Oct. 27, 1838

*This Date in Missouri Senate History*

On *This Date in Missouri Senate History*, the date was Oct. 27, 1838, the day Gov. Lilburn Boggs issued Executive Order 44 — also known as the “Extermination Order” — which ordered Mormons out of the state, or “exterminated,” if necessary.

But, before this happened, violence had become common between Mormons and others in the Show-Me State. Earlier in 1836, the Missouri General Assembly created Caldwell County, which sought to create a “reservation” for Mormons…as it were. It didn’t take long before more fighting would happen.

Over the next several months, the Legislature would take more of a roll in what became known as the “Missouri Mormon War,” including dispatching the Missouri Militia and forming the Joint Committee on the Mormon Investigation.

But, it all started with the “Extermination Order,” issued on Oct. 27, 1838, on *This Date in Missouri Senate History*.

(Sources: Secretary of State’s Web site)