

Dudley Township Postal History

Aroostook County, Maine

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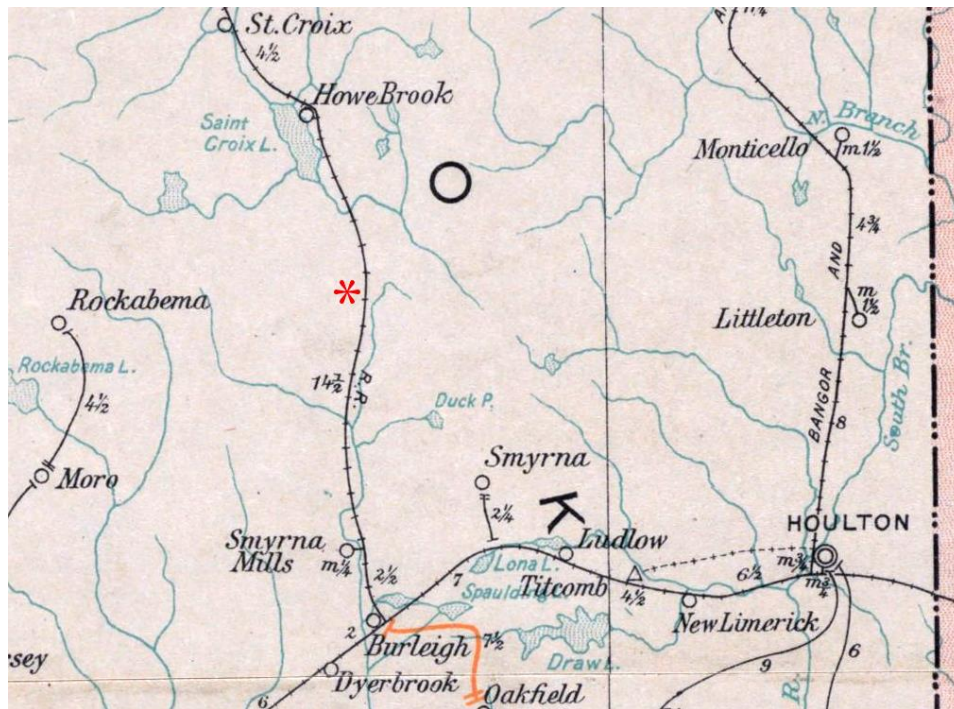
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Dudley Township, T7 R3 WELS, which includes Weeksboro, is located within the Unorganized Territory of Central Aroostook. Weeksboro was and is a tiny settlement located adjacent to the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad in the western portion of the township. (The settlement called Dudley, which also had its own post office, is actually located in Smyrna, the next township to the south. See the page for Smyrna for details on that office.)

During the history of Dudley Township, there has been only one post office.

Briefly, the history of this one is as follows:

1. Weeksboro Post Office opened on 4 January 1898, closed on 31 July 1901, re-opened on 20 December 1905, and closed on 14 April 1906.



Weeksboro was not shown on the Post Route Map of the State of Maine, 1903, but the location is approximately where the red star is. Source: from Leventhal Map and Education Center, Boston Public Library.

<https://collections.leventhalmap.org/search/commonwealth:cj82km77v>

Details on the Weeksboro Post Office are listed below. In addition, postmarks that collectors have provided have been included.

[Weeksboro](#)

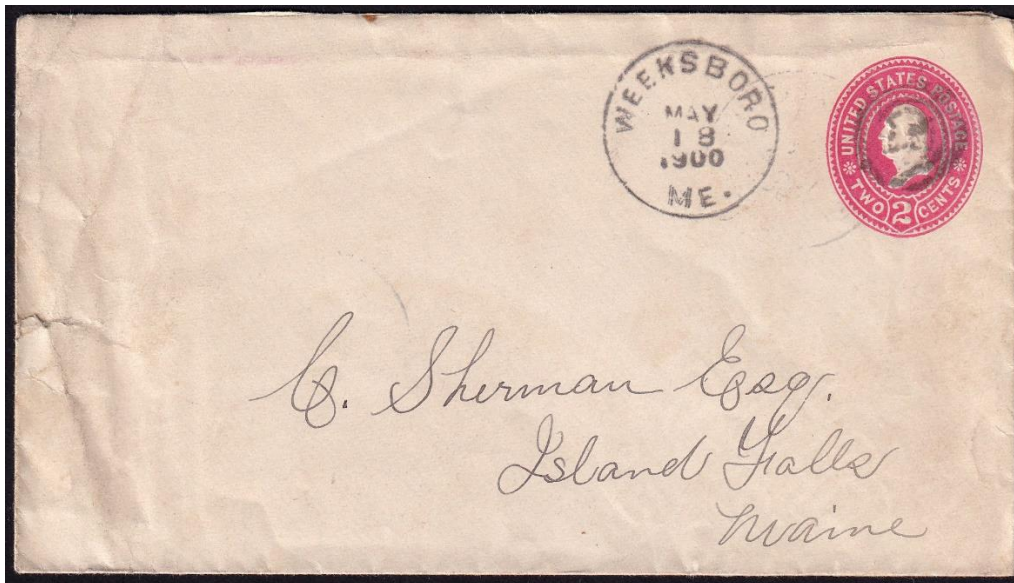
Weeksboro

4 January 1898:

Weeksboro post office opened.

4 January 1898:

Gertrude H. Weeks became Postmaster for Weeksboro Post Office.



18 May 1900:

The circular postmark is 28 mm in diameter with a target killer.

9 July 1900

Mrs. Louise T. Smith became Postmaster for Weeksboro Post Office.

15 February 1901:

Ernest L. Dean became Postmaster for Dudley Post Office.

31 July 1901:

Weeksboro post office closed. – service from Dudley.

20 December 1905:

Weeksboro post office was reestablished but never opened.

20 December 1905:

William J. Bartlett was appointed Postmaster for Weeksboro Post Office. However, this was rescinded.

14 April 1906:

Weeksboro Post Office closed.

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Sources:

The Post Offices of Maine 2022, Maine Philatelic Society:

<http://www.mainephilatelic.org/books/TPOOM>

T7R3, Smyrna (T6R3), Letter 'B' R2, Sherman Village [map] from the 1877 Atlas of Aroostook County, Maine:

https://digitalmaine.com/atlas_aroostook_1877/18/

1939 U. S. Geological Survey topographic map named “Howe Brook” shows Weeksboro near the southern edge of the sheet.

https://ngmdb.usgs.gov/ht-bin/tv_browse.pl?id=1f9d95b0f4151a6805c99f96cfd118af

Additional material, including links to official records of postmaster appointments, can be found at Sources for Researching Maine Post Offices, Postmasters, and Postal History:

<http://www.mainephilatelic.org/books/post-office-sources.pdf>.