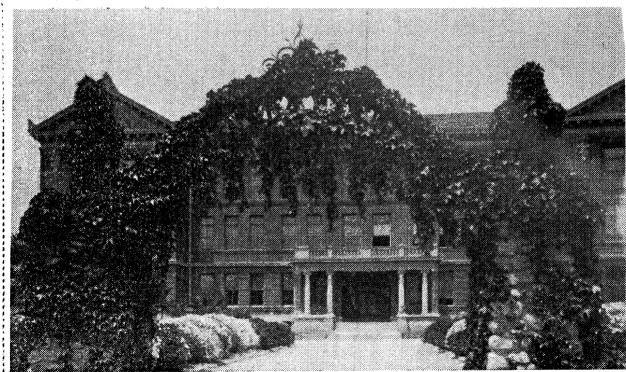


Destroyed by fire

The Boyle Heights campus of Occidental College was destroyed by fire Jan. 13, 1896, caused by a defective flue in the roof of the tower. Classes resumed Jan. 16 in the Sunday school rooms of the Boyle Heights Presbyterian Church. College officials and community leaders are shown surveying the damage.



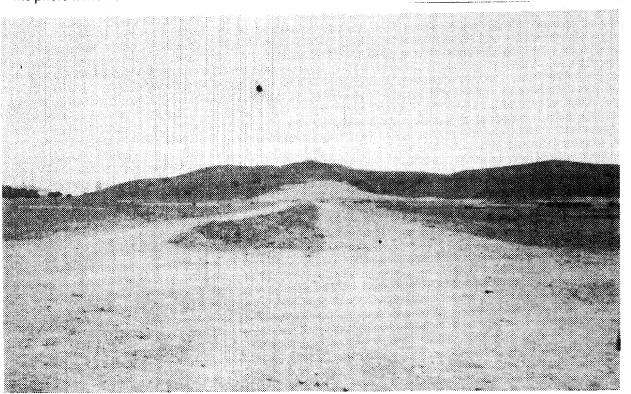
Ivy covered entrance

Twin arroyo rock columns supported a wrought iron archway at the Avenue 50 entrance to Occidental College, the name barely discernable in the ivy. Among the visitors to that site was President Theodore Roosevelt who toured the campus with Charles Lummis, founder of the Southwest Museum.



Highland Park site

Easily one of the most distincting buildings in Highland Park near the turn of the century was Occidental Academy, the white structure in the right center of the photo. The street in the middle of the photo is Monte Vista Avenue.



Present location

Only rough grading of the present site of Occidental College, including the split roadway of Alumni Avenue, had been completed when this picture was taken in 1912. Students remained housed at the Avenue 50 and North Figueroa site until the new campus was finished in 1915.