

*Twentieth
Century,*

Recollections

*The City of Homes,
Fruits and Flowers*

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Just for chance to recall a few pleasant
memories of your stay among us.
Walter and Fessie.

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What Redlands Is—



SITUATED 67 miles east of Los Angeles, California. The population as given by the Federal census of 1900, was 4,797. According to estimates made from the school census, figures from assessors and voters' registration lists, the population at the present writing is over 10,000. One thousand people per year have been added to the permanent population in the last five years.

In that time a new Redlands has been built. Improvements have been made to the value of \$1,000,000 per year, or \$5,000,000 since 1900. These improvements are in the form of everything that goes to make a beautiful city. The larger part of this sum has, of course, been expended in the building of homes, from the neat cottage of the laboring man, costing a few hundred dollars, to the palatial residence of the multi-millionaire, costing scores of thousands. Redlands is par excellence a city of homes. Nor have public improvements been neglected; miles upon miles of the finest street paving, artificial stone sidewalks and graded and oiled streets. Every street and avenue of any consequence is lined with shade trees. Patriotic citizens have in addition spent thousands of dollars in beautifying the city, and erecting handsome business blocks. It is to convey some idea of the growth of Redlands since the beginning of the twentieth century that this little album is issued. While illustrating but a tithe of improvements made, enough is shown to convey to the reader a good idea of what Redlands is today. It is one of the "show" places of California. No tourist misses seeing Redlands if he can possibly include it in his itinerary. Special excursions during the winter months bring hundreds of people weekly—travelers who have seen the whole world, and their testimony invariably is, that Redlands is one of the beauty spots of earth, missing which the tourist has lost much.

Redlands has been honored twice by visits from two Presidents. President McKinley was here formally welcomed to California, May 8, 1901. The route over which he was driven that day has ever since been known as "McKinley Drive." In commemoration of the visit of President McKinley and in honor of his memory, the citizens of Redlands caused to be erected in Smiley Park a handsome bronze bust of the late President. During his visit President McKinley said: "I don't wonder that the people of Redlands are proud of their city."

On the occasion of President Roosevelt's visit to the Pacific Coast in May, 1903, he chose Redlands as the place to meet the Governor and other officials of California. After the formal welcome he was taken over the same route as that over which President McKinley was driven. It was on this day, May 7, 1903, that the McKinley Memorial Bust was formally unveiled.

Marshall Field, of Chicago, said after a drive over Redlands: "We had a splendid drive; one taking it can have but one thing to say—that this is the most beautiful spot on earth."

Prof. Liberty H. Bailey, of Cornell, said when in Redlands: "I have twice visited Europe and am familiar with Germany, Switzerland, Sardinia and Italy, yet I have never looked upon so beautiful a city as Redlands."

Rev. Theodore L. Cuyler, D. D., said: "We have decided to give two weeks of our time to Redlands. It is one of the most fascinating spots in the Golden State."

Admiral Schley said: "In the line of my official duty I have visited most of the beauty spots of earth, but I have never been as near paradise as I have been this afternoon."

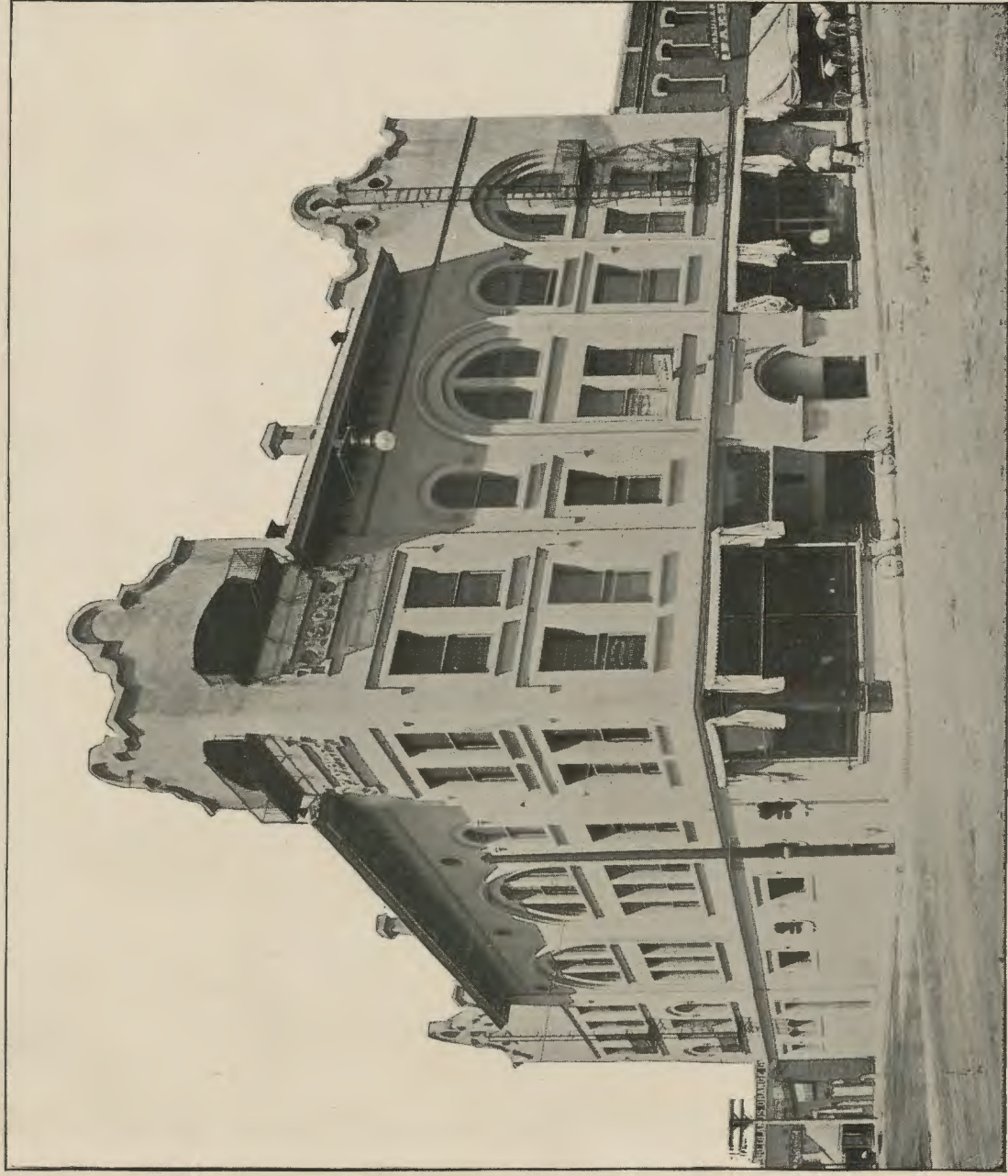
Dr. Lyman Abbott wrote in the Outlook: "For beauty and fertility I have never seen equaled the two drives we took."



Mt. San Bernardino



First Postoffice—1887



Postoffice Block



Residence and Grounds of E. C. Sterling



Residence of A. K. Smiley



Residence of the late A. H. Smiley



McKinley School



McKinley Memorial Bust

A. K. Smiley Public Library



Albert K. Smiley



Gigantic Climbing Roses—Residence of Mrs. Curtis Wells



Century Plant in Bloom



An Orange Orchard



Photo by J. W. Montee

Picking Oranges—Ranch of Gen. Burton



Residence of Henry Fisher



Patio in Henry Fisher Residence



View in Prospect Park



Residence of H. H. Ford



A Crafton Residence



View in Terracina Park



Residence of A. Hornby



McKinley Memorial Bust



Union High School



A View on The Heights

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Presbyterian Church

Y. M. C. A.



View on The Heights



Pepper Trees on The Terrace



View in Canyon Crest Park



Residence of Mrs. Jennie E. Davis



Navel Orange Tree—Ranch of B. T. Esler

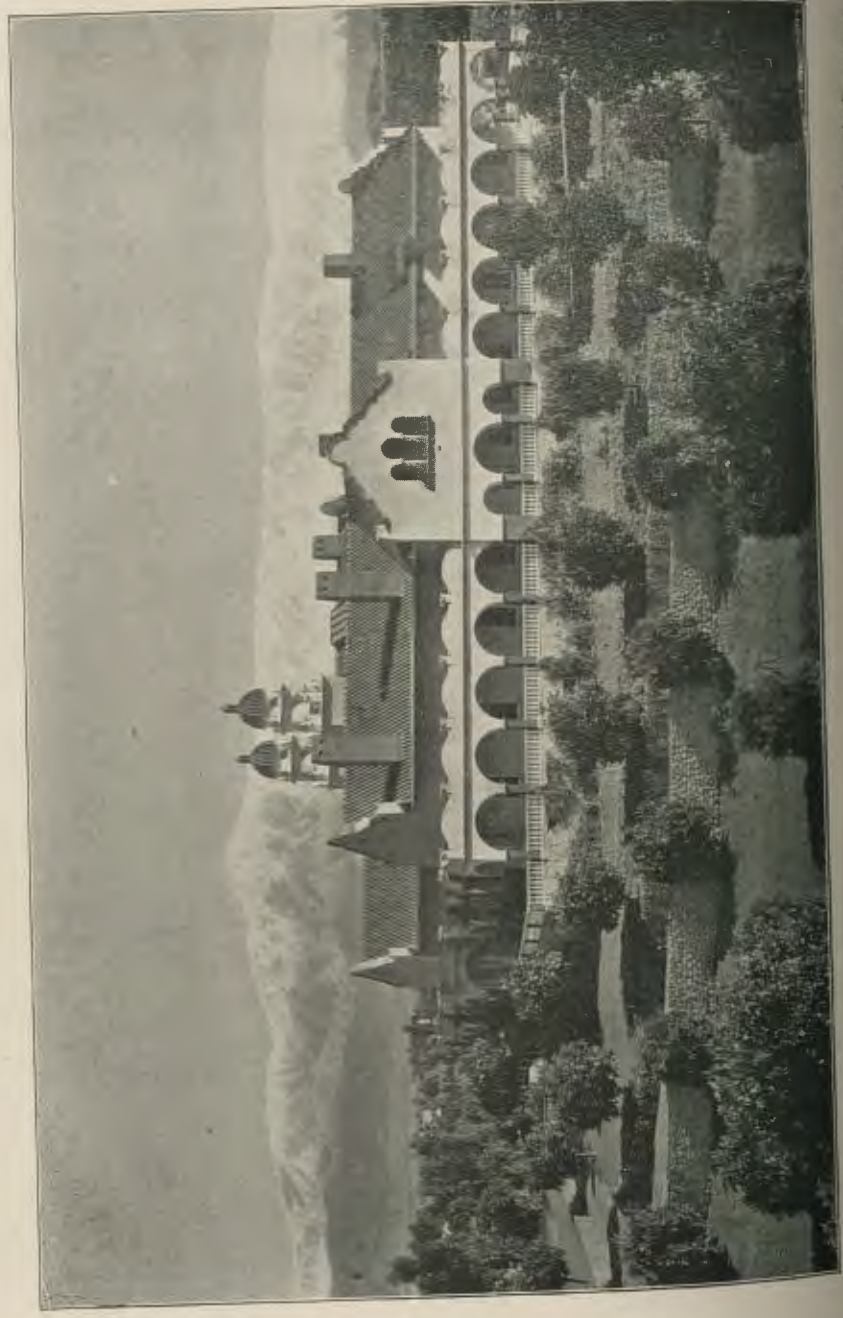


Residence of Mrs. G. W. Bowers

Umbrella Trees



Olive Avenue



Residence of A. C. Burrage



First Baptist Church



Oranges and Snow



Mountain Pines near Redlands



Residence of Mrs. I. L. Lyon

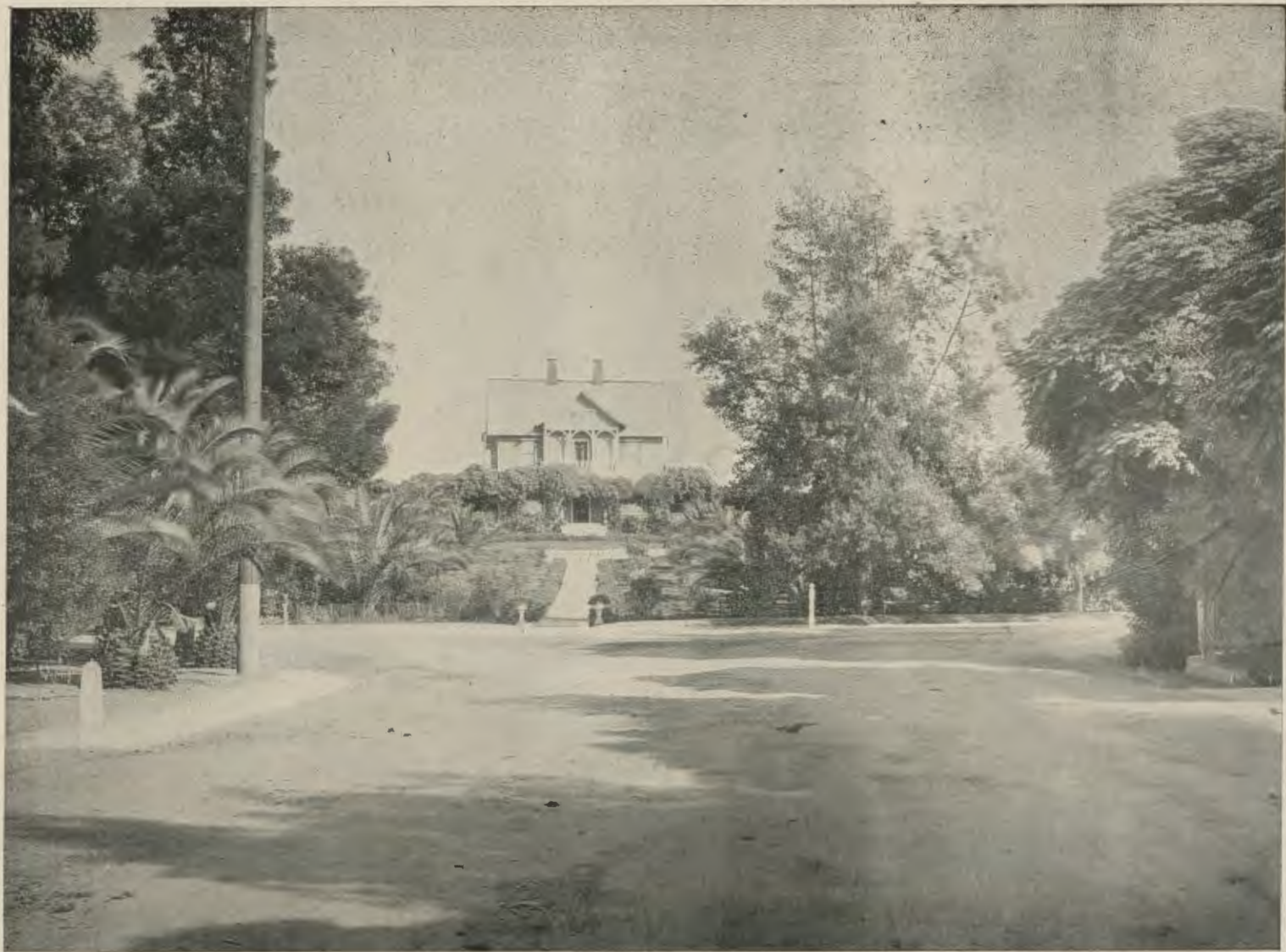


University Club

Cajon Street Looking South



First Methodist Church



Residence of R. B. Lane



Residence of W. F. Holt



Main Entrance—Congregational Church



Brookside Avenue



Residence of A. J. Brier



Hotel Casa Loma



Bear Valley Dam



Loma Linda



Bear Valley



Grounds of Mrs. Meigs



Highland Avenue