## The Similkameen Spotlight

May 17, 1995 - Government buys Granite City

Hon. Bill Barlee, Minister of Small Business, Tourism and Culture, announced on May 11 that the provincial government has purchased the Granite City site for \$15,000. The site will be maintained as a ghost town, but buildings will be restored or replaced. Barlee said that \$40,000 to \$60,000 will be spent at the site next year.

The atmosphere of 1900 will be emphasized. Cook's general store will be restored, along with the 'treasure' cabin. The site will become a tourist destination in the years to come. ~