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NEVADA

NEVADA, LEAST POPULOUS OF THE STATES, WAS FIRST EXPLORED BY FRANCISCAN FRIARS WHO CROSSED THE AREA ON THEIR WAY TO CALIFORNIA IN 1775. A TRADWING POST SET UP BY MORMONS NEAR CARSON RIVER IN 1849 LED TO THE FIRST SETTLEMENT. WITH THE DISCOVERY OF THE COMSTOCK LODE IN 1859, THE POPULATION GREW RAPIDLY. ORGANIZED AS TERRITORY MAR 2, 1861. NEVADA WAS ADMITTED TO THE UNION OCTOBER 31, 1864.





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