



HISTORY OF WELD COUNTY TOWNS

CARR - 1869

Unincorporated Communities and Populated Place in Current Weld County

In 1869, the Denver Pacific Railroad built a line from Cheyenne, Wyoming into Colorado. The first stop, near a sandstone formation known as the Natural Fort, was Lone Tree Station named for nearby Lone Tree Creek. Residents were awarded a post office in 1872 along with a rail siding which was named Carr to honor the president of the Denver Pacific Railroad, Robert F. Carr.

Carr was a major shipping point for cattle and sheep in the 1870s, sending up to 113 train carloads out in a single month. In 1907, Carr's town plat was filed by Milton Warner, who moved there from Boulder. By 1950, the town's population was approximately two hundred people. Cattle ranching is still prevalent in the area today.

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