the population has increased and building operations have extended congestion in several directions to the very city limits. What were a few years ago open lots, requiring little police attention, are today thickly settled residential sections requiring a great deal of police protection. Besides this there is, as hereinbefore referred to, the need of more men in the regulation of vehicular traffic. To fill, as far as possible, the demands of traffic regulation, patrolmen have been withdrawn from patrol post duty which, of course, means a reduction in the measure of protection outside the busy traffic area. Neither is adequately taken care of but the Board feels that if the number of patrolmen could be enlarged by the addition of fifty men, proper policing of the city may be very fairly provided. It, therefore, respectfully recommends this increase of the Force.

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