



HIGH SCHOOL

he Great Manufacturing and Jobbing

Center of the Southwest

1907

INTRODUCTORY

IN presenting you with this book, it is not alone as a "souvenir" but to show you by actual illustrations what Fort Smith is, and what she has to offer the investor, homeseeker, merchant and manufacturer.

All of the views in this book were made especially for this work, and the aim has been to present to you, through the media of the camera, engraver and printer's art, Fort Smith as she is today.

Yours very truly,

A. OWEN JENNINGS, Publisher Springfield, Mo.



A City Without a Dollar of Municipal Indebtedness

A Plain Statement of Facts About Fort Smith, Arkansas

Structures costing over \$2,500.....\$425,000

Structures costing over \$2,500....\$125,000
Structures costing under \$2,500....\$137,000
Total..

Bales of cotton handled in season in Fort Smith
Coal Tonnage (mined annually).

Average annual rainfall - inches
Average annual temperature.

Area of City in square miles. ...

Railroads (main or trunk lines)
Passenger trains dally.
Miles from St. Louis
Miles from Kansas City
Miles from Galveston.

Miles from New Orleans
Miles from Dallas.
Miles from Denver.

Miles from Memphis.....

Population 1900,... Building Permits in 1906....... 11,587—1907,...... 31,000

Total.. \$662,000

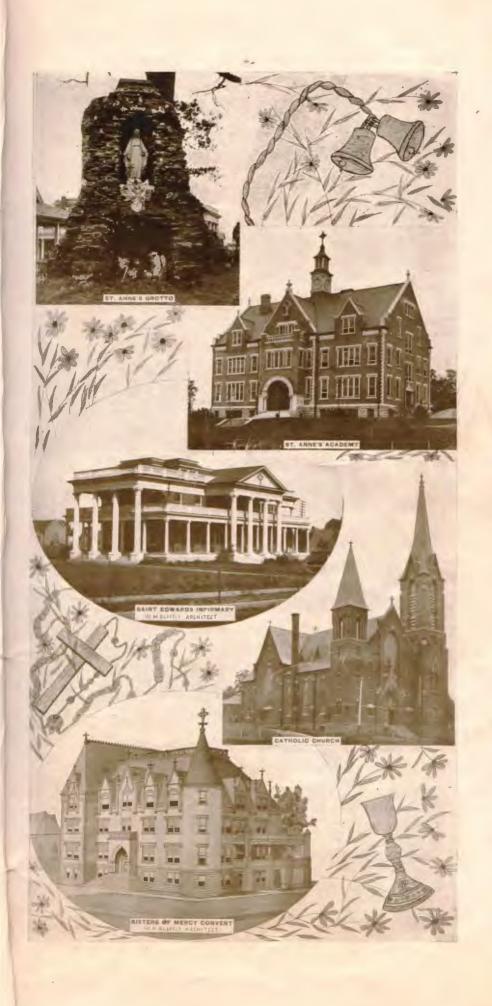
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| Miles of water mains | 34 |
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| Capacity of pumps per day (gallons) | 15,000,000 |
| Average daily water consumption | 3,000,000 |
| Number of street arc lights | 250 |
| Number of lights, 16 candle power, used | 40,000- |
| Miles of electric street railway | 30 |
| Miles of sewerage (31 miles completed—44 building) | 75. |
| Phones used in city | 3,000 |
| Daily newspapers | 3, |
| Weekly newspapers | 5 |
| Private schools | 4 |
| Public schools | 11 |
| Per cent increase in 2 years in daily attendance | 30. |
| Public School Funds— | |
| Real estate | |
| Invested in public buildings, (equipped) 400,000 Amount due on loans 96,000 Total. | \$996,000 |
| Churches | 20 |
| | 2 |
| HospitalsBanks—Capital surplus and undivided profits\$2 | |
| Combined denosits | C69 917 86 |
| Combined deposits | 228 00 |
| Manufacturing plants, 50—value production per annum\$ | 30,000,000 |
| Wholesale and jobbing firms, 71—annual sales | 40,000,000 |
| Valuation of city real estate, ass'd on basis of 30 per cent.\$ | 25,000.000 |
| Annual tax rate (mills) | 23.5 |
| Bank Clearances (estimated)\$ | |
| Statement of Post Office receipts, (official figures) ending | , , |
| fiscal years, June 30— | |
| Gross receipts, 1900 | 30,918.53 |
| Gross receipts, 1906 \$ | 64,522 29 |
| Increase\$ | 33,604.06 |
| Per cent increase | 108- |
| Money orders, 1900 | 6.417 |
| Money orders, 1906 | 18,122 |
| Increase | 11,705 |
| Per cent increase | 182 |
| Registers, 1900 | 2.764 |
| Registers, 1906 | 10,053 |
| Increase | 7,289 |
| Per cent increase | 263 |
| Transit registers, 1900 | 7,200 |
| Transit registers, 1906 | 63,217 56,017 |
| Increase | 778 |
| Per cent increase | 110 |
| Fort Smith is now building 71 miles of street pavemen | nt and 44 |
| miles of sewerage. It is the center of what is now reg | arded the |
| strongest gas field in the Union. It is the center of 3.500 square miles | |
| strongest gas field in the Union. It is the center of 3,500 square miles of semi-anthracite coal fields. The latest government reports credit | |
| Arkansas with one-tenth the total available supply of hard and soft | |
| timber of the United States. Fort Smith reaches this supply at a | |
| maximum of 8c per 100 pounds. It vies with Grand Rapids in furni- | |
| ture manufacturing. Its shale deposits are second to none in the Union. | |
| It is the one strategic city in the United States for the manufacturing | |
| of all the necessaries of commerce, possessing as it does the fuel and raw material at hand. For further information address, | |
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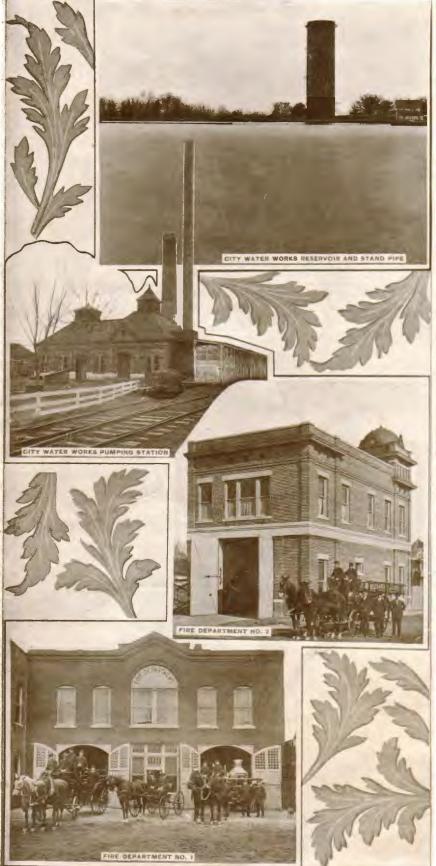
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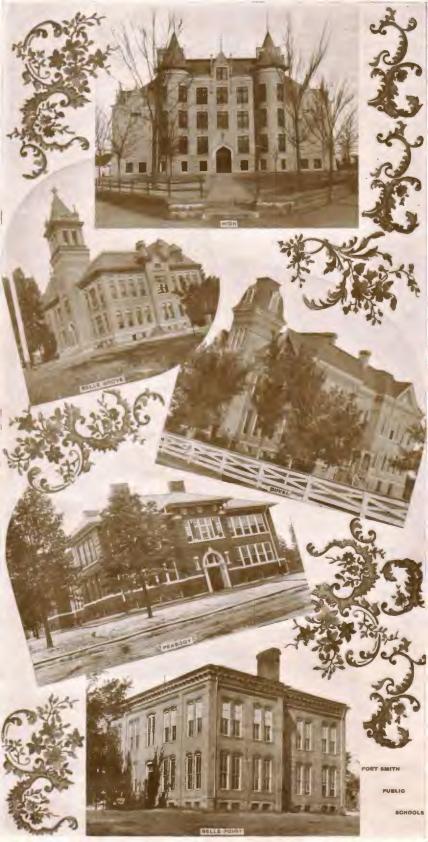




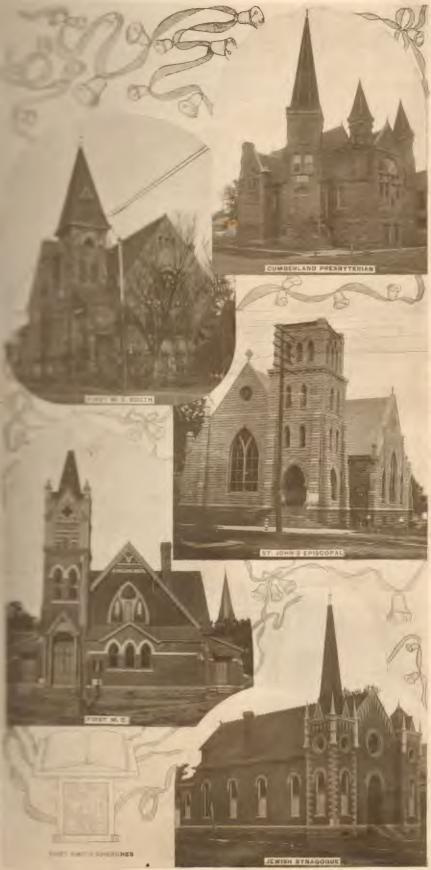










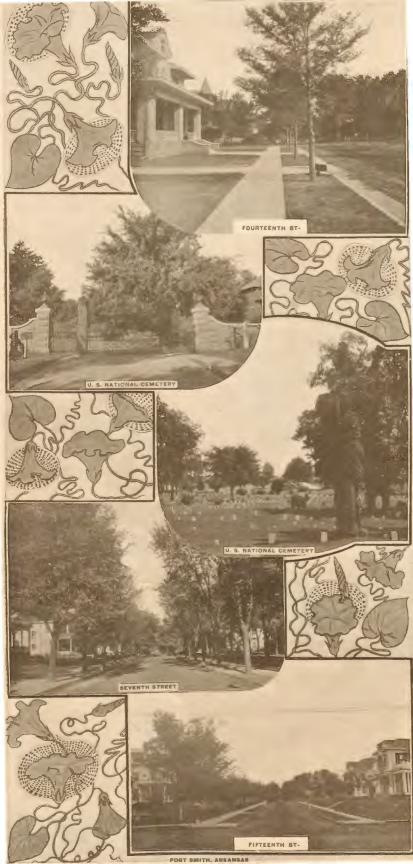




























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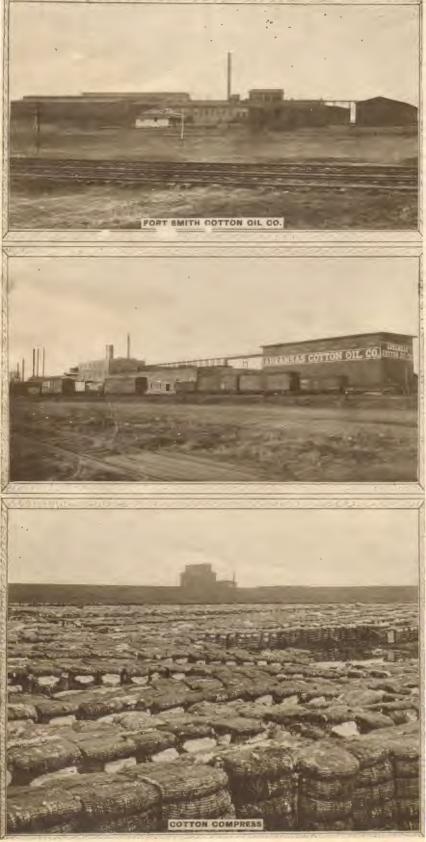
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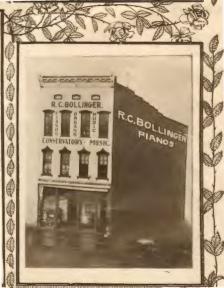






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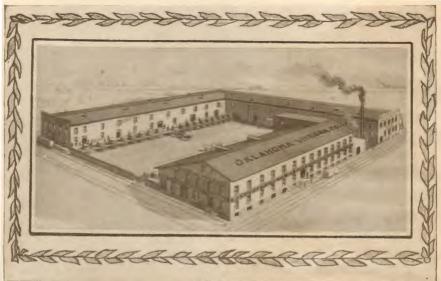


















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