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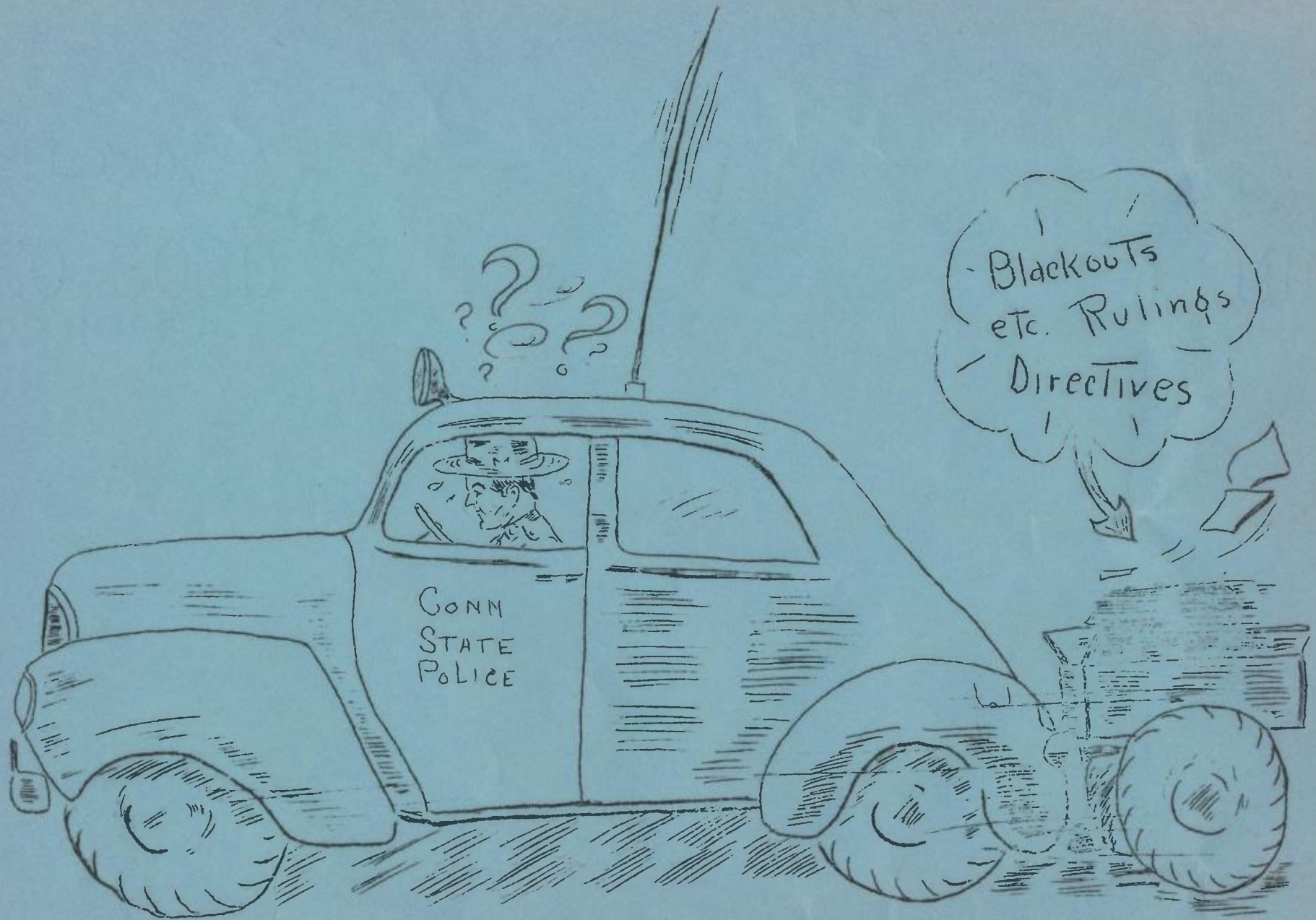
## CONN. STATE POLICE DEPT.



EDWARD J. HICKEY,  
Commissioner



AUGUST 1943



KEEP YOUR CHIN UP, BUDDY.

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IN MEMORIUM

Officer Jesmonth of the State Police lost his life in the performance of duty. He had received his orders which were to proceed to Portland and report to serve at the great fire raging at that moment and he went. The unexpected happened and the records at Hartford now contain the name of another hero. For that is exactly what Officer Jesmonth was, and what all members of the State Police are: "Their's not to reason why, their's but to do or die."

Connecticut as a whole should pause a moment to pay its tribute to Officer Jesmonth, for in the pause Connecticut honors itself as well as the young man who died in the course of duty. There was a soldier who gave his life for his country and in doing so brought honor to his fellows in the State Police. Everyone in that service goes just as unhesitatingly forward when the call comes.

Editorial -- Middletown Press

REQUIEM TO A GREAT GUY

On the roster of courage, he led them all  
And he died in answer to duty's call.  
Though his passing is sad, this much I know:  
It's the way my "Little Chum" wanted to go.

No need to call for a "29"  
On "Eddie", immortal pal of mine.  
He rides an emergency truck on high  
And represents "K" in the sweet bye 'n bye.

Officer John Grant, Station K

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Time has passed since that sad day  
When Officer Jesmonth passed away  
God took him home; it was His Will  
But in our hearts, he lives on still.

More and more each day we miss him,  
Folks may think the wound is healed  
But they little know the sorrow  
That lies in our hearts concealed.  
May his soul rest in peace.

Lieut. Pettengill and "K" officers

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Eddie was appointed to this department on December 15, 1941 after having satisfactorily completed the training course. Assigned to Station "K", he showed exceptional ability during the Hartford Bridge Disaster and shortly thereafter was assigned to the emergency service. He was instantly killed on July 20th while responding to duty at East Hampton.

This department mourns the loss of a good officer. Friendly, congenial, and a willing worker, Officer Jesmonth made many friends among the public and his fellow workers.

A TRIBUTE

The efficiency of our State Police and the excellence of their hook-up with local police forces were strikingly illustrated in their recent handling of a stolen car case. The owner of the car, which was a fairly late suburban model, sauntered out of the restaurant where he had dined, to find that he had no way of getting home except by shank's mare. Great was his consternation for the car was his pet and pride. It was also exceptionally useful and practically indispensable. But it was gone...gone into thin air...and gone, too, was his ration book. Dismayed, he thought of how easy it was to switch license plates and thus almost destroy a car's identity. And which direction would the thieves take? And would they wreck his chariot? These were some of the questions which assailed the wretched man, supplemented by the dismal thought of what his wife would say!

Well, one thing was certain; he must get in touch with the Police Barracks immediately. Five minutes after he lifted the telephone a police car rolled up to the scene of the abduction. In another five, a broadcast had shot through the air, covering the entire police systems of nine states! In less than 24 hours, the phone rang and a voice said, "We've located your car, Mr. So and So. It's in a garage on Whitney Avenue in New Haven, no damage as far as we know. New Haven City Police reported it to us. Call at their office on Court Street and they'll give you a release."

"Thank you," said the citizen weakly, and mopped his brow. And then a great feeling of gratitude surged over him and he sat there by the 'phone wondering how he could best pay tribute to the splendid organization which had so effectively come to his rescue,

And it occurred to him that he might express something of his appreciation through the columns of the Enquirer and stress not only the fine efficiency which had so directly benefited him but also the high type men with whom he had come in contact.

"It is a grand thing," he thought, "to know that in the Barracks on Harris Plains, we in Litchfield are so ably served and safeguarded and that in case of any trouble help is instant and whole-hearted." And fused with this warm sense of gratitude, the citizen was conscious of a more purely intellectual resolve to the effect that never again, no matter how short his absence, would he ever leave his keys in the car.

Litchfield Enquirer of

July 15, 1943.

OIL, OIL AND MORE OIL

Station "B" Canaan has reason to believe that the town in its area are using road oil. On Tuesday, July 27, a tank truck containing 2800 gallons of road oil overturned in Cornwall dumping all its load into the Hollenbeck River. On July 29, 1943, a truck containing 3500 gallons of road oil went through the flooring of the old covered bridge at West Cornwall and into the Housatonic River, thus placing this bridge, which is the last covered bridge in this territory, out of service.

THE STATE'S ATTORNEY ASKS:  
WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE LAW?

"The State's Attorney told the court that he would first prove the corpus delicti."

That's a sentence you are apt to see in reports of criminal trials, but it's not likely to mean much to you unless you have a thorough understanding of the term corpus delicti. Because corpus sounds so much like "corpse" and is, in fact the Latin word for body, many people think corpus delicti means only the body of the victim in a murder case. Actually there's a corpus delicti in every crime.

Study these questions and see whether you can answer them on the basis of your knowledge of the corpus delicti. If you can you rate an E for excellent in your legal education.

1. Just what is corpus delicti?
2. The proof of any criminal charge involves the corpus delicti and what other proposition?
3. In a homicide case, how does the victim's body figure in the proof of the corpus delicti?
4. Circumstantial evidence strongly indicated that Adams had killed Barker and while nobody had seen Barker's body there was convincing evidence that Barker was unaccounted for. Is this sufficient proof of the corpus delicti?
5. The headless torso of a man was found. It was identified by tattoo marks on the chest. Is this sufficient proof of the corpus delicti?
6. May the corpus delicti be proved by circumstantial evidence?

7. Malin confessed to police that after murdering Hart he had weighted the body and sunk it in a deep river. Although police dragged the river, the body was never recovered and no independent proof of corpus delicti was obtainable. In these circumstances, does the District Attorney need to prove the corpus delicti by separate proof?
8. The accused confessed killing a girl who had disappeared two months before and burning her body in a furnace. The state's attorney proved all this but the court said it was not sufficient to establish the corpus delicti. Why?
9. In an arson-murder case, the accused confessed and in addition the state's attorney proved by independent evidence the burning of the house and the fact that, after the fire, the body of the deceased had been found lying face downward on the floor. It was also shown that the deceased had been heard calling, "God help me, boys, there is fire in here!" What more is needed to prove corpus delicti?
10. What type of confession by the accused is sufficient to sustain a conviction without independent, corroborative proof of the corpus delicti?

Answers on page 14.

Mrs Florence R. Bramley, wife of our radio technician Frank Bramley, died on August 1, leaving a family of three growing children. She had been hospitalized due to recent childbirth and on the day she was to leave for home, a blood clot developed.

In Frank's two years with this department, we have come to know him as an intelligent and willing worker. Prior to joining this organization, he worked in and around Hartford, and also taught advanced radio at the Hartford Y.M.C.A.

The day following interment, he responded to duty and supervised the radio installations at the War Games in Fairfield.

This department's heartfelt sympathy is hereby extended to Frank in his hour of bereavement.

#### STATE POLICE COOPERATE

On May 15th, the State Police assisted greatly in the control of a fire in West Cornwall. Officers Pethick, Angell and Frost under the command of Sergeant Rivers all of Barracks B, Canaan worked from 2:30 P.M. until 12:30 A.M.

The scene of the fire was three miles south of West Cornwall on the east side of the Housatonic and reached by a very poor single-track road. With a radio car at the fire and another at headquarters in the village, traffic was kept flowing and the fire boss in instant contact with the fire line. Because of a dead spot, Officer Pethick, at the fire could not successfully reach his barracks and a third car was brought in and three-way communication used.

Without this radio set-up, it would have been practically impossible for the fire boss at headquarters to keep the communication line open.

Taken from the "Wooden Nutmeg"

Auxiliaries from Stations H, I, and A again complimented for their fine appearance at the War Games in Stonington, Middletown and Fairfield. Special praise for the Hartford men who assisted in setting up the necessary props.

Station "K's" new demolition truck, owned and manned by our Auxiliaries living in Middletown was an added attraction. This unit demonstrated how they could repair shattered watergas mains under bombing conditions. Needless to say, I's auxiliaries again stole the show.

#### RIDGEFIELD AUXILIARIES

New uniforms are arriving for the Ridgefield State Police Auxiliaries and they should be fully outfitted shortly.

Sgt. Merritt, together with Officer McCarthy and Auxiliaries Taylor, Nash, Munday, Keeler, Pettit, VanDerwater and Esposito have been assigned by Lieut. Tucker to take part in the Home Front Demonstration to be held at New Milford at August 7th.

The Auxiliaries have worked very hard and if their previous exhibitions have been an indication, they should perform in a manner which will heap further laurels on to the Connecticut State Police Department and its Auxiliaries.

#### SAFETY FIRST

Commissioner Hickey and Captain John C. Kelly are attending the I.A.C.P. Conference in Detroit.

On Friday, July 9th, Nicholas Palmer, an inmate of the Fairfield State Hospital in Newtown, was found dead under suspicious circumstances. Investigation by Captain Schatzman, Lieut. Tucker and several officers from the Ridgefield Barracks resulted in the arrest of Alex Hajj, age 34, of 6 East Franklin Street, Danbury (an attendant at the hospital), but Hajj insisted he was innocent of contributing to the death of Palmer. He was questioned for several hours but still would not admit anything and was locked up at Station A. The following morning Officer Louis Marchese, under instructions from Captain Schatzman and Lieut. Tucker was put in the cell next to Hajj, as another prisoner. Officer Marchese succeeded in gaining the confidence of Hajj and secured a confession from him. Well done, Officer Marchese!

Case No. H-31-Y

Officer George Panciera earned a day off when he apprehended three boys in a stolen car on July 9, 1943.

These boys were part of a group of five that escaped from the Lyman School for Boys in Marlboro, Mass. on July 4, 1943. They stole a car in Cambridge, Mass. and on their way to New York City were picked up by the Stamford Police. The boys escaped and went to New York City. In New York City they stole a car and were on their way back to Mass. when apprehended.

A Mexican who spoke little English walked into a California school building which houses Red Cross, rationing and other wartime offices. A nurse took his name, address, and other data, and sent him to a room where attendants drained the usual pint of blood.

Then the bewildered donor asked "Is it now that I get my gasoline?"

Chief Carroll, of the Meriden Police, reports the following interesting case:

Recently his department worked on the theft of \$432.00 from the pants pocket of a boarder at a rooming house in the Silver City. The only one home at the time was the landlady and naturally the investigators centered their attention on her. She disclaimed any knowledge of the crime but on the day following the theft, deposited \$450.00 in a local bank. Strengthened by this fact, the officers again questioned her but she insisted her father had given her this sum to bank. Needless to say, he corroborated this fact and after an extended investigation the matter was dropped because of insufficient evidence to prosecute.

A suit was filed in the civil court by the complainant and the landlady made defendant. After a week's trial, the jury brought in a verdict for the plaintiff awarding him damages in the amount of \$432.00 (the sum stolen)

The lady paid the judgment prior to leaving the court room.

#### HIS GIRL FRIDAY

A father was telling his young son the tale of Robinson Crusoe, "And one day he saw a strange footprint in the sand", the father recited. "He was puzzled for they weren't his footprints. He hadn't seen anybody else on the island. And this island was far, far away from all other lands. And he said to himself: "Whose footprints could these be?" The youngster put in: "I know. Eleanor Roosevelt's."

Lieut. Russell Olson, formerly at Station "K" has been promoted to Captain and is stationed at Bayone, New Jersey in charge of a Military Police School.....

Station L will soon sprout an emergency vehicle. It will be the department's specializer - small and light, but will contain nothing but the best.....

Trooperettes born to Officers John Kearney of Station C and Jack Jones of Station L. Jones is a new trooper and was formerly a Lieut. in charge of police at a Bridgeport war plant.....

Bill Casey is out practicing on the cycle. He is contemplating entering the Eastern States Cycle Climb.....

Officer Tony Buffa enjoying vacation - playing "hard to get".....

For the first time in the history of the Ridgefield Barracks, a woman is working as a clerk in what has been, until a short time ago, a man's world. Mrs Theresa Leo is the new clerk and the other day she secured her radio license and we will be hearing another feminine voice over the air waves.

Sergt. Irving Cohen, former dispatcher at "B" is now at a radio school at Kansas City, Kansas. Reports that life there is excellent; food wonderful.....

Imagine the surprise of Dispatcher Conklin of Station "B" when on last Sunday morning, while looking out the window of the barracks he saw a plane crash just across the road from the barracks. All he had to do was yell, "Signal 19" and the everready Station B officers were present at the scene.. Officer Frost, however, found himself without breakfast as the plane had cut the power lines leading to his home before it crashed across the road from the barracks...The pilot was uninjured.

Lieut. Pettengill is a busy man these days: without a clerk, he fills in...mechanic short, he works in garage...chef off, he gets the dinner....janitor off, he takes his turn at taking care of the victory supply at "K" poultry, swine and steers.....

Detectives Doyle and Flanagan are looking for rents in and around Hartford and New Haven...Anyone having knowledge of a tenable place, please contact above-mentioned officers.....

Officer Adam Beaudry is in great demand with his bloodhounds. He was called to Norwich Sunday, July 18, to assist in the search for Carl Wilson, a dangerous, criminally insane, colored man, who escaped from the State Hospital there.....

Lt. Bob Ray, formerly at Station E acting as Provost Marshall in Army camp down south.....

Anyone wishing information on a victory garden can write to Dispatcher William Pettit, who holds ten agricultural certificates and knows the secret of killing the various bugs which raise havoc with his garden.....

Lt. Boas recently spoke to the Hartford Auxiliaries on the subject of communications.....

Natale Negri, former houseman at the Canaan Barracks is with the Navy at Trinidad. When last heard from he was on a P.T. boat.....

Officer Wendell Tatro of Station K has joined the Armed Forces it is expected that he will specialize in the photographic field.....

Ninety per cent of the personnel at Station K were blood donors to the American Red Cross in Colchester.



Garageman Joseph Zurowski has been in Africa since the first landing of troops last November with an Engineering Boat Regiment.....

Oliver Durand, chef at Canaan Barracks before his induction, is still cooking for the officers at Camp McLelland, Alabama.....

Bob Brown, ex-85, now Chief Petty Officer in Coast Guard, stationed at Manhattan Beach, reports birth of baby, "Roberta Amy".....

Peter "Skinny" Puzone is to be inducted on August 6th. Even if he is replaced by a beautiful blonde dispatcher he will be missed at "F"

Station B has added Stanford Simmons better known as "Slim" to its roster in the role of dispatcher. Slim has been discharged from the Army for medical reasons. Formerly was a manager of a Western Union office so is in great demand when it comes to making out reports and typing. The boy can really make the teletype and typewriter sing..

The good ship "Judy" is still in operation on the river and receiving good care at the hands of Officers Engstrom, Goodale and Sternberg. Sergt. Heinold's experience as a navigator consists of operating a raft on Horse Pond in Madison when he was a kid, but he is showing them how to do it..

James Dick, Joseph Donovan, and Marcus Johnson are all C.P.O. in the Coast Guard. Dick is at the Manhattan Beach training School, Johnson in Devon, Conn., and Donovan in New Haven.....

Former "L" radio dispatcher Guy Bonuomo is stationed at Camp Croft Address:

Company D, 26th Inf.  
Trg. Bn., Bldg. 463  
Camp Croft, So. Carolina

Johnny Winn, former dispatcher at Station "B" Canaan, has been home for a few days on furlough and was a recent visitor at "B"..now with U.S. Ferry Command, as radio operator.....

Bill Casey, Station L, is out practicing on the cycle.....

We hear that Policewoman Briggs is quite the tennis player.....

Sergt. Heinold says: "Our durational troopers" Emmerthal, MacDonald, McNally, Menard and O'Brien are more than making good. Enough so that when they were discussing the proposed education of the Chinese the other day and being skeptical, remarked, "See what they did to you fellows in 30 days" and I'm not kidding, they are O.K."

Lieut. Pettengill received a letter from the former chef at Station K He is now at the following address  
P.F.C. Julian Durand  
C.G. Mess 5th Bn.  
#460481, Paris Island, So. Carolina

Former radio operator Bill McNamara writes from Fort Collins where he is attending the Army Air Force Technical Training School. Besides carrying on his regular duties, he is playing the part of "Rooney, a hard boiled detective" in "Arsenic and Old Lace" an Army production receiving nation-wide acclaim.....

Thanks to Lieuts. Stevens and Pettengill for donations to the Police School, the former for a fine red rug bearing inscription, Conn.S.P. Academy, the latter for a large antique book case.

It's good to see Sgt. Rundle back in Special Service Division after his vacation.

After Auxiliary Bert Gufstafson's performance at Middletown War Games, he is in great demand by Barnum-Bailey. To place explosives (for sound purposes) it was necessary that he straddle a 75 foot building while balancing a 2x4 with dynamite attached.....

HONORS

Lieut. Frank Chamerooy recently voted Vice Pres. of Natl. Identification Officers Assn. He also holds same office in the International Assn.

APPRECIATION

Cheshire, Conn.  
July 1, 1943

Dear Lieut. Boas:

I want to thank you for everything you did in regards to the funeral arrangements for Harry.

Will you please extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to the members of the escort; also to the officers who were kind enough to act as pall bearers.

Thanks also for the copy of Vox-Cop. I enjoyed reading the news. I've always felt as though I knew a lot of the officers, even though I met only a few.

Sincerely yours,

Alice R. Carpenter

On a recent date, one of the bad boys of Stafford Springs, graduate of Cheshire Reformatory, home on parole, was surprised in the act of burglarizing a hardware store in Stafford Springs. He was apprehended and subsequently found himself in state-room No. 1 Stafford Barracks, with all the comforts of home including hot and cold running water, but no feathers on his bed that would tickle him while he slept. Due to the last fact, he was very dissatisfied with his quarters and after he had eaten a good meal, removed one of his shoelaces with which he unlocked the door of his stateroom. Lo and behold! was the Lieutenant's face red! Owing to strict censorship we are unable to repeat what the Lieutenant said.

Incidentally the bad boy was apprehended by Officer John Kearney and Lieut. Hulburt a few hours later and when he was returned to his stateroom, he went in sans shoelaces.

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Here's Where Our Gas Goes!

British experts calculated that one big R.A.F. raid on the Ruhr costs \$800,00 for gasoline.

NEW ERA  
DEEP RIVER

MIDDLETOWN PRESS

A CAUSE FOR PROTEST

The test blackout of Wednesday night which covered all the New England states, has brought forth a protest from State War Council Administrator Harold F. Woodcock. He claims that the blackout was of too long duration and inconvenienced many people. That may be true, but this is war and war brings many inconveniences. It is far better to know that the test was successful than to later spend an entire night with enemy planes overhead raining down death-dealing bombs. If we can become efficient in conducting a successful test blackout, we are much safer than making a miserable failure of it. And it is only by repeated tests that we are to become efficient. We are in favor of more blackout tests even though they may prove inconvenient to some people.

The test raid caught many of our state officials quite unawares. Mr. Woodcock was included in a group of dignitaries who were gathered in Middletown to witness a much heralded program sponsored by the state police department.

Commissioner of State Police, Edward Hickey was also at Middletown to serve as chief ringmaster for the show. Also gathered at Middletown were some thirty or more fire engines from throughout the county, as well as ambulances from several state police barracks in the state. Most of the emergency equipment of the state police department was crowded into the field. Many state police and state police auxiliaries were at the scene as well as fire chiefs, assistant chiefs and fire department members.

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CIVILIANS DEFEND

Even before the tumult and the shouting died and long before the scores of throats had dislodged the dust of flares and bombs and even of pelting motor cars, there was praise for those who conducted the home front show. It was not only a nice affair, as the saying is, but one of effect. The idea of the show was to keep the public, including the civilian defense, aware of what is to be done and to impress the need for eternal vigilance.

Civilian defense started slowly and had to feel its way. The ground finally was cleared and the foundation laid. Then the structure grew. The architects are forgotten earlier builders unknown. But here is their work. Colonel Fisher and Professor Sturges, Colonel Hickey and now Mr. Woodcock joins the list. They were and are public servants, men of parts admirably adapted to the task that was theirs, chief part of which it may be said is to keep the public aware of what could come to pass.

Civilians have had a lot of respect for civilian defense. Look over the records and see how many have been hauled before authorities for violating regulations. Very few, indeed, though in some cities more, in some less and in very many not a single one. That is proof of what has been done to build the civilian defense. The public had to be "sold on the proposition," and indeed it has been, and that may be stated without regard to the fact we are not out of the woods yet, as far as

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This huge assemblage of defense equipment and personnel undoubtedly made an inspiring scene, but how about the property and lives at home depending upon this equipment for protection and aid?

The Lower Middlesex County Ambulance which was purchased by the residents in the down-county towns and which is financed by the down-county towns, was in Middletown, leaving the area which it is supposed to serve without ambulance service. It is true

that arrangements were made for an ambulance in New London to serve the area but New London is nearly an hour's drive from here.

Many of Deep River's fire department members were in Middletown, including most of its officers. All of Deep River's auxiliary state police, with the exception of one who was at the observation post, were at Middletown.

When Chief Air Raid Warden Walter Euston arrived at the Report Center he immediately sought the services of an auxiliary state policeman to handle the large crowd at the carnival and to see that the lights were extinguished and the children and adults were properly cared for. Not an auxiliary was in town. They had been requested to go to Middletown by Commissioner Hickey.

And this is not the first time that programs of this kind have been held in the state. There was one in Simsbury recently and another in Stonington and another at some other point. And another one is scheduled to be held in Guilford early in August. While these may have a public appeal and may also be instructive it seems unnecessary to tie up such vital equipment and personnel at a time when we may expect to be bombed by enemy planes.

On the front page of the Hartford Courant on Thursday morning, Mr. Woodcock is quoted as follows:

"Many people, including a certain small number of CD workers themselves have perhaps made up their individual minds that in view of the tremendous victories the Allies are making on all of the world fronts that the danger of Connecticut being bombed has passed." This is rather inconsistent with the fact that he himself participated in a program which draws civilian defense groups from an area of 20 or 25 miles and congregates them on a crowded field in Middletown. Furthermore (and we quote from the Hartford paper) "he urges the enrollment of local volunteer civilian defense workers and to drive home to all citizens of the state the vital need for maintaining an alert defense against possible enemy actions here." We quote further from Mr. Woodcock's statements: "I firmly believe that there is still a definite prospect of our state being bombed or being subjected to other types of enemy action."

After making these statements we are surprised that he should condone a program such as was held on Wednesday night.

And, too (and this is for the benefit of holders of A gasoline coupons) remember that it requires gasoline to drive thirty fire trucks, several ambulances, trucks and motor vehicles to such an affair.

#### MANPOWER

##### GOOD MATERIAL

The Atlantian, published by convicts in the Atlanta Penitentiary, editorialized: "Field Marshall Wavell is said to have described the modern soldier in these terms: A good soldier must be part burglar, part footpad, part athlete, part gunman...and all guts."

"If this is on the level, General Eisenhower is overlooking a lot of good material. And we don't mean at Harvard, either."

Time, July 12, 1943.

need of civilian defense is concerned.

"In every Middlesex village and farm," the public stands ready for action if action is needed. That is a satisfying thought, even a comforting one. "I aim," said one civilian defense leader, "that we shall be able to sleep nights without being beset by the thought 'what if we are bombed!'" There is perhaps the guiding thought behind the set-up that the administrators of the State Defense or State War Council have created.

Whatever the case it is time to say to the whole line of administrators at Hartford, and to those responsible for supporting the administrators, "We thank you."

#### STATE POLICE PERSONALITIES

Lieut. Willard E. Bushy was born December 8, 1875 at Peru, N.Y. son of Fuller and Josephine Barber Bushy. Public schools in his native state provided his early education, and at the age of sixteen, he served as a "boss farmer" at Harriestown, N.Y. A rough and tumble wrestler, capable of holding his own against all comers he naturally turned towards military affairs and enlisted in the Army for Spanish-American war service and rose to Corporal rank in Company D, 21st Regulars. In 1901, he worked as a foreman for the A.N. Farnham property and after two years entered the Winchester Repeating Arms Company. He later established his own trucking company in New Haven and in 1909 joined his father-in-law in the amusement business at Hanover Park in Meriden. Continuing his enlistment in the National Guard, he went through the ranks and at the outbreak of the Mexican border trouble he served as battalion adjutant under Major Ernest L. Isbell, remaining for a year at the border. He was again called into service when the United States entered World War I, serving as a Military Police Officer with 22 sergeants. Sent overseas in

1917 in command of 113 men from the Regiment Supply Co. which was later known as the 2nd Conn. Yankee Division. He became second in command of Company D, and on July 22, 1918, during the American drive at Epieds, France his battalion lost 750 men, wounded and killed, and Lieut. Bushy himself was captured by the enemy with seven of his men. He was placed in a prison camp where he remained for the next four months, being released after the signing of the armistice. Returning to France, he served as a Battalion Adjutant under Colonel McCaskey, with the 316th Infantry and was honorably discharged from the Army at Camp Dix in June, 1919.

In 1921, he joined the State Police acting as Military instructor at the first school held at the Boxwood Manor in Old Lyme. Leaving the school he opened Station No. 2 in Ridgefield and became its Commanding Officer. In 1922, he was appointed to the post of First Sergeant and Inspector Instructor of the Department, a position that he held until 1927. On July 20th of that year, he was promoted to Lieut. and transferred from Headquarters in Hartford to Station #1 in Centerbrook. Later this station was redesignated Station F and shifted to Westbrook.

The Lieutenant, in addition to his other accomplishments, is a crack shot and a collector of firearms, his first gun being an old blunderbuss that he acquired from John Porter, tender of the Saybrook-Lyme Bridge. This weapon, more than 200 years old, was made in London in the 18th Century and bore the famous name of Twigg. His collection includes rifles of the type used in the Civil, Spanish-American and World Wars, also an old plains gun of the type used by Buffalo Bill.

In 1929, he obtained an old carbine rifle of the ball and cap type and when unloading it, he found "New Haven Register" of 1863,

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continued)

same being used as wadding, indicating that it had never been loaded after that year. This same year his station won the coveted Waggoner Trophy, while he personally won the Robert Hurley trophy as the best shot in the department.

Lieutenant Bushy married in 1905, Rowena Leaver of New Haven. The children of this marriage were Willard E., Junior, now a Petty Officer in the U. S. Navy and Selwood, in the United States Air Corps.

MARINES

Helen Breault, former clerk in Accounting Division, writes from Camp Lejeune New River, North Carolina:

"The camp is 200 miles square and the nearest hamlet is 1/2 hour away by bus and it has one drug store and a Five and Ten. We get up at 5:45 A.M., have calisthenics at 6:00 A.M.; make beds without wrinkles; breakfast and then drill or class till noon. One hour for lunch and then drill and classes again. After supper, wash, iron, etc. as there is a complete clothing change daily. There's no such thing as riding here and it's surprising the number of blisters one can acquire. Every day I have one in another spot. We drill daily under a very tough Marine Sergeant. According to him everything we do is wrong. The sun is so strong that the heat from the macadam road on which we drill burns through your shoes. Some of the subjects we have had to date are: First Aid, Military Discipline, Customs and Courtesy, History of Marines, Safeguarding Military Information, Naval Organization, Physical Education, The food is good and we have plenty of it. There are two mess halls, seating about 1000 each. We are allowed to smoke in the sleeping quarters. However some-

one put a lighted cigarette in the G.I. can, so we were restricted from smoking for 48 hours. They don't do any fooling around here. You either do as they say or else! We had a physical last week and were given shots for tetanus and typhoid. Our arms were pretty sore for several days. This probably sounds like a tough life and it really is hard but in spite of it all, I love this place and am not sorry I came."

Regards to all

Helen

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Here's a tip from the National Safety Council to night-shift war workers: On your way to and from work, wear something white or light-colored, or carry a white lunch box.

SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATION

Charges of B & E (3 counts) and assault with intent to rape were lodged against Herbert Gill negro, following his dishonorable discharge from the Army at Bradley Field.

Gill entered the home of a Suffield resident and when frustrated in attempted rape, brutally beat his intended victim with a club.

Fingerprints left on a newly painted window sill were picked up and identified as Gills by Lieut. Chameroy and Officer Menser. Sergt. Nolan and Officer Paige secured a size 16 plaster of paris cast and both these exhibits caused Gill to give a signed confession.

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A Detroiter reports that since last he received clean shirts from his laundry, enormous battles have been fought, a Caesar has fallen, empires have disappeared.

1. The body or substance of a crime. The material fact that a crime has been committed. Also used to denote the material substance on which a crime has been committed, such as the corpse of a murdered man, the charred remains of a burned-down house.
2. After proving corpus delicti, namely that a crime has been committed by someone, the district attorney must then prove that the person who committed the crime was the defendant and nobody else. Unless he proves both, he cannot get a conviction.
3. The victim's body is proof, that he is actually dead. Marks wounds, and autopsy findings show that he was killed, hence proved the corpus delicti.
4. No. There must be proof that the victim of the homicide is in fact dead. It is not enough merely to show that he is missing.
5. Yes. The proof of death is legally sufficient if parts of the body are found bearing marks or other indications proving identity. Thus in several cases, a skull has been found and the identity of the victim established by a dentist recognizing dental work done by him.
6. Yes, but it is for the jury to say whether such circumstantial evidence establishes the corpus delicti.
7. Yes, If the states attorney cannot prove the corpus delicti by evidence separate from the confession, he cannot convict the accused. Full, independent proof of the corpus delicti is not required; it is sufficient if the confession of murder is corroborated by other, independent evidence of the corpus delicti.
8. This corroborative evidence would have been sufficient to establish the corpus delicti except for one thing - the state's attorney did not prove that blood stains and the bones were human.
9. The burning of the house and the death of the victim might have been accidental. To prove the corpus delicti, it is necessary to show also, that they were the result of the criminal act of someone.
10. A so-called judicial confession; that is, a confession made by the accused in open court.

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ANSWER TO LAST ISSUE'S  
QUESTIONS

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1. True
2. True. One rule is well established that evidence of another crime committed by the defendant is not admissible as means of implying guilt of crime charged. However, this is an exception in that evidence of other crimes is admissible for purposes of disclosing a common pattern or design.
3. Yes
4. Such a question is difficult to answer in a short space. If the officer informs the accused that he is arresting him and that person uses a gun, stone, stick or fist, and attempts to fight the officer, of course, it is "resisting" but if the officer lays a heavy hand on his shoulder and he merely squirms away saying, "Get

Answer to last issue's questions  
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your hands off me," the officer has no right to use his baton and reduce the accused to helplessness. It's all a matter of reasonableness under the circumstances. One thing is certain, if the offender understands that he deals with an officer it is his duty to submit to arrest peaceably.

5. No.

6. Yes.

7. Crime is deemed to be committed where last significant act took place. Therefore, as far as jurisdiction is concerned, if candy was eaten somewhere between Hartford and New York, but it could not be determined just where, the case could be tried in either terminal, Hartford or N.Y.

8. No.

Friday afternoon, Lieutenant Merle Cole of the Maine state police requested Commissioner Edward J. Hickey at Hartford to send the bloodhounds to that state.

Lieut. Harry T. Tucker, commanding officer of Ridgefield barracks assigned Policemen Adam Beaudry and Emil Struzik to accompany the dogs to Maine and to direct them in the hunt. The men and the dogs were flown north in an Army bomber early Friday evening. Maurence, who was shot by a posseman when he was sighted on an open trail, and who died six hours later in a hospital, told Lieut. Cole that he came out onto the trail Sunday because the two bloodhounds had driven him out of a swamp the night before.

The Bridgeport Telegram  
August 12, 1943

TWO CONNECTICUT BLOODHOUNDS  
TRACK SLAYER IN MAINE WOODS

Dogs Trained at Ridgefield Barracks  
Run Criminal to Ground.

Danbury, Aug. 11 - Two bloodhounds trained at Ridgefield state police barracks, were credited yesterday afternoon by Attorney General Frank I. Cowan of Maine, with a direct part in the capture of Alphonse Maurence of Sabien, Province of Quebec, last Sunday afternoon. Maurence was wanted for questioning in connection with slaying of Wesley F. Porter, 46, of Patten, Me. a guide, who was found mortally wounded at a camp near Webster Lake, Me. the night of June 3.

A posse of 30 men composed of Maine peace officers had trailed Maurence for two weeks through the dense wilderness in Piscataquis county without success and last



John F. Stokes, well-known head of the Massachusetts state detective forces, was named commissioner of the State Department of Public Safety by Governor Saltonstall recently. Commissioner Stokes is now head of the trooper and detective force and administrator of one of the busiest departments in Mass.

Commissioner Stokes started his career as a municipal patrolman in 1911, and he has been a policeman ever since, with the exception of a two-year hitch in the Army as a Lieutenant during World War I.

Massachusetts newspapers lauded Commissioner Stokes' promotion as one of the most popular and deserving made by Governor Saltonstall.

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AGAIN ITS PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE

Commissioner C. M. Wilhelm advises that the official name of the Penn. enforcement unit is now Pennsylvania State Police. The Legislature recently amended state statutes restoring the original form of the name of the department.

In 1905 the Pennsylvania State Police was created. In 1923 there was also established the Pennsylvania Highway Patrol. For fourteen years the two units functioned independently until in 1937 when they were combined and named the Pennsylvania Motor Police.

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OBJECT - MATRIMONY

A woman resident of the North end told local police Tuesday that a man dragged her by her hair down two flights of stairs, choked her and threatened to kill her.

She wanted the police to help her because he has promised to marry her.

Hartford Courant July 14, 1943

Officer Bill Murphy of Station F picked up Garfield Grills of New York in a stolen car after he had kidnapped and robbed a garage attendant. Grills was AWOL from the Army where he was assigned to a parachute regiment. He was armed with a loaded automatic pistol but Sergeant Bill of World War No. I beat him to the draw; just a case of a bad paratrooper meeting a good State Trooper.

FROM ONE TO TEN: WARNING SIGNS ON THE ROAD TO PROSPERITY

1. You cannot bring about prosperity by discouraging thrift.
2. You cannot strengthen the weak by weakening the strong.
3. You cannot help small men by tearing big men down.
4. You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich.
5. You cannot lift the wage-earner by pulling the wage payer down.
6. You cannot keep out of trouble by spending more than your income.
7. You cannot further the brotherhood of man by inciting class hatred.
8. You cannot establish sound social security on borrowed money.
9. You cannot build character and courage by taking away a man's initiative and independence.
10. You cannot lose by having faith in the greatest Democracy in the world - The United States. Invest in it Buy and Buy:

DEFENSE BONDS