

STAGE LINE IMPROVEMENTS.

New Coaches, Stock and Other Equipment Coming.

What has been so long known as the McEwen & Sloan stage lines, running in every direction from Sumpter, has been recently changed in name and management, and in a few days at the farthest will be also changed in manner of service, until old patrons will be able to draw contrasts between the two concerns. This statement is not intended to cast reflection on the former management, as Tom McEwen is still the manager of the new company. A carload of new stages to take the place of the old ones, is now on the way here, together with new stock to go into the harness, which will make the burden of stage travel much lighter, in fact a pleasure trip, in comparison with some of the experiences of the past.

The new company also announces that a carload of freight wagons and other equipment will arrive in a day or two, with which to enlarge its facilities for moving freight, of which there is and will be a large tonnage from this point.

The passenger traffic, however, will probably receive the chief attention of the company, and since it assumed charge of affairs on March 24, has so improved that some days there is a scramble for room, and at all times the stages go out loaded.

The old livery barn on Center street is fast being remodeled into a business block, in which it is learned there will be five store rooms on the ground floor and forty rooms up stairs, to be used as a lodging house. One of the stores below is said to be engaged by a Portland man or firm for a dry goods house.

The company offices will also be moved from the present cramped quarters into one of the new rooms, where better facilities will be afforded for the business.

Eventually it is the intention to concentrate all the departments controlled, the stage barn, livery stable, blacksmith, wagon and harness shops under one roof, making the largest institution of the kind in the state. The new corporation, now known as the Sumpter Transportation company, is officered by W. H. Cade, president; T. G. Harrison, vice-president and treasurer; N. C. Richards, secretary, and Tom McEwen, manager.

Hot Water Artesian Wells.

C. H. Haines has completed an artesian well in the Moxee district, Yakima county, Washington, for Raoul Langevin, of the French colony. The well is 770 feet deep and discharges three-fourths of a cubic foot per second. It cost \$1000, but is considered cheap at that price, as it furnishes a perpetual water supply for irrigating the entire farm of 100 acres. This makes twenty-one wells in the Moxee basin furnishing water for over 2000 acres. As the water comes to the surface at a temperature of 77 degrees, it is valuable for irrigating in summer and heating barns and dwelling houses in winter. The district will be converted into an early garden and truck farming area, and some of the farmers propose adding poultry and pet animals to their profit-making industries.—East Oregonian.

"Leave Home to Hear the News."

The O. R. & N. and Union Pacific, in conjunction with the Colorado roads, handled a big haul from Denver last week. The traffic consisted of 400 horses and 60 first-class passenger fares from Denver through to Sumpter, Oregon. A big stage company, carrying most of its own equipment and bringing all employees, has just landed at Sumpter and will absorb all the stage lines in all directions

from the mining center. The service between Sumpter and Canyon City will be improved. Vic Schilling received word today that extensive plans are being formed by the stage company for increasing the business of that community.—Portland Telegram.

Sperry-Roberts Nuptials.

Eugene Sperry went to Baker City Saturday, met and married Miss Carrie Roberts, on her return from Portland. The ceremony was performed at the rectory of St. Stephen's church, by Rev. C. H. Lake. Mr. and Mrs. Sperry came at once to Sumpter, where they were greeted and congratulated by their many acquaintances here. Both are popular with their wide circle of friends, who predict for them a happy, and hope for them a long, prosperous married life.

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12:30 p. m.	Lv. Sumpter	Ar. Canyon City	10:30 a. m.
1:30 p. m.	Ar. Clifford	Lv. Canyon City	8:00 a. m.
4:40 p. m.	Lv. Clifford	Ar. Canyon City	7:30 a. m.
7:30 p. m.	Ar. Austin	Lv. Canyon City	5:00 a. m.

Connecting at Austin with stages for Canyon City and interior points.

4:40 p. m.	Lv. Clifford	Ar. Canyon City	7:30 a. m.
5:00 p. m.	Ar. Bonanza	Lv. Canyon City	6:30 a. m.

Connecting at Bonanza with stages for Pys, Robinsonville, Worley, Virginia, Don Juan and Belcher mines.

SUMPTER-GRANITE ROUTE.

12:30 p. m.	Lv. Sumpter	Ar. Granite	10:00 a. m.
4:30 p. m.	Ar. Granite	Lv. Sumpter	7:00 a. m.

Livery at Granite to North Fork, Red Boy, Banquette and adjacent mines.

SUMPTER-BOURNE ROUTE.

12:30 p. m.	Lv. Sumpter	Ar. Bourne	9:30 a. m.
1:00 p. m.	Ar. Bourne	Lv. Sumpter	8:00 a. m.
1:30 p. m.	Ar. Columbia	Lv. Sumpter	7:30 a. m.

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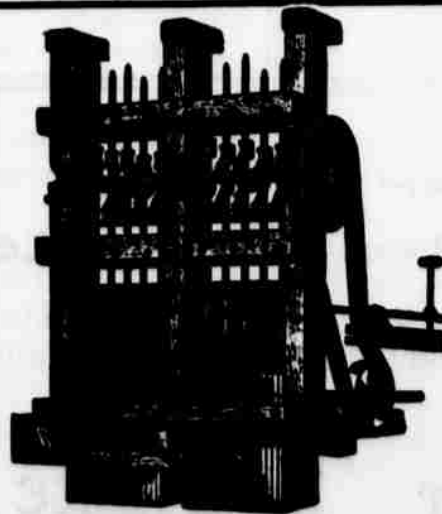
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