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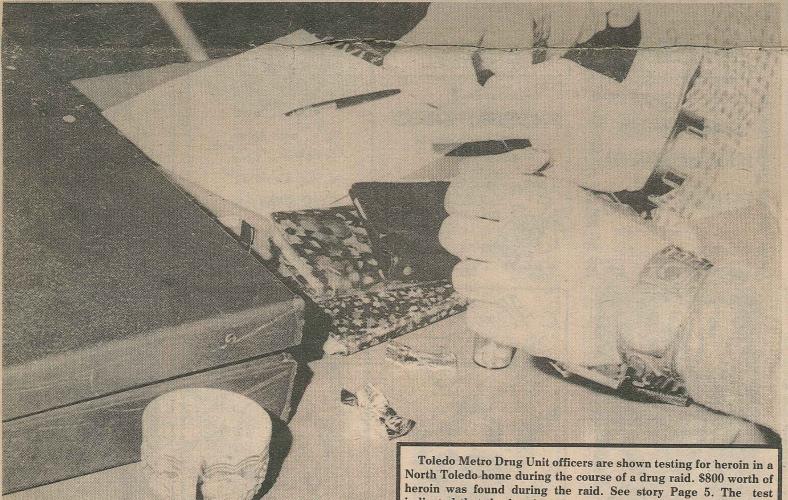
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heroin was found during the raid. See story Page 5. The test indicated that the heroin was positive and Metro officers said its brown color indicated it was from Mexico. White heroin is from Europe. [Shield Staff Photo]

To all, we as members of the Toledo Police Patrolmen's Association, extend warm and happy greetings in the spirit of this most joyous season. It is a privilege to be a part of this fine community and we sincerely hope to continue serving and helping our friends, neighbors, and citizens in every way as Policemen in the City of Toledo and members of the T.P.P.A.

Kenneth J. Perry **President Toledo Police** Patrolmen's Association Frank Calipetro **Vice-President Police** Patrolmen's Association

As We See It

By Ken Perry, President Toledo Police Patrolmen's Assn.



"As we see it," this column should be limited to just one subject at this time of the year. And with the Holiday season soon approaching us, I would like to send a personal "Season's Greetings" to our entire membership of the Toledo Police Patrolmen's Association.

In the true Christmas spirit, gratefully, I would like to thank everyone for the trust and confidence that has been extended to myself and the executive board, as we approooach this time of the year when families and friends gather together to share and enjoy the traditional season.

To our advertisers of The Toledo Police Shield, I express hope that the happiness and joy of the season will touch your homes and families, and a sincere thanks to you for your loyalty in our

And to our thousands and thousands of Police Shield readers and subscribers, goes another special "Merry Christmas" as we want you to realize how much we cherish and value your concern and

In conclusion, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our friends who have supported the T.P.P.A., a very Merry Christmas, with the hopes of unity and friendships.

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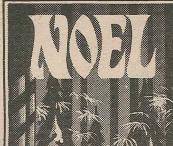
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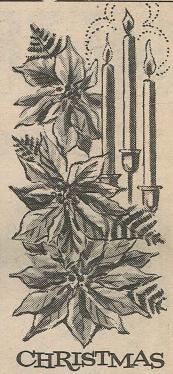
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Toledo Metro Drug Unit in Financia

by Ted Barton

concerned over the fact that severe financial cut-backs by both large and small political subdivisions have resulted in sharing payments to operate the Toledo Metropolitan Drug Unit. The TMDU is a unique police unit formed in 1971 with financing combined from a federal law enforcement assistance

funds, combined with revenues Many area officials are deeply shared by cities, towns and other political subdivisions in Lucas and Wood Counties, in Ohio and Monroe County in Michigan.

Today, the unit, while compiltotal or partial decline of cost- ing an exceptional record this year of nearly \$1,700,000 in confiscated illicit drugs, is in severe financial trouble. Officials and concerned public see deline of the unit as an open door to the act poison peddlers of drugs to ply

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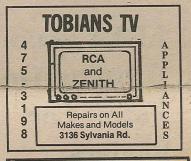
Capt. James Wood, commander of the Metro Unit, told Shield reporters that the unit needs both operational and "buy" monies if it is to continue operations. He points out that drug traffic throughout the nation continues to grow because of the tremendous sums of money involved, with organized crime coupled with amatuer sellers at the retail sales level. Only last week the Metro Unit, conducting a series of raids on known sellers, netted \$53,,000 in narcotics in a single raid, which Capt. Wood termed "not at all an unusually high amount".

Heroin and marijuana have no medical value and therefore are unable to be resold to legitimate drug compaies to help obtain money for the unit. Drugs are destroyed after being entered in court as evidence in trials of pushers.

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Governments. Changes were made in the unit with the Regional Criminal Planning Unit obtaining a three-year grant of \$45,00 per year. The Metro Unit is now in the third year of the three year grant program. Several austerity changes have been made including changing of suburban locations, leasing arrangement for autos, etc.

With the changes, the unit has stepped up operations and its efforts netted the nearly \$1,700,000 in illicit drugs. Capt. Wood said "buy" money, those funds used by Metro officers to purchase drugs for court evidence, is one of the major financial problems of the unit, since this money is generally not recoverable. He said the unit could easily justify the use of \$45,000 a month in making buys. The \$45,000 figure represents Metro's total annual budget for making "buys" at the present

Gary Pence, executive secretary of the Criminal Justice and Educational Planning Unit, last year sent out letters soliciting funds for the unit from area political subdivisions in the form of contributions. Response was only sufficient to maintain operation of the unit from January until May of 1975. The solicitations continue and award of the final year of grant money under the three year program was made, barely keeping the unit solvent.

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Capt. Wood said an educational process for the public is sorely needed in order that the public is able to bring sufficient pressure on various governmental offices for contributions. He added that politicians in the various subdivisons have been hard-hit for economic cuts and Metro Unit contributions suffered in the axing of their budgets. A few subdivisions are making no payments for continued operation of the unit.

A California legislator has come up with a bill which Capt. Wood feels is one of the most far-reaching solutions to the problem. The California Bill calls for fines levied against drugsellers to be returned back into the Metro Units there to maintain continued operations. The California Bill is going into hearings this session of that state's legisla-

Wood also pointed out that a much greater amount of governmental funds, especially federal funds, are being spent for rehabilitation rather than enforcement. He pointed out that local news media took exception, recently, to the fact that the area Methodane Clinic utilized \$30,000 for office remodeling.

One problem in taking hardcore drug sellers off the streets is continuances of court trials by judges. 'Some sellers have been busted as many as five times and are still out on a series of continuances," said Capt. Wood. He said the high profit in drug traffiking permits sellers to obtain top-shelf legal counsel. 'Many sellers then turn around and continue to sell just to pay their attorney's fees," concluded.





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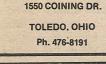
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Bryon PD Exchanges Help with Metro Unit

by Chief Frank Beals, Jr. Bryan Police Department

Drug problems are not confined to the large cities and metropolitan areas. The vast majority of smaller cities and villages have their share of an unwanted and challenging problem that I believe is more difficult to control than in a large city.

This I say without reservations because of the close-knit groups that certainly know all the officers, making it nearly impossible to penetrate their little cliques.

To combat these problems, the city of Bryan sent an officer to assist the Metro Unit, and in turn received an undercover agent that was used when we had good information on dealers that were active in our area. This has worked very well on a number of occasions resulting in arrests as well as convictions.

possession of marijuana, sale of marijuana, possession of amphetamines, possession of barbiturates to possession of heroin for sale.

I am sure you can readily see that many local people believe there is no drug problem in a small community, and that it only happens in the cities. Also, they



may hear rumors and even have some ideas as to who is involved. However, they cannot understand why the law enforcement agency does not arrest them like they do on television. Naturally, you also have some that are not concerned until it involves one of their own, and then you hear the roof fall in.

Not only has Bryan used Metro for undercover work, but also for training. The officer that has working with Metro is now the detective for Bryan; and I might add, is doing a very fine job. He has made some arrests for narcotic violations that would not have been made without the training he received by working with a well-trained drug unit.

I am sure some can say each agency should solve all their own problems. However, with the mobility that exists today, narcotics traffic can be, and is, moving to many small communities. The city of Bryan for one, can use all the help and assistance we can get. The city is also ready and willing to cooperate and assist in any way we can to eliminate what, I believe, is one of the more serious problems facing law enforcement agencies today.

LEAA Issues Warning On Patrol Car Engines

The Law Enforcement Assistance Administration issued a bulletin recently warning all police departments that poor maintenance of patrol car engines or carlessness on the part of the car operator could expose a patrol officer to serious illness or even death from carbon monoxide poisoning.

It recommended that police departments check all patrol cars carefully to make sure the deadly gas cannot seep into a car's interior.

LEAA Administrator Richard W. Velde, said a Baltimore, Maryland, policeman died and another nearly died when carbon monoxide reached deadly levels of concentration inside their cars.

"There are many instruments that can detect if a car's exhaust system is working properly," said Mr. Velde. "If police departments do not have access to such instruments, we strongly recommend that they purchase them."

In addition, Mr. Veled said police departments should take measurers to assure that a vehicle is tuned to the manufacturer's recommendations; that preventive maintenance includes inspection of the exhaust system and testing of carbon monoxide emmission; that engine idling not exceed three minutes with the windows closed unless the battery needs recharging; and that all officers be trained to recognize the symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning and proper first aid



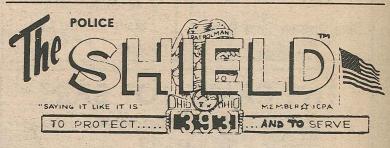
MORRISSEY'S CORNER By Patrolman Bob Morrissey

Congratulations to Justice Douglas on taking his retirement. I believe this decision was the best one he has made since he's been on the Supreme Court. Too bad Judge Young doesn't make the same great decision. Maybe if we tell him Christmas is coming he'll do it and make us all happy.

Talking about happiness and the holiday season coming up I would like to take this opportunity to give a wonderful group of men a pat on the back for doing such a great job when it comes to helping people. You will see these men a couple of weeks before Christmas selling papers on cold windy days. The money they obtain will all be spent on the less fortunate people in our community. The name of this organization is the Old News Boys. I as a police officer have had many occasions when I called on this group to help people in need. The first incident was when I was working a scout car. We were called to a home where the mother was very despondent. She was standing in a faded house dress and crying. We asked her what was the matter. She took us into a bedroom and there on the floor were three small children sleeping with a rug over them to keep warm. We listened to her story about how her husband left and had not returned in six months. She was to the point she did not know where her next meal was coming from. The children stayed in the house most of the time because they did not have any winter clothing. After hearing this I went to the phone and called the Old News Boys. The only question they asked me was "Where does this family live?" I asked this concerned voice on the other end of the phone, "What happens now?" He replied "We'll take care of them." I informed the mother to hold on, as help was on the way. When we left the house I was a little skeptical because there was no long report required. No red tape, just "We'll take care of them." For the next couple of days my partner and myself kept wondering how this family was making out. We drove back to the home and the mother saw us and opened the door before we got on the porch. She motioned us inside. We could feel how happy she was. She showed us the new winter clothing the Old News Boys brought her children. There was food in the kitchen, and there was hope in this mother's eyes, thanks to the Old News Boys. Over the years I have seen this type or thing the and time again. Just one phone call and the helpful answer "We'll take care of them."

It will just be a couple of more days now and you'll hear "Buy a paper mister?" When you do, dig deep because that money you give will be for a great cause.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



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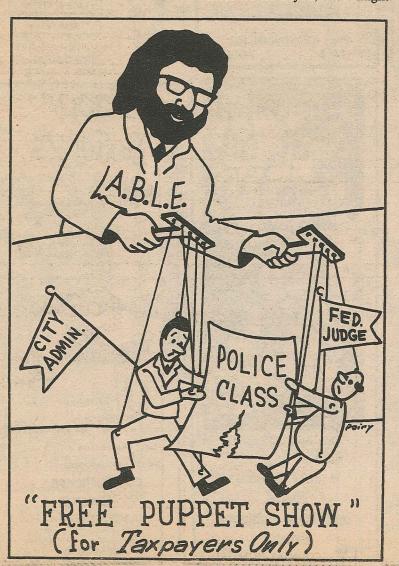
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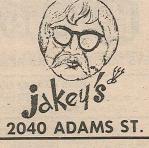
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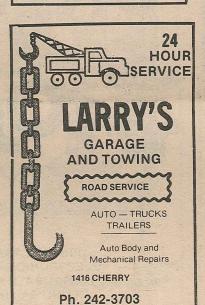
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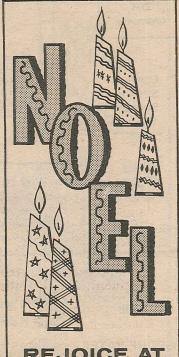


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Shield Rides Heroin

by Ted Barton

The building could be a small apartment building, insurance company or even professional offices. But, at 11 p.m. the are to cover all entrances and building is bustling with activity. One officer draws diagrams of the inside of homes and apartments on the wall as others look on. There is a general atmospher or anticipation as officers of the Metro Drug Unit are assigned in teams of about eight men each.

Eight separate raids, all looking for heroin in the homes of known pushers are to go down this evening. Metro is bolstered



Handcuffs Pusher

A patrolman handcuffs a Toledo youth during the course of a Metro Drug raid in which some \$800 worth of heroin was found in a North Toledo home. Three members of the family were arrested during an eight-raid evening by Metro officers.

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Officers are quiet as they search every square inch of the



Metro Secretary at 3 a.m.

Pretty Carol Irwin, a secretary for the Metro Drug Unit, at work at 3 a.m., following a series of eight drug raids in a single night. The inevitable paper work follows arrests of suspects in preparation for trials. [Shield Staff Photo]

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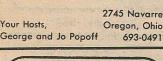
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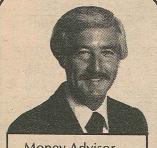
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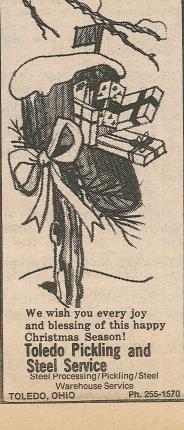
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Broadway's Way

By Harry Broadway, President Ohio Union of Patrolmen Assns.

We hear much publicity concerning the Nation's Bicentennial in 1976. This is also a significant date for the Patrolmen's labor movement because it marks the 10th anniversary of the formation of patrolmens groups as actual unions under the labor act.

Chicago, Detroit, Los Angeles and San Francisco police delegations met in Chicago ten years ago and the first real union police structures came out of those meetings. While being one of the youngest labor organizations in the nations, as far as unions go, patrolmen have been advanced in wages and benefits more in those last ten years and in than in any comparable time in history.

Ohio was one of the first states to form a state-wide organization of police unions when it formed the Ohio Union of Patrolmen's Association. Some 60 individual police departments are represented in the OUPA, including, locally, Toledo, Maumee and Oregon. Many other area towns have made inquiries about establishing patrolmen's unions and contact is being maintained with these

One of the strongest unions in the state is in Cleveland where patrolmen in Cuyahoga County maintain a fulltime staff with Bill McNea, President of the Cleveland Police Patrolmen's Association serving as fulltime business agent representing the several departments in Cuyahoga County, and with a secretarial staff.

Toledo, Oregon and Maumee P.P.A. units also have received excellent service from their officers and the organizations all have retainer attorneys who represent individual and collective patrolmen in grievances, bargaining, etc. The OUPA has interceded to assist these organizations in several problems.

The International Conference of Police Associations, our International Union, has been extremely active in assisting local patrolmen's unions throughout the country. Edward J. Kiernan, President of the ICPA, is almost constantly on the road assisting the various locals throughout the country. The ICPA has been active in Congress, testifying on various bills which would effect patrolmen or police unions during the past two years.

We expect our strength to be overwhelmingly multiplied during the next ten years.

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Dear Mr. McGrath,

I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to you and the members of your department for the outstanding service rendered during the funeral of Staff Sergeant William F. Lang on 31 July 1975.

Sergeant Lang, a member of this Wing, perished in an aircraft accident while in the service of his country. Patrolmen from your department escorted the Lang funeral procession from the mortuary in Toledo to the burial site in Maumee, Ohio. This courtesy was deeply appreciated both by the family of the deceased and by those military members in attendance. I would specifically like to thank Patrolmen Roy Maier, Frank Calipetro and Robert Matecki for the dedication and professionalism which they displayed on that day.

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Father Al Ceranowski, Chaplain Toledo Police Patrolmen's Association

Once again we are going through all the preparations for Christmas. Purchasing and wrapping presents, buying and decorating a tree, sending and receiving cards. Children's minds are filled with excited anticipation for the coming of Santa Claus. Parent's hearts throb with hope for a wonderful Christmas dinner. Christians set up crib sets to remind us of the real meaning for the celebration. For Christians and feast of Christmas is none other than the Birthday of Christ

As we reminisce on the birth of Jesus Christ we see both good and bad news. The good news is that the Savior has come. Christ came to bring "peace on earth and goodwill to mankind" and to make salvation possible for us in eternity. The bad news is that crime was rampant. Herod has even innocent children killed. Caravans are constantly hit by armed bandits. The lone individual Samaritan is beaten and robbed. Christ came to bring love to a world filled with hate.

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Drug Analysis

By Officer Ron Scanlon

A narcotic is a drug that relieves pain and induces sleep. The narcotics, or opiates, include opium and its active components, such as morphine. They also include heroin, which is morphine chemically altered to make it about six times stronger. Heroin is not used in medicine, and all heroin in the U.S. is smuggled into the country.

Morphine, methadone, and meperidine are used medically and are infrequently seen on the black market. Paregoric and cough syrups containing codeine are also abused.

People in physical or psychological pain may turn to heroin for relief, especially if their ability to endure distress is low. Many are introduced to the drug by "friends". Some youngsters mimic the behavior of grownups who are addicted. Certain addicts derive gratification from turning others on. Many believe, "It can't happen to me." They think they can use heroin occasionally and not get hooked. These are often weekend "joy poppers." A good number of these individuals

end up addicted. Heroin use was once predominently a problem existing among minority groups living in central city areas. This has changed, and use of heroin has spread to middle-class youngsters. A small number of doctors and nurses who have the drugs available have become addicted.

The heroin addict may appear normal. Some of the acute symptoms associated with heroin are sniffling, flushing, drowsiness, and constipation. Very contracted pupils are typical of opiate use. Some adddicts may have an unhealthy appearance because of poor food intake and personal neglect. Venereal disease among female addicts is not uncommon. Heroin addicts appear at hospitals with blood infections, hepatitis, symptoms of overdose and, more rarely, lockjaw.

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Christmas

by Margaret Bollinger, Security

We all know, a store detective's job is to apprehend and prosecute all shoplifters. There are people that have plenty of money and come in to the store and steal, there are also the people with lesser sums of money, but still have money and could buy, rather than steal. I am of the belief that these people should all go to jail.

In all the years of security work I have been in, I have only came in contact with about three people who were actually destitute.

People label the store detectives as cold and heartless. They say that the business man is the same way. The story I am about to tell you will prove very different.

It was just a few days before Christmas a few years ago when there was a heavy snow and the temperature was almost zero. A man and a woman came into the store in the evening. With them was a baby and a small child. The children did not have shoes on and the mother and father had thin clothes that were very worn.

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When leaving the store, apprehended this couple and took them to the security office where I had a long talk with them. The woman began to cry and told me that they had nothing to eat in their home and no stove connected to cook with if they had any food. The husband had been out of work for quite some time and everywhere they tried to get help the doors were closed to them.

Needless to say I believed these people, and I did not prosecute. I looked at the poor red half frozen feet of the children, and my heart was really broken. All the rest of the evening I could not get this poor family out of my mind. I went home that night after work. My husband was already in bed. I woke him and asked him if he would go with me to their home and see if we could help them and also verify the story that they had told me. Arriving at their home they asked us to come in. Their bed was the floor with throw rugs for blankets. There was no heat,

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Sometimes a person arrested for stealing from a store will receive a sentence of four hours. Does that sound too harsh?

Some Judge will sentence a person to four hours in jail. This requires a reat deal of work for the clerks office and the Matrons. This is certainly a waste of the tax-payers money.

Sometimes a Judge will sentence a woman to serve four weekends. They will come in on a Saturday morning and be released the following Monday. The reason for the weekends is that this person will be going to the University on a Grant and they don't want to miss any classes.

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True, everyone has a right to a Jury trial, knowing if they are found guilty, they would have to pay the cost of the witnesses. Most of the people would admit the truth and save the courts time and the City money.

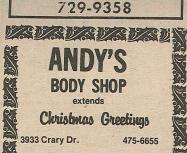
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Christmas Blessings

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no stove to cook on, and in the cupboard were two dried up turnips. No milk for the baby, no food was found anywhere.

We told the people to stay awake and that we would be right back. Due to the late hour there were no stores open. We went to our home and filled two bags with food and milk and went back and gave it to them. I went to bed that night with a very heavy heart. I knew then that I would try to find help for these people.

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Mr. Shnider found employment for the husband.

It takes discernment to know when you think you are acting in the right or wrong.

Yes, people still have feelings for their fellow men, and thanks to God for these people.

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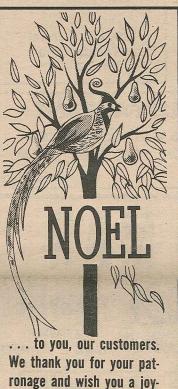
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When addiction exists, stopping the drug provokes withdrawal sickness some 12 to 16 hours after the last injection. The addict yawns, shakes, sweats, his nose and eyes run, and he vomits. Muscle aches and jerks ("kicking the habit") occur along with abdominal pain and diarrhea. Chills and backache are frequent. An injection of an opiate brings about immediate

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Heroin Raids

(Continued from page 5) house, with two assigned to the boy's room. Fifteen minutes pass and it appears it may be another dry run. The head of the Metro squad tells the rest of us, "I know it is in here somewhere." Two minutes later in the bed room drawer he finds a small aluminum foil packet that looks much like a half-stick of gum. It contains a brownish powder that looks like rye flour. The officer brings in a briefcase and tests the powder with acid in a small test kit. He rose from the table and walked into the living room and told the son, "I'm charging you with possession and sale of heroin." The Miranda rights are read to the youth and he is handcuffed. There are the telltale marks of the addict on his arms.

The boy remains mute. The search intensifies and a Bryan officer training with the unit is going through a china cabinet in the dining room. I am watching as he tips over a china cup and four more bags fall out. They also are tested and the father is notified he is also being charged,

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as well as the mother. The whole family is mute now as a transport wagon is called for and the search continues. A McDonald's spoon with residue is found in the kitchen. The officer searching there tells me it is used as a measure to fill each bag. The total amount found during the raid would scarcely fill the inside of my watch but it totals out \$800 worth of heroin. The next day the unit finds \$55,000 worth on another raid.

As a reporter and photographer I am frustrated. You can't take pictures or name metro agents or you'll blow their cover. You can't take facial pictures of the defendents in fear of prejudicing their trial. I point the 35 mm toward the hands of the officers as they test the heroin.

When the wagon comes and the two patrolmen prepare to take the family to jail, I can't help but notice a picture of the youth. He tells me it was taken three years earlier. A solid, somewhat stocky lad who is the picture of health. Now he looks like a skinny man. An officer tells me he is probably selling to feed his own habit.

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Officers related to me on the way back that this is a known family selling operation. You feel both anger and pity over parents who permit their son to take this poison and in fact, the father has used it himself, according to reports.

heroin is pulled in from the raids.

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The inevitable paperwork is already underway at the Metro office when we return. Officers are tired but still joke with each other to ease the tension that has built up before and during the raids. They are tired, 14 straight hours on the go, one team still in the field, and early morning raids set. Eight raids net as many people and some \$60,000 of

This is more money than the unit is given under a grant for an entire year.

Yet, economic decline would be a boost for the poison sellers. The Metro Unit is in deep financial trouble as the result of cut-backs of contributions by political subdivisions.

Metro estimates some 100 sellers of heroin in Toledo. Most have been busted repeatedly by Metro. Kids usually get their first

taste of drugs from the family medicine cabinet. The "graduates" will writh on an emergency room table in a hospital from O.D. or until they make the morgue. More money is spent rehabilitating addicts than in keeping the stuff off the street.

As I drive for home at 4:30 a.m. I can't help but wonder if the public and the government will be stupid enough to let the Metro Unit die a financial death..





