



HISTORY OF WELD COUNTY TOWNS

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Ghost Towns In Weld County

Legend has it that alongside their track between Denver and Cheyenne Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) officials asked William A. Davis who owned the land. Davis pointed in all four directions exclaiming: "I own!" Therefore their new UPRR station and siding was named lone in 1913. A *Greeley Tribune* article announced that Davis planned to build a two-story store at lone, and in 1920 he added a community center and a school.

As lone grew, a two-story brick school was built in 1925 and lone Post Office was established in 1927. lone continued as a farming district but was located between the larger communities of Ft. Lupton and Platteville and businesses there were unable to compete. lone Post Office was discontinued in 1958 and the lone Railroad Station finally closed in 1978.

The above information is gleaned from the upcoming book, Weld County Towns: The First 150 Years, researched by the City of Greeley Museums staff, Nancy Lourine Lynch head writer.