

ANNUAL REPORT

PROVIDENCE POLICE

DEPARTMENT

1954

January 20, 1955

Honorable John B. Dunn

Dear Sir:

I have the pleasure of submitting herewith the annual report of the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1954.

Although there was a 32% increase in prosecutions of moving traffic violations during the year, which was consistent with our stepped-up policy of rigid enforcement, there was, however, a 2.4% increase in accidents of all types. This was probably due to the increased number of motor vehicle registrations and the requirements, with which most motorists have now become familiar, that all accidents must be reported to the police. During the year there were thirteen persons killed as a result of traffic accidents. This would indicate to some extent the beneficial results of the various safety programs and lectures which were held in the schools. The increase in the number of Women Crossing Guards now employed also helped materially.

With the reorganization of the department, in effect for fifteen months, it is now possible to present figures, susceptible to comparison, revealing that an increased enforcement and patrolling program by a revitalized patrol force and a marked increase in clearances by an alert and efficient detective division have both contributed toward an overall reduction in criminal offenses when compared with a like period prior to the reorganization.

National statistics are available for the first six months of 1954 and they disclose the alarming fact that crime in the United States may reach an all time high. However, I am happy to report that our programs to remove conditions contributing to juvenile delinquency and combat crime have met with marked success in that the 3.5% nation-wide increase in criminal activity has not been reflected here. Overall crime has decreased by 2.8% headed by significant reductions in the various crimes of Rape, Aggravated Assault and Burglary.

At this point I wish to give credit to all the members of the police department for their outstanding service during the year, and to acknowledge the fine cooperation extended by the Mayor's Traffic Safety Committee, the various public-spirited civic groups, the local press and radio and the thousands of citizens of the city in their continuous efforts to assist us in keeping the accident toll to a minimum.

IN CITY COUNCIL

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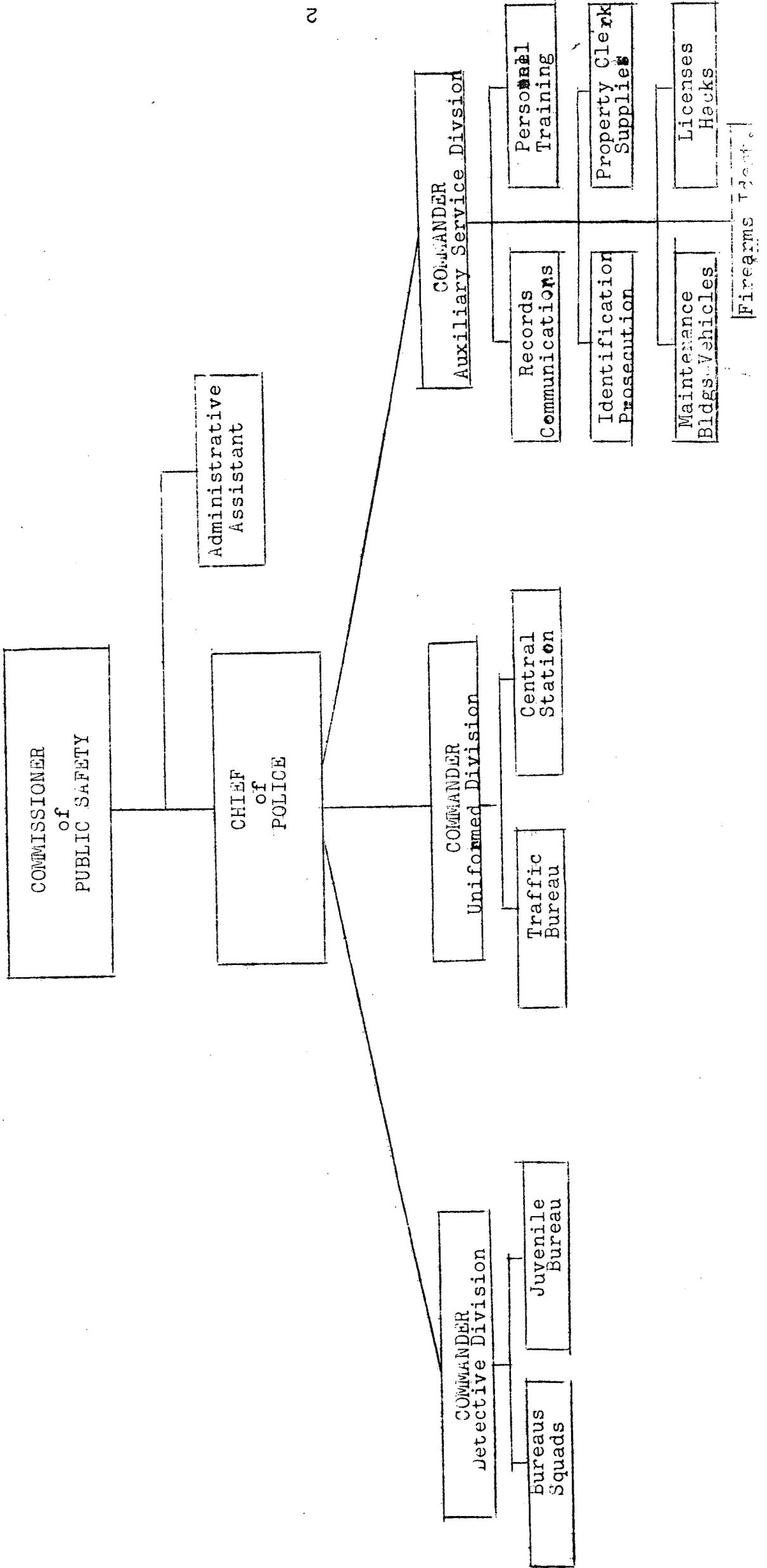
WHEREUPON IT IS ORDERED THAT
THE SAME BE RECEIVED.

D. Everett Whelan
CLERK

Respectfully submitted,

John A. Murphy
JOHN A. MURPHY
Chief of Police

ORGANIZATION CHART
 PROVIDENCE POLICE DEPARTMENT
 PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND



COMMANDING OFFICERS
PROVIDENCE POLICE DEPARTMENT

JOHN A. MURPHYCHIEF OF POLICE
WALTER E. STONE.....COMMANDER OF DETECTIVES
GEORGE E. O'DOWD.....COMMANDER OF UNIFORMED DIVISION
WILLIAM T. HOLT.....COMMANDER, AUXILIARY SERVICES DIVISION

BUREAU COMMANDERS
DETECTIVE DIVISION
WALTER E. STONE

WALTER E. STONE, Commander..... Detective Bureau
WILLIAM E. MAY, Lieutenant..... Juvenile Bureau

UNIFORMED DIVISION
GEORGE E. O'DOWD

WILLIAM R. BOWEN, Captain..... Traffic Bureau
THOMAS P. DUNN, Captain..... Central Precinct
JAMES J. HEALEY, Captain..... Central Precinct
ALEXANDER ST. PIERRE, Captain..... Central Precinct

AUXILIARY SERVICES DIVISION
WILLIAM T. HOLT

HOWARD A. FRANKLIN, Captain.....Records & Communication
GEORGE W. WILDING, Lieutenant.....Personnel & Training
WILLIAM F. McTERNAN, Lieutenant.....Amusement Inspector
JOSEPH BARRA, Sergeant.....Central Complaint
WILLIAM A. LEONARD, Sergeant.....License Enforcement
WALTER J. CAHILL, Sergeant.....Bureau Criminal Ident.
NOEL C. PINNEY, Sergeant.....Firearms Identification
NORMAN PEGG, Ptlm.....Accident Prevention
FRANK MULDOWNNEY, Ptlm.....Maintenance Super'nt
JOHN J. McKENNA, Sergeant.....Prosecution

SUPERIOR OFFICERS
PROVIDENCE POLICE DEPARTMENT

JOHN A. MURPHY, Chief of Police

DETECTIVE DIVISION

WALTER E. STONE, Commander

Detective Bureau

Walter E. Stone, Commander
Peter H. Osterman, Captain
Thomas B. Healey, Lieutenant
Leo T. Burns, Lieutenant
Charles A. McElroy, Lieutenant
Clarence L. Nadeau, Lieutenant

Norman F. Cox, Sergeant
John M. Crowley, Sergeant
William Cummings, Sergeant
William Greigo, Sergeant
Francis C. Spicola, Sergeant

SUPERIOR OFFICERS
Juvenile Bureau
PROVIDENCE POLICE DEPARTMENT

William E. May, Lieutenant
JOHN A. MURPHY, George W. Lonegan, Sergeant
Leo F. Hanley, Sergeant

DETECTIVE DIVISION

WALTER E. STONE, Commander

Detective Bureau
Uniformed Division

Walter E. Stone, Commander
GEORGE E. O'DOWD, Captain
Peter H. Osterman, Captain
Thomas B. Healey, Lieutenant
Leo T. Burns, Lieutenant
Charles A. McElroy, Lieutenant
Clarence L. Nadeau, Lieutenant

Captain
Thomas P. Dunn

Lieutenants
Kenneth J. Durrell
Ralph E. Lord
John F. Tiernan

Sergeants
George P. Blessing
Francis J. Cunningham
Charles F. Gornley
John J. Kilduff
Joseph W. Neil
Patrick J. Powers
Bertest E. Smith
William A. Tocher
John F. Zubiago

James J. Healey
Norman F. Cox, Sergeant
John M. Crowley, Sergeant
William Cummings, Sergeant
William Greigo, Sergeant
Francis C. Spicola, Sergeant

Sergeants
Irving C. Bucklin
John F. Deignan
John A. Hart
Harry J. Lonergan
James C. Neill
Leo P. Russell
Vincent Storti
Leo P. Tranbukis

Captain
Alexander St. Pierre

Lieutenants
Thomas J. Gorman
Leo F. Meagher

Sergeants
Severino Cipolla
William J. Dorgan
Thomas W. Kiernan
Charles A. Lyons
Thomas J. O'Rourke
George M. Shea
Leo Thornton
Raymond Waldraff

Traffic Bureau

Captain

William R. Bowen

Lieutenant

James C. Comer

Lieutenant

Kevin P. McCarthy

Lieutenant

Morris Stepak

Sergeants

Alton T. Leonard
Walter A. McQueeney
John L. Eddy

Sergeants

John J. Lucey
Stanley Andrukiewicz
Charles V. McCormick

Sergeants

Donald K. Knight
Joseph L. Burns

Amusement Inspector

The following is a report of the Amusement Inspector's office for '54

There has been in operation regularly 14 theaters, two others at different times, also attractions at R.I. Auditorium, R.I. School of Design and Veterans Memorial Auditorium.

Motion pictures, dramatic and vaudeville have been presented. In theaters showing motion pictures reports of their rating as to audience entertainment was received from the National Board of Review of Motion Pictures, National Legion of Decency, and the trade papers of Variety and Motion Picture Herald. All of these reviews are numerically and alphabetically classified and on file in the library in this office.

During the year two American made pictures, were refused approval for showing, due to the subject matter that they contained. Fourteen foreign made films were looked at during a private showing by this office and with the agreement of the owners or managers of the theaters that desired to show them no application was made to show them.

997 applications for licenses for theatres were approved. 102 applications for permits as allowed by law were approved for societies, churches and schools. Numerous Class B. places held entertainments in which the applications were approved and many of the performances seen. Offensive magazines and comic books that were complained of were read and seen and with the co-operation of the wholesale distributors of them they were removed from the news stands.

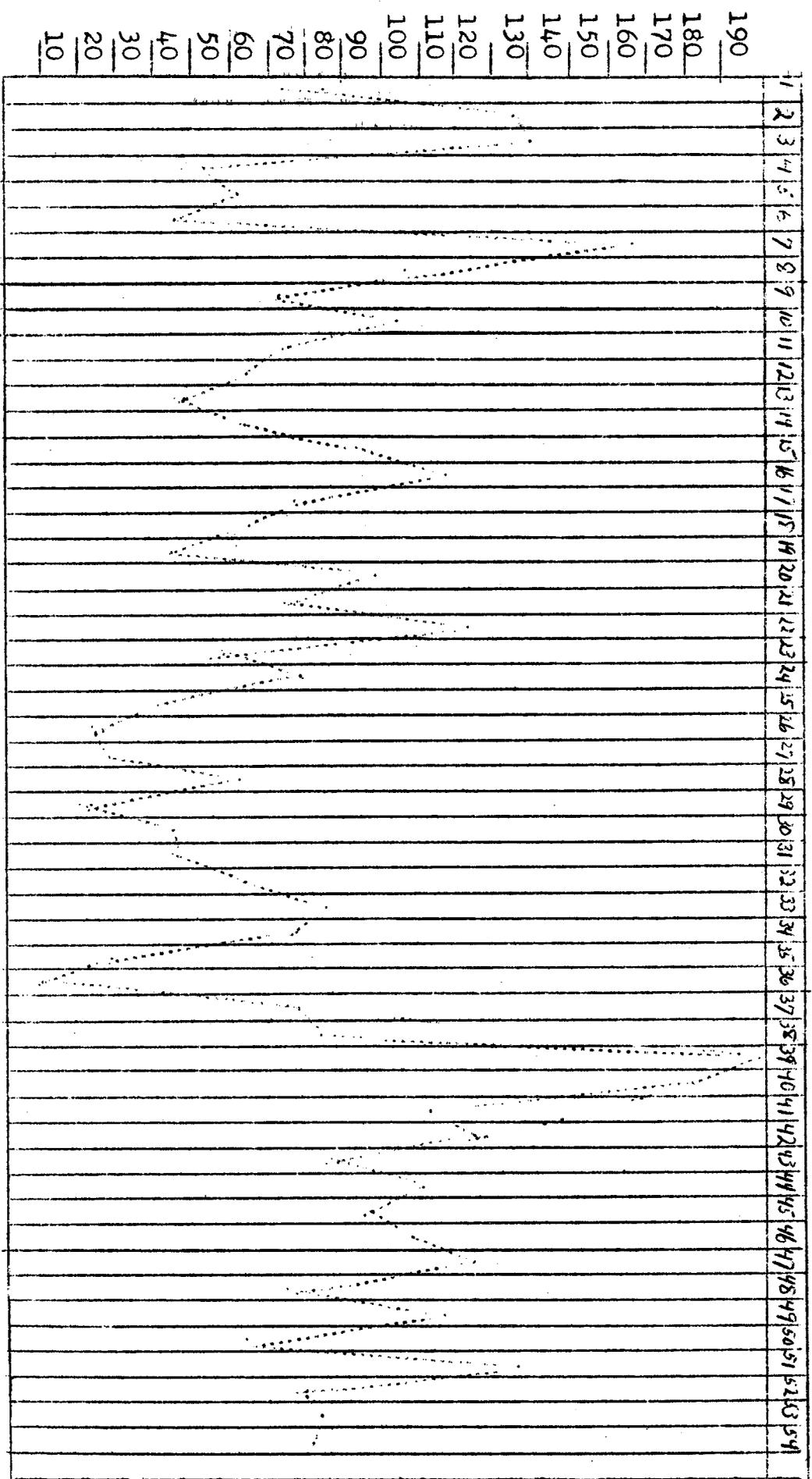
The necessary visits to see any objectionable motion pictures, dramatic shows of vaudeville acts were made by this office.

Hackney Licenses

Hackney Drivers Licenses approved.....547
Hackney Motor Vehicles approved.....202
Trucking licenses approved.....328
Fourteen undesirable applications were refused.
Four Hackney Drivers licenses were suspended during the year for violations
56 Hackney Drivers were warned of minor violations during the year

OFFENSES REPORTED TO THE POLICE
BY POST

January 1st to December 31st 1954



ACTUAL OFFENSES AND CLEARANCES
January 1st to December 31st 1953 - 1954

1953 OFFENSE	JAN		FEB		MAR		APR		MAY		JUN		JUL		AUG		SEP		OCT		NOV		DEC		
	R	C	R	C	R	C	R	C	R	C	R	C	R	C	R	C	R	C	R	C	R	C	R	C	
MURDER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
MANSLAUGHTER	2	2	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
RAPE	2	1	5	5	3	3	3	3	2	1	0	1	4	3	1	1	5	5	2	2	2	2	2	4	3
ROBBERY	8	3	5	2	3	0	4	1	3	2	2	0	4	1	5	0	4	3	6	3	7	7	4	3	0
A.D.W.	3	4	5	6	7	1	3	1	10	10	7	5	10	7	6	5	12	8	6	3	10	7	9	9	9
BURGLARY	104	43	102	31	106	17	113	28	123	28	78	24	110	55	121	39	105	31	101	24	96	56	128	18	18
LARCENY	138	46	134	42	185	42	213	43	214	45	196	27	173	36	185	15	205	42	256	32	223	32	233	20	20
AUTO THEFT	50	38	61	25	57	20	43	17	50	7	34	6	22	3	44	4	41	5	60	11	49	5	41	10	10
TOTAL	307	137	312	111	362	84	380	94	403	94	320	66	323	105	362	64	372	94	432	76	388	106	418	60	60
1954																									
MURDER	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
MANSLAUGHTER	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
RAPE	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	4	4	1	1	5	5	1	1	4	4	0	0	0	1	1
ROBBERY	2	2	7	3	4	1	5	3	4	1	5	4	6	2	5	2	6	2	3	0	5	4	4	2	2
A.D.W.	6	4	5	4	4	3	9	7	5	3	9	9	7	8	4	3	1	1	5	4	9	7	9	8	8
BURGLARY	104	58	102	19	118	47	103	37	96	30	99	21	121	13	129	16	85	4	84	34	95	86	99	68	68
LARCENY	152	75	189	41	215	27	220	39	234	44	165	25	189	26	163	38	180	21	250	38	228	57	187	124	124
AUTO THEFT	47	30	50	10	59	7	27	10	40	8	26	8	28	9	27	2	39	5	36	4	66	15	41	11	11
TOTAL	314	171	354	78	404	88	367	99	384	91	308	71	352	59	333	66	312	34	382	84	404	170	342	214	214

COMPARISON OF OFFENSES

January 1st to December 31st 1953-1954

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENSES	1953	1954
MURDER	3	4
MANSLAUGHTER.....	7	4
*RAPE.....	33	26
ROBBERY.....	54	56
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT.....	88	73
BURGLARY.....	1287	1235
LARCENY.....	2355	2372
AUTO THEFT.....	552	486
TOTAL.....	4379	4256

*Included in this category are Carnal Knowledge Cases

FORCIBLE RAPE.....	2
CARNAL KNOWLEDGE.....	24

COMPARISON OF CLEARANCES

January 1st to December 31st 1953-1954

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENSES	PERCENT CLEARANCE	
	1 9 5 3	1 9 5 4
MURDER.....	100.	75.
MANSLAUGHTER.....	86.	75.
RAPE.....	91.	96.1
ROBBERY.....	35.	46.4
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	75.	83.5
BURGLARY.....	31.	35.
LARCENY	17.	23.4
AUTO THEFT.....	27.	24.4
TOTAL	25.	28.7

TABLE OF OFFENSES KNOWN TO THE POLICE AND VALUE OF PROPERTY
STOLEN

January 1st to December 31st 1954

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENSES	ACTUAL OFFENSES	VALUE OF PROPERTY STOLEN
1. CRIMINAL HOMICIDE		
a. Murder & Non-Negligent Mnsltr	4	
b. Manslaughter by Negligence	4	
TOTAL.....	8	
2. RAPE		
a. Forcible.....	2	
b. Statutory.....	24	
TOTAL.....	26	
3. ROBBERY		
a. Highway.....	23	\$ 4,247.
b. Miscellaneous.....	33	\$ 9,229.
TOTAL.....	56	\$ 13,476.
4. BURGLARY (Breaking & Entering)		
a. Residence.....	349	\$ 64,368.
b. Non-Residence(store-Office)..	886	\$ 125,806.
TOTAL.....	1235	\$ 190,174.
5. LARCENY		
a. \$50. & over in value.....	604	\$ 116,735.
b. \$5. to \$50. in value.....	1533	\$ 22,344.
c. Under \$5. in value.....	235	\$ 374.
TOTAL.....	2372	\$ 139,454.
6. AUTO THEFT		
a. Joy Riding.....	405	\$ 325,320.
b. All Other.....	81	\$ 94,034.
TOTAL.....	486	\$ 419,355.
5x NATURE OF LARCENIES IN ITEM 5		
a. Purse Snatching.....	42	\$ 3,473.
b. Pocket-picking.....	31	\$ 563.
c. Shoplifting.....	96	\$ 1,654.
d. Thefts from Auto.....	416	\$ 32,990.
e. Auto Accessories.....	697	\$ 13,498.
f. Bicycles.....	353	\$ 12,634.
g. All Other.....	737	\$ 74,640.
TOTAL.....	2372	\$ 139,454.

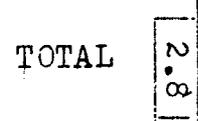
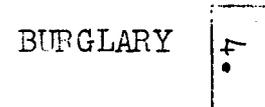
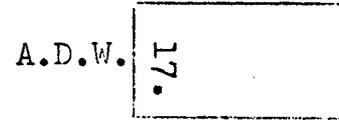
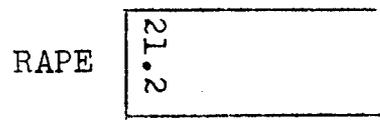
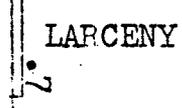
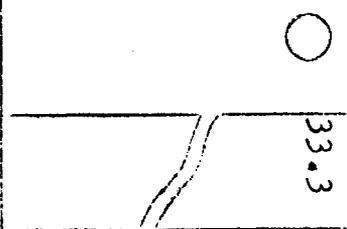
OFFENSES KNOWN TO THE POLICE

PROVIDENCE, R. I.

PERCENT CHANGE

1953 1954

1953 CRIME LEVEL



COMPARISON OF CRIMINAL OFFENSES
 JAN - JUN 1954
 Cities in the 200,000-300,000
 population group

CITY	POPULATION	MURDER	ROBBERY	A.D.W.	BURGLARY	LARCENY OVER \$50.	LARCENY UNDER \$50.	AUTO THEFT	TOTAL
AKRON, OHIO	273,139	1	141	116	718	267	1458	332	3033
BIRMINGHAM, ALA	298,720	23	77	137	1195	468	1090	277	3267
DAYTON, OHIO	243,108	10	79	84	370	150	743	207	1643
FORT WORTH, TEXAS	277,047	27	104	120	1036	225	2200	513	4225
LONG BEACH, CALIF	244,072	4	146	113	1326	---	1871	454	3914
MIAMI, FLORIDA	246,983	10	232	168	1911	623	1644	466	5054
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA	242,450	6	45	76	941	695	1431	318	3512
OMAHA, NEBRASKA	247,408	5	58	44	369	135	1016	306	1933
RICHMOND, VA	229,906	20	106	121	583	447	1401	471	3149
PROVIDENCE, R.I.	247,700	3	27	38	622	308	867	249	2114
AVERAGE	255,053	10.9	101.5	101.7	907.1	368.	1372.1	359.3	3184.4

TABLE COMPARING THE VALUE OF PROPERTY STOLEN IN PROVIDENCE
WITH THE NATIONAL AVERAGE

CLASSIFICATION	Number of Offenses	Value of Property stolen	Average Value per Offense PROVIDENCE 1 9 5 4	Average Value per Offense NATIONAL 1 9 5 3
ROBBERY	56	\$ 13,476.	\$ 240.	\$ 222.
BURGLARY	1235	190,174.	\$ 154.	\$ 163.
LARCENY	2372	139,454.	\$ 58.	\$ 76.
AUTO THEFT	486	419,355.	\$ 862.	1038.
TOTAL	4149	\$ 762,459.	\$ 183.	223.

TYPE OF PROPERTY	Value of Property Stolen	Value of Property Recovered	Percent Recovered PROVIDENCE	Percent Recovered NATIONAL
CURRENCY	\$ 89,212.	\$ 6,313.	7.1	11.7
JEWELRY	\$ 72,988.	\$ 5,457.	7.4	12.5
FURS	\$ 21,531.	\$ 300.	1.4	4.6
CLOTHING	\$ 23,370.	\$ 2,643.	11.3	11.
AUTO THEFT	\$ 419,355.	\$399,034.	95.1	92.3
MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 136,002.	\$ 35,835.	26.3	25.3
TOTAL	\$ 762,461.	\$449,585.	58.9	59.3

ARRESTS BY PRECINCTS AND DIVISIONS

January 1st to December 31st

1954

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENSES	CENTRAL PRECINCT	TRAFFIC DIVISION	DETECTIVE DIVISION	JUVENILE DIVISION	TOTAL
HOMICIDE					
A.	0	0	3	0	3
B.	0	2	1	0	3
RAPE.....	3	0	10	9	22
ROBBERY.....	1	0	25	8	34
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	18	0	20	7	45
BURGLARY.....	29	0	55	177	261
LARCENY	36	0	91	268	395
AUTO THEFT.....	0	0	18	98	116
ASSAULTS	64	1	17	67	149
FORGERY.....	0	0	10	0	10
EMBEZZLEMENT & FRAUD ...	0	0	33	2	35
REC.STOLEN PROPERTY.....	2	0	18	4	24
ILL.POSSESSION WEAPONS..	18	1	10	5	34
PROSTITUTION & VICE.....	13	0	3	0	16
SEX OFFENSES.....	86	0	22	29	137
OFFENSES AGAINST FAMILY.	3	0	2	35	40
VIO.NARCOTIC DRUG LAWS..	0	0	7	0	7
VIO.LIQUOR LAWS.....	6	0	0	0	6
DRUNKENNESS.....	3262	36	1	11	3310
DISORDERLY CONDUCT.....	146	3	5	289	443
VAGRANCY.....	6	0	3	0	9
GAMBLING.....	26	0	40	0	78
DRUNKEN DRIVING....	31	44	0	0	75
23-VIO.DRIVING LAWS	5208	6820	0	173	12201
PARKING VIOLATIONS	4235	4072	0	0	8307
25-VIOL. MOTOR LAWS	307	366	1	46	720
ALL OTHER OFFENSES.	92	109	121	664	986
SUSP-INVESTIGATION	2	0	0	0	2
TOTAL.....	12 13594	11454	516	1892	27468

COMPARISON OF ARRESTS

January 1st to December 31st
1953 --- 1954

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENSES	1 9 5 3	1 9 5 4
MURDER.....	3	3
MANS LAUGHTER.....	6	3
RAPE.....	27	22
ROBBERY.....	21	34
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT.....	44	45
BURGLARY... (B&E).....	255	261
LARCENY.....	345	395
AUTO THEFT.....	115	116
ASSAULT.....	129	149
FORGERY.....	10	10
EMBEZZLEMENT.....	40	35
ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF STOLEN PROPERTY.....	42	24
ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF WEAPONS.....	29	34
PROSTITUTION & COMMERCIALIZED VICE.....	6	16
SEX OFFENSES.....	149	137
OFFENSES AGAINST THE FAMILY.....	27	40
VIOLATION NARCOTIC DRUG LAWS.....	1	7
VIOLATION LIQUOR LAWS.....	6	6
DRUNKENNESS.....	3546	3310
DISORDERLY CONDUCT.....	605	443
VAGRANCY.....	26	9
GAMBLING.....	58	78
DRUNKEN DRIVING.....	55	75
VIOLATION DRIVING LAWS (Moving violations)	9247	12201
PARKING VIOLATIONS.....	8032	8307
VIOLATION MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS (Non-Moving)	708	720
ALL OTHER OFFENSES.....	1041	986
SUSPICION.....	14	2
TOTAL.....	24587	27468

ARRESTS BY MONTH

1954

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
MURDER	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
MANSLAUGHTER	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RAPE	1	0	1	3	3	3	1	6	1	3	0	0
ROBBERY	1	3	1	6	2	3	3	5	1	1	6	2
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	4	2	2	3	3	5	6	3	1	3	6	7
BURGLARY	17	12	40	21	21	26	20	17	14	23	31	19
LARCENY	14	37	23	34	22	36	27	35	21	36	55	55
AUTO THEFT	11	13	13	7	10	4	8	3	12	10	15	10
ASSAULT	10	6	16	8	15	17	3	6	7	32	19	10
FORGERY	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	1
EMBEZZLEMENT & FRAUD	3	1	1	7	2	2	4	4	6	0	3	2
REC. STOLEN PROPERTY	1	2	3	0	3	3	2	3	4	1	0	2
ILL. POSS. WEAPONS	0	0	3	4	1	4	6	0	2	3	7	4
PROSTITUTION & VICE	0	5	3	0	0	2	0	6	0	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSES	12	7	15	7	16	14	1	19	7	27	8	4
OFFENSES AGNST FMLY	3	3	3	1	4	4	1	6	5	3	4	3
VIOL NARCOTIC DRUG LAW	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	4
DRUNKENNESS	210	233	250	278	345	325	350	300	315	289	218	197
VIOL LIQUOR LAWS	0	1	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	27	21	69	22	67	40	28	32	38	42	33	24
VAGRANCY	0	0	2	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
GAMBLING	4	7	5	3	6	3	22	8	5	5	3	7
DRUNKEN DRIVING	5	10	6	6	9	3	7	3	4	9	5	0
VIOL. DRIVING LAWS	1200	984	1351	1143	841	999	1023	972	1081	773	815	1019
PARKING VIOLATIONS	717	951	903	629	675	621	690	599	446	628	757	691
VIO. M.V. LAWS	37	41	59	57	70	72	61	63	43	94	70	53
ALL OTHER OFFENSES	56	60	119	99	99	97	74	73	72	83	89	65
SUSP-INVESTIGATION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
TOTAL	2334	2401	2895	2344	2215	2283	2340	2163	2086	2068	2149	2190

ARRESTS BY DAY OF THE WEEK

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CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENSES	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	TOTAL
HOMICIDE								
A	1	2						3
B			1	1			1	3
RAPE	1	6	4	0	4	2	5	22
ROBBERY	13	3	3	8	1	5	1	34
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	7	7	6	6	6	9	4	45
BURGLARY (B&E)	22	28	37	37	59	36	42	261
LARCENY	36	46	71	63	58	60	61	395
AUTO THEFT	9	16	20	25	13	20	13	116
ASSAULT	14	28	13	22	17	30	25	149
FORGERY	2	1	1	1	1	0	4	10
EMBEZZLEMENT & FRAUD	1	7	3	6	5	9	4	35
ILL.POSS.STOLEN PPTY	6	1	3	3	6	3	2	24
ILL.POSS.WEAPONS	7	2	2	2	4	9	8	34
PROSTITUTION & VICE	0	4	6	1	2	1	2	16
SEX OFFENSES	17	23	22	12	25	19	19	137
OFF.AGAINST FAMILY	5	7	6	7	10	2	3	40
VIO.NARCOTIC DRUG LAW	0	0	0	0	3	4	0	7
VIO.LIQUOR LAWS	4	0	0	0	0	1	1	6
DRUNKENNESS	313	345	323	373	496	671	789	3310
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	60	41	68	48	62	80	84	443
VAGRANCY	1	1	0	0	4	0	3	9
GAMBLING	3	10	10	9	14	14	18	78
DRUNKEN DRIVING	12	4	11	5	18	10	15	75
23-VIO.DRIVING LAWS	115	1720	1540	2687	1821	1987	2331	12201
PARKING VIOLATIONS								8307
25-MOTOR LAW VIOL.	86	94	87	106	105	95	147	720
ALL OTHER OFFENSES	78	174	172	127	159	136	140	986
SUSP-INVESTIGATION	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
TOTAL	813	2570	2409	3549	2895	3203	3722	27468

COMPARISON OF JUVENILE ARRESTS

January 1st to December 31st 1953-1954

UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENSES	TOTAL ARRESTS 1953	TOTAL ARRESTS 1954	JUVENILE COURT REFERRALS 1954
MURDER.....	0	0	0
MANSLAUGHTER.....	0	0	0
RAPE.....	7	9	7
ROBBERY.....	4	8	8
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	4	7	5
BURGLARY (B&E).....	185	177	120
LARCENY	241	268	111
AUTO THEFT.....	87	98	77
ASSAULT.....	41	67	25
FORGERY.....	0	0	0
EMBEZZLEMENT.....	1	2	2
ILLEGAL POSSESSION STOLEN PPTY.	15	4	4
ILLEGAL POSSESSION WEAPONS.....	2	5	1
PROSTITUTION & VICE.....	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSES.....	37	29	21
OFFENSES AGAINST FAMILY.....	27	35	35
VIOLATION NARCOTIC DRUG LAWS..	0	0	0
DRUNKENNESS.....	3	11	3
DISORDERLY CONDUCT.....	441	289	23
VAGRANCY.....	0	0	0
GAMBLING.....	0	0	0
DRUNKEN DRIVING.....	0	0	0
VIOLATION DRIVING LAWS (moving)	209	173	144
PARKING VIOLATIONS.....	0	0	0
VIOL. MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS ^{Non-} Moving	94	46	28
ALL OTHER OFFENSES.....	776	664	130
to TOTAL.....	2174	1892	744

AGE, SEX, AND RACE OF PERSONS ARRESTED

1954

CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENSES	SEX	AGE											
		UDR 15	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
MURDER	M						1					1	
	F												
MANSLAUGHTER	M												
	F												
RAPE	M			3	1	1	1		3	1	2		
	F												
ROBBERY	M			5	3	3	6	3	2	4			
	F												
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	M	2	1	3		1	1		2	2	2	1	
	F						1						
BURGLARY (B&E)	M	127	20	19	9	11	10	9	3	7	4	9	
	F	2					2	1					
LARCENY	M	132	44	24	13	8	9	4	4	6	5	4	
	F	26	16	8	4		1	2	4	2	1		
AUTO THEFT	M	24	31	25	18	3	2		1	1	1	1	
	F												
ASSAULT	M	20	9	11	7	2	6	5	2		6	6	
	F	3	6	6	5	1		1					
FORGERY	M								1	1	3		2
	F												
EMBEZZLEMENT	M			2					1	1		4	
	F									2			
ILL.POSS.STOLEN PPTY.	M	2	2							1			2
	F												
ILL.POSS.WEAPONS	M	1	1	2	1	3	2	1	2	3	1	1	
	F												
PROSTITUTION & VICE	M					1	1		1		1		
	F												
SEX OFFENSES	M	1	2	2		1		1	4	5	3	2	
	F	6	5	6	2	3	4	4	3		5	2	
OFFENSES AGAINST FMLY	M							1			3	3	
	F										2	1	
VIO.NARCOTIC DRUG LAW	M						1	1		2			
	F												
VIOI.LIQUOR LAWS	M												
	F												
DRUNKENNESS	M		1	2	7	16	16	36	48	52	65	40	
	F				1	1	3	7	14	4	8	15	
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	M	131	38	57	39	15	10	9	16	6	13	7	
	F	20	5	3	5			1	1	2		1	
VAGRANCY	M								1				
	F				1		1		1				
GAMBLING	M												1
	F												
DRUNKEN DRIVING	M							1	1	1	3		
	F												
SUSPICION	M					1				1			
	F												
ALL OTHER (except traffic)	M	285	57	34	35	9	10	8	12	8	18	9	
	F	87	47	33	46	1			1	3			
TOTALS		869	285	245	197	81	88	97	129	116	148	103	

AGE, SEX, AND RACE OF PERSONS ARRESTED
1954

CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENSES	SEX	AGE						RACE		
		25 29	30 34	35 39	40 44	45 49	OVER 50	TOTAL	WHITE	OTHER
MURDER	M							2		
	F		1					1		3
MANSLAUGHTER	M	2						2		
	F			1				1	3	
RAPE	M	2	3	1	1	1	2	22	14	8
	F									
ROBBERY	M	3	3	1	1			34	29	5
	F									
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	M	8	7	4	5		3	42	19	26
	F	1		1				3		
BURGLARY (B&E)	M	8	8	5	2	3		254	215	46
	F	1		1				7		
LARCENY	M	16	13	1	4	3	16	306	337	58
	F	6	7	5	1	2	4	89		
AUTO THEFT	M	4	4	1				116	97	19
	F									
ASSAULT	M	18	12	9	2	4	7	126	111	38
	F		1					23		
FORGERY	M		2			1		10	9	1
	F									
EMBEZZLEMENT	M	8	4	3	2	3	2	30	34	1
	F	1					2	5		
ILL. POSS. STOLEN PPTY	M	1	1	4	5	2	1	21	19	5
	F				2		1	3		
ILL. POSS. WEAPONS	M	2	9		2		2	33	25	9
	F					1		1		
PROSTITUTION & VICE	M	2			1			4	6	10
	F	3	1		3	1		12		
SEX OFFENSES	M	21	11	5	6	4	3	71	96	41
	F	6	9	5	3	1	2	66		
OFFENSES AGAINST FMLY	M	7	5	7	5	4		35	26	14
	F	2						5		
VIO. NARCOTIC DRUG LAW	M	1	2					7	4	3
	F									
VIO. LIQUOR LAWS	M				1		4	5	4	2
	F						1	1		
DRUNKENNESS	M	330	306	307	368	338	987	2919	2858	452
	F	81	53	47	56	47	54	391		
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	M	29	13	7	4	2	3	399	387	57
	F	2		1	1	2	1	45		
VAGRANCY	M							1	8	1
	F	2	1	1				3		
GAMBLING	M	1	15	9	14	12	24	76	66	12
	F			1			1	2		
DRUNKEN DRIVING	M	13	14	13	10	4	13	73	64	11
	F		1	1				2		
SUSPICION	M							2	1	1
	F									
ALL OTHER (except traff)	M	65	62	49	37	29	34	761	868	118
	F	2		1	3	1		225		
TOTAL		648	568	491	539	466	1166	6241	5300	941

ACTIVITIES OF THE BUREAU OF CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION

January 1st. to December 31, 1954.

PERSONS FINGERPRINTED:

CRIMINAL.....1978
 Copies to F.B.I.....1671
 Copies to State BCI....1328

NON CRIMINAL

Hackney license..... 72
 Police Constable..... 35
 Private operators..... 48
 Pistol Permits..... 22
 Civil Service..... 316
 Gov't.loyalty check... 735
 Civil Air Patrol..... 97
 Immigration Auth..... 381
 Miscellaneous.....1200

PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN:

CRIMINALS (male)..... 663
 CRIMINALS (female).... 246
 CRIMINALS (full lgth) 55

ALL OTHER:

Accidents (fatal)..... 92
 accidents (property).. 140
 Autopsy..... 117
 Boogie raids..... 36
 Insur. scenes..... 35
 arson..... 18
 Crime scenes..... 158
 Stolen ppty.recovered.. 39
 Public relations..... 213
 Miscellaneous.....1300

PICTURES SUPPLIED TO OTHER

POLICE DEPARTMENTS AND
 GOV'T. AGENCIES.....3330

LAUNDERERS AND CLEANERS CIRCULARIZED... 350

MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES:

a. Crime scenes investigated
 for fingerprints..... 294
 b. Fingerprints developed
 at crime scenes..... 41
 c. Cases cleared by latent
 fingerprints..... 8
 d. Laundry mark identifications
 made..... 39
 e. Fingerprints disclosing
 previous arrests..... 6
 f. Unknown dead identified.. 7
 g. Files checked for records
 for Police Depts.Gov't.
 Agencies, and Defence
 Plants.....26163
 h. Services of B.C.I.per-
 sonnel required at night
 for breaks, special arm.
 accidents etc..... 232

POLYGRAPH:

Subjects examined on
 Polygraph..... 219
 Subjects cleared..... 135
 Subjects implicated as
 result of tests..... 63
 Demonstrations and
 Lectures on Polygraph... 12
 Polygraph examinations
 for other Police Depts.,
 and agencies..... 77

PHOTOSTATS:

Accident, offence reports
 and checks..... 865

BUREAU OF PERSONNEL & TRAINING

Recruit Schools

During the year 1954 two recruit schools were conducted at this division; The Twelfth School, which started April 19, 1954 with a personnel of 31 - Trainees who completed their training October 17, 1954. The Thirteenth School, started September 20, 1954 with a personnel of 26-Trainees and they will complete their training March 20, 1955. This makes a total of 57 men recruited during the year 1954, and as of December 31, 1954 there is a total of 73 vacancies in this category. This large figure is due to the increase in authorized strength necessary for the department to go on a 40 hour week during this fiscal year. Part of these vacancies will be absorbed by the 26 men now in training who will be sworn in as regular members in March 1955. Plans have reached a stage whereupon another recruit school will commence in January and it will be necessary to have another school as soon as possible after that to bring the department up to the authorized strength.

School Crossing Guards

During the year 1954 an examination was conducted to select 10 new crossing guards to bring this unit up to the authorized strength of 60. This test was conducted on January 22, and the response for applications was gratifying by the large number of aspirants for this position. From this list of applicants it was necessary to select 13 more women to replace that number who had resigned throughout the year, either because of illness, family duties or moved from the City. This unit continues to receive high praise for the efficient and capable manner in which they have performed their duties. This is reflected in the confidence the department has in their ability to carry out this important phase of police work by increasing this organization up to the strength it has now reached.

Auxiliary Police and Police Reserves

Once again during this year the Auxiliary Police demonstrated that their members are capable of rendering valuable services to this community during an emergency or a crisis. They responded during Hurricane "Carol" and worked side by side with our regular department for one whole week carrying out many assignments that would have necessitated having our regular men work much longer hours of duty during this catastrophe. During this emergency they were given the opportunity to demonstrate by actual performance what they have been training for and their performance was outstanding. They proved that they are a well organized and drilled complement of men that the city can well be proud of, and all this was accomplished because of the loyalty and interest that these men have in being of service to their community. They increased their personnel by 9 during the past year and now have a total of 38 men outfitted in full uniform. Besides the incident previously mentioned they were on a standby alert during Hurricane "Edna" ready for duty if necessary, and they were detailed on Halloween Eve working in close alliance with the police guarding important business places.

Promotional School

During the year 1954 a promotional school was conducted for Patrolmen seeking to be promoted to the rank of Sergeant. A series of examinations were conducted to certify 20 men from the list of original applicants of 96 to attend this school. The first examination was an "I. U. S." examination was a written test on department rules and simulated cases applying city ordinances and state laws, and the final test an oral examination conducted by an impartial group from out-of-town. From the list of 20 men selected to attend this school and who were later certified for promotion, they were sworn in as a body and promoted to the rank of Sergeant October 3, 1954.

Firearms Training

The new Pistol Range was completed during 1954 and was formally dedicated with appropriate ceremonies by city officials during the early part of July. Harvey G. Foster, FBI Agent, from Boston, put on a demonstration which brought into focus the value of having a range where our men could practice and increase their efficiency. This has already been proven by the increase in the number of men who qualified this past year which showed a 12% increase over last year. This is gratifying in view of the fact that it indicates that this department can boast of the fact that the personnel charged with public protection is receiving adequate and proper instruction at a well equipped and modern police range.

Twelfth Recruit School started April 19, 1954 and the course of training was completed October 17, 1954. The following are statistics relative to this school:

I	<u>Applications accepted</u>		118
II	<u>Rejections</u>		
	(a) Failed to pass qualifying examinations	24	
	(b) Rejected because of Police record	4	
	(c) Non-resident	<u>1</u>	29
III	<u>Other causes for Failure to be Admitted</u>		
	(a) Failed to furnish eligibility (30 days)	18	
	(b) Withdrew before qualifying Examination	2	
	(c) Failed to appear for Qualifying Examination	20	
	(d) Not certified after Oral Examination	<u>18</u>	58
IV	Candidates accepted for training		<u>31</u>
		Total	118

I	Average Age	24.6 years
II	Average Height	70.3 inches
III	Average Weight	172 pounds
IV	Scholastic Attainment	11.4 yrs. High School

Thirteenth Recruit School, started September 20, 1954 and their course of training will be terminated March 20, 1955. The following are statistics relative to this school:

I	<u>Applications accepted</u>		87
II	<u>Rejections</u>		
	(a) Failed to pass I. C. test	9	
	(b) Not certified after oral examination	18	
	(c) Failed to pass Physical Examination	2	
	(d) Rejected after Psychiatric Examination	<u>2</u>	31
III	<u>Other Causes for Failure to be Admitted</u>		
	(a) Failed to furnish Eligibility (30 days)	4	
	(b) Withdrew before qualifying examinations	5	
	(c) Failed to appear for qualifying examinations	17	
	(d) Failed to process application	<u>4</u>	30
IV	Candidates Accepted for Training		<u>26</u>
		Total	87

I	Average Age	25.2	Years
II	Average Height	70.7	inches
III	Average Weight	176	pounds
IV	Scholastic Attainment	11.3 yrs.	High School

School Crossing Guards: January 22, 1954 an examination was held for the position of school crossing guard, and 10 were selected for this position to bring the number of guards up to the authorized strength of 60. The following statistics relate to the processing of applications for this position.

Applications Received -----		101
I Rejections		
(a) Failed to meet minimum height requirement-----	3	
(b) Applicants Overweight -----	10	
(c) Physically handicapped -----	2	
(d) Applicants underweight -----	<u>6</u>	21
II		
(a) Failed to Process Application -----	12	
(b) Failed to appear of Qualifying Examination	13	
(c) Failed to pass Qualifying Examination	<u>45</u>	70
III accepted for Appointment ----- 10 <u>10</u>		
	Total	101

Promotional School

A promotional school was held for patrolmen seeking to be promoted to the rank of sergeant. This course started February 15, 1954 and terminated March 6, 1954. The following are statistics relative to this school.

applications received		101
applications Withdrawn	<u>5</u>	96
No. of Patrolmen who took " I.Q." Examination		96
Patrolmen who failed " I. Q." Examination		43
Patrolmen who passed the " I.Q. " Examination	<u>53</u>	96
Patrolmen who took the written Examination		53
No. of Patrolmen who failed written Examination		23
No. of Patrolmen who passed written Examination	<u>30</u>	53
No. of Patrolmen who took Oral Examination		30
No. of Patrolmen certified for school after Oral Exam.		20
No. of Patrolmen who failed Oral Examination	<u>10</u>	30
Certified for Promotion after attending Promotional School		20

PROMOTIONS

The following promotions were made during the year of 1954:

Promoted from Captain to Commander -----	1
Promoted from Lieutenant to Captain -----	3
Promoted from Sergeant to Lieutenant -----	2
Promoted from Patrolman to Sergeant -----	<u>20</u>
Total	26
List of Sergeants awaiting promotion to rank of Lieutenant --	1
List of Patrolmen awaiting promotion to rank of Sergeant ----	0

AUXILIARY POLICE AND POLICE RESERVES

The following are incidents that the Police Reserves participated in during the year 1954, in which they distinguished themselves creditably by working in close alliance with our police department:

HURRICANE " CAROL " - August 31, - September 8,
(During which time they did traffic duty and guard duty)

HURRICANE " EDNA " - September 18,
(Standby Ready Alert)

Halloween " Eve " Detailed - Willard Ave. Project
(Guard Duty)

Breakdown of strength of both Organizations:

Auxiliary Police and Police Reserves	-----	110
Auxiliary Police	-----	60
Police Reserves	-----	50
(Police Reserves outfitted in full uniform		38

Participation in Patriotic Parades:

The Providence Police Reserves in full uniform participated in the Memorial Day and Armistice Day parades.

CHANGES IN NUMERICAL STRENGTH FOR THE PAST TWO YEARS

1953 - 1954

	<u>1953</u>		<u>1954</u>	
Numerical Strength, January 1st	477		470	
Recruited Policemen	23		57	
Recruited Crossing Guards	<u>11</u>		<u>23</u>	
	511	511	550	550

SEPARATIONS FROM THE SERVICE

(a) Voluntary	7		3	
(b) Retired, accidental Disability	0		3	
(c) Retired on Pension	27		17	
(d) Dismissed for Cause	0		0	
(e) Deceased	5		3	
(f) Crossing Guards resigned	<u>2</u>		<u>13</u>	
Total Separated		<u>41</u>		<u>39</u>
NUMERICAL STRENGTH, December 31st.		470		511

SEPARATIONS ACCORDING TO RANK: Condr. Capt. Lieut. Sergt. Ptlm. Cross. Gds.

(a) Voluntary -----			3	13
(b) Retired on Pension ---	1	3	9	4
(c) Deceased -----		1	1	1
(d) Accidental Disability-			<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>
Total	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>13</u>

24
Grand Total ----- 39

AVERAGE SERVICE AND AGE OF POLICE PERSONNEL

1954

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Number Personnel</u>	<u>Average length of Service in years</u>	<u>Average Age In Years</u>
All Rank	511	10.1	36.1
Captains and above	11	28.3	52.8
Lieutenants	18	25.9	50.8
Sergeants	47	18.1	44.7
Patrolmen	345	9.8	36.1
Policewomen	4	5.7	35.0
Trainees	26	----	25.2
Crossing Guards	60	1.8	36.5

COMMENDATIONS

The following commendations were made during the year 1954:

Lieutenants	-----	1
Sergeants	-----	0
Patrolmen	-----	<u>5</u>
Total	---	6

DISCIPLINARY ACTION

The following is a report of the disciplinary action taken during the year 1954:

Penalized
According to Rank

Patrolmen - 9	<u>Received a total of 1900 Extra Hours of Duty</u>
	Extra hours of duty ----- 8
	Transferred from Post ----- 2
	Loss of Pay ----- 1
	Reprimanded ----- 5

AUTHORIZED & PRESENT STRENGTH OF DEPARTMENT

	<u>Present Strength</u>	<u>Authorized Strength</u>	<u>EXISTING VACANCIES</u>
Chief of Police	1	1	Captain ----- 1
Commanders	3	3	Sergeants ---- 6
Captains	7	8	Patrolmen --- <u>73</u>
Lieutenants	18	18	
Sergeants	47	53	Total -- 80
Patrolmen	345	418	
(Trainees)	26		<u>PERSONNEL IN ARMED SERVICE</u>
Policewomen	4	4	Central Station - 2 Ptlm.
Crossing Guards	<u>60</u>	<u>60</u>	Traffic Division- 1 Ptlm.
	511	565	<u>Other Prolonged Absences</u>

* Vacancies due to increased authorized

INSPECTION OF UNIFORMS

During the periodical inspection of uniforms during the year 1954, the following uniforms were ordered to be replaced:

	<u>1954</u>	<u>1953</u>
Overcoats -----	8	10
Trousers -----	43	33
Dress Blouses -----	11	15
Breeches -----	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>
	67	51

LECTURES

During the year 1954, members of this division lectured to civic organizations, fraternal organizations and various police departments of several cities and towns:

Following is a summary of lectures given:

City and Town Departments of Police ---	2
" " " Auxiliary Police ---	5
Civic & Fraternal Organizations ---	<u>3</u>
	10

INVESTIGATIONS

The following investigations were conducted by this division for the year 1954:

Investigation	Patrolmen not Properly Patrolling Post -----	2
"	Patrolmen Not Serving Court Summons -----	2
"	Complaint: Clothing Torn While on Duty -----	2
"	Police Car Stolen While Officer Taking Complaint -	1
"	Complaint Police Car Seen Outside City Limits -----	1
"	Writs of attachment against Patrolman -----	1
"	Conduct Unbecoming An Officer (Civilian Complaint)	1
"	Accidental Shooting at Warwick Range -----	1
	Total	11

ACCIDENTS INVESTIGATED INVOLVING CITY-OWNED DEPARTMENT VEHICLES

<u>Accidents Involving:</u>	<u>Number of Accidents Investigated</u>	
	1954	1953
Scout Cars	44	45
Cruisers	8	17
Motorcycles	7	14
Passenger Cars (Private Plates)	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>
Total	62	79

ARMORER'S ACTIVITIES

The following is a report of the attendance and qualification of the department for the year 1954.

Total Attendance -----	405
<u>QUALIFICATION:</u>	
Experts -----	110
Sharpshooters -----	98
Marksmen -----	<u>134</u>
Total ---	342 - 84.4%
<u>UNQUALIFIED</u> -----	63 - 15.6%

REPORT OF QUALIFICATION OF 12TH & 13TH RECRUIT SCHOOLS

<u>QUALIFICATION:</u>	
Experts -----	32
Sharpshooters -----	16
Marksmen -----	<u>7</u>
Total ---	55
<u>UNQUALIFIED:</u> -----	2

TESTING APPLICANTS FOR PISTOL PERMITS

During the year of 1954 the following tests were made of applicants seeking to carry a pistol because of the nature of their occupation. This practice is being carried on to determine the feasibility of issuing a permit in order to safeguard the public and not license any applicant who does not meet the requirements or standards relative to safe-handling and use of a pistol.

Applicants processed ----- 85

ARMORER'S ACTIVITIES:

Called by Animal Rescue League to dispose of animal -----	3
Guns, examined, held for evidence or safekeeping -----	30
Department Weapons Repaired: -----	
.38 cal. Service Revolvers Repaired -----	23
.44 cal. Service Revolvers Repaired -----	5
.38 cal. Target Pistol Repaired -----	1
Riot Guns Repaired -----	5
Department Weapons Reconditioned:	
.38 cal. Service Revolvers Reblued -----	150
.38 cal. Service Revolvers, New stocks put on -----	150
(This process insures the department of having practically 150 new revolvers)	
Department Inspections conducted -----	8
Emergency call for Armorer's Vehicle -----	1

During the year 1954 the Junior Police Patrolmen played an important part in the safety education of the school children. At least twice a year each of the 27 parochial schools, and the 62 public elementary and junior high schools were visited and the children given highway safety instructions by the patrolmen.

The Recreation Department sponsored many athletic programs in which the Junior Police Patrolmen entered their respective teams, namely baseball and touch football. The Journal Bulletin, through Mr. Webster Youlden, invited four Junior Police teams to participate in the Journal Bulletin Community Basketball League for Boys.

The North End Junior Police Basketball team, coached by Ptlm. Charles J. Davey, won the Northern Division title in the Journal Bulletin Community Basketball League and were defeated in the ensuing playoff for the Championship of this league by the Providence Boy's Club.

There were four Providence Junior Police Baseball teams organized in conjunction with the Providence Recreation Department program. These teams played numerous games with one another in an intra-playground series. There was no league competition attached to this program. It was a recreation program to teach the fundamentals of baseball.

The Smith Hill Junior Police Football team, coached by Ptlm. Charles J. Davey, and the East Street Recreation Center, were Co-Champions in the Providence Recreation Football League. Both teams had won in their respective divisions, but in the ensuing playoff both teams tied for the title.

South Providence Junior Police, coached by Ptlm. William V. McKenna, lost to the East Street Recreation Center in a playoff of their respective Divisions. The Fox Point and Olneyville Junior Police favored well in the standing also.

During the summer months the Junior Police Camp at Point Judith, R.I. was again in operation for the ninth year. Patrolman Charles J. McCauley acted as Assistant Director of the camp maintaining and supervising 360 needy boys for a 10 week period. He was assisted at different intervals by Ptlm. John J. Flynn, Francis J. Cunningham, and William V. McKenna. Each of these boys was given a two weeks vacation at the seashore. The boys, after being selected by the members of the Juvenile Bureau, were given a complete physical examination by Providence Police Department Surgeon Arthur A. Rattenni and Deputy Joseph A. Parrillo before going to camp. It was noted that these boys gained an average of ten to fifteen pounds while attending camp. This could not have been accomplished if the City Council had not been so generous in appropriating the necessary funds to finance this camp.

On Halloween, the usual parties were given in the six different sections of the City by the members of the Juvenile Bureau.

Since their inception, these parties have proven eminently successful, resulting in a drastic reduction of complaints relative to willful destruction of property which were once so numerous on Halloween.

About 9000 children were provided with refreshments wholesome entertainment and prizes. These children might otherwise have been out on the streets causing damage to property and performing other mischievous pranks.

The success of these parties is due mostly to the generous contributions of food and prizes which were donated by merchants and interested citizens.

BUREAU OF PROSECUTION

Arraignments by month in the Police Court

	DRUNKS	TRAFFIC VIOL.	PARKING VIOL.	DISORDERLY	OTHER VIOL.
January	215	763	813	4	108
February	225	446	827	-	81
March	251	704	1067	26	127
April	269	591	756	4	121
May	341	426	760	15	94
June	311	519	702	10	105
July	344	590	778	5	93
AUGUST	304	591	675	7	75
September	312	724	510	6	114
October	283	314	639	15	93
November	192	438	906	14	84
December	171	530	802	12	89
	<u>3218</u>	<u>6736</u>	<u>9235</u>	<u>118</u>	<u>1184</u>

TRIALS

34 Persons pleaded not guilty to the following charges and after trial 24 were convicted and 10 were found not guilty

	GUILTY	NOT GUILTY
Drunkenness	1	2
Violation Parking Regulations	2	2
Violation Traffic Regulations	16	-
Disorderly Conduct	3	6
Other Violations	2	-
	<u>24</u>	<u>10</u>

During the year 1954, the Bureau of Prosecution issued the following Summonses:

Police Court	25,873
District Court	7,626
Served for out-of-town Police Departments ...	2,063
Served for out-of-state Police Departments...	181
Served for R.I. Unemployment & Sickness	65
	<u>35,808</u>

DISTRICT COURT

There were 6,067 arraignments in the District Court; there were 253 trials, after which there were findings of 220 guilty or probably guilty, and 33 not guilty or probably not guilty.

OFFENSE	GUILTY	NOT GUILTY
Abortion	1	
Accessory	1	
Adultery	2	
Aiding and Assisting Bet	10	6
Assault	36	5
Assault & Robbery	1	
Assault with Dangerous Weapon	13	1
Assault intent to rob	1	
Breaking & Entering Intent to Rape	1	
Breaking & Entering Night time and Larceny	22	2
Burglary	1	
Carnal knowledge	4	
Cause to operate w/o license	1	
Common Drunk	2	
Concealed Weapon-No License	3	
Conspiracy	2	
Defacing Property	2	2
Desertion	1	
Disorderly Person	5	4
Driving off auto	1	
False Alarm Fire	1	
Fornication		2
Fraud	6	
Illegal Sale Liquor	1	

Incest	3	
Indecent Exposure	1	
Keeping House of Ill Fame	1	
Larceny	18	3
Larceny from Person	3	2
Larceny of auto	1	
Leaving Scene	1	
Malicious Mischief	1	
Maintaining Gambling Nuisance	3	
Oper left of Center of Highway	1	
Oper w/o license	1	
Oper w/o license suspended		1
Operating under the influence	10	1
Overloaded truck	2	
Passing Boulevard stop sign	1	1
Passing Signal light	1	
Peeping Tom	1	
Pistol in Vehicle	1	
Possession of Burglar Tools	4	
Possession of Dangerous Weapon	1	
Possession of Lottery	10	
Receiving	6	
Reckless Driving	10	1
Reckless Driving-Death	2	
Resist Arrest	1	
Robbery	5	
Speeders	3	1
Tampering with Telephone	1	
Vagrancy	1	
Violation of Narcotic Laws	1	1

The following cases were presented before the Sixth District Court

Abortion		4
Abortion-Death resulting		1
Accessory	6	6
Adultery		30
Aid and Assist Bet		30
Arson		1
Assault		102
Assault with Dangerous Weapon		38
Assault intent Murder		4
Assault intent Robbery		1
Assault and Robbery		21
Bigamy		2
Breaking & Entering day time and Larceny		10
Breaking & Entering day time intent Larceny		2
Breaking & Entering night time and Larceny		48
Breaking & Entering night time intent Larceny		6
Breaking & Entering night time Dwelling		4
Breaking & Entering night time intent Rape		1
Carnal Knowledge		14
Carnal Knowledge-Attempt		2
Carrying concealed weapon-knife		4
Cause to operate improperly registered		3
Cause to operate w/o a license		20
Common Cheat		2
Common Drunk		65
Concealed weapon -no license		29
Conspiracy		7
Crime against nature		1
Defacing property		25
Defective brakes		44
Desertion		1
Discharge Fireworks		4
Disorderly person		40
Drive off auto		13
Dropping material on highway		3

Embezzlement	1
Entering and Larceny Day time	3
Entering and Larceny night time	4
Evading Payment of Fare	5
Evading Payment of Food	1
False Alarm of Fire	7
False Pretence	10
False Statement to Social Security	1
Förgery	24
Fornication	46
Fugitive from Justice	66
Illegal Possession of Explosives	1
Illegal Possession of Firearms	2
Illegal Sale of Pistol	2
Improperly Registered	182
Incest	3
Indecent Exposure	6
Keeping Intoxication Beverage for Sale	2
Keeping House of Ill Fame	2
Larceny	136
Larceny from Person	10
Larceny of Auto	5
Leaving auto unattended	2
Leaving Scene	36
Lewd & Wanton	1
Maintaining Gambling Nuisance	12
Malicious Mischief	16
Muffler Cut out	7
Murder	3
Obstructing Police Officer	5
Oper left center of highway	1
Operating without a license	390
Operating w/o license-Application refused	9
Operating w/o license Suspended or revoked	84
Operating under the influence	78
overloaded Truck	8
Passing boulevard Stop Sign	47
Passing Signal light	19
Passing School Bus	6
Peeping Tom	1
Pistol in Vehicle	2
Playing Cards and Dice on Sunday	20
Polluting Waters	1
Possession of Burglar Tools	6
Possession of Lottery	55
Second offense Possession of Lottery-	4
Possession of Obscene Pictures	2
Possession of Weapon-Dangerous	2
Procuring Immoral Purposes	1
Put Slug in Telephone	2
Railer and Brawler	1
Rape	3
Receiving	25
Reckless Driving	91
Reckless Driving-Death	4
Resist Arrest	4
Robbery	17
Selling autos with out license	3
Selling fireworks w/o license	3
Selling liquor w/o a license	2
Selling Liquor to a minor	1
Speeders	3880
Tampering with auto	1
Tampering with Telephone	1
Tattooed Minor	4
Threat to kill	1
Throw Glass in Highway	1
Transport for Immoral Purposes	4
Unlawful Carnal Connection	1

LICENSE INVESTIGATION BUREAU

Applications for licenses investigated, all classes ...	14,495
Carnival petitions investigated.....	16
Remonstrances filed and investigated.....	7
Inspections of licensed premises made.....	6,100
Licensees warned for minor violations.....	107
Hearings before the State Liquor Control Administrator.	6
Hearings before Bureau of Licenses.....	47
Hearings before the State Liquor Control Administrator. Licenses suspended after hearing before Bureau of Licenses	26
Licensees found Not Guilty after hearing By Bur.Licenses	2
Licensees reprimanded after hearing by Bureau Licenses	19
License surrendered rather than stand hearing:.....	1

Licenses Suspended:

Class B. Victualer's.....	15
Class C. Retailer's.....	6
Class D. Club.....	1
Sunday Sales.....	2
Newsboy.....	1
Junk Shop.....	1
	<u>26</u>
Total.....	

Licensees reprimanded:

Class A. Retailer's.....	3
Class B. Victualer's.....	1
Class C. Retailer's.....	7
Class D. Club.....	3
Class B. Limited.....	1
Second Hand Store.....	1
Junk Shop.....	3
	<u>19</u>
Total.....	19

Licensees found Not Guilty:

Class B. Victualer's.....	1
Class C. Retailers.....	<u>1</u>
Total.....	2

ACCIDENT PREVENTION BUREAU

During the year of 1954 the Accident Prevention Bureau cooperated with the Mayor's Traffic Safety Committee and other Safety Organizations, lectures and safety films were shown to various civic groups and Parent Teachers Meetings. Safety material was furnished weekly to the Mayor's Traffic Safety Clinic T.V. program which is televised by W.J.A.R.

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

SLOW DOWN AT SUN DOWN

This highway safety program was sponsored by the governors of eleven northeastern states and thirteen southern states. Pamphlets on this campaign were given to motorists by members of the Traffic Bureau, stories were published by the local press and spot announcements made by radio stations.

BICYCLE SAFETY TESTS

In cooperation with the Department of Recreation bicycle safety tests were conducted during the week of July 9th. 1954 at the Bucklin Park, Valley Street Playground, Hopkins Park and at the Summit Avenue School. Scotchlite reflector tape and material on Safe Bicycle Riding were given to each participant.

HIGHWAY COURTESY WEEK

Highway Courtesy Week was observed throughout the week of September 21, 1954, sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, courteous driver awards were given to operators of motor vehicles who performed an act of courtesy. Award winners were judged by this bureau along with the Traffic Engineering Department and the Automobile Club of R.I.

Throughout the week members of the Traffic Bureau wore arm bands.

CHILD SAFETY WEEK

The week of August 30th. 1954 was observed as Child Safety Week, during this period several T.V. appearances were made by this bureau on various programs with safety messages to parents and children about safety rules. The local press ran a series of pictures pointing out dangerous practices while at play. The radio stations gave out spot announcements.

S-D DAY "SAFE DRIVING DAY"

Safe Driving Day December 15th. 1954 was sponsored by the President's Action Committee for traffic safety. This bureau cooperated with the Mayor's Traffic Safety Committee who sponsored the campaign locally. Arm bands with the words S-D Day were worn by members of the Traffic Bureau, Safety lectures and films were shown to students in the Junior High Schools, 10,000 Safety Letters were distributed to school children by members of the Juvenile Bureau. Patrolmen of the Central Precinct and the Traffic Bureau passed out to motorists 3,000 cards with S-D Day messages on them. Nine television appearances were made by members of the department. Safety films were shown to members of the Accident Prevention group at Brown University and to the crew of the U.S.S. Larson at the Municipal dock.

PERSONAL INJURY ACCIDENTS
884

PEDESTRIAN
ACCIDENTS
410

MOTOR VEHICLE
COLLISIONS
466

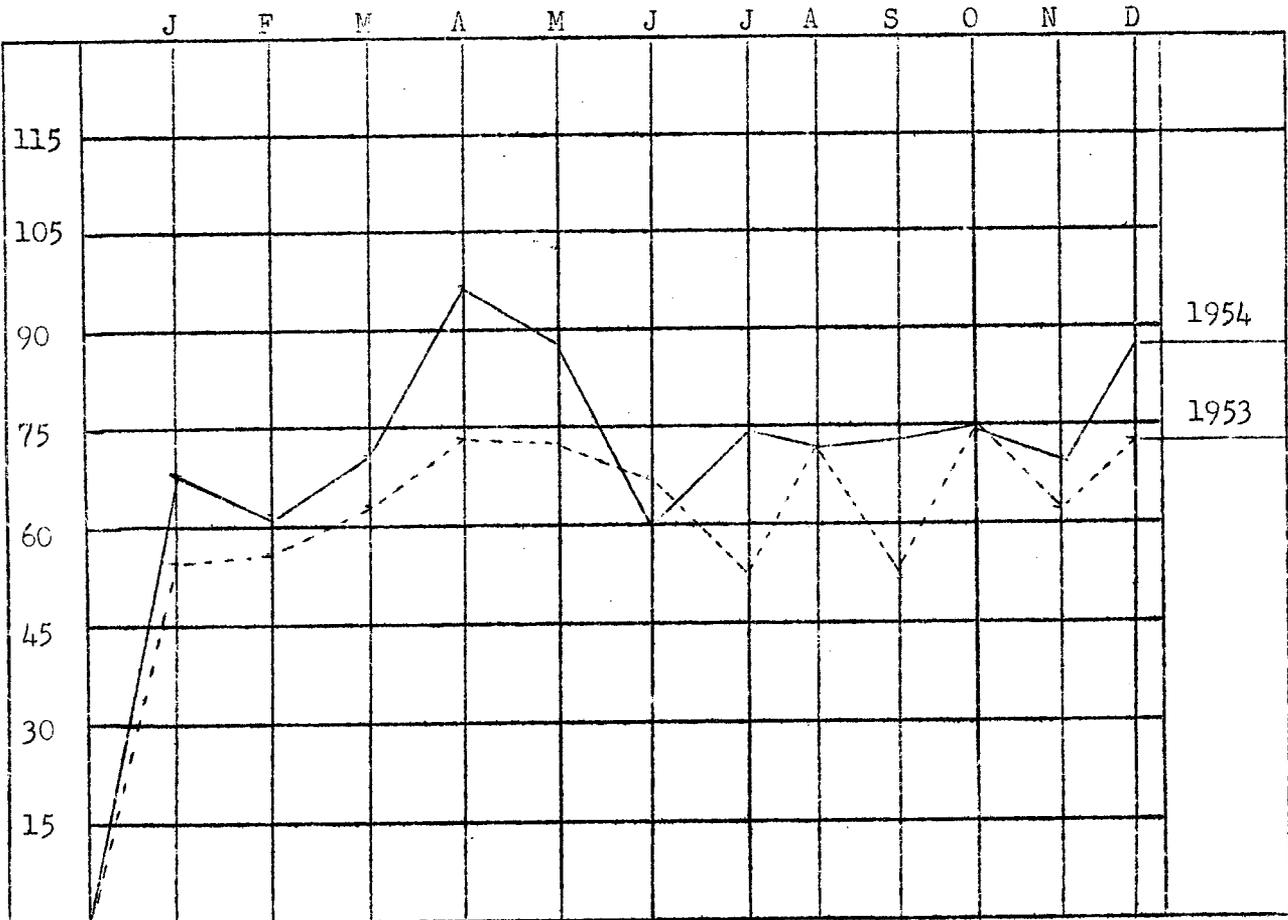
CORNER----- 141
BETWEEN----- 269

CORNER----- 277
BETWEEN----- 189

<u>CHILD</u>	<u>ADULT</u>
240	170

<u>M.V.C.</u>	<u>POLE</u>	<u>BIKE</u>	<u>PARKED AUTC</u>	<u>MISCL</u>
319	47	41	45	55

GRAPH OF INJURY ACCIDENTS YEAR-- 1953 & 1954



INJURY

ACCIDENT ANALYSIS

COMPARISON 1953 & 1954

YEAR	TOTAL ACC.	TOTAL INJ.	PEDESTRIANS		TOTAL FED. INJ.	M.V.C. ACC.	INJ. M.V.C.	
			CHILD	ADULT			ACC.	FATALS
1953	757	911	206	147	362	404	549	11
1954	884	1029	240	170	413	466	617	13

MONTHLY ACCIDENTS

TYPES

	TOTAL ACC.	PEDESTRIANS				TOTAL PED. INJ.	MOT. VEH. COLL. ACC.			TOTAL INJ.	TOTAL FATALS
		CHILD	INJ.	ADULT	INJ.		ACC.	INJ.	CHILD		
J-	67	14	14	16	16	30	37	45	1	75	1
F-	61	14	14	13	13	27	34	44	6	71	1
M-	69	20	20	19	20	40	30	37	6	77	2
A-	97	25	25	23	24	49	49	62	5	111	1
M-	89	29	29	20	20	49	40	56	4	105	1
J-	60	21	21	4	4	25	35	49	6	74	1
J-	74	25	25	12	12	37	37	48	7	85	1
A-	67	24	24	7	7	31	36	19	7	80	2
S-	71	16	16	11	11	27	44	57	6	84	0
O-	75	28	28	8	8	36	39	60	9	96	1
N-	70	11	12	16	16	27	35	42	4	69	1
D-	84	13	13	21	21	34	50	68	7	102	1
T	884	240	241	170	172	412	466	617	68	1,029	13

ANALYSIS OF MOTOR VEHICLE
COLLISION FATALITIES

Riders Killed----- 3
 Killed after dark----- 3
 Killed at intersections----- 2
 Male Riders Killed----- 3
 Female Riders Killed----- 0
 Oldest Rider Killed----- 39yrs.
 Youngest Rider Killed----- 29yrs.
 Average age of all Riders Killed--- 33.3yrs.
 Operators residing in State----- 3
 Operators residing in City----- 2
 Operators residing out of State---- 0
 Average age of Operators Involved-- 25.3yrs.
 Youngest Operator Involved----- 17yrs.
 Oldest Operator Involved----- 31.0yrs.

HOURS OF MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISION FATALITIES

A-----M											TOTAL	
12--1	1--2	2--3	3--4	4--5	5--6	6--7	7--8	8--9	9--10	10--11		11-12
	2				1							3
P-----M											TOTAL	
12--1	1--2	2--3	3--4	4--5	5--6	6--7	7--8	8--9	9--10	10--11		11-12
												0

Total ----- 3

FATAL ACCIDENTS

NAME	AGE	SEX	PED	TIME	LOCATION	DATE
1 L.BULLEY	60	M	X	1.00 A.M.	On Hartford Ave. (At Alverson Ave.)	1-5-54
2 F.DENISEWICZ	60	M	X	1.16 A.M.	On Charles St. (Fr.273)	2-22-54
3 H.LOFQUIST	74	M	X	8.30 A.M.	On Westminster St. (At Dean St.)	3-17-54
4 D.FERGUSON	5	M	X	1.50 P.M.	On Plainfield St. (Fr.#558)	3-20-54
5 D.ULOFF	70	F	X	10.05 P.M.	On Broad St. (At Public St.)	4-6-54
6 W.CAREY	29	M	OPP.	1.30 A.M.	On Broad St. (At Public St.)	5-1-54
7 K.REDIHAM	2½	F	X	1.50 P.M.	On Rutherglen Ave. (Fr.#132)	6-17-54
8 W.HALL	4	M	X	3.07 P.M.	On Gay St. (At Robinson St.)	7-25-54
9 A.MALO	2½	M	X	11.00 A.M.	On Burgess St. (Fr.#18)	8-12-54
10 J.CASTRIOTTA	6	M	X	1.40 P.M.	On Eddy St. (Fr.#833)	8-13-54
11 J.HOMER	85	M	X	5.45 A.M.	On Broadway (Fr.#90-94)	10-29-54
12 L.BOISVERT	37	M	OPP.	1.45 A.M.	On Atwells Ave. (At Harris Ave.)	11-21-54
13 C.RUSSO	39	M Rider		5.15 A.M.	On Cranston St. (Fr.#654)	12-12-54

HOURS OF FATAL ACCIDENTS

A-----M			P-----M	
12-----3:00	3:01-----6:00	6:01-----12:00	12:01-----6:00	6:01-----12:00
1.00AM*	5.45AM*	8.30AM	1.50PM	10.05PM*
1.16AM*	5.15AM*	11.00AM	1.50PM	
1.30AM*			3.07PM	
1.45AM*			1.40PM	

* DARK
X PEDESTRIAN

ANALYSIS OF PEDESTRIAN

FATAL ACCIDENTS

Pedestrians Killed-----	10
Killed after dark-----	3
Pit-Run Fatals-----	1
Cleared by arrest-----	0
Killed at Intersections-----	4
Male Pedestrians Killed-----	8
Female Pedestrians Killed-----	2
Youngest Pedestrian Killed-----	2½yrs.
Oldest Pedestrian Killed-----	85yrs.
Average age of all Killed-----	36.9yrs.
Average age of Children Killed-----	4.0yrs.
Operators residing in State-----	1
Operators residing out of State-----	0
Operators residing in City-----	8
Average age of Operators Involved-----	28.8yrs.
Youngest Operator Involved-----	20yrs.
Oldest Operator Involved-----	39yrs.

HOURS OF PEDESTRIAN FATAL ACCIDENTS

A-----												M
<u>12--1</u>	<u>1--2</u>	<u>2--3</u>	<u>3--4</u>	<u>4--5</u>	<u>5--6</u>	<u>6--7</u>	<u>7--8</u>	<u>8--9</u>	<u>9--10</u>	<u>10--11</u>	<u>11--12</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	2			1			1			1		5
P-----												M
<u>12--1</u>	<u>1--2</u>	<u>2--3</u>	<u>3--4</u>	<u>4--5</u>	<u>5--6</u>	<u>6--7</u>	<u>7--8</u>	<u>8--9</u>	<u>9--10</u>	<u>10--11</u>	<u>11--12</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	3		1							1		5

Total ---- 10

DAYS OF THE WEEK INJURY ACCIDENTS
OCCURED

Monday-----	107
Tuesday-----	121
Wednesday-----	126
Thursday-----	121
Friday-----	153
Saturday-----	147
Sunday-----	109

TOTAL NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS 884

HOURS OF INJURY ACCIDENTS

PEDESTRIANS

	<u>ACC.</u>	<u>INJ.</u>								
	A	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	M
	12	6	6	12	12	6	6	12	TOTALS	
J	4	4	6	6	10	10	10	10	30	30
F	2	2	3	3	15	15	7	7	27	27
M	0	0	7	7	23	24	9	9	39	40
A	1	1	9	9	25	25	13	13	48	49
M	1	1	6	6	28	28	14	14	49	49
J	1	1	4	4	12	12	8	8	25	25
J	0	0	7	7	19	19	11	11	37	37
A	2	2	5	5	15	15	9	9	31	31
S	1	1	4	4	13	13	9	9	27	27
O	1	1	5	5	21	21	9	9	36	36
N	1	1	5	5	14	15	7	7	27	28
D	0	0	8	8	17	17	9	9	34	34
T	14	14	69	69	212	214	115	115	410	413

HOURS OF INJURY ACCIDENTS

MOTOR VEHICLES

	<u>ACC.</u>	<u>INJ.</u>								
	A	M	P	M	A	M	P	M	TOTALS	TOTALS
	12	6	6	12	12	6	6	12		
J-	6	6	9	12	11	12	11	14	37	45
F-	8	12	7	8	12	17	7	7	34	44
M-	10	12	3	5	7	7	10	13	30	37
A-	3	5	7	7	21	29	18	21	49	62
M-	3	6	7	9	14	17	16	24	40	56
J-	2	2	7	8	15	22	11	17	35	49
J-	4	6	3	5	19	24	12	13	37	48
A-	6	10	7	7	12	16	11	16	36	49
S-	6	7	7	8	19	27	12	16	44	57
O-	6	10	4	5	13	17	16	23	39	60
N-	5	7	5	6	15	17	10	12	35	42
D-	9	13	4	5	18	26	10	24	50	68
T-	68	96	70	85	176	221	152	205	466	617

ACCIDENT INFORMATION ----- 1954

	<u>ACC.</u>	<u>ACC.</u>	<u>PROP.</u>	<u>ACC.</u>
	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>INJ.</u>	<u>DAMG.</u>	<u>FATAL</u>
JANUARY	316	67	649	1
FEBRUARY	370	61	309	1
MARCH	414	39	315	2
APRIL	512	97	415	1
MAY	492	89	400	1
JUNE	433	60	373	1
JULY	415	74	341	1
AUGUST	462	67	395	2
SEPTEMBER	453	71	382	0
OCTOBER	539	75	464	1
NOVEMBER	565	62	503	1
DECEMBER	921	84	837	1
TOTAL	6,292	876	5,416	13