



In 1905, it was requested to require all officers to provide themselves with a revolver of uniform length and caliber, style to be adopted by the Police Commission.



In 1905, it was requested to require each officer to place and keep a telephone in his residence so he may be promptly notified if there is need for his services near his home and can be called to Central Station in emergencies, to court when needed as a witness, etc.

Department's first motorized vehicle, a 1904 electric patrol wagon, was purchased. This vehicle, which travelled at a swift eight miles per hour, doubled as an ambulance, but had no brakes. It was the responsibility of the passenger officer to bring the wagon to a halt in the event the driver was not able to slow the vehicle to a stop. In addition, two motorcycles were put into operation.



The acquisition of the Department's first gas automobile, a 2-cylinder vehicle occurred in 1907.



In 1909, budget constraints brought about the cheaper, silver 3rd badge.

In 1904, the Department was placed under Civil Service.



In 1904, a Property Clerk was appointed.

Records was established in 1906 with the personnel of one Detective Sergeant.

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In 1904, a telephone exchange was installed at Central Station.

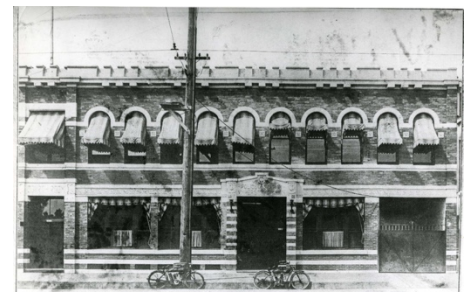


The chain gang from the City Jail worked making cuts, fills and grades in the roads and streets of the hill sections of the City in 1904.

In 1904, the Honorable Council provided for two sub-stations; one situated in Boyle Heights, in the ninth ward, and another in Jefferson St, in the 5th ward. These stations, along with the station on the East Side make three sub-stations.



University Sub-Station



University Division

The first fully constructed station outside of the police headquarters was University Division, so named because of its proximity to USC. The division was established in 1905, and its station in 1909.

Using access to water as a bargaining tool, the City of Los Angeles manages to annex a shoestring strip of land extending south to San Pedro in 1906.



Captain Auble's funeral procession, 1908

The first request for funding to buy photographic equipment for the department was made by Chief Walter Auble in 1905. He also requested to hire a photographer. Ironically, the oldest crime scene photos in the LAPD's possession are of Auble's murder Sept. 9, 1908. (→)