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# STATION X

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## Just Police Radio,

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## To Lose Headquarters, Under New Orders.

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## Equipment To Be Divorced From Registration—New Rooms Being Prepared.

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Station X is about to become just another police radio broadcasting station.

After four years of operation from quarters in the basement of City Hall in the Ninth Street and Central Avenue corner, Station X is to be moved when the central system of registration, scheduled to be ready for operation July 1, goes into effect.

Along with the transfer of headquarters of the station, which is designated by the letter X—why, no one seems to know—the station is to lose part of its work.

Instead of being a part of what Safety Director Fred K. Hoehler and Police Chief Eugene T. Weatherly call an "inactive" sta-

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tion, Station X is to be used exclusively for receiving complaints, dispatching radio controlled cars, and operating the teletype system.

The present system of having the "front counter" part of Station X in charge of the City Hall lock-up, women's place of detention, downtown police reserves, and registration of prisoners at Detective Headquarters, will be no more. Those matters will become problems for the central registration bureau. This bureau, to be designated "Police Headquarters," will be directed by Detective Chief Emmett D. Kirgan, Hoehler and Chief Weatherly announced.

Kirgan also will have charge of Station X, the broadcasting unit, which will have quarters on the third floor of City Hall, on the Central Avenue side.

Police headquarters, under the new registration system, will be located in what is the "front counter" part of Station X, at Ninth Street and Central Avenue. All records of current complaints, such as larcenies, missing persons, automobile thefts, accidents, injured persons, and aided cases, are to be sent to police headquarters by the seven "active" police districts. All prisoners, no matter in what part of the city they are arrested, are to be quartered in the City Hall cellblock.

At present prisoners are kept at Station X, the Fourth District Station, West Fifth Street; First District Station, York Street, and the Second District Station, Broadway.

By keeping all prisoners in one lock-up, Hoehler and Chief Weatherly point out, it will be easier for

interested persons to locate them. Also, by keeping prisoners in one central lock-up, Hoehler said, it is expected to effect a saving by reducing the transporting work done by patrols.

In the matter of keeping current reports at the new police headquarters, which really isn't new at all because it has been a police station for years, being occupied by old District One before the setting up of Station X, June 16, 1931, the public will find it easier to obtain police information, department officials believe.

Old records are to be kept at the Police Bureau of Records, but those of the current day and the day before are to be available at once. During Station X's existence thousands of persons have visited it to seek information. Most of the time they of necessity were sent to one of the several police stations, detective headquarters, or the Bureau of Records, to obtain the desired data.

Work of remodeling Station X's new quarters has been started, Hoehler said.