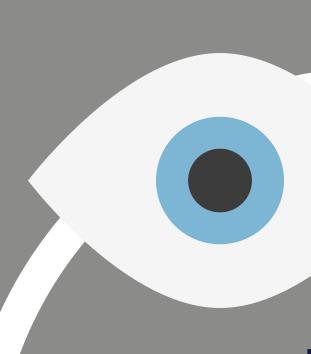


HISTORY OF POLICING



The modern United States police force can trace its roots to early English society. The following timeline provides a brief glimpse at the formation of modern policing.



Watch System

Pre-1200s

Pledge System

Neighbors and settlements were responsible for aiding neighbors and protecting against thieves and marauders.

Watchmen were

organized by church parish in larger areas.

Tythingman

Responsible for tithings

Hundredman Responsible for hundred (considered first real police officer)

New York City 1626 Sheriff's Office founded

Shire reeve

(forerunner to sheriff) Appointed by Crown or local landowner to supervise territory



1635

Boston, MA, begins first Night Watch

Private Police United Kingdom Thief takers: corrupt private

police who took profit from catching criminals, but also from blackmail, accepting hush money, and giving perjured evidence.

Henry Fielding appointed London city magistrate and creates **Bow Street Runners**

Private Police





"Slave patrols" Charged with recapturing

theft of livestock

Boston streets





Boston creates

escaped slaves in the South



first local modern police department 1838

1845

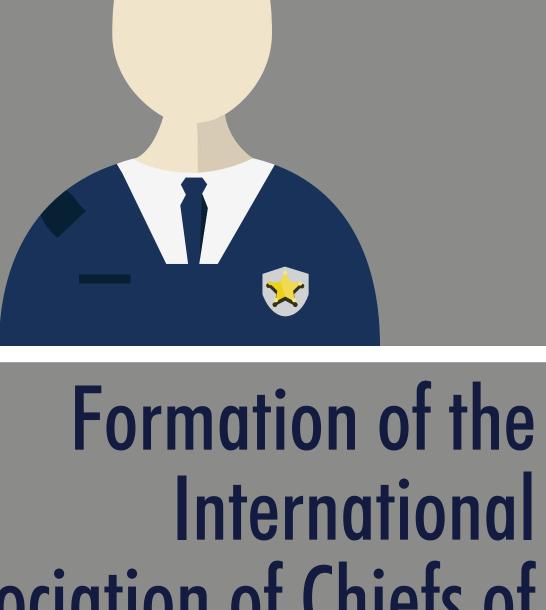


Linking police precincts by telegraph offices

1850s

and night watchmen

police department



1854

police department

Philadelphia

establishes a

Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) and a push for police reform in the early 20th century

1929

1931

1893

creates National commission on Law Observance and Enforcement

President Hoover

Wickersham



system and makes recommendations for the future.

