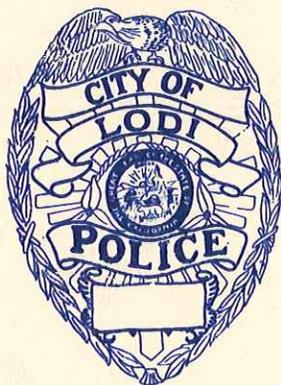


City of Lodi

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

Annual Report for

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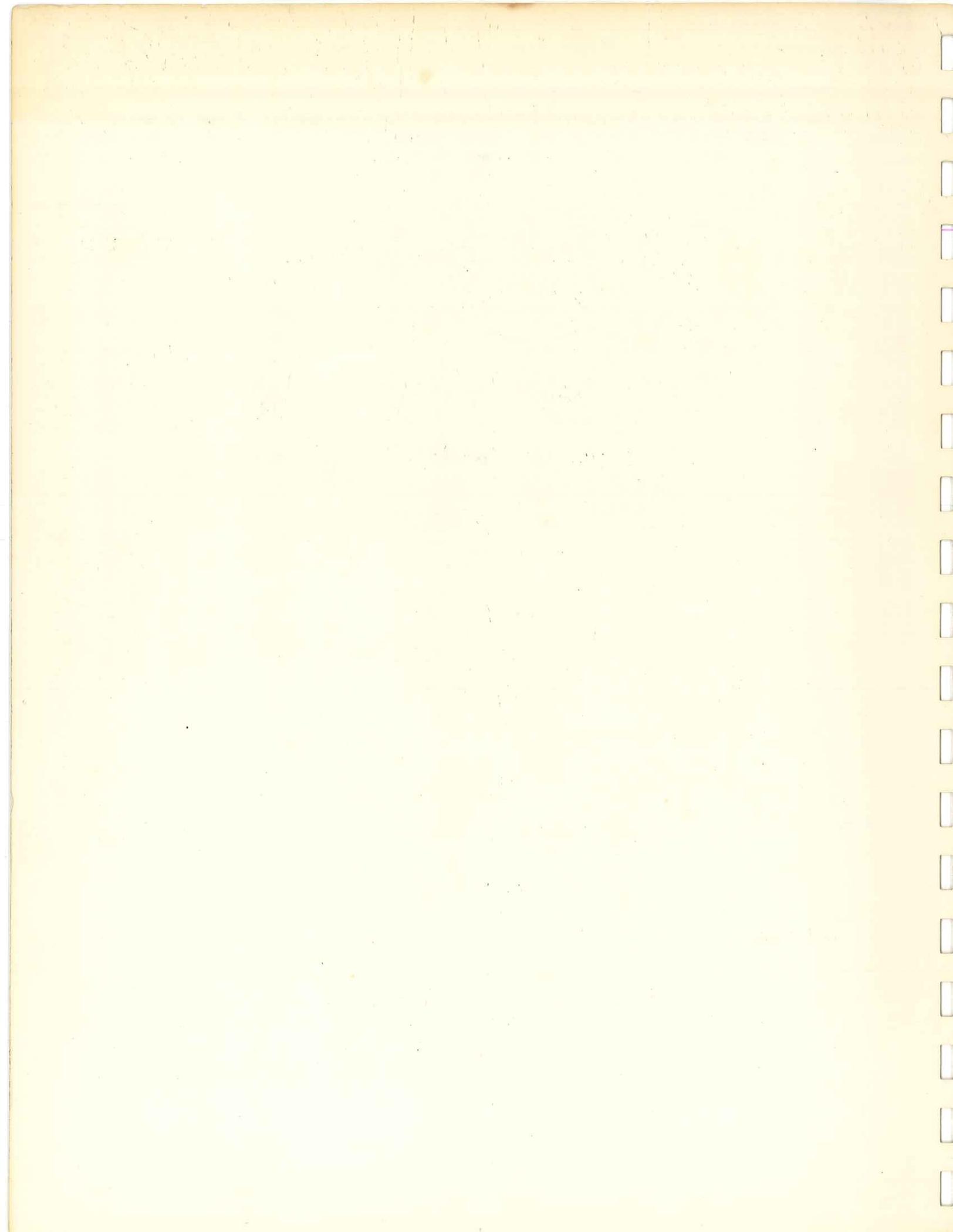
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R. C. "PAT" COON, Chief of Police

Appointed June 23, 1958

CITY OF LODI

POLICE DEPARTMENT

LODI, CALIFORNIA

MARCH I, 1959

HENRY A. GLAVES
City Manager

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MR. HENRY A. GLAVES
CITY MANAGER
LODI, CALIFORNIA

DEAR SIR:

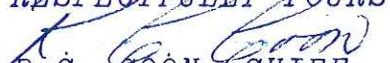
THE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S 1958 ANNUAL REPORT IS HEREBY SUBMITTED FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND REVIEW.

IN RETROSPECT, WE FIND THAT MANY CHANGES OCCURRED IN THE DEPARTMENT DURING 1958. WE WERE GRANTED AN INCREASE IN PERSONNEL, MAKING IT POSSIBLE FOR US TO ADD A FOURTH PATROL BEAT AND PLACE A SECOND METER BIKE IN OPERATION. THE COMPLAINT DESK WAS PLACED UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE UNIFORMED DIVISION AND ALL RECORD FUNCTIONS WERE CONSOLIDATED UNDER ONE HEAD. THE DETECTIVE DIVISION WAS ASSIGNED NEW HOURS, EXTENDING COVERAGE FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 11:00 P.M., EXCEPT ON SUNDAY.

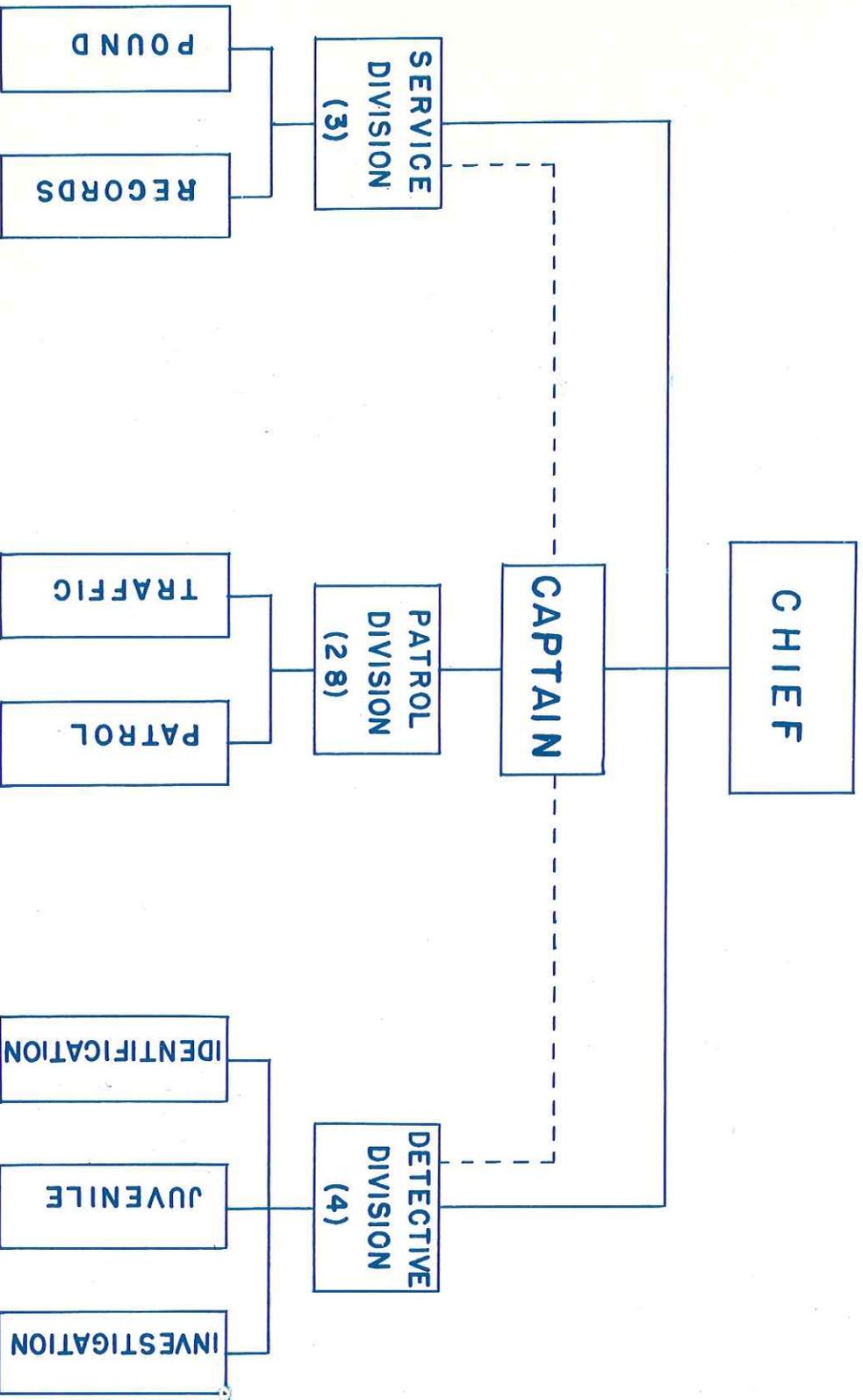
LOOKING TO THE FUTURE, I FEEL THAT OUR MOST PRESSING NEEDS ARE: ADEQUATE QUARTERS, ONE ADDITIONAL CLERK-DISPATCHER AND ONE ADDITIONAL DETECTIVE RATING. I SINCERELY FEEL THAT THESE NEEDS MUST BE MET BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT CAN OPERATE AT MAXIMUM EFFICIENCY.

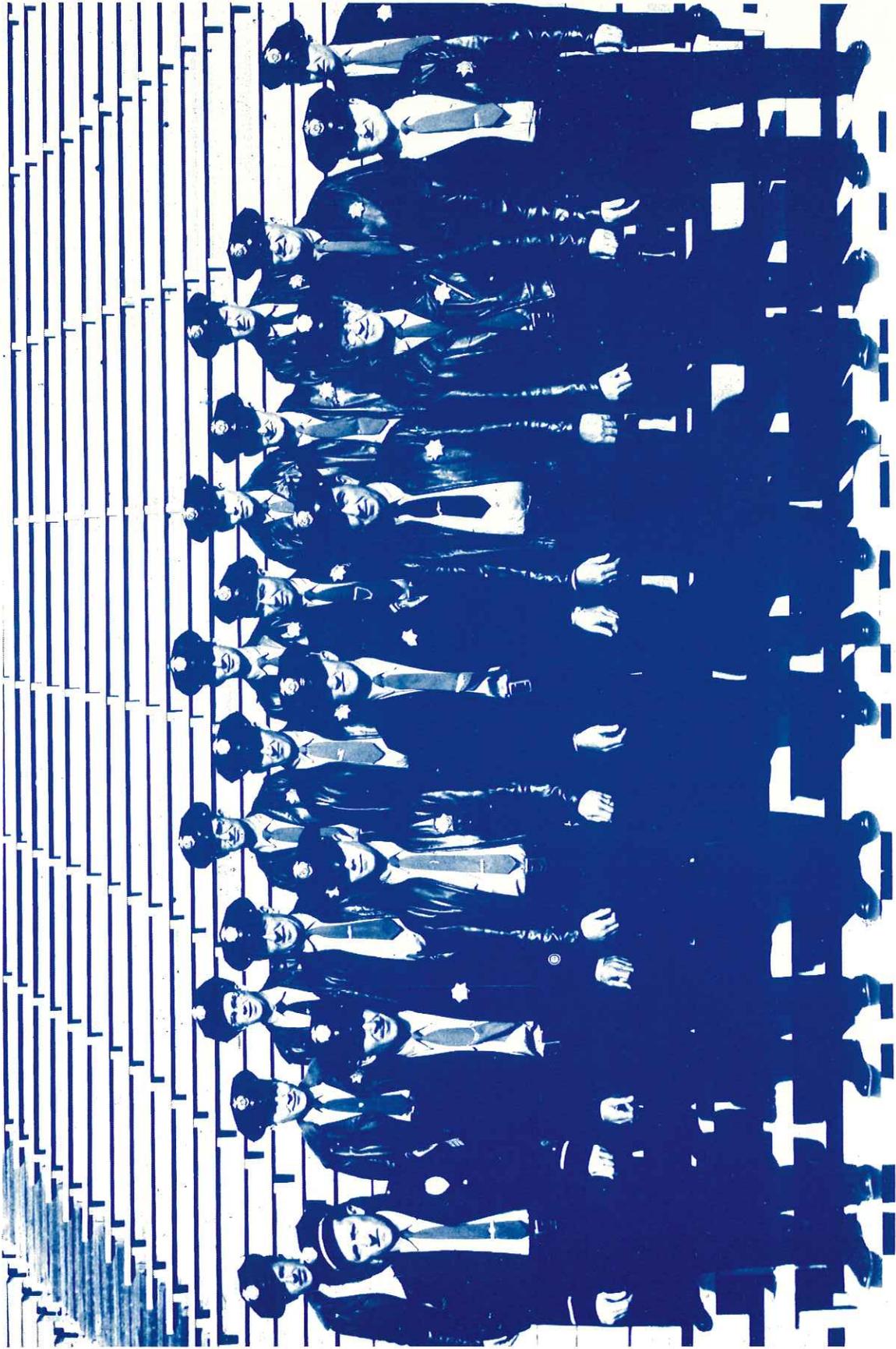
I WISH TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO COMMEND THE PERSONNEL OF THE DEPARTMENT. THEIR SUPPORT AND COOPERATION HAS BEEN OF INVALUABLE HELP TO ME. IN MY OPINION THEY CAN STAND UP UNDER COMPARISON WITH THE VERY BEST IN THE POLICE FIELD.

IN CLOSING, I WISH TO EXPRESS MY THANKS TO YOU AND MR. BROWN, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, FOR THE PATIENCE AND COOPERATION SHOWN ME DURING MY FIRST SIX MONTHS IN OFFICE.

RESPECTFULLY YOURS

R.C. COON, CHIEF

LODI POLICE DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATION CHART





Lodi Police Auxiliary

Lodi Police Department

UNIFORM DIVISION — PATROL SECTION



CAPT. EMIL V. KESZLER
Division Commander

ORGANIZATION AND DUTIES

Twenty-nine men comprise the Patrol Section of the Lodi Police Department: 1 Captain, the Division Commander; 4 Patrol Sergeants; 19 Patrolmen; 2 Meter Patrolmen; and 3 Clerks. These men who patrol the streets of Lodi on a 24 hour around-the-clock basis, are charged with the responsibility of preserving the public peace, protection of life and property, prevention of crime, and enforcement of laws. Wearing distinctive uniforms and driving distinctively marked cars, patrol officers are constantly on the prowl to insure a safer, more liveable Lodi. Night or day, in fair weather or foul, these men patrol the streets of Lodi as a safeguard to its inhabitants. This is accomplished by a systematic and methodical assignment of personnel and lay-out of patrol beats. Three 8 hour shifts are required to afford this protection. Each shift is staffed by 1 Sergeant, 5 patrolmen and 1 clerk.

The efficiency of the Patrol Section is a barometer by which the efficiency of the entire department can be gauged. Therefore it is of the utmost importance that the patrol section be highly trained, be well supervised, and a coordinated unit. We believe the Patrol Section of the Lodi Police Department is such a unit.

Lodi Police Department

UNIFORM DIVISION — PATROL SECTION

PATROL AS A PREVENTIVE MEASURE



The proper function of the Patrol Section of any police department is of prime importance if that department is to attain any degree of success. Beats must be laid out so that the patrol will effectively cover the entire city. The prowl cars must be continually seen in their respective areas. Only in this way will patrol be an effective deterrent of crime.

PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATIONS



The beat patrol officer is usually the first officer at the scene of a crime. He is responsible for the protection of life and property on his beat. The successful outcome of many cases has depended greatly on what action was taken by this officer during the first phase of his investigation. It is of prime importance that this officer have a good working knowledge of the legal aspects and the technical ability for criminal investigation.

APPREHENSIONS



The patrol officers, due to their availability, are the ones who make the greatest number of arrests. During 1958 the Patrol Section made 634 misdemeanor arrests and 40 felony arrests. The arresting officer is responsible for the proper booking of the person arrested, detention, and preparation of the case for court. An error on the officers part may bring embarrassment to the entire city and may result in criminal prosecution or a false arrest suit.

Lodi Police Department

UNIFORM DIVISION — PATROL SECTION

FIELD INTERROGATION AND SECURITY CHECKS



An important factor in keeping the crime rate down is the continuous security checks made by the officers of the Patrol Section. It is absolutely imperative that these checks be made at every opportunity. Every officer is instructed to "check out" all suspicious looking or acting persons. This is especially true between the hours of midnight and dawn, when the majority of our serious crimes occur. In order to obtain a permanent record of persons checked late at night or under suspicious circumstances, a Field Interrogation Report Slip is filled out with the name, address, location of check and other pertinent information.



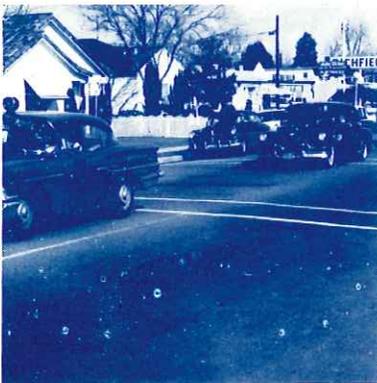
Business houses, vacant homes, and homes temporarily unoccupied are checked regularly by the beat patrol officers. Open windows, doors, and night lights that should be burning, are checked and the proprietor or householder notified if anything of a suspicious nature is discovered.

SERVICES

Along with the numerous other duties of the Patrol Section of the Police Department, a great number of services are performed for the public by the officers. During 1958 a total of 6,503 such services were rendered. These include bank, funeral, and house moving escorts. Whenever large sums of money are to be transported, a request to the department will result in an officer being assigned to safeguard the funds.

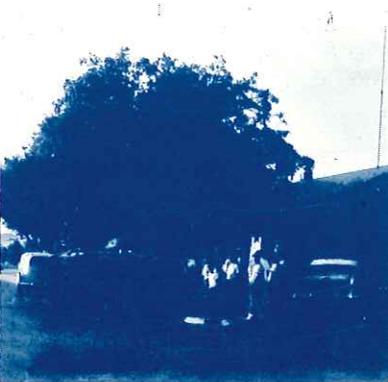
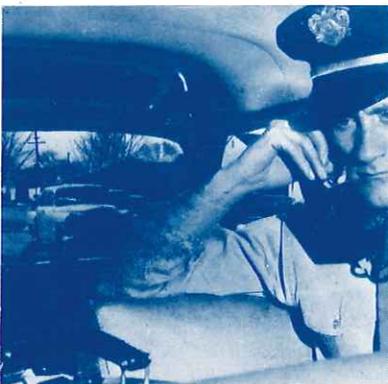
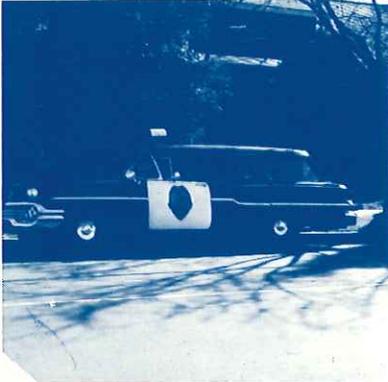
By escorting funeral processions through the business district and dangerous intersections, traffic congestion and accidents are avoided. Such is also the case in house-moving escorts.

During the summer season, while many people are on vacations the department checks homes on a regular schedule. The service is available upon call to the department advising us when your home is unoccupied.



Lodi Police Department

UNIFORM DIVISION — TRAFFIC SECTION



TRAFFIC LAW ENFORCEMENT

An extremely important function of the Uniform Division is the enforcement of traffic laws. A program of strict and impartial enforcement is the policy of this department. Due to the increasing population and more cars, strict enforcement results in control and prevention of auto accidents. 3619 persons were charged with one or more traffic violations during 1958. 2919 drivers were charged with "rolling violations"; speeding, running stop signs and red lights, etc.; 588 drivers were charged with "non-rolling violations"; registration, mechanical defects, etc.

During 1958 a total of 47 drivers were arrested for operating motor vehicles while under the influence of liquor. This was an increase of 34% over the previous year.

13,501 meter citations were issued during 1958 as compared to 10,376 in 1957. This increase can be attributed to the addition of another meter officer during the latter part of the year 1958.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Traffic accidents, long recognized as a major police problem, were decreased 17.25% in 1958 as compared to 1957. Injuries resulting from these accidents were also decreased by 11.6%. During 1958 a total of 337 traffic accidents were investigated in Lodi. As a result of these accidents, 1 person lost her life and 61 persons were injured.

During 1958 a Traffic Accident Investigation Manual was prepared and is now a matter of department policy, as a guide for all uniformed personnel in the investigation of traffic accidents. This manual has resulted in increased efficiency and uniformity in the investigation of traffic accidents. The most frequent cause of accidents in 1958 was "right of way violation" with 24%. The second was "following too closely" with 16%. 4% of the accidents resulted in arrests for driving under the influence of liquor. Another 4% of the accidents were "hit and run" of which 50% were cleared by arrest. Thorough investigation of accidents resulted in 81% of either one or both drivers being arrested or cited for violations. The time between 2:00 P.M. and 6:00 P.M. accounted for 36% of the total accidents; the high frequency period for the year. 71% of the accidents occurred during daylight hours. We feel that a definite improvement in prevention was accomplished during 1958.

Lodi Police Department

DETECTIVE DIVISION



DET.-SGT. MILES W. SPURLING
Division Commander

This Division is comprised of 3 Bureaus, Detective, Identification and Juvenile. The Detective-Sergeant is the commander of the 3 Bureaus. A total of 5 officers are assigned within the Division. During the year 1958, this Division made 123 arrests, of which 33 were for felonies and 90 for misdemeanors. The yearly statistics showed an increased amount of crime and likewise an increase in clearance in many categories.

The Detective Bureau served, or attempted service on 854 warrants, of which 693 were for traffic violations, 116 for misdemeanors, and 42 were of a felony nature. The Bureau conducted 511 investigations during the year. 276 felony cases were investigated and 241 investigations were made for other jurisdictions and local crimes. 123 cases were cleared, numerous cases are presently under investigation and in others, identification of the responsible has been made and warrants have been issued for the subjects arrest. Cases involving the issuing of forged or fictitious checks and other other documents have been prevalent during the year. Records reflecting an increase in this type of crime has caused concern in the department. Necessary action to combat the criminal and protect the citizen from loss have been and will continue to be taken. The administration has re-scheduled the working hours to accommodate the work load and the bureau has officers assigned from 8:00 A.M. until 11:00 P.M. each day

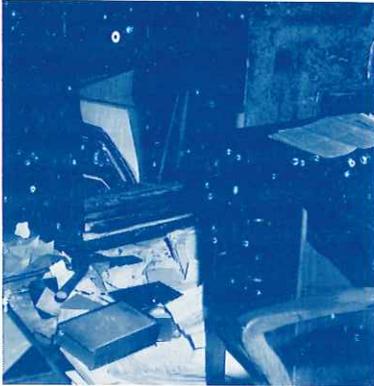
The statistics from the Identification Bureau files are indicative of the increased work load of the Investigations Division. 813 persons arrested during the year were processed by this bureau, however some of these prisoners were "repeaters" and only 557 "mug" shots were taken. 432 criminal complaints were drawn up, each complaint charging one or more prisoners with a violation of the law. 456 prisoners were transported to the County Jail, totaling 9,525 miles and an estimated 571 man hours. 499 photos were taken of crime scenes, traffic accidents, and miscellaneous police cases. 170 copies of checks and other questionad documents were made.

The Juvenile Bureau statistics show a total of 715 youths were handled during 1958. Of this total 611 were boys and 104 were girls. The largest percentage of youths involved with this department during the year were traffic violators. The Juvenile Bureau endeavors to handle the "individual" child, to rationalize what effect the environmental stimuli has had upon the youth toward an aggressive pattern. To this end, the Bureau and the Lodi Police Department are working. It is gratifying to know that you have been instrumental in saving a child from a possible life of crime.

Lodi Police Department

DETECTIVE DIVISION

INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU



One Detective and 1 Patrolman, on special assignment, are assigned to this bureau. This bureau is under the direct command of the Detective-Sergeant. Follow up investigations on all felonies and misdemeanors are made by the bureau, at the request of the patrol division and after the initial investigation has been completed. Liaison is maintained by the bureau with the local court, Superior Courts, and other City, County, State, and Federal agencies. Cooperation and assistance must be maintained with the District Attorney's office to realize the ultimate conviction of criminals.

IDENTIFICATION BUREAU



One officer, an Identification Sergeant, is assigned to this bureau. The responsibility of this bureau centers around the identification of prisoners. This includes the finger-printing, photographing and complete processing of all prisoners arrested by the entire police department. The bureau is also responsible for the detention facilities locally and the transportation of prisoners to the county jail. All departmental criminal complaints are prepared by this bureau as well as arrest reports that must be forwarded to the State and Federal authorities.

JUVENILE BUREAU



One officer is assigned to this bureau. The responsibility of this bureau is handling of juveniles who come in conflict with the law. Dispositions must be made on youths who have been identified with a specific crime, or who by their actions appear to be on the threshold of crime. In order to make disposition in the best interest of the youth and the community, the Juvenile Bureau must be trained in this field and be familiar with the agencies that can best help the juvenile offender. Direct and thorough cooperation must be maintained with the San Joaquin County Probation Office, other juvenile bureaus, and those agencies dedicated to combat delinquency. The Juvenile Bureau also maintains direct contact with all local schools and youth-serving agencies.

Lodi Police Department

DEPARTMENTAL TRAINING

REGULAR PERSONNEL

During the latter part of 1958, the Chief of Police inaugurated a new training program for the police department geared to fit the special needs of most phases of law enforcement in Lodi. To expedite and coordinate the program, the Captain was placed in complete charge of all training. The training program is divided into 3 major categories: Self Improvement training, In-Service Training, and Specialized Training. The Self Improvement Training is aimed at departmental personnel who sincerely wish to improve their knowledge and techniques of law enforcement. They are encouraged to read books from the library maintained by the department. They are also encouraged to enroll at the local high school at night for classes in typing and foreign languages.

In-Service Training is a continuous program of training put on by the department. A minimum of two hours per month of classroom training is mandatory for all personnel. This training is generally the moderator-group-participation type and covers diversified subjects. It also encourages the individual officer to bring up and discuss problems he has encountered. In addition, all personnel are required to shoot at least 100 rounds of ammunition every 3 months in firearms training. This training has resulted in a marked improvement in marksmanship.

Once each year the F.B.I. is requested to conduct a general law enforcement class of one week duration. The F.B.I. has cooperated 100% in these requests and has indicated a sincere desire to continue these yearly refresher courses. They also conduct a yearly firearms training course at the request of the department. This course is of 3 days duration and consists of all types of firearms training, ranging from marksmanship training with the service revolver to the proper use and operation of riot guns. The Specialized Training program is for the benefit of training departmental personnel in specialized fields of law enforcement. Officers have attended special courses in supervisory training, juvenile delinquency control, radiological training, check investigations, techniques of photography, fingerprint classification, police records and budget control, and police planning and research. Colleges and universities are the principal sources of these specialized courses. The California State Department of Education, Bureau of Industrial Education has also been the source of several of these training courses and are utilized to a great extent in planning and conducting the training program for the Lodi Police Department.

With the ever-changing laws and court decisions, training is a necessity, requiring a continuous and planned program.

Lodi Police Department

DEPARTMENTAL TRAINING

AUXILIARY POLICE PERSONNEL

The activities of the Lodi Police Department Auxiliary for 1958 was enhanced by classroom training sessions in a variety of subjects ranging from public relations to new procedures in first aid, self-defense and firearms. A total of 1702 hours were spent assigned to patrol cars with regular officers. Each hour in itself was training the Auxiliary Officer in the proper operation of the emergency vehicle and the probable situations which could arise under disaster conditions, such as shock and emotional stress which are met constantly on patrol duty. They were trained in all phases and conditions which must be met to accomplish a constant control over the peace and safety of a community.

Firearms training, a very essential part of the Auxiliary Police Officers program, accounted for 140 hours accrued by the 25 members of the Auxiliary unit. Training included the use of the 38 caliber handgun, the 12 gauge riot gun, and the 45 calibre machine-gun. Crowd and traffic control utilized the majority of the remaining 687 hours by members of the unit.

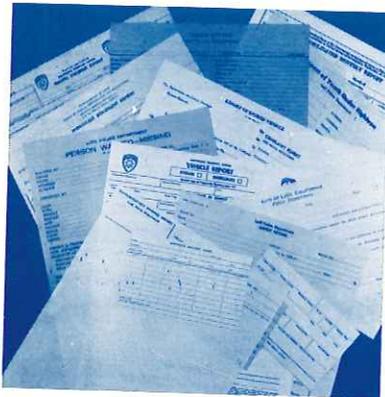
Numerous athletic events gave the Auxiliary Officers many chances to perfect their methods of handling large crowds of people and vehicles. A total of 2529 hours were spent by members of the group for which no material compensation was received.

Lodi Police Department

SERVICE DIVISION — RECORDS BUREAU



SUP. H. F. BRODERICK
Division Commander



RECORDS

The Records Bureau is the official memory of the police department. Proper use of records eases the work of both the Patrol Division and the Detective Division. This Bureau is dedicated to perform this service. A Complaint Report is made on all calls received by the Department, subsequent investigations and action taken is made a part of the report and is available to all supervisors and personnel 24 hours a day. Studies of records by the department administrator serves as a guide to him in the proper distribution of personnel and special attention to areas requiring increased police surveillance due to increased criminal activity.

POLICE REPORTS

Police Reports are complex in nature as they must be complete to the last detail. Information from these reports become the basis for statistics sent to the California State Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation and to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Through the use of forms that have been developed by the Records Bureau, information received by the officer in the field can become a matter of record without being a burden on him in its preparation.

Lodi Police Department

SERVICE DIVISION — RECORD BUREAU

OFFENSES:

	1958	Compared with 1957
REPORTED TO THE POLICE		
DRUNK AND DISORDERLY CONDUCT	631	628
OFFENSES AGAINST PROPERTY (Damage or theft)	822	804
OFFENSES AGAINST PERSONS	34	53
SERVICES (Requested and Rendered)	6,504	6,553
VICE	-----	-----
COMPLAINTS RECEIVED AND ACTED UPON	7,604	7,752
WARRANTS PROCESSED	822	827
Total	<u>16,417</u>	<u>16,617</u>

PART I CRIMES

PERSONS CHARGED AND ARRESTED

MURDER AND MANSLAUGHTER	-----	-----
RAPE (Forcible)	4	1
ROBBERY	12	1
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT (with deadly weapon)	1	5
BURGLARY	12	9
LARCENY (theft)	34	33
AUTO THEFT	12	8
Total	<u>75</u>	<u>57</u>

PART II CRIMES

OTHER ASSAULTS	16	10
FORGERY AND COUNTERFEITING	8	4
EMBEZZLEMENT AND FRAUD	13	6
STOLEN PROPERTY (buying, receiving, possession)	-----	1
WEAPONS (carrying, possessing)	1	1
PROSTITUTION AND COMMERCIALIZED VICE	-----	-----
SEX OFFENSES	4	-----
OFFENSES AGAINST FAMILY AND CHILDREN	5	9
NARCOTIC DRUG LAWS	-----	2
LIQUOR LAWS	50	18
DRUNKENNESS	493	516
DISORDERLY CONDUCT	34	26
VAGRANCY	19	15
GAMBLING	-----	-----
ALL OTHER OFFENSES	34	32
SUSPICION OR HELD FOR INVESTIGATION	1	6
Total	<u>678</u>	<u>646</u>

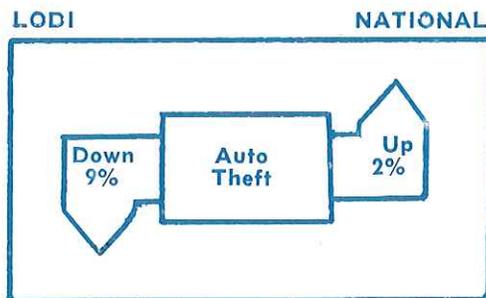
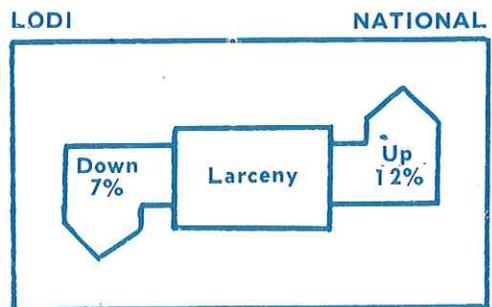
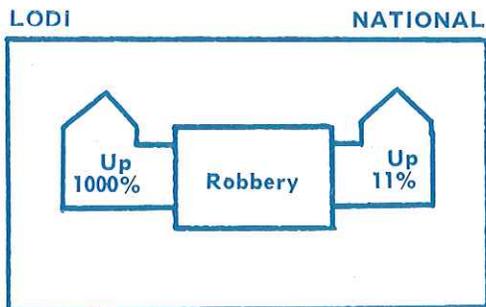
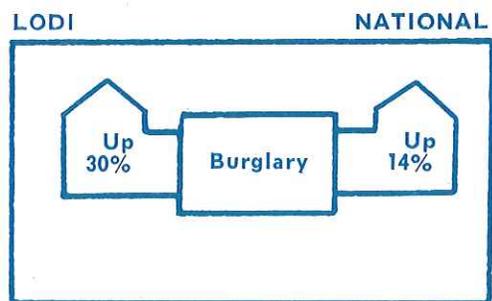
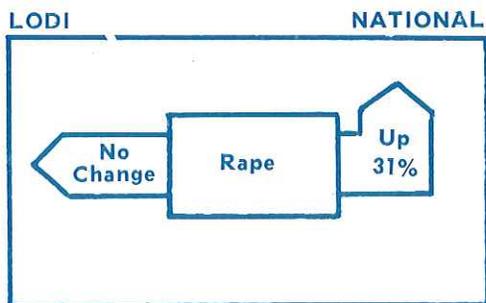
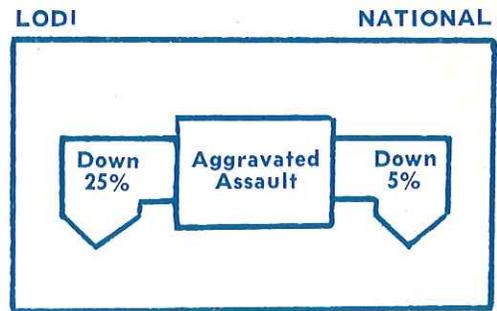
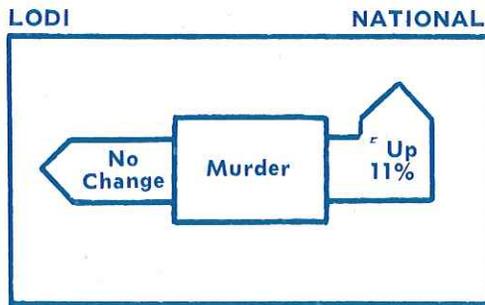
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Lodi Police Department

SERVICE DIVISION

CRIME COMPARISON — Lodi and National Urban Percentage Change — 1958



Lodi Police Department

SERVICE DIVISION

HONORS

Again during 1958 the Lodi Police Department was the recipient of a number of awards for outstanding police work. The International Association of Chiefs of Police, The National Safety Council, The American Automobile Association, and the San Joaquin Safety Council recognized the departmental achievement in traffic safety. Such honors do not come without effort. Credit is due each and every member of the department for it is a team effort that results in such awards.



YOUR POLICE DOLLAR

Authorized Personnel as of December 31, 1958

- 1 Chief of Police
- 1 Captain of Police
- 1 Detective-Sergeant
- 4 Police Sergeants
- 1 Identification Sergeant
- 1 Juvenile Officer
- 1 Detective
- 20 Patrolmen
- 1 Supervising Police Clerk
- 4 Police Clerks
- 1 Poundmaster

36 Total

POLICE BUDGET — 1958

POLICE	\$212,246.00
TRAFFIC	9,555.00
CITY POUND	8,575.00
AUXILIARY	1,200.00

Lodi Police Department

SERVICE DIVISION

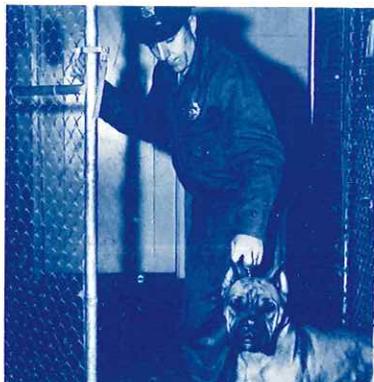
LODI ANIMAL SHELTER



The year 1958 marked the 1st anniversary of the Lodi Animal Shelter. Lodi has truly "led the way" in its humane methods of handling the animal problem. During the year many officials from other cities and from the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals have visited our modern facilities on West Kettleman Lane to study our operations and building facilities. What they have seen has impressed them and many ideas obtained here have been taken back to their own cities and used by them. Much publicity has been given the Animal Shelter in various municipal and S.P.C.A. publications, all pointing to Lodi as a city of vision. We are proud of our Animal Shelter.



During the Year 1958 the Poundmaster Performed the Following Services



DOGS LICENSED	906
CATS LICENSED	403
COMPLAINTS RECEIVED AND ACTED UPON	2908
MILES DRIVEN ON PATROL	10,849
DOGS IMPOUNDED	629
CATS IMPOUNDED	903
MISCELLANEOUS ANIMALS HANDLED	53
TOTAL ANIMALS DISPOSED OF	1248
FEEES COLLECTED	\$2,825.85

Lodi Police Department

IN CONCLUSION

In this report we have attempted to show a complete resume of the operations of the Lodi Police Department. However, to go into detail would take volumes.

We hope that through this report we can bring to the attention of the citizens of our community, the business men of the city, and our legislative and administrative bodies just what they have bought for their police dollar.

We, the members of the Lodi Police Department, are dedicated to render the finest police service to the City of Lodi that can be given.

If there are any questions that have not been answered in this report, we welcome your personal call and will endeavor to answer them at your convenience.