

LINCOLN THEATRE CIRCA 1926

It was the largest venue for Black entertainment west of the Mississippi River. Throughout its existence, the Lincoln Theatre brought in the best of local and international entertainment from film, radio, television and records. Its bill of fare read like "Who's Who in Sepia Entertainment." Old-timer "Spud" Collins remembers, "I saw a live show and movie for only 50 cents in 1928." In the 1960's, Rev. Samuel Crouch, the uncle of Andrae Crouch, bought the legendary Lincoln Theatre, which was used for his Church of God in Christ Assemblies.

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