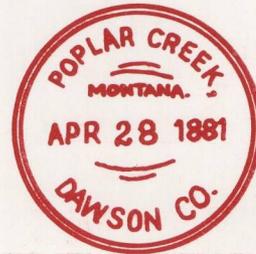
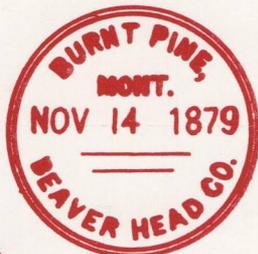
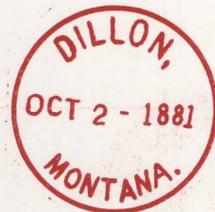


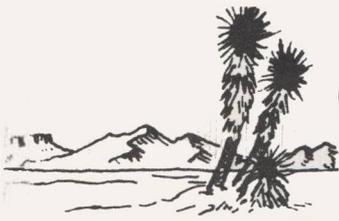
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## NINETEENTH CENTURY POST OFFICES OF CLATSOP COUNTY, OREGON

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Much has been written of early seafarers exploring the Oregon coast, of the discovery of the Columbia River by Captain Robert Gray, and of the overland expedition of Lewis and Clark in 1805-06. A history of the nineteenth century post offices of Clatsop County is concerned with a somewhat later era, but its geographic focus encompasses the same territory. Clatsop District, later to become Clatsop County, was created by the provisional legislature by an act passed June 22, 1844. It was carved from northwestern Twality District, and named for a Chinookan tribe who formerly lived along the south bank of the Columbia between Tongue Point and the ocean. The 820 square mile area consists of rugged mountains of the Coast Range; densely forested and cut by numerous rivers and streams. Early pioneers were attracted to the low sandy hills of the Clatsop Plains between Youngs Bay and Tillamook Head, but the limited fertility of the soil soon discouraged many of the farmers.

Astoria, the first commercial settlement on the Pacific Coast built by Americans in 1811, was transferred to British control in 1813. Many years later Fort George, as the fur-trading post was called by the British, reverted to American control, and once again became known as Astoria. Astoria's early growth was slow. In 1834 the community consisted of "one principal building building of hewn boards, surrounded with a number of Indian huts."<sup>(1)</sup> There were only about four acres under cultivation, and the only white resident was James Birnie, the Hudson's Bay trader. Ten years later, after American settlement of Oregon had begun in earnest, Astoria was home to four white residents. In addition to Birnie, there was John M. Shively, an engineer who arrived in 1843, Col. John McClure, and A. E. Wilson. After 1844, however, the development of Astoria proceeded more rapidly. In 1846 survivors of the wreck of the U. S. Shark constructed a large crude log building in Astoria which became known as "Shark House." Pioneer families made use of the structure, three or four families at a time, until they could build their own homes. There were 95 white residents of Clatsop District in 1846. Most of them lived on donation land claims in the Clatsop Plains.

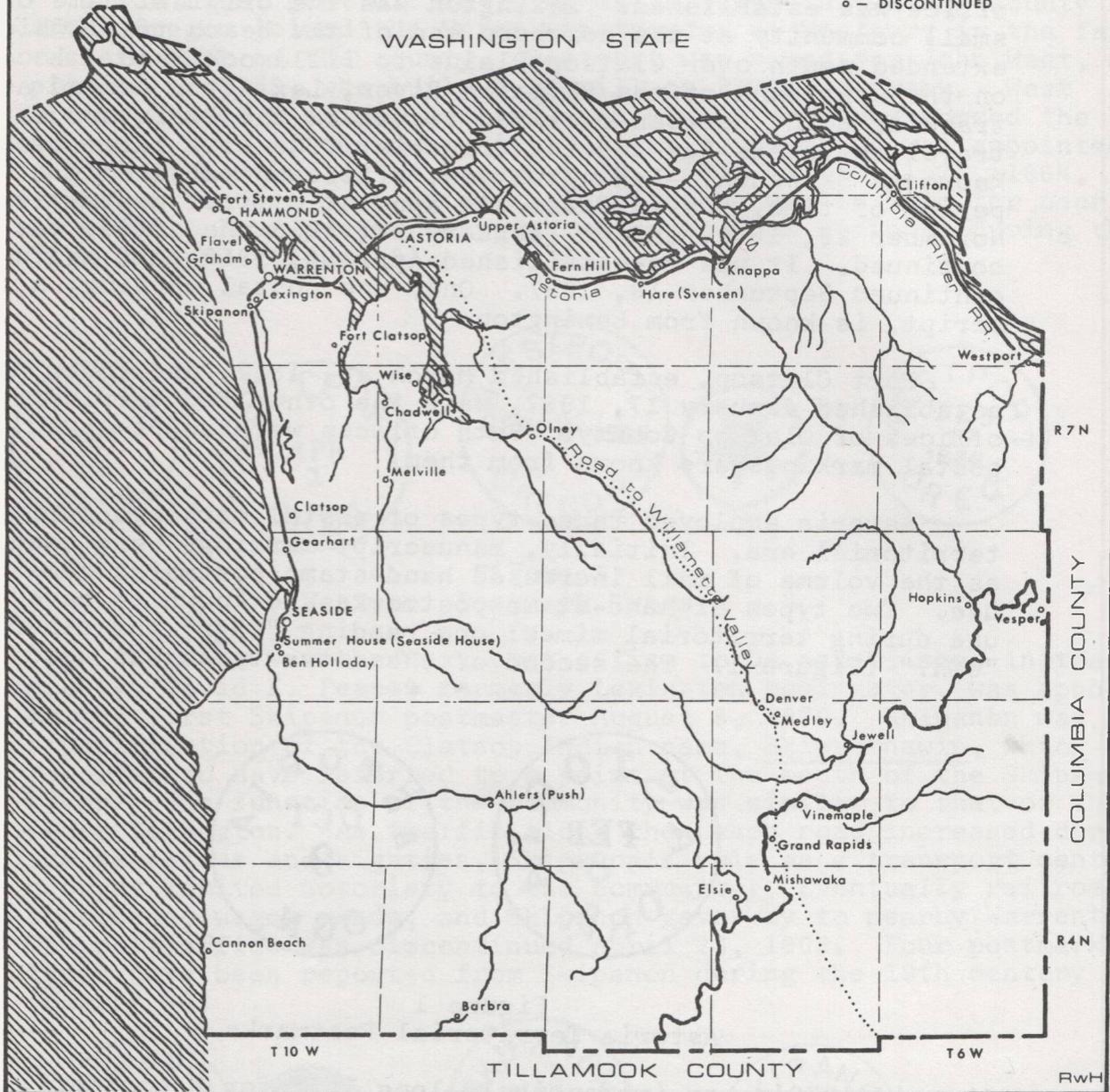
In 1846 John Shively made a trip to Washington, D. C. He returned the following year with a commission as postmaster of Astoria. His appointment was dated March 9, 1847. Astoria had been awarded the first post office on the Pacific Coast. Once back in Astoria, Shively opened the office in his home which was located on what later became 15th Street between Exchange and Franklin. The building was torn down in 1907.

# CLATSOP COUNTY



NINETEENTH CENTURY POST OFFICES

- — OPERATING
- — DISCONTINUED



The Astoria post office was the first of 42 offices established in Clatsop County during the nineteenth century. Only five of these are still in operation: Astoria, Seaside, Hammond, Warrenton, and Gearhart, which is now an independent branch of the Seaside office.

Three post offices were established in Clatsop County in addition to Astoria during Oregon's territorial period. In 1850, when the county's population stood at 462, the Lexington post office was established. Lexington was the original name of the small community at the northern end of the beach trail which extended south over Clatsop Plains to Tillamook Head. Located on the west bank of the Skipanon River, Lexington served as a transfer point between overland travel on the Plain and water travel on Youngs Bay and the Columbia. The site later became known as Skipanon. Lexington post office operated only a short period of time. David Pease was appointed first postmaster on November 28, 1850, and on February 24, 1853 the office was discontinued. It was re-established April 3, 1856, but again discontinued September 18, 1857. Only one postal marking, a manuscript, is known from Lexington.

Fort Clatsop, established March 10, 1852, and Lower Astoria, established January 17, 1857, were the other two territorial post offices of Clatsop County. Both offices were short-lived, and no postal markings are known from them.

Astoria employed three types of postal markings during the territorial era. Initially, manuscript markings were used, but as the volume of mail increased hand-stamp postmarks came into use. Two types of hand-stamp postmarks are known to have been in use during territorial times: one reading "ORgn" the other reading "OGN." (Figure 1) The second of these two types was used until

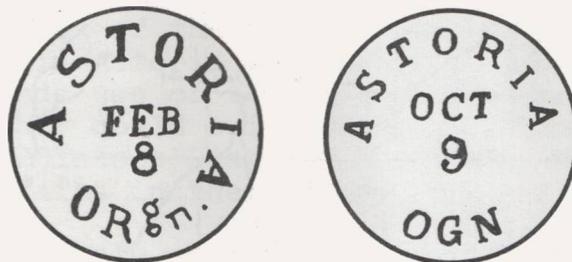


Figure 1  
Astoria Territorial Postmarks

the mid-1870's, an impressively long life for a postmark. Later postmark types used at Astoria are shown in Figure 2 below.



Figure 2  
Astoria Postmark Types 5, 6, & 8

The first post office to be established in Clatsop County after Oregon joined the Union was located at Westport in the far eastern part of the county. Westport was named for John West, a pioneer of 1850, who built a sawmill on Plympton Creek. West also operated a salmon cannery, and his enterprises formed the economic base of the community. Silas B. Plympton was appointed the first postmaster on December 18, 1863. On April 25, 1864, John West became postmaster, a position he was to hold for nearly 25 years. Four postmark types are known from Westport during the 19th century (Figure 3).



Figure 3  
Westport Postmark Types 1 - 4

Skipanon was the next post office to be established in the county. David E. Pease, formerly Lexington postmaster, was appointed the first Skipanon postmaster August 8, 1870. Skipanon was a simplification of the Clatsop Indian name, Skippernawin, which is reported to have referred to a point at the mouth of the Skipanon river. The function of the community was similar to that of the older Lexington. As traffic along the beach road increased during the seventies and eighties, Skipanon's role as a transport center brought limited notoriety to the community. Eventually railroads superceded wagon roads, and Skipanon gave way to nearby Warrenton. The post office was discontinued April 23, 1903. Four postmark types have been reported from Skipanon during the 19th century (Figure 4).



Figure 4

Summer House was the name of the first post office established to serve the resort hotel of railroad magnate Ben Holladay. The office was established December 1, 1871, with the appointment of A. J. Clontire as postmaster. A year and a half later the name of the office, and presumably the hotel, was changed to Seaside House. Gradually, a resort community grew-up around the hotel, and on March 29, 1882, the name of the post office was shortened to Seaside. The original Seaside House hotel was located about a mile south of the present business section of the town. Oddly, no 19th century postmarks are known from the Seaside post office under any of its three names. [See Editor's Comments].

Knappa post office was established June 27, 1872. The community was named in honor of Aaron Knapp, Jr., a pioneer settler and the first postmaster. Knappa post office was located on the south bank of the Columbia River opposite Karlson Island, and about midway between Astoria and Westport. Three different postmark types are known from Knappa during the 19th century. All of these are illustrated in Figure 5.



Figure 5  
Knappa Postmark Types 1 - 3

Clifton post office was named descriptively for the steep cliffs above the Columbia River at its site. The office was established January 6, 1874, with the appointment of Vincent Cook, its first postmaster. Cook, together with his brother, operated a pioneer salmon cannery in the community. The four known 19th century Clifton postmark types are illustrated in Figure 6.

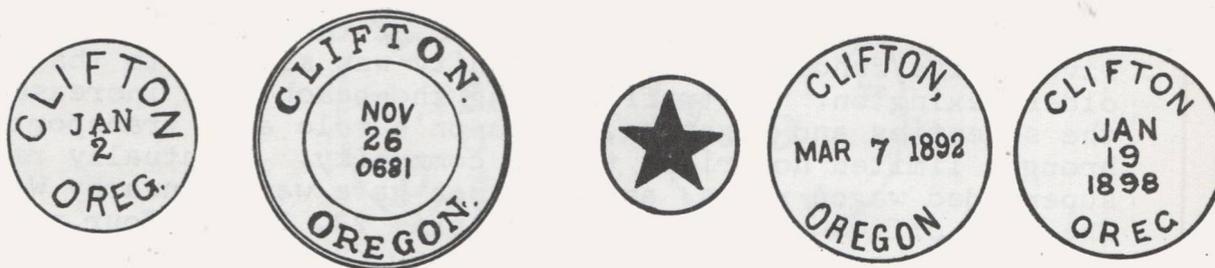


Figure 6  
Clifton Postmark Types 1 - 4

Jewell post office became the first office to serve settlers along the Nehalem River in Clatsop County in late 1874. It was established with the appointment of William K. Kirkpatrick on December 23, but it is most unlikely that actual operations began before spring 1875. The office is said to have been named for Marshall Jewell, Postmaster General of the United States between 1874 and 1876. Only two examples of postal markings are known from Jewell during the 19th century. The earliest is a manuscript dated May 8, 1878, and the latest is illustrated in Figure 7.



Figure 7  
Jewell Postmark Type 2

The need for local postal services at Olney, a farming community a few miles southeast of Astoria on the road to the Willamette Valley, was recognized by the establishment of a post office there March 12, 1875. Mrs. Mary A. Gray was appointed the first postmaster, and the community was named in honor of Cyrus Olney, Supreme Justice of Oregon Territory from 1853 to 1857. One 19th century postmark type has been recorded from Olney.

In 1876 the Fort Clatsop post office was re-opened at approximately the same location as the earlier one which saw service from 1852 to 1855. On March 19, 1877, Christian Leinenweber was appointed postmaster of an office named Upper Astoria. It was located about a mile and a half east of Astoria's main business district. Upper Astoria operated only until November 17, 1879. It was re-established January 21, 1886, but closed for good on September 17th of the same year. No postal markings are known from Upper Astoria, but given its brief existence that is not surprising.

Mishawaka became the second Nehalem Valley post office with the appointment of James F. Kimberlin on March 26, 1878. The office was apparently named for Mishawaka, Indiana, but the reason for this choice is unknown. Two Mishawaka postmark types are known: a manuscript and the type illustrated in Figure 8. Mishawaka was discontinued March 15, 1901.



Figure 8

Vesper post office was reportedly named by its first postmaster for the evening star. William Johnston was appointed postmaster January 30, 1879, for the office which was to be shifted back and forth between Clatsop and Columbia counties throughout its forty year existence. Originally, Vesper post office was located near the eastern border of Clatsop County on the Nehalem River. Only two Vesper postal markings are known from the 19th century. The first of these two types is shown in Figure 9.



Figure 9  
Vesper Postmark Type 1

Fern Hill post office was established with the appointment of Mrs. Mary A. Dennis as postmaster October 24, 1879. This office was in operation only a few months more than a year being discontinued April 1, 1881. The name of the post office undoubtedly was meant to reflect the heavy fern growth of northwestern Oregon. One example of a Fern Hill postal marking is known. It is a manuscript dated May 19, 1880.

Another very short lived post office was established November 8, 1880. The name of the office was Graham, and its first postmaster was Carlton B. Allen. Little is known of the Graham office which was discontinued June 24, 1881. A place named Graham is shown on an 1887 map of Oregon. It is located two or three miles northwest of Skipanon, and it seems probable that the short lived office was meant to operate in that vicinity. The possibility exists that the Graham office was never in operation.

Chadwell post office, a few miles south of Miles Crossing in the Tucker Creek area, was named for the former home of its first postmaster. William True, of Chadwell, England, was appointed the first postmaster on February 20, 1882. The post office never handled a large volume of business, and on July 27, 1898 it was discontinued. Only one postmark type is known from Chadwell. It is illustrated in Figure 10.

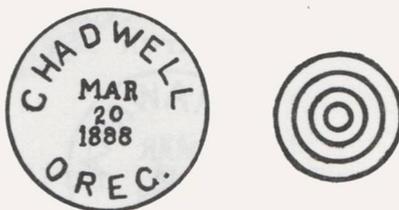


Figure 10  
Chadwell Postmark Type 1

Denver post office was named after its first postmaster, William J. Denver. Postmaster Denver was appointed May 26, 1884, and he served throughout the entire life of the office which was discontinued October 31, 1888. The Denver post office was located on the road to the Willamette Valley, about 4 miles northwest of Jewell. Two types of Denver postmarks are known: the earliest is a manuscript, and the latest is illustrated in Figure 11.



Figure 11  
Denver Postmark Type 2

Twenty-one post offices were established in Clatsop County during the nineties -- a number equal to those started in the preceding 43 years. Medley, Hopkins, and Ben Holladay were all opened in 1890. Medley post office, after William Medley its first postmaster, was located in the same vicinity as the Denver office. It was discontinued September 26, 1900. Hopkins post office, after its first postmaster Thomas Hopkins, was located in the Nehalem Valley about six miles northeast of Jewell. This office was discontinued November 15, 1892, but was subsequently re-established April 10, 1894, and continued in operation until June 20, 1902. Ben Holladay post office operated for less than a year (June 13, 1890 - April 9, 1891). It was named for the founder of Seaside House, and probably operated in that resort hotel. No postmarks are known from Hopkins or Ben Holladay, and the only known Medley postmark type is illustrated in Figure 12.



Figure 12  
Medley Postmark Type 1

Four offices were established in 1891: Melville, Cannon Beach, Hare, and Vinemaple. Melville was named for the oldest son of its first postmaster, Wilthea S. Ingalls. It was located in the Lewis and Clark Valley a few miles northeast of the present town of Gearhart. Cannon Beach post office was located near Hug

Point. It was named for the small cannon from the deck of the wrecked schooner Shark, which washed ashore near the place the Cannon Beach post office stood. This office was several miles south of the present-day community of the same name. James P. Austin was the first postmaster, and the office was discontinued November 2, 1901. The Cannon Beach post office operating today was created by change of name from Ecola, May 25, 1922. Hare was a short-lived post office in the vicinity of Svensen. The office was named for James W. Hare, who was postmaster at Astoria when Hare was established. On November 7, 1895, the name of the office was changed to Svensen. Vinemaple post office was named for the vine maple, a shrub which grows over a wide area of western Oregon. Henry V. Birchard was the first Vinemaple post office, and the Nehalem Valley office was discontinued May 12, 1902, when its name was changed to Grand Rapids. No postmarks are known from the 19th century from any of these offices.

Four more post offices were established in 1892. Warrenton, near the Columbia on the Skipanon River, has become an important industrial town as well as the home port for a large fishing fleet. It was named for D. K. Warren, an early settler. Barbra was a logging camp near the southern edge of the county on the North Fork of Nehalem River. The office was named for the wife of its first and only postmaster, Thomas Mitchell. Elsie is a small community near the Nehalem River. It was named in honor of Elsie Foster, a relative of George Gragg, the first postmaster. Grand Rapids, also on the Nehalem River, was intended to be developed into a furniture manufacturing center utilizing the locally abundant timber. The office was closed July 7, 1897, but it received new life in 1902 when the Vinemaple post office changed its name to Grand Rapids. Grand Rapids finally closed September 21, 1903. Nineteenth century postmarks are known from Barbra and Grand Rapids (Figure 13).



Figure 13

Type 1 Postmarks from Barbra and Grand Rapids

Kindred was originally intended to be the name of the first post office operating on the site of the present town of Hammond, but the authorizing order dated May 19, 1894, was rescinded on August 14, 1894. Clatsop post office was established along the tracks of the Seahorse Railroad between Warrenton and Seaside on July 12, 1894. Alexander Tagg was the first Clatsop postmaster. No 19th century postmarks are known from these two offices.

Three new offices were added to the Clatsop County list in 1895: Wise, Svensen, and Flavel. Wise post office was named for Herman Wise, postmaster of Astoria in 1895. Hugh McCormick was the first Wise postmaster, and the office was closed May 5, 1903, after about eight years of service. Svensen post office honored Peter Svensen, a seafaring pioneer of the area. Flavel post office, approximately three miles west of Warrenton, served a small community built around a dock and a large hotel. Passengers of ships of draft too deep to proceed to Astoria disembarked at Flavel. The office was named for Captain George Flavel. On June 10, 1897, its name was changed to Hammond, although a second Flavel post office was established June 27, 1897, and it continued to operate until 1918. The only postal marking dating from the 19th century known from any of these offices is the Svensen postmark illustrated in Figure 14.



Figure 14  
Svensen Postmark Type 1

Ahlers post office, after Herman Ahlers the first postmaster, was established January 10, 1896. It was located in the Necanicum River valley about 15 miles southeast of Seaside. The name of this office was changed to April 13, 1899. No postmarks of the 19th century are known from either Ahlers or Push.

Two new offices were established in June of 1897. Hammond, named in honor of Andrew H. Hammond, builder of the Astoria and Columbia River Railroad between 1895 and 1898, came into being through the previously mentioned name change from Flavel. The second office was named Gearhart for Philip Gearhart, a pioneer settler on the southern Clatsop Plains. John Waterhouse was appointed the first Gearhart postmaster. The community is primarily a town of beach houses two miles north of Seaside. No 19th century postmarks are known from either Hammond or Gearhart.

Fort Stevens post office, established February 20, 1899, completed the roster of 19th century Clatsop County post offices. The office was named for the military reservation, which was built in 1864, and named in turn for Isaac Ingalls Stevens, one time governor of Washington Territory. The purpose of the fort was to defend the mouth of the Columbia. No Fort Stevens postmarks are known from 1899.

In summary, four Clatsop County post offices were authorized during the territorial era; 21 of the 42 established before 1900 were discontinued during the 19th century. Many of these offices handled a very small volume of mail for very limited

periods of time. Examples of 19th century postmarks are unknown or unrecorded from 24 of the 42 offices. Such material is not easy to locate for even in the 1890's Clatsop County was still sparsely settled. Surely some of our readers have material that could add to or expand our listings. Please contact the authors if you can help.

#### CLATSOP COUNTY POST OFFICES

| Post Office   | Established | Discontinued | Notes                    |
|---------------|-------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| Astoria       | 9 Mar 1847  | Operating    | 1st P. O. on Pacific Cst |
| Lexington     | 28 Nov 1850 | 24 Feb 1853  |                          |
|               | 3 Apr 1856  | 18 Sep 1857  |                          |
| Fort Clatsop  | 10 Mar 1852 | 15 Feb 1855  |                          |
|               | 8 Mar 1876  | 28 Sep 1881  |                          |
| Lower Astoria | 17 Jan 1857 | 2 Apr 1858   |                          |
| Westport      | 18 Dec 1863 | 31 Aug 1959  | Mail to Clatskanie       |
| Skipanon      | 8 Aug 1870  | 23 Apr 1903  | Mail to Warrenton        |
| Summer House  | 1 Dec 1871  | 23 Jul 1873  | Name ch. to Seaside Hse. |
| Knappa        | 27 Jun 1872 | 31 Mar 1943  | Mail to Astoria          |
| Seaside House | 23 Jul 1873 | 29 Mar 1882  | Name ch. to Seaside      |
| Clifton       | 6 Jan 1874  | 31 Mar 1956  | To Clatskanie Rural      |
| Jewell        | 23 Dec 1874 | 16 Jun 1967  | Mail to Seaside          |
| Olney         | 12 Mar 1875 | 31 Oct 1950  | Mail to Astoria          |
| Upper Astoria | 19 Mar 1877 | 17 Nov 1879  |                          |
|               | 21 Jan 1886 | 17 Sep 1886  | Mail to Astoria          |
| Mishawaka     | 26 Mar 1878 | 15 Mar 1901  | Mail to Vinemaple        |
| Vesper        | 30 Jan 1879 | 20 Nov 1919  | Mail to Birkenfeld       |
| Fern Hill     | 24 Oct 1879 | 1 Apr 1881   |                          |
| Graham        | 8 Nov 1880  | 24 Jun 1881  |                          |
| Chadwell      | 20 Feb 1882 | 27 Jul 1898  | Mail to Melville         |
| Seaside       | 29 Mar 1882 | Operating    |                          |
| Denver        | 26 May 1884 | 31 Oct 1888  | Mail to Jewell           |
| Medley        | 7 Jan 1890  | 26 Sep 1900  | Mail to Jewell           |
| Hopkins       | 24 Feb 1890 | 15 Nov 1892  |                          |
|               | 10 Apr 1894 | 20 Jun 1902  | Mail to Vesper           |
| Ben Holladay  | 13 Jun 1890 | 9 Apr 1891   |                          |
| Melville      | 7 Feb 1891  | 9 Nov 1922   | Mail to Astoria          |
| Hare          | 25 Apr 1891 | 7 Nov 1895   | Name ch. to Svensen      |
| Vinemaple     | 6 May 1891  | 12 May 1902  | Name ch. to Grand Rapids |
| Cannon Beach  | 29 May 1891 | 2 Nov 1901   | Mail to Seaside          |
| Warrenton     | 8 Feb 1892  | Operating    |                          |
| Barbra        | 24 May 1892 | 26 May 1900  | Mail to Nehalem          |
| Elsie         | 1 Nov 1892  | 1 Dec 1943   | Mail to Jewell           |
| Grand Rapids  | 28 Dec 1892 | 7 Jul 1897   | Mail to Vinemaple        |
| Kindred       | 19 May 1894 | 14 Aug 1894  | Rescinded                |
| Clatsop       | 12 Jul 1894 | 25 Jul 1919  | Mail to Warrenton        |
| Wise          | 3 Jun 1895  | 5 May 1903   | Mail to Astoria          |
| Svensen       | 7 Nov 1895  | 30 Nov 1944  | Mail to Astoria          |
| Flavel (1)    | 22 Nov 1895 | 10 Jun 1897  | Name ch. to Hammond      |
| Ahlers        | 10 Jan 1896 | 13 Apr 1899  | Name ch. to Push         |
| Hammond       | 10 Jun 1897 | Operating    |                          |
| Gearhart      | 11 Jun 1897 | 27 Oct 1961  | To Seaside Branch        |

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| OLNEY (1875 - 1950)    |      |     |               |               |             |                 |           |
| 1.                     | 5    |     | C1EN1B27      | 10???91       | 19Oct94     | Target          |           |
| SKIPANON (1870 - 1903) |      |     |               |               |             |                 |           |
| 1.                     | 6    | M   |               | 2Sep74        | 26Feb75     |                 |           |
| 2.                     | 7    |     | C1EN1RRB26.5  | 20Oct79       |             | Star/circle     | ill.      |
| 3.                     | 4    |     | C1EN1B27      | 19Nov83       | 2Mar85      | Target          | ill.      |
| 4.                     | 4    |     | C1EN1BBR27.5  | 26Jul92       |             |                 | ill.(b/s) |
| SVENSON (1895 - 1944)  |      |     |               |               |             |                 |           |
| 1.                     | 6    |     | C1EN1B27      | 29Sep98       |             | Target          | ill.      |
| VESPER (1879 - 1919)   |      |     |               |               |             |                 |           |
| 1.                     | 7    |     | C2EN1RRB26    | 19Jan89       |             | Target          | ill.      |
| 2.                     | 5    |     | C1EN1B27.5    | 1Mar99        |             |                 |           |
| WESTPORT (1863 - 1959) |      |     |               |               |             |                 |           |
| 1.                     | 6    |     | C1EA1BBR24.5  | 7Sep75        |             |                 | ill.      |
| 2.                     | 6    |     | C1EA1R28.5    | 1Dec78        | 1Apr??      | Star/circle?    | ill.      |
| 3.                     | 5    |     | C1JS1B31      | 7Mar81r       | 9Mar87      | Star/circle     | ill.      |
| 4.                     | 4    |     | C1EN1BBR26.5  | 17Feb86       | 7Sep94      | Target          | ill.      |

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NOTES: ??? - indicates an estimate or questionable entry.  
b/s - indicates back-stamp  
ill. - indicates postmark type is illustrated in article

Astoria Types 3 and 4 are the same postmark, but since a territorial usage implies considerable increase in value it has been listed as two types. This postmark was in use for over 20 years at Astoria, and may well be a record period of use.

#### ADDENDA

FERN HILL (1879 - 1881)  
1. 8 M

19May80

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#### CLATSOP COUNTY POST OFFICES (continued)

| Post Office  | Established | Discontinued | Notes                 |
|--------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| Flavel (2)   | 27 Jun 1897 | 11 May 1918  | Mail to Hammond       |
| Fort Stevens | 20 Feb 1899 | 31 Jan 1949  |                       |
| Push         | 13 Apr 1899 | 25 May 1907  | Name ch. to Necanicum |

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## THE POST OFFICES OF WYOMING: PART IX, JOHNSON COUNTY

By Daniel Y. Meschter and Ruth Dolezal

Johnson County was taken from the northern third of Carbon County and an adjacent part of Sweetwater County so that, in its original form, it stretched from the western boundary of Crook County to the Big Horn River on the far side of the Big Horn Mountains. The county was erected on December 8, 1875, the same day Crook County was created (La Posta, Vol. 4, No. 5), and the area was originally named Pease County. There was no more reason for the creation of Pease County than there was for Crook County. Most of their combined area was part of Indian territory, and they had practically no resident population. The name of the county was changed from Pease to Johnson on December 13, 1879, and it was organized on May 10, 1881, after the initial development of the cattle industry in the area.

Johnson County was reduced by the partition of Sheridan County from its northern end in 1888. In 1890, the western boundaries of both Johnson and Sheridan counties were moved east from the Big Horn River to the crest of the Big Horn Mountains. The portion lying between the mountains and the river is now included in Big Horn, Washakie, and Hot Springs counties.

Much of Johnson County is rolling prairie drained by the Powder River. From the time the Bozeman Trail was opened from the North Platte River to the gold mines of Montana in 1864, the Powder River country was bitterly defended by the Indians for whom the prairies were hereditary hunting grounds. Military posts along the trail in Johnson County were established and abandoned as the tide of Indian warfare ebbed and flowed. More than one bloody battle was fought on Johnson County ground. Prospectors searched the mountains for gold, but in vain. Later, outlaws and, some say, rustlers found refuge in the famous "hole-in-the-wall" - a hidden valley along the east slope of the Big Horn Mountains. Johnson County history reflects much of the tradition and legends of the frontier west.

Economic development began in 1879 when the first great herds of cattle were driven onto the vast range east of the mountains. The first four post offices tell the story. The first, at Fort McKinney, named for a lieutenant killed at the Battle of Dull Knife in 1876, recalls the military presence. Trabing City was next. It was the site of a store opened by the Trabing Brothers of Medicine Bow. Located where the old Bozeman Trail crossed Crazy Woman's Fork, it symbolized the coming of commerce.

Powder River post office commemorates the cattle industry. It was established in connection with the historic "76" Ranch started by the flamboyant Frewen Brothers, who were related by marriage to Winston Churchill. Buffalo, after the city in New York rather than the ruminant of the plains, was first a small

satellite of Fort McKinney. It later became the county seat and social and business center.

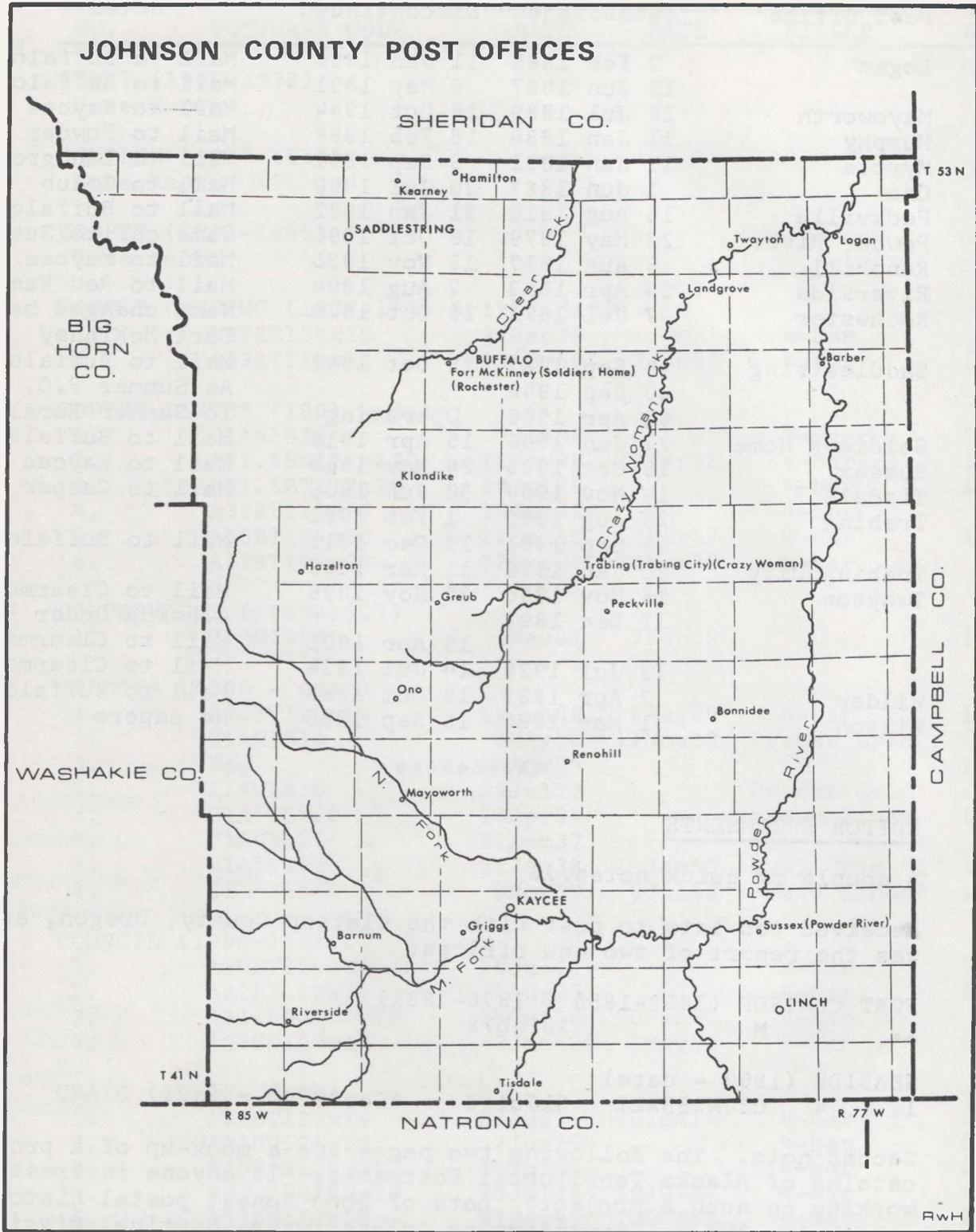
Virtually all of Johnson County's post offices were located at ranches and small trade centers serving the cattle industry. Those in the eastern and southern parts of the county along the Powder River are difficult to locate precisely since some of them were moved several times and few of them had a specific history to aid in their identification. It is likely also that different names were used for several of these offices at different times. One or two of the earliest may have been located in what is now Sheridan County.

The 39 post office names listed for Johnson County include 2 name changes and at least 2 offices which are known to have never been in service. The maximum number of offices in operation at any one time was 15 in 1901 and 1902. This number has dwindled to only 4 at present reflecting the rural nature of the county's population distribution.

#### WYOMING POST OFFICES JOHNSON COUNTY

| Post Office   | Established | Discontinued | Notes                              |
|---------------|-------------|--------------|------------------------------------|
| Barber        | 28 Jan 1904 | 15 Apr 1929  | Mail to Arvada                     |
| Barnum        | 22 Jul 1899 | 31 Aug 1940  | Mail to Kaycee                     |
| Barsee        | 7 Jan 1899  | 15 Jul 1899  | Rescinded                          |
| Big Red       | 24 Jul 1886 | 3 Jun 1902   | Moved to Sheridan Co., 11 Apr 1901 |
| Bonnidee      | 16 Feb 1921 | 15 Nov 1935  | Mail to Buffalo                    |
| Buffalo       | 6 Oct 1879  | Operating    |                                    |
| Burrville     | 15 Jun 1891 | 12 Jun 1895  | Never in Operation                 |
| Crazy Woman   | 14 May 1880 | 24 Aug 1880  |                                    |
| Eureka        | 30 Sep 1896 | 30 Sep 1899  | Mail to Buffalo                    |
|               | 1 Apr 1907  | 13 Sep 1907  | Rescinded                          |
| Fort McKinney | 26 Nov 1878 | 7 Jul 1879   | Name ch. to Rochester              |
|               | 15 Oct 1879 |              | N. ch. From Rochester              |
|               |             | 7 Dec 1894   | Mail to Buffalo                    |
| Gilbertson    | 12 Apr 1901 | 15 Oct 1902  | Mail to Kaycee                     |
| Greub         | 28 Feb 1895 | 31 Jul 1913  | Mail to Buffalo                    |
| Griggs        | 9 Jan 1896  | 15 May 1905  | Mail to Kaycee                     |
| Hamilton      | 15 Apr 1899 | 30 Apr 1904  | Mail to Kearney                    |
|               | 5 May 1904  |              | Closing Order Resc.                |
|               |             | 30 Sep 1914  | Mail to Ulm                        |
| Hazelton      | 1 Sep 1899  | 31 May 1901  | Mail to Klondike                   |
|               | 3 Mar 1902  | 15 Oct 1912  | Mail to Buffalo                    |
| Kaycee        | 27 Jan 1898 | Operating    |                                    |
| Kearney       | 14 Sep 1881 | 9 Aug 1882   | Mail to Ft. McKinney               |
|               | 1 Jun 1887  | 30 May 1936  | Mail to Banner                     |
| Klondike      | 11 Jul 1900 | 31 Oct 1902  | Mail to Buffalo                    |
| Landgrove     | 15 Jun 1891 | 10 Apr 1895  | Mail to Buffalo                    |
| Linch         | 1 Dec 1951  | Operating    |                                    |

# JOHNSON COUNTY POST OFFICES



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| Post Office   | Established | Discontinued | Notes                                 |
|---------------|-------------|--------------|---------------------------------------|
| Logan         | 2 Feb 1885  | 11 Jan 1886  | Mail to Buffalo                       |
|               | 11 Jun 1887 | 8 May 1891   | Mail to Buffalo                       |
| Mayoworth     | 16 Jul 1889 | 15 Oct 1944  | Mail to Kaycee                        |
| Murphy        | 11 Jan 1888 | 18 Feb 1889  | Mail to Powder River                  |
| Myrtle        | 11 Jun 1891 | 3 Sep 1891   | Mail to Landgrove                     |
| Ono           | 1 Jun 1887  | 30 Jul 1900  | Mail to Greub                         |
| Peckville     | 16 Aug 1916 | 31 Jan 1922  | Mail to Buffalo                       |
| Powder River  | 22 May 1879 | 18 Oct 1895  | Name ch. to Sussex                    |
| Renohill      | 6 Aug 1917  | 15 Nov 1935  | Mail to Kaycee                        |
| Riverside     | 24 Apr 1883 | 7 Aug 1894   | Mail to Red Bank                      |
| Rochester     | 7 Jul 1879  | 15 Oct 1879  | Name changed back to<br>Fort McKinney |
|               |             |              | Mail to Buffalo                       |
| Saddlestring  | 14 Sep 1937 | 15 Oct 1942  | As Summer P.O.                        |
|               | 30 Sep 1946 |              | To Summer Rural Br.                   |
|               | 30 Apr 1966 | Operating    |                                       |
| Soldiers Home | 27 Jun 1906 | 15 Apr 1918  | Mail to Buffalo                       |
| Sussex        | 18 Oct 1895 | 24 May 1963  | Mail to Kaycee                        |
| Tisdale       | 14 Nov 1904 | 30 Jun 1905  | Mail to Casper                        |
| Trabing       | 26 Aug 1880 | 1 Feb 1881   |                                       |
|               | 14 Sep 1881 | 19 Dec 1913  | Mail to Buffalo                       |
| Trabing City  | 20 Jan 1879 | 11 Mar 1880  |                                       |
| Twayton       | 16 Nov 1896 | 30 Nov 1898  | Mail to Clearmont                     |
|               | 12 Dec 1898 |              | Closing Order Resc.                   |
|               |             | 15 Apr 1902  | Mail to Clearmont                     |
|               | 13 Jul 1928 | 14 Jul 1934  | Mail to Clearmont                     |
| Wilder        | 2 Apr 1883  | 19 Oct 1883  | Mail to Buffalo                       |
| Wilson        | 1 Mar 1886  | 15 Sep 1886  | No papers                             |

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### EDITOR'S COMMENTS

A couple of quick notes...

Received too late to post with the Clatsop County, Oregon, article was the report of two new offices:

FORT CLATSOP (1852-1855 & 1876-1881)

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SEASIDE (1882 - date)

1. 4 CLJN1BBR27 31Jul98 9Sep99

Second note. The following two pages are a mock-up of a proposed catalog of Alaska Territorial Postmarks. Is anyone interested in working on such a project? Lots of good honest postal history research involved... inventorying, classifying, hunting, digging. If you are an Alaska buff with the time and inclination, drop me a line.

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POSTMARKS OF TERRITORIAL ALASKA

| TOWN<br>TYPE<br>NO.                    | POSTMARK CODE | EARLIEST<br>DATE | LATEST<br>DATE | INTEGRAL<br>KILLER | NOTES  |
|--|---------------|------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------|
| COMET (1936-1938)                      |               |                  |                |                    |        |
| None Known                             |               |                  |                |                    |        |
| COMPLEX (1917-1919)                    |               |                  |                |                    |        |
| None Known                             |               |                  |                |                    |        |
| COOPER (1892-1895)                     |               |                  |                |                    |        |
| None Known                             |               |                  |                |                    |        |
| COOPER LANDING (1937-1939 & 1947-date) |               |                  |                |                    |        |
| 1.                                     | A32BT124x19   | 31Jan39          |                | 4-bar              |        |
| 2.                                     | A33BT124x19   | 10Apr50          | 2Jan59         | 4-bar              | illus. |
| COPPER CENTER (1901 - date)            |               |                  |                |                    |        |
| 1.                                     | CIAN1B28      | ?Jun05           |                | Target             | illus. |
| 2.                                     | A31.5BN124x13 | 18Nov08          | 20Apr15        | 4-bar              | illus. |
| 3.                                     | A31.5BT1??x18 | 20Jul29          |                | 4-bar              | illus. |
| 4.                                     | A33BT121x19   | 13Jan38          |                | 4-bar              |        |
| 5.                                     | A33BT124x20   | 22Jan50          | 12Mar57        | 4-bar              | illus. |
| 6.                                     | A32BT124x20   | 22Dec58          | 22Mar59        | 4-bar              |        |
| COPPERMOUNT (1900-1907)                |               |                  |                |                    |        |
| 1.                                     | CIAN1B28      | 1May01           | 7Feb02         |                    | illus. |
| CORDOVA (1906 - date)                  |               |                  |                |                    |        |
| 1.                                     | A30BT120x14   | 19Jun08          | 6Aug09         | 4-bar              | illus. |
| 2.                                     | CIAN1B30      | 2May10           | 11Nov18        | Ov.bar Grid        | illus. |
| 3.                                     | Reg           | 19Apr09          |                |                    | illus. |
| 4.                                     | CIAN1B30      | 29Jul27          |                | Ov.bar Grid        | illus. |
| 5.                                     | CIAT6B20      | 13Apr34          |                | Wavy lines         | illus. |
| 6.                                     | CIAN1B29      | 22Dec37          |                |                    |        |
| 7.                                     | CIAT6B30      | 22Jan38          | 19Jan60        | Oval Grid "1"      | illus. |
| 8.                                     | CIAT6B21      | 8Nov39           | 8Jul58         | Wavy lines*        | illus. |
| COUNCIL (1900-1953)                    |               |                  |                |                    |        |
| 1.                                     | A30BT124x14   | 16Jul08          |                | 4-bar              | illus. |
| 2.                                     | A32BT120x17   | 1Aug29           |                | 4-bar              | illus. |
| 3.                                     | A31.5BN122x20 | 24Oct36          | 20Feb39        | 4-bar              |        |
| 4.                                     | A32BN123x18   | 7Jan42r          | 2May53         | 4-bar              | illus. |
| CRAIG (1912 - date)                    |               |                  |                |                    |        |
| 1.                                     | A32BT123x19   | 16Aug13          | 20Jan14        | 4-bar              | illus. |
| 2.                                     | A31BN121x20   | 2Jun29           |                | 4-bar              | illus. |
| 3.                                     | A30B'N124x19  | 15Jul32          |                | 4-bar              | illus. |
| 4.                                     | A32.5BN123x18 | 20Jul38          | 18Jul47        | 4-bar              | illus. |
| 5.                                     | A32BN123x19   | 31Mar49          | 15Oct51        | 4-bar              | illus. |
| 6.                                     | CIAT6B30      | 5May52           | 2Jan59         | Oval Grid "1"      | illus. |



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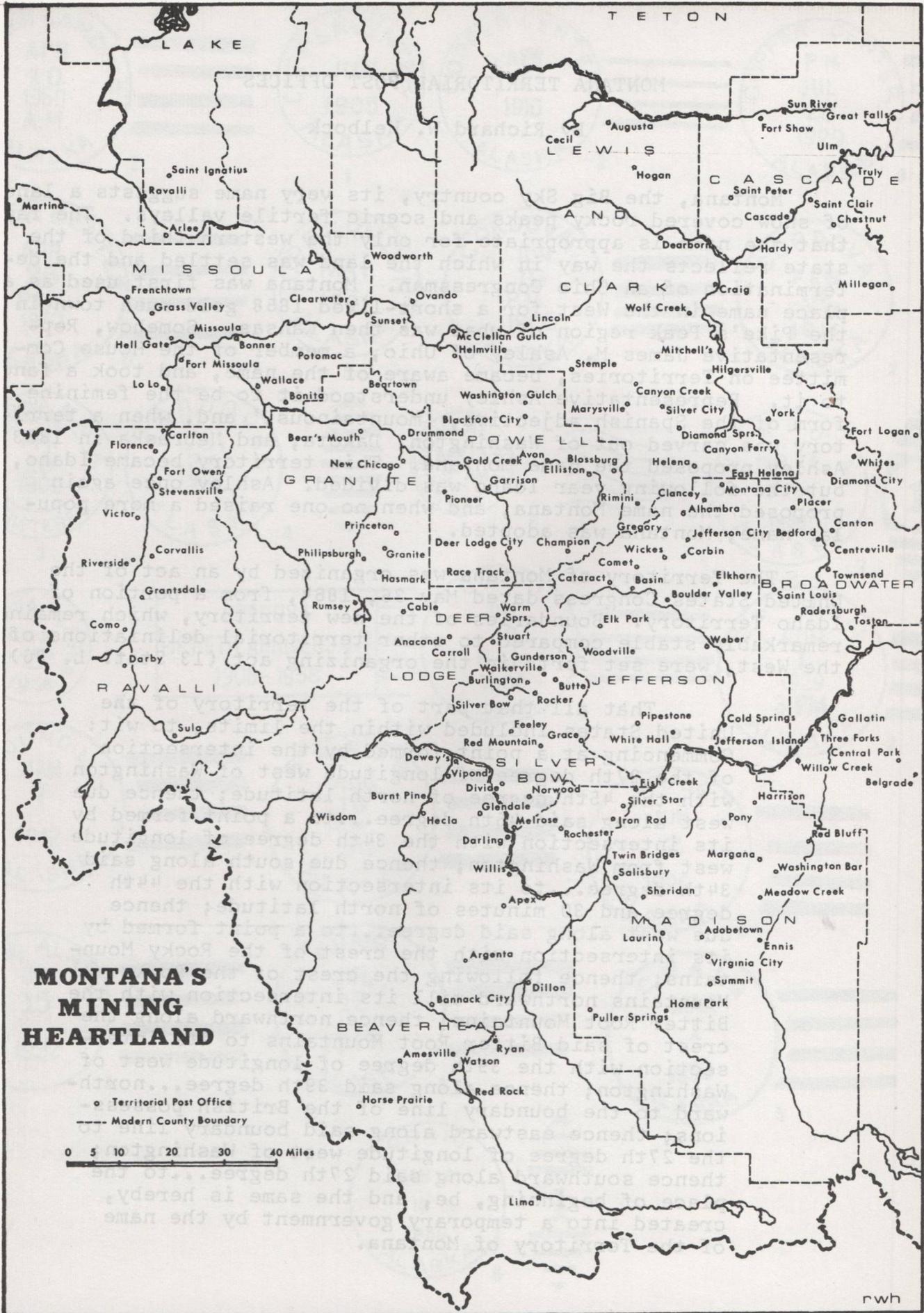
## MONTANA TERRITORIAL POST OFFICES

By Richard W. Helbock

Montana, the Big Sky country, its very name suggests a land of snow covered rocky peaks and scenic fertile valleys. The fact that the name is appropriate for only the western third of the state reflects the way in which the land was settled and the determination of an Ohio Congressman. Montana was first used as a place name in the West for a short-lived 1858 gold rush town in the Pike's Peak region of what was then Kansas. Somehow, Representative James M. Ashley of Ohio, a member of the House Committee on Territories, became aware of the name, and took a fancy to it. Representative Ashley understood it to be the feminine form of the Spanish adjective, 'mountainous,' and, when a territory was carved out of Washington, Dakota, and Nebraska in 1863, Ashley proposed the name Montana. This territory became Idaho, but the following year Idaho was divided. Ashley once again proposed the name Montana, and when no one raised a more popular name, Montana was adopted.

The Territory of Montana was organized by an act of the United States Congress dated May 26, 1864, from a portion of Idaho Territory. Boundaries of the new territory, which remained remarkably stable compared to other territorial delininations of the West, were set forth in the organizing act (13 Stat. L. 86):

That all that part of the territory of the United States included within the limits, to wit: Commencing at a point formed by the intersection of the 27th degree of longitude west of Washington with the 45th degree of north latitude; thence due west along said 45th degree...to a point formed by its intersection with the 34th degree of longitude west from Washington; thence due south along said 34th degree...to its intersection with the 44th degree and 30 minutes of north latitude; thence due west along said degree...to a point formed by its intersection with the crest of the Rocky Mountains; thence following the crest of the Rocky Mountains northward till its intersection with the Bitter Root Mountains; thence northward along the crest of said Bitter Root Mountains to its intersection with the 39th degree of longitude west of Washington; thence along said 39th degree...northward to the boundary line of the British possessions; thence eastward along said boundary line to the 27th degree of longitude west of Washington; thence southward along said 27th degree...to the place of beginning, be, and the same is hereby, created into a temporary government by the name of the Territory of Montana.



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Montana's population increased rapidly during its 25-year territorial period. The Census of 1870, Montana's first, counted only 20,595 residents. On November 8, 1889, Montana was admitted to the Union, and the Census of 1890 listed 132,159 inhabitants of the new state. The brief territorial period had seen a more than six-fold increase in the population of the state.

### Pre-Territorial Post Offices

Three post offices were established in the area of Montana before the territory was created. They were Hell Gate, Bannack City, and Virginia City. Hell Gate post office received its first postmaster appointment November 25, 1862. Originally on the Washington Territory list, Hell Gate was named for the famous Hell Gate Canyon on the overland route connecting the Missouri and Columbia river basins. On May 14, 1866, the name of this pioneer office was changed to Missoula.

Bannack City post office was established November 21, 1863, almost a year and a half after the first reported gold discoveries in the area. Originally listed with Idaho Territory, Bannack City served the strike at "Grasshopper Diggins." The discovery soon proved so valuable that the rough camp grew into a town of over 3000 residents, and became the first territorial capital. For a time it must have seemed that Bannack City would long endure as Montana's leading urban center. But alas, the gold finally gave out and the town began to die. Bannack City became just plain Bannack post office May 12, 1898, and today even the post office has been closed.

Virginia City post office was authorized January 29, 1864, with the appointment of its first postmaster. Given the delays involved in 19th century communications between Washington, D.C. and the West, it seems likely that the Virginia City post office may not have begun actual operations until after the passage of the territorial act. Be that as it may, Virginia City quickly grew into a robust mining camp, and its post office survives to this day.

### The Territorial Post Office List

The alphabetical list which follows is a transcription of the microfilmed Records of Appointments of Postmasters for the Territory of Montana. Each territorial post office is listed together with its initial county designation, its current county location, its date of first postmaster appointment, the name of its first postmaster, its date of discontinuance or name change, and the name of the office which served its patrons after closing (if applicable). There are almost certain to be some errors in a transcription of this type. The original records contain errors, and they may have been compounded in the transcribing process. A serious attempt has been made to minimize such errors, but it is unlikely that it was totally successful.

Post Office      County      1973      Established      First Postmaster      Discontinued      Name Changed To :  
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| Post Office   | County | 1973 | Established | First Postmaster   | Discontinued | Name Changed To : |
|---------------|--------|------|-------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Init.         |        |      |             |                    |              | or Papers To ( )  |
| Ada           | Cust   | Rose | 1 Aug 1881  | Ada R. Parker      | 1 Nov 1882   | (Rosebud)         |
| Adobetown     | Mad    | Mad  | 16 Dec 1875 | Nicholas Carey     | 15 Oct 1907  | (Virginia City)   |
| Agency        | Miss   | ?    | 20 Feb 1872 | George S. Mason    | 21 Sep 1874  |                   |
| Ainslee       | Cust   | Cust | 19 Dec 1882 | Silvanus Miner     | 26 Oct 1883  | (Miles City)      |
| Alamo         | Beav   | Beav | 5 Oct 1889  | Mary A. Butch      | 9 Aug 1894   | (Fox)             |
| Albright      | Cust   | Rose | 28 Oct 1884 | William Albright   | 15 Nov 1892  | (Rosebud)         |
| Alhambra      | Jeff   | Jeff | 15 Jul 1885 | Wilson Redding     |              |                   |
| Allard        | Daw    | Daw  | 7 Jan 1884  | F. L. Sperry       | 22 Apr 1887  | (Glendive)        |
| Allerdice     | Beav   | Beav | 16 Mar 1881 | T. Eugene Simmons  | 6 Dec 1889   | :Lima             |
| Alpine        | Ferg   | Ferg | 28 Oct 1885 | Anna M. Coder      | 14 May 1904  | (Fort Maginnis)   |
| Alzada        | Cust   | Cart | 15 Jul 1885 | Joseph B. Moss     | Operating    |                   |
| Amazon        | Jeff   | ?    | 26 Jan 1888 | John W. Currin     | About 1890   | (Alice)           |
| Amesville     | Beav   | Beav | 19 Dec 1884 | Nancy S. Burnett   | 23 Sep 1897  |                   |
| Anaconda      | D.L.   | D.L. | 13 Jul 1883 | Clinton H. Moore   | Operating    | (Maiden)          |
| Andersonville | Meag   | Ferg | 27 Jun 1881 | Benjamin Dexter    | 26 Jun 1885  | (Dillon)          |
| Apex          | Beav   | Beav | 2 Jun 1886  | James Haining      | 16 Dec 1886  | (Missoula)        |
| Ardrum        | Miss   | Miss | 28 Mar 1882 | Cornelius O'Keefe  | 31 Dec 1883  |                   |
| Argenta       | Beav   | Beav | 15 Feb 1871 | George D. French   | 31 Jan 1935  |                   |
| Arlee         | Miss   | Lake | 22 Oct 1885 | Primus Bader       | Operating    |                   |
| Ashland       | Cust   | Rose | 9 Mar 1886  | Mary O'Connell     | Operating    | (Demersville)     |
| Ashley        | Miss   | Flat | 27 Mar 1884 | Andrew Swaney      | 23 Jun 1891  |                   |
| Augusta       | L&C    | L&C  | 9 Jun 1884  | Phil A. Manix      | Operating    |                   |
| Avon          | D.L.   | Powl | 2 Jun 1884  | William Cramer     | Operating    |                   |
| Bannack City  | Beav   | Beav | 21 Nov 1863 | Nathaniel Langford | 12 Mar 1898  | :Bannack          |
| Barcon        | D.L.   | Powl | 25 Jan 1886 | Jacob Whitmire     | 7 Apr 1886   | :Blossburg        |
| Barkerville   | Meag   | ?    | 21 Mar 1881 | Frank Bucksin      | 22 Jun 1881  |                   |
| Barott        | Ferg   | ?    | 28 Oct 1885 | Luther B. Barott   | 31 Jan 1900  | (Lavina)          |
| Basin         | Jeff   | Jeff | 14 Jun 1880 | Julius P. Martin   | Operating    |                   |
| Basinski      | Cust   | Rose | 14 Dec 1888 | Monfort Bray       | 26 Jul 1898  | (Sabra)           |
| Bear's Mouth  | D.L.   | Gran | 16 Mar 1875 | Benjamin Horton    | 17 Dec 1892  | :Bearmouth        |
| Beartown      | D.L.   | Gran | 20 Jul 1868 | James McElroy      | 15 Nov 1892  | (Bear's Mouth)    |
| Beaver Creek  | Jeff   | Bwtr | 3 Jun 1872  | Thomas Pauley      | 20 Jan 1887  | :Placer           |
| Beaver Head   | Mad    | ?    | 2 Nov 1869  | Andrew McHesser    | 11 Jul 1871  |                   |
| Bedford       | Jeff   | Bwtr | 19 Feb 1879 | Garis Johnston     | 27 Apr 1895  | (Townsend)        |
| Beeman        | Cust   | Rose | 21 Feb 1883 | James H. Hay       | 21 Nov 1884  | :Rosebud          |
| Belgrade      | Galn   | Galn | 13 Sep 1887 | Thomas B. Quaw     | Operating    |                   |
| Belknap's     | Chot   | Blan | 21 Apr 1879 | Thomas O. Hanlon   | 22 Oct 1889  | (Chinook)         |
| Bellevue      | Chot   | Tetn | 27 Oct 1885 | George F. Miller   | 15 Aug 1910  | (Choteau)         |
| Belmont       | L&C    | L&C  | 15 Jan 1879 | John H. Jurgens    | 9 Oct 1882   | (Helena)          |

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| Post Office      | Init. | County | 1973 | Established | First Postmaster  | Discontinued | Name Changed To :<br>or Papers To ( ) |
|------------------|-------|--------|------|-------------|-------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------|
| Belt             | Meag  | Casc   | 2    | Feb 1885    | Eugene R. Clingan | Operating    | (Fort Benton)                         |
| Beltane          | Meag  | Casc   | 12   | Feb 1880    | E. Hackshaw       | 3 Sep 1883   | (Livingston)                          |
| Benson's Landing | Galn  | Park   | 10   | Jul 1878    | James A. Bailey   | 8 Dec 1882   |                                       |
| Bercaill         | Meag  | Whtd   | 16   | Oct 1882    | Philip I. Moule   | 31 Jul 1947  |                                       |
| Big Elk          | Meag  | Whtd   | 18   | Sep 1882    | Ozias M. Hatch    | 15 May 1913  | (Twodot)                              |
| Big Horn         | Cust  | B.H.   | 20   | Nov 1877    | Theodore Borup    | 25 Feb 1878  | : Fort Custer                         |
| Big Sandy        | Chot  | Chot   | 22   | Dec 1887    | Leigh Marlow      | Operating    |                                       |
| Bigtimber        | Galn  | S.G.   | 14   | May 1880    | Ella Burns        | Operating    | As Big Timber                         |
| Billings         | Cust  | Yell   | 13   | Jun 1882    | Lucius Whitney    | Operating    |                                       |
| Birney(1)        | Cust  | Rose   | 9    | Mar 1886    | Arthur M. Birney  | 9 Mar 1886   | : Ashland                             |
| Birney(2)        | Cust  | Rose   | 2    | Dec 1886    | Edward R. Brown   | Operating    |                                       |
| Blackfoot City   | D.L.  | Powl   | 21   | May 1866    | Silas H. Crouse   | 11 Jun 1896  | : Ophir                               |
| Black Pine       | D.L.  | ?      | 27   | Sep 1887    | Ewing Tarbeville  | 21 Aug 1890  | No papers                             |
| Blakeley         | Cust  | B.H.   | 5    | Aug 1886    | Henry H. Ebert    | 14 Oct 1897  | (Junction)                            |
| Blatchford       | Cust  | Prar   | 3    | Mar 1885    | John E. Kennedy   | 3 May 1915   | : Zero                                |
| Bloomdale        | Cust  | ?      | 17   | Aug 1889    | Fred Middleton    | 17 May 1890  | No papers                             |
| Blossburg        | D.L.  | Powl   | 7    | Apr 1886    | Jacob Whitmire    | 31 Oct 1902  | (Elliston)                            |
| Bonita           | Miss  | Glac   | 19   | Jun 1886    | John S. Lovall    | Operating    |                                       |
| Bonner           | Miss  | Miss   | 24   | Mar 1888    | Lane E. Pashill   | 26 Jun 1871  | : Boulder                             |
| Boulder Valley   | Jeff  | Jeff   | 5    | Apr 1871    | Samuel Harper     | Operating    |                                       |
| Boulder Valley   | Jeff  | Jeff   | 23   | Jan 1866    | William Barkley   | 10 May 1897  |                                       |
| Box Elder        | Chot  | Hill   | 30   | Oct 1889    | William McGraw    | Operating    |                                       |
| Bozeman          | Galn  | Galn   | 7    | Dec 1868    | James Roth        | Operating    |                                       |
| Brandenberg      | Cust  | Rose   | 7    | Jan 1881    | George Lisconie   | 30 Sep 1957  | (Cottonwood)                          |
| Brassey          | Meag  | Ferg   | 28   | Dec 1881    | Edward Brassey    | 23 May 1884  | (Box Elder)                           |
| Bremer           | Chot  | Hill   | 30   | Oct 1889    | Warner N. Bremer  | 26 Dec 1889  | : White Sulphur Springs               |
| Brewers Springs  | Meag  | Meag   | 7    | Jul 1875    | Henry B. Brainerd | 27 Nov 1876  | (Billings)                            |
| Bruckman         | Cust  | Yell   | 29   | Apr 1884    | Louis Bruckman    | 11 May 1886  | (Sadie)                               |
| Buell            | Cust  | Rose   | 2    | Jun 1879    | James Kennedy     | 13 Nov 1884  | (Butte)                               |
| Burlington       | S.B.  | S.B.   | 27   | Oct 1885    | William Master    | 15 Nov 1901  |                                       |
| Burnt Pine       | Beav  | ?      | 22   | Jun 1874    | Daniel R. Parker  | 30 Jan 1882  | : Butte                               |
| Butte City       | D.L.  | S.B.   | 20   | Jul 1868    | Anson Ford        | 27 Feb 1894  |                                       |
| Bynum            | Chot  | Tetn   | 28   | Oct 1885    | George A. Fry     | Operating    | (Southern Cross)                      |
| Cable            | D.L.  | D.L.   | 14   | Mar 1882    | T. C. Macartney   | 15 May 1918  |                                       |
| Cabinet Landing  | Miss  | ?      | 26   | Feb 1867    | M. B. Koontz      | 30 May 1867  | : Cable                               |
| Cable City       | D.L.  | D.L.   | 20   | Jul 1868    | William Kelley    | 14 Mar 1882  |                                       |
| Callaway         | Mad   | ?      | 26   | Sep 1871    | Ovide P. Laurin   | 18 May 1874  | : Fort Logan                          |
| Camp Baker       | Meag  | Meag   | 19   | Sep 1875    | John S. Hammell   | 7 May 1879   |                                       |
| Canton           | Meag  | Bwtr   | 27   | Aug 1872    | William Tierney   | 28 Feb 1935  |                                       |

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| Canyon          | Cust   | Yell  | 11 Feb 1880 | Sidney H. Erwin   | 10 Apr 1883      | (Billings)        |                                       |
| Canyon Creek    | L&C    | L&C   | 7 Aug 1871  | William S. Nigus  | Operating        |                   |                                       |
| Canyon Ferry    | Meag   | L&C   | 23 Apr 1868 | Joseph Stafford   | 15 Jul 1922      | (Helena)          |                                       |
| Carlton         | Miss   | Rava  | 31 Dec 1883 | Lizzie Young      | 30 Jun 1908      | (Florence)        |                                       |
| Carpenter's Bar | D.L.   | ?     | 3 Jun 1872  | Thomas E. Pounds  | 16 Dec 1872      |                   |                                       |
| Carrroll        | Daw    | Petr  | 22 Jun 1874 | George Clendenin  | 28 Nov 1882      | (Fort Maginnis)   |                                       |
| Carrroll        | D.L.   | D.L.  | 8 Jun 1888  | Aaron G. Staton   | 30 Apr 1902      | (Anaconda)        |                                       |
| Cartersville    | L&C    | L&C   | 24 Feb 1881 | James W. Carter   | 8 Sep 1888       | : Wolf Creek      |                                       |
| Castle          | Meag   | Meag  | 1 Nov 1887  | Hanson H. Barnes  | 31 Oct 1919      | (Lennop)          |                                       |
| Castner         | Meag   | Casc  | 2 Apr 1883  | John K. Castner   | 14 Jun 1883      | (Beltane)         |                                       |
| Cataract        | Jeff   | ?     | 11 Feb 1880 | George Gallahan   | 5 Jul 1881       |                   |                                       |
| Cavetown        | Meag   | ?     | 2 Apr 1878  | Court Sheriff     | 9 Nov 1880       |                   |                                       |
| Cecil           | L&C    | L&C   | 26 May 1884 | DeWitt Holbrook   | 11 Jan 1886      |                   |                                       |
| Cedar Junction  | Miss   | Minl  | 31 Jan 1870 | Aud J. Simmons    | 17 Jan 1871      | (Augusta)         |                                       |
| Centennial      | Mad    | Mad   | 6 Aug 1889  | William M. Reed   | 18 Apr 1892      | (Shambow)         |                                       |
| Centerville     | Meag   | Bwtr  | 4 May 1872  | John M. Robinson  | 14 Nov 1883      | (Townsend)        |                                       |
| Central Park    | Galn   | Galn  | 2 Oct 1871  | Vardamon Cockrill | 6 Sep 1887       | (Creamery)        |                                       |
| Champion        | D.L.   | Powl  | 22 Aug 1889 | William Molthen   | 13 Jul 1893      | (Deer Lodge City) |                                       |
| Chestnut        | Meag   | Casc  | 2 Apr 1878  | R. N. Sutherlin   | 3 Apr 1890       | (Saint Clair)     |                                       |
| Chico           | Galn   | Park  | 24 Feb 1874 | John Cone         | 31 Oct 1919      | (Emigrant)        |                                       |
| Chinook         | Chot   | Blan  | 12 Sep 1889 | Thomas O. Hanlon  | Operating        |                   |                                       |
| Choteau         | Chot   | Tetrn | 15 Jan 1884 | Alfred Hamilton   | Operating        |                   |                                       |
| Christina       | Meag   | Ferg  | 14 Dec 1885 | David Hilzer      | Operating        |                   |                                       |
| Cicero          | Mad    | Mad   | 24 Feb 1869 | Jean B. Laurin    | 11 Sep 1874      | : Laurin          |                                       |
| Clagett         | Jeff   | ?     | 14 Jun 1872 | Abel Quaintance   | 4 Nov 1878       |                   |                                       |
| Clancey         | Jeff   | Jeff  | 11 Aug 1887 | Frances E. Harvey | 1 Feb 1960       | : Clancy          |                                       |
| Clancy(1)       | Jeff   | Jeff  | 25 Mar 1872 | Henry M. Hill     | 15 Jul 1885      | : Alhambra        |                                       |
| Clancy(2)       | Jeff   | Jeff  | 28 Oct 1885 | Frances E. Harvey | 11 Aug 1887      | : Clancey         |                                       |
| Clarence        | Meag   | Meag  | 23 Feb 1887 | William C. Heaton | 17 Feb 1888      | (Martindale)      |                                       |
| Clark           | Galn   | Park  | 17 Oct 1882 | Oscar Phillips    | 13 Nov 1882      | : Livingston      |                                       |
| Clarkston       | L&C    | L&C   | 28 Nov 1873 | Bradford C. Woods | 4 Feb 1884       | (Helena)          |                                       |
| Clearwater      | D.L.   | Powl  | 24 May 1889 | Libbie Blanchard  | 5 Oct 1926       | (Greenough)       |                                       |
| Clendenin       | Meag   | Casc  | 12 Apr 1882 | Fred W. Reed      | 26 May 1892      | : Barker          |                                       |
| Clendennin      | Meag   | Casc  | 28 Dec 1881 | James Matkin      | 24 Jan 1882      |                   |                                       |
| Clifford        | Miss   | Flat  | 1 Jun 1888  | John E. Clifford  | 26 Jan 1889      | : Demersville     |                                       |
| Clyde Park      | Galn   | Park  | 14 May 1887 | John Haney        | Operating        |                   |                                       |
| Coberly         | D.L.   | Gran  | 17 Jan 1872 | Green A. Kirtley  | 27 Nov 1872      | : New Chicago     |                                       |

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| Cokedale        | Galn   | Park | 16 Jan 1889 | Joseph Dailey      | 15 Mar 1900  | (Livingston)                          |
| Cold Springs    | Jeff   | Jeff | 14 Jan 1872 | P. F. Myers        | 31 Mar 1924  | (Boulder)                             |
| Comet           | Jeff   | Jeff | 13 Aug 1877 | John W. Russell    | 16 Apr 1890  | (Wicks)                               |
| Como            | Miss   | Rava | 3 Aug 1882  | Wilson B. Harlan   | 30 Nov 1936  | (Fort Benton)                         |
| Conrad          | Chot   | Pond | 10 Jul 1884 | Joseph Kipp        | 17 May 1888  | : Cooke City                          |
| Cooke           | Galn   | Park | 1 Feb 1882  | William Randall    | 1 Jan 1957   | (Armington)                           |
| Copperopolis    | Meag   | Meag | 6 Jan 1881  | John H. Sutherland | About 1882   | (Lewistown)                           |
| Cora            | Meag   | Casc | 15 May 1882 | Frank K. Lewis     | 10 Jan 1903  |                                       |
| Corbin          | Jeff   | Jeff | 13 Jun 1887 | Emma Trimble       | 17 May 1943  |                                       |
| Corvallis       | Miss   | Rava | 8 Dec 1870  | Thomas B. Collins  | Operating    |                                       |
| Cottonwood      | Meag   | Ferg | 21 Nov 1883 | William DeWitt     | 29 Feb 1904  |                                       |
| Coulson         | Cust   | ?    | 16 Nov 1877 | Samuel Alexander   | 12 Jul 1882  |                                       |
| Cowans          | Galn   | ?    | 31 Aug 1876 | Andrew Cowan       | 16 Jul 1877  |                                       |
| Cow Island      | Chot   | Ferg | 15 Apr 1880 | Frank Hughes       | 3 Aug 1880   |                                       |
| Craig           | L&C    | L&C  | 6 Feb 1888  | Rescome Stickney   | 31 Oct 1954  |                                       |
| Crawford        | Mad    | ?    | 20 Dec 1872 | Charles Gideon     | 14 Nov 1873  |                                       |
| Creamery        | Galn   | Galn | 8 Nov 1885  | Vardamon Cockrill  | 5 Feb 1891   | : Central Park                        |
| Crow Agency     | CIR    | B.H. | 3 Feb 1881  | Charles T. Babcock | Operating    | (Etna)                                |
| Cutler          | Cust   | Cust | 26 Dec 1882 | George Cutler      | 8 May 1891   |                                       |
| Danton          | Cust   | ?    | 11 Dec 1879 | Daniel Harris      | 14 Jul 1881  |                                       |
| Darby           | Miss   | Rava | 31 Oct 1889 | James W. Darby     | Operating    |                                       |
| Darling         | Beav   | ?    | 3 Jun 1872  | Joseph A. Browne   | 5 Apr 1881   | (Fort Benton)                         |
| Davidson        | Chot   | Chot | 14 Mar 1888 | Thomas Harwood     | 9 Aug 1889   | (Hogan)                               |
| Dearborn        | L&C    | L&C  | 7 Aug 1876  | Hubert A. Milot    | 14 Feb 1898  | (Centreville)                         |
| Deepdale        | Jeff   | Bwtr | 23 Feb 1882 | Burt Skinner       | 4 May 1883   | (Danvers)                             |
| Deerfield       | Meag   | Ferg | 9 Mar 1888  | Emory A. Hudson    | 28 Feb 1917  | : Deer Lodge                          |
| Deer Lodge City | D.L.   | Powl | 21 May 1866 | Romulus J. Perry   | 23 Jun 1894  | (Kalispel)                            |
| Demersville     | Miss   | Flat | 26 Jan 1889 | John E. Clifford   | 5 May 1898   |                                       |
| Denton          | Meag   | Ferg | 9 Mar 1888  | Henry F. Dent      | Operating    | (Oka)                                 |
| Dever           | Meag   | Whtd | 4 May 1886  | James H. Dever     | 30 Aug 1887  | : Dewey                               |
| Dewey's         | Beav   | Beav | 27 Jun 1878 | Allan Hay          | 4 Jan 1894   | (Johnson)                             |
| Diamond City    | Meag   | Bwtr | 12 Mar 1867 | William H. Meek    | 15 Oct 1909  | No Papers                             |
| Diamond Springs | L&C    | ?    | 7 Jan 1885  | J. Underhill       | 26 Jun 1886  | (Miles City)                          |
| Dickson         | Cust   | Cust | 6 Mar 1883  | Flora Woodliff     | 28 Sep 1883  |                                       |
| Dillon          | Beav   | Beav | 31 May 1881 | Thomas B. Warren   | Operating    |                                       |
| Dilworth        | Galn   | Carb | 17 Oct 1884 | James R. Dilworth  | 15 Dec 1891  | (Red Lodge)                           |
| Divide          | D.L.   | S.B. | 17 Feb 1873 | Charles Wunderlich | Operating    |                                       |

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| Dodge          | Meag  | Casc   | 6 Aug  | 1886        | Thomas L. Gorham   | 5 Nov 1887   | : Cascade                           |
| Dodgeton       | Meag  | Musl   | 6 Jun  | 1883        | Henry S. Dodge     | 24 May 1884  | (Olden)                             |
| Downieville    | Meag  | ?      | 20 Jul | 1868        | Thomas Favorite    | 8 Oct 1869   |                                     |
| Drummond       | D.L.  | Powl   | 11 Jan | 1884        | Edy A. Hettinger   | Operating    |                                     |
| Dry Creek      | Galn  | ?      | 22 Jun | 1874        | Thomas Mulvaney    | 28 Jul 1874  | (Wolfpoint)                         |
| Dry Creek      | Daw   | Roos   | 21 Jul | 1882        | Gilman R. Norris   | 24 Apr 1883  | : Stanford                          |
| Dubuque        | Meag  | J.B.   | 27 Aug | 1886        | Thomas F. Morgan   | 27 Feb 1892  | (Lewistown)                         |
| Dudley         | Meag  | Ferg   | 12 Jun | 1888        | Thomas W. Powell   | 14 Jan 1891  | (Glendive)                          |
| Dundee         | Daw   | Daw    | 22 Sep | 1884        | John Scott         | 2 Jan 1885   |                                     |
| Dupuyer        | Chot  | Pond   | 28 Nov | 1882        | Julian F. Burd     | Operating    |                                     |
| East Gallatin  | Galn  | Galn   | 3 Sep  | 1869        | Daniel Maxey       | 1 Feb 1881   |                                     |
| East Helena    | L&C   | L&C    | 13 Aug | 1888        | Henry H. Clark     | Operating    |                                     |
| Edgerton       | Beav  | ?      | 2 Oct  | 1879        | James Kirkpatrick  | 19 Oct 1880  |                                     |
| Egan           | Miss  | Flat   | 28 Jan | 1888        | Jesse Yenne        | 6 Aug 1892   | (Demersville)                       |
| Ekalaka        | Cust  | Cart   | 27 Nov | 1885        | Charles Cartwright | Operating    |                                     |
| Elchetah       | Cust  | B.H.   | 23 Jul | 1877        | Madison M. Black   | 10 Sep 1892  | (Blakeley)                          |
| Elkhorn        | Jeff  | Jeff   | 19 May | 1884        | William H. Healey  | 30 Aug 1924  | (Boulder)                           |
| Elk Park       | Jeff  | Jeff   | 21 Jan | 1889        | Charles Cunningham | 31 Dec 1930  | (Butte)                             |
| Elliston       | D.L.  | Powl   | 5 Feb  | 1884        | S. N. Nicholson    | Operating    |                                     |
| Emigrant       | Galn  | ?      | 11 Jun | 1872        | Frederick Bottler  | 21 Jul 1876  |                                     |
| Emmettsburg    | D.L.  | Gran   | 18 Jan | 1869        | Matthew Wallwork   | 31 Mar 1879  |                                     |
| Empire         | L&C   | L&C    | 10 Nov | 1886        | Joseph C. Pyle     | 5 Feb 1895   | (Marysville)                        |
| Ennis          | Mad   | Mad    | 7 Jan  | 1881        | William Ennis      | Operating    |                                     |
| Enterprise     | Miss  | Miss   | 12 Mar | 1884        | Ezra D. Baker      | 12 Nov 1884  | (Missoula)                          |
| Etna           | Miss  | ?      | 6 Mar  | 1872        | Garland T. Jones   | 12 Jan 1875  |                                     |
| Etna           | Cust  | Cust   | 19 Dec | 1882        | Ellen M. Adams     | 15 Sep 1913  | (Miles City)                        |
| Evans          | Meag  | Casc   | 19 Jun | 1889        | Zinta Wamer        | 30 Sep 1937  |                                     |
| Exeter         | Daw   | Vall   | 10 Sep | 1888        | R. M. Trafton      | 17 Feb 1890  | No Papers                           |
| Fallon         | Cust  | Prar   | 17 Oct | 1884        | Cyrus Mendenhall   | Operating    |                                     |
| Farrell        | Mad   | ?      | 14 Feb | 1881        | Benjamin Burns     | 27 Jul 1881  | (Silver Star)                       |
| Fish Creek     | Mad   | Jeff   | 23 Feb | 1870        | Harrison Jordan    | 8 Apr 1896   |                                     |
| Flathead(1)    | Miss  | Lake   | 26 Feb | 1867        | John T. Hanks      | 26 Jun 1868  | : Arlee                             |
| Flathead(2)    | Miss  | Lake   | 27 Apr | 1882        | Ludgen C. Tuott    | 22 Oct 1885  |                                     |
| Flat Head Lake | Miss  | Lake   | 25 Nov | 1873        | Valentine Coombes  | 7 Oct 1875   |                                     |
| Flatwillow     | Meag  | Petr   | 27 Mar | 1883        | John Dachter       | 30 Apr 1946  |                                     |
| Florence       | Miss  | Rava   | 17 May | 1888        | Gilbert S. Strout  | Operating    |                                     |
| Foley          | Cust  | ?      | 12 May | 1881        | Albert B. Long     | 7 Apr 1882   |                                     |

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| Forest City       | Miss  | Minl.     | 9 Jan 1871  | Thomas Williams    | 4 Sep 1895       | : Forest              |                                       |
| Forsyth           | Cust  | Rose Hill | 2 Aug 1882  | Fred Henning       | Operating        |                       |                                       |
| Fort Assinaboine  | Chot  | Chot      | 16 May 1879 | H. B. Hill         | 29 Dec 1892      | : Fort Assiniboine    |                                       |
| Fort Benton       | Chot  | Chot      | 18 Jan 1867 | Isaac G. Baker     | Operating        |                       |                                       |
| Fort Custer       | Cust  | B.H.      | 25 Feb 1878 | Theodore Borup     | 9 Nov 1901       | (Crow Agency)         |                                       |
| Fort Ellis        | Galn  | Galn      | 19 Apr 1880 | Winfield Lancey    | 23 Aug 1886      | (Bozeman)             |                                       |
| Fort Keogh        | Cust  | Cust      | 4 Jan 1878  | William O'Toole    | 30 Nov 1908      | (Miles City)          |                                       |
| Fort Logan        | Meag  | Meag      | 7 May 1879  | William Gaddis     | 28 Feb 1929      | (White Sulphur Sprs.) |                                       |
| Fort Maginnis     | Meag  | Ferg      | 16 Mar 1875 | Henry A. Kennedy   | 14 May 1938      |                       |                                       |
| Fort Missoula     | Miss  | Miss      | 11 Jun 1879 | John McCormick     | 5 Jul 1894       | (Missoula)            |                                       |
| Fort Owen         | Miss  | Rava      | 29 Jul 1868 | John Chatfield     | 22 Dec 1868      |                       |                                       |
| Fort Peck         | Daw   | Vall      | 1 Dec 1879  | Charles Gould      | 8 Nov 1880       |                       |                                       |
| Fort Shaw         | L&C   | Casc      | 30 Sep 1867 | Nathaniel Pope     | Operating        |                       |                                       |
| Foster            | Meag  | Bwtr      | 23 Feb 1882 | Thomas Foster      | 18 Aug 1882      | :Toston               |                                       |
| Franklin          | Cust  | P.R.      | 14 Jan 1889 | Frank Daughtery    | 30 Sep 1902      | (Broadus)             |                                       |
| French Gulch      | D.L.  | S.B.      | 17 Nov 1869 | Michael Larkin     | 11 Apr 1881      |                       |                                       |
| Frenchtown        | Miss  | Miss      | 20 Jul 1868 | Charles Cusson     | Operating        |                       |                                       |
| Fridley           | Galn  | Park      | 2 Feb 1885  | Frank A. Fridley   | 20 Jan 1911      |                       |                                       |
| Feeley            | S.B.  | S.B.      | 28 Jan 1888 | John F. Cowan      | 26 Oct 1892      | : Emigrant            |                                       |
| Fulton            | L&C   | L&C       | 20 Feb 1888 | Lottie Woodruff    | 15 Apr 1914      | (Silver Bow)          |                                       |
| Furness           | Meag  | Bwtr      | 10 Mar 1887 | William L. Austin  | 21 May 1887      | (Wolf Creek)          |                                       |
| Gaffney           | Mad   | Mad       | 10 Nov 1871 | Owen Gaffney       | 1 Nov 1875       | : Toston              |                                       |
| Gaffney's Station | Mad   | Mad       | 16 Oct 1871 | Owen Gaffney       | 10 Nov 1871      | : Salisbury           |                                       |
| Gallatin          | Galn  | Galn      | 13 Feb 1867 | G. H. Campbell     | 16 Jul 1890      | : Gaffney             |                                       |
| Gallop            | Galn  | Galn      | 28 Oct 1885 | James H. Gallop    | 15 Oct 1908      | (Three Forks)         |                                       |
| Gardenland        | Meag  | ?         | 13 Sep 1880 | Frank Bassett      | 10 Jan 1882      | (Maudlow)             |                                       |
| Gardiner          | Galn  | Park      | 19 Feb 1880 | James McCartney    | Operating        |                       |                                       |
| Garfield          | Galn  | ?         | 22 Oct 1867 | John H. Culver     | 28 Sep 1868      |                       |                                       |
| Garfield          | Cust  | ?         | 26 May 1881 | Frank A. Zahl      | 20 Jun 1881      |                       |                                       |
| Garrison          | D.L.  | Powl      | 4 Dec 1883  | William Facer      | Operating        |                       |                                       |
| Georgetown        | L&C   | L&C       | 20 Sep 1869 | Isaiah Douthill    | 7 Aug 1871       | : Canyon Creek        |                                       |
| German Gulch      | D.L.  | S.B.      | 13 Jan 1869 | Thomas Lowes       | 1 Nov 1875       |                       |                                       |
| Gird's Creek      | Miss  | Rava      | 23 Aug 1870 | Anthony Chaffin    | 19 Dec 1871      |                       |                                       |
| Givendale         | D.L.  | ?         | 8 Mar 1872  | Morgan Evans       | 13 May 1878      | : Morrystown          |                                       |
| Glasgow           | Daw   | Vall      | 19 Jun 1888 | Charles E. Hall    | Operating        |                       |                                       |
| Glendale          | Beav  | Beav      | 23 Jul 1875 | Louis Schmalhausen | 6 Aug 1900       | (Melrose)             |                                       |
| Glendive          | Daw   | Daw       | 25 Jul 1881 | Nelson Lawrence    | Operating        |                       |                                       |

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| Gloster       | L&C  | L&C  |  | 23 Feb 1882 | Hiram McAllister  | 14 Jan 1895 | (Marysville)   |
| Gold Creek(1) | D.L. | Powl |  | 21 May 1866 | Nicholas Connolly | 5 Aug 1870  | : Pioneer      |
| Gold Creek(2) | D.L. | Powl |  | 21 May 1886 | Francis H. Bird   | Operating   | As Goldcreek   |
| Goldrun       | Meag | Casc |  | 26 Jan 1882 | Thomas Maddock    | 12 Apr 1882 | : Clendenin    |
| Gorham        | Meag | Casc |  | 22 Oct 1885 | John P. Dyas      | 27 May 1889 | : Saint Clair  |
| Gould         | L&C  | L&C  |  | 25 Jan 1888 | Otis R. Allen     | 30 Jun 1917 | (Wilborn)      |
| Grace         | S.B. | S.B. |  | 27 Jun 1882 | William McCall    | 29 Sep 1898 | (Butte)        |
| Grafton       | Meag | J.B. |  | 22 Sep 1887 | Annie B. Frost    | 24 Jul 1894 | (Geyser)       |
| Granite       | D.L. | Gran |  | 5 Mar 1886  | Carlton H. Hand   | 31 Oct 1908 |                |
| Grantsdale    | Miss | Rava |  | 17 May 1888 | Thomas B. Owings  | Operating   | : Grassrange   |
| Graprangle    | Meag | Ferg |  | 27 Mar 1883 | John Chamberlin   | 7 Apr 1884  |                |
| Grassrange    | Meag | Ferg |  | 7 Apr 1884  | James Chamberlin  | Operating   | (Missoula)     |
| Grass Valley  | Miss | Miss |  | 3 Feb 1887  | John E. Cyr       | 22 Jan 1895 |                |
| Great Falls   | Meag | Casc |  | 10 Jul 1884 | Paris Gibson      | Operating   | (Helena)       |
| Greenhorn     | L&C  | L&C  |  | 6 Sep 1871  | John Reynolds     | 2 Apr 1883  | (Wickes)       |
| Green Wood    | D.L. | Powl |  | 14 Apr 1868 | Henry S. Clark    | 10 Sep 1875 | (Big Timber)   |
| Gregory       | Jeff | Jeff |  | 19 Sep 1881 | Lionel R. Nettle  | 5 Oct 1888  | : Meaderville  |
| Greycliff     | Galn | S.G. |  | 27 Oct 1885 | Julia J. Wirt     | 28 May 1887 | : Rothiemay    |
| Gunderson     | S.B. | S.B. |  | 22 Mar 1883 | Louis Gunderson   | 4 Apr 1903  | (Superior)     |
| Halbert       | Meag | G.V. |  | 4 Feb 1885  | Thomas L. Halbert | 30 Sep 1902 | : Moreland     |
| Halpin        | Miss | Minl |  | 24 Apr 1883 | Michael S. Halpin | 23 Aug 1883 | (Cascade)      |
| Hamilton      | Galn | Galn |  | 7 Dec 1868  | Daniel Small      | 11 Sep 1884 | (Sabra)        |
| Hardy         | Meag | Casc |  | 24 Jul 1888 | Stephen Carman    | 15 Jun 1915 | (Sand Creek)   |
| Harris        | Cust | Rose |  | 12 May 1888 | Wilson Harris     | 23 Nov 1899 | (Phillipsburg) |
| Harrisburgh   | D.L. | L&C  |  | 16 Nov 1869 | Benjamin Harris   | 27 Dec 1875 |                |
| Harrison      | Mad  | Mad  |  | 27 Jul 1870 | H. S. Paul        | 15 Sep 1899 |                |
| Hasmark       | D.L. | Gran |  | 19 Apr 1880 | Samuel Silverman  | 6 Jan 1897  |                |
| Hathaway      | Cust | Rose |  | 30 Nov 1887 | Albert V. Hufery  | Operating   | (Bozeman)      |
| Havana        | Mad  | ?    |  | 19 Feb 1873 | John Thomas       | 19 Oct 1874 | (Melrose)      |
| Hayden        | Galn | Galn |  | 27 Jul 1874 | Rhoda E. Ferrel   | 26 Feb 1883 |                |
| Hecla         | Beav | Beav |  | 14 Dec 1881 | James Parfet      | 12 May 1900 |                |
| Helena        | L&C  | L&C  |  | 2 Mar 1869  | John Potter       | Operating   | : Missoula     |
| Hell Gate(1)* | Miss | Miss |  | 25 Nov 1862 | Frank L. Worden   | 14 May 1866 |                |
| Hell Gate(2)  | Miss | Miss |  | 26 Aug 1867 | Oliver P. Clement | 1 Sep 1871  |                |
| Helmville     | D.L. | Powl |  | 2 Dec 1872  | Alvin Lincoln     | Operating   |                |
| Henderson     | Galn | ?    |  | 6 Jul 1875  | Stokes Henderson  | 15 Nov 1875 |                |
| Heron         | Miss | Sand |  | 7 Jan 1884  | William J. Quirk  | Operating   |                |

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| Highwood             | Chot   | Chot | 21 Mar 1881 | Isaac C. McCord   | Operating    | (Helena)                              |
| Hilgersville         | L&C    | L&C  | 2 Aug 1886  | Nicholas Hilger   | 25 Aug 1890  | (Central Park)                        |
| Hillsdale            | Galn   | Galn | 28 Mar 1881 | Banajah Morse     | 3 Mar 1897   | (Powderville)                         |
| Hockett's            | Cust   | Cust | 14 Feb 1889 | Nathan Hockett    | 23 Jun 1898  | No papers                             |
| Hodson               | Jeff   | ?    | 2 Feb 1887  | John H. Baldwin   | 10 Nov 1887  | (Augusta)                             |
| Hogan                | L&C    | L&C  | 3 Sep 1887  | Joseph Embody     | 15 Dec 1919  | (Alder)                               |
| Home Park            | Mad    | Mad  | 11 Jun 1879 | James B. Snapp    | 15 Aug 1919  | (Whitehall)                           |
| Hoover               | Meag   | ?    | 29 Oct 1879 | William Buchanan  | 10 Nov 1880  | : Electric                            |
| Hope                 | Jeff   | Jeff | 20 Dec 1887 | Ellis Elmer       | 13 Apr 1891  | (Missoula)                            |
| Horr                 | Galn   | Park | 2 Mar 1889  | Laura E. Pinkston | 30 Jan 1904  | (Amesville)                           |
| Horse Plains         | Miss   | Sand | 2 Sep 1869  | L. R. Hilleary    | 4 Oct 1883   | (Beebe)                               |
| Horse Prairie        | Beav   | Beav | 2 Feb 1869  | Joseph B. Yeanan  | 1 Feb 1888   | (Finch)                               |
| Hotchkiss            | Cust   | Cust | 26 Jan 1885 | Stephen Hotchkiss | 9 Apr 1892   | (Clendenin)                           |
| Howard               | Cust   | Rose | 6 Mar 1883  | Samuel Newnes     | 15 Jul 1924  |                                       |
| Hughesville          | Meag   | Casc | 28 Dec 1881 | Charles Mix       | 2 Aug 1883   |                                       |
| Hunter's Hot Springs | Galn   | Park | 28 Aug 1878 | Andrew J. Hunter  | 3 Nov 1932   |                                       |
| Huntley              | Cust   | Yell | 16 Nov 1877 | Omar Hoskins      | Operating    | (Melville)                            |
| Hurst                | Meag   | S.G. | 7 Jan 1884  | Robert McClatshey | 25 Aug 1891  | (Kirby)                               |
| Hutton               | Cust   | B.H. | 12 Sep 1889 | Joel W. Hutton    | 14 Feb 1901  | (Etchetah)                            |
| Hyde                 | Cust   | B.H. | 15 Feb 1883 | George Hyde       | 13 Jul 1883  | (Great Falls)                         |
| Ida                  | Meag   | Casc | 2 Jun 1888  | Edward Reinicke   | 17 Aug 1889  | (Silver Star)                         |
| Iron Rod             | Mad    | Mad  | 20 Sep 1869 | Lucius D. Porter  | 4 Sep 1882   | (Washington Gulch)                    |
| Isabel               | D.L.   | Powl | 31 Dec 1885 | John Fitzpatrick  | 24 Jan 1888  | : Fish Creek                          |
| Jefferson Bridge     | Mad    | Mad  | 21 May 1866 | Charles Flanagan  | 23 Feb 1870  |                                       |
| Jefferson City       | Jeff   | Jeff | 21 May 1866 | William Rutan     | Operating    | : Cardwell                            |
| Jefferson Island     | Jeff   | Jeff | 14 Jun 1872 | Joseph Gans       | 15 Apr 1909  | (Great Falls)                         |
| Johnstown            | Chot   | Casc | 10 Jul 1884 | Edward Sargent    | 22 Dec 1887  | (Winifred)                            |
| Judith               | Meag   | Ferg | 16 Apr 1880 | James A. Wells    | 15 May 1919  | (Custer)                              |
| Junction             | Mad    | ?    | 8 Jan 1869  | William W. Rogers | 10 Aug 1876  |                                       |
| Junction Ranch       | Cust   | Yell | 13 Aug 1880 | Henry Keiser      | 31 Dec 1907  |                                       |
| Kalatta              | Beav   | ?    | 16 Nov 1871 | George H. Phifer  | 20 Oct 1873  |                                       |
| Keatingville         | Meag   | ?    | 12 Mar 1880 | Harpin Davies     | 29 Jun 1880  |                                       |
| Keene                | Jeff   | ?    | 7 Mar 1872  | Eliaha S. Terrell | 10 Nov 1873  | (Garrison)                            |
| Keith                | D.L.   | Powl | 26 Feb 1883 | Hiram M. Keene    | 27 Mar 1884  | : Mingsville                          |
| Kibbey               | Daw    | Wilb | 11 Jul 1882 | William Fountain  | 30 Jul 1884  | (Raynesford)                          |
| Lame Deer            | Meag   | Casc | 26 Mar 1883 | William Sellev    | 15 Nov 1909  |                                       |
|                      | Cust   | Rose | 7 Sep 1887  | George Walters    | Operating    |                                       |

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| Laurel              | Cust | Yell | 14 | May 1886 | James Ashbaugh    | Operating   |                 |
| Laurin              | Mad  | Mad  | 11 | Sep 1874 | Jean B. Laurin    | Operating   |                 |
| Lavina              | Meag | G.V. | 3  | Apr 1883 | Walter Burke      | Operating   |                 |
| Lee                 | Cust | Rose | 12 | May 1888 | Mary M. Lee       | 15 Oct 1936 | : Kibbey        |
| Lessard             | Meag | Casc | 15 | Feb 1883 | William Sellew    | 26 Mar 1883 | (Anaconda)      |
| Levengoods          | D.L. | D.L. | 13 | Feb 1879 | Relin Levengood   | 6 Mar 1884  | (Philbrook)     |
| Lewis               | Meag | J.B. | 3  | Apr 1883 | Joseph Rhodes     | 21 Feb 1884 | (Red Bluff)     |
| Lewis               | Mad  | Mad  | 14 | Nov 1873 | Paul D. Hayward   | 29 Jan 1883 |                 |
| Lewistown           | Meag | Ferg | 10 | Mar 1884 | Nicholas Erickson | Operating   |                 |
| Lincoln             | L&C  | L&C  | 8  | Apr 1869 | Alfred P. Rose    | Operating   |                 |
| Livingston          | Galn | Park | 13 | Nov 1882 | Frederick Wright  | Operating   |                 |
| Lizzott             | S.B. | S.B. | 10 | Sep 1888 | Frank Lizzott     | 3 Jul 1893  | No papers       |
| Lo Lo               | Miss | Miss | 31 | Mar 1888 | John F. Delany    | 1 Jan 1925  | : Lolo          |
| Louisville          | Miss | Minl | 31 | Mar 1870 | Franklin Decker   | 20 Jun 1871 |                 |
| Lovejoy             | Daw  | ?    | 10 | Jul 1886 | E. P. Lovejoy     | 4 Jun 1887  |                 |
| Lucille             | Chot | Tool | 30 | Jun 1888 | William Turner    | 7 Sep 1901  | No papers       |
| Lyon                | Mad  | Mad  | 10 | Jun 1887 | George A. Barnard | 31 Oct 1935 | (Beatrice)      |
| Madison             | Galn | ?    | 12 | Oct 1870 | Joseph T. Shed    | 14 Jan 1873 |                 |
| Magnolia            | Meag | ?    | 23 | Aug 1880 | Nelson Bump       | 11 Oct 1881 | (Hilger)        |
| Maiden              | Meag | Ferg | 11 | Mar 1882 | Fred P. Danton    | 15 Jan 1921 |                 |
| Mammoth             | Mad  | Mad  | 13 | Aug 1877 | William Marr      | 7 Feb 1879  |                 |
| Mammoth Hot Springs | Galn | Park | 6  | Jan 1875 | James McCartney   | 13 Feb 1877 |                 |
| Mann                | Casc | J.B. | 2  | Nov 1888 | Edgar F. Mann     | 27 Jan 1892 | (Grafton)       |
| Marewell            | Cust | Cust | 14 | Jan 1884 | Joseph Kastner    | 9 Jun 1884  | (Miles City)    |
| Margana             | Mad  | Mad  | 9  | Jul 1886 | James H. Johnson  | 20 Jan 1887 | : Revenne       |
| Mariposa            | Miss | ?    | 23 | Jul 1873 | David Simmons     | 21 Jul 1874 |                 |
| Martina             | Miss | Miss | 23 | Jun 1875 | John Rains        | 29 Jun 1918 | (Stark)         |
| Martinsdale         | Meag | Meag | 3  | Jan 1878 | George Clendenin  | Operating   |                 |
| Marysville          | L&C  | L&C  | 14 | Feb 1881 | Michael Lane      | Operating   |                 |
| McClellan Gulch     | D.L. | L&C  | 20 | Sep 1869 | Charles Peyse     | 11 Jan 1890 | : Rochester     |
| McDowell            | Cust | Rose | 4  | Jun 1883 | William Jacobs    | 7 Apr 1884  | (Brandenberg)   |
| McLeod              | Galn | S.G. | 11 | Jun 1886 | Elijah E. Fowler  | Operating   |                 |
| Meadow Creek        | Mad  | Mad  | 9  | Feb 1869 | Waity P. Walton   | 15 Apr 1908 | (McAllister)    |
| Medhurst            | D.L. | Gran | 10 | Jul 1884 | Robert S. Ashby   | 25 Sep 1885 | (Stone Station) |
| Melrose             | S.B. | S.B. | 1  | Jun 1881 | Charles Shively   | Operating   |                 |
| Melville            | Galn | S.G. | 4  | Jan 1883 | Herbert O. Hickox | Operating   |                 |
| Merino              | Meag | Whtd | 9  | Jun 1881 | Delphaet Scammon  | 9 Nov 1900  | : Harlowton     |

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| Meysersburg    | Park  |        | Park | 8 Dec 1887  | Samuel O.C.Brady  | 30 Jun 1911  | (Wilsall)                             |
| Middle Creek   | Galn  |        | ?    | 5 Nov 1869  | George Austin     | 11 Nov 1873  |                                       |
| Mikado         | Meag  |        | Ferg | 30 Jan 1888 | James A. Crouse   | 17 Sep 1889  | (Sahara)                              |
| Miles City     | Cust  |        | Cust | 16 Nov 1877 | Louis Buyette     | Operating    |                                       |
| Milk Ranch     | Jeff  |        | Jeff | 27 May 1867 | Orville D. Brace  | 3 Sep 1869   | : White Hall                          |
| Millegan       | Meag  |        | Casc | 22 Jan 1887 | Reuben Millegan   | 31 Dec 1928  | (Great Falls)                         |
| Mineral        | Miss  |        | Sand | 10 Jul 1886 | Thomas Anderson   | 9 Dec 1886   | (Thompson)                            |
| Mingusville    | Daw   |        | Wibx | 30 Jul 1884 | Gustave Grisy     | 18 Jan 1895  | : Wibaux                              |
| Mission        | Galn  |        | Park | 26 Dec 1882 | Jesse Thompson    | 2 Feb 1885   | (Livingston)                          |
| Missoula       | Miss  |        | Miss | 14 May 1866 | Charles Swift     | Operating    |                                       |
| Mitchell's     | L&C   |        | ?    | 27 Jun 1888 | Martin Mitchell   | 17 Sep 1888  | No papers                             |
| Moccassin      | Meag  |        | Ferg | 10 Jul 1884 | John Arnold       | 7 Sep 1885   | (Maiden)                              |
| Monarch        | Casc  |        | Casc | 13 Sep 1889 | Charles A. Martin | Operating    |                                       |
| Montana        | Beav  |        | Beav | 18 Jun 1866 | H. D. Weed        | 15 Feb 1871  | : Argenta                             |
| Montana City   | Jeff  |        | Jeff | 10 Aug 1887 | John H. Geiger    | 25 Feb 1890  | (Clancey)                             |
| Moose Creek    | D.L.  |        | S.B. | 1 Nov 1875  | William Burgess   | 24 Apr 1882  | (Red Mountain)                        |
| Moreland       | Galn  |        | Galn | 11 Sep 1884 | Mark D. Ledbeater | 15 May 1891  | : Manhattan                           |
| Morristown     | D.L.  |        | ?    | 13 May 1878 | Daniel James      | 23 Sep 1878  |                                       |
| Mount Horeb    | S.B.  |        | S.B. | 1 Jun 1882  | John Morrison     | 23 Mar 1883  | (Butte City)                          |
| Mount Pleasant | L&C   |        | ?    | 26 Mar 1878 | Thomas Cotter     | 18 Nov 1880  |                                       |
| Muddy          | Cust  |        | Rose | 17 Jun 1884 | Hiram L. Young    | 8 Apr 1901   | (Lame Deer)                           |
| Muir           | Galn  |        | Galn | 12 Jun 1882 | Alvin J. McCray   | 26 Oct 1883  | (Bozeman)                             |
| Mullan         | L&C   |        | L&C  | 28 Mar 1882 | James Morrison    | 24 Apr 1883  | (Helena)                              |
| Musselshell    | Meag  |        | Musl | 27 Mar 1883 | Lawrence Reed     | Operating    |                                       |
| Nashua         | Daw   |        | Vall | 18 Sep 1888 | Charles Sargent   | Operating    |                                       |
| Neihart        | Meag  |        | Casc | 21 Aug 1882 | Donald Mackintosh | Operating    |                                       |
| Nevada City    | Mad   |        | Mad  | 6 Mar 1865  | Horace H. Harding | 16 Dec 1875  | : Adobetown                           |
| New Chicago    | D.L.  |        | Gran | 27 Nov 1872 | John Featherman   | 15 Feb 1908  | (Drummond)                            |
| Newlon         | Daw   |        | Rich | 23 May 1881 | William Newlon    | 31 Jul 1901  | (Sidney)                              |
| Norwood        | S.B.  |        | S.B. | 10 May 1882 | John M. Parfet    | 6 May 1893   | (Melrose)                             |
| Noxon          | Miss  |        | Sand | 9 Apr 1888  | Thomas H. Smith   | Operating    |                                       |
| Nye            | Cust  |        | Stlw | 6 Oct 1887  | Thomas Ross       | 2 Jul 1965   | Operating Rural Br.                   |
| Oka            | Meag  |        | Whtd | 12 Apr 1880 | Eliza Severance   | 29 Sep 1923  | (Judith Gap)                          |
| Olden          | Meas  |        | Musl | 12 May 1880 | T. B. Joliffo     | 14 Nov 1884  | (Roundup)                             |
| Oliver         | Beav  |        | ?    | 17 Jan 1872 | William H. Oliver | 25 May 1874  |                                       |
| Old Agency     | Chot  |        | Glac | 16 Mar 1875 | Alfred Hamilton   | 15 Jan 1884  | : Choteau                             |
| Onondago       | Meag  |        | ?    | 4 Jun 1880  | Robert Finley     | 17 Nov 1881  |                                       |

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| Otter          |        | Meag  | Casc | 10 Jan 1882 | Edgar F. Mann      | 19 Feb 1883  | (Fort Benton)                         |
| Ovando         |        | D.L.  | Powl | 3 Apr 1883  | Ovando Hoyt        | Operating    |                                       |
| Overland       |        | Meag  | Ferg | 14 Sep 1881 | John L. Atcheson   | 8 Sep 1885   | (Maiden)                              |
| Painer         |        | L&C   | L&C  | 28 Feb 1881 | Henry McDonald     | 13 Feb 1882  | (Cartersville)                        |
| Panchet        |        | ?     | ?    | 15 Apr 1880 | Hugh McAfee        | Unknown      |                                       |
| Paradise       |        | Galn  | S.G. | 27 Apr 1888 | Adelbert Whitney   | 3 Nov 1888   | (Melville)                            |
| Park City      |        | Cust  | Stlw | 26 Jul 1882 | Alonzo J. Young    | Operating    | : Fort Maginnis                       |
| Parker         |        | Meag  | Ferg | 10 Sep 1880 | Amelia Parker      | 27 Sep 1881  | : Weber                               |
| Parnell        |        | Jeff  | Jeff | 5 Dec 1881  | Charles Howard     | 13 Jul 1883  | : Junction                            |
| Peasefort      |        | Cust  | Yell | 13 Feb 1879 | F. D. Pease        | 13 Aug 1880  | (Fort Benton)                         |
| Perrysburgh    |        | Chot  | Chot | 10 Jul 1884 | William McElhinney | 23 May 1888  | : Halson                              |
| Philbrook      |        | Meag  | J.B. | 5 Dec 1881  | Edward Morrison    | 2 Dec 1912   | "h" deleted                           |
| Phillipsburgh  |        | D.L.  | Gran | 21 Jan 1868 | Hugh Bell          | Operating    | (Browning)                            |
| Piegan         |        | Chot  | Glac | 6 Apr 1877  | John Billings      | 28 Feb 1902  |                                       |
| Pikes Peak     |        | D.L.  | Powl | 8 Aug 1870  | John H. Meyer      | 7 Aug 1878   | (Missoula)                            |
| Pineland       |        | Miss  | ?    | 28 Jul 1882 | Edward Frank       | 2 Apr 1883   | (Goldcreek)                           |
| Pioneer        |        | D.L.  | Powl | 5 Aug 1870  | Nicholas Connelly  | 28 Feb 1918  | (White Hall)                          |
| Pipestone      |        | Jeff  | Jeff | 4 Aug 1880  | Ollie Barnes       | 14 May 1883  |                                       |
| Pipe Stone     |        |       |      |             |                    |              |                                       |
| Springs        |        | Jeff  | Jeff | 12 Mar 1887 | Geogre Worthington | 15 Mar 1928  | (Whitehall)                           |
| Placer         |        | Jeff  | Bwtr | 20 Jan 1887 | John N. Kelly      | 22 Dec 1892  | : Winston                             |
| Plains         |        | Miss  | Sand | 17 Oct 1883 | John McDiarnied    | Operating    |                                       |
| Point of Rocks |        | Beav  | Beav | 20 Jan 1873 | Sim Estes          | 9 Oct 1873   |                                       |
| Pollinger      |        | Mad   | Mad  | 2 Sep 1869  | Henry Morier       | 16 Oct 1871  | : Gaffneys Station                    |
| Pony           |        | Mad   | Mad  | 28 Feb 1877 | William J. Want    | Operating    |                                       |
| Poplar Creek   |        |       |      |             |                    |              |                                       |
| Agency         |        | Daw   | Roos | 15 Apr 1880 | Charles D. Smith   | 14 Sep 1892  | : Poplar                              |
| Porcupine      |        | Cust  | ?    | 26 Mar 1878 | George Murphy      | 30 Jan 1880  |                                       |
| Potomac        |        | Miss  | Miss | 14 Aug 1884 | Robert S. Ashby    | Operating    |                                       |
| Powder         |        | Cust  | ?    | 3 Dec 1879  | Leopold Hohman     | 7 May 1880   |                                       |
| Powderville    |        | Cust  | P.R. | 20 Feb 1883 | Ben Mason          | Operating    |                                       |
| Prickly Pear   |        | Jeff  | Jeff | 21 May 1866 | Abraham Ackerman   | 25 Mar 1872  | : Clancey                             |
| Primus         |        | Galn  | ?    | 29 Nov 1882 | Charles Rehmig     | 25 Jun 1883  | (Pony)                                |
| Princeton      |        | D.L.  | Gran | 21 Aug 1884 | John W. Taylor     | 31 Aug 1918  | (Maxville)                            |
| Profile        |        | Meag  | G.V. | 19 Feb 1885 | George G. Carrill  | 11 Nov 1888  | (Halbert)                             |
| Puett          |        | Galn  | ?    | 9 Jun 1881  | Mary C. Puett      | 13 Jul 1882  |                                       |
| Puller Springs |        | Mad   | Mad  | 11 Jun 1879 | James Puller       | 15 Nov 1906  | (Homepark)                            |

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| Putman            | Cust  |        | Rose | 15 Feb 1883 | Henry T. Smith     | 30 Nov 1887  | : Hathaway                            |
| Pyrenees          | D.L.  |        | D.L. | 26 Sep 1887 | Hetman B. Davis    | 11 Apr 1891  | (Cable)                               |
| Quartz            | Miss  |        | Minl | 16 Oct 1882 | James Vanness      | 15 Nov 1916  | (Rivulet)                             |
| Quartz Creek      | Miss  |        | Minl | 13 Apr 1871 | George H. Sandy    | 16 Oct 1882  | : Quartz                              |
| Queen             | Jeff  |        | Jeff | 15 Mar 1888 | Isaac Kipp         | 5 Jul 1888   | (Boulder Valley)                      |
| Race Track        | D.L.  |        | Powl | 25 Jun 1879 | Philelus Hoyt      | 15 Aug 1935  |                                       |
| Radersburgh       | Jeff  |        | Bwtr | 12 Mar 1868 | Robert W. Mimms    | 2 Dec 1966   | Operating Rural Br.                   |
| Ralston           | S.B.  |        | S.B. | 24 Apr 1888 | Alexander Ralston  | 8 Jun 1896   | (Wisdom)                              |
| Rancher           | Cust  |        | Trea | 11 Jan 1888 | James Struthers    | 15 Jun 1927  | (Myers)                               |
| Rapids            | Cust  |        | Stlw | 30 Nov 1880 | Isaac Hensley      | 7 Apr 1897   | (Columbus)                            |
| Ravalli           | Miss  |        | Lake | 17 Feb 1887 | Charles Stillinger | Operating    | (Norris)                              |
| Red Bluff         | Mad   |        | Mad  | 23 Dec 1874 | Sylvester Hurst    | 30 Apr 1901  | (Butte City)                          |
| Red Lodge         | Galn  |        | Carb | 9 Dec 1884  | Ezra L. Benton     | Operating    |                                       |
| Red Mountain      | D.L.  |        | S.B. | 29 Jan 1880 | Charles Edwards    | 22 Jun 1883  | (Armstead)                            |
| Red Mountain City | D.L.  |        | S.B. | 29 May 1867 | George Searles     | 7 Jan 1880   | (Lewiston)                            |
| Red Rock          | Beav  |        | Beav | 7 Aug 1879  | John Shineberger   | 15 Feb 1923  | (Red Bluff)                           |
| Reedsfort         | Meag  |        | Ferg | 6 Jan 1881  | Alonzo S. Reed     | 24 Aug 1885  | (Livingston)                          |
| Revenne           | Mad   |        | Mad  | 20 Jan 1887 | James H. Johnson   | 3 Dec 1888   | (Sidney)                              |
| Richland          | Galn  |        | Park | 5 Dec 1881  | George J. Allen    | 4 Dec 1882   |                                       |
| Ridgelawn         | Daw   |        | Rich | 6 Nov 1883  | Alex P. Ayott      | 31 Jul 1914  | (Chico)                               |
| Rimini            | L&C   |        | L&C  | 15 Dec 1884 | Brace Willson      | 15 Jun 1936  | (Hamilton)                            |
| Riverside         | Galn  |        | Park | 21 Jun 1882 | Oliver Byam        | 8 Dec 1884   | No papers                             |
| Riverside         | Miss  |        | Rava | 16 Jan 1889 | John M. Hyde       | 28 May 1895  | : Robare                              |
| Robare            | Chot  |        | Pond | 17 Feb 1887 | Hiram D. Upham     | 26 Aug 1899  | (Castle)                              |
| Robarre           | Chot  |        | Pond | 10 Jul 1886 | Hiram D. Upham     | 17 Feb 1887  |                                       |
| Robinson          | Meag  |        | Meag | 10 Sep 1888 | Hiram K. Edwards   | 23 Aug 1894  | (Melrose)                             |
| Rochester(1)      | Mad   |        | Mad  | 7 Sep 1868  | William D. Wann    | 14 Aug 1876  | (Silver Bow)                          |
| Rochester(2)      | Mad   |        | Mad  | 9 Mar 1888  | Jerry Barth        | 11 Nov 1889  | : Albright                            |
| Rocker            | S.B.  |        | S.B. | 12 Mar 1887 | Charles H. Carver  | 17 Feb 1896  |                                       |
| Rosebud(1)        | Cust  |        | Rose | 19 Oct 1880 | Malcolm G. Maples  | 28 Oct 1884  | (Philipsburg)                         |
| Rosebud(2)        | Cust  |        | Rose | 21 Nov 1884 | James H. Hay       | Operating    | No papers                             |
| Roundup           | Meag  |        | Musl | 15 Jun 1883 | Alexander McMillen | Operating    |                                       |
| Rouse's Point     | Cust  |        | ?    | 4 Dec 1877  | I. E. Rouse        | 28 Jun 1880  |                                       |
| Ruger             | Meag  |        | Ferg | 21 Oct 1879 | Charles McNamara   | 24 May 1881  |                                       |
| Rumsey            | D.L.  |        | Gran | 12 Nov 1888 | William Buskitt    | 11 Jan 1897  |                                       |
| Russell           | Daw   |        | ?    | 2 Feb 1887  | John Abrams        | 10 Nov 1887  |                                       |
| Ryan              | Beav  |        | ?    | 14 Jan 1869 | James M. Ryan      | 29 Aug 1870  |                                       |

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| Sadie          | Cust  |        | Cust | 5 Dec 1882  | Corrydon Wilson   | 30 Sep 1909  | (Calabar)                             |
| Sahara         | Meag  |        | Ferg | 10 Jul 1884 | Hugh Cameron      | 11 Sep 1890  | (Highfield)                           |
| Saint Clair    | Casc  |        | Casc | 27 May 1889 | James M. Erskine  | 27 Mar 1893  | (Cascade)                             |
| Saint Ignatius | Miss  |        | Lake | 20 Feb 1872 | Isidore Cohn      | Operating    |                                       |
| Saint Louis    | Jeff  |        | Bwtr | 17 Nov 1869 | David Linebarger  | 22 Aug 1895  | : Hassel                              |
| Saint Peter    | Meag  |        | Casc | 15 Jul 1885 | Thomas Moran      | 30 Jun 1938  |                                       |
| Salesville     | Galn  |        | Galn | 16 Jun 1880 | Norman A. Webb    | 1 Mar 1927   | : Gallatin Gateway                    |
| Salisbury      | Mad   |        | Mad  | 1 Nov 1875  | John E. Closton   | 15 Jun 1883  | (Twin Bridges)                        |
| Saltbrook      | Meag  |        | Ferg | 10 Jul 1884 | Henry P. Burke    | 14 Dec 1885  | : Christina                           |
| Sandcoulee     | Meag  |        | Casc | 10 Jul 1884 | Thomas Allen      | Operating    | As Sand Coulee                        |
| Saulee         | ?     |        | ?    | 19 Jul 1880 | Chareles Aubrey   | Unknown      |                                       |
| Savage         | Cust  |        | ?    | 7 Jan 1881  | William McTotten  | 31 May 1881  |                                       |
| Savannah       | Miss  |        | ?    | 29 Jun 1886 | George Bursoa     | 26 Sep 1887  | No papers                             |
| Scribner       | Miss  |        | Lake | 20 Feb 1872 | Angus McLeod      | 25 Nov 1873  | : Flat Head Lake                      |
| Selish         | Miss  |        | Flat | 5 Dec 1881  | John G. Dooley    | 10 Feb 1891  | (Demersville)                         |
| Shambow        | Mad   |        | Mad  | 19 Jun 1889 | Charles H. Smith  | 12 Oct 1892  | : Magdalen                            |
| Shawmut        | Meag  |        | Whtd | 27 Oct 1885 | Francis E. Shaw   | Operating    |                                       |
| Sheldon        | Miss  |        | Flat | 30 Jan 1887 | Sarah E. Sheldon  | 30 Nov 1903  | (Kalispell)                           |
| Shepherd       | Chot  |        | Pond | 23 Sep 1887 | Newton Shepherd   | 11 Mar 1892  | : Yemen                               |
| Sheridan       | Mad   |        | Mad  | 22 May 1866 | Philip E. Evans   | Operating    |                                       |
| Shields        | Galn  |        | ?    | 10 Jan 1882 | Isaac W. Baker    | 10 Jul 1882  |                                       |
| Shield's River | Galn  |        | ?    | 26 Sep 1877 | David Carpenter   | 9 May 1878   |                                       |
| Showkin        | Chot  |        | Chot | 13 Dec 1886 | Ernest Leaming    | 24 Dec 1888  | (Fort Benton)                         |
| Sidney         | Daw   |        | Rich | 22 Oct 1888 | Maggie Crossen    | Operating    |                                       |
| Sifton         | Meag  |        | J.B. | 16 Jun 1888 | Annie Campbell    | 5 Feb 1890   | (Stanford)                            |
| Silver         | L&C   |        | L&C  | 13 Aug 1888 | Sumner L. Crane   | 15 Jun 1891  | (Canyon Creek)                        |
| Silver Bow     | D.L.  |        | S.B. | 4 Jan 1869  | R. C. Allen       | Operating    |                                       |
| Silver City    | L&C   |        | L&C  | 5 Dec 1867  | John Green        | 13 Aug 1888  | : Silver                              |
| Silver Star    | Mad   |        | Mad  | 15 Jun 1869 | John T. Conna     | Operating    |                                       |
| Skalkaho       | Miss  |        | Rava | 6 Mar 1872  | William Burnett   | 17 May 1888  | : Grantsdale                          |
| Smelter        | Casc  |        | Casc | 16 Oct 1888 | Val Laubenheimer  | 31 May 1901  | (Great Falls)                         |
| South Butte    | S.B.  |        | S.B. | 28 Oct 1885 | William Shirley   | 24 Aug 1895  | (Butte)                               |
| Southvale      | L&C   |        | ?    | 24 Feb 1879 | Alvira Walrath    | 7 Jul 1879   |                                       |
| Spalding       | Mad   |        | Mad  | 11 Dec 1883 | Don O. Spalding   | 8 Jul 1886   | (Ennis)                               |
| Spokane        | Jeff  |        | Jeff | 2 Jun 1882  | Tom B. Warren     | 6 Dec 1882   | (Helena)                              |
| Spring Creek   | L&C   |        | ?    | 6 Feb 1878  | August Kruger     | 26 Aug 1878  |                                       |
| Springdale     | Galn  |        | Park | 10 Jul 1885 | Alexander G. Yule | Operating    |                                       |

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| Spring Hill      | Galn   | Galn | 31 Aug 1876 | Lewis M. Howell     | 30 Jul 1904  | (Belgrade)                            |
| Springville      | Jeff   | Bwtr | 23 Mar 1868 | Wellington Stewart  | 19 Feb 1879  | : Bedford                             |
| Stacey           | Cust   | P.R. | 13 Dec 1888 | Charles Pring       | 31 Oct 1959  |                                       |
| Stanford         | Meag   | J.B. | 19 Jan 1882 | Robert Rabley       | 14 Dec 1891  | (Dubuque)                             |
| Steele           | Chot   | Chot | 9 Mar 1888  | John M. Steele      | 15 May 1914  | : Lonetree                            |
| Stemple          | L&C    | L&C  | 6 Jun 1884  | Henry T. Jacob      | 17 Nov 1899  | (Canyon Creek)                        |
| Sterling         | Mad    | Mad  | 22 Oct 1867 | Andrew S. Hall      | 16 Aug 1883  |                                       |
| Stevensville     | Miss   | Rava | 5 Mar 1868  | John W. Waislett    | Operating    |                                       |
| Stickney         | Meag   | L&C  | 12 May 1884 | Benjamin Stickney   | 6 Feb 1888   | : Craig                               |
| Stillwater       | Galn   | Stlw | 2 Aug 1877  | Horace Countryman   | 14 Oct 1893  | : Columbus                            |
| Stones Precinct  | Beav   | Beav | 17 Sep 1868 | John Stone          | 2 Nov 1869   |                                       |
| Stone Station    | D.L.   | Gran | 5 May 1879  | Benjamin Horton     | 29 Jun 1899  | : Stone                               |
| Stoneville       | Cust   | Cart | 4 Aug 1880  | Lewis M. Stone      | 15 Jul 1885  | : Alzada                              |
| Straders         | Cust   | Rose | 7 Jan 1881  | John H. Strader     | 13 Jun 1881  | : Birney                              |
| Stuart           | D.L.   | D.L. | 14 Aug 1882 | William Wier        | 15 May 1914  | (Anaconda)                            |
| Sturgis          | Beav   | Beav | 21 Jan 1868 | William Sturgis     | 14 Jan 1869  | : Ryan                                |
| Sula             | Miss   | Rava | 6 Aug 1889  | William Whetstone   | Operating    |                                       |
| Summit           | Mad    | ?    | 27 Feb 1867 | Nathaniel Sibley    | 29 Nov 1881  |                                       |
| Sunbeam          | Miss   | ?    | 12 Mar 1887 | Ada M. Ferguson     | 27 Nov 1888  | No papers                             |
| Sunnyside        | Galn   | Park | 27 Feb 1885 | Sarah Robertson     | 14 May 1887  | : Clyde Park                          |
| Sun River        | L&C    | Casc | 14 Feb 1868 | John Sargent        | Operating    | (Clearwater)                          |
| Sunset           | D.L.   | Powl | 9 Mar 1883  | Israel Clern        | 31 Dec 1914  |                                       |
| Superior         | Miss   | Mnl  | 9 Jan 1871  | Silas R. Smith      | Operating    | : Howie                               |
| Sweet Grass      | Galn   | S.G. | 4 Oct 1878  | William Bramble     | 8 Apr 1892   |                                       |
| Sweetland        | D.L.   | Powl | 21 Feb 1876 | Nathaniel Sweetland | 3 Aug 1877   | (Fort Buford, N.D.)                   |
| Tawopa           | Daw    | Rich | 31 Oct 1889 | Thomas Cushing      | 14 Jan 1891  | : Dillon                              |
| Terminus         | Beav   | Beav | 30 Mar 1880 | Thomas B. Warren    | 31 May 1881  | (Rosebud)                             |
| Terminus         | Cust   | Rose | 22 May 1882 | T. C. Kurtz         | 8 Jun 1882   | (Loma)                                |
| Terry            | Cust   | Prar | 18 Sep 1882 | Benjamin A. Bowen   | Operating    | : Thompson Falls                      |
| Teton            | Chot   | Chot | 10 Jul 1884 | J. D. Weatherwax    | 13 Apr 1917  |                                       |
| Thompson         | Meag   | ?    | 27 Jun 1878 | Albert Brackett     | 27 Dec 1878  |                                       |
| Thompson         | Miss   | Sand | 23 Oct 1882 | Edward L. Shannon   | 14 Aug 1912  |                                       |
| Thompson's River | Miss   | ?    | 22 Apr 1870 | Henry Hall          | 20 Jun 1871  |                                       |
| Three Forks      | Galn   | Galn | 27 Dec 1882 | Asher W. Paul       | Operating    | (Chesnut)                             |
| Timberline       | Galn   | Galn | 19 Jan 1885 | James Heron         | 22 Apr 1898  | (Sears)                               |
| Tokna            | Daw    | Rich | 6 Oct 1884  | Jennie Dunlap       | 31 Dec 1909  | : Fort Keogh                          |
| Tongue River     | Meag   | Cust | 27 Dec 1876 | Nelson A. Miles     | 4 Jan 1878   |                                       |

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| Toston(1)             | Meag   | Bwtr  | 18 Aug 1882 | Thomas Toston      | 10 Apr 1887      | (Townsend)            |                                      |
| Toston(2)             | Meag   | Bwtr  | 21 May 1887 | William L. Austin  | Operating        |                       |                                      |
| Tower                 | D.L.   | ?     | 17 Jan 1879 | Frank Twinbee      | 8 Sep 1879       |                       |                                      |
| Townsend              | Meag   | Bwtr  | 7 May 1883  | William Wood       | Operating        |                       |                                      |
| Trotter               | Jeff   | ?     | 6 Sep 1880  | Richard Swarbrick  | 13 Jun 1881      |                       |                                      |
| Trout Creek           | Meag   | Ferg  | 12 Mar 1867 | P. T. Williams     | 31 May 1883      |                       |                                      |
| Trout Creek           | Miss   | Sand  | 27 Oct 1885 | W. J. Davis        | Operating        |                       |                                      |
| Truly                 | Meag   | Casc  | 9 Jul 1884  | Belinda Hopkins    | 15 Mar 1905      | (Great Falls)         |                                      |
| Twin Bridges          | Mad    | Mad   | 6 Jul 1869  | Mortimer H. Lott   | Operating        |                       |                                      |
| Tyner                 | Cust   | B.H.  | 15 Jan 1880 | Cadmus Kendall     | 11 Aug 1880      |                       |                                      |
| Ubet                  | Meag   | Ferg  | 3 Oct 1881  | Augustus Barrows   | 29 Feb 1904      | (Garneill)            |                                      |
| Ulidia                | Meag   | Casc  | 5 Apr 1880  | John P. Dyas       | 22 Oct 1885      | : Gorham              |                                      |
| Ulm                   | Casc   | Casc  | 6 Oct 1887  | Wilson H. Ulm      | Operating        |                       |                                      |
| Unionville            | L&C    | L&C   | 8 Apr 1869  | Philip Constans    | 10 Dec 1894      | (Helena)              |                                      |
| Unity                 | Meag   | Meag  | 4 Jun 1880  | Charles W. Cook    | 15 Dec 1912      | (White Sulphur Sprs.) |                                      |
| Utica                 | Meag   | J.B.  | 14 Mar 1881 | James H. Cutting   | 1 Jan 1960       | Operating Rural Br.   |                                      |
| Valleux               | Chot   | Chot  | 10 Jul 1884 | Nelson Valleux     | 20 Oct 1885      | (Fort Benton)         |                                      |
| Valley                | D.L.   | S.B.  | 11 Feb 1880 | Charles M. Edwards | 4 Apr 1883       | (Silver Bow)          |                                      |
| Vaughan               | L&C    | L&C   | 7 Sep 1887  | Olaf Olson         | 26 Dec 1889      | (Rimini)              |                                      |
| Vermilion             | Miss   | Sand  | 29 Oct 1889 | Alfred Brile       | 31 Mar 1905      | (Trout Creek)         |                                      |
| Vestal                | D.L.   | ?     | 9 Sep 1878  | James L. Root      | 5 Apr 1881       |                       |                                      |
| Victor                | Miss   | Rava  | 12 Dec 1881 | John L. Sloan      | Operating        | (Dewey's)             |                                      |
| Vipond                | Beav   | Beav  | 27 Jun 1878 | William P. Spurr   | 9 Jun 1888       |                       |                                      |
| Virginia City         | Mad    | Mad   | 29 Jan 1864 | George B. Parker   | Operating        |                       |                                      |
| Walkerville           | D.L.   | S.B.  | 22 Nov 1878 | Francis P. Carey   | 1 Dec 1959       | Operating Butte Br.   |                                      |
| Wallace               | Miss   | Miss  | 7 May 1883  | Elias Bryan        | 5 May 1892       | : Clinton             |                                      |
| Walton                | Cust   | ?     | 22 Nov 1880 | Call McLellan      | 25 Jul 1881      |                       |                                      |
| Warm Springs          | D.L.   | D.L.  | 9 Jan 1871  | Luther Barnard     | Operating        | As Warmsprings        |                                      |
| Washington Bar        | Mad    | Mad   | 10 Jul 1884 | George F. Cope     | 2 Jul 1896       | (Meadow Creek)        |                                      |
| Washington Gulch      | D.L.   | Powl  | 2 Sep 1869  | Patrick L. White   | 1 Nov 1907       | (Avon)                |                                      |
| Watson                | Beav   | ?     | 27 Jul 1870 | Philip Lovell      | 28 Mar 1881      |                       |                                      |
| Weber                 | Jeff   | Jeff  | 13 Jul 1883 | Mathias W. Weber   | 15 Jan 1901      | (Boulder)             |                                      |
| Westacre              | Meag   | ?     | 10 Jul 1886 | Sadie F. Smith     | 26 Jan 1887      | No papers             |                                      |
| White Hall            | Jeff   | Jeff  | 3 Sep 1869  | Edward G. Brooke   | Operating        | As Whitehall          |                                      |
| Whites                | Meag   | Bwtr  | 7 Jan 1875  | J. H. Welsher      | 30 Sep 1903      | (Canyon Ferry)        |                                      |
| White Sulphur Springs | Meag   | Meag  | 27 Nov 1876 | Henry Brainerd     | Operating        |                       |                                      |

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| Willder        | Meag   | Ferg  | Ferg | 10 Jun 1886 | Robert A. Richie  | Unknown      |                                       |
| Williams       | Galn   | Park  | Park | 25 Jan 1887 | Henry J. Williams | 22 Apr 1887  | (Livingston)                          |
| Willis         | Beav   | Beav  | Beav | 10 Mar 1880 | Ozias Willis      | 22 Apr 1913  | : Reichle                             |
| Willis Station | Beav   | Beav  | Beav | 22 Oct 1878 | Ozias Willis      | 10 Jan 1879  |                                       |
| Willow Creek   | Galn   | Galn  | Galn | 11 Dec 1867 | Richard Reeves    | Operating    |                                       |
| Willowglen     | D.L.   | D.L.  | D.L. | 23 Feb 1882 | John R. Eardley   | 15 Dec 1885  | (Anaconda)                            |
| Windville      | Galn   | ?     | ?    | 3 Aug 1881  | George Hutchinson | 29 Dec 1881  |                                       |
| Winnecook      | Meag   | Whtd  | Whtd | 9 Jan 1885  | Ralph Berry       | 15 Apr 1933  |                                       |
| Wisdom         | Beav   | Beav  | Beav | 10 Jul 1884 | James Geery       | Operating    |                                       |
| Wolf Creek     | L&C    | L&C   | L&C  | 8 Sep 1888  | George Houghton   | Operating    |                                       |
| Wolfdene       | Meag   | ?     | ?    | 6 Jan 1881  | John Woodhurst    | 31 May 1881  |                                       |
| Wolfpoint      | Daw    | Roos  | Roos | 24 Oct 1882 | Charles Aubrey    | Operating    |                                       |
| Woodville      | Jeff   | Jeff  | Jeff | 8 May 1882  | Thomas Wright     | 31 Mar 1912  | (Meaderville)                         |
| Woodworth      | D.L.   | Powl  | Powl | 13 Sep 1889 | Chauncy Woodworth | 30 Nov 1945  |                                       |
| Yale           | Meag   | Whtd  | Whtd | 24 Apr 1888 | Ida S. Hedges     | 26 Feb 1910  | : Hedgesville                         |
| Yantse         | Chot   | Blan  | Blan | 24 May 1889 | Robert W. Main    | 11 Jan 1897  | (Chinook)                             |
| Yellowstone    | Cust   | Yell  | Yell | 10 Jul 1886 | William Stracken  | 10 Aug 1887  | (Billings)                            |
| Yellowstone    |        |       |      |             |                   |              |                                       |
| Crossing       | Galn   | ?     | ?    | 30 Nov 1874 | Hugh J. Hoppy     | 28 Jul 1875  | (Nelson)                              |
| York           | L&C    | L&C   | L&C  | 9 Mar 1887  | Henry L. Kincaid  | 31 Jul 1917  |                                       |
| Younger        | Cust   | Rose  | Rose | 11 May 1886 | Charles Younger   | 11 Dec 1888  | : Basinski                            |
| Young's Point  | Cust   | Stlw  | Stlw | 17 Jun 1878 | Alonzo J. Young   | 21 Jul 1882  | : Park City                           |
| Yreka          | D.L.   | Gran  | Gran | 16 Nov 1871 | William Ferguson  | 2 Nov 1882   | (Beartown)                            |

NOTES: 1) ? in the 1973 County column indicates that the location of the office has not been determined, and current county identification is unknown.

2) ( ) in the last column indicates that the office was discontinued with papers to the office in parenthesis.

3) : in the last column indicates that the office had its name changed to the name following the colon.

4) "no papers" in the last column indicates that the microfilmed records gave no reference to the office which assumed the postal service for the closing office.

## EDITOR'S COMMENTS

This double issue format has undoubtedly come as a surprise to most of our readers, and if it has been an unpleasant surprise I am truly sorry. There were a couple of very compelling reasons for going to this format on a one-time basis, and I would like to share them with you. First there was the Montana Territorial list which I have mentioned on and off in this column for the past year. The list was finished, and I had hoped our subscriptions would reach such a level this volume that we could publish an "extra." Unfortunately, subscriptions stayed at just about the same number that we had for Volume 4, i.e., 80. The double-issue format permitted us a couple of extra pages, and more importantly the opportunity to combine the long list with some other articles so that people uninterested in Montana would not be completely left out.

A second reason was perhaps even stronger in the decision to combine Numbers 5 & 6 for the current volume. As most of you know, I am a geography professor at New Mexico State University. My family and I are taking a leave of absence beginning in June of this year. For 18 months we will live and work in Islamabad, Pakistan. During my absence, editorial duties will be shared by Dr. Thomas Todsén, 2000 Rose Lane, Las Cruces, NM 88001. Tom and I will attempt to co-ordinate the various tasks necessary to keep La Posta going, provided of course, that you our readers continue to support the journal through your subscriptions and articles.

At the moment it looks as though I will be able to continue editing and organizing the material for publication from my home in Pakistan. Tom will handle the printing and distribution end, as well as subscriptions and back number purchases. It is our deep hope that such an arrangement will work out with the minimum of disruption.

Enclosed with this issue are the subscription renewal forms. Please take a moment today to renew your subscription. Our printing runs are usually limited to 100-120 copies per number, and we have had a history of running out of one or two numbers per volume. In order to insure that you don't miss an issue, please send us your check right away. Subscription rates will remain the same as they have been for the last two volumes. \$10 lists you as a sustaining subscriber and entitles you to two copies per number. \$5 is our regular subscription rate.

Well, friends, that closes out another volume. Thank you all for your continuing support, and a special thanks to you who have submitted articles for our pages. I will advise everyone of my new address as soon as I can. Correspondence may be slowed-up a bit by the great distances, but I do not intend to be so isolated as to be cut off from our postal history research fraternity.

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