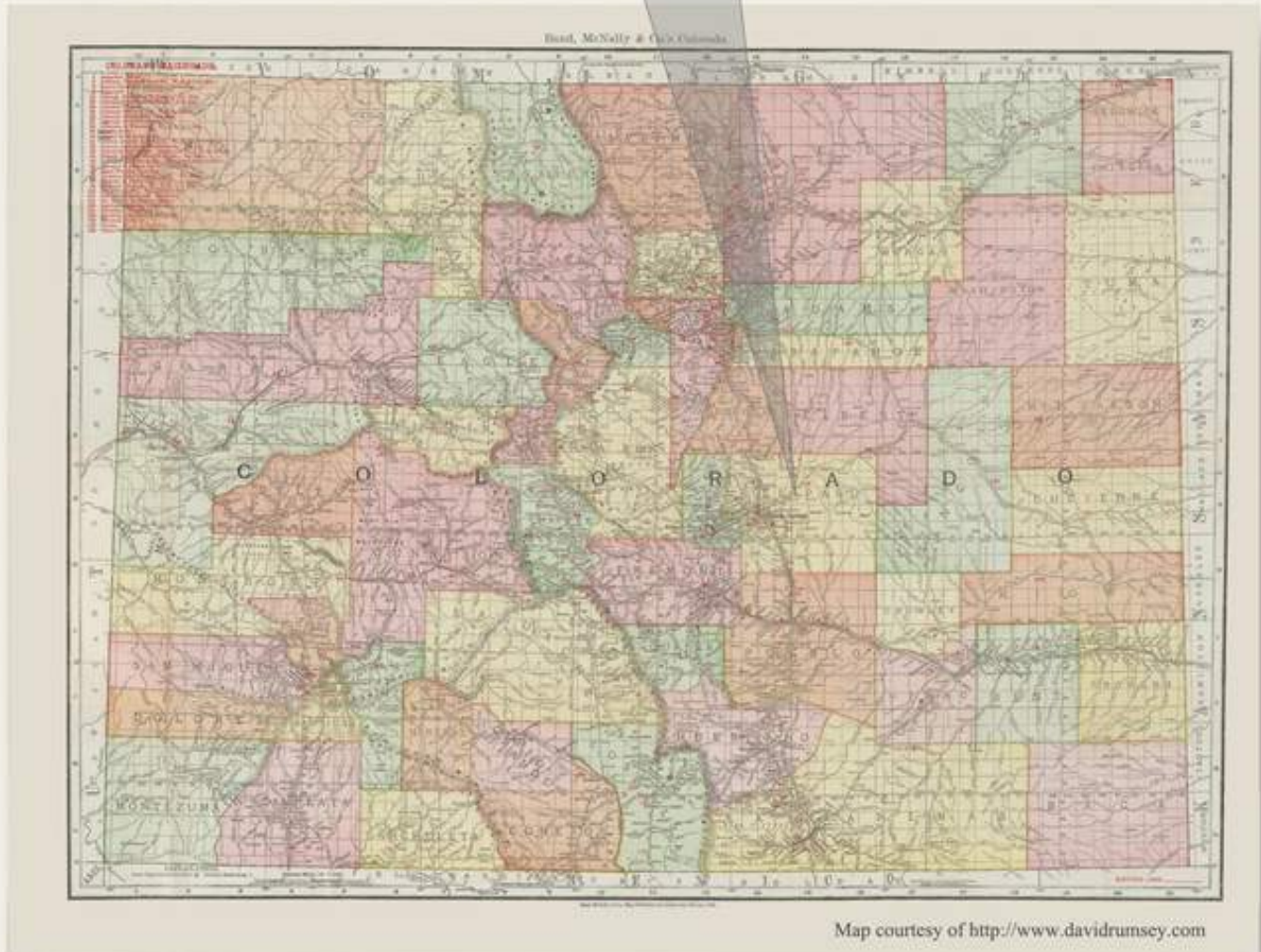


# El Paso County



*Established: November 1, 1861*

*County Seat: Colorado Springs*



## **EL PASO COUNTY**

By William H. Bauer

El Paso County was one of the original seventeen counties that were created by the Territorial Legislature on November 1, 1861. The name "El Paso" is Spanish, The Pass. This is a reference to Ute Pass, which was an important crossing of the Front Range of the Rocky Mountains. The Indian tribes travelling between the prairies and hunting grounds in the South Park first used the trail. Fur trappers used the trail and it became a major supply route for the gold mines that developed in the northern portion of the South Park. Thus it was natural that the trail would evolve into a path for the Colorado Midland Railroad and for US Highway 24.

When first created, El Paso County was nearly rectangular in shape. The dimensions were sixty-nine miles from east to west and forty-two miles from north to south. The boundaries remained unchanged until March 23, 1899 when Teller County was sliced from the western portion of El Paso County. This reduced the maximum east-west dimension from sixty-nine to fifty-three miles.

The northern boundary is a due east-west line shared with Douglas and Elbert Counties. The eastern boundary is a due north-south line, shared with Elbert and Lincoln Counties. The southern boundary is also an east-west line bordering with Pueblo County. The western boundary is an irregular north-south line shared with Teller County and a small section with Fremont County.

Topographically, the great majority of the county lies east of the Front Range of the Rocky Mountains. The far western portion climbs rapidly up the escarpment of the Front Range and includes the 14,110-foot summit of Pikes Peak. The eastern portion is composed largely of rolling prairie. The northern edge of the county is along the Monument or Palmer Lake Divide that separates the drainage of the Arkansas River from the drainage of the South Platte River. A narrow strip along the north edge does drain to the South Platte but most of the county drains south to the Arkansas River.

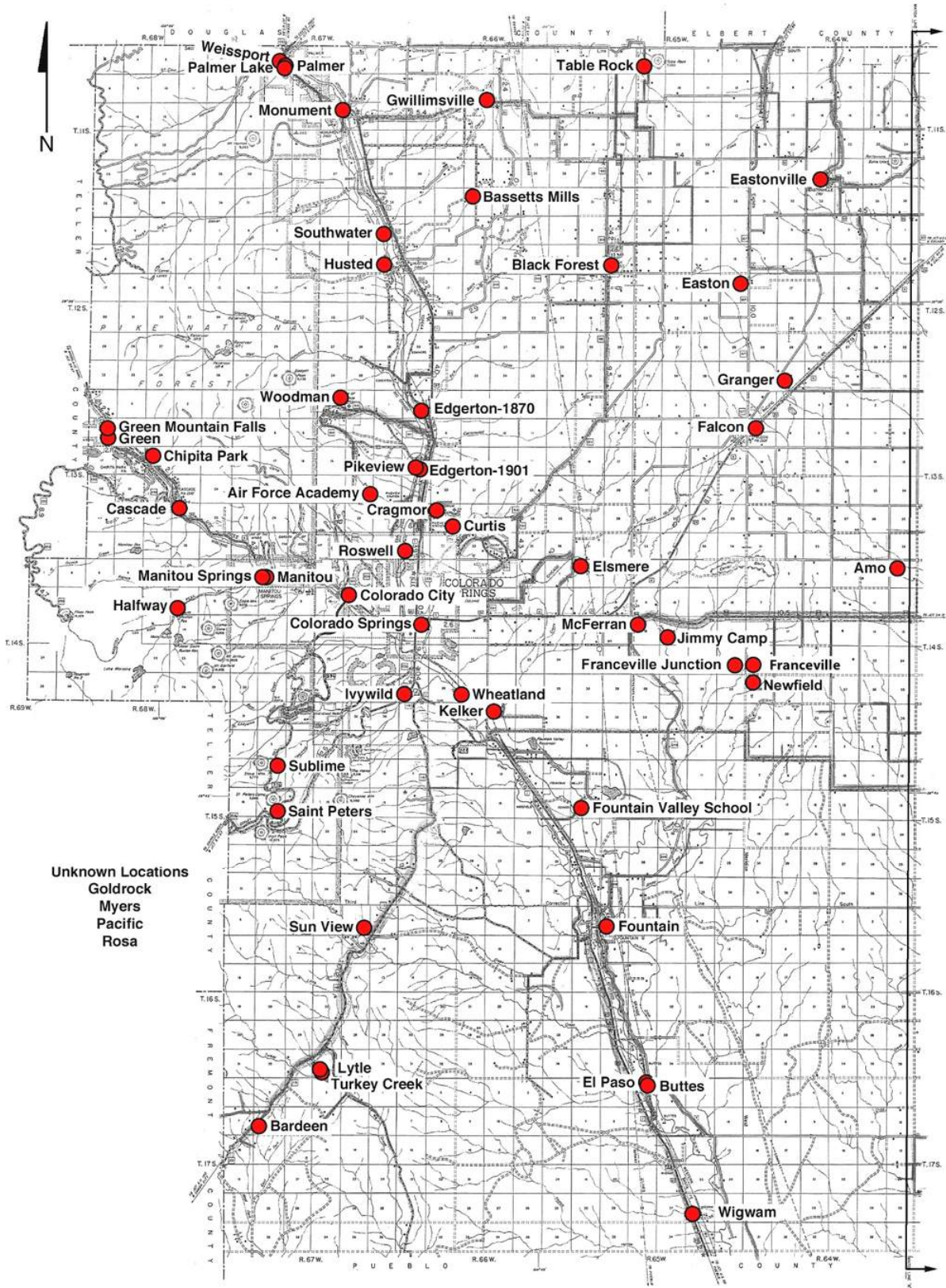
Fountain Creek is the principal stream within the county. It is joined by Monument Creek at Colorado Springs. French fur trappers originally named the stream "Fontaine Qui Bouille," a reference to the hot springs near present day Manitou Springs. The springs were a favorite with the Indian tribes who ascribed healing powers to the waters. With the arrival of white settlers, that belief would continue and lead to the development of tourist and resort communities along the upper reaches of Fountain Creek.

Travel in and through El Paso County has long been principally north-south along the base of the Front Range. The Cherokee Trail was perhaps the earliest of the trails from the Arkansas Valley northwards. Subsequently travel came south along Cherry Creek or Plum Creek, crossed over the Divide and followed Monument Creek to Fountain Creek and on to Pueblo and the Arkansas River. As previously mentioned, the Ute Pass Trail was the route into the mountains.

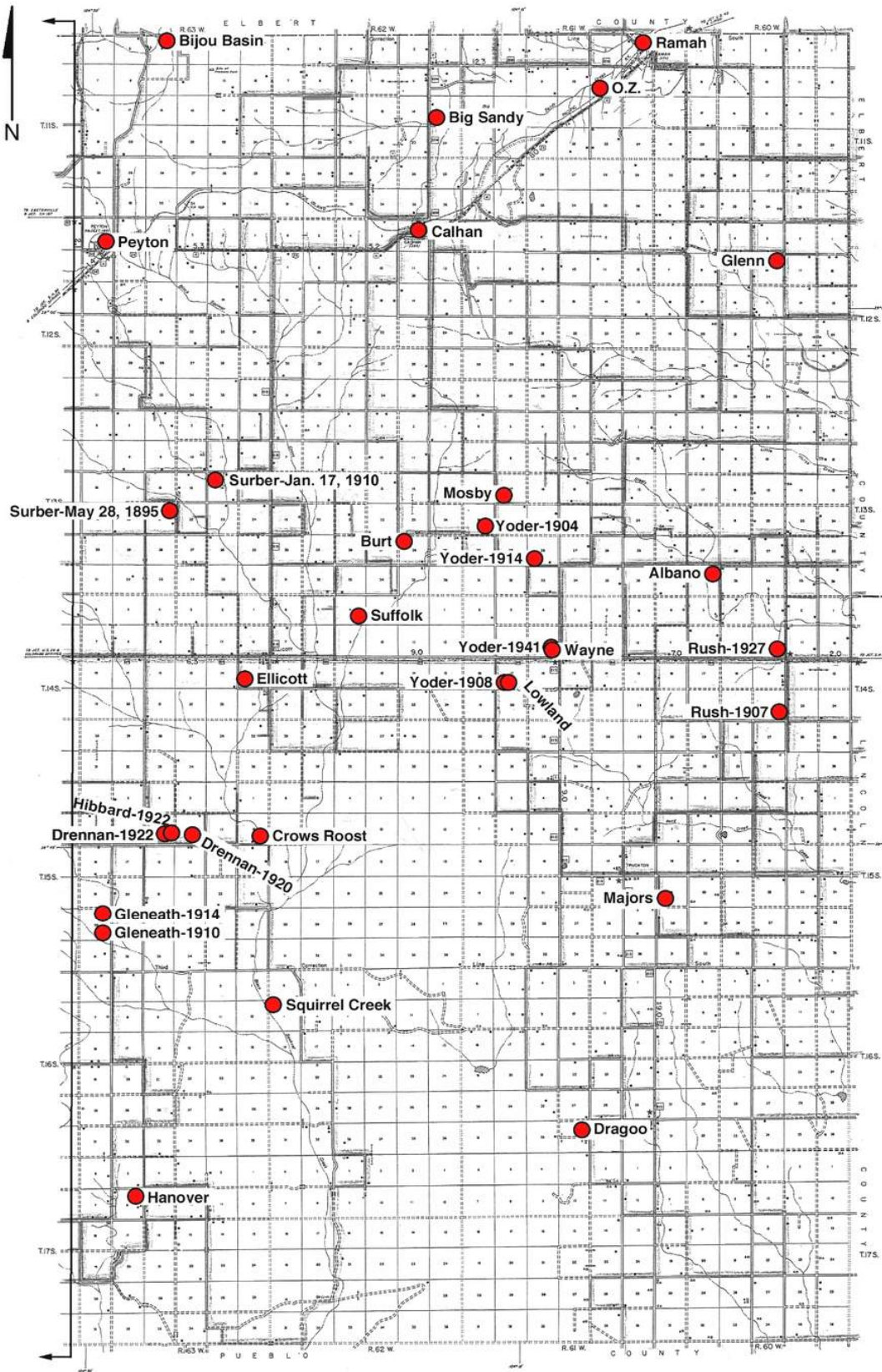
In 1870-1871 the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad came from Denver, over the Divide by way of Plum Creek. Later, the Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe built north from Pueblo along the same route. The Denver and New Orleans Railway (eventually becoming the Colorado and Southern) chose a route along Kiowa Creek to cross the Divide before turning towards Colorado Springs.

Another railroad that until recently served El Paso County was the Chicago, Kansas and Nebraska Railroad (more familiarly known as the Chicago and Rock Island), which extended its line south and west from Limon to Colorado Springs.

Two other railroads originated in El Paso County. The Colorado Midland Railroad that began at Colorado Springs, took a route up Fountain Creek, over Ute Pass and into the South Park. The Midland's destination was Grand Junction, which, with the help of the Rio Grande it eventually reached.



Post Office Location Map – Western El Paso County



Post Office Location Map – Eastern El Paso County

The Colorado Springs and Cripple Creek District Railroad climbed the face of the mountains and around the southern shoulder of Pikes Peak to reach the mines at Victor and Cripple Creek. When the rails were removed this became the Gold Camp Road, a popular tourist trip.

There was, and still is, one other railroad – the world-famous Manitou and Pikes Peak Cog Railway, which for more than a century, has departed from Manitou Springs and climbs to the 14,110-foot summit of Pikes Peak.

As transportation switched away from wagons to railroads and then to motor vehicles the same routes became highways. US Highway 24 paralleled the Rock Island and the Colorado Midland to cross the county from east to west. US Highways 85 and 87 are north-south routes that followed the paths of the Rio Grande and the Santa Fe. This route also became the alignment for the modern Interstate 25.

Colorado Highway 94 runs due east from Colorado Springs to join US Highway 40 near Aroya in Cheyenne County. Colorado Highway 115 curves southwestward from Colorado Springs around the southern end of the Front Range towards Canon City. There is an extensive and expanding network of county roads in the area east of the mountains.

The first settlements in El Paso County were where Fountain Creek exits the mountains. There, Colorado City became a rest and supply point for prospectors headed into the mountains. Colorado City was, for four days, the meeting place for the first Territorial Legislature before the delegates sought a livelier location at Golden City.

With the construction of the Denver and Rio Grande there was increased settlement along the route of the railroad. The Rio Grande established the city of Colorado Springs which soon became the population center for the county. Other towns developed along the Rio Grande and along the routes of the other railroads that traversed the county.

There was a period of homesteading and ranching in eastern El Paso County that fostered the establishment of a number of small towns. Most of these lasted for only a few years and were likely not much more than a convenient ranch that provided postal services and perhaps some limited supplies.

The economy of El Paso County has changed with the passage of time. Initially agriculture was important and it still plays a role in the eastern portion of the county. The development of Colorado Springs and Manitou Springs as tourist destinations and resorts soon became an important factor in the county's economy. During the height of the Cripple Creek mining, Colorado Springs was the location of a number of mills and smelters that processed ore from the mines.

Beginning during World War II the United States military became a major economic force in El Paso County. First was the establishment of what is now Fort Carson. Next to come was Ent Air Force Base, now Peterson Field. In 1954 the United States Air Force Academy was authorized to be built on a site north of Colorado Springs. During the Cold War, Colorado Springs was chosen as home to the United States Air Defense Command with its headquarters constructed deep within Cheyenne Mountain.

This military activity had additional consequences. It introduced Colorado to a large number of military personnel and many of them chose to return to the Colorado Springs area when they retired or left the military. This influx continues and is one of the driving forces behind the explosive growth of Colorado Springs and the I-25 corridor in El Paso County.

Many of the former military retirees brought with them a background in high technology and this has made the Colorado Springs area an attractive area for the development of high-tech industries.

Since 1861, El Paso County has grown from a sparsely populated rural county into a major metropolitan area and that growth is likely to continue.

**ALBANO**

Albano was one of the group of rural post offices that existed in east-central El Paso County in the early years of the twentieth century. It seems likely that the need for these scattered post offices ceased as the Rural Free Delivery System developed and provided “at your doorstep” mail delivery to the scattered ranches and farms.

The Post Office Department Geographic Site Location Report indicates that the original request was that the post office be named Banner. That choice was denied, as at that time there was a Banner Post Office in San Diego County, California. When such a situation arose, another name would be chosen to avoid confusion between the common state abbreviations of Cal. and Col. I have found no information as to the reason for choosing Albano as a substitute.

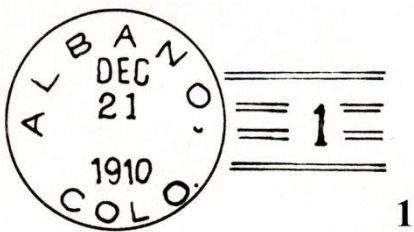
From Yoder drive east five miles on Colorado Highway 94 to the intersection with Harding Road. Alternatively, drive west two miles from Rush to Harding Road. Turn north on Harding Road three miles to a “T” intersection with Big Springs Road. At the southwest corner of the intersection there is a clump of trees, an old building and a working windmill (1994). This seems a likely position for the Albano Post Office.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jul 26 1904	---	NE/4 Sec 32 T13S R60W
		Proposed postmaster - Nelson J. Cozens
Oct 27 1904		Established
Oct 27 1904		Cozens, Nelson J.
Sep 19 1910		Weissenflush, Carl S.
Nov 30 1912		Discontinued Mail to Yoder

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	ALBANO, / COLO.	Feb 6 1905 Sep 17 1912
	CI 10P 28.0	Doane Type 2 with 1, S-24x13mm



**AMO**

Amo was a rural or ranch post office located fifteen miles east of Colorado Springs. This area is still largely grazing land, however there is a steady and growing influx of settlement expanding east from Colorado Springs.

According to the Colorado Writer’s Project, Amo is an Indian word meaning “bee”. In Spanish it means “master” or “owner”. The first translation seems more likely.

From Ellicott, drive west six miles on Colorado Highway 94 to Paddock Road. Turn north and drive to the end of Paddock Road. In 1997 this was a little over one mile and brings you into a ranch. This was the 1899 site of Amo. There is a large, relatively new building but there is an older building hidden behind it.

There was a second site for the Amo Post Office. Return to Colorado 94 and go west one mile to Slocum Road. Turn north and go two miles. The 1904 site of Amo was on the west side of Slocum Road. There is small ranch complex, with some older buildings, at that location.

## AMO – Continued

## Chronology of the Post Office

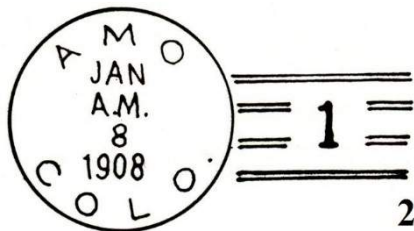
Mar 13 1899	---	NW/4 Sec 1 T14S R64W Proposed Postmaster - Mary Olive Curl
Apr 14 1899		Established
Apr 14 1899		Curl, Mary O.
Jan 29 1902		Curl, Asa
Mar 24 1904		McMillen, Kenneth E.
Jul 9 1904		Ordered closed
Jul 30 1904		Discontinued Mail to Falcon
Oct 25 1904	---	SE/4 Sec 35 T13S R64W 1/4 mile north of Sand Creek Proposed postmaster - Kenneth C. McMillen
Apr 28 1905		Re-established
Apr 28 1905		McMillen, Kenneth E.
Oct 13 1908		Daniels, Carrie M.
Feb 21 1911		Miller, Mary
Apr 16 1914		Slocum, Angeline C.
Jul 31 1916		Discontinued Mail to Peyton

## Confirmed types of postal markings

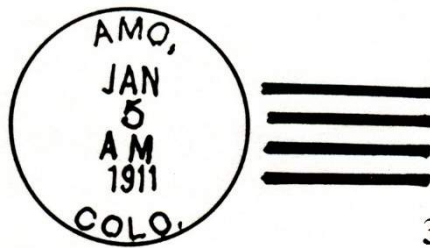
1	AMO / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Hstp Target	Dec 24 1903
2	AMO / COLO. CI 10P 29.0	Doane Type 2 with 1, S-24x13mm	Jan 8 1908 Jul 29 1910
3	AMO, / COLO. CI 10P 31.0	4bars S-23x13mm	Jan 5 1911 Jan 20 1915



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## BARDEEN

I have found no historical reference or description of this place. A 1922 map does show a Bardeen east of Buttes, but that does not correspond to the description provided by the Post Office Department Geographical Site Location Report.

The site location report indicates a preference that the post office be named Gustin. That may have been rejected to avoid confusion with a Gustine post office in Merced County California. In addition, be aware that there was a Bardine Post Office in Gunnison County from 1903 to 1908.

I have no information on the source of the name Bardeen.

The location provided by the Post Office Department is on Colorado Highway 115 approximately a mile and a half east of the El Paso-Fremont County line. By 2001 no remnants of any settlement were visible along the highway. It is grazing land with a few scattered trees. In addition, the land to the southeast of the highway is within the boundaries of the Fort Carson Military Reservation.

**BARDEEN – Continued**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Feb 2 1916 --- SW/4 Sec 8 T17S R67W 100 yards west of the East Branch of Red Creek  
Applicant for postmaster - Walter Scott Burns

Mar 7 1917 Established  
Mar 7 1917 Burns, Walter S.  
Aug 4 1922 Howk, Nellie M.  
May 7 1924 Ordered closed  
May 31 1924 Discontinued Mail to Colorado Springs

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1 BARDEEN / COLO. Dec 14 1923 May 23 1924  
CI 10P 32.0 4bars S-24x20mm



**BASSETTS MILLS**

Bassetts Mills was located about eight miles southeast of Monument. This settlement has been barely mentioned in the literature of Colorado history. From its location in the Black Forest region of northern El Paso County it seems possible that it was a lumber mill providing building material to the rapidly growing Denver.

Alden Bassett was the postmaster during both periods that a post office operated at this place; hence it is obvious that it was named for him.

Exit Interstate 25 at Monument. Drive south on the east frontage road to Higby Road. Turn east on Higby Road to Roller Coaster Road, about four miles. Turn south for one and one half miles. This should bring you to Stella Drive. Turn west on Stella Drive to Raton Road, to the south. Bassetts Mills was in the shallow valley to the southwest of this intersection.

There are a number of scattered homes in the valley but from the road most appear to be modern.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

May 12 1869 --- NW/4 Sec 33 T11S R66W On the east side of Smith Creek  
Document signed by Alden Bassett

Jun 15 1869 Established  
Jun 1 1869 Bassett, Alden  
Jan 4 1872 Moved to Southwater  
Mar 26 1872 Re-established  
Mar 26 1872 Bassett, Alden  
Sep 13 1872 Discontinued

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1 BASSETTS MILLS / COL. -----  
CI 10P 24.0 Hstp Not recorded  
[NOT AVAILABLE FOR ILLUSTRATION]

## **BIG SANDY**

Big Sandy was a rural post office located due north of Calhan. It was at the ranch owned by Jonathan English. Discontinued in 1877, it was re-established in 1882, apparently at the same location but now with Russell Gates as ranch owner and postmaster. Gates also ran a small store but when the Chicago, Kansas, and Nebraska Railroad (Rock Island Railroad) was extended from Limon to Colorado Springs, Gates moved his store and post office south to Calhan on the railroad.

The post office took its name from its location on Big Sandy Creek.

On the east edge of Calhan, drive north from US Highway 24 a little more than three miles to the crossing of Big Sandy Creek. Big Sandy was on the east side of the highway. There is a ranch complex there and an older house in a small group of trees.



**BIG SANDY, / COLO.**

**June 26, 1883**

### **Chronology of the Post Office**

Nov 27 1876	---	SW/4 Sec 13 T11S R62W 40 rods north of Big Sandy Creek
Dec 13 1876		Established
Dec 13 1876		English, Jonathan T.
Nov 6 1877		Discontinued
Jan 2 1882	---	SW/4 Sec 13 T11S R62W On the north side of Big Sandy Creek
		Proposed postmaster - Russell Gates
Jan 17 1882		Re-established
Jan 17 1882		Gates, Russell
Nov 24 1888		Moved to Calhan

### **Confirmed types of postal markings**

1      **BIG SANDY, / COLO.**  
          **CI 21P 27.5/26.0/17.0**

**Jun 19 1883 Feb 16 1887**  
**Hstp Target, 4-ring 18mm**

**BIG SANDY – Continued**



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**BIJOU BASIN**

Reportedly Bijou Basin is one of the few Colorado post offices that were located in two counties, not because of a subdivision of a county but because of a physical move. There is some support for this as it is listed in the Records of Postmaster Appointments under both El Paso and Elbert Counties. However, the only location confirmed by the Post Office Department Geographic Site Location Reports is in El Paso County, right at the county line. It is possible that a re-survey of the county line may have been the reason for the dual county listing.

Bijou Basin was established on the upper end of Bijou Creek at the ranch of Daniel Holden, who was the first postmaster. The area was primarily devoted to stock raising. The ranch became a way station and rest stop for posses and troops tracking Indians. It is possible that a small community did develop around the Holden Ranch.

From Peyton on US Highway 24 drive north on Peyton Highway. For a little more than three miles the road is due north but then begins to wander to the east-northeast almost to the county line. A quarter mile short of the county line there is a sharp turn to the west and then quickly back to the north. At that corner there is a large ranch with a very well-maintained house. The house has obviously been renovated but I believe it dates from an early period. From north of the county line the road wanders west to eventually intersect the Elbert Highway and from there north through Elbert to Kiowa Counties.

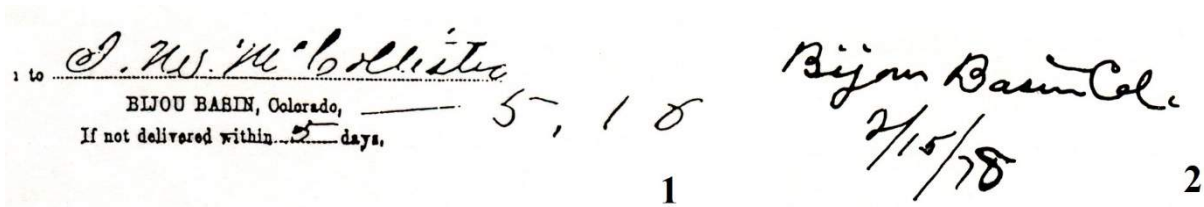
**Chronology of the Post Office**

- Oct 19 1866 --- Not reported The proposed post office is at the head of Bijou Creek**
- Apr 8 1869 Established Listed under both El Paso and Elbert counties in the 1866 Postal Guide**
- Apr 8 1869 Holden, Daniel M.**
- Jan 14 1871 Patterson, John A.**
- Apr 28 1876 Pettey, E. R.**
- Jun 2 1876 Pettey, Zachariah R.**
- Jul 3 1882 Discontinued Mail to Gomers Mills**
- Aug 2 1882 Re-established**
- Aug 2 1882 Sturdivent, Henry W.**
- Jan 11 1884 Sturdivent, Henry W.**
- Aug 26 1884 Discontinued Papers to Elbert**
- Jan 5 1885 --- NE/4 Sec 4 T11S R63W South side of Bijou Creek**
- Proposed postmaster - Enoch Mann**
- Jan 28 1885 Re-established**
- Jan 28 1885 Mann, Enoch**
- Dec 14 1885 Sturdivent, Henry W.**
- Sep 19 1890 Phillips, James O.**
- Jul 23 1898 Barlta, Mattie L.**
- Mar 16 1907 Ordered closed**
- Mar 30 1907 Discontinued Mail to Peyton**

**BIJOU BASIN – Continued**

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	Bijou Basin MS	May 18 18-- Corner card Pen cancel, town from corner card
2	Bijou Basin Colo MS	Feb 15 1878 Feb 11 1880 Mscp Pen cancel
3	BIJOU BASIN / COLO. CI 21P 31.0/29.0/17.0	Oct 1 1889 Hstp Target, on piece



*Bijou Basin Colo  
Aug 0th*

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**BURT**

The only mentions of Burt in the Colorado historical literature describe it as a rural post office. That description is consistent with its location on the open rangeland of eastern El Paso County.

The first and only, postmaster of Burt was one Daniel H. Burt, thus it seems the post office was given his family name.

There are a couple of routes to the site of Burt. If you are coming from the second site of Surber, go east on Falcon Road one mile to Ellicott Highway. Turn south three miles to Big Springs Road. Turn east three miles to Soapweed Road. Go north one mile to M. D. Jones Road, then east one mile to the location. There is an unmarked farm road to the south at this point.

A second route begins Colorado Highway 94 two miles west of Yoder. Drive north on Calhan Highway four miles to M. D. Jones Road and then west three miles to the location.

The location is reported as being in the southeast corner of this intersection but the only things present at the intersection are a line of trees and a group of recent buildings in the southwest corner.

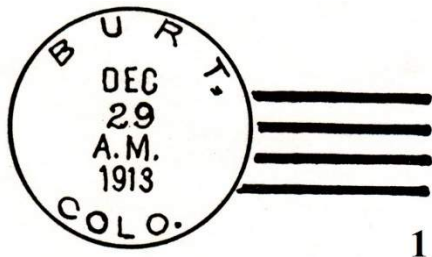
**Chronology of the Post Office**

- Dec 7 1909 --- NW/4 Sec 26 T13S R62W Bracket Creek is 2 miles northwest  
Applicant for postmaster - Daniel H. Burt
- Mar 24 1910 Established
- Mar 24 1910 Burt, Daniel H.
- Aug 15 1916 Discontinued Mail to Calhan

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	BURT, / COLO. CI 10P 30.5	Dec 23 1910 Aug 7 1914 4bars S-24x14mm
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**BURT – Continued**



**BUTTES**

Originally known as El Paso, this community gained importance with the arrival of the Denver and New Orleans Railroad. By 1888 the railroad had constructed a depot, section house, water tank and 3,250 feet of sidetrack. A small community did develop along the railroad, on the eastern side of Fountain Creek and south-southeast of the town of Fountain.

The simplest way to reach the site is to drive south from Colorado Springs on Interstate 25 to the southern exit for the Pikes Peak International Speedway. Turn left under the interstate, then turn right on Pikes Peak Meadows Road. This road curves to the east, crossing the railroad tracks becoming Old Pueblo Road, going north towards the village of Fountain.

At this point things become a bit confusing. At the time Buttes was in existence there were three different railroads with tracks south along Fountain Creek. The Santa Fe was on the west side of Fountain Creek from just south of Fountain. The Denver and Rio Grande came south on the east side of Fountain Creek and eventually crossed Fountain Creek a short distance south of the site of Buttes. The Denver and New Orleans Railroad (later the Colorado and Southern) also came south east of Fountain Creek from Manitou Junction and closely paralleled the Rio Grande south of Fountain. At Buttes the two railroads diverged, the Denver and New Orleans remaining east of Fountain Creek. To add a little further confusion to the situation, the modern USGS El Paso County Topographic Map (sheet 3) locates a Buttes where Pikes Peak Meadows Road turns east to cross the railroad and west of Fountain Creek. That location does not fit the description given in the Post office Department Geographic Site Location Report for the Buttes Post Office. That document clearly places the Buttes Post Office east of Fountain Creek, on the Denver and New Orleans Railroad. The Post Office location is on Old Pueblo Road, a little more than a mile north of the crossing of the tracks and just north of where that road crosses to the east side of Fountain Creek. In 1997 there were still signs of the railroad structures and even a sign noting it as Buttes.

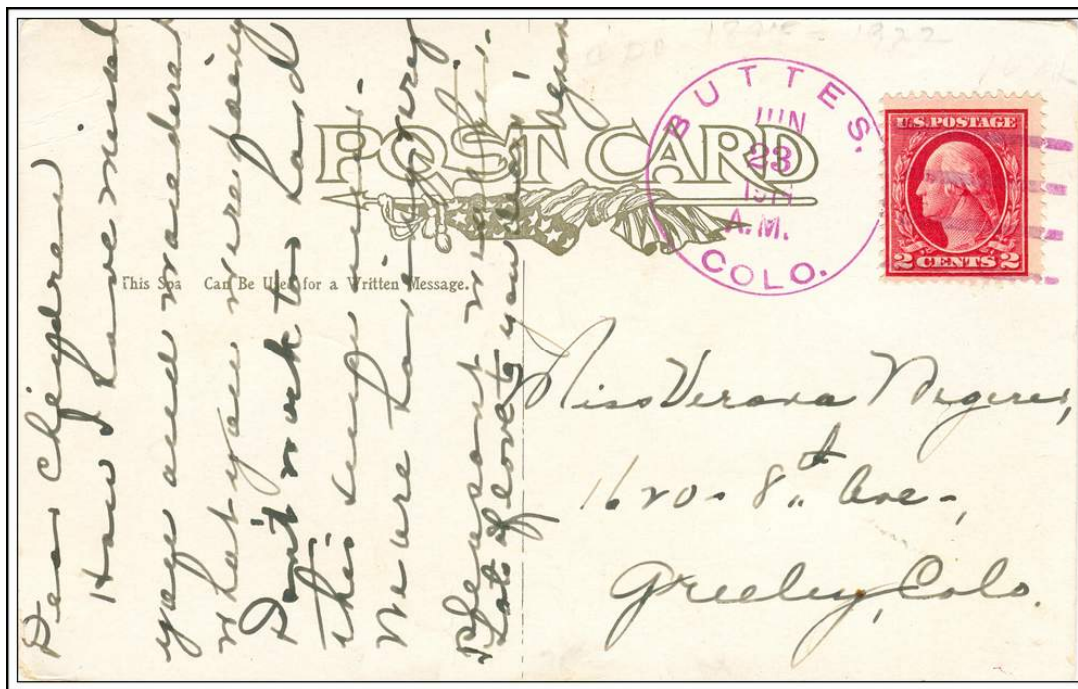
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**Chronology of the Post Office**

<b>Jul 2 1894</b>	---	<b>NE/4 Sec 4 T17S R65W 30 feet east of Fountain Creek 20 feet west of Denver &amp; Rio Grande tracks</b>	
		<b>Proposed postmaster - Lee A. Tanquary</b>	
<b>Jan 24 1895</b>		<b>Established</b>	
<b>Jan 24 1895</b>		<b>Tanquary, Lee A.</b>	
<b>Dec 4 1896</b>		<b>Reed, Charles C.</b>	
<b>Apr 1 1899</b>		<b>Childs, Charles C.</b>	<b>Appointment rescinded May 5 1899</b>
<b>Dec 4 1896</b>		<b>Reed, Charles C.</b>	
<b>Mar 14 1906</b>		<b>Shaw, Watson D.</b>	
<b>Jan 17 1913</b>		<b>Vaughn, Julius S.</b>	
<b>Jan 30 1915</b>		<b>Evans, J. F.</b>	

**BUTTES – Continued**

Nov 4 1915            Sutton, Leslie A.  
Apr 3 1920            O'Brien, Sylvester F.  
Apr 2 1921            Gross, Walter E.  
Apr 15 1922          Discontinued Mail to Pueblo



BUTTES, / COLO.

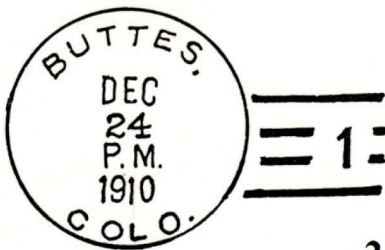
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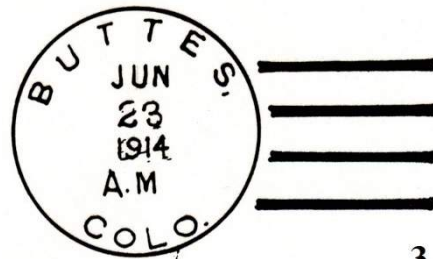
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| 1 | BUTTES / COLO.<br>CI 10P 28.0  | Hstp Target          | Dec 2- 1901 Aug 19, 1903 |
| 2 | BUTTES, / COLO.<br>CI 10P 31.0 | Doane Type 3 with 1; | Aug 26 1907 Sep 26 1911  |
| 3 | BUTTES, / COLO.<br>CI 10P 32.0 | 4bars S-24x20        | Jun 23 1914 Sep 30 1920  |



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**CALHAN**

Calhan is another of the communities in northeastern El Paso County that owes its status to the arrival in 1888 of the Chicago, Kansas, and Nebraska Railroad. In 1891 this railroad was absorbed into the Chicago, Rock Island, and Pacific, more familiarly known simply as The Rock Island.

**CALHAN – Continued**

Calhan began as a water tank station drawing water at a shallow depth from a branch of Big Sandy Creek. Calhan was platted in 1885 and incorporated in 1919.

It is claimed the name was originally spelled Calahan, for one of the contractors that built the railroad. For some reason the name was shortened to Calhan in the railroad's timetables.

In addition to supplying water to the railroad, Calhan was a supply and shipping point for surrounding ranches. With a small business district, it continues to provide services to the ranchers and to travelers on US Highway 24. There is also a growing residential area at Calhan and in the surrounding countryside.

Calhan is in northeastern El Paso County on US Highway 24, ten miles east of Peyton and seven miles southwest of Ramah.

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**Chronology of the Post Office**

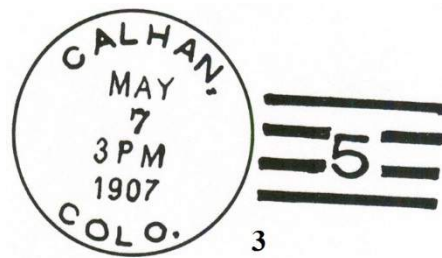
Jan 2 1882	---	SW/4 Sec 13 T11S R62W On the north side of Big Sandy Creek Proposed postmaster - Russell Gates
Nov 14 1888	---	NE/4 Sec 2 T12S R62W South side of Chicago, Kansas & Nebraska Railroad, 10 rods or less Proposed postmaster - Ellsworth Thornberry
Nov 24 1888		Moved from Big Sandy
Nov 24 1888		Thornbury, Ellsworth
Jun 19 1890		Sperry, Horatio G.
Jun 2 1894		Bates, William S.
Apr 23 1896		Petty, William A.
Nov 27 1897		Wood, Joseph H
Jun 21 1901		Sparkman, Augusta W.
Apr 18 1914	---	NE/4 Sec 2 T12S R62W One block south of C.R.I.& P. Railroad
Jan 1 1915		Office made Presidential
Mar 3 1915		Johnson, Milas N. P&S [Apptd by President & confirmed by Senate]
Aug 20 1919		Johnson, Milas N. P&S
Nov 10 1920	---	NE/4 Sec 2 T12S R62W South side of Bank St. (known as 4th St.) between Colorado & Denver Streets 565 feet south of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway.
Sep 1 1923		Hutson, Paul P. Acting
Dec 18 1923		Hutson, Paul P. Appointed
Dec 17 1923		Hutson, Paul P. P&S
Feb 15 1932		Hutson, Paul P. Nominated
Feb 26 1932		Hutson, Paul P. Confirmed
Apr 2 1932		Hutson, Paul P. Commissioned
Nov 21 1935		Funk, Mrs Christella N. Acting
Dec 2 1935		Funk, Mrs Christella N. Assumed charge
Apr 17 1936		Funk, Mrs Christella N. Nominated
Apr 22 1936		Funk, Mrs Christella N. Confirmed
Apr 25 1936		Funk, Mrs Christella N. Appointed Presidential
Jun 9 1936		Funk, Mrs Christella N. Commissioned
Apr 15 1940		Funk, Mrs Christella N. Nominated
Apr 24 1940		Funk, Mrs Christella N. Confirmed
Apr 29 1940		Funk, Mrs Christella N. Appointed Presidential
May 14 1940		Funk, Mrs Christella N. Commissioned
Oct 22 1941	---	NE/4 Sec 2 T12S R62W Chicago & Rock Island 500 feet north of post office
Nov 22 1946		Lemesany, Richard Ernest Acting
Nov 23 1946		Lemesany, Richard Ernest Assumed charge
Jan 30 1948		Lemesany, Richard Ernest Nominated
Jun 15 1948		Lemesany, Richard Ernest Confirmed

**CALHAN – Continued**

Jun 16 1948	Lemesany, Richard Ernest	Appointed Presidential
Jun 19 1948	Lemesany, Richard Ernest	Commissioned
Sep 30 1948	Lemesany, Richard Ernest	Assumed charge
Oct 15 1949	Wade, Mollie B.	Acting & Assumed charge
Aug 30 1950	Wade, Mollie B.	Nominated
Sep 11 1950	Wade, Mollie B.	Confirmed
Sep 16 1950	Wade, Mollie B.	Appointed & Commissioned
Oct 31 1950	Wade, Mollie B.	Assumed charge
May 12 1972	Walberg, Mrs. Elaine B.	Officer in charge
Jun 24 1972	Walberg, Mrs. Elaine B.	Assumed charge as postmaster

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

0.1	CALHAN / COLO. CI 10P 27.0	Nov 14 1889 Hstp Cork, 4-ring target
1	CALHAN / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Apr 8 1895 May 21 1903 Hstp Cork, 6-bar circular grid; circle of wedges; smudge
2	CALHAN, COLO. / REC'D. CI 10P 32.0	Sep 23 1906 Nov 10 1908 Hstp No killer
3	CALHAN, / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Jun 26 1906 Dec 17 1912 Doane Type 3 with 5; S-24x13mm
4	Calhan / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Mar 2 1915 May 4 1942 Dplx Grid, 9 bar oval
5	CALHAN / COLO. CI 10P 22.0	Mar 19 1924 Aug 7 1944 Mach 7 wavy lines
6	CALHAN, COLO. / M.O.B. CI 11P 30.0/19.0	Jul 16 1934 Hstp Not recorded
7	CALHAN / COLO. SL 10P 38.0x15.0	Jul 16 1934 Rolr
8	CALHAN / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Apr 19 1942 Oct -- 1952 Dplx Grid, diamond with 1
8.1	CALHAN / COLO. SL 10P 39.0x20.0	----
9	CALHAN / COLO. CI 10P 24.0	Jan 28 1955 Jun 6 1956 Mach 7 wavy line
10	CALHAN, / COLO. CI 10P 23.0	Feb 11 1963 Dec 13 1965 Mach 7 wavy line
11	CALHAN, CO / 80808 CI 10P 23.0	Aug 30 1968 Jul 7 1972 Mach 7 wavy line
12	CALHAN, CO / 80808 CI 10P 32.0	Dec 30 1967 Oct 29 1976 4bars S-24x20mm
13	CALHAN CO / USPO CI 11P 29.0/19.0	Apr 20 1991 May 29 1993 Hstp No killer
14	CALHAN CO / USPS - 80808 CI 11P 35.0/23.0	Sep 26 2001 Aug 2 2005 Hstp No killer



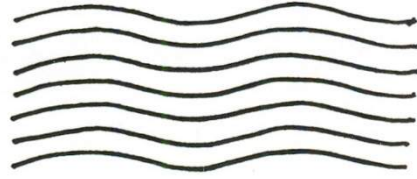
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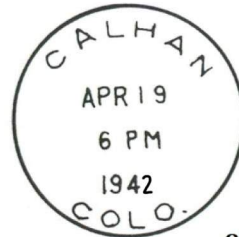
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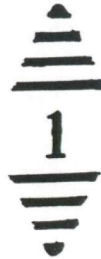
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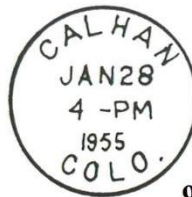
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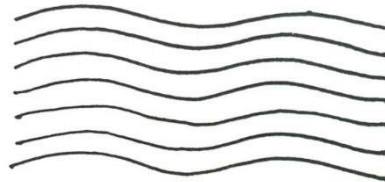
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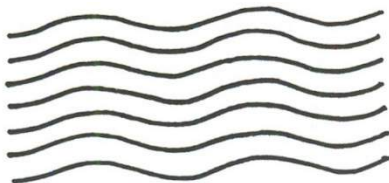
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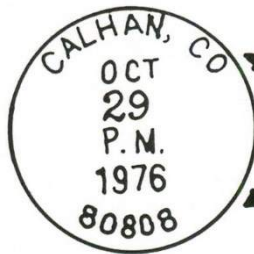
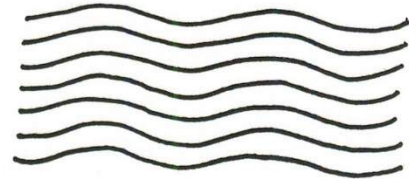
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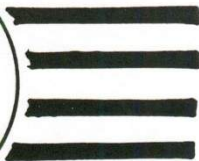
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EL PASO COUNTY FAIR STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

Jul 23 2005

Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

## EL PASO COUNTY FAIR STATION – Continued

## Confirmed types of postal markings

- 1 Calhan, Colorado 80808 // El Paso County Fair Station Jul 23 - 30 2005  
IR 00R 65.0x30.0 Pict Scene - oval center with ribbon, 3 wavy lines at each side;  
Text - EL PASO COUNTY FAIR / 100 YEARS / 1905-2005



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## CASCADE

Three sisters, Mrs. Eliza Marriott Hewlett, Miss Ellen Marriott, and Miss Caroline Marriott recorded the first claims at what became Cascade. There is some question as to when this took place. It is claimed that in 1886 a group of about 100 investors, most with ties to the Santa Fe Railroad, purchased the properties held by the Marriotts'. By June of that year the group had opened a thirty-room hotel named the Cascade Canon House. The arrival of the Colorado Midland Railroad in 1887 speeded development of the new resort. A Mr. D. Severy is claimed to have been the president of the Cascade Town Company, and D. N. Heizer was another who was active in promoting the development. Cascade soon became a popular summer resort.

The Cascade Post Office opened in 1887 to serve the new community and the surrounding ranches. Caroline Marriott was the first postmaster.

The development was named for nearby Cascade Creek with its many waterfalls.

On May 15, 1888 the *Colorado Graphic* reported the following:

**CASCADE TOWN COMPANY ORGANIZED IN 1886**

*5/15/1888 - In the summer of 1886, a Mr. D. Severy, a wealthy Kansas Gentleman, spending a summer in Colorado, happened to pay a visit to Cascade. He was at once impressed with the beauty of the place, the superior advantages and the unsurpassed climate, and being a man of the world, and knowing a railroad was soon to be built through the valley, he grasped the situation, and said to himself: "Here is the making of a great resort." Negotiations were at once opened, and the result was that the Cascade Town Company was organized with Mr. Severy as president.*

*Within a year from the organization a town-site was platted; streets were laid out and part of them graded; several fine cottages were put in and sewer pipes were laid in the principal streets; the Colorado Midland came and a well-arranged and excellent hotel - a mansion in the mountains - was completed and opened to the public.*

*Cascade Canon is a delightful pleasure resort is proven by the accommodations and attractions that are already offered the public and those that are under construction or being planned. The natural attractions are, in themselves, enough to draw people to the place to which are being added many improvements. Carriage drives and walks have been laid out and graded up and down the canon and through the valley of the Fountain making several miles of drives and walks within sight of the hotels, while for a grander and longer ride a carriage road is now being constructed to the summit of Pike's Peak.*

Cascade is still a pleasant mountain resort community located west of Manitou Springs on Fountain Creek and US Highway 24, the road to Ute Pass and the South Park. Cascade is also the point where the Pikes Peak Toll Road begins.

**CASCADE – Continued**

Latitude = 38:53:48 North Longitude = 104:58:18 West

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jun 7 1887	---	NW/4 Sec 26 T13S R68W West side of Fountain Creek and about 100 yards west of Colorado Midland depot Proposed postmaster - Caroline Marriott	
Aug 16 1887		Established	
Aug 16 1887		Marriott, Caroline	
Dec 24 1887		Hinkle, Caroline M.	
Sep 12 1889		Stevens, John O.	
Oct 7 1890		Phelps, James W.	
Sep 28 1892		McClelland, Cephas T. R.	
Nov 16 1894		Heizer, Charles E.	
Feb 15 1898		Roe, James H.	
Sep 20 1900		Geddes, Margaret	
Jan 29 1902		Hart, Margaret G.	
Jun 21 1906		Downing, Asa	
Oct 3 1907		Gardner, Nettie	
Nov 18 1907	---	SW/4 SW/4 Sec 13 T13S R68W 200 feet on east side of Fountain Creek 100 feet west of the Colorado Midland Railroad	
Mar 2 1914	---	NW/4 Sec 26 T13S R68W 60 feet southwest of Cascade Creek 70 feet south of the Colorado Midland Railroad	
Nov 27 1923		Ganthrop, Mrs. Claire	Acting
Jan 15 1924		Swisher, Mrs. Ethel M.	
Nov 22 1924		Dusenbury, Mabel R.	Confirmed
Dec 4 1924		Dusenbury, Mabel R.	Commissioned
Dec 9 1924		Dusenbury, Mabel R.	Assumed charge
Jan 26 1937		Sanborn, Lucille Porter	Confirmed
Feb 9 1937		Sanborn, Lucille Porter	Commissioned
Feb 13 1937		Sanborn, Lucille Porter	Assumed charge
Oct 20 1941	---	NW/4 Sec 26 T13S R68W Fountain Creek 100 feet east of post office	
Jun 5 1942	---	Not reported A move 200 feet southwest of a previous location Fountain Creek 250 feet southeast of post office	
Feb 26 1942		Scholes, W. Leslie	Assumed charge
Apr 1 1942		Scholes, W. Leslie	Acting
Aug 1 1942		Scholes, W. Leslie	Confirmed
Aug 20 1942		Scholes, W. Leslie	Commissioned
Mar 3 1943		Scholes, Mrs. Lena P.	Assumed charge
Mar 15 1943		Scholes, Mrs. Lena P.	Acting
Apr 12 1943		Scholes, Mrs. Lena P.	Confirmed
May 26 1943		Scholes, Mrs. Lena P.	Commissioned
Apr 12 1945		Sanborn, Lucille Porter	Appointed & Confirmed
May 26 1945		Sanborn, Lucille Porter	Commissioned
May 31 1945		Sanborn, Lucille Porter	Assumed charge
Jul 1 1950			Office made Presidential
Nov 19 1965		Sanborn, Catherine A.	Acting
Mar 10 1966		Sanborn, Catherine A.	Nominated & Confirmed
Mar 14 1966		Sanborn, Catherine A.	Appointed
Mar 18 1966		Sanborn, Catherine A.	Commissioned
Apr 8 1966		Sanborn, Catherine A.	Assumed charge
Jul 14 1972		Waterhouse, Gerlad	Officer in charge
Jun 30 1973		Waterhouse, Gerlad	Appointed
Apr 29 1974		Bowen, James L.	Officer in charge
Aug 17 1974		Lucas, Eleanor I.	Appointed
Jan 5 1979		Dintzel, Mary	Officer in charge

## CASCADE – Continued

May 23 1979	Bowen, James L.	Officer in charge
Jul 17 1979	Stemper, Harry A.	Officer in charge
Oct 11 1979	Duran, Elipio	Officer in charge
Jan 26 1980	Meredith, Chanda C.	Appointed
Mar 17 1981	Gingher, Barbara	Officer in charge



CASCADE, / COLO

March 20, 1889

## Confirmed types of postal markings

1	Cascade Colo. MS	Mscp Pen cancel	Mar 20 1883
2	CASCADE / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Hstp Cork, Double grid	Mar 13 1888 Jul 2 1897
3	CASCADE, / COLO. CI 20H 33.5/30.0	Hstp Target, 4-ring	May 27 1888 Oct 16 1889
4	CASCADE / COLO. CI 20P 35.0/32.0	Hstp Not recorded	Feb 9 1890 Mar -- 1895
4.1	CASCADE / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Hstp Negatice X-roads	Aug 24 1897
5	CASCADE / COLO. CI 10P 29.0	Dplx Grid, 9 bar oval	Apr 17 1901 Aug 24 1907
6	CASCADE, / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-22x13mm	Jul 17 1908 Jun 7 1921
7	CASCADE, COLO. / REC'D. CI 10P 29.0	Hstp No killer, undated cancel, month and year from origin postmark	Aug -- 1908
8	CASCADE, / COLO. CI 10P 35.0	4bars S-28x16mm	Jul 7 1925 Jun 30 1925
8.1	CASCADE, / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S24x18mm	Jul 15 1926 Sep 1 1928
9	CASCADE, / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-24x20mm	Jun 4 1932 May 16 1940

**CASCADE – Continued**

10	CASCADE / COLO. CI 10P 33.5	4bars S-24x18mm	Aug 14 1942 Jul 7 1952
10.1	CASCADE / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-??x19mm	Sep 21 1953 Mar 16 1960
11	CASCADE / COLO. CI 10P 20.0	Mach 7 wavy line	Jun 20 1956 Jul 16 1963
12	CASCADE / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-24x20mm	Dec 31 1962
13	CASCADE, CO / 80809 CI 10P 20.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	Jun 6 1967 Oct 8 1968
14	CASCADE, CO / 80809 CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-25x20mm	Oct 18 1967 Mar 15 1973
15.1	CASCADE, CO / 80809 CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-??x17mm	Sep 8 1977
15	CASCADE, CO / 80809 CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-23x13mm	Dec 16 1975 [NOT AVAILABLE FOR ILLUSTRATION]
15.1	CASCADE, CO / 80809 CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-??x17mm	Sep 8 1977
16	CASCADE, CO / 80809 CI 10P 34.0	4bars S-25x20mm	May 29 1990 May 18 1993
17	CASCADE CO / 80809 CI 10P 34.0	4bars S-20x16mm	May 13 1998
18	CASCADE CO / USPS 80809 CI 11P 32.5/21.5	Hstp No killer, Inner circle is two arcs	May 13 1998

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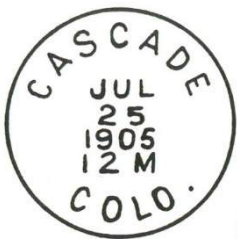
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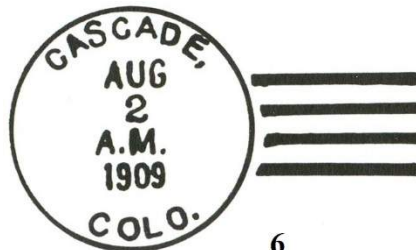
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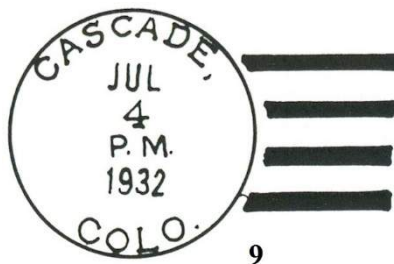
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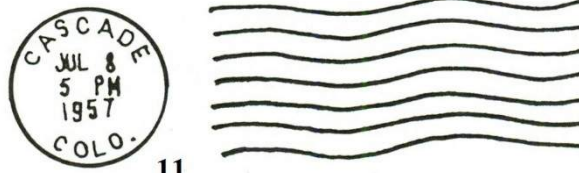
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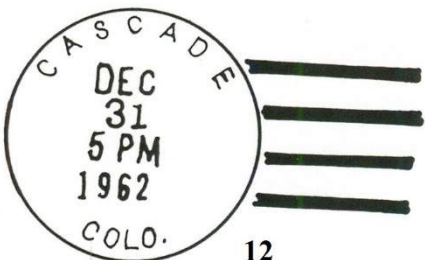
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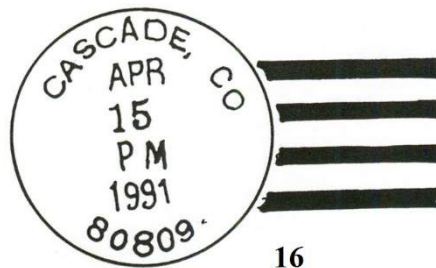
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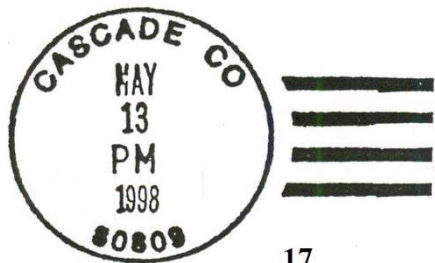
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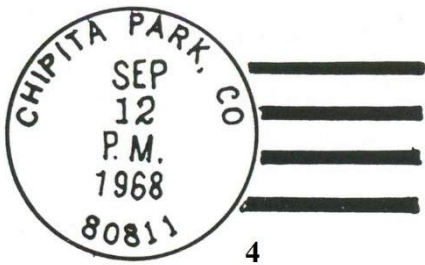
**CHIPITA PARK RURAL BRANCH**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

- Jun 1 1967      Established as a Rural Branch of Cascade  
                    Operated as a Summer Post Office June 1 - September 30
  - ca. 1981      Discontinued
- See Chipita Park for the listing of earlier Postmasters and postmarks

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 4      CHIPITA PARK, CO / 80811      Jun 21 1967 Sep 12, 1968  
            CI 10P 33.0      4bars S-25x20mm
- 5      CASCADE, CO CHIPITA PARK RUR. BR. / USPO      Sep 6 1973  
            CI 11P 30.0/19.0      Hstp No killer



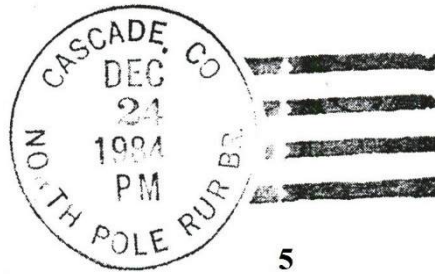
**NORTH POLE RURAL BRANCH**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

- May 10 1975      Formerly a Rural Branch of Colorado Springs

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- See Colorado Springs for the listing of earlier Chronology and postmarks.
- 4      NORTH POLE RUR BR CO / USPS      Dec 14 1984  
            CI 11P 30.0x19.0      Hstp No killer
  - 5      CASCADE, CO / NORTH POLE RUR BR.      Dec 24 1984  
            CI 10P 33.0      4-bars S-25x19



**CHIPITA PARK**

In 1890 the Ute Pass Land and Water Company began development of a resort on a thousand-acre tract two miles northwest of the Cascade resort. The organization was capitalized at \$700,000 and included L. R. Erich, J. A. Mayes, Jr. and James Hagerman. Initially the community was known as Ute Park. The Colorado Midland Railroad identified the place as Culver.

**CHIPITA PARK – Continued**

In 1927 Frank Marcroft bought the property and renamed it Chipita Park. The name was that of the wife of the famous Ute Indian Chief, Ouray. However, her name is most commonly spelled Chipeta.

At the time of the name change, a small lake in the park was known as Chipeta Lake. A log lodge overlooking the lake served as a caretakers home, sales office and community center where residents could mail a letter, buy a few groceries or purchase a cup of tea to sip beside the fireplace.

Frank Marcroft filed the application for the post office and it has been stated that his wife was the postmaster. However, her name does not appear in the Post Office Department Records of Postmaster Appointments.

Chipita Park was an independent post office from 1934 to 1967 when it was converted to a Rural Branch of the Cascade Post Office. From at least 1954 through 1966 the Chipita Park Post Office operated as a summer post office, usually from June 1 to September 30.

The Rural Branch closed about 1981 and residents must now use either the Cascade or the Green Mountain Falls Post Offices.

Chipita Park is an active resort community on the southwest side of Fountain Creek and US Highway 24, approximately a mile and a half northwest of Cascade and a mile southeast of Green Mountain Falls. It is best accessed by way of old US 24, from either of those neighboring towns.

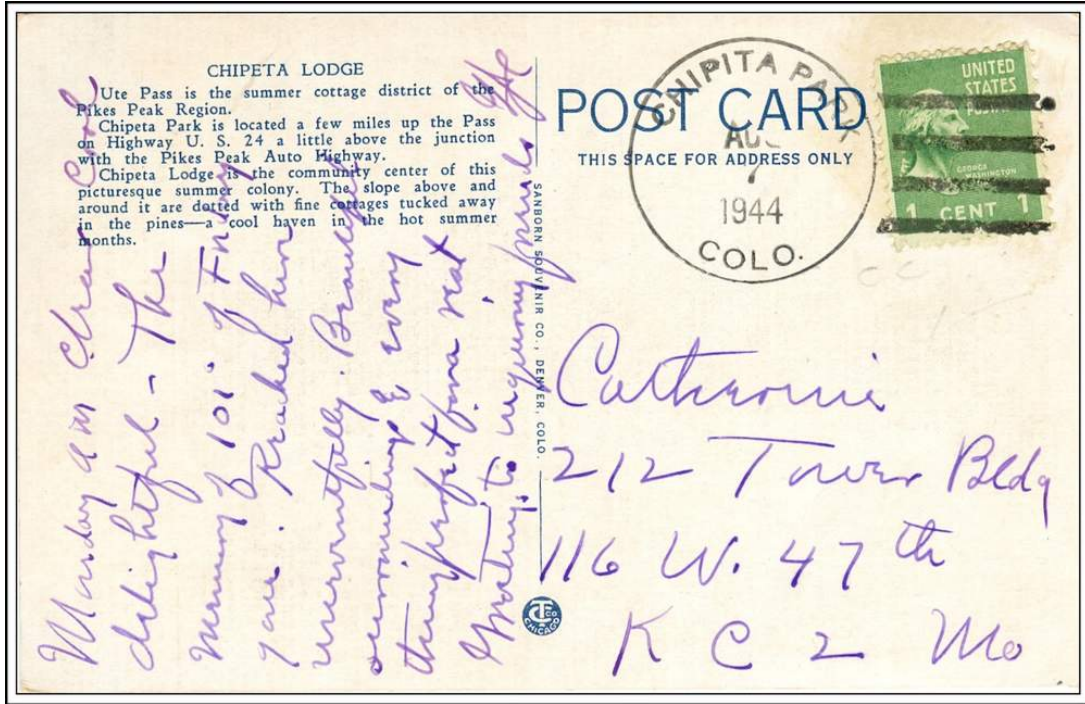
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**Chronology of the Post Office**

May 9 1934	---	NW/4 Sec 15 T13S R68W 200 feet south of Fountain Creek 150 feet south of the Midland Terminal Railroad	
		Applicant for postmaster - F. W. Marcroft	
Mar 9 1935		Established	
Mar 9 1935		Marcroft, Frank W.	Confirmed
Mar 22 1935		Marcroft, Frank W.	Commissioned
Apr 23 1941		Marcroft, Mrs. May E.	Assumed charge
Apr 30 1941		Marcroft, Mrs. May E.	Acting
May 18 1941		Smith, Mrs. Lura A.	Assumed charge
May 24 1941		Smith, Mrs. Lura A.	Acting
Sep 17 1941		Smith, Mrs. Lura A.	Confirmed
Sep 26 1941		Smith, Mrs. Lura A.	Commissioned
Oct 22 1941	---	NW/4 SW/4 Sec 15 T13S R68W US 24 is 1/2 mile northeast of post office----	
May 11 1942		Henson, Alva J.	Acting
May 16 1942		Henson, Alva J.	Assumed charge
Aug 28 1942		Henson, Alva J.	Confirmed
Oct 23 1942		Henson, Alva J.	Commissioned
May 25 1943		Larrick, Mrs. Norrine	Assumed charge
May 29 1943		Larrick, Mrs. Norrine	Acting
Jun 1 1944		Wilson, Howard C.	Assumed charge
Jun 10 1944		Wilson, Howard C.	Acting
May 31 1945		Coe, Miss Mabel	Assumed charge
Sep 14 1945		Coe, Miss Mabel	Confirmed
Nov 2 1945		Coe, Miss Mabel	Commissioned
May 31 1954		Rummel, John A.	Possession
Oct 6 1954		Rummel, John A.	Acting
May 11 1956		Brown, Kathryn R.	Appointed
May 14 1956		Brown, Kathryn R.	Commissioned
May 31 1956		Brown, Kathryn R.	Assumed charge
Apr 1 1960		Julliard, Jane L.	Possession & Assumed charge
Apr 4 1960		Henricks, Jane L.	Acting
Jan 13 1961		Henricks, Jane L.	Commissioned

**CHIPITA PARK – Continued**

Jan 17 1960	Henricks, Jane L.	Confirmed
May 22 1960	Julliard, Jane L.	Name change by marriage
Apr 13 1961	Julliard, Jane L.	Commissioned & Assumed charge
Oct 4 1966	Hemmicks, Jane L.	Name change by marriage
May 31 1967	Converted to a Rural Branch of Cascade	
At one time was a summer office only, 6/1 to 9/30.		



**CHIPITA PARK / COLO.**

**August 7, 1944**

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

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|---|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | CHIPITA PK. / COLO.<br>CI 10P 32.5  | 4bars S-25x20mm | Jun 21 1935 Aug 2 1937  |
| 2 | CHIPITA PARK / COLO.<br>CI 10P 32.0 | 4bars S-24x19mm | Jul 19 1939 Sep 29 1965 |
| 3 | CHIPITA PARK / COLO.<br>CI 10P 32.0 | 4bars S-24x19mm | Jun 1 1960 Jul 26 1962  |

See Chipita Park Rural Branch of Cascade for later postmarks



## COLORADO CITY

Colorado City was one of the first white settlements in what is now El Paso County. It came into being in 1859 as a southern entry point over the Front Range of the Rocky Mountains to the newly discovered gold deposits in South Park. Native Americans had a long-established trail up the gorge of Fountain Creek and over Ute Pass. This became the trail for prospectors on their way to the mines and it was soon widened to provide a steep, rough, narrow wagon road. Today US Highway 24 smoothly follows the same path.

Colorado City was a supply center for the early prospectors. Among the leaders in the founding of Colorado City were L. J. Winchester, T. H. Warren, W. P. McClure, Lewis N. Tappan, M. S. Beach, S. W. Waggoner and R. E. Whitsit. H. M. Fosdick staked out Colorado City. The tract was 2 miles long and a mile wide, extending from the gypsum bluffs west of Camp Creek to near Monument Creek.

Prior to the creation of Colorado City there had been small settlements at the location, first named El Paso City and then El Dorado City.

There are claims that the name was chosen because it was believed that the gold mines were on the headwaters of the Colorado River. However, in 1859 the river in mind was named the Grand River. It seems much more likely that the name was suggested by the red soil and the red rock pinnacles in the area and was adopted because it was pleasant sounding and not chosen for some distant river.

The Colorado Territorial Assembly designated Colorado City to be the first capitol of the new territory. However, the legislators met there for only four days in 1862 before voting to move the capitol to Golden City where accommodations were much more satisfactory for their comfort.

Other shorter and easier routes into the mountains were soon found and the growth of Colorado City was slow until 1886 when the Colorado Midland Railroad built its line through Colorado City, over Ute Pass into South Park and west towards Glenwood Springs and beyond. The arrival of the Midland spurred growth when the railroad established its shops in Colorado City.

By 1871 the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad had reached Fountain Creek. Under the leadership of General William Palmer and the railroad a new community, Colorado Springs, was platted and began a rapid growth. In addition to Colorado Springs on the east, another town, Manitou (Manitou Springs) came into existence at the hot springs west of Colorado City. Sandwiched between these two growing resort and commercial centers Colorado City stagnated.

When El Paso County was created, Colorado City was designated the county seat. In 1872 the county seat was moved to Colorado Springs. The burgeoning Colorado Springs and to a lesser extent Manitou constricted the growth of Colorado City. The town did survive into the early twentieth century, but became an almost indistinct part of Colorado Springs. In 1917 the Colorado City Post Office closed and was replaced by the West End Station of Colorado Springs.

In the twenty-first century Colorado City is still a distinctive portion of Colorado Springs. It is a mixture of homes, businesses and light industry. The main commercial district along Colorado Avenue is attractive, well maintained and has historical charm. The West End Station Post Office is on the northwest corner of the intersection of Cucharas Street with 25<sup>th</sup> Street.

### Chronology of the Post Office

<b>Mar 24 1860</b>	<b>Established</b>
<b>Mar 24 1860</b>	<b>Bringhardt, Henry J.</b>
<b>Nov 13 1860</b>	<b>Higgins, Thomas J.</b>
<b>Mar 26 1861</b>	<b>Tappan, George</b>
<b>Jul 4 1863</b>	<b>Bute, George A.</b>
<b>Jun 5 1865</b>	<b>Baird, ?</b>
<b>Nov 22 1866</b>	<b>Jones, Charles H.</b>
<b>Jun 26 1868</b>	<b>Schrung, Emile</b>
<b>Apr 22 1872</b>	<b>Robbins, William H.</b>

**COLORADO CITY – Continued**

Feb 6 1874	Ellingsworth, James P.	
Jul 27 1874	Love, Robert F.	
Jan 24 1876	Faulkner James D.	
Jun 2 1881	---	SE/4 NW/4 Sec 11 T14S R67W About 200 yards north of Fountain Qui Bouille Creek
Feb 20 1888	Olicer, P. R.	
May 14 1889	Cochran, James A.	
Dec 23 1891	Everhart, Flora	P&S
Jan 15 1896	Crane, Charles A.	P&S
Jan 14 1904	Morgan, John F.	P&S
Feb 10 1908	Morgan, John F.	P&S
Jan 16 1912	Morgan, John F.	P&S
Jan 11 1916	Lamont, Duncan	
Jun 30 1917	Discontinued Replaced by West End Station of Colorado Springs	

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	Colorado City K.T. MS	Nov 12 1860 Mscp Stampless, Mscp `Paid 3': Miller & Evans / Express / Canon City
2.A	Colorado City Col MS	Apr 14 1861 Sep 5 1864 Mscp Pen cancel
2.B	Colorado City C.T. MS	Sep 17 1864 Jul 26 1867 Mscp Pen cancel
2.C	Colorado City MS	Feb 17 1862 Mscp Pen cancel
3	COLORADO CITY / C.T. CI 10P 25.5	Mar 1 1863 Jun 17 1872 Hstp Not recorded
4	COLORADO CITY / COL. CI 10P 25.0	May 23 1876 Dec 28 187- Hstp Target
4.1	COLORADO CITY / COLORADO. CI 11P 27.0/17.0	Dec 1 1875 Hstp Cork
5	COLORADO CITY / COLORADO. CI 20C 33.0/29.0	Mar 29 1881 Dec 19 1881 Hstp Cork, Rectangular -
6	COLORADO CITY / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	Mar 2 1888 Hstp Not recorded [This may be variation of Type 5, outer rim missing] [NOT AVAILABLE FOR ILLUSTRATION]
7	COLORADO CITY / COLO. CI 10P 27.0	Feb 3 1890 Oct 14 1890 Hstp Not present
8	COLORADO CITY / COLO. CI 10P 27.0	Nov -- 1893 Oct 29 1897 Hstp Cork, Smudge; Target
9	COLORADO CITY / COLO. CI 10P 29.0	Apr 29 1899 Aug 10 1900 Dplx Grid, 8-bar oval; Cork, smudge
10	COLORADO CITY / COLO. CI 10P 29.0	Jul 18 1900 Jul 24 1901 Dplx Grid, 8-bar oval
11	COLORADO CITY, COLO. CI 10P 25.0	Feb 26 1904 Sep 24 1907 Dplx Grid, oval with 1 and circle
12	COLORADO CITY, COLO. / REC'D. CI 10P 30.0	Aug 3 1905 Sep 3 1907 Hstp No killer
13	COLORADO CITY, COLO. / FORWARDED CI 11P 30.0/18.5	Jul 29 1907 Hstp No killer
14-C	COLORADO CITY, COLO. CI 10P 21.0	Jul 18 1908 Jul 3 1912 Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 1-C
14-D	COLORADO CITY, COLO. CI 10P 21.0	Jan 21 1908 Mar 18 1914 Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 1-D
15-C	COLORADO CITY, COLO. CI 10P 21.0	Jul 15 1909 Dec 29 1911 Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 1-C
15-D	COLORADO CITY, COLO. CI 10P 21.0	Nov 18 1907 Jul 22 1911 Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 1-D

COLORADO CITY – Continued

16-C COLORADO CITY, COLO.  
CI 10P 21.0

Jul 28 1913 Oct 2 1913

Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 1-C

16-D COLORADO CITY, COLO.  
CI 10P 21.0

Aug 31 1913 Sep 8 1916

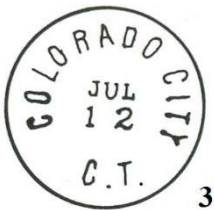
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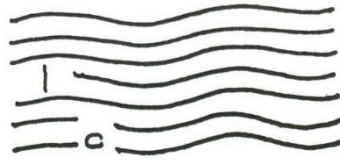
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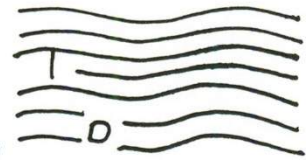
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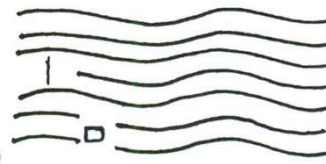
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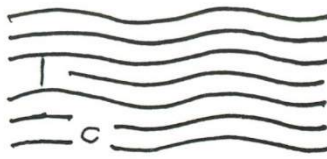
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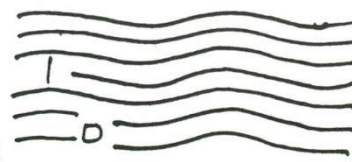
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**AUXILIARY MARKINGS**

A01 Colorado City, Colo. // UNCLAIMED.  
SL 00R 41.0x15.0 Hstp

Dec 15 1910

DEC 15 1910  
UNCLAIMED.  
Colorado City, Colo. A01

**COLORADO SPRINGS**

General William J. Palmer, head of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad was the driving force behind the creation of Colorado Springs and the Colorado Springs Company, which organized the city.

In 1871 the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad building south from Denver towards Pueblo and beyond, reached the junction of Monument Creek from the north and Fountain Creek from the west. The construction crews were able to complete their work to Colorado Springs by October 21. Regular train service began two days later. The railroad had previously chosen a location on the tableland east of Monument Creek to establish a depot and town that would serve the small communities to the west along the wagon road that went up Fountain Creek, over Ute Pass and on into the South Park.

The expert planner, General Robert A. Cameron, who had just laid out the town of Greeley, Colorado, accomplished the surveying of Colorado Springs' wide streets and parks in the summer of 1871. On July 31, 1871, the first stake was driven at the corner of what is now Pikes Peak Avenue and Cascade Avenue. The new settlement was first called Fountain Colony but by October 1871 when a post office was obtained, it was known as Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs was incorporated in 1886.

### **COLORADO SPRINGS – Continued**

The choice of “Springs” was a reference to the hot springs a few miles to the west at present day Manitou Springs. The area selected for the depot and the new town was in a more open and level region than was available at either Colorado City or Manitou. Also, the Denver and Rio Grande owned a large portion of the land (9,300 acres), a situation that always influenced the railroad’s choice for stations and railroad facilities.

The growth of Colorado Springs was rapid and by 1875 the El Paso County Seat had been moved from Colorado City to Colorado Springs.

Colorado Springs quickly became an attractive summer resort. For a time it had such a significant population of permanent and part time residents of English citizenship that it was often called “Little London.”



**For many years this building in downtown Colorado Springs served as the Main Post Office. With the expansive growth of Colorado Springs and hence the need for larger quarters, a new post office was constructed at the intersection of East Fountain Boulevard and Academy Boulevard. This building is now the location of the Downtown Station.**

Photograph by James L. Ozment

September 10, 2000

The mercantile business of the city focused on the areas to the west and with the discovery of gold on the western slopes of Pikes Peak and the development of the Cripple Creek mines, Colorado Springs underwent rapid development. An industrial district grew to service the mines and as the location of smelters and other processing facilities for ore from the Cripple Creek District mines.

Since its founding, Colorado Springs has continued to grow. When reliance on mining declined there was still tourism to fuel the economy and the pleasant healthy climate attracted residents.

**COLORADO SPRINGS – Continued**

With the advent of World War II, a new and very important factor took hold on Colorado Springs. The Camp Carson Military Base was established just south of the city and to the east an Air Force Base also came into existence. After the end of the war both of these facilities continued to function, and in fact they continued to expand in size and importance to national defense.

In the early 1950's a large tract of land north of Colorado Springs was chosen to be the site for the newly created United States Air Force Academy. The Cold War and the fear of a nuclear attack prompted the development of the United States Air Defense Command's headquarters, deep within Cheyenne Mountain.

All of this military activity increased the demand for housing and services for those stationed in or near Colorado Springs. Another result was that many of the personnel who had been stationed at Colorado Springs chose to return to the area when their term of service expired or they retired from the military.

In recent years Colorado Springs has become home to a number of conservative religious organizations and to a major training facility of the United States Olympic Committee.

Colorado Springs has grown from a small community into a large and seemingly ever expanding, metropolitan area that extends many miles in all directions from the beginnings at the junction of the two streams.

For most of its existence the Colorado Springs Post Office was located in a large Federal style building on Pikes Peak Avenue. That building is still in use as the Downtown Station of Colorado Springs. Today the Main Post Office is located in a very large facility on the southwest corner at the intersection of East Fountain Boulevard and Academy Boulevard. The address is 5655 East Fountain Boulevard.

Latitude = 38:50:02 North Longitude = 104:49:15 West

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Oct 24 1871	---	NE/4 Sec 18 T14S R66W East side, adjoining Fontaine Qui Bouille and east side Monument Creek	
Dec 1 1871		Established	
Dec 1 1871		Potter, John	
Dec 1 1871		Potter, John	P&S
Dec 14 1876		Potter, John	P&S
May 12 1879		Price, Eliphalet J.	P&S
Jun 11 1879		Price, Eliphalet J.	P&S
Jun 13 1883		Price, Eliphalet J.	P
Mar 30 1887		Lowe, Joel F.	P
Feb 28 1888		Lowe, Joel F.	P&S
Jul 16 1888		Meier, Robert A.	P&S
Oct 29 1889		Everleth, Melvin W.	P
Dec 19 1889		Everleth, Melvin W.	P&S
Feb 18 1893		Ferguson, Harry A.	P&S
Mar 1 1897		Morath, Edward J.	P&S
Apr 14 1897		Dana, L. C.	P&S
Jan 28 1902		Dana, L. C.	P&S
Feb 20 1906		Strachan, Alexander J.	P&S
Jan 24 1910		Strachan, Alexander J.	P&S
Feb 2 1914		Ward, Oliver W.	P&S
Sep 5 1918		Ward, Oliver W.	P&S
Feb 8 1922	---	SW/4 NE/4 Sec 18 T14S R66W 42 feet west of the Santa Fe Railroad	
Jan 1 1923		Ewing, Earl E.	Acting
Jan 4 1923		Ewing, Earl E.	Appointed

## COLORADO SPRINGS – Continued

Jan 17 1927	Ewing, Earl E.	P&S
Feb 6 1931	Ewing, Earl E.	P&S
Mar 25 1935	Allen, Darius	Acting
Mar 31 1935	Allen, Darius	Assumed charge
Apr 19 1935	Allen, Darius	Nominated
May 3 1935	Allen, Darius	Confirmed
May 9 1935	Allen, Darius	Appointed Presidential
May 23 1935	Allen, Darius	Commissioned
May 31 1935	Allen, Darius	Assumed charge
Jun 5 1939	Allen, Darius	Nominated
Jun 12 1939	Allen, Darius	Confirmed
Jun 15 1939	Allen, Darius	Appointed Presidential
Nov 29 1939	Allen, Darius	Commissioned
Dec 31 1939	Allen, Darius	Assumed charge
Oct 28 1941 ---	201 East Pikes Peak Avenue	
Jul 31 1957	Wardwell, Robert H.	Acting
Aug 9 1957	Wardwell, Robert H.	Assumed charge
Feb 4 1959	Wardwell, Robert H.	Nominated
Jun 4 1959	Wardwell, Robert H.	Confirmed
Jun 5 1959	Wardwell, Robert H.	Appointed Presidential
Jun 22 1959	Wardwell, Robert H.	Commissioned
Jun 26 1959	Wardwell, Robert H.	Appointed & Assumed charge
Jul 24 1970	Miller, Clair A.	Acting
Dec 11 1971	Lyles, Richard I.	Appointed & Assumed charge
Nov 19 1976	Spathelf, Frederick	Officer in charge
Mar 26 1977	McGraw, Nelson W.	Appointed
May 4 1979	Jenkins, Donald L.	Officer in charge
Jun 30 1979	Carlson, Carl G.	Officer in charge
Mar 23 1981	Warner, Patrick V.	Officer in charge

**COLORADO SPRINGS – Continued**

The listing of postmarks used at Colorado Springs is extensive. The volume warrants a different approach than is used with listing postmarks from other locations.

There are three principal sections:

1. Colorado Springs proper  
Within this section, the postmarks will be segregated by style
2. Named or Number Stations and Branches of Colorado Springs
3. Special commemorative stations associated with Colorado Springs

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

**MANUSCRIPT POSTMARKS**

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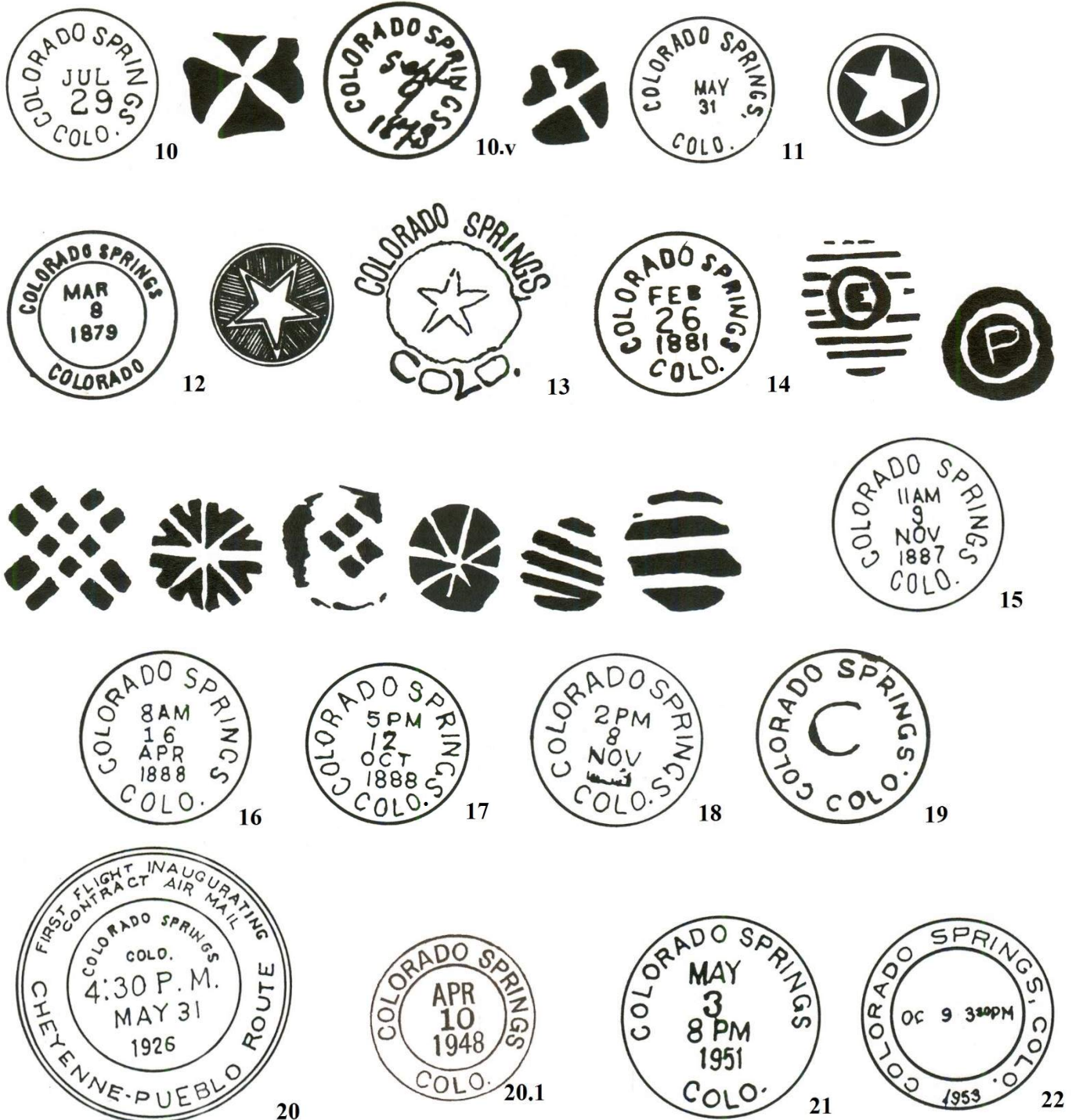


**HANDSTAMP POSTMARKS**

10	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 25.0	Hstp Cork, Smudge, Negative X-roads, 4-petal flower	Feb 10 1873 Dec 16 1879
10.v	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 26.0	Hstp Cork, Negative X-roads, Handstamp date has been overwritten "Sept/9/1873"	Sep 9 1873
11	COLORADO SPRINGS, / COLO. CI 10P 24.5	Hstp Fancy, Negative star-in-circle	Jul 17 1877 Oct 15 1878
12	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLORADO CI 21P 29.0/26.0/17.5	Hstp Fancy, Outlined, negative star in shaded circle	Mar 31 1878 Nov 15 1879
13	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 01R 33.0/21.0	Hstp No killer; rather crude device with outlined star in center	--- -- 188-
14	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 27.0	Hstp Cork, Smudge. 7-bar circular grid, hobnail grid, circle of 8 "V"s; Fancy, negative "P" with outer circle, hobnail in partial circle.	Feb 26 1881 Nov 27 1885
15	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Hstp Cork, Smudge, 6-piece pie in circle	Feb 1 1886 Dec 9 1887
16	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Hstp Cork, Smudge, 8-piece pie in circle	Feb 23 1888 Oct 17 1888
17	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 27.0	Hstp Cork, Smudge	Sep 29 1888 Feb 13 1890
18	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Hstp Not recorded	Oct 1 1889 Jan 1 1890
19	COLORADO SPRINGS ( C ) COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Hstp No killer	--- 11 189- Nov -- 1896
20	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 21P 46.0/44.0/28.0	Hstp FIRST FLIGHT INAUGURATING / CONTRACT AIR MAIL / CHEYENNE-PUEBLO ROUTE	May 31 1926 May 31 1926
20.1	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 11P 28.0/18.0	Hstp No killer	Apr 10 1948
21	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 33.5	Hstp No killer	May 3 1951
22	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. CI 11P 32.0/24.0	Hstp No killer	Oct 9 1953 Feb 3 1955
23	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. CI 11P 35.0/24.0	Hstp No killer	May 22 1959 Sep 18 1962

**COLORADO SPRINGS – Continued**  
**HANDSTAMP POSTMARKS – Continued**

24	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 11P 30.0/19.0	Hstp No killer	Nov 5 1952 Dec 12 1962
25	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / USPO CI 11P 28.0/18.0	Hstp No killer	Dec 12 1975 Jun 1 1993
25.1	COLORADO SPRINGS COLO. / USPO CI 11P 28.0/18.0	Hstp No killer	Sep 13 1977
26	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / USPS CI 11P 30.0/19.0	Hstp No killer	Aug 11 2000 Aug 23 2001



**COLORADO SPRINGS – Continued  
HANDSTAMP POSTMARKS – Continued**



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**DUPLEX POSTMARKS**

100	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. CI 10P 26.0	Oct 30 1890 Jun 9 1891 Dplx Grid, oval with 1 and circle
101	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. CI 10P 26.0	Oct 17 189- May 27 1893 Dplx Grid, oval with 2 and circle
101.2	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. CI 10P 26.0	Apr 20 1893 Dplx Grid, oval with 1 and circle
102	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. CI 10P 25.0	Aug 23 1893 Dec 6 1898 Dplx Grid, oval with 1 and circle
102.2	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. CI 10P 25.0	Feb 19 1891 Dplx Grid, oval with 2 and circle, 2 digit year
103. 01	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. CI 10P 26.0	Dec 25 1895 Dplx Grid, oval with 1 and circle
103.1	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. CI 10P 25.0	Jul 22 1896 Nov 12 1897 Dplx Grid, oval with 1 and circle
103.2	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. CI 10P 25.0	Nov 3 1889 Aug 4 1896 Dplx Grid, oval with 2 and circle
104.1	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 25.5	Sep 20 1899 Sep 15 1906 Dplx Grid, oval with 1 and circle
104.3	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 25.0	Jan 9 1904 Dplx Grid, oval with 3 and circle
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105.1	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 27.0	Jul 19 1927 Aug 1 1928 Dplx Grid, oval with 1 and circle
105.2	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 27.0	May 22 1921 Dplx Grid, oval with 2 and circle
106.1	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Jul 3 1937 Aug 29 1938 Dplx Grid, oval with 1
106.2	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Nov 26 1936 Dec 14 1951 Dplx Grid, oval with 2
107.4	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Apr 30 1949 Mar 7 1950 Dplx Grid, pointed oval with 4
107.5	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Mar 18 1948 Dplx Grid, pointed oval with 5

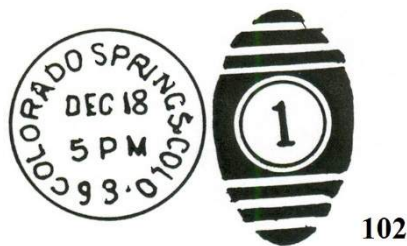
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| 107.7 | COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO.<br>CI 10P 30.0 | Feb 24 1945            |
| 107.8 | COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO.<br>CI 10P 30.0 | Feb 28 1939 Aug 4 1943 |

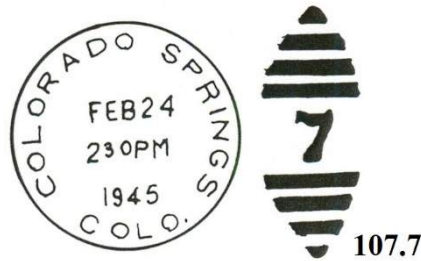
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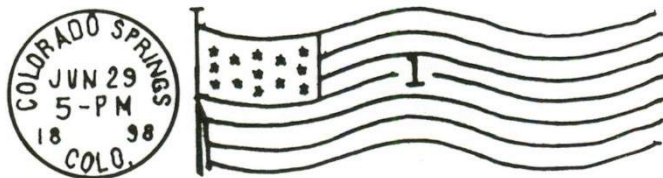


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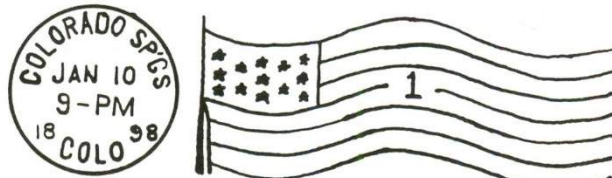
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202	COLORADO SP'GS / COLO. CI 10P 22.0	Flag 13 star waving flag with 1 Jan 12 1897 Sep 20 1899
203	COLORADO SPRINGS, / COLO. SL 00R 32.0x15.0	Flag 13 star waving flag with 1 Dec 10 1899 Feb 15 1902
204	COLORADO SPRINGS, / --COL-- SL 00R 32.0x19.0	Mach 5 bars with 1 Feb 2 1902 Jun 1 1902
205.D	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. CI 10P 20.0	Mach 6 bars with 1 --- -- 1902 Dec 30 1903
206.C	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. CI 10P 20.0	Mach 7 wavy lines with 1-D Jul 20 1905 Dec 25 1905
206.D	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. CI 10P 20.0	Mach 7 wavy lines with 1-C Jan 17 1904 Sep 16 1904
207.D	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. CI 10P 20.5	Mach 7 wavy lines with 1-D Apr 5 1905 Aug 25 1913
207.R	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. CI 10P 20.0	Mach 7 wavy lines with 1-R Sep 7 1908
207.T	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. CI 10P 20.5	Mach 7 wavy lines with 1-T [Not illustrated] Apr 28 1906 Jun 17 1907
208.T	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. CI 10P 20.5	Mach 7 wavy lines with 1-T Aug 6 1905 Dec 30 1907
209	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 22.0	Mach 7 wavy lines with 1-T Jul 29 1913 Feb 11 1914
210	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10p 22.0	Mach 7 wavy lines Jul 18 1914 Jun 8 1916
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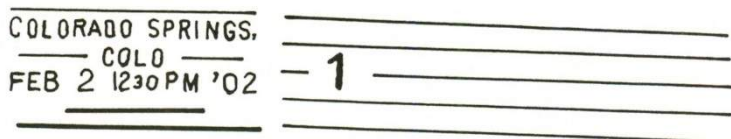
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212	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 22.5	Mach 7 wavy lines	Jul 11 1922 Jul 6 1925
213	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 22.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	Aug 11 1928 Oct 27 1930
214	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 22.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	Aug 10 1929 Dec 31 1938
215	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 22.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	Mar 22 1939 Jan 7 1948
216	COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 21.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	Dec 8 1944 Apr 5 1965
217	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO CI 10P 20.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	--- 196- Jun 1 1966
218	COLORADO SPRINGS, / CO CI 10P 22.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	May 6 1965 Jun 17 1965



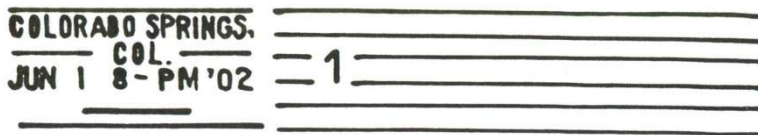
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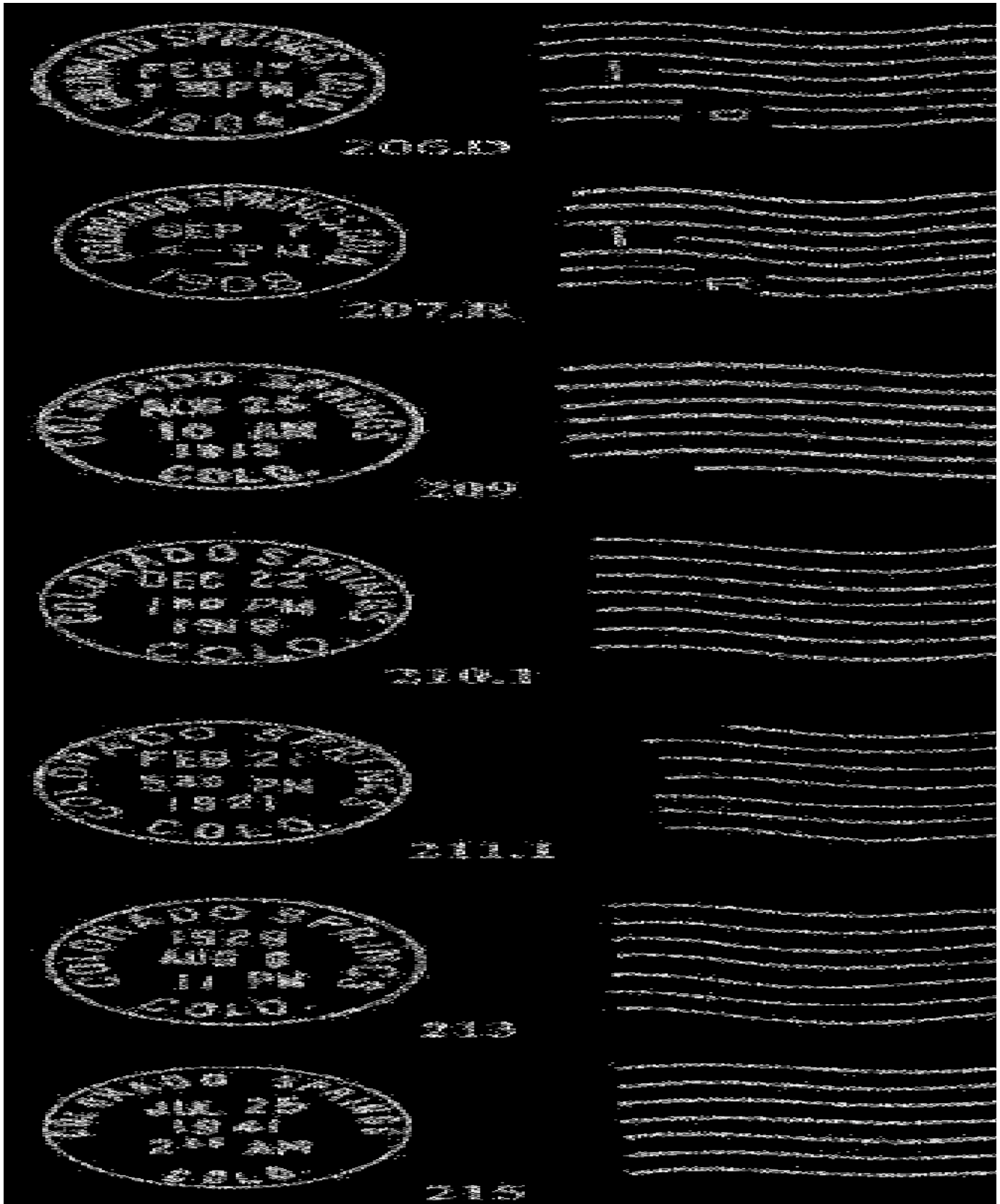


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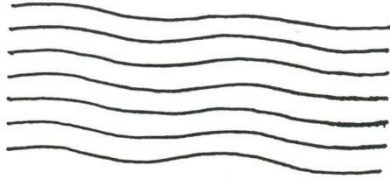
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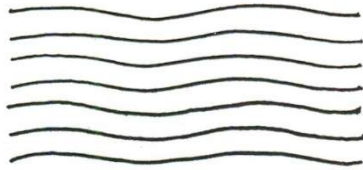
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| 219.1B COLORADO SPRINGS, CO<br>CI 10P 24.0      | Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 1B | Aug 7 1967              |
| 219.2A COLORADO SPRINGS, CO<br>CI 10P 24.0      | Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 2A | May 10 1971             |
| 219.2B COLORADO SPRINGS, CO<br>CI 10P 24.0      | Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 2B | Dec 7 1969 Dec 19 1984  |
| 220 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 20.0     | Mach 7 wavy lines         | Dec 15 1976 Jul 12 1993 |
| 220.1 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 809<br>CI 10P 20.0 | Mach 7 wavy lines         | Mar 2 1978              |
| 221.1A COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0  | Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 1A | Jun 28 1976 Nov 23 1985 |
| 221.1B COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0  | Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 1B | Jul 5 1976 Sep 25 1985  |
| 221.2A COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0  | Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 2A | Jul 12 1976 Feb 23 1987 |
| 221.2B COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0  | Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 2B | Jul 26 1976             |
| 222.1A COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0  | Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 1A | Jul 20 1992             |
| 222.1B COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0  | Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 1B | May 14 1991             |
| 222.2A COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0  | Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 2A | Jul 12 1976 Jun 5 1992  |
| 222.2B COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0  | Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 2B | Dec 3 1982 May 15 1991  |
| 222.3A COLORADO SPRING CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0    | Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 3A | Feb 16 1988             |
| 222.3B COLORADO SPRING CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0    | Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 3B | Apr 30 2003 Apr 4 2005  |
| 223.2A COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0  | Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 3A | May 29 1993 Nov 26 1997 |
| 223.3A COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0  | Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 3A | May 4 1990 Jul 3 1990   |
| 223.3B COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0  | Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 3B | Feb 12 1989 May 11 1991 |
| 224.3A COLORADO SPGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0     | Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 3A | Jun 11 1986 Nov 5 1987  |
| 224.4A COLORADO SPGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0     | Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 4A | Aug 7 1992              |
| 224.4B COLORADO SPGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0     | Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 4B | May 28 1992 May 28 1992 |

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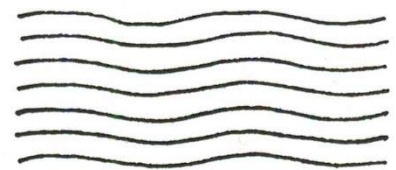
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225.3	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809 CI 10P 23.0	Oct 2 1996 Mach 7 wavy lines, Die 3
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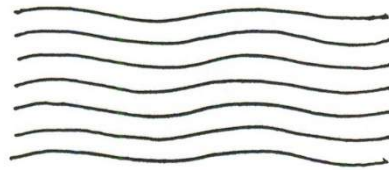
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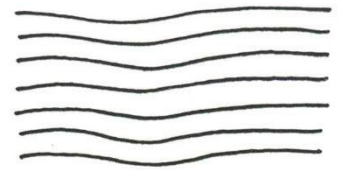
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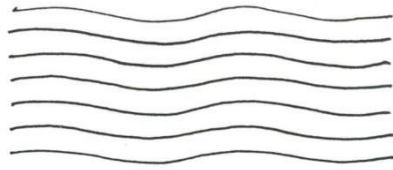
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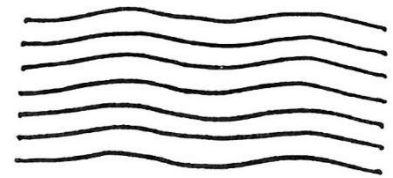
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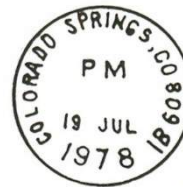
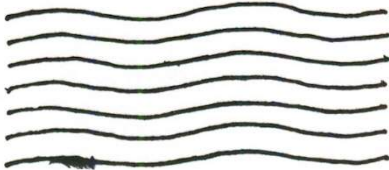
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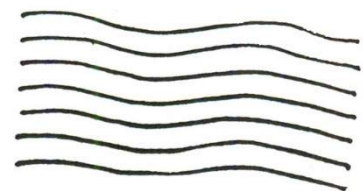
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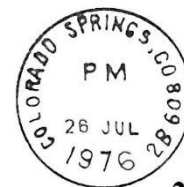
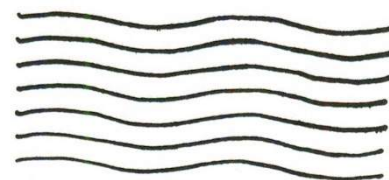
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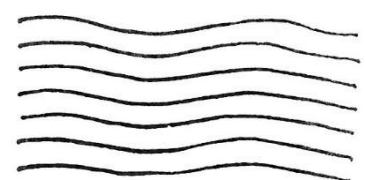
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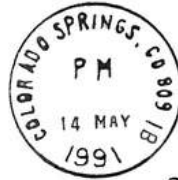
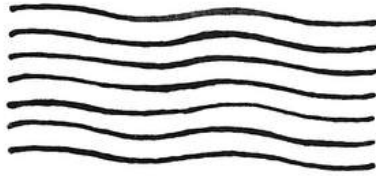
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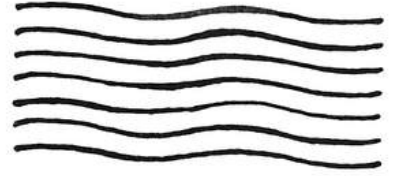
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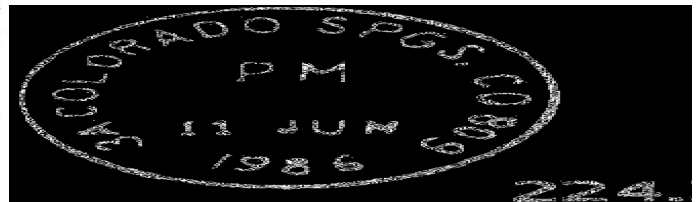
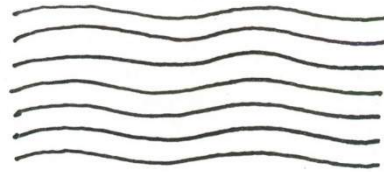
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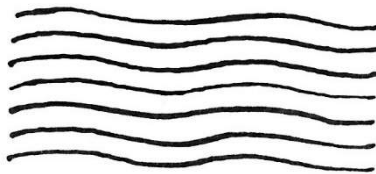
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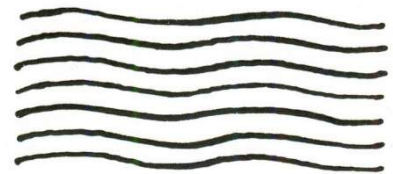
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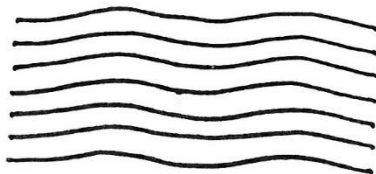
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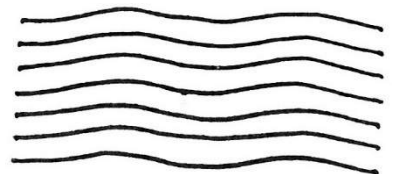
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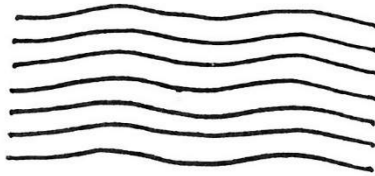
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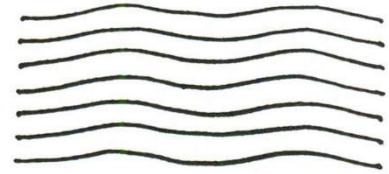
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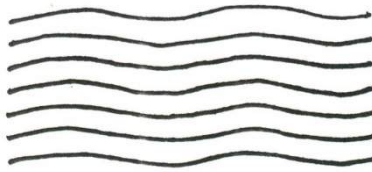
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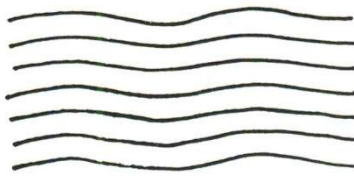
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**MACHINE SLOGAN POSTMARKS**

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| 300 | COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO.<br>CI 10P 21.0 | Jul 28 1919 Aug 22 1919<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars: VACATION / OUTDOORS / IN /<br>COLORADO'S / NATIONAL / FORESTS   |
| 301 | COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO.<br>CI 10P 21.0 | Jul 24 1919 Aug 4 1920<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars, BE CAREFUL / WITH FIRE / IN THE/<br>MOUNTAINS                    |
| 302 | COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO.<br>CI 10P 22.0 | Jul 26 1920 Oct 24 1921<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars, FIRES / DESTROY FORESTS / BE<br>CAREFUL                         |
| 303 | COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO.<br>CI 10P 22.0 | Sep 25 1922 Nov 17 1922<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars, NATIONAL CANCER WEEK/<br>NOV 12-20                              |
| 304 | COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO.<br>CI 10P 22.0 | Sep 9 1926 Aug 20 1927<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars, AIR MAIL / 'Biplane' / SAVES TIME                                |
| 305 | COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO.<br>CI 10P 22.0 | Sep 12 1951 Oct 6 1952<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars: GIVE-ENOUGH / THROUGH YOUR/<br>COMMUNITY CHEST (feather at left) |
| 306 | COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO.<br>CI 10P 21.0 | Nov 4 1953 Nov 9 1965<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars: AMERICAN EDUCATION / WEEK /<br>VISIT YOUR SCHOOLS                 |
| 307 | COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO.<br>CI 10P 23.0 | Jun 15 1954<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars: Remember-Only You Can / PREVENT<br>/ FOREST FIRES                           |
| 308 | COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO.<br>CI 10P 21.0 | Oct 2 1956 Dec 15 1956<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars: SESQUICENTENNIAL / DISCOVERY<br>OF / 1806 PIKES PEAK 1956        |

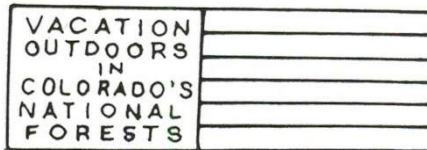
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| 309      | COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO.<br>CI 10P 22.0 | Dec 13 1956 Dec 10 1958<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars: PRAY / FOR / PEACE   |
| 310      | COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO.<br>CI 10P 21.0 | Mar 6 1959 Dec 18 1959<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars: COLORADO / RUSH TO THE<br>ROCKIES / 1859 CENTENNIAL 1959                    |
| 310.1    | COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO.<br>CI 10P 23.0 | Dec 3 1958<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars: ABILITY COUNTS, With EMPLOY<br>THE / HANDICAPPED in gear                                |
| 311      | COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO.<br>CI 10P 20.0 | Jul 22 1960 Jul 27 1960<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars, NATIONAL JAMBOREE / BOY<br>SCOUTS OF AMERICA / JULY 22 - JULY 28 1960      |
| 311.1    | COLORADO SPRINGS / CO<br>CI 10P 22.0    | Jun 1 1965<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars: HELP / GOODWILL INDUSTRIES /<br>HELP THE HANDICAPPED                                    |
| 312      | COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO.<br>CI 10P 20.0 | Sep 22 1964<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars, GIVE / THE / UNITED / WAY; with<br>fancy "U" in circle with UNITED                     |
| 312.1A   | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0 | Oct 14 1980<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars, Die 1A, GIVE / THE / UNITED / WAY;<br>with fancy "U" in circle with UNITED             |
| 312.1B   | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0 | Dec 16 1984 Dec 18 1984<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars, Die 1B, GIVE / THE / UNITED / WAY;<br>with fancy "U" in circle with UNITED |
| 312.2A   | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0 | Sep 24 1976<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars, Die 2A, GIVE / THE / UNITED / WAY;<br>with fancy "U" in circle with UNITED             |
| 312.2B   | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0 | Sep 15 1976 Dec 21 1984<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars, Die 2B, GIVE / THE / UNITED / WAY;<br>with fancy "U" in circle with UNITED |
| 313      | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO<br>CI 10P 21.0     | Aug 16 1966 Mar 30 1967<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars, ALWAYS USE / ZIP CODE  |
| 314      | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO<br>CI 10P 21.0     | Apr 10 1967 Apr 18 1967<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars, "CAN DO!" (illustration) / NAVY<br>SEABEES / 25th ANNIVERSARY              |
| 314.1A   | COLORADO SPRINGS CO, 809<br>CI 10P 23.0 | Dec 17 1978 Apr 2 1992<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars, Die 1A, HELP GOODWILL<br>INDUSTRIES / HELP THE HANDICAPPED                  |
| 314.1B   | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0 | May 27 1976 Feb 27 1982<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars, Die 1B, HELP GOODWILL<br>INDUSTRIES / HELP THE HANDICAPPED                 |
| 314.2B   | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0 | Jun 25 1986<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars, Die 2B, HELP GOODWILL<br>INDUSTRIES / HELP THE HANDICAPPED                             |
| 314.2.1A | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0 | Sep 26 1976<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars, Die 1A, COLORADO / THE<br>CENTENNIAL STATE / 1876 - 1976                               |
| 314.2.1B | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0 | Dec 27 1976<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars, Die 1B, COLORADO / THE<br>CENTENNIAL STATE / 1876 - 1976                               |
| 315.2A   | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0 | Dec 20 1981<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars, Die 2A, PLEASE MAIL / EARLY FOR<br>/ CHRISTMAS   |
| 316      | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 20.0 | Dec 6 1983 Oct 6 1987<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars, WE MEET / THE / CHALLENGE<br>[Not illustrated]                               |

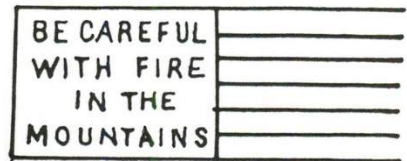
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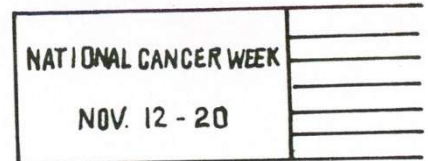
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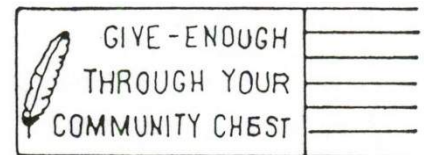
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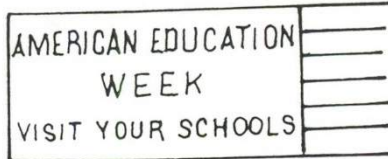
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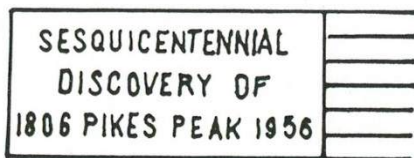
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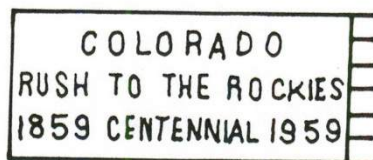
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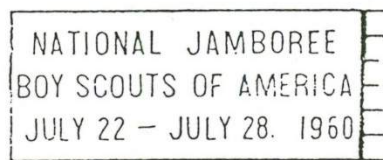
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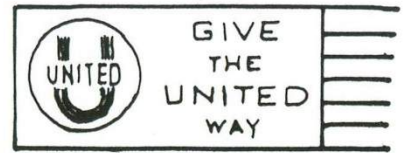
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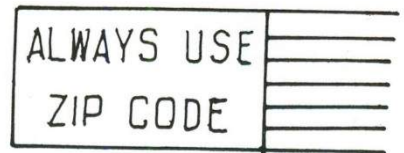
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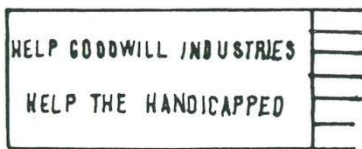
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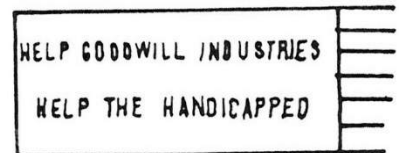
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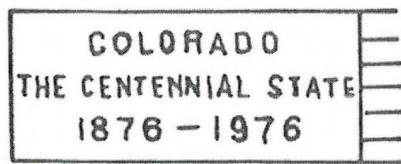
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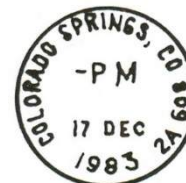
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316.1A COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809  
CI 10P 23.0

Dec 10 1983 Dec 16 1984

Mach Slogan in box with bars, Die 1A, WE MEET / THE / CHALLENGE

316.2A COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809  
CI 10P 23.0

Dec 15 1983 Dec 17 1983

Mach Slogan in box with bars, Die 2A, WE MEET / THE / CHALLENGE

316.2B COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809  
CI 10P 23.0

Dec 9 1983

Mach Slogan in box with bars, Die 2B, WE MEET / THE / CHALLENGE

317.1A COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809  
CI 10P 23.0

Jul 11 1986 Jul 28 1986

Mach Slogan in box with bars; Die 1A, COLORADO / OPERA FESTIVAL / JULY 11 - AUGUST 3

317.1B COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809  
CI 10P 23.0

Jul 16 1986

Mach Slogan in box with bars; Die 1B, COLORADO / OPERA FESTIVAL / JULY 11 - AUGUST 3

318.1A COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809  
CI 10P 23.0

Nov 12 1988 May 1 1991

Mach Slogan in box; Die 1A, NEXT DAY DELIVERY / EXPRESS / MAIL / CONTACT YOUR POST OFFICE

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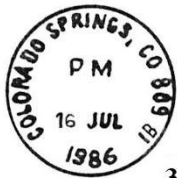
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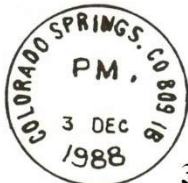
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319.1B COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809  
CI 10P 23.0

May 30 1991

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MAIL / CONTACT YOUR POST OFFICE

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CI 10P 23.0

May 4 1990 Jul 3 1990

Mach Slogan in box; Die 3A, NEXT DAY DELIVERY / EXPRESS /  
MAIL / CONTACT YOUR POST OFFICE

320.4A COLORADO. SPGS CO 809  
CI 10P 23.0

Dec 22 1988 Jul 2 1990

Mach Slogan in box; Die 4A, NEXT DAY DELIVERY / EXPRESS /  
MAIL / CONTACT YOUR POST OFFICE

320.4B COLORADO. SPGS CO 809  
CI 10P 23.0

Feb 7 1990 Jul 2 1990

Mach Slogan in box; Die 4B, NEXT DAY DELIVERY / EXPRESS /  
MAIL / CONTACT YOUR POST OFFICE

321.1A COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809  
CI 10P 23.0

Feb 12 1990 May 20 1991

Mach Slogan in box; Die 1A, THANK YOU / FOR USING / THE  
POSTAL SERVICE

321.1B COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809  
CI 10P 23.0

Apr 20 1990 Jul 4 1990

Mach Slogan in box; Die 1B, THANK YOU / FOR USING / THE  
POSTAL SERVICE

321.2A COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809  
CI 10P 23.0

Feb 4 1991

Mach Slogan in box; Die 2a, THANK YOU / FOR USING / THE  
POSTAL SERVICE

321.2B COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809  
CI 10P 23.0

Jan 27 1989 Oct 23 1991

Mach Slogan in box; Die 2B, THANK YOU / FOR USING / THE  
POSTAL SERVICE

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Jan 30 1990 May 9 1991

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POSTAL SERVICE

322.3B COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809  
CI 10P 23.0

Jul 15 1989 May 16 1991

Mach Slogan in box; Die 3B, THANK YOU / FOR USING / THE  
POSTAL SERVICE

323.4A COLORADO. SPGS CO 809  
CI 10P 23.0

Apr 7 1989 1 1990 Oct 1 1991

Mach Slogan in box; Die 4A, THANK YOU / FOR USING / THE  
POSTAL SERVICE

323.4B COLORADO. SPGS CO 809  
CI 10P 23.0

May 4 1990 May 1 1991

Mach Slogan in box; Die 4B, THANK YOU / FOR USING / THE  
POSTAL SERVICE

324.4A COLORADO. SPGS CO 809  
CI 10P 23.0

Sep 29 1989

Mach Slogan in box; Die 4A, Begin an Adventure of / Giant  
Proportions / Collect Stamps!, with dinosaur

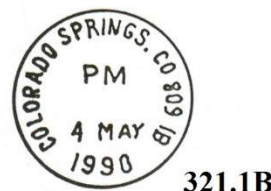
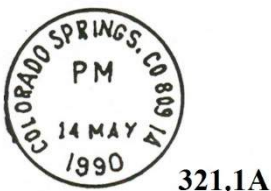
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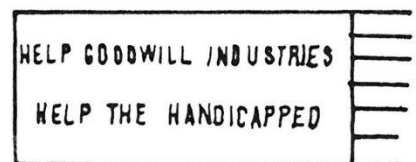
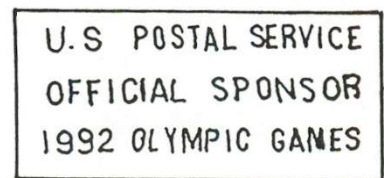
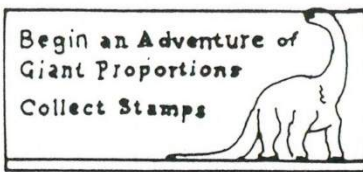
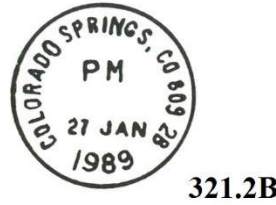
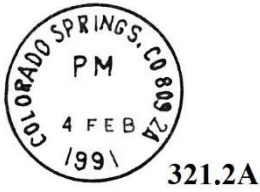
Mach Slogan in box; Die 4B, Begin an Adventure of / Giant  
Proportions / Collect Stamps!, with dinosaur

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| 325.2A COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0   | Feb 8 1990 May 1 1991<br>Mach Slogan in box: Die 2A, U. S. POSTAL SERVICE / OFFICIAL SPONSOR / 1992 OLYMPIC GAMES   |
| 325.2B COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0   | Nov 29 1990 Nov 14 1991<br>Mach Slogan in box: Die 2B, U. S. POSTAL SERVICE / OFFICIAL SPONSOR / 1992 OLYMPIC GAMES   |
| 326.0.2A COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 22.5 | Jan 30 1992<br>Mach Slogan in box with bars: Die 2A, HELP GOODWILL INDUSTRIES / HELP THE HANDICAPPED  |
| 326.1A COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0   | Sep 24 1991 Oct 22 1991<br>Mach Slogan; Die 1A, Journey / to a / New / Frontier. / Collect Stamps; with Starship Enterprise                                 |
| 327.1 COLORADO SPRINGS CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0     | Nov 24 2000 Dec 20 2000<br>Mach Slogan: Die 1, HAPPY "WHO-LIDAYS" / from the / U.S. Postal Service; Grinch's hand holding Xmas ornament                     |
| 328.1B COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0   | May 30 1991<br>Mach Slogan in box; Die 1B, NEXT DAY DELIVERY / EXPRESS / MAIL / CONTACT YOUR POST OFFICE and holding Xmas ornament                          |
| 329.1 COLORADO SPRINGS CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0     | Mar 26 1993 May 16 1993<br>Mach Slogan in box, Die 1, Dolphin with text: Splash / Into an Ocean / of Fun! / Collect Stamps!                                 |
| 330.1 COLORADO SPRINGS CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0     | Dec 30 2004<br>Mach Slogan, Die 1, Stamp, hand holding magnifier; text - STAMP / COOL-lecting / IT'S HOBBY FORMING / 1999 NATIONAL STAMP / COLLECTING MONTH |
| 331.2 COLORADO SPRINGS CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0     | Mar 25 2005<br>Mach Slogan, Die 2, GREETINGS FROM / RODNEY and / FENDER: With two cartoon robots  |
| 331.3B COLORADO SPRINGS CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0    | Jan 27 2005 Mar 16 2005<br>Mach Slogan, Die 3B, GREETINGS FROM / RODNEY and / FENDER: With two cartoon robots   |
| 332.2 COLORADO SPRINGS CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0     | Oct 14 1997<br>Mach Slogan, Die 2, Castle & graveyard with CLASSIC / MOVIE MONSTERS / 1997 STAMP COLLECTING MONTH<br>[Not Illustrated]                      |
| 333.1 COLORADO SPRINGS CO 809<br>CI 10P 23.0     | Nov 14 1998<br>Mach Slogan, Die 1, Space shuttle & planets with SPACE DISCOVERY / 1998 NATIONAL STAMP COLLECTING MONTH<br>[Not Illustrated]                 |



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MACHINE SLOGAN POSTMARKS – Continued

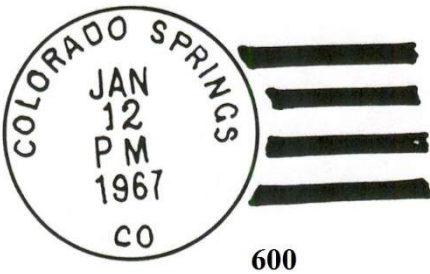


**COLORADO SPRINGS – Continued  
MACHINE SLOGAN POSTMARKS – Continued**



**4 BAR POSTMARKS**

600	COLORADO SPRINGS / CO CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-24x20mm	Jan 12 1967
601	COLORADO SPRINGS / CO CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-24x18mm	Jul 4 1976
602	COLORADO SPRINGS / CO CI 10P 31.0	4bars S-24x18mm	May 5 1986
603	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80901 CI 10P 32.5	4bars S-27x20mm	Oct 25 1993

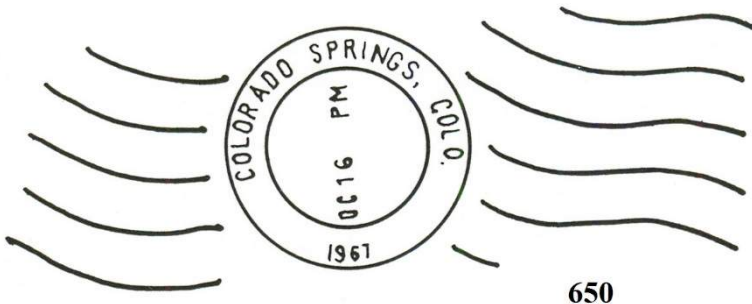


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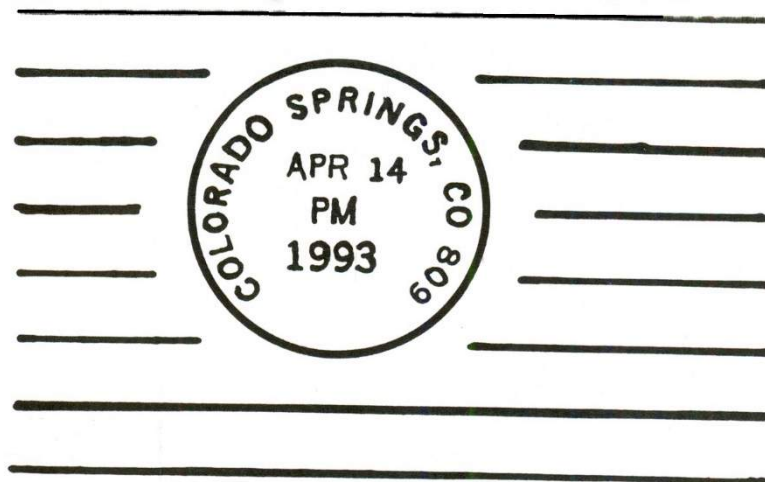
ROLLER POSTMARKS

- 650 COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO.  
CI 11P 32.0/23.0
- 651 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 809  
CI 10P 37.0
- 652 COLORADO SPRING, CO 809  
CI 10H 35.0

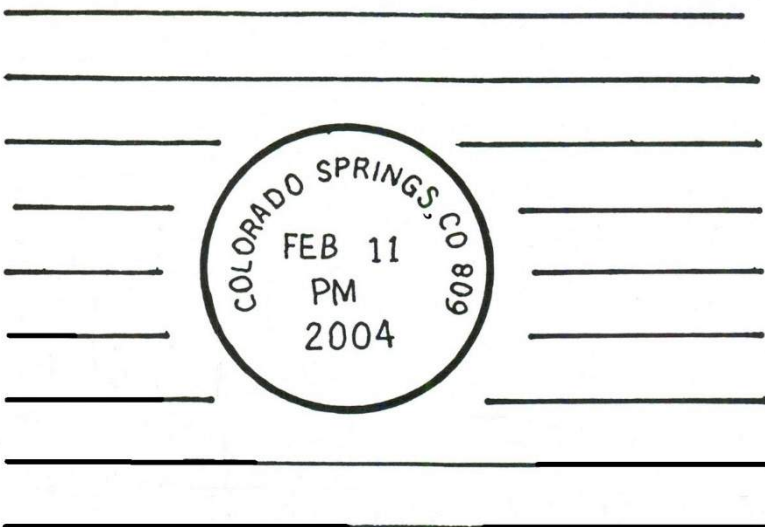
- Oct 16 1967 Jul 29 1968  
Rolr 7 slanted wavy lines
- Apr 14 1993  
Rolr 8 bars, continuous imprint CDS and bars, for large flats
- Aug 6 2000 Feb 11 2004  
Rolr 8 bars, continuous imprint CDS and bars, for large flats



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**COLORADO SPRINGS – Continued**

**INK JET POSTMARKS**

- 700 COLO SPGS 809 // WE DELIVER FOR YULE Dec 9 1992 Dec 7 1993  
SL 00R variable IJET No killer, size 117.0x3.5
- 701 COLO SPGS 809 // SEASON'S GREETINGS Dec 11 1994 Dec 18 1994  
SL 00R variable IJET No killer, size 110.0x2.5
- 702 GMF COLO SPRINGS : OCR #1 May 6 1993 Jun 1 1993  
SL 106.0x4.0 IJET No killer

700 WE DELIVER FOR YULE 12-16-92 COLO SPGS 809

701 SEASON'S GREETINGS COLO SPGS 809 17:03 12/18/94

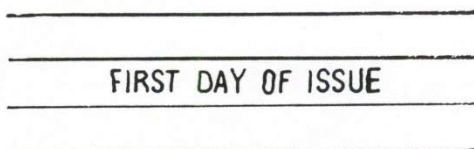
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**FIRST DAY OF ISSUE POSTMARKS**

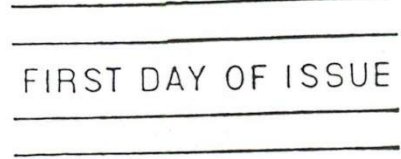
- 850.H COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. Jul 31 1958  
CI 10P 23.0 Hstp 4 lines with FIRST DAY OF ISSUE; 5c eagle red airmail FDC
- 850.M COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. Jul 31 1958  
CI 10P 20.0 Mach 4 lines with FIRST DAY OF ISSUE; 5c eagle red airmail FDC
- 851.M COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80901 Nov 1 1979 Nov 1 1979  
CI 10P 20.0 Mach 4 lines with FIRST DAY OF ISSUE; 31c 1980 Olympics FDC
- 852.H COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80901 Nov 4 1983  
CI 10P 24.0 Hstp 4 lines with FIRST DAY OF ISSUE; 4x35c Olympics Airmail stamps FDC
- 853.H COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80901 Aug 19 1988  
CI 10P 24.0 Hstp 4 lines with FIRST DAY OF ISSUE; 25c Olympic Games stamp
- 853.M COLORADO SPRINGS CO / 80901 Aug 19 1988 Aug 19 1988  
CI 10P 20.0 Mach 4 lines with FIRST DAY OF ISSUE; 25c Olympic Games stamp
- 854.H COLORADO SPRINGS CO / 80903 Jan 11 2005  
CI 10P 23.5 Mach No killer. Used at the First Day of Issue Ceremony for the 39c Winter Olympic Games stamp
- 854.M COLORADO SPRINGS CO / 80903 Jan 11 2005  
CI 10P 21.0 Mach 4 lines with FIRST DAY OF ISSUE; 39c Winter Olympic Games stamp
- 854.P COLORADO SPRINGS CO / 80903 Jan 11 2005  
CI 10P 22.0 Hstp Downhill skier; Text – FIRST DAY OF ISSUE/ Olympic Winter Games / Torino, Italy [First Day of Issue, 39c Winter Olympic Games stamp]



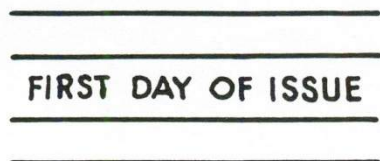
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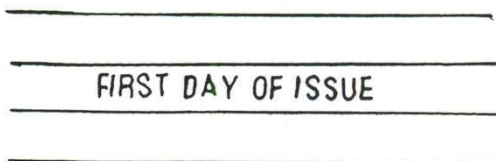
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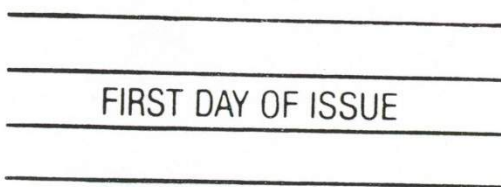
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FIRST DAY OF ISSUE POSTMARKS – Continued



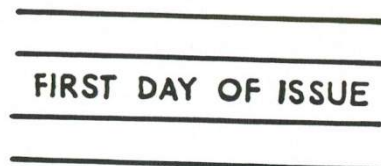
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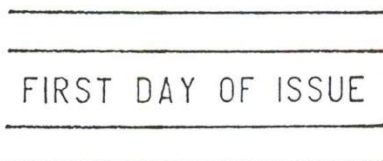
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FIRST DAY OF ISSUE

Olympic Winter Games  
Torino, Italy

MISCELLANEOUS AND AUXILIARY POSTMARKS

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|-----|---|--|
| 902 | COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / CLK.No 2<br>CI 10P 29.0 | Jul 8 1900 Aug 9 1907<br>Hstp No killer, receiving mark  |
| 904 | COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / CLK.No 4<br>CI 10P 29.0 | Dec 5 1901 Dec 7 1906<br>Hstp No killer, backstamp       |
| 905 | COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / CLK.No 5<br>CI 10P 30.0 | Jul 6 1906 Mar 15 1907<br>Hstp No killer                 |
| 906 | COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / CLK.No 6<br>CI 10P 29.0 | Sep 8 1900 Aug 21 1906<br>Hstp No killer, receiving mark |



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**COLORADO SPRINGS – Continued  
MISCELLANEOUS AND AUXILIARY POSTMARKS – Continued**

- 910 Colorado Springs, Colo. / POST OFFICE / General Delivery Feb 7 1889  
SL 00R 53.0x25.0 Hstp No killer
- 916 COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / REC'D. May 27 1938 Sep 25 1947  
CI 10P 30.0 Hstp No killer

**Colorado Springs, Colo.  
POST OFFICE,  
FEB 7 1889  
General Delivery**

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- 930 Colorado Springs, Colo. // REGISTERED Oct-- 1895  
SL 00R 55.0x12.0 Hstp Cork, Smudge, black, Registered cover
- 931 COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / REGISTERED Oct 19 1900 Dec 4 1901  
CI 11P 29.0/19.0 Hstp Cork, Black Negative X-roads
- 932 Colorado Springs, Colo. // REGISTERED May 15 1902 Oct 27 1905  
CI 11P 30.0/19.0 Hstp Cork, Smudge, black
- 933 COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / REG. DIV. Apr 18 1908 Nov 16 1908  
CI 11P 32.0/21.0 Hstp No killer
- 933.1 COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / REG. DIV. Nov 20 1917  
CI 11P 29.5/19.5 Hstp No killer
- 934 COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / (REG. DIV.) Jul 10 1941 Oct 8 1943  
CI 11P 28.0/18.5 Hstp No killer

**REGISTERED  
Colorado Springs, Colo.**

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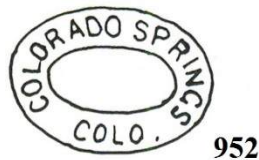
- 950 Colorado Springs Sep 22 1902  
SL 00R 46.0x21.0 Hstp RETURNED FROM / HOTEL SHOP OR OFFICE / SEP.  
22 1902 / Colorado Springs, Colo. P.O.
- 951 Colorado Springs, Colo. P.O. Aug 13 1912  
CI 10P 29.0 Hstp Reads: DEFICIENCY (IN / ADDRESS/ SUPPLIED /  
BY) Colorado Springs, Colo. P.O.

COLORADO SPRINGS – Continued

MISCELLANEOUS AND AUXILIARY POSTMARKS – Continued

- 952 COLORADO SPRINGS / COLO. --- -- 1920s Apr 18 1940  
OV 11P 26.5x19/16.5x9 Hstp No killer, Parcel Post Mute postmark
- 953 COLORADO SPRGS, COLO. Jul 29, 1931 May 29 1935  
IR 00R 48.0x28.0 Hstp Pointing Hand with: RETURNED / TO / SENDER / UNCLAIMED / FROM COLORADO SPRGS, COLO.
- 954 colorado springs Jun 18 1913  
SL 00R 49.0/9.0 Hstp Auxiliary marking: THIS IS THE MAIL / FOR WHICH YOU SENT POSTAGE
- 954.1 COLO. SPNGS., COLO. / NO.5 //RECD COLO. SPGS. . COLO. VIA K.C. & Sep 30 1899  
CI 11P 35.0/21.0 Hstp No killer [Not Illustrated]
- 955 Colorado Springs, Col. // Rec'd / Via K.C. & Colo. Spgs. Tr. 5. Dec 25 1903 Jul 31 1905  
CI 21P 33.0/31.0/21.0 Hstp No killer
- 956 Colorado Springs, Colo. / CORRECT. / John Potter P.M. Jan 13 1879  
SL 00R 33.0x14.0 Hstp No killer
- 957 colorado springs Aug 25 1908  
SL 00R 24.0x4.0 Hstp Auxiliary marking: Held for postage,
- 958 colorado springs Feb 20 1988  
SL 00R 38.0x13.0 Hstp Auxiliary marking: Postage illegal when / reused or taped over /Return for Postage

RETURNED FROM  
HOTEL SHOP OR OFFICE  
SEP. 22 1902  
Colorado Springs, Colo. P. O.  
950



  
RETURNED TO SENDER  
UNCLAIMED  
FROM COLORADO SPRGS. COLO. 953

THIS IS THE MAIL  
FOR WHICH YOU SENT POSTAGE  
954



Colorado Springs, Colo.  
**CORRECT,**  
JOHN POTTER P.M. 956

Held for postage,  
957

Postage illegal when  
reused or taped over  
Return for Postage 958

**COLORADO SPRINGS – Continued**

**COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES**

**GENERAL MAIL FACILITY**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

----- Established as a Station of Colorado Springs

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO GMF / USPO CI 11P 28.5/18.0 Hstp No killer	Jul 18 1989 Oct 27 1989
2	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO GMF / USPO CI 11P 29.0/19.0 Hstp No killer, large letters	Oct 19 1991 Oct 16 1993
3	COLO SPRINGS 809 OCR#1 // GMF SL 00R 103.0x3.0 IJET No killer	May 12 1992 Apr 15 1993
4	COLO SPRINGS 809 OCR#2 // GMF SL 00R 105.0x2.0 IJET No killer	Jul 6 1992
5	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO GMF / USPS CI 11P 28.0/19.0 Hstp No killer	Apr 14 1993
6	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO REGISTRY GMF / USPO CI 11P 28.0/18.5 Hstp No killer	Mar 31 1993
7	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO GMF / USPO CI 11P 28.0/18.0 Hstp No killer	Oct 16 1993
8	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO GMF / USPO CI 11P 29.0/19.0 Hstp No killer	Oct 15 1994 Oct 15 1994
9	COLORADO SPRINGS CO GMF / USPO CI 11P 29.0/19.0 Hstp No killer	Oct 16 1993 Jun 5 1996



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GMF COLO SPRINGS 809 15:39 04/12/93 OCR#1

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GMF COLO SPRINGS 809 22:53 07/06/92 OCR 2

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## COLORADO SPRINGS – Continued

## COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued

## PROCESSING &amp; DISTRIBUTION CENTER

## Chronology of the Post Office

----- Established as a Station of Colorado Springs

## Confirmed types of postal markings

1	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO P&DC / USPS CI 11P 29.0/19.0	Feb 2 1996 Sep 24 1996 Hstp No killer
2	COLO SPGS OCR #1 // P&DC SL 00R 102.0x3.0	Oct 2 1996 IJET No killer



P&DC COLO SPGS 909 20:57 10/02/96 OCR #1

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## AIR BASE BRANCH/STATION

The history of postal operations at the military air bases at Colorado Springs is somewhat confusing and I am not certain that I fully comprehend the changes that took place.

Military air operations at Colorado Springs began during World War II with the establishment of the Colorado Springs Air Base. The headquarters for the air base was within Colorado Springs and air traffic was handled at a field east of the city. From the information in Post Office Department records the initial post office was at the air base and not at the headquarters in Colorado Springs.

The headquarters site in the city is now the site of the United States Regional Olympic Training Center.

At some point, the name was changed to Ent Air Base to honor Second Air Force Commander Uzal B. Ent. At least one source claims the base was known by that name during the war, while another source states that the change took place after the war.

At some point in time, and again there are conflicts of information, the airfield became known as Peterson Field.

## Chronology of the Post Office

Oct 5 1942	NOTE: "The post office at the Air Base is located in the northeast corner of section nineteen, This office is eight and two tenths miles from the Post office." WHB NOTE: This site within the grounds of Peterson Air Force Base
Oct 15 1942	Established as a branch of Colorado Springs
Apr 1 1943	Became a Classified Station
Dec 31 1946	Discontinued

## Confirmed types of postal markings

1	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / AIR BASE BR. CI 11P 30.0/19.0	Oct 15 1942 May 7 1945 Hstp No killer
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**COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued**  
**BLACK FOREST RURAL STATION - Continued**

The Monument Divide was thickly covered with ponderosa pine and was the location for many lumber mills that supplied building materials for Denver and other Colorado towns.

The thick, dark forest gave rise to the name Black Forest. Some surmise this was because of a resemblance to the famous Black Forest of Germany.

A number of small communities did develop in the area and many had their own post offices. However one such community that took the name Black Forest never had an independent post office. It was not until 1960 that a post office was opened there as a Rural Branch of Colorado Springs.

By 1960 the timber industry was mostly a thing of the past. But the area was becoming a residential area on the far eastern edge of Colorado Springs. That kind of growth has continued to spread east and Black Forest is no longer on the edge of the city.

The Rural Branch has had more than one location. One of the more recent was in the southwest corner of the intersection of Shoup Road and Black Forest Road. By 1997 the post office had relocated to a small, rustic style strip mall on the east side of Black Forest Road about a mile and a half south of Shoup Road.

From Interstate 25 exit at the North Gate Entrance to the Air Force Academy. Go east on North Gate Road to Colorado Highway 83, then south to Shoup Road and finally east to Black Forest Road.

Latitude = 39:00:47 North Longitude = 104:42:01 West

**Chronology of the Post Office**

- Apr 16 1960      Established as a Rural Station of Colorado Springs
- Feb 10 1966      Designated a Rural Branch of Colorado Springs
- Now a Community Post Office

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

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|---|--|-------------------------|
| 1 | COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / BLACK FOREST RUR. STA.<br>CI 10P 32.0<br>4bars S-24x18mm     | Apr 16 1960 May 22 1964 |
| 2 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / BLACK FOREST RUR. STA.<br>CI 10P 33.0<br>4bars S-24x20mm        | Nov 1 1967              |
| 3 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / BLACK FOREST RUR. BR.<br>CI 10P 32.0<br>4bars S-25x18mm         | Apr 17 1970 Mar 1 1976  |
| 4 | COLORADO SPRINGS CO BLACK FOREST RUR. BR. / USPO<br>CI 11P 27.0/17.5<br>Hstp No killer | Sep 15 1975 Dec 17 1975 |



**COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued  
BLACK FOREST RURAL STATION - Continued**



**BRIARGATE STATION  
Chronology of the Post Office**

1986                      Established as a Station of Colorado Springs  
                                 Located at 7870 North Academy Boulevard

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- |   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| 1 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO BRIARGATE / USPO<br>CI 11P 28.0/18.0      | Jan 30 1985 Mar 23 1993<br>Hstp No killer  |
| 2 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO BRIARGATE STA. / USPO<br>CI 11P 29.0/19.0 | Jun 1 1993<br>Hstp No killer USPO inverted |



**BROADMOOR STATION**

Latitude = 38:47:44 North    Longitude = 104:50:27 West

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Aug 1 1959              Formerly Station No. 6 of Colorado Springs  
                                 Initially located in the lobby of the Broadmoor Hotel  
                                 Later moved to another building on the resort grounds

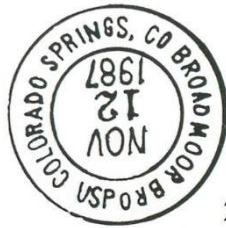
Aug 1 1963              Designated a Classified Branch of Colorado Springs  
                                 Located at Lake Circle and Lake Avenue

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

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|---|--|---|
| 1 | COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / BROADMOOR BR.<br>CI 11P 28.0/18.0  | Oct 16 1959 Sep 15 1970<br>Hstp No killer |
| 2 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO BROADMOOR BR / USPO<br>CI 11P 28.0/18.0 | Jun 29 1984 Nov 12 1987<br>Hstp No killer |

COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued  
BROADMOOR STATION - Continued

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**C.O.D. STATION****Chronology of the Post Office**

May 1953      Established as a Station of Colorado Springs

**Confirmed types of postal markings**1      COLORADO SPRINGS (C.O.D. STA.) COLO. / M.O.B.  
CI 11P 29.0/19.0      Hstp No killer

Jul 30 1928 Dec 11 1928



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**CAMP CARSON BRANCH**

On December 29, 1941 the people of Colorado Springs learned that a major army installation would be constructed south and west of the city. The new base would be named Camp Carson in honor of the famous trapper and scout, Kit Carson.

The post grew rapidly during World War II and the growth continued even into the late twentieth century. The large, sparsely populated area in the triangle between Interstate 25 on the east, US Highway 50 on the south and Colorado Highway 115 to the northwest is now almost fully occupied by the army base.

In 1954 Camp Carson was reclassified as Fort Carson and is considered a permanent installation.

As a military facility, access into the base is restricted. In May 2001 Jim Ozment and I were able to enter through the main gate from Colorado 115 and drive a short distance to the visitor center. The Fort Carson Post Office is within the base.

Since its establishment Camp Carson and subsequently Fort Carson, has been a branch of the Colorado Springs Post Office.

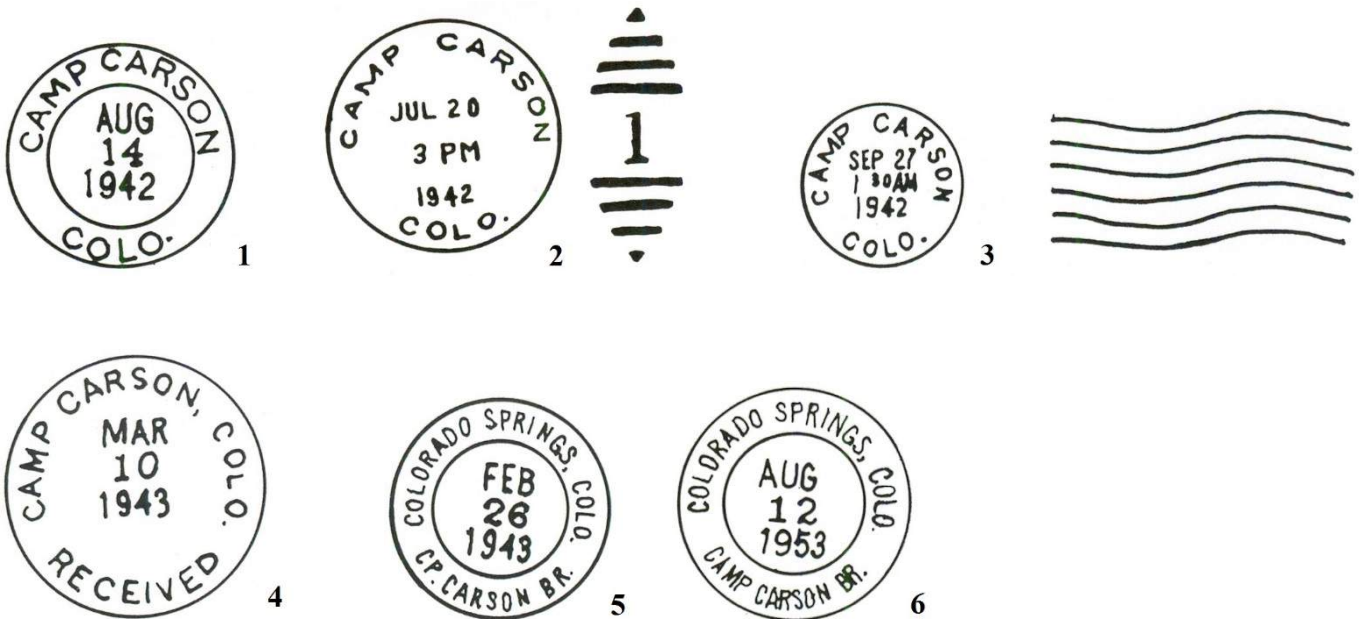
**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jun 25 1942      Established as a Classified Branch of Colorado Springs  
Mar 21 1947 ---      NOTE: "Mail for Camp Carson is supplied through the Colorado Springs office and is transported to the Camp Carson Branch Office by Army truck."  
NOTE: "Post Office located in N.W. corner of section 16. (T15S R67W)  
7 miles - 10th Street entrance. 7.4 miles - "B" Street entrance  
Nov 1 1954      Name changed to Fort Carson Branch of Colorado Springs

**COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued  
CAMP CARSON BRANCH - Continued**

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	CAMP CARSON / COLO. CI 11P 29.0/18.0	Hstp No killer	Aug 3 1942 Aug 14 1942
2	CAMP CARSON / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Dplx Grid, pointed oval with 1; Military mail, "FREE"	Jul 20 1942 Sep 15 1942
3	CAMP CARSON / COLO. CI 10P 21.0	Mach 6 wavy lines, "FREE"	Sep 27 1942 Jun 7 1945
4	CAMP CARSON, COLO. / RECEIVED CI 10P 34.0	Hstp No Killer	Mar 10 1943
5	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / CP. CARSON BR. CI 11P 28.0/18.0	Hstp No Killer	Feb 26 1943 Dec 7 1951
6	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / CAMP CARSON BR. CI 11P 29.0/19.0	Hstp No Killer	Apr 19 1953 Aug 12 1953



**CAMP CARSON / FORT CARSON M. O. U. 1**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jul 13 1942	Established
Apr 1 1948	Temporarily closed
Nov 1 1954	Name changed to Fort Carson
Jun 5 1956	Now Active
Jun 5 1956	Discontinued
-----	Re-established

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / CP. CARSON BR. UNIT NO. 1 CI 11P 28.5/18.5	Hstp No killer, "FREE"	Nov 1 1942
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COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued  
CAMP CARSON/FORT CARSON M.O.U. 2 – Continued

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**CAMP CARSON / FORT CARSON M. O. U. 2****Chronology of the Post Office**

Dec 1 1942	Established
Nov 1 1954	Name changed to Fort Carson
Jun 5 1956	Assigned to Camp Hale (Eagle County)
Aug 31 1957	Discontinued

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / CP. CARSON BR. UNIT NO. 2	Feb 14 1943
	CI 11P 28.5/18.5	Hstp No killer, "FREE"



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**CAMP CARSON / FORT CARSON M. O. U. 3****Chronology of the Post Office**

Nov 1 1943	Established
Nov 1 1954	Name changed to Fort Carson

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. Camp Carson Br. / UNIT 3	Feb 27 1943
	CI 11P 30.0/19.0	Hstp No killer, "FREE"



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**COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued**

**CAMP CARSON / FORT CARSON M. O. U. 4**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Nov 1 1943	Established as a Station of Colorado Springs
Nov 1 1954	Name changed to Fort Carson

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

**NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM CAMP CARSON BRANCH M.O.U. 4**

**CAMP CARSON / FORT CARSON M. O. U. 5**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Nov 1 1943	Established as a Station of Colorado Springs
Nov 1 1954	Name changed to Fort Carson
Dec 15 1966	Letter of Authorization to Colorado Springs

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

**NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM CAMP CARSON BRANCH M.O.U. 5**

**CAMP CARSON / FORT CARSON M. O. U. 6**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jan 24 1944	Established as a Station of Colorado Springs
Nov 1 1954	Name changed to Fort Carson
Dec 15 1966	Letter of Authorization to Colorado Springs

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

**NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM CAMP CARSON BRANCH M.O.U. 6**

**CAMP CARSON / FORT CARSON M. O. U. 7**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jan 24 1944	Established as a Station of Colorado Springs
Nov 1 1954	Name changed to Fort Carson
Dec 15 1966	Letter of Authorization to Colorado Springs

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

**NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM CAMP CARSON BRANCH M.O.U. 7**

**CAMP CARSON / FORT CARSON M. O. U. 8**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jan 24 1944	Established as a Station of Colorado Springs
Nov 1 1954	Name changed to Fort Carson

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

**NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM CAMP CARSON BRANCH M.O.U. 8**

**CHEYENNE STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

1987	Established as a Station of Colorado Springs
	Closed

**COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued**  
**CHEYENNE STATION – Continued****Confirmed types of postal markings**

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM CHEYENNE STATION

**COLORADO CITY BRANCH****Chronology of the Post Office**

Jul 1 1916      Was to be established as a branch of Colorado Springs  
Establishment postponed Later became West End Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM COLORADO CITY BRANCH

**DOWNTOWN STATION****Chronology of the Post Office**

--- 1922      Established  
Oct 5 1951      Discontinued  
----      Re-established

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- |   |  |                         |
|---|--|-------------------------|
| 1 | COLORADO SPRINGS CO DOWNTOWN STA. / USPO<br>CI 11P 29.0/19.0      Hstp No Killer | Apr 14 1993 Mar 29 1996 |
| 2 | COLORADO SPRINGS CO DOWNTOWN STA / USPS<br>CI 11P 30.0/19.0      Hstp No Killer  | Jun 30 1997             |



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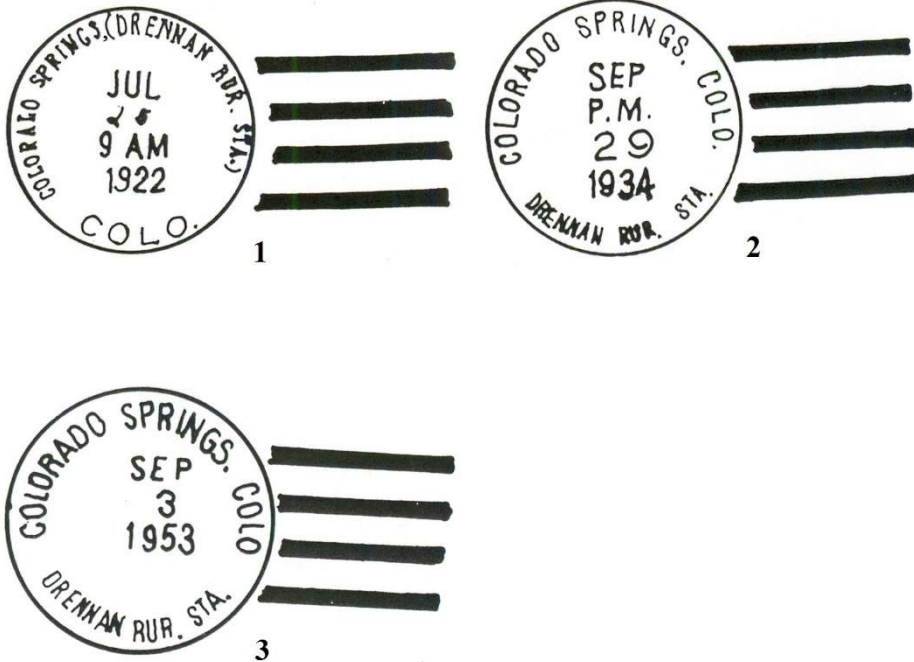
**DRENNAN RURAL STATION****Chronology of the Post Office**

1922      Name changed from Hibbard Rural Station of Colorado Springs  
Oct 5 1951      Discontinued (Date questionable)

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- |   |   |                        |
|---|---|------------------------|
| 1 | COLORADO SPRINGS, (DRENNAN RUR. STA.) / COLO.<br>CI 10P 32.0      4bars S-23x20mm | Jul 25 1922            |
| 2 | COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / DRENNAN RUR. STA.<br>CI 10P 33.0      4bars S-25x20mm   | Sep 29 1934 May 7 1951 |
| 3 | COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / DRENNAN RUR. STA.<br>CI 10P 35.0      4bars S-25x21mm   | Sep 3 1953             |

**COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued  
DRENNAN RURAL STATION – Continued**



**ENT AIR FORCE BASE STATION**

At some point in time, either during World War II or after the war had ended, the name of the Colorado Springs Air Base was changed to Ent Air Base. This took place sometime before 1951 as Ent Air Base postmarks from 1951 have been recorded.

As was previously mentioned, the initial post office (Air Base Branch) was most likely at the airfield east of Colorado Springs, which was eventually renamed Peterson Field. The headquarters for Ent Air Base was in the city of Colorado Springs.

In 1961 a Branch Post Office opened under the name of Peterson Field. Undoubtedly it was at the airfield. But the Ent Air Force Base Station was not discontinued until 1975. Was that merely sloppy record keeping, or did the Ent Air Force Base Station move to the headquarters and continue operations from there?

**Chronology of the Post Office**

-----                      Established as a Station of Colorado Springs  
Jun 20 1975                  Discontinued

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

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|---|--|---------------------------|
| 1 | COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / Ent Air Force Base Br.<br>CI 11P 30.0/19.0                      Hstp No Killer | Feb 20 1951   Feb 20 1951 |
| 2 | COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / ENT AIR FORCE BASE BR.<br>CI 11P 29.0/19.0                      Hstp No Killer | Feb 26 1953               |

COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued  
ENT AIR FORCE BASE STATION – Continued

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**ENT AIR FORCE BASE M.O.S.****Chronology of the Post Office**

----- Established as a Station of Colorado Springs

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM ENT AIR FORCE BASE M.O.S.

**ENT AIR FORCE BASE M.O.U.****Chronology of the Post Office**

----- Established as a Station of Colorado Springs

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

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|---|--|-------------------------|
| 3 | COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. MOU ENT AFB / USPO | Sep 21 1970             |
|   | CI 11P 30.0/19.0                           | Hstp No Killer          |
| 4 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / ENT MOB             | Apr 16 1972 Apr 23 1972 |
|   | CI 10P 33.0                                | 4bars S-25x20mm         |



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**FALCON STATION****Chronology of the Post Office**

--- 1985 Established as a Station of Colorado Springs

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- |   |   |  |
|---|---|--|
| 1 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO FALCON COMMUNITY POST OFFICE / 80831 | Apr 15 1993 Dec 7 1993                       |
|   | CI 10P 31.5   | 4bars S-24x19mm [Zip 80831 at bottom of cds] |
| 2 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO FALCON COMMUNITY POST OFFICE / USPS  | Apr 15 1993                                  |
|   | CI 11P 28.0/18.0  | Hstp No killer                               |
| 3 | FALCON, CO 80831 / USPS                                   | Sep 26 2001                                  |
|   | CI 11P 32.5/21.5  | Hstp No killer, Bridge style                 |

**COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued  
FALCON STATION – Continued**



**FORT CARSON BRANCH**

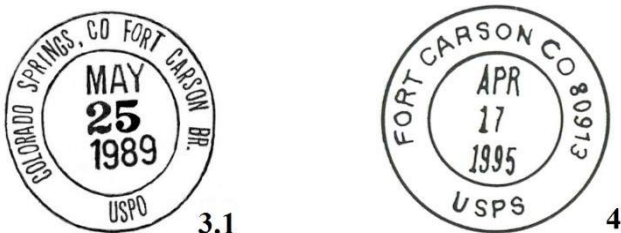
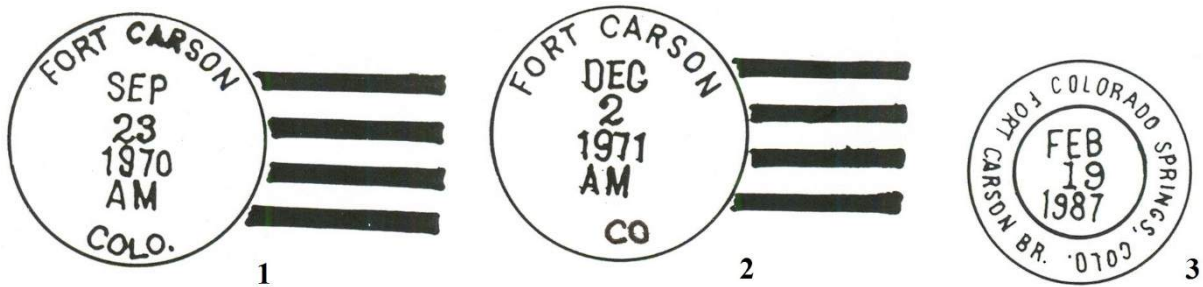
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**Chronology of the Post Office**

Nov 1 1954      Classified Branch Colorado Springs Formerly Camp Carson  
Dec 1 1958      Became a branch of Colorado Springs.  
                    Located in Building 1519

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- |     |   |                 |                         |
|-----|---|-----------------|-------------------------|
| 1   | FORT CARSON / COLO.<br>CI 10P 33.0                              | 4bars S-25x20mm | Sep 23 1970             |
| 2   | FORT CARSON / CO<br>CI 10P 32.5                                 | 4bars S-23x20mm | Dec 2 1971 Jun 12 1976  |
| 3   | COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / FORT CARSON BR.<br>CI 11P 29.0/18.0   | Hstp No killer  | Mar 13 1958 Apr 15 1993 |
| 3.1 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO FORT CARSON BR. / USPO<br>CI 11P 29.0/19.0 | Hstp No killer  | Mar 23 1984 May 25 1989 |
| 4   | FORT CARSON CO 80913 / USPS<br>CI 11P 30.0/19.0                 | Hstp No killer  | Apr 17 1995             |



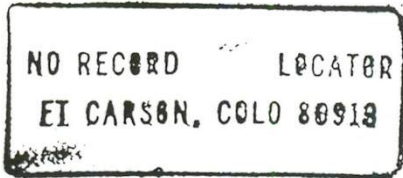
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FORT CARSON BRANCH – Continued**

**AUXILIARY MARKINGS**

A01 FT CARSON, COLO 80913  
RC 10P 52.0x23.0

Jan 10 1977

Hstp: NO RECORD \_\_\_ LOCATOR / FT CARSON,  
COLO. 80913



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**FORT CARSON UNIT 1 BRANCH**

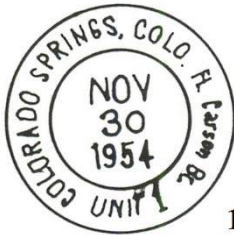
**Chronology of the Post Office**

Established as a Branch of Colorado Springs

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1 COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. Ft. Carson Br. / UNIT 1  
CI 11P 29.0/19.0 Hstp No killer

Nov 30 1954



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**FOUNTAIN VALLEY RURAL STATION /  
FOUNTAIN VALLEY SCHOOL RURAL STATION**

The Fountain Valley School was founded in 1930 as a private school, southeast of Colorado Springs and east of present-day Security. From 1957 to 1980 it had its own post office but it was a Rural Station of Colorado Springs.

Fountain Valley School of Colorado is an independent, college preparatory, coeducational, boarding and day school for grades 9-12. The school grounds are fairly extensive with several attractive brick buildings. It seems likely that the post office would have been housed in the large administration building.

The Fountain Valley School campus lies a short distance east of Grinnell Boulevard on the southeastern edge of Security, Colorado. Drive north on Main Street in Security. Turn east to Grinnell Boulevard, then south. The entrance to the school grounds is marked. The address of the school is 6155 Fountain Valley School Road.

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**Chronology of the Post Office**

May 18 1957	Established as a Rural Station of Colorado Springs
Feb 10 1966	Reclassified as a Rural Branch of Colorado Springs
Jun 28 1980	Discontinued

**COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued  
FOUNTAIN VALLEY RURAL STATION – Continued**

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

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|---|---|-------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / FOUNTAIN VALLEY RUR. STA.<br>CI 10P 34.0            | 4bars S-25x20mm   | May 18 1957 Jul 11 1957 |
| 2 | Colorado Springs, Colo. / Fountain Valley Rur. Sta.<br>CI 10P 32.0            | 4bars Not present | Oct 24 1967 Sep 24 1970 |
| 3 | Colorado Springs Colo. / Fountain Valley Rur. Sta. / USPO<br>CI 11P 29.0/19.0 | Hstp No killer    | Sep 19 1970             |
| 4 | COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. Fountain Valley School Rur. Sta.<br>CI 10P 32.0       | 4bars S-24x19mm   | Aug 18 1958 Jun 20 1961 |
| 5 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / FOUNTAIN VALLEY SCHOOL RUR. STA.<br>CI 10P 32.5        | 4bars S-23x19mm   | Oct 28 1971 May 27 1978 |



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**GARDEN OF THE GODS STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Post Office Box Unit only, no window services

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM GARDEN OF THE GODS STATION

**GENERAL MAIL FACILITY**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

1980's                      Established

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

Postal markings of the General Mail Facility are listed at the end of the main listing of Colorado Springs markings

**HIBBARD RURAL STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

- 1920                      Established as a Rural Station of Colorado Springs
- 1922                      Name changed to Drennan Rural Station of Colorado Springs

**COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued**  
**HIBBARD RURAL STATION – Continued**

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM HIBBARD RURAL STATION

**IVYWILD STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Apr 1 1964	Established as a Contract Branch of Colorado Springs Located at 1404 South Tejon Street
Jan 31 1967	Discontinued
--- -- 1986	Re-established

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. IVYWILD BR. / USPO CI 11P 30.0/19.5 Hstp 5 bars	Apr 1 1964 Apr 1 1964
2	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO IVYWILD STA / 80906 CI 10P 33.0 4bars S-24x19mm	Apr 15 1987
3	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO IVYWILD STA / USPO CI 11P 30.0/20.0 Hstp No killer	Apr 15 1988 Apr 15 1993



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**KNOB HILL STATION**

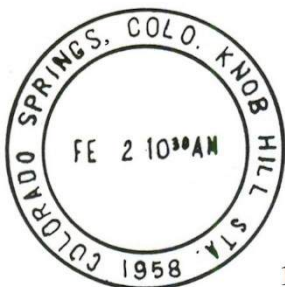
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**Chronology of the Post Office**

Aug 2 1958	Established as a Classified Station of Colorado Springs
Apr 30 1980	Discontinued

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. KNOB HILL STA. CI 11P 36.0/28.0 Hstp No killer	Feb 2 1958 Aug 25 1961
2	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / KNOB HILL BR. CI 11P 29.0/18.5 Hstp No killer	Dec 1 1958 Mar 27 1959
3	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO KNOB HILL STA. / USPO CI 11P 27.0/22.0 Hstp No killer	Feb 10 1978



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**COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued**

**M.O.S. NUMBER 1 (COLORADO SPRINGS)**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jun 20 1943	Established as a Station of Colorado Springs Located at the Main Post Office
1946	Inactive
Jan 2 1951	Re-established as a Station of Colorado Springs Located at Ent Air Force Base
Jun 20 1975	Discontinued

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

**NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM COLORADO SPRINGS M.O.S. NUMBER 1**

**M.O.S. NUMBER 2 (COLORADO SPRINGS)**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Sep 15 1943	Established as a Station of Colorado Springs Located at Peterson Field
1946	Inactive
Jun 5 1956	Re-established at Peterson Field

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

**NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM COLORADO SPRINGS M.O.S. NUMBER 2**

**MAIL BOXES ETC # 1459 STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

--- 2002?	Established as a Contract Station of Colorado Springs
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**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	CO SPG CO 80918-4005 // MAIL BOXES ETC # 1459 CPO	Oct 19 2002
	CI 11P 30.0/19.0	Hstp No killer



**MAIN OFFICE STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

-----	Established as a Station of Colorado Springs Located at the old Main Post Office Building
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**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	COLORADO SPRINGS CO, MAIN OFFICE / USPS	Sep 18 2000 Oct 3 2001
	CI 11P 30.0/19.0	Hstp No killer
2	COLORADO SPRINGS CO 80903 // MAIN OFFICE / USPS	Nov 10 2003 Nov 17 2003
	CI 11P 30.0/19.5	Hstp No killer

**COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued**  
**MAIN OFFICE STATION – Continued**



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**NORTH END STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Mar 1 1956      Established as a Classified Station of Colorado Springs  
From recorded postmarks, office must have opened prior to this date  
Located at 2940 North Prospect

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- |   |  |                            |
|---|--|----------------------------|
| 1 | COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / NORTH END STA.<br>CI 10P 30.0      Dplx Grid, 8-bar diamond with 1 | Jun 18 1955    Jun 18 1958 |
| 2 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO NORTHEND STA. / USPO<br>CI 11P 31.0/19.0      Hstp No killer            | Mar 11 1987    Apr 15 1993 |
| 3 | COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / NORTH END STA.<br>CI 11P 30.0/19.0      Hstp No killer             | Apr 21 1984    Mar 23 1987 |
| 4 | COLO. SPRINGS, CO NORTH END 80907 / USPS<br>CI 11P 30.0/19.0      Hstp No killer             | Feb 22 1995                |



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**NORTH POLE RURAL STATION**

North Pole opened in 1956 as a commercial tourist attraction. It was closely patterned after a like operation in the Adirondack Mountains of New York State.

It was the home of Santa's Workshop and was built to cater to children first and adults second. A Walt Disney artist, based on ideas of a little girl describing how she believed Santa's home and workshop would look, designed the original in New York.

The establishment has a playground, toy factory, zoo, burro rides, magic mine, a stagecoach and a tram.

There is also a post office at the park. However, when in 1991 together with friends I visited the North Pole you had to purchase admission to the park in order to get in to where the post office was located. It was possible to photograph the building from outside the gate.

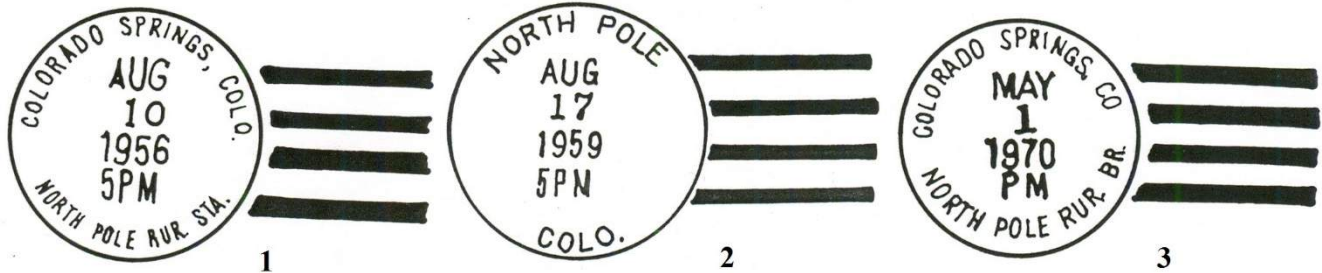
**COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued  
NORTH POLE RURAL STATION – Continued**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

- Aug 1 1956           Established as a Rural Branch of Colorado Springs, subsequent to the period covered by the Geographic Site Location Reports
  - Feb 10 1966        Reclassified as a Rural Branch of Colorado Springs Seasonal Post Office on Ute Pass
  - May 9 1975         Became a Rural Branch of Cascade
- See Cascade for listings of later Postmasters and postmarks

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- |   |  |   |  |
|---|--|---|--|
| 1 | COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / NORTH POLE RUR STA.<br>CI 10P 33.0 | 4bars S-24x20mm                               | Aug 6 1955 Dec 24 1962                   |
| 2 | NORTH POLE / COLO.<br>CI 10P 33.0                            | 4bars S-24x20mm                               | Sep 27 1957 Jun 22 1966                  |
| 3 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / NORTH POLE RUR. BR.<br>CI 10P 31.0    | 4bars S-24x19mm, with North Pole, Colo. meter | Dec 24 1969 Aug 5 1976<br>"Dec 24, 1950" |



**PARCEL POST ANNEX**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

----- No information is available on this office

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

**NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM COLORADO SPRINGS PARCEL POST ANNEX**

**PETERSON AIR FORCE BASE BRANCH**

Peterson Air Force Base has previously had postal facilities under the name of Air Base Station, Ent Air Force Base and Peterson Field. The exact relationship between these various names is not clear, as the postal records are incomplete. More study is necessary to resolve the conflicts.

Peterson Air Force Base is now home to the United States Space Command. Please refer to the listings for Air Base Station, Ent Air Force Base Station and Peterson Field Branch.

The entrance to Peterson Air Force Base is on Colorado Highway 24, east of Colorado Springs and north of the Colorado Springs Municipal Airport. As a military base, a military ID is required to go beyond the entrance gate.

The complexity of this group of names illustrates the situation that one encounters in trying to research the locations and periods of operation for post office stations and branches. It is fortuitous that we have the information we published in *Colorado Post Offices* in 1990. Jim Ozment just happened to be in the Denver Post Office one day and was asked if he was interested in a handful of file cards that recorded data on the Colorado branch and station postal facilities. The cards were about to be thrown in the trash. Naturally Jim accepted the offer. Unfortunately, examination shows that there are gaps and inconsistencies in these remaining records.

**COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued**  
**PETERSON AIR FORCE BASE BRANCH – Continued**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Aug 31 1977      Name changed from Peterson Field Contract Branch of Colorado Springs  
 -----           Converted to a Branch of Colorado Springs

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

3	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80901 / PETERSON AFB CI 10P 32.0      4bars S-25x18mm	Aug 18 1976    May 4 1981
4	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO PETERSON AFB / USPO CI 11P 29.0/19.0      Hstp No killer	Jun 9 1986    Jun 3 1991
4.1	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO PETERSON AFB / USPO CI 11P 27.5/18.0      Hstp No killer	Jan 6 1989



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**PETERSON FIELD BRANCH**

This postal facility opened in 1961. It was at the airfield east of Colorado Springs. It is possible that the name of the field had been established as Peterson Field during World War II (1943) to honor Lieutenant Edward J. Peterson, the first pilot to be killed while operating from the base.

It appears that for some period of time prior to 1961 the postal facility at the field was known as Ent Air Base Station.

In 1977 the name of the base was officially changed to Peterson Air Force Base.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Apr 16 1961      Established as a Contract Branch of Colorado Springs  
 Aug 31 1977      Name changed to Peterson Air Force Base Branch of Colorado Springs

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / PETERSON FIELD BR. CI 10P 33.0      4bars S-24x20mm	Apr 17 1961
2	COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / PETERSON FIELD BR. CI 11P 29.0/18.0      Hstp No killer	Sep 6 1969



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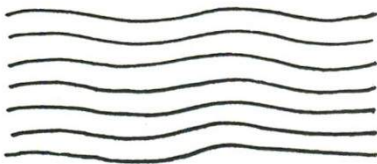


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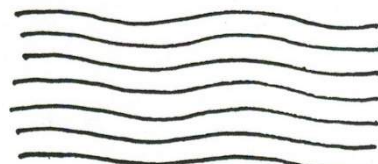
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- 804.1A U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, CO 808 Jul 9 1973 Oct 5 1973  
CI 10P 23.0 Mach Slogan in box with bars, Die 1A, HELP GOODWILL  
INDUSTRIES / HELP THE HANDICAPPED
- 804.1B U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, CO 808 Jul 13 1973  
CI 10P 23.0 Mach Slogan in box with bars, Die 1B, HELP GOODWILL  
INDUSTRIES / HELP THE HANDICAPPED
- 805.1B U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, CO 808 Oct 29 1974  
CI 10P 23.0 Mach Slogan in box with bars, Die 1B, GIVE / THE / UNITED / WAY;  
with fancy "U" in circle with UNITED
- 805.2B U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, CO 808 Nov 28 1971  
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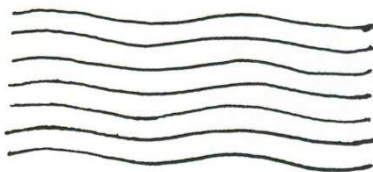
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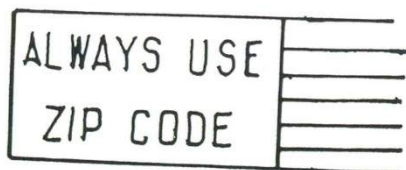
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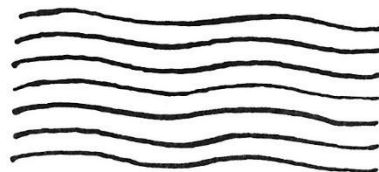
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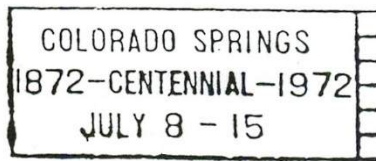
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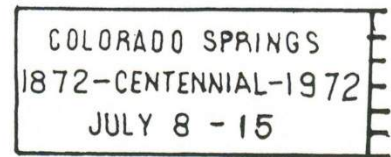
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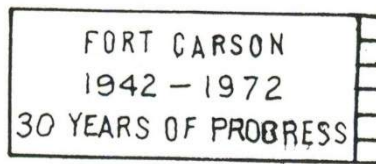
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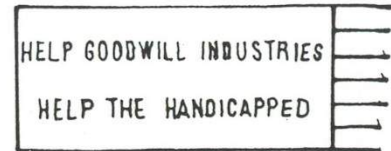
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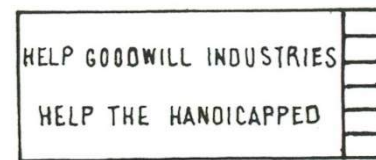
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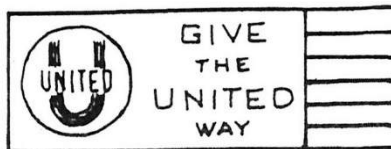
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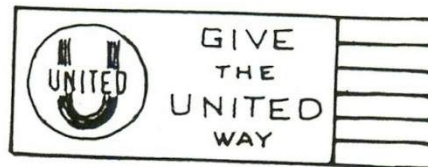
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**WEST END STATION**

The West End Station was created in 1917 to replace the Colorado City Post Office when that was closed. It is located on the northwest corner of the intersection of Cucharas Street with 25<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

- Jul 1 1917      Established as a Classified Station of Colorado Springs Formerly Colorado City Independent Post Office
- Oct 8 1926 --- SW/4 NW/4 Sec 11 Undated insert in file
- Mar 24 1948      NOTE: "Mail is received at the West End Station from the main office daily except Sundays and Saturdays as follows: 8:00 a.m.; 12:45 p.m.; 5:00 p.m. On Saturdays, mail is received at 7:45 a.m.; 8:30 a.m.; 1:30 p.m.; and 5:15 p.m. service is provided by screen wagon contractor, and no service is rendered on Sundays."

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 1      COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. :: WEST END STA.      May 21, 1918 Aug 22 1918  
         CI 10P 20.0      Mach 7 straight lines, station name in killer bars
- 2      COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / WEST END STA.      Dec 24 1918 Feb 16 1953  
         CI 10P 22.0      Mach 7 wavy lines
- 3      COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / W. END STA.      Oct 7 1929 Mar 3 1949  
         CI 10P 28.0      Dplx Grid, oval with 1 and circle

**COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued**  
**WEST END STATION – Continued**

- 4 COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / WEST END STA. Jul 5 1956  
CI 11P 28.0/18.0 Hstp No killer
- 5 COLORADO SPRINGS. CO WEST END STA. / USPO Feb 10 1978 May 29 1993  
CI 11P 30.0/19.0 Hstp No killer
- 6 COLORADO SPRINGS. CO // WEST END STA. / USPS Apr 1 1995  
CI 11P 29.0/19.0 Hstp No killer
- 7 COLORADO SPRINGS. CO // WEST END STA. / USPS Apr 14 1995  
CI 11P 30.0/19.0 Hstp No killer



**STATION A (I)**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

- Dec 1 1911 Formerly Station Number 1 of Colorado Springs  
Locations: 119 East Fontanero Street
- 1916 1528 North Tejon
- Jun 30 1917 Discontinued

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM COLORADO SPRINGS STATION A (I)



## COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued

**STATION NUMBER 2****Chronology of the Post Office**

Dec 1 1905      Established as a Station of Colorado Springs  
    Locations: 832 North Tejon Street  
    115 East Fontanero Street  
    1436 North Hancock Street  
    1737 South 8th Street [One Hour Cleaners]

Aug 31 1968      Discontinued

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1      COLORADO SPRINGS, CO STA. NO. 2 / USPO      Jan 28 1994  
    CI 11P 27.0/18.0      Hstp No killer

**STATION NUMBER 3****Chronology of the Post Office**

Dec 1 1905      Established as a Station of Colorado Springs  
    Locations: 729 West Huerfano Street  
    731 West Huerfano Street

Nov 11 1906      1504 Colorado Avenue

Dec 31 1942      Discontinued

Apr 16 1966      Re-established as a Contract Station of Colorado Springs  
    Locations: 2419 North Union Boulevard  
    818 North Cascade [American Numismatic Association]

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1      COLORADO SPRINGS, CO STA. NO. 3 / USPO      Oct 7 1991    Mar 4 1993  
    CI 11P 28.0/18.0      Hstp No killer

**STATION NUMBER 4****Chronology of the Post Office**

Jun 16 1910      Established as a Station of Colorado Springs  
    Locations: 330 North Institute Street  
    307 East Platte Avenue  
    2306 East Platte Avenue

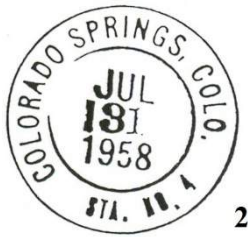
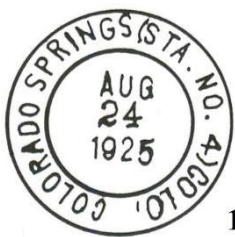
Apr 25 1952      Locations: 2314 East Platte Avenue

**COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued  
STATION NUMBER 4 – Continued**

Jul 31 1958      Discontinued  
 Jul 1 1966      Re-established as a Contract Station of Colorado Springs  
                             Locations: 1829 Alpine  
   1835 North Circle Drive  
 Aug 31 1968      Discontinued

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- |   |  |                            |
|---|--|----------------------------|
| 1 | COLORADO SPRINGS, (STA. NO. 4) COLO.<br>CI 11P 29.0/18.5      Hstp No killer | Aug 24 1925                |
| 2 | COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / STA. NO. 4<br>CI 11P 30.0/19.0      Hstp No killer | Jul 31 1958    Jul 31 1958 |



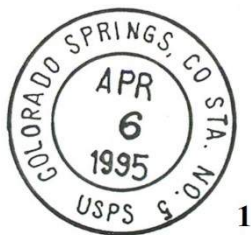
**STATION NUMBER 5**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

May 1 1911      Established as a Station of Colorado Springs  
                             Location: 432 West Bijou Street  
 May 18 1942      Discontinued  
 Nov 1 1949      Re-established  
                             Location: 210 Fillmore Street  
 Nov 1 1950      Discontinued  
 Apr 16 1961      Re-established as a Contract Station of Colorado Springs  
 Sep 30 1961      Discontinued  
 > 1987          Re-established

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- |   |  |                           |
|---|--|---------------------------|
| 1 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO STA. NO. 5 / USPS<br>CI 11P 29.0/19.0      Hstp No killer | Sep 23 1993    Apr 6 1995 |
|---|--|---------------------------|



**STATION NUMBER 6**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jul 1 1917      Established as a Station of Colorado Springs  
                             Location: 119 East Fontanero Street  
 Sep 30 1937      Closed  
 Dec 15 1938      Discontinued

**COLORADO SPRINGS – NAMED/NUMBERED STATIONS AND BRANCHES – Continued**  
**STATION NUMBER 6 – Continued**

Jan 1 1939 Re-established  
 Location: Lake Circle at Lake Avenue  
 May 24 1955 Converted to Broadmoor Branch of Colorado Springs  
 Aug 1 1963 Re-established as a Contract Station of Colorado Springs

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- |   |  |                |             |
|---|--|----------------|-------------|
| 1 | COLORADO SPRINGS, (STA. NO. 6) COLO.<br>CI 11P 30.0/19.0 | Hstp No killer | Aug 29 1943 |
| 2 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO STA. 6 / USPO<br>CI 11P 27.0/17.0   | Hstp No killer | Jan 27 1994 |

**STATION NUMBER 7****Chronology of the Post Office**

> 1987 Established as a Contract Station of Colorado Springs  
 > 1988 Discontinued

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- |   |  |                |             |
|---|--|----------------|-------------|
| 1 | COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. / STA. NO. 7<br>CI 11P 31.0/21.0 | Hstp No killer | Jan 28 1994 |
|---|--|----------------|-------------|

**STATION NUMBER 8****Chronology of the Post Office**

> 1987 Established as a Contract Station of Colorado Springs  
 Location: 6614 Delmonico Drive [Delmonico Cleaners]

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- |   |  |                |                         |
|---|--|----------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO STA. NO. 8 / USPO<br>CI 11P 27.0/18.0 | Hstp No killer | Apr 15 1988 May 23 1990 |
|---|--|----------------|-------------------------|



## COLORADO SPRINGS - SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS

Annually there are several Special Commemorative Post Office Stations that operate under the authority of the Colorado Springs Post Office. Most Special Stations operate for only one or two days and are not annual events.

The SOCOPEX (Southern Colorado Philatelic Exhibition) Station has operated annually for several years. Its last year of operation was 2002. Possibly it may return to activity in the future.

Another annual event is the station operated in conjunction with the Colorado Springs Balloon Festival. This station has operated for several years, for more than one day at a time. Its history is complicated by frequent alterations to the name of the station. I have chosen to group all of them together as Balloon Classic Station.

**NOTE:** Where feasible I have consolidated markings to save space. That procedure applies to stations that operated only a single time.

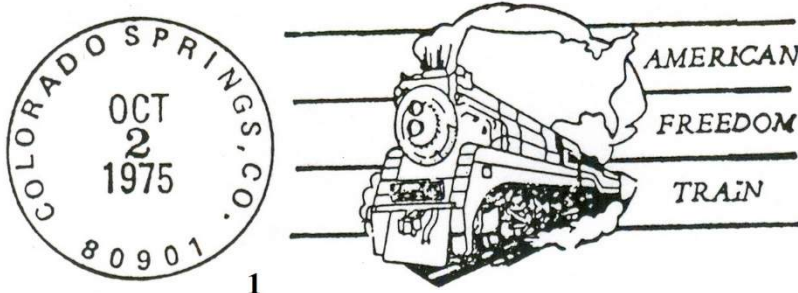
## AMERICAN FREEDOM TRAIN STATION

### Chronology of the Post Office

Oct 2 1975      Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

### Confirmed types of postal markings

1	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO. / 80901 CI 10P 34.5	Oct 2 1975   Oct 2 1975 Pict Scene - Steam engine, bars; text - AMERICAN / FREEDOM / TRAIN
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## AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

The special Commemorative Stations that are related to the American Numismatic Association are grouped here together.

## EARLY SPRING CONVENTION

### Chronology of the Post Office

Mar 12 1993      Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

### Confirmed types of postal markings

1	COLORADO SPRINGS / CO 80906 :: EARLY / SPRING / CONVENTION / STATION CI 10P 25.0	Mar 12 1993 Pict Scene - Mountains and coins; text - AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION / COLORADO/ MOUNTAINS OF GOLD / THE BROADMOOR - MARCH 11-13, 1993
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**COLORADO SPRINGS - SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued  
EARLY SPRING CONVENTION – Continued**



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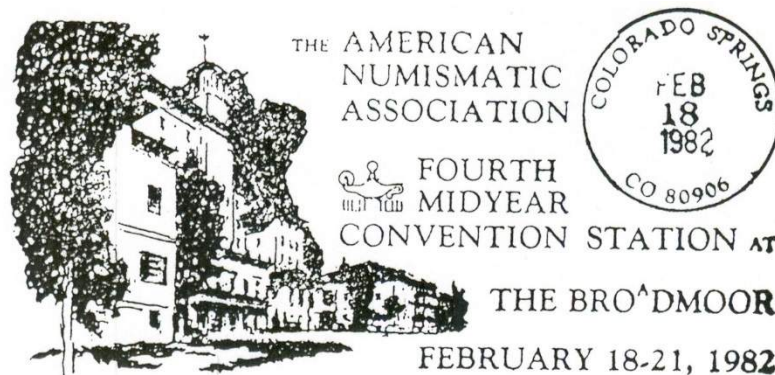
**MIDWINTER CONVENTION STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Feb 18 1982	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station 4th Midwinter convention Broadmoor Hotel
Feb 23 1984	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station 6th Midwinter convention Broadmoor Hotel
Mar 3 1989	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station 11th Midwinter convention Broadmoor Hotel

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 1 COLORADO SPRINGS / CO 80906 :: FOURTH / MIDYEAR / CONVENTION STATION  
Feb 18 1982  
CI 10P 26.0 Pict Scene - Broadmoor Hotel at left; Text - THE AMERICAN / NUMISMATIC / ASSOCIATION // AT / THE BRO^DMOOR / FEBRUARY 18-21, 1982
- 2 COLORADO SPRINGS / CO 80906 :: SIXTH MIDWINTER / CONVENTION STATION  
Feb 23 1984  
CI 10P 26.0 Pict Scene - Broadmoor Hotel at left; Text - THE AMERICAN / NUMISMATIC / ASSOCIATION // AT / THE BRO^DMOOR / FEBRUARY 23-26, 1984
- 3 COLORADO SPRINGS / CO 80906 :: 11TH MIDWINTER / CONVENTION STATION  
Mar 3 1989  
CI 10P 26.0 Pict Scene - Broadmoor Hotel at right; Text - AMERICAN NUMISMATIC / ASSOCIATION // AT / THE BRO^DMOOR / March 3-5, 1989



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COLORADO SPRINGS - SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued  
MIDWINTER CONVENTION STATION



AMERICAN TOPICAL ASSOCIATION CONVENTION STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

Jun 15-17 1962 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

Confirmed types of postal markings

- 1 COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. // AMERICAN TOPICAL ASS'N. CONV. STA. Jun 15 1962 Jun 16 1962  
CI 10P 33.0 Hstp 4 bars

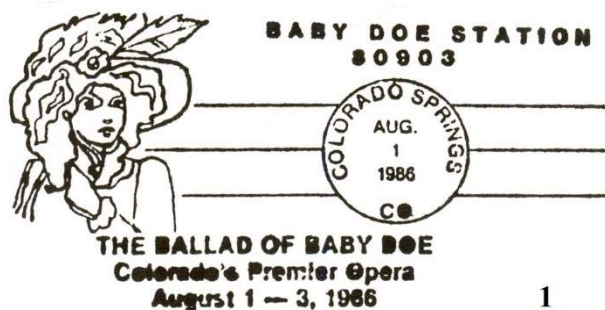
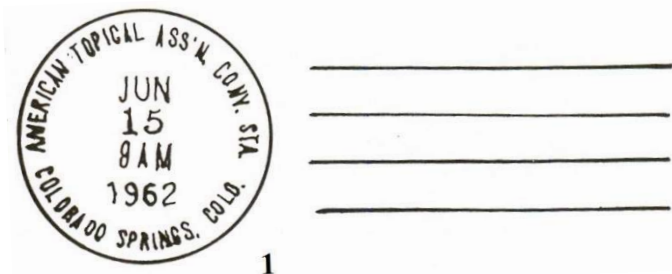
BABY DOE STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

Aug 1 1986 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

Confirmed types of postal markings

- 1 COLORADO SPRINGS / CO // BABY DOE STATION / 80903 Aug 1, 1986  
CI 10P 19.0 Pict Scene - Woman at left; Text - THE BALLAD OF BABY DOE / Colorado's Premier Opera / August 1-3, 1986



**COLORADO SPRINGS - SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued**

**BALLOON CLASSIC STATION**

Over the years the special station for this event has operated under several different names, often depending upon the sponsor. They are all grouped together in the following section.

In addition, for the multiple days of the event, three situations have occurred with the postmark:

1. A single device, single design, with interchangeable dates was used.
2. A single design was used, but there were more than one device, each with a fixed date. In this situation each date has been assigned a sub-type number, but is not separately described.
3. Multiple designs, each with a fixed date were used.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Sep 3-5 1988	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Sep 2-4 1989	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Aug 31 - Sep 2 1991	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Sep 6 1992	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Sep 5 1993	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Sep 5 1994	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**CABLEVISION BALLOON CLASSIC STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Sep 4 1995	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Aug 31 - Sep 2 1996	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**BALLOON CLASSIC STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Aug 30 - Sep 1 1997	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Sep 4-6 1999	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Sep 2-4 2000	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Sep 1-3 2001	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Aug 31 - Sep 2 2002	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**COLORADO BALLOON CLASSIC STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

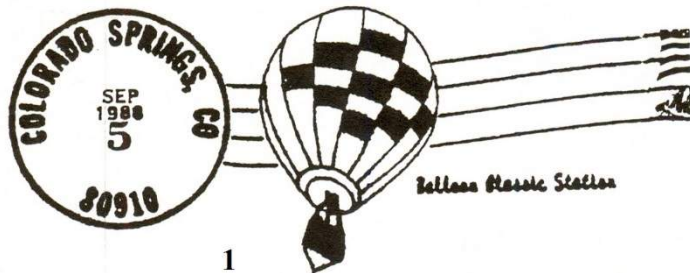
Aug 30 - Sep 1 2003	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Sep 4-6 2004	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
Sep 3-5 2005	Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

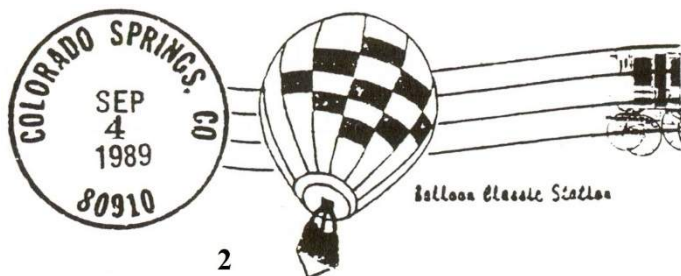
1	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80910 :: Balloon Classic Station CI 10P 29.0	Pict Scene - Balloon in flight	Sep 5 1988
2	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80910 :: Balloon Classic Station CI 10P 29.0	Pict Scene - Balloon in flight	Sep 4 1989
4	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80910 :: Balloon Classic / STATION CI 10P 29.0	Pict Scene - Balloon with flag; Text - 1991 / COLORADO SPRINGS / Balloon Classic; 4 thin bars	Aug 31 1991
5	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80910 :: BALLOON / CLASSIC / Station CI 10P 28.0	Pict Scene - Balloon, USAF Academy, banners; Text - 1992 / COLORADO SPRINGS / BALLOON / CLASSIC; 4 bars at right	Sep 6 1992
6	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80910 :: 1993 BALLOON CLASSIC CI 10P 30;	Pict Scene - Black square with negative balloons; Text - COLORADO SPRINGS at left, 1993 BALLOON CLASSIC / Station beneath	Sep 5 1993

COLORADO SPRINGS – SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued  
BALLOON CLASSIC STATION – Continued

7 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80910 :: BALLOON CLASSIC STATION Sep 5 1994  
IR 00R 110.0x36.0 Pict Scene - Hot air balloon on side, mountains; Text: 1994



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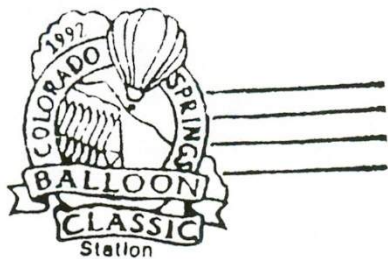
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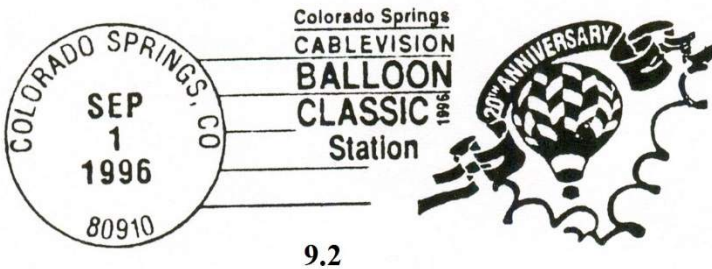
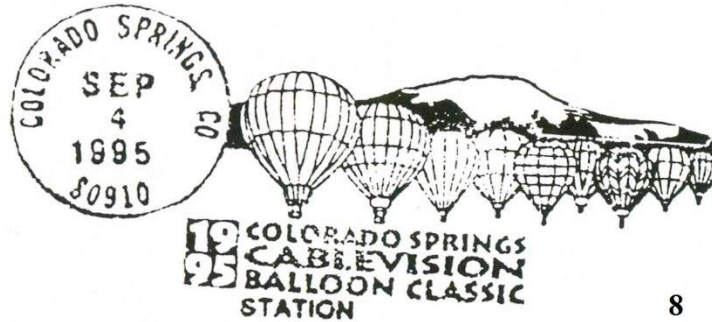


BALLOON CLASSIC STATION

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**COLORADO SPRINGS – SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued  
BALLOON CLASSIC STATION – Continued**

- 8 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80910 :: BALLOON CLASSIC / STATION Sep 4 1995  
CI 10P 29.0 Pict Scene - Row of balloons and 19/95; COLORADO SPRINGS / CABLEVISION
- 9.1 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80910 :: Colorado Springs / CABLEVISION / BALLOON / CLASSIC / Station Aug 31 1996 Sep 2 1996  
CI 10P 29.0 Pict Scene - balloon in clouds, ribbon with text: 20th Anniversary
- 9.2 Same as 9.1, date of September 1 1996
- 9.3 Same as 9.1, date of September 2 1996



**COLORADO SPRINGS – SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued**  
**BALLOON CLASSIC STATION – Continued**

- 10.1 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80910 :: STATION Aug 30 1997 Sep 1 1997  
CI 10F 27.0 Pict Scene - Hot air balloons over mountain scene; Text: COLORADO SPRINGS / BALLOON / CLASSIC 97. The cds is enclosed within a hot air balloon
- 10.2 Same as 10.1, date of August 31 1997
- 10.3 Same as 10.1, date of September 1 1997
- 12.1 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80910 :: COLORADO SPRINGS / BALLOON CLASSIC / STATION Sep 4 1999 Sep 6 1999  
CI 10P 28.0 Pict Scene - Three balloons, mountain profile, LARGE "99".
- 12.2 Same as 12.1, date of September 5 1999
- 12.3 Same as 12.1, date of September 6 1999
- 13.1 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80910 :: BALLOON / CLASSIC / STATION Sep 2 2000 Sep 4 2000  
IR 00R 76.0x30.0 Pict Scene - Symbolic mountains and balloons; Text - COLORADO SPRINGS 2000
- 13.2 Same as 13.1, date of September 3 2000
- 13.3 Same as 13.1, date of September 4 2000
- 14.1 Colorado Springs, CO 80910 :: COLORADO SPRINGS BALLOON CLASSIC / STATION Sep 1 2001 Sep 3 2001  
IR 00R 80.0X28.0 Pict Scene - Balloon, 25th Anniversary logo: Text - 1977 2001
- 14.2 Same as 14.1, date of September 2 2001
- 14.3 Same as 14.1, date of September 3 2001



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COLORADO SPRINGS – SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued  
BALLOON CLASSIC STATION – Continued



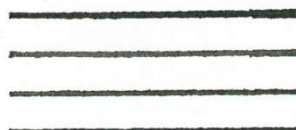
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COLORADO SPRINGS – SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued  
BALLOON CLASSIC STATION – Continued



13.1



13.2



13.3



14.1



Sept. 2, 2001  
Colorado Springs, CO 80910

14.2



Sept. 3, 2001  
Colorado Springs, CO 80910

14.3

- 15.1 Colorado Springs, Co / 80910 :: COLORADO SPRINGS / BALLOON / Classic / STATION  
Aug 31 2002  
IR 00R 83.0x26.0 Pict Scene - Balloon in flight at right
- 15.2 Colorado Springs, Co / 80910 :: COLORADO SPRINGS / BALLOON / Classic / STATION  
Sep 1 2002  
IR 00R 83.0x26.0 Pict Scene - Group of people watching balloons in flight
- 15.3 Colorado Springs, Co / 80910 :: COLORADO SPRINGS / BALLOON / Classic / STATION  
Sep 2 2002  
IR 00R 83.0x26.0 Pict Scene - Balloon in flight at right; Text - Going and Growing /  
Because We Care
- 16.1 Colorado Springs, CO / 80910 :: COLORADO / BALLOON / Classic / 2003 / STATION  
Aug 30 2003  
IR 00R 81.0x24.0 Pict Scene - Balloons in flight (arrangement of balloons varies)
- 16.2 Colorado Springs, CO / 80910 :: COLORADO / BALLOON / Classic / 2003 / STATION  
Aug 31 2003  
IR 00R 81.0x24.0 Pict Scene - Balloons in flight (arrangement of balloons varies)
- 16.3 Colorado Springs, CO / 80910 :: COLORADO / BALLOON / Classic / 2003 / STATION  
Sep 1 2003  
IR 00R 81.0x24.0 Pict Scene - Balloons in flight (arrangement of balloons varies)
- 17.1 Colorado Springs, CO 80910 ::2004 / COLORADO BALLOON CLASSIC / STATION  
Sep 4 2004 Sep 6 2004  
IR 00R 80.0x40.0 Pict Scene - Balloon, symbolic sunrise; Text - We'll Bring You Back  
Smiling
- 17.2 Same as 17.1, date of September 5 2004
- 17.3 Same as 17.1, date of September 6 2004

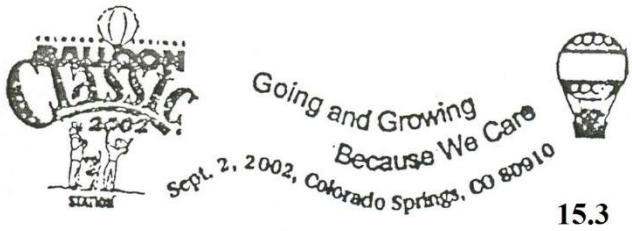
COLORADO SPRINGS – SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued  
BALLOON CLASSIC STATION – Continued



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15.3



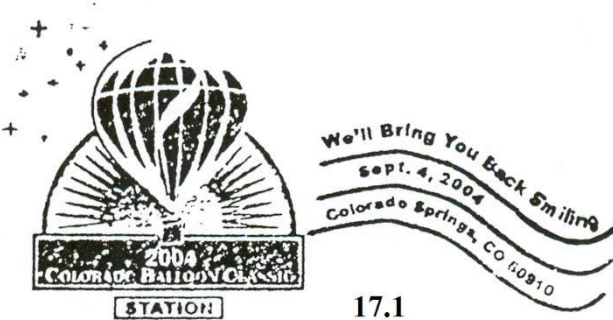
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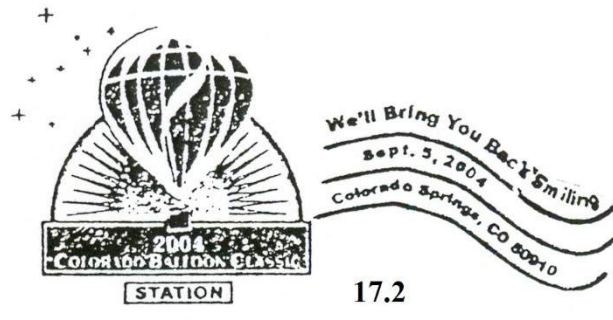
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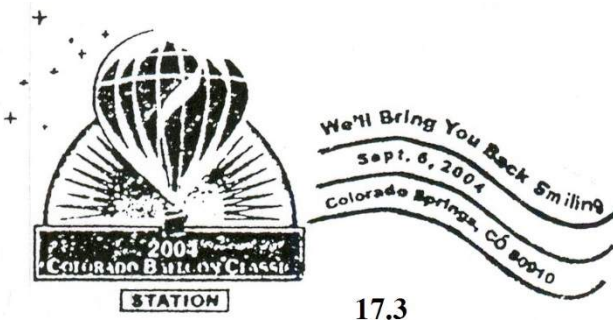
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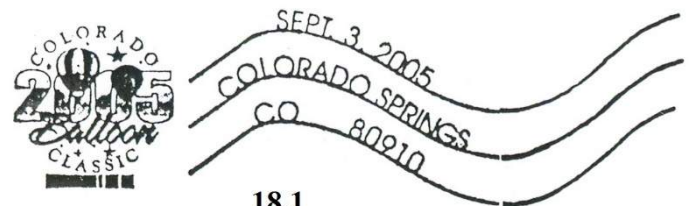
17.1



17.2



17.3



18.1

**COLORADO SPRINGS – SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued**  
**BALLOON CLASSIC STATION – Continued**



- 18.1 COLORADO SPRINGS / CO 80910 :: COLORADO / 2005 / Balloon / CLASSIC  
Sep 3 2005  
IR 00R 83.0x25.0 Pict Scene – No balloon below wavy lines
- 18.2 COLORADO SPRINGS / CO 80910 :: COLORADO / 2005 / Balloon / CLASSIC  
Sep 4 2005  
IR 00R 83.0x25.0 Pict Scene – Striped balloon below wavy lines
- 18.3 COLORADO SPRINGS / CO 80910 :: COLORADO / 2005 / Balloon / CLASSIC  
Sep 5 2005  
IR 00R 83.0x25.0 Pict Scene – Solid topped balloon below wavy lines

**CELEBRATE THE CENTURY STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jun 7 2000 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 1 Colorado Springs, CO 80903 // Celebrate the Century Station  
Jun 7 2000 Jun 7 2000  
SL 00R 99.0x2.5 Pict Text only - CENTENARIAN / -- 100 -- / The Life of a Century



June 7, 2000 - Celebrate the Century Station, Colorado Springs, CO 80903

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**DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE ROAD TRIP STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jun 2 2003 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 1 COLORADO SPRINGS CO / 80903 :: DECLARATION OF / INDEPENDENCE / Road Trip Station  
Jun 2 2003  
CI 10P 23.0 Pict Scene - Stylized flag with station name as the field of stars

**COLORADO SPRINGS – SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued  
DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE ROAD TRIP STATION – Continued**

**DENVER & LEADVILLE RPO STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jun 21 1997 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

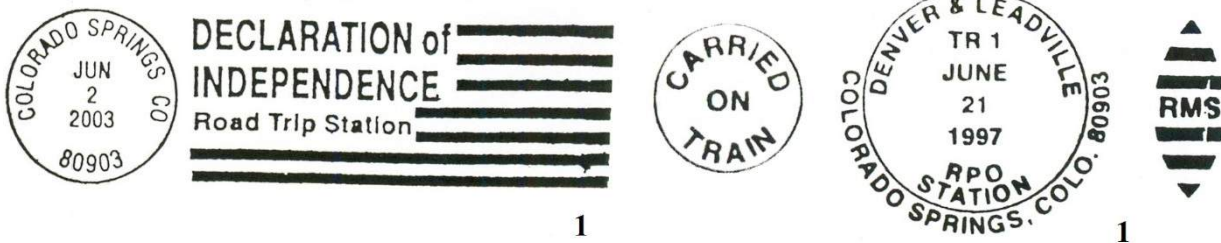
**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1 COLORADO SPRINGS CO 80903 // (DENVER & LEADVILLE / TR 1 / RPO / STATION)

Jun 21 1997 Jun 21 1997

CI 01R 35.5/29.5

Pict Scene - oval grid with RMS at right; CARRIED ON TRAIN  
in 20mm circle at left



**50TH ANNIVERSARY STATION [17th Photo Reconnaissance Squadron]**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Sep 19 1992 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

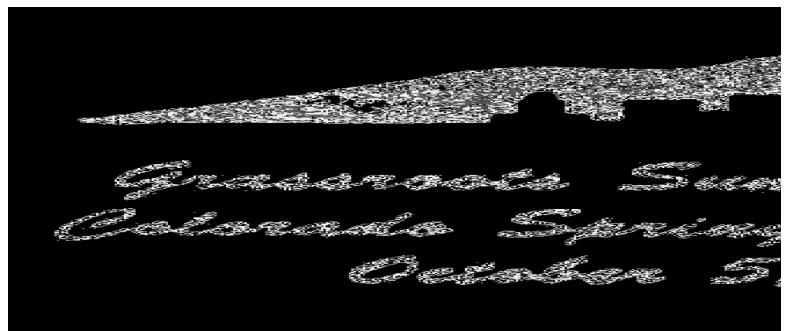
**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1 COLORADO SPRINGS CO 80910-9998 / 50TH ANNIVERSARY STATION

Sep 19 1992

IR 00R 75.0X33.0

Pict Scene - various emblems; Text - 17TH PHOTO  
RECONNAISSANCE SQUADRON



**GRASSROOTS SUMMIT STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Oct 5 1996 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1 Colorado Springs CO 80903 // Grassroots Summit Station

Oct 5 1996

IR 00R 96.0x35.0

Pict Scene - Mountain profile with city skyline, tree planting; Text -  
Japan -- America

## COLORADO SPRINGS – SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued

**HONORING THOSE WHO SERVED STATION****Chronology of the Post Office**

Aug 16 1999 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

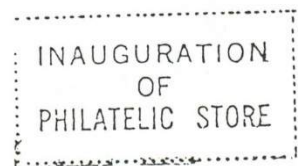
- 1 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80910 :: HONORING THOSE WHO SERVED / STATION  
Aug 16 1999  
CI 10P 35.0 Pict Scene - Symbolic waving flag and Station in 65.0x35.0 mm box

**INAUGURATION OF PHILATELIC STORE****Chronology of the Post Office**Jul 7 1972 Established as a Station of Colorado Springs  
This may have been a Special Temporary Station**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 1 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO // U.S.P.S. :: INAUGURATION / OF / PHILATELIC STORE  
Jul 7 1972 Jul 7 1972  
CI 10P 26.0 Pict Text only - INAUGURATION / OF / PHILATELIC STORE  
in dotted rectangle 35x19mm



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**KOREAN WAR VETERANS MEMORIAL STATION****Chronology of the Post Office**

Jul 30 2003 Established as a Station of Colorado Springs

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 1 Colorado Springs, CO / 80903 // Korean War Veterans Memorial Station Jul 30 2003 Jul 30 2003  
IR 00R 105.0x30.0 Pict Scene - Waving flags, soldiers in profile;  
On special commemorative envelope



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**COLORADO SPRINGS – SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued**

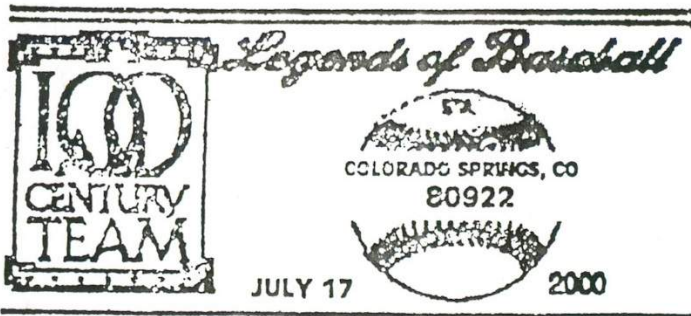
**LEGENDS OF BASEBALL STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

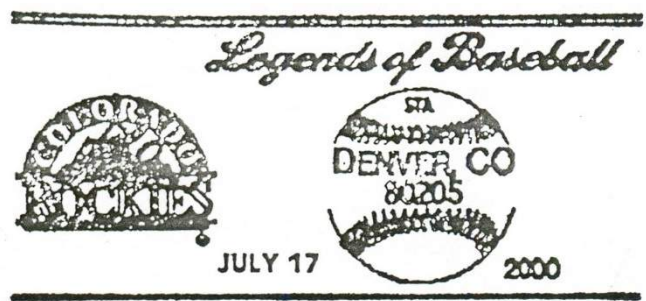
Jul 17 2000 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- |   |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| 1 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80922 // Legends of Baseball / STA. | Jul 17 2000   |
|   | IR 00R 92.0x40.0   | Pict Scene - All Century Team Logo at left, baseball  |
| 2 | DENVER, CO / 80205 // Legends of Baseball / STA.           | Jul 17 2000   |
|   | IR 00R 82.0x37.0   | Pict Scene - Colorado Rockies Logo at left, baseball (Used at Colorado Springs, but only Denver is named in the postmark) |



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**LIMON & FALCON R.P.O. STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

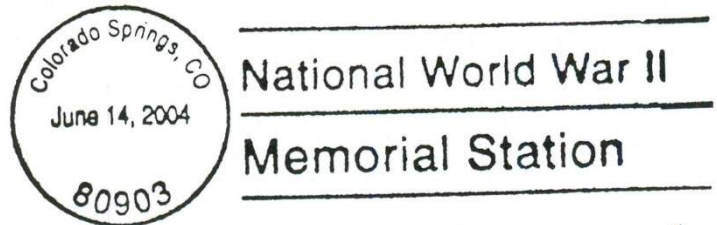
May 2 1987 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- |   |   |  |
|---|---|--|
| 1 | Colorado Springs, CO 80001 // Limon & Falcon R.P.O. Station | May 2 1987   |
|   | CI 10P 28.5   | Pict Scene - Rock Island emblem, Limon & Falcon RPO cancel;<br>Text - 77 Years |



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**NATIONAL WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jun 14 2004 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- |   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| 1 | Colorado Springs, CO 80903 :: National World War II / Memorial Station | Jun 14 2004  |
|   | CI 10P 29.0  | Pict Text only - National World War II / Memorial Station (within three thin bars) |

COLORADO SPRINGS – SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued

**100TH ANNIVERSARY STATION [Widefield VFW Post 8149]**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Sep 9 1999 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 1 Colorado Springs CO 80911-2640 // 100th Anniversary Station Sep 9 1999  
IR 00R 49.0x49.0 Pict Scene - VFW Anniversary logo; Text - Widefield VFW Post No 8149 / WE'D DO ANYTHING FOR THIS COUNTRY

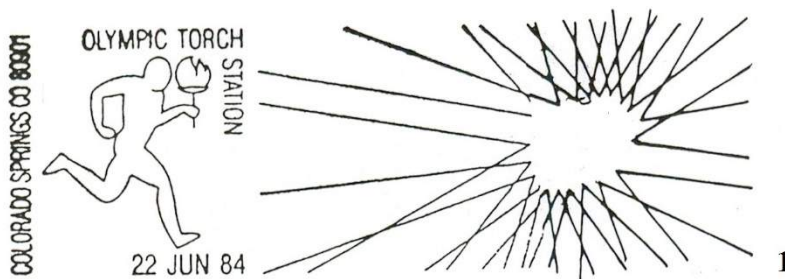
**OLYMPIC TORCH STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jun 22 1984 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 1 COLORADO SPRINGS CO 80901 / OLYMPIC TORCH / STATION Jun 22 1984  
RC 00R 31.0x31.0 Pict Scene - Runner with torch in center, 'laser' burst at right



**AIR FORCE 50TH ANNIVERSARY STATION (Peterson AFB)**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Sep 18 1977 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 1 PETERSON AFB, COLORADO 80914 // AIR FORCE 50TH ANNIVERSARY STATION Sep 18 1997  
IR 00R 47.0x45.0 Pict Scene - Head of eagle, rocket and satellite; No text (CDS data forms partial circle around scene).



**COLORADO SPRINGS – SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued**

**PIONEERS MUSEUM STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

May 15 1992      Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 1      COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80903 / PIONEERS MUSEUM STATION      May 15 1992  
         CI 10P 23.0      Pict Scene - Monoplane in box with text - THIRD  
              ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM / C.A.L./ N-X-211  
              COLLECTORS SOCIETY



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**PURPLE HEART STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

May 30 2003      Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 1      Colorado Springs, 80903 // Purple Heart Station      May 30 2003  
         IR 00R 81.0x42.0      Pict Scene - Ornaments and stars; text - The United States Postal  
              Service / honors the sacrifices of the men / and women who defend  
              our nation.



**SOCOPEX STATION [Southern Colorado Philatelic Exhibition]**

Over the years the special station for this event has operated under somewhat differing names, They are all grouped together in the following section.

In addition, for the multiple days of the event, two situations have occurred with the postmark:

1. A single device, single design, with interchangeable dates was used.
2. A single design was used, but there was more than one device, each with a fixed date. In this situation each date has been assigned a sub-type number, but is not separately described.

## COLORADO SPRINGS – SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued

## SOCOPEX STATION

## Chronology of the Post Office

- Oct 10-11 1970 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station  
Location: Rustic Hills Shopping Center (1970-1983)
- Oct 16-17 1971 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Oct 14-15 1972 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Oct 13-14 1973 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Nov 9-10 1974 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Nov 8- 9 1975 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Nov 6- 7 1976 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Oct 22-23 1977 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Nov 4- 5 1978 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Oct 20-21 1979 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Nov 8- 9 1980 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Nov 7- 8 1981 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Nov 6- 7 1982 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Nov 4- 5 1983 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Nov 3- 4 1984 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station  
Location: Pioneer Plaza; 1179 North circle Drive
- Nov 9-10 1985 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station  
Location: Outlet Center; 1179 North Circle Drive
- Nov 8- 9 1986 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station  
Location: Rustic Hills Mall; Academy Boulevard and Palmer Park
- Oct 31-Nov 1 1987 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Nov 5- 6 1988 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Oct 7- 8 1989 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Oct 20-21 1990 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Oct 19-20 1991 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Oct 3- 4 1992 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Oct 16-17 1993 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Oct 15-16 1994 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Oct 5-16 1996 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Oct 7- 8 1998 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Oct 16-17 1999 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Oct 21-22 2000 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Oct 20-21 2001 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Oct 19-20 2002 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

## Confirmed types of postal markings

- |   |   |  |             |             |
|---|---|--|-------------|-------------|
| 1 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO // SOCOPEX STA.<br>CI 10P 33.0             | Hstp 4 thin bars   | Oct 10 1970 | Oct 11 1970 |
| 2 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO // SOCOPEX '71.<br>CI 10P 33.0             | Hstp 4 thin bars   | Oct 16 1971 | Oct 17 1971 |
| 3 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO // SOCOPEX STATION // 80909<br>CI 10P 32.5 | Pict Scene - Balanced Rock; text - BALANCED ROCK /<br>GARDEN OF THE GODS         | Oct 14 1972 | Oct 15 1972 |
| 4 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80909 // SOCOPEX STATION<br>CI 10P 35.0    | Pict Scene - Summit of Pikes Peak; text - PIKES PEAK OR BUST                     | Oct 13 1973 | Oct 14 1973 |
| 5 | COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80909 // SOCOPEX STATION<br>CI 10P 35.0    | Pict Scene - Seal of Colorado College; Text - COLORADO COLLEGE<br>/ FOUNDED 1874 | Nov 9 1974  | Nov 10 1974 |

**COLORADO SPRINGS – SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued  
SOCOPEX STATION [Southern Colorado Philatelic Exhibition] – Continued**

6	COLO SPRINGS, CO 80909 // SOCOPEX STATION CI 10P 27.0	Nov 8 1975 Nov 9 1975 Pict Scene - Covered wagon with ox team Text - COLORADO / CENTENNIAL / 1 AUG 1859 - 1 AUG 1959
8	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80907 // SOCOPEX '77 STATION CI 10P 24.0	Oct 22 1977 Oct 23 1977 Pict Scene - Locomotive to left of CDS
9	COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80907 // SOCOPEX '78 STATION CI 10P 39.0	Nov 4 1978 Nov 5 1978 Pict Scene - Trapper Mountain Man with rifle
10	COLO. SPRGS., CO 80907 // SOCOPEX '79 STATION CI 10P 26.5	Oct 20 1979 Oct 20 1979 Pict Scene - Mountains; Text - PIKES PEAK
11	COLO. SPRGS., CO 80917 // SOCOPEX '80 STATION CI 10P 31.0	Nov 8 1980 Nov 9 1980 Pict Scene - crossed miners shovel and pick
12	COLO. SPGS., CO 80907 // SOCOPEX '81 STATION CI 10P 25.0	Nov 7 1981 Pict Scene - Space Shuttle



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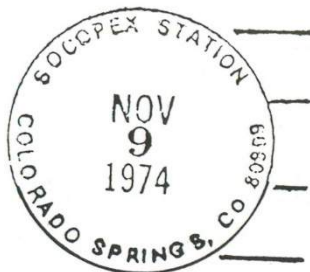
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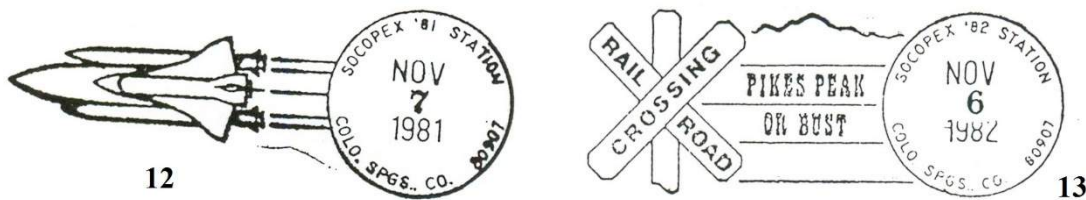
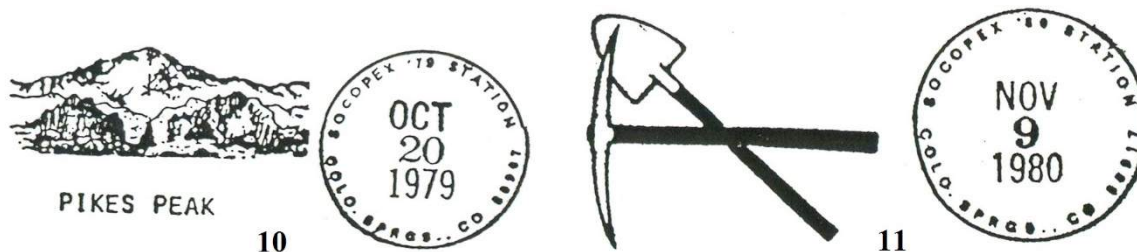
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COLORADO SPRINGS – SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued  
SOCOPEX STATION [Southern Colorado Philatelic Exhibition] – Continued



- 13 COLO. SPGS., CO 80907 // SOCOPEX '82 STATION Nov 6 1982 Nov 7 1982  
CI 10P 24.0 Pict Scene - Railroad Crossing sign, mountain outline; bars -  
Text RAIL ROAD / CROSSING :: PIKES PEAK / OR BUST
- 14 COLO. SPGS., CO 80907 // SOCOPEX '83 STATION Nov 4 1983 Nov 6 1983  
CI 10P 23.0 Pict Scene - Torch, bars, large "V" (for 5); Text - NATIONAL /  
SPORTS / FESTIVAL
- 15 COLO. SPGS., CO 80909 // SOCOPEX '84 STATION Nov 3 1984 Nov 4 1984  
CI 10P 26.5 Pict Text only - U.S. OLYMPIC / TRAINING CENTER / U.S.  
OLYMPIC / COMMITTEE
- 16 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80909 // SOCOPEX '85 STATION Nov 9 1985 Nov 10 1985  
OV 10P 37.0x27.0 Pict Text only - PONY EXPRESS (at top of oval), PONY EXPRESS /  
1860-1985 (in bars at right)
- 17 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80909 // SOCOPEX '86 STATION Nov 8 1986 Nov 9 1986  
OV 10P 37.0x27.0 Pict Text only - D.& R.G.R.R. (at top of cds), THE / SPIRIT OF /  
PALMER / 1836-1986 (in bars at right)
- 18 COLO. SPGS., CO. 80909 // SOCOPEX '87 STATION Oct 31 1987  
CI 10P 24.0 Pict Text only - 1887-1987 in bars at left, COLORADO MIDLAND /  
RAILWAY. as outer portion of the cds
- 19 COLO. SPGS., CO. 80909 // SOCOPEX '88 STATION Nov 5 1988 Nov 6 1988  
CI 10P 24.5 Pict Text only in bars - BENT'S OLD FORT / National / Historic Site /  
La Junta, CO

**COLORADO SPRINGS – SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued  
SOCOPEX STATION [Southern Colorado Philatelic Exhibition] – Continued**

20 COLORADO / SPRINGS / CO / 80909 / SOCOPEX / STATION Oct 7 1989 Oct 8 1989  
IR 00R 90.0x25.0 Pict Scene - Dinosaur eggs and tracks; T,S, etc superimposed on the eggs



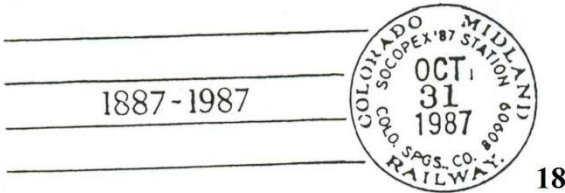
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- 21.1 COLORADO SPRINGS / SOCOPEX STATION / CO 80909 Oct 20 1990 Oct 21 1990
- 21.2 IR 00R 82.0x25.0 Pict Scene - Spiral of stars includes CDS, Text - HUBBLE SPACE TELESCOPE EYE IN THE SKY
- 22.1 COLORADO SPRINGS / CO / 80809 :: SOCOPEX STATION Oct 19 1991 Oct 20 1991
- 22.2 IR 00r 76.0x22.0 Pict Scene - Three circular emblems; Text - ANA / CENTENNIAL
- 23.1 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80209 // SOCOPEX STATION Oct 3 1992 Oct 4 1992
- 23.2 OV 10P 20.0x18.0 Pict Scene - Columbus ship under sail
- 24.1 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80909 :: SOCOPEX STATION Oct 16 1993 Oct 17 1993
- 24.2 SL 00R 51.0x20.0 Pict Scene - American flag; script text - Thy Liberty In Law, without cachet

COLORADO SPRINGS – SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued

SOCOPEX STATION [Southern Colorado Philatelic Exhibition] – Continued

- 25.1 Colorado Springs, CO 80909 // SOCOPEX STATION Oct 15 1994 Oct 16 1994
- 25.2 SL 00R 92.0x35.0 Pict Scene - Camp Carson, Colo. duplex postmark (reproduction)
- 27.1 COLO. SPGS., CO 80920 // SOCOPEX 96 STATION Oct 5 1996 Oct 6 1996
- 27.2 CI 10F 27.0 Pict Scene - CDS is a "Dream catcher"; spear and 2 thin bars at right; Text - NATIVE / AMERICANS
- 28.1 COLORADO SPRINGS CO / 80904 :: SOCOPEX / STATION Nov 7 1998 Nov 8 1998
- 28.2 CI 11H 34.0/20.0 Pict Scene - small witch on broomstick; Text - Station name at right with 4 bars and text; Nov 7-8, 1998
- 29.1 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80904 // SOCOPEX STATION Oct 16 1999 Oct 17 1999
- 29.2 IR 00R 94.0x40.0 Pict Scene - VFW Anniversary Logo; Text - HONORING 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF / VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS 100th Anniversary / We'd Do Anything For This Country
- 30.1 COLO SPGS. CO // SOCOPEX '00 STATION :: 80904 Oct 21 2000 Oct 22 2000
- 30.2 IR 00R 60.0X30.0 Pict Scene - Planet Saturn, 3 thin bars at right; Text - HUBBLE / TELESCOPE /1990-2000
- 31.1 Colo Sprgs CO 80907 // SOCOPEX '01 Station Oct 20 2001 Oct 21 2001
- 31.2 CI 10P 35.0 Pict Scene - Woman in chair, within cds; Text - Amish / Quilts
- 32.1 Colo Sprgs CO 80907 // SOCOPEX '02 STATION Oct 19 2002 Oct 20 2002
- 32.2 OV 00R 46.0X32.0 Pict Scene - Eagle flight; Text, in 3 thin bars at right: AMERICAN / BIRDS



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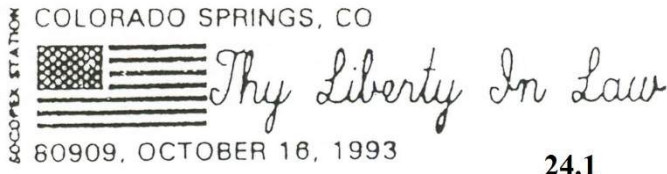


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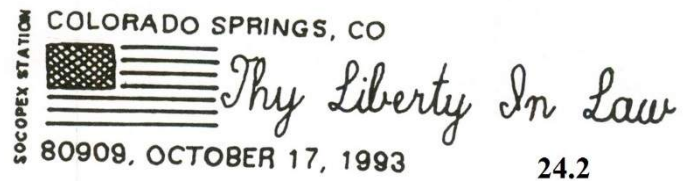


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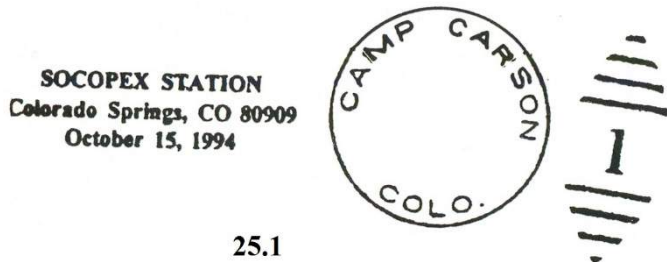
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SOCOPEX STATION [Southern Colorado Philatelic Exhibition] – Continued



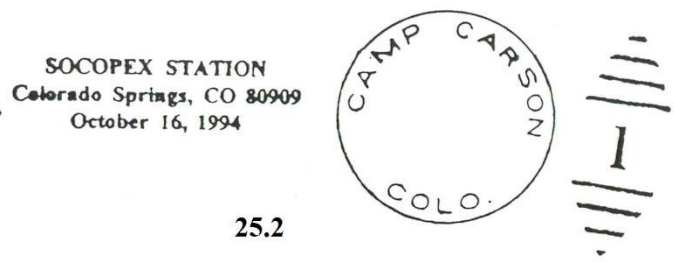
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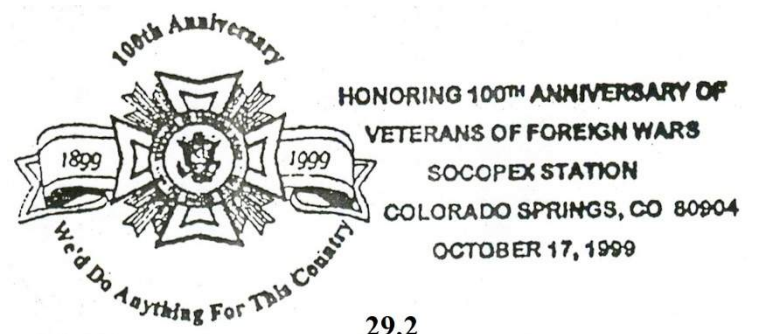
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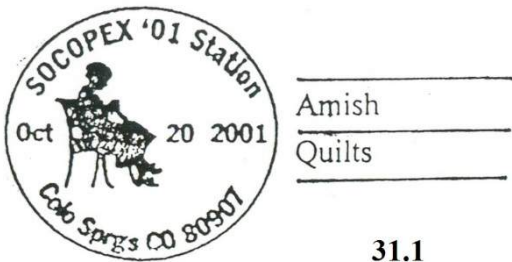


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SOCOPEX STATION [Southern Colorado Philatelic Exhibition] – Continued

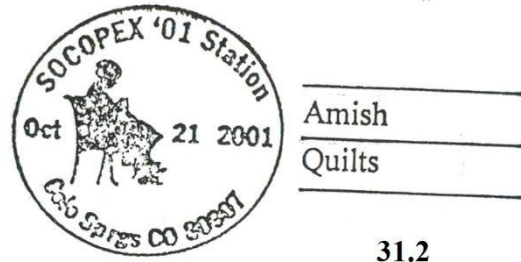


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Amish  
Quilts

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Amish  
Quilts

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BIRDS

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AMERICAN  
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THE BLACKSHEAR GALLERY STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

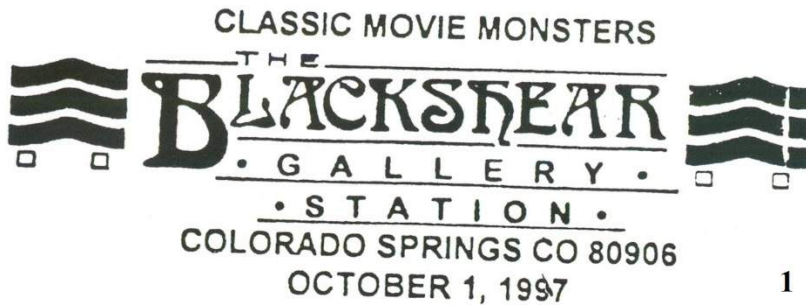
Oct 1 1997 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

Confirmed types of postal markings

1 COLORADO SPRINGS CO 80906 // THE / BLACKSHEAR / GALLERY / STATION  
Oct 1 1997

SL 00R 105.0x38.0

Pict Scene - wavy lines at each side; Text at top - CLASSIC MOVIE MONSTERS (Mr. Blackshear was one of the designers of the stamps)



**COLORADO SPRINGS – SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued**

**THINKING DAY STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

- Feb 20 1999      Operated as a Special Commemorative Station
- Feb 19 2000      Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 1      Colorado Springs / CO 80906 :: Thinking Day Station      Feb 20 1999  
IR 00R 75.0x46.0      Pict Scene - Globe and Girl Scout emblem; Text - Wagon Wheel /  
Council GSUSA
- 2      Colorado Springs / CO 80906 :: Thinking Day Station      Feb 19 2000  
IR 00R 72.0x48.0      Pict Scene - Globe and Girl Scout emblem; Text - Wagon Wheel /  
Council GSUSA



**U.S.A.F.A. MEMORIAL WALL STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

- Jun 19 1987      Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 1      COLORADO SPRINGS, CO. 80840 // USAFA MEMORIAL WALL STATION      Jun 19 1987  
SL 00R 49.0x13.0      Pict Scene - Air Force emblems, P-38 fighter; Text - PLAQUE  
DEDICATION; 17TH PHOTO RECONNAISSANCE  
SQUADRON



COLORADO SPRINGS – SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE STATIONS – Continued

**WAL\*MART 80905 STATION [ZIP 80905]**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Apr 17 1999 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 1 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80905 :: WAL\*MART / STATION Apr 17 1999  
CI 10P 23.0 Pict Scene - Sylvester, Tweety, Daffy Duck, Bugs Bunny



**WAL\*MART 80909 STATION [ZIP 80909]**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Apr 17 1999 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 1 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80909 :: WAL\*MART / STATION Apr 17 1999  
CI 10P 23.0 Pict Scene - Sylvester, Tweety, Daffy Duck, Bugs Bunny



**WAL\*MART 80920 STATION [ZIP 80920]**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Apr 17 1999 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 1 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO / 80920 :: WAL\*MART / STATION Apr 17 1999  
CI 10P 23.0 Pict Scene - Sylvester, Tweety, Daffy Duck, Bugs Bunny





**CRAGMOR – Continued**

Jan 23 1934	Averill, Julio C.	Nominated
Feb 1 1934	Averill, Julio C.	Confirmed
Feb 26 1934	Averill, Julio C.	Commissioned
Aug 2 1934	Averill, Julio C.	Confirmed
Sep 13 1934	Averill, Julio C.	Commissioned
Nov 22 1936 ---	NW/4 Sec 29 T13S R66W 1-1/2 miles east of Monument Creek 1 mile east of A.T.& S.F. Railroad Applicant for postmaster - George H. Jelton (?) A map at this point shows CRAGMORE in the NW/4 SE/4 Sec 30 TR???	
Dec 31 1935	NOTE: Apparently there was an attempt to reestablish the Cragmor Post Office Discontinued Mail to Colorado Springs	

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- |   |                                |                 |  |
|---|--------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| 1 | CRAGMOR / COLO.<br>CI 10P 31.0 | 4bars S-24x19mm | Nov 20 1927 Aug 15 1930                    |
| 2 | CRAGMOR, COLO.<br>CI 10P 30.0  | 4bars P-24x19mm | Jan 27 1934 Aug 29 1934 or 1935 as traced? |



**CROWS ROOST**

Crows Roost was another in the group of rural post offices in the area south of Colorado Highway 94 and southwest of Yoder. The other post offices in the area were Drennan/Hibbard, Gleneath, Squirrel Creek and Hanover, somewhat further to the south. This description is confirmed by a statement on the Post Office Department Geographic Site Location Report.

There are multiple ways to reach this site. Coming from the north, I would choose Peyton Highway south from Colorado 94, six miles to Drennan Road then east four miles to Ellicott Highway. The site of Crows Roost plots in the northwest corner of this intersection. There is nothing at that location and no sign of anything having been there. A short distance south of the intersection, on the west side of Ellicott Highway there is an old abandoned building and some trees and that is all there is to be seen in the immediate vicinity of the claimed location.

From this site, you could continue south to Squirrel Creek Road, turn east to observe the Squirrel Creek site, then back west towards the Gleneath site. If you should set out on an excursion to visit the Post Office Sites in this portion of El Paso County, I suggest obtaining a copy of the USGS El Paso County Topographic Map (Sheet four). Plot the locations and then plan a travel route. There are many roads in the area and with careful planning you should be able to construct an efficient route to the sites. Beware that as development is spreading east into this portion of El Paso County, there may be new roads and some old ones may have been closed off.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

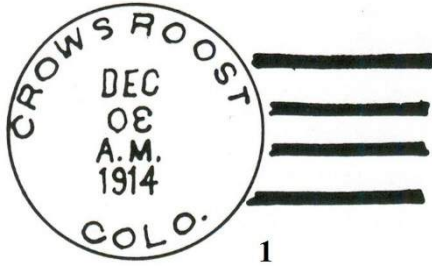
Nov 4 1913	Established Ranch post office
Nov 4 1913	Finney, Ruth R.
Jul 31 1916	Discontinued Mail to Colorado Springs

**CROWS ROOST – Continued**

May 19 1918 --- SE/4 Sec 12 T15S R63W One mile west of Squirrel Creek  
Sketch map places it in the SW/4 SE/4 of section 12  
Applicant for postmaster - Mrs. Ruth R. Finney  
NOTE: Apparently there was an attempt to reestablish the Crows Nest Post Office

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1 CROWS ROOST / COLO. Dec 30 1914  
CI 10P 33.0 4bars S-24x20mm



**CURTIS**

The initial history of Curtis is related to the Curtis Coal Mine which was in the area north of Colorado Springs and south of the Austin Bluffs. W. W. Curtis, a Colorado Springs financier, opened the mine in August of 1899. The community and the post office took their names from Mr. Curtis and the Curtis Mine.

Ray Shaffer, in *A Guide to Places on the Colorado Prairie* reports the following: “Papetown (platted town) was established when the Curtis Coal Mine which was one-half mile from the site of Papetown had labor disputes. The white strikers at the Curtis Mine became enraged at the use of black strike breakers and moved from the mine to the site of Papetown. Page and Kent filed a town plat for Papetown May 13, 1901. The site of Papetown was just north of Colorado Springs.” I have found nothing else about this event and I suspect that any such settlement was short-lived.

Assuming that you have just followed the directions to Cragmor, you are now close to the location of the early twentieth century post office named Curtis. At the point where Cragmor Road intersects the Austin Bluffs Parkway, there is a side street, Acacia Drive that soon becomes Hancock Avenue. That street leads to Portal Park on the north side of the Templeton Gap Floodway. The Post Office Department Geographical Site Location Report places the Curtis Post Office in the area uphill from the park and likely somewhere along Hancock Avenue.

As with the neighboring site of Cragmor, Curtis has been swallowed up by Colorado Springs and is a suburb with a few small businesses and residences of mixed age. There are two pleasant parks, Danville and Portal, within the area.

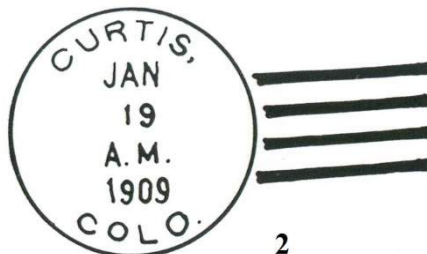
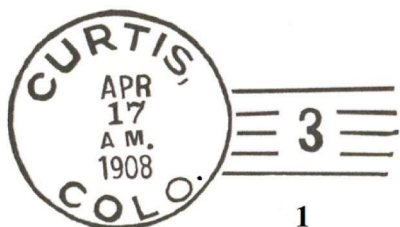
**Chronology of the Post Office**

Sep 2 1901 --- SW/4 SE/4 Sec 29 T13S R66W  
Proposed postmaster - David C. Pease  
Oct 15 1901 Established  
Oct 15 1901 Peace, David C.  
Mar 18 1905 Dawson, Arthur E.  
Oct 2 1913 Dawson, Arthur E.  
Mar 2 1914 --- SW/4 SE/4 Sec 29 T13S R66W  
Mar 15 1915 Discontinued Mail to Colorado Springs

**CURTIS – Continued**

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

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|---|--------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | CURTIS, / COLO.<br>CI 10P 30.0 | Doane Type 1, with 3 ??x12mm | Jul 17 1907 Apr 17 1908 |
| 2 | CURTIS, / COLO.<br>CI 10P 32.0 | 4bars S-??x14mm              | Nov 7 1908 Apr 2 1913   |



**DRAGOO**

Even with extensive reading of historical literature related to Colorado I have not found any reference to a place with this name in Colorado. Only the Post Office Department records make a case for the short existence of a post office named Dragoo.

The first and only postmaster at Dragoo was John L. Dragoo; therefore, I assume the post office took his name.

According to the Post Office Department Geographic Site Location Reports the site of Dragoo was two miles west of Edison Road, on Neely Road, in the southeast corner of El Paso County. Edison road starts at Colorado Highway 94, three miles west of Rush and 4 miles east of Yoder. Neely Road is fifteen miles south from Colorado 94 and seven miles north of the El Paso-Pueblo County line.

Going west two miles on Neely Road from Edison Road I found nothing visible at the specified location. I began to suspect that the claimed location might be in error. However, a short distance east of the claimed site I did observe the remnants of a very old corral, a concrete foundation and other debris. Perhaps that was the location of Dragoo.

If indeed the claimed location is in error, there is another possibility. At the intersection of Neely and Edison Roads there is a community known as Edison. At that location there are a couple of buildings on the east side of the road and a fairly new, modest sized elementary school on the west side of Edison Road. Perhaps the Dragoo Post Office was here. In 1912 there was an Edison Post Office in Kern County California and therefore the Post Office Department would have rejected Edison as a name for a post office in Colorado.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

- Jan 18 1915 --- NE/4 Sec 34 T16S R61W
- Applicant for postmaster - John L. Dragoo
- Apr 19 1915 Established
- Apr 19 1915 Dragoo, John L.
- Aug 15 1916 Discontinued Mail to Yoder

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

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|---|--------------------------------|-----------------|------------|
| 1 | DRAGOO, / COLO.<br>CI 10P 32.0 | 4bars S-24x19mm | Aug 9 1915 |
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**DRAGOO – Continued**



**DRENNAN**

Drennan is another of the many post offices in El Paso County that are described as, “rural post offices.” This one is different from most of the others. It was not an independent post office; rather it was a Rural Branch of Colorado Springs. Also, it lasted far longer, nearly thirty years, than did the other remote offices.

The Post Office Department Records raise some question as to the origin of the Drennan Post Office. The earliest Geographic Site Location Report was filed under the name of Hibbard. That name was crossed out and Drennan was written in. The next Site Location Report is dated February 8, 1922 and was specifically for Drennan. From then on it seems definite that the office was in operation as a Rural Station of Colorado Springs until it was closed in 1951.

I think there is a good chance that the office did not open as Hibbard and possibly it opened as Drennan prior to 1922.

To reach the locations of Drennan and Hibbard, start on Colorado Highway 94 and drive south on Peyton Highway six miles to Drennan Road. The 1922 location for Drennan was in the northeast quarter section at the intersection. The 1920 location for Hibbard was about one and a half miles east of Peyton Highway on the north side of Drennan Road.

At the 1920 location I found no visible evidence of habitation, which could support the thought that Hibbard never operated.

At the 1922 location there is a relatively modern building and some other older buildings in the general area.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

- Aug 10 1920 --- SE/4 SW/4 Sec 10 T15S R63W
- Feb 8 1922 --- SW/4 Sec 9 T15S R63W Reed corner is 1-1/2 miles west of office
- --1922 Name changed from Hibbard Rural Station of Colorado Springs
- Oct 5 1951 Discontinued

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

**POSTAL MARKINGS FROM DRENNAN ARE DESCRIBED AND ILLUSTRATED WITH THE ENTRY FOR DRENNAN RURAL STATION FOLLOWING COLORADO SPRINGS**

**EASTON**

The initial location of Easton was on Black Squirrel Creek some five miles southwest of the more familiar location on the route of the Denver and New Orleans Railroad. An early sawmill was built here and at first the settlement was known as Wier’s Mill. In 1872 a post office was established and was located in the mill. It took the name of Easton. The mill was established by Jerome Weir and one report states that his son, Austin, was the first postmaster. However, the Post Office Department records show that the first postmaster was Jerome Weir not Austin.

**EASTON – Continued**

The name supposedly honors another local pioneer, John Easton.

Initially the economy was based on timber harvested from the Black Forest area on the Monument Divide that stretches east along the El Paso-Douglas/Elbert County line. This ridge divides the drainages of the South Platte and the Arkansas Rivers.

Gradually the raising of potatoes became an important source of income for the farmers and ranchers around Easton. By 1881 the Denver and New Orleans Railroad had built south into El Paso County and the residents of Easton realized that economic growth would pass them by. They made a decision to move the town. Easton was moved north and east to a location on the railroad. The choice of the new location was a small community that the railroad called McConnellsville.

When the move, including the post office took place, McConnellsville became Easton. As sometimes happened, the move may not have been formally reported to the Post Office Department and it was not until 1887 that a Site Location Report was filed showing the new location. By that time, the post office name had been changed to Eastonville, apparently to reduce confusion with another post office in Colorado - Eaton in Weld County.



**EASTON, COLO. / J. M. Brazelton, P. M.**

**July 17, 1883**

To reach the location of Easton, a suggested starting point is in Black Forest at the intersection of Shoup Road and Templeton Road. Drive south one mile to Burgess Road, turn east four miles to Goodson Road. Turn north one-half mile then turn east on Ayer Road one mile to Meridian Road. The original location of Easton was along Meridian Road in the section where it crosses Black Squirrel Creek. The Eastonville cemetery is on the east side of Meridian Road, a little more than a half mile north of Ayer Road. In 1993 there was one log building on the east side of Meridian Road and a short distance south of Black Squirrel Creek.

To go on to the second site of Easton and that of Eastonville, continue north on Meridian Road two and a half miles to Murphey Road. Turn east two miles to Eastonville Road, then north one mile. Eastonville Road makes an odd jog first east then north. In that northern stretch, Sweet Road goes east through Eastonville to Elbert Road.

**EASTON – Continued**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Apr 19 1872 --- NE/4 Sec 13 T12S R65W On the north side of Black Squirrel Creek  
 May 6 1872 Established  
 May 6 1872 Weir, Jerome  
 Jul 2 1873 Discontinued  
 Jun 24 1874 Re-established  
 Jun 24 1874 Weir, Jerome  
 Aug 9 1875 Cornish, George J.  
 Dec 27 1878 Cook, Mrs. Josephine  
 May 24 1880 Goodrich, Jonathan  
 Jul 14 1882 Barnard, Norman L.  
 Oct 16 1882 Brazelton, John M.  
 Sep 28 1883 Name changed to Eastonville

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	Easton Colo MS	Jan 1 1881 Mscp Cork, Large positive "E"
1	EASTON, COLO. / J.M.Brazelton, P.M. CI 10P 31.0	Jul 17 1883 Sep 15 1883 Hstp Target

*Easton Colo  
1-7-1881*

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**EASTONVILLE**

In 1881 the community of Easton packed up and moved some five miles northeast to a location on the newly arrived Denver and New Orleans Railroad (Colorado and Southern). This move made good economic sense for the business of Easton as it greatly improved the transportation of their produce - timber and a rapidly expanding potato growing industry.

From 1881 to 1920 Eastonville was a flourishing community. Potatoes were the big crop with a lesser but still significant production of timber. Eastonville was also a shipping point for livestock from ranches in southern Elbert and northern El Paso Counties.

The most prosperous years were from 1900 to 1910. At that time a potato blight began to appear in the area and by 1920 the potato crop had diminished to almost nothing. In 1925 a flood swept through the town and many buildings were destroyed. A few years later the railroad ceased operations. Eastonville could not survive this series of calamities and the once flourishing town shrank to a small population in a few scattered houses. This was still the situation in 1993, but in the subsequent years the growing development along the Interstate 25 corridor from Denver to Colorado Springs has continued to spread eastward and population is returning to the area around old Eastonville.

Directions to the site of Eastonville are provided with the discussion of Easton.

Latitude = 39:03:40 North Longitude = 104:33:42 West

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Sep 28 1883 Name changed from Easton  
 Sep 28 1883 Brazelton, John M.

**EASTONVILLE – Continued**

Feb 15 1887	---	W/2 SE/4 Sec 28 T11S R64W 100 feet west of the Eastonville Station of the Denver Texas & Gulf Railroad	
Sep 30 1887		Hall, Frank B.	
Jul 3 1889		Eddy, Warren	
Apr 22 1890		Whitman, Albert B.	
Apr 21 1894		Barnett, Alva M.	
May 18 1898		Whitmore, Walter	
Feb 27 1914	---	SW/4 SE/4 Sec 28 T11S R64W 1-1/2 miles south of East Kiowa Creek	
Apr 22 1914		Meyer, Belle H.	
May 20 1914		Meyer, Leslie W.	
Apr 22 1915		Ragsdale, John H.	
Jun 10 1930		Milan, Mrs. Alice J.	
Sep 2 1930		Milan, Mrs. Alice J.	Confirmed
Apr 20 1932		Ross, Mrs. Mabel L.	Assumed charge
Apr 27 1932		Ross, Mrs. Mabel L.	Acting
May 16 1932		Ordered closed	
May 11 1932		Discontinued Mail to Peyton	

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	EASTONVILLE / COLORADO CI 11P 32.0/17.0	Feb 11 1885 Mar 20 1885 Hstp Target, 4-ring 18mm, very rough outline
2	EASTONVILLE, / COLO SL 00R ?	--- -- --- Hstp Not recorded Poor xerox, size uncertain, no date
3	EASTONVILLE / COL. CI 10P 26.5	Feb 21 1887 Apr 26 1894 Hstp Target, smudged
4	EASTONVILLE / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Jan 10 1896 Nov 4 1898 Hstp Cork, Smudge
5	<b>EASTONVILLE / COLO. CI 10P 27.0</b>	<b>Feb 3 1899 Nov 4 1900 Dplx Grid, 9 bar oval [NOT AVAILABLE FOR ILLUSTRATION]</b>
6	EASTONVILLE, COLO. / REC'D. CI 10P 28.0	Oct 17 1899 Hstp No killer
6.1	EASTONVILLE, COLO. / REC'D. CI 10P 29.0	Sep 24 1906 Hstp No killer
7	EASTONVILLE / COLO CI 10P 31.0	Apr 21 1902 Nov 22 1914 Dplx Grid, 9 bar oval
8	EASTONVILLE / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	Feb 12 1917 Dec 20 1920 4bars S-??x19mm



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EASTONVILLE, COLO.

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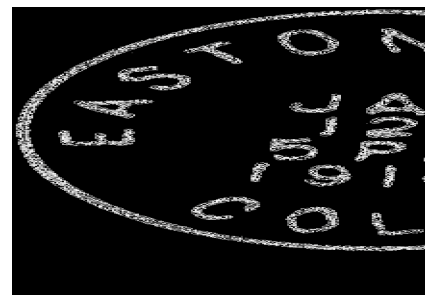
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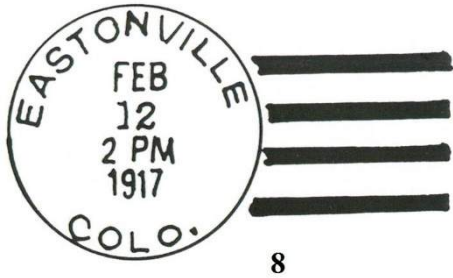
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**EASTONVILLE – Continued**



**EDGERTON**

Edgerton was primarily a railroad station and shipping point on the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad. A small community did develop but as the focus of railroad activity shifted south into Colorado Springs the town faded away. In recent years the area has been redeveloped with a number of modern, rural subdivisions. When Jim Ozment and I visited the area in the year 2000 we were unable to identify any structures that might have been present when the Edgerton Post Office was in operation. Edgerton was named for David Edgerton who homesteaded on Monument Creek.

The Edgerton Post Office was first located at Harlow Teachout's Edgerton House. The settlement was initially known as Monument, then Monument-Edgerton and finally Monument. The change in names was due to confusion in both postal and railroad affairs. By the time a post office was requested for this location there was already a Monument Post Office some ten miles to the north. At that location the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad Station was known as Henry's Station. The railroad made the name changes. Henry's Station became Monument Station and the original Monument Station took the name of Edgerton.

The first location (1870) of Edgerton was adjacent to the very southernmost tip of the United States Air Force Academy Grounds. From Interstate 25, take the Woodmen Road exit and go one-half mile north on the frontage road on the west side of I-25. The area between the Academy boundary and Monument Creek is now one of modern homes.

The second location (1895) for the Edgerton Post Office was about one mile to the northwest of the 1870 site. This too is in an area that has been redeveloped as a modern, rural subdivision. From the Geographic Site Location Report description, it is possible that the site is now within the grounds of the Air Force Academy. To get an overview of the location, return to Woodmen Road and drive west about one mile. At Westwood Road, turn north from Woodmen Road into the subdivision on the north side of the Woodmen Road and work your way north and east as far as possible on the winding roads. The Edgerton site would have been to the northeast of the subdivision. You should have a view out over Monument Creek and towards housing within the Air Force Academy. No structures of the appropriate periods were observed at either of these locations.

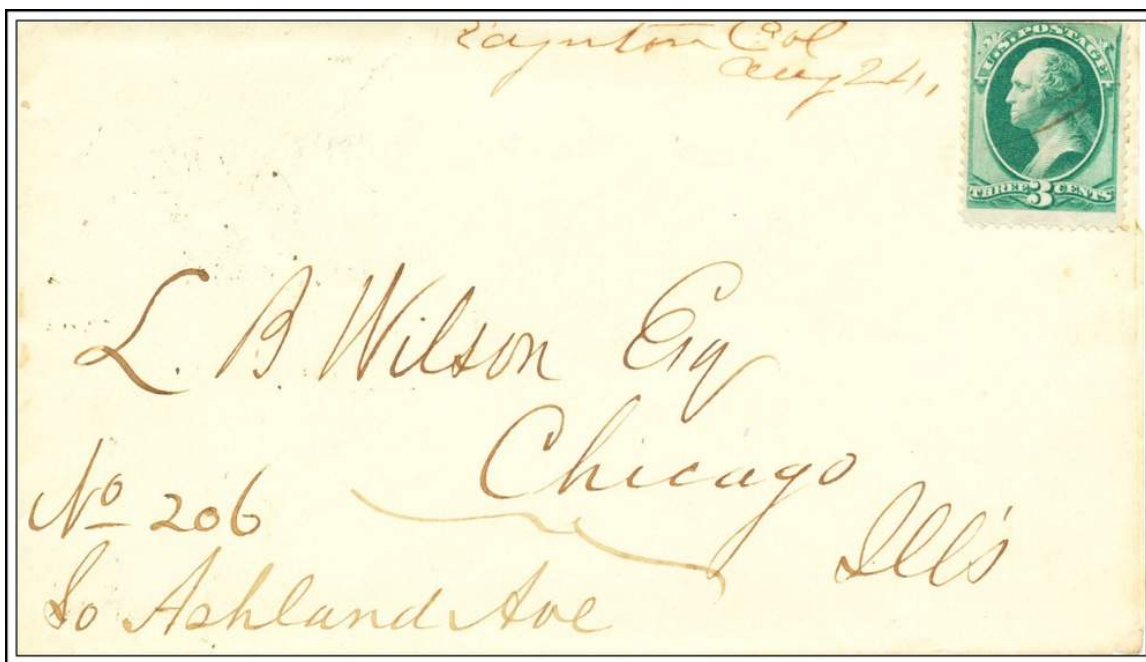
In August of 1902 the Edgerton Post Office was closed and moved to Pikeview, a mile and a half south of the original location for Edgerton. A Post Office Department Geographic Site Location Report, dated August 8, 1901 is for a post office at the site of Pikeview. However, the Pikeview Post Office did not officially open until August 28, 1902. Thus, it appears that at some time, perhaps in June 1901 when Alfred R. Towles became the postmaster for Edgerton, the Edgerton Post Office was moved to Pikeview. Mr. Towles was the first postmaster for Pikeview.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Aug 1 1870 --- SE/4 Sec 6 T13S R66W About 100 feet west of Monument Creek  
Jun 16 1870 Established

**EDGERTON – Continued**

Jun 16 1870 Teachout, Harlow M.  
 Jun 6 1889 Thompson, Charles H.  
 Nov 22 1889 Smith, William M.  
 May 21 1895 Meisenbach, William  
 Jun 7 1895 Discontinued Mail to Roswell  
 Aug 1 1895 --- NE/4 Sec 1 T13S R67W 1/2 mile east of Monument Creek 3/4 mile east of the  
 Denver & Rio Grande Railroad  
 Proposed postmaster - James W. Green  
 Sep 6 1895 Re-established  
 Sep 6 1895 Green, Agnes A.  
 Feb 6 1901 Kizer, Anna E. Declined  
 Jun 10 1901 Towles, Alfred R.  
 Aug 28 1902 Moved to Pikeview



Edgerton Col

August 24, (1872)

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1-A	Edgerton Col	MS	Mscp Pen cancel	Jan 23 1871 Dec 30 1875
1-B	Edgerton Colo	MS	Mscp Pen cancel	Apr 17 1874 Sep 6 1875
2	EDGERTON, / COLO.	CI 20P 32.0/29.0	Hstp Target, 4-ring 19mm	Feb 18 1889

*Edgerton Col  
Feb 26<sup>th</sup> 77*

1-A

*Edgerton Col. Aug 9 1873*

1-A

*Edgerton Colo*

*4/17 - 1874*

1-B

**EDGERTON – Continued**



**EL PASO**

El Paso was one of the earliest post offices and settlements along Fountain Creek north of Pueblo. It was in a somewhat sparsely populated area devoted to stock raising. El Paso was on the route of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad but did not develop as a community until the Denver and New Orleans Railroad (later named the Colorado and Southern) also built through the area. The El Paso Post Office was discontinued in 1893. In January 1895 a new post office was opened in the same quarter section but with the name Buttes.

The name El Paso is Spanish, “The Pass”, and refers to Ute Pass, which was one of the important early routes that followed up Fountain Creek to go over the Front Range and into South Park.

Please refer to the discussion of Buttes for a description of the location and directions to the site.



**EL PASO / COLO.**

**August 21, 1884**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

- Sep 27 1862 --- Not reported Immediately on the Denver to Pueblo Route via Russellville 23 miles north of the Arkansas River
- Oct 21 1862 Established
- Oct 21 1862 Cotton, Oliver M.
- Jan 19 1865 Night, Joseph P.
- Jul 5 1867 Moore, Thomas S.
- Apr 27 1868 Woodbury, James C.

**EL PASO – Continue**

Jan 28 1871 --- NE/4 Sec 4 T17S R65W On the east side of Fountain Qui Bouille Creek  
 Nov 18 1872 Lincoln, Andrew G.  
 Jan 2 1877 Irvine, Milton B.  
 Dec 6 1877 Ellington, Alpheus  
 Dec 14 1877 Cotton, Oliver M.  
 Apr 16 1886 Cotten, Mrs. Nancy  
 Jul 11 1893 Discontinued Mail to Wigwam

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	EL PASO / COLO. CI 10P 24.5	Hstp No killer	Nov 5 186-
2	EL PASO / COLO. CI 10P 27.0	Hstp Cork, smudge; Pen cancel; target	Feb 15 187- Oct 21 187-
3	EL PASO / COLO. CI 10P 27.0	Hstp Target	Sep 21 188- Jan 5 1891(?) Different year dates on different cancels

**ELLICOTT**

Ellicott was a rural post office east of Colorado Springs. It was named by and for English born George Henry Ellicott who was the postmaster. The original community was south of present day Colorado Highway 94 but as travel on that route increased, the business section of the community moved north one mile to the principal road.

Ellicott is located on Colorado Highway 94, nine miles west of Yoder at the intersection with Ellicott Highway. The present-day community of several homes and a few small businesses is scattered along a short stretch of the highway. The location of the post office was at the southwest corner of the section that lies in the southwest corner of the intersection. Drive south one mile on Ellicott Highway; turn west on Randle Road for one mile. There are some recent trailers and mobile homes in that area.

The Geographic Site Location Report of Ellicott is mis-filed under Teller County.

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**Chronology of the Post Office**

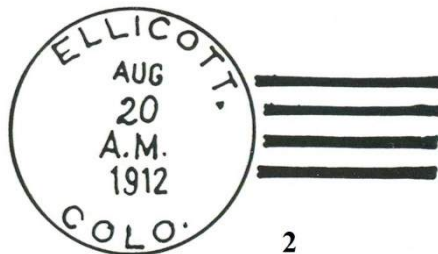
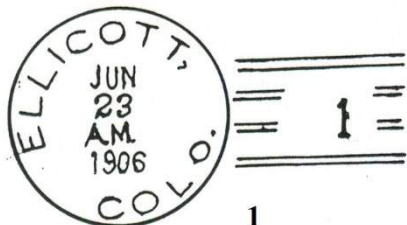
Apr 11 1895 --- SW/4 Sec 13 T14S R63W  
 Proposed postmaster - George Henry Ellicott

Apr 29 1895 Established  
 Apr 29 1895 Ellicott, George H.  
 May 10 1899 Ord, William D.  
 Sep 11 1900 Shattuck, John Order rescinded Oct 30 1900  
 Dec 1 1900 Ellicott, Harriet  
 May 16 1899 Ord, William D.  
 Mar 18 1903 --- SW/4 Sec 13 T14S R63W 2-1/2 miles west of Squirrel Creek  
 Feb 8 1909 Amdrews, Alice L.  
 Nov 21 1913 Porter, Rhoda J.  
 Jan 29 1916 Dangler, Russell A.  
 Jul 31 1916 Discontinued Mail to Calhan

**ELLICOTT – Continued**

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

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|---|----------------------------------|--|
| 1 | ELLICOTT, / COLO.<br>CI 10P 27.5 | Apr 17 1905 Dec 23 1909<br>Doane Type 2, with 1; S-23x14mm |
| 2 | ELLICOTT, / COLO.<br>CI 10P 32.0 | Apr 5 1910 Apr 12 1915<br>4bars S-??x19mm                  |



**ELSMERE**

For a few months Elsmere was a post office on the Chicago and Rock Island and Pacific Railroad (originally known as the Chicago, Kansas, and Nebraska Railroad) on the eastern edge of present day Colorado Springs. Nothing else has been written about Elsmere and its short life indicates that the need for the office was questionable and it is possible that it was never in operation. The source of the name is unknown.

The site of Elsmere is about two miles north of Peterson Air Force Base. Turn north on Powers Boulevard from US Highway 24 (East Platte Avenue). Powers Boulevard is a mile west of the entrance to Peterson Air Force Base. Drive north to Constitution Avenue and turn east. Constitution Avenue curves south and parallels a drainage ditch and the old railroad grade. When Jim Ozment and I visited this area in 2001 there were a number of railroad passenger cars off to the south of Constitution Avenue. To the best of our knowledge Elsmere was in that area.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

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|-------------|-----|--|
| Oct 11 1889 | --- | NW/4 Sec 6 T14S 65W In Depot, Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific |
| Nov 18 1889 |     | Established  |
| Nov 18 1889 |     | Taggart, Mary  |
| Feb 4 1890  |     | Discontinued Mail to Colorado Springs                        |

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

**NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM ELSMERE**

**FALCON**

On October 16, 1888 the Chicago, Kansas & Nebraska Railroad arrived in Colorado Springs. The new line crossed under the Denver, Texas & Fort Worth Railroad (originally the Denver and New Orleans, and later the Colorado and Southern) two miles southwest of Granger. A July 9, 1888 agreement granted the Chicago, Kansas & Nebraska a right-of-way for \$1.00. However, the newcomer was obligated to perform grading and bridging for an overpass and furnish materials for a track relocation. Soon afterward, the area and the new town became larger than Granger. Eventually the Denver, Texas, and Fort Worth constructed a rail-yard and interchange track at Falcon which replaced all but the water tank at Granger. Granger's 16x45-foot depot was also moved to the new railroad junction.

The name of the town reflects that of a type of raptor native to the area: the prairie falcon (*Falco mexicanus*).

**FALCON – Continued**

Since its days as a busy railroad junction Falcon has had an up and down existence. When the Denver, Texas, and Fort Worth (Colorado Southern) ceased operating on the line through Falcon, the town rapidly declined. In the late twentieth century, the Rock Island also ceased operation and by 1993, when I first visited Falcon, it was little more than a crossroads settlement on US Highway 24.

The independent Falcon Post Office had been discontinued in 1942. In 1985 a new post office opened but it was a Station of Colorado Springs. The post office was in small service complex at the intersection of Meridian Road with US 24.

Later, most likely in 1987, the Falcon Office became a Community Post Office attached to Peyton, Colorado.

Ten years later, in 2003, I again visited Falcon and to say the least there had been major changes. Falcon had become a large community with a shopping center and several classy residential developments covering a large area north of US 24. The post office was now in a small bank building just north of US 24 and west of the side road (Woodmen Road). It can be reached by turning west and then south around behind a carwash.

Latitude = 38:55:59 North Longitude = 104:36:29 West

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Oct 10 1888	Established	
Oct 10 1888	Kavanaugh, R. F.	
Oct 31 1888	---	NW/4 Sec 7 T13S R64W On line of both the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific and the Denver & Fort Worth Railways Proposed postmaster - R. F. Kavanaugh
Nov 10 1888	Russell, Freeman H.	
Sep 12 1889	Buck, Edward H.	
Jan 29 1891	Sanford, Nannie C.	
Mar 21 1891	Mills, Edward E.	
Sep 28 1892	Maxwell, Andrew E.	
Feb 29 1892	Truett, George I.	
Dec 6 1893	Dyer, Samuel J.	
May 10 1895	Jackson, Mary E.	
Feb 8 1897	Wells, Eva E.	
Apr 26 1897	Robinson, Benjamin	
Apr 15 1902	Johnson, Herbert	Appointment rescinded Jun 24 1902
Aug 9 1904	Sweatman, Hiram C.	
Apr 22 1913	Elam, Simeon E.	
Dec 5 1915	Scott, Charles P.	
Jun 24 1919	---	NE/4 Sec 12 T13S R65W 200 feet south of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific A move 1,278 feet south of a previous location
Oct 26 1927	Scott, Vernon G.	Acting & Confirmed
Nov 23 1927	Scott, Vernon G.	Appointed
Dec 22 1927	Scott, Vernon G.	Commissioned
Jan 25 1937	Scott, Mrs. Helen M.	Confirmed
Jan 10 1937	Scott, Mrs. Helen M.	Commissioned
Feb 13 1937	Scott, Mrs. Helen M.	Assumed charge
Jan 9 1941	Scott, Fletcher W.	Confirmed
Feb 13 1941	Scott, Fletcher W.	Commissioned
Feb 20 1941	Scott, Fletcher W.	Assumed charge
Oct 23 1941	---	NW/4 Sec 9 T13S R64W Falcon Station 300 feet northwest of Post Office Is at intersection of US 24 and road to Elbert NOTE: The section is wrong
Sep 16 1942	Ordered closed	
Sep 14 1942	Discontinued Mail to Peyton	

**FALCON – Continued**



**FALCON / COLO.**

**November 28, 1897**

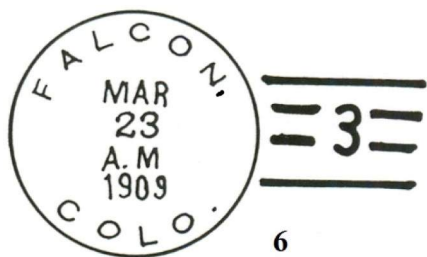
**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	FALCON, / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Hstp Target	Dec 13 1886 Feb 11 1889
2	FALCON / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Hstp Target, 4-ring	Oct 5 1889 Apr 4 1892
3	FALCON / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Hstp Cork, Smudge	Jun 11 1894
4	FALCON / COLO. CI 10P 27.5	Hstp No killer	Nov 28 1897
5	FALCON / COLO. CI 10P 29.0	Hstp Cork, negative X-roads	Dec 10 1899 Jul 24 1900
6	FALCON, / COLO. CI 10P 31.0	Doane Type 3, with 3; S-23x14mm	Feb 22 1907 Sep 5 1910
7	FALCON / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-24x19mm	Feb 24 1912 May 28 1919
8	FALCON / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-24x20mm	Nov 18 1912 Jul 12 1922
9	FALCON / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-24x19mm	Jul 6 1922 Dec 28 1934
10	FALCON / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-23x18mm	Aug 2 1939 Aug 8 1940

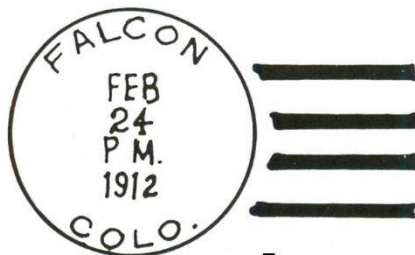
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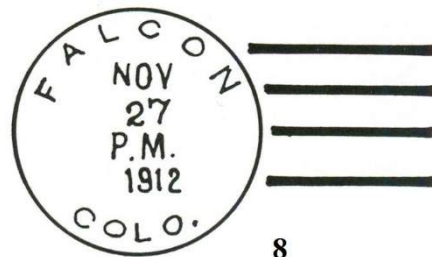
## FALCON – Continued



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## FOUNTAIN

The first settlement at Fountain began in 1859 with the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Terrell and bachelor Tom Owens. Three years later Mathias Lock and his wife arrived and it was the Locks who constructed the first residence and business on what eventually became Main Street in the town of Fountain.

It should be noted that in late 1858, Josiah F. Smith and others started a town that they too named Fountain. This one was near where Fountain Creek joins the Arkansas River and is now within the boundaries of the City of Pueblo.

In 1870, survey and construction crews of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad reached the small community and on January 14, 1871 the town of Fountain was platted and recorded. Fountain was incorporated in 1903.

In 1878 the Santa Fe Railroad also built through Fountain.

Fountain was named for its location on Fountain Creek. The creek was named by French trappers and called "La Fontaine Qui Bouille," a reference to the hot springs that feed its headwaters.

At first Fountain served as a supply and rest stop on the trail and stagecoach route north from Pueblo to Denver. In recent years Fountain has shared in the extensive development of the area south of Colorado Springs and immediately east of the Fort Carson Military Reservation. It has become a city in its own right.

The Post Office is located on Fountain Avenue, a block and a half east of Old Pueblo Road. There is access to the Fountain business district from Interstate 25.

Latitude = 38:40:56 North Longitude = 104:42:01 West

**FOUNTAIN – Continued  
Chronology of the Post Office**

Jul 11 1864	---	SW/4 Sec 5 T16S R65W 1/4 mile east of Fontaine Qui Bouille	
		NOTE: "Old Bents Fort is at present the Exchanging Point for Northern and Eastern and Southern mail. The different coaches (one from Kansas City, one from Santa Fe and one from Denver) meet here about Friday each week, exchange mails and return to their different starting points. All the contracts are in hands of Cottrel & Co."	
Aug 8 1864		Established	
Aug 8 1864		Terrell, Amos H.	
Feb 13 1871	---	SW/4 Sec 5 T16S R65W 1/8 mile north of Fontaine Qui Bouille	
Dec 22 1871		Gould, Edward H.	
Feb 12 1873		Croft, Clayton P.	
Apr 27 1880		Hutchins, H.	
Jul 2 1883		Hutchins, Mrs. Elvina	
Feb 5 1886		Benedict, Albert J.	
Jul 6 1897		Hutchins, Grace A.	
Apr 4 1898	---	SW/4 SW/4 Sec 5 T16S R65W 1/4 mile east of the Santa Fe Railroad	
Mar 15 1914	---	SW/4 Sec 5 T16S R65W 1/4 mile northeast of Fontaine Qui Bouille	
Sep 18 1914		Gore, Loren T.	
Jul 1 1919			Office made Presidential
Dec 10 1919		Pyles, Nellie E.	Acting
Jun 4 1920		Pyles, Nellie E.	P&S
May 26 1924		Northrup, Cora M.	
May 12 1928		Northrup, Cora M.	
Jul 22 1930		Johnson, Cora M.	Name changed by marriage
Apr 1 1932		Johnson, Cora M.	Nominated
Apr 27 1932		Johnson, Cora M.	Confirmed
May 28 1932		Johnson, Cora M.	Commissioned
Oct 8 1936		King, Mrs Nellie M.	Acting
Nov 1 1936		King, Mrs Nellie M.	Assumed charge
Feb 5 1937		King, Mrs Nellie M.	Nominated
Feb 17 1937		King, Mrs Nellie M.	Confirmed
Feb 24 1937		King, Mrs. Nelle M.	Appointed Presidential
Mar 17 1937		King, Mrs Nellie M.	Commissioned
Mar 31 1937		King, Mrs. Nelle M.	Assumed charge
Sep 8 1941		King, Mrs Nellie M.	Nominated
Sep 25 1941		King, Mrs Nellie M.	Confirmed
Oct 2 1941		King, Mrs. Nelle M.	Appointed Presidential
Oct 30 1941		King, Mrs Nellie M.	Commissioned
Oct 31 1941	---	SW/4 Sec 5 T16S R65W (Main St.) Fountain Creek 1/8 mile west	
Nov 15 1941		King, Mrs. Nelle M.	Assumed charge
Feb 28 1955		Cunningham, Mrs. Mildred	Assumed charge
Jun 9 1955		Cunningham, Mrs. Mildred	Acting
Feb 7 1957		Snyder, Wilbur A.	Nominated
Apr 8 1957		Snyder, Wilbur A.	Confirmed & Appointed Presidential
May 17 1957		Snyder, Wilbur A.	Assumed charge
Oct 31 1969		Nugent, Mrs. I. M.	Officer in charge
Mar 18 1972		Schmidt, Earl H.	Appointed & Assumed charge

FOUNTAIN – Continued



FOUNTAIN, / COLO.

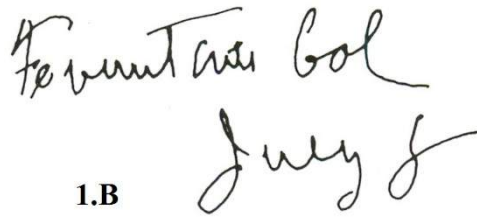
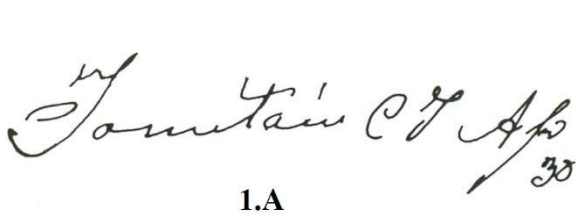
December 14, 1885

Confirmed types of postal markings

1.A	Fountain CT MS	Mscp Pen cancel	Apr 30 186-
1.B	Fountain Col MS	Mscp Pen cancel	Jul 8 1869
2	FOUNTAIN / COLO. CI 10P 25.5	Hstp target, smudged	Mar 31 1879
3	FOUNTAIN COLO / H.W. HUTCHINS, P.M. CI 10P 32.0	Hstp Pen cancel	Sep 29 1881 Mar 20 1883
4	FOUNTAIN / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	Hstp Cork, smudge	Jul 17 1881 Sep 5 1892
4.1	FOUNTAIN, / COLO. CI 10P 25.0	Hstp Fancy, Positive star-in-circle	Dec 14 1885 Feb 1 1886
5	FOUNTAIN / COL. CI 10P 26.5	Hstp Not present	Jun 24 1886 Aug 21 1889
6	FOUNTAIN, / COLO. CI 10P 27.0	Hstp Target, 4-ring 16mm	Mar 28 1890 Apr 8 1890
6.1	FOUNTAIN, COLO. OC 11P 31/29x31/29	Hstp Target, 4-ring	Feb 17 1893 May 2 1894
7	FOUNTAIN / COLO. CI 10P 27.0	Hstp Cork, Smudge	Aug 18 1897 May 3 1900
8	FOUNTAIN / COLO. CI 10P 29.5	Dplx Grid, 9 bar oval	Feb 25 1902 Jan 3 1916
8.1	FOUNTAIN / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Dplx Grid, 9 bar oval	Dec 24 1915
9	FOUNTAIN / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Dplx Grid, 9 bar oval	--- -- 1927 Feb 14 1933

**FOUNTAIN – Continued**

10	FOUNTAIN / COLO. CI 10P 34.0	4bars S-??x20mm	Sep 6 1934 Feb 28 1936
11	FOUNTAIN / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-23x19mm	Feb 11 1939 Sep 6 1948
12	FOUNTAIN / COLO. CI 10P 34.0	4bars S-26x20mm	Nov 8 1957 Jun 30 1960
13	FOUNTAIN / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-26x20mm	Oct 18 1962 Mar 20 1965
14	FOUNTAIN, / COLO. CI 10P 21.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	Mar 24 1964 Mar 13 1965
15	FOUNTAIN, CO / 80817 CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-22x20mm	Sep -- 1967 Jun 16 1976
16	FOUNTAIN, CO / 80817 CI 10P 21.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	May 6 1971 Apr 20 1972
17	FOUNTAIN / COLO. CI 11P 29.0/18.0	Hstp No killer	Jul 19 1977
18	FOUNTAIN, CO / USPO CI 11P 29.0/19.0	Hstp No killer	Mar 20 1986 Oct 21 1988
19	FOUNTAIN, CO / 80817 CI 10P 34.0	Hstp No killer	Apr 20 1993 Jun 1 1993



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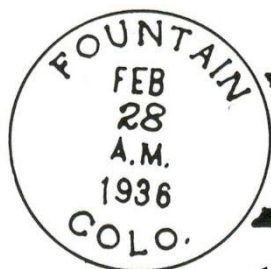
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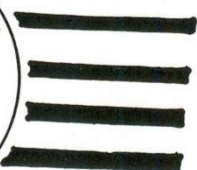
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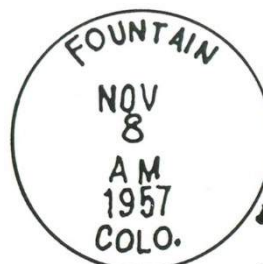
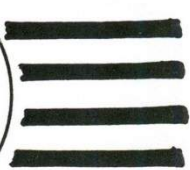
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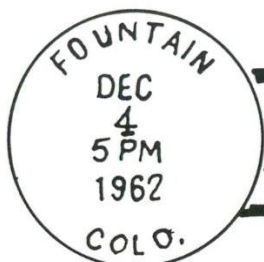
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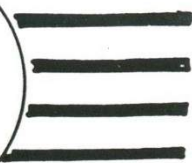
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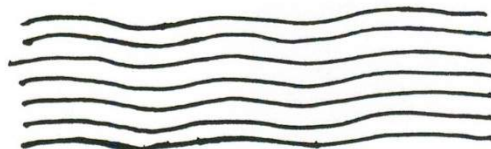
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**FRANCEVILLE – Continued**

Jun 26 1883	Croft, Cohn	
May 11 1886	Stewart, Frank	
Apr 19 1887	Little, Wallace M.	
Jan 25 1888	Turner, Charles Y.	
Dec 22 1890	Weaver, Noah W.	
Nov 12 1892	Wolfe, Virgil C.	Not commissioned
May 14 1894	Discontinued Mail to McFerran	



FRANCEVILLE, / COLO.

September 30, 1883

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

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|---|---|---|
| 1 | FRANCEVILLE, / COLO.<br>CI 21P 34.0/32.0/20.0 | Sep 24 1883 Jan 15 1887<br>Hstp Fancy, Positive star in 18mm circle |
| 2 | FRANCEVILLE / COLO.<br>CI 10P 27.5            | Feb 10 1891 May 5 1892<br>Hstp Target, 4-ring 17mm                  |



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**FRANCEVILLE JUNCTION**

Franceville Junction was appropriately at the junction of a spur line from the Denver and New Orleans Railroad to the Franceville coal mines about four miles to the northeast. The junction was established in March 1882 and continued in operation until the rails were torn up in 1898. Located at Franceville Junction were a 25x70-foot depot, a section house, water tank and pump house and more than a mile of sidetracks.

**FRANCEVILLE JUNCTION – Continued**

As with Franceville, the name derives from Matthew France, a Colorado Springs businessman who was involved in the mining operation and was a large landholder in the area.

The first proposed name was Thornton, an obvious attempt by the proposed postmaster, Cholmondeley Thornton to attach his name to his post office. The name was rejected and the descriptive Franceville Junction was substituted. There is no obvious reason for the rejection. At the time there was neither a Thornton in Colorado or in California. It may simply have been a decision of the Post Office Department to deny Mr. Thornton the honor of a post office bearing his name.

Unlike the site of Franceville, Franceville Junction is easily located. From Colorado Highway 94, drive south on Mark Scheffel Road to Drennan Road. A short distance east of Mark Scheffel Road there is a ranch on the south side of Drennan Road. The main line of the Denver and New Orleans ran through the ranch complex and the grade is readily visible south of the buildings. The point where the branch line departed for Franceville is still identifiable, also just south of the ranch buildings.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

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|--------------------|------------|---|
| <b>Feb 16 1892</b> | <b>---</b> | <b>SE/4 Sec 24 T14S R65 About 25 feet east of the Denver Texas and Fort Worth Railroad<br/>Proposed postmaster - F. Cholmondeley Thornton<br/>Sketch map places it at the junction with the spur to Franceville<br/>NOTE: This should be Section 34, not 24</b> |
| <b>Mar 12 1892</b> |            | <b>Established</b>  |
| <b>Mar 12 1892</b> |            | <b>Thornton, F. Cholmondeley</b>  |
| <b>Oct 3 1899</b>  |            | <b>Ordered closed</b>   |
| <b>Nov 15 1899</b> |            | <b>Discontinued Papers to Fountain</b>  |



**An older building at Francville Junction, Colorado The old railroad grade is in the foreground  
Photograph by William H. Bauer  
May 13, 2001**

**FRANCEVILLE JUNCTION – Continued**

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

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|---|---|--|
| 1 | FRANCEVILLE JUNCT. // D.T.& FT.W.R.R. (PAN-HANDLE /ROUTE)<br>CI 11P 32.0/22.0 | Oct 24 1892<br>Hstp No killer: In center: "PAN-HANDLE /m/d/y/ ROUTE" |
| 2 | FRANCEVILLE JUNCTION / COLO.<br>CI 10P 27.0                                   | Oct 2 1899<br>Hstp Target, 4-ring                                    |



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**GLENEATH**

Gleneath was a rural post office located southeast of Colorado Springs in an area that had no significant communities. No additional historical information has been recorded for Gleneath and I have no reference to a source of the name. Gleneath was located one mile west of Peyton Highway and nine miles south of Colorado Highway 94.

To visit the location, drive south on Peyton Highway ten miles from Colorado 94 to Squirrel Creek Road and turn west. Go one mile and turn north on Milne Road. There were two nearby locations for the Gleneath Post Office. The first was a mile north of Squirrel Creek Road and about a half mile west of Milne Road. The only thing there is a water tank. The second location was approximately a mile further north, also on the west side of Milne Road. There is a dead-end side road, Clements Road, that leads to a group of ranch buildings. That was a likely site for the 1919 location of the Gleneath Post Office.

From Gleneath, I suggest returning to Squirrel Creek Road and then continuing east across Peyton Highway to seek the location of the Squirrel Creek Post Office.

Squirrel Creek Road is seven miles north of the site of the Hanover Post Office.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

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|-------------|-----|--|
| Dec 24 1910 | --- | Lot 4, SE/4 SW/4 & S/2 SE/4 Sec 30 T15S R63W Chico Creek is 4-1/2 miles west of post office<br>Proposed postmaster - Charles Alonzo Cooley |
| Oct 22 1910 |     | Established  |
| Jan 20 1914 |     | Cooley, Daisy T.   |
| Feb 25 1914 | --- | NE/4 Sec 30 T15S R63W  |
| Oct 22 1910 |     | Cooley, Charles A.   |
| Jul 31 1916 |     | Discontinued Mail to Colorado Springs  |

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

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| 1 | GLENEATH / COLO.<br>CI 10P 32.0 | Jul 26 1912 Jun 13 1916<br>4bars S-24x19mm |
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## **GLENN**

Glen was a rural post office on the prairies of eastern El Paso County, only two miles west of the El Paso-Elbert County line. In 1997 there was a good sized, active ranch at the location in an otherwise sparsely populated countryside. There is no evidence of there having been a larger community at the location.

To visit the site of Glenn, begin on US Highway 24 at Ramah. Turn south onto Ramah Road East. This connection takes you south a few hundred feet before turning due east. Go four miles east to Simla Highway and turn south. Drive south six miles to Alta Vista Road and turn west. The ranch, accepted as the site of Glenn, is less than a half mile west of Simla Road, on the south side of Alta Vista Road. It is visible from the intersection.

### **Chronology of the Post Office**

<b>Jun 20 1896</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>NE/4 Sec 10 T12S R60W One mile west of Rush Creek</b>	
		<b>Proposed postmaster - Katie D. Kernes</b>	
<b>Sep 23 1896</b>		<b>Established</b>	
<b>Sep 23 1896</b>		<b>Kernes, Katie D</b>	
<b>May 22 1899</b>		<b>Kernes, Willis J.</b>	
<b>Jul 20 1901</b>		<b>Ordered closed</b>	
<b>Jul 31 1901</b>		<b>Discontinued Papers to Ramah</b>	
<b>Jun 15 1903</b>		<b>Re-established</b>	
<b>Jun 15 1903</b>		<b>Kernes, Willis J.</b>	<b>Order rescinded Dec 5 1903</b>
<b>Dec 5 1903</b>		<b>Discontinued</b>	

### **Confirmed types of postal markings**

**NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM GLENN**

## **GOLDROCK**

I have found no information relative to the location or history of this place. There is no Post Office Department Geographic Site Location Report for Goldrock.

Perhaps the fact that the establishment was rescinded indicates that there was no real need for the office. It is also possible that the location was somewhere in the Cripple Creek Mining District, which in 1896 was still a part of El Paso County.

### **Chronology of the Post Office**

		<b>No document was found in the El Paso County Geographic Site Location Reports.</b>	
<b>Apr 14 1896</b>		<b>Established</b>	
<b>Apr 14 1896</b>		<b>Wilson C. Davis</b>	
<b>Aug 31 1896</b>		<b>Establishment rescinded</b>	

### **Confirmed types of postal markings**

**NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM GOLDROCK**

## **GRANGER**

Granger was established following the arrival of the Denver and New Orleans Railroad (later known as the Colorado and Southern). A siding, water tank and a station were built to serve as a shipping point for cattle, sheep and lumber from the surrounding countryside. Granger did grow into a small community and it had a one-room schoolhouse.

When a post office was authorized for Granger, it was located in the railroad depot.

**GRANGER – Continued**

The Post Office Department Geographic Site Location Report was submitted with a post office name of Haidee. That choice was rejected and Granger substituted. I have no information concerning the possible source of either name.

Two miles to the southwest, the town of Falcon began to grow around the point where the tracks of the Chicago and Rock Island Railroad and the Colorado and Southern crossed. Although most of the residents and small businesses moved from Granger to Falcon, the Colorado and Southern maintained its operations for many years, until the railroad was shut down.

My first visit to the site of Granger was in 1993. Unfortunately, I did not record specific directions to the site. At the time there was a road to the northeast from Falcon. Approximately a mile from Falcon there was a side road to the east that soon crossed US Highway 24. A short distance after turning on to that road, you crossed the abandoned grade of the Colorado and Southern. The roadbeds of the main line and a sidetrack were still visible north of the road and there was a windmill and a small shack.

On August 12, 2003, on my way to Denver I attempted to revisit the site of Granger. I came to US 24 by way of Judge Orr Road but when I crossed US 24 to go the remaining short distance to the site of Granger I found that there was no longer a through road from US 24. And the area, which had once been Granger, was now overrun by a large residential development, a suburb of Falcon; another sign of the growth of metropolitan Colorado Springs and a continuing disappearance of historical sites and structures.

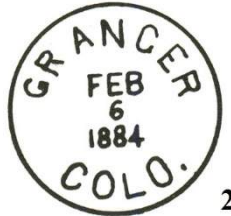
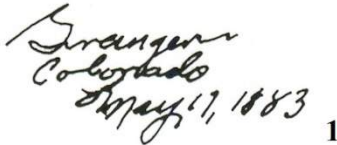
**GRANGER / COLO.****March 17, 1886****Chronology of the Post Office**

Dec 20 1882	---	SW/4 Sec 32 T12S R64W On west side of Denver & New Orleans Railroad Proposed postmaster - George M. Brake
Jan 12 1883		Established
Jan 12 1883		Brake, George W. Russell, Freeman H.
Dec 13 1888		Discontinued Papers to Falcon

**GRANGER – Continued**

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

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|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | Granger / Colorado<br>MS       | Mscp Pen cancel          | May 17 1883            |
| 2 | GRANGER / COLO.<br>CI 10P 27.0 | Hstp Target, 4-ring 17mm | Feb 6 1884 Feb 20 1887 |



**GREEN**

Please refer to the discussion of Green Mountain Falls for the history of this post office.

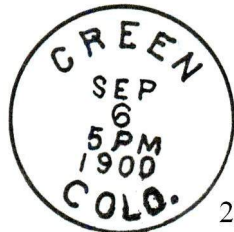
**Chronology of the Post Office**

See Green Mountain Falls. There was no separate document in the El Paso County Geographic Site Location Reports.

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|-------------|--|
| Sep 28 1894 | Name changed from Green Mountain Falls |
| Sep 28 1894 | Hall, Leonard L.                       |
| Jan 14 1899 | Shoup, Delia J.                        |
| Jun 25 1901 | Name changed to Green Mountain Falls   |

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

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|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 | GREEN / COLO.<br>CI 10P 27.5         | Hstp Cork, Circle of wedges, smudge | Sep 9 1895 Jul 21 1899   |
| 2 | GREEN / COLO.<br>CI 10P 29.0         | Dplx Grid, oval                     | Sep 6 1900               |
| 3 | GREEN, COLO. / REC'D.<br>CI 10P 29.0 | Hstp No killer                      | Aug 14 (1900) Sep 6 1900 |



**GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS**

Like nearby Cascade, Green Mountain Falls developed during the 1880's. The name was a reference to a 200-foot high series of cascades on a nearby mountainside.

In 1881 George Howard retired from freighting and herding cattle. He paid \$600 for a ranch where Green Mountain Falls is now located.



**GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS – Continued**

Sep 13 1973	Stull, Sarah P	Officer in charge
Feb 2 1974	Stull, Sarah T.	Appointed
Apr 9 1976	Leger, Sarah T.	Change in name
Apr 9 1976	Johnson, Marion B.	Officer in charge
Aug 27 1976	Forsett, Henry T.	Officer in charge
Jan 7 1977	Pullara, JoAnn	Officer in charge
Apr 8 1977	Dale, Jack	Officer in charge
Aug 5 1977	Meredith, Mrs. Chanda C.	Officer in charge
May 5 1978	Hoffman, George H.	Officer in charge
Jan 13 1979	Gayer, Mrs. Marilyn A.	Appointed

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Hstp Target	Mar 17 1889 Jun 1 1889
2	GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS, / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Hstp Cork, Smudge	Aug 11 1889 Mar 21 1892
2.1	GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Dplx Grid, 8-bar oval	Nov 27 1906 July 30 1907
3	GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS, / COLO. CI 10P 31.0	4bars S-22x13mm	Aug 15 1907 Aug 26 1914
4	GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS, / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-24x19mm	Aug 4 1916 Aug 15 1933
4.1	GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS / COLO. CI 10P 32.5	4bars S-24x20mm	Sep 10 1927 Jan 26, 1929
5	GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-24x20mm	Aug 13 1934 Mar 4 1936
6	GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-23x19mm	Apr 6 1939
7	GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS / COLO. CI 10P 37.0	4bars S-??x20mm	Sep 16 1939
8	GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Dplx Grid, diamond with 1	Jul 31 1948 Jul 3 1957
9	GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS. / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-25x20mm	Jun 11 1940 Jun 27 1945
10	GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-24x19mm	Dec 27 1961 Jul 3 1964
11	GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS, / COLO. CI 10P 22.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	Aug 8 1964 Jan 11 1966
11.1	GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS, COLO. CI 11P 35.0/27.0	Hstp No killer	Apr 16 1966
12	GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS, CO / 80819 CI 10P 32.5	4bars S-24x19mm	Oct 18 1967 Jul 21 1976
13	GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS, CO / 80819 CI 10P 22.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	May 19 1966 Jul 24 1968
14	GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS / COLO. CI 11P 29.0/18.0	Hstp No killer	Oct 9 1969
15	GREEN MTN. FALLS, CO / 80819 CI 11P 32.0	Hstp No killer	Apr 14 1993 May 29 1993
16	GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS CO 80819 / USPS CI 11P 28.0/19.0	Hstp No killer	May 13 1998 Jun 19 2001
17	GREEN MTN. FALLS CO / USPS 80819 CI 11P 34.0/22.5	Hstp No killer, Inner circle is two arcs	May 13 1998

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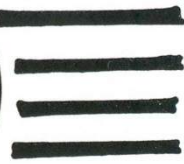
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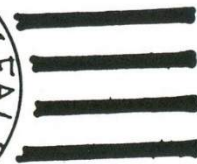
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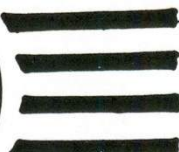
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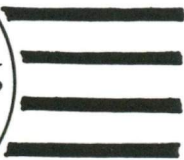
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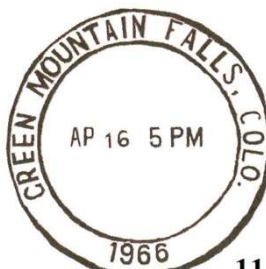
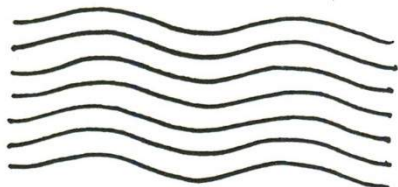
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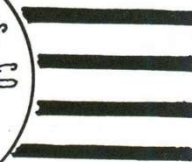
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**GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS – Continued**



**GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS CENTENNIAL STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jul 21 1990 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 1 GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS, / COLORADO 80819 // GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS / CENTENNIAL STATION Jul 21 1990 Jul 21 1990  
IR 10P 120.0x45.0 Pict Scene - Centennial emblem; text – GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS, COLORADO / The Gem of the Rockies/ 1890-1990 / CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION



**GWILLIMSVILLE**

The Gwillim brothers, Gwillim R. and David T. were from Neath, South Wales. In 1878 they operated a general merchandise store in Monument and also a cheese factory some five miles to the east. A small community developed around the cheese factory and eventually included a creamery, store, blacksmith shop, saloon, post office, school, and church. Across the road from the factory was housing for those who worked in the cheese factory.

**GWILLIMSVILLE – Continued**

The surrounding area was employed for grazing, dairying and a source of lumber. There is still some ranching in the area and some timber production. But this section of El Paso County is undergoing growth as a part of the residential development spreading north from Colorado Springs and east from Interstate 25.

Obviously, the town was named for its founders, the Gwillim brothers. During its existence, both brothers served terms as postmaster for Gwillimsville.

To visit the site of Gwillimsville, exit from Interstate 25 at Monument and drive east on Colorado Highway 105 about five miles to Colorado Highway 83. At that point look back to the west. Gwillimsville was down in the valley along West Cherry Creek. In October 1997 there were some scattered older buildings north of Colorado 105. In August 2003 several new homes had appeared on the west side of the valley.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Mar 25 1878 ---	SE/4 Sec 9 T11S R66W Document signed by Gwillim R. Gwillim
Apr 18 1878	Established
Apr 18 1878	Gwillim, Gwillim R.
Apr 29 1887	Gwillim, David T.
Aug 27 1886	Discontinued
Apr 29 1887	Re-established
Jul 24 1889	Gwillim, Gwillim R.
Sep 25 1890	Discontinued

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	GWILLIMSVILLE / COLO. CI 10P 27.0	Jun 4 187-
		Hstp Target, 4-ring 17mm

**HALFWAY**

The first settlement at what eventually became Halfway was sometime prior to 1890. A Mr. Booth had a cabin along a wide spot in the trail to the summit of Pike's Peak. The Tom Palsgrove family acquired the cabin and soon began operating a refreshment stand for travelers on the trail and also sheltering tired tourists.

The cabin was enlarged and became known as Half-Way House, accommodating a growing number of hikers and vacationers. When construction of the Manitou and Pikes Peak Cog Railway began, the Palsgrove family was in a position to extract meaningful concessions from the builder of the railway. For the right-of-way across their land the Palsgrove family received free passes on the railway, a depot with a regular stop, as well as a concession to provide a luncheon service to passengers on the train.

The Palsgroves sold their operation in 1895 and eventually the city of Colorado Springs acquired the land for its municipal watershed. The Half-Way House was razed in 1926.

**HALFWAY – Continued**

The name Halfway was a misnomer, as the site is only a third of the way to the summit. By trail it is seven- and one-half miles to the top from Halfway but only six miles via the cog railway.

The cog railway still passes the site, but does not stop. The site is marked but is heavily overgrown.

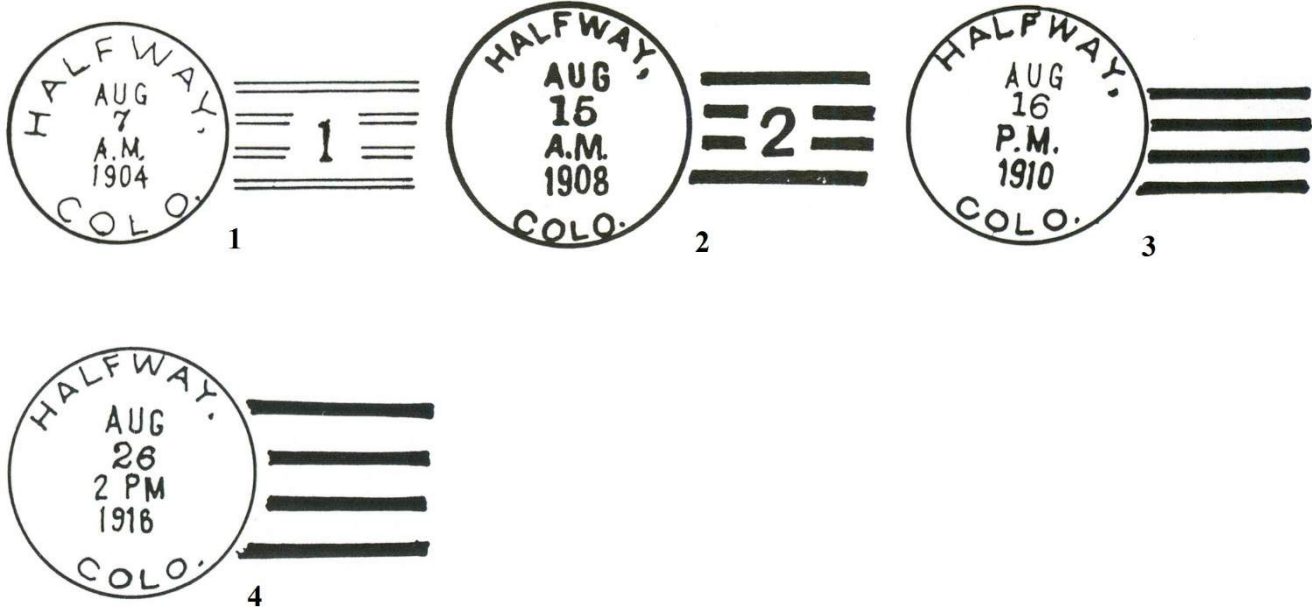
The only way to put feet on the ground at Halfway is to hike the Pikes Peak Trail. Fortunately, a large number of photographs of Half Way House exist as do a great many picture post cards.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

- Aug 12 1903 -- SW/4 SW/4 Sec 11 T14S R68W On the north side of Ruxton Creek 30 feet south side of the Manitou and Pikes Peak Railroad, Halfway House  
Proposed postmaster - John B. Palsgrove
- Aug 21 1903 Established Station on Manitou & Pikes Peak Railroad, half way to the summit  
Hotel Post Office
- Aug 21 1903 Palsgrove, John B.
- Jan 3 1907 Gunn, Frank G.
- Jun 5 1909 Harris, William H.
- Aug 27 1913 Harris, William H.
- Jan 15 1916 Harris, Roy G.
- May 31 1917 Discontinued Mail to Manitou

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

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| 1 | HALFWAY, / COLO.<br>CI 10P 28.0 | Apr 4 1904 Sep 29 1906<br>Doane Type 2 with 1, S-24x14mm  |
| 2 | HALFWAY, / COLO.<br>CI 10P 31.0 | Jun 27 1907 Jun 10 1910<br>Doane Type 3 with 2, P-23x14mm |
| 3 | HALFWAY, / COLO.<br>CI 10P 31.0 | Jun 10 1910 Sep 19 1913<br>4bars S-25x14mm                |
| 4 | HALFWAY, / COLO.<br>CI 10P 32.0 | Jun 17 1906 Aug 26 1916<br>4bars S-25x20mm                |



**HANOVER**

Hanover is described as a rural post office. It has been claimed that it was named for Hanover, Iowa, the hometown of a Mr. Fankell who established the post office. However, the name Fankell does not appear in the brief list of postmasters at Hanover. Therefore, draw your own conclusion as to the source of the name. Note also that the first postmaster was Josephine Shacklett and one of the proposed names was Josephine.

Hanover was located at the intersection of Myers Road (east-west) with Peyton Highway (north-south). By way of Peyton Highway it is seventeen miles south of Colorado Highway 94. Coming from the north you would pass near the sites of Drennan/Hibbard, Crows Roost, Squirrel Creek and Gleneath. From Hanover you can go east on Myers Road 16 miles to Edison Road and then north to visit the sites of Dragoo and Majors before returning to Colorado 94 between Rush and Yoder.

At what was Hanover there are some buildings in the area but the most likely location for the Hanover Post office is four tenths of a mile south of the intersection, on the west side of Peyton Highway, where there is an old barn. This would be within the claimed quarter section location.

Latitude = 38:35:07 North Longitude = 104:27:37 West HANOVER SCHOOL

**Chronology of the Post Office**

- Jun 10 1913 Established
- Jun 10 1913 Duse, Josephine
- Jul 7 1913 -- NE/4 Sec 8 T17S R63W
- Other suggested names: Flynn, Chico, or Josephine Chico Creek 2 miles west of post office site
- Apr 26 1915 Shacklett, Josephine
- Feb 27 1918 Elliott, Ray D.
- Dec 12 1918 Hill, Muriel DeG.
- Apr 30 1921 Discontinued Mail to Colorado Springs



HANOVER, / COLO.

December 23, 1913

**HANOVER – Continued**

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1 HANOVER. / COLO.  
CI 10P 33.0

Dec 23 1913 Dec 21 1920

4bars S-24x20mm



**HIBBARD**

There is some question as to whether or not this post office operated under the name of Hibbard. Post Office Department Records indicate that it was established in 1920 but no day or month is available for the establishment.

What is known is that in 1922 the name was changed to Drennan and it became a Rural Station of Colorado Springs. In addition, no postmarks from Hibbard have been recorded. Given that Hibbard, if it was open, operated for little more than a year the lack of recorded postmarks is not surprising.

I suspect that the office did not open until February 1922 when it began operation as the Drennan Rural Station.

Please refer to the discussion of Drennan for directions to and a description of the site of Hibbard.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Aug 10 1920 --- SE/4 SW/4 Sec 10 T15S R63W

--- 1920 Established

Feb 8 1922 --- SW/4 Sec 9 T15S R63W Reed Corner is 1-1/2 miles west of office

--- 1922 Name changed to Drennan Rural Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

**NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM HIBBARD**

**HOLTWOLD**

The following discussion of Holtwold is the same as included in the Elbert County chapter. It is repeated here because of the possibility that at some time, the Holtwold Post Office was located in El Paso County.

Holtwold was located south of Simla in the southern extension of Elbert County. Its location on the county line between Elbert and El Paso Counties has caused some confusion. There are three Post Office Department Geographic Site Location Reports. All three place the post office in Section 6 of Township 13 South, Range 59 West. That section is on the Elbert side of the county line. The proximity to the county line could make it appear on a small-scale map, that Holtwold was in El Paso County.

Holtwold was a rural post office, however there may have been several residences and a store in the vicinity. Today the area is ranch and farm land.

There is an explanation that the name Holtwold is a combination of two names: a Holt who owned the Horse Creek Ranch and another man named Wood, but who spelled his name Wold.

**HOLTWOLD – Continued**

Begin the trip to Holtwold at the intersection of US Highway 24 and Elbert County Road 133, about two miles east of Simla. Drive twelve miles south on Road 133. One mile south of US 24, Road 133 is on the county line. The Horse Creek Ranch is on the east side of the road and a short distance north of Horse Creek. According to an elderly resident, the post office was in a building on the north side of the driveway to the residence. He also said that the post office was once further south in a store. A mile south from the Horse Creek Ranch is the intersection with Elbert County Road 22. There are buildings in the northeast corner of that intersection, one of which looks like it was a store at some time in the past. This second location would agree with the 1915 Site Location Report that reports a move to a location south of Horse Creek.

Another approach to Holtwold would be to continue west from Kansa on County Road 6 to County Road 133, then turn north four miles to County Road 22.

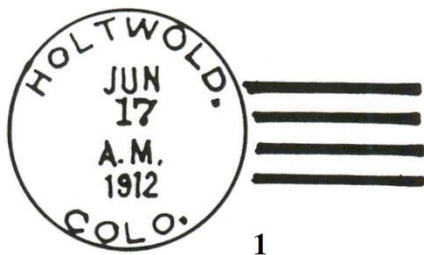
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**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jan 16 1889	Established
Jan 16 1889	Jones, Myron W.
Mar 29 1902	Ordered closed
Apr 15 1902	Discontinued Papers to Ramah
Apr 22 1910	Re-established
Apr 22 1910	Rector, Mrs. Mary G.
Oct 19 1910	Cutler, Richard B.
Jun 6 1914	Erickson, Elam
May 6 1915	Harris, Jennie
Jun 10 1916	Cutler, Richard B.
Feb 28 1917	Discontinued Mail to Ramah

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

0.1	HOLTWOOD, COLORADO	June 21 1894
	CI 11P 33.0/31.0	Hstp Target, 4-ring [Illustrated in Elbert County]
1	HOLTWOLD, / COLO.	Dec 23 1910 Mar 30 1914
	CI 10P 31.0	4bars S-23x13mm



**HUSTED**

The once thriving community of Husted was located south-southeast of Monument in the northeastern corner of what is now the grounds of the United States Air Force Academy. The post office was originally named Southwater but the name was changed to Husted to honor Calvin R. Husted. Husted was never a large community but it had stores, a church, a school, a restaurant, and a post office.

Mr. Husted operated a large sawmill in the community, which from the 1860's had been primarily a lumber producing town. It was also a major railroad shipping point for farm produce and cattle from the surrounding countryside. Both the Denver and Rio Grande and the Santa Fe Railroads served Husted.

**HUSTED – Continued**

The following statements appear at odds with the dates and location from the Post Office Department Geographic Site Location Reports. There was a West Husted and an East Husted. The first post office was in the Rio Grande Depot at West Husted, which was a box car converted into a station. A Mr. Honnold was the station agent. Later the post office was in a store operated by John Harkins. When the store burned, the post office moved to East Husted, near the tracks of the Santa Fe Railroad, so it has been claimed. The first site location report (1875) places the site of Husted north of the main entrance to the Air Force Academy. A second report (1896) places Husted south of the main entrance. The names Honnold and Harkins do appear in the list of postmasters at Husted but more than ten years after the move to the second location. While the statements could be true, there is good reason to question the timing.

Exit from Interstate 25 at Northgate Boulevard, the north entrance to the Air Force Academy. The entrance road soon crosses Monument Creek. The original site of Husted and Southwater was about three-quarters of a mile north of the road, along Monument Creek. There is a side road in that direction, but it is off limits to the public.

The second site of Husted is accessible, at least when Jim Ozment and I went there in 2000 there were no signs restricting access. Coming in from the north entrance there is an intersection at a monument consisting of a B-52 bomber. Turn left on Stadium Boulevard and go south. Take the first left-hand turn, which is opposite the entrance to the Academy Golf Course (Parade Loop). This road leads through a supply area for construction materials beyond which it becomes a dirt road going downhill to the railroad and Monument Creek. At the railroad, again turn left, back north along the railroad a short distance. There is an open area with some old bridge abutments and a large cubical block of stone in the open area. There has been realignment of the railroad grade at some time in the past. I feel relatively comfortable that this was the second site of Husted.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

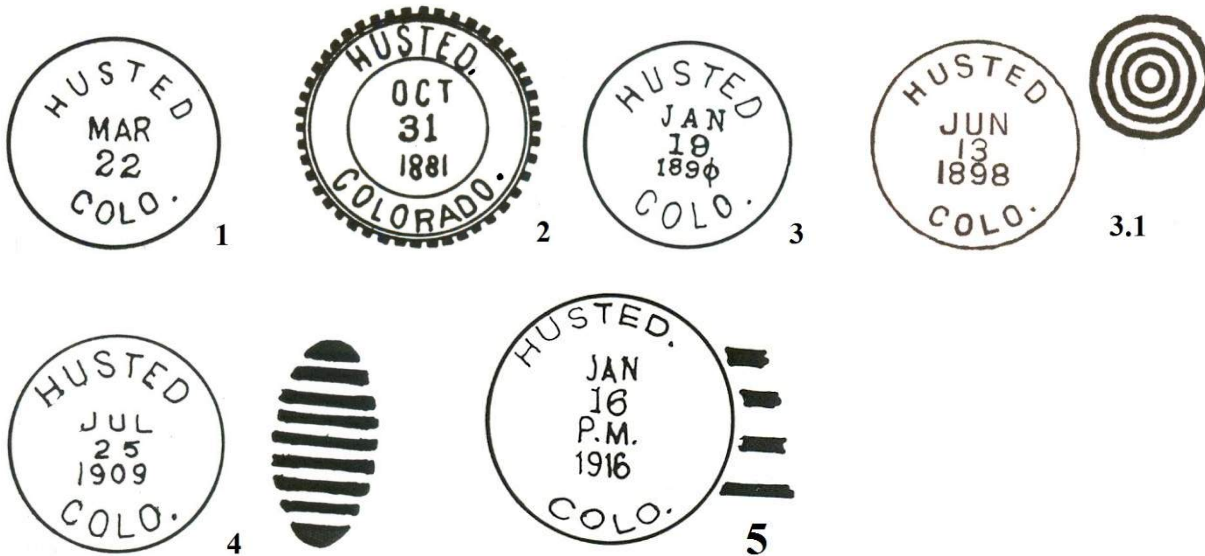
- May 15 1875 --- NW/4 SW/4 Sec 1 T12S R67W 1/4 mile east of Monument Creek 1/4 mile east of the Southwater Flag Station of the D&RG  
The sketch map places it near where the D&RG crosses east to west over Monument Creek
- Oct 1 1878 Moved from Southwater
- Oct 1 1878 Shumaker, James H.
- Apr 12 1886 Burroughs, John H.
- Aug 9 1887 Van Wagner, Robert S.
- Nov 7 1895 Discontinued Mail to Monument
- Jul 7 1896 --- SW/4 Sec 12 T12S R67W 9-1/2 feet east of Denver & Rio Grande 1/12 mile west of Monument Creek  
Proposed postmaster - Mrs. Anna Griffin
- Jul 30 1896 Re-established
- Jul 30 1896 Griffin, Anna
- Oct 17 1902 Linn, Emma W.
- Dec 31 1903 Harriell, Archie W. Order rescinded Mar 25 1904
- Oct 17 1902 Linn, Emma W.
- Oct 21 1905 Stage, Alfred C.
- Feb 27 1906 Honnold, John M.
- Sep 8 1914 Harkins, Fleta M.
- Feb 16 1916 Losey, Jesse W.
- Oct 3 1916 Lyke, Wilson H.
- Aug 5 1919 Zimmerman, Mary L.
- Oct 15 1920 Discontinued Mail to Colorado Springs

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 1 HUSTED / COLO. Mar 22 188-
- CI 10P 27.0 Hstp Cork, Smudge

**HUSTED – Continued**

2	HUSTED, / COLORADO. CI 21C 32.0/29.0/19.0	Oct 31 1881 Hstp Cork, Square double grid
3	HUSTED / COLO. CI 10P 27.0	Jan 19 1891 Hstp Not present
3.1	HUSTED / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Jun 13 1898 Hstp Target, 4-ring
4	HUSTED / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Jul 5 1908 May 24 1914 Dplx Grid, 9 bar oval
5	HUSTED, / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	Jan 16 1916 Oct 29 1916 4bars S-??x??mm



**IVYWILD**

Ivywild was an early suburb of Colorado Springs, some two miles due south of Colorado Springs. William B. Jenkins filed a town plat for Ivywild on February 11, 1888.

The name of the town is attributed to Mr. Jenkins wife and has no specific relation. It was most likely a selection intended to imply a quiet and peaceful community.

Ivywild is still in existence, although now well within the boundaries of Colorado Springs. It is a community of older but well-maintained homes.

According to the Post Office Department Geographic Site Location Report, Ivywild is the area west of US Highways 85-87 and north of Broadmoor Road.

From 1964 to 1968 a Classified Branch of Colorado Springs provided postal services for the area. After being closed for several years the Branch Post Office reopened in 1986. Postal markings have been seen from the Branch Office, but not from the independent post office.

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**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jul 29 1891	---	SW/4 Sec 30 T14S R66W 1-1/4 mile south of Fontaine Qui Bouille 1/8 mile north of Cheyenne Creek Proposed postmaster - Charles F. Mathis
Sep 14 1891		Established
Sep 14 1891		Mathis, Charles M.
Jul 31 1895		Discontinued Mail to Colorado Springs

**IVYWILD – Continued**

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

**NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM IVYWILD**

**JIMMY CAMP**

The name Jimmy Camp dates back to the 1820's or 1830's. One Jimmy Daugherty was reportedly a member of Major Stephen Long's expedition to Colorado. Daugherty is said to have returned to Colorado and built a cabin on a stream some eight miles east of present-day Colorado Springs. Daugherty became friendly with the Ute Indians and when he was murdered by a group of Mexicans the Indians tracked down the killers and took revenge.

The cabin site and an associated spring became a favorite campsite on the Cherokee Trail and were known to travelers as Jimmy Camp. The portion of the trail, from Fountain to Russellville became known as the Jimmy Camp Trail and the name was also attached to the stream. In the late 1870's there was briefly a Jimmy Camp Post Office. A station on the Denver and New Orleans Railroad also carried the name.

The location of Jimmy Camp was about a mile south from Colorado Highway 94 where the Cherokee Trail crosses that modern road. The highway crosses Jimmy Camp Creek approximately two and one-half miles east of the entrance to Peterson Air Force Base and a mile and a half east of Mark Sheffel Road.

In addition to Jimmy Camp, the coal mine settlement of McFerran was also in this area in the late 1880's and the 1890's.

The area of Jimmy Camp is private property with no public access. A view down the valley from Highway 94 does not show any signs of the former habitation.

It should be noted that as development continues to spread east from Colorado Springs there could be rapid changes in this area.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

May 17 1878	Established
May 17 1878	Parfous, Mortimer
May 29 1878 ---	SW/4 Sec 15 T14S R65W Apparently on Jimmy Camp Creek
Feb 14 1879	Discontinued

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

**NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM JIMMY CAMP**

**KELKER**

Kelker was a railroad post office adjacent to the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad some three or four miles southeast of Colorado Springs. It seems likely that its primary, but brief purpose, was to serve railroad personnel and a few other local residents.

Exit from Interstate 25 at South Circle Drive and go east to Janitell Road. Go north on Janitell Road to the intersection with Las Vegas Road. Turn south on Las Vegas Road, which will take you back under South Circle Drive and continue south along the railroad to where Las Vegas Road crosses the tracks of the former Denver and Rio Grande. As best as I can determine Kelker was near that point, probably within the grounds of what is now the Colorado Springs Detention Center.

The USGS El Paso County Topographic Map labels as Kelker the area where South Circle Drive is elevated above the railroad yards. That location is somewhat northwest of the Detention Center. This is also the approximate location of Wheatland (1869-1873).

**KELKER – Continued**

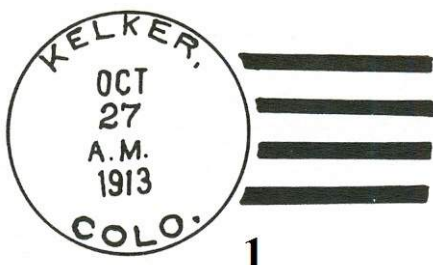
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**Chronology of the Post Office**

Apr 30 1912	Established
Apr 30 1912	Reynolds, Nellie E.
Oct 9 1913	Reynolds, Nellie E.
Jul 24 1914	--- Sec 34 T14S R66W 16 feet east of the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad
Aug 31 1914	Discontinued Mail to Colorado Springs

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1 KELKER, / COLO. Oct 7 1912 Oct 27 1913  
CI 10P 32.0 4bars S-24x20mm

**LOWLAND**

Lowland was the first name given to the post office located in the southwest quarter of section 17, Township 14 South, Range 61 West.

Lowland opened in 1908 and in April 1909 the name was changed to Wayne. The post office continued under that name until it closed in early 1912 with mail directed to Yoder. Perhaps at that time the Yoder Post Office was moved to this location and was there briefly before moving back north.

The location is one mile south of Colorado Highway 94, on the southern extension of Calhan Highway. At that point there is a road to the west. In the northeast corner of this intersection there is a small ranch but the buildings all seem of relatively recent construction. In the southwest corner there is an old concrete foundation.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

No individual document was found in the El Paso County Geographic Site Location Reports.	
Aug 13 1908	Established
Aug 13 1908	Groft, Elias
Jan 15 1909	Name changed to Wayne
Apr 22 1909	--- SW/4 Sec 17 T14S R61W 5 miles east of Squirrel Creek
	The sketch map places it 5 miles due south of Yoder and 1 mile south and 6 miles east of Ellicott

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1 LOWLAND, / COLO. Dec 23 1908  
CI 10P 31.5 4bars S-23x14mm



**LYTLE**

Lytle was a rural post office southwest of Colorado Springs and to the east of modern Colorado Highway 115. It appears that it replaced the earlier Turkey Creek Post Office which was nearby.

For many years Lytle was the only post office in the area between Colorado Springs and Penrose in Fremont County. As such it served a number of ranches and farms.

The Post Office Department Geographical Site Location Reports give two locations for the Lytle Post Office. Both of those locations are within the boundaries of the Fort Carson Military Reservation.

I believe that Jim Ozment and I did visit the original site of Lytle. We drove into the Fort Carson grounds at the entrance to the Turkey Creek Recreation Area. This is a park and sports facility for the military but there was no apparent restriction to access. The main building is the Penrose Center but although it has been there for some time, it almost surely postdates the Lytle Post Office.

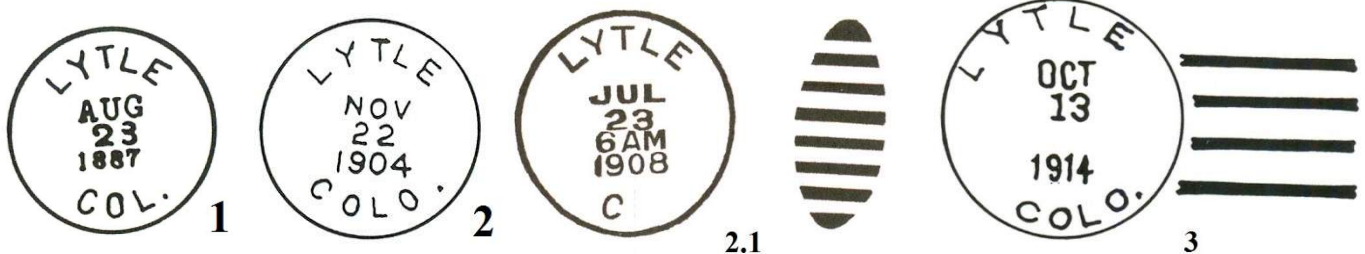
The second location of Lytle was about three miles southeast of the recreation area. That is deep within Fort Carson and there is no public access. It is most likely that any early buildings have been removed by the military.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Mar 16 1885 ---	SW/4 Sec 34 T16S R67W
Not dated ---	NE/4 Sec 24 T17S R67W 100 yards east of Turkey Creek A move 2 miles south of a previous location
	This report is filed under Elbert County
Aug 12 1885	Established
Aug 12 1885	Bixby, Lyman P.
May 21 1888	Conlogue, James P.
Jan 8 1914	Keen, Ernest B.
Aug 22 1916	Little, Pearl
Dec 24 1917	Stokes, Ida M.
Jan 20 1919	Stokes, Franklin L.
Mar 5 1920	Discontinued Mail to Colorado Springs

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	LYTLE / COL. CI 10P 27.0	Aug 8 1887 Nov 9 1896 Hstp Target, 4-ring 16 mm
2	LYTLE / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Nov 22 1904 Apr 24 1910 Hstp Cork, smudge; Target 4-ring 16mm
2.1	LYTLE / C CI 10P 29.0	July 23 1908 Dplx 8 bar oval
3	LYTLE / COLO. CI 10P 31.0	Oct 13 1914 Mar 25 1916 4bars S-25x20mm



**MAJORS**

Majors was a rural post office in the southeastern corner of El Paso County. Its short life is an indication that no organized community developed and that there was little need for a post office in the area.

The site of Majors is on Edison Road, eight miles south of Colorado Highway 94. Edison Road begins three miles east of Yoder and four miles west of Rush, both on Colorado 94. It is also fourteen miles north of the El-Paso-Pueblo County line.

The first and only postmaster at Majors was Benjamin F. Majors. Therefore, I assume the post office was named for him.

I visited the site in May 1997. Nothing was visible at the plotted location, however there was an old pond near the road, which might be an indicator of previous habitation.

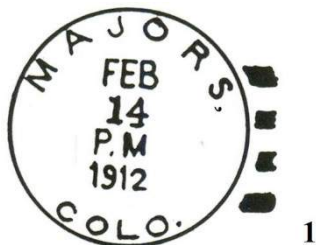
Although nothing remains of Majors, I did observe five, recently planted, double wide trailers in the immediate area. I am not sure why anyone would want to live way out here in the middle of nowhere. The landscape is barren of trees and it is a long way from any reasonable service center. Most likely low land prices were an enticement.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Feb 5 1911	---	SW/4 Sec 19 T15S R60W
May 22 1911		Established
May 27 1911		Majors, Benjamin F.
Nov 30 1912		Discontinued Mail to Yoder

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	MAJORS, / COLO.	Feb 14 1912
	CI 10P 31.0	4bars S-??x19mm

**MANITOU**

The history of Manitou is that of Manitou Springs. The settlement at the hot springs, west of Colorado Springs, was first called Villa La Font. The name was soon changed to Manitou and has alternated with Manitou Springs until officially becoming Manitou Springs in 1935.

Please refer to the discussion of Manitou Springs for a more detailed report.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Oct 3 1872	Established	
Oct 3 1872	Hawley, G. J.	
Dec 17 1874	Davis, Isaac	
May 25 1875	---	Not reported, but sketch map would seem to place it in Sec 5 T14S R67 (As later reported) 100 yards south of Fontaine Qui Bouille
Apr 25 1877	Backster, Mrs. Myra	
Jan 29 1878	Backster, Mrs. Myra	P&S
Feb 7 1879	Williams, Arthur B.	

**MANITOU – Continued**

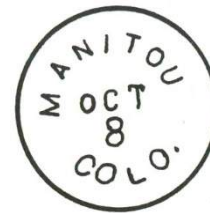
Feb 27 1883	Williams, Arthur B.	
Feb 2 1885	Name changed to Manitou Springs	
May 20 1892	Name changed from Manitou Springs	
Jul 23 1892	---	SE/4 SW/4 Sec 5 T14S R67W 12 feet south of Fontaine Qui Bouille
Feb 25 1890	Grafton, Homer H.	P&S
Mar 19 1894	Snyder, Homer B.	P&S
Oct 22 1897	Grafton, Homer H.	P
Jan 10 1898	Grafton, Homer H.	P&S
Jan 21 1902	Grafton, Homer H.	P&S
Jan 24 1906	Grafton, Homer H.	P&S
Jan 19 1910	Grafton, Homer H.	P&S
Jan 27 1914	Sanford, Thomas J.	P&S
Apr 1 1914	---	SW/4 Sec 5 T14S R67W 200 feet south of Fountain Creek
Sep 5 1918	Sanford, Thomas J.	P&S
Jun 1 1922	Lerbold, Charles E.	Acting
Jan 9 1923	Lerbold, Charles E.	Appointed
Mar 3 1923	Noble, Jesse W.	P&S
Feb 24 1927	Noble, Jesse W.	P&S
Feb 20 1931	Noble, Jesse W.	P&S
Nov 18 1933	Flake, Gus C.	Acting
Nov 30 1933	Flake, Gus C.	Assumed charge
May 23 1934	Flake, Gus C.	Nominated
May 31 1934	Flake, Gus C.	Confirmed
Jun 28 1934	Flake, Gus C.	Commissioned
Nov 18 1933	Flake, Gus C.	Acting
Nov 30 1933	Flake, Gus C.	Assumed charge
May 23 1934	Flake, Gus C.	Nominated
May 31 1934	Flake, Gus C.	Confirmed
Jun 28 1934	Flake, Gus C.	Commissioned
Dec 30 1935	---	Secs 4,5,6 T14S R67W Fountain Creek 150 feet north of post office
Jan 1 1936	Name changed to Manitou Springs	

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

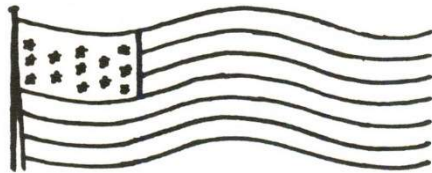
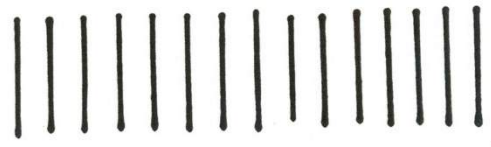
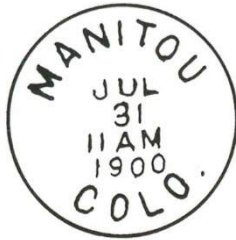
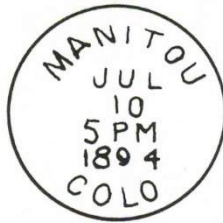
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1.B	Manitou Colo MS	Mscp Pen cancel	Jul 30 187-
2	MANITOU / COLO. CI 10P 26.5	Hstp Fancy, Cork, hand-cut negative outline star	May 15 1873 Apr 28 1882
3	MANITOU / COL. CI 10P 25.0	Hstp Fancy, Positive star in 18mm circle	May 20 1878 Sep 25, 1880
4	MANITOU / COLO. CI 10P 27.0	Hstp Fancy, Star in 20mm circle; Cork, Positive "W" grid, negative x-roads	Jun 22 1879 Aug 25 1883
4.1	MANITOU / COLO. CI 10P 27.	Hstp Fancy, 6-bar circle	Nov 15 1881 Nov 17 1881
5	MANITOU / COL. CI 10P 26.5	Hstp Cork, Hobnail grid, 6-bar circular grid	Oct 11 1883 Aug 1 1885
6	MANITOU / COLO. OC 10P 25.0	Hstp No killer, backstamp [NOT AVAILABLE FOR ILLUSTRATION]	Jul 15 1885
7	MANITOU / COLO. CI 10P 29.0	Hstp Cork, Smudge, Geometric pattern	Aug 18 1892 Aug 27 1892
7.1	Manitou, Colo. // RECEIVED. / H. H. GRAFTON. P.M. OV 11P 50.0/48x30.5/29.0	Hstp No killer	Aug 28 1899

MANITOU – Continued

8.1	MANITOU / COLO. CI 10P 28.5	Mar 19 1894 Apr 19 1896 Dplx Grid, oval with 1 and circle
8.2	MANITOU / COLO. CI 10P 28.5	Jun 9 1893 Aug 20 1893 Dplx Grid, oval with 2 and circle
8.3	MANITOU / COLO. CI 10P 28.5	Sep 26 1892 Jun 23 1898 Dplx Grid, oval with 3 and circle
9	MANITOU, COLO. / REGISTERED OC 10P 38.0x27.0	Dec 7 1896 Apr 3 1900 Hstp Cork, Smudge; Pen cancel
10	MANITOU / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Aug 12 1898 Jul 29 1900 Hstp Cork, Double grid, smudge
11	MANITOU / COLO. CI 10P 29.0	Mar 5 1900 Mar 14 1900 Dplx Grid, 9 bar oval
12	MANITOU / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Jul 21 1900 Jul 23 1901 Dplx Grid, 9 bar oval
13	MANITOU, COLO. CI 10P 27.0	Aug 15 1901 Dplx Grid, oval with 1 and circle
14	MANITOU, COLO. CI 10P 23.0	Aug 15 1902 Jun 22 1907 Drms Vertical bars
15	MANITOU, COLO. CI 10P 23.0	Aug 11 1908 May 9 1911 Mach Vertical bars
16	MANITOU, COLO. CI 10P 22.0	Jun 30 1911 Aug 8 1924 Flag 13 star waving flag
17	MANITOU, COLO. CI 10P 20.0	Sep 19 1925 May 22 1935 Mach 7 wavy lines
18	MANITOU / COLO. CI 10P 26.0	Dec 31 1935 Dec 31 1935 Dplx Grid, oval with 1 and circle [NOT AVAILABLE FOR ILLUSTRATION]



MANITOU – Continued



**MANITOU SPRINGS**

Manitou Springs was founded around a group of hot mineral springs near the entrance to the Canyon of Fountain Creek. The Cheyenne, Kiowa, Arapaho and Ute tribes were frequent visitors to the springs. The springs were believed to have healing properties and were considered neutral ground by the Native Americans. The hot springs are the source for the name Fountain Creek. French trappers labeled them "La Fontaine Qui Bouille" - The spring that boils.

The springs are six in number, named: Manitou, Navajo, Ute-Soda, Shoshone, Iron-Ute and Little Chief.

Development at the Manitou Springs began soon after settlement at Colorado Springs, a few miles to the east. Dr. William A. Bell and General William Palmer were instrumental in the early development. The Manitou House Hotel was built in 1872 and the village began to grow.

The initial name for the new settlement was Villa La Font. Dr. William A. Bell told the Village Improvement Society of Colorado Springs that Manitou Springs was first given the name La Font but "Finding that the name was not satisfactory and becoming better acquainted with the writings of Ruxton, we chose the name which he told us the Indians had given to the Spirit of the Spring - "Manitou." Others assert that English investor William Blackmore suggested the Algonquin word for spirit from one of his favorite poems, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's "Song of Hiawatha," which inspired many place names after its 1855 publication.

The Post Office Department also got into the act. At first the town was called Manitou but in 1885 the name was changed to the more descriptive Manitou Springs and in 1888 the town was incorporated under that name. However, in the 1890's the Department went through a period in which it attempted to simplify the names of post offices. Spellings were modernized and multi-word names were joined or shortened. Thus in 1892 Manitou Springs reverted to Manitou. That name change lasted until January 1, 1936. In 1935 the City Council had declared Manitou Springs to be the official name of the town.

Since its founding the economy of Manitou Springs has been largely based on being a resort and a tourist destination. There are several famous tourist attractions nearby and The Manitou and Pikes Peak Cog Railroad begins its ascent from Manitou Springs.

As so often happens the post office moved frequently, from the southwest corner of Manitou and Navajo, to Canon Avenue across from the Episcopal Church, then to 732 Manitou Avenue and on to 738 Manitou. In 1940 a new, impressive post office building was completed at 307 Canon Avenue, on the corner with Grand Avenue and across the street from the Cliff House Hotel.

Manitou Springs is the western edge of the greater Colorado Springs metropolitan area, on US Highway 24, the road to Ute Pass and into the South Park.

Latitude = 38:51:35 North Longitude = 104:55:00 West

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Feb 27 1885	Name changed from Manitou	
Feb 27 1883	Williams, Arthur B.	
May 6 1885	Green, Joseph H.	
Sep 29 1887	Green, Joseph H.	P
Oct 12 1887	---	NW/4 Sec 5 T14S R67W 10 feet south of Fontaine Qui Bouille
Feb 28 1888	Green, Joseph H.	P&S
Feb 25 1890	Grafton, Homer H.	
May 20 1892	Name changed to Manitou	
Feb 20 1931	Noble, Jesse W.	Appointed
Nov 30 1933	Flake, Gus C.	Acting
May 31 1934	Flake, Gus C.	Appointed
Jan 1 1936	Name changed from Manitou	

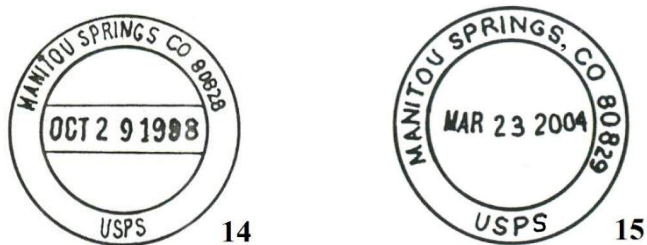
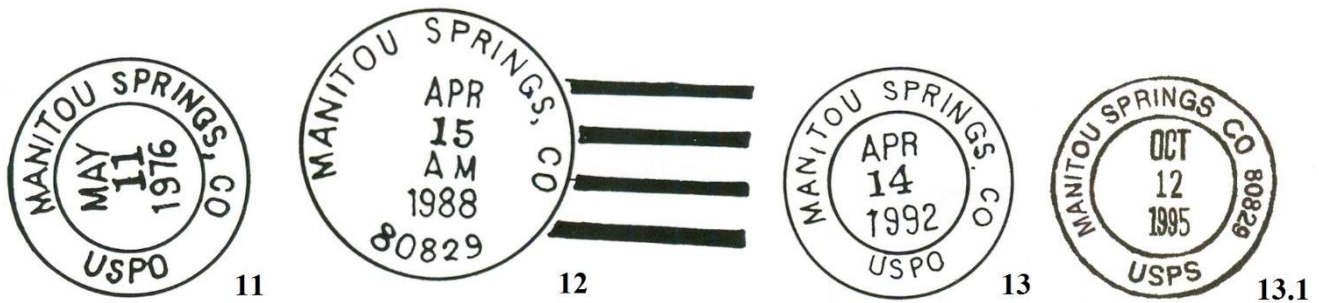
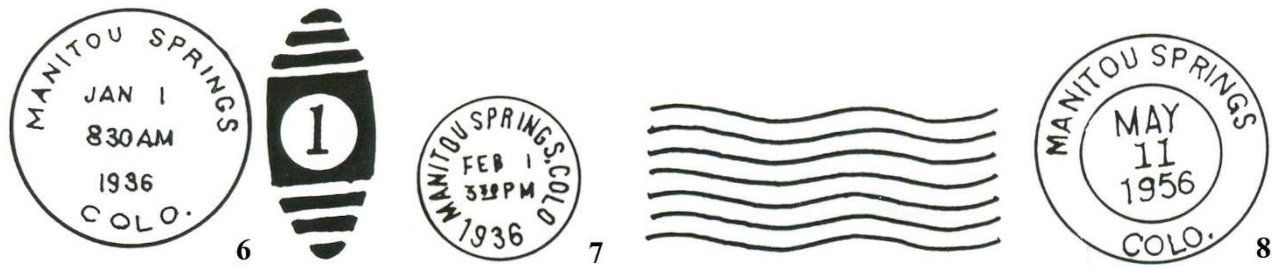
**MANITOU SPRINGS – Continued**

Apr 29 1938	Flake, Gus C.	Nominated
May 3 1938	Flake, Gus C.	Confirmed
May 28 1938	Flake, Gus C.	Commissioned
May 31 1938	Flake, Gus C.	Appointed Presidential
Apr 14 1941 ---	SW/4 Sec 5 T14S R67W A move 1100 feet west of previous location	
Nov 1 1941 ---	SW/4 Sec 5 T14S R67W Canon & Grand Streets Fountain Creek 200 feet south of Post Office	
Jul 23 1942	Flake, Gus C.	Nominated
Aug 25 1942	Flake, Gus C.	Confirmed
Aug 26 1942	Flake, Gus C.	Appointed Presidential
Sep 18 1942	Flake, Gus C.	Commissioned
Sep 30 1942	Flake, Gus C.	Assumed charge
Dec 2 1953	Price, George M.	Acting
Dec 12 1953	Price, George M.	Assumed charge
Jul 14 1954	Price, George M.	Nominated
Jul 31 1954	Price, George M.	Confirmed
Aug 2 1954	Price, George M.	Appointed Presidential & Commissioned
Oct 31 1954	Price, George M.	Assumed charge
Jul 18 1975	Nigg, Carroll J.	Officer in charge
Aug 30 1975	Dickey, Carl O.	Appointed

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	Manitou Springs, Colo. SL 00R 53.0x6.0	Aug 22 1885 Hstp Cork, Negative X-roads, manuscript date
2	MANITOU SPRINGS / COL. CI 10P 27.0	Jul 11 1883 Aug 16 1887 Hstp Cork, Negative X-roads, crude grid; Target, heavy 4-ring 21mm
3	MANITOU SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 27.0	Sep 22 1881 Sep 17 1890 Hstp Cork, Smudge, negative X-roads
4	MANITOU SPRINGS, COLO. /REC'D. CI 10P 28.0	Sep 11 1889 Hstp No killer, backstamp [NOT AVAILABLE FOR ILLUSTRATION]
5	MANITOU SPRINGS / COLO CI 10P 28.0	Apr 20 1891 Aug 6 1892 Dplx Grid, 6 vertical bar oval
6	MANITOU SPRINGS / COLO. CI 10P 31.0	Jan 1 1936 Jul 23 1967 Dplx Grid, oval with 1
7	MANITOU SPRINGS, COLO. CI 10P 21.0	Dec 17 1935 Oct 15 1965 Mach 7 wavy lines
8	MANITOU SPRINGS / COLO. CI 11P 30.0/19.0	May 11 1956 Hstp No killer
9	MANITOU SPRINGS / CO 80829 RC 10P 57.0x18.0	--- -- 196- Hstp No killer
10	MANITOU SPRINGS, CO 80829 CI 10P 21.0	May 23 1967 Feb 3 1976 Mach 7 wavy lines
11	MANITOU SPRINGS, CO / USPO CI 11P 31.0/19.0	May 11 1976 Jun 30 1976 Hstp No killer
12	MANITOU SPRINGS, CO / 80829 CI 10P 35.0	Apr 15 1988 Feb 14 1990 4bars S-26x21mm
13	MANITOU SPRINGS, CO / USPO CI 11P 29.0/19.0	Apr 14 1992 Hstp No killer
13.1	MANITOU SPRINGS CO 80829 / USPO CI 11P 30.0/20.0	Oct 12 1995 Hstp No killer
14	MANITOU SPRINGS CO 80829 / USPS CI 11P 30.0/20.0	Oct 29 1998 Jun 15 2001 Hstp No killer
15	MANITOU SPRINGS, CO 80829 / USPS CI 11P 30.5/22.5	Mar 23 2004 May 26 2004 Hstp No killer

MANITOU SPRINGS – Continued



MANITOU SPRINGS STATIONS

MANITOU SPRINGS & HALFWAY R. P. O. STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

Oct 9 1999 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

Confirmed types of postal markings

1 MANITOU SPRINGS, CO 80829 // (MANITOU SPRINGS & HALFWAY / TR 9 / RPO / STATION)

Oct 9 1999

CI 10P 34.0

Pict Grid, 6-bar oval with RMS



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MANITOU SPRINGS & SUMMIT R. P. O. STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

Jun 29 1991 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

Jul 22 1993 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

Confirmed types of postal markings

1.A MANITOU SPRINGS, COLO. 80829 // (MANITOU SPRINGS & SUMMIT / RPO / STATION)

Jun 29 1991 Jun 29 1991

CI 01R 33.0/27.0

Pict Scene - Cog engine; Text - Tr 16, MANITOU AND PIKES PEAK RAILWAY // 1891 / 1991 in oval grid

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Jun 29 1991 Jun 29 1991

CI 01R 33.0/27.0

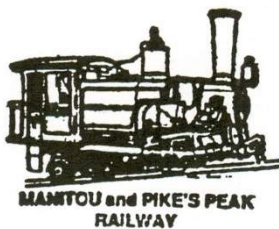
Pict Scene - Cog engine; Text - Tr 17, MANITOU AND PIKES PEAK RAILWAY // 1891 / 1991 in oval grid

2 MANITOU SPRINGS, COLO. 80829 // (MANITOU SPRINGS & SUMMIT / TR 14 / RPO / STATION)

Jul 22 1993

CI 01R 36.0/30.0

Pict Scene - RMS oval grid,

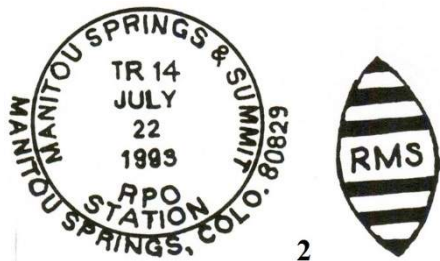


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## MANITOU SPRINGS STATIONS – Continued



## MANITOU SPRINGS - PIKES PEAK MARATHON AND ASCENT STATION

## Chronology of the Post Office

Aug 14 1998      Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

## Confirmed types of postal markings

1      MANITOU / SPRINGS / CO 80829 / PIKES PEAK MARATHON / AND ASCENT STATION

Aug 14 1998

SL 00R 49.0/40.0

No separate killer

MANITOU  
SPRINGS

CO 80829

AUG 14 1998

PIKES PEAK MARATHON  
AND ASCENT STATION      1

## McFERRAN

McFerran was located on the same portion of Jimmy Camp Creek that had been the site of the early trading post and rest stop known as Jimmy Camp. J. J. B. McFerran of Colorado Springs owned much of the land in the area and about 1884 he began development of coal deposits in the Jimmy Camp Valley. In 1886 McFerran sold his interests and the subsequent owners constructed a small town to house workers at the mine. The Chicago, Kansas, and Nebraska Railroad (Rock Island) built a spur line to the McFerran Mine. The branch line commenced near the site of Elsmere and crossed the trackage of the Denver and New Orleans Railroad (later known as the Colorado and Southern.)

As with Jimmy Camp there is no public access to the location (2001); an overview from Colorado Highway 94 does not offer any evidence of where the mine was located. Apparently there has been a good cleanup of any remaining debris.

## Chronology of the Post Office

Jan 2 1889      --      NW/4 Sec 15 T14S R65W 1/2 mile east of Jimmy Camp Creek 1500 feet north of the  
C.K. & N. Ry

Proposed postmaster - Lester P. Merriman

Jan 19 1889      Established

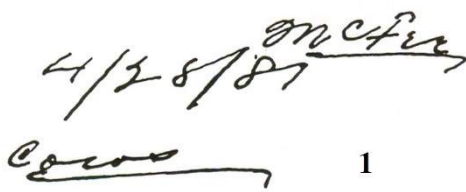
Jan 19 1889      Merriman, Lester P.

**McFERRAN – Continued**

Mar 19 1890            Patton, Albert L.  
Oct 11 1894            Porter, Frank L.  
Jul 30 1896            Moved to Newfield

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- |   |                                 |   |
|---|---------------------------------|---|
| 1 | McFer / Colo<br>MS              | Apr 28, 1881<br>Mscp No killer on stamp<br>[This marking raises several questions. It predates the post office by several years so it seems doubtful that it is a true postmark. There is also a high probability that it is not from McFerran] |
| 2 | McFARRAN / COLO.<br>CI 10P 28.0 | Feb 21 ? Jun 22 1893<br>Hstp Target   |



**MONUMENT**

The post office here opened in 1869 on the David McShane Ranch with the name of Monument. The name was selected for the towering rock formations west of the town. The location was also along Monument Creek.

On October 1, 1870 Henry Limbach made a first payment on 160 acres of land located partly in Section 5 and extending north into Sections 10 and 11. The tracts were patented to Maria Linder who was Henry's mother-in-law.

The site of the town was on land patented July 10, 1872 by Charles Adams. On March 4, 1872, before the date of the patent, Adams sold about 26 acres to Henry Limbach. On January 5, 1874, Charles Adams and Henry Limbach recorded a plat for the town of Monument. About 60 acres were included in the plat. For several years Henry Limbach operated a store and the post office. The town of Monument was incorporated in 1881.

The Rio Grande Railroad was built through here in 1871 and the railroad station was first called Henry's Station after Henry Limbach. At this early date there was a Monument Station further south on the railroad.

The arrival of the railroad there created confusion between the Monument Post Office and Monument Station. It was simpler for the railroad to change station names. Thus Henry's Station became Monument Station and the original Monument Station became Edgerton.

Monument is located on the southern slope of the east-west ridge that divides the watersheds of the Arkansas and South Platte Rivers. This ridge is commonly called Monument Divide by the Colorado Highway Department or Palmer Lake Divide by the railroads.

For many years Monument was a center for lumbering of the ponderosa pine forest on the divide and for ranching in the area north of Colorado Springs. During the late 1950's the construction of the United States Air Force Academy, a short distance south of Monument, changed the whole picture. Since the Academy opened in June of 1958 and with the completion of Interstate 25 between Denver and Colorado Springs, there has been an explosive growth of residential communities and commercial development throughout the length of the Monument Creek Valley.

## MONUMENT – Continued



**The new post office, Monument, Colorado**

Photograph by James L. Ozment

September 10, 2000

The growth of the area rapidly affected postal services. From 1869 to 1959 the post offices were located in stores or private homes.

On February 27, 1904, the Park Hotel and the post office burned. These buildings were on Front Street south of Second Street.

On April 9, 1920 the Monument Post office burned again. This was located on the south side of Second Street and west of Washington Street. It was a two-story frame building with living quarters upstairs and with a store and post office downstairs. Two elderly men, Dan Putnam and Bill Simpson, were burned to death in this fire. Rumors at the time were that one of the old men upset a coal oil lamp that started the fire.

1959 was the first time Monument had a separate post office building. This building was the first in Monument to be solely occupied by the Post Office, although on lease by the Post Office Department. It was dedicated April 24, 1960 with Lucille Lavelett as postmaster. By 1975 a new and larger building was being constructed on Front Street. In 1979 the post office was located in this moderate size brick building suitable for an average sized town. By 2000 the post office had moved again, into a new, very large building capable of providing for the needs of a large city. The previous building was being advertised as "available".

Monument is accessed from Interstate 25 at Exit 161; the post office is west of I- 25 and only a short distance from the exit.

Latitude = 39:05:30 North Longitude = 104:52:20 West

**MONUMENT – Continued  
Chronology of the Post Office**

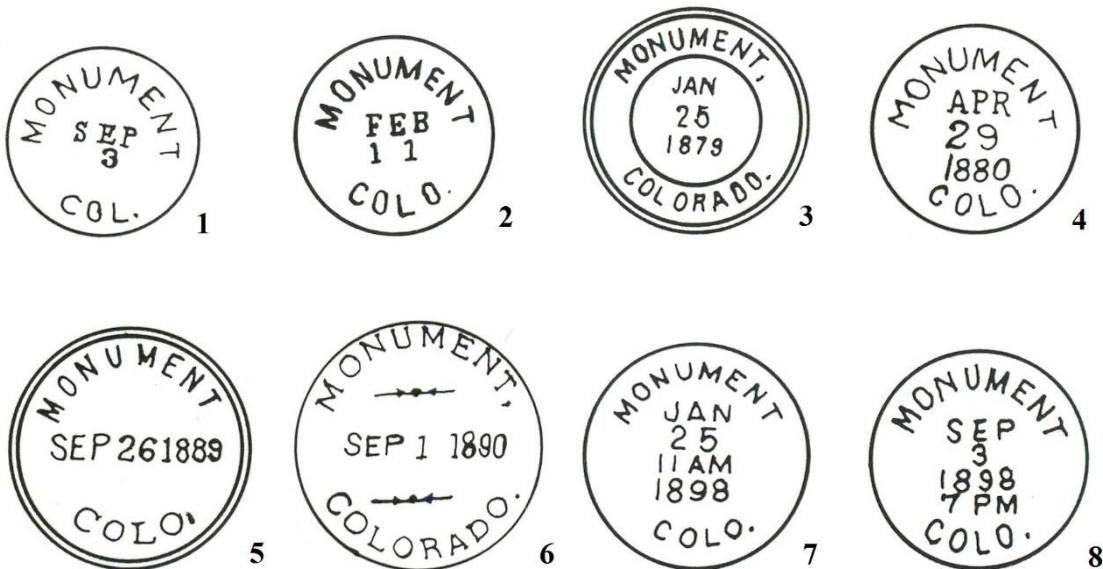
Apr 8 1869	Established	
Apr 8 1869	McShane, David	
Feb 21 1871 ---	NE/4 Sec 15 T11S R67W	1/4 mile east of Monument Creek
Mar 8 1871	Limbach, John Henry	
Apr 27 1879 ---	SE/4 Sec 15 T11S R67W	1/2 mile east of Monument Creek 500 feet east of the Denver & Rio Grande
Dec 13 1880	Holbrook, William E.	
Apr 16 1886	Younger, William	
Jun 12 1886	Younger, William M.	
Dec 30 1886	Duffy, John M.	
Jan 9 1891	Duffy, Catherine E.	
Sep 10 1896	Bell, Frances W.	
?	Bell, Mary S.	Acting
Dec 14 1910	Watts, Anna L.	
Feb 28 1914 ---	SW/4 Sec 15 T11S R67W	1/4 mile east of Monument Creek
Sep 18 1914	Betts, Ida	Confirmed
Oct 14 1914	Betts, Ida	Commissioned
Sep 29 1914	Betts, Ida	Assumed charge
Mar 24 1916 ---	SE/4 Sec 15 T11S R67W	1,520 feet east of Monument Creek 670 feet east of D&RG RR
Jan 10 1942 ---	Lots 9 & 10, Block 1, Section 15 T11S R67W (Second Street) Monument Creek and Reservoir about 1700 feet west of post office	
May 1 1942	Simpson, Mrs. Goldie	Assumed charge
May 12 1942	Simpson, Mrs. Goldie	Acting
Aug 7 1942	Hagedorn, Mrs. Lela	Appointed & Confirmed
Aug 21 1942	Hagedorn, Mrs. Lela	Commissioned
Sep 16 1942	Hagedorn, Mrs. Lela	Assumed charge
Jul 1 1945		Office made Presidential
Apr 28 1949	Carrothers, Wilber W.	Nominated
Jun 1 1949	Carrothers, Wilber W.	Confirmed
Jun 2 1949	Carrothers, Wilber W.	Appointed Presidential & Commissioned
Aug 15 1949	Carrothers, Wilber W.	Assumed charge
Mar 22 1957	Lavelett, Mrs. Lucille R.	Assumed charge
Mar 28 1957	Lavelett, Mrs. Lucille R.	Acting
Sep 21 1962	Simpson, Mrs. Goldie L.	Assumed charge
Sep 25 1962	Simpson, Mrs. Goldie L.	Acting
May 21 1965	Simpson, Mrs. Goldie L.	Confirmed
May 25 1965	Simpson, Mrs. Goldie L.	Appointed Presidential
Jun 4 1965	Simpson, Mrs. Goldie L.	Assumed charge
Jun 8 1965	Simpson, Mrs. Goldie L.	Commissioned
Dec 31 1974	Blickinstaff, Doris J.	Officer in charge
Apr 26 1975	Blickinstaff, Doris J.	Appointed
Sep 1 1978	Ulibarri, Mrs. Marilyn A.	Officer in charge
Jan 25 1979	Ross, LeOris R.	Officer in charge
Jul 26 1979	Bartling, Henry H.	Officer in charge
Sep 8 1979	Lechman, Bernard F.	Appointed

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

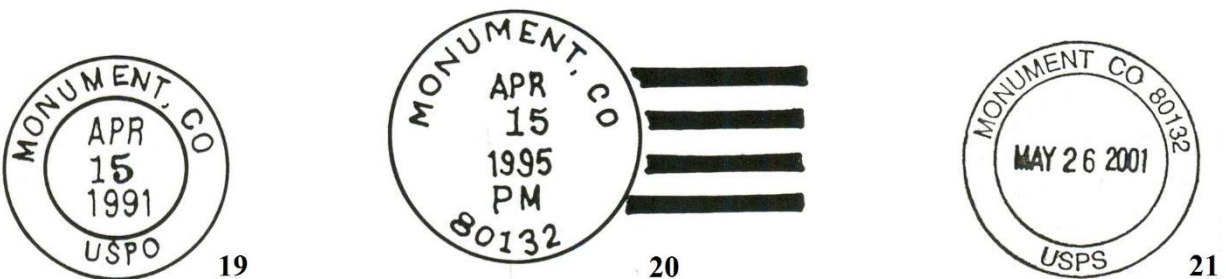
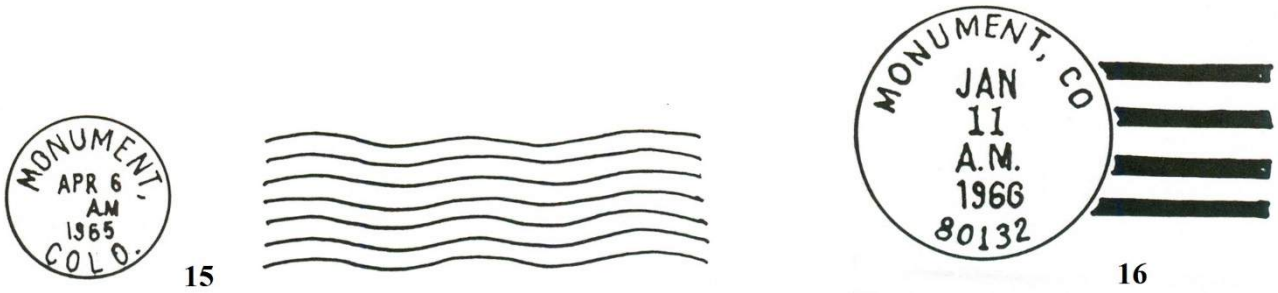
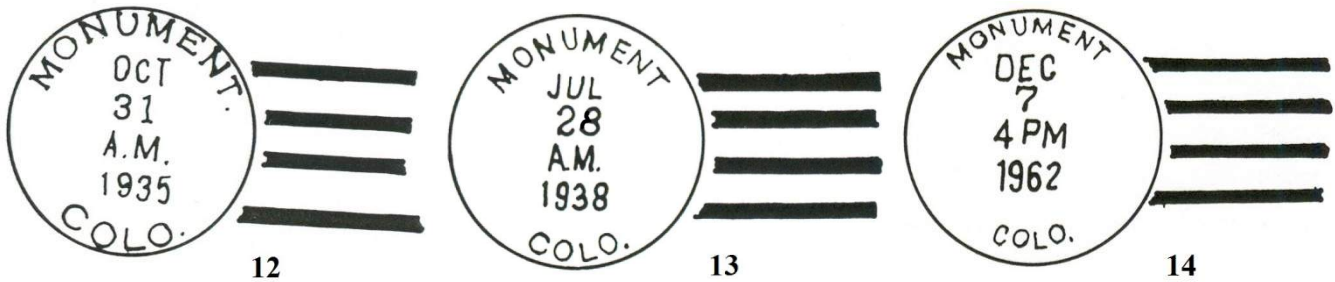
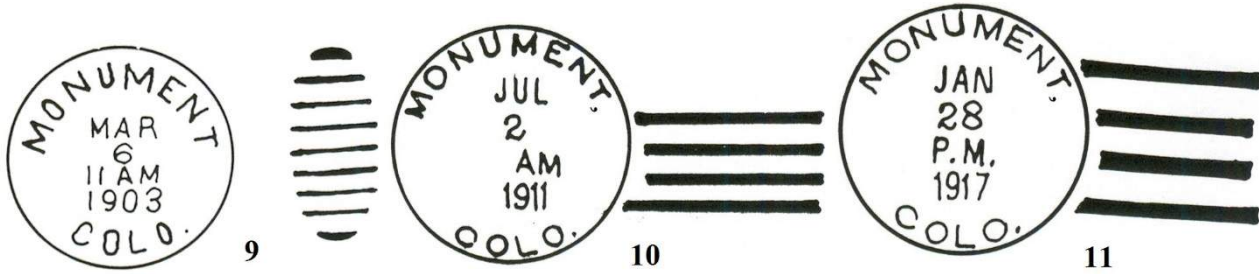
1	MONUMENT / COL. CI 10P 24.5	Hstp Target, 4-ring	Sep 3 187- Aug 24 1875
2	MONUMENT / COLO. CI 10P 26.0	Hstp Cork, smudge; Target, 4-ring	Feb 11 187- May 13 1878
3	MONUMENT, / COLORADO. CI 21P 29.0/27.0/18.0	Hstp Fancy, Outlined negative star on ruled background in circle	Jan 25 1879
4	MONUMENT / COLO. CI 10P 27.0	Hstp Cork, Negative X-roads, smudge	Apr 29 1880 Jun 2 1891

MONUMENT – Continued

5	MONUMENT / COLO. CI 20P 32.0/29.0	Hstp No killer	Aug 25 1887 Sep 26 1889
6	MONUMENT, / COLORADO. CI 10P 32.0	Hstp Not present	Sep 1 1890 Oct 8 1890
7	MONUMENT / COLO. CI 10P 28.5	Hstp Cork, Smudge	Sep 24 1895 Nov 17 1898
8	MONUMENT / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Hstp Cork, Negative X-roads	Sep 24 1895 Apr 27 1899
9	MONUMENT / COLO. CI 10P 29.5	Dplx Grid, 9 bar oval	Mar 11 1903 Feb 26 1904
10	MONUMENT, / COLO. CI 10P 30.5	4bars S-25x13mm	Jul 24 1911
11	MONUMENT, / COLO. CI 10P 32.5	4bars S-24x20mm	Jan 28 1917 Jan 22 1924
12	MONUMENT, / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-25x20mm	Dec 28 1931 Nov 1 1937
13	MONUMENT / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-23x19mm	Jul 28 1938 Dec 12 1960
14	MONUMENT / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-24x19mm	Dec 4 1962 Feb 14 1975
15	MONUMENT, / COLO. CI 10P 21.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	Apr 9 1964 Apr 6 1965
16	MONUMENT, CO / 80132 CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-24X20mm	Jan 11 1966 Aug 5 1976
17	MONUMENT, CO / 80132 CI 10P 21.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	Sep 6 1966 Mar 5 1976
18	MONUMENT, CO / 80132 CI 10P 35.0	4bars S-25x21mm	Apr 15 1988
19	MONUMENT, CO / USPO CI 11P 29.0/18.0	Hstp No killer	Apr 15 1991 Jun 1 1993
20	MONUMENT, CO / 80132 CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-25x19mm	Apr 15 1995
21	MONUMENT CO 80132 / USPS CI 11P 30.5/22.0	Hstp No killer	Nov 15 2000 May 26 2001



MONUMENT – Continued



**MOSBY**

Mosby was another of the rural post offices in east-central El Paso County. As with the other post offices that served this area, there is no evidence that there was any organized community.

From Colorado Highway 94, two miles west of Yoder, drive north on Calhan Highway five miles to Borenberg Road. The Site Location Report places Mosby in the northeast corner of the intersection. There is a fairly large ranch complex with a number of buildings of varying ages. There is some evidence that there may have been other buildings west of the line of trees and that may have been the actual site of Mosby.

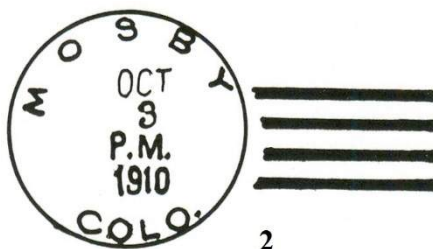
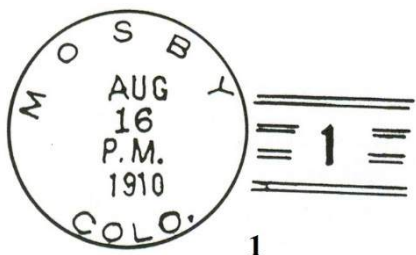
I have found no information as to the source of the name for this post office.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jan 14 1910 -- SW/4 Sec 17 T13S T61W  
Proposed postmaster - John Frederick Lyons  
Mar 24 1910 Established  
Mar 24 1910 Lyons, John F.  
Nov 30 1913 Discontinued Mail to Calhan

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- |   |                              |   |
|---|------------------------------|---|
| 1 | MOSBY / COLO.<br>CI 10P 31.0 | Aug 16 1910 Apr 12 1911<br>Doane Type 2 with 1, S-??x13mm |
| 2 | MOSBY / COLO.<br>CI 10P 31.0 | Oct 3 1910 Dec 25 1912<br>4bars S-24x14mm                 |



**MYERS**

I have found no information relative to the location or history of this place. There is no Post Office Department Geographic Site Location Report for Myers.

It is surprising that there is no information on this site as the Post Office Department records indicate the it was in operation for nearly three years

It is also possible that the location was somewhere in the newly opened Cripple Creek Mining District, which in 1891 was a part of El Paso County.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

No document found in El Paso Geographic Site Location Reports  
Aug 11 1891 Established Not listed in postal guides  
Aug 11 1891 Carr, Emma T.  
May 10 1894 Discontinued No papers sent

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM MYERS

## **NEWFIELD**

Newfield was another post office that existed briefly near the Franceville coal mines, east-southeast of Colorado Springs. The Newfield Post Office was the last to operate in the vicinity of the coal mines.

Some writers have claimed that Newfield was another name for McFerran. However, although the McFerran Post Office was moved to Newfield in 1896 the site of McFerran was more than three miles to the west-northwest of Newfield.

Follow the directions to Franceville that have been previously described. Continue on Franceville Coal Mine Road to approximately two and a half miles south of Colorado Highway 94. Newfield was somewhere not far west of the road. All buildings and mine structures have disappeared. There are some recent mobile homes scattered around the south end of Franceville Coal Mine Road.

### **Chronology of the Post Office**

<b>Jul 30 1896</b>	<b>Moved from McFerran</b>
<b>Jul 30 1896</b>	<b>Bickerton, John</b>
<b>Aug 19 1896</b> ---	<b>NE/4 Sec 30 T14S R64W</b> <b>The sketch map places this site about 1-1/2 miles east of Franceville Therefore, this was a move of location as well as a name change for the McFerran Post Office</b>
<b>Feb 26 1898</b>	<b>Harden, Roy</b>
<b>May 28 1898</b>	<b>Discontinued Papers to Franceville Junction</b>

### **Confirmed types of postal markings**

**NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM NEWFIELD**

## **O.Z.**

There is no question that O.Z. was a ranch post office in the northeastern corner of El Paso County and that in 1888 it was moved to the fledgling community of Ramah, about two miles to the northeast. At the time of the move, Julien Gammon was operating a small store, which moved with the post office to Ramah.

From there the questions begin to arise. Julien Gammon (not Julian) was the last postmaster at O. Z. and the first postmaster at Ramah but William S. Bates and Perry Hutchinson preceded him in that post. That raises a question as to whether the post office was on his ranch, as several historians have reported, or was it on a neighbor's ranch? R. A. McCray is also mentioned as a partner of Julian (sic) Gammon, but he did not serve as postmaster.

Another name that has been mentioned is O. Z. Guzman (or Gammon). If such a person did exist, his initials could have given rise to the name.

Again, most historians claim that O. Z. stood for Old Zounds, who is not further identified. The legend is that when Old Zounds applied for a post office he was too lazy to write his name, so simply gave his initials, which for some odd reason the Post office Department accepted as a name for the post office.

I tend to believe that the answer is in the Post Office Department Geographical Site Location Reports. Inexplicably, the report for O.Z. is filed with the Saguache County documents. Attached to the report is a note from the Post Office Department inquiring as to the origin of the proposed name. The response was short and to the point. "O. Z. is a cattle brand and is pronounced as if each letter was a vowel." Of course this does not preclude Mr. Guzman, or Gammon, having the nickname Old Zounds.

The site of O. Z. is at a large ranch complex a couple hundred yards north of US Highway 24 and on the south side of Big Sandy Creek. The ranch is about two miles southwest of Ramah and one mile southwest of the intersection of Blasingame Road, with U.S. 24. There are several old farm buildings and a new house.

**O. Z. – Continued**

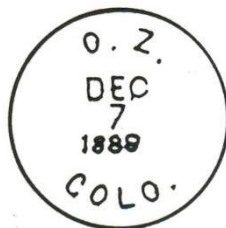
**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jan 9 1877 --- NE/4 SW/4 Sec 11 T11S R61W On the south side of Big Sandy Creek  
 NOTE: The following was found with the Saguache County Reports.  
 How did your P.O. and locality get the name of O.Z. What do these letters mean,  
 or stand for?  
 Answer: O Z is a cattle brand and is pronounced as if each letter was a vowel.  
 W. S. Bates PM

Jan 29 1877 Established  
 Jan 29 1877 Bates, William  
 Feb 26 1877 Bates, William S.  
 Oct 3 1879 Hutchinson, Perry  
 Dec 16 1879 Bates, William S.  
 Jul 11 1883 Gammon, Julien  
 Aug 8 1889 Moved to Ramah

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

0.1	O Z COLO		Apr 30 1880 Feb 13 1881
	MS Mscp Pen cancel	Mscp [SRM: Size approximate]	
1	O.Z. / COLO.		Dec 7 1888 Jun 25 1889
	CI 10P 28.0	Hstp Not present	



**PACIFIC**

I have found no information relative to the location or history of this place. There is no Post Office Department Geographic Site Location Report for Pacific.

The Post Office Department Records are inconclusive. A postmaster was appointed but there is no further entry. The absence of a date of discontinuance or rescinding the establishment may confirm that the post office was never established.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Mar 10 1880 Established No further entries Probably never operated  
 Not listed in postal guides

Mar 10 1880 Kesselring, Adam Jr. Disposition unknown

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM PACIFIC

**PALMER**

In March 1887 the Weissport Post Office was moved to a new location and took a new name – Palmer. After little more than a month the name was altered to Palmer Lake. For seven years the office operated under that name.

**PALMER. – Continued**

From 1894 to 1912 the name of Palmer Lake was altered to Palmer. This was one of the many changes in names instituted by the Post Office Department to shorten and standardize post office names throughout the country. Often these changes did not meet with approval from the affected residents and the name or spelling reverted to the original. Such was the case with Palmer Lake / Palmer. Please refer to Palmer Lake for discussion of the history and location of this community.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Mar 22 1887	Moved from Weissport
Mar 22 1887	Thomson, W. Finley
Apr 26 1887	Name changed to Palmer Lake
Sep 11 1894	Name changed from Palmer Lake
Sep 11 1894	Phillips, Mattie O.
Jun 3 1896	Wilson, Mrs. Harriet E.
Jan 25 1897	Young, Miss Grace
Jun 20 1898	Munger, John J.
Sep 30 1902	Neff, Mark W.
Oct 13 1905	Wilson, Fred
Jun 17 1912	Name changed to Palmer Lake

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

0.1	PALMER / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Aug 25 1902 Dplx Grid, 9 bar oval
1	PALMER / COLO. CI 10P 28.5	Jul 17 1897 Jul 17 1907 Dplx Grid, 9 bar oval; Cork, negative X-roads
1.1	PALMER, COLO. / REC'D. CI 10P 31.0	Jul 31 1907 Hstp No killer
2	PALMER, / COLO. CI 10P 31.0	Jul 24 1907 Sep 12 1912 4bars P-23x13mm



**PALMER LAKE**

The town of Palmer Lake has had several names. First, the Denver and Rio Grande gave its station there the name of Divide. It was an appropriate name as it was at the summit of the divide (altitude 7,238 feet) between the watersheds of the South Platte and Arkansas Rivers. The town is located on a small lake that was named Divide Lake, but sometimes referred to as Loch Katrine, which name may also have been applied to the community.

Kate Field, a noted lecturer christened the lake Palmero Lake in honor of General William J. Palmer, founder of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad. The name was soon altered to Palmer Lake.

In spite of all these names, the early post office on the divide was named Weissport for Camillus Albert Weiss, the first station agent for the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad at Divide.

**PALMER LAKE – Continued**

The prime mover for the development of Palmer Lake was Dr. W. Finley Thompson. He laid out the townsite. A plat was filed in 1888 and the town of Palmer Lake was incorporated on March 2, 1889. Dr. Thompson was the last postmaster of Weissport and the first postmaster of Palmer Lake. Although the name change took place in April 1887, it is quite possible that by that time the Weissport Post Office had already moved the short distance northwest from Weissport to Palmer Lake. Dr. Thompson built a lovely frame mansion, known as Estemere House, which is still standing.

From 1894 to 1912 the post office was Palmer. The community of Palmer Lake developed along several lines. It provided housing for workers on the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad. It became a destination for daily excursions from Denver and a popular spot for picnics on the shores of the lake. There were also summer homes for some of the more affluent citizens of Denver.

In recent years Palmer Lake has been swept up in the residential development that has expanded north along the Interstate 25 corridor from Colorado Springs and the nearby U. S. Air Force Academy.

Palmer Lake / Weissport can be reached via Colorado Highway 105 from Monument on Interstate 25. Colorado 105 continues north to Sedalia in Douglas County.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

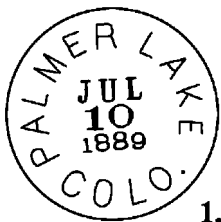
Apr 26 1887	Name changed from Palmer	
Apr 26 1887	Thompson, W. Finley	
Nov 29 1889	Campbell, Della K.	
Sep 11 1894	Name changed to Palmer	
Jun 17 1912	Name changed from Palmer	
Jun 17 1912	Wilcox, Fred	
Aug 29 1912 ---	SW/4 Sec 5 T11S R67W 1/4 mile west of D&RG track	
Nov 12 1913	Willis, Robert B.	
Apr 6 1914 ---	SW/4 Sec 5 T11S R67W	
May 27 1921	Alpine, John S.	
Sep 13 1924	Johnson, Dennett E.	Acting
Dec 27 1924	Johnson, Dennett E.	Appointed
Jan 6 1927	Houston, Daisy	Acting
Mar 5 1927	Houston, Daisy	Appointed & Confirmed
Mar 22 1927	Houston, Daisy	Commissioned
Oct 21 1941 ---	Not Reported	
Oct 1 1942	Meyers, Mrs. Evelyn	Assumed charge
Oct 14 1942	Meyers, Mrs. Evelyn	Acting
May 11 1943 ---	SW/4 Sec 5 T11S R67W 1/2 mile north of Monument Creek 1/2 mile west of the Denver & Rio Grande RR A move 300 feet west of a previous location	
May 13 1943	Meyers, Mrs. Evelyn	Confirmed
May 25 1943	Meyers, Mrs. Evelyn	Commissioned
Jun 14 1943	Meyers, Mrs. Evelyn	Assumed charge
Jul 1 1945		Office made Presidential
Jul 17 1945	Meyers, Mrs. Evelyn	Nominated
Jul 28 1945	Meyers, Mrs. Evelyn	Confirmed
Jul 30 1945	Meyers, Mrs. Evelyn	Apptd Presid., Commissioned & Assumed charge
Jun 28 1948 ---	SE/4 Sec 5 T11S R67W One city block east of previous location	
Mar 31 1952	Bradley, Mrs. Reba	Acting
Feb 4 1954	Bradley, Mrs. Reba	Nominated
Mar 1 1954	Bradley, Mrs. Reba	Appointed Presidential & Commissioned
Jun 30 1954	Bradley, Mrs. Reba	Assumed charge
Oct 31 1967	Havens, Leslie F.	Acting
Oct 10 1969	Krueger, Mrs. Elaine	Officer in charge
Apr 17 1971	Krueger, Frances Elaine	Appointed
Apr 17 1971	Krueger, Frances Elaine	Assumed charge
Feb 4 1981	Ingram, Gary O.	Officer in charge

**PALMER LAKE – Continued  
Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	PALMER LAKE, / COLO. CI 21P 30.0/28.0/18.0	Hstp No killer, backstamp	Apr 4 1888 Apr 8 1888
1.1	PALMER LAKE / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Hstp Target, 4-ring	Jul 10 1889
2	PALMER LAKE, / COLO. CI 10P 28.5	Hstp Target, 4-ring, 16mm	Nov 20 1890
3	PALMER LAKE / COLORADO CI 10P 32.0	Hstp No killer	Aug 27 1891 Jul 16 1893
4	PALMER LAKE / COLO. CI 10P 28.5	Hstp Cork, Smudge	Jul 10 1894 Jul 20 1894
5	PALMER LAKE / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Hstp Cork, Smudge	May 6 1895
6	PALMER LAKE, / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-24x20mm	Mar 12 1913 Aug 8 1916
7	PALMER LAKE, / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-24x20mm	Jan 29 1935 Dec 30 1938
8	PALMER LAKE / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-25x20mm	Feb 6 1939 Dec 21 1948
9	PALMER LAKE, / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-22x18mm	Aug 3 1951 Mar 30 1960
10	PALMER LAKE, / COLO. CI 10P 23.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	Oct 16 1962 Apr 18 1966
11	PALMER LAKE, CO / 80133 CI 10P 23.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	Oct 27 1966 Apr 16 1976
12	PALMER LAKE, CO / 80133 CI 10P 31.0	4bars S-24x18mm	Nov 5 1971 Apr 14 1987
13	PALMER LAKE, CO / 80133-9998 CI 10P 30.0	4bars S-23x17mm	Apr 15 1989
13.1	PALMER LAKE, CO 80133 / USPS CI 11P 27.0/19.0	Hstp No Killer	Apr 4 1992
14	PALMER LAKE, CO 80133-9998 /USPS CI 10P 31.0	4bars S-24x16mm	Apr 15 1993
15	PALMER LAKE, CO 80133 / USPS CI 11P 29.0/19.0	Hstp No killer	Apr 20 1993



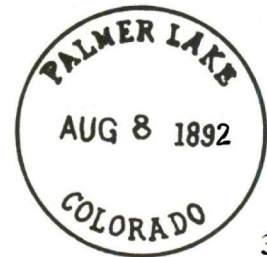
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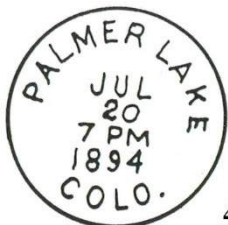
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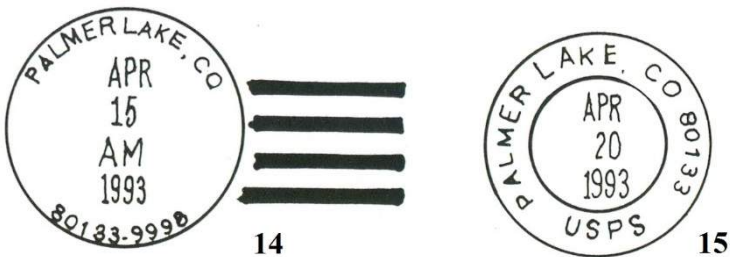
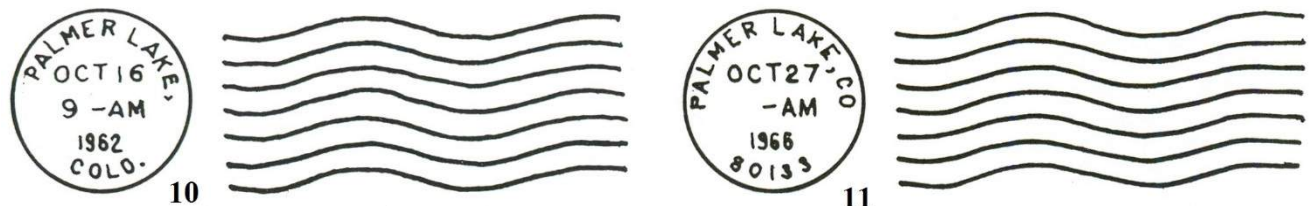


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PALMER LAKE – Continued



AUXILIARY MARKINGS

A01 palmer lake ## DENVER, CO // MOBILE / POST OFFICE Apr 21 1996  
 CI 11P 44.0/36.0 Hstp No killer. Rim is a time clock. Used as an emergency office at Palmer Lake



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**PALMER LAKE STATIONS**

**PALMER LAKE - CENTENNIAL STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Sep 2 1989      Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 1      PALMER LAKE, CO / 80133-9998 :: CENTENNIAL STATION      Sep 2 1989  
         CI 10P 29.0      Pict Scene - Columbine with bars; 1889 1999



**PALMER LAKE - RAILROAD HERITAGE STATION**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Aug 27 1999      Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- 1      PALMER LAKE, CO 80133 // Railroad Heritage Station      Aug 27 1999  
         IR 00R 75.0x48.0      Pict Scene - Steam locomotive and water tower



**PEYTON**

The settlement that became Peyton was first known as Mayfield. When an application was submitted for a post office, the name Mayfield was rejected because of potential confusion with Mayfield, California (Santa Clara County). The choice of the name Peyton was to honor George Peyton, one of the original settlers at the location.

The request for a post office and the change in name took place when the Chicago, Kansas, and Nebraska Railroad arrived in 1888. The town of Peyton was platted in 1889.

**PEYTON – Continued**

As a community on the railroad, Peyton became one of the supply points for the surrounding ranch country and a shipping point for livestock. Today, Peyton is a modest community with some small businesses.

Located on US Highway 24 Peyton provides some roadside services to traffic on the highway between Limon and Colorado Springs. Peyton is seven miles northeast of Falcon and ten miles west of Calhan.

Latitude = 39:01:44 North Longitude = 104:28:57 West



**This building in Peyton, Colorado was formerly the location of the post office.**  
 Photograph by William H. Bauer October 13, 1997

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Dec 24 1888	---	SE/4 Sec 6 T12S R63W North side of CRI&P, less than 80 rods	
		Proposed postmaster - Charles G. McGhee	
Feb 14 1889		Established	
Feb 14 1889		McGhee, Charles L.	
Apr 9 1892		McDermott, James	
Dec 1 1897		Wise, Edgar	
Aug 9 1900		Dickinson, Junius M.	
Dec 9 1912	---	SE/4 Sec 6 T12S R63W 323 feet north of the Rock Island RR	
Mar 25 1914	---	SE/4 Sec 6 T12S R63W 324 feet northwest of the CRI&P RR	
Jan 21 1915		Zimmerman, Joseph C.	
Nov 14 1922		Dickinson, Roay A.	
Aug 30 1927		Spear, Amos A.	Acting
Jan 10 1928		Spear, Amos A.	Appointed

**PEYTON – Continued**

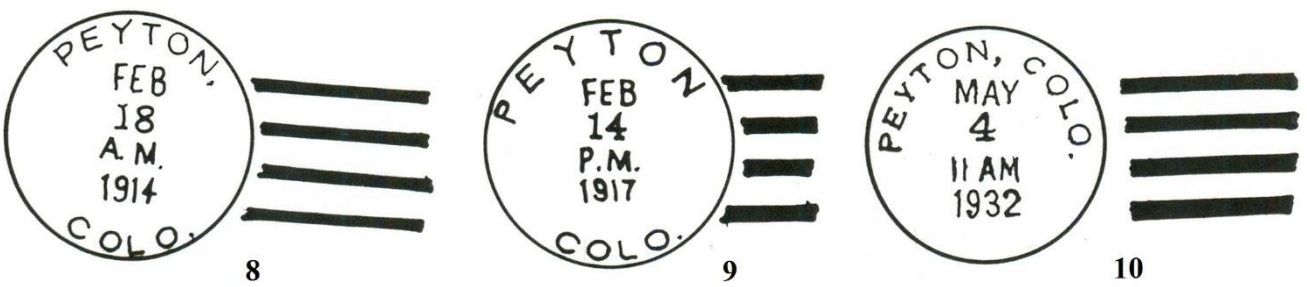
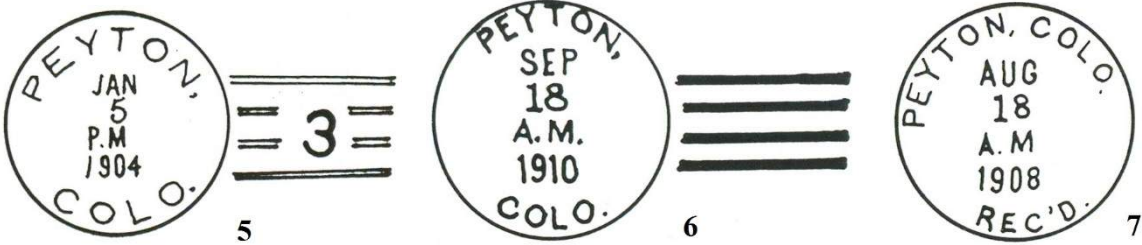
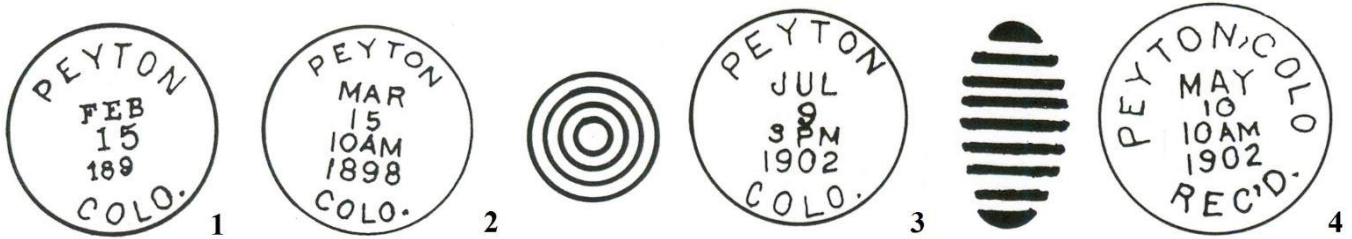
Jul 8 1929	Sayles, Grace W.	Acting
Nov 12 1929	Sayles, Grace W.	Appointed & Confirmed
Dec 4 1929	Sayles, Grace W.	Commissioned
Aug 22 1933	Burroughs, Dennis A.	Assumed charge
Aug 31 1933	Burroughs, Dennis A.	Acting
Dec 14 1933	Burroughs, Dennis A.	Confirmed
Jan 2 1933	Burroughs, Dennis A.	Commissioned
Oct 31 1941 ---	SE/4 Sec 6 T12S R63W Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific is 380 feet south of post office	
Jan 6 1942	Lenhoff, Mrs. Alice K.	Acting & Assumed charge
Jul 18 1942	Zaabel, Roy H.	Confirmed
Jul 29 1942	Zaabel, Roy H.	Commissioned
Aug 4 1942	Zaabel, Roy H.	Assumed charge
Jan 31 1947	Duncan, Mrs. Irma G.	Acting
Mar 5 1948	Duncan, Mrs. Irma G.	Appointed
May 18 1948	Duncan, Mrs. Irma G.	Commissioned
May 31 1948	Duncan, Mrs. Irma G.	Assumed charge
Jul 27 1956	Lough, John C.	Acting & Assumed charge
Aug 22 1956	Lough, John C.	Acting
Feb 7 1957	Davis, Joseph P.	Nominated
Apr 8 1957	Davis, Joseph P.	Confirmed, Apptd Presid. & Commissioned
May 31 1957	Davis, Joseph P.	Assumed charge

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

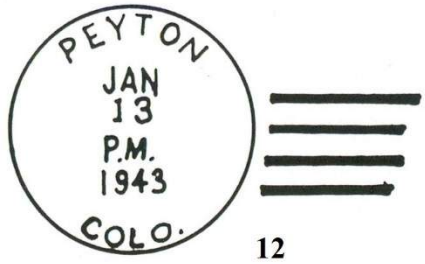
1	PEYTON / COLO. CI 10P 27.0	Hstp Not present	Feb 15 189-
2	PEYTON / COLO. CI 10P 27.5	Hstp Target, 4-ring	Mar 9 1898 Sep 2 1899 18mm
3	PEYTON / COLO. CI 10P 28.5	Dplx Grid, 9 bar oval	Nov 2 1900 Feb 26 1903
4	PEYTON, COLO. / REC'D. CI 10P 30.0	Hstp No killer	May 10 1902 Aug 13 1902
5	PEYTON, / COLO. CI 10P 29.0	Doane Type 2, with 3;	Jan 5 1904 Jul 26 1907 P-23x13mm
6	PEYTON, / COLO. CI 10P 31.5	4bars S-24x13mm	Jan 2 1908 Sep 18 1910
7	PEYTON, COLO. / REC'D. CI 10P 31.0	Hstp No killer	Jun 13 1908 Aug 18 1908
8	PEYTON, / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-25x20mm	Sep 11 1913 Aug 20 1914
9	PEYTON / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-25x20mm	Feb 14 1917 Aug 18 1917
10	PEYTON, COLO. CI 10P 31.0	4bars P-26x20mm	May 4 1932 Sep 16 1941
11	PEYTON / COLO. CI 11P 29.0/19.0	Hstp No killer	Apr 10 1943 Jul 22 1947
11.1	peyton colo. RC 10P 74.0x23.0	Hstp RETURN TO WRITER...	Jan 5 1945 Jul 22 1947
12	PEYTON / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-24x18mm	Jan 13 1943 Dec 4 1953
12.1	PEYTON / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-24x19mm	May 20 1958 Apr 4 1959
13	PEYTON / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-24x19mm	Nov 5 1959 Nov 21 1962
14	PEYTON, CO / 80831 CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-24x20mm	Sep 5 1969 Nov 18 1971

PEYTON – Continued

15	PEYTON, CO / 80831 CI 10P 23.0	mach 7 wavy lines	Jan 4 1967 Jul 3 1967
15.1	PEYTON, CO / USPO CI 11P 27.0/17.0	Hstp No Killer	Sep 18 1975
16	PEYTON, CO / 80831 CI 10P 36.0	4bars S-25x22mm	Feb 17 1976 Aug 14 1976
17	PEYTON, CO / 80831 CI 10P 31.0	4bars S-24x18mm	Jun 4 1986 Feb 14 1989
18	PEYTON, CO / 80831 CI 10P 33.0	Hstp No killer	Feb 14 1989
19	PEYTON, CO / 80831 CI 10P 34.0	4bars S-22x16mm	Apr 15 1993 May 29 1993
20	PEYTON CO 80831 / USPS CI 10P 35.0	4bars S-14x25mm	Sep 26 2001



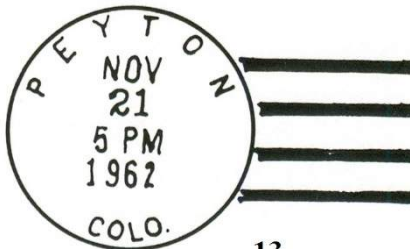
RETURN TO WRITER  
REASON FOR NON-DELIVERY CHECKED  
Unclaimed..... Unknown.....  
..... For Better Address.....  
Moved, Left no address..... Refused.....  
No such post office in state named.....



**PEYTON – Continued**



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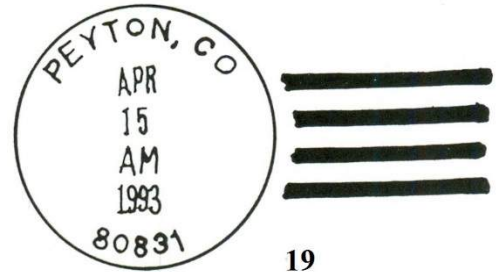
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**PEYTON - FALCON STATION**

Established as a Station of Colorado Springs it appears that about 1987 the status was changed to a Community Post Office of Peyton. The precise date of the change is not available.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

- Established as a Station of Colorado Springs
- Became a Community Post Office of Peyton

**PEYTON - FALCON STATION – Continued**

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

- |   |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| 1 | PEYTON, CO / 80831 (Falcon CPO)<br>CI 10P 34.5   | Jul 30 1987<br>4bars S-24x20mm, Only the Peyton, CO device was available on this date |
| 2 | PEYTON, CO FALCON CPO / USPS<br>CI 11P 28.0/18.0 | Apr 15 1992<br>Hstp No killer   |



**PIKEVIEW**

Pikeview was located about six miles north of Colorado Springs and was adjacent to the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad. The development of this community resulted from the need for housing for miners working in the nearby Pike View Coal Mine. The coal was lignite and was shipped from Pikeview via the railroad. The Pikes Peak Fuel Company, owned by the Golden Cycle Corporation operated the mine. There was also a brick works at Pikeview.

The name Pikeview was chosen because the area offers a grand view of Pikes Peak to the west.

Pikeview was growing as activity at Edgerton, a short distance to the north, was declining. A Post Office Department Geographic Site Location Report, dated August 8, 1901 is for a post office at the site of Pikeview. However, the Pikeview Post Office did not officially open until August 28, 1902. Thus, it appears that at some time, perhaps in June 1901 when Alfred R. Towles became the postmaster for Edgerton, the Edgerton Post Office was moved to Pikeview. Mr. Towles was the first postmaster for Pikeview.

The exit from Interstate 25 to Pikeview is at Rockrimmon Road. Pikeview was on the western side of I-25 and north of Rockrimmon Road. The area along the frontage road is now one of commercial and light industrial development.

Latitude = 38:54:55 North Longitude = 104:49:18 West

**Chronology of the Post Office**

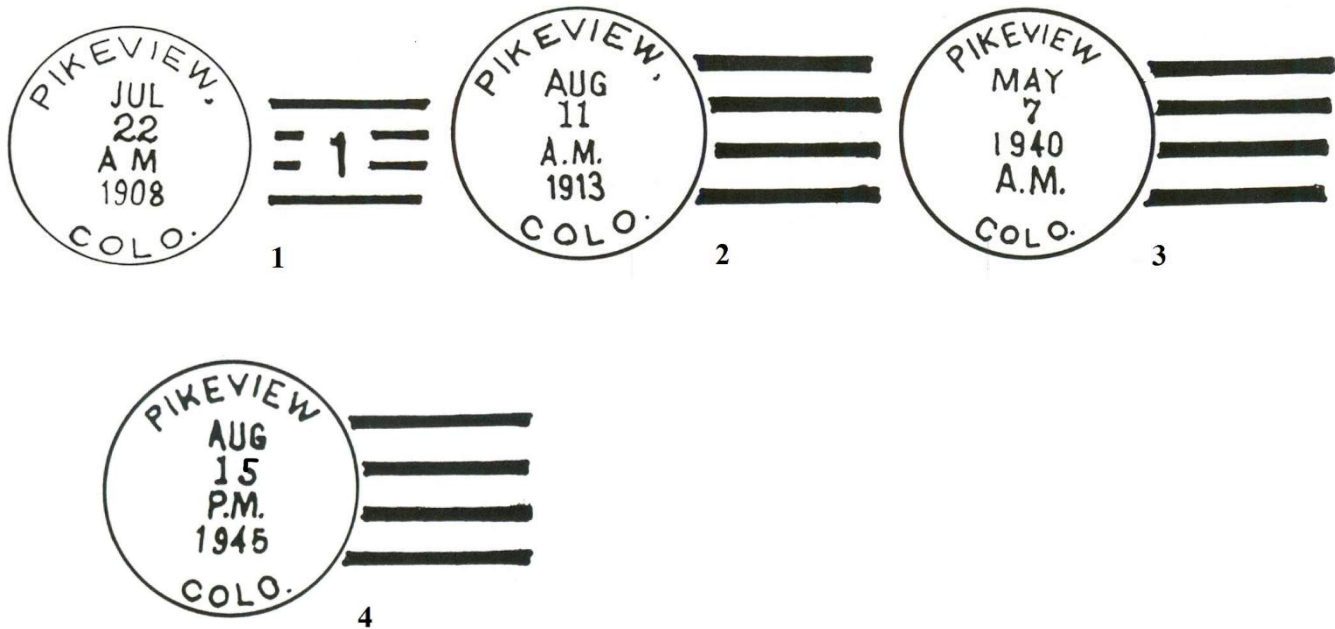
- |             |     |   |                       |
|-------------|-----|---|-----------------------|
| Aug 8 1901  | --- | SE/4 Sec 18 T13S R66W 1/2 mile west of the AT&SF RR 1/8 mile west of Monument Creek                         |                       |
| Aug 28 1902 |     | Moved from Edgerton   |                       |
| Aug 28 1902 |     | Towles, Alfred R.   |                       |
| Mar 13 1905 |     | Aitken, Richard M.  |                       |
| Nov 8 1905  |     | Kelley, Andrew J.   |                       |
| Mar 5 1914  | --- | SE/4 Sec 18 T13S R66W 245 feet east of the D&RG 700 feet west of Monument Creek                             |                       |
| Mar 18 1920 |     | Hamilton, Harry T.  |                       |
| Aug 11 1921 |     | Greening, William A.  | Acting                |
| Mar 21 1922 |     | Greening, William A.  | Appointed & Confirmed |
| Oct 23 1941 | --- | SE/4 Sec 18 T13S R66W D&RG RR 100 yards west of post office<br>Monument Creek 100 yards east of post office |                       |
| Feb 3 1943  |     | Greening, Mrs. Ellen R.   | Assumed charge        |
| Feb 13 1943 |     | Greening, Mrs. Ellen R.   | Acting                |
| Apr 22 1943 |     | Greening, Mrs. Ellen R.   | Confirmed             |

**PIKEVIEW – Continued**

May 7 1943	Greening, Mrs. Ellen R.	Commissioned
Mar 11 1945	Streenan, William K.	Assumed charge
Mar 8 1946	Streenan, William K.	Confirmed
Apr 16 1946	Streenan, William K.	Commissioned
Jun 30 1951	Ireton, Henry Jay	Assumed charge
Jul 12 1951	Ireton, Henry Jay	Acting
Dec 6 1951	Ireton, Henry Jay	Confirmed
Jan 21 1952	Ireton, Henry Jay	Commissioned
Oct 31 1953	Latham, Mrs. Eva V.	Assumed charge
Dec 17 1953	Latham, Mrs. Eva V.	Acting
Nov 29 1954	Busch, Mrs. Margaret H.	Confirmed
Dec 23 1954	Busch, Mrs. Margaret H.	Commissioned
Jan 15 1955	Busch, Mrs. Margaret H.	Assumed charge
Jul 31 1957	Discontinued	

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	PIKEVIEW, / COLO. CI 10P 31.0	Doane Type 3, with 1; S-20x14mm	Dec 22 1906 Aug 10 1911
2	PIKEVIEW, / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-25x20mm	Sep 13 1912 Apr 6 1915
3	PIKEVIEW / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-23x19mm	Nov 2 1937 Feb 2 1943
4	PIKEVIEW / COLO. CI 10P 33.5	4bars S-24x19mm	Aug 15 1945 Mar 7 1957



**RAMAH**

Ramah is the easternmost town in El Paso County that was established in 1888 when the Chicago, Kansas, and Nebraska Railroad entered the county on the way from Limon to Colorado Springs. In 1891 the railroad was absorbed into the Chicago, Rock Island, and Pacific Railroad.

The El Paso Land and Water Company of Colorado Springs platted a town and named it Ramah. The town plat was filed on December 12, 1888 and Ramah was incorporated July 18, 1897.

**RAMAH – Continued**

In 1889 Julien Gannon postmaster at nearby O. Z. realized that Ramah would become the trading center for the surrounding area and he moved his small store and post office to Ramah.

There is some controversy about the source of the name. Most sources attribute the choice to a wife of one of the railroad officials. It either came from the Bible or from a book that she was reading. In the Bible, Ramah is one of the cities of the allotment of Benjamin. It is said to mean hill. Another opinion is that The El Paso Land and Water Company chose it from an unrecorded source.

Ramah was and is an active agriculture based community. It provided supplies and services to surrounding ranches and farms and was a shipping point for livestock via the Rock Island Railroad. The railroad is no more but Ramah is home to many people and provides some services for residents, ranchers and travelers on US Highway 24.

Ramah is located in the extreme northeast corner of the county, only a short distance south of the El Paso-Elbert County line and seven miles northeast of Calhan.

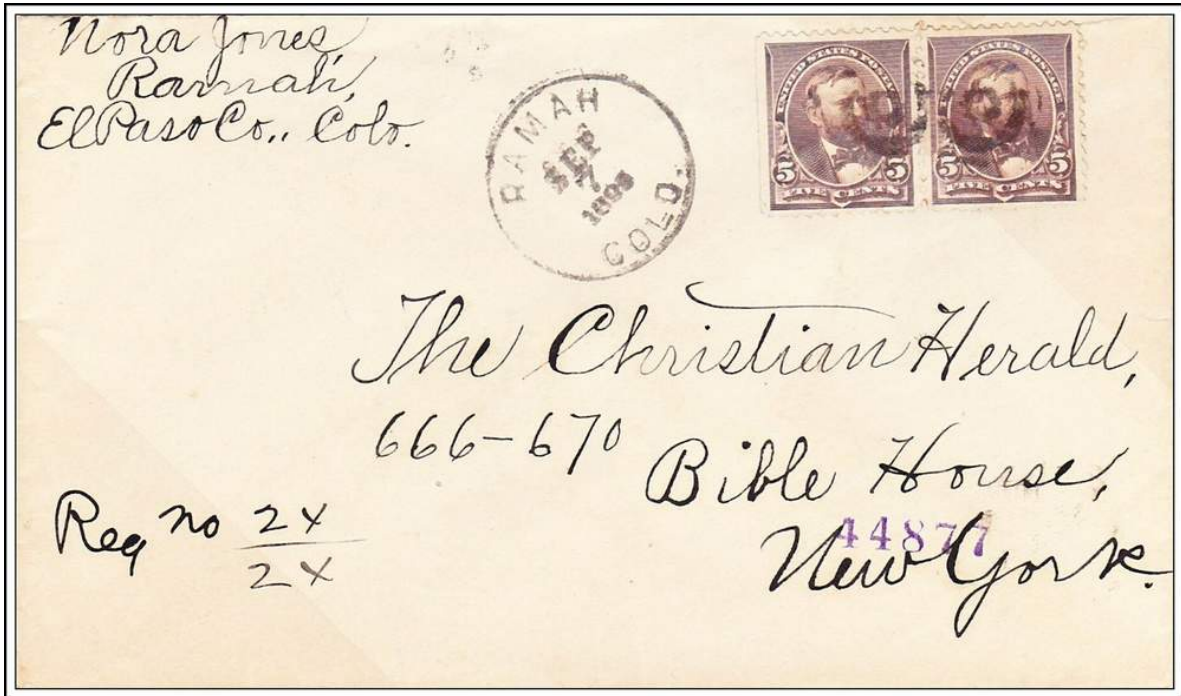
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**Chronology of the Post Office**

Dec 8 1888	---	NE/4 Sec 1 T11S R60W 1/4 mile east of Big Sandy Creek	A move From: SW/4 Sec 11 T11S R61W To: NE/4 Sec 1 T11S R60W
Aug 8 1889		Moved from O.Z.	
Aug 8 1889		Gammon, Julien	
Dec 18 1890		Gammon, Samuel	
Mar 22 1898	---	NE/4 Sec 1 T11S R60W	407 feet southeast of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific
May 27 1901		Rinker, Elizabeth E.	
Oct 10 1903		Lavender, John H.	
May 21 1904		Hobart, Chester E.	
Jul 7 1904		Moorhead, Edward S.	
Feb 8 1905		Wood, Harry L.	
Feb 28 1914	---	NE/4 Sec 1 T11S R60W	200 feet north of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific
Jan 21 1915		Grisso, George A.	
May 29 1916		Dazey, Roy C.	
Apr 1 1921			Office made Presidential
Jan 4 1923		Wood, Ira R.	
Jul 1 1923			Office relegated
Sep 8 1923		Wood, Ira R.	
Oct 1 1924			Office made Presidential
Dec 12 1924		Wood, Ira R.	
Dec 13 1928		Wood, Ira R.	
Jul 1 1933			Office relegated
Sep 11 1933		Gammon, Harry A.	Confirmed
Oct 24 1933		Gammon, Harry A.	Commissioned
Oct 31 1933		Gammon, Harry A.	Assumed charge
Jan 26 1934	---	N/2 of SE/4, S/2 of NE/4 Sec 1 T11S R60W	335 feet south of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific
Aug 6 1937	---	NE/4 Sec 1 T11S R60W	New site, 150 feet northeast of a previous location Chicago, Rock Island, & Pacific 500 feet west of post office
Oct 20 1941	---	NE/4 Sec 1 T11S R60W (On Second St.)	
Mar 1 1944		Simmons, Mrs. Mary E.	Assumed charge
Mar 10 1944		Simmons, Mrs. Mary E.	Acting
Aug 29 1944		Morris, Mrs. Nora E.	Assumed charge
Jun 4 1945		Kloster, William	Appointed & Confirmed
Jun 28 1945		Kloster, William	Commissioned
Jul 1 1945			Office made Presidential
Jul 12 1945		Kloster, William	Assumed charge

**RAMAH – Continued**

Dec 5 1945	Kloster, William	Nominated
Dec 20 1945	Kloster, William	Confirmed
Dec 21 1945	Kloster, William	Appointed Presidential & Commissioned
Dec 31 1945	Kloster, William	Assumed charge
Sep 27 1947 ---	Not reported	A move 650 feet northwest of a previous location.
Jul 31 1960	Hendricks, Phyllis E.	Assumed charge
Aug 1 1960	Hendricks, Phyllis E.	Acting
Oct 13 1961	Morris, Vernon L.	Assumed charge
Oct 17 1961	Morris, Vernon L.	Acting
Apr 25 1963	Morris, Vernon L.	Confirmed, Apptd Presid. & Commissioned
May 24 1963	Morris, Vernon L.	Assumed charge



**RAMAH / COLO.**

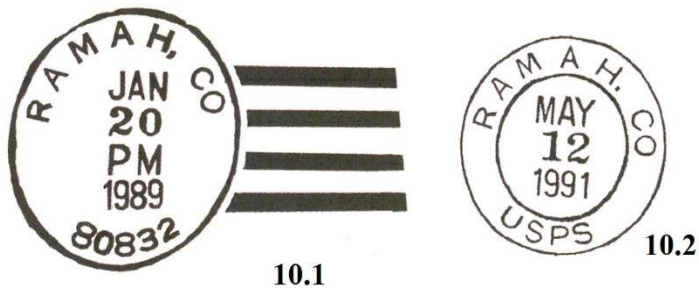
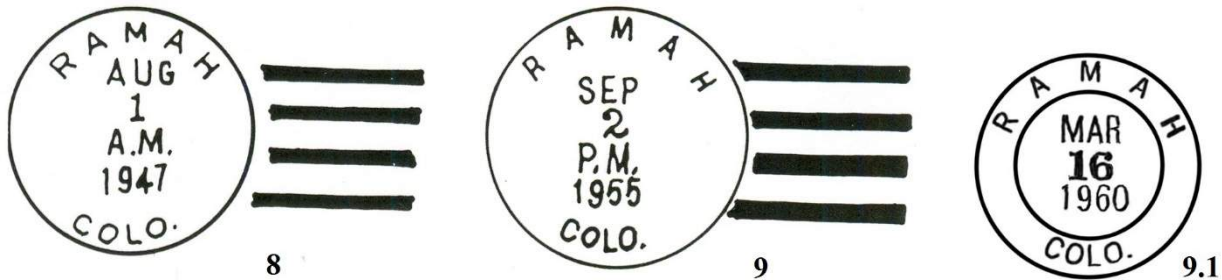
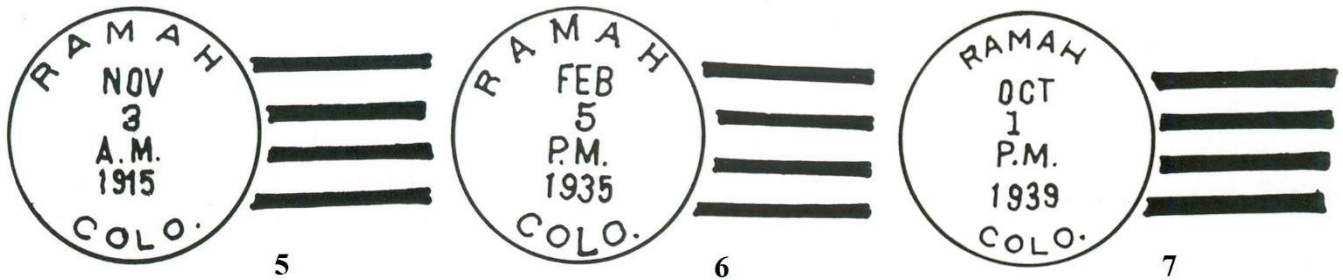
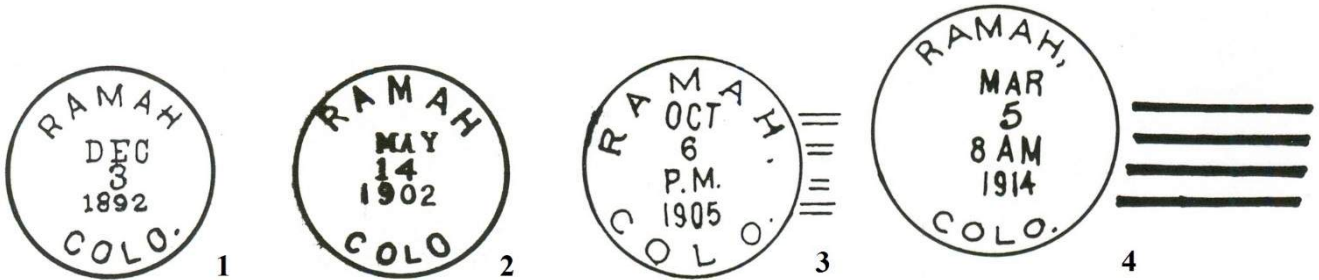
**September 7, 1895**

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	RAMAH / COLO. CI 10P 27.0	Hstp Target	Dec 3 1892 Sep 7 1895
2	RAMAH / COLO. CI 10P 29.0	Hstp No killer	May 14 1902 Apr 30 1904
3	RAMAH, / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Doane Type 2, with 4	Oct 6 1905 Nov 23 1910
4	RAMAH, / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-27x14mm	Apr 1 1911 Jun 25 1914
5	RAMAH / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-24x19mm	Nov 3 1915 Mar 28 1916
6	RAMAH / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-24x18mm	Feb 5 1935 Dec 8 1938
7	RAMAH / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-23x18mm	Apr 15 1939 Feb 17 1945
8	RAMAH / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-22x19mm	Mar 5 1945 Jun 27 1953
9	RAMAH / COLO. CI 10P 34.0	4bars S-25x20mm	Sep 2 1955 Dec 8 1960

RAMAH – Continued

9.1	RAMAH / COLO. CI 11P 30.0/19.0	Hstp No killer	Mar 16 1960
10	RAMAH, CO / 80832 CI 10P 32.5	4bars S-23x20mm	Jan 2 1968 Oct 29 1976
10.1	RAMAH, CO / 80832 CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-??x19mm	Jan 20 1989
10.2	RAMAH, CO / USPS CI 11P 29.0/19.0	Hstp No killer	May 12 1991
11	RAMAH, CO / 80832 CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-24x19mm	Aug 1 1989 May 29 1993
12	RAMAH CO 80832 / USPS CI 11P 28.5/19.0	Hstp No killer	Sep 26 2001



**RAMAH – Continued**



**ROSA**

I have found no information relative to the location or history of this place. There is no Post Office Department Geographic Site Location Report for Rosa.

Perhaps the fact that the establishment was rescinded indicates that there was no real need for the office. It is also possible that the location was somewhere in the Cripple Creek Mining District, which in 1895 was still a part of El Paso County.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

No document was found in the El Paso County Geographic Site Location Reports.

Jan 11 1895	Established	
Jan 11 1895	Blankenship, Phoebe	Order rescinded May 7 1895
May 7 1895	Discontinued	

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

**NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM ROSA**

**ROSWELL**

Roswell was established in late 1881 near the junction of the Rock Island Railroad and the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad. Roswell was an unincorporated residence community north of Colorado Springs. It is still largely a residential area but has been absorbed by the expansion of Colorado Springs.

Prior to the advent of Roswell, there was a small community by the name of Red Rock City. The Rock Island Railroad built a roundhouse and shops at Roswell, which contributed to its growth.

Reportedly the town was named for the Honorable Roswell P. Flower of New York.

From the center of Colorado Springs, drive north on Cascade Avenue, crossing over the grade of the old Rock Island Railroad. Roswell was to the west and between Cascade Avenue and Interstate 25. Another route to Roswell would be to exit I-25 at Fillmore Street and drive east on Colorado Highway 38 to Cascade Avenue. Go south on Cascade Avenue to West Harrison Street. Drive west on Harrison Street to Main Street. The Roswell Post Office was in the area of this intersection. There are a number of older buildings that likely date from the proper time period for Roswell.

Latitude = 38:52:25 North Longitude = 104:49:08 West

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Nov 30 1888	---	SW/4 SW/4 Sec 31 T13S R66W 200 feet east of Monument Creek On east side of D&RG RR & north side of CRI&C Ry about 500 feet from each of said rail roads
Feb 1 1889	Established	
Feb 1 1889	Churchill, Laura E.	
Feb 7 1890	Roby, Hanibal C.	

ROSWELL – Continued

Dec 22 1890            Dana, Adelaide L.  
Dec 5 1898            Griffin, Mary V.  
Oct 8 1907            Warner, Wilmot W.  
Apr 20 1908           Ordered closed  
Apr 30 1908           Discontinued Mail to Colorado Springs

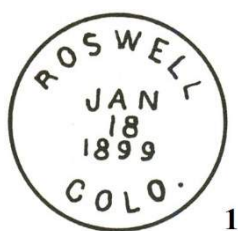


ROSWELL / COLO.

January 14, 1902

Confirmed types of postal markings

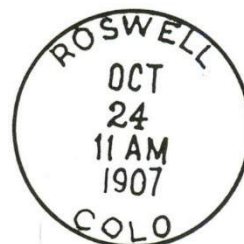
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|---|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | ROSWELL / COLO.<br>CI 10P 27.5 | Hstp Target, 4-ring   | Feb 21 1896 Jan 14 1902 |
| 2 | ROSWELL / COLO.<br>CI 10P 30.0 | Dplx Grid, 9 bar oval | Dec 29 1903 Dec 7 1906  |
| 3 | ROSWELL / COLO<br>CI 10P 31.0  | 4bars S-24X14mm       | Jul 3 1907 Dec 8 1907   |



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RUSH

One source identifies the founder of this community as Christian F. Rush. Other sources name him as Christopher Rush. The Post Office Department documents agree with the choice of Christian. Since Christian F. Rush was the proposed postmaster and did become the first postmaster it is logical that the community was named for him.

**RUSH – Continued**

Christian Rush was a homesteader, who in 1907 came to the area from Missouri. He established a small store and post office that served other homesteaders from Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma.

Originally, the Rush Post Office was located 2 miles south of present-day Rush, at the intersection of Rush Road and Book Road. According to the Geographic Site Location Reports the post office occupied sites in the southeast and the northeast corners of this intersection before, in 1927, it moved two miles north to the present location. There are no visible remains at either of the early locations but there are some scattered boards on the east side of Rush Road.

As with Yoder, its neighbor to the west, it is probable that the move was to a community developing along the road coming east from Colorado Springs.

Present day Rush is located on Colorado Highway 94, two miles west of the El Paso-Lincoln County line. It is a small community with a number of modest residences and a few small businesses serving the local residents and travelers along Highway 94.

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**Chronology of the Post Office**

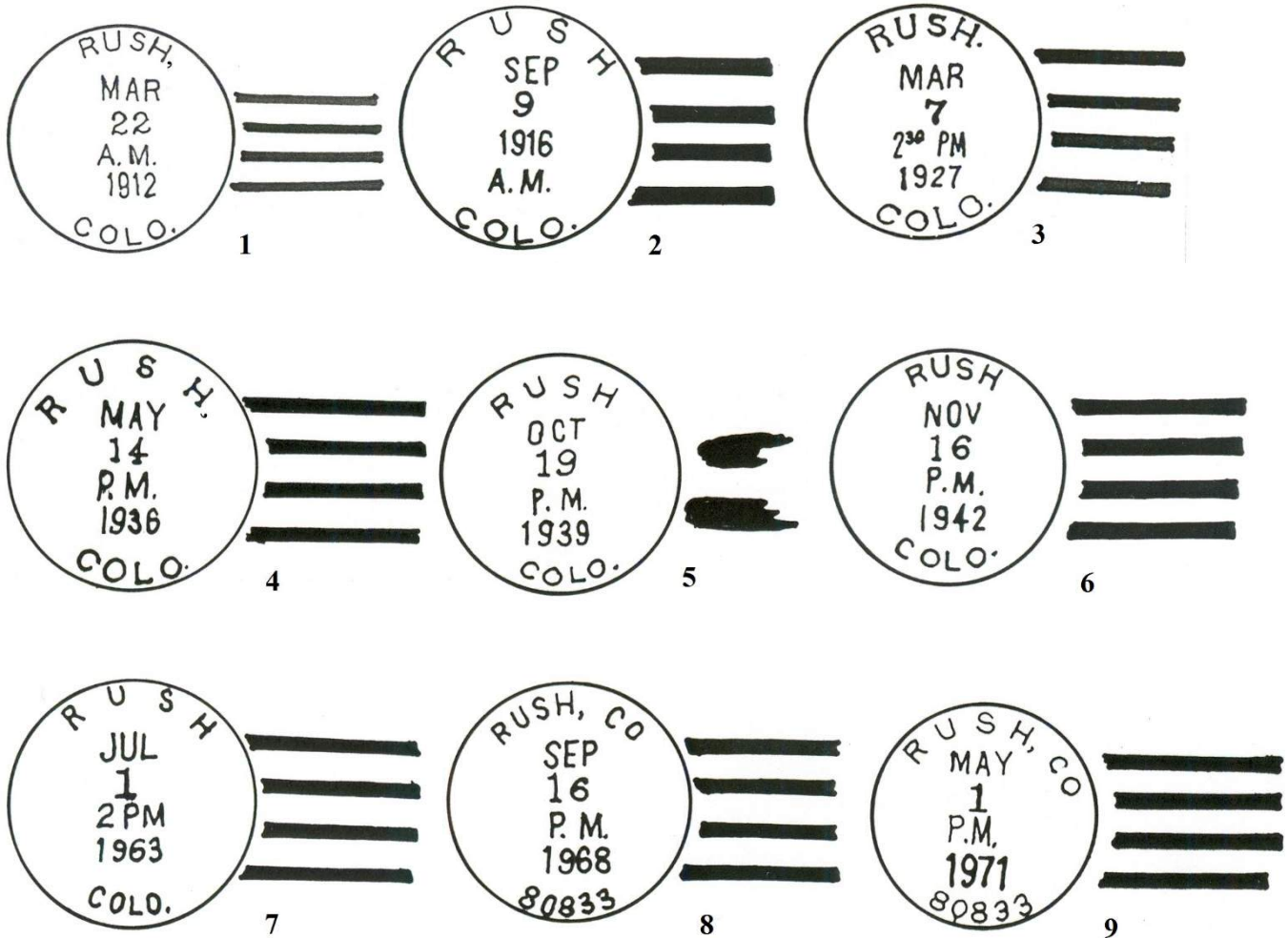
Nov 30 1907	---	SE/4 Sec 22 T14S R60W	
		Proposed postmaster - Christian F. Rush	
Feb 15 1908		Established	
Feb 15 1908		Rush, Christian F.	
Dec 6 1910		Edgington, Robert N.	
Dec 18 1911	---	NE/4 Sec 27 T14S R60W	
Feb 27 1914	---	NE/4 Sec 27 T14S R60W	
May 10 1920		Murphy, John A.	
Jan 21 1925		Gahart, Grace	Acting
Jun 25 1925		Gahart, Grace	Appointed
		Book, Grace	Name changed by marriage
Mar 14 1927	---	SE/4 Sec 10 T14S R60W	A move 10,650 feet north of a previous location
Mar 10 1941	---	SE/4 Sec 10 T14S R60W	On Highway 94
Jan 3 1942		Book, W. Ralph	Possession
Jan 31 1942		Book, W. Ralph	Acting
May 21 1942		Book, W. Ralph	Appointed & Confirmed
Jul 3 1942		Book, W. Ralph	Commissioned
Jul 13 1942		Book, W. Ralph	Possession
Jul 1 1961			Office made Presidential
Feb 1 1974		Bevans, James O.	Officer in charge
Apr 13 1974		Bevans, James O.	Appointed

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	RUSH, / COLO. CI 10P 31.0	4bars S-24x13mm	Feb 26 1909 May 9 1914
2	RUSH / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-??x19mm	Feb 23 1914 Mar 29 1921
3	RUSH. / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-??x20mm	Mar 7 1927 Feb 21 1933
4	RUSH, / COLO. CI 10P 34.0	4bars S-25x20mm	May 14 1936 Jul 3 1937
5	RUSH / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-??x19mm	Oct 19 1939 Aug 22 1941
6	RUSH / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-24x19mm	Nov 16 1942 Jun 26 1951
7	RUSH / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-24x19mm	Nov 18 1949 Feb 12 1965

RUSH – Continued

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|----|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 8  | RUSH, CO / 80833<br>CI 10P 33.0 | Sep 16 1968 May 29 1993 |
| 9  | RUSH, CO / 80833<br>CI 10P 31.0 | Aug 5 1970 Mar 4 1976   |
| 10 | rush, colo.<br>IR 00P 36.0x40.0 | May 8 1945              |
- Hstp Pointing hand, RETURN /TO / WRITER, with reasons



REASON CHECKED  
 Unclaimed ..... Refused .....  
 Unknown .....  
 For better address .....  
 Moved, Left no address .....  
 No such office in state .....

## **SAINT PETERS**

Saint Peters was another of the stations along the Colorado Springs and Cripple Creek District Railway. The location was also known as Duffield and is so shown on some maps.

Prior to the much better-known gold rush to the Cripple Creek District there was some mining at this location and that continued even after the focus shifted to the extensive deposits in the vicinity of Cripple Creek.

The station and the post office were named for the nearby rock formation known as St. Peter's Dome.

Directions to the site of St. Peters (Duffield) are best described for travel from Cripple Creek. Drive east out of Victor through Goldfield and past the site of Independence on what I believe is called Lazy S Ranch Road. There should be signs directing you towards Colorado Springs. The Gold Camp Road (Teller County Road 8) intersects the Lazy S Ranch Road and heads off to the east. From the intersection it is seventeen and one-half miles to the Teller-El Paso County line. It is two and one-half miles further to the site of St. Peters. There is evidence of mining activity on both sides of the road and it is just above a very sharp switchback in the road. From here it's another seven and one-half miles down to the city streets of Colorado Springs.

### **Chronology of the Post Office**

Sep 6 1905	---	SE/4 Sec 17 T15S R67W 600 feet northwest of the Colorado Springs & Cripple Creek District Railway Proposed postmaster - John H. Cameron
Nov 14 1905		Established Listed in error under Elbert County in the 1906-1907 Postal Guides Site was on the Colorado Springs & Cripple Creek District R.R. to Cripple Creek
Nov 14 1905		Cameron, John H.
Nov 20 1907		Ordered closed
Dec 31 1907		Discontinued Mail to Sublime

### **Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	SAINT PETERS COLO.	---	1907
	CI 10P ???	Doane Type 3, with 1	[NOT AVAILABLE FOR ILLUSTRATION]

## **SOUTHWATER**

Southwater was a railroad post office four miles south-southeast of Monument. In 1872, the post office was moved here from Bassetts Mills, which was four miles to the north-northeast. The Post Office Department records indicate that in 1878 the Southwater Post Office was moved to Husted. However, the Geographic Site Location Reports for Southwater and Husted are identical. Since the reports only qualify the location to a quarter section, a move could have taken place, but if so it was for a short distance.

Southwater was the site of a lumber mill and was a shipping point for produce and cattle via the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad.

Exit from Interstate 25 at the north entrance to the Air Force Academy. The entrance road soon crosses Monument Creek. The site of Southwater and the first site of Husted, along Monument Creek, was about three-quarters of a mile north of the road. There is a side road in that direction but it is off limits to the public. No remains are visible from the road.

### **Chronology of the Post Office**

Jan 4 1872		Moved from Bassetts Mills
Jan 4 1872		Walliham, Pierce
May 15 1875	---	NW/4 SW/4 Sec 1 T12S R67W 1/4 mile east of Monument Creek 1/4 mile east of the Southwater Flag Station of the D&RG

**SOUTHWATER – Continued**

The sketch map places it near where the D&RG crosses east to west over Monument Creek

NOTE: The location is in the northeast corner of the grounds of the United States Air Force Academy

Jan 18 1877 Wadsworth, James M.

Oct 1 1878 Moved to Husted

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1 SOUTHWATER / COL.  
CI 10P 24.5

Sep 25 1872 May 21 1876

Hstp Target, 4-ring



**SQUIRREL CREEK**

The Squirrel Creek Post Office was a rural post office located on the east side of the stream from which it takes its name.

Peyton Highway is the starting point for an attempt to visit the site of Squirrel Creek (see Hanover and Gleaneath). Ten miles south of Colorado Highway 94 turn east from Peyton Highway onto Squirrel Creek Road. This road goes due east four- and one-half miles before curving around to due south. About one half mile after completing the turn south, the site of the Squirrel Creek Post Office was a half-mile to the west of the road and east of the creek which is visible from the road. There are a couple of windmills and a building in that area but they are on private property with no access except through a locked gate.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Oct 24 1910 -- NW/4 Sec 7 T16S R62W 200 yards east of Squirrel Creek

Proposed postmaster - Bertha M. Hunziker

Jan 24 1911 Established

Jan 24 1911 Hunziker, Bertha M.

Jul 31 1916 Discontinued Mail to Colorado Springs

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1 SQUIRREL, CREEK, / COLO.  
CI 10P 31.0

Dec 10 1911 Dec 20 1911

4-bars S-23.0x13.0



**SUBLIME**

Sublime was a stopping point on the Colorado Springs and Cripple Creek District Railway where the railway had a water tank. During the stop at Point Sublime, passengers had the opportunity to take in the “sublime” view eastward over Colorado Springs and the prairies beyond.

Fairview was another proposed name for the post office that became Sublime and would have been an appropriate name. It is possible that the Post Office Department feared confusion with the settlement of Fairview in Custer County, even though that post office was inactive when the Sublime office was approved.



**SUBLIME / COLO.**

**February 22, 1906**

For many years, after railroad operations ceased and the rails were removed, Sublime was accessible via the Gold Camp Road between Colorado Springs and the Cripple Creek District. The west end of the Gold Camp Road is at Lazy S Ranch Road, which connects Victor with the site of Gillette on Colorado Highway 67.

Several years back, one the tunnels through which the Gold Camp Road passed collapsed and it has not been repaired. Thus, there is no vehicular access to the site. One could walk the old railroad grade, but in places it might become an adventure not suitable for the casual hiker.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

- Mar 23 1903 --- NE/4 Sec 8 T15S R67W 1 mile north of Bear Creek 10 feet west of Colorado Springs & Cripple Creek Dist. Ry.  
Proposed postmaster - Henry T. O'Brien**
- May 28 1903 Established Point Sublime, Colorado Springs & Cripple Creek District**
- May 28 1903 O'Brien, Henry T.**
- Aug 10 1907 Rider, Samuel W.**
- Aug 31 1909 Discontinued Mail to Colorado Springs**

**SUBLIME – Continued****Confirmed types of postal markings**1 SUBLIME / COLO.  
CI 10P 28.5

Dec 16 1905 Nov 27 1906

Hstp Cork, Smudge; Target

**SUFFOLK**

George Crofutt described Suffolk as, "A ranch and post office on Black Squirrel Creek, where cattle, sheep and cowboys abound and nothing else." Much the same can be said for today, absent the ranch and the post office.

I have found no other information about Suffolk and nothing to indicate the source of the name.

To observe the site of Suffolk, drive west seven miles from present day Yoder on Colorado Highway 94, to Baggett Road. Turn north for one mile. The location described in the Post Office Department Geographic Site Location Report is a half-mile to a mile east of Baggett Road. This is fairly level and open range but the only thing visible in that direction is one lone tree north of the power line. Perhaps the tree was at the site of a ranch that was home to the Suffolk Post Office and there might be something hidden in the swale that is a tributary to Black Squirrel Creek.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jan 26 1879	---	SE/4 Sec 4 T14S R62W Four miles east of Squirrel Creek Proposed postmaster - Daniel H. King
Feb 5 1879		Established
Feb 5 1879		King, David H.
Aug 5 1880		Pebbles, Jerome F.
Sep 11 1886		Discontinued Mail to Granger

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

**NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM SUFFOLK**

**SUN VIEW**

Sun View was a ranch post office on Little Fountain Creek, southwest of Colorado Springs. It was on the wagon road from Colorado Springs to Canon City. The old wagon road is now the approximate route of Colorado Highway 115.

The location of Sun View is on the north side of Colorado 115, near Fort Carson Gate 7. In 2001 it was the location of the Sunview RV Park. No early structures are visible.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Sep 29 1877	---	SE/4 Sec 2 T16S R67W 1/4 mile north of Little Fountain Creek
Oct 15 1877		Established
Oct 15 1877		Womack, Miss Lida G.
Jul 29 1880		Ripley, Laura
May 2 1883		Brinkerhoff, J. C.
Jun 18 1883		Brinkerhoff, Mary



**SURBER – Continued**

Mar 1 1910 Hayworth, Mary H.  
Jul 31 1916 Discontinued Mail to Calhan

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

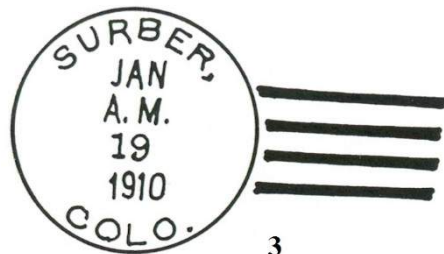
1	SURBER / COLO. CI 10P 27.0	Hstp Not present	Aug 13 1902 May 7 1906
2	SURBER, / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Doane Type 3, with 1, S-??x13mm	May 13 1907 Aug 21 1908
3	SURBER, / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-25x14mm	Jan 19 1910 Oct 24 1911
4	SURBER / COLO. CI 10P ?	4bars S-24x20mm	Mar 25 1914 Apr 29 1916



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**TABLE ROCK**

Table Rock was a rural post office in an area where the principal occupations were lumbering and raising cattle and sheep. The location is near the head of East Cherry Creek, originally named Knight's Creek.

The name was derived from the small flat-topped mesa that sits just south of the El Paso-Douglas County line.

Exit Interstate 25 at Monument and drive east on Colorado Highway 105 to Colorado Highway 83. Continue east on what is now Walker Road for approximately five miles to the intersection with Bar-X Road. Turn north on the combined Walker and Bar-X Roads one half mile and then east, still on Walker Road for about one-quarter mile. Then turn north on Campbell Road. Campbell Road makes a short jog to the east (White Antelope Road), turns back north, then jogs back west before again turning north, soon entering Douglas County. The settlement of Table Rock was where Campbell Road makes its final turn north. There is a ranch at that corner. Table Rock itself is prominent to the northeast and beneath its slope there is a large ranch complex that does include a new house (1997). The Table Rock Post Office was likely at one of these two ranches.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Dec 3 1873 --- SW/4 Sec 4 T11S R65W 1/8 mile east of East Cherry Creek or Knights Creek  
Dec 15 1873 Established  
Dec 15 1873 Jones, William



**TURKEY CREEK**

George Crofutt described Turkey Creek as follows: "20 miles south from Colorado Springs, by wagon road along the base of the mountain. A post office, a log cabin, one man, one woman, two babies comprise the city, whose chief occupation consists of "punching cows."

There is no evidence to dispute this description. The Turkey Creek Post Office did last for four years and served ranchers in the area and perhaps travelers along the road from Colorado Springs to Canon City.

It has been assumed that when the post office reopened in 1885 that it took a new name - Lytle. However, the first location of the Lytle Post Office was about a mile to the northwest of the site of Turkey Creek.

The site of Turkey Creek is within the grounds of the Fort Carson Military Reservation and there is no public access to the actual site. It is, or was in 2001, possible to turn off from Colorado Highway 115 and drive the short distance into the Turkey Creek Recreation Facility. This is a park and sports complex for the personnel of Fort Carson.

The public access road into the recreational facility turns sharply to west and from that turn you would be looking southeast in the direction of the Turkey Creek site. No buildings or remnants are visible from that distance and it is likely that everything has been demolished and removed by the military.

Latitude = 38:36:34 North Longitude = 104:52:54 West

**Chronology of the Post Office**

<b>Jun 22 1877</b>	---	<b>NE/4 Sec 3 T17S R67W About 100 yards east side of West Turkey Creek</b>
<b>Jul 16 1877</b>		<b>Established</b>
<b>Jul 16 1877</b>		<b>Sprague, Mrs. Alamedia E.</b>
<b>Sep 23 1878</b>		<b>Graham, A. E.</b>
<b>Jan 7 1879</b>		<b>Sillington, Mrs. Mary E.</b>
		<b>Closed Oct 10 1881</b>
<b>Oct 25 1881</b>		<b>Discontinued</b>

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

**NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM TURKEY CREEK**

**UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY**

Congress authorized the United States Air Force Academy in 1954. The first class of cadets was accepted in 1955 and began training at Lowry Air Force Base on the eastern edge of Denver. The Corps of Cadets moved to the academy in 1957 and the first class graduated in 1959.

Construction of the Air Force Academy in the area north of Colorado Springs was the catalyst for the extensive growth and development that has spread north from Colorado Springs towards the Monument Divide. Construction of Interstate 25 contributed considerably to the growth.

There are two exits from Interstate 25 that give access to the Academy Grounds, however the north entrance (Northgate Boulevard) seems to be the one most used by visitors. In 2000 there was no problem in visiting the Academy and no apparent restriction on driving about the grounds, which have become a major Colorado tourist attraction.

It did take a bit of searching and some help to find the post office which in 2000 was located in the Community Center, a large building east of the Burger King and the BX. It was a store front on an arcade within the building.

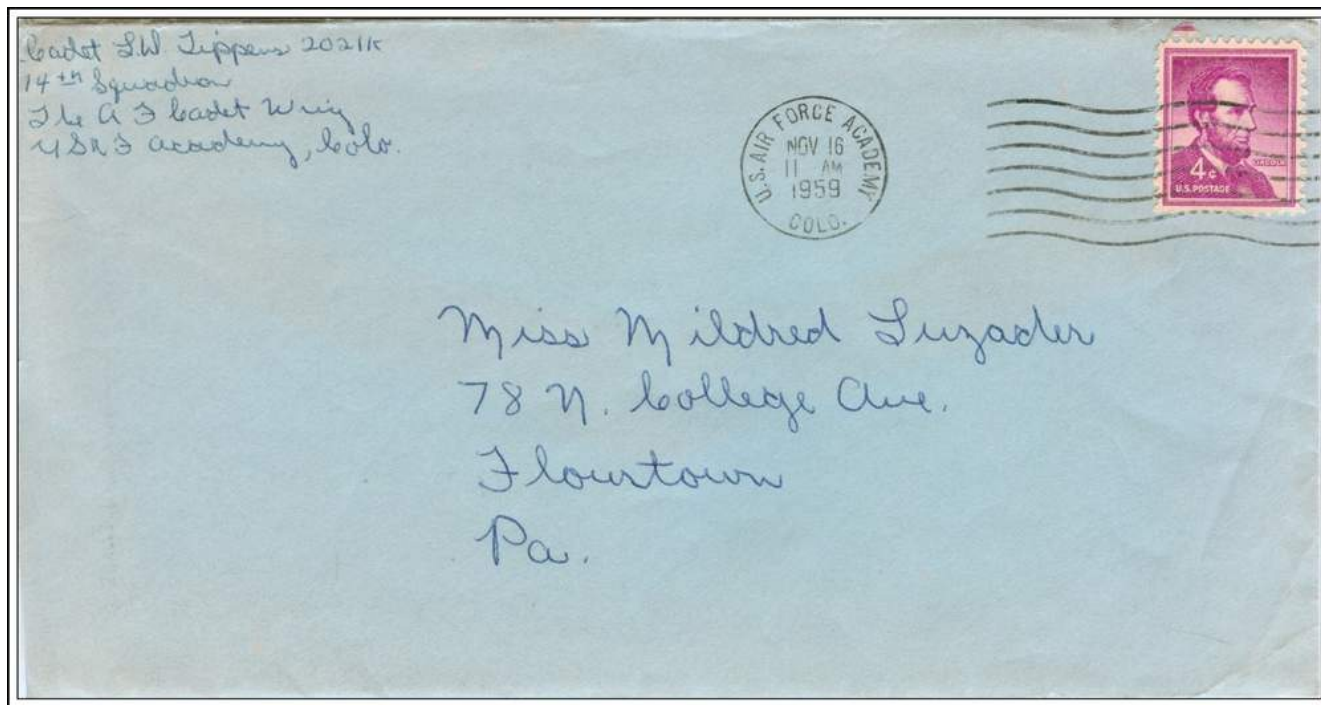
The easiest way to reach the Community Center is from Northgate Boulevard is to turn south on Stadium Boulevard and then turn right on to Community Center Drive.

Latitude = 38:59:25 North Longitude = 104:51:28 West

**UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY – Continued  
Chronology of the Post Office**

This office was established subsequent to the period covered by the Geographic Site Location Reports.

Jun 28 1958	Established	
Jul 14 1958	Snepenger, Joseph	Acting
Jun 28 1958	Snepenger, Joseph	Assumed charge
May 24 1960	Snepenger, Joseph	Nominated
Jun 21 1960	Snepenger, Joseph	Confirmed
Jun 27 1960	Snepenger, Joseph	Appointed Presidential
Jul 8 1960	Snepenger, Joseph	Assumed Charge
Sep 12 1972	Hatcher, Charles G.	Officer in charge
Jun 30 1973	Hatcher, Charles G.	Appointed



**U. S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY / COLO.**

**November 16, 1959**

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	U.S.AIR FORCE ACADEMY / COLO. CI 10P 20.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	Jun 28 1958 Nov 16 1962
2	U.S.AIR FORCE ACADEMY / COLO. CI 10P 21.0	Mach Slogan in box with bars; HISTORIC FIRST / USFA GRADUATION / 29 MAY — 3 JUNE	Jun 3 1959 May 29 1959
3	UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-24x20mm	Dec 27 1960
4	UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-25x20mm	Jan 8 1964
5	U.S.AIR FORCE ACADEMY, CO / 80840 CI 10P 20.0	Mach 7 wavy lines	Apr 18 1967 Oct 26 1973
6	UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY CO / 80840 CI 10P 26.0	Pict 8 bars to sides of cds; large "20th" / anniversary / United States / Air Force Academy	Apr 1 1974 Apr 1 1974
7	UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY, CO / 80840 CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-25x20mm	Sep 21 1970 Oct 26 1981

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY – Continued

- 8 UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY, CO / 80840 Apr 1 1979 Apr 1 1979  
CI 10P 33.0 4bars S-25x20mm
- 9 UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY, CO / 80840 Jun 19 1987  
CI 10P 30.5 4bars S-23x18mm
- 10 USAF ACADEMY, CO / 80840 Mar 11 1987 Dec 2 1991  
CI 10P 31.0 4bars S-23x18mm
- 11 USAF ACADEMY, CO / 80840 Apr 15 1993 May 29 1993  
CI 10P 33.0 4bars S-20x16mm
- 12 U. S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY, CO / USPS Apr 15 1993  
CI 11P 27.0/18.0 Hstp No killer
- 13 U. S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY, CO / USPS Apr 15 1993  
CI 11P 38.0/18.0 Hstp No killer
- 801.H USAF ACADEMY CO / 80840 Apr 1 2004 Apr 1 2004  
CI 10P 23.0 Hstp 4 lines with FIRST DAY OF ISSUE; 37c USAF 50th Anniversary stamp
- 801.M USAF ACADEMY CO / 80840 Apr 1 2004  
CI 10P 20.0 Mach 4 lines with FIRST DAY OF ISSUE; 37c USAF 50th Anniversary stamp



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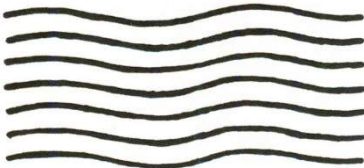
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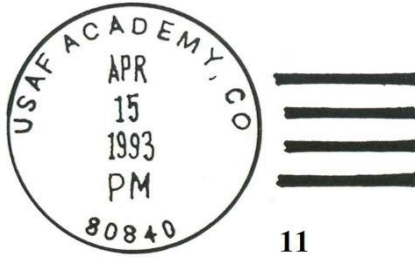


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**UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY – Continued**



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FIRST DAY OF ISSUE



801.M

FIRST DAY OF ISSUE

**UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY STATIONS  
U. S. A. F. A.- CADET STATION**

The Cadet Station Post Office is (2000) located within the residence building and as such is off limits to the public

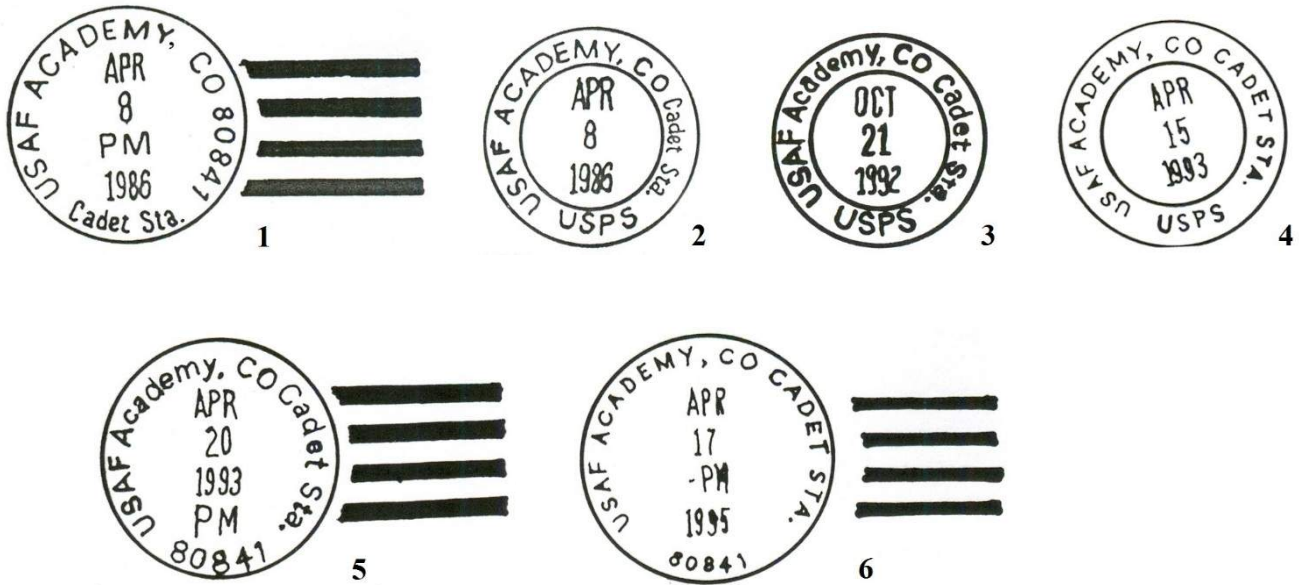
**Chronology of the Post Office**

Nov 1 1970      Status changed from M. O. Unit No. 1

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	USAF ACADEMY, CO 80841 / Cadet Sta. CI 10P 31.0	4bars S-24x18mm	Apr 8 1986 Apr 12 1988
2	USAF ACADEMY, CO Cadet Sta. / USPS CI 11P 28.0/18.0	Hstp No killer	Apr 8 1986
3	USAF Academy, CO Cadet Sta. / USPS CI 11P 28.0/18.0	Hstp No killer	Oct 21 1992
4	USAF ACADEMY, CO CADET STA. / USPS CI 11P 29.0/19.0	Hstp No killer	Apr 15 1993
5	USAF Academy, CO Cadet Sta. / 80841 CI 10P 31.0	4bars S-23x18mm	Apr 20 1993 May 17 1993
6	USAF ACADEMY, CO CADET STA. / 80841 CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-20x16mm	Apr 17 1995

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY STATIONS- Continued  
U. S. A. F. A.- CADET STATION - Continued



U. S. A. F. A. - 50TH ANNIVERSARY STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

Sep 18 1997 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

Confirmed types of postal markings

- 1 U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY CO 80840 :: 50th ANNIVERSARY / STATION  
Sep 18 1997  
CI 10P 26.0 Pict Scene; Air Force emblem
- 2 U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY CO 80840 :: 50th ANNIVERSARY / STATION  
Sep 18 1997  
CI 10P 26.0 Pict Scene; Air Force emblem; CDS and pictorial are printed in bi-colored, metallic ink



US AIR FORCE ACADEMY - 52ND ANNIVERSARY STATION

Chronology of the Post Office

Sep 10 1994 Operated as a Special Commemorative Station

Confirmed types of postal markings

- 1 US AIR FORCE ACADEMY CO 80--- // 52ND ANNIVERSARY STATION  
Sep 10 1994  
CI 10P 41.5 Pict Scene; Airplane in center; Text in ribbon below cds; ??????? / FIRST COMBAT MISSION / July 4, 1942

**UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY STATIONS– Continued  
US AIR FORCE ACADEMY – 52ND ANNIVERSARY STATION – CONTINUED**



**U. S. A. F. A. - M.O.U. NO. 1**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

--- -- 1959	Established as a Station of United States Air Force Academy
Oct 31 1970	Converted to Cadet Station of United States Air Force Academy

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

**NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM U.S.A.F.A. M.O.U. NO. 1**

**WAVERLY**

I have found no information relative to the location or history of this place. There is no Post Office Department Geographic Site Location Report for Waverly. From 1906 to 1912 there was a Waverly Post Office in Larimer County.

Perhaps the fact that the establishment was rescinded indicates that there was no real need for the office. It is also possible that the location was somewhere in the Cripple Creek Mining District, which in 1897 was still a part of El Paso County.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

	No document was found in the El Paso County Geographic Site Location Reports.	
May 1 1897	Established	
May 1 1897	Bombeck, Emma	Never commissioned
	Establishment rescinded	
	Postmaster appointed but never commissioned	

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

**NO POSTAL MARKINGS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FROM WAVERLY**

**WAYNE**

Wayne was the second name given to the post office located in the southwest quarter of section 17, Township 14 South, Range 61 West.

I have found no information regarding the source of this name.

**WAYNE – Continued**

In April 1909 the name of the Lowland Post Office was changed to Wayne. The post office continued under that name until it closed in early 1912 with mail directed to Yoder. Perhaps at that time the Yoder Post Office was moved to this location and was there briefly before moving back north.

The location is one mile south of Colorado Highway 94, on the southern extension of Calhan Highway. At that point there is a road to the west. In the northeast corner of this intersection there is a small ranch but the buildings all seem of relatively recent construction. In the southwest corner there is an old concrete foundation.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

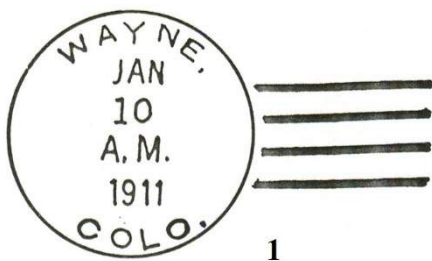
Jan 15 1909	Name changed from Lowland
Jan 15 1909	Groft, Elias
Apr 22 1909 --	SW/4 Sec 17 T14S R61W 5 miles east of Squirrel Creek The sketch map places it 5 miles due south of Yoder (1904 location) and 1 mile south, 6 miles east of Ellicott (at that time)
Nov 30 1912	Discontinued Mail to Yoder

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1 WAYNE, / COLO.  
CI 10P 32.0

Jan 18 1910 Jan 10 1911

4bars S-25x14mm

**WEISSPORT**

Development on the crest of the Monument Divide was slow in coming. The Denver and Rio Grande Railroad reached the summit in 1871 on its way south towards Pueblo. A station was established at the summit, near the southern end of a small lake. It was given the appropriate name of Divide. The picturesque location soon became a popular spot for picnics and excursions from Denver.

A larger community began to develop around the station and the lake. This took the name of Weissport, for Mr. Camillus Albert Weiss, the first station agent for the Denver and Rio Grande at Divide. The Weissport Post Office opened in July 1875, within a few feet of the railroad station.

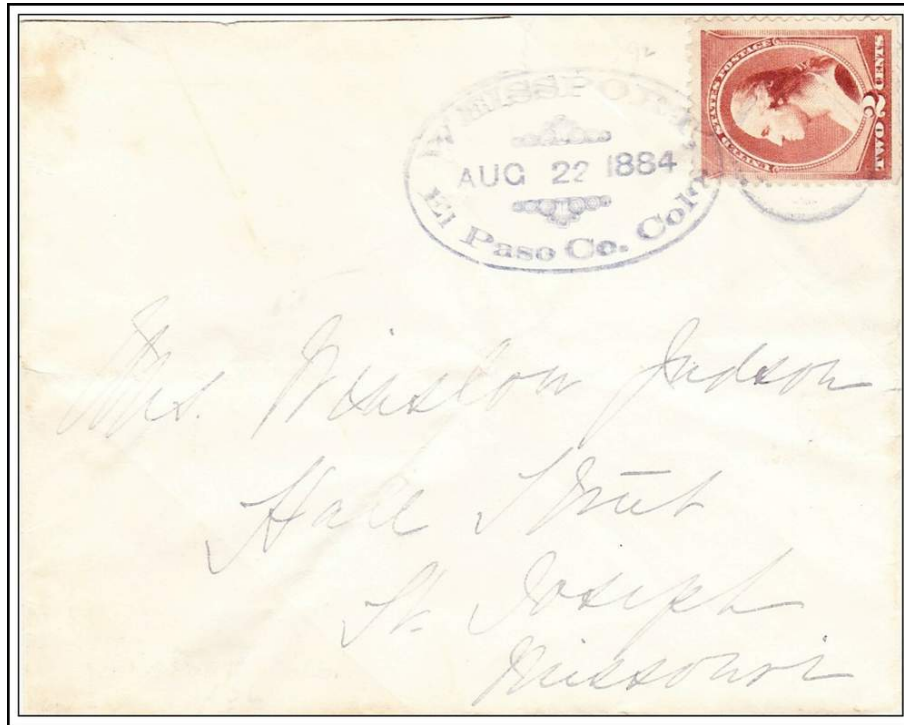
By the mid-1880's residential and commercial growth had spread largely to the western side of the lake. Much of this development was due to Dr. W. Finley Thompson who settled there in 1882. He laid out a townsite but the plat was not filed until 1888. By that time the community had adopted the name of Palmer Lake and the Weissport Post Office had moved a half-mile north and become Palmer Lake.

In 1883, Mr. Thompson became the Weissport Postmaster so there is a distinct possibility that he relocated the Weissport Post Office prior to 1887 when the name of Palmer Lake was adopted.

The exact location of Weissport is difficult to determine. It was near the southeast end of the lake where the railroad makes its closest approach to Colorado Highway 105, in an area that is somewhat undeveloped, consisting of a park, some open fields and the railroad.

Weissport / Palmer Lake can be reached via Colorado Highway 105 from Monument on Interstate 25. Colorado 105 continues north to Sedalia in Douglas County.

**WEISSPORT – Continued**



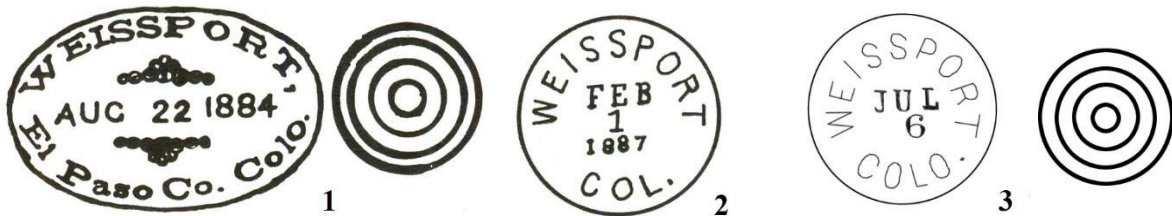
**WEISSPORT, / El Paso Co. Colo.                      August 22, 1884**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

- Jul 8 1875**    ---    **SE/4 Sec 5 T11S R67W** About 20 feet west of Railroad At Divide Station 1/2 mile north of Monument Creek
- Jul 21 1875**    **Established**
- Jul 21 1875**    **Weiss, Camillus Albert**
- Mar 9 1880**    **Tiner, J. F.**
- Apr 6 1880**    **McMurray, Walter R.**
- Aug 3 1880**    **Discontinued**
- Oct 21 1880**   **Re-established**
- Oct 21 1880**   **Borie, Frank M.**
- Sep 24 1883**   **Thompson, W. Finley**
- Mar 22 1887**   **Moved 1/4 mile to Palmer**

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1</b>    <b>WEISSPORT, / El Paso Co. Colo.</b><br/>OV 10P 42.0x27.0</li> <li><b>2</b>    <b>WEISSPORT / COL.</b><br/>CI 10P 26.0</li> <li><b>3</b>    <b>WEISSPORT / COLO.</b><br/>CI 10P 25.0</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Hstp Target</b></li> <li><b>Hstp Target, 4-ring 17mm</b></li> <li><b>Hstp Target, 4-ring</b></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Aug 22 1884 Oct 10 1884</b></li> <li><b>Jul 11 1883 Feb 1 1887</b></li> <li><b>Jul 6 (1880s)</b></li> </ul> |
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**WHEATLAND**

Wheatland was more commonly known as Wheatfield. I have no information as to why, when a post office was established it took the name Wheatland.

The name, whether Wheatfield or Wheatland, indicates that it was a rural, agricultural community. Early maps place it along Fountain Creek, which would also support the idea of an agriculture-based economy.

After the establishment of Colorado Springs in 1871, the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad continued to build south towards Pueblo. The right of way passed through the area of Wheatland.

The location was about four miles southeast of Colorado Springs but without a Geographic Site Location Report I cannot provide a more accurate location. The best that I can do for a location is that it was most likely in the area where South Circle Drive is elevated over the railroad yards and Las Vegas Road. The area is now mostly industrial. Please refer to the discussion of Kelker for directions to this location.

The reader should be aware that from 1875 to 1881 there was a Wheatland Post Office in Larimer County.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

No document was found in the El Paso County Geographic Site Location Reports.

Aug 19 1869	Established
Aug 19 1869	Coburn, Paul
Apr 25 1870	Stubbs, Benjamin P.
Oct 26 1873	Discontinued

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1.A	Wheatland Col Tery		Oct 16 1869
	MS	Mscp Pen cancel	
1.B	Wheatland P.O. C.T.		Nov 23 1869
	MS	Mscp Pen cancel	
1.C	Wheatland CT		Dec 7 1869 Mar 5 1870
	MS	Mscp Pen cancel	

1.A

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**WIGWAM**

Wigwam was a railroad post office located at a small station and siding of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad on the west side of Fountain Creek. The Denver and New Orleans Railroad had a similarly named siding on the east side of Fountain Creek but the post office was on the Denver and Rio Grande.

The site of Wigwam is a little more than a mile north of the El Paso-Pueblo County line. It is necessary to go beyond it to the Midway Exit (Exit 119) from Interstate 25. Go to the east side of the Interstate and cross the Santa Fe Railroad tracks to the county road that parallels the tracks. Turn south and go about one mile to where the road turns sharply east and crosses the tracks of the Rio Grande (now the Southern Pacific). The Wigwam Post Office was located in the area between the two railroads and north of the county road. A few old trees and a little used siding are all that remain.

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**WIGWAM / COLO.**

**August 22, 1885**

**Chronology of the Post Office**

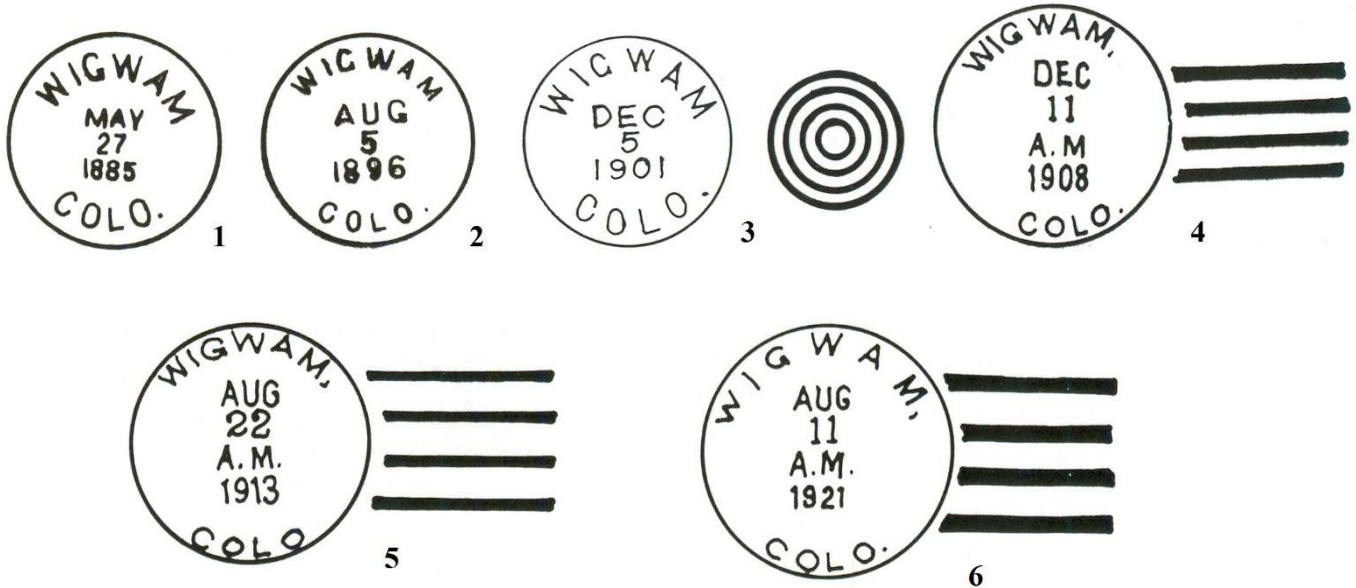
- Jun 17 1882 --- SW/4 Sec 26 T17S R65W 3/4 mile west of Fountain Creek 75 rods west of the D&RG Railroad
- Jun 26 1882 Established
- Jun 26 1882 Irvine, Mrs. Louie W.
- Jul 31 1890 Kirk, Mary E.
- Sep 18 1890 Discontinued Papers to El Paso
- Oct 1 1890 Re-established
- Oct 1 1890 Kirk, Mary E.
- Jan 19 1891 Rogers, Charlotte
- Jan 25 1895 Smith, Dwight E.
- Apr 23 1896 Huskinson, Frank W.
- Nov 23 1896 Young, Dewitt E.
- Sep 10 1898 McElhiney, John D.
- Jan 28 1905 Robinson, Ray G.
- Oct 9 1913 Happy, Harry E.

**WIGWAM – Continued**

Sep 2 1914 Reynolds, Frederick L.  
Apr 12 1915 Happy, Harry E.  
May 31 1922 Discontinued Mail to Pueblo

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	WIGWAM / COLO. CI 10P 27.5	Aug 1 1884 Mar 20 1893 Hstp Target, 4-ring 18mm
2	WIGWAM / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Aug 5 1896 Hstp Cork, Smudge
3	WIGWAM / COLO. CI 10P 27.5	Dec 5 1901 May 16 1902 Hstp Target, 4-ring 17mm
4	WIGWAM, / COLO. CI 10P 31.0	March 19 1908 Dec 22 1911 4bars S-23x14mm
5	WIGWAM, / COLO. CI 10P 31.0	Dec 24 1912 Oct 16 1917 4bars S-25x19mm
6	WIGWAM, / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	Aug 11 1921 Dec 26 1921 4bars S-??x19mm



**WOODMEN**

In 1909 the Modern Woodmen of America Lodge established a tuberculosis sanitarium north of Colorado Springs. The Modern Woodmen of America was founded in the late nineteenth century primarily to provide insurance for members.

In 1907, a committee from the organization selected a site north of Colorado Springs. They purchased the Ambler Ranch as a site for a new sanatorium. Dr. John E. White led the establishment and the operation of tent colonies, utilizing the methods he had employed at another sanatorium in the area. Eventually Woodmen became one of the largest and most sophisticated private sanatoriums in the world. It was a fully self-sustaining fresh air operation with its own water, sewage, heat and refrigeration systems. It had a post office, a store, a bakery, blacksmith and carpenter shops and a greenhouse. Most of the housing for patients was in tents in order that they would receive the full benefit of Colorado's clear, dry mountain air.

**WOODMEN – Continued**

By 1947 medical progress in the treatment and prevention of tuberculosis had vastly reduced the number of patients seeking a cure at Woodmen. The facility was closed to patients and eventually the property was sold to the Catholic Church and is now the St. Francis Nursing Home.

To reach the site, exit Interstate 25 at the Woodmen Road Exit and drive west on Woodmen Road five miles to St. Francis Nursing Home. There are several large brick buildings and it seems likely that the post office was in one of these. Just before the entry into the nursing home, there are some structures to the north of Woodmen Road that may have been part of the greenhouse and service buildings for the sanatorium.

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Jan 20 1912	Established Sanatorium operated by Modern Woodmen the World	
Jan 20 1912	Rutledge, James H.	
Apr 29 1912 ---	NE/4 Sec 3 T13S R67W	
Mar 2 1914 ---	SW/4 NE/4 Sec 3 T13S R67W	
Jan 1 1916		Office made Presidential
Jan 27 1916	Rutledge, James H.	P&S
Jan 21 1920	Allison, James L.	Acting
Jun 4 1920	Allison, James L.	P&S, Appointed
May 19 1924	Allison, James L.	
May 12 1928	Allison, James L.	Confirmed
Mar 16 1932	Allison, James L.	Nominated
Mar 27 1932	Allison, James L.	Confirmed & Appointed Presidential
Apr 18 1932	Allison, James L.	Commissioned
Jun 5 1932	Neuhaus, Herman W.	Acting
Jun 16 1932	Neuhaus, Herman W.	Assumed charge
Nov 19 1937	Neuhaus, Herman W.	Nominated
Nov 26 1937	Neuhaus, Herman W.	Confirmed
Dec 1 1937	Neuhaus, Herman W.	Appointed Presidential
Dec 23 1937	Neuhaus, Herman W.	Commissioned
Oct 22 1941 ---	NE/4 Sec 3 T13S R67W	
Feb 9 1942	Neuhaus, Herman W.	Nominated
Feb 25 1942	Neuhaus, Herman W.	Confirmed
Feb 26 1942	Neuhaus, Herman W.	Appointed Presidential
Mar 16 1942	Neuhaus, Herman W.	Commissioned
Jan 31 1949	Discontinued	

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	WOODMEN, / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-24x19mm	Jun 25 1912 Jun 2 1914
2	WOODMEN / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Dplx Grid, 9 bar oval	Aug 9 1915 Jul 17 1936
3	WOODMEN / COLO. CI 10P 22.5	Mach 7 wavy lines	Apr 24 1924 Apr 29 1945
4	WOODMEN / COLO. CI 10P 30.0	Dplx Grid, 8-bar pointed oval with 1	Oct 2 1940 Jan 31 1949
5	WOODMEN, COLO. / PARCEL POST CI 11P 28.0/19.0	Hstp No killer	Oct 11 1941
6	WOODMEN, COLO. / M.O.B. CI 11P 28.0/18.0	Hstp No killer	Dec 6 1943

## WOODMEN – Continued



## YODER

The Yoder Post Office has had a wandering existence. Originally it was located four miles north of Colorado Highway 94, on today's Calhan Highway at the intersection with M. D. Jones Road. The site was in the northeast corner of the intersection. There is a small clump of trees, some posts and a remnant building at that spot.

It has been reported that in 1904 a German homesteader named Ira M. Yoder came to this site and that he was instrumental in obtaining a post office. However, the Post Office Records of Postmaster Appointments and the Geographic Site Location Reports record the name of the proposed and first postmaster of Yoder as Abner F. Yoder. Were there two people involved? In any event the community took the Yoder family name and carried it to three other locations in the general area.

About 1912 the Yoder Post Office moved five miles south to a location one mile south of Colorado 94 but still on Calhan Highway or its extension south. At that point there is a road to the west. In the northeast corner there is a small ranch but the buildings all seem of relatively recent construction. In the southwest corner there is an old concrete foundation. This new location was the site of a post office first named Lowland, then Wayne and finally occupied by the Yoder Post Office before it made its next move, back north.

In early 1914 the Yoder Post Office moved again, back north of Colorado 94. To reach the third location, from the original location at M. D. Jones Road and Calhan Highway, drive south one mile to Big Springs Road and then east one mile to Lauppe Road. There is nothing at the intersection but there are a couple of farm-ranch complexes a short distance east of the intersection. Perhaps the Yoder Post Office was at one of those sites.

There is no evidence that there were more than a few ranch or farm buildings at these three locations of Yoder.

In 1920 the Yoder Post Office made its final move, three miles south-southwest to its present location on Colorado Highway 94. A logical presumption was that this was to accommodate a small community developing on what was becoming a travel route for automobiles.

Yoder remains a small community with a number of residences and a few businesses that serve residents of the surrounding area and travelers on Colorado 94.

**YODER – Continued**

Latitude = 38:50:22 North Longitude = 104:13:17 West

**Chronology of the Post Office**

Mar 18 1904 ---	SE/4 Sec 19 T13S R61W Proposed postmaster - Abner F. Yoder	
Apr 21 1904	Established	
Apr 21 1904	Yoder, Abner F.	
Jun 20 1907	Neece, Leander A.	
May 14 1908 ---	SW/4 Sec 17 T14S R61W The sketch map seems to identify the Lowland/Wayne location as Hamilton. This was the Site Location Report for Lowland, then Wayne.	
Nov 27 1909	Vorhies, Leroy	
Feb 19 1913	Walden, Edith E.	
Mar 2 1914 ---	SW/4 Sec 28 T13S R61W	
Apr 29 1915	Haynes, Robert L.	Confirmed
May 10 1915	Haynes, Robert L.	Commissioned
May 15 1915	Haynes, Robert L.	Assumed charge
Nov 22 1920 ---	SE/4 SE/4 Sec 9 T14S R61W	
Oct 23 1941 ---	SE/4 Sec 9 T14S R61W	
Jul 1 1942	Stamps, Mrs. Lily Arrella	Assumed charge
Jul 9 1942	Stamps, Mrs. Lily Arrella	Acting
Jan 9 1943	Mathis, Mrs. Helen M.	Appointed
Jan 21 1943	Mathis, Mrs. Helen M.	Commissioned
Jan 25 1943	Mathis, Mrs. Helen M.	Possession
Jul 15 1950	Thieman, Orville Earnest	Possession
Jul 26 1950	Thieman, Orville Earnest	Appointed
Aug 8 1951	Kenney, Maurice	Appointed
Aug 24 1951	Kenney, Maurice	Commissioned
Sep 15 1951	Kenney, Maurice	Possession
May 31 1953	Richardson, Verne W.	Possession
Jun 11 1953	Richardson, Verne W.	Appointed
Jan 22 1954	Richardson, Mrs. Bertha M.	Appointed
Mar 17 1954	Richardson, Mrs. Bertha M.	Commissioned
Mar 31 1954	Richardson, Mrs. Bertha M.	Possession
Aug 16 1966	Kenney, Mrs. Bertha M.	Name changed by marriage

**Confirmed types of postal markings**

1	YODER, / COLO. CI 10P 28.0	Doane Type 2, with 1, S-25sx14mm	Jul 16 1907 Nov 10 1908
2	YODER, / COLO. CI 10P 31.0	4bars S-??x14mm	Jun 5 1909 Oct 26 1912
3	YODER, / COLO. CI 10P 34.0	4bars S-24x20mm	Dec 18 1929 Sep 6 1950
4	YODER, COLO. / M.O.B. CI 11P 28.0/18.0	Hstp No killer	Mar -- 1935
5	YODER / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-23x19mm	Nov 13 1942 Nov 18 1946
5.1	YODER / COLO. CI 10P 31.0	4bars S-23x18mm	Apr 19 1952
6	YODER / COLO. CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-25x20mm	Mar 17 1955 Feb 8 1960
7	YODER / COLO. CI 10P 32.0	4bars S-25x19mm	Sep 24 1964 Oct 28 1964
8	YODER, CO / 80864 CI 10P 33.0	4bars S-24x20mm	May 24 1969

YODER – Continued

9 YODER, CO / 80864  
CI 10P 31.0

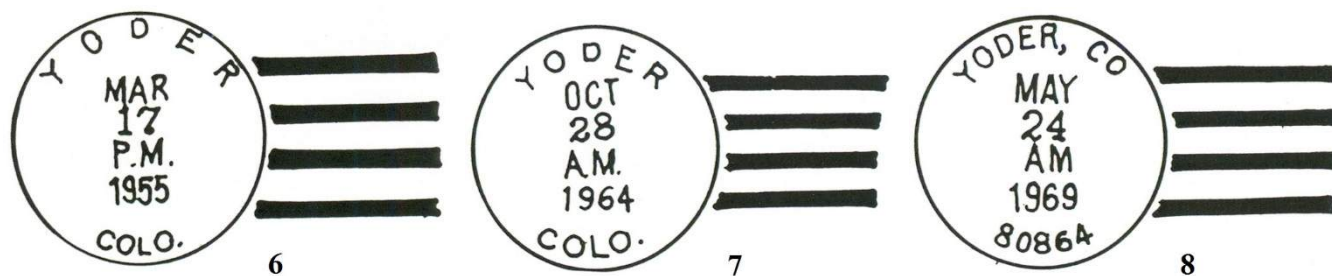
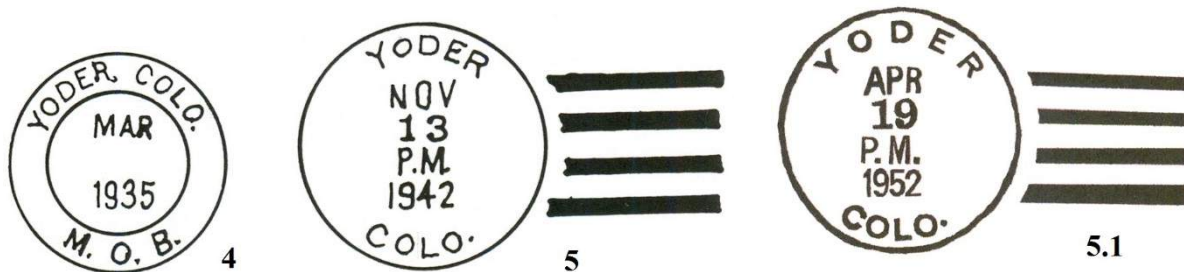
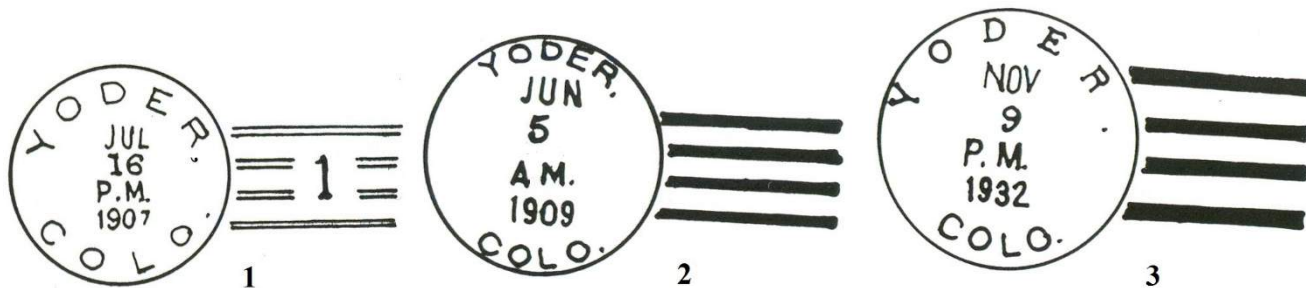
Apr 24 1971 Dec 23 1991

4bars S-25x18mm

10 YODER, CO 80864 / USPS  
CI 10P 34.0

Sep 3 1992 Oct 6 1994

4bars S-17x20mm



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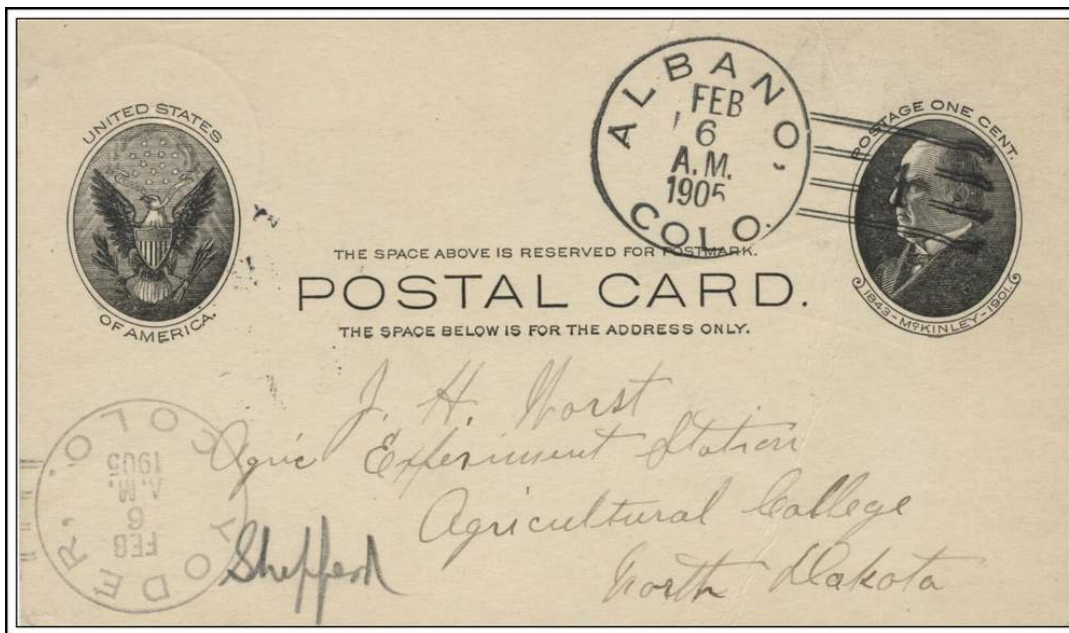
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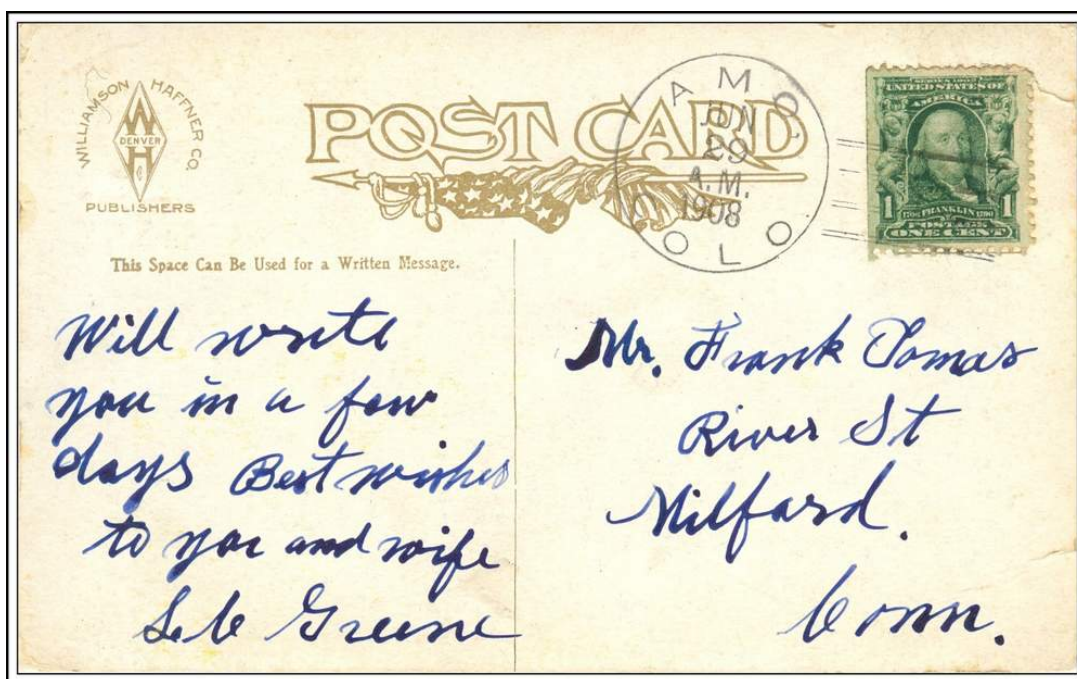
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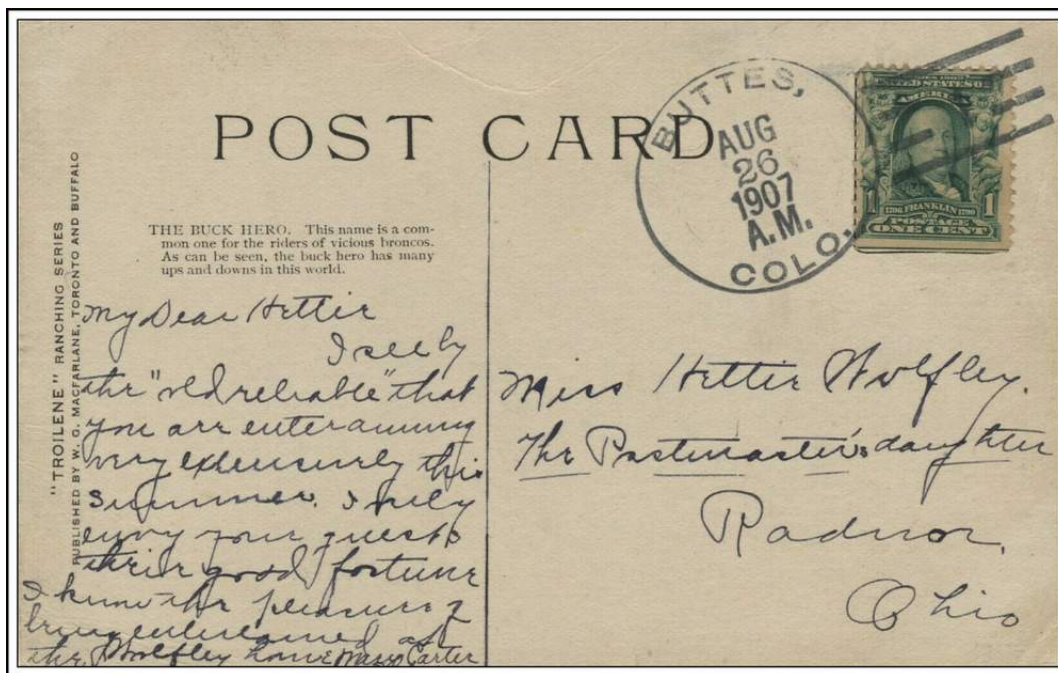
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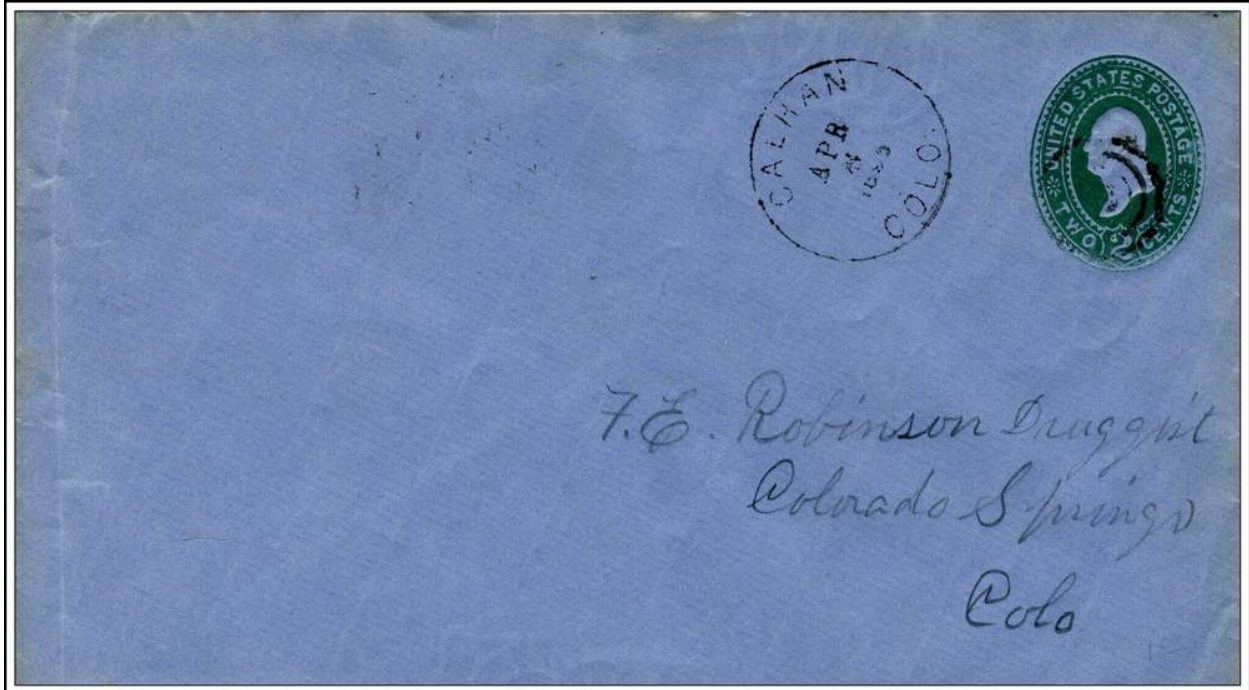
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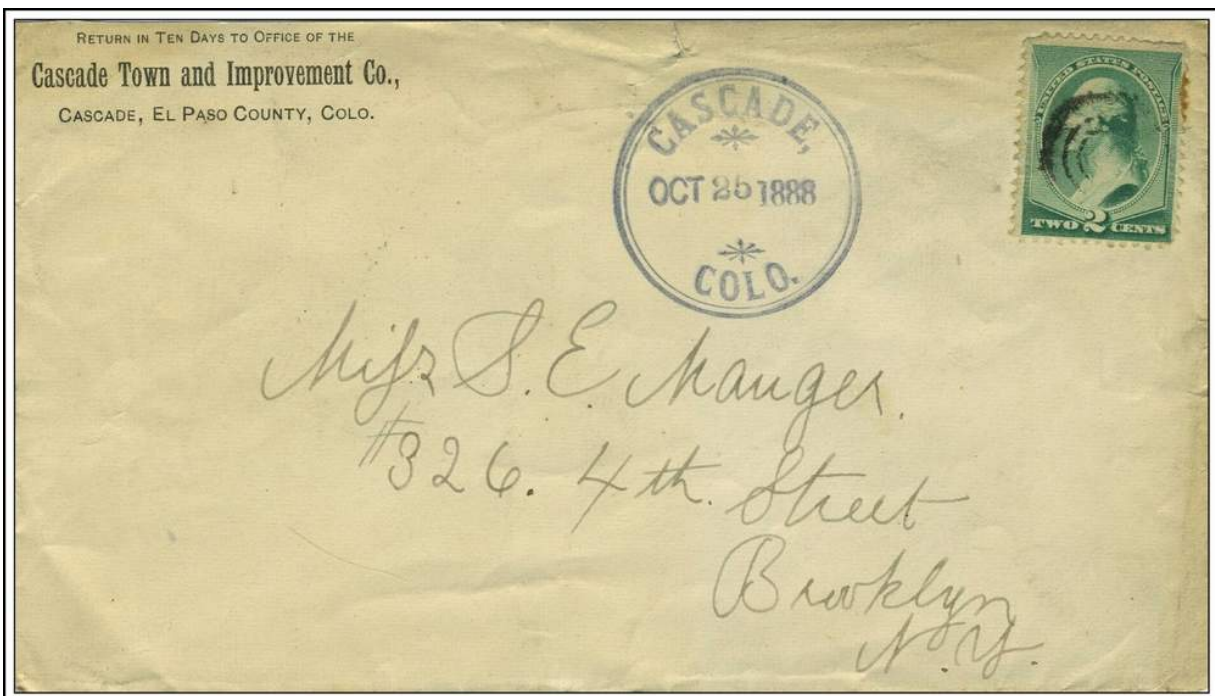
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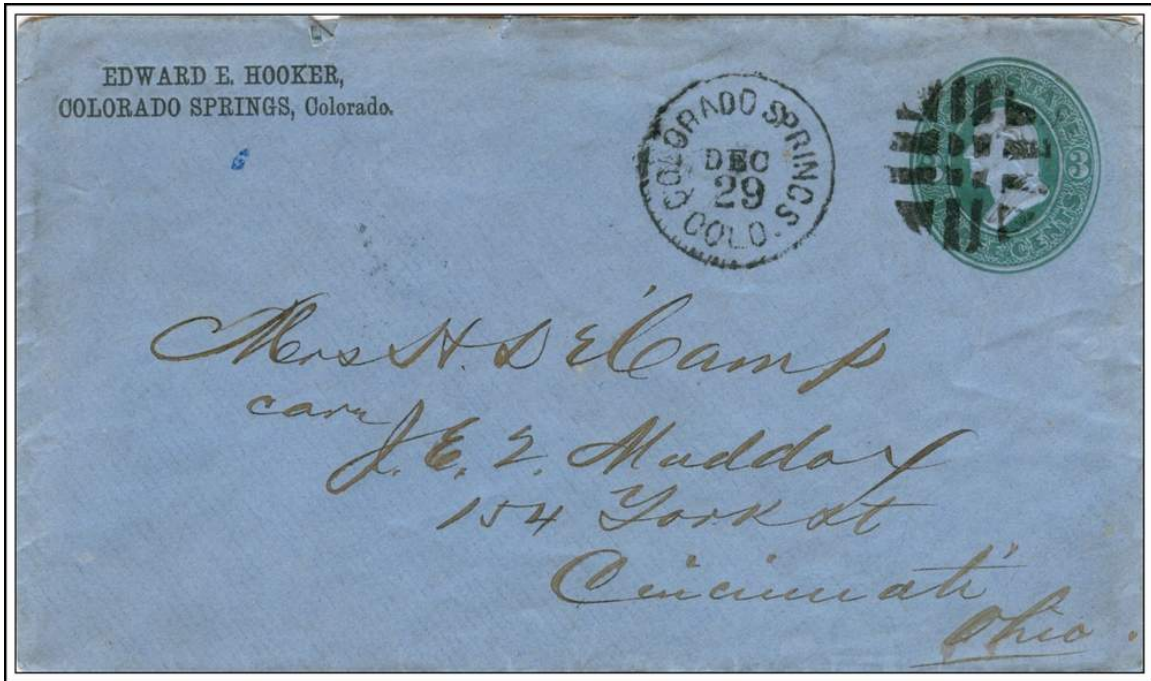
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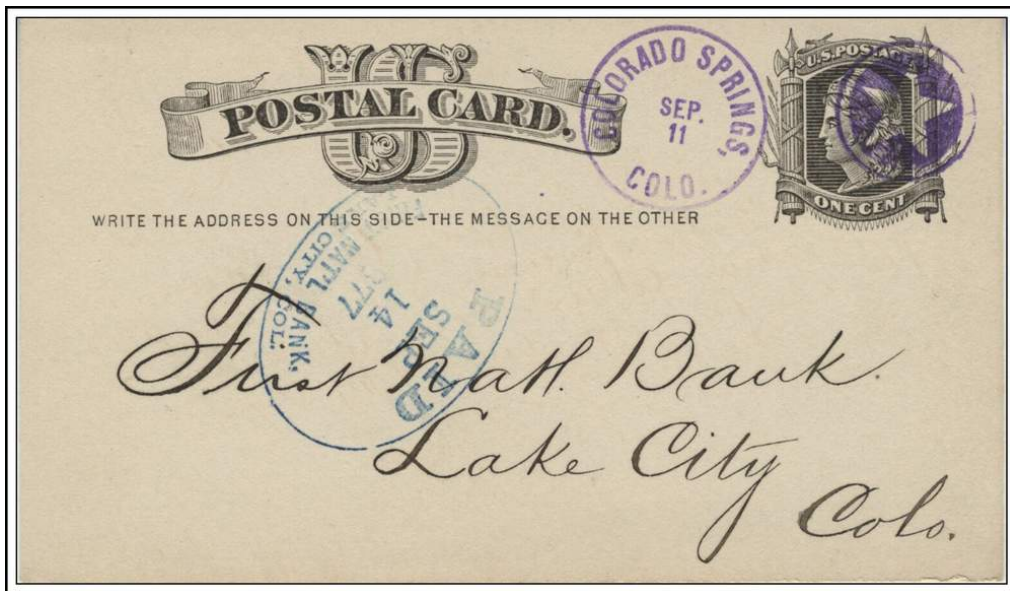
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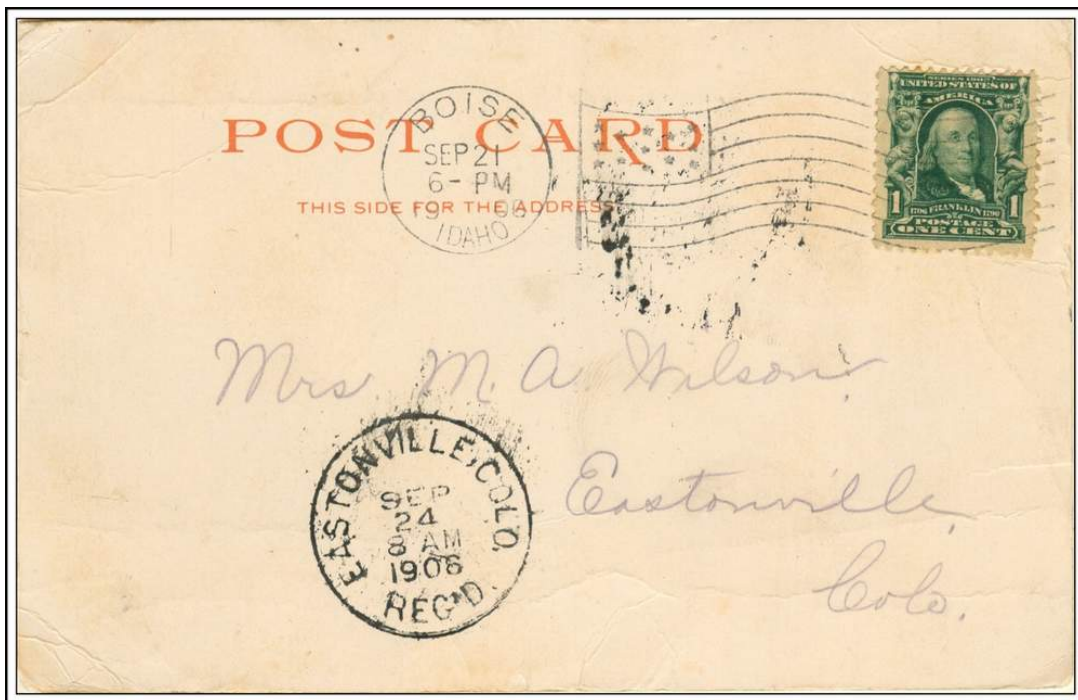
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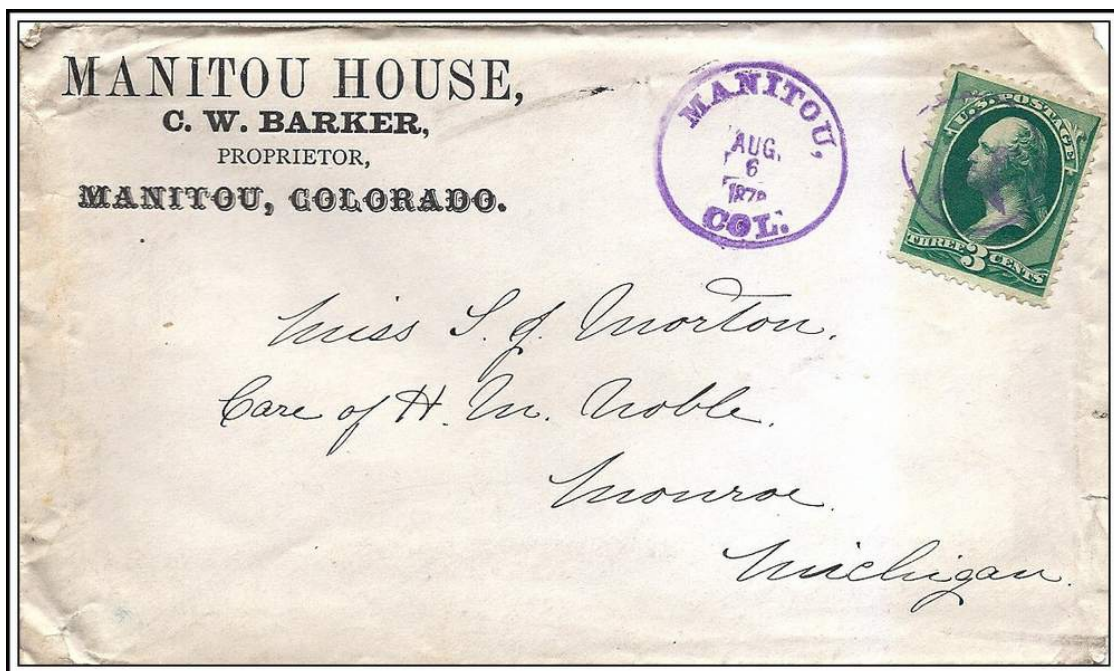


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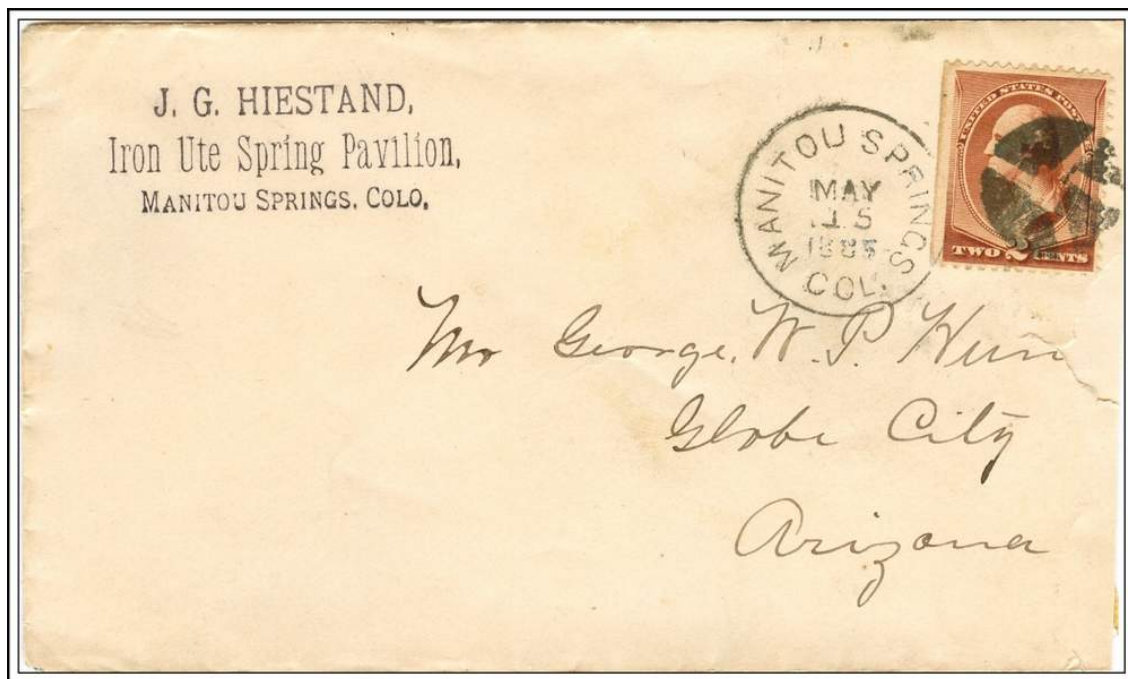


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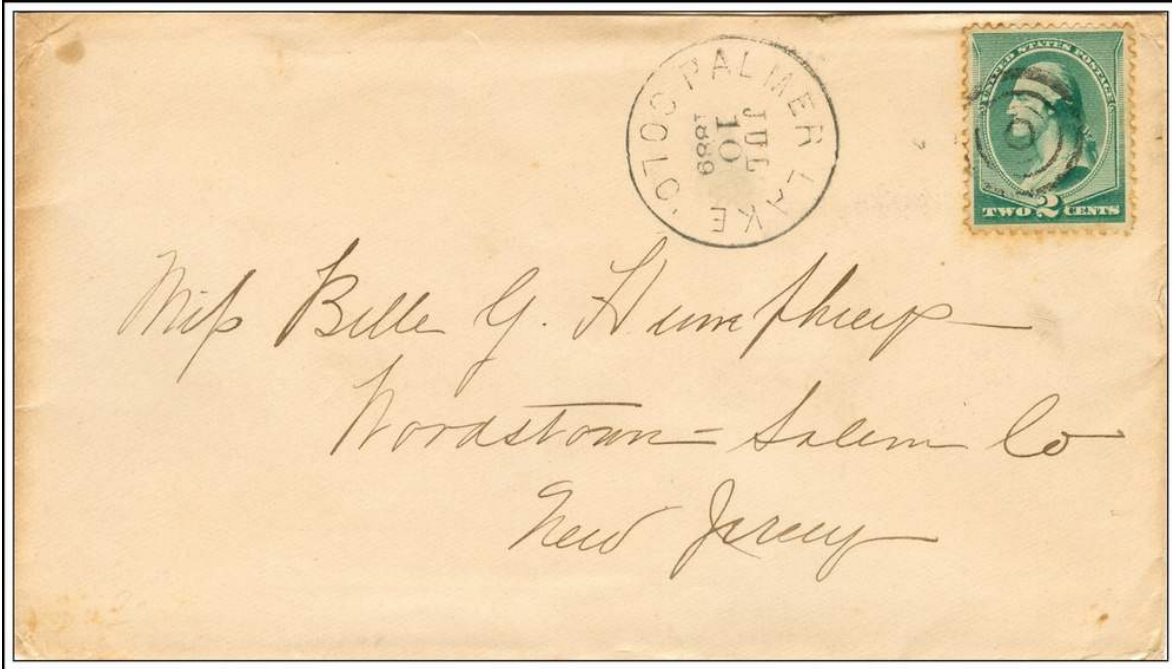


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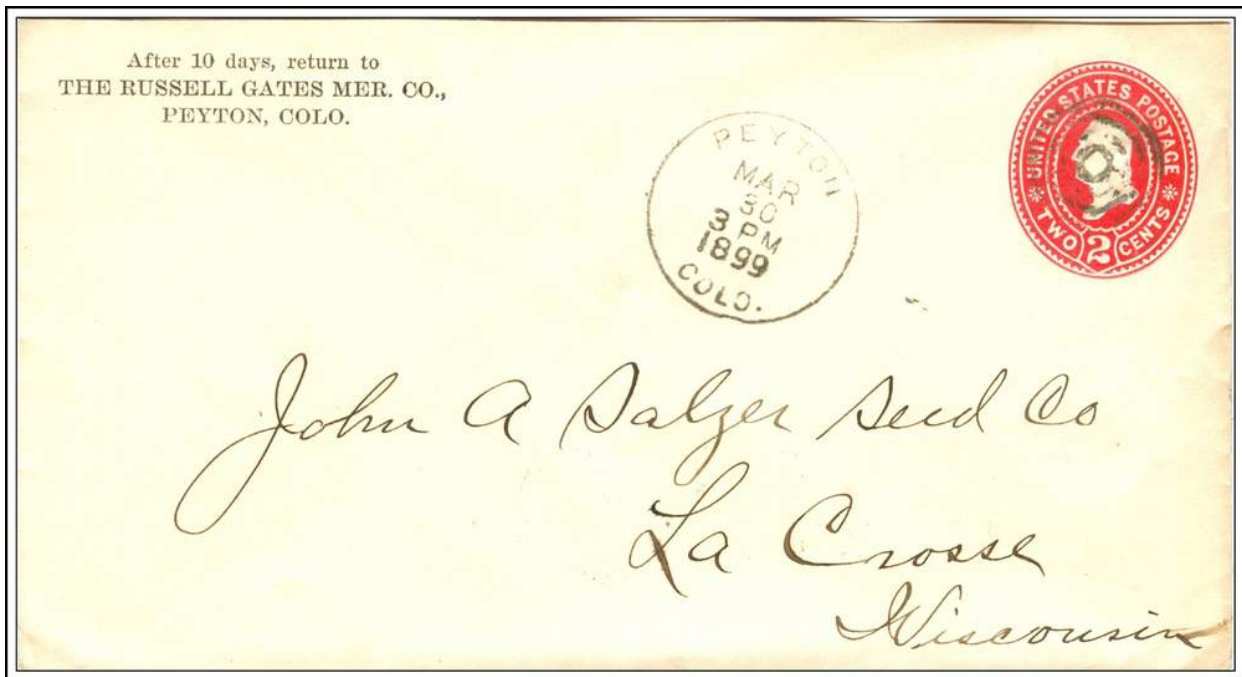
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