

Post Office Department,

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APPOINTMENT OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, *Aug 21*, 1873.

SIR: Before the Postmaster General decides upon the application for a new post office at

*North Westchester*, County of *New London*, State of *Connecticut*, at which you are recommended for postmaster, he requires that the blanks in the following statement be filled, and the questions carefully and correctly answered, verified by your signature, certified by a neighboring postmaster, and returned to this Department, addressed to me. The contractor should be informed of this application; and if the site of the proposed office be off the mail route, you will forward his certificate as to the practicability of supplying it, and also as to the increase of distance. If the proposed office is not on any route now under contract, it can only be established as a "Special Office," to be supplied without expense to Department other than net proceeds.

Be careful to designate the post offices by their true official names; and answer the subjoined queries fully and accurately, or the case will not be acted upon.

Respectfully, your obedient servant,

JAMES W. MARSHALL,  
First Assistant Postmaster General.

To Mr. *Lucius A. Carrier*

Care of the Postmaster of *Colchester*, who will please forward to him.

STATEMENT

The proposed office will be called *North Westchester*

[The name of the candidate for postmaster should not be applied as the name of a post office. It is preferable to have some LOCAL or PERMANENT name, which must not be the name of any other office in the State; and you should aim to select a name not appropriated to any office in the United States.]

It will be situated in the \_\_\_\_\_ quarter of Section \_\_\_\_\_ Township of *Colchester* Range \_\_\_\_\_, in the County of *New London*, State of *Connecticut*

It will be on or near route No. \_\_\_\_\_, being the route from *Widdletown* to *Williamantic*, on which the mail is now carried *six* times per week.

The contractor's name is *the New Haven Widdletown and Williamantic Road Company*

Will it be directly on this route?—Ans. *It will*

If not, how far from and on which side of it?—Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

How much will it INCREASE the travel of the mail one way each trip?—Ans. *Not any*

Where will the mail leave the present route to supply the proposed office?—Ans. *Will not leave it*

Where intersect the route again?—Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

What post office will be left out by this change?—Ans. *none*

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, on the same route, is *Turnerville* its distance is *four and 3/4* miles, in a *North east* direction from the proposed office.

The name of the nearest office on the same route, on the other side, is *East Hampton* its distance is *seven and 1/2* miles, in a *West by* direction from the proposed office.

The name of the nearest office to the proposed one, is *Westchester* the distance by the most direct road is *2 1/2* miles, in a *South by* direction from the proposed office.

The name of the most prominent river near it is *the Connecticut*

The name of the nearest creek is *Stapton river a tributary*

The proposed office will be *seven* miles from said river, on the *West* side of it, and will be *fifteen rods* from said nearest creek, on the *West* side of it.

If near a railroad, state on which side the office will be located, how far from, and the name of the station or depot.—  
Ans. *On the Line R. Road on North side about 20 rods from Westchester*

If it be a village, state the number of inhabitants.—Ans. *about 500*

Also, the population to be supplied by proposed office.—Ans. \_\_\_\_\_

A diagram, or sketch from a map, showing the position of the proposed new office, with neighboring river or creek, roads, and other post offices, towns, or villages near it, will be useful, and is therefore desired.

A correct map of the locality might be furnished by the county surveyor, but this must be without expense to the Post Office Department.

ALL WHICH I CERTIFY to be correct and true, according to the best of my knowledge and belief, this *21st day* day of *Sept*, 1873.

*Lucius A. Carrier*

I CERTIFY that I have examined the foregoing statement, and that it is correct and true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

*Wm. H. Rogers* Postmaster of *Colchester*, *Conn.*

North Westchester Post Masters

Lucius A. Carrier Sept 16 1873  
William E. Jones Jan 22 79  
Francis L. Carrier Jan 10 81  
William E. Jones Sept 27 82  
Samuel N. Brainard, Jr. Sept 21 84  
Daniel Jones Sept 18 85  
" " Oct 1 85  
Edgar A. Carrier Dec 19 <sup>18</sup> 88  
John V. Bussell (declined) ? 1890  
Joseph L. Beers Jan 28 93  
George Clark July 22 96  
John H. Schwarz April 8 1905  
Guy B. Clark Jan 22 1906  
Charles Odermann April 16 1914

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Le Roy C. Brown Nov 1 1915  
Edward Elkin Aug 2 1917  
Fred B. Clark Feb. 21 1920  
Joseph S. Shapiro Nov 12 1923  
Edith Kupper Acting P.M. Feb. 4 1954  
confirmed March 4 1955  
retired 12/31/69