The Settling of Bluff

The harrowing expedition that set- tled the San Juan County com- munity of Bluff

One hundred forty-one years ago this month, a hardy group of Mis- sorah settlers founded the town of Bluff, Utah. The party had since become known as the Hole-in- The- Rock Expedition, but had been to present-day San Juan County to establish a religious utopia among the local Indians and open the region to further white settlement.

By November of 1879, the settlers, who came from towns across southern and central Utah, were congre- gating at Forty-Mile Spring just south of Escalante, and immediately realized that they were up against some of the most rugged and forbidding territory in the western United States. The route they planned to follow was supposed to be a “short cut” that would take them directly across the Colorado River, and hop almost 500 miles in 30 days.

Instead, what they encountered was a narrow canyon wall in the canyon wall — nicknamed the Hole-in-The-Rock — that led down to the Colorado River some 3,000 feet below. Opting to take their chances going down the steep route, the expedition blazed, climbed, and shovel ed a path toward the cliff. When they reached the bottom, the settlers realized they only hoped at reaching the river; what they would be to build their road out from the canyon wall. So they paused and sketched in a series of holes they had driven down the rock, and then lower the wagons down the wooden sleds that they had fashioned across the Cliffs.

Of Bluff

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The harrowing expedition that set-tled the San Juan River where it now stands. Arriving in April 1880, it had taken the settlers nearly six months to travel a distance they thought would take only six weeks.

The Virginia Creeper turned a mag- netic hue to delight the eyes of passersby. The Fall colors where water was available for the plants and the trees were spectacular. The oak trees and the maples in particular drew the delight of those who encountered this week’s photo is an example of just one of the many colors to be seen.

Proposed Invasive Plant Management Plan comment period extended

Steven Miller, Great Basin National Park Superintendent, announced that due to the current government shutdown the Invasive Plant Management Plan Environmental Assessment (EA) comment period has been ex-tended until December 11, 2013. Great Basin National Park is pro- posing to implement an Invasive Plant Management Plan throughout the park. The proposed plan is intended to provide guidance for management actions that would be taken to reduce impacts of invasive plants to park eco-systems. This online would help the park meet its management mandates under the NPS Organic Act and con- form with White Pine County, Baker, NV, 89311. Please submit comments no later than December 11, 2013.

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