

THE SAN FRANCISCO POLICE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION

NOTEBOOK

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Police Review Boards

This is a topic that has been rearing its ugly head for quite some time and continues to be "live" as shown in New York City. When we complained about them eight years ago only a few listened but now the subject seems real.

The Police Commissioner of New York City showed us plenty of courage and showed his own men the kind of backing that makes a man proud to be a policeman. Lt. Gilligan was not thrown to the wolves. Mayor Wagner has also denied their request for a review board which indicates proper backing for the department.

However, the enemies of law enforcement will not stop until they have had their way. San Francisco has what smells like a police review board with subpoena power. As of this time it does not call itself a review board but if we are not careful it won't take much to make it one—then your standing as a policeman will be about as secure as a sore-armed baseball pitcher.

It seems tragic that men who have sworn to uphold the Constitution and the laws passed by freely-elected legislatures should be subjected to this kind of treatment. When there is no one else to blame, it has become popular to blame the police. What these people do not realize is that there is presently machinery for adjudicating grievances against policemen who have acted outside their authority.

Leaders of lawless elements or elements of society who have chosen to prostitute the law to their own ends scream loudest for police review boards—where are the everyday citizens who respect what the law does for a free society? You do not find them in the ranks of the police review board screamers, but, neither do you find that they know anything about the danger. It is up to the police themselves to keep their friends up to date and well-informed about the hazards of civilian boards which have the power to harass the police.

The same people who cry for such boards are the ones who are so free with the term "police brutality." The
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Assistance For Promotionals

City College of San Francisco has received many requests to extend its evening division training in Criminology. This Fall, on an experimental basis, the college will offer a course which has only been available to day students in the past.

This course will be in Police Organization and Administration which will be of interest to those who are going to take promotional exams because the text for the course is "Municipal Police Administration." This book is popularly known as the "green book" and has been very important in all past promotional exams. It is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday evenings from 6:30 to 9:30.

The instructor will be Tim Foley, a former member of the San Francisco Police Department, who went to Livermore and became the Assistant Chief. Foley holds a Master's Degree in Criminology from the University of California and is a well-qualified man to teach the course. Classes will begin on September 15th.

Those interested should write for registration information to:

Dr. Louis Batmale
City College of San Francisco
50 Phelan Avenue,
San Francisco

The good thing about this opportunity is the chance to study the "green book" with some kind of system and have tests on your progress. In the last Sergeants' examination there were over 35 questions from this very book. Don't pass up a good thing.

NEXT MEETING

TUESDAY
AUGUST 18, 1964
8:00 P.M.
2225 - 48th Avenue

ATHLETIC PROGRAM

A new group athletic program has been offered to us by Father Alfred Boeddeker. He is presently completing repainting and refurbishing the YMI Building, 50 Oak St. To supplement the use of this building, City Employees, active and retired, are invited to use the many athletic facilities at low cost. Separate locker rooms, showers and lounge for women. Children accompanied by parents are welcome. This program is non-sectarian.

You have to see this beautiful building to appreciate the modern improvements made there. You are invited to look through the building and use the facilities before our group program commences on Sept. 1, 1964. This program will become effective if we can obtain at least 500 members. If our first years experience is successful we may set up many useful programs and social events for our mutual benefit.

Facilities include a 25' x 70' swimming pool, three handball courts, two large gymnasiums for basketball, volleyball, tennis, callisthenics, weight-lifting, boxing and wrestling. A public coffee-shop is located in the building.

Persons interested in this program are asked to send \$36.00 check or money-order for one year's dues per member, spouse or dependant over 18 years of age. Please include name, address, home and business phones of each member. Depending on the response to this program, we may have the dues collected by payroll deduction after the first year of operation. Signups for membership will be made twice the first year; then only once after that to maintain the low cost group plan.

Please make your checks payable to "International Center." Mail checks and required personal identification to John Burke (Police), 50 Oak St., S.F., 94102.

For further information phone John Burke, SE 1-8914 or Mr. Frank Kelly, UN 3-7677 (Mgr. YMI Building).

REMEMBER YOUR
BLOOD BANK

Highlights of regular meeting of S.F. Police Officers' Association. Held Tuesday, July 21, 1964, at 2225 - 48th Avenue.

The meeting was called to order by 1st Vice President Marelli at 8:15 p.m., and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of Officers: Pres. Allen, (E); 1st V.P. Marelli, (P); 2nd V.P. Clark (P); Treas. Barbero (P); Sec. Gardner (E); Sgt. at Arms Bell (P); Members of Executive Board: Hq. Co. Kennedy (E); Traffic, Oliveira (P); Patrol, Bagot (P); Retired, Quigley (E); Executive Sec. White (E).

Minutes of the June meeting accepted as printed in **The Notebook**.

Motion by G. Coreris, Seconded by E. Clark, carried.

Treasurer's Report: Report rendered and accepted. Membership is now 1705. The Treasurer reported three members neglected or refused to pay their dues for a period of 6 months to 1 year. The President declared them suspended from all benefits of the Association. Motion, E. Clark, Seconded, H. Eliaser, the bills be paid, Carried.

Executive Board: 2nd V. P. Clark reported there was no meeting due to lack of a quorum.

Committee Reports:

Retirement—By John Collins, no report as Ted Dolan is away at N.C.P.A. Convention in Los Angeles.

Blood Bank—Chairman Vogelsang at N.C.P.A. Convention.

P.A.L.—No report.

Building Committee—No report.

Public Recognition Award Committee—Next awards to be made this fall.

Sick Committee—Report by 2nd V.P. Clark that during the previous month 14 of our members were in Ward 45, with only 3 there at this time.

Communications:

The communications were read, and a motion by M. Oliveira, seconded by D. Willet and Carried, that they be filed or referred to the proper committees for action.

Unfinished Business:

A report by Brother W. Bigarini that the Association decals will be ready for distribution soon.

A report by Brother P. Zelis that a meeting between the United Crusade, Police Welfare Fund and our Association was held, and that the United Crusade will investigate our complaints and reply as to their findings. There was a discussion of the pros and cons of this situation. The President referred the matter to our Welfare Committee

awaiting a reply from the United Crusade.

New Business:

(Matters that were to be taken up before the Executive Board.)

1. Motion by E. Clark, Seconded by R. McKee, Carried, the President appoint five members and five alternates to the Municipal Improvement League.

2. Motion by E. Clark, Seconded by M. Oliveira and Carried, the Secretary write to all Stations, Bureaus & Details, calling for elections of station representatives to the Association for the coming year, and authorizing the refund of dues to station representatives for the past year.

3. Motion by E. Clark, Seconded by R. McKee, the Chief of Police be requested to seek a Captain's and Lieutenant's examination as soon as possible as there is no Captain's list at present and the Lieutenant's list is almost exhausted. Carried.

4. Motion by J. Collins, Seconded by D. Taylor and Carried, a letter be sent to the Board of Supervisors that the Association favors the proposal to increase the annual salary of supervisors and offering the services of speakers from this Association to them. Copy to Municipal Improvement League.

5. Discussion of new Health Plan to replace Plan 4 (Harris Plan) which is now out. Suggested that the plan of Zeimer Associates be checked. The President appointed W. Bigarini, Chairman, E. Clark and J. Bagot as a committee to investigate possible health plans.

6. Discussion of Police Review Boards, and how the new Human Rights Commission might affect policemen. No copy of the new ordinance is available at present.

7. Motion by W. Bigarini, Seconded by P. Zelis and Carried, a letter be sent to the New York Police Association or Societies expressing the stand of our Association opposing Police Review Boards and commending them on their stand. Also requesting we be placed on their mailing list for their publication "Spring 3100."

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. in respect to the memory of Brother Richard Reed, and retired members Thomas Cole and Robert Wren.

Respectfully submitted;
HARRY E. BEARE
Acting Secretary

SHIFT ASSIGNMENTS

Our delegates to the recent meeting of the National Conference of Police Associations in Los Angeles made a survey about what shift the various cities work. We are still the only department that works the 4/12 one week and the 12/8 the next on a repeating basis.

Most departments work longer on a shift or have a seniority sign-up, or work all three watches. In the seniority sign-up system a man could sign for the watch he wished to work on the basis of his seniority in the department. In spite of two referendum elections among the members of the Association in the past few years there has been no change in San Francisco. At one time the men voted for the seniority sign-up and at a second election they voted to work longer on a given shift. This latter system would have no effect on the day watches, only on the night watches in the district stations.

Detroit works a month on all watches (rotating) as do Minneapolis, Los Angeles and New Orleans. San Diego goes three months on a watch on a rotating basis. Duluth, Trenton, St. Paul, New York City and Washington, D.C. work a week on each watch on a rotating basis. These are just some of the cities that reported but they serve as a sufficient sampling to show that our method of changing shifts is a strange one.

It might be an interesting project for the future to find out whether it matters what the men in patrol think about their working hours and to see if anything could be done about it.

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S.F. News-Call Bulletin had an excellent editorial on that subject on Saturday, July 25th. That editorial asked those same people to cease and desist and called attention to the fact that enforcing the law is not brutality nor a personal issue with policemen.

We know that we are right. In San Francisco, policemen are well aware of the ramifications of untoward conduct and use every possible step to avoid it. We are not free with clubs or guns and many policemen have been injured or killed because of this philosophy.

We are not brutal and we certainly do not need any police review as a forum for our enemies to use against us.

VITAL STATISTICS

Deceased: Richard A. Reed, 7/17.

Retired: James McGovern, 7/23.

Promoted: Charles Thollander to Sgt. on July 31st.

PHYSICAL EVIDENCE

Crime Laboratory, San Francisco
Police Department

Part II

(Continued from June issue)

FINGERPRINTS: Latent fingerprints and palmprints, among the most valuable identification factors, are easily destroyed or obliterated. Handle nothing at the scene unless it is absolutely necessary until the possibility of latent prints has been considered. Door knobs, door j a m b s, doors, windows, telephones, weapons and objects found out of place at the scene are likely places for useful prints. The less handling there is, the better! The use of handkerchiefs wipes off more prints than it preserves. The only answer is **NOT TO HANDLE**. If objects must be moved, handle them by the edges and never place in pockets, cloth wrappings, etc. Rigid containers are much better and if these are used, objects bearing prints should be secured so that they do not rattle around and rub off prints.

WEAPONS: Suspects must sometimes be disarmed and weapons must be moved out of reach but handle the weapons as little as possible. Knives, clubs, guns, etc., may bear latent prints and other materials of importance. Blood, hair and tissue, as well as fibers from clothing may be on the weapons and not securely held. Another factor is contamination and weapons should not be wrapped with other objects from the scene or brought in contact with anything connected with the victim or the scene. Firearms must be unloaded or checked for loaded condition but can be carefully held by the checked areas of the stocks or slides without destroying the latent prints on the smooth areas. Automatic clips and individual cartridges may bear latent prints and therefore must not be handled. The condition of the weapon should be observed and position of the loaded, fired round, and empty chambers should be noted and marked before unloading. The position of the cylinder should be noted. Do not wipe off the powder, smoke and flare about the muzzle or the front of the cylinder. Never place any object (particularly a pencil) in the barrel of the weapon in order to handle it. This may preserve the latent prints but will obliterate evidence as the whether or not the weapon has been recently fired. Cartridge cases

at the scene should be noted and photographed in position before collecting, as must be fired bullets. Fired bullets should be handled quite carefully so that identifying marks on the bullets may not be rubbed off. These objects should be marked with an identifying symbol, initial or star number (do not use an X as they all look alike), but do not mark the sides of the bullet where the barrel markings are present. Mark on the base of the bullet and inside the fired cartridge case.

TOOLS AND TOOL MARKS: When tools are used in burglaries and safe breakings, distinctive marks are often left which may be identified with a particular tool. Objects bearing tool marks should be carefully preserved for processing by the evidence technicians and should be carefully isolated from any suspected tools. Never place a suspected tool into the tool mark to try to establish similarity. Even if the tool mark is not changed by placing the tool into the mark, the evidentiary value of the tool mark is eliminated when the case goes to court. Simple measurements with a pocket rule may indicate the possibility of a match. Final identification must be made by microscopic examination. Preserve suspected tools so that they are not damaged, particularly on the working surfaces or edges. They should be wrapped separately so that they do not strike against each other. Many types of tool marks can be cast at the scene and complete doors and door jams need not be removed from the premises. Crime Laboratory technicians can handle this type of examination.

CLOTHING: Clothing of victims of crimes of violence and clothing of suspects from numerous types of crimes is important evidence and may carry materials which will assist in identification. Clothing of the victims should be disturbed as little as possible until collected. In homicide cases, clothing is usually obtained from the Coroner's Office; however, it should be photographed before being disturbed at the scene. If collected at the scene, garments should be wrapped with each garment being separate so that the stains and material from one garment will not transfer to another. This is also true of garments taken from suspects, whether at the scene, the district station or when the suspect is being booked at the City Prison. **WRAP EACH GARMENT SEPARATELY!** Position of bullet or knife hole should

be noted. Position of blood or other stains should be carefully noted so that the original position of the stain can be determined. Loose material on the garments may fall off if they are roughly handled. Handle carefully so that this loose material may be retained in the wrapper with the garment. Clothing from suspects should be collected as soon as possible to prevent contamination with objects away from the scene, or alteration of the garments by the suspect. If the clothing is wet when collected, make a note for the Crime Laboratory so that the garments may be dried promptly. Do not walk the suspect through the crime scene if broken glass, blood, etc. may be present in his shoes from a previous visit during the commission of the crime.

STAINS: Stains may appear on the floor, solid objects, clothing and so on. They are always of importance and should be disturbed as little as possible before they are collected by the evidence technicians.

TRACE EVIDENCE: Trace evidence, such as dust, hair, fibers, soil, glass fragments, paint chips and so forth, may be present at any crime scene and the scene should be disturbed as little as possible pending examination. Collection of this type of material generally requires some special techniques and is best done by evidence technicians.

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S. F. POLICE CREDIT UNION

NOTEBOOK

TREASURER'S CORNER

Dividends were paid and credited to accounts on July 3rd. A total for the first six months of \$71,144.55 was paid to the members. Checks for those having requested their dividends be sent were in the mail on July 4th, and by now should have reached those members. It is my hope that the second half will continue in the same successful manner.

Statements should have reached you by the time you read this paper. As I stated in the last issue the delay was due to our annual audit. The examiners are seeking a 100% verification of your share and loan accounts. Please co-operate by returning the self addressed envelope you receive along with the verification.

If any of you have not received or have not returned your payroll cards please either request a new one or mail in the one you are holding.

If you are having any problems making your loan payments, give us a call. If we get nothing from you but the silent treatment, we really aren't in a position to work out an answer for your problem. You'll find that we are always willing to bend over backwards to help out the guy who is willing to work with us.

To those of you who helped us by taking part in the test reading of the credit union publication "Everybody's Money," we are pleased to announce that the response was very favorable and that every credit union family will shortly be receiving the four quarterly issues. If it is still popular after a year's test, we will keep it coming.

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Friend In Need, Partner In Progress

The Credit Union National Association, better known as CUNA, has chosen as their slogan for International Credit Union Day, to be held this year on October 15th, the phrase "Friend in Need, Partner in Progress."

To many of our members, the credit union is still the place to go when you need money in a hurry. That's fine—one of our basic purposes is to help out our membership in times of trouble. That takes care of the first portion of the slogan a "Friend in Need."

However—we feel that just as important a function of the credit union is that of a "Partner in Progress." While we will always offer service to resolve emergencies, please remember our long term services. To the man who wants his children to have a college education, we offer either long term education loans or even better, a safe, insured, high interest means of saving—plus the convenience of payroll deduction. To the young man in the business buying his first home, we offer low interest long term assistance. To the father interested in teaching thrift to his children, we offer family accounts—with insurance on the savings at no-cost-to-the-member. Education, home, thrift—these are just a few of the ways we work with you as your "Partner in Progress."

Night Course in Police Administration WHERE?

City College of San Francisco

Starting with the Fall Semester (September) a course in Police Administration will be given in the evening at the City College of San Francisco. It will be a three-unit course meeting only one night a week for two hours and forty minutes, 7 P.M. - 9:40 P.M. Which night of the week it will be given has not been announced as yet. The only cost involved will be that of the text book, "Municipal Police Administration," (the green book registration for the semester starts on September 8, 1964). For further registration information you may call JU 7-7272.

Pay All those Bills Get a Fresh Start

There is a big difference between adding on debts that are within our ability to repay, and adding debts that are more than our ability to repay. Unfortunately, some times we can't see this difference and keep getting into bigger trouble all the time.

How To Get Out Of Debt

You can get out of debt with a low-cost consolidation loan from your Credit Union . . . IF you are willing to keep from adding to that debt beyond your ability to repay. REMEMBER: Unless you pay your creditors in full, consolidation won't solve your problems. You will only be adding one more creditor.

How To Stay Out Of Debt

You can STAY out of debt only by keeping your credit obligations within your ability to repay. The best way is to bring every money problem to your Credit Union. REMEMBER: When you need credit, it costs less at the Credit Union. There are no extra charges . . . not even for Loan protection Insurance.

Vacation Loans

Vacations can be important to the well being of any family. Certainly they are a welcome pause in the day in and day out work routine. When considering how you are going to pay for your vacation, think of your credit union.

Police employees and their families have the complete lending facilities of their credit union available to finance their vacations. This means that your special trip can be paid for with a credit union loan. Or that boat and trailer that you have your eye on . . . plus the complete set of camping equipment. Come in and talk to one of your friends on the credit union staff.

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For Period Ending July 31, 1964
Charter No. 1247

FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL REPORT

ASSETS

Total Loans—2125	\$3,555,191.74
CUNA Holding Loans	3,251.26
Cash, Total	126,279.97
Petty Cash	10.00
Change Fund	750.00
Savings & Loan Shares	50,000.00
Time Deposits, Bank	20,000.00
Investments in other CUs	5.24
Furn. Fix. & Equip.	16,288.52
Prepaid Insurance	1,177.37
Other Assets	1,367.50
Maint. Policies	349.05
Notebook Receivables	141.12
League Dues	1,041.70
Pre-paid League Dues	3,780.00
Postage Meter	25.70
Accts. Receivable	71.50

Total Assets \$3,779,730.67

LIABILITIES

Accts. Payable	1,001.21
Notes Payable	80,000.00
Dept. of Motor Vehicles	121.00
CUNA Holding	3,043.85
Shares	3,429,696.19
Xmas Club	34,572.00
Regular Reserve	136,195.66
Fees	59.25
Undivided Earnings	78,995.67
Gain or Loss	16,045.84

Total Liabilities \$3,779,730.67

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CREDIT UNION WELCOMES RECRUIT CLASS—WITH WELCOME CASH



Shown above is Education Committee Chairman Elliott Blackstone presenting recruit Greg Cloney with a credit union loan check—to help with the costs of uniforms and equipment. In the background are some of the large group of recruits who had signed up for the credit union and became eligible for credit union loans immediately following their swearing in. Over 80% of this current class have already taken advantage of the benefits offered by the credit union. Young or old, just starting or long service, the credit union has something in the line of a special service that can help you. If you are in that very small group within the department who has not yet gotten around to joining the credit union, why not let us tell you which of our many services can be of help to you.