

McEWEN & SLOAN SELL

EVERY THING CONNECTED WITH STAGE AND LIVERY BUSINESS.

Including Sumpter Real Estate—T. G. Harrison and W. H. Cade, of San Francisco, the Purchasers—New Company Organized—Tom McEwen Remains With the Concern—Plans for the Future.

T. G. Harrison and W. H. Cade, of San Francisco, mention of whose arrival here was made in these columns some weeks since, have bought from McEwen & Sloan their livery and stage business and all of its accessories, including the property of the Sumpter Livery stable, the Sumpter and Eastern Oregon Transportation company, the blacksmith and wagon shop and harness shop. The deal also includes the real estate of the various concerns, three lots on Center street and three on Auburn, where the barns, shops, sheds and other buildings are located.

A new company will be incorporated, under the name of the Sumpter Transportation company, to handle all branches of the old business, with Messrs. Harrison, Cade and N. C. Richards as incorporators.

The new owners have already taken possession and will at once begin to inaugurate changes and improvements, such as experience and ample capital suggest and permit. This whole section of country, to the north, south and west, will be covered by freight and passenger lines. Arrangements will be made with the railroads to have coupons attached to all through tickets, entitling passengers to stage transportation to any point desired.

One important change to be made here in Sumpter immediately will be to abandon the Center street building as a barn, renovate and remodel the immense structure and convert it into a two-story business block, with large store rooms on the ground and offices on the second floor. Another site, not so centrally located, will be secured on which a new barn will be built. For the present, until this new building can be constructed, the company will make the Auburn street barn answer its purpose.

The public in general will be pleased to learn that Tom McEwen, than whom there is no more popular man in eastern Oregon, nor one better posted in the stage and freighting business, will remain with the new company, occupying an important and responsible position. He has consented to remain with the new people for at least six months.

T. G. Harrison and W. H. Cade are good people for this town and district to secure as citizens. It is understood that they represent unlimited capital and that this is only a starter; that they contemplate making other large investments and will soon enter upon some important and gigantic enterprises.

Blue Mountain Telephone Lines Sold.

The Blue Mountain Telephone company has just closed a deal whereby it has transferred its entire telephone system, composed of lines from Heppner to Wagner, Lone Rock, Long Creek, John Day, Canyon City, Burns, the Narrow, Sumpter, Baker, Bourne, Susanville and all the principal mines in this district, to the Inland Telephone and Telegraph company, which will soon take charge of the same.

Looking For Subscribers and Ads.

The town has been besieged this week by representatives of outside publications, seeking subscribers and advertising. Messrs. Freese and Baker, of the Spokesman-Review were first on the ground.

That paper, which has done much for this district, already had a large list here and these gentlemen have materially increased it. Leonard Fowler, editor of the State, a monthly magazine published at Tacoma, and his advertising manager, G. W. Gantz, arrived Sunday. They always have some attractive proposition to submit and never fail to land their victim, whether it be a community or an individual.

Granite Incorporation Petition Granted.

Grant Thornburg, W. J. Patterson and Gus Bachman returned Monday evening from Canyon City. The petition by themselves and others for the incorporation of the town of Granite was allowed, and Monday, April 9, was the day set for the election of officers. The county court also granted right of way along the public highway of Grant county for lines of the Eastern Oregon Electric company, of which these gentlemen are among the leading stockholders. The sale of the Stevens placer claim, patented, was also confirmed and this valuable property will soon be platted as an addition to Granite. As it occupies an especially favorable location the lots will find quick sale at good prices.—Granite Boulder.

MR. AND MRS. CONNELL RETURN

Have Spent Several Weeks on the Coast and in East.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Connell were glad to welcome them home Friday, after an absence of several weeks, visiting relatives and friends west and east. They left Sumpter January 2 and returned March 16. Miss Agnes Connell, who went with them, stopped at Hoquiam, Washington, with a sister and will remain there at school until summer.

After coming here Mr. and Mrs. Connell went to Portland and Gray's Harbor for a short stay, and then left for Charles City, Iowa, the home of their childhood. After visiting friends in other parts of Iowa they went to Kansas City, Omaha and other cities in the east.

Mr. Connell says the country everywhere is fairly prosperous after a fashion, but not like the Northwest in its business activity. To a MINER representative Mr. Connell said he was agreeably surprised to see such expansive strides taken by Sumpter during his absence; that he was so bewildered by the great number of strange faces and new buildings that he had to inquire where he lived.

Asked in regard to what he was going to do in a business way, as the lease of the Star hotel, which he owns, expires within a few weeks, he said he was not yet decided; that in all probability he would build a new hotel on the property between the Star and the First Bank of Sumpter, or on the lot now occupied as his private residence, on North street.

Mr. Connell said everybody had heard of Sumpter and this wonderful mining district, and he was kept busy answering questions from persons in all the places where his presence was known. There is no doubt about this country receiving its quota of the vast emigration soon setting in from the east and south. If they don't come this month, they will the next, and so on. Mr. and Mrs. Connell are looking well and greatly improved by their outing.

A Japanese boy wants situation as Cook in private family or mining camp. Address, Frank Sano, care On On & Co., Baker City, Oregon.

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