

Patrolmen Quinn and Haas are now detailed as detectives by order of Director Mooney in recognition of good work in connection with enforcing police regulations in the downtown district.

DRIVE GIRL FROM CITY

Addie Johnson, 24, was given until Thursday night to leave town by city detectives, Wednesday. The girl was arrested in J. W. McCormick's garden, Superior st., by Detectives Quinn and Haas. According to the police, a married man neglected his family for the girl.

FIND HOTEL BARS OPENS; WARN PROPRIETORS

The bar at the Boody house was found open and doing business at 12:30 Wednesday morning by Detectives Quinn and Haas. Fourteen customers were ordered out. The proprietor received his warning from the police department Wednesday.

The bar at the Wayne was found open ten minutes after midnight. There were no customers in. The employes were cleaning up. The proprietor escaped with a warning.

SEEK GAMBLERS IN A BASEMENT ROOM

An alleged gambling room in the basement at 335 St. Clair st. was raided by Detectives Quinn and Haas and Capt. Smith, Thursday night. A gaming table was confiscated. No arrests were made.

The detectives also visited the pool room of E. Smith, 1724 Canton st. They found 156 pennies and a pair of dice on a table.

In police court Friday morning Smith pleaded guilty as charged and was fined \$10

'HOCKENBERGER' TO BE DECORATED WITH COP AGAIN

The notorious saloon on St. Clair st., near Adams, known as the Hockenberger, will again be under direct supervision of a policeman stationed at the door with instructions to pick up suspicious persons.

Detectives Quinn and Haas found the basement, formerly used as a drinking room, again open and several persons present, about 9:30 Thursday evening. The tables and chairs were removed at the time the place was under police surveillance before. Quinn and Haas report that the place is again furnished with chairs and tables.

Kennedy, one of the proprietors, is reported by the detectives as presenting the entrance of the police, declaring the basement was his personal quarters and that he was entertaining friends. He insisted that the detectives should not trudge without giving notice.

The police department expressed intention of keeping a close watch on the place.

WANTS FOUR MORE COPS

Four additional detectives are desired by Director Mooney. He wishes to continue Detectives Quinn and Haas, on their work. Council committee will consider the request a week from Wednesday evening.

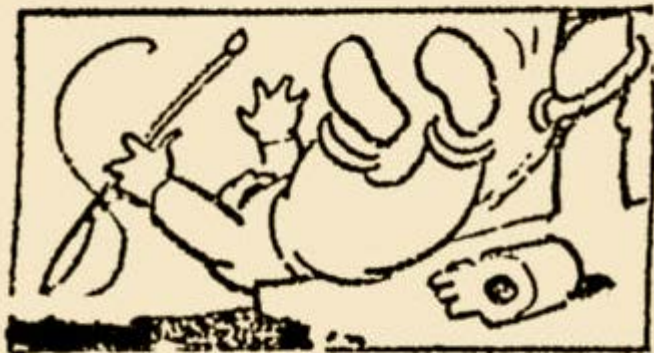
POLICE SNAP LID ON LATE WALKERS

Gladys Gibson, Elizabeth Hight, Isabell Smart and Idell Eaton were arrested by Detectives Quinn and Hans Wednesday night on a charge of loitering. These women are said by the police to be in the habit of frequenting the Palm garden on Superior st. The women were fined \$25 and costs each in police court Thursday morning.

Miss Hight told the police of the alleged illegal actions of the proprietress of a Huron st. apartment house.

This woman was called to the police station Thursday morning. She promised to discontinue the harboring of immoral women.

—Detective Captain Louis Haas was sitting on the deck and his luck was good. He had landed a few perch and two sunfish. Then he



pulled in a bulinead. And when he tried to get the fish off the hook Mr. Fish got busy with his defensive fin. The illustration tells the rest of the story. Of course, this happened last summer, but Louie is telling it now.

HAAS INSPECTOR

"Must Deliver Goods," Says Light

Louis Haas, captain of detectives, was named acting inspector of detectives by Safety Director Light on Monday. Light named Detective Willard Rydman as temporary captain, succeeding Haas.

"Those appointments are only probationary," Light said after a conference with Acting Chief Jennings on Monday. "It is up to these men to deliver the goods, and keep delivering the goods if they want to hold the positions permanently."

Haas has been on the police department since 1902. Rydman was appointed a patrolman in 1908. Detective Haas and Detective Steve Quinn were the first two men on the police department to be detailed to vice work years ago by Mayor Brand Whitlock.

Haas succeeds Detective James O'Reilly, who has held the office since the retirement of Inspector William Leutz in January. O'Reilly, it is said, asked that he be allowed to return to his post of county detective as soon as possible.

WAS AN EARLY BIRD AND WANTED TO HELP

When Richard Haven, 37, arrived at the police station bright and early Monday morning to give bail for Clara Meyers, arrested Sunday night during the police activities toward subduing late walkers, he found that the woman's bail was fixed at \$25. Also that he was one of the men that the police wanted for living at the woman's house at 548 Ontario st.

Haven was gently informed that he was under arrest and that his bail was fixed at \$100.

Detectives Quinn and Haas made seven arrests of women and their companions who were found on the streets Sunday night. In police court Monday all such cases were continued.



LONG AGO

WHAT A difference in styles, as well as personnel, a quarter of a century makes. Members of the Toledo detective bureau posed for this picture June 10, 1922. The cap for formal wear by well-dressed sleuth was on its way out, while the old bowler of the teen decade had disappeared. Left to right, in the top row, are Joseph Fruchey, now head of the bureau; Roy Havens, retired; Michael Rowan, Ernest Raitz, Joseph Swiatecki, Capt. William Carroll (deceased), William Julert (deceased), Fred Langhoff, Bernard Cummings, retired; James Ford, retired; John Mullen, Michael Daly (deceased). Center row, Capt. Fred Buck, retired; John Hodges (deceased), Edward Harris (deceased), William Culver (deceased), Dan Gavin (deceased), John Connors, retired; Stanley Kina, retired; Frank DeLora, Garnet Stevenson, Edward Eaton (deceased); Dick Martin (deceased); Capt. Ralph Van Vorce, retired. Seated,

John Henahan (deceased), William Herman (deceased), Capt. James O'Reilly, retired; Irving Brown (deceased), Albert Hassenzahl (deceased), John Hovey (deceased), Louis Kruse, retired; Stephen Quinn (deceased), Frank Peters (deceased), Charles Mavis, retired; Inspector William Delehanty, later chief of police (deceased); Bert Dobzeniecki (deceased), and Fred Palicki (deceased). Such bureau stalwarts as Capts. Mose McCloskey, Emmet Cairl, Edward Rock (deceased); Capts. Willard Rydman, retired, and George Timiney, now Lucas County sheriff; Inspector Louis Hass, former chief of police, and Arthur Langendorf were not available on that day long ago when this picture was snapped in front of the old police headquarters on Superior St. Only 9 of the 44 men then comprising the bureau are still active in Toledo police work.

ACTING CHIEF OF POLICE



"I hope to be able to fulfill my new position as I did my other positions in the police department in the last 25 years."

Thus Louis Haas, former inspector of detectives, took his new desk as acting police chief Tuesday morning. Chief Haas said he did not know who would be appointed to fill the vacant position of inspector of detectives.

PROHIBITION IS CALLED FAILURE BY CHIEF HAAS

Favors Opening of Liquor Stores Under Control of State or Nation

The recent statement of Police Chief Jacob Graul of Cleveland that prohibition was a failure was supported Saturday by Police Chief Louis Haas of Toledo, who declared that "crime and drunkenness have increased since the advent of prohibition."

Federal Judge John M. Killits earlier had branded Graul's advocacy of return of the open saloons as "the craziest idea since prohibition."

Graul, in deploring the failure of prohibition, said he believed return of the saloon, with certain restrictions, would solve the problem.

Chief Haas' views, incited by the Graul statement, was drawn from a background of more than 20 years' experience with crime and criminals.

FAVORS LIQUOR STORES.

Chief Haas, however, does not agree with Graul that the saloon must come back. He does favor licensed liquor stores where liquor might be obtained by permit.

"Such a system would be satisfactory under either state or government control," Haas said. "But I am strongly opposed to the old-time saloon.

"It is a fact that there has been more crime since prohibition. Before prohibition robbery was infrequent and the only major crime was an occasional safe robbery. But youthful banditry is a new thing.

"The increase in crime and in the number of criminals can be traced indirectly to the high price of bootleg whisky. Most yeggs are drinking men and much of their money goes for drink."

The recalling of the 18th amendment and the licensing of liquor dealers would call for more stringent laws on driving while intoxicated and on drunkenness, Chief Haas said. There would be, he believes, a decrease in drunken driving.

ARRESTS INCREASE.

"Before prohibition one never heard of a high school student drinking liquor," Haas said. "Now it is not unusual and it is a common thing for them to be brought into the station drunk.

"The number of persons arrested for drunkenness has increased since prohibition," Haas declared.

The police chief pointed out that the bootlegger problem would not necessarily vanish with the return of licensed sale of liquor.

"Before prohibition most bootleggers were older than today's crop," he said, "and were steady working men. The bootlegger of today is a young man who has never done anything else and would be on our hands if his illicit employment were taken away from him."

HAAS ASKS FOR 100 NEW COPS

Says Present Force Is Too
Small for Needs of City
Toledo's Size

Toledo's police department must have 100 more men if it is to be maintained at metropolitan standards.

That is the high point of a report being studied Thursday by Safety Director A. P. Black with a view to embodying at least a part of the recommendations included in the report in the department's 1930 budget requests, to be submitted to council soon. The report was given Black by Police Chief Louis J. Haas.

The present 50 men of the detective bureau should be augmented by 25 others, the chief believes. He also would create another detective inspectorship and another detective captaincy, and detectives and detail detectives would be titled detective lieutenants and detective sergeants. The additional detective inspector would co-operate with men working on the street.

An addition of 25 or 50 men to the traffic bureau is urged. Many more motorcycle men also are needed, Haas' report said.

Toledo needs more foot patrolmen despite the increasing trend of motorizing police departments, the report says. Chief Haas also would have additional foot patrolmen downtown and in the built-up sections such as West Toledo, Dorr street and Central avenue.

A new precinct station in the North End in the vicinity of Galena street and elimination of the present Lagrange street station is urged.

VICE AND BOOZE SQUADS HEADED BY DETECTIVES

Police Adopt New Policy as
Langendorf and Timiney
Supplant Schultz

PLAN OTHER CHANGES

Haas Makes Move To Increase
Efficiency of Two City
Departments

For the first time in Toledo police annals, detectives were placed Friday in charge of the police vice and liquor squads.

The move was made, Louis Haas, chief of police, said, because of the ever increasing connection between vice and liquor.

Detective George Timiney, former head of the police homicide squad, will be in charge of the liquor squad and Arthur Langendorf will head the vice and gambling squad.

SCHULTZ TRANSFERRED.

The order removes Capt. Schultz as head of both squads and sends him to the East Side police station, where he will resume his former command there.

"Detectives," said Chief Haas, "logically are more familiar with the criminal element of the city than the patrolmen who formerly have headed the vice and liquor squads. And since liquor is becoming daily more closely allied with vice and gambling, we feel the logical move is to place at the head of these squads men who are acquainted with criminals.

"We believe patrolmen in the past have allowed criminals caught in raids to escape, merely because they did not recognize them as police characters sought in connection with other and more serious crimes."

EFFICIENCY MOVE.

Both, Timiney and Langendorf have had experience on the squads as patrolmen, and as detectives have become acquainted with many underworld characters.

The change in personnel did not result from any influx of crime, Chief Haas, said, but merely because he and Safety Director A. D. Black believe the move will increase the efficiency of the department.

The two new squad heads and Chief Haas were in conference Friday to determine other changes in the personnel of the squads.

THACHER DUSTS HAAS; BLAMES CROOK INFLUX

Ousted Leader Is Named
Chief Inspector of
Detectives by
Executive.

William Delehanty, retired inspector of detectives of the Toledo police department, was appointed chief of police Tuesday by Mayor Thacher following a conference with Albert Fall, safety director.

Louis Haas, who has served as chief since Harry Jennings was ousted by the Jackson administration, has been named chief inspector of detectives, a post recently created by council.

In making the announcement of the appointment Mayor Thacher said he was dissatisfied with the way out-of-town criminals have remained in Toledo.

The mayor said he believes that Mr. Delehanty's wide experience as former inspector of detectives will be of great aid in freeing the city of gangsters and other undesirables.

Mr. Delehanty known as "Big Bill" was retired on pension. He is a cousin of Joseph Delehanty, inspector of police.

The removal of Chief Haas follows a series of rumors which started immediately after Mr. Thacher was elected mayor. The name of Harry Jennings was mentioned frequently for the post but this was denied in a formal statement by Mayor Thacher.

Chief Delehanty's appointment is effective immediately.

'BIG BILL' GETS POST AS HAAS IS DEMOTED

Deposed Official Is Named
Inspector of Detectives To
Rank With Cairl

William (Big Bill) Delahanty, former inspector of detectives in the Toledo police department and, since his retirement several years ago, a private detective, Tuesday was named chief of police by Mayor Add Thacher and Safety Director Albert P. Fall.

Inspector Delahanty succeeds Louis Haas, who has been given the berth of inspector of detectives. Chief Haas was demoted, Mayor Thacher said, because he had failed to handle satisfactorily the situation created by an invasion of Toledo by out-of-town gangsters and hoodlums.

In his new berth, Haas will hold equal rank with Inspector Emmett Cairl, now in charge of the detective bureau.

"Inspector Delahanty is going in there to do a very definite job," Mayor Thacher said. "Delahanty knows what I want. If he doesn't produce, I'll have to make another change."

Mayor Thacher and Inspector Delahanty were close friends in the days before the mayor entered politics and Delahanty's appointment as chief did not come as a complete surprise to those close to the mayor.

ECUADOR RIOT KILLS

DAN WOLFE APPOINTED NEW CHIEF OF POLICE

NEW CHIEF OF POLICE

Uniformed Captain Elevated To Head of Department Following Long Series of Conferences With Mayor Add Thacher

SUCCEEDS LOUIS HAAS, EFFECTIVE AT ONCE

Change in Leadership Comes After Inability of Department To Cope With Toledo Gang Warfare Is Demonstrated



Capt. Dan Wolfe.

Capt. Dan Wolfe of the uniformed police was named chief of police to succeed Louis Haas late last night after an extended series of conferences between Mayor Add Thacher and Safety Director Albert Fall.

The appointment, which is effective at once, is the first public announcement of a shakeup that has been impending in the police department since the present setup has shown itself incapable of coping with gang warfare here.

No other changes in the department were announced following the conference. Chief Wolfe, Mayor Thacher and Director Fall will confer Tuesday to decide on what other changes will be made.

All shifts will be subject to approval by Chief Wolfe.

Following last night's conference, Chief Wolfe issued this statement:

"In accepting the position of chief of police of the city of Toledo, I do so without solicitation on my part. I am mindful of the responsibility and feel that I know what is necessary to produce a wholly efficient police department and feel confident I will have the full co-operation of everyone concerned, and as time goes on the results will speak for themselves."

It was rumored that Former Chief Haas would be made an inspector of detectives and that George Timminey, present acting inspector, would be made a full inspector.

Emmett Cairl, present inspector of detectives, would be returned to a detective post under such conditions, it was believed.

The new chief is one of the best-liked members of the police department. He was appointed a patrolman May 1, 1912; He became a sergeant Nov. 28, 1917, and a lieutenant March 4, 1922. He was elevated to a captaincy Dec. 30, 1925.

Capt. Wolfe's activities in the uniformed ranks were confined to the west side of the river until last fall, when he was appointed captain of the East Side police station following a shakeup there.

The shakeup resulted from the disappearance of \$301 from an unlocked safe in the office of the station. Several police officers in the East Side station were reduced in rank as a result of the theft.

CHIEF IS SILENT ON POLICE SHIFT

Shake-Up Expected To Follow Conference With Fall and Thacher

The work of reorganizing the Toledo police department so that it will function more smoothly, especially in ridding the city of gangsters, will get under way today under Daniel T. Wolfe, newly appointed chief of police.

Chief Wolfe, veteran uniformed police captain, who received his promotion from Mayor Add Thacher late Sunday night, was at his new office in the Safety building yesterday familiarizing himself with the routine of his new duties.

The chief was to confer with Mayor Thacher and Safety Director Albert P. Fall today to work out other departmental changes in the interest of efficiency.

Haas Inspector.

Louis Haas, former police chief, who was demoted to an inspectorship in the detective bureau in connection with Chief Wolfe's promotion, assumed his new duties yesterday and indicated his willingness to co-operate with the new chief in every way.

"All changes in the police department will be at the direction of the new chief," Mayor Thacher said.

It is known the mayor wants to have Chief Wolfe fill several vacancies among the ranking officerships of the department.

Reports indicate that Detective Inspector Emmet Cairl may be demoted, either to a detective captaincy or to the rank of a regular detective.

New Chief Silent.

If this should happen, it is likely Inspector Cairl's position will be given to Detective George Timiney either at once or within a month, if Detective Timiney accomplishes certain tasks which the mayor and safety director want delegated to him.

Chief Wolfe refused to comment on reported changes, but he agreed with the mayor that the task of ridding the city of hoodlums and gangsters is most important.

Chief Wolfe has the reputation of being a stern disciplinarian. He is thoroly familiar with the work of the uniformed police service thru his long years of service.

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Louis J. Haas, 532 Jervis Street, a Republican candidate for the nomination for Sheriff, formerly was chief of the Toledo police department. He is a widower, 66 years old, and a resident of the vicinity of his present home for more than 50 years.

Four years ago Mr. Haas was a candidate for Sheriff and at the 1936 general election he polled 53,710 votes, but says that he went down to defeat in the Democratic landslide. Mr. Haas is a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, is a 32nd degree Mason and a member of Zenobia Shrine. He is now retired on pension.

As to why he would like to be elected Mr. Haas says: "The office of sheriff is a law enforcement office. I have devoted my entire life to this work. I feel too young and active to go into complete retirement." Mr. Haas started as a patrolman, became a detective, then captain of detectives, inspector of detectives and police chief.

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Louis J. Haas
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Ex-Police Chief
Detection Expert

Louis J. Haas, 83, who served as Toledo police chief in the 1928-1932 period, died today in the home of his son, Lewis, 2324 Dana St., after an illness of several months.

As chief he sometimes found himself the center of political controversies. Mr. Haas twice was named police chief and twice demoted to detective inspector, depending on which political faction of the Republican party came into power.

Nevertheless, he maintained his reputation as one of the greatest detectors of confidence men and swindlers in the nation, and the squad of Louis Haas and the late Steve Quinn gained national renown.

Born Nov. 6, 1873, the youngest of four sons of one of the pioneer families in the old German settlement in South Toledo, Mr. Haas was appointed a patrolman on the Toledo police force on Nov. 5, 1902. He was advanced to sergeant Jan. 1, 1912, and to detective lieutenant Dec. 28, 1913.

Cowboy Hill Trapped

Mr. Haas was named captain of detectives Aug. 1, 1918, and it was through his knowledge of the underworld that Cowboy Hill, notorious gunman and bank robber and two of his henchmen were trapped in a Franklin Ave. apartment house in September, 1921. In the gun battle that ensued one of the Hill gangsters, Archie Dennison, was shot to death and Hill was wounded.

Mr. Haas was put in charge of the detective bureau as inspector under Chief Harry Jennings on April 16, 1922, and replaced Chief Jennings on Feb. 1, 1928, when Mayor William T. Jackson took office.

He was reduced to detective inspector Feb. 2, 1932, when Addison Q. Thacher became mayor. When William Delehaunty, who had been named chief to succeed him, died, Inspector Haas was once more made head of the police division.

Retired In 1936

Failure to solve the Louise Bell slaying by the Licavoli gang, caused Chief Haas to be reduced to detective inspector Jan. 2, 1933. He immediately instituted a new detective squad system.

He retired from the police department in 1936.

Mr. Haas was a member of Damascus Lodge, F&AM.

Surviving, besides the son, is a daughter, Mrs. Myrtle Lafel, Toledo, 9 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

The body is in the Bersticker Mortuary, Heather Downs Blvd., where the Rev. Herbert Dimke, pastor of Faith Lutheran Church, will conduct services Thursday at 2:30 p.m. Burial will be in Forest Cemetery. Damascus Lodge will hold special rites in the mortuary Wednesday at 8 p.m.

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