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Recruit Training Receives Special Emphasis In Amsterdam

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Amsterdam, one of Europe's largest cities, lies at the mouth of the Amstel River, 30 miles northeast of The Hague. Situated below sea level, the city is the capital of the Netherlands and a leading European commercial center. The following article was written with the cooperation of the Amsterdam Police Department or Gemeentepolitie Amsterdam. It is published as one of a series, conceived to illuminate both the common and contrasting characteristics of American methods of police work compared to European methods. Hopefully, the series will add insight into the universal difficulties faced by policemen, regardless of nationality.

Every police administration strives for excellence. In the Amsterdam Department the search begins logically, at recruit inception. Applicants for positions generally range between 17 and 21 years of age with a high school degree. But in Holland that degree represents five years' of work beyond the elementary school level. Applicants beyond the age of 21 (to age 29) need not be graduates, but must successfully pass a battery of tests designed to display their attained educational level. Significantly, all applicants must undergo psychological testing.

Amsterdam, like many major cities, suffers from a shortage of police officers. In spite of much time and money spent directly on the recruitment process, only 5-10 per cent of initial applicants actually enter the 2,350 man force.

Twelve months training

If accepted, the applicant enters the Police Training School for the following twelve months. There, as in most countries, Law plays a dominant role in the curriculum. The Training School, however, aims to graduate a well rounded individual: every recruit must learn to type and must participate in an extensive sports program, besides gaining technical familiarity with internal automobile components. Thirty-three hours of in-

struction are given in the Dutch language, a course of study adopted to sharpen future reportorial skills.

Promotional procedures are often divergent from the American conception. The Chief Commissioner and his thirteen direct subordinates are appointed by the Queen through the Home Office. The remaining members, through the ranks, are appointed by Amsterdam's mayor or *burgomaster*. Promotion is based upon suitability for the position, seniority and capability.

slow promotional process

Graduates from the Training School receive a Police Certificate which entitles them to the rank of Constable. After five years' satisfactory service the officer is promoted to First Class. It takes, by regulation, an additional year and a half to be considered for the rank of Sergeant. During the interim, however, an additional Police Certificate must be obtained which necessitates two lessons a week, each of three hours duration. In addition, a promotion Board consisting of the Chief Commissioner and four of his deputies interview prospective Sergeants. Small wonder that the average time to the rank of Sergeant is ten years.

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Native Son

Each year during the Christmas Holiday season college seniors from the Baltimore Metropolitan Area are invited to participate in Operation Native Son. The program, which took place this year on December 28th and 29th drew a new participant, the Baltimore Police Department.

The preliminary results of the Department's involvement are quite encouraging. During the two day period 115 college seniors, visiting the Department's booth at the Civic Center, were interviewed. Ninety-four of those seniors either filed the employment application form or took one home with them, to be filed at a later date. More than a dozen applicants have already been tested, some have received physical examinations. Since many of the seniors interviewed will not graduate until June of this year it is natural that many of them who took employment forms home with them will be filling them out this Spring, in anticipation of starting to work sometime during the summer.

Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau is interested in attracting all qualified

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Sergeant Gregory Hardesty explains benefits of police work to an interested citizen.



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Amsterdam Police

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The selection process for the Detective Bureau is no less exhaustive. Applicants from the general police force can apply after the fifth year of service. Successful completion of the written test earns the right to appear before an oral interview board. Again, an extensive psychological test is employed. Officers who have met all requirements are attached to various Detective branches for three to six months. Then comes a fifteen week course at the National Detective School at Wolfheze, followed, after its completion, by reassignment back to the Detective Branch.

There the officer works solely under the supervision of a Detective Sergeant for another three months, finishing the arduous series of hurdles with three more months of independent investigative work. If, by the conclusion of his final temporary term all judgments are sufficient, the new man is allowed to use the title, "Detective."

Amsterdam Criminal Investigation is broken into squads: Morality Police, Juveniles, Counterfeit, Auto Theft and so on. Though they possess only local police authority, they are empowered through national law to carry out their investigations in other regions of the country.

Most members of the General Force use mechanized transport and all undergo driving efficiency tests. Amsterdam

Police employ several types of automobiles: Dodge, Mercedes, Chevrolet and Volvo. Primarily the General Force uses Volkswagens and DAF'S. The Riot Squad drives Renaults predominantly, while the entire Amsterdam Force is also equipped with vans and lorries. Motorcycles are used for Traffic control and for assisting the Riot Squad, especially during parades honoring visiting royalty. The B.M.W. 600 is the preferred vehicle.

A departmental accident in Amsterdam bares the vehicle's operator to three types of action. Depending on the seriousness of the accident, a penal suit may be undertaken, and, since Amsterdam insures under "third party" risk policies, the driving officer is liable to civil suit. Also, there remains the prospect of departmental disciplinary action. Every police officer's capacity and accidents as a driver are recorded. The extensive file, compiled by the Amsterdam Department's own Driving School, is always weighed considerably before punitive disciplinary action is undertaken.

riot squad assignment

Young officers newly graduated from the Police Training School are automatically assigned to the Riot Squad for a four month span. Basic Training covers the use of riot equipment, appropriate formations and pertinent laws for the first month. A good physical condition is essential, and swimming and other sports are again strongly encouraged.

The remainder of the Riot Squad assignment takes on the characteristics of graduate police work for the young officers. They assist regular Constables in a wide range of police duties and generally familiarize themselves with the potential obstacles they have been trained to surmount.

Normal techniques used in crowd dispersal do differ somewhat from American practices. The Riot Squad is equipped with helmets, shields and leather truncheons. In the event of large disturbances the Riot Police are assisted both by motorcycle and horse mounted officers who form a mobile unit that can effectively disperse large crowds without the use of weapons.

district assignment

After their four month period within the Riot Squad expires, the officers are

reassigned to one of Amsterdam's six police stations under the direct supervision of a Constable, First Class. The passage of another three months witnesses their final reassignment to regular duty. For the next two years they are carried as members of the Riot Squad and can be recalled at any time.

The Amsterdam Police have been called upon numerous times in the past to quell disturbances within their normally placid city. During a one month period in early 1969, the Riot Squad was called upon to search a large park for a missing child; to assist the correctional personnel of a juvenile prison during a disorder; and to control a large disorderly crowd demonstrating against the ruler of Spain.

preventive information

Today, probably the most significant trend becoming evident in Amsterdam is the growing affinity of many young people towards the use of so-called *soft* drugs, marihuana and hashish. The Amsterdam police and courts admit a lack of familiarity with the problem. To counteract the trend, government administrators provide preventive information to the young people. But the program is still in initial stages and, at the present time, primarily embodies only films and lectures illustrating the dangers of illicit drug use. Amsterdam's judicial bodies, as in many other countries, normally display a lenient image. First offenders generally draw "conditional" sentences. Appearing a second or third time may result in two weeks' imprisonment. Even dealers in the soft drugs rarely net more than two months time in prison, even though the maximum penalty exacted by law is four years.

It is evident that Amsterdam's ability to concentrate on education and training to such a wide extent is the partial result of a relatively low crime rate, especially when American cities are compared. Modernization costs money, as do high standards. Amsterdam, comparable in population size to Baltimore with 900,000 residents, has, at maximum estimates, only approximately five hundred "hard" drug addicts. As a representative figure of comparable crime incidences, this extent of drug addiction is greatly revealing. Undoubtedly, Amsterdam has been able to allocate a large percentage of financial resources to areas other than crime fighting.

Native Son

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young people into the field of law enforcement, including college graduates. The Department feels that Operation Native Son presented an excellent opportunity for the college men and women and the Police Department to "talk about the opportunities present in the field of law enforcement."

Sergeant Gregory Hardesty, the Department's Counselor for the College Graduate Program said that college seniors were very interested in the Baltimore Police Department's "Police Agent" program. Under this program college graduates, who qualify, may be appointed to the position of Police Agent after 18 months' service with the Department. Police Agents earn \$10,560 annually.

In addition to those interviewed for patrolman positions, Department representatives spoke with more than two dozen seniors who expressed interest in civilian positions in the Crime Laboratory. The Laboratory Division is presently changing over from police officers to civilian personnel, and there are openings in its crime scene section. Eighteen of the seniors interviewed at the Civic Center promptly submitted employment applications.

The encouraging results of Operation Native Son underline the fact that many young people are beginning to see law enforcement as a field which presents both challenge and serious career potential.

1970 Index Crimes

According to figures released by Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, Index Crimes for the year 1970 showed a cumulative increase of 1.3% when compared with those of 1969.

Included in these figures, violent crimes, representing 30.4% of the total Index Crimes reported to the police, reflected an increase of 112 incidents, up 0.6% over 1969. The violent crime category includes Murder, Rape, Robbery and Aggravated Assault.

Property crimes which include Burglary, Larceny over \$50.00 and Auto Theft increased by 683 incidents, up 1.6% over 1969.

District Christmas Parties

The annual Western District Christmas Party for underprivileged children was held at the St. Peter Claver Catholic Church, Fremont and Pennsylvania Avenues, on Saturday, December 19, 1970. The party, which is supported by contributions from private citizens, business organizations and civic groups, was supervised by police employees and members of the Western District community area.

More of a success than originally anticipated, this year's party hosted over 500 area children who would have lacked the fullness of a joyful Christmas without this community/police function.

The guest of honor at the party was a gentleman by the name of Santa Claus, who distributed scores of presents to the celebrating children.

The Northeastern District held its annual Christmas Party on December 12, 1970 and it was reported to be the best one yet. Music was supplied by the "James Stanley Boys" and additional entertainment was supplied by the musical comedy team of Harold and Edna DeFord, who delighted the children and parents with Christmas music and skits. The success of the party was directly attributed to many of the officers of the Northeastern District and especially to Santa/Officer Clifford Wendricks.



Officials of the Western District and Santa Claus hold the attention of assembled youngsters during their recent Christmas party.



Captain Henry J. Deasel stands with the Northeastern District Christmas celebrants.

NEWS IN BRIEF

COMMUNITY RELATIONS DIVISION

— Welcome aboard to Sergeant John Vogl and Patrolmen John Harbin, Robert Franklin, Robert Dean and Bingham Hunt assigned to the Officer Friendly Program. These officers have been and still are doing an excellent job. Why not call us for their schedule and then pay them a visit at one of the schools located in your District.

HAT'S OFF—to Officer John Harbin, our new Santa Claus, who entertained the families of the Personnel of the Northern District, on his day off. "Big John" looked so good in his red uniform and long white whiskers, even we were fooled.

A JOB WELL DONE—to everyone in the Unit for playing Santa Claus for preparing and delivering 116 Christmas baskets to the needy families. In 1969, 51 baskets were prepared and delivered; 1970 showed an increase of 65 baskets for needy families.

Congratulations to Policewoman Linda Levin on the arrival of her nephew "Joel," who weighed in at 7 lbs. 13 oz.

YOUTH DIVISION — We wish to extend a warm welcome to Officer Timothy Patterson recently assigned to this Division.

The Saints and Sinners of Baltimore Inc. entertained 148 members of the Police Boys' Clubs at the Sixth Annual "Tree of Peace" Christmas Party on the Port Welcome on December 14, 1970. The highlight of the party and cruise was the lighting of the "Tree of Peace" by City Council President, William D. Schaefer and the early arrival of Santa Claus.

Members of the Police Boys' Clubs were entertained at the Eighteenth Annual Children's Christmas Party held on December 19, 1970 at the War Memorial which was sponsored by the American Legion Baltimore District. Also, the annual Christmas Party for members of the various Boys' Clubs was held on December 30, 1970 and each member received a bag filled with goodies.

Twenty members of the Boys' Clubs were entertained on December 24, 1970 by Mr. Timothy Lacey, Hochschild Kohn Company who presented the boys with gifts.

As in the past years, Christmas baskets were packed and delivered by members of the Police Boys' Clubs to needy families of club members. At a breakfast held on December 16, 1970, Mrs. Mary Salemi, President of Sponsors Club, Hochschild Kohn Company presented Major Clarence E. Roy, Jr. with \$53.00 in cash and canned goods for distribution to the underprivileged families of members of the Boys' Clubs.

The Police Boys' Clubs are having a membership drive; it is hoped that any members of the Department who have knowledge of boys 8 to 18 years of age and are interested in joining our group, will guide them to the Clubs.

TACTICAL SECTION — Congratulations to Officer Steven Mourey and his wife, Vicki on the birth of a daughter, Lisa, born January 4, 1971 and weighing in at 5 lbs. 12 oz.

TACTICAL MARINE UNIT — Officer and Mrs. Stanley A. Kalwa celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary on December 30, 1970. In lieu of a planned Hawaiian trip, the couple celebrated at home, with their family and friends.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT — Officer and Mrs. Francis Sheeler became the proud parents of a beautiful baby girl, "Holly" on Christmas Eve, and weighed in at 7 lbs. 2 oz.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Officer and Mrs. Lawrence Despot on the birth of their son, Michael Lawrence, born December 5, 1970, and weighing in at 9 lbs. 10 oz.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Narcotics — Congratulations to Sergeant Arthur E. Westveer who recently graduated from BNDD National Training Institute, Washington, D.C. with an average of 98.

WESTERN DISTRICT — Patrolman and Mrs. John T. Sherman are the proud parents of a new daughter, Jennifer Ellen, born December 13, 1970 and weighing in at 8 lbs. 14 oz.

NORTHERN DISTRICT — Patrolman Bobby Jones and wife, Lorraine, are the proud parents of a son, Bobby, Jr., born January 3, 1971 and weighing in at 7 lbs. 8 oz.

EASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Officer Paul Gain and wife, Carole on the birth of a daughter, Janine Michelle, born January 1, 1971

and weighing in at 6 lbs. 9 oz.

Congratulations to Sergeant John Drexel and Mrs. Pearl Williams, Eastern District Community Council for their preparing and distributing 28 baskets to needy families at Christmas. Our thanks to all members of the Council, the Continental Can Company, the English-American Clothing Manufacturing Company and to Mrs. John Schlisler for their contributions to this worthy cause. Mrs. Pearl Williams did an excellent job as project manager for the cause and we say thanks to her fine efforts.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Officers and Personnel extend sincere sympathy to Officer Walter Marcinko and family on the recent loss of his brother. Also, sincere sympathy to Lieutenant John E. Kerr on the recent loss of his mother.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT — The Northwestern District wishes everyone a Very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

In Memoriam

MARCINKO, MARION, brother of Patrolman Walter Marcinko, assigned Northeastern District, passed away on December 26, 1970.

GRAMS, CHARLES J., brother of Sergeant John Grams, assigned Planning and Research Division, and uncle of Patrolman Francis Robey, assigned Criminal Investigation Division, passed away on December 27, 1970.

ROPER, WALLACE, father of Detective Keith Roper, assigned Criminal Investigation Division, passed away on December 31, 1970.

MCDONALD, JOHN G., brother of Emergency Call Clerk Joseph McDonald, assigned Bureau of Communications Division, passed away on January 2, 1971.

KERR, ROSE A., mother of Lieutenant John E. Kerr, assigned Northeastern District, passed away on January 3, 1971.

BLACKWELL, MARGARET, mother of Sergeant Clarence Blackwell, assigned Motorcycle Section, Traffic Division, passed away on January 4, 1971.

The Department extends its deepest sympathy to the family and loved ones of those recently deceased.



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Helicopter Patrol Begins In Baltimore



The Department's new helicopter demonstrates its maneuverability.

October 23, 1970 marked the appearance of a new police tool for the Baltimore Police Department. After many months of planning and researching, a light observation helicopter was officially placed in service by this Department. Availing itself of a Federal grant, the BPD purchased an FH 1100 helicopter.

Assembled by the Fairchild Hiller Aircraft Co., Inc., Hagerstown, Md., the "chopper" met standard requirements and specifications for its service to the City of Baltimore. Special equipment was installed for the unique Departmental "vehicle": a hoist with a lifting capacity of 300 pounds, a 3.5 million candle power spotlight, a combination siren/public address system, and a "police communications network."

Officials involved in the original planning of helicopter use were admittedly awaiting with anticipation the inception of this aid to municipal law enforcement. And now that helicopter patrol is a reality, the five men assigned to that unit have inherited this feeling of anticipation, and even excitement.

Officer-in-Charge, Sergeant Regis Raf-fensberger, 31 years of age with 10 years in the Department explains it this way, "As an aerial platform, the helicopter has tremendous potential and capability as an instrument to support law enforcement efforts. We are anxiously looking forward to exploring and implementing this capacity to assist in combating crime in Baltimore."

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Officials Meet To Discuss Mutual Problems

Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau was among more than a dozen top local law enforcement officials from across the nation who met with Attorney General John N. Mitchell, Monday, January 11th, 1970.

The four hour session was a wide ranging discussion of mutual law enforcement problems at the federal, state and local level.

That meeting was the second in an ongoing series and was the result of a decision by the Attorney General to undertake a continuing program of personal liaison between the Attorney General's Office and local law enforcement officials for the purpose of achieving more effective cooperation among all agencies concerned with the war against crime.

That decision by the Attorney General followed the Fall Convention of the International Association of Chiefs of Police in Atlantic City, New Jersey, at which closer liaison with the Federal Government was a prime recommendation.

The first meeting was held last October 30th, and was followed by President Nixon's directive to make available FBI investigatory services to local agencies in cases of assaults on police officers. The group, at the second meeting, expressed appreciation of this action and took note of the fact that at least for the present there is a downward trend in this type of assault.

Topics that were discussed included methods to improve the flow of information concerning terrorist activities and plots against policemen.

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The two pilots, Officers Henry Lipincott and R. Scott Miskimon, were appointed to the Department in 1970 and have a total of 4,400 hours of helicopter flight time between them prior to their police assignment, which filled the need for highly competent pilots who are police trained.

The two aerial observers, Officers John Rourke and Weston Bousman have 6 and 7 years police experience with the BPD, respectively. These officers were chosen because, in an effort to achieve the goal of combating crime through enhancing the apprehension/suppression capability of the Department, they qualified as aerial observers who are police oriented and experienced.

Members Can Feel Proud

However, every member of the Baltimore Police Department can feel justly proud of this pioneering step in modern law enforcement, since the BPD is only the second eastcoast department to use helicopters in its patrol effort.

An example of the effectiveness of helicopter patrol surfaced on Friday, January 15, 1971, when a Northwestern District patrol unit was assisted in the apprehension of a burglary suspect by information supplied by the hovering police craft. Using radio communications between the helicopter and the ground unit, the helicopter crew provided a very accurate and prompt description of the

suspect leading to his capture.

Effectiveness is the key word when discussing the helicopter. With a cruising speed of 0 to 127 MPH, maximum weight of 2,750 lbs. — fully loaded, and a capacity of 5 passengers (including the crew), an active imagination can visualize the use of a helicopter in pursuits, preventive patrol, immediate description broadcasts, co-ordinating ground unit response efforts, and other operational aspects.

Logistical Support

Currently, the helicopter receives logistical support from Friendship International Airport. The maximum flight time is 2-1/2 hours between refuelings which are accomplished by a return time of just 5 minutes to its fueling location. Rapid response is a most important capability of this new tool and the 3-1/2 minute response time in a recent time test from the Northwestern District to the Southeastern District is evidence of the response/flying quickness of our flying machine.

With an air intake device known as the "Snow Kit" the copter can be flown even in poor weather, however minimum weather requirements are three miles of visibility and a 1000 foot ceiling. While weather limits the ability to respond, once the "go - no go" decision is made, response time is basically unaffected.

Helicopter Use Evaluated

Since that October date, the Department has taken great care to evaluate helicopter use in this City. As a result of this evaluation two additional helicopters are on order. These smaller Hughes 300 C machines are scheduled for delivery in late March. They are three place (seat) helicopters with lights and P/A system, but no hoist; and are in the 1900 lb. class of aerial machines.

Funded through a Federal grant, the arrival of the two new helicopters will permit the Department to intensify aerial patrol of the City substantially and eventually to have a helicopter on alert status at all times with ranging degrees of response time. Current planning is to fly about 3200 hours per year for all aircraft combined.

Whatever the weather and whatever the time of day, the citizens of Baltimore will be assured of greater safety with the Department's helicopter(s) on patrol.

Problems Discussed By Police Officials

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Another topic was the activities of the Federal Strike Forces against organized crime. One such Strike Force is presently working in Baltimore. It was noted that their activities have expanded significantly since the formation of the President's National Council on Organized Crime, and members of the group also reported on successful examples where local law enforcement officers have participated directly in the Strike Forces.

The police representatives offered to provide closer cooperation by local authorities in the Strike Force activities, and urged the creation of additional strike forces.

The meeting also reviewed the current and projected financial funding of the criminal justice system through the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration and the recent legislative changes relating to LEAA.

A detailed discussion dealt with the operations of the Justice Department funded National Bomb Data Center which provides police officials with information on bombing attacks and procedures that can be utilized in investigating bombing attempts. The police representatives stressed the importance and value of this facility.

Western District Receives Special Cake

Members of Bon Secours Hospital recently presented the Western District with a gracious "Thank You." A group of officials had a special cake prepared which was offered as a token of appreciation for the patrol effort extended by the Western District in the vicinity of the hospital.

As one representative of the Western said, "this certainly renewed our enthusiasm in our services rendered to the community. We are proud of our District's efforts."

Blood Donation Helpful

In an effort to express her appreciation for a service rendered to her sister, Miss Dolores Barczak wrote:

"I wish to take this means to extend a simple, but sincere, 'thank you' to Major R. E. Norton, Lieutenant John G. Sauer, and Sergeant John C. Brown, all of the Communications Division, for the courteous and efficient manner in which they handled my request for blood donors and to Sergeant George J. Hall, Traffic Division, Lieutenant Andrew Furletti, Traffic Division, and Sergeant Thomas H. Black, Jr. Central Records Division, for their donation of the units of type AB Neg. blood needed prior to an operation scheduled for my sister, Mrs. Charlotte Dunaway, on December 15, 1970.

"Because of the urgency of the request and the excellent response by the donors (on their own time between the hours of 11 PM, Dec. 14th and 8 AM, Dec. 15th, the operation was performed on schedule and my sister once again may be able to walk.

"Again, my sincere thank you to these members of the Department."

Miss Dolores M. Barczak
Administrative Secretary
Services Bureau

Grooming Standards Set

A professional police department must often set standards of personal appearance and grooming for the good of the entire organization. A recent Police Commissioner's Memorandum discussed the issue of neatness for police officers in response to a Personnel Service Board request for guidelines.

Basically the guidelines are common sense. The sides and back of the hair should be neatly trimmed. Sideburns should not extend below the part of the ear which joins the head at its lowest point, and they should not be flaired at the base. In no case may hair exceed six inches in length at the top of the head. The bulk of hair must never interfere with the normal wearing of the uniform cap.

In addition, the Memorandum disallowed the wearing of goatees or beards. Neatly trimmed mustaches, however, are

permitted.

The Memorandum further stated that the personal appearance guidelines were subject to change in keeping with general community practices.

Post Christmas Party

The Community Relations Division continues to coordinate the energy and resources of volunteers of other Districts and Divisions in worthwhile programs. The most recent example of this coordination was a "post" Christmas party for the League of Crippled Children and Adults at 1111 E. Coldspring Lane on Saturday, January 16, 1971.

A "Job Well Done" is extended to Sgt. John Vogl, Officers Robert Franklin, Bingham Hunt, John Harbin, Robert Dean, William Braxton, Detective Edmund Helm, Cadet Kevin Harris, Policewomen Mercedes Rankin, Linda Levin and Mr. Gary Gordner of the Community Relations Division.

The same is extended to District Community Relations Sergeants Melvin Freeman, N.D.; William Clark, N.W.D.; Clarence Quinn, N.E.D.; and to Officer

Donald Rankin, Youth Division; Officer William Mustin, W.D. and Chief Clerk John E. Tabeling, E.D. Officer Mustin performed admirably as a magician and Chief Clerk Tabeling was the very funny clown

Prizes and food for the party were contributed by private organizations and the above Departmental participants who, assisted by their families, used private cars to transport the handicapped to and from the party.

Mrs. Molley Neil, President of the Indoor Sports Club of Baltimore City League for Crippled Children and Adults, was presented with a centerpiece of flowers at the conclusion of the show. Mrs. Neil showered praise on the adults responsible for the party and the outstanding manner in which the affair was conducted.

According to Sgt. John Vogl, at the conclusion of Mrs. Neil's remarks, "I looked around at the audience and I don't care how big a man you are, the tendency to become very emotional was felt strongly. I bowed by head to thank God that we were able to make so many people so very, very happy through our efforts."

Policeman Of The Month Named

Detective Sgt. George G. Shriner of the Baltimore Police Department's Criminal Investigation Division has been named Policeman of The Month by the Criminal Justice Commission.

Ceremonies at 4:00 o'clock Jan. 13th. were held in the Traffic Roll Call Room of Baltimore Police Headquarters. Commission president Philip Heller Sachs presented the citation for "alert, intelligent and courageous action" in connection with the apprehension of four armed holdup men.

On November 13, 1970, Sgt. Shriner was driving an unmarked police car in the Northwestern District. At approximately 3:45 p.m. the police radio dispatcher reported a robbery of the Master Lumber Company, 10000 Reisterstown Road, Baltimore County, by four men armed with a shotgun and hand guns. The robbers reportedly escaped in a vehicle described as a brown Dodge station wagon. Sgt. Shriner immediately proceeded to cruise and observe traffic

entering Baltimore City on major routes leading from the holdup location. He noticed four men riding in a 1959 Chevrolet and although this car did not match the description of the escape vehicle, his suspicions were aroused and he began a moving surveillance of this vehicle advising the police radio dispatcher of his location and requesting additional descriptive data.

The suspects unsuccessfully attempted to elude surveillance by increased speed and then drove into a department store parking lot. Sgt. Shriner then accosted the suspects and despite physical assault was able to maintain custody of two of the suspects. Using his radio he broadcast descriptions and the escape route of the two fleeing men who were apprehended shortly thereafter.

Detective Sgt. Shriner is 41 years old and is a 19 year veteran of the Baltimore Police Department. He has received several commendations for outstanding police work.

NEWS IN BRIEF

TRAFFIC DIVISION — Officer Laurence J. Grabowski, Traffic Division Point Control, formerly with the Traffic Investigation Section and the Northeastern District, retired on January 20, 1971, after 23 years service with the Department.

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION — The personnel of this Division extend sincere sympathy to Sergeant Michael J. Burnham, Senior Telephone Operator Mrs. Margaret Walsh and Emergency Call Clerk Charles Baxter on the recent loss of their loved ones.

Congratulations to Lieutenant and Mrs. Theodore Weintraub on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Ronald, on December 27, 1970 at the Liberty Jewish Center.

WESTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Officer Morris Allen and wife, Bernice, on the birth of a son, Maurice Levard, born January 5 and weighing in at 7 lbs. 5 oz.

Congratulations to Officer Joseph Collins and wife, Donna Marie, on the birth of a son, Paul Gabriel, born January 5 and weighing in at 7 lbs. 2 oz.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — The coveted red pin once held by the Homicide Unit, and proclaimed to stay with their bowling team consisting of Detectives Rose, Craig, Powell, Chlan and Brandner, was taken away from them by the Robbery Unit team of Detective Sergeant Shriner and Detectives Birney, Horn, Greaver and Thrush. "Sorry fellas we bring up the heavy stuff."

PERSONNEL DIVISION — Applicant Investigation Section — Major Lon F. Rowlett presented a Certificate to Patrolman William J. Kowalski on his retirement after twenty-five years of service. We wish "Pops" well and a long life of leisure.

We welcome Patrolman Edwin C. Carter, formerly of Internal Investigation Division, who is going to attempt to fill the shoes vacated by Patrolman Kowalski.

Welcome back to Patrolman Edward H. Campbell who was recently confined to the hospital for several weeks.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Patrolman John P. Boyter and wife,

Rosemary will soon welcome their son, L/CPL John P. Boyter, Jr., U.S. Marines after serving 12 months as a Radio Operator in the Communications Division. Patrolman and Mrs. Boyter expect their son sometime during the first week of February for a thirty day leave. This will be a double celebration as Mrs. Boyter will have a birthday to celebrate on January 28.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT

Congratulations to Officer Daniel Gunther and wife, Sabina on the birth of their son, Daniel, born December 29, 1970 and weighing in at 6 lbs. 9 oz.

Congratulations to Officer Joseph Gordon who was selected for Outstanding Policework by the Frankford Improvement Association. Officer Gordon was presented with a plaque commemorating the event. The officer received the plaque for his apprehension of two armed holdup men who had held up a service station.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT

Congratulations go out to Patrolman Charles E. Cash and Mary Ann Sears on their marriage which took place on December 6, 1970; to Patrolman James W. Schaekel and Diane Carol Rumble on their marriage which took place on November 21, 1970 — Our best to the newlyweds.

Congratulations to Officer Joseph Downey, who became a New Grandfather. A granddaughter, Dianna Marcella Baranowski was born December 19, 1970 and weighed in at 7 lbs. 5 oz. On December 16, 1970 at 7:00 P.M., the Northwest Basketball Team lost to Pikesville Senior High Coaches by a score of 53 to 42, but by the same token the sum of \$150.00 was raised for the purpose of purchasing equipment for the Gym at the Pikesville Senior High School.

Madeline Strickland and Catherine Hartman, our Custodial Workers, made it a very Merry Christmas for all who entered the Northwestern District on Christmas Eve. These ladies had set up a hospitality table which held such goodies as homemade cakes, cookies, pies and candy and pots and pots of good coffee. May we have many, many more just like it.

CENTRAL DISTRICT — Best wishes for a "Happy Retirement" to Patrolman Daniel T. Stetz, who after 18

years service with the Department retired effective December 2, 1970 and is now residing in Memphis, Tenn.

Final Roll Call

HARRIS, Patrolman Ernest R., passed away December 24, 1970. Officer Harris, assigned Western District, was a patient at Sinai Hospital at the time of his death.

TRAINOR, Retired Sergeant Charles, formerly of the Traffic Investigation Section, Traffic Division, passed away January 18, 1971.

In Memoriam

DePAOLA, VINCENT A., brother of Mrs. Margaret Collett, Clerk assigned Internal Investigation Division, Sergeant Joseph C. DePaola, assigned Western District, Sergeant Robert DePaola, assigned Criminal Investigation Division and Patrolman William DePaola, assigned Northwestern District, passed away December 27, 1970.

WHALEN, TROY, brother of Sergeant Thomas Whalen assigned Mounted Section, Traffic Division, passed away January 5, 1971.

GORCKI, EUGENIA H., sister of Detective Julius E. Sas, assigned Criminal Investigation Division, passed away January 11, 1971.

WALTERS, JOHN J., SR., father of Patrolman John J. Walters, Jr., assigned Northern District, passed away January 8, 1971.

JONES, BARBARA, mother of Detective Joseph Jones, assigned Criminal Investigation Division, passed away January 9, 1971.

WALSH, LARRY, son of Mrs. Margaret Walsh assigned Communications Division, Senior Telephone Operator, and the late Lieutenant Joseph L. Walsh and nephew of Mrs. Nancy Bradley, assigned Central Records Division, passed away January 10, 1971.

NEMEC, CHARLES J., father-in-law of Sergeant Charles J. Stefan, assigned Applicant Investigation Section, Personnel Division, passed away January 13, 1971.

The Department extends its deepest sympathy to the family and loved ones of those recently deceased.



BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Law Enforcement : The Multi-Faceted Profession

Forty-two new Baltimore Police Officers walked across the stage at the War Memorial last Friday to receive their certificates of graduation. Baltimore Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau was assisted in awarding the certificates by the Honorable William Donald Schaefer, President of the Baltimore City Council.

Mr. Schaefer addressed the graduates, their families and friends, welcoming the Officers to their new status in the City of Baltimore. In reviewing their weeks of training and then taking a look forward he said that, "in the future, there will be times when you will begin to wonder if you are really wanted, or needed at all. You may even wonder if it is worth it."

"Figure it this way — most of the people doctors see, in their daily work, are sick. And most of the persons teachers see, in their daily work, are children. That doesn't mean that most of the people in the world are sick or students. And in your case, most of the people you will deal with, in your daily work, are probably persons who disrespect the law in general, and you in particular. This does not mean, however, that the majority of the people in the City feel that way. In fact the opposite is true."

POLICE OFFICERS MULTI-TALENTED

The City Council President voiced recognition of the many sides of law enforcement work today. He told the graduates that "a policeman must be many things: He must be a judge; he must immediately recognize if the offender has committed a felony or a misdemeanor. He must be a psychiatrist; he should be able to recognize if a person is acting rationally. He must be a doctor to determine if the person is under the influence of drugs or liquor, or to deliver a baby if necessary, or to stop a person's bleeding or start him breathing again. He must be a lawyer; so he can present his case in court. He must be a counselor so he can advise and arbitrate between persons in petty squabbles. He must be a diplomat, and the goodwill ambassador for the city. Above all he must be an expert in Public Relations because he is constantly dealing with the public."

"No other profession," said Mr. Schaefer, "even those requiring a Ph D, requires as much versatility, from a man,

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"Policemen Of The Year" Honors

Two Baltimore Patrolmen have recently been honored by local citizen groups for outstanding police work during 1970. Officer Ronald Ford of the Tactical Section received the Sunpapers "Policeman of the Year" award at a luncheon held at the Lord Baltimore Hotel, Friday, January 29th. The affair was hosted by the Baltimore Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with the Sunpapers. In addition to receiving a silver plaque, Officer Ford was presented with a check for \$1,000 from the Sunpapers.



Mrs. Ford congratulates her Policeman of the Year.

A three year veteran, Patrolman Ford has been officially commended ten times for outstanding service and intelligent police work. His diligent efforts during 1970 resulted in the clearance by arrest of over two hundred offenses. Presently he is attending classes in Law Enforcement at the Catonsville Community College.

The selection board for the annual award is composed of representatives from the Sunpapers, Baltimore Chamber

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William Donald Schaefer, President of the City Council, addresses newest Graduating Class.



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Captain Hasson Retires

"Captain Hasson is indeed a credit to our Department. He has the knowledge and capabilities for handling any situation. His mannerism sets forth an example, one which I firmly believe others should follow."

MAJOR WILBUR C. MILLER
DEPUTY CHIEF OF PATROL, AREA II

Friday, February 19th will witness the retirement of one of the Depart-



Captain George W. Hasson

ment's most energetic personnel. Captain George W. Hasson, presently Commanding Officer of the Northern District, was appointed to the Department on February 23, 1950 and after twenty years of conscientious service with the force, will accept his retirement under the Fire and Police Service pension system.

Captain Hasson is an example of the membership of a police department devoted to providing service to the community. A community in which the Captain was born, received his formal education, was married, and began his occupational climb. Born in Baltimore in 1921, Captain Hasson attended the public schools and graduated from Baltimore City College High School.

Following his Police Academy Training, he was assigned to the Northwest District. Then in December of 1955 he transferred to the Detective Bureau until his promotion to Sergeant on February 2, 1956, when he was assigned to the Southern District.

It was just three and a half years until his promotion to Lieutenant on August 31, 1956, and his assignment to the Southwest District.

On May 19, 1966, the then Lieutenant Hasson was designated to head the Department's new Inspectional Services Division. He worked as the leader of this staff arm to the Police Commissioner until September 7, 1967, when he was promoted to the rank of Captain and given the command of the Northern District.

During his career with the Department, Captain Hasson has earned over thirty commendations, including many commendatory letters from leaders in the community expressing their appreciation of the work directly or indirectly accomplished by him.

After his retirement, Captain Hasson will have the opportunity to pursue his favorite sport of fishing and his hobby of Civil War studies even more deeply. Of course, this energetic man will continue his membership at the Boumi Temple Shrine and other social activities with his wife, Etta May Hasson. And upon review of his credentials, Captain Hasson is certain to be approached with attractive offers by agencies seeking the services of a man with his experience and background. The "Best of Luck" is extended to him in his retirement.

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as does being a police officer."

Recognizes Needs

The City Council President told the graduates and their families that he recognizes the need for upgrading policemen's education, salaries and benefits. In addition he pointed out the need for respect, both for the law and the law enforcement officer. To that end, Mr. Schaefer said that in his opinion the pendulum always swings back and forth throughout history from one extreme to another. He said: *"We have been at a low ebb in esteem for the law. From this we are emerging. The pendulum is swinging the other way."*

Certificates to forty-two

Following the City Council President's remarks the graduating Police Officers received their certificates. The Director of the Education and Training Division, Major Norman Pomrenke, observed that 10 members of the class maintained an average of 90% or better during the 14-week course. These men received special recognition for their academic accomplishment.

A number of civilian awards were also made during the ceremonies. Nine men and women received recognition of their valuable assistance to the Department and to all the citizens of Baltimore for acts which helped police apprehend criminals.

Thirty-one Chairmen

In recognition of their important input both to the community and to the Department, Commissioner Pomerleau presented special certificates of appreciation to the 30 past chairmen of the District Community Relations Councils. In addition a certificate was given to Dr. Jacob H. Cunningham, Consultant to the Police Community Relations Coordinating Council.

District Community Relations Councils have been very active in almost all neighborhoods throughout the City. Men and women have been giving of their valuable time so that police-community relations activities could be both progressive and fruitful.

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of Commerce and a local law enforcement agency.

This evening, the Exchange Club of Highlandtown will hold a dinner honoring Patrolman Gregory Holevas of the Southeastern District as "Policeman of the Year." The affair will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall and will include United States Senator J. Glenn Beall as the guest speaker. In conjunction with the award, Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro on January 26th proclaimed this week Crime Prevention Week.

Officer Holevas is a five year veteran of the Department, who has received three official commendations. His efforts during 1970 resulted in over one hundred and fifty arrests for numerous offenses, a figure that represents Officer Holevas' dedication and skill.

The Department extends its sincere congratulations to both young men.

Professional Post Scripts

The following letter was received from Captain S. I. Kaplow, Chief of Executive Security, Annapolis, Maryland, expressing appreciation to the members of this department for the assistance rendered at the Inauguration of Governor Mandel on January 20, 1971:

"I want to thank you for the assistance rendered by members of your department at the Inauguration of Governor Mandel yesterday. All personnel of the Baltimore City Police Department conducted themselves in a manner that reflects great credit on your department."

"On January 19, 1971, we had to make a sudden telephone request to Colonel Frank J. Battaglia to assist our bomb detail on a security assignment on the main floor of the State House. Policewoman Lorraine Dorsey, CID, was assigned and she did an excellent job. Please extend our appreciation to her."

"I assure you of our desire to be helpful in all matters of mutual interest."

An Ounce Of Prevention



A PROPER PARKING PICTURE

In an effort to reduce the number of Departmental accidents the emphasis is being placed on prevention. One way, it was found, to reduce the number of accidents of a particular type, was to improve driver vision.

Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau has instructed all Division heads to be certain that when police vehicles are parked on lots they are parked with the back end in. This way when a member of the Department has to leave the parking lot in a hurry he will already be pointing in the right direction without needing to back up and turn around.

A check of Departmental accident reports reveals that in many cases, where a vehicle is backed out of a parking place it collides with fixed objects, poles and the like. The most simple explanation apparently, is that the driver, in a hurry, didn't have enough field of vision to spot the object which he hit.

It is hoped that by backing in, when there isn't so much time pressure, officers will be able to unpark and get on their way with a minimum loss of time, and a sizable increase in ability to negotiate their way out of the parking lot without coming to an unscheduled stop against or around a fixed object or another vehicle.

Board Reviews Candidates

An Oral Interview Board for 41 Sergeant Candidates who are eligible for promotion to the rank of Lieutenant was conducted from February 1 through February 5, 1971.

The Board was comprised of Captain Robert W. Klotz, Washington, D.C., Patrol Division; Captain Thomas F. Gleason, Philadelphia, Pa., Community Relations Division; Captain Terrence T. Doherty, Chicago, Illinois, Youth Division.

The results of these interviews will determine the final position of the 41 candidates on the new promotion list. This new list will take effect on March 13, 1971.

The Department extends its appreciation to these Police officials and their respective departments for a "job well done" in the service they rendered during the past week.

RETIREMENT CERTIFICATE PRESENTED



Patrolman Joseph Huffman receives his retirement certificate from (left) Lt. Joseph De Carlo, Personnel Division and Major George C. Schnabel; Deputy Chief of Area I. Officer Huffman was blinded in the line of duty in 1968, and recently qualified for a disability retirement under an expanded Municipal Retirement System.

NEWS IN BRIEF

EASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Officer Robert L. Brown and the former Miss Linda Ann Markel on their marriage which took place on January 16, 1971.

The members of this District wish a speedy recovery to Officer Anthony Filipiak, formerly of our District, who was recently released from Franklin Square General Hospital.

Congratulations to Officer John Buscemi and his wife, Dorothy Ann on the birth of their first son, Joseph Carmelo, born January 26, 1971 and weighing in at 8 lbs. 5 oz.

Congratulations to Officer Harold Ferguson and his wife, Nancy on the birth of their daughter, Jennifer Leigh, born January 20, 1971 and weighing in at 8 lbs. 5 oz.

The Personnel of the Eastern District send best wishes to Sergeant Edmund L. Welsh, who after 24 years of service, retired on January 12, 1971. The Sergeant was presented an engraved wrist watch. Then, on January 20, 1971, a stag "surprise" party, was held at Bud's Cafe, 3919 E. Lombard Street. With his two sons present, the Sergeant was given a traveling kit for his retirement enjoyment.

PLANNING & RESEARCH DIVISION — Members of this Division extend "Best Wishes for a Happy Retirement" to Patrolman Irvin Crockett, who after 15 years' service with the Department retired on January 20, 1971. "Dave", we wish you the best.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Personnel of the Northeastern District extend sincere sympathy to Sergeant Raymond Emala on the recent loss of his father and to Officer Bruce Carlin on the recent loss of his father.

Congratulations to Patrolman Bob Raymond and his wife, Elsie who recently became the proud parents of a set of twin boys, Matthew and Brian.

PERSONNEL DIVISION — MEDICAL SECTION — Welcome back to Officer Thomas Webster who recently returned from Florida after a hectic three day stay.

In Memoriam

ROUT, CHARLES R., father of Patrolman Charles Rout, Western District, passed away January 21, 1971.

CARLIN, ARTHUR T., JR., father of Patrolman Bruce Carlin, Northeastern District, passed away January 21, 1971.

WITROWSKI, WALTER J., father-in-law of Sergeant Alvin Ross, Property Crimes Section, Criminal Investigation Division, passed away January 2, 1971.

EMALA, FREDERICK V., father of Sergeant Raymond Emala, Northeastern District, passed away January 22, 1971.

STRICKLAND, CHARLES, husband of School Crossing Guard Annie Strickland, Northeastern District, passed away January 24, 1971.

BYRUM, ROYAL J., step-father of Patrolman Roland Marshall, Western District, passed away January 28, 1971.

JOHNSON, FLOYD, father of Patrolman Charles H. Johnson, Crime Laboratory Division, passed away January 29, 1971.

MORAWSKI, SOPHIA, mother of Patrolman John Morawski, Eastern District, passed away January 29, 1971.

OSTER, MARGARET, wife of the late retired Lieutenant Stanley L. Oster, passed away January 29, 1971.

JOHNSON, RENA, mother of Patrolman Nathaniel Johnson, Western District, passed away January 29, 1971.

SHANAHAN, BARBARA, mother of Patrolman Edward Shanahan, Southwestern District, passed away January 31, 1971.

OWENS, GEORGE T., father of Sergeant Walter G. Owens, Central District, and uncle of Patrolman Ralph G. Matthews, Central District and Wilmer S. Matthews, Southeastern District, passed away February 2, 1971.

The Department extends its deepest sympathy to the family and loved ones of those recently deceased.

VETERAN POLICE REPORTER DIES

Frederick Julius Kreller, a reporter for the Evening Sun for nearly 35 years, passed away January 31 at City Hospitals.

Mr. Kreller, known to many members of the Department as Fritz, had been in poor health for several years and had been hospitalized several times. He last worked at Police Headquarters in August of 1970.

Mr. Kreller began his career with the Evening Sun in 1928. In addition to covering the Baltimore Police Department, he covered a number of beats, including Baltimore County police courts, general assignment and rewrite.

Members of the Baltimore Police Department knew Fritz as an experienced newspaperman who would dig for his story but who would be careful to get at all the facts available.

Mr. Kreller was born February 26, 1915 in Baltimore.

He is survived by his wife, the former Elizabeth Joan Figinski, whom he married in 1939; a daughter, Mrs. Mary Arburster and a son, Frederick Raymond Kreller, and two grandchildren, all of Baltimore.

Public Service Opportunity

The Office of Public Safety, Agency of International Development, Department of State, has U. S. technical advisors assisting the government of South Vietnam in all aspects of police management, operations and training.

The Agency needs dedicated men with solid backgrounds in law enforcement and five or more years of experience at command level who are willing to serve in Vietnam, a large portion of their time separated from their families.

The Agency is interested in contacting law enforcement professionals who are retiring or contemplating retirement.

Additional information can be obtained from:

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RETIREMENT MARKS END OF ERA

For over thirty years Wade Poole has exemplified both the proficient Police Officer and the gentleman. His retirement, effective March 25, saddens all who have known and worked with him. For the Baltimore Police Department it marks the end of an era. Every high point of his career, from Patrolman to Deputy Commissioner, deserves mention. Unfortunately, the following article can touch upon only a few.

Prepared by Police Agent John F. Reintzell, Jr., Public Information Division

A commendatory letter, dated 16 May 1944, was unqualified in its praise of the young Patrolman. It read in part, *"The entire action, beginning with your observation . . . after you had been relieved from duty at night and proceeding home in your automobile, evidenced alertness; circling the block so as not to be observed by the person under suspicion was good policemenmanship; entering the alley and effecting the arrest while the holdup was taking place was courageous, and you are assured that work of this kind will be made a matter of record."*

The key words were alertness, courageous and Policemenmanship, then as now, invaluable assets. To the young Patrolman, Wade H. Poole, those words represented the epitome of public service and self-sacrifice. Upon those words and their meaning he was to build a career. *"Work of this kind"*, as Police Commissioner Hamilton Atkinson had phrased it, was indeed to be made a matter of record. Nearly twenty-seven years after the commendation was filed, scores of similar reports had become permanent testimony to the remarkable accomplishments of Deputy Commissioner Wade H. Poole, Baltimore Police Department.

Wade Poole's decision to enter law enforcement was a logical one. *"Even as a child,"* he remembers, *"I always respected the law."*

He joined the Department on June 27, 1940 and barely two weeks later distinguished himself by chasing and ap-

prehending a purse snatcher despite being seriously wounded. His first arrest underscored a fundamental characteristic that greatly enhanced his value as a Police Officer: tenacity. Wade Poole's own comment was typical, *"I knew that if I could keep him in sight, he would wear out before I did."*



Deputy Commissioner Wade H. Poole

But early applications of good policemenmanship assessed much more in terms of personal worth. By working the same foot post for nearly eight years, Wade Poole learned to be thorough, especially in his relationship with residents of the neighborhood. He learned to measure a man, not by appearances, but by actions. Most importantly, he learned that prejudice is a self-taught discipline that has no place in competent police work. *"Until proven other-wise,"* goes the old

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"The Ultimate Victim"

"While subscribing wholeheartedly to the humanitarian principles of parole, probation, and related leniency, I suggest the possibility that you might be the next victim of someone's misguided and overindulgent leniency—their fatal mistake perhaps, but with you as the ultimate victim." That thought, from the Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation appeared in the January, 1971 issue of the F.B.I. Law Enforcement Bulletin heading a story entitled *"The Ultimate Victim."* Portions of that article are included below for the information of Departmental personnel.

"In today's society, one of the most privileged of creatures is the unrehabilitated, repeating offender, prematurely released time and again, free to abuse parole, probation, and bail privileges while wreaking havoc upon law abiding citizens."

"After a recent gun battle, one suspect was arrested for two murders, a kidnapping, and the gunpoint robbery of his own mother. Citizens learned in disbelief that he had been freed from a mental hospital just a few months before after six court-appointed psychiatrists had testified he had regained his sanity. In 1967 he had been found insane after the strangulation murder of a woman whose body was found with candles burning at her feet and head, with a Bible on her chest, while the man in question sat in a nearby chair strumming a guitar."

"This is the kind of example that cries out for greater and more responsible safeguards in the handling of the severely emotionally disturbed so they are not

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Command Realignment

Two interim appointments have been announced by Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau as the result of the retirement of Deputy Commissioner Wade H. Poole.

Lieutenant Colonel Frank J. Battaglia, presently Chief of Patrol, will be elevated to the position of Deputy Commissioner of the Operations Bureau. A twenty-seven year veteran of the Baltimore Police Department, Colonel Battaglia has served in the position of Chief of the Patrol Division for more than four years.

Moving into Colonel Battaglia's chair will be Major Donald T. Shanahan. He'll be the interim Chief of the Patrol Division and at the same time will continue to be responsible for Patrol Area III.

Deputy Commissioner Poole's active service ends today but he'll be on leave for approximately one month, until March 25. After Deputy Poole's retirement becomes effective the interim appointments, announced by Commissioner Pomerleau, will be finalized.

The retirement of Captain George Hasson, from the Northern District, has led to a command change there. Commissioner Pomerleau has shifted Captain Robert L. Larkin from the Southeastern District to the Northern.

The Commissioner has not yet announced replacements in the Captain's chairs at either the Southeastern District, or the Southwestern where Captain James S. M. DiPino's retirement has left a vacancy.

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in a position to do harm to themselves or others.

"A young midwestern criminal who confessed beating to death a 75-year old woman in a \$5.00 street robbery was granted a 7-to-10 year term. Offered as an excuse of the light sentence was the advanced age of the victim, on the fanciful theory that, if the murdered woman had been younger, she might not have died from the brutal assault."

"The disgusting abuse of bail bonds is another festering social ill crying for a cure, as was highlighted in November, 1969 in the brutal ambush killing of a southwestern police officer as he surprised a chronic criminal offender at a burglary scene. The officer's slayer, who had compiled a 14-year criminal record which had once featured a 99-year prison term, was at the time free on \$10,000 bond on criminal charges placed against him just 2 months before."

"As bitter experience has shown, warnings presented before courts of possible habitual criminal tendencies are often ignored or completely disregarded. In one midwestern city, for example, one off-duty police officer was shot and killed and another seriously wounded in a gun battle with a suspected shoplifter. The gunman was later found to have been arrested 32 times previously and had been released on bond twice during the preceding month—one offense involving an armed robbery in which he had also reportedly shot it out with police."

"Whether it is your personal safety that is jeopardized, your tax dollars that are being diverted to fighting the crime blight, or the gnawing fear that robs you of the right of walking your neighborhood street in safety, you are a direct victim of this terror."

"Common sense alone demands a realistic approach to this crisis of our time. Unbiased consideration must be given to the time-proved crime deterrents of swift detection, prompt prosecution, and realistic sentencing."

"While subscribing wholeheartedly to the humanitarian principles of parole, probation, and related leniency, I suggest the possibility that YOU might be the next victim of someone's misguided and overindulgent leniency—THEIR fatal mistake perhaps, but with YOU as the ultimate victim."

Captain DiPino Retires

Captain James S. M. DiPino retired as Commander of the Southwestern District on Thursday, February 18, after twenty-eight years service with the Department.

The fifty-nine year old Captain entered the Baltimore Police Department on August 17, 1942 and was originally assigned to the Eastern District. After promotion to Sergeant in November, 1952 he was transferred to the Southwestern, remaining there for the next ten years until promotion and subsequent reassignment to the Northern District. He assumed his present command on February 1, 1963 upon promotion to the rank of Captain.



Captain James S. M. DiPino

During his career Captain DiPino received twelve official commendations in addition to over forty commendatory letters. He has served on the Meritorious Conduct Board and has attended various administrative courses and seminars conducted by the International Association of Chiefs of Police and the Northwestern University.

He leaves behind him a son, Sergeant Charles DiPino who is presently assigned to the Eastern District.

Captain DiPino's plans for the near future generally center around taking life easy "for awhile" and enjoying a well deserved rest. The sincere best wishes of the Department are with him in his retirement.

END OF AN ERA

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maxim, "everyone deserves respect." It became the basis for all of Wade Poole's actions, and much of his success.

At the same time, competent police work became his strong point. One of his most productive criminal cases grew out of a basic application of observation and alertness. While making the rounds of local pawnshops, his attention was drawn to a young man attempting to pawn a small, golden pocket watch. "Even though he was well dressed," Deputy Poole recalls, "something just didn't seem to fit."

An identification check though productive, still left him unconvinced. To make absolutely certain that the watch was in the possession of its rightful owner, Wade Poole accompanied the young man to the Station House.

There the man was quickly identified as a "cat burglar," recently released from Sing Sing Prison, who had taken up his trade in the wealthier sections of Baltimore. A search of his apartment netted over \$250,000 in stolen jewelry which he had amassed by burglarizing homes while the owners attended Sunday morning church services. An instinctive doubt on the part of young Officer Poole had resulted in a major arrest.

Good Policemanship also resulted in the issuance of the 1944 Commendatory letter. While returning home, after the 4-12 shift, Deputy Poole had noticed a soldier being followed by another man. As he passed them in his car, he saw the victim begin to raise his hands in a gesture of submission. Circling the block once, he returned to find that both men had disappeared. The alley next to which they had stood was poorly illuminated its block length, though street lamps lighted both ends.

Experience on that particular post aided Wade Poole. He realized that there was only one place where two men could stand in the alley without being seen: a loading dock, recessed from the wall, about midway between the two streets. Flashlight in hand, he exited his vehicle and entered the alley. "The first thing I saw, the man was pulling

the soldier's watch off at gunpoint. Of all times, that was when my flashlight burned out."

Deputy Poole overcome weak batteries to effect the arrest. The suspect turned out to be a twice-escaped convict who had shot two Policemen in Cleveland, and who had taken several hostages during his flight across three states. He was sentenced to ninety-nine years, largely because an off-duty Officer had taken the time while returning home, to investigate a suspicious occurrence.

After eight years spent primarily in the Western District, Wade Poole was promoted to Sergeant in July, 1948, and transferred to the Eastern District. In his own mind, his first promotion was the biggest change he ever underwent during his career. For the first time he was part of the Department's management. The promotion changed many of his attitudes, and he began to evolve into an able administrator. It was not an evolution that would interfere with his diligent law enforcement, however. Deputy Poole, was to win more commendations as a Supervisor than as Patrolman—twenty-four in all, making him one of the Department's most decorated veterans.

As a recently promoted Lieutenant in November, 1952, Deputy Poole was assigned to the Northwestern District until his promotion to Captain in August, 1959. For the next six years he commanded the new Western District. Upon transfer to his last district-level command, Deputy Poole was honored at a testimonial dinner by over nine hundred West Baltimore residents and civic leaders, attesting to his success both as a crime fighter and as an administrator.

During the period of extensive Departmental reorganization, Wade Poole was appointed as the Deputy Chief of Patrol, Area I in July, 1966. By March of the following year he was elevated to Chief of Traffic, followed, two months later, by promotion to the level of Deputy Commissioner, Operations Bureau. In that position he has commanded the Youth, Traffic, Patrol and Criminal Investigation Divisions, the Department's prime crime-fighting components.

As a Deputy Commissioner, it was Wade Poole's responsibility to help sub-

stitute professionalism for Policemanship during the reorganization process; to retain the best elements of existing practices and to assist in discarding the outmoded and ineffective. Above all, Deputy Commissioner Wade Poole was charged with rendering the Police Commissioner's enforcement policies into practice.

Reflecting on a career that has bridged more than three decades, Deputy Poole considers the biggest strides to have been made in educational levels. "There is a much greater emphasis on education than ever before. But law enforcement is a much more challenging profession today, and every day it grows more difficult." He voices no regrets about a life dedicated to the enforcement of the law. "If I had it to do over again, I'd do it exactly the same."

Retirement holds the prospect of a well deserved rest and more time to enjoy his three grandchildren. He leaves behind him an unparalleled record of achievement and success, the imprint of an exemplary career spent in public service. It is a record that commands great respect, but that is typical of the man. Wade Poole, as a Police Officer, as a Deputy Commissioner, and as a man, will always command and deserve great respect.

Dispatcher Retires



Dispatcher #4 is 10-7 — After 24 years of service the well-known voice of Officer Charles W. Carter has left the dispatching scene. "Charlie" and his familiar "10-FWAAR" retired on February 4th from the Communications Division. A ceremony was held in his honor by Major Robert F. Norton, other supervisors and other co-workers at which time Charlie was presented with a very nice watch and his retired badge.

NEWS IN BRIEF

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — CHECK SQUAD — Detective Lawrence C. Clark and wife Lucy became the proud parents of a son, Lawrence, Jr., born February 12, and weighing in at 5 lbs. 15 oz.

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION — Congratulations to Sergeant Glenn Egbert who won another First Place Award by dead lifting 430 lbs. on February 10, at Roosevelt Park Recreation Centre in the Adult Weight Lifting contest.

A speedy recovery is wished for Mrs. Concetta Norton, wife of Major Robert E. Norton, following recent surgery at Mercy Hospital.

FISCAL AFFAIRS DIVISION — Mrs. Jean L. Rice is recuperating at her home from recent surgery at Bon Secours Hospital. Hurry back Jean, we miss you!

On Saturday, February 6, Miss Barbara Bailey of this Division became the bride of Patrolman Stephen Ullah of the Northwestern District. Best of everything to Barbara and Steve.

WESTERN DISTRICT — Patrolman Charles Brawner and wife, Shirley became the proud parents of a daughter, Melissa Jo, born January 25, weighing in at 10 lbs.

Retired Sergeant Joseph G. Schraml, who is a patient at Broward County General Hospital, Fort Lauderdale, Florida would like to hear from some of his former buddies—address all mail to him at 4906 N.W. 45 Terrace, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33313.

PERSONNEL DIVISION — RECRUITMENT SECTION — Patrolman Charles Markiewicz and wife, Marion, became the proud parents of a son, Craig Andrew, born February 9, and weighing in at 9 lbs. 13 oz.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS DIVISION — Hat Off to recently retired Captains George W. Hasson and James S. M. DiPino and to Sergeant Clarence Quin who recently visited the Officer Friendlys, in the schools in their districts, with Sergeant John Vogl. They were impressed with the way these Officers made their presentation to the child-

ren in the classrooms. Why not call our office so we can give you the Officer Friendly schedule? You will see for yourself the outstanding job these men are doing for your children, grandchildren or your neighbors' children in the schools.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT — The entire personnel of the Southeastern District extend their best wishes for success to Captain Robert L. Larkin on his new assignment at the Northern District. Our association with Captain Larkin has been not only enjoyable and pleasant but has been gratifying as well. Our loss is the Northern District's gain—Good Luck Captain Larkin!

Debra Schmitt, daughter of Lieutenant John Schmitt has won a scholarship to Loyola College. Congratulations Debra, keep up the good work.

Congratulations are extended to Patrolman Kenneth Streets on his marriage to Carol Ann Cline on February 6. The couple are now residing on Amberwood Road.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT — On February 18, our Captain James S. M. DiPino retired, after being with the Department since August 17, 1942. Captain DiPino addressed all roll calls in order to express his appreciation to his men for their cooperation since he has been assigned to this District. Captain DiPino was presented with an RCA portable color T.V. from his entire district. Most everyone is aware that the Department would have to look far and wide to find a man with so much compassion for his fellowman. We feel that Captain DiPino is a real gentleman and we wish him health, happiness and full enjoyment of his leisure time. This he richly deserves.

Retirement ceremonies were conducted on February 16 for Patrolman Joseph Wondolowski—"Joe" was appointed August 30, 1948. He was presented with an electric wristwatch from his friends. We will all miss you, Joe.

Patrolman and Mrs. Layton Irvin became the proud parents of a son, Lawrence Preston. The baby weighed in at 7 lbs. 7 oz.

Welcome Aboard to Sergeant Ambrose Januchowski from Central Dis-

trict. We bid a fond farewell to Sergeant Emory Starry who will now grace the Planning and Research Division. (You will be out of sight, but not out of mind, Sergeant).

EASTERN DISTRICT — Patrolman Justus Long of this District retired on February 18 after more than 23 years of service. He was appointed on July 8, 1947; his service has been in the old Northeastern and the Eastern Districts. He is married to Margaret Long of Planning and Research Division. They have one son who is presently in the Army, serving in Germany. A buffet luncheon, held on February 17, was attended by his lovely wife, Marge and a multitude of friends, both active and retired, from the Eastern and various other Units. Officer Long was presented with a Gold wrist watch, properly inscribed, at the 3:30 P.M. Roll Call. All wish him good luck and a pleasant retirement, which he has earned.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Patrolman Frederick Archer and his wife, Helen, became the proud parents of a daughter, Sue Ann, born February 11, and weighing in at 6 lbs. 3 oz.

PROPERTY DIVISION — Welcome back to Sergeant George W. Hocheder who has recently recovered from a very serious operation.

Final Roll Call

LELAND, EDWARD R., retired Sergeant from the Police Academy, December 23, 1970.

In Memoriam

DAVIS, JOHN and RUBY, parents of Patrolman Marshall Davis, Central District, February 4.

WADE, EARL L., brother of Patrolman William Wade, Foot Traffic, February 5.

NUGENT, MRS. MARY BERNADETTE wife of Patrolman Francis X. Nugent, Tactical Section, February 5.

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Interns Gain Practical Experience

For the past two months three Juniors from Pennsylvania State University have been "going to school" at the Baltimore Police Department. As part of its Law Enforcement and Corrections program the College of Human Development at Penn State sends students out for three semesters of practical experience. The first 9-week period is spent with a law enforcement agency, followed by terms with a Correctional System and a Probation and Parole Agency.

The students were assigned, at their request, to the Baltimore Police Department. Their orientation has been carried out under the auspices of the Education and Training Division. They have, by their own account, been given a complete picture of Law Enforcement in Baltimore, and what it takes to provide the law enforcement services the citizens of Baltimore require.

Nancy Ellison of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, Marna Ayers of Scranton, Pennsylvania, and David McClevish of Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania arrived in Baltimore with two years of training in the classroom, and apparently not too many pre-conceptions about law enforcement. All have several years of theories packed away and an enthusiasm for learning special to young people who are properly motivated.

The purpose of the program is to give these students a first-hand look at Law Enforcement, from the inside. By spending time in the District Stations, and within the various Headquarters Divisions it is hoped that the student interns will be able to better relate what they've learned in the classroom to practical situations.

The University made arrangements with the Department for the three stu-

dent interns. They arrived and were immediately taken to the Education and Training Division where the staff began what must have been one of the most intensive briefings ever given to college students.

They were taken around the city, shown various Police Department installations, and facilities and then one by one, the students were taken through the Department so that they could see first-hand what goes on and, perhaps, learn why.



Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau greets Interns from Penn State.

Miss Ellison said that before she arrived in Baltimore she knew how a police department was supposed to operate, at least in theory. But she said she had no idea of what it actually took to provide the necessary services to the community. "Planning and Research, Central Records, Communications and the like were just words," she said. "Now, I see what it all means and why these various services are necessary."

Miss Ayers reflected an opinion, apparently held by the other students as well, that the program works well, "especially since we were assigned to the Education and Training Division."

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ANOTHER VICTIM

In the last edition of the NEWSLETTER an article appeared entitled "The Ultimate Victim." That article contained excerpts from a longer story written by F.B.I. Director J. Edgar Hoover, and detailed accounts of criminals with long histories committing serious crimes while out on bail, or after being paroled from sentences subsequent to conviction of a serious crime. The point made in that article is particularly poignant for Officer Donald Kelly of the Central District.

Officer Kelly's uncle, 29 year old Daniel Ellis, a 6 year veteran of the Detroit Police Department died in the line of duty on February 3, 1971.

Officer Kelly related the details this way: On February 3, Daniel Ellis and his side-partner, Danny Parrish, a young officer with less than one year of service, answered a call for an "alarm sounding" at a food distributing establishment in Detroit's downtown area.

When the officers arrived at the scene they were confronted by a man with a pistol standing in front of a woman and her small child. As the suspect, 51 year old William Green, raised his weapon to fire at the Officers, Ellis pushed his young partner down a flight of stairs, thereby saving his life, and he took four shots from the assailant's .45 caliber weapon. Officer Ellis died, unable to defend himself because of the two civilians who would have been in his line of fire. He left a wife and two children of his own and at the same time was responsible for saving three lives at the scene of the shooting.

Suspect Green turned out to be a known criminal with a record of 14 prior convictions. Other Detroit police officers took two guns from the man just outside the food distributing estab-

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The Interns

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She said she felt that "the instructors there knew the kinds of information we needed and how to get that information across."

Is an Intern Program valuable? The students think so. When they were halfway through their program here they returned to their school for a one day seminar. And after hearing fellow students who had visited other jurisdictions they had their satisfaction with their experience in Baltimore underlined. They found that in many cities the nine weeks were being spent in offices reading reports. Students apparently were not getting much of a chance to participate. In Baltimore, on the other hand, the interns were being told that "what, how and why" of Departmental functions. They were given the opportunity to ride in a Departmental vehicle with a duty officer, for example. In addition the students rode in the Department's new helicopter, visited the K-9 training program and saw many other things not usually seen by college students.

Asked what impressed them most their answers were the same: training. And since all three must be naturally training-oriented, being college students, this answer is interesting. But they agreed that Baltimore Police Officers appear to be well trained and as a result, they said, the police officers are highly competent. The interns said that every officer with whom they came into

contact imparted a sincere expression of consideration for the citizens of Baltimore.

The Penn State interns will be returning to the college campus soon. They'll leave behind days of watching, and participating in the activities of this Department. And what they'll take with them will be an understanding of the Baltimore Police Department, the Police Officer and what enforcement of the law actually entails.

Two of the students, before arriving here, thought that their main career interest might lie in either Corrections or Parole and Probation. Now they're not so sure that Law Enforcement wouldn't be a more rewarding choice. In any case they feel that they'll be better professionals, because of their practical experience in Baltimore.

Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau met the students in his office recently. One of the things they told him was that because they had spent such an extended period of time with the Department they now feel a part of it. They told the Commissioner that upon returning to the University recently they found themselves comparing "our" Department with the several others being discussed.

Commissioner Pomerleau told the students he was pleased that they could spend so much time here, to have the opportunity to learn about law enforcement and what must exist in order to have a truly professional law enforcement organization.

VICTIM

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ishment moments after the fatal shots were fired.

The defendant, now charged with the murder of the police officer, was free on bail pending trial on a concealed weapons charge at the time of the shooting. That trial wasn't scheduled until July of this year. In addition, it was learned that Green had served 5 years of a 20 year sentence on a murder conviction prior to the weapons charge.

In this case the victim was a law enforcement officer, sworn to do exactly what cost him his life, to protect citizens of the community, some of whom were clearly earmarked to join the ranks of "The Ultimate Victim."

Annapolis Banquet

Reservations are now being accepted for a special evening at Manresa-on-Severn in Annapolis. On Wednesday May 12, 1971 retired Inspector A. K. Gribbin will be honored as the Manresa Man of 1971.

On that date a Mass will be conducted in the Manresa Chapel at 6:00 P.M., led by Inspector Gribbin's son, the Reverend Raymond Gribbin, Pastor of St. Joseph's Church of Fullerton, Md. Cocktails will follow in the main Foyer and dinner will be served at 7:30 P.M.

Friends and family of Inspector Gribbin are invited to this special banquet. Reservations and information can be obtained by either writing: Manresa-on-Severn, Annapolis, Maryland or calling 974-0740.

Promotional Examinations

Promotional Competitive Examinations for the positions of Captain and Sergeant-Policewoman will be held Friday, April 2, 1971 at the Civic Center. Applications should be filed with the Director of the Personnel Division, Room 405 in the Headquarters Building prior to Friday, March 12, 1971.

Tests for Captain are limited to all qualified members of the Department who have held the rank of Lieutenant for at least one year as of January 1, 1971.

Tests for the position of Sergeant-Policewoman are limited to those qualified Policewomen who have completed at least three years of service on January 1, 1971.

Candidates must achieve the passing score on the written examination to be established by the Civil Service Commission in order to be admitted to the Oral Interview. The Oral Interview Board, under the direction of Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, will be conducted for the top twenty-five candidates for Captain, and ten for Sergeant-Policewoman. Additional candidates in excess of the cut-off number who achieve the same identical score as the 25th or 10th candidate, respectively, also will be eligible for examination by the Oral Interview Board.

Professional Post Scripts

Dear Sir:

This will confirm your recent conversation with Mr. Edward L. Rubin regarding the improvement in crime incidents in our public housing projects.

Our records indicate that there was only one holdup during fiscal year July 1, 1969 to June 30, 1970 and that was at Murphy Homes in which \$222.20 was taken. The prior fiscal year we had three holdups which involved \$1,192.44. Following the holdup at Murphy Homes on September 3, 1969, the wrongdoer was later apprehended.

There was also a substantial improvement in losses due to break-ins. Last year, our total loss due to break-ins amounted to \$3,363.21, \$2,312.05 in equipment and \$1,051.16 in damage. This year, our total loss for equipment and damage was \$1,681.56.

We wish to thank the Police Department for its efforts on our behalf.

Sincerely yours,
/s/ R. C. Embry, Jr.
Commissioner
Department of Housing and
Community Development

A TESTIMONIAL FIRST

The Police Community Relations Council of the Western District is sponsoring its first Testimonial Banquet on Sunday, March 28, 1971 at Martin's West, located at 6817 Dogwood Road.

Western District Commander Captain Dennis P. Mello said: "The affair is being held to honor some of the outstanding members of the Western District Police Community Relations Council, past and present, who over the years have given so much of themselves to both the Council and the cause of Police Community Relations."

The affair is scheduled to begin at 7:30 P.M., admission price is \$7.50 per person. For additional information or reservations, contact the Western District.

An Ounce Of Prevention



The Departmental vehicle pictured above was the victim of a frequently occurring set of circumstances. The driver of this vehicle stopped behind a disabled civilian vehicle in order to render assistance. While stopped, serving as protection to one civilian vehicle another struck the police vehicle from the rear.

Accidents of the type just described need not happen with such alarming frequency. Some initial precautions will serve to protect both the Departmental vehicle and the civilian auto it is assisting. Three warning devices should be employed by members of the Department

while rendering this type of assistance; the emergency dome light should be operating, the four-way emergency flashers should be employed, and flares should be set out between 100 and 200 feet to the rear of the stopped vehicles.

When stopped for a disabled motorist the police officer should take care to stay outside of his vehicle where practical and take a position of safety with the motorist.

Officers should stop far enough behind the disabled vehicle, so that the vehicle will not cause damage to the departmental vehicle when it is being moved.

Luncheon Farewell

On February 26, 1971 the personnel of the Tactical Section held a luncheon to bid farewell to Captain Simon J. Avara, who had been assigned to the Section since its creation. Captain Avara was transferred to the South-eastern District.

Acting Deputy Commissioner Frank J. Battaglia and Acting Chief of Patrol Donald T. Shanahan were among the guests. Members of the Division presented Captain Avara a watch bearing the inscription: "From friends of Tactical to Captain Avara."

Although the mood was generally happy, everyone was aware that a good friend was leaving. The members of the Tactical Section, expressed their most sincere wishes to Captain Avara, for "every success and much happiness in his new assignment."

Lunar Recognition For Sergeants

The names of two Baltimore Police Department Sergeants may currently be resting on the Moon. Sergeant Bernie Barker of the Education and Training Division and Sergeant Steve Timchula of the Traffic Division, presently attending a 9-month course at Northwestern University Traffic Institute, were among those whose names were listed on microfilm and given to Astronaut Edgar Mitchell for delivery to the Lunar surface, during the February 7 Moon Shot.

The Sergeants' names appear on the list submitted by a fellow student, Sergeant James Stout of the Houston Police Department, to commemorate the first Lunar Bible, also sent with the names of the one hundred students. Sergeant Stout is a member of the Apollo Prayer League, and has a brother who is a NASA Scientist. The event received wide coverage in the Midwest and South.

NEWS IN BRIEF

PERSONNEL DIVISION — Congratulations to Major Lon F. Rowlett on the birth of a grandson, Christian H. Rowlett, born February 1, and weighing in at 7 lbs. 11 oz. The parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Rowlett, of Columbia, Md., are the son and daughter-in-law of the Major.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS DIVISION — A speedy recovery to Patrolman Oliver R. Walker, released from the hospital and now recuperating at his home.

YOUTH DIVISION — We wish to extend a warm welcome to Clerk Mary L. Weaver recently assigned to the Youth Division. Clerk Weaver is a former policewoman assigned to the Northern District.

Members of this Division extend best wishes to Policewoman Shirley Rote on her recent retirement.

Also, "Best Wishes for a Happy Retirement" to Patrolman Henry J. Hagey, Sr., Southern Police Boys' Club, who after twenty-eight years service with the Department retired February 19, 1971. He was awarded the Bailey Goss Memorial Trophy For Police Boys' Club Policeman Of The Year 1970, which was presented by Baltimore Sports Reporters' Association at the Annual Colt Nite Football Game. His presence will be missed by members of the Club.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman Leroy Smith, Jr. and his wife, Madeline, who became the proud parents of a son, Leroy Smith, III, born February 16 and weighing in at 8 lbs. 3 oz.

TRAFFIC DIVISION — The Traffic Division wishes Captain Edwin L. Lawrence a very fond "Farewell" from all of the personnel. We wish him all the "Luck, Health and Happiness" that one may have in his new assignment. All that we ask of Captain Lawrence is "Not to forget us." He shall be missed by all of us, especially his booming voice when he called for a "Sergeant." The Traffic Division's loss is the Southwestern District's gain.

CENTRAL DISTRICT — Patrolman James A. Kelly has become the proud

grandfather of a 7 lbs. 14 oz. baby boy, Robert E., Jr., presented to him by his step-son, Robert E. Fields and wife, Cindy on February 18. Officer Kelly, who is only 38 years of age, and his wife, Delores, both say, "We're too young to be grandparents."

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Under the outstanding leadership of Team Captain Frank Trcka and the astute strategy of Coach Milton Duvall, the basketballers of the C.I.D. sent the Southern District Dribblers down to a crushing defeat by the score of 42 to 26 in their recent contest. Coach Duvall says there is no truth to the rumor that he is negotiating several trades with the Bullets Organization as he is well satisfied with his C.I.D. "Tigers." He further states that he is not thinking about a championship game at this point as his team "plays each game as it comes!" Captain Trcka echoes the sentiments of Coach Duvall when he says "We'll play 'em as we see 'em, so let the challengers do the worrying, we'll concentrate on basketball!" Any Takers?

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Mrs. Antoinette Becker, one of the first School Crossing Guards appointed to the Department, retired on February 25. A happy and well deserved retirement to Mrs. Becker.

EASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman Richard Bosse and his wife, Loretta on the birth of a baby girl, Barbara Ann, born February 21 and weighing in at 8 lbs. 7 oz.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations are extended to Patrolman John Edwards and his wife, Carol Ann on the birth of a son, Michael Anthony born February 9 and weighing in at 6 lbs. 1 oz.

It's Wedding Bells for Patrolman Lamont West and the former Annie Bracy. The couple were married on February 19 and are residing on Gwynns Falls Parkway.

INSPECTIONAL SERVICES DIVISION — Congratulations to Patrolman Jeff Wright and his wife, Katherine on the birth of their daughter, Tracey Lyn, born March 3 and weighing in at 7 lbs. 4 oz.

PROPERTY DIVISION — PRINTING UNIT — Welcome aboard to Jeanne Murdy recently transferred from the Traffic Division.

Heartly congratulations are extended to recently promoted Chief Clerk Ruby Warner. Best of luck in your new assignment.

WESTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman Lawrence Yinger and his wife, Dorothy on the birth of a daughter, Christina Marie, born February 14 (St. Valentine's Day) and weighing in at 6 lbs. 10 oz.

Members of this District would like to acknowledge the receipt of the beautiful verse composed by Mr. & Mrs. Emerson Hinton, in response to expressions of sympathy upon the recent loss of their son. Mrs. Hinton is a School Crossing Guard at Gilmore and Mosher Streets.

In Memoriam

WORSHAM, JOHN M. SR., father of Detective John M. Worsham, Jr., Criminal Investigation Division, Property Crimes, February 9.

BEISWANGER, ELMER J., father-in-law of Lieutenant Lyman W. Gonce, Inspectional Services Division, February 13.

FINK, JOHN HENRY, father of Patrolman Donald Fink, Southern District, February 18.

SZYMANSKI, FRANK, father-in-law of Patrolman William Wedemeyer, Chief of Patrol's Office, February 21.

FOGARTY, JAMES, brother of Sergeant William L. Fogarty, Central Records Division, February 21.

STEM, CHARLES D., brother of Patrolman L. Stem, Northern District, February 24.

ROBINETTE, GLENDON, father of Police Agent Gilbert Robinette, Planning and Research, February 25.

Final Roll Call

SHAFFREY, WILLIAM O., SR., Retired Patrolman from Southwestern, February 21.

LANGLETTI, EDWARD, Retired Sergeant from Central Records Division, February 22.

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BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Auto Theft — Crime Of Opportunity

Auto theft — a pervasive symptom of a permissive society. It is an expensive crime, caused not so much by criminal cleverness as by sheer negligence on the part of the victim. Most disturbing, it has been isolated as an offense often committed by the young, and often the first step taken in a criminal career.

Except for the purchase of a home, few items are as costly to the average citizen as the family automobile. But where, as a homeowner, a man will blanket himself with fire, theft and liability insurance, besides practicing precautionary common sense, as a car owner, he will often leave his vehicle unlocked and unattended, a veritable invitation to car thieves.

And the car thieves have demonstrated themselves consistently ready to take advantage. More than most other crimes, auto theft is a crime of opportunity. Locked doors and pocketed keys diminish that opportunity proportionately.

But a common sense approach to the problem remains more fundamental. It necessitates changing the solidified attitudes of many motor vehicle owners who regard their automobile insurance as a license for carelessness or stupidity, never realizing that auto theft statistics are a primary factor in the ever increasing premiums which policy holders must pay.

Until several years ago, the engineering and design of motor vehicles also played a significant contributory role in the commission of auto theft. Vent windows that were easily kicked in or pried open, and ultra-soft rubber insulation around doors allowed easy access into the automobile.

Now many auto manufacturers have abolished the side window vents from their design boards, consequently marketing a tighter, safer car. In addition the newest models feature the ignition

locks built into the steering columns that automatically lock both the ignition and the steering wheel. As a direct result of these design innovations, the vast majority of motor vehicles annually being stolen are older models which have been on the streets for several years.

Older vehicles present several problems to law enforcement. They are seldom as easily identifiable as new cars, for example, and it is human nature to maintain and protect a vehicle less as its age increases.

In addition, Auto Theft Unit Detectives warn against placing too much dependency upon ignition tumblers after three or more years of use. Continuous work wears the lock's utility until, often, the same key will open many different locks of similar manufacture. Detectives suggest changing the ignition and door locks within three years to prevent the problem.

Of all the motor vehicles stolen each year, probably over seventy-five percent are taken for "joy rides" by young people who have been inadvertently presented with the opportunity. The large percentage helps to explain, at least in part, the very high vehicle recovery rate — close to ninety per cent.

Indeed, the "intent to deprive permanently thereof" as a criterion for demonstrating true larcenous intent is so often wholly lacking, that stolen vehicles are many times abandoned when the gas tank is empty. Some car thieves even go so far as to steal a second auto-

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Blue Is Beautiful

The retirement of Deputy Commissioner Wade H. Poole has caused several Command Staff changes. The new Deputy Commissioner of the Operations Bureau is Frank J. Battaglia. The other major change was the elevation of Donald T. Shanahan to the position of Chief of Patrol.

The Chief of Patrol has operational control of the three patrol areas and the Tactical Division. Chief Shanahan, contemplating the task ahead, has made some observations about the Patrol Division, and more particularly the men who comprise the most important element of this Department. One conclusion, drawn after a look at the Patrol Division, is that Blue is indeed beautiful. The Chief of Patrol sets his reasons out below:

Blue is beautiful when you're at Roll Call, chest out and shoulders square, with that special feeling of pride, a pride that comes from knowing that you are ready for every challenge during your upcoming tour of duty. You look and feel sharp; you've read your look-out; you've reviewed your crime statistics; and now you're ready to do your part.

Blue is beautiful when you take pride in that preliminary investigation; when you keep alert so that you'll be able to help your brother officer in time of need; when you act with restraint under the most trying conditions; when you're a member of the team.

Blue is beautiful when you really feel lousy but you show up for work anyway knowing that another member of your sector may be depending on you. Blue is especially beautiful when you give up the desire for personal glorification to contribute to the betterment of the team and the accomplishment of the mission.

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mobile at or near the point of abandonment. Very few, probably around ten per cent, steal for monetary gain.

Of course there do exist gangs of well organized car thieves, whose activities have been publicized in national magazines. They operate on an interstate basis, and possess facilities for the altering of auto manufacturer's serial numbers, a prime method of identification. A few such groups have been known to repaint stolen vehicles, besides supplying their "no questions asked" clientele with new titles.

Car strippers function in much the same way, tearing the most valuable auto components from the original vehicle. They represent one of the most significant problems, since the stolen property can be scattered and the probability of recovering the victim's property is low.

Fortunately, relatively few car thieves function strictly for profit. For that reason, "unauthorized use" has replaced grand larceny as the charge most often leveled at arrested car thieves.

The Detectives assigned to the Criminal Investigation Division's Auto Theft Unit are faced with a heavy annual workload. At one time they had worked strictly out of the Police Headquarters Building, responding to follow-up every one of the thousands of auto theft complaints. Now, one Detective is permanently assigned to each police district. The

district, and its auto theft problem, become his area of responsibility. The system minimizes time necessary to respond for investigations and follow-ups. The investigator becomes much more familiar with the area and its inhabitants, and can observe, first-hand, emerging patterns of auto theft.

As part of this newer system, crime maps are set up in each district to familiarize uniformed officers, both with the problem, and its probable place of occurrence. Photos of known car thieves are also displayed in all of the districts, which greatly aid the uniformed members of patrol in recognizing known car theft recidivists. In addition, information, posted on each board concerning which Auto Theft Unit Detective to call for information, is readily available to every officer.

Uniformed Patrol members, in essence, best function to discourage potential car thieves or capture them after the offense has been committed. The omnipresence of Patrol vehicles plays a significant deterrent role, as do the universally employed car stops. Young car thieves are aware of the probability of being stopped and asked to identify themselves and produce proof of ownership. The ability to receive listings and stolen checks via Communications has taken much of the guesswork out of preventive auto theft patrol.

Members of the Auto Theft Unit cite the heightened awareness of the uniformed officers in explaining increased clearance rates in auto theft cases for the first part of 1971. Uniformed members realize the seriousness of the auto theft situation and have applied intelligent police work to the problem. Increased cooperation with Criminal Investigation Division, the manifestation of willingness to work together, is a significant step towards successfully combating auto theft.

Donor Program

Four months ago, during a meeting of the Personnel Service Board, a suggestion was made for the formation of a Blood Bank for the benefit of the members and families of the Baltimore Police Department. Questionnaires were distributed throughout the Department to determine if sufficient interest could be generated.

The response of employees was overwhelmingly in favor of the plan. Accordingly, on Friday, March 12, an agreement was signed with the American Red Cross that provides for an annual contribution by 20% of all employees who have entered the plan. The voluntary contribution will entitle not only the contributor to receive an unlimited supply of blood when the need arises, but members of his immediate family as well.

The advantages of the new plan are readily apparent. Donations of blood are urgently needed by medical science in its continuing struggle against disease and injury.

As structured, the Department's donation plan will be open to all those persons who have signed a form indicating willingness to participate. Every volunteer thus will be issued a card entitling him to draw blood when needed. If a person volunteers but is unable to donate, he will still be able to participate and draw all benefits.

Members who have donated blood under the plan and who subsequently leave the Department for any reason, will be entitled to receive blood for a period of one year after the date of donation.

Administration of the new program will be the responsibility of the Personnel Service Board's Blood Bank Committee consisting of Sergeant John Whelte, Officer Francis Kavanaugh and Detective Richard Ayres.

COMMAND STAFF APPOINTMENTS

Deputy Commissioner Frank J. Battaglia and Major Edwin Lawrence, Deputy Chief for Patrol Area I received their certificates of appointment during ceremonies, Friday, March 19, 1970.

Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau made the presentation in his Board Room among a crowd of well-wishers including Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro III.

Chief of Patrol Donald T. Shanahan was participating in an Oral Interview Board in Dallas, Texas and will receive his certificate in the near future.

Professional Post Scripts

The following are excerpts from a commendatory letter received from Morgan State College.

Dear Sir:

I would like to thank you for your cooperation in arranging the police patrol observation for my students during the week of January 11.

All the students who participated found the experience very rewarding and all came away with a much greater understanding of and sympathy for the policeman and his work. They particularly appreciated the patience and courtesy of the officers with whom they rode.

Thank you again for your assistance. The police observation program which you made possible contributed meaningfully to our academic progress at Morgan State College.

Sincerely yours,
Craig A. McEwen
Assistant Professor of
Sociology
Morgan State College

Appreciation Day

Once again "Policeman's Appreciation Day" will be celebrated at the Catonsville Baptist Church, located at 1004 Frederick Road, Catonsville, on Sunday, March 28 at 11:00 A.M.

The Reverend Maynard F. Lauterbach, Jr., Pastor of the Church has extended an invitation to all Police personnel to attend the service. Reverend Lauterbach will conduct the service and will deliver a message entitled "Love Lifted Me."

Other events will include special music and personal testimonies from some of the Police officers.

There were more than forty Policemen, from the State, City and County at last year's celebration and Reverend Lauterbach is very hopeful that the attendance for this year will be even greater. Dress is optional, uniform or civilian: come and share this day together.

Blue Is Beautiful

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Blue is beautiful when all people are seen for what they are . . . human beings; when we say to ourselves, "My profession is to serve all the people of this community with efficiency, compassion, understanding and dedication."

Blue is beautiful when you've solved a domestic complaint that nobody really knows about afterwards; when you've arrested a burglar in a darkened alleyway, or given food to a hungry man who nobody else cares about. Your payment is full . . . a special feeling, inside, that only you and your brother can truly appreciate.

Blue is beautiful when you get angry at yourself because you were on the other end of your post when the robbery occurred, and try as hard as you did, you couldn't come up with the suspect. But you know you will the next time.

We've all heard the common complaint that "you can never find a cop when you need one." No one knows better than the policeman that frustration which comes from not being able to be all places at all times.

We've been accused of being a special breed, and rightly so, because one day in that blue uniform would send the ordinary man running.

The challenge before us is a great one; to be the finest department in the country. We gladly accept this challenge, we accept it with enthusiasm and we pledge to the citizens of Baltimore our dedication and our whole-hearted professional attention.

Not too long ago a patrolman retired from the Department, and in his farewell talk he told his fellow officers, "You will never be a good cop if you're not dedicated." No statement could be closer to the truth. But each and every one of us must make our own decision as to what that dedication means and then we have to live that way. With dedication and professionalism, we can truly say, "Blue is Beautiful." Wear it proudly!

WADE H. POOLE Testimonial



Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau congratulates Deputy Commissioner Wade H. Poole.

It was a packed house at Martin's West, Sunday March 21, 1971, as hundreds of couples paid tribute to the retiring Deputy Commissioner of the Operations Bureau, Wade H. Poole. After a fine dinner the evening's Toastmaster, the Honorable I. Sewell Lambdin introduced speaker after speaker who in turn paid tribute to Deputy Commissioner Poole.

The formal program ended with the presentation of a special badge to Deputy Commissioner Poole. Instead of the usual emblem in the center this badge carries a beautiful diamond.

Deputy Commissioner Poole told the audience that it's the first diamond he's ever owned, and he accepted well wishes for a happy and prosperous retirement.



Mrs. Wade H. Poole presents her husband with his retirement badge.

NEWS IN BRIEF

PUBLIC INFORMATION DIVISION

— Congratulations to Sergeant James K. Wells on his promotion. The Staff of Public Information wishes "Jim" the "Best" on his new assignment to the Central District.

INSPECTIONAL SERVICES DIVISION

— Congratulations to Sergeant John W. Ryan, Jr. on his recent promotion.

Congratulations to Patrolman Terry Josephson and his wife, Linda, on the birth of their son, Eric David, born on March 8.

Wishes for a speedy recovery for Clerk Henrietta Meyers, who is convalescing at home from a recent illness.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION

— Congratulations to Sergeant Stephen B. Tabeling, 3rd, of the Narcotic Unit who was promoted to Lieutenant on March 12. Lieutenant Tabeling will remain in the Narcotic Unit.

Lieutenant Donald E. Einolf, Sr. of the Narcotic Unit, has been assigned to the Crimes Against Property Unit. We will miss you Lieutenant "Dee". Good Luck to both Lieutenants, in their new assignments.

PLANNING & RESEARCH DIVISION

—"Hearty congratulations have been extended to Lieutenant Edward S. Eben on his recent promotion to the rank of Lieutenant—Good Luck".

The members of the Planning and Research Division "Welcome Back" Captain William Rochford who has been reassigned to this Division.

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

Sergeant Glenn Egbert is slipping, he only won 2nd place in the City Wide Bureau of Recreation 1971 Championship Meeting Young Adult Class with a 265 pound overhead lift.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS DIVISION

— Bon Voyage to Sergeant John Vogl and his lovely wife, Eileen, on their two week cruise to the West Indies. We wish them a very happy and safe trip — Hurry back.

Farewell to Mr. Gary W. Cordner,

an intern from Northeastern University College of Criminal Justice, who spent from January 5th to March 19th, 1971 at the field office, 845 George Street. Gary, a credit to his generation, did an excellent job and worked very well with everyone. We wish him good luck.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT — Bon Voyage to Captain William Rochford, who has a new assignment in Planning and Research. Good Luck and stop in for a 'free' cup of coffee, when you are in the Northwestern District.

Good Luck to Lieutenant Louis J. Lazzara, who has taken his seven combs and gone to the Northern District. (The 7 combs are for each day of the week).

Good Luck to Sergeant Raymond Campbell who was transferred to the Southern District and to Patrolman Richard Hite, transferred to Criminal Investigation Division.

Congratulations to Police Agent Edward S. Feeney on his promotion to Sergeant and good luck on his assignment to Eastern District.

"Welcome Aboard" to Captain Theodore I. Weintraub who was promoted and transferred to this District on March 15 from Communications Division. "Congratulations" Captain. Also "Welcome Aboard" to Lieutenant Charles W. Goodrich, Sergeants Maurice Dungan and Michael Gray and to Patrolmen Richard Clement, Leroy Thomas and Edward Walstrum.

Congratulations to Sergeant Robert Barlow, formerly of this District, and his wife on the birth of a daughter, Barbara Jean, who weighed 8 lbs. 6 oz. Good Luck also on your new assignment in the Tactical Section.

Congratulations to the new "grandfather" Patrolman Bernard Sullivan on the birth of a grandson, Robert, Jr., born January 29.

Congratulations to Patrolman Paul Egbert and wife, Teresa on the birth of a daughter, Stacey Lynn, born February 28 and weighed 7 lbs. 1 oz.

Formerly of this District, Retired Lieutenant "Bob" Cohen is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, 7620 York Road, Room 502 and would enjoy hearing from some of his friends.

In Memoriam

DUNGAN, DONALD, brother of Sergeant Maurice Dungan, Northwestern District, March 3.

LEWIS, MATTIE V., mother of Patrolman Starkie M. Lewis, Northern District, March 5.

LIND, JEAN, sister of Mrs. Emma Heath, Communications Division, March 5.

MILLER, MAGNUS, step-father of Patrolman Larry Schirmbeck, Western District, March 7.

SCROGGS, WILLARD, brother of Detective Charles Scroggs, Criminal Investigation Division, Auto Theft Unit, March 8.

BENNETT, ROBERT M., brother of Patrolman Marion Bennett, Eastern District, March 11.

McGUIRE, VIRGINIA, sister of Patrolman William J. Jazwinski, Traffic Enforcement Section, March 13.

McCRORY, THELMA D., wife of Patrolman Thomas McCrory, Southern District, March 14.

HOMBERG, THELMA, mother-in-law of Patrolman Ronald Readmond, Southern District, March 18.

TRAWINSKI, JOSEPH C., father of Patrolman Raymond Trawinski, Southern District, March 21.

Final Roll Call

FAULKNER, CHARLES SR., retired Patrolman from Southwestern District, March 3.

KILLIAN, WILLIAM F., retired Sergeant from Youth Division, March 9.

MANTEGNA, JOSEPH J., retired Detective Patrolman from Criminal Investigation Division, March 13.

NELSON, ARTHUR J., retired Sergeant from Youth Division, and step-father of Sergeant John Boyle, Youth Division, March 14.

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Command Staff Appointments

On March 19, during ceremonies held in the Conference Room adjoining the office of Commissioner Donald D. Pommerleau, Frank J. Battaglia was elevated to the position of Deputy Commissioner Operations Bureau. The appointment represented the crowning achievement of a distinguished police career.

Thirty-one years before, Deputy Battaglia had entered the Baltimore Police Department to join the ranks of men he had greatly admired as a child. Working conditions were hard but there existed, nevertheless, an almost universal respect for the law. Today, Deputy Battaglia considers much of that respect to be gone.

"In the early days that badge alone was often enough to command respect: ninety-nine out of a hundred people obeyed a Policeman without question. In these times, a man is just as apt to knock the badge from your hand. Before anything else, the modern Policeman has got to earn respect."

Lack of respect, the Deputy recalls, began about ten years ago, the logical outgrowth of a better informed and challenging public. Suddenly, the most ordinary situations became ultra-sensitive ones, and all levels of law enforcement were forced to adapt.

In spite of present day disrespect for the law and its enforcement, however, Deputy Battaglia believes that a healthy and constructive change of attitudes is presently under way. It is the manifestation of that same informed public's sense of moral values as they reassert themselves. People realize the critical necessity of an efficient, capable police department. *"Much of our respect has been hard won by Officers serving on the street,"* said Deputy Battaglia, *"they are a new generation, and every day they*

are winning admiration for themselves and the Baltimore Police Department."

The new Deputy Commissioner of Operations is hardly unfamiliar with the intricacies of public service. He served as a Patrolman in the Central District at the advent of his police career in 1940. Shortly after the outbreak of hostilities during World War II he enlisted in the U. S. Navy where he served admirably for three years. Returning to the Department in 1945 he was assigned to Headquarters, and was promoted to Sergeant in 1947.



Deputy Commissioner Frank J. Battaglia

In December, 1950 he was advanced to Lieutenant followed, two years later by promotion to the rank of Captain and command of the Southwestern District. In October, 1961 he was designated Chairman of the Meritorious Service Board.

The following years witnessed Deputy Battaglia's advancement to the rank of Inspector and, in August, 1964 designation as Night Watch Commander. He was appointed Chief of Patrol on

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GRADUATION CEREMONY

Friday, March 26, 1971 was Graduation Day at the War Memorial for thirty-seven Probationary Police Officers. The guest speaker at graduation exercises was Mr. Victor Turyn, Special Agent in Charge of the Baltimore Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Mr. Turyn's long experience in Federal Law Enforcement qualifies him as an expert on problems faced on both the national and local level. Following are excerpts from his talk to the new Probationary Officers:

In recent years, a new wave of terror has spread across this country, initially on the part of the Black Panthers, and later on the part of the Weatherman Faction of the New Left organization called Students for a Democratic Society, with the result that outright guerrilla warfare against the establishment has resulted. The Republic has been besieged by terroristic bombings and arson attacks directed generally at the establishment, but more specifically at the basic symbols of authority in our nation.

During the period December 1969 to October 1970, there was a total of at least 151 major incidents of bombings and arson attacks, representing a financial loss in excess of eight and one-quarter million dollars, with untold loss of life both to police officers and innocent parties.

You're probably wondering at this point why I have expounded on the problem facing the country today. The reason is that you, as police officers, will be the first sign of authority visible to those whose aims are to destroy this form of government. Being in the so-called first line of defense, as you will be, can be very risky. Eighty-six law enforcement officers

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Policeman Honored

On March 25, 1971 The Lion's Club of Hamilton honored the outstanding Policeman, Fireman and Civilian of the Hamilton area, at a dinner banquet which was held at the Club Venus.

Patrolman Frederick Archer of the Northeastern District, was cited as the Policeman of the Year. He achieved this honor for his outstanding police work in solving 162 major crimes in 1970, among which were homicide, assault with intent to murder, assault and robbery and burglaries.

Mr. George Waxter, President of the Hamilton Lion's Club presented Officer Archer with a plaque and an engraved wrist watch commemorating the event.

Representing the Police Commissioner were Lieutenant Colonel Donald T. Shanahan, Chief of Patrol; Major George Schnabel, Deputy Chief Area III and Captain Henry J. Deasel, Northeastern District Commander. They conveyed the Commissioner's gratitude and congratulations to Officer Archer for a job well done and also expressed their appreciation to the Hamilton Lion's Club for their recognition, interest and support for Law Enforcement.

The Northeastern District Officers and personnel wish to extend its sincere congratulations to Officer Frederick Archer, "Policeman of the Year" and wish him continued success in his career.

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were feloniously murdered during 1969. This was significantly above the annual average of 53 police killings during the sixties. 561 law enforcement officers have been murdered in the line of duty since 1960.

Americans are alarmed at the growing viciousness of the criminal. They are demanding more effective control of crime in the streets by police, and more stringent action against offenders by the courts. Crime is essentially a local problem, and ultimately it must be controlled at that level. The ability of the police to do their job well may determine the nation's ability to manage the conflicts in society and preserve a proper balance between liberty and order.

Admittedly, law enforcement has its shortcomings, as do all professions. Contrary to some viewpoints, however, it is not responsible for all the grievances with which it is charged. Furthermore, wholesale harassment of law enforcement is not an antidote for all the troublesome issues facing communities throughout the country.

Each of you can be very proud of having chosen law enforcement as your profession, and as the years pass, you can derive a great deal of satisfaction and receive personal gratification in knowing that you represent the first line of defense in the preservation of our government under law.



Special Agent Victor Turyn addresses graduates.

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July 1, 1966, where he gained valuable tactical experience directing uniformed elements during a variety of street disturbances in addition to directing the Department's prime crime fighting components.

Today, in examining the most valuable assets of a police officer, Deputy Battaglia most often cites common sense, even above his own impressive accumulated experience, as the single most necessary prerequisite for success; old fashioned common sense, the type that no amount of education can supply. The professional police officer, in Deputy Battaglia's mind, must be a well rounded individual, able to draw upon experience, education and common sense if he is to function competently and effectively in a complex society.

Having risen through the ranks of the Department, Deputy Battaglia is well familiar with the problems that face personnel at every level. His recent appointment has added greatly to his responsibilities as an administrator and as a crime fighter. But he retains the hard earned Policeman's insight which has served as the foundation for much of his success.

"You must be a Policeman first," he says. "You must stay on top of every situation as it arises, and you must never relinquish your responsibility: it's part of being a Policeman, and every officer must recognize and fulfill it."

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LIEUTENANT COLONEL DONALD T. SHANAHAN

Even though his father retired from the Baltimore Police Department as a Sergeant, Lieutenant Colonel Donald T.



Shanahan frankly admits an inability to explain why he himself entered law enforcement.

"Except," he is quick to add, "that I care about people."

The newly appointed Chief of the Patrol Division

neglects to mention that he also understands people. He views the problems facing management as an interrelated series of structured responsibilities. "And a Commander's biggest responsibility," he says, "is to take care of his men."

Reorganization, he believes, accomplished much to delegate individual responsibility, and at the same time, assure every member of the Department of his position within the organization. It placed responsibility and authority, and implemented the modern systems of management upon which the Department is founded.

Chief Shanahan cites planning as the most basic and most important preparation for success. But even the best planning, he concedes, will lose momentum without a prime ingredient. "You've got to have the people," Chief Shanahan adds, "and we've got them."

He assesses the Baltimore Police Department without qualification. "There is none better. To continue improving ourselves must be our goal. We've got to increase the number of people in Baltimore who say, 'our Department is number one.'"

Working towards that goal will be Chief Shanahan's primary function as Commander of the Patrol Division. He is well prepared. During his sixteen year career he has served as a uniformed member of the Patrol Division in both the Northeastern and Eastern Districts. He worked one year in the Narcotics Section of the Criminal Investigation Division and four years with the Rackets Squad.

At the outset of Departmental Reorganization he held the rank of Lieutenant and was assigned to the Central District. In March of 1967 he was transferred to the Planning and Research Division, and was later designated as Officer-in-Charge of the Central Records Division to implement the necessary improvements in the field reporting system.

His success there led to his appointment to the rank of Major in January, 1968, one of the first two men in Department history to be elevated directly from Lieutenant. On June 3, 1968 he was officially named as Deputy Chief of Patrol Area III.

He believes wholeheartedly in higher

education (he began night school in 1963) as advantageous both to the organization and the individual. "Education stimulates competition", Chief Shanahan remarks, "and competition is good."

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MAJOR EDWIN L. LAWRENCE

The new Deputy Chief in charge of Patrol Area I, Major Edwin L. Lawrence, is a 24 year veteran of the Department. He's been around a long time and has put his experience to effective use.



As Deputy Chief of Area I Major Lawrence has overall responsibility for the Central, Southern and Southwestern Districts. And he, like the previously mentioned Staff Officers, finds his schedule an extremely busy one.

Major Lawrence joined the Department on April 3, 1947. As a young Patrolman he was assigned to the Northeastern District. As most experienced Officers know, things were quite different in those days. The area to which he was assigned was described by a commanding officer as "Quiet with few complaints which have been corrected." Today's police officer is hard put to find an area which can be so-described.

Throughout the years, Major Lawrence's attention to duty and his diplomatic handling of citizens and situations has become well known. Years ago, while handling traffic at a busy intersection, he aided an armless man who had fallen down and was unable to get back up. A witness described his actions in a letter to the Police Commissioner. The letter writer not only commended the then Officer Lawrence's handling of the embarrassed citizen, but went on to tell how he hailed a taxi for the man and even took money from his own pocket to pay the fare. Acts of this type are proof of compassion for one's fellow man.

Major Lawrence has received five Official Commendations. He was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 1955, Lieutenant in 1959 and Captain in 1967. His appointment to his present position

of Deputy Chief Area I became effective March 19, 1971. Major Lawrence is married and the father of four children. He lives in the Fullerton area of Baltimore County.

The Deputy Chief is looking forward to his new role with the same enthusiasm evidenced by this comment made in a letter of commendation written by a citizen several years ago; "This man has personality, plus. Watch him!"



Promotional ceremonies for Deputy Commissioner Frank J. Battaglia and Major Edwin L. Lawrence were conducted in the Commissioner's Board Room at Police Headquarters. Among those in attendance were Mrs. Battaglia and Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro, III. (Above) Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau offers his best wishes to the newly appointed staff members while Mayor D'Alesandro and Mrs. Battaglia look on.

A week after the above ceremony for Deputy Commissioner Battaglia and Major Lawrence another appointment was finalized. Lt. Colonel Donald T. Shanahan (pictured with Commissioner Pomerleau below) received his certificate of appointment during ceremonies in the Traffic Roll Call Room.



NEWS IN BRIEF

SOUTHERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman Leonard H. Sullivan and his wife, Genevieve, on the birth of their first child, a son, Leonard, Jr., born March 24 and weighed 9 lbs. 2 oz.

Congratulations to Patrolman Floyd R. Lilly, Sr., who participated in the "March of Dimes Walk-A-Thon" on Sunday, March 28. He completed the 25 mile hike in 7 hours (blisters and all).

TACTICAL SECTION — Congratulations to Patrolman Gilbert Schoff and his wife, Inez, on the birth of their son, Matthew John, born March 19 and weighed 7 lbs. 6 oz.

YOUTH DIVISION — Members of this Division extend a warm welcome to Lieutenant Leon A. Fialkewicz, Jr. recently assigned to the Youth Division.

We wish to express our sympathy to Sergeant John D. Boyle and his family upon the recent loss of his stepfather, Retired Sergeant Arthur J. Nelson, formerly of the Youth Division.

Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. John H. Thomas who became "proud grandparents" for the first time when their daughter, Mrs. Joyce Rogers of Buies Creek, North Carolina, presented them with a grandson, Brian John, born March 6 and weighed 9 lbs. 2 oz.

WESTERN DISTRICT — Welcome Aboard to Lieutenant Thomas F. Hennessey. Fond Farewell to Lieutenant Charles W. Goodrich and Patrolmen Nicholas Latanishen and Robert Addison.

The men of the Western District challenge Cadden's Rangers, Central District to a softball game—"Anywhere you say". You can blame the defeat on Lieutenant Stanke who made this offer at the Testimonial given for Deputy Commissioner Wade Poole.

After repeated efforts to arrange a basketball game between the Western District's team and Criminal Investigation Division's "TIGERS", there is a noticeable unexplained silence. Our team still stands ready to take on any challengers, including the so-called "TIGERS".

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION — On March 21, Sergeant Glenn A. Egbert received a National Classification Award in Olympic Weight Lifting from the A.A.U. His 645 lbs. total exceeded the qualifying total by 45 lbs. Weighing only 169 lbs., Sergeant Egbert placed fourth in the light heavyweight division at the Maryland State Championship Meet on the same date.

NORTHERN DISTRICT — Related but no less sincere, "Welcome" to Captain Robert L. Larkin, Lieutenant Louis J. Lazzara, Sergeant Cleo C. Hord, Patrolmen James E. Dodson, John F. Cullings and Larry L. Clark and to Crossing Guard Charlotte King. We are happy, pleased and proud to have all of you with us.

Our sad "Good bye" and best wishes to Captain George W. Hasson and Lieutenant Nicholas D. Cortezi on their retirement.

Congratulations to Patrolman Edward Pazdan and his wife, Karen on the birth of their daughter, Cynthia Elaine, born March 16 and weighed 8 lbs. 2 oz.

EASTERN DISTRICT — The members of this District extend heartiest congratulations to David Sieminski, the 11 year old son of Sergeant Frank Sieminski. David appeared on "Pinbusters-TV" recently and bowled for the required 6 weeks to become an undefeated champion. This was a "Big One" and a job "Well Done".

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT — On March 18 Patrolman Michael J. Roz, recently retired from the Department, was invited to the Mayor's Office. Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro presented him with a certificate, citing him as an Honored and Outstanding Citizen of Baltimore. The certificate recognizes his tenure of service and symbolizes the Mayor's appreciation for the dedicated service of Officer Roz in the interest of the Citizens of Baltimore.

CENTRAL DISTRICT — Patrolman Carl D. McKinney, Sr. became a grandfather on March 28. His daughter-in-law, Ada presented him with a grandson, Carl D. McKinney, III who weighed 7 lbs. 9½ oz. Officer McKinney's son, SP4 Carl D. McKinney, Jr. is presently with the Armed Forces in Vietnam.

Professional Post Scripts

The following excerpts are from a letter of commendation forwarded to Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau from Mr. Paul J. Reed, Jail Board President.

Dear Sir:

"The Jail Board, at a special meeting on Friday, February 19, 1971, passed a resolution commending Baltimore Police Officers for their cooperation and assistance in quelling the disturbance at the City Jail on February 17, 1971.

"In hours such as this, it is gratifying to know that our City's finest are ready, willing and able to give assistance for which we are ever grateful.

Very truly yours,
PAUL J. REED, JR."

In Memoriam

DENHARDT, REGINA, widow of retired Patrolman Henry P. Denhardt, March 23.

NAARISMA, LJBOV, mother of Patrolman Valdur Putsep, Traffic Division, March 22.

RING, LEATRICE, sister of Clerk Margaret Lynch, Criminal Investigation Division, Vice Section, March 27.

BEIL, WILLIAM A., father of Patrolman William J. Beil, Sr., Central District, March 27.

Final Roll Call

FLYNN, GEORGE W., retired Patrolman from Northeastern District, February 5.

SCHNEEMAN, WILLIAM F., retired Patrolman from Central District, March 18.

ROTEN, WILBERT O., retired Patrolman from Traffic Division, March 23.

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First Cross-Country Flight

Two new versatile crime-fighting tools touched down at Friendship Airport Wednesday, April 7, piloted by Baltimore Police Department Flight Officers James Vincent Daly, Hank Lippincott and Scott Miskimmon. The Hughes 300-C Helicopters ended a cross-country flight that had begun from Palomar Airport in California seven days earlier.

The flight, a first for the Department, was accomplished under the supervision and direction of Fiscal Affairs Division Director C. Jared Glauser and was accompanied by the Department's newest helicopter pilot, Flight Officer James Vincent Daly. The trip climaxed many weeks of intensive preparation prior to the actual acceptance of the new helicopters from the Hughes Tool Company, located in Culver City, California.

By taking delivery of the machines on the West Coast, the Flight Officers were able to take advantage of orientation and familiarization periods offered by Hughes engineers and test pilots. In addition, the Officers were able to observe, first-hand, the assembly of the helicopters for valuable future reference.

The Baltimore Police Department contingent arrived in California on the 23rd of March and spent their first day with the Los Angeles Police Department, since that Department has employed helicopters for over five years and possesses invaluable experience in the techniques of helicopter employment in police work.

The new acquisitions were formally accepted and registered for the Department on the 26th of March.

During the next several days the Flight Officers received transitional flight instructions from Hughes Company test pilots who familiarized them with the new craft. At the termination of the three day orientation period the

Officers were certified to fly the 300-C model.

On the first of April, the crews were ready to begin the return transcontinental trip. Due to a heavy fog which blanketed the area, the departure was delayed almost three hours. Further, because of extremely turbulent winds over the mountains, the route for the first leg was modified. The planned route for the return trip was through the southern section of the country to avoid adverse weather and high mountainous terrain farther to the north. This route would cover approximately three thousand miles and necessitate a projected figure of forty-two hours flying time.



Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau extends a welcome home to Director C. Jared Glauser.

The largest physical obstacle to be crossed were the San Jacinto Mountains. Altitudes during crossing varied from five hundred to two thousand feet above the terrain to a maximum of 6500 feet during the crossing with a cruising speed

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TWO OFFICERS CITED

The Criminal Justice Commission, on Wednesday, April 14, 1971 presented citations to two Baltimore Police Officers. Commission president Phillip Heller Sachs said that Officers Celio Oliveras, Jr. of the Western District and George Selby of the Tactical Division merited the awards for alert, courageous action and humanitarian services performed in unrelated incidents.

While on patrol December 5, 1970, Officer Oliveras saw dense smoke pouring from the second floor residence at 1616 N. Monroe Street and heard cries from people gathered outside that there were children trapped in the house. The officer immediately climbed the steps on hands and knees in an effort to stay under the choking smoke. Crawling on his stomach to the front bedroom he found two children, ages three and five, and carried them to safety. Officer Oliveras then re-entered the burning dwelling to look for others trapped inside. No other persons were in the house and the officer was barely able to get back to the window before he collapsed and was himself pulled to safety by neighbors.

On January 27, 1971, Officer George Selby saw flames coming from the third floor at 2327 N. Calvert Street. He called for fire apparatus and then attempted to alert the occupants of the house. Hearing no response he kicked open the front door and found his way to the third floor, after alerting the occupants living on the second floor. On the third floor he assisted the occupant to make his escape from the spreading flames.

Officers Oliveras and Selby, by their courageous actions undoubtedly saved a number of lives and the "Policeman of the Month" citations were presented to recognize their humanitarian deeds.



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averaging eighty-five miles an hour.

With the exception of fuel stops, made every 1 hour and 40 minutes, the pilots flew continuously from 8:00 A.M. until 6:00 or 7:00 P.M. Using landmarks, major highways and pipelines as guides, the crews averaged five hundred miles each day.

Overnight stops were made in Tucson, Arizona; Pecos, Texas; Shreveport, Louisiana and Birmingham, Alabama. For the most part, flying conditions were ideal until the final stop prior to reaching Friendship Airport. In Greensboro, North Carolina, the helicopters were delayed because of snow, nevertheless reaching Baltimore a single day behind the projected schedule.



(From Left) Flight Officer Scott Miskimmon, Director C. Jared Glauser, Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, and Flight Officers Hank Lippincott and James Vincent Daly.

Touchdown of the two craft was made at precisely 4:17 P.M. on the 7th. Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau personally greeted Director Glauser and the crew members, congratulating them on the success of their flight. In company with the Flight Officers, the Commissioner inspected the Department's newest crime fighting apparatus.

Equipped with fuel-injection engines the Hughes 300-C helicopters are capable of a maximum airspeed of 105 miles per hour. Each is equipped with a powerful set of searchlights rated at 1.2 million candlepower. Both are equipped with siren, public address system and police radio.

The two new helicopters raise to three the number of such craft available for tactical deployment in the Department's continuing efforts to combat crime. Purchased under a Federal grant, the Hughes 300-C models represent a maximum combination of utility and modernization within the Baltimore Police Department crime fighting efforts.

During a two week experimental period the Fairchild-Hiller Helicopter has demonstrated itself to be a very effective crime fighting tool. With a total of 150 flying hours on patrol the Helicopter Unit has been instrumental in arrests for assault and robbery, burglary, escapees and stolen autos.

On April 15th, the first day airborne one of the Hughes Helicopters gave an indication of its crime fighting potential, by assisting in the apprehension of three suspects in an assault and robbery case in the Northeastern District.

At the time of the call the helicopters were on a communications test flight over the Northwestern District. The Hughes, in company with the Fairchild-Hiller, responded to the scene of the offense within 1½ minutes and pointed out a suspect to radio cars which effected the arrest on the ground. Several hours later two more suspects fitting the description for the assault and robbery were sighted in a near-by commercial area, but because of heavy traffic congestion the radio car that sighted the suspects could not make the arrest. Again the helicopter responded in time to see the suspects enter a store, and broadcast their description to ground units which made the arrests.



LOYOLA RETREAT PLANNED

Men of the Department have participated in religious retreats annually for more than forty years. Arrangements for this year's activity will find members of the Department gathering at a new location, the Loyola Retreat House on the Potomac.

At the retreat men of the Department will be able to contemplate on various problems, hopefully looking at these problems with a new perspective; thereby coming away with answers not seen before.

The Baltimore Police Retreat will be conducted on May 17, 18 and 19 at a cost of \$25.00 per person. The accommodations include private rooms and southern-cooked family-style meals.

This is a retreat for men of all faiths. Loyola Retreat House is located on Route 301 south of La Plata. Deadline for making arrangements is April 25th. For information contact Officer Frederick A. Kestler, Jr., Property Division.

Big Brothers Need You

"Big Brothers", an agency of the Red Feather (United Appeal), is in dire need of help. This organization needs men who can give three hours once a week, at their convenience, to spend with a fatherless boy. A one year

Three Promoted To Captain

On Friday, March 12, promotional ceremonies were held in the Commissioner's Board Room. Promoted to the rank of Captain were Lieutenants Francis X. Hayes, Frank J. Serra and Theodore I. Weintraub.

Captain Francis X. Hayes celebrated his nineteenth year of police service on August 23, 1970. As a member of the Baltimore Police Department, he has served in numerous capacities, including Officer-in-Charge of the Training Division. His most recent assignment, prior to his promotion,



was in the Office of the Chief of Patrol.

The forty-two year old Captain assumed command of the Tactical Section on the day of his promotion.

Captain Hayes is married and the father of five sons. His oldest son is currently studying Law Enforcement at The Catonsville Community College.

period of service is the minimum.

To become a "Big Brother" you must be of good character, at least 21 years of age and willing to invest both time and energy. For further information contact Patrolman Pete Harbin, c/o Community Relations Division.

Captain Hayes has attended Supervisory and Management courses conducted by the International Association of Chiefs of Police. He is now attending courses at the Community College of Baltimore.

Captain Frank J. Serra completed his twenty-third year of police service on December 18, 1970.



As a patrolman he was assigned to the Northwestern District. In September, 1956 he was promoted to Sergeant and transferred to the Northeastern District. In July, 1967 he was transferred to the Education and Training Division, where, a year later he was promoted to Lieutenant, and remained until his promotion to Captain.

Captain Serra has attended courses at the Northwestern University in both Traffic Law Enforcement and Traffic Police Administration. He has also attended American University, The Community College of Baltimore and the University of Maryland.

Captain Serra is married and the father of three children.

Captain Theodore I. Weintraub entered the Baltimore Police Department in 1952, and was assigned to the Northwestern District.



In 1959 he was promoted to Sergeant and transferred to the Southeastern District. In 1966, promoted to Lieutenant and was transferred to the Communications Division, where he remained until being promoted to Captain. As a Captain, he has assumed command of the Northwestern District.

Captain Weintraub has an Associate of Arts degree in Law Enforcement from the Community College of Baltimore. He has also taken courses from the University of Baltimore and Northwestern University.

During his career Captain Weintraub has received 11 official commendations. He is married and is the father of two children.

STATISTICAL REPORT

Reports of Index Crime in Baltimore City Reflect:

15.1% Decrease for Month of March, 1971

8.0% Decrease for Year to date

SUMMARIZATION OF INDEX CRIMES

	MONTH OF MARCH		% OF CHANGE	FIRST 3 MONTHS		% OF CHANGE
	1971	1970		1971	1970	
MURDER	18	19	— 5.3%	61	47	+29.8%
FORCIBLE RAPE	34	59	—42.4%	114	119	— 4.2%
ROBBERY	656	809	—18.9%	2057	2336	—11.9%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	450	578	—22.1%	1390	1536	— 9.5%
BURGLARY	1385	1429	— 3.1%	4367	4287	+ 1.9%
LARCENY \$50 & OVER	803	1021	—21.4%	2462	2979	—17.4%
AUTO THEFT	733	888	—17.5%	2294	2548	—10.0%

NEWS IN BRIEF

FISCAL AFFAIRS DIVISION — Members of this Division express sincere sympathy to Joseph Piller on the recent death of his mother.

Congratulations to Gail Desverreaux Walker, daughter of Joseph K. Walker, Senior Administrative Assistant of this Division and Richard Clayden of Kings Langley, Hertfordshire, England on their wedding which took place at St. Johns Episcopal Church on March 27. The Best of Wishes to Gail and Richard.

CENTRAL RECORDS DIVISION — A "Fond Farewell and The Best" to Patrolman Richard J. Burke on his retirement which was effective April 1, 1971. Officer Burke, after 29 years with the Department, was given a party and a gold wrist watch, presented by Major Maurice M. Guerrasio on April 7, 1971.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS DIVISION — The Staff wishes a speedy recovery to Major William A. Harris, who is confined to Provident Hospital. "Get plenty of rest, boss, we all miss you."

EASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. Charles Leonard on the birth of their daughter, DEBORAH LEE, on April 10 and weighed 8 lbs. 4 oz.

Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. Gregory Lysakoski on the birth of their daughter, LAURA, born April 2 and weighed 8 lbs. 3 oz.

Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. Edward German on the birth of their second daughter, KAREN, born April 1 and weighed 7 lbs. 6 oz.

TACTICAL SECTION — Congratulations to Patrolman Billy Anderson and his wife, Pat, on the birth of their son, born April 8 and weighed 8 lbs.

Congratulations to Patrolman Lee Cohen and his wife, Shirley, on the birth of their son, MARTIN CRAIG, born April 5.

Congratulations to Patrolman Elwood H. Davenport who, on March 24, received "The Oscar Wilson Hoar Award" as the Small Craft Safety Volunteer of the Year. Officer Davenport was presented with this award at a dinner which was held at Eudo-wood Gardens by The Baltimore Regional Chapter, American Red Cross.

The Officer, having received this award last year too, was given a First Aid Service Medal for volunteering a minimum of 500 hours teaching first aid for over a five year period.

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION — Congratulations to Captain Theodore Weintraub on his recent promotion and assignment to the Northwestern District.

Welcome Aboard to Lieutenant John Padgett, newly assigned to this Division.

Congratulations to Sergeant Charles E. Reed on his recent promotion and assignment to this Division.

A speedy recovery is wished to Emergency Call Clerk Laura Isom, recuperating from recent surgery.

Sergeant Glenn Egbert is still slipping. He placed only 3rd in the Middleweight Division of the AAU Regional Power Lifting Championships on March 27. However, he did set a Meet Record in the Bench Press and received a National Classification Award for a Three Lift Total of 1025 lbs.

WESTERN DISTRICT — The "Best of Luck" to Captain Robert F. Cheeks, son of Patrolman and Mrs. Willie A. Cheeks who has returned to Vietnam for a second tour of duty. Officer and Mrs. Cheeks wish to thank the officers of this District for their concern and silent prayers for the safe return of their son.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT — A "Speedy Recovery" is wished for Lieutenant Rudolph Wilkins, who is a patient at Lutheran Hospital, Room 225-B. He would like to hear from his friends.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT — A "Speedy Recovery" is wished for the following members of this District. Patrolman Edward Domzalski, a patient at St. Joseph's Hospital. Clerk Robert Tevis, who is a patient at Franklin Square Hospital and School Crossing Guard Helen Redmond, who is confined at Church Home and Hospital. Also to Clerk Helen Wos, who is a patient at Bon Secours Hospital. Patrolman George Walper, who is recuperating at home, is wished a "Speedy Recovery". "Welcome Back" to Patrolman Anthony Matesic, who has returned to duty after recuperating

from his operation.

"Welcome Aboard" to Captain Simon J. Avara and Lieutenant John P. Donohue on their new assignments to this District, and to our "New" Chief Clerk, Miss Nancy Howard.

Retirements

PALMERE, Sergeant John L., Northeastern District, April 28.

SPIKER, Patrolman Robert D., Tactical Section, April 15.

ROUT, Patrolman Charles F., Western District, April 15.

MORSE, Policewoman Evelyn B., Youth Division, April 15.

POOLE, Matron Alma M.B., Youth Division, April 15.

In Memoriam

PILLER, WILHELMINA, mother of Mr. Joseph R. Piller, Supervisor of Purchasing, April 2.

JONES, CHARLES F., father of Detective Joseph Jones, Criminal Investigation Division, Fugitive Squad, April 2.

JOHNSON, IDA, mother of Miss Gertrude Harper, Communications Division, April 5.

WADE, CHARLES, half-brother of Patrolman Henry Ford, Tactical Section, K-9 Unit, April 6.

GRAFF, MARTIN J., father of Sergeant Gordon H. Graff, Central Records Division, April 10.

THOMAS, DORIS E., wife of Patrolman Joseph L. Thomas, Traffic Division, Mounted Unit, April 11.

WILEY, JAMES A., father of Patrolman James Wiley, Southern District, April 12.

BOTTARI, FRANK, grandfather of Policewoman Patricia Loveless, Northeastern District, April 12.

MILLER, WILBUR, father-in-law of Patrolman William Elder, Western District, March 24.

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May 5, 1971

A PAPER WAR

By Quinn Tamm, Executive Director, IACP

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In December, 1969, shortly after two members of the Black Panther Party were killed during a police raid in Chicago, Charles R. Garry, the chief lawyer of the group, announced that their deaths were "the 27th and 28th Panthers murdered by the police" within the year.

Garry charged that there existed "a national scheme by various agencies of the government to destroy and commit genocide upon members of the Black Panther Party."

Garry's statement was widely reported. The New York Times, without crediting the source, reported that 28 panthers had been killed by the police since January, 1968. This figure, published as an established fact rather than as an unsubstantiated charge by an obviously biased source, was distributed to the more than three hundred newspapers which subscribe to the Times' wire service.

Almost simultaneously, The Washington Post reported "A total of 28 Panthers have died in clashes with police since January 1, 1968." A short time later the Post declared, "Between a dozen and 30 Panthers have been killed in these confrontations." These stories were distributed to the approximately two hundred newspapers which subscribe to the Post's wire service.

Civil rights leaders, accepting these stories as fact, gave wider distribution to the charges. Sometimes with credit and sometimes without, they repeated the assertion that 28 Panthers had been

slain by the police. Their comments were then reported by the press, giving the figure an added appearance of truth.

The process of infection and reinfection with tainted "facts" continued until Edward Jay Epstein, a teaching fellow at Harvard working for a Ph.D. in political science, became suspicious. This suspicion led him to contact with Garry, and ultimately to a request for the names of the persons alleged to have been killed by the police. Garry's list, which contained only twenty names, was then used by Epstein as the basis of rather exhaustive investigative reporting.

Through his investigation, Epstein proved Garry's charge was almost total fabrication. The investigation was reported in the February 3, 1971, issue of The New Yorker. Following its publication, at least two newspapers, The Washington Post and The Washington Star, ran editorials of retraction. The Star had not failed to credit the erroneous statement, but felt that by having run it at all, without conducting obviously called for investigation, it too had contributed to the dissemination of inflammatory and incorrect charges.

Although the newspapers which ran the retractions deserve credit for at least an effort to correct their mistakes, it is obvious that the retractions could not have the impact of the original statement. In the minds of many, law enforcement continues to stand condemned.

It is a basic responsibility of the press to report on the activities of public organizations. Law enforcement accepts this, and would not have it otherwise. But it is also the responsibility of the press to insure the accuracy of that which it reports. Law enforcement expects this, and is not willing to accept otherwise.

A TOP EDITOR'S VIEW

These excerpts and the accompanying article on the left are published from various media sources and appear in the Newsletter for the professional enlightenment of each member of the Baltimore Police Department.

Following are portions of a speech made on April 14 by Newbold Noyes, editor of "The Washington Star," to the American Society of Newspaper Editors, which appeared in an April issue of U. S. NEWS AND WORLD REPORT.

The speech appears "Courtesy, The Washington (D. C.) Star."

It is often noted that our readers' confidence in their newspaper press is at a low ebb these days. . . . The most frequent suggestion seems to be that we have forsaken time-honored principles of objectivity, that public confidence is being eroded by a wave of activism sweeping through our newsrooms. I do not agree. . . . There are, however, some other elements of our performance that seem to me particularly suspect. . . .

For one thing, it is obvious that we are lazy and superficial in much of our reporting. . . . Why is a speech, a press conference, a court decision, a congressional hearing always news, while the real situations behind these surface things go unnoted? Why? Because it is easy that way, and because that is the way we have always done it. . . .

Look at what we do with speeches, for instance. Have you ever seen a news story which really reflected the content and intent of a speech? The reporter, doing as we have taught him, looks for one startling or contentious or silly

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statement, and there is his lead. He backs it up with one or two direct or indirect quotes, adds a couple of paragraphs as background and there's your story.

Look at what we did with the Panther story. Is it not a mortifying reproach to our professionalism that we had to wait for a graduate student writing in "The New Yorker" magazine to report the facts behind the vendetta myth that we ourselves propagated?

I know there are those who argue that our bad performance in this instance reflected something more than laziness and gullibility. Personally, I doubt it. I know that I, as one editor, didn't want to believe that 28 Black Panthers had been murdered by the police. But I let our newspaper keep repeating that Garry . . . said it was so.

[An article in "The New Yorker" by Edward J. Epstein in the issue dated Feb. 13, 1971, disputed a widely published claim by Charles R. Garry, a Black Panther lawyer, that police murdered 28 Panthers as part of a nationwide "genocide" scheme. The author concluded there were only two cases "in which Black Panthers were killed by policemen whose lives were not being directly threatened by those men."]

Look at our basic concept of news. . . . There is no story in a speech or a

press conference or what have you unless it involves conflict or surprise. Before a situation is worthy of our attention, it must burst to the surface in some disruptive, exceptional—and hence newsworthy event. Even when we know what is happening under the surface, we are forever waiting for a traditional news peg to hang the story on. . . . No wonder the readers constantly feel that events are overwhelming them unawares.

I think the worst of our lazy and superficial performance today is that we of the press are allowing ourselves to be manipulated by various interests—some for change and some against it, some powerfully in support of the system, some destructively seeking to tear it down—all clever in the business of playing on our weaknesses, our laziness, our superficiality, our gullibility. No doubt the Pentagon easily makes suckers of the press—but no more easily than the New Left does.

We are, it seems to me, tragically failing to develop for our readers any meaningful perspective on the activities of such special pleaders.

It is wrong for us to approve a top head on page one for a black leader who wants to kill whitey, while we relegate to page B21—if we print it at all—a story about the black who has been working for 15 years, quietly and effectively, to persuade the white establishment to help abolish the ghetto. It is wrong for us, with regard to one Cabinet wife who persists in the illusion she is Marie Antoinette, to give her more space than we give to the combined constructive efforts of all the other women connected with the Administration.

We cannot keep saying that we are merely spectators of the unfolding scene, charged with transmitting it to the public. We are not just spectators. We are the people who must, whether we like it or not, decide what is worthy of public attention and who must determine the way it is to be presented. . . .

We must find new techniques for this honorable craft—techniques which will permit us to convey the truest picture we can develop as to what transpires. . . . We must grow up, must change, because our readers are changing and growing up. They are demanding more of us now, and they are entitled to more from us than they are getting.

SURPRISE



Nearly 200 members of the Department and friends helped stage a surprise dinner for Lieutenant Colonel Donald T. Shanahan at the Northpoint Gardens on April 19th.

Special arrangements were made to keep the affair a secret to the last possible moment. All of the guests arrived early and Chief Shanahan was brought to Northpoint Gardens by Deputy Commissioner Frank J. Battaglia who had told him that he was to attend another type of affair.

To all present the surprise was obvious. When everyone settled down, a dinner was served and several speakers including Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau and toastmaster Delegate Gerald Curran congratulated Lt. Col. Shanahan on his recent appointment as Chief of the Patrol Division.

Guests at the Head Table included Commissioner Pomerleau; Deputy Commissioners Battaglia, Keyes and Murdy; Chief duBois; Delegate Curran; Lt. Col. Shanahan's son Kevin; Retired Deputy Commissioner Wade Poole; and Retired Major Julian I. Forrest.

Chief Shanahan received two mementos of the occasion, a watch and a mariner's clock.



Professional Post Scripts

Dear Commissioner Pomerleau:

Attached is a copy of a letter I received recently from Captain Edgar D. Mitchell, the Astronaut who visited our City in order to attend the City of Champions celebration.

I draw your particular attention to the third paragraph, which I am sure you and your men will most appreciate, and of which you should be justifiably proud.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. D'Alesandro, III
Mayor

Dear Tommy:

May I first say thanks for your warm and gracious hospitality during my visit to Baltimore. It certainly made an otherwise official visit into a warm experience.

I certainly enjoyed meeting Marge and the children Tuesday evening. The tour of the new schools was especially great. They are a tribute to good planning and skillful execution.

Mayor D'Alesandro, I would like to commend Detective Couch and Officer Helm for their courteous, unobtrusive, but professional handling of my visit. I sincerely appreciate their efforts.

It is my sincere hope that the products, techniques and knowledge which have been produced by the efforts to explore space can be directly and quickly brought to bear on the problems of this nation, especially the cities, which as we discussed need solutions badly. If we in NASA, or if I personally can assist you in any way with your programs please allow us the privilege of contributing.

With warmest regards,

Edgar D. Mitchell

Captain, USN

NASA Astronaut

OFFICER HONORED

Patrolman Elwood C. Davenport of the Tactical Section, is this year's winner of the Oscar Wilson Hoar Award. The presentation, by Mr. George J. Adelhardt, Jr., chairman of the Red Cross Small Craft Safety Programs, was made at the 30th Annual Red Cross Safety Programs Recognition Dinner recently held at Eudowood Gardens. Officer Davenport has, during the past year, taught canoeing courses, given numerous talks and demonstrations, acted as a staff member at the Annual Fort Ritchie Safety Clinic and served on the faculty of a five day small craft school in Camp Letts near Annapolis, Maryland.



Officer Davenport, left, as he accepted the Oscar Wilson Hoar Award from Mr. Adelhardt, right.



NASA Astronaut Edgar Mitchell confers with Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau during their April 7 meeting.

Mother's Day Mass

Baltimore Police Officers, in 1926, gathered for the first Mother's Day Mass formally participated in by members of the Department. The purpose then was to give special remembrance to the mothers and wives of members of the Department. That hasn't changed in the years which have followed.

Members of the Department, who are interested in participating, are to meet at Hamilton and Mulberry Streets, Sunday May 9, at 7:45 a.m. for the traditional formation. His Eminence, Lawrence Cardinal Shehan, Archbishop of Baltimore will celebrate the Mass at 8:15 a.m.

Safety City Reopened

On May 10, 1971, Safety City East, located in the 4900 block of Eastern Avenue, on the grounds of City Hospital and Safety City West, located in Druid Hill Park, will be opened for "Walk Thru" tours from 8 A.M. to 4 P.M. for students in the Baltimore Public and Parochial Elementary Schools ages 5 to 8 years.

Students participating in this program will receive a button stating, "I visited Safety City". Due to prior reservations, the "Walk Thru" tours at both cities are booked to full capacity for the period of May 10, 1971 to June 18, 1971. However, reservations may be made at either City after May 10, 1971 for the summer sessions, starting after the closing of the elementary schools; for children ages 5 to 8 years. The summer sessions consist of two consecutive days of two hours per day, (total four hours). In this course the children will be conducted through Safety City, and shown various traffic hazards and instructed on how to practice Pedestrian Safety. At the completion of this four hour course, the child will receive a "Safety City Citizen" certificate and a button stating, "Safety City Citizen".

Safety Cities during the summer months will be open 8 A.M. to 4 P.M., Monday through Friday.

NEWS IN BRIEF

FISCAL AFFAIRS DIVISION — Members of this Division express sincere sympathy to Anne M. Daniel, Principal Clerk-Stenographer, on the recent loss of her mother.

PERSONNEL DIVISION — Recruitment — Congratulations to Patrolman Charles M. Markiewicz who was elected president of the Hillcrest Elementary School PTA, Catonsville.

CENTRAL DISTRICT — The Central Aces (Bowling Team) won the Red Division of the Police Bowling League for the second year in a row. Members of the Team are Sergeant William Beran, Detective Rod Brander, and Patrolmen John Janiszewski, James Jefferson, Frank Wrzosek, Marshall Davis and Bob Leutbecker.

INSPECTIONAL SERVICES DIVISION — Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Lieutenant Lyman W. Gonce, who recently underwent surgery at Greater Baltimore Medical Center.

Congratulations to Detective Terry Josephson on his selection as a big brother with the Jewish Big Brother League of Baltimore. His first "Little Brother" is a ten year old fatherless child.

A speedy recuperation period is wished to Mrs. William L. Rawlings, Sr., mother of Lieutenant William L. Rawlings, Jr., of this Division, who sustained an injury as a result of a fall.

TRAFFIC DIVISION — Meter Maids — Congratulations to Sheila McAbee, Shirley Kurtz and Annie George who celebrated their Tenth Anniversary as Meter Maids on April 20.

Congratulations to Captain George Klander who celebrated his Thirty-Third Anniversary with the Department on April 22.

Officer V. Mace Newcomb (Whitey) of the Intersection Unit of this Division retired April 28. We wish Officer Newcomb a long and happy retirement.

The best of every thing is wished to Lieutenant James P. Minderlein of the Administration Unit of this Division, who retires as of May 5. We hope you have a long happy retirement, Lieutenant.

Congratulations to Officer Martin J. Pettersen, Traffic Enforcement Section and his wife, Linda, on the

birth of their son, Michael Lee. Little "Mike" was born April 22 and weighed 7 lbs. 2 oz.

Congratulations to the "New Grandpop" — Colonel William Armstrong. Colonel Armstrong became a "Grandfather" on April 27. The grandson, "KEVIN CARL" weighed 8 lbs. 10 oz.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Narcotic Unit — Detective Jerome Johnson, returning from a trip to Florida, encountered a flat tire on his travel trailer, which he was towing. Detective Johnson of the "NARCOTIC UNIT", after repairing the flat, discovered same was caused by a "HYPODERMIC NEEDLE".

Detective Thomas D. Nevin, Property Crimes Section, and his wife, Linda are the proud parents of a son, Thomas D., Jr., who was born April 9 and weighed 5 lbs. 4 oz. Mrs. Ruth Nevin, Custodial Worker, is a very proud grandmother.

Retirements

MOORE, James W., Sergeant, Personnel Division, Casual Section, May 6.

KUEHN, William H., Patrolman, Personnel Division, Casual Section, April 29.

STEIN, Edwin R., Patrolman, Tactical Section, April 29.

NEWCOMB, Vivian M., Patrolman, Traffic Division, April 29.

SIMONSEN, Charles R., Patrolman, Criminal Investigation Division, April 30.

McKINNEY, Carl D., Patrolman, Personnel Division, Casual Section, May 6.

SCHAMMA, James E., Patrolman Personnel Division, Casual Section, May 6.

STABB, Henry L., Patrolman, Central Records Division, May 6.



(From Left) Captain Henry J. Deasel and Major George C. Schnabel preside at a retirement ceremony for Sergeant John L. Palmere of the Northeastern District, April 27.

Winter Indoor Pistol League

The Baltimore Police Pistol Team No. 1 defeated the Maryland State Police Pistol Team No. 1 when they virtually wrapped up the title of the B & O Winter Indoor Pistol League. The City Team with a total of 1143 out of 1200 to the Maryland Team with a total of 1138. Members of the City Team, McCarthy, 284; Sobolewski, 284; Campbell, 294 and Deanes, 288. Maryland's Team, McDonald, 284; Snyder, 278; Simpson, 290 and Upperco, 285.

In Memoriam

UTZ, EMMA L., wife of retired Sergeant Casper Utz, formerly of Eastern District, April 12.

MASTERVICH, JUSTINE, mother of Mrs. Anne Daniel, Fiscal Affairs Division, April 19.

EDMONDS, WILLIE HENRY, father of Patrolman James A. Edmonds, Central District, April 19.

ALLPORT, ROBERT M., father of Patrolman David Allport, Southeastern District, April 20.

HUMPHRIES, CLARENCE, step-father of Patrolman John Herndon, Tactical Section, April 21.

SCHAMMA, AGNES R., mother of Patrolman James E. Schamma, Casual Section, detailed Central District, April 19.

KAPLAN, HENRY, father of Patrolman Harry J. Kaplan, Property Division, April 24.

SINGLETON, REVEREND ARTHUR, step-father of Patrolman Warren Moyd, Southeastern District, April 24.

duBOIS, AMELIA, sister of Lieutenant Colonel Maurice D. duBois, Chief of Criminal Investigation Division, April 24.

Final Roll Call

MACHOVEC, FRANK J., Retired Sergeant from Southwestern District, April 26.

The Department extends its deepest sympathy to the family and loved ones of those recently deceased.



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THREE LEGISLATIVE ENACTMENTS WILL BENEFIT POLICE DEPARTMENT

The 1970 session of the Maryland General Assembly passed several bills which have been signed into law by Governor Marvin Mandel. Three of these measures directly affect members of the Baltimore Police Department.

House Bill No. 487, is printed in its entirety along with excerpts of Senate Bills 181 and 185.

House Bill No. 487.

AN ACT to add new Section 59A-1 to Article 41 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 REPLACEMENT VOLUME), title "Governor—Executive and Administrative Departments," subtitle "1. The Executive Department," subheading "Governor," to follow immediately after Section 59A thereof, to provide a cash benefit to the surviving family of a law enforcement officer who is killed in the line of duty.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That new Section 59A-1 be and it is hereby added to Article 41 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 REPLACEMENT VOLUME), title "Governor—Executive and Administrative Departments," subtitle "1. The Executive Department," subheading "Governor," to follow immediately after Section 59A thereof, and to read as follows:* 59A-1.

(a) *THE SUM OF FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$15,000.00) LESS ANY LUMP SUM DEATH BENEFIT, EXCLUSIVE OF ANY RETURN OF CONTRIBUTIONS, PAYABLE BY THE STATE OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION. Shall be paid to the surviving spouse or children of any law enforcement officer of the State or of any political subdivision of the State who is killed in the performance of his duties. THIS SUM SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO ANY WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BENEFITS.*

(b) *The payments hereinabove provided for shall be made out of funds which the Governor may appropriate for that purpose in the State budget.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1971.*

Senate Bill No. 185 — PROBATIONARY PERIODS

(1) All appointments to the Department at the entrance level of civilian employees shall, during the first year of service, be known and regarded as probationary. If, at any time during the probationary period, the services of such appointees are not satisfactory to the Commissioner, or if such appointees are not certified by the police physician as physically qualified to continue to discharge their duties, such

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MOTHER'S DAY OBSERVANCE

The following remarks were delivered by His Eminence, Lawrence Cardinal Shehan, at the Annual Mother's Day Mass Sponsored by The Baltimore Police Department Sunday, May 16.

"I am happy once again to be able to offer this traditional Forty-fifth Annual Mother's Day Mass for the officers and staff of the Baltimore City Police Department.

"Last year upon this occasion, I addressed myself to the ever-increasing challenge which the law enforcement officer was required to face in his day-to-day duties.

"That our Police Department, its officers and men have responded to that challenge is, I believe, more than obvious from the events of the past year. In the face of so many vexing situations, the Department has enforced the law in the City of Baltimore in a fair and impartial manner. I think it is fair to say that the degree of public order and the lack of significant large-scale outbursts on the part of our citizenry are proof that the Baltimore City Police Department continues to improve and adapt itself to the constant demands and requirements of urban living.

"At the same time, from an examination of the figures which are published from time to time with respect to changes in the rate of crime, I am pleased to see that Baltimore has a very favorable record in diminishing rates of crime in many sensitive and significant areas. Not only has the Department responded to the human factors which are so complex, but at the same time, investigative techniques have improved to the point where the knowledge of the likelihood

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Safety Patrol

In an April Memorial Stadium observance two Baltimore Safety Patrol members were named "Honorary Chiefs of Police" for their outstanding contributions during 1970.

The Program was sponsored by the Maryland Traffic Safety Commission and included every county and municipal jurisdiction within the State of Maryland. Boys and girls designated from respective areas of the State were accompanied to the affair by law enforcement officers.

After a luncheon in the cafeteria of Eastern High School, the youngsters were treated to a baseball game between the Detroit Tigers and the World Champion Baltimore ORIOLES.

Honored from Baltimore were Safety Patrolman Kenneth Arnel Shoats of Public School 242 and Charles Samuel McCready of Public School 229.

Young Shoats was selected after he had pulled two young school children from the path of an on coming vehicle last October 6th.

Charles McCready was honored for his diligent and persevering efforts assisting members of the Department's Traffic Safety Education Unit in the construction and maintenance of Safety City East throughout the Summer of 1970.

In conjunction with the April observance, Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro has proclaimed May 22, 1971 as "Safety Patrol Day" in Baltimore, an occasion that will also take place at Memorial Stadium. The two observances serve to illuminate the valuable contributions to school safety made daily by citizens of both City and State.

person's employment may, in the discretion of the Commissioner, at any time within the one-year period, be forthwith terminated without the necessity for a hearing, and when so terminated such appointee shall cease to be a member of the Department.

(2) All appointments of police officers to the Department shall, during the first year of service following completion of entrance level training, be known and regarded as probationary. If, at any time during the probationary period, the services of such appointees are NOT SATISFACTORY TO THE COMMISSIONER OR IF SUCH APPOINTEES ARE not certified by the police physician as physically qualified to continue to discharge their duties, such person's employment may, in the discretion of the Commissioner, at any time within a one-year period, be forthwith terminated without the necessity for a hearing, and when so terminated such appointee shall cease to be a member of the Department.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1971.

Senate Bill No. 181 — DEATH RELIEF FUND

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(b) The said benefit shall be paid only to the following, and in the following order: to the decedent's widow or widower, if any, and if there is no widow or widower, to the decedent's minor children, if any, in equal shares; and if there is no widow or widower or minor children, to the decedent's dependent parents, if any, in equal shares; and if there is no widow, widower, minor children, or dependent parents, then to any other dependents or the estate of the decedent (and in such amounts up to the maximum benefit, and in such proportions) as the trustees in their discretion determine. Payments due a minor shall be made to the minor's legal guardian, if any, in this State, and if none, to such person or persons on behalf of the minor at such times and amounts, and subject to such conditions, as the board of trustees may determine. Eligibility shall not be affected by whether the decedent has paid into the fund.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1971.

CRIME STATISTICS

STATISTICAL REPORT

Reports of Index Crime in Baltimore City Reflect:

18.9% Decrease for Month of April, 1971

10.8% Decrease for Year to date

SUMMARIZATION OF INDEX CRIMES

	MONTH OF APRIL		% OF CHANGE	FIRST 4 MONTHS		% OF CHANGE
	1971	1970		1971	1970	
MURDER	26	24	+ 8.3%	87	71	+22.5%
FORCIBLE RAPE	31	41	-24.4%	145	160	- 9.4%
ROBBERY	647	790	-18.1%	2704	3126	-13.5%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	496	521	- 4.8%	1886	2057	- 8.3%
BURGLARY	1255	1415	-11.3%	5622	5702	- 1.4%
LARCENY \$50 & OVER	754	1068	-29.4%	3216	4047	-20.5%
AUTO THEFT	620	862	-28.1%	2914	3410	-14.5%

Deputy Battaglia Honored

Deputy Commissioner Frank J. Battaglia received the 1970 Ameritan Award at a testimonial dinner Sunday, May 16, at Martin's West. The Award was made by the Grand Lodge of the Order Sons of Italy of Maryland.

The engraved plaque was presented to Deputy Commissioner Battaglia by the Grand Venerable of the Lodges, Arnold Broccolino. The Ameritan Award is given in recognition of achievements to the Italian American who has contributed significantly to the Community in general, with special emphasis on those of Italian American descent.

In attendance at the gala affair at Martin's West were Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro III, Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, Judge Anselm Sodaro and hundreds of friends and members of the Department.



Some previous recipients of the Ameritan Award include: Secretary of Transportation John A. Volpe, former Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro, Jr., Mayor D'Alesandro III, Judge Sodaro, Judge Joseph Broccolino, Jr., the late Doctor Frank Marino, Mr. Alan Ameche and Mr. Gino Marchetti.

Deputy Commissioner Battaglia is the 16th Italian American to receive the Award from the Grand Lodge of the Order Sons of Italy of Maryland.

MOTHER'S DAY

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of apprehension and conviction on the part of would-be wrongdoers diminishes the attractiveness of crime.

"I applaud the efforts of the Department's administrative and management personnel in seeking to obtain the latest in equipment. Particularly the continuing efforts to improve communications between the police officers in the field not only contributes to more effective police work but, at the same time, provides an increased measure of security for the officer who is engaged alone in the pursuit of his duties.

"I take this opportunity to congratulate and encourage the men of the Department who are engaged in extra-curricular activities to improve the recreational and social life of the young people with whom they have interested themselves. At a time, when it has become popular to apply unfair and insulting terminology to the police generally, the human side of the police officer's concern does much to dispel the unfortunate and uncalled for criticisms and condemnations which are heard as a matter of course and habit from those who deal in generalized denunciations.

"I do not, of course, wish to give the impression that the Baltimore City Police Department is perfect. All things human are imperfect, and every police department is something very human. In the nature of things, to keep the record of a department untarnished requires constant vigilance and effort. Moreover, especially in these days, any organization which represents authority is almost bound to be the object of criticism. In the face of all this, Baltimore, especially in recent years, has the right to be proud of the record of its Police Department.

"I can only urge you, the members of our Police Department, to continue with the fervor and zeal which I know must impel you. I congratulate you once again for your professional conduct and for your ability to do the job and do it well. As always, the citizens of Baltimore remain deeply in your debt, and I take this opportunity to express on their behalf the continuing and increasing sense of gratitude which we all feel."

Lieutenant Minderlein Retires

On Thursday, May 6 a retirement party was held in the Traffic Roll Call Room in honor of Lieutenant James P. Minderlein of the Traffic Division. Friends and well-wishers in attendance included Lieutenant Colonel William Armstrong, Chief of Traffic and Mr. Paul Burke, Executive Director of the Maryland Traffic Safety Commission.

Lieutenant Minderlein ended twenty-six years of police service among his many friends and co-workers. During his career he has worked in the Headquarters, Northern and Central Districts and his final assignment, within the Traffic Division.

With no specific retirement plans, Lieutenant Minderlein will undoubtedly take life easy for awhile in his Northeastern Baltimore home. The best wishes of the Department are with him during his well deserved retirement years.

Professional Post Scripts

Dear Commissioner Pomerleau:

I have been retained to represent Mr. Frank Warren Whitby, Jr. regarding injuries sustained in an accident on April 24, 1971, at 1:10 P. M. Briefly, Mr. Whitby was driving a motorcycle north on Loch Raven Drive, near Dulaney Valley Road in Baltimore County, when another vehicle forced him off of the road, seriously injuring him. The other vehicle left the scene of the accident. My client advises me that he was given assistance at the scene by two other motorcyclists who gave him first aid until the arrival of a Baltimore County Police car, which was operated by Officer William P. Kehne. The two other motorcyclists did not give their names to Mr. Whitby, but did advise him that they were off-duty Baltimore City Policemen.

Therefore, any assistance that you can give me in identifying these parties would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,
Norman F. Summers

NEWS IN BRIEF

CENTRAL DISTRICT — Patrolman Robert Ritter and his wife, Marilee are the proud parents of a baby girl, Monica Elizabeth, born March 25 and weighed 8 lbs. — Congratulations.

YOUTH DIVISION — Members of this Division extend a warm welcome to Clerk Mary B. Simmons, recently assigned to the Youth Division.

Congratulations to Matron Alma Poole, Policewoman Evelyn Morse and Patrolman Daniel Carroll on their recent retirements. "Best of Luck" to each of you.

Congratulations to Frederick E. Welk, Sr., Elm Avenue, recently elevated to **EAGLE SCOUT**. "FRED" was recently honored at the Annual Scout Recognition Dinner at the Hunt Valley Inn, Cockeysville, Maryland. He is a member of the Police Scout Troop #407, and is now serving as Assistant Scoutmaster.

INTERNAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Welcome home to Sp. 4 Robert Foley, husband of Linda Foley, Clerk of this Division, who recently returned from a tour of duty in Vietnam. Sp. 4 Foley will be state-side for about one month before returning to Vietnam for his second tour of duty. Silent prayers by members of this Division go with him for his safe return.

Congratulations to Sergeant William Gossman, on his recent promotion. The best of everything to Bill in his new assignment.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT — On May 10th the Northeastern J. D. Castoff's won the Bowling League Championship for the Blue Division, and will meet the Central Aces for the Playoff Championship. The members of the Northeastern Champions are: Patrolmen Gerald Heid, Raymond Hibner, Joseph Funk, Donald Kent and "Lanky" Richard Clabaugh. The members of the District extends congratulations to these men and success in the playoff for the championship. An inquiry regarding the name, "J. D. Castoffs" resulted that Patrolman Jimmy Davis cast them from his team, so that he could have a winning team. What happened, Jim?

TACTICAL SECTION — Congratulations to Patrolman Harry "Harvey"

Koffenberger, Sr., and the former Miss Virginia Cockerill on their marriage which took place May 1st. Mr. & Mrs. Koffenberger, Sr. spent their honeymoon in sunny Florida.

PROPERTY DIVISION — Lynne Cockerill, daughter of Captain James J. Cockerill, and a Junior at Seton High School won the State Wide Shorthand I Tournament which was held May 1st, at Frederick, Maryland. Miss Cockerill represented the Baltimore area High Schools after having placed first in the local regional contests.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Members of this District express sincere sympathy to Patrolman David Allport on the recent loss of his father.

Congratulations are extended to Patrolman Joseph Darchicourt and Miss Catherine Joan Baer who were married on April 24th.

Congratulations to Patrolman Franklin Hubbard, Jr., and Miss Barbara Wolf on their marriage which also took place on April 24th.

Best wishes for a "Happy Retirement" to Patrolman Paul Clark, who, after 30 years service, retired on April 28th.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT — Best Wishes from this District to Lieutenant Leo Matarazza on his retirement which became effective April 1st. Lieutenant Matarazza was honored with a party which was attended by Mrs. Matarazza and their two daughters. He was presented with a gold watch, a cake and all the trimmings. He was also given a ceramic ashtray with a replica of his badge.

Welcome Aboard to Captain Frank J. Serra and Chief Clerk, Mrs. Ruby Warner on their recent promotions and assignments; also Welcome Aboard to Lieutenant Robert H. Jenkins, Clerk Francine Johnson and Clerk Donna Alford. Best of Luck to Lieutenant Leslie J. Stickles, Patrolman Melvin Dickerson and Clerk Mary Simmons on their new assignments.

Welcome Back to Sergeant Robert Holland who has returned from a lengthy medical leave.

WESTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman John Sanders and his wife, Sharon, on the birth of their son, Anthony Joseph, born April 25th and weighed 7lbs. 10 oz.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS DIVISION

— Major William A. Harris has returned to duty and wishes to express his deep appreciation for the many cards, telephone calls, flowers and other gifts he received during his illness.

EASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Lieutenant Robert Brown and his wife, Joan on the birth of a baby girl, Jennifer, born May 7 and weighing 7 lbs. 8 oz.

Retirements

MINDERLEIN, James P., Lieutenant, Traffic Division, May 6.

MANUEL, Carlton H., Lieutenant, Criminal Investigation Division, May 13.

MILLER, James O., Jr., Patrolman, Personal Division, Casual Section, May 6.

LONG, Henry F., Patrolman, Southeastern District, May 13.

PORPORA, John J., Patrolman, Tactical Section, May 13.

In Memoriam

CLARK, DELLA F., mother of Sergeant Thomas Black, Central Records Division, May 1.

PRICE, RHODA, sister of Patrolman Doy Prunty, Northern District, May 5.

GREELEY, MARY B., step-mother of Mrs. Marian Greeley Roth, Clerk I, Property Division, May 6.

SUTTON, GEORGE DOBBIN, father of Lieutenant Donald Sutton, Southern District, May 6.

KAVANAUGH, JOHN C., brother of Patrolman Robert Kavanaugh, Northwestern District, May 9.

Final Roll Call

CARNEY, JOSEPH M., retired Sergeant from Traffic Division, May 1.

MONAGHAN, WILLIAM F., retired Patrolman from Traffic Division, May 2.

WILLIAMS, SAMUEL, retired Patrolman from Northern District, May 6.

FLANIGAN, DR. EDWARD A., JR., Police Physician, Medical District #1, May 11.

The Department extends its deepest sympathy to the family and loved ones of those recently deceased.



BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT

NEWSLETTER

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June 2, 1971

Fighting Crime From 500 Feet

It was a Saturday afternoon. The two youthful burglars had managed to force their way into a window of a Baltimore City Junior High School. The simplest part lay before them, to exit the building with their stolen property; undetected.

But on that particular Saturday something went wrong. Upon leaving the school, the youths found themselves between converging patrol cars. In panic, each fled a different direction with Tactical and District officers close behind. After a time, the burglars outdistanced the Police Officers. Within a few minutes both were safely out of the area.

Realizing that their description would be broadcast over the Police radio, both boys shed their distinctively colored jackets, then mingled in a group of young people blocks away from the location of the burglary. Both were confident of their anonymity.

Their confidence was of short duration. Without hesitation two Officers approached the standing group, immediately identified the suspects and took them into custody. It was not guesswork on the part of the arresting Officers. Though they could not have observed the escape or its destination, a helicopter hovering five hundred feet above the scene had distinctly observed the entire incident and relayed the information to ground units.

The incident illuminates the progress made by the Helicopter Unit in its Aerial Patrol procedures. The following article is a commentary on that progress.

From 500 feet, Baltimore's appearance is radically altered and even fundamental considerations such as direction and location require a new, basic attention to the city's landmarks. Rows of homes stretch seemingly to the horizon, hampering instant identification of streets and businesses.

To overcome the difficulty, personnel of the Helicopter Unit must constantly use Baltimore's geographic layout as references for location. The central business district, harbor, numerous parks and major arteries provide a few of the important landmarks necessary for location identification.

The identification itself plays a crucial role, one that must be efficiently performed if the use of Helicopters is to be successful. The Department's "Fox-trot" Units respond to all calls broadcast as in progress. Maximum response time from anywhere in the city is only



slightly more than three minutes. With effective use of standard reference points, specific locations can be found with minimal difficulty.

Those locations not readily apparent are immediately referred to the Communications Division. Through a grid coordinate system and excellent street guides, the Aerial Observers can receive the relayed information almost immediately.

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Graduation Ceremony

Forty-four Baltimore Probationary Policemen graduated from the Department's Education and Training Division on Friday May 28, 1971. Class 71-1 was the first to undergo the new 16-week training program.

The Certificates of Graduation were presented by Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau and the Honorable George Beall, United States Attorney for the District of Maryland.

The Commissioner, Mr. Beall, and Deputy Commissioners Frank J. Battaglia, Thomas J. Keyes and Ralph G. Murdy also congratulated 13 Civilians, 177 Baltimore Police Officers and 1 Baltimore County Police Officer for meritorious service.

In his address to the new graduates Mr. Beall pointed out some of the common goals of both local and Federal law enforcement officers. Prime among them, he said, was the concern with professionalism and the understanding exhibited by law enforcement officers for the job at hand.

Mr. Beall then reviewed Federal participation in local law enforcement efforts. He outlined what federal programs have been and will be made available to local law enforcement agencies.

Federal priorities in law enforcement were also listed. Targets of Federal attention are and will continue to be crime prevention, an attack on organized crime, narcotics, improvements to law enforcement communications systems and improvements in technical areas such as laboratory facilities and the mobility of the police officer. These goals, of course are shared by the Baltimore Police Department and progressive law enforcement agencies throughout the nation.



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500 Feet

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Once over the sight it is difficult for Aerial Observers to miss much—even at night. Felons who have tried changing clothes, losing themselves in crowds or hiding beneath porches or shrubbery have inadvertently borne witness to the visual perception of the Helicopter Unit's Aerial Observers. As always, however a prompt and accurate description of the suspect is a necessary prerequisite to success.



Cooperation is the key word. Assigned as they are to the Crime Analysis Section of the Planning and Research Division, men of the Helicopter Unit have worked ceaselessly to develop, initiate and refine procedures for joint air-ground action. They are aided, in part, by other municipalities that have adopted the helicopter as a crime-fighting tool. But since the problems faced by widely separated jurisdictions can differ widely, the bulk of responsibility

for formulating meaningful procedures must rest with the Baltimore Police Department.

To facilitate the process at present, the Hughes 300-C craft are undergoing operational trials while simultaneously flying regularly scheduled patrol. The experiences will serve as the foundation for much of the new procedures.

Neither of the smaller craft has yet been equipped with police radios. Using hand-held walkie-talkies, however, the Unit's Aerial Observers have assisted ground Patrol Units in several arrests including burglaries, narcotics offenses an assault and robbery and assaults on Police Officers. During the weekend of May 23rd eight such arrests were made with direct assistance from the Helicopter Unit personnel, bringing to twenty-seven the total number of arrests made with Helicopter Unit assistance since early February.

The arrests themselves are significant in several respects. They have served to illuminate the inherent value of helicopter use, particularly in light of the fact that the Unit is not fully operational, and that much of its procedures are still being implemented. More importantly, the majority of assists rendered in arrest situations took place after the subjects had effected their escapes from the general vicinity of the crime. It is readily apparent that the suspects might have successfully eluded ground units had not the Helicopters been available to detect and broadcast the direction of escape.

Besides fighting crime, the Helicopters have responded to situations necessitating crowd control, employing both the public address systems and trilling sirens. The hovering craft have elicited a definite psychological deterrent to unruly groups, and large gatherings have been dispersed with no injuries.

The Helicopter Unit's schedule is a busy one. Presently they fly three overlapping shifts. At least one craft is over the city throughout the day and much of the night. In addition Officer-in-Charge, Regis Raffensberger attends weekly In-Service Training classes at the Gunpowder Range to familiarize all

Departmental members with the versatility and value of the helicopters in police work.

The weekly session is valuable in several ways. It acquaints Departmental personnel with new systems that will be implemented for use in conjunction with ground units. Sergeant Raffensberger also touches upon those procedures being given consideration, in the logical belief that the combined experience of the assembled officers will con-



tribute much to the success of the new systems. He emphasizes, above all, the helicopters will be used as a supportive unit, specifically to assist and help protect ground units, and that cooperation is needed to make that ultimate function a reality.

Much, indeed, has been accomplished since the advent of helicopter use in Baltimore. Air priority systems have been originated to minimize the danger



of mid-air collisions over the city. Detailed contingency studies were carried out, including the selection of emergency landing sites throughout the city. Presently, Unit personnel, in cooperation with the Planning and Research Division, are preparing a manual on helicopter procedures expressly for crime fighting, and a General Order delineating these new procedures to every member of the Department. Both should appear within three to six months.

Professional Post Scripts

Flower Mart

Dear Commissioner Pomerleau:

"Manly deeds", quoting from our state's slogan, were certainly exemplified by every member of your Department who served at the 59th Flower Mart on Wednesday, May 12th. To complete the quote "womanly words", we are at a complete loss for words to adequately express our deep feeling of admiration and gratitude for a job superbly done.

We wish it were possible for each Flower Mart participant to write a personal letter to every member of your Department who proved himself so admirably to be "Baltimore finest". However, since this is not possible, we hope this humble "thank you" may be extended to ALL who performed so well.

We do deeply regret the many problems of the day for, as you know, Flower Mart was designed to be a thing of beauty.

Sincerely,
Mrs. James J. McIntyre
Flower Mart Chairman

Today at noon I walked over to the Flower Mart in the Charles Center Plaza and watched one of the most disgusting spectacles it has ever been my misfortune to encounter. The place was jammed full, and the great majority seemed to be . . . those . . . anticipating trouble — hoping trouble would start and doing everything they could to provoke trouble.

For about 30 minutes I stood on the balcony overlooking the Plaza and watched the mass of people below. I was amazed, and tremendously proud, of the restraint and excellent discipline exhibited by every one of the apparently several hundred police officers patrolling the area. In spite of endless provocations, they maintained their calm and many of them even showed a sense of humor — something I know would have been impossible for me had I been in their place.

In my estimation, the Baltimore police force is the finest collection of police of-

ficers in the nation. They are a great credit to our city.

My heartiest congratulations to you, personally, and to every officer on your force.

Cordially,
Herbert G. Bailey, Jr.
Exec. Vice President
Chamber of Commerce



Major Wilbur C. Miller comforts young girl injured at the mart.

I wish to commend you and the members of your department for the restraint exercised and the manner in which they handled themselves during the recent disturbances at the Flower Mart.

Very truly yours,
Arthur G. Murphy, Sr.
Special Assistant, Executive
Dept., State of Maryland

'Rap' Sessions Proposed

A series of "rap" sessions among Departmental personnel has been proposed by Captain William Rochford of the Planning and Research Division. The idea is to encourage participation by members who are interested in the planning, research and development of new and better ideas in the area of Law Enforcement.

The extra-curricular "rap" sessions will be strictly informal and will be held in the Management Section of the Planning and Research Division. A variety of brochures, catalogues and periodicals which are enforcement oriented will be made available.

Anyone wishing more information should contact Captain Rochford at extension 481.

Retirements

URSPRUCH, John A., Lieutenant, Tactical Section, June 2.
YOUNGER, John G., Jr., Lieutenant, Tactical Section, June 3.
AKONOM, Frank A., Lieutenant, Northeastern District, May 26.
JOHNSON, Robert E., Sergeant, Central District, May 21.
MINA, Walter R., Jr., Sergeant, Tactical Section, June 3.
LAMON, Robert E., Patrolman, Traffic Division, May 21.
STEVENSON, James E., Patrolman, Traffic Division, June 10.
COLLINS, Thomas E., Patrolman, Southeastern District, May 27.

In Memoriam

TAYLOR, HENRIETTA, grandmother of Officer Warren Moyd, Southeastern District, May 11.
ROBINSON, LOUIS, brother of Lieutenant Bishop L. Robinson, Education and Training Division, May 11.
GILMORE, JOHN CARL, SR., father of Officer John Carl Gilmore, Jr., Education and Training Division, May 12.
RIVERS, TROY, father of Patrolman Vincent Rivers, Eastern District, May 15.
WILSON, FREDERICK C., SR., father of Patrolman Frederick C. Wilson, Jr., Inspectional Services Division, May 19.
PLACEK, THEODORE A., brother of Sergeant Joseph Placek, Western District, May 18.
LOWINSKI, JOHN, father of retired Sergeant Peter Lowinski, Western District and step-father of Patrolman Eugene J. Wysocki, Marine Unit, Tactical Section, May 24.

Final Roll Call

KIRCHER, ANTHONY, Retired Sergeant from Southeastern District, May 17.
MULLIGAN, CHARLES W., Detective, Criminal Investigation Division, Fugitive Squad, May 23.
HIGHTOWER, WILLIAM R., Retired Patrolman, from Eastern District, May 13.

The Department extends its deepest sympathy to the family and loved ones of those recently deceased.

NEWS IN BRIEF

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION —

Best Wishes to Lieutenant John G. Sauer and Sergeant Michael J. Burnham on their new assignments to Criminal Investigation and Central Records, respectively.

Congratulations to Sergeant Nelson A. Herrman on his recent promotion.

Congratulations to Patrolman John Bryl and his wife, Katherine who celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary, May 5th and to Clerk Dorothy Karmasek and her husband, Ernest, who celebrated their 30th Wedding Anniversary, May 10th.

Sergeant Glenn A. Egbert placed 3rd in the Maryland State Power Press Championships (light - heavyweight division) on April 24th.

This Division wishes to extend a warm welcome to Lieutenant Donald E. Woods and also wishes to extend our congratulations on his recent promotion.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Six Northeastern personnel were recently promoted to the position of Police Agent. The newly appointed agents are: James Durner, Stephen Archer, Guy Boston, Jr., Joseph Beling, Robert Raymann and William Lester. Congratulation to these Officers and best wishes on their continued success in their Law Enforcement Career.

Lieutenant Frank A. Akonom, recently retired after 29 years of Service, is wished the best. We hope his retirement years will be pleasant and enjoyable. His dedicated service to his fellow officers and to the community which he served is a credit to the Department.

Northeastern District Officers and Personnel extends its sincere sympathy to Officer Edmund Bossle, his wife and family, on the sudden loss of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Carolyn Ashby, May 26, as a result of a traffic accident.

PLANNING AND RESEARCH — Mrs. Audrey Hanna, of this Division, announces the graduation of her son, Martin J. Hanna, Jr., from the University of Baltimore, School of Liberal Arts, on Friday, June 4. Marty is a member of the Department and the son of the late Patrolman Martin

J. Hanna, Sr., retired from the Western District.

PROPERTY DIVISION — Patrolman Edward Hubbard and his wife, Franie, wish to announce the graduation of their son, Edward, from the University of Baltimore, School of Law.

Patrolman Dominic T. D'Adamo is now a patient at the Union Memorial Hospital, Room #428. All of Dominic's friends, along with the Property Division, wish him a very speedy recovery.

CENTRAL RECORDS DIVISION — We wish to announce the engagement of two of our members - Police Clerk Nancy Rutkowski and Cadet M. Richard Stuhmer. An August wedding is planned.

Congratulations to Sergeant Stelman Smith, now assigned to the Southeast District and Andrew Hevesy remaining in our Division, upon their recent promotion. Also, we wish to congratulate Police Clerks I upon their recent promotions: Mary E. Wieners, Larry Short, Clara Simmons, Carlos Knight, Susanne Lewis, Patricia Lane, Mary Thomas, Deborah Robinson and Larry Jones. Also, congratulations to Clerk Doris Hill promoted to Police Clerk II. Clerks Hill and Wieners topped the lists in their respective examinations.

CENTRAL DISTRICT — FLASH! ! !
— On May 20th, The Central District Day Shift defeated the C.I.D. Homicide Unit in a 9-5 Softball Duel. On the pitching arm of the illustrious Lieutenant Charles Kearney and the tremendous fielding and hitting of Officers Daniel Markowski, Marshall Davis and Albert Wilder (to name a few) the Central men out hit, out played and so to speak, "murdered" them. Central states they will play a rematch if a little more competition is shown. Better luck next time, "Rosie".

COMMUNITY RELATIONS DIVISION

— Hats off to Miss Shirley Hamlin, assigned to Communications Division, who recently volunteered to work with the Community Relations Division on her two week vacation, in order to receive more of an insight in the functions of our unit. We were very pleased to have such a dedicated young lady - please come back anytime.

INTERNAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Welcome aboard to Lieutenant Richard Connelly, newly assigned to this Division. And a fond farewell

to Lieutenant Edwin Cade and Police Clerk I Betty Bannon. After a long tenure with the Department, Betty is now assuming her main roll in life, which is that of a "housewife". Good luck Betty - we will all miss you.

Congratulations to Barbara Ohle, Clerk, of this Division, and Patrolman Gary Raub, Western District, on their forthcoming marriage which will take place on June 4. We wish Barbara and Gary a long and happy life together.

Congratulations to Detective Timothy Whitley on his recent change of classification to Police Agent. Best of luck in your future endeavors.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT — Sergeant Tony and Sergeant Polly Sarro became the proud parents of a 6 lb. 7 oz. daughter on May 13. Angela Marie was born at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

TACTICAL DIVISION — Vivian Roesch, Clerk, is a patient at University Hospital, Room #308. We all wish you a speedy recovery.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT — Welcome back to Lieutenant Rudolph C. Wilkins after a brief stay at the Lutheran Hospital.

The Northwest's first interdepartmental softball game is one worth talking about. The NW beat the WD - final score 18 - 13. Lieutenant Nevin hit two home runs, one with the bases loaded.

Officers Raymond Butler and Jesse Peaker are keeping busy on Saturdays with the Northwest Boys Club. On May 15, 65 boys were taken to an outing at Gwynn Oak Amusement Park. A special thanks to Mr. Nat Harris of the Northwest Democratic Club, who made it possible for this outing and also a treat the previous week to the Civic Center to a wrestling match. Sergeant William Clark, Community Relations, is right in there arranging for more treats to come, trying to keep the boys off the street.

Congratulations to Officer Herman Engers on the marriage of his daughter, Phyllis, to Sergeant David Setherley on May 15. Sergeant Setherley just returned from a two-year tour of duty in Vietnam. The newlyweds are spending their honeymoon in Mississippi.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Laura M. Ruhling, Custodial Worker and Thomas A. Metzger on their recent marriage.



BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT

NEWSLETTER

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Communications: An Evolution

The Baltimore Police Department's present day communications system has evolved gradually through a series of progressive changes. As late as 1966 the department's entire mobile patrol had received their calls for service from an antiquated horseshoe shaped arrangement which accommodated no more than five dispatchers at one time.

Unlike the present day system, the dispatchers both received incoming complaints and dispatched messages to the cars. The constantly increasing number of calls for police services, necessitated the changing of the system, which was accomplished in May of 1967. The improvements enabled the Communications Division to handle 1,213, 780 calls in 1970; 765,000 which were requests for police service.

This constant influx of calls from citizens and interdepartmental requests are handled by the 209 members of the

Communications Division. The division is responsible for transmitting messages to 896 mobile units and 435 portable units on 14 broadcast channels.

The incoming calls are now handled by civilian clerks who take requests by telephone, record them on I.B.M. cards and send them by conveyor belts to the respective dispatching areas.

The innovation of the automatic Call Distributing System in 1969, has greatly improved the efficiency of the system. This device automatically distributes the incoming calls to open lines in the complaint section. At the same time it insures an even distribution of calls to the complaint clerks, thus making sure a call is answered promptly. The system also allows a clerk who is uncertain of how to handle a complaint, the ability to transfer a call to a communications supervisor for assistance.

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IN MEMORIAM —

Officer
Carl Peterson Jr.



On Saturday, June 12, Officer Carl Peterson was shot and killed while working in the vicinity of Pearl and Lexington Streets. His assailant was apprehended within minutes, several blocks away.

Officer Peterson was a twenty year veteran of the Department, who had served in both the Criminal Investigation Division and Northern District, prior to being assigned to the Central District in November, 1959.

He is survived by his wife, and a step-daughter, Mrs. Susan Williams.

The Department extends its deepest sympathy to the family and loved ones of Officer Peterson. He gave his life in unselfish service to the community and to this Department, and he will be greatly missed by those members who knew and worked with him.





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This Scroll Commends

Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau

Deputy Commissioner

Frank J. Battaglia,

and the men of the Baltimore City Police Department for their courageous, dedicated, intelligent and coordinated efforts in the arrest on April 30th of three vandals, charged with desecrating public buildings in downtown Baltimore.

In recent years the men and officers of the Baltimore Police Department have attained a high standard of professionalism. This was never more evident than in the early morning hours of April 30th and is only one example of the dedicated service the Department has rendered and continues to render in protecting the safety of all the citizens and property of Baltimore.

Therefore, The Officers And Directors of The Charles Street Association, on behalf of the downtown business community, wish to express to the Baltimore City Police Department their sincere gratitude for a job well done.

Edward V. Fitzpatrick, President

Evolution

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Upon entry to the Department the complaint answering clerks are given an orientation period which consists of a verbal introduction to the system by a communications supervisor. The importance of the job is emphasized and the responsibilities that it entails. The new clerk is given a detailed manual of procedure that explains the proper way to deal with citizen complaints. Besides fundamental orientation, the clerk is gradually acclimated into the system, by sitting in with a more experienced clerk and observing the situations until a degree of competence is attained. The training does not end here, periodically, the clerks are given situation problems to deal with by the Communications Division supervisors as an In-Service training procedure.

The dispatching section is sub-divided into four dispatching areas, with a three position console at each area. After a complaint is received on an I.B.M. card by the dispatcher he gives the call to the appropriate cars, he then inserts the card in the card minder slot, which is part of the newest innovation by the Communications Division: the status display board. This is a large map mounted in front of the dispatcher in

each area. The map enables the dispatcher to see what the status of each car in his area is at a glance.

This is accomplished by inserting the I.B.M. card in the card minder slot, which lights the board one of three different colors, green for in service, red for out of service and amber for foot patrol.



The Old System

Prior to the introduction of the new board, the status of the cars was maintained by a lighted panel, operated by a series of toggle switches. This prevented the dispatcher from the immediate visual perception of the area. The new system has proved invaluable in quickly assigning cars for needed assistance with minimum distraction and practically non-existent opportunity for human error.

CRIME STATISTICS

STATISTICAL REPORT

Reports of Index Crime in Baltimore City Reflect:

20.7% decrease for Month of May, 1971

13.0% decrease for Year to date

SUMMARIZATION OF INDEX CRIMES

	MONTH OF MAY		% OF	FIRST 4 MONTHS		% OF
	1971	1970	CHANGE	1971	1970	CHANGE
MURDER	32	24	+33.3%	119	95	+25.3%
FORCIBLE RAPE	42	56	-25.0%	187	216	-13.4%
ROBBERY	695	939	-26.0%	3399	4065	-16.4%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	569	623	-8.7%	2455	2680	-8.4%
BURGLARY	1324	1594	-16.9%	6946	7296	-4.8%
LARCENY \$50 & OVER	690	1160	-40.5%	3906	5207	-25.0%
AUTO THEFT	823	867	-5.1%	3737	4277	-12.6%

Promotional Ceremonies

Twelve Departmental members were promoted during ceremonies conducted in the Traffic Division's Roll Call Room, Thursday, June 10.

Promoted to Lieutenant were Sergeants Harwood W. Burritt, Inspectional Services Division; John C. Drexel, Eastern District; Gilbert O. Karner, Tactical Section and Joseph P. Sullivan of the Western District.

Elevated to Sergeant were Patrolmen, Michael Kuriny, Criminal Investigation Division; William Law, Jr., Southeastern District; Eugene R. Lubricki, Planning and Research Division; Earl L. Morris, Eastern District; Norman J. Parker, Tactical Section; Lee R. Rodgers, Southeastern District; Robert J. Schleicher, Communications Division and William F. Stone of the Central Records Division.

Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau attended the ceremony and offered his congratulations and personal best wishes to each of the newly promoted members.

Traffic Institute

During commencement ceremonies held Saturday, June 12th, two members of the Baltimore Police Department received their diplomas from the Northwestern University's Traffic Institute.

Receiving their certificates in Traffic Police Administration at the University's Evanston, Illinois campus were Lieutenant Bernard H. Barker and Sergeant Stephan Timchula, both of whom had completed a nine month course.

The Traffic Institute is a service organization dedicated to preparing and training police officers for management and administrative positions within their respective law enforcement organizations. The program stresses balance between various departmental functions including traffic law enforcement, crime control and community relations. In addition, the Traffic Institute engages in a traffic accident prevention program that encompasses direct technical field assistance, research and development and publications.

BENEFIT EXPANSION REQUESTED

Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau on June 7 sent the following letter to State Senator William S. James, Chairman of the Senate's Legislative Council. It is reprinted in its entirety for the information of Departmental members.

Dear Senator James:

I note that House Bill 433 was signed by the Governor on May 24, 1971. This provides a presumption of compensable occupational diseases under Workmen's Compensation in cases of certain firefighters sustaining a temporary or total disability or death under certain conditions. I am aware that the City Administration opposed this law for a variety of reasons, one of which was the detrimental discrimination against the Baltimore City Police Department.

In its simplest terms, state law now presumes that firefighters whose health is impaired by lung diseases, heart diseases, or hypertension to the point of total or partial disability or death are presumed compensable under the Workmen's Compensation Act, as having suffered these injuries in the line of duty. In addition, any paid firefighter receiving benefits under this change shall receive them in addition to any benefits under the retirement system to which the firefighter was a participant at the time of his claim. In no case, however, shall the total weekly benefit exceed 100% of the weekly salary.

For the very obvious reasons set forth by the City Administration with reference to discrimination against police officers in view of the preferential treatment given to firefighters, I would recommend that the Legislative Council propose a bill in the next Session of the Legislature which will amend the new Section 64A to Article 101 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1970 Supplement) title "Workmen's Compensation", to include any paid municipal, county, or state police officer.

Your assistance in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,
D. D. Pomerleau
Commissioner

Retirements

DOWNEY, VINCENT R., Sergeant, Northwestern District, May 27.
ANTLITZ, JOHN T., Patrolman, Property Division, May 27.
GARRETT, VERNON P., SR., Patrolman, Traffic Division, June 3.
THOMPSON, BOBBY E., Patrolman, Southern District, June 9.
WALPER, GEORGE W., Patrolman, Southeastern District, June 10.
ROSS, KATHERINE B., Police Clerk I, Traffic Division, June 24.
AHMUTY, JEANETTE E. S., School Crossing Guard, Southeastern District, June 22.

In Memoriam

LINGERMAN, OSCAR L., father-in-law of Patrolman Walter Ambrose, Southwestern District, May 26.
MORRIS, VIRGINIA, stepmother of Patrolman Earl Morris, Eastern District, May 27.
STILL, MARIE, stepmother of Patrolman James Still, Tactical Section, May 28.
TRACEY, CHARLES T., brother of Sergeant Thomas Tracey, Fugitive Squad, Criminal Investigation Division, May 30.
PERNELL, MARY J., sister of Patrolman Joseph James, Traffic Section, June 5.
WITKOSKY, AUGUSTA, grandmother of Patrolman Jack Snyder, Southern District June 7.
EBEL, MARVIN L. and MAE CAROLINE, brother-in-law and sister of Patrolman William Kackritz, Traffic Control Section, Traffic Division, May 31.

Final Roll Call

GILL, WILLIAM J., Retired Patrolman, from Property Division, May 25.
SLONAKER, RAYMOND A., Retired Chauffer from Northwestern District, May 26.
SMEDBERG, ELVIN H., Lieutenant, Active Duty, Criminal Investigation Division, June 1.
PETERSON, CARL, Patrolman from Central District, shot and killed, line of duty, June 12.

The Department extends its deepest sympathy to the family and loved ones of those recently deceased.

NEWS IN BRIEF

SOUTHERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman Paul Carver and his wife, Ginger, on the birth of a son, Rick Joseph, born May 26 and weighed 8 lbs. 1 oz.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT — Welcome Aboard to Lieutenant Ralph Copper, and his paisley print lunch bag, and to Clerk Vicki White, fresh to us from the Personnel Division - our gain is Personnel's loss.

EASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations and Best Wishes to Patrolman Adolph Bucci and his wife, Bessie, who celebrated their 30th Wedding Anniversary, June 8.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman Albert Thompson and his wife, Marion, who recently became Grandparents for the first time. Their son, Francis, and his wife, Nancy, of Asbury Park, New Jersey, were the proud parents of a daughter, Holly Lorraine, born May 12 and weighed 7 lbs.

INTERNAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Welcome Aboard to Police Agents William Robbins and James Hall, recently assigned to this Division.

Best Wishes for a speedy recovery to Clerk I Margaret Collett, presently recuperating at home from a serious accident. Get Well Soon, Marg, we all miss you.

LABORATORY DIVISION — During the past few months some of our police officers have been transferred to Police Districts. To these officers and to those who will be leaving us in the future months to come, we would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to those who have served well and to wish them good luck in their new assignments.

Good Luck to Probationary Patrolman Jeffrey Livingston who left us to enter the Police Academy on June 7.

PLANNING AND RESEARCH DIVISION — Sincere congratulations to Patrolman Harry Koffenberger, Jr. on his reclassification of Police Agent. "Good Luck, Harry".

The members of this Division extend "Very Best Wishes" to Flight Officer Scott Miskimon, of the Helicopter Unit, and Miss Diane Manna

on the announcement of their engagement. Officer Miskimon is also to be congratulated for his achievement in passing 3000 hours "flying time" — "Good Work, Scott".

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION — On April 26, 1971, Patrolman John J. Bryl was presented the Charter for the American Legion Ferndale Post #289 by the Anne Arundel County and Southern Maryland District Commanders. Officer Bryl will be the Commander and Patrolman John T. Whitehill, Headquarters, will be 1st Vice-Commander. The Communications Division is also represented by Patrolman Martin W. Wunder, Finance Officer, and Patrolmen Steven Cirri and Richard Gallion.

Other members include Patrolmen Leo Barclay, S.W.D.; George Wehn, C.D.; James Cannon, S.D. and Lieutenants Charles Miller and James Gavin of the Anne Arundel County Police. Interested Officers are cordially invited to contact any of the above Officers.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Once the C.I.D. Homicide Unit had finished its "practice session" May 20 with the alleged team from the Central District during which the Central District was mercifully allowed to accomplish a 9 to 5 score (amazing how some people let themselves be conned by the pros), a real contest, to use the term loosely, was held the 27th of May during which the "MURDERERS" became the the "MURDEREES", being conclusively crushed to the tune of 15 to 8.

The Homicide Unit claimed no stars, but attributes its victory to a team effort, whose sterling defense accomplished four double-plays backed by solid hitting at the plate.

Question: Why was Lieutenant Kearney and his illustrious pitching arm sidelined? . . . Could it be that his membership in the "Over the Hill Gang" is the answer.

Congratulations to Detective Thomas W. West, of the Narcotics Unit, on his reclassification to Police Agent on May 17.

Patrick T. McKay, son of Lieutenant and Mrs. Robert R. McKay of Brownhill Road, Randallstown, has been recognized as an outstanding U. S. Air Force Reserve Officers Training

Corps Cadet at the University of Maryland. He received the Reserve Officers Association Freshman Ribbon of Merit. The Cadet is a 1970 graduate of Woodlawn High School.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Best Wishes for a "Happy Retirement" to Patrolman Thomas Collins, who retired May 27.

A speedy recovery is wished for Patrolman Calvin McCleese, a patient at Maryland General Hospital.

Welcome back, after their recent hospital "visits", to Clerks Helen Wos and Robert Tevis.

Congratulations to Officer Charles Reich on his marriage to Patricia Birgel on June 5.

Welcome Aboard to the following personnel who were recently assigned to this District: Sergeant Stelman Smith, Police Agent Wallace Brenton, Patrolmen Clarence Webster, William Law and Richard Nichols. Also, Patrolmen Jerry Crute, William Cummings, Roderick Duncan, William Wright, II and Teddy Workman assigned to this District upon graduating from the Police Academy.

CHIEF OF PATROL DIVISION — We would like to send our best wishes along with a speedy recovery to Patrolman Raymond Mackessy who is presently recuperating at home after a short stay in the hospital. Hurry and get well for we all miss you.

TRAFFIC DIVISION — The best of everything to Mrs. Katherine Ross of the Traffic Investigation Section of the Traffic Division on her retirement which is effective June 23, 1971. Katherine has been a faithful employee to the Police Department and shall be missed by everyone.

Congratulations to Officer Vernon Garrett on his retirement effective June 3, 1971. We hope Officer Garrett enjoys a long happy retirement.

Congratulations to Officer Charles McKenzie and his wife, Judy, on the birth of their son, Charles, Jr., on May 31, and who weighed 8 lbs.

YOUTH DIVISION — Lieutenant Kenneth L. Crispens, of this Division, announced the graduation of his son, Kenneth L. Crispens, Jr., from Catonsville Community College on Sunday, June 6, 1971.

Congratulations to Clerk Lois Weindl and Dale A. Cellitto on their recent marriage.



BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Mounted Methods Still Effective

Law enforcement in 1971 has reached the stage where it is, to say the least, sophisticated. The Baltimore Police Department is equipped with many of the most modern and up-to-date tools of the law enforcement profession. Radio equipped patrol cars, emergency vehicle units, motorcycles, scooters, boats and even helicopters are provided to assist the individual patrolman. He has, in many cases, instant communications from anywhere because of the walkie-talkie which hangs from his hip.

The police officer, for his part, is well trained and is a true professional in all senses of the word. The citizens of the City of Baltimore, at least a great many of them, have voiced a certain amount of pride in their Police Department and the men who serve them, in a variety of ways, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

With the ever increasing mechanization of the Department, reliance on modern technology and use of innovative techniques in law enforcement, it may to some, seem surprising to see a police officer riding down the street on a horse. Yet, today, any motorist downtown is very likely to do just that. He'll see a uniformed officer atop a prancing horse weaving in and out of the traffic, handing out traffic summonses and assisting those in need.

This is not, as it may appear, a concession to the "Olden Days". It is, instead, a clearly visible example of the maximum use of resources in an ever modernizing police organization.

The Department's Mounted Division, consisting of 22 men and 17 horses, meets an obvious need. With traffic heavy in the more congested downtown area, the Department needs a means to be able to answer calls for service in situations where police cars cannot get through traffic and a man on foot couldn't get to the location quickly enough. An officer on horseback pro-

vides the answer. He can respond to a particular location regardless of the traffic conditions. If it's an emergency he can use the sidewalks or alley-ways not wide enough or clear enough to allow passage of a vehicle.

A visit to the Department's stables, located in the Unit Block S. Frederick Street results in a better understanding of the role of a Mounted Division, in modern police work.

It must be pointed out that today there are nearly two-dozen cities which maintain Mounted Divisions. The work in almost every major city remains the same: the control of congested traffic and response to service calls in the Mounted Officer's area of patrol.



The Mounted Division moved to its present location in 1923. Through the years the officers, atop their well-cared for horses, have been a delight to both residents of the City and to visitors who see them as a symbol of law enforcement. Presently there are 17 horses quartered at Frederick Street. There are 15 Mounted Officers and 2 Sergeants; in addition, a crew of 5 hostlers keep the stables clean and care for the animals.

Each officer is assigned a particular animal for which he is responsible. They

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COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION CITED

A luncheon sponsored by the Baltimore Grand Jurors' Association was held at Saint Paul's Church on June 2. Honored at the affair, the Communications Division of the Baltimore Police Department was specifically cited for professional development, maintenance and projection of the Department's needs in the communication spectrum.

In attendance were Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, Deputy Commissioner Thomas J. Keyes and Major Robert Norton. In addition, United States Attorney for Maryland George Beall, Special Agent In Charge of the Baltimore Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation Victor Turyn, Baltimore States Attorney Milton B. Allen and members of the Grand Jurors' Association also attended.

During the luncheon a plaque was presented to Commissioner Pomerleau and Major Norton by Mr. Paul Nevin, President of the Grand Jurors' Association and by Mr. Paul Welsch of the Association's Awards Committee.

In accepting the Award, Major Norton expressed gratitude on the behalf of all the members of the Communications Division and attributed success to the high degree of co-operation displayed by its individual members.

"The most important unit of any Police Department," Major Norton explained, "is the Patrol Division. It is that segment of the Police Department that performs the duties for which the Department exists. Therefore, it is essential that they, the patrol forces, be reinforced with the best communications the state of the art can provide. Arterial flow of information is vital, not only to patrol units, but also to meet the ever increasing needs of the citizens of Baltimore."



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work a 5-day, 40-hour week in two shifts. It is interesting to note the special considerations given the non-human member of the "team". Each horse is assigned a badge and is a "member" of the Department. He works an 8-hour day, the same as his rider, and, this includes a 30-minute lunch break. In addition, each animal is "rested" for at least 10-minutes, preferably 15-minutes every hour.

The needs of horses are special, especially when they spend their working days assisting in the patrol of Baltimore's downtown area. For example, each animal must get plenty of exercise, even when not working. If an officer is on vacation, the horse assigned to him is "worked" at least three days a week. This serves to keep him in shape and prevents stiffness.

The "personal" needs of the horses are not overlooked. In the summer time, when the animal has completed his tour of duty, he is groomed and then given a cooling shower before being fed. The diet of the Department's horses is surprisingly varied to provide maximum nourishment. The staple food, of course, is hay and 5 bales are used daily to provide for the 17 animals. In addition, each feed box is filled with approximately 3 quarts of oats per day. Several times a week, the hostlers prepare what could be considered a "gourmet meal"

for their charges, "sweet feed". This is a mixture of oats and corn held together with molasses. Aside from providing a pleasant treat for the animals, it's packed with needed vitamins and minerals to insure the health and well-being of the four-legged "members" of the Department.



Medical treatment is one of the most important elements in the lives of the horses. They are regularly examined by a Veterinarian, provided shots to prevent infection and given dental and eye examinations.

The Department gets its horses from several sources. Some are donated, outright, as a gift. Others are purchased from area farms on a unique trial basis. Each animal purchased is bought with a 30-day option. For a month his rider trains him and rides him in the downtown area. This gives the officer the opportunity to evaluate the animal to insure his fitness for police work in a noisy city. If the new horse passes the initial "workout" and a complete medical examination, he becomes a "member" of the Mounted Division.

In addition to a good disposition and health, size is an important element of selection. Policemen are larger than jockeys, and their jobs more rigorous than that of many "cowboys", so the animals selected must be large enough to carry both rider and his equipment.

It is estimated that the combined additional weight on the horse's back, including rider, saddle and all of the equip-

ment needed for policing is approximately 260 pounds.

The essential element of the "team" is the police officer-rider. Each is an expert horseman, most have ridden since childhood. In addition, the officers are all men of experience in regular police work, each having spent years in various districts before assignment to the Mounted Division.

The officer is responsible for the health and performance of his "teammate". And in today's society he must be on the alert at all times for the protection of both he and his mount. The Officer must assure that the horse does not inadvertently kick or bump a bystander. He must also be certain that the horse isn't exposed to unnecessary dangers. The age old admonition about "taking candy from strangers" is especially applicable today. In some cities horses have been poisoned in the very presence of an officer who thought the citizen was giving his animal a "treat".

The uniform of the Mounted Officer remains distinctive. The blouse and trousers bear the yellow braid which is reminiscent of the Cavalry. The yellow braid is also evident on the white hat and yellow is the color used for the rank insignia of the 2 Sergeants who supervise their fellow Mounted Division Officers.



Together the police officer and his horse remain an impressive presence in the City of Baltimore. They work their posts with enthusiasm generally to the delight of the motorists and the passers-by including many children who seldom have the opportunity to see a man riding on horseback. In addition they provide services vital to the orderly flow of traffic downtown and for the enforcement of the law in Baltimore.

A Solemn Tribute

More than two hundred uniformed Baltimore Police Officers paid their final respects to their brother-officer Wednesday, June 16, when Patrolman Carl Peterson Jr. was laid to rest in the Holy Redeemer Cemetery.

Twenty other Police Departments were represented at the funeral. Officers from Suffolk County, New York; Cleveland, Philadelphia, Washington and Pennsylvania and North Carolina State Police Departments attended the solemn ceremony, and formed integral parts of Officer Peterson's Honor Guard.

The sense of shock that accompanied the first news of Officer Peterson's death still remains with many members of the Department who knew him. The following letter, received from his widow, Mrs. Helen D. Peterson, is a significant tribute to her beloved late husband, and the profession he served so well. More, it stands as a model of her courage during this very difficult time.

My Dear Commissioner,

With gratitude I wish to express my sincere thanks for the splendid cooperation displayed by the entire Department throughout this sorrowful time.

It was comforting to know that my personal loss was shared by the members of the Department, and I was deeply moved by the solicitude, sincerity and love extended by everyone.

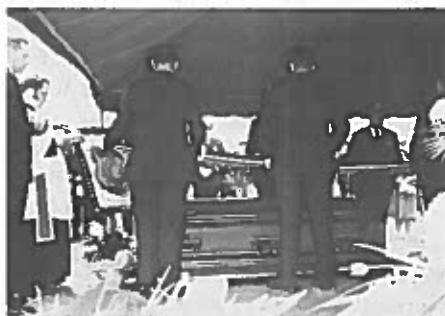
The manner in which the Department handled this tragic event was a great consolation and made me more proud of my husband's profession and all that it represents.

This senseless act is difficult to accept or understand, and my love and concern will always be with my husband's brother officers who risk their lives daily for the protection of others.

We must have faith that the Divine Power will endow us with the wisdom to solve the problem of restoring the respect and dignity so deserving to those who wear the uniform which represents law and order.

The knowledge that Carl was loved and respected does help to alleviate the sorrow somewhat, and the entire family is proud of the magnificent tribute paid to him.

With love,
Helen D. Peterson



Retirements

- HUGHES, GEORGE T., Sergeant, Western District, June 10.
- BERAN, WILLIAM J., JR., Sergeant, Youth Division, June 30.
- MURPHY, JAMES I., JR., Sergeant, Youth Division, July 1.
- KRIEWALD, GEORGE A., Patrolman, Southern District, June 9.
- TELLJOHANN, GEORGE C., Patrolman, Personnel Division, Casual Section, June 9.
- DELAHANTY, WILLIAM E., JR., Patrolman, Personnel Division, Casual Section, June 9.
- HUEBENTHAL, PHILIP E., Patrolman, Traffic Division, June 24.
- STREBECK, ANDREW E., JR., Patrolman, Traffic Division, June 24.
- BUCCI, ADOLPH A., Patrolman, Eastern District, July 1.

In Memoriam

- GERAGHTY, LEO C., SR., brother of Mrs. Kathleen G. Heckrotte, Property Division, June 9.
- ALFORD, HATTIE V., mother of Patrolmen John Alford, Tactical Division; Thomas Alford, Southeastern District; Albert Alford, Central Records Division; grandmother of Clerks Donna Alford, Southwestern District and Margaret Alford, Planning and Research Division, June 12.
- SHANAHAN, MARGARET, mother of Patrolman William Shanahan, Traffic Investigation Division, June 15.
- COLEMAN, ELZENIA, great-grandmother of Clerk Donta Bowler, Central Records Division, June 15.
- CHAMBERS, DAVID V., brother of Patrolman Junior Chambers, Youth Division, June 15.
- GARRITY, BERNARD A., father of Retired Lieutenant Bernard Garrity, Southeastern District, June 23.

Final Roll Call

- MOSCIRELLA, ROBERT, Patrolman, Active Duty, Western District, June 9.
- BROOKS, GEORGE E., Retired Patrolman, Central District, June 17.
- PLUNKETT, HENRY, Retired Patrolman, Youth Division, June 19.

The Department extends its deepest sympathy to the family and loved ones of those recently deceased.

NEWS IN BRIEF

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION —

Congratulations to Bob Schueler, Teletype Operator, who is a grandfather for the fourth time. Making the presentation was his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James C. Brooks, of Aberdeen, Maryland. Lianne Michelle Brooks was born May 22 and weighed 6 lbs. 10 oz.

The Communications Division wishes to express sincere sympathy to Clerk Edgell Skidmore on the recent loss of her mother.

A speedy recovery is wished for Officer Raymond Wratford, who is recuperating from recent surgery.

Welcome Aboard to Cadets William Tate, Gregory Lowman and Steven Cole, recently assigned to our Division.

Sergeant Glenn Egbert has been made an official of the Maryland Weightlifting Committee by the A.A.U. District Chairman. Written and practical tests qualified him for the position of Chief Referee.

CENTRAL DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman Anthony F. Rinaldi and his bride, Rita Ann Urbanski, who exchanged wedding vows on June 19 at St. Anthony's Church.

Congratulations to Patrolman Kenneth L. Lucas and the former Mayo M. Cochran who were married June 12 at Howard Chapel, Mount Airy, Maryland.

Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. Josiah Davis, Jr. on the birth of their daughter, Diana Jean Davis on June 9 and who weighed 6 lbs. 6 oz.

LABORATORY DIVISION — Congratulations to John D. Ellis, Senior Chemist, upon his promotion to Criminalist.

Good luck to Cadet Richard Rohrs in his new assignment to Communications Division. We'll miss you, Richard.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Narcotic Unit — Congratulations to Detective Robert C. Lowman and the former Catherine Jean Parker, who were married June 5.

Congratulations to both Lieutenant Stephen B. Tabeling and Detective Robert C. Lowman who were graduated from the Community College of Baltimore on June 6.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT — Detective Raymond Wilson, C.I.D., Property Crimes, was awarded the "Patrolman of the Year" award for 1970 at a banquet sponsored by the Optimist Club, Edmondson Heights, Westview at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Catonsville on May 20, 1971, at 8:00 P.M. Baltimore City Comptroller Hyman Pressman presented the award in recognition of the unusual amount of felony arrests made by Detective Wilson (formerly of the Southwestern District) in 1970. Our congratulations and best wishes to Detective Raymond Wilson in all his endeavors in the field of Law Enforcement.

CENTRAL RECORDS DIVISION — Identification Section — Best wishes to Cadet Richard Parker, Jr. and the former Joann Horn who will be married on July 3.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. Frank S. Bell who celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary on June 22.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS — Sergeant Joseph Goddard attended the Annual Maryland State Council, Knights of Columbus Convention which was held in Ocean City, Maryland on May 21, 22 and 23, 1971. Sergeant Charles H. Zeunges, of the Youth Division, was re-elected "State Deputy" for another year; other members of the Executive Staff include Sergeant William B. Clayton, Property Division and Sergeant Joseph W. Goddard, Community Relations Division. On May 22, the guest speaker was Deputy Commissioner Ralph G. Murdy, Administrative Bureau; also present at the Convention and seated at the head table was Major William A. Harris, Director of the Community Relations Division. The Convention was attended by many other City Policemen.

EASTERN DISTRICT — On June 14, Sergeant David Maguire was presented with a medal and a large letter by students of the Third Grade, P.S. #99, located North Avenue and Washington Street. The award was given in appreciation to the Sergeant for the recovery of the classroom pet, a mouse, which had been taken in a burglary.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs.

David Schwab on their marriage which took place on June 5. The newlyweds spent their honeymoon in Atlantic City. The best of luck and success to the happy couple.

PROPERTY DIVISION — "Cupid's Arrow Hits Mark" in Messenger Service. Congratulations to Officer Frank A. Grecco, Sr. and the former Elizabeth M. Hunnings, who were married on June 25.

Motor Pool — Patrolman and Mrs. Martin Whitehill are the proud grandparents of a granddaughter, Mary Ann, weight 6 lbs. 10 oz. on June 10. Officer and Mrs. Whitehill's daughter and son-in-law, Judith Ann and Larry Richmond are the proud parents.

TRAFFIC DIVISION — A speedy recovery is wished to Officer William Conner, Towing Section, who is a patient in the Anne Arundel Hospital.

We wish a speedy recovery to Sergeant Charles Klemmick, who was injured in an automobile accident on May 30th, and is a patient in South Baltimore General Hospital.

Congratulations and a long, happy retirement to Officers Philip Huebenthal and Andrew Strebeck. Both officers' retirements became effective June 24, 1971.

Congratulations to Charlotte Rice, Clerk in our Division who was married on June 26.

Congratulations to Craig Streett, son of Retired Sergeant Arthur Streett, Traffic Division and Mrs. Frances Streett, Chief Clerk of Traffic Division on his promotion to the rank of "Captain" in the U.S. Air Force and also for being elected as the "Outstanding Junior Officer" of his wing.

We wish to extend our sincere sympathy to the families of Officer Philip Huebenthal on the recent loss of his mother; Officer E. Henneman, Radar Unit, recent loss of his sister; Officer William Shanahan, T.I.S., recent loss of his mother and Officer Richard Miller, Intersection Control Unit, recent loss of his father.

YOUTH DIVISION — On June 15, 1971, Sergeant Charles H. Zeunges, State Deputy, Maryland State Council, Knights of Columbus, presented Resolutions adopted by the Maryland State Council supporting FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover to Mr. Hoover during his visit to FBI Headquarters, Washington, D.C.



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AN INTERNAL SAFEGUARD

The police officer accused of misconduct is presented in a paradoxical context to his Department, to the society he has sworn to protect and to himself. He becomes, in a very real way, the atypical occurrence: an enforcer brought before the court of public accusation.

But no matter how justified is that public action, it cannot suffice to clearly accuse, charge or prosecute an alleged offender. Well intentioned though it may be, it lacks the direction and purpose to strip away innuendo and rumor and arrive at a fair or even logical conclusion.

To the law enforcement professional, honesty and integrity must rank foremost above all other attributes. Logically, then, the professional law enforcement organization must provide its own internal component, charging them with the task of maintaining these attributes, both for the organization and for each of its individuals.

To Major Lawrence W. Bowe, Director of the Internal Investigation Division, the responsibility is three-fold: to serve the Police Commissioner, the Department and the Community at large and to serve each equally well. It is a sensitive and demanding role.

He is quick to emphasize, however, that the Division which he directs is not a court. It neither accuses nor prosecutes, and no complaints of alleged police misconduct are ever initiated from within it. The sworn personnel are professional investigators who take great pains to isolate the pertinent facts, without prejudice, and to arrive at conclusions by one route only, through the accumulation of evidence.

To be sure, it is not the shortest or easiest route. The average length of the

Division's investigations ranges from three weeks to one month: the "no stone unturned" school of investigation. Cases are decided, not by innuendo, guesswork or accident, but by a skillful gathering of facts and a preponderance of evidence.

The internal investigation process is probably most misunderstood because the Division readily accepts anonymous complaints. Major Bowe points out that initiation of the investigation depends completely on the type of information furnished by the complainant. Veracity must first be established through other witnesses before a complete investigation will be undertaken. If anything, the fact that the Division accepts anonymous calls enhances the Department's image. Baltimore is one of the few Law Enforcement Agencies in the country that will accept such calls.

A second greatly misunderstood process of the Division is the use of the Polygraph as part of its investigatory process. The Polygraph is employed only in the most sensitive of cases, where the veracity of either the complainant or the accused is in serious doubt. Once again, the Division deals with the preponderance of evidence: facts, and not what appear to be facts. When the Polygraph is employed, it is always first administered to the complainant. In that respect, it is highly useful as an indication of the need for more extensive investigation.

In 1970, the Division's eighteen Patrolmen, ten Sergeants and one Lieutenant carried out 512 investigations of Departmental personnel. "Generally speaking", Major Bowe recounts, "about one in four charges are sustained through investigation." The total figure includes discourtesy complaints, which are most

Graduation And Recognition

Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau presented graduation certificates to twenty-seven Probationary Patrolmen from the Education and Training Division in ceremonies held Friday, July 9, at the University of Baltimore's Langsdale Library.

Guest Speaker at the ceremony was the Honorable Thomas J. D'Alesandro, III, Mayor of Baltimore.



Lt. Col. Donald T. Shanahan, Chief of Patrol, is congratulated by Deputy Commissioners Ralph G. Murdy and Thomas J. Keyes at recognition ceremonies held Friday.

At the conclusion of the commencement, twenty-five Officers of the Department were honored for successful completion of courses of study undertaken at various area Universities and Colleges during the past year. Among those recognized was the Chief of Patrol Division, Lieutenant Colonel Donald T. Shanahan who in June received his B.S. degree in Law Enforcement from the University of Baltimore.

In addition to Colonel Shanahan, Captains Robert Larkin and Frank Serra, and Lieutenants Bishop Robinson and Stephen Tabeling were recognized. Eight Sergeants were honored including

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Howard Collins, John Lewandowski, Robert Lewandowski, Calvin L. Lewis, John Madigan, Scottie McDonald, Fred Neubauer and Michael Zotos.

Police Agent Warren Rollman and Patrolmen John Blackwell, Martin Hanna, Edward Lewis, Paul Lioi, Alfred Michael, Charles Palasik, Harvey Poseno, William Rowe, Detective Ralph Faulkner, Policewoman Linda Levin and Police Clerk I Linda Eich were also among those to receive recognition.

Congratulations were extended by Commissioner Pomerleau to each of the new graduates and to members of the of the Department assembled for academic recognition.



Graduating Class Valedictorian, Officer Michael Carter.

Safeguard

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common.

Complaints received by the Division must fall into one of six "areas of concern": excessive force, unwarranted action, neglect of duty, misconduct, possible violation of criminal statutes or discourtesy. Of the six areas, excessive force and discourtesy are reviewed by the Complaint Evaluation Board, which is composed of representatives of the Attorney General's office; City Solicitor, State's Attorney and representatives of the Legal Aid Bureau and the Department.

Board members convene once a month to review the results of investigations. The Board was established and functions to insure absolute impartiality where cases involving excessive force or discourtesy are concerned.

Once the complaint has been received and verified by the Internal Investigation Division staff, it is administratively assigned to one of four areas. Each area embraces a number of Districts or subdivisions within the Department, so ordinarily, apportionment of complaint investigation is made on the basis of the accused officer's assignment. When such information is not available, the investigations are apportioned to the area of occurrence, within the four-

area scheme.

Though obviously efficient in its administration, the Division suffers most from the misunderstanding of its function both within and outside of the Department. Indeed, Major Bowe cites an important function of Internal Investigation is to establish cooperation and understanding between the Department, its individuals and the Baltimore Community.

In an effort to earn the trust of Baltimore's citizens, the results of every investigation are sent to the civilian complainant, whether or not they are sustained. This method of follow-up, though necessarily limited in scope, nevertheless serves to impress citizens that action was taken, and that the Department has taken the time to inform them of the eventual outcome.

Just as important is the attitude held by many of the Department's members, sworn and civilian. Major Bowe believes that unwarranted distrust is slowly giving way to an understanding of the vital role the Internal Investigation plays within the Department: that the professional members of the Baltimore Police Department fully realize that honesty and integrity are foremost requirements, and that they must be forever safeguarded.

It is for that purpose, and no other, that the Internal Investigation Division exists.

CRIME STATISTICS

STATISTICAL REPORT

Reports of Index Crime in Baltimore City Reflect:

24.7% decrease for Month of June, 1971

15.1% decrease for Year to date

SUMMARIZATION OF INDEX CRIMES

	MONTH OF JUNE		% OF CHANGE	FIRST 6 MONTHS		% OF CHANGE
	1971	1970		1971	1970	
MURDER	23	25	- 8.0%	142	120	+ 18.3%
FORCIBLE RAPE	50	48	+ 4.2%	237	264	- 10.2%
ROBBERY	643	916	-29.8%	4042	4981	- 18.9%
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	604	670	- 9.9%	3059	3350	- 8.7%
BURGLARY	1242	1749	-29.0%	8188	9045	- 9.5%
LARCENY \$50 & OVER	669	1147	-41.7%	4575	6354	-28.0%
AUTO THEFT	840	853	- 1.5%	4577	5130	- 10.8%

Routine But Vital

Law enforcement officers are known today for their heroic acts. Almost daily, newspapers account brave deeds performed by our Men in Blue. It's not unusual to hear of a police officer, who at the risk of his own life, entered a burning building to save those trapped inside.

More often, however, the policeman's job plays around a routine, certain ordinary things which happen on each shift, making the day complete. This part of the job is hardly exciting in the same sense as those acts of heroism we most often hear about. But the routine part of the shift most often provides the best insight into the role of the professional law enforcement officer in the community today.

Officer Oliver T. Murdock is assigned to the Community Relations Division, and spends a good deal of his on-duty time performing tasks which benefit the community in general and certain neighborhood problems in particular.

One day in early May, Officer Murdock came across the family of Mr. Moses Davis. They were stranded at the Trailways Bus Station, fresh in from an Emporia, Virginia farm, with \$31.00 cash, no place to live and no job. When Officer Murdock found them they'd been trying for two hours to catch a taxi to take them to a brother's home. Officer Murdock took it from there.

First the brother couldn't be located so there was no place for lodging for the evening. The Officer made some quick arrangements with an acquaintance who cares for elderly people. A day later the Davis family was taken to Travelers' Aid and given a voucher for another night's lodging, they added money for a second night and with emergency food obtained through the Officer their immediate problems were taken care of.

Two days after their arrival Officer Murdock directed Mr. Davis to an interview for employment at a poultry processing company. He began work there the next day. While this was going on a representative of the Emergency Parents Service of the Model Cities program visited Mrs. Davis and her baby and helped her to learn some of the things she'd have to know about living in a large city; where to obtain medical treatment and the other services which are

available to those in need.

Officer Murdock stayed with the case, helping the family get into contact with the Housing Authority which quickly made available an apartment in one of the city's project developments. An emergency check was made available from the Department of Social Services so that necessary furnishings could be purchased.

The Davis' moved in on May 14th, just five days after arriving nearly broke, and certainly ill-prepared for what was in store for them. A week later Officer Murdock, who'd spent some of his off duty time working with the Davis family, checked and found the apartment clean, well furnished, a second-hand television set playing and food cooking in the kitchen. A happy ending to a not so exciting but certainly vital story; an ending made possible through the extra efforts of a member of the Baltimore Police Department.

American Legion Award

A member of the Department's Criminal Investigation Division was honored at an Awards Ceremony held Thursday, July 8th, at the War Memorial Building.

Detective Sergeant George G. Shriner was named by the Baltimore District of the American Legion as "Policeman of the Year." The Jack E. Dyke Award is annually presented to the City's Fire and Policeman who have demonstrated "Outstanding services and contributions to the City of Baltimore."

Sergeant Shriner was nominated for the award by the Chairman of the Department's Meritorious Conduct Board, who submitted five names of those Officers involved in outstanding cases during 1970. A panel of local members of the Bench made the ultimate selection.

The Sergeant was specifically cited for the singlehanded arrest on November 13, 1970 of four armed holdup men, all of whom were subsequently convicted.

Representing the Department at the Ceremonies were Lieutenant Colonel Maurice D. duBois, Chief of the Criminal Investigation Division; Captain John C. Barnold, Jr., Crimes against Persons Section and Detective Lieutenant Wallace Ritter.

SICK LEAVE SYNDROME

"RESPECTFULLY REQUEST SICK LEAVE SIR."

The May 14, 1971 edition of the METRO-INTERCOM, the Newsletter of the Metropolitan Police Department of the District of Columbia included an item relative to a request for sick leave. It's printed below with the permission of the METRO-INTERCOM:

The following comes to us from the Safety Management Section, Planning and Development Division. It was extracted from a P. D. 42.

"After the storm I noticed that a tree limb had fallen on my house, knocking loose some of the bricks, so I rigged up a beam with a pulley on the roof and hoisted up a couple of barrels of bricks.

When I had replaced the bricks, there were a lot left over. I hoisted the barrel back up again and secured the line at the bottom, and then went up and filled the barrel with the extra bricks. Then I went down to the bottom and cast off the line.

Unfortunately the barrel of bricks was heavier than I was and before I knew what had happened, the barrel started down, jerking me off the ground. I decided to hang on, and halfway up I met the barrel coming down and received a severe blow on the shoulder.

I then continued onto the top, banging my head against the beam and getting my fingers jammed in the pulley. When the barrel hit the ground it burst its bottom, allowing the bricks to spill out. I was now heavier than the barrel and so I started down again at high speed.

Halfway down I met the barrel coming up and received severe injuries to shins. When I hit the ground I landed on the bricks, getting several painful cuts from the sharp edges.

At this point, I must have lost my presence of mind because I let go of the line. The barrel then came down, giving me another heavy blow on the head and putting me in the hospital.

I respectfully request sick leave."

NEWS IN BRIEF

CENTRAL DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. Charles E. Morville on the birth of their daughter, Lisa Marie, one June 7 and who weighed 8 lbs 7 oz.

Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. Harold Nixon on the birth of their son, David Gregory, on July 3 and who weighed 7 lbs. 1 oz.

LABORATORY DIVISION — Congratulations to Chemist Martin S. Lazarus and his bride, Sarah R. Genut, on their recent marriage.

Welcome aboard to our two new criminalists, Dr. Allen E. Kemppainen and Mr. Joseph Lamzetta.

EASTERN DISTRICT — The Personnel of the Eastern District extend their sincere sympathy to the family of Antone Kosman, Maintenance Worker.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Sergeant John Madigan who received an A.A. degree, Police Administration upon graduation from Essex Community College, June 6, 1971.

Congratulations to Patrolman Larry E. Triplett and his bride, Barbara L. Emge, who were married June 3.

Best wishes to Patrolman Walter Maximuk, Jr. and his bride, Kathleen Jankowiak, on their marriage, June 5.

WESTERN DISTRICT — "Happy Flying" to Clerk I Frances T. Evans on her trip to Montego Bay and Kingston, Jamaica.

Congratulations to Patrolman Willie Perdue and his wife, Margarete, on the birth of a son, Rodney William, on June 23 and who weighed 6 lbs. 7 oz.

Welcome aboard to Sergeants Earl Morris and Michael Kuriny on their recent promotions.

We welcome back Lieutenant Stephen Plowman and his wife, Rene from their trip to the Virgin Islands.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT — Fond farewell to Clerk Donna Alford, recently transferred to Eastern District.

Welcome aboard to Clerk Nyna Rowley, recently transferred from Chief of Patrol's Office.

Congratulations to Patrolman Harry Francis and his wife, Barbara, on the birth of their son, Michael Corey,

born June 24 and who weighed 7 lbs. 7 oz.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman Charles Fertitta and his wife, Dorothea, on the birth of their third daughter, Barbara Jean, born July 4 and who weighed 8 lbs. 1 oz.

We wish to congratulate the members of the Pistol Team for the honor bestowed on our District. The Team was awarded the 1st Sgt. N. J. W. Lloyd Memorial Trophy for being selected as the most improved team in the Indoor Pistol League. Members are: Lieutenant William T. Bell, Sergeants Gregory G. Hardesty and William H. Bowen and Patrolmen Herman Bullinger and Michael J. Roz (Team Captain).

TACTICAL SECTION — K-9 Unit —

On June 27 Patrolman David Stuller and his K-9 dog, Shane responded to 21 S. Calvert Street to search the buildings in the vicinity for a burglary suspect. The search led the Officer and Shane to the roof, second floor, of 206 Water Street. Shane apparently picked up a strong scent, but while following it, fell from the roof, to the pavement below. He died from injuries sustained from the fall. Members of the K-9 Unit wish to express their regrets to Officer Stuller on his recent loss.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT — Patrolman Charles R. Schackert, Sr. was honored by the Northwest Optimist Club as Patrolman of the Month on June 9. The Personnel of the District wish to thank this great civic organization for its establishment of a "Policeman of the Month" award.

Double congratulations to Clerk Lillian Fletcher whose sons, Jacques and Rene, graduated this June and will enter Senior High and Junior High, respectively.

Congratulations to Sergeant Leroy Dedmon, Sr. and family, whose son, Leroy, Jr., graduated from the University of North Carolina and also signed with the Eutaw Stars of America Basketball Association.

Congratulations to Sergeant Ralph Clements voted unanimously Valedictorian of the class in Narcotics School, Washington, D.C. He achieved a score of 100. There were representatives

from 4 different countries and 13 states.

Welcome aboard to the following personnel recently transferred to our District: Clerk Margaret Harris; Policewoman Beverly Summers; Sergeants Andrew Hevesy, Edward Mattson, Norman Parker, Eugene Luberecki and to Patrolmen James Clavon, Michael Hensley, Thomas Leddon, William Port and E. Dennis Sweren.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Robbery Hold-up and Homicide Squads — On June 29, Detective Clarence "Spike" Burger was injured while playing soft-ball. He is recuperating at his home and would enjoy hearing from some of his friends. Mrs. Burger would like to express her thanks for all the help rendered from the Detectives and Patrolmen. P.S. — Final Score 14 to 5 favor Homicide.

In Memoriam

KUHN, BERTHA, wife of deceased Patrolman Frank W. Kuhn, formerly of Mounted Section, Traffic Division and mother of deceased Patrolman Robert Kuhn, formerly of Western District, killed in line of duty in 1963, June 24.

SCROGGS, HARRY E., father of Detective Charles Scroggs, Criminal Investigation Division, Auto Theft Unit, June 25.

LEONARD, RAYMOND H., SR., father of Sergeant Raymond H. Leonard, Jr., Criminal Investigation Division, Property Crimes Section, June 30.

McCRORY, JOSEPH J., brother of Patrolman Thomas V. McCrory, Southern District. July 4.

Final Roll Call

BRUCHEY, JOSEPH M., retired Patrolman and father of Patrolman Milton Bruchey, Southern District, July 6.

RODGERS, ERIC, Patrolman, Active Duty, Southwestern District, July 3.

The Department extends its deepest sympathy to the family and loved ones of those recently deceased.



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TWO LIEUTENANT COLONELS, TWO MAJORS APPOINTED

Several ranking members of the Baltimore Police Department were promoted Tuesday, July 27 as a result of the retirement of twenty-seven year veteran Lieutenant Colonel William E. Armstrong on July 24.



Lt. Col. William A. Harris

Replacing Colonel Armstrong as Chief of the Traffic Division is newly promoted Lieutenant Colonel William A. Harris who entered the Department to serve as Director of the Community Relations Division. Colonel Harris is a five year Departmental veteran who was appointed on July 1, 1966. The new Chief of Traffic is married and the father of two children.



Lt. Col. George C. Schnabel

Additionally, after careful evaluation, Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau has

announced that the Community Relations and Youth Divisions will be combined into a new unit to be known as the Community Services Division. The newly formed Division will be commanded by newly promoted Lieutenant Colonel George C. Schnabel who previously commanded Patrol Area III.

Colonel Schnabel is a 24 year veteran of the Department who has served in the Southwestern, Northeastern, Southern and Central Districts prior to assuming command of Patrol Area I in May, 1967. In March of this year he was reassigned as Deputy Chief of Patrol Area III.

The Community Relations Section of the newly created Division will be commanded by Lieutenant James H. Watkins of the Tactical Section's Special Tactical Operations Patrol or STOP Squad. As head of the new section, James Watkins assumed the rank of Major.

Major Watkins entered the Department on January 25, 1951. He has served in the Northern and Northwestern Districts, in addition to assignment in both Criminal Investigation and Inspectional Services Divisions. He was also assigned to the Community Relations Division prior to his transfer to the Tactical Section.

The Youth Section of the Community Services Division will be commanded by Major Edwin L. Lawrence, who previously served as Deputy Chief of Patrol Area I. Major Clarence E. Roy, formerly of the Youth Division was reassigned as Deputy Chief of Patrol Area II. Major Wilbur C. Miller filled the vacancy as Deputy Chief of Patrol Area III created by the promotion of George C. Schnabel.

To fill the vacancy caused by Major

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RETIREMENTS

Lieutenant Colonel William E. Armstrong, Chief of the Traffic Division since June, 1969, retired from the Baltimore Police Department on Saturday, July 24. The retirement ended twenty-seven years of public service and dedication.

Colonel Armstrong's career within the Department began in April, 1944 when he was assigned to the Southern District. Two years later he was reassigned to the Police Boy's Club, an association that was to temper much of his career. Subsequent transfers and reassignments would never completely break his ties with the City's youth, or his concern for their well being.

By August, 1951, Chief Armstrong had been promoted to Sergeant and was transferred to the Headquarters and the Boy's Club Section of the Juvenile Protection Bureau, where he continued his work helping the young people of the community.

Promotion to Lieutenant in 1956 brought with it transfer to Pine Street Station where Chief Armstrong would remain through the rank of Captain until his promotion to Major and assignment as Director of the Department's Internal Investigation Division in July, 1966.

On several occasions while at the Pine Street Station, Chief Armstrong headed special squads to investigate a series of armed holdups that took place in the northwestern and northeastern areas of the city. His success with these special assignments led to his selection for the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Academy in Washington, D.C.

The Colonel's strong belief in education led him to register for night college classes as early as 1956. Determination paid handsome dividends by 1963 when

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Lawrence's reassignment, Anton T. Glover was appointed as a Major and assigned as Deputy Chief of Patrol Area I.



Major James H. Watkins



Major Anton T. Glover

Major Anton T. Glover entered the Department on April 3, 1947 and was assigned to the Southern District. In March of 1952 he was transferred to the Criminal Investigation Division until assuming command of the Eastern District in July, 1969. During the span of his career, Major Glover has been awarded thirty-seven commendations.

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he was graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of Baltimore's Law School with an LLB Degree.

July 3, 1968 witnessed Chief Armstrong's transfer to the Department's Patrol Division as Deputy Chief of Patrol Area II.



Lieutenant Colonel William E. Armstrong

His final assignment, Chief of the Traffic Division, was attained two years ago. Since that time, Chief Armstrong has fully administered the internal workings and enforcement responsibilities of that Division.

Entering his retirement, Colonel Armstrong takes with him the best wishes of the Department and of the people who have known and worked with him.

July 28 marks the end of a long and distinguished career for one of the Department's most respected men. Captain William A. Kohler, head of the Criminal Investigation Division's Vice Section is ending a 29 year career.

He entered the Department in 1941 spending three years in the Western District. In January, 1944 he was assigned to the Detective Division. After several years he established himself as an expert investigator, and was subsequently promoted to Detective Sergeant in 1947. He was then assigned to the Homicide Section. In December, 1956 he was promoted to Lieutenant. In addition to his duties as a Lieutenant he assumed a position on the Meritorious Conduct Board.

On January 12, 1967 he was assigned to the Patrol Division as the Commander of the Eastern District, where he remained until assuming his most recent command as the head of the Vice Section.

Throughout his career Captain Kohler has accumulated numerous Departmental as well as civilian awards, which include one special commendation, one Bronze Star, seventeen regular commendations and over sixty letters of recognition from various Judges, States Attorneys and citizens.

He has furthered his education by attending various courses in Police Administration and Law Enforcement. In addition he has attended the University of Maryland and the Community College of Baltimore and has been a participant in numerous seminars on narcotics and drug abuse.

Captain Kohler was one of the first to recognize the need for education of the patrol force with regard to the drug problem. He was instrumental in establishing the three day seminars given to members of the Department by the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs. The Captain was also responsible for the design and placement of the Narcotics Display Boards which serve as a visible reference for the identification of narcotics and narcotics paraphernalia.

With twenty-nine years of service to the community behind him Captain Kohler is looking forward to spending his retirement years with his wife, Margaret in their Northeast Baltimore home. Immediate plans call for little more than an extended schedule of fishing and a well deserved rest.



Captain William A. Kohler

I.A.C.P. Entrants

The following Patrolmen were nominated for consideration in an International Association of Chiefs of Police Award.

Officer Ronald Ford of the Tactical Section is twenty-four and a 3½ year veteran of the Baltimore Police Department. In January, 1971, he was awarded the Sunpaper's Policeman of the Year Award.

His off-duty activities, when not consumed by investigation or court time, are largely concerned with sports activities. Officer Ford is an avid fisher and hunter, who also engages in seasonal sports activities: softball, football and basketball. He is also an active member of the Fraternal Order of Police.

Presently Officer Ford rests high on the current promotional list for Sergeant. He has been officially commended ten times, including receipt of the Department's Bronze Star.

In addition to his Department activities, Ronald Ford has been furthering his education in the law enforcement profession by attending classes at the Community College of Baltimore.

During 1970 alone Officer Ford's diligence resulted in the clearance of 206 cases. The subsequent charges ranged from homicide to narcotics violations, and from burglary to deadly weapons charges. Officer Ford's Captain characterized him as, "... a most conscientious Police Officer," who had, "displayed excellent ability since he has been under my command. He is thoroughly dependable and has been responsible for numerous arrests and convictions."

As recently as June of this year, Officer Ford apprehended a suspect wanted in connection with an armed robbery. Acting on information furnished by a witness, Officer Ford patrolled the area immediately adjacent to the commission of the crime. Within three minutes of the rendering of the description, Officer Ford had successfully located and arrested the subject. Subsequent investigation revealed that the subject was involved in an earlier armed holdup and homicide. Presently the 20 year old suspect is being held without bail, pending trial.

Officer Frederick Archer's four years in the Baltimore Police Department have been spent entirely in the Northeastern District. There, working in the uniformed Operations Squad, Officer Archer has compiled a creditable record of arrests and convictions.

The twenty-eight year old Patrolman has won 17 official commendations during his career, including four Bronze Stars. He attributes his success to the "outstanding leadership" afforded by his District supervisors.

Married for four years, Officer Archer is the father of two children, aged three years and six months. He and his family attend St. Dominic's Catholic Church in the Hamilton section of Baltimore.

In March, 1971 Officer Archer was honored as the outstanding Policeman in the Hamilton area by the Lion's Club. He was nominated for the award for his excellent police work in solving 162 major crimes in 1970. Included among the crimes was homicide, assault and robbery and burglary.

Officer Archer particularly enjoys fishing and hunting.

His singular ambition remains, "making policing my career," and he unabashedly voices pride in being a public servant. More than anything else, Officer Archer is determined to "make Baltimore a better City."

In line with his career ambitions, Fred attends college level classes at the American University, in a Law Enforcement curriculum.

Plainclothes Officers John Barrick and Donald Dyson have been partners for over three years, working the Baltimore Police Department's Southwestern District. During that period of time they have amassed an excellent record of arrests and convictions, a record that qualifies them for consideration in the selection of the International Association of Chiefs of Police Award.

Officer John Barrick is thirty years old and during his eight years in the Department has received twenty-seven official commendations including six Bronze Stars.

John is active in neighborhood sports programs and, until recently, coached a

Little League Team. His favorite indoor hobby is carpentry.

Officer Donald Dyson is the father of five children ranging in age from fourteen to twenty-four. He has been a member of the Baltimore Police Department for eleven years. During that time he has received twenty-four official commendations, including six Bronze Stars.

Like his partner, the 44 year old Officer Dyson especially enjoys carpentry, mostly around the house. His favorite sport is baseball in which he occasionally participates within his own neighborhood.

Both officers attribute their success to a thorough working knowledge of their district and its residents. What should not be overlooked is the fact that both have willingly volunteered many extra hours of duty — hours that have paid off in the form of arrests and convictions. The long hours represent a very real sacrifice, especially to dedicated family men like Officers John Barrick and Donald Dyson. But it is a sacrifice that both have consistently chosen to make.

Champions

The Baltimore Police Department was again well represented in the Winter Indoor Police Pistol League of 1970. Team honors were bestowed at the annual awards dinner held July 8 at the Overlea Hall.

The League Championship went to the Department's Team Number One, a group of Officers who went undefeated on their way to taking the championship. Individual honors went to Officer Edward Campbell for High Rapid Fire Average, and Officer Daniel Sobolewski for High Slow Fire Average and High Score for a Single Match.

The Northeastern District team finished sixth in its twenty team league and won the Sergeant N.J.W. Lloyd Trophy for the League's most improved performance.

In Division C competition, the Tactical Section's Pistol Team also won the top trophy by earning first place honors.

Once again, determination, dedication and, above all, accuracy have paid off handsomely for the Department's competitive pistol teams.

NEWS IN BRIEF

EASTERN DISTRICT — On June 30, 1971 a luncheon was held for Patrolman Adolph Bucci, who retired on July 1, 1971, after 20 years in the Eastern District. Officer Bucci was presented with a certificate, retired badge and a gold pen and pencil set, by Captain Anton T. Glover. These gifts were from members of the Eastern District. Officer Bucci was also given a set of masonry tools. The affair was attended by Deputy Commissioner Frank J. Battaglia, Major George Schnabel, Officer Bucci's lovely wife, Bessie and a host of his friends. Everyone wishes Officer Bucci good luck, good health and many happy years of retirement, which he deserves.

Congratulations to Officer Donald Phelps and his wife, Shirl, on the birth of their son, Andrew Scott, born July 19, weighing 7 lbs. 8oz.

Best wishes to Patrolman Kenneth Withers, who retired, July 14, after 24 years of service with the Baltimore Police Department. We wish a long and happy retirement to Officer Withers.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING DIVISION — Patrolman John J. Huemmer, K-9 Instructor was recently elected to the high office of Senior Vice Commander, Department of Maryland Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. This organization has a membership of nearly 30,000 members in Maryland. John invites all eligible veterans in the Department to join. Contact him at Education and Training, Extension 225 or 445.

INTERNAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Members of this Division extend sincere sympathy to Detective John Lansey and family on their recent loss.

Welcome aboard to Clerk II Judy Rollins recently assigned to this Division.

OPERATIONS BUREAU — Lieutenant James T. ("TOM") Middleton, is recuperating at home, after a short stay in the hospital. We wish you a Speedy Recovery, "Tom".

TRAFFIC DIVISION — Welcome back to Sergeant Stephan Timchula, Parking Control Section, who has been away for the past nine months, at

Northwestern University.

A long and happy retirement is wished to Patrolmen Walter Grabowski and Raymond Morris, of this Division, recently retired.

Welcome aboard to Agatha Wilburn, recently transferred to our Division from Eastern District.

Congratulations and a long happy marriage to Mr. and Mrs. Clifton White, who were married on June 26. Mrs. White, the former Miss Jacalyn C. Blackwell, is the daughter of Patrolman John Blackwell, Traffic Investigation Section.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT — The Southern District Community Relations Council held election of officers on June 30. Miss Joyce Blume, Senior Administrative Assistant, Youth Division, was elected Secretary. It is felt Joyce will be an asset to the Council, as she had attended the meetings and held a sincere interest in the Council for over a year.

Congratulations to Patrolman David Suter and his wife, Susan, on the birth of their son, David, Jr., born July 3 weighing 8 lbs. 9 oz.

PROPERTY DIVISION — Members of the Motor Pool presented Patrolman Bernard J. Struck with a gift certificate as a farewell token. Officer Struck retired July 8 after 20 years of service with the Department. Best wishes for a long and happy retirement.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Vice Section — Congratulations to Lieutenant and Mrs. George E. Andrew. They became "Grandparents" on July 3, when Lieutenant and Mrs. George H. Andrew, son and daughter-in-law, became the "Parents" of "Christine Louise" who weighed 7 lbs. 12 oz. Lieutenant George H. Andrew is a member of the U. S. Navy and he and his family are stationed at McDill Air Force Base, Tampa, Florida.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Patrolman Frederick Archer of this District was selected as Policeman of the Year by the Greater Northeast Baltimore Association for his outstanding Police work. Officer Archer was awarded a plaque commemorating the event at ceremonies held at the Memorial Stadium on July 5.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS DIVISION — Congratulations and a long, happy

retirement to Detective Oliver R. Walker who retired July 1.

Congratulations to Mercedes V. Rankin on her promotion to Sergeant as of June 25. Sergeant Rankin will remain in this Division.

Congratulations to Policewoman Linda H. Levin upon receiving her A.A. Degree in Law Enforcement from Community College of Baltimore.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Welcome Aboard to the following personnel recently transferred from various Units and Divisions: Patrolmen William Chaffinch, Charles Hinchin, Alfred Erhardt and John Weiman.

Congratulations to Officer Clarence Webster for achieving a score of 98 while in the Narcotics School at Washington, D.C.

Congratulations to Mrs. Jean Griffin, daughter of Lieutenant John P. Donohue, who was married to Albert Griffin on June 26.

In Memoriam

MOORE, WILLIS J., father-in-law of Sergeant James K. Wells, Central District, June 21.

CARTER, DUDLEY J., step-father of Patrolman Freddie Massey, Central District, July 7.

BROKUS, MELVIN J., SR., father of Patrolman James J. Brokus, Southeastern District, July 7.

MYERS, GRACE B., wife of Patrolman Donald Myers, Central District, July 14.

BURINSKY, HELEN, mother of Patrolman John Burinsky, Eastern District, July 14.

Final Roll Call

WITKOWSKI, WALTER W., Retired Patrolman, Pine Street Station, July 8.

BLUME, JOHN J., Patrolman, Active Duty, Northeastern District, July 11.

HUMPHRYS, EDWIN J., Retired Patrolman, Northeastern District, July 15.

NESERKE, DR. E. IRVIN, Veterinarian, Active Duty, Traffic Division, Mounted Section, July 15.

ELDESKIRCH, EMIEL, Retired Patrolman, Western District, July 17.

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EVU: The Unusual Is Normal

Then there was the one about the man who reached into the side pocket to retrieve the proverbial eight ball and wound up behind it when his hand became stuck. A hilarious situation provided it's not your hand, but one which the men of the Department's Emergency Vehicle Unit have handled before. The happy ending involves a partially dismantled pool table, and at least one red-faced, swollen-wristed, temporarily retired pool shooter.

The Tactical Section's Emergency Vehicle Unit daily handles requests for service that range from amusing to near tragic and beyond. Each of the Unit's fifteen men are well experienced in life and limb saving techniques, and through the years each has had ample opportunity to demonstrate his ability.

The vehicles themselves are stocked with every conceivable tool. Ropes, tranquilizer guns for wounded or sick animals; ladders and lights, portable generators, railroad jacks, picks, shovels and gas masks are just a small sample of the equipment carried.

But if the tools and their types are varied, it is because of the varied responsibilities of the men who must use them. On the average, the CP series units respond to twenty-five hundred calls for service a year; calls that can take them anywhere in the city: from Homeland to Fells Point; to render almost any type of public service.

A city the size of Baltimore can annually supply more people caught in machinery or in bathtubs or on roofs or under automobiles or inside of them for any number of reasons than can quickly be brought to mind. Then there are the lock calls: people locked outside of places or people locked inside, under or on top of places. Then, of course, there are precious pets perched atop leafy elms. Or maples. Or in storm drains.

Briefly, the EVU personnel can encounter just about any kind of situation on a given call. So the men themselves must be the Unit's prime asset. They must, above all, be stronger and in better physical shape than the average policeman. But they must also possess a practical knowledge of a wide variety of tools and their uses. There is little time for hesitation, consideration or refresher when a life is in jeopardy. Many times, in fact, there is time only to grab the necessary tool and take the necessary action immediately.



The average age of the Unit's men is about thirty-five. Most have had a wide experience with mechanics in previous employments. Some even served as Medics in the Armed Forces before entering the Department. All have been trained and retrained in a number of courses that are pertinent to their demanding jobs. Personnel of the Unit have successfully passed courses offered by the U. S. Army's Edgewood Arsenal. All are familiar with the fundamentals of crowd control, and have been given advanced firearms training at the Department's Education and Training Division. Several of the personnel have passed Civil Defense courses on Shelter Management and the handling of Radiological materials.

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MOVING ALONG

Even the most casual observer can recognize the progress evident in the construction of the Baltimore Police Department's new Headquarters Building. All of the stone veneer has been in place for months, and as of August 3, fully eighty percent of the project's distinctive bronze hued windows had been installed.

What isn't visible from the street is the bustling activity almost completely hidden by the building's exterior. Plasterers, electricians and plumbers are presently working on the final phases of installation. Many of the hundreds of rooms need only final coats of paint to be ready for occupancy.

As of August 10, the Headquarters had reached approximately eighty-five per cent completion.

Already installed is a huge new ballistics firing test tank that is suspended through the Laboratory Division's fifth floor testing facilities.

Five parking levels within the building will house two hundred and sixty-five Departmental vehicles. The new auditorium will seat over five hundred people and will serve as an effective and appropriate setting for all of the Department's ceremonies, lectures and presentations.



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Safety City Summer

Prior reservations for "Walk Thru" tours of the Department's two Safety Cities were filled from the May 10 opening date through June 18. The two facilities, East, located in the 4900 block of Eastern Avenue and West, situated in Druid Hill Park, more than demonstrated their value during a Summer of activity in 1970.

This year the Safety Cities, operated by Officers of the Department's Traffic Safety Education Unit, will function with a series of two-day sessions, two hours per session.

During the sessions, children will be conducted through the miniature Cities and instructed on the importance of pedestrian safety. Particular attention is given to the practical aspects of safety on the city's streets.

Officers of the Safety Education Unit emphasize that the program is sponsored for all children aged five to eight years, and that children of Baltimore Police Officers are most definitely welcome to take part.

At the completion of the tour, the children receive a "Safety City Citizen" certificate.

During the summer months, the Cities will be open weekdays from 8 A.M. to 4 P.M. Additional information can be obtained by contacting the Traffic Safety Education Unit or by visiting either of the two Safety City locations.

EVU

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Not only do Unit personnel attend courses; on occasion they instruct others. Periodically, men of the Unit train Officers from the Department's Districts and Tactical Section in the use and handling of crowd control equipment. In the past, such instruction was also given to personnel of the Baltimore City Jail.

Like the rest of the Department, the Emergency Vehicle Unit functions as a public service. Unless on an emergency call, they have never failed to stop and assist stranded motorists and literally hundreds of commendatory letters from citizens have attested to that strong sense of public service. On numerous occasions the CP units have prevented vandalism or theft by responding to fires, break-ins and simple unlocked doors and boarding up the premises.



Their wide range of activity has involved them in a number of strange situations. Responding to a burglary in progress call some years ago, the Officers were surprised to find the burglar caught in the intricate iron work of an ancient fireplace down which he had attempted to escape. Administering the more practical aspects of their chosen profession, the Officers neatly extricated the man, then arrested him.

There are grimmer aspects. On occasion the CP's have been needed to extricate victims of accidents from the inside of twisted automobile wreckage: a job that requires great strength, infinite patience, and tenderness; attributes no number of tools can supply.

During disturbances, men of the

EVU are also held responsible for setting up and staffing Command Posts and equipping them with working communications equipment. Often they must be the first unit on the scene to aid in the coordination and movement of other units.

Besides their other activities, personnel of the unit also actively patrol Fort Smallwood and Lake Roland on a permanent basis.

Characteristically, men of the EVU are the direct-approach type, who seldom have the time to study a situation in depth before taking action. Several years ago, two of them were taking part in an Army-sponsored course at the Edgewood Arsenal. As a kind of final examination the members were told to enter a house whose complete structure had been expertly booby-trapped with simulated mines.

Rising to the challenge, EVU personnel penetrated the house's outer defenses in a matter of minutes without tripping a single device. Then came the part that separated talented amateurs from professionals: actual entry. Realizing that the doorknob was mined, the students bypassed it with refreshing simplicity by taking the door off its hinges, immediately gaining both entry to the house and a high passing grade in the course.

Moving Along

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A new attachment to the Headquarters, upon its completion will be the Tactical Section which will occupy spacious Second Floor facilities, including a large Roll Call Room, ample locker and shower rooms and a Communications Room. Another new addition will be the Quarter Master's Unit.

A Canteen has been provided on the Fifth Floor that will seat up to two hundred persons and which will be serviced by a number of vending machines.

An adaptable new concept, movable walls, has been included on several of the floors to take maximum effective usage of existing space for a variety of purposes.

When completed the new facility will be the most modern on the East Coast of the United States.

Storm Tragedy

On Sunday evening, the 1st of August, a freak Summer storm of tropical intensity hit the northern and north-eastern sections of Baltimore City and County. At least sixteen persons died as a direct result of the storm and the flash flooding caused by it.

Lieutenant Martin E. Webb of the Southern District was one of those victims. Baltimore County Police discovered his automobile the following morning. All of the vehicle's doors were open. No trace was found of the Lieutenant.

Later, witnesses reported that they had seen the Lieutenant park and leave his vehicle in a heroic, successful attempt to rescue a woman trapped inside her overturned automobile.

The Lieutenant was last seen as he was swept away by the intensity of the flood waters that surrounded him.



Lt. Martin E. Webb

A seventeen year veteran of the Department, Martin Webb had been promoted to Lieutenant in March of this year. Prior to his assignment in the Southern District he had been assigned to the Laboratory Division. He had also served in the Central District and in the Motorized Section of the Traffic Division.

In 1948 he had graduated from the College of William and Mary with an Associate of Arts degree in Business. Since that time he had attended the Community College of Baltimore and the American University.

The Lieutenant's body was recovered on Tuesday, August 3, in Kahler's Run, approximately one half mile away from where he had rescued the woman. For two days before the discovery, Lieu-

Officers Wounded In Line Of Duty

Tragedy was averted in mid-July when two Baltimore Police Officers were seriously assaulted in unrelated incidents.

On Saturday, July 17, Central District Officer Frederick Dickens was working Car No. 141 in the vicinity of Laurens Street and Jordan Alley. About 7:28 P.M. he was approached by a young child who reported that there was a man in the alley armed with a gun and allegedly threatening two citizens.

Officer Dickens entered the alley in his patrol vehicle and immediately observed a man fitting the description given by the child. As the suspect began walking away from the scene, Officer Dickens left his vehicle and ordered him to stop.

Without hesitation the suspect turned and fired two shots, both of which struck the Officer's legs. Rushing towards him, the assailant attempted to again shoot the Officer in the head. Despite being wounded a third time, Officer Dickens managed to pull his service revolver and fatally wound his attacker.

The twenty-three year old Patrolman was transported to Maryland General Hospital where he was admitted in fair condition.

Officer Dickens has been a member of the Department less than two years.

Officer Charles P. Smith, 31 years old, was on routine patrol in the rear of the 3200 block of Reisterstown Road on Monday, July 19, when he surprised two suspects attempting to break into a building.

After spotlighting the subjects and calling for assistance, Officer Smith

tenant Donald Sutton had led twelve off-duty Southern District Patrolmen in a futile attempt to locate him.

The Lieutenant is survived by his widow, Frances, and their two children.

Though off-duty, Lieutenant Webb did not hesitate to risk his life in order to save the life of another. His tragic death was the direct result of the compassion and concern he held for his fellow man, a dedication commensurate with the esteem in which his memory will forever be held.

ordered them against a wall where he began searching them. During the search one of the subjects turned and grabbed the Officer's service revolver. A struggle ensued and the gun discharged wounding



Officer Frederick Dickens

Patrolman Smith in the left side. Both suspects immediately fled the scene.

The Officer was transported to Provident Hospital where he was admitted in good condition at about 4:30 A.M. He was satisfactorily released from the hospital on Wednesday, July 21.



Officer Charles P. Smith

Officer Smith, a Randallstown resident, is a ten year veteran of the Baltimore Police Department.

Promotional Exam

The Civil Service Commission of the City of Baltimore has announced a competitive examination for the position of Sergeant in the Baltimore Police Department.

Tests are limited to qualified Patrolmen who have passed three years of service in the Department by January 1, 1972. Applications can be obtained at the Civil Service Commission, 10 South Street, or in Room 405 of the Police Headquarters Building.

NEWS IN BRIEF

INTERNAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Congratulations to Sergeant and Mrs. Joseph Nixon, on the birth of their daughter, Lisa Nicole, born July 22 and weighing 6 lbs. 7 oz.

PROPERTY DIVISION — Members of the Property Division extend sincere sympathy to Sergeant William B. Clayton, Jr. on his recent loss.

Sergeant and Mrs. William B. Clayton, Jr. are proud to announce that their son, Second Lieutenant Terrence Clayton has joined the 101st Airborne Division in Vietnam as of July 28. Good Luck on your tour of duty.

YOUTH DIVISION — Members of this Division extend a warm welcome to Lieutenant Colonel George C. Schnabel and Major Edwin L. Lawrence on their new assignments.

Good Luck to Major Clarence E. Roy, Jr. on his new assignment as Deputy Chief of Patrol Area II.

Members of this Division extend best wishes to Patrolman John Thomas on his retirement, July 14, with twenty-four years of service.

We wish to express our sympathy to the families of Miss Joyce Blume, Patrolman Junior Chambers and Carroll James upon their recent losses.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT — Welcome aboard to Lieutenant Thomas Hennessey.

"Good-bye and best of luck" to Officer John Price who resigned on July 29 in order to follow his star.

"Good-bye and best of luck" to Major Edwin Lawrence; we sure are going to miss you.

Congratulations and welcome to Major Anton Glover our new Area Chief.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Officers and members of the Southeastern District wish to express sincere sympathy to the family of Patrolman Henry Scales who will be deeply missed by his co-workers.

PLANNING AND RESEARCH DIVISION — Congratulations to Police Agent Harry Koffenberger and his wife, Carolyn on the birth of their son, Michael Bryant, on August 2 and weighing 9 lbs. 2 oz.

CENTRAL DISTRICT — Patrolman and Mrs. Paul A. High wish to an-

nounce the marriage of their daughter, Deborah Alice to Ronald E. Marcus on July 25.

Congratulations to Sergeant William Gossman and his wife, Sandra on the birth of their daughter, Alysia Anne, born July 20 and weighing 7 lbs. 15 oz.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Clerk Betty Tennessee, who was married to Montel Tyler on July 17.

Congratulations to Sergeant Charles R. Blondell and his wife, Josephine, formerly a Policewoman, Northeastern District, on the birth of their son, Charles, II, born July 28 and weighing 8 lbs. 7 oz.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations and continued success for a happy marriage to Patrolman and Mrs. Robert Hurley who celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary on July 27.

Welcome aboard to Clerk Christine Loverde recently assigned to our District.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Homicide Unit — Congratulations to Detective Joseph Thomas and his wife, Andrea, on the birth of their daughter, Joann, born July 13 and weighing 7 lbs.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT — Welcome aboard to Patrolmen Charles Ratliff, Stephen J. Shaffer, Robert L. Brown and John P. Burns.

Patrolman Claud Stith representing the Northwest Boys' Club, along with 5 Counselors, took 25 Boys to the Civic Center for a wrestling match on July 21. Again on July 24, Officer Stith with 4 Counselors, took 45 boys to Memorial Stadium to see the Orioles. Transportation by bus was furnished by the Community Relations Division. The events were through the cooperation of Coach Earl Banks of Morgan State College and the Community Relations Division. Keep up the good work, Officer Stith.

Congratulations to Patrolman Norman F. Buchman and his wife, Cheryl, on the birth of their daughter, Jennifer Dawn, born July 13 and weighing 9 lbs. 7 oz.

Double congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. Martin Ries who celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary and to Officer Ries, recently installed as Commander of the Amer-

ican Legion, Morrell Park Post #137.

A question for Officer John McNally: "How come no necktie at the Annual Crab Feast?"

Congratulations to Patrolman Forest Fox and his wife, Lareau, the happy grandparents of a baby girl, Michele Renee Fox, born July 5 and weighing 6 lbs. The father of the baby, Forest J. Fox is aboard the U. S. S. Decatur, U. S. Navy and is presently at sea. "Foxie" states he is the "youngest grandfather, ever".

In Memoriam

KENDALL, MARGARET E., mother of Patrolman Allen Kendall, Central District, July 22.

MANNION, WILLIAM T., father-in-law of Patrolman Phillip Ehrman, Tactical Section, July 25.

HOHMAN, VICTOR H., father-in-law of Sergeant William B. Clayton, Property Division, July 26.

KERMISCH, ESTHER, mother-in-law of Retired Patrolman Howard B. Young, Communications Division, July 26.

PETERSON, HELEN, wife of the late Patrolman Carl Peterson, Central District, July 26.

HOLLIDAY, EMMA G., mother-in-law of Patrolman John Sullens, Tactical Section, July 29.

HAZARD, GERALDINE, mother of Patrolman Lawrence Johnson, Central District, August 2.

DILLON, ROBERT N., father of Emergency Call Clerk Mary Abrahamsen, Communications Division, August 4.

Final Roll Call

SCALES, HENRY G., Patrolman, Active Duty, Southeastern District and son of Sergeant John J. Scales, Southern District and brother of Patrolman John Scales, Tactical Section, July 24.

HESS, LEO J., Retired Patrolman, Central District, July 28.

HIPSLEY, JAMES E., Retired Patrolman, Southern District, July 30.

WEBB, MARTIN E., Lieutenant, Active Duty, Southern District, August 3.

HENN, NORMAN V. B., Retired Patrolman, Parking Control, Traffic Division, July 29.

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MT. ST. AGNES A Campus Home for Education and Training

For over one hundred years the green fields and forests surrounding Mount Saint Agnes College have resounded to the voices of the school's wholly female undergraduate body and their Roman Catholic instructors. Beginning last Monday, August 16, that scene was irrevocably altered when the Department's Education and Training Division moved into spacious facilities on the Fourth Floor of the campus' McAuley Hall.

As part of an economy move last September, the administrators of Mount Saint Agnes College merged their under-



Driveway entrance to McAuley Hall

graduate body with Loyola College, leaving their traditional home campus on Smith Avenue almost totally vacant. To take advantage of the existing facilities, it was decided to lease space within the college buildings to interested and compatible educational institutions.

The Baltimore Police Department's Education and Training facilities, long housed in a separate wing of the Northern District, were straining under constantly expanding curricula, including the instruction of basic recruit classes,

In-Service Training and Seminars on Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs.

The same Northern District classrooms were being used to house college level law enforcement courses offered on a semester basis by the Community College of Baltimore.

The offer of classroom and office space on the Mount Saint Agnes Campus appeared as an exciting and viable alternative to Northern District. One entire floor with existing classrooms and offices, together with other rooms that could be renovated and put to a wide variety of uses, was too good an opportunity to let pass.

Personnel of the Division made the move during the latter part of the week of August 8th. Renovations of classroom space, which have been carried out entirely by Mount Saint Agnes employees, are expected to be completed by August 25th.

For the first time the Education and Training Division will include in its curriculum the use of a swimming pool and a spacious gymnasium, and also a large athletic field. The number of parking spaces has not been finalized but will easily surpass in numbers those available which were adjacent to Northern.

In addition to the Fourth Floor space, a spacious room on the Third Floor Wing will also be available. At present plans include the establishment of a Departmental lending library within this space, the first time that adequate facilities have ever existed for such an undertaking. The Library represents just one of numerous possibilities to which the new quarters will be put.

Another valuable addition to existing

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LANGSDALE GRADUATION CEREMONY

The final entrance level class to graduate from the old Education and Training location at the Northern District did so August 13, 1971 in ceremonies at the University of Baltimore.

Before receiving their certificates of graduation the new police officers heard talks by Deputy Commissioner Ralph G. Murdy and the guest speaker for the occasion, Major General Lloyd B. Ramsey, Provost Marshal General of the United States Army. General Ramsey's remarks were particularly significant in the light of similarities between duties of the municipal law enforcement officer and the military law enforcement officer.



Major General Lloyd B. Ramsey

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Institute Offered

The University of Maryland will begin its twenty-first annual Law Enforcement Institute, September 14.

The nine sessions of the Institute will be conducted once a month, on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The Tuesday session will be conducted at the University's College Park Campus; A Baltimore location, the Health Sciences Library at Lombard and Green Streets, will host the monthly Wednesday evening schedules.

Sample topic offerings include: "Demonstrations — A Look Behind the Scenes"; "The Drug User" and "Organized Crime."

Grads and Near Grads

Members of the Department attending night school classes and nearing the completion of their intended degree work, should notify the Personnel Division of their expected graduation date.

Similarly, any Officers or personnel who have attained a college degree in the past should submit a transcript of grades and a copy of the degree to the Personnel Division.

In order to receive recognition for completion of a college level curriculum, it is incumbent upon the individual to notify the Personnel Division so that the pertinent information can be recorded and made a part of the Personnel folder.

Campus

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Division facilities is the fact that the Hall boasts two cafeterias open to all participating institutions and serviced by a local caterer. Lunches are offered at reasonable prices, and the school's pervasive cleanliness should heartily improve appetites. There is also a lounge on the First Floor which contains a number of vending machines.

Housed directly above the Department's classrooms and offices, approximately thirty Nuns, members of the Religious Order of the Sisters of Mercy, will retain their quarters for an indefinite period. Temporarily, they will share eating rooms with the Department's uniformed trainees and In-Service Training participants.



The Mt. St. Agnes Educational Center

Primarily, the Sisters practice their teaching profession at Loyola College. But several teach at the Mercy High School and Mercy Hospital and at least one resident member of the Order is a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Maryland.

September will bring an even more contrasting neighbor relationship when the Baltimore College of Commerce commences its classes on the Second and Third Floors of McAuley Hall. In addition, the State of Maryland has leased a separate campus building for use as an elementary school. With the beginning of full-time classes by each of the participating institutions, the College Campus will become known as the Mount Saint Agnes Educational Center.

The newly established center will provide the Baltimore Police Department with ten classrooms and space



for fifteen offices, for both member instructors of the Department and civilian lecturers from the Community College of Baltimore. Ample storage space for teaching aids; recorders, projectors and printed handouts is available on the Fourth Floor together with a Mimeograph Room to aid in the reproduction of the voluminous printed material used by the Division. A lunchroom for the instructors is also included.

Night College Courses administered by the University of Baltimore will be held at McAuley Hall for Departmental



members. The Community College of Baltimore will also split-shift courses in Law Enforcement, on both day and evening schedules.

Perhaps the happiest dividend of the move will be realized in more subtle currency—the fact that the campus atmosphere more readily lends itself to the education and training of young police officers and the retraining of older ones.

The increased space and restful setting of the campus are certainly more conducive to the learning process than the previous facility.



Lock It EVERYTIME!

The week of August 16th through August 20th was formally proclaimed "LOCK YOUR CAR WEEK" by Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro, III, Wednesday, August 11th.

The Baltimore Police Department in cooperation with the Insurance Information Institute conducted a campaign to make the motorist aware of the problems that ensue as a result of not properly locking his car.

Members of the Department and volunteers from various insurance companies in the Baltimore area placed literature on car windshields during the week. In a five day period over 22,000 pieces of literature were distributed. Of these, more than 23% of the cars were found to be unlocked, of which 957 were found to contain valuables.

The campaign was also taken up by the news media in the form of messages which were broadcast with warnings as to the importance of locking vehicles. One of the messages read "Last year more than 10,000 cars were stolen in Baltimore City alone . . . and half of these had been left unlocked."

Easy access and the limited time it takes to steal an automobile makes car theft a crime of opportunity, and car thieves, most of them young, have demonstrated that they are ever ready to take advantage of the situation. When a car falls into the hands of a thief it serves to create numerous problems. They range from financial loss, higher insurance rates, cost of tracing and returning the auto, to the possibility of a damaged auto or never being recovered at all.

The driver who leaves his car unlocked is doing his part to contribute to the already soaring rate of automobile thefts in this country. "Lock It and Pocket the Key" should be practiced every time you leave your vehicle, even if it is "just" for a minute. In many instances, a minute is twice as long as it takes to steal a car.

The ever increasing number of auto thefts indicates the need for a more direct way of making the automobile owner aware of his responsibility, which this program is intended to do. The re-

sponsibility is not only to owners, themselves, and the insurance companies which will have to absorb the loss, but to the potential car thief. By locking the auto the owner has helped to remove the temptation of an easy joy ride from the path of a youthful offender. Approximately 75% of the auto theft offenses are perpetrated by juvenile offenders in this country.

Taking these figures into consideration it is easy to see how most of the car thefts that happen today can be eliminated by the simple precaution of "LOCKING YOUR CAR."



Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro, III signs "Lock Your Car" proclamation as Departmental representatives look on.

Chinese, Anyone?

As anyone who has any time with the Department knows, a professional law enforcement officer should be prepared for any situation. The members of Sergeant Donald Farley's Squad assigned to the Tactical Section are, like the other members of the Department, ready for anything. Some eyebrows must have raised, however, on the night of August 18th when they were called to the Marine Division to board a police boat for a trip out into the harbor to put down a disturbance aboard the freighter, Kingsland Trader.

It seems the crew of the ship was in disagreement with the Captain and some difficulties had ensued. The officers of the Tactical Squad were briefed and were ready. Sergeant Farley, looking at his men, asked half in jest, whether any of them spoke Chinese, the language of the crewmen. To the Sergeant's surprise, Officer Roger Rose, on his first night of duty with the squad, stepped forward, speaking Chinese in a variety of dialects. Needless to say, Sergeant Farley was surprised. But you should have seen the crewmen when a Baltimore Police Officer climbed over the side and with a smile on his face said, "Woy."

Graduation Ceremony

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The General pointed out the similarities in every day duties of Armed Forces Police and civilian police officers with the same emphasis on the protection of persons and property. And he stressed the importance of pride and confidence, on the part of the law enforcement officer, for the professional task each must carry out.

General Ramsey, whose career in the military is long and distinguished, told the graduates that they "*were taught principles*" while at the Education and Training Division. But he warned that the officers will now "*run across situations which are not covered in the book.*" The modern law enforcement officer, he said, must make decisions based upon knowledge of his profession and the law.

The Provost Marshal General pointed out that Baltimore's police officers belong to "*one of the finest law enforcement agencies in the country.*" And, he said, "*you carry your own reputation and that of the Department*" everytime you come in contact with a citizen.

General Ramsey, who in 1969, commanded the Americal Division in Vietnam, called upon police officers to exercise leadership when dealing with young people. He said that in spite of communications difficulties between the older generation and today's youth, the youngsters coming up now are the best educated, most informed young people ever. Tomorrow's leaders, he said, will be chosen among today's youth. And he urged the officers to try to understand young people, their problems and their aspirations.

Finally the General congratulated the new graduates on their educational accomplishment and he wished them every success in their new profession.

Upon completion of the graduation exercises the new police officers and their families joined the Command Staff for refreshments.

NEWS IN BRIEF

CENTRAL DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. Tyler J. Tyson on the birth of their daughter, Tywanda, born on August 5 and weighing 8 lbs. 11 oz.

Welcome back to Policewoman Joan Barnard after her recent hospital visit. We also wish a speedy recovery to Policewoman Sharon Martin, who is recuperating at her home; also to Patrolman Clarence Thomas, presently recuperating at his home.

INTERNAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Congratulations to Major and Mrs. Lawrence W. Bowe who became proud grandparents for the first time when their daughter, Mrs. Debra Hornby, presented them with a granddaughter, Heather Michelle, on July 20, 1971. The baby weighed 8 lbs. 12 oz. Her daddy, Thomas Hornby is presently on active duty with the U.S. Air Force.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Homicide Unit — Congratulations to Detective Joseph Mon and his wife, Diane, on the birth of their daughter, Melissa Rene, on July 18 and weighing 7 lbs. 14 oz.

Narcotics Unit — Congratulations to Detective and Mrs. Robert S. Nelson, Jr., who became the proud parents of a daughter, Stacey Lynn, born August 17 and weighing 6 lbs. 11 oz.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Welcome aboard to Lieutenant Edward Weichert, recently transferred to this District.

Good luck and best wishes to Lieutenant John C. Schmitt on his recent assignment to the Chief of Patrol's Office.

Congratulations to Lieutenant Colonel George C. Schnabel on his promotion and new assignment.

Members of this District extend a warm welcome back to Major Wilbur Miller; Welcome Aboard to Police Agent James Godown, Officers Theodore Brown, Joseph Candella, Charles Johnson, John McClellan and Albert Wilkins.

Police Agent Wallace C. Brenton, III, of our Plainclothes Squad, recently attended the F.B.I. Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs two-week training course. He was valedictorian of the class with a score of 99 on the final Exam. Congratulations "WALLY" on

a job well done.

We wish to extend sincere sympathy to Lieutenant Lawrence Hennessey on his recent loss and to Mrs. "Dotty" Collins on the death of our recently retired Officer Tom Collins.

CENTRAL RECORDS DIVISION — Congratulations to Lieutenant Fred H. Heiderman who is celebrating three important occasions in August—his birthday, August 3rd; five years as a Lieutenant, August 4th and twenty years with the Department, August 23rd.

NORTHERN DISTRICT — The Waverly Newsletter gave prominent space to Patrolman Hugh Bannon. He was their Policeman of the Month. Attention was called to his devotion to duty and the admiration and esteem in which he is held by this business community. Hats off to you, Officer Bannon - we knew this all the time!

WESTERN DISTRICT — Welcome back to Clerk I Frances T. Evans after a wonderful trip to Montego Bay.

What was the score of the ball game — 28 to 1! Western over Northwestern. Look out, Central you're next. And this wasn't our first string with DePaola out.

Welcome to Western, Major Clarence Roy. So long to Major Wilbur Miller. It's been a pleasure.

We are so happy about the recovery of Sergeant Charles Dickens' brother, Fred Dickens. You can't keep a good man down.

Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. Ronald Andrews on the birth of their son, Jason Robert, on August 7 and weighing 7 lbs. 6 oz.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman William Zittle and his wife, Mary Ann, on the birth of their third son, Timothy Christopher, on August 2 and weighing 9 lbs. 4 oz.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT — Patrolman and Mrs. John Gray became the very surprised parents of twins, a boy, Jeffery John and a girl, Stacy Lynn, on August 14. Unexpected, but a very welcome surprise.

Congratulations to Dominic Tiburzi, the son of our Sergeant and Mrs. George Tiburzi, who will enter Virginia Polytechnic Institute as a sophomore, skipping the freshman year. This is completely due to his high scholastic standing from the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

Congratulations to Felicia Farace, the daughter of our Sergeant Philip C. Farace, for making the All Star Team in the 11-12 division of the softball league sponsored by the Reisterstown Recreation Council. Miss Farace played an important part in leading her team, The Oriettes, to the Division Championship.

Welcome aboard to the following personnel recently transferred to the Youth Section: Policewomen Mary C. Gaston and Dorothy Charles; Sergeant Joseph Goddard, Jr.; Police Agent Everett Ross and Patrolmen Robert P. Day, Henry C. Nelson, Robert Ross and James McGuire.

In Memoriam

LINDNER, HENRY, father of Patrolman Brent M. Lindner, Southern District, August 4.

ARCZYNSKI, LOUIS E., LIEUT. COL., U.S.A., brother of Patrolman Milton F. Arczynski, Tactical Section, August 6.

CLEARY, LLOYD B., father of Patrolman Lloyd D. Cleary, Eastern District, August 8.

HENNESSEY, MARY E., mother of Lieutenant Lawrence Hennessey, Southeastern District, August 10.

MARSHAL, MARGARET, sister of Patrolman James Bowling, Eastern District, August 10.

WOREN, ANTHONY A., brother of Sergeant Nicholas Woren, Central Records Division, August 10.

MCKAY, MARY, mother of Lieutenant Robert R. McKay, Criminal Investigation Division, Vice Section, August 14.

Final Roll Call

STRUCKRATH, FERDINAND, Patrolman, Active Duty, Personnel Division, Casual Section, August 8.

LOUIS, GEORGE JOSEPH, JR., Retired Sergeant, Traffic Division, August 9.

COLLINS, THOMAS E., Retired Patrolman, Southeastern District, August 10.

SCHRAML, JOSEPH G., Retired Sergeant, Western District, August 16.

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This Police Van Provides Place to Play Checkers

The following article appeared August 31 and is reprinted in its entirety with the permission of the NEWS-AMERICAN.

For many kids in Baltimore neighborhoods, a policeman is a bad guy who arrests people. But for some city kids a policeman is also the guy who teaches you how to play checkers. And he's not such a bad guy after all — once you get to know him.

The change of image is being brought about through the work of the Community Relations Division of the Baltimore Police Department. Aware that it's easier to understand and like someone if you know him, planners are working to bring members of the community and officers together in pleasant situations.

The latest move in this direction is a huge expandable van that once served as a communications center for Civil Defense. On the road the monster is 52 feet long and nine feet wide.

Once it is parked on a vacant lot, however, and its crew has set to work pulling out the sides, it becomes 32 feet wide and a real child magnet. After all, who could resist the spectacle of a van growing before your very eyes?

"Sure, we distribute flyers through a community to tell we'll be there, but the sight of that truck being opened up is what really draws the children," said Sgt. Mercedes Rankin, a most attractive member of the van's crew.

Sgt. Rankin, a veteran of more than 10 years with the city force, is along to aid adult members of the community with their problems. Sometimes it's something she can fix; other times she knows where to refer a troubled citizen.

Other members of the crew are Officer E. H. Davenport, a quiet man with the patience to teach chess to a 10 year-old

and Officer Friendly, a local classroom celebrity who can stay active through a day of 90-degree heat and 300 kids without losing his cool or the crease in his trousers.

The Truck, which has been in operation little more than a week, has already been proclaimed a success by its crew.

"We've been averaging 300 youngsters and about 30 adults a day," explained Officer Davenport. The van is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and there are games, demonstrations and movies for the children.

For the adults there is information and sometimes advice. There are also movies on self defense, first aid, and other useful subjects.

"It's a small but important step in understanding," explained Sgt. Rankin. "It brings officers and children together in a happy relationship that leads to understanding."

For the past week the van has been parked in a vacant lot on Belvedere Avenue near Reistertown Road in the Pimlico area. At the request of parents, the van is packed with information, pamphlets and flyers on drug abuse.

Do you know, in this whole area there is not one playground!" Sgt. Rankin said. "In this whole overcrowded area not one playground!"

"And the kids really appreciate the van. See this lot, it was covered with trash. The Youngsters came in with bags and brooms and cleared it so it would be clean for us," she said.

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RECRUITMENT *Efforts never Ending*

In any organization, manpower is the foundation of success. Gaining and maintaining a high level of potentially professional employees is a never ending process; a process that demands a constant attention to excellence.

For the past four years, the Recruitment Unit of the Personnel Division has borne the heaviest part of the responsibility. The Unit has maintained a steady influx of new Probationary Patrolmen, more than offsetting the normal attrition experienced by any large organization.

The situation wasn't always as stable as it is today. In 1966, the Department listed over four hundred vacancies for Police Officers. Just as potentially disastrous, the Department's outgo — Officers retiring or terminating their employment — was greater than the number of new men monthly entering.



Recruitment Officer Charles Markiewicz assists Applicant.

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Director Ashburn Leaves

A four year association with the Baltimore Police Department came to an end Wednesday, September 1 with the resignation of Dr. Franklin G. Ashburn as Director of the Planning and Research Division.

Dr. Ashburn had joined the Department in July, 1967 after leaving a post at Florida State University where he had served as an Assistant Professor of Criminology and Corrections.



His decision to leave the Department was predicated upon a strong desire to return to the academic community. Many progressive improvements resulted from the programs and procedures implemented by him during his stay with the Department.

With the wealth of experience gained from this and previous positions, Dr. Ashburn's future success within the academic community seems most definitely assured.

Efforts

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It took a carefully constructed campaign of intelligent recruiting and many months of intensive work to turn that situation around. Dominant among the tactics employed were the out of state visits to military bases, where experience had proven that a large pool of highly suitable candidates could be contacted.

Improved working conditions were also a major factor in successful recruiting. The effect of weighted analysis insured roughly parallel levels of work regardless of the Officers assigned district, division or post. Salary levels also increased steadily, adding an additional and highly tangible incentive to entering the Department.

Another important consideration, perhaps the most significant, involved the progressively changing attitudes of veteran officers who became the first recipients of internal improvements and resultant heightened morale. In the final analysis, it was the cumulative attitudes of the Department's active members that most significantly changed public thinking concerning a law enforcement career.

Even the best salesman could not sell a product in which he didn't fully believe. So it was with the Department's members. Throughout their workdays — in the thousands of daily contacts with the citizens of Baltimore; through their professional bearing and appearance, it was the active members of the Department that most fully contributed to the complete elimination of vacancies. And the personnel of the Recruitment Unit are the first to reveal the fact.

Today the Recruitment Unit continues to perform its primary role, confident that they represent a demanding but satisfying profession, and a vigorous, constantly improving Department. They serve as the initial hurdle, separating true potential Policemen from those who cannot qualify.

Their weeknights are devoted to administering Civil Service tests at the various Districts — an actual reaching out for applicants whose schedules might not otherwise permit them to take the test offered daily at the Civil Service Commission.

The Recruitment Van works the neighborhood level during the day, screening interested applicants and advertising the benefits of a law enforcement career. Aside from their obvious recruiting value, the Officers manning the vehicle don't overlook the value of public relations and wide citizen-Department contact. Every effort is made to reach and positively influence the maximum number of citizens.

Recruitment representatives still visit area high schools and colleges to obtain qualified applicants. During the past year, for the first time, the Department participated in "Operation Native Son" a locally sponsored program designed to familiarize area college graduates of the opportunities available to them in the surrounding community, since much of the Department's recruiting effort is concentrated within the City of Baltimore.

The workload is a heavy one; made more so by the fact that only about thirty to thirty-five per cent of those applicants who take the Civil Service test are actually qualified to be appointed as Probationary Patrolmen. These few, who represent the finest that Baltimore and other areas of the country have to offer, are the result of the Recruitment Unit's ceaseless search for quality in the field of law enforcement.

But even after monthly figures are compiled, statistics themselves cannot possibly measure the qualitative efforts of the Recruitment Unit. In the final analysis, it is the performance of the young officers that most accurately reflects success or failure in the crucial selection process. Based on their past performance, the men of the Recruitment Unit have consistently done an outstanding job.

Police Van

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After the kids had worked almost a whole day to clear the lot, some unthinking piggish adults came in and dumped two bags of garbage on the swept site.

The van as yet has no regular schedule of stops. It will go next to the Cherry Hill area after Sgt. Rankin scouts a site big enough to take the huge truck. If the experiment is judged to be a success, then a schedule will be set up, perhaps right through the winter.

Promotions

Promotional ceremonies took place on Tuesday, September 7, 1971 at 9:30 A.M. in the Traffic Roll Call Room. The ceremonies involved twenty-four members of the Baltimore Police Department.

Promoted to the rank of Captain were the following Lieutenants: Ronald J. Mullen, Commissioner's Office; Bishop L. Robinson of Education and Training Division; and Joseph DiCarlo, Personnel Division.

Promoted to the rank of Lieutenant were the following Sergeants: Herbert F. Armstrong, Operations Bureau; Paul F. Bailey, Central District; Charles R. Blondell, Southern District; John J. Brennan, Property Division; William J. Eusini, Central District; Herbert C. Hoover, Northeastern District and Leon N. Tomlin, Criminal Investigation Division.

Promoted to the rank of Sergeant were the following Patrolmen: Jess R. Baker, Criminal Investigation Division; John F. Brennan, Tactical Section; Frederick A. Conjour, Southwestern District; Charles Lee Cumberledge, Sr., Laboratory Division; Paul A. Egbert, Northwestern District; Harry C. Foard, Northwestern District; Ronald L. Ford, Tactical Section; Howard B. Fromm, Criminal Investigation Division; Earl R. Gillespie, Southwestern District; Francis T. Koziel, Communications Division; John J. MacGillivray, Planning & Research Division; Donald C. Voss, Western District; Bernard L. Wehage, Central District and George H. Wockenfuss, Southwestern District.

APPRECIATION

Dear Sir:

Kindly extend my thank you, to all the men, in your departments who have been so kind to me during my recent loss. It is difficult to express how much I appreciated the many thoughtful gestures, in the way of pallbearers, mass cards, floral arrangements and personal visits.

My family and I will long cherish the memory in which all men paid their final tribute to Marty.

Sincerely,
Frances K. Webb

Freeze Facts

Much of the confusion that greeted President Richard Nixon's initial announcement of Wage Price Freeze has abated. In the interests of those members still unsure of the announcement's effect on the Department, the City Payroll Supervisor explained the major effects as they apply to Baltimore City employees.

Included in the Wage Freeze are increment increases, longevity payments and the wage increase previously scheduled to become effective during the pay period commencing August 5, 1971 and thereafter.

According to the Office of Emergency Preparedness, actual promotional raises, when the promotion is to a higher level of responsibility or supervision, are permitted.

And, of course, no retroactive payments will be allowed.

To Save A Life

Every Policeman knows that during the performance of his duty he may be faced with the responsibility of taking or saving a life. Monday, August 23, was just such an occasion for Sergeant Eugene Hyatt and Officer David Turrini of the Western District.

At 1:30 in the morning the two policemen responded to a hold-up alarm at a gasoline station in the 2800 block West Franklin Street. When the two Officers arrived, they were met by the attendant of the station. He told them that a man had driven into the station and requested aid, saying he was having a heart attack. When the attendant attempted to summon help by phone, he found it to be out of order. In desperation he set off the hold-up alarm.

Upon learning of the man's plight, Officer Turrini immediately gave artificial respiration since the victim had stopped breathing, while Sergeant Hyatt applied closed chest massage. When the man's breathing was again started the Officers decided to transport him to the hospital themselves because the ambulance they had summoned had not yet arrived, and it was obvious that time was critical. As a result of the exceptional effort put forth by the two Officers, the man recovered, and was released from the hospital.

"Foxtrot" — RAPID RESPONSE

As normal procedure since its inception, the Foxtrot series has responded to all in-progress calls broadcast by KGA. This procedure resulted in a significant number of arrests, even before the unit became fully operational in May of this year.

On August 31st, for example, while on routine patrol over the southwestern section of the city, 44 foxtrot monitored a call for an assault and robbery in progress. The incident was reported to have happened in the 4300 block of Liberty Heights Avenue in the Northwestern District.

The helicopter, Flight Officer Scott Miskimon and Aerial Observer John Rourke aboard, responded to the scene in less than 90 seconds. The response was so fast, in fact, that the suspect was spotted before he had gotten a block from the crime scene. The suspect, who had become aware of the Helicopter's presence, attempted to secrete himself twice unsuccessfully in the bushes of nearby yards. The helicopter hovered above him until ground units in the area arrived and effected the arrest. It was later discovered that the subject was wanted on an assault and robbery warrant for an earlier offense.

Memorial Plaque Presented

On August 16th, at the monthly meeting of the K-9 Law Enforcement Association, Officer David Stuller of the Tactical Section K-9 Unit was presented with a plaque to commemorate the loss of his dog, Shane, who died in the line of duty in June of this year.

The Plaque was presented by Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau and Association President Paul Mossberg of the Frederick City Police Department at the meeting which was held at the Stafford Hotel. The presentation was also attended by Deputy Commissioner Frank J. Battaglia, Lieutenant Colonel Donald T. Shanahan, Captain Francis X. Hayes and Lieutenant Horace M. Lowman.

NEWS IN BRIEF

OPERATIONS BUREAU — Our little "half pint" formerly Jill Redding became Mrs. Douglas Aker on August 14 at St. Elizabeth's Church. The happy couple honeymooned in the New England States.

PLANNING AND RESEARCH DIVISION — The members of this Division want to wish Dr. Ashburn the best of luck in his new endeavor.

Congratulations to Clerk Charlene Stefan on her recent engagement to Mr. Bud Otell.

Our Division expresses sincere sympathy to Officer Weston Bousman of the Helicopter Unit, on his recent loss.

TRAFFIC DIVISION — Retired Officer Daniel R. Oppel and his wife, Betty are the proud parents of a daughter, Victoria Ann, born July 29 and weighing 7 lbs. 8 oz.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION — During the months of July and August, about 2,000 inner-city children were taken on scenic tours throughout Baltimore and Washington. A job well done by Sergeant John Vogl and his men on a successful Summer program.

Congratulations to Sergeant Charles Zeunges, who was recently awarded the Knights of Columbus National Award for his outstanding achievement in Youth Work. During the past two years, Sergeant Zeunges as State Deputy for the Maryland Knights of Columbus has completely re-organized the Columbian Squires Youth Program, doubled the number of units in the State and achieved an 80% increase in the number of boys involved in the program. This award is especially appropriate since, for the past three years, Sergeant Zeunges has been a member of the Youth Section.

PERSONNEL DIVISION — Applicant Investigation Section — Major Lon F. Rowlett presented Officer Edward H. Campbell, of the Applicant Investigation Section, his Retirement Certificate on August 25. The Section wishes you, Ed, a long and happy retirement.

NORTHERN DISTRICT — We extend our sympathy to School Crossing Guard Mrs. Naomi Belle Fitzhugh on her recent loss.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations and best wishes for a successful and happy marriage to Officer Wesley Wise and Margaret Ann Schroeder. They exchanged their vows on August 14 at St. Francis de Sales Church; they honeymooned in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION — Welcome aboard to Officer John McKinley and Cadet Edward Braddy newly assigned this Division.

Congratulations to Officer Stanley Rodgers who passed his high school equivalency test for the State of Maryland.

Best wishes to Cadet Stephen Cole on his new assignment to the Traffic Division.

Congratulations to Police Clerk I Theresa M. Connor, secretary to Major Robert E. Norton, for being the August recipient of the "Tip of the Hat" award.

EASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Officer Robert Brown and his wife, Linda, on the birth of their son, Daniel Lee, born August 20 and weighing 6 lbs 6 oz.

Congratulations to Officer Buford Viars and the former Miss Laura Carroll who were married on September 4. Lots of luck, Butch.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT — Welcome aboard to Patrolmen Vernon L. Dranbauer, Roy M. Kyle, Jr. and Clerk II Joyce A. Turner recently assigned to our District.

Congratulations to Officer Richard A. Scharper and his bride, Theresa Burton who were married on July 24.

Our condolences to Patrolman Robert Philburn on his recent loss.

The Northwest Boys' Club is in full swing these days. August 5 - Patrolman Claude Stith, Ralph Hudson and Sergeant William Clark accompanied 41 boys to the Colt Training Camp in Westminster, Maryland and all had a lovely day.

August 18 — Officer Stith took 20 boys to the Civic Center for the wrestling matches.

August 21 — Officer Stith with 4 other chaperons and 38 boys went to the Stadium for the ball game.

To all the men who have helped with these projects, we say "Keep up the good work."

SOUTHERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman John Webb and

his wife, Linda, on the birth of a daughter, born August 23 and weighing 7 lbs. 12 oz.

Congratulations to Patrolman James Dickerson and his wife, Mary, on the birth of a daughter, Rebecca Lynn, born August 16 and weighing 7 lbs. 5 oz.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Welcome back to Clerk Angela Aliberti after her month long trip to her native Italy.

RECRUITMENT UNIT — Best Wishes for a speedy recovery to Sergeant Louis Baronella injured on Friday, August 27.

In Memoriam

PHILBURN, George Albert, Sr., father of Patrolman Robert Philburn, Northwestern District, August 21.

SCHEIDT, Frank C., father of Patrolman Alan Scheidt, Southeastern District, August 23.

McKENNA, George, father of Patrolman Nelson McKenna, Northern District, August 25.

HORN, Margaret E., mother of Clerk Gloria Popp, Personnel Division, August 26.

DICKERSON, Valentine L., wife of Patrolman Melvin E. Dickerson, Traffic Enforcement Section, August 27.

STANBOUGH, David W., father-in-law of Patrolman Albert A. Smith, Tactical Section, August 28.

BOUSMAN, Floyd W., father of Patrolman Weston Bousman, Helicopter Unit, August 30.

SWIEC, Mary, grandmother of Officer John Swiec, Southern District, August 30.

TROSTLE, J. F., father of Mrs. Anna T. Krause, Clerk I, Laboratory Division, August 31.

GRENAGLE, Irvin, step-father of Officer John Kinsey, Southern District, September 1.

Final Roll Call

BYRNE, Joseph J., Retired Lieutenant, Criminal Investigation Division, Vice Section, August 19.

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Bronze Star

Finesse Earns Commendations

The following article is published as the first of a continuing series: conceived to bring some additional recognition to those Officers who have been commended for intelligent and courageous police work. The accounts of the incidents are taken from Meritorious Conduct Report Forms.

When necessary, as in the story below, the names of victims, assailants or other involved civilians will be changed.

Northwestern District Officer Martin Ries hardly knew what to expect while responding to a call of shots being fired in the 2900 block of Whitney Avenue. He had handled calls like this before and knew enough to realize that the unexpected was ordinary. The sequence of events that followed bore out his belief.

First units on the scene were met by Mrs. Arthur Fischer. She had told them that her husband had acted irrationally for several hours previous to the incident. Without warning he had seized his shotgun, loaded it, and threatened her, firing twice at her through the front window of their home as she fled. Fearing for her own safety, she called the Police.

At the scene, Officer Ries was met by Officer Charles Schackert who explained that Mr. Fischer had barricaded himself inside the house and threatened anyone who approached, all the time brandishing the loaded shotgun. With Mrs. Fischer already safe, the only remaining concern remained in the house with her enraged husband: their four small children.

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UNOFFICIAL TALLY RUNS SMOOTHLY



Tuesday, September 14, marked the return of a tradition to the Election process in Baltimore. The tradition, of course, was the tabulation of the unofficial election tally by members of the Baltimore Police Department.

Last year, in an effort to free Department manpower for other duties, the City of Baltimore contracted a private concern to tally the vote. The problems were numerous and there were certainly many reasons for the delay in obtaining a final count. The result, whatever the reason, was that the candidates and the public were forced to wait until break-fast time before they knew who won in many of the races. Despite improvements in the new system last year the November election also ran later than we preferred.

The 1971 City Primary was a very different story. The Police Commissioner decided that in order to avoid unnecessary confusion and delay it would be best to resume the tabulating chore with Police personnel.

Planning for the tally began several months in advance. Space, in the War

Memorial Building was reserved and a preliminary survey resulted in a lay-out of counting activities which was to prove extremely efficient.

Two weeks before the election, members of the various news media were notified and their space requirements noted. Floor plans were finalized for both the unofficial vote count and for press and public viewing facilities.

An elaborate system of communications and transportation was instituted to assure speedy reception of the vote count from the 548 polling places in the City. And at 8:15 p.m. just minutes after the Polling Places closed their doors to the voters, the first results began to trickle in.

Prior to that, members of the Education and Training Division, who were assigned the task of transposing the unofficial vote count from the large tally sheets from each polling place to small perforated tabulating sheets, underwent an intensive briefing. All types of contingencies and problems were outlined in advance so that when the problems

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BLACKED-OUT No More

During the blackouts of World War II the skylight in the Central District lock-up caused problems. There weren't any shades on it and the roof of the cell block was like a beacon on the otherwise darkened horizon. Officials put a stop to that problem by painting the skylight black. Of course that stopped sunlight from coming in as well as artificial light going out.

Recently an inspector for the State Prison system looked the facilities over and among other things noticed that the skylight was still in World War II blackout condition. Since there hasn't been a threat of air raids in decades he ordered the windows cleaned so that those being detained in the lock-up would be able to at least have the small luxury of sunlight in the daytime.

The cleaning operation necessitated the evacuation of the cell block for most of the week while workman sand-blasted the glass roofing sections. And with a ton of sand being used on the inside of the windows a digging out operation followed.

The cell block is still old, but at least now anyone detained there can tell whether its day or night.

Bronze Star

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Officers Ries and Schackert decided to try finesse rather than force. Through Mrs. Fischer they managed to contact the barricaded man's attorney, John Miller, at his office. Apprised of the situation, Miller agreed to phone Mr. Fischer and try to talk him into surrendering.

While Fischer was engaged on the phone, Officer James Birch, who had spotted a way into the bedroom where the children were being held, forced open the window and began to enter. Suspecting something, Fischer dropped the phone and ran into the bedroom, still holding the shotgun. Birch was able to exit undetected. When Fischer returned to the phone, Birch again entered and got each of the young children out of the house to safety.

Meanwhile, Fischer's attorney had convinced him to lay his shotgun on the front porch of the house and leave it there. Contacting the Officers who surrounded the residence, Miller told them that he didn't believe his client owned any other weapons.

The gun was found on the porch and confiscated.

Fischer was not through, however. He continued his refusal to surrender and shouted threats at Officers who appeared in front of the house.

Ries and Schackert realized that few alternatives to a violent solution to the impasse now presented themselves. Deciding again to try finesse, the Officers forced an inside hallway door, not knowing for certain whether or not Fischer had rearmed himself. Moving cautiously they located the deranged man in a bedroom of his now darkened home, and managed to subdue him with a minimum of force. Some quiet courage had abated a potentially very dangerous situation.

The Meritorious Conduct report best characterized the significance of the action: "... their calmness in the face of repeated threats from an armed deranged individual, their disregard of their own safety as opposed to that of others is an outstanding example of meritorious conduct."

Fischer was tried and ordered held for a psychiatric examination.

American Day Parade

Baltimore's largest parade took place Sunday, September 19 in the city's southeastern section. More than one quarter of a million people lined the streets and avenues leading to the parade's final stop at Patterson Park.

The Department had prepared detailed contingency plans weeks in advance to insure the safe and orderly movement of people and traffic. The plans were a success as three hundred and fifty uniformed officers reported no disturbances, and a thoroughly enjoyable time for all.

Fort Ritchie Flag

Once again more than 500 boys from the inner city spent two weeks in the mountain air at Fort Ritchie nestled in Maryland's Catocin Mountains. The young men, members of Baltimore Police Boys Clubs and Boy Scout Troops took over a section of the Army installation and for two weeks lived a life of fun and leisure.

The program, in its 26th year, drew to a close just before school began its fall term. The many officers of the Baltimore Police Department, who acted as camp counselors for the summer, cleaned up and returned to the city and their regular duties. The boys returned with a lot of happy memories.

In appreciation of the fine cooperation extended by the United States Army, in making space available at Fort Ritchie, Major Edwin L. Lawrence, presented the Fort a new Maryland State Flag. This token of appreciation was accepted by Fort Ritchie's Commanding Officer Colonel Robert E. Dunlap.



Major Edwin L. Lawrence and Lieutenant Colonel George C. Schnabel present Maryland State Flag to U. S. Army Colonel Robert E. Dunlap, Commander of Fort Ritchie.

Unofficial Tally

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came up the Education and Training Division students would be prepared to handle them.

Special arrangements which were undertaken to speed the tally included use of tables to handle overflow (a lot of returns from one area all arriving at the same time) and special handling of improperly completed returns from the various Precincts and Wards.

The actual counting of the votes was accomplished by clerks from various Bureaus and Divisions within the Department. These ladies, some veterans of many election nights, others, brand new and ready for the challenge, also received a special briefing. They were instructed on the method of tabulation and what to do when problems arose.



When the votes started pouring in Departmental personnel were ready. The returns arrived in their sealed blue envelopes at the Harrison Street entrance to the War Memorial. Runners placed the envelopes in a basket which was hoisted to the counting room on the second floor.

Each return was logged in at the door, it went to the tables manned by Education and Training Division, the information was transferred, a separating crew divided the return into various districts and election categories, and the ladies tabulated the results. Several energetic Police Cadets then brought the results down to the first floor where the press and public eagerly waited updated reports flashed onto the projection screens strung across the front of the room.

There were several minor problems, some returns were not correctly filled in and had to be re-worked, but nothing serious or at all reminiscent of the problems of a year ago. The major

problem in the tally, many said, was the temperature. The War Memorial is not air conditioned and its windows are sealed closed. Despite the discomfort, however, there were smiling faces behind all of the tabulating tables, the ladies kept at their chores and the vote count climbed steadily



Shortly before 11:00 p.m. Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau paid a visit to the tabulating area. He personally greeted the ladies and sworn personnel to pass along his appreciation for the splendid job they'd done in getting the vote count to the public. The Commissioner asked various individuals whether there had been any problems in their particular areas of responsibility and was told that everything was going quite well.

The Commissioner also stopped by to greet the members of the press and public who were standing watch on the considerably cooler lower level of the War Memorial Building. He shared with them the satisfaction of seeing the vote count climb steadily and without undue delay.



Box 414 Association, which turns out with refreshment at all the right times in Baltimore, played a major role in the election night process. The coffee, cold soft-drinks, and pastries quenched thirsts and cooled dry throats in the tabulating area. These volunteers contributed to the speed of the vote count by assuring that all Department personnel had a chance to take a quick break before getting back to the tabulating chores.

Preliminary estimates on completion

of the vote count had ranged from four to five or possibly six hours. But because of the elaborate preparations, the training and experience of Departmental personnel, the final returns were viewed by the press and public several minutes before midnight. And by the "witching hour" most of the members of the Department detailed to the War Memorial were either home or well on their way.

While attention was focused on the War Memorial and recognition was being given all of those laboring there, other members of the Department were doing their part to assure the smoothness of the Democratic Process. Officers assisted the judges and election officials at each of the 548 polling places. Other officials drove through the city in the early darkness to speed the returns to the War Memorial. Members of the State's Attorney's Office, who'd spent the day at the various polling places to lend their legal expertise when needed,



continued to stand by in case there was a need for legal advice at any stage in the process.

In all, more than 650 members of the Department were directly involved in the 1971 Baltimore City Primary. Each did his best to provide the professional service members of the community have grown to expect from the Baltimore Police Department, in most any capacity.

Feed-back from the citizens and officials of the government indicates a general appreciation of the election tabulation. A good night for Baltimore residents and members of the Department who have now returned to their daily routines of providing law enforcement services to the community.

Next, the November Election and the plans are already being made. We hope that members of the Department will be able to repeat their splendid performance of September 14th.

NEWS IN BRIEF

PERSONNEL DIVISION — Recruitment — Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. Charles Markiewicz on the celebration of their 18th Wedding Anniversary on September 5.

PROPERTY DIVISION — Congratulations to a "Good Guy" Lieutenant John J. Brennan on his recent promotion.

INSPECTIONAL SERVICES DIVISION — Major Bernard F. Norton presented Officer Frederick C. Wilson his retirement certificate on September 1st. Fred was also presented a gold watch from the Division as a token of best wishes for a long and happy retirement.

Best wishes are extended to former Clerk Elizabeth DePolo who recently resigned to pursue a personal ambition in the entertainment field.

Welcome aboard to Clerk Margaret Talbott, recently transferred to I.S.D. from the Operations Bureau.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery for Mrs. Mary L. Buck, the wife of Detective Edward Buck.

TACTICAL SECTION — Best wishes to Patrolman Richard Walsh and his bride, the former Barbara Mae Cramer on their marriage which took place on September 11. The happy couple spent their honeymoon in Bermuda.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Narcotics Unit — Congratulations to Lieutenant Leon N. Tomlin who was promoted on September 7, 1971. He will remain in the Narcotics Unit — as one of the needles!!!

Welcome aboard to Police Agent Ray Malczewski who was recently transferred to us from Eastern District.

Farewell to Police Agent Charlie Walas on his new assignment to the Eastern District.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Clerk Adele Sorge, who on September 6 completed 25 years of service with the Department.

We extend sincere sympathy to the family of Retired Sergeant John F. McGinnis on their recent loss.

Members of our District would like to thank the Fitzhugh family for their remembrance and well phrased tribute to Law Enforcement Officers in general and especially the Policemen from the Northeastern District.

EASTERN DISTRICT — Members of the Eastern wish a speedy recovery to Sergeant Vincent Cusimano, presently confined in Children's Hospital, Room 439, for an operation. Hurry and get well, Sergeant.

Congratulations to Officer George Noll on his recent marriage to the former Miss Valeria Ann Schroeder. The happy event took place on September 11.

Congratulations to Officer Ronald Smedberg on his recent marriage to the former Miss Gloria Rynkowski. The happy couple were married on August 14.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations and best wishes to the following personnel on their promotions and new assignments: Sergeants Frederick A. Conjour, Earl R. Gillespie and George H. Wockenfuss.

Best wishes for a long and happy retirement to School Crossing Guard Katherine Fremd.

Members of this District extend sincere sympathy to Officer Stanley Budny on his recent loss.

TRAFFIC DIVISION — Traffic Analysis Unit — Congratulations and best wishes for a successful and happy marriage to the former Miss Shirley Metzger, Clerk. She became Mrs. Shirley Martin on August 28.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Sergeant James Wilhelm and his wife, Joan, on the birth of a son, Patrick Michael, born September 14 and weighing 8 lbs. 7 oz.

Congratulations to Patrolman Charles R. Brown and his wife, Patricia, on the birth of a daughter, Sandra Marie, born August 31 and weighing 6 lbs. 7 oz.

Congratulations to Leroy Dedmon, Jr. on his marriage to Miss Jane Morris, on August 6. Leroy, Jr. is the son of our Sergeant Leroy Dedmon. The newlyweds will make their home in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Congratulations to the following personnel on their promotions, new assignments and transfers: Lieutenants Herbert Armstrong, Charles R. Blondell; Sergeants Harry Foard, Paul Egbert and John F. Brennan.

Bon Voyage to Lieutenant Edwin Boston and good luck in your new assignment.

CENTRAL RECORDS DIVISION — Identification Section — Congratulations, best wishes, and a fond farewell

to Cadets Harry Bavis and John Grimes. We hope that your 16 weeks will go fast and we are looking forward to your picture requests.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Members of the District wish a speedy recovery to Officer Walter Strzelczyk, after undergoing surgery, and now recuperating at home.

Congratulations to Officer Albert Denis and his wife, Genevieve, on the birth of their son, Michael Bryan, on August 30 and weighing 6 lbs.

Congratulations and best wishes to Officer William Downing and his new bride, the former Carmetta Carter, on their marriage on August 22.

In Memoriam

OSTERMAN, FREDERICK B., grandfather of Patrolman Robert V. Ewing, Southern District, September 2.

KAUFER, ALBERT, grandfather of Police Agent Gilbert Robinette, Planning and Research Division, September 6.

RAVENIS, LILLIAN E., sister of Store Keeper Paul A. Karaskavicz, Property Division and aunt of Detective Paul A. Karaskavicz, Criminal Investigation Division, September 7.

BUNDY, ANNA MARIE, wife of Patrolman Stanley Budny, Southwestern District, September 8.

NORTON, ROSE, mother of Major Bernard F. Norton, Inspectional Services Division, September 13.

CRAMBLITT, ROBERT C., father-in-law of Sergeant Charles E. Reed, Communications Division, September 14.

Final Roll Call

McGINNIS, JOHN, Retired Sergeant, Northeastern District, September 2.

FISCHER, LEO ADAM, Retired Patrolman, Communications Division and wife, VERA, September 4.

SOLLERS, EDGAR, SR. Retired Detective Patrolman, Criminal Investigation Division and father of Patrolman Edgar Sollers, Jr., Communications Division, September 12.

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Action In Spite of Risks

The following article is published as one of a continuing series: conceived to bring some additional recognition to those Officers who have been commended for intelligent and courageous police work. The accounts of the incidents are taken from Meritorious Conduct Report Forms.

When necessary, as in the story below, the names of victims, assailants or other involved civilians will be changed.

Ronald Benton, an employee at the Little Tavern Restaurant, had time to notice little more than that both of the men standing at the carry-out window were armed with chrome-plated revolvers, before he ducked beneath the counter. But there was no mistaking the sound of five slugs hitting the bullet-proof glass above his head.

"This is a holdup," the taller of the two had said. Fortunately, neither robber had attempted to enter the restaurant. After the unsuccessful robbery, they had fled.

Benton's description of the men was quickly broadcast by the Eastern District Officer handling the call. Tactical Officers Robert Becker and Raymond Wheatley were patrolling in the vicinity of 25th Street near Harford Road when they heard the broadcast.

Several minutes later, in the 2500 block of Garrett Avenue, the officers observed two subjects ambling casually towards Friendship Avenue. Both matched the descriptions.

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CHARLES CENTER HOSTS SECOND CITY FAIR



Charles Center, the city's cultural hub, was host to a second annual event the weekend of September 26th that is quickly becoming an end of Summer tradition.

The Baltimore City Fair, an amalgam of old and new, foresight and innovation, achieved success unexpected by even its most fervent supporters. Six hundred thousand people gathered together during the Fair's three day duration, despite rain and the threat of rain. Neighborhood groups and other associations worked together to make the second Fair one to remember.

And remembered it will be. For no other reason than that a scant year ago the question of presenting an urban fair in the heart of downtown Baltimore caused raised eyebrows from a good percentage of the population.

The Second Fair had most everything that the first had, only in usually greater numbers. There were more kids, cotton candies, hot dogs and ordinary dogs,

lost parents, interesting exhibits, friendly people, big balloons, baton twirlers, bands and, above all big smiles.

Some of the biggest smiles of all, it seemed, were directed towards the Community Services Division's Officer Friendly from the thousands of school-age children that attended the event. Over six thousand were delighted to be presented with their fingerprints on specially prepared cards, for the education and enjoyment of each.

The Division's huge mobile center was a primary source of interest and a drawing spot for thousands of citizens, who marvelled at its square footage and veritable library of useful pamphlets and other printed material.

Community Services also helped close to one hundred little people who had lost something very dear to them: their parents. Everyone of the children stayed with the Department's personnel until their wayward parents could be located,

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Graduation Remarks

The following speech was delivered by the Honorable Edward S. Northrop, Judge of the United States District Court at the Graduation Exercises of the Baltimore Police Department, held at the War Memorial on Friday, September 24, 1971. Below are excerpts of his comments.

My admiration is unbounded for you men who have chosen this profession—for it is a profession. And you have before you a task which demands the highest degree of dedication to duty and will tax and test you to your fullest capacity. For in these times, and in this place, and in this city—the seventh in the United States the disregard for law and crime are rampant. Nor is this peculiar to this city, for such disregard exists not only in the United States but also abroad. And I do not have to remind you that citizens are afraid in their own homes and feel unsafe on the streets, in daylight as well as at night. These, then, are the conditions under which you will be operating as officers of the law. But I want to point out to you that you are joining an elite group, probably the best police department in the entire United States.

You move out then in the companionship of your fellow officers into a confused society to enforce the law by which 99% of us must live. And in the per-

formance of your duties you will have to bear the brunt of criticism and invective. However, you join an elite group of dedicated, diligent and decent people. You join a department which has consistently sought to provide the leadership and training, the management and discipline, and the concentration and efficient use of its resources so that its target—crime—may be attacked more effectively and successfully. You are professionals.

You of the graduating class are about to become members of a police department which is recognized as a national leader among all police departments in striving for professionalism. The high degree of professionalism of your department received national exposure and recognition during the trial of the Catonsville Nine, and in other similar sensitive situations which have arisen in our community. In each and every situation, the men of your force have exemplified a truly professional posture.

You of the graduating class are moving into an exciting profession which, as I have mentioned, will demand the very utmost of you in dedication to duty, devotion to the highest principles, and utilization of all of your personal abilities and professional training and education. I trust that each of you will keep foremost in his mind the fact that you are becoming a member of a great police department and one of a group who must return our cities to a state of decency and stability once again.

You must be sensitive to the nuances of the community. You must ever strive to earn the respect of all for fairness and understanding in the many judgments you will be called on to make. A great deal depends upon you. You are the front-line soldiers in the war against crime. The deeds of law enforcement officers, as you all know, are the subjects of much discussion and many stories. An evening does not go by that there is not at least one television show dramatizing the exciting aspects of your profession. On this day you move out to where the real live action is. I wish you well. And I hope you will all carry out your duties so that your story will always be told wherever deeds of good report are related.

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The officers pulled their patrol car nearly abreast of the two. Exiting the vehicle quickly, they ordered both to halt. One of the men complied, but the second continued walking away from the officers, while reaching into his waist.

Officer Becker had the first subject under control while Wheatley continued after the other. A second warning to halt was ignored while the man continued to reach into his belt. Wheatley drew his revolver, shouted a third warning, and ran to apprehend the suspect.

Within a few steps Wheatley had reached and collared him. The suspect turned quickly, pulling a chrome-plated revolver from his waist. Becker, seeing the struggle, left his prisoner with the officers of a second car which had arrived and ran to help his partner. Still struggling with Officer Wheatley, the suspect managed to fire a shot at the approaching Becker.

After the shot, Wheatley was able to spin the suspect around and push him against a parked auto. Fortunately the shot had missed Officer Becker, but the suspect was hardly through resisting. Turning a second time he grabbed for Wheatley's revolver, and both fell to the ground, struggling for possession of the two guns.

When Sergeant Paul Reinsfelder rushed to help Wheatley, the suspect became even more violent, nearly throwing the officer off him and firing two more shots. Officer Robert Thomas managed to grab the revolver out of his hand, and with the help of the other two officers, finally subdued and handcuffed him.

Three days later a lineup was held at Police Headquarters. Mr. Benton, the restaurant employee, unhesitatingly identified the suspect as one of the two men who had attempted the holdup. Ballistics tests run on the slugs found at the scene matched them with the guns carried by both subjects at the time of their arrest.

The Meritorious Conduct Report, referring to Officers Wheatley and Becker, stated in part that the action . . . "displayed the extraordinary efforts of these Officers . . . with full knowledge of the risks involved."

CITY FAIR: "... more kids, interesting exhibits, ... friendly people, balloons, bands, and big smiles"

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and Officer Friendly was personally responsible for transforming a multitude of tears into laughter. Without exception, every one of the lost children left Charles Center in the company of the same parents he came with.

The Fair offered entertainment to match the bustle and movement of the crowds. The Charlie Byrd Quintet kept things contemporary with some of the coolest jazz being heard today. World Heavyweight Champion Joe Frazier performed with his excellent singing group to keep things rolling right along.

And if you like girls, some of the State's prettiest competed in the Floral Association's Annual Beauty Pageant on Friday. The word was beautiful.

For the children, the Bob Brown Marionettes performed "Cinderella" at the Hopkins Plaza on Saturday morning. From all accounts, it was a very good performance, thoroughly enjoyed even by adults who knew the ending in advance.

The oldest Fair exhibit rode the water adjacent to Pier 2, Pratt Street, just as stately and commanding as the day she was launched. The U.S.S. *Constellation*, much of her mastwork and rigging restored, proved herself to be the same gracious hostess most Baltimoreans have come to know. Her appearance at the Fair was an absolute must: she belongs to the memories of an earlier Baltimore. Despite her years, the old lady held up well.

Above all, there was music. Any kind and every kind, from gospel to rock, from symphonic to folk. Groups that appeared included the Colony Singers, the Travelers, The Salvation Choral Group and the Jazz O'Phonics. Music pervaded the Fair like a mellow breeze, greatly contributing to the holiday atmosphere and the enjoyment of everyone.

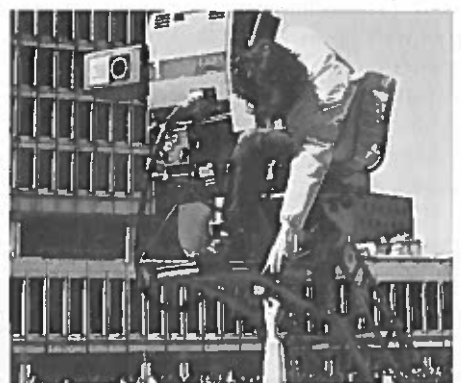
For the Officers of the Department who were detailed at the Fair, the assignment proved to be a pleasant one. Very few unhappy incidents were reported — most people were too busy enjoying them-



selves. The spirit of cooperation seemed as tangible as the varied music; and a very real benefit of the weekend festivities may well prove to be increased communication between the thousands of people who participated.

Next year's Fair is already being planned: probably a bigger and more successful effort than this year's. The Department will again participate, insuring a maximum number of contacts with the people of Baltimore, on a friendly and cooperative basis.

As for the Fair just past — its success will remain a pleasant memory for months to come: proof that the city can be a great place to be, provided of course that the people are available to make urban living a pleasant reality. Like the city, the Baltimore Fair was dedicated to people, as Lieutenant Colonel George Schnabel pointed out, "that's what it's all about."



NEWS IN BRIEF

CENTRAL RECORDS DIVISION —

Congratulations and best wishes for a successful and happy marriage to Miss Constance Morgan, Clerk. She became Mrs. Constance Glass on September 4.

PLANNING AND RESEARCH DIVISION —

Members of this Division want to wish the best of luck to Clerk Patricia Quinn in her new assignment at the Youth Division. Good luck, Pat.

Welcome to Clerk Mary Jane Weaver, recently assigned to our Division.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING DIVISION —

Congratulations to Sergeant Steve Zabetakis and Officer Albert Parks on their completion of the Instructors Course in Industrial Safety and First Aid Institute which was conducted at Fort Ritchie, Maryland from September 13 thru 19.

CENTRAL DISTRICT —

Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. Charles Hayes on the birth of their son, Scott Christopher, born September 16 and weighing 8 lbs. 7 oz.

Congratulations and fond farewell to the following personnel on their promotions and assignments: Lieutenants William Eusini and Paul Bailey and Sergeant Bernard Wehage.

Welcome aboard to the following personnel and congratulations on their promotions: Sergeants Frederick Conjour, Paul Egbert, Harry Foard and Ronald Ford.

Fond farewell to Sergeant Edward Woods, recently transferred to the Office of the Police Commissioner.

Congratulations to Patrolman Frederick Dickens on his recent marriage. Also to Patrolman Joseph Decewicz on his recent marriage.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION —

Congratulations to Detective Edward Adelhardt of Property Crimes and his wife, Fran, on the birth of a son, Kip Edward, born September 22 and weighing 8 lbs. 14 oz. Kip has three sisters.

EASTERN DISTRICT —

Congratulations and best of luck to Frederick Entz, III, son of Sergeant Fred Entz, who graduated from the Marine Corps Basic Training Center, Parris Island,

N. C. on September 21. Best of Luck to the new Marine in all his future endeavors.

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT —

Congratulations to Patrolman Claude M. Stith, on behalf of his son, Tyrone, who was recently appointed J. V. Football Coach at Edmondson High School.

TACTICAL SECTION —

All of this Section wishes a speedy recovery to Patrolman Bryan Warner who is seriously ill and confined at Greater Baltimore Medical Center.

A speedy recovery is also wished for Patrolman George Bewley, K-9 Unit, confined at the Montgomery General Hospital, Sandy Springs, Md. after surgery on his leg.

A speedy recovery is also wished for Lieutenant Vernon Ranke who underwent surgery at Mercy Hospital.

Congratulations to Officer and Mrs. William Staley, the proud parents of their second adopted child, a son, Lawrence Miles on September 19.

All Tactical wishes a speedy recovery to Sergeant Earl Gillespie who is confined to Bon Secours Hospital.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT —

Sandralee Michno, daughter of Patrolman and Mrs. Edward Michno, became the bride of Mr. William White on October 2 at Our Lady of Fatima R.C. Church. Our congratulations are extended to the happy couple and we wish them a happy and successful marriage.

Our congratulations also to the mother and father of the bride, Officer and Mrs. Edward Michno, who recently celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary.

Congratulations to John M. Quinn, son of Sergeant Clarence M. Quinn, who graduated from the Baltimore County Police Academy and will be stationed at the Dundalk Station.

PROPERTY DIVISION —

Members of the Property Division wish a speedy recovery to Sergeant Irvin E. Marders. Hurry and get well, Sergeant.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT —

This District wishes a speedy recovery to Sergeant Donald Duvall who is a patient at Mercy Hospital as a result of an automobile accident.

Professional Post Scripts

Dear Commissioner:

Enclosed is photo depicting "Baltimore's Finest."

I'm on your side. We both want a crime-free Baltimore, a police force free-moving to protect the public not running for their lives. I know they're human not saints.

But I don't think this is the image we want projected.

A concerned citizen

"The above anonymous letter refers to an accompanying photograph which showed certain persons in uniform making unprofessional gestures. The photograph was not taken of Baltimore police officers. If the anonymous writer will personally contact the Police Commissioner, he or she will be advised of the identity of the agency whose members are shown in the photograph."

In Memoriam

JOHNSON, LUCILLE, mother of Patrolman Martin J. Johnson, Southern District, September 18.

WALSTRUM, SARAH, sister of Patrolman Albert Smith, Tactical Section, September 19.

THOMAS, KENNETH K., brother-in-law of Major Anton T. Glover, Deputy Chief Area I, September 20.

ZARAS, MARIA, mother of Retired Sergeant Herman F. Zaras, Old Northeastern District, September 24.

CULLINGS, ANNA, mother of Patrolman John Cullings, Northern District, September 29.

Final Roll Call

MOYNIHAN, ANDREW, Patrolman, Active Duty, Southern District, September 22.

STEINAKER, THOMAS F., Retired Patrolman, Southwestern District, September 23.

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Bronze Star

Daring And Common Sense

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It began as a party, held in the early morning hours of April 18, in the 3700 block of Reisterstown Road. It ended abruptly, with harsh words, gunshots and a homicide.

There had been little to warn of impending danger for anyone in attendance. Witnesses recalled that the argument had flared quickly, and that the host, Shelby Lee, had rushed to a closet of the second floor apartment producing a 30.06 rifle and a .45 automatic.

In company with a close friend who had also armed himself, Lee began firing wildly at everyone throughout the several rooms of the apartment. Several people, in panic, jumped from the second story window to avoid being hit. Two were seriously injured in the attempt.

Responding Northwestern District Officers found the body of Richard Julian face-down at the foot of the stairs leading up to the apartment. Julian had been caught in the wild shooting incident and died of a bullet wound to his left chest.

The primary suspect, Shelby Lee, had fled the premises by the time the Officers

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"Care Enough To Share Enough"

The United Fund's 1971 campaign was opened on September 30 at the Hopkins Plaza. This year's goal-\$13,635,000-is urgently needed, in the words of Campaign Chairman Frank Baker, Jr., "to provide the necessary service to meet the basic needs of the people in Baltimore City and Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford and Howard Counties."

Further, Mr. Baker stated, "We must restore services to our aged, we must reopen field offices that provide direct family counseling when and where

The present campaign is scheduled to end on Friday, November 12. Much remains to be done if the worthwhile efforts of the United Fund of Central Maryland is to continue its vital work, and everyone's help is necessary to make the 1971 Campaign a success.

For those unfamiliar with the Fund's work or the services performed by its 92 agencies, a series of questions and answers appear below that, hopefully, will provide some valuable general information.

"Isn't It Time Your Costs Went Down . . . Instead Of Up?"

In your company or organization there's a whole gang of specialists staying up nights on this problem. They used to be called "efficiency experts"; now they're called "budget analysts" or "systems programmers" or just plain "cost-cutters." United Fund agencies are bugged by the same phenomenon your firm faces: INFLATION.

Agency staff members are dedicated professionals. But they're in short supply; there's competition for them, just as there is for good accountants, salesmen, secretaries or executives. And agency staffers work for money because they eat, buy gasoline and pay rent just like the rest of us.

Inflation affects programs, too: the

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needed, we must address our efforts to the problems of the inner city and their equally important counterparts in the suburbs and counties."

Mr. Baker included reference to the restoration of services to crippled and retarded children, camps for the underprivileged and day-care centers for working mothers.

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same programs for the same amount of people cost more; yet more people are using established programs, and new services also are required to meet changing community needs.

You know the effect in your own home of the rise in cost of living. It is impossible to eliminate or ignore the effect of inflation on agency people and programs.

"When It Comes To Juvenile Delinquency And Crime, Are United Fund Agencies Really Getting Anything Done?"

They better be! Youngsters 11 to 17 amount to only 13% of our population, yet they account for over half the arrests for serious property crimes. Crime is up in the City, and in the Counties. Youth experts, including juvenile court authorities, agree vehemently that constructive youth programs are the best antidote to this problem. They emphasize that broad programs are needed: they must reach from prosperous suburbs to the Inner City. This is exactly how United Fund agencies like Big Brothers, The Y.M.C.A., Y.W.C.A., CYO, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and others approach the problem. Their programs directly involve young people in every area, and because young people need variety, the programs are cultural, athletic, social, recreational and educational. These programs get ex-

cellent participation and commitment. United Fund agencies are pre-eminent in this field; they get the job done with youth.

"Because Of Blight, Decay And Tension, Whole Neighborhoods Are In Danger Of Falling Completely Apart. What's The United Fund Doing About This Crisis?"

Experts—national, state and local—agree that any "cure" for neighborhood erosion has to come from within the neighborhood if it's to have any permanency. Programs based in the neighborhood are much more effective than programs externally administered. The oldest, most experienced and best qualified agencies for providing a broad range of neighborhood services are the United Fund's neighborhood centers, such as those operated by the Salvation Army, The Y.M.C.A., The Y.W.C.A. and Lafayette Square. They are situated on the spot where the problems must be met. Their programs and services are geared to all age groups, from pre-school kids to senior citizens. Activities include educational and job skills classes and tutoring; cultural, athletic, social and recreational programs. Often residents of the neighborhood are trained and become staff members. Each center is the hub of its neighborhood, each director and his staff are thoroughly familiar with the needs and stresses of the neighborhood. These are very practical, first-person operations—not a vague blend of theory, compassion and handouts. Neighborhood residents cooperate in planning, doing, changing. Given guidance, they help make modest budgets do a whale of a job in arresting and reversing neighborhood deterioration.

"You Ask Other Contributors And Me For Money, But How Much Say Do We Have About How It's Used?"

Contributors have everything to say about how the United Fund puts their money to work. In fact, the United Fund is the only organization in the health, family service and youth field which is operated by contributors themselves rather than by a self-interest group. (All other fund-raising groups raise money for their own programs.)

The United Fund and its agencies, which meet local problems on a strictly local basis, are totally responsive to contributors. They are, in fact, responsible to no one else—no group, no individual.

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arrived. Two hours later, a call was broadcast to meet a man concerning Lee in the 3700 block Towanda Ave.

There, Northwestern Officers Joseph Mueller, Ralph Robossen, in company with Lieutenant Charles Goodrich and Homicide Detective Dominic Giangrosso were met by Mr. Charles Roberts of the 2800 block Springhill Ave.

Roberts hurriedly told the assembled Officers that Lee had forced his way into Roberts' home demanding that he repair the damaged .45 that had been used in the shooting. Roberts immediately left the house, ostensibly to obtain tools. In the mean time, Lee was holding Mr. Roberts' wife and child hostage.

Officer Mueller and Detective Giangrosso accompanied the distraught husband through an alley in the rear of the house. At the same time Lieutenant Goodrich and Officer Robossen silently positioned themselves on the front porch of the Roberts' home.

Mr. Roberts knew that Lee had held his family captive in the kitchen at the time he left the house. Mueller and Giangrosso moved quietly into the back yard, entering the house through the basement door. Roberts went ahead to check on the suspect's location, while the two Officers waited at the top of the basement stairs.

Within two minutes Roberts returned. Lee still held the wife and child in the kitchen; both were unharmed.

Realizing that there were great risks involved, Mueller and Giangrosso decided to rush Lee before any harm could come to the Roberts family. Both launched themselves from the steps into the kitchen. Hearing the noise, Lieutenant Goodrich and Officer Robossen crashed through the front door. Together the four Officers converged on the startled suspect before he had time to resist.

Lee was taken into custody without a shot being fired; more importantly, both the woman and child were unharmed.

The actions of the Officers involved in the initial arrest was aptly described on the Meritorious Conduct Report as a "... display of daring coupled with common sense."

Family Orientation

Law Enforcement is a family business. When a man is actively involved in the law enforcement profession his job affects the entire family. The police officer is required to work holidays, weekends and constantly changing shifts. This, accompanied by the fact that the officer often works under great stress, sometimes to the point of physical danger makes it different from most careers.

The entrance level recruit, and especially his family, it turns out, are not usually aware of the total commitment required. Realizing that awareness of the role of the officer would help the family, Major Norman Pomrenke, Director of the Education and Training Division, has established a method of family indoctrination.

On October 7, 1971 Entrance Level Class 71-7 gathered at the Police Education and Training Center along with wives or girl friends for an evening of orientation. The purpose was to increase awareness of the many demands and stress ahead for the new officers.

First to address the group was Deputy Commissioner Ralph G. Murdy who along with Major Pomrenke pointed out the difficulties the officer might encounter. Also outlined were the more exciting aspects of the law enforcement profession. Various class instructors also talked to the group about general rules of the Department and about what would be required of each man during his sixteen week stay at the Education and Training Center.

There were questions and answers about the officers' new profession in the discussion that followed. The lively session was highlighted by the showing of the nationally known film, "Every Hour Every Day." This film, narrated by Danny Thomas, was made for the benefit of the police officer and his family. It depicts situations the new officers will encounter spanning the spectrum from traffic violations to homicide. The visual display graphically points out that the job does not consist solely of apprehending wanted felons.

Other highlights of the evening included a tour of the Education and

Training Center and a catered "social" which involved both the families and staff of the Center.

The Baltimore Police Department's Education and Training Division, the first in the nation to be housed on a College Campus, will continue this innovative orientation program for each new class of officers. The facilities, unique in law enforcement, continue to broaden the scope of education of the professional law enforcement officer.

"Friendly" Luncheon

The Second Annual Officer Friendly Kick-Off Luncheon brought a packed house and the promise of yet another successful year of activity. Sponsored through the cooperation of the Sears-Roebuck Foundation the Officer Friendly Program provides beginning school children with an insight into the police and their role in the community.

Guest speakers included Baltimore City Council President William Donald Schaefer, Dr. Roland N. Patterson, Superintendent of Public Instruction for Baltimore City and Mr. Francis Pettit, Vice-President of the Sears-Roebuck Foundation.

The luncheon, presided over by Lieutenant Carolyn M. Robinson of the Community Relations Section, also featured remarks by Lieutenant Colonel George C. Schnabel who directs the Community Services Division and others interested in the Officer Friendly program.

All four of the "Officers Friendly" were on hand as well as a number of invited school children, parents and teachers. Members of the Command Staff enjoyed a pleasant luncheon with the group.

Paramount in all of the addresses given was the hope that the program will continue to successfully relate to children and help them know the police officer and what he does to help them. If the reactions from the kiddies in attendance are indicative of the general reaction from school children Officer Friendly remains high on their list of favorites.

OPERATION *Facelift*

For military men Camp Ritchie, nestled in Maryland's Coctain Mountains, is a quiet post, a pleasant tour of duty. For hundreds of Baltimore boys it's the place to go in the summer time. The Department's summer camp program provides the youngsters the opportunity to spend lots of time in the outdoors away from the normal hustles and bustles of "city life." It's a genuine contrast for the young people.

The buildings which house the Boys' Club Camp do share one thing in common with buildings in the city and everywhere else. They, in time, need to be repainted. Police Union Local 1195 began the project of painting the barracks at Fort Ritchie on September 27th.

Members of the Local and several non-union officers gave up their "H" days or took vacation days to carry out the project. A total of 114 rooms got a sparkling coat of paint as a result of their efforts. Local 1195 donated the more than \$200.00 it took to feed the "painters" during their stay at the camp.

NATIONAL CONVENTION

Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau and five members of the Command Staff attended the 78th Annual Conference of the International Association of Chiefs of Police in Anaheim, California from September 25th to 30th, 1971.

Each member who attended found it to be an extremely busy and informative conference. Commissioner Pomerleau, who serves as Chairman of the IACP's Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Committee, was also active in meetings of the International Relations Committee of which he is also a member.

Deputy Commissioner Thomas J. Keyes, Lieutenant Colonel Donald T. Shanahan, Director Jared Glauser, Major Robert Norton and Mr. Bernard Silbert participated in many of the seminars and workshops presented during the course of the conference.

NEWS IN BRIEF

CENTRAL RECORDS DIVISION —

Congratulations to Patrolman John E. Grimes, III and his wife, Honey, on the birth of their daughter, Jessica, born September 28 and weighing 7 lbs. Patrolman Grimes was formerly a Cadet in the Identification Section of Central Records.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

— Youth Section — Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Patrolman Charles Lidinsky.

On October 6th a luncheon was held for Patrolman John L. Cox, who after 28 years of service with the Department, retired effective October 7th. Officer Cox was presented with a certificate and luggage by Major Edwin L. Lawrence. The luggage was a gift from the members of the Youth Section. The affair was attended by Lieutenant Colonel George C. Schnabel, Officer Cox's lovely wife and a host of friends. Sergeant Joseph W. Goddard wrote and read a farewell poem. Everyone wishes Officer Cox many happy years of retirement and a bon voyage to California.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Sergeant Melvin McQuay and his wife, Merle, on the birth of their fourth child, a daughter, Cynthia, born September 30 and weighing 6 lbs. 14 oz. The McQuays now have 2 boys and 2 girls.

TACTICAL SECTION — Congratulations to Patrolman William Thompson and his wife, Mary, on the birth of their son, William Alexander, Jr., born October 5 and weighing 5 lbs. 10 oz.

All Tactical Section wishes a speedy recovery to Sergeant Robert Holland who is convalescing from a leg injury sustained in the line of duty.

EASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. Raymond Gagne who will celebrate their 25th Wedding Anniversary on October 26. Best wishes for many more.

A get well wish to Clerk Gertrude Fowler and hurry back to work real soon, from members of the Eastern District.

We would like to send double congratulations to Patrolman James Bowling. His daughter, Janet, will be married to Gary Dunnigan on Novem-

ber 13th and his son, James, who will graduate from Army Basic Training at Fort Knox, Kentucky on November 10th. Young James will be home to participate in his sister's wedding (best man). Best of luck to both of these fine young people in all their future endeavors.

INTERNAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — This Division extends sincere sympathy to Detective John Lansey on his recent loss.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Property Crimes Section — Congratulations to Detective Arthur Dewitt on being named "Policeman of the Year" by the Kiwanis Club of Baltimore on September 16 at the Lord Baltimore Hotel. Detective Dewitt was honored for his outstanding investigative efforts, and was heard to comment upon the excellent cooperation now existing between this Division and Patrol, which helped make this award possible.

Vice Section — Members of the Narcotics Unit extend deepest sympathy to Detective Jerome Cullings and to his brother, Patrolman John Cullings of the Northern District, on their recent loss.

PROPERTY DIVISION — Best of luck to Francis M. Schmitz III, son of Patrolman Francis M. Schmitz, Jr., who on October 5, flew to the Great Lakes Training Center to begin his bootcamp training in the U.S. Navy. Good wishes to the new sailor in all his future endeavors.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman Fred Miller and his wife on the birth of their daughter, Katherine LeeAnn, born September 7.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman Isiah Thompson on his recent marriage to the former Roslyn Cottman at Wayland Baptist Church.

The Southwestern District Police bowling teams seem to be on the skids — but beware, "We will rise again"!

Welcome aboard to Patrolmen Joseph F. Fitzsimmons, II, Edward T. Litzinger, Jr., Richard W. Spicknall and Barry W. Wood.

Good Luck and farewell to Patrolmen George Bustin and William Derrenberger on their retirements.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE — Congratulations to Sergeant Edward V. Woods and his wife, Alice, on the birth of their daughter, Lynette Alicia, born October 13 and weighing 7 lbs. 8 oz.

In Memoriam

HENSON, GEORGE HILTON, father of Patrolman Leon J. Henson, Eastern District, October 4.

CARNEAL, HORACE, father of Patrolman Charles Carneal, Northern District, October 5.

BRAWNER, JOHN W., SR., father of Lieutenant John Brawner, Southeastern District; Patrolman Bernard Brawner, Traffic Investigation Section and Patrolman Charles Brawner, Western District, October 11.

PETRY, BETTY, sister of Detective Earl Mathias, Criminal Investigation Division, Crimes Against Persons, October 5.

Final Roll Call

FORD, THOMAS F., SR., Retired Sergeant, Eastern District, October 4.

HEIM, CHARLES A., Retired Patrolman, Old Northwestern District, October 5.

SCHNEBELEN, CHRISTIAN C., Retired Patrolman, Central District, October 9.

DOWNS, JAMES A., Retired Detective Sergeant, Criminal Investigation Division, October 10.

SCHLOTTHOBER, CHARLES, Patrolman, Active Duty, Southwestern District, October 12.

The Department extends its deepest sympathy to the family and loved ones of those recently deceased.

Newsletter Notice

In an endeavor to have a more complete and interesting NEWSLETTER we would appreciate the name of a single designated "Reporter" and/or "Alternate Reporter" to whom we could either write or call for news items.

Also, it would be appreciated if notice would be posted for that one particular person to forward all NEWS ITEMS to the Public Information Division. This would prevent any duplications.



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General Election Tallied

The temperature was a little higher last night than it was for the September Primary Election but all other activity seemed about the same. The tabulation of votes for the General Election went according to schedule.

Officers assigned to each of the City's Polling Places began their day early. Helping get election materials to the Election Judges at the Polling Places was the first order of business. Voting machines were unlocked, checked, then at 7:00 A.M. were open for business.

The officers had only minor problems with which to contend throughout the day and by the 8:00 P.M. closing time, as the lines of voters grew short, they readied themselves for their final task of the day. The machines were closed down, votes tabulated, envelopes sealed and delivered to the War Memorial Building.

First receipts of ballots at the counting tables at the War Memorial were early, shortly after 8:00 P.M. in fact. Both sworn and clerical personnel swung into action in order to give the public a running account of the vote totals.

The ballots first went to the Receiving Tables where they were logged in and accounted for. The next step in the process was a trip to the Calling and Recording Tables. Here the vote was copied from the return onto the perforated tally forms. After that operation was completed, the tally forms went to a Separation Table for distribution to the various counting areas where the actual totals for each candidate and question were compiled. The ballots themselves were sent to the Close-Out tables where they were logged once again and retained until after the completion of the Official Tally by the Board of Election Supervisors.

Nearly one hundred Departmental Personnel worked throughout the evening

producing a constantly increasing flow of election information.

The vote totals were constantly carried to the lower level of the War Memorial where the visual public display of the election results was maintained.

Throughout the evening members of the news media and the public held forth on the lower level. The display screens, across the front of the press gallery, were constantly updated to provide information to the gathered reporters and interested citizens.

From time to time various members of the Command Staff visited the War Memorial to take a look at the Election Night activities. Each added his congratulations to those assembled for the tremendous job they were performing.

As in the case of the Primary Election everything had been planned in advance. Before the first returns arrived at the War Memorial all personnel received a complete briefing on the job ahead. Sample ballots were displayed and the various problems which were expected that night were reviewed. And, as in the previous vote count, when the problems cropped up the answers were swift in coming. As a result there were no major log-jams to the unofficial vote count.

Members of the Department have traditionally tabulated the election results after the closing of the polls. This service is for the benefit of members of the community who have exercised their right to vote and for the many interested citizens who wish to have a quick tabulation, though unofficial, so that the results of the campaign and election will be known as quickly as possible.

Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau extended his personal appreciation for the excellent service rendered to the community by members of the Department.

Graduation Class Response

On Friday, October 29, 1971, Entrance Level Class 71-5 joined the ranks of their fellow officers in the daily fight against crime. Members of the class graduated, in ceremonies at the War Memorial.

Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, the Graduation Speaker, the Honorable John R. Hargrove — Administrative Judge of the 1st District Court of Maryland and members of the Command Staff congratulated the new officers for their educational accomplishments. Commissioner Pomerleau addressed the families of the new officers, expressing his gratitude for their understanding and cooperation in the 16 weeks of schooling which took up so much of their husbands' time.

The Valedictory Class Response was offered by Officer Bruce F. Kovens. Most Class Responses show a genuine concern on the part of the newly appointed officers for the community, however, Officer Kovens' presentation underlines one of the basic needs for law enforcement. That need is simply, for people to care. Excerpts of Officer Kovens' response are printed below:



Judge John R. Hargrove

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Response

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I would like to briefly discuss our new career — Baltimore, as are all other major American cities, is faced with the growing social problem of "Crime In The Streets."

Most serious crimes — robberies, larcenies, burglaries, kidnapping and some murders are committed for the purpose of acquiring property or money. Unfortunately, youngsters between the ages of 11 and 17 (who comprise only 13% of our population) account for over half of the arrests for serious property crimes.

Violence is a way of life to many people. It is a disease, and like any disease, it spreads rapidly.

Where do we find violent crime and its victims? — in that part of the city where the people are crammed into dingy and inferior housing.

— where the despair and hopelessness of alcoholism, broken families and drug addiction are a way of life.

— where the death rate is higher by 25%, where the life expectancy is 10 years shorter, where often times as many as 50% of the children live with either or neither of their parents.

— where personal dignity is unknown. There you'll find crime and its victims.

Our class has just completed 16 weeks of concentrated study. We have worked diligently and patiently, and have prepared ourselves to serve you — the citizens of Baltimore. You have a right to expect honest and fair treatment by the members of our Department.



In return, we have one request — that you care and give us your support.

If you'll notice, the crime rate throughout the city has been decreasing due to the efforts of Commissioner Pomerleau, his staff, and a concentrated effort throughout the entire Department.

In order to continue this trend, the law enforcement profession needs the increased support of the people. Unfortunately, poor citizenship is a primary social ill facing us today.

True, people are concerned about crime in the streets, but all too often leave the problem entirely up to the Police.

We, the Police, need the involvement of the individual. Perhaps the most effective role against crime the individual can take is getting out and actively pursuing solutions with his neighbors. An individual can volunteer his time to programs designed to improve the material and human resources of the community. He can attack some of the underlying causes of crime such as, poverty or lack of education, or he can deal directly with juveniles, ex-convicts and dope addicts to prevent crime. In any respect, commitment and involvement are a solution — far better, more extensive and beneficial to society than arming oneself and hiding behind locked doors waiting for us (the Police) to do it all.

However, the problem of non-involvement goes even deeper than failure to

participate in crime prevention programs. In recent years, the media have been filled with stories of passive bystanders, remaining aloof and inactive although witnessing a crime which could be forestalled or interrupted by an action as simple as a telephone call.

The entire social fabric of our urban areas is being altered by the changing patterns of conduct of our "law-abiding citizens." The single most damaging of the effects of violent crime is fear. According to a survey conducted by the President's Commission on Law Enforcement — 43% of the respondents said that they stay off the streets at night because of their fear of crime.

American cities are slowly becoming a fortress society — each man standing alone in fearful defense against his fellow man. We are losing the valuable traditions of community cooperation and personal responsibility for the welfare of the whole.

So, you see, it is your problem too. We as a nation, have licked tougher problems than this.

When enough people draw the line for their legislators, when enough people become involved, when enough people care enough, — then, and only then, will we rid ourselves of this criminal blight which has plagued us for so long and at so very dear a price.

Safety Aside

The "I Am An American Day" parade, held in late September, is probably the largest public gathering of the year in the City of Baltimore. For this reason a large number of police are needed to handle routine or emergency occurrences.

Officer Michael Sullivan of the Tactical Section, was assigned to the parade detail. He was standing along the parade route on Baltimore Street, when the need for emergency action arose. The officer observed a horse and wagon that had broken away from its place in the parade and was heading toward the crowd on the sidewalk.

Putting his own safety aside, Officer Sullivan ran into the path of the galloping horse and struggled with it until the animal was under control.

Major Appointed

Major Norman E. Pomrenke, Director of the Education and Training Division, has been appointed to the National Manpower Development Advisory Committee of the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, U.S. Department of Justice. The appointment, on October 7, 1971, was made by Mr. Carl Hamm, the Committee Director.

The Manpower Assistance Division, which will meet four times a year, will concentrate on policy decisions in five major areas: Curriculum Development; Internships; Law Enforcement Education Program (LEEP); Liaison; and In-Service Training, Management Workshops and Seminars.

The Committee is composed of 15 members who represent each of the National LEAA Regions in addition to five members selected at large.

Advisor Elected

Mr. Bernard Silbert, the Assistant Attorney General who serves as the Department's Legal Adviser, is active in the affairs of the National Association of Police Attorneys. That Association elected Mr. Silbert to its Presidency at its meeting in Anaheim, California.

In his new post, the Assistant Attorney General will lead in the co-ordination of activities, on the national level, aimed at improving legal services to law enforcement.

RADIO PROGRAM

Baltimore Radio Station WCAO is presenting a series of weekly programs concerning the Baltimore Police Department, every Sunday night at 9 P.M.

The series, entitled, "The Baltimore Police Department and the Community" is an in-depth look at the Department, its primary function, and its relation within the community.

Lieutenant Howard F. Parrott of the Community Services Division is the show's director.

Professional Post Scripts

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your note of condolence.

I would like at this time to express our gratitude for the help, kindness and thoughtfulness extended to me and my daughters at a time we most needed it.

I cannot personally reach every man but I hope this note will. I have never in my life seen so many men do so much to help in another's suffering.

Again our thanks to all.

Sincerely,

/s/ Mary, Pat and

Donna Schlotthober

Dear Sir:

I'm not sure what the situation is in Baltimore, but everywhere I go, someone seems to be taking a crack at the Police and Fire Departments. At least in Baltimore, I don't believe their slurs.

Last night, at the corner of Maryland and Lafayette Streets my auto caught fire. One of your citizens alerted me by yelling from his third floor window, and while I don't know who he is, I hope he sees this letter in your paper, and accepts my thanks.

Officer Howell of Car 154 was the first to respond, and the Fire Battalion Chief #3, Moreau followed instantly. I was immensely impressed both by the speed with which they arrived, and the efficiency with which they worked. To the timing in perspective — a friend was four cars behind me coming out of a parking garage a block away, but the Police and Fire Departments were there before he was. No heroics, just fast, effective, friendly and sympathetic help.

Very truly yours,

John P. Holland, Director
New Business Processing

New Fireboat Accepted

In a brief ceremony held at the Marine Unit's Headquarters, on Friday, October 22nd, the *Charles D. Gaither* was transferred to the Baltimore Fire Department.

Major James P. Stromberg of the Department's Property Division formally turned the craft over to Fire Department Deputy Chief Herbert W. Catterton.

The *Charles D. Gaither* was built in 1940 and was the Department's primary water-borne crime fighting craft until the purchase of the newer and faster *Intrepid* in 1968.

Though the older boat's lack of speed was a disadvantage in police work, its shallow draft will allow it to move closer into the scene of harbor fires.



The *Charles D. Gaither* leaves the Police dock for the last time.

Also, the *Gaither* is equipped with a five hundred gallon capacity pump which makes possible the use of harbor water in fighting fires, besides permitting the additional capacity of salvaging sinking vessels.

According to Chief George L. Klein, commander of the Fire Department's Marine Division, the *Gaither* will serve as a Command Boat from which his supervisors will direct fire-fighting efforts. Its steel hull and diesel engine are well suited for such a role.

The Fire Department's new acquisition expands to five the number of fireboats available for use in the protection of the City's harbor.

NEWS IN BRIEF

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Vice Section — Congratulations to Detective Clarence S. Emmons and his wife, Bonnie, on the birth of their daughter, Michele Denise on October 26 and weighing 7 lbs. 3 oz.

CENTRAL DISTRICT — A happy and resourceful retirement is wished to Officer Joseph Graham, detailed to Central District from the Casual Section (Personnel Division), who became his own boss on October 20th.

Congratulations to Clerk Dorothy Whitesell on her promotion to Clerk I.

EASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Officer Lloyd Cleary and his wife, Joyce, on the birth of their son, Lloyd T. on October 17 and weighing 7 lbs. 10 oz.

SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations and best wishes to Patrolman Richard Stubbins on his recent retirement.

A speedy recovery to Sergeant Donald Duvall and Patrolman Charles Baer, recently released from a hospital stay and to Patrolman Aubrey DuVal presently confined to North Charles General Hospital.

Congratulations to Patrolman Kenneth Mielke and his bride, the former Evelyn Knowles, who were married on September 18.

Congratulations to Patrolman Clarence Webster and his bride, the former Mary Jane Brooke Requardt, who were married on October 16.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Sergeant Elmer Turner and his wife, Brigitte on the birth of a son, Joseph John, weighing 8 lbs. 4 oz. Baby Joseph has 2 brothers and 2 sisters.

Chief Clerk Joseph Schultz recently appeared on "Duckpins and Dollars." He had a chance to show his stuff, but did not get the jackpot. He did, however, get the jackpot when he got home, for not getting the T.V. Jackpot. He knocked down 8 pins — better luck next time.

PLANNING AND RESEARCH DIVISION — Helicopter Unit — Members of this Division wish a speedy and complete recovery to Officer Charles George, a patient at University Hospital. Officer George is resting comfortably and will be able to receive

visitors in the near future.

WESTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Clerk I Frances T. Evans, who will celebrate her 12th Anniversary with the Department on November 5.

Welcome back to "Al" Constante who underwent surgery recently.

A happy vacation is wished to Lieutenant Clarence Etheridge and his wife on their trip to Florida. Also to Officer Claude Merritt and his wife on their "Sun and Fun" trip to Miami Beach.

A speedy recovery is wished for School Crossing Guards Thelma Newman and Thelma Wiley.

Congratulations to Officer Marvin A. Froneberger and his bride, the former Marguerite Johnson on their recent marriage.

Members of this District will miss "Spotty" the "Mascot" who died on October 22.

TRAFFIC DIVISION — Lieutenant Colonel William Harris wishes to take this opportunity to congratulate the men in his Division and the men of Education and Training on a "Job Well Done" regarding the Orioles Playoffs and the World Series. Again "THANKS."

Welcome back to Sergeant Robert Plaine, Intersection Unit; you will be more careful of those power mowers in the future.

Congratulations to Officer Ronald C. Griffith on his retirement effective October 21. Here's wishing you a long and happy one.

Welcome aboard to Officer Edward Schmauss recently transferred from Planning and Research.

Congratulations to Linda Davidson and Sharon Mullen on their recent promotions to Clerk I.

Congratulations to Officer and Mrs. William Minster, Traffic Investigation Section, who celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary on October 6 with a trip through the South. May they celebrate many more together.

Mrs. Rose Weiner, Custodial Worker, became a proud grandmother for the first time on October 12. Her daughter, Sandy and son-in-law, Marc presented her with a daughter, Jill presented her with a granddaughter, Jill Elizabeth Block. Jill weighed 6 lbs. 7 oz.

TACTICAL SECTION — Congratulations to Patrolman John E. Hensley

and his wife, Sandra, on the birth of a son, John Edward on October 26 and weighing 7 lbs. 5 oz.

All Tactical Section wishes a speedy recovery to Sergeant Kenneth Hornberger who recently underwent surgery.

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION — Congratulations to Officer and Mrs. James Cvach who became the proud grandparents of a granddaughter, Jennifer Maria. Their daughter, Mrs. Kathleen Leonard, presented the blessed event on October 3.

Congratulations to Emergency Call Clerk Dorothy J. Sullivan who became Mrs. Herbert Shipley on October 30. The marriage took place at the Epiphany Lutheran Church; the happy couple will be honeymooning in the Poconos.

Farewell and best wishes to Officers John C. Harper and Dana L. Mealey on their recent retirements.

Good luck to Emergency Call Clerk Joellan R. Minglino on her new assignment to Central Records Division.

In Memoriam

HILLIARD, ERNEST, brother of School Crossing Guard Myrtle Hubbard, Southwestern District, October 13.

CLARK, VIOLA, mother of Patrolman Ronald Clark, Eastern District, October 14.

HOMBERG, FRANK E., father-in-law of Patrolman Ronald Readmond, Southern District, October 14.

COLLISON, LOLA, mother of Patrolman Charles Collison, Tactical Section, October 15.

PLOTT, WILLIAM C., father-in-law of Patrolman Joseph R. Riha, Applicant Investigation Section, October 15.

Final Roll Call

IRVIN, THOMAS, SR., Retired Patrolman, Southwestern District, October 12.

HEROLD, JOHN E., Retired Patrolman, Traffic Division, Foot Section, October 24.

GRACE, STANTON J., Retired Sergeant, Northwestern District, October 26.

The Department extends its deepest sympathy to the family and loved ones of those recently deceased.



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COMMUNITY SERVICES: A New Approach

The following article was written by Lieutenant Colonel George C. Schnabel, Community Services Division.

My twenty-four years within the Patrol Division have given me a great deal of experience in dealing with people. Now, as the new Chief of the Community Services Division, I am, I feel, in a unique position to evaluate the attitudes held by uniformed Officers of the Department with respect to the community which they serve.

It seems to me that true community relations must begin at home: in this case, through a process of education aimed at every individual sworn member of this Department. A need clearly exists to make our first line of crime deterrence aware of their value in the community relations effort.



A major thrust of our expanded Community Services function is aimed at the young people of the community; it was for that purpose, among others, that the new Division was created. Youth, representing tomorrow's citizens, are shaping attitudes and beliefs of their coming adulthood, today. Now, is the time to reach out and convince them of our sincerity.

As a young Officer, I faced the same

problems as do Patrolmen who have recently entered the Department. Then, as now, there was a community to be served. But through the years, we have all witnessed the deterioration of that community respect which was always the foundation for a Police Department's success.

And I firmly believe that the disrespectful attitudes of today's adults have been transmitted to the youth of our society. The men of the Baltimore Police Department are well aware of that lack of respect, many are mystified by it. But do many Officers realize that the only way to counter this dangerous trend is through real and honest communication?

For those that don't, assistance will soon be coming. When the Phase IV segment of In-Service Training begins, I will meet each class of Officers to explain the basics of building good community relations, and of its value both to them and to the community at large.

I will mention the fact that a single bad remark to a citizen can erase much good work on the part of brother-officers. Too often, it is that ill timed remark that will, unfortunately, make the most lasting impression.

Further, I intend to instruct each man in the wide range of his community relations responsibilities and of the fact that each of them is a representative of the community services concept.

But, in a larger sense, my personal experience would make it impossible for me to overlook the Baltimore Police Department's foremost duty: to make

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Expanded Curriculum at Mt. St. Agnes

A new seven week course of study began at the Education and Training Division's Mount Saint Agnes facilities on Monday, November 1. It is composed entirely of Police Officers from various jurisdictions in the State of Maryland.

The 245 hour Minimum Standards Entrance Level School is coordinated by the Maryland Police Training Commission which is responsible for setting minimum standards of police training throughout the State.

Participants in the new program represent Departments from Aberdeen, Havre de Grace, Bel Air, Baltimore City Schools and Forest Heights, in addition to various County Sheriff's Offices from Charles and Harford counties. Members of the Baltimore Harbor Tunnel Department are also attending.



The courses are aimed at Officers who have never had the opportunity to attend recruit-level training classes within their own jurisdictions. The new seven week School is designed specifically to supply fundamental knowledge of law enforcement techniques, and further, to impart a high degree of standardization.

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Committee Appointment

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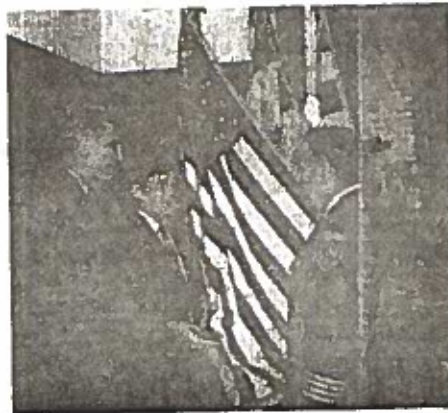
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My twenty-four years within the Patrol Division have given me a great deal of experience in dealing with people. Now, as the new Chief of the Community Services Division, I am, I feel, in a unique position to evaluate the attitudes held by uniformed Officers of the Department with respect to the community which they serve.

It seems to me that true community relations must begin at home: in this case, through a process of education aimed at every individual sworn member of this Department. A need clearly exists to make our first line of crime deterrence aware of their value in the community relations effort.



A major thrust of our expanded Community Services function is aimed at the young people of the community; it was for that purpose, among others, that the new Division was created. Youth, representing tomorrow's citizens, are shaping attitudes and beliefs of their coming adulthood, today. Now, is the time to reach out and convince them of our sincerity.

As a young Officer, I faced the same

problems as do Patrolmen who have recently entered the Department. Then, as now, there was a community to be served. But through the years, we have all witnessed the deterioration of that community respect which was always the foundation for a Police Department's success.

And I firmly believe that the disrespectful attitudes of today's adults have been transmitted to the youth of our society. The men of the Baltimore Police Department are well aware of that lack of respect, many are mystified by it. But do many Officers realize that the only way to counter this dangerous trend is through real and honest communication?

For those that don't, assistance will soon be coming. When the Phase IV segment of In-Service Training begins, I will meet each class of Officers to explain the basics of building good community relations, and of its value both to them and to the community at large.

I will mention the fact that a single bad remark to a citizen can erase much good work on the part of brother-officers. Too often, it is that ill timed remark that will, unfortunately, make the most lasting impression.

Further, I intend to instruct each man in the wide range of his community relations responsibilities and of the fact that each of them is a representative of the community services concept.

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Contacting his dispatcher at Police Headquarters, the officer warns him that the address listed on the driver's license appears to have been altered. As further proof of identification, he has also obtained the man's Social Security card.

At present, warrant information would have to be secured through a combination of legwork and laborious file-searching by a number of clerks assigned to the Central Records Division, after they are contacted by the Communications Dispatcher. Something new, however, and infinitely better, is on the way.

In the near future, the dispatcher, seated adjacent to one of a number of 2260 terminals, will merely key the information directly into the computer: "Jones, James A., white male, DOB 3/17/46; resides at 1712 E. Baltimore Street." The replying screen image flashes three Joneses with the first name of James, and middle initial A. None of the addresses match. The percentage of match probability is an unacceptable 32.

The dispatcher will then request additional information of the Officer. The request might turn up a local merchant's credit card which includes another home address for James Jones.

Relaying the new information to Communications, the Officer need wait only a few seconds. The return call is a "hit"; the second James Jones presented on the screen does indeed reside at the new address. Immediately, the dispatcher can key the total filed remainder of

Jones' record onto the screen, at the same time informing the Officer that the man is wanted on a burglary warrant.

Elapsed time from initial call: slightly less than a minute, and the fictitious Mr. Jones would become an unwilling clearance statistic largely on the strength of the speed with which a computer-operated system can function.

For the Baltimore Police Department, that scene lies only shortly in the future. Plans have already been detailed to turn its IBM 360 Model 40 into a criminal history/warrant file, and make the rapid retrieval of up-to-date and accurate information a reality.

As envisioned, the new filing system will be based on a series of inter-related and independent component parts, each capable of separate, comprehensive utility. Combined they will form a coherent background of anyone criminally or otherwise involved with the Department, a viable, continuous documentation of valuable information.

The files will be subdivided into logical components: names, aliases, miscellaneous, addresses, license, and both fixed and variable numbers, all to be stored in the easy access disc-packs. It is a flexible system, made even more so by the use of variable number files which can contain almost any type of information through the inclusion of an arbitrarily created three-character code. In essence, no single file will contain all information, a set-up that will ease the process of adding or deleting items.

Two types of inquiries will be accepted by the new system: names and code inquiries, but the code format allows a wide variety of potential usages,

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November Promotions

Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau promoted two new Lieutenants and six Sergeants in ceremonies on Tuesday, November 23, 1971.

The new Lieutenants are Albert E. Boram who remains assigned to the Traffic Division and John C. Peach who moved to the Tactical Section from the Western District. Lieutenant Boram was appointed on October 29, 1953 and served in the Northeastern District prior to assignment to the Traffic Division on August 8, 1963.



Lieutenant Peach joined the Department on February 16, 1956. He has served in the Traffic Division, Central District, Internal Investigation Division and the Western District.

Six new Sergeants also received their new rank insignia at the Ceremony. They are: Gordon K. Bowers, who moved from the Criminal Investigation Division to the Southern District; William M. Phelps, who is now assigned to the Western District after assignment in the Tactical Section; Robert G. Becker, also from the Tactical Section,

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ELECTION:**Maryland
Chiefs of Police**

Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau was elected President of the Maryland Chiefs of Police Association at the organization's annual election meeting held on Wednesday, November 10.

The meeting was held at the Lord Baltimore Hotel and was attended by numerous executive heads of law enforcement agencies within the State of Maryland.

The Association was founded in 1961 to further the interests of law enforcement through the regular exchange of ideas on the problems facing the profession today.

Prior to his election as President of the Association, Commissioner Pomerleau served in the elected positions of Sergeant-at-Arms and Vice-President.

As President, the Commissioner's responsibilities will include coordination of the Association's activities and appointment of members to the regular standing committees.

The Meeting was followed by an annual Luncheon sponsored by the Advertising Club of Baltimore in honor of the Maryland Chiefs of Police. The Guest Speaker at the affair was Maryland Attorney General Francis B. Burch.

Future System

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including addresses, birth dates, F.B.I. numbers and so on.

Names and birthdates will represent the greatest actual number of inquiries into the computer, though the system is set up to accept even low probability match information such as license numbers. Should the initial inquiry score a low percentage of probability, the dispatcher can easily request additional identifying information, key the subject's full record display on the screen, and match the new information against the filed data, thus establishing his own degree of discretionary probability. Since all of the dispatchers using the Terminals are experienced Police Officers, minimal danger of a mistake will exist on a "hit".

But just as important as the subject's warrant probability, are his personal, possibly dangerous, traits. Does the subject resist arrest, or is he known to carry a weapon. That critical information will be incorporated into the system and conveyed by a series of "flags" that will become components of each record.

As conceived, the new system will place the burden of file checking on the machine, instead of the man. In the final analysis, it is an expenditure made to further safeguard the lives and property of the citizens of Baltimore by enhancing the effectiveness of the Officers of the Baltimore Police Department.

Photo By Braun



Commissioner Pomerleau is congratulated by Mr. Kenneth F. Stewart, Alcohol Tax Enforcement Unit, State of Maryland, past President of the Md. Chiefs of Police.

Col. Harris Honored

Lieutenant Colonel William A. Harris was one of four recipients of the Annual Brotherhood Award of the Maryland Region, National Conference of Christians and Jews at a dinner November 18, 1971 at the Eastwind.

Photo By Tadder



Mr. Jack Wasserman, Regional Co-Chairman of the Maryland Region of the National Conference of Christians and Jews presents Lt. Col. William A. Harris with one of four Brotherhood Awards.

In making the presentation awards chairman, Elkan L. Ries stated that he was indeed pleased that the National Conference had chosen to honor four such outstanding community leaders. "Their leadership and services," said Mr. Ries, "have advanced the goals of the National Conference and contributed much to the citizens and communities of Maryland."

Lieutenant Colonel Harris was selected to receive recognition for his achievements in his former post as Director of the Department's Community Relations Division.

Lieutenant Colonel Harris is a member of a number of civic groups and fraternal organizations which include the NAACP, Knights of Columbus, Maryland Law Enforcement Officers Association and the Health and Welfare Council.

He is also a board member of the National Association of Police-Community Relations Officers, an organization formed with the assistance of the NCCJ several years ago.

Education:

A Key to Professionalism

Lieutenant Harwood W. Burritt, presently assigned to the office of Deputy Commissioner of Operations, Frank J. Battaglia, graduated November 12, 1971, from the Southern Police Institute.

Lieutenant Burritt attended the University of Louisville's long term, which lasted 12 weeks and included 330 hours of classroom instruction. Subjects covered included college credit courses in police administration; police personnel management; constitutional law, evidence and criminal procedure and psychology for law enforcement personnel.

Lieutenant Burritt's class was the 46th to complete the Southern Police Institute's specialized training program.



Traffic Institute Director James M. Slavin commends Sgt. Edward V. Clark (center) and Sgt. James K. Wells.

Sergeant James K. Wells of the Baltimore Police Department and Sergeant Edward V. Clark of the Maryland State Police have just completed the first quarter of a nine-month accredited course in police administration at the Traffic Institute, Northwestern University. Eighty-six policemen from all over the United States, Canada, and five other countries are enrolled in this year's Traffic Police Administration Study Program.

During the first eleven weeks of the program, the men were engaged in general education studies such as government, economic and environmental planning; business letter writing, public speaking, and research techniques.

Professional Post Scripts

Dear Sir:

The Southwestern Police Boys' Club is one of the nicest things our neighborhood has.

It gives a place of recreation for boys, a place to learn fellowship and responsibility as well.

My son, Michael Rowe, who is without male companionship at home, has gotten as much out of the Club as possible. He has a place to go after school, as well as Saturdays.

He has learned, with the help of all the Officers, how to get along with other boys, make things with his hands, and has gotten a much needed leadership with the adult men there.

They go on trips to places he might never have seen, as well as learning about sports first hand from the Officers.

The Camp in the summer is both reasonably priced, as well as being the nicest around anywhere.

Mike is a changed boy since he has gotten involved with these Officers. He knows there is someone to talk to, a place to go, friends to play with and a male world he can fit into.

I hope these Police Boys' Clubs continue to operate and think all the Officers who give their time to these boys should be given some thanks if only in a letter from a grateful Mother.

Mrs. Shirley Rowe
1312 McHenry Street

Dear Sir,

I want to thank the Police Department for protection given in the downtown area, on Howard and Saratoga Streets.

I used to see young hoodlums snatch wallets out of purses. Last night a policeman standing there gave a feeling of protection to the ladies waiting for a bus.

Thank you.

Anonymous

Law Enforcement Day

At a ceremony in his office November 17th, Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro proclaimed December 4th as Law Enforcement Day. The one day event will be held at various law enforcement and judicial facilities and at the War Memorial, which will be the focal point of the activities.

The program is intended to expose young people to the workings of law enforcement agencies throughout the city. Through this exposure it is hoped that youngsters will view the members of the law enforcement and judicial systems as fellow human beings.

As part of the official observance the Baltimore Area Council Boy Scouts of America will have over 2,300 scouts involved in the day long program. The scouts will be divided into age groups for tours of Police Headquarters, Fire Headquarters and the Court House. Each group will be supervised by one of the Department's Officers Friendly. The scouts will also see demonstrations by the Baltimore Police Department's Helicopter and K-9 units.

The highlight of the program will be mock trials presented by the States Attorney's Office, United States Attorney's Office and the local Bar Association. The trials will be presided over by U. S. Magistrate Clarence E. Goetz, and Judges Edgar P. Silver, John R. Hargrove, Joseph C. Howard, Marshall Levin, Solomon Baylor, Robert I. H. Hammerman, Solomon Liss and Robert B. Watts.

Promotions

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now assigned to the Northern District; Thomas B. Badlik who moves to the Tactical Section from the Traffic Division; Thomas W. Fischer another new assignee to Tactical from the Criminal Investigation Division; Lewis C. Davis, III, now at the Northern District from the Western District.

Commissioner Pomerleau personally greeted each promoted member of the Department and expressed his best wishes to their families. Following the brief ceremonies refreshments were served.

NEWS IN BRIEF

PERSONNEL DIVISION — Applicant Investigation Section — Best wishes to Patrolman Edwin C. Carter who is recuperating at home after a stay in Maryland General Hospital. Also, best wishes to Patrolman Elwood L. Brown who is convalescing at his home after surgery. A speedy recovery and hurry back to both Officers.

OPERATIONS BUREAU — Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Carl Schindhelm, husband of Lois Schindhelm, who recently underwent surgery, due to injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

CENTRAL DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. Paul A. High who celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary on November 12th. On November 20th, Officer and Mrs. Paul A. High became grandparents for the first time. A granddaughter, weighing 7 lbs. 3 oz. was born to their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Toland; the new parents are doing nicely.

Congratulations and best wishes to Patrolman Frizell Bailey on his recent marriage to the former Miss Barbara Benjamin.

TACTICAL SECTION — Congratulations to Sergeant and Mrs. Paul Reinsfelder who recently became the proud grandparents of a granddaughter, "Melissa," born to their son and daughter-in-law, Joseph and Vicki Reinsfelder. The new arrival weighed 9 lbs. 3 oz.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Sergeant and Mrs. John J. Scales, who became grandparents when their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Pam Scales presented them with a grandson, Todd Henry. The baby was born November 7 and weighed 6 lbs. 14 oz.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. Ernest Gardner who recently became grandparents for the first time. Their daughter, Theresa, presented them with a grandson, Alexander Dartagnan on November 16. The baby weighed 6 lbs. 5 oz. Donald Ries, the father, is in the Air Force and stationed at Chanute Air Force Base, Paxton, Illinois.

Members of this District wish to extend sincere sympathy to Officer

Robert E. Limmer and his family on their recent loss.

JUST A REMINDER—On December 18th, we will have our annual Christmas Party from 10:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M. at the Northeastern District. Entertainment will be provided; there will be an orchestra and performers to amuse the children and there will be singing. **BRING THE WIFE AND CHILDREN.**

YOUTH SECTION — Best wishes to Officer Charles J. Lidinsky on his retirement October 28th with twenty-four years of service and to Officer Robert M. Breidenbach on his retirement November 3rd with twenty years of service. Officer Breidenbach was the last officer to retire from the old Pine Street Station-house. Best wishes for a long and happy retirement.

Congratulations and good luck to Deborah Schisler and Patricia A. Stover on their recent promotions to Clerk I. Best wishes to Patricia A. Stover in her new assignment to Personnel.

Welcome aboard to Agents Allen Whittaker, James Durner and Frank Broccolina; Patrolmen Joseph Zeman and Albert Muscalli; Policewoman Christie Bryan and Clerks Nyna Rowley and Sarah Alfonso, all recently transferred to the Youth Section.

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION — Welcome aboard to Cadets Thomas C. Pfadenhauer, Jr., John F. Heiderman and Emergency Call Clerk Rozie Weldon.

Congratulations to Retired Officer Richard (Hoss) Lingner and his wife who celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary on November 22nd.

Best wishes to Emergency Call Clerk Sharon Cook on her recent marriage to Frank Good. The happy couple honeymooned in "Historic" Baltimore.

INTERNAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Congratulations to Mrs. Barbara Raub and Mrs. Linda Foley on their promotions to Clerk I.

Welcome home to Spec. 4 Robert Foley, husband of Clerk I Linda Foley. Spec. 4 Foley has just completed his second tour of duty in Vietnam and is now enjoying a well deserved leave with his family before reporting to Fort Belvoir, Virginia.

WESTERN DISTRICT — Happy vacation to Patrolman Salem F. Jamell, who motored to Marshalltown, Iowa, to visit his parents.

Welcome back, after a brief illness, to Patrolman Darryl Blankman.

Congratulations to Sergeant Frederick Buckmaster and his wife, Jeri, who celebrated their 20th Wedding Anniversary on November 24th. Sergeant Buckmaster is composing a commendation for his wife, for her endurance above and beyond the call of "duty".

Congratulations and good luck to Sergeant John C. Peach on his promotion to Lieutenant and to Patrolman Lewis C. Davis, III on his promotion to Sergeant.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT — Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Patrolman Kenneth Hayden after recently being shot by an assailant at the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company.

In Memoriam

THOMPSON, GORDON C., brother of Patrolman Calvin P. Thompson, Tactical Section, November 12.

LIMMER, JOHN B., father of Patrolman Robert E. Limmer, Northeastern District, November 13.

ROBERTS, JOHN, father of Patrolman Walter Roberts, Tactical Section, November 13.

PIERCE, ELLA, mother of Sergeant John Pierce, Southeastern District, November 14.

LINDSAY, CHARLES E., husband of Mrs. Ida Lindsay, Clerk, Tactical Section, November 15.

GAVIN, WILLIAM T., father of Patrolman John Gavin, Youth Section, Community Services Division, November 23.

Final Roll Call

WARNER, BRYAN J., Patrolman, Active Duty, Tactical Section, November 11.

BOISE, OTTO, Retired Patrolman, Southwestern District, November 11.

The Department extends its deepest sympathy to the family and loved ones of those recently deceased.



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Eighty-three Commended at War Memorial Graduation Ceremony

Graduation and Commendation Ceremonies were held at the War Memorial Building on Friday, December 3rd, when thirty-two young officers of the Baltimore Police Department received their certificates from the Education and Training Division.

In the absence of Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, Acting Commissioner Thomas J. Keyes presented the graduates with their certificates and his personal congratulations.

The Ceremony's Guest Speaker was Mr. William Boucher, III, the Executive Director of the Greater Baltimore Committee. Mr. Boucher delivered a thought-provoking address which underscored the absolute necessity for professional law enforcement in the life style of the City of Baltimore.

The Valedictory Class response was delivered by Officer Joel Weiner, who achieved the Graduating Class' highest academic average during the sixteen weeks training at the Mt. St. Agnes Educational Center.

The Commendation Exercises which followed honored eight civilians and seventy-five Officers for courageous and intelligent actions.

Special commendations were awarded to Sergeant Ellis Baldwin, Officer Frederick Dickens and Officer Gary Dresser.

Sergeant Baldwin of the Northeastern District was commended for his heroic actions in rescuing numerous persons stranded by flood waters during the August storm which took the lives of sixteen persons.

In conjunction with that presentation, Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Schafferman accepted a posthumous award for their

son Charles, who drowned while attempting to rescue several persons trapped in their automobiles. At the presentation of the award, the entire assembly stood in tribute to his selfless courage.

Officer Dickens of the Central District was commended for his heroic action in apprehending a man despite being wounded three times. Now, fully recovered from his wounds, Officer Dickens has returned to his Central District post.



Two small recipients of civilian awards beam with obvious pride at the presentation.

Officer Gary Dresser of the Western District was commended for successfully thwarting a holdup attempt by two armed assailants, while driving a taxicab.

Among other citizens receiving commendations were two young girls, Josephine and Shearthian Richardson, who alerted the Police to the suspicious actions of several persons resulting in successful arrests and subsequent burglary charges.

Progress:

Laboratory's Civilian Professionals

While the reassignment of Policemen from the Laboratory Division has been an obvious development for the past year, scant public attention has been drawn to the competence and high professional qualifications of their replacements.

All of the civilians have been hired as the first step in a series of continuing improvements of Laboratory services. The goal is to assemble a fully qualified and professional scientific staff.

At present, for example, each member of the Division's Chemical Analysis Section is a professional Chemist, possessing at least a Bachelor's Degree. Two of the members hold Master's Degrees and the Section Supervisor, Allen Kempainen, holds a PhD from Michigan State University.

Members of the Section are subdivided into three Units: Narcotics Analysis, Forensic Chemistry and Intoxication Testing. Each member was hired in accordance with the qualifications prescribed by the American Chemical Society, a prestigious organization comparable to the American Bar Association.

The Association sets minimum standards of forty-five credit hours in the field of Chemistry before a person qualifies as a Chemist. These major courses are supplemented by requisite course work in related physical and biological sciences.

The Chemical Section personnel were hired as Criminalists — a title demanding not only a Chemistry Degree, but ad-

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Dallas, Texas:

National Council On Crime And Delinquency

Baltimore Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, recently appointed to membership of the Law Enforcement Council of the National Council on Crime and Delinquency, attended that body's first meeting in Dallas, Texas, early this month.

The Law Enforcement Council is a new adjunct to the Advisory Councils of NCCD. It has been in the planning stages for nearly four years.

The first meeting of the Council concentrated on the primary aims of the National Organization: Technical competency made available to others, joining theory and research to practice; and citizen programs transforming ideas into action.

Other NCCD Councils include; the Council of Judges, Professional Correctional Council, Parole Council and the Council on Research.

In addition to Commissioner Pomerleau, law enforcement experts from the District of Columbia; Atlanta, Georgia; Dallas, Texas; Oakland, California and other major cities attended the three day session in Dallas.

Professionals

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ditional background and experience in laboratory law enforcement work. But, because of the overwhelming demand for Criminalists, the majority of personnel will be trained by Laboratory Division Staff to qualify as experts within their fields.

The Status of "expert" when achieved is an invaluable asset when sworn testimony must be given. It allows the individual to testify not only to what he knows to be fact, but also to interpret those facts.

The status can only be achieved in the actual courtroom context, and ordinarily consists of examination by the Assistant State's Attorney and Defense Counsel. Necessarily, the Defense's examination can be a grueling experience, particularly to one not absolutely current in all the pertinent phases of his field. After the questioning, the Judge rules as to the person's status.

The term "expert" is not applied for all time, however. On each future occasion of testifying, the individual must reestablish his qualifications to the satisfaction of the presiding judge.

As the Criminalists function within the Laboratory, they are aided by Crime Laboratory Technicians. Here again is evidenced the Division's commitment to the value of education. Of the thirty-one technicians presently employed thirteen hold Bachelor's Degrees in Chemistry. The Section Supervisor, Mr. Joseph Lanzetta, is also a college graduate who accumulated nineteen years of experience in his field before coming to the Baltimore Police Department.

The Crime Laboratory Technicians are responsible for processing crime scenes for fingerprints or any other physical evidence. During the third quarter of this year they recovered 1634 latent prints, close to a three hundred percent increase over the third quarter, 1970.

By assembling such a professional staff the Laboratory Division has made a sizeable investment in its future.

The results have been, in many cases, immediate. Police Officers are being returned to their primary roles as crime

fighters, roles for which they were well trained. And their civilian replacements have provided a professional foundation for tangible gains in the establishment of new and modern techniques in the field of law enforcement laboratory work.



Doctor Allen Kempainen, Supervisor of Chemical Analysis Section.

Headquarter's Museum

The new Baltimore Police Department Headquarters Building will be ready for occupancy early in 1972. On the first level visitors to the new facility will wander through the new Police Department Museum. This museum, with display cases and dioramas, will contain articles of memorabilia which trace the history of law enforcement in Baltimore. In addition current displays will give the casual visitor a good look at what law enforcement means today.

There is a pressing need for articles for the opening display, which should coincide with the opening of the Headquarters Building. Members of the Department, active and retired, who would be interested in having some of their own personal souvenirs displayed are asked to contact the Public Information Division. Credit, in the display itself, will be given for each article loaned. And all articles will be returned to the owners as soon as they are taken off display.

Anyone desiring to assist in the stocking of the various displays is asked to call Director Dennis Hill at extension 470.

Professional Post Scripts

Sir:

I am the mother of Charles H. Schafferman (deceased) who lost his life during the terrible flooding August 1, 1971 near the Rosedale vicinity.

Prior to his death, he had been helping Sgt. Ellis Baldwin of the City Police Dept., Northeastern District, rescue motorists whose cars were being submerged in the flooding waters.

Sgt. Baldwin credits my son with saving at least eight lives at the intersection of North Point Road and Pulaski Highway. For his heroism, Sgt. Baldwin has recommended him for the highest civilian award.

I am no less proud of Sgt. Baldwin. For naturally he had to perform the same heroic acts as my son did.

Just because the Lord's Will had it that one man live and one man die makes neither one any less deserving of credit due them.

In behalf of my son, my husband, children and myself beg of you to personally attend to this matter. And see to it that this fine man be recommended for top police awards.

We are very proud to have such wonderful men, as Sgt. Baldwin, on the City Police Department.

Sincerely, we remain
Mr. & Mrs. Charles L. Schafferman



Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schafferman with Sgt. Ellis Baldwin.

A Helping Hand

Tragedy struck with full force on Thursday, December 2nd, 1971, when fire destroyed the home of Mr. & Mrs. Donald Wilson in the 1200 block of Steelton Street. Mr. Wilson's sister died as a result of the fire and the remaining members of the family — Mr. & Mrs. Donald Wilson, Mrs. Virginia Wilson (Mr. Wilson's Mother) and five children, Bobbie 10 years, Zina 8 years, Donald 6 years, Lisia 5 years and Ricky 3 years, were left without a home, furnishings and clothing.



New living quarters were secured for the family by the American Red Cross and the Community Relations Section, Baltimore Police Department, is assisting utensils, bed linens and clothing.

Retirement System Trustee

On Thursday, December 2, Patrolman Francis R. Kavanaugh was sworn in as the new elected member to the Trusteeship of the Fire and Police Employee's Retirement System. The ceremony was conducted in the office of Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro, III.

Among those present to honor the new Board Member were his wife, Mrs. Connie Kavanaugh; Hyman Pressman, Chairman of the Board and Edward Heckrotte, another member of the Board. Sergeant Michael Zotos, representing Deputy Commissioner Ralph G. Murdy and Judge Simon Schonfield, representing the City's Solicitor's Office were also there for the occasion.

From Northern District: WFBR

One of Baltimore's most popular radio programs, "Conference Call", took place at an unusual place December 9th, 1971. The WFBR panel appeared at the Police Community Relations Council meeting at the Northern District for a taping of the program which was broadcast the following day at noon.

The Conference Call panel included; Ken Maylath, Lou Corbin, Tom Marr and moderator Wayne Gruhen. Questions for the program had been submitted before the broadcast was taped by members of the Police Community Relations Council.

The Conference Call appearance at the Northern District marked a first for both the Department and the program. Conference Call is usually broadcast live from the WFBR studios on East 20th Street. This was their first program to originate from a Police Department installation and the first time a major radio program has been performed at a Baltimore Police Department facility at least in recent memory.

The panel discussion program, the longest running of its kind in Baltimore has been on the air, on a regular basis, since the early 1960's. The first programs were caused by the Cuban missile crisis when members of the WFBR News Department gathered for a discussion of the fast moving events and for explanations of what various events could mean to the United States. The program proved so popular with the lunch-hour listeners that it was retained even after the military crisis ended. It remains a regular ingredient of many a lunch time diet today.

Northern District Commander Captain Robert L. Larkin and Mr. Paul J. Nevin the Chairman of the Police Community Relations Council for the Northern District hosted the meeting which preceeded the taping of the Conference Call program.

NEWS IN BRIEF

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT — Members of this District wish a speedy recovery to S.C.G. Mary LaMartina who is recuperating from recent surgery.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman Neil C. Splain and his wife, Jeanette, on the birth of their son, Michael Sean on November 25 and weighing 8 lbs. 6 oz. S.C.G. Audrey Van Fossen, Southern District, is the Grandmother.

TACTICAL SECTION — Members of this Section wish a speedy recovery to Sergeant Ned K. Schleig, recently injured in the line of duty and now recuperating at his home after hospitalization.

PLANNING AND RESEARCH DIVISION — Members of this Division wish the best of luck to Lieutenant Henry P. Roth in his new assignment at the Northwestern District.

Best wishes to Police Agent Gilbert Robinette in his new assignment.

Welcome aboard to Police Agents Guy Boston and Gordon Scott and to Patrolman Robert Spangler recently assigned to this Division.

Helicopter Unit — Officer Charles George is presently recuperating at his home, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Members of this Unit wish him a speedy recovery and hurry and get well, "Charlie".

Congratulations to Flight Officer and Mrs. Henry Lippincott (Charlene) on the birth of a son, Eric, 7 lbs. 4 ozs., born on December 8th.

Congratulations go out to Clerk Norma Clark on the recent announcement of her engagement to Mr. Warren Stevens.

PERSONNEL DIVISION — Recruitment — Members of this Division wish a speedy recovery to Clerk Natalie Pollard, recuperating at home from recent surgery.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Welcome aboard to the following personnel: Lieutenant James A. Kelly and Detective Robert D. Weaver to Special Investigations Section; Sergeants Elmer J. McIntyre and Stewart J. Oliver and Detectives Charles W. Hedrick and Ronald J. LaMartina to the Property Crimes Section and to Detective Llewellyn M.

Dykes, 3rd, to the Vice Control Section.

The entire personnel of the Criminal Investigation Division wishes to extend Seasons Greetings to all members of the Department; its many friends in other local departments and all members and their families who have retired from this Division.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT — Sincere best wishes to Sergeant Gerald Elgert and Patrolman Felix Drzewiezki upon their recent retirement from the Department. Together, both Officers represent 56 years of dedicated Police Service. We hope they enjoy a long and happy retirement.

NORTHERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Officer William Wielechowski and Phyllis M. Chojnowski on their recent marriage.

Sincere wishes for a speedy recovery to Officer Thomas Siecinski now recuperating from recent surgery at Maryland General Hospital.

WESTERN DISTRICT — A fond farewell and good luck on new assignments to Officers Samuel Ritch, Jr. and Roger R. McMillian.

We wish Lieutenant Clarence Etheridge a speedy recovery - hurry back.

Welcome Aboard to the new personnel: Officers Paul M. Healey, Michael McKinney, Donald J. Nieberlein, Artura S. Saclolo and Thomas W. West. Also to Sergeant William Phelps, who was recently promoted.

Sergeant Charles H. Hellams, Sr. proudly announces the Western District Police Community Relations Council will hold their annual Christmas Party at the Civic Center, on December 17th, 1971 for 250 children and 50 adults. Along with the party will be a Bullet Basketball Game.

PUBLIC INFORMATION DIVISION — A speedy recovery is wished to Master Richard Hallquist, grandson of Mrs. Mary Williams, who recently had a tonsilectomy.

CENTRAL DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. Timothy J. Neuman on the birth of their TWINS, a daughter, Kathleen Denise, weighing 6 lbs. 12 oz. and a son, William Nicholas, weighing 6 lbs. 10 oz., born on November 27.

Congratulations to Officer and Mrs. Anthony Ingoglia on the birth of their daughter, Florence Gretchen, 5 lbs. 13 ozs., born on November 24, 1971.

Fugitive Squad "Dean" Retires

The Department's Criminal Investigation Division lost its most familiar face on November 20 with the retirement of Sergeant Harry Tracey after thirty-eight years of service.

Sergeant Tracey, who entered the Department in 1933, had previously served in the Western and Central Districts and the Traffic Division. He had been a member of the Fugitive Squad since 1942.



At a retirement party attended by Deputy Commissioner Frank J. Battaglia and Major Anton Glover, the men of the Criminal Investigation Division paid a final tribute to the "Dean of the Fugitive Squad", combining the occasion with sincere wishes for a happy and well deserved retirement.

In Memoriam

SHOEMAKER, IRENE A., mother of Patrolman Wade Teves, Tactical Section, Marine Unit, November 23.

BOLAND, FRANCES A., mother of Patrolman Robert A. Boland, Central District, November 24.

ROTHENBURG, JAMES H., brother of S.C.G. Rita Herold, Southwestern District, November 26.

CRAIG, RENA, mother of Sergeant Olwine Craig, Southeastern District, November 29.

BURCH, ROBERT O., father of Patrolman William Burch, Central District, November 30.

DENKINS, LILLIAN, mother of Patrolman Richard Sloan, Tactical Section, K-9 Unit, December 3.



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SEASON'S GREETINGS



BALTIMORE, MARYLAND



December 24, 1971

As the Holiday Season arrives, may all of the joy and happiness possible, come to you and yours. It is my hope that the New Year will bring to all, those things for which we are striving so diligently
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The Holiday, which is upon us, is many things to many people. That event, nearly 2,000 years ago and so many miles away, unalterably left its mark on mankind. Tonight, people of many lands will celebrate the Holiday.

In our own community the churches will fill, homes will be filled with families and friends. Good cheer and tidings of the season will fill the air.

Children will spend a restless evening, in expectation of what the morning will bring. And the morning will bring something for almost everyone. For all there will be that happy note which comes only on this most special day of the year.

For us, tonight will also be unique. The calls will be broadcast, as always, and some of them will be serious. We will see the grief on the faces of those in need of assistance. And we will help. But mostly there'll be that quiet air of expectation. Last minute hustling as the stores start to close. Traffic will pick up late in the evening and again early in the morning as the faithful visit the various churches throughout our community.

Many will have to fit Christmas into a few hours, early tomorrow morning. Or maybe we'll have to wait until evening before the presents are opened. For many there'll be calls to answer, problems to solve, and those people who need help, even on Christmas. And we'll be there.

But, as every experienced law enforcement officer knows, there's that one quality which we see 365 days a year, but maybe even more on Christmas . . . it's gratitude. And from most residents of the community a simple, but sincere, "thank you for being here."





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A Basket For Christmas

For more than twenty years, personnel of the Police Boys' Clubs, Community Services Division, have distributed baskets of food to needy families on Christmas Eve. This year was no exception.

Coordination for the annual project usually begins in early December when lists of the needy are assembled by Officers assigned to the Youth Section. Many times the names are submitted from the personal knowledge of the Officers who work closely with boys all over the City throughout the year.



In other cases neighbors contact the Officers and make known the needs of persons within their community. All choices are first screened to determine definite need.

Planning continues as several area organizations lend their invaluable support to the program. This year, as in every year past, the Saints and Sinners organization donated money raised from its social functions. The Sponsor's Club, consisting of employees from Hochschild Kohn Stores, also donated money and canned goods to the Department.

Additionally, the Boys' Clubs Supervisor must make purchases of wholesale foods from area distributors, using the cash money donated.

The actual packing of the baskets is

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close to an all day job. This year, it was done at the Northern District. In all, over one hundred and thirty-five baskets were filled and readied for distribution.

Each basket contains two chickens, numerous types of canned goods and fresh fruit. The types of food are determined by a dietician to insure the most balanced and nutritious combination, so the baskets can serve as the nucleus of several well balanced meals.

On Thursday, December 24, the Officers again assembled at Northern District to begin the distribution that would take them into every District in the City. It was the culmination of several weeks' work, unselfish cooperation and Christmas spirit. It was also a small way of showing the City's sick and needy that someone cares.

Commissioner Promotes Eight

On Wednesday, December 22, Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau promoted eight members of the Baltimore Police Department.

The Ceremony was conducted in the Traffic Roll Call Room. Relatives and friends of the newly promoted Officers and members of the Command Staff attended.

Promoted to the rank of Lieutenant were Sergeant Robert L. DiStefano of the Eastern District and Sergeant William A. Jackson of the Education and Training Division.



Promoted to Sergeant were Police Agents Donald J. Bartnik of the Criminal Investigation Division, Gilbert H. Robinette of the Administrative Bureau and Joseph Pugh of the Inspectional Services Division.

Also promoted to Sergeant were Patrolmen Kenneth Peach of Northern District, Ronald L. Billingsley of Western District and Gene H. Smith, Sr. of the Tactical Section.

Commissioner Pomerleau extended his personal congratulations to each of the newly promoted Officers and their families.



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'Tis The Season...

For children Christmas is an especially enchanting time of the year. And the delightful laughter of the small folk filled several of the Department's District Stations prior to December 25th.

On Wednesday December 15, 1971 more than 150 children of Departmental personnel were on hand in the South-western District station for two hours of goodies and party fun. Feature of the evening, a program of entertainment including a puppet show and the arrival of Santa Claus.

Santa was on hand at the North-eastern District on Saturday December 18th as more than 250 youngsters shared candy, ice-cream and toys. Commissioner and Mrs. Donald D. Pomerleau stopped by to pass on a personal greeting to the children and officers gathered.

The Commissioner and Mrs. Pomerleau also visited the children's Christmas Party at the Northern District on December 18th. Santa Claus was there too as 250 children enjoyed the festivities.

At the Western District the Christmas Party was for youngsters living in the District. More than 300 of these youngsters were treated on December 17th to an evening of fun. Toys were distributed and all of the youngsters were treated to a trip to the Baltimore Civic Center to watch the Baltimore Bullets game. As the youngsters returned from the game each was given a box of Christmas Candies.

New Unit Formed

On Thursday, December 23, Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau announced the signing of a three year, \$455,466 sub-contract with the State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the United States Department of Transportation.

Under the Contract's provision's, the Baltimore Police Department will form an Alcohol Traffic Safety Unit that will become operational on January 1, 1972.

The new Unit will function under the Directorship of Lieutenant Colonel William A. Harris, Chief of the Traffic Division. The Program of Operation, known as the Alcohol Safety Action Project, will be an intensive campaign of selective enforcement and assignment designed specifically to reduce the number of alcohol-related accidents in Baltimore.

The new Unit will contain eight uniformed Officers under the Supervision of a Sergeant. Members of the Unit will be deployed according to statistics furnished by the Traffic Analysis Unit with regard to those areas of the City identified as particularly hazardous from the standpoint of alcohol-related accidents and enforcement.

Presently, the Officers assigned to the project are attending courses offered by the Maryland State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. The courses are designed to familiarize the Officers with the theoretical and practical considerations concerning the drinking driver and alcohol-related accidents.

Other Agencies participating in the Project include the Maryland State Police, the State Motor Vehicle Administration and the District Court System.

All of the involved Agencies are aware that the efficient enforcement of a comprehensive law is one of the best preventive measures against an increased accident rate involving the drinking driver. The Alcohol Safety Action Project is expected to demonstrate the effectiveness of such enforcement.

B'nai B'rith

Many members of the Baltimore Police Department noticed the absence, this year, of members of Menorah Lodge of B'nai B'rith. For the past several years these fine gentlemen had filled in on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day so that some members of the Department could have time off to enjoy their Holiday.

This year Christmas coincided with the Jewish Sabbath and therefore members of Menorah Lodge were unable to assist in Operation Friendship. Menorah Lodge President Sylvan Wolpert, in a letter to Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, passed along best wishes for the Holiday Season from his organization.

The Commissioner thanked the members of Menorah Lodge assuring them that their "kindness and community spirit" were well remembered even though it was impossible for Operation Friendship to take place this year.



Mr. Bernard Potts, National Commissioner for Community Services of B'nai B'rith, greets Chief of Patrol Lieutenant Colonel Donald T. Shanahan, Herbert H. Levy and Menorah Lodge President Sylvan Wolpert look on.



Santa's Workshop at the Western District Police Boys' Club.

Professional Post Scripts

Dear Sir:

Recently—it was Saturday, December 4, 1971 to be exact—a radio car was passing down an alley here in the city—it was about 4:30 in the afternoon, and the garbage tins were still outside the building, as the janitor did not show up that day. There was a Nun outside as the radio car was passing and she intended to take the cans in so as not to have them outside over the Sunday. The radio car stopped and one of the officers asked if she wanted help—so she told him about the janitor and he said he would be glad to put the cans in—there were about 12 cans—and without any more to-do, he did just that, placing the cans in the basement—much grateful thanks to the good officer. May God bless him—whoever he is—also all the other good officers who may probably do many kindly acts such as this one.

Respectfully submitted,
A Grateful Friend
of the Police

NEEDED: VOLUNTEERS

The Baltimore Regional Office of the Red Cross is asking for persons to assist on Red Cross Bloodmobile Units. Volunteers perform simple but necessary tasks, since every blood donor must be registered, have pulse and temperature taken, and be given refreshments after donating blood.

Both men and women are needed to serve once a week or once a month. Hours are available at the volunteer's convenience. Work from 11 A.M. to 5 P.M. will take the volunteer to various companies within Metropolitan Baltimore.

Anyone interested can obtain additional information by contacting the Regional Office at 467-9905.

Sixth Annual Christmas Party

North Point Gardens was the scene of the 6th Annual Christmas Party for members of the Baltimore Police Department. Festivities began shortly after 8:00 P.M., Friday, December 17, 1971.

As in years past both the trappings and the mood were in keeping with the festive season. Several hundred members of the Department and their guests filled the room and enjoyed an evening of entertainment.



After the buffet style dinner, Santa Claus made his annual appearance. With some assistance from members of the audience and from Captain Ronald Mullen, Santa distributed presents to several among those present.

The newly elected Mayor of Baltimore, the Honorable William Donald Schaefer, was one of the honored guests for the Friday evening affair. The Mayor extended his personal holiday greeting to all members of the Department and joined Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau in hoping that the coming year would be a bright one.

The North Point Gardens Christmas Party was the kickoff of a series of gatherings held on every level throughout the Department. Parties were held in many of the Districts and in many of the Headquarters Divisions.

Thursday, December 23, 1971 was the day on which most of the Christmas celebrations took place.

Conference On Crime

Officer Robert Day of the Community Services Division recently attended the Fourth Annual High School Conference on Crime sponsored by Attorney General Francis B. Burch. The Conference was held at Lake Clifton Senior High School.

Student representatives from all public and private high schools in the Baltimore area attended.

Participating in the Conference, Officer Day spoke on the "Police Awareness Program and Crime in the Community," within the context of Seminar I: Social, economic and environmental conditions contributing to crime.

Other Seminars treated such topics as Narcotics, Corrections, Rehabilitation and Parole, and The News Media.

A Group Discussion followed the Luncheon and was attended by students who had participated in each of the separate Seminars during the morning hours. Seminar topics were then summarized and conclusions and recommendations proposed by the students for submission to pertinent agencies or organizations.



Santa's Helper

NEWS IN BRIEF

NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT — Congratulations to Patrolman Wendell E. Reid and his bride, the former Carmen Colorado, on their recent marriage.

Congratulations to Patrolman Peter W. Katich and his bride, the former Donna Lee Kane, recently wed.

Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. Jessie Benson, the proud parents of a baby boy, Joseph E.

Congratulations to Patrolman James Schaeckel and his wife, Diane, on the birth of their daughter, Kimberly on December 3 and weighing 6 lbs. 11 oz.

Congratulations to Patrolman Martin Ries, who became a grandfather when his daughter, Shirley Sienkiewicz gave birth to twins, Diane Marie and Suzanne Michele on December 17. The babies weighed 5 lbs. 5 oz. and 3 lbs. 11 oz.

Patrolman and Mrs. Norman Weber celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary with a surprise party which was given by their children. Their anniversary date was October 12, but the party was held October 17 at the Union Bridge Firemans Social Hall.

The members of the Northwestern District extend sincere sympathy to Sergeant Leroy Dedmon on his recent loss.

Patrolman John J. McNally, Jr. retired on December 15 and was presented with a gold watch, a token of remembrance from members of this District. We all wish Officer McNally many happy years.

NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT—Sincere sympathy is extended to Officer James Fugitt, Mrs. Mary Ellen Greene and Miss Gloria Nolker on their recent loss.

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION—Congratulations to Lieutenant and Mrs. LeRoy H. Williams who became the proud grandparents of a grandson, Roy Douglas Williams, II, on December 11. The baby weighed 6 lbs. 1 oz.

On December 12, Sergeant Glenn A. Egbert placed Third in the Senior Division of the 1971 Baltimore City Weightlifting Championships sponsored by the Bureau of Recreation. In the pre-teenage Division, Sergeant Egbert's 7 year old son, placed high

with an impressive deep knee bend of 125 lbs. He was the youngest lifter in the contest.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE — Wishes for a speedy recovery to Margaret (Maggie) Bemrick.

CENTRAL RECORDS DIVISION — Congratulations are extended to:

Clerk Ruth Snyder on her engagement to William Corn. A fall wedding is being planned.

Clerk Patricia Lane on her engagement to Gerald Miller. Wedding Bells will ring in June.

WESTERN DISTRICT — Police Community Relations Council's Christmas Party on December 17th was a tremendous success. Youngsters from the Schools in this District attended with their parents, teachers and chaperons. A total of 336 enjoyed the party and the highlight of the evening—a Bullet Basketball Game. Fun was had by young and old.

Welcome back after a brief illness, Lieutenant Clarence Etheridge and Officer Joseph E. Mitchell.

Speedy recovery to Officer Edmund Fry who is recuperating from recent surgery.

Again, we say happy flying to Clerk Francis T. Evans, who will be spending the New Year Holidays in Ocho Rios, Jamaica.

CENTRAL DISTRICT — Better luck next time to Sergeant Paul Egbert who lost a Third Place Trophy to his brother, Sergeant Glenn Egbert, Communications Division, at the Annual City-Wide Bureau of Recreation Power Weight Lifting Meet, held at Chick Webb Recreation Center, December 12.

Representative Personnel Board

On December 13 an election was held to determine who would represent the Department's 388 School Crossing Guards on the Personnel Service Board.

As a result of the Election, School Crossing Guard Edna F. Foy was elected and will formally assume her duties on January 11, 1972.

The Election marks the first time that the Crossing Guards are represented on the Board, the result of a Board recommendation made several months ago, and approved by Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau.

Legal Holidays

New Year's Day.....January 1, 1972
Lincoln's Birthday.....February 12, 1972
Wash. Birthday.....February 21, 1972
Maryland Day.....March 25, 1972
Good Friday.....March 31, 1972
Memorial Day.....May 29, 1972
Independence Day.....July 4, 1972
Labor Day.....September 4, 1972
Defender's Day.....September 12, 1972
Columbus Day.....October 9, 1972
Veteran's Day.....October 23, 1972
Election Day.....November 7, 1972
Thanksgiving Day.....November 23, 1972
Christmas Day.....December 25, 1972

In Memoriam

DUMBROWSKI, HENRY F., SR., father of Patrolman Henry F. Dumbrowski, Jr., Communications Division, December 10.

FUGITT, JAMES A., JR., father of Patrolman James A. Fugitt, III, Northeastern District; brother of Clerk Mary Greene, Northeastern District and brother-in-law of Clerk Gloria Nolker, Northeastern District, December 13.

KIPPS, JOHN, brother-in-law of Emergency Call Clerk William Weederman, Communications Division, December 15.

SIMMONS, ESTHER MAE, mother of Patrolman James L. Simmons, Tactical Section, December 12.

BLOCK, MORRIS, father of Sergeant Melvin Block, Motorcycle Section, Traffic Division, December 16.

VANCELEAVE, WILLIAM, father of Clerk Nina Vancleave, Planning and Research, December 19.

FOWLER, JOHN I., father of Clerk Gertrude Fowler, Eastern District, December 20.

Final Roll Call

LANGNER, ERNEST, Retired Patrolman, Southwestern District, December 17.

The Department extends its deepest sympathy to the family and loved ones of those recently deceased.