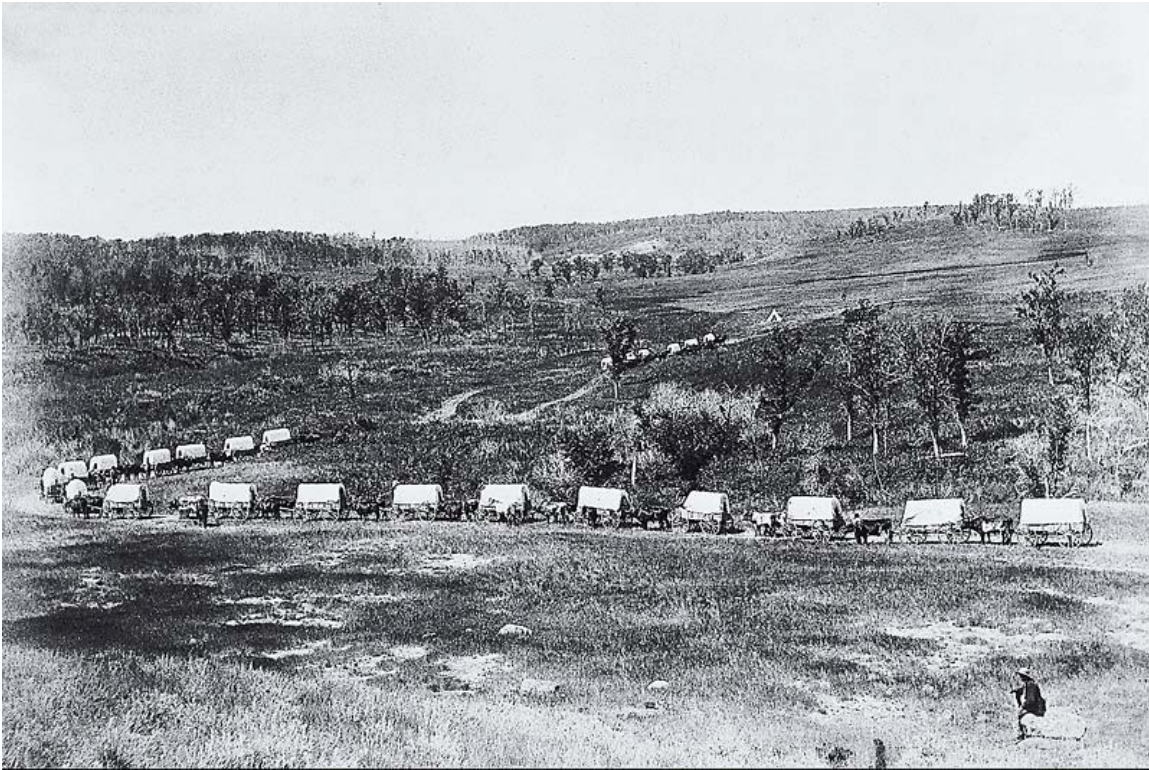




On this day in 1862 the Homestead Act was signed into law by President Lincoln. This act provided farmers to purchase land at a discounted price, hoping to encourage people to move West. Would you have taken part in the Homestead Act and moved your family West? Why or why not?