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Historic Safes Served Metro and Predecessor Agencies Since 1911



Gail Edwards, an assistant financial analyst in the Treasury Dept., takes a last look at two safes in use by Metro and its predecessor agencies since at least 1911 when they belonged to the Los Angeles Railway.

Until last month, the safes were used to secure cash and checks, daily deposits and payroll records. Over a weekend, they were moved from their specially reinforced location on the 21st floor to be replaced by a newer – and certainly less historic and ornamented – unit. The old safes have now been placed in storage for possible future sale. (Nov. 4, 2005)



Manufactured in Cincinnati in April, 1906, the safes are decorated with federal eagles, lilies and gold leaf borders.



