

Post Office Department,

OFFICE OF THE FIRST ASSISTANT P. M. GENERAL.

WASHINGTON, D. C.,

12/19

1884.

Sir: Before the Postmaster General decides upon the application for the establishment of a post office at

McGerran

County of

El Paso

State

of Colo., 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. Stearns
First Assistant Postmaster General.

To H. W. Smith & Co.

care of the Postmaster of

Colo. Spgs

, who will please forward to him.

STATEMENT.

The proposed office to be called

McFerran

Newfield

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 NW quarter of Section 15 Township 14 Range 6S West of the County of Adams State of Colo.
It will be on or near route No. 1, being the route from Manitou Junction, Colo. to Granville, Adams Co. Colo., on which the mail is now carried once times per week.
The contractor's name is None.
Will it be directly on this route?—Yes.
If not, how far from, and on which side of it?—None.
How much will it INCREASE the travel of the mail one way each trip?—None.
Where will the mail leave the present route to supply the proposed office?—None.
Where intersect the route again?—None.
What post office will be left out by this change?—None.
If not on any route, is a "Special Office" wanted?—Yes. To be supplied from Granville, Adams Co. Colo.
The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, on the same route, is Granville, Adams Co. Colo. its distance is 2 1/2 miles. S. easterly direction from the proposed office.
The name of the nearest office on the same route, on the other side, is Colo. Spgs, Colo. its distance is Nine miles in a Northwesterly direction from the proposed office.
The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, not on this route, is Granville, Adams Co. Colo. distance by the most direct road Seven miles in a Northwesterly direction from the proposed office.
The name of the most prominent river near it is None.
The name of the nearest creek is Jimmy Camp.
The proposed office will be 1/2 miles from said river, on the East side of it, and will be 1/2 miles from said nearest creek, on the East side of it.
The name of the nearest railroad is C. & N. Ry.
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?—Northside, 1500 ft. McGerran.
What will be the distance from the proposed site to the nearest flag station?—Yes, Manitou Junction, 2 miles.
State name of station: Manitou Junction.
What will be the distance from the proposed site to the nearest station at which mail trains make regular stops?—Yes, 2 miles.
State name of station: Manitou Junction.
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?—Not on Ry. Not to be carried by Ry.
If it be a village, state the number of inhabitants.—Yes, 100.
Also, the population to be supplied by the proposed office.—Yes, 100.
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 this Post Office Department.

AND WHERE I CERTIFY to be correct and true, according to the best of my knowledge and belief, this Second day of January, 1884.

(Sign full name)

Lester P. Merriman
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.

Postmaster at

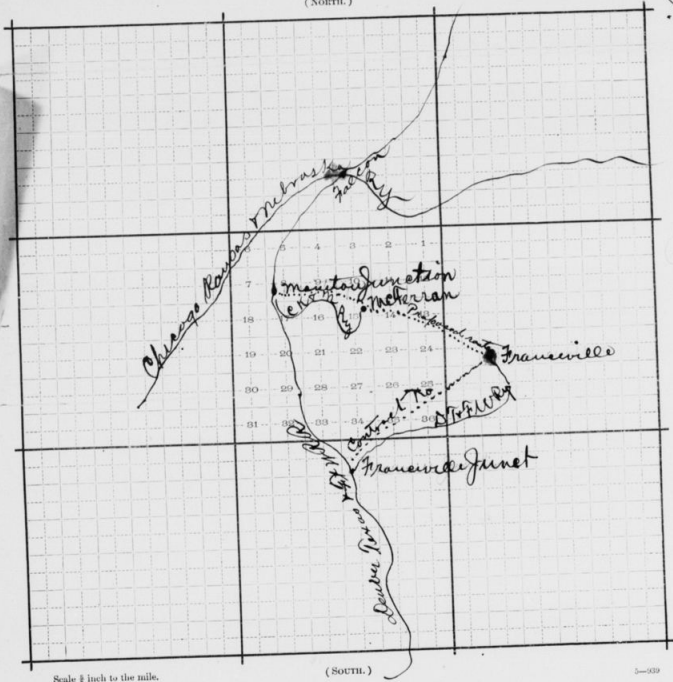
Charles G. Stearns
El Paso, Colo. Colorado
(OVER.)

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

Diagram showing the site of the *McFerran* Post Office,
in Township _____ (N. or S.), Range _____ (E. or W.) of _____ Principal
Meridian, County of *El Paso*, 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.

(NORTH.)



McLean bds.