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Man Made Paradise Rises Where Once The Cactus And The Sage Brush Grew

Handsome Public Buildings First To Greet Visitor's Eye

SOME INTERESTING PHOENIX STATISTICS

Population	Bldg. Permits	Postal Business
1910...11,134	1908...\$ 294,905	1910...\$ 66,000
1911...15,000	1909... 559,850	1911... 75,537
1912...18,000	1911... 911,661	1912... 84,458
1913...20,500	1913... 1,577,284	1913... 96,568
1915...24,000	1914... 951,345	1914... 130,027

By C. H. Wood

Perhaps no city of the same population, 25,000, has as many handsome public buildings as the city of Phoenix.

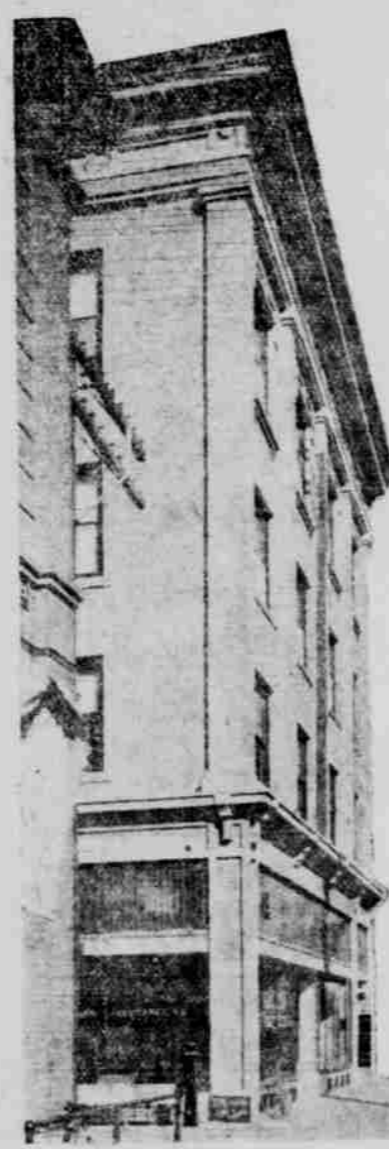
Look at the list—Capital building, \$1,000,000; Federal building, \$750,000; Y. M. C. A. building, \$100,000; Water Users building, \$40,000; Carnegie library, \$25,000; High School group, \$200,000; Monroe School building, \$170,000; Adams School building, \$50,000; and other school buildings costing from \$10,000 to \$20,000; and the Court House and City Hall, each occupying a square. These last two buildings are hardly up-to-date, but the beautiful grounds surrounding them make two beauty spots in the busy "down-town" district of this lovely city of ours.

Speaking of grounds, where did you ever see more beautiful grounds than those surrounding our handsome Capital building? The park surrounding the Carnegie Library is another. In fact the ample and well kept grounds that surround all of our public buildings is the one thing

magnificent Monroe School building, the most up-to-date and complete school building in the United States, situated on an adjacent square.

It would seem that the simple enumeration of the above buildings would be enough for one city, but we are not done yet. A couple miles to the east, we find the State Hospital buildings and farm, erected and improved at a cost of half a million. Two miles to the north of the city limits, we find the Indian School buildings and farms, one of the most complete and best equipped plants maintained by the Federal Government for the education of the Indians to be found in the United States. There are only two others in the United States that compare with it. This plant and the farms adjacent, represent an outlay of over a million dollars. It is the Indian college of the Southwest where an acreage of 500 pupils can be found busily engaged in an effort to become real citizens of the United States.

Then there is another distinctive



—Fitzhugh and Fitzhugh, Architects
THE NOLL BUILDING
One of the many modern office buildings erected in Phoenix since the "the Dam" was finished.

Beautiful Homes Pride Of Capital City Of Arizona

The title of the one city that is different than any other in the Southwest may be justly given to the Capital City of Arizona. The barren conditions of the surrounding country prior to irrigation is partly responsible for the lack of lumber for building purposes, and this together with the climatic conditions is chiefly responsible for the present type of construction, namely, brick, stone and concrete. A stranger within the city gate, marvels at the solidity in construction of the business and residence section. The Spanish or mission type largely prevails, and the big cool inviting porches shaded with palms, ferns and the climbing rose for which the country is famous, presents a picture of semi-tropical comfort and contentment that must be seen to be appreciated. Arizona is the land of out doors, and Phoenix is its best-known center. This accounts for one building feature that is unknown in the north and east, namely, the screen sleeping porch room that all houses are equipped with. Architectural skill of high order is shown in the planning of Phoenix homes, and the blending of the Spanish, Mission, Colonial and here and there a touch of the Japanese and Egyptian type gives this youngest metropolis an appearance that is pleasing and lasting. Bungalows are most favored in building, but many two story

city progressiveness and civic righteousness of their beautiful little city.

I am not mentioning the churches, the School of Music, the Woman's club, and other buildings that might be classed in the way as public buildings, for I have already exceeded the space allotted me, and these alone deserve a column.

Paved Streets Not Lacking In The Queen City

Phoenix during the past few years has been adding to its beauty in the way of paved streets, avenues and boulevards. During the past four years there have been laid out within the city limits of Phoenix 6.71 miles of high class pavement. The downtown or business streets are paved with five-inch hydraulic cement concrete base with a two-inch bitulithic wearing surface laid at prices varying from \$2.09 to \$2.15 per square yard. There is also a half block of pavement in the business section of concrete pavement which consists of 7 in. hydraulic cement concrete laid with steel expansion joints. The pavement of the resident sections are 2 1/2 inch asphalt concrete base and 1 1/2 inch standard bitulithic surface, laid at a price of \$1.50 per square yard.

Nine blocks of pavement on the McDowell Road bordering on the city is a four-inch bitulithic, using gravel as the mineral aggregate, laid at a cost of \$2.00 per square yard. In addition to these pavements there is approximately 2 1/2 miles of bitulithic and three miles of oil macadam on north Central avenue, extending to the Country Club. There is a half mile of cement concrete pavement extending from the city limits followed by three miles of macadam on McDowell road.

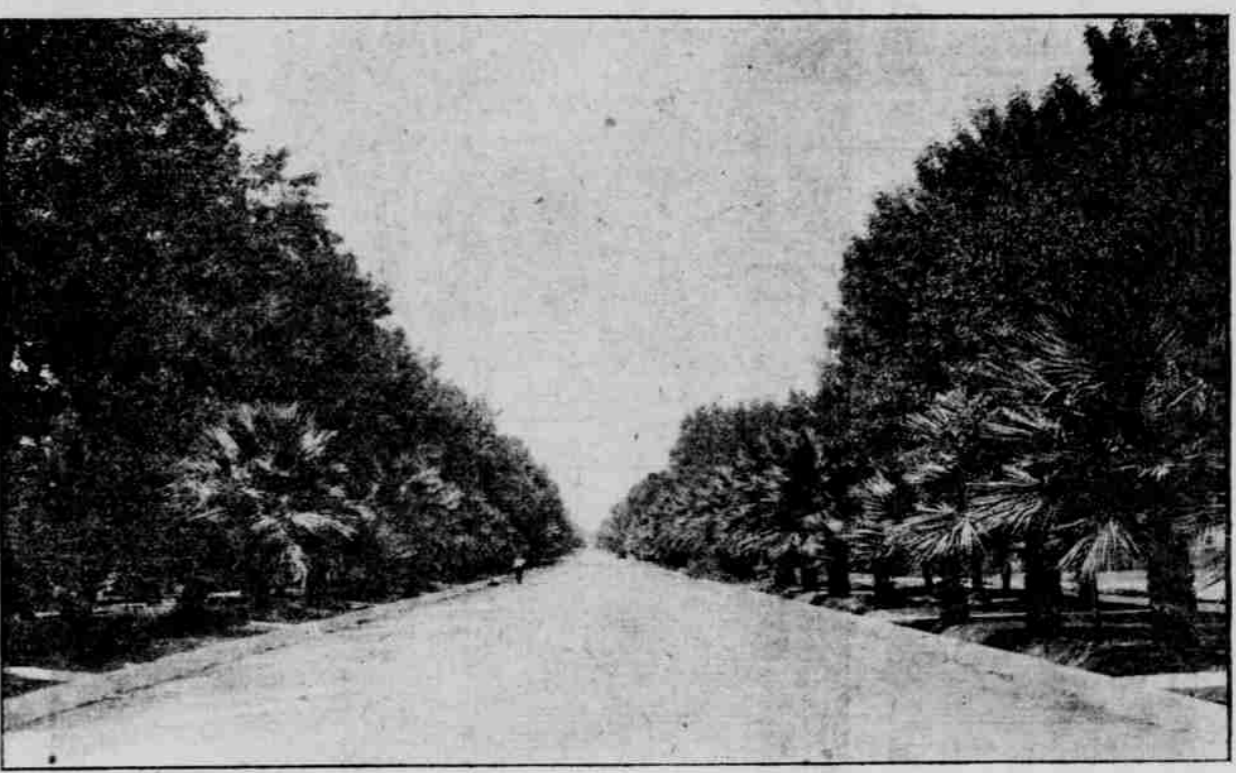
On South Seventh avenue from the city limits to the Salt River there is nearly one mile of cement concrete pavement sixteen feet wide. Considerable pavement is now being constructed for, and doubtless the paved area of the city will continue to be extended.

While many of the country roads adjacent to Phoenix are well graded and considered good dirt roads, there are several main roads that are being macadamized and made into good permanent highways. On Grand avenue, adjacent to the city, running northwest from Phoenix, are six and one-half miles of the State Highway, of which four miles is of new macadam of gravel and sand, with a sand and oil wearing surface, and two and a half miles of reconstructed Caliche roadway. All recently completed at a cost of \$25,000,000. East from Phoenix to the State Highway work is now being done on several miles of roadway with a Caliche base and sand surface, connecting with the Phoenix - Tempe State highway, to the beautiful state concrete bridge over the Salt River at Tempe.

There are 91.28 miles of streets in the city. There are 35 miles of alleys.

The area of public parks inside the city limits, including the Capital grounds, is 32.98 acres. The area of parks outside the limits is 2822 acres, a total of 6120 acres of parks for Phoenix.

Phoenix has a fine up-to-date sanitary sewer, a total in length of 70.5 miles, built at a cost of \$41,466,182. The city recently purchased 36 acres



A RESIDENCE STREET IN PHOENIX
On North First Avenue, where four rows of trees on either side lend shade and beauty. This bitulithic paved street with cement curbing is typical of many miles of similar work done the past three years.

Riches Of Earth Symbolized In The Valley Roses

"I sometimes think that never blows so red
The Rose as where some buried Caesar bled!"

and by that same token I am reminded of an old English superstition that the "Amenem" pulsatilla, or purple "Pasque flower," which grows plentifully near Cambridge, grows only where Danish blood has been spilt.

We have a purple Pasque flower here, and no one in the Salt River Valley needs to be reminded of the beauty, fragrance and plentifulness of roses growing here. Can it be back into a rose, and you will remember, in the Orient the night-

gains are found everywhere, has prepared the ground and lent an added lustre to the flower that grows more luxuriantly here than elsewhere?

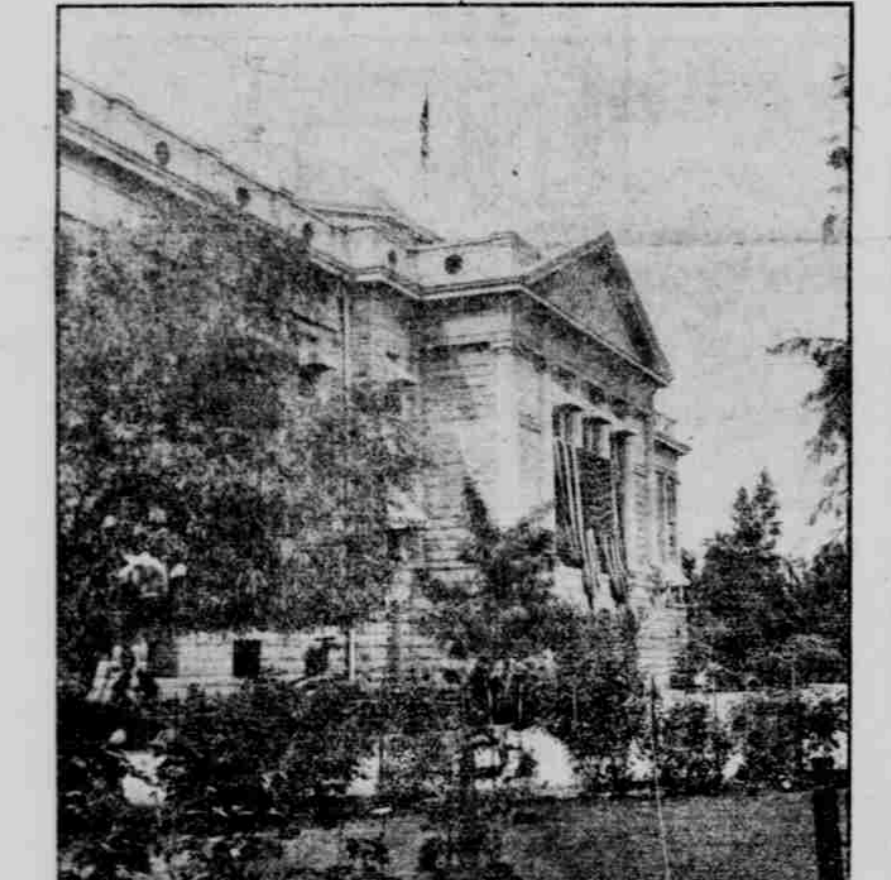
This recalls a Rumanian legend of the rosebush. Having achieved the utmost of beauty whereof a plant is capable, it surpassed itself in one huge bud, which, opening, gave birth to a handsome Prince. The young man took his place in the affairs of men, but the juices of the rose still mingled in his blood, and he yearned for tranquility. The knowledge that he might serve the world through beauty, better than by mingling in wars and strifes, led him back to the scene of his birth. His parent rosebush had disappeared. The trees and all the birds, except the nightingale, declared it dead. The nightingale sang the Prince's soul to turn it into the Garden of the Rose of the World.

sale sings only when the rose blossoms.

The rose is brother, sister, cousin to a score of valued herbs and trees, the apple, pear, raspberry, strawberry, blackberry to mention a few, all of these growing here. Doth it not follow "as the night the day" that we have the makings? Quoting Omar again: "Look to the blowing rose about us —Lo, Laughing, she says, into the world I blow. At once the silken tassel of my parasol, and its treasure on the garden throw."

In everyday language, this quatrain indicates, the riches of the earth symbolized by the rose are here in the Salt River Valley and only a little energy and wisdom is needed to turn it into the Garden of the Rose of the World.

DOROTHY G. MCCLINTOCK.



WHERE LAWS ARE MADE
Arizona's Capital building stands in a beautiful park whose magnificent palms and oleanders, rare shrubs and lovely roses have won for it the name of one of the world's most charming botanical gardens.

that distinguishes Phoenix and places her ahead of even those cities that have more costly buildings than we.

Then the grouping of the buildings not only adds to their beauty, but to the convenience of the public as well. The downtown group—the Federal building, the Y. M. C. A. and the Water Users' buildings, all on one square—with lawns and tiny parks around and between, make as lovely a group of buildings as can be found anywhere except in Phoenix.

Phoenix has a still more beautiful group than these, even the High School group, situated on three squares, beautifully parked, with the



THE JEFFERSON HOTEL
The newest thing in town. It will open soon, a beautiful roof garden is one of its many features.

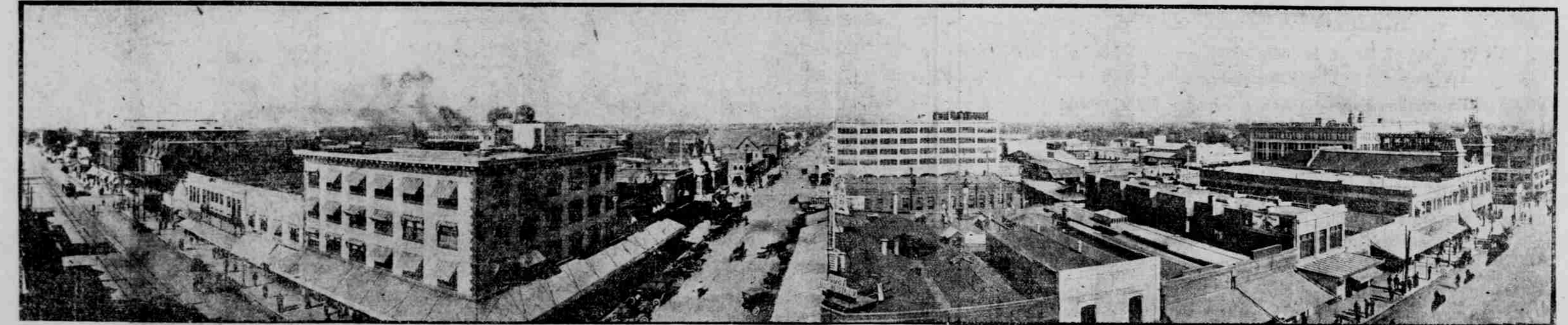


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PANORAMIC VIEW OF NORTH HALF OF BUSINESS DISTRICT OF PHOENIX.
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