

**Gauguin, Where do we come from? What are we?
Where are we going?**

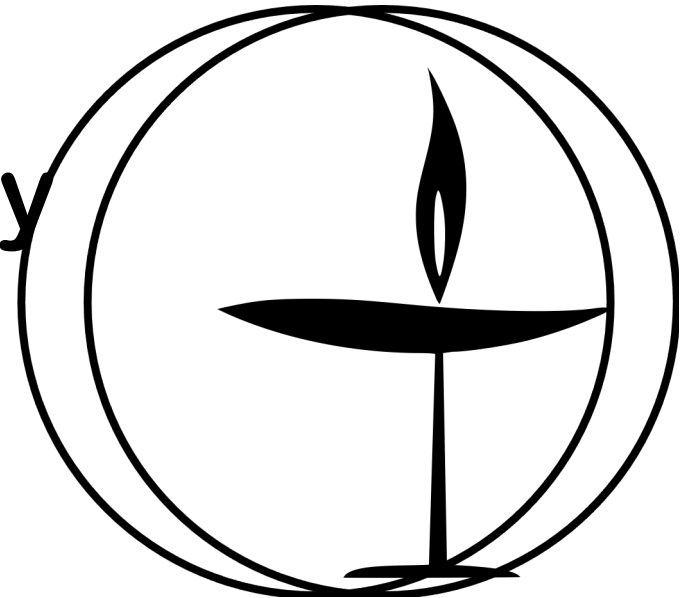


1897-98 Oil on Canvas (12 feet across!)



Where Do We Come From?

1. History, Archaeology, & Anthropology
2. Geology, Paleontology, Earth History
3. Planetary Evolution, Cosmology





**How Deep
is the Past?**





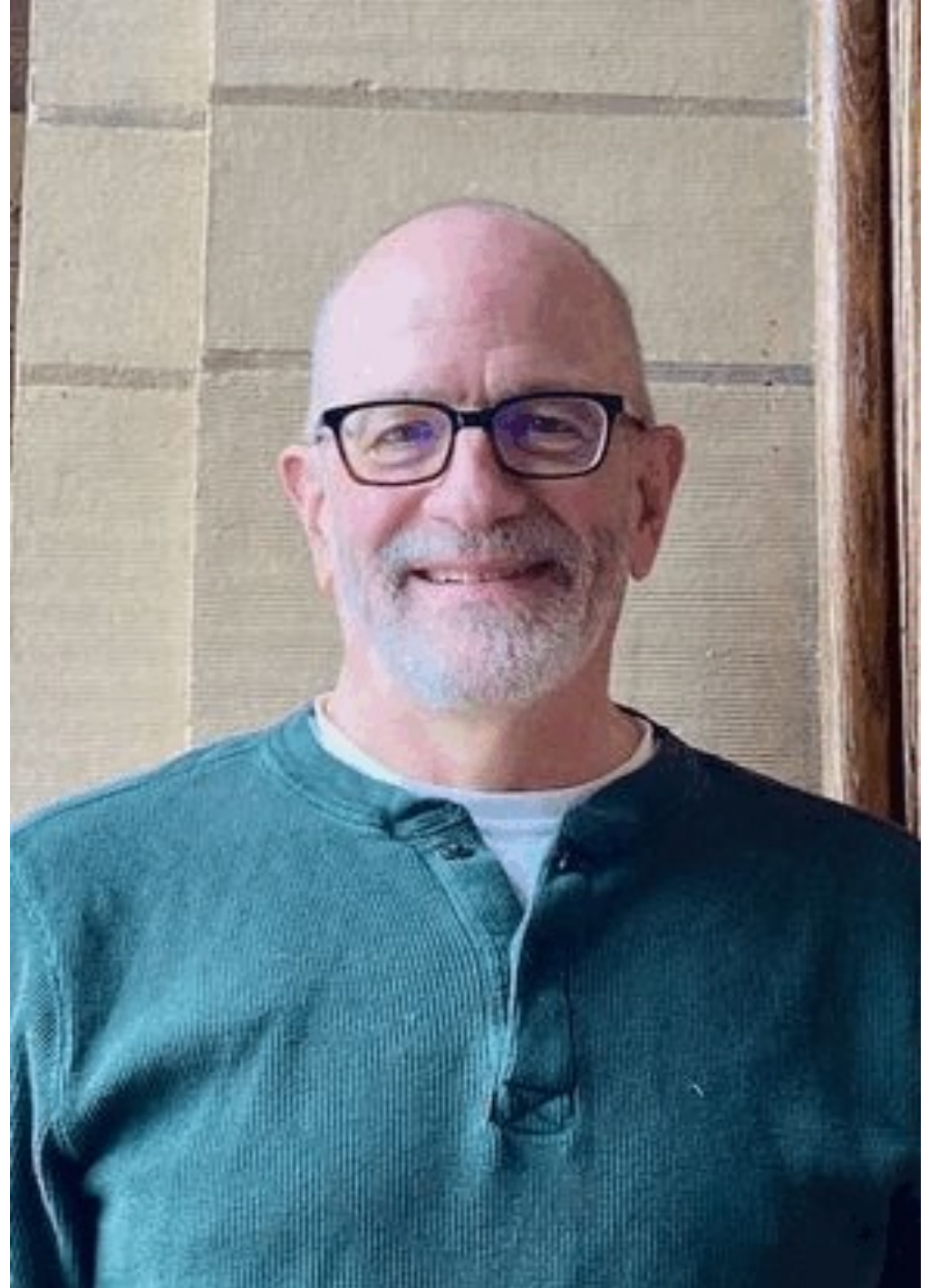


well

that

was

quick!





Five Generations

How Deep is the Past?

- 5 Generations ~ a century ...
 - 1 billion people on Earth
 - Roaring 20's
 - Flappers
 - Cars & trucks
 - Indoor plumbing
 - Electric lighting



How Deep is the Past?

- 5 Generations ~ a century ...
- 50 generations ~ a millennium ...
 - 250 million people on Earth
 - High middle ages
 - Kings & knights & castles
 - Peasants
 - Plagues



How Deep is the Past?

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- **500 generations ~ 100 centuries**
 - 1 million people on Earth
 - Neolithic tools
 - Early agriculture and first villages
 - Most people had no crops or livestock followed game & gathered plants



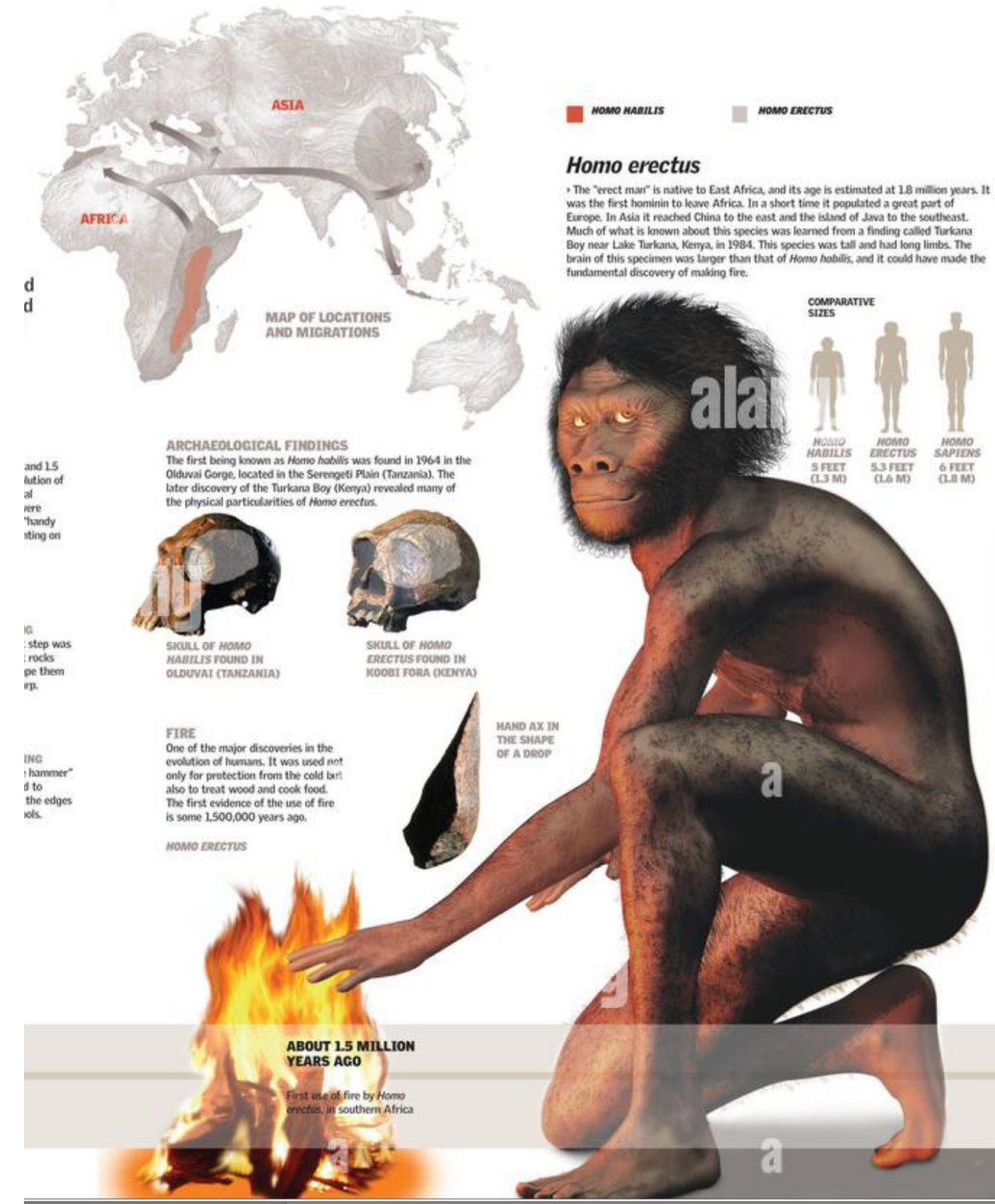
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- 5 Generations ~ a century ...
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- **5000 generations ~ 100k years**
 - At least 5 “species” of *Homo!*
 - sapiens, neanderthal, denisovan, luziensis, floriensis
 - Paleolithic tools
 - Language? Symbols?



How Deep is the Past?

- 5 Generations ~ a century ...
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- 5,000 generations ~ 100 millennia
- **50,000 generations ~ 1 million years**
 - Homo erectus
 - Discovery of cooking!
 - Outsourcing of digestion!
 - Reliable hunting



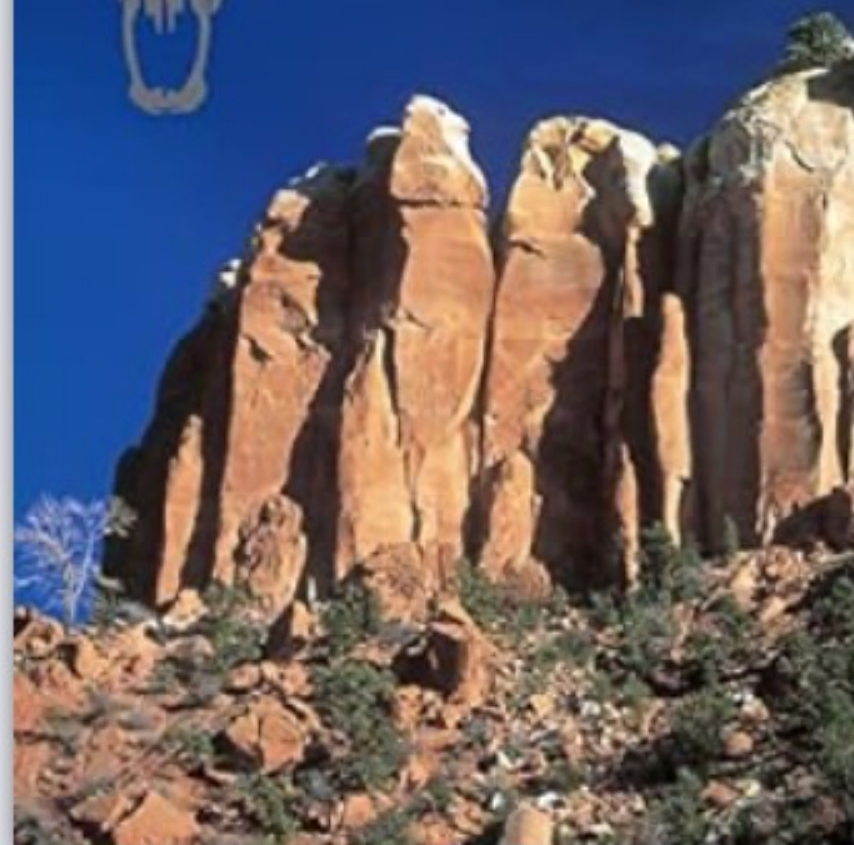
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THE STORY OF ABIQUIU



Lesley Poling-Kempes



Ghost Ranch
LESLEY POLING-KEMPES

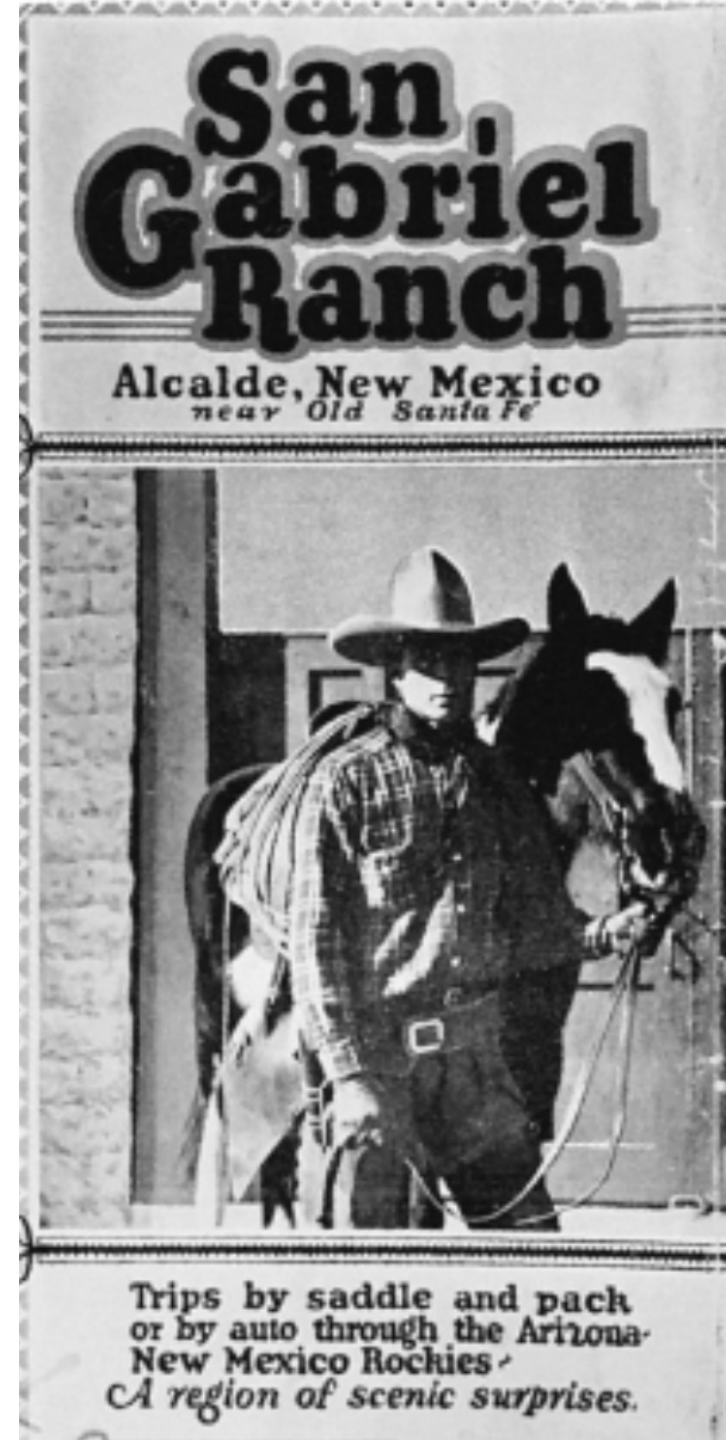


Archuleta Brothers at Yeso Homestead

- Late 1800s, two Archuleta brothers set up a homestead at the *Rito del Yeso* as a base for cattle and horse rustling
- Area developed a reputation for people disappearing, never to be seen again!
- They cultivated the legend of giant 30-foot rattlesnake *Vivaron* to scare outsiders away
- One killed the other, then was hanged by locals on the ranch
- Homestead came to be known as *Rancho de los Brujos*

Dude Ranches & Rich Tourists

- **Early 20th Century Americans wanted the West to be wild**
- Expats from Boston, New York, Chicago came to reinvent themselves among unfamiliar landscapes & cultures
- Centuries of multicultural interaction & tolerance in the SW encouraged them to pursue their muse, explore partnerships in & out of marriage, broaden their sexual identities
- Rich owners with lots of wealthy buddies



Early Ghost Ranch Characters

- Richard Pfaeffle & Carol Stanley
- Jack Lambert & Orville Cox
- Arthur Pack
- Robert Wood Johnson
- Gordon McAlpin
- Godfrey Rockefeller
- Georgia O'Keefe
- Ansel Adams
- Cary Grant





Driver/guide Orville Cox took San Gabriel, and later Ghost Ranch, guests on auto excursions into the outback in the 1920s and 1930s. Here Cox and a San Gabriel touring car are being pulled out of the Rio Grande, c. 1921.



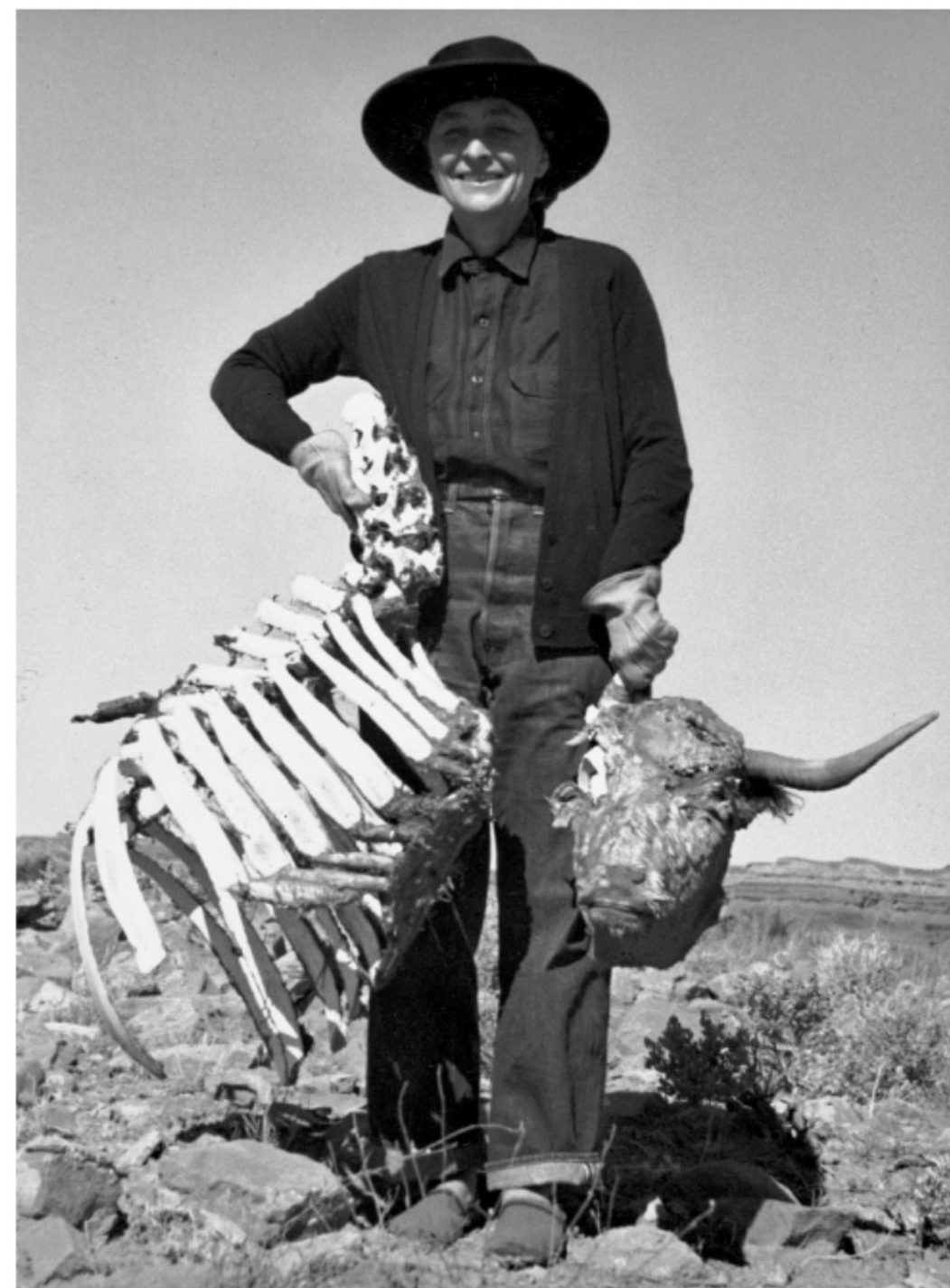
Arthur N. Pack in front of his Fairchild airplane with a relocated baby antelope at Ghost Ranch in 1934.



Stanley's crews built the three adobe cottages in the foreground and the headquarters building in the distance. The house to the upper right was built by Arthur Pack and became his home after he left Rancho de los Burros. (Roger H. White, 1935)



O'Keeffe painting *Gerald's Tree* in a car at Ghost Ranch. Photograph by Ansel Adams, 1937.

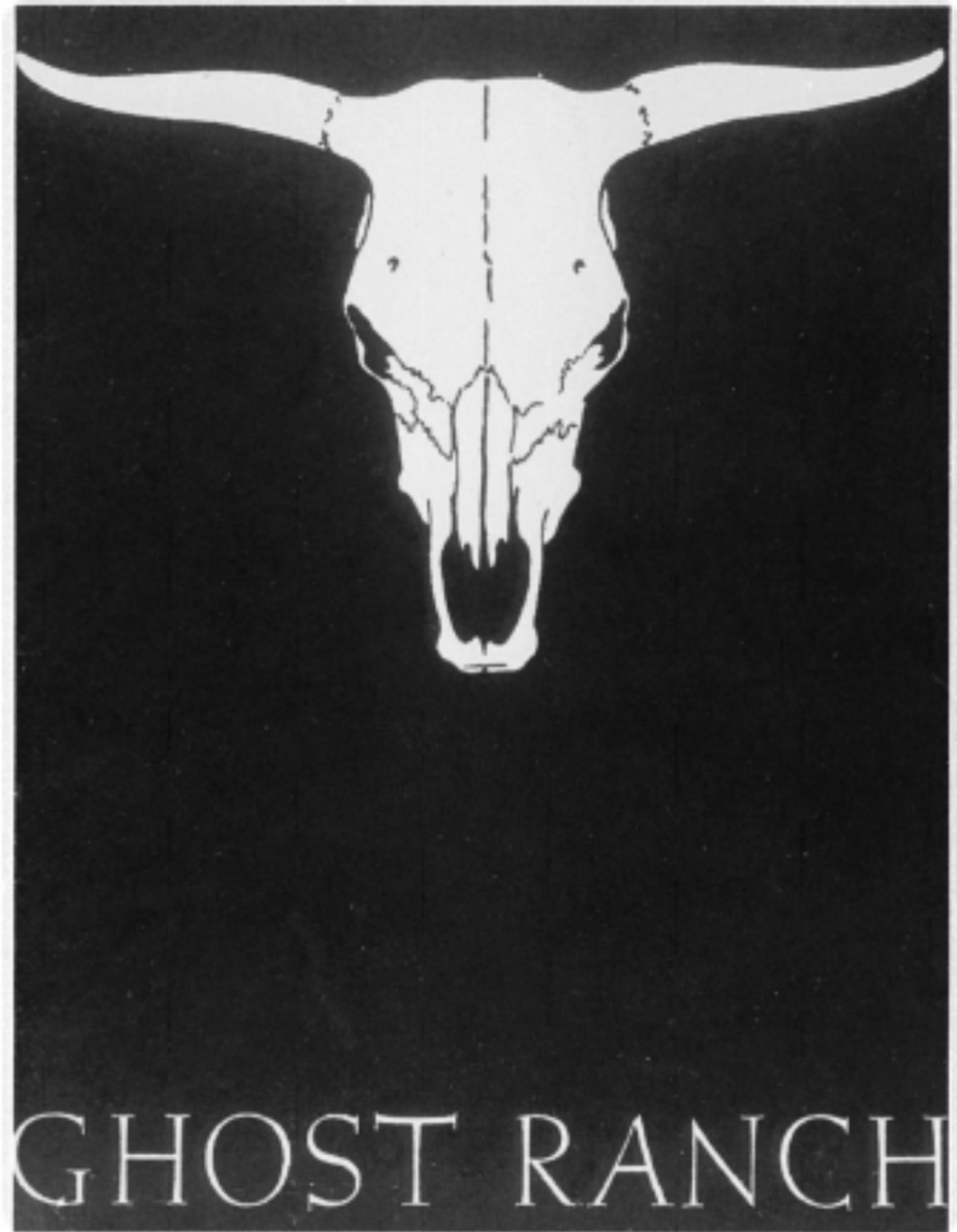




Orville Cox and Georgia O'Keeffe at Canyon de Chelly. Photograph by Ansel Adams, 1937.



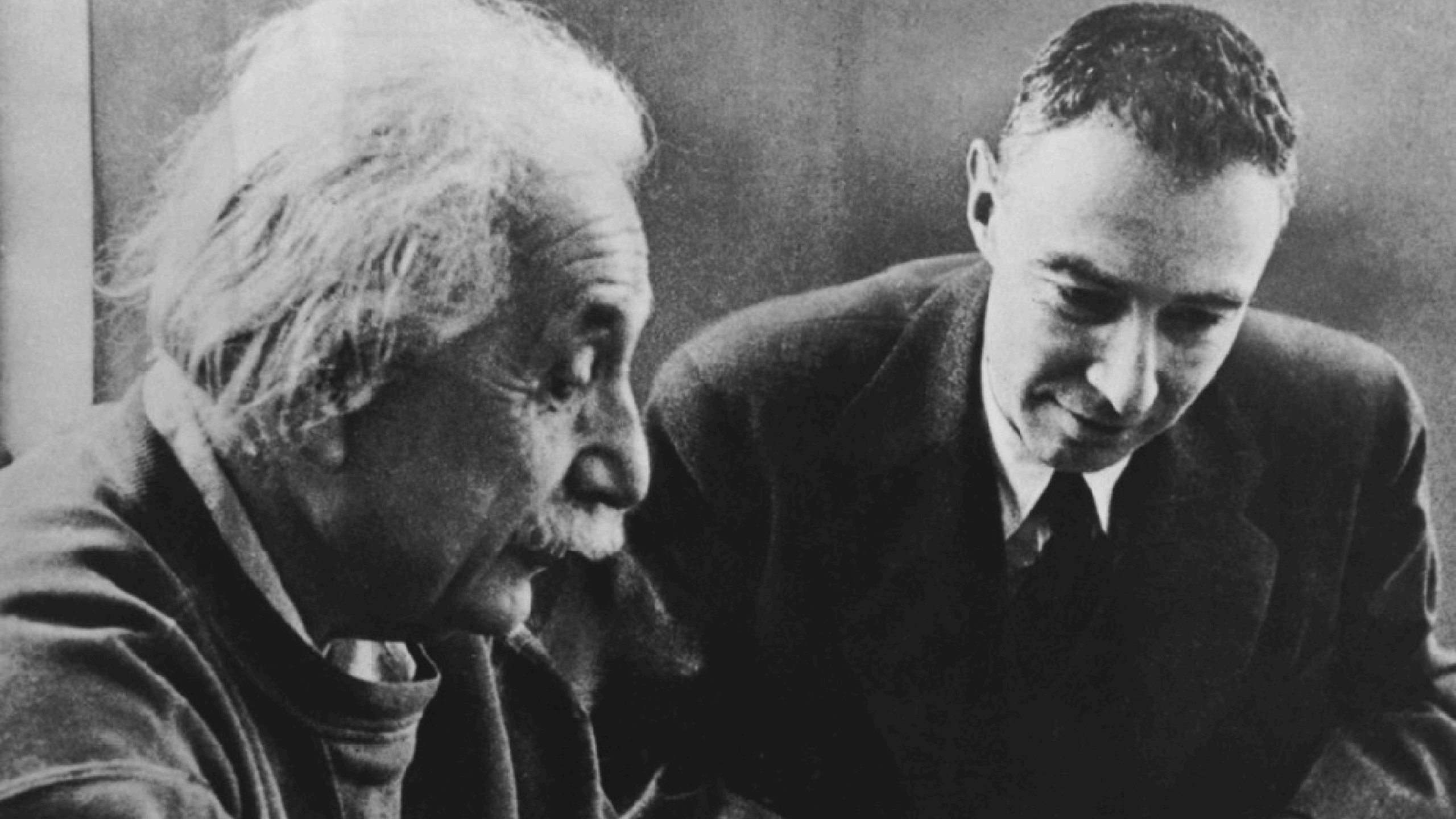
The Ghost Ranch ox skull and sign marking road to the ranch. Photograph by Ansel Adams, 1937.



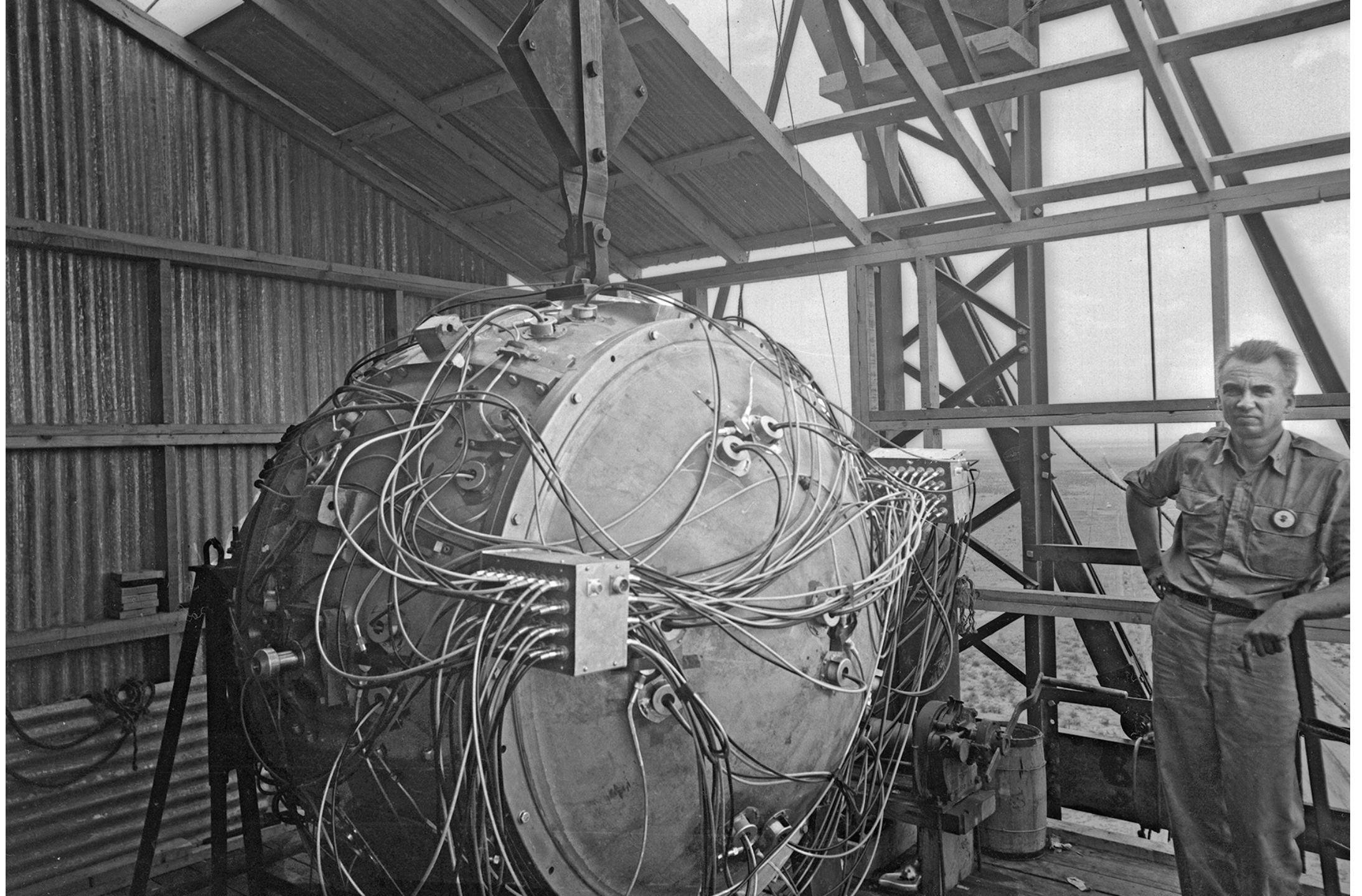


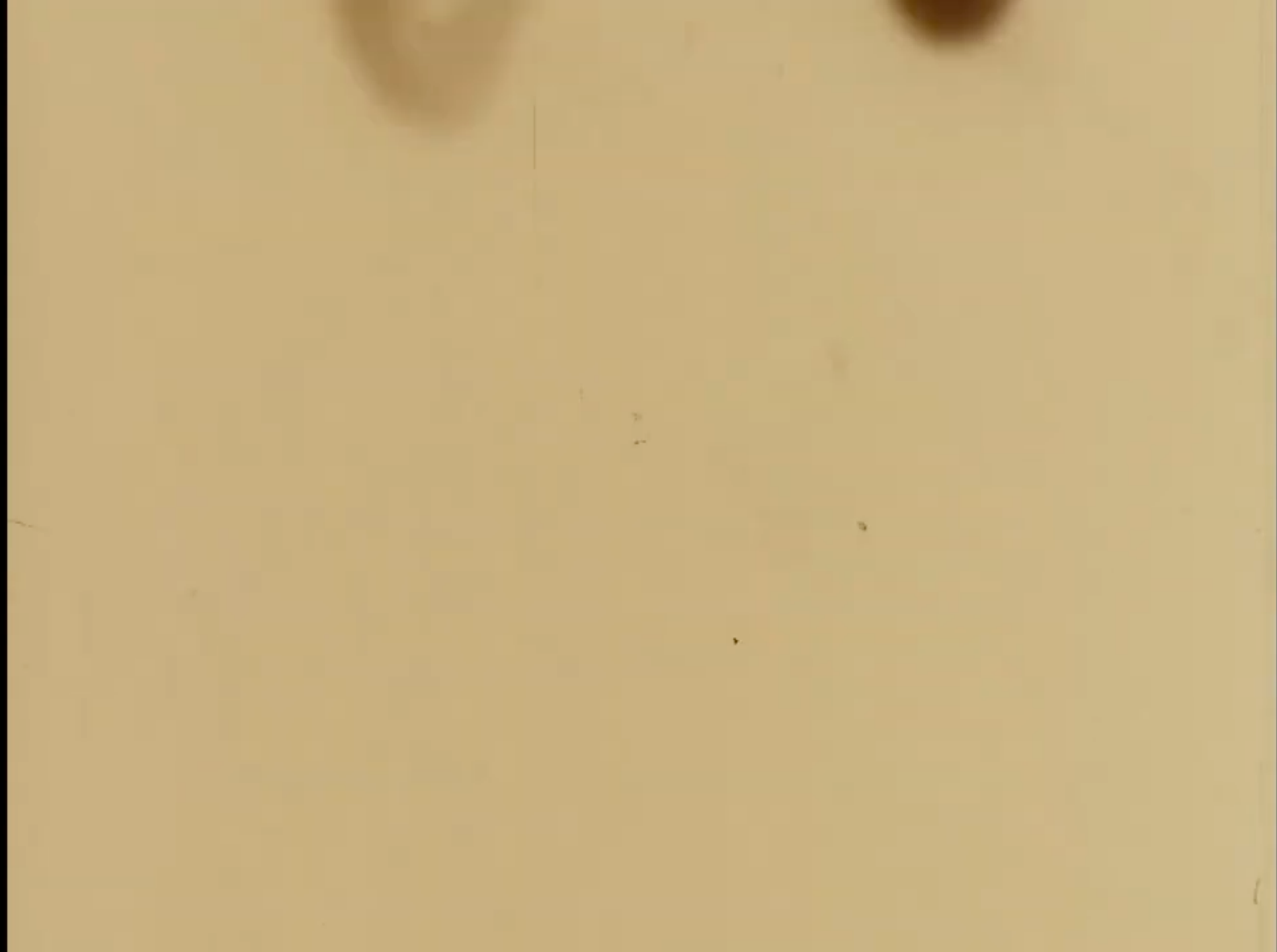












From Pack to Presbyterians

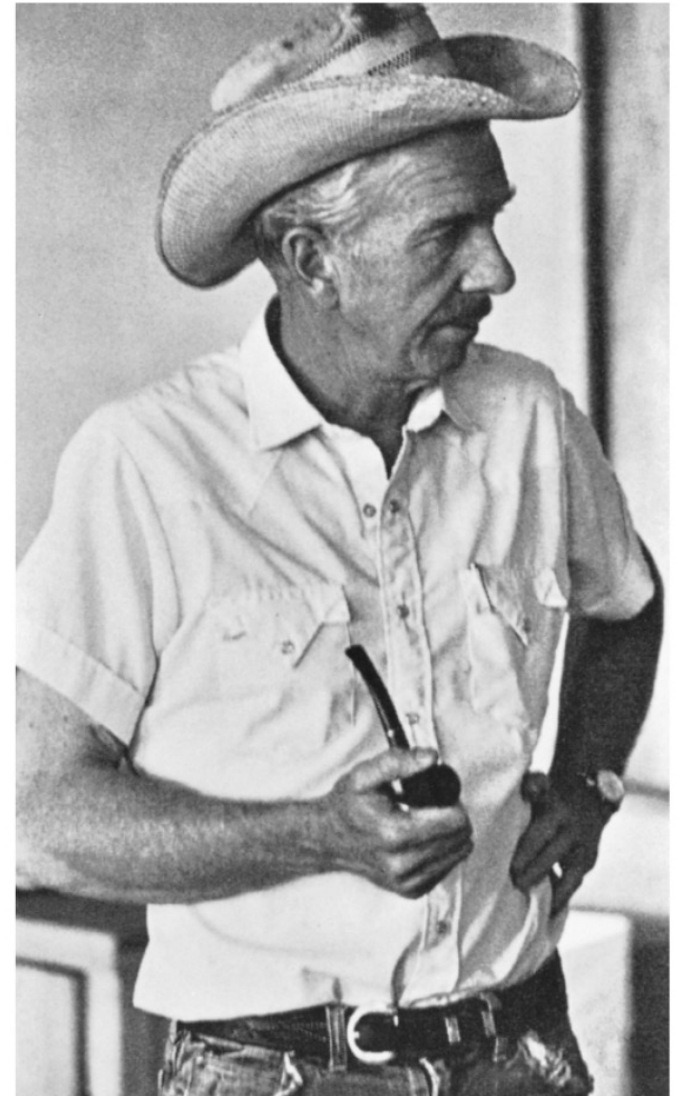


Phoebe & Arthur Pack

Pack moved to Tucson in 1946 & founded the Desert Museum

Sold Ghost Ranch to the Presbyterian Church in 1955

O'Keefe was furious!



Rev Jim Hall

Rev Hall & the Revolucion

- 1966: armed uprising to reclaim Spanish Land Grants threatened Ghost Ranch
- Arrested ranger & police at Echo Amphitheater!
- Tanks & machine guns put the rebellion down
- Rev Jim Hall opened the ranch to livestock, funded schools & health clinics, broadened programming



Great Land Trade



The Great Land Trade at Ghost Ranch in April 1976.

- **Museum for the USDA Forest Service**
- **Clear title for dozens of families whose ancestors were granted land by the Spanish Crown**