The Phoenix Herald

Feb 27, 1882

(Florence)

The telegraph is now working between Pinal, Florence and Casa Grande.

Arizona Daily Gazette

August 23, 1901

Tombstone Improvements

Tombstone will soon be connected by telephone with the outside world. The Gila Valley Telephone Co. Who have a franchise will shortly build through Pierce, Gleason, Tombstone and Bisbee to Tucson and the long distance lines. Work will begin in a short time and the line established to Tombstone before next January. (Tombstone Prospector)

ARIZONA GAZETTE

August 4, 1911

Telephone Activity Mountain States, Operating in Eastern Part of Territory, Expanding

The Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company which operates largely in the eastern part of the territory, by a process of absorption has entered the field of the larger companies, and if the present policy be continued it all classes of business.

This company has just purchased the Tombstone Telephone Company's property and now has direct communication between Tombstone and El Paso and also to Los Angeles. The deal includes all the telephone stations and lines of the Tombstone Telephone Company at Benson, St. David, Fairbanks, Charleston and several other places.

The new management has already taken charge and the system will be under supervision of Manager Evans, who has moved from Colorado Springs to Tombstone.

The ARIZONA GAZETTE

June 17, 1902

E. C. Gee, Division Superintendent for Sunset Telephone Company, left this morning for Wickenburg where his company is installing a local exchange. The local line at Wickenburg is not as yet, very large, only fifteen subscribers using the telephone.

The exchange is located in the store of Mr. J. C. Reed, and that gentleman has been appointed the company's manager at this point.

As yet, connection with the outside world is not made, but Mr. Gee is of the opinion that by the middle of next month, the line from Castle Creek (Hot Springs) will have been completed. Mr. Page, the local manger (Phoenix) of the Sunset Lines, will also have a general supervision of the company's lines in all parts of the country. If he is able to secure for Wickenburg the splendid service he has given this city, little complaint will be heard from the residents of the rustling mining camp of the northern part of the county.

The ARIZONA GAZETTE

Friday, July 25, 1902

New Line Completed and Connection was Established Yesterday

Phoenix can now talk with residents of Wickenburg over the telephone, the Sunset Telephone Company having completed the building of its line to that point yesterday.

For several months past, the company's lines in that direction have run only to the Castle Creek Hot Springs, but about the first of June, the extension of the line to Wickenburg was commenced. Briggs, Consolation and Kingston are on the new line, which gives the Castle Creek Hot Springs to Wickenburg is about thirty miles in length. At Wickenburg, the exchange is made up of fifteen subscribers and the company's offices are in the store of J. C. Reed. With the advent of the telephone, Wickenburg people are made optimistical as to their future and predict at no distant date the installation of other modern appliance.

The Wickenburg extension will be received with the pleasure by Phoenix merchants, for the trade of that busy mining camp is no small item to the commercial interests of this city. The tolls for Phoenix subscribers to converse with Wickenburg are 40 cents for three minutes and 10 cents each additional minute.