

# Fort Larned National Historic Site



# Moving the Mail On the Santa Fe Trail

Information technology was very different during the Civil War. In some cases, the telegraph was used to send important messages quickly, but the Army mostly used mail wagons like this one to carry the letters and news from coast to coast. Mail wagons on the Santa Fe Trail were protected by soldiers from Fort Larned.

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