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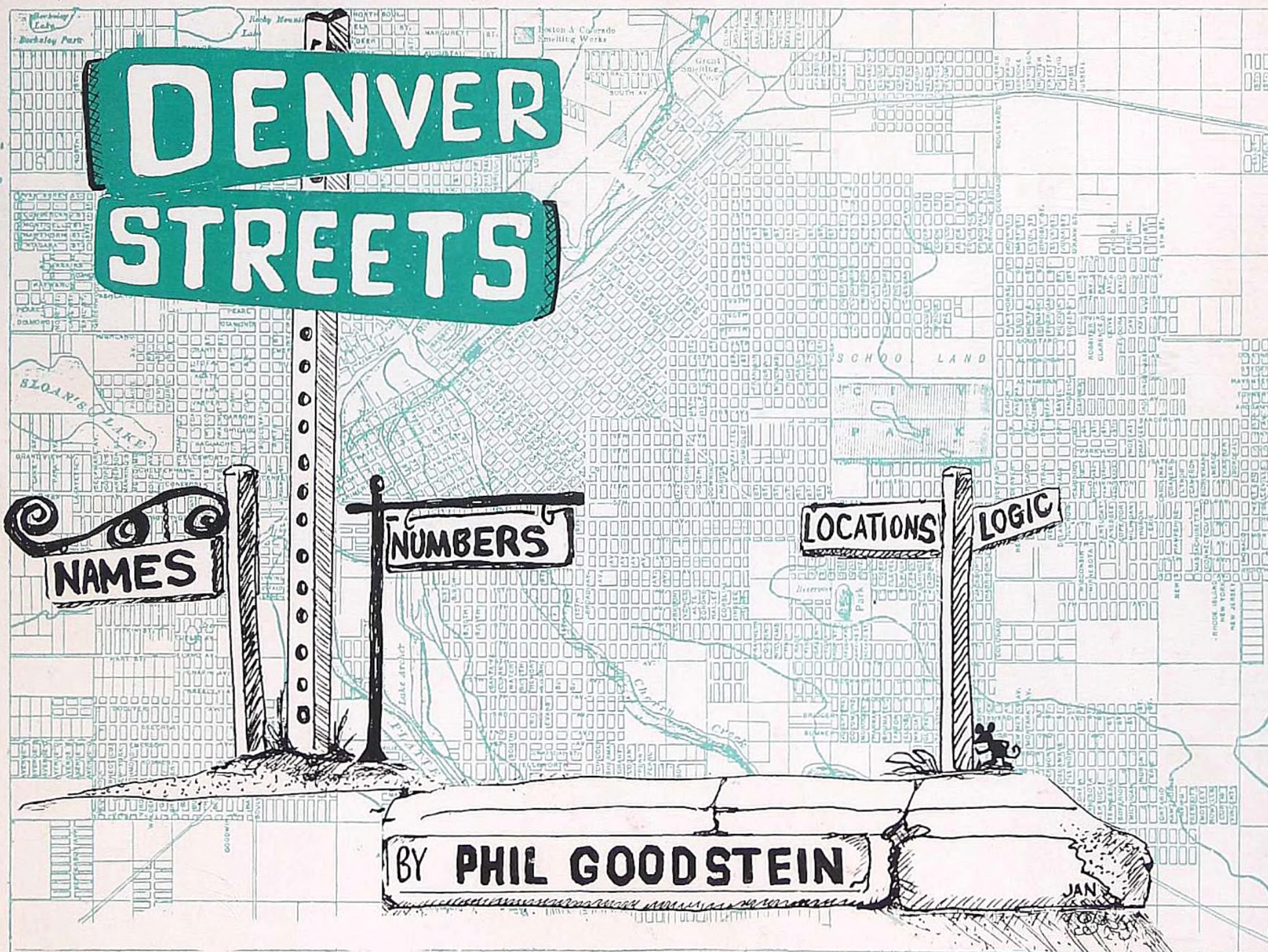
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a friend who knows the ins and outs of Denver streets.*

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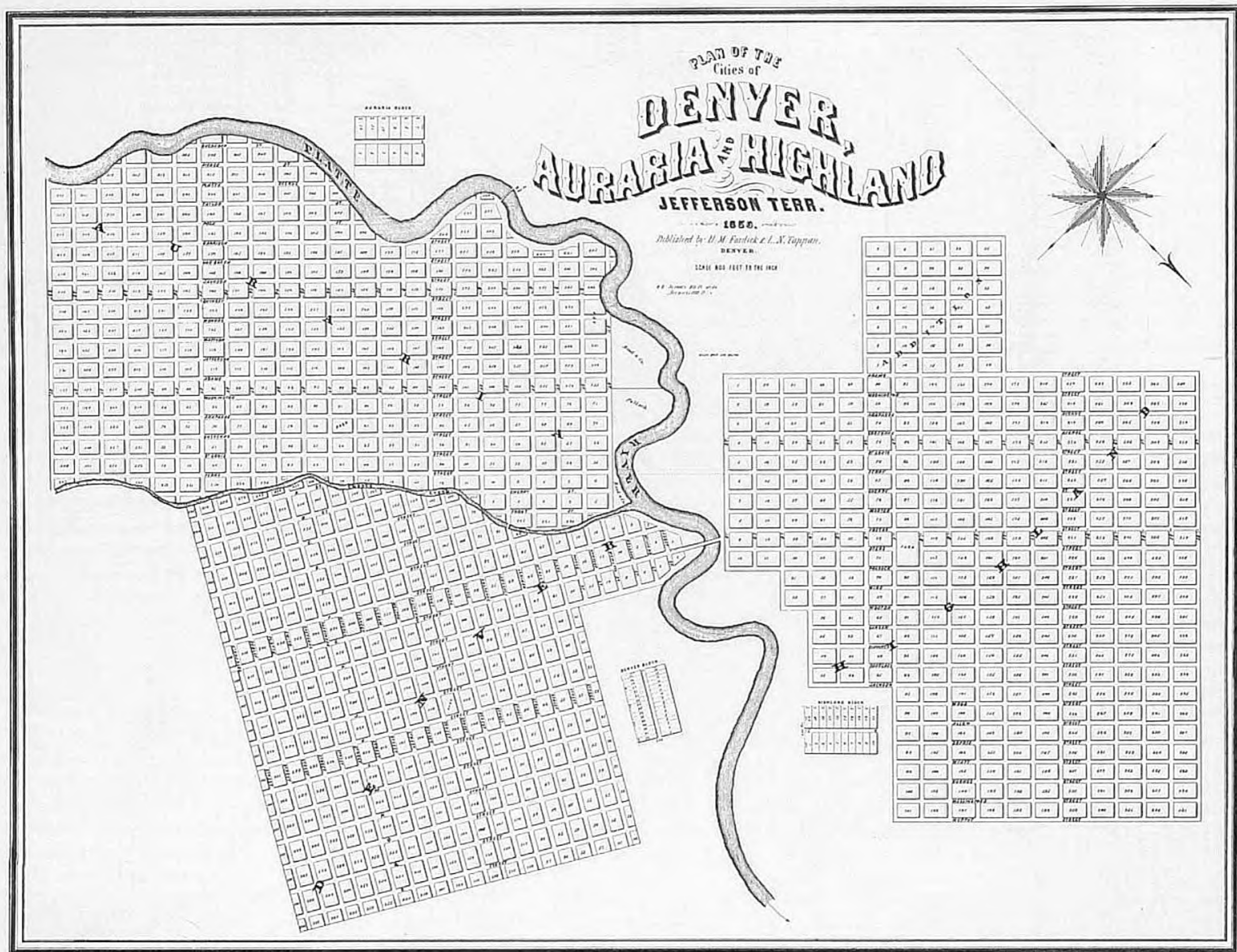
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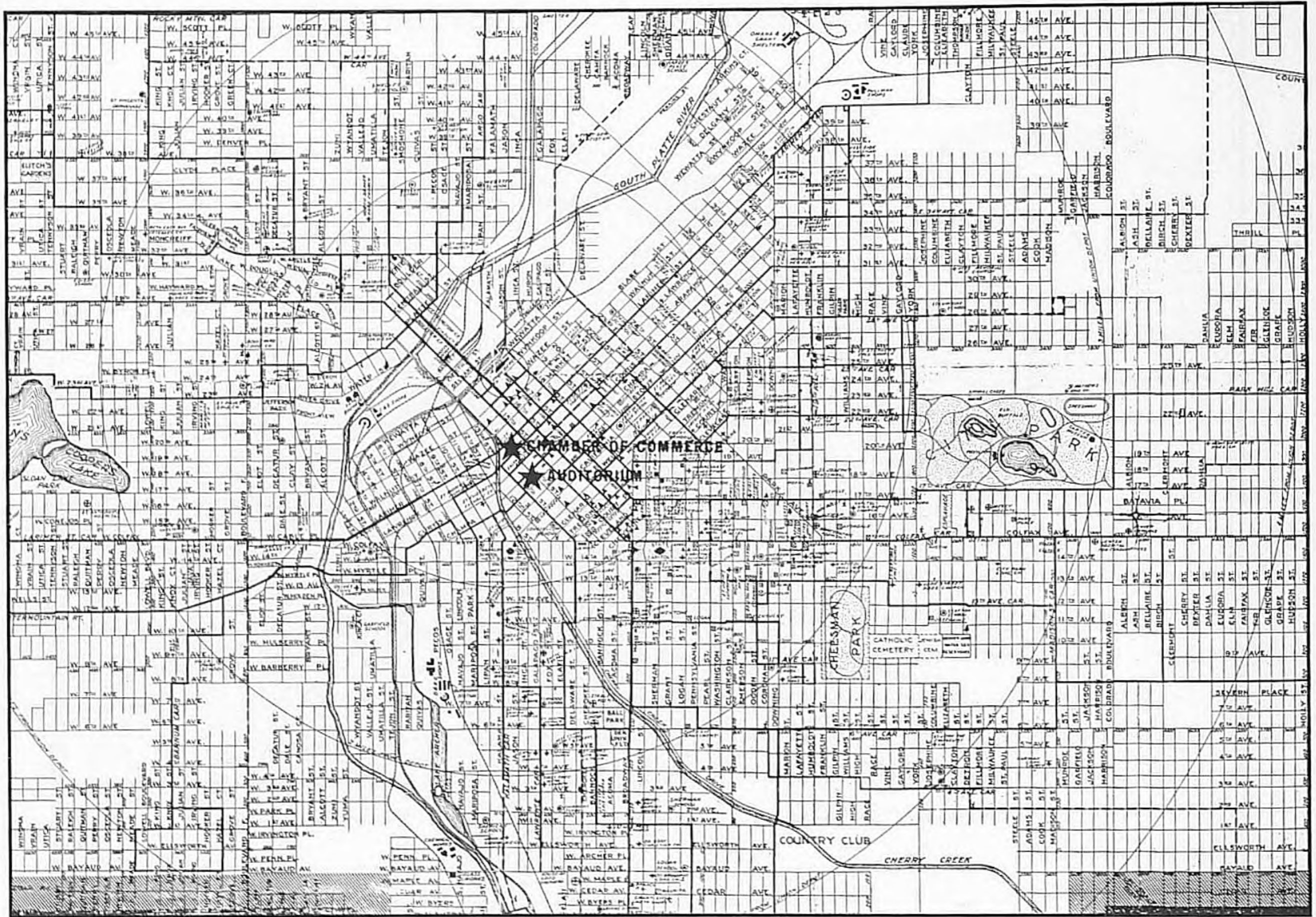
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This 1859 map shows the optimistic growth expectations of the towns of Auraria, Denver, and Highland. Few of the streets shown were ever laid out.



This 1908 map was distributed by the Chamber of Commerce, showing how the city looked shortly after the completion of the street name changes of 1904. Holly Street is on the boundary on the right, Wolff Street is on the left, 46th Avenue is on the top, and Alameda Avenue is on the bottom.

# INTRODUCTION

**W**HERE'S WALDO? Look for him on South Leyden Street. Going bananas? Check out Josephine Street. Searching for diamonds and rubies? Try West 27th and West 24th avenues. At least those were the previous names of these roads—Waldo Street, Banana Street, Diamond Avenue, and Ruby Avenue. When these designations were changed years ago, they were replaced by a logical system of street names.

At least that's what my father once told me. While riding around the city with him when I was a boy, he expounded upon the whys and wherefores of the roads as we visited the different parts of the city. Since then, I have sought to do the same for others. In the process, I have come to appreciate how utterly baffling the road system can be. For every attempt to make a rule about the naming and numbering process of the streets, there is seemingly an exception. To explain how the streets came to be named and numbered is the purpose of this book.

A few magazine articles, notably "How Denver's Streets were Named and Numbered," *Denver Municipal Facts*, 1:16 (June 5, 1909), 3-5; and "Naming Denver's Streets," by J. Nevin Carson, *The Brand Book of the Denver Westerners*, 20 (1964), 3-24, have sought to provide an overview of the city's streets. In the early 1930s, Anna Trimble, the "assistant readers adviser" at the Denver Public Library, coordinated a library project resulting in a short list, "Origin of Denver Street Names." These works are the foundation for dealing with the sources of the area's road names. While occasional newspaper articles have attempted to enlighten readers on how the roads got their appellations, this aspect of local place names has been amazingly ignored.

The idea of this work was originally suggested by Clark Secret, editor of *Colorado Heritage*. He urged me to put together a short piece for the magazine on the nature of Denver street nomenclature. Before long, the essay alone was far too long for an article. I also soon realized that the existing lists of yesterday's streets had to be drastically revised and modernized.

As I plunged into the world of Denver streets, I quickly discovered that there is no absolute truth on this topic. Old maps, street guides, and directories show different names for the same roads during the same era. Not only did the same street often have more than a half-dozen designations, but some early map-makers were sloppy, getting the wrong names on the roads. This both included misspelling the streets (Lynds Street [Ivy Street north of Colfax Avenue], for example, is listed as Lynda Street in one of the major turn-of-the-century atlases), and placing the wrong name of a street on the map.

Insofar as there is an arbiter of the correct spelling and designation of the previous roads, it is the original maps and plats of neighborhoods filed in the surveyor's section of the city engineer's office. In addition to early city plats, the office also contains those of some suburban areas dating from the day when Denver was the Arapahoe County seat. Even at that, when accounts differ, I have had to make an educated guess about the past and present names of the roads based on the evidence available. I stand readily open for any corrections and additions to those included on my lists. I can be reached at Box 18026; Denver, Colorado 80218.

The discussion of the origins of street names seeks to pinpoint the logic of the different alphabetical series of

roads that are the core of the street system. Where necessary, I have gone beyond the accepted explanations of place names in denoting streets honoring Native Americans and Colorado communities. In some instances, no information about a street's appellation is given because I have not been able to trace its source.

Not every street in Denver is included in the sections "Today's Streets" and "Numbered Streets and Avenues." I have sought to include all of the existing roads in the basic Denver grid along with the stories of some of the interesting diagonal and side streets in the area. No mention has been made of such roads as Elmira Circle, Decatur Court, or Iris Place, where the byways are derivatives of major grid streets, i.e., Elmira, Decatur, and Iris streets. ("Rules of Denver Streets," p. 41, discuss precisely what is a "court" "place" and "circle" and how they relate to the overall street grid.) Since one of the keynotes of modern suburban road design seems to be to create as bewildering a design of street patterns and names as possible, I will let those living in such areas define and decipher their own roads. Those desiring specific locations of the minor roads in the area should consult the street directory in the Denver telephone book.

Private streets, such as Polo Field Lane, the roads at Fitzsimons, and the exclusive drives of Cherry Hills Village have been omitted. The work only includes the greater Denver grid. Roads outside of it in Boulder, Golden, and Brighton deserve a work in their own right. While mention is made of the linkages between the streets of Douglas County and the Denver street grid, Douglas County roads are not included, being a world unto themselves. Where roads only exist on paper, but

not in actual real estate developments, they are referred to as "designated" streets. The listing of such roads on yesterday's maps is included. This is to indicate the expectations and hopes which were once part of efforts to build up the city.

The chapter "Yesterday's Streets" attempts to correlate the city's previous roads with those that run through the area today. In some cases, the exact details about an old street differ in "Yesterday's Streets" from the description in "Today's Streets." This reflects the near impossibility of specifically locating the precise perimeters of all of the past roads of Denver.

A major omission is that of the exact date of the change of street names. "Denver Street Changes, 1873-1927," a two-volume library manuscript based on records of the city engineer's office, is an excellent introduction to this subject. However, I found that going beyond it, attempting to specify dates for many of the street name changes to be a hopeless task. Not only would something like Tows Street be listed as becoming Eighth Avenue, but it would be necessary to note that the Eighth Avenue so mentioned later became 28th Avenue. Likewise, roads which are listed as having had their names changed in 1897, continued to use the previous names until at least 1904. Sometimes road appellations were changed back to original designations and then changed again to the new monikers. On occasion, the city passed more than one ordinance changing the name of the same street. Another volume could easily be devoted just to trying to trace the exact details of the precise dates when street names were changed.

The locations of where yesterday's streets ran is sometimes vague. Mountain Avenue, for example, is noted as having been the equivalent of 32nd Avenue east of Downing Street. Millson Avenue is cited as 32nd Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard. This does *not* mean that Mountain Avenue did not run east of Colorado Boulevard. At one time all of 32nd Avenue—which was later designated Martin Luther King Boulevard—was Mountain Avenue.

Similarly, where a street is listed as having been in Swansea or Highlands, this simply indicates the general area which the road transversed. It is not to say that this was the only name of the avenue in the neighborhood or that it was the name of the street through the entire section. "Abbreviations and Neighborhood Locations," pp. 3-4, denotes the contours of old areas of the city. When a road is referred to having been in Littleton, Aurora, Westminster, or some other current suburb, it was in the proximity of the centers of those areas which were once totally separate communities from Denver.

Graphics have been included to highlight the text. Old maps show how the city has changed. The book has been laid out to accentuate the rectangular pattern of old maps and the contours of Denver streets. The quaint, unusual, and diverse street signs of today's metropolis are featured, literally illustrating how central the roads are to the smooth flow of the city's past and present.

The employees at the city engineer's office viewed me skeptically when I first started plowing through old official records. They were, however, most helpful in sharing their knowledge of the subject and showing me where various materials were located. Tony Lopez, Phil Cummings, and H. F. Pool particularly assisted me. Employees in the engineering departments of Arapahoe, Adams, and Jefferson counties also freely talked about road names in phone interviews.

Ida Uchill enthusiastically supported me in this work. Besides reading and critiquing a draft of it, she provided her expertise on the Barnum neighborhood and suggested I consult old city directories for more information about the early streets. George Archuleta critically reviewed the text. He provided crucial assistance in dealing with names of Spanish and Indian origins.

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bear an old cab driver's view of the city. Ray Reagin was an unending source of support and inspiration while informing me of the locations of old trucking and industrial firms around town. Pat Angell helped me explore the roads, while giving me a suburbanite's view of the street system. Portia Kohn provided a first-hand view of the streets of Thornton and Northglenn. Steve Leonard, while sometimes skeptical of the potential of this project, reviewed parts of the text. Chuck Wolfram advised me about maps of Denver and means of distributing the volume. Clark Secrest not only provided much needed encouragement, but also shaped part of the text into an article for *Colorado Heritage*. Virgil Vogel, Gene McKeever, Walt Young, David Wetzel, Monys Hagen, Ed Haley, Jack Crouchet, Rae Jean Matlack, Bob Oblock, Paul Ton, Dennis Gallagher, Tom Altherr, Barbara Holme, Doug Gerash, Jerry Milbrath, Kirk Peffers, members of the Howard Maloney family, Mrs. A. J. Reed, and Ed Jacobs also deserve special thanks.

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Those signing up for my tours of Denver have also been a source of inspiration. Their feedback and comments about the clarity (or lack thereof) of my street directions have also helped me focus on the problems of finding my way through the maze of Denver streets. I also wish to thank those who commented on the first edition and pointed out some of the errors in that volume which have been corrected in this edition.

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# Abbreviations and Neighborhood Locations

When a road is listed as being in a specific neighborhood, e.g., "North Denver," this simply means that it was located in sections of the area so designated. Frequently, the same road would have different names in a place such as Globeville, Berkeley, or Swansea.

**Argo:** An industrial suburb north of Denver stretching from approximately Broadway to Pecos Street, between West 44th and West 48th avenues.

**Auraria:** Once a separate town from Denver, this was the settlement between approximately West Colfax Avenue, Cherry Creek, and the Platte River.

**Barnum:** The area west of Federal Boulevard, north of West Alameda Avenue. The equivalent of Tennyson Street was the western boundary to West 4th Avenue. The neighborhood extended east to Lowell Boulevard, and north to West 8th Avenue. The streets were named by Phineas T. Barnum after his associates, relatives, and people and places he greatly admired.

**Berkeley:** A section of North Denver, approximately north of West 38th Avenue and west of Tennyson Street to West 46th Avenue, eastward to Federal Boulevard, north to West 48th Avenue, east to Zuni Street, north to 50th Avenue, west to Federal Boulevard, north to West 52nd Avenue, west to Sheridan Boulevard, and back to West 38th Avenue. At one time, avenues were designated by letters of the alphabet beginning with West 39th Avenue as Avenue A, extending to West 52nd Avenue as Avenue L. North-south streets were numbered from Alcott Street as 1st Street to Zenobia Street as 28th Street. In addition to the letters and numbers, most Berkeley streets had at

least one or two other names prior to the renaming of the roads in 1897 and 1904.

**Berkeley Annex:** Specifically, the area between Sheridan Boulevard, West 41st Avenue, Fenton Street, and West 44th Avenue, which is today the town of Mountain View. In a broader sense, Berkeley Annex applies to any of the land between West 41st and West 52nd avenues from Sheridan Boulevard to Fenton Street. The north-south streets were both numbered, beginning with Ames Street as 1st Street, and were given names of no particular pattern.

**Breenlow Park:** A large section of southwest Denver, sometimes known as Sheridan Heights, which was platted by Peter W. Breene in March 1888. Its borders were roughly west of South Broadway and south of West Jewell Avenue to South Pecos Street. Breenlow Park then extended north to West Florida Avenue and west to South Federal Boulevard. West Yale Avenue was the southern border. Numerous half blocks were cut between the east-west avenues which were numbered beginning with a no longer existing road just south of West Florida Avenue as 1st Street. Some of these half blocks were later assigned a sea theme, e.g., West Atlantic Place was 5th Street, West Pacific Place was 6th Street, and West Adriatic Place was 7th Street.

**C&S:** Colorado & Southern Railroad. Today a part of

Burlington Northern Railroad system, it had numerous tracks through the area.

**CHS:** Colorado Historical Society.

**D&RGW:** Denver & Rio Grande Western Railroad.

**DIA:** Denver International Airport.

**DPL:** Denver Public Library.

**DU:** University of Denver. The campus in South Denver was originally between Evans and Iliff avenues from South High Street to South University Boulevard.

**Edgewater:** This suburb west of Denver, between approximately West 17th and West 26th avenues from Sheridan Boulevard to Pierce Street, originally named its north-south roads after the presidents, beginning with Sheridan Boulevard as Washington Street. Street names were changed to an alphabetical system on February 6, 1902, when Ames Street was designated A Street. The town went back to the presidential names on December 10, 1904, before adopting the Maloney System on March 24, 1906. Roads specified as "in Edgewater" stretched between West Colfax and West 26th avenues.

**Elyria:** In the broad sense, the area from the Platte River to York Street between 40th and 52nd avenues. It should not be confused with the Town of Elyria which was roughly between 48th and 52nd avenues from Steele Street to Colorado Boulevard.

## Abbreviations and Neighborhood Locations

**Globeville:** This refers to the land between the Platte River and Broadway, north of the railroad yards at 43rd Avenue to 52nd Avenue. Initially, north-south streets were numbered, beginning with Pearl Street as 1st Street to Leaf Court as 7th Street. In 1896, the north-south streets were designated by names while 44th Avenue was deemed to be 1st Street counting up to 52nd Avenue as 9th Street.

**Highland:** The area north of the Platte River where the diagonal grid of downtown extends west to Tejon Street and north to West 32nd Avenue. It should not be confused with Highlands.

**Highland Park:** See Scottish Village.

**Highlands:** The Town of Highlands was a suburb of Denver west of Highland. It was between Zuni Street and Sheridan Boulevard from approximately West Colfax Avenue to West 38th Avenue. North-south roads were both numbered beginning with Zuni Street as 1st Street and given names of no pattern.

**Montclair:** Specifically, Monaco Parkway to Quebec Street, between Colfax and 6th avenues. More broadly, at the turn of the century, Montclair referred to the entire section of Denver south of Montview Boulevard and east of Colorado Boulevard. A narrower definition specified Montclair as the area east of Holly Street and south of Colfax Avenue.

**North Denver:** In the broadest sense, all of the City and County of Denver north of the Platte River, north of West Colfax Avenue.

**plat:** A real estate term for dividing an area into blocks, specifying where the streets are to run.

**Scottish Village:** A section of **Highland Park** in the Town of Highlands that was laid out in the 1870s in the hope of emulating a Scottish Highlands village. The current Scottish Village is between Zuni and Clay streets from Speer Boulevard to West 32nd Avenue. The larger Highland Park was West 38th Avenue on the north, Lowell Boulevard on the west, to approximately West 29th Avenue on the south, east to Speer Boulevard, southeast to Zuni Street, north to West 32nd Avenue, west to Federal Boulevard, and north back to West 38th Avenue.

**Swansea:** Specifically, the area between 40th and 46th avenues from York Street to Monroe Street. In a broader sense, Swansea encompasses the land east of York Street and north of 38th Avenue. North-south roads were initially numbered with York Street as 1st Street. The numeral designations of the roads east of Columbine Street later changed, e.g., Fillmore Street, which had originally been 6th Street, became 5th Street. From 1887 until 1891, the north-south streets were an alphabetical system (omitting the "I," "J," "K," and "N" streets) named after fruits, from York Street (Apple Street) to Monroe Street (Plum Street).

**UP:** Union Pacific Railroad. The first two railroads to enter Denver, the Denver Pacific from Cheyenne and the Kansas Pacific from Kansas, both eventually became part of the Union Pacific Railroad. They entered

downtown from about 40th Avenue and Blake Street. The Denver Pacific, ran northeast, crossing York Street close to 47th Avenue. The Kansas Pacific ran east from the Denver Pacific tracks, more or less along the equivalent of 43rd Avenue to Dahlia street. It then slowly veered south. Roads designated as "north of the UP tracks" between Garfield and Harrison streets extended to 46th Avenue and were vacated in 1951; those between Albion and Dexter streets extended to 47th Avenue. They were vacated south of 46th Avenue in 1947, and between 46th and 47th avenues in 1949.

**Valverde:** Approximately the area west of the Platte River to Zuni Street, between West 1st and West Exposition avenues.

**Villa Park:** Sometimes considered a northern section of Barnum, this was the area west of Federal Boulevard between West 13th and West 8th avenues. Villa Park extended westward to about Lowell Boulevard. From Lowell Boulevard to Tennyson Street, between West 11th and West 13th avenues, was **West Villa Park**. Villa Park was originally platted in the 1870s with a curvilinear street pattern. These lanes never made it off the drawing board.

**West Denver:** Specifically, old Denver west of Cherry Creek and south of the Platte River. A broader definition includes the area west of Broadway and south of West Colfax Avenue.



# The Street Fabric of Denver

**N**AMES TELL A TALE. Colorado is rich in colorful monikers of mountains, streams, and communities. The same is true with the Denver street system. During the city's 135 years, numerous efforts have been made to impose an order and logic to its streets. Despite these endeavors, many people are utterly baffled by the roads.

Street appellations have been part of the Queen City's evolution. As the metropolis has expanded, the quirks of the Denver street numbering and naming system have spread to both old and new suburbs and onetime farm towns. Not only do street names give an overall unity to greater Denver, but their history reflects the city as a whole. Everything from the politics of the water monopoly, to the impact of Native Americans, to some of the town's most extravagant dreams are reflected in the road nomenclature.

Cities were usually laid out with street grids during the 19th century. The federal government encouraged the pattern of streets intersecting at right angles through laws regulating the sale of public lands. The Land Ordinance of 1785 divided the West into 36-square mile township sections whereby the frontier looked like a gigantic grid. Platting a community with a rectangular set of roads was not only viewed as a logical practice, but was also seen as a hallmark of democracy which made for an open city where anyone could easily find his place.

## The Streets of Auraria

Street nomenclature was a keynote of early settlers of the frontier. Some wished to design an extremely simple

system which would guide individuals as the community marked its permanence. Such was the case in Auraria, the area's first permanent white settlement. It was laid out along the left bank of Cherry Creek near the Platte River during the Pikes Peak gold rush in 1858. The community's name derived from *aura*, the Latin word for gold. Auraria's named streets paralleled Cherry Creek, crossed at right angles by numbered streets. First Street was the first road southeast of the Platte River, i.e., what today would be Wewatta Street near the rail yards close to the Platte floodplain. (At the time of the Pikes Peak gold rush, the Platte River had a much wider and more easterly bed than it currently does after a 100-plus years of floods and efforts to channel the river that is "a mile wide and an inch deep.")

The original plat of Auraria counted up to 23rd Street, or approximately where Clarkson Street runs. The road fronting Cherry Creek in early Auraria was logically called Front Street (13th Street), followed by Cherry Street (12th Street), named after the chokecherry bushes which grew along Cherry Creek. Today's 11th Street was Ferry Street, the road that led to the ferry over the Platte River. St. Louis Street (Tenth Street) was the fourth street southwest of the stream, honoring the Missouri city which had once been the economic capital of the western fur trade. (The road was frequently also listed as San Luis Street.) Next came Cheyenne and Arapahoe streets (Ninth and Eighth streets), noting the two Indian tribes in the area.

After these initial roads came Washington, Adams, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe streets, etc.—a series named

after the presidents. Excluded, however, were avenues for presidents Tyler and Fillmore. The streets ended at Buchanan Street, with a Platte Avenue running between Taylor and Pierce streets.

As was typical in western cities, many Auraria streets only existed on paper, but were not actual roads in a vibrant metropolis. The equivalent of Buchanan Street would have been near West Eighth Avenue and the Platte River. Auraria street names neither noted the local fauna nor did they seek to honor the city fathers. The latter aspect was drastically different in Auraria's rival community, the early Denver City.

## The Influence of William McGaa

William McGaa was the man most responsible for Denver's original street nomenclature. Born in London in 1822, he claimed to be the dissolute son of a British baron who had run away to sea as a youth. By the time of the Pikes Peak gold rush, he was living with the Arapahoe Indians under the name of Jack Jones. With no authorization from the Indians, he welcomed white settlers to the area in 1858, and was active in establishing the towns of Auraria, St. Charles, and Denver near the confluence of Cherry Creek and the South Platte River. McGaa teamed up with William Larimer to name downtown streets.

McGaa initially promised Charles Nichols that he would watch the nascent settlement of St. Charles, Kansas Territory, while Nichols went back to the Kansas territorial capital of Lecompton for the winter of 1858-59 to file claim to the land which was then officially part of

Kansas. Shortly thereafter, McGaa welcomed the Larimer party to Denver when it jumped Nichols' claim in November 1858. Denver was named for James W. Denver, the governor of Kansas in 1858, in the hope that he would support the Larimer claim to the land as opposed to the St. Charles interests. As it turned out, this did not do Larimer any good because Governor Denver had resigned before word of the new city on Cherry Creek had reached the Kansas capital. By the time Nichols returned to the nonexistent town of St. Charles and tried to assert his ownership of the settlement in the spring of 1859, Larimer and associates were in firm possession of the land, complete with a street system.

With the assistance of mountain man and trader John Simpson Smith, McGaa collaborated with Larimer in naming the town's roads. The named streets of the future Queen City were laid out parallel to the Platte River from approximately where that stream is crossed by 15th Street. The street appellations were to show that this was the new California, a place where the Arapahoe and Cheyenne Indians lived. The roads were also to honor Denver founders such as Charles Lawrence, Ned Wynkoop, Charles Blake, Elisha P. Stout, P. T. Bassett, Samuel S. Curtis, and N. W. Welton.

The streets named after the settlers were interspersed with roads honoring the Indians. Wazee Street, for example, was supposedly named after McGaa's mistress. Wewatta Street was named for his wife. One erroneous translation gives Wewatta as meaning "short and fat"; another interpretation insists that Wewatta is an Indian word for "clear water."

Court Place was originally Wapoola Street, honoring Smith's wife. Referred to as Wasoola Street by the 1870s, the road was renamed Court Place in 1886 after the Arapahoe County Courthouse was erected in 1883 on the block between 15th and 16th streets and Tremont Place and Wapoola Street. (Denver was the county seat of Arapahoe County until 1902.) McGaa named Glenarm Place after the alleged home of his family estate in Scotland, Glen Arm.

The etymology of Champa Street is problematic. While it is generally agreed that the road's name is an

Indian word, nobody is sure precisely from which language Champa derives or its meaning. The word has been attributed to the Sioux, Arapahoe, and Ute, and has been translated as beaver from *chapa* or bear from *yampa*. Most likely it stems from the name of the Chama Indians of New Mexico. "Chama" was what Spaniards called a group of Pueblo Indians on the Chama River. Chama could be a Spanish corruption of *tzama*, a Tewa



DPL

*Wewatta McGaa was the wife of William McGaa, the man who teamed up with William Larimer to name downtown streets. While McGaa was living with the Arapahoe Indians at the time of the Pikes Peak gold rush, his wife was an Oglala Sioux. Wewatta Street is named in her honor. No legitimate picture of William McGaa is known to exist.*

Indian term which has been translated as "here they have wrestled," and as "red," denoting the color of the nearby river water. An alternative account argues Chama derives from the Spanish for lass or little girl.

McGaa insisted that he be honored by a street. The road parallel to Larimer and Blake streets was christened in his honor. However no sooner had the city of Denver started to establish itself than McGaa proved to be anything but the upright citizen desired by the town fathers. On the contrary, he was a noisome drunk who was repeatedly arrested for disorderly conduct. City Council resolved on May 31, 1866, that McGaa was unworthy of being honored by a street, renaming "his" road Holladay Street. Ben Holladay was a western stagecoach king. His decision to locate the inaugural stagecoach station on the Denver side of Cherry Creek opposed to the Auraria side was crucial in Denver's early growth over Auraria. With the stages arriving in Denver City, all the mail was addressed to Denver, literally putting the place on the map. Consequently, when the two towns merged in 1860, the combined community became known as Denver.

McGaa was shattered by losing a street named for him. He left Denver for Laporte, Colorado. During a December 1867 visit to Denver, McGaa was jailed for drunkenness. The next morning he was found dead, likely having suffocated in his cramped prison cell.

Nor was the Holladay family happy about having a street named for it, at least in view of what soon went on along Holladay Street. In the course of the 1870s, Holladay Street emerged as the heart of the red-light district. By the 1880s, Holladay Street had the reputation of being one of the wildest, most open, dissolute prostitution strips in the country. Shortly after Ben Holladay's death in 1887, the family petitioned the city to name the street something else. Since the road was already something of a market, Denver responded by labeling the road Market Street that year. (An alternative account claims that an open-air market near Cherry Creek and Holladay Street was the market the street commemorated.) Apparently the 1887 measure did not do the trick of changing Holladay Street's moniker since Ordinance 60 of 1889



also mandated that Holladay Street be known as Market Street. Meanwhile, those living on Market Street above 23rd Street and west of Cherry Creek, where the road was not part of the flesh market, were none too pleased to live on Market Street. Consequently, in 1899, Market Street northeast of 23rd Street became Walnut Street; the section southwest of Cherry Creek was named Walnut Street in 1903. (An unsuccessful effort was undertaken in 1939 to relabel Walnut Street, Market Street.)

As in early Auraria, many initial Denver streets were only figments of the imagination. The original diagonal grid extended on paper east of Broadway and south of Colfax Avenue. At the southeast edge of the city, Cheyenne Place was followed by Smith, Platte, Dudley, and St. Charles streets. Also only existing on paper was A Street, the avenue that defined the crossroads which ran perpendicular to the named streets.

The roads running southeast and northwest in the central grid were designated by the letters of the alphabet. A Street was to have run along Cherry Creek at about what would have been Tenth Street to the south of West Colfax Avenue. B Street was the equivalent of Speer Boulevard near West Colfax Avenue. E and F streets soon emerged as thoroughfares of early Denver, the equivalents of 14th and 15th streets. Initially, the alphabet extended to Q Street. Another 1859 map, skips I Street and ends at R Street. Before long, skipping J Street, the roads continued to Z Street (34th Street). Beyond it, to the city limits on the northeast, were Witter Street (35th Street) and Colorado Street (36th Street). (From the start there were questions about including both an I and a J Street. The two roads were often confused due to the similarity of the letters. The city consequently decided only one such street was permissible, whereby J Street disappeared from the alphabet.)

Early Auraria and Denver were in conflict. The two communities fought for commercial and political ascendancy. There was no agreement between them on street names. A jog is still noticeable on the roads between downtown and Auraria. This is a legacy of how, while Auraria streets were laid out parallel to Cherry Creek, Denver's roads followed the path of the Platte River.

However since Cherry Creek flows northwesterly into the Platte River at almost a 90-degree angle, there is not much of a break between the two systems.

Nor was it surprising that the streets were laid out parallel to bodies of water. This was the experience in the early settlement of virtually all 19th-century cities. It was especially the case in mining towns where placer claims were defined as parallel to brooks. In Golden, for example, the central streets also run in diagonal directions near where Clear Creek defined the original community. Moreover, many of the original trails into the Mile High City, such as the Smoky Hill Road along Cherry Creek, and the old Santa Fe Trail along the Platte River, ran parallel to the streams. In other words, the directions of Cherry Creek and the Platte River were at the root of the diagonal pattern of downtown streets.

#### Modifying the Streets

The road system was modified in the course of the 1860s. With the township act of March 1864, when the federal government officially awarded the Queen City 960 acres—one and one half square miles, the area known as the Congressional Grant—the original borders of Denver were set with Broadway on the east, West Colfax Avenue on the south, Zuni Street on the west, and the equivalent of West 26th Avenue on the north. As Denver expanded beyond these limits, the street system underwent drastic changes.

Denver initially tended to grow to the northeast of Cherry Creek. At first, most new additions followed the diagonal roadway system. In 1868, for example, the city was given its inaugural park, Curtis Park, near 32nd and Curtis streets. The diagonal grid ultimately extended to beyond 44th Street near I-70 on the north and, in places, east of Downing Street.

Even before the diagonal grid had been fully developed, it had been supplanted by the north-south/east-west grid. Henry C. Brown was in the lead, pushing for a street system that followed the ordinal points of the compass. An "old man" when he settled in Denver in 1860 at age 40, four years later Brown preempted 160 acres east of the city limits from approximately Broad-

way to the alley of Grant-Logan streets between 11th and 20th avenues. Rather than platting his addition in conjunction with the diagonal grid, Brown laid out the streets of the future Capitol Hill neighborhood on an east-west/north-south basis. Such a grid followed federal land policies and was seen as the most efficient means of profitably developing real estate.

Brown's road system did not please the nascent city planners who tried to block his actions. He got around their protests by getting his plat directly approved by the territorial legislature in 1868 before the city could object. The three north-south roads in the middle of Brown's addition, Lincoln, Sherman, and Grant streets, were named after Civil War heroes. Brown was optimistic that the westernmost road of his development—Broadway—would quickly emulate New York's famous boulevard.

Simultaneously, John Evans, territorial governor from 1862 to 1865, platted the land south of West Colfax Avenue and west of Broadway. He also followed the east-west/north-south grid. About the time his development was in the works, the speaker of the House of Representatives, Schuyler Colfax, visited Denver.

A powerful Indiana congressman, Colfax was the half brother of early Denver settler Clara Witter. To visit her and his brother-in-law, Daniel Witter, Colfax headed west shortly after Abraham Lincoln's funeral. He arrived in Denver in May 1865, right at a time when Colorado was convulsed by controversy over statehood. A move to admit Colorado to the union had been rejected by local residents in 1864. Led by Evans, who hoped to serve in the United States Senate, Denver politicians were again pushing statehood in 1865.

Forces centered in Central City and Golden opposed statehood, seeing it as a ploy of Denver interests. Many in Congress were dubious of Colorado's merits for joining the union. The Evans crowd appealed to Colfax in the hope of winning the speaker's endorsement for Colorado statehood. His price was that a street entering town from the east and marking the southern border of the Congressional Grant be named in his honor, hence Colfax Avenue. (Colfax Avenue first shows up on maps in 1868 when Colfax again visited Denver.)

Back in Washington, Colfax played a central role during the controversies of the early Reconstruction Era and the impeachment of Andrew Johnson. In 1868, he was elected vice president under Ulysses S. Grant. By 1872, he announced that he was tired of politics and wished to earn more money than he could get in politics by entering business. Right about this time, he was implicated in the Credit Mobilier scandal when it was revealed that Colfax had received stock from the Union Pacific Railroad in exchange for the government giving



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*Schuyler Colfax, speaker of the House of Representatives during the Civil War and early Reconstruction, and vice president from 1869 to 1873, was the eponym of Colfax Avenue. He retired from the political stage with a shady image.*

the company generous construction subsidies. Colfax, consequently, left the political arena with a blemished reputation. He died in January 1885 while waiting for a train in Mankato, Minnesota, in 30-degree-below-zero weather. Nobody immediately recognized the former vice president upon his demise, a man better known locally for the street named in his honor than his political career.

### The Growth of a Chaotic Street System

At the same time Schuyler Colfax flourished nationally, so did the city of Denver. With the coming of the railroad in 1870, Denver's population exploded. From a town of 4,759 residents in 1870, Denver expanded to a city of 35,629 residents in 1880, and to 106,713 people in 1890. As the Queen City's population climbed, new sections emerged in all parts of the area. Denver's growth was extremely uneven. Real estate speculation fueled the local economy, while only the barest of a building code and municipal supervision regulated new developments. This resulted in a chaotic street pattern.

There was never a defined concept of a city block in 19th-century Denver. Blocks were laid out as developers saw fit. In some places, there are eight blocks to a mile; in other places, 10, 12, 16, or some other number of blocks to the mile. (West of Lowell Boulevard and east of Zuni Street there are generally 16 blocks to a mile; south of Alameda Avenue and north of 48th Avenue, there are eight blocks to the mile.) While city lots were generally 25-feet wide, they could be anywhere from 75- to 150-feet deep. Some developers laid out streets at the edges of their properties; others preferred that the streets be located away from such borders in defining the blocks of their subsections.

These different street patterns are still most visible. Often where streets jog, one real estate subdivision is ending and another is beginning. This is evident along Colfax Avenue where frequently the streets on one side of the boulevard do not directly connect with those on the other side. While there are 40 blocks between Broadway and Colorado Boulevard on the south side of Colfax Avenue, there are only 39 blocks on the north. Corona

Street only cuts southward from Colfax, evidence of the uncoordinated nature of the city's evolution.

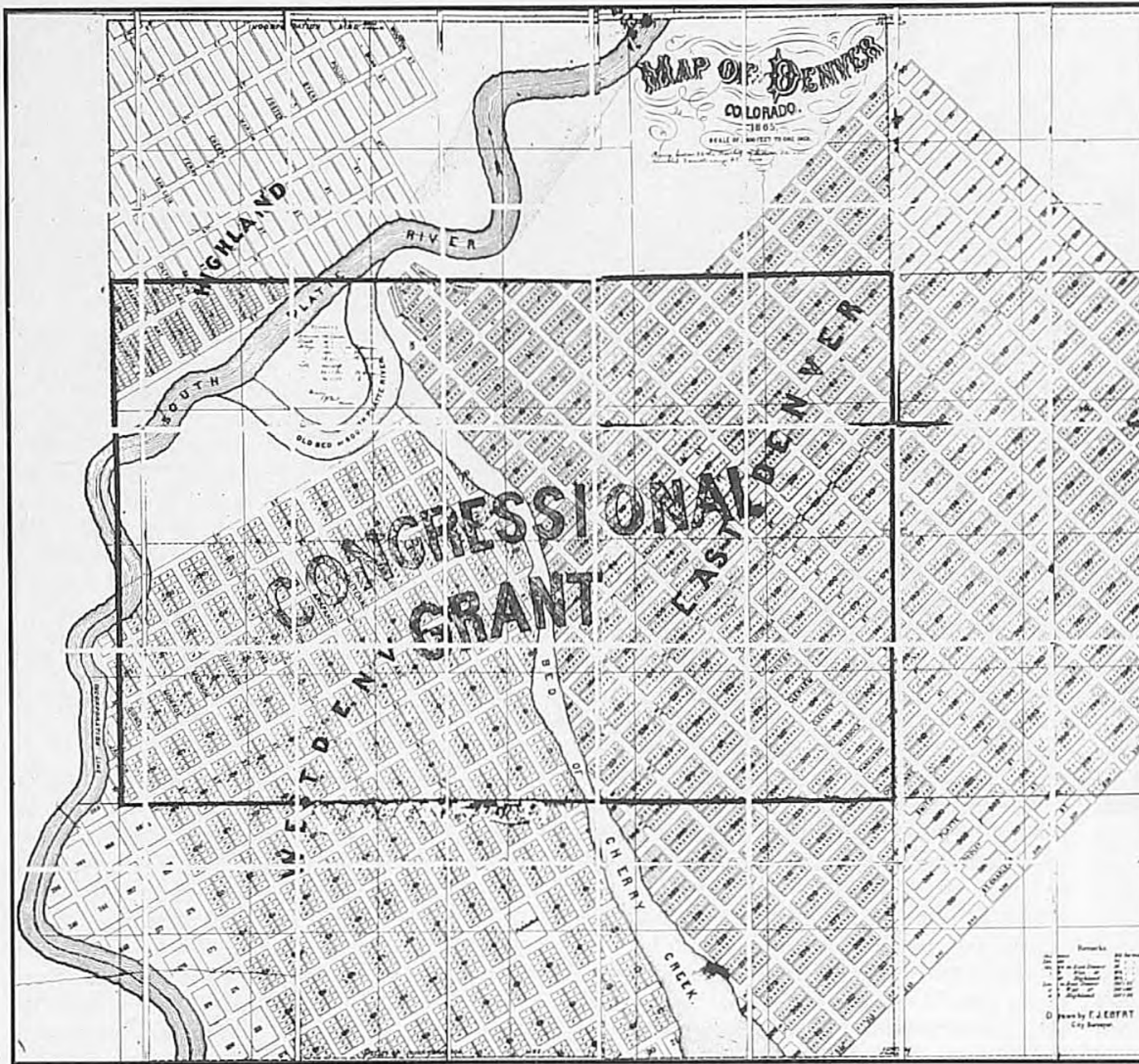
Nor was there any unity to street names. Each developer selected the appellations of the roads in his area. Should he sell the property, often the new purchaser would install a different set of road monikers. The spelling of a street might change. West Sixth Avenue west of Federal Boulevard, for instance, was originally known as Deleno Avenue. Soon the road was also being referred to as Delano or Delong Avenue. In other places, West Sixth Avenue was designated Foote Avenue, Wesley Street, Graham Avenue, Hart Avenue, or Hart Street.

West Sixth Avenue was not an exception. Many streets had diverse appellations in the same area. Occasionally a road had a different name on the east side of the street from that on the west. In another development, the road's moniker could easily change again. Downing Street was archetypical; it was also called Knox, Skinner, Schinner, Porter, West, Chama, and Hallett streets. The section of Walnut Street northeast of Downing Street was Downing Avenue. Fiftieth Avenue east of the Union Pacific Railroad tracks was also designated Downing Street. Similarly, there were a number of Park, Cherry, Washington, and Main streets in different locations.

### Toward a Rational Street System

Already in the 1870s, attempts were made to give some coherence to street names and patterns. The original southwest corner of Denver at West Colfax Avenue and Zuni Street near the Platte River was defined as ground zero on February 20, 1873. This was specified in Ordinance 57 of 1873 which designated Jackson Street in Auraria as First Street, i.e., the first street northeast of West Colfax Avenue and the Platte River. Roads further northeast were numbered in an ascending pattern; 16th Street, in other words, is so designated because it is the 16th street from the Platte River at West Colfax Avenue.

Second Street was blotted out by the construction of Interstate 25 in the early 1950s; Third Street only exists as a railroad right-of-way; Fourth Street was vacated in 1914. A one-block long First Street, however, still runs near West Colfax Avenue and the Platte River. Nearby



This map of early Denver was produced in 1865, shortly after the city had officially been given title to its original 960 acres, the Congressional Grant. That is the area in the black box. The bold line on the top is the equivalent of West 26th Avenue; West Colfax Avenue is on the bottom; Broadway is on the right; and Zuni Street is on the left. Few of the streets shown on the map outside of the Congressional Grant were ever laid out.

is the beginning of Larimer Street at Colfax. At the northwest corner of that intersection was once the Midwest Steel and Iron Works Company at 25 Larimer Street. A small plaque on the building noted it was located at the original southwest corner of Denver.

The numbering system of the diagonal streets eventually also determined the numbers of the east-west avenues. Colfax Avenue, the equivalent of 15th Avenue, runs into 15th Street at Broadway; 16th Street and 16th Avenue similarly connect at Broadway as do 17th Street and 17th Avenue. This is not coincidence, but a product of efforts to rationalize Denver street names and numbering.

Originally, "street" and "avenue" had no specific meaning in the Mile High City. They were products of local custom and what developers, real estate agents, and residents named the roads in their areas. Only around the turn of the century were "street" and "avenue" given precise definitions. "Street" was the designation of a road running north and south; "avenue" was a road going east and west. "Boulevard" was the appellation of a major arterial. The names of many 19th-century roads, consequently, were modified to conform to these terms. On Capitol Hill, Lincoln, Sherman, Grant, Logan, and Pennsylvania streets were initially called avenues. The home of the Unsinkable Molly Brown, for example, was originally 1340 Pennsylvania Avenue.

Moreover, while downtown streets are diagonal, Denver also defined their directions. The named streets, which run northeast away from Cherry Creek, are said to be going "east," i.e., into old East Denver as the area on the downtown side of Cherry Creek was known after the merger of Denver and Auraria in 1860. The named streets heading southwest are defined as going west since the entire section of town the other side of Cherry Creek was West

Denver. Numbered streets that go northwest across the Platte River are said to be headed north into the heart of North Denver where North High School is located near Speer and Federal boulevards. The numbered roads which run southeast toward the Capitol are south bound.

With this logic, the avenues of 19th-century Denver were numbered. Many avenues, like the streets, had originally been named at the behest of local developers. Fourteenth Avenue east of Broadway was Capitol Avenue, the road that ran past the Colorado Capitol. Seventeenth Avenue was Brown Avenue, named in honor of Henry C. Brown. He labeled 16th Avenue "Sheridan Avenue" after General Philip Sheridan. Nineteenth Avenue was Clements Avenue, memorializing Alfred H. Clements, the landowner east of Brown's addition north of Colfax Avenue.

An early effort to number the avenues began in 1871 when the current 35th Avenue was declared to be First Avenue, the first road south of Ford Park (a major park on the outskirts of town, east of Downing Street). Numbered avenues counted southward to 16th Avenue—today's 20th Avenue. These numbers were supplanted by Ordinance 50 of 1886 which linked the avenues to the numbers of downtown streets.

The new system specified that the avenues would correspond with the numbered streets, i.e., 17th Avenue was defined as the road running east from 17th Street at Broadway. In other words, First Avenue was not arbitrarily chosen as the first avenue in town because it is the first road north of the Denver Country Club as is sometimes thought; rather, the numbered avenues started with 17th Avenue and counted down block by block for 16 blocks on the east side of Broadway until a first avenue was reached. The road one block south of First Avenue, Ellsworth Avenue, was consequently defined as being the zero axis dividing the north-numbered from the south-numbered streets.

Elements of this numbering system had been employed since the passage of Ordinance 99 of December



*The one-block-long First Street is in the shadow of I-25, near West Colfax Avenue and the Platte River between Larimer and Walnut streets. It is defined as the first street from Denver's original southwest corner of Colfax and the Platte River. All the other numbered streets and avenues take their designations based on how far they are from First Street.*

23, 1873. It declared that Sheridan Avenue was East 16th Street, Brown Avenue was East 17th Street, and Cofield Avenue (18th Avenue) was East 18th Street. East 19th Street was the contemporary 20th Avenue since it was seen to begin at 19th Street at Broadway.

The system of linking street and avenue numbers was codified by map-maker Edward Rollandet. A Dutch immigrant who came to Denver in 1877 as a school teacher, he was soon the city's leading cartographer. His maps of the 1880s and 1890s are still premier sources for defining the names of yesterday's streets.

City Hall recognized Rollandet's names for the streets in mid-1886. A stated reason for changing the names of certain roads and linking the avenues to the numbered streets was so these road designations would conform to the appellations listed on Rollandet's maps. Even so, many avenues continued to be referred to by names rather than numbers until the city's road system was again drastically modified in 1904.

The method of connecting numbered streets and avenues does not work ideally. The major problem is that the north-south blocks do not precisely correspond with the downtown blocks. At 18th Street a jog is noticeable connecting that road with 18th Avenue at Broadway. The way the numbered streets and avenues do not necessarily correspond north of 17th Avenue is illustrated at the Five Points intersection where Washington Street, Welton Street, 26th Avenue, and 27th Street converge.

In view of the meeting of the diagonal grid with the streets of the rest of Denver, five-pointed intersections are common. In 1949, the city officially designated the intersection at 16th Street, 16th Avenue, Broadway, and Cleveland Place as "Seven Corners." The intersection at Washington and Welton Street was labeled Five Points in the 1880s by the Denver City Railway Company to note a destination of horsecars headed in that direction. Residents immediately objected, pointing out that Five Points was a notorious slum in New York City.

In spite of this, the name stuck. By the 1920s, the area had emerged as the center of Denver's black life and culture.

### The Decimal Grid

At the same time efforts were underway to number and define the avenues with Ellsworth Avenue as the zero road between the north and south streets, Broadway, the end of the downtown diagonal grid, logically emerged as the axis dividing the east and west avenues. All the while, modifications of the street system were common through the 1870s, 1880s, 1890s, and into the early 20th century. Eventually the product was a decimal system based on Broadway and Ellsworth Avenue where the address of a building gives a good indication of precisely where it is located. The Colorado Historical Society headquarters at 1300 Broadway, for example, indicates that it is near 13th Avenue as is any building on a north street which has a number between 1300 and 1399. In a word, each block east and west from Broadway and north

and south from Ellsworth Avenue is 100 in the numbering system. Federal Boulevard, at 30 blocks west of Broadway, is defined as the 3000 west block. Tennessee Avenue, ten blocks south of Ellsworth Avenue, is the 1000 south block.

On streets, it is unnecessary to note that the road is north in the prefix. Only streets running south of Ellsworth Avenue must be specified; that is, an address is automatically assumed to be north of Ellsworth unless "South" is added to the name. The opposite of the 1300 Broadway address would be 1300 South Broadway, indicating a location just south of Louisiana Avenue, the byway 13 blocks south of Ellsworth Avenue.

Similarly, it is not technically necessary to refer to avenues east of Broadway as being at something like 401 East Colfax Avenue, the location of the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception. Only roads west of Broadway need such prefixes, e.g., 400 West Colfax Avenue, the home of the *Rocky Mountain News*. Modern Denver practice has generally been to add prefixes to the east as well as to the west avenues.

The coordination of street addresses to the numbered streets, and the distance a street or avenue was from the zero axes of Broadway and Ellsworth Avenue, took effect on January 1, 1887. Prior to that time, Denver street numbers generally followed eastern practices of slowly counting up, using Cherry Creek, Colfax Avenue, West 26th Avenue, Federal Boulevard, the Platte River, the beginning of the road, or some other location as the start of the numbering system. There was, consequently, no correlation between an address and the location of the street. Places numbered between 400 and 499 on Larimer Street, for example, sprawled over three blocks between 16th and 19th streets.

The decimal system of 1887 displaced this. Each block from the Platte River for numbered diagonal streets was 100 in numbering; a 1600 address, in other words, would always be at 16th Street. Named diagonal streets started counting up in a northerly direction from the corner of Broadway and Colfax Avenue. Curtis Street, for instance, is the 1000 block, meaning that it is ten blocks from point zero at Broadway. A comparison of

the 1886 and 1887 city directories illustrates the impact of this renumbering system. Austin, Reynolds and Company, which ran the Windsor Stables at 18th and Market streets, shows up in the 1886 directory at 222-26 18th Street as opposed to 1420-30 18th Street in the 1887 directory. Davis, Creswell & Company is at 404-14 Blake Street in 1886 and at 1624-38 Blake in 1887.

The decimal system further specified that even numbers were on the east side of streets and the south side of avenues, odd numbers being on the west and north sides. In downtown, however, even numbers of the numbered streets are on the west side of the road. This division of the odd and even numbers dated back to the city's first street numbers.

This was only the beginning. By the 1890s, a vague concept of metropolitan Denver had emerged. In February 1897, Arapahoe County, of which Denver was then the county seat and from which Denver and Adams counties would be spun off in 1902, collaborated with Jefferson County to try to rationalize the street system of the entire area based on Broadway and Ellsworth Avenue as the zero axes. This move was enthusiastically embraced by Howard C. Maloney of the Denver Union Water Company.

### The Maloney System

As the city grew, new streets and number systems emerged everywhere. By the 1890s, it was estimated that there were 832 names for 414 designated roads. Often the same name referred to more than one street. In addition to the current Eighth Street, for example, parts of Green Court, Grove Street, Hazel Court, St. Paul Street, Steele Street, South Fillmore Street, 51st Avenue, West Baltic Place, and Pierce Street were among the roads designated as Eighth Street at one time or another in the 1870s, 1880s, 1890s, and early 1900s.

In other places, the same street might have more than ten different names as it continued in the same direction. Lowell Boulevard was known in various places as Crittenden Avenue, Madison Street, Homer Boulevard, Lake Avenue or Boulevard, Rothker or Rothacker Street, Potter Avenue, William Street, Spring Street, Spruce

Avenue, Shaw Street, Berkeley Avenue or Street, 13th Street, Schiller Street, College Avenue, Adams Avenue, and Gibson Street. Frequently where a street jogged between one development and another, it had a different appellation. Should the land be replatted, street names might change. More often than not, roads had different designations on one side of Colfax Avenue, Broadway, or Federal Boulevard than they did on the other side of those arterials.

Confusion was the result. Frequently, an individual was not at all sure which part of town he was headed when instructed to go to Cedar Street. According to an 1887 street directory, Cedar Street could be: the second road south of Bayaud Avenue in the Valverde addition where the current Cedar Avenue runs; the second street south of Grand Avenue (West Colfax Avenue) in Baker's Addition, i.e., West Myrtle Place; the fifth street west of Boulevard (Federal Boulevard) from Carbon Avenue (West 20th Avenue) to Highland Avenue (West 26th Avenue), King Street; or Cedar was simply defined as a road running north and south in Swansea, Steele Street. An informed messenger had to be able to identify, among numerous other places, Ford's Addition, Villa Park, Berkeley, Summer's West Denver, Breenlow Park, and Garden Place, in defining the streets of the city. The post office and the police and fire departments were all disoriented by the bewildering array of roads in town. This problem especially irritated Howard Maloney, a bookkeeper for the water company.

The Denver Union Water Company was a privately-owned utility which had consolidated itself as the city's water monopoly in the 1890s. Generally, it was greatly hated by the citizenry for its high rates and poor service. Maloney suffered much of the criticism when ratepayers complained about being double-billed or not getting service as ordered and promised. Messengers for the water company often could not find customers to deliver bills. When Maloney sought to discover the cause of these failings on the part of the water works, he realized that the Denver Union Water Company was not precisely clear of where its customers lived because of the chaotic street system. He did something about it.

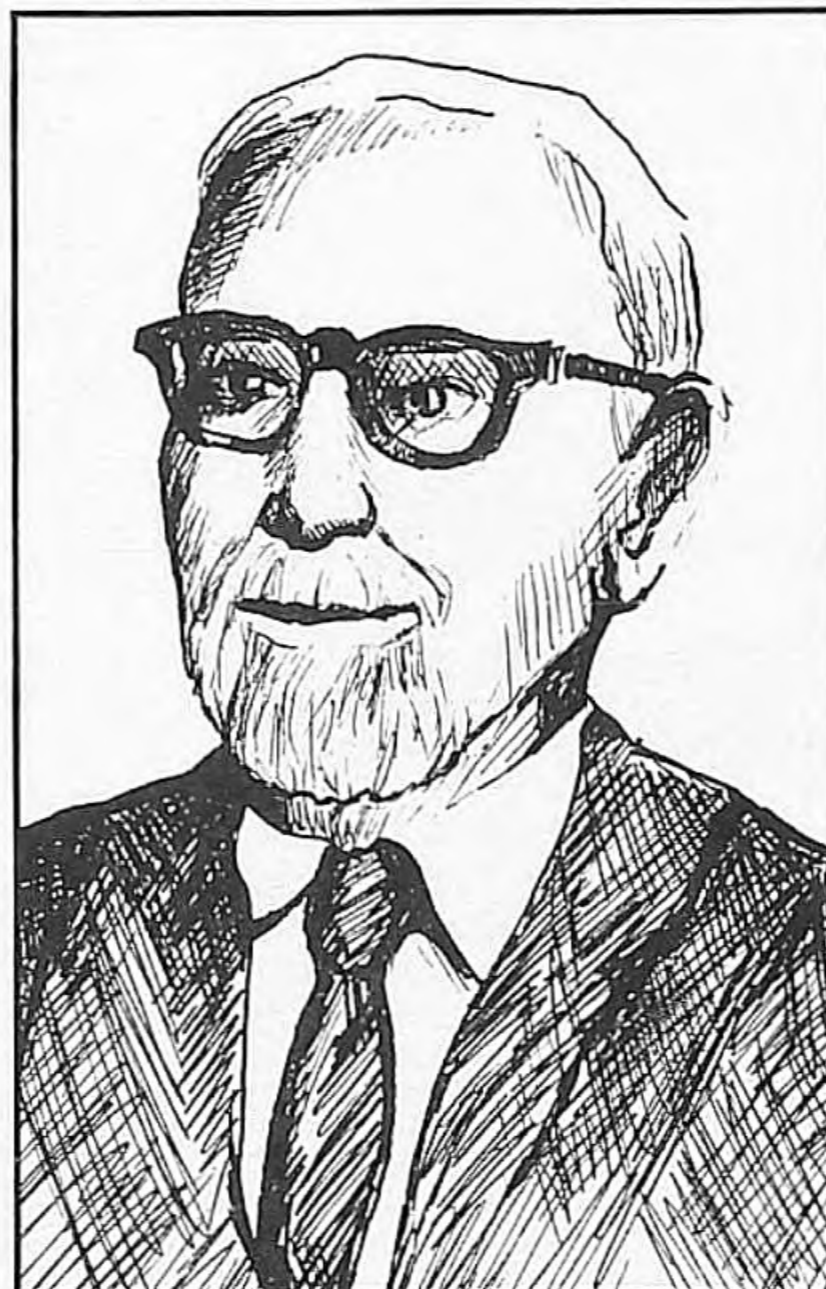
With the full support of the water company, the city passed Ordinance 16 of February 20, 1897, which paved the way for imposing an alphabetical order on the city's streets. The bill changed the names of the roads in the Highlands, Barnum, and Colfax neighborhoods. These were areas north of the Platte River which had been previously independent towns before being annexed to Denver in the wake of the economic crash of 1893. Streets in most of the rest of the city were changed by Ordinance 19 of February 18, 1904, when many of the street names of North Denver, which had been modified by the 1897 action, were again changed. Englewood, Sheridan, Aurora, Edgewater, and sections of unincorporated Jefferson and Arapahoe counties changed the names of their streets in 1906.

The keynote of the system was that all roads running the same way and the same distance from a given point would have the same name. The 4800 east block east, in other words, would always be Dahlia Street whether it is in the City and County of Denver or in one of the suburbs because the metropolitan area shared the Broadway and Ellsworth Avenue axes.

Maloney provided many of the new street names. Even before the passage of the 1897 ordinance, with the aid of a draftsman in the city engineer's office, Charles Stoll, Maloney devoted himself to devising a logical system to rename the streets of the city. Born on a farm near Dover, Delaware, on September 14, 1865, Maloney graduated from Eastman Business College in New York at age 19. He headed west as an implement dealer and worked as an Indian agent in Montana prior to settling in Denver. Maloney seized upon a series of theme alphabets to define the new street system.

### Indian Streets

The first alphabet begins west of Broadway with Acoma, Bannock, Cherokee, Delaware, Elati streets, etc. Here Maloney drew on names of Indian tribes. But immediately there were problems. Despite there being such tribes as the Gabrielino, Gosiute, Gila Apache, and Gros Ventre, Maloney could not find a "G" Indian tribe which had an easily pronounceable name. The "G" road



Sketch by Jan McConnoll

*Howard C. Maloney was a bookkeeper for the Denver Union Water Company. Frustrated by the fact the utility could not find its customers due to the bewildering array of street names around town, he helped codify the road names, imposing alphabets on them. He died shortly after his 100th birthday in late 1965.*

consequently was labeled Galapago Street after the Galapagos Islands, supposedly having some connection with American Indians.

There were "J" Indian tribes available when Maloney approached the "J" street such as the Jicarilla Apache and Jemez Pueblo of New Mexico. Maloney shied away

from them since they had Spanish pronunciations which do not sound like an English "J." Rather, he called the "J" road Jason Street, after Jason of classical mythology, who led the first argonauts.

No sooner was the Maloney System installed than there were outraged protests from the residents of West Denver. Efforts at rationalizing the names of the streets between Broadway and the Platte River south of West Colfax Avenue had been made since the 1860s. In the same manner that downtown numbered streets connected with the numbered avenues of Capitol Hill, the streets south of West Colfax Avenue were to connect with their downtown counterparts. Zuni Street was South First Street—the first street east of the Platte River which ran into First Street at West Colfax Avenue. Kalamath Street was South 11th Street since it linked up with 11th Street at Colfax. Bannock Street was South 14th Street. Elati Street was South Tremont Street because it intersected with Tremont Place at West Colfax Avenue rather than with a numbered street.

Until 1873, some of the streets of West Denver were the south version of the lettered streets of the original Denver roads. Acoma Street was South F Street before it became South 15th Street; Bannock Street was South E Street prior to being designated South 14th Street; and Delaware Street was South D Street before it was changed into South 13th Street in the same manner that D, E, and F streets became 13th, 14th, and 15th streets. Similarly, Lipan Street was South St. Louis Street which connected with St. Louis Street (Tenth Street) at Colfax.

This system did not work ideally. The roads south of Colfax often did not directly correlate with the downtown numbered streets. Consequently, there were gaps between the south numbered streets: Evans Street (Cherokee Street) which connected with Court Place, but not a numbered street at Colfax, was between South 14th Street (Bannock Street) and South 13th Street (Delaware Street); and three blocks were between South 12th Street (Fox Street) and South 11th Street (Kalamath Street). Meanwhile, the central arterial of West Denver was Santa Fe Avenue, the original road settlers had taken coming north to Denver from the path that eventually

connected with the Santa Fe Trail, i.e., the road taking traders to Santa Fe, New Mexico. This highway was dubbed Jason Street.

Such arbitrary changes of street names, the residents of West Denver complained, were intolerable. Not only were they actions of city planners and do-gooders to destroy the historic fabric of the neighborhood, but an extreme anti-Indian bias was shown in protests against the new street system. Local newspapers decried honoring "savages" by such names. The Indian tribes so listed, the *Denver Times* observed, had minimal connection with Colorado history. The names, the paper insisted, were "ridiculous ones" that were "difficult to pronounce and equally hard to spell."

For some years, residents resolutely refused to use these new street names. Suggestions were offered for an alphabet beginning Ashley, Boone, Clancey, Dudley, etc., honoring early white pioneers of Colorado. Despite such protests, and the continued use of the old street names by residents, the Maloney System was eventually adopted in West Denver except along Santa Fe.

After nearly a decade of continued protests, in 1912, residents won their way when Jason Street was renamed Santa Fe Drive. However where Santa Fe Drive breaks off from the street grid to follow the Platte River south of West Alameda Avenue, Jason Street emerges as the road between Inca and Kalamath streets. Until 1929, South Jason Street south of Alameda Avenue was considered the continuation of South Santa Fe Drive. Similarly, the road in North Denver was only changed back to Jason Street from Santa Fe Drive upon the passage of Ordinance 223 of 1950. In Englewood, the two roads east of South Santa Fe Drive were Topeka Court (South Windermere Street) and Atchison Street (South Mariposa Street). The result was to have a set of roads Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe—emulating the name of the railroad that ran parallel to them.

The "Z" road of the Indian alphabet is Zuni Street, 24 blocks or one and one half miles west of Broadway. To make the alphabet fit in the mile limits, Maloney declared that the "X" and "Y" streets, Xinka Court and Yuma Street, were half-streets which, because they did

not cut through to West Colfax Avenue or in North Denver, did not deserve a full 100 designation in the numbering system.

The "H" street—Huron Street—the 800 west block which is a half mile west of Broadway, does not cut directly south from West Colfax Avenue. North of the central business district, Huron Street is mostly a railroad right-of-way. The fact that Huron Street does not run through the entire grid has distorted the numbering system west of Broadway. In West Denver, Inca Street, designated the ninth road west of Broadway, is the 800 west block. Other roads are similarly off by 100 in the numbering system through Osage Street.

The confusion is further compounded in North Denver where the street numbers are also slightly different from the rest of the city. Inca Street there is the 1000 west block. Streets continue to be 100 greater in the numbering system in North Denver than in the rest of the city through Quivas Street, the 1800 west block in North Denver. Raritan Street, the 1800 west block on the general grid, does not run through most of North Denver whereby the next road after Quivas Street, Shoshone Street, resumes the general numbering pattern of the grid.

Denverites have developed their own distinctive accent in pronouncing many of the Indian streets. While the Acoma Indians of New Mexico pronounce their name Awk-cuh-muh, with the accent on the first syllable, locals call the street Uh-comb-mah, with the accent on the second syllable. Similarly Zuni (Zoo-nyee) becomes Zoo-nigh. There is no agreement as to whether Pecos Street is Pay-cos or Pee-cos or if Shoshone should be pronounced Show-shone or Show-show-nee.

#### West of Zuni Street

West of Zuni Street a new alphabet begins: Alcott, Bryant, Clay, Decatur, Eliot streets, etc. Once more there is a theme, and once more it does not quite live up to expectations. This second alphabet generally honors great Americans, especially authors, military figures, scientists, politicians, and explorers. Children's writer Louisa May Alcott, poet and editor James Cullen Bryant,

United States Senator and Secretary of State Henry Clay, naval officers Stephen Decatur and Oliver Hazard Perry, politician George Julian, General Joseph Hooker, and poet James Russell Lowell are among those remembered in this set of streets. English scientist Isaac Newton, explorer Walter Raleigh, and poet Alfred Tennyson are also the namesakes of roads in this alphabet.

Then there was the question of the "F" street. Originally, Zuni Street was the city line. West of it, north of West Colfax Avenue, was a separate suburban community, The Highlands. This town sought to be a splendid, high-class suburban utopian settlement. It had originally numbered its north-south streets with Zuni Street being First Street. In addition to the numbered designations, Highlands streets had other names. Such was the case with Seventh Street, today's Federal Boulevard.

This was the main street of Highlands, half a mile west of Zuni Street. Nobody referred to it as Seventh Street; rather it was simply called "The Boulevard." Laid out in 1871, it was one of 19th-century Denver's most magnificent promenades, with medians and trees, fronted by many imposing mansions. When the initial impetus to rename the streets was undertaken, residents made it known that they wished to preserve The Boulevard.

When the streets of North Denver were reorganized in 1897, The Boulevard was designated Boulevard F, thereby retaining the street's name while incorporating it into the alphabetical system. Only in 1912 did the arterial become Federal Boulevard with no connection with the rest of the naming theme.

Nor was Maloney quite able to fit in some of the other streets of this alphabet. Utica Street is the "U" street, named after the town in upstate New York near where Maloney once lived. Utica, New York, in turn, is part of a series of towns in upstate New York named for cities from classical antiquity. Syracuse Street and Ithaca Avenue are other roads named for these cities of upstate New York.

Wolff Street recalls Hiram G. Wolff, a major landowner in North Denver. Rather than memorializing novelist George Eliot, Eliot Street was named for John Eliot, a missionary to the Indians. Francis Xavier, a 16th-

century Spaniard, was the Jesuit apostle to the East Indies. Needing an "X" street, Maloney apparently figured that East Indies, West Indies, Indians, and Denver all somehow blended in for a road designation. Zenobia was the queen of Palmyra in the third century. Winona Court, derived from a personal name for a Sioux woman, was added between Utica and Wolff streets so the alphabet would end one block before Sheridan Boulevard, the line dividing Denver and Jefferson counties.

### Fort Sheridan

Sheridan Boulevard—once known in places as Washington Street, County Line Road, Sloan Avenue, and Denver West Road—was so named because it was the road heading to Fort Sheridan, near of southern suburb of Sheridan. This was another project that did not ideally work out in the mid-1880s. At that time there was a national push to build military bases on the outskirts of cities. Senator John A. Logan of Illinois, who had served as a Union general in the Civil War and later as the commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, the powerful Civil War veterans' organization, was in the vanguard of this campaign. He was insistent that a major military base be erected north of Chicago where troops would be readily available to crush labor protests in the Windy City.

At the same time that Senator Logan was pushing for a Fort Logan near Chicago, Denver boosters sought a military base. They aimed to name it after General Philip Sheridan, the veteran commander of the army who was best known for his quip that the only good Indian is a dead Indian. One year after the authorization to construct both Fort Logan and Fort Sheridan passed in 1887, General Sheridan died. While still alive, he made it known that he preferred to be honored by having the new imposing military base near Chicago named for him rather than the small post on the outskirts of Denver. As a compromise, Senator Logan came to the Queen City for the dedication of Fort Logan, a military camp reached via Sheridan Boulevard. (Hampden Avenue was similarly once named Sheridan Avenue since that road also approached the military base.)

West of Sheridan Boulevard, Maloney installed one more alphabet: Ames, Benton, Chase, Depew streets, etc. The street nomenclature was to honor United States senators, Supreme Court justices, and other politicians. Adelbert Ames represented Mississippi in the Senate during Reconstruction. Thomas Hart Benton was long a senator from Missouri. Salmon P. Chase was the man Abraham Lincoln appointed chief justice. Chauncey Depew, a senator from New York, was viewed as one of the most corrupt politicians of the Gilded Age. Supreme Court justices John Marshall, John Harlan, and John Jay are among others honored by this alphabet as are Colorado Governor Benjamin Eaton (1881-83), and one of Colorado's first senators, Henry M. Teller (1876-82, 1885-1909).

Near the end of this alphabet is Wadsworth Boulevard, a suburban street remembering Benjamin Franklin Wadsworth, the founder of Arvada. (Arvada was named by Wadsworth's wife for her sister's husband, Hiram Arvada Haskim.) Wadsworth Boulevard effectively marks the western end of the Maloney System. That Wadsworth Boulevard is a thoroughfare a mile and a half west of Sheridan is not surprising. Often the original country roads were the divisions between land sections, 640-acre lots that were a square mile. Homesteaders were entitled to claim quarter-sections. Arterials, usually a half-mile or a mile apart, running along section lines, such as Pierce and Kipling streets, emerged as the natural thoroughfares when this one-time agricultural and sparsely settled suburban area grew into part of greater Denver after World War II.

### Jefferson County Streets

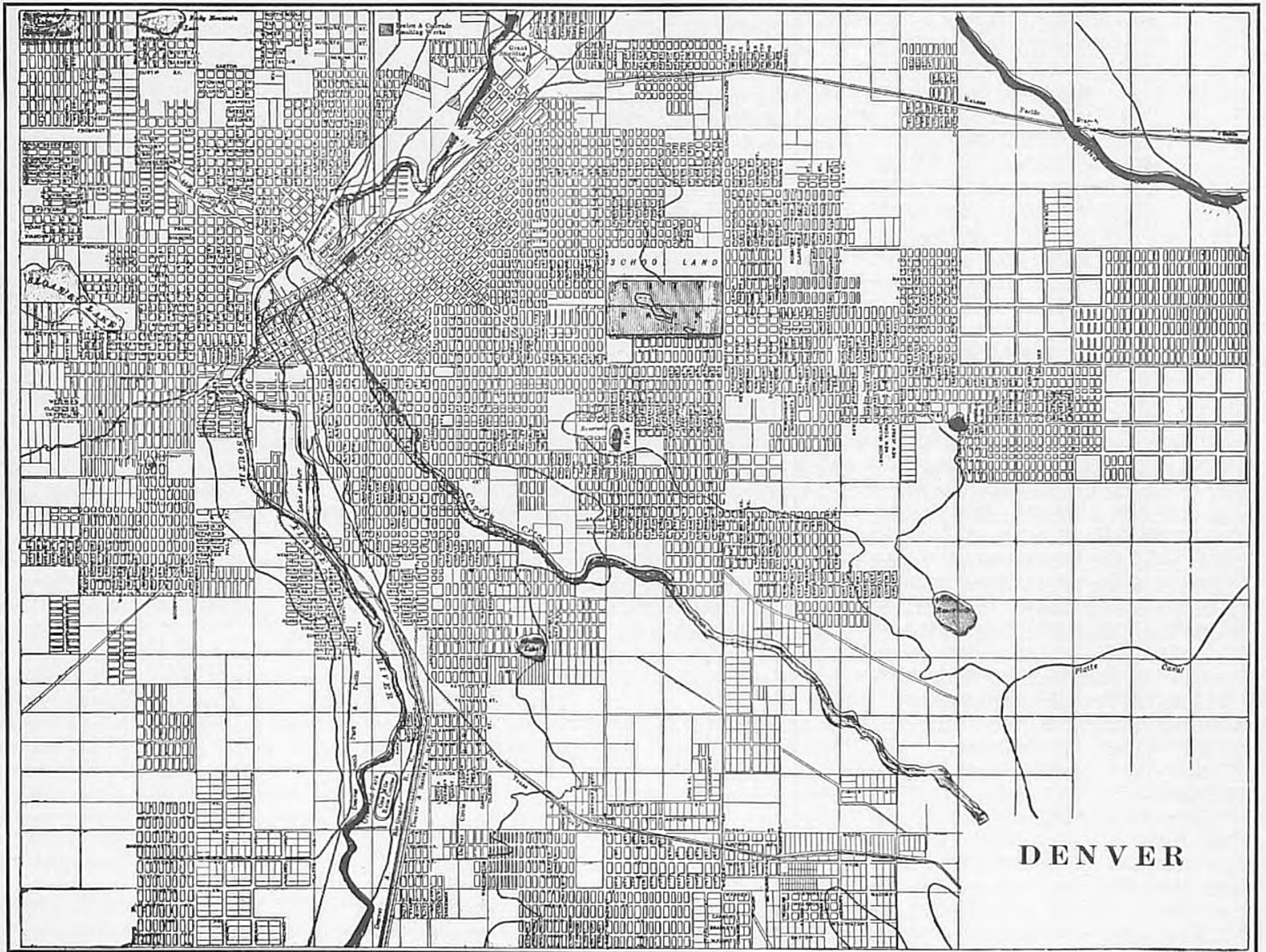
As the metropolitan area expanded westward toward Golden, an alphabetical order was given to the streets west of Wadsworth Boulevard. In November 1940, the Jefferson County Planning Board ordered a renaming of the streets along West Colfax Avenue. Following the suggestions of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Park, they selected new street names for two double alphabets—stretching for more than six miles—west of Zephyr Street, the "Z" street three blocks west of Wadsworth Boulevard.

After the Maloney System was installed in Jefferson County in 1906, another alphabet existed for a half mile west of Wadsworth Boulevard in Lakewood—Allison, Bayard, Calhoun, Dudley, Everett, Fessenden, Gallatin, and Henderson streets—where the roads were named for 19th-century politicians. This set of streets was displaced by the planners' action. Allison Street was dubbed Xerxes Street, the "X" road following the "W" of Wadsworth Boulevard. Next came Yarrow and Zephyr streets. In March 1944, Xerxes Street was renamed Yukon Street.

Allison Street, in turn, was chosen to begin the first double alphabet. This set of streets denotes governors of Colorado, pioneers of Jefferson County, and flora. Elias Ammons (1913-15) and his son, Teller (1937-39), Ralph Carr (1939-43), John Routt (1876-79, 1891-93), and John C. Vivian (1943-47), are governors remembered by Ammons, Carr, Routt, and Vivian streets. Cody Street is named for Buffalo Bill Cody who is buried on Lookout Mountain in Jefferson County. Tabor Street memorializes Colorado's famous silver king, United States Senator Horace Tabor. Lee Street is named for brothers Henry and William Lee, who helped found the Denver park system and whose farm was where Crown Hill Cemetery is today. Garrison Street remembers an early Golden family which published a local newspaper. Flora are celebrated by such roads as Balsam, Garland, Iris, Oak, and Zinnia streets.

Prior to the coming of the new alphabetical streets, Garrison Street was Smith Road, Simms Street was Daniels Road south of West 26th Avenue, and Yank Street was Easy Street. Residents were dismayed by relabeling the 10000 west block, Kipling Street, from Howell Avenue. That boulevard had been named in the early 1920s for Carson Howell, a veteran of the Sand Creek Massacre, who settled in Jefferson County in the 1860s and was still living on his homestead near West Colfax Avenue and Kipling Street when the street was named for him. Those who had sought to honor Howell by a street saw no need to rename the road for British author Rudyard Kipling. (The appellation shows that sometimes the road names honor literary figures.)





Denver about 1890.

Courtesy Monys Hagen

The Street Fabric of Denver

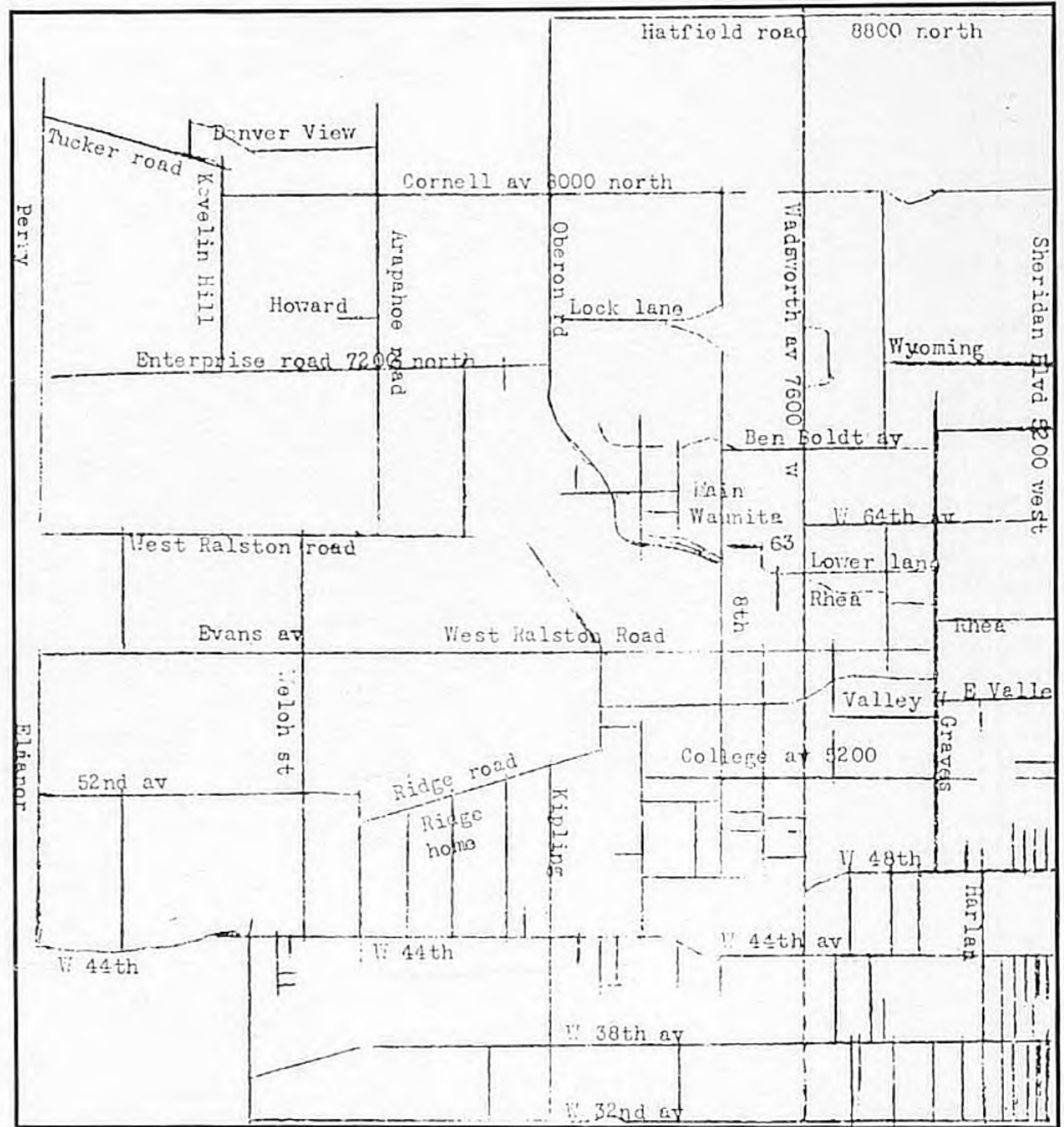
The planning board responded by noting it had designated the 14700 west block Howell Street, the second "H" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street. Other old street names were kept, but put in the appropriate part of the alphabet. The 8600 west block for instance, was declared to be Dover Street, which had previously been Jellison Street. A street by the latter name was given to be the 9800 west block, named for James S. Jellison, who had long served as a Jefferson County justice of the peace. Similarly, the 9600 west block, Independence Street, was originally Oak Street. A road by the latter name was declared to be the 10800 west block. Besides Independence Street, also present are such roads as Union, Yank, and Yankee streets, noting a patriotic theme in these alphabets.

West of Zinnia Street, the 13100 west block, the second double alphabet begins at Alkire Street, extending into Golden. Flora set theme for such streets as Beech, Fig, Gardenia, Juniper, Poppy, Violet, and Yucca. Some Golden and Jefferson County pioneers such as Adolph Coors, William Austin Loveland, and George West are also commemorated by these streets. Sometimes, the roads draw on classical literature such as at Virgil, Orion, and Ulysses streets. Minerals and elements are commemorated by Quartz, Xenon, and Zircon streets.

During the 1940s, the planning board continually tinkered with the street nomenclature at the behest of residents. While it insisted on keeping the alphabetical order of the streets, the commission freely modified road names. Graves Street, for example, became Garland Street; Boyd Street was designated as Brentwood Street; Fir Street was renamed Fig Street; and Indian Street was turned into Indiana Street. No records were kept explaining the logic of why the names were so changed.

Incorporated areas of Jefferson County soon embraced the alphabetical streets. Arvada, many of whose early residents are remembered by these streets, joined the system in 1949. When the alphabets were adopted, many of the roads did not cut through. In other places, especially the 11100 west block, there was no agreement as to whether to spell the road Pierson or Pearson Street. Similarly, Arvada designated the 17700 west block as Wilkerson Street rather than West Street, followed by Windy Street as opposed to Xebec Street.

The foothills arise near the end of the second double alphabet. Another double alphabet has been created west of



Jefferson County streets were incorporated into the Maloney System in the 1940s. Shown is a map of northern Jefferson County before the street name changes. Perry and Elleanor roads on the left are the equivalents of Indiana Street. Arapahoe Road is the current Simms Street. Main Street is West 66th Avenue.

Zircon Street at 18300 west, this one denoting mountain locations: Antero, Anvil, Blanca, Bross, Crestone, Culebra streets, etc. While the roads listed in this alphabet do not exist west of Dunraven Street, the street nomenclature accentuates the high country with places such as Quandary, Olympus, Matterhorn, and Never-summer streets. Another set of roads with a mountain theme is at the Ken Caryl Ranch. Present in this area south of West Ken Caryl Road and west of South Kipling Street are such paths as Sangre de Cristo Road, Gunsight Pass, Gold Dust Peak, Main Range Trail, Turtle Mountain, and Continental Divide Road. Holy Cross, Massive, Greys, Bierstadt, and Wetterhorn are the names of another set of roads with a mountain theme between Pecos and Zuni streets south of 100th Avenue.

#### East of Broadway

The story of the roads east of Broadway is equally colorful to those west of the zero axis. Part of the legislation authorizing the street name changes specified that downtown streets and Capitol Hill roads, i.e., those between Broadway and Colorado Boulevard, were to remain unchanged as much as possible. Capitol Hill was then Denver's elite section, where the names of the streets had undergone major modifications in 1893. The city's movers and shakers, who called Capitol Hill home, made it known that their road nomenclature was not to be tampered with again.

The keynote of Ordinance 14 of 1893 was that where a street had a different name north of Colfax Avenue than it did to the south, the road was assigned the label of the street running north of Capitol Hill's main dividing line. Hence, among other changes, Gorsline Street became Marion Street, Inslee Street became Lafayette Street, and Hunt Street was renamed Humboldt Street. Other than for this unity, the 40 blocks that cover the two and one half miles between Broadway and Colorado Boulevard have no set pattern.

What is today the 400 east block, Logan Street, was originally Kansas Avenue which followed Lincoln, Sherman, and Grant streets—the names of the roads on the original Capitol Hill. The street directly east of Brown's

Bluff was renamed Logan Street in 1887 when Senator John Logan pushed through the bill authorizing what became Fort Logan. (Logan County in northeastern Colorado also honors Senator Logan.)

Pennsylvania was the home state of John W. Smith, the developer of the land east of Brown's section, south of Colfax Avenue. He had passed through Kansas on his way to Colorado and named the road east of Kansas Avenue, Pennsylvania Street. Smith christened the next street in his division for his granddaughter, Pearl. Washington Street was initially Canal Street, noting that the City Ditch, dug by Smith, flowed near parts of Washington Street as this irrigation canal wended its way through Capitol Hill, eventually providing the water for the lakes in City Park. After the course of the City Ditch was modified away from Canal Street, the road was renamed in 1883 to honor the country's first president.

Clarkson Street recalls that Bauger and Matthew Clarkson were active in the 1870s in developing land north of 20th Avenue along what is today Clarkson Street. Emerson Street commemorates Ralph Waldo Emerson. South of Colfax Avenue it was known as Venice Street prior to being renamed in 1893. Three years previously, Hotchkiss Street—the 900 east block between Colfax Avenue and 20th Avenue—had become Emerson Street. Then, in 1896, Jay Street—Emerson Street between 20th and 26th avenues—was also renamed Emerson Street. Meanwhile, a block east of Emerson Street, at 14th Avenue and Ogden Street, Emerson School, also named in honor of the poet, had been built in 1884-85.

Ogden Street remembers Billy Ogden, the conductor of the first train into Denver. South of Colfax Avenue, Ogden Street had originally been known as Alta Street; *alta* is Spanish for high. One block east was another street of Spanish origins, Corona Street, *corona* being Spanish for crown. The roads were to celebrate that residents were at a high, crowning point of Denver.

Jacob Downing, an officer of the Third Colorado Volunteers in 1864 at the Sand Creek Massacre, was a major real estate developer in 19th-century Denver. For many years he lived in the old clubhouse of the

Gentlemen's Driving and Riding Club (since demolished) at the northwest corner of Fourth Avenue and Downing Street. Ironically, Downing Street originally only ran north of 26th Avenue where Downing had platted the land on November 5, 1868. The name of the road where Downing lived was initially Hallett Street.

The origins of some Capitol Hill streets are unclear or disputed. Josephine Street remembers Josephine Evans Elbert, the daughter of Territorial Governor John Evans and the wife of Territorial Governor Samuel Elbert. A few insist that Josephine "Josie" Marion is the eponym for Josephine Street, the same woman for whom Marion Street is apparently named.

Josie Marion was the daughter of a pioneer grocer, Joseph Marion, who came to Denver in 1866. Although he failed in the Queen City and eventually fled the town, his daughter emerged as an early Denver belle. She was feted by the Adolph Schinner family. It had filed a plat for the land east of Downing Street and north of 20th Avenue in June 1870. Downing Street was labeled Schinner Street in this development. The story goes that in addition to honoring Josie Marion with a street, the Schinners wanted to note their French-German heritage by naming a road for the Marquis de Lafayette. The next road, in turn, honored German scientist Alexander von Humboldt, followed by a street memorializing Benjamin Franklin. Marion Street, however, initially only ran between Colfax and 17th avenues, south of the Schinner section. The road between Downing and Lafayette streets on the Schinner property was Park Street.

An alternative explanation of the names of Humboldt and Franklin streets is that Alexander von Humboldt and Benjamin Franklin were great heroes of William Gilpin, Colorado's first territorial governor. He settled the land along 18th Avenue on Capitol Hill, naming one road for himself, Gilpin Street. The byway a block east, Williams Street, recalls pioneer merchant Andrew J. Williams. Chestnut Place, the 2000 block downtown, was initially named Williams Street after Andrew J. Williams. It was changed to its current designation in 1888. Parts of the current Williams Street were once known as Willemsen Street.

A horse track was located in Ford Park, east of Downing Street and north of 35th Avenue, in the 1860s and 1870s. Directly north of it, near 41st Avenue, were the so-called state fairgrounds. Another racetrack was located there. The road directly east of the two tracks, connecting them, was Race Street.

M. Simpson McCullough platted different sections of land between about Franklin and York streets, north of 17th Avenue, beginning in the early 1870s. A sometime resident of Philadelphia, McCullough sought to emulate that city where Race Street was bordered by High and Vine streets. (High Street was the original name of the road that became Market Street in the City of Brotherly Love.) McCullough, consequently, named the roads parallel to Race Street, High and Vine. He also borrowed Philadelphia street names for the next two roads, Green and York streets which honor Pennsylvania counties. Green Street in Philadelphia eventually came to be spelled Greene Street while Green Street in Denver was christened Gaylord Street on Capitol Hill in 1888.

Paul Gaylord was the son of Ed Gaylord, a pioneer gambler. Ed Gaylord lived on the 1500 block of Gaylord Street after his son had collaborated with others in developing the land west of York Street along Colfax Avenue into a residential area in the 1880s. "Happy Jesus Street" has been a popular slang term for Gaylord Street for a century.

William Newton Byers, pioneer editor of the *Rocky Mountain News*, named the 2500 east block, Columbine Street, for the state flower. Elizabeth Street honors his wife, Elizabeth Byers. Clayton Street recalls George W. Clayton, an early politician, businessman, and real estate developer, and his brother, William, who served as mayor of Denver in 1868-69.

Detroit, Milwaukee, and St. Paul streets are named after cities. South of Colfax Avenue, these roads had been part of a saints' row in St. James Heights. Prior to a renaming of these roads in 1893, sections of Detroit Street had been St. Charles Street; Fillmore Street, St. George Street; Milwaukee Street, St. James and then St. Ann Street; and St. Paul Street had been St. Francis Street.



Photo by Phil Goodstein

*Pillars mark the entrance to the Park Club Place neighborhood between First and Fourth Avenues from Downing to Humboldt streets. Such gateways include the names of the streets. The one shown is at the southeast corner of Fourth Avenue and Humboldt Street.*

Fillmore Street remembers President Millard Fillmore, though it has also been asserted that it honors Denver pioneer John S. Fillmore. Efforts were once made to impose a presidential theme on the streets east of St. Paul Street. Steele Street south of Colfax Avenue was Washington Street, followed by Adams, Jefferson (today Cook Street, noting that developer J. Cook Jr. played a key role in building up the city east of York Street and

north of City Park), Madison, Monroe (sometimes originally spelled Munroe), Garfield, Jackson, and Harrison streets—all named for the country's chief executives.

The Washington Street that is today Steele Street was renamed because another Washington Street already existed at the 700 east block. Steele Street between Colfax and 17th avenues had originally been Park Place, noting that it led to City Park. When it and Washington Street were renamed Steele Street in 1893, the new street could have honored Robert W. Steele, the governor of the Jefferson Territory, Dr. Henry K. Steele, a pioneer physician, or a different Robert W. Steele who platted some of the nearby land.

One further complication of the streets directly east of Broadway is found north of 20th Avenue where the diagonal and north-south/east-west grids intermix until Downing Street. In the late 1880s, the diagonal named streets north of 20th Avenue were relabeled so that they would have the same name as the roads of north-south streets as the roads turned from one grid to another. What is today Tremont Place from 20th Avenue and Grant Street to 24th and Washington streets, for instance, was considered a continuation of Grant Street since Grant Street turned northeast directly into Tremont Place at 20th Avenue. (Tremont Place north of 20th Avenue occasionally shows up on old maps as North Grant Avenue.) This was changed in 1904 when such diagonal streets were deemed to have the same name as their downtown counterparts even if they did not go directly through from the central business district. Another example of this pattern is how, after ending at 17th Street and Broadway, Court Place again runs for one block from 24th Street to 23rd Avenue at Washington Street.

### Mnemonic Devices

A popular mnemonic device for remembering some of the roads east of York Street is to ask, "Why did St. Paul steal [Steele] Adam's Cook? Because he was mad [Madison] at Monroe Garfield, Jack [Jackson] and Harris' [Harrison] son." Former Colorado State Senator Barbara Holme also devised a catchy phrase to memorize

the streets between York Street and Colorado Boulevard: "Columbus [Columbine] and Elizabeth cycled [Clayton] to Detroit. Filly and Milly [Fillmore and Milwaukee] said [St. Paul] sternly [Steele] and adamantly [Adams]: Cook Madison and Monroe in garlic [Garfield] juice [Jackson] till hot [Harrison]." Another suggested slogan to help remember these streets is: "Could [Columbine] Elizabeth convince [Clayton] daring [Detroit] philanderer [Fillmore] to marry [Milwaukee]? She [St. Paul] should [Steele] be advised [Adams] of certain [Cook] matrimonial [Madison] matters [Monroe] of getting [Garfield] justice [Jackson] from him [Harrison]."

A saying to remember the streets between Broadway and Josephine notes that: "Lincoln, Sherman, and Grant liked Pennsylvania people, while Clark Emerson only could despite many lamentable human frailties," for Lincoln, Sherman, Grant, Logan, Pennsylvania, Pearl, Washington, Clarkson, Emerson, Ogden, Corona, Downing, Marion, Lafayette, Humboldt, and Franklin streets. This is followed by the observation that "gardeners work hard raising very green young jalapeños" or "garage will host race of very good young jalopies" for Gilpin, Williams, High, Race, Vine, Gaylord, York, and Josephine streets.

A ditty for downtown streets begins at Cheyenne Place: "Cheyenne and Cleveland courts tried giving workers from California stout, championship culture. Alas, lacking love market, Blake will whine and weep daily." This notes the order of Cheyenne, Cleveland, Court, Tremont, and Glenarm places, followed by Welton, California, Stout, Champa, Curtis, Arapahoe, Lawrence, Larimer, Market, Blake, Wazee, Wynkoop, We-watta, and Delgany streets. Another sentence, "Choosing basic grips, workers produce certain bold effects," helps one remember Chestnut Place, Bassett Street, Grinnell Court, and Water, Platte, Central, Boulder, and Erie streets.

### The Double Alphabet East of Colorado Boulevard

The Maloney System once more comes into play in the streets east of Colorado Boulevard. Here Maloney's partner, Charles Stoll, installed a double alphabet. The

name of the first street in the series, Albion, Bellaire, Clermont, Dexter, etc., was a personal name or a geographic location, ideally of British origins. The next street, Ash, Birch, Cherry, Dahlia, and so forth, was a plant or a tree. This continued three miles east to Yosemite Street, the city line.

Varieties exist on this interpretation. For example, it has been asserted that Albion Street was named for Albion K. Vickery, not for an ancient title of England. Vickery is listed as county clerk at the time of the street name changes; he was later city engineer. Prior to the Maloney System, an Albion Avenue had been the designation of what is today Quince Street. The road one block east of Colorado Boulevard, in turn, had numerous different appellations, being known, among other things, as Denver, Erica, Root, Hawthorne, Ladbrooke, and Summit streets, Sopris Street or Place, Sewart and Arizona Street or Avenue, and Long Avenue.

Prior to the 1904 renaming of the streets, the roads east of Colorado Boulevard (which was briefly known as McKinley Avenue after the assassination of President William McKinley in 1901) and south of Colfax Avenue followed a state theme. Ash Street was New Mexico Avenue; Bellaire Street, Montana Avenue; Dahlia Street, Wisconsin Avenue; and Fairfax Street, Tennessee Avenue. Frequently, these streets had different names as well. Cherry Street was known in some places as Delaware Avenue and in others as Delaware Street, Nevada Street, Davel Street, Ella Street, and Geiling Street or Avenue. Dexter Street was Illinois Avenue or Street and Angelica Street. The roads from Forest to Holly streets once denoted the Great Lakes with Forest Street being Superior Avenue; Glencoe Street, Michigan Avenue; Grape Street, Huron Avenue; Hudson Street, Erie Avenue; and Holly Street, Ontario Avenue. Further to confuse things, Ivanhoe Street was Maine Avenue, the same moniker as Birch Street. Similarly, both Clermont and Jersey streets were named Vermont Avenue.

Eudora Street reflects the tensions over the renaming of the streets east of Colorado Boulevard in the Park Hill neighborhood. A favored name in that area north of Colfax Avenue and east of City Park was Eudora, the

middle name of Caroline Eudora Downing, the wife of Jacob Downing. She owned a good deal of land in this part of the city. Eudora Avenue originally ran north from Colfax Avenue as the 5200 east block on what is today Forest Street. Stoll renamed the road Fir Street. When the Maloney System was imposed and Eudora Avenue became Fir Street, residents insisted on keeping a Eudora street. Consequently, the first "E" road of the double alphabet became Eudora Street. (Besides being a woman's name, there are towns of Eudora in Arkansas and Kansas. Eudora derives from the Greek for "good gift.")

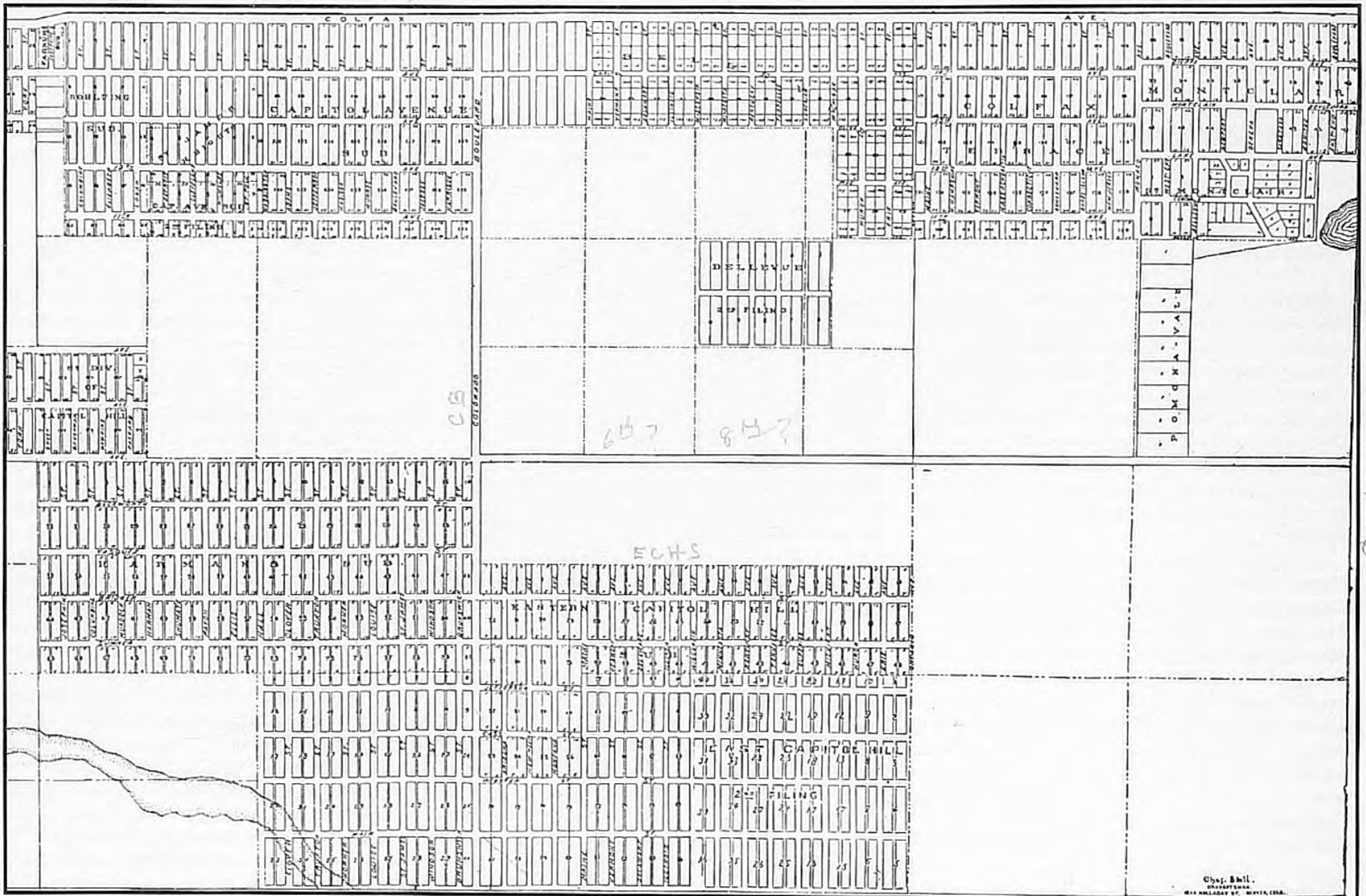
All the while, renaming Eudora Avenue Fir Street to fit into the alphabetical scheme created problems. Locals were none too happy about the new name of the road. They claimed that Fir Street was far too plebeian a name for their special part of town. Besides, and the post office agreed, Fir St. abbreviated could easily be confused with First. To note the plethora of trees in the area, Fir Street was renamed Forest Street in 1910.

Names of other streets east of Colorado Boulevard besides Albion and Eudora were retained, but moved to the appropriate part of the alphabet. Until 1904 a Spruce Street ran along what is currently Olive Street (today's Spruce Street was then known as Melrose Avenue). Roslyn Avenue (frequently spelled Rosslyn Avenue) became Syracuse Street under the Maloney System, while Glencoe Avenue became today's Roslyn Street; the contemporary Glencoe Street, in turn, was known in different places as Michigan Street or Avenue, Third Street, and Gilbert, Culbert, and Moffat avenues.

Newport Street follows Niagara Street. Newport Avenue was the original name for this road three blocks east of Monaco Street, named for the resort of Newport, Rhode Island. Keeping with the alphabetical theme that the second road in the alphabet should denote flora, Stoll christened Newport Street, Nepita Street, after the nepeta, a variety of mint. Residential protests reversed this action in 1906 when the name of the 6800 east block was changed to Newport Street.

Walter von Richthofen initially shaped the street names east of Monaco Street. The uncle of Snoopy's nemesis, the Red Baron of World War I, Richthofen and

The Street Fabric of Denver



Shown is Denver east of York Street and south of Colfax Avenue in 1887. Quebec Street is the eastern border; Alameda Avenue is the southernmost road. Charles Stoll, who collaborated with Howard C. Maloney in renaming the streets in 1897-1904, drew this map which was used by local real estate dealers.

others obtained the land between Monaco and Quebec streets from Colfax Avenue to Sixth Avenue in the 1880s for an area that would provide its residents with a clear view of the mountains, Montclair. Richthofen built his German-style castle at 12th Avenue and Pontiac Street. Half a block south is Richthofen Place. In addition to Montclair, Richthofen speculated in real estate in other parts of the Mile High City. East of Monaco Street, 44th Avenue was once Von Richthofen Street.

Richthofen sought to emphasize the resort-like character of Montclair through its street nomenclature. Besides Newport and Monaco, the neighborhood included Geneva, Saratoga, and Manitou avenues (Oneida, Olive, and Pontiac streets)—named for tourist spots.

Roads east of Quebec Street often had a British theme. Not only was Quince Street, Albion Avenue, and Roslyn Street, Glencoe Avenue, but Tamarac Street was Oxford Avenue; Trenton Street, Victoria Avenue; and Ulster Street, Cambridge Avenue. Near Colfax Avenue, between Uinta and Yosemite streets, the roads specified Colorado cities. Uinta Street was Pueblo Avenue; Valentia Street, Greeley Avenue; Verbena Street, Boulder Avenue; Wabash Street, Gunnison Avenue; Willow Street, Montrose Avenue; Xenia Street, Alamosa Avenue; Xanthia Street, Silverton Avenue; and Yosemite Street was Salida Avenue.

### The Streets of Aurora

A new double alphabet begins east of Yosemite Street in Aurora. That town had originally named many of its roads after cities. This was especially the case north of Colfax Avenue in the New England Heights area. The road monikers reflected the real estate subdivision's title. Not only was the current Boston Street known by that name, but Chester Street was Waltham Street, Clinton Street was Salem Street, Dallas Street was Lynn Street, and Elmira Street was Lowell Street.

City names, consequently, were the defining characteristic of the double alphabet that Maloney and Stoll designed for Aurora: Akron, Alton, Beeler, Boston, Chester streets, and so forth. While Boston Street was left in tact, the roads frequently denoted small midwest-

ern cities such as Emporia, Kansas; Joliet, Illinois; Lansing, Michigan; and Dayton, Ohio. Three of the roads—Havana, Jamaica, and Kingston streets—reflect a Caribbean influence. Florence, Geneva, and Hanover streets are named for famous European cities.

This alphabet initially extended two miles east of Yosemite Street to Peoria Street. As Aurora started to grow east of Peoria Street in the 1950s, the double alphabet was extended to Zion Street, near the eastern boundary of Fitzsimons. In 1962, two new double alphabets were installed further to the east to provide enough streets "for the next 20 years," according to a joint Adams-Arapahoe county planning endeavor. These roads ran from Abilene Street, the 13800 east block, to the 21700 east block, Picadilly Road. "Boulevard" and "Road" were to designate arterials, section lines, and county roads.

The double alphabet beginning with Abilene Street focuses on Colorado places. Numerous Centennial State communities such as Dillon, Eagle, Fraser, Granby, Kittredge, Nucla, Ouray, Pitkin, Rifle, Sedalia, Telluride, and Uravan are honored by the roads. Billings, Montana; Hannibal, Missouri; Laredo, Texas; and Truckee, California, are other western burghs which provide names for streets in this alphabet.

A keynote of Aurora streets is that the alphabets are regularly interrupted by arterials which do not follow the logic of the rest of the street system. Potomac Street, Sable Boulevard, Chambers Road, Buckley Road, Tower Road, and Gun Club Road are usually spaced either half a mile or a mile apart. These are old county roads which predate the spread of Aurora. Sable, Colorado, was a small town east of Aurora by the Union Pacific Railroad tracks. A merchant having his country store a half mile east of Sable Boulevard on Colfax Avenue was Roy Chambers, the namesake of Chambers Road. Buckley Road reflects how it was the street which ran to Buckley Field, a military base established during World War II which was deliberately built far away from residential development. (Buckley Field was named after John Henry Buckley, a Longmont flier killed on a mission over France during World War I.)

Now and then, the same street has two different names in some of the alphabets east of Peoria Street. At Colfax Avenue, Potomac Street is the 13700 east block. Potomac Street originally only ran south of Sixth Avenue. With the coming of I-225, Potomac Street emerged as something of the service road for the interstate, running west of I-225 through central Aurora. This created confusion with the adjacent alphabetical set of streets. In some places, Potomac Street is directly east of Xanadu Street, followed by Abilene, Atchison, and Billings streets. In other places, Xapary Street is the road after Xanadu Street, followed by Yost, Yuba, and Zion streets. In both areas, Blackhawk Street, at 14100 east, resumes the alphabetical pattern.

The streets east of Peoria Street are most confusing in the Montbello section of Denver north of I-70. This area was platted in 1965 as the ultimate planned community, houses being located right under the flight paths of Stapleton Airport. Numerous short roads, twisting lanes, and half blocks abound amidst the alphabetical pattern of the streets. Chandler Court, Olmstead Drive, Eugene Way, Utopia Court, and Fontana Way are usually located next to full streets beginning with the same letter of the alphabet. Designed to be home for former members of the Air Force, some of Montbello's arterials, such as Andrews Drive, Bolling Drive, and Maxwell Place, were named for famous Air Force fields.

Zeno Street is the last road in the double alphabet beginning with Abilene Street. One block east of it is Tower Road, the 18500 east block. In the 1930s, KOA radio built its broadcast tower at the southeast corner of Colfax Avenue and this section line. Another double alphabet begins east of Tower Road: Andes, Argonne, Bahama, Biscay streets, etc. To note that the area east of Tower Road was on the fringes of civilization, the street nomenclature advertised the glamor and adventure of travel and faraway places. Hence the roads usually denote locations outside of the United States.

Gun Club Road, the 23300 east block, is three miles east of Tower Road. It follows Zante Street, designated as the only "Z" street in and the end of the double alphabet east of Tower Road. Gun Club Road, which

was once located adjacent to a shooting range, is another dividing point. East of it yet another double alphabet has been installed: Addish, Algonquin, Biloxi, Buchanan, Catawba streets, etc. Often people as well as places are denoted in this stretch on the far eastern edge of Aurora. Many of these roads are more planning specifications than actual streets running in developed areas on the grid pattern. Sometimes official road designations and real street names clash. The 23900 east block, for example, which is listed as being Coolidge Street, shows up as Coolidge Street in developments. The 21800 east street is variously called Quatar, Quater, or Quarter Street.

Confusion over the names of the streets east of Picadilly Road was accentuated by the building of Denver International Airport. Already in the 1970s, Frank King of the Denver city engineer's office had drawn up a list of street names in double alphabets, with 16 blocks to the mile, as far east as Quail Run Mile Road, the 36100 east block. Naming specifications for the alphabets of these roads clash with the existing streets of Watkins, Colorado. The city insisted that the road nomenclature of the airport follow the King list.

Among the names in the middle of the airport is the designation of the 29300 east block, Flat Brook Street. It appears on the 1994 city engineer's map of DIA as Flat Broke Street. Such colorfully named roads as Nest Egg, Drasco, Gentry, Jessiebell, Vindicator, and Electra streets are specified for these alphabets.

### South of Ellsworth Avenue

By the time Maloney completed work on the north-south streets, apparently his energy was ebbing. He did not attempt nearly as thorough a revision of the names of the east-west avenues south of Ellsworth Avenue as he did in other parts the city. Rather, Maloney left in place the legacy of William Newton Byers and the street nomenclature of the Town of South Denver.

Early businessmen who homesteaded the land west of Broadway and south of First Avenue are remembered by street names. Lewis C. Ellsworth was an early promoter who led the Chicago-based consortium responsible for the Queen City's first transit firm, the Denver Horse



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*William Newton and Elizabeth Minerva Byers are both remembered by streets. The founding editor of the Rocky Mountain News, William Byers helped name the roads south of Ellsworth Avenue, including Byers Place. Elizabeth Street, the 2600 east block, is named in honor of his wife. Shown is the couple shortly after they were wed in Muscatine, Iowa, in 1854.*

Railway Company. Directly south of Ellsworth Avenue are Archer Place, Bayaud Avenue, Maple Avenue, Cedar Avenue, and Byers Place. James Archer, a key figure in constructing the Kansas Pacific Railroad, was a founder of the city's inaugural gas works and water company. Thomas C. Bayaud was an early bridge builder and contractor who speculated in the liquor trade.

Rocky Mountain News editor Byers not only helped assign the streets these names, but he is also remembered by Byers Place, where his farmhouse was located at South Bannock Street. He further named two streets in his subdivision after favored trees, Maple and Cedar.

Into the 1990s a beautiful row of maple trees lined Maple Avenue directly west of Broadway. The name of Alameda Avenue derives from the Spanish word for an avenue lined with trees. Inspired by the Alameda region of California, Byers selected this sobriquet for the main street of his development.

Irvington Place, a half block between Ellsworth and First avenues, was named for the Irving Investment Company, a real estate development firm. Until 1895 the road was called Commercial Place, one block north of Agricultural Place (the name of Archer Place until 1884). In other areas prior to 1904, Irvington Place was named Wilie Avenue, Wylie Avenue, Allyn Street, Linden Avenue, or Unter den Linden. The last was a proposal by Walter von Richthofen to lay out a street west of Lipan Street that emulated Berlin's famous boulevard.

Alameda Avenue, the road two miles south of Colfax Avenue, marked the city limit. To the south was the independent Town of South Denver, which was annexed to the Mile High City in 1894. Many of the town's east-west avenues were named after American states and territories, though without any clear pattern.

Dakota, Virginia, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Arizona, Louisiana, Arkansas, Florida, Iowa, Mexico, and Colorado avenues are the names of the state streets as they go about two miles south from Alameda Avenue. Nevada, Alaska, Nebraska, Utah, Alabama, Montana, Idaho, and Oregon places are among the half blocks scattered through parts of South Denver where the state streets run.

The section of Lakewood near South Kipling Street between West Mississippi and West Jewell avenues contains a wide array of short streets named for the states. Present are Connecticut Drive, Texas Avenue, Carolina Drive, New Mexico Avenue, Hawaii Place, and Maryland Drive. Except for Georgia, Illinois, Maine, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, and Vermont, all of the states of the union are honored by streets, avenues, places, courts, drives, or lanes in some part of the metropolitan area. More often than not, obscure roads named after states are located between Alameda and Jewell avenues.



Some of the state street names were modified after the initial plat of South Denver. What is today Arizona Avenue was once Alabama Avenue, being Mecia Street west of Broadway. The Maloney System specified that when a street had a different name west of Broadway than it did east of Broadway, the road took the name of the street east of Broadway. Consequently, Boulder Street became West Exposition Avenue, and Gray Street became West Louisiana Avenue. Only streets east of Broadway were defined as dividing full blocks; that is, roads such as Irvington Place, Maple Avenue, Byers Place, and Alaska Place were numbered as only half blocks since they end at or just east of Broadway.

A couple of key exceptions to the South Denver state street names are Center and Exposition avenues. The two roads immediately south of Virginia Avenue were originally Indiana and Illinois avenues. When the National Mining and Industrial Exposition was located on the 40 acres from South Broadway to South Logan Street between Virginia and Illinois avenues in 1882, the last-named street became Exposition Avenue to mark the Exposition's presence in South Denver. Indiana Avenue, in turn, was renamed Center Avenue to note that it was at the center of the Exposition.

Two miles south of Alameda Avenue, at the end of the state avenues, is Jewell Avenue, named for former Connecticut Governor Charles A. Jewell. He invested heavily in the Denver Circle Railroad, which ran along South Logan Street from Bayaud Avenue to Jewell Avenue in the 1880s. Jewell also led the consortium that established Jewell Park, today's Overland Park. The road connecting Jewell Park with the railroad was logically called Jewell Avenue. South of this street, the University of Denver (DU) influenced the street names.

#### University of Denver Streets

What is today University Boulevard was once East Broadway. Only after the cornerstone was laid for University Hall at the University of Denver in 1890 did parts of East Broadway become University Avenue (renamed University Boulevard in 1917) to note the school's presence in South Denver. Three avenues

running near the college reflect the institution's origins as a Methodist school: Wesley Avenue is named for John Wesley, the founder of Methodism; Asbury Avenue recalls Francis Asbury, the first Methodist bishop in North America; and Henry White Warren, the first Methodist bishop of Colorado, is the eponym of Warren Avenue.

Warren's wife, Elizabeth Iliff Warren, was the widow of cattle king John Wesley Iliff. She helped the University of Denver locate in South Denver and donated funds for the establishment of the Iliff School of Theology on the campus. The road bordering the original southern end of the campus consequently became Iliff Avenue. Two blocks north, on the other side of the original campus, is Evans Avenue, named for John Evans, the central figure in organizing the University of Denver. A further monument to DU's presence are the names of the streets south of the campus—Harvard, Vassar, and Yale avenues—showing that the University of Denver was to combine the best of these schools in the Mile High City.

The University of Denver was not the only college in the area. Other institutions of higher learning also sought to emphasize their reputations by the names of adjacent streets. College Avenue—West 50th Avenue—for example, ran along the southern border of Regis University, until its name was changed as part of the Maloney System. In 1991, West 50th Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards was renamed Regis Boulevard. King Street near Regis was Loyola Street, named after Ignatius Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits—the religious order that operates the school.

The northwestern suburban of Westminster was named for Westminster University, a Presbyterian-sponsored school that was first planned in the 1890s near West 83rd Avenue and Lowell Boulevard. Lowell Boulevard there was College Avenue. Irving Street, on the eastern edge of the campus, was University Avenue. Cornell, Harvard, Yale, and Princeton avenues were the names of some of the east-west roads near the campus. Sections of West 80th Avenue were known as Cornell Avenue well into the 1940s. Westminster also recalls its history as a college town through the names of some of its north-

south streets. Hunter Way and Princeton, Rutgers, and Seton streets are roads whose monikers recall institutions of higher learning.

No mnemonic phrases exist for the roads between Ellsworth and Yale avenues. A suggestion is: "Ellsworth, the archer, bought maple and cedar bark" for Ellsworth Avenue, Archer Place, Bayaud Avenue, Maple Avenue, Cedar Avenue, and Byers Place. This is followed by the observation: "Alameda never deceived alluring virgin at central exposition, or kissed true Miss Arizona," for Alameda Avenue, Nevada Place, Dakota Avenue, Alaska Place, and Virginia, Center, Exposition, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, and Arizona avenues. "Lousy Arkansas fiddler invited Mexicans and Coloradans, jewels all, east and west, into wet, hot, vibrant yacht," covers Louisiana, Arkansas, Florida, Iowa, Mexico, Colorado, Jewell, Asbury, Evans, Warren, Iliff, Wesley, Harvard, Vassar, and Yale avenues.

#### South of Yale Avenue

Yale Avenue, the street one mile south of Jewell Avenue and long the southern boundary of Denver, was another dividing point in the Maloney System. Originally, the roads directly south of Yale Avenue also had college names near the DU campus. Amherst Avenue was Princeton Avenue; Bates Avenue was Cornell Avenue; today's Cornell Avenue was Johns Hopkins Avenue; and Dartmouth Avenue was Cambridge Avenue. Maloney modified this by installing a new alphabet south of Yale Avenue where the roads are usually named for institutions of higher learning.

As the city expanded southward, efforts were made to continue some form of the Maloney System. The streets continue in an college alphabet for two and a half miles south of Yale Avenue, where such institutions of higher learning as Kenyon, Lehigh, Oxford, Princeton, and Stanford are memorialized by roads. South of Union Avenue, the 4700 south block, were once two more alphabetical streets, Washburn Avenue (previously named Vanderbilt Avenue) and Zenda Avenue. They disappeared in favor of names of streets from the west, Layton and Chenango avenues. For some distance south

of Union Avenue there is no alphabetical pattern to the streets. Only at Arapahoe Road, the 6700 south block, which is the street ten miles south of Colfax Avenue, does another alphabet begin, continuing to County Line Road, the 8300 south block and the dividing point between Arapahoe and Douglas counties. Many streets in this alphabet denote Colorado counties such as Costilla, Fremont, Hinsdale, Mineral, Otero, and Phillips avenues.

In recent years, Douglas County has pondered joining the Denver metro grid. South of County Line Road the alphabet that starts at Arapahoe Road picks up at Remington Avenue at 8400 south. San Juan, Teton, Ute, Vandeventer, Weld, Xapapa, Yancey, and Zebulon avenues follow until a new alphabet, based on mostly European locations, begins with Athens Avenue at 9300 south. At least that is how the streets go on paper. Where residential sections have been built in northern Douglas County, notably in Highlands Ranch, a curvilinear street system has been employed that pays no attention to the alphabetical streets of the grid pattern. Present, rather, are streets such as Dad Clark Drive, Northridge Road, Shadow Mountain Drive, and Prairie Ridge Road. Similarly, the Acres Green section of northern Douglas County includes streets named for figures and places from classical mythology such as Apollo Court, Olympus Drive, Jupiter Drive, Delphi Drive, and Pluto Court.

The streets south of Belleview Avenue are usually different in the southwestern metropolitan area from those east of the Platte River. Orchard Road, one mile south of Belleview Avenue, is the 5900 south block east of Broadway; it does not cut through west of that dividing line. When an arterial picks up again on the 5900 south block west of South Santa Fe Drive, it is Bowles Avenue. Similarly, Arapahoe Road, two miles south of Belleview, ends as an arterial at Broadway. The 6700 south road west of South Platte Canyon Drive (an old rural road which is part of State Highway 75) is Coal Mine Road. That street's moniker recalls that numerous coal mines were once in the area. Between the roads west of the river and east of South Broadway, a third set of street names exist in Littleton.

### Littleton Streets

Belleview Avenue, the road six miles south of Alameda Avenue, is approximately the northern border of Littleton, the Arapahoe County seat. Once a totally separate community from Denver, Littleton kept much of its street nomenclature as the metropolitan area grew around it. This is visible in such avenues as Shepperd, Crestline, Alamo, and Parkhill. Littleton Boulevard is the 5700 south block from South Clarkson Street to the railroad tracks where it becomes Main Street, the historic central east-west road of Littleton. Littleton Boulevard was once known as Littleton Broadway—the road connecting Littleton with South Broadway. The intersection of the two streets was called “The Two Broadways.” Such a location and street names dominated Littleton into the 1950s.

Town founder Richard Sullivan Little sought to honor friends and colleagues in naming the village's roads. Charles Rapp, an associate of Little, was the namesake of Rapp Street, 2700 west. Lilley Avenue, the 5750 south block sporadically between Hickory and Spotswood streets, and Bowles Avenue, the 5900 south block west of South Santa Fe Drive, honor pioneers John G. Lilley and Joseph W. Bowles. Prince Street, the 2400 west block, was named for Little's favorite horse. Church Avenue, the 5900 south block east of South Santa Fe Drive, was the location of the community's first house of worship. Little also named many roads after trees such as Hickory, Datura, Sycamore, and Cedar streets.

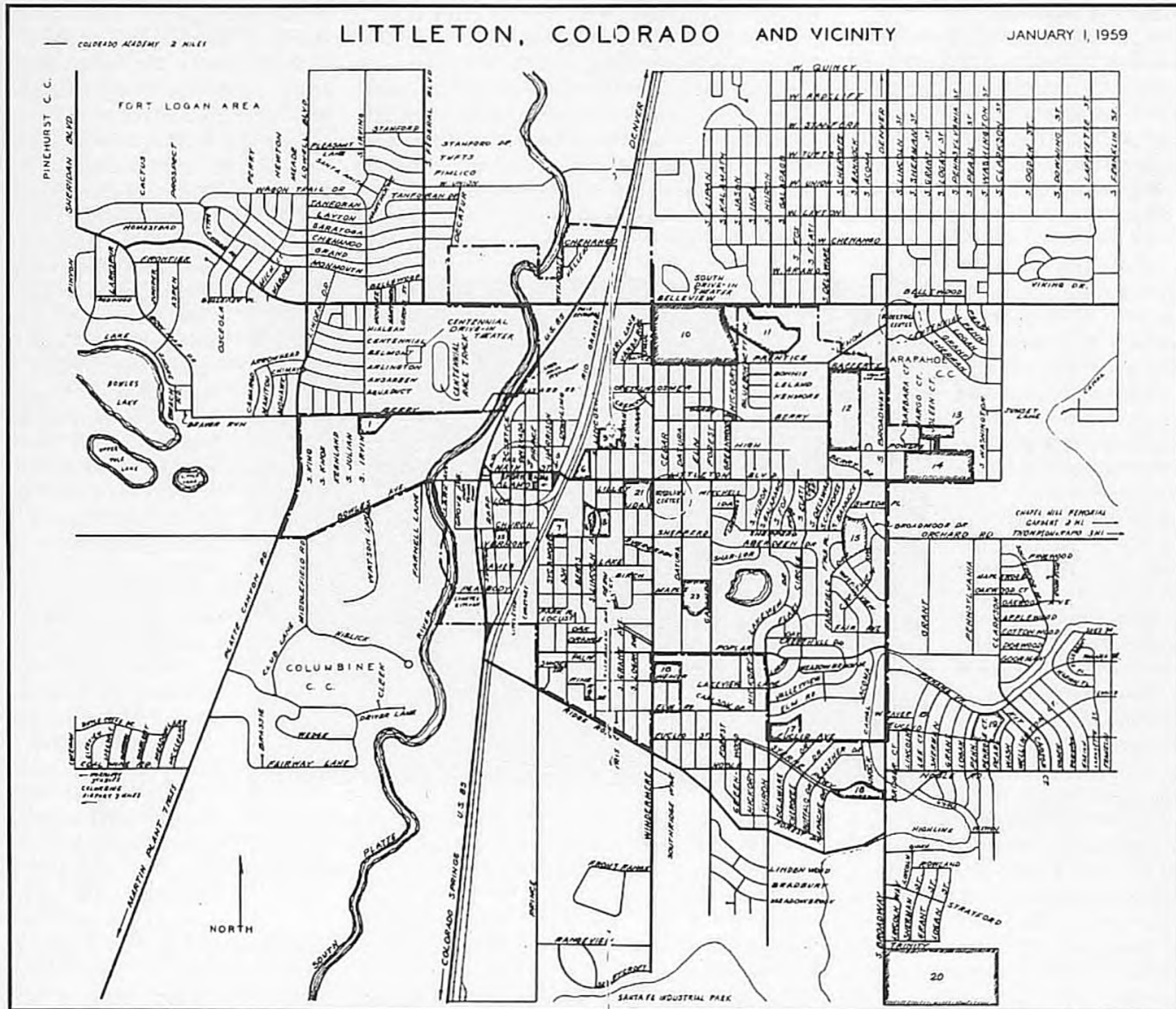
Littleton developed its own numbering system based on Main and Prince streets as the zero axes. In addition to having Lincoln, Sherman, Grant, and Logan streets east of Broadway, the town also had Lincoln, Sherman, Grant, and Logan avenues running north and south west of Broadway. The result was confusion. In December 1960, over a good deal of local opposition, Littleton joined the Denver street numbering system and renamed many of its streets, effective 1961. Littleton did not totally embrace the Maloney System. For instance, rather than renaming Logan Avenue, the 1700 west block, Quivas Street, in tune with the Maloney System, it became South Louthan Street after a former mayor,

Charles G. Louthan. Maple Avenue became Maplewood Avenue, and Elm Street became South Elmwood Street. Amidst such north-south roads as South Greenwood, South Lakeview, and South Gallup streets are South Delaware Street, South Huron Street, South Federal Boulevard, and other roads which reflect the general street grid.

Just as Court Place in downtown Denver originally noted that it was the road in front of the Arapahoe County Courthouse, so too Littleton has a Court Place, the 2150 west block, the path by the current Arapahoe County Court complex. Littleton streets likewise recall how once the area's horse track, the Centennial Turf Club, was located near West Belleview Avenue and South Santa Fe Drive. Nearby streets are named after famous racetracks, e.g., Pimlico, Hialeah, Belmont, Arlington, and Aqueduct avenues. Amidst them, at 5200 south, is Centennial Avenue.

One very colorfully named Littleton street is Jackass Hill Road, which runs from near the end of South Prince Street, at about 7500 south, to West Mineral Avenue. The story goes that, with the onset of World War I in 1917, a local entrepreneur sought to corner the mule market, hoping to profit by selling the animals to the army. He pastured his flock on the hill above the South Platte River to the south of Littleton. Before he could unload the animals on the military, the war had come to an end and the would-be monopolist turned out to be the jackass of the whole deal. Only in 1985 was the street running over the hill officially designated Jackass Hill Road.

West of the Platte River in Jefferson County, half blocks are part of a short double alphabet starting with “O” south of Coal Mine Road—Ontario, Ottawa, Plymouth, Portland, Quarles, Quarto, Rowland, and Roxbury avenues. Nearby are streets which note landmarks. Ken Caryl Road is the path to the Ken Caryl Ranch, named by the owner of the *Rocky Mountain News* in the 1910s and 1920s, John Shaffer, who christened the ranch for his two sons, Ken and Caryl. Chatfield Avenue denotes the presence of Chatfield Dam, named for Isaac Chatfield, an early settler in the region.



Littleton Historical Museum

Littleton once had its own street naming and numbering system. It only joined the Maloney Grid in December 1960. Shown is a map of the city in the late 1950s, before it renamed many of its roads to integrate them into the greater metropolitan area.

### The Twists and Turns of Broadway

Although it is the east-west axis of the city, Broadway often disappears north of downtown. This reflects the road's uneven origins. Henry C. Brown laid out Broadway south from 20th Avenue, near where 19th Street intersects with Welton Street. North of 20th Avenue, the diagonal grid supplanted Broadway. Meanwhile, in the course of the late 19th century, the area directly north of 20th Avenue and Broadway emerged as one of Denver's first slums.

At least that is what speculators believed by the early 20th century. Setting an urban renewal precedent, they hoped to rid the city of the shanties in this section of old East Denver by a road project. They called for Broadway to be extended northward from 20th Avenue to 25th Street where a viaduct was to be erected to link Broadway with Brighton Boulevard and the stockyards.

Authorized in 1909, this project was completed, after much controversy and many delays, in late 1921. The result was to create numerous small traffic triangles along Broadway. By the 1960s, some community activists complained that these awkward corners were eyesores in need of improvement. Among those in the lead of this drive was the I-25 Artists' Alliance, a group of local artists seeking public funds to decorate the city with monumental works of art. In collaboration with the Park People (an organization dedicated to the beauty of the city and its parks) and a downtown banker, it pushed the Art in the City program. The goal was to embellish traffic islands along Broadway, West Colfax Avenue, and Speer Boulevard with abstract sculptures. Raising \$225,000, the Art in the City program oversaw the installation of about a dozen works of art on these islands. Specifications required the sculptures allow for plenty of clearance for traffic, be vandal-proof, and need

minimal maintenance. Some, such as Leroy Butler's *Undulating Pool* at Broadway, Welton Street, and 20th Avenue, were soon forgotten and eventually destroyed.

Meanwhile, given that Broadway had originally ended at 20th Avenue, it never became a dominating arterial in the northern suburbs. Prior to the coming of the Valley Highway, the main roads going north from Denver were Washington Street and Federal Boulevard. Even as the northern suburbs have grown, there is often no such street as Broadway for miles at a stretch. Especially



*This early 20th-century photo shows Welton Street, headed southwest from the corner of 20th Avenue and Broadway. This is where Broadway originally began. Broadway was cut through further to the north in the early 1910s. The old Crest Hotel (demolished) is the building at the far left.*

north of 88th Avenue, I-25 follows what would have been the path of Broadway.

The story of Broadway south of Capitol Hill is also unusual. Originally the road ended at Cherry Creek. This greatly upset Tom Skerritt, who also bemoaned that

the only roadway into Denver from the south in the 1860s was the old Santa Fe Trail, parallel to the Platte River.

Born in County Leix, Ireland, Skerritt was allured by gold during the Pikes Peak gold rush in 1859. Five years later, he homesteaded land along Hampden Avenue west of Broadway. Building his home at 3560 South Bannock Street, Skerritt raised produce for the Denver market. His main problem was trucking it to the Queen City.

When Skerritt found the Santa Fe Trail rutted, inconvenient, and out of the way, he resolved to build his own road. Since what is today Broadway was a quarter-section line, Skerritt decided to cut a new road from the eastern border of his farm to Cherry Creek. After receiving support from his fellow farmers and authorization from the Arapahoe County Commissioners to install a 100-foot-wide South Broadway, in 1871 Skerritt got out his plow and headed toward Cherry Creek. First he cut a furrow on each side of the roadway. Next, he locked the rear wheels of his farm wagon, placed some heavy logs behind the vehicle, and again set out for Cherry Creek. Three times he went back and forth between his Shady Side farm and the stream, creating South Broadway.

Skerritt's method was not the most precise manner to lay out a street. The result was that South Broadway was not exactly straight. Throughout the 19th century, complaints were common that South Broadway looked more like a meandering cow path than a distinguished main street since lots projected anywhere from two to 20 feet into the right-of-way. Only in 1901-02 was a major effort undertaken to straighten the street. Even at that, some breaks, especially near Broadway and Ohio Avenue, have remained in place, a fact that long gave surveyors and highway engineers headaches. South of the city line at Yale Avenue, motorists still confront the necessity of following the none-too-straight lanes of the boulevard.

### Other Street Names

Here and there scattered through the Maloney System are roads that either do not fit into the general street pattern or which reflect special developments in the history of Denver. The spine of the Park Hill neighborhood, for example, is Montview Boulevard, the equivalent of 20th Avenue, a name that predates the 1904 renaming of the streets. The road, sometimes initially spelled Mountview or Mount View, was to advertise the beautiful view of the mountains for those living in this area directly east of City Park.

Thirty-second Avenue was designated Martin Luther King Boulevard in 1980 from Downing Street to Stapleton Airport. Nearby, 34th Avenue between Downing and Dahlia streets is Bruce Randolph Avenue, honoring restaurateur "Daddy" Bruce Randolph. He gained fame in the 1970s and 1980s for his free Thanksgiving meals for the city's less fortunate citizens. In a wave of euphoria, this stretch of 34th Avenue, upon which Daddy Bruce operated his restaurant at Gilpin Street, was permanently renamed Bruce Randolph Avenue for Thanksgiving 1985. His barbecue pit closed in 1993 and he died at age 94 in 1994.

Richard Allen Court is the 3800 east block between 29th and 32nd avenues, the equivalent of Jackson Street. Much of the property directly east of Richard Allen Court is owned by the Shorter A.M.E. Church, one of the city's oldest and largest black congregations. In 1980, the adjacent street was renamed to honor the ex-slave who founded the African Methodist Episcopal Church. (In the 1880s, a section of Jackson Street between 32nd and 35th avenues had been known as Episcopal Street. The road one block east, Harrison Street, was Church Street.) St. Francis Way consists of short stretches of 11th and Champa streets on the Auraria Higher Education Center near St. Elizabeth's Church and the St. Francis Interfaith Center.

The Auraria campus was created in the 1970s on the site of what had been the first permanent white settlement in the Denver area. While many of the roads have been vastly modified by this complex, which is home to Metropolitan State College of Denver, the University of

Colorado at Denver, and the Community College of Denver, the basic road grid and street names remain in place. Other governmental bases—notably Lowry, the Federal Center, and Fitzsimons—have their own set of streets. In Lowry, streets are mostly diagonal, following the routes of former runways. In addition to road names that reflect those of the nearby streets, there is a Perimeter Road, Lowry Drive, Renegade Way, and Umpteen Street. Federal Center north-south roads are numbered from First Street to 12th Street. They are intersected by North, Center, and Main avenues. Fitzsimons includes many streets honoring military personnel such as Pennington, Harlow, Bushnell, and Bruns avenues.

### The Scottish Influence

The area just east of North High School, between Clay and Zuni streets from Speer Boulevard to West 32nd Avenue, is Scottish Village. This was a project of the Highland Park Company, owned by Denver & Rio Grande Railroad promoters William Jackson Palmer and William Bell, aided by Josiah C. Reiff and John Brisbane Walker, to lay out an idyllic Scottish Highlands village in Denver in the 1870s. Though the subdivision was not economically successful and looks nothing like a Scottish town, William Bell assigned such monikers as Argyle Place, Dunkeld Place, Caithness Place, and Firth Court to roads which still run in the area. Gone are other streets with Scottish names such as Wanless Street, Clyde Vale, Inverness Avenue, Perth Street, and Brynn Myrr Crescent.

Highland Park proper is at West 32nd Avenue and Federal Boulevard. Nearby roads include Highland Park Place, Fairview Place, and Moncrieff Place. Along with Clyde Place (the 3750 north block), they are other remnants of the effort to have an elite Scottish Highlands neighborhood. The street names also reflect how originally the Highland Park Company aimed to include all the land from Zuni Street to Lowell Boulevard as part of the Scottish Village. (West 26th Avenue was Highland Avenue and West 32nd Avenue was Fairview Avenue prior to the reorganization of the streets of North Denver in 1897.)

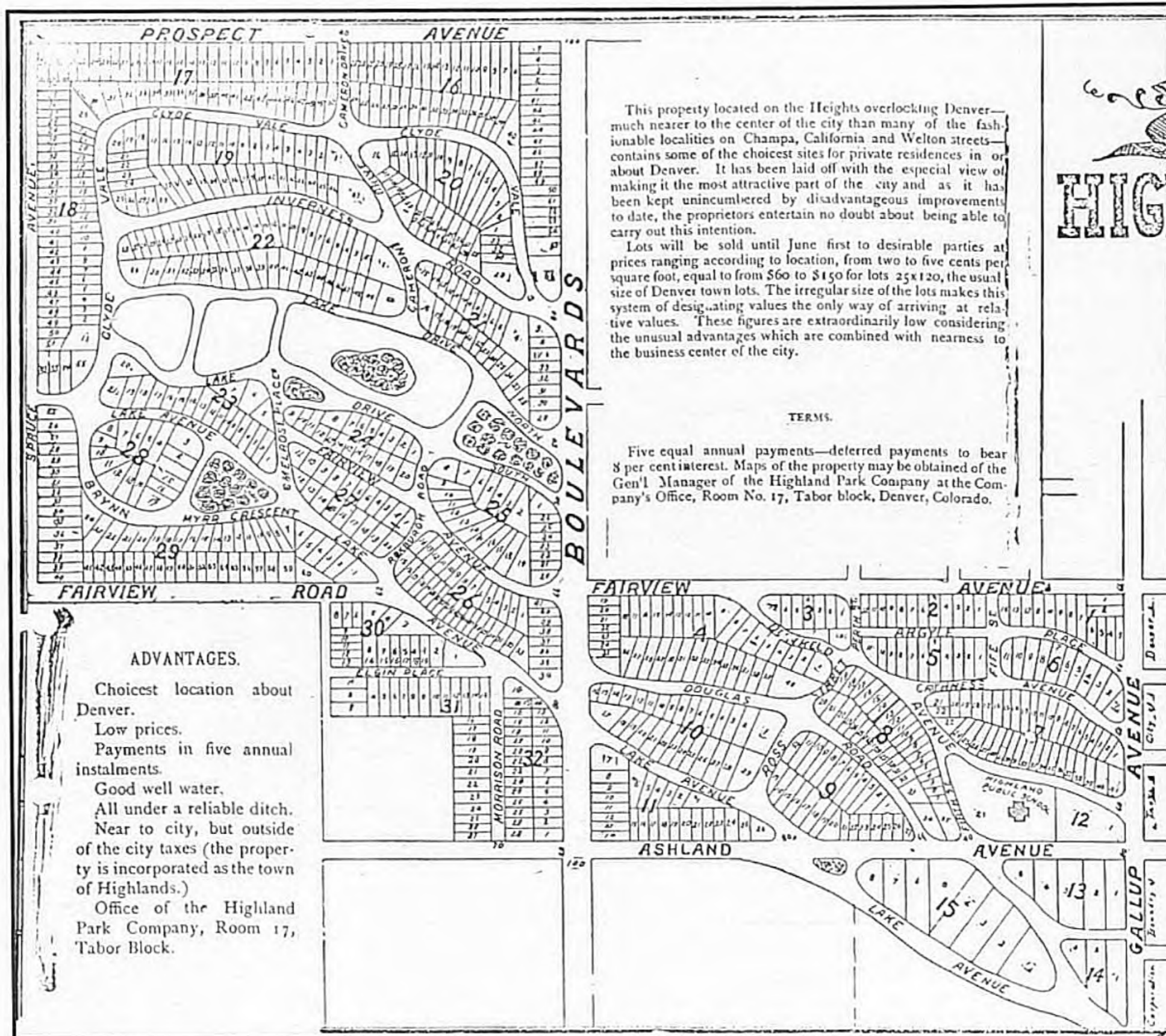
Another street reflecting Denver's attempts to emulate the Scottish Highlands is Bonnie Brae Boulevard, from Exposition Avenue at South University Boulevard to Mississippi Avenue at South Steele Street. Undertaker and real estate developer George W. Olinger, impressed by a Bonnie Brae section of Kansas City, hired landscape architect Saco R. DeBoer to lay out Denver's rolling or pleasant hill (the translation of the Gaelic Bonnie Brae) in 1923. Included in this subdivision are such roads as Medea, Euclid, and Cove ways.

Bonnie Brae was Denver's first modern subdivision with curvilinear streets. Advocates of this system of nongeometric roads insist that streets should follow the topography. The twisting paths reduce outside traffic and give residents a feeling of exclusivity. The curvilinear system has generally supplanted the grid system in newer secluded parts of suburbia.

The same man who designed the Bonnie Brae neighborhood, Saco DeBoer, also laid out The Glens. This is a section in Lakewood between West Colfax and West 20th avenues from Estes Street to Garland Street. The twisting roads of this area, developed by Cyrus Creighton, all begin with "Glen," such as Glen Ayr Avenue, Glen Bar Drive, Glen Dale Drive, Glen Dee Drive, Glen Garry Drive, and Glen Shiel Drive. Creighton promoted The Glens as an 80-acre "park for happy homes," an idyllic suburb that was to emulate the best of Scottish living. DeBoer also helped design the Crestmoor and Southmoor neighborhoods where twisting roads occasionally have names with a Scottish tint.

### Diagonal Roads

The story of Leetsdale Drive and Parker Road reflects the evolution of suburban Denver. Leetsdale Drive begins at Bayaud Avenue and South Colorado Boulevard, heading southeast. Daniel Leet and his son, John, came to Denver in 1879. They were soon heavily involved in real estate speculation, focusing on land southeast of Denver. On October 19, 1892, John Leet platted the area between South Oneida and South Quebec streets from Exposition to Mississippi avenues. He named the section Leetsdale. The county road going to



This property located on the Heights overlooking Denver—much nearer to the center of the city than many of the fashionable localities on Champa, California and Welton streets—contains some of the choicest sites for private residences in or about Denver. It has been laid off with the especial view of making it the most attractive part of the city and as it has been kept unincumbered by disadvantageous improvements to date, the proprietors entertain no doubt about being able to carry out this intention.

Lots will be sold until June first to desirable parties at prices ranging according to location, from two to five cents per square foot, equal to from \$60 to \$150 for lots 25x120, the usual size of Denver town lots. The irregular size of the lots makes this system of designating values the only way of arriving at relative values. These figures are extraordinarily low considering the unusual advantages which are combined with nearness to the business center of the city.

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The Highland Park Company sought to develop the area west of Zuni Street (Gallup Avenue) to Lowell Boulevard (Spruce Avenue) from Prospect Avenue (West 38th Avenue) to Lake Avenue (Speer Boulevard) into a romantic town with twisting streets that emulated a Scottish Highlands village. Remnants of this effort are in place between Clay and Zuni streets between West 29th Avenue (Ashland Avenue) and West 32nd Avenue (Fairview Avenue) as Scottish Village.

it, consequently, became Leetsdale Drive. Southeast of South Quebec Street, near Mississippi Avenue, the path is Parker Road, noting a further destination.

Leetsdale Drive is not the only street whose name changes as it cuts through suburbia. In newer sections of Denver, arterials often twist and turn to get around land easements, the Platte River, interstate highways, and other barriers. Unless a diagonal road was specifically laid out as a thoroughfare, such as West Alameda Parkway, which was designed in 1937 as the street that was to connect the city of Denver with its mountain parks, often a boulevard's designation changes as it runs from one part of the grid to another. So it is that South Monaco Parkway is transformed into Princeton Avenue, Eastmoor Drive, and then South Ulster Street as it heads south from Hampden Avenue to the Denver Tech Center. South Quebec Street turns into South Tamarac Drive near the 3100 south block, becoming DTC Boulevard south of I-225, and South Yosemite Street south of Orchard Road. Evans Avenue is transformed into Iliff Avenue near South Quebec Street in what was once the independent town of Sullivan, Colorado.

Hale Parkway runs from 12th Avenue and Albion Street to Eighth Avenue and Grape Street, following the path of a filled-in gully. Plans for this parkway were initially proposed in the late 1930s as a means of connecting the new Lowry Air Force Base with the rest of the city. Tentatively christened the Mayfair Parkway, Chivington Parkway soon became the proposed designation of the street. John Chivington led the Colorado forces at Glorieta Pass, New Mexico, in March 1862, where Colorado soldiers staved off the Texans who were supposedly marching on the Pikes Peak gold fields. The name Chivington Parkway immediately sparked controversy since Chivington was responsible for the Sand Creek Massacre. In November 1864, under Chivington's command, soldiers murdered numerous inhabitants of a peaceful Indian village near Sand Creek of the Arkansas River. For some months debate over the appropriateness of naming a street for Chivington filled the newspapers. (Sixteenth Avenue east of Dahlia Street was Chivington Avenue until 1904.)

In February 1941, the new road was designated Hale Parkway in memory of General Irving Hale. He had led the Colorado forces in crushing the Filipino bid for independence in 1898-99 in the wake of the Spanish American War. The Veterans of Foreign Wars, which Hale had helped establish and which has post number one in Denver in Hale's honor, placed a brass marker on a huge boulder at the head of Hale Parkway for the boulevard's dedication on September 21, 1941. The plaque is sometimes said to be attached to the largest "Hale stone" in the world. Hooker Street, in the alphabet west of Federal Boulevard, had been briefly named Hale Street in Irving Hale's honor between 1900 and 1904.

Other diagonal roads have their stories. Those on the fringes of Denver often led to what were once totally separate communities from the Mile High City. Brighton Boulevard—known in places as Brighton Road—roughly parallels the railroad tracks and Platte River as it goes to the county seat of Adams County, Brighton. That town was named in the 1880s in the hope that it would emerge as a resort for Denver in the same manner that Brighton, England, was then a seaside resort for London.

Morrison Road was also originally just that: the path to the town near Red Rocks named for George Morrison. Morrison Road originally began at West Colfax Avenue where a short section of what is dubbed Morrison Road still runs southward from the 2700 block of West Colfax Avenue. Much of the original Morrison Road, the old county road 8, was filled in by subsequent urban development. Only near West Alameda Avenue and South Knox Court does Morrison Road reemerge heading southwest. It disappears again at West Mississippi Avenue and Sheridan Boulevard, once more starting on its path to Morrison to the west of Wadsworth Boulevard at about what would be the equivalent of West Iliff Avenue. (West Mississippi Avenue from South Sheridan Boulevard to South Pierce Street was once deemed to be part of Morrison Road, as was South Pierce Street between West Mississippi and West Jewell avenues. Morrison Road then continued westward on West Jewell Avenue to South Wadsworth Boulevard to the current Morrison Road.)

### The Coming of the Valley Highway

The stories of some roads reflect failed ambitions. Noteworthy is Buchtel Boulevard, roughly parallel to I-25 from South Logan Street to the 2000 block of South Colorado Boulevard. In the 1920s, residents of the University Park neighborhood, east of South University Boulevard and south of Jewell Avenue, observed that the northern fringe of their area was divided by the Colorado & Southern Railroad tracks. They figured that if a grand diagonal boulevard were erected along the railroad right-of-way, it would link them with Washington Park and the rest of the city. City Council responded in January 1925 when it authorized the construction of a 100-foot-wide Buchtel Boulevard from South University Boulevard to the city limits at South Colorado Boulevard. The road was named in memory of the Henry Buchtel, the long-time chancellor of the University of Denver, and a former governor of Colorado, who had died the previous year.

Buchtel Boulevard was never landscaped into a romantic parkway. On the contrary, no sooner had the road opened to traffic in 1926 than complaints were loudly heard that it ran from no place to nowhere. Not only did few people then live near the road in far South Denver, but the promised real estate developments adjacent to Buchtel Boulevard did not come to fruition. The result was demands that the city connect Buchtel Boulevard with the rest of Denver by a new series of parkways, notably a Grasmere Parkway (Grasmere Lake is the southern lake in Washington Park, named for a lake side village in western England) which would run from Washington Park to the University of Denver football stadium near Jewell Avenue and South Race Street and then eastward into Buchtel Boulevard. This proposal never made it off the drawing board. Nonetheless, through the late 1920s and into the 1930s, South Denver business interests believed that Buchtel Boulevard was key to the economic prosperity of their part of the city.

Beginning in 1932, the South Denver Civic Association, representing more than 300 South Denver businesses, launched a campaign for the city to extend Buchtel Boulevard westward to connect with South Downing Street and South Broadway, creating a

thoroughfare from South Denver to downtown. Though these plans encountered numerous roadblocks, the Depression proved a blessing in disguise. It was a period of hard times for the Colorado & Southern Railroad. On the verge of bankruptcy, it was hounded by the city for back taxes. Eventually a settlement was reached when the railroad gave Denver the right-of-way for the Buchtel Boulevard extension to satisfy existing tax claims. Simultaneously, the federally financed Public Works Administration took an interest in the Buchtel Boulevard project. Work on the extension got underway in 1935, and the road was dedicated on June 20, 1936.

By the time Buchtel Boulevard opened, new traffic problems had appeared. In the 1930s, automotive congestion soared. Though the government responded by widening roads and introducing the first one-way streets, many believed that only through the construction of a limited-access freeway could the area's traffic problems be solved.

These considerations led to the first proposals for what became the Valley Highway, as Interstate 25 is known through central Denver. Between 1938 and 1940, with the assistance of the Public Works Administration, plans were laid and construction began on a highway along the banks of the Platte River that was ultimately supposed to have stretched through the entire city. Stretches of this project remain today as South Platte River Drive along the stream between West Bayaud and West Hampden avenues.

The development of South Platte River Drive was sidetracked by World War II. After the war, parts of the riverside drive were seized upon as the road bed for the new Valley Highway. Denver was then so insistent that it needed to build a superhighway that it did not bother to plan the road thoroughly. When construction on the Valley Highway started near West 52nd and Acoma Street in 1948, the engineers had no precise idea of how the highway would connect with downtown or where it would run south of the central business district. Rather than directly addressing the downtown linkage, it was decided to build the highway first and worry about downtown access afterwards. Consequently, the super-

highway has never had the best of routes into the center of Denver.

After pondering that the new highway should continue along the Platte River into southwest Denver or should be located in the bed of Cherry Creek, the Buchtel Boulevard corridor was chosen as the southern path of the future interstate. To get the road away from the Platte River to the route along Buchtel Boulevard, highway engineers moved 3,000 feet of the bed of the Platte River to the west side of the freeway. Nature fought back by periodically flooding much of the highway near where the river once ran close to West Alameda Avenue. This section was pejoratively called Lake Watrous, memorializing state highway engineer Mark Ulysses Watrous, the man most responsible for the design of I-25.

#### Other Freeways

Interstate 70 also follows the path of a failed parkway. Initially, the city's parks were to be linked together by an elaborate set of parkways—imposing, tree-lined roads designed for casual strolls and peaceful carriage rides. Land for one such parkway was reserved along 46th Avenue east of the Platte River. Another parkway was to be planted along West 48th Avenue to connect Rocky Mountain Park near Federal Boulevard with Berkeley Park at Tennyson Street and the Lakeside Amusement Park at Sheridan Boulevard. Neither parkway was ever landscaped.

With the coming of the interstate highway program in the 1950s, Denver feared that it would be left behind. Original plans called for I-70 to terminate in Denver, not cutting through the Colorado Rockies. The city and state used all their clout to get the Federal Highway Administration to include a western Colorado route for the freeway. Simultaneously, the city argued that if it were not in the vanguard of pushing the throughway's design, Denver would be left without an east-west interstate.

This was particularly on the mind of Richard Batterton, a former car dealer, who served as the city's manager of public works from 1955 to 1959, and as mayor from 1959 to 1963. Claiming that if Denver did not immediately convert the parkway lands into the path for the

freeway, the city would never get a superhighway, these areas became the rights-of-way for I-70. Though park lovers protested, observing that a path for the interstate could easily be obtained just north of the city line near 52nd Avenue, the highway was cut through on the parkway lands, destroying many working-class homes in the Globeville, Elyria, and Swansea sections where the 46th Avenue Parkway was once to have run. The initial stretch of the "parkway" opened in 1966.

In destroying the proposed parkways for the freeway, Denver was fully in tune with national highway trends. Since the 1930s, citizens have vehemently opposed new freeways running through existing neighborhoods. Planners have sought to redress this by planting a few trees and claiming that such speedways are actually "parkways." One reason sound fences were never placed along I-70 near Rocky Mountain and Berkeley parks was to accentuate the road as a "parkway."

Even so, Denver long stuck to an earlier vision where it was proud of its parkway system of tree-lined, median-filled roads that were designed for fine living and peaceful relaxation. Not until the 1970s did the city start intently to try to sell new expressways and arterials as "parkways." With the coming of the new Cherry Creek Shopping Center in the late 1980s, First Avenue from University Boulevard to Steele Street, and Steele Street from First Avenue to Cherry Creek North Drive, were declared to be such "parkways" when concrete pillars were placed by the sides of the roads while some landscaped medians were installed in the center of these speedways.

West Sixth Avenue, U.S. 6, a freeway west of Kalamath Street, was Denver's first superhighway. During World War II, the land that is today the Federal Center, near West Sixth Avenue and Kipling Street, was isolated from the city. The property was then the Denver Ordnance Plant where guns and ammunition were produced for the war effort. The \$200,000 West Sixth Avenue highway was constructed during the war as a joint city, state, and army project to allow workers an easier commute to the facility. Then, in the 1960s, planners eyed extending U.S. 6 as a limited-access super-



highway east to Lowry Air Force Base and beyond. This was blocked by residents of the Denver Country Club area who did not want their neighborhood destroyed by the proximity of such a road.

The Denver-Boulder Turnpike, U.S. 36, was the state's second superhighway and first modern toll road. Already in the 1920s, University of Colorado professor Roderick Downing had urged a limited-access highway between the university town and the Colorado capital. Boulder interests pushed the throughway after World War II. The legislature approved the road in 1947, when the idea of a toll was floated to pay for the \$6.3 million project. Proponents promised that the fee would be lifted by 1980 when the bonds for the highway would be retired. After much debate, ground was broken on October 16, 1950, and the road opened for traffic on January 19, 1952. Traffic immediately surpassed expectations, allowing the toll to be terminated in September 1967—one of the few instances where the toll on a highway has been eliminated in the modern United States.

Other freeways followed in the 1960s and 1970s. Interstate 76 was part of the original interstate highway system. Initially designated I-80 South, it connects the Mile High City with I-80 near North Platte, Nebraska, via the South Platte River valley. For Colorado's centennial in 1976, I-80 South was renumbered I-76. It was only finally completed, linking I-70 and I-25, in 1993. Meanwhile, I-270 emerged as the highway from I-70 near Stapleton Airport to I-25 by the Boulder Turnpike. I-225, from I-70 east of Fitzsimons to I-25 well south of the old boundaries of Denver, was built between approximately 1964 and 1974. The presence of the freeway, which was then located at the far eastern and southern stretches of the metropolis, was crucial in



*This 1948 map by the consulting firm of Howard, Needles, Tammen & Bergendoff shows the proposed Denver-Boulder Turnpike. Note that West 72nd Avenue is listed as Wyoming Avenue near where the highway was slated to begin at West 72nd Avenue and Federal Boulevard. Also observe the proposed path of the "future interregional highway" which eventually became I-25.*

spurring the growth of Aurora and shifting many businesses to the southeast corridor.

As the interstate program continued in full bloom into the 1970s, developers eyed a southwestern beltway, Interstate 470, between I-70 in Golden and I-25 near the Arapahoe-Douglas county line. One vehement opponent of the planned freeway was Governor Richard Lamm. He had been elected in 1974 as an environmentalist, insisting that Colorado had to limit growth. A new freeway, the governor argued, would only accentuate sprawl, pollution, and bad land usage. After a couple years of intense controversy, Lamm proudly boasted of driving a "silver stake" through the monstrosity of I-470 which was soon thereafter revived and built as Colorado or C-470, originally known as the Centennial Parkway.

The 1990s saw acrimonious debates about building a road labeled E-470 east from C-470 around the far eastern half of the metropolitan area. This roadway was to spur further suburban growth and accentuate the sprawl and distances of getting to Denver International Airport. The superhighway's advocates continually changed E-470's proposed alignment and costs. Even while planned as a toll road, backers faced severe funding problems and court challenges over the project.

### The 16th Street Mall

When Governor Lamm killed I-470, he was informed by the Department of Transportation that Colorado could use some of the funds which had been budgeted for that project for other transportation needs. Right at this time, downtown interests were pushing to convert the city's main shopping street, 16th Street, into a special mall. Plans for a such a mall went back to the late 1950s. Downtown boosters already then feared that if the central business district did not develop a mall it

would be left in the wayside by suburban shopping centers. The problem was how to pay for the mall. Through the 1960s and into the 1970s, the 16th Street Mall was born and killed numerous times in disputes over funding and the permissibility of closing a street to automotive traffic. (During the 1960s and 1970s, 16th Street downtown particularly came alive after dark on weekends. Then hot rodders and the high school crowd descended on the road as a place to parade their cars and enact the local version of *American Graffiti*.)

At the same time that I-470 was killed, the Regional Transportation District (RTD) was intent on building a heavy rail project stretching from Northglenn to Southglenn via downtown. The Urban Mass Transportation Administration of the Department of Transportation vetoed the program in 1976, claiming that it had no relationship to reality or Denver's transit needs. Rather, what the Mile High City needed was better downtown bus service. The solution was a transit mall.

Consequently, some of the money which had originally been allocated for the construction of I-470 was diverted to the city and RTD to transform 16th Street into a transit/pedestrian/shopping mall. The road was permanently closed to automotive traffic in March 1980 and the Mall opened in October 1982.

While work was underway on the Mall, promoters sought a name other than "16th Street Mall" for the project. That designation was said to be too "Omahaish" opposed to the glittering name the city needed for the street. Though Downtown Denver Incorporated, the downtown business group which claimed the Mall as its special property, received more than 6,000 suggestions of a better name for the road, there was no consensus over what the street should be called. Consequently, after about a year's consideration of the matter, boosters decided that there actually was nothing wrong simply referring to the promenade as the 16th Street Mall.

No sooner was the Mall, designed by architect I. M. Pei, completed than the granite pavers along the road started to become loose. The problem was that the architect and contractor had not taken into account what the weight of buses along the Mall would do to the

pavers, which had been set to form a mosaic pattern visible to the tenants of highrises. RTD eventually won a multi-million dollar out-of-court settlement with the contractor and architect to pay for the repairs necessitated by the poor design of the street.



Photo by Phil Goodstein

*The 16th Street Mall is one of Denver's special streets. It was dedicated in 1982 as a transit mall on what had once been the city's main shopping street. Shown is a typical street scene, looking northwest from 300 block downtown. Court Place was so named since it was the road in front of the old Arapahoe County Courthouse.*

### Industrial Roadways

Rio Grande Boulevard is the road running adjacent to the east side of the Valley Highway from West Third

Avenue and Osage Street to West Ellsworth Avenue and Lipan Street. It is so named because it is near the tracks of the Denver & Rio Grande Western Railroad. The same is true with Rio Grande Avenue which runs along the west side of the railroad tracks from West Chenango Avenue to Main Street in Littleton.

Railroads have also had a profound impact on many other roads. Near Union Station, for example, some roads only exist on paper—these are railroad rights-of-way where the actual streets, which were once part of a residential area, were vacated years ago. Much of the 1600, 1700, and 1800 blocks of Delgany Street, Chestnut Place, and Bassett Street are cases in point. Similarly, Huron Street north of the Platte River and Pecos Street directly south of West Colfax Avenue only exist as railroad streets.

Denargo Road runs from near the Platte River at 29th Street, in the area just east of the 23rd Street Viaduct, to Delgany Street. Parallel to it are Denargo Street and a road designated Denargo Market. A major figure in 19th-century Denver was Nathaniel Hill. In addition to representing Colorado in the United States Senate from 1879 to 1885 and owning the *Denver Republican*, Hill was the kingpin behind the Boston & Argo Smelter, located at roughly West 47th Avenue and Fox Street. A separate industrial community from Denver, the town of Argo was the home of the smelter. With his son Crawford, Hill subsequently obtained the land on the right bank of the Platte River east of downtown. Noting that this property was halfway between Denver and Argo, the Hills blended the two names together to produce "Denargo." (Denargo originally specified the land between Delaware and Huron streets from West 44th to West 46th avenues.) Beginning in the 1930s, a market was built up in the area as the main agricultural exchange in the city. Denargo Street and Denargo Road were only officially designated in 1949.

Globeville Road, from Fox Street near I-25 to 43rd Avenue and Broadway, was an attempt to link the Globeville neighborhood with the rest of Denver. Globeville was originally an industrial suburb of Denver near the Holden Smelter at 52nd Avenue and Washington Street.

The plant was named after Edward R. Holden, the namesake of West Holden Place, the 1250 north block near Federal Boulevard. When Holden lost control of the smelter, the new owners placed a globe near the top of the smokestack of the reorganized plant which became known as the Globe Smelter, the adjacent area being Globeville.

For some years, residents of Globeville complained about their isolation from the rest of Denver. To redress this grievance, Globeville Road was authorized in October 1930 to run along land which had previously belonged to the Burlington Railroad. The city, in turn, permitted the railroad to close parts of 31st Street. Then, in the 1950s and 1960s, Globeville was devastated by the construction of I-25 and I-70. Both freeways cut directly through the neighborhood. Today Globeville Road functions as a service road just east of I-25.

Denver's third smelter, the Grant Smelter, south of 46th Avenue and east of the Platte River, connected to the city via Arkins Court. Named for John Arkins, a 19th-century Denver newspaper owner and editor, the street parallels the right bank of the Platte River from Denargo Street to near the Coliseum.

A road that once ran close to the Coliseum was Packing House Road from about the 900 block of 46th Avenue to near the 5000 block of Franklin Street, roughly parallel to the Burlington Railroad tracks. This private street went through what was the heart of the stockyards when Denver had a major meat-packing industry. The road was designated National Western Drive in the 1980s. On the south end of the old stockyards are the facilities where the city annually hosts the National Western Stock Show in January. The street's moniker was changed to show that at least once a year Denver is proud of being a cow town.

Ringsby Court runs along the left bank of the Platte River between 31st and 38th streets. This was once a transient stretch of Denver where numerous hovels existed. In the name of urban renewal and slum clearance, the city destroyed this colony in the early 1950s. Bill Ringsby, one of the area's trucking magnates, obtained the land as the yards for his trucking business, the road being named for him in 1957. Since 1954, it had been

known as West Arkins Court, complementing East Arkins Court on the other side of the river.

After Ringsby relocated his operations to Wyoming, the Regional Transportation District obtained land at the former trucking facility for a garage. Yellow Cab of Denver has also had its garages along Ringsby Court. At one time, when individuals applied to Yellow Cab for information about becoming drivers, the taxi company resolutely refused to give them directions to its headquarters, assuming that such potential hackies should know how to get to Ringsby Court.

#### Streets Named for Mayors

Only a handful of mayors have been honored by streets. Even before Denver's controversial over-priced new airport opened in 1995, the mover behind the project, Federico Peña, who was city's chief executive between 1983 and 1991, was memorialized in 1992 by Peña Boulevard, the road connecting I-70 with the sprawling new facility. A short stretch of the same street in Aurora is simply dubbed Airport Boulevard.

Routt Street, the 11500 west block, is named for John Routt, the only man to serve both as governor of Colorado (1876 to 1879 and 1891 to 1893) and as mayor of Denver (1883 to 1885). William Clayton was mayor in 1868-69. Clayton Street, the 2700 east block, honors him and his brother, George Washington Clayton—the same man for whom the old Clayton College for Boys at the northwest corner of 32nd Avenue and Colorado Boulevard was named. William Clayton was his brother's partner in many projects.

The best-known street named for a mayor is Speer Boulevard. Prior to his election as the first mayor of the combined City and County of Denver in 1904, Robert W. Speer was active in both the Democratic Party and real estate dealings. Often seen as a corrupt politician who undertook public improvements to benefit friends and supporters, in 1902 Speer was the broker who negotiated the purchase of the John J. Riethmann Estate between approximately Fourth and Bayaud avenues from Downing Street to University Boulevard for the Denver Country Club.

The latter's backers immediately announced that they planned to develop half of the land as the country club; the other half, from First to Fourth avenues, was set aside as the site for an elite residential district. Among those moving into the area was Speer, who lived at the northeast corner of Third Avenue and Humboldt Street. Speer and the leaders of the Country Club recognized that before the Country Club area could emerge as the exclusive district it sought to be, something had to be done about curbing the flood menace along Cherry Creek.

Denver did not treat Cherry Creek kindly during the city's first 40 years. Not only were virtually all of the chokecherry bushes which had lined Cherry Creek at the time of the Pikes Peak gold rush destroyed, but the stream was used as a dumping ground. It was generally a waste-filled eyesore that flooded periodically. Mayor Speer's solution to the blight on Cherry Creek was to channel the stream into high concrete banks while building a fine boulevard adjacent to the brook. That road connected the Country Club with the old Denver City Hall, at the west corner of 14th and Larimer streets, right off of Cherry Creek.

The arterial along Cherry Creek was initially simply called Cherry Creek Drive. Early in Mayor Speer's second term in July 1908, his supporters pushed through legislation designating the road as Speer Boulevard. Speer Boulevard was extended across the Platte River when the 14th Street Viaduct, which once arose at Blake Street, was renamed the Speer Viaduct by Ordinance 198 of 1927. The viaduct led to Lake Avenue in North Denver, a road laid out along a drainage gulch leading to the Platte River from where Bosler Lake once existed near Highland Park. The latter road was also designated as part of Speer Boulevard in 1927, the throughway ending at Irving Street and West Moncrieff Place.

Other 20th-century mayors have also been honored by public buildings and facilities. Benjamin Stapleton was elected mayor in 1923 with the support of the Ku Klux Klan. He later jettisoned his affiliation with that organization as he served as the city's chief executive from 1923 until 1931 and from 1935 until 1947. In conjunction with Secretary of Commerce Herbert Hoover

and civil aviation interests, Stapleton helped open the Denver Municipal Airport near 32nd Avenue and Syracuse Street in 1929. Denver Municipal Airport was deemed a fitting name for the airfield until 1944 when it was rechristened Stapleton Airfield to honor the mayor. The facility was renamed Stapleton International Airport in 1964. Stapleton Drive is the service road along I-70 west of the old airport.

Mayor Stapleton was also honored by the Stapleton Housing Project at 50th Avenue and Lincoln Street in the Globeville neighborhood. It was abandoned in 1991, deemed poorly located, badly designed, unsafe, and polluted by the nearby ASARCO plant at 52nd Avenue and Washington Street. The ASARCO complex was located at the site of the old Globe Smelter that had been taken over around the turn of the century by the smelter trust of the American Smelting and Refining Company.

Another housing project that is thought to honor a mayor is the Quigg Newton Housing Project near West 46th Avenue and Navajo Street. Though many believe it is named for James Quigg Newton Jr., who served as the city's chief executive from 1947 until 1955, it actually honors James Quigg Newton Sr., Mayor Newton's father, who was the founding chairman of the Denver Housing Authority.

Currigan Hall is the convention center that was supposed to last Denver into the 21st century. In June 1964, voters authorized the construction of a new convention and exposition hall. As it was being built, Mayor Tom Currigan (1963-68) was disappointed by his salary. When the electorate repeatedly rejected his request for a pay raise, he resigned as mayor at the end of 1968, moving to Los Angeles to become vice president of Continental Airlines. The city sought to memorialize his desertion of the post by naming the hall for him in 1969. (A no longer existing road, Currigan Street, ran north and south, parallel to the railroad leading to the Grant Smelter from about 40th and Walnut streets to near the 4200 block of Brighton Boulevard. It was named for Mayor Currigan's grandfather, Martin D. Currigan, who was president of the board of aldermen when the road was established in 1891.)

Currigan's successor as mayor, William McNichols Jr. (1969-83), is also remembered by a major public building. McNichols Arena is a remnant of Denver's push for the 1976 Winter Olympics. Voters authorized a bond issue for the hall in September 1972, being promised that property owners would not really have to pay for the sports facility since it would be covered by the Bicentennial Project and the Olympics. When voters vetoed Colorado's hosting the Olympics in November 1972, the arena became a center of controversy. Right when it was over budget and behind schedule in construction in May-June 1974, members of city council were immersed in a quarrel over who would serve as president of council during the 1974-75 term. Hoping to win Mayor McNichols' support, one of the aspirants for the council presidency, Larry Perry, suggested that the complex be named for the mayor. This passed council on June 3, 1974, though Perry then failed to win the council presidency.

No sooner was the facility dubbed McNichols Arena than assertions were jocularly made that it was honoring a McNichols other than the mayor. Mayor McNichols' father, William McNichols Sr., served as city auditor from 1931 until 1955. He is remembered by McNichols Park at 17th Avenue and Syracuse Street.

### Lost Street Names

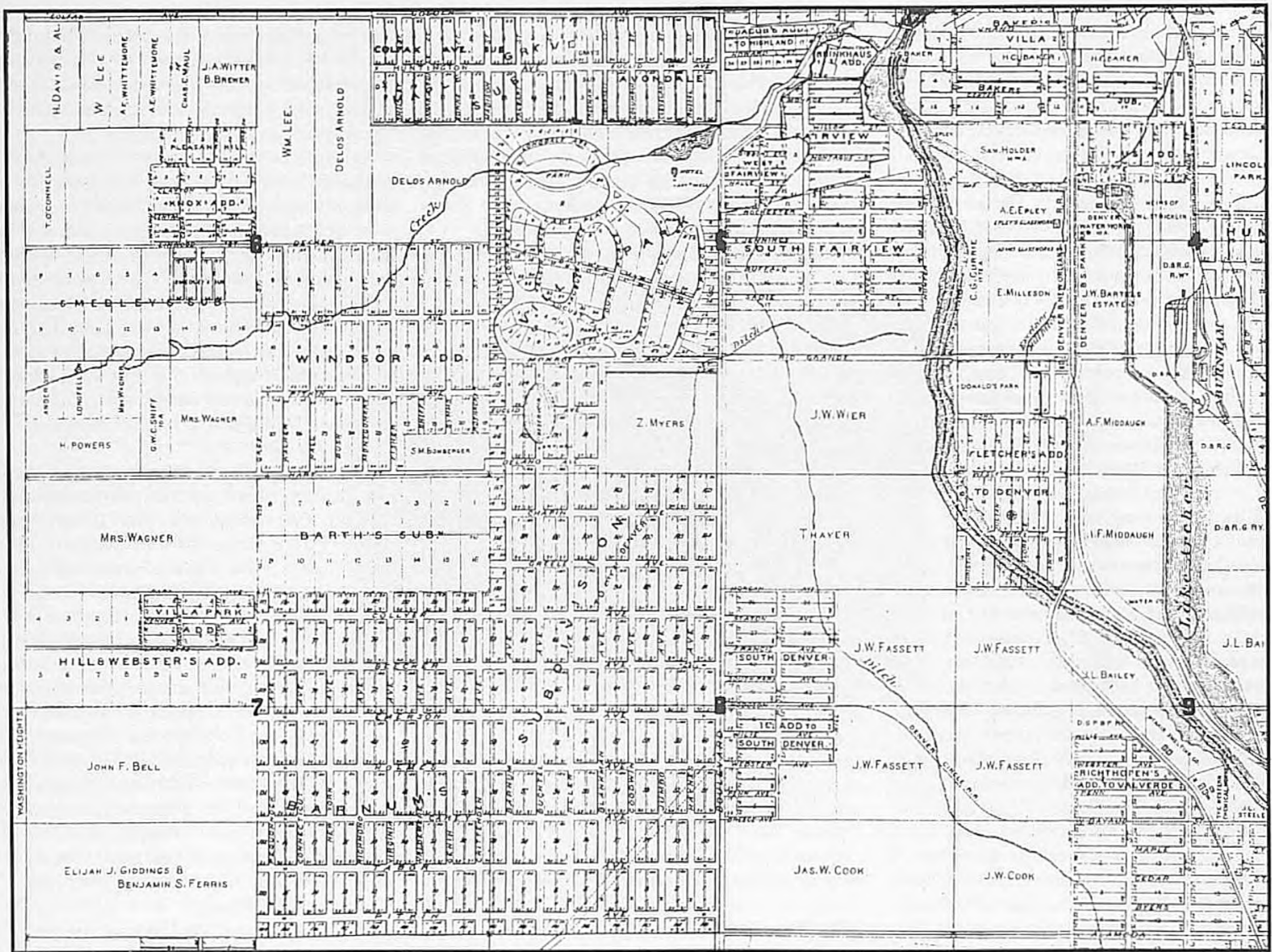
In reorganizing the streets of Denver, many colorful street names disappeared. In 1887, the north-south roads between approximately 40th and 46th avenues from York to Monroe streets in Swansea were named after fruits: Apple, Banana, Cherry, Damson, Elder, Fruit, Grape, Hazel, Lemon, Melon, Orange, and Plum streets. The "I," "J," "K" and "N" roads were skipped in this alphabet. These names were changed to those of the general grid in December 1891.

South of the fruit streets, between Mississippi and Florida avenues, the roads were electric. This was Electric Heights where the roads were named for pioneers of electricity. South Josephine Street was Sprague Street, honoring the inventor of the streetcar, Frank Sprague. South Columbine Street was Edison Street, and

South Clayton Street was Westinghouse Street. East of this development, between Mississippi and Mexico avenues, was the Alta Vista subdivision. It was dominated by "monte" streets: South Fillmore Street was Monte Cristo Avenue; South Milwaukee Street, Monte Carlo Avenue; South St. Paul Street, Montezuma Avenue; and South Steele Street, Monterrey Avenue.

Twenty-third Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard was originally Alhambra Avenue, being paralleled by Alhondiga (25th) and Alzoma (22nd) avenues. Parts of Roslyn Street were Lulu Avenue. Birch Street was Cervantes Street from Montview Boulevard to 26th Avenue, Bismarck Street between 26th and 32nd avenues, and Birdsey Street (often spelled Birdseye Street) between 32nd and 35th avenues. Two blocks away, Dexter Street was Dickens Street between 26th and 32nd avenues. South York Street was Tippecanoe Street between Alameda and Kentucky avenues.

Circus promoter Phineas T. Barnum tried his hand at street names when he sought to develop the land roughly from West 13th to West Alameda avenues and westward from Federal Boulevard to the equivalent of Tennyson Street into an idyllic suburb in the 1870s. When Barnum bought the land in 1882, the northern section, between West Eighth and West 13th avenues to Lowell Boulevard, had already been laid out as Villa Park with twisting streets that never made it off the drawing board. The southern section was Barnum proper. In both areas the streets honored Barnum's friends, circus performers, and locations and people whom he admired. Hazel Court was Jumbo Avenue after the famous elephant. Barnum named a road for himself (King Street was Barnum Avenue). Helen Avenue (Julian Street) was named for his daughter. Buchtel Avenue (Knox Court) honored her husband, Dr. William Buchtel, the brother of University of Denver Chancellor Henry Buchtel. Barnum lived in a mansion called Waldemere (Newton Street was Waldemere Avenue) in Connecticut (Raleigh Street was Connecticut Avenue) on the banks of the Pequonnock River (Stuart Street was Pequonnock Street). Collyer Avenue (West Third Avenue) and Chapin Avenue (West Fifth Avenue) were named for Universalist ministers



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Until 1897, southwest Denver had its own set of street names. Shown is the area on the 1887 Rollandet Map. The twisting roads in the center of the map were a landscape architect's idea of what the Villa Park area should look like. South Eighth Street (Navajo Street) is the border on the right. Pitkin Avenue (West Byers Place) is on the bottom. The equivalent of Sheridan Boulevard is on the left. Golden Avenue (West Colfax Avenue) is on the top of the map.

who impressed Barnum, Robert Collyer and Edwin H. Chapin. Lelia Avenue (Hooker Street in Villa Park) remembered Barnum's granddaughter who was later a major Denver society woman.

Some colorful street names never made it off the drawing board. Windsor Heights was platted as an idyllic suburb southeast of Aurora in 1897, running approximately from First Avenue to Alameda Avenue between Peoria and Potomac streets. The developer relied on people and gods from classical antiquity for his road nomenclature. The community advertised having Cicero, Caesar, Spartacus, Venus, Cleopatra, Horace, Plato, Mars, and Pompey streets among others. Only three people, however, built houses in the area which was soon forgotten. A set of roads based on astronomical bodies was once east of the Cherry Creek Reservoir and south of Hampden Avenue where there were such streets as Venus Way, Star Drive, and Jupiter Lane. Galaxy Circle, Starlight Drive, Planet Place, and Milky Way are roads with an outer-space theme east of Huron Street and south of West 88th Avenue.

Generally missing from the names of Denver streets are ones celebrating mammals. No set of streets denote the local fauna such as an Antelope, Bison, Coyote, Deer, Elk-type alphabet. That was the name of a series of avenues between Pecos and Zuni streets in the 19th century, with West 45th Avenue being Antelope Street through the current West Elk Place which is the old Elk Street. Many other streets then highlighted the wildlife. Sections of Elati Street and 14th Avenue were also designated Antelope Street. Bear Street was West Eighth Avenue; Buffalo Street was Ninth Avenue; and parts of Dahlia Street were Caribou Street. Homestead Drive, Manitou Road, Arrowhead Road, Wagon Trail Drive, Frontier Drive, and Cimarron Road are names of paths near Bow Mar, between South Lowell and South Sheridan boulevards from West Union Avenue to West Bowles Avenue, where modern efforts have been made to give a western theme to the streets.

Roads south of Seventh Avenue once recalled mountain men. Sixth Avenue was Carson Street after Kit Carson; Fifth Avenue was Beckwourth Street after Jim

Beckwourth (it also shows up as Beckwith Street just as Jim Beckwourth was sometimes referred to as Jim Beckwith); Third Avenue was Bridger Street after Jim Bridger; and Fourth Avenue was Vasquez Street, named for explorer and trapper Louis Vásquez. The last was honored in 1940 when a new diagonal street, authorized in 1939, was cut through between 46th Avenue and Clayton Street and 52nd Avenue and Colorado Boulevard—Vasquez Boulevard.

Ralston Road, from about the 5800 block of Lamar Street to West 64th Avenue near Oak Street, remembers one of Colorado's first argonauts. Lewis Ralston was a Georgian who was part Cherokee Indian. He passed through the future Mile High City in 1850 on his way to the California gold fields. "Color" (the prospectors' term for placer gold) was discovered by Ralston along a tributary of Clear Creek, but he did not deem the deposits of gold to be rich enough to detour him from his west coast destination. Later, stories about the gold in Ralston Creek helped fire enthusiasm for the Pikes Peak gold rush when another party of Georgians, including Ralston, headed for Colorado in 1858.

Typical of how little local emphasis went into the street names of the Maloney System is that the only road named "Denver" in the City and County of Denver is a minor half block, West Denver Place, running parallel to West 38th and West 39th avenues, between Clay and Irving streets. Some suburbs have roads featuring their names, e.g., Littleton Boulevard, Englewood Parkway, Northglenn Drive, Thornton Parkway, Lakewood Place, and Westminster Place. When the Denver Broncos moved their headquarters east of Centennial Airport, the road linking South Peoria Street at the airport and South Potomac Street was labeled Broncos Parkway. However, no Mountain Street, Gold Avenue, or Mint Road exist to note some of the area's attractions and history.

#### North Denver Streets

With the rationalization of the street system, numerous street names disappeared. This was especially the case in North Denver, an area which felt itself slighted by the Maloney System. While 16th Street turns into 16th

Avenue at Broadway in East Denver, 16th Street becomes West 30th Avenue at Tejon Street where the diagonal grid connects with the east-west/north-south grid in North Denver. A few blocks north, 23rd Street is transformed into West 38th Avenue.

In the same manner that the numbered streets of downtown were to correspond with the numbered avenues of Capitol Hill and the "south" streets south of West Colfax Avenue, North Denver was once to have been connected with the numbered streets by a series of "north" streets. Tejon Street was defined as North 16th Street north of where it begins at West 30th Avenue and 16th Street. Shoshone Street was similarly christened North 18th Street. These names were never popular and were not widely applied. There were, for example, no North 15th, 17th or 19th streets. Rather than embracing this system, North Denver had an intricate set of street names of its own.

Merrill (Inca), Converse (Jason), Somands (Kalamath), Justina (Lipan), Clifton (Mariposa), Palmer (Navajo), Bell (Osage), and Goss (Tejon) streets were some of the appellations of North Denver roads prior to the Maloney System. The numbered avenues also were named. West 29th Avenue was Ashland Avenue, honoring Ashland, Delaware, near the birthplace of William Jackson Palmer, a key figure in the Highland Park Company that developed much of the neighborhood. The street, in turn, gave its moniker to the neighborhood's first school, Ashland School, at the northwest corner of West 29th Avenue and Firth Court. Opened in 1874, the building was soon overcrowded and obsolete. It was drastically remodeled in 1883 and supplanted by a new Ashland School in 1888. The latter structure served the neighborhood into the 1970s, being demolished in February 1975. The previous year it had been replaced by José Valdez School, named for a World War II New Mexican military figure.

West 27th Avenue was Diamond Avenue. The hill arising on it from the Platte River was hence labeled Diamond Hill. Other east-west roads were also named for gemstones. West 21st Avenue was Jasper Street; West 22nd Avenue, Pearl Street; West 23rd Avenue,

Agate Street; West 24th Avenue was Ruby Street in some locations, Topaz Street in others; West 25th Avenue was Emerald Street east of Federal Boulevard and west of Lowell Boulevard—in between it was Granite Street.

Prospect Avenue was the original name of West 38th Avenue, denoting that it was a preferred route miners took on their way from Denver into the mountains. West Colfax Avenue was Golden or South Golden Avenue or Road, the main highway to Golden, Colorado. West 44th Avenue, especially west of Sheridan Boulevard, was sometimes called North Golden Road, and parts of West 26th and West 32nd avenues west of Denver were Middle Golden Road.

Originally, West Colfax Avenue ended at Osage Street, its path west blocked by railroad tracks. The equivalent of West 15th Avenue west of the railroad tracks to Federal Boulevard was Grand Avenue. It was designated the continuation of Colfax in 1892. From Colorado Boulevard to Dahlia Street, Colfax Avenue was once called Hartman Avenue, noting how Casper R. Hartman platted the land north of Colfax Avenue and east of Colorado Boulevard in 1871. (He was also the man who named Colorado Boulevard.) At more than 40 miles long, running sporadically from Strasburg, Colorado, to Picadilly Road, and then continuously to Golden, Colfax Avenue is one of the longest streets in the United States.

The change of street names, particularly the modifications resulting from the Maloney System, has created a severe problem for individuals researching old locations. Often the streets they seek have long disappeared. In such instances, it is best to have the legal description of the property in trying to locate the desired tract.

#### “Places” and “Courts”

In addition to streets and avenues proper, the Maloney System has provisions for half blocks. These refer to side streets which do not completely go through the

grid or which are deemed as only half of a full block in the numbering system based on the Ellsworth Avenue and Broadway axes. Outside of the downtown grid, a “court” is the technical term for a north-south road that is a half block of a street such as Filbert Court, parallel to Fairfax and Forest streets, from Colfax Avenue to the 17th Avenue Parkway. A “place” is an east-west half block, e.g., Park Place, the 2150 north block, between Vine and Race streets. A “drive” is a twisting road, generally headed east and west, that connects with an



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*Alleys are very much part of the street system. Hidden away in the middle of some square blocks are miniparks and courtyards. Montclerry Park is in the center of the block bordered by Montview Boulevard, Clermont and Cherry streets, and 19th Avenue. The name derives from an abbreviation of Montview, Clermont, and Cherry.*

avenue such as Gill Drive, which links the 600 block of South Garfield Street with Exposition Avenue near South Jackson Street. A “way” is a north-south street running into another north-south street, e.g., South Edison Way goes from the 4850 block of Louisiana Avenue to South Dahlia Street near Arkansas Avenue. Roads that begin and end with a major block or are dead ends or cul-de-sacs are defined as “circles.”

Generally, the names of courts begin with the same letter of the alphabet as does one of the parallel streets. Beach Court, for example, is a half block from Bryant Street; Canosa Court is the half block adjacent to Clay Street; Dale Court is similarly close to Decatur Street. But, to confuse things, Elm Court is a half block from Eliot Street, not adjacent to Elm Street in the double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard.

The appellations of places are much more arbitrary than those of the courts. While Severn Place, the 750 north block, begins with the same letter of the alphabet as adjacent Seventh Avenue, there is not always a logical link between the name of the place and the nearby avenues. West Scott Place, for instance, runs sporadically as the 4550 north block west of Tejon Street; Ira A. Scott initially owned land along this road. East of Tejon Street, the 4550 north block is West Chaffee Place, named for one of Colorado’s first senators, Jerome Chaffee.

Sometimes the same half street shows up miles away from where another half street of the same name runs between specific blocks. Custer Place, the 550 south block, is a case in point. It cuts through near both South Holly Street and in parts of southwest Denver by South Pecos Street and South Lowell Boulevard. Then, as seen in the 1650 north block, the same half block on the decimal grid might have different names depending on its location and history.

While Batavia Place divides 16th and 17th avenues east of Colorado Boulevard, West Annie Place is between West 16th and West 17th avenues from Yates Street to Sheridan Boulevard. It was named for the wife of Dr. Hugo Brinkhaus, an early landowner in this part of Denver. Close to Annie Place, between West Colfax and West 16th avenues, west of Federal Boulevard, is West Conejos Place.

On paper, many streets and avenues are complemented by a place or a court—roads that usually only run for a few blocks here and there in the general grid. The specific layout of a subdivision is key in determining

whether there are half blocks in the area. Neighborhoods that feature twisting roads invariably seem to be dominated by half blocks and other streets which are not part of the overall grid.

"Courts" are especially prevalent in the area west of Zuni Street. Here the distance between the north-south streets is one-twelfth of a mile compared to the usual one-sixteenth of a mile dividing such byways. The courts were cut through to separate such blocks, especially in areas that did not seek to have as large of lots as was the original plat of North Denver.

A keynote of the streets of North Denver is that many of the blocks there are almost square as opposed to the elongated rectangles that dominate the city's grid. These square blocks were designed so that houses would face out from all four sides of the block. In the center of the block was to be a courtyard that could be used for a minipark. Other such squares were turned into community gardens or grazing places for horses where grooms could pasture the animals and turn around the carriages. The section of Park Hill between Colfax Avenue, Colorado Boulevard, Montview Boulevard, and Dahlia Street also features such square blocks and central courtyards. A wide variety of structures and usages are still found in the center of these blocks.

Many sections of Denver feature fascinating alleys. Hidden behind the streets are everything from secluded houses to junk yards to huge parking areas to ornate private gardens. To highlight the presence and importance of these paths in the middle of blocks, developer George Tritch assigned names to the alleys when platting the Union Addition between West 29th and West 32nd avenues from Tejon to Zuni streets in 1881. Lyle Court is the name of the alley there between Umatilla and Vallejo streets; Glenn Court is between Vallejo and Wyandot streets; and High Court is between Wyandot and Zuni streets.

Other areas lack alleys. Alleys were viewed as superfluous after World War II. Sections which abound with "places" and "courts" frequently lack these back roads. Where more than one minor road runs between two avenues, such as Utah Place and Bails Place which

separate Colorado and Jewell avenues between South Bellaire and South Dahlia streets, alleys are absent.

"Places" are common in the area south of Ellsworth Avenue and west of Broadway. While the oblong rectangular blocks usually rest on a north-south axis, here the long blocks run east and west. Acoma Street does not cut through between West Ellsworth and West Alameda avenues where such half blocks as Archer Place, Maple Avenue, and Byers Place run. "Places" similarly dominate in parts of southeast and southwest Denver where these roads have a sea theme. Atlantic, Pacific, Adriatic, Baltic, and Caspian places are names of east-west half blocks running sporadically between Jewell and Wesley avenues.

"Places" and "courts" and other half blocks do not always fit into the rules of the Maloney System. Here and there, these half blocks might be called "streets" or "avenues." Oak Street, for example, is a short half block running from Sloans Lake to West 26th Avenue parallel to Winona Court and Wolff Street. To confuse things, there is also an Oak Street on the grid, the 10800 west block. Similarly hidden away are such half blocks as Donald Avenue (the 2250 south block between the service road east of I-25 and South Grape Street) and West Water Avenue (the 2625 south block between South Zuni and South Decatur streets).

### Renaming Modern Streets

For years, Denver was reluctant to modify its street names. It has neither a major road honoring Franklin Roosevelt nor a boulevard named in memory of John F. Kennedy. (Kennedy Drive in Northglenn was so named prior to President Kennedy's death. There is a Roosevelt Avenue in Thornton, and a Roosevelt Way in Aurora.) Indeed, no systematic attempt has been made to remember American presidents since Grover Cleveland.

Nor did Denver immediately leap out and change the names of streets to honor temporary heroes. The city, for instance, rejected proposals to rename West Alameda Avenue "MacArthur Avenue" for General Douglas MacArthur during World War II. It similarly refused to honor Frances Cabrini by either renaming Navajo Street

from West 33rd to West 38th avenues for her when she was canonized in 1946 or to declare Federal Boulevard to be St. Mother Frances Cabrini Boulevard. Rather, the city suggested Catholics build a special shrine to this woman who had briefly lived in Denver in 1902 if they wished to remember her.

In recent years, this aspect of Denver street names has drastically changed. Boosters and city planners, who do not understand the history of the streets or their logic, have sought to modify road monikers as has suited their interests. Typical is the story of Clancy Street.

William Clancy (also spelled Clancey) was a founding member of the Denver City Town Company. He was honored with a street, today's Tremont Place, when McGaa and Larimer teamed up to name the city's original streets. Before long, Clancy deserted Denver for the Montana gold fields. No sooner had Clancy left the area, than disputes arose over the spelling of Clancy Street which was also known as Clancey Street and then Glancy or Glency Street. In 1874, the city renamed it Tremont Place, only to have many residents interpret this to be Fremont Place, after "The Pathfinder," as John C. Frémont, who helped explore early Colorado, was known. No evidence exists why the city chose Tremont as the name to replace Clancy.

In the early 1960s, one of the city's distinctive Irish bars, Duffy's, was located on Tremont Place. On April 17, 1962, Denver had its "Second St. Patrick's Day" celebration when patrons of Duffy's marched out of the bar and around the block to atone for the fact that Denver had not had a St. Patrick's Day Parade since 1916. Out of this came the city's first modern St. Patrick's Day Parade in 1963. For some years, part of the festivities of St. Patrick's Day was renaming Tremont Place "Clancy Street." All the while, since 1957, *Rocky Mountain News* columnist Pasquale "Pocky" Marranzino had crusaded that Tremont Place should be permanently renamed Clancy Street.

Tremont Place continued to be annually transformed into Clancy Street into the mid-1980s. Then the city's former district attorney, Dale Tooley, died. He had been a key figure on the Denver political scene since the



1960s, being a three-time loser in runoff elections in his quest to become mayor. All of sudden, Clancy Street was forgotten while lower downtown interests labeled Wazee Street "Tooley Street" as the city sought to have an Irish street for St. Patrick's Day.

Then there was the travesty of Park Avenue West. One of the special diagonal streets is Park Avenue. This road runs southeast from what had been 23rd Street, where the diagonal grid meets the east-west/north-south roads of Capitol Hill at 20th Avenue and Washington Street. Originally platted in 1874, Park Avenue connects with Colfax Avenue at Franklin Street. The developers of the Park Avenue Addition to Capitol Hill intended to create numerous small triangular parks by running the diagonal roadway through the neighborhood. They hoped that such parks would make living in the Park Avenue Subdivision ever more alluring. Though Park Avenue was only slowly landscaped in the 1890s, it was a reminder of how the road was supposed to have been the park-like core of one of the most luxurious sections of early Capitol Hill.

Northwest of Park Avenue, 23rd Street had always been an arterial linking together old East Denver. It was lined with shops, row houses, warehouses, and shelters. Conspicuously lacking, particularly after a widening of the street in the mid-1930s, were trees or a park atmosphere. Despite this, in the name of transforming the street from a working-class enclave into a land speculation zone, the street was renamed Park Avenue West in 1990. The name itself was typical of the ignorance of the planners and the boosters: the road should be Park Avenue North given the definitions of east, west, north, and south in the diagonal grid. (In 1941, an unsuccessful effort was undertaken to rename Park Avenue, 23rd Street, and West 38th Avenue, "Tabor Drive," remembering Colorado's famous silver king, Horace Tabor.)

Another street name was changed in March 1993 when the four blocks of West 17th Avenue from Bryant Street to Federal Boulevard, that divide Mile High Sta-



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*Colfax A Place is a quarter block south of Colfax Avenue between Madison and Cook streets in Snell's Subdivision. Since the mid-1980s, the Denver Landmark Preservation Commission has sought to note historic districts with special street signs which do not give any specifics about why the area is a landmark district.*

dium from McNichols Arena, became Dick Connor Avenue. He was a longtime sports columnist for both the *Denver Post* and the *Rocky Mountain News*. Though he personally opposed having any street named in his honor when the idea was first mentioned while Connor was dying of cancer in 1992, Dick Connor Avenue was pushed through following his death on December 30, 1992. This seems rather presumptuous when it is remembered that internationally renowned journalists and sports writers Gene Fowler and Damon Runyon started locally, neither of whom is memorialized by a street. Indeed, Denver has never made any attempt to honor local literary figures via streets.

One person who was fascinated by the street names was historian Louisa Ward Arps. Her *Denver in Slices*, published in 1959, was a warm sketch of the city and the people and incidents which shaped it. She lived along Colfax A Place. This is a small half block just south of Colfax Avenue between Madison and Cook streets, complemented by Colfax B Place. The block between

Colfax and 14th avenues from Cook Street to Madison Street was originally laid out in 1903 by developer and builder Frank Snell as an endeavor to fit 30 houses on a block in a neighborhood where most blocks only had 20 to 24 homes. Without success, Arps long tried to get the city to rename Colfax A and B places, Ajax and Borax places. The area where these streets run was subsequently declared to be a landmark district.

Another missing name among the Denver streets is one remembering Howard C. Maloney. He remained an employee of the Denver Union Water Company after the change of the city street names was completed. He continued on the staff of the Denver Water Department when the city took over the water monopoly in 1918. Maloney was the utility's oldest employee, serving as manager of accounts and collections, when he retired at age 82 in 1947. The namer of Denver streets celebrated his 100th birthday in September 1965, still most alert and imaginative on how new streets should be named. He died shortly thereafter on December 16, 1965.

Maloney's collaborator, Charles Stoll, rose to be chief draftsman of the city, holding the post from 1901 to 1941. During that period he was considered the man who had the best working knowledge of Denver and its official records. He was badly burned when he rescued many of the early city engineering records during the city hall fire of 1901. Born in Detroit and coming to Denver in 1882, Stoll was an excellent artist and lithographer. He died at age 82 on May 9, 1942.

### Adams County Streets

At times, especially in suburban Denver, the decimal grid seems to break down as new series of streets appear which do not connect with the rest of the Maloney System. Adams County is home to some of the most imaginative street names in the metropolis. North of West 52nd Avenue and west of Tennyson Street is a set

of roads named for birds. Present are Blue Jay Way, Nightingale Drive, Peacock Way, Chickadee Way, Meadowlark Way, and Mockingbird Way. Similarly, in Federal Heights, west of Federal Boulevard and north of West 96th Avenue, are such streets as Dove, Falcon, Alder, Hawk, Canary, Wren, and Oriole.

Flowers define the roads east of Federal Boulevard and north of West 52nd Avenue where there are Primrose, Columbine, Rosemary, and Lilac lanes. The area north of West 92nd Avenue and west of Pecos Street continually reminds an individual that he is in the Holiday Hills area with such streets as Holiday View, Holiday Trail, Holiday Drive, Holiday Run, and Holiday Bend. Just south of West 92nd Avenue near Pecos Street are Pikes Peak Drive, Skyhaven Drive, Lamplighter Drive, and Valley Vista Drive.

Street names sometimes commemorate original landowners and developers of the northern suburbs. Perl-Mack was a major developer of many newer sections of Adams County in the 1950s and 1960s, especially Northglenn. Its name derived from its two principals, cousins Jordon Perlmutter and Sam Primack. The area just north of West 68th Avenue and east of Zuni Street recalls members of the family such as Jordan Drive, Samuel Drive, Avrum Drive (named for Perlmutter's father, Abe), Ruth Way for a sister of Perlmutter, and Morrison Drive for her husband. Similarly, Charolette Way, Charles Way, Louise Drive, and Ralph Lane in the Sherrelwood Estates area, south of West 84th Avenue near Pecos Street, were named after members of the Mitze family who had owned the property there.

A section of Thornton, east of Washington Street near Eppinger Boulevard, features such roads as Rowena Street, Lillian Lane, Dorothy Boulevard, and Gail Court. They were supposedly named after female relatives of Adams County officials when the plat for the area was authorized in the early 1950s. Russell Boulevard in Thornton, along with Russell Street and Russell Way, twists and turns through the town. It was named for curvaceous actress Jane Russell, who was present at the

creation of Thornton in 1953. Three of her brothers worked for F&S Construction, the "father and son" firm owned by Sam Hoffman, which created Thornton as "the city of planned progress."

While suburban streets often seemingly follow no specific pattern, they are still part of the Denver decimal grid. Popping up sporadically among Adams County streets are numbered avenues such as 84th, 88th, and 104th. Similarly, Pecos, Huron, and Washington streets give an orientation of the precise location of the roadways. The numbered avenues extend northward of 168th Avenue, the Adams-Weld county line. Roads based on Ellsworth Avenue as the zero axis can be found in northeastern Adams County where 144th and 152nd avenues run near the Adams-Washington county line.

### Street Signs

As Denver has continued to grow, an elaborate set of rules have been devised to try to maintain the logic and the convenience of the alphabets. To make it easier to find addresses, new street signs were installed, beginning in 1965, which specify, block by block, what hundred that street is on the grid. While street signs are periodically vandalized or destroyed, the current system is far advanced from what once served for street signs.

Wooden hand-lettered signs, posts, poles, and triangular pillars have all been used to identify streets. During the late 1870s, street names were emblazoned on the globes of gas lamp posts. Pranksters would change the globes around. The result was massive confusion and complaints that the lamplighters failed to place the globes on the proper streets.

Street signs were once sometimes installed on the second story of downtown buildings. Names of streets were also painted on curbs. Downtown and along Colfax Avenue and Broadway, engraved flagstone street signs were placed in the curbs. While such markers were ideally suited for a walking city, they were not well placed for motorists. Drivers often could not see the signs or would have to get out of their vehicles and clean the gutters to discover their whereabouts.

One man who refused to heed drivers' demands for better placed street signs was George Cranmer, Manager of Parks and Improvements from 1935 until 1947. Overseeing the street sign division of the city, Cranmer was accused of never adding new signs to the city. When Denver undertook a major campaign to place 5,000 new street signs around the city in 1948, it first had to spend three weeks in an intensive effort to specify the correct names of all the roads in town so the signs would be placed at the proper intersections.

Beginning in the early 1990s, the city of Denver sometimes added the city flag to street signs along major boulevards. Other communities also sought to make their street signs distinctive. In places, Commerce City, Thornton, Glendale, and other suburbs have included special logos on street signs. Edgewater commemorates the names of its early streets (another presidential system of the roads running west of Sheridan Boulevard) by posting a few ceremonial signs with the streets' original names along West 25th Avenue.

Occasionally, street signs become collector items. A few years back, the Denver Department of Public Works noted that many Corona Street signs were disappearing. The reason was the popularity of Corona Beer. In a nationally publicized move, the city offered to sell individuals Corona Street markers. Similarly, some cat lovers have desired to possess Garfield Street signs.

Compared to cities such as San Francisco, Boston, Seattle, and New York, Denver roadways are a model of clarity. Unfortunately, often their logic is ignored by those unwilling to study the city in which they live. Vulgar transformations of old East Denver to the "North" Larimer Street district and North Denver into part of "West" Denver have been all too common of occurrences among journalists, city planners, and politicians. An understanding of the Maloney System and the evolution of Denver streets not only reflects much of the city's past, but is also literally a way where an individual can find where he is going.

## Rules of Denver Streets

1. The street numbering system is a decimal grid based on Broadway and Ellsworth Avenue. Broadway is the dividing line for the east and west avenues. Ellsworth Avenue is the dividing line for north and south streets.
2. Each full block is 100 in the numbering system as counted along the east side of Broadway and the south side of Colfax Avenue.
3. It is only necessary to specify that a street is south of Ellsworth Avenue or west of Broadway. A street not having "south" in its prefix is automatically assumed to be north of Ellsworth Avenue. An avenue not having "west" in its prefix is automatically assumed to be east of Broadway.
4. Numbered avenues count up block by block north of Ellsworth Avenue from First Avenue to 168th Avenue which is the Adams-Weld county line.
5. West of Broadway and east of Colorado Boulevard, streets are in alphabetical order.
6. The intersection of the Platte River and West Colfax Avenue is point zero for the numbered streets of downtown. Numbered streets continue to 44th Street.
7. Colfax Avenue and Broadway are point zero for the numbering system of the named streets of downtown.
8. Downtown streets that run southeast toward the Capitol are said to be headed south. Those going northwest toward the Platte River are headed north. Streets headed northeast away from Cherry Creek are going east. Those going toward Cherry Creek are going west.
9. Even numbers are on the east side of streets and the south side of avenues. Odd numbers are on the west side of streets and the north side of avenues.
10. Between the full blocks of the street grid are half blocks. These are roads which do not cut completely through the grid. They are given numbers less than 100 in designating their distances from the zero axes. "Courts" are the name of half blocks that run east and west. "Places" are the name of half blocks that run north and south. "Drives" are twisting roads, generally headed east and west, which connect with an avenue. "Ways" are north-south half blocks running into a street. "Circles" refer to cul-de-sacs or roads that begin and end at a major street. "Boulevards" and "roads" are arterials.

# The Denver Street Grid

Listed are all of the full blocks on the Denver street grid, based on Broadway and Ellsworth Avenue as the zero axes. *Italicized streets do not actually exist, but are roads which are designated as part of the grid system.*

Downtown numbered streets start at First Street, the 100 block, and count up in ascending order to 44th Street with the omission of 2nd, 3rd,

4th, 41st, and 42nd streets which have been vacated; 37th Street never existed. Numbered avenues begin at First Avenue, the first avenue north of Ellsworth Avenue, and continue to 168th Avenue, the Adams-Weld county line.

Roads designated as "sw" are the east-west avenues in the southwestern metropolitan area.

## Downtown Streets from Broadway

100 Cheyenne Place  
 200 Cleveland Place  
 300 Court Place  
 400 Tremont Place  
 500 Glenarm Place  
 600 Welton Street  
 700 California Street  
 800 Stout Street  
 900 Champa Street  
 1000 Curtis Street  
 1100 Arapahoe Street  
 1200 Lawrence Street  
 1300 Larimer Street  
 1400 Market or Walnut Street  
 1500 Blake Street  
 1600 Wazee Street  
 1700 Wynkoop Street  
 1800 Wewatta Street  
 1900 Delgany Street  
 2000 Chestnut Place  
 2100 Bassett Street  
 2200 Grinnell Court

2300 Water Street  
 2400 Platte Street  
 2500 Central Street  
 2600 Boulder Street  
 2700 Erie Street

## Streets West of Broadway

100 Acoma Street  
 200 Bannock Street  
 300 Cherokee Street  
 400 Delaware State  
 500 Elati Street  
 600 Fox Street  
 700 Galapago Street  
 800 Huron Street  
 900 Inca Street  
 1000 Santa Fe Drive, Jason Street  
 1100 Kalamath Street  
 1200 Lipan Street  
 1300 Mariposa Street  
 1400 Navajo Street  
 1500 Osage Street  
 1600 Pecos Street

1700 Quivas Street  
 1800 Raritan Street  
 1900 Shoshone Street  
 2000 Tejon Street  
 2100 Umatilla Street  
 2200 Vallejo Street  
 2300 Wyandot Street  
 2325 Xınca Court  
 2350 Yuma Street  
 2400 Zuni Street  
 2500 Alcott Street  
 2600 Bryant Street  
 2700 Clay Street  
 2800 Decatur Street  
 2900 Eliot Street  
 3000 Federal Boulevard  
 3100 Grove Street  
 3200 Hooker Street  
 3300 Irving Street  
 3400 Julian Street  
 3500 King Street  
 3600 Lowell Boulevard  
 3700 Meade Street

3800 Newton Street  
 3900 Osceola Street  
 4000 Perry Street  
 4100 Quitman Street  
 4200 Raleigh Street  
 4300 Stuart Street  
 4400 Tennyson Street  
 4500 Utica Street  
 4600 Vrain Street  
 4700 Winona Court  
 4800 Wolff Street  
 4900 Xavier Street  
 5000 Yates Street  
 5100 Zenobia Street  
 5200 Sheridan Boulevard  
 5300 Ames Street  
 5400 Benton Street  
 5500 Chase Street  
 5600 Depew Street  
 5700 Eaton Street  
 5800 Fenton Street  
 5900 Gray Street  
 6000 Harlan Street

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6100	Ingalls Street	10300	Lewis Street	14500	Gladiola Street	18700	Bross Street
6200	Jay Street	10400	Miller Street	14600	Holman Street	18800	Crestone Street
6300	Kendall Street	10500	Moore Street	14700	Howell Street	18900	Culebra Street
6400	Lamar Street	10600	Nelson Street	14800	Indiana Street	19000	Devils Head Street
6500	Marshall Street	10700	Newcombe Street	14900	Isabell Street	19100	Dunraven Street
6600	Newland Street	10800	Oak Street	15000	Joyce Street	19200	<i>El Diente Street</i>
6700	Otis Street	10900	Owens Street	15100	Juniper Street	19300	<i>Eldora Street</i>
6800	Pierce Street	11000	Parfet Street	15200	Kendrick Street	19400	<i>Flagstaff Street</i>
6900	Quay Street	11100	Pierson Street	15300	Kilmer Street	19500	<i>Flattop Street</i>
7000	Reed Street	11200	Quail Street	15400	Loveland Street	19600	<i>Gore Street</i>
7100	Saulsbury Street	11300	Queen Street	15500	Lupine Street	19700	<i>Garnett Street</i>
7200	Teller Street	11400	Robb Street	15600	McIntyre Street	19800	<i>Hallett Street</i>
7300	Upham Street	11500	Rouff Street	15700	Moss Street	19900	<i>Handies Street</i>
7400	Vance Street	11600	Simms Street	15800	Nile Street	20000	<i>Ingram Street</i>
7500	Webster Street	11700	Swadley Street	15900	Norse Street	20100	<i>Iron Mountain Street</i>
7600	Wadsworth Boulevard	11800	Tabor Street	16000	Orchard Street	20200	<i>Jagerhorn Street</i>
7700	Yukon Street	11900	Taft Street	16100	Orion Street	20300	<i>Jagged Mountain Street</i>
7800	Yarrow Street	12000	Union Street	16200	Pike Street	20400	<i>Kebler Street</i>
7900	Zephyr Street	12100	Urban Street	16300	Poppy Street	20500	<i>Kenosha Street</i>
8000	Allison Street	12200	Van Gordon Street	16400	Quaker Street	20600	<i>La Plata Street</i>
8100	Ammons Street	12300	Vivian Street	16500	Quartz Street	20700	<i>Liberty Cap Street</i>
8200	Balsam Street	12400	Ward Road, Welch Street	16600	Rogers Street	20800	<i>Massive Street</i>
8300	Brentwood Street	12500	Wright Street	16700	Russell Street	20900	<i>Matterhorn Street</i>
8400	Carr Street	12600	Xenon Street	16800	Salvia Street	21000	<i>Nadelhorn Street</i>
8500	Cody Street	12700	Xenophon Street	16900	Secrest Street	21100	<i>Neversummer Street</i>
8600	Dover Street	12800	Youngfield Street	17000	Terry Street	21200	<i>Olympus Street</i>
8700	Dudley Street	12900	Yank Street	17100	Torrey Street	21300	<i>Ophir Street</i>
8800	Estes Street	13000	Zang Street	17200	Ulysses Street	21400	<i>Powderhorn Street</i>
8900	Everett Street	13100	Zinnia Street	17300	Utah Street	21500	<i>Pyramid Street</i>
9000	Field Street	13200	Alkire Street	17400	Violet Street	21600	<i>Quandary Street</i>
9100	Flower Street	13300	Arbutus Street	17500	Virgil Street	21700	<i>Quicksand Street</i>
9200	Garrison Street	13400	Beech Street	17600	Weir Street	21800	<i>Redcloud Street</i>
9300	Garland Street	13500	Braun Street	17700	West Street	21900	<i>Redstone Street</i>
9400	Holland Street	13600	Cole Street	17800	Xebec Street	22000	<i>Sneffels Street</i>
9500	Hoyt Street	13700	Coors Street	17900	Xylon Street	22100	<i>Snowmass Street</i>
9600	Independence Street	13800	Deframe Street	18000	Yankee Street	22200	<i>Tarryall Street</i>
9700	Iris Street	13900	Devinney Street	18100	Yucca Street	22300	<i>Trinchera Street</i>
9800	Jellison Street	14000	Eldridge Street	18200	Zeta Street	22400	<i>Ula Street</i>
9900	Johnson Street	14100	Ellis Street	18300	Zircon Street	22500	<i>Uncompahgre Street</i>
10000	Kipling Street	14200	Fig Street	18400	Antero Street	22600	<i>Vail Street</i>
10100	Kline Street	14300	Flora Street	18500	Anvil Street	22700	<i>Vallecito Street</i>
10200	Lee Street	14400	Gardenia Street	18600	Blanca Street	22800	<i>Wetterhorn Street</i>

22900 *Windon Street*  
 23000 *Yellow Mountain Street*  
 23100 *Ypsilon Street*  
 23200 *Zirkle Street*  
 23300 *Zumwalts Street*

**South of Ellsworth Avenue**

050 Archer Place  
 100 Bayaud Avenue  
 150 Maple Avenue  
 200 Cedar Avenue  
 250 Byers Place  
 300 Alameda Avenue  
 350 Nevada Place  
 400 Dakota Avenue  
 450 Alaska Place  
 500 Virginia Avenue  
 600 Center Avenue  
 700 Exposition Avenue  
 800 Ohio Avenue  
 900 Kentucky Avenue  
 1000 Tennessee Avenue  
 1100 Mississippi Avenue  
 1200 Arizona Avenue  
 1300 Louisiana Avenue  
 1400 Arkansas Avenue  
 1500 Florida Avenue  
 1600 Iowa Avenue  
 1700 Mexico Avenue  
 1800 Colorado Avenue  
 1900 Jewell Avenue  
 2000 Asbury Avenue  
 2100 Evans Avenue  
 2200 Warren Avenue  
 2300 Iliff Avenue  
 2400 Wesley Avenue  
 2500 Harvard Avenue  
 2600 Vassar Avenue  
 2700 Yale Avenue  
 2800 Amherst Avenue  
 2900 Bates Avenue  
 3000 Cornell Avenue

3100 Dartmouth Avenue  
 3200 Eastman Avenue  
 3300 Floyd Avenue  
 3400 Girard Avenue  
 3500 Hampden Avenue  
 3550 Ithaca Avenue  
 3600 Jefferson Avenue  
 3700 Kenyon Avenue  
 3800 Lehigh Avenue  
 3900 Mansfield Avenue  
 4000 Nassau Avenue  
 4100 Oxford Avenue  
 4200 Princeton Avenue  
 4300 Quincy Avenue  
 4400 Radcliff Avenue  
 4500 Stanford Avenue  
 4600 Tuffs Avenue  
 4700 Union Avenue  
 4800 Layton Avenue  
 4900 Chenango Avenue  
 5000 Grand Avenue  
 5100 Belleview Avenue  
 5200 Progress Avenue  
 5300 Prentice Avenue  
 5400 Crestline Avenue  
 5500 Berry Avenue  
 5600 Powers Avenue  
 5700 Dorado Avenue  
     Littleton Boulevard  
     Main Street  
 5800 Ida Avenue  
 5900 Orchard Road  
     Bowles Avenue—sw  
 6000 Lake Avenue  
 6100 Maplewood Avenue  
 6200 Fair Avenue  
 6300 Caley Avenue  
 6400 Weaver Avenue  
 6500 Peakview Avenue  
 6600 Euclid Avenue  
 6700 Arapahoe Road  
     Coal Mine Road—sw

**The Street Grid**

6800 Briarwood Avenue  
     Ontario Avenue—sw  
 6900 Costilla Avenue  
     Plymouth Avenue—sw  
 7000 Davies Avenue  
     Quarles Avenue—sw  
 7100 Easter Avenue  
     Rowland Avenue—sw  
 7200 Fremont Avenue  
 7300 Geddes Avenue  
 7400 Hinsdale Avenue  
 7500 Dry Creek Road  
     Ken Caryl Road-sw  
 7600 Jamison Avenue  
     Moraine Avenue—sw  
 7700 Kettle Avenue  
     Fairview Avenue—sw  
 7800 Long Avenue  
     Canyon Avenue—sw  
 7900 Mineral Avenue  
     Elmhurst Avenue—sw  
 8000 Nichols Avenue  
 8100 Otero Avenue  
     Clifton Avenue—sw  
 8200 Phillips Avenue  
 8300 County Line Road  
     Chatfield Avenue—sw  
 8400 *Remington Avenue*  
     Kingsley Avenue—sw  
 8500 *San Juan Avenue*  
     Payne Avenue—sw  
 8600 Teton Avenue  
 8700 Ute Avenue  
 8800 *Vandeventer Avenue*  
 8900 *Weld Avenue*  
 9000 *Xapapa Avenue*  
 9100 *Yancey Avenue*  
 9200 *Zebulon Avenue*  
 9300 *Athens Avenue*  
 9400 *Baden Avenue*  
 9500 *Cambridge Avenue*  
 9600 *Danzig Avenue*

9700 *Eden Avenue*  
 9800 *Finland Avenue*  
 9900 *Green Acres Avenue*  
     Lincoln Avenue  
 10000 *Hamburg Avenue*

**East of Broadway**

100 Lincoln Street  
 200 Sherman Street  
 300 Grant Street  
 400 Logan Street  
 500 Pennsylvania Street  
 600 Pearl Street  
 700 Washington Street  
 800 Clarkson Street  
 900 Emerson Street  
 1000 Ogden Street  
 1100 Corona Street  
 1200 Downing Street  
 1300 Marion Street  
 1400 Lafayette Street  
 1500 Humboldt Street  
 1600 Franklin Street  
 1700 Gilpin Street  
 1800 Williams Street  
 1900 High Street  
 2000 Race Street  
 2100 Vine Street  
 2200 Gaylord Street  
 2300 York Street  
 2350 University Boulevard  
 2400 Josephine Street  
 2500 Columbine Street  
 2600 Elizabeth Street  
 2700 Clayton Street  
 2800 Detroit Street  
 2900 Fillmore Street  
 3000 Milwaukee Street  
 3100 Saint Paul Street  
 3200 Steele Street  
 3300 Adams Street  
 3400 Cook Street

**DENVER STREETS**

3500 Madison Street	7700 Syracuse Street	11900 Oswego Street	16000 Kittredge Street
3600 Monroe Street	7800 Spruce Street	12000 Paris Street	16100 Laredo Street
3700 Garfield Street	7900 Trenton Street	12100 Peoria Street	16200 Lewiston Street
3800 Jackson Street	8000 Tamarac Street	12200 Quari Street	16300 Memphis Street
3900 Harrison Street	8100 Ulster Street	12300 Quentin Street	16400 Mobile Street
4000 Colorado Boulevard	8200 Uinta Street	12400 Racine Street	16500 Norfolk Street
4100 Albion Street	8300 Valentia Street	12500 Revere Street	16600 Nucla Street
4200 Ash Street	8400 Verbena Street	12600 Salem Street	16700 Olathe Street
4300 Bellaire Street	8500 Wabash Street	12700 Scranton Street	16800 Ouray Street
4400 Birch Street	8600 Willow Street	12800 Troy Street	16900 Buckley Road
4500 Clermont Street	8700 Xanthia Street	12900 Tucson Street	17000 Pagosa Street
4600 Cherry Street	8800 Xenia Street	13000 Ursula Street	17100 Pitkin Street
4700 Dexter Street	8900 Yosemite Street	13100 Uvalda Street	17200 Quintero Street
4800 Dahlia Street	9000 Akron Street	13200 Vaughn Street	17300 Richfield Street
4900 Eudora Street	9100 Alton Street	13300 Victor Street	17400 Rifle Street
5000 Elm Street	9200 Beeler Street	13400 Wheeling Street	17500 Salida Street
5100 Fairfax Street	9300 Boston Street	13500 Worcester Street	17600 Sedalia Street
5200 Forest Street	9400 Chester Street	13600 Xanadu Street	17700 Telluride Street
5300 Glencoe Street	9500 Clinton Street	13700 Xapary Street, Potomac Street	17800 Truckee Street
5400 Grape Street	9600 Dallas Street	13800 Yost Street, Abilene Street	17900 Uravan Street
5500 Hudson Street	9700 Dayton Street	13900 Yuba Street, Atchison Street	18000 Ventura Street
5600 Holly Street	9800 Emporia Street	14000 Zion Street, Billings Street	18100 Waco Street
5700 Ivanhoe Street	9900 Elmira Street	14100 Blackhawk Street	18200 Walden Street
5800 Ivy Street	10000 Florence Street	14200 Carson Street	18300 Yampa Street
5900 Jersey Street	10100 Fulton Street	14300 Crystal Street	18400 Zeno Street
6000 Jasmine Street	10200 Galena Street	14400 Dillon Street	18500 Tower Road
6100 Kearney Street	10300 Geneva Street	14500 Sable Boulevard	18600 Andes Street
6200 Krameria Street	10400 Hanover Street	14600 Dearborn Street	18700 Argonne Street
6300 Leyden Street	10500 Havana Street	14700 Eagle Street	18800 Bahama Street
6400 Locust Street	10600 Iola Street	14800 Elkhart Street	18900 Biscay Street
6500 Monaco Street Parkway	10700 Ironton Street	14900 Altura Boulevard	19000 Cathay Street
6600 Magnolia Street	10800 Jamaica Street	Evanston Street	19100 Ceylon Street
6700 Niagara Street	10900 Joliet Street	15000 Fairplay Street	19200 Danube Street
6800 Newport Street	11000 Kenton Street	15100 Fraser Street	19300 Dunkirk Street
6900 Oneida Street	11100 Kingston Street	15200 Granby Street	19400 Ensenada Street
7000 Olive Street	11200 Lansing Street	15300 Chambers Road	19500 Espana Street
7100 Pontiac Street	11300 Lima Street	15400 Hannibal Street	19600 Flanders Street
7200 Poplar Street	11400 Macon Street	15500 Helena Street	19700 Fundy Street
7300 Quebec Street	11500 Moline Street	15600 Idalia Street	19800 Genoa Street
7400 Quince Street	11600 Newark Street	15700 Jasper Street	19900 Gibraltar Street
7500 Roslyn Street	11700 Nome Street	15800 Joplin Street	20000 Halifax Street
7600 Rosemary Street	11800 Oakland Street	15900 Kalispell Street	20100 Himalaya Road

## The Street Grid

20200	Iran Street	24400	Flatrock Street	28600	Carrie Street	32500	Vanderbilt Street
20300	Ireland Street	24500	Fultondale Street	28700	Clubview Street		Denver Street in Watkins
20400	Jebel Street	24600	Gold Bug Street	28800	Deer Park Street	32600	Vindicator Street
20500	Jericho Street	24700	Grandbay or Grand Baker Street	28900	Del Ray Street		Elgin Street in Watkins
20600	Killarney Street	24800	Haleyville Street	29000	Electra Street	32700	Warrior Street
20700	Kirk Street	24900	Harvest Mile Road	29100	Emmett Street		Hamilton Street in Watkins
20800	Libson Street	25000	Ider Street	29200	Finley Street	32800	Wimbleton Street
20900	Liverpool Street	25100	Irvington Street	29300	Flat Broke or Flat Brook Street	32900	Watkins Mile Road
21000	Malaya Street	25200	Jackson Gap Street	29400	Gadsden Street		Lessic Street in Watkins
21100	Malta Street	25300	Jamestown Street	29500	Gaucha Street	33000	Aubrey Street
21200	Nepal Street	25400	Kellerman Street	29600	Great Rock Street	33100	Buckville Street
21300	Netherland Street	25500	Kewaunee Street	29700	Hayesmount Mile Road	33200	Black Oak Street
21400	Odessa Street	25600	Langdale Street	29800	Hardwick Street	33300	Clifty Street
21500	Orleans Street	25700	Little River Street	29900	Indian Hill Street	33400	Cushman Street
21600	Perth Street	25800	Millbrook Street	30000	Iredell Street	33500	Dollarway Street
21700	Picadilly Road	25900	Muscadine Street	30100	Jaina or Jalna Street	33600	Drasco Street
21800	Quatar Street	26000	Newbern or New Born Street	30200	Joppa Street	33700	Eclectic Street
21900	Quemoy or Quency Street	26100	New Castle Street	30300	Kenosha or Kendshaw Street	33800	Eclipse Street
22000	Riviera Street	26200	Oak Hill Street	30400	Kenuil Street	33900	Fabius Street
22100	Rome Street	26300	Old Hammer Street	30500	Lanewood Street	34000	Fountain Hill Street
22200	Shawnee Street	26400	Patsburg Street	30600	Lindark Street	34100	Grubbs Street
22300	Sicily Street	26500	Powhaton Road	30700	Maywood Street	34200	Gentry Street
22400	Temple or Tempe Street	26600	Quantock Street	30800	Meadow Woods Street	34300	Hanover Street
22500	Tibet Street	26700	Queensburg Street	30900	Nest Egg Street	34400	Haskell Street
22600	Ukraine Street	26800	Riverwood Street	31000	North Ridge Street	34500	Imboden Mile Road
22700	Valdai Street	26900	Robertsdale Street	31100	Old Brook Street	34600	Inyokern Street
22800	Versailles Street	27000	Scottsburg Street	31200	Overton Street	34700	Junction City Street
22900	Wenatchee Street	27100	Shady Grove Street	31300	Hudson Mile Road	34800	Jessiebell Street
23000	Winnipeg Street	27200	Titus Street	31400	Pulaski Street	34900	Kio Street
23100	Yakima Street	27300	Trussville Street	31500	Queensview Street	35000	Kirby Street
23200	Zante Street	27400	Undergrove Street	31600	Quinhahak Street	35100	Lavaca Street
23300	Gun Club Road	27500	Union or Uriah Street	31700	Rayburn Street	35200	Lead Hill Street
23400	Addish Street	27600	Valleyhead Street	31800	Red Lane Street	35300	Marked Tree Street
23500	Algonquin Street	27700	Vandriver Street	31900	Shadow Wood Street	35400	Matchless Street
23600	Biloxi Street	27800	Waterloo Street	32000	Strollaway Street	35500	Nashville Street
23700	Buchanan Street	27900	White Crow Street	32100	Tree Haven Street	35600	Norphet Street
23800	Catawba Street	28000	Yantley Street	32200	Timber Cover Street	35700	Ageman Street
23900	Coolidge or Coolridge Street	28100	Menaghan Mile Road		Gilmore Street in Watkins	35800	Almstead Street
24000	De Gaulle Street	28200	Allium Street	32300	Uriah Street	35900	Perrytown Street
24100	Dequesne Street	28300	Amory Street		Clay Street in Watkins	36000	Pindall Street
24200	Eaton Park or Eden Park Street	28400	Bently Street	32400	Umpire Street	36100	Quail Run Mile Road
24300	Elk Street	28500	Bersshine Street		Anderson Street in Watkins		



## Today's Streets

**L**ISTED ARE THE named streets on the Denver grid system, along with other arterials, diagonal roads, and boulevards with colorful and interesting monikers and histories. Each full block is defined as 100 in the numbering system from point zero at Ellsworth Avenue and Broadway. A road referred to as the 12100 east block (Peoria Street) is 121 blocks east of Broadway. (The number of a north-south street in Littleton reflects the road's distance from South Broadway along Littleton Boulevard or Main Street.)

Previous names of the roads are given. When a street had the same designation south of Ellsworth Avenue or west of Broadway as it did to the north or the east of those dividing points, the prior name is only listed in the east or north section. South Gallup Avenue, in other words, is considered to be the southern extension of Gallup Avenue, today's Zuni Street.

Often road names changed. A street frequently had different designations in the same area. Steele Street north of 26th Avenue, for example, was known at various times as Walnut Street, Jennie Street, Cedar Street,

and Allen Avenue. Hence the list of previous names might denote a certain road as having run between Colfax and 17th avenues, while another road is there listed as having been north of Colfax Avenue. Since road names and designations were altered continuously in the 19th century, it is often impossible to pinpoint the precise limits of a street; that is, when a road is cited as having been "near Federal Boulevard," it simply indicates that this was an appellation of the avenue close to that arterial. The most liberal definitions have been used in trying to define exactly where yesterday's streets ran.

Similarly, sometimes roads have been vacated or areas replatted. There was once, for example, a street grid east of South Monaco Parkway and south of Hampden Avenue in what is today the Southmoor area—a neighborhood with twisting streets. When a road such as South Niagara Street is listed as having been "Sheridan Avenue south of Mansfield Avenue," this indicates what the proposed contours of that street were supposed to have been. For more information about the past names and locations of contemporary streets, see the section, "Yesterday's Streets."

**Aberdeen Avenue:** 6000 south block in Littleton.

Previously: Vermont Street between the railroad tracks and the Platte River; Evergreen Esplanade.

**Aberdeen Street:** 400 west block in Littleton, from West Aberdeen Avenue to Caley Circle.

**Abilene Street:** 13800 east block. Located about a mile east of Peoria Street, Abilene Street begins a double alphabet where roads are often named for western and Colorado cities. Named for Abilene, Kansas.

**Acoma Street:** 100 west block. "A" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. The Acoma Indians are a New Mexican Pueblo tribe whose name means "people of the white rock." Previously: Dailey Street south of

Cherry Creek; South 15th Street south of Colfax Avenue which was South F Street until 1873; Olive Street; Weston Street in Argo; Sprague Street between West 48th and West 52nd avenues. **South Acoma Street:** Fremont Street; Barclay Street north of West Louisiana Avenue.

**Ada Place:** 850 south block. **West Ada Place:** Georgia Avenue; Lexington Place; Alys Place.

**Adams Street:** 3300 east block. Named for President John Adams. Previously: Glover Street south of 6th Avenue; Adams Place between Colfax and 17th avenues; Locust Street north of 26th Avenue; Park or North Park Street between 26th and 38th avenues;

Melon Street between 38th and 39th avenues; Chestnut Street between 39th and 46th avenues; 10th Street between 52nd and 54th avenues and in Swansea where it was later 9th Street before becoming Lemon Street in 1887. **South Adams Street:** Royal Avenue between Mississippi and Jewell avenues; Fitton Avenue between Mississippi and Florida avenues; 11th Street between Jewell and Iliff avenues; Advocate Street between Iliff and Yale avenues.

**Addish Street:** 23400 east block, first "A" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.

**Adriatic Place:** 2150 south block, in the series of half blocks named for seas between Jewell and Wesley

- avenues. **West Adriatic Place:** 7th Street in Breenlow Park.
- Airlawn Road:** Created in 1961, it runs southeast from approximately the 7000 block of Stapleton Drive South to 41st Avenue at Quebec Street.
- Airport Boulevard:** See Peña Boulevard.
- Akron Street:** 9000 east block. First "A" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Akron, Ohio. Previously: Stedman Street north of Colfax Avenue; Elmwood Street south of Colfax Avenue.
- Alabama Place:** 1250 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue.
- Alameda Avenue:** 300 south block. Named by William Newton Byers from the Spanish term for "avenue lined by trees." Previously: John Street east of South Downing Street.
- Alamo Place:** 5750 south block. **West Alamo Place:** Kassler Street. **West Alamo Avenue:** 5750 south block in central Littleton. Previously: Malinda Street; Valore Street. **West Alamo Drive:** Heard Place.
- Alaska Place:** 450 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue. **West Alaska Place:** Fairfax Avenue west of South Stuart Street.
- Albion Street:** 4100 east block. First "A" street in the places, people, and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Albion is an ancient title for England. The road could have been named for Albion K. Vickery, the Denver clerk and recorder at the time of the 1904 change of street names, who was later city engineer. Previously: Arizona Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Ladbroke Street between 6th and 8th avenues; Denver Street from Colfax Avenue to Montview Boulevard; Erica Street from Montview Boulevard to 26th Avenue; Hawthorne Street between 26th and 32nd avenues; Root Street between 32nd and 35th avenues; Seward Avenue or Street north of the UP tracks. **South Albion Street:** Summit Street between Arizona and Arkansas avenues; Sopris Street or Place between Florida and Jewell avenues; Long Avenue between Jewell and Yale avenues; Edgar Street south of Dartmouth Street.
- Albrook Drive:** Runs in Montbello from 47th Avenue and Peoria Street to 44th Avenue near Dillon Street.
- Alcott Street:** 2500 west block. First street in the great Americans alphabet west of Zuni Street. Named for children's author Louisa May Alcott. Previously: 2nd Street south of West 44th Avenue; 1st Street north of West 44th Avenue; Myrtle Street between West 2nd and West 7th avenues; Stewart Street between West 13th and West 17th avenues; Hunter Street. **South Alcott Street:** Walnut Street; Vinson Avenue south of West Florida Avenue.
- Algonquin Street:** 23500 east block. Second "A" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road. Algonquin Indians refer to a number of tribes inhabiting the region along the Ottawa River speaking an Algonquian language. The name possibly means "at the place of spearing fish."
- Alice Place:** 4650 north block, between Jason and Pecos streets and from Lowell Boulevard to Osceola Street. Named for Alice Nellie Richardson Deardorf, whose father owned the land near Lowell Boulevard and this street.
- Alkire Street:** 13200 west block. First "A" street in the double alphabet west of Zinnia Street where road names sometimes recall Jefferson County pioneers. John Alkire owned land north of West Colfax Avenue, west of Pierce Street. Previously: Kevelin Hill Road from West 72nd Circle to West 80th Avenue.
- Allison Street:** 8000 west block. First "A" street in the double alphabet west of Zephyr Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. Allison Street was previously the 7700 west block in an alphabetical series of streets honoring politicians. It might have been named for William Boyd Allison, who represented Iowa in the United States Senate from 1873 to 1908, or it could commemorate an Allison family, early settlers whose ranch was south of Standley Lake. Previously: Brown Avenue near West Colfax Avenue; Dudley Street; Avalon Avenue south of Grandview Avenue; Leclair Street from Grandview Avenue to Ralston Road; West 4th or 4th Street in Arvada.
- Alton Street:** 9100 east block. Second "A" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Alton, Illinois. Previously: Kellogg Street north of Colfax Avenue; Putnam Street south of Colfax Avenue. **South Alton Way:** South Clinton Circle.
- Altura Boulevard or Street:** 14900 east block, north of Colfax Avenue. This is an old quarter section line, near where the Altura family had its farm.
- Alys Place:** First road south of West Ohio Avenue, between South Lipan and South Osage streets.
- Ames Street:** 5300 west block. "A" street in the Senator and Supreme Court Justice alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. Adelbert Ames represented Mississippi in the Senate from 1870 to 1874. Previously: Reid Street between West 13th and West Colfax avenues; Adams or A Street in Edgewater; Fulton Avenue north of West 26th Avenue; 1st Street or Allita Avenue in Berkeley Annex; Cheney Avenue between West 1st and West Bayaud avenues. **South Ames Street:** Lansing Avenue.
- Amherst Avenue:** 2800 south block. "A" street, named for Amherst College, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Previously: Princeton Avenue; Hawthorn or Hawthorne Street; Fisk Avenue east of Downing Street; Yale Avenue east of the University Hills Shopping Center. **West Amherst Avenue:** Jennett Place in Englewood.
- Ammons Street:** 8100 west block. Second "A" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names sometimes recall Colorado governors. Elias Ammons (1913-15), and his son, Teller (1937-39), both served as governor. Previously: Everett Street; Harris Avenue or Street south of West Colfax Avenue; West 5th or 5th Street in Arvada.
- Andes Street:** 18600 east block. Begins an exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the South American mountains. Previously: Vale Street.
- Andrews Drive:** Runs from 49th Avenue and Peoria Street to about the 4500 block of Chambers Road. Named for Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland.
- Annie Place:** 1650 north block, from Yates Street to Sheridan Boulevard. Named for Annie Brinkhaus,

whose husband owned the land when the street became a public road in 1895.

**Antero Street:** 18400 west block. First "A" street in the mountain double alphabet west of Zircon Street. Antero Peak in Chaffee County honors a leader of the Uinta Indians.

**Anvil Street:** 18500 west block. Second "A" street in the mountain double alphabet west of Zircon Street. Anvil Mountain is in San Juan County.

**Aqueduct Avenue:** One block north of West Berry Avenue, sporadically west of South Irving Street. It is located directly west of the old Centennial Turf Club where the streets are named for famous racetracks.

**Arapahoe Road:** 6700 south block. Road 10 miles south of Colfax Avenue, the street is the beginning of an alphabet where the avenues are sometimes named for Colorado counties. Arapahoe County was originally established in 1855 as the western section of the Kansas Territory, the home of the Arapahoe Indians. Previously: Arapahoe Avenue; Nobles Road. **West Arapahoe Road:** Meadowbrook Road. **Arapahoe Place:** 6750 south block. Previously: Norwalk Avenue. **West Arapahoe Drive:** Conifer Street.

**Arapahoe Street:** 1100 block downtown. The Arapahoe Indians lived in eastern Colorado at the time of the Pikes Peak gold rush in 1858. The tribe, often spelled Arapaho, called itself *Inunaina*, "our people." Arapahoe derives from the Pawnee *larapihu* or *tirapihu*, meaning "traders."

**Arbor Avenue:** 6250 south block in Littleton. Previously: Oak Street. **Arbor Place:** 6275 south block in Littleton. Previously: Orange Street.

**Arbutus Street:** 13300 west block. Second "A" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names often denote trees.

**Archer Place:** 050 south block. James Archer, the founder of the first Denver gasworks and water company, had a real estate subdivision along this road from South Cherokee Street to the Platte River. **West Archer Place:** Agricultural Place from South Broadway to South Elati Street; Pennsylvania or Penn Place or Avenue west of the Platte River.

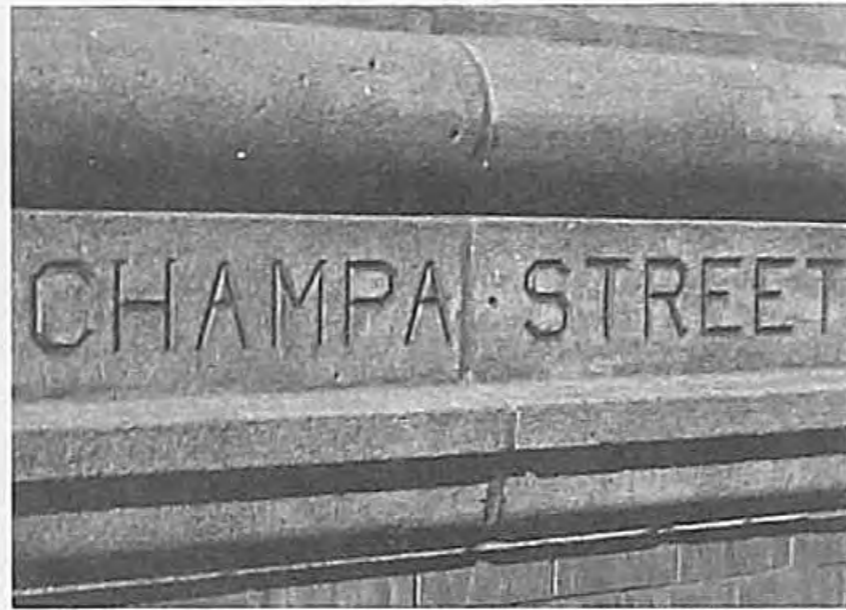


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*Street names were sometimes engraved in the sides of buildings. Such was the case at the Denver Auditorium at 14th and Champa streets.*

**Argonne Street:** 18700 east block. Second "A" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the region in France. Previously: Pike Street.

**Argyle Place:** 3150 north block, between Zuni and Clay streets, in Scottish Village.

**Arizona Avenue:** 1200 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue. Previously: Alabama Avenue or Street. **West Arizona Avenue:** Mecia Street from South Broadway to the Platte River; Gray Street from the Platte River to South Federal Boulevard; Michigan Street west of South Federal Boulevard.

**Arkansas Avenue:** 1400 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue. **West Arkansas Avenue:** Agnes Street from the Platte River to South Federal Boulevard; Keener Street west of South Federal Boulevard.

**Arkins Court:** Approximately the 1950 block downtown, along the east side of the Platte River from Denargo Road to the Coliseum. John Arkins was a 19th-century Denver newspaper editor and owner. Previously: Arkins Avenue; East Arkins Court; Lake Street; Evans Street near 38th Street; Cherry Grove Street.

**Arlington Avenue:** Road four blocks south of West Belleview Avenue, sporadically west of South Irving Street. It is located directly west of the old Centennial Turf Club where the streets are named for famous racetracks.

**Asbury Avenue:** 2000 south block. Runs near DU where roads sometimes honor dignitaries of the Methodist Church to note that Methodists helped establish the college. Francis Asbury was the first Methodist bishop of North America. Previously: Leland Avenue west of South Clarkson Street; Simpson Street from South Colorado Boulevard to South Dahlia Street; Pacific Avenue between South Fairfax and South Holly streets. **West Asbury Avenue:** Massachusetts Avenue west of South Pecos Street.

**Ash Street:** 4200 east block. Second "A" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Previously: New Mexico Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Brixton Street between 6th and 8th avenues; Paloma Street from Montview Boulevard to 26th Avenue; Leo Street between 26th and 32nd avenues; Mary Street between 32nd and 35th avenues; Brooke Avenue or Street north of the UP tracks. **South Ash Street:** Coronado Street between Mexico and Jewell avenues; Chamberlin Avenue between Jewell and Yale avenues; Hoffman Street south of Dartmouth Avenue.

**Atchison Street:** 13900 east block. Second "A" street in the western city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Named for the town in Kansas.

**Atlantic Place:** 1950 south block, in the series of half blocks named for seas between Jewell and Wesley avenues. **West Atlantic Place:** 5th Street in Breenlow Park.

**Auraria Parkway:** 1600 block downtown, between Cherry Creek and the Walnut Street Viaduct. This speedway was so designated in 1989 on what had been Wazee Street in Auraria. Auraria was once a separate city from Denver. It was named for the town of Auraria, Georgia, in the expectation that it would be a city of gold—*aura* is Latin for gold. Previously: 3rd Street.

**Avondale Drive:** A semi-circular road running from West Howard Place at Irving Street to near Federal Boulevard at West 14th Avenue. The street goes through the Avondale neighborhood. Avondale was named for William Shakespeare's home, Stratford-on-Avon. The road was laid out in 1963 as part of the city's first official urban renewal project.

**Bahama Street:** 18800 east block. First "B" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the islands. Previously: Mills Street.

**Bails Place:** 1850 south block.

**Baker Place:** 2450 south block. Along with **Baker Avenue**, a half block between Wesley and Harvard avenues. **West Baker Place:** 10th Street in Breenlow Park—later Dover Street.

**Baldwin Court:** 1650 east block, north of 46th Avenue. It might have been named for turn-of-the-century stuntman Ivy Baldwin, or for Lucky Baldwin, a famous 19th-century gambler.

**Balsam Street:** 8200 west block. First "B" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names sometimes denote flora. Previously: Fessenden Street; VFW Road near West 10th Avenue; West 6th or 6th Street in Arvada. **South Balsam Street:** Elsmar Lane near West Alameda Avenue.

**Baltic Place:** 2250 south block, in the series of half blocks named for seas between Jewell and Wesley avenues. **West Baltic Place:** 8th Street in Breenlow Park.

**Bannock Street:** 200 west block. "B" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. The Bannock Indians are a branch of the Shoshone in Idaho and western Wyoming. The name possibly means "honey eaters." Previously: South 14th Street south of West Colfax Avenue which was South E Street until 1873; Southerland Street south of Cherry Creek; Orange Street between West 48th and West 52nd avenues

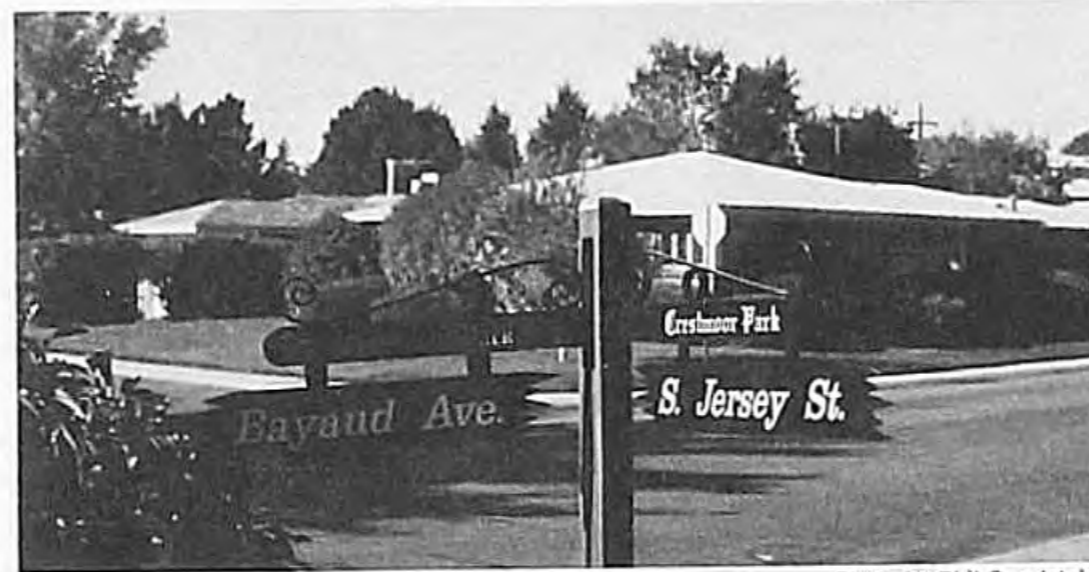


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*Some neighborhoods feature private, decorative road markers such as Crestmoor Park, east of Holly Street and south of 6th Avenue.*

which became Calvert Street in 1897. **South Bannock Street:** Idaho Street between West Ellsworth and West Exposition avenues; Richmond Street between West Mississippi and West Louisiana avenues; Hamlin Street between West Mississippi and West Yale avenues.

**Baranmor Parkway:** Runs east from 32nd Avenue and Peoria Street to I-225.

**Barberry Place:** 850 north block. Road parallel to Mulberry Place, named by Lydia J. Milleson. **West Barberry Place:** Susie Place west of the Platte River.

**Barnett Court:** 2475 north block, between Raleigh and Stuart streets.

**Bassett Street:** 2100 block downtown. P. T. Bassett was the recorder of the Denver Town Company. The road shows up on some early maps as Basset Street. Previously: Lake Street southwest of 38th Street.

**Batavia Place:** 1650 north block, east of Colorado Boulevard. Named by Walter von Richthofen for the capital of Java. Previously: 2nd Street or Court or Vine Court from Colorado Boulevard to Dahlia Street.

**Bates Avenue:** 2900 south block. "B" street, named for Bates College in Lewiston, Maine, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Previously: Cornell Avenue; Hannum Avenue; Paul Street; Busby Avenue.

**Bayaud Avenue:** 100 south block. The estate of Thomas Bayaud, an early Denver contractor, was located south of this road west of South Cherokee Street. Previously: Frederick Street east of South Clarkson Street; 1st Avenue South east of South Steele Street; Webster Street. **West Bayaud Avenue:** Breece Avenue east of South Federal Boulevard; South Denver Street; Carey Street in Barnum; Bruce Avenue; Omaha Street west of South Sheridan Boulevard.

**Beach Court:** 2550 west block. Extra "B" street in the alphabet west of Zuni Street. Previously: 2nd Street north of West 44th Avenue.

**Beech Street:** 13400 west block. First "B" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names often denote trees.

**Beekman Place:** 4950 north block. Possibly named in emulation of Beekman Street in Manhattan.

**Beeler Street:** 9200 east block. First "B" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. There is a town of Beeler, Kansas. E. M. Beeler was a Denver map-maker in the early 20th century. Previously: Robbins Street north of Colfax Avenue; Edson Street south of Colfax Avenue.

**Belcaro Drive:** A twisting road, from about the 750 block of South Garfield Street to 3225 block of Exposition Avenue, in the center of the neighborhood dominated by the Belcaro mansion of Lawrence Phipps. He dubbed the house and area for what he claimed was the Italian term for "beautiful dear one." **Belcaro Lane** is between the 725 block of South Garfield Street and Belcaro Drive at South Adams Street.

**Bellaire Street:** 4300 east block. First "B" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. There are a number of American communities named Bellaire—meaning "good air"—including those in Ohio, Minnesota, and Texas. Previously: Montana Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Kensington Street between 6th and 8th avenues; Chicago Street from Colfax Avenue to Montview Boulevard; Viola Street from Montview Boulevard to 26th Avenue; Moltke Street between 26th and 32nd avenues; Lydia Street between 32nd and 35th avenues;

- Davidson Street north of the UP tracks. **South Belaire Street:** Lindell Street; Irene Street.
- Belleview Avenue:** 5100 south block. Road eight miles south of Colfax Avenue. Originally known as Belleview Road. Belleview means good view. **West Belleview Avenue:** Beers Sisters Road west of South Kipling Street.
- Bellewood Place:** 5050 south block. Begins with the same letter of the alphabet as the adjacent Belleview Avenue.
- Belmar Avenue:** First block north of West Kentucky Avenue, between South Carr and South Garrison streets. On the east end it connects with Belmar Park near the former 750-acre estate of Mae Bonfils, the Belmar. She named it from an abbreviation of her mother's name, Belle, and her own name Mae or Mary.
- Belmont Avenue:** Road three blocks south of West Belleview Avenue, sporadically west of South Irving Street. It is located directly west of the old Centennial Turf Club where the streets are named for famous racetracks.
- Belo Horizonte Parkway:** The designation of Clermont Street heading into Cranmer Park at 1st Avenue—not an official street name.
- Bemis Street:** 2100 west block in Littleton. The Fred A. Bemis family were Littleton pioneers. Previously: Santa Fe Street.
- Benton Street:** 5400 west block. "B" street in the Senator and Supreme Court Justice alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. Thomas Hart Benton represented Missouri in the Senate from 1821 until 1851. Previously: Park Street between West 13th and West Colfax avenues; Jefferson or B Street in Edgewater; Flatbush Avenue north of West 26th Avenue; Veta Avenue or 2nd Street in Berkeley Annex; Palm Street; Holley Avenue between West 1st and West Bayaud avenues. **South Benton Avenue:** Dover Avenue between West Alameda and West Exposition avenues.
- Berkeley Place:** 5150 north block. The section of Denver roughly west of Federal Boulevard and north of West 38th Avenue is known as Berkeley, named by John Brisbane Walker, for his family home in Berkeley Springs, West Virginia. This street does not cut through Berkeley, but only runs between Osage Street and West Burlington Place, and in Montbello. **West Berkeley Place:** West 51st Place.
- Berry Avenue:** 5500 south block.
- Bethany Place:** 2950 south block. Extra "B" street in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. There is a Bethany College in Bethany, West Virginia, and another in Lindsborg, Kansas. Previously: Bradley Place.
- Billings Street:** 14000 east block. First "B" street in the western city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Named for the town in Montana. Previously: Nursery Street.
- Biloxi Street:** 23600 east block. First "B" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road. Named for Biloxi, Mississippi.
- Bingham Place:** 525 south block, sporadically from South Stuart Street to South Sheridan Boulevard.
- Birch Street:** 4400 east block. Second "B" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Previously: Maine or Main Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Arundel Avenue between 6th and 8th avenues; Cervantes Street from Montview Boulevard to 26th Avenue; Bismarck Street between 26th and 32nd avenues; Birdsey Street between 32nd and 35th avenues; Hunter Street north of the UP tracks. **South Birch Street:** Taylor Street north of Florida Avenue; Elizabeth Street south of Florida Avenue; Wilson Avenue between Jewell and Yale avenues; Preston Street south of Dartmouth Avenue.
- Biscay Street:** 18900 east block. Second "B" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. The Bay of Biscay is near France and Spain.
- Blackhawk Street:** 14100 east block. Second "B" street in the Colorado city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Named for Black Hawk, Colorado.
- Blake Street:** 1500 block downtown. Charles H. Blake was a pioneer Denver merchant.
- Blanca Street:** 18600 west block. First "B" street in the mountain double alphabet beginning at Antero Street. *Blanca* is Spanish for white, the term which Spanish explorers thought best described Mount Blanca in Costilla County.
- Bonnie Brae Boulevard:** Runs southeast from South University Boulevard at Exposition Avenue to South Steele Street at Mississippi Avenue. Bonnie Brae is Gaelic for "pleasant hill" or "beautiful hill." Named by George W. Olinger in emulation of the Bonnie Brae neighborhood in Kansas City.
- Boston Street:** 9300 east block. Second "B" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for the city in Massachusetts. Previously: Ada Avenue south of Colfax Avenue.
- Boulder Court:** 1850 block in the downtown numbered streets, the designation of the alley-like road from West 32nd Avenue at Quivas Street to Pecos Street. Runs near Boulder Street.
- Boulder Street:** 2600 block downtown. Named for Boulder, Colorado, in 1881. Previously: 3rd Street.
- Bow Mar Drive:** Twisting road from about the 5700 block of West Quincy Avenue to near the 4100 block of West Berry Avenue. Bow Mar is an abbreviation of Bowles and Marston, the name of the two reservoirs to the south and west of the road.
- Bowles Avenue:** 5900 south block, west of South Santa Fe Drive. Joseph W. Bowles was a Littleton pioneer.
- Bradburn Boulevard:** 4000 west block, between West 72nd and West 80th avenues. Formerly Connecticut Avenue, the road was named for Donald Bradburn, the first Westminster resident killed in World War I. **Bradburn Drive** runs northeast from the 4000 block of West Oakwood Drive, directly north of U.S. 36, to the 8300 block of Lowell Boulevard.
- Brady Court:** First road east of South Zuni Street, north of West Hampden Avenue. Previously: Brailey Court.
- Braun Street:** 13500 west block. Second "B" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names sometimes recall Jefferson County pioneers. The Braun brothers were local merchants.
- Brentwood Street:** 8300 west block. Second "B" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street.

Originally designated Boyd Street on the reorganization of Jefferson County streets. Possibly named in emulation of the exclusive section of Los Angeles. Previously: Gallatin Street; Hillcrest Drive.

**Briarwood Avenue:** 6800 south block. "B" street in the alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road, which was originally designated Baca Avenue. **West Briarwood Avenue:** Riche Drive. **Briarwood Boulevard:** Norwalk Drive. **Briarwood Drive:** Odell Drive.

**Brighton Boulevard:** The equivalent of Wewatta Street from the Broadway Viaduct to I-70, and then of Gilpin Street from I-70 to about 49th Avenue, before turning northeast, running roughly parallel to the Burlington Railroad tracks to Brighton, Colorado. Also known in places as **Brighton Road**. Brighton, Colorado, was named in emulation of Brighton, Massachusetts, and Brighton, England. Near Riverside Cemetery the road was previously Burlington Court. The sections of Wewatta and Gilpin streets became Brighton Boulevard in 1924. The Wewatta Street stretch was previously: Drive Way; St. Vincent Street. The section of Brighton Boulevard equivalent to Gilpin Street was originally Laundon Street.

**Broadway:** Zero axis dividing the east and west avenues. It was the original eastern border of Denver where the diagonal streets of downtown end. Henry C. Brown laid out the road as the western edge of Capitol Hill, naming it after Broadway in New York in the expectation it would emerge as the Mile High City's equivalent of that street. Previously: Broadway Avenue or Street; Burlington Street north 43rd Avenue; Garrison Avenue or Street between 48th and 52nd avenues; Terry Avenue north of 52nd Avenue; Wilde Avenue north of 55th Avenue.

**Bronco Road:** Intermittently, the road directly north of U.S. 36, west of Broadway for a few blocks. A "B" street in the alphabet north of U.S. 36 where the roads are often named for western places and animals.

**Broncos Parkway:** Runs from South Peoria Street at Centennial Airport to South Potomac Street. Denotes the presence of the headquarters of the Denver Broncos east of Centennial Airport. Previously: Dove

Valley Parkway; Dry Creek Road.

**Bross Street:** 18700 west block. Second "B" street in the mountain double alphabet beginning at Antero Street. Mount Bross is in Park County.

**Brown Place:** 2850 south block. Extra "B" street, named for Brown University, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue.

**Bruce Randolph Avenue:** 3400 north block, between Downing and Dahlia streets, the equivalent of 34th Avenue. Named for restaurateur "Daddy" Bruce Randolph in 1985, who was acclaimed for serving free Thanksgiving dinners to the less fortunate for many years. His restaurant, along the road at Gilpin Street, closed in 1993 and he died in 1994.

**Bryant Street:** 2600 west block. "B" street in the great Americans alphabet west of Zuni Street. James Cullen Bryant was a famous 19th-century poet and newspaper editor. Previously: Virginia Street between West 2nd and West 7th avenues; Nevens Street between West 8th and West 12th avenues; Tracy Street between West Colfax and West 17th avenues; 3rd Street in North Denver. **South Bryant Street:** Chestnut Street.

**Buchanan Street:** 23700 east block. Second "B" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road. Named for President James Buchanan.

**Buchtel Boulevard:** Runs from Mississippi Avenue at South Logan Street, generally parallel to I-25, to the 2000 block of South Colorado Boulevard. Henry Buchtel, chancellor of DU from 1900 to 1920, and governor of Colorado from 1907 to 1909, died in 1924, the year before the road was authorized.

**Buckley Road:** 16900 east block. Road one mile east of Chambers Road, which runs by Buckley Field, a



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*Broadway and Ellsworth Avenue are the zero axes dividing the north and south and east and west roads. Shown is the southwest corner of the intersection.*

military facility honoring John Harold Buckley, an aviator from Longmont, killed while flying over France during World War I.

**Bucknell Place:** 2975 south block. Extra "B" street in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Bucknell University is in Lewisburg, Pennsylvania.

**Burlington Place:** 5125 north block, from Osage to Shoshone streets, and in Montbello. The road used to run from the 5150 block of Broadway to the Burlington Railroad shops near West 51st Avenue and Delaware Street.

**Byers Place:** 250 south block. The original farm home of pioneer *Rocky Mountain News* owner William Newton Byers was on this road at the southwest corner of South Bannock Street. Between South Meade and South Stuart streets, West Byers Place was designated part of West Alameda Avenue until 1940 when the current West Alameda Avenue was cut through. **West Byers Place:** Pitkin Street in Barnum.

**Byron Place:** 2450 north block. George Gordon Byron was a famous English romantic poet. Previously:

- Bearce Place; Emerald Avenue between Zuni and Bryant streets.
- Cahita Place:** 250 west block, near West 44th Avenue and I-25. Extra "C" Street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. The Cahita Indians are a group of tribes of the Piman family in Mexico. Previously: Horne Street.
- Caithness Place:** 3050 north block, between Clay and Zuni streets. Street named by William Bell in Scottish Village. Caithness is a county in the extreme northeast of Scotland.
- Caley Avenue:** 6300 south block. Frank R. Caley represented Littleton in the General Assembly and helped make Littleton the Arapahoe County seat. Previously: Poplar Street, Avenue, Road, or Lane; Locust Street west of South Steele Street; Madison Avenue east of South Steele Street. **West Caley Place:** 6350 south block. Previously: Palm Court; Sunset Avenue.
- California Street:** 700 block downtown. Named to denote that Denver was to be the new California as the center of a rich gold rush.
- Canosa Court:** 2650 west block. Extra "C" street in the alphabet west of Zuni Street. Previously: Gibson Street south of West Colfax Avenue; Jasper Street; State Street. **South Canosa Court:** Spruce Street.
- Canyon Avenue:** 7800 south block in the southwestern metropolitan area.
- Carr Street:** 8400 west block. First "C" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names sometimes recall Colorado governors. Ralph Carr was in office between 1939 and 1943. Previously: Lakewood Street or Road or Lakewood Crossing Road between West 6th and West 26th avenues; Henderson Street; Griffith Lane north of West 48th Avenue; West 8th or 8th Street in Arvada.
- Carson Street:** 14200 east block. First "C" street in the Colorado community double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Carson is in Hinsdale County.
- Caspian Place:** 2350 south block, in the series of half blocks named for seas between Jewell and Wesley avenues. Previously: 9th Street in Breenlow Park.
- Catawba Street:** 23800 east block. First "C" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road. The Catawba Indians are a Siouan tribe of South Carolina. Also listed as **Calawba Street**.
- Cathay Street:** 19000 east block. First "C" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Cathay is an old designation of China.
- Cedar Avenue:** 200 south block. Named by William Newton Byers for a favorite tree. Previously: Main Avenue east of South Clarkson Street; 2nd Avenue South east of South Steele Street. **West Cedar Avenue:** Tabor Avenue in Barnum; Carey Avenue.
- Cedar Street:** 1500 west block in Littleton, where streets are sometimes named for trees.
- Centennial Avenue:** 5200 south block, from South Broadway to South Pennsylvania Street and from South Irving Street to South Linden Drive. **Centennial Drive** runs between South Prince Street and West Prentice Avenue. The old Centennial Turf Club was located near the South Platte River and Centennial Drive. Both roads are named for the racetrack whose moniker reflected the fact that Colorado is the Centennial State, admitted to the union on the 100th anniversary of the nation's independence.
- Center Avenue:** 600 south block. Between South Broadway and South Logan Street, this road was at the center of the National Mining and Industrial Exposition of 1882. Previously: Indiana Avenue. **West Center Avenue:** Utah Street; Leiter Avenue west of South Utica Street.
- Central Court:** 1750 block in the downtown numbered streets, between Central and Erie streets.
- Central Street:** 2500 block downtown. Designated the central street of the Central Subdivision in 1881. Named for Central City. Previously: 2nd Street.
- Ceylon Street:** 19100 east block. Second "C" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Ceylon is the former name of Sri Lanka.
- Chaffee Place:** 4550 north block, between Pecos and Tejon streets and in Green Valley Ranch. Named for Jerome Chaffee, a pioneer mine speculator, banker, and one of Colorado's first two United States senators.
- Chambers Road:** 15300 east block. Road seven miles east of Colorado Boulevard. Roy Chambers had a business at Colfax Avenue and this street.
- Champa Street:** 900 block downtown. An Indian word of unsure origins, Champa possibly derives from the Sioux *chapa* for beaver, or *yampa*, which was once thought to be the Ute word for bear. Champa might stem from the name of the Chama Indians of New Mexico, a Pueblo tribe near the Chama River. Chama could be the Spanish corruption of *tzama*, a Tewa Indian term which has been translated as "here they have wrestled," and as "red," denoting the color of the nearby river water. Others claim Chama is from the Spanish for lass or little girl. Previously: 8th Street in Auraria.
- Chase Street:** 5500 west block. "C" street in the Senator and Supreme Court Justice alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. Salmon P. Chase was chief justice from 1864 to 1873. Previously: Lake Street between West 13th and West Colfax avenues; Madison or C Street in Edgewater; Myrtle Avenue north of West 26th Avenue; 3rd Street or Rietta Avenue in Berkeley Annex; Elm Street; Cover Avenue between West 1st and West Bayaud avenues. **South Chase Street:** Trenton Avenue between West Alameda and West Exposition avenues.
- Chatfield Avenue:** 8300 south block in the southwestern metropolitan area. Isaac Chatfield once had the land near the road and where the Chatfield Reservoir was constructed.
- Chenango Avenue:** 4900 south block. Chenango is an Onondagan Indian term for large bull thistles, and is the moniker of a region in upstate New York. The road was named as part of the Harlem Addition which was to bring the best of New York to Denver. Previously: Zenda Avenue.
- Cherokee Street:** 300 west block. "C" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. Cherokee Indians had mined for gold in Georgia and were members of the Russell party which established Auraria. Cherokee has been translated as "the cave people," "inhabitants of the cave country," "men possessed of the

- divine fire," and "real people." Previously: Evans Street south of West Colfax Avenue; Gunther Street north of the 4200 block; Mary Street in Argo; Hudson Street between West 48th and West 52nd avenues; Orient Avenue; Wyckoff Street. **South Cherokee Street:** Oregon Street between West Bayaud and West Alameda avenues; Mechling Street.
- Cherry Creek Drive:** Runs parallel to Cherry Creek, from South University Boulevard to Iliff Avenue. Originally planned as an extension of Speer Boulevard in the 1920s, it was later eyed as the right-of-way of the Valley Highway. On the north side of the stream the road is Cherry Creek Drive North; on the south side, Cherry Creek Drive South. Designated by Ordinance 108 of 1954. Cherry Creek was named for the numerous chokecherry bushes that grew along the stream prior to the Pikes Peak gold rush.
- Cherry Hills Drive:** Road near the north side of the Cherry Hills Country Club from South Gilpin Street to South University Boulevard. The area sought to be lushly planted with cherry trees in the 1920s.
- Cherry Street:** 4600 east block. Second "C" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Previously: Delaware Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Nevada Street from Colfax Avenue to Montview Boulevard; Davel Street from Montview Boulevard to 26th Avenue; McCook Street between 26th and 32nd avenues; Ella Street between 32nd and 35th avenues; Geiling Avenue or Street north of the UP tracks. **South Cherry Street:** McBurney Avenue; Lexington Street. **South Cherry Way:** Wells Place—later Plum Place.
- Chester Street:** 9400 east block. First "C" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for the city in Pennsylvania. Previously: Ione Street; Waltham Street; Manitou Street.
- Chestnut Place:** 2000 block downtown. Originally named Williams Street after Denver pioneer Andrew J. Williams, its moniker was changed to Chestnut Place in 1888 to distinguish the road from Williams Street on Capitol Hill where Williams lived. Previously: Garden Lane; Hartford Place; North Street.
- Cheyenne Place:** 100 block downtown, the first downtown street. The short road between 23rd Street and Washington Street at 20th Avenue has also sometimes been designated Cheyenne Place—previously Packard Place. The Cheyenne Indians lived in eastern Colorado at the time of the Pikes Peak gold rush. Cheyenne has been translated from the Dakota to mean "those who speak a strange language," "red talkers," or "those who paint themselves red."
- Church Avenue:** 5900 south block in central Littleton. Named by Littleton founder Richard Little to note the location of the town's first house of worship.
- Circle Drive:** A semi-circular road from about the 2300 block of 4th Avenue to the 550 block of Race Street.
- City Park Esplanade:** 2600 east block, between Colfax and 17th avenues directly west of East High School. Also known as simply Esplanade, it is the formal entry to City Park, authorized in 1906. Esplanade is a landscape term for a level open space designed as a promenade.
- Clark Place:** 350 east block, between 46th and 48th avenues. W. H. Clark platted land in the area in the 1880s. Previously: Logan Street.
- Clarkson Street:** 800 east block. Bauger and Matthew Clarkson were active in the 1870s in developing property north of 20th Avenue and this road. Previously: Farragut Street south of Cherry Creek; North Clarkson Street north of the Platte River; Windham Street between 51st and 52nd avenues.
- Claude Court:** 2250 east block, north of 43rd Avenue. Previously: Stallcup Street.
- Clay Street:** 2700 west block. "C" street in the great Americans alphabet west of Zuni Street. Henry Clay was a United States Senator from Kentucky, Secretary of State, and a three-time unsuccessful Whig Party candidate for president. Previously: Gibson Street between West Colfax and West 17th avenues; 4th Street in North Denver; Hill Street. **South Clay Street:** Pine Street; Morey Avenue south of West Florida Avenue.
- Clayton Street:** 2700 east block. George W. Clayton was a major businessman and landowner in 19th-century Denver. The road also honors his brother, William Clayton, a partner in many of George Clayton's enterprises, who was mayor of Denver in 1868-69. Previously: Murdock Street between 1st and 6th avenues; Packard Street between 6th and 8th avenues; Logan or Detroit Street between 11th and Colfax avenues; 5th Street in Swansea where it was later 4th Street before becoming Damson Street in 1887. **South Clayton Street:** Julien Street south of Mississippi Avenue; 7th Street between Mexico and Yale avenues; Pine Street; Bryn Mawr Drive south of Bates Avenue. **South Clayton Boulevard:** Wellshire Boulevard or Drive.
- Clear Creek Drive:** Road along Clear Creek from the 5500 block of West 52nd Avenue to about the 5000 block of Marshall Street.
- Clermont Street:** 4500 east block. First "C" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Clermont (clear mountain) is a town near a mountain valley of France. Previously: Vermont Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Central Street from Colfax Avenue to Montview Boulevard; Herta Street from Montview Boulevard to 26th Avenue; Sheridan Street between 26th and 32nd avenues; Fayette Avenue or Street north of the UP tracks; Lafayette Street. **South Clermont Street:** Beacon Street; Henry Street.
- Cleveland Avenue:** 450 east block, between 55th and 56th avenues.
- Cleveland Place:** 200 block downtown. Originally Parkinson Street, after J. T. Parkinson, a surveyor who helped lay out both early Denver and Auraria, the name was changed to Cleveland Place in 1889 to honor President Grover Cleveland. A vacated section of the road northeast of 20th Avenue was previously Pennsylvania or North Pennsylvania Avenue.
- Clifton Avenue:** 8200 south block in the southwestern metropolitan area.
- Clinton Street:** 9500 east block. Second "C" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Clinton, Iowa. Previously: Salem Street north of Colfax Avenue; Topaz Street; Ruxton Street



south of Colfax Avenue. **South Clinton Street:** Happy Canyon Road south of Arapahoe Road.

**Clyde Place:** 3750 north block, west of Federal Boulevard. Originally known as Clyde Avenue, the street was named for the Clyde River in Scotland when the neighborhood was developed by the Highland Park Company.

**Coal Mine Road:** 6700 south block in the southwestern metropolitan area. Coal mines were once in the area.

**Cody Street:** 8500 west block. Second "C" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. William F. "Buffalo Bill" Cody is buried on Lookout Mountain. Previously: State Street; Johnson Street.

**Cole Street:** 13600 west block. First "C" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names sometimes recall Jefferson County pioneers. Lyman and Alvarado Brown Cole were a father-and-son team who had a ranch just east of the Fruitdale section of Wheat Ridge.

**Colfax Avenue:** 1500 north block. Schuyler Colfax served as speaker of the House of Representatives from 1863 to 1869, and as vice president of the United States from 1869 to 1873. Previously: Hartman Avenue from Colorado Boulevard to Dahlia Street. **West Colfax Avenue:** Grand Avenue from 5th and Curtis streets to Federal Boulevard; Golden, South Golden, or Old Golden Avenue or Road.

**Colfax A Place:** 1475 north block, between Madison and Cook streets. The road is paralleled by **Colfax B Place**, the 1425 north block. Until 1972, the two roads were known as Colfax Avenue A and Colfax Avenue B. They were cut through in 1903 by Frank Snell in an effort to increase the number of houses he could build on the block.

**Colgate Place:** 3075 south block. Extra "C" street in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Colgate University is in Hamilton, New York.

**College Avenue:** 2650 south block, from South Tejon Street to South Federal Boulevard. Located in the college series of avenues near DU. Previously: 12th Street in Breenlow Park.



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*Decorative street signs were installed in the Cherry Creek North area in the late 1980s, including this one at the southwest corner of 3rd Avenue and Columbine Street.*

**Colorado Avenue:** 1800 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue. Previously: Cooper Street east of South Franklin Street; Lincoln Street east of South University Boulevard; Cushman Avenue from South Colorado Boulevard to South Dahlia Street. **West Colorado Avenue:** Medford Avenue west of South Pecos Street. **Colorado Circle**, west of South Beeler Street and Parker Road at Colorado Avenue, was previously Sandy Circle.

**Colorado Boulevard:** 4000 east block. Road two and one half miles east of Broadway, named by Casper Hartman. The name of the state of Colorado derives from the Colorado River—a label applied by Spaniards to note that the river ran in a blushing red color near the Gulf of California. Previously: McKinley Avenue north of Alameda Avenue from 1901 until 1904; Cherry Street south of 6th Avenue; Turner Street north of the UP tracks. **South Colorado Boulevard:** Miller Avenue south of Alameda Avenue; Old Clark Road south of Mississippi Avenue; Henrietta Avenue between Florida and Mexico avenues.

**Columbia Avenue:** 3000 south block. This street replaces Cornell Avenue in some of the subdivisions in the southeastern metropolitan area where it is the "C" street in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Columbia University is in New York City. **Columbia Place:** 3050 south block. Previously: Amherst Avenue—later Dauphin Place—from South Franklin Street to South University Boulevard.

**Columbine Street:** 2600 east block. Named for the Colorado state flower. Previously: Baughman Street between 6th and 8th avenues; 3rd Street or Mouat Avenue in Swansea. **South Columbine Street:** Edison Avenue between Mississippi and Florida avenues; 6th Street between Mexico and Yale avenues.

**Conejos Place:** 1550 north block, sporadically between Grove and Tennyson streets. *Conejos* is Spanish for rabbits. Possibly named for Conejos County, Colorado.

**Conifer Road:** Runs from about the 7600 block of Broadway at Del Norte Street to approximately the 200 block of West 84th Avenue. A "C" street in the alphabet north of U.S. 36 where the roads are often named for western places, plants, and animals.

**Cook Street:** 3400 east block. J. Cook Jr. was a major 19th-century land developer in the area north of City Park. Previously: Truxton Street south of 6th Avenue; Jefferson Street between 6th and Colfax avenues; Jefferson Place between Colfax and 17th avenues; Spruce Street north of 26th Avenue; Orange Street between 38th and 39th avenues; Maple Street between

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39th and 46th avenues; 11th Street between 52nd and 54th avenues and in Swansea where it was later 10th Street before becoming Melon Street in 1887. **South Cook Street:** Morse Avenue between Mississippi and Jewell avenues; 12th Street between Jewell and Iliff avenues; Tanzin Street between Iliff and Yale avenues.

**Coolidge Street:** 23900 east block. Second "C" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road. Named for President Calvin Coolidge. Also listed as **Coolridge Street**.

**Coors Street:** 13700 west block. Second "C" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names sometimes recall Jefferson County pioneers. The Coors family has operated Golden's biggest business, the Coors Brewery, since the 1870s.

**Cornell Avenue:** 3000 south block. "C" street, named for Cornell University, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Previously: Johns Hopkins Avenue; Mary Street; Dunning Avenue. **West Cornell Avenue:** Sylvia Avenue.

**Corona Street:** 1100 east block. *Corona* is Spanish for crown and *alta* is Spanish for high. Corona Street originally ran parallel to Alta Street (Ogden Street) where road names were to have a Spanish flavor, noting they were near a high, crowning part of Denver. South of Cherry Creek, Corona Street was originally designated the continuation of Alta Street. **South Corona Street:** Harrison Street between Iliff and Harvard avenues.

**Coronado Parkway:** Major road through the Coronado section of Adams County from about the 8200 block of Washington Street to approximately the 8000 block of York Street. Francisco Vásquez de Coronado explored the American southwest in 1540-42.

**Costilla Avenue:** 6900 south block. "C" street in the Colorado county alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road. Costilla County, in southwestern Colorado, is named for the Costilla River. *Costilla* is Spanish for rib. Spanish explorers so named the river because they thought its course resembled a section of ribs. Previously: Quinn Avenue from South Broadway to South

Pennsylvania Street; Preston Avenue east of South Pennsylvania Street. **West Costilla Avenue:** Ridgewood Lane.

**Cottonwood Street:** Runs from the 1700 block of West Colfax Avenue into the 1450 block of Shoshone Street. Previously: Raritan Street; South 5th Street.

**County Line Road:** 8300 south block, east of South Santa Fe Drive, which divides Arapahoe and Douglas counties. The 16800 north block, 168th Avenue—the border of Adams and Weld counties—is sometimes also called **County Line Road**.

**Court Place:** 300 block downtown. The Arapahoe County Courthouse was located on this road between 15th and 16th streets. Denver was the county seat of Arapahoe County until 1902. The courthouse, erected in 1883, was demolished in 1933. The street was so named by Ordinance 57 of August 2, 1886. Previously: Wapoola or Wasoola Street; Logan or North Logan Avenue northeast of 20th Avenue. **South Court Place** is the 2150 west block in Littleton, north of Littleton Boulevard, the street directly west of the current Arapahoe County Court complex.

**Cove Way:** Runs from the 2700 block of Tennessee Avenue to about the 850 block of South St. Paul Street. Begins with the same letter of the alphabet as the adjacent South Clayton Street.

**Crescent Drive:** Runs south from 7th Street near West 23rd Avenue and Water Street to the Children's Museum. The road is shaped like a crescent in an area originally known as the Crescent Bluff, named by Frederick A. Keener, who platted the land in 1881.

**Crestline Avenue:** 5400 south block. **West Crestline Avenue:** Osmer Street east of South Windermere Street; Hazard Road west of South Prince Street; Leland Street.

**Crestmoor Drive:** A semi-circular road south of 6th Avenue between Ivanhoe and Jasmine streets. The Crestmoor neighborhood was laid out in the 1930s with twisting roads in the hope of emulating a romantic Scottish Highlands village.

**Crestone Street:** 18800 west block. First "C" street in the mountain double alphabet beginning at Antero

Street. The name of Crestone Peak in Saguache County derives from *crestón*, Spanish for "of a peak or summit."

**Crocker Street:** 1800 west block in Littleton. Martha Crocker was the founder of the Littleton library. Previously: Grant Avenue; Vanda Rae Street. **South Crocker Way:** Paul Place.

**Crown Boulevard:** Major road in Montbello from approximately the 12800 block of Albrook Drive to about the 14500 block of 56th Avenue.

**Crystal Street:** 14300 east block. Second "C" street in the Colorado community double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Crystal is in Gunnison County. Previously: Joslin Avenue; Cimarron Street.

**Culebra Street:** 18900 west block. Second "C" street in the mountain double alphabet beginning at Antero Street. *Culebra* is Spanish for snake. Culebra Peak is on the Las Animas-Costilla county line.

**Curtice Street:** 2600 west block in Littleton. Listed as Curtice Street on the 1872 plat map, the road was often spelled Curtis Street into the 1950s. Rodney Curtis was a close personal friend of Littleton founder Richard Little.

**Curtis Street:** 1000 block downtown. Samuel S. Curtis was one of the founders of Denver City. Previously: 7th Street in Auraria.

**Custer Place:** 550 south block. Named for George Armstrong Custer. **West Custer Place:** Daniels Avenue west of South Utica Street.

**Dahlia Street:** 4800 east block. Road three miles east of Broadway. Second "D" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Previously: Wisconsin Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Caribou Street from Colfax Avenue to Montview Boulevard; Carmen Street north of Montview Boulevard; Frank Street between 32nd and 35th avenues; Russell Street north of the UP tracks; Violet Avenue between 48th and 52nd avenues. **South Dahlia Street:** Morse Avenue; Rogers or Amie Rogers Street south of Jewell Avenue.

**Dakota Avenue:** 400 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue. Previously: Lafayette

Avenue from South Franklin Street to South University Boulevard. **West Dakota Avenue:** Rosedale Avenue west of South Stuart Street.

**Dale Court:** 2750 west block. Extra "D" street in the alphabet west of Zuni Street. W. W. Dale was a local attorney. Previously: Taylor Street between West Colfax and West 17th avenues; Main Street between West 4th and West 6th avenues. **South Dale Court:** Maple Street; Milton Avenue south of West Florida Avenue.

**Dallas Street:** 9600 east block. First "D" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Dallas, Texas. Previously: Lynn Street north of Colfax Avenue; Comstock Avenue; Prospect Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue.

**Danube Street:** 19200 east block. First "D" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the river. Previously: Frank Street.

**Dartmouth Avenue:** 3100 south block. "D" street, named for Dartmouth University, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Previously: Vendor or Yendor Avenue or Street; Moore Street; Cambridge Avenue near South University Boulevard; Emma Avenue or Street. **West Dartmouth Avenue:** Carr Avenue; Grand Avenue; Platte Avenue.

**Datura Street:** 1400 west block in Littleton, where streets are sometimes named for trees.

**Davies Avenue:** 7000 south block. "D" street in the alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road. Harold H. Davies was a state senator from Arapahoe County. Previously: Ottawa Drive; Rowland Avenue east of South Lincoln Street. **West Davies Avenue:** Ridgewood Road.

**Dayton Street:** 9700 east block. Second "D" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Dayton, Ohio. Previously: Newton Street north of Colfax Avenue; Warren Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Ute Avenue; Dye Avenue.

**De Gaulle Street:** 24000 east block. First "D" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road. Charles De Gaulle was president of France from 1945 to 1946 and 1959 to 1969.

**Dearborn Street:** 14600 east block. Second "D" street in the western city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. There are towns of Dearborn in Indiana, Louisiana, Michigan, Missouri, and Montana.

**Decatur Street:** 2800 west block. "D" street in the great Americans alphabet west of Zuni Street. Stephen Decatur was a naval hero in the War of 1812. Previously: 5th Street in North Denver; Poole Street south of West 4th Avenue; Sandusky Street between West 4th and West 6th avenues; Main Street between West 8th and West 13th avenues; Higgins Avenue between West 13th and West

Colfax avenues; Morgan Street between West Colfax and West 17th avenues. **South Decatur Street:** Penelope Avenue south of West Florida Avenue; Cherry Street.

**Deframe Street:** 13800 west block. First "D" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names sometimes recall Jefferson County pioneers. U. S. De Frame owned land near West 20th Avenue and Simms Street. Originally designated Daisy Street on the reorganization of Jefferson County streets.

**Del Mar Parkway:** Runs from the 9800 block of Montview Boulevard through the heart of old Aurora, to near the 650 block of Oswego Street at **Del Mar Circle**. The latter is a circular drive around the intersection of 6th Avenue and Peoria Street. Previously: Larkspur Parkway from the 750 block of Peoria Street to Hoffman Boulevard.

**Del Norte Street:** Runs from the 7600 block of Sherman Street to about the 7450 block of Pecos Street. A "D" street in the alphabet north of U.S. 36 where the roads are often named for western places, plants, and animals.

**Delaware Street:** 400 west block. "D" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. A confederation of



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*West Denver Place, the 3850 north block, is one half block north of West 38th Avenue, between Clay and Irving streets. It is the only road honoring the city of Denver within the City and County of Denver. The Federal Theatre is just south of the street on Federal Boulevard.*

Algonquian Indians lived along the middle Atlantic coast at the time of the English settlement. The British named them the Delaware after Lord De La Warr, an early governor of Virginia. These Native Americans called themselves the *Lenni Lenape*, "the common people," or "real men." Previously: South 13th Street south of West Colfax Avenue which was South D Street until 1873; River Street between West 31st and West 34th avenues and south of West Mississippi Avenue; Quincy or Argo Street north of West 34th Avenue. **South Delaware Street:** Benton Street between West Exposition and West Yale avenues—the section between West Mississippi and West Jewell avenues was designated part of South Santa Fe Drive in 1929; Skerritt Avenue in Englewood; Ellen Lane in Littleton.

**Delgany Street:** 1900 block downtown. Named for a pioneer about whom virtually nothing is known. Previously: Bowen Street east of 41st Street.

**Denargo Street:** Runs from Delgany Street to near the Platte River at 29th Street. The equivalent of the 300 west block, it was once considered part of Cherokee Street. Later designated part of Arkins Court until 1949. Parallel to it are **Denargo Road** and **Denargo Market**. The name derives from an effort to describe

the land that was halfway between Denver and the industrial suburb of Argo.

**Dennison Court:** 4650 east block, from La Salle Place to Yale Avenue. Extra "D" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard.

**Denver Place:** 3850 north block, between Clay and Irving streets. James W. Denver, the namesake of the city, was territorial governor of Kansas during the start of the Pikes Peak gold rush in 1858.

**Denver West Parkway:** Road directly west of I-70, from West 20th Avenue to near Camp George West, in a commercial development known as Denver West. **Denver West Boulevard** is the extension of Eldridge Street west of I-70. The area also includes **Denver West Circle Parkway** and **Denver West Drive**.

**Depew Street:** 5600 west block. "D" street in the Senator and Supreme Court Justice alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. Chauncey N. Depew was considered a corrupt politician when he represented New York in the Senate from 1899 to 1911. Previously: High Street between West 13th and West Colfax avenues; Monroe or D Street in Edgewater; Hamilton Avenue north of West 26th Avenue; 4th Street or Bonita Avenue in Berkeley Annex; Pine Street; Burt Avenue between West 1st and West Alameda avenues. **South Depew Street:** Concord Avenue between West Alameda and West Exposition avenues.

**Dequesne Street:** Designated the 24100 east block. Second "D" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.

**Detroit Street:** 2800 east block. Named for the Motor City. The road does not run in South Denver between Alameda and Yale avenues. It is the street omitted so that South University Boulevard can be a full block in the 40 blocks between Broadway and Colorado Boulevard. Detroit Street also disappears north of City Park. Previously: Harman Street between 1st and 6th avenues; St. Charles Street south of Colfax Avenue; Detroit Place between Colfax and 17th avenues.

**Devils Head Street:** 19000 west block. First "D" street in the mountain double alphabet beginning at Antero Street. Devils Head Peak is in Douglas County.

**Devinney Street:** 13900 west block. Second "D" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names sometimes recall Jefferson County pioneers. Members of the Devinny (sic) family were long active in the development of Lakewood. Originally designated De France Street on the reorganization of Jefferson County streets.

**Devonshire Boulevard:** Runs from about the 8000 block of York Street at Coronado Parkway to near the 2500 block of 88th Avenue.



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*West 17th Avenue, from Bryant Street to Federal Boulevard, was named in memory of sports writer Dick Connor in March 1993. He is one of the few modern Denver residents remembered by a street.*

**Dexter Street:** 4700 east block. First "D" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. There are numerous towns named Dexter in the United States. Previously: Illinois Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Angelica Street from Montview Boulevard to 26th Avenue; Dickens Street between 26th and 32nd avenues; Hasie Street between 32nd and 35th avenues; Julia Street north of the UP tracks. **South Dexter Street:** Fayette Street. **South Dexter Way:** Darwin Place.

**Dick Connor Avenue:** 1700 north block, the equivalent of West 17th Avenue from Bryant Street to Federal Boulevard. Named for sports writer Dick Connor in

March 1993 where the street divides Mile High Stadium and McNichols Arena.

**Dickinson Place:** 2450 south block, east of South Colorado Boulevard, in the college series of avenues which run near DU. Laid out in 1874 as Dickinson Street before the establishment of the DU campus, it was sometimes referred to as Dickenson Street or Place. There is a Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania. Previously: Carson Street from South Colorado Boulevard to South Birch Street.

**Dillon Street:** 14400 east block. First "D" street in the Colorado community double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Tom Dillon was the eponym of Dillon, Colorado. Previously: Venice Avenue; Dawson Street.

**Division Street:** 1950 block downtown, near where West 29th Avenue and Inca Street meet the diagonal grid. Established as the dividing line between two real estate developments in 1875.

**Dixie Place:** First block north of West 48th Avenue between Pecos and Shoshone streets.

**Donald Avenue:** 2250 south block, between South Dahlia and South Grape streets.

**Dorado Avenue:** 5700 south block.

**Douglas Place:** 2950 north block, which runs for about a block directly east of Federal Boulevard. Sometimes spelled Douglass Place and originally known as Douglas Street or Road, it was named by William Bell as part of Scottish Village. The road once cut through to West 29th Avenue near Firth Court.

**Dover Street:** 8600 west block. First "D" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. Previously: Cottage Lane between West 48th and West 51st avenues; Jellison Street.

**Downing Street:** 1200 east block. Jacob Downing was a major 19th-century land developer who laid out the property near this road north of 26th Avenue. Previously: Downing Avenue; Knox Avenue between Colfax and 18th avenues; Schinner Avenue between 18th and 35th avenues; Skinner Street; Hallett Street from Cherry Creek to Colfax Avenue; Porter Street south of Cherry Creek; Chama Street north of 54th

- Avenue. **South Downing Street:** West Street south of Jewell Avenue.
- Dry Creek Road:** 7500 south block. Road five miles south of Hampden Avenue. Dry Creek flows near a section of the street west of South Colorado Boulevard. Originally designated Ignacio Avenue, the "I" street in the alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road. Previously: Ramo Woolridge Road from South Colorado Boulevard to South Holly Street.
- DTC Boulevard:** Runs through the Denver Tech Center from South Tamarac Street at I-225 to the 8900 block of Orchard Road. **DTC Parkway** runs from South Syracuse Street at Prentice Avenue to approximately the 5500 block of South Yosemite Street.
- Dudley Street:** 8700 west block. Second "D" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names sometimes remember Jefferson County pioneers. Dudley was the previous name of the current Allison Street where street names honored politicians. Charles E. Dudley represented New York in the United States Senate from 1829 to 1833. Judson H. Dudley was a pioneer of 1858. Previously: Roosevelt Avenue or Street; Bell Court between West 20th and West 23rd avenues; Youssef Street near West 38th Avenue.
- Dunkeld Place:** Runs from about the 2950 block of Zuni Street to Caithness Place at Clay Street in Scottish Village. Previously: Dunkello Avenue.
- Dunkirk Street:** 19300 east block. Second "D" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the town in France. Previously: Laverie Street.
- Dunraven Street:** 19100 west block. Second "D" street in the mountain double alphabet beginning at Antero Street. Mount Dunraven in Larimer County was named for Lord Dunraven, an eccentric British investor in 19th-century Colorado who laid out the area's first golf course in Estes Park in 1875.
- Eagle Street:** 14700 east block. First "E" street in the Colorado community double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. The town of Eagle is in Eagle County. Previously: Glenda Street; Trout Street from Colfax Avenue to Montview Boulevard.
- Easter Avenue:** 7100 south block. "E" street in the alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road. Previously: Rhodes Avenue; Stratford Avenue from South Broadway to South Washington Street.
- Eastman Avenue:** 3200 south block. "E" street, named for Eastman Business College in Poughkeepsie, New York, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Previously: Nettleton Avenue; Meade Avenue or Street; Fisk Avenue or Street; Dumbleton Avenue; Allen Avenue. **West Eastman Avenue:** Lincoln Avenue west of South Federal Boulevard; Vista Street.
- Eastmoor Drive:** Runs southeast from South Niagara Way to South Olive Street and from about the 7200 block of Princeton Avenue to I-225.
- Eaton Park Street:** Designated the 24200 east block. First "E" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road. Also listed as **Eden Park Street**.
- Eaton Street:** 5700 west block. "E" street in the politician alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. Benjamin Eaton was governor of Colorado from 1881 to 1883. Previously: Jackson or E Street in Edgewater; 5th Street or Chipeta Avenue in Berkeley Annex; Pikes Avenue between West 1st and West Alameda avenues. **South Eaton Street:** Albany Avenue between West Alameda and West Exposition avenues.
- Edison Way:** Extra "E" street in the double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard, from the 4850 block of Louisiana Avenue to the 1400 block of South Dahlia Street.
- Eisenhower Way:** First road east of Buckley Road, north of Colfax Avenue, which runs in a semi-circular pattern from Quintero Street to Roosevelt Way. Named for President Dwight D. Eisenhower.
- Elati Street:** 500 west block. "E" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. Named for the Elati Tsalagi, the Lower Cherokee or cave dwellers. Previously: South Tremont Street south of Colfax Avenue; Lyon Street; Lowell Street north of West 38th Avenue; Higby Street between West 48th and West 52nd avenues; Antelope Street. **South Elati Street:** Alamo Avenue; Hayes Street; Short Street; Truman Street; 8th Street between West Hampden and West Quincy avenues; Bell Lane in Littleton; Huron Street south of
- West Caley Avenue. **South Elati Court:** Lakeview Place. **South Elati Way:** Delaware Drive.
- Eldorado Place:** 3150 south block. Extra "E" street in the alphabet south of Yale Avenue.
- Eldridge Street:** 14000 west block. First "E" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names sometimes recall Jefferson County pioneers. Samuel Eldridge operated the Golden Opera House in the 1870s and 1880s. Previously: Gravel Spur Road between West 44th and West 52nd avenues; Weber Lane between West 58th and West 64th avenues.
- Elgin Place:** 4850 north block, between Pearl and Washington streets, and in Montbello. Named for the town of Elgin, Illinois, some of whose residents invested heavily in Colorado smelters. Previously: Elizabeth Street; Willow Lane.
- Eliot Street:** 2900 west block. "E" street in the great Americans alphabet west of Zuni Street. John Eliot was a 17th-century missionary to the Indians. Previously: Saratoga Street; Longfellow Avenue or Street between West Colfax and West 17th avenues; 6th Street between West Colfax and West 44th avenues; 7th Street north of West 44th Avenue; Roy Court from Speer Boulevard to Douglas Place; Keener Street. **South Eliot Street:** Ash Street; Jeffries Avenue south of West Florida Avenue.
- Elicht Circle:** 2050 block downtown. Dedicated in May 1995 as the road from the Speer Viaduct to the new Elicht's in the Platte floodplain. The amusement park was established by John and Mary Elicht.
- Elizabeth Street:** 2600 east block. Named for Elizabeth Byers, the wife of *Rocky Mountain News* founder William Newton Byers. Previously: Hawkins Street between 6th and 8th avenues; Murdock Avenue or Street north of 26th Avenue; 3rd Avenue or Street between 44th and 45th avenues; 4th Avenue or Street between 46th and 48th avenues. **South Elizabeth Street:** Westinghouse Avenue between Mississippi and Florida avenues.
- Elk Place:** 4750 north block. The American Baptist Home Mission Society named the street in North

Denver for the animal on July 18, 1873. Previously: King Street in Globeville. **West Elk Place:** Elk Street; Division Street east of Lipan Street.

**Elk Street:** 24300 east block. Second "E" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.

**Elkhart Street:** 14800 east block. Second "E" street in the western city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. There are towns of Elkhart in Indiana, Kansas, and Texas. Previously: Kennedy Place.

**Ellipse Way:** Road on the west side of Bonnie Brae Park from Bonnie Brae Boulevard to South Elizabeth Street. The park has an elliptical shape.

**Ellis Street:** 14100 west block. Second "E" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names sometimes recall Jefferson County pioneers.

**Ellsworth Avenue:** Axis dividing the north and south streets. The road is fifteen blocks south of Colfax Avenue and the first block south of 1st Avenue. It was designated the zero street so that Colfax, the equivalent of 15th Avenue, would connect with 15th Street at Broadway. Lewis Ellsworth operated the city's first horsecar line. Previously: Cass Street; Orison Street between Clarkson and Downing streets. **West Ellsworth Avenue:** Webster Avenue from the Platte River to Federal Boulevard; Valverde Avenue or Street; Holmes Avenue in Barnum.

**Elm Court:** 2850 west block. Extra "E" street in the alphabet west of Zuni Street. Previously: 6th Street north of West 44th Avenue.

**Elm Street:** 5000 east block. Second "E" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Previously: Kentucky Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Sherwood Street between Colfax and 17th avenues; Garnet Street between 17th and 19th avenues; Shepard Street from Colfax Avenue to Montview Boulevard; Clarence Avenue north of Montview Boulevard; 1st Street between 32nd and 33rd avenues.

**Elmhurst Avenue:** 7900 south block in the southwestern metropolitan area.

**Elmira Street:** 9900 east block. Second "E" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named

for the city in New York. Previously: Learnard or Leonard Street; Lowell Street north of Colfax Avenue.

**Elmwood Street:** 1300 west block in Littleton, where streets are sometimes named for trees. Previously: Elm Avenue.

**Emerson Street:** 900 east block. Honors Ralph Waldo Emerson. Previously: Venice Street from Colfax



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*Sometimes streets change names. West Girard Avenue, between South Broadway and South Cherokee Street, is also known as Englewood Parkway where the road runs near the Englewood city hall. Shown is the street, looking north, at South Broadway.*

Avenue to Cherry Creek; Hotchkiss Avenue between Colfax and 20th avenues; Jay Street between 20th and 26th avenues; North Emerson Street north of the Platte River; Anne Street; Lionne Street between 51st and 52nd avenues; Altos Street from 54th Avenue to Horton Court. **South Emerson Street:** Clarkson Street south of Cherry Creek; Sheynin Avenue south of Alameda Avenue; Highland Street between Iliff and Harvard avenues.

**Empire Street:** 9950 east block, between 3rd and 6th avenues. Extra "E" street in the double alphabet east of Yosemite Street.

**Emporia Street:** 9800 east block. First "E" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Emporia, Kansas. Previously: Monroe Street

north of Colfax Avenue; Navajo Avenue south of Colfax Avenue; Boston Street.

**Englewood Parkway:** The equivalent of West Girard Avenue from South Broadway to South Cherokee Street and then of South Cherokee Street between West Girard and West Hampden avenues. Runs in the heart of Englewood near the town hall.

**Ensenada Street:** 19400 east block. First "E" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Enseñada is a port in Baja California.

**Eppinger Boulevard:** Runs from approximately the 9200 block of Grant Street to about the 9300 block of Yucca Way in Thornton. The Eppinger family was a major landowner in Adams County. Art Eppinger sold Sam Hoffman the land where Thornton was initially laid out in 1953-54.

**Erb Place:** First block north of West Kentucky Avenue between South Lipan and South Osage streets.

**Erie Street:** 2700 block downtown, the last street of the named diagonal streets. Named for Erie, Colorado, in 1881, a town adjacent to Boulder, in the same way that Erie Street is adjacent to Boulder Street. Previously: 4th Street.

**Espana Street:** 19500 east block. Second "E" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. *España* is Spanish for Spain.

**Esplanade:** See City Park Esplanade.

**Estes Street:** 8800 west block. First "E" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. Previously: Garden Avenue or Street; Wight Street; Oberon Road south of West 68th Avenue; Buena Vista Street.

**Euclid Avenue:** 6600 south block. **Euclid Place:** 6650 south block. Previously: Elm Road from South University Boulevard to South Steele Street.

**Euclid Way:** Runs from the 2600 block of Kentucky Avenue to near the intersection of Tennessee Avenue and South Clayton Way. Begins with the same letter of the alphabet as the adjacent South Elizabeth Street.

**Eudora Street:** 4900 east block. First "E" street in the places, people, and plants double alphabet east of

Colorado Boulevard. Named for Caroline Eudora Downing, who owned a good deal of land in the early Park Hill neighborhood. There are towns of Eudora in Kansas and Arkansas. Previously: Minnesota Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Fulton Street from Colfax Avenue to Montview Boulevard; Rossiter Avenue north of Montview Boulevard; Webb Avenue north of 46th Avenue. **South Eudora Street:** Elmell Street.

**Evans Avenue:** 2100 south block. Runs by DU and named for the central figure in the establishment of the school, John Evans, the second territorial governor of Colorado. Previously: Myrtle Avenue west of South Clarkson Street; Haven Street from South Colorado Boulevard to South Dahlia Street; Maple Avenue or Street between South Dahlia and South Holly streets; Hyde Street between South Holly and South Monaco streets. **West Evans Avenue:** Sheridan Avenue west of South Pecos Street; Lyons Avenue west of South Lowell Boulevard.

**Evanston Street:** 14900 east block, south of 11th Avenue. Extra "E" street in the western city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Named for Evanston, Wyoming, and Evanston, Illinois, both of which were established by John Evans, the second territorial governor of Colorado.

**Everett Street:** 8900 west block. Second "E" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. Everett was an old street name in the area on the current Ammons Street, part of a series of roads that honored politicians. It could have been named for orator Edward Everett. Martin N. Everett was a member of the Colorado constitutional convention and was a founder of the Ceres Grange #1 in the Wheat Ridge area. His name is also sometimes spelled Everitt as in Everitt Middle School at 3900 Kipling Street. Francis E. Everett was mayor of Golden in the 1870s and 1880s.

**Evergreen Avenue:** 1700 north block, from Potomac Street to Sable Boulevard. It was once paralleled by Locust Avenue (16th Avenue) in a tree nursery.

**Exposition Avenue:** 700 south block. From South Broadway to South Logan Street, the road was the southern border of the grounds of the National Mining and Industrial Exposition of 1882. Previously: Illinois Avenue; Bohm Avenue from South Franklin Street to South University Boulevard; Adams Street between South Kearney and South Monaco streets. **West Exposition Avenue:** Boulder Street; Emmett Avenue west of South Utica Street.

**Fair Avenue:** 6200 south block. **West Fair Avenue:** Locust Street.

**Fairfax Street:** 5100 east block. First "F" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Named for an English location which is also the moniker of numerous towns in the United States. Previously: Tennessee Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Chamberlain Street from Colfax Avenue to Montview Boulevard; Pearl Street between 17th and 19th avenues; Olive Avenue north of Montview Boulevard; Beers Avenue north of 46th Avenue. **South Fairfax Street:** Fargo Street; Gardner Street.

**Fairmount Drive:** Runs from approximately the 8200 block of Alameda Avenue in a curving path to about the 8900 block of Alameda Avenue. Established in 1971, named for the adjacent Fairmount Cemetery.

**Fairplay Street:** 15000 east block. First "F" street in the Colorado community double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Fairplay is in Park County. Previously: Anna Court.

**Fairview Avenue:** 7700 south block in the southwestern metropolitan area.

**Fairview Place:** Runs from West 32nd Avenue at Grove Street to West 33rd Avenue at Irving Street. Until 1958, the section of West 32nd Avenue from Federal Boulevard to Grove Street was also considered part of West Fairview Place. Fairview was a favored name in Highlands. West 32nd Avenue was originally Fairview Avenue.

**Federal Boulevard:** 3000 west block. Road two miles west of Broadway. "F" street in the alphabet west of Zuni Street. Originally called Highland Avenue, beginning in 1871 the road was referred to as "The

Boulevard," the main north-south street in Highlands. Designated 7th Street in the town's numbered road system—a name that was never used—it was renamed in 1897 when it became "Boulevard F" as part of the alphabetical reorganization of the streets. Ordinance 115 of 1912 labeled it Federal Boulevard.

**Fenton Street:** 5800 west block. "F" street in the Senator and Supreme Court Justice alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. Reuben Fenton represented New York in the Senate from 1869 to 1875. Previously: Van Buren or F Street in Edgewater; Uintah Avenue or 6th Street in Berkeley Annex; Maple Street; Green Avenue between West 1st and West Alameda avenues. **South Fenton Street:** Hartford Avenue between West Alameda and West Exposition avenues.

**Field Street:** 9000 west block. First "F" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often commemorate Jefferson County pioneers. S. C. Field was one of the inaugural county commissioners. Ralph Field had a home and training school for young boys, Brightside, ten miles northwest of Denver. Previously: Adams Street between West 20th and West 25th avenues.

**Fife Court:** 2550 west block, from West Dunkeld Place to West 32nd Avenue, in Scottish Village.

**Fig Street:** 14200 west block. First "F" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names often denote trees. Originally designated Fir Street on the reorganization of Jefferson County streets.

**Filbert Court:** 5050 east block. Extra "F" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. A filbert is a European hazel. Previously: Cochrane Street.

**Fillmore Street:** 2900 east block. Named for President Millard Fillmore. Previously: Shumate Street between 1st and 6th avenues; St. George Street between 6th and Colfax avenues; Cleveland Street south of 12th Avenue and between Colfax and 17th avenues; Packard Place between Colfax and 17th avenues; 6th Street between 48th and 50th avenues and in Swansea where it was later 5th Street before becoming Elder Street in 1887; Thomas Avenue between 50th and

52nd avenues. **South Fillmore Street:** Monte Cristo Avenue between Mississippi and Mexico avenues; 8th Street between Mexico and Yale avenues.

**Firth Court:** 2450 west block, between Speer Boulevard and West 29th Avenue, in Scottish Village.

**Fitzsimons Way:** Road directly east of Sand Creek Park from 28th Avenue to Potomac Street, by Fitzsimons Hospital. The army facility was named for Lieutenant William T. Fitzsimons, the first American medical officer killed in World War I.

**Five Points:** The five-pointed intersection where Washington Street, Welton Street, 26th Avenue, and 27th Street meet.

**Flamingo Court:** 5150 east block. Extra "F" street in the double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard.

**Flanders Street:** 19600 east block. First "F" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the region near the border of France and Belgium.

**Flatrock Street:** 24400 east block. First "F" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.

**Flora Place:** 3250 south block. Extra "F" street in the alphabet south of Yale Avenue.

**Flora Street:** 14300 west block. Second "F" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names often denote plants.

**Florence Street:** 10000 east block. First "F" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Florence, Italy. Previously: Newhall Street; Manchester Street north of Colfax Avenue.

**Florida Avenue:** 1500 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue. Previously: Allen Street east of South Holly Street. **West Florida Avenue:** French Avenue west of South Pecos Street.

**Flower Street:** 9100 west block. Second "F" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers and sometimes denote flora. While the road was most likely named for the plant, it might remember real estate developer John S. Flower.

**Floyd Avenue:** 3300 south block. "F" street in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Rather than

being named for an institution of higher learning, the road honors a friend of Maloney's, Edward Floyd, weighmaster of the Argo Smelter. Previously: Newell Street; Edmondson Avenue east of South Colorado Boulevard; Joseph Street. **West Floyd Avenue:** Greenwood Avenue from South Broadway to South Bannock Street; Park Avenue; McCook Avenue or Street; Carleton Avenue; Brady Avenue; Grant Avenue.

**Ford Place:** 950 south block. It is **Ford Avenue** between South Peoria and South Troy streets.

**Forest Street:** 5200 east block. Second "F" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Originally designated Fir Street in the Maloney System, residents complained that Fir St. could easily be confused with First. The road was consequently named Forest Street in 1910 to reflect the profusion of trees in the area. Previously: Superior Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Eudora Avenue north of Colfax Avenue; 2nd Street between 32nd and 33rd avenues; Griswold Avenue between 32nd and 38th avenues; Smilax Avenue between 48th and 52nd avenues; Beech Avenue; Bert Street. **South Forest Street:** Moulton Street; Linden Street.

**Foresthill Street:** 1100 west block in Littleton, where streets are sometimes named for trees. Previously: Forest Avenue.

**Fox Street:** 600 west block. "F" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. The Fox Indians called themselves the *Mesquakie*, the Red Earth People. The French confused the name of the clan of the Red Fox with the name of the tribe as a whole, calling these Indians "the Fox." Previously: South 12th Street south of West Colfax Avenue, which had been South C Street until 1873; Gerspach Avenue north of West 29th Avenue; Argo Avenue or Street north of the 23rd Street Viaduct; Media or Medio Street; Locust or Lowell Street between West 48th and West 52nd avenues. **South Fox Street:** Superior Street south of West Ellsworth Avenue; Chase Street; 7th Street between West Hampden and West Mansfield avenues.

**Franklin Street:** 1600 east block. Named for Benjamin Franklin. Previously: Dupont Street; Rogers Street

between 26th and 35th avenues; Starr Street north of 46th Avenue. **South Franklin Street:** Whitsitt Street between Alameda and Virginia avenues; Whitney Street south of Virginia Avenue; Center Street south of Jewell Avenue.

**Fraser Street:** 15100 east block. Second "F" street in the Colorado community double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Fraser is in Grand County. Previously: Elma Court.

**Fremont Avenue:** 7200 south block. "F" street in the Colorado county alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road. Fremont County is named for John C. Frémont, who explored Colorado in the 1840s and 1850s. Previously: Stratford Place east of South Pennsylvania Street.

**Front View Crescent:** 2200 north block, between Bryant and Clay streets. The road originally cut through to River Drive near Alcott Street in Crescent Bluffs, named by Frederick A. Keener in 1881.

**Frost Avenue:** 7250 south block. Extra "F" street in the alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road.

**Fulton Street:** 10100 east block. Second "F" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. There are numerous towns named Fulton in the United States. Previously: Concord Street; Goodnough Street; Albany Street.

**Fultondale Street:** Designated the 24500 east block. Second "F" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.

**Fundy Street:** 19700 east block. Second "F" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. The Bay of Fundy is near New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

**Galapago Street:** 700 west block. "G" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. Maloney could not find an Indian tribe whose name began with a "G" that he thought was easily pronounceable, so he substituted a street named for the Galapagos Islands. Previously: South Water Street south of West Colfax Avenue, which was South B Street until 1873; Lajara or La Jara Avenue; Argo Court or Street; Everett Street; Chestnut Street between West 48th and West 52nd avenues.



**South Galapago Street:** Whitney Street; 6th Street between West Hampden and West Mansfield avenues.

**Galena Street:** 10200 east block. First "G" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Galena, Illinois. Previously: Hathaway Street; Providence Street north of Colfax Avenue.

**Gallup Street:** 1200 west block in Littleton. Avery Gallup was a Littleton pioneer.

**Gardenia Street:** 14400 west block. First "G" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names often denote plants.

**Garfield Street:** 3700 east block. Named for President James Garfield. Previously: St. James Street south of 6th Avenue; Charles Street or Boulevard between 6th and Colfax avenues and 32nd and 38th avenues; Charles Place between Colfax and 17th avenues; Arch Street between 26th and 29th avenues; Florence Street between 29th and 35th avenues and south of Hampden Avenue; 14th or Flaner Street north of the UP tracks; Spruce Street. **South Garfield Street:** Berger Place.

**Garland Street:** 9300 west block. Second "G" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names sometimes denote flowers. Named for the wreath. Originally designated Graves Street on the reorganization of Jefferson County streets. Previously: Arlington Drive near West 6th Avenue; Dailey Avenue or Street; Garland Drive; Rising Sun Avenue or Road; Kawanee Street.

**Garrison Street:** 9200 west block. Road six miles west of Broadway, first "G" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. The Garrisons were an early Golden family who published the *Golden Globe*. Previously: Smith Road south of West Colfax Avenue; Juchem Lane from West 44th Avenue to Ridge Road; Majestic Avenue south of 67th Avenue.

**Gaylord Street:** 2200 east block. Ed Gaylord was a major 19th-century gambler who lived on this road. His son, Paul, helped develop the land west of York Street near Colfax Avenue in the 1880s. Previously: Green Street; Parsons Street in Elyria; Spruce Street. **South Gaylord Street:** Routt Street south of Alameda

Avenue; Arthur Street south of Florida Avenue; 2nd Street between Jewell and Evans avenues; Dutton Street south of Iliff Avenue; Flora Avenue.

**Geddes Avenue:** 7300 south block. "G" street in the alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road. Previously: Trinity Avenue from South Broadway to South Washington Street.

**Geneva Street:** 10300 east block. Second "G" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street.

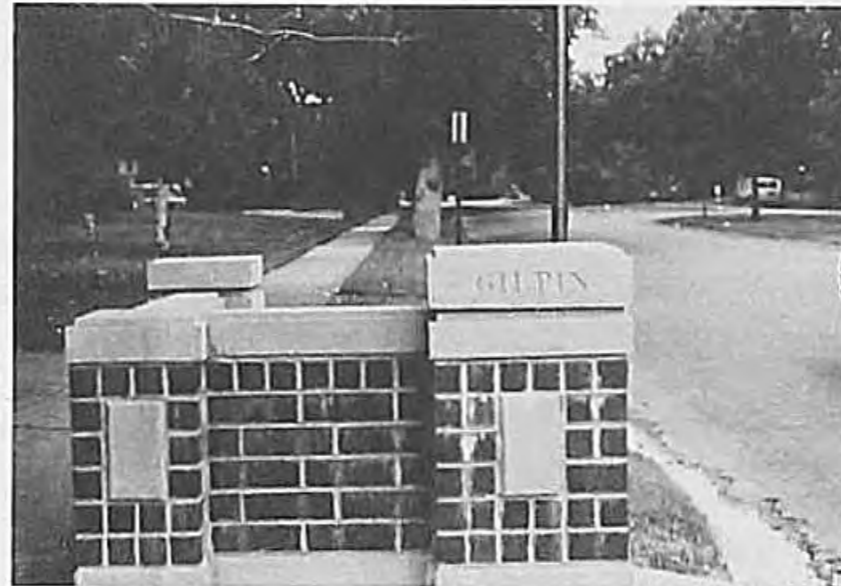


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*Gilpin Street remembers William Gilpin, the first governor of the Colorado Territory. A special entryway is along the street at First Avenue.*

Named for Geneva, Switzerland. Previously: Barker Street; Newport Street.

**Genoa Street:** 19800 east block. First "G" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for Genoa, Italy.

**Gibraltar Street:** 19900 east block. Second "G" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the famous rock.

**Gill Place:** 650 south block. **West Gill Place:** Gilpin Street; Howard Avenue west of South Utica Street.

**Gilpin Street:** 1700 east block. William Gilpin, the first territorial governor of Colorado, owned land near 18th Avenue and this street. **South Gilpin Street:** Kettle Street between Alameda and Kentucky avenues; Hazen Street south of Jewell Avenue.

**Ginger Court:** 5350 east block, between Iowa and Mexico avenues. Extra "G" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard.

**Girard Avenue:** 3400 south block. "G" street, named for Girard College in Philadelphia, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Previously: Barker Street; Horizon Street. **West Girard Avenue:** Custer Avenue; Sherman Avenue west of South Federal Boulevard; Tabor Avenue; Blaine Avenue or Street. The section between South Broadway and South Cherokee Street is designated Englewood Parkway.

**Girton Place:** 3350 south block. Extra "G" street in the alphabet south of Yale Avenue. **West Girton Place:** Olson Avenue.

**Gladiola Street:** 14500 west block. Second "G" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names often denote plants.

**Glasgow Avenue:** 7350 south block. Extra "G" street in the alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road.

**Glenarm Place:** 500 block downtown. Named by William McGaa for what he claimed was his ancestral family home, Glen Arm in Scotland. Previously: Lincoln or North Lincoln Avenue northeast of 20th Avenue.

**Glencoe Street:** 5300 east block. First "G" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Glencoe is a valley in Scotland. Previously: Michigan Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Moffatt Avenue north of Colfax Avenue; 3rd Street between 32nd and 33rd avenues; Culbert or Gilbert Avenue between 32nd and 38th avenues. **South Glencoe Street:** Locust Street.

**Glenn Court:** 2250 west block, alley between Vallejo and Wyandot streets, from West 29th Avenue to West 32nd Avenue. Named by George Tritch when the land was platted in July 1881.

**Globeville Road:** Service road from 43rd Avenue and Broadway to Fox Street near I-25. The boulevard was authorized in 1930 to link Globeville with the rest of the city. Globeville's name derives from the old Globe Smelter, near 52nd Avenue and Washington Street, which featured a globe on its main smokestack.

**Gold Bug Street:** 24600 east block. First "G" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.

**Golden Court:** 5850 west block. Extra "G" street in the alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard.

**Granby Street:** 15200 east block. Only "G" street in what is generally a Colorado city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. The town of Granby, in Grand County, remembers reactionary jurist Granby Hillyer. Previously: Helen Court.

**Grand Avenue:** 5000 south block.

**Grandbay Street:** 24700 east block. Second "G" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road. Also listed as Grand Baker Street.

**Grandview Avenue:** Runs from about the 5700 block of Marshall Street to the 5600 block of Kipling Street. This was the original east-west main street of Arvada, whose name was to advertise the grand view residents had of the mountains. Previously: Railroad Street; Grand View Avenue or Boulevard; Main Street.

**Grant Street:** 300 east block. Named by Henry C. Brown for Ulysses Grant. Previously: Grant Avenue; 4th Street which became North Logan Avenue between 44th and 50th avenues in 1896; North Grant Avenue north of 50th Avenue—formerly Center Street. **South Grant Street:** Joleen Court in Littleton.

**Grape Street:** 5400 east block. Second "G" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Previously: Chaffee Avenue or Street north of Colfax Avenue; Ware Avenue between 33rd and 38th avenues; Huron Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue. **South Grape Street:** Rawlins Street; Lydia Street south of Harvard Avenue.

**Gray Street:** 5900 west block. "G" street in the Senator and Supreme Court Justice alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. George Gray represented Delaware in the Senate between 1885 and 1899. Horace Gray served on the Supreme Court from 1881 to 1902. Previously: Calhoun or G Street in Edgewater; Longs Avenue between West 1st and West Alameda avenues; Hein Lane in Arvada. **South Gray Street:** Providence Avenue between West Alameda and West Exposition avenues.

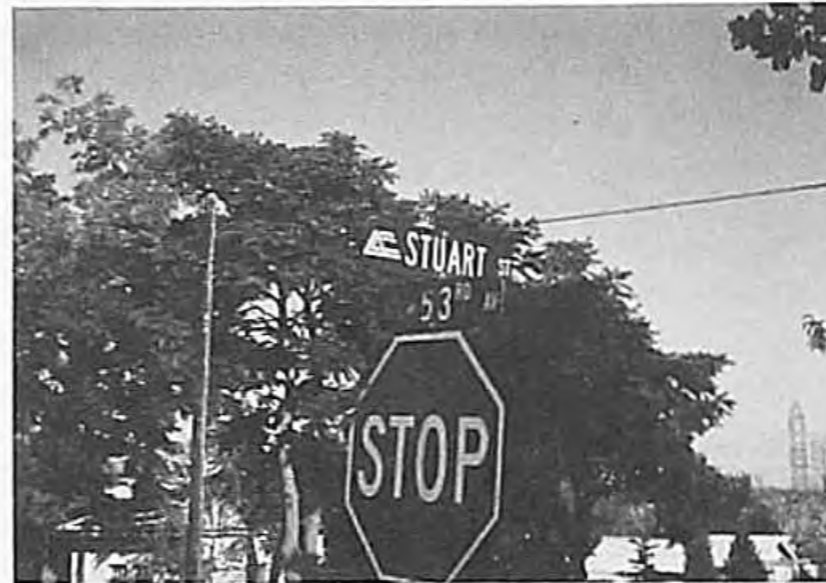


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*Street signs of unincorporated Adams County are sometimes decorated with special logos such as this one at West 53rd Avenue and Stuart Street. Like most street signs in the area, it is white on green, colors suggested by a national traffic safety code.*

**Green Court:** 3050 west block. Extra "G" street in the alphabet west of Zuni Street. William H. Green was an early settler. Previously: 8th Street north of 44th Avenue; Wellesley Street; Summit Avenue in Westminster.

**Green Meadows Drive:** Approximately the 2150 south block, between South Depew and South Harlan streets.

**Green Mountain Drive:** Goes from approximately the 1550 block of South Union Boulevard to near the 13300 block of West Alameda Parkway. Runs in the Green Mountain section of Lakewood.

**Greenwood Boulevard:** Twisting street from approximately the 7200 block of Broadway to the 8400 block of Huron Street. A "G" street in the alphabet north of U.S. 36.

**Greenwood Lane:** Approximately the 5500 south block, west of Franklin Street. Previously: Strawberry Lane.

**Greenwood Place:** 3350 south block. Extra "G" street in the alphabet south of Yale Avenue.

**Greenwood Plaza Boulevard:** Runs from approximately the 5650 block of South Syracuse Street to the 8200 block of Arapahoe Road in the Greenwood Plaza

section of Greenwood Village. Previously: South Ulster Street.

**Greenwood Street:** 1000 west block in Littleton.

**Grinnell Court:** 2200 block downtown, on the right bank of the Platte River, northeast of 15th Street where the Grinnell Corporation has long been located. Previously: Levee at 15th Street.

**Grove Street:** 3100 west block. "G" street in the great Americans alphabet west of Zuni Street. William Robert Grove was a famous 19th-century scientist. Previously: Haynes Avenue in Barnum; Wolfe Avenue in Villa Park; Russell Street between West 13th and West Colfax avenues; Cameron Street; Clark Street between West Colfax and West 20th avenues; Oak Avenue or Street between West 20th and West 26th avenues; Roxbury or Rox Burgh or Roxburgh Court or Road between West 32nd and West 34th avenues; Helen Street between West 38th and West 41st avenues; Black Street between West 38th and West 46th avenues; 8th Street sporadically between West Colfax and West 38th avenues; 9th Street north of West 48th Avenue; Bleacher or Blucher Street in Berkeley; McCormick Avenue in Westminster. **South Grove Street:** Alfred Street; Fort Avenue between West Kentucky and West Florida avenues.

**Gun Club Road:** 23300 east block. Road three miles east of Tower Road. A shooting club was adjacent to the street. Previously: Hunt Road.

**Gunnison Place:** 1550 south block. John W. Gunnison surveyed parts of Colorado in 1853 for the route of a transcontinental railroad.

**Haddon Road:** Semi-circular road west between the 2650 and 2750 blocks of Colorado Boulevard in the Haddon Manor subdivision.

**Hale Parkway:** Diagonal street from 12th Avenue and Albion Street to 8th Avenue and Grape Street, dedicated in September 1941. General Irving Hale commanded Colorado forces in crushing the Filipino bid for independence in the wake of the Spanish-American War. Initially designated the Mayfair Parkway and then Chivington Parkway, the road shows up on some 1940s street guides as Stapleton Parkway.

**Haleyville Street:** Designated the 24800 east block. First "H" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.

**Halifax Street:** 20000 east block. First "H" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the capital of Nova Scotia.

**Hamilton Place:** 3450 south block. Extra "H" street in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Hamilton College is in Clinton, New York. **West Hamilton Place:** Steele Avenue; Sigel Avenue; Grant Avenue near the Platte River.

**Hampden Avenue:** 3500 south block. Road four miles south of Alameda Avenue. "H" street in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. It could honor John Hampden, a major figure in 17th-century England, or it might be named for the Hampden Institute in Virginia. Previously: Sheridan Avenue; Maryland Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard. **West Hampden Avenue:** Morrison Boulevard west of South Sheridan Boulevard.

**Hannibal Street:** 15400 east block. First "H" street in the western city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Named for the town in Missouri.

**Hanover Street:** 10400 east block. First "H" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Hanover, Germany. Previously: Wright Street; Concord Street north of Colfax Avenue; Robert Avenue.

**Happy Canyon Road:** Runs from South Dahlia Street and Hampden Avenue to about the 6500 block of Quincy Avenue. The street recalls how an area southeast of Denver is Happy Canyon where Happy Canyon Creek flows into Cherry Creek.

**Harlan Street:** 6000 west block. Road four miles west of Broadway. "H" street in the Senator and Supreme Court Justice alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. John Harlan served on the Supreme Court from 1877 until 1911. Previously: Ann Street between West 10th and West Colfax avenues; Harrison or H Street in Edgewater; Idlewilde Avenue between West 38th and West 48th avenues; Berkeley Avenue north of West 48th Avenue; Tejon Avenue between West 1st and

West Alameda avenues. **South Harlan Street:** Augusta Avenue between West Alameda and West Exposition avenues.

**Harrison Street:** 3900 east block. Named for presidents William Henry Harrison and Benjamin Harrison. Previously: Brunswick Street south of 6th Avenue; Cactus Avenue between 11th and Colfax avenues; Harrison Avenue; Harrison Place between Colfax and 17th avenues; Clover Street north of 28th Avenue; Church or North Church Street between 32nd and 35th avenues; Grovner Street; 12th Street north of the UP tracks. **South Harrison Street:** 16th Street between Jewell and Iliff avenues; Alcesti Street south of Hampden Avenue.

**Harvard Avenue:** 2500 south block. Runs in the college series of avenues near DU. Named for Harvard University, denoting DU as the Harvard of the West. Previously: Kirby Avenue from Sherman Street to the Platte River; Beacon Avenue; Bradley Street from South Colorado Boulevard to South Birch Street; Howard Street between South Dahlia and South Holly streets; Millington Avenue between South Holly and South Monaco streets. **West Harvard Avenue:** Abbot Avenue west of the Platte River.

**Harvest Mile Road:** 24900 east block. Road one mile east of Gun Club Road. Second "H" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.

**Havana Street:** 10500 east block. Road four miles east of Colorado Boulevard. Second "H" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Havana, Cuba. Previously: Greeley Street; Salem Street.

**Hawthorne Place:** A semi-circular drive near the 2100 block of Westwood Drive. **West Hawthorne Place:** 6450 north block, from Federal Boulevard to Irving Street. Named for author Nathaniel Hawthorne. **South Hawthorne Street:** 3150 west block from West Belleview Avenue to West Bellewood Drive.

**Hawthorne Road:** approximately the 13700 west block between West 10th and West Colfax avenues.

**Hayward Place:** 2950 north block, intermittently between Hooker and Yates streets. Named by real estate

developer Allen M. Ghost, in April 1887, for Fred Hayward, the managing editor of the *Denver Republican*. Previously: Howard Place.

**Hazel Court:** 3150 west block. Extra "H" street in the alphabet west of Zuni Street. Previously: Indiana Avenue or Street; Jumbo Avenue in Barnum; Loy Avenue in Villa Park; Cleveland Street between West 13th and West Colfax avenues; Hale Court south of West Colfax Avenue; 8th Street between West 26th and West 29th avenues. **South Hazel Court:** Frederick Street; Maple Avenue between West Kentucky and West Florida avenues.

**Helena Street:** 15500 east block. Second "H" street in the western city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Named for the town in Montana. Previously: Froman Avenue.

**Hialeah Avenue:** One block south of Belleview Avenue, west of South Irving Street and east of Cherry Creek Reservoir. The section in Littleton is directly west of the old Centennial Turf Club where the streets are named for famous racetracks.

**Hickory Street:** 900 west block in Littleton, where streets are sometimes named for trees.

**High Court:** 2350 west block, alley between Wyandot and Zuni streets, from West 29th Avenue to West 32nd Avenue. Named by George Tritch when the land was platted in July 1881. A different **High Court** is one block east of Teller Street between West 35th and West 39th avenues. Previously: Floyd Drive. **South High Court** is near South High Street off of Phillips Circle.

**High Street:** 1900 east block. Named by M. Simpson McCullough after High Street in Philadelphia which was once parallel to that city's Race Street in the same manner that High Street precedes Race Street in Denver. Previously: Marshall Street in Elyria. **South High Street:** Pierce Street south of Alameda Avenue; Lightburn Street south of Jewell Avenue.

**Highland Park Place:** Runs from West 33rd Avenue at Federal Boulevard to West 34th Avenue at Irving Street. It borders Highland Park between Federal Boulevard and Grove Street, and recalls how the

- Highland Park Company platted the land in the early 1870s. Previously: Bosler Drive; Belrose Place.
- Hill Street:** 2200 west block in Littleton. J. D. Hill built Littleton's first general store and was the community's initial postmaster. Previously: Ash Street; Dowling Street.
- Hillcrest Drive:** Runs directly west of I-25 from the 3600 block of South Ivanhoe Street to the 4050 south block of Happy Canyon Road, in the Southmoor neighborhood where roads sometimes have names with a Scottish tint.
- Hillside Avenue:** 2550 south block, between South Zuni and South Decatur streets. Elsewhere the road is **Hillside Place**. **West Hillside Avenue:** 11th Street in Breenlow Park. A different **Hillside Place** is approximately the 5150 south block, from South Mabry Court to South Perry Street.
- Hillside Street:** Approximately the 10350 east block. Extra "H" street in the double alphabet east of Yosemite Street.
- Himalaya Road:** 20100 east block. Road ten miles east of Colorado Boulevard. Second "H" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the mountain chain.
- Hinsdale Avenue:** 7400 south block. "H" street in the Colorado county alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road. George Hinsdale, a pioneer of southwestern Colorado, was the namesake of Hinsdale County.
- Hoffman Boulevard:** A diagonal road in the Hoffman Heights section of Aurora from Del Mar Circle to about the 1200 block of Potomac Street. Named for the developer of the neighborhood, Sam Hoffman. He also developed Thornton where he is remembered by **Hoffman Parkway** or **Way**, which runs from near the 1900 block of 88th Avenue to approximately the 9500 block of Washington Street.
- Holden Place:** 1250 north block, east of Federal Boulevard. Named for Edward R. Holden, the original owner of the Globe Smelter. Previously: Gibbons Place or Street; Montague Street.
- Holland Street:** 9400 west block. First "H" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. Members of the Holland family were early settlers in the Wheat Ridge area. James M. Holland owned land in the Mountair section of Lakewood. Previously: Buchanan Street near West 6th Avenue; Maple Avenue or Street south of West Colfax Avenue.
- Holly Street:** 5600 east block. Road one mile east of Colorado Boulevard. Second "H" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Previously: Iowa or Ontario Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Caroline Avenue north of Colfax Avenue; 5th Street between 32nd and 35th avenues; Timmerman Avenue between 32nd and 38th avenues; Dahlia Avenue between 48th and 52nd avenues; Clear View Avenue north of 60th Avenue.
- South Holly Street:** Merritt Street; Van Law Street south of Florida Avenue; Medina Street; Toy Street.
- Holman Street:** 14600 west block. First "H" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names recall Jefferson County pioneers.
- Hooker Street:** 3200 west block. "H" street in the great Americans alphabet west of Zuni Street. Joseph Hooker was a commander of Union troops in Washington, D.C., during the Civil War. He regulated the prostitutes servicing the troops who were known as members of "Hooker's brigade." "Hooker" as a term for prostitute predates the Civil War, but was popularized by General Hooker's actions. Previously: Goodwin Avenue in Barnum; Lelia Avenue between West 8th and West 13th avenues; Columbus Street between West 13th and West Colfax avenues; Florence Street between West Colfax and West 20th avenues; Ash Avenue or Street between West 20th and West 26th avenues; Beacon Street between West 38th and West 46th avenues; 9th Street in Highlands; 10th Street in Berkeley; Canby Street north of West 48th Avenue; Hodge Avenue in Westminster. **South Hooker Street:** Elsie Avenue; Birch Avenue or Street between West Kentucky and West Florida avenues.
- Horton Court:** Diagonal road from approximately the 900 block of 54th Avenue to about the 1400 block of 58th Avenue. The road originally cut through to

Washington Street and was paralleled by the tracks of the Denver & Interurban Railway.

- Howard Place:** 1350 north block, sporadically between Decatur and Julian streets. It is the 1400 north block immediately west of Federal Boulevard. A section from Decatur Street to the Platte River is vacated. Mason W. Howard was a collaborator of William Jackson Palmer on the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad. Previously: Brick Avenue; Fairview Avenue or Street east of Decatur Street; West 14th Avenue.
- Howell Street:** 14700 west block. Second "H" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names sometimes recall Jefferson County pioneers. Carson Howell, a participant in the Sand Creek Massacre, homesteaded land south of West Colfax Avenue along Kipling Street in the 1860s.
- Hoye Place:** 1070 south block, between South Lipan and South Quivas streets.
- Hoyt Street:** 9500 west block. Second "H" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often commemorate Jefferson County pioneers. C. P. Hoyt was mayor of Golden in the early 20th century. Previously: Beverly Street between West Colfax and West 20th avenues; Sunset Avenue between West 20th and 26th avenues; Calhoun or Buckingham Street near West 6th Avenue.
- Hudson Street:** 5500 east block. First "H" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Named for the Hudson River and Hudson Bay. Previously: Erie Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Hollingsworth Avenue north of Colfax Avenue; 4th Street between 32nd and 35th avenues; Aller Avenue between 32nd and 38th avenues.
- South Hudson Street:** Conger Street; Mecca Street.
- Humboldt Street:** 1500 east block. Named for German scientist Alexander von Humboldt. Previously: Hunt Street between Colfax and Alameda avenues; Logan Street north of 29th Avenue; Lawrence or McLellan Street from 38th Avenue at Humboldt Street to 38th Avenue at Franklin Street; Powell Street in Elyria.
- South Humboldt Street:** Millington Street; Frances Avenue or Street.

**Huron Street:** 800 west block. Road half a mile west of Broadway. "H" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. The Huron Confederation consisted of four tribes. The French named these Native Americans "the people with bristly hair" or "people with the head of a wild boar." *Hure* is French for "the head of a wild boar"; *huron* figuratively means a "boor." An alternative account argues Huron derives from the Iroquois name of these Indians, *Irri-ronon*, cat nation, which became Hirron and hence Huron. It might also derive from the Iroquois *ronon*, nation. The Huron Indians called themselves the Wyandot. Previously: McNassar Street; Mary Avenue; Everett or Lamont Street between West 48th and West 52nd avenues; Forest Street. **South Huron Street:** Ament Avenue; South Clark Street in Breenlow Park; 5th Street between West Hampden and West Mansfield avenues. **South Huron Way:** Bluebonnet Avenue in Littleton.

**Ida Avenue:** 5800 south block. **West Ida Avenue:** Burton Street.

**Idaho Place:** 1450 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue.

**Idalia Street:** 15600 east block. Only "I" street in what is generally a Colorado city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Idalia is in Yuma County.

**Ider Street:** Designated the 25000 east block. First "I" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.

**Illiff Avenue:** 2300 south block. John Wesley Illiff was a Colorado cattle king. His widow helped establish the Illiff School of Theology at DU near this road. Previously: Warren Avenue or Street from South Colorado Boulevard to South Birch Street and in Breenlow Park; Humphrey Avenue or Humphreys Street between South Dahlia and South Holly streets; Madden or Hadden Avenue between South Holly and South Monaco streets. **West Illiff Avenue:** Huston Avenue west of South Pecos Street.

**Inca Street:** 900 west block; 800 west block in West Denver; 1000 west block in North Denver. "I" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. The Inca

were an Indian empire in Peru destroyed by the Spanish conquistadors. Inca was the Quechua term for king or prince. Previously: Corbett Street from West 29th Avenue to the Platte River; Willow Lane from West Colfax Avenue to the 1000 block; Clark Street from the 1000 block to West Bayaud Avenue; Edmand Street in North Denver. **South Inca Street:** South Clark Street from West Mississippi Avenue to the Platte River; Risling Avenue south of West Florida Avenue; 4th Street between West Hampden and West



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*In recent years, the city has placed the names of streets on sidewalks in lower downtown such as this sign of Larimer Street at 19th Street.*

Mansfield avenues. The section of the road south of West Evans Avenue is designated part of South Platte River Drive.

**Independence Avenue:** 1450 north block, between Simms and Union streets. Previously: Danbar Road.

**Independence Street:** 9600 west block. First "I" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names occasionally have a patriotic theme. Previously: Cemetery Hill between Grandview and West 58th avenues; Ridge Road between West 58th and West 66th avenues; Golden Avenue between West 66th and West 67th avenues; Oak Street; West Road in Arvada.

**Indiana Street:** 14800 west block. Road three miles west of Kipling Street. First "I" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where the roads are occasionally named for states. Originally designated Indian Street on the reorganization of Jefferson County streets. Previously: Elianor Road between West 44th and West 58th avenues; Perry Road north of West 64th Avenue.

**Indore Avenue:** 7450 south block. Extra "I" street in the alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road.

**Ingalls Street:** 6100 west block. "I" street in the Senator and Supreme Court Justice alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. John James Ingalls represented Kansas in the Senate between 1873 and 1891. Previously: 1st Street between West 10th and West Colfax avenues; Tyler or I Street in Edgewater; Buena Vista Avenue north of West 48th Avenue.

**Iola Street:** 10600 east block. First "I" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Iola, Colorado, is in Gunnison County. Previously: Kingsley Street.

**Iowa Avenue:** 1600 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue. Previously: King Street west of South University Boulevard; Brown Avenue from South Colorado Boulevard to South Dahlia Street; Fisher Street east of South Holly Street. **West Iowa Avenue:** Concord Avenue west of South Pecos Street. **Iowa Drive:** Pikeview Place.

**Iran Street:** 20200 east block. First "I" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the country.

**Ireland Street:** 20300 east block. Second "I" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the country.

**Iris Street:** 9700 west block. Second "I" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names sometimes denote flora. Previously: Wagner Road.

**Ironton Street:** 10700 east block. Second "I" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for the town in Ohio. Previously: Arnold Street.

**Irving Street:** 3300 west block. "I" street in the great Americans alphabet west of Zuni Street. Named for author Washington Irving. Previously: Blankman Avenue in Barnum; Fish Avenue in Villa Park; Cincinnati Street between West 13th and West Colfax avenues; Ann Street between West Colfax and West 20th avenues; Walnut Avenue or Street between West

20th and West 26th and West Kentucky and West Florida avenues; Ohio Avenue between West 26th and West 32nd avenues; Bosler Street between West 38th and West 46th avenues; Loretto Street north of 38th Avenue; 10th Street in Highlands; 11th or Edward Street in Berkeley; Irvin Avenue south of West 80th Avenue and in southwest Denver; University Avenue north of West 80th Avenue. **South Irving Street:** Robert Street.

**Irvington Place:** 050 north block. Originally named Commercial Place or Street from Broadway to Elati Street, paralleled by Agricultural Place (West Archer Place), the name was changed to Irving Place in 1895 for the Irving Investment Company. Soon thereafter it became Irvington Place. Previously: Unter den Linden or Linden Avenue from Rio Grande Boulevard to Lipan Street; Allyn Street directly east of the Platte River; Wylie or Wilie Place or Avenue or Street east of Federal Boulevard.

**Irvington Street:** Designated the 25100 east block. Second "I" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.

**Isabell Street:** 14900 west block. Second "I" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street. Originally designated Isabella Street on the reorganization of Jefferson County streets.

**Ithaca Avenue:** 3550 south block. "I" street, which is designated a half block, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Ithaca College is in Ithaca, New York. Also listed as **Ithica** or **Ithaca Place**. **West Ithaca Avenue:** Pearl Street.

**Ivan Way:** Approximately the 6050 west block. Extra "I" street in the alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard.

**Ivanhoe Street:** 5700 east block. First "I" street in the places, people, and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Named for the hero of a Walter Scott novel. Previously: Maine or Maryland Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Hawthorn or Hawthorne Street south of 6th Avenue; Cramer Avenue north of Colfax Avenue; Wilbur Avenue between 32nd and 38th avenues. **South Ivanhoe Street:** College Avenue south of Iowa Avenue.

**Ivory Court:** Approximately the 15550 east block. Extra "I" street in the double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street.

**Ivy Street:** 5800 east block. Second "I" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Previously: Irving Street south of 6th Avenue; New Hampshire Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Lynds Avenue north of Colfax Avenue; Williams Avenue between 32nd and 38th avenues. **South Ivy Street:** University Street south of Iowa Avenue.

**Jackass Hill Road:** Runs from South Prince Street to West Mineral Avenue. During World War I, an entrepreneur attempted to corner the local mule market in the hope of selling the animals to the military. He pastured the animals on the hill along this road, failing in this venture when the army refused to buy at his price. The war ended before his enterprise could turn a profit, whereupon the speculator was said to be the "jackass" of the whole affair. West Mineral Avenue west of the current Jackass Hill Road was once also considered part of Jackass Hill Road.

**Jackson Gap Street:** Designated the 25200 east block. First "J" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.

**Jackson Street:** 3800 east block. Named for President Andrew Jackson. Previously: Windsor Street south of 6th Avenue; Jackson Avenue; Jackson Place between Colfax and 17th avenues; Vine Street north of 26th Avenue; Episcopal Street between 32nd and 35th avenues; 13th Street north of the UP tracks. **South Jackson Street:** Colorado Avenue; Long Avenue between Florida and Jewell avenues; 15th Street between Jewell and Iliff avenues; Pearl Street between Iliff and Yale avenues; Thalia Street.



A typical Denver street scene in the 1920s, looking northeast on Curtis Street from 14th Street. A street sign is on the left, just behind the pedestrian crossing Curtis Street.

**Jamaica Street:** 10800 east block. First "J" street in the double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for the West Indies island. Previously: Emma Street.

**Jamestown Street:** Designated the 25300 east block. Second "J" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.

**Jamison Avenue:** 7600 south block. "J" street in the alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road. Previously: Montage Road.

**Jarvis Place:** 3650 south block. Extra "J" street in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Jarvis Christian College is in Hawkins, Texas.

**Jasmine Street:** 6000 east block. Second "J" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Previously: Massachusetts Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Prescott Street south of 6th Avenue; Cameron Avenue north of Colfax Avenue; Copley Avenue between 26th and 32nd avenues; Mitchell Avenue between 32nd and 38th avenues.

**Jason Street:** 1000 west block; 1100 west block in North Denver. "J" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. When the alphabetical pattern was imposed, Maloney could not pinpoint an Indian tribe whose name began with a "J" that sounded like an English "J." (The name of the Jicarilla Apache of New Mexico is roughly pronounced "he-kuh-ree-ah.") The street was named for Jason of classical antiquity, the leader of early gold seekers or argonauts. Previously: Montgomery Street near West 20th Avenue; Santa Fe Drive; Amanda Street; Converse Street north of West 35th Avenue; Geneva Avenue between West 35th and West 44th avenues; Wabash Avenue in Westminster.

**South Jason Street:** South 11th Street South south of the Platte River; Epperson Avenue south of West Mississippi Avenue; 3rd Street between West Hampden and West Mansfield avenues.

**Jasper Street:** 15700 east block. First "J" street in the Colorado community double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Jasper is in Rio Grande County.

**Java Court:** 3350 west block. Extra "J" street in the alphabet west of Zuni Street. Previously: Freeman Street.

**Jay Street:** 6200 west block. "J" street in the Senator and Supreme Court Justice alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. John Jay was the first chief justice of the United States, serving from 1789 until 1795. Previously: 2nd Street between West 10th and West Colfax avenues; Polk or J Street in Edgewater; Eastern Avenue south of West 32nd Avenue; Ruby Court between West 32nd and West 38th avenues.

**Jebel Street:** 20400 east block. First "J" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for Jebel Musa in Morocco, the mountain opposite the Rock of Gibraltar.

**Jefferson Avenue:** 3600 south block. "J" street, named for Thomas Jefferson, the founder of the University of Virginia, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Previously: Morse Avenue; Wendell Avenue.

**West Jefferson Avenue:** Main or Catherine Street in Englewood; Cottonwood Avenue; Railroad Boulevard west of South Sheridan Boulevard.

**Jellison Street:** 9800 west block. First "J" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. James S. Jellison was for many years a Jefferson County justice of the peace. Previously: Sunny Lane south of West 44th Avenue; Westmoor Avenue or Boulevard; Pike View Avenue between West 10th and West 13th avenues—today Pike View Street.

**Jericho Street:** 20500 east block. Second "J" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the city in the Middle East.

**Jerome Avenue:** First block south of Iliff Avenue, for a half block west of South Colorado Boulevard.

**Jersey Street:** 5900 east block. First "J" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Named for the Isle of Jersey. Previously: Vermont Avenue or Street.

**Jewell Avenue:** 1900 south block. Road two miles south of Alameda Avenue. Charles Jewell was an investor in early South Denver and the Denver Circle Railroad. This was the street which linked the Denver Circle Railroad at South Logan Street with Jewell Park, today's Overland Park. Previously: Arizona Street west of South Clarkson Street; Harvard Avenue east of South Downing Street; Grant Street east of South University Boulevard; Durbin Street from South Colorado Boulevard to South Dahlia Street; Moore Street east of South Dahlia Street. **West Jewell Avenue:** Morrison Road from South Pierce Street to South Wadsworth Boulevard.

**Johnson Street:** 9900 west block. Second "J" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. Samuel W. Johnson was a district attorney and district judge for many years. Gus Johnson was a five-term county commissioner.

**Joliet Street:** 10900 east block. Second "J" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Joliet, Illinois. Previously: Normal Street.

**Joplin Street:** 15800 east block. Second "J" street in the western city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Named for the town in Missouri.

**Jordan Drive:** Runs from about the 2400 block of West 68th Avenue to near the 7000 block of Samuel Drive in a section of Adams County developed by the Perl-Mack Corporation. Named for Jordon Perlmutter, the head of the Perl-Mack Corporation.

**Jordan Road:** Runs southeast from Belleview Avenue near South Peoria Street through the southeastern metropolitan area to West Parker Road in Douglas County. Previously: Cherry Creek or West Cherry Creek Road.

**Josephine Street:** 2300 east block. Named for Josephine Elbert Evans, the daughter of Territorial Governor John Evans, who married his assistant, Samuel Elbert. Previously: 2nd Avenue or Street in Swansea until 1887 when it became Banana Street; Shoop Street between 6th and 8th avenues. **South Josephine Street:** Sprague Avenue from Mississippi to Florida avenues; 5th Street between Mexico and Yale avenues.

**Joyce Street:** 15000 west block. First "J" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names sometimes recall Jefferson County pioneers.

**Julian Street:** 3400 west block. "J" street in the great Americans alphabet west of Zuni Street. George W. Julian, a key figure in American politics during the mid-19th century, represented Indiana in Congress. Previously: Helen Avenue in Barnum and southwest Denver; Wells Avenue in Villa Park; Hall Street between West 13th and West Colfax avenues; May Street between West Colfax and West 20th avenues; Willow Street between West 20th and West 26th avenues; McClain or McLain Street between West 38th and West 46th avenues; Belleview Avenue north of West 38th Avenue; 11th Street in Highlands; 12th or Austin Street in Berkeley; Ouray Street in Westminster. **South Julian Street:** Oak Avenue or Street between West Kentucky and West Florida avenues.

**Juniper Street:** 15100 west block. Second "J" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names often denote plants.

**Kalamath Street:** 1100 west block; 1000 west block in West Denver; 1200 west block in North Denver. "K"

- street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. Honors the Klamath Indians, of north-central California and south-central Oregon. Those making the street signs misspelled the name. It was seen to be too great of a problem to change the signs so the name officially became Kalamath. Previously: South 11th Street south of West Colfax Avenue which was South Ferry Street until 1873; Winne Street near the Platte River; Somands Street in North Denver; Merrill Street between West 33rd and West 44th avenues. **South Kalamath Street:** Manchester Avenue south of West Mississippi Avenue; South 10th Street South in Breenlow Park; Malta Street; 2nd Street between West Hampden and West Oxford avenues.
- Kalispell Street:** 15900 east block. First "K" street in the western city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Named for Kalispell, Montana.
- Kansas Place:** Approximately the 1150 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue.
- Katherine Avenue:** 1150 north block, between Simms and Urban streets.
- Kearney Street:** 6100 east block. First "K" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Named for Fort Kearney, and Kearney, Nebraska after General Stephen W. Kearny. (The extra "e" was added to the name by early settlers.) Previously: Connecticut Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Motley Street south of 6th Avenue; Rosekrans Avenue north of Colfax Avenue; Watertown Avenue between 28th and 32nd avenues; Valentine Avenue between 32nd and 38th avenues; Rose Avenue between 48th and 52nd avenues; Lincoln Street between 54th and 56th avenues; Mach Court north of 60th Avenue. **South Kearney Street:** Joseph Street between Exposition and Mississippi avenues.
- Keene Avenue:** Extra "K" street in the alphabet south of Yale Avenue, west of South Kipling Street.
- Kellerman Street:** 25400 east block. First "K" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.
- Ken Caryl Road:** 7500 south block, west of South Platte Canyon Road. Road leading to the Ken Caryl Ranch, which was named for Ken and Caryl, the two sons of the man who owned the land and the *Rocky Mountain News* in the 1910s and 1920s, John Shaffer. **West Ken Caryl Place:** Columbine Avenue.
- Kendall Street:** 6300 west block. "K" street in the politician alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. Amos Kendall, a close friend and advisor of President Andrew Jackson, served as Postmaster General from 1835 until 1840. Previously: Taylor or K Street in Edgewater; Schuller Route in Wheat Ridge; 3rd Street between West 10th and West Colfax avenues.
- Kendrick Street:** 15200 west block. First "K" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names sometimes recall Jefferson County pioneers. The Kendrick family settled the land west of the 1900 block of South Kipling Street.
- Kennedy Drive:** Runs from the 10750 block of Acoma Street to approximately the 10900 block of Claire Lane in Northglenn. The street was so designated before the assassination of John F. Kennedy.
- Kensing Court:** 1650 block in the downtown numbered streets, between Central and Boulder streets. Sometimes referred to as **Kensington Court**, the road supposedly recalls an early settler.
- Kent Place:** 3750 south block. Extra "K" street in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Kent State University is in Kent, Ohio. Previously: Kenyon Place west of South Xenia Street.
- Kenton Street:** 11000 east block. First "K" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Kenton, Ohio.
- Kentucky Avenue:** 900 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue. Previously: Quincy Street between South Kearney and South Monaco streets.
- Kenyon Avenue:** 3700 south block. "K" street, named for Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Previously: Dexter Avenue; Prairie Avenue. **West Kenyon Avenue:** Maple Street; Locust Avenue; Hanlon Avenue; Symes Street west of South Sheridan Boulevard.
- Kettle Avenue:** 7700 south block. "K" street in the alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road. Previously: Johnston Avenue west of South University Boulevard.
- Kewaunee Street:** Designated the 25500 east block. Second "K" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.
- Killarney Street:** 20600 east block. First "K" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the town in Ireland.
- Kilmer Street:** 15300 west block. Second "K" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers.
- King Street:** 3500 west block. "K" street in the great Americans alphabet west of Zuni Street. Rufus King was a 19th-century politician and diplomat. Previously: Barnum Avenue between West Alameda and West 8th avenues; Ernest Avenue between West 8th and West 13th avenues; Taggart Street between West 13th and West Colfax avenues; Hunley Street between West Colfax and West 20th avenues; Cedar Avenue or Street between West 20th and West 26th avenues; Grandview Avenue; Mackey Street between West 38th and West 46th avenues; Loyola Street between West 48th and West 50th avenues; 12th Street in Highlands; Pueblo Avenue in Westminster. **South King Street:** Ash Avenue or Street; Emma Avenue.
- Kingsley Avenue:** 8400 south block in the southwestern metropolitan area.
- Kingston Street:** 11100 east block. Second "K" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for the capital of Jamaica.
- Kipling Street:** 10000 west block. Road three miles west of Sheridan Boulevard. First "K" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where roads are occasionally named for literary figures. Honors author Rudyard Kipling. Previously: Howell Avenue south of West 44th Avenue; Lewis Lane north of West 44th Avenue; Oberon Road from the current Oberon Road to West 88th Avenue. **South Kipling Street:** Bear Creek Road.
- Kirk Street:** 20700 east block. Second "K" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the town in northeastern Scotland.
- Kittredge Street:** 16000 east block. Second "K" street in the Colorado community double alphabet begin-



ning at Abilene Street. Kittredge, in Jefferson County, was founded by Charles M. Kittredge.

**Kline Street:** 10100 west block. Second "K" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. Spelled Klein Street on the reorganization of the roads. Adrian "Dutch" Klein was an Arvada saloon owner. Jake Kline was an Arvada barber and home builder. Previously: Prospect Avenue or Street.

**Knox Court:** 3450 west block. Extra "K" street in the alphabet west of Zuni Street. Henry Knox was the country's first Secretary of War. Previously: Buchtel Avenue in Barnum; Tyndall Street; Washington Place in Villa Park; Cobb Street between West 8th and West 13th avenues; Erskine Street between West 13th and West Colfax avenues; Porter Avenue; Denver Avenue in Westminster. **South Knox Court:** Frost Avenue; Cedar Avenue or Street between West Kentucky and West Florida avenues.

**Krameria Street:** 6200 east block. Second "K" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. A krameria is a shrub whose roots are used for medicinal purposes. Previously: Rhode Island Avenue or Street south of Colfax Avenue; Howells Street south of 6th Avenue; Meade Avenue north of Colfax Avenue; Clark Avenue between 26th and 32nd avenues; Bachtell Avenue between 32nd and 38th avenues; Sherman Street between 54th and 56th avenues. **South Krameria Street:** Otis Street between Exposition and Mississippi avenues.

**La Salle Place:** 2550 south block. A half block in the college series of avenues near DU. La Salle University is in Philadelphia.

**Lafayette Street:** 1400 east block. Named for the Marquis de Lafayette. Previously: Inslee Street south of Colfax Avenue; Eyster Street between 4th and 6th avenues; Hoyt Street north of 29th Avenue; Larimer or Short Larimer Street from 38th Avenue to Franklin Street; Cline Street north of 46th Avenue; La Veta Street north of 54th Avenue. **South Lafayette Street:** Lillie Avenue or Street; Prospect Street south of Jewell Avenue.



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*Street signs were once placed near the second story of downtown buildings. Such a sign remained in place at the west corner of 15th and Wazee streets in the 1990s.*

**Lake Avenue:** 6000 south block. The road is adjacent to Ketring Lake in Littleton. **West Lake Avenue:** Grant or Ames Street from the railroad tracks to the Platte River; East and West Sharlor Drive; Aberdeen Lane; Vinewood Way.

**Lakeridge Road:** Runs northwest from about the 2650 block of South Tennyson Way to approximately the 2600 block of South Sheridan Boulevard, and then west to near Ward Reservoir #1.

**Lakeview Street:** 700 west block in Littleton. The first road east of Ketring Lake. Previously: South Galapago Street; South Hickory Street south of West Caley Avenue; North and South Sharlor Drive which later became South Lake Street.

**Lakewood Place:** 1550 north block, between Pierce and Reed streets.

**Lakewood Village Drive:** Road on the north side of Holbrook Park, from the 700 block of Everett Street to the 900 block of Garrison Street.

**Lamar Street:** 6400 west block. "L" street in the Senator and Supreme Court Justice alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. Lucius Q. C. Lamar served on the Supreme Court from 1888 to 1893. Previously: 4th Street between West 10th and West Colfax av-

enues; Fillmore or L Street in Edgewater; Nelson Avenue between Grandview and West 64th avenues; Graves or North Graves Avenue north of West 56th Avenue; Laveta Place.

**Langdale Street:** Designated the 25600 east block. First "L" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.

**Lansing Street:** 11200 east block. First "L" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Lansing, Michigan.

**Laredo Street:** 16100 east block. First "L" street in the western city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Named for the town in Texas. Previously: Jeanette Street.

**Larimer Street:** 1300 block downtown. William Larimer was the leader of the group that originally jumped the claim of the town of St. Charles, Kansas Territory, and which founded Denver City. Previously: 5th Street in Auraria.

**Lawrence Street:** 1200 block downtown. Charles A. Lawrence was a partner of William Larimer in establishing Denver. Previously: 6th Street in Auraria.

**Layton Avenue:** 4800 south block. Previously: Vanderbilt Avenue; Washburn Avenue.

**Leaf Court:** 050 east block, between 44th and 50th avenues. Begins with the same letter of the alphabet as the adjacent Lincoln Street. Previously: 7th Street which became North Lincoln Avenue in 1896; Lena Street.

**Lee Street:** 10200 west block. First "L" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. Brothers Henry and William Lee were key figures in early Jefferson County whose farm was where Crown Hill Cemetery is located.

**Leetsdale Drive:** Road running southeast from South Colorado Boulevard at Bayaud Avenue to South Quebec Street near Mississippi Avenue where it becomes Parker Road. John Leet once had a small settlement known as Leetsdale between South Oneida and South Quebec streets from Exposition to Mississippi avenues. From Colorado Boulevard to Alameda Av-

enue, the road was once designated Cherry Creek Drive.

**Lehigh Avenue:** 3800 south block. "L" street, named for Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Previously: Tulane Avenue; Pauling Avenue. **West Lehigh Avenue:** Oak Avenue or Street; Bowen Street west of South Sheridan Boulevard.

**Lehow Avenue:** Diagonal road between the 5160 block of South Broadway and the 400 block of West Prentice Avenue. Charles L. and Oscar Lehow were early Littleton settlers.

**Lewis Street:** 10300 west block. Second "L" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. William Lewis was a '59er whose farm was along Bear Creek. Leland and Beulah Lewis were active in the development of early 20th-century Arvada.

**Lewiston Street:** 16200 east block. Second "L" street in the western city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. There are numerous towns named Lewiston.

**Leyden Street:** 6300 east block. First "L" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Named for the city in the Netherlands. Previously: Curtis Street; New York Avenue or Street; Kaichen Avenue north of Colfax Avenue; Callahan Avenue between 32nd and 38th avenues; Grant Street between 54th and 56th avenues. **South Leyden Street:** Waldo Street between Exposition and Mississippi avenues.

**Libson Street:** 20800 east block. First "L" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the capital of Portugal.

**Lilley Avenue:** 5750 south block in Littleton. John G. Lilley was a Littleton pioneer. Previously: Mitchell Street.

**Lima Street:** 11300 east block. Second "L" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for the city in Ohio and Peru. Previously: Pueblo Street.

**Lincoln Avenue:** 9900 south block in Douglas County, east of the equivalent of Quebec Street.

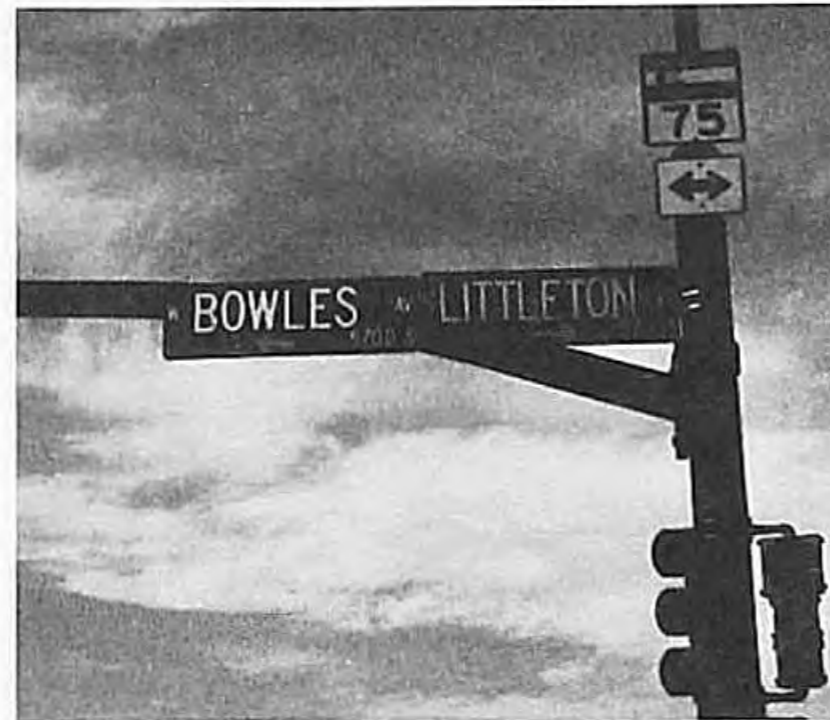


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*Streets frequently have a different name west of South Santa Fe Drive than they do to the east. This sign shows how the 5700 south block changes names as it crosses that dividing line. Littleton Boulevard becomes Main Street between South Rapp Street and the railroad tracks in the heart of Littleton. West Bowles Avenue curves south from South Santa Fe Drive and soon becomes the 5900 south block.*

**Lincoln Street:** 100 east block. Named for Abraham Lincoln by Henry C. Brown. Previously: Lincoln Avenue; 7th Street south of 44th avenue and 6th Street north of 44th Avenue—both of which became North Sherman Avenue between 43rd and 50th avenues in 1896; North Lincoln Avenue north of 50th Avenue—formerly Simms Street.

**Linden Court:** 6350 east block. Extra "L" street in the double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard.

**Linden Drive:** Spur from about the 5500 block of South Lowell Boulevard to approximately the 3450 block of West Monmouth Avenue. Begins with the same letter of the alphabet as the adjacent South Lowell Boulevard.

**Linley Court:** 3550 west block. Extra "L" street in the alphabet west of Zuni Street. Previously: Howard Street.

**Linvale Place:** Along with Linvale Avenue, the 2750 south block.

**Lipan Street:** 1200 west block; 1100 west block in West Denver; 1300 west block in North Denver. "L" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. The Lipan are a branch of the Apache Indians whose name derives from *Ipa-n'de*, "people," or "our kind." Previously: South 10th Street south of West Colfax Avenue which was South St. Louis or South San Luis Street until 1873; Barnes Avenue or Street from West 29th Avenue to the Platte River; Justina Avenue or Street north of 32nd Avenue. **South Lipan Street:** South 10th Street South from West Florida Avenue to the Platte River; South 9th Street South in Breenlow Park; Commercial Avenue; 1st Street between West Kenyon and West Oxford avenues.

**Little Raven Street:** Approximately the 2150 block downtown, authorized in 1992 to cut through southwest of 15th Street, along the right bank of the Platte River. Little Raven was an Arapahoe Indian leader during the Pikes Peak gold rush who was murdered at the Sand Creek Massacre.

**Little River Street:** Designated the 25700 east block. Second "L" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.

**Littleton Boulevard:** 5700 south block, from South Clarkson Street to the D&RGW tracks, and from South Rapp Street to South Santa Fe Drive. The street was formerly Littleton Broadway, the road linking Littleton with South Broadway. Littleton is named for town founder Richard S. Little.

**Liverpool Street:** 20900 east block. Second "L" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the city in England.

**Locust Street:** 6400 east block. Second "L" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Previously: New Jersey Avenue or Street; Vincent Street south of 6th Avenue; Burdsal Avenue north of Colfax Avenue; Star Avenue between 32nd and 38th avenues; Logan Street between 54th and 56th avenues. **South Locust Street:** Steward Street between Exposition and Mississippi avenues.

**Logan Street:** 400 east block. Named for John A. Logan, the Illinois senator who helped establish Fort Logan. Previously: Kansas Avenue; Logan Avenue; Cass Avenue south of 10th Avenue; 3rd Street which became North Pennsylvania Avenue between 44th and 46th avenues in 1896; Clark Place between 46th and 48th avenues.

**Long Avenue:** 7800 south block. "L" street in the alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road where road names sometimes have a Colorado theme. Stephen Long explored Colorado in 1820. Previously: Kremling Place from South Vine Street to South University Boulevard.

**Longfellow Place:** 6550 north block, from Federal Boulevard to Irving Street. Paralleled by West Hawthorne Place, the street is named for poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.

**Louisiana Avenue:** 1300 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue. Previously: Kountze Avenue east of South Monroe Street. **West Louisiana Avenue:** Gray Street from the Platte River to South Federal Boulevard; Barth Street west of South Federal Boulevard.

**Louthan Street:** 1700 west block in Littleton. Charles G. Louthan, mayor of Littleton in the 1930s, developed much of the property along this road. Previously: Logan Avenue; Davis Court. **South Louthan Way:** Hillcrest Avenue.

**Loveland Street:** 15400 west block. First "L" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names sometimes recall Jefferson County pioneers. William Austin Loveland was the major promoter of early Golden and the owner of Jefferson County's first railroad, the Colorado Central.

**Lowell Boulevard:** 3600 west block. Road half a mile west of Federal Boulevard. "L" street in the great Americans alphabet west of Zuni Street. Named for poet James Russell Lowell. Previously: Crittenden Avenue south of West 8th Avenue; Rothker or Rothacker Street between West 6th and West 10th avenues; Madison Street south of West Colfax Avenue; Potter Avenue between West 13th and West Colfax

avenues; Homer Boulevard; Lake Avenue or Boulevard; William Street between West Colfax and West 20th avenues; Spring Street between West 20th and West 26th avenues; Spruce Avenue between West 26th and West 44th avenues; Shaw Street between West 44th and West 46th avenues; Berkeley Avenue or Street north of West 46th Avenue; 13th Street in North Denver; Schiller Street; College Avenue in Westminster. **South Lowell Boulevard:** Gibson Street; Adams Avenue south of West Exposition Avenue.

**Lowry Place:** 750 north block, intermittently between Dayton and Kenton streets. The road is directly east of Lowry Air Force Base, a facility dedicated in 1938 and decommissioned in 1994, named for Francis Brown Lowry, a Denver flier killed in World War I.

**Lupine Street:** 15500 west block. Second "L" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names often denote plants.

**Lutheran Parkway:** Runs from about the 8400 block of West 32nd Avenue through the Lutheran Medical Center complex to approximately the 8300 block of West 38th Avenue. **Lutheran Parkway West** goes from near the 3400 block of Lutheran Parkway to the 8500 block of West 38th Avenue.

**Lyle Court:** 2150 west block, alley between Umatilla and Vallejo streets, from West 29th Avenue to West 32nd Avenue. Named by George Tritch when the land was platted in July 1881.

**Lynn Road:** Circular road east of South University Boulevard and north of Quincy Avenue. Previously: Circle Drive.

**Mabry Court:** 3650 west block. Extra "M" street in the alphabet west of Zuni Street.

**Macon Street:** 11400 east block. First "M" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Macon, Georgia.

**Madison Street:** 3500 east block. Named for President James Madison. Previously: Horner Street south of 6th Avenue; Madison Place between Colfax and 17th avenues; Pine Street north of 26th Avenue; Wilcox Street north of 29th Avenue; Plum Street between 38th

and 39th avenues; Redwood Street between 39th and 46th avenues; 12th Street in Swansea which was later 11th Street before becoming Orange Street in 1887. **South Madison Street:** Griswold Avenue between Mississippi and Jewell avenues; 13th Street between Jewell and Iliff avenues; Ellsworth Street between Iliff and Yale avenues; Annis Street.

**Magnolia Street:** 6600 east block. Second "M" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Previously: West End Avenue or Boulevard in Montclair; Levard Avenue; Ellet Street north of 38th Avenue; Ivan Street north of 72nd Avenue.

**Main Street:** 5700 south block, from the railroad tracks to South Rapp Street—the main street of historic Littleton.

**Malaya Street:** 21000 east block. First "M" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the peninsula in Southeast Asia.

**Malta Street:** 21100 east block. Second "M" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the Mediterranean island.

**Manitou Road:** Second block west of South Lowell Boulevard, sporadically from West Berry Avenue to West Hillside Place. Manitou is the great spirit of Algonquian tribes.

**Mansfield Avenue:** 3900 south block. "M" street, named for Mansfield University in Mansfield, Pennsylvania, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Previously: Cedar Avenue or Street; Clinton Avenue; Patterson Avenue; Lincoln Boulevard west of South Quebec Street. **West Mansfield Avenue:** Harriman Street west of South Sheridan Boulevard.

**Maple Avenue:** 150 south block. Named by William Newton Byers for a favorite tree.

**Maplewood Avenue:** 6100 south block. Previously: Peabody Street. **West Maplewood Avenue:** Maple Street.

**Mar Vista Place:** 325 south block, for a half block east of South Monaco Street. Previously: Hawaii Place.

**Marion Street:** 1300 east block. Josie Marion was a belle of early Denver. Previously: Gorsline Street

- south of Colfax Avenue; Park Street between 17th and 35th avenues; Vinta Street north of 54th Avenue.
- South Marion Street:** Farmer Avenue or Street south of Alameda Avenue; Logan Street south of Jewell Avenue. **South Marion Way:** Suez Drive.
- Mariposa Street:** 1300 west block; 1200 west block in West Denver; 1400 west block in North Denver. "M" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. *Mariposa* is Spanish for butterfly, a term Spanish explorers applied to a river in the San Joaquin Valley of California where numerous butterflies were present. Spaniards, in turn, labeled the Indians in the area the Mariposa. These Native Americans called themselves the *Yokuts*, meaning "person" or "people." Previously: South 9th Street south of West Colfax avenues which was South Cheyenne Street until 1873; Clifton Avenue or Street in North Denver; Morton Avenue north of 44th Avenue; Martin Avenue. **South Mariposa Street:** South 9th Street South north of West Florida Avenue; South 8th Street South in Breenlow Park; Atchison Street in Englewood.
- Market Street:** 1400 block downtown. Initially McGaa Street, it was renamed Holladay Street in 1866. During the 1870s, this road became the center of Denver's red-light district. When the Holladay family objected to being honored by such a boulevard, the road was renamed Market Street in 1887 to reflect that it was home to a certain kind of market.
- Marlowe Avenue:** Generally the 4700 south block, west of the 10100 west block. Nearby are **Marlowe Place** and **Marlowe Drive**.
- Marshall Street** 6500 west block. "M" street in the Senator and Supreme Court Justice alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. John Marshall was chief justice from 1801 to 1835. Previously: 5th Street between West 10th and West Colfax avenues; Pierce or M Street in Edgewater; Graves or South Graves Avenue from Clear Creek to West 56th Avenue.
- Martin Luther King Boulevard:** 3200 north block, the equivalent of 32nd Avenue between Downing Street and Stapleton Airport. Named for Martin Luther King in January 1980.
- Maryland Place:** 1350 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue.
- McIntyre Street:** 15600 west block. First "M" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names sometimes remember Jefferson County pioneers. William W. McIntyre was an early homesteader.
- Meade Street:** 3700 west block. "M" street in the great Americans alphabet west of Zuni Street. George Gordon Meade was a Union general during the Civil War. Previously: Genin Avenue in Barnum; Symmes Street between West 6th and West 10th avenues; Brown or Browne Street south of West Colfax Avenue; Winfield Avenue or Street north of West Colfax Avenue; 14th Street in North Denver; Laurel Avenue or Street between West 20th and West 26th avenues; Janet Street between West 29th and West 32nd avenues; James Street north of West 38th Avenue; Ewing Street; Willoughby or Wellington Street north of West 48th Avenue; Colorado Avenue in Westminster.
- Medea Way:** Runs from about the 2700 block of Bonnie Brae Boulevard to Ohio Avenue at South St. Paul Street. Begins with the same letter of the alphabet as the adjacent South Milwaukee Street. Medea was an enchantress in the story of Jason and the Argonauts.
- Memphis Street:** 16300 east block. First "M" street in the western city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Named for Memphis, Tennessee.
- Mexico Avenue:** 1700 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue, named for New Mexico and the Republic of Mexico. Previously: Cooper Street west of South University Boulevard; Washington Street east of South University Boulevard; Arthur Street from South Steele Street to South Colorado Boulevard; Indiana Avenue from South Colorado Boulevard to South Dahlia Street. **West Mexico Avenue:** Ward Avenue west of South Pecos Street.
- Milan Place:** 3850 south block. Extra "M" street in the alphabet south of Yale Avenue.
- Millbrook Street:** Designated the 25800 east block. First "M" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.
- Miller Street:** 10400 west block. First "M" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. Charles O. Miller owned the land north of West Colfax Avenue, west of Wadsworth Boulevard. Previously: Grout Avenue or Street.
- Milwaukee Street:** 3000 east block. Named for the city in Wisconsin. Previously: Patton Street between 1st and 6th avenues; St. James or St. Ann Street south of Colfax Avenue; Milwaukee Place between Colfax and 17th avenues; Finley Avenue north of 26th Avenue; 7th Street between 48th and 50th avenues and in Swansea where it was later 6th Street before becoming Fruit Street in 1887; 4th Avenue between 47th and 48th avenues; Warwick Avenue between 50th and 52nd avenues. **South Milwaukee Street:** Monte Carlo Avenue between Mississippi and Mexico avenues; 9th Street between Mexico and Yale avenues.
- Mineral Avenue:** 7900 south block, east of South Platte Canyon Road. "M" street in the Colorado county alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road. Mineral County is named for the area's foremost natural resource. Previously: Meeker Avenue west of South University Boulevard. **West Mineral Avenue:** Jackass Hill Road west of the current Jackass Hill Road.
- Minnesota Drive:** Diagonal street running near the south side of Cherry Creek from South Holly Street to about the 1400 block of South Locust Street, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue.
- Mississippi Avenue:** 1100 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue. Road three miles south of Colfax Avenue. Previously: Old Clark Road between South University and South Colorado boulevards; Sheridan or Sheldon Street between South Kearney and South Monaco streets. **West Mississippi Avenue:** Morrison Road from South Sheridan Boulevard to South Pierce Street.
- Missouri Avenue:** Approximately the 1150 south block, between South Dahlia and South Forest streets, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue.
- Mobile Street:** 16400 east block. Second "M" street in the western city double alphabet beginning at Abilene

Street. Named for the town in Alabama which recalls that the Mobile Indians once lived in the area.

**Moffat Place:** 5550 north block, between Vallejo and Zuni streets. Probably named for banker and railroad promoter David Moffat.

**Mohawk Road:** First road west of South Lowell Boulevard from West Berry Avenue to West Chimayo Road. The Mohawk Indians lived in western New York and were part of the Iroquois Confederation.



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*Morrison Road begins its on-and-off path to the town of Morrison under the Colfax Avenue Viaduct near Clay Street, close to Mile High Stadium and McNichols Arena. The city, which has demolished most of the old residential and commercial neighborhood by the athletic facilities, has added a sports motif to street signs in this area.*

**Moline Street:** 11500 east block. Second "M" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Moline, Illinois.

**Monaco Street Parkway:** 6500 east block. Road four miles east of Broadway. First "M" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Named for the principality in Europe, the road is often referred to as Monaco Street or Monaco Parkway. Officially designated Monaco Street Parkway between 40th and Quincy avenues in 1964. Previously: Bancroft Street; Goodyear Avenue north of Colfax Avenue; Olive Avenue or Street between 26th

and 32nd avenues; Waterman Avenue; Marygold Street; Sweet William Avenue between 48th and 52nd avenues; Harrison Street between 54th and 56th avenues. **South Monaco Street Parkway:** Davenport Street between Exposition and Mississippi avenues; Malcom Street south of Jewell Avenue; University Boulevard south of Mansfield Avenue.

**Moncrieff Place:** 3250 north block. Scottish name given by William Bell as part of the Highland Park development. Previously: Niagara Street west of Tennyson Street; Worth Street east of the Burlington Railroad tracks.

**Monmouth Avenue:** Along with **Monmouth Place**, an east-west road that runs sporadically parallel to Grand and Bellevue avenues.

**Monroe Street:** 3600 east block. Named for President James Monroe. Previously: Munroe Street or Place; Louise Street south of 6th Avenue; Rose Street between 1st and 6th avenues; Chestnut Street north of Colfax Avenue; Alice Street between 29th and 35th avenues; Wright Street between 39th and 40th avenues; Pine Street north of 40th Avenue; 13th Street in Swansea which was later 12th Street before becoming Plum Street in 1887; 15th Street between 52nd and 54th avenues. **South Monroe Street:** Long Avenue between Mississippi and Jewell avenues; 14th Street between Jewell and Iliff avenues; Babcock Street between Iliff and Yale avenues; Malcom Street; Lida Street south of Hampden Avenue.

**Montana Place:** 1750 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue.

**Montview Boulevard:** 2000 north block. The equivalent of 20th Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard. The name emphasizes the view of the mountains from Park Hill. Previously: Sanderlin Avenue between Dahlia and Yosemite streets; Mountview or Mount View Boulevard; Perry Avenue east of Monaco Street; North Avenue in Aurora.

**Moore Street:** 10500 west block. Second "M" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. Dr. Alice Moore was Arvada's first woman physician.

**Moraine Avenue:** 7600 south block in the southwestern metropolitan area.

**Morrison Road:** Diagonal road from South Knox Court at West Alameda Avenue to South Sheridan Boulevard at West Mississippi Avenue and southwest of about the 2300 block of South Wadsworth Boulevard to Morrison, Colorado. A section also runs from the 2700 block of West Colfax Avenue to West Howard Place and Decatur Street—previously Lilac Avenue or Court. George Morrison was a pioneer homesteader.

**Mosier Place:** 1150 south block, sporadically west of South Quivas Street. Begins with the same letter of the alphabet as the adjacent West Mississippi Avenue.

**Moss Street:** 15700 west block. Second "M" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names often denote plants.

**Mulberry Place:** 950 north block. Road parallel to Barberry Place. **West Mulberry Place:** Milleson Street; Buffalo Place or Street west of the Platte River.

**Muscadine Street:** Designated the 25900 east block. Second "M" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.

**Myrtle Place:** 1350 north block, near Umatilla Street (mostly vacated). Previously: Center Street or Centre Court; Monroe Street; Cedar Street.

**Napa Place:** 4050 south block. Extra "N" street in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Napa Valley College is in Napa, California.

**Nassau Avenue:** 4000 south block. "N" street in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Nassau Avenue is not named for a college, but for the capital of the Bahama Islands. Previously: College Avenue.

**West Nassau Avenue:** Pine Avenue or Street.

**Natches Court:** First road west of South Santa Fe Drive, sporadically south of West Hampden Avenue. Previously: Mill Street.

**National Western Drive:** Runs from near the 900 block of 46th Avenue through the old stockyards to approximately the 5000 block of Franklin Street. Originally named Packing House Road, its appellation was changed to honor the National Western Stock Show which gathers at the Denver Coliseum each January.

Most of the road is not an officially designated city street; the section directly north of 46th Avenue was accepted by Ordinance 106 of 1960.

**Navajo Street:** 1400 west block; 1300 west block in West Denver; 1500 west block in North Denver. "N" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. The name of these Indians derives from the Tewa *Návahu'u*, arroyo with cultivated fields. Previously: South 8th Street south of West Colfax Avenue which was South Arapahoe Street until 1873; Palmer Avenue or Street north of the Platte River; Central Street between West 38th and West 44th avenues; Cooper Street; Martha Street between West 44th and West 48th avenues. **South Navajo Street:** South 8th Street South in Valverde; South 7th Street South in Breenlow Park; Rio Grande Street in Englewood.

**Navarro Place:** 4025 south block. Extra "N" street in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Navarro College is in Corsicana, Texas.

**Nebraska Way:** Diagonal street from 1100 block of South Forest Street to the 1500 block of South Krameria Street, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue.

**Neil's Place:** 2850 north block, between Monroe and Garfield streets—also known as **Neil Place**. J. L. McNeil platted the area where the street runs. Previously: Vine Street.

**Nelson Street:** 10600 west block. First "N" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. Albert and Laura Nelson homesteaded 320 acres on Ralston Creek near Lamar Street and West 60th Avenue. Previously: Coleridge Road south of West Colfax Avenue.

**Nepal Street:** 21200 east block. First "N" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the country.

**Netherland Street:** 21300 east block. Second "N" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the country.

**Nevada Place:** 350 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue. **West Nevada Place:** Larnard Avenue or Leonard Street west of South Stuart Street.

**Nevada Street:** 2500 west block in Littleton.

**New Castle Street:** Designated the 26100 east block. Second "N" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.

**New Haven Street:** The equivalent of Delgany Street between 19th and Division streets. Old maps also list it as the vacated road parallel to Wewatta and Delgany streets, from approximately 18th Street to 20th Street.

**Newark Street:** 11600 east block. First "N" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Newark, New Jersey.

**Newbern Street:** 26000 east block. First "N" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road, at DIA. Also listed as New Born Street.

**Newcombe Street:** 10700 west block. Second "N" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. The street was originally spelled without the final "e." J. H. Newcomb was the founding president of the Arvada Presbyterian Church. Previously: Shadow Lane.

**Newland Street:** 6600 west block. "N" street in the Senator and Supreme Court Justice alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. Originally designated Newlands Street, named for Francis G. Newlands, who represented Nevada in the Senate between 1903 and 1917. Previously: 6th Street between West 10th and West Colfax avenues; Lincoln or N Street in Edgewater; Center or Centre Street between West 26th and West 32nd avenues; Elsie Street in Arvada.

**Newman Street:** 10750 west block. Extra "N" street in the alphabet beginning at Allison Street.

**Newport Street:** 6800 east block. Second "N" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Originally named Newport Avenue by Walter von Richthofen in honor of Newport, Rhode



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*Twenty-third Street has always been an arterial filled with shops, shelters, and row houses. Conspicuously lacking is a park atmosphere. Nonetheless, at the behest of speculators, the road was renamed Park Avenue West in 1990. Shown is the boulevard, looking southeast from where Market Street becomes Walnut Street.*

Island, the road was designated Nepita Street for the nepeta plant during the 1904 relabeling of the streets. Residents insisted that the road retain its old moniker, which also began with an "N." The street was renamed Newport Street in 1906. Previously: Ingersols Court from Richthofen Place to 11th Avenue; Arch Street north of 38th Avenue. **South Newport Street:** Warren Avenue south of Mansfield Avenue.

**Newton Street:** 3800 west block. "N" street in the great Americans and Englishmen alphabet west of Zuni Street. Named for Isaac Newton. Previously: Waldermere Avenue in Barnum; Skiff Street between West 6th and West 10th avenues; Vanarsdale Street in West Villa Park; Anne Street; 15th Street in North Denver; Wolff Street; Willow Avenue or Street between West 19th and West 26th avenues; Schiller Street north of West 48th Avenue; Orchard Place; Montezuma Avenue in Westminster. **South Newton Street:** Lecompte Avenue; McMurray Avenue between West Virginia and West Kentucky avenues.

- Niagara Street:** 6700 east block. First "N" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Named for Niagara Falls. Previously: Belleville, Bellville, or Bellevue Avenue; Little Street north of 38th Avenue; Napier Street. **South Niagara Street:** Sheridan Avenue south of Mansfield Avenue.
- Nichols Avenue:** 8000 south block. "N" street in the alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road where road names sometimes have a Colorado theme. Charles Nichols sought to establish the town of St. Charles in 1858 on the land that is today downtown Denver.
- Nielsen Lane:** Diagonal street from approximately the 3350 block of Yale Avenue to about the 3000 block of South Harrison Street.
- Nile Street:** 15800 west block. First "N" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names occasionally specify classical locations. A different **Nile Street** is the 11650 east block, south of 10th Avenue, an extra "N" street in the double alphabet east of Yosemite Street.
- Nome Street:** 11700 east block. Second "N" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Nome, Alaska.
- Norfolk Street:** 16500 east block. First "N" street in the Colorado community double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. The locale of Norfolk is in Larimer County.
- Norse Street:** 15900 west block. Second "N" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street. Originally designated Nobel Street on the reorganization of Jefferson County streets.
- Nucla Street:** 16600 east block. Second "N" street in the Colorado community double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Named for the town in western Colorado which was to be the nucleus of a new world.
- Oak Hill Street:** Designated the 26200 east block. First "O" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.
- Oak Street:** 4750 west block, from West Byron Place to West 26th Avenue. A different **Oak Street** is the 10800 west block, the first "O" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names sometimes denote trees. Previously: Carlson Lane; Dodge Lane; Davis Lane between West 64th and West 72nd avenues.
- Oakland Street:** 11800 east block. First "O" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for the city in California.
- Oberon Road:** Runs from about the 6150 block of Yarrow Lane to near the 6950 block of Kipling Street, mostly parallel to the D&RGW tracks. Oberon was the king of the fairies in medieval folklore.
- Odessa Street:** 21400 east block. First "O" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the Black Sea port.
- Ogden Street:** 1000 east block. Billy Ogden was the conductor on the first train into Denver in June 1870. Previously: Alta Street from Colfax Avenue to Cherry Creek; Venice Street south of Cherry Creek which later became South Alta Street; Olga Street between 51st and 52nd avenues; Vallejo or Vallejos Street north of 54th Avenue. **South Ogden Street:** Mountain View Street between Iliff and Harvard avenues.
- O'Hayre Court:** 10850 west block, south of West 32nd Avenue. Extra "O" street in the alphabet beginning at Allison Street. Members of the O'Hayre family farmed near Mount Olivet Cemetery and have lived on this road. Previously: Oak Court.
- Ohio Avenue:** 800 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue. Previously: Bryn Mawr Street near Washington Park; Lake View Avenue from South Franklin Street to South University Boulevard; Harrison Street between South Kearney and South Monaco streets.
- Ohm Way:** 750 south block, between South Milwaukee and South Steele streets. Begins with the same letter of the alphabet as the adjacent Ohio Avenue.
- Olathe Street:** 16700 east block. Second "O" street in the Colorado community double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. The Colorado town was named after Olathe, Kansas. *Olathe* is Shawnee for beautiful.
- Old Hammer Street:** Designated the 26300 east block. Second "O" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road.
- Olive Street:** 7000 east block. Second "O" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Previously: Spruce Street south of 6th Avenue; Saratoga Avenue; Willard Street north of 38th Avenue. **South Olive Street:** Jackson Avenue south of Mansfield Avenue.
- Oneida Street:** 6900 east block. First "O" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Named for Oneida, New York. The Indians had labeled the area Oneida for a large standing rock near one of the main villages of an Iroquois tribe. These Native Americans, in turn, were known as the Oneidas, meaning the "people of the stone" or "granite people." Previously: Pine Street south of Montclair; Geneva Avenue; Young Street north of 38th Avenue. **South Oneida Street:** Merrill Avenue south of Mansfield Avenue. **Oneida Place:** Geneva Place; Ruby Place.
- Ontario Avenue:** 6800 south block in the southwestern metropolitan area. First "O" street in the double alphabet south of Coal Mine Road.
- Orange Court:** 6950 east block, south of 5th Avenue. Extra "O" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard.
- Orchard Road:** 5900 south block, east of South Broadway. Road one mile south of Belleview Avenue. Previously: Orchard Avenue; Littleton Avenue; Long Road.
- Orchard Street:** 16000 west block. First "O" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names often denote plants. **Orchard Court:** 16050 west block. Previously: Hawthorne Avenue.
- Oregon Place:** 1650 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue.
- Orion Street:** 16100 west block. Second "O" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names occasionally specify figures from classical literature. Orion, a hunter in Greek mythology, is remembered by a constellation.
- Orleans Street:** 21500 east block. Second "O" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the city in France.

**Osage Street:** 1500 west block; 1400 block in west Denver; 1600 west block in North Denver. "O" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. Named for a western branch of the Sioux. Osage is a corruption of *Wazhazhe*, the tribe's name for itself, which has been translated as "water people," "land people," "sky people," and "name givers." Previously: South 7th Street south of West Colfax Avenue which was South Washington Street until 1873; South 6th Street from West 6th Avenue to the Platte River; Bell Avenue or Street in North Denver; Foster Street; Golden Avenue or Street north of West 38th Avenue; Harrison Street north of West 44th Avenue. **South Osage Street:** South 7th Street South between West Arkansas and West Florida avenues; South 6th Street South in Breenlow Park.

**Osceola Street:** 3900 west block. "O" street in the great Americans alphabet west of Zuni Street. Osceola was a Seminole Indian leader who lived between 1803 and 1838. Previously: Virginia Avenue or Fisher Street south of West 10th Avenue; Smiley or Sunley Street south of West Colfax Avenue; 16th Street in North Denver; Colorado Avenue or Street north of West Colfax Avenue; Cary Street; Rose Avenue or Street; Ogilvie Street north of West 48th Avenue; Hawthorne Avenue in Westminster.

**Oswego Street:** 11900 east block. Second "O" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Oswego, New York.

**Otero Avenue:** 8100 south block. "O" street in the Colorado county alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road. Otero County is named for Michael Otero, the founder of La Junta, Colorado.

**Otis Street:** 6700 west block. "O" street in the Senator and Supreme Court Justice alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. Harrison Gray Otis represented Massachusetts in the Senate between 1817 and 1822. Previously: Grant or O Street in Edgewater; 7th Street between West 10th and West Colfax avenues.

**Ottawa Avenue:** 6850 south block in the southwestern metropolitan area. Second "O" street in the double alphabet south of Coal Mine Road.

**Ouray Street:** 16800 east block. Second "O" street in the Colorado community double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. The town of Ouray honors a Ute leader who pushed for peace and collaboration with white settlers. Ouray means arrow.

**Owens Street:** 10900 west block. Second "O" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often remember Jefferson County pioneers. Q. A. Owens settled in the Arvada area in the 1860s. W. F. Owens settled in Mount Vernon in 1860.

**Oxford Avenue:** 4100 south block. "O" street, named for Oxford University, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Previously: East Military Avenue east of South Broadway; Logandale Avenue, Street, or Boulevard; Vernon Avenue east of South Colorado Boulevard. **West Oxford Avenue:** Fort Logan Broadway directly east of Fort Logan; Military Road west of South Irving Street.

**Pacific Place:** 2050 south block, in the series of half blocks named for seas between Jewell and Wesley avenues. Previously: Evergreen Street. **West Pacific Place:** 6th Street in Breenlow Park.

**Pagosa Street:** 17000 east block. First "P" street in the Colorado city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. The name of Pagosa Springs derives from the Ute word for "healing waters" or "hot waters."

**Panama Drive:** Runs from approximately the 6400 block of South Broadway to about the 6650 block of South Vine Street.

**Panorama Lane:** 2000 south block, the equivalent of Asbury Avenue between South Niagara and South Oneida streets.

**Parfet Street:** 11000 west block. First "P" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. George Parfet was a county commissioner. Previously: Brown Lane.

**Paris Street:** 12000 east block. First "P" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for the capital of France.

**Park Avenue:** Diagonal road from Colfax Avenue at Franklin Street to 20th Avenue at Washington Street

where it becomes 23rd Street. The latter road was renamed **Park Avenue West** in 1990. Park Avenue was laid out in 1874, designed to be an elite parkway lined by numerous small triangular parks.

**Park Place:** 2150 north block, between Vine and Race streets. The road was cut through by Frank Snell in 1902. **West Park Place:** 150 north block, from Clay Street to Federal Boulevard and from Young Court to Yates Street. Previously: South Park Street.

**Parker Road:** Runs southeast from Leetsdale Drive near South Quebec Street to Parker, Colorado, a town named for James S. Parker. Previously: East Cherry Creek Road.

**Parkhill Avenue:** 6150 south block in Littleton. Previously: Park Place west of the railroad tracks; Aberdeen Place.

**Parkview Drive:** Approximately the 450 north block from Del Mar Circle to Potomac Street. The road has a view of Del Mar Park.

**Patton Court:** 3950 west block, south of Morrison Road. Extra "P" street in the alphabet west of Zuni Street. Previously: Ghost Avenue; Western Avenue or Street.

**Payne Avenue:** 8500 south block in the southwestern metropolitan area.

**Peakview Avenue:** 6500 south block. Previously: Adams Avenue; Poplar Avenue from South University Boulevard to South Steele Street. **West Peakview Avenue:** Elm Road from South Acoma Street to Ridge Road.

**Pearl Street:** 600 east block. Named by developer John W. Smith for his granddaughter, Pearl Smith. Previously: 1st Street between 44th and 46th avenues; North Washington Avenue north of 46th Avenue.

**Pecos Street:** 1600 west block; 1700 west block in North Denver. Road one mile west of Broadway. "P" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. Named for Pueblo Indians who lived along the Pecos River in New Mexico. Pecos may derive from the Keresan *payokona*, "the place where there is water." Previously: Clear Creek Avenue in North Denver; Pinon or South 6th Street south of West Colfax Avenue; Walnut



Street. **South Pecos Street:** Lark Street south of the Platte River; South 7th Street South in Valverde; Platte Street or South 5th Street South between West Mississippi and West Yale avenues.

**Pennsylvania Street:** 500 east block. Named by developer John W. Smith for his home state. Previously: Pennsylvania Avenue; New York Avenue south of 10th Avenue; 2nd Street between 44th and 48th avenues which became North Pearl Avenue in 1896; North Pennsylvania Avenue north of 48th Avenue; Harrison Avenue north of 55th Avenue.

**Peña Boulevard:** Road connecting I-70 with DIA. A short stretch of the street in Aurora is **Airport Boulevard**. Federico Peña, mayor of Denver from 1983 to 1991, pushed for the new airport, promising that Denver residents would never have to pay for the controversial facility.

**Peoria Street:** 12100 east block. Road five miles east of Colorado Boulevard. Second "P" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for the city in Illinois. Previously: Gutheil Avenue north of Colfax Avenue; Boulder Street.

**Perkins Street:** Road one block northwest of Ringsby Court, runs northeast for about a block from 31st Street—technically vacated since 1950. G. W. Perkins was an early Denver attorney.

**Perry Street:** 4000 west block. "P" street in the great Americans alphabet west of Zuni Street. Oliver Hazard Perry commanded the United States forces at the Battle of Lake Erie during the War of 1812. Previously: Richmond Avenue in Barnum; Montgomery Street between West 6th and West 10th avenues; Gray Street near West Colfax Avenue; McCormic Avenue or Street north of West Colfax Avenue; 17th Street in North Denver; Prairie Street north of Sloans Lake; Sterling Avenue or Street north of West 38th Avenue.

**South Perry Street:** Short Street; South Patton Court between West Ohio and West Kentucky avenues.

**Perth Street:** 21600 east block. First "P" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the city in Australia or the county in Scotland.

**Peterson Court:** 1650 west block, between West 48th and West 49th avenues. **South Peterson Way** is between South Quiet Way and West Kentucky Avenue. Extra "P" street in the alphabet west of Broadway.

**Phillips Avenue:** 8200 south block. "P" street in the Colorado county alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road. R. O. Phillips organized numerous towns in eastern Colorado and is the namesake of Phillips County.



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*Polo Club Lane is a private street that runs through the Polo Club neighborhood, east of the 500 block of South University Boulevard. This exclusive residential enclave of Denver has its own street signs.*

**Picadilly Road:** 21700 east block. Road 11 miles east of Colorado Boulevard. Second "P" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the section of London.

**Pierce Street:** 6800 west block. Road one mile west of Sheridan Boulevard. "P" street in the politician alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. Franklin Pierce was president between 1853 and 1857. Previously: 8th Street or Country Club or Golf Club Road between West 10th and West Colfax avenues; Garfield or P Streets in Edgewater; Henderson Avenue or Street; Byrne Street north of West 44th Avenue; Highland Avenue from Ralston Road to West 64th Avenue.

**South Pierce Street:** Morrison Road between West

Mississippi and West Jewell avenues—formerly South Henderson Street.

**Pierson Street:** 11100 west block. Second "P" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. Designated Pearson Street upon renaming of the streets of Jefferson County, but the spelling "Pierson" soon supplanted "Pearson." Brothers Homer and Joe Pearson served on the county planning commission in the 1940s. Samuel E. Pierson lived between 1869 and 1936 and is buried in the Golden Cemetery. Previously: Sunset Park Lane.

**Pike Street:** 16200 west block. First "P" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names sometimes recall Jefferson County pioneers. The street might honor of Zebulon Pike, the eponym of Pikes Peak.

**Pike View Street:** The equivalent of Jellison Street between West 10th and West 13th avenues.

**Pimlico Avenue:** Approximately the 4650 south block, from West Union Avenue to South Lowell Boulevard. **Pimlico Drive** runs nearby from South Federal Boulevard to South Irving Street. Both roads were near the former Centennial Turf Club in an area where streets are frequently named for famous racetracks.

**Pinon Court:** 550 east block, for a block south of Warren Avenue.

**Pitkin Street:** 17100 east block. Second "P" street in the Colorado community double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. The town and Pitkin County are named for the state's second governor, Frederick Pitkin.

**Platte River Drive:** See South Platte River Drive.

**Platte Street:** 2400 block downtown. Runs parallel to the Platte River, a block northwest of the stream, northeast from about the equivalent of 14th Street, and is named for the river. Platte derives from the French word for flat, which is a translation of an Indian name of the river, the *ni bthaska*, the flat river. Previously: 1st Street northeast of 15th Street; 2nd Street southwest of 15th Street; Rockmont Drive northeast of 19th Street. Prior to the construction of I-25, the street connected with West Byron Place at Zuni Street.

**Pleasant Avenue:** 1250 north block, between Simms and Union streets.

**Plum Place:** 3050 south block, between South Dahlia and South Elm streets. Previously: Wells Place.

**Plymouth Avenue:** 6900 south block in the southwestern metropolitan area. First "P" street in the double alphabet south of Coal Mine Road.

**Pontiac Street:** 7100 east block. First "P" street in the places, people, and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Named for Pontiac, Michigan, whose eponym was the famous Ottawa Indian chief. Previously: Chestnut Street south of 11th Avenue; Manitou Avenue; Barry Street north of 38th Avenue; Kemp Boulevard in Commerce City. **South Pontiac Street:** Garfield Avenue south of Mansfield Avenue.

**Poplar Street:** 7200 east block. Second "P" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Previously: East End Boulevard or Avenue in Montclair; West End Boulevard or Avenue north of Montclair; Walnut Street south of Montclair; Chestnut Street north of 38th Avenue. **South Poplar Street:** Wallace Avenue south of Mansfield Avenue.

**Poppy Street:** 16300 west block. Second "P" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names often denote plants.

**Portland Avenue:** 6950 south block in the southwestern metropolitan area. Second "P" street in the double alphabet south of Coal Mine Road.

**Potomac Street:** Generally the 13700 east block, which runs as a service road on the west side of I-225 through central Aurora. It is approximately a mile east of Peoria Street. Previously: Gutheil Avenue or Street north of Colfax Avenue.

**Powers Avenue:** 5600 south block. David W. Powers was an early settler of Littleton. W. A. Powers was a turn-of-the-century Littleton trustee. Previously: Thomas Street; Alexander Avenue east of South Holly Street. **West Powers Avenue:** High Street in Littleton. **West Powers Place:** Williams Street.

**Powhaton Road:** 26500 east block. Road 14 miles east of Colorado Boulevard. Second "P" street in the double alphabet east of Gun Club Road. Powhaton

Indians lived on the eastern shore of Chesapeake Bay. Previously: Smith Farm Road.

**Prentice Avenue:** 5300 south block. **West Prentice Avenue:** Prentis Road or Avenue.

**Prescott Street:** 1900 west block in Littleton. The Prescott family helped Littleton get its first streetcar service. Previously: Sherman Avenue; North and South Sheri Lane.

**Prince Street:** 2400 west block in Littleton. Named by Littleton founder Richard Little in honor of his favorite horse. Previously: Willow Street south of West Lake Avenue. **South Prince Way:** South Sycamore Street.

**Princeton Avenue:** 4200 south block. "P" street, named for Princeton University, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Previously: Strauss Avenue.

**Progress Avenue:** 5200 south block. **West Progress Avenue:** May or Mary Street; Alyce Lane; Lininger Lane.

**Purdue Place:** 4250 south block. Extra "P" street, named for Purdue University, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue.

**Quail Street:** 11200 west block. First "Q" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street. Previously: Morningside Road.

**Quaker Street:** 16400 west block. First "Q" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street.

**Quari Street:** 12200 east block. First "Q" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Quarai, New Mexico, the site of a 17th-century Spanish mission.

**Quarles Avenue:** 7000 south block in the southwestern metropolitan area. First "Q" street in the double alphabet south of Coal Mine Road.

**Quarto Avenue:** 7050 south block in the southwestern metropolitan area. Second "Q" street in the double alphabet south of Coal Mine Road.

**Quartz Street:** 16500 west block. Second "Q" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names occasionally specify minerals.

**Quatar Street:** 21800 east block. First "Q" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road.

Named for the country in the Middle East. Also listed as Quater or Quarter Street.

**Quay Street:** 6900 west block. "Q" street in the Senator and Supreme Court Justice alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. Matthew Quay, a political boss in Pennsylvania, served in the Senate from 1887 until 1904.

**Quebec Street:** 7300 east block. Road two miles east of Colorado Boulevard. First "Q" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Named for the area in Canada. Previously: Oak Street near 6th Avenue; Hyde Park Avenue; Pink Avenue north of 50th Avenue. **South Quebec Street:** Sumner Avenue between Mansfield and Quincy Avenues; Happy Canyon Road south of Quincy Avenue—which once continued to Belleview Avenue. **South Quebec Way:** Parker or Lower Parker Road.

**Queen Street:** 11300 west block. Second "Q" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers.

**Quemoy Street:** 21900 east block. Second "Q" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the East Asian island. Designated **Quency Street** at DIA.

**Quentin Street:** 12300 east block. Second "Q" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Quentin, Pennsylvania, or for San Quentin, California.

**Quieto Court:** 1625 west block in North Denver. **South Quieto Court:** 1750 west block. Extra "Q" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. The Quito Indians were part of the Inca Empire in Peru.

**Quince Street:** 7400 east block. Second "Q" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Previously: Albion Avenue; May Avenue from 12th Avenue to Richthofen Place; Dayan Street south of 11th Avenue; Haskell Street. **South Quince Street:** Margie Lane.

**Quincy Avenue:** 4300 south block. Road five miles south of Alameda Avenue. "Q" street, named for Quincy College in Quincy, Illinois, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Previously: Breene Avenue; Airline Road east of Cherry Creek Reservoir.

**Quinn Place:** 4350 south block. Extra "Q" street in the alphabet south of Yale Avenue. **West Quinn Avenue** is the 7150 south block, between South Prince and South Curtice streets.

**Quintero Street:** 17200 east block. Only "Q" street in what is generally a western city double alphabet beginning with Abilene Street. Named for Quintero, Chile.

**Quitman Street:** 4100 west block. "Q" street in the great Americans alphabet west of Zuni Street. John Anthony Quitman, a politician and soldier, was a hero in the Mexican-American War. Previously: New York Avenue in Barnum; Bush Street between West 6th and West 10th avenues; 18th Street in North Denver; Myrtle Street between West 20th and West 23rd avenues; Inverness Street; Manning Street; Catalpa Avenue in Westminster.

**Quivas Street:** 1700 west block; 1800 west block in North Denver. "Q" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. Maloney stated that the Quivas Indians were a Venezuelan tribe. Quivas is the Spanish spelling of kivas, the plural of the name of the ceremonial-religious chamber of the Pueblo Indians. The Quivira Indians lived along the Arkansas River. Previously: Titus Street; Lark Street from the Platte River to West 8th Avenue; Witter Street between West 32nd and West 48th avenues; Vine Street. **South Quivas Street:** Monte Christo Street.

**Race Street:** 2000 east block. The road originally connected the racetracks of Ford Park at 38th Avenue and the fairgrounds near 41st Avenue. Previously: Goldsborough Street; Estes Street north of 43rd Avenue; Page Street from 4th Avenue to the Botanic Gardens and south of 26th Avenue; Woodie Street. **South Race Street:** Belford Street south of Alameda Avenue; Campus Street south of Jewell Avenue.

**Racine Street:** 12400 east block. First "R" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Racine, Wisconsin.

**Radcliff Avenue:** 4400 south block. "R" street, named for Radcliffe College in Cambridge, Massachusetts, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. **West Radcliff Avenue:** Cherry Avenue in Englewood.



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*In 1993, the city began a two-year project to dig a tunnel under Broadway along Speer Boulevard. Shown is work on the effort, looking west along the south side of Speer at Broadway.*

**Rafferty Lane or Gardens:** Approximately the 5300 south block, from South Broadway to South Delaware Street.

**Raleigh Street:** 4200 west block. "R" street in the great Americans and Englishmen alphabet west of Zuni Street. Named for explorer Walter Raleigh. Previously: Connecticut Avenue in Barnum; Hall Street between West 6th and West 10th avenues; Anderson Street; 19th Street in North Denver; Lorne Avenue or Street north of West 38th Avenue; Chestnut Avenue in Westminster.

**Ralston Road:** Runs from the 5800 block of Lamar Street to West 64th Avenue near Oak Street. Lewis Ralston was a pioneer prospector in the area in 1850. Previously: Ralston Avenue; Golden Avenue west of Wadsworth Boulevard; Boulder Farm Road.

**Randolph Place:** 5550 north block in Montbello.

**Rapp Street:** 2700 west block in Littleton. Named for Charles Rapp, a Littleton pioneer. Once a section of the Colorado Springs Highway from Main Street to West Fair Avenue. Previously: Clonmel Street.

**Raritan Street:** 1800 west block. "R" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. Named for a

branch of the Delaware Indians who lived in New Jersey near the Raritan River where "the stream overflows" or there is "a point of land." The section immediately south of West Colfax Avenue is designated Cottonwood Street. Previously: South 5th Street; Lee Avenue or Street; Crocker Street between West 6th and West 8th avenues; Maple Street between West 12th and West 14th avenues. **South Raritan Street:** Marjorie Avenue in Breenlow Park.

**Reading Court:** 7550 east block. Extra "R" street in the double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard.

**Reed Street:** 7000 west block. "R" street in the politician alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. Thomas B. Reed of Maine was the autocratic speaker of the House of Representatives in the late 19th century. Previously: East 4th or Dahlia Street in Arvada.

**Regis Boulevard:** 5000 north block, the equivalent of West 50th Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards where it is the southern border of the Regis University campus. The school is named for John Francis Regis, a French Jesuit missionary teacher. **Regis Road** is a short spur, about one block west of Federal Boulevard, going southwest from West 53rd Avenue.

**Reno Drive:** Road along the south side of the C&S tracks from Wadsworth Boulevard to Allison Street where it was previously Railroad Avenue, and the 5575 north block between Saulsbury and Otis courts. Louis A. Reno was a founder of Arvada.

**Revere Street:** 12500 east block. Second "R" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Revere, Massachusetts.

**Richard Allen Court:** 3800 east block, between 29th and 32nd avenues. The equivalent of Jackson Street, named in 1980 in honor of the founder of the African Methodist Episcopal (A.M.E.) Church, adjacent to the quarters of the Shorter A.M.E. Church.

**Richfield Street:** 17300 east block. First "R" street in the Colorado community double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Richfield is in Conejos County.

**Richthofen Place:** 1150 north block, east of Monaco Street. Walter von Richthofen, who developed the

- Montclair neighborhood, was a Prussian Junker. He built his Denver castle during 1883-87, located west of Pontiac Street between 12th Avenue and this road. Previously: Richthofen Boulevard; Concord Place; Frederick Avenue between Quebec and Quince streets; May Avenue between Quince and Roslyn streets; 11th Avenue east of Wabash Street.
- Ridge Road:** Runs intermittently along the north side of the C&S tracks between Allison and Independence streets. Previously: Kimbrough Lane. A different **Ridge Road** runs from about the 6850 block of South Broadway to past approximately the 6400 block of South Prince Street. It was once the southern limits of Littleton and was originally a stagecoach cutoff on the route from Castle Rock to the Platte River to Denver.
- Rifle Street:** 17400 east block. Second "R" street in the Colorado city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Rifle is in Garfield County on Rifle Creek.
- Ringsby Court:** Road on the left bank of the Platte River, between 31st and 38th streets. Named in 1957 for Bill Ringsby, whose trucking firm built up the area along the river in the early 1950s, on what had been designated as West Arkins Court in 1954. Previously: Sand Street.
- Rio Court:** Approximately the 1525 west block, between West Colfax and West 13th avenues, just west of Pecos Street, established by Ordinance 714 of 1949. Runs near the D&RGW tracks.
- Rio Grande Avenue:** Road along the west side of the D&RGW tracks, from West Chenango Avenue to Main Street. Once part of the Colorado Springs Highway.
- Rio Grande Boulevard:** Runs adjacent to the east side of I-25 from West 3rd Avenue and Osage Street to West Ellsworth Avenue and Lipan Street. Established by Ordinance 335 of 1964, the road is near the D&RGW tracks. Previously: Oakley Lane.
- River Drive:** Runs southeast for a block from West 23rd Avenue and Clay Street. The road originally continued to the Platte River in the Crescent Bluff area. Named to denote it was the road going to the river. Not to be confused with South Platte River Drive.
- Riviera Street:** 22000 east block. First "R" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the region on the Mediterranean Sea.
- Robb Street:** 11400 west block. First "R" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. Brothers John and James Robb were early homesteaders. Previously: Cedar Lane; Sunnyside Lane.
- Rogers Street:** 16600 west block. First "R" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names sometimes recall Jefferson County pioneers. Frank Rogers was an early rancher. Eugene W. Rogers homesteaded land along Ralston Creek in 1865.
- Rome Street:** 22100 east block. Second "R" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the Eternal City.
- Rosemary Street:** 7600 east block. Second "R" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Previously: Copley Street; Stirling Avenue. **South Rosemary Way:** Edith Lane near Mississippi Avenue; Highland Avenue; Oak or Oakland Street south of Harvard Avenue.
- Roslyn Street:** 7500 east block. First "R" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Roslyn (frequently spelled Rosslyn) Avenue was the name of nearby Syracuse Street until 1904. A road by that designation was kept upon the reorganization of the streets. There are towns of Roslyn in Pennsylvania, South Dakota, and Washington. Previously: Enos Street; Lulu Avenue; Glencoe Avenue; Stanborn Avenue between 16th and 17th avenues.
- Routt Street:** 11500 west block. Second "R" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names sometimes recall Colorado governors. John Routt was the first governor of the State of Colorado, serving from 1876 to 1879 and from 1891 to 1893. He was mayor of Denver from 1883 to 1885. Previously: Central Avenue.
- Rowland Avenue:** 7100 south block in the southwestern metropolitan area. First "R" street in the double alphabet south of Coal Mine Road.

- Roxbury Avenue:** 7150 south block in the southwestern metropolitan area. Second "R" street in the double alphabet south of Coal Mine Road.
- Russell Boulevard:** Together with **Russell Street** and **Russell Way**, a curving road in Thornton from near the 9050 block of Grant Street to about the 1900 block of Thornton Parkway. Actress Jane Russell helped dedicate Thornton in 1953. Three of her brothers were employed by F & S Construction, the development firm responsible for the city.
- Russell Street:** 16700 west block. Second "R" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names sometimes recall Jefferson County pioneers. The Russell brothers of Georgia headed argonauts who searched for gold in the Denver area during the summer of 1858, and who established the town of Auraria. One of them, Levi James Russell, was a pioneer Jefferson County physician. **Russell Way** in Arvada recalls the city's first mayor, Richard Russell.
- Rutgers Place:** Approximately the 4450 south block, between South Newton and South Tennyson streets. Extra "R" street, named for Rutgers University, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue.
- Sable Boulevard:** 14500 east block. Street nine miles east of Broadway. An old county road which was the main street of the small community of Sable. Previously: Sable Street; Tollgate Parkway.
- St. Francis Way:** Road from Speer Boulevard at Champa Street to 11th and Curtis streets on the Auraria campus in front of the St. Francis Interfaith Center. This new name for Champa and 11th streets was given in 1980.
- St. Paul Street:** 3100 east block. Named for the city in Minnesota. Previously: Ellis Street between 1st and 6th avenues; St. Francis Street between 6th and Colfax avenues; St. Paul Place between Colfax and 17th avenues; Clelland or Clellan or McClellan Avenue or Street north of 26th Avenue; 8th Street in Swansea which was later 7th Street before becoming Grape Street in 1887; Elsie Avenue between 50th and 52nd avenues. **South St. Paul Street:** Montezuma Avenue between Mississippi and Mexico avenues; 10th Street between Mexico and Yale avenues.

**Salem Street:** 12600 east block. First "S" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Salem, Massachusetts.

**Salida Street:** 17500 east block. First "S" street in the Colorado city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. The name of the Colorado community in Chaffee County derives from the Spanish word for "outlet" or "exit."

**Salvia Street:** 16800 west block. First "S" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names often denote plants.

**Samuel Drive:** Runs from West 70th Avenue at Pecos Street to about the 7400 block of Zuni Street. Named for Samuel Primack of the Perl-Mack Corporation which developed the area.

**Sandcreek Drive:** Road on the south side of I-225, between Dahlia and Quebec streets, parallel to Sand Creek of the Platte River.

**Sandown Road:** Service road on the north side of the UP tracks from Monaco Street to about 40th Avenue at Quebec Street, which was authorized in 1961. Sandown was once a tiny locale from the railroad tracks to 38th Avenue between Quebec and Syracuse streets.

**Santa Fe Drive:** Listed as the 1000 west block from West Colfax Avenue to West Alameda Avenue, it is the 900 west block in most of West Denver. Further south, it runs parallel to the Platte River and then the D&RGW and Santa Fe Railroad tracks. In some areas north of Colfax Avenue, Santa Fe Drive is the 1000 west block. Santa Fe Drive is the original road that headed south from Denver, eventually leading to the old Santa Fe Trail and Santa Fe, New Mexico. Its route has been continually modified. Parts of South Platte River Drive were once considered sections of South Santa Fe Drive as was Rio Grande Avenue. Previously: Santa Fe Trail, Avenue, or Street; Broadway; Jason Street south of West Colfax Avenue.

**South Santa Fe Drive:** South Delaware Street between West Mississippi and West Jewell avenues—formerly Benton Street and River Street; Main Street south of West Quincy Avenue; Grove Street in Littleton; Colorado Springs Highway.

**Saratoga Avenue:** Approximately the 4850 south block. The original section of the road was located about half a mile north of the former Centennial Turf Club where streets are frequently named for famous racetracks.

**Saulsbury Street:** 7100 west block. "S" street in the Senator and Supreme Court Justice alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. Willard Saulsbury represented Delaware in the Senate between 1859 and 1871. He was succeeded by his brother, Eli Saulsbury, who was in the Senate from 1871 to 1889. Willard Saulsbury's



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*Concrete obelisks once served as both street signs and bus stop indicators. Shown is such a marker, stripped of its name plates, at the southwest corner of 6th Avenue and Clermont Street.*

son, Willard Jr., served in the Senate from 1913 to 1919. Previously: Stocke Avenue from Ralston Road to Grandview Avenue; East 3rd or Cherry or Cedar Street in Arvada.

**Scott Place:** 4550 north block, west of Tejon Street and east of Peoria Street. Ira A. Scott platted the land west of Federal Boulevard near this street in 1881. Previously: Bison Street east of Clay Street.

**Scranton Street:** 12700 east block. Second "S" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Scranton, Pennsylvania.

**Sebring Court:** 7750 east block, south of Amherst Avenue. Extra "S" street in the double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard.

**Secrest Street:** 16900 west block. Second "S" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names sometimes recall Jefferson County pioneers. The Secrest family arrived in Arvada in 1882 and helped develop the area. It is also honored by **Secrest Drive**, the road one block west of the Wadsworth Boulevard Bypass, north of West 58th Avenue.

**Sedalia Street:** 17600 east block. Second "S" street in the Colorado community double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. The Colorado town was named in emulation of Sedalia, Missouri. That city's moniker derived from the nickname of town founder George R. Smith's daughter, Sed.

**Seminole Road:** Runs from Osage Street at West 6th Avenue to near the 1900 block of West 8th Avenue, in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. The Seminole are a Muskogean people whom Spaniards called the *Simaló-ni*, "the wild ones." Seminole might also mean separatist or runaway.

**Seneca Court:** 1850 west block. Extra "S" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. The Seneca were an Iroquois tribe and member of the Five Nations who lived in western New York. The name possibly means "standing stone people."

**Severn Place:** 750 north block. Begins with the same letter of the alphabet as the adjacent 7th Avenue. A Severn River flows into Chesapeake Bay, and another

Severn River is in Wales. Previously: 8th Avenue east of Dahlia Street.

**Shangri-La Drive:** A twisting road from near the 150 block of Leetsdale Drive to about the 4300 block of Cedar Avenue. Named by Harry Huffman to note that the mansion he built on the hill by the road was modeled after the Shangri-La lamasery of the popular 1930s movie *Lost Horizons*. Dedicated to the city in 1962.

**Shawnee Street:** 22200 east block. First "S" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named after Shawnee, Oklahoma, for the Shawnee Indians. The name of the tribe probably derives from *shanunogi* or *shananogi*, "southerner."

**Shepperd Avenue:** 5900 south block in Littleton, east of the railroad tracks. H. H. Shepperd was a four-term mayor of Littleton in the 1890s and early 1900s.

**Sheridan Boulevard:** 5200 west block. Road three and a half miles west of Broadway, the historic dividing line between Denver and Jefferson counties. It was to be the street to Fort Sheridan. The latter facility was dedicated as Fort Logan in 1888. The boulevard was named for General Philip Sheridan. Previously: County Line Road; Washington Street in Edgewater; Denver West Road; Sloan Avenue between West Colfax and West 20th avenues.

**Sherman Street:** 200 east block. Named for General William T. Sherman by Henry C. Brown. Previously: 6th Street south of 44th Avenue; 5th Street between 44th and 50th avenues which became North Grant Avenue in 1896; North Sherman Avenue north of 50th Avenue—formerly Harrison Street. **South Sherman Street:** Hill Street; Margo Court in Littleton. **South Sherman Circle:** Barbara Court.

**Short Place:** 450 north block, from Dale Court to Federal Boulevard and Vrain Street to Winona Court.

**Shoshone Street:** 1900 west block. "S" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. Shoshone (often spelled Shoshoni) Indians are a Great Basin tribe. Shoshone has been translated as "the grass people" or "snakes." They call themselves *Nomo*, people. Previously: South 4th or Vine or Vintage Street south of

West 14th Avenue; Camp Weld Street south of West 8th Avenue; Arlington or North 18th Street in North Denver; Bowers Street between West 38th and West 41st avenues. **South Shoshone Street:** Minor Street north of West Cornell Avenue; McCourt Street south of West Dartmouth Avenue.

**Sicily Street:** Designated the 22300 east block. Second "S" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the island.



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*The city declared Steele Street, between First Avenue and Cherry Creek North Drive, to be a "parkway" when it installed concrete pillars along the side of the road when it transformed the street into a speedway as part of the redesign of the area for the new Cherry Creek Shopping Center in the late 1980s.*

**Sidney Court:** Approximately the 7650 east block, south of Yale Avenue. Extra "S" street in the double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard.

**Simms Street:** 11600 west block. First "S" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. Leonard F. Simms homesteaded near West 10th Avenue and Wadsworth Boulevard. Previously: Daniels Avenue or Road south of West 26th Avenue; Arapahoe Road or Clark Street between West 64th and West 82nd avenues.

**Smith Road:** Runs parallel to the UP tracks from about 43rd Avenue and Colorado Boulevard to near Powhaton Road. The latter street was previously Smith Farm Road—both avenues went to the Smith Farm. Another account states that a Finney Smith lived along the road east of Colorado Boulevard. Officially designated by Ordinance 163 of 1949, before which it was sometimes called the Union Pacific Highway.

**Smoky Hill Road:** Runs southeast from about the 14200 block of Quincy Avenue to near the Douglas-Elbert county line. The Smoky Hill Trail was a path parallel to Cherry Creek into the Denver region from Kansas. The name reflected that the road ran along the Smoky Hill River in Kansas. The route of the main Smoky Hill Trail was approximately what is today Parker Road. Smoky Hill Road was part of the Smoky Hill Middle Trail, which was sometimes called the New Starvation Trail.

**Sobey Avenue:** 8950 south block in the southwestern metropolitan area.

**Sombrero Drive:** 4350 south block, between Bow Mar Drive and Sunset Drive, where streets are named for terms of the old West. Previously: Alamo Road.

**South Platte Canyon Road:** Colorado 75, between West Chatfield Avenue near the Chatfield Reservoir and South Lowell Boulevard at West Bowles Avenue south of C-470. Also known as Platte Canyon Road.

**South Platte River Drive:** Road parallel to the Platte River from West Bayaud Avenue to just south of West Hampden Avenue. The road once extended northward where parts of it became the right-of-way for the

- Valley Highway. North of Ellsworth Avenue it was known as **Platte River Drive**. Previously: South Inca Street south of West Evans Avenue.
- Southmoor Drive:** Runs from approximately the 100 block of South Kearney Street to the 050 block of Locust Street on the north side of Crestmoor Park. The Crestmoor neighborhood was laid out with twisting roads in the hope of emulating a romantic Scottish Highlands village.
- Speer Boulevard:** Road along Cherry Creek from 1st Avenue and Downing Street to near 14th and Blake streets, and then northwest to Irving Street at West Moncrieff Place. Robert Speer was mayor of Denver when this road was initially laid out as a parkway, connecting the Denver Country Club with the old city hall at Cherry Creek and Larimer Street. Previously: Cherry Creek Drive until 1908; B Street at West Colfax Avenue; 14th Street between Blake and Umatilla streets; West 27th Avenue between Umatilla and Zuni streets was part of Speer Boulevard prior to the coming of the Valley Highway; Lake Place, Avenue, or Drive in North Denver—formerly Bosler Drive—which shows up on very early maps as part of the Old Prospect Trail; Forest Drive on the south side of Cherry Creek.
- Spotswood Street:** 2000 west block in Littleton. Robert J. Spotswood was a major figure in the development of Littleton. Previously: Lincoln Avenue.
- Spruce Street:** 7800 east block. Second “S” street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Previously: Melrose Avenue; Arch Street.
- Stanford Avenue:** 4500 south block. “S” street, named for Stanford University, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. **West Stanford Avenue:** Malcom Avenue in Englewood.
- Stapleton Drive:** Service road along I-70 between Dahlia and Oneida streets near Stapleton Airport. The airfield was named for Mayor Benjamin Stapleton.
- Steavenson Place:** Approximately the 4620 north block, between Vine and Gaylord and York and Columbine streets, just north of 46th Avenue by I-70. John J. Steavenson was a civil engineer who platted the land.
- Steele Street:** 3200 east block. Road two miles east of Broadway. While probably named for Robert W. Steele, the governor of the Jefferson Territory, the road might honor Dr. Henry K. Steele, a pioneer physician, or a different Robert W. Steele who platted some of the nearby land. Previously: Hall Street south of 6th Avenue; Washington Street between 6th and Colfax avenues; Park Place between Colfax and 17th avenues; Walnut Street north of 26th Avenue; Jennie Street north of 29th Avenue; Lemon Street between 38th and 39th avenues; Cedar Street in Swansea; Allen Avenue south of 40th Avenue; 9th Street between 52nd and 54th avenues and in Swansea where it was later 8th Street before becoming Hazel Street in 1887; Elizabeth Avenue between 48th and 52nd avenues. **South Steele Street:** Julien Street; Monterrey Avenue between Mississippi and Mexico avenues; Coke Street between Iliff and Yale avenues; Nevada Road south of Belleview Avenue.
- Stetson Place:** 4550 south block. Extra “S” street in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Stetson University is in De Land, Florida.
- Stoll Place:** 5050 north block, between Osage and Shoshone streets and east of Peoria Street. **West Stoll Place:** West 50th Place.
- Stout Street:** 800 block downtown. Elisha P. Stout was a founder of Denver City and the first president of the Denver Town Company. Previously: 9th Street in Auraria.
- Stuart Street:** 4300 west block. “S” street in the great Americans alphabet west of Zuni Street. Named for Thomas B. Stuart, a 19th-century Denver politician and lawyer. Previously: Pequonnock Street in Bar-num; Walker Street between West 6th and West 10th avenues; Cooper Street south of West 17th Avenue; 20th Street in North Denver; Holly Street between West 22nd and West 23rd avenues; Dumbarton Avenue north of West 38th Avenue.
- Swadley Street:** 11700 west block. Second “S” street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. W. R. Swadley, a ’59er, was an early settler of Arvada.
- Sycamore Street:** 2300 west block in Littleton, where streets are sometimes named for trees. Previously: Harrison Street.
- Syracuse Street:** 7700 east block. First “S” street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Named for the city in Sicily and the city in New York. Previously: Roslyn or Rosslyn Avenue; Henry Street. **South Syracuse Way,** the main street of Sullivan, Colorado, was previously: Sullivan Road; Main Street; Cherry Creek or West Cherry Creek Road.
- Tabor Street:** 11800 west block. First “T” street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names sometimes recall Colorado governors. Horace Tabor was lieutenant governor from 1879 to 1883, and served for one month in the United States Senate in February-March 1883. Previously: Lees Lane from West 44th Avenue to Ridge Road.
- Taft Street:** 11900 west block. Second “T” street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often commemorate Jefferson County pioneers. F. S. Taft was the manager of the Midwest Tire Company, a manufacturing concern in early Arvada. Previously: Phillips Avenue.
- Tamarac Street:** 8000 east block. Second “T” street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. A tamarack is a type of pine tree. Previously: Oxford Avenue.
- Taos Way:** Runs from the 1200 block of South Shoshone Street to the 1950 block of West Mississippi Avenue. Extra “T” street in the alphabet west of Broadway.
- Tejon Street:** 2000 west block. “T” street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. Named for Indians living in Mexico in the mid-18th century, whom Spaniards called the *Tejones*, “badgers” or “raccoons.” Previously: Beggs Lane; Goss Street; North 16th Street between West 30th and West 44th avenues; Bowers Street north of West 44th Avenue. **South Tejon Street:** South 5th Street South in Valverde; Hazard Avenue in Breenlow Park; Scott Street south of West Floyd Avenue.

**Teller Street:** 7200 west block. "T" street in the Senator and Supreme Court Justice alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. Henry M. Teller represented Colorado in the Senate from 1876 to 1882 and from 1885 to 1909. Previously: Grandview Avenue north of West 13th Avenue; Boulder Street south of West 32nd Avenue; Pioneer Street south of West 38th Avenue; Mountain View Place from Ralston Road to West 59th Avenue.

**Telluride Street:** 17700 east block. First "T" street in the Colorado city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Telluride is in San Miguel County.

**Temple Drive:** 4650 south block. Extra "T" street, named for Temple University in Philadelphia, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue.

**Temple Street:** 22400 east block. First "T" street in the double alphabet east of Tower Road. Also listed as Tempe Street.

**Tennessee Avenue:** 1000 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue. Previously: Bellevue Avenue between South Kearney and South Monaco streets.

**Tennyson Street:** 4400 west block. Road three miles west of Broadway. "T" street in the great Americans and Englishmen alphabet west of Zuni Street. Named for English poet Alfred Tennyson. Previously: Gage Street between West 6th and West 10th avenues; Prospect Avenue in West Villa Park; Maple Avenue or Street between West 13th and West 17th avenues; Greenwood Avenue or Street; Lake Street; 21st Street in North Denver; Canby Street north of West 38th Avenue; Berkeley Street; Delaware Street.

**Terry Street:** 17000 west block. First "T" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names sometimes recall Jefferson County pioneers. Originally designated Tory Street on the reorganization of Jefferson County streets.

**Teton Avenue:** 8600 south block. "T" street in the alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road where the roads are often named for western locations.

**Thompson Court:** 2650 east block, sporadically north of 43rd Avenue. Walter Thompson was an official of the Mouat Lumber Company; the firm's yards were

near 46th Avenue and this street. Previously: Thompson Street; 4th Street in Swansea which was later 3rd Street before becoming Cherry Street in 1887; Dunham Place between 44th and 45th avenues; 5th Avenue north of 46th Avenue; Eden Court between 47th and 48th avenues; Caroline Avenue between 50th and 52nd avenues.

**Thornton Parkway:** Runs from West 92nd Avenue at Huron Street to approximately the 9600 block of Washington Street and then sporadically eastward to Steele Street. Dan Thornton was governor when the town of Thornton was established in 1953.

**Thrill Place:** 3250 north block, between Dahlia and Holly Streets. Starts with the same letter of the alphabet as the adjacent 32nd and 33rd avenues. Previously: Forest Avenue.

**Tibet Street:** Designated the 22500 east block. Second "T" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the country.

**Titan Court:** 12950 east block. Extra "T" street in the double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. It is Titan Street directly north of 2nd Avenue.

**Toledo Street:** Extra "T" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street, from about 10th Avenue and Yuba Street to approximately the 12975 block of 3rd Avenue. Elsewhere it is Toledo Court.

**Torrey Street:** 17100 west block. Second "T" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names sometimes recall Jefferson County pioneers. Originally designated Tulip Street on the reorganization of Jefferson County streets, and occasionally referred to as Tulys Street.

**Tower Road:** 18500 east block. Road two miles east of Chambers Road, where the KOA radio tower was once situated near Colfax Avenue. Previously: Miller Street.

**Tremont Place:** 400 block downtown. The Tremont House was an early Auraria hotel. Originally known as Clancy Street—also spelled Clancey Street, and then Glancy or Glency Street—the road was named Tremont Street in 1874 which later became Tremont Place. For some years, the avenue was called Fremont

Street after the "pathfinder," John C. Frémont, who explored Colorado in the 1840s and 1850s. Northeast of 20th Avenue, the byway was originally known as Waverly Street, and was later designated Grant Street or Grant or North Grant Avenue.

**Trenton Street:** 7900 east block. First "T" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Named for Trenton, New Jersey. Previously: Victoria Avenue.

**Troy Street:** 12800 east block. First "T" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for the city in New York and in classical antiquity.

**Truckee Street:** 17800 east block. Second "T" street in the western city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Named for Truckee, California.

**Tucson Street:** 12900 east block. Second "T" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Tucson, Arizona.

**Tufts Avenue:** 4600 south block. "T" street, named for Tufts University in Medford, Massachusetts, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. **West Tufts Avenue:** Raymond Street in Englewood.

**Uinta Street:** 8200 east block. Second "U" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. The Uinta are a branch of the Ute Indians. There is a Uinta mountain range in Utah. Uinta possibly means "pine land." Previously: Boston Avenue; Pueblo Avenue; Clarence Street north of Colfax Avenue; Reed Street between 17th and 19th avenues. **South Uinta Way:** Hillcrest Drive.

**Ukraine Street:** 22600 east block. Only "U" street in what is generally an exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the region in eastern Europe.

**Ulster Street:** 8100 east block. First "U" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Named for the section of Ireland. Previously: Cambridge Avenue.

**Ulysses Street:** 17200 west block. First "U" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names occasionally honor literary figures. Ulysses is the hero of the *Odyssey*.



**Umatilla Street:** 2100 west block. "U" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. The Umatilla are a branch of the Shahaptian Indians living on the Umatilla River and near the Columbia River in Oregon. The name refers to a tribal village where there were "many rocks." An older account claims Umatilla derived from *U-a-talla-la*, "the sand blew bare in heaps." Previously: South 3rd Street; Ann Street near the Platte River; Mary Avenue in North Denver; Forest Street north of West 26th Avenue; Bert Street between West 38th and West 44th avenues; Van Camp Street north of West 41st Avenue; Ridgley Avenue or Street. **South Umatilla Street:** Scott Street.

**Umbur Street:** Designated the 17300 west block, the equivalent of Utah Street in Arvada.

**Union Avenue:** 4700 south block. "U" street, named for Union College in Schenectady, New York, in the college alphabet south of Yale Avenue. Previously: Mayer Avenue or Street.

**Union Street:** 12000 west block. Between West 6th and West Jewell avenues, the road is an arterial referred to as **Union Boulevard**. First "U" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names occasionally have a patriotic theme. Previously designated: Future Boulevard.

**University Boulevard:** Generally, the 2350 east block, south of 6th Avenue. Road one and a half miles east of Broadway, leading to DU. Previously: York Street south of 6th Avenue until 1907; University Avenue until 1917. **South University Boulevard:** East Broadway; Saville Street between Alameda and Kentucky avenues; 4th Street between Jewell and Yale avenues.

**Uno Court:** 4450 west block. Extra "U" street in the alphabet west of Zuni Street. Previously: Wabash Avenue from West Wells Place to West 13th Avenue.

**Upham Street:** 7300 west block. "U" street in the Senator and Supreme Court Justice alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. William Upham represented Vermont in the Senate between 1843 and 1853. Previously: Pioneer Street north of West 38th Avenue; Emma Street from Ralston Road to Grandview Avenue; East 2nd or Birch Street in Arvada.



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*Thornton has decorated its street signs with the city's logo. At night, at major intersections, such street signs light up. The city was named for Dan Thornton, the governor of Colorado between 1951 and 1955.*

**Uravan Street:** 17900 east block. Only "U" street in what is generally a Colorado community double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Uravan, in Montrose County, was a center of uranium and vanadium mining.

**Urban Street:** 12100 west block. Second "U" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. Previously: Zall Street; Pierce Street near West Colfax Avenue.

**Ursula Street:** 13000 east block. First "U" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for a locale in Kansas. The road is designated **Sharon A. Lane Drive**, for a military nurse during the Vietnam War, north of Colfax Avenue, where it is the entrance to Fitzsimons. Previously: Fitzsimons Drive.

**U.S. 36:** The Denver-Boulder Turnpike, northwest of the 7200 block of I-25 to Boulder. Dedicated in 1952 as a toll road. The toll was lifted in 1967.

**Utah Place:** 1825 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue.

**Utah Street:** 17300 west block. Second "U" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where the roads are occasionally named for states.

**Ute Avenue:** 8700 south block. "U" street in the alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road where road names often have a western theme. The Ute Indians were the inhabitants of western Colorado at the time of the Pikes Peak gold rush. They called themselves the *Nünt'z*, the people.

**Utica Street:** 4500 west block. "U" street in the alphabet west of Zuni Street. Named for Utica, New York, after Utica, an ancient city in northern Africa near Carthage. Previously: Avenue G between West 1st and West Bayaud avenues; Burgess Avenue or Street north of West 6th Avenue; Pine Avenue or Street between West 8th and West 17th avenues; Creston Street south of West 17th Avenue; 22nd Street in North Denver; Earl Street between West 26th and West 32nd avenues; Andes Street between West 32nd and West 37th avenues; Water Street in Berkeley. **South Utica Street:** Jefferson Avenue or Street south of West Alameda Avenue.

**Uvalda Street:** 13100 east block. Second "U" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Uvalda, Georgia.

**Valdai Street:** Designated the 22700 east block. First "V" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for a city in Russia.

**Vale Drive:** Road parallel to the north side of Cherry Creek from South Flamingo Court to South Holly Street. Runs in the Virginia Vale neighborhood, one of the many sections of Denver which sought to project a quaint Scottish image.

**Valentia Street:** 8300 east block. First "V" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Named for Valencia, Spain. Previously: Greeley Avenue; Manchester Street; Hamlin Street.

**Vallejo Street:** 2200 west block. "V" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. No major North American tribe has a name beginning with a "V." Named for Vallejo, California. The eponym of that town was Mariano Guadalupe Vallejo, a major landowner who supported the Bear Republic during the Mexican-American War. Previously: Bert Street north of West 26th; Gray Street north of West 38th Avenue; Wall

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Street north of West 44th Avenue; San Francisco Avenue or Street or Ivy or Florence Street near the Platte River. **South Vallejo Street:** Evelyn Street. **Valley Highway:** I-25 in Denver. The road was initially to run in the South Platte River Valley.

**Van Gordon Street:** 12200 west block. First "V" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. Originally designated View Point Street on the reorganization of Jefferson County streets, the name was changed to Van Gordon Street in February 1946 for the Van Gorden (sic) family whose members long served as water commissioners. Previously: Center Street; Middle Street.

**Vance Street:** 7400 west block. "V" street in the Senator and Supreme Court Justice alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. Zebulon Baird Vance was the governor of North Carolina during the Civil War and represented the state in the Senate from 1879 to 1894. Previously: Kiefer Lane; Valley Way; Centre Street between West 20th and West 26th avenues.

**Vandeventer Avenue:** Designated the 8800 south block. "V" street in the alphabet south of Arapahoe Road.

**Vasquez Boulevard:** Diagonal road northeast of the 2700 block of 46th Avenue which is part of U.S. 6/85 north of Denver. Authorized by Ordinance 91 of 1939. Louis Vásquez was an early Colorado trapper.

**Vassar Avenue:** 2600 south block. Runs in the college series of avenues near DU. Vassar College is in Poughkeepsie, New York. Previously: Kirkfield Street from South Broadway to South Pearl Street; Dayton Avenue or Street; Wright Street from South Colorado Boulevard to South Birch Street. **West Vassar Avenue:** Brighton Avenue west of South Tejon Street. **Vassar Drive:** Central Street southwest of South Syracuse Way.

**Vaughn Street:** 13200 east block. First "V" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. There are nine towns named Vaughn in the United States.

**Ventura Street:** 18000 east block. Only "V" street in what is generally a western city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Named for Ventura, California.

**Verbena Street:** 8400 east block. Second "V" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Previously: Boulder Avenue; Unsworth Street.

**Versailles Street:** Designated the 22800 east block. Second "V" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the suburb of Paris.



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*Glendale is an independent town, surrounded by Denver, south of Alameda Avenue and east of South Colorado Boulevard. It has decorated its street signs with special motifs. Here is such a sign at the 4600 block of Virginia Avenue.*

**Victor Street:** 13300 east block. Second "V" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Victor, Colorado, was established in the 1890s during the Cripple Creek gold rush on land once owned by Victor C. Adams.

**Viewpoint Road:** Runs north of the 12200 block of West Colfax Avenue to Urban Street. Previously: High Point Street. **Viewpoint Drive** runs from about the 850 block of Welch Street to near the 900 block of Van Gordon Street.

**Villanova Place:** 2650 south block. A half block adjacent to Vassar Avenue, named for Villanova University, in the college series of avenues near DU.

**Vincennes Court:** 8350 east block. Extra "V" street in the double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard.

**Vine Street:** 2100 east block. Named by M. Simpson McCullough after Vine Street in Philadelphia, which is parallel to Race Street in that city in the same manner that Vine Street is one block east of Race Street in Denver. Previously: Legge Street in Elyria. **South Vine Street:** Pitkin Street; 1st Street between Jewell and Evans avenues; Hunt Street south of Iliff Avenue; Emiline Avenue.

**Violet Street:** 17400 west block. First "V" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names often denote plants.

**Virgil Street:** 17500 west block. Second "V" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names occasionally specify literary figures. Virgil was a famous poet in classical Rome.

**Virginia Avenue:** 500 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue. **West Virginia Avenue:** Belleview or Bellview Avenue west of South Stuart Street.

**Vivian Street:** 12300 west block. Second "V" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names sometimes recall Colorado governors. John C. Vivian, of Golden, was governor between 1943 and 1947. Previously: Dennis Lane or Street near West Colfax Avenue; Linn Lane or Street.

**Vrain Street:** 4600 west block. "V" street in the great Americans alphabet west of Zuni Street. Ceran St. Vrain was an early Colorado trapper and trader. Previously: Avenue F between West 1st and West Bayaud avenues; Upsala Street near West 8th Avenue; Cleveland Street between West 8th and West 11th avenues; Mountain View Avenue between West 11th and West 13th avenues; Lafayette Street between West 13th and West 17th avenues; 23rd Street in North Denver; Park or Wightman Street from West Byron Place to West 26th Avenue; Lake Street from West Byron Place to West 32nd Avenue; Sloane Street between West 29th and West 32nd avenues; Sierra Nevada Street between West 32nd and West 37th avenues; North Street in Berkeley.

**Wabash Street:** 8500 east block. First "W" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. The Wabash River is a tributary of the Ohio River. Previously: Gunnison Avenue; Tonge Street; Peekskill Avenue.

**Waco Street:** 18100 east block. First "W" street in the western city double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Waco, Texas, honors the Waco Indians, an exterminated Caddoan tribe closely associated with the Wichita Indians. Waco has been translated as "a river bend in a sandy place."

**Wadsworth Boulevard:** 7600 west block. Road five miles west of Broadway. Second "W" street in and the effective end of the Senator and Supreme Court Justice alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. Benjamin Franklin Wadsworth was the founder of Arvada, Colorado. Previously: Centre Street; Sheridan Avenue or Boulevard; Deviny Road. **South Wadsworth Boulevard:** Morrison Road from West Jewell Avenue to the current Morrison Road.

**Wagon Trail Drive:** Road sporadically one block south of West Union Avenue. The original section of the street was in Bow Mar where the streets are often named for images and events of the West.

**Walden Street:** 18200 east block. Second "W" street in the Colorado community double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Mark A. Walden was the eponym of Walden in Jackson County.

**Walnut Street:** 1400 block downtown, east of 23rd Street and west of Cherry Creek. Once Holladay Street, by the 1870s sections of the road had emerged as the center of Denver's red-light district. The street was renamed Market Street in 1887 to reflect that it was a certain kind of market. Those who did not live on the prostitution stretch of Market Street wanted a different name for their avenue which became Walnut Street east of 23rd Street in 1899, and west of Cherry Creek in 1903. Originally: McGaa Street east of 23rd Street; Downing Avenue east of Downing Street; 4th Street in Auraria.

**Walsh Place:** 750 south block. **West Walsh Place:** Jefferson Avenue or Street; Toledo Place; West Expo-

sition Avenue from South Quitman Street to Morrison Road.

**Ward Road:** 12400 west block, north of West 29th Avenue. First "W" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. Originally Ward Road, the street was designated Welch Street on the reorganization of Jefferson County streets. In the northern parts of Jefferson County, it retained the appellation Ward Road. William S. Ward helped dig an early Lakewood irrigation gulch. Previously: Cook Road between West 44th and West 66th avenues.

**Warner Place:** 4780 north block, between Bannock and Galapago streets.

**Warren Avenue:** 2200 south block. Runs near DU where roads sometimes honor dignitaries of the Methodist Church to note that Methodists helped establish the college. Henry White Warren was the first Methodist bishop of Colorado. Previously: Lee Avenue or Street; Elm Avenue or Street east of South Colorado Boulevard. **West Warren Avenue:** Boston Avenue in Breenlow Park.

**Washington Street:** 700 east block. Named for George Washington. Previously: Canal Street; Pleasant Avenue south of 10th Avenue; Cheyenne Avenue between 20th and 26th avenues—later Pierpont Street; Watervliet Street in Globeville; Argo or Rankin Road north of 52nd Avenue.

**Water Street:** 2300 block downtown. Runs parallel to the Platte River, a block northwest of the stream, from about the equivalent of 14th Street to West 23rd Avenue. Named for the presence of the water. Previously: 1st street; Viaduct Street between 14th and 15th streets; West 23rd Avenue between Zuni and 14th streets.

**Wazee Street:** 1600 block downtown. Wazee is an Indian word of unknown meaning. Supposedly named for William McGaa's mistress. Previously: 3rd Street in Auraria; Walter Court between 20th and 21st streets; McDuffee Court between 22nd and 23rd streets; Potter Court between 23rd and 24th streets; Depot Avenue or Street east of 24th Street.

**Weaver Avenue:** 6400 south block. D. S. Weaver served as mayor of Littleton in 1891-92. Previously: Maple Street west of South Steele Street. **West Weaver Avenue:** Weaver Road. **Weaver Place:** 6450 south block. Previously: Oak Street.

**Webster Street:** 7500 west block. "W" street in the Senator and Supreme Court Justice alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. Daniel Webster served in the Senate from 1827 to 1841 and 1845 to 1850. Previously: East 1st or Park Street in Arvada; Alder Street from Ralston Road to Grandview Avenue.

**Weir Drive:** Runs from the 4800 block of West Alameda Avenue to the 4500 block of West Bayaud along the east side of Weir Gulch Park. Often spelled Wier Drive, after James W. Wier who, on June 1, 1889, platted the land near where the gulch flows into the Platte River.

**Weir Street:** 17600 west block. First "W" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names sometimes recall Jefferson County pioneers. Occasionally spelled Wier Street.

**Welby Road:** Runs from about the 2700 block of 86th Avenue to approximately the 9600 block of Colorado Boulevard. Welby, Colorado, established by the land company of the Denver, Laramie & Northwestern Railroad, was named for Arthur E. Welby, the vice president of the railroad, which sought to link Denver with Seattle.

**Welch Street:** 12400 west block, south of West Colfax Avenue. North of West 60th Avenue, Welch Street is one block west of Ward Road. First "W" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often remember Jefferson County pioneers. Charles Clark Welch was a founder of Lakewood. With R. J. Welch and Jeannette Welch Denison, he laid out Welchester near Wide Acre Road and this street. Previously: Barrows Road south of West Colfax Avenue; Lindy Lane.

**Weld Avenue:** Designated the 8900 south block. "W" street in the Colorado County alphabet beginning at Arapahoe Road. Weld County is named for Lewis Weld, the first secretary of the Colorado Territory.

**Wells Place:** 1250 north block, between Tennyson and Wolff Streets. Ebenezer Wells was a local judge.

**Welton Street:** 600 block downtown. N. W. Welton was a founder of Denver City.

**Wenatchee Street:** 22900 east block. First "W" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. The town of Wenatchee, Washington, recalls the Wenatchee Indians, a Shahaptian tribe whose name means "water coming out."

**Wesley Avenue:** 2400 south block. The street runs near DU where roads sometimes honor dignitaries of the Methodist Church to note that Methodists helped establish the college. John Wesley was the founder of Methodism. Previously: Ellis Avenue; Packard Street east of South Colorado Boulevard; Ingersol Avenue or Street between South Dahlia and South Holly streets.

**West Wesley Avenue:** Arlington Avenue west of South Clay Street.

**West Street:** 17700 west block. Second "W" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names sometimes recall Jefferson County pioneers. George West was an early Golden editor, booster, and military figure.

**Weston Court:** Runs for about two blocks southwest from 31st Street, directly northwest of the Platte River. Previously: River Street. The road has technically been vacated since 1950.

**Westwood Drive:** A curving road running from about the 2200 block of 4th Avenue to the 2000 block of 5th Avenue.

**Wewatta Street:** 1800 block downtown. William McGaa named the road for his Oglala Sioux wife. Wewatta has been erroneously translated to mean "short and fat." It might mean "clear water." Previously: 1st Street in Auraria.

**Wheeling Street:** 13400 east block. First "W" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Wheeling, West Virginia.

**Wide Acres Road:** Runs southwest from West Colfax Avenue at Urban Street to South Golden Road where it again intersects with West Colfax Avenue. Previously: South or Old Golden Avenue or Road.

**Wilkerson Street:** Designated the 17700 west block, the equivalent of West Street in Arvada.

**Williams Street:** 1800 east block. Andrew J. Williams, an early Denver settler, was one of the city's first merchants. Previously: Logan Street; Willemsen Street between 20th and 26th avenues; Main Street north of 20th Avenue; Nelson Street north of 46th Avenue. **South Williams Street:** Wyatt Street south of Alameda Avenue; Hayes Street south of Jewell Avenue; Howe Street.

**Willow Street:** 8600 east block. Second "W" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Previously: Montrose Avenue; Bushell Avenue. **South Willow Street:** South Xanthia Street. **South Willow Way:** South Verbena Street.

**Wilson Court:** 3450 east block, between 30th and 31st avenues.

**Windermere Street:** Road on the east side of the railroad tracks, parallel to South Santa Fe Drive, between West Kenyon and West Tufts avenues. South of Tufts, it is the 1600 west block. Windermere was once a separate community south of Littleton, founded by Avery Gallup. Previously: South Santa Fe Lane or Topeka Court or Colorado Avenue or Boulevard in Englewood; South Pecos Street south of West Tufts Avenue; Railroad Street.

**Windsor Drive:** Runs from the 4600 block of West Bayaud Avenue on the west side of Weir Gulch Park to about the 4900 block of West Alameda Avenue. Begins with the same letter as the adjacent Wolff Street.

**Windy Street:** 17800 west block, south of 60th Avenue. The equivalent of Xebec Street in Arvada.

**Winnipeg Street:** 23000 east block. Second "W" street in the exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for the city in Canada.

**Winona Court:** 4700 west block. Extra "W" street in the great Americans alphabet west of Zuni Street. Winona was a personal name used by the Sioux, usually given to a first-born daughter, meaning "little woman." A prominent Sioux woman by that name came to the attention of the whites during the removal

of the Winnebagos in 1848. The moniker was first popularized as "Wenona" by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow in *Hiawatha* and then in H. L. Gordon's poem *Winona*. Previously: Avenue E between West 1st and West Bayaud avenues; Oak Street; Dan Street between West 13th and West Colfax avenues; 24th Street in Berkeley; Grandview Avenue; Logan Street; Cedar Avenue; Vermont Street north of West 88th Avenue.

**Wisconsin Drive:** 1400 south block, near South Simms Street. Nearby is **Wisconsin Avenue**, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue.

**Wisteria Court:** 8550 east block. Extra "W" street in the double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Previously: South Willow Court.

**Wolcott Court:** 4850 west block. Extra "W" street in the alphabet west of Zuni Street. Members of the Wolcott family were major figures in late 19th- and early 20th-century Colorado, including Ed Wolcott who served in the United States Senate from 1889 to 1901.

**Wolff Street:** 4800 west block. "W" street in the alphabet west of Zuni Street. Hiram G. Wolff once owned much of the land north of Sloans Lake. Previously: Avenue D between West 1st and West Bayaud avenues; Park Avenue or Street; 24th Street in Highlands; 25th Street in Berkeley; Elaine Street; Lake Avenue or Street; Lane Street; Walnut Avenue or Street; Rose Street from West Byron Place to West 32nd Avenue; Blaine Avenue or Street between West 29th and West 32nd avenues; Mohawk Street between West 32nd and West 37th avenues.

**Worcester Street:** 13500 east block. Second "W" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for the city in Massachusetts.

**Wright Street:** 12500 west block. Second "W" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. Originally designated Wight Street upon the reorganization of the names of Jefferson County streets, the appellation of what had previously been the 8800 west block. Bayne Wright served on the county planning commission in the 1940s.

**Wyandot Street:** 2300 west block. "W" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. Wyandot was the name the Huron Indians called themselves, which possibly means "the peninsula people" or "island dwellers." Previously: South 2nd Street; Mulberry Street; Harrison Street between West 8th and West 11th avenues; Milton Street from West 8th Avenue to West Mulberry Place; Julian Street or Milleson or Millison Avenue south of West 8th Avenue; Vincent Street in North Denver; Gray Street between West 27th and West 38th avenues. **South Wyandot Street:** Dye Street; Logan Street.

**Wynkoop Street:** 1700 block downtown. Sometimes initially spelled Wyncoop Street. Named for Edward W. "Ned" Wynkoop, the first sheriff of Arapahoe County and an organizer of the Denver Town Company. He pronounced his name "wine-koop." Descendants usually pronounce the name "win-koop." Previously: 2nd Street in Auraria; Fulton Street between 19th and 23rd streets.

**Wyoming Place:** 1350 south block, in the state series south of Alameda Avenue.

**Xanadu Street:** 13600 east block. First "X" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Xanadu is a mythical city mentioned in Samuel Coleridge's poem *Kubla Khan*.

**Xanthi or Xanthia Street:** 8700 east block. First "X" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Originally designated Xanthi Street, named for a town in Greece, it later generally became known as Xanthia Street. Previously: Cuncliffe Avenue or Street; Silverton Avenue.

**Xapary Street:** 13700 east block. Second "X" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Possibly named for Xapuri, Brazil.

**Xavier Street:** 4900 west block. "X" street in the alphabet west of Zuni Street. Francis Xavier, a 16th-century Spaniard, was a Jesuit missionary to the East Indies. Previously: Avenue C between West 1st and West Bayaud avenues; Fairbury Avenue or Street; Locust Street; 25th Street in Highlands; 26th Street in Berkeley.



*Beginning in December 1948, the city installed new white-on-black, pressed metal street signs. These remained in place until the mid-1960s when they were replaced by the current white-on-green signs.*

**Xebec Street:** 17800 west block. First "X" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street. A xebec is a small, three-masted sailing vessel.

**Xenia Street:** 8800 east block. Second "X" street in the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Named for the city in Ohio, from the Greek word for hospitality. Previously: Alamosa Avenue; Hamilton Street.

**Xenon Street:** 12600 west block. First "X" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street. Xenon is atomic element 54, an inert gas.

**Xenophon Street:** 12700 west block. Second "X" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names occasionally honor literary figures. Xenophon was a writer and general in ancient Greece.

**Xinca Court:** 2325 west block. "X" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. Named for a tribe in southeastern Guatemala. Previously: Thurman Street.

**Xylon Street:** 17900 west block. Second "X" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street.

**Yakima Street:** Designated the 23100 east block. Only "Y" street in what is generally an exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for Yakima, Washington, after the Yakima Indians whose name has been translated to mean "runaway," "people of the gap," "growing family," or "the pregnant ones."

**Yale Avenue:** 2700 south block. Road three miles south of Alameda Avenue, which was the southern boundary of the Town of South Denver, in the college series of avenues near DU. Previously: Steward Street from South Broadway to South Pearl Street; Harrison Avenue; Southridge Parkway; Giles Street east of South Colorado Boulevard; Gorman or Grommon Street east of South Holly Street. **West Yale Avenue:** Harris Avenue.

**Yampa Street:** 18300 east block. Only "Y" street in what is generally a Colorado community double alphabet beginning at Abilene Street. Yampa is in Routt County.

**Yank Street:** 12900 west block. Second "Y" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names occasionally have a patriotic theme. Originally designated Yule Street on the reorganization of Jefferson County streets. Previously: Walrex Street; Easy Street.

**Yankee Street:** 18000 west block. First "Y" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names occasionally have a patriotic theme.

**Yarrow Street:** 7800 west block. Second "Y" street in the alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard that originally followed Xerxes (Yukon) Street. Named for the herb. Previously: Bayard Street; Norwood Street between West Colfax and West 20th avenues; Choate Street from Ralston Road to Grandview Avenue; West 2nd or 2nd Street in Arvada.

**Yates Street:** 5000 west block. "Y" street in the great Americans alphabet west of Zuni Street. Richard Yates represented Illinois in the United States Senate from 1865 to 1871. Previously: Avenue B between West 1st and West Bayaud avenues; Beech Avenue

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near West Colfax Avenue; Lark Avenue between West Colfax and West 17th avenues; Lake, Lake View, or Lakeview Avenue; 26th Avenue in Highlands; 27th Street in Berkeley; Park Avenue from West Byron Place to West 26th Avenue; Stella Street between West 26th and West 32nd avenues; Maple Street; Savannah Street between West 32nd and West 37th avenues.

**York Street:** 2400 east block. Named by M. Simpson McCullough in 1872 in emulation of York Street in Philadelphia after York County, Pennsylvania, which honored the British Duke of York. Previously: Swansea Avenue or Apple Street or 1st Avenue or Street in Swansea. **South York Street:** Tippecanoe Street south of Alameda Avenue; 3rd Street between Jewell and Evans avenues; Eliot or Elliot Street south of Iliff Avenue; Frederick Avenue.

**Yosemite Street:** 8900 east block. Road three miles east of Colorado Boulevard, which was the original Denver-Aurora border. Only "Y" street in and the end of the places and plants double alphabet east of Colorado Boulevard. Named for the region in California which derives from an Indian term for grizzly bear. Previously: Salida Avenue south of Colfax Avenue; Taisey Street; Boston Avenue; Cornwall Avenue.

**Yost Street:** 13800 east block. First "Y" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. There are towns of Yost in Illinois, Oklahoma, and Utah.

**Young Court:** 4950 west block, for a half block south of West 2nd Avenue. Extra "Y" road in the alphabet west of Zuni Street.

**Youngfield Street:** 12800 west block. First "Y" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. Originally designated Youssef Street on the reorganization of Jefferson County streets. Previously: Olivet Road or Street or Mount Olivet Road from West Colfax Avenue to Mount Olivet Cemetery.

**Yuba Street:** 13900 east block. First "Y" street in the city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street. Named for Yuba, Wisconsin.

**Yucca Street:** 18100 west block. Second "Y" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names frequently denote plants.

**Yukon Street:** 7700 west block. First "Y" street in the alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. Designated Xerxes Street upon the reorganization of Jefferson County streets, the name was changed in 1944. Previously: Allison Street near West Colfax Avenue; Wabash Street; Semple or Olivet or West 1st or 1st Street in Arvada.

**Yuma Street:** 2350 west block. "Y" street in the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. The Yuma Indians lived along the lower Colorado River near the Gulf of California. Missionaries misunderstood their name for themselves, the *Yahmayo*, claiming that they were the Yuma which they translated as "son of the captain." It could also mean "people of the river" or "son of the river." Previously: Weir Avenue south of West 8th Avenue; Anderson Street south of West 5th Avenue; Christina Street.

**Zang Street:** 13000 west block. First "Z" street in the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names often recall Jefferson County pioneers. Father and son Adolph and Philip Zang were pioneer brewers and land developers who owned a good deal of land near the Jefferson County Airport.

**Zante Street:** Designated the 23200 east block. Only "Z" street in and end of what is generally an exotic places double alphabet east of Tower Road. Named for Zante, Greece.

**Zeno Street:** 18400 east block. Only "Z" street in and the end of what is usually a western city double alphabet beginning with Abilene Street. There are towns of Zeno in Ohio and Pennsylvania.

**Zenobia Street:** 5100 west block. "Z" street in and the end of the alphabet west of Zuni Street. Zenobia was the famous queen of Palmyra in the third century. Previously: Avenue A between West 1st and West Bayaud avenues; Herman Street between West 13th and West 17th avenues; Olive Avenue between West Colfax and West 17th avenues; Cherry Street; Sher-

man Street from West Byron Place to West 26th Avenue; Birch Street between West 26th and West 32nd avenues; Susquehanna Street between West 32nd and West 37th avenues; 28th Street in North Denver.

**Zephyr Street:** 7900 west block. "Z" street in and the end of the alphabet west of Sheridan Boulevard. Zephyr was the god of the west wind in ancient Greek mythology. Previously: Calhoun Street near West Colfax Avenue; West 3rd or 3rd or Williams Street in Arvada.

**Zeta Street:** 18200 west block. First "Z" street in the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names occasionally derive from classical literature. Zeta is the sixth letter of the Greek alphabet, the equivalent of the English "zee." Originally designated Zebulon Street on the reorganization of Jefferson County streets.

**Zinnia Street:** 13100 west block. Second "Z" street in and the end of the double alphabet beginning at Allison Street where road names sometimes denote flora.

**Zion Street:** 14000 east block. Only "Z" street in and the end of what is generally a city double alphabet east of Yosemite Street.

**Zircon Street:** 18300 west block. Second "Z" street in and the end of the double alphabet beginning at Alkire Street where road names occasionally specify minerals.

**Zuni Street:** 2400 west block. "Z" street in and the end of the Indian alphabet west of Broadway. The exact origin of the name of the Zuñi Pueblo of New Mexico is unknown. Zuñi derives from the Keresan *sunyi-tsi* or *su-nyitas*, possibly meaning "casting place" or "rock slide." Previously: Gallup Avenue; 1st Street between West 23rd and West 44th avenues; South 1st or Laurel Street south of West Colfax Avenue; Gallia Street south of West 8th Avenue. **South Zuni Street:** Oak Street south of West Cedar Avenue; Gilman or Gillman Avenue south of West Florida Avenue.

**Zurich Court:** 5150 west block. Extra "Z" street in the alphabet west of Zuni Street.

## Numbered Streets and Avenues

**L**ISTED ARE THE PREVIOUS names of contemporary numbered streets and avenues. The number of a street or avenue indicates its location. The numbered streets run northwest-southeast in the downtown diagonal grid. First Street is the first road northeast of the Platte River at West Colfax Avenue. Each street is numbered in ascending order and is defined as 100 in the numbering system. In other words, 17th Street is automatically defined as the seventeenth street from the Platte River, the 1700 block.

Numbered avenues begin counting up to the north from the zero axis, Ellsworth Avenue. All avenues are "north" streets. Twelfth

Avenue, consequently, is the twelfth block north of Ellsworth, the 1200 north block. Numbered roads designated as "places" are usually half blocks north of the avenue of the same number. Fifty-fifth Place is thus the 5550 north block.

Often an avenue had the same previous name in its east and west designations. Thirteenth Avenue, for example, was known as Olive Street both east and west of Broadway. In such cases, the prior name is only listed under the east avenue. Only those streets and avenues have been listed which have had previous names or which deserve special comment.

**1st Avenue:** Lake Avenue or Street; Davis Street from Clarkson Street to Cherry Creek; 1st Avenue North east of Steele Street; Jefferson Avenue or Street from Colorado Boulevard to Holly Street; South Colfax Avenue between Yosemite and Dayton streets. **West 1st Avenue:** Hodgson Avenue east of Federal Boulevard; Todd Street; Emerson Avenue in Barnum; Chicago Street west of Sheridan Boulevard.

**1st Street:** Jackson Street.

**2nd Avenue:** Sumner Street. **West 2nd Avenue:** Bank Street; Beaver or Beecher Avenue in Barnum; Francis Avenue; Lafayette Avenue.

**2nd Street:** A vacated street which is the right-of-way of the Valley Highway. Previously: Quincy Street.

**3rd Avenue:** Bridger Street. **West 3rd Avenue:** Denver Avenue; Staton Avenue east of Federal Boulevard; Collyer Avenue in Barnum.

**3rd Street:** A railroad right-of-way, vacated since 1881. Previously: Monroe Street.

**4th Avenue:** Vasquez Street; Dailey Street. **West 4th Avenue:** Fassett Avenue west of the Platte River; Morgan Avenue east of Federal Boulevard; Greeley Avenue in Barnum; Montana Avenue; Park Avenue west of Tennyson Street.

**4th Street:** Vacated in 1914. Previously: Madison Street.

**5th Avenue:** Beckwourth or Beckwith Street. **West 5th Avenue:** Phillips Avenue east of the Platte River; Smith Street near the Platte River; Pearl Avenue between the Platte River and Federal Boulevard; Chapin Avenue in Barnum.

**5th Street:** Jefferson Street.

**6th Avenue:** Road one mile south of Colfax Avenue. Previously: Carson Street; Chamberlin Avenue east of Corona Street; Daisy Avenue; Montclair Boulevard east of Dahlia Street; College Avenue in Aurora. **West 6th Avenue:** Foote Avenue; Wesley Street from the equivalent of Tejon Street to the Platte River; Deleno

Avenue in Barnum; Graham Avenue; Hart Avenue or Street west of Lowell Boulevard.

**6th Street:** Mostly vacated as a right-of-way for the Denver & Rio Grande Western Railroad. Previously: Adams Street.

**7th Avenue:** Cram Street; Woodward Avenue east of Corona Street; 6th Avenue east of Quebec Street; Oneida Avenue in Aurora. **West 7th Avenue:** Martin Street west of Cherry Creek; John Street—later Gallo-way Avenue—east of the Platte River; Weir Avenue east of Federal Boulevard; Euclid Avenue in Barnum; Pitkin Avenue or Street west of Lowell Boulevard.

**7th Street:** Washington Street.

**8th Avenue:** Bowles Avenue or Street east of Broadway; Morris Avenue; South Street from the alley of Grant-Logan streets to the alley of Washington-Clarkson streets; Center Avenue between Monaco and Quebec streets; 9th Avenue east of Quebec Street; Ontario Avenue in Aurora. **West 8th Avenue:** Bear Street;

Rio Grande Avenue near the Platte River; Monroe Avenue west of Federal Boulevard.

**8th Street:** Arapahoe Street or Avenue.

**9th Avenue:** Buffalo Street; Grape Street; Park Street from the alley of Grant-Logan streets to the alley of Washington-Clarkson streets; Bela Hughes Avenue from Downing Street to Cheesman Park; Lewis Avenue between Monaco and Quebec streets; 10th Avenue east of Quebec Street. **West 9th Avenue:** Gray Street; Sadie Street from the Platte River to Federal Boulevard; Garfield Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards; Bates Avenue in Villa Park; Wolcott Avenue west of Linley Court; Elgin or West 8th Avenue west of Tennyson Street.

**9th Street:** Cheyenne Street or Avenue.

**10th Avenue:** Fletcher Avenue; Moose Street; Grant Avenue from the alley of Grant-Logan streets to the alley of Washington-Clarkson streets; Inslee Avenue from Downing Street to Cheesman Park. **West 10th Avenue:** Jennings Street; Malone or Adams Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards; Decker Street from Lowell Boulevard to Tennyson Street; Linwood Street west of Tennyson Street; Lake Street in Lakewood.

**10th Street:** A Street downtown (never existed); St. Louis or San Luis Street in Auraria and Highland.

**11th Avenue:** Deer Avenue or Street; Brooklyn Avenue east of Monaco Street; 10th Avenue east of Wabash Street. **West 11th Avenue:** Central Street; Rochester Street east of Federal Boulevard; Madison Avenue west of Federal Boulevard.

**11th Street:** B Street downtown which is today part of Speer Boulevard near West Colfax Avenue; Ferry Street in Auraria and Highland. St. Francis Way between Champa and Curtis streets since 1980.

**12th Avenue:** Pine Street; Lake Avenue or Boulevard east of Monaco Street. **West 12th Avenue:** Clayton Street; Raven Street; Water Street between Bryant and Decatur streets; Nalle Street east of Federal Boulevard; Scherrer Avenue in Villa Park; Jefferson Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards; Harvey Avenue or Street west of Lowell Boulevard.

**12th Street:** C Street downtown; Cherry Street in Auraria.

**13th Avenue:** Olive Street or Avenue; Montclair Boulevard east of Monaco Street.

**West 13th Avenue:** Titus Street between Quivas and Zuni streets; Washington Avenue west of Federal Boulevard; Marvin Avenue from Federal Boulevard to Tennyson Street; Goddard Avenue; Willow Avenue; Mountain View Avenue west of Sheridan Boulevard; Chambers Avenue between Quail and Simms streets; Oakley Lane west of Simms Street.

**13th Street:** D Street downtown; Front Street in Auraria.

**14th Avenue:** Capitol Avenue from Broadway to Monaco Street; Antelope Street east of Downing Street; Dieppe Avenue in Montclair. **West 14th Avenue:** Capitol Street west of Broadway; Capitol Court from Zuni Street to the Platte River; Paul Court west of the Platte River; Clark Street; Howard Place or Street east of Federal Boulevard; Huntington Avenue west of Federal Boulevard; Reynolds Street west of Irving Street.

**14th Court:** The first road northeast of Speer Boulevard, on the southwest side of Cherry Creek, between Market and Wazee streets.

**14th Place:** 1375 north block in sections of Aurora. **West 14th Place** is the 1450 north block.

**14th Street:** E Street downtown; Foster Street in Highland. The section between Blake and Umatilla streets was once the 14th Street Viaduct, deemed to be part of Speer Boulevard in 1927.



7th Ave. Park Way

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*Denver once treasured its parkways as tree-lined, median filled roads, such as the 7th Avenue Parkway, looking east from Columbine Street.*

**15th Avenue:** The road is Colfax Avenue.

**15th Street:** F Street downtown; Byers Street in Highland.

**16th Avenue:** Sheridan Street or Avenue east of Broadway; East 16th Street; 1st Street or Court or Rose Court from Colorado Boulevard to Dahlia Street; Chivington Avenue east of Dahlia Street; Brighton Avenue east of Monaco Street; Bright Avenue east of Ulster Street; Locust Avenue from Potomac Street to Sable Boulevard. **West 16th Avenue:** Center Avenue from the Platte River to Federal Boulevard; Cheltenham Avenue west of Federal Boulevard; Kinney Avenue; designated 6th Street from Tennyson Street to Sheridan Boulevard; Carson Street west of Sheridan Boulevard.

**16th Street:** G Street downtown; Pollock Street in Highland.



- 17th Avenue:** Brown Street or Avenue east of Broadway; East 17th Street; Chilcott Avenue east of the alley of Washington-Clarkson streets; Park Boulevard from Detroit Street to Colorado Boulevard; 3rd Street or Court from Colorado Boulevard to Dahlia Street; Bates Avenue or Street east of Colorado Boulevard. **West 17th Avenue:** Ellsworth Avenue; Grand View Avenue west of Tennyson Street; designated 4th Street from Tennyson Street to Sheridan Boulevard. Designated Dick Connor Avenue from Bryant Street to Federal Boulevard in March 1993.
- 17th Street:** H Street downtown; Ming Street in Highland.
- 18th Avenue:** Cofield Street east of Broadway; East 18th Street; 4th Street or Court from Colorado Boulevard to Dahlia Street; Central Avenue between Dahlia and Forest streets; Cooper Avenue east of Monaco Street. **West 18th Avenue:** Saguache Avenue west of the Platte River; Jennie Street east of Federal Boulevard; designated 3rd Street from Tennyson Street to Sheridan Boulevard; Chicago Street west of Sheridan Boulevard.
- 18th Street:** I Street downtown—briefly known as J Street; Wooton Street in Highland.
- 19th Avenue:** Clements Avenue east of Broadway; Clifford Avenue east of the alley of Washington-Clarkson streets; Briar Avenue or Street; 5th Street or Court from Colorado Boulevard to Dahlia Street; Oakdale Avenue between Monaco and Quebec streets and in Aurora; Hayden Avenue between Quebec and Syracuse streets; Schuyler Avenue between Syracuse and Yosemite streets. **West 19th Avenue:** Chicago Avenue or Street from the Platte River to Sloans Lake; designated 2nd Street from Tennyson Street to Sheridan Boulevard.
- 19th Street:** Initially J Street, but soon relabeled K Street downtown; Carson Street in Highland.
- 20th Avenue:** East 19th Street; College Hill or Lane east of Broadway; 16th Avenue east of Downing Street. The road is Montview Boulevard east of Colorado Boulevard. **West 20th Avenue:** Carbon Avenue; designated 1st Street from Tennyson Street to Sheridan Boulevard; Edgewater Boulevard west of Sheridan Boulevard.
- 20th Street:** L Street.
- 21st Avenue:** 15th Avenue east of Downing Street; Arbican Street east of Monaco Street; Arggam Street. **West 21st Avenue:** Jasper Avenue.
- 21st Street:** M Street.
- 22nd Avenue:** 14th Avenue east of Washington Street; Alamosa Avenue; Turner Street; Brighton Avenue; Schermerhorn Place; Alzoma Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard. **West 22nd Avenue:** Pearl Avenue or Street.
- 22nd Street:** N Street.
- 23rd Avenue:** 13th Avenue east of Washington Street; Alhambra Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard; Havemeyer Avenue east of Syracuse Street. **West 23rd Avenue:** Water Street east of Zuni Street; Agate Street west of Zuni Street.
- 23rd Street:** Designated Park Avenue West in 1990. Previously: O Street.
- 24th Avenue:** 12th Avenue east of Washington Street; Hawthorne Place; Snyder Street between Monaco and Syracuse streets. **West 24th Avenue:** Ruby Place or Avenue from Bryant Street to Federal Boulevard; Topaz Avenue from Federal Boulevard to Sloans Lake; Agate Street west of Sheridan Boulevard.
- 24th Street:** P Street.
- 25th Avenue:** 11th Avenue east of Washington Street; Alhondiga Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard; Collins Street east of Monaco Street; Fuller Avenue east of Syracuse Street. **West 25th Avenue:** Granite Street between Federal and Lowell boulevards; Emerald Avenue east of Federal Boulevard and west of Lowell Boulevard; Tharp Place from Vrain Street to Winona Court.
- 25th Street:** Q Street.
- 26th Avenue:** Road one mile north of Colfax Avenue. Previously: 10th Avenue east of Washington Street; Loustano Avenue or Road east of Colorado Boulevard. **West 26th Avenue:** Pierce Street between Tejon and Zuni streets; Highland Avenue west of Zuni Street; Middle Golden Road west of Denver.
- 26th Street:** R Street.
- 27th Avenue:** 9th Avenue; McDonald Street. **West 27th Avenue:** Francis Avenue or Street between Umatilla and Zuni streets—considered part of Speer Boulevard from 1927 until Speer's route was modified away from the avenue upon the construction of I-25; Diamond Avenue or Street west of Zuni Street.
- 27th Street:** S Street.
- 28th Avenue:** Tows Street—later 8th Avenue—east of Downing Street; Pine Street; Irving or 27th Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard. **West 28th Avenue:** Garnet Avenue or Street; John Street between Central and Zuni streets; Church Street from Zuni Street to Speer Boulevard; Park Avenue west of Newland Street.
- 28th Street:** T Street.
- 29th Avenue:** Delano Street—later 7th Avenue—east of Downing Street; Longfellow Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard; Walnut Street. **West 29th Avenue:** Stanton Avenue from 20th Street to Fox Street; Ashland Avenue; Court Street west of Jay Street.
- 29th Street:** U Street.
- 30th Avenue:** Fuller Street—later 6th Avenue—east of Downing Street; Whittier Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard. **West 30th Avenue:** Cactus Avenue or Lane west of Fox Street; Fay or Fry Street west of Tejon Street; Dawson Avenue or Street west of Irving Street; Minion Street west of Tennyson Street; Summit Street; Elgin Place; Ridge Street west of Jay Street.
- 30th Street:** V Street.
- 31st Avenue:** France Street; 5th Avenue. **West 31st Avenue:** Gerspeach Street; Sigler Street or Seiglers Avenue east of Galapago Street; Bigler Street west of Tejon Street; Arkins Avenue or Street between Irving and Yates streets; Brevier Street west of Tennyson Street.
- 31st Street:** W Street.
- 32nd Avenue:** Designated Martin Luther King Boulevard from Downing Street to Stapleton Airport in January 1980. Previously: 4th or Mountain Avenue east of Downing Street; Millson Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard; 33rd Avenue east of Monaco Street. **West 32nd Avenue:** Page or Dace Street east of the

Platte River; Fairview Avenue west of the Platte River which was sometimes designated Fairview Road west of Speer Boulevard; Fairview Place from Federal Boulevard to Grove Street; Blaine Avenue west of Lowell Boulevard; Niagara Street west of Tennyson Street; Middle Golden Road west of Kipling Street.

**32nd Street:** X Street.

**33rd Avenue:** 3rd Avenue east of Downing Street; Delaware Avenue; Cook Street; 34th Avenue east of Dahlia Street. **West 33rd Avenue:** Clinton Street east of the Platte River; Wanless Street from the Platte River to Federal Boulevard; Brynn Myrr or Byrn Mawr Avenue west of Irving Street; Fairview Avenue between Irving and Tennyson streets; Carleton Avenue east of Perry Street; Hawthorn Avenue or Street from Perry Street to Sheridan Boulevard; Elliot Place from Sheridan Boulevard to Depew Street.

**33rd Street:** Y Street.

**34th Avenue:** Designated Bruce Randolph Avenue between Downing and Dahlia streets in November 1985. Previously: 2nd Avenue east of Downing Street; Wayne Street; Park Avenue between Elm and Forest streets. **West 34th Avenue:** Wayne Street between Cherokee and Delaware streets; Kent Street from Inca Street to Federal Boulevard; Inverness Avenue; Monticello Street west of Tennyson Street.

**34th Street:** Z Street.

**35th Avenue:** 1st Avenue. **West 35th Avenue:** Scott Street or Avenue; Cumberland Avenue or Street west of Lowell Boulevard.

**35th Street:** Witter Street.

**36th Avenue:** Bissell Avenue. **West 36th Avenue:** Murdock Street; Cumberland Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards; Cottage Hill Avenue west of Tennyson Street.

**36th Street:** Colorado Street.

**37th Avenue:** Caird Street or Cairo Avenue east of Downing Street; Euclid Avenue. **West 37th Avenue:** Backus Avenue; Valley Avenue west of Federal Boulevard; Van Buren Street west of Tennyson Street.

**37th Street:** No road was ever cut through between 36th and 38th streets.

**38th Avenue:** Road two miles north of Colfax Avenue. Previously: Ames Street between Lafayette and Humboldt streets which was initially considered part of 38th Street; McLellan or East McLellan Street east of Franklin Street; 37th Avenue east of Steele Street. **West 38th Avenue:** Prospect Avenue; Sonora Avenue east of Pecos Street.

**38th Street:** Nebraska Street; St. Joseph Street southeast of the Platte River.

**39th Avenue:** East Larimer Street east of Franklin Street; Lark or Lake Street east of Steele Street; 38th Avenue east of Holly Street; Marian Street east of Monaco Street. **West 39th Avenue:** Beecher Avenue west of I-25; Arizona Avenue west of Inca Street; Denver Avenue from Irving Street to Lowell Boulevard; Tweed Street between Perry and Tennyson streets; Cherry Street or Avenue in Berkeley; Liberty Street between Tennyson and Vrain streets; Avenue A from Tennyson Street to Sheridan Boulevard.

**39th Street:** St. Mary's Street.

**40th Avenue:** Canary Street; Pacific Street east of Franklin Street; 39th Avenue east of Holly Street; Randolph Street east of Quebec Street. **West 40th Avenue:** Greeley Avenue; Montana Avenue east of Pecos Street; St. John Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards.

**40th Street:** Kansas Street; College Avenue from Brighton Boulevard to the Platte River.

**41st Avenue:** Randolph Street in Swansea; Cottage Street; 40th Avenue between Holly and Kearney streets.

**West 41st Avenue:** Maple Street or Avenue; Dakota Avenue or Street; Humphrey Avenue from Delaware Street to Lowell Boulevard; St. Vincent's Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards; Tay Street between Perry and Tennyson streets; Avenue B west of Tennyson Street; Sherman Street between Tennyson and Vrain streets.

**41st Street:** Vacated in 1923. Previously: Cottage Avenue or Street.

**42nd Avenue:** Louis Street; Rollandet Street east of Oneida Street; 40th Avenue east of Wabash Street.

**West 42nd Avenue:** Colorado Avenue or Street east

of Federal Boulevard; Forth Street between Perry and Tennyson streets.

**42nd Street:** A vacated road. Previously: Spring Street.

**43rd Avenue:** Oakley Avenue west of Sherman Street; Marshall Street east of Race Street; Fletcher Street east of York Street; 41st Avenue east of Wabash Street.

**West 43rd Avenue:** Wyoming Avenue; Clyde Street between Perry and Tennyson streets; Illinois Street between Tennyson and Vrain streets; Avenue C between Tennyson and Fenton streets; Oak Street or Avenue; Fletcher Street.

**43rd Street:** Technically a vacated road southeast of Brighton Boulevard. Previously: St. Charles Street.

**44th Avenue:** Gaston Street from the Platte River to Federal Boulevard; South Avenue or 1st Street from Broadway to Washington Street; School Street in Globeville; Bond Street; Von Richthofen Street east of Monaco Street. **West 44th Avenue:** Jefferson Avenue; Curtis Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards; Ohio Street between Tennyson and Vrain streets; Dee Avenue or Avenue D in Berkeley; North Golden Road west of Denver.

**44th Street:** Last street in the downtown numbered street system. Previously: Colorado Street.

**45th Avenue:** 2nd Street from Broadway to Washington Street; Central Street west of Washington Street; Miner Street east of Race Street. **West 45th Avenue:** North Denver Avenue; Almina Avenue east of Pecos Street; Antelope Street east of Clay Street; Barnes Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards; Avenue E from Tennyson Street to Sheridan Boulevard.

**46th Avenue:** North Avenue from Broadway to Washington Street—later 3rd Street; Walker Avenue east of Washington Street; Weston Avenue east of Lafayette Street; Cochrane Street. **West 46th Avenue:** Augusta Street between Huron and Pecos streets; Coyote Street between Pecos and Zuni streets; Taylor Avenue east of Lowell Boulevard; Walker Avenue from Lowell Boulevard to Tennyson Street; Avenue F between Federal and Sheridan boulevards.

**47th Avenue:** Melzar or 4th Street or Grove Street or Avenue in Globeville; Fisk Avenue east of Lafayette

Street. **West 47th Avenue:** Margaret Street east of Pecos Street; Deer Street between Pecos and Zuni streets; Shea Avenue from Zuni Street to Federal Boulevard; Avenue G west of Zuni Street.

**48th Avenue:** Road three miles north of Colfax Avenue. Previously: 5th Street in Globeville; Smith Avenue near the Platte River; Tynon Place; Frank Street east of Humboldt Street; Hyacinth Avenue east of Dahlia Street. **West 48th Avenue:** Lake Avenue; H Avenue or Avenue H west of Zuni Street; North Boulevard; Paved Road in Arvada.

**48th Place (west):** Blue Moon Lane in Arvada.

**49th Avenue:** 6th Street in Globeville; Greenwood Street near the Platte River; Bulmer Avenue; Denver Street in Elyria; Kershaw Street in Swansea. **West 49th Avenue:** Tremont Street west of Broadway; Bonita Avenue; I Avenue or Avenue I west of Zuni Street; Berkeley Avenue from Federal Boulevard to Tennyson Street.

**50th Avenue:** 7th Street in Globeville; Ohio Street between Logan and Huron streets; Howes Street between Logan and Washington streets; Platte River Drive southwest of Franklin Street along the Platte River; Ella or Downing or Ella Downing Street east of the UP tracks; Pansy Avenue east of Dahlia Street. **West 50th Avenue:** Vermont Street near Huron Street; College or Denver or J Avenue or Avenue J west of Zuni Street; Davis Lane between Allison and Carr streets. The section between Federal and Lowell boulevards was named

Regis Boulevard, for the adjacent Regis University, in 1991.

**51st Avenue:** Lake Street between Logan and Huron streets—vacated west of Acoma Street; Johnson Avenue; 8th Street in Globeville; Sanguinette Street between Washington and Downing streets. **West 51st Avenue:** Locust Avenue; K Avenue or Avenue K west of Zuni Street; Lower College or South College or



*Ashland School was at the northwest corner of West 29th Avenue and Firth Court. The structure shown was demolished in 1975. Ashland School was the original home of North High School. The school was named for the previous name of West 29th Avenue—Ashland Avenue—the road in the foreground.*

College Lane west of Denver; Gibson's By-Way; Clark Lane; Engel's Lane.

**52nd Avenue:** 9th Street in Globeville; Clark Street between Washington and Downing streets; Nichols Avenue from Thompson Court to Steele Street; Park Avenue from Steele Street to Colorado Boulevard; Geranium Avenue east of Dahlia Street. **West 52nd**

**Avenue:** Norton Avenue; L Avenue or Avenue L west of Zuni Street; College Avenue from Sheridan Boulevard to Garrison Street; Upper College Lane or North College Lane between Garrison and Carr streets.

**53rd Avenue:** Alpine Street east of Broadway; Jefferson Street east of the Platte River; Clover Avenue west of Quebec Street.

**54th Avenue:** Hearth or Heath or Richardson Street from Broadway to Sherman Street; Clifford Avenue between Washington and Franklin streets; Riverside Avenue from Adams Street to Colorado Boulevard; Monroe Street between Kearney and Monaco streets; Zinnia Avenue west of Quebec Street.

**55th Avenue:** Bell or Fell Avenue from Broadway to Washington Street; Main Street west of Washington Street; Jefferson Street between Kearney and Monaco streets. **West 55th Avenue:** Outlet Street or Valley Avenue or Way between Vance and Marshall streets; Hutchinson Lane west of Wadsworth Boulevard.

**56th Avenue:** Road four miles north of Colfax Avenue. **West 56th Avenue:** East Valley Avenue or Valley East Street from Sheridan Boulevard to Marshall Street.

**57th Avenue (west):** Adelaide Avenue; Avon Street; Church Street between Upham and Balsam streets.

**58th Avenue (west):** Evans Road or Avenue between Independence and Indiana streets; Church Avenue in Arvada.

**60th Avenue (west):** Rhea Avenue from Sheridan Boulevard to Lamar Street.

**62nd Avenue:** Rose Hill Drive between Holly and Quebec streets. **West 62nd Avenue:** Lower Lane between Lamar and Yukon streets.

**63rd Avenue (west):** Floyd Lane.

**64th Avenue:** Road five miles north of Colfax Avenue. **West 64th Avenue:** Model Road; Lincoln Avenue from Wadsworth Boulevard to Carr Street.

**65th Avenue (west):** Grant Street east of Federal Boulevard; Waunita Avenue between Estes and Garrison streets.

**65th Place (west):** Garden Street.

**66th Avenue:** Jacob Street west of Quebec Street. **West 66th Avenue:** Main Street in Arvada.

**66th Place:** Texas Street west of Quebec Street. **West 66th Place:** Burr Street from Federal Boulevard to the C&S tracks.

**67th Avenue:** Fox Street west of Quebec Street.

**67th Place (west):** Oak Street east of Federal Boulevard;

**68th Avenue (west):** Ben Boldt Lane between Lamar and Carr streets.

**69th Avenue (west):** Ben Boldt Lane from Sheridan Boulevard to Lamar Street.

**72nd Avenue:** Road six miles north of Colfax Avenue.

**West 72nd Avenue:** Wyoming Avenue or Street; Enterprise Road between Kipling and Indiana streets.

**72nd Place:** Canby Street east of Highway 2.

**73rd Avenue (west):** Walnut Street in Westminster.

**74th Avenue (west):** St. Vrain Street in Westminster.

**75th Avenue (west):** Maple Street in Westminster; Loch Lane between Estes and Kipling streets; Howard Lane west of Simms Street.

**76th Avenue (west):** Kentucky Avenue or Street in Westminster.

**77th Avenue (west):** Virginia Street in Westminster.

**78th Avenue (west):** Elm Street in Westminster.

**79th Avenue (west):** High Street in Westminster.

**80th Avenue:** Road seven miles north of Colfax Avenue. **West 80th Avenue:** Cornell Avenue or Road.

**81st Avenue (west):** Ann Arbor Avenue or Street in Westminster.

**82nd Avenue (west):** Harvard Avenue or Road or Street in Westminster; Denver View Street between Kipling and Alkire streets; Tucker Road between Alkire and Indiana streets.

**83rd Avenue (west):** Yale Avenue or Street in Westminister.

**84th Avenue (west):** Westminister Avenue or Street in Westminister; Chambers Avenue west of Wadsworth Boulevard.

**85th Avenue (west):** Designated Princeton Avenue west of Federal Boulevard.

**86th Avenue (west):** Designated Washington Avenue west of Federal Boulevard.

**87th Avenue (west):** Designated Lake Forest Avenue west of Federal Boulevard.

**88th Avenue:** Road eight miles north of Colfax Avenue.

**West 88th Avenue:** Hanover Avenue in Westminister; Hatfield Road between Sheridan and Wadsworth boulevards.

**96th Avenue:** Road nine miles north of Colfax Avenue.

**West 96th Avenue:** Blackham Road.

**104th Avenue:** Road ten miles north of Colfax Avenue.

**168th Avenue:** Road 18 miles north of Colfax Avenue, the line between Adams and Weld counties, which is the 40th parallel. The street is sometimes referred to as County Line Road.



## Yesterday's Streets

**L**ISTED ARE THE names of previous roads followed by their current equivalents. If a street is not under the name sought, check the closely related listings; that is, look under Clark Avenue, Clark Lane, or Clark Place as well as Clark Street. For a road beginning with a preface such as South Water

Street, look under the name of the avenue both with and without the geographic description. Similarly, while the first section deals with the numbered streets, also check the specific designations of "east," "west," "north," and "south" in the alphabetical section for roads such as South 15th Street.

### NUMBERED STREETS AND AVENUES

**1st Avenue:** 35th Avenue east of Downing Street.

**1st Avenue North:** 1st Avenue from Steele Street to Colorado Boulevard.

**1st Avenue or Street:** York Street in Swansea.

**1st Avenue South:** Bayaud Avenue east of South Steele Street.

**1st Street:** Wewatta Street in Auraria; Water Street west of 15th Street; Platte Street east of 15th Street; Zuni Street between West 23rd and West 44th avenues; Alcott Street north of West 44th Avenue; Ames Street in Berkeley Annex; Pearl Street between 44th and 46th avenues; 44th Avenue in Globeville; Elm Street between 32nd and 33rd avenues; South Vine Street between Jewell and Evans avenues; the designation of West 20th Avenue from Tennyson Street to Sheridan Boulevard; Ingalls Street between West 10th and West Colfax avenues; South Lipan Street between West Hampden and West Oxford avenues; Yukon Street in Arvada.

**1st Street or Court:** 16th Avenue from Colorado Boulevard to Dahlia Street.

**2nd Avenue:** 34th Avenue east of Downing Street.

**2nd Avenue or Street:** Josephine Street in Swansea.

**2nd Avenue South:** Cedar Avenue east of South Steele Street.

**2nd Street:** Wynkoop Street in Auraria; Platte Street west of 15th Street; Central Street east of 15th Street; Forest Street between 32nd and 33rd avenues; Benton Street in Berkeley Annex; 45th Avenue in Globeville; Alcott Street between West Colfax and West 44th avenues; Beach Court north of West 44th Avenue; Pennsylvania Street between 44th and 46th avenues; South Gaylord Street between Jewell and Evans avenues; the designation of West 19th Avenue from Tennyson Street to Sheridan Boulevard; Jay Street between West 10th and West Colfax avenues; South Kalamath Street between West Hampden and West Oxford avenues; Yarrow Street in Arvada.

**2nd Street or Court:** Batavia Place from Colorado Boulevard to Dahlia Street.

**3rd Avenue:** 33rd Avenue east of Downing Street.

**3rd Avenue or Street:** Elizabeth Street between 44th and 45th avenues.

**3rd Street:** Wazee Street in Auraria; Boulder Street; Columbine Street in Swansea where it was later Thompson Court; Logan Street between 44th and 46th avenues; 46th Avenue in Globeville—today the route of

I-70; Chase Street in Berkeley Annex; Glencoe Street between 32nd and 33rd avenues; Bryant Street in North Denver; South York Street between Jewell and Evans avenues; the designation of West 18th Avenue from Tennyson Street to Sheridan Boulevard; Kendall Street between West 10th and West Colfax avenues; South Jason Street between West Hampden and West Mansfield avenues; Zephyr Street in Arvada.

**3rd Street or Court:** 17th Avenue from Colorado Boulevard to Dahlia Street.

**4th Avenue:** 32nd Avenue east of Downing Street; Milwaukee Street between 47th and 48th avenues.

**4th Avenue or Street:** Elizabeth Street between 46th and 48th avenues.

**4th Street:** Walnut Street in Auraria; Erie Street; Clay Street in North Denver; Depew Street in Berkeley Annex; 47th Avenue in Globeville; Thompson Court in Swansea where it was later Clayton Street; Grant Street between 44th and 46th avenues; South University Boulevard between Jewell and Yale avenues; West 17th Avenue from Tennyson Street to Sheridan Boulevard; Hudson Street between 32nd and 35th avenues; Lamar Street between West 10th and West Colfax avenues; South Inca Street between West Hamp-

den and West Mansfield avenues; Allison Street in Arvada.

**4th Street or Court:** 18th Avenue from Colorado Boulevard to Dahlia Street.

**5th Avenue:** Thompson Court north of 46th Avenue; 31st Avenue east of Downing Street.

**5th Street:** Larimer Street in Auraria; Eaton Street in Berkeley Annex; Clayton Street between 48th and 52nd avenues and in Swansea where it was later Fillmore Street; Sherman Street between 44th and 46th avenues; 48th Avenue in Globeville; Holly Street between 32nd and 35th avenues; Decatur Street in North Denver; South Josephine Street between Mexico and Yale avenues; West Atlantic Place in Breenlow Park; Marshall Street between West 10th and West Colfax avenues; South Huron Street between West Hampden and West Mansfield avenues; Ammons Street in Arvada.

**5th Street or Court:** 19th Avenue from Colorado Boulevard to Dahlia Street.

**6th Avenue:** 30th Avenue east of Downing Street; 7th Avenue east of Quebec Street.

**6th Street:** Lawrence Street in Auraria; Fenton Street in Berkeley Annex; Eliot Street between West Colfax and West 44th avenues; Elm Court north of West 44th Avenue; Fillmore Street between 48th and 50th avenues and in Swansea where it was later Milwaukee Street; 49th Avenue in Globeville; Sherman Street south of 44th Avenue; Lincoln Street north of 44th Avenue; South Columbine Street between Mexico and Yale avenues; West 16th Avenue from Tennyson Street to Sheridan Boulevard; Balsam Street in Arvada; West Pacific Place in Breenlow Park; Newland Street between West 10th and West Colfax avenues; South Galapago Street between West Hampden and West Mansfield avenues.

**7th Avenue:** 29th Avenue east of Downing Street.

**7th Street:** Curtis Street in Auraria; Federal Boulevard between West Colfax and West 44th avenues—a name that was never used; Eliot Street north of West 44th Avenue; Milwaukee Street between 48th and 50th avenues and in Swansea where it was later St. Paul

Street; Lincoln Street south of 44th Avenue; Leaf Court north of 44th Avenue; 50th Avenue in Globeville; South Clayton Street between Mexico and Yale avenues; West Adriatic Place in Breenlow Park; Otis Street between West 10th and West Colfax avenues; South Fox Street between West Hampden and West Mansfield avenues.

**8th Avenue:** Severn Place east of Dahlia Street; West 9th Avenue west of Tennyson Street; 28th Avenue east of Downing Street.

**8th Street:** Champa Street in Auraria; defined as the first street west of Federal Boulevard between West Colfax and West 38th avenues, 8th Street was mostly Grove Street, except for Hazel Court between West 26th and West 29th avenues; Green Court in Berkeley; St. Paul Street between 48th and 50th avenues and in Swansea where it was later Steele Street; 51st Avenue in Globeville; South Fillmore Street between Mexico and Yale avenues; West Baltic Place in Breenlow Park; Pierce Street between West 10th and West Colfax avenues; Carr Street in Arvada; South Elati Street between West Hampden and West Quincy avenues.

**9th Avenue:** 8th Avenue east of Quebec Street; 27th Avenue east of Downing Street.

**9th Street:** Stout Street in Auraria; 52nd Avenue in Globeville; Hooker Street between West Colfax and West 30th avenues; Grove Street in Berkeley; South Milwaukee Street between Mexico and Yale avenues; Steele Street between 52nd and 54th avenues and in Swansea where it was later Adams Street; West Caspian Place in Breenlow Park.

**10th Avenue:** 26th Avenue east of Washington Street; 9th Avenue east of Quebec Street; 11th Avenue east of Wabash Avenue.

**10th Street:** Irving Street in Highlands; Hooker Street in Berkeley; Adams Street between 52nd and 54th avenues and in Swansea where it was later Cook Street; South St. Paul Street between Mexico and Yale avenues; West Baker Avenue in Breenlow Park.

**11th Avenue:** 25th Avenue east of Washington Street; Richthofen Place east of Wabash Street.

**11th Street:** Julian Street in Highlands; Irving Street in Berkeley; Cook Street between 52nd and 54th avenues and in Swansea where it was later Madison Street; South Adams Street between Jewell and Iliff avenues; West Hillside Avenue in Breenlow Park.

**12th Avenue:** 24th Avenue east of Washington Street.

**12th Street:** King Street in Highlands; Julian Street in Berkeley; Madison Street in Swansea where it was later Monroe Street; Harrison Street north of the UP tracks; South Cook Street between Jewell and Iliff avenues; West College Avenue in Breenlow Park.

**13th Avenue:** 23rd Avenue east of Washington Street.

**13th Street:** Monroe Street between 40th and 46th avenues; Jackson Street north of the UP tracks; Lowell Boulevard in North Denver; South Madison Street between Jewell and Iliff avenues.

**14th Avenue:** 22nd Avenue east of Washington Street.

**14th Street:** Meade Street in North Denver; Garfield Street north of the UP tracks; Speer Boulevard between Blake and Umatilla streets; South Monroe Street between Jewell and Iliff avenues.

**15th Avenue:** 21st Avenue east of Downing Street.

**15th Street:** Newton Street in North Denver; Monroe Street between 52nd and 54th avenues; South Jackson Street between Jewell and Iliff avenues.

**16th Avenue:** 20th Avenue east of Downing Street.

**16th Street:** South Harrison Street between Jewell and Iliff avenues; Osceola Street in North Denver.

**17th Street:** Perry Street in North Denver.

**18th Street:** Quitman Street in North Denver.

**19th Street:** Raleigh Street in North Denver.

**20th Street:** Stuart Street in North Denver.

**21st Street:** Tennyson Street in North Denver.

**22nd Street:** Utica Street in North Denver.

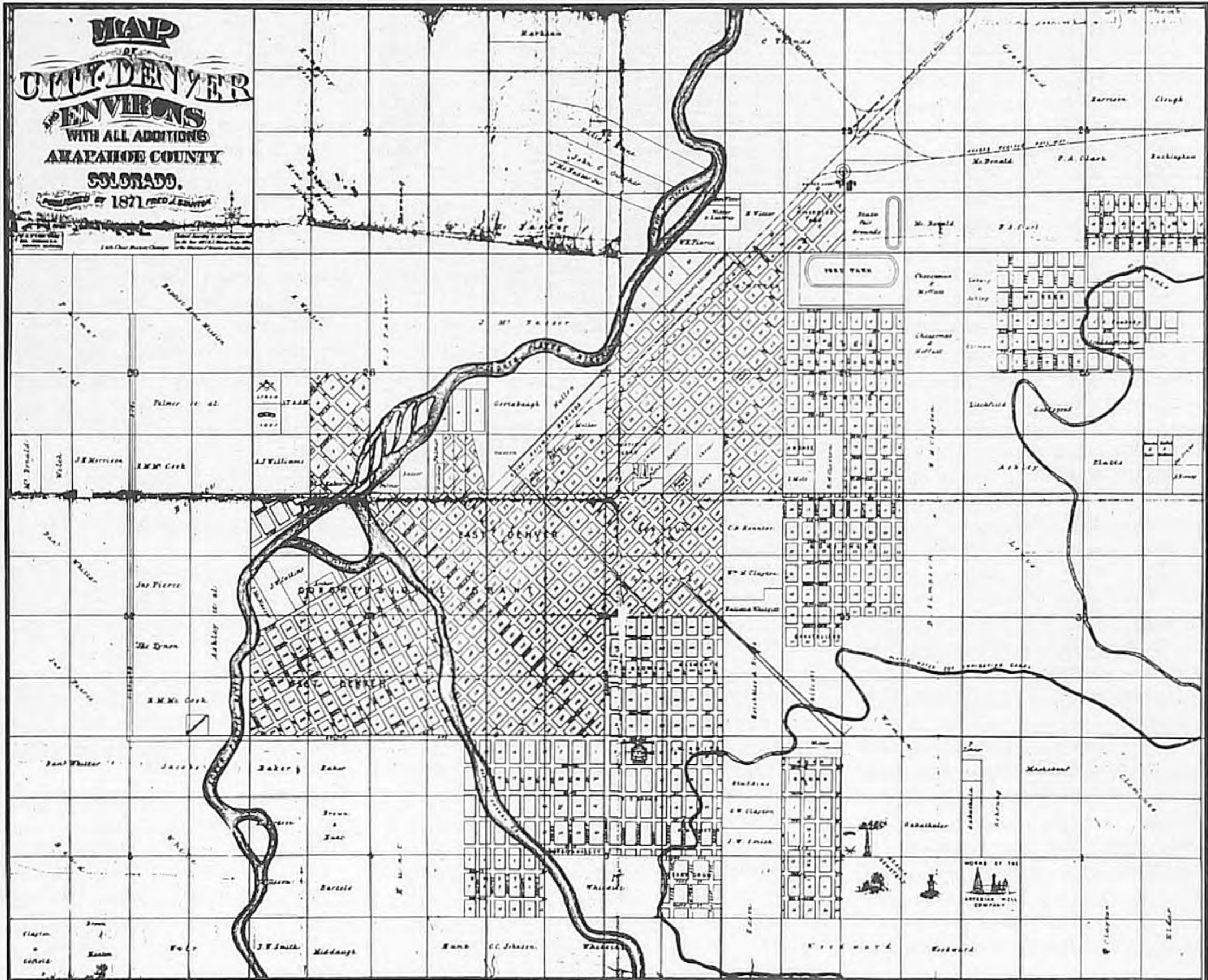
**23rd Avenue (west):** Water Street between Zuni and 14th streets.

**23rd Street:** Vrain Street in North Denver.

**24th Street:** Winona Court in North Denver.

**25th Street:** Xavier Street in Highlands; Wolff Street in Berkeley.

**26th Street:** Yates Street in Highlands; Xavier Street in Berkeley.



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Thayer's Map of Denver in 1871 shows the city just as it was beginning to grow beyond the original downtown diagonal grid.

## DENVER STREETS

**27th Avenue:** 28th Avenue between Dahlia and Quebec Streets. **West 27th Avenue:** The section between Umatilla and Zuni streets was deemed to be part of Speer Boulevard from 1927 until the construction of the Valley Highway.

**27th Street:** Yates Street in Berkeley.

**28th Street:** Zenobia Street in North Denver.

**33rd Avenue:** 32nd Avenue east of Quebec Street.

**34th Avenue:** 33rd Avenue east of Dahlia Street.

**37th Avenue:** 38th Avenue east of Steele Street.

**38th Avenue:** 39th Avenue east of Holly Street.

**39th Avenue:** 40th Avenue east of Holly Street.

**40th Avenue:** 42nd Avenue east of Wabash Street.

**41st Avenue:** 43rd Avenue east of Wabash Street.

**50th Place (west):** West Stoll Place.

**51st Place (west):** West Berkeley Place.

## NAMED STREETS

**A Street:** A nonexistent street which would have been equivalent to 10th Street south of West Colfax Avenue; Ames Street in Edgewater.

**Abbot Avenue:** West Harvard Avenue west of the Platte River.

**Aberdeen Place:** West Parkhill Avenue.

**Ada Avenue:** Boston Street.

**Adams Avenue:** South Lowell Boulevard south of West Exposition Avenue; West 10th Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards; Peakview Avenue east of South Quebec Street.

**Adams Street:** 6th Street; Exposition Avenue between South Kearney and South Monaco streets; Ames Street in Edgewater; Field Street between West 20th and West 25th avenues.

**Adelaide Avenue:** West 57th Avenue in Arvada.

**Advocate Street:** South Adams Street between Iliff and Yale avenues.

**Agate Street:** West 23rd Avenue from Zuni Street to Sloans Lake; West 24th Avenue west of Sheridan Boulevard.

**Agnes Street:** West Arkansas Avenue west of the Platte River.

**Agricultural Place:** West Archer Place from South Broadway to South Elati Street.

**Airline Road:** Quincy Avenue east of Cherry Creek Reservoir.

**Alabama Avenue or Street:** Arizona Avenue.

**Alameda Avenue (west):** West Byers Place between South Meade and South Stuart streets.

**Alamo Avenue:** South Elati Street south of West Ellsworth Avenue.

**Alamo Road:** Sombrero Drive.

**Alamosa Avenue:** Xenia Street.

**Albany Avenue:** South Eaton Street between West Alameda and West Exposition avenues.

**Albany Street:** Fulton Street.

**Albion Avenue:** Quince Street.

**Alcesti Street:** South Harrison Street south of Hampden Avenue—vacated.

**Alder Street:** Webster Street in Arvada.

**Alexander Avenue:** Powers Avenue east of South Holly Street.

**Alfred Avenue:** South Grove Street south of West Mexico Avenue.

**Alhambra Avenue:** 23rd Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard.

**Alhondiga Avenue:** 25th Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard.

**Alice Street:** Monroe Street between 29th and 35th avenues.

**Allen Avenue:** Eastman Avenue; Steele Street south of 40th Avenue.

**Allen Street:** Florida Avenue east of South Holly Street.

**Aller Avenue:** Hudson Street between 32nd and 38th avenues.

**Allison Street:** Yukon Street.

**Allita Avenue:** Ames Street in Berkeley Annex.

**Allyn Street:** West Irvington Place from Lipan Street to the Platte River—vacated.

**Almina Street:** West 45th Avenue east of Pecos Street.

**Alpine Street:** 53rd Avenue east of Broadway.

**Alta Street:** Ogden Street from Colfax Avenue to Cherry Creek; initially, Corona Street south of Cherry Creek—later the designation of South Ogden Street.

**Altos Street:** Emerson Street from 54th Avenue to Horton Court—also spelled **Alton Street**.

**Alys Place:** West Ada Place.

**Alzoma Avenue:** 22nd Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard.

**Amanda Street:** Jason Street between West 44th and West 48th avenues.

**Ament Avenue:** South Huron Street.

**Ames Street:** 38th Avenue between Lafayette and Humboldt streets; West Lake Avenue west of the railroad tracks in Littleton.

**Amherst Avenue:** Columbia Place.

**Amie Rogers Street:** South Dahlia Street south of Jewell Avenue.

**Anderson Street:** Raleigh Street between West 10th and West 17th avenues; Yuma Street south of West 5th Avenue.

**Andes Street:** Utica Street between West 32nd and West 37th avenues.

**Angelica Street:** Dexter Street from Montview Boulevard to 26th Avenue.

**Ann Arbor Avenue or Street:** West 81st Avenue in Westminster.

**Ann Street:** Irving Street between West Colfax and West 20th avenues; Umatilla Street south of West 8th Avenue; Harlan Street between West 10th and West Colfax avenues.

**Anna Court:** Fairplay Street.

**Annadale Street:** Listed as an east-west road in University Park, it does not show up on any maps.

**Anne Street:** Newton Street; Emerson Street between 49th and 50th avenues.

**Annis Street:** South Madison Street south of Hampden Avenue—vacated.

**Antelope Street:** Elati Street between West 1st and West Cedar avenues; West 45th Avenue east of Clay Street; 14th Avenue east of Downing Street.

**Apple Street:** York Street in Swansea.

**Arapahoe Avenue:** Arapahoe Road.

**Arapahoe Avenue or Street:** 8th Street; Navajo Street south of West Colfax Avenue—also known as **South Arapahoe Street**.



**Arapahoe Road:** Simms Street in Arvada.  
**Arbican Street:** 21st Avenue east of Monaco Street.  
**Arch Street:** Garfield Street between 26th and 29th avenues; Newport Street north of 38th Avenue; Spruce Street.  
**Arggam Street:** 21st Avenue between Monaco and Quebec streets.  
**Argo Court:** Galapago Street from West 29th Avenue to the Platte River.  
**Argo Road:** Washington Street north of 52nd Avenue.  
**Argo Street:** Fox Street from the 23rd Street Viaduct to West 46th Avenue; Delaware Street north of West 41st Avenue; Galapago Street between West 48th and West 52nd avenues. Galapago Street was also sometimes designated Argo Street near the 23rd Street viaduct. In such cases, Fox Street was **Argo Avenue**.  
**Arizona Avenue:** West 39th Avenue west of Inca Street.  
**Arizona Avenue or Street:** Albion Street south of Colfax Avenue.  
**Arizona Street:** Jewell Avenue west of South Clarkson Street.  
**Arkins Avenue or Street:** West 31st Avenue between Irving and Yates streets.  
**Arkins Court:** Denargo Street. In 1954, the two roads on the east and west sides of the Platte River, northeast of 31st Street, were designated as East and West Arkins Court. **West Arkins Court** was renamed as Ringsby Court in 1957, when **East Arkins Court** resumed its previous name of Arkins Court—originally **Arkins Avenue**.  
**Arlington Avenue:** West Wesley Avenue west of South Clay Street.  
**Arlington Drive:** Garland Street near 6th Avenue.  
**Arlington Street:** Shoshone Street between West 32nd and West 48th avenues.  
**Arnold Street:** Ironton Street.  
**Arthur Street:** Mexico Avenue east of South Steele Street; South Gaylord Street south of Florida Avenue.  
**Arundel Avenue:** Birch Street between 6th and 8th avenues.  
**Ash Avenue or Street:** Hooker Street between West 20th and West 26th avenues; South King Street.

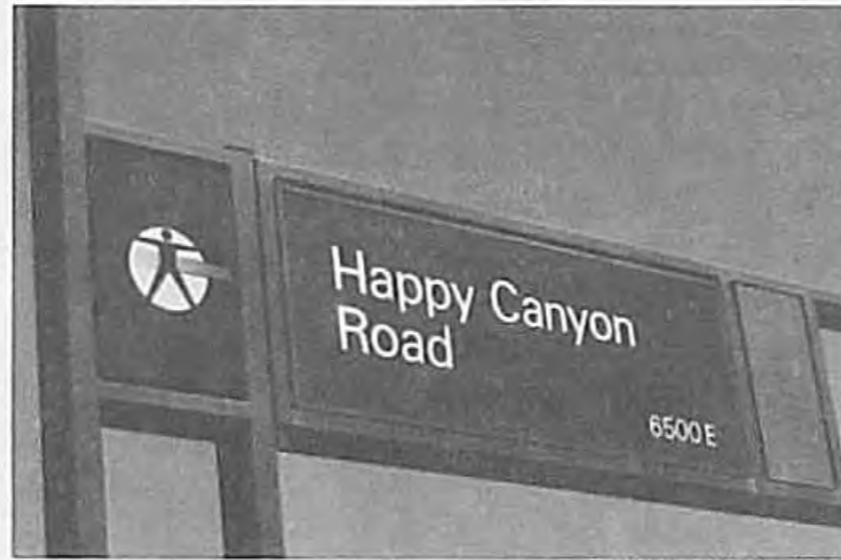


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*Street signs in the Denver Tech Center feature the area's logo. Happy Canyon Road runs from the 4800 block of Hampden Avenue to the 6500 block of Quincy Avenue near the northwest border of the Tech Center.*

**Ash Street:** South Eliot Street; South Hill Street.  
**Ashland Avenue:** West 29th Avenue.  
**Atchison Street:** South Mariposa Street in Englewood.  
**Atkins Court:** Acoma Street near West 1st Avenue.  
**Augusta Avenue:** South Harlan Street between West Alameda and West Exposition avenues.  
**Augusta Street:** West 46th Avenue between Huron and Pecos streets.  
**Austin Street:** Julian Street in Berkeley.  
**Avalon Avenue:** Allison Street.  
**Avenue A:** Zenobia Street between West 1st and West Bayaud avenues; West 39th Avenue from Tennyson Street to Sheridan Boulevard.  
**Avenue B:** Yates Street between West 1st and West Bayaud avenues; West 41st Avenue west of Tennyson Street.  
**Avenue C:** Xavier Street between West 1st and West Bayaud avenues; West 43rd Avenue between Tennyson and Fenton streets.  
**Avenue D:** Wolff Street between West 1st and West Bayaud avenues; West 44th Avenue between Tennyson and Fenton streets.  
**Avenue E:** Winona Court between West 1st and West Bayaud avenues; West 45th Avenue from Tennyson Street to Sheridan Boulevard.  
**Avenue F:** Vrain Street between West 1st and West Bayaud avenues; West 46th Avenue between Federal and Sheridan boulevards.  
**Avenue G:** Utica Street between West 1st and West Bayaud avenues; West 47th Avenue west of Zuni Street.  
**Avenue H:** West 48th Avenue west of Zuni Street.  
**Avenue I:** West 49th Avenue west of Zuni Street.  
**Avenue J:** West 50th Avenue west of Zuni Street.  
**Avenue K:** West 51st Avenue west of Zuni Street.  
**Avenue L:** West 52nd Avenue west of Zuni Street.  
**Avon Street:** West 57th Avenue in Arvada.  
**B Street:** Initially, a short road that was the equivalent of 11th Street near West Colfax Avenue which eventually became part of Speer Boulevard. B Street was later the designation of the alley between 12th Street and Cherry Creek, which ran northwest from West Colfax Avenue to Stout Street—vacated. Benton Street in Edgewater was a different B Street.  
**Babcock Street:** South Monroe Street between Iliff and Yale avenues.  
**Bachtell Avenue:** Krameria Street between 32nd and 38th avenues.  
**Backus Avenue:** West 37th Avenue west of Navajo Street.  
**Banana Street:** Josephine Street in Swansea.  
**Bancroft Street:** Monaco Street.  
**Bank Street:** West 2nd Avenue.  
**Barbara Court:** South Sherman Circle in Littleton.  
**Barclay Street:** South Acoma Street north of West Louisiana Avenue.  
**Barker Street:** Geneva Street; Girard Avenue.  
**Barnes Avenue:** West 45th Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards.  
**Barnes Avenue or Street:** Lipan Street from West 29th Avenue to the Platte River—vacated.  
**Barnett Street:** A misspelling of Garnet Street, i.e., Elm Street.  
**Barnum Avenue:** King Street between West Alameda and West 8th avenues.  
**Barrows Road:** Welch Street south of West Colfax Avenue.

- Barry Street:** Pontiac Street north of 38th Avenue.
- Barth Street:** West Louisiana Avenue west of South Federal Boulevard.
- Bates Avenue:** West 9th Avenue west of Federal Boulevard.
- Bates Avenue or Street:** 17th Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard.
- Baughman Street:** Columbine Street between 6th and 8th avenues.
- Bayan Street:** A misspelling of Dayan Street, i.e., Quince Street.
- Bayard Street:** Yarrow Street.
- Beacon Avenue:** Harvard Avenue.
- Beacon Street:** Hooker Street between West 38th and West 46th avenues; South Clermont Street.
- Bear Creek Road:** South Kipling Street.
- Bear Street:** West 8th Avenue.
- Bearce Place:** West Byron Place.
- Beaver Avenue:** West 2nd Avenue in Barnum.
- Beckman or Beckmath Place:** Variant spellings of Beekman Place.
- Beckwourth or Beckwith Street:** 5th Avenue.
- Beech Avenue:** Forest Street; Yates Street.
- Beecher Avenue:** West 39th Avenue west of I-25; West 2nd Avenue in Barnum.
- Beers Avenue:** Fairfax Street north of 46th Avenue—vacated.
- Beers Sisters Road:** West Belleview Avenue west of South Kipling Street.
- Beggs Lane:** Tejon Street—also known as **Begg's Lane**.
- Bela Hughes Avenue:** 9th Avenue from Downing Street to Cheesman Park.
- Belford Street:** South Race Street between Alameda and Kentucky avenues.
- Bell Avenue:** 55th Avenue from Broadway to Washington Street.
- Bell Avenue or Street:** Osage Street between West 32nd and West 44th avenues.
- Bell Court:** Dudley Street between West 20th and West 23rd avenues.
- Bell Lane:** South Elati Street south of Ridge Road.
- Belleview or Bellview Avenue:** West Virginia Avenue west of South Stuart Street.
- Belleview, Bellview, or Bellevue Avenue:** Julian Street north of West 38th Avenue.
- Belleville, Bellville, or Bellevue Avenue:** Niagara Street.
- Bellevue Avenue:** Tennessee Avenue between South Kearney and South Monaco streets.
- Belrose Place:** West Highland Park Place.
- Ben Boldt Lane:** West 69th Avenue from Sheridan Boulevard to Lamar Street; West 68th Avenue between Lamar and Carr streets.
- Benton Place:** A road vacated in 1947, the 3350 north block, from Cherokee Street to the Burlington Railroad tracks—also known as **Burt Street**.
- Benton Street:** South Delaware Street between West Exposition and West Yale avenues which is South Santa Fe Drive between West Mississippi and West Jewell avenues.
- Berger Place:** South Garfield Street between Mississippi and Jewell avenues.
- Berkeley Avenue:** Lowell Boulevard in Berkeley; West 49th Avenue from Federal Boulevard to Tennyson Street; Harlan Street north of West 48th Avenue.
- Berkeley Street:** Tennyson Street.
- Bert Street:** Forest Street; initially Vallejo Street between West 26th and West 38th avenues, and Umatilla Street between West 38th and West 44th avenues, later Vallejo Street between West 26th and West 48th avenues.
- Beverly Avenue or Drive:** A no longer existing street that ran from about the 2400 block of Wellshire Drive to near the 2600 block of Dartmouth Avenue.
- Beverly Street:** Hoyt Street between West Colfax and West 20th avenues—also spelled **Beverley Street**.
- Bigler Street:** West 31st Avenue between Tejon and Zuni streets.
- Birch Avenue or Street:** South Hooker Street between West Kentucky and West Florida avenues.
- Birch Street:** Zenobia Street between West 26th and West 32nd avenues; Upham Street in Arvada.
- Birdsey Street:** Birch Street between 32nd and 35th avenues—frequently spelled **Birdseye Street**.
- Bismarck Street:** Birch Street between 26th and 32nd avenues—misspelled **Bismark Street**.
- Bison Street:** West Scott Place east of Clay Street.
- Bissell Avenue:** 36th Avenue east of Downing Street.
- Black Avenue or Street:** Grove Street between West 38th and West 46th avenues.
- Blackham Road:** West 96th Avenue.
- Blaine Avenue:** West 32nd Avenue west of Lowell Boulevard.
- Blaine Avenue or Street:** West Girard Avenue; Wolff Street between West 29th and West 32nd avenues.
- Blankman Avenue:** Irving Street in Barnum.
- Bleecher or Blucher Street:** Grove Street in Berkeley.
- Blue Moon Lane:** West 48th Place in Arvada.
- Bluebonnet Avenue:** South Huron Way in Littleton.
- Bohm Avenue:** Exposition Avenue from South Franklin Street to South University Boulevard.
- Bond Street:** 44th Avenue east of the Platte River.
- Bonita Avenue:** West 49th Avenue; Depew Street in Berkeley Annex.
- Bosler Drive:** West Highland Park Place.
- Bosler Place:** Speer Boulevard in North Denver.
- Bosler Street:** Irving Street between West 38th and West 44th avenues.
- Boston Avenue:** Uinta Street; Yosemite Street; West Warren Avenue in Breenlow Park.
- Boston Street:** Emporia Street.
- Boulder Avenue:** Verbena Street.
- Boulder Court:** A vacated road, the 1550 block in the downtown numbered streets, from the Platte River to Boulder Street.
- Boulder Farm Road:** Ralston Road.
- Boulder Street:** West Exposition Avenue; Peoria Street; Teller Street south of West 32nd Avenue.
- Boulevard:** Federal Boulevard—**Boulevard F** from 1897 to 1912.
- Bowen Street:** Delgany Street east of 41st Street—vacated; West Lehigh Avenue west of South Sheridan Boulevard.
- Bowers Street:** Shoshone Street between West 38th and West 41st avenues; Tejon Street north of West 44th Avenue—also spelled **Bowens Street**.

**Bowles Avenue or Street:** 8th Avenue east of Broadway.

**Boyd Street:** Brentwood Street.

**Bradley Place:** Bethany Place.

**Bradley Street:** Harvard Avenue from South Colorado Boulevard to South Birch Street.

**Brady Avenue:** West Floyd Avenue.

**Brailey Court:** South Brady Court.

**Breece Avenue:** West Bayaud Avenue.

**Breene Avenue:** Quincy Avenue.

**Brentwood Circle:** A no longer existing oval road east of South University Boulevard and south of Dartmouth Avenue.

**Brevier Street:** West 31st Avenue west of Tennyson Street.

**Briar Street:** 19th Avenue.

**Brick Avenue:** West Howard Place.

**Bridger Street:** 3rd Avenue.

**Bright Avenue:** 16th Avenue east of Ulster Street.

**Brighton Avenue:** 16th Avenue east of Monaco Street; 22nd Avenue; West Vassar Avenue west of South Tejon Street.

**Brixton Street:** Ash Street between 6th and 8th avenues.

**Broadway:** Santa Fe Drive.

**Broadway Avenue or Street:** Broadway.

**Brooke Avenue or Street:** Ash Street north of the UP tracks.

**Brooklyn Avenue:** 11th Avenue east of Monaco Street.

**Brown Avenue:** Iowa Avenue from South Colorado Boulevard to South Dahlia Street; Allison Street near West Colfax Avenue.

**Brown Avenue or Street:** 17th Avenue east of Broadway.

**Brown Lane:** Parfet Street.

**Brown or Browne Street:** Meade Street south of West Colfax Avenue.

**Bruce Avenue:** West Bayaud Avenue.

**Brunswick Street:** Harrison Street south of 6th Avenue.

**Bryn Mawr Drive:** South Clayton Street south of Bates Avenue.

**Bryn Mawr Street:** Ohio Avenue west of South University Boulevard.

**Brynn Myrr or Bryn Mawr Avenue:** West 33rd Avenue west of Irving Street.



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*The National Mining and Industrial Exposition was held in a specially constructed building near Center Avenue and South Logan Street in 1882. The Exposition grounds stretched to South Broadway on the west between Virginia and Exposition avenues. The last road, originally Illinois Avenue, was changed to Exposition Avenue to mark the event's presence. Center Avenue was previously Indiana Avenue. It was renamed Center Avenue to note it was at the center of the fair.*

**Brynn Myrr Crescent:** A nonexistent street that was to be the continuation of Speer Boulevard from Irving Street to the 3400 block of Lowell Boulevard.

**Buchanan Street:** Holland Street near West 6th Avenue.

**Buchtel Avenue:** Knox Court in Barnum.

**Buckingham Street:** Hoyt Street near West 6th Avenue.

**Buena Vista Avenue:** Ingalls Street north of West 48th Avenue.

**Buena Vista Avenue or Street:** Estes Street in Arvada.

**Buffalo Place or Street:** West Mulberry Place west of the Platte River.

**Buffalo Street:** 9th Avenue.

**Bulmer Avenue:** 49th Avenue near the Platte River.

**Burbin Street:** A misspelling of Durbin Street, i.e., Jewell Avenue.

**Burdsal Avenue:** Locust Street north of Colfax Avenue.

**Burgess Avenue or Street:** Utica Street.

**Burlington Court:** Brighton Boulevard near Riverside Cemetery.

**Burlington Street:** Broadway north of 43rd Avenue.

**Burr Street:** West 66th Place from Federal Boulevard to the C&S tracks.

**Burt Avenue:** Depew Street between West 1st and West Alameda avenues.

**Burt Street:** A variant spelling of Bert Street, i.e., Vallejo Street; a vacated road, the 3350 north block, from the Burlington Railroad tracks to Cherokee Street—also known as **Benton Street**.

**Burton Street:** West Ida Avenue in Littleton.

**Busby Avenue:** Bates Avenue between South Downing and South Franklin streets.

**Bush Street:** Quitman Street.

**Bushell Street:** Willow Street.

**Byers Street:** 15th Street in Highland.

**Byrne Street:** Pierce Street north of West 44th Avenue.

**C Street:** 12th Street downtown; Chase Street in Edgewater.

**Cable Place:** Established in 1889 as a cable car right-of-way, it ran parallel just to the north of West Colfax Avenue from approximately Acoma Street to Federal Boulevard. The road was vacated in 1914 when the Colfax Viaduct was built atop it.

**Cactus Avenue:** Harrison Street between 11th and Colfax avenues.

**Cactus Avenue or Lane:** West 30th Avenue near Fox Street.

**Caird Street:** 37th Avenue east of Downing Street—sometimes designated **Cairo Avenue**.

**Calhoun Street:** Gray Street in Edgewater; Hoyt Street near West 6th Avenue; Zephyr Street between West 13th and West 19th avenues.

**Callahan Avenue:** Leyden Street between 32nd and 38th avenues.

**Calvert Street:** Bannock Street near West 44th Avenue.  
**Cambridge Avenue:** Ulster Street; Dartmouth Avenue near South University Boulevard.  
**Cameron Avenue:** Jasmine Street north of Colfax Avenue.  
**Cameron Drive or Street:** Grove Street in Highland Park.  
**Camp Weld Street:** Shoshone Street south of West 8th Avenue.  
**Campus Street:** South Race Street south of Jewell Avenue.  
**Canal Street:** Washington Street south of 20th Avenue.  
**Canary Street:** 40th Avenue in Swansea.  
**Canby Street:** Tennyson Street; Hooker Street north of West 48th Avenue; 72nd Place east of Highway 2.  
**Capitol Avenue:** 14th Avenue east of Broadway.  
**Capitol Court:** West 14th Avenue west of Zuni Street.  
**Capitol Street:** West 14th Avenue from Broadway to Zuni Street.  
**Carbon Avenue or Street:** West 20th Avenue.  
**Carey Avenue:** West Bayaud Avenue.  
**Caribou Street:** Dahlia Street from Colfax Avenue to Montview Boulevard.  
**Carleton Avenue:** West 33rd Avenue east of Perry Street; West Floyd Avenue.  
**Carlson Lane:** Oak Street.  
**Carmen Street:** Dahlia Street north of Montview Boulevard.  
**Caroline Avenue:** Holly Street; Thompson Court between 50th and 52nd avenues.  
**Carr Avenue:** West Dartmouth Avenue in Sheridan.  
**Carson Street:** 6th Avenue; 19th Street in Highland—vacated; Dickinson Place from South Colorado Boulevard to South Birch Street; West 16th Avenue west of Sheridan Boulevard.  
**Cary Street:** Osceola Street—also spelled Carry Street.  
**Cass Avenue:** Logan Street south of 10th Avenue.  
**Cass Street:** Ellsworth Avenue.  
**Catalpa Avenue:** Quitman Street in Westminster.  
**Catherine Street:** West Jefferson Avenue in Englewood.  
**Cedar Avenue:** Winona Court.



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*Wazee Street has been annually transformed into Tooley Street for St. Patrick's Day since the mid-1980s. Shown is the road, looking southeast, at 17th Street.*

**Cedar Avenue or Street:** King Street between West 20th and West 26th avenues; Mansfield Avenue; South Knox Court between West Kentucky and West Florida avenues.  
**Cedar Lane:** Robb Street.  
**Cedar Street:** Cedar Avenue; Steele Street in Swansea; West Myrtle Place; Saulsbury Street in Arvada.  
**Cemetery Hill:** Independence Street between Grandview and West 58th avenues.  
**Center Avenue:** West 16th Avenue from the Platte River to Federal Boulevard; 8th Avenue between Monaco and Quebec streets.  
**Center Street:** South Franklin Street south of Jewell Avenue; Grant Street north of 50th Avenue; Van Gordon Street.

**Center or Centre Street:** Newland Street between West 26th and West 32nd avenues.  
**Center Street or Centre Court:** West Myrtle Place east of the Platte River.  
**Central Avenue:** 18th Avenue between Dahlia and Forest streets; Routt Street.  
**Central Loop:** This referred to the turn-around station of the Denver Tramway Corporation, approximately the 1450 block of the downtown numbered streets, between Arapahoe and Lawrence streets.  
**Central Street:** West 11th Avenue; Clermont Street from Colfax Avenue to Montview Boulevard; Navajo Street between West 38th and West 44th avenues; 45th Avenue west of Washington Street; Vassar Drive southwest of South Syracuse Way.  
**Centre Street:** Wadsworth Boulevard in Arvada; Vance Street between West 20th and West 26th avenues.  
**Cervantes Street:** Birch Street from Montview Boulevard to 26th Avenue.  
**Chaffee Avenue or Street:** Grape Street north of Colfax Avenue.  
**Chama Street:** Downing Street between 54th and 56th avenues.  
**Chamberlain Street:** Fairfax Street from 19th Avenue to Montview Boulevard.  
**Chamberlin Avenue:** 6th Avenue east of Corona Street; South Ash Street between Jewell and Yale avenues.  
**Chambers Avenue:** West 84th Avenue west of Wadsworth Boulevard; West 13th Avenue between Quail and Simms streets.  
**Chapin Avenue:** West 5th Avenue in Barnum.  
**Charles Street or Boulevard:** Garfield Street between 6th and Colfax and 32nd and 38th avenues. **Charles Place** was Garfield Street between Colfax and 17th avenues.  
**Chase Street:** South Fox Street.  
**Cheltenham Avenue:** West 16th Avenue west of Federal Boulevard.  
**Cheney Avenue:** Ames Street between West 1st and West Bayaud avenues.  
**Cherokee Street:** Denargo Street.  
**Cherry Avenue:** West Radcliff Avenue in Englewood.

**Cherry Creek Drive:** Speer Boulevard; Leetsdale Drive from South Colorado Boulevard to Alameda Avenue.

**Cherry Creek Road:** South Syracuse Way; Jordan Road.

**Cherry Grove Street:** Arkins Court.

**Cherry Street:** Colorado Boulevard south of 6th Avenue; South Decatur Street; 12th Street in Auraria; West 39th Avenue in Berkeley; Zenobia Street; Thompson Court.

**Chestnut Avenue:** Raleigh Street in Westminster.

**Chestnut Street:** Monroe Street north of Colfax Avenue; Pontiac Street south of 11th Avenue; Poplar Street north of 38th Avenue; South Bryant Street; Adams Street between 39th and 46th avenues; Galapago Street between West 48th and West 52nd avenues.

**Cheyenne Avenue or Street:** 9th Street; Mariposa Street south of West Colfax Avenue—also known as **South Cheyenne Street**.

**Cheyenne Street:** Washington Street between 20th and 26th avenues.

**Chicago Avenue or Street:** West 19th Avenue from the Platte River to Sloans Lake; West 18th Avenue west of Sheridan Boulevard.

**Chicago Street:** Bellaire Street from Colfax Avenue to Montview Boulevard; West 1st Avenue west of Sheridan Boulevard.

**Chilcott Avenue:** 17th Avenue east of the alley of Washington-Clarkson streets.

**Chipeta Avenue:** Eaton Street in Berkeley Annex.

**Chivington Avenue:** 16th Avenue east of Dahlia Street.

**Choate Street:** Yarrow Street in Arvada.

**Christina Street:** Yuma Street.

**Church Avenue:** West 58th Avenue in Arvada.

**Church Street:** Harrison Street between 32nd and 35th avenues—also known as North Church Street; West 28th Avenue from Zuni Street to Speer Boulevard—vacated; West 57th Avenue in Arvada.

**Cimarron Street:** Crystal Street.

**Cincinnati Street:** Irving Street between West Colfax and West 13th avenues.

**Circle Drive:** Lynn Road.

**Circle View:** A no longer existing curving road, from the 5450 block of Washington Street to the 800 block of 55th Avenue.

**City Hall Court:** A no longer existing street, from Cherry Creek to 14th Street between Larimer and Lawrence streets.

**Clancy or Clancey Street:** Tremont Place.

**Clarence Avenue:** Elm Street from Montview Boulevard to 38th Avenue.

**Clarence Street:** Uinta Street north of Colfax Avenue.

**Clark Avenue:** Krameria Street between 26th and 32nd avenues; a no longer existing street that was the first road east of the Platte River south of West Bowles Avenue.

**Clark Lane:** West 51st Avenue in Arvada.

**Clark Place:** Logan Street between 46th and 48th avenues.

**Clark Street:** 52nd Avenue between Washington and Downing streets; Grove Street between West Colfax and West 20th avenues; Inca Street from the 1000 block to West Bayaud Avenue and from West Mississippi Avenue to the Platte River; South Huron Street in Breenlow Park; West 14th Avenue west of the Platte River; Simms Street in Arvada.

**Clarkson Street:** Emerson Street south of Cherry Creek.

**Clayton Street:** West 12th Avenue.

**Clear Creek Avenue:** Pecos Street north of West 32nd Avenue.

**Clear View Avenue:** Holly Street north of 60th Avenue.

**Clellan or Clelland Avenue or Street:** St. Paul Street north of 26th Avenue.

**Clements Street:** 19th Avenue east of Broadway.

**Cleveland Street:** Fillmore Street south of 12th Avenue and between Colfax and 17th avenues; Hazel Court between West 13th and West Colfax avenues; Vrain Street.

**Clifford Avenue:** 19th Avenue; 54th Avenue between Washington and Franklin streets.

**Clifton Avenue or Street:** Mariposa Street in North Denver.

**Cline Street:** Lafayette Street north of 46th Avenue.

**Clinton Avenue:** Mansfield Avenue.

**Clinton Circle:** South Alton Way.

**Clinton Street:** West 33rd Avenue from the Burlington Railroad tracks to Cherokee Street—vacated in 1947.

**Clonmel Street:** South Rapp Street.

**Clover Avenue:** 53rd Avenue west of Quebec Street.

**Clover Street:** Harrison Street between 28th and 29th avenues.

**Clyde Avenue:** West Clyde Place.

**Clyde Street:** West 43rd Avenue between Perry and Tennyson streets.

**Cobb Street:** Knox Court between West 8th and West 13th avenues.

**Cochrane Street:** Filbert Court; 46th Avenue.

**Cofield Street:** 18th Avenue east of Broadway.

**Coke Street:** South Steele Street between Iliff and Yale avenues.

**Coleridge Road:** Nelson Street south of West Colfax Avenue.

**College Avenue:** West 50th Avenue west of Zuni Street; a street vacated in 1953, approximately the 1125 north block, between Roslyn and Syracuse streets, which is today an alley; Nassau Avenue; Lowell Boulevard in Westminster; 40th Street from Brighton Boulevard to the Platte River—vacated; 6th Avenue in Aurora; West 52nd Avenue west of Sheridan Boulevard; South Ivanhoe Street south of Iowa Avenue.

**College Hill or Lane:** 20th Avenue east of Broadway.

**College Lane:** West 51st Avenue in Arvada.

**College Place:** 2350 south block, between South Cook and South Monroe streets—vacated in 1942.

**Collins Street:** 25th Avenue east of Monaco Street.

**Collyer Avenue:** West 3rd Avenue in Barnum.

**Colorado Avenue:** South Jackson Street between Florida and Mexico avenues; Meade Street in Westminster.

**Colorado Avenue or Boulevard:** South Windermere Street in Englewood.

**Colorado Avenue or Street:** West 42nd Avenue from Inca Street to Federal Boulevard; Osceola Street north of West Colfax Avenue.

**Colorado Springs Highway:** This referred to the road south of Denver leading to Colorado Springs, including much of South Santa Fe Drive, South Rio Grande

- Avenue, and South Rapp Street, which was more or less the equivalent of U.S. 85.
- Colorado Street:** 36th Street; 44th Street.
- Columbine Avenue:** West Ken Caryl Place.
- Columbus Street:** Hooker Street between West Colfax and West 13th avenues—vacated.
- Commercial Avenue:** South Lipan Street.
- Commercial Place or Street:** West Irvington Place from Broadway to Elati Street.
- Comstock Avenue:** Dallas Street.
- Concord Avenue:** Richthofen Place; West Iowa Avenue west of South Pecos Street; South Depew Street between West Alameda and West Exposition avenues.
- Concord Street:** Hanover Street; Fulton Street between 9th and 11th avenues.
- Conger Street:** South Hudson Street.
- Conifer Street:** West Arapahoe Drive.
- Conley Street:** A misspelling of Copley Street, i.e., Rosemary Street.
- Connecticut Avenue:** Raleigh Street in Barnum; South Lipan Street; Bradburn Boulevard.
- Connecticut Avenue or Street:** Kearney Street south of Colfax Avenue.
- Converse Street:** Jason Street north of West 35th Avenue.
- Cook Road:** Ward Road north of West 44th Avenue.
- Cook Street:** 33rd Avenue east of York Street—also known as **J. Cook Jr.'s Street**.
- Cooper Avenue:** 18th Avenue east of Monaco Street; Mexico Avenue west of South University Boulevard; Navajo Street north of West 44th Avenue.
- Cooper Street:** Colorado Avenue east of South Franklin Street; Stuart Street between West 8th and West 17th avenues.
- Copley Avenue:** Jasmine Street between 26th and 32nd avenues.
- Copley Street:** Rosemary Street.
- Corbett Street:** Inca Street from West 29th Avenue to the Platte River.
- Cornell Avenue:** Bates Avenue.
- Cornell Avenue or Road:** West 80th Avenue west of Federal Boulevard.
- Cornwall Avenue:** Yosemite Street.
- Coronado Street:** South Ash Street south of Mexico Avenue.
- Cottage Avenue or Street:** 41st Street.
- Cottage Hill Avenue:** West 36th Avenue west of Tennyson Street.
- Cottage Lane:** Alley between Huron and Inca streets from West 29th Avenue to West 31st Avenue; Dover Street in Arvada.
- Cottonwood Avenue:** West Jefferson Avenue.
- Country Club Road:** Pierce Street between West 10th and West Colfax avenues.
- County Line Road:** Sheridan Boulevard.
- Court Street:** West 29th Avenue west of Jay Street.
- Courtland Street:** A no longer existing street, about the 1475 north block, from Broadway to Osage Street. Remnants of it were declared to be an alley in 1950.
- Cover Avenue:** Chase Street between West 1st and West Bayaud avenues.
- Coyote Street:** West 46th Avenue west of Pecos Street.
- Cram Street:** 7th Avenue.
- Cramer Avenue:** Ivanhoe Street north of Colfax Avenue.
- Cray Street:** A misspelling of Gray Street, i.e., Wyandot Street.
- Creston Street:** Utica Street south of West 17th Avenue—sometimes spelled **Crescent Street**.
- Crittenden Avenue:** Lowell Boulevard in Barnum.
- Crocker Street:** Raritan Street between West 6th and West 8th avenues.
- Culbert Avenue:** Glencoe Street between 32nd and 38th avenues.
- Cumberland Avenue:** West 36th Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards; West 35th Avenue from Lowell Boulevard to Tennyson Street, which was **Cumberland Street** between Tennyson and Depew streets.
- Cuncliffe Street:** Xanthia Street.
- Currigan Street:** A no longer existing road, established in 1891, that ran parallel to the railroad tracks, from about the 1400 block of 40th Street to approximately the 4200 block of Brighton Boulevard.
- Curtice Street:** A misspelling of Curtis Street.
- Curtis Avenue:** West 44th Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards.
- Curtis Street:** Leyden Street; South Curtice Street.
- Cushman Avenue:** Colorado Avenue from South Colorado Boulevard to South Dahlia Street.
- Custer Avenue:** West Girard Avenue.
- D Street:** 13th Street downtown; Depew Street in Edgewater.
- Dace Street:** West 32nd Avenue from Cherokee Street to the Platte River—also designated Page Street—vacated.
- Dahlia Avenue:** Holly Street between 48th and 52nd avenues.
- Dahlia Street:** Reed Street in Arvada.
- Dailey Avenue or Street:** Garland Street.
- Dailey Street:** 4th Avenue; Acoma Street south of Cherry Creek.
- Daisy Avenue:** 6th Avenue east of Monaco Street.
- Daisy Street:** Deframe Street.
- Dakota Avenue or Street:** West 41st Avenue.
- Damson Street:** Clayton Street in Swansea.
- Dan Street:** Winona Court between West 13th and West Colfax avenues.
- Danbar Road:** West Independence Avenue.
- Daniels Avenue:** West Custer Place west of South Utica Street.
- Daniels Avenue or Road:** Simms Street south of West 26th Avenue.
- Dartmouth Avenue:** Amherst Avenue.
- Darwin Place:** South Dexter Way.
- Datton Street:** A misspelling of Dayton Street, i.e., Vassar Avenue.
- Davel Street:** Cherry Street from Montview Boulevard to 26th Avenue.
- Davenport Street:** South Monaco Street between Exposition and Mississippi avenues.
- Davidson Street:** Bellaire Street north of the UP tracks.
- Davis Court:** South Louthan Street.
- Davis Lane:** Oak Street between West 64th and West 72nd avenues; West 50th Avenue between Allison and Carr streets.

**Davis Street:** 1st Avenue from Clarkson Street to Cherry Creek.

**Dawson Avenue or Street:** West 30th Avenue west of Irving Street.

**Dawson Street:** Dillon Street.

**Dayan Street:** Quince Street.

**Dayton Avenue or Street:** Vassar Avenue.

**De France Street:** Devinney Street.

**Decker Street:** West 10th Avenue from Lowell Boulevard to Tennyson Street.

**Dee Avenue:** West 44th Avenue west of Perry Street.

**Deer Avenue or Street:** 11th Avenue.

**Deer Street:** West 47th Avenue between Pecos and Zuni streets.

**Delano Street:** 29th Avenue east of Downing Street.

**Delaware Avenue:** 33rd Avenue.

**Delaware Avenue or Street:** Cherry Street south of Colfax Avenue; Tennyson Street north of West Colfax Avenue.

**Delaware Street (south):** Designated part of South Santa Fe Drive, between West Mississippi and West Jewell avenues, by Ordinance 23 of 1929.

**Deleno Avenue:** West 6th Avenue in Barnum—also spelled **Delano** or **Delong Avenue**.

**Dennis Lane or Street:** Vivian Street near West Colfax Avenue.

**Denver Avenue:** West 3rd Avenue west of Stuart Street; West 39th Avenue from Irving Street to Lowell Boulevard; West 50th Avenue in Berkeley; Knox Court in Westminster.

**Denver Street:** Albion Street from Colfax Avenue to Montview Boulevard; 49th Avenue in Elyria.

**Denver View Street:** West 82nd Avenue.

**Denver West Road:** Sheridan Boulevard.

**Depot Avenue or Street:** This was the street adjacent to the original train station in 1870, about the equivalent of the alley between Blake and Wazee streets, northeast of 21st Street. In later came to refer to Wazee Street northeast of 24th Street—vacated.

**Detroit Street:** Clayton Street between 11th and Colfax avenues.

**Devinny Road:** Wadsworth Boulevard.

**Dexter Avenue:** Kenyon Avenue.

**Diamond Avenue or Street:** West 27th Avenue west of Zuni Street.

**Dickens Street:** Dexter Street between 26th and 32nd avenues.

**Dieppe Avenue:** 14th Avenue east of Monaco Street.

**Division Street:** West Elk Place east of Lipan Street.

**Dodge Lane:** Oak Street between West 12th and West Colfax avenues.

**Dove Valley Parkway:** Broncos Parkway.

**Dover Avenue:** South Benton Street between West Alameda and West Exposition avenues.



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*Lowry Air Force Base had its own road nomenclature which generally followed the alphabet and numbers of the Denver grid. Renegade Way is an extra "R" street near Roslyn Street.*

**Dover Street:** West Baker Avenue.

**Dowling Street:** South Hill Street.

**Downing Avenue:** Downing Street; Walnut Street north-east of Downing Street.

**Downing Street:** 50th Avenue east of the UP tracks.

**Drive Way:** Brighton Boulevard northeast of 31st Street.

**Dry Creek Road:** Broncos Parkway east of South Peoria Street.

**Dudley Street:** Allison Street.

**Dumbarton Street:** Stuart Street between West 38th and West 44th avenues.

**Dumbleton Avenue:** Eastman Avenue.

**Duncan Street:** Ran for a block southeast from about the 1150 block of Syracuse Street—vacated.

**Dunham Place:** Thompson Court between 44th and 45th avenues.

**Dunkello Avenue:** Dunkeld Place.

**Dunning or Dunnings Avenue:** Cornell Avenue.

**Dupont Street:** Franklin Street.

**Durbin Street:** Jewell Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard.

**Dutton Street:** South Gaylord Street south of Iliff Avenue.

**Dye Street:** South Wyandot Street south of West Bates Avenue; Dayton Street.

**E Street:** 14th Street downtown; Eaton Street in Edgewater.

**Earl Street:** Utica Street between West 26th and West 32nd avenues.

**East 1st Street:** Webster Street in Arvada.

**East 2nd Street:** Upham Street in Arvada.

**East 3rd Street:** Saulsbury Street in Arvada.

**East 4th Street:** Reed Street in Arvada.

**East 16th Street:** 16th Avenue.

**East 17th Street:** 17th Avenue.

**East 18th Street:** 18th Avenue.

**East 19th Street:** 20th Avenue.

**East Broadway:** South University Boulevard.

**East Cherry Creek Road:** Parker Road.

**East End Boulevard or Avenue:** Poplar Street in Montclair.

**East Larimer Street:** 39th Avenue east of Franklin Street.

**East McLellan Street:** 38th Avenue east of Franklin Street.

**East Military Avenue:** Oxford Avenue.

**East Valley Avenue:** West 56th Avenue.

**Eastern Avenue:** Jay Street between West 29th and West 32nd avenues.

**Easy Street:** Yank Street.

**Eden Court:** Thompson Court between 47th and 48th avenues.

**Edgar Street:** South Albion Street south of Dartmouth Avenue.

**Edgewater Boulevard:** West 20th Avenue west of Sheridan Boulevard.

## DENVER STREETS

**Edison Avenue:** South Columbine Street between Mississippi and Florida avenues.

**Edith Lane:** South Rosemary Way.

**Edmand Street:** Inca Street—also known as **Edmands** or **Edmonds Street**.

**Edmondson Avenue:** Floyd Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard.

**Edson Street:** Beeler Street south of Colfax Avenue—also spelled **Edison Street**.

**Edward Street:** Irving Street.

**El Reito Plaza or Court:** A no longer existing road, also known as **El Rita Plaza**, which was the alley between Platte and Central streets from 14th to 15th streets—today the path of the Valley Highway.

**Elaine Street:** Wolff Street.

**Elder Street:** Fillmore Street between 40th and 46th avenues.

**Elgin Place:** West 30th Avenue east of Irving Street.

**Elgin Street:** West 9th Avenue from Tennyson Street to Sheridan Boulevard.

**Elianor Road:** Indiana Street.

**Eliot or Elliot Street:** South York Street south of DU.

**Elizabeth Avenue:** Steele Street between 48th and 52nd avenues.

**Elizabeth Street:** Elgin Place; South Birch Street.

**Ella Street:** Cherry Street between 32nd and 35th avenues; 50th Avenue east of the UP tracks—also known as **Ella Downing Street**.

**Ellet Street:** Magnolia Street north of 38th Avenue.

**Ellen Lane:** South Delaware Street in Littleton.

**Elliot Place:** West 33rd Avenue from Sheridan Boulevard to Depew Street.

**Ellis Avenue:** West Wesley Avenue.

**Ellis Street:** St. Paul Street between 1st and 6th avenues.

**Ellsworth Avenue:** West 17th Avenue.

**Ellsworth Street:** South Madison Street between Iliff and Yale avenues.

**Elm Avenue:** South Elmwood Street.

**Elm Avenue or Street:** Warren Avenue east of South Colorado Boulevard.

**Elm Road:** Euclid Place from South University Boulevard to South Steele Street; West Peakview Avenue.

**Elm Street:** Chase Street near West 32nd Avenue; West 78th Avenue in Westminster.

**Elma Court:** Fraser Street.

**Elmell Street:** South Eudora Street.

**Elmwood Street:** Akron Street.

**Elsie Avenue:** St. Paul Street between 50th and 52nd avenues; the designation of South Hooker Street south of West Mexico Avenue.

**Elsie Place or Street:** Newland Street between West 44th and West 48th avenues.

**Elsmar Lane:** South Balsam Street near West Alameda Avenue.

**Emerald Avenue:** West Byron Place between Zuni and Bryant streets; West 25th Avenue from Bryant Street to Federal Boulevard and west of Lowell Boulevard.

**Emerson Avenue:** West 1st Avenue in Barnum.

**Emiline Avenue:** South Vine Street.

**Emma Avenue:** South King Street.

**Emma Avenue or Street:** Dartmouth Avenue.

**Emma Street:** Jamaica Street; Upham Street in Arvada.

**Emmett Avenue:** West Exposition Avenue west of South Utica Street.

**Engel's Lane:** West 51st Avenue in Arvada.

**Enos Street:** Roslyn Street.

**Enterprise Road:** West 72nd Avenue in Arvada.

**Episcopal Street:** Jackson Street between 32nd and 35th avenues.

**Epperson Avenue:** South Jason Street south of West Mississippi Avenue.

**Erica Street:** Albion Street from Montview Boulevard to 26th Avenue.

**Erie Avenue or Street:** Hudson Street.

**Eriel Street:** A misspelling of Erie Street.

**Ernest Avenue:** King Street in Villa Park.

**Erskine Street:** Knox Court south of West Colfax Avenue.

**Estes Street:** Race Street in Elyria.

**Euclid Avenue:** West 7th Avenue west of Federal Boulevard; West 37th Avenue from Navajo Street to Federal Boulevard; West 14th Avenue from Federal Boulevard to Irving Street.

**Eudora Avenue:** Forest Street north of Colfax Avenue.

**Evans Road or Avenue:** West 58th Avenue in Arvada.

**Evans Street:** Cherokee Street south of West Colfax Avenue; Arkins Court near 38th Street.

**Evelyn Street:** South Vallejo Street south of West Bates Avenue.

**Everett Street:** Galapago Street between West 38th and West 44th avenues—vacated; Huron Street between West 48th and West 52nd avenues—vacated; Ammons Street.

**Evergreen Esplanade:** West Aberdeen Avenue.

**Evergreen Street:** Pacific Place near South Holly Street.

**Ewing Street:** Meade Street in Berkeley.

**Exposition Avenue (west):** West Walsh Place from South Quitman Street to Morrison Road.

**Eyster Street:** Lafayette Street.

**F Street:** 15th Street downtown; Fenton Street in Edgewater.

**Fairbury Avenue or Street:** Xavier Street.

**Fairfax Avenue:** West Alaska Place west of South Stuart Street.

**Fairview Avenue:** Initially, West 32nd Avenue from the Platte River to Grove Street, West Fairview Place between Grove and Irving streets, West 33rd Avenue between Irving and Tennyson streets; later, all of West 32nd Avenue west of the Platte River—sometimes designated **Fairview Road** west of Speer Boulevard; Garland Street in Arvada.

**Fairview Avenue or Street:** West Howard Place from the Platte River to Decatur Street—vacated.

**Fairview Court:** A vacated street from the 2900 block of West 32nd Avenue to about the 2750 block of West Douglas Place.

**Fairview Place:** West 32nd Avenue from Federal Boulevard to Grove Street.

**Fargo Street:** South Fairfax Street.

**Farmer Avenue or Street:** South Marion Street.

**Farragut Street:** Clarkson Street south of Cherry Creek.

**Fassett Street:** West 4th Avenue west of the Platte River.

**Fay Street:** West 30th Avenue between Tejon and Zuni streets.



**Fayette Avenue:** South Dexter Street south of Dartmouth Avenue.

**Fayette Avenue or Street:** Clermont Street north of the UP tracks.

**Fell Avenue:** 55th Avenue east of Broadway.

**Fern Place:** A street vacated in 1927, the 550 north block, for two-thirds of a block east of Grant Street.

**Ferry Street:** 11th Street; Kalamath Street south of West Colfax Avenue.

**Fessenden Street:** Balsam Street.

**Fillmore Street:** Lamar Street in Edgewater.

**Finley Avenue:** Milwaukee Street.

**Fir Street:** Forest Street; Fig Street.

**Fish Avenue:** Irving Street in Villa Park.

**Fisher Street:** Osceola Street; Iowa Avenue.

**Fisk Avenue:** Amherst Avenue east of Downing Street; 47th Avenue between Lafayette and Josephine streets.

**Fisk Avenue or Street:** Eastman Avenue.

**Fitton Avenue:** South Adams Street between Mississippi and Florida avenues.

**Fitton Street:** A vacated street, the 250 north block, from Santa Fe Drive to Kalamath Street.

**Flack Street:** A misspelling of Black Street, i.e., Grove Street.

**Flaner Street:** Garfield Street north of the UP tracks.

**Flatbush Avenue:** Benton Street north of West 26th Avenue.

**Fletcher Avenue:** 10th Avenue.

**Fletcher Street:** 43rd Avenue east of York Street.

**Flora Avenue:** South Gaylord Street.

**Florence Street:** Garfield Street between 29th and 35th avenues and south of Hampden Avenue; Hooker Street between West Colfax and West 20th avenues; Vallejo Street south of West 8th Avenue.

**Floyd Drive:** High Court near West 38th Avenue.

**Floyd Lane:** West 63rd Avenue in Arvada.

**Foot Avenue:** West 6th Avenue east of the Platte River.

**Forest Avenue:** Thrill Place; South Foresthill Street.

**Forest Drive:** Speer Boulevard on the southwest side of Cherry Creek until the 1940s.

**Forest Street:** Huron Street; Umatilla Street north of West 26th Avenue.



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*Flagstone curb signs were once the major means of identifying roads along Colfax Avenue and Broadway. Many such signs remain, including this one at the northeast corner of Colfax Avenue at Emerson Street.*

**Fort Avenue or Street:** South Grove Street between West Kentucky and West Florida avenues.

**Fort Logan Broadway:** West Oxford Avenue east of South Irving Street.

**Forth Street:** West 42nd Avenue between Perry and Tennyson streets.

**Foster Street:** 14th Street in Highland which was later deemed to be part of Speer Boulevard; a vacated street that ran from Decatur Street at Speer Boulevard to West Douglas Place—formerly Harrison Street.

**Fox Street:** 67th Avenue west of Quebec Street.

**France Street:** 31st Avenue east of Downing Street.

**Frances Avenue or Street:** South Humboldt Street between Kentucky and Mississippi avenues—vacated.

**Francis Avenue:** West 2nd Avenue east of Federal Boulevard.

**Francis Avenue or Street:** West 27th Avenue between Umatilla and Zuni streets—part of Speer Boulevard from 1927 until the construction of the Valley Highway.

**Francis Place:** The road connecting 29th Street and Downing Street just north of 26th avenue.

**Frank Street:** 48th Avenue east of Humboldt Street; Dahlia Street between 32nd and 35th avenues; Danube Street.

**Frederick Avenue:** South York Street; South Hazel Court south of West Mexico Avenue; Richthofen Place between Quebec and Quince streets—misspelled Friedrich Avenue.

**Frederick Street:** Bayaud Avenue east of South Clarkson Street.

**Freeman Street:** Java Court; a misspelling of Fremont Street, i.e., South Acoma Street.

**Fremont Street:** South Acoma Street between West Kentucky and West Yale avenues.

**French Avenue:** West Florida Avenue west of Pecos Street.

**Froman Avenue:** Helena Street.

**Front Street:** 13th Street in Auraria.

**Frost Avenue:** South Knox Court south of West Warren Avenue; a misspelling of Forest Avenue, i.e., Thrill Place.

**Fruit Street:** Milwaukee Street in Swansea.

**Fry Street:** West 30th Avenue between Tejon and Zuni streets.

**Fuller Avenue:** 25th Avenue east of Syracuse Street; 30th Avenue east of Downing Street.

**Fulton Avenue:** Ames Street north of West 26th Avenue; Wynkoop Street between 19th and 23rd streets—vacated.

**Fulton Street:** Eudora Street from Colfax Avenue to Montview Boulevard.

**Future Boulevard:** Union Street.

**G Street:** 16th Street downtown; Gray Street in Edgewater.

**Gage Street:** Tennyson Street.

**Galapago Street:** South Lakeview Street in Littleton.

**Gallatin Street:** Brentwood Street.

**Gallia Street:** Zuni Street south of West 8th Avenue—vacated.

**Galloway Avenue:** West 7th Avenue east of the Platte River.

**Gallup Avenue:** Zuni Street.

**Garden Avenue:** Berry Avenue.

**Garden Avenue or Street:** Estes Street.

**Garden Lane:** Chestnut Place east of 35th Street.

**Garden Place:** A diagonal street vacated in 1904, from about the 4425 block of Broadway to near the 200 block of 44th Avenue.

**Garden Street:** West 65th Place from Federal Boulevard to the C&S tracks.

**Gardner Street:** South Fairfax Street.

**Garfield Avenue:** West 9th Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards; South Pontiac Street.

**Garfield Street:** Pierce Street in Edgewater.

**Garland Drive:** Garland Street.

**Garnet Avenue or Street:** West 28th Avenue.

**Garnet Street:** Elm Street between 17th and 19th avenues.

**Garrison Avenue or Street:** Broadway between 48th and 52nd avenues.

**Gaston Street:** 44th Avenue from the Platte River to Federal Boulevard.

**Geiling Avenue or Street:** Cherry Street north of the UP tracks.

**Geneva Avenue:** Oneida Street; Jason Street between West 35th and West 44th avenues.

**Geneva Place:** Oneida Place in Montclair.

**Genin Avenue:** Meade Street in Barnum.

**Georgia Avenue:** West Ada Place.

**Geranium Avenue:** 52nd Avenue between Dahlia and Monaco streets.

**Gerspach Avenue:** Fox Street from West 29th Avenue to the Platte River.

**Gerspeach Street:** West 31st Avenue.

**Ghost Avenue:** South Patton Court.

**Gibbons Place or Street:** West Holden Place from Decatur Street to Federal Boulevard—also referred to as **Gibbon Place or Street**.

**Gibson By-Way:** West 51st Avenue in Arvada.

**Gibson Street:** Clay Street between West Colfax and West 17th avenues—vacated; Canosa Court south of West Colfax Avenue; South Lowell Boulevard south of West Iliff Avenue.

**Gilbert Street:** Glencoe Street between 32nd and 38th avenues.

**Giles Street:** Yale Avenue east of South Colorado Boulevard—also spelled **Gills Street**.

**Gilman Avenue:** South Zuni Street south of West Florida Avenue—also spelled **Gillman Avenue**.



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*Street signs have been installed on bridges so that bicyclists, walkers, and joggers will know their whereabouts on some of the off-street tracks along streams through the area. The scene is looking north along the Platte River, under the South Prince Street bridge.*

**Gilpin Street:** Brighton Boulevard between 46th and 49th avenues; West Gill Place.

**Glancy or Glency Street:** Tremont Place.

**Glencoe Avenue:** Roslyn Street.

**Glenda Street:** Eagle Street.

**Glover Street:** Adams Street south of 6th Avenue.

**Goddard Avenue:** West 13th Avenue from Federal Boulevard to Irving Street.

**Golden Avenue:** Ralston Road west of Wadsworth Boulevard; Independence Street.

**Golden Avenue or Road:** West Colfax Avenue.

**Golden Avenue or Street:** Osage Street north of West 38th Avenue.

**Goldsborough Street:** Race Street.

**Golf Club Road:** Pierce Street between West 10th and West Colfax avenues.

**Goodnough Street:** Fulton Street—also spelled **Goodenough Street**.

**Goodwin Avenue:** Hooker Street in Barnum.

**Goodyear Avenue:** Monaco Street north of Colfax Avenue.

**Gorman Street:** Yale Avenue east of South Holly Street.

**Gorsline Street:** Marion Street south of Colfax Avenue.

**Goss Street:** Tejon Street in North Denver.

**Graham Avenue or Street:** West 6th Avenue.

**Grand Avenue:** West Colfax Avenue from 5th and Curtis streets to Federal Boulevard; West Dartmouth Avenue.

**Grand View Avenue:** West 17th Avenue west of Tennyson Street.

**Grandview Avenue:** King Street north of West 38th Avenue; Winona Court; Teller Street between West 13th and West 38th avenues.

**Granite Street:** West 25th Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards.

**Grant Avenue:** Grant Street; Tremont Place northeast of 20th Avenue; 10th Avenue east of the alley of Grant-Logan streets; West Floyd Avenue west of South Federal Boulevard; West Hamilton Place near the Platte River; South Crocker Street; West 65th Avenue east of Federal Boulevard.

**Grant Street:** Jewell Avenue east of South University Boulevard; Otis Street in Edgewater; West Lake Avenue in Littleton; Leyden Street between 54th and 56th avenues.

**Grape Street:** St. Paul Street in Swansea; 9th Avenue.

**Grason Street:** A misspelling of Orison Street, i.e., Ellsworth Avenue.

**Gravel Spur Road:** Eldridge Street between West 44th and West 52nd avenues.

**Graves Avenue:** Marshall Street south of West 56th Avenue; Lamar Street north of West 56th Avenue.

**Graves Street:** Garland Street.

**Gray Street:** Perry Street near West Colfax Avenue; West 9th Avenue; Wyandot Street between West 27th and West 38th avenues; Vallejo Street north of West 38th Avenue; West Louisiana Avenue west of the Platte River.

**Graybourne Avenue:** Defined as the first road south of Yale Avenue from South University Boulevard to Wellshire Boulevard—approximately the equivalent of Bates Avenue.

**Greeley Avenue:** West 40th Avenue; West 4th Avenue in Barnum; Valentia Street; Havana Street.

**Green Avenue:** Fenton Street between West 1st and West Alameda avenues.

**Green Street:** Gaylord Street.

**Greenwood Avenue:** West Floyd Avenue from South Broadway to South Bannock Street.

**Greenwood Avenue or Street:** Tennyson Street.

**Greenwood Street:** 49th Avenue near the Platte River.

**Griffith Lane:** Carr Street north of 48th Avenue.

**Griswold Avenue:** Forest Street between 32nd and 38th avenues; South Madison Street between Mississippi and Jewell avenues.

**Grommon Street:** Yale Avenue east of South Holly Street.

**Gross Street:** A misspelling of Goss Street, i.e., Tejon Street.

**Grout Avenue or Street:** Miller Street between West Colfax and West 20th avenues.

**Grove Avenue or Street:** 47th Avenue from Broadway to Washington Street.

**Grove Street:** A vacated street that ran parallel to the east side the Platte Rive in Littleton. Parts of it were once South Santa Fe Drive and Old Mill Street.

**Grovner Street:** Harrison Street.

**Gunnison Avenue:** Wabash Street between 4th and Colfax avenues.

**Gunther Street:** Cherokee Street north of the 4200 block.

**Gutheil Avenue:** Peoria Street north of Colfax Avenue.

**Gutheil Avenue or Street:** Potomac Street north of Colfax Avenue.

**H Avenue:** West 48th Avenue west of Zuni Street.

**H Street:** 17th Street; Harlan Street in Edgewater.

**Hadden Avenue:** Iliff Avenue between South Holly and South Monaco streets.

**Haines Avenue:** A misspelling of Haynes Avenue, i.e., Grove Street.

**Hale Court:** Hazel Court south of West Colfax Avenue.

**Hale Holden Avenue:** A railroad right-of-way to the Burlington Railroad shops near West 51st Avenue and Delaware Street from approximately the 4500 block of Acoma Street—vacated.

**Hale Street:** Hooker Street.

**Hall Street:** Steele Street south of 6th Avenue; Julian Street between West 13th and West Colfax avenues; Raleigh Street between West 6th and West 10th avenues.

**Hallett Street:** Downing Street from Cherry Creek to Colfax Avenue.

**Hamilton Avenue:** Depew Street north of West 26th Avenue.

**Hamilton Street:** Xenia Street.

**Hamlin Street:** Valentia Street; South Bannock Street between West Mississippi and West Yale avenues—sometimes spelled **Hamil Street**.

**Hanlon Avenue:** West Kenyon Avenue.

**Hannum Avenue:** Bates Avenue.

**Hanover Avenue:** West 88th Avenue in Westminster.

**Happy Canyon Road:** Sections of I-25 south of Quincy Avenue, including a vacated section of South Quebec Street between Quincy and Belleview avenues; South Clinton Street south of Arapahoe Road.

**Harman Street:** Detroit Street between 1st and 6th avenues.

**Harrie Street:** A vacated road, the 150 north block, from Santa Fe Drive to Kalamath Street.

**Harriman Street:** West Mansfield Avenue west of South Sheridan Boulevard.

**Harris Avenue:** West Yale Avenue.

**Harris Avenue or Street:** Ammons Street south of West Colfax Avenue.

**Harrison Avenue:** Yale Avenue; Pennsylvania Street north of 55th Avenue; a no longer existing street, equivalent to the 5550 north block, east of Broadway.

**Harrison Avenue:** Harrison Street which was **Harrison Place** between Colfax and 17th avenues.

**Harrison Street:** Wyandot Street between West 8th and West 11th avenues; Osage Street north of West 44th Avenue; a vacated street that ran northeasterly from West 29th and Speer Boulevard through what is today the North High School playing fields—later renamed Foster Street; Sherman Street north of 47th Avenue; Ohio Avenue between South Kearney and South Monaco streets; South Corona Street between Iliff and Harvard avenues; Harlan Street in Edgewater; South Sycamore Street; Monaco Street between 54th and 56th avenues.

**Hart Avenue or Street:** West 6th Avenue west of Lowell Boulevard.

**Hartford Avenue:** South Fenton Street between West Alameda and West Exposition avenues.

**Hartford Street:** Chestnut Place between 19th and 21st streets.

**Hartman Avenue:** Colfax Avenue from Colorado Boulevard to Dahlia Street—often spelled **Hartmann Avenue**.

**Harvard Avenue:** Jewell Avenue east of South Downing Street—often designated **Harward Avenue**.

**Harvard Avenue, Road, or Street:** West 82nd Avenue in Westminster.

**Harvey Avenue or Street:** West 12th Avenue west of Lowell Boulevard.

**Hasie Street:** Dexter Street north of the UP tracks.

**Haskell Street:** Quince Street.

- Hatfield Road:** West 88th Avenue west of Sheridan Boulevard.
- Hathaway Street:** Galena Street.
- Haven Street:** Evans Avenue from South Colorado Boulevard to South Dahlia Street.
- Havemeyer Avenue:** 23rd Avenue east of Syracuse Street.
- Hawaii Place:** Mar Vista Place.
- Hawkins Street:** Elizabeth Street between 6th and 8th avenues.
- Hawthorn Avenue or Street:** West 33rd Avenue from Perry Street to Sheridan Boulevard; Osceola Street in Westminster.
- Hawthorn or Hawthorne Street:** Amherst Avenue; Ivanhoe Street south of 6th Avenue.
- Hawthorne Place:** 24th Avenue between Vine and Gaylord streets.
- Hawthorne Street:** Albion Street between 26th and 32nd avenues.
- Hayden Avenue:** 19th Avenue east of Monaco Street.
- Hayes Street:** South Elati Street between West Exposition and West Yale avenues; South Williams Street south of Jewell Avenue.
- Haynes Avenue:** Grove Street in Barnum.
- Hazard Avenue:** South Tejon Street in Breenlow Park.
- Hazard Road:** West Crestline Avenue west of South Prince Street—sometimes spelled **Hazzard Road**.
- Hazel Street:** Steele Street in Swansea.
- Hazen Street:** South Gilpin Street south of Jewell Avenue.
- Heard Place:** West Alamo Drive.
- Hearth or Heath Street:** 54th Avenue from Broadway to Sherman Street.
- Hein Lane:** Gray Street in Arvada.
- Helen Avenue:** Julian Street south of West 8th Avenue.
- Helen Court:** Granby Street.
- Helen Street:** Grove Street between West 38th and West 41st avenues.
- Henderson Avenue or Street:** Pierce Street.
- Henderson Street:** Carr Street.
- Henrietta Avenue:** South Colorado Boulevard.
- Henry Street:** Syracuse Street; South Clermont Street.
- Herman Street:** Zenobia Street between West 13th and West 17th avenues.
- Herta Street:** Clermont Street from Montview Boulevard to 26th Avenue.
- Hickory Street:** South Lakeview Street south of West Caley Avenue.
- Higby Street:** Elati Street between West 48th and West 52nd avenues.
- Higgins Avenue:** Decatur Street between West 13th and West Colfax avenues.
- High Point Road or Street:** Viewpoint Road north of West Colfax Avenue.
- High Street:** Depew Street between West 13th and West Colfax avenues; West Powers Avenue in Littleton; West 79th Avenue in Westminster.
- Highland Avenue:** The early designation of Federal Boulevard; West 26th Avenue west of Zuni Street; South Rosemary Way; Pierce Street from Ralston Road to West 80th Avenue.
- Highland Road:** A no longer existing street that was the equivalent of the 8400 south block, leading to Highlands Ranch—also known as **Highlands Road**.
- Highland Street:** South Emerson Street between Iliff and Harvard avenues.
- Hill Street:** Clay Street between West 4th and West Bayaud avenues; South Sherman Street.
- Hillcrest Drive:** Brentwood Street between West 20th and West 23rd avenues; South Uinta Way.
- Hindry Avenue:** 55th Avenue from Horton Court to Marion Street; a vacated road, the 5550 north block, between Clarkson and Emerson streets.
- Hodge Avenue:** Hooker Street in Westminster.
- Hodgson Avenue:** West 1st Avenue east of Federal Boulevard.
- Hoffman Street:** South Ash Street south of Dartmouth Avenue.
- Holladay Street:** Market or Walnut Street—misspelled **Holliday Street**.
- Holley Avenue:** Benton Street between West 1st and West Bayaud avenues.
- Hollingsworth Avenue:** Hudson Street north of Colfax Avenue.
- Holly Street:** Stuart Street between West 22nd and West 23rd avenues.
- Holmes Avenue:** West Ellsworth Avenue in Barnum.
- Homer Boulevard:** Lowell Boulevard.
- Horizon Street:** Girard Avenue.
- Horne Street:** Cahita Court.
- Horner Street:** Madison Street south of 6th Avenue.
- Hotchkiss Avenue:** Emerson Street between Colfax and 20th avenues.
- Houston Avenue:** A misspelling of Huston Avenue, i.e., West Iliff Avenue.
- Howard Avenue:** West Gill Place west of South Utica Street.
- Howard Lane:** West 75th Avenue in Arvada.
- Howard Place:** West Hayward Place.
- Howard Place or Street:** West 14th Avenue east of Federal Boulevard.
- Howard Street:** Linley Court; Harvard Avenue between South Dahlia and South Holly streets.
- Howe Street:** South Williams Street.
- Howell Avenue:** Kipling Street south of West 44th Avenue.
- Howells Street:** Krameria Street south of 6th Avenue.
- Howes Street:** 50th Avenue between Logan and Washington streets.
- Hoyt Street:** Lafayette Street north of 29th Avenue.
- Hudson Street:** Cherokee Street between West 48th and West 52nd avenues.
- Humphrey Avenue:** Iliff Avenue between South Dahlia and South Holly streets—sometimes designated **Humphreys Street**.
- Humphrey Avenue or Street:** West 41st Avenue from Delaware Street to Lowell Boulevard.
- Hunley Street:** King Street between West Colfax and West 20th avenues.
- Hunt Road:** Gun Club Road.
- Hunt Street:** Humboldt Street south of Colfax Avenue; South Vine Street south of Iliff Avenue.
- Hunter Street:** Birch Street north of the UP tracks; Alcott Street.
- Huntington Avenue:** West 14th Avenue west of Federal Boulevard.

**Huron Avenue or Street:** Grape Street from Colfax Avenue to Cherry Creek.  
**Huron Street:** South Elati Street south of West Caley Avenue.  
**Huston Avenue:** West Iliff Avenue west of South Pecos Street.  
**Hutchinson Lane:** West 55th Avenue in Arvada.  
**Hyacinth Avenue:** 48th Avenue between Dahlia and Monaco streets.  
**Hyde Street:** Evans Avenue between South Holly and South Monaco streets.  
**Hyde Park Avenue:** Quebec Street.  
**I Avenue:** West 49th Avenue west of Zuni Street.  
**I Street:** 18th Street downtown; Ingalls Street in Edgewater.  
**Idaho Street:** South Bannock Street between West Ellsworth and West Exposition avenues.  
**Idlewilde Avenue:** Harlan Street.  
**Illinois Avenue:** Exposition Avenue.  
**Illinois Avenue or Street:** Dexter Street from Colfax Avenue to Cherry Creek.  
**Illinois Street:** West 43rd Avenue between Tennyson and Vrain streets.  
**Inca Street (south):** South Platte River Drive.  
**Indian Street:** Indiana Street.  
**Indiana Avenue:** Center Avenue; Mexico Avenue from South Colorado Boulevard to South Dahlia Street.  
**Indiana Avenue or Street:** Hazel Court between West 26th and West 29th avenues.  
**Ingersol Avenue or Street:** Wesley Avenue between South Dahlia and South Holly streets.  
**Ingersols Court:** Newport Street from Richthofen Place to 11th Avenue.  
**Inslee Avenue:** 10th Avenue from Downing Street to Cheesman Park.  
**Inslee Street:** Lafayette Street south of Colfax Avenue.  
**Inverness Avenue:** West 34th Avenue west of Federal Boulevard.  
**Inverness Street:** Quitman Street north of 38th Avenue.  
**Ione Street:** Chester Street.  
**Iowa Avenue or Street:** Holly Street south of Colfax Avenue.



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*Modifications of street names, locations, bridges, and viaducts have been unending since the 1980s. Shown is the demolition of the old 16th Street Viaduct in the spring of 1994, looking northwest from Wazee Street.*

**Irene Street:** South Bellaire Street.  
**Irvin Avenue:** Irving Street in Westminster and in southwest Denver.  
**Irving Avenue:** 28th Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard.  
**Irving Place:** West Irvington Place.  
**Irving Street:** Ivy Street south of 6th Avenue.  
**Ivan Street:** Magnolia Street north of 72nd Avenue.  
**Ivy Street:** Vallejo Street in West Denver.  
**J Avenue:** West 50th Avenue west of Zuni Street.  
**J Street:** Both 18th and 19th streets briefly had this designation; Jay Street in Edgewater.  
**Jackson Avenue:** Jackson Street; South Olive Street south of Mansfield Avenue.  
**Jackson Street:** 1st Street; Eaton Street in Edgewater.  
**Jacob Street:** 66th Avenue west of Quebec Street.  
**James Street:** Meade Street north of West 38th Avenue.  
**Janet Street:** Meade Street between West 29th and West 32nd avenues.  
**Jasper Avenue or Street:** West 21st Avenue west of Clay Street.  
**Jasper Street:** Canosa Court.  
**Jay Street:** Emerson Street between 20th and 26th avenues.

**Jeanette Street:** Laredo Street.  
**Jefferson Avenue:** West 44th Avenue in Berkeley; 1st Avenue from Colorado Boulevard to Holly Street; West 12th Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards.  
**Jefferson Avenue or Street:** West Walsh Place; South Utica Street south of West Alameda Avenue.  
**Jefferson Place:** Cook Street between Colfax and 17th avenues.  
**Jefferson Street:** 5th Street; Cook Street between 6th and Colfax avenues; 53rd Avenue west of Colorado Boulevard; 55th Avenue between Kearney and Monaco streets; Benton Street in Edgewater.  
**Jeffries Avenue:** South Eliot Street south of West Florida Avenue.  
**Jellison Street:** Dover Street.  
**Jennie Street:** West 18th Avenue east of Federal Boulevard; Steele Street north of 29th Avenue.  
**Jennings Street:** West 10th Avenue from the Platte River to Federal Boulevard.  
**Jennett Place:** West Amherst Avenue in Englewood.  
**John Street:** Alameda Avenue; West 28th Avenue between Central and Zuni streets; West 7th Avenue east of the Platte River.  
**Johns Hopkins Avenue:** Cornell Avenue.  
**Johnson Avenue:** 51st Avenue from Thompson Court to Steele Street.  
**Johnson Street:** Cody Street.  
**Johnston Avenue:** Kettle Avenue west of South University Boulevard.  
**Joleen Court:** South Grant Street in Littleton.  
**Jones Street:** A no longer existing street, from about the 1125 block of Syracuse Street to near the 7950 block of 12th Avenue.  
**Joseph Street:** South Kearney Street between Exposition and Mississippi avenues; Floyd Avenue.  
**Joslin Street:** Crystal Street.  
**Juchem Lane:** Garrison Street south of Ridge Road; Ridge Road from Garrison Street to Independence Street; Independence Street north of Ridge Road.  
**Julia Street:** Dexter Street.  
**Julian Street:** Wyandot Street.

**Julien Street:** South Clayton Street between Mississippi and Florida avenues; South Steele Street.

**Jumbo Avenue:** Hazel Court in Barnum.

**Justina Avenue or Street:** Lipan Street north of 32nd Avenue—sometimes spelled **Justine Street**.

**K Avenue:** West 51st Avenue west of Zuni Street.

**K Street:** 19th Street downtown; Kendall Street in Edgewater.

**Kaichen Avenue:** Leyden Street north of Colfax Avenue.

**Kansas Avenue:** Logan Street.

**Kansas Street:** 40th Street.

**Kassler Street:** West Alamo Place in Littleton.

**Kawanee Street:** Garland Street between West Colfax and West 26th avenues.

**Keener Avenue:** Eliot Street from West 11th Avenue to West Holden Place—also known as **Kenner Street**—vacated.

**Keener Street:** West Arkansas Avenue west of South Federal Boulevard.

**Kellogg Street:** Alton Street north of Colfax Avenue.

**Kemp Boulevard:** Pontiac Street in Commerce City.

**Kennedy Place:** Elkhart Street.

**Kensington Court:** Kensing Court.

**Kensington Street:** Bellaire Street between 6th and 8th avenues.

**Kent Street:** West 34th Avenue from Inca Street to Federal Boulevard.

**Kentucky Avenue or Street:** Elm Street from Colfax Avenue to Cherry Creek; West 76th Avenue in Westminster.

**Kershaw Street:** 49th Avenue east of Thompson Court—also spelled **Kershow Street**.

**Kettle Street:** South Gilpin Street between Alameda and Kentucky avenues.

**Kevelin Hill Road:** Alkire Street in Arvada.

**Kiefer Lane:** Vance Street in Arvada.

**Kimbrough Lane:** Ridge Road in Arvada.

**King Street:** Elk Place in Globeville; Iowa Avenue west of South University Boulevard.

**Kingsley Street:** Iola Street.

**Kinney Avenue:** West 16th Avenue.

**Kirby Avenue:** Harvard Avenue from Sherman Street to the Platte River.

**Kirkfield Street:** Vassar Avenue from South Broadway to South Pearl Street.

**Kountze Avenue:** Louisiana Avenue east of South Monroe Street.

**Knox Avenue:** Downing Street between Colfax and 18th avenues.

**Kremling Place:** Long Avenue from South Vine Street to South University Boulevard.

**L Avenue:** West 52nd Avenue west of Zuni Street.

**L Street:** 20th Street; Lamar Street in Edgewater.

**La Veta Street:** A vacated stretch of Lafayette Street north of 54th Avenue.

**Ladbroke Street:** Albion Street between 6th and 8th avenues—misspelled **Ladbroke Street**.

**Lafayette Avenue:** West 2nd Avenue; Dakota Avenue from South Franklin Street to South University Boulevard.

**Lafayette Avenue or Street:** Vrain Street near West Colfax Avenue.

**Lafayette Street:** Clermont Street.

**Lajara or La Jara Avenue:** Galapago Street.

**Lake Avenue:** West 48th Avenue from Federal Boulevard to Tennyson Street; Yates Street near West Colfax Avenue.

**Lake Avenue, Drive, or Place:** Speer Boulevard in North Denver.

**Lake Avenue or Boulevard:** Lowell Boulevard.

**Lake Avenue or Street:** 1st Avenue; Wolff Street.

**Lake Boulevard or Street:** 12th Avenue east of Monaco Street.

**Lake Forest Avenue:** The designation of West 87th Avenue west of Federal Boulevard.

**Lake Shore Drive:** Once the designation of the road around the east end of Sloans Lake from the 4400



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*Siegel Circle is not an official Denver street. It refers to the road around the old helicopter pad directly southwest of Currigan Hall.*

block of West 17th Avenue to the 2400 block of Tennyson Street.

**Lake Street:** Tennyson Street; 51st Avenue between Logan and Huron streets; Arkins Court; Vrain Street from West Byron Place to West 32nd Avenue; Bassett Street; 39th Avenue east of Steele Street; Chase Street between West 13th and West Colfax avenues; South Lakeview Street; West 10th Avenue in Lakewood.

**Lake View or Lakeview Avenue:** Ohio Avenue from South Franklin Street to South University Boulevard; Yates Street.

**Lakeview Place:** South Elati Circle in Littleton.

**Lakewood Street or Road:** Carr Street between West 6th and West 26th avenues—also known as **Lakewood Crossing Road**.

**Lamont Street:** Huron Street between West 48th and West 52nd avenues—vacated.

**Lane Street:** Wolff Street.

**Lansing Avenue:** South Ames Street between West Alameda and West Exposition avenues.

**Larimer Street:** Lafayette Street from 38th Avenue to Franklin Street.

**Lark Avenue:** Yates Avenue between West Colfax and West 17th avenues.

**Lark Street:** South Pecos Street south of the Platte River; Quivas Street from the Platte River to West 8th Avenue; 39th Avenue east of Steele Street.

**Larkspur Parkway:** Del Mar Circle from the 750 block of Peoria Street to Hoffman Boulevard.

**Larnard Avenue:** West Nevada Place west of South Stuart Street.

**Laundon Street:** Brighton Boulevard from 46th Avenue to the Burlington Railroad tracks.

**Laurel Avenue or Street:** Meade Street between West 20th and West 26th avenues.

**Laurel Street:** Zuni Street south of West Colfax Avenue.

**Lavere Street:** Dunkirk Street.

**Laveta Place:** Lamar Street near West 48th Avenue.

**Lawrence Street:** Humboldt Street from 38th Avenue at Humboldt Street to 38th Avenue at Franklin Street.

**Learnard Street:** Elmira Street.

**Leclair Street:** Allison Street in Arvada.

**Lecompte Avenue:** South Newton Street.

**Lee Avenue or Street:** Warren Avenue; Raritan Street.

**Lee Court:** Alley dividing Quivas and Shoshone streets between West 40th and West 41st avenues.

**Lees Lane:** Tabor Street.

**Legge Street:** Vine Street in Elyria.

**Leiter Avenue:** West Center Avenue west of South Utica Street.

**Leland Avenue:** Asbury Avenue west of South Clarkson Street; West Crestline Avenue.

**Lelia Avenue:** Hooker Street in Villa Park.

**Lemon Street:** Steele Street between 38th and 39th avenues; Adams Street in Swansea.

**Lena Street:** Leaf Court.

**Leo Street:** Ash Street between 26th and 32nd avenues.

**Leonard Street:** Elmira Street; West Nevada Place west of South Stuart Street.

**Levard Avenue:** Magnolia Street.

**Levee:** Grinnell Court at 15th Street and the Platte River.

**Lewis Avenue:** 9th Avenue between Monaco and Quebec streets.

**Lewis Lane:** Kipling Street north of West 44th Avenue.

**Lexington Place:** West Ada Place.

**Lexington Street:** South Cherry Street south of Dartmouth Avenue.

**Liberty Street:** West 39th Avenue between Tennyson and Vrain streets.

**Lida Street:** South Monroe Street south of Hampden Avenue—vacated.

**Lightburn Street:** South High Street south of Jewell Avenue.

**Lilac Avenue or Court:** Morrison Road from West Colfax Avenue to West Howard Place.

**Lillie Avenue or Street:** South Lafayette Street.

**Lincoln Avenue:** Lincoln Street; Glenarm Place northeast of 20th Avenue; West 64th Avenue; South Spotswood Street.

**Lincoln Boulevard:** Mansfield Avenue west of South Quebec Street.

**Lincoln Street:** Colorado Avenue east of South University Boulevard; Newland Street in Edgewater; Kearney Street between 54th and 56th avenues.

**Lindell Street:** South Bellaire Street south of Dartmouth Avenue.

**Linden Avenue:** West Irvington Place.

**Linden Street:** South Forest Street.

**Lindy Lane:** Welch Street.

**Lininger Lane:** West Progress Avenue.

**Linn Lane or Street:** Vivian Street.

**Linwood Place:** West Mulberry Place from Zenobia Street to Sheridan Boulevard—vacated.

**Linwood Street:** West 10th Avenue west of Tennyson Street.

**Lionne Street:** Emerson Street between 51st and 52nd avenues.

**Little Street:** Niagara Street north of 38th Avenue.

**Littleton Avenue:** Orchard Road.

**Littleton Broadway:** Littleton Boulevard.

**Loch Lane:** West 75th Avenue between Estes and Kipling streets.

**Locust Avenue:** West 51st Avenue; West Kenyon Avenue; 16th Avenue from Potomac Street to Sable Boulevard.

**Locust Street:** Adams Street north of 26th Avenue; Xavier Street in Berkeley; Fox Street between West 48th and West 52nd avenues; South Glencoe Street near Harvard Avenue; Caley Avenue west of South Steele Street; West Fair Avenue.

**Logan Avenue:** Logan Street; Court Place northeast of 20th Avenue; South Louthan Street.

**Logan Street:** Humboldt Street north of 29th Avenue; Clayton Street south of Colfax Avenue; Winona Court; South Marion Street south of Jewell Avenue; Williams Street between 6th and 40th avenues; South Wyandot Street; Locust Street between 54th and 56th avenues.

**Logandale Avenue, Street, or Boulevard:** Oxford Avenue.

**Logandale Drive:** A no longer existing diagonal street from the 400 block of West Kenyon Avenue to about the 900 block of West Oxford Avenue.

**London Street:** A misspelling of Laundon Street, i.e., Brighton Boulevard.

**Long Avenue:** South Jackson Street south of Florida Avenue; South Monroe Street between Mississippi and Jewell avenues; South Albion Street between Jewell and Yale avenues.

**Long Road:** Orchard Road.

**Longfellow Avenue:** 29th Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard.

**Longfellow Avenue or Street:** Eliot Street between West Colfax and West 17th avenues—vacated.

**Longs Avenue:** Gray Street between West 1st and West Alameda avenues.

**Loretto Avenue or Street:** Irving Street.

**Lorne Avenue or Street:** Raleigh Street.

**Louis Street:** 42nd Avenue in Swansea.

**Louise Street:** Monroe Street south of 6th Avenue.

**Loustano Avenue or Road:** 26th Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard.

**Lowell Street:** Elmira Street; Elati Street north of West 38th Avenue; Fox Street between West 48th and West 52nd avenues.

**Lower Lane:** West 62nd Avenue in Arvada.

**Lower Parker Road:** South Quebec Way.

**Loy Avenue:** Hazel Court in Villa Park.

**Loyola Street:** King Street south of the Regis campus.

**Lulu Avenue:** Roslyn Street.

**Lydia Street:** Bellaire Street; South Grape Street south of Harvard Avenue.

**Lynds Avenue:** Ivy Street north of Colfax Avenue—misspelled: **Lynda Avenue**; **Lyons Street**.

**Lynn Street:** Dallas Street.

**Lyon Street:** Elati Street between approximately West 31st and West 33rd avenues—vacated.

**Lyons Avenue:** West Evans Avenue west of South Lowell Boulevard.

**M Street:** 21st Street; Marshall Street in Edgewater.

**Mach Court:** Kearney Street north of 60th Avenue.

**Mackey Street:** King Street between West 38th and West 46th avenues—also spelled **Mackie Street**.

**Madden Avenue:** Iliff Avenue between South Holly and South Monaco streets.

**Madison Avenue:** West 11th Avenue west of Federal Boulevard—vacated; Caley Avenue east of South Steele Street.

**Madison Street:** 4th Street—vacated; Chase Street in Edgewater; Lowell Boulevard south of West Colfax Avenue.

**Maggee Place:** West Bingham Place.

**Main Avenue:** Cedar Avenue east of South Clarkson Street.

**Main or Maine Avenue or Street:** Birch Street south of Colfax Avenue.

**Main Street:** Williams Street north of 20th Avenue; Dale Court between West 4th and West 6th avenues; Decatur Street between West 8th and West 13th avenues; 55th Avenue west of Washington Street; West Jefferson Avenue; West 66th Avenue in Arvada; South Syracuse Way; South Santa Fe Drive south of West Quincy Avenue.

**Maine Avenue or Street:** Ivanhoe Street south of Colfax.

**Majestic Avenue:** Garrison Street in Arvada.

**Malcom Avenue:** West Stanford Avenue.

**Malcom Street:** South Monroe Street; South Monaco Street south of Jewell Avenue.

**Malinda Street:** West Alamo Avenue.

**Malone Avenue:** West 10th Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards.

**Malta Street:** South Kalamath Street south of West Ellsworth Avenue.

**Manchester Avenue:** South Kalamath Street south of West Mississippi Avenue.

**Manchester Street:** Valentia Street; Florence Street.

**Manitou Avenue:** Pontiac Street.

**Manitou Street:** Chester Street.

**Manning Street:** Quitman Street south of West 17th Avenue.

**Maple Avenue:** South Hazel Court between West Kentucky and West Florida avenues.

**Maple Avenue or Street:** West 41st Avenue in Berkeley; Tennyson Street between West 13th and West 17th avenues; Evans Avenue between South Dahlia and South Holly streets; Holland Street south of West Colfax Avenue.

**Maple Street:** Maple Avenue; Raritan Street between West 12th and West 14th avenues—vacated; Cook Street between 39th and 46th avenues; Yates Street; South Dale Court; West Kenyon Avenue; South Hazel Court; Fenton Street near West 32nd Avenue; West 75th Avenue in Westminster; Weaver Avenue west of South Steele Street; West Maplewood Avenue.

**Margaret Street:** West 47th Avenue east of Pecos Street—also known as **Margarite** or **Margurett Street** or **Marguret Avenue**.

**Margie Lane:** South Quince Street.

**Margo Court:** South Sherman Street in Littleton.

**Marian Street:** 39th Avenue east of Monaco Street.

**Marjorie Avenue:** South Raritan Street.

**Market Street:** Walnut Street southwest of Cherry Creek and northeast of 23rd Street.

**Marshall Street:** High Street in Elyria; 43rd Avenue between High and Madison streets.



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*Edgewater is the community directly west of Denver between West 17th and West 26th avenues. Prior to the Maloney System, it named its roads after presidents. It has placed special signs along West 25th Avenue that note the roads' previous names, such as how Depew Street was Monroe Street until 1906.*

**Martha Street:** Navajo Street between West 44th and West 48th avenues.

**Martin Avenue:** Mariposa Street.

**Martin Street:** West 7th Avenue west of Cherry Creek.

**Marvin Avenue:** West 13th Avenue from Federal Boulevard to Tennyson Street.

**Mary Avenue:** Huron Street.

**Mary Street:** Ash Street; Cherokee Street in Argo; Umatilla Street; Cornell Avenue; West Progress Avenue from South Windermere Street to the railroad tracks—sometimes designated **May Avenue or Street**.

**Marygold Avenue:** Monaco Street near 6th Avenue.

**Maryland Avenue:** Hampden Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard.

**Maryland Avenue or Street:** Ivanhoe Street south of Colfax Avenue.

**Massachusetts Avenue:** West Asbury Avenue west of South Pecos Street.



**Massachusetts Avenue or Street:** Jasmine Street south of Colfax Avenue.

**May Avenue:** Quince Street from 12th Avenue to Richthofen Place; Richthofen Place between Quince and Roslyn streets.

**May Street:** Julian Street between West Colfax and West 20th avenues.

**Mayer Avenue or Street:** Union Avenue.

**McBurney Avenue:** South Cherry Street between Jewell and Evans avenues.

**McClain or McLain Street:** Julian Street between West 38th and West 46th avenues.

**McClellan Avenue:** St. Paul Street north of 26th Avenue.

**McClellan Court or Street:** A misspelling of McLellan Court or Street, i.e., Humboldt Street.

**McCook Avenue or Street:** West Floyd Avenue between South Federal and South Lowell boulevards.

**McCook Street:** Cherry Street between 26th and 32nd avenues.

**McCormic Avenue or Street:** Perry Street north of West Colfax Avenue.

**McCormick Avenue:** Grove Street in Westminster.

**McCourt Street:** South Shoshone Street south of West Dartmouth Avenue.

**McDonald Street:** 27th Avenue east of Downing Street.

**McDuffee Court:** A vacated section of Wazee Street between 22nd and 23rd streets.

**McGaa Street:** Market Street; Walnut Street.

**McKinley Avenue:** Colorado Boulevard from Alameda Avenue to the UP tracks from 1901 until 1904.

**McLellan Court or Street:** Humboldt Street from 38th Avenue at Humboldt Street to 38th Avenue at Franklin Street. East of Franklin Street, 38th Avenue was **McLellan** or **East McLellan Street**.

**McMurray Avenue:** South Newton Street between West Virginia and West Kentucky avenues—misspelled **McMurphy Avenue**.

**McNassar Street:** Huron Street from West 29th Avenue to the Platte River.

**Meade Avenue:** Krameria Street north of Colfax Avenue.

**Meade Avenue or Street:** Eastman Avenue.

**Meadowbrook Road:** West Arapahoe Road.

**Mecca Street:** South Hudson Street.

**Mechling Street:** South Cherokee Street between West Mississippi and West Louisiana avenues.

**Mecia Street:** West Arizona Avenue from South Broadway to the Platte River.

**Medford Avenue:** West Colorado Avenue west of South Pecos Street.

**Media or Medio Street:** Fox Street.

**Medina Street:** South Holly Street.

**Meeker Avenue:** Mineral Avenue west of South University Boulevard.

**Melon Street:** Adams Street between 38th and 39th avenues; Cook Street in Swansea.

**Melrose Avenue:** Spruce Street.

**Melrose Place:** A no longer existing north-south street one block west of Grove Street in Highland Park.

**Melzar Street:** 47th Avenue from Broadway to Washington Street—sometimes spelled **Melzer Street**.

**Merrill Avenue:** South Oneida Street.

**Merrill Street:** Kalamath Street between West 33rd and West 44th avenues—misspelled **Merritt Street**.

**Merritt Street:** South Holly Street.

**Michigan Avenue or Street:** Glencoe Street south of Colfax Avenue.

**Michigan Street:** West Arizona Avenue west of South Federal Boulevard.

**Middle Golden Road:** West 26th Avenue west of Denver; West 32nd Avenue west of Kipling Street.

**Middle Street:** Van Gordon Street.

**Military Road:** West Oxford Avenue west of South Irving Street.

**Mill Street:** South Natches Court.

**Miller Avenue:** South Colorado Boulevard south of Alameda Avenue.

**Miller Street:** Tower Road.

**Milleson Avenue:** Wyandot Street from the Platte River to West 8th Avenue—often spelled **Millison Avenue**.

**Milleson Street:** West Mulberry Place east of the Platte River. Sometimes referred to as **Milleson Avenue** and often spelled **Millison Street**.

**Millington Avenue:** Harvard Avenue between South Holly and South Monaco streets.

**Millington Street:** South Humboldt Street south of Jewell Avenue.

**Mills Street:** Bahama Street.

**Millson Avenue:** 32nd Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard.

**Milton Avenue:** South Dale Court south of West Florida Avenue.

**Milton Avenue or Street:** Wyandot Street from West 8th Avenue to West Mulberry Place.

**Ming Street:** 17th Street in Highland.

**Miner Street:** 45th Avenue east of Race Street.

**Minor Street:** South Shoshone Street north of West Cornell Avenue.

**Minion Street:** West 30th Avenue west of Tennyson Street.

**Minnesota Avenue or Street:** Eudora Street from Colfax Avenue to Cherry Creek.

**Mitchell Avenue:** Jasmine Street between 32nd and 38th avenues.

**Mitchell Street:** West Lilley Avenue.

**Model Road:** West 64th Avenue.

**Moffatt Avenue:** Glencoe Street north of Colfax Avenue.

**Mohawk Street:** Wolff Street between West 32nd and West 37th avenues.

**Moltke Street:** Bellaire Street between 26th and 32nd avenues.

**Monroe Avenue:** West 8th Avenue west of Federal Boulevard.

**Monroe Street:** 3rd Street; West Myrtle Place; Emporia Street; Depew Street in Edgewater; 54th Avenue between Kearney and Monaco streets.

**Montage Road:** Jamison Avenue.

**Montague Street:** West Holden Place.

**Montana Avenue:** West 40th Avenue east of Pecos Street.

**Montana Avenue or Street:** Bellaire Street south of Colfax Avenue.

**Montclair Boulevard:** 13th Avenue east of Monaco Street; 6th Avenue east of Dahlia Street.

- Monte Carlo Avenue:** South Milwaukee Street between Mississippi and Mexico avenues.
- Monte Christo Avenue:** South Fillmore Street between Mississippi and Mexico avenues.
- Monte Christo Street:** South Quivas Street.
- Monterrey Avenue:** South Steele Street between Mississippi and Mexico avenues.
- Montezuma Avenue:** South St. Paul Street between Mississippi and Mexico avenues; Newton Street in Westminster.
- Montgomery Street:** Jason Street near West 29th Avenue; Perry Street.
- Monti Cello or Monticello Street:** West 34th Avenue from Tennyson Street to Sheridan Boulevard.
- Montrose Avenue:** Willow Street.
- Moore Street:** Dartmouth Avenue; Jewell Avenue east of South Dahlia Street.
- Moose Street:** 10th Avenue.
- Morey Avenue:** South Clay Street south of West Florida Avenue.
- Morgan Avenue:** West 4th Avenue east of Federal Boulevard.
- Morgan Street:** Decatur Street between West Colfax and West 17th avenues—vacated.
- Morningside Road:** Quail Street between West 12th and West Colfax avenues.
- Morris Avenue:** 8th Avenue.
- Morrison Boulevard:** West Hampden Avenue west of South Sheridan Boulevard.
- Morrison Road:** West Mississippi Avenue from South Sheridan Boulevard to South Pierce Street, South Pierce Street between West Mississippi and West Jewell avenues, West Jewell Avenue from South Pierce Street to South Wadsworth Boulevard, and South Wadsworth Boulevard from West Jewell Avenue to the current Morrison Road. Grove Street between Speer Boulevard and West 29th Avenue was a different Morrison Road.
- Morse Avenue:** Jefferson Avenue; South Dahlia Street; South Cook Street between Mississippi and Jewell avenues.
- Morton Avenue:** Mariposa Street north of West 44th Avenue.
- Motley Street:** Kearney Street south of 6th Avenue.
- Mouat Avenue:** Columbine Street between 46th and 48th avenues.
- Moulton Street:** South Forest Street.
- Mount Olivet Road:** Youngfield Street from West Colfax Avenue to Mount Olivet Cemetery. Also known as **Olivet Road or Street**.
- Mount View Boulevard:** Montview Boulevard.
- Mountain Avenue:** 32nd Avenue east of Downing Street.
- Mountain View Avenue:** Vrain Street; South Ogden Street between Iliff and Harvard avenues; West 13th Avenue west of Sheridan Boulevard.
- Mountain View Place:** Teller Street in Arvada.
- Mulberry Street:** Wyandot Street.
- Munroe Avenue or Street:** Monroe Street.
- Murdock Avenue or Street:** Elizabeth Street north of 26th Avenue.
- Murdock Street:** Clayton Street between 1st and 6th avenues; West 36th Avenue from Navajo Street to Federal Boulevard.
- Mutley Street:** A variant spelling of Motley Street, i.e., Kearney Street.
- Myers Circle:** A no longer existing semi-circular road connecting Rudolph and Duncan streets near the 8000 block of 11th Avenue.
- Myrtle Avenue:** Evans Avenue west of South Clarkson Street; Chase Street north of West 26th Avenue.
- Myrtle Hill Drive:** A vacated street, a U-shaped road from South Colorado Boulevard at Amherst Avenue to the 4100 east block and then to the 2850 block of South Colorado Boulevard.
- Myrtle Street:** Alcott Street between West 2nd and West 7th avenues; Quitman Street between West 20th and West 23rd avenues.
- N Street:** 22nd Street; Newland Street in Edgewater.
- Nalle Street:** West 12th Avenue east of Federal Boulevard.
- Napier Street:** Niagara Street north of 72nd Avenue—vacated.
- Naples Court:** A vacated street, the 6850 east block, north of 38th Avenue—previously Poplar Street.
- Navajo Avenue:** Emporia Street south of Colfax Avenue.
- Nebraska Street:** 38th Street.
- Nelson Avenue:** Lamar Street in Arvada.
- Nelson Street:** Williams Street north of 46th Avenue.
- Nepita Street:** Newport Street.
- Nettleton Avenue:** Eastman Avenue east of South Colorado Boulevard.
- Nevada Road:** South Steele Street south of Belleview Avenue.
- Nevada Street:** Cherry Street from Colfax Avenue to Montview Boulevard; a shortened version of Sierra Nevada Street, i.e., Vrain Street.
- Nevens Street:** Bryant Street between West 8th and West 12th avenues.
- New Hampshire Avenue or Street:** Ivy Street south of Colfax Avenue.
- New Jersey Avenue or Street:** Locust Street.
- New Mexico Avenue or Street:** Ash Street south of Colfax Avenue.
- New York Avenue:** Quitman Street in Barnum; Pennsylvania Street south of 10th Avenue.
- New York Avenue or Street:** Leyden Street.
- Newell Street:** Floyd Avenue.
- Newhall Street:** Florence Street.
- Newport Avenue:** Newport Street.
- Newport Street:** Geneva Street.
- Newton Street:** Dayton Street north of Colfax Avenue.
- Niagara Street:** West Moncrieff Place from Tennyson Street to Sheridan Boulevard.
- Nichols Avenue:** 52nd Avenue east of the Platte River—sometimes spelled **Nicholas Avenue**.
- Nobel Street:** Norse Street.
- Nobles Road:** Arapahoe Road west of South Colorado Boulevard.
- Normal Street:** Joliet Street.
- North 16th Street:** Tejon Street between West 30th and West 44th avenues.
- North 18th Street:** Shoshone Street between West 32nd and West 44th avenues.

**North Avenue:** 46th Avenue from Broadway to Washington Street; Montview Boulevard in Aurora.

**North Boulevard:** West 48th Avenue.

**North Church Street:** Harrison Street between 32nd and 35th avenues.

**North Clarkson Street:** Clarkson Street north of the Platte River.

**North Denver Avenue:** West 45th Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards.

**North Emerson Street:** Emerson Street north of the Platte River.

**North Golden Road:** West 44th Avenue west of Sheridan Boulevard.

**North Grant Avenue:** Tremont Place northeast of 20th Avenue; Sherman Street between 44th and 50th avenues; Grant Street north of 50th Avenue.

**North Graves Avenue:** Lamar Street north of West 56th Avenue.

**North Lincoln Avenue:** Glenarm Place northeast of 20th Avenue; Leaf Court between 44th and 50th avenues; Lincoln Street north of 50th Avenue.

**North Logan Avenue:** Court Place northeast of 20th Avenue; Grant Street between 44th and 50th avenues.

**North Park Street:** Adams Street north of 26th Avenue.

**North Pearl Avenue:** Pennsylvania Street between 44th and 48th avenues.

**North Pennsylvania Avenue:** Cleveland Place northeast of 20th Avenue—vacated; Logan Street between 44th and 46th avenues; Pennsylvania Street between 48th and 50th avenues.

**North Sherman Avenue:** Lincoln Street between 44th and 50th avenues; Sherman Street north of 50th Avenue.

**North Street:** Vrain Street in Berkeley; Chestnut Place northeast of Division Street.

**North Washington Avenue:** Pearl Street north of 46th Avenue.

**Norton Avenue:** 52nd Avenue between Sherman and Huron streets.

**Norton Court:** A misspelling of today's Horton Court.

**Norwalk Avenue:** Arapahoe Place.

**Norwalk Drive:** Briarwood Boulevard.

**Norwood Street:** Yarrow Street between West Colfax and West 20th avenues.

**Nursery Street:** Billings Street.

**O Street:** 23rd Street—designated Park Avenue West in 1990; Otis Street in Edgewater.

**Oak Avenue:** West 43rd Avenue.

**Oak Avenue or Street:** Grove Street between West 20th and West 26th avenues; West Lehigh Avenue; South Julian Street between West Kentucky and West Florida avenues.

**Oak Court:** O'Hayre Court.



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*Some Englewood street signs are decorated with the city's symbol which is supposed to be an abstract tree. In a sense, the logo looks like the road system of a typical suburban subdivision.*

**Oak Street:** Winona Court; Quebec Street near 6th Avenue; South Zuni Street south of West Cedar Avenue; South Rosemary Way; Independence Street; West Arbor Avenue; Weaver Place; West 67th Place east of Federal Boulevard.

**Oakdale Avenue:** 19th Avenue east of Monaco Street.

**Oakland Street:** South Rosemary Way south of Harvard Avenue.

**Oakley Avenue:** 43rd Avenue west of Sherman Street.

**Oakley Lane:** Much of Rio Grande Boulevard follows the path of this street which was vacated in 1946; West 13th Avenue west of Simms Street.

**Oberon Road:** Kipling Street in Arvada.

**Odell Drive:** Briarwood Drive.

**Ogilvie Street:** Osceola Street north of West 48th Avenue.

**Ohio Avenue:** Irving Street between West 26th and West 32nd avenues.

**Ohio Street:** 50th Avenue between Logan and Huron streets; West 44th Avenue between Tennyson and Vrain streets.

**Old Clark Road:** Mississippi Avenue between South University and South Colorado boulevards; South Colorado Boulevard south of Mississippi Avenue.

**Old Golden Avenue or Road:** West Colfax Avenue; Wide Acres Road.

**Old Mill Street:** A no longer existing street, approximately the 2850 west block near West Bowles Avenue. The Rough and Ready Mill, a pioneer Littleton business, was located on this road. Parts of the byway were once known as Grove Street.

**Olga Street:** Ogden Street between 51st and 52nd avenues—vacated.

**Olive Avenue:** Fairfax Street north of Montview Boulevard; Zenobia Street north of West Colfax Avenue.

**Olive Avenue or Street:** 13th Avenue between Shoshone and Monaco streets; Monaco Street between 26th and 32nd avenues.

**Olive Street:** Acoma Street.

**Olivet Road or Street:** Youngfield Street south of Mount Olivet Cemetery.

**Olivet Street:** Yukon Street in Arvada.

**Olson Avenue:** West Girton Place.

**Omaha Street:** West Bayaud Avenue west of South Sheridan Boulevard.

**Oneida Avenue:** 7th Avenue in Aurora.

**Ontario Avenue:** 8th Avenue in Aurora.

**Ontario Avenue or Street:** Holly Street south of Colfax Avenue.

**Orange Street:** Cook Street between 38th and 39th avenues; Madison Street in Swansea; Bannock Street between West 48th and West 52nd avenues; West Arbor Place.

**Orchard Place:** Newton Street in Westminster.

**Oregon Street:** South Cherokee Street between West Bayaud and West Alameda avenues.

**Orient Street:** Cherokee Street.

**Orison Street:** Ellsworth Avenue between Clarkson and Downing streets.

**Osmer Street:** West Crestline Avenue east of South Windermere Street.

**Otis Street:** South Krameria Street between Exposition and Mississippi avenues.

**Ottawa Drive:** Davies Avenue.

**Ouray Street:** Julian Street in Westminster.

**Outlet Street:** West 55th Avenue in Arvada.

**Oxford Avenue:** Tamarac Street.

**P Street:** 24th Street; Pierce Street in Edgewater.

**Pacific Avenue:** Asbury Avenue between South Fairfax and South Holly streets.

**Pacific Street:** 40th Avenue east of Franklin Street.

**Packard Place:** Fillmore Street between Colfax and 17th avenues; Cheyenne Place northeast of 20th Avenue.

**Packard Street:** Clayton Street between 6th and 8th avenues; Wesley Street east of South Colorado Boulevard.

**Packing House Road:** National Western Drive.

**Page Street:** Race Street; West 32nd Avenue between Cherokee and Galapago streets—vacated in 1947.

**Palm Court:** West Caley Place.

**Palm Street:** Benton Street near West 32nd Avenue.

**Palmer Avenue or Street:** Navajo Street from the Platte River to West 38th Avenue.

**Paloma Street:** Ash Street from Montview Boulevard to 26th Avenue.

**Pansy Avenue:** 50th Avenue between Dahlia and Monaco streets; Yates Street from West Byron Place to West 26th Avenue.

**Park Avenue:** West 4th Avenue west of Tennyson Street; 52nd Avenue from Steele Street to Colorado Boulevard; 34th Avenue between Elm and Forest streets; West Floyd Avenue.

**Park Avenue or Street:** Wolff Street.

**Park Boulevard:** 17th Avenue from Detroit Street to Colorado Boulevard.

**Park Place:** Steele Street between Colfax and 17th avenues; West Parkhill Avenue.

**Park Street:** Adams Street north of 26th Avenue; Marion Street between 17th and 35th avenues; 9th Avenue east of the alley of Grant-Logan streets; Benton Street between West 13th and West Colfax avenues; Vrain Street from West Byron Place to West 26th Avenue; West 28th Avenue west of Newland Street; Webster Street in Arvada.

**Parker Road:** South Quebec Way.

**Parkinson Street:** Cleveland Place.

**Parsons Street:** Gaylord Street in Elyria.

**Patterson Avenue:** Mansfield Avenue.

**Patton Street:** Milwaukee Street between 1st and 6th avenues—misspelled **Paton Street**.

**Paul Street:** Bates Avenue; a road vacated in 1968 that was a half block east of Morrison Road, from West Howard Place to West 14th Avenue. **Paul Court** was West 14th Avenue from Paul Street to the Platte River.

**Pauling Avenue:** Lehigh Avenue.

**Peabody Street:** Maplewood Avenue.

**Pearce Street:** A misspelling of Pierce Street, i.e., West 26th Avenue.

**Pearl Avenue:** West 5th Avenue east of Federal Boulevard.

**Pearl Avenue or Street:** West 22nd Avenue.

**Pearl Street:** Fairfax Street between 17th and 19th avenues; South Jackson Street between Iliff and Yale avenues; West Ithaca Avenue.

**Peekskill Avenue:** Wabash Street—misspelled **Pecks Hill Avenue**.

**Penelope Avenue:** South Decatur Street south of West Florida Avenue.

**Penn or Pennsylvania Place or Avenue:** West Archer Place east of South Federal Boulevard.

**Pennsylvania Avenue:** Pennsylvania Street; Cleveland Place northeast of 20th Avenue—vacated.

**Pequonnock Street:** Stuart Street in Barnum.

**Perth Street:** A vacated street in Highland Park from West 29th Avenue to Dunkeld Place.

**Perry Avenue:** Montview Boulevard east of Monaco Street.

**Perry Road:** Indiana Street in Arvada.

**Perry Street:** South Patton Court between West Ohio and West Kentucky avenues.

**Phillips Avenue:** West 5th Avenue east of the Platte River; Taft Street.

**Pierce Street:** West 26th Avenue from the Platte River to Zuni Street—vacated; South High Street between Alameda and Kentucky avenues; Marshall Street in Edgewater; Urban Street near West Colfax Avenue.

**Pierpont Street:** Washington Street between 20th and 26th avenues.

**Pike Street:** Argonne Street.

**Pike View Avenue:** Jellison Street between West 10th and West 13th avenues—today Pike View Street.

**Pikes Avenue:** Eaton Street between West 1st and West Alameda avenues.

**Pikeview Place:** Iowa Drive.

**Pine Avenue or Street:** Utica Street; West Nassau Avenue west of South Broadway.

**Pine Street:** Madison Street north of 26th Avenue; Monroe Street north of 40th Avenue; 28th Avenue; 12th Avenue; Oneida Street south of Montclair; South Clayton Street; Depew Street near West 32nd Avenue.

**Pink Avenue:** Quebec Street north of 50th Avenue.

**Pinon Street:** A vacated section of Pecos Street south of West Colfax Avenue which is a railroad right-of-way.

**Pioneer Street:** Teller Street south of West 38th Avenue; Upham Street north of West 38th Avenue.

**Pitkin Avenue:** West Byers Place between South Meade and South Stuart streets, which was considered part of West Alameda Avenue until 1940—a vacated section of the road cut through to South Federal Boulevard.

**Pitkin Street:** South Vine Street between Alameda and Kentucky avenues; West 7th Avenue west of Lowell Boulevard.

**Platte Avenue:** West Dartmouth Avenue.

**Platte Avenue or Street:** South Pecos Street between West Mississippi and West Yale avenues.

**Platte River Drive:** Road adjacent to the Platte River north of Ellsworth Avenue, much of which became the right-of-way for the Valley Highway; 50th Avenue along the Platte River southwest of Franklin Street.

- Pleasant Avenue:** Washington Street south of 10th Avenue.
- Plum Place:** South Cherry Way west of South Dahlia Street.
- Plum Street:** Madison Street between 38th and 39th avenues; Monroe Street in Swansea.
- Polk Street:** Jay Street in Edgewater.
- Pollock Street:** 16th Street in Highland.
- Poole Street:** Decatur Street between West 4th and West Bayaud avenues.
- Poplar Avenue:** Peakview Avenue from South University Boulevard to South Steele Street.
- Poplar Avenue, Lane, Road, or Street:** Caley Avenue.
- Poplar Street:** A vacated street, the 6850 east block, north of 38th Avenue—designated **Naples Court** in the 1904 reorganization of the streets.
- Porter Avenue:** Knox Court south of West Colfax Avenue.
- Porter Street:** Downing Street between 1st and Jewell avenues.
- Potter Avenue:** Lowell Boulevard south of West Colfax Avenue.
- Potter Court:** Wazee Street between 23rd and 24th streets—vacated.
- Powell Street:** Humboldt Street north of 46th Avenue.
- Prairie Avenue:** Kenyon Avenue.
- Prairie Street:** Perry Street.
- Prentis Avenue or Road:** West Prentice Avenue.
- Prescott Street:** Jasmine Street south of 6th Avenue.
- Preston Avenue:** Costilla Avenue east of South Pennsylvania Street.
- Preston Street:** South Birch Street south of Dartmouth Avenue.
- Princeton Avenue:** Amherst Avenue; West 85th Avenue in Westminster.
- Prospect Avenue:** West 38th Avenue; Tennyson Street in West Villa Park.
- Prospect Avenue or Street:** Dallas Street; Kline Street.
- Prospect Street:** South Lafayette Street south of Jewell Avenue.



*Seventeenth Avenue begins east of Broadway at 17th Street at one of the many five-pointed intersections where the downtown diagonal grid and the north-south/east-west grid of the rest of the city meet. The Brown Palace Hotel is on the left. Central Presbyterian Church is the structure near the top of the hill.*

- Providence Avenue:** South Gray Street between West Alameda and West Exposition avenues.
- Providence Street:** Galena Street.
- Pueblo Avenue:** Uinta Street; King Street in Westminster.
- Pueblo Street:** Lima Street.
- Putnam Street:** Alton Street.
- Q Street:** 25th Street.
- Quincy Street:** 2nd Street—vacated as the right-of-way of the Valley Highway; Delaware Street north of West 41st Avenue; Kentucky Avenue between South Kearney and South Monaco streets.
- Quinn Avenue:** Costilla Avenue from South Broadway to South Pennsylvania Street.
- R Street:** 26th Street.
- Railroad Avenue:** Reno Drive.
- Railroad Boulevard:** West Jefferson Avenue west of South Sheridan Boulevard.

- Railroad Street:** Grandview Avenue; South Windermere Street south of West Quincy Avenue.
- Ralston Avenue:** Ralston Road.
- Ramo Woolridge Road:** Dry Creek Road from South Colorado Boulevard to South Holly Street.
- Randolph Street:** 41st Avenue in Swansea; 40th Avenue east of Quebec Street.
- Rankin Road:** Washington Street north of 52nd Avenue.
- Raritan Street:** Cottonwood Street.
- Raven Street:** West 12th Avenue west of Xınca Court—vacated.
- Rawlins Street:** South Grape Street.
- Raymond Street:** West Tufts Avenue in Englewood.
- Raynolds Street:** West 14th Avenue west of Irving Street.
- Redwood Street:** Madison Street in Swansea.
- Reed Street:** Uinta Street between 17th and 19th avenues.
- Reid Street:** Ames Street between West 13th and West Colfax avenues.
- Rhea Avenue:** West 60th Avenue west of Sheridan Boulevard.
- Reynolds Street:** A misspelling of Raynolds Street, i.e., West 14th Avenue.
- Rhode Island Avenue or Street:** Krameria Street between 6th and Colfax avenues.
- Rhodes Avenue:** Easter Avenue.
- Rice Avenue:** 16th Avenue in Aurora.
- Richardson Street:** 54th Avenue from Broadway to Sherman Street.
- Riche Drive:** West Briarwood Avenue.
- Richmond Avenue:** Perry Street in Barnum.
- Richmond Street:** South Bannock Street between West Mississippi and West Louisiana avenues.
- Ridge Road:** Independence Street.
- Ridge Street:** West 30th Avenue west of Jay Street.
- Ridgewood Lane:** West Costilla Avenue.
- Ridgewood Road:** West Davies Avenue.

## DENVER STREETS

- Ridgley Avenue or Street:** Umatilla Street between West 3rd and West 8th avenues.
- Rietta Avenue:** Chase Street in Berkeley Annex.
- Rio Grande Avenue:** West 8th Avenue east of Federal Boulevard; South Navajo Street in Englewood.
- Rising Sun Avenue or Road:** Garland Street.
- Risling Avenue:** South Inca Street south of West Florida Avenue—vacated—also known as **Rising Avenue**.
- River Street:** Delaware Street between West 31st and West 34th avenues—vacated—and south of West Mississippi Avenue which is today South Santa Fe Drive; Weston Court.
- Riverside Avenue:** 54th Avenue from Adams Street to Colorado Boulevard.
- Robbins Street:** Beeler Street.
- Robert Avenue:** South Irving Street south of West Mexico Avenue; Hanover Street between 13th and Colfax avenues.
- Rochester Street:** West 11th Avenue east of Federal Boulevard.
- Rockmont Drive:** Ran parallel to the south side of the Valley Highway, from 19th and Platte streets to about the equivalent of West 38th Avenue. Rockmont Envelopes was on this street which was designated the continuation of Platte Street in 1991.
- Rogers Street:** Franklin Street north of 26th Avenue; South Dahlia Street.
- Rollandet Street:** 42nd Avenue east of Oneida Street.
- Roosevelt Avenue or Street:** Dudley Street.
- Root Street:** Albion Street.
- Rose Avenue:** Kearney Street between 48th and 52nd avenues.
- Rose Avenue or Street:** Osceola Street.
- Rose Court:** 16th Avenue from Colorado Boulevard to Dahlia Street.
- Rose Hill Drive:** 62nd Avenue between Holly and Quebec streets.
- Rose Street:** Wolff Street from West Byron Place to West 32nd Avenue; Monroe Street between 1st and 6th avenues.
- Rosedale Avenue:** West Dakota Avenue west of South Stuart Street.
- Rosekrans Avenue:** Kearney Street north of Colfax Avenue—misspelled **Rosecrans Avenue**.
- Roslyn or Rosslyn Avenue:** Syracuse Street.
- Ross Court:** A road vacated in 1941, from about the 2850 block of Speer Boulevard to West Douglas Place; a misspelling of Rose Court, i.e., 16th Avenue.
- Rossiter Avenue:** Eudora Street north of Montview Boulevard.
- Rothker Street:** Lowell Boulevard between West 6th and West 10th avenues—sometimes spelled **Rothacker Street**.
- Rouff Street:** South Gaylord Street between Alameda and Kentucky avenues.
- Rowland Avenue:** Davies Avenue east of South Lincoln Street.
- Roxbury or Rox Burgh or Roxburgh Court or Road:** Grove Street from Speer Boulevard to West 34th Avenue.
- Roy Court:** Eliot Street from Speer Boulevard to West Douglas Place—vacated in 1908.
- Royal Avenue:** A vacated street, the 1175 north block, between Newport and Oneida streets—also known as **Ruby Place**; South Adams Street between Mississippi and Jewell avenues.
- Ruby Avenue or Place:** West 24th Avenue from Bryant Street to Federal Boulevard.
- Ruby Court:** Jay Street between West 32nd and West 38th avenues.
- Ruby Place:** Oneida Place; the vacated 1175 north block between Newport and Oneida streets.
- Rudolph Street:** A no longer existing road, from about the 7800 block of 12th Avenue southeast to Myers Circle.
- Russell Street:** Dahlia Street north of the UP tracks; Grove Street between West 13th and West Colfax avenues.
- Ruxton Street:** Clinton Street south of Colfax Avenue.
- S Street:** 27th Street.
- Sabille Street:** A misspelling of Saville Street, i.e., South University Boulevard.
- Sadie Street:** West 9th Avenue from the Platte River to Federal Boulevard.
- Saguache Avenue:** West 18th Avenue from the Platte River to Lowell Boulevard.
- St. Ann Street:** Milwaukee Street between 6th and Colfax avenues.
- St. Charles Street:** Detroit Street south of Colfax Avenue; 43rd Street.
- St. Francis Street:** St. Paul Street between 6th and Colfax avenues.
- St. George Street:** Fillmore Street between 6th and Colfax avenues.
- St. James Street:** Garfield Street south of 6th Avenue; Milwaukee Street between 6th and Colfax avenues.
- St. John Avenue:** West 40th Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards—also designated **St. John's Avenue**.
- St. Joseph Street:** 38th Street.
- St. Louis Street:** 10th Street; Lipan Street south of West Colfax Avenue—also known as **South St. Louis Street**; the designation of West Ellsworth Avenue west of Sheridan Boulevard—vacated.
- St. Mary's Street:** 39th Street.
- St. Vincent Street:** Brighton Boulevard from the Broadway Viaduct to 44th Street.
- St. Vincent's Street:** West 41st Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards.
- St. Vrain Street:** West 74th Avenue in Westminster.
- Salem Street:** Clinton Street north of Colfax Avenue; Havana Street.
- Salida Avenue:** Yosemite Street south of Colfax Avenue.
- San Francisco Avenue or Street:** Vallejo Street between West 3rd and West 8th avenues.
- San Luis Street:** 10th Street; Lipan Street south of West Colfax Avenue—also known as **South San Luis Street**.
- Sand Street:** Ringsby Court.
- Sanderlin Avenue:** Montview Boulevard between Dahlia and Yosemite streets—sometimes spelled **Sanderlain Avenue**.
- Sandusky Street:** Decatur Street between West 4th and West 6th avenues.
- Sandy Circle:** Colorado Circle.

**Sanguinette Street:** 51st Avenue between Washington and Downing streets—vacated between Emerson and Downing streets.

**Santa Fe Avenue, Street, or Trail:** Santa Fe Drive.

**Santa Fe Drive:** Changed to Jason Street in North Denver by Ordinance 223 of 1950. South Jason Street south of West Alameda Avenue was South Santa Fe Drive between 1912 and 1929.

**Santa Fe Lane:** South Windermere Street in Englewood.

**Santa Fe Street:** South Bemis Street.

**Saratoga Avenue:** Olive Street.

**Saratoga Street:** Ash Street; Eliot Street.

**Savannah Street:** Yates Street between West 32nd and West 37th avenues.

**Saville Street:** South University Boulevard between Alameda and Kentucky avenues.

**Schermerhorn Place:** 22nd Avenue.

**Scherrer Avenue:** West 12th Avenue west of Federal Boulevard.

**Schiller Street:** Lowell Boulevard; Newton Street north of West 48th Avenue.

**Schinner Avenue:** Downing Street between 18th and 35th avenues.

**School Street:** 44th Avenue in Globeville.

**Schuller Route:** Kendall Street in Wheat Ridge.

**Schuyler Avenue:** 19th Avenue east of Syracuse Street—sometimes designated **Schuyler Briar**.

**Scott Avenue:** West Scott Place.

**Scott Avenue or Street:** West 35th Avenue between Kalamath and Tennyson streets.

**Scott Street:** South Umatilla Street north of West Dartmouth Avenue; South Tejon Street south of West Floyd Avenue.

**Seiglers Avenue:** West 31st Avenue between Fox and Galapago streets.

**Semple Street:** Yukon Street in Arvada.

**Seward Avenue or Street:** Albion Street north of the UP tracks.

**Shadow Lane:** Newcombe Street north of West Colfax Avenue.

**Sharlor Drive (east and west):** West Lake Avenue.

**Sharlor Drive (north and south):** South Lakeview Street.

**Shaw Street:** Lowell Boulevard between West 44th and West 46th avenues.

**Shea Avenue:** West 47th Avenue from Zuni Street to Federal Boulevard.

**Sheldon Street:** Mississippi Avenue between South Kearney and South Monaco streets.

**Shepard Street:** Elm Street from Colfax Avenue to Montview Boulevard—sometimes spelled **Shepperd Street**.



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*Many side streets run within the grid. West Warner Place is one such minor road, between Bannock and Fox streets, just south of West 48th Avenue. Shown is the road at Bannock Street.*

**Sheridan Avenue:** Hampden Avenue; West Evans Avenue west of South Pecos Street; South Niagara Street.

**Sheridan Avenue or Boulevard:** Wadsworth Boulevard north of West Colfax Avenue.

**Sheridan Avenue or Street:** 16th Avenue east of Broadway.

**Sheridan Street:** Mississippi Avenue between South Kearney and South Monaco streets; Clermont Street between 26th and 32nd avenues.

**Sherman Avenue:** Sherman Street; West Girard Avenue; South Prescott Street.

**Sherman Street:** West 41st Avenue between Tennyson and Vrain streets; Zenobia Street from West Byron Place to West 26th Avenue; Krameria Street between 54th and 56th avenues.

**Sherwood Street:** Elm Street between Colfax and 17th avenues.

**Sheynin Avenue:** South Emerson Street south of Alameda Avenue.

**Shiff Street:** Newton Street.

**Shoop Street:** Josephine Street between 6th and 8th avenues—sometimes spelled **Shoup Street**.

**Short Larimer Street:** Lafayette Street from 38th Avenue to Franklin Street.

**Short Street:** South Elati Street; South Perry Street between West Virginia and West Exposition avenues.

**Short Yates Street:** A road vacated in 1976 that ran northwest from 46th Avenue and Yates Street to the 4700 block of Sheridan Boulevard.

**Shumate Street:** Fillmore Street between 1st and 6th avenues.

**Sierra Nevada Street:** Vrain Street between West 32nd and West 37th avenues—occasionally designated **Sierra Street**.

**Sigel Avenue:** West Hamilton Place.

**Sigler Street:** West 31st Avenue between Fox and Galapago streets.

**Silverton Avenue:** Xanthia Street.

**Simpson Street:** Asbury Avenue from South Colorado Boulevard to South Dahlia Street.

**Simms Street:** Lincoln Street north of 50th Avenue.

**Skerritt Avenue:** South Delaware Street in Englewood.

**Skiff Street:** Newton Street between West 6th and West 10th avenues—misspelled **Shiff Street**.

**Skinner Street:** Downing Street.

**Sloan Avenue:** Sheridan Boulevard between West Colfax and West 20th avenues.

**Sloane Street:** Vrain Street between West 29th and West 32nd avenues.

**Smilax Avenue:** Forest Street between 48th and 52nd avenues.

**Smiley Street:** Osceola Street south of West Colfax Avenue.

## DENVER STREETS

**Smith Avenue:** 48th Avenue near the Platte River.

**Smith Farm Road:** Powhaton Road.

**Smith Road:** Garrison Street south of West Colfax Avenue.

**Smith Street:** West 5th Avenue near the Platte River.

**Snyder Street:** 24th Avenue between Monaco and Syracuse streets.

**Somands Street:** Kalamath Street in North Denver.

**Sonora Avenue:** West 38th Avenue east of Pecos Street.

**Sopris Place or Street:** South Albion Street between Florida and Jewell avenues.

**South 1st Street:** Zuni Street.

**South 2nd Street:** Wyandot Street.

**South 3rd Street:** Umatilla Street.

**South 4th Street:** Shoshone Street.

**South 5th Street:** Raritan or Cottonwood Street. **South 5th Street South:** South Tejon Street in Valverde; South Pecos Street in Breenlow Park.

**South 6th Street:** Pecos Street south of West Colfax Avenue; Osage Street from West 6th Avenue to the Platte River. **South 6th Street South:** South Raritan Street in Valverde; South Osage Street in Breenlow Park.

**South 7th Street:** Osage Street south of West Colfax Avenue. **South 7th Street South:** South Pecos Street in Valverde; South Osage Street north of West Florida Avenue; South Navajo Street in Breenlow Park.

**South 8th Street:** Navajo Street. **South 8th Street South:** South Mariposa Street in Breenlow Park.

**South 9th Street:** Mariposa Street. **South 9th Street South:** South Lipan Street in Breenlow Park.

**South 10th Street:** Lipan Street. **South 10th Street South:** South Lipan Street from the Platte River to West Florida Avenue; South Kalamath Street in Breenlow Park.

**South 11th Street:** Kalamath Street. **South 11th Street South:** South Jason Street south of the Platte River.

**South 12th Street:** Fox Street.

**South 13th Street:** Delaware Street.

**South 14th Street:** Bannock Street.

**South 15th Street:** Acoma Street.

**South Arapahoe Street:** Navajo Street.

**South Avenue:** 44th Avenue from Broadway to Washington Street.

**South B Street:** Galapago Street.

**South C Street:** Fox Street.

**South Clark Street:** South Inca Street from the Platte River to West Mississippi Avenue and between West Bayaud and West Ellsworth avenues; South Huron Street in Breenlow Park.

**South Colfax Avenue:** 1st Avenue between Yosemite and Dayton streets—vacated.

**South D Street:** Delaware Street.

**South Denver Street:** West Bayaud Avenue.

**South E Street:** Bannock Street.

**South F Street:** Acoma Street.

**South Ferry Street:** Kalamath Street.

**South Golden Avenue or Road:** West Colfax Avenue; Wide Acres Road.

**South Graves Avenue:** Marshall Street south of West 56th Avenue.

**South Park Avenue:** West Park Place.

**South St. Louis Street:** Lipan Street south of West Colfax Avenue—also known as **South San Luis Street**.

**South Street:** 8th Avenue east of the alley of Grant-Logan streets.

**South Tremont Street:** Elati Street.

**South Water Street:** Galapago Street.

**Southerland Street:** Bannock Street south of Cherry Creek—misspelled **Sutherland Street**.

**Southern Hills Drive:** A vacated road equivalent to Wellshire Drive between Yale and Bates avenues.

**Southmoor Drive:** A no longer existing street that ran approximately a block east of South University Boulevard, between Bates Avenue and Wellshire Drive.

**Southridge Parkway:** A no longer existing street that ran through what is today the University Hills Shopping Center from South Colorado Boulevard to South Dahlia Street. Parts of it are Yale Avenue east of South Colorado Boulevard.

**Sprague Avenue:** South Josephine Street between Mississippi and Florida avenues.

**Sprague Street:** Acoma Street between West 48th and West 52nd avenues.

**Spring Street:** Lowell Boulevard between West 20th and West 26th avenues; 42nd Street.

**Spruce Avenue:** Lowell Boulevard between West 26th and West 44th avenues.

**Spruce Street:** Cook Street between 26th and 29th avenues; Garfield Street near 29th Avenue; South Canosa Court; Olive Street.

**Stallcup Street:** Claude Court.

**Stanborn Avenue:** Roslyn Street between 16th and 17th avenues.

**Stanton Avenue:** West 29th Avenue east of the Platte River.

**Star Avenue:** Locust Street between 32nd and 38th avenues.

**Starr Street:** Franklin Street north of 46th Avenue.

**State Street:** Canosa Court; Cody Street.

**Staton Avenue:** West 3rd Avenue east of Federal Boulevard.

**Stedman Street:** Akron Street north of Colfax Avenue—also spelled **Steadman Street**.

**Steele Avenue:** West Hamilton Place.

**Stella Street:** Yates Street between West 26th and West 32nd avenues.

**Sterling Avenue or Street:** Perry Street north of West 38th Avenue.

**Steward Street:** Yale Avenue from South Broadway to South Pearl Street; South Locust Street between Exposition and Mississippi avenues.

**Stewart Street:** Alcott Street between West 13th and West 17th avenues—vacated.

**Stirling Avenue:** Rosemary Street.

**Stirling Avenue or Street:** A variant spelling of Sterling Avenue or Street, i.e., Perry Street.

**Stocke Avenue:** Saulsbury Street in Arvada.

**Stratford Avenue:** Easter Avenue from South Broadway to South Washington Street.

**Stratford Place:** Fremont Avenue east of South Pennsylvania Street.

**Strauss Avenue:** Princeton Avenue.

**Strawberry Lane:** Greenwood Lane.

**Suez Drive:** South Marion Way.

**Sullivan Road:** South Syracuse Way.



**Summit Avenue:** Green Court in Westminster.  
**Summit Street:** West 30th Avenue; South Albion Street between Arizona and Arkansas avenues.  
**Sumner Avenue:** South Quebec Street between Mansfield and Quincy avenues.  
**Sumner Street:** 2nd Avenue.  
**Sunley Street:** Osceola Street in Villa Park.  
**Sunny Lane:** Jellison Street south of West 44th Avenue.  
**Sunnyside Lane:** Robb Street north of West 44th Avenue.  
**Sunset Avenue:** Hoyt Street between West 20th and West 26th avenues; West Caley Place in Littleton.  
**Sunset Park Lane:** Pierson Street.  
**Superior Avenue or Street:** Forest Street south of Colfax Avenue.  
**Superior Street:** South Fox Street south of West Ellsworth Avenue.  
**Susie Place:** West Barberry Place west of the Platte River.  
**Susquehanna Street:** Zenobia Street between West 32nd and West 37th avenues.  
**Sutherland Street:** Bannock Street.  
**Swansea Avenue:** York Street in Swansea.  
**Sweet William Avenue:** Monaco Street between 48th and 52nd avenues.  
**Sylvia Avenue:** West Cornell Avenue.  
**Symes Street:** West Kenyon Avenue west of South Sheridan Boulevard.  
**Symmes Street:** Meade Street between West 6th and West 10th avenues—also spelled **Symms Street**.  
**T Street:** 28th Street.  
**Tabor Avenue:** West Cedar Avenue in Barnum; West Girard Avenue.  
**Taggart Street:** King Street between West Colfax and West 13th avenues.  
**Taisey Street:** Yosemite Street.  
**Tanzin Street:** South Cook Street between Iliff and Yale avenues.  
**Tay Street:** West 41st Avenue between Perry and Tennyson streets.  
**Taylor Avenue:** West 46th Avenue between Federal and Lowell boulevards.



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*Cemeteries sometimes have their own street nomenclature. The Catholic Mount Olivet Cemetery has named its roads for religious figures and biblical events. Once such street is named for Bishop Joseph Machebeuf, the founder of the Colorado diocese whose farm was transformed into the cemetery.*

**Taylor Street:** Dale Court between West Colfax and West 17th avenues—vacated; Kendall Street in Edgewater; South Birch Street north of Florida Avenue.  
**Tejon Avenue:** Harlan Street between West 1st and West Alameda avenues.  
**Tennessee Avenue or Street:** Fairfax Street south of Colfax Avenue.  
**Terry Avenue:** Broadway north of 52nd Avenue.

**Texas Street:** 66th Place west of Quebec Street.  
**Thalia Street:** South Jackson Street south of Hampden Avenue—vacated.  
**Tharp Place:** West 25th Avenue from Vrain Street to Winona Court.  
**Thomas Avenue:** Fillmore Street between 50th and 52nd avenues.  
**Thomas Street:** Powers Avenue.  
**Thompson Street:** Thompson Court.  
**Thrice Place:** A nonexistent road that was to have cut through as the 350 north block from Colorado Boulevard to Holly Street where the streets jog.  
**Thurman Street:** Xınca Court.  
**Timerman Avenue:** Holly Street between 32nd and 38th avenues.  
**Tippecanoe Street:** South York Street between Alameda and Kentucky avenues.  
**Titus Street:** Quivas Street north of West 6th Avenue; West 13th Avenue between Quivas and Zuni streets.  
**Todd Street:** West 1st Avenue.  
**Toledo Place:** West Walsh Place.  
**Tollgate Parkway:** Sable Boulevard.  
**Tonge Street:** Wabash Street.  
**Topaz Avenue:** West 24th Avenue west of Federal Boulevard.  
**Topaz Street:** Clinton Street.  
**Topeka Court:** South Windermere Street in Englewood.  
**Tory Street:** Terry Street.  
**Tows Street:** 28th Avenue east of Downing Street.  
**Toy Street:** South Holly Street.  
**Tracy Street:** Bryant Street between West Colfax and West 17th avenues.  
**Tremont Street:** Tremont Place; West 49th Avenue west of Broadway.  
**Trenton Avenue:** South Chase Street between West Alameda and West Exposition avenues.  
**Trinity Avenue:** Geddes Avenue from South Broadway to South Washington Street.  
**Trout Street:** Eagle Street from Colfax Avenue to Montview Boulevard.  
**Truman Street:** South Elati Street.

**Truxton Street:** Cook Street south of 6th Avenue—misspelled **Truxtum Street**.

**Tucker Road:** West 82nd Avenue in Arvada.

**Tulane Avenue:** Lehigh Avenue.

**Tulip Street:** Torrey Street.

**Turner Street:** Colorado Boulevard north of the UP tracks; 22nd Avenue.

**Tweed Street:** West 39th Avenue between Perry and Tennyson streets.

**Tyler Street:** Ingalls Street in Edgewater.

**Tyndall Street:** Knox Court—sometimes spelled **Tyndal Street**.

**Tynon Place:** 48th Avenue.

**U Street:** 29th Street.

**Uintah Avenue:** Fenton Street in Berkeley Annex.

**Ulster Street (south):** Greenwood Plaza Boulevard.

**Union Pacific Highway:** Smith Road.

**Union Place:** Alley dividing Galapago and Inca streets between 11th and 12th avenues—vacated.

**University Avenue:** Irving Street in Westminster; University Boulevard; South Monaco Street south of Mansfield Avenue.

**University Street:** South Ivy Street south of Iowa Avenue.

**Unsworth Street:** Verbena Street.

**Unter den Linden:** West Irvington Place west of Lipan Street; a no longer extant section of Franklin Street in Cheesman Park.

**Upsala Street:** Vrain Street near West 8th Avenue.

**Utah Street:** West Center Avenue.

**Ute Avenue:** Dayton Street.

**V Street:** 30th Street.

**Vale Street:** Andes Street.

**Valentine Avenue:** Kearney Street between 32nd and 38th avenues.

**Vallejo or Vallejos Street:** Ogden Street from 54th Avenue to Horton Court.

**Valley Avenue or Street:** West 37th Avenue west of Federal Boulevard.

**Valley Avenue or Way:** West 55th Avenue in Arvada.

**Valley East Street:** West 56th Avenue from Sheridan Boulevard to Marshall Street.



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*Aurora sometimes places its logo on street signs. The symbol features the sun, noting that Aurora is named for the goddess of dawn in Roman mythology.*

**Valley Way:** Vance Street in Arvada.

**Valore Street:** West Alamo Avenue.

**Valverde Avenue or Street:** West Ellsworth Avenue.

**Van Buren Street:** West 37th Avenue west of Tennyson Street; Fenton Street in Edgewater.

**Van Camp Street:** Umatilla Street north of West 41st Avenue.

**Van Law Street:** South Holly Street south of Florida Avenue.

**Vanarsdale Street:** Newton Street south of West Colfax Avenue.

**Vanda Rae Street:** South Crocker Street.

**Vanderbilt Avenue:** Layton Avenue.

**Vasquez Street:** 4th Avenue.

**Vendor Avenue or Street:** Dartmouth Avenue.

**Venice Street:** Emerson Street from Colfax Avenue to Cherry Creek; initially Ogden Street south of Cherry Creek—later the designation of South Emerson Street; Dillon Street.

**Vermont Avenue or Street:** Clermont Street from Colfax Avenue to Cherry Creek; Jersey Street.

**Vermont Street:** West 50th Avenue; West Aberdeen Avenue; Winona Court north of West 88th Avenue.

**Vernon Avenue:** Oxford Avenue east of South Colorado Boulevard.

**Veta Avenue:** Benton Street in Berkeley Annex.

**VFW Road:** Balsam Street near West 10th Avenue.

**Viaduct Street:** Water Street between 14th and 15th streets—vacated.

**Victoria Avenue:** Trenton Street.

**Viewpoint Street:** Van Gordon Street.

**Vincent Street:** Wyandot Street in North Denver; Locust Street south of 6th Avenue.

**Vine Court:** Batavia Place from Colorado Boulevard to Dahlia Street.

**Vine Street:** Quivas Street in North Denver; Neil's Place; Shoshone Street from West 12th Avenue to Cottonwood Street; Jackson Street north of 26th Avenue.

**Vinson Avenue:** South Alcott Street south of West Florida Avenue.

**Vinta Street:** Marion Street between 54th and 56th avenues.

**Vintage Street:** Shoshone Street south of West 14th Avenue.

**Viola Street:** Bellaire Street from Montview Boulevard to 26th Avenue.

**Violet Avenue:** Dahlia Street between 48th and 52nd avenues.

**Virginia Avenue:** Osceola Street south of West 10th Avenue.

**Virginia Street:** Bryant Street between West 2nd and West 7th avenues; West 77th Avenue in Westminster.

**Vista Street:** West Eastman Avenue.

**Von Richthofen Street:** 44th Avenue east of Monaco Street.

**W Street:** 31st Street.

**Wabash Avenue:** Uno Court from West Wells Place to West 13th Avenue; Jason Street in Westminster.

**Wabash Street:** Yukon Street.

**Wadsworth Avenue:** Wadsworth Boulevard.

**Wagner Road:** Iris Street.

**Waldermere Avenue:** Newton Street in Barnum.

**Waldo Street:** South Leyden Street between Exposition and Mississippi avenues.

**Walker Avenue:** West 46th Avenue from Lowell Boulevard to Tennyson Street.

**Walker Street:** Stuart Street between West 6th and West 10th avenues.

**Wall Street:** Vallejo Street north of West 44th Avenue.

**Wallace Avenue:** South Poplar Street.

**Walnut Avenue:** Wolff Street.

**Walnut Avenue or Street:** Irving Street between West 20th and West 26th and West Kentucky and West Florida avenues.

**Walnut Street:** Steele Street north of 26th Avenue; 29th Avenue; Poplar Street south of Montclair; Pecos Street south of West Colfax Avenue—vacated; South Alcott Street; West 73rd Avenue in Westminster.

**Walter Court:** Approximately the equivalent of Wazee Street between 20th and 21st streets—vacated.

**Walrex Street:** Yank Street.

**Waltham Street:** Chester Street.

**Wanless Street:** West 33rd Avenue east of Federal Boulevard.

**Wapoola Street:** Court Place.

**Ward Avenue:** West Mexico Avenue west of South Pecos Street; a vacated street running along the east side of the Burlington Railroad from the 4750 block of Lafayette Street to the 4800 block of Franklin Street.

**Ware Avenue:** Grape Street between 33rd and 38th avenues.

**Warren Avenue:** South Newport Street.

**Warren Avenue or Street:** Iliff Avenue east of South Colorado Boulevard and in Breenlow Park; Dayton Street.

**Warwick Avenue:** Milwaukee Street between 50th and 52nd avenues.

**Washburn Avenue:** Layton Avenue.

**Washington Avenue:** West 13th Avenue west of Federal Boulevard; West 86th Avenue in Westminster.

**Washington Place:** Knox Court in Villa Park.

**Washington Street:** 7th Street; Osage Street south of West Colfax Avenue—also known as South Washington Street; Steele Street between 6th and Colfax avenues; Mexico Avenue east of South University Boulevard; Sheridan Boulevard in Edgewater.

**Wasoola Street:** Court Place.

**Water Street:** Utica Street in Berkeley; West 23rd Avenue east of Zuni Street; West 12th Avenue between Bryant and Decatur streets.

**Waterman Avenue:** Monaco Street.

**Watertown Avenue:** Kearney Street between 28th and 32nd avenues.

**Watervliet Street:** Washington Street in Globeville.

**Watkins Place:** A street vacated in 1938, approximately the 1120 north block, between Quebec and Quince streets.

**Waunita Avenue:** West 65th Avenue.

**Waverly Street:** Tremont Place northeast of 20th Avenue—sometimes spelled **Waverlee Street**.

**Wayne Street:** West 34th Avenue between Cherokee and Delaware streets—vacated in 1947.

**Webb Avenue:** Eudora Street north of 46th Avenue—vacated.

**Weber Lane:** Eldridge Street in Arvada.

**Webster Avenue:** West Ellsworth Avenue from the Platte River to Federal Boulevard.

**Webster Street:** Bayaud Avenue.

**Weir Avenue:** West 7th Avenue from the Platte River to Federal Boulevard; Yuma Street south of West 8th Avenue.

**Wellesley Street:** Green Court in Berkeley.

**Wellington Street:** Meade Street north of West 48th Avenue.

**Wells or Welles Avenue:** Julian Street in Villa Park.

**Wells Place:** South Cherry Way west of South Dahlia Street; Plum Place east of South Dahlia Street.

**Wellshire Boulevard or Drive:** A no longer existing crescent-shaped road that ran from the 2700 block of South University Boulevard to the equivalent of South Clayton Street to South Clayton Boulevard to the 3500 block of South University Boulevard.

**Wendell Avenue:** Jefferson Avenue.

**Wesley Street:** West 6th Avenue from the equivalent of Tejon Street to the Platte River.

**West 1st Street:** Yukon Street in Arvada.

**West 2nd Street:** Yarrow Street in Arvada.

**West 3rd Street:** Zephyr Street in Arvada.

**West 4th Street:** Allison Street in Arvada.

**West 5th Street:** Ammons Street in Arvada.

**West 6th Street:** Balsam Street in Arvada.

**West 8th Street:** Carr Street in Arvada.

**West 14th Avenue:** West Howard Place.

**West Cherry Creek Road:** South Syracuse Way; Jordan Road.

**West End Avenue or Boulevard:** Magnolia Street in Montclair; Poplar Street north of Montclair.

**West Road:** Independence Street in Arvada.

**West Street:** South Downing Street south of Jewell Avenue.

**Western Avenue or Street:** South Patton Court south of Morrison Road; a misspelling of Weston Avenue, i.e., 46th Avenue.

**Westinghouse Avenue:** South Elizabeth Street between Mississippi and Florida avenues.

**Westminster Avenue or Street:** West 84th Avenue in Westminster.

**Westmoor Avenue or Boulevard:** Jellison Street.

**Weston Avenue:** 46th Avenue east of Lafayette Street.

**Wewatta Street:** Brighton Boulevard from the Broadway Viaduct to I-70.

**White Street:** A vacated street, the 1150 north block, from the Platte River to Bryant Street.

**Whitney Street:** South Galapago Street between West Exposition and West Yale avenues; South Franklin Street south of Virginia Avenue.

**Whitsitt Street:** South Franklin Street between Alameda and Virginia avenues.

**Whittier Avenue:** 30th Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard.

**Wier Avenue:** A variant spelling of Weir Avenue, i.e., West 7th Avenue.

**Wight Avenue:** Estes Street.

**Wight Street:** Wright Street.

**Wightman Street:** Vrain Street from West Byron Place to West 26th Avenue.

**Wilbur Avenue:** Ivanhoe Street between 32nd and 38th avenues.

**Wilcox Street:** Madison Street between 29th and 38th avenues.

**Wilde Avenue:** Broadway north of 55th Avenue.  
**Wylie Avenue, Place, or Street:** West Irvington Place from the Platte River to Federal Boulevard.  
**Willard Street:** Olive Street north of 38th Avenue.  
**Willemsen Street:** Williams Street between 20th and 26th avenues.  
**William Street:** Lowell Boulevard between West Colfax and West 20th avenues.  
**Williams Avenue:** Ivy Street between 32nd and 38th avenues.  
**Williams Street:** Chestnut Place; Zephyr Street in Arvada; West Powers Place in Littleton.  
**Willoughby Street:** Meade Street north of West 48th Avenue.  
**Willow Avenue or Street:** West 13th Avenue from the Platte River to Decatur Street; Julian Street between West 20th and West 26th avenues; Newton Street between West 19th and West 26th avenues.  
**Willow Court (south):** South Wisteria Court.  
**Willow Lane:** Inca Street from the 1000 block to West Colfax Avenue; Elgin Place.  
**Willow Street:** South Prince Street south of West Lake Avenue.  
**Wilson Avenue:** South Birch Street between Jewell and Yale avenues.  
**Windham Street:** Clarkson Street between 51st and 52nd avenues.  
**Windsor Street:** Jackson Street south of 6th Avenue.  
**Winfield Avenue or Street:** Meade Street sporadically between West Colfax and West 29th avenues.

**Winne Street:** Kalamath Street between West 29th Avenue and the Platte River—vacated—misspelled **Winnie Street**.  
**Wisconsin Avenue or Street:** Dahlia Street south of Colfax Avenue.  
**Witter Street:** Quivas Street between West 32nd and West 48th avenues; 35th Street.  
**Wolcott Avenue:** West 9th Avenue west of Linley Court.  
**Wolfe Avenue:** Grove Street in Villa Park.  
**Wolff Street:** Newton Street in North Denver.  
**Woodbury Court:** A street vacated in 1957, the 2450 west block, from West Byron Place to West 26th Avenue. Roger Woodbury, a major figure in 19th-century Denver, built his huge mansion (since demolished) at approximately West 26th Avenue and this road. The Diamond Hill office complex is at the site of the old Woodbury house.  
**Woodie Street:** Race Street in Elyria.  
**Woodward Avenue:** 7th Avenue east of Corona Street.  
**Wooton Street:** 18th Street in Highland.  
**Worth Street:** West Moncrieff Place between Cherokee and Fox streets—vacated in 1947.  
**Wright Street:** Hanover Street; Vassar Avenue east of Colorado Boulevard; Monroe Street between 39th and 40th avenues.  
**Wrightman Street:** A misspelling of Wightman Street, i.e., Vrain Street.  
**Wyatt Street:** South Williams Street between Alameda and Kentucky avenues.

**Wyckoff Street:** Cherokee Street.  
**Wylie Avenue, Place, or Street:** West Irvington Place from the Platte River to Federal Boulevard—also spelled **Wylie Avenue, Place, or Street**.  
**Wyoming Avenue:** West 43rd Avenue west of Broadway.  
**Wyoming Avenue or Street:** West 72nd Avenue east of Pierce Street.  
**X Street:** 32nd Street.  
**Xerxes Street:** Yukon Street.  
**Y Street:** 33rd Street.  
**Yale Avenue:** Amherst Avenue east of the University Hills Shopping Center.  
**Yale Avenue or Street:** West 83rd Avenue in Westminster.  
**Yendor Avenue or Street:** Dartmouth Avenue—sometimes spelled **Yendoor Avenue or Street**.  
**York Street:** University Boulevard between 1st and 6th avenues.  
**Young Street:** Oneida Street north of 38th Avenue.  
**Youssef Street:** Youngfield Street; Dudley Street near West 38th Avenue.  
**Yule Street:** Yank Street.  
**Z Street:** 34th Street.  
**Zall Street:** Urban Street.  
**Zebulon Street:** Zeta Street.  
**Zenda Avenue:** Chenango Avenue.  
**Zinnia Avenue:** 54th Avenue west of Quebec Street.



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About the same time Trimble put together her list, the library, probably as a Civil Works Administration project directed by City Clerk Ben Draper, compiled a two-volume list of the dates of street name changes with the

assistance of the city engineer's office, "Denver Changes of Streets, 1873-1927." The Denver Water Department has its own list of old street names and their current equivalents along with numerous materials relating to the evolution of the city. It does not have any specific records relating to Maloney or the Denver Union Water Company's role in the changing of street names. Old maps at the CHS and DPL contain lists of the changes of street names. City directories frequently included special sections on annual changes of street names.

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The George Cranmer scrapbooks at DPL contain a rich collection of articles about the city's streets, street signs, and the building of the Valley Highway. *Straight Creek Journal* contained some excellent articles in the 1970s about highway plans and the problems with I-470. I had many conversations with Denver City Engineer Jack Bruce in the mid-1980s about the city's road system. Kenton Forrest lent his immense expertise on streetcars, railroads, bridges, and schools and how they have related to the streets of the metropolis. I dealt with the history of the 16th Street Mall in "16th Street Mall Celebrates its Second Anniversary," *City Edition*, October 3, 1984. The information on Scottish Village draws heavily from the nomination of the area to the National Register of Historic Places.

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My methodology consisted of going through numerous old maps of Denver at the Stephen Hart Library of CHS and the Western History Department of DPL in addition to consulting the street listings in city directories and telephone books. In the process, I sought to locate yesterday's roads on contemporary maps, so correlating the street names. This was complemented by extensively studying the plat maps of neighborhoods and old official maps of the city filed in surveyor's section of the city engineer's office. The surveyor's office also includes the appropriate city ordinances relating to the change of street names.

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