

LOCAL HISTORY

Let there be a traffic light

Each week, the Onondaga Historical Association looks back at important events:

93 Years Ago:

On Dec. 29, 1922, a traffic light made by the Crouse-Hinds company of Syracuse was installed at the intersection of James and State streets. This was the first electric traffic light in Syracuse. Crouse-Hind's first traffic light installation in the United States was in Houston, Texas, in February of 1921. Its factory, now part of the Eaton Corp., is at the corner of

Wolf Street and 7th North Street. Crouse-Hinds was also responsible for making the now famous upside-down traffic light on Tipperary Hill.



Syracuse's first traffic light. (OHA photo)

— Dan Connors for the OHA



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