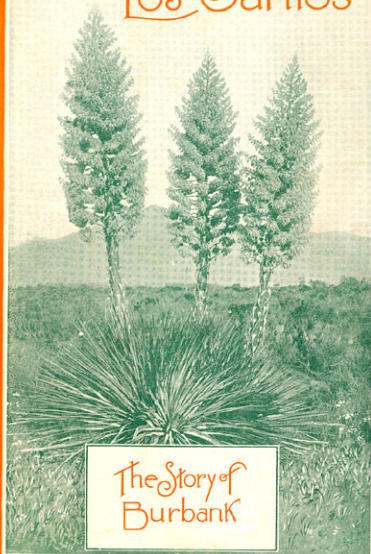
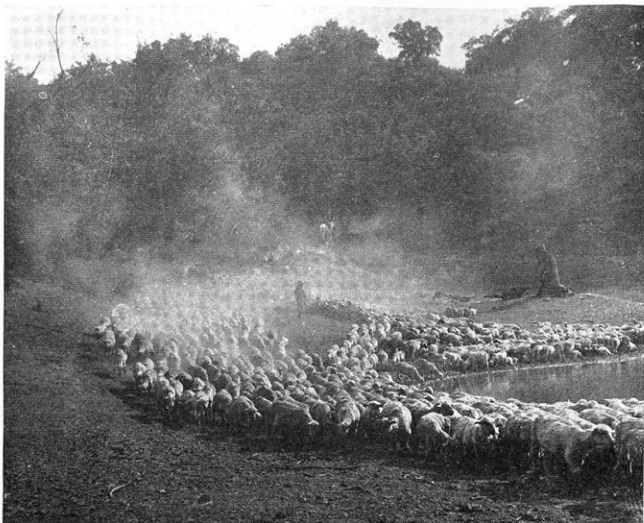


*"High on her utmost tower
of the West
Sits Beauty, baffling an
eternal quest;
From out her gates and
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To blue horizons of the
world's unrest."
—GEORGE STERLING*

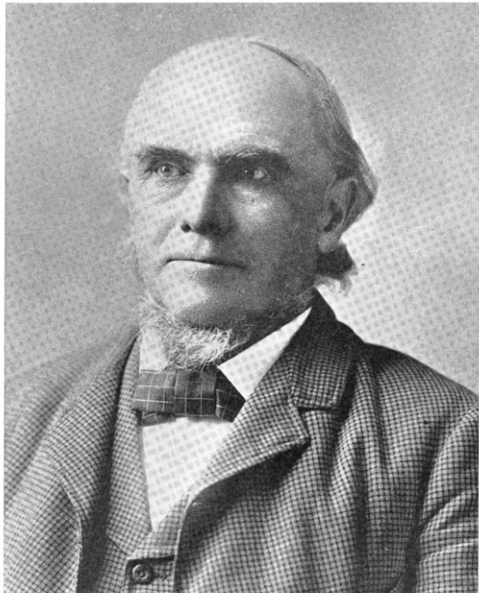
Ranchos de Los Santos



*The Story of
Burbank*



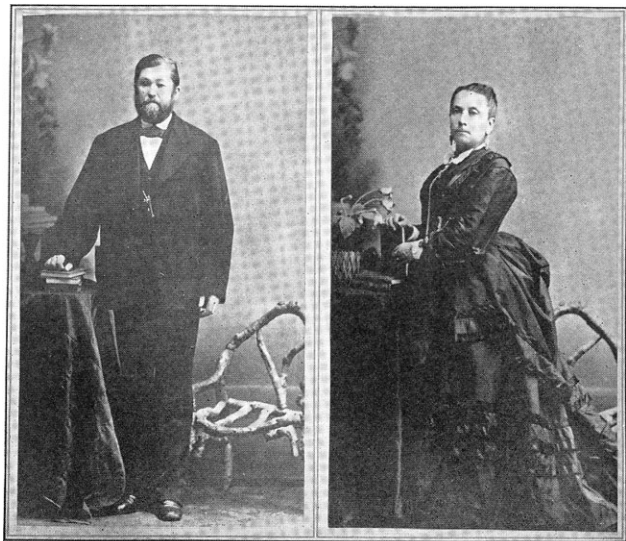
There was much sheep raising on Rancho San Rafael after the American occupation



Dr. David Burbank, California pioneer, for whom Burbank is named. He acquired all of Burbank in 1867 and operated it as a sheep ranch. In 1887 he joined in founding the townsite. A little later he built the Burbank Theater in Los Angeles, the most pretentious playhouse on the Coast at that time



Four generations of Verdugos. Senora Maria Verdugo de Chavoya who is 118 years old, with daughter Senora Rafaela Urquidez, grand-daughter Senora Maria Pettit and great-grand-daughter Senorita Carlotta Pettit



Don and Dona Miguel Goldaracena, whose sheep pastures were among the largest on Rancho San Rafael



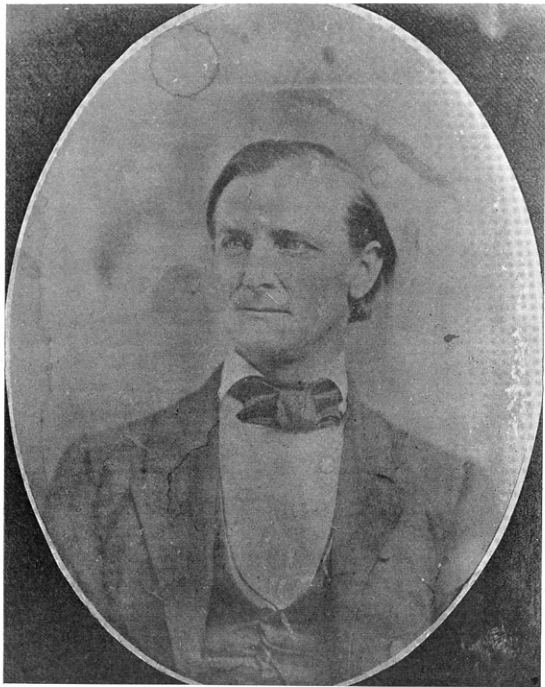
Rancho San Rafael extended east as far as Highland Park and Garvanza. Here is that neighborhood as it appeared when Burbank was founded



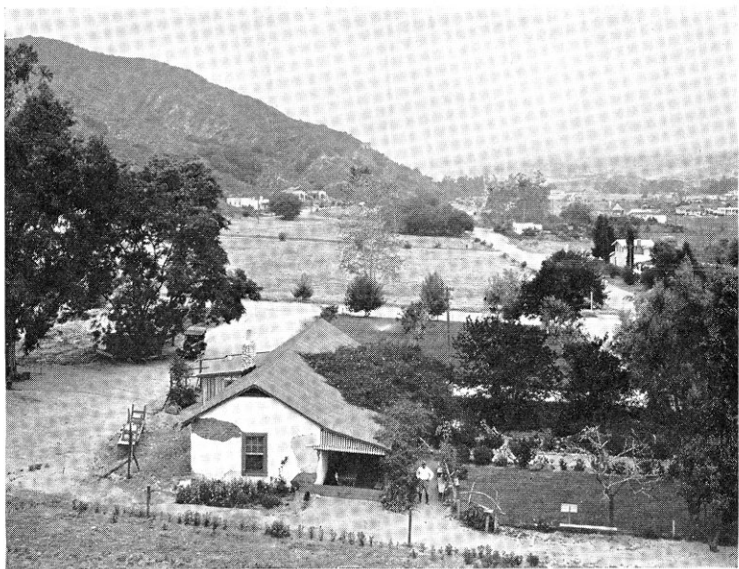
*This view shows much of Rancho San Rafael as it appeared after the "Great Partition"
but before the founding of Burbank and Glendale*



Reading from left to right—Ygnacio Sepulveda, Antonio Yorba and Andronica Sepulveda as they appeared in 1850 just before leaving for Boston for school. The Sepulveda and Yorba families were prominent in Burbank and Glendale for many years.



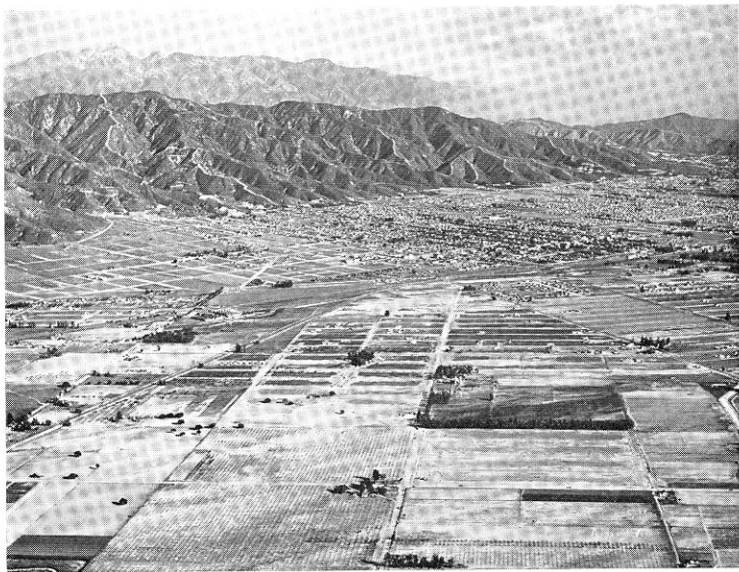
General Joseph Lancaster Brent from daguerrotype taken in 1855 when he became the first American landowner on Rancho San Rafael. General Brent was the last Confederate officer to surrender in the Civil War



Last of the five adobes built by the Verdugos on Rancho San Rafael



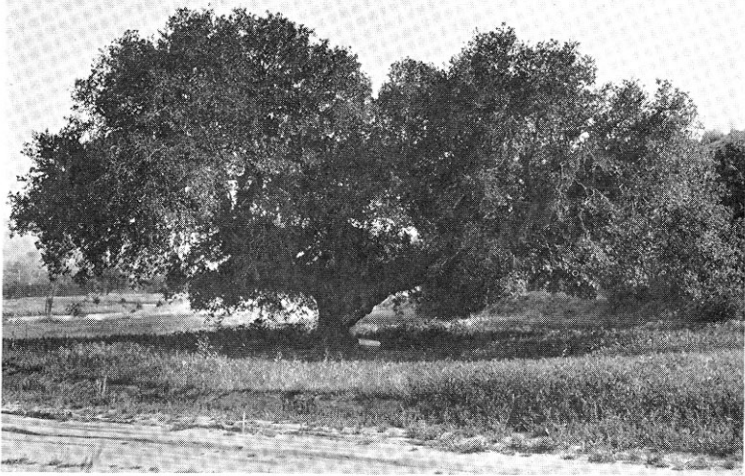
Benjamin D. ("Don Benito") Wilson and family, from an old daguerrotype. It was for this distinguished pioneer that Mt. Wilson was named. He was the second Mayor of Los Angeles. As a naturalized Mexican citizen he led a company of expatriated Yankees in the battle of La Providencia that made Pio Pico Governor of California



Looking toward Rancho San Rafael from Rancho La Providencia, 1927



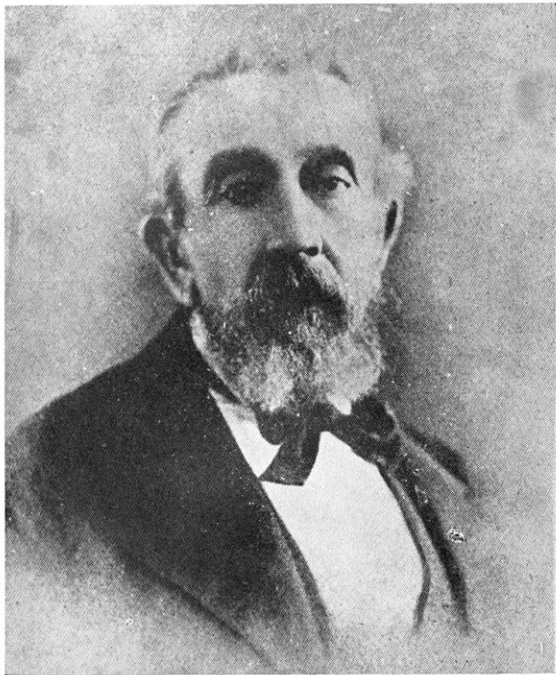
Old ranch house of Dr. David Burbank, father of Burbank



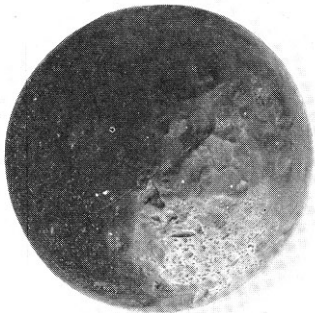
Historic Oak in yard at Verdugo adobe. Here General Andres Pico made his last camp before surrendering to General Fremont at Cahuenga Pass in 1847



Don Pio Pico, last Mexican Governor of California. At Burbank was fought the battle of La Providencia that overthrew Governor Micheltorena and placed Pico in his place.



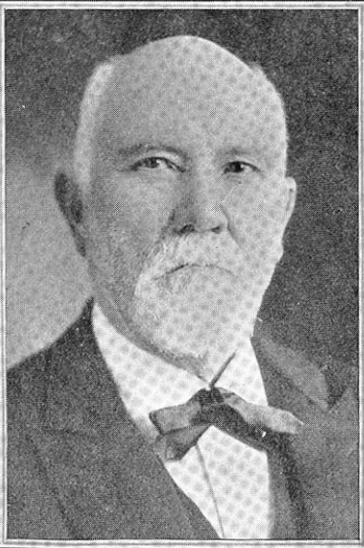
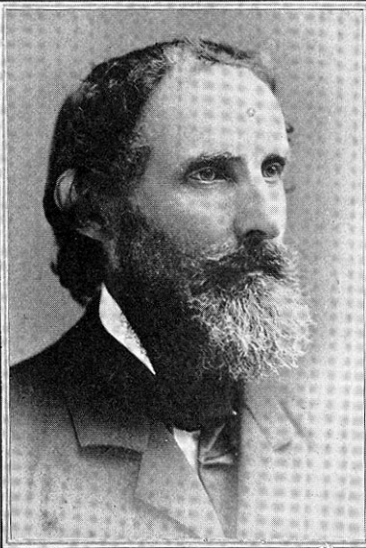
David W. Alexander who shared with Alexander Bell the honor of being the first American ever to own land in what is now Burbank. He and Bell were naturalized Mexican citizens. After the American occupation they became members of the first City Council of Los Angeles



*Cannon ball shot in the Battle of La
Providencia, unearthed by Thomas Story*



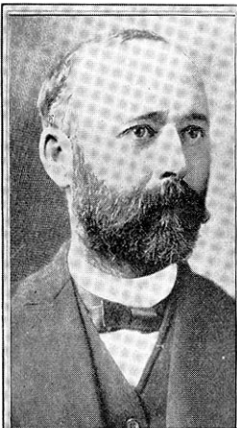
A fine school now overlooks the battlefield of La Providencia



ANDREW GLASSELL

ALBERT B. CHAPMAN

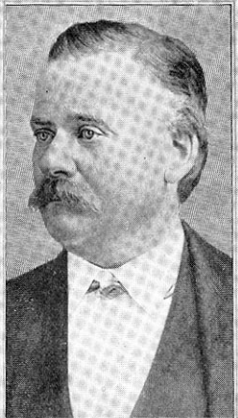
Chief complainants and attorneys in the "Great Partition"



A. W. HUTTON



BENJ. D. EATON



WILLIAM MOORE

Referees of the "Great Partition" of 1870



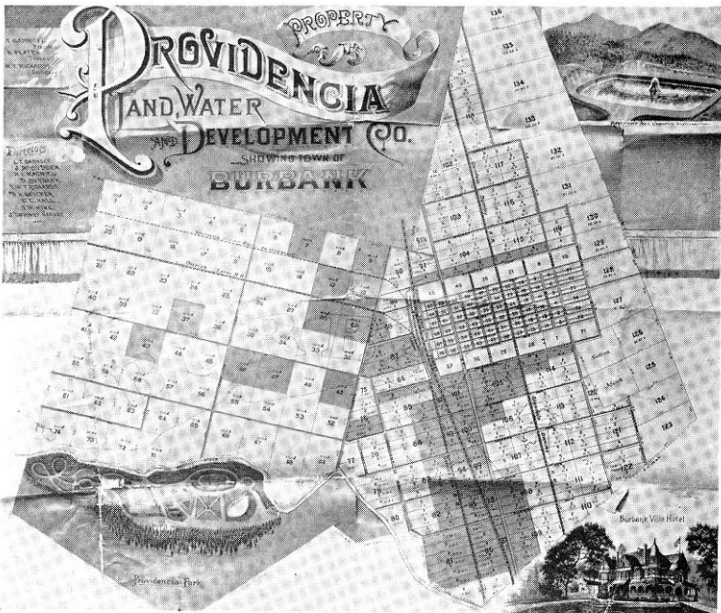
Looking up Olive Avenue from the top of the Burbank Security Building



*Looking up Olive Avenue shortly after the founding of Burbank, showing the old boom-time hotel in the foreground and the Burbank Block in the distance.
Contrast with view opposite and below.*



Looking up Olive Avenue today



Original sales plat of Burbank



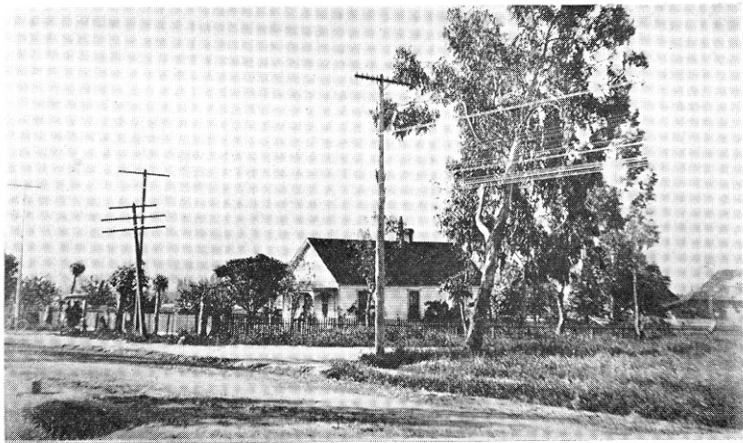
Burbank Block, first brick building in town



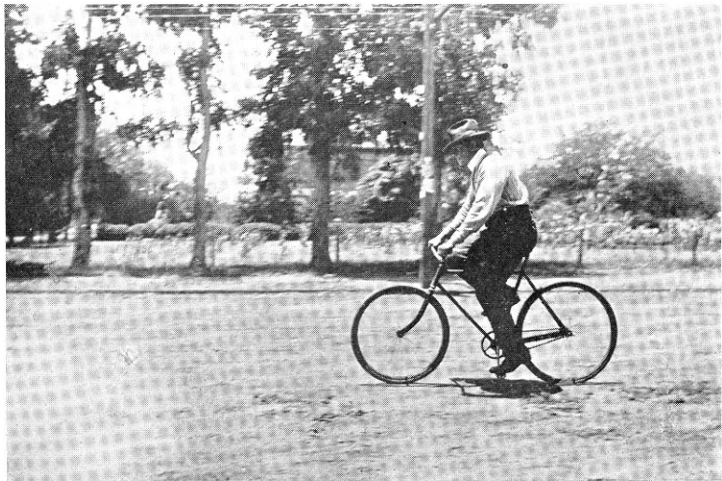
The city the founders of Burbank dreamed of



Same view as opposite, 1927



San Fernando Boulevard at Verdugo Road, 1911



The traffic problem on San Fernando Boulevard near Olive Avenue was not difficult in 1907



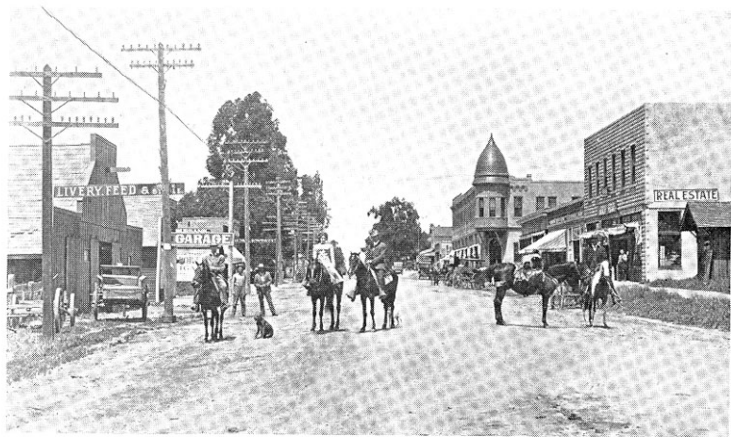
Same view as opposite—1927



Looking east on San Fernando Boulevard from near Olive Avenue, 1927. Compare with view opposite.



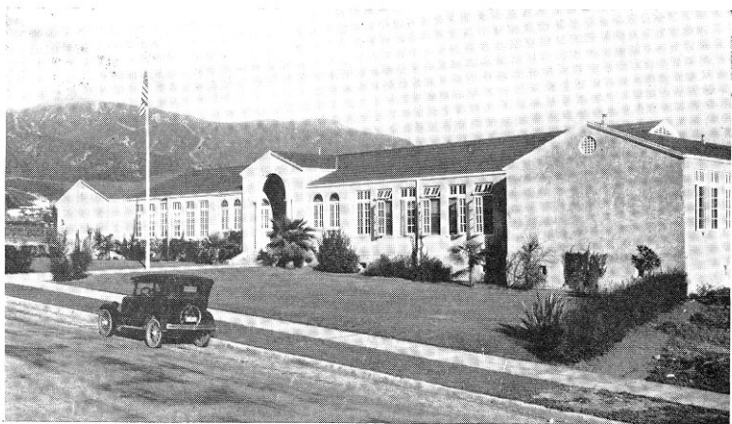
Long since reclaimed from the desert cattle range and the sheep pasture of the Verdugos and the American pioneers, Burbank today is homeland to 20,000 people



Looking up San Fernando Boulevard, 1911



Same view as opposite, 1927



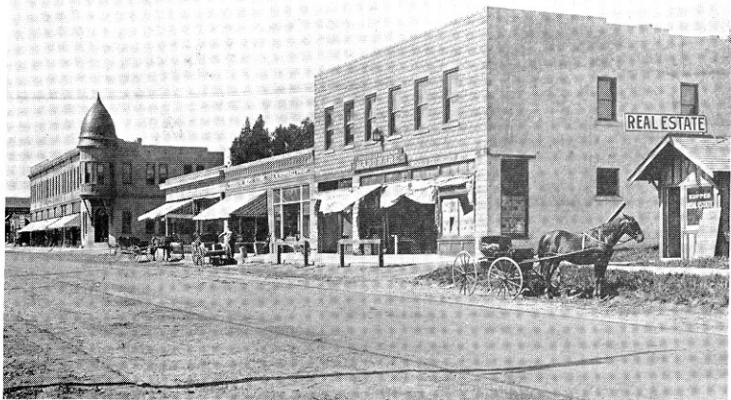
Burbank's schools have ideal situations



San Fernando Boulevard at Angeleno Avenue, 1927



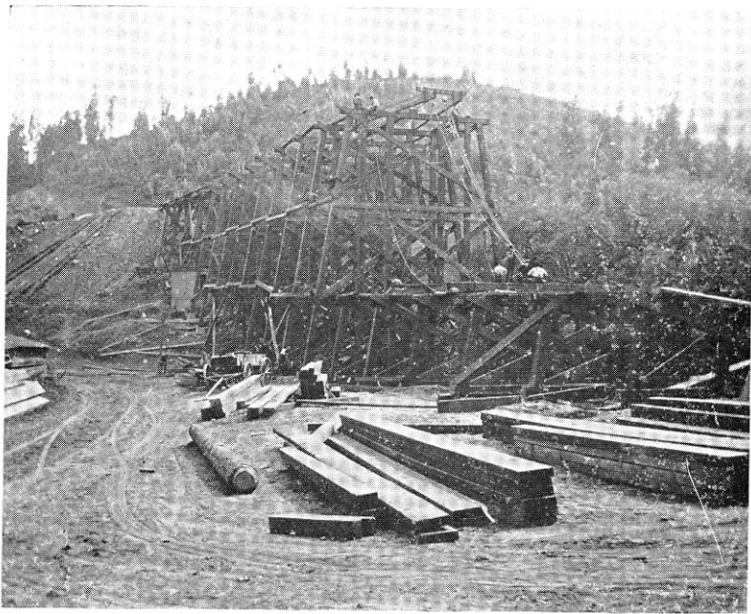
Cutting streets across the old Providencia sheep ranch.



On San Fernando Boulevard near Olive in 1913



A Burbank residence



Building the Pacific Electric out to Glendale and Burbank



Looking up Olive Avenue, 1911. This picture was taken on the day when the first Pacific Electric car arrived from Los Angeles



Clubhouse of the Sunset Canyon Country Club



Burbank High School



A Burbank church

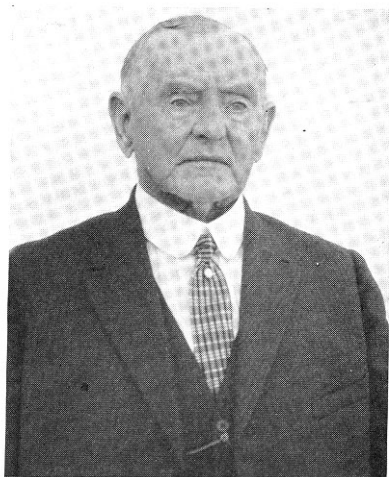
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - BURBANK, CALIF.



Clubhouse of the Burbank Woman's Club



The City Hall



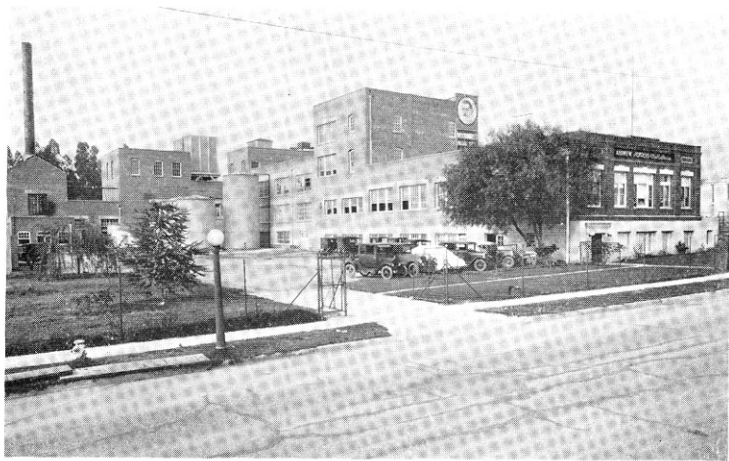
THOMAS STORY
First Mayor of Burbank



Administrative offices and portion of plant of the Moreland Motor Truck Company



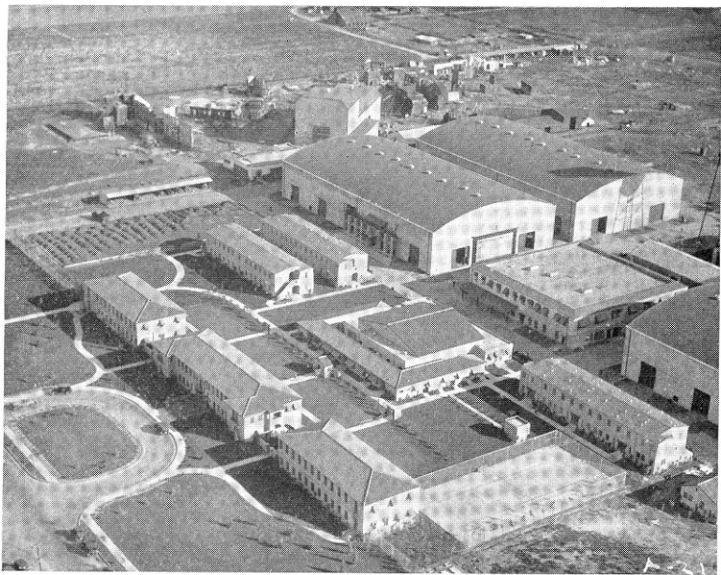
The cannery of Libby, McNeill & Libby



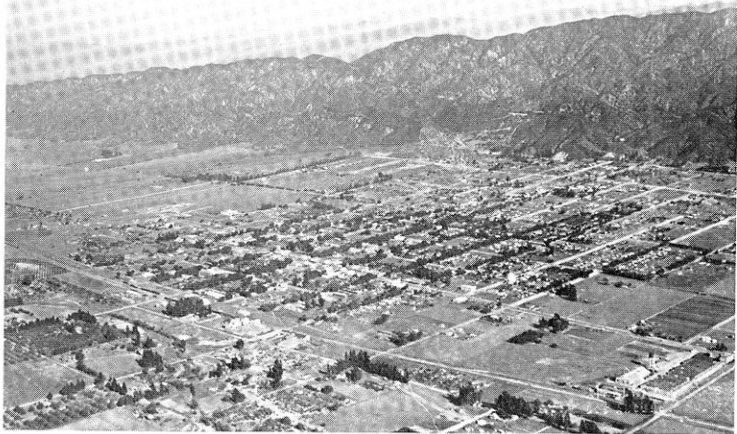
*Plant of the Andrew Jergens Company, manufacturers of Woodbury's Soap
and Facial Preparations*



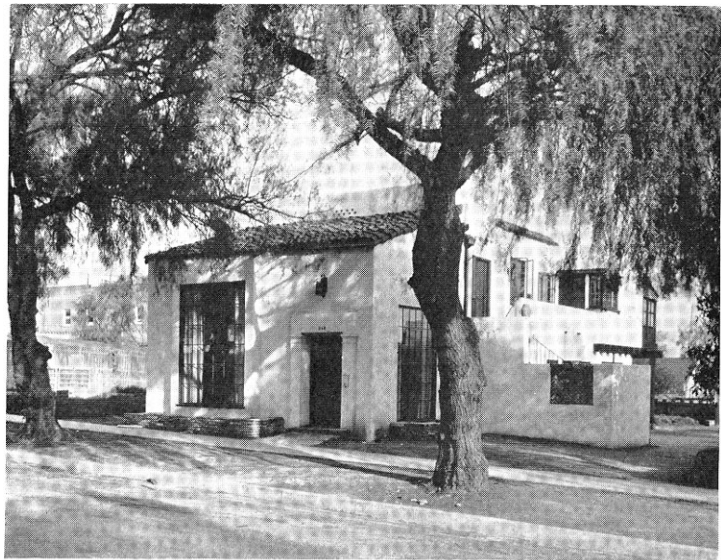
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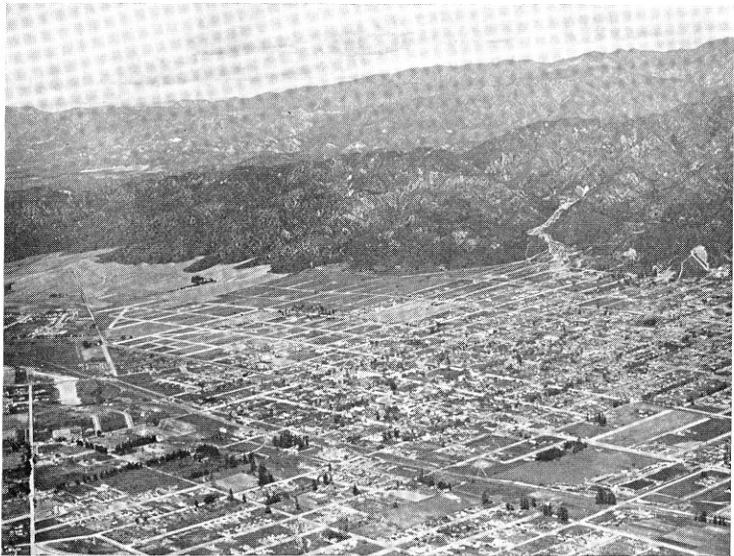
Airplane close-up of First National Studios



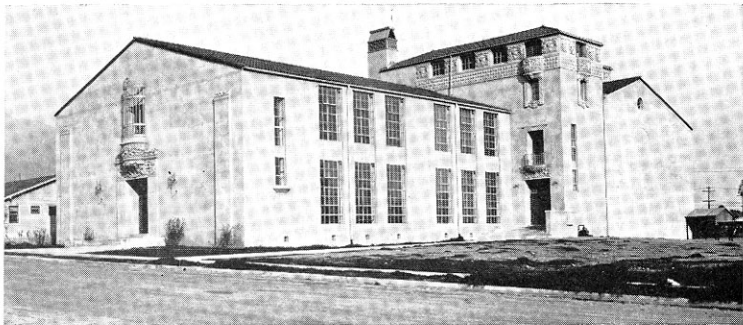
Central Burbank as it appeared from an airplane in 1922



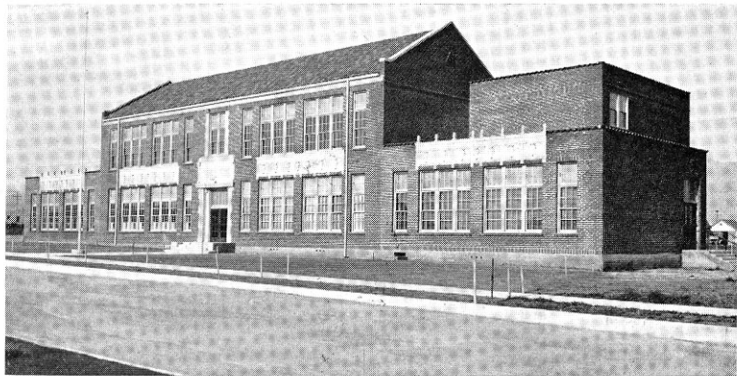
Studio of Dawson-Dudley Draperies



Central Burbank as it appears from an airplane in 1927



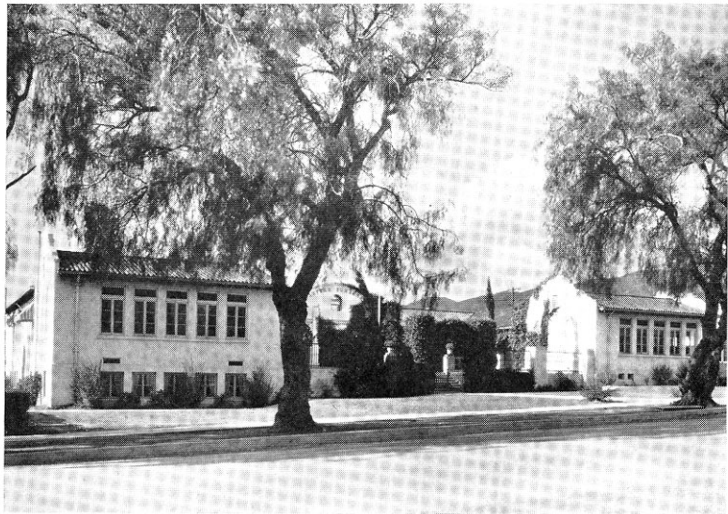
One of the buildings of the Burbank Junior High School



New grammar school recently completed in Magnolia Park neighborhood



Burbank from the Verdugo Hills, 1927



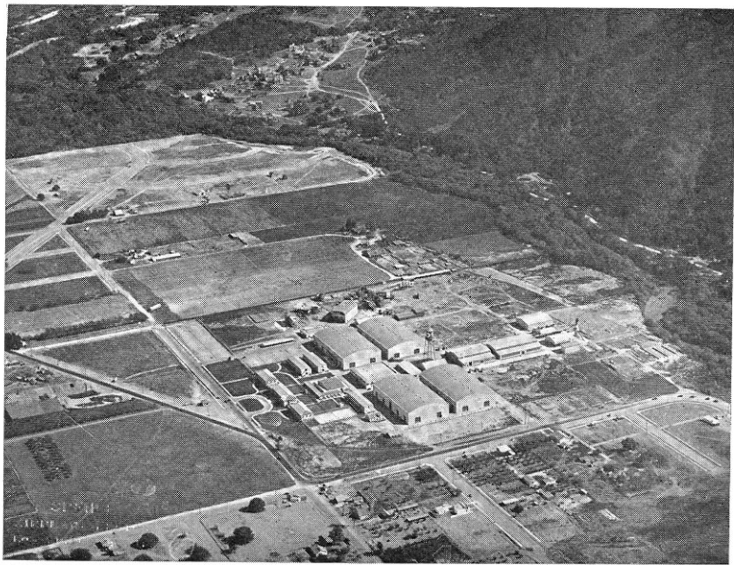
One of the six grammar schools



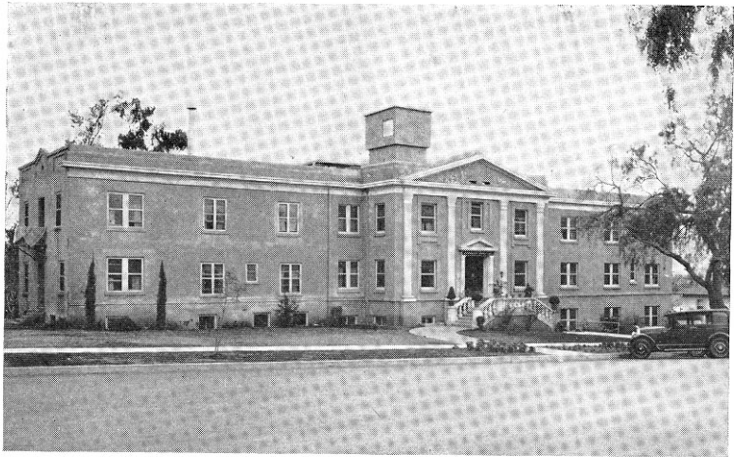
A scene at the Sunset Canyon Country Club



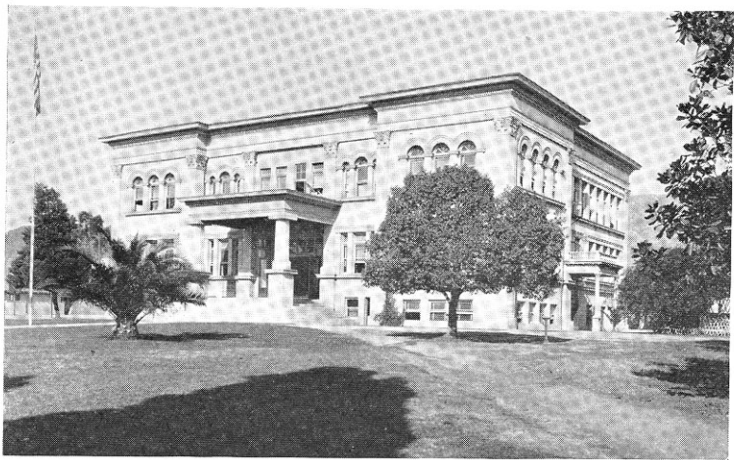
Pacific Evangelical Home for Aged People



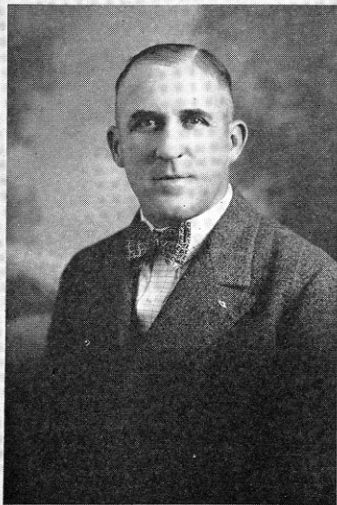
A long-shot of First National Studios showing Lasky Ranch in distance



Burbank Hospital



Burbank's original High School, now a part of the Junior High School



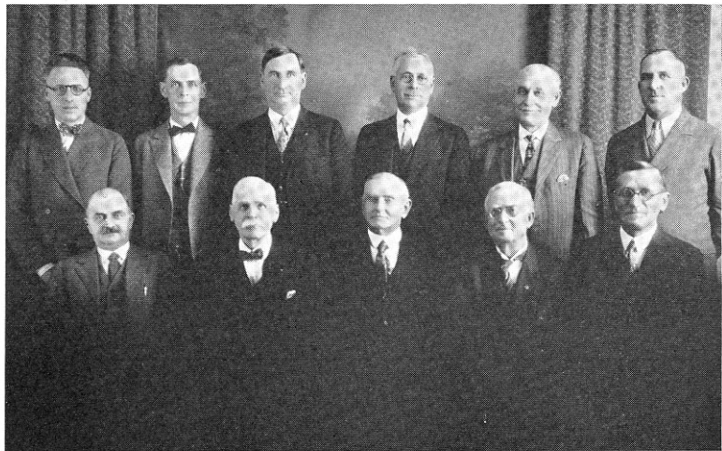
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Vice-President and Manager



JAMES O. BISHOP
Assistant Manager



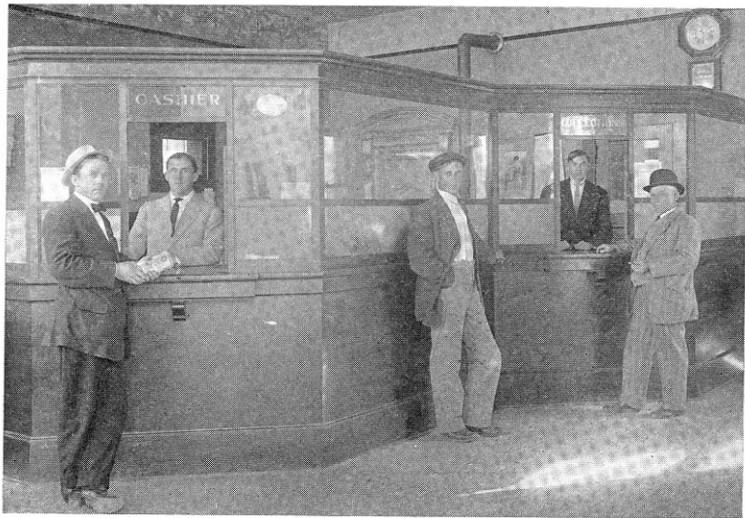
"Here on the clean, broad, paved, tree-shaded avenues stand their homes . . ."



Executive board of the Burbank Security Bank. Reading from left to right, lower row: Orville Myers, Martin Pupka, Thomas Story, A. O. Kendall, E. A. Knapp. Upper row: J. O. Bishop, W. A. Blanchard, J. T. Shelton, Charles B. Fischer, J. D. Radcliff, Ralph O. Church.



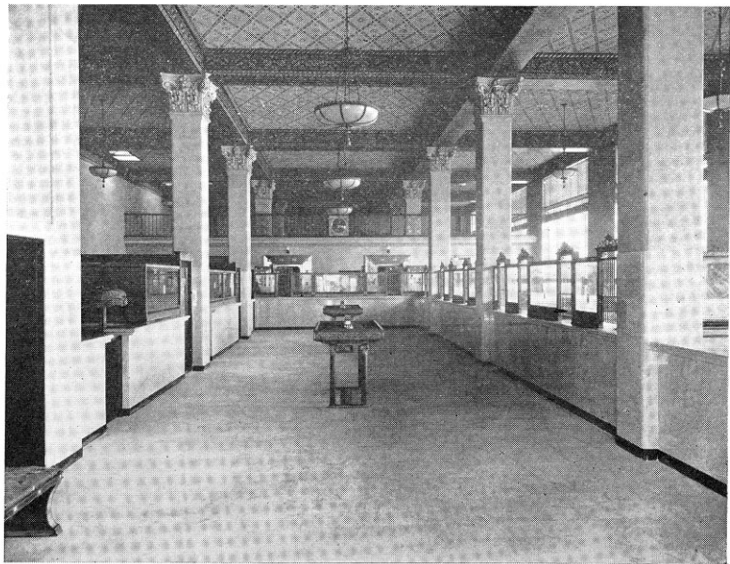
Personnel of the Burbank Security Bank, 1927. Reading from left to right lower row: Zella Caldwell, Ellen C. Knode, Ima C. Leslie, Ethyl R. Sly, Florence Herrington. Center row: Marshall J. Flora, Marguerite O. Schaper, Elsie M. Wickersham, Velma C. Rogers, Alice J. Stephenson, Russell M. Crocker. Upper row: Glen H. Green, Rupert G. Malone, Gerald D. Harrington, John F. Baldwin, J. O. Bishop.



The interior of the Burbank State Bank, now the Burbank Security Bank, as it was upon its founding in 1908. Contrast with picture opposite.



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New quarters of Burbank Security Bank, formally opened March 26, 1927.



Home of the old Burbank State Bank on the site of the present Burbank Security Bank, 1908-1911. Note the Glendale stage



Second home of the Bank, 1911-1926



THE BURBANK SECURITY BUILDING

WITHIN the life of this Bank and its management, which has been continuously the same since the beginning, Burbank has grown from a village of less than 500 to a city as large as Ithaca, Bristol, Boise, Fort Dodge or Key West. And this community has just begun to grow!

Preparatory for the greater future ahead, the Burbank Security Bank has replaced its recent quarters at the southeast corner of San Fernando Boulevard and Olive Avenue with a new and larger building, just as it, in 1911, increased the facilities provided by its original building of 1908. The new structure pictured above provides a banking room of such size, convenience and beauty as to do credit to a city many times the size of this municipality. Housed in such ample and attractive quarters and continuing to operate under the direction of its co-founder, Ralph O. Church, the Burbank Security Bank expects to become an even greater factor in Burbank affairs than it has been for the past nineteen years.