

**MODERN CITY MAKING**

**GROWTH OF THE MOVEMENT FOR MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT.**

Various Organizations For the Improvement of the Surroundings of the City—Close Relation Between Beauty and Utility.

The organization in recent years of many societies, each working more or less independently along various lines leading to a more consistent, economical and beautiful development of our cities, towns and homes, has shown the growth of a pronounced public sentiment.

The movement for the improvement of the surroundings of the people as a whole began with a few village improvement associations, such as the Laurel Hill association of Stockbridge, Mass., organized in 1853. A few years later Mr. B. G. Northrop of Connecticut lectured upon village improvement and organized associations for this purpose throughout the eastern states. Such work, however, was scattered, each society working independently, with little knowledge of what others were doing along the same lines. About this time a movement for the improvement of land for public parks and reservations was started by the city of New York in the acquisition of Central park.

At various periods earnest and serious students were studying the problems of the growth of cities and towns, and there grew out of this such books as Shaw's "Municipal Government in Continental Europe" and more recently Robinson's "Improvement of Cities and Towns." The national organizations having for their object the study of the problems of the administration of cities began with the organization of the Social Science association, the Social Science Division of the American Association For the Advancement of Science and more recently the several municipal leagues that have been established to study and confer on special problems having to do with our municipalities.

All this study and effort have brought men, artists and men of affairs closer together and have led to a more general appreciation of the close relation between beauty and utility. Beauty is not now regarded by men of affairs as an esthetic consideration having no practical value, and mere ornamentation is not now regarded as an essential element of beauty. Men are coming to know that if an object is well proportioned and perfectly fitted for its use to which it is to be put it has the principal elements of beauty and that without these elements ornamentation will not correct its defects.

Growing out of this feeling and out of the study that has been given to these various problems and organizations have grown societies having for their principal purpose the preservation of beautiful objects in landscapes, in public and private buildings, greater consistency and economy and more beauty in the design of our towns and cities. One of the first organizations of this kind was the board of trustees for the preservation in Massachusetts.

Of national organizations there are the American Park and Outdoor Art Association, the League For Social Service, the General Federation of Women's Clubs, the National League of Improvement Associations and the National Association of New York.

In addition to the influence of such organizations which are made up of men and women having diverse interests and occupations who are ready to give freely of their time and resources for the public good, a very powerful influence is being exerted along the same line by such leagues of professional men as the American Institute of Architects and the many architectural clubs in different cities, engineering associations, the National Sculptural society and the American Society of Landscape Architects. The American Institute of Architects and the American Institute of Engineers are made up of many local clubs, which, acting through a central organization, exert great power for good. If all associations working with the same general objects in view could arrange for a joint meeting at which the leading spirits of those working along each line should become better acquainted and arrange there for a co-ordination of work and co-operation in its execution, a tremendous impetus would be given to the movements that they are interested in. Such a meeting would also result in a great saving of time and expense to those who would desire to attend the meeting of more than one association. This has already been accomplished by the various scientific associations who meet with the American Association For the Advancement of Science. With this exception and with the exception of the women's clubs, the strictly nonprofessional associations have not yet co-operated excepting locally, although the National Art Club of New York gives a common meeting place for individuals.

The American Park and Outdoor Art Association at its meeting in Milwaukee voted to hold its next meeting in Boston early in August, 1902, and to invite all organizations working along similar lines to send representatives to this meeting to confer with reference to a joint meeting.

Such a meeting will not alone accomplish the object for which the various earnest men and women who attend are working. The results of their deliberations and experiences must be placed before the public in such a simple, direct and forcible way as to attract the attention of every one, lead them to comprehend the purposes in view clearly and so interest them that they will act upon the suggestions thus presented upon their return home. It is only by educating the general public to the important results can be accom-

**OKLAHOMA ENERGY.**

St. Joseph Talks Yanks to Build a Town in the Territory.

The board of trade of Norman, Okla., is up and doing all the time. Here is an extract from a "write up" printed in the Kansas City Times. They spend money, but get it back.

The county seat of Cleveland county, Okla., and its largest city and largest market town is Norman, a city of 3,500 population, on the Santa Fe, and soon to be entered by the Cherokee Central from the northeast.

Six years ago Norman was a scattered and scant trading town, new and untried. Its natural advantages have gradually built it up to its present size, and new interests centering there recently are attracting widespread attention in a way that promises to lift Norman into prominence as the leading educational center of the territory and double its retail and commercial interests.

As the trading center of an area fifty miles across, all classes of retail business are represented, but trade expansion and closer settlement are constantly inviting new merchants to the town, and in every case they are doing well, as evidenced by broad business streets building up with fine business blocks. The advantages of Norman as a manufacturing point are just beginning to be appreciated, and cotton gins, oil wells, a flour mill, artificial ice plant and several other industries distribute a large wage roll monthly, and an active commercial club is going after new industries. Any new industry receives substantial encouragement from the organized business interests of Norman.

Norman owns its own waterworks system. A private lighting concern furnishes light to the city, but there is a fine opening there for capital in the way of an electric light franchise. The city is practically out of debt.

Few cities in the country can boast such school privileges as Norman enjoys. There are two fine public school buildings, with an enrollment of 1,128 and an average attendance of 709 scholars.

There is not a vacant house in Norman and no empty business rooms. New buildings are being put up this fall, and next year a very active building operation is in sight.

Residence property runs from \$25 to \$400 per lot and business property from \$300 to \$1,200 per lot and is beginning to experience a lively movement. Farm buyers from Iowa, Illinois, Ohio, Missouri and Kansas are coming in rapidly and getting farms as homes and as investments.

**SUBMERGED WITH ORDERS.**

Yet the Advertiser Had Small Faith in Newspaper Publicity.

An old fashioned lack of faith in the results to be obtained by advertising, though the doubter is paying out many dollars every month on advertising accounts, is not infrequent even in these enlightened days, says Profitable Advertising. A prosperous manufacturer recently got out an entirely new line of goods, and because of some lapse in his usual conversation the advertising man of the concern found a chance to use the papers of the country very freely in blazoning the merits of the new goods.

After a couple of months the manufacturer awoke to the recklessness of using so much newspaper space and made a move to cut it all out, remarking incidentally that he "couldn't understand at all how this new line of goods had taken so well, they were almost submerged with orders and yet nothing had really been done to bring it before the public." He didn't count the newspaper advertising as a factor in selling goods and could hardly be persuaded to give it the credit for a phenomenally good start off to his wares, even though by the law of exclusion there was no other way of accounting for it.

**Grew When Railroad Came.**

Berryville is the county seat of Carroll county, Ark., and its present population is something over 800. This figure represents an increase of more than 200 people in the last six months, a perfectly normal result of the infusion of energy occasioned by the introduction of a railroad into so resourceful a territory. The census of 1900 gave Berryville a population of 651. The difference represents something more than a mere per capita increase.

Enlarged business interests, new and substantial residences and many other notable improvements have marked the growth of Berryville in a manner unmistakably indicative of solid and lasting prosperity. The town has presented a clean cut, substantial appearance. Business blocks and houses alike are characteristic for an absence of that rickety, slatternly appearance so commonly apparent in agricultural centers.

**Our Libraries.**

There are at the present time 5,383 public, society and school libraries in the United States having 1,000 volumes or more. This is an increase of 1,357 libraries since the beginning of 1896. These 5,383 libraries contain no less than 44,501,851 books, an increase of more than 11,500,000 volumes in five years, or nearly thirty-five per cent. There is one library for every 14,118 inhabitants of the United States. In 1801 there were 41 volumes to every 100 of the population, while in 1900 it had grown to 59 volumes. The general libraries number 1,979; there are 1,725 school and 680 college libraries. That these institutions are largely patronized is shown by the fact that during the year ending July 1, 1901, 2,406 libraries issued for home use 48,410, 122 volumes.

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**NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.**

State of Illinois, ss. Estate of Henry County, DuPage County, Illinois, deceased. To Martha J. Farrar, Ad- vanced M. McKee, Luther C. Farrar, Walter E. Farrar, Archie C. Farrar, Edith E. Farrar, Judson Floyd Farrar, and I. Lynn Farrar, heirs and distributees of said estate.

You are hereby notified that on Monday, the 7th day of April, 1902, the executor of the said estate will present to the county court of DuPage county, at the court house in Wheaton, Illinois, his final report of his acts and doings as such executor and ask the court to be discharged from said estate and all duties and responsibilities connected with said estate and his administration thereof, at which time and place you may be present and resist such application, if you choose so to do.

ISRAEL P. BLODGETT, Executor.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.**

Estate of Charles Wheeler, deceased. The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Charles Wheeler, deceased, hereby gives notice that they will appear before the county court of DuPage county, at the court house in Wheaton at the May term, on the first Monday in May next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned. Dated this 27th day of February, A. D. 1902.

ORIN WHEELER  
WILLIAM COOPER  
Administrators.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.**

Estate of Angeline Ford, deceased. The undersigned having been appointed Administrator of the estate of Angeline Ford, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of DuPage county, at the court house in Wheaton, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned. Dated this 15th day of February, A. D. 1902.

FRANK A. FORD, Administrator.

GRAY & BUNER, Attorneys for Administrator.

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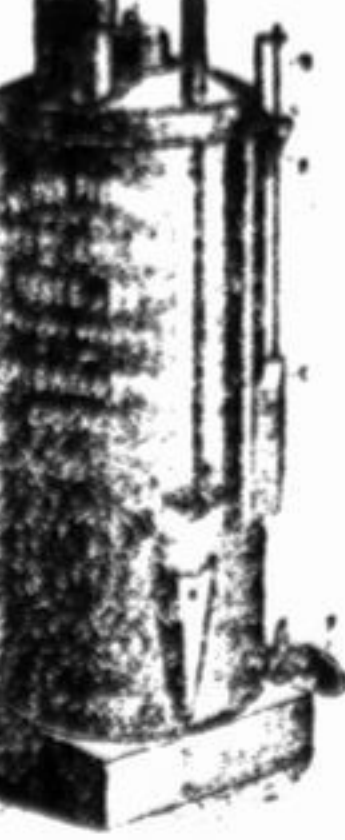
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