

turned to the city by the Sixteenth-street route.

Besides about thirty-five ladies, the following were present: William H. Kullback, G. J. Griffith, Ivar A. Weld, George W. Hersee, A. Bernhelm, Thomas Kelley, J. F. Jenkins, J. M. Wolham, W. H. Barrow, Charles Allyn, W. H. Culp, A. H. Hedley, A. K. Waters, J. Gray, W. B. Larraber, F. J. Stillson, H. Deutsch, S. H. Kingery, K. C. Wagenbach, E. M. Putnam, Robert Hale, Rev. E. Cash, C. A. Scovel, Thomas Hunt, F. J. Kepner, E. R. Bohan, N. E. Heywood, Prof. S. A. Hooper, J. F. Ballard, H. J. Whitley, I. F. Johnson, E. S. Tomblin, T. W. Kane, R. M. Hale, R. B. Thrasher, J. A. Cumming, F. S. Bynon, D. J. Loomis, John Lord, E. S. Field and I. H. Spire.

## BOULEVARD ENTHUSIASTS GIVEN OBJECT LESSON.

### EXCURSION TO INSPECT THE WORK AT HOLLYWOOD.

Members of the Sunset Improvement Association More Than Ever Determined to Work for Extension from Los Angeles to the Sea.

Hollywood yesterday proudly showed off Prospect boulevard as an object lesson to her neighboring good-roads enthusiasts. Members of the Sunset Boulevard Improvement Association and their ladies to the number of 100 attended the excursion tendered by G. J. Griffith, H. J. Whitley and the residents of Hollywood. The Los Angeles-Pacific Railway furnished three special cars for the trip, which was made for the purpose of inspecting the boulevard recently completed there, and furthering the movement, to extend the Sunset boulevard from the city limits to join it.

This is but a part of the greater plan to construct a broad, well-shaded thoroughfare from Los Angeles to the sea, although the project at present agitated contemplates the extension of the Sunset boulevard from the Sisters' Hospital, where a three-quarters of a mile stretch is now completed, to the entrance of Laurel Cañon, at the foot of the mountains.

The Sunset Boulevard Improvement Association has a membership of nearly a hundred residents of various suburbs along the electric line, and they are working with confidence and enthusiasm for the broad and level road into the city. Already many owners of property abutting the proposed boulevard have signed for their share of the cost of construction, and the Council will doubtless be asked to give some aid. Acreage, it is argued, will double in value with the improvement, but in a few places expensive cuts and fills will hurt property values. This at present seems to be the chief obstacle to speedy consummation of the project.

Yesterday the party was first taken beyond Hollywood to the point where the boulevard route crosses the electric line. Deeds have already been secured for the 100-foot strip necessary for the boulevard clear from Los Angeles to the ocean. Returning to Hollywood the guests were given the freedom of the palatial residence and grounds of H. J. Whitley, where light refreshments were served, and a few moments spent inspecting the great variety of semi-tropical plants growing there.

G. J. Griffith, H. J. Whitley and others then made short impromptu speeches. Mr. Griffith briefly reviewed the various similar projects that had failed in the past, but expressed confidence in the success of the Sunset enterprise. He said he would gladly donate all the granite needed for the surfacing, and said that, all considered, the cost would not be very great.

Mr. Whitley said that with the completion of the proposed boulevard he predicted that Hollywood would become a second Pasadena, and that there is no reason why the movement should not be carried through to success.

Rev. E. Cash spoke on behalf of the improvement association, saying that the lessening of the use of profanity by good roads gave the question a moral side. I. A. Weld described the evolution of communications in the northwestern section during the past thirty-one years, with a humorous view of the old dummy line. E. S. Field promised to give the support he could properly as a Supervisor. F. J. Stillson and Thomas Kelley also spoke briefly.

With three hearty cheers for each of the prime movers in the plan, the excursionists then re-embarked and re-