



1. Fort Caspar Headquarters Buildings
(restored-1930's) Fort Caspar Historic
District.
2. Casper, Wyoming
3. Ned Frost
4. April 3, 1976
5. Wyoming Recreation Commission
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002
6. View is to the west--up the valley of the
North Platte River. Farthest right door
in foreground buildings is entrance to
stage station, pony express station,
telegraph station--in order of historic
use. Two tall stone monuments, almost
in line on extreme right, are the same
two monuments appearing in photograph
number 2.
7. Photograph number 1

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1. Platte Bridge (south abutment and series of piers), Fort Caspar Historic District.
2. Casper, Wyoming
3. John Judge *Natrona Co*
4. April 3, 1976 *Fort Caspar*
5. Wyoming Recreation Commission
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002
6. Photographer stands just to the east of telegraph office, Fort Caspar. His view is to the north, along the line of mounds

which are the remains of crib-work, rock-filled piers that supported Platte Bridge. The tree in picture's center grows out of one of these mounds. Power poles, further back, are set between mounds. Distant buildings, beyond poles, are on opposite side of river. Crossing fence posts mark boundary between Historic District and Izaak Walton Club property. Monument on right is to Platte Bridge built by Louis Guinard 1858-59; monument to left is to

the Mormon Ferry established in June, 1847.

7. Photograph number two.

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1. Platte Bridge Pier, Fort Caspar
Historic District
2. Casper, Wyoming
3. Ned Frost
4. April 3, 1976
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Cheyenne, Wyoming
6. Photographer stands on historic flood
plain of North Platte River, his view
is to the northwest, the background
hills are across the river on its

north side. Rocks in the foreground
have been dug out of the mound, on the
side of which two of them rest while
the third has rolled to the base. The
ground is a former flood plain on which
there is only sandy soil, no rocks
except those placed by Louis Guinard
and his workmen more than a century
gone by.

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7. Photograph number 3



1. Present and historic year, around channel of North Platte River, Fort Caspar Historic District.
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3. Ned Frost *National Co*
4. April 3, 1976
5. Wyoming Recreation Commission
Cheyenne, Wyoming
6. Photographer is standing on south bank of river, the view is to the west--upstream. The young man is standing

on the remains of a key Platte Bridge pier, the one that marked the break between the river's former flood stage plain and its normal and low water stage channel. Presently, due to up river dams and reservoirs, the river's waters never rise out of this channel. Note that the only rocks to be seen along all river banks in view are the ones placed here 118 years ago to form

a Platte Bridge pier.

7. Photograph number 4

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1. North side pier and, beyond, abutment Platte Bridge, Fort Caspar Historic District.
2. Casper, Wyoming
3. John Judge
4. April 3, 1976
5. Wyoming Recreation Commission
Cheyenne, Wyoming
6. Photographer stands on south bank, view is to the north across North Platte River. A large rock protruding

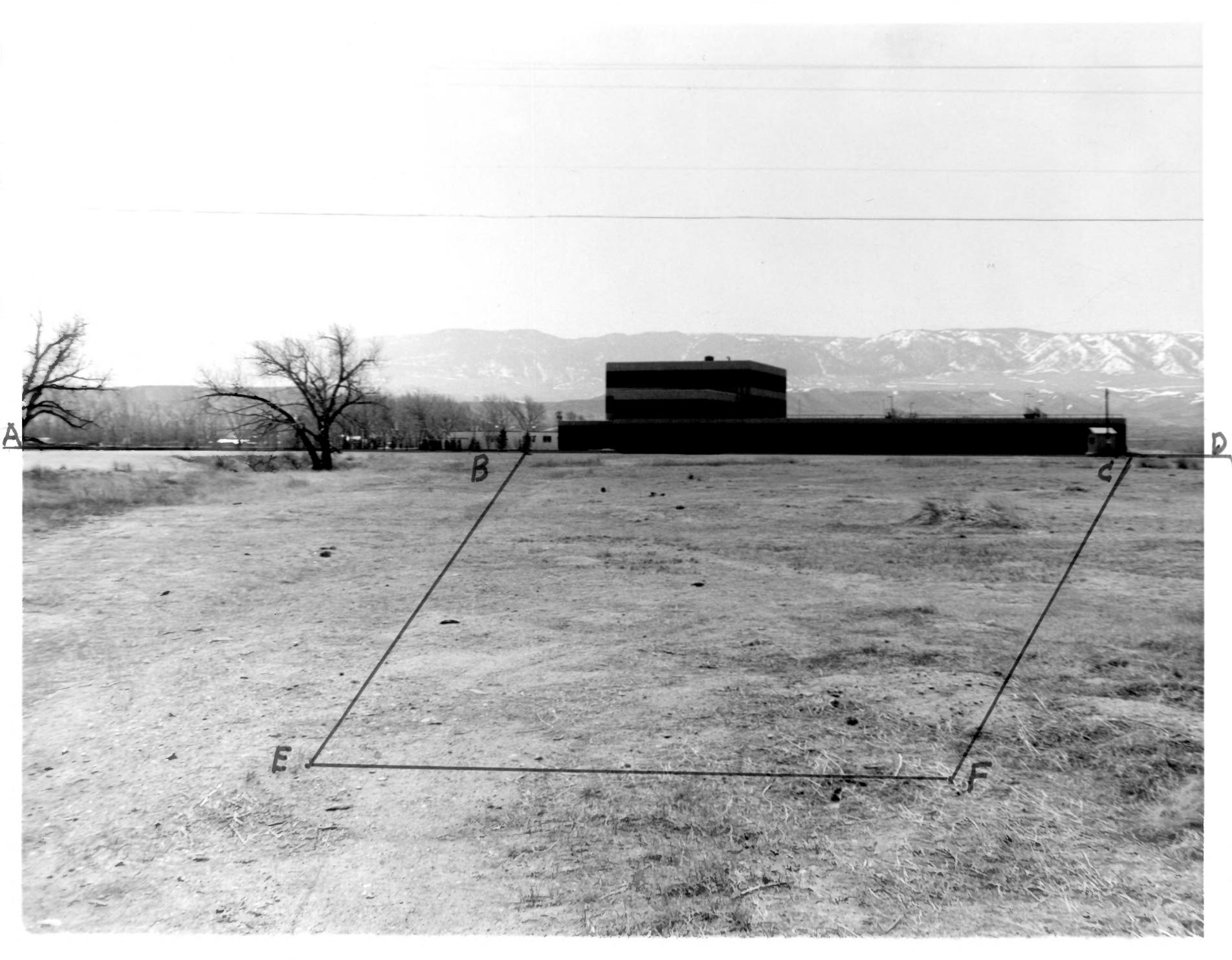
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above the water's surface marks a pier location, possibly the last and most northern of all the Platte Bridge piers. The ground beyond has been disturbed many times but it is easy to see that it rises more steeply than on the south side. There was no flood plain here, hence the bridge's north abutment was probably about where the white pickup truck appears in this

picture.

7. Photograph number 5.

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1. Water Plant Building (Board of Public Utilities), Fort Caspar Historic District.
2. Casper, Wyoming *Fort Caspar*
3. John Judge *Natrona Co.*
4. April 3, 1976
5. Wyoming Recreation Commission
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002
6. Photographer stands approximately 200 yards due south of the Fort Caspar

restored buildings. View is to the south with Casper Mountain in the background. The Water Plant Building is just south of the Historic District's southern boundary. Although distorted, in the photograph, line A-B-C-D represents the present southern boundary; line A-B-E-F-C-D represents the revised boundary stipulated in this nomination. Land in the foreground has been leveled

- by bulldozing with debris pushed into prehistoric river channel on the left.
7. Photograph number 6

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1. North Platte Prehistoric River Channel,
Fort Caspar Historic District.
2. Casper, Wyoming
3. John Judge *Fort Caspar*
4. April 3, 1976 *Natrona Co.*
5. Wyoming Recreation Commission
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002
6. Photographer stands approximately 200
yards south-southeast of the Fort
Casper restored buildings, in the

bottom of the former river channel.
View is to the south with top floors
of Water Plant Building in the middle
distance and Casper Mountain in the
background. White oblong in foreground
is lid to a manhole extending down to a
city water line. Much soil and debris
from razed water plant installations,
including broken pieces of asphalt--
tipped on edge to show in the photo-

graph, have been bulldozed into this
channel by the Board of Public Utili-
ties.

7. Photograph number 7

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1. Privately owned dwellings, Fort Caspar Historic District.
2. Casper, Wyoming
3. John Judge
4. April 3, 1976
5. Wyoming Recreation Commission
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6. Photographer stands approximately 200 to 300 yards south-southwest of Fort Caspar restored buildings. His view

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is to the west-southwest. The two houses farthest to the left and the house and outbuildings on the extreme right all are on small, privately-owned lots within the southwest quarter of the Historic District. The more distant buildings, in the center of the picture, are beyond the Historic District's boundaries. Note the different aspect of the ground from that

in photograph number 6 which has been subjected in recent years to extensive bulldozing.

7. Photograph number 8

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