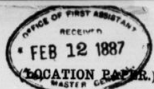


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Post Office Department,

OFFICE OF THE FIRST ASSISTANT P. M. GENERAL,

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 20, 1887.

Madam :

SIR: Before the Postmaster General decides upon the application for the establishment of a post office at Alegria, County of Douglas, State of Colorado, it will be necessary for you to carefully answer the subjoined questions, get a neighboring postmaster to certify to the correctness of the answers, and return the location paper to the Department, addressed to me. If the site selected for the proposed office should not be on any mail route now under contract, only a "Special Office" can be established there, to be supplied with mail from some convenient point on the nearest mail route by a special carrier, for which service a sum equal to two-thirds of the amount of the salary of the postmaster at such office will be paid.

You should inform the contractor, or person performing service for him, of this application, and require him to execute the inclosed certificate as to the practicability of supplying the proposed office with mail, and return the same to the Department.

Very respectfully,

A. E. Stevenson
First Assistant Postmaster General.

To Mr. Eddie O'Brien
care of the Postmaster of Sedalia, who will please forward to him.

STATEMENT.

The proposed office to be called

Alegria Post Office

Select a short name for the proposed office, which, when written, will not resemble the name of any other post office in the State.

It will be situated in the SW quarter of Section 17, Township 6 (North or South), 68 Range 58 (East or West), in the County of Douglas, State of Colorado.
It will be on or near route No. Denver to Grand Blk, being the route from Denver to Pueblo on Q & N R R to Sedalia, on which the mail is now carried Daily both ways.
The contractor's name is Geo. H. Hays.
Will it be directly on this route?—Ans. No.
If not, how far from, and on which side of it?—Ans. None.
How much will it INCREASE the travel of the mail one way each trip?—Ans. None.
Where will the mail leave the present route to supply the proposed office?—Ans. From Sedalia.
Where intersect the route again?—Ans. None.
What post office will be left out by this change?—Ans. None.
If not on any route, is a "Special Office" wanted?—Ans. No. To be supplied from Denver to Grand Blk.
The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, on the same route, is Sedalia.
Its distance is eight miles in a South westerly direction from the proposed office.
The name of the nearest office on the same route, on the other side, is Sedalia.
Its distance is eight miles in a North westerly direction from the proposed office.
The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, not on this route, is Platte Canon.
distance by the most direct road eight miles in a North westerly direction from the proposed office.
The name of the most prominent river near it is Platte.
The name of the nearest creek is Platte.
The proposed office will be three miles from said river, on the South West side of it, and will be half miles from said nearest creek, on the East side of it.
The name of the nearest railroad is Denver to Grand Blk.
If on the line of or near a railroad, on which side will the office be located; how far from the track; and what is, or will be, the name of the station?—Ans. East side, 150 feet, Alegria.
What will be the distance from the proposed site to the nearest any station?—Ans. 150 feet.
State name of station: Alegria.
What will be the distance from the proposed site to the nearest station at which mail trains make regular stops?—Ans. eight miles.
State name of station? Sedalia & Siltation.
If the proposed office is located where it can be supplied from a crane or flag station, or located over 80 rods from the station where mail trains make regular stops, will the mail be carried to and from the proposed office without expense to the Department?—Ans. No.

If it be a village, state the number of inhabitants.—Ans. Denver family Population 35.
Also, the population to be supplied by the proposed office.—Ans. Two hundred.

A diagram, or sketch from a map, showing the position of the proposed new office, with neighboring river or creek, roads, and other post offices, towns, or villages near it, will be useful, and is therefore desired.

A correct map of the locality might be furnished by the county surveyor, but this must be without expense to the Post Office Department.

ALL WHICH I CERTIFY to be correct and true, according to the best of my knowledge and belief, this Eight day of

February 1887 (to Sign full name.) Alip. Eddie O'Brien, Proposed P. M.

I CERTIFY that I have examined the foregoing statement, and that it is correct and true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. H. Armstrong
Postmaster at Custer Rock
Colorado

(OVER.)

Geo. Manhart P.M.
Sedalia

Douglas Co Colo

Be careful to answer the inquiries fully and accurately, or the case will not be acted upon.

(No. 30.)



POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT, CONTRACT OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, *Mar. 10*, 187*4* A

Sir:

To enable the Topographer of this Department to determine, with as much accuracy as possible, the relative positions of Post Offices, so that they may be correctly delineated on its maps, the Postmaster General requests you to fill up the spaces and answer the questions below, and return the same, verified by your signature and dated, under cover to this Office.

Respectfully, &c.,

John D. Bennett
Second Assistant Postmaster General.

To POSTMASTER AT

Acquia
Douglas Co
Colorado

The (P. O. Dept.) name of my office is *Acquia*Its local name is *Acquia*It is situated in the *South W.* quarter of Section No. 17, in Township*Six (6)* (north or south), Range *Sixty eight (68)* (~~one~~ west), County *Douglas, State of Col. Colorado*The name of the most prominent river near it is *Platte*The name of the nearest creek is *Blum*This office is *two* miles from said river, on the *East* side of it, and is *one* $\frac{1}{4}$ *fourth* mile from said nearest creek, on the *N. E.* side of it.The name of the nearest office on route No. *is* *Stedalia*, and its distance is *Eight* miles, by the traveled road, in a *S. E.* direction from this my office.The name of the nearest office, on the *same* route, on the other side, is *Littleton* and its distance is *7 1/2* miles in a *North* direction from this my office.The name of the nearest office off the route is *Settlement*, and its distance by the most direct road is *7 1/2* miles in a *North E* direction from this my office.This office is at a distance of *150 ft* from the *Acquia* Station of the *D. & R. S.* Railroad, on the *East* side of the railroad.

State, under this, the names of all other offices near your office, in different directions from it, and their distances from it by the most direct roads.

then 15 Miles Pottery near

* If the town, village, or site of the Post Office, be known by another name than that of the Post Office, state that other name here, that it may be identified on the map of the State (or Territory).

☐ A diagram of the township and sections (or, where the land is not so divided, a sketch map), showing the precise location of your office, together with the adjoining Post Offices, towns, or villages, the roads, railroads, and larger streams or creeks, in addition to the above, will be useful, and is desired.—See diagram blank accompanying this, to be filled up.)

(Signature of Postmaster.)

John Bennett

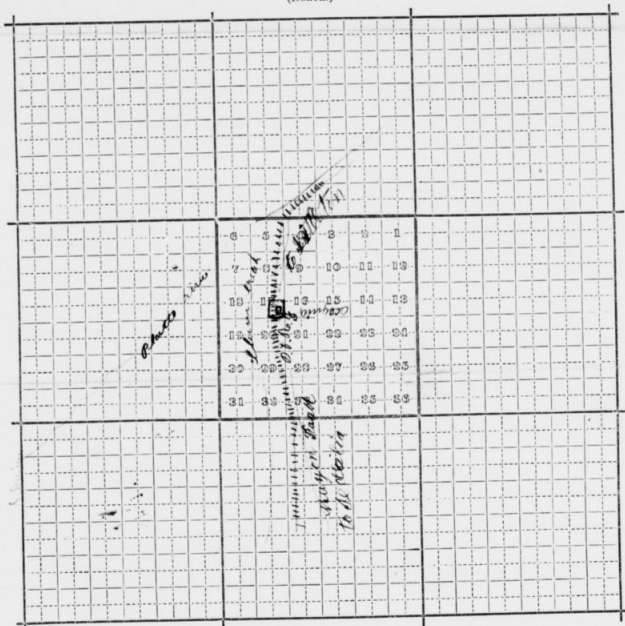
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March 21. 1874

Diagram showing the site of the *Acquia* Post Office
in Township *Six* *East* Range *6* *West* of *6* Principal
Meridian, County of *County Fauquier* *St* State
of *Colorado*, with the adjacent Townships and Post
Offices.

It is requested that the exact site of the proposed, or existing Post Office, as also the roads to the adjoining offices, and the larger streams or rivers, be marked on this diagram, to be returned as soon as possible to the Post Office Department. If on, or near a railroad, mark the railroad and adjacent station accurately.

(NORTH)

Scale $\frac{1}{4}$ inch to the mile

(SOUTH.)