Payson Pony Route to Camp Verde

Postal Route
Payson, Arizona Territory  
Pine, Arizona Territory 20 miles  
Strawberry, Arizona Territory 7 miles  
Camp Verde, Arizona Territory 40 miles  
Prescott, Arizona Territory 44 miles  
Seligman, Arizona Territory 74 miles  
California border 110 miles  
Postal Route distance 295 miles

May 11, 1888  
Payson, Arizona Territory  
Postmark Pitzer-Meyer Type 2  
Postmark Census 1 of 11 known

Westbound mails from Payson were carried on horseback to Camp Verde on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The 67 mile postal route was completed the same day.

Cover postmarked Payson Friday, May 11, 1888. Received Camp Verde Monday May 14, 1888. Plausible explanations for three day delay is mail missed the morning despatch from Payson and was carried on Monday or mail was carried Friday and sorting occurred Monday morning in Camp Verde.