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Police Memorial Services Held in Toledo

Police patrolmen and command officers representing seventeen area police departments participated in memorial services held to honor policemen who fell in the line of duty on Thursday May 15th at the Lucas County Courthouse.

This impressive and solemn ceremony began with the call to order by the American Legion Color Guard, of Toledo Police Post No. 512 and the invocation by Toledo Police Patrolmen's Association Chaplain Fr. Al Ceranowski. March music for the program was provided by the Woodward High School Band.

The main speaker of the ceremonies was Toledo Police Chief Corrin J. McGrath who pointed out that the role of the policeman in today's society is one of constant peril. The text of Chief McGrath's address appears on page four of this edition of the Police Shield along with the honor roll of those patrolmen felled in the line of duty on the Toledo department.

Participating in the reading of the roll call honoring their fallen comrades were Ken Perry Toledo Police Patrolmen's Association who served as master of ceremonies, James R. Porter President Fra-

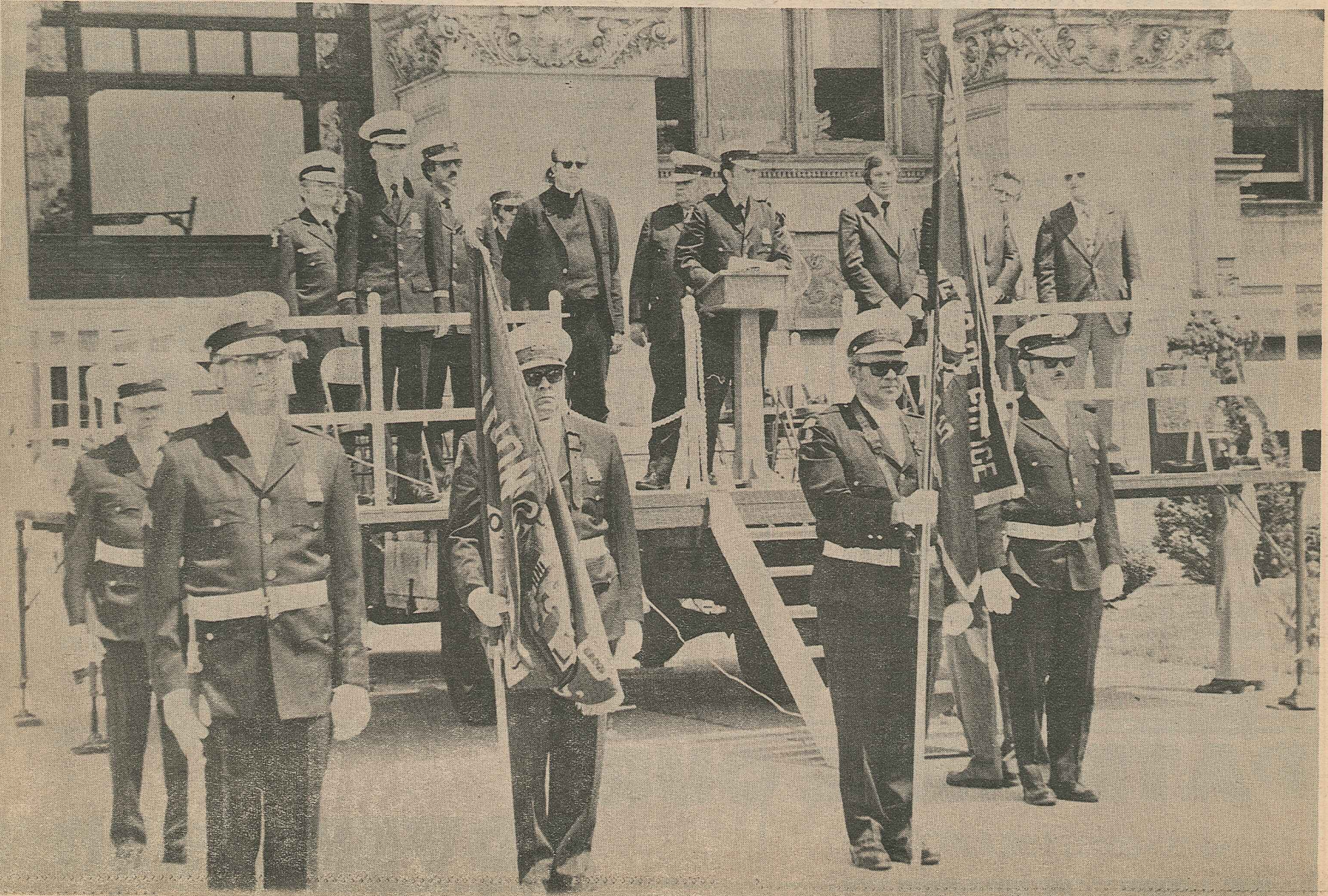
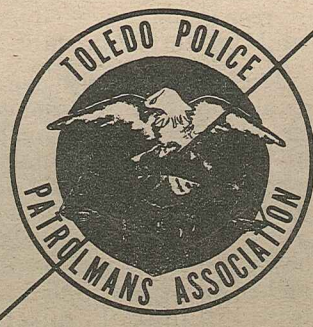
ternal Order of Police Lodge No. 40 and Walter Abele President Command Officers Association.

21-gun salute was presented by the American Legion Honor Guard as Taps was sounded for the fallen patrolmen. Ed Sommers Fraternal Order of Police gave the benediction as guest clergyman.

The memorial services were conducted in conjunction with National Police Week May 11th to 17th. A brunch for all police officers and their guests

was held at the F.O.P. hall following the ceremonies.

Those participating in the memorial services were Toledo Police Division, Lucas County Sheriff's Department; Maumee Police Department; Northwood Police Department; Oregon Police Department; Ohio State Patrol; Ottawa Hills Police Department; Waterville Police Department; Perrysburg Township Police; Rossford Police Department; Springfield Township Police; Sylvania City Police; Walbridge Police Department; Whitehouse Police Department and Airport Department of the Toledo Port Authority.



TPPA Opens Associate and Auxiliary Units

The Toledo Police Patrolmen's Association has announced plans to establish both an Associate Membership and TPPA Ladies Auxiliary. The Associate Membership will be open to interested members of the public.

Eligibility for the TPPA Ladies Auxiliary is limited to those wives, sisters, mothers or in-laws of police officers on the Toledo Police Department.

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A Letter Challenges Blade Letter

Mr. Leonard J. Russell
 607 Mackow Drive
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My Dear Mr. Russell:

After reading your opinion in The Blade recently regarding off-duty policemen being allowed to drink while carrying their guns prompted me to write this letter to you.

Did you ever stop to think that policemen go through months of vigorous mental and physical training to become qualified to carry a weapon. A policeman has to do a hell of a lot more to qualify to carry a gun than just apply for a permit.

Granted, he is only human, but do you think that he would pull and fire his gun if he felt his mind was incapable of handling the situation if one arose? I doubt it.

Most people are not aware of the tons of paperwork involved when a policeman fires his weapon. Do you think he would risk losing his job by being found mentally incapable of responding to a situation while off duty? I doubt it.

True, some policemen do drink, but can you honestly say that all the police involved in the shooting at Jakey's where there to drink? I don't think so. To give you an example — if you were walking down the street late at night and someone with a gun tried to rob you and at the same time an off-duty policeman was coming out of a bar a few feet away, wouldn't you want and expect him to help you, whether or not he had been drinking? I believe your answer would be "yes". A policeman's job is to protect his community, even if he must endanger his own life to do so, so don't you think it's about time people like you stopped criticizing our policemen! I'd lay you odds that you wouldn't trade jobs with him after you stopped to realize how dangerous his job really is.

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As We See It

By Ken Perry, President
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Several things have transpired since we last reported to you a month ago in this column. Elections of officers were being held shortly after this edition of The Shield went to press, so members can receive a full report on the elections by attending the next TPPA meeting.

Toledo was host for the Ohio Union of Patrolmen's Assns. state convention, held here May 22-24 at the Commodore Perry Motor Inn. I am pleased to note that many of our members, who are not delegates to the state organization, stopped in to chat with association members from other cities. However, I think it would have been beneficial to some of those members who wonder just what the Toledo Police Patrolmen's Assn. does for them to have stopped by one of the meeting sessions.

Several pieces of legislation at the state and national levels were discussed and action taken upon by the convention delegates. On Friday, May 23, the afternoon session was attended by Edward J. Kiernan, president of the International Conference of Police Assns., who reported on progress of collective bargaining agreements throughout the nation by police patrolmen's unions.

Kiernan, as our international union president, also gave

us a comprehensive report on the problems being encountered by the Chicago and Detroit departments relative to layoffs and agreements which have been negotiated with the aid of the union for these departments up to this point.

I believe that members of the Toledo Police Patrolmen's Assn. are getting far more out of your dues dollar than you realize. In addition to several meetings held between the TPPA and command and/or the city administration to resolve a number of local problems over the past few months, your state association has successfully negotiated a public employee bargaining rights bill which has come out of the State Senate. Additional changes on this bill, SB 70, are still being sought by the state association with full support from the local associations.

President Kiernan testified before the House of Representatives on the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service for liberalization of present restrictions on employee political rights. He emphasized before the committee that public employees should have a full right to engage in political campaigns at all levels. Kiernan speaks for the 170,000 members of the ICPA which serves as our international union.

In closing, I would like to

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By TOM PURCEL


During advanced registration the student's appointment to register is decided first by his total number of hours. If several different students have exactly the same number of hours, the appointment is then determined by their grade point average.

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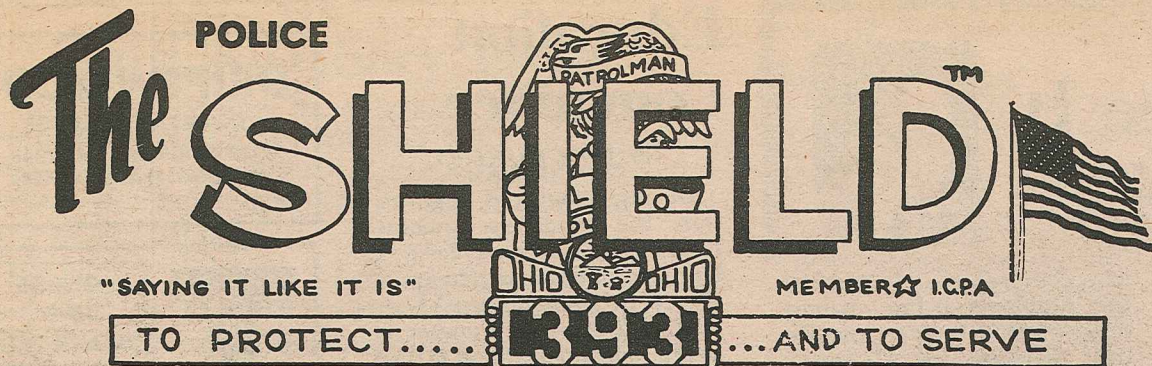
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Editorial Page

Chief McGrath Pays Tribute To Officers Fallen In Duty

We are here today to pay our respects to those police officers who have given their lives in the line of duty. These officers, although they knew of the danger inherent in the profession of being a police officer, nevertheless believed that they would not have been one of those officers who would be shot down in the line of duty.

One might say Toledo doesn't face the same crime or violence rate as do the cities of Chicago, Detroit, or New York. It has been almost five years since Officer Miscannon was violently killed here in Toledo. In those five years, this city has found that the number of crimes where a handgun is used has increased extensively.

For the first three months of 1975, there were 278 reported crimes where a gun was used, including only homicide, robbery, aggravated assault, and carrying a concealed weapon. In 1974 the same crimes accounted for 1,339 cases where a handgun was used.

From 1970 to 1974, there was an increase of 857 crimes a year, where a handgun was used. That is a 178% increase.

Nationally in 1974, 132 police officers were killed in the line of duty. In 1973 it was 134. There does not appear to be any lessening of that effect to date. Of those officers killed in the line of duty, 72% were killed with handguns.

It is amazing that little or no progress seems to be made in the area of gun control legislation. If Congress would consider seriously that only a few years ago murders were being committed at the rate of 10,000 a year, and today this crime is occurring at the rate of 20,518 per year, one would think a Congressman would take cognizance of such a fact and statistic.

Or, why doesn't the Congress compare the facts where handguns are used, and the continuing spiraling crime rate to the fact that the national recidivism rate for both adult and juvenile offenders is 72.4%? We continue to turn the criminal back on the street before rehabilitation.

We have our own prime example of turning criminals back on the street. In our attempts to bring the accused killer of Officer Miscannon to trial for the third time, a federal judge ruled that in effect, we would be putting the suspect through a great hardship. That is so unbelievable it's almost laughable, if the circumstances weren't so tragic. Here again, we see the supposed rights of the suspect paramount to the rights of Officer McCannon's family and the citizens of Toledo.

The criminal justice system has become exactly that: justice for the criminal — not for society and the victim! When the killers of the officers we honor today shot their victims, they didn't consider the officers' rights! They violently took the officer's rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness away, by pulling a trigger. These killers were not protecting anyone's rights!

They were doing what all criminals do best — take someone else's rights, then turn around and demand all their rights and technicalities, so that they may be turned out on the street to do the same thing again.



If one were to take a simplistic approach to statistics, it could be estimated that of the 1,339 individuals who used a handgun for crime in 1974 in Toledo, 964 of those same individuals could turn around and commit the same crime again in 1975. The fact is not so inconceivable, when one considers the opportunities a criminal has in returning to the street prior to his going to trial for the first time. But, while he is awaiting trial for the first time, he is out committing a second, third, or fourth subsequent offense.

Another alarming fact is that the homicide rate has doubled since 1960. The rate is now higher than that of the so-called "gangster era." In the years 1968 to 1973 alone, murders increased by 42%, and by population groups, cities over 250,000 have the highest rate. In the central states in 1973, handguns were used in 72% of the homicides.

If our society continues killing each other at the rate that they have been, during the next 3 1/2 years there will be more citizens killed than all of the American soldiers killed during the 12 years of the Vietnam conflict, which ran from 1961 to 1973.

We, in the police service, wonder why the laws that are presently on the books cannot be meted out to their full effect. Can't the state legislators and congressmen pass laws that add non-probationable sentences to those individuals who use handguns in the commission of any crime. Traditionally however, sentences of this sort have been plea-bargained away and as a consequence, the individual is afforded the opportunity to prey upon society once again.

The banning of handguns, in and of itself, will accomplish very little. The only ones to profit from such laws are the criminals. The criminal

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By Patrolman Bob Morrissey

Who Where Those Guys In The Maroon Uniforms?

I suppose if I weren't a policeman I could tell this story the way I think it really happened, but... well... I can't bring myself to say that I believe in ghosts. They'd laugh me out of the department. So, I'll just give you the facts and let you take it from there.

I played football at Woodward High School and for a couple of years under Frosty England at Toledo U. and then went into the service... about seven years in all — when I found myself out of school and a rookie cop. I was suddenly faced with the idea that there were no more football games for me to play and I wasn't ready for it. I still needed the challenge, the contact, and the team companionship. Maybe the idea of becoming a spectator hit me as a sign of old age. I didn't like it. I wasn't going to have it.

I soon discovered there were plenty of others like me: Bill Greus, Lyle Veler, Porter King, Delroy Pryba, Fred Gilmore, Chuck Pitzen, Simmie Harris, Stan Sterger, Ken Abbey, Bob Branyan, and plenty more. Make a noise like a football and there they were.

That's how the Toledo Tornados were born in 1956. We heard about a semi-pro football league up in Michigan and decided to be part of it. Veler and I were selected to contact the league. Two days later we were invited to attend a league meeting in Detroit. That's where the trouble started.

They were okay to us — too good. Next thing you know we had a game booked at Melvindale outside of Detroit and had agreed to post a \$500 forfeiture bond against non-appearance for a game the following Saturday. We didn't even have a team yet, let alone uniforms...but we had a schedule.

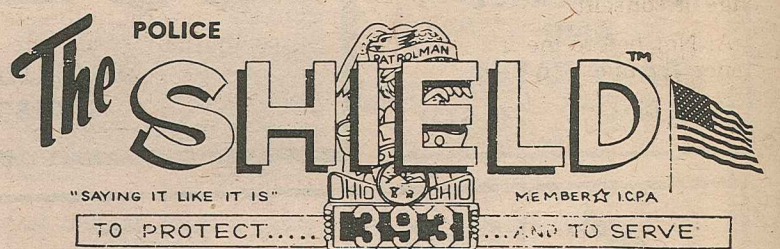
The next day about 30 guys showed up for practice. We had a meeting first and talked about money; the \$500 forfeiture bond and \$2,000 for uniforms. Suddenly it was the quietest meeting I ever attended. Porter King was doing some figuring and finally he came up with the idea of everyone chipping in \$16.50 each to make the bond. It didn't quite work out that way. Some guys had to give more because others could give less, but we finally came up with the money.

We posted the bond in Monroe, but the uniforms turned out to be something else. We tried everything, but we couldn't raise the price of a football or the air to go in it, let alone the price of uniforms. The game was less than six days away and it was getting serious, especially with our \$500 already posted.

That's when this old man came into our lives. Don't ask me from where.

"You boys need uniforms?" he quavered. "I've got a set you can use."

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Judge Gary Gabriel Interviewed By Shield In Continuing Series

Second of a series by Patrolmen George Gerken.

Judge Gary E. Gabriel graduated from the University of Toledo Law School in 1955. He started as a deputy clerk in the Probate Department in charge of inheritance tax. After passing the bar exam, he spent 9 years in general practice in the Toledo area. In 1965 he became a prosecutor for the Toledo Municipal Court and acted as such until 1970. In December of 1970 he was appointed to the Toledo Municipal Court bench by Governor Rhodes to fill a vacancy. He was elected in November of 1971 and is presently serving in that capacity.

Q. There seems to be some question as to whether the municipal court judges put in the expected amount of time; the proverbial 40 hour week.

A. By all means they do. The judges put in much more than the basic 40 hour week. I have had occasion to be up until 3 a.m. preparing and writing an opinion on a motion I was hearing. This type of work has to be done at home, it involves a lot of research, preparation and thought and things tend to get too hectic around here for that. Aside from occasional opinion writing, I feel the day to day work around here, particularly under the new rules of superintendence entails at least 40 hours of work per week. In fact, the last time I was on jury trials I was here until 8 p.m. one day and 7 p.m. on another. I might mention that I have 75 pretrials scheduled for next week.

Q. Is it common practice to drop charges and plea bargain during a pretrial hearing without the officers knowledge or consent?

A. Not before me it's not. I generally insist that the officers be brought into the dis-

ussion before any bargains are reached. It's not a general practice to drop charges without the officers' consent even though there have been isolated instances where this has occurred. Most of the prosecutors around here, even though they have varying attitudes, feel that they cannot negotiate a plea bargain without the officers' consent. I would like to make one point. When I acted as a prosecutor and I felt that a reduction of a charge was necessary based upon the inability to prove the charge, and a policeman would refuse to go alone, then I would say that I'm the person responsible for this case from a legal standpoint and irrespective of your views I'm going to recommend a reduction to the judge. I must say that that happened very infrequently.

Q. Is it the duty of the municipal court judges to blindly follow the law or can a municipal court judge set a precedent in a criminal matter.

A. That's a very good question and one that needs answering. When you become a judge you take an oath to support the constitution, and to enforce the laws, particularly in the area where the Supreme Court has spoken; this becomes the "law of the land" and every judge by his oath is bound to follow the law of the land. If there is a Supreme Court Case, particularly in the area of search and seizure, the judge is bound to follow the law. He cannot make his own law. Now, I'm not saying that this is always done this way, but when it isn't, then it's improper and the judge is subject to being reversed by a higher court.

Q. Is it true then that a lower court judge who originally sets a precedent that is later upheld by the supreme court was acting in an improper manner

by rendering his original decision?

A. No, you might say he was walking in an unmarked, unmapped, area of which there are many in the law. When operating in an area where the higher courts haven't spoken, then the judge has to use his best judgement and sort of shoot from the hip.

Q. Does the fear of being overruled by the Appeals court affect your decisions greatly?

A. No, I'm not too concerned with that. I consider myself pretty knowledgeable on rules of evidence and procedure and I try to follow them to the best of my ability. I really haven't been overruled much, in fact in the 15 cases that have gone to Appeals court, 13 have been upheld.

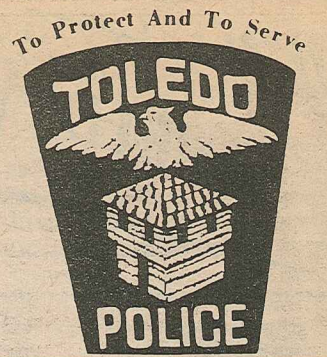
Q. Your reputation is one of being more popular with the defense lawyers than police. It seems that you allow the defense much more latitude than the prosecutor. Would you like to comment on this?

A. Yes! This goes back to what I said earlier. I try to follow the law and keep abreast of the changes in the law. When I preside over a trial, I feel it is my duty to follow the applicable law and if this results in granting a motion to suppress let's say, or a finding of not guilty, I'm bound by my oath and am expected to follow it. When I was a prosecutor in this court, I tried not to take a

bad case to trail and that is a problem before the courts now. There are a lot of bad cases being tried. If the prosecutors would handle things correctly a lot of the bad cases would never come to trial; they would be either plea bargained away or dropped altogether. This may be a surprise to some people because they thought — ah, ha, an ex-prosecutor on the bench, he'll rubber stamp the police because he's prosecution minded. I pride myself in the fact that I do not consider myself prosecution minded. I would like to say for the record that I do not consider myself defense minded either. I like to think that I am sitting there in a neutral and detached position.

Q. Do you have any suggestions or comments you would like to direct to our police officers?

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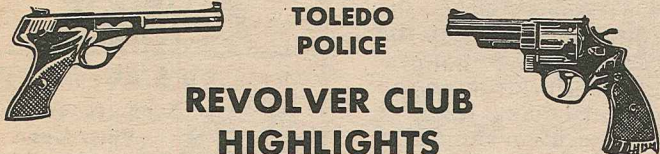
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REVOLVER CLUB HIGHLIGHTS

BY BOB MATECKI, PRESIDENT

London, Ontario Perfect Host

The TPRC members and their wives, some 16 strong, along with Chief McGrath and his wife made the 18th annual trip to London, Ontario for the Spring International Combat match. President Matecki and Sergeant-at-Arms Perkins arrived at the border and cleared the way for all members to get the necessary permits. Permits were brought to the border by a special police officer after a slight delay and being cleared by customs.

The Canadians once again were fantastic hosts with several Toledo members being given the red carpet treatment by the VIP's at Labatts Brewery. One thing for sure is they will not run dry. A special thanks to Mr. S. M. (Sam) McLeod, the London community relations manager for Labatts.

At the range on Saturday, the 17th, things got under way about 11 a.m. and ended up about 3 p.m. with many disgusted and tired shooters, some finding their faults and others finding out what Soyds outdoors is like. As the top six scores were added up, things started looking good for Toledo as they took first place for our 34th win out of 35 at the spring meet. Top shooter was Dick Studyvin from Toledo with 557 - 19X. Toledo won the event with 3240 - 78X out of a possible 3600 against London's score of 3003 - 55X with the following scores of the top 6 shooters from both teams.

Toledo

- Dick Studyvin — 557 - 19X
- Dick Parton — 555 - 12X
- Fred Neipp — 540 - 10X
- Bob Ahrens — 538 - 16X
- Dave Perkins — 535 - 16X
- Bob Matecki — 515 - 5X

London

- Harry Taylor — 538 x 13X
- Jim Tomlinson — 518 - 11X
- Ken Stapleton — 510 - 14X
- Bill Larder — 508 - 10X
- Don McCall — 477 - 6X
- Bob Weatherstone — 452 - 1X

Toledo's Bill Palmer ended up in 7th spot with 509 - 10X

and said he will not be considered a bridesmaid and never a bride as he will be back for another try.

Chief Corrin McGrath and London's Inspector McBride went through the course and Chief McGrath defeated Inspector McBride with undisclosed scores. McGrath and McBride both had a fantastic time and would like to see the event get bigger.

London's Revolver Club President Harry Taylor did a wonderful job of getting his club going again. Much credit should be given to Pete LaSege, who was just a little overbearing in seeing everybody had a good time.

At the presentation of awards at which Officer LeSege did an outstanding job, along with the president of London's club, a special award was given from London to Toledo's Chief McGrath, much to his surprise. After a wonderful time.

On Sunday, many Toledo officers were taken on a tour of the new Police building which is only for Police functions. It was built at a cost of 4.5 million and is complete with an indoor range, gym, sauna bath, workout room, and various other facilities. It also includes an underground parking garage for Police vehicles, a Police only vehicle repair garage with wheel alignment and balance, and all types of repairs including a dynamometer and 3 hosts. Much thanks to Pete LaSage and Inspector McBride for a guided tour.

Once again, thanks, London.

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Community Service Notes

By Joe Skonecki, TPPA
Community Service Officer



is tell that member it is going to cost him anywhere from 25% to 35% for that attorney's services.

As a union member your community service officer can assist you in the same way an attorney and his services are going to cost you 0%.

Another thing I would like to point out is this. If someone in your family — a working wife, your parents, whether working or retired, are having problems contact me. If I don't have the answer I'll find it out and get it back to you as soon as possible. I'm working 2000 x 0400 and my phone number is listed at the sergeant's desk.

Currently, I'm serving on the Community Services Committee, that is made up of community service officers from our local union organizations. The meeting I attended last week concerned retirees. The

On March 1, 1975 I was appointed Community Service Officer of the TPPA for the benefit of its members. Since that time I have been busy familiarizing myself with that position.

The very first thing I found out is that there are 84 agencies in the Toledo area alone that I had to learn about, and aside from our local area, there is State and Federal agencies also. So, I began visiting these agencies, meeting different people and building some rapport. The co-operation I received and the welcome I got, I'm happy to report, really gives me high hope for the future. Everyone has just been great. Especially the local union representatives.

Because of the forethought of our union leadership, especially Ken Perry, I believe we owe these officers a note of thanks. Not only is the community service officer position going to make all of us aware of the benefits we are entitled to, but it will build a solid foundation of public relations among agencies in the community.

To list everything that is available to police officers in this report would not be very practical because each situation is different. But, as police officers, we are mainly interested in what is available to us as a result of an on the job injury or death. So, I want any member that is having problems with state compensation or any related problem to contact me first before doing anything.

This is the reason why. Generally speaking, the first thing a member does when he believes he is entitled to benefits is to contact an attorney. And the first thing an attorney does

committee is going to act as a springboard to organize our retirees into an active role in their behalf. For instance, repealing our laws that will exempt retired people from local and state taxes. Don't laugh; before you know it, you'll be drawing that pension.

I'll attempt to keep the members abreast of what is happening, but in the mean time if you have any questions or problems, contact me.

See you at the next meeting.

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Morrissey's Column

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This was crazy. What would an old bird like this be doing with football uniforms?

"I've got them at the house," he went on, "drive me over there and you can take a look at them."

Well, we had nothing to lose but Lyle's gasoline, so we took him up on it.

It was an ordinary house like dozens of others around it. The old man invited us to follow him and slowly he made his way up to the second floor and into an attic. There in a neat row were about 25 cardboard boxes. He picked up two of them, wiped away a thin layer of dust, and carried them downstairs. We follow.

He opened a box and help up a deep red jersey with white stripes on each sleeve. It was like something I'd seen in an old Frank Merriwell illustration. There was padding cross-stitched at the shoulders and reinforced leather pads sewed to the elbows. The pants were heavily padded all around and very large and very loose. From a second box he pulled a helmet. This uniform had to be from the 1911 era — early 1911.

I looked at Veler and he looked at me. The old man intercepted the glances and read them better than either of us.

"These uniforms," he quavered, "were worn by the Toledo Maroons and we played the best. We started out just like you, an independent team made up of guys who loved the competition, and played for whatever we could get. It took real men to wear these uniforms."

"Sure, Pop," I said, "but things have changed. Those uniforms are a little out of style."

"We played in the early pro leagues," he went on, "you know, what is now the National Football League, and we took on the greatest players that schools like Michigan, Ohio State, and Notre Dame could produce. And the Carlisle Indians."

I was worried about getting back to practice. The old guy kept rattling off names and teams. Some were familiar. Most were before my time. We backed off and I finally said, "We'll be seeing you, Pop. We'll be seeing you."

Lyle and I spent a lot of time in the next two days trying to find someone who would equip us; but, man, it just wasn't to be. Time was growing short and we were worried not only about not playing football but about losing our \$500. Some of that money came from where it never should have been touched, and we just couldn't afford to lose it.

We didn't know what to do. There seemed to be no answer, except every time we looked up, the old guy would be there. Finally we had no choice. We'd wear the old uniforms.

The old guy watched as we carried them from the attic to the car, box by box. He'd look at the number on the outside of a box and mutter a name — five, Lou Mauder; thirteen, John Schimmel; seventeen, Hughie Hackett. We carted the stuff over to the field, the old man with us. It was evident he was going to be wherever his uniforms were.

One look at the gear and immediately all the guys became standup comics. Everybody said he was Jim Thorpe or Knute Rockne and made fun of the fact that the pants were so long they could use armholes.

Personally, I was pretty depressed, but I couldn't help from thinking that the old Maroons must have been quite a team to wear such big uniforms.

Saturday came too soon and we went to Melvindale for the game. They had quite a plant there; a beautiful field and good dressing facilities. All of a sudden I found the idea of going out onto the field in our 1915 model uniforms almost a greater challenge than I could handle.

We sat around the dressing room saying nothing until someone shouted that it was our turn to warm up. Everybody just sat for a minute. Finally Lyle got up and started for the door and the rest of us followed. No one busted the door the way we should have; no one cared if he lived long enough to reach the field.

But, almost automatically, we hit the gridiron and started charging up and down the field in short spurts. At first the crowd seemed to be cheering our amazing costumes, but in a short time we became aware that they were laughing at us.

I heard one guy yell, "If you're for real, I'm glad I'm a fake." They started calling us the "Toledo Antiques," and even the referee came over and asked us if these were the uniforms in which we were going to play. It couldn't have been worse if we'd gone out there naked.

It didn't help any when the Melvindale team showed up dressed in sharp new green and white uniforms with shiny white plastic helmets and pants that fit them like bikinis.

The first half was a nightmare. I played quarterback on offense, but don't ask me what I was calling. Our helmets would not stay on right, the pants were too loose, and we couldn't do anything right. We were blocking into our ball carriers, falling over ourselves, and moving around in a semi-daze. Normally, I'd have all kinds of trouble keeping the guys quiet in the huddle. They'd all be telling me to run the play over them or to let them carry or to hit them with a pass. That's one of the quarterback's problems. Each guy is so sure that he can blast his man easily that he's trying to call the game for you.

This night, however, all the conversation was about the uniforms. We couldn't run. We couldn't hit. The halftime score was 14-0 and we were lucky it wasn't worse.

Frankly, I didn't care anything about the score. All that I wanted to do was get the game over with, get out of the uniform,

and go hide. I wasn't tired; I wasn't hot. I was just plain miserable — sick of being laughed at, sick of everything, sick of everybody.

It was crazy. Nobody had any injuries. Nobody had anything to say. Nobody even got up to get a drink. We just sat. Finally Lyle went out and came back with the old man. He was as low as the rest of us.

"He's been taking a lot of abuse from those clowns in the stands," Lyle explained, "Who do the sons-of-bums think they are?"

It was just then that a chill hit me. I raised my head and looked around. The other guys were starting to straighten up, too. It was like an awakening. Someone yelled, "Let's get out there, gang!" It might have been me. I don't know. I don't remember everything that I did after that.

We hit the door and kep blasting through. The band hadn't finished its number, but we shot out among them yelling, cursing charging.

"It's our field," Lyle or someone yelled, "nobody allowed on our field."

The band hustled off, frightened, and we were really high. Let 'em laugh, but they'd be laughing with their faces in the mud. We were crazy. It was all unreal.

Suddenly I could see everything. I could sense things before they happened. Our line wasn't opening holes, it was puching their line back. I could call anything and it worked like magic. It was a one-team show. I shouted all through the game; and when it ended we had won, 28-14. I don't remember if I was laughing or crying. I do know that by the time we stalked proudly off the field, a lot of the crowd was cheering for us.

As soon as I reached the dressing room it all left me. Suddenly I was more sore and more tired than I'd ever been after a game. I managed to get out of the uniform and into a shower. When I returned, my uniform and the others were gone. The old man had collected them and put them in several car trunks.

We had a good payday from the game and Monday we were able to get credit from the Athletic Supply for new uniforms. In the excitement of the season, I didn't give the old guy any more thought, but one night I asked Lyle how he was doing.

"How would I know?" Lyle Shot back. "I haven't seen him since the game. How did you ever come up with him?"

"I never saw him before he offered those uniform," I assured him. Neither of us, it turned out, even knew his name.

Well, we never got around to looking him up. I don't know if he's still around. Probably not. But if I weren't a cop, I'd wonder whether that was us playing in those uniforms that second half or if that was the last game for the great old Toledo Maroons.

T.P.P.A. Picnic Set for June 28

The Toledo Police Patrolmen's Association will hold its annual picnic on Saturday June 28th at Vollmer's Park near Grand Rapids. Whitey Knannlein chairman of the picnic committee said the picnic will run from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Refreshments for adults and children will be served. The park includes several recreational facilities for children along with contests for young and old including a gall game.

All T.P.P.A. members and their families are invited to attend. All rides at the park are free as are the refreshments which include beer pop and buffet of bar-b-que chicken roast beef and several side dishes.

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Searching for Weapon

Patrolmen Rich Lloyd and John Pakulski are shown as they searched weeds in back of the 2300 block of Ashland Avenue for a weapon fired by a 16 - year - old at Patrolman Jim Lopinski late last month. The youth was found hiding under an abandoned auto nearby, and the officers located the weapon shortly after. Patrolman Lopinski had answered a complaint of three youths at Mercy Hospital and had attempted to stop the youths when one took the gun from a paper bag and fired it at him. He was not injured in the incident.

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**FROM
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Father Al Ceranowski, Chaplain
Toledo Police Patrolmen's Association

On May 15, 1975, we of Toledo paid our honor and respect to those patrolmen who had been killed in the line of duty. We should often thank God for sending us such dedicated people to protect and to serve us. For truly they gave all for our protection and in our service. Let us not forget to offer our love and sympathy to their bereaved loved ones.

If honesty and safety are to continue to exist in Toledo, we all must work and cooperate to keep law and order. However, the special calling of those who wear the badge and the blue, calls them to make extraordinary efforts to further the cause of justice and to combat crime.

Over the centuries God has asked many to give up righteousness or give up their lives. Over the centuries many have denied crime and have died for the good of others. If men and women are going to continue to respond to the cause of righteousness, others will be mowed down and buried in this good earth. However, as the lawn is cut only to grow more beautiful, the death of a patrolman means a better life for us all. Those who sin are poisoned by the very venom they spew. The message that is heard around the world is that patrolmen will pay any price and bear any burden to establish peace on earth and good will to mankind.

In order to have a special service in memory of the death of one who served in this unique position in our society, many months ago we began working to create a memorial service for a deceased member of the Toledo Police Patrolmen's Association. Our intention was to design a service that was truly ecumenical. To do this we consulted many ministers of different churches to help us write prayers that would be cherished by all. We want our prayers to praise and glorify God and to offer comfort and consolation to the bereaved. We also wished to involve those fellow patrolmen who attend the service. There-



fore, the prayers alternate between chaplain and patrolmen. Finally, copies will be available to all who attend the service that they may follow the prayers and praise God in their hearts.

This month and always let us pray to God that He reward our deceased patrolmen with an eternal life of goodness and happiness. They had done God's will on earth by delivering us from evil. Their witness, their tribute, their sacri-

**So You Think
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By Patrolman Sam Mason

Before you start telling me your problems, let me tell you why I am three and a half hours late for work, boss.

I started today last night when I set my alarm clock a half hour early so I would get into work before punch - in time. This morning the clock not only did not go off a half hour early, it went off a half hour late. I awoke with a start realizing I had to get it in gear and hustle, hustle, hustle. I quickly showered and shaved (I only cut myself twice) and as I was dressing, one of my shoestrings broke (which is why I have one cloth and one leather shoestring in my shoes).

I ran out to the garage and as I turned the key on and heard the sick sound of my battery trying to start I knew this would be a bad day. I then ran next door and got my neighbor up (he works midnights) and he used his car battery to get me started. As I was backing out of the driveway, that leaky carburetor that I have been promising myself to fix caught on fire. The fire ruined my car because when the fire department responded, the fire truck went out of control and ran over the fire plug in front of my house and as I ran to keep from getting wet I ran into the passing bus (the one I should have taken when my car wouldn't start). The firemen

fice has clearly shown us all that God's justice is the Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory, now and forever. Amen.

insisted that I be taken to the hospital for a checkup. I did not mind going to the hospital for a check - up, but I lost my cool when the hospital attendant took me up to surgery instead of X-ray. (Some guy that looked like me was scheduled for an apendectomy).

When I finally got out of the hospital the friendly firemen that insisted on taking me there were gone. I called a cab. The disturbance in front when I came in, was the cab driver threatening to have me hauled off to jail for not paying the cab fare (I forgot my wallet too). I told him to call the cops. So far, today, I have nothing else to lose except my job.

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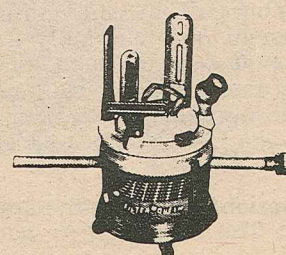
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Lucas County Sheriff Explains Bill To Permit Abolition

By William M. Callanan
Sheriff, Lucas County

As the Sheriff of Lucas County and a veteran peace officer, I respect many of the traditions surrounding the sheriff's office. I appreciate the high regard for this office held by the people of many communities, especially rural counties where the sheriff is the chief, sometimes the only, law enforcement officer in charge. In these situations the sheriff usually receives the full support of the local citizenry.

Ohio law does proclaim the sheriff as the chief law enforcement officer in all 88 Ohio counties. In actual practice, however, it does not always work out that way. In fact, the sheriff's duties in some areas are so diminished as to raise serious doubt as to the need for perpetuating the office.

When it is viewed in a metropolitan setting, such as in Lucas County, the extent of the sheriff's domain and authority is greatly limited by the rapid growth of incorporated cities and towns as well as in other ways as we shall see later on.

In our county only 8% of the population remains unincorporated and under the sheriff's jurisdiction. In some Ohio counties, such as Cuyahoga, the entire population is incorporated leaving no need for a sheriff's patrol.

In Lucas County my men are called upon to protect 40,000 residents scattered over half the county. In spite of all the efforts I have made or the efforts of previous sheriffs to obtain adequate patrols, these areas still remain undermanned and unprotected compared to the standards of other police agencies.

The sheriff's police power remains at one (1) deputy for fifteen hundred (1500) residents, lowest coverage in the county.

Remote townships such as Washington and Jerusalem, 15 miles apart, depend on one patrol car for both areas. A back-up car when needed travels twenty miles from west of Toledo, through urban territory, to reach the scene. It seems quite ridiculous that we can pretend to properly protect these people with this kind of manpower.

I have always maintained these isolated townships could be serviced by the nearby police of Toledo and Oregon if a contract could be made to cover them.

In the meantime we see rural and suburban crime rising faster than city crime according to government figures. Our small patrol of four cars and one command car cannot hope to stem the rising tide of crime in the county, even though our annual record of crime control looks better than the City of Toledo for the last two years. For some months of 1974 the rise was astronomical, as much as 50% and 70% for parts of the county. To augment the limited police power of the sheriff, some townships have hired part-time constables. In



Sylvania Township a full time police force equal to the size of the sheriff's patrol covers an area one-eighth (1/8) the size of the sheriff's territory.

In ten (10) Lucas County cities and towns police departments both great and small are established. By comparison with the sheriff's force most of them are better paid and better manned and equipped. In spite of this duplication and fragmentation of police authority there are large areas of the county with little or no protection. The county can be used as a convenient hiding place for city criminals and vice versa.

It is my belief that no effective crime control is possible until the entire county is treated as "a total crime control area."

In the interest of a safer community and the best use of available police power, it is my contention that all these police agencies could operate more efficiently under a central command—a countywide police agency using the available trained manpower of these departments as a foundation.

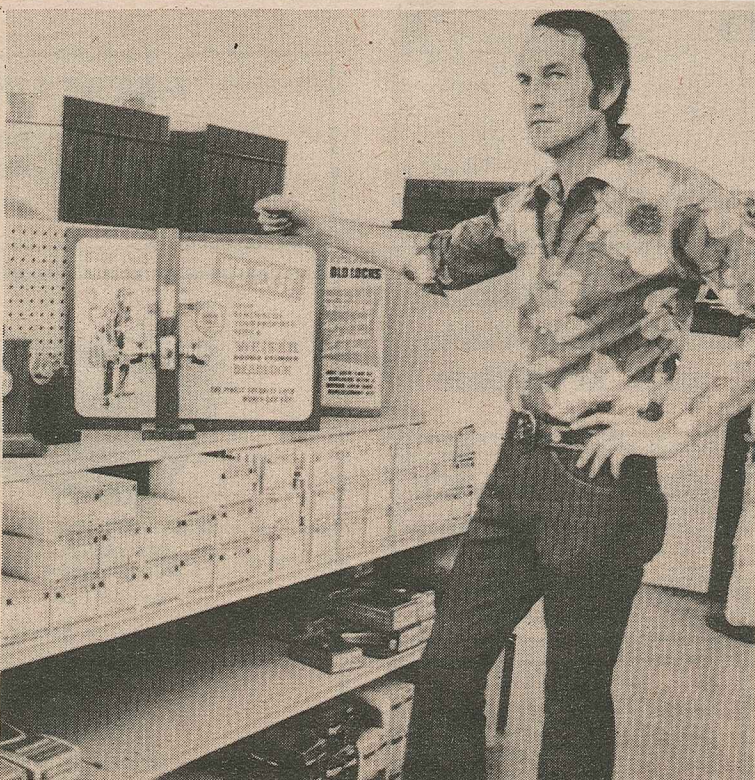
If we are not ready for this kind of a merger of existing police agencies we could at least find a solution to the crime

problems of the unincorporated areas of the county. This could be found by establishing a County Police Department serving under a County Police Commission. This would be a great improvement over the sheriff's limited patrols where the sheriff must share funds that might be available for law enforcement with a county jail operation and other services that absorb 75% of his budget.

At present, if the sheriff asks for more road patrol he is refused and he may be accused of playing politics. We cannot escape the fact that most law enforcement agencies do not operate directly in the political arena as does the sheriff.

A separate County Police Department such as this could operate on its own merits with its own funds and would probably attract the public support it deserves. The present trained sheriff's patrol officers could serve as a nucleus for the new department. Additional men and equipment would be needed to provide adequate policing. The real dividends would be derived from better law enforcement and a potential saving of life and property.

The means of establishing such a County Police Department or alternate provisions to allow county commissioners to contract with municipalities, such as Toledo, Ohio, for a county police force, are contained in Ohio House Bill #288 which I and Rep. Arthur Wilkowski have sponsored and which was introduced to the Ohio Legislature. This bill represents permissive legislation to allow voters of Ohio counties with less than 20% unincorporated populations the right to abolish sheriff's offices which they consider as obsolete. The citizens of Lucas County interested in a safe community and better law enforcement should support this bill by writing to the members of the Ohio House of Representatives urging them to vote for this measure.



Bill McElheney, owner of McElheney Hardware, displays one of his many selections of locks that are available at the new location. (Shield Staff Photo)



The huge new billboard speaks for itself, announcing the location of McElheney Hardware & Locksmith at 1301 Adams Street in downtown Toledo.

(Shield Staff Photo)

Patrolmen Have New Neighbor

The Toledo Police Patrolmen's Assn. office has a new neighbor. Well, not really a new neighbor, but a long time friend that has moved in closer.

McElheney Hardware, which has been serving customers at 1430 Adams from 1950 until now, has just about completed their moving campaign to their new and bigger location at 1301 Adams.

Bill McElheney, owner of the hardware and locksmith operation, expressed pride in stating that four generations have operated the McElheney hardware stores in Toledo, since it was founded by his grandfather in 1911.

Originally McElheney Hardware was opened in 1911 at 1505 Adams where they stayed until 1950.

McElheney hardware has been consistent, as they have now been located for 64 years on Adams Street in downtown Toledo.

Ironically enough, there is more back history to the new McElheney location. The Sheet Metal International Union was born at that location back in the late 1800s, as the sheet metal workers held their first meeting there in the back of the store, when it was also a hardware store.

Bill McElheney invites all

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Besides offering many name brands in the hardware line, McElheney hardware prides themselves on the locksmith and security business.

Ken Perry, president of the Toledo Police Patrolmen's Assn., personally invites all his members, as does Bill McElheney, to stop in to get acquainted with the new premises.

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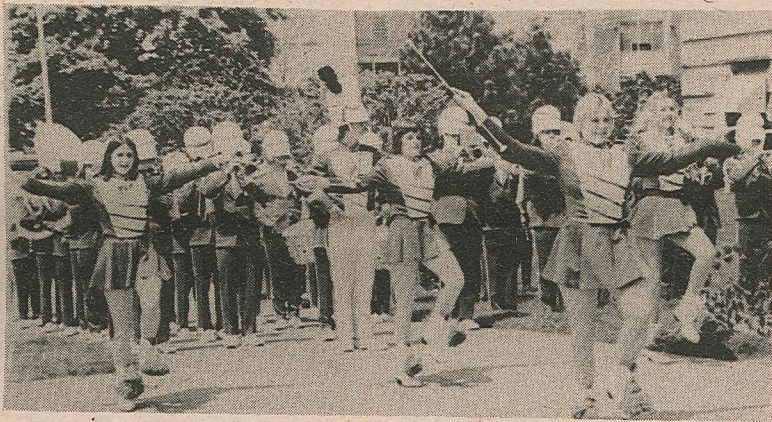
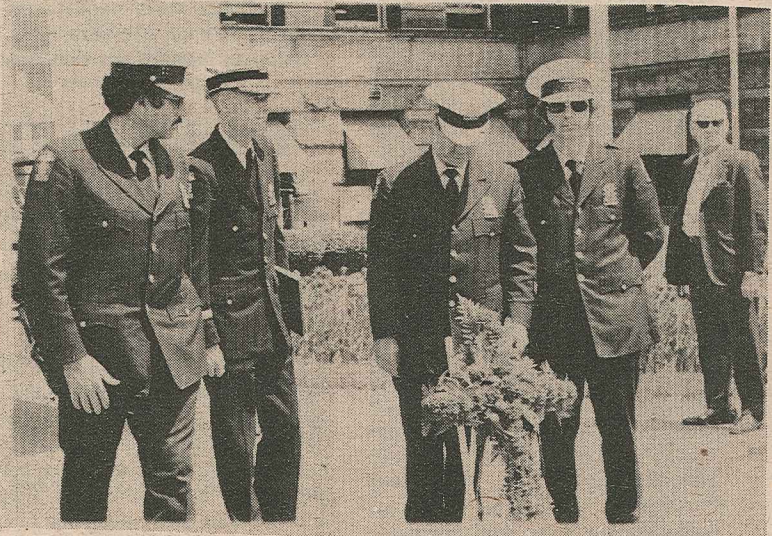
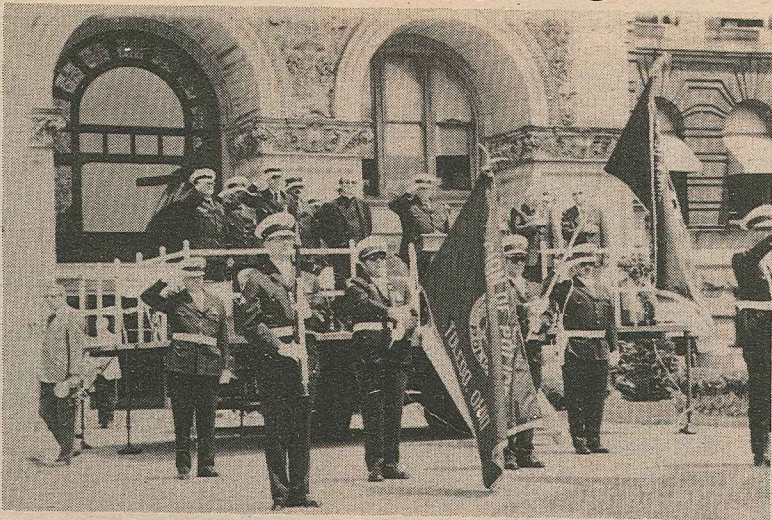
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As a parent and a teacher, I feel strongly that TPPA's position on the Anti-Dart Program is analogous to the above. The fact is, children are going to cross in the middle of the block sometime in their young lives — whether it be to join a playmate who lives directly across the street, or to retrieve a ball that has rolled into the street from the front of their house. It is as totally unrealistic, in my opinion, to deny this as it would be to deny the fact that policemen cross in the middle of the block in front of the Safety Building (despite orders (law?) issued to the contrary). The traffic engineers were thinking safety realistically when they painted a crosswalk in the middle of the block in front of the Lucas County Family Services Building.

I would hope that TPPA's dedication to "protect and serve" Toledo's children would lead them to take a closer look at the Anti-Dart Program. Without such a program — whose purpose (as I understand it) is not to foster disobedience of the law, rather to further safe crossing when made by our children in the middle of a block — we leave our children unprotected and unserved.

I urge you to reconsider and reverse your stand as printed in the March 9 issue of The Police Shield. Thank you.

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The Truth About Hollow Points

By Sgt. Fred Freer
Toledo Police Depart.

In reference to a recent report in The Blade on the coroner's ruling regarding the Toledo police being involved in a fatal shooting, there was a statement about the hollow-point bullet "shattering" upon impact, and causing fatal wounds, whereas the solid lead bullet did not. Let me state a few facts and perhaps the "myths" surrounding the hollow-point bullet can be dispelled once and for all.

I am a firearms instructor licensed by the state of Ohio, and I am continually amazed, even after 30 years' experience in law enforcement, at the off-hand way every layman considers himself an expert on the subject of ballistics.

Allow me to call your attention to an article in the December, 1974, issue of the FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin. The article, written by five persons, including two medical doctors, for the Southwestern Institute of Forensic Sciences of Dallas, reviews results of tests conducted on the stopping

power of various types of cartridges used in police work. In every case, the hollow-point bullet was found to have more stopping power than any other type of bullet.

The article states, "Fears about the terrible wounds caused by hollow-point bullets are complete nonsense. Pistol bullets, even the new high-velocity projectiles. At an autopsy, one cannot specifically tell by the extent of the injury if an individual has been shot by a .38 Special 158-grain round-nose lead bullet traveling at 789 feet per second or a 110-grain Norma Hollow-Point at 1,334 feet per second."

May I also add that the bullet issued to the Toledo police division is a copper-jacketed, hollow-point lead bullet designed for controlled expansion to prevent it from shattering.

Official reports by persons who have no technical knowledge on the subject and in effect do not know what they are talking about tend to misinform the public and create fears and apprehensions that are totally unwarranted. Therefore, those who issue reports should seek technical advice before making such indiscriminate statements.

REACT

As Frank Dieball, present Coordinator of Lucas - Wood County REACT so amply said, "We are a team, working to assist others. We do not ask for money in return for our services, but a smile, a thank you or a handshake from a stranger, who is a stranger no longer. What more of a reward can a person ask for?"

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Members and non-members alike, who have two-way radios are encouraged to call the police via their base stations, when they see anything of a suspicious nature. They are NOT encouraged to become involved in any way that might endanger their safety and are asked that they keep the police posted as to the progress of the event until they arrive.

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ging and robbing, who indicated that they felt a great sense of power when they had a gun in their hands and could shoot someone. If they had the chance, they would do it again. I defy any corrections personnel to indicate how they would correct this individual while he is still wandering the streets with the attitude that he will, if given the chance, commit another such crime.

Until the members of the legislature, the judiciary, and corrections take firm positive steps to stop this useless killing, we will continue to have memorial services where we must eulogize police officers who have fallen in the line of duty.

In order for the citizens of this country to regain any faith in the criminal justice system, the judges at all levels must make every effort to instill in their decisions a sense of fairness, which takes into account the innocent victims of crime. Then, and only then, will every American citizen feel that he does have a stake in the justice system, and they will then be willing to become involved in and aid the prevention and suppression of criminal activity.

There is little doubt that many citizens feel abandoned once they have been victimized. It seems that at the point an arrest is made, all of the machinery is put into motion to protect the suspect, and the victim is relegated to the role of standing on the sidelines, wondering if he is not the "bad guy" for reporting the crime. This is ludicrous, and until the courts adopt a philosophy which is in balance with both the suspect and victim, we are going to see hardened criminals continue to laugh up their sleeves at what is commonly referred to as our "criminal justice system."

Society cannot expect police officers to continue to lay down their lives, when society itself does not seem to be too concerned, other than giving verbal platitudes about how they want strict law and order, yet do not take the action necessary to accomplish that end.

Chief McGrath

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will find many ways in which to either purchase, steal, or manufacture a handgun, if gun controls are passed. Until the criminal is fully aware that the courts will mete out swift and sure, non-probationable sentences, when any handgun has been used in the commission of a crime, we will see no difference in the spiraling homicide rate in this country.

We realize that saying, "Any criminal who has used a gun in the commission of his crime, should be thrown in jail" is not a progressive statement by new correctional standards. However, the fact still remains that as long as this individual is behind bars, he is not about to come and prey upon society once again.

Another interesting fact is that during the recent years, as we wanted to "rehabilitate" the recidivist, the prison populations decreased and the crime rate went up! Rehabilitation can be effective in many cases for the first offender. When he repeats though, he has indicated his choice. He apparently figures crime is more profitable. In our present state of affairs, he's right! Why work in society when you can rob or kill, and although you may be caught, you ultimately get away with it.

Election time is coming around once again, and again we will probably hear how the potential candidates are for law and order, strict laws, and law enforcement. However, we have heard this for years and years . . . and to date, we still have no effective laws or provisions whereby an individual who uses a gun in the perpetration of a crime can be "guaranteed" incarceration, not probation or parole.

A recent documentary on television showed individuals behind bars now, who had been mug-

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Toledo Metro Narcotics Unit Needs \$50,000 To Operate

By Patrolman Ron Scanlon

The Toledo Metropolitan Narcotics Unit is in financial trouble, lacking some \$50,000 needed to be used as "buy" money. The T.M.N.U. must continue to operate if any dent at all is to be made in drug trafficking in this area. Without this unit, crime would increase ten-fold.

Sgt. Fred Freer recently pointed out on a local television station that intelligence reports indicated that at least \$1,000,000 worth of narcotics goes through the Toledo area every week. There has been a

half dozen deaths from overdoses already in 1975.

The unit has a fantastic track record. It uncovered two clandestine drug laboratories capable of making thousands of dollars worth of drugs each day. On Friday, May 9, the Metro Unit raided a home at 2814 Piddock in West Toledo and confiscated \$250,000 in illicit drugs. Several ounces of high grade heroin was seized. On Saturday, May 10, \$73,000 worth of drugs were seized at 6535 Airport Highway, Holland. These raids were only dents in the enormous drug activity in the Toledo metropolitan area.

There appears to be some reluctance from area police agencies to contribute their fair share of revenue to keep the unit functioning at a productive level. It seems that some

area administrators are more concerned with keeping their own little kingdom under their sole leadership and feel threatened by the metropolitan concept of enforcement.

As a result of petty jealousies the metro unit is in grave financial trouble. The unit must have \$50,000 for "buy money". This money is used to make narcotic buys in order to obtain convictions with necessary court evidence.

One wonders what cry would come from these area administrators if one of their own children took an overdose of drugs, or was arrested by the police for possessing drugs, or if any member of their family was the victim of a drug related crime. The leaches who sell this "junk" must be caught and put away.

Everyone has a moral obligation to see that this unit continues its fight against the dope peddlers so our streets will be safe once again, and children will not be enticed to buy narcotics.

Gabriel Interview

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A. I would first like to say that most of the officers of the City of Toledo are a real credit to the force and most, when they issue citations or make an arrest, do it on a good legal basis and most are good witnesses in court. Any big organization has a few who deviate from the norm and in this case it is apparent when they testify. You can spot these officers from the bench and I feel it is incumbent on them to get all the training they can so they can do a proper job.

Q. If you could implement one improvement in our criminal justice system, what would that be?

A. Right now my feeling is that particularly under the new rules of superintendence with a specific case being assigned to a judge and he follows it through, that we could best utilize our prosecutors if each one was assigned to a judge on a permanent basis. That way some rapport could be established between a particular prosecutor and a judge and that way a better working relationship could be established. This would benefit us because the prosecutor would be more conversant with the way I operate and know my feelings in advance as far as any plea bargaining goes.

Juvenile State Meet

By Sgt. Rose Reder

On April 10, 11, and 12 the 16th annual OPJOA conference was held in Dayton, Ohio at the Imperial House North Motor Hotel. Attending from the Toledo Police Department was Det. John Schafer, Police-woman Barbara Juelke and myself. John was accompanied by his lovely wife Elsie. Barbara and I took a friend, Kathy Burkart, a teacher from Springfield Junior High. (She was unofficially deputized for the weekend.)

Officers from many departments across the State of Ohio were in attendance. We heard six speakers talk on different topics concerning juveniles and related problems.

The conference was well planned and we had a great deal of fun, also. It is interesting to meet new officers, see old friends from past conferences and discuss related mutual problems.

On Friday night we attended a Hawaiian party and socialized in the lounge.

The Ohio Police Juvenile Officers Association is a relatively small organization at the present. We are looking forward to enrolling new members and becoming strong enough in numbers to effectively bring about some changes in juvenile laws and procedures that will ultimately make our jobs as law enforcement officers easier. We welcome new members, not only from the ranks of the Toledo Police Department, but any department in the surrounding area in Ohio.

Anyone wishing to obtain information about the organization, or interested in becoming a member please contact me.

Education Committee

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they can get their basic courses), juniors and sophomores.

The records office does not change appointment times for students, but the individual college deans have this option. If a class you want is closed, you can petition the department giving the class for permission to take the course.

If you want a class for fall, that has not been formally scheduled, just add an extra four hours, or whatever time is required, on your L.E.E.P. application without a course description or number. We have been advised by the financial aid office not to add "dummy" courses because when these courses are dropped, that class will be bare.

We will have more information for you in the next edition of The Police Shield.

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