

A N N U A L R E P O R T

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COMPARATIVE TABLE OF ARRESTS

	1922	1923	Increase	Decrease
Adandoning Family	280	298	18	
Adultery	77	87	10	
Assault and Battery	620	574		46
Assault With Intent To Do Great Bodily Harm	30	50	20	
Assault With Intent To Kill	16	14		2
Assault and Robbery	15	10		5
Burglary	116	136	20	
Carrying Concealed Weapons	57	56		1
Common Drunkard	55	129	74	
Contributing To Delinquency Of Child	24	28	4	
Disorderly Conduct	1247	1379	132	
Drunkenness	913	1645	732	
Drunk and Disorderly	1485	2015	530	
Embezzlement	65	78	13	
False Pretense	77	97	20	
Forgery & Fraudulent Issue Of Bank Check	177	202	25	
Fugitive	208	254	46	
Homicide	12	17	5	
Inmate of Disorderly House	596	570		26
Inmate of Gaming House	344	636	292	
Keeping Disorderly House	168	144		24
Keeping Gaming House	42	97	55	
Larceny As Bailee	54	51		3
Larceny From Person	22	36	14	
Larceny, Grand	275	269		6
Larceny, Petit	123	124	1	
Lewd and Lascivious Behaivor	134	128		6
Operating Automobile While Intoxicated	158	261	103	
Rape	28	67	39	
Receiving Stolen Property	29	27		2
Reckless Driving	312	454	142	
Taking Automobile Without Owners Consent	32	26		6
Trespassing On Railroad Property	42	34		8
Vagrancy	420	517	97	
Violating Automobile Speed Ordinance	1343	1494	151	
Violating Health Ordinance	33	53	20	
Violating Motorcycle Speed Ordinance	75	75		
Violating Rules of the Road Ordinance	4249	7266	3017	
All Other Cases	2938	2608		330
T o t a l	16899	22026	5592	465
Net Increase			5127	
Number of Females Arrested	1304	1408	104	

Classification of Arrests.
State Cases.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	MALE	FEM	TOT
Abandoning family	26	19	23	20	26	21	18	26	33	25	33	28	295	3	298
Accessory after the fact							1						1		1
Accessory before the fact	1				1								2		2
Accepting duel												1	1		1
Adultery	7	5	8	10	7	3	6	7	11	7	7	11	55	32	87
Advising to commit a felony										1			1		1
Aiding and advising marriage of an epileptic					1									1	1
Aiming and discharging firearm							1						1		1
Arson							1						1		1
Assault and battery	44	22	44	37	39	64	59	72		2		3	343	45	388
Assault and robbery	2		3	2				3					9	1	10
Assault with intent to do great bodily Harm	4		3	6	5	5	5	3	5	2	5	7	49	1	50
Assault with intent to kill	2	2	1		2		1	1	1	2	2		13	1	14
Assault with intent to rape	2			3	1	2	6					3	17		17

Classification of Arrests
State Cases - Continued

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	MALE	FEM	TOTAL
Assault with intent to rob			2				2	1	2	3	5	4	19		19
Assault regardless of life	1												1		1
Bigamy							1		1				2		2
Bribery			1	2					1				4		4
Burglary	13	16	9	5	2	9	9	8	8	10	25	22	136		136
Burglary - attempt				1		1	1						3		3
Carrying burglar tools				1									1		1
Challenge to duel												1	1		1
Common drunkard	4	7	4	7	8	9	11	10	13	22	20	14	122	7	129
Confidence game	1			3					3			1	7	1	8
Conspiracy					1			1			9		11		11
Contributing to delinquency of															
Minor	3	5		5	4	2	3	3		1	1	1	20	8	28
Criminal slander					1			1					2		2
Cruelty to animals			1	1			1	1					4		4
Defacing automobile motor number											2		2		2
Defaulting witness						2					1		1	2	3

Classification of Arrests.
State Cases - Continued.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	MALE	FEM	TOTAL
Disposing of mortgaged property	3	2	1	3	3	2		7					21		21
Embezzlement	8	7	8	5	4	8	5	6	8	6	2	10	76	1	77
Embezzlement and larceny as Bailee	1												1		1
Extortion			1					1					2		2
Extortion - attempt										1			1		1
Failing to stop after causing Injury	2	2	1	1		2		4		1		1	13	1	14
False pretense	9	5	7	9	5	4	12	9	10	8	14	5	93	4	97
False swearing				1								1	1	1	2
Felony - attempt					1		1	2				1	3		5
Forgery	11	9	10	4	5	5	1	3	3	12	9	8	74	6	80
Fornication		2	1		9	3	3	1	7		4	9	21	18	39
Fraudulent issue of bank check	8	6	11	14	10	9	13	15	9	12	7	8	120	2	122
Having burglar tools in posses- sion		1						1		1			3		3
Incest										2			1	1	2
Indecent assault		3											3		3
Indecent exposure	5		3	9	4	5	2	6	5	3	9	4	54	1	55
Indecent liberties with minor	1	1	2	1	3	4	2	2	3	4	3	1	27		27

Classification of Arrests.
State Cases - Continued.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	MALE	FEM	TOTAL
Impersonating an officer								1	2				3		3
Jumping board bill		1	1	2		2	2	1	1	1		1	12		12
Keeping rooms for immoral purposes				2									1	1	2
Kidnaping							1			1	1		2	1	3
Larceny, as bailee	3		5	5	3	3	3	10	6	3	6	4	47	4	51
Larceny by trick		2					1			3	2	3	10	1	11
Larceny from person	1	2	2	2	4	2	3	2	8	3	4	3	30	6	36
Larceny, grand	21	10	30	18	7	23	21	20	36	33	29	16	240	29	269
Larceny, petit	14	3	11	5	13	10	12	8	11	10	15	12	102	22	124
Larceny, attempt								2	1	2			5		5
Lewd and lascivious behavior	9	14	2	8	14	11	15	10	10	12	7	16	75	53	128
Manslaughter	1			2	1	1			1	2	1		7	2	9
Murder						1	1	2	2		2		5	3	8
Obscene literature in possession					1								1		1
Narcotic addict											1			1	1
Operating automobile while Intoxicated	7		15	20	25	17	18	26	50	30	23	30	260	1	261
Operating automobile without Owner's Consent		9			2		15						26		26

Classification of Arrests.
State Cases - Continued.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	MALE	FEM	TOTAL
Sodomy		2	3	1		3	4	3	5	1	2	3	25	2	27
State witness											3	2	2	3	5
Taking automobile without owner's Consent	1		10	5		6		4	9	1	1	4	41		41
Taking motorcycle without owner's Consent		4											4		4
Threatening to accuse of crime										1			1		1
Threatening to kill	4	1	1		2	1	2	3	2	2	4	5	27		27
Trespassing on railroad property	2			1	13	2		9	5			2	34		34
Using taxi for immoral purposes	2												1	1	2
Uttering	1	1											1	1	2
Vagrancy	44	29	36	35	24	29	40	86	43	39	61	51	444	73	517
Violating automobile number law	5	4	7	18	10	6	8	15	6		7	11	97		97
Violating automobile license law										5			5		5
Violating banking law		1		2									3		3
Violating blue sky law				14			7	1	2				24		24
Violating cigarette law						1							1		1
Violating fish and game law				1									1		1

Classification of arrests.
State Cases - Continued.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	MALE	FEM	TOTAL
Violating gambling law				1									1		1
Violating Health law	13	9	7	15	12	5	2	3	9	18	15	14	111	11	122
Violating junk law				1	1								2		2
Violating motorcycle number law					1	3						1	5		5
Violating medical law											1	3	3	1	4
Violating motor wheel number law								1					1		1
Violating lottery law									1	3			4		4
Violating milk law			1	2	3	1		3	3		2		14	1	15
Violating peddler license law	1			3	1	2							7		7
Violating premium law					1								1		1
Violating pure food law	3	2	1	2	3	2			1		1	3	17	2	19
Violating quarantine law	3	6	12		5						1		14	13	27
Violating real estate law											1		1		1
Violating school law	2	2		2	5	2			6	6	11	8	30	14	44
Violating second hand license law				1									1		1
Violating second hand store law								1					1		1
Violating Severson law	124	147	159	129	96	25	23	36	109	87	95	90	931	189	1120
Wilful destruction of property	3	4	2	5	12	3	3	3	1	5	2	2	40	5	45

CLASSIFICATION OF ARRESTS
City Cases

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	MALE	FEM.	TOTAL
Animals running at large						1							1		1
Assault and battery									52	47	47	42	178	10	188
Carrying concealed weapons	8		2	2	8	2	8	4	1	5	5	11	56		56
Disorderly Conduct	85	76	76	72	141	124	149	174	187	119	148	120	1298	171	1469
Displaying fireworks						1	5						6		6
Disregarding police orders at depot									1		1		2		2
Distributing handbills						1			1				2		2
Driving over fire hose	1			2		1							4		4
Driving through funeral procession						1							1		1
Driving over sidewalk				1									1		1
Drunkennes	86	90	106	136	115	139	148	144	185	164	169	163	1605	40	1645
Drunk and disorderly	123	109	145	175	188	132	173	181	207	187	228	167	1903	112	2015
Fortune telling			2									1	1	2	3
Injuring shade tree						1							1		1
Impersonating an officer						2					1		3		3
Inmate of disorderly house	57	50	38	42	19	25	10	30	44	93	79	83	453	117	570
Inmate of gambling house	34	29	7	41	34	27	60	32	21	134	103	114	630	6	636
Inmate of house of ill fame				4	17		3	7	4			9	32	12	44
Interfering with officer		1	1	1	6	5	4	2	3	1	2	5	29	2	31
Keeping disorderly house	9	14	10	10	5	11	7	12	13	24	11	18	65	79	144
Keeping gambling device				4		1				3	10	3	20	1	21
Keeping gambling house	5	6	2	6	4	2	8	4	3	13	13	31	97		97
Keeping house of ill fame				5	7	1	6	4	2			2	15	12	27
Keeping vicious dog						1		1					2		2
Leaving horse unhitched		1								1			2		2
Maddling with fire alarm			1	3									4		4
Obscene pictures in possession							1						1		1
Obstructing highway			1	1		3		1		3	2		11		11
Obstructing sidewalk		1											1		1
Reckless driving	25	24	14	27	41	36	46	47	49	43	57	55	462	2	464
Resisting officer	1									3	1	1	6		6
Selling cigarettes to minors				1									1		1
Shooting in city limits	4	1			1	2	1		2		1	1	13		13
Soliciting taxi trade		3		5									8		8
Throwing nails in street						1							1		1
Throwing rubbish in street									1				1		1
Using taxi for immoral purposes												1	1		1

City Cases (Continued)

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	MALE	FEM.	TOTAL
Violating auto for hire ordinance				1				1					2		2
Violating auto horn ordinance				1							2	1	4		4
Violating automobile speed ordinance	84	112	58	142	158	129	116	170	88	130	194	113	1487	7	1494
Violating auto truck speed ordinance					2	8		4					14		14
Violating barrier ordinance	1						1		2		1		5		5
Violating bill board ordinance		1											1		1
Violating boulevard ordinance		1	3	6	4	6	15	4		6	2	1	48		48
Violating bridge ordinance					1						1	3	5		5
Violating building ordinance								1	6	6	2		13	2	15
Violating chauffeur license ordinance						2	1	4					7		7
Violating driver's license ordinance				1						2		4	7		7
Violating firearm ordinance						1							1		1
Violating gambling ordinance	2	2	2	2	1	1						3	11	2	13
Violating headlight ordinance							1						1		1
Violating health ordinance	3	8	9	3	3	4	1	3	2	5	7	5	49	4	53
Violating heat ordinance			1										1		1
Violating jitney license ordinance												2	2		2
Violating liquor ordinance								1					1		1
Violating liquor license ordinance									6				5	1	6
Violating mashing ordinance	2	1	1	2	4	8	4	2	7	1	9	4	44	1	45
Violating milk ordinance			12					1	17				29	1	30
Violating motorcycle speed ordinance	1	3	2	6	11	8	11	11	4	5	7	6	75		75
Violating muffler ordinance				2	3	4	4	6	2	11	8	1	41		41
Violating non-intoxicating liquor license ordinance							4	5	1	3	1		4		4
Violating park ordinance													10		10
Violating peddlers permit ordinance							2				1		3		3
Violating rules of the road ordinance	489	256	298	622	639	837	762	628	498	801	809	617	7023	233	7256
Violating smoke ordinance							2				2		4		4

CLASSIFICATION OF ARRESTS
City Cases (Continued)

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
Violating Spitting Ordinance					1					17	6		24		24
Violating Weight and Measure Ordinance	1		16	2			7	1	4	2	2		35		35
T o t a l s	1019	789	807	1328	1413	1527	1561	1485	1413	1829	1932	1587	15873	817	16690

CLASSIFICATION OF ARRESTS
Miscellaneous Cases

Fugitive from Justice	21	9	20	17	14	21	29	27	15	26	26	29	239	15	254
Larceny of U S Mail												1	1		1
Larceny of U S Mail Box				1									1		1
Robbing U S Mail Box		1											1		1
Tempering With U S Mail			1										1		1
Violating Dwyer Act												1	1		1
Violating Immigration Law		1											1		1
Violating Narcotic Law			1										1		1
T o t a l s	21	11	22	18	14	21	29	27	15	26	26	31	246	15	261

RECAPITULATION

State Cases	428	372	452	460	409	327	373	462	463	406	480	443	4499	576	5075
City Cases	1019	798	807	1328	1413	1527	1561	1485	1413	1829	1932	1587	15873	817	16690
Miscellaneous Cases	21	11	22	18	14	21	29	27	15	26	26	31	246	15	261
Grand Total	1468	1172	1281	1806	1836	1875	1965	1974	1891	2261	2438	2061	20618	1408	22026

RECAPITULATION

		Per Cent
United States	16,541	75.10
Austria-Hungary (including Bohemia)	1,273	5.78
Germany	959	4.32
Poland	765	3.47
Russia	762	3.46
Greece	392	1.78
Italy	345	1.60
Ireland	118	.54
Canada	96	.44
Slavonia	95	.43
Norway	89	.40
England	77	.35
Sweden	73	.33
Serbia	57	.26
Switzerland	56	.25
All other countries	328	1.49
Total	<u>22,026</u>	

AGE OF PERSONS ARRESTED

Under 17 years	74
Between 17 and 21 years	2,037
" 21 " 30 "	7,927
" 30 " 40 "	6,612
" 40 " 50 "	3,539
" 50 " 60 "	1,347
" 60 " 70 "	421
" 70 " 80 "	59
" 80 " 90 "	10
Total	<u>22,026</u>

SOCIAL CONDITIONS

Married	10,844
Single	11,182
Total	<u>22,026</u>

R A C E

Caucasian	21,255
African	724
Copper	17
Yellow	30
Total	<u>22,026</u>

NATIVITY OF PERSONS ARRESTED

Albania	18
Armenia	16
Austria-Hungary	1236
Belgium	7
Bohemia	37
Brazil	1
Bulgaria	8
Canada	96
China	31
Croatia	12
Denmark	38
England	77
Finland	9
France	10
Germany	959
Greece	392
Holland	13
India	2
Ireland	118
Italy	345
Japan	1
Lithuania	21
Macedonia	1
Mexico	27
Norway	89
Palestine	1
Persia	1
Poland	765
Portugal	1
Roumania	26
Russia	762
Scotland	30
Serbia	56
Slavonia	95
Spain	11
Sweden	73
Switzerland	57
Syria	8
Turkey	26
United States	16541
Wales	4
West Indies	5

Total	22,026
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DISPOSITION OF CASES

Committed to County Hospital	12
Committed to the Home of Feeble Minded	17
Committed to Muirdale Sanitarium	3
Committed to the Milwaukee Sanitarium	1
Committed to Northern Hospital for Insane	3
Died in Station	1
Discharged by Court	1052
Discharged by Chief of Police	81
Discharged by Jury	51
Discharged for Want of Prosecution	119
* Fined	17576
Found Guilty and Sentence Suspended	685
Merged	2
Nolled by District Attorney	52
On Probation	280
Permanent Stay	11
Placed Under Bonds to Keep Peace	1
Pending	796
Released by Hospital Attendant	3
Returned to Industrial School for Boys	3
Returned to Industrial School for Girls	3
Returned to House of Correction	2
Returned to Mendota Asylum	1
Sentenced to County Jail	29
" House of Correction	514
" Industrial School for Boys	2
" Industrial School for Girls	1
" Poor Farm	3
" Reformatory	59
" State Prison	28
" Taycheeda School for Girls	6
Settled on Payment of Costs	396
Turned Over to Authorities of Other Places	227
Turned Over to United States Authorities	6
Total	
	22,026

* Of this number, 953 failed to pay their fines and were committed to the House of Correction.

CHANGES IN THE FORCE
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	December 31st, 1922	Appointed	Retired on Pension	Dismissed	Resigned	Died	Promoted	Reduced to Patrolmen	December 31st, 1923
Chief	1								1
Inspector	1								1
Captain Of Detectives	1								1
Lieutenants	7	2	1						8
Sergt. Of Detectives		2							2
Detectives	54	1					2	1	52
Sergeants	39	6	2				2		41
Desk Sergeants	15								15
Patrolmen	597	70	16	16	18	2	7		608
Police Women	2				2				
Supt. Of Identification	1								1
Surgeon	1	4				1			4
Secretary	1								1
Asst. Secretaries	2								2
Senior Clerk Stenog.	2	2			1				3
Clerk	1						1		
Chief Operator	1								1
Operators	9								9
Matron	1								1
Janitors	7								7
Total	743	87	19	16	21	3	12	1	758

DISTRIBUTION OF FORCE
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	Total	First District Central	Second District (south side)	Third District (west side)	Fourth District (Bay View)	Fifth District (North side)	Sixth District (Traffic Division)
Chief	1	1					
Inspector	1	1					
Captain Of Detectives	1	1					
Lieutenants	8	4	1	1	1	1	
Detective Sergeants	2	2					
Detectives	52	30	5	8	5	4	
Sergeants	41	12	6	7	6	6	4
Desk Sergeants	15	3	2	3	3	3	1
Patrolmen, Day Duty	122	29	18	29	23	23	
Patrolman, Night Duty	334	109	43	62	53	67	
Patrolmen, Wagon Service	38	10	10	6	6	6	
Patrolmen, Chauffeur	3	3					
Patrolmen, Post Duty	4	4					
Patrolmen, Traffic Duty	63						63
Patrolmen, Special Duty	16	9	1	1	1		4
Patrolmen, Motorcycle Duty	28						28
Supt. Of Identification	1	1					
Secretary	1	1					
Assistant Secretaries	2	2					
Senior Clerk Stenographers	3	3					
Surgeons	4	1	1	1	1		
Chief Operator	1	1					
Operators	9	9					
Matron	1	1					
Janitors	7	3	1	1	1	1	
Total	758	240	88	119	100	111	110

EXAMINATION FOR PATROLMEN

Held by the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners

	January 13, 1923	April 14th, 1923	August 25th, 1923	October 13th, 1923	November 30th, 1923
Number of applicants	54	47	49	55	105
Failed	40	28	23	34	68
Passed	14	19	26	21	37
Rejected by Medical Examiner		2	1	4	
Rejected by Board of Fire & Police Commissioners			1		
Declined appointment			1	1	
Pending			1	1	37
Appointed	14	17	22	15	

COMPLAINTS AGAINST OFFICERS

**For Violating the Rules and Regulations
and the Action Taken by the Chief of Police
Upon Trial**

Charge	Number	Rank	Disposition
DRINKING INTOXICATING LIQUOR			
	1	Patrolman	Reprimanded
	5	"	Fined 5 days' pay
	2	"	Fined 10 days' pay
	1	"	Fined 15 days' pay
	1	"	Fined 20 days' pay
DRINKING INTOXICATING LIQUOR AND DISRESPECT TO SUPERIOR OFFICER			
	1	Patrolman	Fined 15 days' pay
DRINKING INTOXICATING LIQUOR AND NEGLECT OF DUTY			
	1	Patrolman	Fined 2 days' pay
	1	"	Fined 5 days' pay
NEGLECT OF DUTY			
	2	Patrolman	Reprimanded
	4	"	Fined 1 day's pay
	3	"	Fined 5 days' pay
	5	"	Fined 10 days' pay
	4	"	Fined 3 days' pay
	1	"	Fined 20 days' pay
	1	"	Dismissed
CONDUCT UNBECOMING AN OFFICER AND DETRIMENTAL TO THE SERVICE			
	2	Sergeants	Reprimanded
	1	Detective	Fined 5 days' pay
	1	Patrolman	Fined 2 days' pay
	1	"	Fined 3 days' pay
	4	"	Fined 5 days' pay
	1	"	Fined 10 days' pay
	1	"	Fined 15 days' pay
	1	"	Fined 20 days' pay
	1	"	Resigned Pending Charges
	6	"	Dismissed
CONDUCT UNBECOMING AN OFFICER AND INTOXICATION			
	1	Detective	Reduced to Patrolman
	1	Patrolman	Fined 31 days' pay
	1	Patrolman	Fined 10 days' pay
	1	Patrolman	Fined 5 days' pay
	2	Patrolmen	Dismissed

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CONDUCT UNBECOMING AN OFFICER AND INCOMPETENCY		
2	Detectives	Dismissed
CONDUCT UNBECOMING AN OFFICER AND NEGLECT OF DUTY		
1	Patrolman	Dismissed
CONDUCT UNBECOMING AN OFFICER AND DISRESPECT TO SUPERIOR OFFICER		
1	Detective	Fined 3 days' pay
1	Patrolman	Fined 3 days' pay
FAILING TO OBEY ORDERS OF SUPERIOR		
1	Patrolman	Dismissed
INTOXICATION AND NEGLECT OF DUTY		
1	Patrolman	Dismissed
INTOXICATION AND UNTRUTHFULNESS		
1	Patrolman	Dismissed
INTOXICATION		
1	Patrolman	Dismissed
MISREPRESENTING FACTS IN APPLICATION		
2	Patrolmen	Dismissed

RECAPITULATION

Dismissed from force	19
Fined	42
Reduced	1
Reprimanded	5
Resigned pending charges	<u>1</u>
Total	68

Number of trials previous year 43

Increase 25

Of 19 dismissed, 5 appealed to the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners. In 3 cases the Board ordered reinstatement and in 2 the charges were sustained.

REPORT OF PROPERTY STOLEN AND RECOVERED

	Stolen	Recovered
January	46,811	23,303
February	46,446	20,684
March	43,304	32,477
April	46,519	38,361
May	61,608	40,098
June	75,025	48,227
July	61,134	35,634
August	65,664	37,467
September	105,327	72,412
October	99,256	86,297
November	97,318	72,539
December	113,828	86,398
T o t a l . . .	\$862,240	\$593,897

801 Automobiles Stolen, valued at	\$522,325
686 Automobiles Recovered " "	\$460,709

1922

MISCELLANEOUS POLICE SERVICES RENDERED

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Lost children re- stored to parents	7	4	12	48	87	84	35	53	51	53	26	23	493
Defective sidewalks and streets reported to Dept of Public Works			2	184	2	143	3	2	3		4	3	346
Official notices served	788	716	1029	1089	9973	4478	1366	1049	1188	1486	1200	958	25320
Official letters delivered	9253	6186	7533	7882	20979	11250	6166	4876	5006	6210	6528	13448	105317
Dead animals reported	1	4				2	2	5	2		2	3	21
Lodgers accom- modated	71	107	114	130	79	58	64	61	43	80	148	151	1106
Persons rescued from drowning					1								1
Drowned bodies recovered						3				2			5

Amount of delinquent personal tax for 1922 turned over to Police Dept for collection \$235,454.82
 Amount collected 146,262.94

PATROLWAGON SERVICE 1923

	Wagon #1	Wagon #2	Wagon #3	Wagon #4	Wagon #5	Total
Number of calls from patrol boxes	1657	750	897	646	473	4423
Number of calls by telephone	1474	501	985	540	603	4103
Number of calls (verbal)	673	359	547	413	361	2352
Total number of calls responded to	3804	1609	2429	1599	1437	10878

PERSONS CONVEYED

Prisoners conveyed to stations after arrest	3406	1337	1991	1224	877	8835
Prisoners transferred from precincts to Headquar- ters	--	258	337	188	97	880
Prisoners transferred to court	88	680	964	901	598	3231
Prisoners transferred, miscellaneous	736	105	178	59	149	1227
Injured and sick persons conveyed	483	137	384	200	305	1509
Total number of persons conveyed	4713	2517	3854	2572	2026	15682

OTHER SERVICES

Disturbances suppressed without arrests	34	32	107	28	63	246
Services not required	49	27	88	63	58	285
Fire alarms responded to	16	5	13	2	4	40
False alarms from patrol boxes	1	1	1	--	--	3
False alarms from private 'phones	4	--	2	--	--	6
Miscellaneous and incidental calls	394	100	158	88	130	870
Total other services	498	165	369	181	237	1450

AMBULANCE SERVICE 1923

	Ambulance No 1	Ambulance No 2	Total
Number of calls responded to	1509	921	2430
<u>Persons Conveyed</u>			
Taken to Emergency Hospital	1033	619	1652
Taken to other hospitals	138	100	238
Taken to their homes	71	59	130
Transferred from Emergency Hospital to other hospitals	44	6	50
Transferred from Emergency Hospital to their homes	65	67	132
Miscellaneous and incidental	35	26	61
Total number of persons conveyed	1386	877	2263
Services not required	176	100	276

SERVICES RENDERED BY OPERATORS 1923

Hourly reports received from day patrolmen	504289
Hourly reports received from night patrolmen	816245
Reports received from sergeants	52399
Reports received from detectives	110345
Dead animals reported	818
Electric street lamps reported out	13178
Electric street lamps reported re-lit	27
Other telephone communications (estimated)	950000
Total	2447301

SUMMARY OF ACCIDENTS BY MONTHS

<u>Month</u>	<u>1923</u>	<u>1922</u>	<u>Percent Increase 1923</u>
January	262	194	35
February	239	177	35
March	302	171	76
April	435	229	90
May	537	268	100
June	548	288	90
July	540	289	87
August	604	326	85
September	576	406	43
October	728	455	60
November	735	408	80
December	<u>736</u>	<u>372</u>	<u>98</u>
Total	6241	3583	74

GENERAL:

During the year of 1923 there were 6,241 traffic accidents of all kinds reported to the Traffic Bureau of the Milwaukee Police Department. This figure does not represent, of course, all traffic accidents which occur in Milwaukee, perhaps it is considerably less than one-half of the total. But we may assume with reasonable certainty that the majority of serious accidents have been reported and in any event a careful analysis of the reported figures has given us a reliable picture of the accident situation at the present time. We know that it is a real problem and a serious one and that with the ever increasing motor vehicle registration, traffic accidents are not increasing in direct proportion to the automobiles and trucks on the streets but at a much faster rate. We have found that the great majority of accidents in the city cannot be attributed to deliberate violations of law by drivers but are due to somebody's carelessness and also that the number which might fairly be classed as unavoidable is so small that it need not be considered as a factor in dealing with the possibilities of accident prevention.

ACCIDENTS INCREASED 74% DURING 1923.

It has been previously stated that accidents increased out of all proportions to the gain in registered motor vehicles during 1923. The fact that there were 6,241 reported accidents this year compared with 3,583 in 1922, a gain of 74% or practically three-quarters more, is sufficient evidence of this. The accompanying chart shows this even more forcibly. Except for seasonable declines in the winter months which are natural, there has been a steady increase in accidents since November 1921 when the first reports were secured by the Traffic Bureau. The number in November and December of this year has been almost exactly three times the number in the same two months of 1922. The high figures of the last two months of this year, 735 in each month, were undoubtedly due in a measure to unusually fine weather, yet they should not have been greater than in the summer or early fall months which is the season for pleasure riding.

COLLISIONS AT INTERSECTIONS ARE GREATEST IN NUMBER.

Of the total amounting to 6,241 traffic accidents in 1923, 2041 or nearly one-third were so-called intersection collisions. The average each month of this type of accident was 170 compared with 96 per month in 1922, an increase of 77%.

There are practically only three conditions under which accidents of this kind occur. The first and most prevalent happens when two vehicles approach at right angle and both cross the street continuing in their original direction of travel. 1,392 of these kind occurred or 68% of all intersection collisions. There is scarcely any real excuse for these accidents. They indicate that one or the other driver does not have control over his vehicle upon approaching an intersection and almost invariably one or both vehicles are moving too rapidly. At reasonable rates of speed a car in good operating condition could be

stopped in plenty time to avoid a collision. Slippery streets may cause skidding and precipitate an accident but these mishaps have not been included here. Probably those which have not been due directly to faster than safe driving were caused principally by brakes in poor condition.

The second type of intersection collision occurs when one or both vehicles are making a left turn at the intersection. Of this kind there were 601 or 29%. Perhaps these figures are not inexcusable as some uncertainty and confusion attaches to making a turn especially at crowded crossings. One may observe every day, cases where a driver needing to make a left turn cannot break into a moving line of traffic and is meanwhile holding up a long line attempting to proceed in the opposite direction.

Of the third type or right turns there are naturally very few. Only 48 or 3% were reported. It is hard to understand why there should be even as many as this.

REAR END COLLISIONS.

This type of accident is commented on separately because it is peculiar in some respects and ranks second to intersection collisions in importance when considering accidents not involving pedestrians. It is peculiar because it is a direct result in many cases of measures designed to prevent accidents. Most of them happen on congested streets, where traffic is controlled. When the direction of traffic is changed a machine at the intersection is stopped suddenly and one or several vehicles back of it cannot be brought to a stand still quickly enough to avoid striking the car ahead. Whether the forward or rear car is responsible is debatable and does not matter much. The solution lies in careful driving on everybody's part as it undoubtedly can not be controlled mechanically.

There were 496 of these rear end collisions, about 8% of the total of all accidents. Fortunately they are not usually serious and resulted in only 48 injuries or roughly one for every ten accidents.

ACCIDENTS DUE TO SERIOUS VIOLATION OF LAW

During 1923 reckless driving, intoxication, speeding, driving on the wrong side of street, failure to stop at highway and driving and parking without lights all combined resulted in 604 accidents, less than 10% of the total. Such accidents are relatively more serious than intersection or rear end collisions, however, since the 604 resulted in 297 injuries; practically at the rate of one person hurt in every two accidents.

PEDESTRIANS AND CHILDREN

Accidents so far commented on have been entirely chargeable to vehicle drivers. When those involving pedestrians and children on the streets are considered the responsibility is divided and rest less heavily on the vehicle owners than on the persons who are the victims

In all there were 1,460 accidents of this kind of which 785 were due to the pedestrians carelessness or to children playing in the street. This is slightly more than one-half. Reckless driving in its various forms was responsible for 78, skidding for 19, hitching for 14, and various other causes for 51. The others were due to causes undetermined meaning that from the nature of the accident the blame could not be directly assigned to either party. Many persons are struck while crossing streets or struck by automobiles turning corners. Others are not sufficiently alert to avoid being struck although not exactly careless. These compose the class of accidents where definite causes have not been fixed. As to carelessness, one of the following reasons will almost invariably be found in the reports of the accidents; Jay walking either crossing the street diagonally or in the middle of the block, running for a street car, crossing street behind a street car, crossing through moving traffic at congested intersections or talking to somebody else and paying no attention to the road.

Some children are struck while playing football, baseball or some other game in the middle of the street but this is not the cause in the majority of cases. More are injured by running out into the street from the sidewalk. Most of the reports read "Child darted into the street between two parked vehicles". A map recently compiled shows that these accidents to children are by far more numerous in certain districts than in others. They occur in the lower third ward, in the area around 8th and Walnut Streets and south of Mitchell Street on the south side. It is granted that there are more children per square mile in these districts but the number of accidents is still out of proportion. The lesser number in other districts indicates that much can be done in the way of training children.

STREET CARS AND TRAINS

Trains as a factor in accidents in the city are almost negligible. There were only 19 of all kinds reported as having involved trains in any way, of which more than one-half were cases of adult pedestrians being struck. Only one child was struck by a train in 1923.

Street cars naturally figure in many more accidents. Accidents with street cars and other vehicles and persons during 1923 numbered 315 or an average of 68 per month compared with 46 per month the year before. The increase has been 48% compared with an average gain of 74 % for all types of accidents. Reported figures show only 10 children struck by street cars and 56 adults pedestrians. The remaining 749 are accidents in common with other vehicles practically entirely automobiles and trucks. Of these 244 were intersection collisions. Automobiles have an advantage over street cars in elimination of these accidents since they are more easily controlled and their direction of travel can be changed. There were 32 mishaps caused by driving on the wrong side of the street. Such an accident really amounts to a head on collision and the blame must be entirely laid to motor vehicle drivers.

The cause often lies in the fact that drivers in trying to pass other vehicles move over to the center of the road and onto the tracks

of an approaching car. This may easily happen on narrow streets like North Avenue. Motor vehicles turning to the left at intersections often cut in ahead of street cars starting out at the same time. There were 97 cases like this. There were 20 cases where motor vehicles ran into street cars making turns to the right, both starting out at the same time. These could be avoided if drivers before starting would make sure that the street car was not going to turn. Of vehicles driving on the car tracks 94 were struck in the rear end and 28 motor vehicles ran into the rear of street cars. Trying to drive between a moving street car and a parked vehicle is a favorite sport for some drivers and 24 came to grief in this way, while 19 were struck by the rear end of a turning car because they stopped too close to the tracks. There were 15 struck in attempting to pass another vehicle and 23 in turning around in the middle of the block. While driving out of a parking space 32 were struck by a passing street car and 25 got into trouble by skidding. These figures illustrate the common type of accidents.

OTHER TYPES OF ACCIDENTS

There are few miscellaneous types of accidents not previously discussed which merit some attention. One is skidding. There were 158 skidding accidents reported including the 25 mentioned in connection with street cars. They need no comment other than to say that they can be avoided only by the utmost care in driving when pavements are wet or icy. Mechanical troubles were responsible for 77 accidents, one-half of which were attributed to brake failures. Most of these brakes were probably in poor condition to start with and did not just happen to fail at the critical moment. Glaring headlights were not responsible for many accidents only 11 having been reported.

Parked vehicles at the side of the street seem to be a target for some drivers. One accident in every twenty is of this nature. There were 294 of them in 1923 and while they are usually not so serious they nevertheless caused 29 personal injuries. Many of these occurred in broad daylight and in the cases where such an accident happened at night, the parked car was properly lighted. While driving out of parking spaces 94 drivers were struck by other automobiles and 67 were hit while turning around in the middle of the block. This does not include street car accidents. There were also 85 collisions while one car passing another. All these types of accidents are practically impossible to control by traffic signal systems or other mechanical systems and can only be avoided by care on the part of drivers.

INJURIES AND FATAL ACCIDENTS:

In the foregoing paragraphs I have tried to review briefly the most important cause of traffic accidents. In the last analysis the seriousness of these accidents is measured by the number of injuries and deaths for which they are responsible. Property damage is a considerable item. Using injuries and fatalities as a measure then, we find that in 1923 there were 2,655 persons injured in the 6,241 accidents, not quite one person in every two accidents. Of fatalities there were 72 or somewhat over one per one hundred accidents.

In the face of the very large increase in accidents amounting to 74% for the past year over the year before there is, however, some encouragement in a similar comparison of deaths and injuries. Deaths from traffic accidents totaled 54 in 1922 and last year increased to 72, or expressed a percentage gain of 33%. Injuries increased from 2,109 to 2,655 again of only 26%. Thus the growth of injuries and deaths has at least not been nearly as great as the gain in accidents.

CONCLUSIONS:

Responsibility for accidents can not be charged entirely to vehicle drivers nor can it all be laid at the doors of pedestrians on the streets or children in the streets. Drivers, pedestrians, children and parents of children must be taught to know the dangers and to realize what the common cause of accidents are. Traffic regulating devices are extremely valuable especially in congested districts and their extention will prevent many accidents but they cannot economically be placed at every street intersection and they cannot prevent certain types of accidents. More than half of them will have to be eliminated by more care on the part of the public.

Enforcement of traffic regulations during the year was handled by 65 Traffic Policemen on corner duty and 29 motorcycle Policemen. Arrests of Traffic violations increased approximately 29% over the year of 1922.

The work of the shop and painting of white lines was done by two men. The percentage of increase over the preceeding year cannot be given on account of not having a record available.

CLASSIFICATION OF ALL ACCIDENTS
BY NATURE AND CAUSE

	Moving Vehicles	Street Car and Trains	Pedestrians & Children	Stationary Object	Misc.	TOTAL	% of Total	No. Injured	Injuries per 1000 Accidents
Driving While Intoxicated	106	10	7	22	4	149	2.4	63	423
Reckless Driving	136	11	37	29	3	216	3.5	132	611
Speeding	23	1	4	1	-	29	.5	16	552
Driving on Wrong Side of Street	97	32	1			130	2.1	62	477
Turning to Left of Intersection	10		3			13	.2	1	77
Turning without giving signal	15	1				16	.3	2	125
Glaring Headlights	2	-	7	2	-	11	.2	7	636
Skidding	79	25	19	34	1	158	2.5	39	247
Brakes Failed	19	7	4	5	-	35	.6	7	200
Other Mechanical Trouble with Vehicle	15	8	1	13	5	42	.7	14	333
Disregarding Traffic Signals (Vehicle)	15	2	2			19	.3	3	158
Violating Arterial Highway Stop Law	47	3				50	.8	13	260
Passing Street Car Discharging Passengers	1	1	25			27	.4	27	1000
Passing Street Car on Wrong Side	4		2	1		7	.1	2	285
Passing Vehicles on Bridge			1			1	-	1	1000
Parking without Lights	15					15	.2	3	200
No Flag on Extended Load			1			1	-		
Intersection Collision of Two Vehicles	1793	248				2041	32.7	580	285
Street Car Turned in Front of Motor Vehicle		21				21	.3	1	48
Motor Vehicle Turned on Front of Street Car	1	97				98	1.6	24	245
Street Car Hit rear of Motor Vehicle		95				95	1.5	30	315
Motor Vehicle Hit Rear of Street Car		28				28	.4	5	178
Children Playing in Street			213			213	3.4	214	1000
Disregarding Traffic Signals (Pedestrian)			12			12	.2	11	915
Pedestrians Otherwise Careless			560		4	564	9.0	537	953
Failure to Blow Horn			1			1		1	1000
Minors Driving Motor Vehicles	1					1			
Cause Undetermined	61	21	480	101	57	720	11.5	579	803
Hitching on Vehicle			14		3	17	.3	17	1000

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CLASSIFICATION OF ALL ACCIDENTS
BY NATURE AND CAUSE

	Moving Vehicles	Street Cars and Trains	Pedestrians & Children	Stationery Object	Misc.	Total	Percent of Total	No. of Injuries	Injuries per 1000 Accidents
Rear End Collision	490	6				496	7.9	48	97
Passing Another Vehicle	85	15	1	1	1	103	1.7	17	165
Turning in Middle of Block	67	23				90	1.4	10	111
Vehicle Pulling Out of Parking Space	94	32	1	1		128	2.1	10	78
Driving Without Lights	11		4			15	.2	8	533
Moving Vehicle Struck Parked Vehicle	287	6		1		294	4.7	29	98
Lost Control of Vehicle	16	4	4	40	2	66	1.1	27	408
Inexperienced Driver	14	4	1	6	1	26	.4	5	192
Crowded by Other Vehicle	14	3		3		20	.3	6	300
To Avoid Collision	41	10	15	96	25	187	3.0	67	358
Caught Between Street Car & Parked Vehicle	3	24	2			29	.5	2	69
Rear End of Turning Street Car Struck Vehicle or Man		19	5			24	.4	4	167
Vehicle Turning Corner Strikes Pedestrian			33			33	.5	31	938
TOTAL	3562	757	1460	356	106	6241	100.0	2655	425

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

December 31st - 1923 1922

	<u>1923</u>	<u>1922</u>
Angle Parking	179	--
Assault Regardless of Human Life	-	--
Auto for Hire License Ordinance	6	--
Bridge Ordinance	5	11
Crusing Ordinance	11	2
Disregarding Traffic Signals	147	91
Driving on Sidewalk	5	3
Driving on Wrong Side of Street	21	11
Driving over Fire Hose	3	4
Driving Through Funeral Procession	8	4
Driving While Intoxicated	264	150
Driver's License Ordinance	11	5
Failing to Stop after Injury	13	12
Leaving Horse Unhitched	2	1
Manslaughter	1	2
Minors driving Motor Vehicles	-	1
Motor Running Unattended	95	52
Murder	-	-
No Flag on Extended Load	7	8
No Name on Truck	13	1
No Signal Device	-	-
Obstructing Traffic	1352	639
Obstructing Fire Hydrant	47	-
Parking	2154	2694
Parking left side of street	-	3
Passing St. Car Discharging Passengers	63	59
Passing Vehicle on Wrong Side	37	31
Passing Vehicles on bridge	5	3
Reasonable care to be used	-	2
Reckless Driving	469	305
Silent Police	13	3
Soliciting for Taxi	10	11
Speeding - Automobile	1219	1218
Speeding - Motorcycle	76	84
Speeding - Truck	191	112
Turning to left of intersection	30	13
Turning to right near Curb	-	1
Turning without giving Signal	12	10
Unnecessary Noise	2	-
Violating Arterial Stop-law	1803	509
Violating Automobile Number Law	105	111

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

December 31st - 1923 1922

(Con't #2)

	<u>1923</u>	<u>1922</u>
Violating Barrier Ordinance	5	5
Violating Boulevard Law	49	19
Violating Brake Law	1	-
Violating Headlight Law	88	71
Violating Horn Law	5	6
Violating Motorcycle Number Law	4	3
Violating Muffler Law	121	134
Violating Park Rules	2	-
Violating Police Ordinance at Depot	10	1
Violating Right of Way Ordinance	13	7
Violating Speedometer law	19	5
Violating Tail Light Law	13	6
Violating Truck Ordinance	<u>2</u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS	9806	6423

D I S P O S I T I O N S

	<u>1923</u>	<u>1922</u>
Dismissed by Court	98	71
Fined	9484	6172
Imprisoned	81	46
Sentence Suspended	<u>119</u>	<u>79</u>
TOTAL DISPOSITIONS	9782	6368

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SUMMARY OF SHOP WORK

Amount

6	Safety Zone Posts (Safety Isles)
327	Safety Zone Posts (Street Car)
52	Danger Crossing Signs
32	Dim Headlight Signs
37	Hospital Signs
35	No Parking Between Signs
7	No Parking Near Corner
4	End of Street Signs
48	No Parking Here Signs
29	"Stop" on Pavement signs
18	No Parking this side of street signs
8	One way Signs
12	No Parking in Front of Entrance signs
240	Miles White Line
97	Zone Posts replaced
110	Lanterns (filled and cleaned 2 times a week)
113	Lanterns replaced
68	Hydrant Signs
4	Bridge Signs
76	School Signs
46	Special Signs
12	Playground signs
196	Entire Block No Parking Signs
25	No Parking in Alleys
828	Safety Zone Posts (repainted)

Besides the above, four Automatic Signal Signs were made in December 1923 and put up in January 1924.

Permits were issued beginning in May to assist in the keeping of all motive driven vehicles numbered. Permits issued were:

Regular Auto Permits	4845
Regular Motorcycle Permits	400
Home Made Auto "	7739
Home Made Motorcycle "	276
Total Regular Permits	5245
Total Home Made Permits	8015
GRANT TOTAL	13260

T R A F F I C B U R E A U
O F F I C E

- 1 Sergeant (Acting Lieutenant)
- 1 Desk Sergeant
- 1 Clerk (Policeman)

APPLICATIONS INVESTIGATED

Taxi Drivers	876
Taxi Owners	187
Denied	<u>45</u>
Total Invenstigated	1108
Bonded Carriers'	32

FATAL ACCIDENTS	<u>1923</u>	<u>1922</u>
	76	65
Accidents Carded: Index Cards -	95,000	
Accident "	2,861	
ARRESTS CARDES	9,806	
Street Car Cards Investigated		390
Complaints Investigated		445
Amount of Bail Handled	\$90,597.40	

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