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Poultney Bigelow.....*Chaplain*

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Each troop consists of ninety-five officers and men.

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*To His Excellency, the Honorable FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT,  
Governor of the State of New York, Albany, N. Y.:*

SIR.—This is the thirteenth annual report of the Division of State Police.

The work of the New York State Troopers was the most comprehensive and on the broadest scale during the year 1930 of any since its establishment thirteen and one-half years ago. Investigations without arrests exceeded those of the previous year by 25,000 and arrests themselves by 15,000. These figures give only scant indication of the many activities which cannot be recorded by mere statistics. Although the actual number of men authorized has not been changed, the elimination of the large turnover which during 1929 amounted to 185 has increased the efficiency of the force to a high degree. This condition is partly due to the economic conditions prevailing, but also the substantial adjustment of pay in proportion to length of service granted by the Legislature to take effect July 1, 1930, is largely responsible. A man who is trained by schooling and experience and who becomes a valuable addition to the force has sufficient inducement under the present scale of pay to continue in the service of the State as a Trooper.

Continued progress has been accomplished in specialized criminal investigations and more and more local authorities have been calling on this Division for aid. In many counties the District Attorneys have dispensed entirely with investigators of their own and rely on the State Police for all work of this kind. Each barracks is equipped with the most up to date apparatus obtainable in connection with photography and criminal identification, and the sergeants in charge of this equipment have had the benefit of intensive training in the Bureau of Criminal Identification of the New York City Police Department, the New York City Police College as well as the various State Prisons. Improvements are constantly being made in this important line of work as the men who are assigned to it gain by experience, which is the only school wherein a man with a natural bent for scientific criminal investigation can make real progress and perfect himself after he has acquired the elements through hard study of theory and methods

in force in other Police Departments. In connection with this, Inspector Albert B. Moore is to be sent to Europe to study the systems in use in such world-renowned organizations as Scotland Yard and the Paris Surete, and add the material he gathers to the course of training given each year at the New York State Police School.

During the year of 1930 the State Police School conducted by this Division at Troy increased its scope of activities in order to render greater and more complete service to the police profession generally throughout the State. In order to place in the hands of all law enforcing agencies the latest information pertaining to new statutes, amendments to existing laws and court decisions effecting police procedure, a bulletin service was inaugurated and from time to time, as necessity required, such bulletins were distributed to police authorities. Six such bulletins were issued and the response from various Police Departments clearly indicates the value of this method of distributing information. In connection with the state wide municipal zone police training schools, as conducted under the auspices of the New York State Conference of Mayors, the staff of the State Police School again prepared the curriculum and held an instructors' institute during November. Twenty-three police officers representing seventeen municipalities attended this institute for training as police instructors, returning to their respective localities to conduct police training schools during the year of 1931. By request of the Department of Civil Service the school prepared questions and rated examination papers for many police positions coming within the jurisdiction of that department, and in addition thereto assistance was rendered in the conduct of oral examinations for such positions. The eleventh session of the school was conducted from January 6th to February 13th. One hundred and eight peace officers were found qualified to graduate and receive their certificates. This class brought the total number of graduates, since the inception of the school in 1921, to 1412. As a modern means of combatting crime, instruction in the use and handling of the so-called tear gas was given for the first time at this session. In addition, special stress was made with reference to air commerce regulations owing to the apparent necessity for the strict enforcement of laws governing this method of transportation.

The necessity for some means of prompt communication between police agencies throughout this State is very apparent. Such a method must, of course, be considered from the angles of speed and accuracy. Police executives have been giving this subject careful consideration, and at the convention of the New York State Association of Chiefs of Police held at Rochester a resolution was duly adopted and approved calling upon the Legislature

of this State to provide such a system. The teletypewriter service was indicated as the one most desired and the plan as outlined would place such a system under the control of the Division of State Police. Each of the barracks would be a central switching point or control station and from a switch-board in each barracks would radiate circuits connecting municipal police departments and State Police outposts within such district. By means of connecting circuits it would be possible to intercommunicate with each of the other barracks who in turn could communicate with the similar system within their districts. By this means a message originating in the Western part of the State could be transmitted to an Eastern point within a very few minutes and the estimated time to completely cover all machines within the State would be about ten minutes. The contemplated system includes teletypewriter instruments at ninety-seven police points within the State and possible future connection with systems already operating in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Connecticut and Massachusetts as well as those systems now in use in Westchester and Nassau Counties and in the cities of New York and Buffalo. It is believed that the Legislature will act favorably on this request and create such a system to meet the needs of present day law enforcement.

Chapter 272 of the Laws of 1930 provided for Motor Boat Regulation of Motor Boats on the St. Lawrence River, in the interest of accident prevention. A swift patrol boat was purchased early in the season and two Troopers assigned to carry out the provisions of this act which assisted materially in eliminating a dangerous condition.

The detail of 48 men who have been policing the various parks and parkways on Long Island have handled the enormous crowds which visited these park areas, but the number is entirely inadequate to cope with the additional thousands who will undoubtedly take advantage of the new facilities to be opened to the public during the coming summer, notably at Jones Beach. As it is the present force have worked fourteen and fifteen hours a day on Saturdays and Sundays with very little shorter hours during the remainder of the week.

During the autumn many cases of want and suffering, owing to the economic depression in some of the rural portions of the State, came to the notice of members of this Division. In the counties covered by Troop "C" this condition was particularly distressing. A bulletin was issued by Captain Fox of that troop in November instructing all patrols to make a complete canvass of their territory and report immediately any destitute family cases where there might be urgent need of clothing or food. As a result, at Christmas time alone, about \$1,500 was collected and pledges of clothing and foodstuffs were received. By the end of

December the detail of six Troopers who had taken over this relief work in Troop "C" had rendered assistance as follows:

Families aided with Christmas baskets of groceries.....	56
Families aided with clothing.....	43
Total persons aided to date .....	248
Families investigated and not aided.....	25
Persons over 65 years aided.....	18
Aged widows living alone aided.....	7
Women left alone with families aided.....	6
Children in above families.....	18
Families helped with clothing only.....	8

The gratitude of those who were assisted is typified in the following letter which is one of many received:

SIDNEY STAR ROUTE,

*December 22, 1930.*

DEAR STATE TROOPERS:

I want to tell you how pleased we are with the Christmas presents you gave us. My little girl is having a happy time playing out in the new snow with her warm shoes and overshoes on. My older girl is at present sick in bed, but her nice shoes and her warm overshoes help to brighten the days for her. We thank you, not only because we have the nice comfortable articles which we need so much to wear, but we thank you also for your thinking of us and your willingness to help us. Just to know that "somebody cares" is a big help.

The church here usually holds some kind of a Christmas entertainment, so also does the school. The school always has a tree and each child gives a ten cent present to another child. Each child likewise receives a ten cent present, but this year the church and school are both closed on account of scarlet fever, and as we are having mumps we shall have to be shut in on account of our own illness. I have no money this year to spend an extra penny for Christmas. If you had not brightened the Christmas season for us by your presents I am afraid it would be a lonesome day for us.

I hope that you will have the happiest Christmas that you have ever seen, and that the year 1931 will be full of blessings for you; and may He who said: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me," have rewards laid up in Heaven for you.

Sincerely,

(Signed) ALMA M. HENDERSON.

The fine spirit and morale shown by the members of the force have never been on a higher plane. During the coming year it will be the endeavor of every member of the New York State Troopers to render helpful service to the people of this State as in the past, and to continue the constant improvement in this service which has been in evidence since the force was first organized.

JOHN ADAMS WARNER,  
*Superintendent*

### RECORD OF ARRESTS

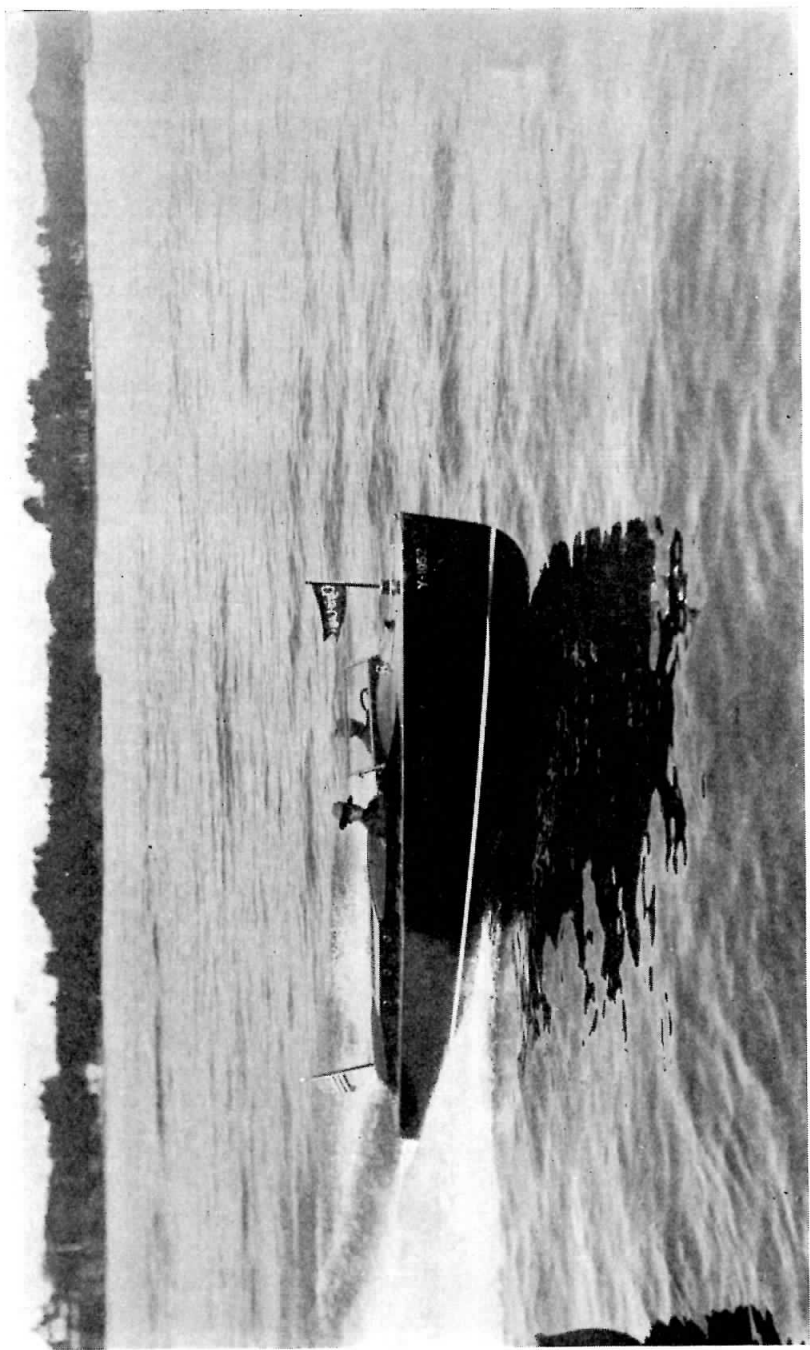
Crime	Arrests	Con- victions	Pending
Abandonment .....	91	60	24
Abduction .....	17	4	9
Abortion .....	4	2	2
Adultery .....	19	7	12
Agricultural Law, violations of.....	3	3	0
Aiding prisoner to escape.....	2	2	0
Animals, cruelty to.....	327	304	5
Arson .....	37	4	29
Assault .....	1,166	771	198
Automobiles, removing identification numbers.	3	0	3
Bastardy .....	8	3	3
Bigamy .....	4	0	4
Billiard Room Law, violations of.....	45	39	0
Breach of peace.....	1	1	0
Burglary .....	538	171	342
Checks, passing worthless.....	8	7	1
Children, abandonment of.....	8	3	4
Children, carnal abuse of.....	2	1	0
Children, endangering life and health of.....	13	10	2
Children, endangering morals of.....	12	7	4
Children, failing to provide for.....	42	28	11
Children, improper guardianship of.....	10	10	0
Children, incorrigible .....	2	2	0
Children, selling liquor to.....	2	2	0
Children, wayward minor.....	18	16	1
Cockfighting .....	87	85	0
Coercion .....	1	1	0
Conservation Law, violations of.....	689	683	3
Conspiracy, criminal .....	3	3	0
Contempt of Court.....	70	55	8
Crime, attempt to commit.....	7	6	0
Crime, threat to commit.....	10	8	0
Defrauding innkeepers .....	177	154	9
Deserters, U. S. Army and Navy.....	29	29	0
Disorderly conduct .....	4,320	4,151	57
Disorderly houses .....	36	9	26
Disorderly persons .....	206	166	22
Domestic Relations Law, violations of.....	9	9	0



Needy Families Cared for by Troopers



Crime	Arrests	Con- victions	Pending
Education Law, violations of.....	21	15	3
Escaped inmates .....	57	57	0
Escaped prisoners .....	24	21	3
Extortion .....	6	2	1
Federal violations, counterfeiting.....	1	0	1
Federal violations, Customs Law.....	1	1	0
Federal violations, Immigration Law.....	24	21	3
Federal violations, Liquor Law.....	505	252	245
Federal violations, Mann Act.....	5	0	5
Federal violations, Motor Vehicle Theft Act..	20	14	2
Federal violations, murder.....	2	0	2
Federal violations, Narcotic Law.....	3	0	3
Federal violations, Postals Law.....	1	1	0
Federal violations, smuggling.....	1	0	1
Firearms, unlawful discharge of.....	10	10	0
Firearms, unlawful sale of.....	1	1	0
Forgery .....	83	23	56
Fraud .....	98	87	3
Fraudulently disposing of mortgaged property	21	12	6
Fraudulently secreting mortgaged property...	35	25	5
Fraudulently taking mortgaged property out of State .....	3	2	0
Fraudulently secreting personal property.....	4	3	0
Fugitive from justice.....	65	63	0
Gambler, common .....	18	18	0
Gambling .....	92	92	0
Gambling devices .....	346	341	2
General Business Law, violations of.....	15	6	9
General Highway Traffic Law, violations of...	1	1	0
Incest .....	10	1	9
Indecency .....	74	68	3
Insanity Law .....	100	100	0
Intoxication, public .....	1,639	1,630	8
Juvenile delinquency .....	382	317	45
Kidnapping .....	1	0	1
Labor Law, violations of.....	43	40	2
Larceny .....	2,718	2,199	282
Lotteries .....	13	13	0
Maiming .....	1	0	1
Malicious mischief .....	235	198	19
Manslaughter .....	45	4	30
Material witness .....	23	4	16
Mental Deficiency Law.....	57	57	0
Murder .....	23	7	11
Navigation Law, violations of.....	5	2	3
Non-support .....	1	1	0
Nuisances .....	153	66	80
Officer, impersonating .....	5	4	1
Officer, interfering with .....	10	9	0
Officer, resisting .....	16	13	1
Officer, threatening an .....	1	1	0
Park ordinances, violations of.....	355	353	0
Parole, violations of.....	40	39	1



Motor Boat Patrol on St. Lawrence River

Crime	Arrests	Con- victions	Pending
Peddling without license.....	11	11	0
Perjury, subornation of.....	3	0	3
Probation, violation of.....	8	8	0
Prostitution, compulsory.....	1	0	0
Public Health Law, violations of.....	1	1	0
Public Safety Law, violations of.....	19	15	1
Rape.....	114	26	79
Receiving stolen goods.....	29	9	20
Robbery.....	105	40	54
Sabbath breaking.....	9	9	0
Seduction.....	2	0	1
Sodomy.....	14	4	9
Town ordinances, violations of.....	21	12	8
Trains, riding on illegally.....	33	33	0
Tramps.....	759	758	0
Trespassing on private property.....	4	4	0
Unlawful entry.....	53	26	17
Vagrancy.....	151	138	12
Vehicle & Traffic Law, violations of.....	37,986	37,257	163
Weapons, carrying concealed.....	64	20	42
Weapons, possessing dangerous.....	20	9	10
Weapons, selling to minors.....	1	1	0
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>54,847</b>	<b>51,391</b>	<b>2,061</b>
Total number of arrests.....	54,847		100%
Total number of convictions.....		51,391	93.7
Cases pending.....		2,061	3.8
Discharged cases.....		1,395	2.5

### STATEMENT OF MILES PATROLLED

Mounted patrols.....	171,888
Motorecycle, automobile, etc.....	6,458,430
<b>Total miles of road patrolled.....</b>	<b>6,630,318</b>
Investigations without arrests.....	80,082
Automobiles recovered.....	524
Sheep-killing dogs killed.....	256
Value of property recovered.....	\$453,153.82
Fines collected.....	\$442,023.63



Fatal Automobile Accident near Whitney Point—Result of Reckless Driving



Rough Riding Exhibition

HIGH SCHOOL HORSE  
MAJOR