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Cover Photo: Colorado River steamer Cocopah circa 1880. Largely forgotten is the necessary role played by Colorado River paddlewheel steamboats that supplied early Arizona settlements beginning in 1852. Ocean-going ships brought their loads from San Francisco to the mouth of the Colorado where the goods and machinery were off loaded to shallow draft river steamers. They were first used to bring supplies to isolated military outposts at Fort Yuma and Fort Mojave. Then the discovery of gold and silver lodes on the Colorado extended their service to river ports such as La Paz, Ehrenberg and Hardyville (now Bullhead City). From those landing points mule-drawn freight wagon delivered goods to communities and mines further up the river and to the interior towns of Prescott, Wickenburg, Phoenix and Tucson. The importance of the steamer services to Arizona declined with the coming of the railroads and ended in 1909 with completion of the Laguna Dam above Yuma. Please see the Tom Sanders article beginning on page 27 to learn more of what those early times were like.