

History of the School.

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The Albion Street School is old and new. The first structure, a wooden building, still in use, was built in 1892. The school was known as the Hayes Street School until 1903, when the name was changed to Nineteenth Avenue. In 1917 the name was changed to Albion.

The two concrete buildings were re-habilitated three years ago, and they are not only safe, but have the charm of modern architecture and cheerful coloring.

The Albion community is identified with the early history of Los Angeles. It is within the 'five minute call zone' of the Southern Pacific shops, where many of the parents are employed. It is a compact community, east of North Broadway. Most of the children are American born, but their racial backgrounds are Italian and Mexican.

The school is a neighborhood center and tries to meet the needs of the community. In the Americanization cottage eighty-five adults study English, citizenship, sewing and cooking.

The nursery unit cares for ninety-four children of pre-school age.

The children in the kindergarten and elementary departments have experiences similar to the children in the other elementary schools of the city. They and their parents appreciate all that is being done for them by the Los Angeles Board of Education. They take great pride in their school and are very cooperative.