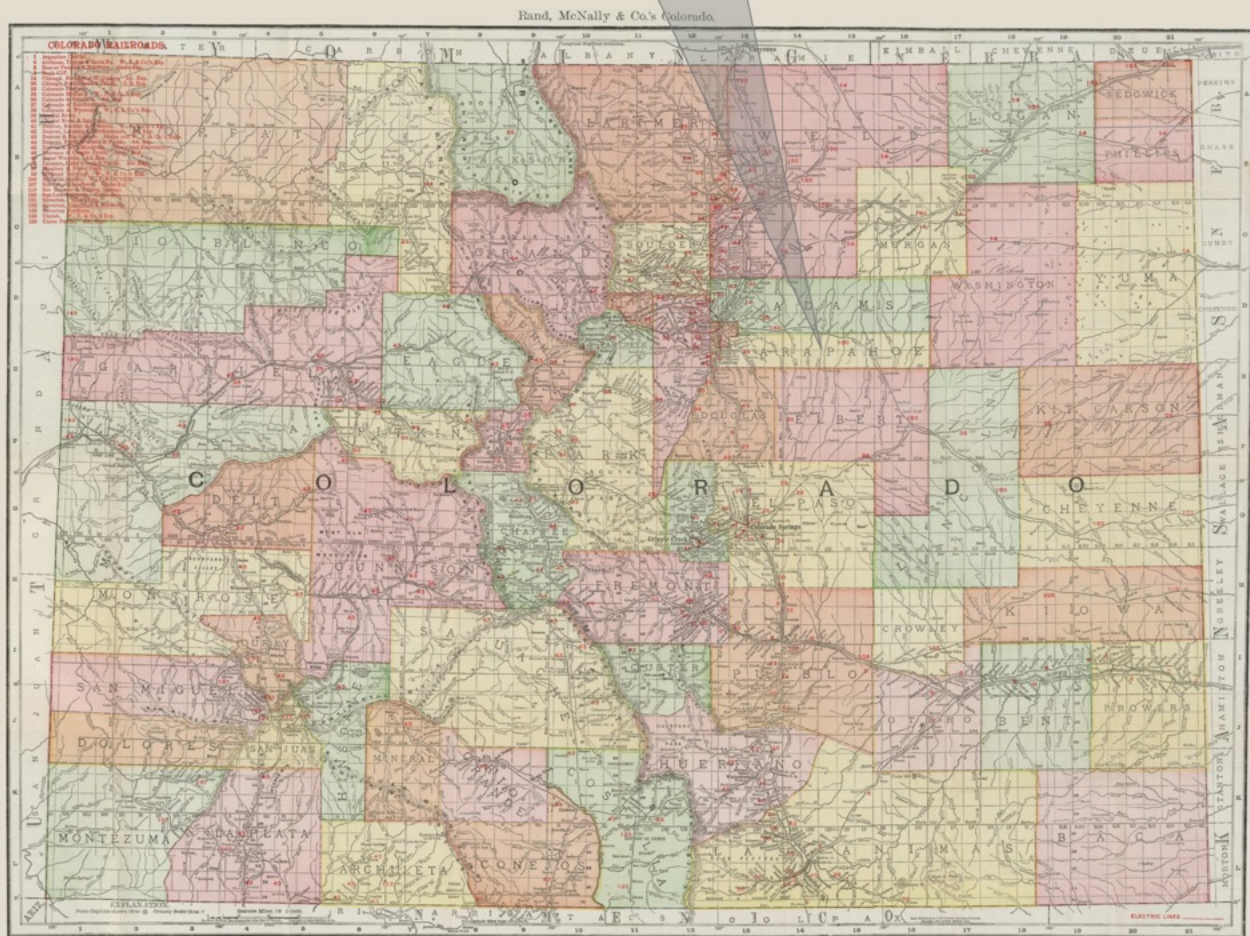


Arapahoe County



Map courtesy of <http://www.davidrumsey.com>

Established: November 1, 1861

County Seat: Littleton

ARAPAHOE COUNTY

By William H. Bauer

The name of Arapahoe County has appeared on maps since even before Colorado Territory came into existence. The western portion of Kansas Territory was divided into a few counties, one of which was named Arapahoe. It is rather doubtful that there was any real administrative jurisdiction as the residents created "Jefferson Territory" in order to provide a more receptive and on the scene government for the new mining region.

That original "county" spanned Kansas Territory from north to south and from the foothills of the Front Range eastward well out on to the plains.

Arapahoe County was one of the original seventeen counties created November 1, 1861 by the Colorado Territorial Legislature. It was a narrow east-west rectangle, bounded on the north by the Fortieth Parallel and reaching eastward to the boundary with Kansas. Included in the western portion was the city of Denver, which was the county seat. That configuration continued into the twentieth century.

On April 15, 1901 a number of changes occurred that reduced Arapahoe County to its present boundaries. The eastern portion was cut off and divided between Yuma and Washington counties. The western portion became the City and County of Denver.

The remainder of the county was split along an east-west line (East Colfax Avenue and its eastward projection). The portion north of the line became Adams County. The portion south of the line was briefly called "South Arapahoe" County and Littleton was designated as the county seat.

Modern Arapahoe County is only twelve miles from north to south, but stretches east-west for seventy-two miles.

Today, Arapahoe County is bounded on the north by Adams County, on the east by Washington County and on the south by Elbert and Douglas counties. The western boundary with the City and County of Denver is highly irregular, having been dictated by the boundaries of the cities of Aurora, Englewood and Littleton.

Topographically, Arapahoe County varies from nearly level, to rolling hills typical of the Colorado prairies. Drainage is entirely northward to the South Platte River by means of numerous seasonal or intermittent streams. The more important streams are Dry, Boxelder, Kiowa, Comanche, Bijou, Deer Trail and Beaver Creeks.

Early travel in the county was confined to the South Platte Valley. In 1870 The Kansas Pacific Railroad entered the county from the south following the Bijou Creek drainage for a distance before turning west towards Denver along what is now the northern boundary of the county. That route also became a path for wagon traffic and in the twentieth century for US Highway 40 and for Interstate 70.

The Denver and Rio Grande and the Santa Fe Railroads cross the extreme western end of the county on the way from Denver south towards Colorado Springs. The Denver and New Orleans (later the Denver & Fort Worth and finally as the Colorado and Southern Railroad) ran southeastward from Denver towards Parker in Douglas County and beyond. That railroad was removed during the 1930's.

US Highway 36, for the most part, follows along the boundary with Adams County until it merges with Interstate 70 at Byers. On the western end, US Highway 85 took traffic from Denver south towards Colorado Springs. More recently, Interstate 25 has become the major arterial highway to the south.

The western portion of Arapahoe County is virtually indistinguishable from Denver and as such has an extensive network of roads and city streets. The eastern two-thirds of the county is still rural in nature and although there is a county road network, it is not as extensive as in other eastern Colorado counties.

From the early days the economy of Arapahoe County has had a dual focus. The western end was oriented towards the City of Denver, serving as residential suburbs and to some extent as a site for industry and commerce. The future of this section of the county will continue to be heavily influenced by the actions of Denver - the big brother to the north.

The eastern two-thirds of the county has been and continues to be mostly agricultural. There is some farming, but raising livestock is the principal endeavor. There were few "communities" in this area but only ones along the railroad (and subsequently US-40 and I-70) achieved any permanence. The situation is gradually changing. Metropolitan Denver and its suburbs continue a slow eastward advance. How far that will proceed will most likely be determined by the availability of water to feed suburban homes, lawns and golf courses.

BEAVER CREEK

With the exception of the information from the Post Office Department records I have found no reference to a place named Beaver Creek in Arapahoe County.

Beaver Creek took its name from the nearby stream of that name. The surrounding countryside is primarily grazing land with some farming. It seems obvious that this was no more than a short-lived ranch post office. Today, this area of eastern Arapahoe County is very sparsely populated.

To observe the site, or at least the area in which the Post Office Department Geographic Site Location Report places Beaver Creek, begin in Deer Trail on Interstate 70. From Deer Trail, east of I-70, drive a short distance north to Arapahoe County Road 34 (Jolly Road) and turn east. Go east eleven miles to a "T" intersection and turn south. At that point, maps show the roads wandering northeast and southeast from the intersection. However, the road to the southeast may have been realigned.

The location of the Beaver Creek Post Office was three miles east and two miles south of the intersection. Driving south on the road, there is a long-distance and wide view across the broad valley of Beaver Creek (the stream). There is an apparently modern ranch complex out in the valley, but no obvious direct access to it and it is some distance north of the supposed location of Beaver Creek.

Chronology of the Post Office

Feb 9 1915	---	SE/4 Sec 20 T5S R57W 1 mile west of Beaver Creek
		Applicant for postmaster - Edward E. Brown
Feb 9 1915		Established
Feb 9 1915		Mitchell, William M.
Feb 15 1916		Discontinued Mail to Deertrail

Confirmed types of postal markings

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM BEAVER CREEK

BYERS

The establishment in 1868 of Byers is attributed to Oliver P. Wiggins, a former scout. The settlement was originally named "Bijou," a reference to its location on West Bijou Creek. In 1870 the Kansas Pacific Railroad laid track through the area and Bijou became a station on the railroad.

In 1873 a post office opened, with Oliver P. Wiggins as the postmaster. One report claims that Mr. Wiggins helped William N. Byers produce the first edition of *The Rocky Mountain News* and named the post office in gratitude to Mr. Byers.

In addition to being editor of *The Rocky Mountain News*, William Byers was the general manager in Colorado for the National Land Company, the agency for the sale of Kansas Pacific and Denver Pacific railroad land. It seems more logical that Byers himself was responsible for the naming of the post office.

May 2, 1889 John Fetzer and L. McDonner filed a town plat for Byers.

BYERS - Continued

As a station on the railroad, Byers served surrounding ranches and farms as a shipping point and a source of supplies. It continues to serve that function in addition to providing services to travelers on US Highways 40 and 287 and now Interstate 70.

Byers is a small community with some small businesses and a slowly growing residential population. At present, some thirty-five miles east of Denver at Exit 316 from I-70, it is on the margins of the metropolitan growth.

Sometime between my visits in 1990 and 1996 the post office moved from a small brick building in the town to a larger, more modern building just south of the exit from the Interstate.

Latitude = 39:42:41 North Longitude = 104:13:38 West

Chronology of the Post Office

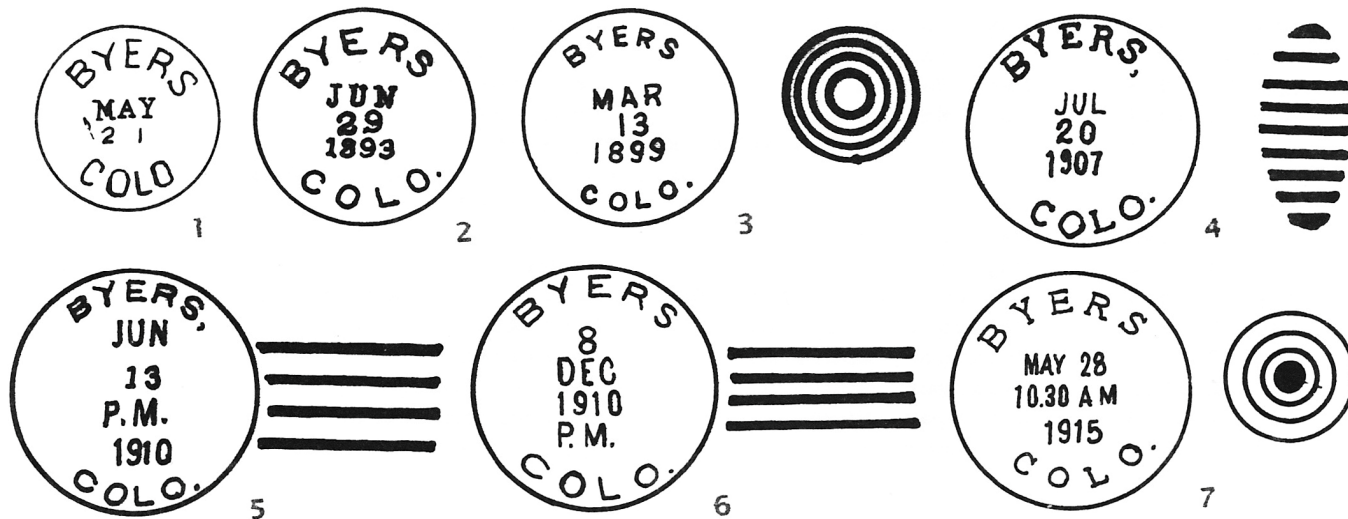
Feb 27 1873	Established	
Feb 27 1873	Wiggins, Oliver P.	
Mar 5 1884	Boggs, Merritt D.	
Oct 20 1885	McDonnell, Leonard	
Feb 2 1888	Williams, Charles	
Oct 9 1889	McDonnell, Leonard	
Sep 22 1892	Kershaw, John R.	
Aug 27 1897	Snow, George A.	
May 21 1899 ---	SE/4 Sec 8 T4S R61W 200 feet south of the railroad	
	Proposed postmaster - Moses N. Jones	
Oct 19 1912	Parmenter, Hal	
Mar 7 1914 ---	NW/4 Sec 16 T4S R61W 1/2 mile east of West Bijou Creek, 450 feet south of the Union Pacific	
Oct 8 1914	Burton, Robert W.	
Nov 17 1919	Milhoan, Grace A.	
Feb 24 1922	Parmenter, Hal	P&S [Apptd by President & confirmed by Senate]
Aug 2 1923	McCaslin, Herbert D.	
May 5 1925	McCaslin, Nancy N.	Acting
May 29 1925	Parmenter, Hal	Acting
Dec 14 1925	Parmenter, Hal	Appointed
JSan 10 1927	--- NW/4 Sec 16 T4S R61W 1/2 mile east of West Bijou Creek. 420 feet south of the Union Pacific tracks	
Dec 16 1929	Parmeter, Hal	
Aug 7 1933	Marshall, William F.	Acting
Aug 10 1933	Marshall, William F.	Assumed charge
Mar 24 1934	Day, Walton T.	Nominated
Apr 9 1934	Day, Walton T.	Appointed
May 2 1934	Day, Walton T.	Commissioned
May 10 1934	Day, Walton T.	Assumed Charge
Apr 11 1938	Day, Walton T.	Nominated
Apr 25 1938	Day, Walton T.	Confirmed
Apr 29 1938	Day, Walton T.	Appointed Presidential
May 13 1938	Day, Walton T.	Commissioned
Oct 20 1941 ---	NW/4 Sec 16 T4S R61W Front Street West Bijou creek 1/2 mile northwest of post office	
Jul 13 1942	Day, Walton T.	Nominated
Jul 30 1942	Day, Walton T.	Confirmed
Jul 31 1942	Day, Walton T.	Appointed Presidential
Aug 24 1942	Day, Walton T.	Commissioned
May 31 1958	Kelley, Mrs. Carrie May	Acting
May 19 1959	Stringer, Ancil R.	Nominated
Aug 27 1959	Stringer, Ancil R.	Confirmed
Aug 31 1959	Stringer, Ancil R.	Appointed Presidential

BYERS - Continued

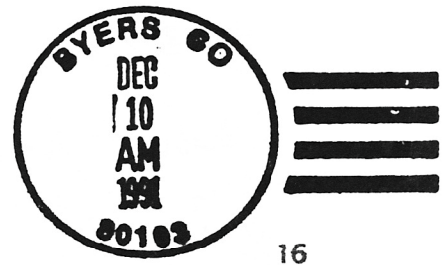
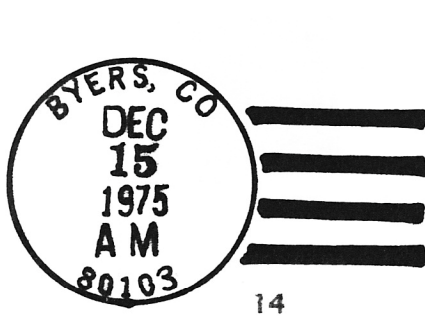
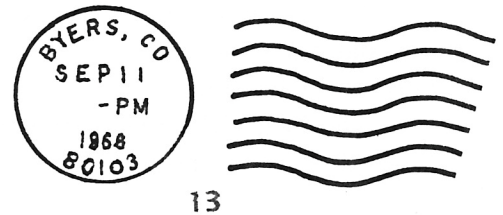
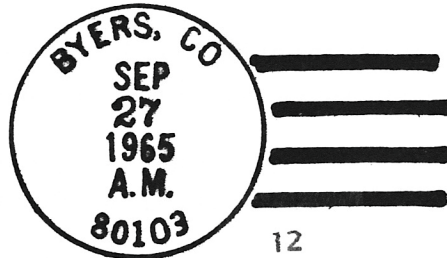
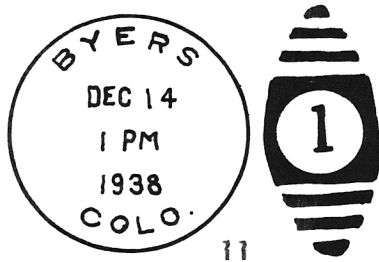
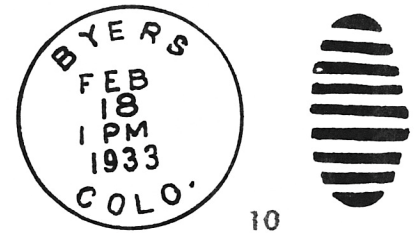
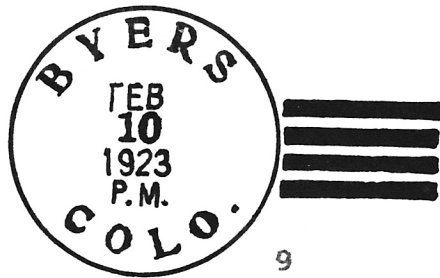
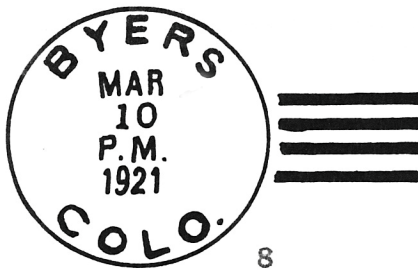
Sep 22 1959	Stringer, Ancil R.	Commissioned
Oct 2 1959	Stringer, Ancil R.	Assumed charge
Jun 1 1973	Stringer, Mary	Officer in charge
Nov 10 1973	Stringer, Mary	Appointed

Confirmed types of postal markings

1	BYERS / COLO CI 10P 24.0	Hstp Cork, smudge	Dec 27 1875 May 21 1880
2	BYERS / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Hstp Not recorded	Jan 6 1890 Jul 26 1896
3	BYERS / COLO. CI 10P 27.5	Hstp Target, 4-ring	17mm Mar 13 1899
4	BYERS, / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Hstp Grid, 9 bar oval	Jul 20 1907 Jan 3 1909
5	BYERS, / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-23x14mm, letters close together	Jun 13 1910 Jul 19 1910
6	BYERS / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-23x14mm, letters wide apart	Dec 8 1910 Aug 4 1912
7	BYERS / COLO. CI 10P 31.0	Hstp Target, 4-ring	17mm Apr ?? 1913 Dec 23 1915
8	BYERS / COLO. CI 10P 34.0	4bars S-19x11mm	Mar 10 1921
9	BYERS / COLO. CI 10P 35.0	4bars P-23x13mm	Feb 10 1923
10	BYERS / COLO. CI 10P 29.0	Dplx Grid, 9 bar oval	Feb 18 1933 Feb 12 1936
11	BYERS / COLO. CI 10P 31.0	Dplx Grid, oval with 1	Mar 23 1938 Apr 15 1965
12	BYERS, CO / 80103 CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-25x20mm	Jun 5 1965 Apr 12 1969
13	BYERS, CO / 80103 CI 10P 23.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	Feb 14 1968 Sep 11 1970
14	BYERS, CO / 80103 CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-24x20mm	Dec 15 1975
15	BYERS, CO / 80103 CI 10P 39.5	4bars S-16x20mm, self-inking, AM-PM boxes	Feb 19 1991 Dec 10 1991
16	BYERS CO / 80103 CI 10P 34.0	4bars S-20x16mm, self-inking	Dec 10 1991
17	BYERS CO 80103 // #1 / USPS CI 11P 30.0/20.0	Hstp No killer	Apr 14 1992



BYERS – Continued



CARY

Cary was a ranch post office that operated briefly on Coal Creek east of Denver. I have found no information about Cary in the Colorado historical references I have studied. The Post Office Department records permit me to assign it a location, but provide no clue as to the source of the name.

The location of Cary, east of the rapidly expanding Denver Metroplex, gives me caution in providing directions to the site as roads in the area can rapidly appear or disappear as development progresses eastward from Denver and Aurora.

From Interstate 225, on the east side of Aurora, exit on to East 6th Avenue (Colorado Highway 30) and go east. Highway 30 passes north of Buckley Field and then turns southeast along Sand Creek. Continue south to East Quincy Avenue and turn east. The site of Cary was on the north side of East Quincy Avenue, five miles east of Highway 30 within, what at one time and perhaps still is, a military reservation.

In 1998 there was a large cluster of trees that obviously had been planted to serve as a windbreak, but there are no remaining structures.

CARY - Continued**Chronology of the Post Office**

Feb 20 1888 --- SE/4 Sec 2 T5S R65W 1/4 mile east of Coal Creek
Proposed postmaster - Mrs. Elizabeth Pineau

Apr 23 1888 Established
Apr 23 1888 Pineau, Elizabeth
Feb 28 1890 Discontinued Mail to Watkins

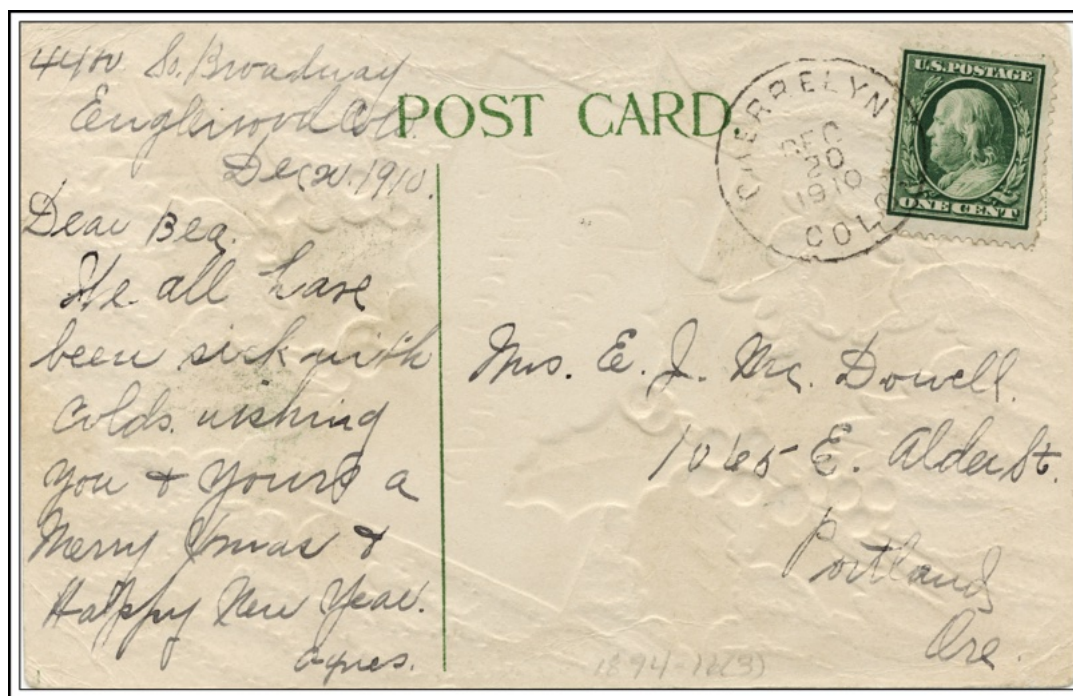
Confirmed types of postal markings

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM CARY

CHERRELYN

Cherrelyn was one of the southern suburbs of Denver. It occupied an area east of the South Platte River and along Santa Fe Drive and South Broadway. Eventually it was incorporated into the larger suburb of Englewood.

The Post Office Department Geographic Site Location Report indicates that the suggested name for the office was "Breene." That suggestion was rejected and the office became Cherrelyn.



CHERRELYN, / COLO. December 20, 1910

The area that comprised Cherrelyn was and still is a mixture of commercial, industrial and residential sections. The industrial section is generally along the river and the railroads. The commercial sections are along Santa Fe Drive and South Broadway. The residential section is largely to the east of South Broadway.

From 1894 to 1916 the Cherrelyn Post Office operated as an independent post office. In 1916 the post office was closed but was replaced by Station Number 41 of Denver. This seems somewhat unusual, as Cherrelyn was not within the boundaries of the City and County of Denver.

CHERRELYN - Continued

The location of Station Number 41, at 4297 South Broadway is in close agreement with the location of the independent Cherrelyn Post Office. This would be on the northwest corner of the intersection of South Broadway and Quincy Avenue. That area is commercial and has undergone repeated redevelopment as businesses have changed or grown in size.

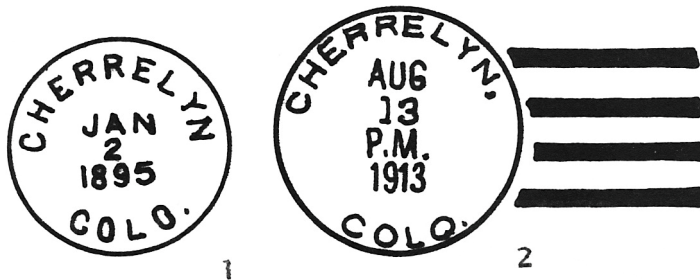
Although there is no longer a Cherrelyn Post Office the name has continued to be used by residents to designate their section of the city of Englewood.

Chronology of the Post Office

- May 16 1894 --- NE/4 Sec 10 T5S R68W
Proposed postmaster - Robert Hubbard
The sketch map shows the location as the NW/4 NW/4 of Sec 10
- Jun 6 1894 Established
- Jun 6 1894 Dunn, Anne
- Jan 28 1916 Ordered closed
- Feb 29 1916 Discontinued Replaced by Station #41 of Denver

Confirmed types of postal markings

- 1 CHERRELYN / COLO. Jan 2 1895 Dec 20 1910
CI 10P 28.0 Hstp Target known without killer
- 2 CHERRELYN, / COLO. Aug 13 1913 Dec 30 1915
CI 10P 32.0 4bars S-24x20mm



CHERRY CREEK

This place was originally called Twelve-Mile House, so known for its location on the Smoky Hill Stage Road, twelve miles from Denver. John G. Melvin came to Colorado in July 1859. In 1864 he purchased the 320-acre Twelve Mile Ranch on Cherry Creek and developed a saloon and inn that became a popular stop on the stagecoach route.

In 1881 the Denver and New Orleans Railroad began construction and by November the tracks had reached the vicinity of Twelve Mile House. From then on the history of Cherry Creek and Twelve Mile House become involved with the railroad, the railroad station and the subsequent post office named Melvin. Please refer to the discussion of Melvin for a description of this relationship.

The Twelve Mile House and Cherry Creek were on the east side of the stream of that name. The two sites of the Cherry Creek Post Office are now within the basin of the Cherry Creek Reservoir.

From the location of Melvin, continue east a short distance on Belleview Avenue to Jordan Road which turns to the southeast. The sites of the Cherry Creek Post Office would be about a mile and a half from Belleview Avenue and to the east of Jordan Road. Because they are within the reservoir basin, no structures remain. In 1998, Jordan Road was blocked and we could not continue south around the end of the reservoir and east to Parker Road. It is possible that something is visible from the south or the east.

It should be noted that the Post Office Department records are unclear as to the end of activity at the Cherry Creek Post Office.

**CHERRY CREEK - Continued
Chronology of the Post Office**

Jul 12 1869	---	SW/4 Sec 18 T5S R66W On east side of Cherry Creek. Document signed by John C. Melvin
Jul 26 1869		Established
Jul 26 1869		Melvin, John G.
Feb 16 1871	---	SE/4 Sec 18 T5S R66W On the east side of Cherry Creek. Sketch map indicates it to be at or near Twelve Mile House.
May 17 1880		Young, James W.
Aug 30 1880		Melvin, John G.
ca. 1886		Last appointment Aug 30, 1880 Noted as discontinued but no date given Last listed in the 1886 Postal Guide

Confirmed types of postal markings

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM CHERRY CREEK

DEER TRAIL / DEERTRAIL

Deer Trail is another town whose origin is attributed to the “frontier scout” Oliver P. Wiggins. He is claimed to also be the founder of Byers in Arapahoe County and of Wiggins in Morgan County. He must have been a busy man who found it hard to settle down in one place.

It is claimed that Oliver Wiggins named the settlement for the deer that came to drink from East Bijou Creek.



Street scene, Deer Trail, Colorado

Photograph by James L. Ozment

October 1, 1998

DEER TRAIL - Continued

Deer Trail is located on East Bijou Creek. It was established when the Kansas Pacific Railroad built through the area on the way to Denver. There is some evidence that there was a settlement there prior to the arrival of the railroad as it was on the cattle trail from Texas to Wyoming and Montana.

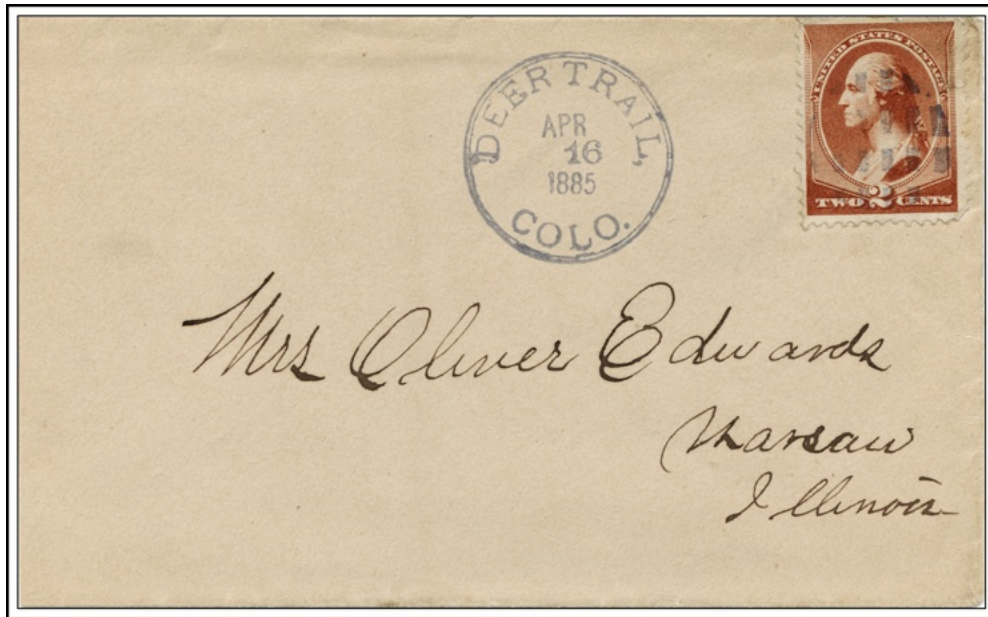
Deer Trail claims to have been the site of the World's First Rodeo, held July 4, 1869. That event supports the existence of Deer Trail prior to the arrival of the railroad.

On November 29, 1875 the Kansas Pacific Railroad filed a plat for the town of Deer Trail.

Deer Trail did develop into a small town with a modest business district and a residential section. It was a shipping point for livestock and grain from surrounding ranches and farms. It still serves those purposes although the business district has diminished in size.

During the Cold War period of the mid twentieth century Deer Trail enjoyed a boom period as it became the residence and supply point for the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Martin-Marietta Company and dozens of sub-contractors who were engaged in constructing the Titan Intercontinental Missile complex that spread out over the prairie northeast of Deer Trail.

Exit 328 from Interstate 70 gives access to Deer Trail.



DEER TRAIL, / COLO. April 16, 1885

Chronology of the Post Office

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|-----------------|---|
| May 22 1875 --- | SE/4 Sec 13 T5S R60W On the Kansas Pacific Railroad, east side
250 feet Deer Trail Station |
| Jun 3 1875 | Established |
| Jun 3 1875 | Duke, Thomas G. |
| Sep 7 1875 | Minshall, Samuel B. |
| Apr 28 1876 | Watkins, Jonathan E. |
| Jan 24 1877 | Birchard, William H. |
| Sep 22 1882 | Payne, William P. |
| Oct 22 1883 | Egbert, William H. |
| Apr 24 1884 | Brearley, Harvey C. |
| Apr 2 1887 | Finley, Caroline |
| Jun 10 1889 | Clark, C. S. |
| Jul 3 1889 | Ellis, Herbert O. |
| May 22 1890 | Patterson, David |
| Sep 22 1892 | Roberts, Louis D. |
| May 17 1894 | Spelling changed to Deertrail |
| May 17 1894 | Roberts, V. Fannie |

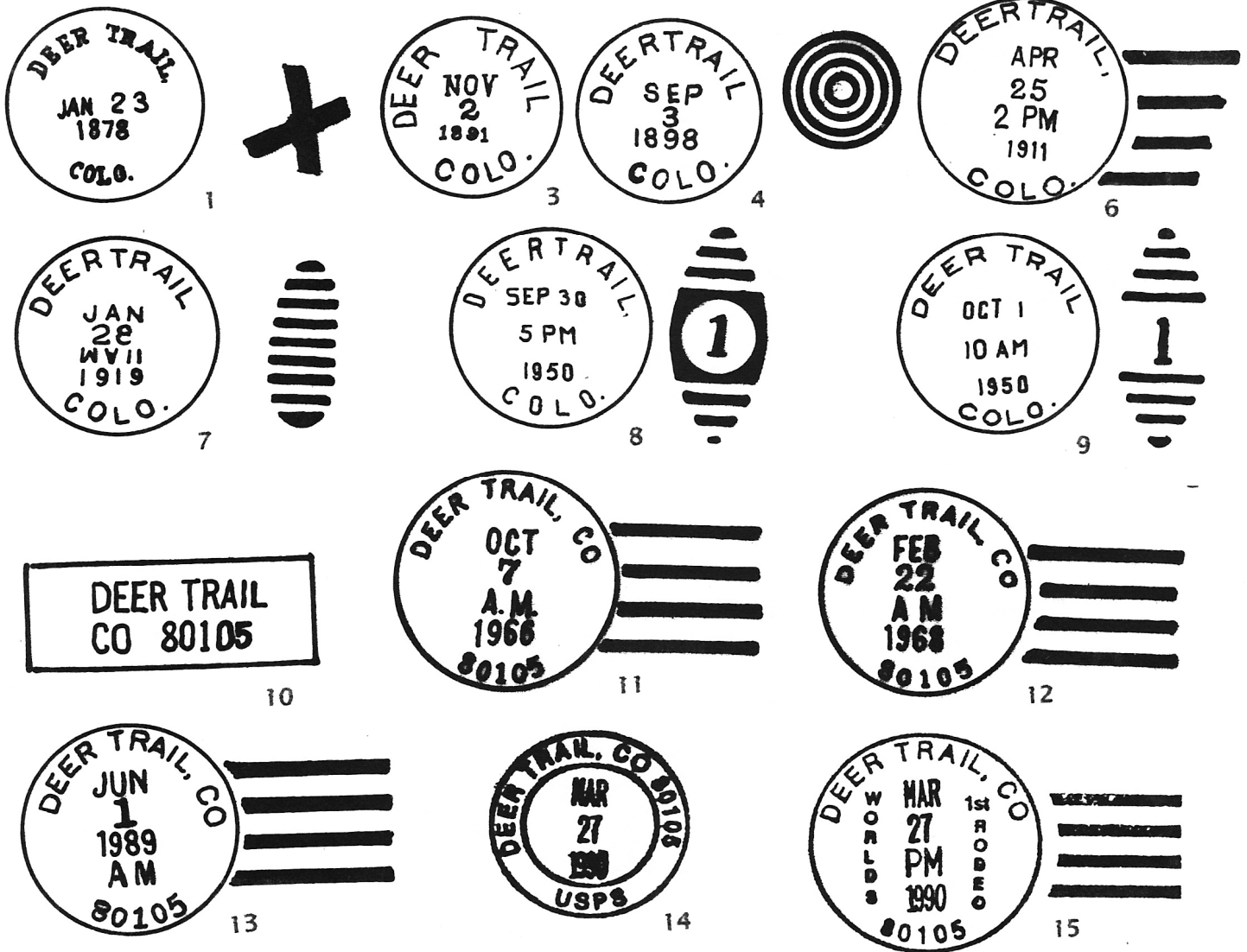
DEER TRAIL - Continued

Jun 3 1896	Burton, Gideon L.	
Mar 22 1898 ---	SE/4 Sec 13 T5S R60W	200 feet northeast of Union Pacific tracks
Jun 14 1901	Scott, James	
Apr 11 1904	Schroll, Emery W.	
Mar 7 1914 ---	SE/4 Sec 13 T5S R60W	330 feet northeast of Union Pacific tracks
Oct 8 1914	Wible, Laura E.	
Jan 1 1916	Wible, Laura E.	Presidential
Jan 30 1917	Wible, Laura E.	P&S
Dec 14 1921	Whalen, Frank M.	
Mar 25 1926	Whalen, Frank M.	
Mar 22 1930	Whalen, Frank M.	Confirmed
Jul 9 1934	Ross, Mrs. Olive R.	Acting
Jul 18 1934	Ross, Mrs. Olive R.	Assumed charge
Jan 10 1935	Ross, Mrs. Olive R.	Nominated
Jan 21 1935	Ross, Mrs. Olive R.	Confirmed
Feb 6 1935	Ross, Mrs. Olive R.	Commissioned
Jun 5 1939	Ross, Mrs. Olive R.	Nominated
Jun 12 1939	Ross, Mrs. Olive R.	Confirmed
Jun 15 1939	Ross, Mrs. Olive R.	Appointed Presidential
Jun 30 1939	Ross, Mrs. Olive R.	Commissioned and Assumed charge
Oct 31 1941 ---	SE/4 Sec 13 T5S R60W	Post office faces U.S.40 (on north side)
Oct 1 1950	Spelling reverted to Deer Trail	
Nov 19 1965	Deter, Mrs. Marea T.	Acting
Nov 7 1967	Deter, Mrs. Marea T.	Appointed Presidential
Nov 16 1967	Deter, Mrs. Marea T.	Commissioned
Jul 2 1976	Zeurcher, Elaine M.	Officer in charge
Jun 3 1978	Zeurcher, Elaine M.	Appointed

Confirmed types of postal markings

1	DEER TRAIL, / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Jan 23 1878 May 30 1881 Hstp Fancy, Cork, Positive "X"; smudge, Negative X-roads
2	DEER TRAIL / COLO. CI 20P 28.0/26.0	Apr 16 1885 Sep 21 1887 Hstp Cork, waffle grid [NOT AVAILABLE FOR ILLUSTRATION]
3	DEER TRAIL / COLO. CI 10P 27.0	Nov 2 1891 Sep 8 1898 Hstp Cork, smudge; Target
4	DEER TRAIL / COLO. CI 10P 27.5	Sep 3 1898 Hstp Target
5	DEER TRAIL / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Jan 7 1903 Dec 14 1908 Doane Type 2, with 3; S-23x13mm [NOT AVAILABLE FOR ILLUSTRATION]
6	DEER TRAIL, / COLO. CI 10P 31.0	Apr 11 1911 May 28 1913 4bars S-??x??mm
7	DEERTRAIL / COLO. CI 10P 29.0	Jan 18 1914 May 26 1933 Dplx Grid, 9-bar oval
8	DEERTRAIL, / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Jan 20 1937 Sep 30 1950 Dplx Grid, oval with 1 and circle
9	DEER TRAIL / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Oct 1 1950 Apr 8 1965 Dplx Grid, 8-bar diamond with 1
10	DEER TRAIL / CO 80105 RC 10P 48.0x17.0	--- -- 195- --- -- 195-? Hstp Parcel post box cancel
11	DEER TRAIL, CO / 80105 CI 10P 33.0	Oct 7 1966 Feb 18 1976 4bars S-25x19mm
12	DEER TRAIL, CO / 80105 CI 10P 33.0	Dec 16 1966 Apr 2 1987 4bars S-24x18mm
13	DEER TRAIL, CO / 80105 CI 10P 32.0	Jun 1 1989 4bars S-24x19mm
14	DEER TRAIL, CO 80105 / USPS CI 11P 30.0/20.0	Mar 27 1990 Hstp No killer
15	DEER TRAIL, CO / 80105 CI 10P 34.0	Dec 13 1989 Mar 27 1990 4bars S-20x16mm; text vertical within cds: WORLDS :: 1st/RODEO

DEER TRAIL – Continued



RODEO STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

Jul 27 1990

Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

Confirmed types of postal markings

1 DEER TRAIL, CO 80105 // RODEO STATION Jul 27 1990

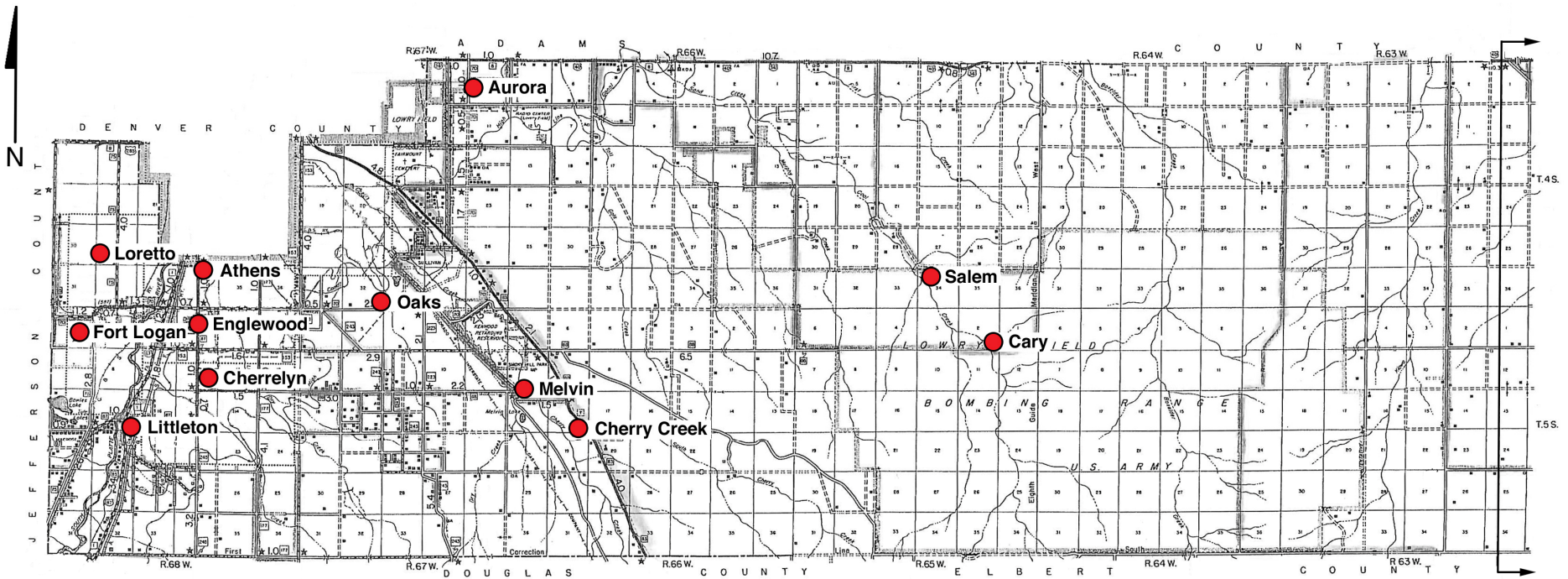
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DEER TRAIL COLORADO / HOME OF THE WORLD'S
FIRST RODEO / July 4, 1869

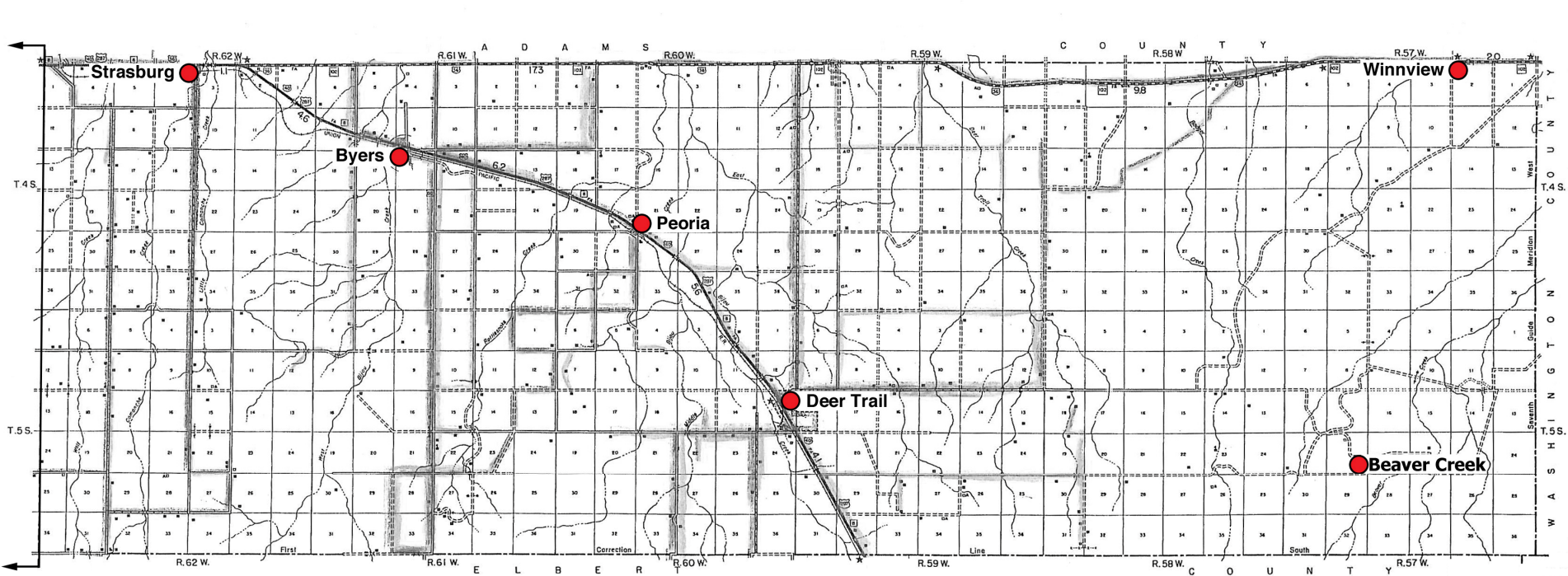


RODEO STATION
JULY 27, 1990
DEER TRAIL, CO 80105



Post Office Location Map Western Arapahoe County

Locations Unknown: Lena and Tabor



Post Office Location Map Eastern Arapahoe County

ENGLEWOOD

Englewood is another of the major suburbs to the south of Denver. The early history is a bit sketchy and there are contradictions in what has been written.

It is claimed that Thomas Skerritt and others first settled the area in 1859. No specific community name is attached to that reference. Another reference places the establishment in 1875 and states that it was originally a "pleasure resort" owned by A. C. Fisk and was known as Fisk's Gardens. Later it became known as Orchard Place for a large apple orchard.

There is a claim that the name "Englewood" first appeared in 1887 when, on June 27, D. G. Peabody and W. McGavock filed a town plat for Englewood. Others, who state that the name Orchard Place was changed to Englewood when the community was incorporated on May 13, 1903, contradict this claim. This later date seems the more reliable for the appearance of Englewood. That is also the date given for the consolidation of Cherrelyn with Orchard Place to create Englewood. The Cherrelyn Post Office continued independent operation for another sixteen years.

The name "Englewood" is from old English words "wood ingle," a wooded nook of corner. It may be connected to Englewood, Illinois, which was supposedly the hometown of one of the aldermen of the new city.

Englewood has become a major city, separating Denver on the north from Littleton on the south. It includes industrial districts on the western edge, a commercial district along Santa Fe Drive and a residential district that spans South Broadway.

The Englewood Post Office began as an independent post office, but in November 1913 it was converted to a Branch of Denver. In 1930, Englewood was restored to independent status.

Through its history, the Englewood Post Office has been consistently located on South Broadway:

- 1904 3495 South Broadway (corner of Hampden and south Broadway)
- 1910 3480 South Broadway (middle of the block)
- 1917 3396 South Broadway (northeast corner of South Broadway and Girard)
- 1930 3463 South Broadway (Englewood Branch) (middle of the block)

In 1997 the Englewood Post Office was at the corner of Lehigh and Inca, nine blocks west of South Broadway.

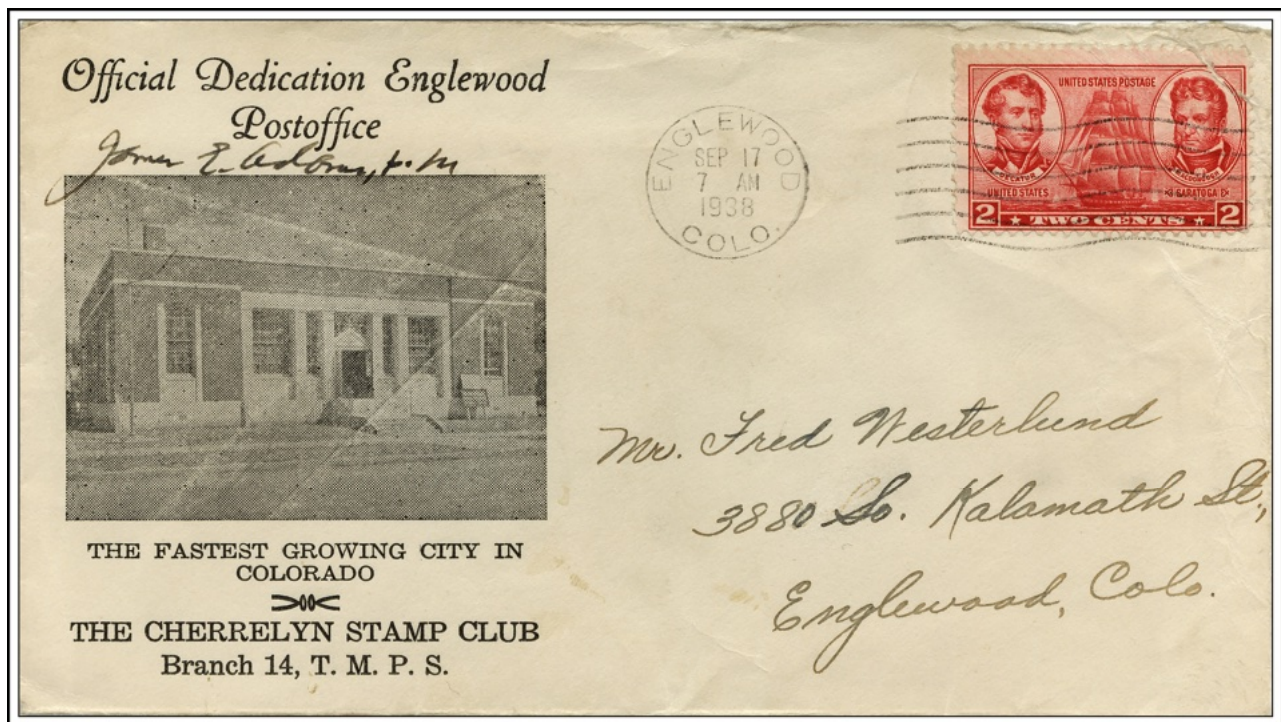
Latitude = 39:38:52 North Longitude = 104:59:14 West

Chronology of the Post Office

Jul 1 1903	---	SE/4 Sec 34 T4S R68W	
		Proposed postmaster - Orville J. Baird	
Oct 24 1903		Established	
Oct 24 1903		Baird, Orville	
Feb 11 1907		Baird, Jessie Y.	
Jan 11 1909		Baird, Jessie Y.	
Dec 16 1909		Williams Mary E.	P&S
Jun 16 1913		Street E. F.	P&S
Nov 30 1913		Converted to a Branch of Denver (1913-1930)	
Nov 26 1928	---	SW/4 Sec 34 T4S R68W	Appears to be on South Broadway
Sep 15 1930		Re-established	
Sep 15 1930		Patton, H. N.	Acting
Feb 25 1931		Proctor, James S.	P&S
Jul 14 1933		Adams, James E.	Acting
Jul 20 1933		Adams, James E.	Assumed charge
Apr 18 1934		Adams, James E.	Nominated
Apr 25 1934		Adams, James E.	Confirmed
May 18 1934		Adams, James E.	Commissioned
Jun 7 1938		Adams, James E.	Nominated

ENGLEWOOD - Continued

Jun 8 1938	Adams, James E.	Confirmed
Jun 23 1938	Adams, James E.	Appointed Presidential
Aug 12 1938	Adams, James E.	Commissioned
Jan 4 1939 --	SE/4 Sec 34 T4S R68W; 3330 South Broadway	A move 460 feet north of a previous location
Oct 22 1941 --	NW/4 Sec 34 T4S R68W; 3330 South Broadway	
Aug 24 1942	Adams, James E.	Nominated
Sep 29 1942	Adams, James E.	Appointed Presidential
Sep 28 1942	Adams, James E.	Confirmed
Nov 10 1942	Adams, James E.	Commissioned
Jul 14 1964	Gurley Mrs. Ruth M.	Acting
May 16 1966	Gurley Mrs. Ruth M.	Nominated & confirmed
May 19 1966	Gurley, Mrs. Ruth M.	Appointed Presidential
May 25 1966	Gurley Mrs. Ruth M.	Commissioned
Jun 3 1966	Gurley Mrs. Ruth M.	Assumed charge
Jun 28 1973	Thome, Peter M.	Officer in charge
Feb 23 1974	Thome, Peter M.	Appointed
Dec 29 1980	Moses, Luther	Officer in charge
Jul 11 1981	Gilmore, Charles R.	Appointed
Jul -- 1986	Mason, William F.	Officer in charge
Sep 27 1986	Bernal, Richard	Appointed



ENGLEWOOD / COLO. September 17, 1938
Post Office Dedication Cover, signed by Englewood postmaster James E. Adams

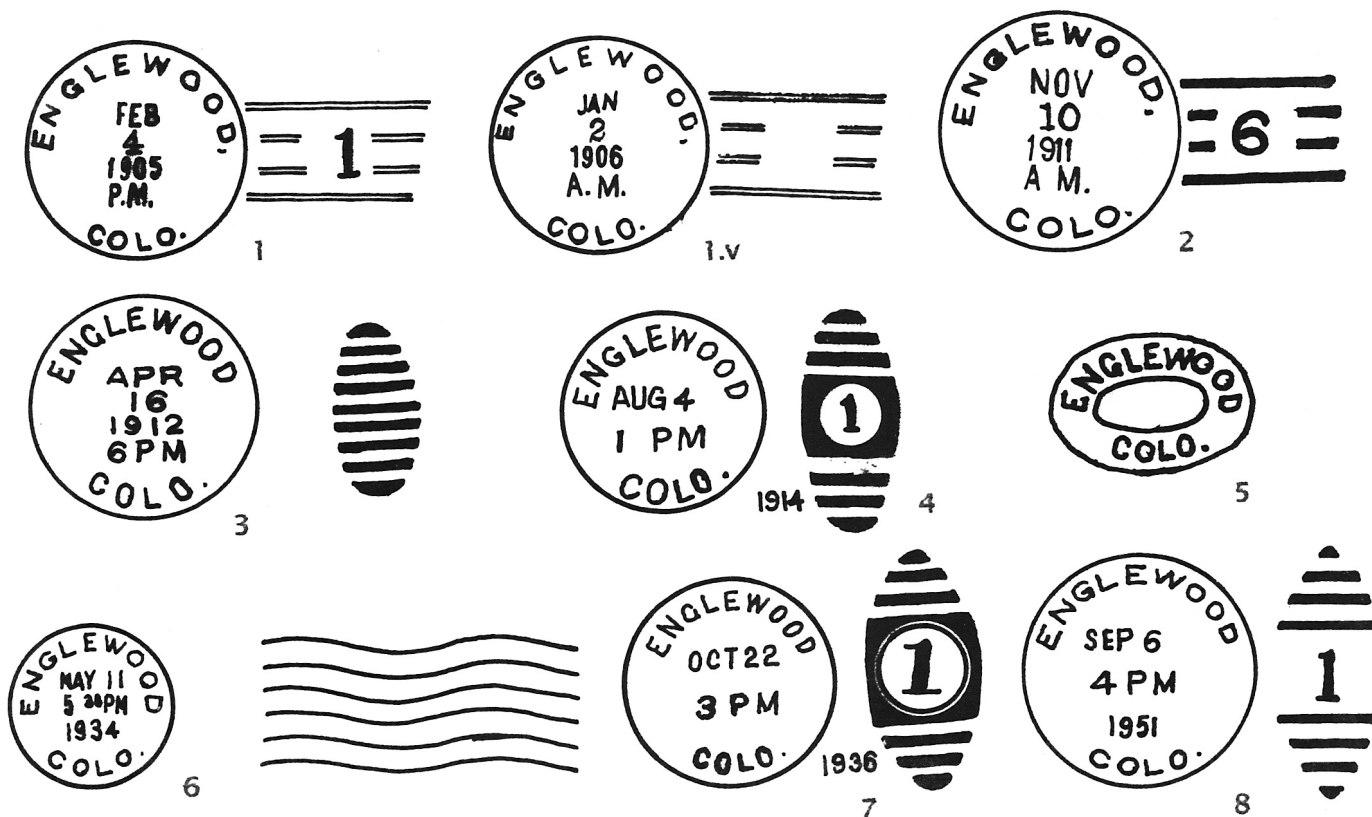
Confirmed types of postal markings

1	ENGLEWOOD, / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Nov 23 1903 Sep 14 1906 Doane Type 2, with 1; S-23x13mm
1v	ENGLEWOOD, / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Jan 2 1906 Apr 16 1906 Doane Type 2, without number; S-23x13mm
2	ENGLEWOOD, / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Apr 27 1906 Dec 18 1908 Doane Type 3, with 6; S-23x13mm
3	ENGLEWOOD / COLO. CI 10P 29.0	Apr 16 1912 Dplx Grid, oval 9-bar

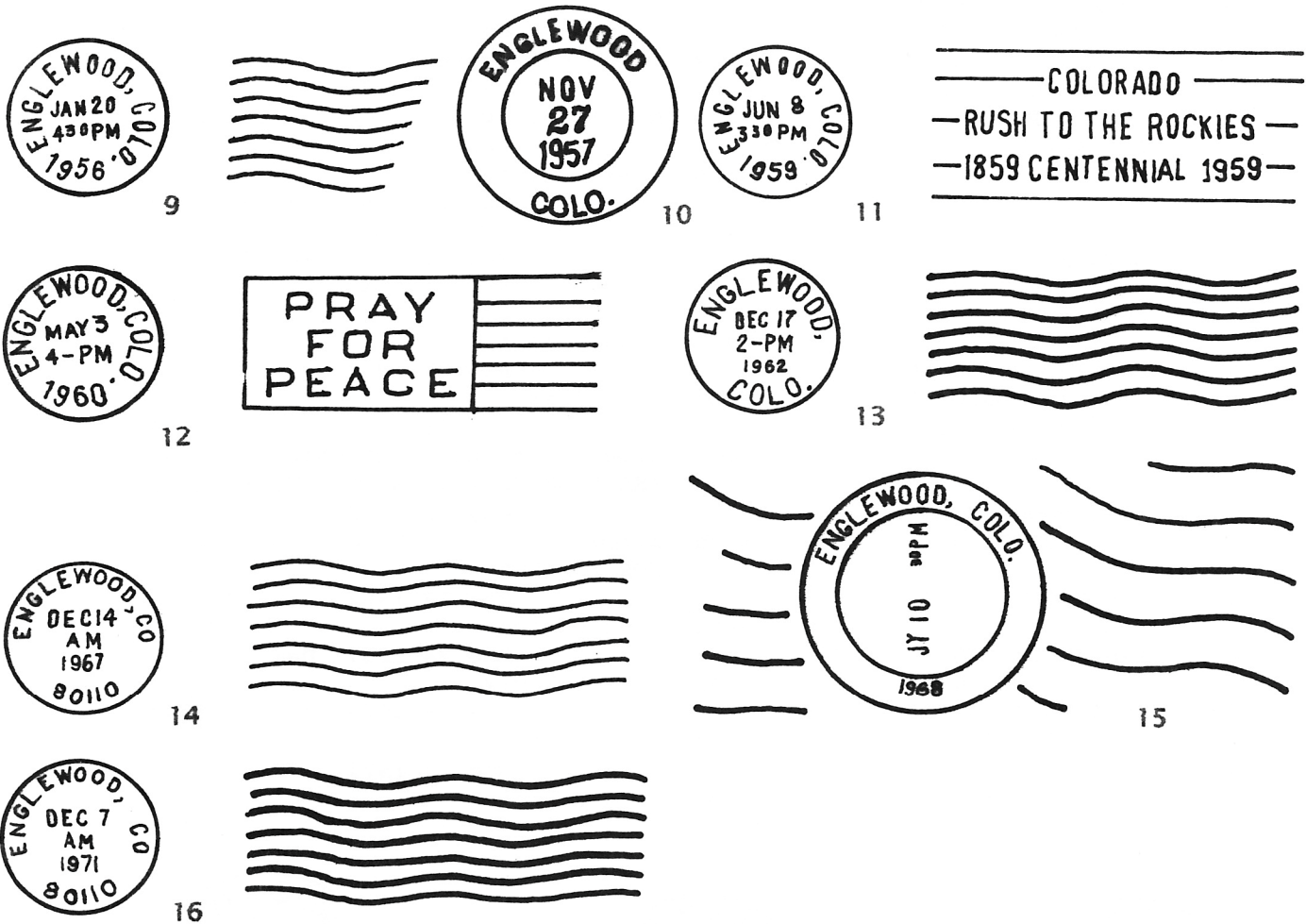
ENGLEWOOD - Continued

- 4 ENGLEWOOD / COLO.
CI 10P 26.0
- 5 ENGLEWOOD / COLO.
OV 11P 27x19/15x6
- 6 ENGLEWOOD / COLO.
CI 10P 21.0
- 7 ENGLEWOOD / COLO.
CI 10P 27.0
- 8 ENGLEWOOD / COLO.
CI 10P 30.0
- 9 ENGLEWOOD, COLO.
CI 10P 21.0
- 10 ENGLEWOOD / COLO.
CI 11P 30.0/19.0
- 10.1 Englewood, / Colo.
RC 10P 36.0x18.0
- 11 ENGLEWOOD, COLO.
CI 10P 21.0
- 12 ENGLEWOOD, COLO.
CI 10P 21.0
- 13 ENGLEWOOD, / COLO.
CI 10P 21.0
- 14 ENGLEWOOD, CO / 80110
CI 10P 21.0
- 15 ENGLEWOOD, COLO.
CI 11P 33.0/23.5
- 16 ENGLEWOOD, CO / 80110
CI 10P 21.0

- Aug 4 1914
- Dplx Grid, oval with 1
- -- 192-
- Hstp No killer, Parcel Post double oval
Feb 10 1933 Dec 24 1948
- Mach 6 wavy lines
Oct 22 1936 Feb 25 1949
- Dplx Grid, oval with 1 and circle
- Dplx Grid, diamond with 1
Sep 6 1951 Mar 16 1955
- Mach 7 wavy lines
Jan 15 1952 Mar 26 1963
- Hstp No killer
Nov 27 1957
- -- 1950s
- Hstp No killer, Parcel Post Box
[NOT AVAILABLE FOR ILLUSTRATION]
Mar 16 1959 Jun 8 1959
- Mach Slogan with bars: COLORADO / RUSH TO
THE ROCKIES / 1859 CENTENNIAL 1959
May 3 1960
- Mach slogan in box with bars: PRAY / FOR / PEACE
Dec 17 1962 Jan 17 1966
- Mach 7 wavy lines
Aug 24 1967 Dec 15 1970
- Mach 7 wavy lines
Nov 6 1964 Jul 10 1968
- Rolr 6 wavy lines
Dec 7 1971
- Mach 7 wavy lines



ENGLEWOOD - Continued



ENGLEWOOD – BRANCHES AND STATIONS

STATION NUMBER 1

Chronology of the Post Office

Dec 16 1949	Established as a Station of Englewood 4295-4297 South Broadway
Mar 12 1955	Closed
Mar 18 1955	Reopened 4360 South Broadway
Nov 28 1978	7475 East Arapahoe - Heritage Drug [AKA Heritage Station]

Confirmed types of postal markings

- 1 ENGLEWOOD, COLO. / STA. NO. 1 Jan 25 1950
CI 11P 30.0/19.0 Hstp No killer



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ENGLEWOOD – BRANCHES AND STATIONS – Continued

STATION NUMBER 2

Chronology of the Post Office

Jun 14 1982	Established as a Station of Englewood 7475 East Arapahoe, JJM Enterprises
--- --	Closed, date not known
Sep -- 1989	Reopened, prior to September 1989 5104 South Broadway

Confirmed types of postal markings

1	ENGLEWOOD, CO CONTRACT 2 / USPS	Feb 19 1987
	CI 11P 28.0/18.0	Hstp No killer



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STATION NUMBER 3

Chronology of the Post Office

Mar 3 1986	Established as a Station of Englewood 4660 South Yosemite - Heritage Cleaners
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Confirmed types of postal markings

SEE DATA UNDER HERITAGE CLEANERS STATION BELOW

STATION NUMBER 4

Chronology of the Post Office

Jan 21 1986	Established as a Station of Englewood 6300 South Syracuse Way - Megabank of Arapahoe
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Confirmed types of postal markings

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM STATION NUMBER 4

STATION NUMBER 5

Chronology of the Post Office

Sep 24 1986	Established as a Station of Englewood 6000 south Holly - Toddy's of Denver
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Confirmed types of postal markings

1	ENGLEWOOD, CO CONTRACT NO. 5 / USPS	Apr 15 1987 Nov 13 1989
	CI 11P 29.0/18.0	Hstp No killer



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ENGLEWOOD – BRANCHES AND STATIONS – Continued

ANNEX STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

>>> 1964 Established as a Station of Englewood

Confirmed types of postal markings

0.1	ENGLEWOOD, COLO / ANNEX CI 10P 33.0	Hstp No killer	Mar 24 1964 Jan 4 1965
1	ENGLEWOOD, CO ANNEX / USPO CI 11P 27.0/18.0	Hstp No killer	Feb 26 1970
2	ENGLEWOOD, COLO. ANNEX / USPO CI 11P 30.0/19.0	Hstp No killer	Jan 19 1973
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ARAPAHOE COUNTY STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

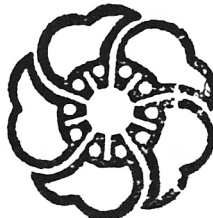
Jun 14-15 1986 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

Confirmed types of postal markings

1	ENGLEWOOD, CO. 80112 // ARAPAHOE COUNTY STATION CI 10P 27.5	Pict Scene - Floral design; Text – SPRINGFEST / ARAPAHOE COUNTY / 125TH ANNIVERSARY / 1861 - 1986	Jun 14 1986
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SPRINGFEST
ARAPAHOE COUNTY
125TH ANNIVERSARY
1861 — 1986



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ARAPAHOE EAST BRANCH

Chronology of the Post Office

Sep 1 1981 Established as a Branch of Englewood - 6655 South Dayton Street
Formerly Denver Tech Center Station

Confirmed types of postal markings

1	ENGLEWOOD, CO ARAPAHOE EAST BR. / USPS CI 11P 28.0/18.0	Hstp No killer	Sep 9 1981 Apr 12 1997
2	ENGLEWOOD, CO ARAP EAST STA / 80112 CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-23x19mm	Apr 15 1993

ENGLEWOOD – BRANCHES AND STATIONS – Continued
ARAPAHOE EAST BRANCH - Continued**BROOKRIDGE STATION****Chronology of the Post Office**

Jan 22 1966	Established as a Station of Englewood 5110 South Federal Boulevard Formerly a Contract Branch of Littleton
--- -- 1974	Closed

Confirmed types of postal markings

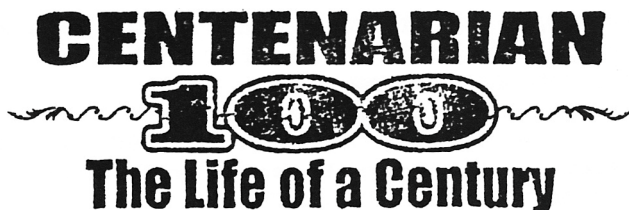
- 1 **ENGLEWOOD CO / BROOKRIDGE BR.** Feb 4, 1966
 CI 10P 33.0 **4bars S-20x24mm**
 [NOT AVAILABLE FOR ILLUSTRATION]
- 2 **ENGLEWOOD, CO BROOKRIDGE STA. / USPO** Feb 4, 1966
 CI 11P 29.5/19.0 **Hstp No Killer**

**CELEBRATE THE CENTURY STATION****Chronology of the Post Office**

Jun 15 2000	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
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Confirmed types of postal markings

- 1 Englewood, CO 80110 // Celebrate the Century Station Jun 15 2000
 SL 00R 101.0x36.0 **Pict Text only - CENTENARIAN / -- 100 -- /**
 The Life of a Century



June 15, 2000 - Celebrate the Century Station Englewood, CO 80110

**ENGLEWOOD – BRANCHES AND STATIONS – Continued
CENTENNIAL STATION**

Chronology of the Post Office

Jul 1 1962	Established as a Station of Englewood 5050 South Federal Formerly a Branch of Littleton
Jun 7 1965	Temporarily closed due to flood
Sep 17 1965	Reopened
Sep 8 1977	Closed

Confirmed types of postal markings

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM THE CENTENNIAL STATION

CHERRELYN STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

Sep 8 1977 Opened
Apr 3 1979 Closed

Confirmed types of postal markings

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM THE CHERRELYN STATION

CHERRELYN PHILATELIC EXHIBITION STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

Jan 24-25 1975	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Jan 23-24 1976	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Jan 28-29 1977	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Jan 27-28 1978	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Jan 26-28 1979	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Jan 25-27 1980	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Jan 23-24 1981	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Jan 22-23 1982	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Jan 21-23 1983	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Jan 27-29 1984	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Feb 1- 3 1985	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Feb 6- 7 1993	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Mar 5- 6 1994	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

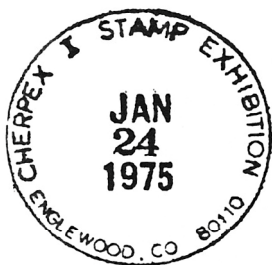
During this time the Exhibition was held in the Cinderella City Shopping Center, 300 block of West Hampden Avenue
For subsequent years refer to Littleton (1995) and Denver

Confirmed types of postal markings

1	ENGLEWOOD, CO 80110 // CHERPEX I STAMP EXHIBITION	Jan 24 - 25 1975
	CI 10P 34.5	Pict Scene - Cherrelyn Horsecar with bars
2	ENGLEWOOD, CO 80110 // CHERPEX II STAMP EXHIBITION	Jan 23 - 24 1976
	CI 10P 36.0	Pict Scene - Cherrelyn Horsecar with bars
3	ENGLEWOOD, CO 80110 // CHERPEX III STAMP EXHIBITION	Jan 28 - 29 1977
	CI 10P 40.0	Pict Scene - Cherrelyn Horsecar with bars
4	ENGLEWOOD, CO 80110 // CHERPEX IV STAMP EXHIBITION	Jan 27 - 29 1978
	CI 10P 39.0	Pict Scene - Cherrelyn Horsecar with bars
5	ENGLEWOOD, CO 80110 // CHERPEX V STAMP EXHIBITION	Jan 27 1979
	CI 10P 38.0	Pict Scene - Cherrelyn Horsecar with bars
6	ENGLEWOOD, CO 80110 // CHERPEX VI STAMP EXHIBITION	Jan 25 - 27 1980
	CI 10P 35.0	Pict Scene - Cherrelyn Horsecar with bars
7	ENGLEWOOD, CO 80110 // CHERPEX 7 STAMP EXHIBIT STA.	Jan 23 1981
	CI 10P 25.0	Pict Scene - Cherrelyn Horsecar with bars

ENGLEWOOD – BRANCHES AND STATIONS – Continued
CHERRELYN PHILATELIC EXHIBITION STATION - Continued

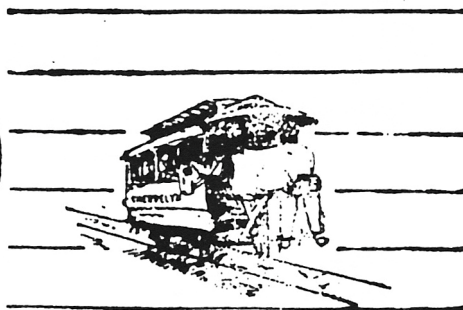
- 8 ENGLEWOOD CO 80110 // CHERPEX 8 STAMP EXHIBIT STA. Jan 22 - 24 1982
CI 10P 25.5 Pict Scene - Cherrelyn Horsecar with bars
- 9 ENGLEWOOD CO 80110 // CHERPEX 9 STAMP EXHIBIT STA. Jan 21 - 23 1983
CI 10P 34.5 Pict Scene - Cherrelyn Horsecar with bars
- 10 ENGLEWOOD / COLORADO :: CHERPEX 10 STAMP EXHIBIT STA. / 80110 Jan 27 - 29 1984
CI 10P 29.0 Pict Scene - Cherrelyn Horsecar with bars
- 11 ENGLEWOOD. CO 80110 // CHERPEX XI STAMP EXHIBITION Feb 1 - 3 1985
CI 10P 25.5 Pict Scene - Cherrelyn Horsecar with bars
- 19 ENGLEWOOD. CO 80110 // CHERPEX XI STAMP EXHIBITION Feb 6 1993
CI 10P 25.0 Pict Scene - Cherrelyn Horsecar with bars.
[Dial reads "XI" instead of "XIX"]
- 20 ENGLEWOOD, / CHERPEX XX / COLORADO 80110 Mar 5 - 6 1994
SL 00R 35.0x15.0 Pict Scene - Cherrelyn Horsecar with bars



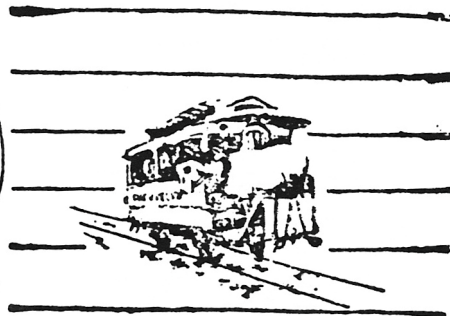
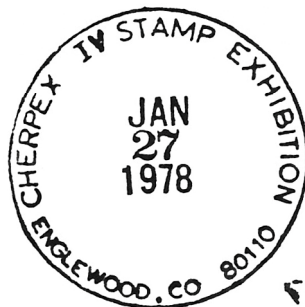
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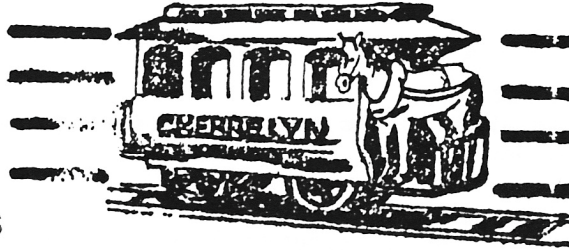


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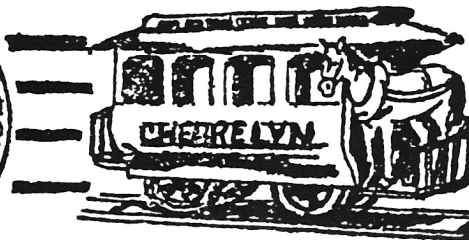


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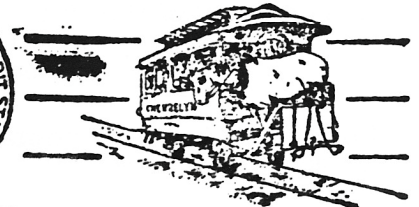
ENGLEWOOD – BRANCHES AND STATIONS – Continued
CHERRELYN PHILATELIC EXHIBITION STATION - Continued



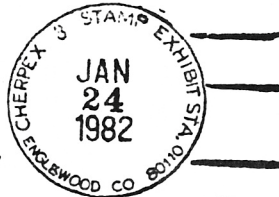
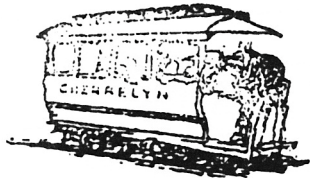
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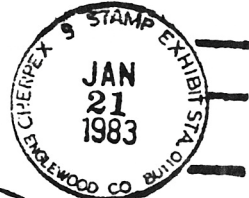
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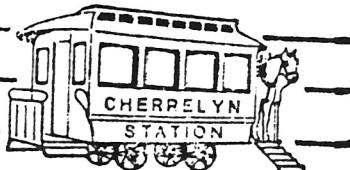


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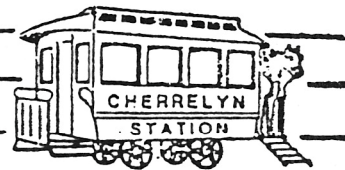


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ENGLEWOOD
COLORADO

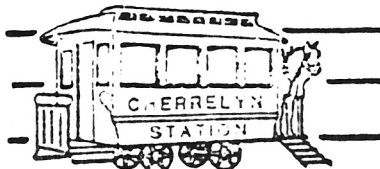


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ENGLEWOOD,
MARCH 5, 1994
CHERPEX XX
COLORADO 80110



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ENGLEWOOD – BRANCHES AND STATIONS – Continued

CINDERELLA CITY STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

>>> 1986 Established as a Station of Englewood 701 West Hampden Avenue
 --- ---- Closed

Confirmed types of postal markings

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM THE CINDERELLA CITY STATION

C.O.D. STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

May 1 1941 Established as a Station of Englewood
 --- -- 1951 Closed

Confirmed types of postal markings

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM THE C.O.D. STATION

DENVER TECHNOLOGICAL CENTER STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

Sep 9 1978 Established as a Station of Englewood
 Sep 1 1981 Became Arapahoe East Station

Confirmed types of postal markings

1 ENGLEWOOD, CO TECH CENTER BR / 80111 Apr 27, 1981
 CI 10P 32.0 Hstp No killer



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DOWNTOWN STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

Aug 22 1966 Established as a Station of Englewood 3330 South Broadway

Confirmed types of postal markings

0.1 ENGLEWOOD, CO DOWNTOWN STA / USPO Jan 7, 1978
 CI 11P 27.0/17.5 Hstp No killer

1 ENGLEWOOD, CO DOWNTOWN STA / 80110 Apr 15 1993
 CI 10P 32.0 4bars S-25x19mm



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ENGLEWOOD – BRANCHES AND STATIONS – Continued

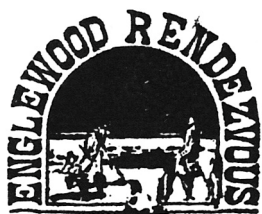
ENGLEWOOD RENDEZVOUS STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

Aug 26 1988 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

Confirmed types of postal markings

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|---|---|-------------|---|
| 1 | Englewood, Colorado 80110 / STA
SL 00R 41.0x11.0 | Aug 26 1988 | Pict Scene - Frontier scene framed by text -
ENGLEWOOD RENDEZVOUS / A City Celebration |
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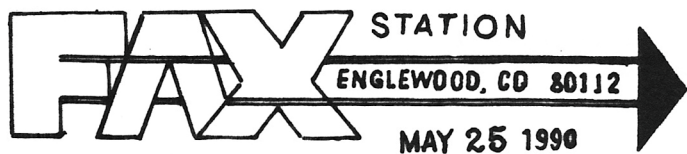
FAX STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

----- Established as a Station of Englewood

Confirmed types of postal markings

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|---|--|-------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112 :: FAX STATION
IR 00R 87.0x18.0 | May 25 1990 | Pict Large "FAX" with arrow |
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HALLMARK #002645 STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

----- Established as a Station of Englewood 4930 S Yosemite St. #D1 Located in Hallmark Creations

Confirmed types of postal markings

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|---|--|-------------|----------------|
| 1 | GREENWOOD VLG CO 80111 / HALLMARK #0026645
CI 11P 30.0/22.0 | Nov 14 2003 | Hstp No killer |
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ENGLEWOOD – BRANCHES AND STATIONS – Continued

HERITAGE COMMUNITY POST OFFICE / STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

Jan 1 1976	Established as a Community Post Office of Englewood
Sep 22 1978	Discontinued
Sep 23 1978	Reopened 7475 East Arapahoe - Heritage Drug Store
Nov 28 1978	Designated Contract station Number 1

Confirmed types of postal markings

- 0.1 ENGLEWOOD, CO HERITAGE BR / USPO Sep 11, 1978
CI 11P 27.5/17.5 Hstp No killer
[NOT AVAILABLE FOR ILLUSTRATION]
- 1 ENGLEWOOD, CO HERITAGE CONTR. STA. / USPO Apr 21 1984 Apr 21 1984
CI 11P 29.0/19.0 Hstp No killer



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HERITAGE CLEANERS STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

Mar 3 1986	Established as a Station of Englewood Also known as Contract Station Number 3
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Confirmed types of postal markings

- 1 ENGLEWOOD, CO HERITAGE CONT. 3 / USPS Apr 14 1987 Apr 15 1988
CI 11P 29.0/19.0 Hstp No killer



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MAIN OFFICE STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

-----	Established as a Station of Englewood
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Confirmed types of postal markings

- 1 ENGLEWOOD, CO MAIN OFFICE / USPO Jun 1 1974 Dec 15 1975
CI 11P 27.5/17.5 Hstp No killer
- 2 ENGLEWOOD, CO MAIN OFFICE / 80110 Apr 17 1995
CI 10P 33.0 4bars S-25x19mm
- 3 ENGLEWOOD, CO MAIN OFFICE / USPS Oct 8 1997
CI 11P 29.0x19.0 Hstp No killer

**ENGLEWOOD – BRANCHES AND STATIONS – Continued
MAIN OFFICE STATION – Continued**



SHERIDAN BRANCH

Chronology of the Post Office

Aug 18 1962 Established as a Branch of Englewood

Confirmed types of postal markings

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM THE SHERIDAN BRANCH

WORLD YOUTH STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

Aug 15 1993 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

Confirmed types of postal markings

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|---|--|--|
| 1 | ENGLEWOOD CO 80112 // WORLD YOUTH STATION
CI 00R 35.0 | Aug 15 1993
Pict Scene - circular emblem; Text - WORLD
YOUTH DAY 1993 (PAPAL VISIT) / EL DIA MUNDIAL
DE LA JUVENTUD |
|---|--|--|



ZIPSTER STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

--- -- 1992 Established as a Station of Englewood
Closed

Confirmed types of postal markings

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|---|-------------------------------|---|
| 1 | ENGLEWOOD / CO
CI 10P 26.0 | Jul 15 1992
Mter ZIPSTER self-stick label: H Meter 427579
[NOT ILLUSTRATED] |
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FORT LOGAN

In 1887, largely through the efforts of Henry R. Wolcott, an act of Congress was approved February 27, 1887, establishing a military post at Denver. The argument for the post was that it would be located at a major rail center, which would facilitate movement of troops to wherever in the west they might be needed.

The first troops arrived on October 22, 1887 and were quartered on property belonging to a Mr. Howard. On October 25 Major K. Brady of the 18th Regiment arrived in Denver from Fort Crawford. After assuming command he moved the troops to the military reservation, therefore the history of the military post officially dates from October 26, 1887.

Lieutenant General Philip Sheridan selected the site and at first the post was called "Fort Sheridan." When the War Department considered the official names for several new posts, General Sheridan asked that his name be given to a fort on the shore of Lake Michigan. That post had been designated to be named Fort Logan in honor of Major General John Alexander Logan, a Civil War military leader and Illinois politician. Conceding to Sheridan's wishes, the names of the two forts were switched and on April 5, 1889 and Colorado was officially home to Fort Logan.

Through the years, Fort Logan served the U. S. Army well. It was directed more towards advanced training than to basic combat training. During World War II, that effort fell to the new Camp (Fort) Carson near Colorado Springs. In 1941 Fort Logan became a sub-post of Lowry Field. On 1946 Fort Logan closed as a Military Post. The Veterans Administration reactivated the hospital units at Fort Logan and used the facilities until they were moved to the new Denver Hospital in 1951.

In 1960, the portion of the reservation that included the post buildings, 308 acres, was transferred to the State of Colorado. The site has operated as the Fort Logan Military Health Center and also serves other state agencies. The remaining portion of the military reservation was retained by the federal government and is largely used as a cemetery.



Final location of the Fort Logan Branch Post Office at 3118 South Lowell Boulevard
Photograph by William H. Bauer
October 9, 1997

FORT LOGAN - Continued

The Fort Logan complex lies on the boundary between Denver and Arapahoe counties. The Fort Logan Post Office appears to have at first been within the boundaries of the military reservation. The original Post Office Department Geographic Site Location Report is not definitive. The boundaries described in that report appear to be the boundaries of the military reservation and not a specific location for the post office.

The 1914 Site Location Report is definitive. That report and subsequent reports place the Fort Logan Post Office outside the boundaries of the reservation and at locations in Arapahoe County. These locations were on the east side of Lowell Avenue, south of Kenyon Avenue.

In 1971, the Fort Logan Post Office was converted to a Branch of Denver. Its final location was at 3818 Lowell Avenue.

Chronology of the Post Office

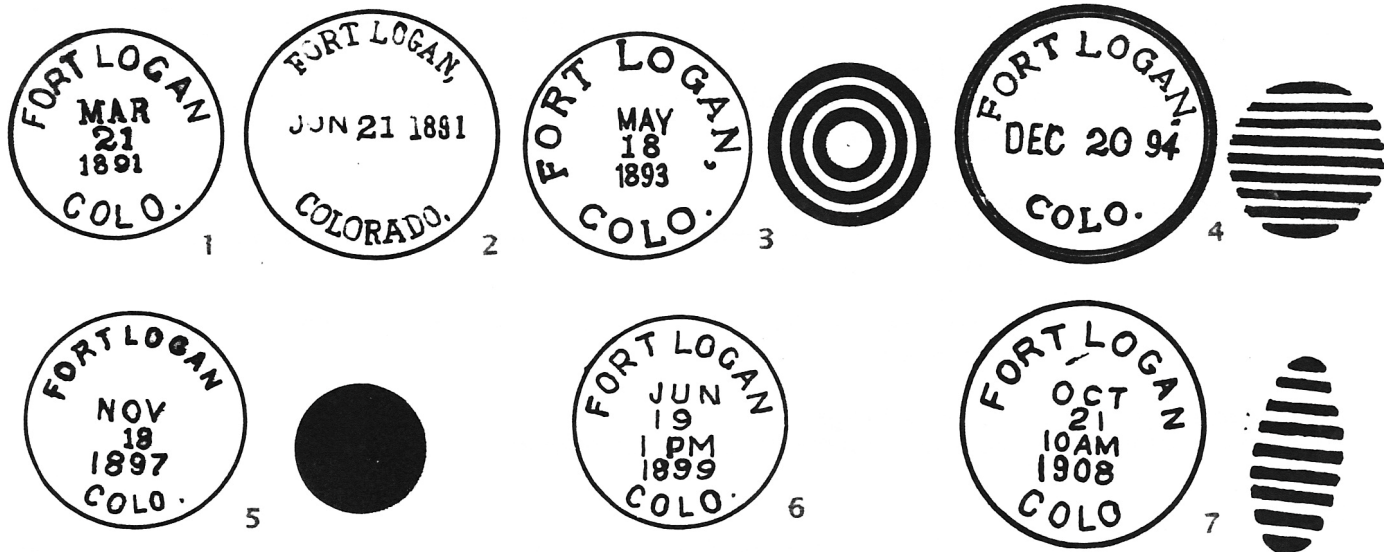
May 3 1889	Established	
May 3 1889	Myers, Alvira B.	
May 11 1889	---	W/2 SE/4 & S/2 NE/4 Sec 6 & W/2 SW/4 Sec 5 T5S R68W
		Proposed postmaster - Alvira B. Meyers
Dec 31 1890	Sherman, Frank B.	
Dec 21 1891	Drew, Charles W.	
Nov 21 1892	Evans, James E.	
Jan 22 1897	Richards, Effie R.	
May 1 1902	Blackwell, William	Order rescinded Aug 22, 1902
Apr 29 1912	Watson, Hattie M.	
Mar 2 1914	---	NW/4 Sec 5 T5S R68W 1/5 mile south of Bear Creek, 1/4 mile north of D&RG RR. A sketch map shows the post office in the northeast corner of intersection of the D&RG with a north-south road from the military reservation. May be just outside of reservation, (across street)
Jan 16 1915	Elmo D. Matthews	Presidential Oct 1, 1917
Jan 18 1915	---	NW/4 Sec 5 T5S R68W 1/2 mile south of Bear Creek. 25 feet north of the D&RG track (Spur track)
Apr 6 1918	Jones, Agnes S.	P&S
Jul 1 1920	Stillion, Roy H.	Acting
Mar 8 1922	Lawton, Charles	P&S
Mar 10 1926	Lawton, Charles	P&S
Mar 18 1930	Lawton, Charles	P&S
May 17 1934	Paden, Agnes M.	Nominated
Jun 6 1934	Paden, Agnes M.	Confirmed
Jun 26 1934	Paden, Agnes M.	Commissioned
Jun 30 1934	Paden, Agnes M.	Assumed charge
Jun 7 1938	Paden, Agnes M.	Nominated
Jun 8 1938	Paden, Agnes M.	Confirmed
Jun 23 1938	Paden, Agnes M.	Appointed Presidential
Jul 19 1938	Paden, Agnes M.	Commissioned
Nov 6 1941	---	NW/4 Sec 5 T5S R68W
Aug 24 1942	Paden, Agnes M.	Nominated
Aug 28 1942	Paden, Agnes M.	Confirmed
Sep 29 1942	Paden, Agnes M.	Appointed Presidential
Nov 10 1942	Paden, Agnes M.	Commissioned
Mar 31 1953	Ellis, Claude H.	Assumed charge
Apr 21 1953	Ellis, Claude H.	Acting
Jun 15 1953	Bray, Marion H.	Acting
Jul 9 1953	Bray, Marion H.	Assumed charge
Apr 14 1954	Bray, Marion H.	Nominated
May 24 1954	Bray, Marion H.	Confirmed, Appted Presidential & Commissioned
Jun 30 1954	Bray, Marion H.	Assumed charge

FORT LOGAN - Continued

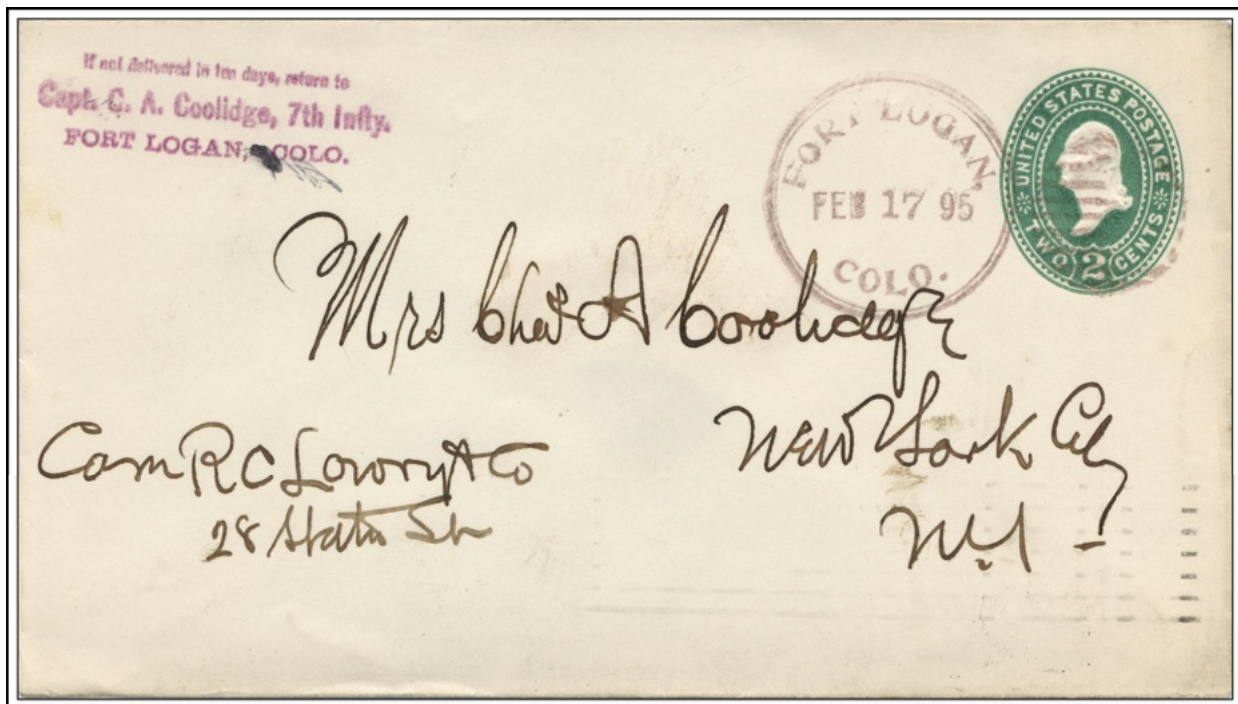
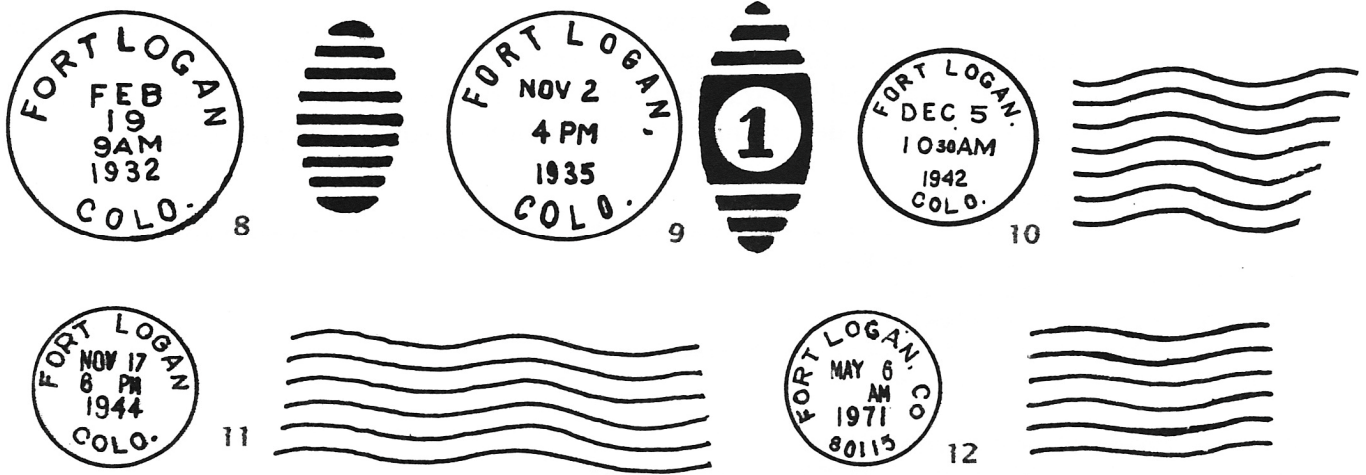
Oct 31 1969	Reab, Mrs. D. L.	Officer in charge
Oct 31 1969	Converted to Branch of Denver effective Aug 31, 1971	
Aug 31 1971	Converted to Branch of Denver	
Feb 20 1981	Branch discontinued	

Confirmed types of postal markings

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|------|--|---|
| 1 | FORT LOGAN / COLO.
CI 10P 27.0 | Mar 21 1891 Apr 20 1891 |
| 2 | FORT LOGAN, / COLORADO.
CI 10P 33.0 | Hstp Target, 4-ring
Jun 5 1891 Jun 21 1891 |
| 3 | FORT LOGAN, / COLO.
CI 10P 29.0 | Hstp Fancy, star, indistinct
May 24 1892 Jun 5 1893 |
| 4 | FORT LOGAN / COLO.
CI 20H 33.0/30.5 | Hstp Target, 3 ring 20mm
Apr 10 1894 May 17 1897 |
| 5 | FORT LOGAN / COLO.
CI 10P 28.0 | Hstp Grid, 9 bar circular
Nov 18 1897 |
| 6 | FORT LOGAN / COLO.
CI 10P 27.5 | Dplx Cork, solid circle
Mar 17 1898 Jun 19 1899 |
| 7 | FORT LOGAN / COLO
CI 10P 30.0 | Hstp Cork, smudge
Oct 8 1904 Apr 23 1916 |
| 8 | FORT LOGAN / COLO.
CI 10P 30.0 | Dplx Grid, 9 bar oval
Feb 19 1932 Jan 15 1934 |
| 9 | FORT LOGAN, / COLO.
CI 10P 30.0 | Dplx Grid, 9-bar oval
Jun 26 1935 Nov 6 1967 |
| 10 | FORT LOGAN, / COLO.
CI 10P 22.5 | Dplx Grid, oval with 1
Jul 18 1940 Oct 30 1944 |
| 11 | FORT LOGAN / COLO.
CI 10P 21.0 | Mach 7 wavy lines
Nov 17 1944 Jun 1 1964 |
| 11.1 | Fort Logan / COLO.
RC 10P 36.0x17.0 | --- 1950s
Hstp No killer, Parcel Post Box
[NOT AVAILABLE FOR ILLUSTRATION]
Apr 4 1966 May 6 1971 |
| 12 | FORT LOGAN, CO / 80115
CI 10P 20.0 | Mach 6 wavy lines |



FORT LOGAN - Continued



FORT LOGAN, / COLO. February 17, 1895

FORT LOGAN M.O.U. 1 STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

- Jul 1 1942** Established as a Station of Fort Logan - At Fort Logan Post Office
- The M.O.U. was assigned to the Army Post from September 10, 1942 to
- June 19, 1946 when it became part of the Veteran Administration Hospital

Confirmed types of postal markings

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM THE FORT LOGAN M.O.U. STATION

JEFFERSON

In the Post Office Department Records of Postmaster Appointments this post office is listed first under Kansas Territory and then under Arapahoe County. I now have found no reason to believe that it was within the boundaries of Arapahoe County as established by the Territorial Legislature in November 1861.

Prior to the creation of Colorado Territory in February 1861, a large portion of what became Colorado was designated as Arapahoe County of Kansas Territory. The western boundary of this county was poorly defined. Jefferson was the original name for Morrison in Jefferson County and there was a post office there from 1872 until the name change in 1873. Before then (1861-1863) there was a Jefferson Post Office in Park County. That office was reestablished in 1875 and continues to operate as a Community Post Office of Fairplay.

If forced to make a decision, I would assign the 1860 version of Jefferson to the location in Jefferson County that is now Morrison.

Chronology of the Post Office

	No document was found in the Arapahoe County Geographic Site Location Reports
Jan 18 1860	Established
Jan 18 1860	Brown, Samuel R.
Dec 6 1860	Discontinued

Confirmed types of postal markings

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM JEFFERSON

LENA

No document for Lena was found in the file of Post Office Department Geographic Site Location Reports. That is consistent with the action of rescinding the appointment of a postmaster for Lena. There is no explanation available as to why it took nine months to rescind the appointment.

My study of Colorado historical literature has not uncovered any mention of a place or post office with this name in Colorado. If any reader can provide information, it would be appreciated.

Chronology of the Post Office

	No document was found in the Arapahoe County Geographic Site Location Reports
Oct 4 1895	Established
Oct 4 1895	Riedsel, John A
Jun 17 1896	Order of appointment rescinded
Jun 17 1896	Discontinued

Confirmed types of postal markings

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM LENA

LITTLETON

Littleton is the largest of the Denver suburbs in Arapahoe County. Denver was the county seat for the original Arapahoe County. In 1901, the Colorado Legislature created the City and County of Denver and Littleton became the county seat of the reduced Arapahoe County. It has maintained that honor to the present day.

Richard L. Little, a civil engineer from New England, took up a land claim in 1860 and in 1862 filed a homestead on the land that would eventually become Littleton. Little was instrumental in the formation of the Capitol Hydraulic Company and he surveyed an irrigation and water supply ditch across

LITTLETON - Continued

his land. Water from the ditch powered the Rough and Ready Flour Mills which Little, with J. C. Lilley, owned and operated. In 1869 Little petitioned for a post office which was granted with the appropriate name of Littleton. Richard L. Little was the first postmaster.

Over the years Richard Little was instrumental in building the first store, a hotel, a church and schools in Littleton. In 1873 he was elected to the Territorial Legislature where he was a strong proponent of legislation to regulate irrigation.

The town of Littleton was platted in 1872 and it was incorporated on March 13, 1890.

For much of its existence Littleton was a rural community with an economy based on farming and supplying produce to the growing city of Denver. Soon after the end of World War II Littleton began to change. With the influx of people returning to Colorado after having spent time there during the war and with the expanding energy industry Littleton has grown rapidly. The Martin-Marietta Company plant, in the foothills southwest of Littleton, also brought a flood of new residents. By the end of the twentieth century, Littleton had grown into a major city on its own rights.

In the present day, Littleton continues to grow and to expand and is now a principal segment in the continuous Denver Metroplex that stretches south through Arapahoe county and on into Douglas County.

The Littleton Post Office has had a rocky existence. From its establishment in 1869 the Littleton Post Office moved frequently, most often to the business establishment of the then current postmaster. In 1939, at a cost of \$59,000 a new "permanent" post office building was constructed. As late as 1997 the Littleton Post Office was on the west side of South Prince Street, south of Alamo Avenue.

In 1902, Postmaster Maud Olmstead was accused of opening mail. Apparently the charges were not proved as she continued as postmaster until 1906.

On January 8, 1908 an unknown number of thieves broke into the post office and blew open the post office safe. \$300 and a number of stamps were stolen. At that time, the post office was in the Coors Building on the northeast corner of Nevada Street and Main Street, east of South Santa Fe Drive.

Latitude = 39:36:48 North Longitude = 105:00:58 West



Littleton Col

April 8, 1872

LITTLETON - Continued
Chronology of the Post Office

Apr 8 1869	Established	
Apr 8 1869	Little, Richard L.	
Feb 16 1871	--- SE/4 Sec 17 T5S R68W	
Jul 17 1886	Hill, Julius D.	
Jul 5 1893	Nelson, Robert H.	
Mar 29 1895	Moore, Robert S.	
Dec 11 1895	Wilson, James J.	
Dec 1 1899	Olmstead, Maud	
Jun 27 1902	Olmstead, Maud	P&S
Jun 22 1906	Cozeno, Clark J.	P&S
Mar 11 1908	Cozeno, Jessie L.	P&S
Mar 1 1912	Albertson, Edward H.	P&S
Mar 29 1916	Allen, L. F.	P&S
Jun 4 1920	Allen, L. F.	P&S
Oct 1 1921	Moore, Fred M.	Acting
Feb 20 1922	Moore, Fred M.	P&S
Mar 20 1926	Moore, Fred M.	P&S
Mar 22 1930	Moore, Fred M.	P&S
Apr 23 1934	Jackson, Mrs. Effie B.	Nominated
May 1 1934	Jackson, Mrs. Effie B.	Confirmed & Commissioned
Aug 2 1937	Teller, Willard	Acting
Aug 9 1937	Teller, Willard	Assumed charge
Jan 25 1938	Teller, Willard	Nominated
Feb 04 1938	Teller, Willard A.	Confirmed
Feb 15 1938	Teller, Willard A.	Appointed Presidential
Feb 9 1940	--- Federal building A move 300 feet north of a previous Location	
Apr 01 1938	Teller, Willard	Commissioned
Nov 3 1941	--- SE/4 Sec 17 T5S R68W; 157 South Prince St.	
May 15 1942	Teller, Willard	Nominated
Jun 4 1942	Teller, Willard	Confirmed
Jun 05 1942	Teller, Willard A.	Appointed Presidential
Jun 29 1942	Teller, Willard	Commissioned
Sep 30 1954	Connett, Francis M.	Assumed charge
Nov 18 1954	Connett, Francis M.	Acting
Jan 25 1956	Downing, Earl K.	Nominated
Apr 16 1956	Downing, Earl K.	Confirmed, Appnted Presidential & Commissioned
Jun 1 1956	Downing, Earl K.	Assumed charge
Mar 8 1957	Connett, Francis M.	Assumed charge
Mar 12 1957	Connett, Francis M.	Acting
May 9 1957	Connett, Francis M.	Nominated
Aug 5 1957	Connett, Francis M.	Confirmed
Aug 6 1957	Connett, Francis M.	Appointed Presidential & Commissioned
Sep 30 1966	Burnaugh, Harold L.	Acting
Mar 17 1967	Ryan, Arthur P.	Acting
Jan 10 1969	Burnaugh, Harold L.	Acting
Dec 4 1970	Davis, Ernest O.	Acting
Aug 13 1971	Greene, Jay D.	Officer in charge
Nov 27 1971	Shoates, Robert J.	Appointed and assumed charge
Jan 24 1976	Duenwald, Royal A.	Officer in charge
May 21 1977	Nix, Elwyn C.	Officer in charge
Oct 22 1977	Cordova, Serafin	Officer in charge
Jun 3 1978	Holder, Kenneth W.	Appointed
Dec 29 1980	Smith, Kenny E.	Officer in charge

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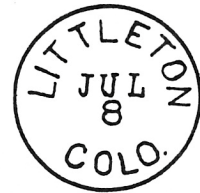
Confirmed types of postal markings

1	Littleton Col MS	Mscp Pen cancel	Apr 8 1872
2	LITTLETON / COL. CI 10P 25.0	Hstp Cork, smudge; Target	May 3 187? Apr 18 1874
3	LITTLETON / COLO. CI 10P 24.0	Hstp Target, 4-ring; cork, smudge	Jul 8 1876
4	LITTLETON / COLO. CI 21P 35.0/33.0/23.5	Hstp Cork, smudge	Apr 5 1880 Apr 14 1880
5	LITTLETON / COLO. CI 10P 29.0	Hstp Fancy, positive star	Jun 11 1882 Mar 16 1883
6	LITTLETON, / COLORADO. CI 21P 37.5/36.0/21.5	Hstp Not recorded	Mar 12 1885
7	LITTLETON, / COLO. CI 20P 28.0/26.0	Hstp Cork, Negative X-roads with center dot; Target, 3 ring	Mar 24 1886 Jun 16 1888
8	LITTLETON, / COLO. CI 20P 31.0/28.0	Hstp Cork, negative X-roads	Jul 10 1890 Mar 5 1892
9	LITTLETON / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Hstp Cork, negative X-roads, Grid	Mar 26 1893 Oct 14 1898
10	LITTLETON, / COLO. // R. F. D. :: 1 SL 00R 27.0x16.0	RFD 5 bars with 1	Apr 5 1902 Aug 3 1903
11	LITTLETON / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Dplx Grid, 9 bar oval	Mar 9 1910 Jan 28 1913
12	LITTLETON, / COLO. RC 10P 42.0x21.0	Hstp No killer	May 25 1918
13	LITTLETON, COLO. CI 10P 20.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	Mar 26 1932 Jan 14 1943
14	LITTLETON / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Dplx Grid, oval with 1 and circle	Sep 13 1934 Jul 6 1938
15	LITTLETON, COLO. / REGISTERED CI 11P 28.0/19.0	Hstp No killer	Jan 21 1941
16	LITTLETON / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Dplx Grid, pointed oval with 1	Oct 5 1942 Mar 26 1952
17	LITTLETON, COLO. CI 10P 21.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	Oct 9 1946 Jul 24 1958
18	LITTLETON / COLO. CI 10P 21.0	Mach Slogan in box with bars; PRAY / FOR / PEACE	Jan 2 1959 Feb 29 1960
19	LITTLETON. COLO. 1 CI 11P 35.0/27.0	Hstp No killer	May 21 1959 Jun 18 1966
19.1	LITTLETON / COLO. CI 10P 20.5	Mach 6 wavy lines	May 15 1962 Dec 26 1965
20	LITTLETON, CO / 80120 CI 10P 21.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	Nov 18 1966 May 6 1971
21	LITTLETON, CO / 80120 CI 10P 22.0	Mach 6 wavy lines; small "80120"	Jun 30 1968 Jul 30 1968
22	LITTLETON, COLO. CI 11P 31.0/22.5	Rolr 6 wavy lines	Jul 18 1968
23	LITTLETON, / CO CI 10P 21.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	Dec 22 1971 Dec 27 1971
24	LITTLETON, COLO. 80120 CI 11P 32.0/23.0	Rolr 6 slanted wavy lines	Dec 19 1975

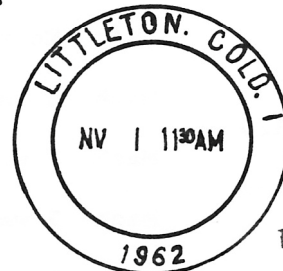
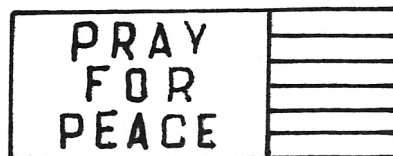
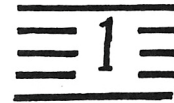
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Littleton Col
April 8th 1892



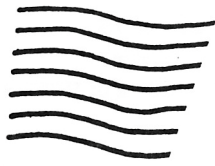
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LITTLETON,
APR 5 1902
COLO.



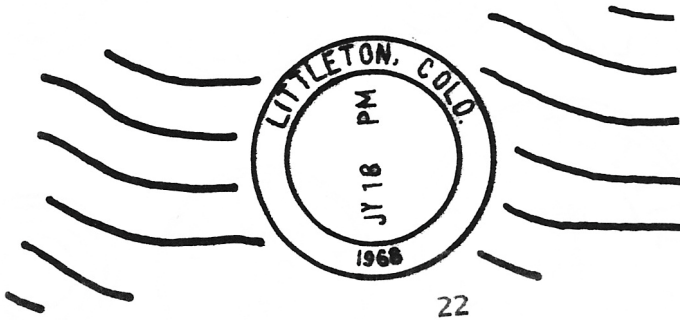
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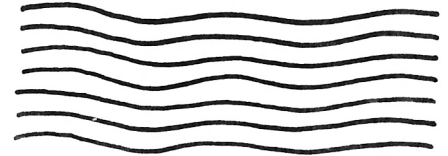
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LITTLETON BRANCHES AND STATIONS

CONTRACT STATION 1

Chronology of the Post Office

- Jan 1 1965 Established as a Station of Littleton - 100 Woodlawn Center
- Jul 1 1966 Operation ceased
- Mar 31 1969 Officially closed
- Nov 1 1985 Reopened - Cherry Creek Marketplace
- Sep 1 1987 910 South University Boulevard #E-5 Heritage Cleaners

Confirmed types of postal markings

- 1 LITTLETON, CO STA 1 / USPO Apr 15 1987
 CI 11P 29.0/19.0 Hstp No killer
- 2 LITTLETON, CO CONTRACT STA. 1 / USPS Jan 18 1992 Apr 17 1995
 CI 11P 30.0/19.0 Hstp No killer



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CONTRACT STATION 2

Chronology of the Post Office

- Jan 1 1966 Established as a Station of Littleton - 112 West Littleton Boulevard
- May 19 1980 Woodlawn Shopping Center

LITTLETON BRANCHES AND STATIONS - Continued

CONTRACT STATION 2 - Continued

Confirmed types of postal markings

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|---|---|----------------|------------------------|
| 1 | LITTLETON, CO STA. 2 / USPO
CI 11P 29.0/19.0 | Hstp No killer | Mar 20 1986 |
| 2 | LITTLETON, CO CONTRACT STA 2 / USPS
CI 11P 29.0/19.0 | Hstp No killer | Apr 8 1987 Nov 17 1988 |



CONTRACT STATION 3

Chronology of the Post Office

May 3 1988 Established as a Station of Littleton - 6905 South Broadway # 159, Ace Hardware

Confirmed types of postal markings

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|---|---|----------------|------------------------|
| 1 | LITTLETON, CO CONTRACT STA 3 / USPS
CI 11P 29.0/19.0 | Hstp No killer | Dec 7 1988 Apr 15 1993 |
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CONTRACT STATION 4

Chronology of the Post Office

Oct 1988 Established as a Station of Littleton - 7148 East County Line Road, Shelley's Inc.
>Sep 1989 Closed

Confirmed types of postal markings

- | | | | |
|---|---|----------------|--------------|
| 1 | LITTLETON, CO CONTRACT STA 4 / USPO
CI 11P 30.0/20.0 | Hstp No killer | Mar 19, 1984 |
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LITTLETON BRANCHES AND STATIONS - Continued

CONTRACT STATION 5

Chronology of the Post Office

Oct 12 1984 Established as a Station of Littleton - 46 Springer Drive
Jan 20 1987 Became Highlands Ranch Station - 42 Springer Drive, Video Exchange

Confirmed types of postal markings

1 LITTLETON, CO CONTRACT STA. 5 / USPS Apr 14 1993
 CI 11P 30.0/20.0 Hstp No killer



CONTRACT STATION 6

Chronology of the Post Office

Mar 2 1983 Established as a Station of Littleton - 7976 South Depew, Gigantic Cleaners

Confirmed types of postal markings

1 LITTLETON CO CONTRACT STA 6 / USPS Apr 15 1993
 CI 11P 30.0/19.0 Hstp No killer



CONTRACT STATION 10

Chronology of the Post Office

----- Established as a Station of Littleton

Confirmed types of postal markings

1 LITTLETON CO // CONTRACT STA 10 / USPS Dec 1 1999
 CI 11P 30.0/20.0 Hstp No killer



LITTLETON BRANCHES AND STATIONS - Continued

BROOKRIDGE BRANCH**Chronology of the Post Office**

Oct 1 1960	Established as a Branch of Littleton - 5180 South Broadway
Jan 31 1962	Closed
Apr 16 1962	Reopened - 5130 South Broadway
Jan 21 1966	Became a Contract Station of Englewood

Confirmed types of postal markings

1	LITTLETON, COLO. / BROOKRIDGE BR. CI 11P 28.0/18.0	Oct 1 1960 Hstp No killer
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C.O.D. STATION**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jan 15 1949	Established as a Station of Littleton
1951	Closed

Confirmed types of postal markings

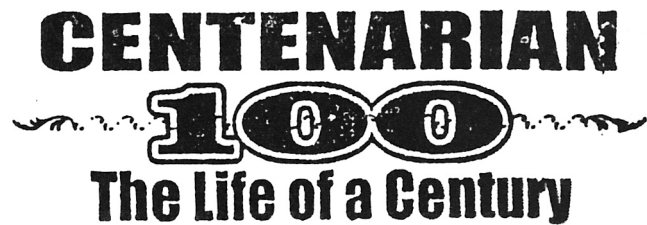
NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM C.O.D. STATION

CELEBRATE THE CENTURY STATION**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jun 15 2000	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
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Confirmed types of postal markings

1	Littleton, CO 80120 // Celebrate the Century Station SL 00R 99.5x38.0	Jun 15 2000 Pict Text only - CENTENARIAN / -- 100 -- / The Life of a Century
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June 15, 2000 · Celebrate the Century Station Littleton, CO 80120

LITTLETON STATIONS AND BRANCHES - Continued

CENTENNIAL BRANCH

Chronology of the Post Office

May 16 1960 Established as a Branch of Littleton - 5050 South Federal Boulevard
Jul 1 1962 Became a Contract Branch of Englewood

Confirmed types of postal markings

1 LITTLETON, COLO. / CENTENNIAL BR. May 16 1960
 CI 11P 28.0/18.0 Hstp No killer



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CHERRELYN PHILATELIC EXHIBITION STATION

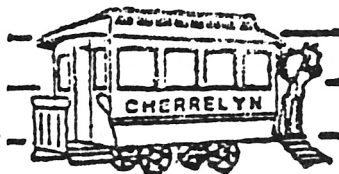
Chronology of the Post Office

Feb 12, 1995 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

Confirmed types of postal markings

21 LITTLETON, CO. 80123 // CHERPEX XXI / SHOW STATION Feb 12 1995
 IR 00R 91.0x21.0 Pict Scene - Cherrelyn horse car at right

*CHERPEX XXI
SHOW STATION
FEB. 12, 1995
LITTLETON, CO. 80123*



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COLUMBINE HILLS BRANCH

Chronology of the Post Office

--- 1983 Formerly Governors Ranch Branch - 6698 South Iris Street

Confirmed types of postal markings

1 LITTLETON, CO COLUMBINE HILLS BR. / USPO May 21 1985 May 21 1985
 CI 11P 29.5/19.0 Hstp No killer
2 LITTLETON, CO COLUMBINE HILLS BR. / USPS Jun 3 1991
 CI 11P 29.0/19.0 Hstp No killer



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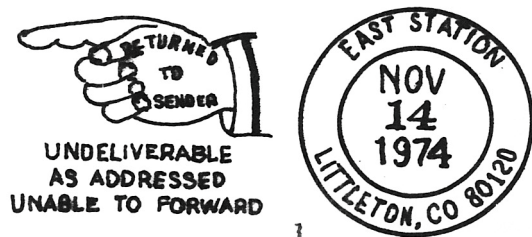
EAST STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

--- ???? Established as a Station of Littleton - 159 West Ridge Road
Jul 1 1976 Closed

Confirmed types of postal markings

1 LITTLETON, CO 80120 // EAST STATION Nov 14 1974
CI 11P 30.0/20.0 Hstp No killer; with attached pointing hand, Returned to Sender



FARM CREST COMMUNITY POSTAL UNIT

Chronology of the Post Office

----- Established as a Community Postal Unit of Littleton

Confirmed types of postal markings

1 LITTLETON, CO 801 // FARM CREST CPU / USPS May 2 2005
CI 11P 29.0/19.0 Hstp No killer



GOVERNORS RANCH BRANCH

Chronology of the Post Office

----- Established as a Branch of Littleton
--- 1983 Became Columbine Hills Branch

Confirmed types of postal markings

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM GOVERNORS RANCH BRANCH

HIGHLANDS RANCH STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

--- 1983 Established as a Station of Littleton
The original location was in a trailer on old Phipps Ranch Road at the
Highlands Ranch Convenience Center
Oct 12 1984 See Contract Station Number 5 - 46 West Springer Drive
Dec 20 1987 Re-designated as Highlands Ranch Branch

**LITTLETON STATIONS AND BRANCHES - Continued
HIGHLANDS RANCH STATION - Continued**

Confirmed types of postal markings

- 1 LITTLETON, CO HIGHLANDS RANCH STA. / USPO Apr 25 1984 Apr 15 1987
CI 11P 29.0/19.0 Hstp No killer



HIGHLANDS RANCH BRANCH

Chronology of the Post Office

Dec 20 1987 Established as a Branch of Littleton

Confirmed types of postal markings

- 2 LITTLETON, CO HIGHLANDS RANCH / USPS Apr 17 1995
CI 11P 29.0/19.0 Hstp No killer
3 LITTLETON CO HIGHLANDS RANCH BR / 80126 Apr 17 1995 Sep 6 1996
CI 10P 32.0 4bars S-24x16mm



HOWELLS STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

>>> 1985 Established as a Station of Littleton

Confirmed types of postal markings

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM HOWELLS STATION

KEN CARYL STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

----- Established as a Branch of Littleton

Confirmed types of postal markings

- 1 LITTLETON CO // KEN CARYL BR / USPS Sep 8 2000
CI 11P 30.0/20.0 Hstp No killer



LITTLETON STATIONS AND BRANCHES - Continued

MAIN OFFICE STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

----- Established as a Station of Littleton

Confirmed types of postal markings

- 1 LITTLETON, CO MAIN OFFICE STA. / USPS Apr 14 1993 Jun 1 1993
CI 11P 28.0/19.0 Hstp No killer



ORCHARD PLAZA STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

Mar 1 1965 Established as a Station of Littleton - 5910 South University Boulevard

Confirmed types of postal markings

- 1 LITTLETON, COLO. ORCHARD PLAZA STA / USPO Feb 5 1970
CI 11P 30.0/20.0 Hstp No killer
- 2 LITTLETON, COLO. ORCHARD PLAZA BR / USPO Apr 27, 1984
CI 11P 29.0/19.0 Hstp No killer



SOUTHGLENN BRANCH

Chronology of the Post Office

Jul 1 1977 Established as a Branch of Littleton - 2221 East Arapahoe

Confirmed types of postal markings

- 1 LITTLETON, CO SOUTHGLENN BR. / USPO Aug 22 1979 Jun 1 1993
CI 11P 28.0/18.0 Hstp No killer
- 2 LITTLETON CO SOUTHGLENN BR. / USPO Jun 4 1984 Apr 15 1987
CI 11P 29.0/19.0 Hstp No killer
- 3 LITTLETON, CO SOUTHGLENN BRANCH / USPS Mar 31 1995
CI 11P 29.0/19.0 Hstp No killer



LITTLETON STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued

WAL*MART STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

Apr 17 1999 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

Confirmed types of postal markings

- 1 LITTLETON, CO / 80126 :: WAL*MART / STATION Apr 17 1999
CI 10P 25.0 Pict Scene - Sylvester, Tweety, Daffy Duck,
Bugs Bunny



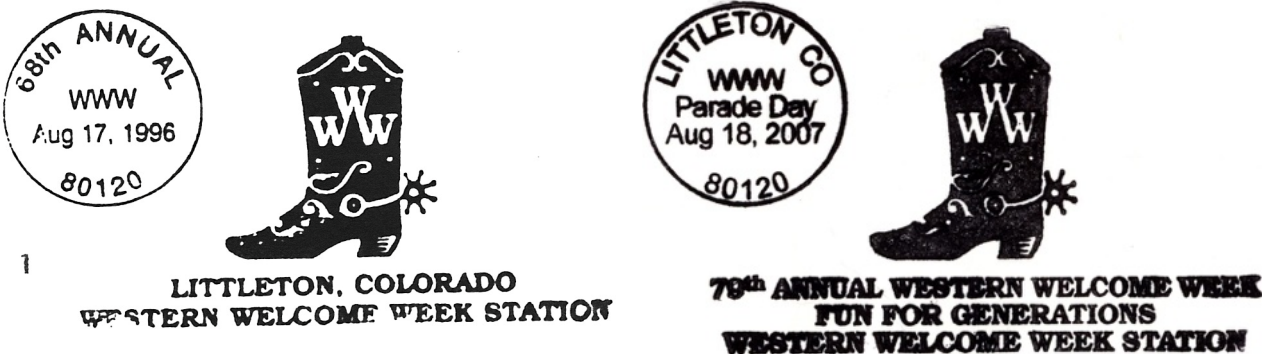
WESTERN WELCOME WEEK STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

Aug 17 1996 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

Confirmed types of postal markings

- 1 LITTLETON, COLORADO / WESTERN WELCOME WEEK STATION Aug 17 1996
CI 10P 27.0 Pict Scene - Western boot with initials "WWW";
cds contains text: 68th ANNUAL / WWW / 80120
- 2 LITTLETON CO / 80120 :: WESTERN WELCOME WEEK STATION Aug 18, 2007
CI 10P 27.0 Pict Scene - Western boot with initials "WWW";
cds contains text: WWW /Parade Day; below boot –
79th ANNUAL WESTERN WELCOME WEEK /
FUN FOR GENERATIONS



MELVIN

This place was originally associated with the Twelve-Mile House, so known for its location on the Smoky Hill Stage Road, twelve miles from Denver. John G. Melvin came to Colorado in July 1859. In 1864 he purchased the 320-acre Twelve Mile Ranch on Cherry Creek and developed a saloon and inn that became a popular stop on the stagecoach route.

MELVIN - Continued

Historical accounts attribute John Melvin to having served as postmaster for as many as twenty-five years. They also make the claim that the post office was in his saloon so that John Melvin could attend to his duties as both saloonkeeper and postmaster. These claims are somewhat at odds with the records of the Post Office Department.

Between 1869 and 1895 there were two post offices in the vicinity of the Twelve Mile House: Cherry Creek (1869-1886) and Melvin (1888-1895). John Melvin did serve as postmaster at both Cherry Creek and Melvin, but he was not the only postmaster for the two offices. From the records, he served three separate appointments, totaling about twelve years.

In 1881 the Denver and New Orleans Railroad began construction south from Denver. On November 17 tracklaying for the railroad reached the future location of Melvin and the vicinity of Twelve Mile House. At the time, the post office (Cherry Creek) was at Twelve Mile House, about a mile and three-quarters east-southeast of the site of Melvin. Cherry Creek was on the eastern side of the creek of that name. Melvin and the railroad were on the western side of the stream. Eventually the activity at Melvin, which had a railroad station, dominated the area. The Cherry Creek Post Office closed in 1886. When a new post office opened in 1888, it was at Melvin.

Beginning at Exit 199 on Interstate 25, drive east on Belleview Avenue to where the hike and bike trail in Cherry Creek Reservoir crosses Belleview Avenue. This is also the vicinity of the intersection with a south extension of Peoria Street. The site of Melvin was in the southeast quadrant of this intersection. The location is within the waterline of the Cherry Creek Reservoir and only some scattered fragments of concrete foundations remain.

Continue east on Belleview Avenue to Jordan Road and then southeast towards the site of the Cherry Creek Post Office.

Chronology of the Post Office

Dec 27 1887	---	NW/4 Sec 13 T5S R67W 1/2 mile west of Cherry Creek. East side of the Denver, Texas & Gulf RR
		Proposed postmaster - John Henry Hincke
May 4 1888		Established
May 4 1888		Hincke, John G.
May 7 1890		Melvin, John G.
Oct 24 1895		Dennee, William W.
Dec 26 1895		Discontinued Papers to Oakes

Confirmed types of postal markings

1 MELVIN / COLO. Jan 21 1889
CI 10P 28.0 Hstp Target, 4-ring



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PEORIA

Peoria was a railroad post office on the Union Pacific Railroad, approximately midway between Deer Trail and Byers. It seems likely that there was a small community gathered around the railroad station and a siding from which livestock and produce were shipped.

PEORIA - Continued

The Kansas Pacific Railroad built through the area in 1870 but it was not until after the turn of the century that a post office was established. The post office lasted for eight years and it is probable that the need for the office faded as the Rural Free Delivery System expanded.

It is believed that the settlement was named after Peoria, Illinois.

The site of Peoria is on the southwest side of Interstate 70 at Exit 322 on the northeast side of the railroad. Anything that might have remained has been obliterated by the construction of Interstate 70 and Exit 322. This location is near the large dog-racing track that has not been in operation for several years.

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Chronology of the Post Office

- Mar 3 1906 Established
- Mar 5 1906 Bailey, George W.
- Mar 9 1907 --- SE/4 Sec 20 T4S R60W 350 feet south to Union Pacific tracks and Peoria Flag station.
- Apr 24 1907 Goodale, Hildun L.
- Oct 12 1912 Gardner, Lella A.
- Jan 15 1914 Discontinued Mail to Byers

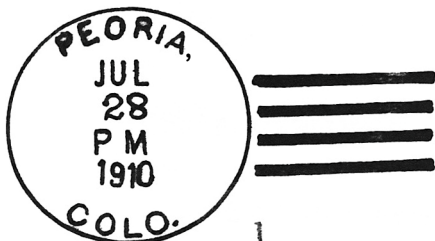
Confirmed types of postal markings

- 1 PEORIA, / COLO. Sep 13 1907 Jul 28 1910
 CI 10P 31.0 4bars P-23x14mm
- 2 PEORIA, / COLORADO. Jul 14 1911 May 4 1912
 CI 10P 32.0 4bars S-25x14mm



PEORIA, / COLO.

September 13, 1907



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PETERSBURGH / PETERSBURG

Petersburg was a community south of Denver. It was set along Santa Fe Drive in the area that is now the western portion of Englewood. One version places it between Hampden Avenue and Oxford Avenue and another version expands the extent to be from Yale Avenue to Belleview Avenue.

Peter Magnes, of Swedish ancestry, came to Colorado in 1859. He was involved in several agricultural pursuits. The first was the planting of sugar beets, which has led some to call him the “father of the beet sugar industry in Colorado.” In 1874 he built the Harvest Queen Flour Mill, which was a feature of the community until well into the twentieth century.

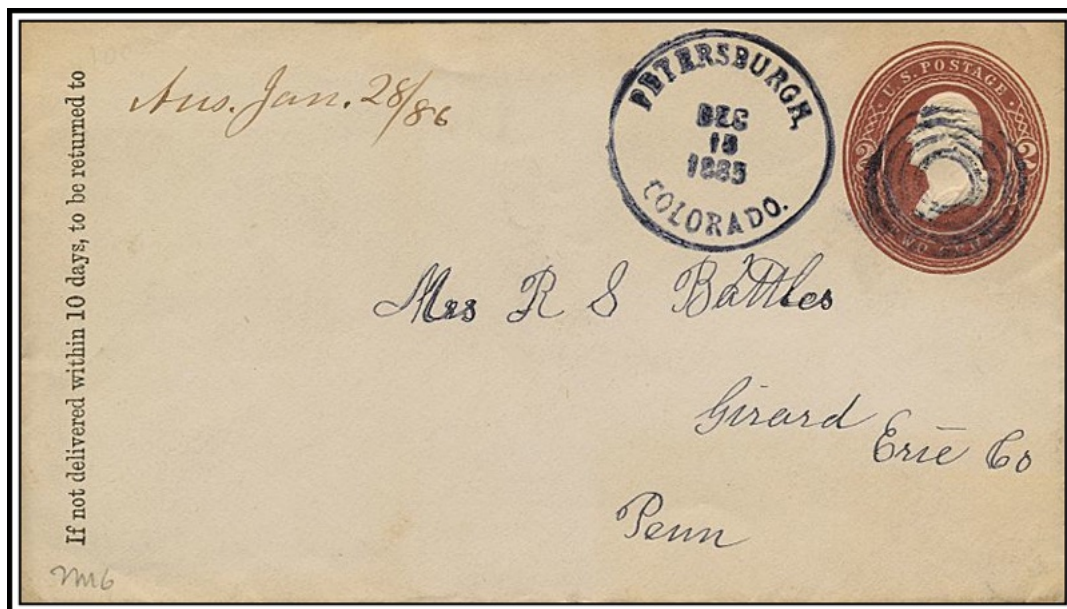
The name of the town reflects Peter Magnes’ first name. At some time in the early 1880’s the “h” was dropped from the end of the name. This is evidenced by postmarks but does not appear to have been an official action of the Post Office Department.

Peter Magnes filed the town plat for Petersburg on September 20, 1873. As the town grew, it gained a rather unsavory reputation. Located beyond the city limits of Denver it became home to a large roadside inn, Wyman’s, which was one of a row of roadhouses. Gambling flourished and there was other entertainment available for a price.

During the first decades of the twentieth century this was a source of constant friction with the police. In 1916, Petersburg was dealt a fatal blow - prohibition came to Colorado. It was the end of an era and Petersburg settled back towards its agricultural roots and to a slowly developing industrial zone along the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad and the Santa Fe Railroad.

The Post Office Department Geographical Site Location Reports place the Petersburg Post Office in the vicinity of the present day intersection of Hampden Avenue and Santa Fe Drive. The surrounding area is light industrial and it is questionable that any of the structures date from the nineteenth century.

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PETERSBURGH, / COLORADO.

December 18, 1885

Chronology of the Post Office

Mar 22 1876 ---	NW/4 Sec 4 T5S R68W West side of railroad (D&RG)
May 4 1876	Established
May 4 1876	Esbesson, Hans

PETERSBURGH / PETERSBURG – Continued

Jun 6 1876	Esbesson, Hans T.	
Jul 16 1877	Discontinued	
Jun 29 1880	--- NE/4 Sec 4 T4S R68W	
	West side of RR, 75 feet distance. Petersburg Station	
	Proposed postmaster - Adolph Candler, Sr.	
Jul 13 1880	Re-established	
Jul 13 1880	Candler, Adolph Sr.	
Dec 27 1899	Nash, Edward N.	
Jan 12 1900	Bean, Edward N.	
May 9 1904	Bussie, Idne M.	Declined
Dec 22 1904	Beyer, Frank M.	Declined
Jun 17 1905	Ordered discontinued	
Jul 14 1905	Discontinued Mail to Littleton	
Oct 15 1906	Re-established	
Jun 12 1907	Discontinued	

Confirmed types of postal markings

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| 1 | PETERSBURGH, / COLORADO.
CI 10P 29.0 | Nov 10 1883
Hstp Target, 4 ring 20mm |
| 2 | PETERSBURG / COLORADO.
CI 10P 29.0 | Nov 20 1887 Aug 28 1890
Hstp Target, 4 ring 20mm,
(may be earlier device with the "H" removed) |
| 3 | PETERSBURG / COLO.
CI 10P 27.0 | Jan 17 1896 Dec 24 1897
Hstp Target, 4-ring 17mm |
| 4 | PETERSBURG / COLO.
CI 10P 29.0 | Dec 29 1900 Dec 23 1903
Hstp Grid, 9 bar oval |
| 5 | PETERSBURG / COLO.
CI 10P 29.0 | Mar 7 1904 Oct 24 1904
Doane Type 2 with 3, S-24x14mm |



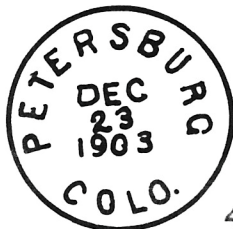
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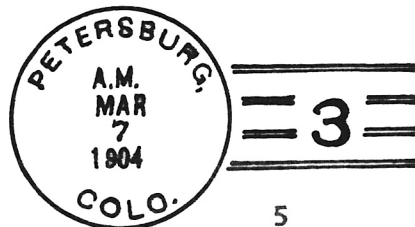
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SALEM

Salem is described as a rural post office, seven miles southeast of Watkins. The description as a rural post office is apt, as when I visited the area in 1998 the countryside was wide open rangeland with very widely scattered farms or ranches.

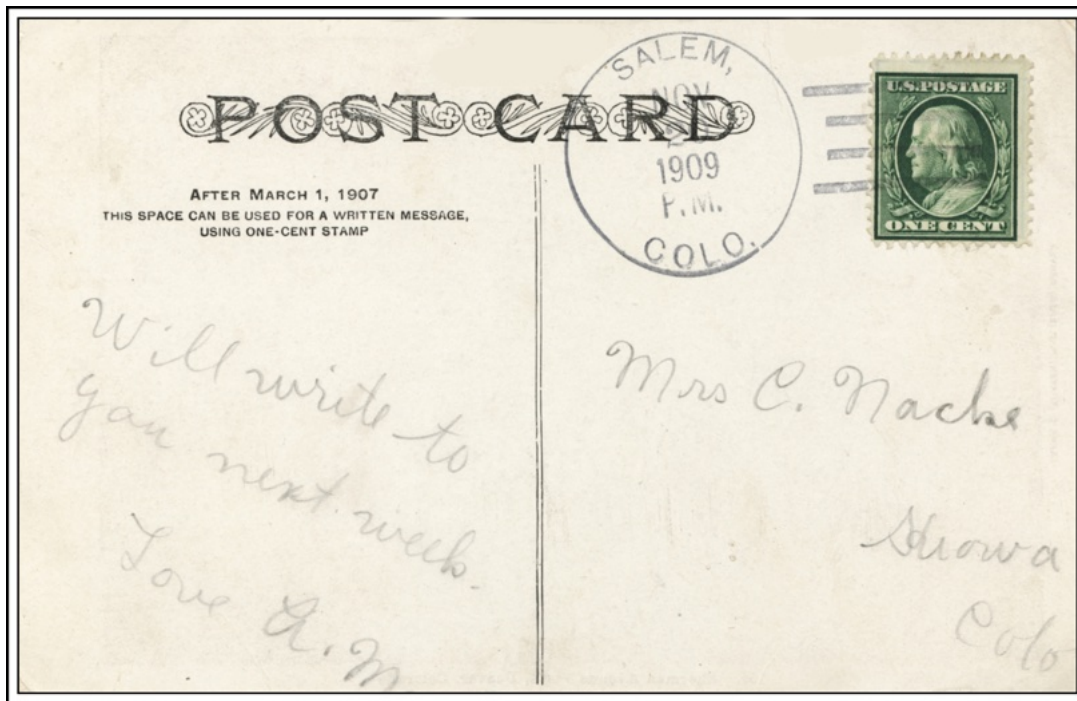
Salem appears to have been a second attempt to establish a post office in this sparsely populated portion of Arapahoe County. It was preceded by the Cary Post Office (1888-1890), which had been located about two miles southeast of Salem. Salem did survive for almost twenty-five years.

SALEM - Continued

I have found no information as to the source of the name.

From the site of Cary, on East Quincy Avenue, drive one mile further east to Watkins Road. Turn north two miles to Yale Avenue. Turn west three miles to a road that angles to the northwest along the east side of Coal Creek. Salem was located south of Yale Avenue near the bend in the road.

In 1998 there were no remaining structures, but there were a couple of places that showed evidence of previous activity. From the site of Salem, continue northwest to Jewel Avenue and then west to Colorado Highway 30 (Gun Club Road).



SALEM / COLO.

November 20, 1909

Chronology of the Post Office

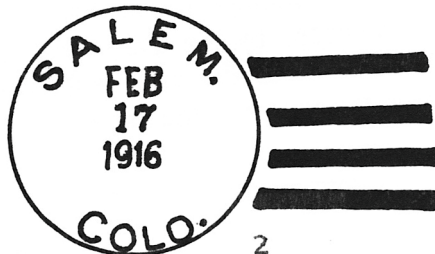
- May 7 1894 --- NW/4 Sec 34 T4S R65W 1/2 mile east of Coal Creek
Proposed postmaster - Nils Johnson
- Aug 28 1894 Established
- Aug 28 1894 Johnson, Nils
- Jul 8 1914 Goodale, Ellis
- Dec 1 1915 Campbell, Thomas F.
- Jan 15 1919 Discontinued Mail to Watkins

Confirmed types of postal markings

- 1 SALEM / COLO. Feb 11 1895 Jul 8 1899
CI 10P 28.0 Hstp Target, 4 ring 18mm
- 1 SALEM, / COLO. Feb 22 1908 Feb 17 1916
CI 10P 33.0 4bars S-24x20mm



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TABOR

The location of the Tabor Post Office is a mystery and it is questionable that it was ever in operation. I have found no reference to it in the Colorado History literature that I have read.

There is no Geographic Site Location Report on file and even though Tabor supposedly operated from August 1888 to April 1890 it was not included in the 1889 *Postal Guide*. That combination of facts allows me to suspect that this post office was never in operation.

It seems obvious that the place was named for H. A. W. Tabor, the famous "Silver King." Could it have been some development in which he had an interest?

Do not confuse this "Tabor" with the Tabor Post Office that operated in Lake County from 1879 to 1881.

Chronology of the Post Office

	No document was found in the Arapahoe County Geographic Site Location Reports	
Aug 20 1888	Established	
Aug 20 1888	Sacombe, Samuel H.	
Apr 11 1890	Discontinued	Not listed in postal guide

Confirmed types of postal markings

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM TABOR

WINNVIEW

In the spring of 1932 a young couple, named Winn, opened a small general store on the south side of US Highway 36, two miles west of the Arapahoe-Washington county line. A post office was acquired in 1933.

Plainview was the name requested for the post office, but that could not be used, as there was an operating Plainview Post Office in Jefferson County. Instead, the name Winnview was chosen.

It may seem surprising that this store/post office opened in the midst of the Dust Bowl years and the Great Depression. However, the new post office was fifteen to twenty miles from any other post office so apparently there was some need for a store and for postal facilities.

Two miles west of the county line, in a shallow road cut, US 36 crests a hill. In 1991 Jim Ozment and I stopped at the location. We climbed up the road cut to the fence line at the top and found a recently plowed field. We noticed a small area that had not been plowed and upon closer examination found the remains of the foundation for a building - all that remained of Winnview. This is just east of the intersection of Winnview Road, from the north, with US 36.

Chronology of the Post Office

Jan 25 1933	---	NW/4 Sec 2 T4S R57W	
		The sketch map places it on south side of US 36, just east of the intersection of a north-south section line road with US 36.	
Aug 14 1933		Established	
Aug 14 1933		Winn, Mrs. Vera V.	Confirmed
Sep 5 1933		Winn, Mrs. Vera V.	Commissioned
Sep 13 1933		Winn, Mrs. Vera V.	Assumed charge
Jul 19 1937		Connors, Mrs. Jessie W.	Confirmed
Aug 6 1937		Connors, Mrs. Jessie W.	Commissioned
Aug 20 1937		Connors, Mrs. Jessie W.	Assumed charge
Oct 20 1941	---	NW/4 Sec 2 T4S R57W	U.S.Highway 36 is 6 rods north of the post office.
			Wetzel Creek is 1 mile west and Beaver Creek 3 miles east of the post office
Oct 3 1942		Discontinued	Mail to Deertrail

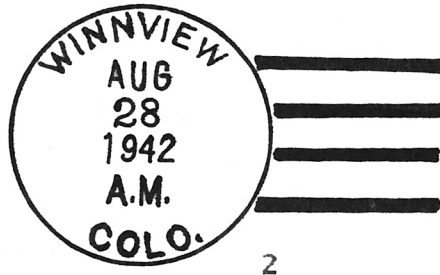
WINNVIEW - Continued



Winnview, Colorado: foundation remains on the south side of U.S. Highway 36
 Photograph by William H. Bauer September 4, 2000

Confirmed types of postal markings

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|---|----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | WINNVIEW, / COLO.
CI 10P 33.0 | 4bars S-25x19mm | Apr 3 1935 Jun 8 1936 |
| 2 | WINNVIEW / COLO.
CI 10P 34.0 | 4bars S-24x20mm | Jun 24 1940 Aug 28 1942 |



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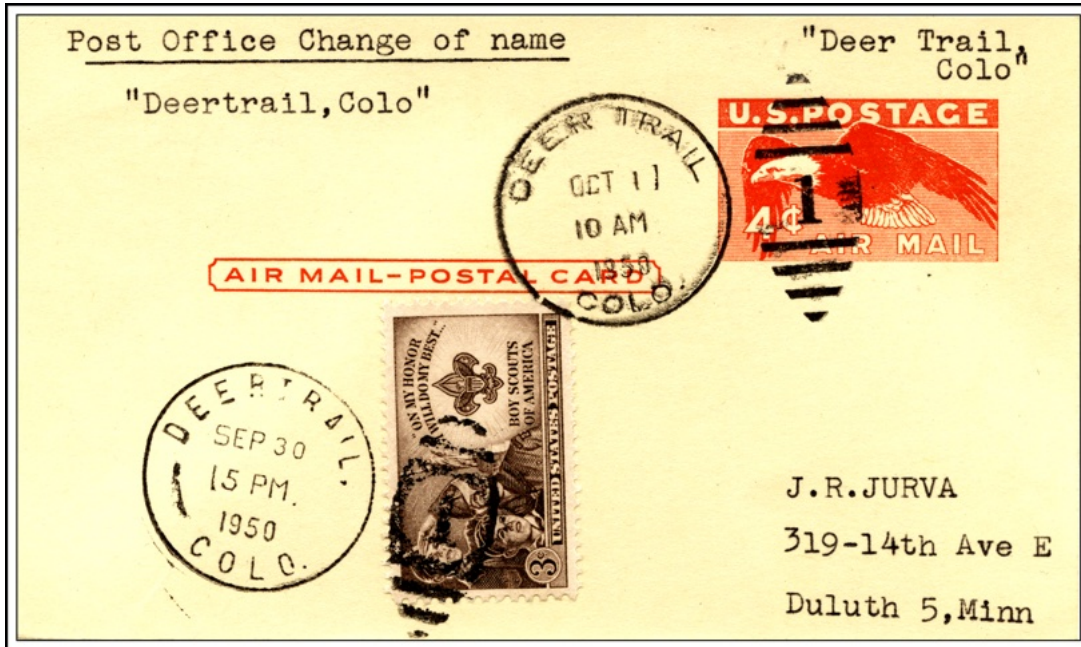
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GEOGRAPHIC SITE LOCATION REPORTS OF THE POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

These are documents filed with applications for the approval of a new post office, at the time of a move of a post office and upon periodic requests of the Post Office Department. The documents may include a detailed location using the Federal Land Survey System, reference of distance to local streams and rivers, to railroads and to nearby existing post offices.

A COVER GALLERY OF ARAPAHOE COUNTY



DEERTRAIL, / COLO.
September 30, 1950

DEER TRAIL / COLO.
October 1, 1950



ENGLEWOOD, / COLO. Oct 24, 1906 Doane Type 3 with 6



FORT LOGAN, / COLO.

April 7, 1941



LITTLETON / COL.

April 18, 1874



LITTLETON, / COLO. August 10, 1881



LITTLETON, / COLO. June 16, 1888



PETERSBURG / COLORADO. July 12, 1888 without final "H"