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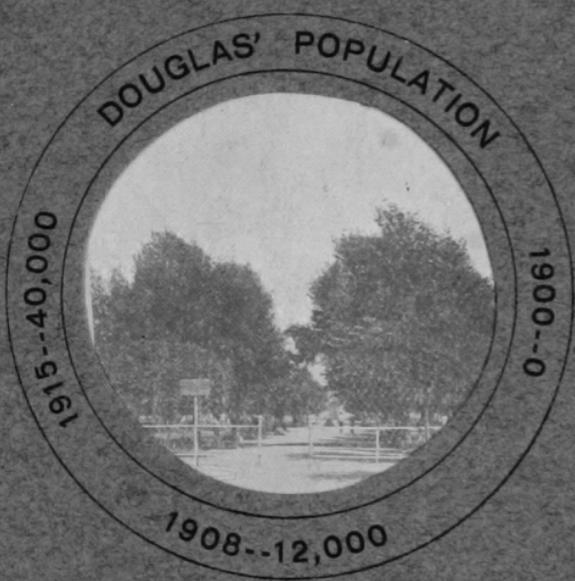
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**Great
Opportunities**

**DOUGLAS
ARIZONA**



"THE SMELTER CITY"

Rich Mines

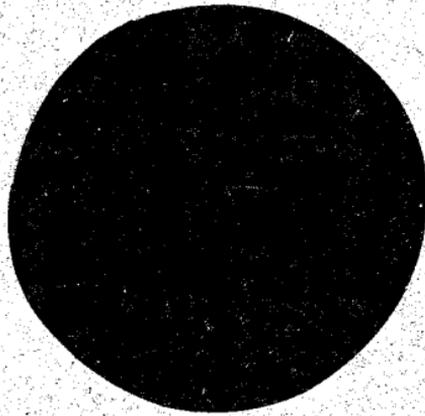
Fertile Soil

Wonderful Climate

Compliments of
**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
AND MINES**

WHY DOUGLAS IS A GOOD PLACE TO LIVE IN

An abundance of good pure water.
An excellent school system with four ward schools and a high school.
Prosperous churches--Presbyterian, Episcopal, Methodist, Baptist, Christian and Catholic.
A most healthful climate--summers pleasant winters most delightful.
People strictly cosmopolitan, every state in the Union well represented.
The City is clean, modern and healthful.
The streets level, broad and well kept.
Lawns, blue grass and white clover.
Trees plentiful everywhere.
Homes beautiful, strictly modern.
Future prospects of the city and people are most excellent.



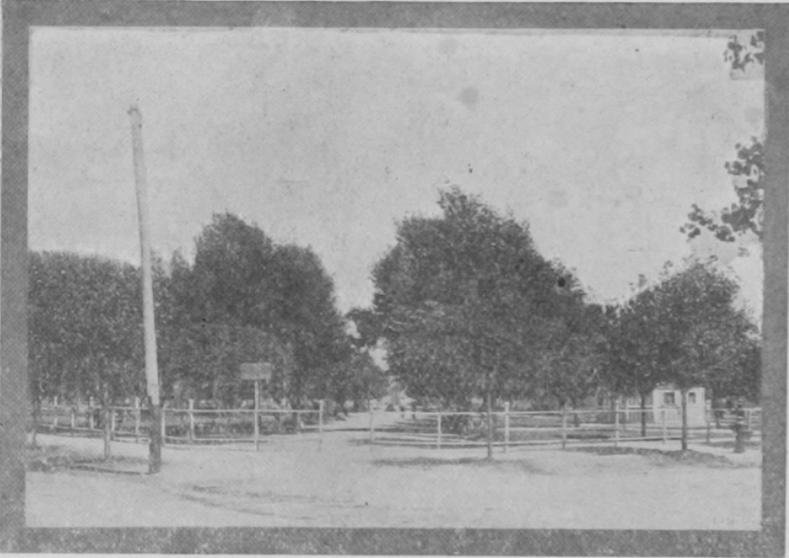
WHY DOUGLAS WILL BE A GREAT CITY AND WHAT WILL MAKE IT

It is in the center of the richest mining district in the world.
It will be the largest smelter city in the world. It is now the second largest.
It is the gateway and supply point for the rich mining section for Sonora, Mexico.
It is the center of the great Sulphur Springs valley, containing over a million acres of rich agricultural land.
It is on main line of the El Paso & Southwestern Railroad and will soon be on main line of the Southern Pacific Railroad to Mexico.
It will be, some day, the main gateway to Mexico.

OPPORTUNITY

Master of human destiny am I!
Fame, love, and fortune on my footsteps wait,
Cities and fields I walk. I penetrate
Deserts and fields remote, and passing by
Hovel and mart and palace, soon or late
I knock unbidden once at every gate!
If sleeping, wake, if feasting, rise before
I turn away. It is the hour of Fate
And those who follow me reach every state
Mortals desire, and conquer every foe
Save Death; but those who doubt or hesitate
Condemned to failure, penury and woe
Seek me in vain, and uselessly implore.
I answer not, and I return no more!

—JOHN J. INGALLS.



DOUGLAS CITY PARK

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DOUGLAS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
AND MINES,
DOUGLAS, ARIZONA



GADSDEN HOTEL



The Lobby



The Dining Room



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DOUGLAS A PROSPEROUS CITY, AND WHY

The question, why has Douglas made such a rapid growth and what are her prospects for the future, also is the city now a good place in which to make an investment, and why? is being asked by thousands of people all over these great United States.

All Eyes on the Southwest

Now the real truth of the matter is, all eyes are fixed on the great Southwest. Everybody in every part of the country is reading, talking and thinking of the Southwest. Many do not know just exactly where it is, but they know that it must be a fine country and that all their friends and acquaintances are talking about it.

Everybody Has Heard of Arizona

Almost everybody knows where California, with her fine climate and beautiful flowers, etc., is located, and they know the Southwest is somewhere east of California. Everyone, likewise, has heard of Arizona and New Mexico, also of Oklahoma and the Texas Panhandle, and they have heard of the beautiful, healthful climate, the irrigated valleys, the farming on the open prairies by the science of dry land farming, and they have read of the great mountains filled with rich ores.

Center of Activity

Now, Douglas is located in nearly the center of this wonderful field of activity. It has the great irrigated valley of the Rio Grande Valley to the east, the Gila Valley to the north, and the Salt River Valley and Colorado River Valleys to the west and northwest. Douglas is the capital of the great Sulphur Springs Valley, which valley is surrounded by low mountains, and outside of these mountains are the great irrigated valleys. These mountains are filled with rich copper, gold and silver ores, and Douglas is the center of these rich mining districts, the metropolis or capital so to speak, of this great expanse of country.

A Railroad Center

Again, Douglas is on the main line of the El Paso and Southwestern Railroad. It is the headquarters of the western division of this railroad, with all of the shops, etc., located at Douglas. The Southern Pacific Railroad is at present engaged in building railroads all over Western Mexico. It is building south from Douglas to Guaymas and on to the City of Mexico. This line will enter all of the



COPPER QUEEN STORE

rich mining and agricultural districts of Mexico and not only that, but it will be the shortest route from the United States to Mexico City, and the engineers claim it will not have to exceed a one per cent grade from Douglas to tide water. The short gap between the main line of the Southern Pacific, from El Paso to California, lying between Douglas and Pearce, some forty miles, will also be built; the Southern Pacific will then build another line west from Douglas and connect up the great Warren mining district at Bisbee and the Cananea mining district at Cananea. Douglas will be the headquarters of the Harriman lines in the Southwest and will be the principal city, for that line, between El Paso and Los Angeles and the gateway to Mexico. The reason for the Southern Pacific building through Douglas and on south to the City of Mexico, is that an easy grade has been found via that route and, besides, the very rich mining and agricultural districts along the line, will earn enormous revenues for the railroad.

Favorably Located

Thus Douglas is a strategic point, most favorable, and most favored by nature and the work of man. Although but six years old, Douglas is now a city of over 12,000 people, and increasing every day. Douglas is a city of fine hotels, substantial business blocks and pretty homes. It is located on an open level prairie. The streets are broad and level. The city can expand for miles in every direction, and yet every building lot will be choice property. The cost of building is not heavy, mainly on account of the climate and location. Great heavy foundations, frost proof, water proof, and snow proof, are not necessary. Most of the homes of Douglas are modern cottages or houses built on the cottage style. The building material is frame, brick, stone, cement blocks and adobe, plastered with rock plaster. The business blocks are built of stone and brick, two and three stories high.

A Substantial City

Everything in the building line is perfectly substantial. Douglas has an excellent street car system traversing the residence and business section of the city and running

to the great smelters and manufacturing plants. The street cars and track is of the most modern and up-to-date type. Douglas also boasts of a fine electric light and power plant. The principal light and power of the city is furnished by electricity. Douglas also has a modern artificial gas plant which furnishes gas for heating, cooking and lighting at the small cost of \$1.50 per thousand. A waterworks, furnishing plenty of clear pure water to all parts of the city, is one of the principal features of the city. The streets of Douglas are the pride of its inhabitants. They are wide and laid out straight and even. The natural soil is a brown sandy soil underlaid with a caliche or limestone gravel. This soil packs very hard. The rainfall is not heavy and not enough to make the soil muddy or even sticky, so that until the sidewalks are laid with cement, or the streets are paved with a coat of paving, the streets and sidewalks are smooth and level and very comfortable. However, Douglas has several miles of fine cement sidewalks and paved streets. The street paving consists of a preparation of slag which makes a very fine paving and very durable, yet not very expensive. Douglas has an up-to-date sewer system which has been built amply large for a big city.

Beautiful Trees

Although but six years old, Douglas boasts of thousands of beautiful trees and lawns, and a very pretty park. Everything in the city has been built with an idea of permanence and an eye to beauty.

Big Pay Roll

Douglas boasts of a monthly payroll of about \$250,000, which is the main support to the city. This payroll is from the great smelters, the railroad and the manufacturing plants. This feature is the one which strikes the stranger most forcibly; another is the fact that a very large percentage of the people own their own homes.

Investments Profitable

Investments which have been made in Douglas have proven very profitable; in fact, exceedingly profitable. Much eastern and foreign capital has been invested in



TENTH STREET, LOOKING EAST



DOUGLAS-PIRTLE BUILDING

Douglas and much more is on the way. A few thousand dollars worth of school bonds, bearing six per cent interest, sold in Douglas during May, 1908, during the hard times all over the country, at \$1.06 on the dollar. These were bought by a Chicago firm.

Low Tax Rate

The assessed valuation of the city of Douglas, inside of the corporation limits, is \$2,700,000, and the assessed valuation of the school district, including the smelters and manufacturing plants, is about \$5,000,000. The assessed valuation is made on a basis of 60 per cent of the total valuation, making the real valuation of all the property within the city \$4,500,000 and the total valuation inside of the school district \$8,300,000. The tax levy for county and territorial tax, in Cochise county, is two cents on the dollar, and within the city limits, the tax is six mills, making a total tax in Douglas of 2.6 cents on the dollar of assessed valuation, and outside of the corporation limits two cents on the dollar. Cochise county has no bonded indebtedness and the city of Douglas has a bonded indebtedness of only \$75,000, which bonds were issued for the sewer system.

Interesting to Investors

These figures are extremely interesting to the investor. There is nothing so important to the person desiring to buy real estate, or make loans on real estate, as low valuations and low taxes, and yet plenty of money on hand to run the city and county government in first-class shape.

Real Estate Cheap

Real estate in Douglas is cheap; that is, it is cheap in accordance with the percentage of profit to be had. Rents are high according to the valuation of the property, yet house rent and business property is not high. During the money stringency of 1908 rents and valuations in Douglas were maintained with slight increase. Building never stopped, although during the first half of 1908 build-

ing activity was not so great as for the three or four years previous. Vacant lots inside of the business district are reasonable, while the lots in the residence part of the city are cheap. Lots in the suburbs are very cheap, most of them being sold on the installment plan, so that a man earning a salary can pay for his lot or his home. Building and loan associations do a good business in Douglas with the result that there are a very large number of home owners. The street car lines have been extended into the outskirts of the city, so that outlying lots are very desirable both for building purposes and for speculation.

Living Expenses Not High

Living expenses in Douglas are higher than in eastern cities on account of higher freight rates, but living expenses in Douglas are much lower than in most cities of the country. On the other hand, wages and salaries are much higher in Douglas than in other cities in the West, and probably twice as high as in the Eastern cities. On account of the mild climate, even temperature, not so expensive nor so much clothing is required as other places. This feature of the country also means a very large saving in the living expenses, in that the fuel bill is reduced to a minimum.

Delightful Climate

From a climatic standpoint, there is no country so healthful as Arizona. Every bit of the entire territory is very healthful and no part of it is any more healthful than Douglas; located on a high, dry prairie with almost perpetual sunshine, warm days and cool nights. The country roads and drives are broad and level and most desirable for riding, driving or automobiling. There are over sixty automobiles owned and used in Douglas. It is also the haven for the bicyclist, and hundreds of bicycles are used every day.

Ranch Homes

To the person who would rather live in the country close to the city, who would prefer to live in the country and transact his business in town, Douglas offers a fine opportunity, because the country immediately surrounding Douglas is level and fertile, and with good roads one can



DOUGLAS COUNTRY CLUB

live four, six or ten miles in the country and drive into the city every morning and back in the evening, with but little difficulty. A part of the land around close to the city has already been taken up in homesteads, but there are fine locations yet to be had close to the city, by simply filing on them, and there are exemptions to be bought very cheaply. Many of these ranch homes are delightful. Pure water can be had at a moderate depth and with a little irrigation all kinds of agricultural products can be raised. In fact, under the science of dry land farming many good crops are being raised without irrigation.

Development of Agriculture

With the coming development of the agricultural resources of the land laying contiguous to Douglas and with the industrial development within the city, investments made in Douglas now cannot help but be exceedingly remunerative. Almost any investment will double itself within a very short time.

Stability of Investments

A word as to the stability of investments in Douglas and the surrounding territory. What more can a man with small wealth ask, in line of stability of investment than the judgment of men of large experience and wealth? The Phelps, Dodge & Company, who own the Copper Queen Consolidated Mining Company and the E. P. & S. W. R. R.; the owners of the Calumet & Arizona Mining Company, all of whom are wealthy men; owners and stockholders in the Southern Pacific Railroad, and many other wealthy men are making, and have made, extensive investments in Douglas and are backing their belief with their money. The fact that the Southern Pacific railroad intends to make Douglas the principal gateway to Mexico is, in itself, security for investment. The fact that the Phelps, Dodge & Company people have signified their intention to make Douglas a city, and have made great and permanent investments in the city, and have taken a lively interest in the welfare of the city, is abundant assurance that investments made in Douglas are sure to be profitable.

Other Possessions

In addition to the possessions of Douglas mentioned above, there are not to be overlooked the following: The Gadsden hotel, the best hotel in the West, costing over \$250,000; two strong banks, the Bank of Douglas and the First National Bank; fifteen fine business blocks; two daily newspapers; beautiful Country Club; large Y. M. C. A. Club and building; brewery; cement plaster plant; several good hotels; one large wholesale house; several large dry goods and clothing houses as well as large groceries, meat markets, notion stores, drug stores, implement houses, steam laundries, and practically every other kind of business house.

ANNUAL RAIN FALL IN SULPHUR SPRINGS VALLEY IN INCHES

	YEAR	JAN.	FEB	MAR.	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	TOTAL
Douglas	1908	.50	.80	.40	.08	.13	.03	3.86						
Willcox	"				.24	.00	.00	4.00						
Douglas	1907	1.94	.37	.37	.21	.99	.00	2.66	3.72	1.50	.63	2.41	.00	14.80
Willcox	"	2.72	.86	.00	.55	1.00	.05	3.39	3.60	.53	2.24	.00	.00	14.94
Douglas	1906	.32	1.07	.90	.15	.00	.23	1.72	4.80	.89	.31	.37	2.36	13.12
Willcox	"	.78	1.25	.59	.25	.00	.00	2.50	7.76	.00	.00	.73	4.07	17.93
Douglas	1905	.80	2.69	2.75	1.91	.00	1.25	1.74	3.27	1.86	1.00	2.73	.70	20.70
Willcox	"	2.56	3.91	5.00	1.41	.00	.77	1.34	1.89	1.58	.37	3.63	1.06	23.52

MAXIMUM AND MINIMUM TEMPERATURE AT DOUGLAS

Maximum	1908	72	81	89	92	95	105							
Minimum	"	20	19	27	33	35	42							
Maximum	1907	73	79	94	92	96	106	108	100	99	91	81	73	
Minimum	"	22	27	23	32	38	44	59	56	37	38	26	18	
Maximum	1906	76	79	81	89	95	105	104	95	97	91	86	75	
Minimum	"	11	29	25	33	36	47	53	54	48	23	18	25	
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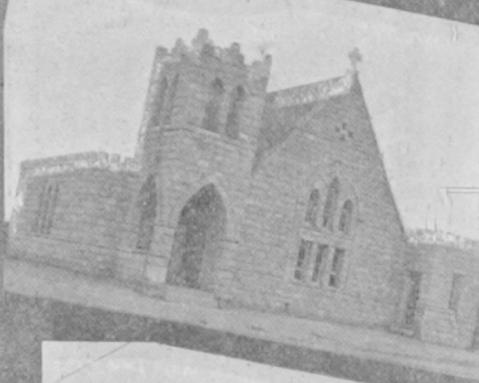
CHURCHES OF
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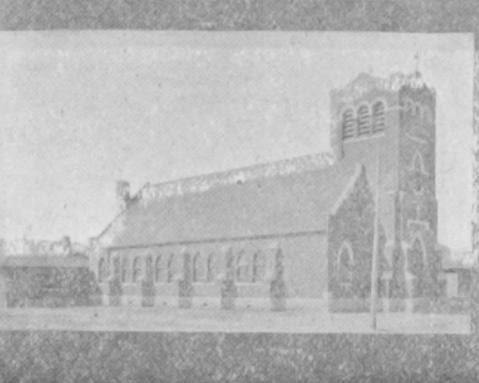
First Baptist



Grace Methodist



First Presbyterian



Church of the
Immaculate Concep-
tion, Catholic

DOUGLAS THE HEART OF THE MINING INDUSTRY

From time immemorial men from all walks of life have been fascinated with mining. The element of uncertainty, the elusive dollar, the visions of untold wealth, and the actual obtaining, by some, of great wealth have created great interest in mining.

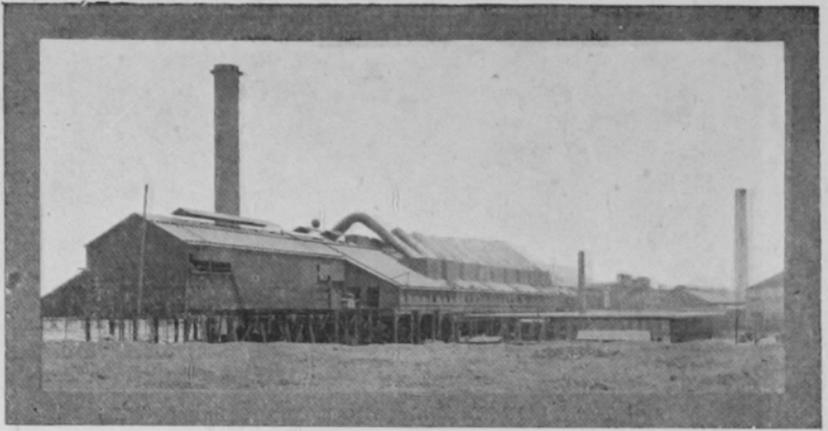
For years and years the murderous redskins and the notorious bad man roamed over Arizona and Sonora, Mexico, many time pitching their camps on the very top of piles and piles of gold, silver, copper and other valuable minerals, and not until civilization conquered, completely, was it revealed to the white man that Southeastern Arizona and the northwestern corner of the Republic of Mexico is the richest mineralized country in the known world.

Arizona Rich in Minerals

Colorado, Nevada, Montana, Michigan and Alaska have had their boom days, have made many and broke thousands, and have been heralded by the newspapers as the mecca of the rich man. In the meantime Arizona has been steadily forging her way to the front. Little, in comparison, has been said regarding the hidden wealth of Arizona and Sonora, yet prospectors have dug out the real stuff, rich men have bought the prospects, have opened up great mines, have built immense smelters where the minerals have been extracted from the rich ores, and, all in all, development has revealed that the mountains in the lower end of the Rocky Mountain range are laden with the richest of ore bearing rock. Why this should be, or why it is, must be left to the Maker of the Universe.

Rich Districts Surrounding Douglas

A few miles to the west of Douglas is the great Warren District, at Bisbee, which is the richest district in copper in the world. Millions and millions of copper, gold and silver have been dug out of the Mule Mountains at Bisbee and manufactured in the smelters at Douglas. The great operators in this district are: Phelps, Dodge & Co., the Copper Queen people, of New York, and the Calumet & Arizona and Shattuck people, of Michigan and Minnesota, and many others who have made fortunes. To the south and west of Douglas are the famous Cananea mines, where Col. Greene made his stake. To the north and west are the noted mines around Tombstone, and to the south, in Mexico, near Douglas, are the great mines of the Moctezuma Copper Company and the El Tigre Mining Company.



FURNACE BUILDING, COPPER QUEEN SMELTER

Millions More in Sight

Nor is it to be assumed that this is all. Great mining men make the plain statement that these great mines are but just started. The truth of their statements is proven by the fact that today more and richer ore is being taken out than ever before. In addition to this hundreds of other prospects are showing up rich in all kinds of valuable ore. The mountains to the east and south of Douglas are being prospected with the result that in the no distant future great mines will likely be developed.

Rich Sonora

Sonora is the northwestern state of the Republic of Mexico. For the most part it is exceedingly mountainous, very rough and hard to travel. The portion of that state lying directly south of Douglas, from fifty to three hundred miles, all of which is very rough, is simply "lousy" with minerals. Experienced and conservative mining engineers who have traveled all over that district by burro make the same unqualified statement that the mountains and hills are literally filled with minerals of all kinds—gold, silver, copper, iron, zinc, lead and every other kind of known mineral. Some of these have been worked a little but thousands of rich claims have not been worked simply because transportation facilities are not obtainable. With burro transportation only the very richest prospects can be worked and then only in a small way. Hundreds of Americans now own lots of these rich mines, but are letting them lie idle, waiting for transportation facilities.

Railroad Being Built

Phelps, Dodge & Co. already have a railroad built from Douglas south into Sonora to Nacozari, 75 miles distant, to their great Moctezuma mine, but the Southern Pacific Railroad is building south from Nacozari just as fast as a railroad can be built, right through the center of this rich mining district. This road will connect Douglas, by rail, with all of that territory and within a short time great wealth will be rolling out of these mountains. While many rich mines have been discovered in this district, yet there are thousands and thousands to be discovered and developed by American capital.



Residence of
H. E. DUGAN



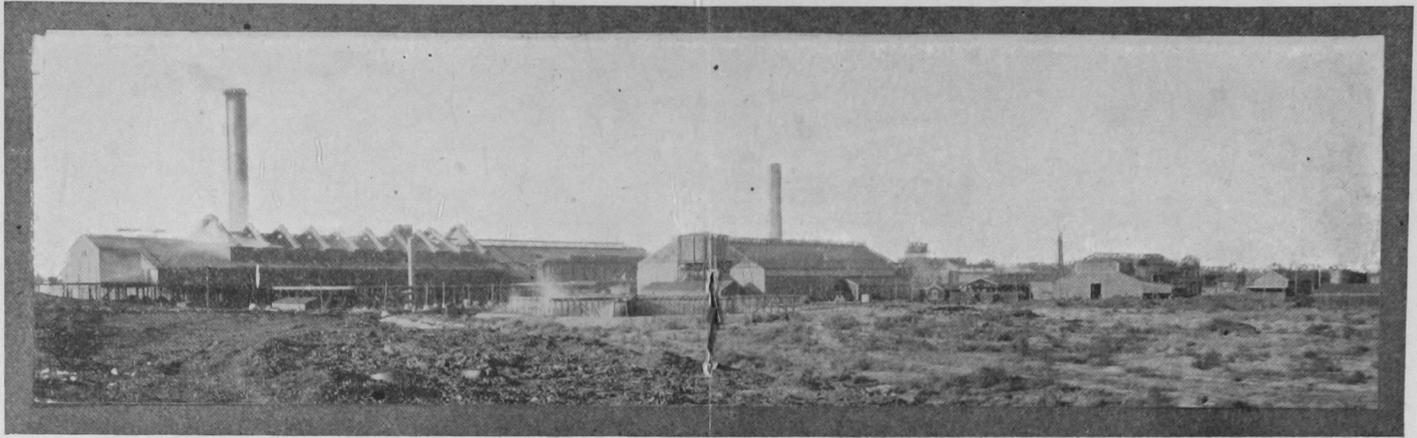
Residence of
C. A. OVERLOCK



Residence of
M. F. TORPEY



Residence of
S. F. MEGUIRE



COPPER QUEEN SMELTER

Douglas the Supply Point

All of this territory is directly tributary to Douglas and will look to Douglas to supply it with all kinds of supplies. American goods are in great demand and for this district they must pass through Douglas or be manufactured in Douglas. It will always be the port of export and import to Mexico.

Douglas a Home City

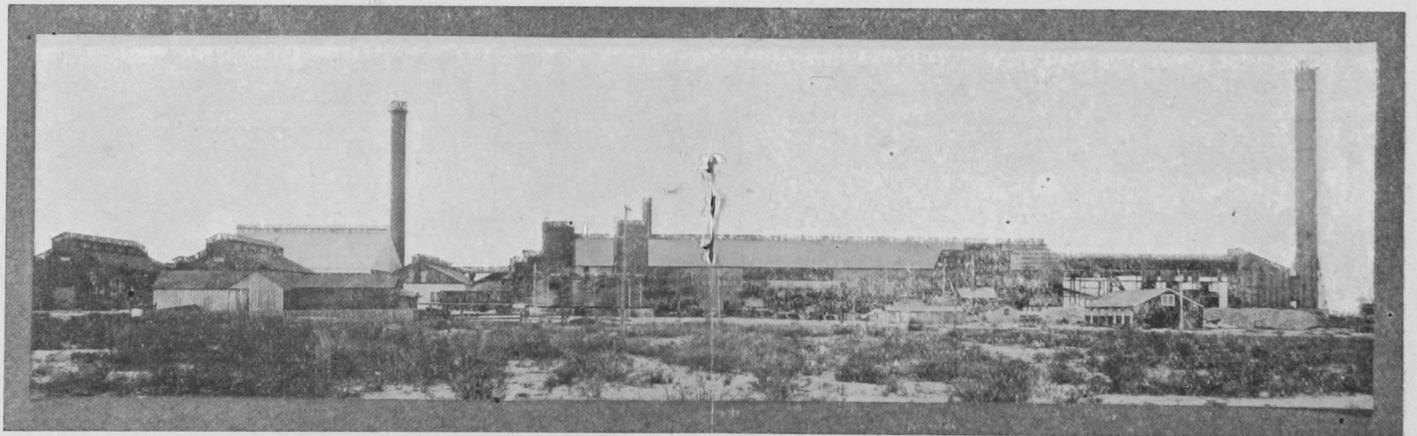
Douglas being a beautiful city, with broad streets, pretty lawns and trees, lovely homes and substantial business houses will always be considered home to those operating mines in Sonora. Douglas has the best hotel, the Hotel Gadsden, and the best hotel accommodations in the entire Southwest and is able to accommodate mining men with all of the luxuries of an Eastern city.

Delightful Winter Climate

In addition to this the climate of Douglas and the great Sulphur Springs valley is not excelled on the American Continent. Particularly during the winter months the climate is delightful. The sun shines all day every day nearly. There is very little rain and scarcely any snow, and the air, at all times, is clear and bracing. The roads all around the country are smooth and hard, so that automobiling and driving is a pleasure.

Mining Bureau

The Douglas Chamber of Commerce and Mines, which has been recently organized, has for one of its principal objects the development of the mining industry. One of its principal functions is to be able to report on the merits of various mines and mining prospects in the territory, including Southern Arizona and Sonora, Mexico, and to give out reliable information to the intending purchaser of mining property. Letters addressed to the Secretary will bring prompt and reliable information.



CALUMET & ARIZONA SMELTER



A FARM IN SULPHUR SPRINGS VALLEY

SULPHUR SPRINGS VALLEY THE FARMERS' OPPORTUNITY

The Sulphur Springs Valley, surrounding Douglas, has possibilities in agriculture which are but little appreciated by the outside world today, but, in the near future, it is destined to become one of the big money producers of Arizona. From time immemorial this rich valley has laid practically dormant, gathering each year the rich mineral chemical fertilizers from the surrounding mountains that are known to be the most richly mineralized in the world. The wash from the mountains is heavily laden with fertilizers. For thousands of years this rich valley has been covered with a rich coating of grass which has attracted to it thousands and thousands of cattle. For years it has been one of the best grazing fields in the southwest, and for that reason it is destined to become one of the rich agricultural fields in the country. Kansas, Colorado and Oklahoma were once the home of the cowman; today it is probably the most productive corn, wheat and oats land in the world. Later the cowman made his stand on the great Panhandle of Texas, but within the past few years, and particularly the past year, he has been pushed out and the claim house has been built on every quarter section and the plow has taken the place of the branding iron and the cow ponies have been harnessed and hitched to the plow, wagon and other implements of agriculture.

Rush of Homeseekers Coming

Civilization is pushing westward and by next winter it is destined to hit Eastern Arizona with a rush of homeseekers never before thought of. The homeless must find homes and the government has made it possible for them to do so, so long as there is public lands to be given away. The old faded argument that the land is dry is the same argument which has been used for over a hundred years in this Western country, starting in with the Missouri River. As civilization and the cultivation of the land advances the rainfall increases. Nor is it to be expected that the first settlers will all make a fortune. Some of them will and some of them won't. The next bunch of settlers will

also part stay and then will come the real stayers. The Sulphur Springs Valley has had the first two and is now ready for the third crop—the stayers.

Artesian Water a Possibility

At present this valley is dry so far as the surface of the ground is concerned, but underneath the surface there is an underground stream many feet in depth. Wells have been sunk for over 600 feet and still in water gravel. There is no doubt whatever in the minds of those experienced in the business but that the entire valley is underlaid with an artesian lake of water. Every surface indication is present and there is no doubt but that within a very short time great artesian wells will be throwing millions of gallons of beautiful clear artesian water on the rich soil, and then will follow thousands and thousands of acres of corn, wheat, barley, oats, garden truck, apple, peach pear, and other orchards, besides hundreds of acres of vineyards and strawberries.

Fine Fruit and Vegetables

It has been demonstrated that grapes and strawberries produce wonderfully in this valley. Those who have raised a few grape vines state that they never saw such growth of grapes and such flavor as the grapes of the Sulphur Springs Valley. Nor is this unreasonable on account of the rich sunshine which produces sugar in the grape and the sugar produces the alcohol in the wine to be manufactured from the grape. It is also for this reason that the strawberry produced in the Sulphur Springs Valley is the richest in point of flavor of any district in the country. Likewise, there is no reason why the famous sugar beet should not have its home in this same valley. Rich, hot sunshine, with enough moisture to produce a healthy growth, produces the percentage of sugar to make the raising of the sugar beet which makes the money grow in the farmer's pocket.



G AVENUE, LOOKING SOUTH



DOUGLAS YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION BUILDING

Pumping Plants Profitable

On the other hand, even though the artesian water is not available to all parts of the valley, there is an abundance of surface water which can be had by pumping. The great wells at the smelters at Douglas have attached to them strong pumps and these pumps have never been able to reduce the supply of water, or to even lower the water in the pipes. From a pumping standpoint the farmer can make untold wealth.

Dry Land Farming a Success

However, from a dry land farming standpoint, a condition which is well known and a condition which is present, there is great wealth for the farmer. Experiments which have already been made demonstrate that fine crops can be produced by the science of dry land farming. The rainfall in the Sulphur Springs Valley is enough, one year with another, to produce good crops and has produced good crops wherever it has been tried with any degree of effort. It is true some have made a failure, but a close observation, in nearly every case, shows that the experimenter did not know his business still more, did not try to know his business: Great things cannot be accomplished without an effort and not every farmer, under the most favorable



BANK OF DOUGLAS



RESIDENCE OF S. W. FRENCH

circumstances, can, or does make a success, and it is not expected that all will make a great success. However, the fact that practically everyone who is expending the proper effort is making a success is proof of the rule that success can be made and will be made.

An Immense Valley

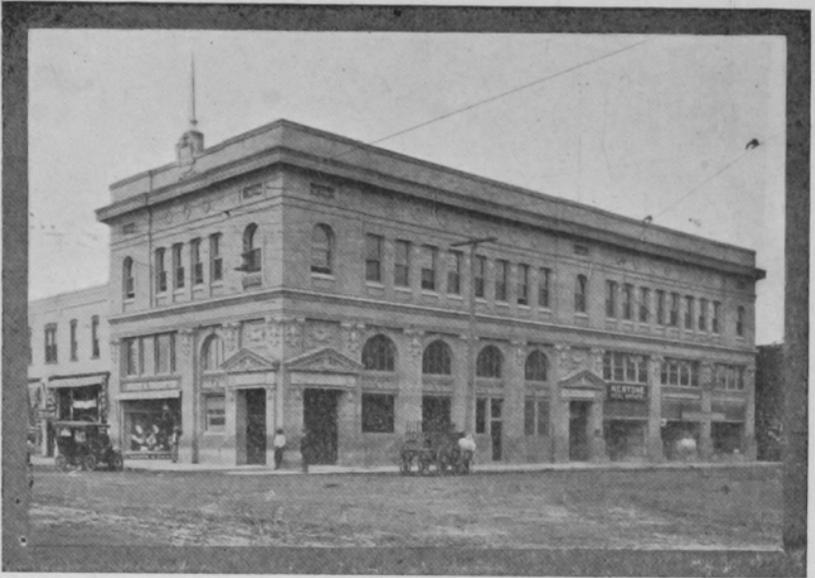
The Sulphur Springs valley is one of the largest valleys in the entire Southwest. It embraces over 800,000 acres of cultivable land and not over 90,000 acres of it has yet been homesteaded, although filings are being made very rapidly. There is plenty of room. Of the claims which have been made only a small portion of the very best land has been taken up. Of course, there are claims which have better land than others, but practically the entire valley is extra good land. The valley is almost perfectly level. The difference in elevation from Douglas to Willcox, about fifty miles, is 183 feet, and from side to side of the valley there is scarcely any difference in the elevation. A farmer can have a farm of a quarter section, or forty quarter sections, and the difference in the elevation between the highest and lowest foot of his farm will not exceed five feet.

Best Market in the Country

A point not to be overlooked in discussing the possibilities of the Sulphur Springs Valley in an agricultural way, and, in fact, the most important, is the market for the products of the farmer. At no place in the entire



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country can such good markets be found as right in the Sulphur Springs valley. And why? Because the entire valley is surrounded by the most richly mineralized zone in the known world and some of the greatest mining camps or cities are to be found surrounding this rich valley. While these rich mines have been worked, some of them for several years, yet great mining men declare the mines are yet in their infancy, and the future of these mines cannot be foretold. As the farming business develops, likewise the mining business will be developed. In fact, there will never be a time when the Sulphur Springs Valley will be able to supply the home demand for products from the farms, gardens and orchards. This matter is of the utmost importance, because the trouble with all agricultural sections is to find a market where the transportation rates do not eat up all of the profits. In the Sulphur Springs Valley the transportation rates will not matter much, because if the transportation companies do not care to put in freight rates low enough to market the products, the farmers have the alternative of hauling their products direct to the consumers by wagon. The public roads of the valley are as level as a floor and the soil packs into a very fine road, so that the farmer can haul his products to the consumers with not a great amount of trouble. This is apparent, because, while Douglas will always be the large city and the capital of this great valley, nevertheless, the mining cities, where there will always be great consumption of all food products for man and beast, are located all around the valley and it will not be necessary to depend upon any one city or town for a sole market.

Other Valleys After the Trade

The great valleys of the Gila River and Salt River, in Arizona, and the Rio Grande Valley, New Mexico, have succeeded in getting the United States Government to build them great storage dams in which they expect to store water for irrigating their valleys and they send out their

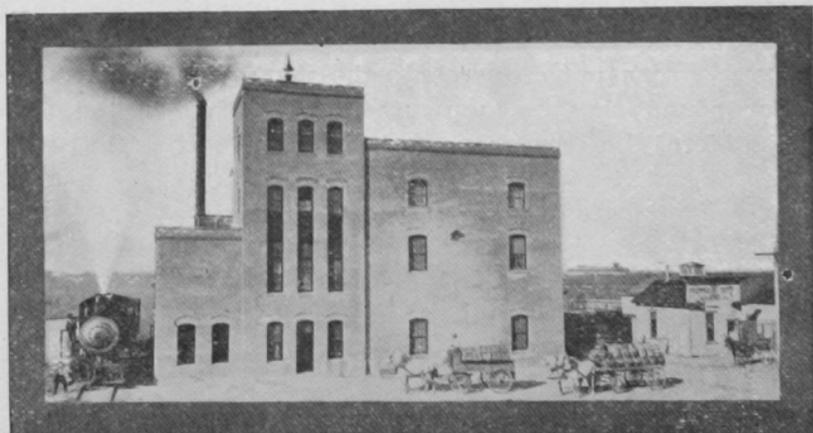
literature all over the country, stating that their markets for their products which they will raise is the mining camps of Arizona, the chief camps being located in Cochise county, surrounding the Sulphur Springs Valley. Any way, should it be necessary to ship food stuffs into the camps when the same products can be raised within a mile or two of the camps? The Creator of the Universe always seems to have worked things out for the great benefit of each locality and it would not seem plausible that great lodes of rich ore and minerals should have been deposited in Cochise County, Arizona, which would require thousands of men to dig out and manufacture for the use of mankind, without providing also a place where the necessities of life could not be had in close proximity of where the work must be done. This provision has been made and it is simply up to the people to take advantage of what the Lord has given them.

Freight Rates a Protection

Freight rates from other valleys and agricultural producing centers will always be high, therefore, the farmer of the Sulphur Springs Valley will forever have a protection in the marketing of his products at a profitable figure.

Money Already in the Valley

The great trouble with many localities, and particularly with districts in the West, is to get the wealth invested which will be able to buy the farm products. This contingency has been provided in the Sulphur Springs Valley. Last year Douglas alone manufactured fifteen per cent of the copper produced in the whole world. Douglas alone produced approximately \$30,000,000 worth of minerals, copper, gold and silver. That is, that much was manufactured in the smelters at Douglas and the ores were dug out of the mountains surrounding the Sulphur Springs Valley. Nor is that all, for there are several other mines in the country which do not send their ores to the smelter at Douglas. Nearly all of this money was spent in this district; in fact, all excepting a part of the net profits. Therefore, there is no question whatever about the money



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FOR FLEET DAY EXERCISES

being in the district and about the money coming into the district. The only thing left to do is to keep the money in the valley which is already brought into the valley. Millions of dollars are sent out of the valley every year for food stuffs from California and other quarters of the country. Of course, manufacturers of dry goods, etc., get some of this money, but the day is not far distant when great manufacturers will locate in the valley because the money is in the valley, and, like the farmer, the manufacturer wants to locate where the money is.

Mining Permanent

The general reputation of a mining camp, as generally understood by the great masses of the people in general, is that the camp is uncertain. Of course, this has been the history of some of the small camps, but the great mining city of Bisbee, Arizona, with its manufacturing companion, Douglas, where the ore is manufactured, are as stable as any cities in the world. In this district are located great investments which must always remain and no condition or disaster which might befall the country can make this district eventually go bankrupt. Its base in the mining way is copper, and there will always be a demand for copper, and so long as copper is manufactured, so long will this district be running, because copper from this district, from the great mines in the Warren district, and smelted in Douglas, can be manufactured and put on the market cheaper than in any district in the world. Douglas can put copper onto the market nearly two cents per pound cheaper than any other district in the world, therefore, the permanency of the district is fixed.

Wealth For the Asking

These conditions settled, the farmer has his opportunity which is get busy, and get busy quick. The first homesteaders will have the choice of claims and the last, the tail-enders, but there is no danger of running out very soon, because there are thousands of claims open to every reputable American citizen. There are no strings to

them, simply take up the claims and live on them for five years and the government will make the claimant a present of the claim of 160 acres, or on the other hand, if the claimant desires to get a deed sooner, he can live on the land for fourteen months, and by paying to the government \$1.25 per acre, he can get a patent to the land. To the homesteader who takes up land now there will be great opportunities, because within a very few years every foot of land will be valuable, probably from \$25 to \$100 per acre. The first artesian well struck in the valley will raise the price of land over the entire valley \$10 per acre and then there will be a rush of homeseekers and some of them will not get claims. A railroad is to be built north from Douglas through the center of the valley connecting with the Southern Pacific railroad at Pierce. This railroad will be built within a year or so, and then the claims along close to this railroad will be valuable. Townsites will be taken up and towns built and then all of the claims close to these towns will be valuable. There is absolutely no reason why a claim in the Sulphur Springs Valley should not be a fine investment, especially when the investment can be gotten so cheaply.

Chamber of Commerce to Help Farmers

The Douglas Chamber of Commerce and Mines which has been formed recently, has for one of its objects the development of this wonderful valley, and is giving a great deal of attention to developing the resources of the valley. Already it has brought in experts to examine the soil and they have stated that the soil is exceedingly rich and when cultivated will be very productive. The Chamber of Commerce has organized within its committees a committee on agriculture, which committee has constituted itself into an agricultural board, which will carry on experiments, distribute advertising and do everything possible to promote the business. One of the principal duties is to answer inquiries to persons interested and to do anything possible to get out the prospective settlers.



DOUGLAS HOSE TEAM READY FOR START OFF JULY 4TH, 1908, WHEN THEY WON A \$500 PURSE



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DOUGLAS A REMARKABLE CITY, AND WHY

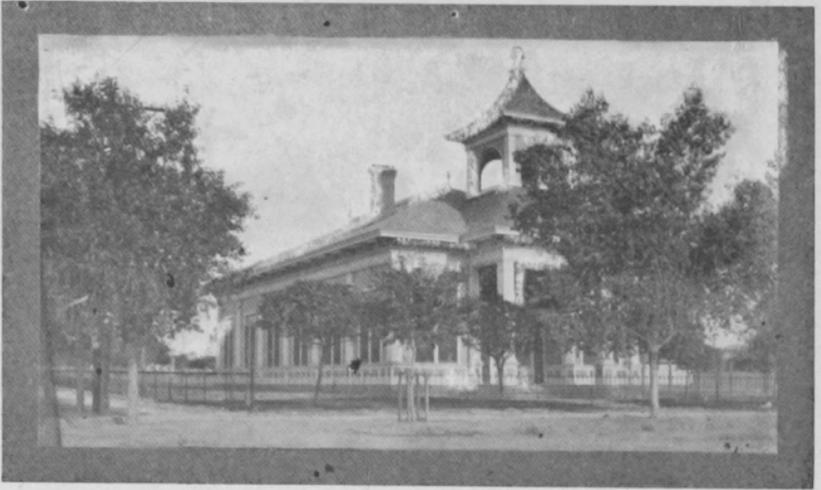
The history of cities over the world shows that but few have been laid out by the original settlers with a view of making a city, and that city develop within the miraculous period of six years, from nothing, to a city of over twelve thousand people; with the finest hotel within a distance of thousands of miles, with fifteen miles of stone sidewalk, with miles of paved and graded streets, with a modern electric street car line, with blocks and blocks of fine stone and brick business houses, miles of pretty homes; in fact with everything that is strictly modern and up-to-date. All of the larger cities of this country have grown from mere hamlets, the founders of which never expected anything but a mere trading post and postoffice.

A Seven Years' Wonder

Douglas, Arizona, the Smelter City; the seven years wonder of the great Southwest, stands today the peer of all other cities in its modern growth, enthusiastic and enterprising people and great prospects for the future. The man who gave instructions for the city to be laid out, stated at the time: "This will, some day, be a big city, and if it is named after me, I will promise that it will be one of the best cities in the country." That man was Dr. James Douglas, practically the founder of mining on a large scale in Arizona, the developer of the greatest mining district in the known world, and today head of the great Phelps-Dodge & Company interests in New York. He knew what he was talking about as regards the great future of the city of Douglas, and he was in position to make good, and he is making good. Douglas is today ahead of anything in its class and will remain ahead until it will eventually become the greatest and most influential city of the great Southwest.

The Great Southwest

The section of the United States which is today attracting the undivided attention of the world is the territory known as the Great Southwest; Arizona, New Mexico, Southern California, Western Texas, Colorado and Nevada. This section of the world is made up of a population absolutely cosmopolitan. It numbers among its inhabitants people from every part of the globe. It is that land of freedom to which all are welcomed, and in



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which each has an equal chance to get his share of this world's goods. It guarantees to everyone a delightfully clear, pure atmosphere, found nowhere else in the world in such large dimensions, on such a grand scale and so free. The expansiveness of this great country cannot be imagined to one who has never tasted of its enchantments. For thousands of miles the sky is blue and the sun shines all the day, every day. This grandeur, this bigness, this freedom, simply enchants the dweller within its broad confines and he partakes of the influence surrounding him. Everyone is big-hearted, free and untrammelled. This enrapture is his life, and like the horse raised on the open range, when he leaves, turn him loose and he will return.

Will Never Leave Arizona

It is said that a horse raised on the open ranges of the great Southwest never gets so old, never becomes so domesticated, but that when allowed to get loose in the spring of the year, will not return to the old open range. Likewise, after a man has lived in the great Southwest, particularly under the sunny skies of Arizona, drank of its ozone, felt within himself that thrilling enrapture of perfect freedom, he is dissatisfied to live elsewhere. Those who live in Arizona and who do not believe this statement have but to return to their old homes and wait for results. If allowed their freedom, if turned loose, they will find their way back to the Southwest. "Back to Arizona for me," is the slogan of those so unfortunate as to be called away.

Geographical Location

Douglas is located 207 miles east and south of Phoenix, 126 miles from Tucson, 626 miles east of Los Angeles, 217 miles west of El Paso, 75 miles north of Nacozari, Mexico, and only 318 miles north and east of Guaymas, Mexico, destined to become one of the great ports of the Pacific Coast. It is centrally located and surrounded by rich territory. In agriculture, Douglas is

still in its wee small infancy. It is the capital and nearly the center of the great Sulphur Springs Valley, one of the great valleys of the great Southwest. True, the valley is generally what is termed a dry valley; that is to say, there is no running stream of water in it, yet at the same time, under the science of dry farming, which is now coming to be the popular farming in the Southwest, this entire domain will soon be a rich and productive agricultural section. The valley is about 150 miles long and from fifteen to thirty miles wide. Thus it will give homes to thousands of prosperous people. From a standpoint of natural attractions it is a very beautiful valley, level as a floor, extending from mountain to mountain, the mountains seemingly rising directly from the level prairies. Only within the last year has anyone tried to raise anything in the agricultural line in this valley, under the science of dry farming, and the results are more than gratifying. In certain places in the valley there are to be found artesian wells and it is believed that if wells are put down to the proper depth any place in the valley it will eventually be no trouble to find artesian water any place within the great Sulphur Springs Valley. Many homeseekers are coming into the valley every few days and the land is being taken up very fast. Within a few years this entire valley will have a family living on every quarter section. The Southern Pacific railroad has projected a line from Douglas north to Pearce, which is the terminus of a branch from the main line of that road. It is but forty miles from Douglas to Pearce and the ground is perfectly level, so that railroad construction will be a matter of little cost. As soon as this valley is built up the line will be built and developments will come rapidly.

Rich Mineral Surroundings

In mineral wealth the district surrounding and contiguous to Douglas is undoubtedly the richest in the world. The great Bisbee mines are just to the west of Douglas,



G AVENUE ON A BUSY DAY

the Cananea mines to the south and west, the wonderful Moctezuma copper mines to the south, the El Tigre gold and silver mines to the east and south, the rich copper mines of Morenci, Clifton and Globe to the north and east. Thus, Douglas is the center of this great district. Anyone who knows anything about the mining business, and particularly the copper mining business, knows the wonderful production of these great camps. True, many of these camps have their own smelters, but the mining towns are tributary to Douglas and their trade is with Douglas. The greatest smelter of the district is located at Douglas, also the second greatest is in Douglas, with a third to be built within a year.

Why Douglas Was Founded

Its very desirable location is the reason why Douglas was laid out and built as it is and where it is. The great Copper Queen Consolidated Mining Company, owned by the wealthy corporation known as Phelps, Dodge & Company of New York, formerly had its smelter at Bisbee, but that city is not a desirable location for a smelter. The ground is rough, the water bad, and it is difficult of access for transportation. Douglas is located on the open prairie, twelve miles from the mountains on the west and eight miles from the mountains on the east, with the open prairie on the north and south as far as the eye can see. The entire distance between these mountains is as level as a floor and the water is fine. The Copper Queen smelter has a fine artesian well. The yardage is also level. As soon as the Copper Queen decided to locate in Douglas, the Calumet & Arizona Copper Company also decided to build their smelter at Douglas, and consequently bought land and built their plant alongside the Copper Queen. The C. & A. mines are also located in the Mule Mountains around Bisbee. The Shattuck people, who own large mines at Bisbee, are going to build a large smelter at Douglas some time during the year.

The Southern Pacific railroad is building into Douglas from the south as fast as it can be built, and by the end of the year Douglas will have connection with the Pacific Coast at Guaymas, which will be of great advantage to Douglas.

Douglas People Proud

For these reasons the enthusiastic and cosmopolitan people of Douglas are happy over the future of their infant, hustling, bustling city. Besides this, Douglas today possesses the finest hotel between New York and the Pacific Coast, and is in position to entertain the most fastidious with every known convenience, and those who have been so fortunate as to visit the Gadsden return. They tell their friends and they in turn come, and so on. It is the admiration of the easterner and the talk of the travelers from coast to coast.

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