

LOST IN THE MOUNTAINS

There was a little excitement in town last Sunday evening about 8 o'clock. Robert Edgren and Malcom Hayes had not been home to supper, their parents didn't know where they were. Parties going to church noticed a small fire about half way up the mountain. But it could not be seen distinctly owing to the heavy mist. It was thought that perhaps the boys had gone up the mountain had been overtaken by darkness and had built this fire to let those below know where they were. This theory proved to be correct. A party was made up consisting of B. S. Hayes, F.M. Monroe, Ed Chess, and Gus Morgan. They headed for the bonfire and after a very tedious trip reached their destination and sure enough here were the two boys sitting around their campfire. They were glad enough when assistance came although they were not frightened and intended remaining awake all night and keep up their fire. The Party arrived home about 1:30 o'clock in the morning. The youths started out at 3:30 Sunday afternoon for a walk. They entered Santa Anita Canyon and had intended to come out over the foothill mountain and arrive home before dark. Rob says the canyon went the wrong way (Guess it was the boys) and so they lost their way. They are quite heroes among the other boys now.

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Must the saloon go?
Now the fun will begin.
Will we have to incorporate?
We'll want a police force now!
The vigilante committee was not vigilant.
What are you going to do about it, citizens?
Cry "No whisky," and let loose the dogs of war!
Vigilantes, give an account of your stewardship.
A saloon has been opened out in the billiard room.
The *Planet* rises on both feet and says; "the saloon must go!"

ANOTHER PAPER

It is announced that another newspaper will be started in Monrovia before long. When it makes its appearance the *Planet* will extend the right hand of fellowship. There is nothing that will help a town so well as a good newspaper. It is said the new sheet will be a "rustler." The parties who went down into their pockets to pay for it should remember that the *Planet* struggled through the heat and burden of the day, unaided by any pecuniary assistance other than what it gave value for. This fact should not be overlooked. The *Planet* does not, never did, and never will ask support from anyone who considers that it is not justly deserving of it. The pioneer paper has made friends – the right kind of ones – and hopes and expects to retain them, which time will no doubt demonstrate. As was said before, the new paper will be welcome the same as any other business enterprise and it is hoped that the town will be benefited as well as the coffers of the enterprise enriched.

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ANOTHER LOT DONATION

Following up the good act of last week in giving a lot toward the Methodist Church organ fund. The same gentleman – J. S. Keefer - has given one to the Baptist Church, the receipts of said lot to go toward an organ for that church. These are very generous gifts for this gentleman. Monrovia people don't do things by halves. It is expected to see two very handsome pipe organs in these churches before many months.

POMOLOGICAL SOCIETY

First Horticultural and Industrial Exposition

It is a pity that the attendance at the Pomological Fair has been so small, for it is worth a much better patronage.

The fair is held in the Pavilion, Los Angeles. The address of welcome was made by H.T. Hazard and replied to by General W.A. Pile of Monrovia.

The display of fruit far surpasses everything ever seen in Los Angeles.

Among the many kinds of fruit display were oranges, lemons, apples, pears, plums, pomegranates, prunes, figs, quince, bananas, crab apples, and grapes.

The dried fruits consisting of apricots, peaches, pears, prunes, figs, nectarines and raisins, was exceedingly fine, as was also the preserves and jellies.

There were onions grown without irrigation that yielded over 600 sacks to the acre. (By the way, how much is this land worth when onions bring \$1 a sack?) The same soil raised 300 sacks of potatoes to the acre. There were pumpkins weighing 186 pounds and watermelons 100. Corn that was 18.8 feet high. Ten varieties of grapes were exhibited from Tustin.

Want of space will not permit us giving a more detailed account of the exhibit.

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A METHODIST PARSONAGE

At a meeting of the stewards of the Methodist church, held on Monday evening last, it was deemed advisable and expedient to inquire into the ways and means, and they are now at work to that end.

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THE RAPID TRANSIT

Although there is very little said in connection with the Rapid Transit Railway, running between Monrovia and Los Angeles, matters are progressing very favorably. For the past week W.N. Monroe, E.W. Little and others have been securing the right of way for the road which duty has nearly been completed. Tis expected that the contract will be let this week.

A HANSOME EDIFICE

Dedication of the Monrovia M.E. Church

Dedicatory Sermon Preached by Bishop Walden

Rev. Dr. Wood Preaches in the Evening

No services were held in the Baptist and Congregational churches, on Sunday the 11th instant, so as to give every person an opportunity of attending the dedication services in the Methodist Episcopal Church. The auditorium was packed, notwithstanding the extreme heat of the morning.

The following clergymen were present: Bishop Walden, of Ohio; Presiding Elder Farnsworth, Los Angeles; Rev. W.M. Sterling, pastor of the church; Rev. Charles Shelling, of Alhambra; Rev. Dr. Wood, of South Pasadena; Rev. D.H. Colcord of the Congregational church, and Rev. J.H. Reider of the Baptist church, Monrovia.

At 11 o'clock the services began with "Praise God from whom all belssing flow," which was followed by an anthem, "The Lord id King," by the choir. The Presideing Elder then led inpryer, which was followed by Torrington's "Abide With Me," acceptably sung by Mrs. J. W. Harvey. The first and second lessons were then read by Revs. Reider and Colcord respectively. The congregation joined in singing hymn 620.

The dedicatory sermon was then preached by Bishop walden, from Matthew 11:27. The sermon was listened to throughout wit the closest attention. It was masterly discourse. The preacher spoke as one with authority and the congregation could not help being impressed with his words.

Hymn 518 was then sung, after which General Pile was introduced, who read a financial statement of church.

The church building was stated when Monrovia was in its infancy, abiut one year ago, and a handsomer, more complete and comfortable edifice cannot be found for its size. "It's a perfect gem," is the prevailing opinion. The colors of the frescing, the carpet and the furniture blend nicely together, making the whole very harmonious. The stained glass windows are "things of beauty," and reflect great credit upon the artistic tastes of the trustees who made the selection. The decorations are painted by Professor Barra, the senic and frescoing artist of Los Angeles. It is 60x64 feet, with a dome ceiling 30 feet high in the auditorium. There is a Sunday School room on the south side, with a seating capacity of 150. A large class room is on the south side. Dividing these rooms from the

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Auditorium is glass partitions, and the whole can be thrown into one audience room. On the south side is also a galley, with a seating capacity of 100. The whole church will seat about 500. The pulpit is on the north side and its furniture is of modern design and tasty. The choir gallery is behind the pulpit. The opera chairs have not yet arrived, other chair being used temporarily. There are three entrances to the church. In the tower is the minister's study. Upstairs on the east side is a large ladies' parlor. The cost of the building is as follows:

Contract price	\$6,000
Frescoing	640
Stained and embossed glass windows, etc.	1,042
Chairs, carpets, chandeliers, lamps pulpit furniture etc.	1,375
Incidental expenses	500
Total	\$9,557

The payments and resources are as follows:

Paid to contractors from proceeds of subscriptions, donations, sales of donated lots, etc.	\$3,000
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Paid for frescoing from receipts of the Star Course of entertainment, excursion etc.	640
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Note received for donated lot sold	1,000
Note received for donated lot sold	700

Cash value of donated lot on hand	1,000
Loan from Board of Church Extension	1,500
Donation	500
To be raised	1,217
Total	\$9557

General Pile, on behalf of the trustees, publicly thanked all persons who had in any way given assistance toward the church.

The Bishop then asked to wipe out the indebtedness. In less than five minutes the required sum was raised but things did not stop there. In about twenty-five minutes the sum of \$2205 was subscribed and contributed by a basket collection.

The following is a list of the subscriptions:

B. Bradley	100
General Pile	100

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Miss. L.J. Phelps	100
A.L. Fell	100
W.N. Monroe	100
B. A. Rice	100
W.E. Pile	100
Johnson & Parker	100
Mr. A.L. Fell	50
E.J. Martin	50
E.W. Little	50
Mrs. E.W. Little	50
W.H. Ames	50
Vanderink & Improvement Co.	50
S.R. Palmer	50
Mrs. W.A. Pile	50
J.W. Harvey	50
S.A. Maxwell	50
Jennie Bowerman	25
Addie Bowerman	25
B.S. Hayes	25
Mrs. C.L. Wilson	25
Mrs. Clapp	25
S.P. Metcalf	25
Captain William Smith	25
L.B. Sherwood	25
A.L. Holt	25
George O. Monroe	25
C.C. Hotchkiss	25
E.S. Armstrong	25
M.S. Monroe	25
W.S. Hall	25
Dr. W.S. George	25
George E. Whitcomb	25
V. Zimmerman	25
Mrs. B. A. Rice	25
Mrs. C. J. Field	25
Miss. Evelyn Martin	10
Miss Myrtle Monroe	10
H. Biggins	10
May Bradley	10
A. Parker	10
J.M. Pile	10

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Mr. Blank	10
H.L. Cochran	10
Rev. Charles Shelling	10

J. S. Keefer donates a \$750 lot toward a pipe organ.

Mr. Abbot gives \$250 toward a bell.

Mr. Sykes will give \$200 toward a Sunday school library

A. Parker will give \$100 toward paying the janitor for one year.

Mrs. C.A. Campbell presented the church with a handsome large bible accompanied by a revised addition and a hymnbook.

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A horse belonging to William Sinclair took fright Wednesday afternoon and ran away. Those in the carriage jumped out leaving a little child alone. The wagon was run against a tree. However, the child was not hurt.

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Dr. F.P. Cave, from New York, is going to build a residence on Palm Avenue east of Charlotte and will practice his profession here.

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A large number of the principal streets of town were cleaned up and graded this week.
The appearance is an improvement.

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Water has been turned into the new reservoir and we'll have a much better force now.

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On Thursday W.N. Monroe sold 3 acres on Myrtle Avenue above White Oak for \$4,000
an acre.

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A cement sidewalk should be built the entire length of Myrtle Avenue – and there is some talk of it.

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Lessons given in oil painting by Mrs. A.D. McCall, Primrose Avenue above White Oak.

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The county fair will be held in Downey on the 4, 5, 6, an 7th of October.

CLEANING UP

The *Planet* mentioned last week that it would be a good scheme to clean up the streets and lots around town that the town; the town would present a much better appearance generally and property that was for sale would go off more readily. A largely signed subscription list was shown a Planet reporter this week for this purpose. It is the intention to remove all weeds and debris from the following avenues: Magnolia, Primrose, Myrtle, Ivy, Charlotte, White Oak, Lime, Lemon, Orange, Olive, and Walnut. Those who would not give toward the general fund are requested to clean up their own property. Take an interest in your own town. Cleanliness is next to godliness.

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Mr. Faunce is building a cottage on Charlotte Avenue near Maple.

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There is to be another barbershop in town.

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J. S. Keefer has commenced some of his cottages on the Ocean tract.

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Dr. George has commenced his cottage on J.I.C. Avenue below White Oak.

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Rev. J. H. Reider expects to build a residence on Primrose Avenue in the near future.

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The First National Bank of Monrovia has its own bill circulation. They are extremely neat.

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"Dude" the San Pedro Lumber Company's horse ran away Monday evening and was found 2 miles from home and very badly used up.

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Another car has arrived and will be put on the Myrtle Avenue. Street Railway Line the better to accommodate the travelling public.

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Parties are negotiating for the purchase of the northeast corner of Lemon and Ivy
Avenues. A fine brick building will be erected therefore if sold.

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Wednesday was a very hot day but a present, from William Sinclair, the baker, of a pitcher of ice cream made the hearts of the *Planet* staff rejoice.

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THE San Gabriel MINES
The Canyon Veins to be Extensively Developed

An English Company to Spend Half a Million Dollars

It is sometimes said that this country needs other industries than that of fruit raising to make it prosperous. So she will have. New industries are being weekly started. One of the best for this section of the country – the San Gabriel Valley – is that reported by the Los Angeles Times. The ore veins in the San Gabriel canyon are about to be extensively developed.

A wealthy English syndicate has been organized, and they have already commenced operations of thoroughly developing the mines, which they now own.

The lowest grade ores are calculated to be no less than 17,000,000 tons of good silver bearing rock. The largest of known ledges is calculated to be 8,000,000 tons, and Mr. Defty thinks this will ultimately be one of the largest mining operations in the world.

A plan for a mill is now being laid, and as almost any amount of water can be obtained from the canyon, it is expected that an increase of from 5 to 100 tons a day can be handled with ease. The drift now being worked, it is thought, strike the richest portion of the ledge, and is so situated as to be favorable to drainage and easy hauling.

All the latest machinery to save expenses has been ordered and some of its on the ground. It is expected that one man's labor can be easily made to bring from 50 to 100 tons per day to the "breakers" which prepare the large rock for the mill.

Everything is to be constructed with economy in view and at the same time to get the best results from the leanest ores.

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Mrs. C. J. Field has gone to Los Angeles to reside.

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Dr. C.H. Stewart will be here in a few days.

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James Johnson, of Michigan, visited the Chess boys this week.

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Dr. O.A. Wheeler and family of Massachusetts have come to Monrovia to live.

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Mrs. E.W. Little is in Los Angeles as a delegate to the Methodist Conference.

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Mrs. A. Nye of Northwood, Iowa and family have taken up their residence in Monrovia and as is natural they are very much pleased with our thriving town. Miss Nye intends organizing a music group.

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The next boom will be in cement sidewalks.

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The owners of Bradbury Park tract in Monrovia are sparing no pains or expense to make this the finest and most desirable locations for residences in Monrovia. They are laying out extra wide streets, extra large lots and alleys through the entire tract. They will have this property on the market some time in October next. All lots will have water free of charge and piped to every lot and those who are fortunate enough to secure a few lots at first prices which will be very low doubtless will reap big profits.