



BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## New Changes In Motor Vehicle Law

The State Motor Vehicle Administration has issued a reminder that changes in the State's Motor Vehicle Laws now require all motor vehicles, operated in the State of Maryland, to be insured. Violation of the motor vehicle laws is punishable by fine and/or imprisonment.

According to the regulation, "every owner of a motor vehicle required to be registered in this State shall maintain automobile liability insurance on such vehicle in the amounts of \$15,000, \$30,000 and \$5,000 in accordance with Section 7-101 of Article 66 $\frac{1}{2}$  of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

The Motor Vehicle Administration advises that, "failure to maintain insurance is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$500 or by imprisonment for not more than two months or both.

In addition, failure to carry the required insurance results in automatic suspension of registration plates, and persons who operate or knowingly permit another to operate while the registration is suspended are also subject to a fine of \$500 and/or two months imprisonment. Authorities may remove and seize tags from vehicles when registration privileges are suspended.

The mandatory insurance rule is part of the new insurance reform program and persons unable to obtain automobile insurance from a private insurer may make application for coverage with the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund, a State operated company.

There have been a number of inquiries concerning action required by this change. The Deputy Commissioner of the Operations Bureau, Frank J. Battaglia, has issued the following instruction for the information of members of the Department:

*Article 66 $\frac{1}{2}$ , Sections 7-101 and 7-102, requires that a motorist carry automobile insurance and further provides for an automatic suspension of license if such insurance is not provided for. The District Court of Maryland is requiring that defendants charged with this offense appear for trial. Thus, no amount of fine should be inserted on a summons issued by an Officer. Violators should not be arrested, but should be issued a summons to appear on the Officer's next scheduled day in Traffic Court.*

## **BLOOD . . .** **who needs it!**

The Baltimore Regional Red Cross is presently conducting a concerted effort to increase donations to its various Blood Bank programs. The Baltimore Police Department, through its Blood Assurance Program which is a part of the Red Cross system, is also seeking to increase participation.

When blood is actually needed, it's a little late to decide to join a blood assurance group. Decide now.

Members of the Department's Blood Assurance Program are asked to give blood once a year. In return, "every member of that group" is automatically eligible to receive blood through the Red Cross. Included in this coverage are immediate family members of those participating.

The actual donation takes about 5 minutes. Donors will go to the Red Cross Center, 2301 St. Paul Street. It is a quick process and the donor will resume normal activity immediately.

For additional information on the Department's Blood Assurance Program, contact Detective Richard L. Ayres at extension 2485.

## Unique Career Graduates Told

Thirty probationary patrolmen graduated from the Department's Education and Training Center at ceremonies conducted at the Police Headquarters Building on January 5, 1973. The new Officers, who completed the Education and Training program, reported to their new assignments in the various Districts on January 8, 1973.

Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau welcomed the new graduates to the Baltimore Police Department and he expressed his gratitude to the families of the Officers who have stood behind them, with understanding, through the Education and Training process.

The Graduation Address was delivered by Baltimore State's Attorney Milton B. Allen. Mr. Allen's experience with Law Enforcement, in both the private and public sector, spans over a quarter of a century.

The State's Attorney reviewed some of the accomplishments of the Department and promised the new officers a career which will be as rewarding as it is demanding. Mr. Allen said that each officer is required to make decisions, on a moment's notice, which will be reflected on in months to follow.

Pointing out that a Police Officer often doesn't have the luxury of time for contemplation, he advised the officers to move with resolution relying on good judgement, reasoning and the training which they have received.

The new graduates and their families were personally greeted by members of the Command Staff at a reception which followed the graduation ceremonies.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — Best wishes for a long and happy retirement to Lieutenant James Hartnett who retired on December 21 after more than 25 years of service with the Department.

Congratulations to Officer Charles Bruggeman and his wife, Louise, on the birth of a daughter, Mary Katherine, weighing 6 lbs. 15 oz., on December 24.

**EASTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Patrolman Martin Beauchamp and his wife, Eileen, on the birth of a daughter, Diane Judith, December 12, weighing 8 lbs. 3 oz.

**WESTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Officer and Mrs. Claude Merritt, on the birth of a son, Lee Howard, on December 30, weighing 6 lbs. 4½ oz.

**NORTHERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Officer Stanley Heddings and wife, Bonnie, on the birth of a daughter, Constance Lynn, on December 30, weighing 6 lb. 1 oz.

### *In Memoriam*

**DiPINO, JENNIE**, mother of Retired Captain James DiPino and grandmother of Sergeant Charles DiPino, Eastern District, December 1.

**DIETZ, KATHERINE**, grandmother of Police Agent William Robbins, Internal Investigation Division, December 2.

**JOHNS, PETER H.**, father-in-law of Detective Henry J. Kordek, Criminal Investigation Division, Auto Theft Unit, December 3.

**SHALCOSKY, STANLEY**, step-father of Patrolman John Bryl, Retired from Communications Division, December 4.

**WYNEGAR, JAMES D.**, father of Sergeant David Wynegar, Northern District, December 6.

**CITY, CATHERINE M.**, wife of John L. City, Senior Accountant, Fiscal Affairs, December 9.

**LINTHICUM, HARRY**, father-in-law of Officer Carl Mahlstedt, Jr., Southwestern District, December 9.

**McSHANE, MARIE**, grandmother of Detective James McGee, Criminal Investigation Division, Property Crimes Section, December 10.

**MULLEN, ALFORD**, brother of School Crossing Guard Nellie Ransome, Eastern District, December 10.

**GREER, MARGARET**, mother of Detective Jerome Greer, Internal Investigation Division, December 15.

**WHEN, THOMAS**, father of Officer George When, Retired from Central District, December 16.

**SVEJDA, AGNES F.**, aunt of Lillian DeWeese, Property Crimes Section, Criminal Investigation Division, December 18.

**SIRULNIK, JOSEPH**, father of Clerk Lillian Sirulnik, Central Records Division, December 19.

**DZIWULSKI, JOHN J., JR.**, brother of Sergeant Walter Dziwulski of the Northwestern District, December 19.

**ELLIOTT, EDITH M.**, mother of Pa-

trolman Ernest Elliott of the Southeastern District, December 21.

**ANTHONY, ALBERT L.**, uncle of Patrolman Charles Douglas of the Eastern District, December 23.

**ZEILER, CHARLES**, brother of Sergeant Stephen M. Zeiler and Patrolman John N. Zeiler of the Traffic Division, December 24.

**CIMION, ANDREW R.**, father-in-law of Patrolman William DePaola, of Community Services, Youth Division, December 25.

**MILLER, MOX**, father of Patrolman Michael Miller of the Western District, December 25.

**NICOSIA, MARY**, sister of Patrolman Patrick McShane of the Southern District, December 26.

**RUNK, LORRAINE E.**, sister of Patrolman Robert M. Hurley of the Northeastern District, December 26.

**HORZ, RAYMOND C.**, husband of Anna B. Horz, Criminal Investigation Division, Narcotics Unit, December 29.

## Final Roll Call

**HINKLE, HARRY W.**, Patrolman, Retired from the Northwestern District, December 21.

**VALENZA, ANDREW**, Patrolman, Retired from the Southern District, December 28.

**BLANEY, GEORGE D.**, Patrolman, Retired from the Maintenance Department, January 1.

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



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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

January 24, 1973

## New Canteen Opens

On Monday, January 22, 1973 the Canteen, located on the 5th floor of the Headquarters Building, became fully operational. Serviced through an innovative automated system, the Canteen is open on a 7-day, 24 hour basis.

The present facility is comprised of twelve vending machines which contain an assortment of hot and cold sandwiches, casseroles, salads, soups, and a variety of dessert items. A varied selection of hot and cold beverages is also available. Micro-wave ovens and a dollar bill and coin changer are also available for the convenience of diners.

In order to ensure the smooth operation and speedy service which members of the Department expect the automated food dispensing area is serviced by a number of attendants who are on duty from 0800 until 1600 daily, Monday through Friday. These personnel will repair minor vending machine snags such as coin jams. Additionally they will sanitize and restock the machines so that fresh items are always available.

The uniformed attendants are authorized to make refunds in the event that a patron is dissatisfied with his selection. If machine difficulties occur the attendants will make prompt refunds and attempt to repair the difficulty immediately. If there is a malfunction of the machinery when an attendant is not on duty personnel are advised to fill out a refund slip which can be found in the vending area. Refunds, on that basis, will be made on the next business day.

Members of the Department who will be using the new facility are reminded that each has the responsibility for maintaining the tidiness of the dining area. Representatives of the company which installed the food service urge all members of the Department to communicate any suggestions to the hostess.

## Police Weapons Center Recommends:

A recent edition of Crime Control Digest carried information regarding the malfunction of police weapons. An example of a misfire situation was drawn from the files of the Police Weapons Center of the International Association of Chiefs of Police. It detailed an account of an officer who was assaulted by a knife wielding subject. The officer, it is reported, drew his service revolver and attempted to fire at the assailant. The weapon misfired.

A laboratory analysis determined that the cartridge primer had been inerted, and that the powder in the cartridge would not have fired. This condition was linked to the use of a spray-type gun lubricant. Furthermore, tests revealed that all six cartridges in the officer's gun were in a similar condition and would have misfired.

The laboratory report stated: "The powder was caked in the casing and appeared to have been contaminated by oil. A portion was ignited with a match and found to burn, but flash point and burning were greatly retarded. The primer had in fact fired, smoldered and went out before lighting the powder. That there was no detonation was further substantiated by the fact that the primer was not backed out. The other five rounds in the gun showed similar results. In my opinion, the oil contamination probably occurred after the ammunition was placed in service. An overly oiled gun could produce conditions whereby the primer might soak up oil simply from its physical contact with the gun."

The report further stated: "With the advent of new lubricating preservatives, packed in aerosol cans, a very real problem surfaced. While they do an excellent

job of gun protection from the elements, it was found that their extra penetrating capabilities could be disastrous. The compound lubricant vehicle (solvent) is very penetrating, and will carry the oil or lubricant into area not easily reached by oil alone. It is also believed that they may be capable of destroying or at least bypassing the sealant around the primer to penetrate the priming compound causing breakdown."

The Police Weapons Center recommends that any officer who may have used a spray lubricant on his weapon immediately replace all cartridges which have contacted that firearm. Spray lubricants can be used, if they are used properly. To do so PWC recommends that:

*All cartridges be removed from the cylinder before the spray is applied. In revolvers, the entire cylinder, inside and out, should be wiped dry; check for excess lubricant under the cylinder extractor and surrounding area including recoil plate and bushings, with particular attention to the firing pin access opening.*

## Hours Extended

In order to better serve both members of the media and of the Department the Public Information Division has extended its office hours. As of January 22, 1973 the Public Information Office is open from 0800 hours until 2000 hours Monday through Friday.

Members of the Department who require assistance from the Public Information Division at other times may call extension 2012 and a member of the Division will contact them promptly.

A member of the Public Information Division is on call 24 hours daily to provide assistance to anyone within the Department.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — The members of the Special Investigation Unit of this Division under the command of Lieutenant James A. Kelly donated \$60.00 to Santa Claus Anonymous in lieu of sending Christmas cards to each other.

Congratulations to Detective Donald L. Robinson and Elizabeth A. Jessie who were married on November 25.

Welcome aboard to Police Agent Richard T. Marks and Detective Thaddeus N. Logan. Good luck to Detective Bernard Y. Jackson on his new assignment with the Western District.

**PATROL DIVISION** — Congratulations to Lieutenant Colonel Frank J. Serra and Officer Raymond A. Mackessy who both celebrated their 25th anniversary with the Department on December 18, 1972.

Best wishes for a complete recovery to Patrolman Milton Arzycinski.

Welcome back to Patrolman Marion Bennett.

**NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT** — Welcome to the following personnel to our District: Lieutenant William T. McCarthy, Sergeants George C. Carmichael and John P. Henderson, Patrolmen David Roberts and Earl R. Williams.

Bon voyage to the following: Lieutenant Charles R. Blondel, Sergeants Andrew A. Hevesy, William Clark and Frederick Neubauer and Patrolman

James Possidenti.

Good luck and congratulations to Sergeants Charles Brown and Gary D'Addario on their recent promotion.

For the third year in a row, the Northwest Democratic Club did an outstanding job of supplying Christmas Baskets to 15 needy families. Mr. Nat Harris, of the club, had the help of Sergeants Norman Parker and Patrolman Charles Trautwein, and many others, who helped organize the project and deliver the baskets.

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Patrolman Carl (Pete) Mahlstedt and his wife, Ruth, on the birth of a son December 10, weighing 8 lbs. 9 oz.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Patrolmen Edward Cummings, Christopher Kessler Morton and Harry Stevens.

**COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION** — Best wishes for a quick recovery to Emergency Call Clerks Paul Phelan and Anthony Dimiduke.

The Roosevelt Recreation Weightlifting Team, coached by Sergeant Glenn Egbert, won the 1st Place Team Trophy at the recent Baltimore City Weightlifting Championships. In the pre-teen division, Sergeant Egbert's son, Paul, 8 years of age, performed a 160 lb. deep knee bend.

**INTERNAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — Members of this Division wish to extend deepest sympathy to Detective Daniel Gunter on his recent loss.

**NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Officer Harry Hil-

brand and family on the arrival of a daughter on January 15.

**CENTRAL DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Officer and Mrs. Thomas Howard on the birth of their first child, Jennifer Leigh, weighing 9 lbs. 15 oz.

**SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — Get well wishes to Officers Theodore Brown and Joseph Candella, both recuperating at home.

Sincere sympathy to Officer Ernest Elliott on his recent loss.

Welcome aboard to Officers Grayson Baxter and Tyrone Patterson.

Welcome back to Sergeant Peter Barber after recent surgery.

## In Memoriam

**LIPPY, FANNIE MAY**, mother of Officer Carroll Degenbard, Point Control, Traffic Division, January 7.

**HARLEE, ROSE**, sister of School Crossing Guard Eugenia Johnson, Southeastern District, January 8.

**NOLAND, GOLDIE**, grandmother of Detective Jerry Rouss, Vice Section, Criminal Investigation Division, January 8.

**GUNTER, JAMES E.**, father of Detective Daniel Gunter, Internal Investigation Division, January 11.

## Final Roll Call

**BIEMELLER, JOHN LLOYD**, Lieutenant, retired from the Youth Division, January 13.



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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

February 7, 1973

## *YOU need to know . . .*

On January 26, 1973 Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau issued a statement announcing the indictment and arrest of several members of the Department. The Police Commissioner, in his presentation, detailed the background and scope of that investigation. The statement is presented here for the information of members of the Department:

I wish to announce that Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and members of the Baltimore Police Department in cooperation with the United States Attorney for the District of Maryland, concluded a nine month investigation by arresting 26 persons at 8:00 a.m., today, for violations involving the Organized Crime Control Act of 1970.

Eighteen are civilians, six are police officers of the department and two are former police officers of the force.

The six active duty policemen are:

(Name)	(Assignment)
Detective Patrolman Jack H. Cook	Criminal Investigation Division
Detective Patrolman Clarence S. Emmons, III	Criminal Investigation Division
Detective Patrolman Ralph E. Faulkner	Criminal Investigation Division
Detective Patrolman Francis C. Robey	Criminal Investigation Division
Detective Patrolman Vernon E. Townsend	Criminal Investigation Division
Detective Patrolman Edmund L. Welsh, Jr.	Criminal Investigation Division

The former members of the department are:

Detective Patrolman Vincent John DiCarlo	Retired
Detective Patrolman Bobby Frank Eddins	Resigned

I have handouts for you which will provide names, addresses, charges and biographical data of the police officers involved. I also have the names, addresses and charges for the eighteen civilians that have been arrested.

I wish to emphasize that the actions this morning result from an extensive investigation which commenced in April, 1972. At that time I was in possession of information which had been developed by and given to me by police officers of the Baltimore Police Department. This information indicated a possible lack of integrity on the part of some members of this department. Evaluation of these data indicated to me the very likely possibility that the activity was a violation of the Organized Crime Control Act of 1970.

Having reached that conclusion the following considerations were evaluated:

- (1) the scope of the investigation would probably go beyond the jurisdiction of the Baltimore Police Department and,
- (2) sophisticated electronic devices would probably be needed to bring the case to a successful conclusion — Title III of the Omnibus Crime Control Bill could be used if it were determined there was a federal violation. You will recall, gentlemen, that there has been some question raised as to the legality of the Maryland statute pertaining to electronic devices.

Having made this judgment I reached the further conclusion that I would ask the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the United States Attorney for their assistance. On 13 April, 1972 I called Mr. Thomas Farrow, the Special Agent in Charge of the Baltimore Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, requesting a meeting

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## *Court Workload Changes Instituted*

As an additional means toward balancing the workload in the various District Courts within the City of Baltimore a new system has been developed which, it is hoped, will relieve undue hardships on all concerned.

Beginning February 1, 1973 the following procedures were put into effect:

**CENTRAL DISTRICT** — All persons arrested in the area bounded by Biddle Street on the North, Cathedral Street on the East, Pratt Street on the South and Fremont Avenue on the West, are being transported to the Southwestern District where they are being processed and the charges recorded on the Southwestern District Court docket.

**WESTERN DISTRICT** — All persons arrested in the area bounded by Lafayette Avenue on the North, Fulton Avenue on the East, Baltimore Street on the South and the Western District boundary line on the West, shall be transported to the Southwestern District where they are being processed and the charges recorded on the Southwestern District Court docket.

**NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — All persons arrested in the Northeastern District are being transported to the Northern District where they are being processed and charges are being recorded on the Northern District Court docket.

**SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — All persons arrested in the area bounded by Madison Street on the North, Ellwood Avenue on the East, Orleans Street on the South and Fallsway on the West, are being transported to the Eastern District where they are being processed and the charges recorded on the Eastern District Court docket.

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with him and Mr. Joseph Lynch of the Federal Strike Force. I also called Mr. George Beall, the United States Attorney for the District of Maryland and informed him that I would appreciate his assistance in an endeavor I was going to discuss with Mr. Farrow and Mr. Lynch. I met with the foregoing gentlemen, the issue was discussed and at a later meeting with Mr. Farrow and Mr. Beall it was the general consensus that there was a federal violation.

During the initial and subsequent meetings held concerning this endeavor I reflected my sincere desire to Messrs Beall and Farrow to not only ferret out dishonest police officers, but also to investigate and arrest those corruptors who corrupt my police officers. A dishonest police officer is something extremely repulsive, however, a corruptor is something less. I am pleased to say that there was general agreement on this issue and the results of that agreement are self-evident.

Since 13 April, 1972, then, personnel of the Baltimore Police Department, Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Mr. George Beall have worked together in the highest degree of cooperation. The results of their very efficient investigative endeavor are reflected in the multiple indictments — and arrests of this a.m.

I would like for the citizens of Baltimore to know that we of this agency are pledged and dedicated to continue the professionalization of this department. We will ferret out those few among us who would violate their trust and oath of office.

I want to encourage each man and woman of the force not to be too distressed by the events of today. Please continue to perform your duties in your usual excellent manner. There are those among us, obviously, who are detracting from your fine efforts. However, we will continue to do whatever we can, lawfully, to separate them from the service.

I wish to reiterate, and our citizens need to know, the Baltimore Police Department is quite capable of conducting successful investigations of an internal or external nature involving police officers or any other persons. We will

continue to function in the most efficient manner possible.

I want to thank Mr. George Beall, the United States Attorney for the District of Maryland, Mr. Thomas Farrow, the Special Agent in Charge of the Baltimore Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and his Agents and those members of my department who worked so skillfully. Their attitudes and their willingness to work quietly and objectively have been outstanding and most rewarding. I am very appreciative of these fine professional endeavors and look forward to additional successful efforts. The investigation is continuing under the same plan of operation. There will be more indictments followed by arrests of police officers and those persons who would corrupt them.

I will announce another press conference at the appropriate time and date.

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## "Up With People" Returns

"Up With People," a musical variety show with a cast of 140 young people, is returning to Baltimore. The revue which is sponsored by Buddies Inc. is presented for the benefit of the Department's Boys' Clubs. Last year's program netted the Club over \$30,000 and the organizers, Buddies Incorporated, hope that this year's receipts will surpass that amount.

The show which accentuates the positive in today's world contains something for everyone. Contemporary music and dancing dominate the two hour program which is interrupted only by an occasional skit.

These modern day troubadours have toured the United States and many foreign countries. They have not only acquired new members from these overseas visits but also have incorporated many customs which give their routines an international flavor.

Performances are scheduled for Friday, May 4 at 8:30 p.m. and Saturday, May 5 at 8:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. Tickets, which cost \$3.00, may be obtained at any district or by contacting the Boys' Club, ext. 2099.

## Identification Aid

After a successful two month shake-down period a unique fingerprinting apparatus has begun operation on a limited basis within the Department. The system, parts of which are located in the Northwestern, Western and South-eastern Districts and the Identification Section of the Central Records Unit, is comprised of automatic photographic transmitters and receivers. The electronic equipment in the three districts is linked separately to comparable equipment in the Headquarters building by way of telephone cables.

Basically the system, when in operation, resembles the one which newspapers employ to produce wirephotos. The original cardboard copy of a subject's fingerprints is fed into the electronic transmitter which in turn relays the data by way of the telephone link-up to the receiver in the Identification Section. An exact reproduction is received, processed and checked by the technician on duty. The entire transmission and reproduction takes approximately ten to fifteen minutes to complete.

The technician then compares the photographic copy with the existing fingerprint file. If a match can be obtained there is an immediate verification of the subject's personal data: his name, address, age, etc. This information is relayed to the Hot Desk for an immediate record check. The results are then sent back to the processing district either via telephone or through the transmitter itself. The reproduction is then stored in the fingerprint file until the original district copy is delivered.

The entire process including transmission, verification and notification takes approximately twenty to twenty-five minutes depending upon the workload of the print technicians on duty. The apparatus is in operation 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and is tested daily to insure smooth operation.

The system which handled a total of 823 prints during the January trial period is expected to be expanded in the future to encompass the entire Department. In addition to reducing the time element involved in checking prints, the new system will, hopefully, reduce the possibility that a wanted subject will be released from custody before a verification of his record and present status can be obtained.

# Team Policing Begins

On Thursday, February 1, 1973 Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau announced the beginning of the Baltimore Police Department's innovative Team Policing Project. On that date three area groups composed of three teams each were put into the field in the Northeastern, Northwestern and Southwestern Districts.

The gold of the Team Police concept parallels that of other Departmental units, the prevention of crime. And here the innovation begins.

## Project Goals

The outline for Crime Control Teams — Phase I states the objectives of the project this way:

"The primary goal of the Crime Control Team Project is the reduction of crime within the team areas. The crime reduction mission can be facilitated by the participation of an informed and concerned community in the resolution of their problems. The goal of the teams is enhanced by stabilizing the target community. Stabilization of a neighborhood and the reduction of crime are mutually reinforcing objectives.

"By reducing crime, police personnel assist in the strengthening of community viability and confidence. This same community strength will assist police personnel in combating and reducing future criminal activity. The purpose of the Crime Control Team then, is to develop these mutually reinforcing objectives.

"The teams must initially prevent crime from occurring by, identifying problems and developing patrol techniques to resolve them. Concurrent with this effort the teams must rally community interest and awareness and direct this awareness into practical avenues of self-help.

"The teams must stabilize neighborhoods by reducing apathy, reducing fear of victimization and increasing police — community coordination and cooperation. Team policing is, very succinctly, a police effort to reduce crime by stabilizing a community and motivating the community to participate in the resolution of its crime problem."

## Organization

The Crime Control Team Project consists of nine Crime Control Teams. Each team includes three Patrolmen, Two Police Agents and one Sergeant.

Three project or target areas have been selected for team implementation. These areas correspond to the Department's three Patrol Areas (with the exception of target area #3 which includes a small portion of Patrol Area #2).

A Lieutenant has been assigned to each of the target areas and is responsible for the operations of three Crime Control Teams. The Lieutenant is directly accountable to the Deputy Chief of the Patrol Area in which his teams are assigned. The Deputy Chiefs are in turn accountable to the Chief of Patrol who has been designated the Project Director.

## Selection

Personnel selected for participation in the project are volunteers who have exhibited a genuine desire to render the greatest possible service to the community. Each has demonstrated expertise in such skills as investigation, patrol procedures, and/or a college degree in a relevant academic discipline, such as sociology, psychology or law enforcement.

The Team members selected have demonstrated the ability to function with limited line supervision. Their need of a supervisor will be limited to positive guidance and technical advice only. Team members will focus their activities on the community as an entire entity, rather than on a specific crime problem.

## Preparation

On the 29th and 30th of January 1973, all Crime Control Team personnel participated in a course of specialized training and orientation. Specific attention was given to the areas of Community Services, Community Relations, and the Community Approach to Crime problems.

Education will be a continuing process as the Team routinely submit reports on specific problems in their respective

areas and are able to solve them. It is anticipated that by constant communication among teams each will benefit from the experience of the others.

## Operational Areas

The target areas for the Team Policing Project are outlined below:

### AREA #1

#### SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT

##### Boundaries:

North - Baltimore Street

South - B. & O. Railroad, Washington Boulevard, Nanticoke Street

East - Poppleton Street, Parkin Street, Scott Street

West - Catherine Street

#### NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT

##### Boundaries:

North - Menlo Drive, Rogers Avenue, Belvedere Avenue

South - Woodland Avenue

East - Pimlico Road, Pimlico Race Course, Park Heights Avenue

West - Reisterstown Road, Western Maryland Railroad

#### NORTHERN DISTRICT

##### Boundaries:

North - Argonne Drive, 39th Street

South - The Alameda, Exeter Hall

East - Hillen Road, Harford Road, Loch Raven Boulevard

West - Greenmount Avenue

The new Crime Control Teams will perform in uniform for the majority of their activities. Team members will, at times, be assigned to "plainclothes" in cases where the wearing of the standard uniform would not be appropriate.

The Block Grant, which is funding the Crime Control Team Project, covers not only the salary costs of the members of the Department who are involved but for their equipment and training also. Forty-five portable transceivers, which have been issued to the Crime Control Teams, and the costs for the purchase and operation of eighteen police vehicles were also included in the grant allocation.

The Department is confident that, with citizen cooperation and support, the new policing teams will be a success.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — Detective Vernon Barclay, Operations Squad of Property Crimes Section of this Division, has become the father of his ninth child. This baby is a four month old foster child from the Welfare Department. The Barclay family now has a total of four foster children, which is very commendable. Good luck to the Barclay family.

**WESTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Sergeant Harry Gonzales and his wife on the birth of a son, Timothy, on January 12, weighing 6 lbs. 6 oz.

Members of this District wish to extend sincere sympathy to School Crossing Guard Ruby Hamilton on her recent loss.

**SOUTHERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Patrolman Daniel J. Calhoun and his wife, Marline, on the birth of a son, Daniel John, Jr., on January 27, weighing 9 lbs. 3 oz.

Congratulations to Patrolman Glenn R. Broussard and his wife, Virginia, on the birth of a son, Glenn Raymond, Jr., on January 19, weighing 6 lbs. 12 oz.

**TRAFFIC DIVISION** — Good luck and best wishes to Sergeant William Ernest, Patromen Otto Gruel, Edwin Sacha and Donald Higgins on their recent retirements.

We wish a speedy recovery to Clerk Patricia Quinn, a patient at St.

Joseph's Hospital.

We wish to extend our sincere sympathy to Lieutenant Elmer Carnes on his recent loss.

**NORTHERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Officer William J. Garmer and his wife, Alice, on the birth of their second son, Scott Stephen, who arrived on January 24, weighing 7 lbs. 15 oz.

**PROPERTY DIVISION** — We wish to extend many good wishes to Mrs. Jeanne Murdy, of the Printing Unit, who recently departed to await the birth of her child. You are missed by all your friends.

## *In Memoriam*

**SULLIVAN, AGNES V.**, mother of Sergeant William Sullivan, Central District, January 19.

**HINKEL, NELLIE V.**, mother of Officer Francis Howard, Central Records Division, January 20.

**CARNES, MARGARET G.**, mother of Lieutenant Elmer Carnes, Traffic Division, January 21.

**NICHOLS, RICHARD J.**, brother of Mrs. Margaret McGill, Auto Theft Unit, Criminal Investigation Division, January 24.

**BERGER, LILLIAN**, mother of Patrolman Erwin Berger, Northwestern District, January 24.

**MATHERS, WILLIAM A.**, father-in-law of Officer Henry W. Schmidt, Community Services, Youth Division, January 25.

**McGEENEY, RICHARD**, father of Patrolman Joseph McGeeney, Central District, January 25.

**SHIPLEY, WALTER R.**, uncle of Detective George Dennsteadt, Criminal Investigation Division, Pawnshop Unit, January 29.

**YANISH, ANNA**, grandmother of Officer Gerald Urie, Eastern District, January 30.

**MONTGOMERY, WILLIAM R.**, father of Sergeant George Montgomery, Tactical Section, January 30.

**BEHLER, GRACE**, mother-in-law of Officer James Starr, Western District, January 31.

**FRACTION, PEARL**, mother of School Crossing Guard Ernestine Wilson and Doris Carroll, January 31.

**McGLOTTEN, MRS. FRANCIS**, aunt of Sergeant Lewis E. Taylor, Criminal Investigation Division, January 31.

**WILLIAMS, LOTTIE**, mother of Officer Steve Williams, Eastern District, January 31.

## Final Roll Call

**MURPHY, FRANCIS R.**, Sergeant, Retired from the Southern District, January 19.

**KANIECKI, RICHARD J.**, Patrolman, Active Duty, Central District, January 30.

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



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## Class 72-9 Graduates

Twenty-five Probationary Patrolmen were welcomed into the Department at graduation ceremonies February 16 in the Police Headquarters' auditorium.

On hand to congratulate the graduates and to present them with their certificates were Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau and members of the Command Staff.

Following the graduation exercise seventeen officers of the Department and three civilians were honored for outstanding service to the community.

Mr. Quinn Tamm, Executive Director of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, delivered the graduation address. Mr. Tamm's remarks are presented here for the information of members of the Department:

"It is always a pleasure for me to

have an opportunity to talk with young men and women who have chosen a career in law enforcement.

This, especially, is a pleasing occasion for me because of my relationship and feeling toward the Baltimore City Police Department, the Commissioner and his very fine staff.

I know of no one in law enforcement more worthy of commendation than the dedicated men and women of the Baltimore City Police Department — both with regard to the progress they have made, and their interest in and dedication to responsible law enforcement.

In talking to any group entering into what I would hope would be a most rewarding and satisfying career, it is

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## In Service Training

On January 8, 1973, Phase V of the Baltimore Police Department's In-Service Training Program commenced at the Education and Training Center on the Mt. St. Agnes College Campus. As in the past this year's week long course offers three days of classroom lectures and one day of firearm's training. In addition, one day is spent at the Gunpowder Firearm's Range reviewing and practicing various procedures to be employed during emergency situations.

Classes this year will be comprised of 2 lieutenants, 9 sergeants and 61 patrolmen. This innovation allows classes to be broken down into 2 platoons each containing 9 squads. While this breakdown ensures a well organized reserve force in case of an emergency situation it also enables individual officers to function in squad concept during a practical exercise.

Classroom instruction is given on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday and individual officers are required to wear the uniform of the day to class. Monday is spent at the Baltimore County Range for firearm's instruction. Thursday is set aside for practical problems at the Gunpowder Range. On these two occasions old clothes are to be worn but the uniform of the day in addition to complete riot equipment is to be carried with the officer.

Utilizing the National Guard facilities at Gunpowder Range the Department is attempting during the Thursday training session to simulate emergency situations in which each officer will be called upon to make an immediate response. That response will be based upon the procedures and techniques outlined and reviewed during an earlier two hour briefing. The Emergency Vehicle Unit will also be on hand to aid Departmental personnel during these exercises.

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## Policeman Of The Year

Officer Edward W. Domzalski, a 29 year old Southeastern District Patrolman, was recently honored as the policeman of the Year by the Exchange Club of Highlandtown. The ceremony which took place at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Highland Avenue and Fleet Street, was attended by a host of dignitaries including Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, Mayor William Donald Schaefer, State's Attorney Milton B. Allen and Mr. Steve George, President of the Club.

Officer Domzalski was saluted for the conscientious performance of his police duties in the Fells Point area during the past year. In particular, he was paid tribute for his part in clearing-up two outstanding criminal cases.

Through swift police action he was credited with apprehending two hold-up suspects after a March bank robbery. In addition to the arrests, a total of

\$7,500, which was taken from the Provident Savings Bank located at Gough Street and Broadway, was recovered by the Officer in a nearby dumpster.

The second case for which Officer Domzalski was singled out was a commercial burglary at the Shepherd Electric Company, 1400 Aliceanna Street. Over \$3,000 in merchandise and currency was removed from the warehouse and showroom during the burglary. Through diligent police investigation Officer Domzalski apprehended three suspects and recovered part of the stolen property.

The honored Officer, a four year veteran, has received several Departmental commendations for outstanding police work in the past. The Exchange Club presented Officer Domzalski a plaque and a watch commemorating the occasion.

## Class 72-9

always proper, I feel, to comment on the fact that a new and very frightening dimension has been added to police service.

I refer to the completely unwarranted and unprovoked attacks which some elements in our society are making on Police Officers.

These are the attacks which are motivated solely by the fact that the victim is a Police Officer.

In most cases, the only thing the assailant knows — or cares to know — is that the object of his cowardly, dastardly ambush wears a police uniform or is somehow identified at the moment as being an officer.

Now, we've pretty well learned to deal with other assaults committed against the police because generally there is some forewarning, or the alert and careful officer properly protects himself and his fellow officers from such attacks.

But we have not yet devised and implemented techniques whereby the officer is safe from ambush.

It wasn't too many years ago that an officer's tour of duty was judged by the arrests he made, the people interviewed, property recovered, citizens helped and other measurable activities. Now a new and extremely important factor has been added, and that is — was the officer able to complete his tour of duty without his life being taken, or attempted to be taken, by some animal in human form who has a consuming hatred for police.

While you have been taught to exercise caution to avoid this happening to you, the solution really rests outside the law enforcement field.

The ambushes and other assaults on police will end when the courts see to it that those who attack the symbol of law and order are promptly and severely punished, and when the public at large demands that this be done.

Let me give you a few examples of what I am talking about, and what you will face as Law Enforcement Officers. I generally don't criticize the courts because courts vary from city to city and from State to State — and generalization is normally not a good thing. But, quoting from a recent column in "The Washington Post", let me just give you a few thoughts.

Columnist Bill Gold said, and I quote:

"We talk about eliminating the antecedents of crime and we experiment with other techniques for dealing with criminals.

"And, as we talk and experiment, we keep putting people into jail.

"A lot of them, especially the wrong ones it seems, keep getting out very quickly.

"Our statistics tell us that the average robber commits five crimes before he is caught.

"Even then he is not always prosecuted.

"Those who are prosecuted are not always found guilty.

"Those who are found guilty are not always sent to jail.

"Those who go to jail are unlikely to be helped by that experience.

"Many who are sentenced to terms of several years are let out of jail in a few months.

"Most emerge with their basic problems unsolved, and are likely to return to criminal activity.

"Of the 20-year-olds sent to jail and subsequently released, about seventy per cent are back in institutions in short order.

"Consider the case of the hold-up (on January the 29th) of a branch bank in Washington, D.C.

"One suspect was caught hiding under an automobile shortly after the hold-up.

"Three others were taken into custody several days later.

"Of the three captured later, two were found to be free on personal bond after being charged with previous bank hold-ups.

"The chap under the car had an even more interesting record.

"He had been charged in four previous bank robberies in Washington. "The latest of these cases resulted in his being sent to jail in August of 1971.

"By December of 1972, he was out again.

"In January of 1973 he was charged with an fifth bank hold-up.

"So there's no great mystery about the nature of our problem (as Law Enforcement Officers.)

"The odds are slim that the perpetrator of a crime will be caught, tried, found guilty, and actually sent jail.

"But the final frustration is that even

when we do lock one up, he doesn't stay locked up very long."

Some of you, undoubtedly, during the course of your career in Law Enforcement will be assigned to the very important subject of highway safety and traffic control.

This, too, can be a frustrating occupation on the part of a Law Enforcement Officer.

Let me give you a few examples of the tragic manner in which traffic violations are not enforced.

A 36-year-old California man piled up five convictions for moving traffic violations after his first accident in 1955.

When a warning letter was sent to him by the State Motor Vehicle Bureau in 1959, he answered indignantly saying he was a prominent citizen, active in community affairs and the father of four children whom he tried hard to protect.

In the next two years, this man accumulated seven more convictions for hazardous moving violations, and then he had an accident that killed the four children, his wife and the driver of the other car.

A 49-year-old Arizona man has spent four and a half years of his life serving jail sentences for traffic violations. He has paid five thousand four hundred twenty-three dollars in traffic fines.

He has been arrested thirty-three times for drunk driving and innumerable times for driving without a license.

He is still driving.

A young Alabama man drove for twelve years without a driver's license until he was killed last year.

On the way, he was arrested twenty-seven times — four times for drunk driving.

This is a problem that faces Law Enforcement today.

These are problems which you will face.

The fact that you are here indicates that you are willing to try — through your work as Law Enforcement Officers — to improve the world in which we live.

There are so many things that have been done — but there are still many things that can be done.

I am sure that you will be able to make a major contribution toward the improvement of the way of life for the citizens of Baltimore.

May I quote from Smith Hempstone about crime in general in our country:

"The statistics are dreadfully familiar to anyone who reads a newspaper.

"Between 1964 and 1972, armed robberies increased by two hundred thirty per cent, and about sixty-three per cent of these robberies were committed with guns.

"Fifty-one per cent of all murders in 1971 were committed with handguns.

"These murderous, easily concealable weapons were used to kill seventy-four per cent of the Police Officers slain in 1971.

"Who's to blame?

"The criminals, of course.

"And the soft-hearted judges and parole boards who let them roam the streets.

"And the greedy manufacturers and importers of handguns and handgun ammunition.

"Three things are needed.

- 1) More police.
- 2) Stiff, mandatory sentences without the possibility of parole for crimes involving violence and for the commission of a felony while armed with a gun or knife.
- 3) A flat ban on the manufacture, importation, sale and possession of handguns applicable to everyone except police officers and serving members of the armed forces, with federal compensation to the owners of this country's thirty million handguns."

I have painted a rather dreary picture for you to look forward to in your Law Enforcement career.

But let me just say that there is nothing more rewarding than an opportunity to serve your fellow man in a productive way.

You could not have picked a better vocation in order to contribute to a life that is better for all people.

In closing, I think there is one other point that I should touch on briefly — something that is so vital to Law Enforcement and the administration of justice — and this is integrity.

None of you members of the Graduating Class or, for that matter, none of you here today is unaware of the recent publicity given the Baltimore City Police Department regarding gambling bribes and the loss of narcotics evidence.

It would be unrealistic to assume that any discussion of the problems facing you as new Police Officers could ignore this subject.

While I, of course, have no desire or intention of discussing these cases as such — first, because it would be improper for me to do so, and second, because I do not know the facts — I do want to say something about police integrity.

All of us in Law Enforcement — from the top executive to the rawest recruit — lose when some of our fellow officers violate their oaths and bring shame and discredit upon themselves and their Department.

This affects not only the Department by which such officers are employed, but all Law Enforcement throughout the country.

You and I all know the well-deserved reputation which your commissioner has for honesty and integrity.

He is more concerned than any of you here today with what has happened.

The fine image of the Baltimore City Police Department is stained, but it is not ruined.

The people of this City must know that the integrity of your Police Department is not to be judged by the actions of a minute percentage of officers, and that the overwhelming majority of the members of this Department are honest, efficient and dedicated men who are trying to bring to the people of this City a police force which upholds the rights of all its citizens and makes the streets safe for everyone.

This does, however, point up one salient fact and that is — while a good reputation is built slowly on the accomplishments of a great number of honest men, it can be dirtied quickly by the dishonest actions of a few.

I urge you to keep the faith that caused you to seek to become a member of the Baltimore City Police Department and go about your business with pride in your organization.

As I am slowly bringing to an end some forty years devoted to Law Enforcement, I look back with great pride at what Law Enforcement has accomplished.

I envy you starting in such a career today.

I wish you well.

Thank you.

## In Service Training

This unique training session, established through the efforts of the Operation's Bureau in conjunction with the Education and Training Division, is the first of its kind in the State. Through such a practical training approach Departmental personnel will be better able to handle critical situations should they arise during their daily tour of duty.

## Safety City Reopens

On May 2, 1973 two miniature villages will again be bustling with activity as they open their gates to Baltimore's younger citizens. Safety City East, in the 4900 block of Eastern Avenue behind the Southeastern District Stationhouse, and Safety City West, located in Druid Hill Park, will commence their summer programs on this date.

The facilities were completed in May 1970 and each is realistically equipped with automatic signals, stop signs and pedestrian "walk - don't walk" devices. Streets, alleys and driveways crisscross the hamlet separating the tiny churches, schools and homes from each other.

Students of the Baltimore Public and Parochial elementary schools and members of other interested groups are eligible to participate in the program. Enrollment, however, is limited to youngsters between the ages of 5 and 9 years. At the conclusion of his tour each participant will receive a button proclaiming "I visited Safety City!"

Reservations are also being accepted for the vacation program which will begin on June 18, 1973. This two day course consists of two hours of instruction each day. This extended trip to Safety City offers each child suggestions on ways to practice pedestrian safety and to cope with the various traffic hazards that they may encounter while skating or bicycling in the city.

During each village tour the instructors review the safety rules which they have shared during one of their previous school visits. At the conclusion of the 1972-73 school year Traffic Safety Education Officers will have appeared at more than 190 schools and spoken to more than 257,000 students.

Reservations and additional information concerning activities at either Safety City location may be obtained by calling the Traffic Safety Education Unit, Traffic Division, extension 2339.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

## CENTRAL RECORDS DIVISION —

Congratulations to Cadet Marvin K. Carter and the former Brenda Rosenberg on their marriage, January 20, 1973.

Congratulations to Fingerprint Technician David E. Tant and wife, Dorothy, on the birth of a son, David E. Jr., on February 12, weighing 6 lbs. and 7 oz.

Congratulations to Cadet Gregory Campbell on his marriage to the former Linda Franklin on January 26, 1973.

Congratulations and best wishes to Sergeant Norman K. Jacobs who retired from the Department on January 31. He received a gold watch from the members of this Division. The gift was presented by Major M. W. Guertasio.

**PERSONNEL DIVISION —** Congratulations to Betty A. Chelstman, Charlene F. DePasquale and Deborah B. Volk on their recent promotion to Police Clerk I.

**WESTERN DISTRICT —** Members of this District wish a speedy recovery to Sergeant Earl Morris and Officer Calvin Burns.

**NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT —** Members of this District wish to extend sincere sympathy to Officer Ernest Gardner on his recent loss.

**LABORATORY DIVISION —** Congratulations to Crime Lab Technician Ernest Bouyoucas and his wife,



Chrisanthie, on the birth of a son, Gregory Peter, on January 29, weighing 6 lbs. and 4 1/4 oz.

**SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT —** Sincere sympathy to Officer Fred Bland on his recent loss.

Get well wishes to Lieutenant Robert Brown recovering from a recent injury.

Good luck to Agent Joseph Gelfert and Officers James Farley, Vernon Hibline and Alan Williams on their recent transfers.

Good luck and best wishes to School Crossing Guard Lucille Bucharewitz who retired from the Department after 20 years of service in the Department.

**TRAFFIC DIVISION —** Good luck and best wishes to Patrolman Harry Metz-bower who retired on February 8 and Patrolman Andrew Wyche who retired on February 18.

Speedy recovery wishes are sent to Sergeant Stephen Zeller, presently recuperating from recent surgery.

**PLANNING AND RESEARCH DIVISION —** Congratulations to Police Agent William Lester and the former Nancy Mariensen who were married on February 10.

Congratulations to Clerk June Voight and her husband, Tom, who celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on January 31.

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT —** Congratulations to Officer Charles E. Frosbink who celebrated his 25th anniversary with the Department on January 5.

Welcome to the Area One Crime

*In Memoriam*

Control Team under the direction of Lieutenant Francis J. Reidy. Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Sergeant Edmund Ford, Officer Donald Dyson and School Crossing Guard Joann Sapp.

**BARANOSKI, JOHN**, father of Patrolman Melvin Baranoski, Tactical Section, February 1.

**BURGOS, YOLANDO**, brother of Patrolman Victor Santiago, Southern District, February 1.

**RINE, SELMA**, mother-in-law of Patrolman Henry F. Dunibrowsky, Communications Division, February 4.

**MAYOR, HENRY T.**, uncle of Detective John P. Clark, Criminal Investigation Division, Property Crimes Section and Officer Charles D. Clark, Traffic Division, February 5.

**GARDNER, ANNA MARIE**, mother of Patrolman Ernest Gardner, North-eastern District, February 6.

**SANZONE, GRACE MAURO**, mother of Patrolman Bernard Sanzone, Youth Division, and grandmother of Patrolman Vincent Sanzone, Communications Division, February 6.

**SCHULTZ, BEUHLA**, mother of Patrolman Fred Bland, Southeastern District, February 11.

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# NEWSLETTER

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## Heroic Action Displayed

The earnest white hatted figure peeping around the corner of the front porch was pleading with someone inside the house to come out. There was no response. Cautiously the police officer ascended the stairs leaving his service revolver with a sergeant outside. As the front screen door cracked open the figure with captain's bars on his shoulders eased into the two story house.

The first report of trouble which had summoned radio cars to a house in the 900 block of Dukeland Street was sketchy. A twenty-five year old woman had barricaded herself in an upstairs bedroom and was holding her two young children at gunpoint. She threatened to take their lives and to shoot anyone attempting to rescue them.

As more patrol units arrived on the scene and sealed off the block to curious on-lookers and vehicular traffic Major Clarence Roy, Chief of Area I, and Captain Dennis Mello, Commander of the Western District, arrived to assume command of the situation. After a briefing on conditions the Western District Commander cautiously maneuvered himself into direct contact with the distraught woman.

As she peered through her bedroom window Captain Mello attempted to soothe her already badly frayed nerves and to persuade her to surrender her gun. The young woman's father also attempted to calm the girl. Both failed as she refused to surrender her gun or release her children.

Calls had already gone out to several area hospitals requesting immediate psychiatric assistance. However, the best that could be done was a promise that someone would be sent as soon as possible.

Realizing how quickly the situation could deteriorate Captain Mello entered the house. After talking for fifteen tense minutes he emerged with the woman. The two children followed shortly, safely escorted from the house by their grandfather.

By his quick and unselfish action, with his personal safety in jeopardy, Captain Mello had averted certain tragedy.

## *Narcotics Enforcement: A Progress Report*

As the epidemic of narcotic addiction spread throughout the country during the mid-60's local law enforcement officials were hard pressed to stem the rising tide of the disease in their cities. Their task was initially made difficult by the tactics of the drug backers and suppliers. Their problem was often compounded by society's acceptance of certain types of drug use and its lack of knowledge concerning the entire narcotic problem. Local police agencies quickly discovered that their first assessment of the situation and its remedies had fallen short. Narcotics education for all police personnel had to be started.

The emphasis which had previously stressed the detective's role in most narcotic investigations was now being shifted to the uniformed officers' shoulders. The entire narcotics investigation procedure was reevaluated and changed to meet the ever growing problem.

In 1966 Baltimore's law enforcement officials found themselves making their own reevaluation. Narcotic arrests had totaled 430 persons during that year. This sum was almost evenly split between the Patrol Division and the Criminal Investigation Division.

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## Central District Policeman of The Year

The Exchange Club of Baltimore recently selected a Central District Officer as its Policeman of the Year and saluted him at a noon luncheon on February 15. Officer Frederick Bindeman Jr., accompanied by his wife Antoinette, was personally congratulated during the ceremonies for his outstanding police work by Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, members of the Command Staff and Mr. Alfred J. O'Ferrall, Chairman of the Club.

Officer Bindeman, an eleven year veteran of the Department, was previously cited by the Sunpapers as its 1972 Policeman of the Year. He was commended by the Exchange Club for his part in clearing several armed assault and robberies as well as his exceptional utilization of preventive patrol procedures.

An example of the latter occurred on a March morning in 1972. While on routine patrol Officer Bindeman observed several subjects lurking around a construction site at 20th St. and Maryland Ave. Secreting himself in a nearby alley, the Officer saw the subjects pouring a liquid, later identified as kerosene, on construction equipment and the wooden fence encircling the site. Officer Bindeman quickly arrested the four suspects.

By his alert observation and subsequent action he prevented not only extensive damage to the site but also injury to a security guard who was inside the partially constructed building.

During the course of the year Officer

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## July 1952

Thirty-seven members of the Police Academy Class of July 1952 gathered last week at the Overlea Hall in Northeast Baltimore for a belated 20th year reunion. In addition to the class members three retired former instructors, Major Norman J. Schleigh, Lieutenant Harry Frantz and Sergeant John Wiegard, were invited guests.

After the keynote speech by Retired Major Schleigh a moment of silent prayer was observed for the following deceased members of the Class of 1952: Sergeant Joseph Wegworth, Detective William Wilder and Officers Melvin Brown, Warren Lewis, Francis Neugent and Ferdinand Stuckrath.

Sergeant Joseph W. Goddard of the Community Services Division contributed a poem which recounted the advancements of both the members of the class and of the entire Department since 1952.

According to Lieutenant Leon Fialkewicz, who was a prime organizer of the affair, the highlight of the evening was a surprise showing of a 16 millimeter film of the entire class marching in review in the War Memorial Plaza after receiving graduation certificates from then Police Commissioner Beverly Ober.

Present at the affair were: Northwestern District — Captain Theodore Weintraub, Officers Charles Harold, Robert Leutbecher and Leonard Wheatley. Communications Division — Lieutenant Francis Hutson, Officers John Brewster, Stephen Kowalewski and John Dougherty. Youth Section — Lieutenant Leon Fialkewicz, Sergeant Joseph Goddard, Officers Bernard Sanzone, Roy Spruill and William Williams. Eastern District — Sergeant Gus Drakos. Education and Training Division — Sergeant Frederick Neubauer. Central District — Sergeant Luther Robinson, Officer Paul High. Criminal Investigation Division — Detectives Henry Beaudet and John Clark. Traffic Division — Officers William Ghant, Charles Clark and Ellwood Bozman. Print Shop — Officer James Fischer. Personnel Division — Officer Francis Kavanaugh. Southeastern District — Officer Clarence Fetrow and James Lister. Western District — Officer John Johnson. South-

ern District — Officer Patrick McShane.

Retired members of the class present were: Sergeant Daniel Blair, Officers Daniel Doxzen, William Kelly, George Kriewald, Vivian Newcomb and Maurice Weisberg.

## Safety Repair Orders For Exhaust Noise

The Chief of the Operations Bureau of the Maryland State Police has disseminated information to all police departments issuing Safety Equipment Repair Orders. This information is printed below for the use of members of the Department:

"Some questions have arisen concerning the issuance of the Safety Equipment Repair Orders for motor vehicle exhaust noise, particularly when an Officer issues a Repair Order for noise and it is subsequently certified by an Authorized Inspection Station with little or no change.

"As set forth in both Article 66½ and the Automobile Inspection Handbook, every motor vehicle shall be equipped with a muffler in good working order and in constant operation to prevent excessive or unusual noise. Since noise levels are not established by law, the determination of excessive or unusual noise then becomes a matter of judgment on the part of the individual involved. Thus a variation of determination of such levels is created.

"To insure uniformity in the enforcement of exhaust noise by the issuance of a Repair Order, the guidelines utilized by the Automotive Safety Enforcement Division are recommended. Based on legal advice to the Division, a 'chambered exhaust' offered by motor vehicle manufacturers is a legal system although it may be too noisy. All Authorized Inspection Stations have been advised that exhaust systems that do not emit noise greater than that of the 'chambered system' are acceptable provided the system meets all other criteria for exhaust systems.

"It is further recommended that other exhaust noise enforcement be handled under the applicable provisions of Article 66½, Section 12-402 of the Annotated Code of Maryland."

## A Child Is Waiting

The Baltimore City Department of Social Services is presently seeking families to either adopt children or become foster parents. At this time there are a large number of Black youngsters waiting for adoption. Foster parents are being sought for Black and White children.

Mrs. Susan Lipka, Recruitment Coordinator for the Department of Social Services, advises that it is not difficult to adopt a child or become a foster parent. She says that several members of the Baltimore Police Department are either adoptive or foster parents.

The Black children waiting for adoption range in age from three years and up. Most of these youngsters are boys. Most are healthy; some have physical handicaps.

The Department of Social Services is constantly on the lookout for potential foster parents. Right now children of all races and ages, from 5 days to 18 years, are waiting for someone to care. Especially needed are families to care for brothers and sisters who must stay together and for teenagers.

Members of the Department who might be considering adoption have several things to think about. Contrary to some rumors, an adoptive parent need not own his home, nor need he be childless or have a lot of money or proceed through a lot of unnecessary red tape. The Department of Social Services places a lot of emphasis on the fact that you are capable of providing a good family environment and that you will be able to give the child a good home. As long as your income is sufficient to your needs money is not a major consideration.

Foster parents are neither required to own their own home nor have a lot of money. The basic requirement is that you have room in your home for the foster child, and that he will be properly cared for. Board, clothing allotments, medical and dental care are all provided for the foster child. In foster care, the child is with you because he cannot remain with his own family.

Additional information on adoption and providing foster care can be obtained from the Department of Social Services, 685-8231.

## A Progress Report

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The Department's drug enforcement program progressed deliberately during its first three years. Departmental personnel, however, responded with 4617 arrests in 1972. Of these drug offenders the Patrol Division had arrested 89.6% of the total and Criminal Investigation personnel accounted for 10.4%.

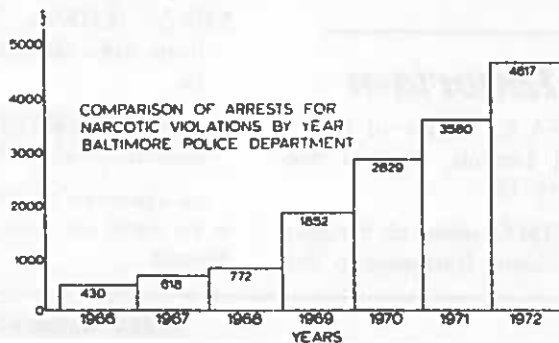
The quality as well as the quantity of the narcotic arrest has also increased. During the past year 13 major drug wholesalers dealing in large quantities of narcotics were apprehended. Arrests reduced the number of street peddlers, both large and small, by 1219. The abuser, the final cog in the narcotic machine, accounted for 3385 arrests.

Opium, cocaine and their derivatives accounted for 48.4% of the 1972 arrest total. Marijuana abusers totaling 29.5% followed those who were arrested for misusing the opiates. 13.2% of the total was attributed to other dangerous non-narcotic drugs, examples of which are barbiturates and benzedrine. Synthetic or manufactured narcotics such as demerol and methadone are respons-

ible for 8.9% of the arrests.

Throughout the course of their re-evaluation law enforcement personnel have realized that the drug abuse community has become highly sophisticated. Not only have the suppliers and dealers become more shrewd in their shipment and concealment of drugs but also the abuser has become more cunning in his use of narcotics. The expertise of Departmental personnel, however, has managed to keep pace with the changing drug culture. Since its inception in 1969, 2383 Baltimore City Police Officers have attended the Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Seminar, presented through the cooperation of the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs.

The success of the Department's drug enforcement program, even if it were only gauged by the number of narcotic arrests, is apparent. Drug arrests have increased steadily in seven years. However, the success of a law enforcement program is also measured by its prevention of crime. The Department's drug education program has not only benefited its own personnel but has also been instrumental in instructing many citizens of Baltimore.



## Fund Project Begun

The Department's Boys' Club has begun an unusual fund raising drive. In order to ensure that as many underprivileged Baltimore youngsters as possible can attend the Boys' Camp at Fort Ritchie, members of the Department are urged to save bottle caps and cans.

The Allegheny Pepsi Cola Bottling Company has agreed to exchange these caps and containers for money to support a child at summer camp. Each pound of bottle caps collected and exchanged by the Department is worth

\$1.00 and cans are redeemable at 6¢ a dozen.

The containers and caps which are acceptable for redemption include Pepsi, Suburban Club, Schweppes, Dr. Pepper and Frostie products.

Anyone who wishes to donate to the fund drive may contribute any caps and cans collected to each District Chief Clerk. Departmental personnel working at the Headquarters Building may deposit their collection at the Community Relations Division. The drive is effective now through June 30, 1973.

Further inquiries should be directed to the Boys' Club, extension 2099.

## Patrolman Honored

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Bindeman frequently displayed his talent for employing careful observation during his tours of duty. Relying on descriptions which he had received from communications and the knowledge he has acquired of his post he apprehended several armed hold-up suspects.

A particular exemplification of his ability was demonstrated after an August bank robbery. A branch of the Provident Savings Bank, located in the 1900 block of Charles St., was held up by three suspects. Instead of responding directly to the crime scene, Officer Bindeman stationed himself on a possible escape route from the bank. After spending several minutes scrutinizing passersby, three suspects fitting the radioed description passed the veteran Officer and entered a house in the 2200 block Calvert St. After requesting assistance Officer Bindeman entered the house and placed the three suspects under arrest. The money, totaling \$4300, and a robbery weapon were recovered at the scene.

Officer Bindeman, 34, has been the recipient of several Departmental commendations. During the ceremonies he was presented several mementos including a plaque and United States Savings Bond by Mr. O'Ferrall.

## Jail Coordinator

Baltimore Mayor William Donald Schaefer has announced the appointment of Deputy Commissioner Ralph G. Murdy as Jail Coordinator.

The Mayor said that his concern over the administration of the jail underlies his decision to name the coordinator. Mr. Murdy is head of the Mayor's Coordinating Council on Criminal Justice.

Mr. Murdy, by agreement with the Jail Board and Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, will be authorized to carry out Jail Board policy and to act upon the Mayor's instructions with particular reference to riot procedures, security equipment, training and related matters.

Acting Warden Parks will remain in that position and will continue to be responsible for the daily routine of running the jail. Mr. Parks will, however, be responsible thru the Jail Coordinator to the Mayor.



## NEWS IN BRIEF

**NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Officer John Woolen and his wife, Deborah, on the birth of a son, Nicholas Melvin, on February 7, weighing 9 lbs. 5 oz.

**PATROL DIVISION** — Welcome back to Officer Milton Arczynski, after surgery and hospitalization. May he enjoy good health from here on.

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — Congratulations to Detective and Mrs. Richard Bednarski on the birth of a daughter, Jennifer Laura, February 20, weighing 6 lbs. 7 oz.

**TRAFFIC DIVISION** — Welcome aboard to Officers Francis Sheeler, Ronald Hyde and Robert Franklin, recently transferred to this Division.

Good luck and best wishes to Officer George Salbeck on his recent retirement.

**CENTRAL DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Officer and Mrs. Gary Childs on the birth of a son, Brian Thomas, weighing 5 lbs. 10 oz.

**PLANNING AND RESEARCH DIVISION** — All the members of this Division wish Sergeant Emory Starry a speedy recovery. He was confined at Mercy Hospital, but glad to say he is now recuperating at home.

**SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — Any Officer who wishes photographs of the 20 Year Reunion of the Class of 1952 of the Baltimore Police Department

should contact Officer James Lister of the Southeastern District. He will be working the 4-12 shift.

**INTERNAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — Welcome aboard to Detectives John Kelly and Clyde McWilliams and Clerk Ann Ciurea.

We all wish Clerk I Barbara Raub a speedy recovery after surgery and now recuperating at home. We all miss you Barb!

Congratulations to Detective and Mrs. Michael Constable on the birth of a son, Mark Scott, weighing 7 lbs. 3 oz.

Welcome aboard to Major William L. Rawlings, Jr. and congratulations on your recent appointment.

Lots of luck to Major Lawrence W. Bowe on his return to private law practice.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION — YOUTH SECTION** — Congratulations to James Rye Hooper, son of Patrolman and Mrs. James C. Hooper on being selected to represent the Hereford High School as an American Field Student. He will be sent abroad from June to September on a study program.

### *In Memoriam*

**LENNON, ROSA L.**, mother of Patrolman Samuel Lennon, Tactical Section, February 15.

**WENZ, DOROTHY**, sister of Sergeant Timothy McShane, Northeastern Dis-

trict, February 17.

**FODY, E. PAUL**, husband of Clerk I Frances Fody, Vice Section, Criminal Investigation Division, February 18.

**MUTH, THOMAS R.**, husband of School Crossing Guard Catherine Muth, Northeastern District, February 20.

**TURNER, MARY**, sister of Patrolman Conrad Turner, Property Division, February 23.

**FAULKNER, RUTH**, wife of Retired Officer Walter S. Faulkner and mother of Patrolman Walter N. Faulkner, Northwestern District, February 25.

**COLLIGAN, CATHERINE**, mother of Patrolman Ronald Colligan, Northeastern District, February 26.

**HABERKORN, FRIEDA E.**, mother of Officer William W. Haberkorn, Southern District, February 27.

**CALHOUN, ALISTAIR ALLEN**, father of Patrolman Daniel Calhoun, Operations Unit, Southern District, March 2.

## Final Roll Call

**YUKAS, EDWIN**, Patrolman, retired from Auto Garage Repair, February 16.

**WOLKER, EDWARD J.**, Retired Northeastern District, March 3.

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



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# NEWSLETTER

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March 21, 1973

## Command Changes And Promotions

A number of appointments and changes of command personnel has been announced by Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau.

On March 19, 1973, Governor Marvin Mandel announced his selection of Lieutenant Colonel William A. Harris to be his special assistant for Community Relations.

Colonel Harris was appointed on July 1, 1966 to head the Department's Community Relations Division. He remained there until he was named to head the Traffic Division as Chief in July, 1971.

The fifty-four year old appointee re-



ceived a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology from Morgan State College in 1949. Since his graduation Colonel Harris has done graduate work at the University of Maryland. In addition, he has attended numerous law enforcement courses with an emphasis on police-community problems.

As a special representative of Gover-

nor Tawes, Colonel Harris in May, 1964 responded to the town of Cambridge and helped restore order to the civilly disturbed area.

Colonel Harris, who is on a leave of absence from the Department, will serve as the Governor's liaison officer dealing with various community problems on a statewide basis.

Replacing Colonel Harris as Chief of the Traffic Division will be Lieutenant Colonel Maurice M. Guerrasio.

Lieutenant Colonel Guerrasio, a 22 year veteran, has served in the Southwestern District, the Traffic and Inspectional Services Divisions. He was appointed Director of the Central Records Division in June, 1969.

Appointed Major were Captains Ronald J. Mullen and Bishop L. Robinson and Lieutenant William L. Rawlings, Jr.

Major Mullen, who was assigned to the Commissioner's office at the time of his appointment, now commands the Planning and Research Division. He has completed twelve years of service with the Department during which time he has been assigned to the Southwestern District, the Inspectional Services and Planning and Research Divisions.

Major Bishop L. Robinson, completing his 21st year with the Department, now commands the Central Records Division. His previous assignments included the Narcotics Division, the Northwestern District and the Education and Training Division. Major Robinson recently commanded the Eastern District.

William L. Rawlings whose appointment to Major became effective March 1, has assumed command of the Internal Investigation Division.

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## CICHA Drive Begins

CICHA, a once-a-year fund appeal within the business, government and professional communities of Maryland, has begun its annual fund raising drive. Pledge cards and brochures detailing the various medical programs, which CICHA supports, have been distributed to every district and division within the Department. Departmental personnel are urged to complete and return these forms to their Chief Clerks as soon as possible.

CICHA, an acronym representing Commerce and Industry Combined Health Appeal, aids 13 different health agencies in Maryland in their fight to treat and eliminate disease. The list of diseases which CICHA agencies treat, prevent and research includes: muscular dystrophy, kidney and heart disease, cancer, diabetes, cerebral palsy, multiple sclerosis and cystic fibrosis. CICHA funds are also available to the Medical Eye Bank, Planned Parenthood Association, Area Council on Alcoholism and the Mental Health Association.

The treatment, prevention and research programs require the use of more than 50 clinics, information and training centers, camps and workshops. These programs are essentially not available through other sources. Expenditures for these facilities total nearly three million dollars. Although donations are accepted throughout the year, most of CICHA's resources are gathered during this fund drive.

Departmental personnel are reminded that they may designate the agency by whom their gift is to be utilized. The donation can be either deducted bi-weekly from your paycheck or can be contributed entirely with the completed card.

## Drug Abuse Center Opens

Addict Referral and Counseling Center, Inc., an agency subcontracted by the Baltimore City Health Department, has assumed management of the Coordinating and Counseling Center of the Maryland State Drug Abuse Administration. The Center is located at 21 W. 25th Street and, at present, offers two services to Baltimore City residents.

The Center will supplement the established health, education and correctional services now provided by nineteen separate drug programs throughout the City. The agency employs professional counselors who are thoroughly familiar with the policies, procedures, regulations and programs offered at each of these facilities.

These advisers, then, are prepared to assist each drug abuser and/or his family develop and use a drug program tailored to meet his individual needs. In the event that an outside program is not available to the applicant the Center's personnel will counsel and conduct a program for him. The client, however, will be required to assume any expense incurred on his behalf.

The Center also offers a day care program for those who need support during their drug abstinence effort. Those who enter this program, known as the School of Life, participate either full or part time as determined by their commitments to school or work. Each participant is assured supervision and direction for 8 hours a day, six days a week. The School's agenda includes medical and educational evaluation, urine surveillance, job placement or referral for job training and counseling.

While voluntary enrollments in the School are accepted, it is anticipated that most participants will be referred through the Department of Probation and Parole.

Graduates from this program will enter into either a formal educational program or employment.

Anyone wishing additional information should telephone the Center at 366-1717 between the hours of 0930 and 2130. Written correspondence should be directed to:

Mrs. Lesly Abramowitz  
21 West 25th Street  
Baltimore, Md. 21218

## Command Changes And Promotions

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The first member of the Baltimore Police Boys' Club to be appointed to the Department, Major Rawlings is a twenty-one year veteran. In addition to his service in the Inspectional Services Division, which began in 1967, he served in the Northwestern District and the Criminal Investigation Division.

The new Captains are McNeal Brockington, Jr. and John G. Kollmann, Jr.

Prior to his promotion, Captain Brockington had attained more than 22 years of police experience. After graduating from the Police Academy in the spring of 1949, he was assigned to the Northeastern District. He was transferred to the Eastern District in 1959 and served there until he was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 1963. As a Sergeant he served in the Planning and Research, Central Records, Police-Community Relations and Inspectional Services Divisions until his promotion to Lieutenant in 1968. As a Lieutenant he had been one of the Central District's Shift Commanders.

Captain Brockington has assumed command of the Eastern District.

As Captain, John G. Kollmann, Jr. commands the Evidence Control Unit, a unit he has headed as Officer-in-Charge since his transfer from the Southeastern District. An eleven year veteran of the Department, Captain Kollmann was

appointed to the Rackets Division in 1961 and served there until being transferred to the Planning and Research Division in the summer of 1965. Captain Kollmann continued to serve in this Division as a newly promoted Sergeant. As a Lieutenant the Fiscal Affairs Division was his next assignment.

Captain James J. Cockerill, Jr., who coordinated with the various contractors during the construction of the Headquarters Building, has taken command of the Tactical Section.

Nine Sergeants have also been promoted during ceremonies on March 9, at the Headquarters auditorium. After briefly addressing the assembly Commissioner Pomerleau presented them with their certificates of promotion. The Commissioner and members of the Command Staff concluded the ceremonies by offering their congratulations and best wishes to the newly promoted officers and their families.

The nine new Lieutenants are: Carlyle A. Krauss, Central District; William A. Colburn, Jr., Communications Division; Calvin Lewis, Office of the Chief of Patrol; Charles J. DiPino, Southeastern District; Joseph R. Bolesta, Jr. presently attending the Northwestern Traffic Institute; Grover C. Sharp, III and Joseph W. Nixon, Internal Investigation Division; John Fuller, Northern District; Stephen Timchula, Traffic Division; Glenn A. Egbert, Tactical Section.



Shown above in the first row, from left to right, are Captain John Kollmann, Captain McNeal Brockington, Jr., Major Ronald Mullen and Major William Rawlings

## The "Talking Bicycle": A Safety Messenger

City Springs Elementary School provided the setting recently for the debut of a unique safety instruction aid. The Traffic Safety Education Section unveiled their new "talking bicycle" to the students of School 8.

The new bike is distinguished from other two wheeled vehicles by a tape recorder and loudspeaker which are used to communicate with its audience. At the press of a button, a voice assumes the role and character of the bicycle. Through this ingenious apparatus the young audience is instructed in the safe operation of the vehicle and the laws which govern its use.

The bicycle is also completely equipped with all required safety devices: reflectors, head lamps, brakes and bells. The youngsters are instructed as to the necessity of having and using this equipment to insure a safe ride.

The concept was first prompted by the increased use of bicycles by the City's younger population. Officers of the Department's Safety Education Unit had also been requested during several of their visits to the City's schools to discuss bicycle safety. The "talking bicycle" was then developed under the direction of Lieutenant Colonel William A. Harris, Chief of the Traffic Division.

The "talking bicycle" and its instructor will continue to visit the City's schools as part of the Department's continuing effort to educate the youngsters of Baltimore in traffic safety.

## Retreat Planned

"Loyola on the Potomac" will again offer its house and quiet grounds to members of the Department who wish to participate in the 40th annual Police Retreat. This year's three days of religious activities will be conducted May 21 through May 23.

Anyone who wishes additional information should contact Officer Frederick Kestler, extension 2052.

## Officer Whitehill Retires

On March 13, Officer John T. Whitehill announced his retirement from the Department. He had completed twenty-five years of police service and had served most recently in the office of Deputy Commissioner Frank J. Battaglia.

Officer Whitehill's many friends and associates celebrated the occasion with a luncheon in the Headquarters' Canteen. During the festivities he was presented an engraved plaque and a retirement check.



Officer Whitehill receives his retirement certificate from Commissioner Pomerleau and Deputy Commissioner Battaglia

Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau and members of his Staff greeted John, his wife, Dorleen, and his daughter, Susan. Together they extended their congratulations and best wishes for a happy retirement.

## A Cake Goes To Northern

The stationhouse on the corner rested peacefully on its foundation as the bustle of Saturday night's activity had finally subsided. Cars slid quietly past as families motored to a Sunday visit with relatives or to a leisurely drive in the country.

Sunday morning, March 11, however, proved an exception to this quiet scene at Keswick Road and 34th Street. Members of the Women's Auxiliary of the Roland Park Civic League appeared at the door of the Northern District Station.

Their appearance came as quite a

## Southern District Officer Honored

The Lions Club of Brooklyn recently presented a 24 year old Southern District officer with its first annual "Police-man of the Year" award. Officer Andre M. Street, a member of the Department since 1970, was the recipient of the honor.

The Officer, accompanied by his wife, Darnelle, was saluted at recognition ceremonies which took place at a dinner at the 4100 Club located in the Brooklyn area. The affair, presided over by Mr. Frank E. Schwartz, President of the Club, was attended by Captain Walter Jasper and Southern District personnel.

The Southern District Officer was saluted for his part in investigating and clearing numerous criminal cases. Assault and robberies, burglaries and narcotics violations frequently resulted in arrests as Officer Street employed various investigative techniques.

Throughout the past year Officer Street displayed his concern for the youth living in his patrol area, contributing time, energy and leadership and by establishing a Boy Scout troop in the Fairfield area of Brooklyn.

For his attention to duty and concern for his fellow citizens, Officer Street was presented an inscribed Lions Club plaque and a cash award to be used by the Officer's Boy Scout Troop.

surprise to the Northern District personnel on duty because no warning of a demonstration had been given. The ladies quickly placed the officers at ease by presenting them a large sheet cake. They stated that they realized that it was impossible to thank every Officer individually for his service. They explained, however, that their gift was in appreciation for the service rendered by the entire District during the past year.

After recovering from his initial shock, the Shift Commander escorted the ladies on a short tour of the District facility. The visitors also received an explanation of the problems facing police personnel and the Department's efforts to solve them.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**CENTRAL RECORDS DIVISION** — Congratulations to Clerk Helen Allen on her marriage to David Butler on March 2, 1973.

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — Vice Section — Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Captain John J. Cunningham, who recently underwent surgery at the North Arundel General Hospital

**SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — Good luck and best wishes for a long and happy retirement to Lieutenant John P. Donohue after 25 years of service and Sergeant Casmer Wisnewski after 33 years of service.

Congratulations to Patrolman Michael Warns and the former Miss Barbara Bradka who were married on March 3.

Speedy recovery wishes to Clerk Helen Wos, who is recuperating at home after recent surgery.

Welcome aboard to Lieutenant Charles DiPino, recently promoted and transferred to this District.

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT** — Good-bye and good luck to Patrolmen Frank Holtzman and Louis Orem on their recent retirements.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Patrolmen James Hallameyer and Calvin Moore and School Crossing Guard Hilda Frey.

**SOUTHERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Patrolman Richard Curley and the former Miss Patricia Ellison,

one of our Clerks, who were married on March 7.

Congratulations to Patrolman David Suter and his wife, Susan, on the birth of a son, Christopher Brian, on March 1 and weighing 9 lbs. 2 oz.

**TRAFFIC DIVISION** — Welcome aboard to Captain John G. Barnold.

Congratulations to Lieutenant Carlyle Krauss and Stephan Timchula on their recent promotions.

Patrolman Edward A. Panowitz celebrated 25 years of service with the Department on March 11, 1973.

Congratulations to Raymond E. Bozman, son of Patrolman Ellwood Bozman, Fleet Safety Unit, who received an appointment to the United States Naval Academy on March 5.

**NORTHERN DISTRICT** — Lieutenant Joseph Dalton retired on March 9 after 32 years of service to the Department. A retirement luncheon was held for him at the District and attended by most of the personnel. Best wishes, Lieutenant Dalton, for a long and happy retirement.

**CENTRAL DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Captain McNeal Brockington on his promotion and best wishes in your new assignment.

Best wishes to Captain James J. Cadden on his new assignment.

Welcome aboard to Captain Francis X. Hayes.

Best wishes to Patrolman Edward Fellowes on his new assignment.

Welcome back to School Crossing Guard Elmira Harris who was in the hospital for surgery.

## *In Memoriam*

**BUCHMAN, CATHERINE**, aunt of Barbara Raub, Internal Investigation Division and of Patrolman Gary Raub, Western District, March 5.

**WEINGUST, CRESTON L.**, father of Patrolman Norman Weingust, Chief of Patrol's Office, March 5.

**HENNEMAN, MARY V.**, mother of Patrolman George Henneman, Northwestern District, March 8.

**LIPPY, WILLIAM, SR.**, father of Patrolman William G. Lippy, Northeastern District, March 12.

**GLATZEL, MARGARET A.**, wife of Lineman Gordon C. Glatzel, Communications Division, March 14.

**JOHNSON, EDWARD F., SR.**, father-in-law of Lieutenant Ralph Cooper, Southwestern District, March 15.

**LAMBROS, PETER J.**, father of School Crossing Guard Agnes Hohn, Southeastern District, March 15.

## Final Roll Call

**HAWTHORNE, JOHN H.**, Patrolman, Retired from Western District, March 8.

**HIRSCH, WILLIAM J.**, Sergeant, Retired from the Eastern District, March 14.

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



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# NEWSLETTER

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## Penitentiary Disorder Suppressed Through Cooperative Effort

At 7:45 p.m. on March 29, 1973 the Communications Division received word from the Maryland Penitentiary that a disturbance had begun in the West Wing in Cell Blocks A and B. The preliminary information indicated that possibly 700 prisoners had taken 7 Correctional Officers hostage. The situation, it was reported, was serious.

Following a plan of action, conceived after the prison disturbance at Attica, New York, members of the Maryland Penitentiary Correctional Staff and the Baltimore Police Department immediately responded.

Communications notified Duty Officer Captain Robert L. Larkin who proceeded to the scene immediately. Manpower was being assembled from the Tactical Section, K-9 Unit, Northeastern, Eastern and Southeastern Districts, as Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, Deputy Commissioner Frank J. Battaglia and members of the Command Staff gathered within the confines of the institution.

The Secretary of the Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, Robert J. Lally, Mr. Robert Jordan, the Commissioner of Corrections, and Penitentiary Officials were on the scene within minutes after notification.

As the Correctional Officers reported and equipped themselves, members of the Police Department, responding in "Squad Concept," assembled ready to support the rescue of hostages and the effort to wrest control of A and B Cell Blocks from dissident prisoners.

The master response plan, which had been worked out by Corrections and Police Officials, called for a fast, non-nonsense response. There was, accord-

ing to pre-arranged instructions, to be no negotiation with the prisoners while hostages were in custody. There was to be no undue delay in dealing with the situation.

There was no delay.

Because of the extensive preparation for just such a situation Command Personnel, already decided as to what had to be done, monitored the progress of the ever increasing level of men and equipment available for service. As soon as the manpower requirement was fulfilled the action began.

Shortly after 9:00 o'clock Correctional Officers, specially trained and equipped, entered a holding area adjacent to the affected area. At this time they again demanded the release of the 7 hostages. The reply from within was negative.

Squads of Police Officers entered the main building of the Penitentiary, passed through the double gate security system, and proceeded to the holding area.

Command officers on the scene summoned the K-9 units which had assembled and the recovery action was launched.

At about 9:25 p.m. K-9 units secured a storage room which had previously been occupied by rebellious inmates. A make-shift barricade, hastily constructed from wooden chairs and debris, was breached. Cell Block A was the location of the first mass confrontation. Again K-9 units, Correctional Officers and many of the Police Officers moved forward on the "flats" and up the "tiers."

So swift was the response that the dissidents were placed in a state of confusion. Hostages were located, isolated,

## Boys' Club Show Progresses

Ticket sales for the upcoming performance of the "Up With People" show are progressing with but three weeks remaining until the scheduled performances.

The troupe of young showmen from around the world successfully combines the upbeat sound of contemporary music, a bit of the old soft-shoe and a number of skits into a two hour, family-style, vaudeville show. The 150 young performers, through the lively rendition of both their own original melodies and a traditional song or two, accentuate the positive in today's world. Their musical kaleidoscope continually changes tunes and offers a song for every age and every musical taste.

The beneficiaries of the revue are not only those who accompany the "Up With People" cast on their musical journey, but also the nearly 2,000 Baltimore youngsters who presently participate in the Department's various Boys' Clubs activities. For many youngsters the Boys' Clubs are often the only source of recreation in many areas of the City. Buddies Inc. helps defray the cost of the Clubs' activities during the year. Buddies also underwrites the cost of operating Camp Ritchie, the Department's much used summer camp. Last summer, thanks in part to the show's successful maiden engagement, more than 400 boys enjoyed a week's stay in the Catoclin mountains.

Ticket sales for this year's performances have raised approximately \$36,000. Although "Up With People" is a non-profit organization, it must deduct its operating expenses from the ticket proceeds. This sum, therefore, does

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## Disorder Quelled

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and recovered. Correctional Officers fired special plastic projectiles in order to disperse resistant pockets of inmates.

By 9:35 p.m. all of the prisoners were behind locked doors. Police Officers were withdrawn and Correctional Officers liberated the remainder of hostages who had been taken by surprise not two hours earlier. At 9:45 p.m. the situation was declared "under control" by Corrections Commissioner Jordan.

One member of the Department, K-9 Officer John Harpel, was treated for a bruised knee, sustained during the initial contact with resistant inmates. Three of the Correctional Officers were hospitalized due to injuries sustained at the outbreak of the disturbance. More than a dozen prisoners were treated for various injuries sustained at the hands of fellow prisoners.

Commissioner Jordan, during a press conference which followed the disturbance, noted that because of the demonstrated professionalism of the Police and Correctional Officers, because of the training they'd undergone, there had been no loss of life, and injury had been kept to a minimum.

Inmates of the institution, who had in the past been able to control areas and entire buildings for extended periods, found that they hadn't been given time to organize; their resistance was fragmented. Damage, while significant, was kept to a minimum.

A good summation was included in the Baltimore Evening Sun the next day. After reviewing what had taken place the editorial concluded thusly . . . "by moving swiftly against the rioters the authorities precluded the situation as becoming one of those theatrical confrontations of the sort we experienced last year, with congressmen and other public officials running back and forth relaying demands and counter demands. These prison dramas, though they had the effect to bring to the public's attention bad conditions behind the wall, also encouraged other prisoners in other prisons to emulate. We can think of nothing right now more likely to discourage future riots as effectively as the performance yesterday by the police and prison guards."

## Northern District Officers Recognized

Two Northern District Officers were honored during separate ceremonies as "Policemen of the Year" on March 20, 1973. Officers Ralph Baker and Daniel Steen were the recipients of these awards for outstanding police work.



Officer Baker displays his award to Deputy Commissioner Battaglia and his Commanding Officer, Captain Larkin.

Officer Baker, a thirteen year veteran, received this plaudit from the Kiwanis Club of Hampden-Midtown. They saluted him during a dinner held at the Marylander Apartments.

As the Kiwanis "Policeman of the Year" Officer Baker was cited for the outstanding investigative techniques he employed during the past year. Mr. Hugh Monaghan, chairman of the festivities, detailed Officer Baker's successes in clearing numerous assault and robberies,

burglaries and stolen autos during this time.

Accompanying him to the dinner were his wife, Barbara, his Commanding Officer, Captain Robert Larkin and Deputy Commissioner Frank Battaglia.

Later that same evening the Knights of Columbus Hall, 201 Homeland Avenue, echoed with praise as Officer Daniel Steen was honored as their "Policeman of the Year." The seven year veteran was saluted by the Notre Dame Council, Knights of Columbus.

He was paid tribute for his aggressive patrol which resulted in his arresting twenty suspects for stolen autos. He also cleared several assault and robberies and burglaries while patrolling his post.

Officer Steen, accompanied by his wife, Margaret, was presented a plaque by the grateful Council. He was further congratulated by Captain Larkin who accompanied him to the ceremonies.



Officer Steen is presented his plaque by Mr. Cosaraquis, Grand Knight, as Captain Larkin looks on.

## Headquarters Tour Announced

Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau has extended an invitation to all Departmental Officers, civilian employees and their families and friends to visit the new Headquarters Building and to tour its facilities.

In order that everyone may accompany his or her family and friends, the building will be open for conducted tours from 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on the following Sundays: April 8, 1973, May 6, 1973, June 3, 1973.

Tours will include the entrance lobby,

the communications and computer centers, the crime laboratory and auditorium, the eighth floor administrative offices and conference rooms, and the helipad on the roof.

To assist in properly planning for the number of visitors, it is requested that personnel notify their Commanding Officers of the approximate number of guests. Those attending on April 8th should make the notification immediately. One week's notice is requested on the dates in May and June.

## Red Cross Chapter Salutes Volunteer

The Baltimore Regional Red Cross Chapter recently saluted Officer Elwood H. Davenport by presenting him the Oscar Wilson Hoar Award. Ceremonies honoring the Community Relations Officer followed a dinner held at the Eudowood Gardens on March 28, 1973. Attending the festivities with the honored Officer were Sergeant Ronald Billingsley, his supervisor, Mr. Robert Gregson, Director of Safety Programs for the Baltimore Chapter, as well as a number of his fellow Red Cross volunteers.



Mr. Gregson congratulates Officer Davenport as Sergeant Billingsley looks on.

The Award, which is presented annually, recognizes its recipient as the Red Cross "Volunteer of the Year." It distinguishes those volunteers who contribute their time, energy and knowledge to benefit their fellowman through participation in the various Red Cross Safety Programs.

Officer Davenport, as a volunteer, qualifies for and actively participates in three distinct Red Cross programs: First Aid, Water Safety and Small Craft Safety.

Throughout the past year Officer Davenport has spoken to numerous civic groups. As a part of his lecture program he demonstrated to his audiences the various safety techniques which everyone should employ while enjoying any summer water sport. As the Volunteer of 1972 he also conducted eight Small Craft Safety Courses. He assisted in organizing and teaching the Chapter's first indoor outboard motorboating course.

Officer Davenport has also served as a faculty member of the Small Craft Staff both at the Fort Ritchie Clinic and at Camp Letts' Small Craft School.

As one of the three honored guests at the 32nd Annual Safety Programs Recognition Dinner, Officer Davenport was presented an engraved trophy. This marks the fourth time that he has been so honored as the Red Cross "Volunteer of the Year."

## Criminal Investigation Examination Set

The Criminal Investigation Division has announced that it will conduct a written examination for entrance into its ranks on April 26, 1973. In order to ensure that all interested personnel are allowed to participate, the test will be administered at two different times. The exams will also be administered at a location to be determined by the number of applications received.

The examination is limited to sworn personnel below the rank of Sergeant who have served at least one year in the Patrol Division. Applicants, following Departmental procedure, should submit a written request to participate in the written examination and the oral interview. This request must be presented to their respective Commanding Officer by April 12, 1973.

The Personnel Division will compile and forward a master list of applicants to the Administrative Unit of the Criminal Investigation Division. The size of this list of participants will then determine the location at which the test will be given.

Examination material for the written test will be drawn from the following areas of police science: Constitutional issues, Criminal Law, narcotic information drawn from the Drug Abuse Manual and the laws which govern evidence. In view of the fact that every member of the Department should be thoroughly familiar with these subjects in the performance of his daily police duties, no refresher course will be offered to the participants.

Applicants who successfully pass the written examination will then be eligible to participate in an oral interview. A background investigation of each applicant will also be conducted during the selection process.

Further details concerning the test will be announced at Roll Call. Police Commissioner's Memorandum 73-15 will also be posted on the various bulletin boards throughout the Department.

## Who Is It ?

Mrs. Gladys Neal, a resident of the 1700 block N. Bond Street, telephonically contacted the office of Deputy Commissioner Glauser and stated that she would like to report a good deed done by several police officers.

Mrs. Neal stated the following:

"About 3:45 p.m., this date, she developed car trouble on the Hanover Street bridge. Two uniformed police officers in a Departmental vehicle came to her assistance and pushed the vehicle out of the traffic lane.

Mrs. Neal stated that the two officers were very nice and handled the situation very well.

She requested that these officers receive some recognition for what she described as 'this wonderful deed.'

Mrs. Neal concluded by stating that she failed to obtain either the officers' names or badge numbers."

## Boys' Club Show Progresses

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not yet represent a profit for the Boys' Club.

In addition to the regularly scheduled performances, the cast will present a short preview to Departmental personnel on April 30th. It will be held in the Headquarters Auditorium. The exact time of the performance will be announced in the near future.

Public performances are scheduled for Friday, May 4 at 8:30 p.m. and Saturday, May 5 at 8:30 at the Civic Center. Tickets, which cost \$3.00, may be obtained at any district or by contacting the Boys' Club on extension 2099.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**SOUTHERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Patrolman Joseph Unger and his wife, Joyce, on the birth of a son, Joseph Edward, March 17, weighing 7 lbs 7 oz.

**NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. Ernest Gardner on the birth of their second grandchild, Victoria Caroline Ries, March 16, weighing 7 lbs. 9 oz.

**TACTICAL SECTION** — Congratulations to Patrolman Michael Roselle and his wife, Isabelle, on the birth of their daughter, Janet Marie, March 13, weighing 7 lbs. 13 oz.

**PLANNING AND RESEARCH DIVISION** — Congratulations and welcome aboard to Major Ronald J. Mullen.

Congratulations to Clerk Nina Van-Cleave on her marriage to William Hernlein on March 25.

Congratulations to Officer James Stefan who has completed his 26th year with the Department on April 3rd.

**SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — Get well wishes to Sergeant Ralph Eicher who is recuperating at Sinai Hospital following surgery.

Congratulations to Officer Gregory Hojnowski and wife, Tina, on the birth of a daughter, Christina Maria, on March 11, weighing 7 lbs. 12 oz.

On March 18, 1973, Lieutenant Glenn A. Egbert, detailed to this District, took 2nd place in the Regional

Olympic Weightlifting Championship, Light Heavyweight Division.

**TRAFFIC DIVISION** — Congratulations to Lieutenant Colonel Maurice M. Guerrasio on his recent promotion and welcome aboard as the Chief of the Traffic Division.

Congratulations to Captain George Klander on his recent birthday.

A speedy recovery to Lieutenant Robert Jenkins who is a patient at South Baltimore General Hospital, Room N432.

Congratulations to Sergeant and Mrs. John Brown on the birth of their daughter, Kathleen Jenifer, March 23, weighing 10 lbs. 8 oz.

Our deepest sympathy to Officer Ronald D. Hammond on his recent loss.

**PROPERTY DIVISION** — Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Patrolman Claude Stith who is recuperating at home after a stay in the hospital.

Lieutenant John Brennan, with a handsome suntan, just returned from a Florida vacation and a tour to Disney World.

Bon voyage to Sergeant William B. Clayton who has flown to Spain. We wish him a most enjoyable trip.

Congratulations to Mary L. Wenzel who received the "Tip of the Hat" award for her suggestion to post a closed sign at the Car Wash Auto Rack.

Congratulations to Jeanne Murdy and her husband, Ralph, Jr., on the birth of their daughter, Koran, on March 29, weighing 7 lbs. 9 oz.

## In Memoriam

**JASPER, DOROTHY**, wife of Captain Walter T. Jasper, Southern District, March 20.

**BRAXTON, MICHAEL J.**, son of Patrolman William H. Braxton, Jr., Community Relations Section, March 21.

**FREDERICK, BARBARA**, mother of Patrolman Francis Frederick, Tactical Section, March 25.

**BROWN, GENEVIEVE**, grandmother of Police Agent Gerald Busnuk, Southwestern District, March 25.

**RITTER, CLARENCE M.**, father of Lieutenant Wallace Ritter, Eastern District, March 28.

**EDELMANN, HELEN**, grandmother of Detective Raymond Pfeiffer, Criminal Investigation Division, Property Crimes Section, and mother-in-law of Patrolman Charles Haughey, Headquarters Security, March 31.

**MARSHALEK, ELIZABETH**, mother of Patrolman Andrew J. Marshalek, Southern District, April 2.

## Final Roll Call

**HURLEY, ROBERT MAYNARD**, Patrolman, Active Duty, Northeastern District, March 28.

**HAJEK, JOSEPH C.**, Sergeant, Retired from Northern District, March 31.

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



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# NEWSLETTER

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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

April 18, 1973

## Police Officer Murdered

Shortly before three o'clock on Friday afternoon, April 6, 1973, Officers John Cullings and Jerome Chambers of the Northern District heard gunfire. They exited their cruiser and ran to the 2500 block of Quantico Avenue where Northwestern District Officer Norman F. Buchman had been felled by six shots from his own service revolver.



They immediately summonsed an ambulance to the scene and then placed a 23 year old suspect under arrest. There was nothing doctors at Sinai Hospital could do. Officer Buchman was dead on arrival.

Officers Cullings and Chambers related that they were patrolling west in the 2300 block West Cold Spring Lane when they observed a marked police car with its blue light flashing in pursuit of a white and black, Mark IV Lincoln, going south on Greenspring Avenue. The marked unit, according to the officers, was attempting to pull the pursued vehicle to the curb.

The Northern District officers fell in behind in time to observe both vehicles

turn west onto Loyola Southway. After losing sight of the cars Officers Cullings and Chambers began a search of the area. About a minute later, while at the intersection of Pall Mall Road and Quantico Avenue, they heard the fatal shots.

From interviews and information received relating to the incident it is known that Officer Buchman succeeded in getting the chased automobile stopped. It is apparent that he was taken by surprise and the brief but violent struggle which followed resulted in Officer Buchman being knocked to the ground. At this time his service revolver was taken from his holster and he was shot six times. The hospital doctors pronounced him dead at 3:00 p.m.

The suspect was processed at the Northwestern District and was taken to Sinai Hospital after complaining of internal pains. Doctors at the hospital performed surgery in order to determine the extent of any injuries. The result of that operation, it was reported, was negative. No internal injuries were apparent.

The Baltimore Grand Jury, on April 9, 1973, indicted the suspect, Michael Sean Garland of the 4900 block Queensbury Avenue. He is, at present, in the custody of Baltimore City Jail officials at Baltimore City Hospitals. A trial date has not been set.

Expressions of condolence to the fallen Officer's family began immediately. The funeral services, in the 3600 block of Falls Road, were impressive.

The funeral was attended by more than 400 members of the Department. Representatives of law enforcement agencies outside of Baltimore City numbered more than 200. Additionally a number of Baltimore City Fire De-

## Comment

Northwestern District Officer Norman F. Buchman left his house Friday morning in uniform, ready for another day. Assigned to the Operations Unit he was working in the vicinity of the Pimlico Race Track in an effort to prevent larcenies and burglaries. It was supposed to be just a normal day. It wasn't.

Officer Buchman was struck down while performing his duty. As a police officer he had encountered numerous dangerous situations. Like each of us he recognized his responsibilities, knew what action was appropriate, and conducted himself in a professional manner. His life ended too soon because Norman Buchman still had a lot to give. We know of his personal sensitivity. We know how he felt about his fellow man, about those who were truly in need of the services provided by a professional police officer.

The Buchman family can remember the little things he talked about and cared about. We all bring stories home with us, and share our experiences with those we love. He shared too.

The untimely passing of this young officer serves to remind each of us of our own mortality. This profession is demanding and we all must give of ourselves. Officer Buchman gave, in full measure, to each of us that which is expected from a professional. We must ask ourselves whether this sacrifice is, after all, worthwhile.

The answer is not readily expressed in a few paragraphs. The thought, however, is simple. Police officers serve the needs of the community, they are sworn to do that. The community needs and, yes, the community wants the services of its police officers. We are here because we want to be and we know that the average citizen needs us.

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# *Norman F. Buchman*



September 6, 1948



April 6, 1973





## Comment

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Brave acts by police officers sometimes make newspaper headlines. Most often they don't. Kindness, compassion, a desire to share with your fellow man the good things of this earth are not the kinds of things which normally make news. Those little acts of caring which occur every day are seldom noted. Lives saved, grief avoided, losses which are not sustained because we are here are the positive products of our performance. When the citizen is in pain he looks to us for comfort and we comfort him. When he needs assistance we are the first to render it.

We're in the business of serving, giving and caring. This is what the community expects of us and this is what we demand of ourselves.

Let us then reflect on the reasons Norman Buchman became a police officer. He felt the same way we feel. He cared, had a true sense of responsibility to his fellow man, and he functioned for the benefit of all members of the community. His reward was not substantial. His legacy is.

Was it all worthwhile? Norman Buchman knew it was. We know it too.

## Procedural Change Outlined

The Deputy Commissioner of the Operations Bureau, Frank J. Battaglia, has issued a memorandum to all sworn Departmental personnel outlining the procedure to be employed when dealing with persons refusing to pay a taxicab fare.

The memorandum was issued as a result of several recent court decisions which have resulted in the dismissal of persons charged with "Refusal to Pay Taxicab Fares." These dismissals were the result of an interpretation by the Court that the language of Section 555 and Subsection 555A, Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, does not include Baltimore City.

Members of the Department should, therefore, charge persons who refuse to pay taxicab fares under Article 27, Section 143, of the Annotated Code of Maryland. Such procedure should be followed until Section 555 and Subsection 555A of the Code are amended or

## Thirty-four Graduate

Thirty-four newly appointed officers performed the final exercise of their sixteen week training period with graduation ceremonies conducted in the Headquarters' auditorium on Friday, April 6.

Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, and members of the Command Staff as well as the families and friends of the graduates attended the ceremonies. Agent James J. Dunn, Jr. of the Federal Bureau of Investigation delivered the commencement address to the assembly and, together with Commissioner Pomerleau, presented the officers their certificates of graduation.

Commendation ceremonies followed the graduation during which six officers and nine civilians were honored for outstanding services which each had rendered to the community.

Following the formal exercise a reception was held for the graduates. Refreshments were served the families and friends of the officers as Commissioner Pomerleau and members of the Command Staff offered them their greetings and congratulations at the outset of their police career.

until such time as appropriate legislation is enacted.

Section 143 of the Code is quoted for the information of members of the Department:

Obtaining services with intent to cheat or defraud.

*"Every person who, with intent to cheat and defraud another, shall obtain services from such other on a promise of payment of wages therefor, and shall fail to pay for said services when payment is due and demanded shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not more than fifty dollars (\$50.00)."*

In cases where the intent to defraud is questionable, the name and address of the passenger will be obtained by the officer. This information shall then be presented to the operator of the cab so that he may petition the Court for a warrant.

## Officer Slain

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partment engines were placed at several points along the funeral procession route. A lone bell tolled as the procession proceeded toward Woodlawn Cemetery.

The motorcade stretched for more than two miles as residents of Northwest Baltimore looked on sharing in the sense of loss and grief over the needless killing of a police officer.

The final services were held at the grave site in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Members of the Baltimore Police Department, as a memorial to Officer Buchman, operated both their Departmental and civilian vehicles with headlights on during daylight hours. Many civilians also joined in this practice.

Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, members of the Command Staff, and every sworn and civilian member of the Department join in expressing our sincere sympathy to the Buchman family.

## "Up With People" A Preview

The Columbia Broadcasting System will air a special, hour-long presentation of "Up With People" on April 19. WMAR-TV, channel 2, the local C.B.S. affiliate, will carry the Thursday evening special at 10 o'clock.

This abbreviated version of the two-hour variety show previews the scheduled two-night Civic Center appearance of the "Up With People" cast. The musical tour which these modern day troubadours conduct circles the globe. During the performance the 140 member cast shares a number of melodies which they have absorbed from their many visits to foreign countries. Their up-beat medley of tunes offers a melody for every age and musical taste.

Buddies Incorporated, which sponsored last year's successful show, is again promoting their appearance in Baltimore. The proceeds from the two public performances will benefit the many activities of the Department's Boys' Club.

The Civic Center will echo with their songs and skits on Friday and Saturday, May 4th and 5th, at 8:30 p.m. Tickets which cost \$3.00 are still available for these performances. They may be purchased at any district or division.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**CENTRAL RECORDS DIVISION** — On March 29, Deputy Commissioner Thomas J. Keyes presented the former Director, Maurice M. Guerrasio, with a Remington #30-06 742 Woodmaster rifle from all the personnel of this Division upon his promotion to Lieutenant Colonel. Congratulations and best wishes on your new assignment as Chief of the Traffic Division.

Central Records also greeted their new Director, Major Bishop L. Robinson. Deputy Commissioner Keyes presented him a box of "EXCEDRIN" from the personnel of this Division. We hope you never need them, but just in case. . . Welcome to Central Records!

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT** — We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Patrolman James Hallameyer and his family on their recent loss.

Welcome back to Officer Hallameyer who has returned to duty after being on medical leave.

Welcome back to Lieutenant Leslie Stickles and his family, who recently returned from a trip to Florida's Disney World.

**NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — Members of this District wish a happy retirement to School Crossing Guard Helen I. Placek who, after 10 years of service, retired on March 1.

**TRAFFIC DIVISION** — Congratulations to Officer and Mrs. Charles Gal-

agher on the birth of their daughter, Michelle Lynn, on March 27, weighing 8 lbs. 5 oz.

Congratulations to Officer Martin Petterson and his wife, Linda Susan, on the birth of their daughter, Melissa Ann, on March 29, weighing 6 lbs. 2 oz.

A speedy recovery to Mrs. Jane Wolfe, wife of Officer Ralph Wolfe, T.I.S., who is recuperating from recent surgery.

Our sympathy to retired Officer Jacob Meyers on his recent loss.

**SOUTHERN DISTRICT** — Members of this District extend deepest sympathy to Captain Walter T. Jasper and Patrolman Andrew J. Marshalek on their recent losses.

## *In Memoriam*

**LEVIN, ANN**, mother of Policewoman Linda Weinstein, Community Relations Division, March 31.

**McGAHAGAN, MARY**, mother of Patrolman John F. McGahagan, Property Division, Construction and Repair Unit; mother-in-law of Patrolman Raymond A. Mackessey, Chief of Patrol's Office and grandmother of Patrolman Raymond A. Mackessey, 3rd, Southwestern District and Michael J. Mackessey, District Court Commissioner, April 2.

**MANLEY, WILLIAM**, father of Patrolman Robert Manley, Southeastern District, April 6.

**BITTNER, BERNICE**, mother-in-law of Patrolman Harry Rhule, Southeastern District, April 6.

**EDWARDS, FLORENCE**, grandmother of Patrolman William G. Edwards, Communications Radio Repair Section, April 6.

**PFEIFFER, JOHN J.**, father of Detective Raymond Pfeiffer, Criminal Investigation Division, Property Crimes Section Area 1, April 7.

**McKEONE, EDWIN**, brother-in-law of Patrolman Ben Roeder, Traffic Division, April 8.

**LACY, WILLIAM, SR.**, step-grandfather of Patrolman Louis Danna, Western District, April 8.

**CHRIEST, MARIE**, mother of Patrolman George Chriest, Southern District, April 10.

## Final Roll Call

**CONNER, WILLIAM A.**, Patrolman, retired from Central District, April 2.

**BUCHMAN, NORMAN F.**, Patrolman, Northwestern District, shot and killed in the line of duty, April 6.

**MEYERS, AUGUSTA M.**, Meter Maid, retired and wife of retired Patrolman Jacob Meyers, Traffic Division, April 9.

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## "Up With People" Presented For Departmental Personnel



The "Up With People" cast present their concert in the Headquarters auditorium

For the most part ceremonies held in the Headquarters auditorium are formally conducted, a practice that befits the Department as a semi-military organization. However, this air of formality was suspended on Monday, April 30th as forty young people, all members of the "Up With People" cast, descended on the Headquarters Building.

The troupe of young singers performed three, one-hour concerts for members of the Department. These shows previewed the young adults' regular two-hour musical program which will appear at the Civic Center this coming Friday and Saturday evenings.

After their presentations the cast was given a luncheon in the Headquarters canteen by Buddies Incorporated. Buddies, the show's sponsor, is presenting the program for the benefit of the Department's Boys' Clubs.

Following the luncheon the forty entertainers were joined at the Headquarters Building by the remainder of their fellow performers. The cast of 140 young adults was officially greeted and welcomed to Baltimore. They were then guided through the new facility and received an explanation of Departmental

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## Grievance Procedure Reviewed

In a teletype message to all Departmental personnel Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau briefly reviewed the method of communicating grievances within the Department.

At present, there exist within the Department several avenues for this specific purpose. These include: the District Advisory Board, the Personnel Service Board, the use of the chain of command, a personal interview with the Police Commissioner, suggestion boxes, a confidential post office box and any employee organization.

The Personnel Service Board was established through General Order 66-10. This Board is a formally structured body. Its function is to evaluate and consider suggestions and problems submitted by members of the Department which, in turn, affect the entire Department. This Board, established in 1966, is subdivided into committees whose elected members review the issues submitted to them. They report their findings at monthly meetings. Minutes of each monthly session are reproduced and distributed throughout the Department.

The District Advisory Board was first employed by the Eastern District in 1966 to discuss suggestions and minor problems which could be resolved at the District level. As a result of a careful study the Advisory Board concept was formalized by General Order 67-8 and was expanded to include the entire Department. This Board consists of district or divisional personnel who are elected yearly. Regulated by this General Order the Board must meet at least quarterly. The chairman must also

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## Musical Performance Held

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procedure by members of the Planning and Research Division.

These modern day minstrels have not only pooled their musical talents but also share a number of cultural differences with each other and their audiences. Not only do they represent every state in the Union but also many foreign countries as well.



During their two week stay in the City they will be the house guests of Baltimore area families. They will also attend classes at the Poly-Western complex as most of the young people are between the ages of 16 and 25 and must continue their schooling as they crisscross the country.

Members of the cast will also present their concert at several Baltimore public



schools during their visit. These school excursions not only allow the cast to meet as many people as possible but they also enable them to recruit future singers and dancers.



Tickets are still available for the two public performances which will be held on Friday, May 4th and Saturday, May 5th. Both performances will begin at 8:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. Tickets cost \$3.00 and may be purchased at any district or division.



## Narcotic Enforcement Effort Praised

The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Govans Post #2570, recently saluted Officers Michael J. Murphy and James C. Dugent during ceremonies conducted at the Northeastern District. They were honored for their efforts in combating the narcotic problem in Baltimore's Northeastern community.

Officer Michael Murphy, recently transferred to the Criminal Investigation Division, is a five year veteran of the Department. The twenty-six year old officer has dealt mainly with narcotic problems during his five year police career.

Officer James Dugent has also been a member of the Department for five years. He has been involved in the narcotic enforcement effort in northeast Baltimore for the past three years.



Officers Murphy and Dugent display their awards with Paul C. DeRemigis, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Both officers were praised for contributing countless hours of their time to the narcotic enforcement effort in the Northeastern community. They were cited not only for the many police investigations which they initiated but also for the many hours of drug abuse instruction which they gave to the citizens of the area, both young and old.

They were each presented the Veterans of Foreign Wars National Citation as well as a Certificate of Appreciation from the local Govans Post.

## Fire Department Commends Officer

Officer William J. Hough, a thirty-four year old Southeastern District veteran, was recently saluted by the Baltimore City Fire Department. He was cited for his successful investigation and clearance of multiple false fire alarm cases in the City's Fells Point area.



Fire Board President Howard R. Owens and Fire Commissioner Calhoun Bond present Officer Hough his Certificate of Appreciation

During a three month period beginning in late December fire fighting equipment had been responding to this highly populated area with ever increasing frequency, jeopardizing life and property on these useless runs. Officer Hough received information concerning the false alarms, began an investigation

and apprehended a suspect who had been setting off the alarm box at Lombard and Chester Streets.

During ceremonies conducted at the Fire Department Headquarters, located at 401 E. Lexington Street, Fire Board President Howard R. Owens praised Officer Hough for his efforts in stopping this dangerous prank. Mr. Owens then presented the officer with a Certificate of Appreciation.

## Sunday Tour: A Reminder

The second in a series of Sunday tours of the new Headquarters Building will be conducted on May 6, 1973 between 11:00 a. m. and 2:30 p. m.

All sworn and civilian members of the Department are cordially invited to accompany their families and friends on the guided tours.

The tours will be conducted by members of the Planning and Research and Community Relations Divisions. They will include on their stops within the Building the Police Museum located in the lobby, the communications and computer centers, the crime laboratory and auditorium, the eighth floor administrative offices and conference rooms and the helipad on the roof.

Refreshments will be served immediately following the tours in the canteen.

## Procedure Reviewed

be ready to communicate a report of the Board's activity to higher authority if so requested.

In his teletype message Commissioner Pomerleau stressed in particular that section of General Order 68-12 which emphasizes his intention to personally consider any Departmental problem and grievance which is brought to his attention. That portion of the message is quoted here for the information of all Departmental members:

*"The purpose of this order is to gather in one place, the various avenues which are available to employees for the resolution of grievances and the consideration of suggestions. Nothing in this order will prevent any employee*

*from submitting a written report, through channels, to the Police Commissioner for his consideration of any personnel matter. Further, any employee who desires a personal interview with the Police Commissioner, may arrange an appointment directly with the Administrative Assistant to the Police Commissioner.*

The Administrative Assistant to the Police Commissioner may be reached on extension 2020.

General Order 68-12 remains in full force and effect. The other channels for submitting suggestions and complaints outlined in the Order including the chain of command, employee organizations and suggestion boxes are still open and may be employed at any time by all Departmental personnel.

## Volunteers Needed

Now that the "Up With People" troupe has arrived in Baltimore, the stage at the Civic Center has been set and many of the tickets have been sold, the Boys' Club finds itself confronted by one final hurdle. Volunteers are needed for the two public performances scheduled for the Civic Center Friday, May 4th and Saturday, May 5th.

The two Civic Center appearances are being sponsored by Buddies Incorporated for the benefit of the Department's Boys' Clubs. Buddies underwrites the yearly operating expenses of the Clubs which provide recreation and adult supervision to many underprivileged Baltimore youngsters. Buddies also provides the operating expenses for the Boys' Camp located in the Catoctin Mountains.

Any off-duty officers and school crossing guards may volunteer to assist the Youth Division in handling the expected turnout. Departmental personnel who plan to contribute a few hours of their time should contact the Boys' Club by Friday afternoon, May 4th on extension 2099.

Mr. Edward J. Vinnicombe, Jr., of Buddies Inc., has announced that the number of tickets sold to date for the two public performances exceeds 14,000 tickets. Therefore, the number of volunteers that are needed for this year's performance is greater than was used last year.

The reporting time for the scheduled two hour performance will be 7:30 p.m. each evening at the Hopkins entrance to the Civic Center. Summer blouses should be worn by those who attend.

Further inquiries concerning attire and reporting time and place should be directed to the Boys' Club, ext. 2099.

## Post Script

To the School Guards of Baltimore:

I wish to thank all of you for your kindness during my illness. I am deeply moved by the overwhelming thoughtfulness and kind acts. May God bless you all.

Sincerely,  
/s/ G. Royal  
School Crossing Guard



## NEWS IN BRIEF

**PERSONNEL DIVISION** — Applicant Investigation Section — Get well wishes to Mrs. Gloria Popp who is convalescing at her home after recent surgery.

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — Property Crimes Section — Congratulations to Lillian DeWeese who celebrated her 20th Anniversary with the Department on April 16.

**SOUTHERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Patrolman Valentine Markowski, Jr. and his wife, Dorothy, on the birth of their daughter, Jennifer Anne, on April 5, weighing 6 lbs. 15 oz. Detective and Mrs. Valentine Markowski, Sr. are the proud grandparents.

**CHIEF OF PATROL'S OFFICE** — Good luck to Officer "Tom" Gummer recently transferred to the Western District. We miss you.

Welcome aboard to Officer Norbert Fialkowski formerly of the Southeastern District.

**TRAFFIC DIVISION** — Members of this Division extend deepest sympathy to Officer Richard Prkna on his recent loss.

Congratulations to Officer Carter Spencer and his wife, Bea, on the birth of their son, Steven Michael, on April 15, weighing 7 lbs. 12 oz.

Congratulations to Officer Richard Freeman and his wife, Cindy, on the birth of their son, Matthew, on April 14, weighing 8 lbs.

Welcome back to Lieutenant Robert Jenkins after his "ordeal" at South Baltimore General Hospital.

Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. Edward A. Panowitz, Sr., who celebrated their 30th Wedding Anniversary on May 1st. A dinner party was given in their honor at the Blue Bell Restaurant by their sons, Edward Jr., David and daughter-in-law, Lelia. On May 6th, Ed and his wife will leave for a 22 day trip to Europe.

Members of this Division extend deepest sympathy to Retired Officer Samuel Lhamon on the loss of his father.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION** — Youth Section — Congratulations to Patrolman Robert Ross and his wife, Virginia, who vacationed to Parris Island, S. C., to see their son, Andrew, graduate from Basic Training in the U. S. Marines.

Also, congratulations to Officer Robert Ross who celebrated his 21st anniversary with the Department on April 18.

**COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION** — A speedy recovery is wished for retired officer Carl Miller who is a patient at Church Home Hospital. He is in Room #332 and would like to have some visitors.

**PLANNING AND RESEARCH DIVISION** — Many thanks to all the members of this Division who conducted the recent tour for the "Up With People" cast. The performers were not only impressed by the Building itself but by the hospitality, extended them by everyone.

## In Memoriam

**EDWARDS, FLORENCE**, mother of retired officer Henry A. Edwards, formerly of Central Records Division, grandmother of Cadet Wayne J. Edwards, Planning & Research Division and Patrolman William G. Edwards, Communications Division, and aunt of Patrolman Raymond Shipley, Central Records Division, April 6.

**NAPFEL, CATHERINE**, sister of Patrolman Conrad Turner, Property Division, April 11.

**KACHNOWICH, ANNA**, mother of Retired Detective Henry Kachnowich, Criminal Investigation Division, April 13.

**STEPHENS, CLARA**, mother of Sergeant Allen Stephens, K-9 Unit, Tactical Section, and mother-in-law of Patrolman Charles Pfannensteil, Northeastern District, April 20.

**WOODS, ELLEN E.**, mother of Lieutenant Donald E. Woods, Inspectional Services Division, April 20.

**ZUKOWSKI, STANISLAUS**, father of Officer Henry Zukowski, Inspectional Services Division, April 21.

## Final Roll Call

**NICKLAS, VERNON D.**, retired officer from the Eastern District. April 13.

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



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## *Mother's Day Mass Celebrated*



Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau and Mayor William Donald Schaefer and members of the Command Staff attend the Mother's Day Mass at the Basilica of the Assumption.

A number of Departmental personnel celebrated Mother's Day, May 13th, by attending the annual Mother's Day Mass at the Basilica of the Assumption, Cathedral and Mulberry Streets.

The format for observing this forty-seven year Departmental tradition was changed slightly this year. The dress of those members attending the service was optional. Military formations which usually preceded the observance were eliminated and the officers who attended the Mass were seated with their families and friends who had accompanied them.

Attending the Mass were Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, Mayor William Donald Schaefer, Deputy Commissioners C. Jared Glauser, Frank J.

Battaglia and Ralph G. Murdy, members of the Command Staff and personnel from every District and Division within the Department.

His Eminence, Lawrence Cardinal Shehan, celebrated the Mass. The sermon which he delivered to the Mother's Day congregation is printed here for all those who were unable to attend the Mass.

"I take this opportunity to again commend you for your fine service to the citizens of this City over the past year. Today, I believe, we should also give special thanks and recognition to your mothers, families, wives and children.

"In choosing the profession of law

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## Heroic Effort Saves Fire Victims

The midnight shift was barely two hours old as two Western District officers routinely patrolled their post. As they cruised along North Avenue they spotted a small group of people crowding in front of a row home. They exited their vehicle to investigate the trouble and immediately noticed thick smoke swirling from a window. After summoning assistance the two men rushed inside the burning house and carried a middle-aged woman to safety.

The fire which had now had sufficient time to engulf the entire house threatened to spread to homes on either side of the burning row house. The officers entered the adjoining houses which were beginning to smoke leading a mother and her three young children to the safety of the sidewalk.

Assistance had now begun to arrive. Two other Western District officers joined the rescue operations. Together the four men quickly completed the evacuation of the remaining connected houses. Three elderly ladies who had slept through the entire commotion unaware of the danger to themselves were rescued as a result of the officers' immediate action.

Officers Kenneth W. Patrick and Jimmy D. Halcomb together with Sergeant Harry A. Gonzales and Officer John E. Burns averted certain tragedy through their rescue efforts. These four Western District officers were credited with saving twelve persons from injury,

Officers Patrick and Burns received the only injuries during the fire. They suffered smoke inhalation during their rescue effort and were treated by an ambulance crew at the fire scene.

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## Boys' Clubs Fund Raising Event A Success

The hand-clapping and foot-tapping on behalf of the Department's Boys' Club have ended for this year. The "Up With People" cast has pulled up its Baltimore stakes and moved on to perform their concert of contemporary music in another city.

They left behind, however, delightful memories for the more than 14,000 persons who attended the two Civic Center performances on May 4th and 5th.

During their two week stay the cast also performed before thousands of Baltimore school children. Sponsored by nineteen Baltimore area businesses these concerts enabled the cast to meet as many people as possible. The entire troupe also participated in Baltimore's Preakness Festival Week as they took part in a concert conducted at Memorial Stadium on Friday evening.

The final accounting of the receipts from ticket sales and donations has netted Buddies Incorporated more than \$47,000. This sum, after operating expenses are deducted, will underwrite the recreational activities of the Boys' Clubs for the next year. It will

also support the Department's Boys' Camp in the Catoclin Mountains.

The top ticket salesmen for this year's shows were members of the Central District who sold \$6,739 worth of tickets. They were closely pressed by the Traffic Division which raised \$6,300 for the event. The Eastern District gathered \$5,836 for their efforts. The Southeastern District received \$4,455 during their drive followed by the Southwestern District which collected \$4,240.

The remaining districts and divisions in final ticket sale order are as follows: Southern District, Community Services Division, Northern District, Northeastern District, Tactical Section, Northwestern District, Western District, Criminal Investigation Division, Administrative Bureau and Services Bureau.

Buddies Inc., sponsor of the Civic Center performances, wishes to thank those who sold tickets to the show and those who volunteered their time to patrol the Civic Center during the concerts. Buddies also wishes to thank those clerks who collected the ticket receipts from the Departmental salesmen. It was through their efforts that this year's show was such a financial success.

## The Streets Of Baltimore

Last Thursday, Karl Malden, a veteran television and movie actor, paid a visit to the Department. Deputy Commissioner Frank J. Battaglia welcomed Mr. Malden and escorted him on a brief tour of the Headquarters Building.

Mr. Malden, who portrayed General Omar Bradley in the movie "Patton" now plays a veteran police lieutenant in the television series entitled "The Streets of San Francisco."

Because of his television role Mr. Malden has come to understand some of the problems facing police officers today. During his brief stay he expressed a keen interest in all phases of law enforcement work especially the modern techniques employed by large departments throughout the country.

Lieutenant Regis R. Raffensberger, Officer-In-Charge of the Helicopter Unit, gave the actor a glimpse of one of these modern tools. Lieutenant Raffensberger summarized the helicopters usefulness as a tool in the Department's fight against crime.

Mr. Malden expressed his gratitude for the courtesy extended him during his brief stay. He said that through shows such as his he hopes the public can better understand police and their role in modern society.

### STATISTICAL REPORT

#### Index Crime in Baltimore City during the first 4 months of 1973

15.6% Decrease for the first 4 months of 1973

8.3% Decrease in Violent Crime

17.7% Decrease in Property Crime

#### SUMMARIZATION OF INDEX CRIMES

Type of Crime	1973	1972	Amount of Increase or Decrease	Percent of Increase or Decrease
MURDER	85	102	— 17	—16.7
FORCIBLE RAPE	131	159	— 28	—17.6
ROBBERY	2447	2980	— 533	—17.9
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	2030	1876	+ 154	+ 8.2
BURGLARY	4490	5904	—1414	—23.9
LARCENY	7719	8976	—1257	—14.0
AUTO THEFT	2215	2649	— 434	—16.4
GRAND TOTAL	19117	22646	—3529	—15.6



Aerial Observer John P. Rorke and Flight Officer Scott S. Miskimon welcome Karl Malden to the Headquarters Helipad.

## Plainclothes Officers Saluted

On May 2, 1973 the Knights of Columbus of Lansdowne paid tribute to two Southwestern District plainclothes officers. Ceremonies honoring Officers John E. Barrick and Donald M. Dyson, Sr., followed the Madonna Council's monthly meeting at the Town and Country Hall located on Hammonds Ferry Road.

Both officers were commended for their outstanding investigative work during the past year. In particular, they were saluted for clearing a series of armed assault and robberies in the Southwestern section of the City.

Both Officer Barrick, a ten year veteran of the Department, and Officer Dyson, a Department member for twelve years, have served in the Southwestern District since their graduation from the Police Academy.



Officers Barrick and Dyson display the awards presented them by the Knights of Columbus.

The two honored officers have been working together as an investigative team for the past five years. During this span they have been commended on numerous occasions for their police investigations.

During the festivities Officers Barrick and Dyson, who were accompanied by their wives, Lorraine and Ann, were presented an engraved plaque. A reception followed the ceremonies during which Captain Joseph G. DiCarlo, Commanding Officer of the Southwestern District, and Lieutenant Leslie J. Stickles congratulated them for their work.

## Mother's Day Observed

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enforcement, you have stepped out of the private sector into, perhaps, the most demanding area of public service. You have assumed risks and responsibilities that are unique and awesome. You are charged with resolving social problems not of your making, and you are held to the highest level of public accountability for this difficult task. As individuals and as a team, you have undertaken a most serious public responsibility.

"The community fabric of this City is ultimately held together at the family level. When families break down, the community's problems increase enormously. In order to develop and grow, families must have a sense of security, a freedom from fear within their homes and communities, and a positive identification with their neighborhood and community. Large corporations and commercial enterprises have the resources to protect their property with sophisticated systems and private security guards. But the family relies totally on you. The family looks to you to assure that a grandmother may wait for a bus in safety, that a father may go to work without anxiety for his children who are playing in a public park, or that a poor woman on welfare may cash her public stipend without fear of having it snatched from her. The families of this City look to you for relief and protection, and by choosing your profession, you have pledged yourselves to undertake this demanding public service. The citizens of this City are grateful for your efforts.

"The truly forgotten element of the law enforcement team is the family which stands behind each officer. We should all be aware of the many sacrifices made by the mothers, wives, children and families of each of you. Whether Police Commissioner, captain, or patrolman, each of your families make continuous sacrifices in order that you may protect other families and serve the public well being. Your families often live with the anxiety that you may be seriously injured in your work. If a police officer is injured, the wives and families of each of you grieve and

worry. Your families accept the difficult hours you often work. Without the support of your wives and families, you could not provide the protection and service for the families comprising the total community.

"On Mother's Day, your mothers, wives and families should feel proud of your fine service, but at the same time, the community and each of us here should be grateful to them for their daily sacrifices and support of your efforts. On this Mother's Day we are particularly mindful of the mother, wife and children of one of your ranks who within the past few months has met death in the discharge of his duty.

"Keep in mind that because of your devotion to public service, your wives and families are integrally involved in law enforcement. If any officer fails in his accountability to the public, the families of all officers suffer. When any one officer is commended for excellence, the families of all officers are justifiably proud.

"We look to the Police Department and the City Government to continue to bring all possible resources to bear on the crime problems within our City. The elimination of crime demands a tremendous focus of energies and a spirit of cooperation among governmental bodies. The community looks to Commissioner Pomerleau and the Mayor and City Council for continued leadership, and to each of you for your continued devoted service.

"On behalf of the community, I again want to express special appreciation to your wives and families for their many sacrifices. We hope that the coming year is a specially productive and effective year, and we, of course, pray for your safety and well being. Thank you all for your fine service and God bless you."

## Fire Victims Rescued

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The fire, which raged for an hour and a half completely gutted the dwelling at 1388 North Ave. The adjoining houses suffered extensive smoke and water damage.

Captain Dennis P. Mello, Commanding Officer of the Western District, praised his men for their heroic action. He noted that he has come to expect such unselfish and courageous action from these officers as they carry out their daily duties.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**INTERNAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — Welcome aboard to Sergeants Hugh Mills and Robert Wolfe, Police Agent Robert Haukdal and Detective James Edmonds who were recently assigned to this Division.

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Patrolmen Donald Dyson and John Barrick. On May 2, both officers were presented with a Law Enforcement Award Plaque as Policemen of the Year. The Award was given by the Knights of Columbus, Madonna Council.

A speedy recovery is wished for the following personnel of this District: Patrolmen Charles Cluster and Milton Freund and to School Crossing Guards Joann Sapp, Dorothy Hofmann and Irma Hargis.

**SOUTHERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Patrolman Floyd R. Lilly, Sr., who participated, for the third consecutive year, in the "March of Dimes Walk-a-Thon" on Sunday, April 29.

**NORTHERN DISTRICT** — For the second year we were one of the sponsors for Miss Marie Jackson of West 34th Street who participated in the "March of Dimes Walk-a-Thon" on Sunday, April 29. She completed her walk and the \$50.00 we had for her was well-earned.

We also had three young ladies, daughters of Patrolmen Wingrove, Sauter and Bowen, of the 4 — 12 shift, who participated in the same event.

The officers gave the monies they collected to these young ladies which was divided among them.

We say, "HATS OFF" to these fine ladies for their contribution to so worthy a cause.

**PUBLIC INFORMATION DIVISION** — Congratulations to Mrs. Carolyn B. Mazer whose daughter, Hillary, will graduate from the University of Maryland on May 19th. She will receive her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Drama.

**NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Officer David Schwab and his wife, Claudia, on the birth of their daughter, Jennifer Marie, weighing 7 lbs. 9 oz.

**WESTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Officer Donald Nieberlein and his wife, Christina, on the birth of a son, Michael Paul, on April 28th weighing 8 lbs. 13 oz.

We wish a speedy recovery to Officers Alva Boley, William Bullock and William Mustin.

**TRAFFIC DIVISION** — Congratulations to Officer Charles McKenzie on his recent election to Senior Vice Commander of the Baltimore Police Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, #1529.

Best wishes to Officer Raymond DeBaugh for a long and healthy retirement.

**PATROL DIVISION** — Congratulations to Patrolman Robert Brown of Crime Control Team #2 and his wife, Madeline, on the birth of a daughter, Melissa Ann, on April 24th, weighing 6 lbs. 9 oz.

## In Memoriam

**HEATH, CHARLES M., SR.**, father of Officer Charles Heath, Southwestern District, April 23.

**PRUCHNIEWSKA, MARY**, grandmother of Officer Richard Prkna, Traffic Division, April 23.

**LHAMON, RUSSELL**, father of retired officer Samuel Lhamon, formerly of the Traffic Division, April 24.

**BLANK, CARL J.**, father of Patrolman Phillip Blank, Northwestern District, April 26.

**WEAVER, SADIE CONCETTA**, wife of retired Patrolman Franklin J. Weaver, formerly of Southwestern District, April 30.

**NIEMIERA, THEADUS**, grandfather of Patrolman Thomas Niemiera, Central District, May 2.

**HENNESSEY, ANDREW J.**, brother of Lieutenant Thomas F. Hennessey, Property Division, May 2.

## Final Roll Call

**ROYSTON, JOSEPH**, Patrolman, retired from Communications, May 6.

**JEFFERSON, CHARLES C.**, Patrolman, retired from the Traffic Division, May 6.

**LANNON, FRANCIS X.**, Patrolman, retired from the Northeastern District, May 6.

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



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# NEWSLETTER

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## RECRUITMENT:

### Everyone's Responsibility

Column after column of newsprint cram the classified section of the daily newspapers appealing to the unemployed or those workers dissatisfied with their present jobs to seek new horizons and challenges by dialing a telephone number. Dreams of betterment and advancement are often shattered, however, before the telephone receiver settles in its cradle. The caller has discovered through his inquiry that the salary or position quoted have only been come-ons to lure the unsuspecting to call. Faced with the dilemma of accepting or refusing the offer and pressured by the scarcity of employment opportunities the jobseeker finds it difficult to decline the first job opening available.

The Recruitment Unit must contend with these problems in its daily effort to fill the Department's manpower needs. The ten men who comprise the Unit must spread their time and energy thin as they go about their duties as recruiters insuring that the best qualified candidates become members of the Department. They not only interview candidates for appointment but also actively participate in locating and convincing young men that a police career is a worthwhile and rewarding profession.

The community's demand for police service has steadily added to the number of men that must be recruited to insure its adequate protection. Various Federal programs, designed to combat crime by placing more officers on the street, have also created more police positions to be filled. Filling those manpower vacancies which occur through normal attrition such as resignations and retirements present the Recruitment Unit its final hurdle.

To these men convincing young

people that a law enforcement career is both a demanding and fulfilling profession often requires hours of talking. Members of the Unit travel to college campuses and military installations in an effort to locate and interest the best possible candidates in a career with the Department. They also visit the local high schools and speak with those interested in law enforcement careers.

Recruitment, in its effort to attract suitable candidates to enter the Department, employs a number of techniques. Spot radio announcements are coupled with occasional television appearances to reach the public. Posters outlining the requirements and duties of an officer are distributed and displayed in various business establishments throughout the city. The Unit also includes advertisements in the local newspapers to complete its task.

One recruitment technique which had considerable success in the past has been reinstituted through the cooperation of the Board of Estimates. Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau has announced that any active or retired member of the Department below the rank of Captain will receive a \$50 bonus for each police-officer applicant who qualifies and is appointed to entrance level training. This plan becomes effective immediately.

Prior to the announcement that this program had been revived members of the Recruitment Unit attended roll-call training sessions at the invitation of the District Commanders. During their brief appearance they hoped to persuade all personnel present that everyone's active involvement is needed in the recruitment effort. The recruiters be-

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### Lock-Your-Car: A Joint Venture

The automobile, that modern, four-wheeled chariot without which contemporary society would come to a virtual standstill, found itself the target of a public campaign during the past week. This drive, rather than advocating the auto's removal from the city's streets, attempted to guarantee its use as today's most convenient mode of transportation. The main thrust of the campaign was aimed at focusing the attention of owner and operator on the accessibility and ease with which most vehicles can be stolen through owner carelessness.

The Baltimore Police Department in conjunction with the Maryland Insurance League sponsored the fifth annual Lock-Your-Car Campaign. The drive was conducted during the week of May 20, 1973. Members of the Department's Auto Theft Unit and representatives of various Baltimore insurance companies fanned out across the city. Concentrating their efforts in shopping districts and areas which evidenced a high rate of auto theft, the men inspected parked vehicles to determine whether or not the auto was locked. When they located an unlocked vehicle they checked further to see if the motorist had left the keys in the ignition or if any valuables had been left sitting in plain sight inside the car. If, during the course of their inspection, they observed any of these conditions they distributed a leaflet to the motorist reminding him to play it safe and lock his car.

During their joint campaign members of the Department and the insurance representatives checked more than 19,000 parked vehicles. They found more than 2500 unlocked autos during their five day search. Eleven of these unlocked

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## Lock-Your-Car

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vehicles could have been stolen in seconds as the keys had been left in the ignition. More than 500 of the inspected cars had valuables in plain sight, an open invitation for someone to steal them.

Although the incidence of auto theft has decreased significantly during the past several years, dropping more than 16% in the first four months of 1973, the insurance representatives understand the magnitude of the problem facing law enforcement authorities. As the auto industry produces a greater number of cars each year, even though these vehicles are often more mechanically theft proof than their predecessors, owner carelessness becomes the main ingredient in this crime of opportunity. The careless attitude which citizens often display stems from their belief that crime will never happen to them or that, if a theft does occur, their insurance will cover their loss.

Aside from the financial loss and inconvenience which the owner might suffer as a result of the theft, there are additional problems which the Department and Insurance League point out as resulting from the motorist's carelessness. Police man-hours which could have been devoted to other crime prevention and enforcement action are used to locate and return stolen autos. The possibility that an accident may occur as the auto thief joyrides through the city also adds to the numerous problems already created by the careless motorist.

In addition to their inspection of parked automobiles, the Department-Insurance League team visited a number of business establishments throughout the week. During the course of their brief visits they noted any security problems at the business site and advised the owners of them. Together they offered them suggestions on how to correct them and better safeguard their business by rearranging displays, obtaining better lighting and locking valuables in their safes after business hours.

The Department and the Maryland Insurance League are hopeful that through their combined efforts Baltimore's motorists will not be left careless by being careless.

## A Policeman's 'Best Friend'

*Following a brief chase through several vacant houses the suspect was finally apprehended. Now began the difficult task of searching the dilapidated homes in order to find the gun which the suspect had either dropped or hidden during his escape attempt.*

Central District Officer Charles C. Owens had been informed by a passing citizen that a man in the 1400 block of Pennsylvania Avenue had a gun. As the subject approached, the officer spotted the weapon tucked in his trousers. He immediately attempted to place him under arrest. A struggle ensued and the suspect broke from the officer's grasp. Minutes later the scene at the rear of the vacant row houses took place as Officer Owens recaptured the man.

The arresting officer found himself confronted with the near-impossible task of finding the weapon he had seen hidden on the subject, or, be faced with a difficult case to present in court. Together with seven of his Central District colleagues Officer Owens began a search of the three story house and the surrounding area through which the subject had passed during his flight. They found the search difficult as they sidestepped gaping holes in the floors, pushed aside the broken furniture which cluttered the

rooms and scratched through the piles of debris that littered the three story structure. For all their efforts they could find no gun.

Officer John F. Herpel of the K-9 Unit had responded to the location to assist, if needed, in the capture of the fleeing suspect. He recognized the problem facing the officers in their search and called for Officer Robert L. Powell and his K-9 dog, General.

After being briefed on the situation the six year veteran of the K-9 Unit and his dog searched a vacant lot bordering the house from which the suspect had come. The K-9 team then began a methodical search of the premises starting from the third floor and working to the first. The search proved futile until General and his master reached a rear room on the first floor. Approaching a closet door General began to whine and bark. Officer Powell searched the closet and found a loaded .45 caliber pistol hidden beneath some debris on a shelf.

General and his master were well-equipped to assist in the search. They had undergone extensive training during the past year to detect and locate hidden firearms. It appears, after this initial success, that their specialty will be in demand in the future as a new crime fighting tool.

## Preakness Patrol



Members of the Mounted Patrol Unit prepare to patrol the Pimlico Infield, Preakness Day 1973

## Final Sunday Tour Set

On Sunday, June 3, 1973 the final tour of the Headquarters Building scheduled for members of the Department, their families and friends will be conducted between 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Stops on the tour, which will be conducted by members of the Planning and Research and Community Relations Divisions, will include the Police Museum located in the lobby, the crime laboratory and auditorium, the communications and computer centers, the eighth floor administrative offices and conference rooms and the helipad located on the roof.

Anyone wishing to participate in the tour should notify his Commanding Officer as soon as possible so that arrangements may be made to accommodate the number of people who will be present.

## Community College Graduation Held

The Thirty-Third Commencement Exercise of the Community College of Baltimore was conducted on Sunday evening, May 20th on the Liberty Heights Avenue campus.

Ceremonies for the 736 graduates were presided over by Dr. Harry Bard, President of the College, and were attended by a number of dignitaries including Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau and Hyman A. Pressman, Comptroller of the City of Baltimore.

Among the graduates were twenty-six Departmental personnel who received Associate of Arts Degrees in Law Enforcement for the Community College. Commissioner Pomerleau conferred the degrees on the twenty-six graduates and congratulated them on the successful completion of their studies.

## Recruitment

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lieve that an officer's conversation with an interested young person is often the selling point in his choice of law enforcement as a career. They hope that through the incentive plan and their appearance at roll-call all Departmental personnel will join in their effort to locate, interview and select the best qualified men to join the Department.

## Graduation And Recognition

Thirty-three Probationary Officers graduated from the Department's Education and Training Division during exercises conducted at the Headquarters Building on Friday, May 18th.

Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, accompanied by members of the Command Staff, greeted the graduates and together with Alan H. Murrell, Public Defender for the State of Maryland, distributed the certificates of completion to the new officers.



Commendation ceremonies followed the graduation exercise. Several members of the Department were honored for exemplary action which they displayed in the line of duty. Several citizens were also cited for their part in assisting officers in preserving order in the community.

The families and friends of the graduates and those commended during the ceremonies were congratulated by Commissioner Pomerleau and Mr. Murrell during a brief refreshment period following the graduation.



## Safety Cities East And West Reopen

On May 2, 1973 the Traffic Safety Education Unit reopened the gates of Safety City East and Safety City West to conduct their "Walk Thru Tours." The two miniature villages which are laid out to resemble busy towns are located in the 4900 block of Eastern Avenue, on the grounds of City Hospitals, and Druid Hill Park.

"Walk Thru Tours" will be conducted from now until the end of the present school year. Baltimore Public and Parochial school students, ages 5 to 8 years, may participate in this thirty minute excursion.

This session which lasts for two hours places an emphasis on pedestrian safety. The youngsters are led on a tour of the town by a safety instructor. The miniature city is realistically equipped with automatic signals, stop signs and pedestrian cross walk lanes. The functions of these devices are explained to the student. In so doing the instructor impresses the young tourists with the importance of obeying the devices at all times.

Reservations are also being accepted at this time by the Safety Education Unit for their summer session of traffic instruction. A special, four-hour course, which will instruct the participants in pedestrian safety, will be offered Baltimore's elementary school youngsters.

The summer session, while also emphasizing pedestrian safety, stresses the importance of exercising care while bicycling and skating in the City. Upon completion of this tour each participant will be presented a certificate of completion which will make him a "Citizen of Safety City."

During the past school year the Department's Safety Education Unit has instructed more than 257,000 students. These classroom instructions serve as a prelude to the youngsters' visit to either Safety City facility.

Additional information and reservations may be obtained by contacting the Traffic Safety Education Unit, extension 2339.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — Congratulations and good luck to Lieutenant Arthur J. Cook, Crimes Against Persons Section, who retired May 10, 1973 after 24 years service and to Sergeant Salvatore A. Corona, State's Attorney's Unit, who retired May 10, 1973 after 19 years service. They will be greatly missed.

**Narcotic Unit** — Congratulations to Police Agent John S. Denholm who passed the Maryland State Bar examination. We are proud of you John.

**State's Attorney's Unit** — Congratulations to Sergeant William O. Grossman, Jr., who graduated with honors from Community College of Baltimore on May 20, receiving his Associate in Arts Degree in Law Enforcement.

**CHIEF OF PATROL'S OFFICE** — Congratulations to Patrolman and Mrs. John Blackwell who became grandparents when their daughter, Mrs. Jacalyn White and son-in-law, Clifton White, formerly of the Central Records Division, became the parents of a daughter, Candace Neke, on May 15, weighing 6 lbs. 13 oz.

Get well wishes to Patrolman Raymond A. Mackessy; hope you will be back soon.

**PLANNING & RESEARCH DIVISION** — Sincere sympathy from the Personnel of this Division to Clerk Barbara Tinsley on her recent loss.

Congratulations to Captain William F. Rochford and Patrolman Arthur

M. Amey, who received their Associate of Arts Degree from the Community College of Baltimore on May 20, 1973.

Speedy recovery is wished to Clerks Lolita Roberts and Sarah (Toni) Alfonso.

**WESTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Officer and Mrs. Lawrence Hughes whose son and daughter graduated from Howard University Law School on May 12 and from Stephen College in Missouri on May 13, respectively.

A speedy recovery to Officer Willie Perdue who is confined to Mercy Hospital, Room 1219-1.

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT** — Our very deepest sympathy is extended to retired Captain Carroll J. Flanagan on his recent loss and also to retired Patrolman Franklin (Barney) Weaver on his recent loss.

**SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — Sincere sympathy to Principle Clerk Helen Wozniak on her recent loss.

Congratulations to Officer Kieran Healy and his wife, Mildred, (assigned to the Southwestern District) on the birth of their son, Sean Patrick, on May 5, weighing 5 lbs. 15 oz.

Congratulations to Officer James Brokus and his wife, Valerie, on the birth of their daughter, Valerie, on May 8, weighing 8 lbs. 6 oz.

Welcome aboard to all the Officers recently transferred from Education and Training, Tactical and Central District.

**INTERNAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — Our deepest sympathy to the

family of Detective Donald Hranicka on their recent loss.

## *In Memoriam*

**BUCCINI, WILLIAM**, brother of Patrolman Frank Buccini, Northwestern District, May 5.

**HUTCHINS, ANITA**, grandmother of Mrs. Helen Wozniak, Principle Clerk, Southeastern District, Detective John Hess, Criminal Investigation Division, and aunt of Officer John Neubauer, Eastern District, May 7.

**JAMES, ALVA**, father of Patrolman Richard James, Tactical Section, May 7.

**SPAHN, JOHN F.**, brother of Retired Sergeant Harry B. Spahn and brother-in-law of Retired Officer August E. Panuska, May 8.

**TAYLOR, ALFRED**, grandfather of Patrolman Ronald Ward, Northeastern District, May 9.

**FLANAGAN, ADELAIDE**, wife of retired Captain Carroll J. Flanagan, formerly of the Southwestern District, May 10.

**HARDY, GRANT**, brother of Clerk Barbara Tinsley, Planning and Research Division, May 14.

## Final Roll Call

**RUPP, ROBERT F.**, Patrolman, retired from Traffic Division, May 12.

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



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## Criminal Investigation Division Chief Retires

On January 25, 1969 the task of coordinating the investigatory efforts of the Baltimore Police Department's Criminal Investigation Division was passed on to Maurice D. duBois. With his appointment as Chief of the Department's various detective units, the new Lieutenant Colonel assumed the responsibility for the successful completion of the multitude of investigations under taken by the Division.



Colonel duBois was first appointed to the Department in June, 1967 by Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau. He immediately assumed control of the Inspectional Services Division. The knowledge and experience which he had acquired in twenty-seven years of service with the Federal Bureau of Investigation prepared him well for the position.

The retiring Chief, a native Marylander, began his formal education in Baltimore after his parents moved from St. Mary's County when he was six years old. He graduated from City College in 1925. Following his graduation from the University of Baltimore, from which he received an LLB Degree, he attended

Johns Hopkins University. During his three years of study at Hopkins he majored in business, economics and accounting.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation lured the future Chief into its ranks during the early summer of 1940. This phase of his law enforcement career began with brief stays as a special agent in Tennessee and Virginia. He was transferred to the Bureau's Baltimore office in April, 1941 where he served until his retirement in 1967.

Compelled by a city ordinance which places a mandatory retirement age of sixty-five on any employee of the police department, Colonel duBois retired in December, 1972. Commissioner Pomerleau, immediately reappointed the retired Colonel to his former position.

Colonel duBois closed out his law enforcement career Wednesday June 6, 1973 as he retired from the Department. Commissioner Pomerleau, members of the Command Staff and the Chief's friends gathered at a luncheon on Tuesday to bid him farewell. Colonel duBois has accepted a position with the Motor Vehicle Administration.

## Command Staff Positions Filled

A new Lieutenant Colonel and a new Captain received their appointments from Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau on Thursday, June 7, 1973.

Joseph F. Carroll, now a Lieutenant Colonel, was appointed to the exempt position of Chief of the Criminal Investigation Division. Donald E. Einolf

upon his appointment as a Captain assumed command of the Crimes Against Property Section of the Criminal Investigation Division.



Lieutenant Colonel Carroll is a twenty-nine year veteran of the Department. Prior to assignment in the Criminal Investigation Division he served in the Northwestern District and the old Headquarters Narcotics Division. He has received more than a dozen commendations for exemplary police service.

Captain Einolf entered the Department in January, 1955. Since that time he has served in the Traffic Division, the Central, Southern, Northeastern and Southwestern Districts and the Criminal Investigation Division. He also has received numerous commendations for outstanding service to the Department and the Community.



## Police Academy Graduate Saluted

Having struggled with the intricacies of criminal law, psychology and police procedures, having strained through the rigors of physical conditioning and having adjusted to the semi-military atmosphere of the Department, the thirty-three probationary officers were eagerly awaiting their graduation from the Academy. They had only one more task to complete before they finished their sixteen weeks of instruction. They had to select one of their classmates to receive the Commissioner's Award of Excellence during their upcoming graduation ceremonies.

The Award is given that member of the graduating class judged to be the best future police officer in the class. Members of the class select one of their number by secret ballot relying on five separate criteria to make their selection: academic achievement, professional attitude, personal appearance, the ability to supervise and those other characteristics that comprise a professional police officer. Their choice, kept secret until the graduation exercise, is formally presented the Award before his family and friends.

Officer Richard W. Evans was the latest graduate to receive his classmate's vote of confidence. Commissioner Donald

D. Pomerleau presented Officer Evans the Award during the graduation ceremonies held on May 25th.

However, before Officer Evans could savor this moment of achievement the new graduate was surprised a second time. Mr. Raymond Thompson, President of Ray Thompson Associates, a public relations firm, and Mr. Donald Davidson, of Metro Goldwyn Mayer productions, announced that Officer Evans would be travelling to New York City at M.G.M.'s expense. He was slated to play a small role in the film company's upcoming movie entitled "The Super-cops."

The film, which was being filmed in Brooklyn, portrays the story of two New York City police officers and their efforts to combat big city crime. Officer Evans for his part plays a detective interrogating a suspect. He was supported in his role by representatives of the Los Angeles, San Francisco and St. Louis Police Departments who had also been selected to play parts in the movie.

Officer Evans was accompanied to New York by his wife, Patricia. After three days of show business the Southwestern District officer returned to Baltimore ready to begin his real life role as a law enforcement officer.



Commissioner Pomerleau congratulates Officer and Mrs. Richard Evans on his selection as the top police officer in his Academy graduating class.

## *Professional Post Scripts*

Dear Mr. Pomerleau,

*I was just recently privileged to work with the Baltimore City Police Department for a month on Up With People's visit to your fine city.*

*Never before in a city have I seen a Department of men support and assist us so well as did the men and women of the Baltimore City Police Force.*

*Our success in the city was in great part due to their organization and willingness to help.*

*I would like to make special note of the following men who spent a great deal of time with us during the cast's two week stay. Lieutenant Riggin was always concerned of our well being and the security of our equipment. Colonel Schnabel worked out a fine logistical schedule for police escorts and assistance. Norfleet Barnes really became a good friend of the cast as he took hundreds of photos and was always willing to capture on film what we desired.*

*Finally, I'd like to say a few words about the two patrolmen of car 1905, Day and Ray as we came to know them. They were assigned to us for two weeks and no matter what our need at any time of the day they were ready and willing to help. They made many lasting friendships among our cast.*

*In summing up I'd just like to say, for myself and on behalf of Up With People, thanks so much for giving us the chance to meet and work with one of the finest city police departments anywhere. Please extend our grateful appreciation to the men and women of your force.*

*We in Up With People all look forward to returning to Baltimore next year and having another successful stay in association with Buddies and the Baltimore City Police Department.*

*Until next year, thank you once again for everything.*

Sincerely,  
Willie Cone  
Advance Coordinator  
Up With People



Detectives Henry Beaudet, Robert M. Pupke, Lieutenant James A. Kelly, Lieutenant Colonel Maurice D. duBois accept the Insurance League Award from Mr. Warren L. MacKenzie.

## ***Auto Theft Unit Hailed***

The Maryland Insurance League recently saluted the Department's Auto Theft Unit for its service to the community. Mr. Warren L. MacKenzie, Chairman of the League, presented members of the Unit the Chairman's Award for Public Service. The Award recognizes the officers for their resourcefulness and dedication in reducing the occurrence of automobile thefts throughout the city.

The presentation of the Award coincided with the Lock-Your-Car Campaign which was conducted during the week of May 20th. The campaign which has become an annual event is cosponsored by the Department and the Maryland Insurance League. This campaign serves as a prime example of the Unit's continuous efforts to further reduce the amount of vehicles stolen in the city.

## **Park Policing Project Begun**

In an effort to better safeguard Baltimore's parks and recreation centers during the summer months the Baltimore Police Department is supplying additional uniformed officers to patrol the most frequented park areas. Although crime itself is not a serious problem in the parks many residents of the community have hesitated to utilize these recreational facilities because of their fear of crime. By establishing a more visible police presence in the parks more people will be encouraged to use them.

Mayor William Donald Schaefer and Mr. Douglas S. Tawney, Director of the Department of Recreation and Parks have joined together with the Police Department in planning and instituting the Park Policing Program. Eleven parks will be patrolled by uniformed officers throughout the summer season. The majority of officers covering the parks will operate motor scooters while the remainder patrol the areas on foot and in marked vehicles. The park program thus employs a high degree of visibility as the primary technique in safeguarding the City's recreational areas.

Phase I of the project became operational June 3rd. This initial phase of the program is being funded by a special appropriation to the budget of the Department of Recreation and Parks. These funds will finance the salaries of the

participating officers and the equipment needed to cover the twenty-six posts which have been selected for patrolling during the first phase of the program.

Although Phase II of the Park Policing Program is still subject to budgetary approval, it is scheduled to begin on July 1. At this time the number of posts being covered in the parks will be increased to 48.

With visibility and mobility the keys to the success of the park project motor scooters will be the primary means of conveyance for officers on patrol in the parks. Training sessions for those members of the Department who wish to obtain a motorcycle driving permit were started on June 4th. The sessions were conducted at the Gunpowder Range. They consisted of two days of practical training on a motorcycle similar to the ones employed in the program and one day of written testing. An eye test and the written exam were given the registrants by members of the Motor Vehicle Administration. Those who passed the exams had both their Maryland and Departmental operators licenses certified for motorcycle operation.

Manpower requirements for the project are filled by volunteers who are paid on an overtime basis for their tours of duty.

## ***War Memorial Plaza Opened***

The War Memorial Plaza, opposite City Hall and a short stroll from the Headquarters Building, has taken on a new identity. Bright red and white umbrellas shade small lunch tables from the summer sun. An outdoor cafe provides food and refreshments to those caught without a lunch. A stage on which noontime performers will entertain those present dominates the east end of the Plaza.

Baltimore Mayor William Donald Schaefer officially opened the Plaza on June 4th. The Mayor explained the "New Plaza" had been in the planning stage since February of this year. At that time he appointed a committee to decide how to best utilize the Plaza's unused open space. The committee struck upon the idea to convert the Plaza into a combination outdoor lunchroom and summer theater. And so, the present picnic atmosphere has settled over the area which serves as a front lawn to City Hall.

The Plaza's activities will continue through mid-September and the Mayor has invited everyone to use the new facilities.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**CENTRAL DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Officer Charles Von Nordeck for leading the department in total sales of "Up With People" tickets. Of \$6,739.00 obtained by this District, Officer Von Nordeck was responsible for the sale of \$6,504.00 worth of tickets for the show. A BIG THANK YOU to all concerned.

### CENTRAL RECORDS DIVISION

Congratulations to Cadet Eugene Sanchez and the former Patricia Markley on their marriage on May 12.

Speedy recovery wishes are sent to Sergeant Russell Mills, Officer Robert Brandenburger, Cadet Robert King and Clerk Barbara Garrett, all recuperating from recent surgery.

Welcome back to Patrolman Marvin Seyfer, Identification Section.

**NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Patrolman Walter Price and his teammates, Art LaPenotiere, Charles Price, David Hanna and Jerry Brenner. Officer Walter Price rolled a 232 score to lead his bowling team, "The Slow Rollers," in beating Maryland State Police for the first place Championship in the Law Enforcement League at Towson Fairlanes on May 21.

### PLANNING & RESEARCH DIVISION

— Congratulations to John D. Melling, son of Mrs. Gertrude Melling, who graduated from Cardinal Gibbons High School on June 10.

**SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Agent Michael H. Waudby and his wife, Mary Elizabeth,

on the birth of a son, Michael H., Jr., born on May 14, weighing 5 lbs. 8 ozs.

Congratulations to Officer Frederick Wroblewski and his wife, Kathleen on the birth of a son Frederick, Jr., born on June 4, weighing 7 lbs. 11ozs.

Please get well quick Officer Larry Triplett, who is a patient at University Hospital and Officer William Adamo, who is recuperating at home after recent surgery.

**PATROL DIVISION** — Congratulations to Lieutenant Colonel Frank J. Serra, Jr., and Lieutenant Calvin Lewis, Crime Control Team, Area II, who both received Bachelor of Science Degrees during Graduation Exercises of the University of Baltimore at the Civic Center on June 6.

**SERVICES BUREAU** — Congratulations to Deputy Commissioner and Mrs. Thomas J. Keyes on the graduation of their daughter, Susan, from Towson State College on June 3, 1973. She received the Bachelor of Arts degree and graduated magna cum laude. She maintained a perfect grade as a French major in her four years of college.

## *In Memoriam*

**WARNS, JOSEPH H., JR.**, father of Officer Michael Warns, Southeastern District, May 18.

**GREAVER, GEORGE**, brother of Detective Albert Greaver, Criminal Investigation Division, Assault and Robbery Unit, May 20.

**JONES, WILLIAM A.**, father-in-law of Officer David Suter, Southern District, May 25.

**POWELL, LEOTTA**, niece of Emergency Call Clerk William Weideman, Communications Division, May 31.

**BRZOSTEK, BERTHA**, sister of Patrolman Walter Marcinko, Northeastern District, June 2.

**HYSER, HARRY G., IV**, son of Patrolman Harry G. Hyser, 3rd, and grandson of Patrolman Harry G. Hyser, Jr., both of Southern District, June 3.

## Final Roll Call

**GAIN, ROBERT W.**, Patrolman, Active Duty, Traffic Division, detailed Casual Section, Personnel Division, May 23.

**GARRETT, VERNON PAUL**, Patrolman, retired from Traffic Division, May 23.

**HOFFMAN, RAYMOND C.**, Patrolman, retired from Northern District, May 29.

**ELLINGHAUS, WILLIAM J.**, Patrolman, retired from Northwestern District, May 30.

**NOVAK, RAYMOND J.**, Detective, retired from the Central District Pawn Shop Squad, May 31.

**RALEY, DONALD**, Detective, retired from the Criminal Investigation Division, Homicide Squad, June 2.

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



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## *YOU need to know . . .*

*On June 14, 1973 Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau issued a statement announcing the indictment and arrest of a number of members of the Department along with 18 civilians. This statement followed arrests in January of 1973 after which the Police Commissioner indicated that additional indictments would follow. The statement of June 14 is presented here for the information of members of the Department:*

On 26 January 1973, along with the United States Attorney for the District of Maryland, George Beall, I announced that agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and members of the Baltimore Police Department concluded an extended investigation by arresting 26 persons (18 civilians and 8 police officers, or former police officers) for violations of the Organized Crime Control Act of 1970. At that time I also stated that this was a continuing investigation and forecast more indictments and arrests.

At this time I wish to announce that . . . "a Special Federal Grand Jury in Baltimore today returned two criminal indictments which charge 14 members of the Baltimore City Police Department and 19 other persons with conspiring to obstruct enforcement of the criminal laws with intent to facilitate illegal gambling businesses." The foregoing is a direct quote from the press release of the United States Attorney for the District of Maryland, George Beall, dated 14 June 1973.

The members of the Baltimore Police Department include five Lieutenants, six Sergeants, two Patrolmen and one former Vice Section Detective. They are identified as follows:

Lieutenants Clarence E. Ethridge, Western District; Charles A. Goodrich, Northern District; William A. Jackson, Western District; Stephen M. Plowman, Western District. Sergeants: Calvin M. Cason, Western District; Joseph E. De-

Paolo, Western District; Harry A. Gonzales, Western District; Alfred E. Gundy, Western District; Joseph A. Placek, Western District; Robert E. Spangler, Community Services Division. Patrolmen: Kenneth Steele, Western District; James M. Thompson, Western District; former Detective Patrolman: Francis M. Wright, Criminal Investigation Division.

You will note from Mr. Beall's statement that the indictments are the product of an investigation which we initiated in May of 1972. Investigative activity was conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and members of the Baltimore Police Department under the supervision of Mr. George Beall, United States Attorney for the District of Maryland.

I would like to quote directly from page 4 of Mr. Beall's press release. . . . "The Federal Investigation into the extent and nature of police corruption in Baltimore City will continue. While it is impossible at this time to predict whether further criminal charges can be expected, information uncovered by the joint efforts of the United States Attorney's Office, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Baltimore City Police Department will be subjected to close study by those agencies."

Mr. Beall reiterated that. . . "the criminal charges brought by the Federal Grand Jury today were the direct result of information that was originally brought to the attention of Federal authorities by Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau in May of 1972."

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## Recent Graduates

Many members of the Department who have been attending area institutions of higher education during the past year have received diplomas after successful completion of their schooling.

Below is a listing of most of the members who have received their diplomas or certificates:

### UNIV. OF BALTIMORE

Lt. Colonel Frank J. Serra — B.S.  
Lt. Calvin Lewis — B.S.  
Lt. Joseph W. Nixon — B.A.  
Sgt. Kenneth C. Lambert — B.S.  
Sgt. Robert P. Wolfe — J.D.  
Sgt. Michael C. Zotos — B.S.  
Det. Robert C. Lowman — B.S.  
Officer Elmer Finkenbinder — B.S.

### COPPIN STATE COLLEGE

Major Bishop L. Robinson — Masters

### UNIV. OF MARYLAND

Lt. William A. Colburn Jr. — A.A.  
Lt. William A. Colburn Jr. — B.A.

### CATONSVILLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Lt. Grover C. Sharp III — A.A.

### COMM. COLLEGE OF BALTIMORE

Capt. William F. Rochford — A.A.  
Lt. William Eusini — A.A.  
Lt. Herbert F. Armstrong — A.A.  
Lt. Herbert C. Hoover — A.A.  
Lt. Howard F. Parrott — A.A.  
Lt. Donald E. Woods — A.A.  
Sgt. William O. Gossman Jr. — A.A.  
Sgt. Harry T. Simmont — Cert. in L.E.  
Sgt. Charles M. Dickens — A.A.  
Sgt. John D. Boyle — A.A.  
Sgt. Elmer L. L'Ecuier — A.A.  
Sgt. William E. Stanley — A.A.  
Sgt. Steve Zabetakis — A.A.  
Sgt. Charles Sinnott — Cert. in L.E.  
Sgt. John C. Leitz — A.A.  
Sgt. Eugene M. O'Hara — A.A.  
Sgt. Donald Voss — A.A.

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## Pre-Trial Intervention

The start of a new pre-trial intervention program for first offenders accused of petty misdemeanors has been announced by Mayor William Donald Schaefer and States Attorney Milton B. Allen.

The man who will direct the new program, Joseph Baum of the States Attorney's staff, says that the program will handle only persons charged in non-violent and non-narcotic-related cases.

Under the new program, known as "FOUND" (First Offenders Under New Direction) trials of first-offenders in the 18 to 26 year old age category would be postponed for a 90-day probationary period.

During that time the FOUND enrollees would be given job counseling, tutoring, vocational training and job-placement services.

If the FOUND enrollees show promise of successful performance during the probationary period, the services will be extended until the charges are dropped. Unsuccessful participants will be prosecuted as charged.

Eligible for participation in the FOUND program would be youthful defendants accused of first offenses in such property related areas as petty thievery, malicious destruction, disorderly conduct and unauthorized use of an automobile.

Mayor Schaefer and Mr. Allen said that they hope the FOUND program will divert 200 participants from the criminal justice system during its first year of operation. Eventually, the number may rise to about 1,000 per year.

Mayor Schaefer praised the effort saying, "It is such innovative programs as this in which the hope for our criminal justice system lies."

States Attorney Allen noted that although similar programs are now operating in about 20 cities in the United States, this is the first one to be initiated

by a prosecutor's office.

Mr. Allen explained that \$200,000 is being put into the FOUND program this year, with the bulk of the funding provided by a Federal grant authorized by the Governor's Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice. That body has okayed the channeling of \$150,000 in Federal Law Enforcement Assistance Administration funds into the program. The City of Baltimore is contributing \$50,000.

## Fifteen New Sergeants

On Tuesday June 12, 1973 Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau awarded Certificates of Promotion to 15 new Sergeants. The ceremonies, conducted in the Headquarters Building's auditorium, were followed by refreshments at the Departmental Canteen.

The new Sergeants and their assignments are as follows:

William K. Lester, Jr. — Planning and Research Division

Nicholas J. Caprinolo, Jr. — Eastern District

Gordon P. Scott — Southeastern District

William C. Bory — Western District

Robert C. Michael — Office of the Chief of Patrol

Joseph P. Newman — Criminal Investigation Division

Elmer Dennis, Jr. — Northern District

William M. Staley — Southeastern District

Thomas J. Marks — Central District

William J. Pennington — Southeastern District

Jeffrey C. Wright — Inspectional Services Division

Paul J. Bach — Central District

James B. Dixon — Office of the Chief of Patrol

Michael P. Barnes, Sr. — Northern District

Larry E. Johnston — Traffic Division

## Recent Graduates

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Sgt. John Preiss Jr. — Cert. in L.E.  
Officer Arlene Manning — A.A.  
Officer Arthur M. Amey — A.A.  
Officer Edward U. Chaney — A.A.  
Officer Warren T. McCoy — A.A.  
Officer Joseph Vielbig III — A.A.  
Officer Harlow Fullwood Jr. — A.A.  
Officer Phillip B. Reid — A.A.  
Officer Arthur M. Jones — A.A.  
Officer David S. Garayoa — A.A.  
Officer Leonard Frieson — A.A.  
Officer John Dutton — Cert. in L.E.  
Officer Alexander Pelsinsky — A.A.  
Det. C. Curtis Rothrock — A.A.  
Det. Thaddeus Logan — A.A.  
Officer William C. Harris — A.A.

### ESSEX COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Sgt. Edmund Solinsky — A.A.  
Officer Michael C. Bender — A.A.  
Officer Marvin Murphy — A.A.  
Officer James P. Schuch — A.A.  
Officer Paul S. Miller — A.A.  
Officer Edward J. Gallagher — A.A.  
Officer Terry N. Tiell — A.A.  
Det. Sidney E. Lightfoot — A.A.

## Professional Post Scripts

Gentlemen:

Last night I had occasion to call your Department regarding a disturbance which took place on the playground of Barclay Elementary School. The time was around 11:30 p.m. I estimate that the interval between my call and the arrival of two patrol cars on the scene couldn't have been more than thirty seconds, at the outside. In my opinion the speed of your response to the complaint was remarkable, even more so considering that the neighborhood in general must be a pretty troublesome area.

It is for this reason that I am taking the opportunity to express my appreciation for doing so well in a job that becomes more difficult every day.

Sincerely  
John H. Rohrer

## Vehicle Inspection and Warning Rules Changed

Maryland Governor Marvin Mandel has signed into law the first major revisions to Maryland's 7½ year old law dealing with inspection of used vehicles and warnings for defective equipment. These revisions become effective July 1, 1973.

The first bill makes all classes of permanently registered Maryland vehicles subject to warnings for defective equipment such as cracked windshields, inoperative stoplights, inadequate ex-

haust systems, unsafe tires and the like. If a person is issued a safety equipment repair order he has 30 days to correct the defect and to notify the State Police Automotive Safety Enforcement Division. If the State Police do not receive the proper repair certification, the license plates of the offending vehicle are automatically suspended. The only Maryland vehicles exempted from equipment repair orders are those bearing temporary tags, dealer tags, antique motor

vehicle tags, tow truck tags, and transporter tags.

The second bill requires Class E trucks up to and including ¾ tons and Class G trailers up to 35 feet in length that are designed for human habitation or for camping or pleasure purposes to be inspected upon sale or transfer.

The third revision allows certain vehicle owners the option of either taking their vehicle to an authorized inspection station or a participating police station for certification of repair for certain visual inspection items. Class A passenger cars are included as well as ½ and ¾ ton pickup trucks and motorcycles. Only the following defects apply under this new option plan: (54) windshield wipers, (56) tail lights, (57) horn, (60) bumper, (61) glass, (64) stoplights, (65) tag lights, (68) rear-view mirrors, (69) door latch or handle, (71) turn signals, (73) hood catch, (76) fenders.

State Police Lieutenant Bruce E. Diehl, in charge of the Automobile Safety Enforcement Division, is looking to these new laws to bring an added measure of safety to the highways. As Lieutenant Diehl put it, "We want to make driving safer for everyone by reducing equipment failure related accidents."

## Northwestern University Graduation

Lieutenant Joseph R. Bolesta of the Baltimore Police Department was among eighty-nine police officers who were granted a leave of absence from their department to go to college at the Traffic Institute of Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois. He graduated in ceremonies in Evanston on June 16 after successfully completing the nine month college-accredited program.

The course included 30 hours of credit from Northwestern University for completing the management level training program.

The graduates were honored at a dinner on June 14, in Evanston, attended by

over 400 guests including members of their families, chiefs of police, and officials of agencies concerned with highway traffic safety. Franklin M. Kreml, former director of the Traffic Institute, now president of the Motor Vehicle Manufacturers' Association, was principal speaker. The graduates and their guests were also addressed by Colonel Wilson E. Speir, Director of the Department of Public Safety, State of Texas. Colonel Speir was representing the International Association of Chiefs of Police in his capacity as General Chairman of the Division of State and Provincial Police.



Lieutenant Joseph B. Bolesta (center) of the Baltimore Police Department, along with Maryland State Police Sergeant Wilbur L. Wells (left) receive graduation certificates from Northwestern University Traffic Institute Director James M. Slavin (right).

## Travellers Aided

Vacationing in a foreign country is generally a pleasant experience; the best planned trip, however, can produce its trying moments. Sixty West German tourists discovered this as they passed through Baltimore en route to New York. One of their chartered buses broke down stranding thirty of their party on an East Baltimore street. The fact that only two of their party spoke broken English compounded their plight.

A Traffic unit and several Eastern District units came to the vacationers' immediate aid. They assured the travelers of their safety and helped transport them to the Eastern District Station. The District's facilities were placed at the passengers' disposal as they awaited the arrival of a second bus to take them to New York.

Three hours later the tourists resumed their journey homeward. Before their departure they expressed their gratefulness to the officers for the kindness and consideration shown them during their delay.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to retired Officer Wilbur Wittler whose grandson, John L. Voight was appointed to West Point effective July 2.

Congratulations to Patrolman Thomas Marks who was promoted to the rank of Sergeant on June 12, and assigned to the Central District. You will be missed.

A speedy recovery is wished for the following members of this District: Captain Joseph DiCarlo, Patrolmen Raymond Sylvester, Milton Freund, Alfred Porreca and Charles Cluster.

**CENTRAL DISTRICT** — Retired Officer Frank J. Diller wishes to announce the marriage of his son, Frank J. Diller, Jr. and the former Margaret L. Smith which took place on June 23. Congratulations to the happy couple.

**NORTHERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Captain and Mrs. Robert L. Larkin, on the graduation of their son, Robert L. Larkin, Jr. from the United States Naval Academy on June 6. He is now a Second Lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps.

**SOUTHERN DISTRICT** — Members of this District would like to wish Captain Walter T. Jasper much success in his new assignment to the Western District. The Southern District certainly will miss you.

Congratulations and welcome aboard to Captain Harry C. Allender, the new Commander of this District. Congratulations to Officer and Mrs.

Frank S. Bell who celebrated 27 years of married bliss on June 22.

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — Property Crimes Section — Congratulations to Detective Robert C. Lowman upon receiving one of the first Bachelor's Degrees in Law Enforcement presented by the University of Baltimore, May 30, 1973. Onward and upward, Bob.

— Narcotic Unit — Congratulations to Detective William J. Pennington who was promoted to the rank of Sergeant on June 12. Good luck in your new assignment to the Southeastern District.

**TACTICAL SECTION** — Congratulations to Officer Joseph Patrick McMahon and the former Mary C. Carroll who were married on June 22.

Good luck to Lieutenant Edwin Boston and Sergeant Donald M. Farley on their new assignments.

Congratulations to Officer Raymond Wheatley and his wife, Patricia, on the birth of their daughter, Vicki Renee, on June 17, weighing 7lbs. 6 oz.

**WESTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Officer Calvin W. Burns, Jr. and his wife, Andrea, on the birth of their son, Damon Jarrotte, on June 9, weighing 5 lbs. 11 oz.

A speedy recovery to Officer William Lansey, who is a patient at Sinai Hospital, Room 293 B.

Members of this District extend deepest sympathy to Patrolmen John McAndrews and Albert Watsic and Policewoman Rebekah Blackston, on their recent losses.

## In Memoriam

**SHANAHAN, JAMES W.**, brother of Officer William Shanahan, Traffic Division, T. I. S., June 4.

**WHELTLE, MARY I.**, mother of retired Sergeant John C. Wheltle, Criminal Investigation Division, Property Crimes, June 4.

**TIMCHULA, JOHN M., SR.**, brother of Lieutenant Stephan Timchula, Traffic Division, Administration Unit, June 5.

**BROWN, HATTIE**, aunt of Policewoman Rebekah Blackston, Western District, June 11.

**BEAUDET, JAMES W.**, brother of Detective Henry T. Beudet, Criminal Investigation Division, Auto Theft Unit, June 15.

**MAZZELLA, GUY**, father-in-law of Sergeant Herbert Ey, Southern District, June 15.

**RUSS, HERMAN P.**, brother-in-law of Patrolman John T. O'Neill, Communications Division, June 17.

## Final Roll Call

**BAYNE, HARRY J.**, retired Patrolman from Northeastern District and brother of retired Detective Lester Bayne, June 16.

**RAWLINGS, JAMES M.**, Patrolman, retired from Southern District, June 18.

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



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## Departmental Helicopter Unit Strengthened

Fifty-eight and fifty-nine Foxtrot, the new call-signs being heard on the police radio belong to the two newest additions to the Baltimore Police Department aerial fleet.

The newest Hughes 300-C's are on station after being flown, by Department crews, from the Hughes Tool Company plant in Culver City, California.

The cross country flight, supervised by Deputy Commissioner C. Jared Glauser, lasted a week with the aircraft stopping about two dozen times for fuel. Three pilots shared the flying chores hopping to and from such places as Yuma and Gila Bend, Arizona, Demeng, New Mexico, Van Horn, Texas, Tuscaloosa, Alabama then through Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia. The pilots were Flight Officers Henry Lippin-

cott, Thomas Howard and Michael Sugh-rue.

The two additions to the Helicopter Unit were financed through the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration and the Governor's Commission for Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice. The local match to a total of \$405,100 in Federal Grants is the service of three pilots and three aerial observers.

According to reports from the crews who ferried the aircraft across the United States the flights were normal. One experience which was related was the unusual feeling of flying above an Interstate Highway with a strong headwind and seeing the automobiles below cruising along at a faster rate than the helicopters above.



Fifty-eight and Fifty-nine Foxtrot arriving at Friendship International Airport after a cross country flight from the Hughes Tool Company at Culver City, California.

## Graduation Ceremonies Conducted

Twenty-six new Baltimore Police Officers completed the final exercise of their sixteen week training period Friday, June 29th, 1973 as they received certificates of graduation. In addition six members of the Friendship Airport Police and two Howard County Police Officers graduated as part of the class.

Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, assisted by the guest speaker, Mr. Edwin R. Tully, Deputy Secretary of Public Safety for the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, distributed the certificates to the graduates.

During the ceremonies Officer Franklin G. Barlow, Jr., received the Commissioner's Award of Excellence. The Award goes to that member of the graduating class who, in the judgement of his classmates, best exhibits those characteristics that comprise a professional police officer.

Prior to the commencement exercise the graduates received their assignments. They are as follows: Central District - Officers Edward H. Ballard, Franklin Barlow, John C. Cox, John J. Degen, George C. Dickerson, Michael J. Fay, Ronald D. Jones, Pern A. Lundell, George C. Mister, Charles D. Tarter; Eastern District - Harold B. Burke, III, Carl L. Grinnage, Elmer R. Mooring; Northeastern District - Joseph J. Gorsuch; Northern District - Albert E. Heinbaugh; Northwestern District - Larry M. Dunson, Thomas J. Sloan; Southeastern District - Frederick V. Koch, Ronald B. Krulock, John P. White; Southern District - Philip G. Gonyo, Jerry H. Jordan; Southwestern District - Lawrence A. Bowles; Western District - Daniel L. Boone, Jeffrey D. Gaul, Tyrone D. Scott.

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## Northeastern District Officer Recognized

Officer William T. White, a member of the Northeastern District Operations Unit, was saluted by the Greater Northeast Baltimore Association as its Policeman of the Year. Officer White was recognized during the Association's Independence Day celebration at Memorial Stadium.

Chosen for his dedicated police service to the Northeastern community Officer White distinguished himself in an April hold-up of a drug store. Patrolling his foot post the Operations Officer entered an East Cold Spring Lane Pharmacy shortly before it closed for the night. While waiting for the druggist to lock the front door he heard a voice suddenly order everyone in the store to lie on the floor. Peering over a shelf which shielded him from the suspect's view Officer White observed a man, wielding a revolver, holding the druggist at bay. Creeping behind the shelves to the front of the store Officer White found himself faced with three more gunmen standing over the prone employees. As he drew his service revolver one of the suspects spotted his movement and opened fire at him. He returned the fire and wounded one of the gunmen. An exchange of gunfire followed between Officer White and the three remaining gunmen during which more than twenty shots were fired at the officer. In his anxiety to escape one of the hold-up men fell through a plate glass door as the officer pursued the gunmen from the pharmacy. After a brief chase one of the suspects was apprehended in a near by yard. Found beside the suspect was a .38 caliber revolver.

As a result of this apprehension and the investigation which followed four more suspects were later arrested. Thirteen cases of armed Assault and Robbery involving several liquor stores were cleared. As a result of these arrests a homicide which had occurred during one of the robberies was also cleared.

During the ceremonies which honored the officer he was congratulated for his unselfish action by his commanding officer, Captain Henry J. Deasel. He was also presented an engraved plaque from the Greater Northeast Baltimore Association.

## Southwestern Crime Control Team Participates In Community Fair

*The word POLICE is derived from the Latin word POLITA meaning "administration of the commonwealth" and the Greek word POLIS for "city" and POLITES which means "citizen."*

*Police means "participation by the citizen!"*

Displaying the above message for everyone to see Crime Control Team B, Area I, took part in a Community Bazaar which was held on Saturday, June 23. The Neighborhood Fair which featured exhibits and displays by citizens of the area was sponsored by the Union Square Association, a Southwestern Community organization.



The Crime Control Team, headed by Lieutenant Francis J. Reidy and Sergeant Robert E. Wilson, set up its booth for the open-air meeting with the Southwestern community in Union Square Park at Hollins and Stricker Streets. Police Agents William H. McClean and John F. Meeks and Officers Frederick L. Massey and Tyler J. Tyson manned the blue and white booth for the day long activity.

From 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. more than 15,000 people passed through the park grounds visiting the many stalls. Many of the fairgoers stopped at the officers' booth where they received pamphlets outlining measures they could adopt to both reduce and prevent crime in their community. Visitors to the booth were also given a demonstration of Operation Identification. After the demonstration they were invited to bring any valuables to the booth to have them marked by a member of the Team.



As part of the Department's concentrated effort to reduce crime in the residential areas of the City, the Crime Control Team members have been working in the Southwestern community since February 1, 1973. Since the beginning of the program the Team's main tasks have been to identify the crime related problems in the area, to inform the citizens of them and to advise the community on the measures needed to resolve them. To this end members of the Team have met individually a number of the area residents.

By participating in the Union Square Fair members of the Southwestern Crime Control Team hoped to meet and converse with the greatest number of residents possible. By speaking with them the Team members hoped to attain the first objective in their effort to assist the community in combatting its crime problem — a well informed community of businessmen and residents determined to reduce crime in their own community.



## Graduation Ceremonies Held

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Immediately following the graduation exercise, commendation ceremonies were conducted. Three citizens who had assisted law enforcement officers in preserving order in the community as well as five officers who had displayed exemplary police service in the line of duty were saluted.

Officers John E. Burns, Kenneth W. Patrick and Jimmy D. Halcomb, members of the Western District, were presented the Bronze Star for their rescue of several North Avenue families in a May fire. Officers William T. White, of the Northeastern District, and Richard W. Smalley, of the Southeastern District, received special commendations for the outstanding performance of their police duties during two separate hold-up attempts.

In addition to the regular graduation and commendation exercises Commissioner Pomerleau also recognized forty-six members of the Department who had received degrees from area colleges during the past several months.

During a brief refreshment period Commissioner Pomerleau, Mr. Tully and members of the Command Staff extended their congratulations and best wishes to everyone on their achievement.

## Retired Police Association Elects President

Retired Patrolman Arthur G. McCloskey recently relinquished the presidential reins of the Retired Police Association, Incorporated. He served as President of that organization from 1950 through 1953 and again from 1957 through the latest election of officers.

The new President is Mr. Howard L. Muhl, Sr., retired Maintenance and Building Repairs Supervisor. He pledges to continue the policies of President McCloskey which result in efforts on behalf of the Association and the Baltimore Police Department.

## Community Relations Officer Honored

The Kiwanis Club of Baltimore recently presented Officer Elwood H. Davenport its annual Policeman of the Year award. The Community Relations Officer was selected by the Club from more than fifteen candidates. As a recipient of the Award he was not only praised for the performance of his daily police duties but also for his dedicated volunteer service to the community.

As a member of the Department's Community Relations Division, Officer Davenport mans a community storefront office in the 2200 block East Baltimore Street. During the past year more than 7,000 citizens, of all ages and races, have passed through his office seeking help and advice in an effort to solve their problems. Throughout the past year Officer Davenport has met and spoken to more than 40,000 people. He attended numerous citizen meetings outlining the Department's role in the community. The Community Relations specialist also supervised and conducted

a number of tours of the Headquarters Building enabling several thousand Baltimore citizens to view firsthand the behind the scene operations of the Department.

During the past year as a volunteer for the Baltimore Chapter of the Red Cross and the Boy Scouts of America, Officer Davenport has also come in contact with many other citizens who were in need of aid. As a Red Cross volunteer he qualifies for and actively participates in three Red Cross water safety programs. He often finds himself called upon to lecture or demonstrate these safety techniques to community organizations.

Officer Davenport has received praise both from the citizens whom he has aided and from the organizations to which he volunteers his time and energy. More than thirty-five commendatory letters attest to his dedication to serve the Southeast community to which he is assigned.

## Departmental Salary Increases Outlined

Both sworn and civilian members of the Department will see an increase in their paychecks on July 25, 1973 as the result of a new pay scale which is listed below:

	ENTRANCE	STEP 1	STEP 2	STEP 3	STEP 4	STEP 5
POLICE OFFICER						
NEW	\$ 8,761	9,257	9,677	10,121	10,589	11,082
POLICE AGENT						
NEW	11,614	FLAT SALARY				
SERGEANT						
NEW	12,175	12,774	13,384			
LIEUTENANT						
NEW	14,021	14,657	15,422			
CAPTAIN						
NEW	16,185	16,987	17,835			
MAJOR, DEPUTY CHIEF, DIRECTOR						
NEW	19,015	19,965	20,934			
LIEUTENANT COLONEL						
NEW	22,552	FLAT SALARY				

The civilian pay scales will be upgraded by 3% with a minimum salary increase of \$312 per year.

School Crossing Guards will receive an annual salary of \$2,464.

Although these new pay scales are dated July 1, 1973, the effective date cited above is established by the City in accordance with a policy which prescribes that pay for the entire pay period in which a pay increase is effective will be paid at the rate covering the majority of days of the pay period. Because only 4 days of the 14 days of the pay period beginning June 21, ending July 4, fell after July 1, 1973, the pay for that entire period was computed at the old rate.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION — Administrative Unit —** Congratulations to Patrolman Ed Dunn, Sr., whose sons, Ed, Jr., graduated from Patterson High School and Michael, who graduated from Cardinal Gibbons during the month of June.

Ed Jr. has joined the U.S. Marine Corps at Parris Island, S.C. Mike has joined the Department as a Cadet. With Mike joining the force, this makes the fourth generation of the Dunn family who has served in the Department.

**State's Attorney's Unit —** Speedy recovery to Detective Eugene C. Brukiewa recuperating at home from recent surgery. Seems like a "Closed Shop" without you — hurry back.

**Narcotic Unit —** Congratulations to Sergeant and Mrs. Joseph P. Newman on the birth of their son, Gregory S., born June 26, weighing 7 lbs. 12 oz.

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT —** Welcome back to Captain Joseph DiCarlo.

Scott Garrity, III, son of Patrolman Scott Garrity, Jr., of this District, was appointed to the Department as a Cadet on June 28.

Congratulations to Lieutenant Leslie Stickles and his lovely wife, Shirley, who will celebrate their 25th Wedding Anniversary on July 17.

**LABORATORY DIVISION—**Congratulations to Crime Lab Technician John A. Schaefer and the former Mary Sacha who were recently married.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John D. Ellis whose daughter graduated from St. Mary's College of Maryland in May.

**CENTRAL RECORDS DIVISION —** Congratulations to Principal Clerk Mildred N. Sewell who completed 25 years with the Department on June 21.

Congratulations to Cadet Francis D'Addario and the former Louise Fleck on their recent marriage.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION — Community Relations Section —** Congratulations to Sergeant Raymond Krick on his recent marriage.

**PLANNING & RESEARCH DIVISION —** Congratulations to Sergeant John J. MacGillivray who graduated on June 22 from the F. B. I. National Academy at Quantico, Virginia.

Congratulations are extended to Sergeants William Lester and Gordon Scott who were recently promoted to their new rank. We wish the best of luck to Sergeant Gordon Scott as he leaves our Division for the new assignment in the Southeastern District.

**INTERNAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION —** Congratulations to Police Agent Timothy Whitley and the former Dorothy Petr who were married on May 25.

**PUBLIC INFORMATION DIVISION—** Members of this Division wish a speedy recovery to Mrs. Carolyn B. Mazer recuperating at home following recent surgery at Sinai Hospital.

## In Memoriam

**QUEEN, FRANCIS L.,** father of Principal Clerk Mary L. Wise, Personnel Division, June 17.

**WILLIS, CLEMENT A.,** father of Patrolman William D. Willis, Southern District, June 21.

**TRACEY, ETHEL P.,** wife of Detective Sergeant Harry Tracey, retired from Criminal Investigation Division, Fugitive Unit, June 21.

**LUCIANO, CARMINE,** father-in-law of Patrolman Alfred Birck, Traffic Division, June 24.

**McCORMICK, WILLIAM L.,** father of Officer William McCormick, Western District, June 30.

**OCHS, MARTIN W.,** father of Officer Kenneth Ochs, Traffic Division, T.I.S., June 30.

**GUY, HARRY,** father-in-law of Detective Frederick Archer, Criminal Investigation Division, Property Crimes Section, July 1.

**GOODING, HARVEY C.,** brother of Keene Gooding, Store Supervisor, Evidence Control Unit, July 1.

## Final Roll Call

**JOHNSON, WILLIAM H.,** retired Patrolman from Central District, June 30.

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



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## "Fallen Heroes" Children Fund Initiated

On the evening of September 8th the citizens of Baltimore will be called upon to publicly honor the memories of those police officers and firefighters who have given their lives to protect the community which they served. Baltimore Mayor William Donald Schaefer announced at a mid-afternoon ceremony at City Hall that this late summer's day has been set aside to recognize the "Fallen Heroes" of the Baltimore community.

Mayor Schaefer appointed a committee in late spring of this year to establish a suitable tribute for those police officers and firefighters who had lost their lives in the line of duty. The committee which was headed by Jack Eddinger, Director of Public Relations for Johns Hopkins Hospital ended its two month search by developing the "Fallen Heroes" theme. This Day enables the community not only to salute their slain protectors but also to give a measure of financial aid to the children of those fallen public servants who require assistance.

Charles R. Zarfoss, retired vice president of the Chesapeake and Ohio Western Maryland Railroad, was appointed general chairman of the project. Mr. Zarfoss chairs a twenty-five member planning committee which includes representatives of the Police and Fire Departments, the Chamber of Commerce, the Variety Clubs of Baltimore, the city government, the Jaycees, the Rotary Club, the Kiwanis Club and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

During the July 6th ceremony Mayor Schaefer announced that the stage has been set for the financial portion of the salute. The planning committee has arranged for two performances of the

Emmett Kelly Circus at Memorial Stadium. Proceeds from the shows will be placed in a special trust fund which will provide financial assistance to the children of those slain officers and firefighters. Medical treatment and educational assistance for the children are the two ends to which the money will be used.

Impetus for designating the day to honor the slain members of the Police and Fire Departments was provided by the deaths of Officers Norman F. Buchman and Lorenzo A. Gray during the past year. Officer Buchman was slain on April 6, 1973 as he stopped a car on Quantico Avenue in the Northwestern section of the City. He was felled by six shots from his own service revolver. Officer Gray was shot to death on July 25, 1972 as he and a fellow Southeastern District officer attempted to apprehend two suspects wanted in connection with the hold-up of the Holiday Inn on Pulaski Highway.

Both officers are survived by small children.

In addition to the two circus performances Mayor Schaefer will be presented a memorial commemorating those members of the Police and Fire Departments who have given their lives while guarding the citizens of Baltimore.

The two public performances of the circus are scheduled for 4 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, September 8th. Initial plans for the evening also call for a musical presentation to precede the show. Tickets for the event will cost \$2 and they will be on sale in the near future.

## Department Hosts Deaf Citizens

The Baltimore Police Department recently played host to a contingent of eighty persons from the Maryland Rehabilitation Center. The group of tourists, headed by Edward T. Kilcullen, Supervisor of Services for the Deaf at the Maryland Rehabilitation Center, was comprised of citizens who had been declared medically and legally deaf. For them the visit to the Department's Headquarters was a unique and intriguing experience.

For their tour of the Department's new facility the participants were separated into several smaller groups. They were led through the Building by Detective Martin T. Colleran, Criminal Investigation Division, and Officer William H. Ault, Northern District, who communicated with the visitors through sign language. A professional interpreter also accompanied each group to aid the officers in their task of explaining the functions and services rendered by each division in the Department's overall fight against crime.

Not only were the visitors impressed by the attractiveness and beauty of the new structure but they also admired the practicality with which the Building had been laid out. During the course of their tour they were shown the Communications and Central Records Divisions, the Rooftop Heliport, the Crime Laboratory with its photographic, chemistry and firearms sections and the Police Museum in the lobby.

After their journey through the Building members of the group assembled in the fifth floor auditorium and were addressed by Public Information Director Dennis S. Hill. They were given a brief

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## Fourteen Week K-9 Training Completed

Eight police officers entered a new phase of their law enforcement careers on July 13th as they, together with their four-footed "partners," graduated from the Department's K-9 Training Academy. Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau attended the exercise and distributed certificates of completion to the eight officers who had successfully completed the fourteen week training session.

The graduating class had a definite cosmopolitan make-up. Officers who comprised the class had journeyed from as far north as Bangor, Maine and from as far south as Georgetown, Guyana, South America to participate in the Department's K-9 training sessions. Graduates and their dogs included Officers John F. Herndon and Lucky, Michael E. Miller and Sarge, John E. Simmons and Blackie, Albert J. Wilder and Duke, Wayne Lee Wyatt and Wolfe — Baltimore Police Department; Officer Robert Stutzman and Adam — Bangor Police Department; Corporal Pooran Raghuber and Jack — Guyana Police Force; Officer John B. Dockery and Moose — West Orange Police Department.



Commissioner Pomerleau congratulates Corporal Raghuber on the completion of his K-9 Training.

Following the formal exercises the officers exhibited their dogs for their families and friends. They briefly demonstrated the basic maneuvers which they and their dogs will employ in the course of their daily law enforcement duties.

The Department presently has forty-four dogs on its K-9 Unit roster. Each handler and dog has received preliminary

training in the proper procedures to be used when searching for firearms and narcotic evidence. In addition to this preliminary training the Department's K-9 teams receive two days of retraining every twenty days. This session is devoted to sharpening the working relationship between dog and master which will help perfect their performance in the field.



Refreshments followed the graduation and demonstration during which time Commissioner Pomerleau and members of the Command Staff offered their congratulations and best wishes to the officers and their families at the beginning of this new phase of their police careers.

## Department Hosts Deaf Citizens

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presentation of the Department's services and goals as a law enforcement agency. A question and answer session followed during which everyone was encouraged to participate and during which everyone who signaled a question through the deaf-mute's sign language received an answer to his inquiry. The answers were relayed to the group through the assistance of the professional interpreters who had accompanied them.

At the conclusion of their tour they acknowledged their gratefulness to all who had extended such a warm welcome to them. They especially welcomed the efforts of Detective Collieran and Officer Ault to communicate with them in their own language. They expressed their thanks by informing their Departmental guides that it was through them that they, who are often misunderstood because of their handicap, felt as though they were truly a part of Baltimore's citizenry.

## Crime Statistics

SUMMARIZATION OF INDEX CRIMES FOR THE FIRST 6 MONTHS OF 1973

TYPE OF CRIME	1973	1972	Amount of Increase or Decrease	Percent of Increase or Decrease
MURDER	127	146	— 19	— 13.0
FORCIBLE RAPE	236	244	— 8	— 3.3
ROBBERY	3743	4558	— 815	— 17.9
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	3376	3014	+ 362	+ 12.0
BURGLARY	7157	9284	— 2127	— 22.9
LARCENY	12161	14579	— 2418	— 16.6
AUTO THEFT	3475	4067	— 592	— 14.6
GRAND TOTAL	30275	35892	— 5617	— 15.6

Violent Crime\* 6.0% Decrease

Property Crime\*\* 18.4% Decrease

Total Index Crime 15.6% Decrease

## Officers Conclude Emergency Medical Training

On July 11, 1973 Sergeant Robert C. Michael, Crime Control Team 2, and Officer Timothy J. Neuman, Central District, together with sixty-three fellow graduates, successfully completed the Emergency Medical Technician course. Mayor William Donald Schaefer addressed the graduates and presented them their certificates during a mid-afternoon ceremony at City Hall.

The course which the sixty-five graduates had completed consisted of 160 hours of advanced paramedic emergency instruction. Classes for the course were conducted at the Shock-Trauma Unit of University Hospital. Instruction covered the advanced American Red Cross course. Subject material included anatomy, internal organ injuries, cardiac arrest, environmental emergencies, problems of child birth and minor surgical techniques. Class room instruction was augmented by actual bed-side patient care which was supervised by doctors of the hospital's Shock-Trauma Unit.

This type of instruction was unique as it was the first time an attempt had been made to standardize paramedic training in the State of Maryland. It also represented the first step taken to establish a state controlled Emergency Medical System which could benefit all the citizens of Maryland.



Sergeant Robert Michael and Officer Timothy Neuman display their certificates of completion with Mayor William Donald Schaefer, Fire Board President Howard R. Owens and Mrs. Charlotte Michael.

## Tactical Section Captain Retires

The Tactical Section bade farewell to its retiring Commanding Officer, Captain James J. Cockerill, on July 6, 1973 at a noon luncheon held in his honor. Captain Cockerill who had recently completed his twenty-fifth year of service with the Department was greeted at the mid-day affair by his friends and associates who offered the new retiree their congratulations and best wishes.

Captain Cockerill began his law enforcement career in December, 1947. After completing a brief training period he received his first Departmental assignment to the Vice Squad. He remained in the Vice Squad for two years before he was transferred to the Central District. After completing two years as a member of the Central District he was then assigned to the Traffic Division. During his extended assignment in the Traffic Division he was promoted to Sergeant.



Captain James J. Cockerill

In January, 1963 Sergeant Cockerill was given the task of establishing the correct operating procedures for and equipping the Department's first Emergency Vehicle Unit. Later that year his responsibilities were extended; he began to train members of the Patrol Division in the various crowd control techniques to be employed during any type of disturbance. In 1964, while performing

these duties, he was promoted to Lieutenant.

As a newly promoted Captain he attended and graduated from the Northwestern University Traffic Institute. Upon his return from the mid-west he was designated the liaison officer between the Police Commissioner and the Headquarters building contractors. After the new facility had been completed he assumed control of the Tactical Section.

Captain Cockerill was accompanied to his retirement luncheon by his wife, Ann Fay. Colonel Frank J. Serra, Chief of Patrol, presented the Captain his retirement certificate and extended the best wishes of the Department for a well-earned retirement.

## *Professional Post Scripts*

Dear Commissioner Pomerleau:

I feel it is proper to write you a letter of gratitude for giving us the Crime Control Team in our community. These men are to be congratulated for their performance in a job that is being done well.

People are coming out of their shells and meeting the officers. The wave of the hand, a smile and a friendly hello is most beautiful.

Just wish you could see this happening for there is just no way to explain in a letter the relationship that has developed between the citizens of this community and the Police Department. But there is a lot more to be done for we cannot build overnight what we have lost the past years. But it can be done. Everyone of these officers are very prompt and most willing to help and do their utmost to help everyone with problems.

Thank you Mr. Commissioner.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jane McKenrick,  
a citizen very proud of  
our Police Department.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**WESTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Officer Thomas E. Brown and his wife, Cynthia, on the birth of their son, Thomas Earl, on June 18, weighing 6 lbs. 14 oz.

A speedy recovery is wished for Mrs. Elizabeth Daniels who is recuperating at home after recent surgery.

Congratulations to Officer Lawrence Mize and the former Sandra Lee Cronan who were married on June 28.

Members of this District wish to extend sincere sympathy to Officer William McCormick on his recent loss.

**SOUTHERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Officer John Bradigan and his wife, Sharron, on the birth of their son, John Hannon, on July 2, weighing 8 lbs. 2 oz.

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — State's Attorney's Unit — Congratulations to Detective John F. Hedding and his lovely wife, Betty, on their 20th Wedding Anniversary.

**PATROL DIVISION** — Welcome aboard to Lieutenant Joseph Bolesta, recently assigned to this Division after successfully completing a course at the Northwest Institute. Glad to have you with us.

Good luck to Lieutenant John C. Schmitt on his new assignment at the Western District.

Congratulations to Valerie Marie Serra, daughter of Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs. Frank J. Serra, and Mark Reich who were married on June 30. Best wishes to the newlyweds.

**CENTRAL DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Sergeant Francis J. Coll who became a grandfather for the seventh time. His daughter, Carolyn Reyerson, gave birth to her third child, John G. Reyerson, III, on July 1.

Congratulations to Police Officer Frederick Bindeman, who received the American Legion Award for the most outstanding Policeman of the Year 1972-1973. He was presented this award on July 5 at 8:00 P. M. in the Assembly Room of the War Memorial.

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Officer and Mrs. Charles Etner on the birth of their son, Matthew Paul, on July 4.

Deepest sympathy is extended to Administrative Assistant Ruby Warner and Officer Floyd Rowzee on their recent losses.

**TACTICAL SECTION** — Congratulations to Officer Jacob Kuebel and his wife, Mary, on the birth of their daughter, Tammy Renee, on July 13, weighing 7 lbs. 6 oz.

## *In Memoriam*

**EICHELBERGER, IRVIN**, brother of Administrative Assistant Ruby Warner, Southwestern District, June 29.

**PLATO, CHARLES**, father of Clerk Typist Sandra Watters, Central Records Division, July 3.

**O'NEAL, JAMES TIMOTHY**, United States Navy, son of Officer John T. O'Neal, Communications Division, died in Vietnam on July 4, from wounds received while on duty.

**BROWN, THERESA L.**, mother of Sergeant Charles Brown, Western District, July 7.

**EDMISTER, LAURA**, mother of Officer Buford Viars, Eastern District, July 7.

**BARRY, IRA J.**, grandfather of Police Agent James A. Durner, Public Information Division, July 7.

**FORD, MARIAN R.**, widow of deceased Chief Inspector, Frederick L. Ford, July 8.

**BOEHME, GERALD T.**, brother-in-law of Detective John Greifzu, Criminal Investigation Division, Property Crimes Section, July 8.

**GERBEN, EDWARD, SR.**, father of Officer Edward Gerben, Jr., Southern District, July 9.

**HAGAN, JAMES F.**, father of Officer James D. Hagan, Northern District, July 10.

**KUDLICK, STANLEY J.**, step-father of Officer Samuel Furrow, Eastern District, July 10.

**HACKLEY, OSCAR W.**, father of Officer William M. Hackley, Northwestern District, July 10.

## Final Roll Call

**COLLINS, ELMER T.**, Sergeant retired from Police Commissioner's Office, July 8.

**KARN, WILLIAM N., SR.**, Police Officer retired from Northeastern District, July 14.

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



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## You Need To Know . . . The Audit Reports

As the result of the discovery of a small number of anomalies in the handling of property, irregularities which were indicated by the internal checks and balances of the Baltimore Police Department, both procedural and physical audits of property and reports were accomplished.

The audits by the Department of Budget and Fiscal Planning of the State of Maryland and the Department of Audits of the City of Baltimore, are condensed and reviewed below for the information of members of the Department.

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Conducted by the State of Maryland and the City of Baltimore, the audits were concerned with the handling of money which comes into the possession, from various sources, of the Baltimore Police Department.

The Performance Audit indicated that the Department had instituted controls and issued guidelines concerning the handling of money seized or recovered.

Both audit groups recognized the fact that much needed improvements in the Department's systems for handling cash were, in fact, being made. Their suggestions on additional changes and improvements, were made in the spirit of constructive cooperation.

The "cash count" by the Department of Audits of the City of Baltimore was initiated on April 26, 1973. This audit was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary. At the request of Maryland Governor, Marvin Mandel, the examination was restricted to cash activities only; i.e., the functions of receiving, storing and disposing of monies seized, found or recovered in various police

actions throughout Baltimore City.

This examination also included a review of offense reports using both a predetermined and a random test selection basis from the period January 1, 1969 through April 30, 1973.

The auditors found there was no cash evidence on hand at any of the locations outside of the Evidence Control Unit. So the long and exacting procedure of counting the money took place within the confines of the safe located in the Evidence Control Unit in the Headquarters building.

Total cash in the vault on May 2, 1973, verified by a complete physical cash count, was \$275,689.85. The physical count of all cash was completed on May 9, 1973. Monies received during the cash count were kept segregated in the vault and were not included in the inventory. The Evidence Control Unit's personnel had completed a cash count of money on hand on March 3, 1973. Their count included all envelopes which were not sealed.

Two discrepancies were noted in the auditor's count. The first involved a money envelope which should have contained \$330.00 but which actually contained \$130.00. This shortage of \$200.00 had been detected during the Evidence Con-

trol Unit's own cash count made in March, and a full investigation had been initiated prior to the audit. The case involved a 1971 gambling raid. Investigation could not determine who was responsible for the missing money.

The second deficiency involved a \$20.00 shortage in an envelope which should have contained \$43.00. This was from a 1970 lottery case. Responsibility could not be placed for this shortage either.

The audit report went into detail in explaining the various methods of handling cash which comes into the possession of the Baltimore Police Department. The examiners noted that; "While our audit was in progress, procedures for control of monies seized as evidence were strengthened considerably with the issuance of "Police Commissioner's Memorandum 37-73" dated May 25, 1973. The Evidence Control Unit now operates on an around-the-clock basis, and monies now seized are brought to the Evidence Control Unit immediately after a photographic inventory is taken. Additionally, the seizing officer must furnish detailed information to the Communications Division which now maintains a set of money logs. Lock/seal envelopes are now in use at the Evidence Control Unit and a count of all money is verified by Evidence Control Unit personnel and the seizing officer at the time the envelope is sealed."

The auditors stated: "Within the Evidence Control Unit a number of changes have been instituted which should effectively increase control over cash and substantially reduce

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## Explorer Post 9033: First Hand View Of Law Enforcement

Metropolitan police departments throughout the country, as they strive to serve their respective communities, find themselves confronted by two problems which often complicate their daily efforts to reduce crime. Both problems demand a solution before any police department can effectively reduce the crime within the community which it serves. The first requires that the department explain to as many citizens within the community as possible its policies, services and ultimate goals in order to better establish both understanding and cooperation between the community and its guardians. The second demands that police departments recruit and employ the best qualified men available to perform the difficult tasks that confront today's police officer.

On February 10, 1972 Explorer Post 9033 of the Boy Scouts of America became a reality. With the presentation of its charter Lieutenant John A. Riffin and Sergeant Charles Codd, organizers of the Law Enforcement Post, believed that they had found a partial solution to the two problems.

Sponsored by the Baltimore Police Department, the Post's main objective is to give its members an insight into the many specialties that are incorporated by modern law enforcement agencies in their fight against crime. This close look at law enforcement in general and the Baltimore Police Department in particular may be a decisive factor as each young man decides on his future and law enforcement. Post 9033's second objective is to familiarize its members with the basic organizational and administrative terminology that will enable them to more effectively understand the workings of a police agency. Through their understanding of the problems facing police officers today the organizers of Post 9033 aim to instill in each Explorer an appreciation for and understanding of the need for public cooperation in the fight against crime. As each scout's appreciation for today's law officer grows cooperation from those with whom he has daily contact, his family and friends, will also increase.

In order to accomplish their objectives it was necessary to establish strict standards for the young men seeking to become Explorers. Each applicant must be a senior high school student who is able to maintain at least a C average in his academic work. Before his acceptance to the Post he must attend two successive meetings. Once accepted as an Explorer the new member must introduce himself to his fellow Explorers during a three minute talk.

Members of the Post conduct their meetings, chaired by a captain elected from their number, on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at the Northeastern Station. During their bi-weekly assemblies the Explorers strive, through the aid of lectures about and visits to the various Units within the Department, to familiarize themselves with the Department's organization, operation and administration.

In addition, to furthering their knowledge of law enforcement, members of the Post, during the past year, have both organized and participated in a number of projects beneficial to the community in which they live. During the torrential rains of the past summer they alerted many citizens in danger from the rising water. At the height of the crisis they helped ferry several families to safety. Less dramatic activities of the Post include painting houses for those unable to paint their own, collecting papers in their own bid to clean up the environment and chaperoning handicapped youngsters during the Maryland Special Olympics.

As the Department's Law Enforcement Post concludes its second year of activity its success is now measureable. Several of its members have embarked on law enforcement careers as Cadets with the Department. As the Post grows organizers are confident that not only will the number of alumni joining the Department increase but that the knowledge gained and the interest expressed by all the Explorers will enable them to become more cooperative and conscientious citizens.

## Promotional Examination for Sergeant Set

The Civil Service Commission of Baltimore City has set Saturday September 29, 1973 as the date for competitive examination for the position of Police Sergeant.

To be qualified to take the written examination Police Officers will have to have completed at least three years of service in the Baltimore Police Department by January 1, 1974.

Applications must be filed with the Director of the Personnel Division prior to August 17, 1973.

The examination will be administered at the Baltimore Civic Center at 9:30 a. m. Members who will be taking the test will use the Hopkins Place entrance.

For the first time the Sergeant's Examination will be given at the same time to all members of the Department, both men and women who are eligible to participate.

A single graded list comprised of both male and female candidates for promotion to Police Sergeant will be developed from this examination process in accordance with recent policy established by Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau and the Civil Service Commission. The new graded list will become effective on March 29, 1974 since the current graded lists for Sergeant and Sergeant Policewomen will expire on March 28, 1974.

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## WHO IS IT ?

Mrs. Stanley Tepper, a vacationing Californian, telephonically contacted the Southern District wishing to thank the two police officers who had come to her aid as she passed through Baltimore.

Mrs. Tepper explained that on the evening of July 14th her camper became disabled on the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. Two officers, operating shop number 8723 or 8923 came to her assistance until her vehicle was repaired.

She concluded that she failed to note either the officers' names or badge numbers but did appreciate their helpfulness and consideration.

# The Audit Reports

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the time lag to final disposition."

"In our review of offense reports we found that a majority of these reports were lacking in specific details which we believe should be a part of the official report. In the more recent reports this is not as prevalent, but it must be noted that this condition does still exist."

Among the recommendations submitted by the examiners are the following:

"We recommend that each offense report relating to narcotics or gambling violations should contain a positive statement regarding money. If no money is seized this should be so stated in the report."



"Our review of offense reports was initiated in the Central Records Division at Police Headquarters. These files were substantially complete except for final case disposition. We suggest that a procedure be instituted to assure that Central Records is furnished a supplemental report which reflects final disposition in all cases."

"On gambling violations the Statute is unclear with regard to verdicts other than guilty, not guilty or dismissal of charges. Narcotics monies may be deemed as contraband regardless of the outcome in the criminal proceeding. It is recommended that the Statute be amended to require forfeiture of gambling monies deemed contraband by law, unless the final deter-

mination is a not guilty verdict or dismissal of the charge by the Grand Jury."

The conclusion of the City Auditor's report reads as follows:

"Except for the discrepancies cited herein, it is our opinion that the cash as counted on May 2, 1973, was all of the evidentiary cash for which the Evidence Control Unit was accountable.

"It is our further opinion that if the new procedures initiated within the past sixty days, along with our recommendations contained in this report, are effectively applied they should improve control over the handling of cash and afford adequate internal controls for the protection of all cash entering the system.

"We appreciate the cooperative spirit and the cordial treatment afforded us in the performance of this assignment."

The systems and procedures audit, also requested by Governor Mandel, was a performance audit of the Baltimore Police Department money property control procedures.

The comprehensive study delved into all areas of currency control. Examiners noted that "the money property control cycle can be reduced to four sequential steps - recovery, documentation, inventory control and disposition. Two distinct but closely related flows, the flow of money property and the flow of information, are integrated with this cycle. Control is maintained through a chain of custody deemed important by law enforcement officials since it establishes accountability in each step as money property flows from point of recovery by the police officer to the central custodial service activity, and to final disposition. The flow of property information is initiated by the recovering officer in the documentation step. It is manifested by the creation and distribution of field reports, arrest reports and property records."

"The Evidence Control Unit is the central custodial service organization in the police department.

This organization is responsible for safeguarding, accounting for, and disposing of non-departmental property. Disposition is concluded by return of money property to a claimant or by deposit of money with either the City or the State."



The comprehensive discussion reviewed the "Guidelines for Recovery of Money Property." The three areas included were Contraband or Personal Property Money, Narcotics or Gambling Money and Restitution of the Money to its Owner.

In the Documentation section the following areas were inspected and analyzed: Integration of Field Report and Property Records; Specific Declaration When Money Contraband is Not Recovered; Photographic Inventories of Money Property; Personal Money; Forms.

The procedures for handling money were also analyzed. Covered in the inspection were Police Commissioner's Memorandum 37-73; General Order 70-17; Article XI, Rules and Regulations; Manual of Procedures.

In their conclusion the Performance Examiners stated: "Recent modifications initiated by the Baltimore City Police Department in the procedures of processing non-departmental money property have strengthened internal control. Incorporation of recommendations set forth in this report will further improve control and procedural efficiency. Periodic operational audits should be conducted to test compliance with procedures."

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Officer Alen Brenton and his wife, Edith, on the birth of their daughter, Lisa Carol.

Best wishes to Officer Donald Sloan and the former Dorothy Tonti who were married on July 11.

Good luck to Officer James Lister who retired on July 12 after 21 years with the Department.

Deepest sympathy is extended to Officer Donald Bray on his recent loss.

Welcome aboard to Officers Frederick Koch, Ronald Krulock and John P. White, graduates from the Police Academy.

**PLANNING AND RESEARCH DIVISION** — Operational Crime Analysis Section — Welcome back to Sergeant John Kennedy, we missed you.

**NORTHERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Sergeant Donald D. Estep and his wife, Helga, on the birth of their daughter, Jenifer, on July 12, weighing 6 lbs. 14 oz.

**TACTICAL SECTION** — Congratulations to Police Officer Dennis Leager and his wife, Paula, on the birth of their son, Robert Clifton, on July 16, weighing 4 lbs. 14 oz.

Congratulations to Police Officer Alvin Winkler and his wife, Danielle, on the birth of their daughter, Kathrynne, on July 19, weighing 7 lbs. 4 oz.

Congratulations to Officer Gary Shull and his wife, Kathleen, on the birth of their daughter, Kelly Lynn on July 27th weighing 6 lbs. 13 oz.

**CENTRAL RECORDS DIVISION** — Congratulations to Officer Arnold Saboy and his wife Frances on the birth of their son, Matthew, on July 31, weighing 8 lbs. 4 oz.

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Police Officer and Mrs. Martin Gribbin on the birth of their first son, Michael Joseph, on July 23, weighing 8 lbs. 13 oz.

**CENTRAL DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Police Officer and Mrs. Paul Hoffman on the birth of their first child, Brian Shane, on July 19, weighing 9 lbs. 11 oz.

Congratulations to Police Officer and Mrs. Robert J. Bowman on the birth of their fourth daughter, Therese Maureen, on July 5, weighing 7 lbs. 3 oz.

**NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Police Officer Thomas Hall and his wife, Judy, on the birth of their first child, Deborah Dawn, on July 14, weighing 7 lbs. 14 oz.

### *In Memoriam*

**DEEMS, JAMES J.**, brother of Senior Administrative Assistant Mrs. Margaret M. McDonnell, Personnel Division, July 14.

**WHITE, CLIFTON**, cousin of Emergency Call Clerk Edgell O. Skidmore, Communications Division, July 16.

**ROACH, HENRY C.**, stepfather of Detective Melvin Neff, Criminal Investigation Division, Fugitive Unit, July 17.

**HYSER, MARY**, wife of Police Officer Harry Hyser, Jr. and mother of Police Officer Harry Hyser, 3rd., both of Southern District, July 22.

**COLLISON, EARL P.**, father of Police Officer Charles Collison, Headquarters Security, July 27.

**SUDDATH, LILLIAN**, mother of Police Officer Charles Key, Area One Crime Team, July 27.

**L'ECUYER, HILDA**, mother of Sergeant Elmer L'Ecuyer, Eastern District, July 29.

## Final Roll Call

**HOLDEN, RAYMOND A.**, Sergeant Active Duty, Personnel Division, Casual Section, July 19.

**SAVAGE, EDWIN P.**, Police Officer, retired from Traffic Division, July 19.

**McCORMICK, JOHN, SR.**, Police Officer retired from Southeastern District and father of Sergeant John McCormick, Southeastern District, July 29.

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



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## Credit Union Changes Outlined

The Municipal Employees Credit Union recently announced that its ban on "over-the-counter" deposits to members' Share Saving Accounts has been lifted. This change in the institution's operating procedures was brought about by the sharp increase in requests for loans from the Credit Union. Additional deposits are now needed to meet the increased demands for loans which the institution has recently received. This change is effective immediately.

There are, however, two stipulations in the new depositing procedures which members must adhere to when employing the new system. The first is that deposits MUST be made by check to the Credit Union. Secondly, at least \$50 must be deposited by the member on each occasion. For the member's convenience the checks may be deposited either by mail or in person.

Share holders in the Credit Union are paid dividends quarterly. These dividends equal  $6\frac{1}{4}\%$  per annum. There are no certificate type restrictions in the new plan and the check deposit will not affect the amount deducted regularly from the member's paycheck. No ceiling has been imposed on the amount of money members may save with the Credit Union.

Anyone wishing to take advantage of the new depositing system by adding to their Share Savings Account may do so by mailing their check for \$50 or more to the Municipal Employees Credit Union, 212 E. Lexington Street. Members should also include the Department and Division for whom they work and their social security number. The cancelled check will serve as their deposit receipt.

## Graduation and Commendation Ceremonies Held

Twenty Baltimore Police Officers, having completed sixteen weeks of academic, physical and practical law enforcement training, graduated from the Department's Education and Training Division. Three members of the Annapolis Police Department and four members of the Howard County Police Department also finished the same course of police instruction and joined their classmates at the graduation ceremonies conducted on Friday, August 17th.

Following the commencement address by the Honorable Robert F. Sweeney, Chief Judge of the District Court of Maryland, Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau presented the officers their certificates of graduation.



The Honorable Robert F. Sweeney delivers the commencement address to the graduates and their families.

Officer Edmund B. White, selected by his classmates as the graduate who best exhibits the qualities of a professional police officer, was awarded the Commissioner's Award of Excellence.

Prior to the commencement exercise the graduates received their assignments.

They are as follows: Central District - Officers Herbert J. Brown, John G. Cree Jr., Keith E. Lessner, Norman E. Meads, Jr., Jerome R. Wagner, Edmund B. White, Jr.; Eastern District - Officers Robert A. Decker, John W. Macken, Jr.; Northern District - Officers Leonard M. Bauer Jr., Thomas M. Russell; Northwestern District - Officers Alfred R. Allen, Lloyd W. Green, Mark T. Wiedefeld; Southeastern District - Officers Steven K. Haller, James D. Thompson, Costandeno J. Vlachos; Southern District - Officer Calvin R. Mencken, Jr.; Southwestern District - Officer Wayman C. Hemphill; Western District - Officers Bruce D. Duncan, Robert S. Stewart.

Commendation ceremonies followed the graduation exercise. Seven civilians were honored for their part in assisting law enforcement officers in the task of preserving order in the community. Seven police officers were commended for the exemplary manner in which they discharged their police duties.

### SPECIAL COMMENDATION

*The Special Commendation is awarded for a display of exceptional courage, intelligence, alertness or skill in the performance of a highly creditable and unusual police accomplishment, resulting in the prevention or solution of a crime and the arrest of those responsible.*

During an early spring afternoon Officer John F. Cullings was weaving his marked unit through the heavy afternoon traffic attempting to catch up to and assist, if need be, the officer involved in a chase. As he fought the traffic the police vehicle which he was attempting to aid was lost from sight. As he search-

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## Commendation Ceremonies Conducted

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ed the immediate area gunfire echoed from a side street. Unable to maneuver his car closer to the shots he ran to the scene. There he saw a man standing over the body of a police officer which lay in a pool of blood. After summoning an ambulance he placed the man under arrest.

### BRONZE STAR

*The Bronze Star is awarded when the circumstances involved in the police action exceed those set forth for the Regular Commendation Award, but do not fully meet the requirements of the Special Commendation.*

As he slowly cruised an east Baltimore street Lieutenant Charles J. DiPino spotted a man described in an earlier communications broadcast as wanted in connection with the armed abduction of a three year old girl. Spying Lieutenant DiPino the suspect ducked into a nearby doorway. The Southeastern District Lieutenant followed him into the dwelling, pursued him to a second floor hallway and wrested the little girl from him. The Lieutenant disarmed the subject before he could pull a revolver from his belt and effected the arrest.

Officer Donald Bray, dispatched by communications to investigate two armed men, interviewed several witnesses at the scene. As he conducted a search of the immediate area he spotted the gunmen in an auto and a brief chase ensued. As back-up units converged on the location one of the gunmen exited the vehicle and fled down an alley firing several shots at Officer Bray. Returning the fire the officer wounded the gunman. The suspect was apprehended a short distance from the scene as he collapsed from his wounds.

Summoned to a west Baltimore street for a juvenile disturbance, Officer Anthony E. Maliszewski, arriving at the scene, spied someone shooting at a pedestrian trapping him on the sidewalk. The Western District officer reacted quickly. Shielding the wounded victim from the gunman's fire he carried him

to his vehicle and transported him to safety. He immediately returned to the location of the shooting and entered the building from where the gunfire had come. Confronting the gunman the officer disarmed him and placed him under arrest.

As he answered a call for a domestic quarrel Northwestern District Officer James Butts found himself confronting an emotionally disturbed husband holding his family at bay with a butcher knife. Threatening to kill him the man approached the officer who reassured the man that no one would harm him. Having calmed the man and having gained his confidence Officer Butts then disarmed him before anyone could be hurt.

Someone had to climb the scaffolding and lead the young lady perched on the church belfry ledge to the safety of the sidewalk below. Southeastern District Officers John P. Grosskopf and Thomas G. Gaither sized up the situation and immediately began to ascend the scaffolding. With the pavement sixty feet below the scaffolding abruptly ended leaving the young woman twenty feet from the officers' grasp. They inched across a flimsy plank separating them from two ladders which led to the young woman's dangerous perch. After calming her down the two officers then led her to safety.



Class Valedictorian, James D. Thompson, addresses the assembly.

During the reception which followed the ceremonies Commissioner Pomerleau and members of the Command Staff greeted the graduates and those commended and extended their congratulations to all on their achievement.

## Helicopter Unit Praised

Members of the Baltimore Police Department are well aware of the Helicopter Unit's invaluable contribution to the Department's effort to prevent crime. Foxtro's rapid response to, and careful observation of, a crime scene often results in arrests which otherwise might not have been quickly effected.

The following letter from Sergeant George W. Colvin of the Eastern District underscores Foxtro's contributions in just one area. The letter is reprinted below: Sir:

The men in my squad wish to convey their gratitude to the Helicopter Unit (Foxtro) for the assistance that Unit has given us in assisting investigations and effecting apprehensions during the period from May 27, 1973 through and including July 5, 1973. Foxtro helped us to effect the following arrests:

June 1973, 800 block North Haven Street, Boxcar Burglary, seven arrests.  
June 1973, 800 block North Haven Street, Trespassing, five arrests.  
June 1973, 800 block North Haven Street, Boxcar Burglary, four arrests.  
June 1973, 800 block North Haven Street, Trespassing, four arrests.  
July 1973, 900 block Edison Highway, Assault, one arrest.

The above list of incidents does not include the many times we have called upon the Helicopter Unit to help us search an area or to assist us in other ways.

A recap of activities for a period of just slightly over one month shows that the Helicopter Unit has helped my squad make a total of eleven felony arrests and ten misdemeanor arrests (twenty-one arrests total) and helped us to clear and close a total of five cases.

A hearty thanks is extended from my men to the men of the Helicopter Unit. My own personal feelings are that these men deserve some sort of Special Commendation or recognition. They have really proven their value, especially to me and to my men.

Respectfully,  
George W. Colvin  
Sergeant  
Sector III  
Eastern District

## Memorial Fund Progressing

As the two scheduled performances of the Emmett Kelly Circus draw near sales for the benefit shows are progressing.

The September 8th performances which will be staged at Memorial Stadium will cap off a day dedicated to the memory of those police officers and firefighters who have lost their lives while discharging their duties to the community. Proceeds from the circus performances will be placed in a special trust fund which will provide a measure of financial assistance to the children of those slain public guardians who require it. Specifically, the money raised will be used for medical treatment and educational assistance for the children.

The idea to dedicate a day to the memory of the slain police officers and firefighters became reality in late spring as Baltimore Mayor William Donald Schaefer appointed a committee to prepare a suitable tribute to honor these men. The deaths of Officers Norman F. Buchman and Lorenzo A. Gray during the past year provided the impetus for establishing the "Fallen Heroes" Day. The day of tribute will also include the presentation of a plaque to Mayor Schaefer dedicated to the memory of the slain public guardians.

The Department participating in the sale of tickets has set a fifteen thousand ticket goal for itself. Members of the Department have sold more than 7400 tickets for the two performances. The various Districts and Divisions in the order of their present ticket sales are listed as follows: Traffic Division - 1088; Southwestern District - 922; Northwestern District - 744; Southeastern District - 743; Northern District - 708; Tactical Section - 506; Northeastern District - 502; Eastern District - 485; Criminal Investigation Division - 484; Western District - 362; Southern District - 347; Central District - 293; Community Services Division - 245; Crime Control Team #1 - 40.

The two public performances of the circus are scheduled for 4 and 7:30 p.m., Saturday, September 8th. Tickets for either show cost \$2 and may be obtained at any district or division.

## Hamilton American Legion Salutes Northern District Officer

The American Legion Auxiliary, Hamilton Post #20, recently saluted Police Officer Joan R. Barnard for her outstanding police work during the past year. The Northern District Officer was honored following the Post's Officer-Installation Dinner at their Richard Avenue hall.



Officer Joan Barnard displays the award presented her by the American Legion.

A fourteen year veteran of the Department, Officer Barnard's law enforcement career began in the Detective Bureau. Her investigative duties varied

as she took part in gambling and narcotic raids and investigated sex offenses.

Officer Barnard was cited by the Legion for two particular instances of exemplary police work in the Northern District during the past year. While investigating the disappearance of a 12 year old youth she uncovered a forty-one year old suspect who was later charged with eleven counts of sexual assault. Her investigative difficulties in the case were compounded by the uncooperativeness of the witnesses and the reluctance of the victims to detail the crime committed against them.

Later during the year Officer Barnard was instrumental in arresting a juvenile suspect wanted in connection with several serious assaults on women living in the Northern District.

For her attention to duty and concern for her fellow citizens, Officer Barnard was presented an engraved plaque commemorating the occasion. She accepted the award with the best wishes of her Commanding Officer, Captain Robert L. Larkin and her husband, Officer John Barnard.

## Birmingham Police Athletic Team to Contest Boys' Club Nine

Ten police athletic teams from Birmingham, Alabama waged a mid-summer baseball tournament to decide which of its number would travel north to play the Baltimore Police Department's Boys' Clubs' best nine. On July 24th the issue was settled as the Collegeville nine won their fourth consecutive Birmingham baseball championship.

The Birmingham Police Department, in conjunction with the Birmingham Community Affairs Committee, began its athletic program in 1969. Since its beginning four years ago the Birmingham Police Department has supplied volunteer coordinators to supervise and coach the youngsters participating in the program. The Birmingham Police

Department has also assumed financial responsibility for the youth program.

As its Baltimore counterpart, the Birmingham Police athletic league has functioned as the center of activity for many inner-city Birmingham youngsters.

The Birmingham team, which has made similar trips to New York, Atlanta and Houston was accompanied to Baltimore by its volunteer police coordinators and Birmingham Mayor George G. Seibels. During their brief stay in Baltimore the team and its chaperones were given a tour of the Department's Headquarters Building. The group also planned a brief stop-over in Washington, D.C. before their return journey to Alabama.

The Alabamians and their Baltimore counterparts squared off at Memorial Stadium prior to the regularly scheduled Oriole game on August 20th with the Southwestern Boys' Club Nine prevailing 6 to 1.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**TRAFFIC DIVISION — Administrative Unit —** Congratulations to Sergeant John Stocker, Police Officers Samuel Teague, William Spradbrow, Herman Heidel, William Shanahan and William Cromer who celebrated their 20th anniversaries with the Department on August 6, 1973.

Good luck to Sergeant Manuel Lopes who retired on August 9, after 26 years of service.

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Police Officers Joseph Sullivan and Otto Coruzzi on their recent losses.

**PLANNING AND RESEARCH DIVISION — Traffic Analysis Section —** Good luck to Police Officer James H. Stefan who on August 15 retired after twenty-six years with the Department. He will be missed by all of his co-workers.

**NORTHERN DISTRICT —** Congratulations to Police Officer Gregory Styles and the former Gretchen Shorter, who were married on June 9.

**PROPERTY DIVISION —** Best wishes to Officer Teddy Ozarowski who retired recently after 20 years of service with the Department. May he enjoy many Polish holidays in good health.

The very best to Sergeant George W. Hocheder, Quartermaster, who retired and immediately left for Germany for a well earned vacation.

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT —** Congratulations to Police Officer Harold

Simms and his wife, Christine, on the birth of their son, on July 31.

Good bye and good luck to Police Officer Stanley "Hoss" Budny who retired from the Department on August 8 after twenty-five years of service.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION — Community Relations Section —** Congratulations to Sergeant Ronald L. Billingsley, who has been accepted to attend the Traffic Institute, Northwestern University. He will commence his training in the Traffic Police Administration Training Program on September 13, 1973.

**EASTERN DISTRICT —** Congratulations to retired Sergeant and Mrs. Edward Bees who will be celebrating their "Golden Wedding" anniversary on September 18. They are planning a 14 day cruise from Los Angeles to various ports along the Mexican Coast. Best of luck and bon voyage to the happy couple.

**SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT —** Congratulations to Police Officer Robert H. Greene, and his wife, Jacquelyn, on the birth of their son, Robert H. Greene, III, on June 22, weighing 7 lbs. 8 oz.

Best wishes to Police Officer James Wheeler and his wife, Valarie, on their recent marriage.

Best wishes to Police Officer John Foertschbeck and the former Lynda D. Miller who were married on July 15.

We extend deepest sympathy to Sergeant John McCormick and to Police Officers Calvin McCleese, Aub-

rey Duval, William Bolesta and Charles Hinchon on their recent losses.

Congratulations to Police Officer Bernard Profili, Property Division, and to School Crossing Guard Stella Profili, Southeastern District, on the marriage of their son, Dennis C. Profili to the former Deborah Liston.

## *In Memoriam*

**WALSTON, RACHEL**, mother of Curtis Jones, Hostler, Mounted Section of the Traffic Division, July 31.

**CORUZZI, MARY**, mother of Police Officer Otto Coruzzi, Traffic Division, August 2.

**HINCHEN, CHARLES ARTHUR, SR.**, father of Police Officer Charles A. Hinchon, Jr., Southeastern District, August 3.

**VOELKER, JOSEPH G.**, grandfather of Cadet Daniel J. Shanahan, Communications Division, August 7.

**BOLESTA, JOSEPH R., SR.**, father of Lieutenant Joseph Bolesta, Jr., Chief of Patrol's Office and Police Officer William Bolesta, Southeastern District, August 9.

**BOCKLAGE, DOROTHY**, mother-in-law of Police Officer Fred Wroblewski, Southeastern District, August 9.

**WORSHAM, CYNTHIA**, sister of Police Officer Aubrey Duval, Southeastern District, and Police Officer Richard Duval, Central District, August 10.

**SULLIVAN, FREIDA**, mother of Police Officer Joseph Sullivan, Traffic Division, Traffic Investigation Section, August 13.



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## Captain Dennis Mello Retires

Captain Dennis P. Mello, the first black officer of the Baltimore Police Department to ascend to the rank of Captain, announced his retirement from the Department. With his retirement which became effective August 25th Captain Mello, who had most recently served in the Criminal Investigation Division, ended more than twenty-nine years of public service with the Department.



Captain Dennis P. Mello

Captain Mello began his law enforcement career in April, 1944. During the course of his first two years as a police officer he divided his time between the Northwestern District, his first assignment, and Headquarters. His hours spent at Headquarters were devoted primarily to the City's youth. In 1951 Officer Mello, who had earlier returned to the Northwestern District to help staff their Boy's Club, was transferred

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## Blood Assurance Program . . . *Who Needs It!*

*A newborn baby needs a whole new blood supply. . . a sick child longs to run and play again. . . an accident victim is bleeding excessively. . . a young mother has been badly burned. . . an elderly person undergoes delicate surgery.*

Since April, 1971 members of the Baltimore Police Department have actively participated in the Blood Assurance Program of the Baltimore Chapter of the American Red Cross. Through this plan participating members are assured that their blood needs and those of their immediate family will be met in any health crisis. All that is required of the program's members is that 20% of their number donate blood annually.

During the past two and one-half years the Red Cross has supplied more than 1,600 pints of blood to satisfy the needs of Departmental members and their families. For their part, donors have contributed more than 800 pints of blood annually to the program. Completely covered by the donor's participation in the program are his spouse, dependent children, father and mother and father-in-law and mother-in-law.

Donors often express concern as to what use their blood is put. The following paragraphs trace briefly the blood's flow from the donor's arm to the recipient.

Each day the Red Cross collects blood at either its mobile blood bank facilities or its St. Paul Street center. It packages the separately collected pints of blood into multiple packets. These packets are then taken to the Red Cross laboratory where the blood is examined and separated into its various components.

A single pint of blood can, with its life supporting components, save as many as four lives. The red cells are first separated from the plasma. These

are used either for transfusions after surgery or for the treatment of persons suffering various anemias. The platelets are also separated from the plasma. These minute, flat organisms, whose life span is only 24 hours, act as a clotting agent. They are used to treat patients who suffer from leukemia. The remaining portion of plasma is then frozen. When needed, it can be thawed and the anti-hemophilic factor that it contains can be extracted. This factor acts as a clotting agent and is employed to treat patients who suffer from Hemophilia. The remaining plasma is then made into medicines such as gamma globulin which is used to prevent serious infections caused by measles and hepatitis.

Blood donations which take only ten minutes to complete are vitally needed at all times. The Red Cross, however, has a very special need for donors on Saturday mornings. Baltimore area hospitals treating leukemia patients require a large supply of the short-lived platelets to be used in the Sunday treatment of these patients.

Members of the Department's program are, therefore, asked to donate the ten minutes of their time which a donation of their life-giving liquid takes at the Red Cross Blood Center on Saturday mornings between 9:00 and 11:45 A. M. The Center is located at the corner of St. Paul and 23rd. Streets. Donors are reminded that visits to the Center must be made by appointment.

For additional information concerning the Department's Blood Assurance Program, contact Captain William F. Rochford on extension 2569.

## Northwestern District Salutes Fallen Officer

His Northwestern District colleagues had not forgotten the many contributions Norman F. Buchman had made to their individual lives during the three years he had served with them in the



District. Following his death in April they sought a fitting tribute to honor the memory of a man who had so often

gone out of his way to befriend his fellow officers. They decided to commission an artist to paint his portrait which would, when completed, be presented to his family. Northwestern District Officer Leonard Wheatley contacted Mr. Pedro E. Lopez who offered to complete an oil painting of Officer Buchman for only the cost of the materials.

On Tuesday, August 28th Captain Theodore I. Weintraub, Officer Buchman's Commanding Officer, unveiled the completed portrait before his widow, Cheryl, and his mother, Edith. During the ceremony which took place before the men who had served most closely with him before his death Captain Weintraub briefly eulogized the slain officer. Also attending the presentation were Lieutenant Colonel Frank J. Serra, Chief of Patrol, and Major Clarence E. Roy, Deputy Chief, Area II.

A reproduction of the portrait done by Mr. Lopez was placed over the shield erected in his honor at the Northwestern Stationhouse.

## Twenty-Nine Years Of Service Ended

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to the State's Attorney's Office as an investigator.

By September, 1957 Officer Mello had been promoted to Sergeant and was again assigned to the Northwestern District. The following year he joined the Rackets Division.

On June 20, 1963 Lieutenant Mello became the first black Lieutenant in the Department's history. His promotion to Lieutenant brought with it reassignment to the State's Attorney's Office.

In 1965 his name again entered the Department's history book as he became the Baltimore Police Department's first black Captain. As Captain he commanded the Western District until he was reassigned to the Criminal Investigation Division in June, 1973.

Throughout his twenty-nine year law enforcement career Captain Mello was frequently praised by Baltimore's citizens for his genuine concern for their

needs. As recently as March of this year Captain Mello exhibited this concern for his fellowman during an incident in his district. Captain Mello received word that a twenty-five year old woman had barricaded herself in an upstairs bedroom and was holding her two young children at gunpoint. She threatened to take their lives and to shoot anyone attempting to rescue them. Captain Mello, after arriving on the scene, talked to the distraught woman in an attempt to gain her confidence. After reassuring her he entered the house and in a few minutes emerged from the house with the woman in tow as the frightened children were being safely escorted from the house by their grandfather. Through his unselfish action, with his personal safety in jeopardy, Captain Mello had averted certain tragedy.

As he enters retirement Captain Mello takes with him the best wishes of the Department and of the people who have both known him personally or have worked for him.

## Seventeen Promotions Announced

On Monday, August 27, 1973 Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau awarded Certificates of Promotion to five new Lieutenants and twelve new Sergeants. The ceremonies were conducted in the Headquarters auditorium. A brief reception in the fifth floor Canteen followed during which Commissioner Pomerleau greeted the newly promoted officers and their families who had also attended the ceremonies.

The five new Lieutenants and their assignments are as follows:

Joseph H. Cooke, Jr. — Northern District

James W. Madigan — Central District

Victor F. Kessler — Northwestern District

Eugene M. O'Hara — Administrative Bureau

Richard G. Francis — Southern District

The twelve new Sergeants and their assignments are as follows:

Donald A. Kent — Southeastern District

Peter S. Legambi — Communications Division

Albert L. Chaney, Jr. — Office of Chief of Patrol

William A. Robbins, III — Southern District

Martin J. Johnson — Central District

William F. Guizzardi — Southwestern District.

Edward U. Chaney — Western District

Paul L. Fairbanks — Criminal Investigation Division

Charles V. Fertitta, Jr. — Tactical Section

Barry L. Brooks — Northern District

Robert L. Dean, Jr. — Southern District

Llewellyn M. Dykes, III — Internal Investigation Division

## "Fallen Heroes" Day Proclaimed

Baltimore Mayor William Donald Schaefer officially proclaimed September 8th as "Fallen Heroes Day." Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau was also present during the City Hall ceremonies which marked the first time such a day honoring Baltimore's slain public guardians had been proclaimed.

The proclamation calls upon the citizens of Baltimore to publicly honor the memories of those police officers and fire-fighters who have given their lives in service to the community. Since 1870 seventy-five Baltimore Police Officers have lost their lives while performing their official duties.

Capping off the day's activities will be two performances of the Emmett

Kelly Circus. The two Memorial Stadium shows will benefit the children of the slain officers. Specifically, the shows' proceeds will be placed in a special trust fund which will provide a measure of financial assistance for the medical and educational needs of the children.

Volunteers to assist in handling the expected turnout are still needed. Any off-duty officer or school crossing guard wishing to volunteer may do so by submitting his name to the office of the Chief of Community Services Division on extension 2615. Standby volunteers are also needed for the rain date, Sunday, September 9th. Times for the two scheduled performances are set at 4 and 7:30 p.m.

## Procedural Change Outlined

Baltimore Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau has issued a memorandum to all sworn Departmental personnel outlining the procedures to be employed during the execution of a search and seizure warrant. Memorandum 69-73 defines the Department's policy regarding the photographic inspection of the premises searched.

Commanding officers will have access to the photographic equipment to be used by their subordinates during the execution of the warrant. District commanders also assume responsibility for the care of the equipment. They will also maintain a log to insure the proper use of the photographic instruments.

The execution of a particular search and seizure warrant will be conducted under the supervision of a lieutenant or a sergeant. As in the past the supervisor of the raiding party assumes overall responsibility for the conduct of the raid and the completion of the appropriate field reports.

The supervisor's report must, in addition to containing the information included in the warrant itself, include a description of the conduct employed during the course of the raid. Enumerated in his report should be the raiding party's attempts to gain entrance by knocking if such is the case. If, however, during the service of the warrant a door must be broken down this fact must be stated in the report. The supervisor must also detail the areas searched and the evidence found and confiscated during the raid.

An itemized account of the photographs taken prior to and after the premises have been searched will also be included in the supervisor's report. These photographs will reflect the areas searched during the raid. Pertinent information including the warrant number, the date and the time of the warrant's execution, the location of the raid and the photograph number must be included on the individual photographs. In the event that forcible entry must be made during the raid the supervisor will insure that photographs of the forced point of entry are taken.

## Some Tips For Bicycle Safety

America's bicyclists, both young and old, have taken to the nation's roads in ever increasing numbers. According to the Bicycle Institute of America more than eighty-five million Americans ride bicycles. As their number has increased so have the possibilities that they may become involved in a serious accident. Many of these collisions can be prevented if both the motorist and cyclist carefully observe the fundamental rules of the road.

With the opening of a new school year the bicycle will become for many youngsters their chief means of transportation to and from school. The following tips for bicycle safety, suggested by the Bicycle Institute of America, are outlined below so that cyclists of all ages may enjoy their two-wheeled trip.

1. *Obey all signs, signals and markings.* Bicycles are subject to the same rules of vehicular traffic as automobiles and trucks. A good rule of thumb is to avoid congested streets and use roads less travelled by automobile traffic.
2. *Keep right; drive with the traffic not against it. Drive single file.* Keep as close to the curb as practical. Drive single file. When driving two abreast, a minor swerve could force you into traffic.
3. *Watch out for soft shoulders, grates and road surface hazards.*

4. *Watch out for car doors opening or for cars pulling into traffic.*
5. *Don't carry passengers or packages that interfere with your vision or control of the bicycle.* Use baskets or luggage carriers for packages.
6. *Never hitch a ride on a truck or other vehicle.*
7. *Be extremely careful at intersections especially when making a left turn.* Most accidents occur at intersections. If traffic is heavy get off and walk your bike with pedestrian traffic.
8. *Use hand signals to indicate turning or stopping.* Let the motorist know what you plan to do by giving the appropriate hand signals for turning left or right, or for stopping.
9. *Protect yourself at night with the required red reflectors and lights.*
10. *Drive a safe bike. Have it inspected to insure good mechanical condition.* See to it that brakes, pedals, lights, reflectors, shifting mechanisms, sounding devices, tires, spokes, saddle, handlebars, and all nuts and bolts are checked regularly.
11. *Drive your bike defensively; watch out for the other guy.* Observe the car in front of you, and the one in front of him. Leave yourself room and time to take defensive action.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**CENTRAL DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Police Officer and Mrs. Richard Brechtel on the birth of their son, Richard J., on August 12, weighing 7 lbs. 6 oz.

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — Homicide Unit — Congratulations to Police Officer Ronald Lamartina and his wife, Sandy, on the birth of their son, Brian Charles, on August 16, weighing 6 lbs. 13 oz.

Best wishes to Detective Harold Rose who is retiring after 20 years of service with the Department.

Congratulations to Sergeant Paul Fairbanks on his recent promotion.

**TRAFFIC DIVISION** — A "job-well-done" to Officer Charles Rummel who recently served as Deputy Chief of Traffic Control at the 1973 Boy Scout Jamboree-East. During his stay he helped guide more than 90,000 visitors through the site.

"HATS OFF" to retired Officer August Munk who saved the life of a four year old boy who fell off a fishing dock in Port Richie, Florida. Fully-clothed Officer Munk jumped into the water, located the boy and brought him to the surface. The boy was revived and through Officer Munk's quick action his life saved.

**EDUCATION & TRAINING DIVISION** — K-9 Unit — Officer Instructor John Huemmer is now home after a short stay in the hospital. We all wish Officer Huemmer a speedy recovery.

**SOUTHERN DISTRICT** — Welcome aboard to the newly promoted personnel, Lieutenant Richard Francis and Sergeants William Robbins and Robert Dean. Farewell and best wishes to Lieutenants Joseph Cooke and James Madigan on their recent promotions and reassignments.

**NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations and good luck to Sergeants Donald Kent and Charles Ferritta on their new assignments.

**NORTHERN DISTRICT** — Best wishes for a well-earned retirement to Sergeant Otis Hopper who is leaving the Department after twenty-five years of service.

Welcome aboard to Lieutenant Joseph Cooke and Sergeant Barry Brooks.

## Final Roll Call

**HARVEY, GEORGE A.**, Police Officer, retired from Central District, July 31.

**CAPERS, NORMA V.**, School Crossing Guard, Southern District, August 11.

**SMITH, GEORGE T.**, Police Officer, retired from Southern District, August 18.

**ADAMS, CHARLES**, Police Officer, retired from the Southern District, August 31.

## In Memoriam

**McKENZIE, JOHN W.**, brother of Police Officer Charles McKenzie, Traffic Division, August 13.

**WHITE, PHILLIP L.**, son of School Crossing Guard Bernie White, Central District, August 14.

**ZEMAN, FRANK J.**, father of Police Officer Joseph Zeman, Community Services Division, August 14.

**TORRES, PEDRO**, father of Sergeant Salvatore Torres, Southern District, August 17.

**NALLS, HOWARD M.**, father-in-law of Lieutenant Leslie Stickles, Sr., Southwestern District, and grandfather of Police Officer Leslie Stickles, Jr., Northwestern District, August 18.

**SCHAMMEL, EDWARD**, nephew of Emergency Call Clerk William Wiedermann, Communications Division, August 22.

**BRENNEMAN, LUTHER**, father-in-law of Police Officer Nicholas Stein, Eastern District, August 22.

**BROWN, THOMAS N.**, uncle of Principle Clerk Flora Young, Criminal Investigation Division, Property Crimes Section, August 24.

**BOYD, JOHN K.**, brother of Police Officer George Boyd, Southern District, August 26.

**GUERRASIO, JOSEPH J.**, step-father of Police Officer Lawrence Mize, Western District, September 2.

**MEILLER, MABEL E.**, grandmother of Lieutenant James Gorsuch, Criminal Investigation Division, and Police Officer Joseph Meiller, Northwestern District and great-grandmother of Police Officer Joseph Gorsuch, September 2.



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# NEWSLETTER

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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

September 19, 1973

## Police Officer Ambushed

In early September it begins getting dark a little bit after 7:30 p.m. and by 8:00 o'clock the shadows have lengthened and night-time begins to shroud many of the daylight forms of the city.

The woods in Cylburn Park were out-lines in the headlights as Northern District Officer Thomas Whalen drove slowly up the narrow roadway which leads through the woods to Greenspring Avenue. Just as the homes, which sit across the street from the park, came into view Officer Whalen heard someone shout, "Hey Officer, wait a minute!" Thinking that someone needed assistance he backed partially off the roadway and was approached by two men.



Thomas E. Whalen

As he turned toward the window to speak to the man approaching from the drivers side Officer Whalen perceived a handgun being pushed into his face. In the instant it took the suspect to fire the weapon Officer Whalen, in the confining area of the driver's seat, was able to jerk his head back and slightly to the side, a move which undoubtedly saved his life.

The bullet struck him just over the bridge of the nose and exited near the right temple. Officer Whalen immediately took additional evasive action, to avoid further injury, by rolling out of the patrol car, across the roadway and into a grassy area. In the dark, and away from the lights of his vehicle he fired a shot, then made his way back to the car where he radioed for assistance.

Northern District Officer Clyde Andrews was walking his footpost in the 4900 block Poe Avenue when he heard, on his handi-talkie, calls for assistance in the woods of Cylburn Park. He flagged down a passing taxi cab and arrived at the scene to find his fellow officer, bleeding from the grave head-wound. The cab driver transported Officer Whalen to Sinai Hospital just a few blocks away. Officer Andrews began the follow up work immediately.

Within moments after the shooting units from the Northern, Northwestern, and Western Districts, the Tactical Unit and the Criminal Investigation Division began arriving at the scene. The entire park area was encircled by police cars. Airmen from the Helicopter Unit flew overhead lighting the thick underbrush so that teams of searchers could move through the woods in search of suspects. K-9 units, who responded, assisted in a thorough search. Unfortunately the suspects were not located.

Officer Whalen, meanwhile, had walked into the Emergency Room at Sinai Hospital. Doctors on the staff immediately set to work attempting to assess the damage caused by the head-wound. X-ray tracked the path of the bullet from its entrance point, through the area of the right eye and out through the side of

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## Letter Bombs: A Growing Threat

A new type of International Terrorist Tactic has made headlines around the world with waves of explosive Letter Bombs that have been mailed to Israeli Diplomats and American and British Officials.

In the first wave of Letter Bombs in January, 1972, dozens of Letter Bombs were mailed to Israel from Czechoslovakia, Austria, Switzerland and Yugoslavia. The second wave of at least sixty-four (64) Letter Bombs in September and early October, 1972 were delivered through the international mails to persons in various cities: Jerusalem, London, New York, Montreal, Paris and Geneva. The second wave of Letter Bombs were mailed from Amsterdam. The series of Letter Bombs resulted in the death of an Israeli Agricultural Attache in London and injury to a postal employee in New York City.

The assumption is, and there is evidence to support this, that the Arab-backed Black September group, which staged the Munich massacre, was responsible for the Amsterdam Letter Bombs.

The Black September group did not invent the Letter Bomb, that dubious distinction belongs to a Swede, who killed himself in a London prison in 1910. But the Arab Terrorists perfected the death by mail device, apparently with technical assistance from East Germany and Czechoslovakia Intelligence Agents.

A third wave of Letter Bombs occurred in late October of 1972, when Letter Bombs were discovered in Israel addressed to President Richard M. Nixon, Secretary of State William P. Rogers and Defense Secretary Melvin

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## Northern District Officer Wounded

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the head. Smashed bone surrounded the exit wound. Specialists worked through the night determining what damage had been caused and what treatment would be necessary. Finally, the most difficult decision was made after careful study and evaluation; doctors were compelled to remove the severely damaged eye.

Throughout the evening Officer Whalen remained conscious. Even while being treated in the emergency room he saw and sometimes spoke briefly with his fellow officers. Later, as the doctors and surgeons worked the Police Commissioner visited, spoke with the officer's wife and the surgeons. Other members of the Command Staff had begun arriving at the hospital earlier in the evening, and there was an almost constant stream of concerned visitors rendering all assistance possible even when moral support was the most that could be offered.

After the surgery the Police Commissioner paid another visit. As he pinned on the Medal of Valor he noted that Officer Whalen was well along the road to recovery even to the point of discussing a planned vacation trip West. The conversation turned to future plans and discussion of getting out of the hospital.

The doctors released him on Friday, September 7, and Officer Whalen returned home to surroundings both friendly and familiar and very far removed from that road in the woods of Cylburn Park.

## City Fair Volunteers Needed

Any parent who has ever chaperoned a group of youngsters at an outing, be it a carnival, ball game or zoo, finds himself continually counting his charges lest one become lost. With luck most parents return home with the same group they brought to the outing.

To insure that City-Fairgoers locate their lost children, the Department will

## Recruitment: A New Approach

In its daily effort to fill the Department's growing manpower needs the Recruitment Unit employs a number of techniques to attract young people to a law enforcement career. Their tools for seeking out and convincing young people that a law enforcement career is worthwhile include spot radio announcements, visits to area high schools, college campuses and military installations and advertisements in local newspapers.

During the past month they have added a new approach to their recruiting program. Through the cooperation of Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, Baltimore Mayor William Donald Schaefer and Housing Commissioner Robert C. Embry, Jr., a pilot recruiting program in several housing projects was undertaken.

During the program which was carried out during the past month Recruitment personnel set up shop in the manager's office of each project visited. By displaying their literature and speaking to those who entered the office area the recruiters guaranteed themselves that they would meet the greatest number of people possible. The projects visited included the Lexington and Murphy Homes, the Lafayette and Flag House Projects and Cherry Hill Homes.

Through this unique approach to recruiting the officers who participated in the program hoped not only to help meet the Department's manpower needs but also to explain the responsibilities of a police officer and the services rendered by the Department to a large segment of the community.

again operate a "Lost Children's Booth." Volunteers are needed, however, to man the blue and white booth. Any School Crossing Guard who wishes to assist in the temporary handling of any lost youngsters is requested to contact the Community Services Division, Mrs. Joyce Pettiford, 539-4626.

The dates and times of the three day event to be staged in the Inner Harbor Area are: Friday, September 21, 12 Noon to 10 p.m., Saturday, September 22, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday, September 23, 12 Noon to 10 p.m.

## A Growing Threat

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R. Laird. In this wave of Letter Bombs, two exploded in Beirut injuring eight (8) persons.

The actual Letter Bombs that have been sent through the International Postal Systems, are stiffer than normal and possess rigidity and weight which helps to render them detectable through a mail room screening process. The Letter Bombs consist of approximately two ounces of plastic explosive, with a pencil shaped fuze at the center of the explosive.

Letter Bombs are classified as "booby traps," in that normally the letter has to be opened in order for the device to function.

The present wave of Letter Bombs has been directed at the British Embassy in Washington and other British offices throughout the world. The most recent devices have been attributed by Scotland Yard to the Irish Republican Army. There have been more than twenty devices uncovered in the United Kingdom. These Letter Bombs as well as those received prior to the present terror campaign are the "booby trap" type.

The Tactical Section's Emergency Vehicle Unit has developed a systems approach for detection, recognition and identification of the Letter Bombs and all the personnel of the unit, have been trained in proper "render safe" procedures for these devices.

The personnel of the Emergency Vehicle Unit have been instrumental in developing equipment and tools utilized by this Department and other departments in deactivating the Letter Bombs.

Various members of the Department have received instruction in the identification of possible explosive devices which could be delivered in the mail and have been instructed in the proper procedures to be followed if an emergency should arise.

The key to this training approach is that if a letter or package arrives, and it looks suspicious do not handle it. Notify a supervisor immediately or telephone the Emergency Vehicle Unit, clear the immediate area and wait for the experts to ascertain the contents of the suspicious package.

# "Fallen Heroes" Circus Conducted

The clowns shuffled along the cinder path and performed their usual antics as they led their fellow performers past the Memorial Stadium crowd onto the infield portion of the baseball diamond. The drum and bugle corps stepped smartly as they accompanied the circus troupe into the Stadium tipping off the late afternoon and early evening performances of the Emmett Kelly Circus. This late summer's eve presented Baltimore's citizenry its first opportunity to publicly honor the memories of those Baltimore Police Officers and Firefighters who had lost their lives while performing their sworn duties.

On hand to participate in this first "Fallen Heroes" Day were Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau and Baltimore Mayor William Donald Schaefer. During ceremonies which preceded the circus performances Commissioner Pomerleau and Mayor Schaefer were presented a plaque commemorating the memories of the police officers killed in the line of duty. Mr. C. R. Zarfoss, chairman of the day's events, made the presentation.



Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau and Mayor William Donald Schaefer accept the "Fallen Heroes" plaque from Mr. C. R. Zarfoss, chairman of the "Fallen Heroes" committee.

September 8th had been officially proclaimed "Fallen Heroes" Day earlier this month. Plans for the day, however, had been materializing throughout the summer months. Members of the organizing committee headed by Mr. Zarfoss were searching for a suitable tribute to those who had given their lives in service to the community. The deaths of Officers Norman F. Buchman and Lorenzo A.

Gray during the past year gave the organizers added impetus in their efforts to honor the city's slain public guardians.



Proceeds from the two performances of the Emmett Kelly Circus have been placed in a special trust fund set aside to meet the financial needs of the children of the slain officers and firefighters. Specifically these funds will be used for the medical treatment and educational assistance for the children.



Participating in the sale of tickets, members of the Department sold more than 14,800 tickets, collecting more than \$29,000 for their efforts. As the final ticket sales' figures were being tabulated members of the Traffic Division, who sold 1769 tickets, emerged as the Department's top salesmen. Runner-up to the Traffic Division were members of the Western District who sold 1416 tickets. The remaining districts and divisions are listed in the order of their ticket

sales: Central District - 1179; Southeastern District - 1163; Northwestern District - 1132; Tactical Section - 1018; Southwestern District - 1007; Northern District - 974; Criminal Investigation Division - 968; Southern District - 914; Community Services Division - 900; Northeastern District - 861; Eastern District - 638; Administrative Bureau - 224; Crime Control Team #1 - 201; Crime Control Team #2 - 160; Crime Control Team #3 - 119; Services Bureau - 25.

The Fallen Heroes Committee wishes to express its gratitude to all those who sold tickets to the performances and to those officers and crossing-guards who volunteered their time to patrol Memorial Stadium during the shows. It was through their help and cooperation that the event was conducted so smoothly.

## Community Relations Council Tours Headquarters

More than fifty members of the Western District Police-Community Relations Council arrived at the Headquarters Building on September 12th to conduct their monthly meeting. During the Council's meeting which took place in the auditorium Mr. Nathaniel De Voe, the Council's vice-chairman, and Mrs. Agnes Gibson, Chaplain for the group, introduced Captain Walter T. Jasper, Commanding Officer of the Western District, to the assembled members.

Discussion of the Council's regular business was suspended as the visitors were guided through the Department's new facility. Escorted by members of the Community Relations Section the group toured the Crime Laboratory, the Communications and Computer Centers and the rooftop Heliport. During each stop they received an explanation of the various units' value to the Department in its daily effort to reduce crime in the community.

At the conclusion of their tour members of the Council acknowledged their gratefulness to all who had extended such a warm welcome to them. They expressed their appreciation for the Department's willingness to readily explain its efforts to reduce crime within their community.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — Robbery Unit — Best wishes to Detective Sergeant John Conroy who retired on August 10, after 25 years of service with the Department.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION** — (Old Pine Street Station) — On September 17th, Lieutenant and Mrs. James E. Mason celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary by receiving their family and friends at their home. Lieutenant Mason was retired in 1959 after 41 years of service with the Department. He was a member of the Detective Bureau and also served in the Central District. He retired from the old Pine Street Station. Lieutenant Mason is 85 years "young" and his wife celebrated her 80th birthday on September 12th. May they both have many more happy anniversaries and happy birthdays together.

Good luck and best wishes to Officer Albert Muscalli who retired from the Department after more than twenty years of service.

The Missing Person's Unit will miss you, Al.

**WESTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to all the District personnel who sold tickets to the "Fallen Heroes" circus. Through your efforts the Western District topped the entire Patrol Division in ticket sales by selling more than 1400 tickets. Once again a "job well done" to everyone.

## Final Roll Call

**ROBERTSON, JOHN E.**, retired Police Officer from Southern District, August 4.

**CROWLEY, DANIEL H.**, retired Sergeant from Northwestern District, Annex, September 3.

**PHEBUS, GEORGE P.**, Police Officer retired from Northeastern District, September 9.

**RUTH, JOHN N.**, Police Officer retired from Western District, September 10.

## *In Memoriam*

**WILSON, GRACE**, great-grandmother of Police Officer Karl Martins, Northwestern District, September 2.

**THOMAS, CARRIE**, aunt of Principal Clerk Catherine Dorsey, Northwestern District, September 3.

**FINN, JAMES**, nephew of Police Officer James Finn, Northwestern District, September 4.

**EDLER, FLORENCE**, grandmother of Police Officer James W. Schaekel, Northwestern District, September 4.

**COCKERILL, EDNA K.**, mother of retired Captain James J. Cockerill, Tactical Section, September 4.

**SPRUILL, LONNIE C., JR.**, brother of Police Officer Roy K. Spruill, Com-

munity Services Division, Youth Section, September 5.

**ROWLAND, GRACE O.**, mother of Police Officer William Rowland, Northern District, September 5.

**SHERMAN, RONALD**, brother of Police Officer John Sherman, Western District, September 6.

**KRULOCK, NICHOLAS**, father of Police Officer Ronald Krulock, Southeastern District, September 7.

**JOHNSON, LOUIS**, step-father of Police Officer Charles Harold, Northwestern District, September 8.

**LINGNER, RUTH F.**, mother of Police Officer Lawrence Lingner, Northeastern District, retired Officer John J. Lingner, Central District, retired Officer Richard T. Lingner, Communications Division and retired Officer Francis M. Lingner, Communications Division. Mrs. Lingner was also the widow of the late Officer John C. Lingner, Central District.

**SNEAD, ERIC CHRISTOPHER**, son of Police Officer Milton Snead, Eastern District, September 8.

**TWARDOWSKI, ANNA**, grandmother of Police Officer Daniel A. Boniarski, Criminal Investigation Division, Property Crimes Section, September 12.

**KRAUSE, CHARLES F.**, father-in-law of Anna T. Krause, Laboratory Division, September 12.

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# NEWSLETTER

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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

October 3, 1973

## Officer Rodwell Murdered

Odetta Robinson is a student in class 211 of the Bentalou Elementary School #150. Last week she wrote a little letter which, when it arrived at Police Department Headquarters, had been pasted on a large piece of craft paper on which she had carefully drawn red hearts. Here's what this tiny youngster had to say:

*"I am so sorry that Officer Rodwell died. He used to be the best Officer of the squad. Now that he is dead by some dummy who was crazy enough to shoot him just for nothing. Officer Rodwell didn't do anything, and he was just shot. I'm so sad."*

Odetta Robinson

A short time after midnight Officer Calvin M. Rodwell was operating a taxi cab, with permission, when he picked up a fare at Wilson and McCulloh Streets. His intention was to drive the passenger to the intersection of Orleans Street and Aisquith Street. He didn't make it.



Officer Calvin M. Rodwell

Officer Ronald Roof, of the Southeastern District was one of the first to arrive at the scene of a call for a shooting in the 100 block North Aisquith. In his offense report Officer Roof summarized the incident this way:

"On the scene, I spoke to several witnesses who gave the apparent following events to the shooting. A witness observed the victim standing outside a cab with his hands up in the 200 block Aisquith Street. A few minutes later the witness was parking his car at 130

North Aisquith Street. He observed the cab drive South on Aisquith Street and pass him. At this time the victim, who was on foot came running up to the auto, on the right side and stated to the witness, 'I've just been robbed!' The victim then ran to the left side of the vehicle and again stated to the witness, 'I've just been robbed.' The witness not knowing the victim did not open the door. The victim was then observed by the witness walking East along side of 131 North Aisquith Street.

A second witness . . . stated he observed the victim walking East along side 131 North Aisquith Street towards Central Avenue. The suspect was, according to this witness, walking South from the rear of 131 North Aisquith Street. The suspect was confronted by Officer Rodwell . . . on the north curb next to the first parking spot and stated to the victim 'I told you to be cool.'

The suspect then discharged a firearm several times striking the victim in the head and chest area . . . "

Officer Rodwell was pronounced dead at Church Home and Hospital before his identity was ascertained.

After investigation one of the taxi cab drivers taken into custody at the shooting scene was charged with homicide. A warrant was obtained for the assailant actually responsible for the shooting. After a round the clock effort homicide detectives arrested the second

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## Officer Wounded Foiling Hold-Up

The northern edge of the Northeastern District is not known for being particularly busy on an early Sunday evening. On Sunday, September 23, 1973 the situation, for a time, changed dramatically.

At about 1814 hours the Communications Division broadcast information concerning an armed hold-up at a hamburger stand located on McClean Boulevard just across the City Line in Baltimore County. Officer Donald Haupt and Sergeant Richard Hancock were among the first to arrive at the scene.



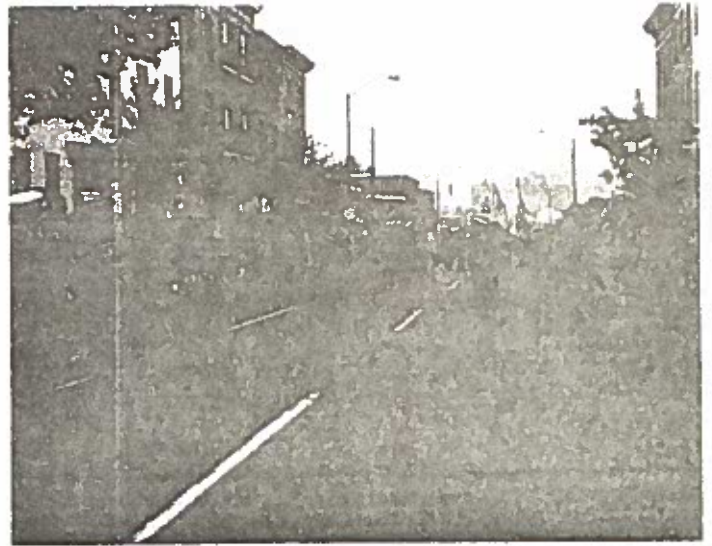
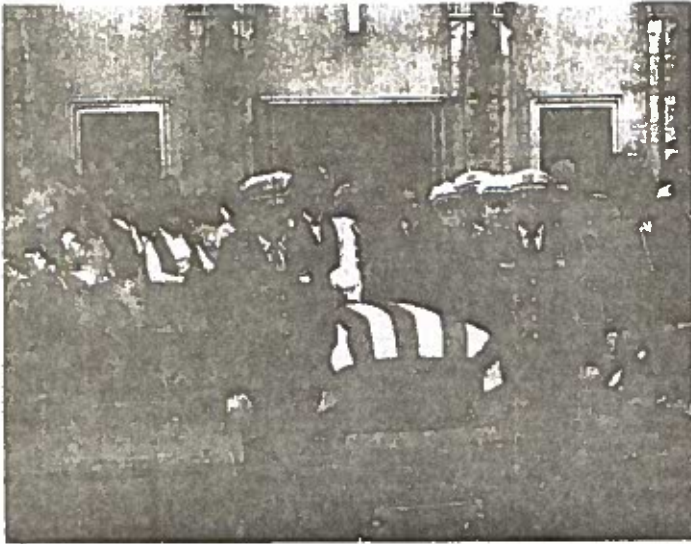
Officer Donald Haupt

Witnesses pointed to suspects running into Baltimore City from the scene on McClean Boulevard. The Northeastern District officers gave chase and were informed, by a citizen, that two of the suspects were hiding in the rear seat of an automobile parked outside an apartment complex.

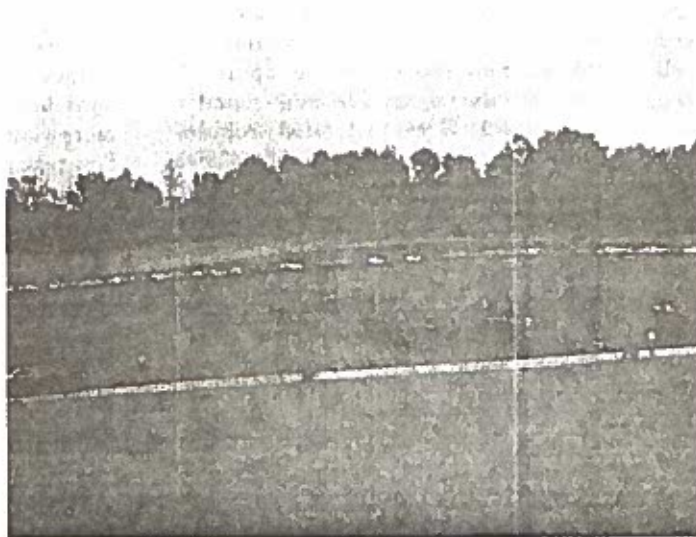
The Sergeant and the Officer approached the vehicle from different angles and as they neared the car a volley of shots emitted from the rear seat. Officer Haupt was struck in the

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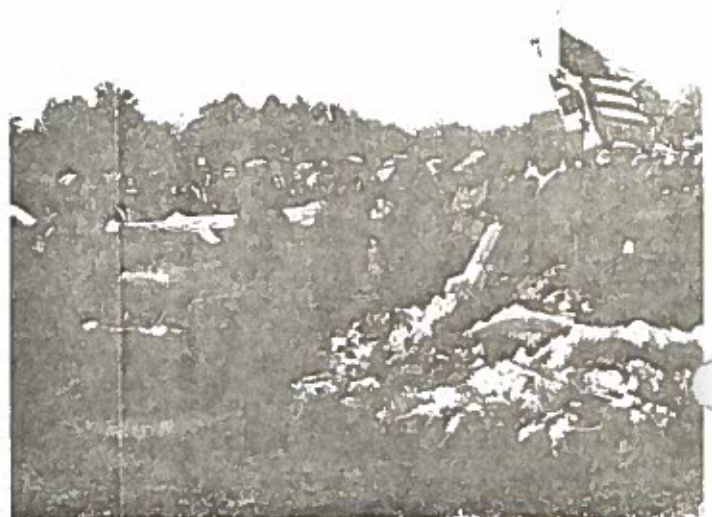
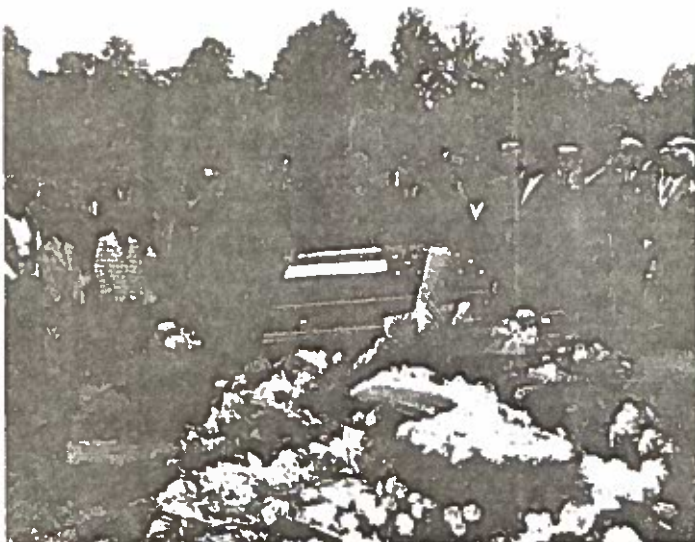
# *Calvin M. Rodwell*



July 16, 1939



September 22, 1973





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Congratulations to Reverend John Wright, Maintenance Engineer, for his excellent recall, knowledge of "SWAHILI", and his detective work by locating the parents of a little, lost African boy. The child had been brought to the Western District on September 18. This was "a job well done".

**INTERNAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — Congratulations to Detective James Edmonds and the former Sandra Quarles who were married on September 22, at the Mount Calvary Methodist Church in Fruitland, Maryland. Best wishes to the happy couple.

Good luck to Lieutenant Joseph Nixon on his new assignment in the Western District.

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**SOUTHERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Police Officer Daryl Buhrman and his wife, Sandra, on the birth of their daughter, Angel Lee, on Sep-

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## Final Roll Call

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**SHELTON, MILDRED L.**, mother of Police Officer William Shelton, Chief of Patrol's Office, Area 2 Crime Control Team, September 24.

**CROCKETT, WARDELL**, father of Police Officer Chauncey Crockett, Eastern District, September 25.

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## Officer Murdered

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suspect September 27 as he hid inside a house in the 3200 block of Barclay Street.

Funeral Services took place at the Union Baptist Church in the 1200 block of Druid Hill Avenue. In addition to members of the Baltimore Police Department representatives from other law enforcement and public service agencies from Baltimore City and the entire Mid-Atlantic Region arrived to pay their final respects.

The motorcade to the cemetery was a long slow journey. Civilians who observed the procession which wound its way through the city from the 1200 block of Druid Hill Avenue to the Arbutus Cemetery saw automobiles from police departments of several states. Each car with headlights and domelights illuminated filed through the city. At locations along the line of procession Baltimore City Firemen sounded their truck bells . . . the lonely, muted sound reaching officers and men with their somberness.

Services at the cemetery were brief. As a lone trumpet sounded taps those assembled left Officer Calvin M. Rodwell to his final resting place.

Perhaps little Odetta Robinson, in a child's handwriting, expressed the mood in a way far more sophisticated than her years when she closed her letter with these words: "I'm so sad." *Odetta Robinson*



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## In Memoriam

**RINGSBONS, JOSEPH L.**, step-father of Police Officer James Custis, Traffic Division, T.I.S., September 18.

**DAY, TRUSTON P.**, father of Police Officer Robert Day, Community Services Division, Youth Section, September 22.

**SHELTON, MILDRED L.**, mother of Police Officer William Shelton, Chief of Patrol's Office, Area 2 Crime Control Team, September 24.

**CROCKETT, WARDELL**, father of Police Officer Chauncey Crockett, Eastern District, September 25.

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

## Officer Murdered

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suspect September 27 as he hid inside a house in the 3200 block of Barclay Street.

Funeral Services took place at the Union Baptist Church in the 1200 block of Druid Hill Avenue. In addition to members of the Baltimore Police Department representatives from other law enforcement and public service agencies from Baltimore City and the entire Mid-Atlantic Region arrived to pay their final respects.

The motorcade to the cemetery was a long slow journey. Civilians who observed the procession which wound its way through the city from the 1200 block of Druid Hill Avenue to the Arbutus Cemetery saw automobiles from police departments of several states. Each car with headlights and domelights illuminated filed through the city. At locations along the line of procession Baltimore City Firemen sounded their truck bells . . . the lonely, muted sound reaching officers and men with their somberness.

Services at the cemetery were brief. As a lone trumpet sounded taps those assembled left Officer Calvin M. Rodwell to his final resting place.

Perhaps little Odetta Robinson, in a child's handwriting, expressed the mood in a way far more sophisticated than her years when she closed her letter with these words: "I'm so sad." Odetta Robinson



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# NEWSLETTER

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## Latent Fingerprint Unit . . . *Science In Law Enforcement*

Mobile Units of the Laboratory Division are receiving an ever increasing number of calls to process crime scenes. Once at the scene the Mobile Unit technician takes the appropriate photographs, attempts to locate and collect latent fingerprints and recovers any evidence which may potentially have a bearing on the case. Often, after the Laboratory Division completes its tests and evaluations, the results of these visits by the Mobile Unit are shown to have played an important part when the case goes to court.



On March 27, 1973, for example, the Mobile Unit responded to the scenes of two burglaries in the Northern District. Because the crime scenes had been maintained in tact, technicians were able to develop and recover partial latent fingerprints at both locations. Three days later latent prints were recovered from the locations of two more burg-

laries in the same district. These, like the prints collected March 27, were placed into an open file to be checked against other burglaries and burglary suspects on a day to day basis.

April 2, 1973 brought a request, from the Criminal Investigation Division, to make a comparison between the fingerprints of a possible suspect, and the latent fingerprints recovered March 27. The comparison was made and an identification, through fingerprints, was effected. Technicians then began comparing that suspect's fingerprints with those recovered from the other burglary cases which had occurred in the Northern District.

As a result of these detailed comparisons the other three burglaries were cleared by positive fingerprint identification. A thorough follow-up involving the Criminal Investigation Division and Officers of the Northern District resulted in the clearances of a total of seventeen burglary cases.

The Latent Fingerprint Unit of the Laboratory Division performs complete latent fingerprint examinations for the Baltimore Police Department and for other interested law enforcement agencies as well. This service includes:

- 1) The examination of all latent fingerprints and palmprints recovered from crime scenes to determine whether they are suitable or of value for identification purposes.
- 2) The examination of physical evidence to determine whether latent finger impressions are present.

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## Major Pomrenke Retires

On October 16, 1967 Baltimore Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau selected a member of the University of North Carolina faculty to head the Department's Education and Training Division. Assuming command of the Division directly responsible for the law enforcement training of the Department's sworn personnel was Major Norman E. Pomrenke, a professor of police administration.



Norman E. Pomrenke

As a former police officer Major Pomrenke was well-versed in the everyday responsibilities and tasks facing today's law enforcement personnel as they strive to reduce crime in the nation's largest cities. In 1958, following his graduation from Michigan State University from which he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Police Administration, Norman Pomrenke joined the Oakland, California, Police Department. He continued to gain first-hand law enforcement experience while serving as a police officer until 1962.

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- 3) Notification of District Officers and members of the Criminal Investigation Division of latent prints that are suitable for comparison.
- 4) The comparison of latent finger impressions with known fingerprints and palmprints of suspects.
- 5) Notification of all identifications made to District Officers and members of the Criminal Investigation Division.

The technicians of the Latent Fingerprint Unit are all qualified as expert fingerprint identification specialists. Their assignments generally involve the examination of fragmentary latent finger or palm impressions developed by appropriate processes on objects associated with various crimes. A comparison is made of such latent impressions with the known fingerprints of criminal suspects or other persons who might have left the latent prints on the object under examination.



Latent fingerprint identification specialists often are called upon to testify in court as to their findings in examinations of impressions found at the scene of a crime.

Statistics relating to the number of comparable latent fingerprint impressions recovered from crime scenes reflect a growing awareness, on the part of District Officers, of the importance of preserving those scenes until they can be processed. In many cases it has been

evident that the initial care with which the crime scene is treated makes the difference between success or failure in reaching a conviction of arrested suspects. Mobile Unit technicians say that whenever there is any doubt about whether a particular object, found at the scene of a crime, may contain latents of value don't handle it. Have it processed for fingerprints.



Members of the Department have, from time to time, asked questions relating to latent fingerprints and what can be expected from them. Several of the most commonly asked questions are answered below:

*Q. What is done with a suitable latent print?*

A. All latents are filed in an open case file by district and are continuously compared on a day by day basis with suspect's prints submitted by the Criminal Investigation Division and District Officers.

*Q. How does one submit a request for comparison?*

A. On form 70/236 in triplicate filled out in its entirety, including name, age, address, date of birth and identification number of the suspect.

*Q. Can palmprints be identified?*

A. The comparison of latent palm and soleprints with inked impressions of palms and soles is conducted in exactly the same way as fingerprints.

*Q. At the crime scene where are fingerprints usually located?*

A. Fingerprints are often found on reasonably smooth surfaces. Many times they are located at the point of entry and on objects handled by the perpetrator.

*Q. Can a latent fingerprint be compared against all the known prints in the Identification Section?*

A. No, if this were to be done it would be necessary to manually compare each recovered latent print with the 200,000 fingerprint cards on file. This is obviously not practical. Additionally, the experts point out that often they are comparing only a portion of a print and this fragment may not contain the core, delta, or other areas which are necessary for classification.

*Q. Can fingerprints be developed from pieces of paper?*

A. Yes, technicians using chemical processes have successfully developed fingerprints from recovered pieces of paper.



*Q. Can latent fingerprints be placed in a computer for easy comparison and identification?*

A. There are several national research programs on-going in this area, however the state of the art has not reached fruition at the present time.

There has been a marked increase in the past two to three years in the number of latent fingerprints recovered from crime scenes and in the number of identifications which have been accomplished. The chart below reflects the result of greater concern by District Officers in crime scene preservation, more in depth investigations by Criminal Investigation personnel as well as increased effort in recovering and comparing latent prints

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## Major Pomrenke Retires

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In 1962, in order to further his formal law enforcement education, Major Pomrenke gained admission to Florida State University. While serving on the University's faculty he acquired a Master of Science Degree in Criminology. He also headed Florida State's Law Enforcement Program before leaving the Tallahassee campus in 1965.

Accepting a professorial position at the University of North Carolina, he taught police administration during his two year tenure at Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

During the outset of his career with the Department Major Pomrenke first concerned himself with the revitalization of the Department's educational programs. After carefully evaluating the entrance level training afforded each new police officer he began to revamp the Police Academy's curriculum. As the academic and practical instruction given new police officers was changed, emphasis was placed on the curriculum's ability to enable the professional police officer to make and act upon decisions of the greatest consequence, decisions which often must be made without time for lengthy deliberation or consultation.

Throughout his career as Director of the Education and Training Division Major Pomrenke received a number of letters recognizing his expertise in the law enforcement-education field. During his six year stay with the Department he often attended meetings, participated in seminars and lectured to groups devoted to the advancement of education within the law enforcement community. On numerous occasions other police agencies have sought his advice as they reevaluated and restructured their own educational programs.

Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau and members of the command staff bade farewell to Major Pomrenke at a retirement luncheon held on October 5. The retiring head of the Education and Training Division who resides in Harford County with his wife, Carol, and their three children takes with him the Department's best wishes for success in his future educational endeavors.

## Graduation and Commendation Ceremonies Held

Thirty-four Police Officers received certificates of completion at graduation exercises in the Auditorium of the Headquarters Building last Friday. Class 73-4 included the first female police officer to be assigned to regular patrol duty under a new program initiated last summer.

Officer Carlton W. Miller, the Class Valedictorian, addressed members of the Command Staff and fellow officers and friends. His remarks demonstrated that the new graduates of Class 73-4 fully realize the importance of their role, as police officers, in today's society.

Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau introduced the Graduation Speaker, Mr. William J. Olivanti, the Regional Administrator of the Drug Enforcement Administration. Mr. Olivanti's remarks underlined the importance of the co-operative Federal-Municipal attack against drug abuse. He pointed out that the Total Officer Concept, formulated by Commissioner Pomerleau, has served as a model for other law enforcement agencies throughout the nation. Through this program Federally conducted three-day narcotics seminars are attended by members of the Baltimore Police Department. This training enables all police officers to gather the expertise necessary to initiate and successfully conclude narcotics enforcement activities. In addition to the three-day seminars for veteran members of the Department, he pointed out that the same instruction is given to new members of the Department during their Entrance Level Training.

Prior to the commencement exercise the graduates received their assignments. They are as follows: Central District - Officers Charles M. Block, Joseph M. Brown, Leister B. Butler, Jr., Dominick J. Cappolloni, Stanley L. Lawrence, Frank C. Puder, Joseph F. Stephens, Walter C. Sterbach; Eastern District - Officers David B. Allen, Deal G. Allen, Jr., Edward C. Bochniak, Gary T. Dunningan, Vernon E. Gundy, George J. Kunkoski, Scott B. Mears, George P. Parsons, Jr., Ronald D. Peterson; Northern District - Officers Robert L. Mack, Jon A. Willis; Northeastern District - Officer

Michael L. Johnson; Northwestern District - Officers John J. Brown, Nestor S. Peregrino, Walter A. Vaughn; Southern District - Officer Gladys Aye; Southeastern District - Officer Ronald B. Rideout; Southwestern District - Officers Richard N. Blizzard, David J. Hahn, Richard T. Hastings, Michael Hurm, John D. Korenstra, Craig L. Mahoney, Thomas L. Sullivan.

Commendation ceremonies followed the graduation exercise. Three civilians were saluted for their part in assisting law enforcement officers as they preserved order in their community. Five police officers were also commended for the exemplary manner in which they discharged their police duties.

As they patrolled their Western District post during the early morning hours of June 3, 1973 Officers Leonard Dembeck and Joseph Fonte spotted smoke swirling from a West Baltimore Street home. The two officers sprang into action. Officer Dembeck quickly summoned fire department assistance as Officer Fonte attempted to gain entrance through the front door of the burning house. Some one trapped in a second floor room was calling for help. Unable to enter the burning house through the front door the two Western District officers raced to the rear of the dwelling and forced open a rear door. Battling smoke and heat the officers not only rescued the victim trapped on the second floor but also located two other occupants of the house who had been asleep when the fire broke out. Through the officers immediate and selfless action the dwelling's three occupants were led to safety.

Officers Charles Frank, Edward Kohler and Michael VanNostrand pulled up in front of the store in the 200 block North Carey Street. Dispatched by communications for a hold-up the officers spied a gunman holding a man at gunpoint. Quietly they entered the store and quickly disarmed the surprised gunman. Warned by the store's owner that a second armed suspect was in the rear of the store Officers Van Nostrand and Frank confronted the gunman holding several people at bay. As the officers ordered him to drop his weapon a brief

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

**SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Police Officer Jack Loiacono and his wife, Rosemarie, on the birth of their son, Michael Carlo, on September 30.

At the recent City Fair, Lieutenant Glen R. Egbert and son, Paul, age 9 years, took part in the weightlifting demonstration staged by the Bureau of Recreation. The Lieutenant made a 325 pound lift with one hand and his son lifted 195 lbs. with two hands. Young Paul is being groomed for future Olympic competition.

Best wishes for a happy and long retirement to Sergeant Ralph Eicher who retired after 20 years of service in the Department on October 10.

Best wishes for a happy and long retirement to Police Officer Clarence Larkins who retired on October 9 after 16 years of service with the Department.

Get well wishes to Sergeant Edward Rock who is presently confined at St. Joseph's Hospital.

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — Vice Control Section — Good Luck and best wishes to Principle Clerk Stenographer Margaret Lynch who retired from the Department on October 1 after 15 years of service. We will all miss you Margaret.

Narcotic Strike Force — Congratulations to Sergeant Ralph Clements, a member of the Department's Blood Assurance Program. As of August 11, he had donated one (1) gallon of

blood to the blood bank for the year 1973.

## Final Roll Call

**BERGHOFF, JOSEPH S.**, retired Lieutenant from Communications Division, September 30.

**TRCKA, FRANK J.**, retired Police Officer from Northwestern District and father of Detective Frank Trcka, Criminal Investigation Division, October 7.

## In Memoriam

**MAYGERS, MRS. HENRY.**, mother-in-law of Lieutenant Casper Klein, Criminal Investigation Division, Property Crimes, Area 2, and grandmother of Police Officer James P. Klein, Western District, September 29.

**WOINGUST, SAMUEL E.**, brother of Police Officer Norman Woingust, Crime Control Unit #2, Northwestern District, October 2.

**PRYOR, ROOKLYN W.**, father of Officer Thomas Pryor, Central District, October 9.

**BROKUS, VALERIE JEAN**, 5 month old daughter of Police Officer James Brokus, Southeastern District, October 10.

**HUFFMAN, EMILIE**, mother of Officer Francis Huffman, Central District, October 11.

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## Graduation Ceremonies Held

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exchange of gunfire erupted between the officers and the suspect. The wounded suspect was placed under arrest as the employees and customers were led to safety.

During the reception which followed the ceremonies Commissioner Pomerleau and members of the Command Staff extended their congratulations and best wishes to everyone on their achievement.

## Latent Fingerprint Unit...

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by Mobile Unit and Latent Fingerprint technicians.

### Total Latents of Value Recovered

1970	1971	1972	1973
789	1528	1600	1845

### Total Identifications

1970	1971	1972	1973
128	525	896	1085

Members of the Mobile Unit and Latent Fingerprint Unit of the Laboratory Division are anxious to provide assistance to Officers in the field in the area of fingerprint recovery and identification. Information relating to latent fingerprints may be obtained by contacting a technician at extension 2290.



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BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT

# NEWSLETTER

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## Whistle Blown on Police Payoffs

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In Russell Baker's lengthy discourse on Baltimore, which was reprinted in the Evening Sun on Monday and well worth reading, his central theme in explaining the anomaly of a Spiro Agnew was that our city is at heart and by ingrained inclination a city of permissiveness, quite tolerant of sinning as opposed to gross vice. Mr. Baker recalled from his police-reporter days here in the late 1940's and early 1950's that the most unpopular man in police ranks was the overzealous Vice Squad captain who went around breaking down the doors of gamblers and bookmakers whose activities were considered inoffensive enough by others to be winked at.

And it is true that many Baltimoreans to this day see no great harm in bookmaking, the numbers and a little sinning on the Block, whatever the law may say. But corruption is corruption, and like a cancer its malignancy spreads. To make sure policemen know what not to notice on their rounds, payoffs are arranged; and from then on the Police Department and the city as a whole are in real trouble. The tolerable sin becomes the intolerable, organized vice.

Baltimore has now seen five former police detectives convicted of a conspiracy to protect an illegal gambling operation. Another, larger group of policemen, including some lieutenants as well as lesser ranks, is under indictment. The lengthy investigations were conducted by a special federal grand jury at the request of the city Police Department, and they may or may not have uncovered all the corruption within police ranks. But one thing should be clear by now: Baltimore is not permissive when it comes to paid winks at wrongdoing. The lowliest patrolman on the beat should feel at this stage that he can blow the whistle on payoffs, no matter who is involved, and that he will be backed up. His badge is just as big as anyone else's, and only as there is determination in the ranks to wipe out the last vestiges of blight on their good names can the reputation of the Police Department be fully restored.

*"I have said both publicly and privately that the badge of authority of each member of this department has equal weight. On many occasions I have had discussions with members of the force regarding their potential, and indeed their responsibility, in reacting to problems of this type. They have been consistently reassured, as I reassure you, of my wholehearted support in this most important endeavor — the ferretting out of those few among us who violate their public trust and solemn oath of office. It is our individual and collective, moral and legal obligation to do so."*

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## Deputy Commissioner Murdy Retires

In 1966 the Baltimore Police Department instituted the first phase of the internal reorganization recommended by the International Association of Chiefs of Police. Complying with Chapter 203, House Bill 674 of the 1966 Acts of the Maryland State Legislature a number of persons were appointed to Command positions within the Department. Among those selected at this time was Ralph G. Murdy, the then Managing Director of the Criminal Justice Commission. Mr. Murdy was named Deputy Commissioner of the Administrative Bureau, assuming administrative authority of the Fiscal Affairs, Education and Training, Personnel and Internal Investigation Divisions.



Ralph G. Murdy

Enlisting as a private in the United States Army, the Mount Vernon, New York native son quickly exhibited his leadership character. The year after his enlistment he advanced to the rank of Second Lieutenant, Infantry. The

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## Deputy Commissioner Retires

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following year he received a battlefield promotion to First Lieutenant and he served as the Infantry Platoon Leader of the 83rd Infantry Division. Attaining the rank of Captain he completed his military service assigned to the staff of General Mark Clark as Assistant Personnel Officer. During his three year tour of duty he was commended on several occasions and was awarded the Bronze Star and Purple Heart.

After being discharged from the Army, Mr. Murdy returned to civilian life and enrolled at Fordham University. He completed his studies at the New York campus receiving a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting.

Mr. Murdy, who had joined the Federal Bureau of Investigation as a clerk in 1941, rejoined the Bureau in 1950 and graduated from their Academy as a Special Agent. His first assignment was to the Bureau's Alabama office but he was transferred to its Baltimore office in December, 1951. He remained a member of the Bureau until 1959 when he accepted the Managing Directorship of the Criminal Justice Commission, a position he held until being named Deputy Commissioner in 1966.

Mr. Murdy continued his formal education in Baltimore attending both Loyola College and Johns Hopkins University. For his efforts he was awarded a Master of Liberal Arts Degree by Johns Hopkins University in 1967.

In 1972, Baltimore Mayor William Donald Schaefer, by agreement with Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, selected Deputy Commissioner Murdy to head the Mayor's Coordinating Council on Criminal Justice. As head of the Council he devoted his full attention to the coordination of the activities and programs of the various agencies involved in the Criminal Justice spectrum within the City of Baltimore. Council members included the heads of those agencies involved in the Criminal Justice process from arrest, prosecution and adjudication to detention and treatment of offenders and the prevention of crime itself. The Council, meeting regularly with Mayor Schaefer,

is a leading policy making body in the field of Criminal Justice in the City.

During his tenure with the Coordinating Council Mr. Murdy was also named as City Jail Coordinator. Concern over the administration of the jail prompted Mayor Schaefer, during the spring of this year, to authorize Mr. Murdy to implement Jail Board policy. As the Coordinator he was also authorized to act upon the Mayor's instructions with particular emphasis on riot procedures, security equipment, training and related matters.

Aside from his attendance at various law enforcement seminars and his appearances at local colleges as guest lecturer Deputy Commissioner Murdy served as a faculty member at the Community College of Baltimore and the University of Maryland. As a part-time faculty member at the University of Maryland he taught at the University's Institute of Criminal Justice and Criminology.

Deputy Commissioner Murdy has accepted a position with the Social Security Administration in Woodlawn. He will act as Chief of Protective Services and Safety for the Administration.

The Department extends its best wishes to Deputy Commissioner Murdy for future success in his new position. His dedication to duty, his knowledge of law enforcement and his administrative ability will surely help him meet the challenge of his new endeavor.

## Helicopter Unit Nominated For Award

The Helicopter Unit of the Baltimore Police Department has been nominated for an accomplishment award by the Helicopter Association of America. The award, for accomplishment in the field of helicopter use within the area of law enforcement, will be presented in January of 1974 at the annual meeting of the Helicopter Association of America to be held in San Diego, California.

Nomination of the Baltimore Police Department was made by J. Cullen Weadock, President of Chesapeake and Potomac Airways, Incorporated. Mr. Weadock is a member of the Helicopter Association.

## Promotional Ceremonies Held

On Thursday, October 25, 1973 Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau awarded Certificates of Promotion to five new Lieutenants and ten new Sergeants. The ceremonies, which were attended by the families and friends of the newly promoted officers, were conducted in the Headquarters auditorium. During a brief reception in the fifth floor Canteen Commissioner Pomerleau and members of the Command Staff greeted the newly promoted officers and their families and extended their congratulations and best wishes for success in this new phase of their law enforcement career.

The five new Lieutenants and their assignments are as follows:

Francis O. Elder — Criminal Investigation Division

Charles M. Dickens — Northern District

Melvin C. McQuay — Tactical Section

Harry T. Simmont, Jr. — Southwestern District

Charles S. Codd — Eastern District

The ten new Sergeants and their assignments are as follows:

Celio Oliveras, Jr. — Northern District

Kenneth R. Warzyniak — Tactical Section

Gordon A. Sonney — Internal Investigation Division

Donald F. Haupt — Western District

John P. Rorke — Tactical Section

Elton M. Huff — Office of the Chief of Patrol

James H. Freeman — Southwestern District

Charles H. Douglas — Northeastern District

Arthur M. Jones — Northern District

Louis F. Hill — Northwestern District

## NEWS NOTES

### Headquarters Facility Dedicated

The New York City Police Department is now using services provided from their brand new Headquarters Building which was officially opened during ceremonies, October 16.

Police Commissioner and Mrs. Donald D. Pomerleau were on hand for the day-long activities as guests of New York City Mayor John V. Lindsay.

Mayor Lindsay hosted the Commissioner and Law Enforcement officials from throughout the United States and several foreign capitals at a breakfast reception early in the day.

Commissioner and Mrs. Pomerleau were among the dignitaries on the reviewing stand during a rather unique Police Parade, the first such event staged in New York City since 1931. The parade featured not only law enforcement equipment and personnel from New York but from other Police Departments as well. From the reviewing stand spectators were treated to band music, precision marching and an impressive display of antique police vehicles.

The new Headquarters Building was dedicated at 2:00 p.m. and the Commissioner received an orientation and tour of the facility shortly after its official opening.

The days activities concluded after a reception at the official residence of the Mayor of New York City, Gracie Mansion.

### Urban Police Standards Discussed

Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau this week participated in the "Symposium on the American Bar Association Standards Relating to the Urban Police Function" at the Academy of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Quantico, Virginia. This important symposium, conducted by the American Bar Association and the International Association of Chiefs of Police, was

concerned with developing means to implement recommendations relating to Urban Police Standards.

Activities which began on Sunday with an afternoon meeting for moderators of the six separate panels were to discuss ways of bringing about implementation of the standards. The Honorable Thomas C. Clark, Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court (Retired) was the keynote speaker at the formal opening of the Symposium Sunday evening.

Experts from throughout the Criminal Justice Field shared information and their expert views as the conference continued Monday. Commissioner Pomerleau was the moderator of one of the panel discussions, Monday, aimed at actually setting down guidelines for the implementation of the A.B.A. Standards on the local level.

### Fallen Heroes Proceeds Presented

On October 19, 1973 Baltimore Mayor William Donald Schaefer, during ceremonies at City Hall, was presented a check for more than \$32,000 by Mr.

C. R. Zarfoss, Chairman of the Fallen Heroes Day Committee. That amount represented the proceeds from the benefit circus performance staged at Memorial Stadium on September 8th. Mayor Schaefer added that additional donations will push the total well above that figure.

Lieutenant Colonel George C. Schnabel, Chief of the Community Services Division, represented the Department during the City Hall ceremonies. On hand, also, were representatives of the Fire Department, Police and Firefighters' wives' organizations and the Variety Clubs of Baltimore.

Proceeds from two benefit performances of the Emmett Kelly Circus were placed in a special trust fund for the children of those police officers and firefighters killed while discharging their duties. The monies are destined to meet the extraordinary medical and educational needs of the children.

During his remarks at the mid-morning ceremony Mayor Schaefer expressed his gratitude to all those whose efforts made the affair a success.

## Crime Statistics

SUMMARIZATION OF INDEX CRIMES FOR THE FIRST 9 MONTHS OF 1973

TYPE OF CRIME	1973	1972	Amount of Increase or Decrease	Percent of Increase or Decrease
MURDER	206	256	— 50	— 19.5
FORCIBLE RAPE	389	361	+ 28	+ 7.8
ROBBERY	6171	7256	— 1085	— 15.0
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	5092	4907	+ 185	+ 3.8
BURGLARY	11455	13735	— 2280	— 16.6
LARCENY	19188	22007	— 2819	— 12.8
AUTO THEFT	5845	6279	— 434	— 6.9
GRAND TOTAL	48346	54801	— 6455	— 11.8

Violent Crime	7.2% Decrease
Property Crime	13.2% Decrease
Total Index Crime	11.8% Decrease

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — Get well wishes to Officer Bill Taylor who recently sustained a serious back injury in the line of duty. Bill, who was released from the hospital a short time ago, is recuperating at home. Now, that Bill is up and around, visitors are welcome.

**SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Lieutenant Glenn Egbert and the former Shirley L. Wright who were married on October 13. Best wishes to the happy couple.

Welcome aboard to Police Officers William Roberts, Daniel H. Mitchell, Reginald Robey, Donald W. Bramlett and Ronald B. Rideout recently assigned to this District.

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — State's Attorney's Unit — Congratulations to Clerk Marie T. Mattes on her recent anniversary with the Baltimore Police Department. Marie has been with the Department for 20 years, and is still going strong! Good luck, Marie!

**PATROL DIVISION** — Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. George Vacoutis on their marriage, October 13. Mrs. Vacoutis is the former Linda J. Potaralski of this Division. Best wishes for many happy years together.

**COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION** — Congratulations to Police Officer John E. Brewster who retired on October 13

after 27 years with the Department. We wish you many enjoyable years of retirement, John.

**COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION** Wedding Bells peeled on October 23 for Officers William W. Shipley and Christie Bryan. Congratulations to both.

Best wishes to Officer Hugh W. Danner on his retirement October 31 after 25 years of service.

Congratulations and good luck to Lieutenant Charles Codd on his assignment to the Eastern District.

## Final Roll Call

**SCHLIPPER, GEORGE**, retired Sergeant from Southwestern District, October 14.

## In Memoriam

**FEIMER, SUSANNA**, mother of retired Sergeant William P. Feimer, Laboratory Division, October 4.

**FEIMER, MAX**, uncle of retired Sergeant William P. Feimer, Laboratory Division, October 8.

**WHITE, GEORGE W.**, father-in-law of Police Officer Jerry McLemore, Tactical Section, October 12.

**DESVERREAUX, MARGARET M.**, mother-in-law of Joseph K. Walker,

Fiscal Affairs Division, October 13.

**SCHINDHELM, CARL L.**, husband of Mrs. Lois Schindhelm, Office of the Deputy Commissioner of Operations Bureau, October 15.

**WARZYNIAK, FRANCIS M.**, brother of Detective Kenneth Warzyniak, Criminal Investigation Division, Crimes Against Persons Section, October 17.

**BROWN, AMIE**, aunt of School Crossing Guard Eloise Wilson, Southern District, October 20.

**GILBERT, WENDELYN F.**, father of Detective James Gilbert, Criminal Investigation Division, Property Crimes Unit, October 20.

**WOOLRIDGE, CHARLES M.**, father of Alfred M. Woolridge, Laboratory Division, October 22.

**THOMPSON, HERBERT**, brother of Police Officer Calvin Thompson, Northern District, October 22.

**DOUGLAS, MARY E.**, mother-in-law of Police Officer Auther Hannon, Sr., Southeastern District, October 22.

**MELLINGER, JOHN F., SR.**, father of Sergeant John F. Mellinger, Jr., Criminal Investigation Division, Fugitive Unit, October 24.

**ROSEMARY, VIOLA E.**, mother of Detective Dennis Rosemary, Criminal Investigation Division, Crimes Against Property Section, October 26.

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# NEWSLETTER

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## Heroic Action Saves Fire Victims

Activities on the street on 323 post in the Eastern District had begun winding down shortly before midnight on November 6, 1973. Upon arriving on his post Officer Don Helms observed some people hustling home in the crisp night air as the vehicular traffic became intermittent along Biddle Street. The routine for his 12 to 8 shift was set as his patrol car worked its way along Forrest Street.



Officer Donald Helms

Shortly after 12:30, as he drove across Biddle Street, Officer Helms saw smoke and flames emitting from one of the row-houses in the 600 block East Biddle Street. A woman, calling for help, was hanging from a second story window. Small children were leaning out two other windows on the same floor. The flames crept closer to their positions and one by one they dropped into the waiting arms of two neighbors who had stationed themselves on the sidewalk below.

After calling in an alarm of fire Officer Helms heard the woman screaming, "my babies are on the 3rd floor." Officer

Helms and one of the neighbors immediately entered the burning building. The civilian stationed himself, as a fire lookout, on the first floor, and the Officer worked his way up the smoking stairway to the second floor. He was unable to go further because of smoke and intense heat. He retreated to the first floor as the stairwell began to ignite beneath his feet.

After exiting the burning building Officer Helms and the civilian worked their way to the roof-top of an adjoining structure just in time to observe another resident of the area jump across an alley-way to the burning structure. Before he could reach that vantage point the civilian had thrown all but one of the remaining children to a companion on the roof of the building across the alley-way.

Heat and smoke drove the rescuers from that roof top but one child remained trapped with nowhere to go for safety. At this point Officer Helms jumped onto the burning rooftop, grabbed the youngster from behind and tossed him through a solid wall of smoke to the rescuers on the other side.

The stubborn conflagration was doused by Baltimore City Fire-fighters but the house was completely gutted. This fire, one of the number which occurred during the first two weeks of November, was a difficult one to suppress because it was fanned by the Autumn winds. Cause of the blaze was believed to be a faulty heating unit.

Officer Helms' quick action in the face of the obvious danger which confronted him certainly was responsible for saving a life. Those neighbors who also lent life-giving assistance have demonstrated the same genuine concern for their fellow man.

## Education And Training Director Appointed

On Thursday, November 1, 1973, Baltimore Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau presented a Certificate of Appointment to Charles G. Vanderbosch, the new Director of the Department's Education and Training Division. As Director of the Department's Education and Training Division, he is responsible for the educational-law enforcement training of the Department's sworn personnel.

A native of Chicago, Illinois, Major Vanderbosch began his law enforcement career in 1946 as a member of the Chicago Park District Police. During his early police career he served in the Patrol, Traffic, Juvenile and Criminal Investigation Units. He also served as a sworn probation officer for the Family Court, Cook County, Illinois.

His law enforcement career, which began after his discharge from the United States Navy following World War II, was interrupted while he again served in the Navy during the Korean conflict.

In 1956 Major Vanderbosch began a four year term as Assistant Director of the Youth Bureau. His duties while at this second level of divisional management included the preparation of divisional statistical and fiscal reports. Personnel supervision and evaluation and operational planning were also among his administrative duties. Throughout this four year period he frequently represented his Department at numerous meetings, workshops and seminars pertaining to juvenile delinquency.

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# Major Charles Vanderbosch Appointed

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In 1962, after the Chicago Park District Police and the Chicago Police Department had merged, his duties increased. As Unit Commander of the Social Science Unit of the Chicago Police Department's Police Academy he assumed responsibility for the evaluation and assignment of personnel, curriculum planning and development and the supervision of classroom instructors and students. He also served as a classroom instructor.

A graduate of De Paul Academy in Chicago, Major Vanderbosch attended evening classes at De Paul University. Majoring in sociology he completed his collegiate studies in 1958, receiving a Bachelor of Arts Degree. He continued his studies at the De Paul University Graduate School and, in 1964, he received a Master of Arts Degree in Political Science.

He joined the International Association of Chiefs of Police in 1964 and was assigned as Unit Supervisor in their Professional Standards Division. The initial program in which he participated entailed the researching, writing and supervision of a semi-monthly training bulletin program. As Unit Supervisor and, later as Project Director, he assisted

police departments as they developed and administered roll call training programs. More than two thousand police agencies were aided during the course of the project.

Major Vanderbosch became Assistant Director of the Association's Field Operations Division in 1969. He was responsible for the administration and supervision of police management studies and the implementation of the established programs. His tasks as Assistant Director also included the conducting of preliminary examinations to determine police agency needs and the projected costs of fulfilling their needs. He participated in assistance projects which benefited police agencies in more than sixteen states including Maryland.

Major Vanderbosch has written several articles for national law enforcement periodicals and has authored several publications for the International Association of Chiefs of Police. During his Chicago police career he was cited on several occasions for his exceptional police work.

The newly appointed Education and Training Director is married and he and his wife, Loretta, are the parents of two grown children.



Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau accompanied by Deputy Commissioner C. Jared Glauser and Frank J. Battaglia and Major Lon F. Rowlett greets Major Charles Vanderbosch following his appointment as head of the Department's Education and Training Division.

## NEWS NOTES

### What's Cooking?

The Police Wives Association is presently collecting recipes to be included in a new cookbook. The Association hopes to publish the new collection of culinary delights in time for sale at the Baltimore City Fair next Fall.

The Police Wives have long been interested in participating in activities which benefit young people. The cookbook project, which requires a great deal of coordination and preparation, is just another of these major efforts.

Recipes for the book are being collected from members of the Department and their families. The Police Wives are planning a format for the new publication which will make it truly useful to those who purchase it. Proceeds from the sale will be donated to the Department's activities aimed at young people. Anyone wishing to donate a recipe may call 668-4281.

The current project of the Police Wives Association follows the pattern of activities which have been undertaken in support of the Department. The Circus held at Memorial Stadium for the benefit of the "Fallen Heroes Fund" was of particular interest to the wives. The ladies were most active in the sale of tickets.

Hundreds of theater-goers filed into the Baltimore Civic Center, two years running, to see the "Up With People" Show. Those who bought programs received them from volunteers from the Police Wives Association.

Other activities in which the Police Wives have participated range from window washing at Camp Ritchie to volunteering to assist in the serving at luncheons for out of town police officers who came to Baltimore for the funerals of Officers Norman F. Buchman and Calvin M. Rodwell.

Citizens of the community from time to time recognize the efforts of members of the Department who have rendered extraordinary service. Little known and seldom recognized are the worthwhile endeavors of our wives.

# Graduation And Commendation Ceremonies Held

On November 2, 1973 Baltimore Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau presented thirty police officers, graduating from the Department's Education and Training Division, their certificates of completion. Twenty-eight of the newly-graduated officers are members of the Baltimore Police Department while two are members of the Annapolis Police Department.

Mr. Thomas H. Farrow, Special Agent in Charge of the Baltimore office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, delivered the commencement address to the new officers as they embarked on their law enforcement career. After his remarks to the graduates, their families and friends, Mr. Farrow assisted Commissioner Pomerleau in distributing the certificates to the graduates.



Commendation ceremonies followed the graduation exercise during which eleven Baltimore Police Officers and three civilians received awards for outstanding service to the community.

## BRONZE STAR

Officer Anthony S. Ingoglia recognized the woman instantly. She was the same woman who had ten days earlier attempted suicide by leaping into the Harbor. Cautiously, with Officer Harry M. Horz who had arrived on the scene earlier, he crept into the room. The woman was balanced on the window ledge, six floors above the pavement. The fire and rescue equipment below, summoned by the officers as they arrived at the scene, distracted the would-be sui-

cide victim momentarily. Both officers lunged for the woman and grabbed her as she tottered on the window ledge. As the woman struggled to free herself from their grasp the officers pulled her inside the building, saving her from certain death.

The two men entered the restaurant quickly. As they approached a waitress one of them drew a revolver and demanded that she place the day's receipts in a bag. As he slid from his booth Officer Charles A. Walker, attired in civilian clothes, drew his off-duty revolver and commanded the suspects to halt. The armed suspect whirled, pointed his weapon at the officer and pulled the trigger. Instantly Officer Walker returned the fire wounding the suspect in his shoulder and side. During the brief flurry of gun fire the second suspect attempted to flee through the front door but found his escape route blocked by Officer Walker. Both suspects were subdued and no restaurant employee or patron was injured.

Black smoke swirled from the door and bright orange flames flickered at the kitchen windows as Officer Salvatore Scardina approached the house. Neighbors yelled that the house's occupant was somewhere within the burning dwelling. Officer Scardina knew that this particular Marshall Street resident was an epileptic. He surmised that the man trapped inside may have suffered a seizure. As the officer inched his way through the kitchen he found the semi-conscious man crumpled on the floor. He quickly carried him to the safety of the front sidewalk.

The driver spotted the flashing blue light of the patrol car in his rear view mirror and quickly accelerated as he attempted to elude the marked unit. A series of quick turns found the car in an alley, its exit blocked at the far end. As he exited his vehicle the driver opened fire on the two pursuing officers, Officers Glenn Meyers and Joseph McMahon. Returning the gunfire the two Tactical officers chased the suspect into a nearby park where he was lost from sight. Minutes later an officer who had been searching the neighborhood found the suspect in an alley suffering from a gunshot wound of the leg. During the

subsequent investigation of the suspect it was learned that he was an escapee from the Maryland House of Correction where he was serving a sentence for attempted murder and burglary.

As Officers Lonnie Bennett and Lloyd Jett patrolled their Southwestern District post they spotted a young girl perched on the edge of a bridge threatening to jump. A crowd was gathering around the West Baltimore Street bridge as the two officers approached. They attempted to reassure her as they calmly spoke to her, cautiously approaching her perch on the bridge. As the girl, distracted by the crowd's noise below, looked away both officers lunged to grab her before she could plunge from the bridge.

The call from Communications had been for an assault in progress. As Police Agent Joseph Beling, Jr., arrived on the scene an elderly woman approached his marked unit and told him that her daughter had just severely beaten her twenty-two month old granddaughter. The mother and the injured child, according to the grandmother, were barricaded in a second floor bedroom. As additional units arrived on the scene Agent Beling attempted to talk the mother into surrendering. His efforts failed. Several officers, then forced their way into the second floor room as the mother jumped from the window. The woman landed unhurt, however, as Agent Beling, who had returned downstairs, broke her fall, preventing serious injury.

As they patrolled the 1300 block Pennsylvania Avenue Central District Officers Monroe Gilliam and Elmer Finkenbinder heard gunshots echo from a side street. As their patrol car slid to a stop at the curb the officers spotted a suspect fire a shot at a group of people standing on a nearby corner. Spying the officers the suspect ran into an alley. Officer Finkenbinder pursued the suspect as Officer Gilliam blocked the alley's entrance with his radio car. Caught in a blind alley the suspect whirled and aimed his revolver at the two officers. As the officers ducked behind cover the suspect also secreted himself. The officers began talking to the man. For several minutes they spoke to him until they finally persuaded him to surrender without further incident.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**INTERNAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — Our deepest sympathy to Detective William R. Scott on his recent loss.

**EDUCATION AND TRAINING DIVISION**—Congratulations and welcome aboard to our new Director, Major Charles Vanderbosch.

## Final Roll Call

**ALEXANDER, CHARLES**, Sergeant, retired from Traffic Division, October 25.

**GERHOLD, CHARLES**, Sergeant, retired from Traffic Division, Mounted Section, October 31.

## In Memoriam

**KANE, JAMES L.**, brother of police Officer Eugene R. Kane, Western District, October 26.

**REEVES, RAYMOND M.**, father-in-law of Detective Clifton Rineheart, Criminal Investigation Division, Property Crimes Section, October 27.

**THANNER, BERNARD, SR.**, father of Bernard F. Thanner, Property Division, October 31.

sion, October 31.

**EGE, JOHN**, father-in-law of Sergeant Thomas W. Whalen, Traffic Division, Mounted Unit, and grandfather of Police Officer Thomas B. Whalen, Traffic Division, Safety Education Unit, November 1.

**LECKERT, JOSEPH**, father of Police Officer Richard Leckert, Eastern District, and uncle of Police Officer Everett Voelker, Northwestern District, and uncle of Senior Accountant Sheri Stamp, Fiscal Affairs, November 2.

**HAMMETT, LINWOOD**, father of Police Officer John Hammett, Northern District, November 2.

**McKAY, JOHN L.**, brother of Sergeant Donald McKay, Traffic Division, Towing Section, November 3.

**DeMAY, ETHEL**, mother of Clerk Roland Outrow, Central Records Division, November 3.

**TICHER, EMMA M.**, sister of Mrs. Carmen B. Murray, Operations Bureau, November 5.

**EYSTER, CHARLES H.**, father of Officer Kenneth Eyster, Southern District, November 7.

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

## Post Script

Dear Commissioner Pomerleau:

In an announcement issued by this Office . . . special mention was made of the cooperation and assistance provided to our Office by members of the Baltimore City Police Department for the last three years in this investigation. (John Owens Homicide).

I would like to personally commend Captain James Cadden and the entire Homicide Unit for their assistance in this investigation . . . Special Commendation should be given to Detective Vernon Wilhelm . . . Detective Edward Chlan . . . and Detective Sergeant William Kearny.

The successful prosecution of the killer of John Owens resulted from excellent investigation work by the Homicide Unit assisted by a member of this Office's Homicide Liaison Unit and is a fine example of what may be accomplished by close association and cooperation between our offices.

I wish to again extend my thanks and congratulations for a job well done.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ J. Carroll Holzer  
Chief, Trial Division  
(State's Attorney's Office)



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# NEWSLETTER

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## DECOY SQUAD:

### An Innovative Approach To Street Crime

The holiday shoppers scurried up and down Howard Street ducking into stores to pick up purchases. The crisp air, fanned by a light breeze, brought whiffs of the pine scented Christmas decorations out of the stores and onto the bustling street. As the Point Control Officer directed pedestrians across the street nobody noticed the elderly man, back pressed against the side of the building, trying to keep out of the wind.

Youths who should have been in school were doing several things. Some were buying Christmas presents, others were looking in windows, and still others were just hanging around, enjoying being a part of the holiday scene. Another youth, about 15, was there too but he wasn't caring about the upcoming holiday, the neatly decorated windows, or the elderly man who was trying to keep warm, who had by this time moved into a doorway just beside the bus stop.



Money was the object of the youth's interest, anybody's money! He was just looking for an easy target, someone he could rip off. The best spot, he knew,

was near the intersection, so after the hit he could accelerate around the corner and disappear into an alley. The bus stop was just as good as any other place so he backed up against the store window and waited.

The bus was still a block away, heading North, and all thirty-five or so who were waiting for it queued up by the curb. A middle aged lady, near the back of the group, shuffled from foot to foot as the bus approached. The time was right and the youth took two steps away from the store window, grabbed her pocket book, which was dangling from her right arm, and gave it a pull. She didn't let go, and the elderly man in the doorway grabbed the youth who had just fallen for one of the Department's newest ploys. . . . the Decoy Squad. The elderly man in the doorway, a man in a brown jacket waiting for the same bus and a window cleaner just a few feet away were all members of the Decoy Squad, just waiting for someone to attempt to break the law.

Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, in announcing the deployment of the Decoy Squad, pointed out that the Department will go to great lengths to discourage or apprehend a street criminal. This special squad, under the direction of the Chief of Patrol's Office, is deployed in several areas of the city. Locations and even some of the disguises used are dictated as the result of the Planning and Research Division's analysis of certain crime patterns in the city. Profiles of the average victims of street crimes are translated into the types of disguises which make the police officer fit in with his surroundings.

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## Promotional And Command Changes Announced

Baltimore Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau presented Certificates of Promotion to two new Captains during promotional ceremonies which took place on November 13, 1973. The two newly promoted Captains are Harwood W. Burritt and James A. Kelly.

During his thirteen year law enforcement career with the Department Captain Burritt has been assigned to the Southwestern District, the Traffic, Inspectional Services and Criminal Investigation Divisions. He has been most recently assigned to the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Operations Bureau.



Harwood W. Burritt

Captain Burritt has furthered his formal law enforcement education attending Essex Community College, the University of Maryland and the Southern Police Institute. He has also attended

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## Promotional And Command Changes Announced

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the "In-Service" training course sponsored by the Federal Bureau of Investigation at the Bureau's National Academy.

Captain Burritt will remain in his present assignment in the Operations Bureau office.

Captain Kelly, who has served the Department during the past twenty-two years in a variety of assignments, began his law enforcement career in the Northeastern District. Promoted to Sergeant in 1959 he served in the Northwestern District until his promotion to Lieutenant in 1966. He was then transferred to the Eastern District. In 1971 he was assigned to the Criminal Investigation Division.



James A. Kelly

Captain Kelly, who will remain in the Criminal Investigation Division, will head the Division's Crimes Against Property Unit.

Commissioner Pomerleau also announced a change in the assignment of several other command personnel. Captain Joseph G. DiCarlo was transferred to the Criminal Investigation Division and Captain Donald E. Einolf assumed command of the Southwestern District.

## Boys' Club Camp Purchased

The sound of a bat slapping a ball to waiting fielders; the splash of water as youngsters dive into a cool lake; the rich green of the trees, shrubs and grass. The sights and sounds of summer.

For many Baltimore youngsters the thought of such a summer vacation is only a daydream. Last year, as in every summer since 1945, that dream became reality for hundreds of Baltimore youngsters, as more than five hundred boys attended the Department's Boys' Camp at Fort Ritchie, Maryland.

The United States Army, donor of that section of Fort Ritchie used by the campers, announced that it would have to phase out the use of its facilities by the Department's Boys' Club following the 1974 vacation season.

On October 16, 1973 Baltimore Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau and Mr. Edward J. Vinnicombe, Jr., President of Buddies, Inc., announced that a new camp site had been purchased to replace the one located in the Catoclin Mountains.

The site is located on Route 23 at Deer Run, Harford County. The thirty acres of countryside had supported several camps in the past. A Girl Scout camp and a private camp for church groups were its most recent inhabitants. Plans for what the Department and Buddies hope will be a model boys' camp include barracks, athletic fields and a swimming pool.

Funds for the purchase of the location, a cost in excess of \$100,000, were collected by Buddies, Inc. During the first years of Buddies, Inc., a group formed in 1952 by Baltimore area businessmen, its members realized that the facilities at Fort Ritchie would eventually be unavailable for use as the Boys' Clubs' Camp. So, they began setting aside a portion of the funds which they raised from such events as "Colt Night" and the "Up With People" shows.

Future plans for the Camp include holding an "open house" to which all personnel of the Department and their families will be invited to inspect the new facility.

## Adult Foster Care Program Begun

The Department of Social Services recently announced that it is seeking both individuals and families who are willing to provide care for those persons unable to maintain themselves in their own homes. Mrs. Maud S. Harvey, Director of the Baltimore City Department of Social Services, stated in the announcement that the Social Services Department, through the inauguration of its Adult Foster Care Program, was attempting to provide home-care to those persons unable to help themselves because of their advanced age or because physical or mental disabilities have undermined their health.

The majority of persons in need of such aid are sixty years or older. Their needs, for the most part, consist of a room of their own, bath facilities and participation in family activities. Although some participants in the Adult Foster Care Program may be in need of some assistance while bathing or shaving, the program is designed for those adults who are capable of performing tasks of self-hygiene and self-care as bathing, shaving and dressing themselves.

Mrs. Harvey stressed the fact that special knowledge and facilities were not needed to provide care for the elderly adults. The most important role a host family would play would be to accept the elderly guest as a member of their family. A social worker will be made available to help both the guests and their hosts with any special problems which may arise.

The program calls for participating families and guests to choose each other. Should either party be dissatisfied with the match the arrangement can be ended.

Persons providing Adult Foster Care in their homes will receive \$110 per month. This sum will be used for food, shelter and care for the elderly. Medical expenses for the guests will be provided through the Medical Assistance Program, Medicare or a private plan.

Individuals interested in the Adult Foster Care Program can obtain further information by contacting the Department of Social Services at 234-2619 or 234-2141.

## NEWS NOTES

### Northern District Officer Honored

The Fifth Naval District, United States Naval Reserve, recently announced that it had selected Petty Officer Reuben J. Jackson as its nominee to receive the "Outstanding Enlisted Naval Reservist Award." The twenty-seven year old reservist, chosen from among seven thousand fellow reservists, is also a member of the Baltimore Police Department and is assigned to the Northern District.

Officer Jackson as a reservist serves as an assistant to the head of the Operations Department and also as a military counselor. On several occasions during his reservist career he has been commended for his leadership, individual effort, cooperation and teamwork. Among the reservist projects in which Officer Jackson actively participates is one which provides companionship and activities for the mentally retarded youngsters at Rosewood State Hospital.

The Department extends its congratulations to Officer Jackson on his achievement and continued success in his reservist career.

### Alcohol Safety Project Begun

The Alcohol Safety Action Project (ASAP), with the assistance of the Maryland Center for Public Broadcasting, has filmed a television "spot" in its effort to inform the public of the many problems created by the drinking driver. Using the facilities of the Carroll County General Hospital, the Center filmed one of nine "spots" which will be broadcast over local television stations.

The Maryland Center for Public Broadcasting and the Alcohol Safety Action Project together are working on a three year project aimed at reducing the number of alcohol-related accidents in the Baltimore metropolitan area. The "spots" rather than attempting to concentrate on the problem drinker him-

self are aimed primarily at the relatives and friends of the problem drinker. The project's message urges them to do something about their friend's drinking problem before it is too late for him or for someone else.

### Christmas Party Planned

Once again the holiday season draws near and, as it does, family get-togethers, office parties and social gatherings will abound. With its approach arrangements have been completed for the Department's Eighth Annual Christmas Party. The holiday festivities, which include a hot buffet, an open bar and a visit from Santa Claus as well as an evening of dancing, are scheduled to be held at Martin's West on the evening of December 14 between 8 p.m. and midnight.

Tickets, which cost \$8.00 per person, are still available. Tickets for the holiday affair and further information may be obtained by contacting the office of

Major Edwin L. Lawrence, extension 2076.

### FAA Certifies Radio Maintenance Facility For Helicopter

Another first for the Baltimore Police Department. Federal Aviation Administration Inspector Robert Koch presented Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau with the Federal Aviation Administration's "Approved Repair Station Certificate." Major Robert E. Norton, Director of the Communication Division was present as the certificate was handed to the Police Commissioner.

This certification and the additional certification of 10 Radio Technicians enables the Department to maintain and repair all radio equipment aboard its five helicopter units. Prior to certification all aircraft radio maintenance was performed by an outside contractor. This in-house capability increases the efficiency of service of our aircraft radios.

## Operation Friendship



Members of Menorah Lodge #771 recently announced that they will again sponsor Operation Friendship. The project, which has taken place annually since 1966, relieves some members of the Department from their duties on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, enabling them to observe the holiday with their families. Present at City Hall ceremonies during which the announcement was made were (from left to right) Edward Raskin, President Elect, Mayor William Donald Schaefer, Deputy Commissioner Frank J. Battaglia, Bernard Potts, Project Chairman, and Norman Hochberg, President.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**PROPERTY DIVISION** — A warm welcome to Senior Clerk Stenographer Cecilia Menas who has recently joined our Administrative Unit.

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — Narcotic Unit — Members of this Division and Unit express deepest sympathy to Detective Francis E. Baker of the Narcotic Strike Force on his recent loss.

**SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT** — This District bids a "fond farewell" to Captain Joseph DiCarlo and much success on his new assignment. We also wish a "welcome aboard" to our new Captain Donald E. Einolf.

Good bye and good luck to Police Officer James (Pat) Hallameyer who retired on November 1st.

Southern District's loss is our gain; welcome aboard to Lieutenant Harry Simmont and Sergeant James Freeman. Also, welcome aboard to Police Officers Michael Andrew, Nykola Hershan, John Rupertus, William McConnell and David Stuller.

Good luck wishes to Sergeant John Warren recently transferred to the Crime Control Team, Area I.

## Final Roll Call

**ORONSON, PAUL R., JR.**, Police Officer, active duty, Personnel Division, Casual Section, November 16.

**RILL, CHARLES L.**, Administrative Assistant, Northwestern District, active duty, November 18.

## *In Memoriam*

**BUCCOLA, FRANCES**, mother of Police Officer Jerome V. Buccola, Southern District, October 29.

**SAWOROWSKY, THERESA**, wife of Police Officer John Saworowsky, Southeastern District, November 12.

**HOFFA, GARY LEE**, brother of Detective Thomas Hoffa, Criminal Investigation Division, Property Crimes Section, Area I, November 13.

**ATKINS, DELLOTH**, mother of Detective Francis E. Baker, Criminal Investigation Division, Narcotic Strike Force, November 14.

**MANNING, MARGARET**, mother of Police Officer David E. Manning, Tactical Section, November 14.

**WRZESINSKI, MARTIN**, uncle of Police Officer Joseph Kaczmarek, Jr., Central District, November 15.

**ROBINSON, JOHN T.**, father of Major Bishop L. Robinson, Director, Central Records Division, November 15.

**WORDEN, EMORY, JR.**, brother of Police Officer Donald Worden, Northwestern District, November 15.

**KROUT, ETHEL**, mother of School Crossing Guard Shirley Williams, Central District, November 16.

**FOSLER, MARIE**, mother of Police Officer Joseph Fosler, Central District, November 17.

**WALKER, LILLIAN**, mother of clerk Dawn L. Thomas, Inspectional Services Division and Police Officer Edward L. Marston, Western District and mother-in-law of Police Officer Brad Thomas, Northwestern District, November 17.

**SHEPP, MARIE O.**, mother of Police Officer Albert Shepp, Central District, November 18.

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

## Decoy Squad

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Equipped with handie-talkie communications Decoy Squad supervisors direct their personnel to areas most likely to harbor street hoodlums. When the supervisor spots a possible violator he watches him as do other members of the squad. When the would be robber attempts to strike, he is immediately placed under arrest.

It is hoped that innovations like the Decoy Squad, in addition to the highly visible marked cruisers, will become more of a deterrent to the would-be street criminal. As the Decoy Squad moves from place to place within the Community it aims to make life miserable for the purse snatcher, auto thief, and the mugger. And it hopes to impress this type of person with the fact that it is impossible to outguess law enforcement.



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## Departmental Energy Conservation Measures Outlined



Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau

The present energy problems touch each of us both at home and while on duty. In order to assure enough fuel and energy to meet basic needs we must take steps to save wherever possible.

On November 28, 1973 I issued a Memorandum which outlines the basic steps to be undertaken by this Department as part of the conservation effort. The procedures now in effect are listed below for your information and guidance.

### VEHICULAR OPERATION

1. While on normal preventive patrol, or administrative/investigative assignments and while responding to non-emergency calls for service, officers shall drive consistent with posted speed limits.
2. All personnel should practice good driving habits, avoiding rapid acceleration and braking whenever possible.
3. Motorized patrol officers equipped with portable transceivers shall make every effort to carry out established policy whereby they will patrol on foot at various intervals during their tour of duty. While on foot patrol, officers are to park their vehicles near police hazards and remain in close proximity to facilitate rapid response to calls for service. The Communications Division dispatcher must be advised prior to going on foot patrol.
4. No departmental vehicle shall be left unattended with the engine running.
5. Whenever possible, consistent with the need for mobile preventive patrol, motorized patrol officers shall periodically assume visible fixed position surveillance of police hazards.

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## Graduation And Commendation Ceremonies Held

On Friday, November 30, 1973 graduation ceremonies for thirty-two probationary Baltimore Police Officers and three Annapolis Police Officers were held in the auditorium of the Headquarters Building. Present at the ceremonies were Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau, Baltimore Mayor William Donald Schaefer, the Honorable Robert C. Murphy and members of the Command Staff.

Judge Murphy, Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals for Maryland, delivered the commencement address to the graduates, their families and friends. Following his address to the assembly Judge Murphy assisted Commissioner Pomerleau and Mayor Schaefer as they distributed the certificates of completion to the graduates.

Preceding the ceremonies the graduates learned of their assignments within the Patrol Division. They are as follows: Central District — Officers Gary J. Fischer, Robert Franklin, Thomas S. Gross, Melvin H. Robinson and David E. Webb; Eastern District — Officers David T. Fair, Rufino J. Garcia, Victor L. Nicholson, William T. Nowakowski, Neill J. Sewell, James M. White and Karl G. Zephir; Northeastern District — Officer Eugene T. O'Sullivan; Northern District — Officers James K. Anderson, James A. Bowen, Leroy E. Crabb, John S. Sablowski, Paul V. Sacca and Gaetano T. Tumminello; Northwestern District — Officer James C. Shields, Jr.; Southeastern District — Officers Thomas M. Bailey, Jr., John M. Kobus, Jr., and Floyd A. Robinson; Southern District — Officer Matthew C. Knutsen; South-

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# Graduation Ceremonies Held

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western District — Officers Robert A. Bauer, Daniel E. Frame, John C. Keaveny and Joseph E. Lancaster, Jr.; Tactical Section — Officer Leroy M. Holcomb; Western District — Officers Gordon D. Deans, William Johnson and Roland L. Unger.

Commendation ceremonies, during which eighteen Baltimore Police Officers and four civilians received awards for outstanding service to the community, followed the formal graduation exercise.

*The Special Commendation is awarded for a display of exceptional courage, intelligence, alertness or skill in the performance of a highly creditable and unusual police accomplishment, resulting in the prevention or solution of a crime and the arrest of those responsible.*

Their informant had warned them of plans to rob a nearby savings and loan association during its evening business hours. Relying on this information Officers William McConnell and Cornelius Hairston, Crime Control Team, Area I, were paying special attention to the association. During one of their periodic checks they observed several suspects bolt from the front door of the savings institution, one of whom collided with a passing automobile. The driver, Officer Dennis Rogers who was off-duty at the time, immediately perceived that the individual who had struck his car was fleeing from a possible hold-up. Officer Rogers immediately gave chase. He identified himself as a police officer and commanded the suspects to halt. A volley of gunfire answered his command. As the hold-up team divided he continued his pursuit. Meanwhile, Officers McConnell and Hairston had cut-off two of the bandits' escape route and captured them recovering weapons and more than \$4,000 taken during the hold-up. For their part in the capture of the two suspects Officers McConnell and Hairston were awarded the Bronze Star. For his immediate action and selfless disregard for his own safety Officer Rogers was awarded the Department's Special

## Commendation.

The call over his police radio had directed him to the 1300 block West Pratt Street to investigate a shooting. As Officer Lawrence Despot arrived he saw two people lying in the street, bleeding from gunshot wounds. During the initial confusion one of the victims pointed out his assailant to Officer Despot. As he approached the gunman drew a revolver from his trousers and pointed it at the officer. Before further gunfire could erupt Officer Despot forced the gunman to surrender his weapon thus averting further injury to the victims or to the many onlookers who had stopped to watch the excitement.

*The Bronze Star is awarded when the circumstances involved in the police action exceed those set forth for the regular Commendation Award, but do not fully meet the requirements of the Special Commendation.*

As his unmarked unit slid to a stop in front of an East Baltimore pharmacy Detective Walter Meehan noted that he was the first officer to arrive at the hold-up scene. His immediate attention was directed to the victim. After he had calmed the victim he recorded as complete a description as possible to broadcast to nearby units. As Detective Meehan quickly finished this preliminary chore a citizen entered the pharmacy informing him that he had seen two males running in a nearby alley. Noting that they matched the victim's description he began to search the immediate area. During the search he spied two suspects fitting the pharmacist's description of his attackers. With gun drawn he confronted the two suspects, disarmed them and placed them under arrest without further incident.

A police officer had been killed and the investigation into his murder began immediately. Working around the clock Lieutenant Francis Elder together with Detectives Howard Corbin, David Shirey, Norbert Lesnick, Steve Danko, Robert Weaver, James Ozazewski, John Haase, Dominick Giangrasso and Officer Charles Smoot of the Central District conducted their homicide investigation, to uncover Officer Calvin Rodwell's assailant. One suspect was arrested almost

immediately after the Aisquith Street shooting. However, a second suspect was leading the investigators on a manhunt that led from one city hideout to another. After five days of intensive investigation and searching the suspect was apprehended and charged with the homicide of the slain officer.

The call was like so many others they had received, a street disturbance. As Southwestern District Officers Glenn Broussard and Terrence Harrington pulled their vehicle to the curb they spotted a man and a woman who had somehow become the center of a large crowd's attention. They quickly learned that a man, armed with a rifle, had threatened the pair a few moments earlier but had fled into a house across the street. As the officers approached the dwelling they were greeted by a stream of obscene language, verbal abuse and threats. A suspect, brandishing a rifle, stepped from behind a door pointing his weapon at the crowd and the officers. As they yelled to the crowd to take cover they rushed the distracted man and subdued him without further incident.

The traffic flowed smoothly through the intersection as Traffic Officer Herman Heidel paused on the sidewalk to survey the crowd of shoppers passing along North Eutaw Street. A shopper quietly approached him and pointed out a suspect responsible for a larceny a few blocks away. The suspect who had spotted Officer Heidel began to run through the crowd but was overtaken by the Traffic Officer a short distance away. As he was about to apprehend him a sharp flash of pain crossed the officer's face as the suspect stabbed him in the chin. Although stunned and bleeding from his wound Officer Heidel still managed to arrest his attacker with no further injury to himself or to several bystanders who had gathered on the busy street to watch the excitement.

Following the awarding of the graduation certificates and the commendation awards the graduates and their guests were greeted by Commissioner Pomerleau and members of the Command Staff at a reception in the fifth floor Canteen. During the reception the graduates and their families posed for photographers with Commissioner Pomerleau.

## NEWS NOTES

### *Opps!*

Recently, during a multi-alarm fire the red and white, Box 414 van was momentarily barred from the fire scene by an officer unaware of the Association's welcome support. The officer, misinterpreting the driver's explanation, thought that the truck was a commercial enterprise similar to the mobile, hot-dog stalls whose proprietors ply their trade throughout the downtown shopping district. For those who do not know of, or, who have never experienced the welcome relief that the Association's brightly numbered van brings when summoned, this short article is intended.

Box 414 is a volunteer organization which, upon request, will respond on any occasion during which the modicum of relief provided by its hot coffee, cold drinks, soup and sandwiches will be welcomed. In the past the volunteers who man the coffee wagon have rendered their service not only at fire scenes and during lengthy rescue operations but also during long searches for lost youngsters and even on election night as the ballots from the many polling places within the City are being delivered to the War Memorial. On each occasion the red and white van has been most appreciated by the many weary police officers and firefighters it has served.

### United Fund Campaign: A Success

The United Fund Campaign for 1973 has drawn to a close. Official figures, prepared by the Fiscal Affairs Division, have placed the total amount of monies contributed to the Campaign by members of the Department at \$24,052.39, a cumulative donation well-above last year's total contribution.

Although contributions were solicited from every member of the Department by means of payroll deduction cards, an active drive to support the Campaign was conducted in a number of units to increase participation. Through this effort several units achieved a member-participation per-

## Conservation Measures Outlined

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6. Engines of all vehicles not equipped with mobile transceivers shall be turned off when parked, attended in fixed position. During cold weather, of course it will be necessary to run the engine for that reason.

7. Travel beyond the Baltimore metropolitan area with departmental vehicles is to be minimized. Such trips may be made in departmental vehicles only with prior approval of the respective Deputy Commissioners. Such approval shall be based upon the merits of each circumstance. Commerical transportation (railroad, commerical airlines, buses) is to be used for those road trips not warranting the use of departmental vehicles.

### HEATING

1. Thermostats shall be maintained at 68 degrees Fahrenheit at all times in those departmental buildings, offices and appurtenances occupied twenty-four hours daily.

2. In offices not occupied during evening hours, weekends and holidays, the thermostats shall be reduced to 50 degrees Fahrenheit during the unoccupied period.

### ILLUMINATION

1. Lighting intensity shall be reduced in all departmental buildings. The Deputy Commissioner, Services Bureau, shall determine the reduction factor and instruct maintenance personnel to make the appropriate changes.

2. Lights shall be turned off in all offices when not in use.

3. Illuminated decorations, either interior or exterior, cannot be used this holiday season. All commanders, however, are encouraged to have appropriate non-illuminated decorations and to maintain as festive a holiday season atmosphere as possible.

These are some of the initial steps which have been taken to conserve energy. I know that some of you may know of additional ways in which we can effectively conserve fuel. I hope that you will make your suggestions known to me so that we can take advantage of your ideas.

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centage of more than 80% of their entire unit. In recognition of their efforts and generosity those units are listed below: the Office of the Police Commissioner, the Office of the Deputy Commissioner of the Administrative Bureau, the Fiscal Affairs Division, the Internal Investigation Division, the Planning and Research Division, the Criminal Investigation Division, the Youth Section, Community Relations Section and the Public Information Division.

Two Districts within the Patrol Division also distinguished themselves by achieving this high percentage of member participation. The two districts are the Central District with 95% of its personnel participating and the South-eastern District which attained 89% participation.

Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau expressed his appreciation to all those whose contributions of time, energy and money made the campaign a success.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT** — Best wishes for a speedy and complete recovery to Paul M. Grueninger, 10 year old son of Officer Melvin Grueninger. Paul recently had open heart surgery at Johns Hopkins Hospital. We are happy to report that his condition is good.

Welcome back to Lieutenant Elmer Turner who has been assigned to our Operations Unit.

**INTERNAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — Congratulations to Detective Ronald Collins and his wife, Louise, on the birth of their son, Kenneth, on November 11.

**CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — Property Crimes Section — Get well wishes and a speedy recovery to Sergeant John Vogl. Also, congratulations to Sergeant John Vogl and his wife, Eileen, who celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary on November 20. Here's hoping they have many more.

**Vice Section** — A speedy recovery to Detective George League who is now recuperating from recent surgery. He is a patient at Franklin Square Hospital. Get well quick; we all miss you.

**WESTERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Police Officer Roger Gore and his wife, Ruth, on the birth of their son, Brian Scott, on November

18, weighing 6 lbs. 11 oz.

**COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION** — This Division expresses deepest sympathy to Police Officers James D. Buckmaster, Jr., and Phillip C. Ferenc on their recent losses.

## Final Roll Call

**LYNCH, JOHN**, Police Officer, retired from Northern District, November 20.

**RILEY, THOMAS H. E.**, Sergeant, retired from Southern District, November 24.

**COLLINS, FREDERICK**, Clerk, retired from Police Department's Secretary Office (Fiscal Affairs Division) and brother of Police Officer James H. Collins, Services Bureau, November 24.

**SWINSON, WILLIAM L., JR.**, Chief Clerk, retired from Central District, and father-in-law of Police Officer Phillip C. Ferenc, Communications Division, November 26.

**OWENS, WILEY M., JR.**, Police Officer, Inspectional Services Division, Active Duty, December 1.

## In Memoriam

**PNIEWSKI, SOPHIA**, mother-in-law of Police Officer Francis R. Kavanaugh, Personnel Division, November 20.

**CARLINI, FRANCES**, mother of Police Officer Gerard Carlini, Southeastern District, November 23.

**BUCKMASTER, JAMES D., SR.**, father of Police Officer James D. Buckmaster, Jr., Communications Division, November 24.

**MIDGET, RAY**, brother-in-law of Police Officer Ronald Wright, Traffic Division, Alcohol Traffic Safety Unit, November 28.

**SCHIMINSKY, HELEN**, mother of School Crossing Guard Dolores Morris, Northern District, November 29.

**McCLOSKEY, MAYME**, grandmother of Police Officer Stephen Lehman, Southwestern District, November 30.

**WEAVER, DOROTHY**, sister of Police Officer Lawrence Lingner, Northeastern District, Retired Police Officers, John J. Lingner, Central District, Richard T. Lingner, Northwestern District & Communications Division, and Francis M. Lingner, Communications Division, daughter of the late retired Police Officer John C. Lingner, Central District, December 1.

**SCHUM, CLARA**, mother-in-law of Police Officer Richard Smolinski, Southeastern District, December 3.

**GABLER, MARY E. C.**, mother-in-law of Police Officer Albert J. Miller, Southeastern District, December 4.

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## Reflection

*As 1973 draws to a close we look back over the past 12 months and reflect on a number of things. This has been a year of continued improvement of the law enforcement effort in Baltimore.*

*There have been some difficult times too. The necessity of investigations internal to the Department became public knowledge as did the resulting actions.*

*Two of our brother officers who embarked upon the year with high hopes and aspirations were cut down by bullets before their hopes could be realized. We were saddened by their leaving.*

*1973 brought trips to various hospitals for visits to our officers who had put their lives on the line in the performance of their duties. We spoke with wives and loved ones and learned even more about devotion to duty and the fact that it is most often a genuine family affair.*

*All of us existed through the controversies of 1973. We shared the good times, the pride, the challenge and, yes, we shared the grief.*

*We now look forward to a new year . . . filled with anticipation as we get on with the job at hand. We know that challenges await us and we know that each of us will strive to meet these challenges in a professional manner.*

*During this holiday period I wish to thank each of you for your contributions toward the continued professionalism of this agency. I pledge to you my continued support of these efforts.*

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## Sailboat Crew Rescued

White-capped waves rocked the sailboat from side to side as the wind, growing more intense, swept across the Bay. Five hundred yards of cold water separated the boat and its two occupants from the safety of the shore. As the boat heaved from side to side, the possibility of its capsizing and throwing its two occupants overboard increased.

911 Unit, manned by Officer Robert Gronauer of the Southern District, easily spotted the forty-foot sailboat. It appeared to have run- aground about five hundred yards from shore. He immediately notified Communications of the situation which he realized was becoming more acute after he spotted

two passengers on-board the vessel. He requested immediate assistance from the Coast Guard.

Forty-four Foxtrot, overhearing the transmission, offered its assistance and quickly flew to the scene. Foxtrot hovered over the distressed craft but was relieved a short time later by Fifty-eight Foxtrot as its fuel supply ran low. Fifty-eight Foxtrot continued to circle over the sailboat until the Coast Guard arrived ready to aid the two occupants should the craft capsize.

In a matter of minutes the passengers were safely transferred from their boat to the Coast Guard vessel and taken to shore. Through Officer Gronauer's quick response and the support of the two helicopter crews the two badly shaken passengers were rescued without serious injury.

## K-9 Graduation Conducted

The white beam from the flashlight plays on the sides of the buildings in the alley as the police officer silently works his way from door to door, checking for any possible break-ins. A small, open window in a block long warehouse suddenly catches his attention. As he examines the window he notes several nicks and scrape marks on the window sill and even on the window itself. A burglar! The intruder could be on any of the warehouse's five floors. A request for K-9 assistance crackles over the police radio and within minutes a K-9 team is on the scene, ready to assist the patrol unit in his search for possible intruders.

On December 21, 1973 seven Baltimore Police Officers and two Frederick City Police Officers completed the final exercise of their fourteen week, K-9 training course. Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau attended the graduation exercise and distributed the certificates of completion to the graduating class.

The seven graduates, who will join the Department's K-9 Unit, are Officers James H. Birch and Tristan, Robert R. Buckingham and Saber, William P. Ethridge and B. J., Nathaniel Johnson and Major, Donald P. Smith and Bacchus, Edward D. Smith and Smokey and Randolph E. Wynn, Jr., and Sarge. Officers Wayne D. Beuchey and Raymond W. Mohler were the graduates from the Frederick City Police Department.

During the fourteen week training course the K-9 handlers and their dogs received extensive training in the maneuvers which they will employ during the execution of their daily law enforcement duties. The training included the proper procedures to be used when each team embarks on a search, whether it be a search of a building or a search for firearms or narcotic evidence.

Refreshments followed the graduation exercise during which Commissioner Pomerleau and members of the Command Staff offered their congratulations and best wishes to the officers and their families as they entered a new phase of their law enforcement career.

## Boy Scouts Sponsor Law Enforcement Day

As law enforcement agencies throughout the nation strive to meet the increased demands for efficient police service they find themselves confronted by several problems, problems demanding solutions before there can be an effective reduction in crime within their communities. One such problem requiring the constant and diligent attention of police agencies is that of police-citizen understanding. That effort be made so that citizens have the opportunity to learn of and understand the policies, services and ultimate goals of their police department is imperative for the reduction of crime. In its continuing effort to meet this need and to present itself to the citizens of Baltimore the Baltimore Police Department, once again, participated in a local law enforcement exhibition.

The Baltimore Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America presented its fifth annual Law Enforcement Day Program. Saturday, December 8th, was officially proclaimed by Baltimore Mayor William Donald Schaefer as Law Enforcement Day. The day's activities were concentrated in the War Memorial Plaza. The Scouts, in their day-long venture, were supported by volunteers from the Baltimore Police and Fire Departments as well as members of the Baltimore County and Anne Arundel County Police Departments and the Maryland State Police.

During the day-long presentation the Scouts actively participated in a number of projects relating to law enforcement. With the assistance of several lawyers, who had volunteered their time to attend the day's activities, the Scouts staged mock criminal trials. They also attended a variety of lectures dealing with juvenile delinquency, narcotics and dangerous drugs and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Participants in the day-long program were guided through several key governmental buildings. Included on the tour were City Hall, the People's Court, the Federal District Court, Fire Department Headquarters, and the Police Department's new facility.

In addition to the guided tours of the Headquarters Building the Department placed several pieces of equipment on exhibition. A marked patrol unit, a motorcycle and one of the Emergency Vehicle Units were on display throughout the entire day. A K-9 demonstration, by the Department's K-9 Unit, was also provided the Scouts and their visitors.

As the day's activities drew to a close leaders of the program felt assured that the more than two thousand Scouts in attendance had obtained not only a better understanding of the police officers who patrolled their neighborhoods but also a deeper knowledge of and respect for overall law enforcement at work within their community.

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## Blood Assurance Award Received

The Baltimore Police Department has, once again, received the 100% Plus Award from the Baltimore Chapter of the American Red Cross. The Award was presented the Department during the Chapter's Annual Blood Program Dinner held at Martin's West on November 13, 1973.

The Award is presented annually to those Blood Assurance Groups whose members have voluntarily donated more blood than their group obligation. The presentation marked the third occasion on which the Department was so honored.

Members of the Department have actively participated in the Blood Assurance Program since 1971. Through participation in this program each member is assured that his blood needs and the blood needs of his immediate family will be met in any health crisis. For its part, the Red Cross, during the past three years, has supplied more than 1,600 pints of blood to satisfy the blood needs of the Program's members and their families. Department donors have contributed 800 pints of blood annually to the Program.

The blood donated by Departmental personnel is part of the Red Cross' life-giving flow to persons suffering from leukemia, hemophilia, anemia and those needing blood transfusions during and following surgery. A single pint of blood

is often divided into four life-giving components supplying four different patients with the red, life-sustaining liquid.

Anyone who wishes to participate in the Department's Program can obtain additional information by contacting Captain William F. Rochford on extension 2569.

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## Lieutenant Lowman Retires

On November 28, 1973 Lieutenant Horace M. Lowman announced his retirement from the Baltimore Police Department. Lieutenant Lowman, who had completed thirty-one years of police service, administered the Department's K-9 Unit in his most recent assignment.

His colleagues in the Tactical Section helped him celebrate the occasion by holding a luncheon in his honor. During the festivities he was presented an engraved watch, a remembrance of the occasion from his many friends and co-workers.

Deputy Commissioner Frank J. Battaglia and Lieutenant Colonel Frank J. Serra, Chief of Patrol, were also on hand to offer their congratulations and best wishes for a happy retirement.

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## Holiday Schedule

The following dates are listed as holidays for the calendar year, 1974.

New Year's Day - January 1, 1974  
 Lincoln's Birthday - February 12, 1974  
 Washington's Birthday - Feb. 18, 1974  
 Maryland Day - March 25, 1974  
 Good Friday - April 12, 1974  
 Memorial Day - May 27, 1974  
 Independence Day - July 4, 1974  
 Labor Day - September 2, 1974  
 Defender's Day - September 12, 1974  
 Columbus Day - October 14, 1974  
 Veteran's Day - October 28, 1974  
 Election Day (Governor) - Nov. 5, 1974  
 Thanksgiving Day - November 28, 1974  
 Christmas Day - December 25, 1974

## Post Script

Dear Commissioner:

During the recent conference in Baltimore of the International Association of Fire Chiefs, I had the opportunity of speaking with many of them. Our visitors were high in praise of the courtesy and helpfulness of the Baltimore Police. I thought that you and your men would like to know that you "are appreciated."

Sincerely,

/s/ Henry G. Nathan

Dear Commissioner:

Thank you very much for permitting the students of the Institute of Notre Dame to visit the Police Department on November 8th. It was a very instructive tour, and the girls appreciated having such an opportunity.

We also wish to express our personal thanks to Major Bernard F. Norton for making the arrangements and to Dennis Hill for planning such an interesting tour.

Again, thank you to all of the members of the Police Department for your kindness to us.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Joan Renee Queen  
Student Chairman

Elizabeth G. Walsh  
Faculty Advisor

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**INTERNAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION** — We wish to extend our sympathy to Detective Sergeant Hugh Mills on the recent loss of his father-in-law, Mr. Anthony Pastarnkas.

**TRAFFIC DIVISION** — Congratulations to Police Officer and Mrs. David McGuire on the birth of a daughter, November 26, 1973, weighing 7 lbs. 8 oz.

Congratulations to Miss Linda Davidson on her engagement to Ronald Dabrowski.

Congratulations to Officer Eugene A. Crane, who recently celebrated his 20th Anniversary with the Department.

Sympathy is extended to Officer George Daniel on the recent loss of his brother-in-law, Mr. Walter Johnson.

**NORTHERN DISTRICT** — Congratulations to Officer Joseph W. Weber who has donated one quart of blood to the Red Cross during the past year.

Best wishes for a happy retirement to Administrative Assistant Libby Cooper and Senior Clerk Typist Martha Robinson who will be retiring January 1, 1974. Libby has been with the Department for twenty-five years, and Martha has been with us for twelve years. Good Luck!

**TACTICAL SECTION — K-9 Unit** — Congratulations to the seven officers and their four footed "partners" who

recently graduated from the Department's K-9 Training Academy. Welcome aboard to Officers James H. Birch and Tristan, Robert R. Buckingham and Saber, William P. Ethridge and B.J., Nathaniel Johnson and Major, Donald P. Smith and Bacchus, Edward D. Smith and Smokey and Randolph E. Wynn, Jr., and Sarge.

## In Memoriam

**JOHNSON, WALTER**, brother-in-law of Officer George Daniel, Traffic Division, November 26.

**BROWN, LAWRENCE E.**, step-father of Police Officer William Ethridge, Tactical Section, December 3.

**PASTARNKAS, ANTHONY**, father-in-law of Detective Sergeant Hugh Mills, Internal Investigation Division, December 5.

**HARVEY, FREDERICK**, husband of School Crossing Guard Dorena Harvey, Northwestern District, December 7.

**BARNHART, FLORENCE H.**, mother of Officer Ralph E. Barnhart, Communications Division, December 8.

**ROBERTS, IRENE**, mother of Police Officer Ronald Roberts, Southeastern District, December 11.

**BROWN, CHARLES**, grandfather of Officer Eugene Fritzel, Southern District, December 12.

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