

**Documentation confirming Jayne G. Crommarty held position of postmaster in
Atlas from October 1, 1897 to May 27, 1904.**

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Ms. Irma Adams
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Dear Ms. Adams,

This is in response to your telephone request of July 3, 1995 requesting information on Jayne G. Crommarty, postmaster in Alachua County, FL.

A search of the site location reports among the Records of the U.S. Postal Service (Record Group 28) has located a report relating to Jayne G. Crommarty as postmaster of Atlas post office in Alachua County, FL dated September 7, 1897. The site location reports are the completed applications submitted by postmasters for the establishment of a post office. They are arranged alphabetically by State, and, thereunder, alphabetically by county and post office. Copy of the report cited above is enclosed.

The records of the Post Office Department show that the post office at Atlas, Alachua County was established on October 1, 1897 with Jayne G. Crommarty as its first postmaster. He served until May 27, 1904 when Israel F. Williams became postmaster there. We can provide you with paper copies of the pages in the registers of appointments of postmasters showing the dates of establishment and the name of Jayne G. Crommarty as first postmaster at Atlas for \$6.00, our minimum mail order fee. You may use the enclosed form to place your order.

We hope this information is of assistance to you. If we can be of further help to you, please do not hesitate to write or call (202)501-5395.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

ATLAS

Atlas is near and just north of the Monteocho-Louise communities. The postmasters were:

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| Jayne G. Cromarty | 10-11-1897 | to | 5-27-1904 |
| Israel F. Williams | 5-27-1904 | | 8-6-1904 |
| Irene Gainey | 8-6-1904 | Discontinuance | 1914 |

The date of discontinuance of the postoffice at Atlas was August 6, 1904.

Documentation mentioning a Negro community named Cromarty.

MONTEOCHA

Monteocho at the present is only a farming community. A Negro settlement by the name of Atlas on Trout Pond, and the Cromarty Negro community is north and west of the old Monteocho Church and school which until recent years was maintained as a voting place.

Monteocho can be reached by going toward Waldo on Highway 24 for five and a half miles, then north on State Road No. 225 for six and a half miles to the old church place. The church house was torn down about 1956. A dirt road leads north to the aforementioned Atlas and Cromarty settlements.

Monteocho can be reached also by going north on 441 to the LaCrosse Road #223, northeast on 223 to State Road 329 which one follows to State Road 340, thence east for three miles to church location.

* These two excerpts were taken from the [History of Alachua County Florida, 1824-1969](#) by Jess G. Davis

Atlas AME Church Today

This is the property where the original church was built

