

I. PROMOTIONS

1. The following promotions which became effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, September 6th, 1950, are hereby announced:

Captain James J. Flanagan, Engine Co. 3 to District Chief  
Captain John J. McHugh, Engine Co. 29 to District Chief  
Lieutenant James J. Gallivan, Ladder 1 to Captain  
Hoseman Edward J. Hurley, Engine Co. 4 to Lieutenant

II. ASSIGNMENTS AS ENGINEER, MOTOR SQUAD

1. The following assignments which became effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, August 30th, 1950, are hereby announced:

Ladderman Don Civitarese, Maintenance Division to Engineer,  
Motor Squad  
Hoseman Alfred J. Cataldo, Maintenance Division to Engineer,  
Motor Squad  
Hoseman George H. King, Maintenance Division to Engineer,  
Motor Squad

III. TRANSFERS

1. The following transfer of members, effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, September 13, 1950, is hereby announced:

District Chief Edward T. Lynch	from District 2 to District 1
District Chief Richard A. Ash	from District 14-15 to District 2
District Chief James J. Flanagan	from Engine 3 to District 14
District Chief John J. McHugh	from Engine 29 to District 14-15
Captain James C. Wilson	from Ladder 3 to Engine 3
Captain Frederick P. Clauss	from Engine 41 to Ladder 3
Captain John J. McGowan	from Ladder 14 to Engine 41
Captain James J. Gallivan	from Ladder 1 to Ladder 14
Lieutenant Daniel P. Collins	from Ladder 27 to Ladder 1
Lieutenant Edward J. Hurley	from Engine 4 to Ladder 27
Hoseman Michael J. Giunta	from Engine 23 to Engine 17
Hoseman James J. Loftus	from Engine 16 to Engine 23
Hoseman John J. McLaughlin	from Engine 44 to Tower 2
Hoseman William H. Fay	from Engine 53 to Ladder 28
Hoseman Gerald F. Roche	from Engine 36 to Engine 53
Hoseman James G. Costello	from Engine 49 to Engine 28
Hoseman John G. Moriarty	from Engine 28 to Rescue 2
Hoseman James F. Sullivan	from Engine 37 to Ladder 26
Ladderman James W. Hounsell	from Ladder 26 to Engine 37
Ladderman George N. Norris	from Ladder 28 to Engine 44

IV. CHANGES IN DESIGNATION OF G.A.C. SIGNALS

1. Notice has been received from the General Alarm Corporation of the following changes in designations of G.A.C. signals:  
Signals #271, 273, 274 -- should read, (Meldan Co., Inc.)  
in place of Stop and Shop, Inc.

O.K.  
Capt. J. Hurley

## V. LIEUTENANT PATRICK F. CARROLL

1. It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death, on September 5th, 1950, of Lieutenant Patrick F. Carroll of Engine Co. 18. Lieutenant Carroll was appointed to the department December 14, 1917 and was promoted to the grade of Lieutenant July 9, 1937.
2. The funeral was held from the Mulry Funeral Home, 2 King Street, Dorchester, at 8:00 A. M., Friday, September 8th, 1950, followed by services in St. Brendan's Church, Gallivan Boulevard, Dorchester, at 9:00 A. M.
3. The Acting Chief of Department made the customary detail to act as a funeral escort, and the members of Engine Co. 18 were excused from duty in order to attend the services.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER

DANIEL MARTELL  
ACTING CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT

I. FRANCIS E. SULLIVAN

1. It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death, on September 7, 1950, of Engineer Francis E. Sullivan of the High Pressure Service. Engineer Sullivan was appointed to the department July 16, 1937.
2. The funeral was held from the William Higgins Funeral Home, 520 East Broadway, South Boston, at 9:00 A. M., Monday, September 11, 1950, followed by services at St. Brigid's Church, East Broadway, at 10:00 A. M.
3. The Acting Chief of Department made the customary detail to act as funeral escort.

II. WILLIAM MCQUARRIE

1. It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death, on September 9, 1950, of Hoseman William McQuarrie of Engine Co. 54. Hoseman McQuarrie was appointed to the department June 21, 1918.
2. The funeral was held from his late home, 3 Monadnock Street, Dorchester at 1:00 P. M., September 12, 1950, followed by services in the Roxbury Presbyterian Church, Warren Street, Roxbury at 2:00 P. M.
3. The Acting Chief of Department made the customary detail to act as funeral escort.

III. DEMOTION

1. The following demotion, at his own request, which will become effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, September 13, 1950, is hereby announced:

Aide to Superintendent Joseph L. Hurrie, Maint. Div., to Hoseman

IV. ELECTION OF OFFICERS - CHARITABLE ASSOCIATION

1. The attention of the members of the department is called to Article 5 of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Charitable Association of the Boston Fire Department concerning nomination of Trustees of this organization. Section 1, Article 5, has been suspended by vote of the trustees.
2. The Board of Chiefs and each District of the Fire Fighting Force of the Boston Fire Department, including District 16 (so-called) and the Boston Protective Department, shall submit the name of any candidate or candidates for the office of Trustee of the Association to the Secretary on or before the first Monday in November this year.
3. Attention of members is called to the fact that it does not mean a man from each house unless a member decides to be a candidate.



4. Nominations should be sent to the Secretary, Thomas F. McGowan at Headquarters.
5. From the list of nominations received, there shall be elected on the third Monday in December, one Trustee to represent the Board of Chiefs, two trustees in each district to represent the Fire Fighting Force, and one trustee to represent the Boston Protective Department.
6. A man must be a member of the Charitable Association before October 1, 1950 in order to become eligible to vote.

#### V. RESULTS OF ELECTION - BOSTON FIREMEN'S RELIEF FUND

1. The following information is promulgated for the information of the department.
2. The Election Committee appointed by the Fire Commissioner, in accordance with Chapter 186 of the Acts of 1949, to conduct the election of Trustees to the Boston Firemen's Relief Fund presents the results of the election held at Fire Headquarters, on Monday, September 11, 1950, as follows:

District Chief Robert M. Walsh	1067*
Lieutenant Francis X. Brown	1017*
Hoseman John E. Burwell	1002*
Aide to Deputy William H. McClennan	984*
Ladderman John F. Holland	784
Hoseman Robert E. Regan	720
Ladderman Hollis J. Leary	718
District Chief Charles D. Travis	683
Hoseman Charles A. Newell	82
Leonard P. Francis, Protective Dept.	33*

NUMBER OF BALLOTS CAST - 1754

\*ELECTED

3. The Commissioner commends the members of the Committee for the fine and impartial manner in which the election was conducted and further wishes to congratulate the entire membership of the department for the decorum maintained during voting hours.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER

Daniel Martell  
Acting Chief of Department

GENERAL ORDERS  
NO. 50

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT  
BOSTON, SEPTEMBER 15, 1950

### I. SALVATION ARMY

1. With this General Order there is being issued to each house and branch division of the department a subscription blank and envelope of the Salvation Army.
2. Company commanders are requested to call the attention of members of their companies to the Annual Maintenance Appeal of the Salvation Army and accept such donations as the members wish to give. All members of the department know of the excellent service rendered by the Salvation Army in connection with multiple alarm fires and also their fine record giving assistance to needy persons.
3. The blanks are to be returned, with money sealed in the envelopes provided, to Miss Eleanor J. Cunniff at Headquarters on any weekday, except Saturday, between the hours of 9 and 11 A.M. Final date for receiving contributions will be September 29, 1950.

### II. DISCONTINUANCE OF BOSTON AUTOMATIC SIGNAL

1. Notice has been received from the Boston Automatic Fire Alarm Company that the following signal has been discontinued:

Signal 345 - Building, 529-531 Atlantic Avenue

### III. TRANSFERS

1. The following transfers which will become effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, September 20, 1950 are hereby announced:

Captain Gerald L. Cremin	from Engine 16 to Ladder 28
Captain Edward F. Sullivan	from Ladder 27 to Engine 16

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER

Daniel Martell  
Acting Chief of Department

I: REINSTATEMENT

1. The following reinstatement, in accordance with Section 19, of Chapter 521 of the Acts of 1922, which will become effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, September 20, 1950, is hereby announced:

Captain John P. Buckley to Engine Co. 29

II: CHANGE IN TIME

1. Under the Daylight-saving Law, time will be retarded one ( 1 ) hour at 2:00 A. M., Sunday, September 24, 1950. At that time, clocks in all department houses will be set back one ( 1 ) hour.
2. All tower clocks without striking mechanisms will be set back at 6:30 A. M. All tower clocks with striking mechanisms will be stopped at 6:30 A. M. for one ( 1 ) hour and then started.
3. Only men who are regularly assigned to wind clocks should be detailed to change tower clocks.

III: NEW ASSIGNMENT CARDS

1. As announced in General Orders No. 32, c. s., new Assignment Cards are being issued today for the following boxes:

- 2194 - Harrishof and Haley Streets
- 2483 - Pond and Rockwood Streets
- 2484 - Pond Street and Hopkins Road
- 3473 - Minot and Hallet Streets
- 378 - Truman Highway and Garfield Avenue
- 3786 - Washington Street and Needham Road
- 3787 - Truman Highway and Tyler Street
- 3789 - Truman Highway and Washington Street
- 3817 - Beaver Street and Braeburn Road
- 3818 - Myopia Road, opposite No. 32
- 4174 - Rutherford Avenue, opposite Thorndike Street
- 5264 - Market and Waverly Streets

IV: ACTING DISTRICT CHIEF

1. Captain James C. Wilson of Engine Co. 3 is hereby designated as Acting District Chief of District 7, effective as of 8:00 A. M., September 15, 1950.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER

Daniel Martell

Acting Chief of Department



I: LETTER OF APPRECIATION

1. The following letter, received by the Fire Commissioner, is hereby promulgated for the information of the department:

" 2035 Commonwealth Avenue  
Brighton, Mass.  
September 10, 1950

Michael T. Kelleher  
Fire Commissioner  
Boston, Mass.

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

It is with everlasting gratitude that I acknowledge thru you my heartfelt thanks and appreciation to the following men: Private William Doherty, Private John F. Shannon, Private William Murphy, Private David J. Hansford, Engine 1 and Ladder 5, District 6, South Boston, and Lieutenant John F. Doherty, Ladder 18, for answering an appeal for blood donors for my son, Albert L. McGeorge, who underwent very serious stomach surgery on July 10, at Carney Hospital, South Boston.

Thru their generosity, an operation was a success, and a life spared, after many, many hours of uncertainty. Surely, indeed, such young men, willing to give their blood in an emergency, to a dangerously ill unknown, deserve commendation from their superiors - and from us, their benefactors, our prayers always to a Loving Father, that He will never be outdone in generosity towards them, because as He said in so doing, "You did it unto Me."

Thru you, Mr. Commissioner, please extend to them, our everlasting thanks for a debt of gratitude, which shall never be forgotten.

With the best of wishes for the success and advancement of these men in the department, I am, indeed,

Gratefully,

( signed ) Mrs. Albert L. McGeorge "

II: RESIGNATIONS

1. The following resignations, which became effective at 8:00 A. M., September 19, 1950, are hereby announced:

Hoseman James T. Prendergast

Engine Co. 14

Hoseman Vincent J. Kilduff

Rescue Co. 2

Hoseman Roland P. Sferrazza

Rescue Co. 2

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER

Daniel Martell

Acting Chief of Department



### I. LIEUTENANT ROY E. BURRILL

1. It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death of Lieutenant Roy E. Burrill of Ladder Co. 14 who was killed in the performance of his duties during a fire at Box 5235 on September 23, 1950. Lieutenant Burrill was appointed to the department October 16, 1940 and was promoted to the grade of lieutenant April 13, 1949.
2. The funeral was held from the Norris G. Davis Funeral Home, 89 Walnut Avenue, Roxbury on Tuesday, September 26, 1950 followed by services at the Twelfth Baptist Church, Shawmut Avenue and Windsor Street, Roxbury at 1:00 P. M.
3. The Acting Chief of Department made the detail to act as funeral escort and the members of Ladder Co. 14 were excused from duty to attend the services.

### II. WILLIAM R. BENSON

1. It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death, on September 23, 1950, of Ladderman William R. Benson of Ladder Co. 14 who was killed during the performance of his duties as a member of the Fire Department at Box 5235. Ladderman Benson was appointed to the department January 22, 1947.
2. The funeral was held from his late home, 72 Perthshire Road, Brighton at 8:00 A. M., Tuesday, September 26, 1950, followed by services at Our Lady of Presentation Church, 676 Washington Street, Brighton, at 9:00 A. M.
3. The Acting Chief of Department made the detail to act as funeral escort and the members of Ladder Co. 14 were excused from duty to attend the services.

### III. ASSIGNMENT OF MEN ON PROBATION

1. The following assignments of Men on Probation which will become effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, September 27, 1950 are hereby announced:

Anthony C. Ciampa	to Engine Co. 11
Anthony J. Serra	to Engine Co. 4
James L. Collins	to Engine Co. 49
John P. Fleming, Jr.	to Engine Co. 55
John J. Hurley, Jr.	to Engine Co. 16
George F. LeBlanc	to Engine Co. 36
Francis J. Belmore	to Engine Co. 39 ✓

### IV. ASSIGNMENT AS AIDES

1. The following assignment which became effective at 8:00 A.M., Wednesday, September 13, 1950 is hereby announced:  
  
Aide to Deputy Chief John F. Holland, Ladder Co. 13 to  
Aide to Superintendent of Maintenance
2. The following assignment which became effective at 8:00 A.M., Wednesday, September 13, 1950 is hereby announced:  
Hoseman James H. Donnelly, Engine Co. 17 to Aide to Deputy Chief

## V. TRANSFERS

1. The following transfers will become effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, September 27, 1950:

Aide to Supt. of Maint. John F. Holland from Ladder 13 to Maint.  
Aide to Deputy Chief James H. Donnelly from Engine 17 to Lad. 13  
Hoseman Joseph L. Hurrie from Maint. Div. to Rescue 1  
Ladn. Edward F. McDonald from Ladder 31 to Engine 46  
Ladn. John C. Sullivan from Ladder 17 to Ladder 32  
Ladn. Richard J. Higgins from Ladder 32 to Ladder 17

## VI. G.A.C. ASSIGNMENT

1. The following signal number shall be added to running cards of the General Alarm Corporation in this department:

*O.K. Capt. Thompson*  
Signal 382 - Rust Craft Publishers, 1000 Washington Street  
(Manual Fire Alarm) Apparatus to respond:  
Engine 26, Ladder 17, District Chief 7.  
Nearest box is 1622

## VII. CHANGE IN A.D.T. ASSIGNMENT

1. Company commanders shall make the following change in assignment to A. D. T. Signal #449:

Drop Engine 3 & Ladder 3; Add Engine 26 and Ladder 17

## VIII. COMMENDATIONS

1. Hoseman John H. Shea of Rescue Co. 1 is hereby commended for responding to and working at fire, Box 1433 on September 21, 1950, while off duty.
2. Hoseman Louis C. Liberatore of Engine Co. 26 is hereby commended for responding to and working at fire, Box 1461, on September 21, 1950, while off duty.
3. Ladderman Martin H. Mullen of Ladder Co. 17 is hereby commended for responding to and working at fire, Box 1461, and also at fire, Box 1433, on September 21, 1950, while off duty.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER

Daniel Martell  
Acting Chief of Department

GENERAL ORDERS  
NO. 54

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT  
BOSTON, SEPTEMBER 28, 1950

I. CONTRIBUTION

1. The Fire Commissioner is pleased to announce receipt of two checks, from the Boston Police Relief Association, for one hundred (\$100.00) dollars each, for the families of the late Lieutenant Roy E. Burrill and Ladderman William R. Benson, members of Ladder Co. 14, who were killed in the performance of their duties at a fire in Allston on Saturday, September 23, 1950.
2. This is a most considerate and generous contribution, and the Fire Commissioner, on behalf of the families of the deceased firefighters, takes this opportunity to express his sincere thanks to the members of the Boston Police Relief Association.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER

Daniel Martell  
Acting Chief of Department



GENERAL ORDERS  
NO. 55

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT  
BOSTON, OCTOBER 3, 1950

I. ASSIGNMENT

1. The following assignment of Man on Probation (2nd Engineer) which will become effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, October 4, 1950 is hereby announced:

Gerard F. Walton to Engine Co. 44

II. RETIREMENTS

1. The following retirements which will become effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, October 4, 1950 are hereby announced:

Captain Arthur A. Nixon	Ladder Co. 25
Captain James F. Orpin	Engine Co. 36

2. Captain Nixon was appointed to the department June 9, 1909 and was promoted to the grade of Lieutenant May 28, 1927 and to Captain August 5, 1938. Captain Orpin was appointed to the department November 4, 1927 and was promoted to the grade of Lieutenant October 16, 1940 and to Captain December 10, 1947. Both these men leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

III. UNITED STATES NAVAL RESERVE

1. Rear Admiral Hewlett Thebaud, Commandant of the First Naval District announced on Friday, September 29, 1950 that local police and firemen who are members of the United States Naval Reserve will be deferred from active duty upon application.
2. Members of the Boston Fire Department who are also members of the United States Naval Reserve are expected to apply for such deferment.

IV. A.D.T. ASSIGNMENTS

1. The following assignment is to be added to the running cards of the A. D. T. Company in this department:

Signal 136 - Building, 166-174 Portland Street. (SPRINKLER)  
Apparatus to respond: Engine 6, Ladder 24,  
District Chief 4. Nearest box is 1315.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER

John F. McDonough  
Chief of Department.

I. FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

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1. In recognition of the Proclamation of the President of the United States and the Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Fire Prevention Week will be observed in the City of Boston from October 8 to 14 inclusive.
2. An organized campaign to emphasize the importance of fire prevention is being undertaken by the Boston Fire Department, by means of a series of activities, concentrated into the Fire Prevention Week period.
3. Fire stations shall be open to the public between the hours of 12 Noon and 9 PM for inspection of the premises and for the conveyance of information concerning fire department functions and fire prevention matters. When citizens come to a station during Fire Prevention Week, the man on house patrol shall summons the commanding officer who should be available and ready to either show the visitors around the quarters and to answer questions regarding the department, or to have a suitable person assigned to this duty.
4. Children under 12 years of age should not be allowed in the fire stations unless accompanied by adults.
5. Canvas signs giving notice that Fire Prevention Week is in progress should be displayed from fire stations. Most stations have these signs in their possession from exhibitions of previous years and it is the responsibility of company officers to see to it that these signs are kept in good condition from year to year. Signs should be displayed from Sunday to Saturday.
6. District Chiefs are required to take an active interest in the fire prevention program in the following manner:
  - (A) By arranging special visits to plants and large industrial premises in their districts during the week and arranging to have a special fire drill held during Fire Prevention Week, particularly where there are now fire brigades already existing. Notices of the date of the fire drill held and the rating of the drill as either "Fair", "Poor" or "Good", should be forwarded to the Fire Prevention Division so that a summary may be made of the number and location of industrial fire drills conducted in the City of Boston during Fire Prevention Week, on each day of the week.
  - (B) All public and private schools within each District should be visited by a District Chief or such officers as may be detailed by the District Chief to assist in this work. School fire drills are to be held and permission should be obtained for the presentation of a five-minute talk on the subject of fire and fire prevention at an assembly of the pupils. Such talks should not be read from any manuscript or printed pamphlet, but should be delivered directly by the District Chief or by some uniformed member of the Fire Department capable of presenting such a talk effectively and promptly.

- (C) Home inspection blanks should be provided to various school principals or head masters for distribution and collection by the Teacher-Fire Councillor of the building. Collection of the filled-out home inspection blanks from Teacher-Councillors by the Fire Department is an important feature of the use of these forms and should not be neglected. A list of the schools from which such forms have been collected should be forwarded to the Fire Prevention Division on or before October 24th.
- (D) Officers assigned by the District Chief to deliver addresses in schools likewise should be assigned to attend Rotary Clubs, Kiwanis, Board of Trade and other neighborhood and local organization functions, including women's club meetings in the district held during the week or if no meeting is scheduled during the week to attend any meeting held during the month of October. Chief officers should know the various representative social organizations in the community and should keep a list of them for reference at such times when fire prevention messages of importance to the community are to be conveyed to such organizations quickly.
7. Throughout the week all firemen are to pay special attention to the observance of fire hazards and to the duty of observing and locating fire hazards along the route followed by them in their coming to and going from daily work. Dilapidated buildings, rubbish accumulations, and other hazards should be reported to the Fire Prevention Division. The public expects uniformed members of the Fire Department to know something about fire prevention work and to have an interest in this subject, since they are public employees engaged in this field. Firemen, therefore, during Fire Prevention Week, should have this subject uppermost in their minds and they should not pass by any fire hazard at any time without making a note of it for reference to the Fire Prevention Division. In short, every uniformed man in the Fire Department is a fire prevention inspector at all times.
8. An extensive program of radio broadcasts, news releases, store window displays, public exhibitions, has been arranged for Fire Prevention Week, notice of which will appear through the usual channels.

BY ORDER OF ACTING FIRE COMMISSIONER JOHN F. MCDONOUGH

Patrick E. Collins  
Acting Chief of Department.



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I. RELOCATION OF FIREBOAT ENGINE 31 (JAMES F. MCTIGHE)

1. Fireboat Engine 31, James F. McTighe, will be relocated from its present quarters, City Wharf, foot of Battery Street, Boston, to the new fireboat pier at the Castle Island Terminal, South Boston, District 6, Division II. Dedication exercises will be held at 10:00 A. M., Wednesday, October 11th at the new fireboat pier. His Honor the Mayor, the Fire Commissioner, officials, guests and members of the press will board Fireboat Engine 31 at the old quarters, City Wharf, at 9:45 A. M., Wednesday. Fireboats Engines 44 and 47 will escort Engine 31 to her new location and upon arrival will conduct a colored water display.

2. In connection with this relocation the following changes in assignments of the several mainland boxes and the phantom boxes located on the islands of Boston Harbor are hereby announced effective at 8:00 A. M., Thursday, October 12, 1950:

Boxes: 1211, 1232, 1234, 1314, 4112, 4122, 4125, 4147, 4148,  
4162, 4164, 4166, 4168, 419, 4191, 4193, 4211, 4221,  
4231, 4241, 4251, 6178, 6179, 6181, 6184, 6186, 6211,  
6212

Second alarm cover: Engine 31 to Engine 47

Boxes: 1235, 1242, 1245, 1246, 1247, 6131, 6132, 6133, 6134,  
6135, 6136, 6151, 6152, 6156, 6157, 6163, 6173, 6174,  
6175, 6177

Second alarm: Drop Engine 31. Add Engine 44

Second alarm cover: Add Engine 31 to Engine 47

Boxes: 1257, 1292, 1293, 1294, 1295, 1411, 71, 7115, 7132

First alarm: Drop Engine 31. Add Engine 47

Second alarm cover: Add Engine 31 to Engine 47

Boxes: 1626, 1634

First alarm: Drop Engine 31. Add Engine 47

Second alarm: Drop Engine 44. Add Engine 31

Boxes: 7113, 7114, 7116, 7117, 7122, 7128

First alarm: Drop Engine 31. Add Engine 47

Second alarm: Drop Engine 44. Add Engine 31

Box 7123, 7124, 7127

Second alarm: Drop Engine 44. Add Engine 47

Boxes: 7500 Series

Second alarm: Drop Engine 44. Add Engine 47

Boxes: 7600 Series

First alarm to fire: Drop Engines 6, 8, 25, Ladders 1, 8. Dist. 4  
Add Engines 2, 15, 43, Lads. 19, 20, Dist. 6

*Handwritten signature/initials*

First alarm covering: Drop Engines 3-8, 20-43, 43-25  
Drop Ladders 3-1, 20-8  
Add Engines 13-15, 20-2, Lad. 3-19

Second alarm to fire: Drop Engines 3, 43, 39, Ladders 3, 20, 18,  
Div. I. Add Engines 8, 6, 25, 50,  
Ladders 1, 8. District 4

Second alarm coverings: Drop Engines 2-39, 18-43, 20-25, 50-8  
Drop Ladders 10-8  
Add Engines 3-25, 5-8, 32-50  
Add Ladders 12-1, 18-8, 30-12

So that the new assignments to boxes of the 7600 series shall read as follows:

ENGINE	LADDER	FIRST ALARM DIST.	ENG. COVERING	LAD. COVERING
2,15,43,31	19,20	6	13-15, 20-2	3-19
		SECOND ALARM		
8,6,25,50,47	1,8	4	3-25,5-8, 32-50	12-1,18-8 30-12

The following correction shall be made on assignment card 7611:

FIRST ALARM: District Chief 6, Engine companies with hose wagon only and ladder companies shall respond to the quarters of Engine 31. Ladder trucks shall be left in quarters. Members of Ladder 19 will respond with Engine 2 and members of Ladder 20 will respond with Engine 43. The Chief and companies will board the fireboat. Apparatus will be returned to quarters and placed out of service until the return of companies. Chauffeur for district chief shall return car the the Acting District Chief of Dist. 6.

Each company will take two (2) Chemox Masks assigned to respective company.

SECOND ALARM: District Chief 4, Engine companies with hose wagon only and ladder companies shall respond to the quarters of Engine 47. Ladder trucks shall be left in quarters. Members of Ladder 1 will respond with Engine 8. Members of Ladder 8 will respond with Engine 25. The companies will board the fireboat. Apparatus will be returned to quarters and placed out of service until the return of the companies. Chauffeur for district chief shall return car to the Acting Chief of District 4.

Each company will take two (2) Chemox Masks assigned to respective company.

Box 631 - First Alarm: Drop Engine 47. Add Engine 31  
Second Alarm: Drop Engine 31. Add Engine 47

3. Due to the relocating of Fireboat Engine 31, the islands in Boston Harbor, namely, Long, Rainsford, Gallup's, George's, Lovell's, Spectacle, Thompson's shall be transferred from District No. 4 to District No. 6. Also, Engine Co. 54 and Ladder Co. 33 shall be transferred from District No. 4 to District No. 6 effective at 8:00 A. M., Thursday, October 12, 1950.

4. Section (c) of Rule 247 of the Department Rules and Regulations shall be amended to read as follows:

"If Engine 47: Engine 44 will assume the former's first alarm assignments; Engine 31 confining themselves to their regular assignments, except in the event of Engine 44 being at a fire covering Engine 47, then Engine 31 will assume Engine 44's first alarm assignments."

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER

John V. Stapleton  
Acting Chief of Department



I: LIEUTENANT THOMAS H. KELLY, JR.

1. It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death, on October 6, 1950, of Lieutenant Thomas H. Kelly, Jr., of Ladder Co. 7. Lieutenant Kelly was appointed to the Fire Department June 30, 1913 and was promoted to the grade of Lieutenant February 5, 1947.
2. The funeral was held from the Mulry Funeral Home, 2 King Street, Dorchester, on Monday, October 9, 1950, followed by services at St. Mark's Church, Dorchester Avenue, at 9:00 A. M.
3. The acting Chief of Department made the customary detail to act as a funeral escort and the members of Ladder Co. 7 were excused from duty in order to attend the services.

II: PROMOTIONS

1. The following promotions which will become effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, October 11, 1950, are hereby announced:  
Ladderman Francis L. McLaughlin, Ladder Co. 3, to Lieutenant  
Hoseman Daniel L. McCarthy, Engine Co. 18, to Lieutenant

III: TRANSFERS

1. The following transfers, which will become effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, October 11, 1950, are hereby announced:  
Lieut. Francis L. McLaughlin from Ladder Co. 3 to Eng. Co. 18  
Lieut. Daniel L. McCarthy from Engine Co. 18 to Lad. 20

IV. RETIREMENT

1. The following retirement, which became effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, October 4, 1950, is hereby announced:  
Ladmn. Thomas E. Reardon, Jr. Ladder Co. 20
2. Ladderman Reardon was appointed to the department May 11, 1917, and he leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

V: A. D. T. ASSIGNMENTS

1. Company Commanders shall add the following signal number to running cards of the A. D. T. Company in this department:  
Signal 765: Snider Holding Company - Benjamin Snider,  
40-44 Harrison Avenue and 44 - 46 Beach St., Boston,  
Sprinkler System, Apparatus to respond: Eng. 7, Lad. 17,  
District Chief 5, Nearest box is 1433.

*Handwritten:* 217-17

2. Signal 45: H. A. Johnson Co. , 155 North Beacon St. Brighton, Sprinkler System, Apparatus to respond: Eng. 34, Ladder 14, District Chief 11, Nearest box is 5274.
3. Signal 63: Miller Wool Waste Co., 205 - 07 Congress St. Boston, Sprinkler System, Apparatus to respond: Engine 25, Ladder 8, District Chief 5, Nearest box is 1423.
4. Signal 74: Building, 18-20 Chauncy St., Boston, Sprinkler System, Apparatus to respond: Engine 7, Ladder 17, District Chief 5, Nearest box is 1443.

## VI: INSTALLATION OF FIRE ALARM BOX

1. The following new fire alarm box which was established in G. O. #41, dated July 13, 1949, has been installed and connected into Circuit #71:  
Box 2838: Veterans of Foreign Wars Parkway and Independence Drive.
2. Company Commanders will add Box 2838 to Circuit Card #71.

## VII: DISCONTINUANCE OF AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SIGNAL

1. Notice has been received from the Boston Automatic Fire Alarm Division of the Automatic Fire Alarm Company that the following Boston Automatic Signal has been discontinued:

Signal 132: Building, 195 - 7 High Street.

## VIII: COMMENDATIONS

1. The following named are hereby commended for responding to and working at fire, Box 6241, on October 4, 1950, while off duty:

Lieutenant George M. Sacco	Ladder Co. 31
Ladderman Domenic Hermolo	Ladder Co. 31
Hoseman William D. Manning	Engine Co. 5
Hoseman Martin J. Powers	Engine Co. 5
Ladderman Charles J. McCarthy	Ladder Co. 2
Ladderman James P. Gunn	Ladder Co. 2
Hoseman Genarro J. Petrillo	Engine Co. 9
Hoseman George Indelicato	Engine Co. 9
Ladderman Nelson J. Mayo	Ladder Co. 21
Ladderman Henry D. Sacco	Ladder Co. 21
Ladderman Hazen A. Chalmers	Ladder Co. 21

2. The following named are hereby commended for responding to and working at fire, Box 7216, October 5, 1950, while off duty:

Hsmn. Charles F. Baldner Eng. 40 Hsmn. Guido S. Fiorenza, Eng. 40

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER

JOHN V. STAPLETON ACTING CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT

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### I. ASSIGNMENTS OF MEN ON PROBATION

1. The following assignments of Men on Probation which will become effective at 8 AM, Wednesday, October 25, 1950 are hereby announced:

Robert L. Gould	to Engine Co. 50
Walter C. Vitt	to Engine Co. 11
James F. Griffin	to Ladder Co. 22
William J. Carey	to Ladder Co. 25
James R. Regan	to Engine Co. 44
Bernard L. O'Connor	to Engine Co. 45
Michael E. McCarthy	to Engine Co. 55
Frederick W. Thomas	to Engine Co. 31
Paul J. Agnew	to Engine Co. 8
William Marranzini	to Engine Co. 40
Eugene G. Dinneen	to Ladder Co. 32
Albert E. Desaulniers	to Engine Co. 18
John F. McGuire	to Engine Co. 30

### II. TRANSFERS

1. The following transfers will become effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, October 25, 1950:

Ladn. Jerry DiPrizio	from Ladder 2 to Ladder 28
Hosn. Francis G. Reardon	from Engine 7 to Ladder 2
Ladn. Robert E. Byrne	from Ladder 27 to Engine 7
Ladn. Robert B. MacDonald	from Ladder 32 to Ladder 27
Hosn. John A. Hopkins	from Engine 55 to Engine 14
Ladn. Arthur C. Morton	from Ladder 17 to Rescue 2
Ladn. William J. Mullen	from Ladder 25 to Ladder 17
Hosn. Paul R. Harvey	from Engine 50 to Ladder 14
Hosn. Joseph H. Hardiman	from Engine 46 to Ladder 3
Hosn. Robert E. Randall	from Engine 8 to Engine 46

Ladn. Leo F. Mooney	from Ladder 29 to Engine 52
Hosn. Frank P. Fall	from Engine 8 to Ladder 29
Hosn. George F. Ware	from Engine 44 to Engine 8
Hosn. Nilus J. Mackey	from Rescue 1 to Engine 51
Hosn. Alfred F. Hamel, Jr.	from Engine 26 to Rescue 1
Hosn. George E. Murphy	from Engine 2 to Engine 26
Hosn. Gerald F. Cahill	from Engine 40 to Engine 2
Ladn. Francis J. Chapin	from Ladder 22 to Engine 1
Hosn. John W. P. Rogers	from Engine 55 to Rescue 1
Hosn. Gerard D. Murphy	from Rescue 1 to Engine 55

### III. A.D.T. ASSIGNMENT

1. Company commanders are requested to add the following signal number to assignment cards of the A.D.T. Company in this department:

Signal 788 - Westinghouse Electric Corp., 45 Old Colony  
Parkway. (SPRINKLER)  
Apparatus to respond: Engine 21, Ladder 20,  
District Chief 10. Nearest box is 3228.

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## IV. DISCONTINUANCE OF G.A.C. SIGNAL

1. Notice has been received from the General Alarm Corporation that the following G.A.C. Signal has been discontinued:

Signal 357 - North Pier Shed, Section 1 - Army Base

## V. NEW PAGES FOR BOSTON AUTOMATIC BOOK

1. New pages Nos. 2, 16 and 26, dated September 15, 1950, for the Boston Automatic Assignment Book are being issued to the department today.
2. These pages will replace old cards Nos. 2, 16 and 26, which are to be returned to Headquarters in the envelopes provided on or before October 26, 1950.

## VI. APPRECIATION

1. The Fire Commissioner is pleased to publish the following letter received from the Salvation Army for the information of members of the department:

"October 9, 1950

Dear Commissioner Kelleher:

The Salvation Army owes to you and the men of the Department a special expression of thanks and appreciation for the splendid gift to this year's Appeal.

The Department's contribution has totaled \$956.10 as against \$811.55, last year.

We are happy to serve the Department with our Fire and Emergency Truck, and we know from its Driver, Harold Patterson, that the appreciation of the men makes his duty at the fires a most agreeable one to perform.

With gratitude for all that you and your Department have done for us, I am

Sincerely yours,

S/ W. A. NICOL  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR"

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER

John V. Stapleton  
Acting Chief of Department

I. 1951 GREATER BOSTON COMMUNITY FUND

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1. His Honor, Mayor John B. Hynes, through the City Employees Group Chairman, has made an appeal to all city employees to participate in the 1951 Red Feather Campaign of the United Community Services of Metropolitan Boston in order that funds can be raised to aid many worthy agencies, such as Hospitals, Health Services, Social Agencies, and other organizations conducted for the common welfare.
2. A quota of \$3,000.00 has been assigned to the Fire Department and in order to obtain this amount the following schedule of donations is printed:

Privates	\$1.50	District Chiefs	\$4.00
Lieutenants	\$2.00	Deputy Chiefs	\$5.00
Captains	\$3.00		
3. Civilian employees of the department receiving salaries equal to those above are asked to give according to the schedule. Persons receiving less than \$2800. per year are asked to make a contribution of at least \$1.00.
4. The attainment of our goal of \$3,000. will be good for the department and the community in general. However, it is expressly understood that this is a voluntary effort.
5. Pledge cards are being distributed to the department today. Company commanders and heads of branch divisions are requested to personally interview each member of their commands, including employees on injured leave, and ask them to make a contribution. All pledge cards are to be made out and returned to Headquarters on or before November 15, 1950. However, completed cards with initial donations should be sent to Headquarters as soon as possible before November 15th, and company commanders should not hold a number of completed cards while awaiting the receipt of one or two others. Company commanders shall fill in the stub and pledge cards as required and return the card to member donating money or pledging a contribution.
6. Also issued with this order are white report and currency envelopes, also sheets of carbon paper. Company commanders are requested to fill out the front of the report envelopes in triplicate and pull the two white copies out over the flap of the envelope before the envelope is sealed. Carbon sheets should be used so that all three copies can be made at once. List the names of members, the total amount subscribed by each member and the amount paid at the time of the pledge. Cash donations and pledge cards should be placed in the Solicitor's white envelope, the envelope sealed as directed above and forwarded to Headquarters as soon as possible.
7. Envelopes containing pledge cards and currency will be received at Headquarters by Miss Margaret W. Plunkett on or before November 15, 1950. Delivery of envelopes can be made on any week

day, except Saturday, and must be made between the hours of 9 and 11 AM.

8. No deductions will be made on department payrolls in this campaign as pledge cards appear to indicate.

## II. CONGRATULATIONS

1. The Fire Commissioner, officers and members of the Fire Department wish to extend their congratulations and best wishes to the Fire Department Chaplain, Very Reverend Henry J. O'Connell on his recent elevation to the Monsignori.
2. The members of the department are pleased to learn that Monsignor O'Connell will continue as Department Chaplain.

## III. INSTALLATION OF NEW FIRE ALARM BOX

1. The following fire alarm box will be installed in the near future:

12-2527 - Jamaica Rest Home, 93 Sedgewick Road

2. This fire alarm box will be connected into Circuit No. 66, and company commanders will add the box to the assignment card for Box 2527 and also to Circuit Card No. 66.

## IV. CHANGE IN DESIGNATION ON ASSIGNMENT CARDS FOR BOX 3818

1. Company commanders shall change the designation on assignment cards for Box 3818 to read as follows:

3818 - Myopia and Braeburn Roads

*Charles F. B. Smith*

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER

John V. Stapleton  
Acting Chief of Department



### I. RETIREMENT

1. The following retirement which will become effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, November 1, 1950 is hereby announced:

Chief of Department John F. McDonough

2. Chief McDonough was appointed to the department July 15, 1904. He was promoted to the grade of Lieutenant December 19, 1921; to Captain February 1, 1924; to District Chief November 15, 1927; to Deputy Chief November 27, 1936 and to Chief of Department March 31, 1948.
3. The Fire Commissioner, the officers and members of the department join in wishing Chief McDonough a long and happy period of retirement which has been well earned during his forty-six years of service in the Fire Department.

### II. PROMOTIONS

1. The following promotions which will become effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, November 1, 1950 are hereby announced:

Lieutenant John J. McCarthy	Ladder 13 to Captain
Lieutenant Michael L. Galvin	Engine 8 to Captain
Hoseman James W. Pierce	Engine 7 to Lieutenant
Hoseman John F. Good	Engine 13 to Lieutenant
Ladmn. William E. Powers	Ladder 31 to Lieutenant

### III. TRANSFERS

1. The following transfers which will become effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, November 1, 1950 are hereby announced:

Captain John F. Cox	from Engine 19 to Ladder 25
Captain John J. McCarthy	from Ladder 13 to Engine 19
Captain Michael L. Galvin	from Engine 8 to Engine 36
Lieut. Thomas Uniacke, Jr.	from Ladder 5 to Ladder 13
Lieut. James W. Pierce	from Engine 7 to Engine 8
Lieut. John F. Good	from Engine 13 to Ladder 5
Lieut. William E. Powers	from Ladder 31 to Ladder 28

### IV. ACTING DISTRICT CHIEFS

1. Captain Alonzo P. Brooks of Engine Co. 27 is hereby designated Acting District Chief of District 2, effective as of October 23, 1950.
2. Captain Francis M. Connell of Engine Co. 22 and Captain Frederick P. Clauss of Ladder Co. 3 are hereby designated Acting District Chiefs of District 7, effective as of October 28, 1950.

## V. RETURN TO DUTY

1. The following-named member who was granted a leave of absence on August 26, 1950 to serve in the U. S. Navy has been discharged from the Navy and has returned to duty in the department effective as of 8:00 A. M., Monday, October 30, 1950:

Hoseman George L. Lyons, Jr. Engine Co. 43

2. The following-named member who was granted a leave of absence on October 7, 1950 to serve in the U. S. Marine Corps has been discharged from the Marine Corps and will return to duty in the department effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, November 1, 1950:

Ladderman Lawrence W. Westholm Ladder Co. 24

## VI. CORRECTION IN DESIGNATION OF FIREALARM BOX

1. The designation of fire alarm Box 12-2527 as listed in G. O. 60, c.s., is listed  
12-2527 - Jamaica Rest Rome, 93 Sedgewick Road
2. Company commanders shall change designation to read as follows:

12-2527 - Jamaica Rest Home, 93 Sedgewick Street

## VII. G.A.C. ASSIGNMENT

1. Company commanders shall add the following signal number to running cards of the General Alarm Corporation in this department:

✓ Signal 383 - Raymond's Inc., Franklin Street Shoe Store  
12-20 Franklin St., (Wet System)  
Apparatus to respond: Engine 25, Ladder 8,  
District Chief 5. Nearest box is 1273.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER

John V. Stapleton  
Acting Chief of Department

GENERAL ORDERS  
NO. 63

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT,  
BOSTON, OCTOBER 31, 1950

I: PROMOTION

1. The following promotion, effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, November 1, 1950, is hereby announced:

Deputy Chief John V. Stapleton.  
to  
Chief of Department

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER



I: PROMOTIONS

1. The following promotions, effective as of 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, November 15, 1950, are hereby announced:

District Chief William A. Terrenzi, District 7 to Deputy Chief  
Captain Edward J. McNulty, Engine Co. 10 to District Chief  
Lieutenant Walter F. Peters, Rescue Co. 3 to Captain  
Hoseman Thomas F. Feeney, Engine Co. 26 to Lieutenant

II: TRANSFERS

1. The following transfers which will become effective as of 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, November 22, 1950 are hereby announced:

Deputy Chief William A. Terrenzi	from District 7 to Division 1
District Chief James J. Flanagan	from District 14 to District 7
District Chief John J. McHugh	from Districts 14-15 to Dist. 14
District Chief Edward J. McNulty	from Engine 10 to Dists. 14-15
Captain Joseph L. Dolan	from Engine Co. 6 to Engine 10
Captain Michael L. Galvin	from Engine Co. 36 to Engine 6
Captain Walter F. Peters	from Rescue Co. 3 to Engine 36
Lieutenant Thomas F. Feeney	from Engine Co. 26 to Rescue 3
Lieutenant John A. Dovi	from Ladder Co. 31 to Ladder 28
Lieutenant William E. Powers	from Ladder Co. 28 to Ladder 31
Hoseman Edward D. Rooney, Jr.	from Rescue Co. 3 to Ladder 10
Hoseman Robert E. Randall	from Engine Co. 46 to Engine 8
Hoseman Edmund S. Sharp	from Engine Co. 36 to Engine 46
Ladderman Joseph R. Hurley	from Ladder Co. 10 to Rescue 3

III: RETURN TO DUTY FROM ARMED FORCES

1. The following named who were granted leaves of absence in order to serve in the U. S. Air Force have been discharged from the Air Force and returned to duty in this department effective as of 8:00 A. M., Monday, November 6th, 1950:

Hoseman John H. O'Neill	Engine Co. 25
Hoseman Joseph F. Crowley	Engine Co. 27

2. The following named who was granted a leave of absence in order to serve in the U. S. Navy has been discharged from the Navy and will return to duty effective as of 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, November 15, 1950:

Hoseman James J. Loftus	Engine Co. 23
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## IV: DISCONTINUANCE OF AUTOMATIC FIRE ALARM SIGNALS

1. Notice has been received from the Boston Automatic Fire Alarm Division of the Automatic Fire Alarm Company that the following signals have been discontinued:

Signal 1281 )  
Signal 1512-2 )  
Signal 1512-3 )  
Signal 1512-4 )

Pier 46, Mystic Docks

## V: DISCONTINUANCE OF G. A. C. SIGNAL

1. Notice has been received from the General Alarm Corporation that the following signal number of that company has been discontinued:

Signal 298      A. L. Smith Iron Company, 100 Cummington Street

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER:

John V. Stapleton

Chief of Department

I. ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS

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1. The Annual Solemn Requiem High Mass will be celebrated for all deceased members of the Boston Fire Department at 9:00 A. M., Tuesday, November 28, 1950 at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, Washington Street, Boston.
2. The Most Reverend Archbishop Richard J. Cushing will preside at the Mass and preach the sermon. Monsignor Henry J. O'Connell, Boston Fire Department Chaplain, will be Celebrant; the Reverend Michael F. Costello and the Reverend James J. Manning of the Holy Cross Cathedral will be Deacon and Subdeacon respectively.
3. All officers and members of the Fire Department and Fire Alarm Division who are off duty, also members of the Fire Prevention Division, Boston Protective Department, Maintenance and the Electrical Inspection Division are requested to attend this Memorial Mass. District Chiefs shall arrange to detail three members from their respective districts. The uniform for privates and officers will include sack coats and white gloves.
4. Members of the Fire Alarm, Fire Prevention, Maintenance and Electrical Inspection Division, and the Boston Protective Department will march as separate units in the procession from Engine Co. 3 quarters to the Cathedral.
5. All members of the department who attend should report to Captain-Drillmaster Augustus J. Beaupre at 8:30 A.M., Tuesday, November 28th at the quarters of Engine Co. 3, 618 Harrison Ave., Boston. They will march from this point to the Cathedral of the Holy Cross. Deputy Chief James J. Kane, Liaison Officer to Chaplain O'Connell, will greet out of town chiefs attending the Mass.
6. Many members of the fire service are enrolled on the list of heroic dead. Some have died in defense of country, others as a result of injuries incurred in the line of duty. Others have passed on after illness or the natural course of years. All of these we remember in this religious service as we ourselves may wish to be remembered some day in years to come. The extent of the tribute and remembrance of our Fire Department dead in this instance rests squarely upon the department itself. By the response of members will be measured the depth of our respect for our departed fellow firemen. All persons, all groups, and all organizations should combine in this activity to make the attendance at this service as large as possible.
7. Families, relatives and friends of members and former members are likewise cordially invited to attend our eighth Annual Memorial Mass.
8. At the conclusion of the services, members shall march from the church to Engine Co. 3's quarters where they will be dismissed.



9. The following-named members will serve as ushers at the Memorial services at the Holy Cross Cathedral. They shall report to District Chief James F. McFadden at 8:30 A. M., at the Cathedral:
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|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Captain John A. O'Neill     | Engine Co. 23 |
| Lieut. John F. H. Fox       | Engine Co. 49 |
| Lieut. Walter L. Sullivan   | Ladder Co. 1  |
| Lieut. John A. Rose         | Engine Co. 6  |
| Lieut. Edward W. Sharkey    | Engine Co. 30 |
| Hosn. John E. Burwell       | Engine Co. 15 |
| Ladn. Paul R. Harvey        | Ladder Co. 14 |
| Hosn. Frank Mayo            | Headquarters  |
| Operator Charles F. Connors | Fire Alarm    |
10. All members of the band and color guard, whether on or off duty, shall report to Band Manager-District Chief James F. White at Engine Co. 3 at 8:30 A. M. Members of the band and color guard working the day tour the 28th shall be excused until 12 Noon.
11. The Superintendent of Maintenance shall arrange to deliver colors and rifles to the assembly point, Engine Co. 3's quarters, and flag stand to the Holy Cross Cathedral.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER

John V. Stapleton  
Chief of Department

## I. ASSIGNMENT OF MILITARY SUBSTITUTES

1. The following assignments of Military Substitutes for Firemen which will become effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, November 29, 1950 are hereby announced:

Philip C. LaCascia	in place of Ralph R. Camerlengo
	to Engine Co. 7
George F. Weadick	in place of John Walsh
	to Ladder Co. 24
Martin J. Earner	in place of William G. Cudmore
	to Engine Co. 25
Frank A. DeSisto	in place of John Abbott
	to Engine Co. 26
John F. Hasson	in place of Richard A. Kemp
	to Ladder Co. 20
Chester W. Eastman	in place of Paul W. Buchanan
	to Ladder Co. 12
Robert J. Keyes	in place of Paul B. McNiff
	to Ladder Co. 3
Paul H. Lynch	in place of Paul Murray
	to Engine Co. 13
Frederick A. Poggie	in place of Donald R. Gummeson
	to Engine Co. 45
Thomas J. Heanue	in place of Joseph T. O'Brien
	to Ladder Co. 31
Joseph P. Fitzgerald, Jr.	in place of Charles R. Gove
	to Engine Co. 4
Ernest W. Clark	in place of Francis C. Murphy
	to Engine Co. 12
Edward J. Collins, Jr.	in place of Charles L. Mann
	to Ladder Co. 11
Frederick J. Grenier, Jr.	in place of Richard Foley
	to Engine Co. 53
Frederick L. Coffey	in place of Sigmund Gurski
	to Ladder Co. 21
James J. Flynn	in place of Wilbert Rice
	to Engine Co. 10

## II. RETIREMENTS

1. The following retirements which will become effective at 8:00 A. M., Friday, December 1, 1950 are hereby announced:

Hoseman Arthur P. Larvey	Engine Co. 4
Hoseman John F. Gilbrook	Engine Co. 40

2. Hoseman Larvey was appointed to the department October 18, 1945 and Hoseman Gilbrook was appointed February 1, 1924. Both these men leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

## III. REASSIGNMENT OF ENGINEER, MOTOR SQUAD, AS HOSEMAN

1. The following reassignment which will become effective Wednesday, Nov. 29, 1950 is hereby announced:

Engineer, Motor Squad, Alfred J. Cataldo to Hoseman

## IV. TRANSFERS

1. The following transfer which will become effective at 8:00 A.M., Wednesday, November 29, 1950 is hereby announced:

Hoseman Alfred J. Cataldo from Motor Squad to Engine 46

## V. FIRE ALARM BOX RENUMBERED

1. Effective as of 12 Noon, Wednesday, November 22, 1950, Fire Alarm Box 12-2165, Roxbury Memorial High School, has been changed to #12-2164.
2. Company commanders shall delete this box from assignment card for Box 2165 and add it to assignment card for Box 2164. The designation for Box 12-2164 will be as follows:

Box 12-2164 - Roxbury Memorial High School, 205 Townsend St.

3. Company commanders shall delete Box 12-2165 from Circuit Card 67 and add Box 12-2164 to Circuit Card 67.

## VI. G.A.C. ASSIGNMENTS

1. The following signal numbers shall be added to running cards of the General Alarm Corporation in this department:

Signal 384 - Building, 299-301 Congress St. (SPRINKLER)

Signal 385 - Building, 303 Congress St. (SPRINKLER)

Apparatus to respond to foregoing signals: Engine ~~98~~, 39  
Ladder 18, District Chief 5. Nearest box is 1411.

## VII. CANCELLATION OF G.A.C. SIGNAL

1. G. A. C. Signal #52 which now covers the buildings, 299-303 Congress Street is to be cancelled as the two new signal numbers given above now cover these buildings.

## VIII. COMMENDATIONS

1. Lieutenant Clarence X. Frost of Ladder Co. 12 and Hoseman Thomas J. Walsh of Engine Co. 29 are hereby commended for responding to and working at fire, Box 5271, on November 13, 1950, while off duty.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER

John V. Stapleton  
Chief of Department.

*O.K. Capt. Thompson*

*O.K. Capt. Thompson*



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I. RELOCATION OF FIREBOAT ENGINE 31 (JAMES F. MCTIGHE)

1. Until further notice, Fireboat Engine 31 (James F. McTighe) will be relocated from its present quarters, Castle Island Terminal, South Boston, District 6, to the City Wharf, foot of Battery Street, Boston, District 4, Division I. This will take effect at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, November 29, 1950.
2. In connection with this relocation there will be changes in assignments of the several phantom boxes located on certain islands in Boston Harbor. The boxes concerned are:  
  
7611, 7612, 7613, 7614, 7615, 7616 and 7617.  
  
The response to these boxes shall be the same as stated in General Orders #56, October 20, 1949.  
  
Company commanders shall make these changes on the assignment cards for the island boxes aforementioned.
3. Until further orders, effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, November 29, 1950, due to the relocating of Fireboat Engine 31, the islands in Boston Harbor, namely, Long, Rainsford, Gallup's, George's, Lovell's, Spectacle, Thompson's shall be transferred from District No. 6 to District No. 4. Also, Engine Co. 54 and Ladder Co. 33 shall be transferred from District No. 6 to District No. 4.
4. Section (c) of Rule 247 of the Department Rules and Regulations shall be amended to read as follows:

"If Engine 47: Engine 31 will assume the former's first alarm assignments; Engine 44 confining themselves to their regular assignments, except in the event of Engine 31 being at a fire covering Engine 47, then Engine 44 will assume Engine 31's first alarm assignments."

II. TRANSFERS

1. The following transfers will become effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, November 29, 1950:

Ladn. George W. Sangster, Jr.	from Ladder 32 to Ladder 17
Ladn. Richard J. Higgins	from Ladder 17 to Ladder 32

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER

John V. Stapleton  
Chief of Department

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I. JAMES R. POLLARD

1. It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death, on November 22, 1950, of Elevatorman James R. Pollard of the Headquarters Division. Elevatorman Pollard was appointed to the Department July 25, 1933.
2. The funeral which was private was held from the J. S. Waterman and Sons Funeral Home, 497 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston on Saturday, November 25, 1950.

II. JOHN J. FRAZIER

1. It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death, on November 23, 1950, of Apparatus Operator John J. Frazier of Engine Co. 22. Apparatus Operator Frazier was appointed to the Department September 20, 1918.
2. The funeral was held from his late home, 30 Iona Street, Roslindale at 10:15 A. M., Monday, Nov. 27th followed by services in the Holy Name Church, Centre St., West Roxbury at 11 A. M.
3. The Chief of Department made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and the members of Engine Co. 22 were excused from duty to attend the services.

III. ACTING DISTRICT CHIEF

1. Captain Gerald L. Cremin of Ladder Co. 28 is hereby designated as Acting District Chief of District 15, effective as of September 20, 1950.

IV. INCREASE IN ANNUITIES

1. The following order which was passed by the City Council, Nov. 20, 1950, and approved by His Honor, Mayor John B. Hynes on Nov. 21, 1950, is hereby published for the information of the Department:

"CITY OF BOSTON

IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDERED: That, effective as of November 8, 1950, the amount of all annuities paid by the City of Boston under section 89a of Chapter 32 of the General Laws to beneficiaries of policemen, firemen or other employees, heretofore determined to have been killed, or to have died from injuries received or hazards undergone in the performance of duty, shall be the maximum amount authorized by said section, as amended by Chapter 757 of the Acts of 1950, for the particular case."

2. Chapter 757 of the Acts of 1950 authorizes an increase in Widow's Pensions from \$1200.00 to \$1500.00 per annum, and an increase for dependent children from \$260.00 to \$312.00 per annum, total amount not to exceed compensation paid to member of department at time of his death.

#### V. DISCONTINUANCE OF AUXILIARY FIRE ALARM SYSTEM

1. The Fairmount School in Hyde Park has been abandoned and the Auxiliary Fire Alarm System has been permanently cut out of service.
2. Company commanders shall delete the words "Aux., Fairmount School" from the assignment card for Box 3773.

#### VI. HIGH COMMENDATION

1. At 7:55 A.M., November 27, 1950, Ladder Co. 12 responded to the dwelling at 42 Cunard St., Roxbury, on a still alarm which was followed by an alarm from Box 2213 at 7:56 A. M.
2. Upon the arrival of Ladder Co. 12 at the scene, fire was issuing from three front windows on the fourth floor and the members were informed that there was a man trapped on this floor. Ladderman Lloyd C. Phillips of Ladder Co. 12 entered the building through the front door and went over the front stairs to the fourth floor, forced an entrance to the apartment, crawled along a hallway to the rear of the building and into a room where he found a man in a semiconscious condition on a bed. He removed the man by the front stairway to the street. At the time of the rescue, the building was involved with a heavy concentration of fire, heat and smoke.
3. By his prompt action and total disregard for his own safety, it appears that Ladderman Phillips was responsible for saving the man's life.
4. The Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Ladderman Phillips for his fine act and his case is referred to the Board of Merit for further consideration.

#### VII. COMMENDATIONS

1. The following-named members of the Fire Alarm Division are hereby commended for reporting to work at 10 P.M., Saturday, November 25, 1950 during the severe storm and remaining on duty until 10 A.M., Sunday, November 26, 1950 in order to repair any damage to the Fire Alarm Signal System caused by the severe weather conditions:

Assistant Superintendent Earl F. Lyons  
Supervisor James F. McMahon  
Working Foreman Timothy J. Cadigan  
Working Foreman James R. Lowell  
Working Foreman Charles T. Donovan  
Lineman Walter J. Murray

2. All the foregoing named were on an off-duty period at the time.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER

John V. Stapleton  
Chief of Department



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### I. RETURN TO DUTY

1. The following named who was granted a leave of absence September 29, 1950 in order to serve in the U. S. Air Corps has been released from military service and has returned to duty in this department effective as of 8 AM, Tuesday, Dec. 5, 1950:

Ladderman Charles L. Mann, Jr.      Ladder Co. 11

### II. RESIGNATION

1. The following resignation which became effective as of 8 AM, Wednesday, December 13, 1950 is hereby announced:

Hoseman Robert F. Tierney      Engine Co. 44

### III. A.D.T. ASSIGNMENT

1. Company commanders shall add the following signal number to running cards of the American District Telegraph Company in this department:

Signal 793: Recording and Statistical Corp., 55 Old Colony Parkway (Fire Alarm Service)  
Apparatus to respond: Engine 21, Ladder 20,  
District Chief 10. Nearest box is 3228.

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### IV. G.A.C. ASSIGNMENT

1. Company commanders shall add the following signal number to running cards of the General Alarm Corp. in this department:

Signal 386: Building, 11-15 Stillings St. (Dry System)  
Apparatus to respond: Engine 39, Ladder 18,  
District Chief 6. Nearest box is 7112.

### V. HIGH COMMENDATION

1. At 12:59 A.M., December 9, 1950 the department responded to a fire in a dwelling house at 47 Lynde Street, West End.
2. Upon arrival of department at the scene, fire had already involved two attic rooms of the 3½ story building and, while members were laying hose lines, raising ladders and assisting Occupants to the street, they were informed that the occupant of the attic room was not accounted for. Lieutenant John C. Reardon and Hoseman William J. Desmond of Rescue Co. 3, after three attempts, reached the attic rooms and a quick search by Lieutenant Reardon revealed a man in the attic--unconscious and badly burned. Lieutenant Reardon removed the unconscious victim to the attic doorway where Hoseman Desmond assisted him in carrying the victim down a very narrow stairway to the street. The rescue work was carried out at great risk of life to the two members

inasmuch as the heat, fire and smoke were very severe, and it was only through the prompt action and almost superhuman efforts of Lieutenant Reardon and Hoseman Desmond that the man was saved.

3. The Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Lieutenant Reardon and Hoseman Desmond for their fine action and their cases are referred to the Board of Merit for further consideration.

#### VI. COMMENDATION

1. Hoseman Grant J. MacDonald of Engine Co. 34 is hereby commended for responding to and working at fire, Box 2385, November 24, 1950, while off duty.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER

John V. Stapleton  
Chief of Department

I. ASSIGNMENTS OF MILITARY SUBSTITUTES AS MEN ON PROBATION

1. The following-named Military Substitutes for Firemen will be assigned as Men on Probation to become effective at 8 A.M., Wednesday, December 20, 1950:

Philip C. LaCascia	Engine Co. 7
George F. Weadick	Ladder Co. 24
Martin J. Earner	Engine Co. 25
Frank A. DeSisto	Engine Co. 26
John F. Hasson	Ladder Co. 20
Chester W. Eastman	Ladder Co. 12

2. The foregoing named shall report to the office of the Fire Commissioner on or before Wednesday, December 20, 1950 in order to sign Civil Service papers and fill out Retirement System forms. They shall bring with them a copy of birth certificates and discharge from the armed forces of the United States.

II. ASSIGNMENTS OF MEN ON PROBATION

1. The following assignments of Men on Probation which will become effective at 8 A. M., Wednesday, December 20, 1950 are hereby announced:

Francis B. Cooley	to Engine Co. 40
Frank M. Sanseverino	to Ladder Co. 22
Thomas E. LaVerne	to Engine Co. 5

III. TRANSFERS

1. The following transfers which will become effective at 8 A.M., Wednesday, December 20, 1950 are hereby announced:

Hoseman John F. Casey	from Engine 45 to Engine 13
Hoseman William E. Cosgrove	from Engine 46 to Engine 26
Hoseman Albert G. Malcolm	from Engine 16 to Engine 46
Hoseman Thomas G. Dunbar	from Engine 5 to Engine 22
Hoseman Edmund S. Sharp	from Engine 46 to Engine 36
Hoseman Willard E. Jones	from Engine 49 to Engine 46

Ladderman Joseph O. Brennan	from Ladder 22 to Engine 45
Ladderman Vincent L. McCauley	from Ladder 32 to Rescue 3
Ladderman Thomas H. Waldron	from Ladder 26 to Ladder 24
Ladderman George E. Stanton	from Ladder 24 to Ladder 26

M. O. P. George F. Weadick	from Ladder 24 to Ladder 31
M. O. P. Martin J. Earner	from Engine 25 to Engine 16
M. O. P. Chester W. Eastman	from Ladder 12 to Ladder 32
M. O. P. John F. Hasson	from Ladder 20 to Engine 49
M. O. P. Frank A. DeSisto	from Engine 26 to Engine 4



## IV. PROMOTIONS

1. The following promotions which will become effective at 8 A. M., Wednesday, December 20, 1950 are hereby announced:

Assistant Operator Thomas N. Osborne, Fire Alarm Div. to Operator  
Assistant Operator Charles F. Connors, Fire Alarm Div. to Operator  
Assistant Operator Robert L. Sullivan, Fire Alarm Div. to  
Military Substitute Operator

## V. DUMPING PERMITS

1. All dumping permits issued by the Health Commissioner of the City of Boston for the dumping of ashes and house refuse on vacant lands expires on December 31, 1950.
2. District Chiefs shall report on Form 5A, on or before Dec. 22, 1950, whether or not they have any objections to the renewal of such dumping permits in their respective districts.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER

John V. Stapleton  
Chief of Department

I. CAPTAIN WILLIAM J. NOLAN

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1. It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death on December 22, 1950 of Captain William J. Nolan of Engine Co. 21. Captain Nolan was appointed to the Fire Department April 15, 1908, promoted to the grade of lieutenant December 26, 1924 and to captain July 9, 1937.
2. The funeral was held from the Gerald F. Scally Funeral Home, 54 Pleasant St., Dorchester at 8:15 A.M., Dec. 26, 1950, followed by services at St. William's Church, Dorchester Avenue at 9 A. M.
3. The Chief of Department made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members of Engine Co. 21 were excused from duty to attend the services.

II. RETURN TO DUTY

1. The following-named member who was granted leave of absence, October 8, 1950 in order to serve in the U. S. Navy, has been discharged from the Navy and has returned to duty in this department effective as of 8 A.M., Wednesday, December 27, 1950:

Ladderman Richard A. Kemp      Ladder Co. 20

III. RETIREMENT

1. The following retirement which will become effective at 8 A.M., Monday, January 1, 1951 is hereby announced:

Ladderman Charles I. Pierce      Ladder Co. 24

2. Ladderman Pierce was appointed to the Fire Department, January 3, 1945. He leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

IV. TRANSFERS

1. The following transfers will become effective at 8:00 A. M., Wednesday, January 3, 1951:

Hosn. John J. Doucette	from Engine 21 to Maintenance Div.
Hosn. Lewis E. Arnold	from Engine 23 to Engine 55

V. RELOCATION AND CHANGE IN DESIGNATION OF FIRE ALARM BOX

1. Fire alarm Box 13-1355 has been relocated from the Administration Building to the White Building at the Massachusetts General Hospital.
2. Company commanders will change the designation of this box on assignment cards to read as follows:  
13-1355 Massachusetts General Hospital, White Building, Fruit St.

VI. INVENTORY FORM

1. Form 1, Inventory Form, is being issued to the department today. These forms are to be filled out as of January 1, 1951, and returned to the Office of the Fire Commissioner for his personal inspection on or before Friday, January 26, 1951. One (1) Form is to be given to each company commander and head of each branch division.

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- In houses where more than one company is located, the senior officers in command of the houses will include in their inventories all articles which are used in common by the various companies in the stations. They will note on the last page of the inventory form the fact that their inventory includes house equipment.

#### VII. A.D.T. SIGNAL

- Company commanders shall add the following signal number to running cards of the American District Telegraph Company in this department:

Signal 794 - Recording & Statistical Corp., 55 Old Colony Pkwy.  
(SPRINKLER) Apparatus to respond: Engine 21,  
Ladder 20, District Chief 10. Nearest box 3228.

#### VIII. APPRECIATION

- The Fire Commissioner is pleased to publish the following letter for the information of members of the department:  
"December 14, 1950

City of Boston Fire Dept.  
60 Bristol St.  
Boston, Mass.

Attention: Michael T. Kelleher, Fire Commissioner

Gentlemen:

There was a fire in our building Monday night, December 11th.

Like most of us, the writer always took the fire department for granted. I figured that firemen spent their time playing checkers, making toys, etc.-a great job for a lazy fellow.

It happened that I was at the building within fifteen minutes after the firemen got there. Their energy and efficiency amazed me. In these days of scarce materials I shudder to think at what the loss would have been had your department been anything but the best. We are deeply grateful.

The enclosed check for \$100.00 is for use as you think best for the benefit of the men.

Very truly yours,  
REPUBLIC PIPE & SUPPLY CORP.  
By: S/ Samuel J. Lipsitz"

- The check was forwarded to the Boston Firemen's Relief Fund.

#### IX. COMMENDATIONS

- The following-named are hereby commended for responding to and working at fire, Box 723, 5 alarms, at 1:34 A.M., December 19, 1950, while off duty:

Ladn. John S. Allen	Lad. 5	Ladn. John F. Shannon	Lad. 5
Ladn. John F. Collier	Lad. 5		

- Hoseman Julius C. Sutton of Engine Co. 40 is hereby commended for responding to and working at fire, Box 6155, 2 alarms, on December 22, 1950, while off duty.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER MICHAEL T. KELLEHER:

John V. Stapleton  
Chief of Department

*City of Boston*