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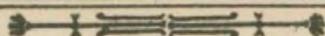
THE CITY OF PAYROLLS

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 **B**IRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, widely known as "The City of Pay-Rolls," is the geographical center of the progressive New South.

Less than half a century old, and growing faster than any other Southern city, the population in 1910 had reached 132,685, and, according to the 1916 city directory, had grown to 198,990. So it is obvious that this marvelous growth is not of a mushroom variety, but a steady, substantial increase.

Birmingham is destined to be the leading industrial city of the South. It is peculiarly situated in the very center of a wonderful district where every element necessary for the making of iron is found in close proximity, which gives it advantages not enjoyed by other iron-making centers.

The leading industries of Birmingham are products of iron and steel, heavy machinery, cast iron pipe, brick and other clay products, cement, and diversified industries of various kinds, which are increasing at a rapid pace due to the natural advantages and wonderful resources of this district.

The following nine railroad systems radiate from Birmingham to every section of the country: The Alabama Great Southern, Seaboard Air Line, Central of Georgia, Illinois Central, Atlanta, Birmingham & Atlantic, Southern, Frisco, Louisville & Nashville, and Mobile & Ohio, thus affording unusual railroad facilities. There are ninety-nine passenger trains in and out of the city daily. The two-million dollar Terminal station is notable for its convenience and appearance.

There are numerous good hotels and boarding houses in the city, and two new hotels have recently been completed, so that the tourist who enters the gates of Birmingham will be assured every comfort of modern life.

The business section with its wide streets and sidewalks, lighted by a modern white way system, is second to none in attractiveness. The beautiful shops and the hustle that is obvious on every side remind one forcibly of the scene on Broadway.

Birmingham's residence section is one of its greatest assets. The beautiful homes built along the mountain side, which is reached by winding roadways, afford views which are not surpassed in any other American city. Birmingham is now becoming known as "The City Beautiful."

The climate of Birmingham is devoid of extremes of heat and cold. Mild winters and moderate summers make it possible to engage in outdoor occupations or sports practically all the year round.

The school facilities of Birmingham are the very best. There are several colleges of high repute. There are five high schools and six elementary schools, besides the colleges, which afford educational opportunities of the highest order.

Parks scattered throughout the city afford recreation for all classes. The city maintains a well organized playground association which is being increased in efficiency.

The housing conditions of Birmingham for the working men are being improved from time to time and in some industrial sections they have already been made ideal.

Birmingham is governed by five commissioners, whose motto is efficiency. The installation of motor-driven fire apparatus instead of horses is an example of the practical work being done. There has been a great saving of expenditures under the new administration and effective work accomplished.

Birmingham is a combination of the city industrial and the city beautiful, which entitles it to the name of the "Ideal American City."

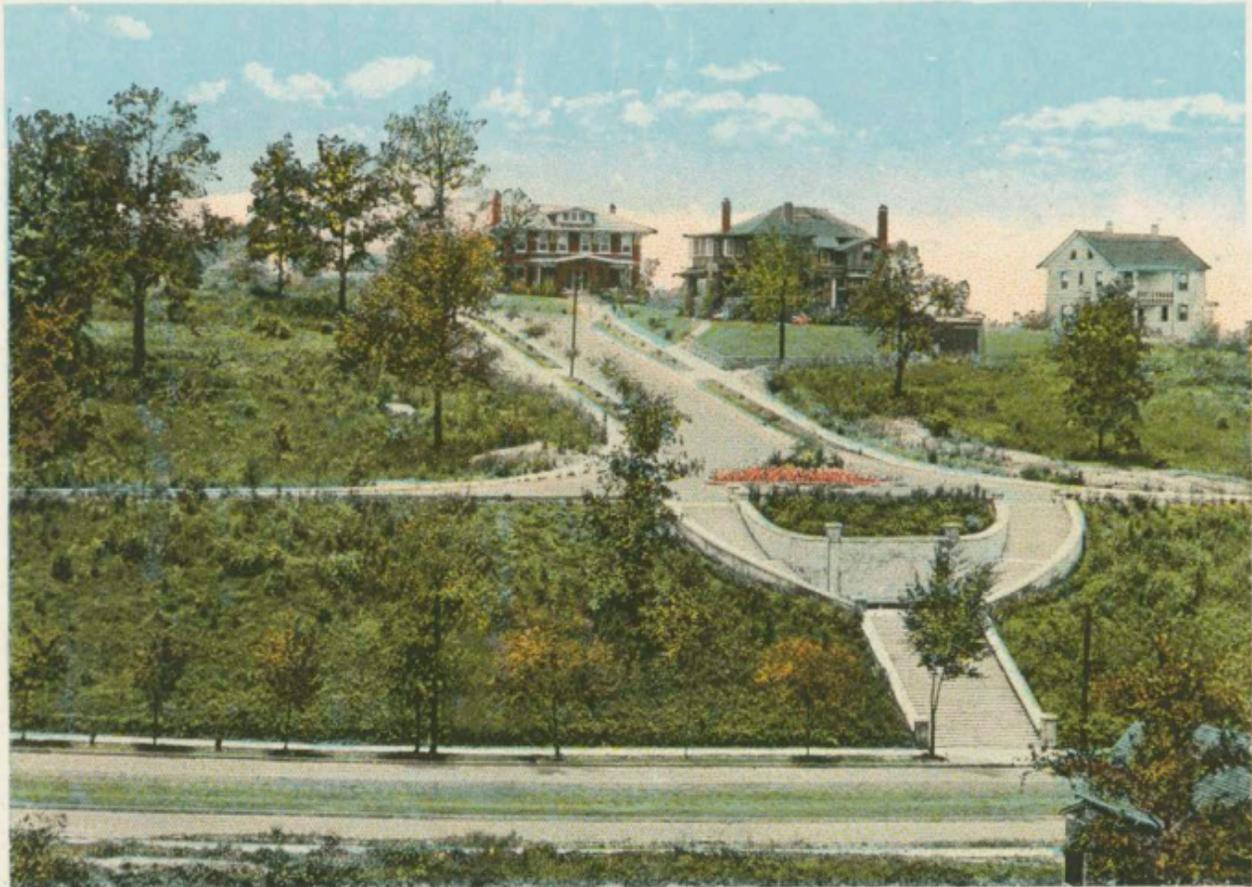
BIRMINGHAM—THE CITY OF PAYROLLS



A VIEW OF HIGHLAND AVENUE AND LAKEVIEW.



RESIDENCE SECTION OF MONROE AVENUE WITH RHODES PARK FRONTAGE.



A VIEW OF CHESTNUT HILL FROM GOLF LINKS AND HIGHLAND AVENUE.



A PORTION OF THE GROUNDS OF ST. VINCENTS HOSPITAL.

PLANT OF AMERICAN STEEL & WIRE CO.

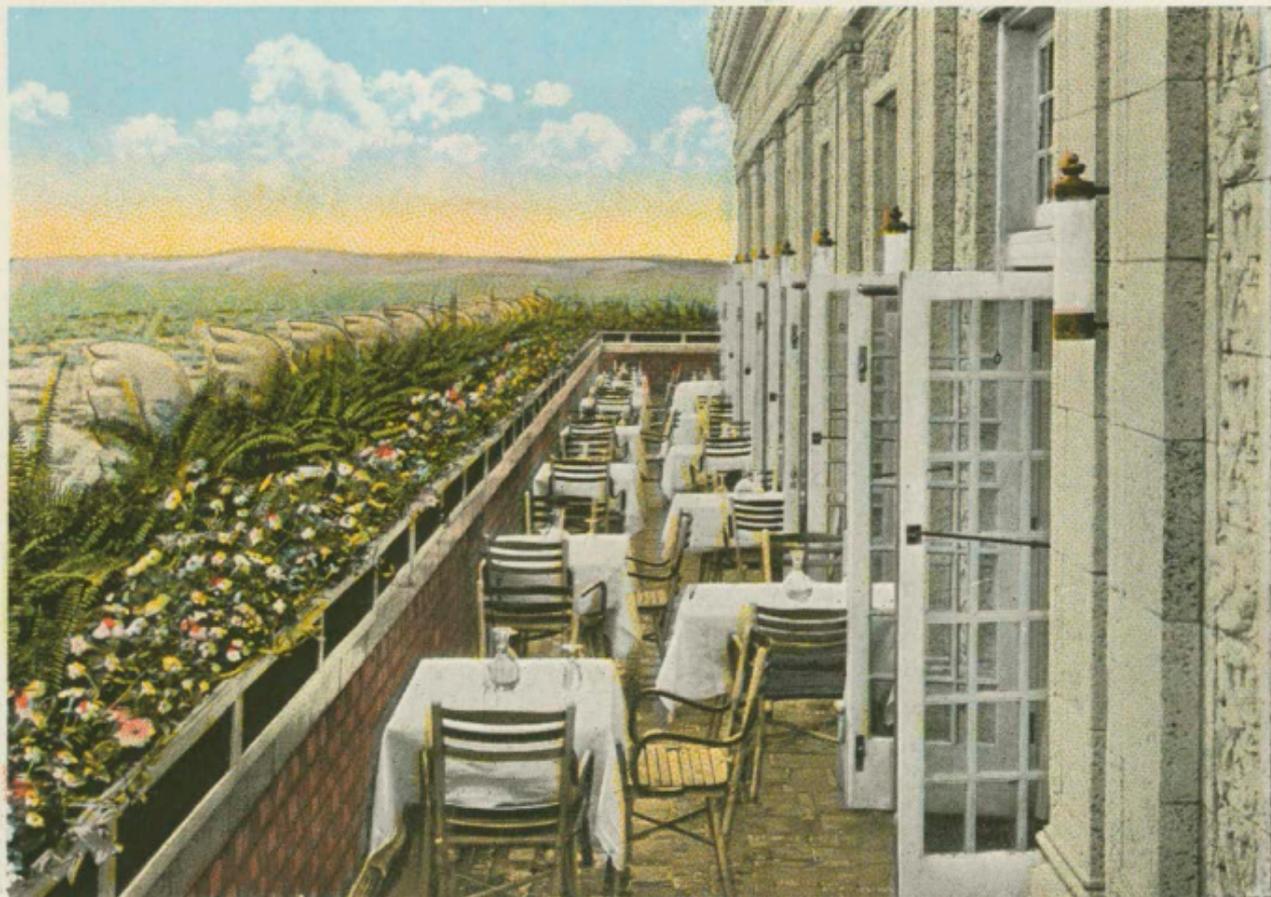


SHOWING BY-PRODUCT PLANT IN BACKGROUND, FAIRFIELD-BIRMINGHAM.



SKYLINE FROM TOP OF RIDGELY APARTMENTS.

A PORTION OF CAFE, SHOWING THE ROOF GARDEN



PROMENADE, 25 STORIES IN THE AIR, JEFFERSON COUNTY BANK BUILDING.



A VIEW OF NORWOOD BOULEVARD AT 32ND STREET.



SKYLINE TAKEN FROM 25TH FLOOR OF JEFFERSON COUNTY BANK BUILDING.



LAKE PURDY, TWELVE MILES EAST OF BIRMINGHAM, WATER SUPPLY FOR CITY.

BIRMINGHAM'S NEW \$2,500,000 HOTEL.



"THE TUTWILER," CORNER 5TH AVE. AND 20TH ST.

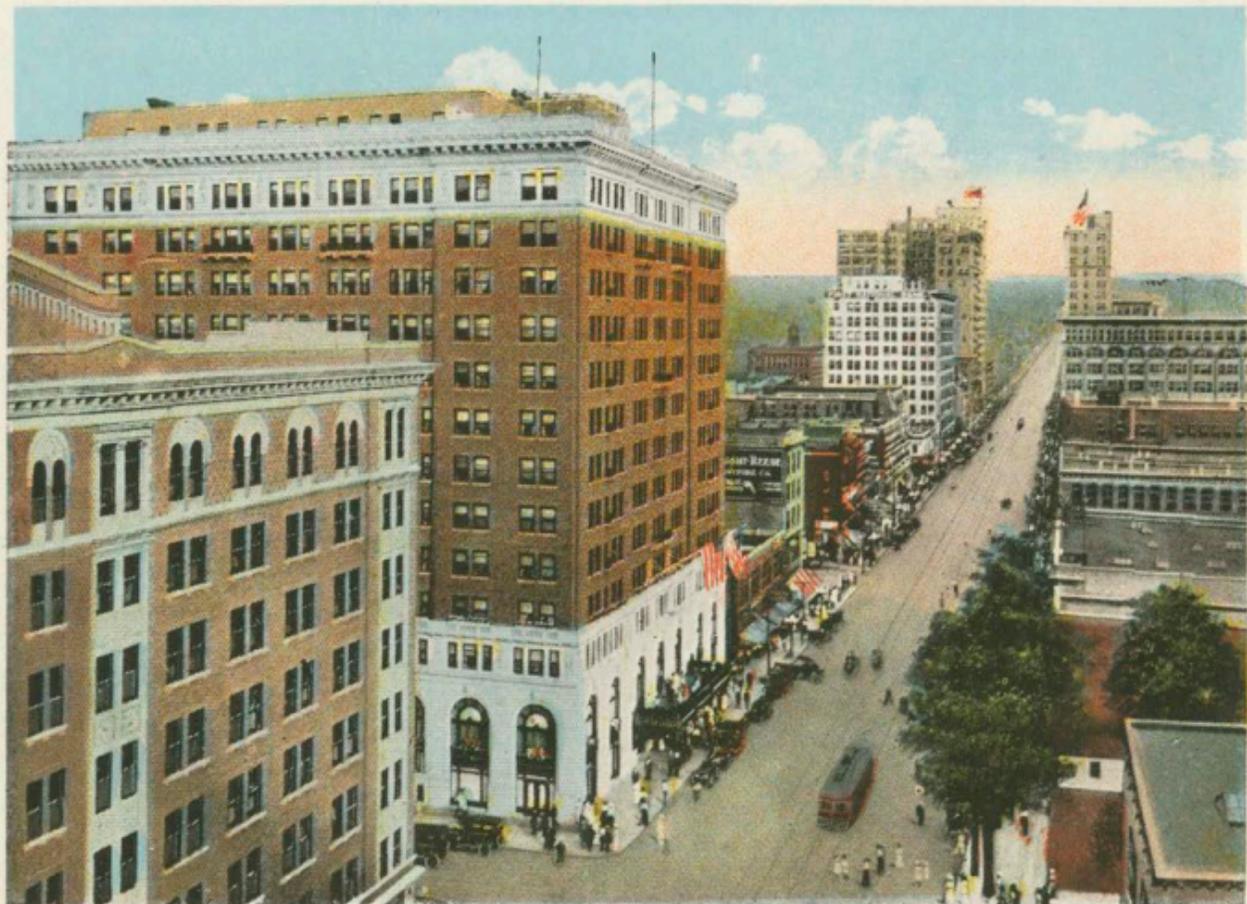


A VIEW OF RESIDENCE SECTION IN NORWOOD ON 32ND STREET.

JEFFERSON COUNTY SAVINGS BANK.



SECOND AVE. AND 21ST STREET.



TWENTIETH STREET, LOOKING SOUTH FROM Y. M. C. A. BUILDING.

PANORAMA LOOKING NORTH FROM SHADES MOUNTAIN



FOUR MILES SOUTH OF BIRMINGHAM.



A DRIVEWAY TO MOUNTAIN TERRACE.



Power House and Dam at Lock No. 12
on Coosa River, Alabama Power Co.

