# Square Lake Township Postal History

## Aroostook County, Maine

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Square Lake is an unorganized territory in Aroostook County, Maine,

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

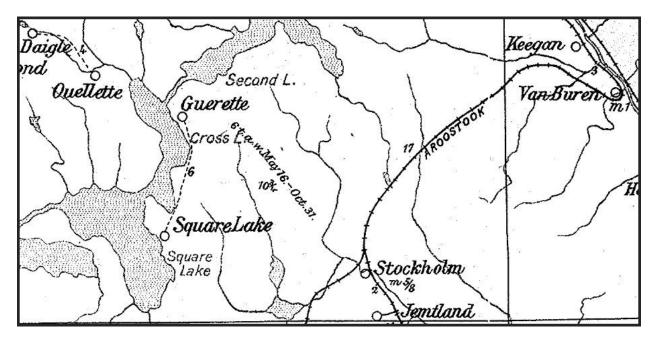
Briefly, the history of this one is as follows:

1. Square Lake Post Office opened on 3 April 1906, closed on 30 April 1910, re-opened on 4 June 1912, and closed on 30 October 1915.

The 1914 Post Route Map reveals Square Lake was connected to Guerette, which was connected to the railroad at Stockholm, "6 t.a.w." meaning six times a week.

(source: Post Route Map of the State of Maine 1914

http://www.mainephilatelic.org/PostRouteMaps/MainePostRouteMap1914.pdf.)



### **Square Lake**

#### 3 April 1906:

Square Lake post office opened.

#### 3 April 1906:

M. Louise Cummings became the Postmaster of the Square Lake Post Office.



9 October 1907:

The circular postmark is 31 mm in diameter with a Doane 3/1 killer. A similar postmark and killer dated 23 June 1906 is known.

#### 30 April 1910:

Square Lake post office closed service from Guerette Post Office.

#### 4 June 1912:

Square Lake post office re-opened.

#### 4 June 1912:

John P. Yerxa became the Postmaster of the Square Lake Post Office.

#### 30 October 1915:

Square Lake post office closed service from Guerette Post Office.

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The Post Offices of Maine 2022, Maine Philatelic Society: http://www.mainephilatelic.org/books/TPOOM

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http://www.postmarks.org/resources/PMCC FourBarCancelsUSPS.pdf

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Additional material, including links to official records of postmaster appointments, can be found at Research Resources on Maine Postal History: <a href="http://www.mainephilatelic.org/books/post-office-sources.pdf">http://www.mainephilatelic.org/books/post-office-sources.pdf</a>.