



HISTORY OF WELD COUNTY TOWNS

PECKHAM – 1898

Ghost Towns In Weld County

A station was established on the Union Pacific Railroad between LaSalle and Gilcrest at a settlement known as Dewey. The name of Dewey was proposed for the post office, but was rejected. Therefore, as Ulysses B. Peckham was the proposed postmaster, the name was changed to Peckham on May 17, 1898.

The Peckham post office closed in 1911 and reopened in 1916. The railroad tracks were shared by the Union Pacific and Gulf Western Railways and this became a site for a sugar beet dump for the Great Western Sugar Factory in Greeley with their own Great Western Railway between 1913 and 1985. Peckham Post Office discontinued in 1934.

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