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ROCKY FORD, May 6. — (AP) — Old Fort Bent, fur-trading post established in the first exploration of the Louisiana Purchase, will be restored completely.

Edgar C. McMechen, curator of the Colorado State museum, announced the restoration plans to Otero County Historical Society members.

Fort Bent is one of the most important historical projects in Colorado, Mr. McMechen said. In pioneer days, mule trains were dispatched from the fort, and the Missouri mule was actually developed there. RIM News 5/7/53