



Winston-Salem Firefighters pose with their new motorized engine (Forsyth Co. Public Library)

### **NEW FIRE ENGINE**

**May 14, 1915-** Board agreed to purchase a new fire engine to be placed at the 8th Street Station. The engine was an American La France type 10 triple combination motor truck, 750 gallon capacity, for \$9,000, less an allowance of \$1,000 for the old steam fire engine and to take notes of the City in payment of difference during in 1917, 1918, 1919, and 1920 for \$2,000 each.

### **COLORED FIRE COMPANY DISBANDED**

**July 9, 1915-** The Fire Committee recommended the disbandment of the Colored Hook and Ladder and Hose Company on recommendations from the Fire Chief.

A Committee protesting the disbandment spoke before the Board on July 16 and the Board agreed to postpone the abandonment until the Fire Chief, Fire Committee and representatives of the committee could meet.

On August 27, the Fire Committee again recommended disbandment effective Sept 1 unless the Board decided to take other action. The Board took no action. The Board then gave permission to the Social Service to occupy the building on Vine Street, formerly occupied by the Colored Fire Department.

Source: [City of Winston-Salem](http://www.cityofwinston-salem.com)