



## HISTORY OF WELD COUNTY TOWNS

### **CAMFIELD – 1909**

*Unincorporated Communities and Populated Place in Current Weld County*

In 1909, Camfield became the most publicized town in Colorado. It was on the Pleasant Valley branch of the Union Pacific Railroad, bringing in dozens of settlers to build houses, stores and businesses before the rush of settlers arrived to reap the benefits from the 800 acres of proposed irrigated land. The town of Camfield was named for Daniel Camfield, owner of both the stylish Camfield Hotel in Greeley and the Laramie-Poudre Irrigation Company, which was to bring water to this parched region of Weld County.

Unfortunately, Daniel Camfield died in 1914 and all investments in the Laramie-Poudre Irrigation Company were lost. In 1921 the Camfield post office closed and the railroad removed its tracks in 1943.

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