

# Gleeson Business Directories

Business directories were the turn-of-the-century equivalent to today's Yellow Pages. Phones were not common in places like Gleeson, and only a very few could afford them. Instead, businesses would be listed in the business directory, which was organized by city or town name, and distributed state-wide. For added visibility, bold-print listings could also be purchased, as could larger ads. These typically ran around the edges of each directory page, or would be placed between town names.

Even in large towns, addresses were generally not given, nor were telephone numbers, even when the telephone became a widespread business standard. Each listing would begin with a brief description of location, population, banking, and post-office information. An example page is shown below.

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**BERTRAM BROS. ELECTRIC CO. DEALERS**  
16 SOUTH CENTRAL AVENUE GLEESON PHOENIX, ARIZONA 291

**AYERS ARTHUR W.**, hog breeder, postmaster.  
Bank of Gilbert, F D Rowell pres, J I Burk sec.  
Burns Mr, blacksmith.  
Clay Fred E, notary public.  
Cole Miss Lena, prin school.  
Davis, dry goods, groceries.  
Ferini J I, dairy.  
Gilbert Cash Store, Fred Clay prop, genel mdse.  
Gilbert Commercial Club.  
Lacy Leonard, station agent.  
Lacy P S, dairy.  
Lacy Bros, blacksmiths.  
Lang Benj, dairy.  
Locarnini John, dairy.  
Pacific Creamery Co.  
Pine Chas, dairy.  
Spindle T E, groceries, meats, agri implements.

**GLEESON.**  
Postoffice in Cochise county, 14 miles southeast of Pearce, terminus A. E. R. R., and 14 miles east of Tombstone, the county seat and nearest banking point. Mining and stockraising the industries. Altitude 5,000 feet. Population 500.

Abril M R, barber.  
Bolton Chas, notary publie.  
Brown D C, physician.  
Clifford Mrs J, dressmaker.  
Costello M Co.  
Gibson A H, prin school.  
Griffiths E, millinery .  
Griffiths E, general merchandise.  
Lannon M J, postmaster.  
Leon P, blacksmith.  
Miller B B, boarding house.  
Moore R L, r r and exp agt.  
Musser L, saw mill.  
New State Telephone Co, B A Taylor mgr.  
Quong Kee, bakery.  
**RENAUD G M.** general merchandise.  
Ridgway S, abstracts, justice peace.  
Royce Ward, assayer.

**MARICOPA COUNTY CONCRETE CO.**  
MANUFACTURERS OF FAMOUS HARLAN IRRIGATION GATE, UNDERGROUND CONCRETE PIPE SYSTEMS, IRRIGATION APPLIANCES.  
202 N. 7th AVENUE, (AT FIVE POINTS.) PHOENIX, ARIZONA

**CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK OF LOS ANGELES**  
UNITED STATES DEPOSITORY  
CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$2,300,000.00  
Southwest Cor. Main and Third Sts., Los Angeles, Cal.  
We Solicit Your Southern California Business.

Sample page from 1914-15 Business Directory. Gleeson listings begin halfway down the page. (Top half is continuation of Gilbert listing). Note the ads around the edges, and the bold listing of certain entries. These were the paid promotions. (This example is printed here at half-scale.)







1902

Mining town and postoffice in Cochise Co., 16 miles east of Tombstone and 35 miles south of Cachise, on the S. P. R. R., nearest R. R. and ex. office. Banking point Tucson. Principal pursuits, mining and cattle raising. Population 200. Mail 6 times per week.

Copper Bell M. C. Store, gen mdse., F. B. O'Brien, Mgr.

Dudley, J. W., physician.

Gleeson, John, capitalist.

Hotel Neirbo, Douglass O'Brien

Kelso, John, saloon.

Moore, W. B., saloon.

McCloskey, John, saloon.

Musso, Louis, saloon.

O'Brien, Frank R., postmaster.

Pistonette, J., gen. mdse.

Tabet, Chas., gen. mdse.

Taylor, B. A., gen. mdse.

Van Meter, G. S., Supt. water works

## 1905-1906

Postoffice in Cochise county, 14 miles southeast of Pearce. Mining and stockraising the industries. Population 35.

Copper Bell Mining Co, John G Hateley supt.

Costello Mining Co, John Gleeson mgr.

Gleeson John, mines and mining.

NORTON MORGAN COMMERCIAL COMPANY, general merchandise, wool & hides,

Albert Peterson mgr.

Silver Bell Mining Co.

Taylor B A, general merchandise.

White P, postmaster.

## 1907-1908

Postoffice in Cochise county, 14 miles southeast of Pearce. Mining and stockraising the industries. Population 35.

COPPER BELL MINING CO, Shannon Copper Co leasers, Geo R Reed supt.

Costello Mining Co, John Gleeson mgr.

Gleeson John, mines and mining.

Ridgway Sidney, justice peace.

Silver Bell Mining Co.

Taylor B A, general merchandise.

White P, postmaster.

## 1909-1910

Postoffice in Cochise county, 14 miles southeast of Pearce. Mining and stockraising the industries. Population 500.

Bentley J W, carpenter and builder.  
Brown & Co, shoemakers.  
Bryant S S, stage line.  
CAMPBELL M J, postmaster.  
Costello M Co.  
COURTLAND MEAT CO.  
Graham G, attorney.  
Huntoon H A, physician.  
Le Blanc David, barber.  
McClain & Co, blacksmiths.  
McKinney & Co, meat market.  
Moore W B, ice.  
Moore & Stone, saloon.  
Ridgway S, justice peace.  
Shannon Copper Co.  
Sneed & Co, genl mdse.  
Taylor B A, saloon and groceries.  
Tejon M Co, W H McKittrick mgr.  
Union Sunday School, W Sneed leader.  
Wee Kee, restaurant.

## 1911-1912

Postoffice in Cochise county, 14 miles southeast of Pearce. Mining and stockraising the industries. Population 500.

Bentley J W, carpenter and builder.  
 Boulding A W, freighter.  
 Brown & Co, shoemakers.  
 Bryant S S, stage line.  
 CAMPBELL M J, postmaster.  
 Costello M Co.  
 COURTLAND MEAT CO.  
 Franklin Jas, groceries.  
 Graham G, county attorney.  
 Griffiths R, grain dealer.  
 Holsner J, saloon.  
 Leonard J, physician.  
 Le Blanc David, barber.  
 LANNON M J, postmaster.  
 Leland E, assayer.  
 Lockett R R, dairy  
 McKinney & Co, meat market.  
 McLane D C, blacksmith  
 Moore W B, ice.  
 Moore & Bostwick, saw mill.  
 Moore & Stone, saloon.  
 Parrish I, lodgings.  
 Quong Yee, restaurant.  
 Ridgway S, justice peace.  
 Shannon Copper Co.  
 Simon Bros, meat market.  
 Sing Kee, laundry  
 Sneed & Co, general merchandise  
 Taylor B A, saloon and groceries  
 Tejon M Co, W H McKittrick mgr.  
 Union Sunday School, W Sneed leader.  
 Wee Yee, restaurant

## 1914-1915

Postoffice in Cochise county, 14 miles southeast of Pearce, terminus A. E. R. R., and 14 miles east of Tombstone, the county seat and nearest banking point. Mining and stockraising the industries. Altitude 5,000 feet. Population 500.

Abril, M R, barber.  
Bolton Chas, notary public.  
Brown D C, physician.  
Clifford Mrs J, dressmaker.  
Costello M Co.  
Gibson A H, prin school.  
Griffiths E, millinery .  
Griffiths R, general merchandise.  
Lannon M J, postmaster.  
Leon P, blacksmith.  
Miller B B, boarding house.  
Moore R L, rr and exp agt.  
Musser L, saw mill.  
New State Telephone Co, B A Taylor mgr.  
Quong Kee, bakery.  
RENAUD C M, general merchandise.  
Ridgway S, abstracts, justice peace.  
Royce Ward, assayer.  
Scheneff A, shoemaker.  
Schultz W J, freighter  
Simon M, general merchadise.  
Stone R T, saloon  
Taylor B A, dry goods.  
Van Meter G I, opera house.

## 1920

Postoffice in Cochise county, 14 miles southeast of Pearce, terminus A. E. R. R., and 14 miles east of Tombstone, the county seat and nearest banking point. Mining and stock raising the industries. Altitude 5,000 feet. Population about 400.

Anderson N J, garage

Central House

Corbin E B Mrs, prin school

Crozier E W, meat market

Holchuh J, shoemkr

Liberty House

Lopez O, barber

Markey D A, painter

Martell M, barber

Moore C, rr and tel agt

Shannon Copper Co

Stroud Reginald, phys

SULLIVAN ELIZABETH, postmaster

Sullivan M J, justice peace, notary public, carp

Tejon Mining Co

Yee Wee, rest

1921

Postoffice in Cochise county, 14 miles southeast of Pearce, terminus A. E. R. R., and 14 miles east of Tombstone, the county seat and nearest banking point. Mining and stockraising the industries. Altitude 5,000 feet. Population 200.

Bono Barney, genl mdse

Central House

Corbin E B Mrs, prin school

Crozier E W, meat market

Gurs N J, justice peace

Liberty House

Markey D A, painter

Shannon Copper Co

Standish F C Mrs, rest

SULLIVAN ELIZABETH, postmaster

Sullivan M J, notary public, carp

Taylor B A, genl mdse

Tejon Mining Co

Yee Wee, rest

1922

Postoffice in Cochise county, 14 miles southeast of Pearce, terminus A. E. R. R., and 14 miles east of Tombstone, the county seat and nearest banking point. Mining and stockraising the industries. Altitude 5,000 feet. Population 125.

Bono Barney, genl mdse  
Central House  
Geers N J, justice peace  
Liberty House  
Markey D A, painter  
O'CONNOR M H, postmaster  
Shannon Copper Co  
Standish F C Mrs, rest  
Taylor B A, genl mdse  
Tejon Mining Co

1923

Postoffice in Cochise county, 14 miles southeast of Pearce, terminus A. E. R. R., and 14 miles east of Tombstone, the county seat and nearest banking point. Mining and stockraising the industries. Altitude 5,000 feet. Population 125.

Bono Barney, genl mdse

Central House

Geers N J, justice peace

Liberty House

Markey D A, painter

O'CONNOR M H, acting postmaster

Shannon Copper Co

Standish F C Mrs, rest

Taylor B A, genl mdse

Tejon Mining Co

1924

Postoffice in Cochise county 14 miles southeast of Pearce, terminus A. E. R. R., and 14 miles east of Tombstone, the county seat and nearest banking point. Mining and stockraising the industries. Altitude 5,000 feet. Population 125.

Bono Barney, genl mdse

Central House

Geers N J, justice peace

Liberty House

Markey D A, painter

O'CONNOR M H, acting postmaster

Shannon Copper Co

Standish F C Mrs, rest

Taylor B A, genl mdse

Tejon Mining Co

Yee Wee, rest

1925

Postoffice in Cochise county 14 miles southeast of Pearce, terminus A. E. R. R., and 14 miles east of Tombstone, the county seat and nearest banking point. Mining and stockraising the industries. Altitude 5,000 feet. Population 125.

Bono Barney, genl mdse  
Central House  
Geers N J, justice peace  
Liberty House  
Markey D A, painter  
O'CONNOR M H, postmaster  
Shannon Copper Co  
Taylor B A, genl mdse  
Tejon Mining Co  
Yee Wee, rest

1927

Postoffice in Cochise county, 14 miles southeast of Pearce, terminus S. P. R. R., and 14 miles east of Tombstone, the county seat and nearest banking point. Mining and stock raising the industries. Altitude 5,000 feet. Population 125.

Bono Barney, genl mdse  
Central House  
Geers N J, justice peace  
Liberty House  
Markey D A, painter  
O'CONNOR M H, postmaster  
Shannon Copper Co  
Taylor B A, genl mdse  
Tejon Mining Co  
Yee Wee, rest

1928

Postoffice in Cochise county, 14 miles southeast of Pearce, terminus S. P. R. R., and 14 miles east of Tombstone, the county seat and nearest banking point. Mining and stock raising the industries. Altitude 5,000 feet. Population 125.

Bono Barney, genl mdse

Central House

Liberty House

Markey D A, painter

O'CONNOR M H, postmaster

Shannon Copper Co

Tejon Mining Co

Yee Wee, rest

1929

Postoffice in Cochise county, 14 miles southeast of Pearce, terminus S. P. R. R., and 14 miles east of Tombstone, the county seat and nearest banking point. Mining and stock raising the industries. Population 125. Altitude 5,000 feet.

Bono Barney, genl mdse  
Central House, Mrs. T Y McLendon prop  
Markey D A, painter  
O'CONNOR M H, postmaster  
Shannon Copper Co  
Tejon Mining Co, F W Giroux mgr  
Yee Wee, rest

1930

Postoffice in Cochise county, 14 miles southeast of Pearce, terminus S. P. R. R., and 28 miles north of Bisbee, the county seat. Tombstone is the nearest banking point. Mining and stock raising the industries. Population 60. Altitude 5,000 feet.

Bono Barney, genl mdse  
Giroux Frank W, mining eng  
Markey D A, painter  
O'CONNOR M H, postmaster  
Shannon Copper Co  
Tejon Mining Co, F W Giroux mgr  
Yee Wee, rest

1931

Postoffice in Cochise county, 14 miles southeast of Pearce, terminus S. P. R. R., and 27 miles north of Bisbee, the county seat. Tombstone is the nearest banking point. Mining and stock raising the industries. Population 50. Altitude 5,000 feet.

Bono Barney, genl mdse  
Markey D A, painter  
O'CONNOR M H, postmaster  
Shannon Copper Co  
Tejon Mining Co

1932

Postoffice in Cochise county, 14 miles southeast of Pearce, terminus S. P. R. R., and 27 miles north of Bisbee, the county seat. Tombstone is the nearest banking point. Mining and stock raising the industries. Population 50. Altitude 5,000 feet.

Bono Barney, genl mdse  
Markey D A, painter  
O'CONNOR M H, postmaster  
Shannon Copper Co  
Tejon Mining Co

1936

Postoffice in Cochise county, 16 miles east of Tombstone, the nearest railroad point, and 27 miles north of Bisbee, the county seat and nearest banking point. Mining and stock raising the industries. Population 50. Altitude 5,292 feet.

Bono Barney, genl mdse  
Gleeson Placers, C L McConnell supt  
Markey D A, painter  
O'CONNOR M H, postmaster  
Shannon Copper Co  
Tejon Mining Co

1937

Postoffice in Cochise county, 16 miles east of Tombstone, the nearest railroad point, and 27 miles north of Bisbee, the county seat and nearest banking point. Mining and stock raising the principal industries. Population 50. Altitude 4,922 feet.

Bono Barney, genl mdse  
Gleeson Placers, C L McConnell supt  
Markey D A, painter  
O'CONNOR M H, postmaster  
Shannon Copper Co  
Tejon Mining Co

1938

Postoffice in Cochise county, 16 miles east of Tombstone, the nearest railroad point, and 26 miles north of Bisbee, the county seat and nearest banking point. Mining and stock raising the principal industries. Population 50. Altitude 4,922 feet.

Arizona Small Mine Operators Assn. Turquoise Council John Gleeson chairman, Jess LaPrade (Pearce) sec  
Bono Barney, genl mdse  
KUCHENBECKER L F, postmaster  
McLendon Y J, mining

1939

Postoffice (Cochise Co.) 16 miles E of Tombstone. Bisbee is the nearest banking point. Mining, cattle. Population 60. Altitude 5,000 feet.

Arizona Small Mine Operators Assn. Turquoise Council C S Monomnier chairman, H N

Carleton secy, meets Tues of 1st full week, alternating between Pearce & Gleeson

Bono Barney, genl mdse

KUCHENBECKER L F, postmaster

Shannon Copper Co

Tejon Mining Co