Spanish explorers searched to find a way
From Santa Fe, New Mexico...on to California at Monterey.
They traveled through Utah with mountain streams so clear,
Impressed with what they saw....
All the natural beauty...that was here.

CHORUS
They explored each new horizon
Kept on going every day
Went through Utah on their way
Didn’t stop and couldn’t stay
In their search for Monterey.

Father Es
calante and Father Dominguez
Led the expedition...they tried to find a way to Monterey.
Kept records and journals ...drew maps of the terrain.
They said of Utah Valley..
It’s the most beautiful...in New Spain.

CHORUS
They loved the lakes and mountains
Fished along the shore, made friends with all the Indians
Continued on once more...to Monterey
But winter came early and stopped them in their tracks
Couldn’t get to Monterey...they had to travel back to Santa Fe,

CHORUS
They explored each new horizon
Kept on going every day
Went through Utah on their way
Couldn’t get to Monterey
And went back to Santa Fe!
THE TWENTY NINE COUNTRIES OF UTAH

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There are twenty-nine counties is Utah State
We are able to name each one.
Learning them all while singing
Is easy and it also fun!
Box Elder, Beaver…start with letter B.
Cache County and Carbon …start with letter C.
Daggett and Davis and Duchesne…start with letter D.
But the county known as Emery…is the only E.

There are twenty-nine counties in Utah State.
There’s Garfield and Grand and more.
Next we come to Iron…named for the iron ore.
Juab and Kane…Millard we all know.
Morgan and Piute, followed then by Rich.
Salt Lake, San Juan, Sanpete and Sevier
Summit and Tooele’s next.
And the county known as Uintah…we’ll add to our list.

There are twenty-nine counties in Utah State
Only five more and we’ll be through.
Utah, Wasatch, Washington
Wayne and Weber too.
All of the counties we have named for you.
Singing the counties is lots of fun to do.
Twenty-nine counties…some big and small
Now…for our favorite one.
The county known as ___(Wasatch)__________
Is the best of all
IRON WHEELS A ROLLIN'

A great event that took place in our history
Was the building of the railroad tracks from sea to shining sea.
The Union Pacific from the East and the Central from the West
Racin’ toward each other to prove which one was best.

Chorus: Iron wheels a rollin’ down the new built track.
Each train kept on goin’ no thought of turnin’ back.
A lot of tired workers layin’ rails along the line
Met at Promontory Point in eighteen sixty-nine.

The goin’ wasn’t easy there were mountains to go through.
With solid rock to blast away.. had to build some bridges, too.
Across the rollin’ prairie they struggled hard each day,
And finally came together . . . was on the 10th of May.

Chorus:

Was quite a celebration . . . what a noise the crowd all made
When they drove the golden spike and the final track was laid.
Transcontinental railroad joined the East and West as one.
With this “wedding of the rails” a new age had begun.

Chorus:

Iron wheels a rollin’ down the new built track.
Each train kept on goin’ no thought of turnin’ back.
A lot of tired workers layin’ rails along the line
Met at Promontory Point in eighteen sixty nine.
They met at Promontory Point in eighteen sixty-nine!
THERE’S NO PLACE LIKE UTAH

There’s no place like the state of Utah
No place I would rather be
The flowing streams and meadows green,
Mountains as far as you can see.
National Parks are here in Utah.
Great scenery we can view
At Capitol Reef and Canyon Lands,
Zion, Bryce, and Arches, too.

Chorus: UTAH . . . there’s no place like Utah!
Life is great in Utah
Just travel through the state and you will see.
UTAH . . . there’s no place like Utah!
Life is great in Utah
It’s the only place . . . the one and only place for me!

We are growing fast in Utah
With new industry.
Firms are moving here to Utah
Bringing lots of new technology.
The work force here in Utah
Take pride in what they do
Well known for high standards
Good schools and teachers too.

Chorus:
There’s no place like the state of Utah
No place I would rather be
The Tabernacle Choir, the Jazz, and the Buzz,
And the Utah Symphony.
In the summer we go camping
Our snow is great to ski.
For sports and recreation
It’s the place I want to be!
TRAPPER SONG
(SHE’LL BE COMIN’ ROUND THE MOUNTAIN)
Oh, we trappers trap for beaver, when we come, YE HAW!
Oh, we trappers trap for beaver, when we come, YE HAW!
Oh, we trappers trap for beaver, when we find ’er we won’t leave her
Oh, we trappers trap for beaver, when we come, YE HAW!

Oh, the traps are very heavy that we set. FIVE POUNDS!
Oh, the traps are very heavy that we set. FIVE POUNDS!
Oh, the traps are very heavy that we set them they are ready,
Oh, the traps are very heavy that we set. FIVE POUNDS!

When we catch the beaver, skin it with a knife. A KNIFE!
When we catch the beaver, skin it with a knife. A KNIFE!
When we catch the beaver, skin it, on a willow frame we’ll pin it.
When we catch the beaver, skin it with a knife. A KNIFE!

We must carry it or cache it when we’re done. All Done!
We must carry it or cache it when we’re done. All Done!
We must carry it or cache it, or we’ll lose it or we’ll trash it.

We must carry it or cache it when we’re done. All Done!
At the Rendezvous we party every year. HURRAH!!!
At the Rendezvous we party every year. HURRAH!!!
At the Rendezvous we party. We are rough and tough and hardy.
At the Rendezvous we party every year. HURRAH
UTAH PIONEERS

Mormon pioneers came across the plains,
Brought what they could carry . . . and came in wagon trains.
They suffered trials, so many hardships too.
And some would die before their journey’s through.

Chorus: Pioneers, pioneers,
We’re grateful for courageous pioneers.
They blazed the trail for others
‘Cross a desolate frontier.
We’re grateful for the Utah pioneers.

Through rugged mountains and desert sand
They pushed forward . . . to their promised land.
The wagons stopped near the Great Salt Lake,
And Brigham Young said that . . . This was the place!

Chorus: The Mormons built a place where they could stay
Safe from the mobs who had chased them away
And soon came other religions too,
Catholics, Protestants, Buddhists, and Jews.

Chorus: Utah pioneers . . . courageous and strong
Left to us a legacy to build upon.
And with hard work they strived to do their best
Making Salt Lake City the crossroads of the West.

CHORUS

Chorus: Pioneers, pioneers,
We’re grateful for courageous pioneers.
They blazed the trail for others
‘Cross a desolate frontier.
We’re grateful for the Utah pioneers.
Utah Indians

When white men came to Utah, the Indian tribes were here.
They gathered seeds from grasses, caught fish and hunted deer.
*Lived in wicki-ups and tepees, caves and hogans too.
They made pots and baskets, each had a job to do.

The Utes, Paiutes, and Goshutes, Shoshones, Navajos.
The Indian tribes of Utah that lived here long ago.
Throughout the mountain valleys, they lived and hunted game.
The Ute tribe is where Utah got its name.

The Goshutes lived on desert land, ate food of every kind.
Some insects and rabbits, whatever they could find.
The other Indians planted crops which helped keep them alive.
A lot of beans and corn was eaten by the tribe.

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The Indian tribes of Utah worshipped diff’rent things.
The air, the wind, the thunder, and even lightning.
Believed in a Great Spirit to whom the tribe would pray,
For strength to over come the trials they faced each day.

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The Indian tribes of Utah that lived here long ago.
Throughout the mountain valleys, they lived and hunted game.
The Ute tribe is where Utah got its name.
UTAH…This is the Place!
Utah! People working together
Utah! What a great place to be.
Blessed from Heaven above.
It's the land that we love.
This is the place!

Utah! With its mountains and valleys.
Utah! With its canyons and streams.
You can go anywhere.
But there's none that compare.
This is the place!

It was Brigham Young who led the pioneers across the plains.
They suffered with the trials they had to face.
With faith they kept on going till they reached the Great Salt Lake
Here they heard the words..."THIS IS THE PLACE!"

Utah! With its focus on family,
Utah! Helps each child to succeed.
People care how they live.
Each has so much to give.
This is the place!

Utah! Getting bigger and better.
Utah! Always leading the way.
New technology's here...
Growing faster each year.
This is the place!

There is beauty in the snow-capped mountains, in the lakes and streams.
There are valleys filled with farms and orchards too.
The spirit of its people shows in everything they do.
Utah is the place where dreams come true.

Utah! With its pioneer spirit.
Utah! What a great legacy!
Blessed from Heaven above.
It's the land that we love.
This is the place

Utah! Utah! Utah!
THIS IS THE PLACE!