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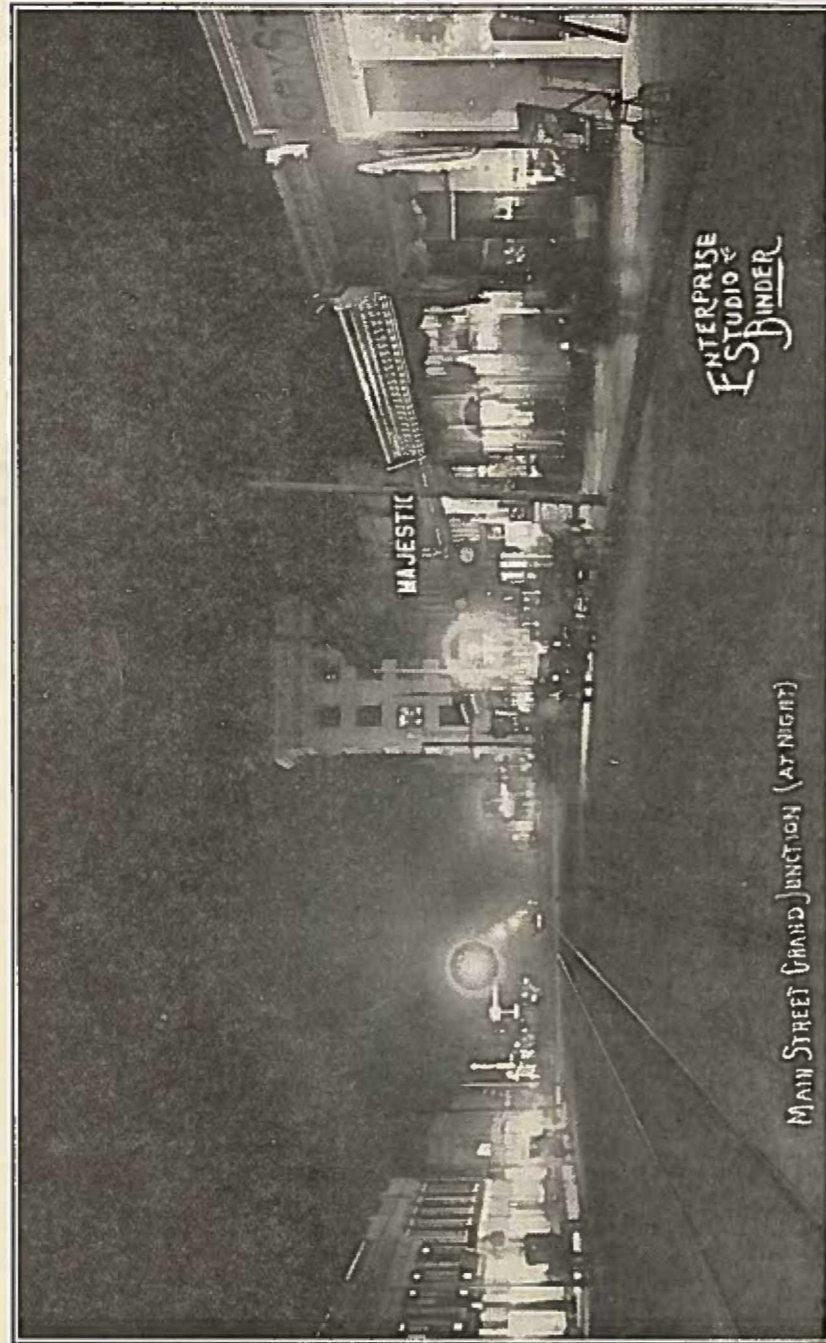
## CITY of GRAND JUNCTION

### Publication of Annual and Other Reports.

66. **Publicity Records and Reports.**—Each of said commissioners shall keep a record book in which shall be recorded a brief but comprehensive record of all department affairs under his charge as soon as performed and shall quarterly render to the city council a full report of all operations of such department, and shall annually, and oftener if required by the city council, make a synopsis thereof for publication. All such records shall be kept open for public inspection. The council shall provide for the publication of such annual or other reports, and of such portion of the quarterly reports, as to it may seem advisable. Each commissioner shall also make and keep a complete inventory and permanent record of all the personal property of his department and what disposition, if any, has been made of the same.”  
—Article VII, Section 66 of the City Charter.

The executive and administrative powers, authority and duties of the city are distributed among five departments:

- Department of Public Affairs.
- Department of Water and Sewers.
- Department of Finance and Supplies.
- Department of Highways.
- Department of Health and Civic Beauty.



GRAND JUNCTION'S "WHITE WAY"—MAIN STREET AT NIGHT FROM SIXTH STREET.

## ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

### ORDINANCE NO. 215.

The Annual Appropriation Ordinance of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, Providing for the Expenses and Liabilities of the City of Grand Junction, for the Fiscal Year Beginning January First, A. D. 1914, and Ending December 31, A. D. 1914.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO:

Section 1. That the following sums of money or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same are hereby appropriated for the purposes of defraying the necessary expenses and liabilities of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, for the fiscal year beginning January 1, A. D. 1914, and ending December 31, A. D. 1914, to-wit:

First: For maintaining the fire department.....	\$ 5,300.00
Second: For maintaining the police department.....	5,000.00
Third: For lighting the streets and public buildings.....	8,200.00
Fourth: For maintaining and operating the city water works.....	5,500.00
Fifth: For maintaining, improving and repairing streets and alleys and water for irrigation .....	12,900.00
Sixth: For maintaining the health department.....	4,000.00
Seventh: For improvement and care of the public parks.....	2,300.00
Eighth: For the maintenance of the free public library.....	2,000.00
Ninth: For salaries of city officers and employes.....	9,100.00
Tenth: For the general fund.....	6,000.00
Eleventh: Interest on outstanding city warrants.....	1,000.00
Twelfth: For special assessments in paving districts.....	737.00
Thirteenth: For interest on water bonds.....	29,850.00
Fourteenth: For maintenance and repairs of city sewers.....	500.00

Sec. 2. That for the purpose of defraying expenses and liabilities of the said city of Grand Junction, Colorado, for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 1914, and ending December 31, 1914, there shall be and hereby is levied and assessed upon all the taxable property situated within the corporate limits of the city of Grand Junction, both real and personal, the following amounts for special and general taxes, to-wit:

- 1st. For the purpose of defraying the expenses and maintenance of the free public library, a tax of two-tenths of one mill on each dollar of said property so assessed or to be assessed.
- 2nd. For the purpose of purchasing the necessary real estate and constructing thereon a fire house and city jail, one mill.
- 3rd. For the purpose of defraying the necessary expenses and liabilities of the said city of Grand Junction, and for the payment of interest on outstanding bonds, a tax of six and fifty-six hundredths mills on each dollar of said property so assessed or to be assessed.
- 4th. For the purpose of paying the interest on outstanding warrants and paying special assessments on local improvements, twenty-four one-hundredths of one mill on each dollar of said property so assessed or to be assessed.

Passed and adopted, this 28th day of November, 1913.

(SEAL:)

CHAS. E. CHERRINGTON, Mayor.

Attest: CHARLES K. HOLMBURG, City Clerk.

## SUMMARY OF COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

YEAR 1918.

**January 7**—Quarterly reports of Commissioners and city officers submitted. Balance in Kannah Creek fund transferred to Special Water fund. Balance in Sewer District No. 1 fund transferred to Special Sewer fund. Commissioner of Highways authorized to enter into contract for construction of re-inforced concrete bridge at Eighth street and North avenue.

**Jan. 14-17**—Annual reports of city officers submitted. Ordinance No. 207, an ordinance in relation to municipal civil service, passed. Annual reports of Commissioners received.

**Feb. 25**—Commissioner of Water and Sewers instructed to construct a cut-over in sewer from First and Main streets to alley on Spruce and Main streets, about 550 feet, to relieve sewer between Rood avenue and Main street. S. J. Scovill appointed city scavenger.

**March 4**—Ordinance No. 208, amending section 40 of Ordinance No. 178, passed. City engineer instructed to make survey of tillable land in Palmer Park.

**March 28**—Arc light ordered placed at intersection of Tenth street and Chipeta avenue. Commissioner of Finance and Supplies instructed to purchase one Case road grader.

**April 2**—Commissioner of Finance and Supplies authorized to fix a price of \$1,500 for Jaynesville pump and \$3,500 for Laidlaw-Gordon-Dun pump f. o. b. Grand Junction to prospective purchasers.

**April 8**—S. R. Schaeffer, expert public accountant, employed to audit city's books and accounts for year 1913, for \$375.00. Quarterly reports of city officers received.

**April 12**—Resignation of S. B. Hutchinson, chief of police, accepted, to take effect April 16.

**April 15**—Petition of W. H. Hammontree and others, asking creation of sidewalk district, presented and referred to city attorney and clerk.

**April 22**—Quarterly reports of Commissioners received. Resolution passed ordering construction of sidewalk on north Eighth street.

**April 29**—Wm. A. Knoche appointed special night policeman for residence district, and J. A. Matthews appointed chief of police.

**May 6**—Quarterly reports of Commissioners received. Report of S. R. Schaeffer, certified public accountant, on examination of city's books and accounts received. Resolution passed prohibiting the bringing of dogs in grocery stores.

**May 13**—Ordinance No. 209, amending Ordinance No. 206, passed.

**May 19**—Resolution passed, declaring intention to create Sidewalk District No. 1. Maps, specifications and estimates of proposed district filed by City Engineer, and resolution passed adopting same.

**May 20**—A communication from the City Attorney and N. C. Miller, rendering opinion on question as to whether city has authority to acquire by condemnation the electric light plant, received.

**May 27**—Ordinance No. 210, concerning licenses, passed. Claim of City of DeBeque for \$103.75, amount of taxes erroneously paid city of Grand Junction, ordered paid.

**June 3**—Mayor instructed to negotiate for the purchase by the city of Lots 25, 26 and 27, in Block 127.

**June 21**—Resolution passed establishing Sidewalk District No. 1.

**June 25**—The bid of James N. Wright & Co., offering par, less \$100.00, for bonds of Sidewalk District No. 1, accepted. Daily Sentinel designated as official newspaper.

**July 1**—Ordinance No. 211, licensing clairvoyants and fortune tellers, passed.

**July 29**—Semi-annual report of City Clerk and Auditor received. John W. Johnston appointed street cleaner. Resolution relating to contract with E. H. Rollins & Sons for sale of Kannah Creek bonds, passed.

**Aug. 5**—\$550.00 received from sale of Boiler No. 4 ordered placed in Special Water fund, and \$171.18, expense incurred in repair of sewer in alley between Main and Rood and Fourth and Fifth streets, ordered paid out of Special Water fund. City Engineer instructed to make survey of Kannah Creek water shed.

**Aug. 9**—Bid of Colorado Portland Cement Co. for furnishing cement for Sidewalk District No. 1, at \$272 per barrel net f. o. b. Grand Junction, accepted.

**Aug. 12**—The appointment of Wm. A. Knoche, patrolman, and A. P. Crooks, fireman and driver of fire auto, under civil service rules, confirmed by the Council. Depository bond of U. S. Bank and Trust Co. accepted.

**Aug. 20**—Ordinance No. 212, providing for permanent registration lists of qualified voters of the city, passed. Resolution passed instructing Commissioner of Highways to cause sidewalk to be constructed on north Eighth street.

**Sept. 2**—Commissioner of Finance and Supplies authorized to sell building on Lots 25, 26 and 27, Block 127, to highest bidder.

**Sept. 9**—Street privileges granted to Fair association for fair week. Report of audit of city's books and accounts by S. R. Schaeffer, expert accountant, received and accepted.

**Sept. 16**—Request of Committee of Seventy to submit propositions and proposed ordinances at coming election granted, and city attorney instructed to prepare necessary resolutions to submit same; also request of Chamber of Commerce in reference to tax levy for publicity purposes.

**Oct. 1**—Ordinance providing for emergency appropriation for city water works passed. An ordinance concerning the addition of certain territory (Mildale) to Election Precinct No. 12, passed as an emergency ordinance. Statement of Mayor, showing whole cost of improvements made in and for Paving District No. 2, filed. Resolution passed approving said statement and accepting said improvements. Wm. A. Knoche appointed a regular policeman at a salary of \$80 per month.

**Oct. 14**—Petition of G. F. Parker and others to submit charter amendment granted; also petition of J. B. Fonder and others. Resolutions passed submitting several measures, propositions and ordinances to a vote of the people. Quarterly reports of Commissioners received. W. L. Waite appointed street cleaner.

Oct. 20—Commissioner of Finance and Supplies submitted annual city estimate of receipts and expenditures for fiscal year 1914.

Oct. 23—Nominations for election officers received from candidates and appointments made for the several election precincts.

Nov. 6—Returns of election held November 4th canvassed and results declared. Apportionment of cost of improvements in Paving District No. 2 confirmed. Statement of whole cost of improvements in and for Sidewalk District No. 1 by Mayor, accepted, and resolution passed approving said statement and accepting said improvements.

Nov. 11—Chas. E. Cherrington, Mayor-elect, and Frank L. Carson, Commissioner of Water and Sewers-elect, filed bonds and took oath of office. New Council convened. Henry Tupper re-appointed City Attorney. Dr. Carl W. Plumb re-appointed City Health Officer. Frank R. Hall appointed City Engineer. Resolution passed authorizing agreement with C. P. McCary for sale of Lot 16, Block 125, for \$7,000. Daily Sentinel designated as official newspaper until July 1, 1914.

Nov. 14—Statement showing whole cost of improvements made in and for Paving District No. 3 filed and accepted, and resolution passed accepting said improvements.

Nov. 28—Annual appropriation ordinance passed and adopted. Ordinance No. 216, approving whole cost of improvements in Paving District No. 2, passed. Commissioner of Finance and Supplies instructed to notify Equitable Surety Co. of closing of Mesa County National Bank.

Dec. 2—C. H. Wallis appointed Chief of Police.

Dec. 9—Building at 725 Rood avenue declared unsafe and ordered to be torn down or repaired. Resolution passed confirming apportionment of costs of improvements in Sidewalk District No. 1.

Dec. 12—Mayor and Clerk authorized to enter into an agreement with owner for purchase of Lot 3 and west half of lot 4, Block 127, for new Fire House.

Dec. 16—Resolution passed confirming apportionment of costs of improvements in Paving District No. 3. Ordinance No. 217, providing for an emergency appropriation of \$300 for city water works, passed.

Dec. 20—Building at 635 White avenue declared to be unsafe and owner ordered to tear down or repair same. Warrant ordered drawn for \$662.50 for payment on Lot 3 and west half Lot 4, Block 127.

Dec. 23—Depositary bond of U. S. Bank and Trust Co. accepted. Building at 620 Main street declared unsafe and owner ordered to tear down or repair same.

Dec. 26—Ordinance No. 218, an ordinance approving whole cost of improvements in Sidewalk District No. 1, passed.

Dec. 30-31—Ordinance No. 219, an ordinance approving the whole cost of improvements in Paving District No. 3, passed and adopted. Commissioner of Finance and Supplies authorized to purchase flour, coal and groceries in the approximate amount of \$200, to be used for emergency cases of destitute poor and needy of the city.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF COMMISSIONER PUBLIC AFFAIRS

To The City Commissioners of Grand Junction, Colorado.

GENTLEMEN:

I herewith submit the annual report of the departments in charge of the Commissioner of Public Affairs ending December 31st, 1913:

### LIGHT DEPARTMENT.

Street Lighting.....	\$7,509.13	
City Hall .....	34.00	
Fire Station .....	64.90	
Library .....	116.90	
<b>TOTAL .....</b>		<b>\$7,724.93</b>

### FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Salaries of regular Firemen.....	\$4,149.65	
Volunteer Firemen .....	267.50	
Fuel and Supplies.....	285.93	
Repairs and Renewal—Buildings.....	342.00	
Repairs and Renewal—Equipment.....	352.04	
Miscellaneous .....	102.45	
<b>TOTAL .....</b>		<b>\$5,499.57</b>

### POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Salaries of Chief and Regular Policemen.....	\$3,487.00	
Salaries of Special Police.....	420.50	
Bootlegging Expense, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Quarters.....	780.80	
Prisoners' Board.....	120.00	
Hauling Prisoners .....	3.00	
Hauling Dead Animals.....	37.00	
Fuel and Supplies.....	197.00	
Miscellaneous .....	153.50	
<b>TOTAL .....</b>		<b>\$5,199.46</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL .....</b>		<b>\$18,423.96</b>

### MUNICIPAL COURT.

#### Receipts and Disbursements.

Fines Collected .....	\$ 271.00	
Costs Collected .....	324.00	
Cash Paid to City Treasurer.....		\$ 595.00
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$ 595.55</b>	<b>\$ 595.55</b>

Number of Arrests .....	131	
Drunk .....	94	
Disorderly .....	18	
Vags .....	4	
Prostitution .....	2	
Loitering .....	1	
Auto Speeding .....	11	
Carrying Fire Arms.....	1	
<b>TOTAL .....</b>		<b>131 131</b>

Also please find hereto attached an inventory of the equipment and supplies of the Fire Department on hand December 31st, 1913, at the fire station. Also report of the Chief and Secretary of the Fire Department.

Respectfully submitted,  
**CHAS. E. CHERRINGTON,**  
Mayor.



ANIMAL DRINKING FOUNTAIN, FIFTH ST. AND ROOD AVE.  
 (Presented to City by the National Humane Alliance.)  
 Herman Lee Ensign, Founder.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF WATER AND SEWERS

Grand Junction, Colorado.  
 January 10, 1914.

TO THE HON. MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS OF THE  
 CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION.

GENTLEMEN:

I beg to submit the report of the Department of Water and Sewers for the  
 year ending December 31st, 1913.

Following is a detailed statement of the expenditures of the Department:

WATER FUND.	
General Expenses—Office.	
Clerical Work, etc .....	\$ 222.29
Printing and Stationery .....	170.28
Miscellaneous .....	119.80
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>\$ 512.37</b>
PIPE LINE AND RESERVOIRS.	
Labor and Team Work .....	\$1,381.70
Tools and Supplies .....	39.55
Miscellaneous .....	247.71
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>\$1,668.96</b>
STREET MAINS CONSTRUCTION.	
Labor .....	\$ 239.25
Pipe and Supplies .....	204.95
Miscellaneous .....	52.50
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>\$ 496.70</b>
STREET MAINS REPAIRS.	
Labor .....	\$2,241.45
Pipe and Supplies .....	807.80
Miscellaneous .....	671.41
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>\$3,720.66</b>
KANNAH CREEK INTAKE.	
Labor .....	\$ 803.30
Supplies .....	12.50
Telephone Line .....	30.00
Miscellaneous .....	46.50
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>\$ 892.30</b>
<b>Total Expended</b> .....	<b>\$7,290.00</b>
SPECIAL WATER FUND.	
WATER MAINS.	
Extensions and Repairs.	
Labor and Team Work .....	\$2,181.30
Pipe and Supplies .....	4,744.71
Miscellaneous .....	678.19
<b>NET EXPENDED</b> .....	<b>\$7,604.20</b>

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS.**

**Estimated Value of Water Plant.**

Kannah Creek Pipe Line.....	\$500,000.00
Pumping Plant .....	6,000.00
Reservoirs .....	18,000.00
Street Mains and Hydrants.....	175,000.00
Machinery, Pipe and Supplies.....	4,482.00
Horses and Wagons .....	200.00
Cash on Hand January 1, 1914.....	5,500.00
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$709,182.00</b>

Having been in office only fifty days, I have not had sufficient time to become acquainted with the conditions of the water and sewer systems as I would like, before making many recommendations. Something must be done to relieve the congested condition of the sewers. I believe by enlarging the ten-inch pipe on First street, which is always overloaded, to a fifteen-inch pipe, will reduce the congestion to a great extent, as the pipe from Pitkin Avenue to the river will carry a much larger amount than it is carrying at the present time. There is a sewer cleaning machine, which has been used successfully by other cities to clean sewers that have been in use a long time, which I believe would increase the capacity of our older sewers.

In concluding my report, I wish to thank the other commissioners for their kind assistance and co-operation.

Appended hereto is an invoice of equipment, material and supplies on hand belonging to the Water Department.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK L. CARSON,  
Commissioner of Water and Sewers.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HIGHWAYS**

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSIONERS:

I hereby submit my annual report as Commissioner of Highways for the year ending December 31st, 1913.

**DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS.**

**EXPENDITURES.**

Labor—Street Cleaning and Construction.....	\$6,786.25
Livestock—Replacement and Keep.....	706.08
New Equipment .....	1,615.05
Repairs and Renewal of Equipment.....	448.75
Sidewalk and Crosswalk Construction.....	2,458.85
Water for Irrigation .....	100.00
Miscellaneous Expenditures .....	334.56
<b>Total Expenditures for the Year.....</b>	<b>\$12,449.54</b>

**PAVING DISTRICT NO. 1.**

**EXPENDITURES.**

Printing and Stenographic Work.....	\$ 32.30
Miscellaneous Expenditures.....	1.90
<b>Total Expenditures for the Year.....</b>	<b>\$ 34.20</b>

**PAVING DISTRICT NO. 2.**

**EXPENDITURES.**

Engineering, Office Work and Supplies.....	\$ 797.65
Labor and Team Work.....	11,348.95
Machinery and Tools .....	1,098.82
Cement .....	7,919.05
Asphaltum, Gravel and Sand.....	5,401.48
Lumber .....	36.20
G. J. & G. R. V. Ry. Co., Account.....	492.79
Miscellaneous Expenditures .....	484.94
<b>Total Expenditures .....</b>	<b>\$28,029.88</b>

**RECEIPTS.**

Dirt Sold .....	\$ 128.07
Machinery Sold and Rented.....	4,272.60
Sacks Returned and Cement Charged to other Districts....	980.85
Gravel and Sand Sold or Charged to other Districts.....	558.36
Lead Pipe Sold .....	156.63
G. J. & G. R. V. Ry. Co., Credit.....	63.02
Miscellaneous Credit Items .....	20.00
<b>Total Receipts for the Year.....</b>	<b>\$6,179.53</b>

**PAVING DISTRICT NO. 3.**

**EXPENDITURES.**

Engineering and Office Work.....	\$ 541.75
Labor and Team Work.....	5,487.32
Machinery and Tools .....	4,531.68
Cement .....	4,151.71
Asphaltum, Gravel and Sand.....	5,502.26
Lumber .....	28.50
Miscellaneous Expenditures .....	108.97
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$20,352.19</b>

**RECEIPTS.**

Dirt Sold .....	\$ 1.20
Machinery Sold to City .....	1,200.00
Cement Disposed of and Sacks Returned.....	2,110.29
Gravel and Sand Sold.....	39.50
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS .....</b>	<b>\$3,350.99</b>

**PAVING DISTRICT NO. 4.**

**EXPENDITURES.**

Printing and Stenographic Work.....	\$ 36.70
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**SIDEWALK DISTRICT NO. 1.  
EXPENDITURES.**

Preliminary Expenses .....	\$ 228.80
Engineering Work .....	172.95
Labor and Team Work.....	2,134.55
Cement, Sand and Gravel .....	5,928.87
Machinery and Tools .....	10.25
Miscellaneous Expenditures .....	303.31
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES .....</b>	<b>\$8,778.73</b>

**RECEIPTS.**

Cement, Sand and Gravel Disposed of and Sacks Returned.....	\$1,982.31
Credit for Crosswalks Previously Constructed.....	360.00
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS AND CREDITS .....</b>	<b>\$2,342.31</b>

The year 1913 has been a year of large activity in this department. It has seen the completion of all the paving districts, also the large sidewalk district in Crawford's Addition, embracing over two miles of sidewalks, and a paved macadamized district of over three miles. Over seventy street and alley crossings have been put in, making the largest number ever constructed in one year by the city. The year has been remarkably free from loss of any kind in this department. No loss of life or injury was sustained during the paving period either from the asphalt work or machinery. No damage suits of any kind have been filed against the city. No loss of horses, etc., has been met with during the year.

The extremely dry season made the dust difficult to handle with our limited appropriation. This department should have money enough to keep three sprinklers going a large part of the summer, which our present income will not permit of. Our most serious need at this time is a street flusher, to wash our paving district with daily. But this will be impossible so long as this department has to get along with less money than it did before it had to keep two miles of paving clean and remove three tons of refuse therefrom daily. With the purchase of a new Case grader and the free use of drags, the streets have been kept for the greater part in good shape, about 30 blocks having been graded and crowned in the center in fine shape to receive a surfacing of the materials used on Seventh street, had we the small amount of money necessary to do it with.

Our equipment has been greatly increased in its effectiveness as well as enlarged. The invoice of assets exceeds \$11,000.00, being more than double that of last year. Our horses are the best of any city in Colorado in effectiveness and appearance. The old wagons have been replaced with modern self-dumping wagons. A six-horse Case grader and other labor-saving machinery have been added, as well as a large amount of paving machinery, taken over from the paving districts.

I wish to call your special attention to the many wooden culverts put in over the city. This is poor economy, and I urge that funds be provided another year to purchase corrugated iron pipes for this purpose.

**PAVING.**

After two and a half years trial it can be said that the cement paving on Main and side streets has stood well. The expansion joints have caused trouble and will require refilling from time to time, but that has been about all the repairs required to date.

The asphalt so far has given quite general satisfaction. Some that was put down between Third and Fourth streets on Colorado avenue, while the weather was bad, in order to open the street for the winter, will require re-surfacing in the spring. But for the greater part it bids fair to stand well.

Considering that this was the first asphalt work done in this part of the country, that asphalt workmen were unknown among us and had to be trained in every detail, that we were hundreds of miles from machinery, repairs or material and that asphalt paving is a trade in itself; in view of these and many other handicaps, I think the work a success. However, it may be safely said that with the knowledge acquired in the actual work, as well as the machinery now owned by the city, a very large saving can now be made in future paving work.

I consider it worth while to call your attention to the clay-macadam on Seventh street. No pretense is made that this is a high-grade material, but it is the best I have found in this country, and has made good on Seventh street and other places where used. I urge that some provision be made for a more extended use of it. \$5.75 per lot will make a good roadway. Almost everyone can afford this amount and it would change the nature of our adobe streets at a trifling cost. This could be done in many cases by the residents of a block or street, without the formality of an election or other expense.

**SIDEWALKS.**

Seventy-six stone and cement street and alley crossings have been put in during the year. This exceeds any former year and is more than twice the average. A great deal of cement walk was laid especially in the north-east section of the city. It will probably aggregate 9,000 lineal feet, which with the Crawford's Addition District will make a total of almost four miles for the year. The Fair Grounds, Fruit Growers' Association, Fifth Street and Main Street bridges are now all reached by good walks.

Sidewalk District No. 1 was completed at a cost of about 13 1-2 cents per square foot. The exact cost was 11 1-3 cents, the additional cost being interest and collection and overhead charges. This was put down by the best methods, only screened gravel and sand being used, with a cement mixture of 1 to 4. Heavy fills and cuts were necessary in this district to conform to grade, yet the cost was low. I am decidedly of the opinion that the city should take over the building of all sidewalks. It could be done for the same cost, or less, and a great deal better. It is well near impossible to get a dozen individuals to conform to the method; whereas, if the city put it in, it would all conform to a fixed standard, line, grade, etc.

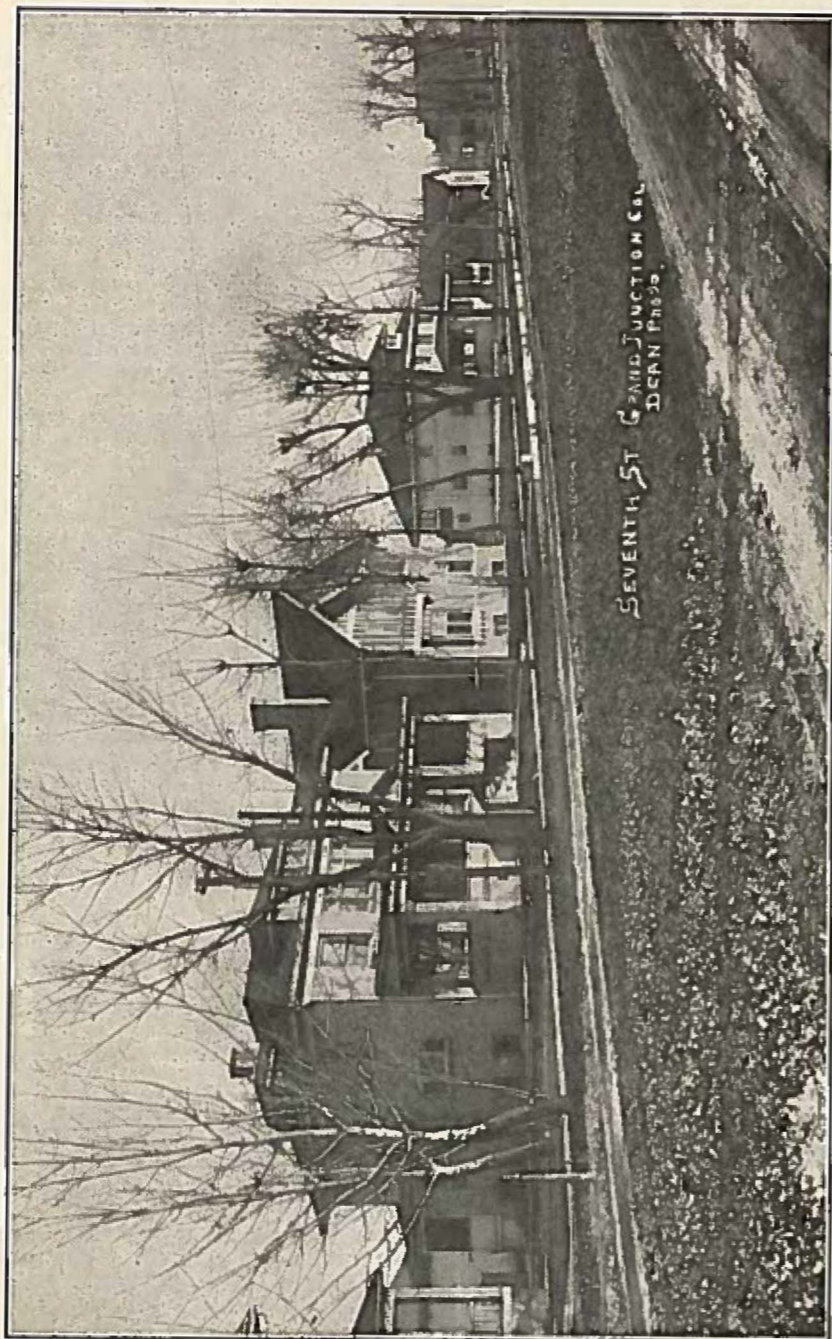
**COTTON-BEARING TREES.**

There has been a great deal of complaint in recent years of the cotton-bearing trees of the city. During the cotton period I had the trees marked by boring with augurs. I found the number to be eleven hundred. As they furnish all the shade that many residents have, they are naturally very bitter against having them destroyed, while others insist that they are a nuisance that should be abated. As it has been found that a tree properly cut back or trimmed will not bear cotton for from three to five years, I recommend that an ordinance be enacted requiring all cotton-bearing trees to be cut down or trimmed, under the direction of the Park Commissioner. Then if the people wish, they can refer the ordinance by petition and vote on it.

**WAREHOUSE.**

The city has recently acquired considerable material and machinery, and with no adequate provision made for its storage it is bound to deteriorate. With several thousand dollars' worth of machinery exposed to the weather, no time should be lost as soon as the money can be made available to erect a warehouse large enough to take in our rollers, diggers, sprinklers, etc. This





SEVENTH STREET, LOOKING SOUTHEAST FROM NEAR CHIPETA AVE.

need is also felt by the water department, and should be adequate for the requirements of both.

#### DITCH WATER.

In my former reports I have opposed the further use of ditch water by the city. Last summer was the driest in the history of the valley, yet the trees did better where no water was run, and while I have cut down the quantity half, fewer trees died than for several years. I feel that the small purpose that it serves is as nothing to the injury it does. It is the cause of enormous seepage in the cellars, increases the mosquito pest, causes an unsightly weed growth and is unsanitary in every way, besides flooding the streets and being a nuisance in general. It also requires the exclusive time of one man for five months of the year. People complain of their trees dying from lack of water, when it is generally the result of too much water. Ninety per cent of the young trees can be watered from the parking and the older trees are as well off without it.

#### FIRST STREET.

This department wishes to commend and express appreciation of the fine work of the ranchmen on First street. The city joined with these public spirited citizens in the work of surfacing this street, with the result that an excellent road has been made of it. This street is owned jointly by the city and county, but has always been maintained by the city.

#### SNOW ON SIDEWALKS.

I wish to call your attention to my former recommendation that an ordinance be passed requiring property owners to remove snow or ice from the sidewalks and in the event of their failing to do so, the city to remove same and charge cost to property.

#### COUNTY ROAD FUND.

A most notable case of discrimination against this city is the distribution of the County Road Fund. One-third of this sum of \$60,000.00 is paid by this city, yet not one cent of this \$20,000.00 paid by its citizens is spent within its limits. And when we consider that of the \$11,000.00 voted for this department by the city to be used on its streets and alleys, only about \$5,000.00 really reaches the roads, the balance being taken up by sidewalks, street crossings, ditch water, cleaning pavement, culverts, dead trees, etc., it will be seen that the 70 miles or more of streets and alleys can have but mighty scant work done on them. And in addition to this, we are confronted with the unheard of spectacle of a city paying over \$30,000.00 annually for use on roads, and its own streets getting the benefit of only about one-fifth of it. Other cities of the state have demanded and are receiving a just proportion of this money, and Grand Junction should do the same, and I recommend that the proper steps be taken in an effort to bring about a just division of this fund.

JAMES H. RANKIN,  
Commissioner of Highways.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF COMMISSIONER FINANCE AND SUPPLIES FOR THE YEAR 1914

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSIONERS OF THE  
CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO.

GENTLEMEN:

I herewith submit to you my annual report for the year ending December 31st, 1913.

It will be noticed from my financial report that the volume of the financial business was not so large as in the preceding year. This is owing to the fact that the construction of the Kannah Creek water system was completed last year, also Paving District No. 1, as well as the greater part of Paving District No. 2—still the volume runs up to quite a sum—the total amount expended being \$209,206.60.

There was but one bond issue in the year, this being for Sidewalk District No. 1. These bonds were sold at just a fraction of a point below par, which is a very satisfactory price, and proved very gratifying to the Commissioners.

The city now has eleven separate issues of Bonds; four of which are Water bonds, which are a direct liability of the city and amount to \$587,000.00. These are all 5 per cent except \$50,000.00, which are 6 per cent.

The other seven issues are all Public Improvement District bonds and are all 6 per cent. Four of these are Paving Districts, two Sewer Districts, and one Sidewalk District.

\$22,000.00 5 per cent Water bonds will mature in December, 1914. Arrangements will be made to get an extension on these, or they will have to be refunded.

Improvement Bonds to the amount of \$30,550.00 were called in and paid this year.

It will be noted that the Warrant indebtedness has increased over last year to the amount of \$2,435.92. This is mainly accounted for on account of some of the machinery used in Paving Districts had to be taken over by the city, and payments of considerable amounts were made on lots purchased for storage purposes as well as on the lots for the new Fire and Police Building.

Thus it will be seen that the general assets of the city were increased to an amount equal to such increase in Warrant debt.

I think that as soon as the general financial conditions of the city improve, the Commissioners should include in their annual a special levy of about one mill for the express purpose of retiring Warrants, so that this indebtedness can be in a few years wiped out and the city be then on a cash basis, as it should be.

Your Treasurer had \$5,236.04 on deposit with the Mesa County National Bank when it closed its doors. That deposit was, however, insured in a good Surety Company, and we promptly received our money from that company.

Following is my financial statement in detail.

Respectfully submitted,

H. F. VORBECK,

Commissioner of Finance and Supplies.

Balance as per last annual report..... \$72,486.40

### RECEIPTS.

WATER FUND—	
From rated water .....	\$32,850.76
From metered water .....	3,470.17
From tank water .....	30.50
From tap permits .....	36.25
From Sundries .....	47.35
	\$36,435.03

GENERAL FUND—Licenses:	
Automobile Drivers .....	\$ 95.00
Dogs .....	322.00
Peddlers and Street Hawkers .....	67.00
Plumbers .....	25.00
Express and Omnibus .....	309.50
Theatres and Shows .....	242.50
Pool and Billiard .....	245.00
Pawnbroker .....	75.00
Sidewalk Contractors .....	20.00
Junk Dealer .....	20.00
Merry-Go-Round .....	10.00
Auctioneer .....	38.25

Total Licenses .....	\$ 1,469.25
Tax Collections .....	44,534.23
Dairy Inspection Fees .....	48.00
City Scales .....	265.00
Grease Trap Cleaning .....	1,548.00
Plumber and Steamfitter Examination Fees..	9.00
Sign Permits .....	4.00
Furniture and Material Sold .....	36.75
New City Maps Sold .....	40.00
From Paving Dist. No. 2, for use Steam Roller	450.00
Police Magistrate Costs Collected .....	342.55
Sundries .....	11.25
<b>Total General Fund .....</b>	<b>\$48,757.03</b>

### MISCELLANEOUS.

Tax Collections for Library Fund .....	\$ 1,348.61
Tax Collection for Advertising Fund .....	1,798.07
Old House Sold .....	70.00
Old Boiler Sold .....	550.00
For Sewer Connections .....	72.50
For Rent of Excavating Machine .....	165.90
On Account of Sale of Old Fire House.....	1,000.00
Water Bond Interest Fund .....	4,000.00

### PAVING DISTRICT NO. 3.

From bonds sold .....	\$21,000.00
Accrued Interest .....	310.50
Machinery Credit .....	1,200.00
Refund Freight .....	39.50
Cement Sacks .....	830.77
Cement Sold Sidewalk No. 1.....	1,240.15
Sundries .....	1.20
	\$24,622.12

### PAVING DISTRICT NO. 2.

Assessments Paid City Treasurer.....	\$ 102.02
Material Sold .....	643.16
Machinery Credit .....	4,260.00
Refund Freight .....	322.48
Cement Sacks .....	565.55
Sundries .....	46.00
	\$ 5,939.21

### PAVING DISTRICT NO. 1.

Assessments Paid County Treasurer .....	\$ 7,721.24
Sundries .....	22.05
	\$ 7,743.29

SEWER DISTRICT NO. 3.		
Assessments Paid County Treasurer.....	\$ 4,947.13	
Sewer Connection .....	20.00	\$ 4,967.13

PAVING DISTRICT NO. 4.		
Assessments Paid County Treasurer .....	\$ 280.30	\$ 280.30

SIDEWALK DISTRICT NO. 1.		
From Bonds Sold .....	\$ 9,000.00	
Accrued Interest .....	42.03	
Cement Sacks .....	429.85	
Cement Sold .....	1,552.46	
Cr. from Highway Fund for Crossings.....	360.00	\$11,384.34

SEWER DISTRICT NO. 4.		
Assessments Paid County Treasurer .....	\$ 221.69	\$ 221.69
Percentage from Elec. & Gas Co. ....	\$ 2,920.11	
From Police Magistrate for Fines Collected...	371.00	
Sundry Receipts .....	319.61	

Total Receipts ..... \$152,965.91  
\$225,452.34

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

##### GENERAL FUND.

Warrants Paid and Interest .....	\$45,705.62	
Commissions on Tax Collections .....	874.22	\$46,579.84

##### WATER FUND.

Warrants Paid .....	\$ 7,012.14	
Interest on Bonds .....	29,525.00	
Fiscal Agency's Com. and Exchange .....	69.49	\$36,606.63

##### PARK FUND.

Warrants Paid .....	\$ 3,393.03	\$ 3,393.03
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##### LIBRARY FUND.

Warrants Paid .....	\$ 1,862.68	
Com. on Tax Collected .....	26.53	\$ 1,889.21

##### PAVING DISTRICT NO. 1.

Warrants Paid .....	\$ 34.20	
Bonds Called and Paid .....	8,500.00	
Interest on Bonds .....	6,538.92	
Fiscal Agency's Com. and Exch. ....	29.10	\$15,102.22

##### PAVING DISTRICT NO. 2.

Warrants Paid .....	\$31,535.98	
Bonds Called and Paid .....	16,000.00	
Interest on Bonds .....	5,435.02	
Fiscal Agency's Com. and Exch. ....	32.90	\$53,003.90

##### PAVING DISTRICT NO. 3.

Warrants Paid .....	\$20,484.59	
Bonds Called and Paid .....	2,500.00	
Interest on Bonds .....	660.83	
Discount on Bonds .....	100.00	
Attorney's Fees .....	47.00	
Fiscal Agency's Com. and Exch. ....	4.07	\$23,796.49

PAVING DISTRICT NO. 4.		
Warrants Paid .....	\$ 97.82	
Bonds Called and Paid .....	300.00	
Interest on Bonds .....	229.90	
Fiscal Agency's Com. ....	.36	\$ 628.08

SEWER DISTRICT NO. 3.		
Warrants Paid .....	\$ .90	
Bonds Called and Paid .....	3,000.00	
Interest on Bonds .....	1,452.49	
Fiscal Agency's Com. and Exch. ....	8.55	\$ 4,461.94

SEWER DISTRICT NO. 4.		
Warrants Paid .....	\$ 49.35	
Bonds Called and Paid .....	250.00	
Interest on Bonds .....	156.58	
Fiscal Agency's Com. ....	.34	\$ 456.27

##### ADVERTISING FUND.

Warrants Paid .....	\$ 1,581.35	
Commission on Tax Collections .....	35.35	\$ 1,616.70

##### WATER BOND INTEREST FUND.

Warrant Paid .....	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
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##### SPECIAL SEWER FUND.

Warrants Paid .....	\$ 276.97	\$ 276.97
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##### SPECIAL WATER FUND.

Warrants Paid .....	\$ 7,879.96	\$ 7,879.96
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##### SIDEWALK DISTRICT NO. 1.

Warrants Paid .....	\$ 8,752.86	
Discount on Bonds .....	100.00	\$ 8,852.86

##### FIRE HOUSE CONSTRUCTION FUND.

Warrants Paid .....	\$ 662.50	\$ 662.50
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Total Disbursements ..... \$209,206.60

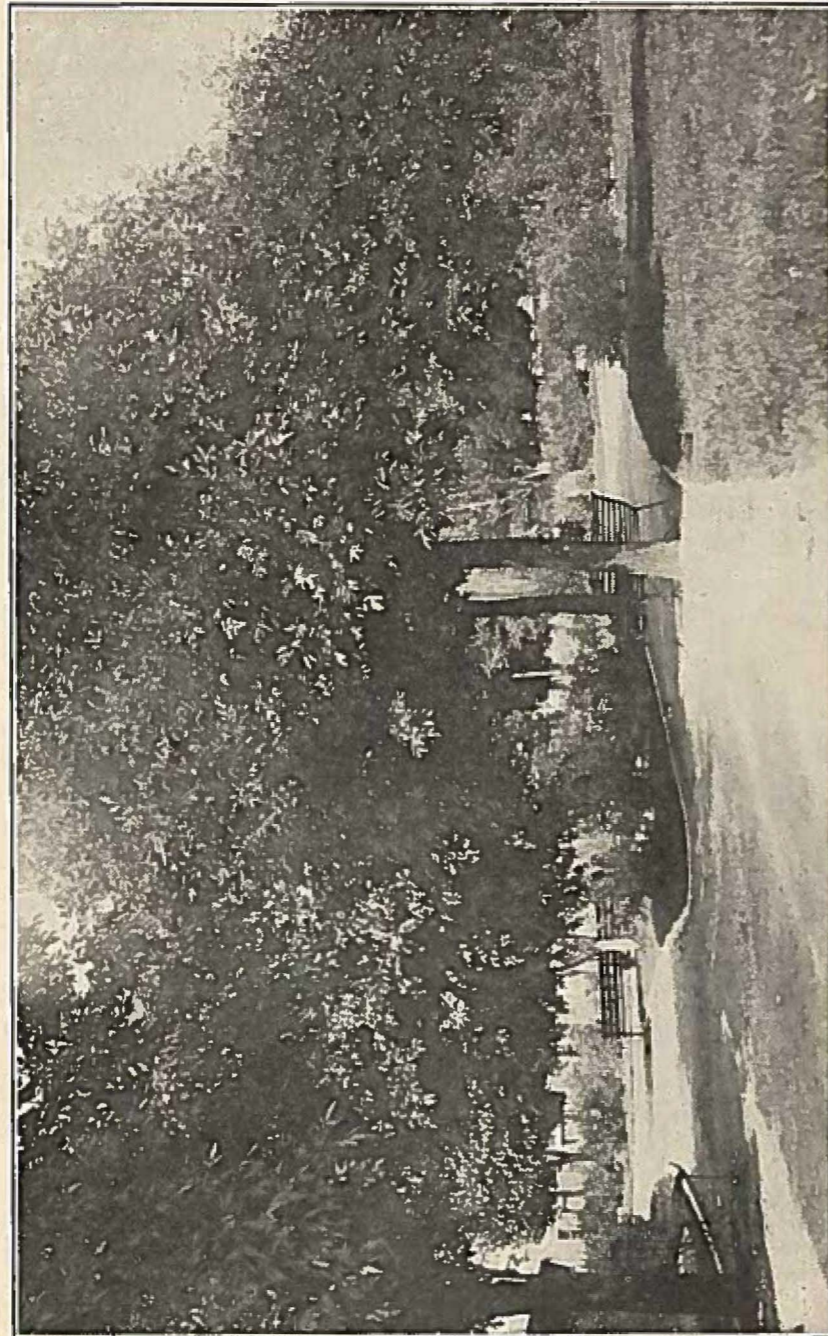
Balance ..... \$ 16,245.74

\$225,452.34

##### BALANCE CARRIED AS FOLLOWS:

Grand Valley National Bank .....	\$ 922.61
U. S. Bank and Trust Co. ....	833.49
Kountze Bros., New York .....	13,834.94
Checks, Currency and Coin .....	654.70

\$16,245.74



VIEW IN CITY (MAPLE) PARK, GRAND JUNCTION.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH AND CIVIC BEAUTY

Grand Junction, Colorado, January 2, 1914.

TO THE HON. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION:

GENTLEMEN:

Herewith is submitted the report of the Department of Health and Civic Beauty for the year 1913. The following statement shows in detail the expenditures of the department:

### HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Account of—	
Garbage disposal and grease trap cleaning.....	\$1,932.00
Cleaning alleys and disposal of trash.....	1,779.05
Maintenance of Red Mesa Hospital.....	484.82
Advertising and printing .....	31.50
Equipment—Repairs and renewal .....	45.60
Miscellaneous—Drugs for health officer, fumigating material, provisions for quarantined family, etc.....	224.90
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$4,497.87</b>

### PARK DEPARTMENT.

Account of—	
<b>Maple Park—Permanent Improvements: Labor and material .....</b>	<b>\$ 168.27</b>
Maintenance: Labor .....	499.60
Miscellaneous: Tools, material, etc.....	149.25
	<b>\$ 817.12</b>
<b>Walnut Park—Permanent Improvements: Labor and material .....</b>	<b>\$1,434.50</b>
Maintenance: Labor .....	405.80
Miscellaneous: Tools, Supplies, etc.....	209.58
	<b>\$2,049.88</b>
<b>Cottonwood Park—Permanent Improvements: Labor and material .....</b>	<b>\$ 479.53</b>
Maintenance: Labor .....	117.70
Miscellaneous .....	7.75
	<b>\$ 604.98</b>
<b>Palmer Park—Miscellaneous: Surveys .....</b>	<b>\$ 27.50</b>
	<b>\$ 27.50</b>
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$3,499.48</b>
<b>Total expended by Department.....</b>	<b>\$7,997.95</b>

### NOTATIONS.

As appears from the above statement, the total expenditures of the Health Department were \$4,497.87. The collections for cleaning grease traps amounted to \$1,548.00; for permits issued for sale of milk, \$48.00, and there is due from Mesa county on account of maintenance of Red Mesa Hospital, \$134.20—a total of \$1,730.20, making the net cost of maintaining the Health department \$2,767.67, which is \$1,039.43 less than the expenditures for this purpose the previous year.

The expenditures of the Park department, amounting to \$3,499.48, were divided among Maple, Walnut and Cottonwood parks, except \$27.50 paid for survey of tillable land in Palmer park. The larger portion, or over one-half, was spent for permanent improvements in Walnut park.

#### HEALTH MATTERS.

The year 1913 may be recorded in the city's history as a year when remarkably satisfactory health conditions obtained throughout the larger part of the time. There were long periods when no contagious or communicable diseases were reported.

The record of contagious and communicable diseases, as reported by the Health Officer for the year, is as follows: Scarlet fever, 6; diphtheria, 2; small pox, 9. There were no deaths from contagious diseases. Nineteen cases of typhoid fever were reported, there being one death from this disease.

Situated as we are on a transcontinental railway and constantly exposed to contagion by reason of travel from east and west, it is indeed gratifying that so few cases of contagious disease have been reported. A prompt enforcement of quarantine laws and the improved sanitary conditions of the city have been the means of preventing the spread of contagion whenever reported. In this connection the Commissioner again commends the City Health Officer, Dr. Carl W. Plumb, for his prompt and efficient services whenever occasion demanded.

#### VITAL STATISTICS.

The number of births reported was 158, of which 71 were males and 87 females.

The number of deaths recorded, including 9 of tuberculosis contracted elsewhere and 7 still born, was 104. There were 5 suicides. Among the general diseases causing death, those heading the list were: Pneumonia 14, heart disease 13, tuberculosis 12, nephritis 6, malnutrition 6, carcinoma 5. Nine died from injuries and two of old age.

The ratio of death to population (estimated 10,000) for the year 1913, including all cases, was 10.4 for each thousand inhabitants; exclusive of tuberculosis contracted elsewhere, 9.5. Few cities in the United States show as low a death rate.

#### SANITARY CONDITIONS.

The sanitary conditions of the city were much improved over previous years. The Council having appointed a regular city scavenger, who, when not employed in cleaning grease traps, devoted his time to hauling away trash and manure; hence there were no large accumulations of trash and disease breeding matter as in former years.

The general spring clean-up of alleys and back yards was had in April, when 1,299 loads of trash and filth were gathered up and disposed of. In response to a call issued by the Mayor, many people cleaned up their premises in the fall, and it became necessary for the department to employ extra teams to haul away the trash, ashes, etc., deposited in the alleys, the city scavenger being unable to handle it all before the close of the year. During the entire year 1,999 loads of trash, filth, ashes and manure were gathered up and disposed of by the department. The total cost of this work was \$1,779.05.

The collection and disposal of garbage was done by a regularly appointed city garbage collector, instead of by contract as formerly, and the service was much improved; \$1,150.00 was paid for this service, as against \$1,600.00 for the previous year, when the work was done under contract. A number of new householders availed themselves of the service by providing themselves with garbage cans, and the collector kept the cans in a sanitary condition by washing them out after emptying same.

Stables and cow corrals were better kept than in any year since the commission form of government was adopted.

The city scavenger, with the assistance of one man, cleaned 1,204 grease traps, the cost of the work being \$782.00. Last year, under a contract, this work cost the city \$1,500.

#### NOTICES AND INSPECTIONS.

In response to complaints made to the department and from personal observations by the Commissioner, 91 notices were served to clean up premises, remedy insanitary conditions and abate nuisances.

Inspections of slaughter houses, dairies, groceries, meat markets, restaurants and other places where foods are prepared and sold, were made at regular intervals by the department, and with but few exceptions conditions were found to be good and sanitary. Samples of milk from the various dairies were tested from time to time by the Health Officer, and in most cases were found to conform with the requirements of the city ordinance.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE HEALTH OFFICER.

In his annual report to the Commissioner, Dr. Carl W. Plumb, City Health Officer, among other things says:

"From the very few cases of typhoid fever during the past year, I think Grand Junction is to be congratulated upon its new water system and the efficient manner in which it is kept. Typhoid fever has been driven out of the United States army by the use of a harmless vaccine, and I would recommend that all the employes of the city be urged to be vaccinated, for by so doing they will absolutely prevent themselves from taking the disease for from three to five years."

After commending the services of Mr. A. C. Coburn, care-taker of the Red Mesa Hospital, his report concludes:

"This city has been unusually fortunate in the past year in the matter of contagious diseases; and although at the present time there is not a single case of any contagious or communicable disease in this city, it will be my policy now and in the future to be just as active in doing what I can as Health Officer in preventing the spread of any contagious disease or attempting to stamp it out, if such condition should arise. The general health of the city during the past year has been above normal; the death rate, below normal. I believe this is largely due to the careful and exacting manner in which Mr. Charles K. Holmburg has conducted his duties as health commissioner."

While the vaccination above suggested cannot be made compulsory, the Commissioner would like to see every city officer and employe act upon the suggestion of Dr. Plumb. Persons who go off on annual summer vacations and use water from various sources, would do well to subject themselves to the vaccination recommended by our city health officer.

The proper ventilation of our schools, churches, places of amusement, and even some homes, is one that needs attention in this city, especially in winter. The Commissioner believes that much of our winter sickness, such as common colds, throat trouble, and pneumonia, is caused by the foul air sometimes found in these places. The people, as well as the janitors, need some instruction in ventilation and to learn not to be afraid of pure cold air.

In the final analysis, the eradication of preventable diseases and the prevention of unnecessary death is largely a matter of public education--of teaching the people how to keep well, and to co-operate with the health department in the enforcement of quarantine laws and the observance of sanitary regulations; of knowing something about the chemistry of foods and how to properly prepare them for human consumption. The age of drugs as a means of keeping well is passing; a new era is dawning on the world, and the future physician and health officer will be more of a teacher than a dis-

penser of medicine. In fact, we are more and more beginning to realize that the secret of how to insure a healthy, efficient and useful life is: to live right, act right, and think right.

The world is just beginning to appreciate the value of health, and our cities generally are waking up to the fact that the best dollar any community spends is that invested in the conservation of public health and the preservation of community life.

#### PARK IMPROVEMENTS.

Remembering the opposition met with and the criticism of the work when first undertaken by the Commissioner, it was indeed gratifying to hear words of praise and commendation the past year on the improvements made in Maple Park. The Commissioner feels that the improvements begun in Walnut or the Children's Park, so strenuously opposed and bitterly denounced by certain residents of that locality, will also be appreciated and praised in a few years, even though those improvements had to be made at the sacrifice of a few Carolina poplars and cottonwoods (some dead or dying) of cherished memories and associations.

The new park work of the year was principally confined to Walnut Park. The ground was first plowed, graded and prepared for planting. Over 1,200 shrubs, plants and trees were planted, 95 per cent of which were growing at the close of the season. The walks were laid out, concrete curbing was put in on each side and gravel put in the walks. A cement sidewalk and curb was constructed on the north side of the park. A temporary fence was put around the playground to keep the children off the new lawns and planting of shrubbery. New lawns were started in the spaces between the walks and groups of shrubbery. Extensions of water pipe were laid and sewer pipe was put in to carry ditch water under walks and lawns to plantings of trees and shrubbery. The ground was prepared for seeding the large lawns on the south side of the park next spring.

The principal work done on Cottonwood Park was filling in dirt in the low places to bring the ground up to grade. A large number of trees and shrubs were also set out, but owing to adverse soil conditions the showing in growth was not nearly so good as at Walnut Park. Considerable work must yet be done in this park in grading and preparing the soil before the lawns can be started with any reasonable assurance of success.

The expenditures on Maple Park were principally for maintenance. Some replanting was done to fill in vacant spaces, and the parking on the east and west side was seeded to grass. A new drinking fountain was put in, the band stand repainted, and 20 new park seats were purchased.

The season of 1913 was very favorable for plant growth, and both the old and the new planting of trees and shrubs made splendid growth in both Maple and Walnut parks.

To encourage the planting of more desirable trees and ornamental shrubbery by our citizens, the Commissioner has planned to start a small municipal nursery in Chestnut Park next season. By this means future planting by the city may be done at less expense, and trees and plants can be furnished by the city to citizens for beautification of home grounds at a very low price, or even given away.

The proposition to have the city purchase a lot of shade trees for general free distribution, as submitted to the Council recently, I trust will be favorably considered by the Commissioners. If the Council can see its way to appropriate say \$200 out of the General Fund for this purpose, I believe it would be money well spent for the city. It is time that a general movement be started for replacing the old cottonwood trees, which have done noble service in the past but which have, most of them, seen their best days. Now is the time to begin replacing them with more desirable and longer lived trees.

To those who are looking forward to the time when Grand Junction will

have a large park, the defeat of the proposition to purchase the Fair grounds, submitted at the last election, was a disappointment. The price asked was generally considered too high, and the unwillingness of the people to assume additional tax burdens at this time was, no doubt, the reason for its defeat. The Commissioner hopes that ere many years conditions will be such that a plan may be worked out whereby the city may be able to secure a piece of land large enough for a people's playground and recreation center.

There is need that our citizens generally be educated along the line of the "idea beautiful," which, whenever systematically applied makes for the "idea practical" that builds up cities and tends to the uplift of society and the betterment of citizenship. The clean, healthy and beautiful city is the Mecca that draws the people from far and near. The cities that are making the most rapid growth today are those that are spending large sums for sanitation and beautification. They have fully demonstrated that money expended to make the city more healthy and more beautiful is money well invested.

Respectfully submitted,  
**CHARLES K. HOLMBURG,**  
 Commissioner of Health and Civic Beauty.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK AND AUDITOR

Grand Junction, Colorado, January 1, 1914.

TO THE HON. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
 CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO.

GENTLEMEN:

Herewith is submitted a detailed statement of the expenditures by the several departments of the city for the year 1913, and showing the condition of the several funds at the close of the fiscal year; also the cash receipts as reported by the city treasurer.

#### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS.

##### POLICE FUND.

	DR.	CR.
Annual Appropriation .....		\$5,200.00
Expenditures: Account of—		
Salaries regular and special police .....	\$3,907.50	
Bootlegging cases .....	780.80	
Prisoners, board and transportation .....	123.00	
Disposal of dead animals .....	37.00	
Miscellaneous—Fuel, supplies, etc. ....	351.16	5,199.46
Balance Appropriation .....		.54

##### FIRE FUND.

Annual Appropriation .....		\$5,500.00
Expenditures: Account of—		
Salaries chief and regular firemen .....	\$4,149.65	
Wages volunteer firemen .....	267.50	
Repairs and renewal building and equipment .....	694.04	
Miscellaneous—Fuel, supplies, etc. ....	388.38	5,499.57
Balance Appropriation .....		.43

LIGHT FUND.		
Annual Appropriation .....		\$8,000.00
Expenditures: Account of—		
Arc Lights (88) .....	\$7,509.13	
Light service city buildings .....	215.80	7,724.93
Balance Appropriation .....		275.07

PUBLIC LIBRARY FUND.		
Annual Appropriation .....		\$2,000.00
Overdraft Jan. 1, 1913 .....	\$ 44.39	
Expenditures: Account of—		
Salaries librarian and assistants .....	1,305.50	
Repairs and renewal building and equipment .....	225.70	
Books and publications .....	354.48	
Miscellaneous—Fuel, supplies, etc .....	67.10	1,997.17
Balance Appropriation .....		2.83

ADVERTISING FUND.		
Annual Appropriation .....		\$1,700.00
Expenditures: Account of—		
Salary Director of Publicity and clerk .....	\$ 893.33	
Printing and Advertising .....	469.35	
Miscellaneous .....	337.32	1,700.00

FIRE HOUSE CONSTRUCTION FUND.		
Cash received on account of sale of old Fire house .....		\$1,000.00
Expenditures: Account of—		
Part payment on Lots 3-4, Block 127 .....	\$ 662.50	
Abstract of title .....	8.25	670.75
Balance in Fund .....		329.25

DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND SEWERS.		
Annual and Emergency Appropriations .....		\$7,300.00
Overdraft January 1, 1913 .....	\$ 165.61	
Expenditures: Account of—		
Office Expense: Clerical work, postage, advertising, printing, etc. ....	512.37	
Pipe Line and Reservoirs: Labor, supplies, etc. ....	1,668.96	
Street Mains—Construction: Labor, pipe and supplies .....	496.70	
Street Mains—Repairs: Labor, pipe, supplies, tools, etc. ....	3,720.66	
Kannah Creek Intake: Labor, telephone, etc. ....	892.30	7,456.60
Appropriations Overdrawn .....	156.60	

SPECIAL WATER FUND.		
Balance in fund January 1, 1913 .....		\$2,593.83
Transferred from Kannah Creek Fund .....		3,917.10
Sundry receipts—rent of trencher, pipe sold, etc. ....		1,007.40
		\$7,518.33
Expenditures: Account of—		
Water Mains—Extensions and Repairs: Labor and team work .....	\$2,181.30	
Pipe, supplies, fuel, oil, etc. ....	5,422.90	7,604.20
Overdraft .....	85.87	

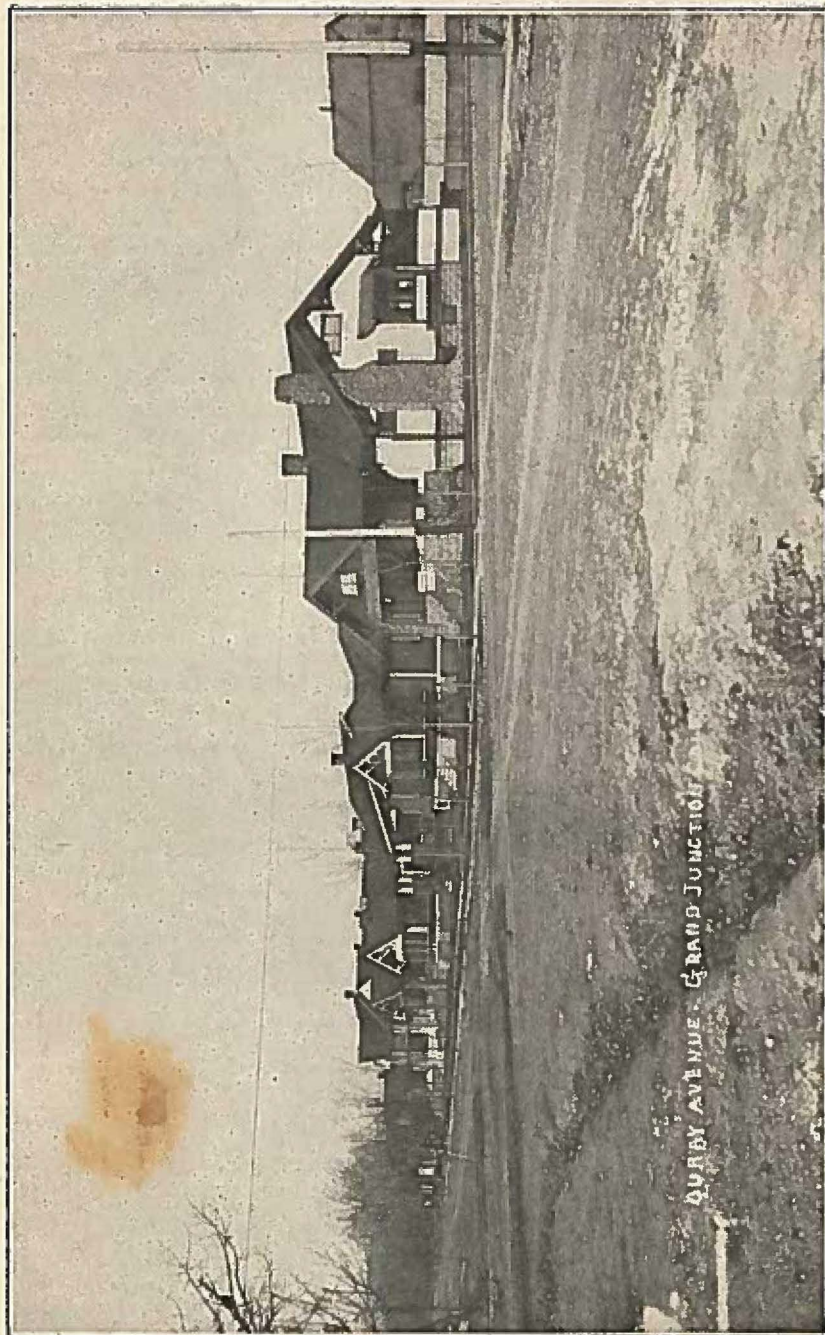
SPECIAL SEWER FUND.		
Transferred from Sewer District No. 1 Fund .....		\$ 223.51
Sundry receipts .....		72.50
		296.01
Overdraft January 1, 1913 .....	\$ 185.67	
Expenditures: Account of—		
Sewer Maintenance and Repairs: Labor .....	199.75	
Material and Supplies .....	77.22	462.64
Overdraft .....	166.63	

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND SUPPLIES.		
SALARY FUND.		
Annual Appropriation .....		\$8,500.00
Expenditures: Account of—		
Salaries Commissioners .....	\$6,600.00	
Salaries City Attorney, City Physician and City Janitor .....	1,880.00	8,480.00
Balance Appropriation .....		20.00

GENERAL FUND.		
Annual Appropriation .....		\$5,000.00
Expenditures: Account of—		
Office Expense: Supplies, clerical work, etc. ....	\$ 909.16	
Legal advertising, printing and stationery .....	927.28	
Repairs and renewal City Hall and equipment .....	341.75	
Expenses of registration and election .....	772.48	
Miscellaneous—Fuel, telephone, postage, band concerts, legal expense, Uta ave. lots, refund taxes city of DeBeque, relief of poor, etc. ....	1,970.30	4,920.97
Balance Appropriation .....		79.03

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS.		
HIGHWAYS FUND.		
Annual Appropriation .....		\$12,450.00
Expenditures: Account of—		
Labor—Street cleaning and construction .....	\$6,786.25	
Livestock—Replacement and keep .....	706.08	
Equipment—New, repairs and renewal .....	2,063.80	
Water for Irrigation .....	100.00	
Sidewalk and crosswalk construction, culverts and bridges .....	2,458.85	
Miscellaneous expenses .....	334.56	12,449.54
Balance Appropriation .....		.46

PAVING DISTRICT NO. 2 FUND.		
Balance in Fund January 1, 1913 .....		\$45,534.65
Sundry receipts and credits .....		6,179.53
		\$51,714.18
Expenditures: Account of—		
Engineering: Office work and supplies .....	\$ 797.65	
Labor and team work .....	11,348.95	
Machinery and tools .....	1,098.82	
Cement .....	7,919.05	
Asphalt, gravel and sand .....	5,401.48	
G. J. & G. R. V. R'y. account .....	942.79	
Miscellaneous—Lumber, fuel, oil, advertising, etc. ....	521.14	28,029.88
Cr. Balance .....		23,684.30



GRAND JUNCTION, A CITY OF HOMES—NEW RESIDENCES ON OURAY AVENUE.

PAVING DISTRICT NO. 3 FUND.

Cash received for Bonds sold.....		\$21,163.50	
Sundry receipts and credits .....		3,350.99	
			\$24,514.49
Preliminary expenses prior to Jan. 1, 1913.....	\$ 513.78		
Expenditures: Account of—			
Engineering and Office work .....	541.75		
Labor and team work .....	5,487.32		
Machinery and tools .....	4,531.68		
Cement .....	4,151.71		
Asphalt, gravel and sand .....	5,502.26		
Miscellaneous—Lumber, fuel, oil, etc. ....	137.47	20,865.97	
			<u>3,648.52</u>
Cr. Balance .....			3,648.52

SIDEWALK DISTRICT NO. 1 FUND.

Cash received for Bonds sold.....		\$8,942.03	
Sundry receipts and credits.....		2,342.31	
			\$11,284.34
Expenditures: Account of—			
Preliminary expenses .....	\$ 228.80		
Engineering and office work.....	172.95		
Labor and team work .....	2,134.55		
Cement, sand and gravel .....	5,928.87		
Miscellaneous—Lumber, tools, fuel and supplies .....	313.56	8,778.73	
			<u>2,505.61</u>
Cr. Balance .....			2,505.61

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND CIVIC BEAUTY.  
HEALTH FUND.

Annual Appropriation .....		\$4,500.00	
Expenditures: Account of—			
Garbage disposal and grease trap cleaning .....	\$1,932.00		
Cleaning alleys and disposal of trash .....	1,779.05		
Maintenance Red Mesa Hospital .....	484.82		
Advertising and printing .....	31.50		
Miscellaneous—Equipment, drugs, etc. ....	270.50	4,497.87	
			<u>2.13</u>
Balance Appropriation .....			2.13

PARK FUND.

Annual Appropriation .....		\$3,500.00	
Expenditures: Account of—			
Maple Park: Permanent improvements, labor and material .....	\$ 168.27		
Maintenance—Labor, tools, etc. ....	648.85	\$ 817.12	
			<u>2,049.88</u>
Walnut Park: Permanent improvements, labor and material .....	\$1,434.50		
Maintenance—Labor and tools .....	615.38	2,049.88	
			<u>604.98</u>
Cottonwood Park: Permanent improvements, labor and material .....	\$ 479.53		
Maintenance—Labor, etc. ....	125.45	604.98	
			<u>27.50</u>
Palmer Park: Engineering work.....		27.50	3,499.48
			<u>.52</u>
Balance Appropriation .....			.52



**REVENUES.**

**GENERAL FUND.**

Cash balance in Treasurer's hands January 1, 1913.....		\$ 990.77
<b>RECEIPTS—</b>		
Licenses collected, less \$30.00 refund .....	\$1,439.25	
Permits issued .....	61.00	
City Scales .....	265.00	
Grease Traps, cleaning of .....	1,548.00	
Municipal Court—Costs .....	342.55	
Miscellaneous receipts .....	537.00	4,192.80
General Taxes (less commission) from Co. Treasurer .....		43,460.01
<b>Total .....</b>		<b>48,643.58</b>

**ADVERTISING FUND.**

Cash balance in Treasurer's hands Jan. 1, 1913.....	\$ 104.62
Taxes received from County Treasurer.....	\$1,762.72
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$1,867.34</b>

**LIBRARY FUND.**

Cash balance in Treasurer's hands Jan. 1, 1913.....	\$1,000.59
Police Magistrate—Fines collected .....	371.00
Taxes received from County Treasurer .....	1,322.08
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$2,693.67</b>

**PARK FUND.**

Cash balance in Treasurer's hands Jan. 1, 1913.....	\$ 315.89
G. J. Electric, Gas & Mfg. Co., percentage receipts.....	2,920.11
Miscellaneous .....	1.20
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$3,237.20</b>

**WATER FUND.**

Cash balance in Treasurer's hands Jan. 1, 1913.....	\$5,399.63
Rated and metered water rentals .....	36,320.93
Miscellaneous .....	114.10
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>41,834.66</b>

**SUMMARY REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES.**

**GENERAL FUND.**

Total Revenues: Receipts all sources .....	\$48,643.58
<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	
Department of Public Affairs .....	\$18,423.96
Department of Finance and Supplies .....	13,400.97
Department of Highways .....	12,449.54
Department of Health .....	4,497.87
<b>Cr. Balance—Expenditures above receipts .....</b>	<b>\$ 128.76</b>

**WATER FUND.**

Total Revenues .....	\$41,834.66
Total Expenditures: Maintenance Water Department, extensions and repairs .....	7,456.60

**Cr. Balance—Receipts above expenditures .....** \$34,378.06

**PARK FUND.**

Total Revenues .....	\$3,237.20
Total Expenditures .....	3,499.48

**Dr. Balance—Expenditures above receipts \$262.28.**

**LIBRARY FUND.**

Total Revenues .....	\$2,693.67
Total Expenditures .....	1,997.17

**Cr. Balance—Receipts above expenditures .....** \$ 696.50

**ADVERTISING FUND.**

Total Revenues .....	\$1,867.34
Total Expenditures .....	1,700.00

**Cr. Balance—Receipts above expenditures .....** \$ 167.34

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.**

**ASSETS.**

Cash in Treasurer's hands January 1, 1914.....	\$ 16,245.74
City Hall .....	12,000.00
Public Library .....	5,000.00
City Parks (not including Palmer Park).....	30,000.00
Part of Block 84 .....	3,000.00
Lots owned by city .....	6,000.00
City Water System .....	705,000.00
City Sewer System .....	198,000.00
Equipment Fire Department .....	12,000.00
Equipment and Supplies Water Department .....	4,682.00
Equipment Highways Department .....	11,000.00
Equipment Health and Park Departments .....	350.00
Equipment City Offices .....	500.00
Artesian Well .....	5,000.00
<b>Total Assets .....</b>	<b>\$1,008,774.74</b>

**LIABILITIES.**

General City Warrants outstanding January 1, 1914.....	\$ 25,946.89
Water Bonds (old) outstanding Jan. 1, 1914.....	137,000.00
Kannah Creek Water Bonds outstanding .....	450,000.00

**Total Liabilities .....** \$612,946.89  
**Amount of Assets over Liabilities .....** \$395,830.85  
 The total assessed valuation of the City for the year 1913-14 is \$7,234,000.53

**LIABILITIES OF IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS.**

The outstanding bonded indebtedness of the several tracts on January 1, 1914, was as follows:

Paving District No. 1 .....	
Paving District No. 2 .....	
Paving District No. 3 .....	
Paving District No. 4 .....	
Sewer District No. 3 .....	
Sewer District No. 4 .....	
Sidewalk District No. 1 .....	

**Total .....**

Respectfully submitted

CHARLES K. HC  
City Cler



SUNDAY AFTERNOON BAND CONCERT IN CITY PARK, GRAND JUNCTION.

## CITY OFFICIALS

### CHAS. E. CHERRINGTON, Mayor

President of the Council      Commissioner of Public Affairs.  
Office, City Hall.  
Hours, 11 a. m. to 12 m.

### FRANK L. CARSON

Commissioner Water and Sewers.      Vice President Council.  
Office, City Hall.      Hours, 9 to 10 a. m.  
Phone, Residence, Junction 614.

### H. F. VORBECK

Commissioner Finance and Supplies.      Ex-Officio City Treasurer.  
Office, City Hall.  
Hours, 9 to 12 a. m. and 1 to 4 p. m.

### JAMES H. RANKIN

Commissioner of Highways.  
Office, City Hall.      Hours, 10 to 11 a. m.

### CHARLES K. HOLMBURG

Commissioner of Health and Civic Beauty.  
Ex-Officio City Clerk and Auditor.  
Office, City Hall.      Hours, 9 to 12

### COUNCIL MEETINGS.

Every Tuesday at 4 o'clock  
City Hall, Phone Junction

## CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYES

CITY ATTORNEY.....HENRY TUPPER  
Office, Currie Building. Phone Junction 99.

CITY ENGINEER.....FRANK R. HALL  
Office, 451 Main Street. Phone Junction 739.

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

Phone Junction 770.

CHIEF OF POLICE.....C. H. WALLIS  
ASSISTANT CHIEF OF POLICE.....WILLIAM C. HERMANN  
DAY POLICEMAN AND TRUANT OFFICER.....J. J. ALLISON  
NIGHT POLICEMEN.....WM. A. KNOCHE AND A. L. HALLIGAN

### WATER DEPARTMENT

Phone Superintendent Water Works, Residence, Junction 614.

Phone, City Reservoir, Hickory 802.

Phone Kannish Creek Intake, Whitewater, Purple 7512.

CONSTRUCTION REPAIRER.....CHARLES GARBER  
CARE-TAKER, Kannish Creek Intake.....JAMES WOODS

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Phone Junction 10.

FIRE CHIEF AND CITY WEIGHER.....J. S. HYNES  
ASSISTANT CHIEF.....GEORGE BOWEN  
SEWER FIRE AUTO.....A. P. CROOKS  
MULAR FIREMAN.....CLAUDE HEADRICK

### HEALTH DEPARTMENT

HEALTH OFFICER.....DR. CARL W. PLUMB  
Office Fair Building. Phone Hickory 731.

WENKER.....Garbage Collector  
Phone Randolph 684.

.....City Scavenger  
Phone Junction 568.

### LABOR SERVICE COMMISSION

President JOS. E. MOORHEAD, Vice President  
Dr. Balan MONROE STEWART, Secretary.