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The story of Utah is in reality the story of the search for a promised land where the Mormons could practice their faith unmo-lested.

Probably the first white men to see Utah were Spanish explorers early in the 16th century. But two priests, Escalante and Domineque, are known to have entered along the White River in their search for a direct link between Santa Fe, N. M., and Monterey, Calif. The fur trappers came next and actually opened the land for later settlers. Jim Bridges, of mountain fame, discovered the Great Salt Lake and Jedediah Smith was first to cross the Salt Desert. Fremont and Carson Desert. Fremont and Carson

explored and mapped the territory in 1843-1845.

But it was the Mormons, who had met with religious opposition from New York all across the country, who were the real founders of Utah. After Joseph Smith was murdered in Carthage, Ill., Brigham Young tookover the leadership of the Mormons. He led his followers across the Mississippi and, by way of a "vision," was carried to the Great Salt Lake Valley . . . the promised land. He made the law of the church the law of the land. All lands, water and timber were community owned. He fed the Indians rather than fight them and the Mormons set about build-

ing their domain. This land belonged to Mex-



ico, but at the end of the Mexican War the Guada-loupe Hidalgo Treaty of 1846 gave the territory to the United States. In December of that year Young pressed for state admission rights for what he called Deseret, but in 1850 Congress granted territorial status in the name of Utah. Young was the governor.

Trouble with the government over the Mormon practice of polygamy led to many conflicts. Federal troops were sent to Utah to curb the rebels. The Utah War followed in 1857.

After a compromise was reached and federal troops withdrew, the Mormons ran into trouble with the Indians, who wanted to deal in slave trade. The result was the Ute-Black Hawk War, 1865-1868.

State admission was refused Utah in 1849, 1856, 1862 and 1887 because of the insistence of the practice of polygamy. Finally, in 1890, the Mormons outlawed the practice of plural marriage and Jan. 4, 1896, Utah became the 45th state.

Study, Work, Play Scheduled

ters, each outstanidng in 4-H Club achievement, converge on iticking. Raleigh, Monday, July 26, for the 1965 State 4-H Club Week. Four days of activities on the

North Carolina State University at Raleigh campus will climax another year of work for the

Dr. Carlton Blalock, state 4-H Club leader, said each of the state's 100 counties will be represented. They will throw their youthful enthusiasm into a tight

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schedule of classes, contests, recreation, fellowship and even pol-

"The boys and girls always look forward to Club Week," points out Blalock. "We believe it is a wonderful experience for them and for all of us who are involved in the activities of the week. It is an excellent example of democracy in action.'

Two of the highlights of this year's program are expected to be the keynote addresses by Marilyn Van Derbur of Colorado, a former Miss America and well know television personality, and Arbor W. Gray, supervisor with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington.

Miss Van Derbur will appear ing, speaking to the 4-H'ers on "Goals and Dreams." Gray, a graduate of the Duke Universiyt School of Law and married N. C., will speak Thursday morn-

Another feature of the week will be the appearance of the which will play for the 4-H'ers Monday night during opening

Among the other highlights of the week are the Honor Club tapping ceremony Monday night, the Health Pageant Tuesday night, the Dress Revue Wednes day night and the Parade of Talent Thursday night.

The evening assemblies begin at 7:30 in Reynolds Colise-



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