



On September 16th, 1916, Officer Ralph Maple was summoned to the Santa Fe Railroad depot for a report of an intoxicated subject threatening people with a handgun. Officer Maples spotted the subject walking along the railroad tracks and he followed the subject to a residence on west "G" street where shots were fired. Officer Maple was fatally wounded during the exchange of gunfire. The suspect survived his wounds and was convicted of murder and sent to prison for the remainder of his life. Officer Maple's sacrifice in the line of duty is memorialized by the National Police Officer's Memorial, the California Police Officer's Memorial and the San Bernardino County Police Officer's Memorial.