GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 1

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JANUARY 6, 1978

I. RESIGNATION

The following resignation becomes effective at 0800 hours, January 10, 1978:

Fire Fighter John J. Mc Carthy, Ladder Company 21

II. RETIREMENTS

The following retirements in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, Chap. 32, G. L. will become effective on the dates indicated:

Lieutenant Guy J. Vicini	Marine Unit	0800 hrs. Jan. 11, 1978
Fire Fighter Herbert J. Rose	Engine Co. 45	0800 hrs. Jan. 4, 1978
Fire Fighter William E. Donovan	Engine Co. 49	0800 hrs. Jan. 5, 1978
Fire Fighter Daniel G. Finnerty	Engine Co. 55	0800 hrs. Jan. 6, 1978
Fire Fighter John J. Mc Carthy	Ladder Co. 21	0800 hrs. Jan. 11, 1978

Lieutenant Vicini was appointed to the department March 5, 1941, promoted to Fire Lieutenant March 12, 1958. Fire Fighter Rose was appointed June 11, 1952. Fire Fighter Donovan was appointed April 9, 1947. Fire Fighter Finnerty was appointed February 3, 1947. Fire Fighter Mc Carthy was appointed on April 27, 1949.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

III. INVENTORY FORMS

Form 1, Inventory Forms, are being issued with this order. These forms are to be filled out as of January 1, 1978 and returned to the Office of the Fire Commissioner on or before February 3, 1978. One form is to be given to each company commander

IV. GAS MASK

It has come to the attention of this office that some members are not complying with S. O. 69, 1977.

This Mandatory Gas Mask Rule was established for the protection of the members of this department and every Chief Officer and Company Officer is responsible for the enforcement of this Rule.

Any future violations shall be considered a serious matter and will be dealt with accordingly.

S. O. 69 - 1977 shall be incorporated into the daily company drills during the week of January 9, 1978.

V. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective at 0800 hours, January 11, 1978:

	FROM	TO
Fire Fighter John F. Curran	Headquarters	Maintenance Division
Fire Fighter Stephen J. Abbott	Ladder Co. 22	Maintenance Division

The following members will be transferred to Personnel Division (Medical) at 0800, January 11, 1978:

Fire Fighter Francis C. Galizio	Ladder Company 5
Fire Lieut. James E. Brodbeck	Ladder Company 13
Fire Lieut. John F. Scott	Engine Company 30
Fire Fighter Joseph P. Curran	Ladder Company 28
Fire Fighter Edward J. Burke	Engine Company 48
Fire Fighter William E. Cosgrove	Training & Research
Fire Fighter Edward F. Mc Leod	Aerial Tower #2
Fire Fighter Alfred G. Hansen	Ladder Company 5
Fire Fighter Frank J. Gemellaro	Ladder Company 9

VI. RIFLE HONOR GUARD DRILLS

Rifle Honor Guard drills for January will be held on January 12th and January 26th from 1800 to 2230 hours at Memorial Hall at Headquarters.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

THE LAST GENERAL ORDER IN THE 1977 SERIES WAS NO. 62

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 3

JANUARY 13, 1978

I. RETIREMENTS

The following retirements in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, Chap. 32, G. L. will become effective on the dates indicated:

Dist. Fire Chief Walter A. Maraghy	District 9	0800 hrs. Jan. 18, 1978
Fire Fighter Francis P. Tierney	T. & R. Div.	0800 hrs. Jan. 18, 1978
Fire Fighter George M. Wade	Hdqtrs. Div.	0800 hrs. Jan. 19, 1978
Fire Fighter James D. Ford	Eng. 55	0800 hrs. Jan. 28, 1978

District Fire Chief Maraghy was appointed to the department October 16, 1940, promoted to Fire Lieutenant February 5, 1947, promoted to Fire Captain March 5, 1952 and promoted to District Fire Chief January 10, 1962. Fire Fighter Tierney was appointed January 21, 1948. Fire Fighter Wade was appointed November 14, 1945. Fire Fighter Ford was appointed September 27, 1944.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT

The following termination of employment will become effective 0800 hours, Wednesday, January 18, 1978:

Fire Fighter on Probation Rafael Sosa, Engine Company 14

III. BLUE CROSS-BLUE SHIELD & HARVARD MEDICAL DEDUCTIONS-1977

The figures listed below represent the total amount deducted from members for 1977:

FAMILY PLAN		INDIVIDUAL	
Master 75-25 split	$407.34	Master 75-25 split	$160.03
Major 75-25 split	$316.50	Major 75-25 split	$124.40
Harvard 75-25 split	$289.56	Harvard 75-25 split	$115.68

$15.80 (10 months only) for insurance has been deducted from these totals, as insurance cannot be claimed as a deduction on your federal income tax.

IV. COMPANY DRILL

Officers conducting company drills shall use Standard Operating Procedure No. 18 "Procedure Upon Dispatching of Department Members to a Hospital from a Fire or Other Incident". Also, review pages thirteen (13) through twenty (20) in Emergency Medical Service CPR and First Aid Training Handbook

V. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective at 0800 hours, January 18, 1978:

	FROM	TO
Fire Lieut. Paul H. Dewan, Jr.	Eng. Co. 41	Lad. Co. 13
Fire Lieut. Frank Meloski	Lad. Co. 6	Eng. Co. 30
Fire Lieut. Paul P. Keeley	Lad. Co. 24	Marine Unit
Fire Lieut. Meltzer T. Pietroski	Eng. Co. 39	Marine Unit
Fire Fighter James F. Mahoney	Eng. Co. 9	Fire Prevention
Fire Fighter Paul Cunniff	Eng. Co. 28	Eng. Co. 55
Fire Fighter William Feeney	Lad. Co. 9	Eng. Co. 37
Fire Fighter Edward E. Wright	Eng. Co. 16	Eng. Co. 49
Fire Fighter Martin J. O'Brien, Jr.	Lad. Co. 2	Eng. Co. 50
Fire Fighter William F. Ploof	A.T. #2	Training & Research
Fire Fighter Robert Orr	Lad. Co. 26	Headquarters
Fire Fighter Charles T. Bogues	Eng. Co. 50	Headquarters
Fire Fighter John P. Cavanaugh	Lad. Co. 14	Lad. Co. 11
Fire Fighter James M. Sheehan	Pers. (Med.)	Training & Research
Fire Fighter Harold J. Mahoney	Pers. (Med.)	Headquarters

The following members will be transferred to Personnel Division (Medical) at 0800 hours, January 18, 1978:

Dist. Fire Chief Albert V. Dimino	District 12
Fire Lieut. William P. Donahue	Marine Unit
Fire Fighter Domenic Kolonovich	Engine Co. 56
Fire Fighter Benjamin S. Roman	Engine Co. 54
Fire Fighter Thomas L. Kardoos	Ladder Co. 13
Fire Fighter James E. Lampro	Ladder Co. 6
Fire Fighter John F. Shannon	Engine Co. 39

VI. COMMENDATION

At 2245 hours, January 7, 1978, Channel 2 of the Boston Fire Department was being interrupted by an unknown male voice with a spanish speaking dialect.

At the request of District Fire Chief Vincent A. Bolger, District 7, Fire Fighter on Probation Alfredo Herrera of Ladder Company 23 conversed with the person interferring and was able to obtain his location so that action could be taken to make a possible future recovery of the radio and prevent further interference.

Because of his capable assistance in this urgent matter, Fire Fighter on Probation Herrera is to be commended and a copy of this order placed in his personnel record.

VII. MOTOR VEHICLE FIRES

Whenever the department responds to a motor vehicle fire and it appears that the vehicle has been stolen, the officer in charge will immediately call the Fire Alarm Office to have the police notified to report to the incident.

Care should be taken that the proper location is given to the police in the event that the apparatus leaves the scene prior to the arrival of the police.

VIII. LETTERS OF THANKS

December 28, 1977

Dear Commissioner:

"On December 16th at approximately 8:30 A. M., I was involved in a head-on collision on Corey Street in West Roxbury.

"Thanks to the prompt and efficient response of the Boston Fire Department I was spared any undue pain and suffering. Their patient, competent and professional attention succeeded in extricating me from a very mangled vehicle while at the same time, paying special attention to my badly broken ankle and battered knee.

"I am happy to report that I am well on the way to a full recovery. I cannot help but think that I owe a great deal to the good men of the Boston Fire Department who came to my aid.

With Sincere Appreciation,
Jean M. Ball
598 Weld Street, West Roxbury"

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January 10, 1978

Dear Commissioner Paul:

"On Wednesday morning, December 28 at about 12:30 A. M., we had the misfortune of having a fire at Old St. James in Boston. Due to the prompt and efficient work of the Boston Fire Department, under the direction of Deputy Chief Thompson, damage was held to a minimum.

"Please accept the thanks of all the friends of St. James Church and extend it to Deputy Chief Thompson and his men. We are all most grateful.

Sincerely,
Rev. William J. Guerrete, Adm.'

January 6, 1978

Dear Commissioner:

"Please accept our profound gratitude and convey our sincere appreciation to the officers and members of your Department who responded on mutual aid to Chelsea during the tragic three alarm fire at 174 Pearl Street, 3 alarms - Box 121, on December 31, 1977 and January 1, 1978

"All too often, our Departments are called to duty and faced with the tragedies of people who are the innocent victims, but the toll in this particular situation included a brother, Fire Captain James E. Trainor, who made the supreme sacrifice while in performance of his duties.

"We would like to particularly extend special tribute to District Chief Joseph Houghton and his aide, Fire Fighter Thomas Goodwin and Boston Engine #50, who were instrumental in effecting rescues and providing critical assistance to Deputy Chief william E. Coyne in the extremely difficult initial operations at the scene Once again, all the companies who responded to the multiple alarms demonstrated their highest degree of professionalism and were a great tribute to the Boston Fire Department.

Sincerely,
Herbert C. Fothergill
Chief of Department"

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January 6, 1978

Dear Chief, Officers and Fellow Fire Fighters:

"Please accept the sincere gratitude of Chief Fothergill, Officers and Fire Fighters of the Chelsea Fire Department for your thoughtful expression of kindness during our tragic loss of Fire Captain James E. Trainor, who made the supreme sacrifice in the line of duty on January 1, 1978.

"The tremendous showing of brother Fire Fighters from near and distant Communities served as a very solemn display of the highest traditions of the fire service - fraternal love for fellow man.

"The entire Community of Chelsea, and especially the family and fellow Fire Fighters will not forget your kindness ever.

Very truly yours,
Herbert C. Fothergill
Chief of Department"

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 4

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JANUARY 18, 1978

I. RETIREMENTS

The following retirements, in accordance with the provisions and dates indicated, are hereby announced:

Fire Lieut. John P. Ward	Eng. Co. 25	S7, 94 A, C32 GL	0800, 2.1.78
Fire Lieut. Paul J. Bacci	Eng. Co. 8	S7 C32 GL	0800, 2.1.78
F.F. Alfred R. Sears	Lad. 28	S7 C32 GL	0800, 2.1.78
F.F. Walter G. Doherty	Lad. 1	S5 C32 GL	0800, 1.20.78
F.F. George W. Girvan, Jr.	Eng. 1	S5 C32 GL	0800 1.19.78

Fire Lieutenant Ward was appointed to the department January 29, 1947 and promoted to Lieutenant September 15, 1971. Fire Lieutenant Bacci was appointed November 12, 1958 and promoted to Lieutenant September 1, 1976. Fire Fighter Sears was appointed March 26, 1947. Fire Fighter Doherty was appointed April 9, 1947. Fire Fighter Girvan was appointed June 18, 1947.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. FIRE ALARM BOXES INSTALLED

The following boxes have been installed and company commanders shall add them to their respective circuit cards:

21 - 1664 B.C.H. Out-Patient Dept., Mass. Ave., South Zone
Circuit # 54

23 - 1664 B.C.H. Out-Patient Dept. - Mass. Ave., North Zone
Circuit # 62

III. ASSIGNMENT OF F.F.O.P.'S

The following have been appointed Fire Fighters on Probation at 0800 hours, January 18, 1978:

	TO
Gregory M. Cummings	Engine Company 53
Ricardo Franks	Engine Company 14
Jordan W. Wise	Ladder Company 23
Edward C. Collins	Engine Company 39
Paul E. Covington	Engine Company 50
Lorenzo B. Mathis	Ladder Company 24
Eric A. Singleton	Ladder Company 9
Edward C. Lorenz	Engine Company 56
Alfonzia Holland, III	Ladder Company 13
Neal Santangelo	Ladder Company 29
Philip D. Malone	Ladder Company 8
William J. Mc Carthy	Ladder Company 30

David Mendes	Engine Company 2
John S. Glennon	Ladder Company 23
Thomas S. France	Engine Company 21
Robert Kerrigan	Ladder Company 1
Ronald A. Budd	Engine Company 55
Daniel E. Moore	Engine Company 4
Samuel P. Powell	Engine Company 28
David J. Skarbek	Engine Company 4
Joseph H. Roach	Engine Company 8
Robert F. Buckley	Engine Company 16
Herman B. Donaldson	Ladder Company 20
Joseph J. Curran	Ladder Company 21
Jerome C. Mc Neil	Engine Company 42
William J. Blackstone	Engine Company 9
David E. Pleasant	Ladder Company 25
James A. Ellis	Engine Company 22
Joseph P. Cardoza	Engine Company 52
Lada J. Ross	Engine Company 11
Richard H. Graham	Engine Company 39
Michael Buchanan	Engine Company 14
Vincent E. Foster	Engine Company 26
John J. Nee	Engine Company 40
James E. Lay, Jr.	Ladder Company 14
Kenneth F. Berk	Aerial Tower #1
Robin Pouncie	Engine Company 36
Stephen A. Jerzylo	Ladder Company 11
David L. Hale	Engine Company 24
George P. Healey	Engine Company 5
Curtis D. Holzendorf	Ladder Company 6
John M. Crimlisk	Engine Company 34
Douglas A. Johnson	Engine Company 49
William G. Suprey	Ladder Company 2
Windell C. Josey	Engine Company 43
Francis J. Tierney	Engine Company 29
Paul D. Malone	Engine Company 53
Michael A. Tardivo, Jr.	Engine Company 51
Hershel Lane	Engine Company 16
Craig L. Andrews	Ladder Company 11
Melvin D. Russell	Engine Company 30
Stephen J. Byrne	Engine Company 16
Raymond L. Collins	Engine Company 42
Stephen J. Mc Sherry	Ladder Company 22
John L. Mc Queen	Engine Company 48
Francis W. Piazza	Aerial Tower #1
Francisco Salas	Engine Company 17
Bing Chen	Ladder Company 17
Eugene Jordan	Ladder Company 28
Stephen S. Wong	Engine Company 7
Tommie Campbell	Engine Company 30

These members will be detailed to the Training and Research Division for a period of twelve weeks, and they will report to their assigned companies for a night tour of duty each Saturday night during their drill school period starting February 18, 1978.

Where more than one F.F.O.P. is assigned to the same fire station, company commanders shall alternate the F.F.O.P.'S equally between Friday and Saturday night tours of duty, with the approval of the District Fire Chief.

BY ORDERS OF THE FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 5

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JANUARY 20, 1978

I. RETIREMENTS

The following retirements, in accordance with the provisions and dates indicated, are hereby announced:

Fire Fighter Thomas J. Hanley	Fire Prev. Div.	S5 C32 GL	0800, 1.25.78
Jr. Bldg. Cust. Charles F. Cheevers	Maint. Div.	S6 C32 GL	1700, 1.31.78

Fire Fighter Hanley was appointed to the department January 22, 1947. Jr. Building Custodian Cheevers was appointed March 15, 1967.

Both of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. STREET CLOSING

Due to work being done for the new South Cove Tunnel, HERALD STREET FROM TREMONT STREET TO SHAWMUT AVENUE will be closed from 0700, hours, Monday, January 23, 1978 to 0800 hours,Saturday, February 18, 1978.

Marginal Road from Arlington Street to Shawmut Avenue will be two-way traffic.

III. HAZARDOUS BUILDING

The building located at 59 West Newton Street, District 4 is in a hazardous condition. There are numerous holes in both the first and second floors. A metal chimney extending approximately 45' above the roof line is leaning to one side due to broken supports. The wall where the roof and chimney meet has a crack in it. This building is open to trespassers. In case of fire in this building, members shall use extreme caution. The building has been posted.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 6

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JANUARY 24, 1978

CHANGES IN RULES AND REGULATIONS

Effective 0800 hours, Wednesday, January 25, 1978, the following Rules and Regulations will be changed to read as follows:

Rule 17.15 A member, who while on duty becomes incapable of performing his duties because of sickness or injury, will be relieved from duty by the Medical Examiner or in his absence, by the Deputy or District Fire Chief on duty and shall immediately apply for a leave of absence.

Rule 17.17 Whenever a member reports (via phone or other means) his inability to report for duty, the company officer receiving the call shall immediately notify the District Fire Chief on duty who shall forward such information to the Deputy Fire Chief on duty.

The officer or auxiliary division superior receiving the call shall in addition to forwarding a Form 3, Request for Leave of Absence, report on Form 5A to Headquarters (Personnel Division) the following information: Time of call - Reason for inability to report - Phone number where member can be contacted - Who call was received from - Was it possible to talk to member.

The member is required to be available for contact by a superior officer. Member shall, when ordered by a superior officer, forward a physician's certificate to Headquarters (Personnel Division) or, if so ordered by a superior officer, report to the Medical Examiner.

If unable to report to the Medical Examiner at the end of 48 hours, he shall immediately forward a physician's certificate to Headquarters (Personnel Division). In addition he shall furnish such medical certificates as the Medical Examiner shall require. Member shall report to the Medical Examiner before returning to duty. However, if a member is absent for not more than one tour of duty, he may return to duty without reporting to the Medical Examiner. In this or any other absence, a Form 3B, Return of Absence, must be forwarded to Headquarters.

Company commander shall maintain a company record that has all information relating to each case, including the company officer who received the call and the District Fire Chief notified. He shall notify the Personnel Division by telephone immediately of any abuses of absences for sickness or injury.

Rule 17.18 Delete "Light Duty"

Rule 17.19 DELETE

A copy of these changes will accompany this order and shall be inserted in the rule book.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 7

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JANUARY 27, 1978

BOSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT 300th ANNIVERSARY

The following is a brief summary of the events leading up to the organization of the first fire company in the City of Boston and in the Nation. Today, the Boston Fire Department celebrates the 300th anniversary of the organization of the first fire company.

March 16, 1630

"A fire occurred in the Town of Boston when the chimney of Mr. Thomas Sharp took fire. The wooden construction, which was not clayed at the top, set fire to the thatch roof and burned the house to the ground."

Thus, the first recorded fire in Boston, the house of Mr. Sharp, which was believed to have been situated near the corner of Boylston and Washington Streets, started the events which lead to the appointment of the first Fire Officer and Fire Fighters in North America with the establishment of the first fire company.

At a Town meeting held shortly after this fire, the first fire prevention law was established. "We have ordered that no man (in Boston) shall build his chimney of wood (which was covered with clay) nor cover his house with a roof of thatch."

January 14, 1653

The next major fire in Boston swept over the principal section of the Town. Stored barrels of gunpowder made men fear to come near or to enter a burning house. The fire thus raged along State and Washington Streets. Three young children of the Sheaths family died in this fire, the first recorded fire deaths.

March 1, 1653

A "water engine" made by Joseph Jynks, an iron worker from Lynn, was purchased by the Selectmen of the Town to aid in the fighting of fires. This engine failed in its first major fire.

March 14, 1653

In order to save lives and prevent the spread of fire, an Act was passed by the Selectmen at the Town meeting. "The owners of buildings shall provide a ladder for each building that should reach the ridge-pole. A 12 foot pole with a swab at the end to quench fires on the roof. The Town would provide six long ladders, hung on the outside of the Meeting House. Four strong iron hooks with attached chain and pole to pull down houses in the path of fire. Fire buckets are also supplied."

March 31, 1656

Mr. Jim Nabors was fined five shillings for allowing his chimney to catch fire.

November 27, 1676

At five o'clock in the morning, the terrible cry of "Fire" awakened Boston's inhabitants. Having started just north of Richmond Street, this fire consumed the area bounded by Richmond, Hanover and Clark Streets in just four hours. The sparks were carried across the Charles River and at one point threatened Charlestown. A heavy downpour of rain added greatly in extinguishing this fire.

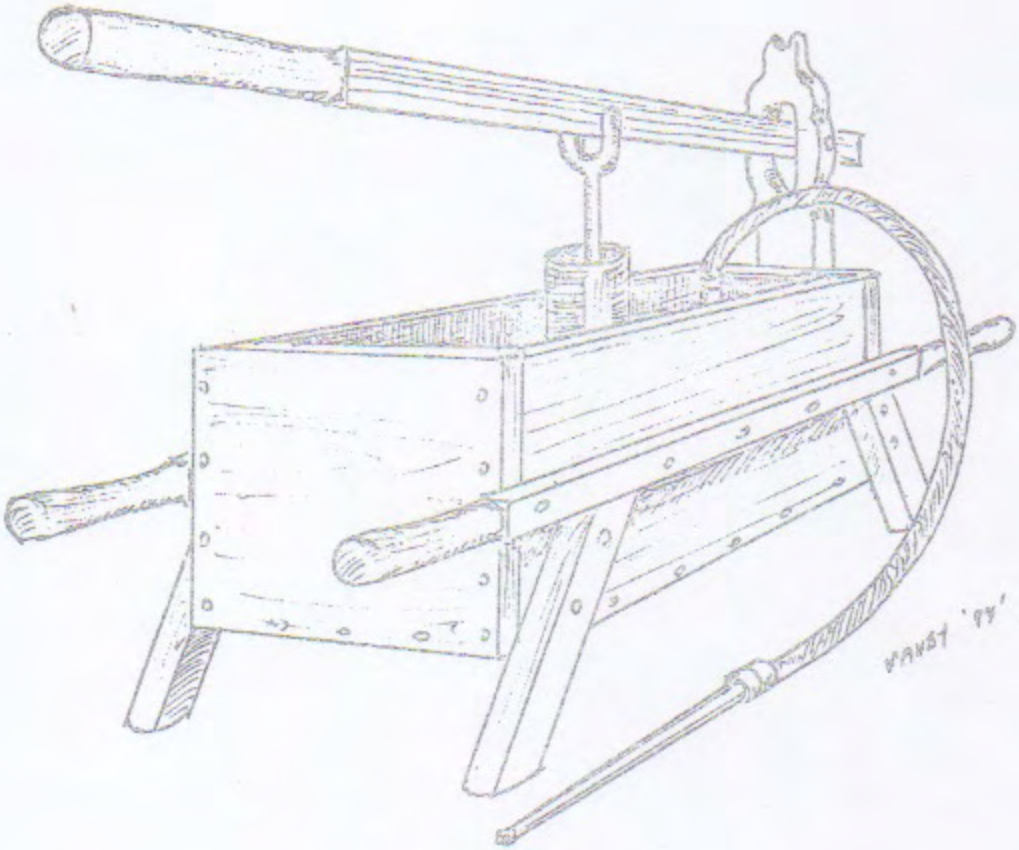
A secret and determined gang of "fire bugs" made many daring attempts to destroy the Town. Candles were fastened to roofs, tallow poured on shingles, barns and warehouses were repeatedly set afire. Fear of flame stalked the Town night after night.

The General Court became alarmed at these incendiary attacks and ordered that all persons in Boston, inhabitants or strangers, were directed to take the "oath of allegiance". For this purpose, constables and tax collectors were directed to take a census every three months.

January 27, 1678

At a Town meeting, the first engine company in Boston was established naming a well-respected carpenter as its Captain. "Mr. Thomas Atkins, with the aid of twelve assistants, will operate and maintain the fire engine purchased from England."

Therein lies the beginning of the BOSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT.....



Ye Engine By Ye Prison

THE ENGINE, IMPORTED FROM ENGLAND IN 1678, WAS LODGED IN A SHED ON THE TOWN'S LAND ON QUEEN STREET (NOW COURT STREET) NEAR WHICH WAS BUILT THE PRISON.

HISTORY OF B.F.D. A.W. BRAYLEY

George H Paul

BY ORDERS OF THE FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 8

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JANUARY 27, 1978

RETIREMENTS

The following retirements, in accordance with the provisions indicated, will become effective at 0800 hours, February 1, 1978:

Fire Captain John J. Mullen	Headquarters Div.	S7 94A C32 GL
Fire Lt. Francis X. McLaughlin	Ladder Co. 15	S7 94 C32 GL
Fire Lt. Richard W. Lynch	Aerial Tower #1	S7 94A C32 GL
F.F. Gerald F. Cahill (Special Hazards Inspector)	Fire Prevention Div.	S58 C32 GL
F.F. Wilbert F. Rice	Engine Co. 45	S5 C32 GL
F.F. William F. Ahern	Engine Co. 4	S7 94 C32 GL

Fire Captain Mullen was appointed to the department February 3, 1947, promoted to Fire Lieutenant May 10, 1967 and promoted to Fire Captain on October 27, 1971. Fire Lieutenant Mc Laughlin was appointed June 2, 1948 and promoted to Fire Lieutenant September 9, 1970. Fire Lieutenant Lynch was appointed April 27, 1955 and promoted to Fire Lieutenant June 20, 1962. Fire Fighter (Special Hazards Inspector) Cahill was appointed Feb. 3, 1947 and promoted to Special Hazards Inspector January 12, 1972. Fire Fighter William F. Ahern was appointed November 5, 1945.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

RETIREMENT LAW CHANGE

Chapter 735, Acts of 1977, effective February 13, 1978.

AN ACT - PERMITTING CERTAIN EMPLOYEES TO CONTINUE WORKING AFTER THEY HAVE REACHED THE MANDATORY RETIREMENT AGE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Chapter 32 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 90E the following section:

Section 90F. Any member in service, classified in Group I, shall continue in service, at his option, notwithstanding the fact that he has attained age seventy; provided, however, that he is mentally and physically capable of performing the duties of his office or position. Such member shall annually, at his own expense, be examined by an impartial physician designated by the retirement authority to determine such capability. No deductions shall be made from the regular compensation of each member under the provisions of this chapter for service after he has attained age seventy and upon retirement such member shall receive a superannuation retirement allowance equal to that to which he would have been entitled had he retired at age seventy.

RETIREMENT RIGHTS

The following notice has been received from the Boston Retirement Board so that all new members may be made aware of their retirement rights and/or benefits as the result of the Passage of 744, Acts of 1977.

If any member has any questions relative to the legislative change, please contact the State - Boston Retirement System.

NOTICE

Due to the Passage of 744, Acts of 1977, any member of the State-Boston Retirement System classified in Group I or Group II except elected officials whose employment became effective on or after January 1, 1978 and at the time of attaining the mandatory retirement age for the Group in which he is classified - age 70 for Group I and age 65 for Group II - has not completed 10 years of creditable (membership) service, shall on the termination of his employment be entitled to a refund of his accumulated retirement deductions with interest in lieu of any superannuation retirement allowance.

HIGH COMMENDATION

At 0540 hours on December 25, 1977, Ladder Company 10 responded to Box 2538 (working fire) location - South Street and Asticou Road.

Upon arrival, Ladder Company 10 found heavy smoke and fire coming from the first floor of the house on the corner of South Street and Asticou Road. Fire Lieutenant Michael J. Bruno of Ladder Company 10 was informed by occupants that had left the fire building that children were trapped in the bedroom on the first floor, South Street side. The entrance on South Street led directly to the second floor and the entrance on Asticou Road was blocked by fire so entry could not be made. Lieutenant Bruno then had the members of Ladder Company 10 place a baby bangor ladder to the first floor bedroom window. Without hesitation or regard for his own safety, he ascended the ladder into the bedroom. Searching the room in the heavy smoke and heat he located a baby in a crib and removed Edward Huber, one year old by passing the boy out the front window to an unknown person. Lieutenant Bruno then searched the room again and finding no one, he returned to the outside.

The baby, Edward Huber, was taken to the Faulkner Hospital with burns on his body and smoke damage to his lungs, then transferred to the New England Medical Center.

The rescue was made at extreme personal risk to Lieutenant Bruno with no thought of his own safety.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend Fire Lieutenant Bruno for this rescue and his case is referred to the Board of Merit for further consideration.

COMPANY DRILLS

Officers conducting company drills shall use S.O.P. #34 "Care of fire hose", as subject matter for the drill period February 1 to February 15, 1978. If the drill item is completed prior to the end of a training period, officers may hold drills on Box locations, routes, special equipment, etc.

LETTER OF THANKS

Dear Commissioner Paul:

"I am writing this letter to you with deep gratitude to Engine Company 18 in Dorchester.

"At 12:20 AM, Monday, January 23, 1978, my father suffered a severe heart attack and after calling for an ambulance and help from the Boston Fire Department, Engine 18 responded with great speed before the ambulance. Under the supervision of Captain Bluthardt, the fire fighters administered oxygen and revived him for the trip to the Carney Hospital.

"I know this is a routine procedure for these men but the extreme conditions existing as a result of the recent storm put extra merit to this deed.

"Ten minutes after we arrived at Carney, three of these same fire fighters, William Ostiguy, James Manning and Joseph Holland were also brought in for emergency treatment resulting from fighting a two alarm fire on Dorchester Avenue.

"These men work from one extreme to another, being angels of mercy to a family in need and next risking their lives for an abandoned building.

"Their kindness to our family and their expertise are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,
Mrs. John J. O'Connor
7 Semont Road, Dorchester, Mass."

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 8 (APPENDED)

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
JANUARY 27, 1978

The following information was omitted from Paragraph 3, General Orders #8, January 27, 1978:

Fire Fighter Rice was appointed to the department January 21, 1948.

Fire Fighter Rice leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 9

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
FEBRUARY 3, 1978

I. FIRE FIGHTER FRANCIS J. SHEEHAN

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death on January 31, 1978 of Fire Fighter Francis J. Sheehan of Engine Company 20. Fire Fighter Sheehan was appointed to the department June 4, 1958.

The funeral will be held from the John O'Connor & Son Funeral Home, 740 Adams Street, Dorchester at 0900 hours Saturday, February 4, 1978 followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Ann's Church, Dorchester at 1000 hours.

The Fire Commissioner will make the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members of Engine Company 20, Training & Research Division, Fire Prevention Division and Headquarters will be excused to attend the services.

II. RETIREMENTS

The following retirements, in accordance with the provisions and dates indicated, are hereby announced:

Dist. Fire Chief James J. Murphy	District 6	S5 C32 GL	0800, 2.1.78
Fire Lieut. William A. Tassinari	Lad. Co. 21	S5 C32 GL	0800, 2.1.78
F.F. Francis M. Keane	Rescue Co. I	S7 94 C32 GL	0800, 2.1.78
F.F. Francis D. Gunning	Marine Unit	S7 C32 GL	0800, 2.1.78
F.F. James M. Walsh	Eng. Co. 48	S7 C32 GL	0800, 2.1.78
F.F. Stanley A. France	Lad. Co. 18	S7 C32 GL	0800, 2.1.78
F.F. Gordon A. Trezzi	Eng. Co. 48	S5 C32 GL	0800, 2.5.78

District Fire Chief Murphy was appointed to the department April 10, 1946, promoted to Lieutenant March 5, 1952, promoted to Fire Captain April 27, 1955, and promoted to District Fire Chief December 31, 1958. Fire Lieutenant Tassinari was appointed January 29, 1947 and promoted to Fire Lieutenant on November 4, 1970. Fire Fighter Keane was appointed November 5, 1945. Fire Fighter Gunning was appointed July 25, 1945. Fire Fighter Walsh was appointed April 7, 1948. Fire Fighter France was appointed October 19, 1955. Fire Fighter Trezzi was appointed February 3, 1947.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

III. TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT

The following termination of employment became effective 0800 hours, Wednesday, February 1, 1978:

Fire Fighter on Probation Louis A. Velazquez, Engine Co. 24
Fire Fighter on Probation Kenneth L. Price, Engine Co. 43

IV. RESIGNATION

The following resignation became effective at 0800 hours, January 30, 1978:

Fire Fighter on Probation Donald W. Ward, Engine Company 34

V. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective at 0800 hours, February 8, 1978:

	FROM	TO
Fire Captain Ralph F. Sangas	Lad. Co. 15	Eng. Co. 33
Fire Captain Martin E. Pierce, Jr.	Eng. Co. 33	Lad. Co. 15
Fire Lieut. Robert E. Felton	Headquarters	Eng. Co. 39
Fire Lieut. Howard Ferguson	Headquarters	Lad. Co. 6
F. F. Joseph P. Abbis	Eng. Co. 17	Eng. Co. 16
F. F. Edward Homer	Eng. Co. 17	Lad. Co. 30
F. F. John F. O'Keefe	Personnel (Med.)	Fire Prevention
F. F. Leo M. Myott	Lad. Co. 21	High Pressure
F. F. Frederick J. Sullivan	Lad. Co. 15	Eng. Co. 33
F. F. Joseph A. Kardoos	Eng. Co. 33	Lad. Co. 15
F. F. Arthur E. Cox	Personnel (Med.)	Headquarters
F. F. Donald H. Harrington	Eng. Co. 53	Headquarters

The following members will be transferred to Personnel Division (Medical) at 0800, February 8, 1978:

F. F. Philip E. Spruill	Lad. Co. 31
F. F. Elgin F. Lynds	Lad. Co. 6
F. F. Carl F. Cuqua	Lad. Co. 16

VI. FIRE PREVENTION LITERATURE

Being issued with this order is the latest material on hazardous materials and their proper identification by decals which this department has received from the Federal Government for the office files at Division and District level. Included with this information is a memo with regards to protecting and preserving of evidence. Limited additional copies of this material may be obtained from the Fire Prevention Division.

VII. GAS AND OIL REPORTS

Commencing Monday, February 6, 1978, the following required reports will be forwarded to Richard J. Carpenter, at the Fire Alarm Office:

Form MD-4 Gasoline and Oil consumption cards (blue card)
Form 20A-White gasoline diesel slips
Gasoline, diesel and fuel oil weekly report

VIII. RIFLE HONOR GUARD DRILLS

Rifle Honor Guard drills for February will be held on February 9th and February 23rd from 1800 to 2230 hours at Memorial Hall at Headquarters.

IX. FIRE ALARM BOXES ESTABLISHED

The following boxes will be installed in the near future and the circuit number will be announced when the boxes are installed. Company Commanders shall add them to their respective assignment cards.

12 - 1294	Harbor Towers - 65 East India Row
13 - 1294	Harbor Towers - 85 East India Row
13 - 1251	Housing for Elderly - 145 Commercial Street
14 - 6155	Neighborhood Health Center - 10 Gove Street

X. FIRE ALARM BOX INSTALLED

The following box has been installed, and company commanders shall add it to circuit card #92:

12 - 7535	Boston Marine Industrial Park - Bldg. 49 Fifth & A Street

XI. CHANGE IN DESIGNATION OF FIRE ALARM BOXES

The designation of the following boxes have been changed, and company commanders shall make the changes on their assignment cards:

21 - 1664	B.C.H. New Care Center - 818 Harrison Ave. - South Bldg.
23 - 1664	B.C.H. New Care Center - 818 Harrison Ave. - North Bldg.

XII. FIRE ALARM BOX DISCONTINUED

The following box has been removed from service, and company commanders shall delete it from assignment cards and circuit card #14:

12 - 5271	Western Avenue Industrial Park - 342 Western Avenue

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 10

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
FEBRUARY 16, 1978

SPECIAL COMMENDATION

All members of the Boston Fire Department who were on duty during the recent severe snowstorm are to be highly commended for their devotion to duty. The personal efforts made by members in reporting for duty under most adverse conditions reflect their spirit and dedication which has been a long tradition in this department.

This emergency was one of the most severe tests that this City and Fire Department have faced in my memory. Every conceivable type of emergency was responded to and successfully concluded by this department, thanks to the sincere dedication and ingenuity of the officers and fire fighters responding to alarms and the performance of the herculean tasks of carrying and raising ladders and running long hose lines in hip deep snow to control the more than 15 multiple alarms that were responded to during the emergency. Every fire was kept within reasonable bounds.

Special recognition must be given to those divisions who many times are forgotten and taken for granted. The emergency motor squad worked under extremely difficult conditions. Without their expertise, firefighting background and sense of duty, this department would have been in serious trouble.

The Fire Alarm Office which operated under heavy pressure due to the condition of the streets, number of multiple alarms and tremendous number of telephone calls, performed an outstanding service. They maintained their efficiency and contributed greatly to the effective response of the fire companies.

As Fire Commissioner of the City of Boston, I am extremely proud and pleased by your actions. I have received numerous compliments from citizens and public officials. They all share with me a feeling of pride in this department and a sense of security because of you.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 11

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
FEBRUARY 16, 1978

I. FIRE FIGHTER JOHN J. MCDONOUGH

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner announces the death of Fire Fighter John J. McDonough of Lighting Plant I who died as the result of injuries received in the line of duty responding to Box 1412 on February 7, 1978. Fire Fighter McDonough was appointed to the department on April 27, 1949.

The funeral was held from the Sullivan Funeral Home, 551 Washington Street, Hanover at 0800, Monday, February 13, 1978, followed by a Funeral Mass in Saint Joseph, The Worker, Church, Route 14, Hanson, at 0900 hours.

The Fire Commissioner made the customary detail to act as funeral escort.

II. RETIREMENT

The following retirement, in accordance with the provision indicated, became effective at 0800 hours, February 11, 1978:

F. F. Thomas A. Radcliffe Ladder Company 13 S58 C32 GL

Fire Fighter Radcliffe was appointed to the department January 21, 1948.

Fire Fighter Radcliffe leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

III. SPECIAL COMMENDATION

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

I am grateful to you for the enormous personal effort and cooperation you contributed to our work throughout the city during the blizzard emergency.

Thank you for helping us keep Boston a better place to live.

Sincerely,

Signed/Kevin H. White

IV. FIRE ALARM BOX DISCONTINUED

The following box has been removed from service, and company commanders shall delete it from assignment card and circuit card #92:

7518 - Boston Marine Industrial Park - A Street and Sixth Street near Powerhouse

V. FIRE ALARM BOX ESTABLISHED

The following box will be installed in the near future and the circuit number will be announced when the box is installed. Company Commanders shall add it to their respective assignment cards for box 72.

16 - 72 M.B.T.A. Dorchester Avenue & West Fourth Street
Signal Repair Facility.

VI. CENTRAL STATION ALARMS

The name of X - LON ALARM COMPANY has been changed to CONGRESS ALARM COMPANY.

VII. LETTER OF THANKS

February 3, 1978

Commissioner Paul:

"I am writing to you to express my thanks on behalf of the Fidelity Building for the prompt response of your District 3 Fire Companies to an emergency call yesterday.

"A Boston Edison transformer beneath the sidewalk at Water and Congress Streets exploded, blowing out windows in Gallagher's Restaurant in our building and causing a loud noise and concussion.

"Within two minutes District Chief Vincent D. Kane was on the scene with his men.

"They conducted themselves in a truly professional manner in their search of our premises and in dealing with the various people involved. Chief Kane in particular was courteous and professional in his conduct.

"Once again, my thanks to your department for their assistance.

Sincerely,

Signed/John W. Koza
Vice President & General Manager

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 12

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
FEBRUARY 23, 1978

I. RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS.

The attention of members of the department is called to Chapter 272 of the Acts of 1966, as accepted by the City of Boston.

"Chapter 272. An Act Allowing Certain Municipal Fire Fighters to Live Outside the City or Town in Which They are Employed. Section 58E. In any city or town which accepts this section, the members of the regular fire department of said city or town who have been members of said department for at least five years may reside outside said city or town; provided, they reside within the commonwealth and within ten miles of the limits of said city or town."

Members of the department are advised that strict compliance to the provisions of this statute will be required.

As a result of the recent Supreme Court decision which clarified the interpretation of the ten mile limit, the following cities and towns are within ten miles of the limits of the City of Boston and is published for the information of all department personnel:

Arlington, Belmont, Braintree, Brookline, Cambridge, Canton, Chelsea, Cohasset, Dedham, Dover, Everett, Hingham, Holbrook, Hull, Lexington, Lynn, Malden, Marblehead, Medford, Melrose, Milton, Nahant, Needham, Newton, Norwood, Quincy, Randolph, Revere, Saugus, Somerville, Stoneham, Stoughton, Swampscott, Wakefield, Waltham, Watertown, Wellesley, Weston, Westwood, Weymouth, Winchester, Winthrop and Woburn.

Portions of the following cities and towns are within ten miles of the limits of the City of Boston:

Abington, Bedford, Brockton, Burlington, Concord, Easton, Framingham,Lincoln, Lynnfield, Medfield, Millis, Natick, Norwell, Peabody, Reading, Rockland, Salem, Scituate, Sharon, Sherborn, Walpole, Wayland and Wilmington.

In the cases of these cities and town, special consideration will be taken for the enforcement of the provisions of this statute.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 13

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MARCH 3, 1978

I. RETIREMENTS

The following retirements, in accordance with the provisions and dates indicated, are hereby announced:

Fire Fighter Walter F. Whelan	Ladder Co. 29	S7, C32, GL	0800, 3.1.78
Fire Fighter Thomas M. Tobin	Engine Co. 39	S7, C32, GL	0800, 3.1.78

Head Clerk & Secretary Eleanor J. Cunniff, Headquarters, S5, C32, GL effective 1700 hours 2.28.78

Fire Fighter Whelan was appointed to the department January 22, 1947. Fire Fighter Tobin was appointed June 4, 1958. Head Clerk & Secretary Cunniff was appointed November 24, 1943, promoted to Senior Clerk & Stenographer April 2, 1952, promoted Principal Clerk & Stenographer September 5, 1956 and Head Clerk & Secretary July 20, 1960.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT

The following termination of employment became effective 0800 hours, Wednesday, March 1, 1978:

Fire Fighter on Probation Douglas W. Engermann, Engine Company 24

III. CORRECTION - RETIREMENT - GENERAL ORDERS NO. 4

The following retirement, with the corrected provisions, reads as follows:

F.F. Alfred R. Sears	Ladder Company 28	S7, 94, C32, GL	0800, 2.1.78

IV. FIRE ALARM BOX DISCONTINUED

The following box has been removed from service and company commanders shall delete it from assignment card and circuit card #79:

12 - 3144 Benjamin Cushing School - 29 Robinson Street

V. FIRE ALARM BOX ESTABLISHED

The following box will be installed in the near future and the circuit number will be announced when the box is installed. Company commanders shall add it to their respective assignment cards for box 3268.

13 - 3268 Florian Hall - 55 Hallet Street

VI. FIRE ALARM BOX INSTALLED

The following box has been installed and company commanders shall add it to Circuit card #68:

21 - 1667 B.C.H. New Mechanical Plant - 750 Albany Street

VI. CHANGE IN DESIGNATION OF FIRE ALARM BOX

The designation of the following box has been changed and company commanders shall make the change on their assignment card:

12 - 2313 Dare School 619 Commonwealth Avenue

VII. CHANGES ON ASSIGNMENT CARDS

Company commanders will make the following changes on the assignment cards, effective at 0800 hours, March 8, 1978:

All 1200 boxes except Boxes 123, 124
2nd Alarm Cover drop E. 2 to E. 39

All 1300 Boxes except 131, 1348, 1349
2nd Alarm Cover drop E. 2 to E. 39

131, 1348, 1349
3rd Alarm Cover drop E. 2 to E. 39

All 1400 boxes except boxes 1411, 1412, 1413, 1414, 1421, 1422
2nd Alarm Cover drop E. 2 to E. 39

Boxes 1511, 1512, 1514, 1515, 1516, 1574, 1575, 1576, 1577, 1578
1579, 1581, 1582, 1583, 1584, 1585
2nd Alarm Cover drop E. 2 to E. 39

Boxes 1519, 1521, 1522, 1523, 1524, 1525, 1526, 153, 1531, 1532
1533, 1534, 1535, 1536, 1537, 1538, 1539, 1544, 1545
3rd Alarm Cover drop E. 2 to E. 29

Boxes 41, 411
3rd Alarm Cover Drop E. 2 to E. 39

Box 43
4th Alarm cover drop E. 2 to E. 39

Box 431
3rd Alarm Cover - Drop E. 2 to E. 39

All 6100 boxes except boxes 612, 6121, 6122, 6123, 6124, 6125, 6126, 6127, 6128, 6129, 6191
4th Alarm Cover Drop. E. 2 to E. 39

Boxes 6211, 6213, 6214, 6215, 6217, 6218, 6219, 6221, 6223, 6224
6225, 6232, 6234, 6236, 6237, 6241, 6242, 6243, 6244, 6245
6246, 6247, 6248, 6249, 625, 6251, 6252, 6253, 6255, 6256
6258, 6262, 6263, 6264, 6266, 6271 also box 6212
4th Alarm Cover drop E. 2 to E. 39

6227, 6228, 6229
3rd Alarm Cover Drop E. 2 to E. 39

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 15

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MARCH 10, 1978

I. RETIREMENT

The following retirement, in accordance with the provision indicated, became effective at 0800 hours, March 8, 1978:

F. F. Joseph J. Falcone Engine Co. 30 S5, C32, GL

Fire Fighter Falcone was appointed to the department January 29, 1947.

Fire Fighter Falcone leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

II. PROMOTIONS

The following Fire Fighters will be promoted to Fire Lieutenants and transferred at 0800, March 15, 1978:

	FROM	TO
Boccuzzo, Kevin F.	Ladder Company 22	Headquarters
Flaherty, James M.	Engine Co. 16	Headquarters
Cummings, Francis, Jr.	Engine Co. 26	Ladder Co. 10
McKenna, John J.	Rescue Co. 2	Headquarters
Reynolds, Robert T.	Engine Co. 17	Headquarters
McGinn, Richard J.	Ladder Co. 1	Ladder Co. 24
Callahan, Edward J.	Engine Co. 52	Headquarters
Johnson, David E.	Fire Prevention	Fire Prevention
Williams, Frank E.	Engine Co. 55	Engine Co. 41
Reardon, Thomas C.	Engine Co. 18	Headquarters
Price, Donald P.	Engine Co. 37	Headquarters
Perkins, Arthur E.	Engine Co. 21	Headquarters
Montello, Martin F.	Engine Co. 51	Headquarters
Dorsey, Robert T.	Ladder Co. 29	Headquarters
DelSignore, Joseph F.	Engine Co. 55	Headquarters
Buckley, William J.	Engine Co. 42	Headquarters
Hurley, Vincent P.	Ladder Co. 27	Headquarters
McLellan, Paul	Engine Co. 24	Headquarters
Page, Arthur E.	Engine Co. 3	Headquarters
Flynn, Paul	Ladder Co. 1	Ladder Co. 2

III. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective at 0800, March 15, 1978:

Dist. Fire Chief Paul B. McNiff	District 4	District 6
Dist. Fire Chief Edward P. Kenney	District 11	District 12
Dist. Fire Chief Vincent D. Kane	District 3	District 9
Dist. Fire Chief Hugh F. J. Duffy	Special Service	District 6
Dist. Fire Chief Chester W. Eastman	Special Service	District 4
Dist. Fire Chief Gerard F. Walton	Special Service	District 11
Dist. Fire Chief Robert O. MacInnes	Headquarters	District 3
Dist. Fire Chief Joseph A. Russell	Headquarters	Special Service
Dist. Fire Chief John J. Hurley, Jr.	Headquarters	Sepcial Service
Dist. Fire Chief John R. Greene	District 6	Headquarters

TRANSFERS CONTINUED

	FROM	TO
Fire Lieut Peter J. Anastasia	Ladder Co. 2	Ladder Co. 21
F.F. John J. Horgan, Jr.	Maintenance	Aerial Tower 1
F.F. Frank C. Jacobs	Engine Co. 29	Ladder Co. 25
F.F. Donald C. Taber	Ladder Co. 29	Engine Co. 45
F.F. John F. Brennan	Engine Co. 26	Engine Co. 1
F.F. Matthew McDonagh	Engine Co. 4	Engine Co. 28
F.F. William M. Nagle	Engine Co. 12	Engine Co. 1
F.F. Arthur E. Hitchman	Engine Co. 12	Engine Co. 26
F.F. William J. Hegarty	Engine Co. 12	Engine Co. 29
F.F. James Ealey	Personnel (Med.)	Training & Research
F.F. Joseph F. Hourihan	Engine Co. 56	Engine Co. 12

The following members will be transferred to Personnel Division, (Medical) at 0800 hours, March 15, 1978:

Dist. Fire Chief John M. Sullivan	Special Service
Fire Captain Frank A. Bergdoll	Engine Co. 49
Fire Captain Wilfred R. Powell	Ladder Co. 22
Fire Lieut. Walter V. O'Brien	Ladder Co. 10
F.F. George J. Lohnes	Ladder Co. 31
F.F. George A. McCarthy	Engine Co. 5
F.F. John J. Harrison	Engine Co. 21
F.F. Norman L. Maddock	Ladder Co. 16
F.F. Edward C. Becker	Maintenance Div.

IV. HEARTSAVER PROGRAM

On January 25, 1978, the department instituted its "Heartsaver" program in conjunction with the Massachusetts Heart Association. This is a four (4) hour, one (1) man, C.P.R. training session designed to teach as many residents of Boston how to perform C.P.R. on a fellow citizen, for those few minutes prior to the arrival of the Fire Department and subsequent transport to the emergency ward of the nearest hospital.

In order to effectively publicize this program, bumper stickers are being distributed to the department. These stickers are to be affixed to the bumpers of all apparatus and department vehicles.

V. COMPANY DRILLS

Officers conducting company drills during the period March 15 to March 31, 1978 shall use S.O.P. #11 "Bomb Incidents". Also, review pages 44 to 51 in the Emergency Medical Service, CPR and First Aid Training Handbook.

VI. LETTER OF THANKS

February 3, 1978

Dear Commissioner:

"I am writing this letter in complimenting your fire personnel on the evening of February 7, 1978.

"The fire occurred about 2 A. M. during the terrible nite of the snow storm at 84 Bay State Road. Your personnel did a tremendous job during these circumstances.

"I know the fire was a minor catastrophe but could have been fatal if not controlled.

"Please accept my gratitude and deep thanks from myself and the people (tenants) of 86 Bay State Road, Boston.

Sincerely,
Signed/Anna K. Lee, Apt. #3"

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 16

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MARCH 23, 1978

I. RETIREMENT

The following retirement, in accordance with the provisions indicated, will become effective at 0800 hours, April 1, 1978:

F. F. William Cosgrove Training & Research Division S7, 94A, C32, GL

Fire Fighter Cosgrove was appointed to the department January 21, 1948.

Fire Fighter Cosgrove leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

II. RESIGNATION

The following resignation became effective at 0800 hours, March 18, 1978:

Fire Fighter Lewis Murphy Engine Company 28

III. CHANGE IN RULE BOOK

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Rule 18.37

In the first sentence, delete 6 months and insert 12 months. Rule shall read as follows:

Probationers who have served 12 months, graduated from Drill School, and have been approved for permanent appointment by the Medical Examiner, will, if of satisfactory record and possessed a motor vehicle driver's license, be given certificates of permanent appointment.

IV. COMBUSTIBLE GAS INDICATORS

The following districts shall make arrangements to leave the Combustible Gas Indicators assigned to the district car in quarters on the days indicated below. Fire Inspectors McPherson & Fitzsimmons shall be in quarters to check the condition of each meter and make any minor repairs as needed with regards to batteries, etc.

Districts 1, 2, 3 and Rescue . . . . . Monday, March 27
Districts 4, 6 & SSU . . . . . Wednesday, March 29
Districts 5, 7, 8 & Rescue . . . . . Friday, March 31
Districts 9, 10, 11 & 12 . . . . . Monday, April 3

V. FIRE ALARM BOX ESTABLISHED

The following box will be installed in the near future and the circuit number will be announced when the box is installed. Company Commanders shall add it to their respective assignment cards for box 1286.

12 - 1286 U.S. Custom House Tower - 4 India Street

VI. FIRE ALARM BOXES INSTALLED

The following boxes have been installed and company commanders shall add them to their respective circuit cards:

12 - 1371 Boston Athenaeum - 10½ Beacon Street - Circuit Card #10
14 - 6155 Neighborhood Health Center - 10 Gove Street - Circuit Card #28
16 - 72 M.B.T.A. Dorchester Ave. & West Fourth St. - Signal Repair Facility - Circuit Card #33
13 - 2312 New England Institute - 656 Beacon Street - Circuit Card #78

VII. COMMENDATION

On March 5, 1978, Box 1873 (2 alarms) was struck for a fire at 96 Sawyer Avenue, Dorchester where several people were trapped in the building and the obstacles encountered because of the recent severe snow storms were such that great restrictions were placed on the mobility and fire fighting operations of the companies which responded.

Despite all the handicaps, the members of the companies who responded, performed in an extraordinary and professional manner and effected the rescue of all persons trapped within the building. Their actions reflected great credit on the Boston Fire Department.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend all companies and members that responded to this alarm for their outstanding tenacious dedication to duty.

VIII. LETTER OF THANKS

March 11, 1978

Dear Commissioner Paul:

"On behalf of the members of the Boston Health and Hospitals EMT Association, I wish to thank you and the men of your department for the assistance and excellent cooperation given us during the February State of Emergency.

Gratefully yours,
Signed/E. Wm. Reardon
President"

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 18

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MARCH 29, 1978

I. RETIREMENTS

The following retirements, in accordance with the provisions and dates indicated, are hereby announced:

F.F. Edward T. Upton	Eng. Co. 14	S5, C32, GL	0800, 4.1.78
F.F. (Spec. Hazards Insp.) Edward F. McDonald	Fire Prev.	S7, 94, C32, GL	0800, 4.1.78
Fire Lieut. Wm. F. Dyer	Eng. Co. 51	S5, C32, GL	0800, 4.1.78
F.F. Robert Moore	Lad. Co. 21	S7, 94, C32, GL	0800, 4.1.78
F.F. Dale Osborne	Eng. Co. 1	S7, C32, GL	0800, 4.1.78
F.F. James W. Ranahan	Lad. Co. 14	S7, 94A, C32, GL	0800, 4.1.78
F.F. James MacCune	Eng. Co. 55	S58, C32, GL	0800, 4.2.78
F.F. Joseph F. Adams	Lad. Co. 30	S58, C32, GL	0800, 4.6.78

Fire Fighter Upton was appointed to the department January 22, 1947. Fire Fighter (Special Hazards Inspector) McDonald was appointed December 8, 1943 and appointed Special Hazards Inspector January 12, 1972. Fire Lieutenant Dyer was appointed January 21, 1948 and promoted to Lieutenant March 13, 1957. Fire Fighter Moore was appointed May 20, 1964. Fire Fighter Osborne was appointed May 17, 1972. Fire Fighter Ranahan was appointed August 22, 1973. Fire Fighter MacCune was appointed April 7, 1948. Fire Fighter Adams was appointed February 19, 1947.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. APPOINTMENT OF FIRE ALARM OPERATORS ON PROBATION

The following have been appointed Fire Alarm Operators on Probation at 0800 hours, March 22, 1978:

William J. Chisolm
Peter J. Clifford
Paul J. Rosemond
Hugh J. Duffy

III. PARADE

The Boston Fire Department will take part in the Evacuation - St. Patrick's Day Parade in South Boston on Sunday, April 2, 1978. Engine 39, Aerial Tower 1 and Rescue Company 1; with all men on duty in regulation uniform and the Scuba Unit, shall report to the District Fire Chief of District 6 in Andrew Square at 1245 hours, proceed over the route of the parade just prior to the official start and then return to quarters.

All members of the Rifle Honor Guard will report to District Fire Chief Laing opposite St. Monica's Church, Old Colony Avenue and Preble Street at 1215 hours.

IV. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective at 0800 hours, April 5, 1978:

	FROM	TO
Fire Captain John A. Dovi	Headquarters	Engine Co. 49
Fire Lieut. Joseph V. O'Donnell	Ladder Co. 31	Engine Co. 20
Fire Lieut. John F. Finneran	Engine Co. 20	Ladder Co. 31
F.F. Vincent M. Liotta	Ladder Co. 24	Engine Co. 9
F.F. William E. Bradley	Aerial Tower 2	Ladder Co. 28
F.F. John C. Mc Cue	Ladder Co. 28	Aerial Tower 2
F.F. David J. Hansford	Personnel (Med.)	Fire Prevention

The following members will be transferred to Personnel Division (Medical) at 0800 hours, April 8, 1978:

F.F. Frederick I. Smith	Engine Co. 49
F.F. Robert R. Cunio	Ladder Co. 20

V. LETTER OF THANKS

March 20, 1978

Sir:

"About 4:00 A.M. Saturday, March 18, 1978, a fire was started accidentally on the top floor of my home at 32 Upton Street, Boston which required the services of the Boston Fire Department.

"My mother telephoned the Fire Department and within minutes your fire fighters responded and quickly extinguished the blaze.

"Your promptness in responding, courtesy shown my mother and sister, and skill in extinguishing the flames are sincerely appreciated by all of us.

"I was not surprised by the excellence shown by your men in dealing with this emergency as I have learned first hand how proficient our Fire Department is.

"But this was the first time my mother and sister have observed your willingness to assist and the true professionalism exhibited by your men.

"They have asked me to convey our heartfelt thanks to all of you who are eager to serve those in need at any time of day or night.

"Please bring this sincere letter of praise to the attention of all concerned and, once again, thank you for displaying the best example of true professionalism of a Fire Department - service to the public.

Sincerely
Signed/Harry Lagos
32 Upton Street, Boston"

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 21

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
APRIL 7, 1978

I. RETIREMENT

The following retirement, in accordance with the provision and date indicated, is hereby announced:

F.F. Frederick A. Cummings Engine Company 11 S5, C32, GL 0800, 4.8.78

Fire Fighter Cummings was appointed to the department June 2, 1948.

Fire Fighter Cummings leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

II. RETIREMENT RESCINDED

In reference to General Order 20 of 1978, the following retirement has been rescinded:

F.F. Robert N. Anderson Engine Company 34

III. CHANGE IN RULE 17.17

Paragraph 2, line 2, Form 5A should be changed to read Form 5P.

Paragraph 5, 4th sentence, should be changed to read:

However, if a member is absent for not more than one tour of duty, and returns to a tour of duty within 48 hours, he does not have to report to the Medical Examiner unless so ordered by a superior officer. In this or any other absence, a Form 3B, Return of Absentee, must be forwarded to Headquarters.

IV. NEW FORM 5P

A new Form 5P, MEMBER UNABLE TO REPORT TO DUTY, is being distributed with this order. This form is self explanatory and shall be made out and submitted by the company officer or auxiliary division superior when a member is unable to report for a tour of duty due to injury or illness.

Under Remarks, state the following:

1. Whether a physician's certificate was requested or the member was ordered to report to the Department Medical Examiner.

2. The name of the District Fire Chief or the superior officer who was notified by the company officer who received the call. (Rule 17.17)

This new Form 5P will replace the Form 5A required in paragraph 2 of Rule 17.17.

V. HAZARDOUS BUILDING

The building located at 277 Dudley Street, District 5 is in a hazardous condition. The left sidewall of the 4 story brick building is in extremely hazardous condition and could collapse at anytime. The building is vacant and open to trespassers. In case of fire in this building, members shall use extreme caution. The building has been posted.

VI. LETTER OF THANKS

March 23, 1978

Dear Commissioner Paul:

"Due to severe storm conditions on January 20, 1978, our institution requested a standby fire unit. Again, during the blizzard of February 6, 1978, we requested the assistance of your Department to stand by in case of emergency.

"On both occasions Engine 56 was dispatched with Fire Fighters David Worrell, Peter Martinelli and Jesse Jones, under the command of Captain Acacio Gazo.

"At about 10:30 P.M. on February 6, it became necessary to evacuate our Chief Engineer, his wife, and four children. This evacuation was accomplished by the above-named fire fighters without incident even though they had to battle the elements of a blinding snow blown by winds of 70 m.p.h. and they had to wade through knee-deep water.

"May I take this opportunity to thank you for sending such highly capable men to our assistance. May I request that you extend to them my personal gratitude for the high degree of dedication and professionalism shown by our brothers in Public Safety.

Sincerely,
Signed/William R. Celester
Commissioner
Penal Institutions Dept."

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 22

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
APRIL 14, 1978

I. RETIREMENTS

The following retirements, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, C32, G. L., will become effective on the dates indicated:

Fire Lieut. John J. McKenna	Ladder Co. 28	0800, 5.1.78
F.F. Earl H. Henson	Engine Co. 32	0800, 4.23.78

Fire Lieutenant McKenna was appointed to the department January 29, 1941 and promoted to Lieutenant December 5, 1951. Fire Fighter Henson was appointed January 22, 1947.

Both of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective at 0800, April 19, 1978:

	FROM	TO
Fire Lieut. Robert W. Brundige	Engine Company 36	Ladder Company 9
Fire Lieut. Arthur E. Page	Headquarters	Engine Company 36
Fire Lieut. Paul McLellan	Headquarters	Engine Company 51
F. F. Adrian J. Doyle	Ladder Company 25	Ladder Company 8
F. F. William F. Noonan	Engine Company 3	Fire Prevention
F. F. Edward J. Burke	Personnel(Medical)	Training & Research

The following members will be transferred to Personnel Division, (Medical) at 0800 hours, April 19, 1978:

Fire Lieut. Walter E. Stearns	Ladder Company 9
F. F. Howard F. Clinkscale	Ladder Company 31
F. F. John J. White	Ladder Company 21
F. F. Nicholas Vekos	Engine Company 5
F. F. Robert L. LaRose	Ladder Company 13
F. F. Joseph B. Abban	Engine Company 2
F. F. Francis R. Drake	Engine Company 30
F. F. John J. Ryan	Ladder Company 5

III. FIRE ALARM BOX INSTALLED

The following box has been installed and company commanders shall add it to Circuit card #39:

13 - 3268 Florian Hall - 55 Hallet Street

IV. CHANGE IN DESIGNATION OF FIRE ALARM BOX

The designation of the following box has been changed and company commanders shall make the change on their assignment card:

7516 Boston Marine Industrial Park - Seventh Street and Dry Dock Avenue

V. COMPANY DRILLS

Officers conducting company drills shall use SOP #24 "Building Inspection" and SOP #25 "Abatement Order Procedure", as subject matter during the period April 15 to April 30, 1978.

VI. COMMENDATION

Aerial Tower 1 responded to Box 1541 for a fire at Tremont and Dartmouth Streets, Boston at 2228 hours, April 1, 1978. A man, running from a building at 606 Tremont Street informed fire fighters that a man was trapped in a fourth floor apartment at said building.

Fire Fighters Patrick Munroe and Michael Cedorchuk, detailed to Aerial Tower 1, immediately ran up the stairs where they were confronted with heavy smoke in the fourth floor hallway. When they reached the apartment, the door was locked. With the aid of a hallagan tool, they forced open the door and found the apartment to be heavily charged with smoke and heat. Fire Fighters Munroe and Cedorchuk began searching on their hands and knees and found an elderly man unconscious on the floor. They carried him from the apartment to the outside where first aid was administered.

This rescue was performed under great personal risk before ventilation could be carried out and lines of hose placed and charged.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Munroe and Fire Fighter Cedorchuk for this rescue which was made under very trying conditions.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 24

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
APRIL 21, 1978

I. RETIREMENTS

The following retirements, in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, C32, G. L., will become effective on the dates indicated:

Fire Captain Andrew M. Kelly	Engine Co. 51	0800 hrs. 4.21.78
F. F. Harvey Campbell	Ladder Co. 8	0800 hrs. 5.1.78
F. F. Daniel F. Kent	Engine Co. 32	0800 hrs. 5.1.78
Dist. Fire Chief George A. Comfrey	District 12	0800 hrs. 5.1.78

Fire Captain Kelly was appointed to the department April 9, 1947. He was promoted to Fire Lieutenant March 12, 1958 and promoted to Fire Captain July 15, 1970. Fire Fighter Campbell was appointed January 29, 1947. Fire Fighter Kent was appointed January 22, 1947. District Fire Chief Comfrey was appointed January 29, 1941. He was promoted to Fire Lieutenant October 17, 1945, promoted to Fire Captain January 9, 1952, promoted to District Fire Chief March 4, 1970.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. CENTRAL STATION ALARMS

The name of AMERICAN PROTECTION SYSTEMS has been changed to N. D. SECURITY.

III. FIRE ALARM BOX ESTABLISHED

The following box will be installed in the near future and the circuit number will be announced when the box is installed. Company Commanders shall add it to their respective assignment cards for box 181.

14 - 181 Administration Building - 270 Mt. Vernon Street

IV. FIRE ALARM BOX INSTALLED

The following box has been installed and company commanders shall add it to Circuit card #27:

15 - 2235 Madison Park High School Building #4

V. HAZARDOUS BUILDING

The building located at 12 St. George Street, District 4, is in a hazardous condition. This building was the scene of a 2 alarm fire at 2003-2004 hours, April 17, 1978. In case of fire in this building, members shall use extreme caution. The building has been posted.

VI. COMMENDATIONS

Fire Fighter Gerard Leahy of Rescue Company 2 is to be commended for his participation in and successful completion of the recent Patriot's Day Marathon.

This involvement on the part of Fire Fighter Leahy and the recent successful conclusion of the Dietetic and Nutritional course at the Carney Hospital reflects a growing interest on the part of members of the department in their personal health which can be of great benefit not only to them, but also to their families and the department.

VII. LETTERS OF THANKS

April 13, 1978

Dear Commissioner Paul:

"I am very happy to write this letter to you to praise one of your dedicated men that saved me from a very tragic accident.

"On April 2, 1978, I attended a social event and as we were eating our dinner, I happened to choke on a piece of roast beef and could not talk or ask for help. The efforts of people trying to help me failed, but the quick reactions of off-duty Lieutenant John F. Hasson of Engine Company 43 performing the Heimlich method he learned in the EMT course with the Boston Fire Department saved my life.

"I feel praise should be given to this man as I am very grateful that such an experienced person was there to help me in this very frightening happening.

Very truly yours,
Signed/ Virginia M. Pillard"

April 10, 1978

Dear Commissioner:

"I would like to commend District Chief Thomas Dunbar and the members of the Boston Fire Department especially Engine Company 37 and Ladder Company 30 who worked at the fire at 140 Thorndike Street, Brookline on April 9, 1978.

"These men did an excellent job under severe fire and smoke conditions.

Sincerely,
Signed/ John J. Duffy
Acting Chief"

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GOERGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 25

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
APRIL 27, 1978

I. RETIREMENTS

The following retirements, in accordance with the provisions indicated, will become effective at 0800 hours, May 1, 1978:

F. F. John F. White	Ladder Co. 21	S7, C32, GL
F. F. Stephen E. Bogue	Ladder Co. 17	S7, 94 A, C32, GL
F. F. John G. Kenney	Engine Co. 30	S5, C32, GL

Fire Fighter White was appointed to the department January 29, 1947. Fire Fighter Bogue was appointed January 21, 1948. Fire Fighter Kenney was appointed April 27, 1949.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. TIME CHANGE

Sunday, April 30, 1978 is the day required by law to make the change in clock time. In order to conform with the law, clocks in department stations will be set ahead one hour at 0200 hours.

III. HAZARDOUS BUILDINGS

Buildings located at 1262 Blue Hill Avenue, 14 Hannon Street, and 131 - 135 Norfolk Street, District Eight are in hazardous condition.

1262 Blue Hill Avenue - Roof collapse
14 Hannon Street - Rear stairs missing
131 - 135 Norfolk Street - Holes in floor on first floor

In case of fire in these buildings, members shall use extreme caution. These buildings have been posted.

The building located at 37 Newbury Street, District 4 is unsafe for fire fighting operations. The top floors are dropped and there are no stairs from the street floor to upper floors. The first floor has a bulge in the center of the floor. This building is open to tresspassers. In case of fire in this building, members shall use extreme caution. The building has been posted.

IV. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective at 0800 hours, May 3, 1978:

Fire Lieut. James Brodbeck	Personnel (Medical)	Training & Research
F. F. Robert B. MacKinnon	Engine Co. 3	Engine Co. 20
F. F. James F. Murphy	Ladder Co. 9	Engine Co. 32
F. F. Charles R. Messina	Engine Co. 32	Ladder Co. 9

The following members will be transferred to Personnel Division (Medical) at 0800 hours, May 3, 1978:

Fire Lieut. John J. McCarthy	Ladder Co. 26
F. F. Edwin T. Keenan	Engine Co. 8

April 12, 1978

Dear Commissioner Paul:

"I wish to express my deep appreciation to the members of your fire companies in the South End of Boston for their excellent work in fighting a fire at our Center on February 26, 1978. Our fire alarm was answered immediately and the fire was extinguished in a very professional and competent manner, resulting in no physical injury to our residents as well as a minimum of property damage.

"I am always inpressed by the speed and capability of the members of the Fire Department. You are to be congratulated for an excellent department. Please pass my thanks on to the fire fighters of the South End. Their competence and dedication mean safety and peace of mind for all of us in this area.

Sincerely,
Signed/Bastian Vandezalm
Director"

April 24, 1978

Dear Sir:

"I would be most remiss if I did not at this time send a note to thank the Fire Department for its most needed and appreciated help over the past few weeks.

"On two separate occasions - March 6 and April 14 - I had to summon help for my mother who was in the throes of heart failure. On each day the gentlemen who came to help were most courteous, reassuring and helpful. They catered to my mother and helped to keep her as calm as possible through her breathing difficulties and until the ambulance arrived. Particularly on April 14 when the ambulances assigned to our area were busy and we had quite a long wait, the two EMTs who stayed with us until additional help arrived were marvelous. I cannot compliment them enough.

"As you can imagine I was in an extremely nervous state myself and failed to get any of the names of these men. I would, therefore, appreciate it very much if you could look it up in the records as to which stations responded to my calls for help and commend the men who were on duty. They certainly deserve it.

"Once again, my sincere thanks for the efforts of these men. It is most comforting and reassuring to know that people of this caliber are always on call to help. My mother, Sara Pearlstein, of course sends her most heartfelt THANK YOU to these men.

Sincerely,
Signed/Harriet Abrams"

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 26

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 3, 1978

I. RETIREMENT

The following retirement, in accordance with the provisions and date indicated, is hereby announced:

F.F. Robert R. Dean Ladder Co. 2 S7, 94, C32, GL 0800, 5.1.78

Fire Fighter Dean was appointed to the department June 4, 1958.

He leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

II. PROMOTIONS

The following Fire Lieutenants are promoted to Fire Captains, effective 0800, May 3, 1978:

Fire Lieut. William E. Foley	Engine Company 37
Fire Lieut. Frank J. Cronin	Ladder Company 29
Fire Lieut. Robert D. Beagle	Ladder Company 1
Fire Lieut. William R. Tehan	Engine Company 26
Fire Lieut. George F. Gravallese	Engine Company 5
Fire Lieut. John J. Force	Engine Company 24
Fire Lieut. Robert H. Donovan	Ladder Company 5
Fire Lieut. Paul B. McCarthy	Engine Company 7
Fire Lieut. David B. LeBrun	Ladder Company 16
Fire Lieut. John A. Lockhead	Rescue Company 2
Fire Lieut. Edmund G. Maiorana	Engine Company 14

III. CHANGE IN ASSIGNMENT CARDS

The Milton Street Bridge, Hyde Park, is now open to traffic in both directions.

Company Commanders will make the following changes on the assignment cards effective at 0800, May 4, 1978:

Engine response	-	3831, 3832
Order of response	-	1st alarm E.49, E.48

Engine response -	3833, 3834, 3835, 3836, 3837, 3841, 3843, 3844, 3845, 3861, 3862, 3871, 3872, 3873, 3874, 3875, 3876, 3877
1st Alarm	drop E.55, add E.49
2nd Alarm	drop E.49, add E.55
Order of response	1st alarm E.49, E.48
	2nd alarm E.55, 45, 16, 30

Engine response	3842
	1st alarm - drop E. 55, add E. 49
	2nd alarm - drop E. 49, add E. 55
Order of response	1st alarm - E. 49, E. 48
	2nd alarm - E. 55, 45, 16, 30
Engine response	3846, 3847, 3851, 3853, 3854, 3855, 3856, 3857, 3858, 3859
Order of response	2nd alarm - E. 55, 45, 16, 30
Ladder response	3842
	Order of response 1st alarm - L. 28, L. 5
Ladder response	3846, 3847, 3851, 3853, 3854, 3855, 3856, 3857, 3858 3859
	1st alarm - Drop L. 16, add L. 5
	2nd alarm - Drop L. 5, add L. 16
Order of response	1st alarm - L. 28, L. 5
	2nd alarm - L. 16, L. 6

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Box 8213 - Mutual Aid - Winthrop

Engine response	3rd alarm - drop E. 39, add E. 1
Engine covering	2nd alarm - drop E. 39 to 56, add E. 1 to 56
Order of response	3rd alarm - E. 1, E. 8

8215 - Mutual Aid - Chelsea

Engine covering	3rd alarm - drop E. 39 to Chel. 2, add E. 1 to Chel. 2

8216 - Mutual Aid - Everett

Engine covering	2nd alarm - drop E. 39 to E. 8, add E. 1 to E. 8

8217 - Mutual Aid - Somerville

Engine covering	4th alarm - drop E. 39 to Som. 3, add E. 1 to Som. 3

IV. FIRE ALARM BOXES INSTALLED

The following boxes have been installed and company commanders shall add them to their respective circuit cards:

14 - 181	Administration Building	- 270 Mt. Vernon Street	Circuit Card #49
13 - 1272	Fidelity Building	- 82 Devonshire Street	Circuit Card #10

V. HAZARDOUS BUILDING

The building at 440 Hanover Street, District 3 is in hazardous condition. This condition has been caused by renovation operations and the debris not being removed. In case of fire in this building, members shall use extreme caution. The building has been posted.

VI. LETTER OF THANKS

46 Creighton Street
Jamaica Plain, Ma. 02130

Dear Commissioner:

"We want to thank Lieutenant Francis Cummings and Fire Fighter John McDonald of Ladder 10, Jamaica Plain, for their instant response to the above address, where my husband Patrick Begley was very ill on Friday evening, April 14th.

"They certainly saved his life by giving him oxygen until the ambulance arrived. He is now recuperating in the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital.

"Again, we want to thank these wonderful men for a nice job, well done.

Gratefully yours,
Signed / Nora Begley and Family
Mary M. Corbett"

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 27

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 5, 1978

I. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective at 0800, May 10, 1978:

	FROM	TO
Fire Capt. Joseph Rorke	Engine Company 42	Engine Company 51
Fire Lieut. Paul M. Lentine	Engine Company 25	Engine Company 37
Fire Lieut. William J. Buckley	Headquarters	Engine Company 25
Fire Lieut. Henry Bushe	Ladder Company 11	Ladder Company 29
Fire Lieut. Robert T. Dorsey	Headquarters	Ladder Company 11
Fire Lieut. Paul J. Hastings	Ladder Company 17	Ladder Company 1
Fire Lieut. Walter J. Wyse	Engine Company 8	Ladder Company 17
Fire Lieut. Martin F. Montello	Headquarters	Engine Company 8
Fire Lieut. Donald P. Price	Headquarters	Engine Company 26
Fire Lieut. Vincent P. Hurley	Headquarters	Engine Company 5
Fire Lieut. Robert E. Felton	Engine Company 39	Engine Company 24
Fire Lieut. Paul D. Hurley	Aerial Tower 1	Engine Company 39
Fire Lieut. Arthur E. Perkins	Headquarters	Aerial Tower 1
Fire Lieut. John J. Creedon	Rescue Company 1	Ladder Company 5
Fire Lieut. John J. McKenna	Headquarters	Rescue Company 1
Fire Lieut. Kevin F. Boccuzzo	Headquarters	Engine Company 7
Fire Lieut. Gerard Molito	Engine Company 45	Ladder Company 16
Fire Lieut. Joseph F. DelSignore	Headquarters	Engine Company 45
Fire Lieut. Stephen McLaughlin	Ladder Company 29	Rescue Company 2
Fire Lieut. Robert Winston	Engine Company 52	Ladder Company 29
Fire Lieut. John E. Conway	Engine Company 29	Engine Company 52
Fire Lieut. Thomas C. Reardon	Headquarters	Engine Company 29
Fire Lieut. Robert T. Reynolds	Headquarters	Engine Company 14
Fire Lieut. Robert Grenier	Engine Company 4	Ladder Company 28
Fire Lieut. James M. Flaherty	Headquarters	Engine Company 4
Fire Lieut. Edward J. Callahan	Headquarters	Ladder Company 26
Fire Capt. William J. Foley, Jr.	Engine Company 37	Engine Company 42
Fire Capt. Frank J. Cronin	Ladder Company 29	Ladder Company 13
Fire Capt. Robert P. Beagle	Ladder Company 1	Ladder Company 22
Fire Capt. William R. Tehan	Engine Company 26	Headquarters
Fire Capt. George F. Gravallese	Engine Company 5	Headquarters
Fire Capt. Robert H. Donovan	Ladder Company 5	Engine Company 12
Fire Capt. Paul B. McCarthy	Engine Company 7	Headquarters
Fire Capt. David B. LeBrun	Ladder Company 16	Headquarters
Fire Capt. John A. Lockhead	Rescue Company 2	Headquarters
Fire Capt. Edmund G. Maiorana	Engine Company 14	Headquarters

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 28

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 12, 1978

I. RETIREMENT

The following retirement, in accordance with the provisions indicated, will become effective at 0800 hours, May 13, 1978:

Fire Lieut. (Spec. Hazards Inspector)
Francis A. Williams Fire Prevention Div. S58, C32, GL

Fire Lieutenant (Special Hazards Inspector) Williams was appointed to the department February 18, 1948, promoted to Fire Lieutenant September 9, 1970, and appointed to Fire Lieutenant (Special Hazards Inspector) February 19, 1975.

He leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

II. FIRE ALARM BOX ESTABLISHED

The following box will be installed in the near future and the circuit number will be announced when the box is installed. Company Commanders will add it to their respective assingment cards for box 2881:

13 - 2881 Veterans Administration Hospital - Building 7 - 1400 V.F.W. Parkway

III. COMPANY DRILLS

Officers conducting company drills shall use S.O.P. #5 "Raising and Lowering Ground Ladders" as subject matter during the period May 16 to May 31, 1978.

IV. HAZARDOUS BUILDINGS

The buildings located at 76 - 78 Magnolia Street, District 13, are in an unsafe condition for fire fighting due to recent fires. Roofs are partially burned off and could collapse, walls have cracks and are in a weakened condition. These buildings are open to tresspassers. In case of another fire in these buildings, members shall use extreme caution. These buildings have been posted.

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The building located at 6 Newcroft Circle, District Eight, is in a hazardous condition. Large holes in the first floor present a danger to fire fighting operations. In case of fire in this building, members shall use extreme caution. The building has been posted.

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 29

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 17, 1978

I. RETIREMENTS

The following retirements, in accordance with the provisions indicated, will become effective at 0800 hours, June 1, 1978:

Dist. Fire Chief Frank A. Sullivan	District 3	S 58, C32, GL
Fire Lieut. Robert E. Byrne	Engine Company 34	~~S9~~, ~~34~~, C32, G1 S7, 94

District Fire Chief Sullivan was appointed to the department March 5, 1952. He was promoted to Fire Lieutenant June 29, 1960, promoted to Fire Captain October 25, 1967 and District Fire Chief July 28, 1971. Fire Lieutenant Byrne was appointed January 18, 1961 and promoted to Fire Lieutenant October 17, 1973.

Both of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. ASSIGNMENT OF F.F.O.P.'S

The following have been appointed Fire Fighters on Probation at 0800 hours, May 17, 1978:

Joseph M. Regan	Ladder Co. 2
Robert F. O'Neil	Engine Co. 28
John A. King, Jr.	Engine Co. 40
Hilario Rexach	Ladder Co. 6
Robert M. Ryan	Ladder Co. 22
Roger D. Phillips	Engine Co. 11
Paul D. Condon	Engine Co. 51
Eugene Anderson	Ladder Co. 26
Francis W. Kelly	Engine Co. 9
David E. Springer	Engine Co. 32
Robert P. Breen	Engine Co. 11
Charles R. Carter	Ladder Co. 13
Edward D. Chase	Ladder Co. 11
Cashus Johnson	Ladder Co. 1
Kevin J. Curley	Engine Co. 5
Alex Lindsay	Engine Co. 56
Daniel M. Keeler	Ladder Co. 22
George Walcott	Engine Co. 48
Daniel L. Shea, III	Engine Co. 29
Joel C. Duke	Engine Co. 20
Nelson S. Bellissimo	Ladder Co. 21
Munroe Johnson	Engine Co. 42
Ralph C. Pirelli	Engine Co. 29
Robert L. Smith	Engine Co. 4
Daniel P. McCarthy	Engine Co. 34
Robert J. Watson	Ladder Co. 21
David R. Mager, III	Engine Co. 34
Larry Trammell	Engine Co. 51
Ronald J. Savicke	Engine Co. 56
Hipolito Gonzalez	Engine Co. 30
James D. Bruynell	Ladder Co. 11

These members will be detailed to the Training and Research Division for a period of twelve weeks, and they will report to their assigned companies for a day tour of duty each Saturday, during their drill school period starting June 10, 1978.

III. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective at 0800 hours, May 24, 1978:

	FROM	TO
Fire Lieut. Andrew K. Kennedy	Ladder Co. 30	Engine Co. 28
Fire Lieut. Thomas C. Reardon	Engine Co. 29	Ladder Co. 30
F.F. Joseph V. Morgan	Ladder Co. 13	Ladder Co. 31
F.F. John J. Burke	Ladder Co. 31	Ladder Co. 13
F.F. Robert B. MacKinnon	Engine Co. 20	Engine Co. 3
F.F. Daniel T. McHugh	Engine Co. 20	Engine Co. 7
F.F. James E. Stewart	Engine Co. 5	Rescue Co. 1
F.F. Elgin F. Lynds	Personnel (Medical)	Ladder Co. 5
F.F. Donald H. Harrington	Headquarters	Ladder Co. 16
F.F. Charles M. Parillo	Engine Co. 53	Ladder Co. 16

The following members will be transferred to Personnel Division (Medical) at 0800 hours, May 24, 1978:

Fire Lieut. Richard J. Brown	Engine Co. 28
F.F. John F. White	Engine Co. 45

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 31

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 22, 1978

I. ANNUAL AWARDS LUNCHEON

The Annual Awards Luncheon of the Boston Fire Department will be held Friday, May 26, 1978 at Florian Hall.

PROGRAM

1330 hours

National Anthem sung by Fire Lieut. Frank Bonner, Retired
Invocation, B.F.D. Chaplain Msgr. James J. Keating
Luncheon
Greetings by President Robert E. Dillon,
Boston Firemen's Relief Fund
Master of Ceromonies - F.F. Joseph Hardiman, Retired
Presentation of "Distinguished Service Award" by
Fire Commissioner George H. Paul
Presentation of "Roll of Merit Awards" by
Fire Commissioner George H. Paul
Presentation of "Patrick J. Kennedy Medal" by
Fire Commissioner George H. Paul
Presentation of "Walter Scott Medal" by
Fire Commissioner George H. Paul
Presentation of "John E. Fitzgerald Medal for Most
Meritorious Act of 1977" by
Fire Commissioner George H. Paul

Presentation of Boston Fire Department "Medal of Valor"
awarded posthumously by
Fire Commissioner George H. Paul
Presentation of Portrait of the late Fire Fighter
Hugh O'Brien, Ladder Company 5

Ceremony for Departed Members of the Boston Fire Department by B.F.D. Chaplain
Rev. John E. Barclay

Medal winners and Roll of Merit recipients will report to President Dillon at 1000 hours, May 26th at Florian Hall. These members will be excused from duty from 0800, May 26th to 0800, May 27th.

The above members will wear regulation uniform, sack coat and white gloves.

The Relief Fund Office will be closed all day May 26th.

II. ANNUAL BALL

The 99th Annual Ball of the Boston Fire Department will be held Saturday, 2000 hours, May 27, 1978 at the Boston Teachers Union Hall, located at the Bayside Mall, Dorchester.

The Fire Commissioner and the Officers of the Relief Fund have given considerable time and thought in preparing a program that will be interesting and enjoyable to all. Insofar as the proceeds from this affair are used for the assistance of department members, past and present, the Fire Commissioner urgently requests all off-duty members to attend this function. It is your organization. Help support it. ADMISSION WILL BE BY TICKET ONLY.

PROGRAM

2000 hours	Dancing
2030 hours	Grand March - National Anthem
2045 hours	Drawing - Followed by dancing until Midnight

The Floor Marshal will be Fire Fighter Carl F. Cuqua, Ladder Company 16. The Grand March will be conducted by the Rifle Honor Guard under the direction of Drillmaster - Fire Fighter Carl F. Cuqua. All Chief Officers and guests are encouraged to participate in the Grand March.

The Rifle Honor Guard will be excused at 1800 hours, May 27th to 0800 hours, May 28th, to participate in the Annual Ball.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 32

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 24, 1978

BOARD OF MERIT

The Board of Merit, consisting of the Chief of Department and the Deputy Fire Chiefs, has considered all meritorious acts referred to it for the year, 1977. After careful consideration and study, the Board submitted the following recommendations which are hereby approved by the Fire Commissioner.

1. Cases of Fire Fighter Thomas Whalen - Fire Prevention Division
   Fire Fighter John J. Harrison - Engine Company 21
   Fire Fighter Thomas F. Myers - Engine Company 21

At 1440 hours, January 7, 1977, Engine Company 21 responded to Box 1823 for a fire at 34 Edison Green Street, Dorchester. On arrival heavy fire was showing on the second floor, and they were informed children were trapped in the attic.

Fire Fighter Thomas Whalen of the Arson Squad was at the scene, and he went to the third floor by the front stairs and found one of the boys in the hallway whom he removed to the street.

Fire Fighters John J. Harrison and Thomas F. Myers of Engine Company 21 entered the building from the rear and were carrying a line up the rear stairs when they learned about the children. They had to back down the stairs because of the heavy smoke and rapidly spreading fire. They then went to the front of the house to the third floor and started the search. Fire Fighter Harrison removed his air mask to listen for cries. He heard a moan, traced it, and found a child whom he passed to Fire Fighter Myers. He continued into another room and found a second child. They carried the unconscious children to the street.

These rescues were performed without masks and under very difficult conditions caused by limited fire fighting operations due to the severe weather and traffic conditions.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend these members in General Orders 5 of 1977 for these rescues which were performed under great personal risk.

The Board recommends that the names of

Fire Fighter Thomas Whalen - Fire Prevention
Fire Fighter John J. Harrison - Engine Co. 21
Fire Fighter Thomas F. Myers - Engine Co. 21

be placed on the Roll of Merit.

2. Case of Fire Fighter Paul R. Moore - Ladder Company 30

Ladder Company 30 responded to Box 2386 for a fire at 154 Heath St., Roxbury on February 17, 1977. Upon arrival heavy smoke was showing from the second floor, and they were informed a child was trapped in the building. Lines operating in the building could not penetrate the room where the child was trapped.

Fire Fighter Paul R. Moore of Ladder Company 30 went over a ladder, entered the building, searched the room on his hands and knees, and finally located the child whom he passed through a window to a fire fighter who removed the child to the street. He returned for further search, and finding no one, he returned to the ladder, and while descending the ladder the room fully ignited.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend him in General Orders 13 of 1977 for this rescue was performed at extreme personal risk.

The Board recommends that the name of Fire Fighter Paul R. Moore of Ladder Company 30 be placed on the Roll of Merit.

3. Case of Fire Fighter James W. Ranahan - Ladder Company 14

Ladder Company 14 responded to Box 5282 for a fire at 12 - 14 Portsmouth Street, Brighton at 0400 hours, February 14, 1977. Upon arriving they were notified two people were at a window on the third floor and ready to jump.

Ladder Company 14 immediately raised a ladder to the window. Fire Fighters James W. Ranahan and Leo G. Bowen of Ladder Company 14 quickly climbed the ladder and assisted both persons to safety. They were then told another person was in the building.

Fire Fighter Ranahan entered the window despite the heavy smoke and fire, and without breathing equipment he conducted an exhausting search. He located an unconscious man and managed to carry him to the window where other fire fighters removed him to safety.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend him in General Orders 13 of 1977 for this rescue made under such hazardous conditions and required so much effort that he collapsed at the window and was taken to the hospital.

The Board recommends that Fire Fighter James W. Ranahan of Ladder Company 14 be awarded the Patrick J. Kennedy Medal.

4. Case of Fire Fighter Peter F. Nee - Ladder Company 20

District 6 arrived at Box 7217 on February 28, 1977 to find the first and second floors of a three - family, duplex house at 157 - 159 West Sixth Street, South Boston fully involved in fire. They were informed a woman and child were trapped on the second floor.

Fire Fighter Peter F. Nee of Ladder Company 20 (detailed to District 6) immediately entered the building to look for them. He found the woman screeching and disoriented from the heat and smoke. As he was about to remove her to safety she told him where the child was. Taking the woman with him to prevent losing her, he found the child and attempted to evacuate via the rear fire escape but it was blocked by fire. He retraced his way back through the intense heat and smoke and brought them to safety.

This rescue was performed under extremely hazardous conditions and without the aid of breathing apparatus, and before the arrival of apparatus.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend him in General Orders 15 of 1977 for this rescue which saved the mother and child. His swift and efficient performance reflected great credit on the department.

The Board recommends that the name of Fire Fighter Peter F. Nee of Ladder Company 20 be placed on the Roll of Merit.

5. Case of Fire Fighter Robert T. Kilduff - Ladder Company 29

Ladder Company 29 responded to Box 3364 on March 26, 1977 for a fire at 124 Glenway Street, Dorchester. On arrival heavy smoke was issuing from the third floor.

Fire Fighter Robert T. Kilduff of Ladder Company 29 made his way up the stairs to the third floor through the heat, heavy smoke and toxic gases before fire fighting operations had begun. He crawled through a long hallway and found an unconscious man in an adjoining room and dragged him back to the front of the building where he was removed to the outside where his breathing was restored and he was removed to the hospital.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to highly commend him in General Orders 17, 1977 which was under adverse conditions and at extreme personal risk. He undoubtedly saved the man's life.

The Board recommends that the name of Fire Fighter Robert T. Kilduff of Ladder Company 29 be placed on the Roll of Merit.

6. Case of Fire Fighter Daniel C. Patterson - Engine Company 11

On May 21, 1977 at 2041 hours, Fire Fighter Daniel C. Patterson of Engine Company 11, while driving home on the Southeast Expressway, came upon the scene of a serious motor vehicle accident.

He stopped and discovered four people trapped inside an overturned vehicle which was teetering at the edge of a 30 foot drop off the side of the X-way. He entered the overturned car and removed three of the victims whom he passed to an off-duty police officer. With the arrival of Engine 43, he assisted in removing one victim who was pinned inside.

The Fire Commissioner highly commended him in General Orders 29 of 1977 for this rescue which was made at great personal risk, while off duty, before the arrival of apparatus, in the high speed lane of the Expressway and with the danger of the vehicle falling.

The Board of Merit recommends that the name of Fire Fighter Daniel C. Patterson of Engine Company 11 be placed on the Roll of Merit.

7. Case of Fire Fighter James B. Stack, Engine Company 20

At 1700 hours, May 25, 1977, Engine Company 20 responded to the rear of 775 Gallivan Blvd. and were notified a boy had fallen into the water. They were shown the approximate location where the victim went under.

Fire Fighter James B. Stack of Engine Company 20 began an immediate search for the boy. He dove repeatedly beneath the surface of the muddy water, unmindful of the hazards of branches, debris, limited vision and various depths. Through his persistent efforts, the boy's body was found.

The Fire Commissioner highly commended him in General Orders 29, 1977 for this recovery which was made at great personal risk. Although he did not save the boy, he saved the family many hours of anguish and false hope.

The Board recommends that the name of Fire Fighter James B. Stack of Engine Company 20 be placed on the Roll of Merit.

8. Case of Fire Fighter Robert F. Mackey - Rescue Company 1

On June 17, 1977, the department responded to 115 Chauncy Street, Boston on report of a person threatening to jump. On arrival a woman was observed on the fourth floor ledge, fifty feet above the ground. A life net was set up immediately and members of the Rescue Company went to her assistance.

Fire Fighter Robert F. Mackey of Rescue Company 1 entered the room adjacent to the one where the woman was standing, as her door was locked. He climbed onto a narrow ledge only twelve inches wide, observed she had covered her face with her hands and rapidly made his way twenty five feet to a position where he could place his arms around her waist and carried her another fifteen feet to an open window where other members assisted them into the room.

The Fire Commissioner highly commended him in General Orders 33, 1977 for this outstanding rescue which was made at great personal risk.

The Board recommends that Fire Fighter Robert F. Mackey of Rescue Co. 1 be awarded the Walter Scott Medal for Valor.

9. Case of Fire Fighter Paul H. King - Engine Company 12

The department responded to an alarm at 1641 hours, June 26, 1977 to the Garvey Playground, Dorchester for a person struck by lightning. On arrival Fire Fighter Paul H. King, E.M.T. of Engine Company 12 was applying CPR to the victim, aided by a young lady. Fire Fighter James B. Stack, E.M.T. of Engine Company 20 relieved her until Ladder 27 started the Flynn Ventilator. A-19 arrived and both fire fighters accompanied the victim applying CPR until relieved by personnel of the Carney Hospital.

Fire Fighter King acted very promptly and with professional skill to keep the victim alive. He was off duty at the time and put to good use the training he received as an Emergency Medical Technician.

The Commissioner highly commended him in General Orders 34, 1977 for saving the man's life.

The Board recommends that Fire Fighter Paul H. King of Engine Company 12 be awarded the Distinguished Service Award.

10. Case of Fire Lieutenant James J. Famolare - Engine Company 22
Fire Fighter John D. Sheehan Engine Company 26
Acting Fire Lieut. Dennis G. Callanan - Engine Company 37
Fire Fighter Patrick A. Munroe - Engine Company 22
Fire Fighter Robert F. Bowen - Aerial Tower 1

The department responded to Box 1662 for a fire at 562 Massachusetts Avenue, Boston on June 22, 1977 at 1733 hours. On arrival fire was showing in the basement, accompanied by heavy smoke, and fire involved the front room and hall.

While fire fighting operations were being put into effect, Fire Lieutenant James J. Famolare of Engine Company 22 and Fire Fighter John D. Sheehan of Engine Company 26 heard a moan from an interior room and quickly sought out the source of the moan. They found an unconscious woman on the bedroom floor and carried her outside. They shouted to other members that another person could be in the rear.

Acting Fire Lieutenant Dennis G. Callanan of Engine Company 37 (detailed to Ladder Company 13), Fire Fighter Patrick A. Munroe of Engine Company 22 and Fire Fighter Robert F. Bowen of Aerial Tower 1 searched a rear room and found an unconscious man and brought him to the street where both victims were removed to the Boston City Hospital.

The Fire Commissioner highly commended these five members for rescuing the victims at great personal risk.

The Board recommends that the names of Fire Lieutenant James J. Famolare Engine Company 22, Fire Fighter John D. Sheehan, Engine Company 26, Acting Fire Lieutenant Dennis G. Callanan, Engine Company 37, Fire Fighter Patrick A. Munroe, Engine Company 22, Fire Fighter Robert F. Bowen, Aerial Tower 1 be placed on the Roll of Merit.

11. Case of Fire Lieutenant William W. Hayhurst, Headquarters

At 2312 hours, June 8, 1977, Box 2448 was struck for a fire at 17 Dixwell Street, Roxbury. Upon arrival of Ladder Company 30, fire was issuing from the third floor front, and heavy smoke and intense heat had filled the apartment. Tenants were reported to be trapped inside. Ascending to the third floor level with a member of his command, Lieutenant Hayhurst ordered the man to remain at the head of the stairs to maintain watch until arrival of other department members while he searched the apartment.

Lieutenant Hayhurst passed fire in his search and found a female tenant overcome by smoke on the floor at the end of the corridor. He removed her to the landing and there received help in taking her to the street where she was transported to the hospital.

The Fire Commissioner highly commended him in General Orders 35 of 1977 for this rescue which was effected before ventilation had been accomplished, at great effort and at great personal risk.

The Board recommends that the name of Fire Lieutenant William W. Hayhurst of Headquarters be placed on the Roll of Merit.

12. Case of Fire Fighter Robert T. Gorman, Engine Company 29

At 0505 hours, December 2, 1977, Box 5332 (4 alarms), District 11, Ladder Company 11 and Engine Company 29 had been dispatched to investigate a report of an odor of gas in the vicinity of Mt. Hood Road and Commonwealth Avenue.

Upon arrival, it was discovered that 592 gallons of gasoline had been discharged from a filling station pump and had run into the sewer system. Shortly after operations had commenced to flush the system and to continue the investigation in adjacent buildings, a series of explosions occurred down the street from the filling station. One of the explosions was in the basement of the building located at 1706 Commonwealth Avenue, where some of the basement windows had been blown out and heavy smoke was issuing from the windows. Occupants who had vacated the other apartments informed the District Chief that a woman was trapped in the basement.

Fire Fighter (Aide to the District Fire Chief) Robert T. Gorman of Engine Company 29, without hesitation or regard for his own safety, entered the basement area. Tracing her screams, Fire Fighter Gorman was successful in locating the woman. An unknown civilian outside the building assisted him in removing her from the basement apartment through the rear window. Shortly after he climbed out the window, the entire basement erupted into fire.

This rescue was made under extremely dangerous conditions due to the possibility of more explosions. Fire Fighter Gorman made a search of the basement at extreme personal risk in a building heavily charged with smoke and heat before ventilation had been accomplished.

The Fire Commissioner highly commended him in General Orders 62, 1977 for this rescue.

The Board recommends that Fire Fighter Robert T. Gorman of Engine Company 29 be awarded the John E. Fitzgerald Medal for the Most Meritorious Act.

13. Case of Fire Lieutenant William Ahern - Fire Prevention
Fire Fighter Lawrence P. Kelley - Fire Prevention

At 1300 hours on December 22, 1977, the K4 Arson Inspectors Lieutenant William P. Ahern and Inspector Lawrence P. Kelley were on arson patrol in the Jackson Square area of Roxbury. While proceeding on Centre Street towards Columbus Avenue, they observed a person running out from between two buildings and completely involved in fire. These two men immediately chased the victim with the car and simultaneously called in a still alarm to the fire alarm office and also for an ambulance. They both jumped out of the car and with their outer garments wrapped the victim and tried to get him to the ground. This was done with great difficulty due to the fact that the victim had been sprayed with gasoline and kept reigniting. They finally managed to put out the flames and due to the seriousness of the burns to the victim, they immediately placed him in the Arson Alert Car and drove him to the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital.

Lieutenant Ahern and Inspector Kelley both received first degree burns on their hands, arms and face plus the fact that their coats were badly burned in the extinguishing process. The victim was transferred to the Shrine Burn Center and has third degree burns covering 60% of his body. The fast action of these two men and their utter disregard for their own safety resulted in the saving of this victim's life.

The Fire Commissioner highly commended these members in General Orders 62, 1977.

The Board recommends that the names of Fire Lieutenant William P. Ahern, Fire Prevention Division and Fire Fighter Lawrence P. Kelley, Fire Prevention Division be placed on the Roll of Merit.

14. Case of District Fire Chief John P. Vahey

For his recording with authenticity and thoroughness, the in-depth details of The Great Boston Fire of 1872, The Cocoanut Grove Fire of 1942, The Hotel Vendome Fire of 1972, and the 300th Anniversary of the Boston Fire Department in 1978, and for his sincere and dedicated efforts to preserve for posterity some of the most important events in the annals of the Boston Fire Department and by so doing reflected great public relations credit upon this Department - therefore, the Distinguished Service Award is hereby awarded to District Fire Chief John P. Vahey of District Eight.

15. Case of Fire Lieutenant Michael J. Bruno, Ladder Company 10

At 0540 hours on December 25, 1977, Ladder Company 10 responded to Box 2538 (working fire) location - South Street and Asticou Road.

Upon arrival, Ladder Company 10 found heavy smoke and fire coming from the first floor of the house on the corner of South Street and Asticou Road. Fire Lieutenant Michael J. Bruno of Ladder Company 10 was informed by occupants that had left the fire building that children were trapped in the bedroom on the first floor, South Street side. The entrance on South Street led directly to the second floor and the entrance on Asticou Road was blocked by fire so entry could not be made. Lieutenant Bruno then had the members of Ladder Company 10 place a baby bangor ladder to the first floor bedroom window. Without hesitation or regard for his own safety, he ascended the ladder into the bedroom. Searching the room in the heavy smoke and heat he located a baby in a crib and removed Edward Huber, one year old by passing the boy out the front window to an unknown person. Lieutenant Bruno then searched the room again and finding no one, he returned to the outside.

The baby, Edward Huber, was taken to the Faulkner Hospital with burns on his body and smoke damage to his lungs, then transferred to the New England Medical Center.

The rescue was made at extreme personal risk to Lieutenant Bruno with no thought of his own safety.

The Fire Commissioner highly commended him in General Orders 8, 1978 for this rescue.

The Board recommends that the name of Fire Lieutenant Michael J. Bruno be placed on the Roll of Merit.

16. Case of Fire Fighter Robert Brady (Retired)

By his tenacious and investigative ability in the investigation of an arson fire at 15 Hilltop Street on October 12, 1974, this case was brought to a successful conclusion by the conviction and incarceration of the perpetrators of this crime. His investigation, in cooperation with the District Attorney's office resulted in the uncovering of the existence of one of the largest burn-for-profit arson rings in the state's history.

This work was done both as an Inspector on the Arson Squad and after his return to a fire company. The greater majority of this work was done in his off-time and even after his retirement from the Boston Fire Department. This achievement reflects great credit on the calaber of men who have been charged with the investigation of fire by this Department. Therefore, The Distinguished Service Award is hereby awarded to Fire Fighter Robert Brady, (Retired).

BY ORDER OF COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 33

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 25, 1978

I. RETIREMENTS

The following retirements, in accordance with the provisions and dates indicated, is hereby announced:

F.F. Robert N. Anderson	Engine Co. 34	S5, C32, GL	0800, 5.18.78
F.Capt. Rizkallah Teebagy	Engine Co. 54	S58, C32, GL	0800, 6.1.78
F.F. John J. Handren	Engine Co. 55	S7, 94, C32, GL	0800, 6.1.78
F.F. Peter Marino	Engine Co. 18	S7, C32, GL	0800, 6.1.78
F.F. John J. Burke	Ladder Co. 13	S5, C32, GL	0800, 6.1.78
Tel. Oper. Catherine Cunniff	Headquarters	S6, C32, GL	1700, 5.31.78
Lineman Gerard J. Fitzpatrick	Fire Alarm Div.	S7, C32, GL	1700, 5.31.78

Fire Fighter Anderson was appointed to the department June 28, 1944. Fire Captain Teebagy was appointed October 16, 1940, promoted to Fire Lieutenant February 5, 1947 and promoted to Fire Captain July 27, 1955. Fire Fighter Handren was appointed August 31, 1955. Fire Fighter Marino was appointed May 17, 1972. Fire Fighter Burke was appointed January 29, 1947. Telephone Operator Cunniff was appointed April 12, 1967. Lineman Fitzpatrick was appointed March 18, 1971.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. CORRECTION - RETIREMENTS - GENERAL ORDERS NO. 29

The following retirement, with the corrected provisions, reads as follows:

F. Lieut. Robert E. Byrne	Engine Co. 34	S7, 94, C32, GL

III. RESIGNATIONS

The following resignations became effective at 0800 hours, May 24, 1978:

Fire Fighter John E. Kervin	Engine Company 29
Fire Fighter Francis L. McLaughlin	Rescue Company 2

The following resignation will become effective at 0800 hours, May 31, 1978:

Fire Fighter William J. Spitz	Training & Research Div.

IV. EMERGENCY BLANKETS

In accordance with a City Council Order, all divisions and district cars have been issued two blankets. The intent of the Council Order is that these blankets be used in time of emergencies to provide comfort to afflicted persons.

Care shall be taken that these blankets are preserved in a sanitary condition and accounted for at all times.

V. STREET CLOSING

Commencing at 0800 hours May 30, 1978, Herald Street between Tremont Street and Paul Place will be closed for approximately two years.

During this period Marginal Road will be two way traffice between Shawmut Avenue and Arlington Street.

VI. LETTERS OF THANKS

May 4, 1978

Dear Commissioner Paul:

"I would like to commend District Chief Paul McNiff and the Fire Fighters under his command for the way that they responded to two fires set by arson at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church on the mornings of February 27th and March 4th, 1978. The fire damage was kept to a minimum due to the prompt and efficient work of Chief McNiff and his men. Chief McNiff also took special pains to help in the subsequent investigations of the arson.

Faithfully,
Signed/(The Rev.)Wm. Dwyer
Vicar"

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May 19, 1978

Commissioner Paul:

"Residents I talked to today following the fire early this morning at 362 Commonwealth Avenue had nothing but the highest praise for Fire Fighters who helped lead them out of the building.

"The outstanding effort of Boston Fire Fighters, in my opinion, averted what might have been a real tragedy considering the type of fire and the number of people in the building. You and your men should be commended.

"It was a job well done.

Sincerely,
Signed/Tom Horgan"
The Boston Globe

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 34

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
MAY 26, 1978

I. RESIGNATION

The following resignation became effective 0800 hours, May 24, 1978:

Fire Fighter Paul D. McLaughlin — Engine Company 4

II. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective at 0800 hours, May 31, 1978:

	FROM	TO
Fire Capt. John J. Foscaldo	Personnel (Medical)	Engine Co. 54
F.F. Robert W. Beals	Ladder Co. 22	Ladder Co. 1
F.F. Michael F. King	Ladder Co. 15	Fire Prevention
F.F. Mitchell J. Sikora	Ladder Co. 25	Engine Co. 54
F.F. Robert Dunderdale	Engine Co. 9	Ladder Co. 13
F.F. Rodney W. Stratton	Personnel (Medical)	Fire Prevention
F.F. Mark Labadie	Engine Co. 7	Engine Co. 49

III. RETIREMENTS

The following retirements in accordance with the provisions of Section 5, Chap. 32, G. L. will become effective 0800 hours, June 1, 1978:

Fire Fighter Walter D. Holden — Ladder Company 5
Fire Fighter Charles R. Alexander — Engine Company 10

Fire Fighter Holden was appointed to the department January 22, 1947. Fire Fighter Alexander was appointed January 29, 1947.

Both of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

IV. VIAL OF LIFE

Currently being organized throughout New England is the Vial of Life Program which is designed to save the lives of the elderly, handicapped and persons living alone.

Individuals enrolled in this program insert vital health information on a form provided and inserted in a small plastic vial which is then strapped under the right hand upper shelf of their refrigerator and it is also suggested that a second Vial of Life be placed in the glove compartment of their car.

The contents of the Vial will supply pertinent information to assist rescuers and give them a headstart in providing the proper assistance.

All members shall acquaint themselves with the program and when applicable or the conditions arise, make sure that a check be made for the existence of a "Vial of Life".

V. COMPANY DRILLS

Officers conducting company drills during the period June 1 to June 15, 1978 shall use as subject matter the Rules and Regulations manual Chapter 18, "General Rules".

If the drill item is completed prior to the end of a training period, officers may hold drills on box and hydrant locations, routes, special equipment, etc.

VI. LETTERS OF THANKS

May 22, 1978

Dear Commissioner Paul:

"I want to commend the action of District Chief Sylvester of Division I, District 4, who efficiently contained a mattress fire which occurred in our hotel today.

"The situation was handled extremely well throughout and avioded panic while there were over 1,000 people in the hotel registered as guests or attending meetings and conferences. This happened during the height of the luncheon period and so much could have resulted from it, but we want to commend the Department for its fast action in eliminating this unfortunate situation.

"Again my warmest congratulations to the Department and for the respect that they showed to our hotel in performing their duties.

Sincerely,
Signed/Roger A. Saunders
President, Park Plaza
Hotel, Towers & Motor Inn"

May 11, 1978

Dear Commissioner Paul:

"I want to take this opportunity to express my personal thanks and appreciation to the fine men of the Boston Fire Department who responded to the recent fire at Linda Mae's Restaurant on Morrissey Boulevard, Dorchester.

"I was not present when the fire broke out, but I am informed by my staff that it was only the swift response to the alarm and the coordinated effort which prevented what could have been much more extensive damage than occurred.

"I want, by way of this letter, to specifically thank:

Deputy Chief John Kilroy
District Chief Thomas Hoban
The FireFighters of Engine Companies 17, 18, 20 & 21
Ladder Companies - A.T. 2, Companies 7, 20 & 23
Rescue Companies 1 & 2

all of whom I personally witnessed when I arrived at the scene.

"In times like these, when we seldom hear good reports of deeds, I believe it is important for us all to recognize the valiant efforts of the Fire Fighters who performed so well in saving property and possibly lives at Linda Mae's.

"I just thought that you would like to know.

Gratefully,
Signed / Robert A. Beineke, President

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 35

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
BOSTON, MAY 31, 1978

I. COMPLETION OF W-4 AND KEYPUNCH FORMS

Included with this week's paychecks are two forms for every employee who receives a paycheck in this department: an I.R.S. W-4 form and a form specially designed for keypunching, with basically the same information. Each employee must complete both forms. This should be done at the time they receive their checks to insure that all employees complete the forms promptly. These forms should be returned to the Payroll Office upon completion.

Treasury Division personnel will check to insure that each employee has completed both forms, using preliminary payrolls as checklists. You should keep a copy of each form for each employee that is on vacation or out sick and instruct them to complete these forms when they return to work. These employees' forms should also be returned to the Treasury Division as soon as they are completed. CETA employees must complete these forms also.

You should be aware that it is very important that these forms be completed quickly and accurately.

II. ASSISTANT CHAPLAIN REV. DANIEL J. MAHONEY

On Friday evening, June 2, 1978, at 1930 hours, our Assistant Chaplain, Rev. Daniel J. Mahoney will be installed as Pastor during a Pontifical Concelebrated Mass at St. Francis de Sales Church, Charlestown. Permission is hereby granted to all department members to wear full uniform. Everyone who is free is urgently requested to attend this function which honors a very dear and devoted friend of the department. Members will assemble by 1915 hours outside the Rectory on Bunker Hill Street. Family members are cordially invited to participate in the installation with you.

III. LETTER OF THANKS

May 27, 1978

Dear Commissioner:

"On May 24 at about 1966 hours, I perforated my car gas tank in front of the Harbor Towers where I reside. As fate would have it, the tank was full. The situation was, of course, fraught with the danger of ignition and the loss of several cars parked next to me.

"We called you for help and two trucks were on location within go-go seconds. My wife and I wish to express our heartfelt appreciation for your prompt response, your sense of duty and the courtesy of your men.

Signed/Carol-Gerry Blanc"

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 36

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
BOSTON JUNE 5, 1978

FIREMEN'S MEMORIAL SUNDAY

The eighty-fifth anniversary of Firemen's Memorial Sunday will be held on Sunday, June 11, 1978. Reverend Msgr. James J. Keating, Boston Fire Department Chaplain will conduct the ceremonies at the Cemetery at 1000 hrs.

Fire Fighter A. Michael Mullane, President, Boston Fire Fighters Local 718 will be Chief Marshal. Thomas J. McGrimley, Chairman, State-Boston Retirement System, will be Orator of the Day.

Trustees of the Charitable Association of the Boston Fire Department who are on duty that day will report to Chief Robert E. Laing at the Morton Street entrance to Forest Hills Cemetery at 0945 hours. Regulation uniform with sack coat or jacket and white gloves shall be worn.

Members on the night tour of duty Saturday, June 10 who are to participate in the services will be excused from roll call, if relieved by members on the oncoming shift prior to eight o'clock. Members of the department who are on the Committee on Arrangements will be granted sufficient time to attend to their customary duties, and those members of the Committee who are scheduled to work Sunday, June 11 will be excused from duty.

The Boston Fire Department Rifle Honor Guard will take part in these services. They shall report to the Morton Street entrance to the Cemetery at 0945 hours. St. William's Band will accompany the marchers.

The Fire Commissioner earnestly urges all off-duty members to make every effort to attend these services. Members of Headquarters, Fire Prevention Division and Training & Research Division will attend.

BY ORDER OF ACTING FIRE COMMISSIONER JOSEPH M. CLASBY

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 37

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
BOSTON, JUNE 9, 1978

I. RETIREMENTS

The following retirements, in accordance with the provisions and dates indicated, are hereby announced:

Working Foreman Electrical Equip.			
Repairman Richard M. Mackey	Fire Alarm Div.	S6, C32, GL	1700, 5. 31. 78
F. F. William J. Spitz	T & R Division	S5, C32, GL	0800, 6. 1. 78
F. F. Francis L. Galizio	Ladder Co. 5	S7, 94, C32, GL	0800, 7. 1. 78
F. F. (Aide to Deputy Chief) John J. Donovan	Ladder Co. 8	S7, 94, C32, GL	0800, 7. 1. 78
F. Captain Wilfred R. Powell	Ladder Co. 22	S7, 94A, C32, GL	0800, 7. 2. 78
Dist. Fire Chief Albert V. Dimino	District 12	S7, C32, GL	0800, 7. 6. 78

Working Foreman Electrical Equipment Repairman Mackey was appointed to the department September 1, 1954 and promoted to Working Foreman Electrical Equipment Repairman March 8, 1972. Fire Fighter Spitz was appointed January 22, 1947. Fire Fighter Galizio was appointed June 20, 1951. Fire Fighter (Aide to Deputy Fire Chief) Donovan was appointed July 6, 1955 and assigned Aide to Deputy Fire Chief July 29, 1964. Fire Captain Powell was appointed February 18, 1948, promoted to Fire Lieutenant June 29, 1960, promoted to Fire Captain April 11, 1973. District Fire Chief Dimino was appointed January 21, 1948, promoted to Fire Lieutenant September 7, 1955, promoted to Fire Captain June 13, 1962 and promoted to District Fire Chief June 1, 1966.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. RESIGNATIONS

The following resignations, in accordance with the dates indicated, are hereby announced:

Clerk Typist Marie Scagnoli	Headquarters Division	1700, 5. 30. 78
F. F. Henry J. Sheridan	Training & Research Division	0800, 6. 7. 78

III. U. S. SAVINGS BONDS

A Savings Bonds Drive is being conducted throughout the remainder of the month of June.

Any member of this department wishing to buy U. S. Savings Bonds should contact Fire Fighter Robert Marlowe of the Community Relations Office at Headquarters no later than June 30, 1978.

IV. HAZARDOUS BUILDINGS

The following buildings are unsafe for fire fighting:

879 Huntington Avenue - 4 story building vacant
540 Parker Street - Vacant school (Ira Allen)

These buildings are posted.

The building located at 227 Blue Hill Avenue (the old Kasanoff building) District 13, is in hazardous condition. There are large holes in the floor, the cellar is full of water and the treads on the stairs are gone. In case of fire, extreme caution should be used. This building is open to trespassers. This building has been posted.

V. COMMENDATIONS

The Fire Commissioner has received a letter from Mr. Dante J. DeMarzio of Hyde Park, in which he commended the actions of Fire Fighter Gerald H. Bower of Engine Company 37 for his actions in applying CPR to an unconscious man who had suffered a severe heart attack on Arlington Street in Hyde Park.

The prompt action of Fire Fighter Bower was instrumental in saving this man's life.

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On Wednesday, May 17, 1978 at 0130 hours, Fire Fighters Robert Cahill, Engine Co. 3 and Francis Hawe, Aerial Tower 1, responded to a call for help from a female being attacked by a man in the vicinity of Engine Co. 3's quarters.

Fire Fighters Cahill and Hawe were able to assist the victim and apprehend the suspect, holding him until the arrival of a police unit.

The Fire Commissioner is pleased to commend Fire Fighters Cahill and Hawe for their swift and decisive action which spared the victim additional harm and for the successful apprehension of the assailant.

VI. ANNIVERSARY MASS

The sixth annual Memorial Mass for the members of the Boston Fire Department who answered their last alarm at the Vendome Fire on June 17, 1972 will be concelebrated by the Department Chaplains on Saturday, June 17, 1978 at 1000 hours in St. Francis de Sales Church, Charlestown. Along with the nine Boston Fire Fighters who died in the line of duty at the Hotel Vendome, all the deceased members of the department are also remembered in this annual Memorial Mass. The Boston Fire Department invites you to participate with them on Saturday, June 17th at the ten o'clock Mass in St. Francis de Sales Church. A light collation will follow in the Bishop Lawton Hall to which all are invited. All members are urged to attend - in full uniform - for which permission is granted. Family members cordially invited. Kindly assemble at 0940 hours at the Rectory - Bunker Hill Street.

BY ORDER OF ACTING FIRE COMMISSIONER JOSEPH M. CLASBY

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 38

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
BOSTON, JUNE 16, 1978

I. RETIREMENT

The following retirement, in accordance with the provisions and date indicated, is hereby announced:

Head Clerk & Secretary Edith J. Finkle Fire Alarm Div. S5, C32, GL 6.16.78

Head Clerk & Secretary Finkle was appointed to the department May 19, 1943, promoted to Secretary Stenographer November 6, 1946, promoted to Principal Clerk & Stenographer April 2, 1952 and promoted to Head Clerk & Secretary October 20, 1954.

Miss Finkle leaves the department with the best wishes of her associates.

II. CHANNEL 2/4 RADIOS ON ENGINE COMPANY PUMPS

The following mentioned Engine Companies have Channel 2/4 radios installed on the Pumps. This channel 2/4 radio on the pump will enable the pump operator to talk with portable radios on the fire ground.

Engine Company 18	Engine Company 33
Engine Company 22	Engine Company 37
Engine Company 24	Engine Company 42
Engine Company 26	Engine Company 52

III. INDEMNIFICATION BOARD

Fire Fighter Daniel W. Moynihan will replace Fire Fighter Edward Fitzgerald of the Fire Prevention Division on the advisory panel of the Idemnification Board.

IV. FIRE ALARM BOX INSTALLED

The following box has been installed and company commanders shall add it to circuit card #23:

13-2881 Veterans Administration Hospital - Building 7 - 1400 V. F. W. Parkway

V. NEW STREETS

Notice has been received from the Public Improvement Commission of the City of Boston of the following new street names:

Mission Park Drive,	Roxbury	from St. Albans Street to Huntington Avenue
New Whitney Street,	Roxbury	from Mission Park Drive northerly, northwesterly and southwesterly

VI. DISCONTINUATION OF STREETS

Notice has been received from the Public Improvement Commission of the City of Boston of the discontinuation of streets:

Reading Street	Roxbury	between Southampton Street & Island Street
Island Street	Roxbury	between Hampden Street & Reading Street
Chadwick Street	Roxbury	from Hampden Street approximately 178 feet southwesterly
Carlow Street	Roxbury	from Chadwick Street to Albany Street
Winthrop Street	Hyde Park	a portion from a point approximately 140 feet east of Hyde Park Avenue approximately 135 feet ely
Tremont Street	Boston Proper	a portion from Arlington Street approximately 165 feet southerly
Chandler Street	Boston Proper	a portion from Tremont Street approximately 130 feet westerly

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 39

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
BOSTON, JUNE 23, 1978

I. RETIREMENTS

The following retirements, in accordance with the provisions and dates indicated, are hereby announced:

Fire Lieut. Peter V. Arnao	Ladder Co. 22	S5, C32, GL	0800, 7.9.78
F.F. Howard F. Clinkscale	Ladder Co. 31	S7, 94A, C32, GL	0800, 7.6.78
F.F. Edward J. MacDonald	T & R Division	S7, 94A, C32, GL	0800, 7.6.78

Fire Lieut. Arnao was appointed to the department January 22, 1947 and promoted to Fire Lieutenant August 15, 1966. Fire Fighter Clinkscale was appointed January 4, 1956. Fire Fighter MacDonald was appointed January 29, 1947.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective at 0800 hours, June 28, 1978:

	FROM	TO
Dist. Fire Chief Joseph A. Russell	Special Service	District 3
F. F. Peter F. Moran	Headquarters	Ladder 6
F. F. William J. Francis	Fire Prev. Div.	T & R Division
F. F. Joseph F. Hourihan	Engine Co. 12	Engine Co. 4
F. F. James J. Mahon	Personnel (Med.)	Fire Prev. Div.
F. F. O. P. George A. Almeida	Personnel (Med.)	Ladder 4

The following members will be transferred to Personnel Division (Medical) at 0800 hours, June 28, 1978:

	FROM
F. F. Joseph W. Crilly	Engine Co. 26
F. F. Richard E. Woods	Engine Co. 50
F. F. Edmund F. Doherty	Marine Unit

III. FIRE ALARM BOXES ESTABLISHED

The following boxes will be installed in the near future and the circuit numbers will be announced when the boxes are installed:

12 - 157	Newbury Junior College - 921 Boylston St.
12 - 2472	Maliotis Cultural Center - 256 Prince Street
13 - 4164	Charlestown High School - Academic Building 240 Medford Street
12 - 2631	Roslindale Health Center - 4208 Washington St.

Company commanders will add the above boxes to their respective assignment cards.

IV. SOUTHAMPTON STREET BRIDGE

Notice has been received from the State Department Public Works that repairs to the Southampton Street Bridge, over Conrail, District 6, will commence Tuesday, June 27, 1978.

The bridge will be closed one roadway at a time and as of June 27 one-way traffic will be from Andrew Square in a westerly direction to Frontage Road.

A detour will be posted for easterly flow of traffic via Service Road to Boston Street.

V. LETTERS OF THANKS

June 20, 1978

Dear Commissioner Paul:

"On Monday evening June 19th, around five thirty P.M., Engine 28 and Ladder 10 responded to a three car accident on Circuit Drive outside the Shattuck Hospital. The sight that I saw as a result of the accident was one of horror and sadness, to see people so badly hurt and also one who died because of this crash.

"The one thing that kept me together at the scene was to see the officers and men of Engine 28 and Ladder 10 working as professionals and human beings to care for them and remove them from their trapped cars with care and compassion, with no time lost to transport them to area hospitals.

"I know that your men and everyone in your department risk their lives twenty four hours a day, year round, whatever may be the case.

"I cannot help but write to you to tell you what a blessing to know that you have such dedicated men in your department.

"I want them to know that my prayers go with them always and this I shall always remember for a lifetime.

Sincerely,
Signed / Charles W. Sturgeon
Jamaica Plain, Ma."

June 16, 1978

Dear Commissioner Paul:

"Now that things have settled down here at the Lenox, I wanted to take this opportunity on behalf of Mr. Roger Saunders, President of the Lenox Hotel as well as the entire staff to express our thanks to the Firemen who did such a fine job putting out the electrical fire in our basement.

"The problem was serious enough to cause us to close down for approximately 48 hours. Your men are to be commended for the manner in which they handled this very serious and dangerous situation. They responded quickly and had our guests evacuated swiftly, safely and without causing great alarm.

Sincerely,
Signed / Anthony N. Gaeta
Vice President & General Mgr."

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

GENERAL ORDERS
NO. 40

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT
BOSTON, JUNE 30, 1978

I. RETIREMENTS

The following retirements, in accordance with the provisions and dates indicated, are hereby announced:

F.F. Raymond B. Morehouse	Hdqtrs. Div.	S5, C32, GL	0800, 7.11.78
F.F. Leo A. Ryan	Hdqtrs. Div.	S5, C32, GL	0800, 7.6.78
F.F. Joseph L. Benson	Eng. Co. 51	S7, 94A, C32, GL	0800, 7.7.78

Fire Fighter Morehouse was appointed to the department January 22, 1947. Fire Fighter Ryan was appointed June 18, 1947. Fire Fighter Benson was appointed March 15, 1950.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. COMPANY DRILLS

Officers conducting company drills shall use the "Emergency Action Guide for Selected Hazardous Materials" as subject matter for the drill period July 1 to July 15, 1978.

The Emergency Action Guidebook, three pamphlets on hazardous materials (1. Definitions, 2. Warning Placards, 3. Warning Labels) and two pamphlets on driving safety will be distributed with this order.

Company commanders shall see that these pamphlets and booklets kept in the company library for members information and use.

III. FIRE ALARM BOX INSTALLED

The following box has been installed and company commanders shall add it to Circuit card #91:

12 - 2631 Roslindale Health Center - 4208 Washington St.

IV. LETTER OF THANKS

June 23, 1978

Dear Commissioner:

"I would like to thank and commend the members of your department for the quick action and professionalism which they displayed recently in responding to a fire in my home. Their exemplary efforts succeeded in halting a very dangerous situation.

"I realize that the men of the Boston Fire Department deal with such hazardous circumstances on a daily basis and am grateful for their dedication and consistent performance.

"Again, thank you for the swift response which I received.

Sincerely,
Signed / Kevin H. White
Mayor"

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER GEORGE H. PAUL

PREFIRE PLANNING SCHEDULE

1978

SITE "C"

WEEK OF JULY 10 TO JULY 14

DIST. I	DIST. 5	DIST. 12
SHORE PLAZA EAST BORDER STREET BOX 12-6177	DWELLINGS 28-30-36 GURNEY ST. BOX 2366	BOS. STATE HOSP. EAST GROUP MORTON STREET BOXES 12-364 to 19-364
A.M. E.5, 40 --- L.2	E.14, 37 ------ L.30	E.16, 53 -------- L.29
P.M. E.9, M.U. - L.21	E.42 ---------- L.26	E.52, R.2 ------ L.6

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WEEK OF JULY 17 TO JULY 21

DIST. 2	DIST. 6	DIST. 9
FORMER NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY 380 BUNKER HILL ST. BOX 4178	BOSTON MARINE INDUSTRIAL PARK BOXES 7511 TO 7544	MUNICIPAL BUILDING 20 SOUTH STREET BOX 2463
A.M. E.32, 50 ------ L.1	E.2, 39 ------ L. 18	E.14, 28 --------- L. 30
P.M. E.36 --------- L.9	E.1, M.U. --- L. 19	E.42 ---------- L. 10

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WEEK OF JULY 24 TO JULY 28

DIST. 4	DIST. 7	DIST. 11
HANCOCK TOWER BUILDING 200 CLARENDON ST. BOX 13-1547	ST. PETERS SCHOOL BOWDOIN STREET BOX 1892	TAFT SCHOOL 706 CAMBRIDGE ST. BOX 5185
A.M. E.7, 33 ------- L.17	E.21, 24 -------L. 7	E.41, 51 --------- L. 11
P.M. E.22, R.1 ----- L.15	E.17 ---------- L. 23	E.29 ---------- L. 14

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WEEK OF JULY 31 TO AUG. 4

DIST. 3	DIST. 8	DIST. 10
RIVER HOUSE 145 PINCKNEY ST. BOX 1381	MATTAPAN CHRONIC HOSP. 249 RIVER ST. BOX 13-3585	SEVERN MILLS 1608 RIVER STREET BOX 3832
A.M. E.4, 26 -------L.17	E. 18, 52 ------ L.6	E. 49, 55 -------- L.28
P.M. E.10, R.1 ---- L.24	E. 16, R.2 ---- L.29	E. 48 ---------- L. 5