



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT • CITY OF PROVIDENCE • RHODE ISLAND

MAYOR JOSEPH A. DOORLEY, JR.

June 9, 1970

To the Honorable City Council
of the City of Providence

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of the Providence Finance Act of 1945 as amended by Chapter 2722 of the Public Laws of 1951, effective July 1st, 1970, I have appointed Vincent T. Izzo of Providence, Rhode Island, Finance Director of the City of Providence, and respectively submit the same for your approval.

Respectfully yours,

Joseph A. Doorley, Jr.
Mayor

JAD:mld

IN CITY COUNCIL

JUN 18 1970

.....
READ AND APPROVED

Vincent T. Izzo
CLERK

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

THE CITY OF



PROVIDENCE

I, VINCENT T. IZZO, do
solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States
and of the State of Rhode Island and that I will faithfully discharge
the duties of the office of

FINANCE DIRECTOR

to the best of my ability.

Vincent T. Izzo

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I, JOSEPH A. DOORLEY, JR., MAYOR

do hereby certify that on the 1st. day of JULY, A. D. 1970,

I did administer unto VINCENT T. IZZO

duly appointed to the office of

FINANCE DIRECTOR

the above subscribed oath.

Joseph A. Doorley Jr.



CITY OF PROVIDENCE
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER
PROVIDENCE, R. I.

JOSEPH A. DOORLEY, JR.
MAYOR

May 28, 1970

To the Honorable the City Council
of the City of Providence

Gentlemen:

In accordance with Sections 5.6 and 5.7 of Chapter 1040 of the Ordinances of 1956, I have this day reappointed Mr. James T. Logan, a member of the Housing Board of Review for a term of five years ending Monday, June 1, 1975 and respectfully submit same to you for your approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph A. Doorley, Jr.
Mayor of Providence

JAD:aem

IN CITY COUNCIL

JUN 18 1970

.....
READ AND APPROVED

Vincent Vespa
CLERK

CITY OF PROVIDENCE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE ENGINEER

Frank S. Meadus, P. E.

112 Union Street, Providence, R. I. 02903
831 - 6500

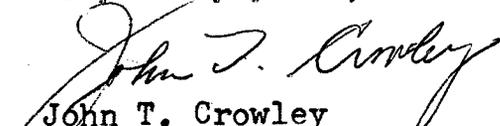
June 16, 1970

Mr. Vincent Vespia
City Clerk
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island

Dear Mr. Vespia:

I enclosed herewith the Bill of the Narragansett Electric Company for the month of May 1970, for the street lighting of the City of Providence, in the amount of \$50,230.27.

Very truly yours,

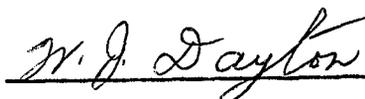

John T. Crowley
Acting Public Service Engineer

JTC/jd

IN CITY COUNCIL

JUN 18 1970

APPROVED:


CLERKRECEIVED OF DEPARTMENT OF CITY CLERK
June 29, 1970

PUBLIC LIGHTS

TOO: NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY

STREET LIGHT OUTAGES FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 1970

INCANDESCENTS

Hours U.G.	1000 Lumen @	.007167	
6975 Hours O.H.	1000 Lumen @	.003911	27.28
551 Hours O.H.	2500 Lumen @	.007820	4.31
Hours U.G. H.N.	1000 Lumen @	.011688	

MERCURY VAPOR

51 Hours U.G.	15000c Lumen @	.024241	1.24
137 Hours O.H.	15000c Lumen @	.019243	2.64
229 Hours U.G.	21000 Lumen @	.028489	6.52
128 Hours O.H.	21000 Lumen @	.023491	3.01
88 Hours O.H.	7000 Lumen @	.013745	1.21
137 Hours O.H.	3500 Lumen @	.011246	1.54

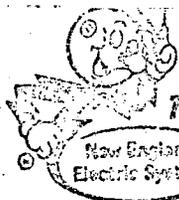
Total Street Lighting Bill	\$50,278.02
Total Outage Deduction	47.75
Net Total Bill for Month	\$50,230.27

IN CITY COUNCIL

JUN 18 1970

APPROVED:

Vernice Vespa
CLERK



THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY

New England
Electric System

P.O. Box 1438
Providence, R.I. 02901

SOLD TO 3-1820-0002-0
City of Providence
Public Service Engineer
City Hall
Providence, R. I.

DATE MAY 31 1970

INVOICE NO.

YOUR ORDER NO.

JOB NUMBER

TERMS: NET CASH

~~SHIPPED TO~~ Street Lighting

WHEN PAYING BY MAIL DETACH THE CASHIER'S
STUB AND FORWARD WITH REMITTANCE TO
INSURE PROPER CREDIT TO YOUR ACCOUNT.

6380	All Night	O.H. Single	1000	Lumens	@	1.304167	8320	59		
125	"	U.G.	1000	"	@	2.390000	298	75		
309	"	O.H.	2500	"	@	2.607500	805	72		
13	"	U.G.	2500	"	@	4.274167	55	56		
3	"	O.H.	10000	"	@	5.811667	17	44		
26	"	U.G.	10000	"	@	7.478333	194	44		
873	"	O.H.M.V.	7000	"	@	4.583333	4001	25		
105	"	U.G.M.V.	7000	"	@	6.250000	656	25		
1729	"	O.H.M.V.	15000	"	@	6.416667	11094	42		
1088	"	U.G.M.V.	15000	"	@	8.083333	8794	67		
1	"	U.G.M.V.	15000	2Lt.Cl.	@	14.500000	14	50		
44	24 HR. BR.	U.C.M.V.	15000	Lumens	@	10.250000	451	00		
552	All Night	O.H.M.V.	21000	"	@	7.833333	4324	00		
522	"	U.G.M.V.	21000	"	@	9.500000	4959	00		
4	"	U.C.M.V.	21000	2Lt.Cl.	@	17.333333	69	33		
7	"	U.G.M.V.	7000	2Lt.Cl.	@	10.833333	75	83		
1243	"	O.H.M.V.	3500	Lumens	@	3.750000	4661	25		
204	Half Night	U.G. Single	1000	"	@	2.076667	423	64		
3	"	U.G.	10000	"	@	5.906667	17	72		
11	"	U.G.	2500	"	@	3.602500	39	63		
49274 99										
Additions										
8	All Night	O.H.M.V.	7000	Lumens	@	.150685x61nts			73	53
1	"	O.H.M.V.	21000	"	@	.257534x61nts			15	71
15	"	O.H.M.V.	3500	"	@	.123288x61nts			112	81
11	"	O.H.M.V.	3500	"	@	.123288x59nts			80	01
4	"	O.H.M.V.	7000	"	@	.150685x58nts			34	96
1	"	O.H.M.V.	21000	"	@	.257534x58nts			14	94
36	"	O.H.M.V.	3500	"	@	.123288x58nts			257	43

WHEN PAYING BY MAIL PLEASE DETACH THIS STUB AND FORWARD WITH YOUR REMITTANCE TO INSURE PROPER CREDIT TO YOUR ACCOUNT

THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY
CASHIER'S STUB

RECEIVED FROM

ACCOUNT NUMBER

ADDRESS

REFERENCE OR JOB NUMBER

INVOICE DATE

INVOICE NUMBER

AMOUNT



THE HADDAGAWETT ELECTRIC COMPANY

P.O. Box 1438
Providence, R.I. 02901

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~~DEFEASOR~~ Street Lighting

WHEN PAYING BY MAIL DETACH THE CASHIER'S STUB AND FORWARD WITH REMITTANCE TO INSURE PROPER CREDIT TO YOUR ACCOUNT.

11	All Night	O.H.M.V.	7000	Lumens	@	.150685x49nts	81	22
15	" "	O.H.M.V.	3500	"	@	.123288x49nts	90	62
7	" "	O.H.M.V.	7000	"	@	.150685x48nts	50	63
10	" "	O.H.M.V.	3500	"	@	.123288x48nts	59	18
5	" "	O.H.M.V.	7000	"	@	.150685x47nts	35	41
21	" "	O.H.M.V.	3500	"	@	.123288x47nts	121	69
1	" "	O.H.M.V.	21000	"	@	.257534x46nts	11	85
21	" "	O.H.M.V.	3500	"	@	.123288x46nts	119	10
4	" "	O.H.M.V.	7000	"	@	.150685x45nts	27	12
27	" "	O.H.M.V.	3500	"	@	.123288x45nts	149	79
7	" "	O.H.M.V.	7000	"	@	.150685x44nts	46	41
26	" "	O.H.M.V.	21000	"	@	.257534x44nts	294	62
8	" "	O.H.M.V.	3500	"	@	.123288x44nts	43	40
							1720	43

Removals

20	All Night	O.H. Single	1000	Lumens	@	.042877x61nts	52	31
3	" "	O.H. "	2500	"	@	.085726x61nts	15	69
1	" "	O.H.M.V.	15000C	"	@	.210959x61nts	12	87
1	" "	U.G.M.V.	15000C	"	@	.265753x61nts	16	21
12	" "	O.H. Single	1000	"	@	.042877x59nts	30	36
26	" "	O.H. Single	1000	"	@	.042877x58nts	64	66
6	" "	O.H. Single	2500	"	@	.085726x58nts	29	83
2	" "	O.H.M.V.	15000C	"	@	.210959x58nts	24	47
27	" "	O.H. Single	1000	"	@	.042877x49nts	56	73
1	" "	O.H. "	2500	"	@	.085726x49nts	4	20
15	" "	O.H. "	1000	"	@	.042877x48nts	30	87
3	" "	O.H. "	2500	"	@	.085726x48nts	12	34
3	" "	O.H.M.V.	15000C	"	@	.210959x48nts	30	38
21	" "	O.H. Single	1000	"	@	.042877x47nts	42	32
2	" "	O.H. Single	2500	"	@	.085726x47nts	8	06

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CASHIER'S STUB

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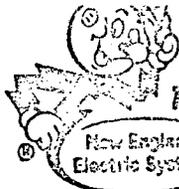
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New England Electric System

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TERMS: NET CASH

~~NUMBER TOX~~ Street Lighting

WHEN PAYING BY MAIL DETACH THE CASHIER'S STUB AND FORWARD WITH REMITTANCE TO INSURE PROPER CREDIT TO YOUR ACCOUNT.

2	All Night	O.H.M.V.	15000C Lumens	@	.210959x47nts			19	83
28	" "	O.H. Single	1000 "	@	.042877x46nts			55	23
1	" "	O.H.M.V.	15000C "	@	.210959x46nts			9	70
30	" "	O.H. Single	1000 "	@	.042877x45nts			57	88
17	" "	O.H. "	1000 "	@	.042877x44nts			32	07
12	" "	O.H.M.V.	15000C "	@	.210959x44nts			111	39
								<u>717</u>	<u>40</u>
								50278	02

IN CITY COUNCIL
JUN 18 1970

APPROVED:
Vincent V. [Signature]
CLERK

WHEN PAYING BY MAIL PLEASE DETACH THIS STUB AND FORWARD WITH YOUR REMITTANCE TO INSURE PROPER CREDIT TO YOUR ACCOUNT

THE HARRAGANETT ELECTRIC COMPANY
CASHIER'S STUB

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	City Hall			
	Providence, Rhode Island			

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Annual Report
OF THE
PROVIDENCE FIRE DEPARTMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING
December 31, 1969



JAMES T. KILLILEA
CHIEF OF
FIRE DEPARTMENT



HARRY GOLDSTEIN
COMMISSIONER
OF PUBLIC SAFETY

FIRE DEPARTMENT

209 FOUNTAIN ST., PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02903

The Honorable Commissioner of Public Safety
209 Fountain Street
Providence, Rhode Island

Dear Sir:

I am pleased to submit for your approval the Annual Report of the activities of the Providence Fire Department and its divisions for the year 1969.

Important in 1969 was the fact that Providence was again adjudged first in its population class throughout the country and third place for all classes and all cities in the fire prevention contest sponsored by the National Fire Protection Association.

During the year, four new 1000 Gallon Per Minute pumpers and two completely refurbished aerial ladder trucks were purchased. A modern sophisticated communications center was begun in the existing Fire Alarm Headquarters. This facility is scheduled to be completed early in 1970. The modernization of this facility will give the City of Providence one of the most modern communication centers in the country.

I wish to take this opportunity to commend the officers and men of the fire department for their expertness and their loyal and dedicated service to this department and to the community, many times under most trying conditions.

To Mayor Doorley, and to you Commissioner Goldstein, and the honorable members of the City Government, my sincere thanks for the support and cooperation you have shown by providing this department with modern equipment and apparatus.

Respectfully submitted,

James T. Killilea
James T. Killilea
Chief of Department

IN CITY COUNCIL
JUN 18 1970

READ:

WHEREUPON IT IS ORDERED THAT
THE SAME BE RECEIVED.

Vincent Vespa
CLERK

James T. Killilea

OPERATIONAL STATISTICAL REPORT

Compiled by the Bureau of Fire Prevention

1969 Fire Loss

\$2,628,552.17

1968 Fire Loss

\$2,661,894.52

BUILDING FIRES

1969.....1,608

1968.....1,204

FIRES AMOUNTING TO \$2,500 or more

1969.....182

1968.....190

FIRE FATALITIES

1969..... 3

1968..... 4

1969 FIRE DEPARTMENT CALLS

Box Alarms..... 7,123
Still Box Alarms..... 1,532
Still Alarms..... 3,777
R.I. Electric Protective..... 51

Total Fire Calls 12,483

Rescue Calls..... 10,185
Emergency Calls..... 471
10,656

TOTAL CALLS 23,139

MULTIPLE ALARMS

1969

2nd Alarm Fires

<u>DATE</u>		<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>TYPE BLDG.</u>	
January	27	602 Charles Street	Mercantile	\$ 75,549.00
February	6	288 Broad Street	Apartments	\$203,000.00
February	27	391-393 Elmwood Avenue	Mercantile	\$ 39,500.00
March	8	2 Providence Street	Apartments	*
May	28	197 Douglas Avenue	Dwellings	\$ 11,000.00

* Arson inditement obtained

3rd Alarm Fires

February	19	777-811 Westminster St.	Vacant Mercantile	\$ 68,474.75
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Fatalities caused from fire - 3

CAUSES OF FIRES AND ALARMS
for fires in buildings

Candle - lamp - torch	20
Careless use of matches	53
Careless smoking	174
Careless smoking in bed	35
Cleaning solvent	4
Defective boiler - furnace	62
Defective chimney	23
Defective electrical appliance	59
Defective gas stove	10
Defective gas heater	10
Defective range oil burner	17
Defective power oil burner	29
Defective portable oil heater	7
Defective space oil heater	12
Defective machinery	6
Defective wiring	39
Dust - lint	8
Explosion	1
Food - grease	85
Space oil heater - overflow	15
Power oil burner - flareback	17
Overheated boiler - furnace	16
Overheated electric motor	11
Overheated oven	6
Rags on pipes, etc.	7
Rubbish - litter	98
Set by juveniles - vandals	518
Short circuit - wires	21
Short circuit - motor	12
Soot in chimney	5
Spark from chimney	2
Spark from motor - machine	4
Spark from rubbish fire	23
Spontaneous combustion	4
Struck by lightning	1
Suspicious	88
Miscellaneous	49
Undetermined	57
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	1,608 TOTAL

OTHER THAN FOR A FIRE IN A BUILDING

False Alarms (Box)	5125	Space oil heater - overflow	12
False Alarms (Still Box)	170	Overheated boiler - furnace	10
False Alarms (Still)	228	Overheated electric motor	9
Accidental-needless	247	Rubbish - litter	1765
Careless use of matches	9	Soot in chimney	4
Careless smoking	38	Spark from chimney	2
Defective boiler - furnace	65	Struck by lightning	1
Defective chimney	18	Auto - truck - bus, etc.	927
Defective electrical appliance	74	Bonfire	119
Defective gas stove	16	Bridge	4
Defective gas heater	10	Dumps	78
Defective range oil burner	14	Fence	33
Defective power oil burner	38	Grass - Brush - Leaves	1569
Portable oil heater	5	Junk yard	17
Defective space oil heater	12	Lumber yard	2
Defective machinery	4	Tree - pole	74
Defective wiring	18	Oil bomb in street	14
Food - grease	83	Miscellaneous	53
Incendiary	8		
		TOTAL	<u>10,875</u>

10,185 Rescue Runs
471 Emergency Runs

Total building fires 1,608
Total other than bldg. fires 10,875
12,483

Rescue Runs 10,185

Emergency Runs 471

23,139 GRAND TOTAL OF ALARMS

RECORD OF ALARMS FOR FIRES IN BUILDINGS

RESIDENTIAL.....	692
NON-RESIDENTIAL.....	49
MERCANTILE.....	136
MANUFACTURING.....	100
STORAGE.....	92
PUBLIC UTILITIES.....	0
MISCELLANEOUS.....	137
VACANT BUILDINGS.....	402
	<u>1,608</u> TOTAL

CLASSIFICATION OF BUILDING FIRES

<u>RESIDENTIAL</u>		<u>MANUFACTURING</u>	
Apartments	121	Factories	53
Tenements	334	Breweries	1
Dwellings	207	Canneries	0
Hotels	8	Bakeries	5
Rooming & Lodging	22	Laundries	17
	<u>692</u>	Printing	1
		Other Mfg. & Processing	23
			<u>100</u>
<u>NON-RESIDENTIAL</u>		<u>STORAGE</u>	
Office Buildings	6	Warehouses	18
Theaters	2	Piers - Wharfs	0
Churches	4	Grain Elevators	0
Hospitals	7	Storage	74
Institutions	0		<u>92</u>
Schools	24	<u>PUBLIC UTILITIES</u>	
Armories	0	Power Plants	0
Auditoriums	3	Pump-Transformer Station	0
Halls, etc.	2		<u>0</u>
Banks	1	<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>	
	<u>49</u>	Detached Private	
		Garages & Barns	74
<u>MERCANTILE</u>		All Other Buildings	63
Retail & Wholesale	65		<u>137</u>
Restaurants	27	<u>VACANT BUILDINGS</u>	
Bars & Cafes	15		402
Repair Shops	7		
Filling Stations	4		
Public Garages	18		
	<u>136</u>		

NUMBER OF ALARMS DURING EACH HOUR

<u>HOUR</u> <u>A.M.</u>	<u>ALARMS</u>	<u>HOUR</u> <u>P.M.</u>	<u>ALARMS</u>
12 - 1	360	12 - 1	454
1 - 2	280	1 - 2	495
2 - 3	166	2 - 3	733
3 - 4	113	3 - 4	787
4 - 5	75	4 - 5	771
5 - 6	54	5 - 6	848
6 - 7	73	6 - 7	954
7 - 8	96	7 - 8	1139
8 - 9	259	8 - 9	1427
9 - 10	211	9 - 10	1210
10 - 11	314	10 - 11	779
11 - 12	363	11 - 12	522
			<u>12,483</u> TOTAL

NUMBER OF ALARMS DURING EACH DAY

Sunday	1791
Monday	1797
Tuesday	1658
Wednesday	1724
Thursday	1636
Friday	1927
Saturday	1950
	<u>12,483</u> TOTAL

The following is the statistical summary of the activities of the fire fighting force of the Department for the year ending December 1969.

Working time of companies at fires - 10,981 hours 59 min.
Working time at dumps - 119 hours 28 min.
Working time of pumpers at fires - 1,621 hours 58 min.

HOSE LINES USED

Booster	No. of lines used	222	Total feet	46,350
1½" hose	" " " "	4,634	" "	631,850
2½" hose	" " " "	652	" "	142,290
3" hose	" " " "	664	" "	134,900

LADDERS USED

Aerial ladders	259	Total feet	23,425
Portable ladders	1,489	" "	29,790

EXTINGUISHERS USED

Foam	-	2
Soda & Acid	-	0
Pump Tanks	-	346
Dry Chemical	-	95
Carbon Dioxide	=	160

OTHER EQUIPMENT

Salvage Covers	-	387
Bundles of Laths	-	91 ¾
Rolls-Roofing Paper	-	94 ½
Homelites	-	29
Generators	-	26
Smoke ejector	-	38
Sprinkler heads	-	20
Scott Air-Pac	-	90
Survivair	-	72

APPARATUS INVENTORY

<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>G.P.M.</u>	<u>MOTOR</u>
Engine Co. No. 1	Mack (1969)	1000	Diesel
" " " 2	Ward-LaFrance (1963)	1000	Gas
" " " 3	Mack (1969)	1000	Diesel
" " " 4	Amer. LaFrance (1950)	750	Diesel
" " " 5	Amer. LaFrance (1950)	750	Gas
" " " 6	Mack (1957)	750	Diesel
" " " 7	Mack (1968)	1000	Gas
" " " 8	Amer. LaFrance (1950)	750	Diesel
" " " 9	Mack (1968)	1000	Gas
" " " 10	Mack (1969)	1000	Diesel
" " " 11	Amer. LaFrance (1952)	750	Gas
" " " 12	Mack (1969)	1000	Diesel
" " " 13	Seagrave (1965)	1000	Gas Foam Truck
" " " 14	Amer. LaFrance (1950)	750	Diesel
" " " 15	Ward LaFrance (1960)	750	Gas
" " " 16	Mack (1957)	750	Diesel

Ladder Co. No. 1	Maxim 100' Aerial (1969)		Diesel
" " " 2	Amer. LaFrance (1945)	85' Aerial	Gas
" " " 3	Amer. LaFrance (1950)	75' Aerial	Diesel
" " " 4	Amer. LaFrance (1956)	85' Aerial	Gas
" " " 5	Amer. LaFrance (1946)	85' Aerial	Gas
" " " 6	Seagrave (1954)	85' Aerial	Diesel
" " " 7	Amer. LaFrance (1951)	85' Aerial	Gas
" " " 8	Maxim (1963)	100' Aerial	Gas

Engine Tender No. 9	G.M.C. (1943)		Gas
Foam Tender No. 1	Ford C.O.E (1950)		Gas

Rescue Co. No. 1	Ford Special Body		1969
Rescue Co. No. 2	Chevrolet Special Body		1968
Rescue Co. No. 3	Chevrolet Special Body		1965

Reserve Engine No. 2	At Engine Co. 2		1952 Foam
Reserve Engine No. 6	At Engine Co. 6		1953
Reserve Engine No. 7	At Engine Co. 7		1927
Reserve Engine No. 14	At Engine Co. 14		1952
Reserve Engine No. 15	At Engine Co. 15		1949
Reserve Engine No. 16	At Engine Co. 16		1954

Reserve Ladder No. 3	At Engine Co. 5		1929
Reserve Ladder No. 4*	At Ladder Co. 4		1927
Reserve Ladder No. 8**	At Engine Co. 6		1937

* New Tractor - 1950
 ** New Tractor - 1947

APPARATUS INVENTORY (CON'T.)

Reserve Rescue No. 1	At Rescue No. 1	1960
Reserve Rescue No. 2	At Rescue No. 3	1962
Air Station Truck	At Engine Co. 5	1952
Water Pollution Unit	At Engine Co. 18	1967
Reserve BC Sedan	At Repair Shop	1963

From: John T. McLaughlin, Chief of the Fire Prevention Bureau

To: The Chief of Department

Subject: Annual Report - 1969

Sir:

The City of Providence has once again been adjudged as having the most effective fire prevention program in the nation for cities in our population category. In addition, the results of the 1969 National Fire Protection Association Fire Prevention Contest rate the City of Providence third in the entire nation, regardless of population classification.

Since being selected as the Grand Award Winner in the nation in 1968, we have been requested to appear at various national and local seminars to explain aspects of our fire prevention program which were conducive to our winning the award. On these occasions, I have discussed the effectiveness of our newly-created arson squad; the accomplishments of our rather unique demolition program; our fire prevention and fire brigade training programs for the personnel of our hospitals, institutions, business establishments and industrial plants; the Fire Safety Education Program which we conduct for our schools and youth organizations, which has attracted national recognition for years; and a "watchdog" policy as it may concern the use and storage of flammable liquids and dangerous chemicals, new construction, and the flammability of items, including clothing, for sale in our retail stores. The foregoing are, of course, in addition to our routine building inspections, the investigation of fires and complaints, and the maintenance of department records and statistics.

I believe we have a very comprehensive and effective fire prevention program, a belief which is more or less substantiated by the national recognition accorded it. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the personnel of the Fire Prevention Bureau whose dedication to duty has contributed so much to the success of this program. I also extend my sincere gratitude to the administrative personnel of the City of Providence, The Fire Safety Committee of The Greater Providence Chamber of Commerce, the personnel of the Providence Fire Department, and the civic-minded community of the City of Providence who have made this program possible.

Respectfully submitted,

John T. McLaughlin
John T. McLaughlin, Chief
Bureau of Fire Prevention

RECAP OF FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU ACTIVITIES FOR 1969

<u>INVESTIGATION (COMPLAINTS RECEIVED)</u>		<u>INSPECTIONS (REGULAR)</u>	
Complaints corrected	435	Original inspections	1307
Complaints unjustified	79	Re-inspections	980
Buildings razed	168	Theaters	7
Buildings repaired	1	Convalescent homes	12
Referred to Health Department	3	Nursing homes	21
Referred to Building Director	70	Homes for children	100
Referred to Electrical Dept.	1	Hospitals	7
Request of occupants	334	Schools	71
Defective chimney-smoke pipe & heating plant	13	Orphanages	
Fire escapes-panic bolts etc.	4	Storage of vehicles	79
Obstructed exits	27	Gasoline applications	166
Open exposures	82	Gasoline tanks	212
Burning rubbish	36	Storage of fuel oil-bulk	115
Rubbish conditions corrected	77	Dangerous chemical applications	146
		Fire escapes	24
		<u>DEMONSTRATIONS - LECTURES - etc.</u>	
		Demonstrations	96
		" attendance at	35,605
		Moving picture showings	64
		Moving picture attendance at	23,300
		Lecture - talk	144
		Lecture talk attendance at	27,176
		Conferences attended	294
		Radio broadcast	23
		Television broadcast	1
		Fire drills conducted	37
		Tape recordings made	30
<u>FIRES</u>		<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>	
Fires investigated	1885	No smoking signs issued	756
Suspicious fires	118	Photographs taken	2457
Referred to Juvenile Division	9	Extra hours worked	304½
Fire losses investigated	251	Pamphlets distributed	88,370
Court cases	2	Books distributed	1400
		Posters distributed	4150
		Public displays set up	20
		Flame proof tests	26
		Industrial fire seminar	9
<u>PLACES OF PUBLIC ASSEMBLY</u>			
Bingos	138		

INSPECTIONS

RESIDENTIAL

(dwellings, apartments, rooming houses, etc.) 97,512

NON-RESIDENTIAL

(theaters, churches, hospitals, schools, etc.) 1,481

MERCANTILE

(retail stores, restaurants, repair shops, etc.) 372

MANUFACTURING

(factories, bakeries, laundries, etc.) 155

STORAGE

(warehouses, piers, etc.) 47

MISCELLANEOUS

(power plants, pumping stations, etc.) 39

HYDRANTS

37,822

APPROVALS AND PERMITS

Gasoline 34
Garages 4
Dangerous chemicals 11

From: Batt. Chief John E. McDonald, Director
Division of Training

To: The Chief of Department

Subject: Annual Report 1969

Sir:

The Twenty-Eighth (28th) Class of Trainees consisting of nineteen (19) men were in the advanced training stage as the year 1969 activities commenced. These nineteen (19) Trainees were sworn in as permanent members of the department as of February 26, 1969 at 8:00 A.M.

On January 14, 1969 physicals were held at the Division of Training for the Twenty-Ninth (29) Training Class.

On February 13, 1969 Batt. Chief Falvey and Capt. Poudrier attended an Oil Fire Seminar at the Biltmore Hotel.

On February 24, 1969 the Twenty-Ninth (29) Class of Trainees consisting of fourteen (14) men started basic training.

Batt. Chief John E. McDonald was detailed to the Division of Training as of April 1, 1969.

On April 18, 1969 an examination announcement for entrance to the Privates to Lieutenants Promotional School would be held at 7:00 P.M. on May 13, 1969 at Mount Pleasant High School. On May 27, 1969 on General Order No. 21 Twenty-one (21) men were selected to attend this school. The Lieutenants Promotional School started on June 9, 1969 for a two week period. This school covered all subjects and training needed to produce good officers. On July 11, 1969 on General Order #28 the order of finish for this school was listed.

All four Battalion Districts and Companies were inventoried, color coded, equipment tagged and all metal tools were die stamped by Batt. Chief John E. McDonald and Pvt. Robert Wilks while detailed to this division.

The fourteen (14) members of the 29th Trainees Class were appointed permanent members of the Providence Fire Department as of Sunday, August 24, 1969, per General Order No. 35.

Effective, Sunday, September 14, 1969, Batt. Chief John J. Falvey retired and was placed on the Employees Retirement list. Batt. Chief John E. McDonald replaced Chief Falvey as Director of Training.

A competitive examination was held at the Division of Training for applicants to the Thirtieth (30th) Training School on Friday, September 19, 1969, at 7:00 P.M. Physical examinations for the accepted members were conducted by Doctor Arnold Ciccone and Blood, Urine, and Chest X-Rays were taken at Charles V. Chapin Hospital on October 2nd and October 3rd 1969.

Adaptability tests were conducted at this Division by Mr. Charles A. Devine on October 11, 14, 15, 1969.

On November 3, 1969 the Thirtieth (30th) Trainees Class with twenty-nine (29) members started basic training. As of January 1, 1970 Twenty-six (26) members are still in basic training.

Promotional School: On October 8, 1969 an announcement of a Lieutenant's Promotional School was circulated throughout the department. Thirteen (13) Lieutenants will be competitively selected for promotion to Captain. The thirteen (13) top Lieutenants reported to classes at 8:30 A.M. on December 1, 1969. On December 14, 1969 the top four (4) men in the class started their new assignments as Captain.

An announcement on October 10, 1969 to all Lieutenants and Privates that the practice of having night duty officers to assist the working Lieutenant in training the recruits for 1/2 a credit point towards promotion was brought back into practice. All men who submitted applications for duty were selected by seniority. Those men who didn't get a tour in the Thirtieth (30th) Trainees School will be contacted by seniority to serve in the Thirty-First (31st) Trainees School.

Evaluation: On October 10, 1969 Batt. Chief John E. McDonald served on the Cranston Fire Department's Oral examination evaluation board for a Captains and Deputy Chiefs promotional list.

On October 24, 1969 this Division with Engine 14 held a hydrant flow test at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Davis Park.

With the start of the Thirtieth (30th) Trainees Class on November 3, 1969, the Trainees Notebook was standardized and mimeotyped copies were given to all Trainees and to all Lieutenants attending the December Promotional School. It is hoped in the near future to give each company a standardized book. Points previously allotted to Trainees and Officers final graduation mark for notebooks has been added into the General Knowledge Exam.

The time saved by the Instructor reading and the Student taking many mistaken and misspelled words into their notes, gave this Class an opportunity to put theory into practice. Through the courtesy of the Office of Housing and Urban Development, we had the opportunity to operate all types of Sprinkler Systems and various types of Shut-Offs in the Manufacturing Buildings in the Randall Square area. Each man learned how to use every tool, manual or power type, that this department has. This class had the first opportunity in years for a Trainees Group to tour the Test Grounds, Foundry and Factory of the Grinnell Sprinkler Company. We also worked in conjunction with the Cranston Fire Department in fighting all types of fires in old buildings, formerly the Oaklawn Girls School, finally demolishing the buildings for the State with fully involved building fires.

Records: The records of the Personnel of the Department have been kept in force - whereby all information has been recorded on the files of the membership of the department.

Forms: Stencils were cut and Forms were printed as required or requested by the departments needs.

Library: The use of the Training Manuals in the custody of this Division is on the increase. Consideration is being given to the requesting of additional material for use in the Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Battalion Chief

John E. McDonald
Director of Training

FROM: Alfred J. Mello, Superintendent of Fire Alarm

TO: The Chief of Department

SUBJECT: Annual Report (Bureau of Operations and Control) 1969

SIR: The principal duty of the Bureau of Operations and control is the accurate interperation of all emergency calls and the dispatching of the proper apparatus to these emergencies.

The following is a break down of all types of alarms received in the year 1969 compared with the previous year:

	Boxes	St Boxes	Stills	R.I.E.P.	Rescues	Emerg.	Lockouts
1969	7400	1532	3777	51	10,114	509	568
1968	5041	1481	3404	64	10,366	894	708

The total number of emergencies received by this office and transmitted to the department during the year 1969 was 22,815 compared with 21,250 during 1968. As in previous years we have shown a large increase in alarms transmitted. This increase is due largely to the sharp increase in the number of Box Alarms for the year.

As in the past the department is still sending the first due Engine Company and Battalion Chief. This compliment is sent only on known False Alarm Boxes. The logic behind this was to try and eliminate the large display of apparatus, also it would decrease the possibility of depleting the department inventory of available apparatus. This practice has proven to be satisfactory in certain areas of the city. Its actual impact on other sections of the city cannot be measured due to the fact False Alarms are still on the upswing. With all apparatus radio equipped, if help is required the first due company can readily call for assistance. This is using our Radio Network to its fullest.

Rescue calls in the past year have decreased. This is due in part to the members of the B.C.C. screening all calls. By doing so they have eliminated some but not all unnecessary calls.

Again this year, lockouts have fallen off by a few, not enough to reflect any significant trend. I feel how as I have felt in the past that a service charge should be placed for this type of service. If this were the case, I feel that many of the calls which are repeats would be eliminated.

It is also the responsibility of this office to maintain records of all alarms transmitted to the department. Tests conducted by Fire Alarm Technicians, American Service Testing Co, Grinnell Co., and many of the Insurance Companies are received in this office and require the services of one man to receive and record these.

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In closing, I would like to say that the members of the Bureau of Operations and Control have handled all emergencies in the most expeditious manner. I would also like to thank the Officers and members of the Bureau for their continued dedication to their work, particularly during major emergencies.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alfred J. Nello".

Alfred J. Nello

FROM: Alfred J. Mello, Superintendent of Fire Alarm

TO: Chief of Department

SUBJECT: Annual Report, Fire Alarm Division 1969

SIR: The year 1969 shall go on record as being without a doubt, the most hectic in the modern history of the Fire Alarm Division. The complete renovation of the building and its central office equipment replacement, has required almost constant surveillance by the personnel of this Division to insure an uninterrupted continuity of service. In about all instances the contractor and sub-contractors have been most cooperative. As of the close of 1969, the building was just about completed except for minor details.

One of the most complicated phases of the renovation project was the installation of the new Department Telephone System, going from the old type switch-board to the direct dial system. This not only consisted of installation of elaborate equipment here at the office but also required considerable time in going around to all of the stations to install dials on all of the phones or to replace those phones that could not be converted. Under this new system the personnel of the BOC have been able to breathe a little easier during the usual peak periods and also the room can be operated efficiently with 3 men instead of the 4 required prior to the installation.

In conjunction with the installation of the new equipment, a 100 watt Base Station has been installed as our main transmitter, this is a Motorola Unit. Our old main station (250 watt) is now used as a stand-by Transmitter and the unit that was previously used as a stand-by has been converted to 154.280 mh and is used as an Intercity radio. With this unit on the Intercity we are now capable of contacting all stations on the network .

Probably the most tedious job connected with the changeover was the replacement of all Municipal cables from the basement of the building to the second floor where a new terminal rack is located. Many hours of overtime were put in by the Cablemen of the Division and at the time of this writing has just been completed.

During the entire installation of equipment, this office did not suffer any interruption of service. A considerable amount of time was spent testing every box in the city on the new system. Another problem we encountered was trying to maintain a minimum amount of noise, I full realize that at times it was quite nerve racking to the Dispatchers on duty and to the members of the Department as a whole in trying to receive transmissions from this office, I thank all of them for having been patient.

During the course of the year there were 19 Fire Boxes or Pedestals damaged as a result of auto accidents, the city was able to recover on some of these, but a good part of them were of the hit-and-run variety

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and these reflect a considerable loss to the city. In addition there were several of a very minor nature that went unreported.

During the course of the year several private boxes were installed and some were removed due to demolition of buildings, at the end of the year there was an overall increase of Private boxes of five (5) bringing the total to 349. The Public boxes dropped by three (3) during the year leaving a total at the end of the year of 688.

Due to new legislation that has been passed recently it is anticipated that we will have quite an influx of new Master Boxes particularly in Nursing and Convalescent homes during the coming year.

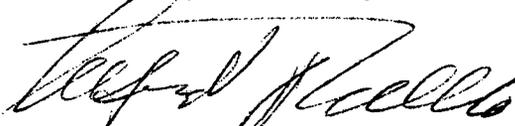
In addition there are 168 Police Call Boxes in the Police Telegraph system under the care of the Fire Alarm Division.

As in the past, this Division has been responsible for the upkeep and maintenance of all electrical appliances of the Department as well as minor electrical work in the Department of Public Safety Buildings. Since the loss of our licensed Electrician on the Trouble shooters job much of the electrical work done in the stations has been done on a contract basis.

In closing, I can say without exaggerating that we now have one of the most modern fire alarm centers in the country and the citizens of Providence can be very proud of it. I sincerely urge all members of the Department to come and see the building and get acquainted with the problems associated with this phase of fire fighting.

Many thanks to all members of the Division for their hard work in the past year and to the Mayor, the Commissioner and the Chief of Department for their full cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,



Alfred J. Mello

To: The Chief of Department

From: Raymond A. Kilduff, Superintendent, Automotive Repairs

Subject: Annual Report, Automotive Repairs (1969)

Sir:

I hereby submit for your consideration and approval the report of operations of the Automotive Repair and Maintenance Division for the year ending December 31, 1969.

Our performance over this period, as in the past, has been the maintaining and repairing of all mobile units of this department, also all portable units such as pumps, generators, etc. The servicing and repairing of various articles of fire fighting equipment and tools has been accomplished in our machine shop. Minor body repairs, painting, welding and brazing are done by members of this division. Apparatus lubrications and inspections are done both in the Repair Shop and in Company quarters. We have been in attendance at all multiple alarm fires and other emergencies as well as the annual hose and pump service tests of all Engine Companies and also the acceptance tests of all new fire apparatus.

A twenty-four hour a day, seven day a week schedule is maintained by our Mechanics to insure prompt response for any mechanical failure, multiple alarm fires, or any other emergencies which may occur. Emergency repairs, minor repairs, adjustments and other operations are performed on the scene or at Company quarters.

During the past year, one new Rescue unit with a custom built body was received and placed in service at Rescue Co. # 1. Four new 1000 G.P.M. triple combination pumpers were received and placed in service at Engine Co's 1, 3, 10, 12. A 100 foot all steel hydraulically operated Ladder truck was received and placed in service at Ladder Co. # 1. Another Custom built Rescue unit was ordered and delivery is expected shortly.

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond A. Kilduff
Superintendent, Automotive Repairs

From: Robert M. Keegan, Lieutenant, Rescue Company No. 1
To: The Chief of Department
Subject: Annual Report of Rescue Company No. 1 for the Year 1969

Sir:

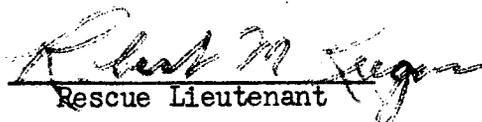
For the second consecutive year, the total runs of this Company has shown a decrease of 9.7% over the previous year. In the past 18 months, since the Hospital Zone Plan has been in operation, this Company has had a 16.6% decrease in the rate of runs, as compared to the 18 months preceeding the Zone Plan. This decrease denotes that the general public is cooperating and that the announcements in the newspapers and on the radio are beginning to show their effect.

Boxes.....	146	Maternity Cases.....	28
Still Boxes.....	52	Auto Accidents.....	379
Special Signals.....	55	Refused Aid.....	135
Still Alarms.....	3124	Elevator Accidents..	13
Multiple Alarms.....	1	Refrigerator Leaks..	4
Out of City.....	1	Boat Used.....	13
Total Runs.....	3379	Sawzall Used.....	1
		Porta-Power Used....	2
Transported by Rescue..	1961	Cave-ins.....	1
Referred to Ambulances..	259	Floodlights Used....	3
First Aid Rendered.....	1244	Generac Used.....	3
Oxygen Administered....	63	Ammonia Leaks.....	2
D.O.A.....	114	Extra Hours of Duty.	221

Gasoline Used..... 3667 Gals.

Service Time.... 853 Hrs. 0 Min.

Respectfully submitted,


Rescue Lieutenant

From: Raymond J. Habel, Lieut., Rescue Co. # 2

To: The Chief of Department

Subject: Annual Report of Rescue Co. #2 for the Year 1969

Sir:

With the year 1969 completed, may I say that this is the first time in the history of this company that there has been a decrease in yearly calls. Our biggest decrease has been in boxes and still boxes. There has been a relatively small decline in still alarms, 388 under last year.

It is quite apparent that this decrease in yearly calls is due to public awareness that we now transport only emergency cases. Assuming this awareness to continue, a substantial decline in non-emergency calls can be anticipated for the year 1970.

Boxes.....	77	Ambulance referrals.....	324
Still boxes.....	20	Auto accidents.....	383
Still alarms.....	4073	Elevator accidents.....	2
Special signals.....	58	Cave-ins.....	1
Multiple alarms.....	2	Maternity.....	83
Oxygen administered.....	103	Transportations.....	2542
Refrigerator leaks.....	5	Gasoline (gals.).....	3828
Boat used.....	1	First aid rendered.....	373
Total alarms.....	4562	Out of city.....	3
		Out of service....	1629
		Extra hours....	20 hrs. 34 mins.

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond J. Habel
Rescue Lieutenant

From: Donald W. Gregson, Lieutenant, Rescue Co. 3

To: The Chief of Department

Subject: Annual Report of Rescue Co. No. 3 for the Year 1969

Sir:

During the past year Rescue Co. No. 3 decreased in alarms by 154 alarms. This decrease was largely from Box Alarms and Still Box Alarms. Still Alarms decreased by only 1 and Special Signals increased by 24 Alarms.

Box Alarms.....	74	Auto Accidents.....	335
Still Box Alarms.....	10	Electric Saw Used.....	02
Still Alarms.....	2551	Quik-Cut Used.....	02
Special Signals.....	45	Porto-Power Jack Used.....	04
Alarms Out Of City.....	3	Oxygen Cylinders Used.....	98
Total Alarms.....	2680	Scott Air Tanks Used.....	04
Times Transported.....	1785	Refrigerator Leaks.....	04
First Aid Rendered.....	1591	Maternity Cases.....	24
Referred To Private Amb....	117	Boat Used.....	09
E & J Machine Used.....	204	Extra Hours Of Duty.....	212

Gasoline Used..... 2968 Gals.

Service Time.... 978 Hrs. 57 Mins.

Respectfully submitted,


Rescue Lieutenant

LAST ALARM

ACTIVE MEMBER

John F. Kanaczet December 30

RETIRED MEMBERS

John A. Gibbons	January	5
John R. Langton	March	1
William H. Hanson	March	7
John F. O'Brien	March	20
John F. McKenna	April	12
Thomas P. Haz lehurst	May	4
Raymond E. Shawcross	May	5
James H. L. Downey	May	8
Charles H. Smith	May	16
Thomas O. McLaughlin	June	9
George A. Briggs	July	16