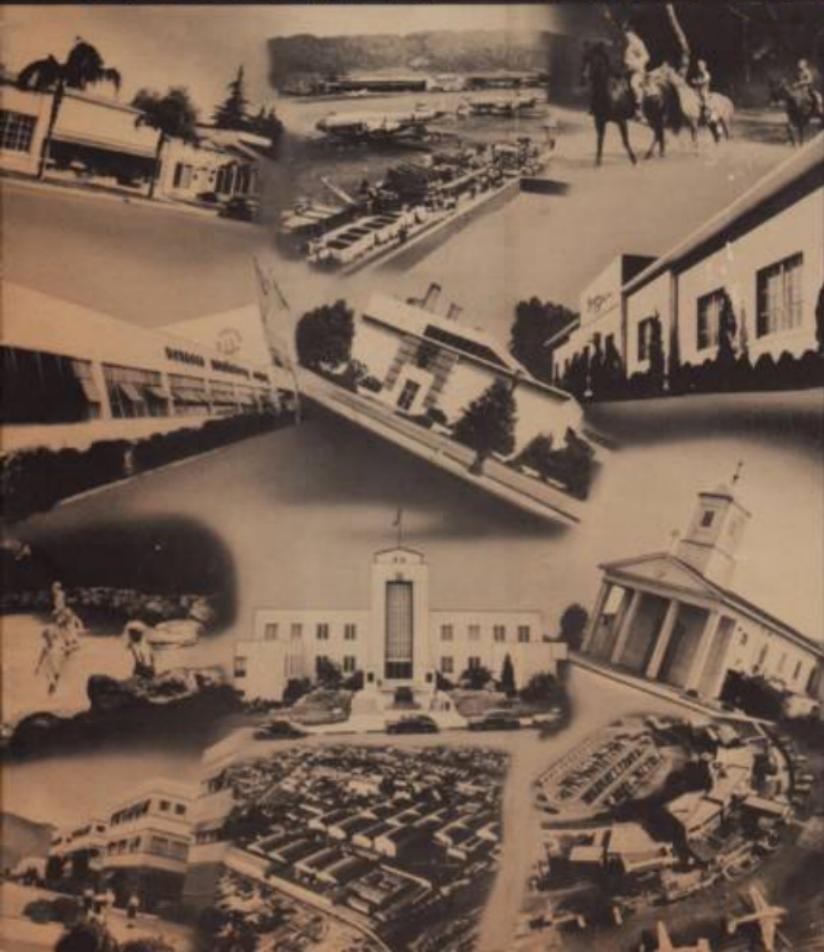


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gateway to the **SAN FERNANDO VALLEY**

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Burbank was established May 1, 1887, when the Pasadena Land, Water and Development Company subdivided a tract of seven square miles in the Verdugo sheep ranges of Rancho La Providence and Rancho San Rafael. The new townsite was named for Dr. David Burbank, a pioneer Los Angeles physician, from whom the land was purchased. It remained a village of only a few hundred until the Pacific Electric Railway line was built from Los Angeles. The community's real growth started in the '20s, continued in the '30s, skyrocketed in the '40s.



Burbank, which was incorporated July 8, 1911, is 12 miles from downtown Los Angeles, six miles from Hollywood and 18 miles from the beaches along the Pacific Ocean. Within easy driving distance of the city mountains, seashore and desert are available for every conceivable type of sport and recreation. Burbank is a city of lovely homes and industrial plants, big and small. It is a city of good schools and churches. In short, a fine place in which to live, to work and to play.



### Service Clubs Here Active, Influential

These groups are always seeking ways and means for promoting the moral and cultural well-being of the city as well as providing good fellowship.

♀ ♀ ♀ These exclusively for women include the Women's Club, Business and Professional Women's Club and the Zonta Club. ♂ ♂ ♂ Men's organizations include Exchange, Kiwanis, Lions, Optimist, Rotary and 20-30. ♀ ♀ ♀ Burbank also has an entire Junior Chamber of Commerce which puts on the annual Burbank on Parade celebration. ♀ ♀ ♀ In 1947

His three-day festival attracted over 100,000 visitors.

### SERVICE CLUBS



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## DOMESTIC



## *A City of Homes Along Shady Streets*

Family life flourishes in Burbank and amazing records of home construction are being made because this community is one of the best residential areas in the United States. Most of the homes are occupied by owners and there are few rentals, thus accounting for a high degree of civic pride in progress and growth. Truly, Burbank is a capital-crowned city in every sense of the word. Homes in this city continue to increase the attractiveness of the community with architectural beauty so well fitted to the Southern California climate. The ideal residential districts have brought about a more rapid expansion in the ever-increasing number of new homes. Strict building requirements, rigidly enforced, have brought to home construction the very highest standards of perfection.



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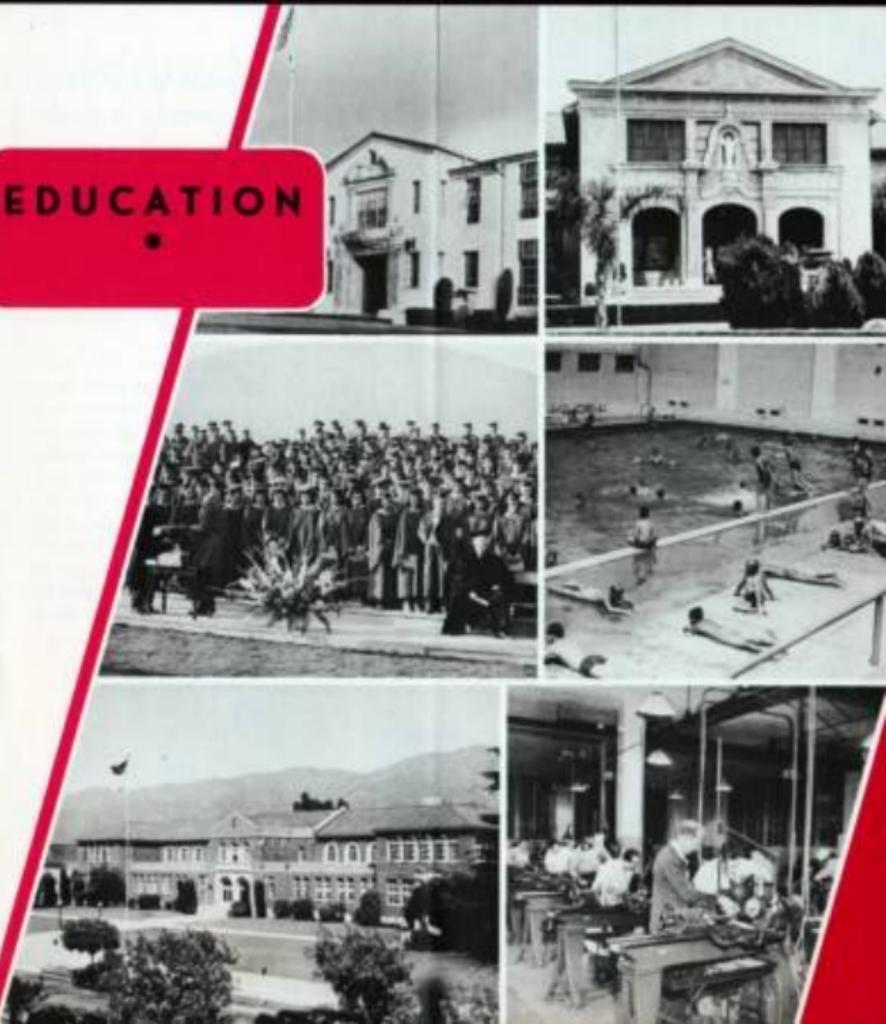


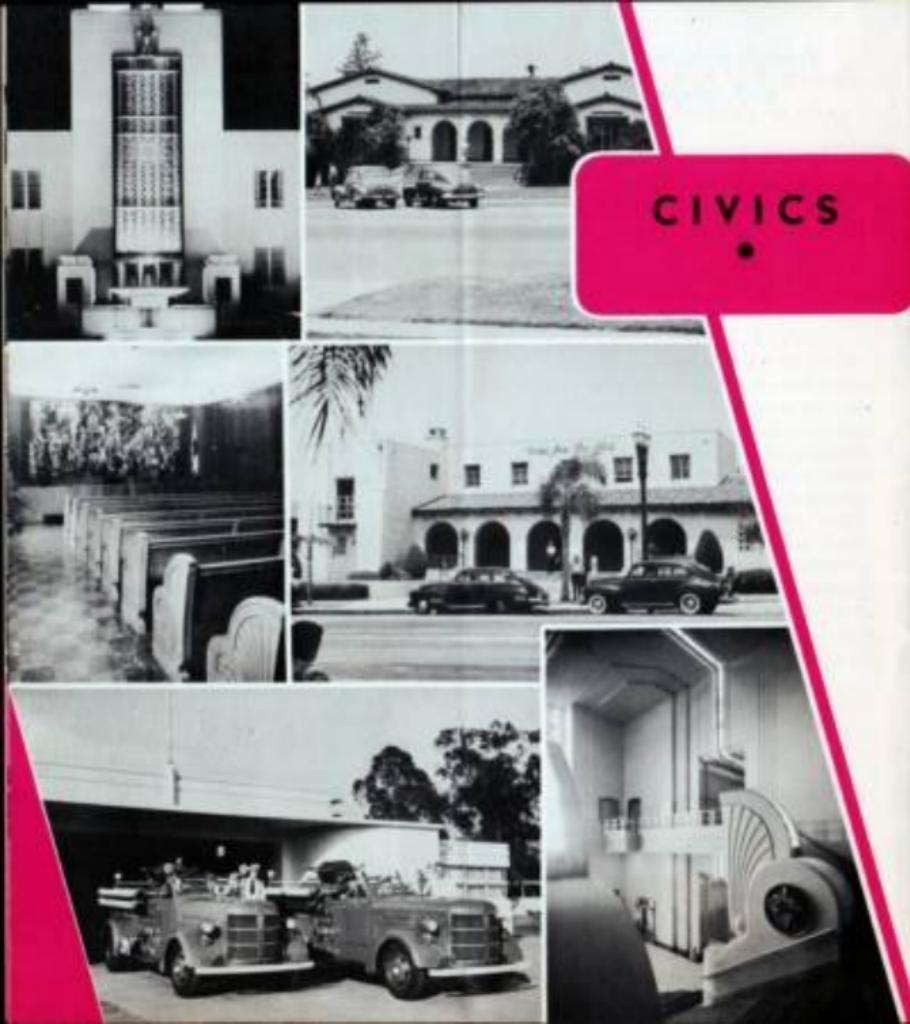
## Modern Schools Keeping Pace

In Burbank, from nursery school through the twelfth grade, more than 11,000 children are enrolled; and, in addition, the adult education schools serve over 2,700. Burbank's schools have kept pace with the demands of a rapidly growing community. Fine buildings with modern equipment are manned by well-trained, capable teaching staffs. By a twenty to one vote, the citizens in 1946 voted a \$1,800,000 bond issue for school building projects. Carefully planned courses of study prepare young people to enter the vocational fields or to continue their education in one of the many institutions of higher learning. Since Burbank High School is accredited by the University of California, its graduates are eligible for entrance in any college or university. With approximately 50 per cent of Burbank's students continuing their education after high school, this rating is essential.



## EDUCATION





## CIVICS

*Council, City Manager  
Form of Government*

Burbank welcomes visitors or permanent residents to share in the efficient and friendly services of its city government. Well-staffed municipal departments assure the best in fire and police protection. Burbank is proud of its efficiently operated and city-owned water and power plants. An abundant supply of water is assured for all future requirements. By direct connection with the Los Angeles Metropolitan Water District and the Boulder Dam Power Project, the Burbank city government is continuing its policy of long term planning. The accompanying photographs show graphically some of the modern structures in which municipal services are headquartered.

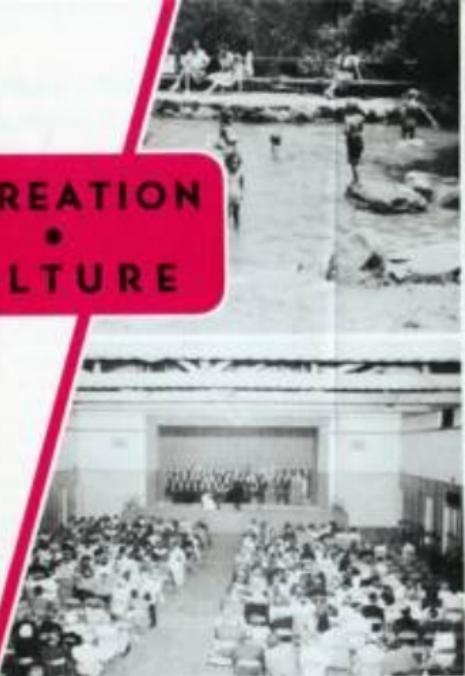




*220 Acres Laid Out  
in Parks, Playgrounds*

Leisure time opportunities in the parks, playground and recreational areas within the city limits have a wide diversity of appeal and are designed to meet many choices in sports, social and vocational activities. Some of the parks are designed primarily for organized activity in sports and vocational recreation and others for their aesthetic values. The Burbank Symphony Orchestra, the Choral Club and a number of little theatre groups influence Burbank's cultural life. Horseback riding is popular here, with both public and individually owned stables. Nearly everyone swims — in pools or in the nearby Pacific. Young people, such as Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and members of the YMCA hike and camp in nearby mountains.

RECREATION  
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CULTURE





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## INDUSTRY

### Burbank A Leading Industrial Center

This city is the home of some of the most famous names in industry. It literally teems with the activity of several hundred small plants. It is famed as an aircraft and motion picture center. The Lockheed Aircraft Corporation is here. Warner Brothers Studio, occupying 120 acres, is the largest in the world. The Walt Disney Studio covers 51 acres. Columbia Pictures Corporation has 80 acres for outdoor shooting. Articles made in Burbank besides airplanes and motion pictures include furniture, flashlights, washing machines, water heaters, ceramics, phonograph records, hydraulic equipment, air conditioning machinery, soap and toilet articles, cabinets, ice cream, dehydrated foods, plastics, chemicals, instruments, canning, tools and dies.



Walt Disney Studio



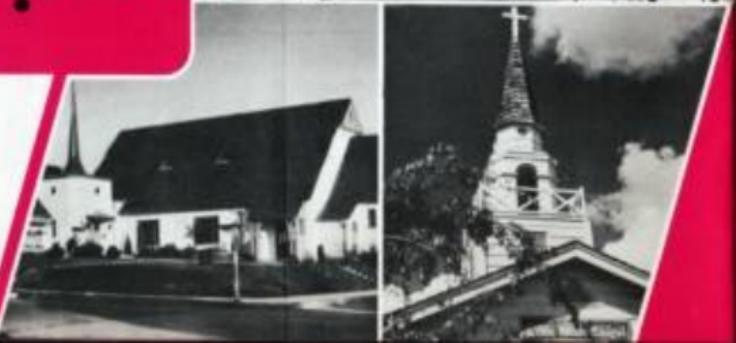
Lockheed Air Terminal



## Burbank's Growing Churches Friendly

The 30 churches of Burbank are attempting to serve the spiritual and moral needs of a greatly expanded population. To this end many of the churches already are constructing new or additional buildings with increased equipment and facilities. There are many active church-centered youth organizations, interchurch groups and church schools which are providing for the religious nurture of this community. Through an Inter-faith Council provision is made for week-day religious instruction. Special services are handled by the Burbank Ministerial Association.

## CHURCHES



# CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BURBANK CALIFORNIA INFORMATION

Building Permits: 1946 — \$14,567,088.00.

Newspapers: Two daily; one semi-weekly; one weekly.

Hotels: Eight; Motels: Eighteen.

Transportation: Southern Pacific Railroad and Pacific Electric Railway; four bus lines: Greyhound, Burbank City Lines, Arbury Rapid Transit System, Glendale City Lines.

Theatres: Five.

Public Libraries: Two (see main, see branch).

Schools: One high school; two junior high schools and eleven elementary schools, with an enrollment of 11,486.

City Statistics: Light meters: 1946 — 21,922; Water meters: 1946 — 17,752; Gas meters: 1946 — 20,053; Telephones: 1946 — 23,427.

Industry: Over 300 manufacturing plants.

Population: 1920 — 2,912; 1930 — 16,662; 1940 — 34,337; 1943 — 53,899; public census: 1947—72,588 U. S. census.

Registered voters: 1946 — 22,474.

Area: 16.7 square miles.

Altitude: 484 to 957 feet above sea level.

Average Temperature: 58 degrees; Rainfall: 15 inches.

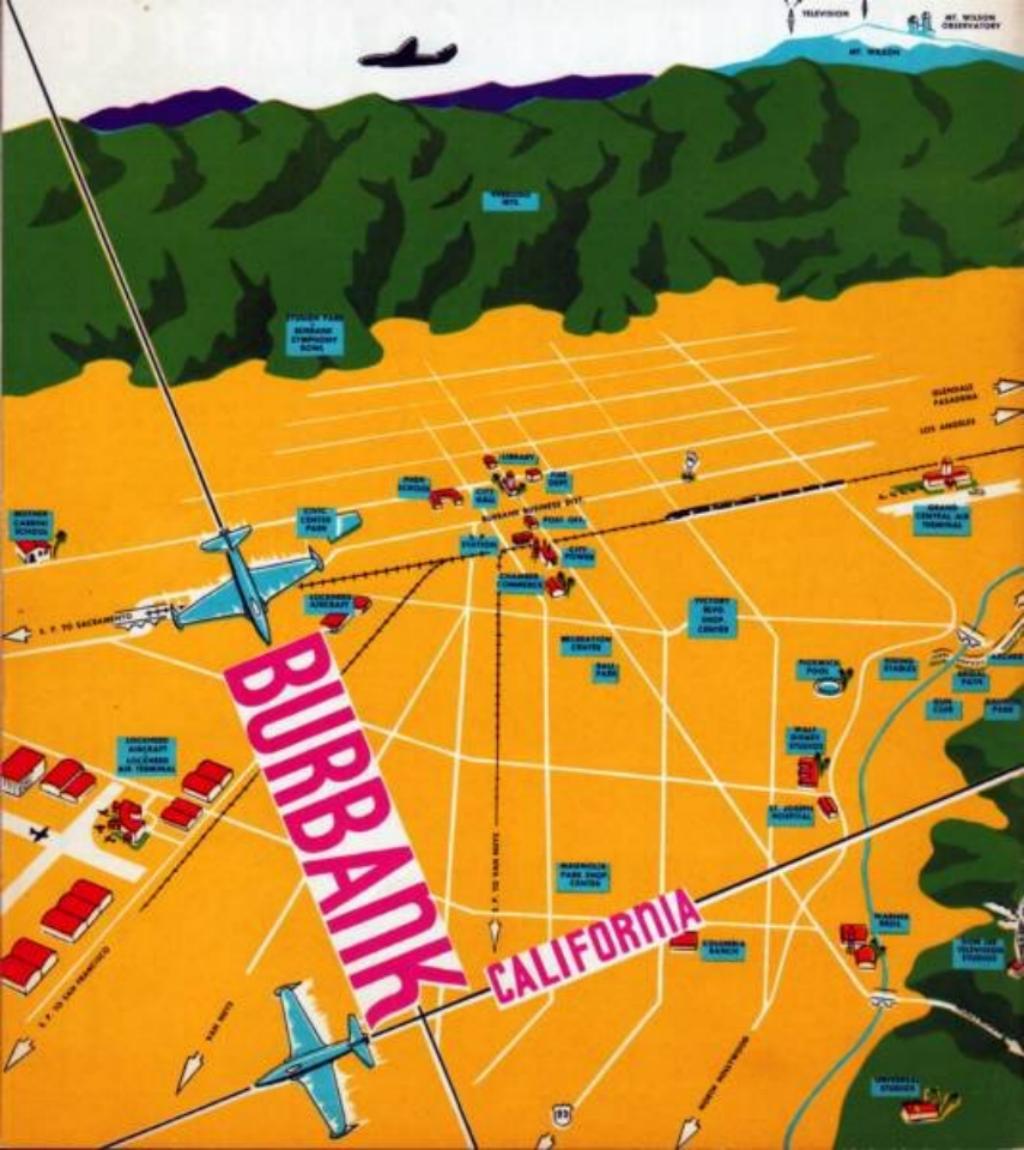
Assessed Valuation: 1947, \$115 million; Tax rate, 1946-47: City, \$1.89; School, \$2.02; County, \$1.88; Misc., \$.41; Total, \$5.31 per \$100.00. Based on 50% valuation.

Finance: Four banks with total deposits of \$80,499,141 in 1946; two building and loan associations; four finance companies.

Post Office Receipts: 1946 — \$49,370.82.

Churches: Thirty.





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