STATE OF WYOMING



Edward X. Burham

Secretary of State, Keeper of the Great Seal

Power of the Seal

The Secretary of State is the Custodian of the Great Seal. The signature of the Governor, the certifying signature of the Secretary of State, and the impression of the Great Seal represent the authority and sovereignty of the State of Wyoming.

Pioneer Spirit

The male figures typify the livestock and mining industries of the State - one dressed as a Cowboy and another a Miner.

- Symbols of Suffrage

The woman in the center holds a banner proclaiming "Equal Rights," symbolizing Wyoming as the first government to recognize the equal civil and political rights of women.

Victory for Women

Standing upon the pedestal is the draped figure of a woman modelled after the statue "Victory of the Louvre." From her wrists hang broken chains, suggesting the Women's early adoption of Women's Suffrage.

Pillar Industries -

On top of the pillars rest lamps from which burn the Light of Knowledge. Scrolls encircling the two pillars bear the words "Oil," "Mines," "Livestock," and "Grain," four of Wyoming's major industries.

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Wyoming is 44th

The two dates on the Great Seal, 1869 and 1890, commemorate the organization of the territorial government and Wyoming's admission into the Union. Upon a five-pointed star the number "44" appears, being the number of admission into the Union.