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MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

FOR THE YEAR

1945

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MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1945

An analysis of crime statistics for Milwaukee reveals an increase in most of the major crime classifications but the increase locally reflected similar trends in nation-wide statistics. A further increase is expected during the coming year.

There were 8 murders during 1945 compared with 5 during the preceding year. However, the homicide rate in Milwaukee is far below that of other large cities in the United States.

Other criminal offenses reported to the police were as follows: Rape--44 in 1945 and 29 in 1944; Robbery--90 in 1945 and 70 in 1944; Aggravated Assault--102 in 1945 and 81 in 1944; Burglary--887 in 1945 and 682 in 1944; Larceny--(\$50 and over)--600 in 1945 and 453 in 1944; Larceny--(under \$50) 3556 in 1945 and 3161 in 1944; Auto Theft--1009 in 1945 and 652 in 1944. Automobile thefts showed a tremendous increase immediately after gasoline rationing was terminated in August but the rate of recovery continues to be excellent--99.4% of the cars stolen.

For the second year juvenile detentions by this Department have shown a decrease, there being 6302 for the year 1945 compared with 6501 for 1944 and 7106 for 1943. An educational program was inaugurated by the Milwaukee Police Department to teach the youth of Milwaukee the meaning of law and order and to impress upon them the wisdom of conformity with legal requirements. Classes are held in the Police Training School each Saturday morning at 10 o'clock and consist of safety talks and discussions of non-conformity with the law by juveniles, including a simple straightforward explanation of the functions of the police. They emphasize the necessity of maintaining law and order and the benefits to be derived by all, juveniles and adults alike, who make whatever adjustments may be necessary to bring their lives into conformity with social and legal requirements. The whole program is designed to bring to the children who attend a realization that the Police Department exists for their benefit and that each member of the department is their friend with no desire to interfere with any legitimate activities in which they may be engaged so long as these do not encroach upon the rights of others.

So that this program to encourage safety and respect for the law might reach a larger number of children, members of the department presented the program in various schools of the city. Considerable interest was aroused among teachers, parents, and leaders of youth organizations and the program has received their enthusiastic praise.

Less than half of the juveniles taken into custody by officers of this department were referred to Juvenile Court Probation Officers for disposition of their cases. Over half were disposed of by district or bureau commanders by releasing them to their parents after investigation. These were cases not serious enough to warrant referral to juvenile authorities. In each case, the commanding officer made a sincere effort to convince the parents and offending juvenile that activities provided by the youth centers would be of great benefit.

The National Safety Council analyzed awards made in "traffic safety contests" during the past 13 years and in November, 1945, issued a table showing that Milwaukee leads all other cities in the United States in winning traffic safety awards.

TABLE I-A

PERSONNEL AND SALARY SCALE

1	Chief of Police	1st year	\$6600
		2nd year	6840
		3rd year	7080
1	Inspector of Police	1st year	4320
		2nd year	4560
		3rd year	4800
1	Deputy Inspector	1st year	3960
		2nd year	4140
		3rd year	4320
1	Captain of Detectives	1st year	3840
		2nd year	4020
		3rd year	4200
10	Captain of Police	1st year	3360
		2nd year	3600
		3rd year	3840
3	Lieutenant of Detectives	1st year	3420
		2nd year	3480
		3rd year	3540
(8	Lieutenant of Police	1st year	3000
(8	Detective Sergeant	2nd year	3180
		3rd year	3360
(56	Detective *	1st year	2580
(82	Police Sergeant	2nd year	2760
(1	Garage Supervisor (Police)	3rd year	2880
(931	Police Patrolman *	1st year	2040
(4	Policewoman	2nd year	2160
		3rd year	2280
		4th year	2400
		5th year	2520
2	Garage Attendant	1st year	1440
		2nd year	1560
		3rd year	1680
10	Jail Matron	1st year	1080
		2nd year	1200
		3rd year	1320
1	Chief Operator	1st year	2580
		2nd year	2760
		3rd year	2880
		4th year	3000
(18	Police Alarm Operator	1st year	2040
(13	Patrolman	2nd year	2160
		3rd year	2280
		4th year	2400
		5th year	2520
1	Radio Engineer	1st year	3360
		2nd year	3600
		3rd year	3840
		4th year	4020
		5th year	4200
9	Radio Mechanic	1st year	2520
		2nd year	2700
		3rd year	2880

(All of the above personnel received in addition, for the year 1945,
a monthly cost-of-living bonus of \$32.64.)

TABLE I-A CONT'D

1	Police Identification Supt.	1st year	\$3360
		2nd year	3600
		3rd year	3840
1	Secretary, Police Dept.	1st year	2760
		2nd year	2940
		3rd year	3120
		4th year	3240
		5th year	3360
1	Administrative Sergeant	1st year	2580
		2nd year	2760
		3rd year	2880
		4th year	3000
(2	Administrative Assistant I	1st year	2160
(1	Handwriting Technician	2nd year	2340
(1	Custodian of Police Property	3rd year	2460
		4th year	2580
		5th year	2700
1	Police Identification Supervisor	1st year	2040
		2nd year	2220
		3rd year	2340
		4th year	2460
		5th year	2580
(2	Clerk Stenographer III	1st year	1560
(1	Stores Clerk II	2nd year	1680
(1	Clerk Typist III	3rd year	1800
(1	Tabulating Equipment Operator	4th year	1860
		5th year	1920
3	Identification Technician	1st year	2040
		2nd year	2160
		3rd year	2280
		4th year	2400
1	Asst. Custodian of Pol. Property	1st year	2040
		2nd year	2160
		3rd year	2280
		4th year	2400
		5th year	2520
1	Teller II	1st year	1800
		2nd year	1920
		3rd year	2040
		4th year	2160
		5th year	2220
22	Clerk Stenographer II	1st year	1320
		2nd year	1440
		3rd year	1500
		4th year	1560
		5th year	1620
(1	Clerk Typist II	1st year	1200
(1	Clerk II	2nd year	1320
		3rd year	1380
		4th year	1440
		5th year	1500

(All of the above personnel received in addition, for the year 1945, a monthly cost-of-living bonus of \$32.64.)

TABLE I-A CONT'D

1	Key Punch Operator I	1st year	\$1080
		2nd year	1140
		3rd year	1200
		4th year	1260
		5th year	1320
5	Physician (Police) Part time	1st year	1080
		2nd year	1140
		3rd year	1200
		4th year	1260
		5th year	1320
1	Building Maintenance Foreman	1st year	2160
		2nd year	2340
		3rd year	2460
		4th year	2580
		5th year	2700
2	Maintenance Mechanic	1st year	1920
		2nd year	2040
		3rd year	2160
1	Maintenance Worker	1st year	1640
		2nd year	1800
		3rd year	1920
28	Custodial Worker-Window Washer	1st year	1440
5	Elevator Operator (Police)	2nd year	1560
		3rd year	1680
2	Custodial Worker I	1st year	960
		2nd year	1080
		3rd year	1200

(All of the above personnel received in addition, for the year 1945, a monthly cost-of-living bonus of \$32.64.)

* 1 Detective assigned to City Attorney's Office.

** 1 Patrolman assigned to Mayor's Office.

TABLE I-B

DISTRIBUTION OF PERSONNEL

	Number	#1 and Safety Bldg.	#2 District	#3 District	#4 District	#5 District	#6 District	#7 District	Traffic Bureau	Detective Bureau	Bur. of Identification	Bur. of Administration	Personnel & P. R.	Police Training School	Medical Bureau	Radio Bureau	Vice Squad
Chief of Police	1	1															
Inspector of Police	1	1															
Dep. Insp. of Police	1	1															
Captain of Detectives	1									1							
Captain of Police	10	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1					1			
Lieutenant of Detectives	3									3							
Lieutenant of Police	8	2	1	1	1	1	1	1									
Detective Sergeant	8									8							
Detective	56									56							
Police Sergeant	80	12	9	10	9	12	9	9	8					1			1
Garage Supervisor	1	1															
Police Patrolman	830	189	64	88	70	126	66	83	94	18	9					5	18
Policewoman	2																2
Jail Matron	10	4	3	3													
Chief Operator	1	1															
Police Alarm Operator	19	9	4			3										4	
Patrolman	12	6	2			3											
Radio Engineer	1															1	
Radio Mechanic	7															7	
Police Ident. Supt.	1										1						
Secretary, Police Dept.	1											1					
Administrative Sergeant	1											1					
Administrative Asst. I	2											1	1				
Handwriting Technician	1									1							
Custodian of Pol. Prop.	1	1															
Police Ident. Supervisor	1										1						
Senior Clerk	1										1						
Clerk Stenographer III	1									1							
Stores Clerk II	-																
Clerk Typist III	1									1							
Tabulating Equip. Optr.	1											1					
Teller II	1								1								
Clerk Stenographer II	22								10	4		5	2	1			
Clerk Typist II	2									1					1		
Clerk II	1								1								
Key Punch Operator	1											1					
Physician (Part time)	5														5		
Bldg. Maint. Foreman	1	1															
Maintenance Mechanic	2	2															
Maintenance Worker	1	1															
Cust. Worker-Wind.Washer	28	22	1	1	1	1	1	1									
Elevator Operator (Pol.)	3	3															
Custodial Worker I	1	1															
Garage Attendant	2	2															
	1134	262	85	104	82	147	78	95	115	94	12	10	3	3	6	17	21

TABLE II

CHANGES IN AUTHORIZED AND ACTUAL STRENGTH OF POLICE DEPARTMENT - 1945

	AUTHORIZED STRENGTH		ACTUAL STRENGTH		NET GAIN OR LOSS
	Jan. 1	Dec. 31	Jan. 1	Dec. 31	
Chief of Police	1	1	1	1	
Inspector of Police	1	1	1	1	
Deputy Inspector of Police	1	1	1	1	
Captain of Detectives	1	1	1	1	
Captain of Police	10	10	10	10	
Lieutenant of Detectives	3	3	3	3	
Lieutenant of Police	8	8	8	8	
Detective Sergeant	8	8	8	8	
Detective	56	56	55	56	/ 1
Police Sergeant	82	82	82	81	- 1
Garage Supervisor (Police)	1	1	1	1	
Police Patrolman	930	930	823	830	/ 7
Policewoman	2	2	2	2	
Garage Attendant	2	2	2	2	
Jail Matron	10	10	10	10	
Chief Operator of Police Alarm	1	1	1	1	
Police Alarm Operator	19	19	19	19	
Patrolman	12	12	12	12	
Radio Engineer	1	1	1	1	
Radio Mechanic	8	9	6	7	/ 1
Police Identification Supt.	1	1	1	1	
Secretary, Police Dept.	1	1	1	1	
Administrative Sergeant	1	1	1	1	
Administrative Assistant I	2	2	2	2	
Handwriting Technician	1	1	1	1	
Custodian of Police Property	1	1	-	1	/ 1
Police Identification Supervisor	1	1	1	1	
Clerk Stenographer III	1	1	1	1	
Stores Clerk II	1	1	-	-	
Clerk Typist III	1	1	1	1	
Tabulating Equipment Operator	1	1	1	1	
Teller II	1	1	1	1	
Clerk Stenographer II	22	22	20	22	/ 2
Clerk Typist II	2	2	2	1	
Clerk II	1	1	1	1	
(Senior Clerk)	1	1	-	1	/ 1
Kay Punch Operator *	1	1	1	1	
Physician (Police) Part time	5	5	5	5	
Bldg. Maintenance Foreman	1	1	1	1	
Maintenance Mechanic	2	2	2	2	
Maintenance Worker	1	1	1	1	
Custodial Worker & Window Washer *	28	28	24	28	/ 4
Elevator Operator (Police)	5	5	5	3	- 2
Custodial Worker I	2	2	2	1	- 1
TOTAL	1241	1242	1121	1134	/ 13

* Positions in the city service were reclassified on Aug. 1, 1945; however, the total personnel remained unchanged. The positions specified above are in accordance with the new classifications made retroactive to Jan. 1, 1945.

TABLE II-A

CHANGES IN POLICE PERSONNEL DURING 1945

1. Present for duty, January 1, 1945	1121
2. Recruited during the year	46
3. Reinstated during the year.	8
4. Returned from armed services.	<u>49</u>
TOTAL	1224
5. Separations from the service:	
a. Voluntary resignations	31
b. Retirement on pension	
1. Annuity	20
2. Disability.	12
c. Resigned with charges pending.	0
d. Dropped during probation	0
e. Killed in line of duty	0
f. Dismissed for cause.	2
g. Deceased	3
h. Enlisted and inducted into the Armed Forces.	<u>22</u>
TOTAL	90
6. Present for duty, December 31, 1945	1134

TABLE III

REPORT OF THE POLICE PHYSICIANS

1. Number of cases of sickness and injury of members and employees of the department	1063
2. Number of days lost by members and employees as the result of sickness and injury.	9055
3. Number of calls made on members and employees who reported sick or injured.	1588
4. Number of special medical examinations	1178
5. Special examinations -- applicants for Patrolman .	885

TABLE IV
OFFENSES KNOWN TO THE POLICE

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Offense	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1945 Total	1944 Total	1943 Total
Criminal Homicide															
a. Non-negl. mansl.	0	1	0	2	1	1	1	5	2	0	0	0	13	7	7
b. Mansl. by negl.	1	0	1	2	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	15	14
Rape	3	4	4	3	2	6	8	4	4	3	1	2	44	29	14
Robbery	5	7	9	6	10	9	8	5	12	8	2	9	90	70	73
Aggravated Assault	5	5	6	13	11	7	15	6	10	4	11	9	102	81	57
Burglary	62	53	77	93	84	77	67	78	85	101	68	42	887	682	907
Larceny															
a. \$50 and over	48	35	35	46	45	58	44	53	70	56	51	59	600	453	366
b. under \$50	228	197	255	263	364	350	302	387	380	342	294	194	3556	3161	3731
Auto Theft	41	38	58	66	54	85	96	163	108	127	73	100	1009	652	625
Total	393	340	445	494	572	593	542	702	672	642	501	416	6312	5150	5794

TABLE V
ADULT ARRESTS AND JUVENILE DETENTIONS

1 9 4 5

	<u>Persons over 18 years of age</u>	<u>Persons under 18 years of age</u>
1. Criminal Homicide		
(a) Murder and non-negligent manslaughter	8	0
(b) Manslaughter by negligence	7	3
2. Rape	67	11
3. Robbery	47	10
4. Aggravated assault	33	1
5. Burglary--breaking and entering	122	419
6. Larceny--theft (except auto theft)	268	1069
7. Auto theft	57	286
8. Other assaults	592	35
9. Forgery and counterfeiting	65	18
10. Embezzlement and fraud	177	19
11. Stolen property; buying, receiving, possession	13	26
12. Weapons; carrying, possessing, etc.	44	19
13. Prostitution and commercialized vice	56	0
14. Sex offenses (except 2 and 13)	532	121
15. Offenses against family and child	253	2
16. Narcotic drug laws	2	1
17. Liquor laws	17	1
18. Drunkenness	9038	63
19. Disorderly conduct	1508	1213
20. Vagrancy	762	20
21. Gambling	356	0
22. Driving while intoxicated	489	9
23. Violation of road and driving laws	16524	705
24. Parking violations	30228	189
25. Traffic and motor vehicle laws (exo 22-24)	808	175
26. All other offenses	<u>1216</u>	<u>1887</u>
TOTAL	63289	6302
Suspicion arrests	<u>760</u>	<u>0</u>
GRAND TOTAL	64049	6302

TABLE VI

MONTHLY STATEMENT OF ARRESTS

1 9 4 5

	<u>STATE CASES</u>	<u>CITY CASES</u>	<u>MISC. CASES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
January	420	5735	28	6183
February	311	4921	23	5255
March	485	5399	20	5904
April	410	4718	22	5150
May	400	5068	27	5495
June	340	4600	29	4969
July	456	4951	30	5437
August	344	5079	29	5452
September	330	3579	21	3930
October	416	5114	32	5562
November	349	4920	19	5288
December	334	4295	35	4664
TOTAL	4595	58379	315	63289

TABLE VII

1 9 4 5

NATIVITY OF ADULTS ARRESTED

United States	52,659
Germany	1,157
Russia	810
Austria, Hungary	676
Poland	670
Slavonia, Croatia, Bohemia	374
Italy	317
Mexico	294
Canada	203
Norway	139
England	108
Sweden	104
Ireland	83
All others	5,695
 TOTAL	 63,289

AGE OF ADULTS ARRESTED

Between 17 and 20 years	1,876
Between 20 and 30 years	12,362
Between 30 and 40 years	18,346
Between 40 and 50 years	16,644
Between 50 and 60 years	8,986
Between 60 and 70 years	3,089
Between 70 and 80 years	521
Between 80 and 90 years	38
Between 90 and 100 years	5
Age not given	1,422
 TOTAL	 63,289

MARITAL STATUS

Married	49,300
Single	13,989
 TOTAL	 63,289

COLOR

White	60,431
Black	2,551
Yellow	23
Copper	284
 TOTAL	 63,289

TABLE VIII
AUTO THEFT STATISTICS

	<u>1945</u>	<u>1944</u>
Thefts	349	174
Recoveries	339	174
Missing (as of Dec. 31).	10	6
Joyrides	660	478
Total thefts	1009	652
Total recoveries *	1003	652
Outside cars recovered	65	64
Total value of cars reported stolen.	\$718,190	\$418,977
Total value of cars recovered:		
(a) Local.	\$671,787	\$418,977
(b) Outside.	\$ 40,460	\$ 38,432
Percentage of recoveries	99.4%	100%

554 automobile thieves were arrested during 1945 as compared with 335 during the year 1944 (including juvenile arrests).

(*) Total recoveries as of March 25, 1945.

BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION

The total number of prisoners registered in the Bureau of Identification during 1945 was 4,929 as compared with 4,897 during the year 1944, an increase of 32 prisoners or .7 per cent. Of this number, 3,314 or 67% of the total number of prisoners, had previous fingerprint records here or elsewhere. Of the total number of prisoners, 1,427 or 29% were transients. There were 1,838 prisoners identified as having previously been fingerprinted.

A summary of the work performed by the Bureau follows:

Number of fingerprints taken during the year	21,602
Number of fingerprints mailed to other jurisdictions	9,469
Latent fingerprint investigations	278
Fingerprint cards sent to Federal Bureau of Investigation	3,693
New Prisoners photographed	1,979
Copies of new prints	5,937
Miscellaneous photographs	1,292
Photostatic copies of miscellaneous matter	3,608
Photographs for National Defense Program	420

During 1945, the Photographic Division produced 14,425 photographic prints as compared with 15,748 for the previous year.

There were 5,425 applicants for bartender licenses and 1,953 applicants for taxicab driver licenses registered and fingerprinted by the Bureau and 3,096 handwriting cards were filled out by new prisoners and repeaters.

During the year 1945, the Bureau of Identification was called upon to assist members in solving difficult cases involving "inside" thefts reported in offices and stores in which the thief continued to operate successfully despite the employment of usual methods to effect his apprehension. In every instance through the use of staining and fluorescent powders, the thief either was apprehended or the thefts stopped.

Frequently, during the past year the Bureau was called upon to obtain tiny identifying jewelers' scratch marks on rings, wrist watches, and other objects, and in every instance the numbers were read by the use of the binocular microscope. Ultra-violet light machines were used on many occasions to read faint and illegible writings and to detect changes made in documents, identification cards, etc.

There were 675 fugitives arrested by members of this department and turned over to other jurisdictions and 184 arrested by other departments and returned here.

DETECTIVE BUREAU

The Detective Bureau investigated 14,906 complaints of a criminal nature; 8,158 letters and communications were investigated; 7,058 persons were interviewed and 209 verbatim statements were taken during 1945. There were 226 suicides and attempt suicides investigated by members of the Bureau. The Pawn division of the Detective Bureau assisted in 94 cases in recovering property previously reported stolen valued at \$12,409.75.

MISSING PERSONS

During 1945 there were 1837 persons reported missing locally and of this number, 24 (15 male and 9 female) have not been located. Of the males, 5 are wanted on warrants for Abandonment, one is an ailing war veteran who left his wife, one is a juvenile wanted for Burglary and Larceny, and one is a juvenile on probation for Burglary and Larceny of Automobile.

Of the females still missing, 2 are soldiers' wives who were apparently unfaithful to their husbands, and two are juveniles on probation, and the remainder were from 15 to 24 years of age.

VICE SQUAD

There were 232 complaints received by the Vice Squad during 1945 compared with 361 during 1944; 1240 arrests were made by members of the squad during the current year compared with 1277 arrests last year. Complaints received by the Vice Squad follow:

	<u>1945</u>	<u>1944</u>
Disorderly houses and prostitution	28	20
Gambling	30	16
Liquor violations.	10	4
Fortune telling.	3	4

BUREAU OF PERSONNEL AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

The Bureau of Personnel and Public Relations was established in the department on October 1, 1945. The Director of the Bureau is responsible for devising and recommending methods and procedures designed to improve conditions of employment and the morale of the department personnel. Members of the department having grievances or in need of advice may consult with the director and, if the situation warrants, an interview is arranged with the Chief of Police. The Bureau also handles all activities concerning press releases and public relations.

RADIO BUREAU

The new radio dispatchers' room in the Safety Building was placed in operation on September 26, 1945. This room is equipped with a three-position board and all radio calls originate from this board and the officers in the cars talk back to the dispatchers at the board. The installation of the three-position board has greatly improved the efficiency of the Police Radio System.

All police department squad cars, ambulances, and combination patrol wagons and ambulances are now equipped with two-way "Radio Talk-Back Systems." In addition, 34 vehicles in the Fire Department are equipped with two-way radios and 50 have radio receivers only.

There were 116,677 radio dispatches transmitted during 1945 from Radio Station WPDK, including 78,750 orders to radio equipped mobile units of the city and 22,910 orders to suburban departments, the State Traffic Patrol, and other mobile units served by WPDK. The city squads and motorcycles made 45,495 runs as the result of radio broadcasts. There were 33,411 incoming calls from mobile units and 78,613 car acknowledgements.

Month	Calls Transmitted	Orders	Runs
January	8330	7002	3897
February	7427	6370	3472
March	9203	7982	4359
April	9108	7745	4278
May	9504	8102	4417
June	9736	8507	4632
July	10262	8949	4795
August	10998	9534	5011
September	10575	9229	4975
October	10904	9714	5477
November	8837	7710	4522
December	11793	10816	6080
Total	116677	101660	55915

There were 4117 intercity messages transmitted and 5515 intercity messages received by the Radio Bureau.

TABLE IX

ARRESTS MADE BY RADIO SQUAD CAR CREWS

1 9 4 5

Homicide	3
Rape	11
Robbery.	7
Aggravated Assault	8
Burglary	21
Larceny.	28
Auto Theft	21
Other Assaults	298
Forgery.	8
Fraud.	8
Sex Offenses	102
Abandonment.	15
Drug Laws.	0
Liquor Laws.	5
Drunk.	3925
Common Drunk	106
Drunk and Disorderly	1066
Disorderly Conduct	591
Vagrancy	148
Gambling	9
Operating Auto While Intoxicated	335
Reckless Driving	182
Speeding	2604
Misc. Traffic Violations	3201
Parking.	3405
Motor Vehicle Law Violations	151
Miscellaneous Laws & Ordinances.	243
Suspicion.	65
Juvenile Delinquency	<u>2804</u>
TOTAL.	19370

TABLE X

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES

1 9 4 5

	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Seventh	Traffic	TOTAL
Accidents Investigated	2497	927	1396	661	1610	913	1244	1808	11056
Ambulance calls	3653	1043	766	914	1209	761	959		9305
Complaints Investigated	20895	7240	8207	7724	12755	6753	5573	28	69175
Def.Sts. & Sdwks. Reptd.	350	1590	1405	1241	4421	1998	5469		16474
Destitute Persons Cared for	9	1							10
Doors Rptd. Open	248	313	261	161	263	278	247		1771
Drowned Bodies Recovered	9	1		4	2				16
First Aid Rendered	597	617	327	946	344	768	322		3921
Insane Persons in Custody	13		1		2	2			18
Letters & Comm. Investigated	21886	14366	12763	10227	16859	13235	9750	4566	103702
License Appl. Investigated	3002	1316	1451	987	1968	1009	1619		10852
Liquor Law Investigations									0
Lodgers Accommodated	88	84	11	33	12	21	10		259
Lost Children Restored	156	61	125	59	193	67	59		720
Official Letters Delivered	2918	1231	1919	1188	2841	1193	2182		13472
Official Notices Served	26	357	112	867		207	5		1574
Patrolwagon Calls	6035	1824	1463	809	1648	1096	1040		13915
Persons Rescued Fm. Drowning	2								2
Persons Reported Missing	564	232	322	150	358	137	142		1905
Sick and Injured Conveyed	4692	1181	828	946	1352	810	937		10746
Summonses to Traffic Bureau								19618	19618
GRAND TOTAL									288511

HOMICIDES - 1945

MURDER

FRANCIS KLOSKEY, 1332 S. 16th Street, Apt. 4, Age 21, an ex-soldier, was involved in a fight at 8:35 p.m., Tuesday, February 20, 1945, near 1566 W. National Avenue, was struck by his opponent and fell, striking his head on the concrete sidewalk. He died at 11:30 p.m., February 20, of a basal skull fracture. CLEARED. Robert Frank Goodman, 825 S. 14th Street, age 22, arrested February 20. Case dismissed in Municipal Court.

DAVID HILES, age 4, and THERESA JOY HILES, age 6, children of Mrs. Anita Hiles, 4556 N. 30th Street, age 26, between 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 18, and 8:15 p.m., Thursday, April 19, 1945, were asphyxiated by illuminating gas escaping from a kitchen range when their mother committed suicide in their home. Mrs. Hiles was a widow and had threatened to commit suicide previously. CLEARED. Murder and suicide.

LAWRENCE SMITH (COL), age 54, 1702 N. 5th Street, Apt. 1, was found dead in a five-car garage at 1729 N. 5th Street, at 6:35 a.m., Friday, May 25, 1945. A ragged perforation about three inches long on the left side of the head, exposing the skull, apparently was the cause of death. The victim was known as a policy gambler and kept his Packard car in the garage where his body was found. He was last seen leaving a nearby gambling house at about 1:30 a.m., on Thursday, May 24. CLEARED. Tommy Nolden, age 37, (col), 2121 N. 7th Street, arrested September 25, 1945, and sentenced in Municipal Court to life imprisonment at Wisconsin State Prison, Waupun. (See also MEYER GORDON case below.)

THEOPHILUS JOHNSON, Jamaican, age 36, Camp C, Waukesha, Wisconsin, at 11:30 a.m., Sunday, August 19, 1945, during an argument over payment of a debt at 1619 N. 9th Street, was fatally burned when naphtha was thrown over him and he was set afire. CLEARED. Bennie Lee Nixon (col), age 45, 1619 N. 9th Street, arrested the same day, sentenced to 14-25 years in the Wisconsin State Prison, Waupun.

MEYER GORDON, age 68, 210 W. Wells Street, at 10:40 p.m., Saturday, August 25, 1945, was found lying unconscious on the floor of his pawnshop at that address. He was lying in a pool of blood behind the showcases near his safe and was unconscious from six severe blows inflicted to the top of his head, causing a compound fracture of the skull. He was conveyed to the hospital and pronounced dead at 1:38 a.m., August 26. CLEARED. Tommy Nolden (col), age 37, 2121 N. 7th Street, arrested September 25, 1945, and sentenced in Municipal Court to life imprisonment at Wisconsin State Prison, Waupun. (See also LAWRENCE SMITH case above.)

MRS. CORINE DUNSON (COL), age 44, 424 W. Juneau Avenue, at 5:10 a.m., Wednesday, August 15, 1945, was shot in the region of the heart with a revolver at this address during an argument over money. She was pronounced dead upon entry at County Emergency Hospital at 5:26 a.m. CLEARED. Robert Minter (col), age 42, same address, arrested August 15 and sentenced to 14-25 years in the Wisconsin State Prison, Waupun.

MANSLAUGHTER

RAYMOND LAWLER, age 26, 2619 N. Bartlett Avenue, was reported struck about 1:30 a.m., Saturday, May 19, 1945, in front of 1410 N. 19th Street, by a strange man who knocked him down with a blow of his fist. A bystander picked him up and helped him across the street but the attacker followed and again struck the victim in the jaw, knocking him down. Lawler died at 5:50 a.m., May 19, as the result of his injuries. Investigation disclosed that the assault was the result of a dispute after a birthday party and concerned the taking home of a girl guest by a man under the influence of liquor. CLEARED. Raymond N. Mueller, 1111 W. Walnut Street, age 17, arrested the same day and sentenced in Municipal Court on July 11 to 90 days in the Milwaukee County Jail.

ANTON ROBNICK, age 52, 917 N. Milwaukee Street, about 10:45 p.m., Friday, June 29, 1945, in front of 1127 N. Water Street, was struck on the jaw during a fight, fell and hit his head on the sidewalk. He died at 6:00 a.m., June 30 at County Emergency Hospital as the result of a cerebral hemorrhage. CLEARED. Dominic Rosetti, age 52, 1124 N. Water Street, arrested the same day and released by the District Attorney's Office.

WILLIAM E. HANEY, age 44, 831 W. Wisconsin Avenue, about 2:20 a.m., on Wednesday, August 1, 1945, was struck in the face by one of four negroes in front of the restaurant at 1424 W. Wisconsin Avenue. The victim fell, struck his head on the sidewalk and died as the result of his injuries at County Emergency Hospital at 7:30 a.m., the same day. Investigation disclosed that Haneoy had been drinking liquor and had directed some uncomplimentary remarks about negroes to the men. CLEARED. William Lacy (col), 934 W. Lloyd Street, age 23, arrested the same day and found Not Guilty in Municipal Court.

HENRY GIBSON (COL), age 31, 1024 W. Somers Street, about 10:30 p.m., Friday, August 3, 1945, while on the street near 1012 W. Somers Street, was stabbed and cut ten times in various parts of the body when he interfered while his sister was being beaten by her husband. CLEARED. Israel Walden (col), 717 W. Cherry Street, age 29, arrested the same day and sentenced in Municipal Court to 2-4 years in the Wisconsin State Prison, Waupun.

JOSEPH CARTER, age 24, 236 E. North Avenue, was knocked down by a strange young man at the northeast corner of N. Holton Street, and E. North Avenue as he was getting off a bus about 9:05 p.m., Tuesday, August 14, 1945, and died as a result of his injuries at 2:10 a.m., August 16. The assailant explained to a witness before he left the scene that Carter had called him a vile name for smoking while on the bus.

TABLE XI

DISTRIBUTION OF PLANT EQUIPMENT

	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Seventh	Garage	TOTAL
Original Cost of Bldg. (not including land)	\$1,595,969	\$32,872	\$135,000	\$23,387	\$22,320	\$85,248	\$84,980	- - -	\$1,979,776
Year Built	1930	1892	1937	1904	1904	1927	1928	- - -	- - -
Pop. of Dist. (est.)	110,000	46,000	90,000	62,000	118,000	68,000	106,000	- - -	600,000
Area in Square Miles	4.92	2.89	7.22	5.97	7.40	5.61	10.16		44.17
Number of Ambulances	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
Number of Patrol Wagons	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
Comb. Amb.-Pat. Wagons	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	- - -	7
Number of automobiles (all 2-way radio equip.)	4	2	3	2	5	2	3	40	61
Number of motorcycles (all radio equipped)	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	51	53
Number of Servi-cars (all radio equipped)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	6
Number of Police Signal Boxes	214	93	186	131	182	115	214	- - -	1135
Boxes with lights	182	65	89	23	53	41	65	- - -	518
Police Motor Boats	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	- - -	1
No. of Burg. Alarm Stations	16	1	5	1	1	2	1	- - -	27
Other Mech. Equipment	1 TR	1	2	-	-	-	-	- - -	4

TABLE XII-A

DEATHS AS THE RESULT OF MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS

The following tabulation includes all deaths resulting from motor vehicle accidents in public places within the city limits of Milwaukee. *

<u>Year</u>	<u>Total Fatalities</u>
1928	113
1929	104
1930	90
1931	86
1932	86
1933	72
1934	66
1935	66
1936	70
1937	65
1938	41
1939	56
1940	68
1941	61
1942	48
1943	49
1944	31
1945	53

* Report does NOT include:

- (a) Deaths resulting from accidents which occurred off the street, on private (home or industrial) premises.
- (b) Deaths from traffic accidents not involving motor vehicle, such as street car striking pedestrian, train striking pedestrian, horse-drawn vehicle.

TABLE XII-B

ANALYSIS OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Type of Accident	All Accidents	Fatal	Non- Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Total Injured
Collision of motor vehicle with:						
1. Pedestrian	1262	44	1218		44	1287
2. Other Motor Vehicle	2731	4	737	1990	4	1063
3. Railroad Train	27		9	18		13
4. Street Car	218	1	73	144	1	107
5. Animal-drawn Veh.	7		3	4		3
6. Bicycle	106		104	2		104
7. Animal						
8. Fixed object	434	3	213	218	3	322
9. Overturned in Rdwy.	1	1			1	
10. Ran off Rdwy.						
11. Other non-collision						
12. Miscellaneous						
MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC TOTAL	4786	53	2357	2376	53	2899
14. R.R. not with Motor Veh.						
15. St.Car not with Mot.Veh.	86	1	83	2	1	87
16. Other not with Mot.Veh.	56		54	2		55
TOTAL TRAFFIC *	4928	54	2494	2380	54	3041

*All other tables exclude non-motor vehicle accidents and include motor vehicle accidents only.

TABLE XIII-C

ANALYSIS OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

COMPARATIVE TOTALS *

Type of Accident	1 9 4 5			1 9 4 4		
	All Accidents	Persons Killed	Persons Injured	All Accidents	Persons Killed	Persons Injured
Collision of Motor Vehicle with:						
1. Pedestrian	1262	44	1287	1056	26	1082
2. Other Motor Vehicle	2731	4	1063	1811	2	785
3. Railroad Train	27		13	17		5
4. Street Car	218	1	107	208		132
5. Animal-drawn Vehicle	7		3	6		3
6. Bicycle	106		104	92		91
7. Animal						
8. Fixed Object	434	3	322	366	2	202
9. Overturned in Rdwy.	1	1		1	1	
10. Ran off Roadway						
11. Other non-collision						
12. Miscellaneous						
MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC TOTAL	4786	53	2899	3557	31	2300

* Tables include motor vehicle traffic accidents only.

TABLE XII-D

ANALYSIS OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS *

BY AGE GROUP AND RACE

PERSONS KILLED

	ALL PERSONS			PEDESTRIANS			BICYCLISTS		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0-4 years	4	2	2	4	2	2			
2. 5-9 years	3	1	2	3	1	2			
3. 10-14 years									
4. 15-19	1	1							
5. 20-24 years	3	1	2	2		2			
6. 25-34 years	1	1							
7. 35-44 years	4	3	1	2	1	1			
8. 45-54 years	10	9	1	7	7				
9. 55-64 years	7	4	3	5	4	1			
10. 65-74 years	9	7	2	9	7	2			
11. 75 and over	11	7	4	11	7	4			
12. Not stated									
TOTAL PERSONS	53	36	17	43	29	14			
13. White	51	35	16	41	28	13			
14. Negro	2	1	1	2	1	1			
15. Other									
16. Not stated									
TOTAL PERSONS	53	36	17	43	29	14			

* Tables include motor vehicle traffic accidents only.

TABLE XII-E

ANALYSIS OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS *

BY AGE GROUP AND RACE

PERSONS INJURED

	ALL PERSONS			PEDESTRIANS			BICYCLISTS		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0-4 years	139	83	56	100	61	39			
2. 5-9 years	322	209	113	257	172	85	5	4	1
3. 10-14 years	188	139	49	90	57	33	68	62	6
4. 15-19 years	229	139	90	58	28	30	21	21	
5. 20-24 years	302	146	156	52	23	29	3	2	1
6. 25-34 years	404	224	180	67	32	35	3	3	
7. 35-44 years	366	212	154	104	59	45	1	1	
8. 45-54 years	377	214	163	178	111	67			
9. 55-64 years	268	169	99	155	110	45	1		1
10. 65-74 years	145	103	42	112	82	30			
11. 75 and over	47	32	15	41	30	11			
12. Not stated	116	63	53	73	47	26	2	2	
TOTAL PERSONS	2903	1733	1170	1287	812	475	104	95	9
13. White	2815	1686	1129	1240	778	462	102	93	9
14. Negro	84	45	39	44	32	12	2	2	
15. Other	4	2	2	3	2	1			
16. Not stated									
TOTAL PERSONS	2903	1733	1170	1287	812	475	104	95	9

* Tables include motor vehicle traffic accidents only.

TABLE XII-F

ANALYSIS OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS *

HOUR OF DAY

	<u>All Accidents</u>	<u>Fatal Accidents</u>
1. Midnight to 12:59 a.m.	247	4
2. 1:00 a.m. to 1:59 a.m.	176	4
3. 2:00 a.m. to 2:59 a.m.	168	3
4. 3:00 a.m. to 3:59 a.m.	84	3
5. 4:00 a.m. to 4:59 a.m.	43	
6. 5:00 a.m. to 5:59 a.m.	27	
7. 6:00 a.m. to 6:59 a.m.	94	
8. 7:00 a.m. to 7:59 a.m.	109	1
9. 8:00 a.m. to 8:59 a.m.	134	1
10. 9:00 a.m. to 9:59 a.m.	132	
11. 10:00 a.m. to 10:59 a.m.	167	1
12. 11:00 a.m. to 11:59 a.m.	197	1
13. Noon to 12:59 a.m.	249	1
14. 1:00 p.m. to 1:59 p.m.	212	4
15. 2:00 p.m. to 2:59 p.m.	236	4
16. 3:00 p.m. to 3:59 p.m.	341	
17. 4:00 p.m. to 4:59 p.m.	398	5
18. 5:00 p.m. to 5:59 p.m.	443	5
19. 6:00 p.m. to 6:59 p.m.	242	1
20. 7:00 p.m. to 7:59 p.m.	221	
21. 8:00 p.m. to 8:59 p.m.	252	2
22. 9:00 p.m. to 9:59 p.m.	212	3
23. 10:00 p.m. to 10:59 p.m.	184	4
24. 11:00 p.m. to 11:59 p.m.	202	6
25. Not Stated	16	
Total Accidents	4786	53

* Tables include motor vehicle traffic accidents only.

TABLE XII-G

ANALYSIS OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

BY DAY OF WEEK *

	<u>All Accidents</u>	<u>Fatal Accidents</u>
1. Monday	725	10
2. Tuesday	586	7
3. Wednesday	645	8
4. Thursday	599	5
5. Friday	681	5
6. Saturday	822	9
7. Sunday	<u>728</u>	<u>9</u>
TOTAL ACCIDENTS	4786	53

* Tables include motor vehicle traffic accidents only.

TABLE XII-H

ANALYSIS OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS *

BY LIGHT CONDITION

	<u>All Accidents</u>	<u>Fatal Accidents</u>
1. Daylight	2523	17
2. Dusk or dawn.	137	1
3. Darkness--street lights	2073	33
4. Darkness--no street lights.	15	2
5. Darkness--lighting not stated		
6. Not stated.	<u>38</u>	<u>—</u>
TOTAL ACCIDENTS	4786	53

* Tables include motor vehicle traffic accidents only.

TABLE XII-I
TYPE OF VEHICLE

	<u>All Accidents</u>	<u>Fatal Accidents</u>
1. Passenger car	6443	40
2. Same--and trailer or house trailer. . .	0	0
3. Truck	803	11
4. Truck and trailer	0	0
5. Truck tractor and semi-trailer.	115	2
6. Other truck combination	3	0
7. Taxicab	160	1
8. Bus	168	2
9. Motorcycle.	82	1
10. Other vehicle	0	0
11. Not stated.	<u>416</u>	<u>1</u>
TOTAL ACCIDENTS.	8190	58
12. Emergency vehicles included above	31	1

TABLE XII-J

SUMMARY OF ALL TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS REPORTED TO THE POLICE
DEPARTMENT FOR FIVE YEARS BY MONTH ENDING DEC. 31, 1945

MONTH	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945
January	1717	1980	1309	941	888
February	1425	1362	830	855	744
March	1347	1269	794	682	686
April	1221	986	611	584	627
May	1570	1201	789	628	678
June	1491	1202	749	624	685
July	1599	1120	682	557	672
August	1634	1111	696	616	795
September	1739	1159	672	556	949
October	1721	1110	678	672	908
November	1732	1233	704	697	1081
December	2016	1145	793	1154	1700
TOTAL	19212	14878	9307	8566	10413

NOTE: The above total of 10413 traffic accidents for 1945 includes 5485 minor accidents involving only property damage of less than \$25.

TABLE XII-K
REGISTRATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES
1928 up to and including 1945

Year	Number of Motor Vehicles Licensed in the County of Milwaukee	Number of Motor Vehicles Licensed in the City of Milwaukee
1928	146,720	-
1929	162,236	-
1930	162,099	-
1931	154,243	-
1932	142,159	113,821
1933	138,924	112,446
1934	151,316	122,295
1935	159,583	130,196
1936	179,432	147,322
1937	186,770	153,765
1938	181,587	147,106
1939	187,706	152,119
1940	197,528	161,671
1941	215,624	174,096
1942	180,254	148,543
1943	181,459	145,000 *
1944	172,813	140,000 *
1945	177,969	145,000 *

* Estimated

O B I T U A R Y

DR. F. X. MC CORMICK

Appointed Police Physician	March 22, 1930
Died	May 18, 1945

ALVIN BUECHNER

Appointed Police Alarm Operator	Jan. 8, 1903
Promoted to Chief Operator	June 18, 1927
Died	Sept. 30, 1945

FRED ZABEL

Appointed Patrolman	Jan. 23, 1908
Died	Oct. 2, 1945.

KILLED IN MILITARY SERVICE

WILLARD BEHRENS

Appointed Patrolman	Oct. 18, 1943
Military Leave of Absence, U.S.A.	July 1, 1944
Killed in action in Germany	March 4, 1945.

