

at 4:05 a.m., and then go to their respective homes. By referring to the table attached you will observe that several posts are unprotected for several minutes.

As to the Central District, at present there are no Division B. officers who call in from patrol boxes and go to their homes. They all march to the station-house.

The Western District is the same as the Central District.

Captain Santry, Northwestern District, states that Division B. officers who work outlying posts call in from the box at 4 a.m. and then go to their respective homes. By referring to the attached table you will observe that several posts are unprotected for various long periods.

In the Southern District, at the present time, no Division B. officers call in from boxes and then go to their respective homes - they all march to the station-house.

Captain McGee, Southwestern District, states that Division B. officers, who work the outlying districts, meet the Division C. sergeant at Barwick street, where he inspects them, receives reports and then orders them to their respective homes.

At the hour of 4 a.m. it is very quiet and seldom that calls are made for the patrol automobile. I would therefore, respectfully recommend that the police automobiles be utilized each morning for the purpose of conveying Division C. officers to outlying posts, and to bring Division B. officers (working outlying posts) to their respective stations for inspection. This will abolish the present custom of calling in from boxes and then going to their respective homes, and on the other hand it will be somewhat of a relief for these officers, who, after their night's work are no doubt tired and exhausted; then again, it will tend to keep them out of trouble - for instance, taking chances of drinking intoxicating liquors, as they are aware of the fact that they must report for inspection at their respective station-houses.

The automobiles can do the work quickly - as an illustration, the automobiles can leave their respective stations at 3:50 a.m., leave Division C. officers on their posts not later than 4 a.m., and have the Division B. officers at their respective stations not later than 4:15 a.m. By this arrangement much improvement can be made in the police work of the