



Post Office Department,

OFFICE OF THE FIRST ASSISTANT P. M. GENERAL,

WASHINGTON, D. C.,

Mar 22, 1884.

SIR: Before the Postmaster General decides upon the application for the establishment of a post office at Roswell, 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 Mr. _____ care of the Postmaster of Colo. Spgs., who will please forward to him.

STATEMENT.

Roswell

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 North-west quarter of Section 31, Township 13, Range 6E, East or West, of 6E, in the County of El Paso, State of Colorado.

It will be on Section No. 31 being the route from Denver to Leadville and to Salida, on which the mail is now carried forty-two times per week.

The contractor's name is Denver, El Paso, R. R. Co.

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?—Roswell, El Paso Co., Colo.

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 _____.

The name of the nearest office on the proposed one, on the same route is Colorado Springs, El Paso Co., Colo.

its distance is two and one-half (2 1/2) miles in a Southerly direction from the proposed office.

The name of the nearest office on the same route, on the other side, is Edgerton, El Paso County, Colo.

its distance is five and one-half (5 1/2) miles in a Northerly direction from the proposed office.

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, not on this route, is Colorado City, El Paso Co., Colo.

distance by the most direct road five (5) miles in a Southerly direction from the proposed office.

The name of the most prominent river near it is there is none near it.

The name of the nearest creek is Mountain.

The proposed office will be _____ miles from said river, on the _____ side of it, and will be say 200 feet from said nearest creek, on the _____ side of it.

The name of the nearest railroad is D. & G. R. R. & C. R. R. & C. R. R. (junction of these railways)

If on the line of or near a railroad, on which side will the office be located; how far from the track; and whether, or will be, the _____ of the _____.

What will be the distance from the proposed site to the nearest flag station?—Edgerton, Colo. on D. & G. R. R. 5 1/2 miles

State name of station: Edgerton, Colo.

What will be the distance from the proposed site to the nearest station at which mail trains make regular stops?—say 150 feet

State name of station: Roswell, El Paso County, Colorado

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?—Yes

If it be a village, state the number of inhabitants.—About 450

Also, the population to be supplied by the proposed office.—About 500

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 _____ day of _____ 1884.

(To Sign full name.) Ellis Laura Ella Churchill, 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.

Robert Meyer
Postmaster at Colorado Spgs.

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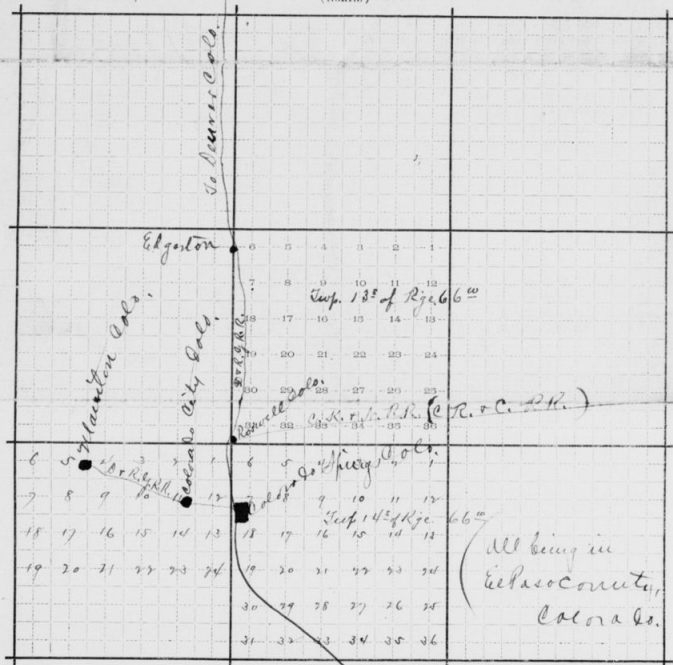
Be careful to answer the inquiries fully and accurately, or the case will not be acted upon.

Diagram showing the site of the *Roswell*

in Township 13 ~~W. or S.~~ Range 66 ~~W. or W. 2 of the 6th~~ Principal Meridian, County of *El Paso* 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.)



Scale 1/2 inch to the mile.

(SOUTH.)

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Roswell
Colo.