

Murray, Salt Lake's Most Important Suburb.



Arthur Short
Councilman 3rd Ward



A. E. Lee
Councilman 1st Ward



Mayor Charles Brown



Arthur Townsend
Councilman 2nd Ward



James Godfrey
Councilman 3rd Ward



A. J. Walquist
Councilman 3rd Ward



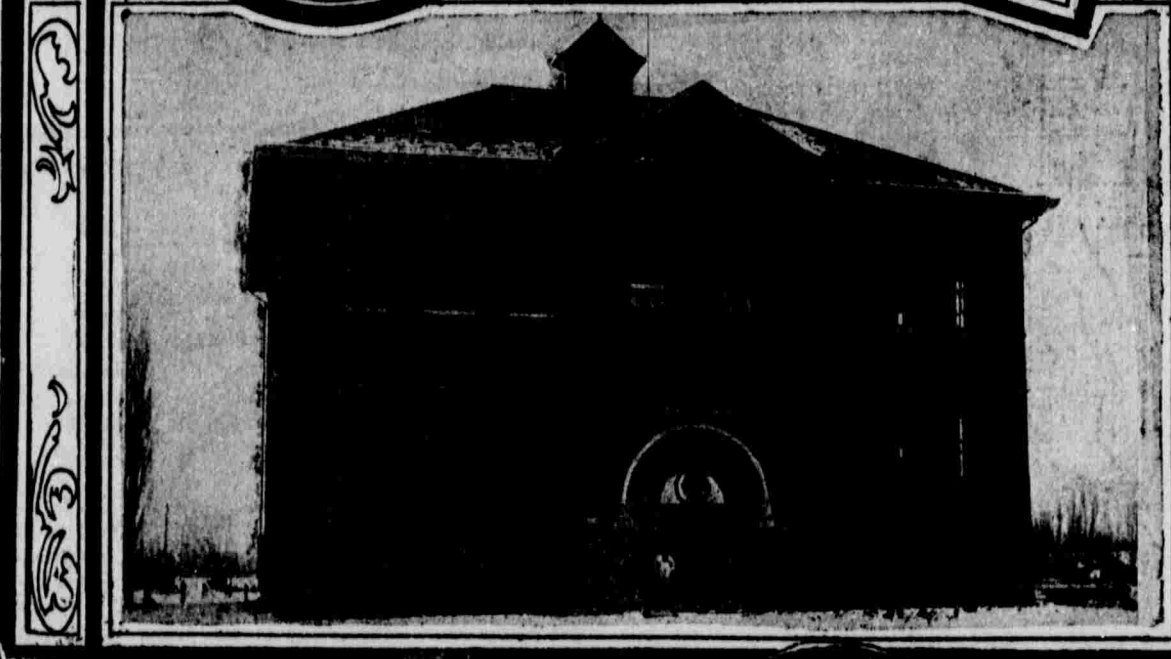
L. B. Powell
Councilman 2nd Ward



Walter H. Atwood
Councilman 4th Ward



Daniel Smith
Councilman 1st Ward



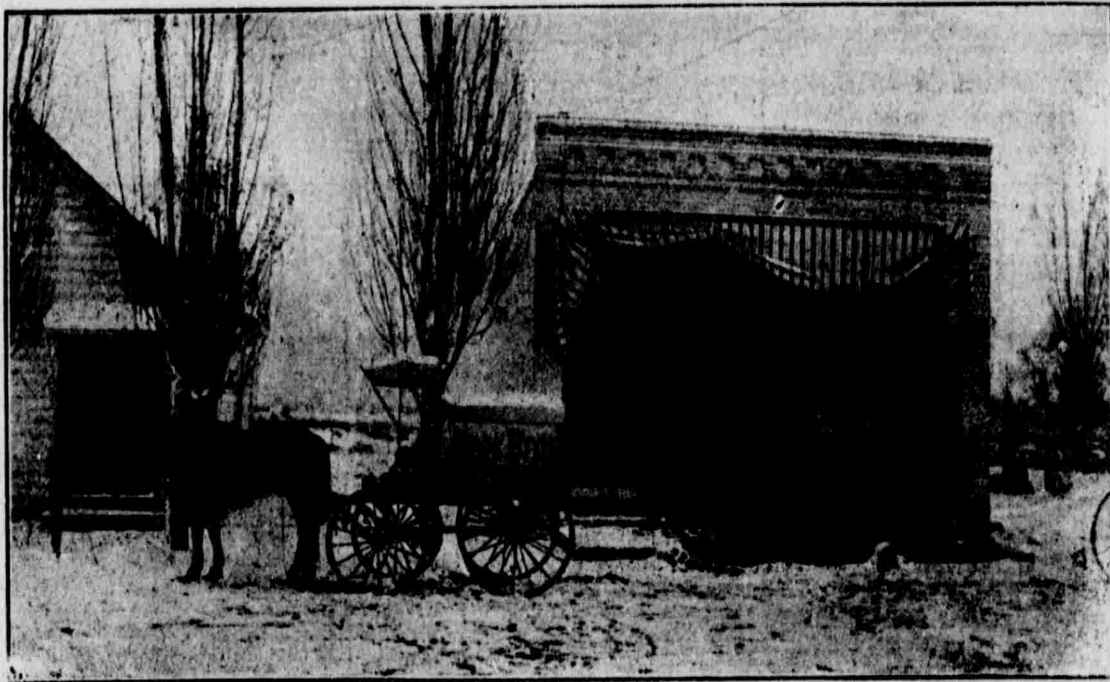
West Side School



Central School

MURRAY, the most important suburb of Salt Lake City, is situated about seven miles south of Utah's capital in the very heart of Salt Lake county, and is surrounded by one of the richest agricultural regions in the state. The Wasatch range with its eternal snow-capped peaks rises in lofty majesty but a few miles to the east, and should the eye tire of the rugged view here presented, turn the back upon the scene and the gentler Ogkirk range will afford a pleasing contrast. Two of the crystal streams from that giant Wasatch bring their precious gift to the city—Little and Big Cottonwood, the one passing directly through the city, the other flowing along its northern boundary. Ample communication brings Murray in direct contact with all parts of the state. The well known and well worn State road which connects most of the cities and towns on the western slope of the Wasatch, passes through the city. This road runs north and south almost to the extremities of the state. It is intersected with streets about a mile apart throughout the county, thus placing the farmers and fruitgrowers within easy reach of a profitable market for much of their products. Both the San Pedro and the Rio Grande Western railroads pass through the city and have stations within its limits.

Telegraphic and telephonic communication is all that could be desired. The pleasure resorts in the Cottonwoods are reached during the summer season by daily stage lines. There is an excellent opportunity for the opening of a pleasure resort on the banks of Little Cottonwood within the limits of the city. Many people from Salt Lake City camp in the meadows of the farmers whose land skirts this stream, and find enjoyment during the heated term. The opening of such a resort would no doubt prove a profitable investment. Murray is connected with Salt Lake City by an electric line giving a 20 minute service at a two-thirds rate as compared with what was charged a year ago. In the fall of 1902 Murray was incorporated with a population of 2,500 inhabitants. On the Fourth of July last the city celebrated her transition to a city of the second class with an increased area, and a population of 5,000, having increased 100 per cent in less than three years. Such a rapid growth is almost phenomenal. At the city election held in November last an able and conservative set of officers was elected, who will be entrusted with the affairs of the city for the next two years. Their duties will begin Jan. 1, 1906. The mayor will be vested with greater powers, the city council will be composed of 10 members—two from each municipal ward, and Murray will enjoy all the rights and privileges of a second class city, with taxation merely nominal. The officers are as follows: Mayor Charles



JONES BROS., GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

THREE months ago Jones Bros. opened business in their new building, located on Winchester street, directly east of the Highland Boy smelter. They have a full line of general merchandise, carrying nothing

but first-class goods. This is a time-saving convenience for the people living in that vicinity, who have, heretofore, been compelled to go to Murray for every necessary article or wait possibly a day for a delivery. These young men, O. W. and M. W.

Jones, are well known in this community, having been born and reared here. Their home life has been ideal which is evidence of future success. They have the natural and educational ability, the consequences of which is bringing them an increasing trade.

Brown, manager of the leading general merchandise store in Murray; treasurer, W. H. Bishop; recorder, W. J. Warenski; attorney, Stephen L. Richards; Justice, C. F. Durand; marshal, Michael Mauser; councilman from First ward, Daniel Smith; builder, A. E. Lee; livery stableman, Second ward, Arthur Townsend; merchant, L. B. Powell, smelter foreman; Third ward, John Wood and John Berger, farmers; Fourth ward, James Godfrey, farmer; H. W. Atwood, business man; Fifth ward, Arthur Short, insurance agent; A. J. Walquist, contractor and builder. On the 6th of the present month a board of education comprising five members was elected to direct the educational affairs of the city. They are as follows: Henry W. Brown, John A. Jones, J. C. Cahoon, Orson Sanders, Martin McMillan. One of our privileges is to control our own schools, and it is the aim to maintain a high standard. The two school buildings, shown in the cuts are at a cost of \$50,000 in 1903 and the south side building which has been built this year and will be occupied after the Christmas vacation, cost but a trifle less than the Central. There is also a two-roomed building on the west side. G. M. Munford, a teacher of over 30 years experience in the schools of Salt Lake City and county, is supervisor. There are 20 grade teachers and two special supervisors—one in music, and one in art. A high school, a kindergarten, and a manual training department are possibilities of the near future, the first of which will be installed at the opening of the next school year. The desire for a first class school system was the chief reason for the recent change in our municipality. The increase from a business standpoint during the past year has been marked. A number of temporary buildings have given place to substantial business blocks of pressed brick and stone trimmings which have added much to the appearance of the town. The four leading general merchandise

stores are doing a business amounting to from \$35,000 to \$40,000 per annum each; six grocery stores average from \$25,000 to \$30,000; two clothing and furnishing stores from \$20,000 to \$30,000 each per annum; besides hardware and furniture stores doing equally as large a business. These with four large butcher shops, hotels and restaurants, livery stables and other smaller businesses concerns too numerous and too varied to mention, make up a prosperous aggregate. If anything more need be said in favor of the condition of trade in Murray, it is that there are no business failures. The American Eagle Publishing company is doing a good job printing business, and publishes a weekly paper—the American Eagle—which has a wide circulation in the county. Two banks are doing a good business not only after local merchants and business men, but are drawing deposits from all over the county—trade that formerly went to Salt Lake City. Real estate is active both in business and resident property, and no better proof can be offered as to the future than the fact that many choice pieces of business property have been purchased during the past year as an investment. Three real estate firms are doing a good business, and a fourth is assured. The coal and lumber trade over a great portion of the valley is now centered in Murray. Almost every trade and business is now represented. Three promising young lawyers will look after your legal affairs, the Opera House, Trocadero and bowling alley will furnish your amusements, and the hot pie and hot tamales vendors will tempt your appetite upon the streets on cold, frosty nights. The smelters continue their wonted activity and some are increasing their capacity, and they bid fair to become permanent notwithstanding the suits now pending against them by the farmers. The smoke problem is now said to be practically solved. Expert chemists have been at work on the problem for the past year and claim to have extracted as high as 80 per cent of the poisons that have heretofore been escaping with the smoke.

These experiments put into practical use will, no doubt, solve the problem and forever settle the difficulty between the smelters and the farmers. To the laborer and home seeker the city presents attractions. A chance to buy a city lot at a reasonable figure and build a house upon it, with labor plentiful and money in free circulation in the busiest little town in the state, with the prospect of property growing into value as time rolls on, with all the necessities of life as cheap as anywhere in the state—these are some of them. The future of the city was never so bright as today, and no doubt 1906 will see much more rapid strides than has 1905. An independent water system for the city is one of the near possibilities which will do much for it. Opportunities for new enterprises are plentiful here. A canning factory would do well here, the surrounding settlements could furnish almost every variety of fruit and vegetable grown in the state. A pickle and a vinegar factory are easy possibilities. We have clay for the finest brick and sand for the finest glass, besides numerous other undeveloped resources. Altogether the outlook is promising and those who know Murray best are investing the most heavily in her enterprises, and are the most confident of her future.

E. CARLSON.

M. E. CARLSON who has conducted a bicycle trade here so successfully has received a consignment of all kinds of musical instruments and will open up a music store in connection with his other business. He carries new and second-hand goods. He has an elegant line of pianos just in on which he offers special holiday prices. As a bicycle repairer Mr. Carlson is master of his profession, as a business man he has proved efficient and his honesty and reliability is well established.



MURRAY CO-OP.

THE Murray Co-op is the largest general merchandise establishment in Murray. Its reputation as carrying first-class goods, as having just and moderate prices and its promptness of delivery are best demonstrated by the large patronage it enjoys. Its stock is always appropriate to the season and of a large variety. The institution is under the superintendency of Hon. Charles Brown, whose

attitude toward the public has gained him the people's confidence, and he is assisted by a number of influential clerks whose characters demand respect. If you do business with them you can expect good value, good treatment and a continual friendliness. To make the children full of joy, happiness and contentment, call on the above for your toys and Christmas goods, as their line is complete and their prices right.



THE MURRAY MERCANTILE CO.

THIS is the largest and oldest general merchandise establishment in Murray carrying a complete line of dry goods, boots, shoes, caps, stables and fancy groceries, in fact, everything that you have needed, everything you now need and everything that you will need. The object of this company has always been to carry first-class and up-

to-date goods at the lowest possible prices and in the manner Mr. A. Townsend, the proprietor, has built up an extensive trade second to none in the city. He has not only the greater portion of the trade of Murray, but has reached out into the surrounding districts. He also supplies the mines in the Cottonwoods. This institution needs no recommendation as its goods and trade speak for themselves.

The four leading general merchandise



CENTRAL GROCERY COMPANY.

ONE of the newest and most up-to-date houses in Murray is the Central Grocery Co. This progressive business house was established about two years ago by Geo. A. Sanders, Sandra Sanders and L. G. Larson and opened up in the Caldwell block on State street. Such rapid strides, however, were made that the business soon out-grew its quarters and it moved to the commodious and attractive building that it now occupies. The Reynolds-Cahoon block, State street. The business has recently been incorporated under the name above given,

with Geo. A. Sanders president, Sandra Sanders of Salt Lake City, vice president, L. G. Larson, secretary and treasurer, with Mary E. Sanders and Frederick Peterson, together with above named officers, as the board of directors. The people of Murray will readily recognize that the management is made up of enterprising and painstaking business men who spare no effort in treating their patrons with courtesy, promptness and liberality. The Central Grocery Co. carries a full line of groceries, domestic and foreign, fancy fruits and vegetables to suit the season. Their goods are unequalled, their service prompt and their prices low.