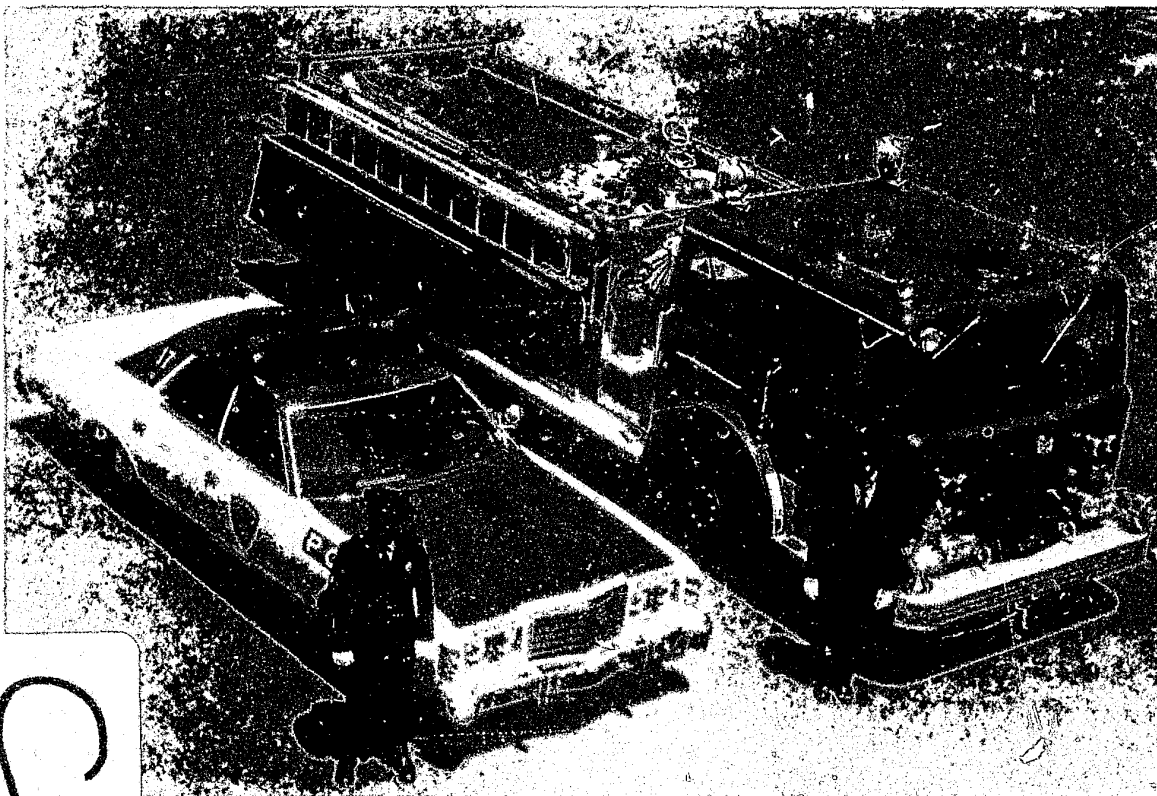


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William A. Rose

Joyce Gordon
Robert Ruger

It is my pleasure to submit the Annual Report of the Department of Public Safety for the fiscal year 1976-77.

This report is submitted in narrative form, statistics, graphs and photographs and is an account of the Departments of Police, Fire, Weights & Measures, Seizure and Impounding of Dogs and Other Animals, Transportation facilities, Auxiliary Police and Volunteer Fire Divisions; and includes reports from the Examining Board of Stationary Engineers and Examining Board of Motion Picture Operators.

The Department has attempted to accurately report a number of changes instituted during the course of the year. These changes, both administrative and "field" changes are designed to improve and meet the needs of the residents and transient population of the City.

Police Department statistics reveal that during the year 1976, the Police responded to 39,637 calls which included all crimes, complaints, services and aid calls compared to 39,195 in 1975 - an increase of 1.1%. The "CRIME INDEX" for our City during the year 1976 revealed a decrease of 13.9% from 16% in the previous year. Crimes against the person decreased 5% in 1976, while crimes against property increased 16% during the same period.

During 1976, the Fire Department responded to 1,690 alarms vs. 1,407 alarms in 1975, an increase of 20%. Fire losses for 1976 showed no significant increase. 1976 losses amounted to \$464,000 vs. \$447,480 in 1975.

May I take this opportunity to thank you and each member of the Council, as well as all City Department heads and employees, for their excellent cooperation throughout the year.

Sincerely,

JOHN M. DOLCE
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC SAFETY



SEATED

HONORABLE ALFRED DEL VECCHIO, MAYOR

STANDING LEFT TO RIGHT

MEMBERS OF THE COMMON COUNCIL

Harry Bright, Mary Ann Keenan, Michael A. Coffey, William A. Rose,
Joyce Gordon and Robert Ruger.



JUDGES OF THE CITY COURT

STANDING LEFT TO RIGHT:

Hon. James B. Reap
Acting City Judge

Robert J. Hecker
Associate City Judge

SEATED:

Hon. Santi L. Carnevali
Administrative City Judge

(NOT SHOWN) Hon. Paul H. Blaustein
Associate City Judge

MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL

SEATED, LEFT TO RIGHT:

Corporation Counsel Paul Bergins
Morton Zucker.

STANDING LEFT TO RIGHT:

Paul Richman
Anthony Grant



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
PHYSICIAN

Dr. Anthony Marano

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PUBLIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:

Carmine J. Motto, Dep.
Comm. of Public Safety -
William J. McMahon,
Fire Chief -
John M. Dolce,
Comm. of Public Safety -
J. Stewart Henry,
Chief of Police.

ASSISTANT TO COMMISSIONER

Betty Huntington, Assistant to the Commissioner of Public Safety, has just completed her forty-sixth year of dedicated service to the City of White Plains. She was first appointed to the Department on June 16, 1931. She was then promoted to Secretary on November 19, 1941, and Administrative Assistant on January 1, 1947.



On July 1, 1964, Betty was promoted to the position of Assistant to the Commissioner. In this capacity, she is responsible for the orderly flow of administrative and secretarial work that goes from the Department of Public Safety to the Police, Fire and all other City Departments. She advises the Commissioner on administrative matters regarding budget preparation, payroll, pensions, vacations, sick leave and a multitude of other paperwork involved in the running of the Department. She is truly an indispensable member of the Public Safety team.

Department of Public Safety

PUBLIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:

Bea Tefft, Stenographic Secretary -

Ceil Feldshon, Stenographer -

Dorothy Brennan, Senior Stenographer -

Rosanne Caldarolo, Clerk -

Margret Miller, Stenographic Secretary.

C I V I L I A N S T A F F

FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:

Irene Peppard, Senior Stenographer -

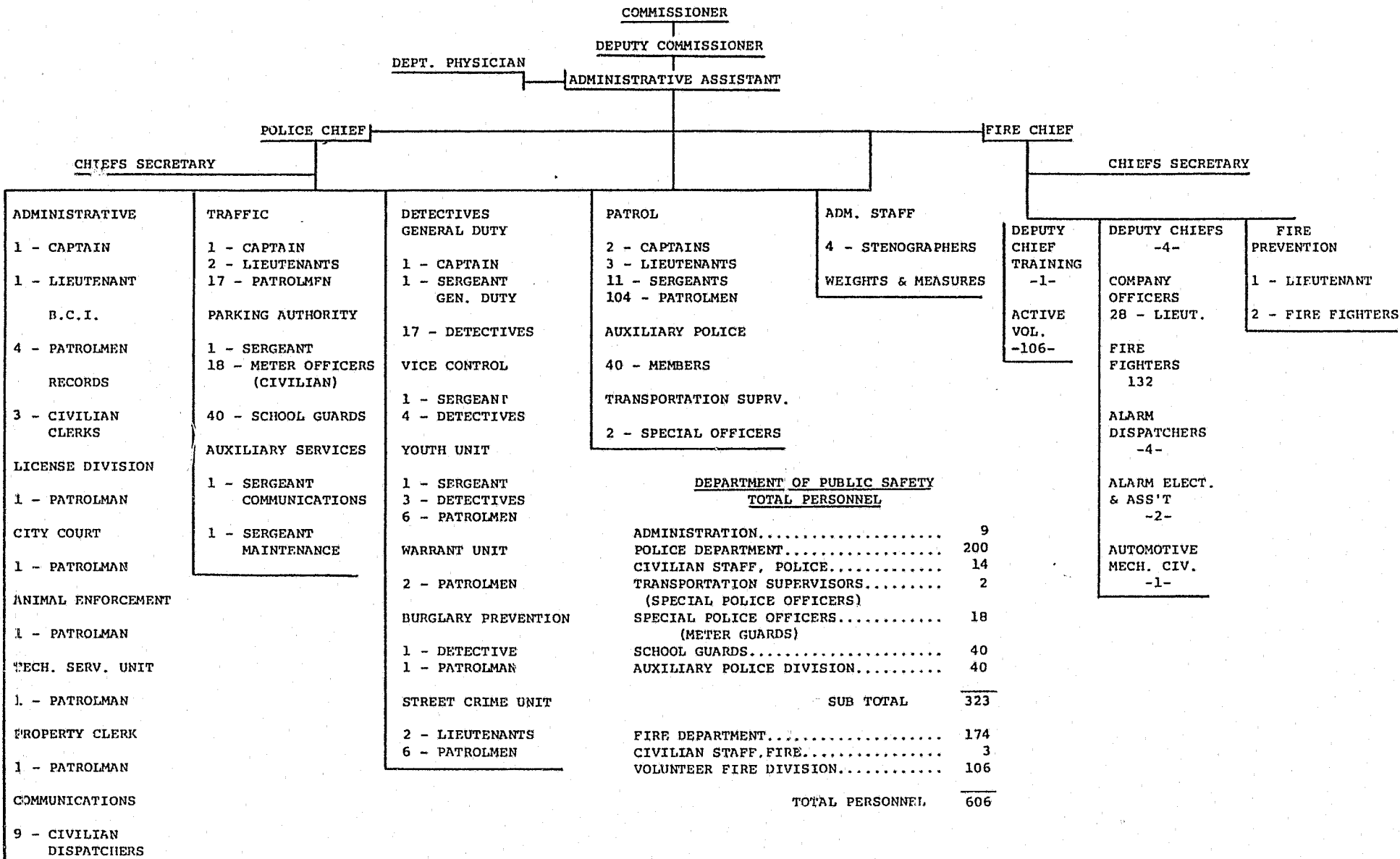
Louise Kelly, Clerk Typist -

Patricia Sgammato, Clerk Typist -

Constance Halstead, Switchboard Operator.







Department of Public Safety

PUBLIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

FEES COLLECTED

July 1, 1976 - June 30, 1977

Cabaret License	\$ 900.00
Coin Operated Laundry Establishment	250.00
Sound Device Permits	30.00
Taxi Driver License	4,130.25
Taxicab License	3,383.00
Stationary Refrigeration Engineer License Examination ..	250.00
Stationary Engineer License	1,340.00
Refrigeration Operation License	2,550.00
Motion Picture Operator License	60.00
Flammable Liquid Storage License	2,840.00
Flammable Liquid Installation License	400.00
Blasting Permits	140.00
Ammunition Storage	15.00
Explosives Storage	420.00
Christmas Tree Permits	78.00
Police Department Reports and Good Condcut Letters, Photographs and Miscellaneous	7,406.50
Transportation of Explosives	0
Miscellaneous (includes Bicycle Licenses)	40,644.68
Certificate of Registration-Fire Alarm System	25.00
Permit to Install Fire Alarm System	20.00
Finishing Shop Permits	<u>85.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 64,967.43

PUBLIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION



From Left to Right:

Eugene G. Stevens
Appointed: 1/24/77

John G. Daly
Retired: 7/1/76

BUREAU OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

On July 1, 1976, Mr. John G. Daly retired as Sealer of Weights and Measures; a position he held since September 22, 1969. During the interim between Mr. Daly's retirement and the appointment of a new Sealer, Commissioner John Dolce arranged for the County Department of Weights and Measures to perform the inspections of the weighing and measuring devices in the City of White Plains. Those duties relative to the enforcement of local ordinances such as rummage, going-out-of-business and auction sales, were handled by assigned members of the Police Department.

On January 24, 1977, Mr. Eugene G. Stevens was appointed as the new City of White Plains Sealer of Weights and Measures. This appointment was made on the basis of a grade score received on a written competitive examination prepared and rated by the New York State Department of Civil Service. Mr. Stevens was then given a period of indoctrination by Deputy Commissioner Carmine Motto, followed by actual field training under the guidance of veteran inspectors from the Office of the Westchester County Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Thus the transitional period in the Bureau was accomplished smoothly, with no adverse effects on the community. The citizens of White Plains were at all times protected in the Department of Public Safety's continuous attempt to obtain "full value" for every consumer dollar spent in the City.

Department of Public Safety

PUBLIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

BUREAU OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

REPORT OF INSPECTIONS

EUGENE G. STEVENS, SEALER

Scales found correct and sealed	551
Scales condemned for repair	29
Weights tested and sealed	58
Gasoline pumps tested and sealed	361
Gasoline pumps condemned for repair	44
Fuel oil trucks and bulk plant meters tested	12
Meters condemned for repair	0
Prepackaged food items checked before sale	4,977
Packages condemned for incorrect pricing and short weight	104
Perishable food merchandise inspected	3,815
Outdated products ordered removed from sale	214
Commodity label sign inspections found correct	4,658
Commodity labels found incorrect and removed from sale	68
Inventory inspections (Going-out-of-business, auctions, etc.)..	11
Sale signs and gasoline price signs in violation of City Ordinance removed	3
Notices of violations issued	8

A fat percentage test was conducted in all meat markets to ensure the fat content in hamburger did not exceed State Law.

PUBLIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION



From Left to Right:

Domonick Shiels, William Rice,
Roland Breault - Chairman &
Chief William McMahon.

EXAMINING BOARD OF STATIONARY ENGINEERS

The Examining Board of Stationary Engineers has the responsibility of licensing stationary engineers and refrigeration operators, to insure compliance with laws and ordinances governing operation of such equipment.

Stationary Engineers are licensed if found competent by due examination, given by the Chief of the Fire Department, and experienced to take charge of and operate a high-pressure steam generating plant.

Refrigeration Operators are licensed if found competent by due examination, given by Chief of the Fire Department, to take charge of and operate a refrigeration system of over fifty (50) ton capacity.

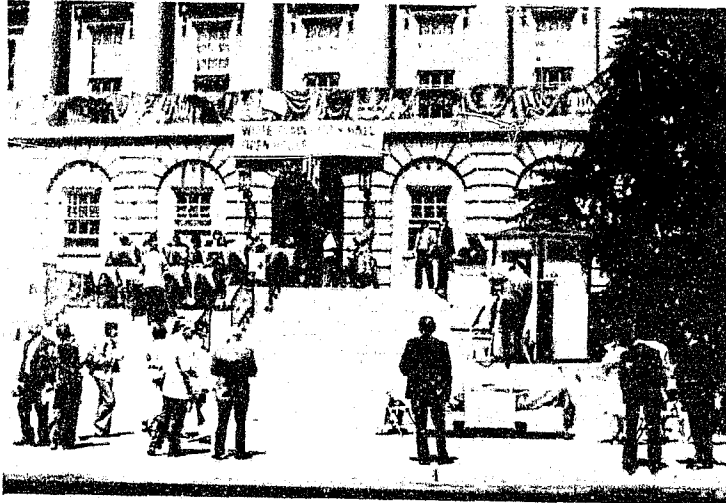
Examinations for Stationary Engineers and Refrigeration Operators licenses are usually administered once a month.

EXAMINING BOARD OF MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS

The Examining Board of Motion Picture Operators has the responsibility of licensing after an examination of the applicant's practical knowledge of motion picture apparatus, film, booths, equipment and the proper safety precautions to be used therewith, and the laws governing them.

Department of Public Safety

SPECIAL PROJECTS



PROSPECTUS '77

April of this year was known as Citizen Information Month - Prospectus '77 at City Hall. Under the Mayor's direction, members of the Public Safety Department set up displays and exhibits for Public view on April 25 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Personnel were assigned to stand by the displays to explain their function and answer any questions regarding Public Safety.

Sealer of Weights and Measures Eugene Stevens displayed various weights used in checking scales and other measuring devices in the City of White Plains. Members of the White Plains Fire Department showed slides on fire safety and prevention, and illustrated how to operate fire extinguishers and oxygen masks. Police Department personnel set up an exhibit of different weapons and narcotics. Also, Detective Robert Van Voorhies of the Burglary Prevention Unit was at City Hall with a complete set of locks and other security measures used during his surveys and lectures on security for homes and business establishments.

During Citizen Information Month at City Hall, Public Safety personnel were instructed to listen to any suggestions, complaints or questions that may arise. Prospectus '77 proved to be an informative experience for all who participated in this Public service.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

PROSPECTUS '77 cont'd



From left to right, Lieutenant Henry Rice and Detective Steve Hanak display different types of weapons, including a Thompson sub-machine gun.

At right, Detective Robert Van Voorhies explains various kinds of locks and bolts used to secure a resident or business establishment.



Pictured left is Detective Steve Hanak answering a citizen's questions about the Police Department's narcotics exhibit.

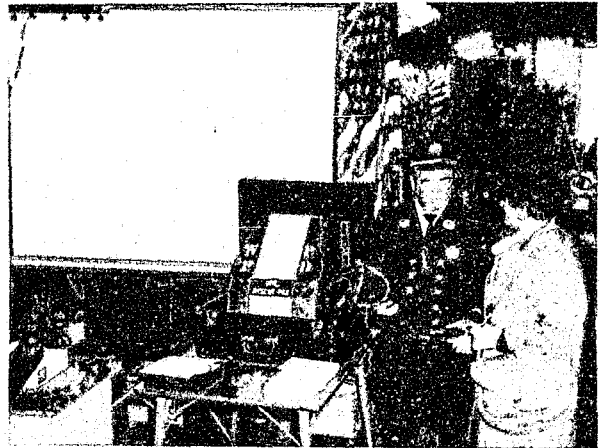
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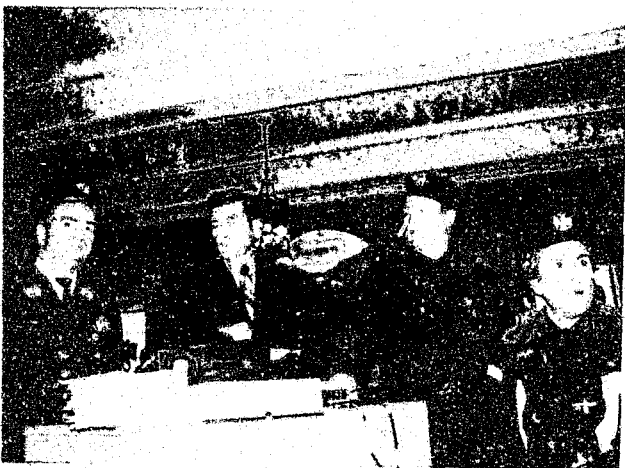
PROSPECTUS '77 cont'd



At left, Sealer of Weights and Measures Eugene Stevens explains the use of weights to check scales in White Plains.



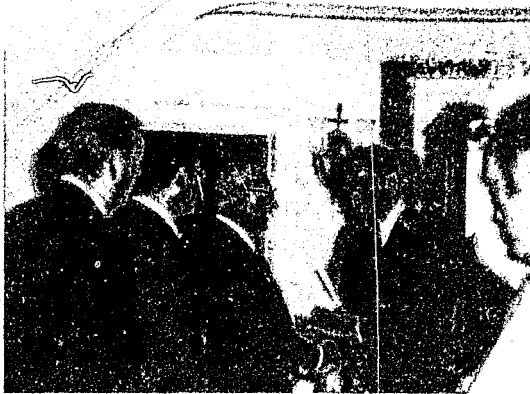
At right, Lieutenant William Van Bergen shows a citizen how to operate a face mask.



Pictured at left, Firefighters show slides on fire safety and prevention.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

PRESIDENT'S VISIT



At left , Mayor Alfred Del Vecchio presents President Ford with a book of White Plains, upon his arrival at City Hall last November. Commissioner of Public Safety John Dolce and his staff spent many hours of preparation to insure the safety and well-being of the President of the United States.

Pictured at right is Deputy Commissioner of Public Safety Carmine J. Motto greeting the President before his address to the Public. Also to the right of the President is Sheriff Thomas Delaney and Senator William Buckley.



At left, Police uniforms can be seen in the midst of a large and anxious crowd of citizens waiting to see President Ford. Special assignments were made to handle traffic and crowd control.

Department of Public Safety

SPECIAL PROJECTS



UNIFIED MEMORIAL SERVICE

The First Annual Department of Public Safety Unified Memorial Service was held this year at Mount Carmel Church in White Plains. City Officials and the general Public were invited to attend. The service was conducted in remembrance of the deceased members of the Fire Department, Police Department, Volunteer Fire Division, Auxiliary Police Division and School Crossing Guards. Prior to this, each Department held its own memorial service at various times during the year. In the future, the unified service will be held in a different place of worship each year.

Participating in this service and pictured third from right above, is Police Officer Alfred R. Impallomeni, Jr., the only Police Officer ordained a permanent deacon in the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New York. Officer Impallomeni is assigned to the Detective Division as the Security Investigator. He was ordained on June 19, 1976, following two years of study in the deacon program at St. Joseph's Seminary. He is now assigned as an assistant to Rev. Msgr. Cajetan J. Troy, Pastor of our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Yonkers.

Department of Public Safety

SPECIAL PROJECTS



POLICE CHAPLAINS INTER-FAITH CONFERENCE

The Police Chaplains Inter-faith Conference, sponsored by the White Plains Police Benevolent Association and held at Saint Matthew's Lutheran Church, was attended by Police representatives and Chaplains on June 22, 1977. Pastor Fred Schumacher prepared a very interesting itinerary which included a visit to White Plains Police Headquarters for a tour of the new Police communications system and a demonstration of the emergency life support system.

The above photograph shows a lecture given by a member of the New York City Police Department, who is a reformed alcoholic and is now part of the rehabilitation team.

Department of Public Safety

SPECIAL PROJECTS



TAXI STAND - WHITE PLAINS RAILROAD STATION

Up until March 31, 1977, the taxi stand at the White Plains Railroad Station was operated exclusively by one company, who had a contract with the White Plains Urban Renewal Agency. After April 1, 1977, the stand was opened to all local taxi owners.

The changeover presented many problems and necessitated meetings between the taxi owners and operators and the Public Safety Department. All the foreseeable problems were ironed out with a view to treating all the cab owners equally. It was necessary to institute new regulations and advise the Public via the News media and printed handouts at the railroad station.

The transition from private to public operated was made with a minimum amount of confusion. Above, taxicabs are shown lining up at the railroad station under the new regulations.

Department of Public Safety

SPECIAL PROJECTS

GRANTS RECEIVED BY PUBLIC SAFETY

The following is a complete list of State and/or Federal Grants received. Also listed are three grants which are now pending.

For the purpose of clarification, all grants listed as Federal were received through the Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) which is a State agency. DCJS receives its grant monies from the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA) a Federal agency.

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>DOLLAR AMOUNT OF PROJECT</u>	<u>YEAR</u>
Portable Radios	\$ 8,563.00 - Federal	1970
Community Relations Program	2,400.00 - Federal	1971
Video Training Phase I	6,666.00 - Federal	1971
Video Training Phase II	11,000.00 - Federal	1973
Vascar Speed Enforcement	10,108.00 - State	1973
Teletype Terminal Phase I	1,600.00 - State	1975
Teletype Terminal Phase II	2,400.00 - State	1976
MRD Radio System Upgrade	622,000.00 - Federal	1976
Youth Assistance Project	89,000.00 - Federal	1976
Facsimile Fingerprint Transmission	2,700.00 - State	1976
Court Security Uniformed Court Budget - Funds will increase over the next three years until we reach the maximum of \$32,000.00 per year.	5,000.00 - State	1977
Radar Driving While Intoxicated Enforcement Program	8,000.00 - State	1977

PENDING

Second Year Funding - Youth Assistance Project - Grant to be submitted July, 1977	90,000.00 - Federal	1977
Miracode Photo Classification System	54,000.00 - State	1977
Management Information System	560,000.00 - Federal	1977

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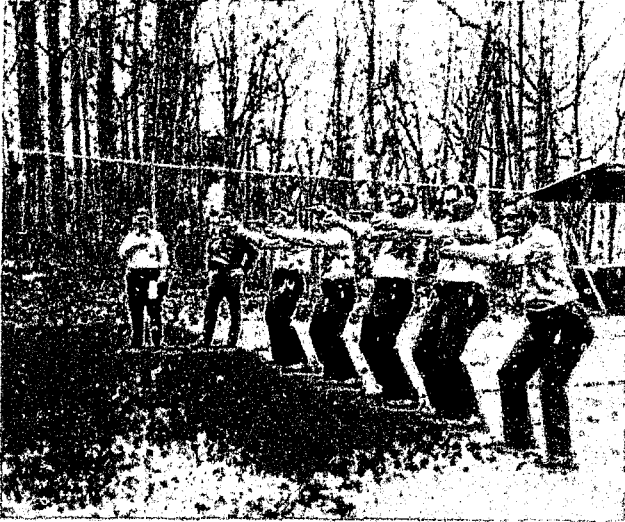
PERSONNEL



Captain Donald Westlake, at left in photo, is shown interviewing a member of the patrol force relative to his unscheduled time loss during the year. All members of the Department are interviewed annually by Patrol Captains, using computerized print-outs detailing an officers time loss history. Results to date have exceeded initial expectations.

	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>
Days lost due to illness or off-duty injuries	1,444	1,490
<u>Avg. Per Employee</u>	7.2	7.5
Days lost due to injuries sustained in line of duty	701	320
<u>Avg. Per Employee</u>	3.5	1.6
Days lost due to other reasons:		
Death in Family	47	61
Military Duty Obligations	71	66
Personal Leave Days	381	157
Compensatory Time off for off-duty court appearances and State Mandated days off for qualified Veterans	559	549
S.Total*	1,058	833
<u>Avg. Per Employee</u>	5.3	4.2
TOTAL UNSCHEDULED DAYS OFF	3,203	2,643
<u>AVE. PER EMPLOYEE</u>	16.0	13.3

TRAINING



Pictured at left are members of the Department undergoing annual firearms training and qualifications at the outdoor Police pistol range. Pistol training, in addition to marksmanship, consists of lectures on safety, the laws related to the justifiable use of force, and departmental regulations.

RECRUIT TRAINING

Eleven (11) probationary patrolmen attended the New York State Municipal Recruit Training School for the full eight week session. During one school, which was attended by Police recruits from almost every jurisdiction in Westchester County, the four members from White Plains received virtually all the class awards including Best Academic Average, Best Test Average and Firearms Award.

Nine (9) civilian dispatchers, who were hired on October 1, 1976, received an intensive eight week training course prior to their assignment to communications duties. At the completion of the formal training, the members underwent another three weeks in-service training under the supervision of veteran Police Officers.

IN-SERVICE TRAINING

Every member of the Department was given training in "City Ordinances", "New Communications Equipment", "District Attorney's Crime Reports", "First Aid", "Firearms Training" and "Patrol Responsibilities".

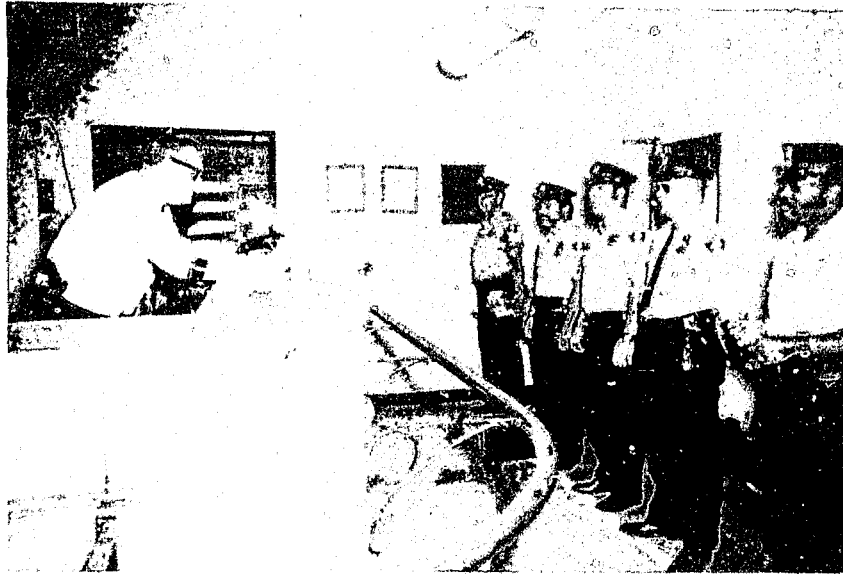
SPECIALIZED TRAINING

Two (2) Police Officers attended FBI sponsored training sessions in fingerprinting and police photography.

Three (3) Captains attended a training session in Managing Criminal Investigations, sponsored by the State Division of Criminal Justice.

One (1) Sergeant attended a Crisis Intervention course, sponsored by the Syracuse Police Department.

PATROL FORCE



FOOT PATROL

The "Cop on the Beat" has, perhaps, the most flexible duty in the Department. The Officers assigned to foot patrol are constantly being shifted from one area to another, as the need arises or is foreseen. Equipped with the new portable radio, their ability to respond to calls on their posts and their constant contact with Headquarters, has greatly increased their efficiency and value to the Department. The personal contact between the "Man on the Street" and the Officers on foot patrol is a most valuable asset to the Police Department.

RADIO MOTOR PATROL

The bulk of thousands of calls of crimes, aids and complaints that come into Headquarters yearly, are handled by the men assigned to radio cars. These radio motorized units are manned by veteran Police Officers who patrol the City streets 24 hours a day.

Currently, there are six patrol sections; each patrolled by its own sector car. Reinforcing these units are additional motorized units that patrol smaller sections, which often overlap the six patrol sections. Officers assigned to radio motor patrol are experienced in all facets of Police work, from checking the "dark house" to the initial investigation of a homicide. Above, Desk Lieutenant Wilson is shown taking roll call at the start of the tour.

PATROL FORCE

TRANSPORTATION SUPERVISORS

The transportation facilities are patrolled by uniformed Transportation Supervisors. These Special Officers are fully trained in all Police procedures and techniques, and are under the direct control of the Police Department. Their duties include the keeping of the peace, and the smooth flow of traffic in the area. Transportation Supervisors are armed and carry the new portable radios, enabling them to keep in constant contact with Headquarters. They are a reassuring sight to the commuters and the businessmen in the area.

VERTICAL PATROL

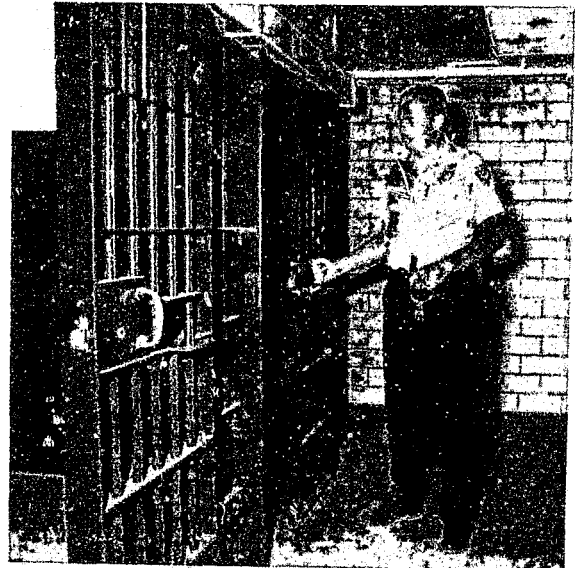
A special unit of 8 Police Officers, supervised by a Sergeant, patrols the City housing projects. Their primary duty is to enforce the Law and keep the peace. Along with these duties, they work closely with community groups and youth organizations to assure the residents that they are truly concerned about the community and its people.

PATROL DRIVER/JAILOR

An assignment to Patrol Driver's duties brings on a variety of responsibilities, the most important of which is the maintaining of the Police jail. The duties of this Officer include the housing and well being of all prisoners.

Other duties include the transportation of prisoners to and from the County jail, simple maintenance of Police vehicles, building security and the issuance of portable radios to the uniformed Officers. The Patrol Driver is also trained in the use of communications equipment, and can quickly fill in for communications personnel, should the need arise.

Pictured above is Police Officer Dennis O'Leary making a routine inspection of the male cell block, which contains twelve individual cells. During the calendar year 1976, 1,935 male prisoners were detained in this cell block.



PATROL FORCE



COMMUNICATIONS

Three Federal grants, which were completed during the fiscal year, have enabled the Department to complete a major upgrading of the all important Communications section.

The "Mobile Radio District (MRD)" grant, in the amount of \$ 621,000, provided the system hardware consisting of state of the art hardware - including digital communications which has initially reduced voice traffic by over 40%.

Civilian Dispatchers were hired under a \$ 90,000 grant to staff the Communications Section. The employment of these dispatchers enabled the Department to free five (5) Police Officers from Communications duties to patrol duties.

The \$ 4,000 grant for teletype upgrading has greatly improved the Department's information requirements via a computer terminal, providing the capability of querying state and federal information banks. The upgraded equipment will also reduce the Department's maintenance and overhead costs.

Pictured above in the remodeled Command and Control Center, are two of the Department's Civilian Dispatchers during a routine day tour.

Department of Public Safety - Bureau of Police

PATROL FORCE

CALLS RESPONDED TO BY PATROL FORCE :

	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>% Inc./Dec.</u>
AIDED CASES	4,052	3,447	+ 18 %
AUTO ACCIDENTS	2,686	2,602	+ 3 %
BICYCLES, Lost, Stolen, Found, Recovered	247	334	- 26 %
BOMB SCARES	41	55	- 25 %
BURGLAR & HOLD-UP ALARMS	2,458	2,208	+ 10 %
COMPLAINTS, Noise, Youths, Other	3,057	3,331	- 8 %
DISTURBANCES	2,497	2,601	- 4 %
FIRE ALARMS	1,076	839	+ 28 %
INTOXICATED PERSONS	383	1,014	- 62 %
LICENSE PLATES	214	219	- 2 %
LOST OR FOUND PROPERTY	631	594	+ 6 %
NON-EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE	128	178	- 28 %
OPEN DOORS, Found by Police	474	384	+ 23 %
PARKING/TRAFFIC	1,294	1,710	- 24 %
PROWLER CALLS	97	129	- 25 %
PUBLIC WORKS, Referrals & Emergencies	216	259	- 17 %
REPORTS OF CRIMES & OFFENSES	5,092	4,325	+ 18 %
REPOSSESSED AUTOS	32	43	- 26 %
STOLEN CAR RECOVERIES	293	294	+ 17 %
SUSPICIOUS CARS, PERSONS, OR NOISES	2,355	2,425	- 3 %
ALL OTHER CALLS	372	357	+ 4 %
TOTAL	27,695	27,303	+ 1 %

PATROL FORCE
AIDED CASES

	1975	1976	<u>% Increase or Decrease</u>
<u>ALCOHOL RELATED ILLNESSES</u>	0	131	--
<u>ANIMAL BITES</u>	177	165	- 7 %
<u>ASSAULTS</u>			
Aggravated - 38 (1975 - 63)			
Non-Aggrav.- 212 (1975 -264)	327	250	- 24 %
<u>ATTEMPTED SUICIDES</u>	21	11	- 48 %
<u>DEAD ON ARRIVALS (DOA)</u>			
All Cases	68	84	+ 24 %
<u>ILLNESS</u>			
Cardiac - 240 (1975 - 189)			
Epileptic - 69 (1975 - 96)			
All others - 1,023 (1975 - 821)	1,106	1,256	+ 14 %
<u>INJURIES</u>			
Fall, public - 261 (1975 - 245)			
Fall, private - 263 (1975 - 256)			
All others - 339 (1975 - 270)	771	939	+ 22 %
<u>MATERNITY CASES</u>	41	41	0 %
<u>MENTALLY DISTURBED PERSONS</u>	115	118	+ 3 %
<u>MISSING PERSONS</u>	216	289	+ 34 %
<u>NARCOTIC-RELATED ILLNESSES</u>	43	30	- 30 %
<u>POLICE OFFICERS INJURED ON-DUTY</u>	50	76	+ 52 %
<u>PRISONERS ILL OR INJURED</u>	92	108	+ 17 %
<u>ALL OTHER AIDED CALLS</u>	420	554	+ 32 %
<u>TOTAL ALL</u>	3,447	4,052	+ 18 %

CALLS RESPONDED TO BY PATROL FORCE

	1975	1976	<u>% Increase or Decrease</u>
<u>BICYCLES</u>			
Stolen or lost	281	209	
Recovered or found	53	38	
	<u>334</u>	<u>247</u>	- 26 %
<u>BOMB SCARES</u>			
Commercial	32	22	
Homes	3	2	
Schools	16	10	
Theaters	1	0	
Others	3	7	
	<u>55</u>	<u>41</u>	- 25
<u>BURGLAR ALARMS</u>			
Banks	327	467	
Homes	559	671	
Commercial	1,044	1,008	
Other	278	312	
	<u>2,208</u>	<u>2,458</u>	+ 10 %
<u>COMPLAINTS</u>			
Noise Complaints	804	661	
Youths congregating	1,248	1,099	
Fireworks Complaints	118	167	
Mini-bike complaints	73	123	
Door-to-Door Salesman	79	73	
Animals, barking, at large	663	531	
All other complaints	346	403	
	<u>3,331</u>	<u>3,057</u>	- 8 %
<u>DISTURBANCES</u>			
Family Disputes, no arrest	1,096	1,056	
Family Disputes, arrest	97	91	
Landlord-tenant dispute	105	124	
Business-customer dispute	323	334	
Fight, no arrest made	510	351	
Fight, arrest made	38	30	
Other disturbances	432	511	
	<u>2,601</u>	<u>2,497</u>	- 4 %
<u>FIRE ALARMS</u>			
False alarm, no arrest	147	228	
False alarm, arrest made	11	6	
All other fire alarms	681	840	
	<u>839</u>	<u>1,076</u>	+ 28 %
<u>INTOXICATED PERSONS</u>			
Reported by the public	573	316	
Reported by police	441	67	
	<u>1,014</u>	<u>383</u>	- 62 %
<u>LICENSE PLATES</u>			
Reported lost or stolen	191	189	
Found or recovered	28	25	
	<u>219</u>	<u>214</u>	- 2 %

CALLS RESPONDED TO BY PATROL FORCE

	1975	1976	<u>% Increase or Decrease</u>
<u>LOST AND FOUND</u>			
Lost property reports	330	364	
Items of found property	264	267	
	594	631	+ 6 %
<u>NON-EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE</u>			
Locked out of home	136	100	
Stuck in elevator	42	28	
	178	128	- 28 %
<u>OPEN DOORS FOUND BY POLICE</u>			
Secured by owner	103	91	
Secured by police	281	383	
	384	474	+ 23 %
<u>PARKING/TRAFFIC COMPLAINTS</u>			
Scofflaw vehicles towed	241	213	
Abandoned vehicles towed	108	90	
Cars blocking driveway	236	140	
All other parking complaints	425	234	
Traffic complaints	700	617	
	1,710	1,294	- 24 %
<u>PROWLERS</u>			
No apprehension made	124	95	
Apprehension made	5	2	
	129	97	- 25 %
<u>PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS</u>			
Downed wires	31	75	
Water main breaks	39	30	
Trees down	26	44	
Flood conditions	14	19	
Con Edison matters	50	42	
Other public works matters	92	0	
	259	216	- 17 %
<u>STOLEN CAR RECOVERIES</u>			
Stolen locally, recovered local	109	109	
Stolen elsewhere, recovered WP	51	66	
Total recovered locally	160	175	
Stolen locally, recovered elsewhere	89	118	
	249	293	+ 17 %
<u>SUSPICIOUS PERSONS</u>			
Suspicious cars	267	285	
Suspicious persons	950	891	
Suspicious noises	92	121	
Suspicious conditions	1,033	1,055	
All others	83	3	
	2,425	2,355	- 3 %

ANALYSIS OF RADIO CALLS

<u>RADIO CALLS BY MONTH OF YEAR</u>	<u>NUMBER OF CALLS</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL CALLS</u>
JANUARY	2,169	7.83 %
FEBRUARY	2,108	7.61
MARCH	2,148	7.76
APRIL	2,247	8.11
MAY	2,406	8.69
JUNE	2,748	9.92
JULY	2,576	9.30
AUGUST	2,371	8.56
SEPTEMBER	2,093	7.56
OCTOBER	2,257	8.15
NOVEMBER	2,277	8.22
DECEMBER	<u>2,295</u>	<u>8.29</u>
TOTAL RADIO CALLS	27,695	100.00 %

<u>RADIO CALLS BY DAY OF WEEK</u>		
MONDAY	4,040	14.59 %
TUESDAY	3,905	14.10
WEDNESDAY	3,949	14.26
THURSDAY	3,988	14.40
FRIDAY	4,426	15.98
SATURDAY	4,016	14.50
SUNDAY	<u>3,371</u>	<u>12.17</u>
TOTAL RADIO CALLS	27,695	100.00 %

<u>RADIO CALLS BY HOUR OF DAY</u>		
12:00 MN to 12:59 AM	1,232	4.45 %
1:00 AM to 1:59 AM	938	3.39
2:00 AM to 2:59 AM	706	2.55
3:00 AM to 3:59 AM	550	1.99
4:00 AM to 4:59 AM	379	1.37
5:00 AM to 5:59 AM	364	1.31
6:00 AM to 6:59 AM	347	1.25
7:00 AM to 7:59 AM	<u>593</u>	<u>2.14</u>
* Sub-Total *	5,109	18.45 %
8:00 AM to 8:59 AM	1,141	4.12
9:00 AM to 9:59 AM	1,236	4.46
10:00 AM to 10:59 AM	1,276	4.61
11:00 AM to 11:59 AM	1,316	4.75
12:00 PM to 12:59 PM	1,455	5.25
1:00 PM to 1:59 PM	1,431	5.17
2:00 PM to 2:59 PM	1,488	5.37
3:00 PM to 3:59 PM	<u>1,451</u>	<u>5.24</u>
* Sub-Total *	10,794	38.97
4:00 PM to 4:59 PM	1,717	6.20
5:00 PM to 5:59 PM	1,612	5.82
6:00 PM to 6:59 PM	1,553	5.61
7:00 PM to 7:59 PM	1,436	5.19
8:00 PM to 8:59 PM	1,442	5.21
9:00 PM to 9:59 PM	1,532	5.53
10:00 PM to 10:59 PM	1,391	5.02
11:00 PM to 11:59 PM	<u>1,109</u>	<u>4.00</u>
* Sub-Total *	11,792	42.58
TOTAL ALL RADIO CALLS	27,695	100.00 %

OFFENSES KNOWN TO POLICE

NATIONAL INDEX CRIMES	1975 -	1976	% Increase or Decrease
Murder	0	4	+ 100 %
Rape	3	2	- 33
Robbery	85	74	- 13
Burglary	526	612	+ 16
Aggravated Assault	63	38	- 40
Auto Theft	239	273	+ 14
Larceny	<u>2,282</u>	<u>2,639</u>	<u>+ 16</u>
* S.Tot. National Index Crimes *	3,198	3,642	+ 14 %

OTHER FELONIES

Arson	2	4	
Criminal Mischief	40	35	
Dangerous Drugs	25	63	
Dangerous Weapons	6	7	
Forgery	40	36	
Gambling	18	4	
Possession Stolen Property	17	39	
Misc. felonies	<u>12</u>	<u>1</u>	
*S.Tot. Other Felonies *	160	189	+ 18.1%

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Assault, non-aggravated	264	212	
Criminal Mischief	1,123	1,397	
Criminal Trespass	32	45	
Dangerous Drugs	111	167	
Dangerous Weapons	13	8	
Disorderly Conduct	260	352	
Driving While Intoxicated	46	30	
Escape	2	3	
Fraud	3	7	
Gambling	31	29	
Local Ordinances	26	13	
Loitering	3	8	
Possession burglars tools	9	1	
Possession stolen property	33	58	
Public order, offenses against	17	12	
Public Intoxication	574	1	
Sex offenses	5	7	
Theft of services	4	18	
Vehicle & Traffic Offenses	43	51	
Misc. Misd. & viol. 21-12-1-1-4-110	<u>107</u>	<u>149</u>	
* S.Tot. Misd. & Viol. *	2,706	2,568	- 5.1 %

TOTAL ALL 6,064 6,399 +

1976 NATIONAL INDEX CRIME RATE INCREASE + 0 %

1976 WHITE PLAINS CRIME RATE INCREASE + 14 %

ANALYSIS OF INDEX CRIMES

ASSAULT

TYPE OF ASSAULT	NUMBER OF OCCURRENCES	
	1976	1975
Firearm	3	4
Knife or cutting instrument	15	17
Other dangerous weapon	11	16
Hands, fists, feet, etc. - aggravated injury	9	26
Other assaults - simple, not aggravated	<u>212</u>	<u>264</u>
TOTAL	250	327
	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>
Number of cases cleared by arrest or exceptional means	194	247
Percentage of cases cleared	78 %	76 %

AUTO THEFT

TYPE OF AUTO THEFT	NUMBER OF OCCURRENCES	
	1976	1975
Autos	265	235
Trucks	2	2
Other Vehicles	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>
TOTAL	273	239
	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>
Number of cases cleared by arrest or exceptional means	27	17
Percentage of cases cleared by arrest	10 %	7 %

BURGLARY

PLACE OF OCCURRENCE	NUMBER OF OCCURRENCES	
	1976	1975
Residence (Dwelling)		
Night	98	71
Day	181	123
Unknown	116	80
Non-residence (Store, Office, etc.)		
Night	135	121
Day	15	11
Unknown	<u>67</u>	<u>120</u>
TOTAL	612	526
	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>
Number of cases cleared by arrest or exceptional means	147	109
Percentage of cases cleared	24 %	21 %

LARCENY

TYPE OF LARCENY	NUMBER OF OCCURRENCES	
	1976	1975
Pocket-Picking	107	74
Purse-snatch	42	58
Shoplifting	314	340
From Motor vehicle	1,059	642
Motor vehicle parts & accessories	185	144
Bicycles	171	230
From building	546	613
From coin-operated machine	29	39
All others	<u>186</u>	<u>142</u>
TOTAL	2,639	2,282
	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>
Number of cases cleared by arrest or exceptional means	614	692
Percentage of cases cleared	23 %	30 %

ROBBERY

PLACE OF OCCURRENCE	NUMBER OF OCCURRENCES	
	1976	1975
Highway (Street, alleys, etc.)	41	51
Commercial house	9	8
Gas Station	0	3
Chain Store	3	0
Residence (anywhere on premises)	8	12
Bank	1	1
Miscellaneous	<u>12</u>	<u>10</u>
TOTAL	74	85
	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>
Number of cases cleared by arrest or exceptional means	31	28
Percentage of cases cleared	42 %	33 %

RAPE

TYPE OF RAPE	NUMBER OF OCCURRENCES	
	1976	1975
Rape by Force	2	3
Attempts to commit forcible rape	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	2	3
	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>
Number of cases cleared by arrest or exceptional means	2	2
Percentage of cases cleared	100 %	67 %

1976 ARRESTS

ARRESTED AND CHARGED WITH :	AGE OF ARRESTED PERSON									SUB TOTAL
	10 & Und.	11 - 12	13 - 14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
<u>INDEX CRIMES</u>										
Murder	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Robbery	0	0	1	5	2	3	1	1	0	13
Aggrv. Assault	0	0	1	0	1	2	2	2	0	8
Auto Theft	0	0	2	10	5	2	0	3	1	23
Larceny	4	15	34	34	28	37	34	17	21	234
Burglary	0	0	2	6	3	2	7	9	3	32
S.Total	4	15	40	55	49	46	44	32	26	311
<u>OTHER OFFENSES</u>										
Other Assaults	0	5	4	2	2	2	4	5	2	26
Arson	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	0	1	7
Forgery	0	2	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	7
Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stolen Property	0	2	2	5	3	6	12	7	6	43
Vandalism	0	1	1	0	4	7	3	3	2	21
Weapons	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
Sex Offenses	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Drug Violations	0	0	1	3	21	13	12	28	14	92
Gambling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Driving w/intox.	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	1	6
Disorderly Conduct	0	1	2	5	4	5	13	16	12	58
All Others	0	0	5	13	12	5	10	9	11	65
For Other Auth.	0	0	0	1	1	2	3	4	4	15
Bench Warrants	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	1	5
S.Total	0	11	21	33	49	41	62	76	55	348
TOTAL	4	26	61	88	98	87	106	108	81	659

ARRESTED AND CHARGED WITH :	AGE OF ARRESTED PERSON									SUB TOTAL
	21	22	23	24	25 - 29	30 - 39	40 - 49	50 - 59	60 - up	
<u>INDEX CRIMES</u>										
Murder	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	1	0	4
Rape	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Robbery	1	0	0	2	8	5	0	1	0	17
Aggrv. Assault	0	2	0	2	7	6	5	2	0	24
Auto Theft	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	3
Larceny	36	19	16	25	69	51	29	17	6	268
Burglary	2	5	7	2	10	5	1	0	0	32
S.Total	39	26	25	31	97	69	35	21	6	349
<u>OTHER OFFENSES</u>										
Other Assaults	2	1	2	1	10	14	4	4	3	41
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Forgery	3	0	0	2	11	3	2	1	0	22
Fraud	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3
Stolen Property	2	8	7	6	21	8	1	0	0	53
Vandalism	2	1	2	2	5	7	3	2	4	28
Weapons	1	1	3	0	2	1	5	0	0	13
Sex Offenses	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	0	5
Drug Violations	17	11	12	21	53	20	2	2	0	138
Gambling	0	0	0	1	4	5	12	7	3	32
Driving w/intox.	1	0	1	1	5	3	6	5	2	24
Disord. Conduct	15	18	18	14	69	71	36	22	30	293
All Others	13	6	24	15	46	39	21	17	31	212
For Other Auth.	3	3	5	3	16	23	10	3	3	69
Bench Warrants	1	3	1	3	10	12	2	1	2	35
S.Total	60	52	75	69	257	208	104	65	78	968
TOTAL	99	78	100	100	354	277	139	86	84	1,317

TOTAL ALL AGES 1,976

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SIGN SHOP

Sergeant Michael Kennedy and Mr. Jim Wright of the Planning Department are shown from left to right, placing the new White Plains Police Department insignia on a Police vehicle.

The Police Department Sign Shop is responsible for the fabrication and installation of all street signs, parking restriction signs and directional signs.

Other duties include the installation and maintenance of all traffic control devices within the City, as well as the painting of street pavement markings and parking space markings.

FIXED POSTS

The six traffic division patrolmen assigned to fixed posts work staggered shifts to provide more flexibility in the allocation of personnel. This allows for maximum manpower during the peak hours, when traffic control is most needed - between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m., and again during the evening hours of 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Also taken into consideration for assignment purposes, are those days which bring a larger than normal influx of shoppers into the downtown shopping area of the City - one of the more popular shopping centers in the metropolitan region. These busy days include the days and weeks preceding holidays, such as Easter, Christmas, Thanksgiving and summer vacation. In addition, the streets and sidewalks of White Plains are filled with busy shoppers every Saturday of the year.

ANIMAL ENFORCEMENT UNIT

The one Police Officer assigned to the Animal Enforcement Unit investigated 531 animal related complaints this year, as compared with 663 complaints in 1975. During the reporting period, a total of 156 summonses were issued for violation of local ordinances on animal control.

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SPEED ENFORCEMENT

Pictured at left are two Traffic Division Police Officers using radar and vascar units to enforce the speed limit in the City of White Plains. During 1976, 405 summonses were issued for violations of the speed ordinance. The men assigned to this Unit were responsible for the majority of summonses issued; and it is their duty to survey City streets to determine where and when most violations of the ordinance occur.

MOTORIZED PATROL

The six patrolmen assigned to this Unit are detailed to patrol the business area of the City of White Plains. It is their responsibility to remove any obstacles that may impede the free and safe movement of traffic. This Unit is equipped with two three-wheel motorcycles and four compact type motor vehicles, both of which allow easy access to places where full size vehicles would experience difficulty. Their duties include enforcement of various City ordinances, including double parked cars and the ordinance prohibiting U-turns in specific areas. In addition to routine traffic enforcement duties, this Unit is available for immediate response to any incident or condition which requires the assignment of additional Police personnel.

MAINTENANCE

The one Sergeant assigned to this Unit prepares a weekly service schedule for oil changes, lubrication and safety inspections on all forty Police vehicles in the City garage. This procedure is performed at one to two thousand mile intervals on each vehicle. Other duties include maintenance and repairs on electronic sirens, pursuit lights, radio equipment; and emergency equipment such as flares, first aid, etc.



At right, Radio Technician Sergeant John Batchie, who has recently completed intensive training courses in repair of state of the art radio communications equipment, is shown making a radio repair in the Department's fully equipped in-house maintenance facility.

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PARKING ENFORCEMENT UNIT

Sergeant Michael Furilla is the liaison Officer between the Police Dept. and the Parking Authority. This Officer is responsible for the discipline, training and supervision of 15 Parking Guards and 1 permanently assigned Police Officer. This Unit is responsible for the enforcement of all parking meters, and in conjunction with the Police, all other non-moving violations within the metered areas. During 1976, this Unit issued a total of 99,640 summonses - an increase of 10,652 summonses, and a 12% increase from the previous year (exclusive of parking notices in parking garages).



The Sergeant assigned to the Parking Authority is also the administrator and coordinator of the Scofflaw Tow Away Program, in connection with the Summons Bureau through City Court. During 1976, 238 vehicles were towed from parking garages, parking lots and City streets; for a total of 6,957 summonses. Fines levied by City Court totalled \$ 44,119.

Police Officer George Goulart, while assigned to the Scofflaw Unit for the year 1976, served 581 Criminal Summonses in Westchester County - totalling 7,018 violations, and executed 12 Scofflaw Warrants - totalling 312 violation; an increase of 1,732 violations over the preceding year. At the end of each tour, this Officer completes the information and/or arrest slips corresponding with the days work; and from time to time, is responsible for the execution of Criminal Warrants in connection with the Warrant Division.

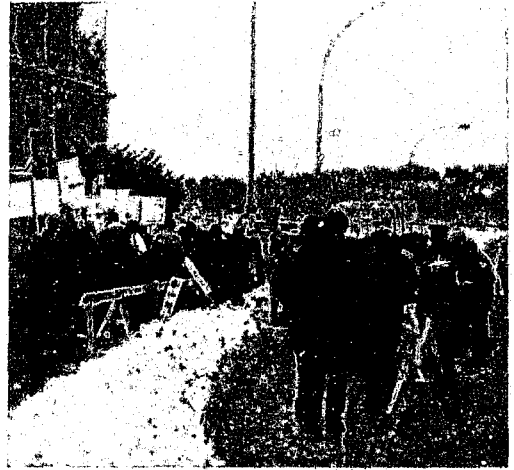
Pictured above is Sergeant Michael Furilla giving instructions to five members of his unit, before they begin their patrol.

SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS

School Crossing Guards have become an integral part of school crossing protection programs throughout the Country. Today, 40 Crossing Guards are on duty in the City of White Plains, helping protect the lives of youngsters as they go to and from school. As an important member of the Public Safety team, Crossing Guards have always displayed a high standard of performance, which has served as an inspiration to students. Lieutenant Earl Brown, a member of the Police Department's Traffic Division, is assigned to supervise the operations of the School Crossing Guards, and to conduct the necessary training programs as well.

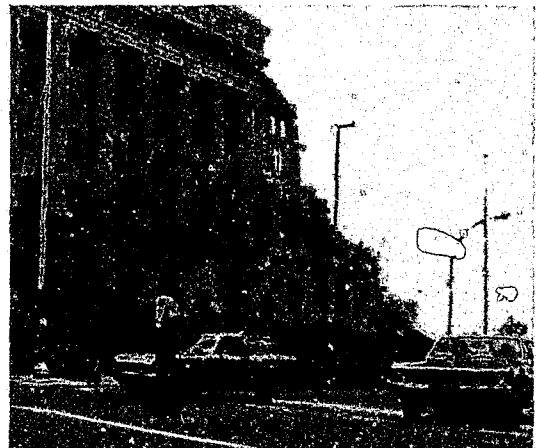
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Pictured at right, construction workers picket to tear down the Old Courthouse. During the demonstration, Traffic Division Police Officers were detailed to traffic and crowd control duties.



The partially demolished RKO Theater is pictured at left. Special assignments were made to detour traffic away from the building, after a portion of the structure collapsed.

At right, Traffic Division personnel were assigned to direct traffic at Main and Court Streets during demolition of the Old Courthouse.



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PERSONAL TICKETS ISSUED

<u>MOVING VIOLATIONS</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>EQUIPMENT VIOLATIONS</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>
Speeding	229	405	Muffler Violations	27	16
Red Light	787	582	Tire Violations	27	24
U-Turn	464	362	Light Violations	39	56
Full Stop	116	72	Brake Violations	7	7
Improper turns	219	217	Other Equipment	10	12
Pavement markings	58	28			
Fail to comply	2	45	* S.Total	110	115
One-Way Street	67	60			
Fail to Yield	25	17			
School bus Viol.	20	21			
	<u>1,987</u>	<u>1,809</u>			

LICENSE/REGISTRATION

Driver Lic. Violations	306	262
Registration Violations	222	156
Inspection Violations	324	133
Lic. Plate Violations	53	35
Insurance Violations	191	137
	<u>1,096</u>	<u>724</u>
* S.Total		

CITY ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS

Dog Violations	156	210
Littering Violations	6	5
Taxi Ordinance Viol.	9	16
Noise Ordinance Viol.	5	10
All Other	4	2
	<u>180</u>	<u>243</u>
* S.Total		

PROCESSED FOR CITY COURT

Scofflaw Summonses	229	489
All other summonses issued by City Court	76	124
	<u>305</u>	<u>613</u>
* S.Total		

MISCELLANEOUS

Misc. Parking	32	32
All others	36	91
	<u>68</u>	<u>123</u>
* S.Total		

	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>
TOTAL ALL	3,746	3,627

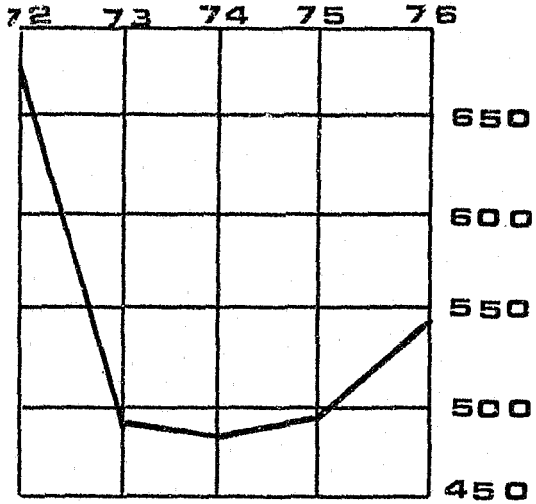
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PARKING TICKETS ISSUED

<u>VIOLATION</u>	<u>1976 TICKETS ISSUED BY:</u>			<u>1975 TICKETS ISSUED BY:</u>		
	<u>POLICE</u>	<u>METER MD.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>POLICE</u>	<u>METER MD.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Double Parking	1,031	271	1,302	1,000	244	1,244
Restricted Parking	2,147	760	2,907	2,619	854	3,473
Overnight Parking	38,073	0	38,073	36,674	0	36,674
No Parking Zone	10,792	3,049	13,841	12,835	2,918	15,753
Meter Violations	15,709	73,839	89,548	0	81,554	81,554
Overtime Parking	15,141	18,834	33,975	30,324	139	30,463
Bus or Cab Stand	453	472	925	1,029	605	1,634
Loading Zone	581	1,107	1,688	1,784	1,356	3,140
Sidewalk Parking	715	115	830	857	123	980
Blocking Driveway	210	145	355	409	191	600
Blocking Crosswalk	89	238	327	314	253	567
Blocking Hydrant	249	100	349	343	127	470
12 Inches From Curb	109	266	375	421	333	754
Miscell. Violations	2,066	444	2,510	2,942	291	3,233
TOTAL ALL	<u>87,365</u>	<u>99,640</u>	<u>187,005</u>	<u>91,551</u>	<u>88,988</u>	<u>180,539</u>

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AUTO ACCIDENTS WITH INJURIES

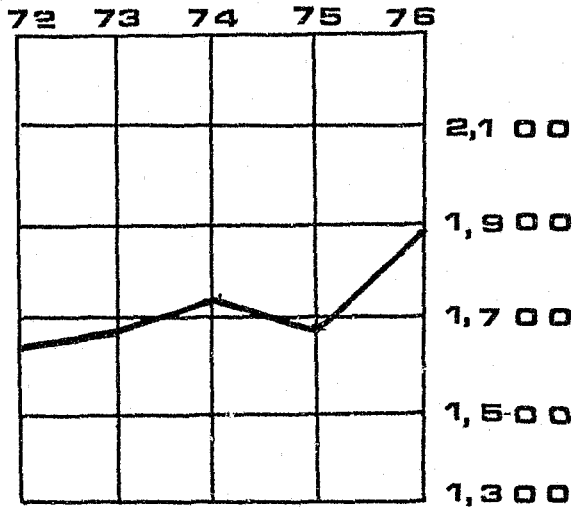
1976 - 542 accidents (3 persons killed, 766 injured)
 1975 - 494 accidents (3 persons killed, 682 injured)
 1974 - 475 accidents (2 persons killed, 647 injured)
 1973 - 496 accidents (9 persons killed, 658 injured)
 1972 - 572 accidents (2 persons killed, 815 injured)

<u>TYPE OF ACCIDENT</u>	<u>1 9 7 6</u>	
	<u>FATAL</u>	<u>OTHER INJ.</u>
Overtuned	0	6
Other Non-Collision	0	6
Pedestrian	1	101
MV in Transport	0	321
Parked Motor Vehicle	0	16
Bicyclist	1	34
Fixed Object	1	54
Other Object	0	1
TOTAL	3	539

AGE OF PERSON KILLED OR INJURED

<u>AGE</u>	<u>NO. KILLED</u>	<u>NO. INJURED</u>
0 - 9	0	37
10 - 19	2	134
20 - 24	0	122
25 - 34	0	126
35 - 44	0	99
45 - 54	1	89
55 - 64	0	70
65 - up	0	89
TOTAL	3	766

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ALL REPORTED ACCIDENTS

1976	1,895
1975	1,696
1974	1,708
1973	1,577
1972	1,555

<u>LIGHT CONDITION</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>FATAL</u>	<u>INJURY</u>
Daylight	1,361	2	381
Dawn or dusk	88	0	26
Darkness	437	1	131
Not stated	9	0	1
<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>1,895</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>539</u>

<u>ROAD SURFACE CONDITION</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>FATAL</u>	<u>INJURY</u>
Dry	1,460	1	412
Wet	315	1	103
Snowy or icy	100	1	21
Other	10	0	2
Not stated	10	0	1
<u>TOTALS</u>	<u>1,895</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>539</u>

AUXILIARY SERVICES

LICENSE DIVISION

The License Division investigates and processes all applicants for various licenses and permits required by local ordinances and State laws. The two Officers assigned to this Division conduct background checks on all applicants through our own Bureau of Criminal Identification and the New York State Department of Criminal Justice Services in Albany, via the Police teletype system. Inspections of licensed rooming houses and taxicab fleets are also conducted to insure compliance with City regulations. Newly licensed taxi drivers are shown a movie regarding the Civilian Radio Motor Patrol. The purpose of this patrol is to enable taxi drivers to notify the Police Department of emergency situations and criminal actions, by means of radio communication. Pictured above is Police Officer Peter Day, processing an application for a taxi license.



APPLICATIONS PROCESSED (requiring fingerprints, criminal history and background)

	<u>1975</u>	<u>1976</u>
Taxi Drivers Licenses	440	497
Taxi Drivers attending movie		154
Gun Permits	76	72
Peddlers	25	45
Gun Dealer Licenses	2	2
Window Cleaners	35	56
Miscellaneous	<u>96</u>	<u>105</u>
Total	674	931

OTHER APPLICATIONS PROCESSED (fingerprinting not required)

Taxi Owner Licenses	126	126
Bicycle Licenses	772	674
Dog Census	3,779	3,601
Motor Vehicle Revocations	99	135
Voter's Checks	291	
School Children Survey Maps		15
Fingerprints (citizenship, naturalization, security, armed forces induction prints)		190
Engraving Machine Services		<u>38</u>
Total	5,067	4,779

AUXILIARY SERVICES

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The Police Officers assigned to the highly technical Bureau of Criminal Identification have the responsibility of fingerprinting and photographing all persons arrested. As mandated by Federal and State Law, they must prepare and maintain all forms and records used for identification. This section also coordinates with the Detective Division in the photographing and evidence processing of major crime scenes.

Technical services are extended to other city agencies, and when required, fingerprinting services are performed for residents of the City for licensing, employment, passport, immigration and other official purposes. Complete arrest criminal history galley files are maintained by this Bureau. Pictured above is civilian employee Patricia Sgammato.



RECORDS DIVISION

The updated system instituted in this Division has well advanced in the complex work of coding, computer banking and recording control of the ever increasing volume of police service reports and records.

The monumental task of transferring over two million Department records into condensed microfilm form has made satisfactory progress, without interruption of the daily intake and process of records and reports.

In the first five months of 1977, over 500 fingerprint record cards of persons arrested for offenses requiring fingerprinting under Law, were transmitted over the DatalogPhotofax Fingerprint Facsimile transmitter. This machine is located in the Records Division and transmits via telephone lines directly to the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services in Albany. The Datalog reproduces a facsimile print in Albany where it is classified, and a criminal history record is returned to this Department over the teletype system. Above, Records Division staff are shown processing the daily departmental reports, which will later be entered into computer memory for statistical analyses and reporting.

AUXILIARY SERVICES



Pictured at left is Police Officer John Burton assigned to the Technical Services Unit - His motto - "Good Training, Good Service".

TECHNICAL SERVICES UNIT

With the implementation of advanced communications systems and visual display data teletype terminals, the training of personnel to effectively operate this equipment was one of the many programs this Unit engaged in this past year. Civilian personnel attended 120 hours of classroom training, plus two weeks of actual equipment training to operate both the new teletype system and the new digital radio communications.

The use of television equipment helped to bring further visual information and continuous in-service training to the members of this Department, and to other police agencies throughout the County as well. During the past year and with the cooperation of CONRAIL, a video tape was made on ways to effect rescue and protect emergency personnel when responding to emergencies on railroad electrified right of ways, especially in the White Plains area.

CITY COURT LIAISON

One Police Officer is assigned to City Court to act as liaison between the Police Department, City Court and the District Attorney's Office. It is his duty to prepare the daily court calendar and supply the Court with any criminal history of the defendant. A final disposition of each criminal case is supplied to the Police Records Division, where it becomes a permanent record of the defendant. This Officer is also responsible for the return to Court of any defendant being detained at the County jail in lieu of bail. He assists in the transfer of prisoners from the detention cells to Court detention areas and maintains order and decorum while Court is in session.

AUXILIARY SERVICES



Pictured at left is microfilm clerk Phyllis Subklewe filming some of the hundreds of thousands of documents that are required by law to be kept on file, either in original form or in microfilm storage.

MICROFILM

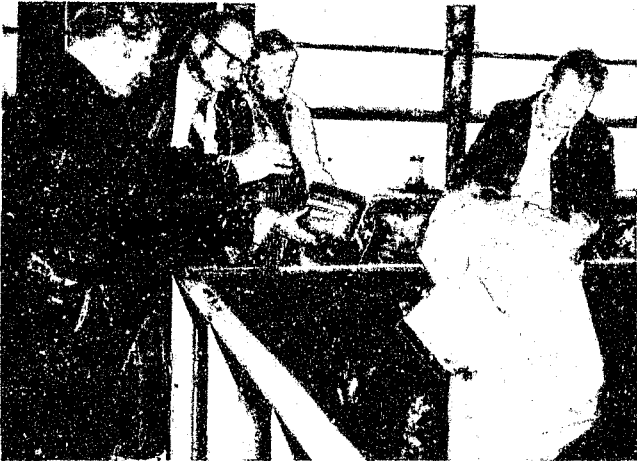
Approximately one year ago, the Police Department instituted a microfilming system to condense and secure all records for future reference. This modern and economical system has enabled the Police Department to keep a complete file of all written reports and photographs previously maintained in file pockets and case folders. The condensation of these files will save storage space, and at the same time, allow for the speedy extraction of information.

Last summer, three college students were hired, through the City of White Plains Summer Intern Program, to aid Police personnel in the tedious task of transferring records from the old filing system to the new microfilming system. At present, one civilian microfilming clerk, hired under the federally funded Anti-recession Program, has the responsibility of photographing and labelling records for microfilming storage.

After an image has been photographed and developed, the microfilm is placed in six by four inch jackets which are labelled and filed numerically. Below is a brief chart illustrating the number of records microfilmed to date.

Number of Images Photographed	120,000
Number of Jackets Filled	14,000
Number of Jackets Labelled	12,500

AUXILIARY SERVICES



Pictured from left to right are Police Officer R. Zwicker, New York State Narcotics Inspectors and Property Clerk Richard Dunphy involved in the disposal of narcotics.

PROPERTY CLERK

The City of White Plains Police Property Clerk Unit, instituted in 1974, is now fully operational with over 9,000 items of property and evidence recorded, documented and inventoried. All incoming items are categorized into eight classifications: money, narcotics, jewelry, firearms, large street goods, small street goods, blood and bicycles.

The Property Clerk, known as the P.P.C., is a member of the Department who is assigned to the Street Crime Unit and part-time to the Property Clerk office. Due to the tremendous influx of items to the Property Clerk, the Officer assigned is now engaged in purging the system of any items that can be legally disposed of, either by adaption to Police use, or by destruction.

To date, 710 handguns and 88 rifles were melted down; and evidence in over 835 narcotics cases were disposed of by incineration. This process is accomplished under the supervision of the New York State Inspector's office and the White Plains Police Department.

After many lengthy investigations, the Property Clerk has been successful in returning over 300 items and over \$ 6,000 in cash to the rightful owner.

DETECTIVE DIVISION



THE DIVISION

The primary function of the Detective Division is the prevention of crime, the detection and arrest of criminals, the locating of missing persons and the recovery of stolen property.

This Division is composed of one Captain, two Lieutenants, three Sergeants, twenty-three Detectives, eleven Patrolmen, two Policewomen and one Civilian Clerk.

Numerous offenses come to the attention of the Police which require extensive investigation. The duties of the detectives supplement those of the Patrol Force; and the coordination of these divisions is an important function of the Police Department supervisory staff. Criminal investigation and crime prevention are a high priority on the list of Detective Division duties.

Above, Civilian Clerk Louise Kelly and Detective Sergeant Michael Harrington are shown in front of the Photo-Identified file.

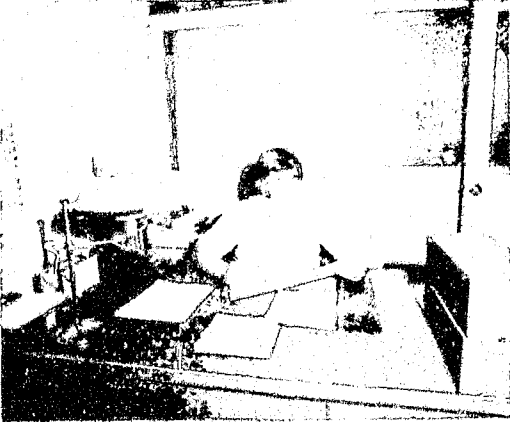
STREET CRIME UNIT

The Street Crime Unit, composed of one Lieutenant Supervisor, six plainclothes Officers and one Policewoman, can be defined as a kind of buffer between the Uniformed Patrol Force and the Detective Division. While the Street Crime Unit covers a full range of Police functions from homicide to harrassment, a good deal of their time is spent working on stake-outs and decoy situations. During the fiscal year 1976-77, the Street Crime Unit made 216 arrests and recovered \$ 37,342.40 in property - including nine stolen automobiles.

VICE CONTROL UNIT

The Vice Control Unit, operating as a specialized team composed of one Sergeant and six Detectives, has been responsible for the arrest and conviction of hundreds of persons involved in violation of the laws related to gambling, drug abuse and illicit sales of liquor. This Unit, using the latest Police equipment - including photographic surveillance, electronic surveillance and the use of undercover personnel, has helped to stem the tide of vice within the City of White Plains.

DETECTIVE DIVISION



SECURITY INVESTIGATOR

One Police Officer is assigned to this Unit, with the responsibility of investigating all applicants for positions in the Department of Public Safety, and in certain positions in other City Departments. This Officer conducts a thorough background investigation which includes; a personal interview, verification of education qualifications, an interview of friends, neighbors and relatives, and interviews of past employers. Local, State and National agencies are checked for any criminal record of the applicant and his/her family. The information obtained by the Investigating Officer is held in strict confidence, and is reviewed only by the Department Head who has requested the initiation of the investigation. Pictured above is Police Officer Alfred Impallomeni, assigned to complete all Security Investigations.

During 1976, the following Security Investigations were conducted by this Unit: Department of Public Safety (civilians) - 18; Police Department - 28; Fire Department - 12; and other City employees - 19.

WARRANT UNIT

The one Police Officer assigned to this Unit administers and maintains warrant files, subpoena files and appearance ticket files. This unit executes Arrest Warrants and Bench Warrants issued by the White Plains City Court, New York State Family Court, United States Armed Forces and other local courts outside the City of White Plains. The Warrant Unit also works in conjunction with the Pre-Trial Services of Westchester County in a follow-up program, which provides assistance in locating and returning fugitives to court.

<u>Warrants:</u>	<u>Received 1976</u>	<u>Disposed of 1976</u>
White Plains City Court	506	135
Family Court	156	61
Other Courts	71	18
Armed Forces	8	2

<u>Subpoenas:</u>	<u>Processed 1976</u>
Grand Jury	361
City Court	118
Other	2

CRIME ALERT

WHITE PLAINS POLICE

PREVENT CRIME



BURGLARY PREVENTION UNIT

The Burglary Prevention Unit has continued its effort to educate the Public in the prevention of burglaries. This Unit, headed by Detective Robert Van Voorhies, has made free surveys available to all places of business in White Plains. Home owners and apartment dwellers are also offered the same service.

In addition, the men assigned to this Unit contact victims of burglaries in an attempt to help them secure their premises from further entry, while the crime is still fresh in their minds.

Last year, the Burglary Prevention Unit surveyed 175 commercial premises and 86 private homes and apartments. After each inspection, appropriate recommendations were made.

Above, Detective Van Voorhies and Police Officer Edmund Kardauskas are shown surveying the front entrance of a residence.

SEE OR HEAR SOMETHING SUSPICIOUS

Dial POLICE - 946-6000

DETECTIVE DIVISION



POLICE BOYS' AND GIRLS' CLUBS

Ten years ago, the Department of Public Safety organized the White Plains Police Boys' Club. The popularity of this Club grew so quickly that a year later, the Girls' Club was created through the cooperative efforts of the Police Department and the White Plains YWCA.

As in the past, the staff of the Boys' Club is composed of members of the White Plains Police Youth Unit and other Officers who volunteer their time to supplement the program. The staffing and facilities for the Girls' Club come primarily from the YWCA, with the close cooperation of the Youth Unit Officers.

The two Clubs have been designed to provide the youth of the community with the opportunity to have informal contact with the Police, in the hope that the sharing of common goals and pleasurable experiences will build positive rapport and understanding.

In previous years, the emphasis of the two Clubs has been placed mainly on the sports activities; but in an effort to attract the youngsters who are not sports oriented, and to foster better individual contact between the Police and the Youths, educational and recreational field trips have been planned.

Recently, the White Plains Police Boys' Club purchased athletic mats, boxing equipment and an eight station weight training machine pictured above.

DETECTIVE DIVISION



Pictured at left are Plainclothes Police Officers Joyce Munera and Richard Panella, assigned to the Youth Unit.

YOUTH UNIT

The Youth Unit, which has traditionally been charged with investigating juvenile crime and processing and referring all delinquent youths under sixteen years of age, has seen its manpower doubled during the past year (from five to ten officers). This has enabled the Unit to expand its range of services. In addition to those duties already mentioned, the Youth Unit now conducts the Youth Guidance Program which is designed to identify, give support to, and provide guidance for predelinquent youngsters or youths who have committed minor offenses.

The Youth Unit also conducts a course in Criminal Justice at White Plains High School. This course has been so well received by the students that the enrollment is being doubled for the coming academic year (77-78). The course was developed through close cooperation between the Police Department and school officials and is being offered as a half-year elective in the Social Studies Department. It is a survey course which relies heavily on guest speakers from different areas in the Criminal Justice field. It is the hope of the Department that the course will not only create a positive dialogue between students and law enforcement professionals, but will also make the students aware, better informed citizens.

As expected, the expansion of the Youth Unit has resulted in more juvenile arrests; but the new programs, coupled with the increased visibility of youth officers in key parts of the City, appear to be having their effects. The early indications are that the rate of juvenile recidivism is declining. The expansion of the Youth Unit, which made these new endeavors possible, was facilitated by a grant from the Federal Government, which this Department applied for and received.

Department of Public Safety - Bureau of Police

DETECTIVE DIVISION

VALUE OF PROPERTY STOLEN/RECOVERED

<u>TYPE OF PROPERTY</u>	<u>STOLEN</u>	<u>RECOVERED</u>	<u>% RECOVERED</u>
Currency & notes	\$ 146,265.00	\$ 3,346.00	2 %
Jewelry	236,916.00	14,266.00	6 %
Furs & Clothing	69,322.00	35,717.00	52 %
Locally stolen motor vehicles	534,025.00	368,325.00	69 %
Office equipment	47,892.00	6,155.00	13 %
Televisions, stereos, etc.	209,514.00	15,117.00	7 %
Firearms	1,681.00	220.00	13 %
Household goods	6,052.00	51.00	1 %
Consumable goods	2,009.00	217.00	11 %
Miscellaneous	175,275.00	7,936.00	5 %
TOTAL ALL	\$1,428,951.00	\$451,350.00	32 %

FIVE YEAR COMPARISON

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>STOLEN</u>	<u>RECOVERED</u>	<u>% RECOVERED</u>
1972	\$ 824,740.00	\$131,958.00	16 %
1973	\$ 937,278.00	\$284,531.00	30 %
1974	\$1,004,108.00	\$377,367.00	37 %
1975	\$1,266,050.00	\$449,503.00	36 %
1976	\$1,428,951.00	\$451,350.00	32 %

DETECTIVE DIVISION

UNUSUAL CASES

During the past year, there were four homicides committed in the City of White Plains. Most homicides are solved shortly after the crime is committed and very often, there is an identifying witness. If the case is not solved within seventy-two hours, then the odds are heavily against a successful closing of the case.

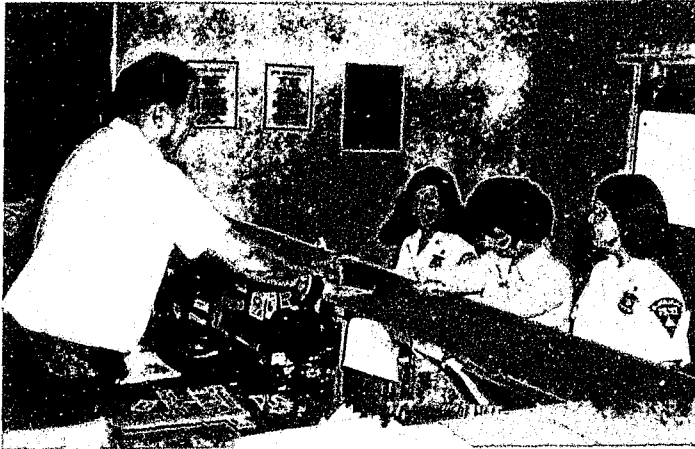
In one very unusual case, a woman was found murdered in a lonely area. She had been stabbed to death. There were no witnesses to the crime and very few leads to work with. The victim's car was found in a public parking lot about a half mile from the scene, near a local bar. After reconstructing her actions prior to the attack, it was established that she was with an unknown male in a hospital driveway, just before her murder. Members of the Detective Division spent five months running down every conceivable lead. Possible suspects were developed and questioned, and sketches were made. Detectives interviewed friends and relatives of the deceased, all to no avail.

As a result of the cooperation of a hypnotist and a lie detector examination, a suspect was established and eventually arrested. The employment of the hypnotist for use on a cooperative witness has met with considerable success in the criminal justice system. This was the first time hypnotism was used by the White Plains Police Department.

Another unusual case involved a lone stick-up man, who had made several successful bank hold-ups in and around Westchester County. Photographs of the suspect were obtained from the automatic camera systems used in the banks and were distributed to members of the Department.

A week after the hold-up of a bank in White Plains, a teller from the bank, while on her way to lunch, saw the robber walking down the Main Street. At the same time, a Police Officer on motorcycle patrol and travelling in the opposite direction, spotted the robber. After a chase of several blocks, the Officer apprehended the suspect and placed him under arrest. No shots were fired, due to the number of people on the street at the time. The robber admitted that he was at that time enroute to a local bank for the purpose of committing another robbery.

AUXILIARY POLICE



Pictured at left are Aux. Policewomen Irene Peppard and Barbara Roche, bringing a prisoner to Desk Lieut. Roland Graham.

AUXILIARY POLICE DIVISION

In recent months, the Auxiliary Police Division has expanded its membership to 45 active members - 36 male and 9 female. Currently, 26 members of the Division have attained peace officer status. The remaining 19 members are in various stages of training, on the way to becoming peace officers. When a member reaches peace officer status, he/she is permitted, while on duty, to carry firearms and enforce all laws; much the same as a regular Police Officer. No member can receive special peace officer status without first completing eight months of training through the Police Department. Training is continuous, with a formal training session one night per month and four scheduled sessions at the range, in the area of motoric skills needed for law enforcement. Those members with peace officer status must qualify four times a year to carry firearms.

Under the command of Auxiliary Captain Robert Krauss, the auxiliaries perform many police related functions, including regular street patrol. The primary mission of the Auxiliary Division is to back up and assist the regular Police when the need arises. Basically, the Division is divided into squads. Each squad is comprised of 2 to 3 members with peace officer status and 2 to 3 members in training. Although Auxiliary Supervisors check on the performance of the officers in the field, all members of the Division are under the direct control of the Police Department and are given current assignments based on current needs.

A total of 8,500 hours per year are served by the entire Division. These hours of service include training, patrol, special events - parades, presidential visits, football games, Halloween, etc., and of course, severe storms or power failures. The liaison officer for the Auxiliary Police Division is Captain Donald R. Westlake, who is charged with the training and performance of the Division.

AWARDS



"MEDAL OF HONOR"

PATROLMAN CHRISTOPHER HILLIARD

"MEDAL OF HONOR"

PATROLMAN VINCENT PATERNO



"MERITORIOUS DUTY AWARD"

PARKING GUARD DIANE DI GIOVANNI



AWARDS



"MERITORIOUS DUTY AWARD"

CAPTAIN PATRICK GLEASON

"POLICEMAN OF THE YEAR"
&
"MERITORIOUS DUTY AWARD"

SERGEANT JOHN BATCHIE



"LIFESAVING AWARD"

PATROLMAN STACEY SEBA



RETIREMENTS



SERGEANT JOSEPH BYRNE

Appointed: February 20, 1956

Retired: May 27, 1977

PATROLMAN SHERMAN NABORS

Appointed: August 26, 1955

Retired: August 27, 1976



PATROLMAN CARL NUESSELE

Appointed: August 25, 1953

Retired: October 8, 1976



RETIREMENTS



DETECTIVE BART CHICARELLI

Appointed: December 10, 1956

Retired: December 10, 1976

DETECTIVE WILLIAM MURPHY

Appointed: May 1, 1947

Retired: October 1, 1976



DETECTIVE JOHN MARKEY

Appointed: May 1, 1954

Retired: September 10, 1976





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BUREAU OF FIRE



During the year 1976, the Bureau of Fire responded to a total of 1,690 alarms. This is approximately a 20% increase over 1975. The figure includes alarms of fire, false alarms, rescue calls, mutual aid and other emergencies; such as, lock-outs, stuck elevators, etc.

As a result of fire and smoke, three civilians lost their lives, fifteen civilians were injured, and seventeen firefighters were injured. Pictured at left is the scene of a fire where two people were seriously injured by heat and smoke this past year.

Monetary loss due to fire and other fire related causes had no significant increase in 1976. The 1975 amount was \$ 447,480 compared to \$ 464,000 in 1976. The largest monetary loss was in storage classification fires - \$ 201,000, and second was stores and offices classification fires - \$ 135,680. These figures are significantly less than the national average for a city of this size.

Below is a brief chart showing the number of rides taken by each apparatus:

Engine 1	430
Engine 2	554
Engine 3	465
Engine 4	628
Engine 5	0
Engine 6	907
Engine 7	182
Truck 1	632
Truck 2	458
Truck 3	122
Emergency Vehicle 2517	220

PERSONNEL

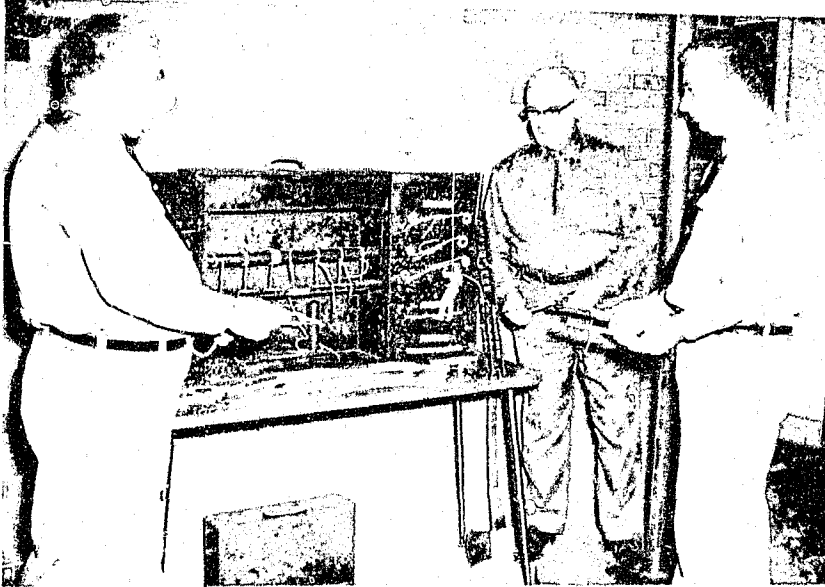


Pictured above after swearing in ceremonies at Fire Headquarters this past April, Commissioner John M. Dolce is surrounded by over a century of firefighting experience and dedication through the persons of three City of White Plains Fire Chiefs. At left is Retired Fire Chief John W. Weir, who was appointed to the Fire Department in 1945 and who served 7 years as Chief of the Department. Pictured second left is our newly appointed Fire Chief William J. McMahan, who at 26 years of service, seems a rookie when compared to the 43 years Retired Fire Chief Raymond J. Brady completed in 1970. Chief Brady is shown at right in photo.

NEW APPOINTMENTS

Firefighter William D. Evans	January 19, 1976
Firefighter Richard Lyman	November 1, 1976
Firefighter Dominick A. Massaro	November 1, 1976
Firefighter Gary Tiedemann	March 1, 1976
Firefighter Mark E. Daman	January 31, 1977
Firefighter Thomas Kaicher	May 5, 1977
Firefighter John D. Marconi	May 5, 1977
Firefighter Charles C. Gruetzner	May 5, 1977
Firefighter Anthony F. Alfero	June 13, 1977
Asst. Fire Alarm Electrician Richard Smith	March 7, 1977

TRAINING



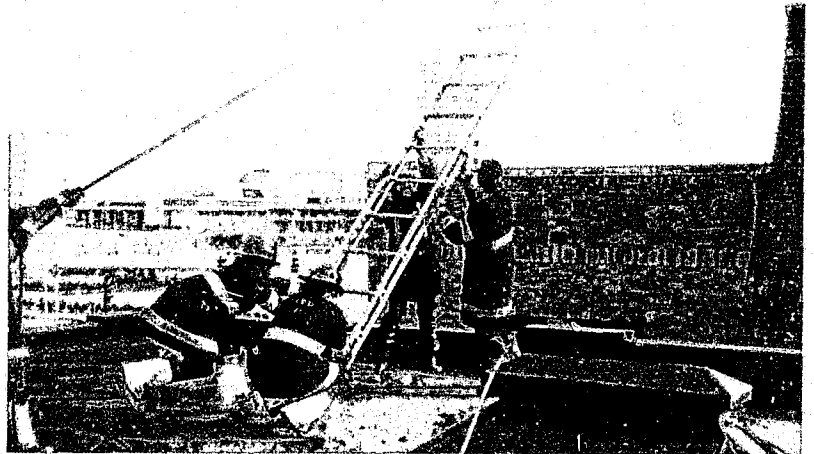
TRAINING SESSIONS

A total of 10,015 man-hours were spent in training sessions by members of the firefighting force this year. This includes time spent at the Fire Training Center and In-quarters training at the various fire stations.

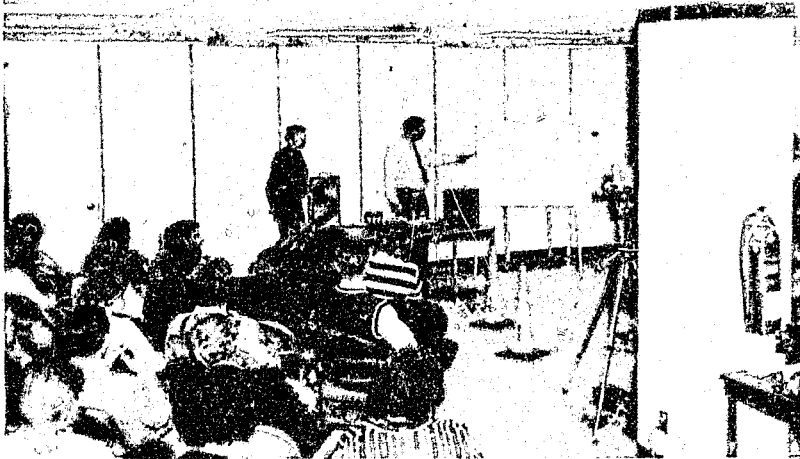
Under the direct supervision of Deputy Fire Chief John Douglass, training is usually handled by the Company Lieutenants,

as scheduled by the Training Officer. Shown above setting up the "Knot Board" for a class with the Volunteer Fire Division is Deputy Fire Chief John Douglass to the right, and Lieutenant John T. Peene of the Fire Prevention Bureau (left). Lieutenant Peene made the board on his own time to aid in training.

Pictured at right, firefighters are lowering a ladder to Fire station #2 from an adjoining building during a training session. The building was offered for use to the Department by the Urban Renewal Agency, while awaiting demolition. New members received actual on the scene training; such as opening up the roof with the various tools on hand, pulling ceilings, moldings, windows, and in general, getting the "know how" on building construction. In this case, the older method of construction was evident to the members of the Fire Department who participated in this session. This type of training supplements the regular training sessions held at the Fire Department Drill School, where a smoke house and tower are used to familiarize the men with fire escapes and other rescue methods.



SPECIAL PROJECTS



Pictured at left is Fire Lieutenant Marden Wolf and Firefighter Kenneth Wathey conducting a demonstration on fire safety and prevention.

LECTURES AND DEMONSTRATIONS

The Lieutenants of the White Plains Fire Department spent a total of 617 hours instructing fire safety and fire prevention classes as a public service to the citizens of White Plains. The following is a brief description of subjects covered and places visited:

SUBJECT MATTER:

Fire Prevention
Building Evacuation
Use of Fire Extinguishers
Methods of Reporting Fires

THOSE INVOLVED:

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County of Westchester
Students and Administrators of
White Plains School System
White Plains Housing Authority
Marine Corp. League
General Foods Corporation
Pace University
Family Service of Westchester

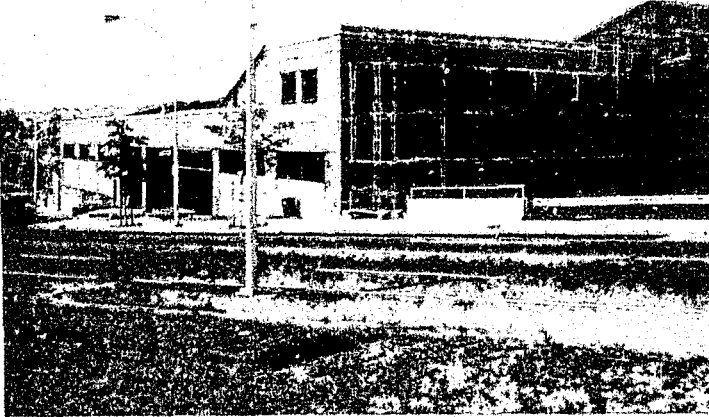
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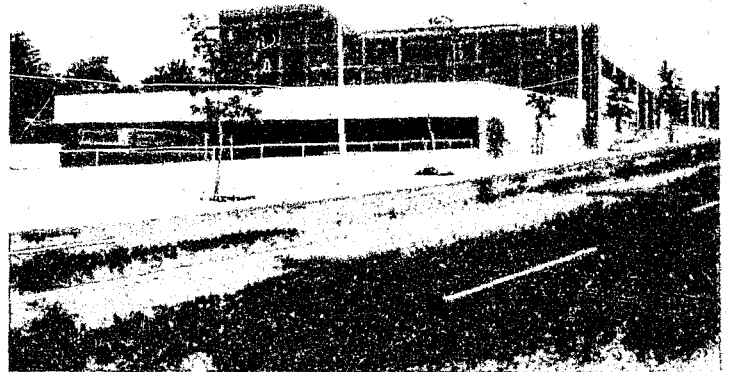
NEW FIRE STATION

With a target completion date of October, 1977, work progresses on New Fire Station Two.

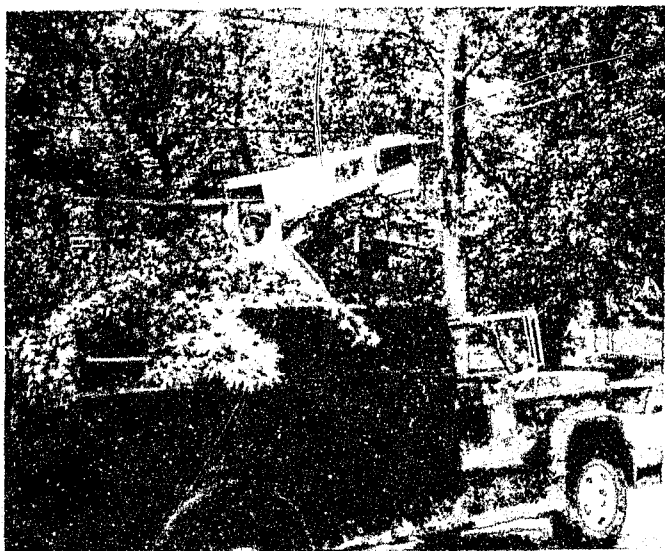
This view was taken from the North looking South, and shows the two apparatus doors as they face onto Ferris Avenue in an easterly direction.



The South side of the building shows the addition made for other service departments of the City government. Upon completion of roof restoration, interior work will then begin in full force. Such final work includes electrical, plumbing and trimming that will give the building its certificate of occupancy in October of this year.



FIRE ALARM BUREAU



At left, Fire Alarm Bureau personnel are shown removing branches that may prove to be a hazard to the overhead alarm cables that are in various sections of the City.

With the retirement of Fire Alarm Superintendent William Therrian, Former Assistant Fire Alarm Electrician Michael Henry has been appointed to Provisional Superintendent of Fire Alarms; and Mr. Richard Smith ("Smitty") has been appointed as the new Assistant. Mr. Smith lives with his wife Diane and their three children in White Plains and has been an electrician for 26 years.

During this reporting period, several improvements have been made in the Fire Alarm Bureau. Better communications facilities have been made available by taking the short range Sony radios out of service and issuing newer Motorola radios to each Fire Officer and Deputy Chief's Aide. This allows for instant contact with each company in the fire building, and those on the street standing by for orders.

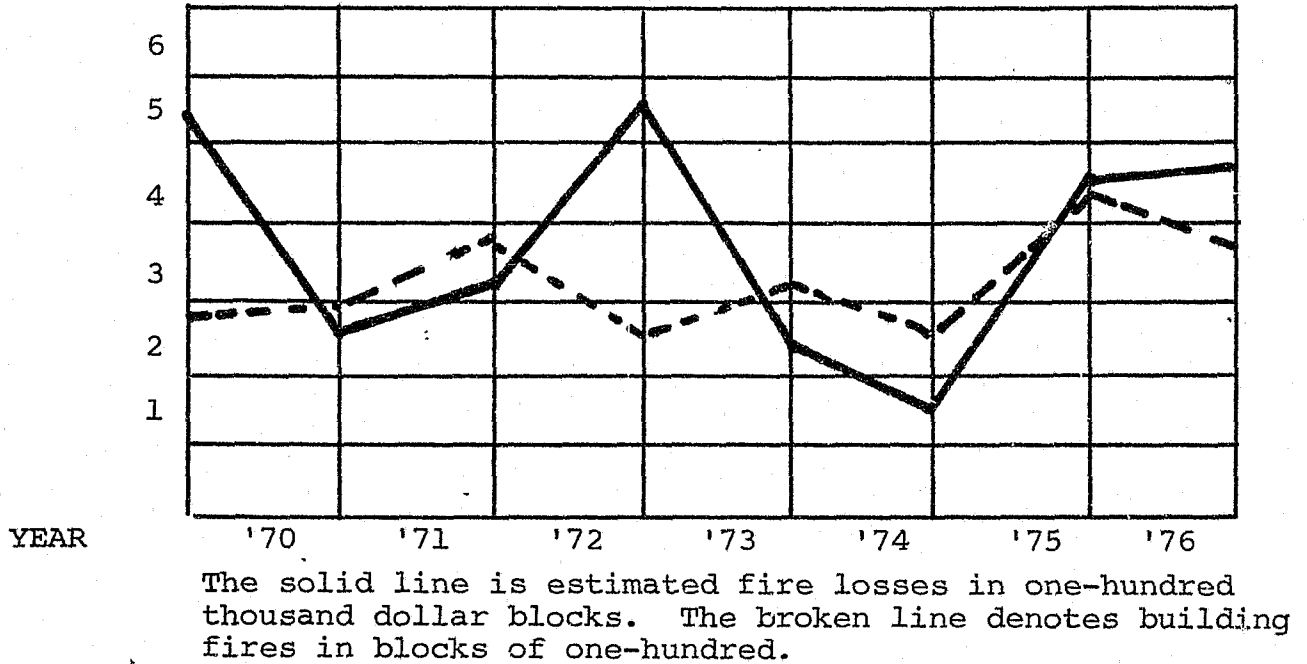
A heat detecting system has been installed at Fire Station #5, Robertson and Harding Avenues. The system will be connected to the communication center at Fire Headquarters.

Six new fire alarm boxes have been installed around the new municipal service building on Ferris Avenue. A twenty wire cable has been installed between Fire Station #2 on Hamilton Avenue and the new fire station, to enable free movement of Civil Defense equipment from Hamilton Avenue to the new station, without interruption of service.

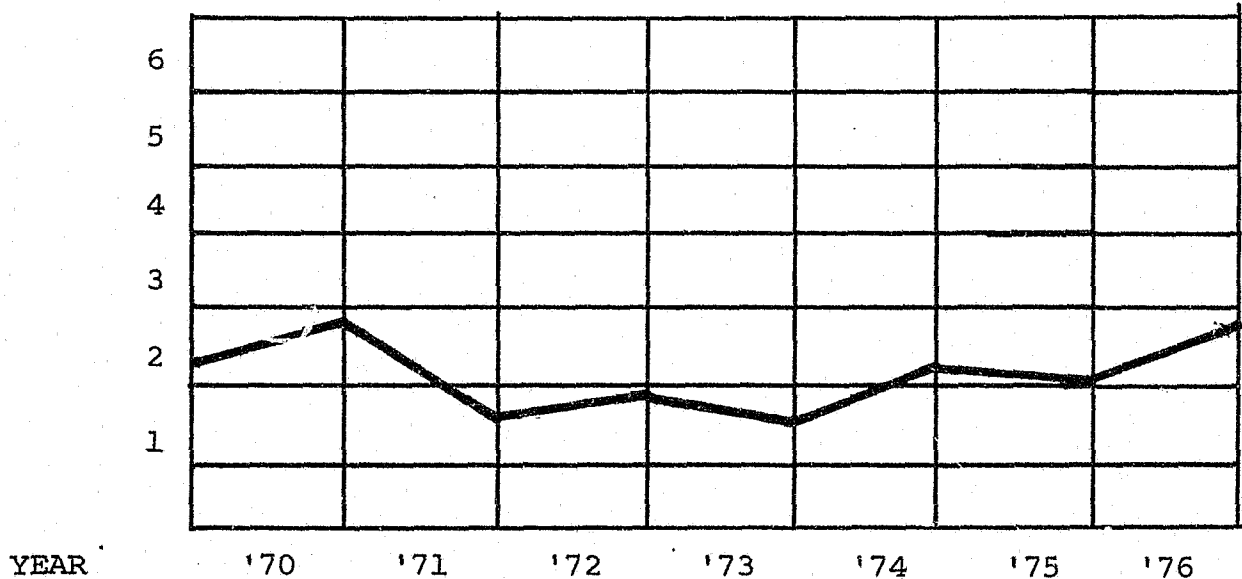
The changing of approximately 6,000 feet of underground cable to overhead or aerial cable has been completed. This is being done to improve the ease of repair and to reduce the cost factor in returning the circuit to service.

FIRE ALARM BUREAU

DOLLAR LOSS AND BUILDING FIRES



COMPARISON GRAPH OF MALICIOUS FALSE ALARMS ONLY



Department of Public Safety - Bureau of Fire

FIRE ALARM BUREAU

SUMMARY OF 1976 FIRE RESPONSES

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>
Fires in Buildings	382
Fires in Vehicles	147
Rubbish & Brush	228
Miscellaneous False	285
Mutual Aid	5
*All Others	<u>643</u>
TOTAL	1,690

* Please note that in the summary, the total of other alarms (643) consists of responses to situations of an emergency nature; such as, rescue calls (including those for oxygen), smoke in buildings, oil burner misfires, lockouts, odors of gas, accidents involving vehicles, and any other situation that is deemed of a nature dangerous to public safety.

FIVE YEAR SUMMARY OF BUILDING FIRES

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1974</u>	<u>1973</u>	<u>1972</u>
Apartments	147	125	110	115	105
Dwellings	107	148	81	104	95
Comm. Residential	14	3	10	11	5
Stores & Offices	69	68	31	53	46
Manufacturing	1	2	4	1	7
Schools & Colleges	5	7	2	5	8
Institutions	16	24	14	11	10
Public Assembly	5	8	8	4	2
Storage & Farms	4	2	4	4	2
Misc. Buildings	<u>14</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>14</u>
TOTAL	382	419	285	330	294

Department of Public Safety - Bureau of Fire

FALSE ALARMS

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TYPE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
STREET BOX *	10	18	9	16	8	18	17	10	25	20	7	17	175
MECHANICAL	3	4	6	2	5	2	2	3	7	3	5	3	45
UNNECESSARY ALARMS	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	3
HUMAN ERROR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRINKLER SURGE	4	1	0	1	0	0	5	4	1	0	2	1	19
TELEPHONED FALSE *	13	14	10	13	14	6	2	5	15	3	7	7	109
MISTAKEN ALARMS	3	0	1	1	0	0	2	1	3	0	1	1	13
ACCIDENTAL FALSE	6	1	2	2	5	3	6	1	3	5	2	6	42
WRONG LOCATION	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
TOTALS	40	38	29	35	32	30	34	24	54	32	24	35	407

* DENOTES MALICIOUS FALSE ALARMS

A Recap of all false alarms for the past five years is as follows:

MALICIOUS FALSES

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>TOTAL FALSES</u>	<u>STREET BOX</u>	<u>TELEPHONED FALSES</u>	<u>TOTAL MALICIOUS FALSES</u>
1972	260	158	33	191
1973	221	143	21	164
1974	310	158	47	205
1975	330	128	80	208
1976	407	175	109	284

As noted in the five year recap, we are still experiencing an increase in false alarms. A breakdown in telephone vs. street box shows about the same number of false alarms are being received by phone than by pull boxes.

With all the building being done in White Plains and the newer type of alarm systems being installed, our rate of increase in accidental, mechanical and sprinkler surge alarms is rising steadily.

FIRE PREVENTION



BUREAU OF FIRE PREVENTION

The Bureau of Fire Prevention is staffed with one Lieutenant and two Inspectors. It is their duty to enforce the City of White Plains Fire Code by inspecting the different residences and businesses throughout the City. This Office maintains a full and up-to-date library of Codes and standards for reference, together with a complete file of complaints, violations and other fire safety hazards.

Other duties include the scheduling of fire drills for schools, hospitals, business and mercantile buildings. The fire company detailed to a specific drill will witness the drill to be sure that the drills are conducted properly and on schedule. Also, installation of fire alarm systems and fire suppression systems are followed from the planning stage, by plan review, to on-site testing; before the approval is given.

The Fire Prevention Bureau is also responsible for the regulations of flammable liquid storage. This involves the testing of tanks and the inspection of all installations.

Pictured above is Fire Lieutenant John T. Peene and Firefighter Shearin O. Higgs.

Department of Public Safety - Bureau of Fire

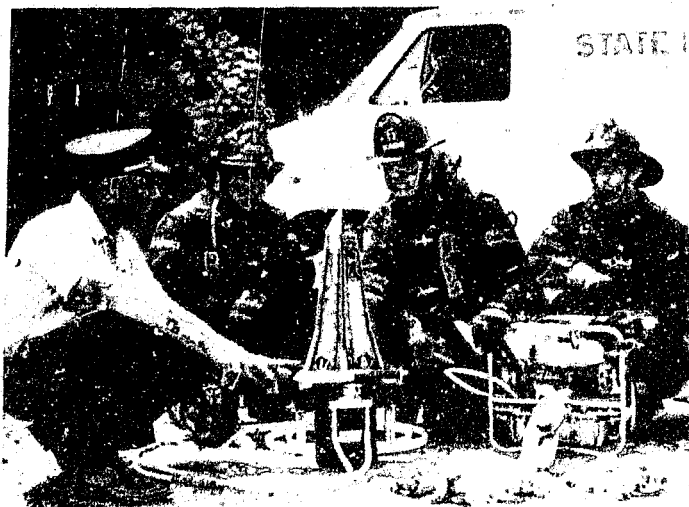
FIRE PREVENTION

ACTIVITY FOR 1976

INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS

Ammunition Storage	3
Alarm Systems	10
Auto Body Shops	6
Bomb Threats	38
Cabarets	8
Clubs	2
Day Care Centers	10
Fire Drills	75
Flammable Liquids Storage	25
Government Buildings	9
Group Homes	26
Hospitals	2
Hotels & Motels	6
Investigations	403
Lectures	20
Multi-Residences	156
Multi-Residence calls made and not accessible	329
Nursing Homes	10
Office Buildings	12
Public Assembly	73
Rooming Houses	68
Schools	17
Standpipes	10
Sprinklers	15
Halon Systems	1
Stores and Basements	387
Tank Tests & related piping	40
Tank Investigations for Permit renewal	78
Theaters	4
Violations Tickets Issued	490
Violations Rechecks	1371
Christmas Store Checks	175
Laundromats	4
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TOTAL:	3,879

APPARATUS



"JAWS OF LIFE"

The newly acquired Hurst "Jaws of Life" tool is used to free persons trapped as the result of motor vehicle accidents or other situations where the powerful machine can be implemented to pull apart, rip or cut open metal to effect a speedy rescue of the victims.

Fully portable, the unit consists of a gasoline engine driven hydraulic pump, connected to the "Jaws" by hydraulic lines. The tips on the end of the "Jaws"

can be changed to accommodate metal cutting shears, metal spreaders, special chain attachments and cutting tools. Pictured above is Deputy Fire Chief John Douglass conducting a training session on the use of the Hurst "Jaws of Life" tool.

At right, firefighters are shown at the training grounds, illustrating how the tool would be used to remove a steering wheel and column from the body of a trapped victim of a motor vehicle accident. The chains would be wrapped around the post of the steering column; and the other end of the machine would be connected to the frame of the car. The "Jaws", in an open position, would then be slowly closed, and the column pulled away from the victim in a matter of seconds.



In the picture, the roof posts have already been cut by the shears, allowing the firefighters to "peel back" the roof to extricate other trapped persons.

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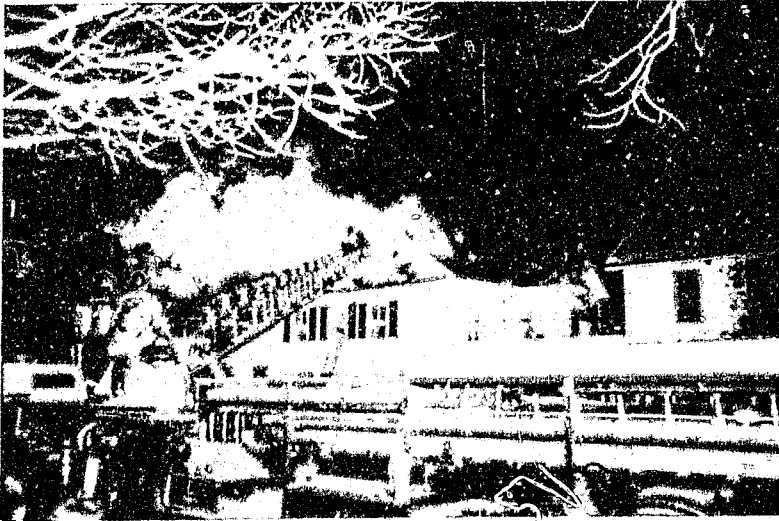


4 HOUR SCOTT AIR PAKS

Pictured above, a factory representative demonstrates our new 4 hour Scott Air Paks to members of the Fire Department. We now have four of these units in the Department. They are located at Fire Headquarters and fire station #2. By recycling the user's breath and using a small tank of oxygen, these Air Paks will operate for approximately 4 hours, as compared to the usual $\frac{1}{2}$ hour time of the Scott Paks using compressed air. 4 hour units are designed for use where dense smoke and fumes are present, and long searches are necessary.

At a recent fire in a utility building, dense smoke from burning PVC insulation on the wiring produced such smoke that it was practically impossible to locate emergency shut off switches to stop the flow of current. The $\frac{1}{2}$ hour Scotts ran out of air just when the important areas were reached. It became apparent that specialized breathing apparatus such as these were needed. These masks are not usually worn in normal firefighting activities, but for prolonged use in areas as described above; and for gaseous situations where breathing would be impaired for a long period of time.

MUTUAL AID



At left, White Plains Firefighters are shown ascending the ladder of Truck #3 at a house fire in Port Chester this past year. Our crew was standing by at Port Chester Headquarters while the hometown department was fighting another blaze when the alarm came in. This coverage is part of the Mutual Aid Agreement which is in effect between surrounding localities in the County. We also responded to Aid calls in Scarsdale (another house fire) and stand-by duty at

the Headquarters of Fairview and Harrison (Silver Lake). The last call from the White Plains Fire Department for Mutual Aid was made in 1972, when Yonkers and New Rochelle fire departments assisted during a fire at the White Plains railroad station.

Mutual Aid was started in 1928 between fire officers of the various communities. A more formal arrangement was made in 1929 at the Fire Chiefs' Emergency Plan of Westchester County. This plan remained in effect under that name until February 29, 1960, when the Westchester County Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution submitted by a Committee of Officers from Departments of the County of Westchester; and it became known as the Westchester County Fire Mutual Aid Plan. The Board of Supervisors, recognizing the mandate of State Law pertaining to Mutual Aid Fire Plans, appointed a Fire Coordinator, three deputy coordinators and a fire advisory board to comply with the requirements.

The plan is available to any fire district, department (paid and volunteer) by application through the coordinator. The participating departments make their equipment and manpower available to those who call for aid in the event of an emergency that cannot be handled with the local forces and/or equipment. Practically all the municipalities and communities of the County of Westchester now belong to the Mutual Aid Plan. Besides regular meetings, there is a monthly meeting of the Board of Directors to discuss matters relating to the plan.

Over the years the White Plains Fire Department has responded to an approximate average of three to nine aid calls per annum. This includes actual firefighting duty and assistance as a stand-by crew.

VOLUNTEER DIVISION

After five years of exemplary leadership to the Volunteer Division, 1st Ass't Chief Raymond Hilyer stepped down to take on the leadership of the Westchester Volunteer Firemen's Association. At the annual installation dinner, he was presented with his past Chief's badge and a C-B radio set. The Division also recognized retiring Fire Chief John Weir with an inscribed plaque commending him for his outstanding leadership and understanding support of the volunteer services rendered to the Department.

The Division also acknowledged the excellent choice by the City, in its selection of our new Fire Chief William J. McMahon.

The following outgoing officers: 1st Ass't Chief Raymond Hilyer, 2nd Ass't Chief Richard Holzer, Secretary Dominick Shields and Treasurer Edward Conroy were replaced by the newly elected officers for 1977-78: 1st Ass't Chief Alfred Olsen, 2nd Ass't Chief William Maguire, Secretary Joseph DePaso and Treasurer James Dwyer, Jr.

Probably the single most important activity engaged in this year was the initiation of a drill training program for members of the Volunteer Division. For the first time, the New York State Firematic Course was offered to the members of the Division as a twelve month course, consisting of three hours of training per month (thirty-six hours total) of intensive lessons on technical firefighting knowledge and performance skills through active participation drills. Certificates of completion will be awarded to graduates sometime this Fall.

In addition to the above course, the regular training drills took place at the Fire Department's training grounds. One hundred and seven members from the various companies completed this phase of training.

The year 1976-77 was an active one for the Division, and there was a noted increase in participation in all activities by its membership. The Volunteers were called out to fires on several occasions, to assist the professional firefighters in carrying out their duties; and the Volunteers also provided a standby crew at Headquarters for general emergencies in the community.

AWARDS

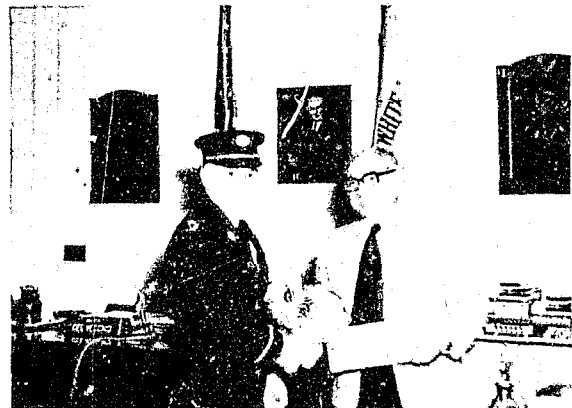


"MERITORIOUS DUTY AWARD"

LIEUTENANT VINCENT LAZARO

"MERITORIOUS DUTY AWARD"

LIEUTENANT THOMAS KAUFFMAN



"FIREFIGHTERS OF THE YEAR"

FIREFIGHTER WILLIAM DEARMAN

FIREFIGHTER RICHARD BRIDGHAM

FIREFIGHTER GEORGE LASHER

FIREFIGHTER HUBERT ROBINSON

BUREAU OF FIRE



CHIEF OF THE DEPARTMENT JOHN W. WEIR

RETIRED: 1945 - 1977

Chief John Weir began his successful career in the Department in 1945, progressed to the rank of Lieutenant in 1950, Deputy Chief in 1959 and to Chief of the Department May 18, 1970. During Chief Weir's years of service, he attended numerous schools pertaining to firematic subjects, i.e. New York State Rescue School, New Haven Fire Instructors Training Conference, Rochester Fire Training School, Memphis Fire Instructors Conference and the New York City Training Center, to name a few.

The proficiency of the Department, particularly as is extended at the scene of a fire, in most cases, can be attributable to the achievements and credits of Chief John Weir.

The members of the Department extend our sincere best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. John Weir for a healthy and happy retirement.

CHIEF OF THE DEPARTMENT WILLIAM J. McMAHON

William McMahon, fifth Chief appointed in the Department's sixty year history, resides in White Plains with his wife Blanche, two daughters Mary and Anne, and son William III.

Chief McMahon graduated from White Plains High School, after which he spent six years on active duty with the United States Navy in World War II. In June of 1951, Chief McMahon became a member of the Fire Department. He elevated to the rank of Lieutenant in 1963, Deputy Chief in May 1970 and Chief of the Department on April 4, 1977.



During Chief McMahon's tenure as training officer, he has attended many schools and training sessions, i.e. Organization, Management and Administration of Fire services, numerous courses at the State and Federal level pertaining to firematics, is a qualified State Fire Instructor - having completed a course at the New York State Academy of Fire Sciences and the New York State Police Academy; as well as firematic courses offered by the United States Army, John Jay College in New York City and Iona College in New Rochelle.

The City of White Plains extends to Chief William J. McMahon its best wishes for achievement and contentment in his new and most important responsibility.

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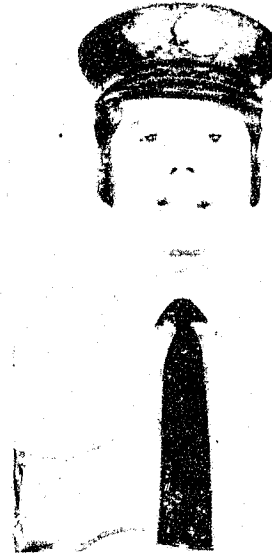


DEPUTY CHIEF JOHN DOUGLASS

Appointed: December 2, 1955

Lieutenant: May 12, 1967

Deputy Chief: April 4, 1977



LIEUTENANT MARDEN C. WOLF

Appointed: June 22, 1962

Lieutenant: January 3, 1977



LIEUTENANT GEORGE L. PARKER

Appointed: September 2, 1969

Lieutenant: April 18, 1977

PROMOTIONS



LIEUTENANT THOMAS R. GORBUTT

Appointed: February 24, 1969

Lieutenant: April 18, 1977

LIEUTENANT WILLIAM T. CITRON

Appointed: May 27, 1968

Lieutenant: April 18, 1977



(not shown) LIEUTENANT DONALD E. DOUGHERTY

Appointed: August 18, 1961

Lieutenant: July 1, 1975

RETIREMENTS



FIREFIGHTER ANTHONY FORMICA

Appointed: June 15, 1956

Retired: June 20, 1976



FIREFIGHTER FRANK H. HODAPP

Appointed: March 23, 1956

Retired: July 5, 1976



FIREFIGHTER KENNETH CONKLIN

Appointed: December 1, 1953

Retired: May 1, 1977

FIRE ALARM ELECTRICIAN
WILLIAM E. THERRIEN

Appointed: March 23, 1956

Retired: January 3, 1977



RETIREMENTS



LIEUTENANT HAROLD N. CLEARY

Appointed: October 27, 1947

Lieutenant: September 6, 1957

Retired: January 2, 1977

LIEUTENANT RICHARD A. BUSCHER

Appointed: December 2, 1956

Lieutenant: July 16, 1973

Retired: April 2, 1977



LIEUTENANT GEORGE D. WILLIS

Appointed: February 24, 1957

Lieutenant: May 18, 1970

Retired: April 9, 1977



IN MEMORIAM



WILLIAM MEANEY

Firefighter Meaney was appointed to the Fire Department in January, 1948, and after 23 years of firefighting service, retired in May, 1971. He passed away on October 30, 1976. His wife Frances predeceased him in 1963; and he is survived by three daughters - Mary, Margaret and Maureen. His brother Thomas (Pat) and nephew Martin are members of the Firefighting Force in White Plains.

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WILLIAM CARNEY

Appointed to the Force in May of 1923, Firefighter Carney served the City of White Plains until August of 1948. He was living in Florida at the time of his death on January 6, 1977.

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