



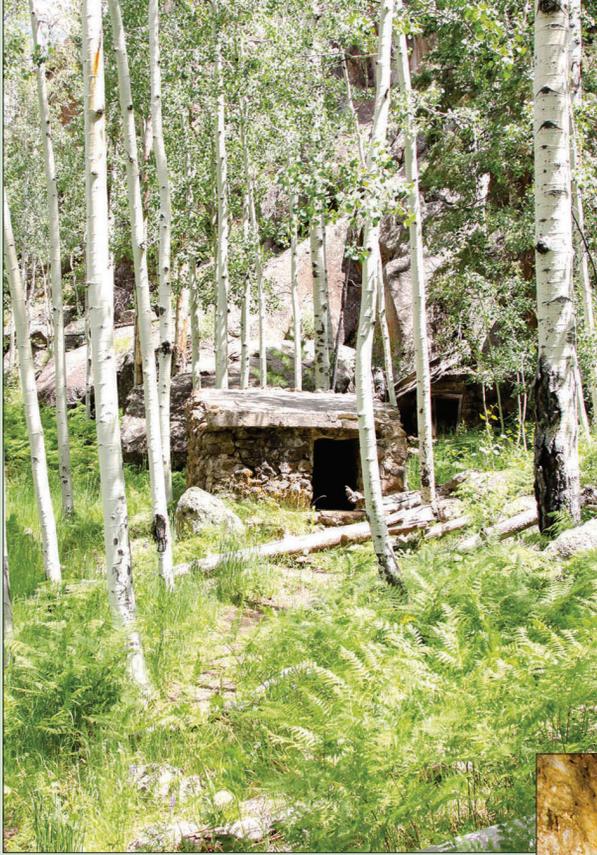
Pivot Rock, a cave spring extends back about 65 feet into a limestone formation.

a toll and despite signed requests that the cave be treated with respect, the vandalism continued.

The water flowed from the rock face into a channel that led to Oak Creek. The water from Oak Creek was once channeled to homesteads and orchards in the late 1800's. In the early 1900s, George Babbitt Jr. built a home with a large pool near the cave's entrance. While he remained a bachelor throughout his life, he enjoyed allowing family and local residents to swim in the pool and explore the creek flowing through his property.

Another cave spring emerges near Pivot Rock in a narrow canyon south of Winslow. The cave entrance seems to open as a mouth cut into the hillside, sheltered by a protruding rock lip. This cave could be part of a karst system and is responsive to snow melt and precipitation. At times only a trickle can be found along the cave floor. Those few who crawl into the cave report the passage narrowing to a point where one can not proceed further. The passage is reported to split with an upper chamber that forms a balcony overlooking the passage below.

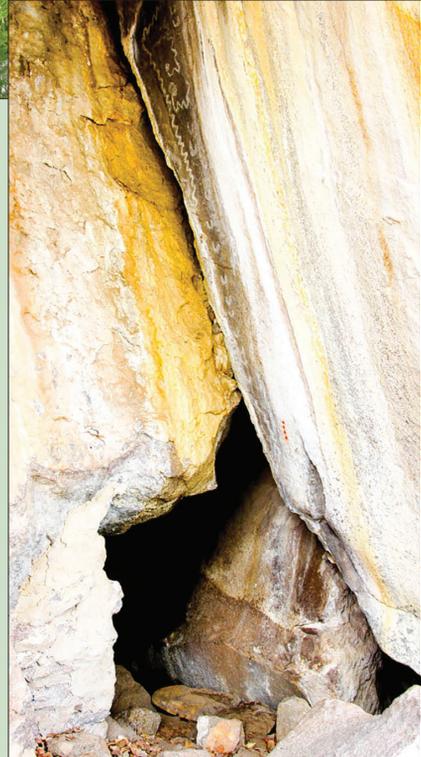
The *gushet spring* as its name indicates gushes from fracture in a rock cliff. Some of Arizona's largest and most remote springs are gushet springs. The volume and force of the water from a gushet tends to indicate that the spring is supported by a large aquifer and in some cases the aquifer may be under pressure between



Veit spring, is found on west side of the San Francisco Peaks, emerging from a basalt cliff above a deep bed of volcanic cinders. Petroglyphs appear on the cliff face created by a pre-historic people. A wavy line over the entrance seems to indicate 'Here is water.'

The spring was homesteaded by George Veit, a German emigrant. His cabin has been moved but two spring houses remain over channels below the spring. A small tank may have once provided water for the herds of sheep.

Much higher on the slopes, Basque sheep herders favored Philomena, a hillside spring above the treeline. The spring was named after the wife of one of the Babbitt brothers, merchants who sold supplies to the sheepherders. The Basque built large wooden tubs nestled in the aspen grove to store and release water into a wooden trough for their sheep. Those with a good set of lungs can climb to both springs. Looking carefully, visitors may find one of the wood tubs. Please leave this piece of northland history as you found it.



A petroglyph with wavy lines seems to indicate a source of water below.