



## HISTORY OF WELD COUNTY TOWNS

### **AVALO – 1898**

#### *Ghost Towns in Weld County*

Located about 23 miles south of Kimball, Nebraska, and 35 miles west of Sterling, this community applied for a post office named “Valley” in 1898. However, the name was crossed out on the application and changed to “Avalo.” The origin of the name is uncertain, but it may have been a family surname or a combination of letters from several names.

Avalo’s post office locations were moved in 1914 and again in 1919, to accommodate the new postmasters. The Avalo Post Office closed in 1936. While Avalo did not have a business district, it continued to be a school district as well as a voting and census precinct, until it became part of the Raymer district in 1960.

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