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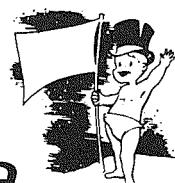
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Public Meetings and English Courts

A Historical Note

PART 2 by Vincent A. De Gaetano LL.D., Dip. CRIM. (CANTAB.)

But several *obiter dicta* confirm the non-existence of the right of public meeting in any public place (i.e., on any space dedicated as a public highway), a point which had been established some five months earlier in *Graham and Burns*. Wills, J. who delivered the judgement of the court, observed:

A great deal was said about the right of public meeting, unnecessarily, inasmuch as it is a right which has long passed out of the region of discussion or doubt. As to the suggested right of holding public meetings in Trafalgar Square, which is, in other words, a suggestion on the part of as many of Her Majesty's subjects as may be so disposed to occupy Trafalgar Square whenever and so often as they may wish for a public meeting, or possibly for more than one public meeting, to be held by persons of conflicting views and sympathies (for the right, if it exists, must be common to every member of the public) ... if the right is to be made out, it must be established by materials and considerations very different from any that were laid before us... (Mr. Lewis alleged that this right) rested on "dedication". It is however, a species of dedication at present unknown to the law, and of which there is no trace in our law books. The only "dedication" in the legal sense that we are aware of is that of a public right of passage of which the legal description is - "a right for all Her Majesty's subjects at all seasons of the year freely and at their will to pass and repass without let or hindrance". A claim on the part of persons so minded to assemble in any numbers and so far so long a time as they please to remain assembled, to the detriment of others having equal rights upon a highway, is in its nature irreconcilable with the right of free passage, and there is, so far as we have been able to ascertain, no authority whatever in favour of it. It was urged that the right of public meeting and the right of occupying any unoccupied land or highway that might seem

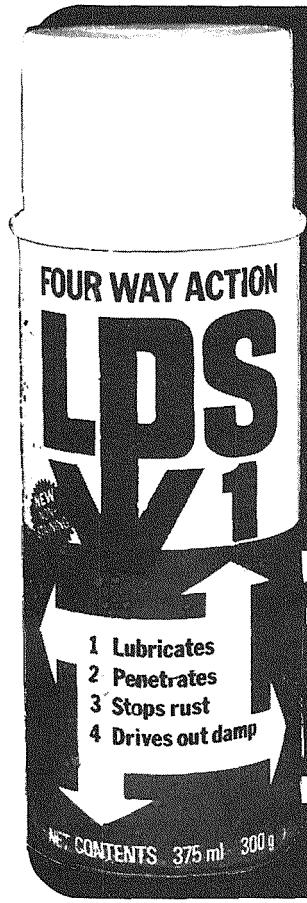
appropriate to those of Her Majesty's subjects who wish to meet there were if not synonymous, at least correlative. We fail to appreciate the argument. ... Things are done every day and in every part of the Kingdom without let or hindrance which there is not and cannot be a legal right to do, and which not unfrequently are submitted to with good grace because they are, in their nature, incapable, by whatever amount of user, of growing into a right. ⁽¹⁷⁾

It is, of course, important to bear in mind that what the aforementioned two judgements were denying was not the "right" of the public to meet anywhere, but their "right" to "assemble in any numbers and for so long a time as they please to remain assembled" in a public thoroughfare or a place of public resort, in effect, therefore, the right to meet or assemble on any space dedicated as a public highway. The issue was perhaps slightly confused by the indiscriminate use of "public thoroughfare", "place of public resort", "public place" and "highway". For a place of public resort and a public place is not necessarily a public thoroughfare or a highway. A private garden opened by its owner at certain times of the day for the enjoyment of the general public is, in the ordinary sense of the word, a place of public resort, and yet it is obvious that, even apart from these two judgements, there would be no right of public meeting in such garden, other than perhaps a right arising *ex contractu*. Similarly, the phrase "public place" is ambiguous, and in law means different things for different purposes. Perhaps the widest definition of a public place is found in S.9 of the Public Order Act, 1936 ⁽¹⁸⁾. Other Acts have their own definitions of a public place, some of them "exhaustive" definitions, as the abovementioned S.9, others not, e.g. S.91 ⁽¹⁹⁾ of the Criminal Justice Act, 1967, which states what shall be included in the definition of a public place for the purpose of the offence of being drunk and

disorderly in a public place, and S.224 of the Public Health Act, 1936, which provides that for the purposes of any enactment ⁽²⁰⁾ relating to offences against decency, baths, washhouses, swimming baths or bathing places under the management of a local authority shall be deemed public and open spaces. Under various other Acts places ranging from a hackney carriage in the street, to a private house in which an auction sale is in progress and a parking enclosure at the rear of an inn, have been held to be public places ⁽²¹⁾. Similar observations may be made as regards the notion of "public place" for the purpose of a number of common law offences. Long before 1888 it had been established that, for the purpose of indecent exposure ⁽²²⁾ the roof of a private house visible from the back windows of several houses was a "public place" ⁽²³⁾; and in *R v. Wellard* ⁽²⁴⁾ it was held that a place out of sight of the public footway where people had no legal right to go, but did habitually go without interference, was also a public place for the purpose of this crime. On the other hand, "public place" for the purpose of an affray seems to have meant "a public street or highway" ⁽²⁵⁾.

Graham and Burns and *Ex parte Lewis* were by no means the first two cases where the right of public meeting or assembly was argued in court, although they appear to be the first cases where the right of public meeting in a public thoroughfare was *expressis verbis*, even if *obiter*, denied. The year 1873 saw the case of *Bailey v. Williamson* ⁽²⁶⁾, 1880 the 1880 the case of *De Morgan v. Metropolitan Board of Works* ⁽²⁷⁾ and in 1886 from the small Staffordshire town of Sedgley, near Wolverhampton, the case of *Homer v. Cadman* ⁽²⁸⁾. All three deserve a brief comment.

Bailey v. Williamson arose out of a prosecution for having delivered an address in Hyde Park contrary to the rules made pursuant to 35 & 36 Vict. c. 15 (Parks Regulation Act, 1872).



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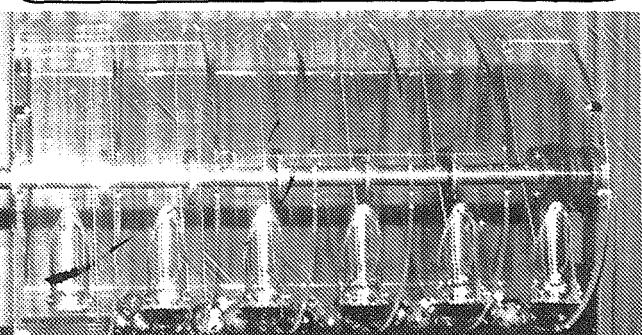


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Regulation 8 contained in the Schedule to that Act, provided that no person was to deliver, or invite any person to deliver, any public address in the park except in accordance with the rules of the park. Rule 11 stated that "No public address may be delivered except within forty yards of the notice-board on which this rule is inscribed". On the other hand, S.11 of the Act also provided that "Nothing in this Act shall authorise any interference with any rights of way or any right whatever to which any person may be by law entitled" (28). Appellant contended, *inter alia*, that the public were entitled to the use of the parks as of right for the purpose of passing over them, and for the purpose of delivering addresses, and that therefore the rule for the violation of which he was summoned before the magistrate's court (Rule 11) amounted to an "interference" as envisaged by S.11, and was null and void. Cockburn, C.J. refused to entertain this argument. After pointing out that the parks to which the Act referred were the property of the Crown and that "whatever enjoyment the public have been allowed to have of these parks and royal possessions ... has been an enjoyment which the public have had by the gracious concessions ... of the Crown" (29), he went on:

It is clear that the legislature in this very Act of Parliament proceeded upon that (i.e., the aforementioned) assumption, because – whilst S.11, I will not say reserves all the rights, but excludes the operation of the statute in respect of any rights to which the public may be entitled by law, such as a right of way, – the Act deals with the making of addresses in the park as a matter within the scope of the Act itself, which it would not be if it were a right to which the public were by law entitled, as it would then fall under the exception in S.11. (30)

What Chief Justice Cockburn seems to be saying is that since the Act itself deals with the making of addresses in the park, it is obvious that no right to deliver addresses is known to the law, as otherwise the legislature would not have presumed to regulate or "interfere" with it (31).

Although the facts in issue con-

stituted what, in the ordinary meaning of the words, would be called a public meeting – several hundreds of persons having assembled in Hyde Park on a certain day in November – the breach of Rule 11 did not consist in the mere assembling of such a crowd, but in the fact that, as he addressed the crowd, appellant stood at a distance of 106 yards from the notice-board. The arguments of the court were concerned with Rule 11 – the delivery of public addresses – and the appellant's contention was that

there was a right to deliver public addresses (32), which is a different thing from holding a public meeting, which may or may not be addressed by one or more people.

Therefore, it is not strictly correct to maintain that *Bailey v. Williamson* is authority (much less conclusive authority) for the proposition that there is no right in the public to hold meetings in the royal parks or otherwise assemble in them, as the précis at the head of the report in L.R. 8 Q.B. suggests and as has commonly been assumed (33).

Cox C.C. 388.

(23) (1884) 14 Q.B.D. 63.

(24) Archbold's *Pleading and Evidence*, 1867, p.789; also *R. v. Hunt and Others* (1845) 1 Cox C.C. 177. The House of Lords has since ruled that it is not a necessary ingredient of the offence of affray that it should be committed in a public place, *Button v. D.P.P.* (1965) 3 All E.R. 587.

(25) L.R. 8 Q.B. 118.

(26) 5 Q.B.D. 155.

(27) 16 Cox C.C. 51. *sub nom. Horner v. Cadman* (1886) 55 L.J.M.C. 110.

(28) emphasis added.

(29) L.R. 8 Q.B. at 125.

(30) *ibid.*

(31) Another, although perhaps rather strained, rendering of Cockburn's words would be: since Regulation 8 is part of the Schedule which is part and parcel of the Act, then the regulation of or "interference" with, the delivery of addresses is expressly sanctioned by the law, and even if at one time the "right" to deliver addresses may have existed it is now no longer a right "to which any person is by law entitled".

(32) L.R. 8 Q.B. at 121.

(33) See, Brownlie I., *The Law Relating to Public Order*, Butterworths (London), 1968, pp. 137-138.

NOTES

(N.B. All references are to English law and to debates and Acts of the Westminster Parliament)

(14) See n. 12, above.

(15) 16 Cox C.C. 449.

(16) *ibid.*, at 452.

(17) *ibid.*, at 453, 454.

(18) "... means and highway, public park or garden, any sea beach, and any public bridge, road, lane, footway, square, court, alley or passage, whether a thoroughfare or not; and includes any open space to which, for the time being, the public have or are permitted to have access, whether or payment or otherwise. This definition has now been replaced by S. 33 of the Criminal Justice Act, 1972.

(19) Which includes any enactment in a provisional order confirmed by Parliament (S. 343, Public Health Act, 1936), but presumably excludes common law crimes. Thus, for the purpose of the common law misdemeanour of indecent exposure, S. 224 of the Public Health Act, 1936, does not, strictly speaking, apply. What at common law, and for the purpose of this offence, is a "public place" is a different thing altogether.

(20) See, *Halsbury's Stats.*, 3rd. Ed., Vol. 8, p. 633n.

(21) or public indecencies generally.

(22) *R. v. Thallman* (1863) 9

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The Citizen, Traffic Accidents, and the Law

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Part 2

In this issue we are continuing with the second part of a Lecture delivered by Dr. J. Galea Debono B.A., LL.D. at the University of Malta in the course of a series of talks for lay men on a number of legal subjects. Dr. Galea is one of the Court Appointed Traffic Experts and, in the second part of his article, analyses a number of typical traffic accidents and some of the means how the victim or the damaged party can obtain redress.

Fig. 4. The tail-end collision or "tamponamento" as the Italians call it, is caused by the following car bumping into the rear of the car in front, which has stopped or slowed down for some reason.

The leading principle here is that it is the duty of the tailing car's driver always to keep at a safe distance from the car in front, to enable him to stop even in an emergency without, naturally, hitting such car.

The driver of a tailing car will have an uphill climb trying to prove that he was not to blame or that the driver in front was also partly to blame. It is incumbent on the tailing driver to co-ordinate his car's movement with those of traffic ahead of him, which he is in a better position to see. It often happens that the driver of the tailing car is momentarily distracted. However, if it results that the driver in front pulled up for some capricious or frivolous reason, as where he stops on the spur of the moment and abruptly, to give a lift to someone waiting on a Bus stop or to chat with a friend, thereby obstructing the free and smooth circulation of traffic, then it might be possible to pin part of the responsibility on him as well.

Fig. 5 & 6 show two somewhat similar cases where the same principles apply, namely, a right turn either in performing a U turn into another road across the path of oncoming traffic or of a vehicle bearing down from the rear, usually during an overtaking manouevre.

The investigator would in such

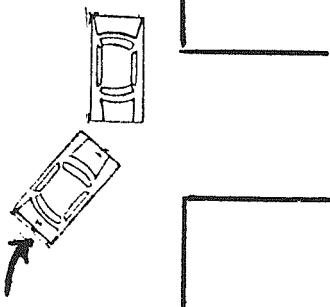
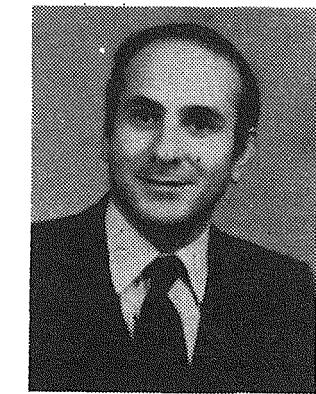


FIG 5

cases normally ask whether the driver making the right turn, had given the appropriate signal; whether he kept a look out for oncoming traffic and traffic approaching from the rear (by using his rear view mirror) before attempting the turn, and whether the other vehicle was in plain view if one had cared to look.

Indeed the factor of lookout or lack of it is one of the most important in deciding upon blame. It is obviously the duty of a driver to keep a proper lookout at all times. 'Keeping a proper look out' has been defined by case law as meaning "more than looking straight ahead — it includes awareness of what is happening in one's immediate vicinity. A motorist shall have a view of the whole road, from side to side and, in the case of a road passing through a built up area, of the pavements on the side of the road as well." Failure to see what is in plain view constitutes failing to keep a proper look out. Many a time an insuspecting driver giving evidence will take refuge in the allegation that he did not see the other car, hence arguing that he was not to blame for the accident. Little would he know that he has probably made the statement most demanding to his case, eliciting the wry remark from opposing counsel "He did not come from the clouds by any chance, did he?"



the driver of the vehicle making the right turn is usually to blame. However, if he can prove that the other driver also contributed, such as, for instance, because the oncoming driver failed to stop in time due to excessive speed or that the driver of the car approaching from the rear was overtaking near a road junction, he might be able to share part of the blame, albeit a lesser part, on the other driver. One must always remember that the giving of the appropriate signal does not convert right of way in one's favour.

As more of our thoroughfares are widened, improved and divided into opposite carriageways and lanes, the importance of strict lane discipline is all too obvious. Figure 7 illustrates typical cases where a driver changes

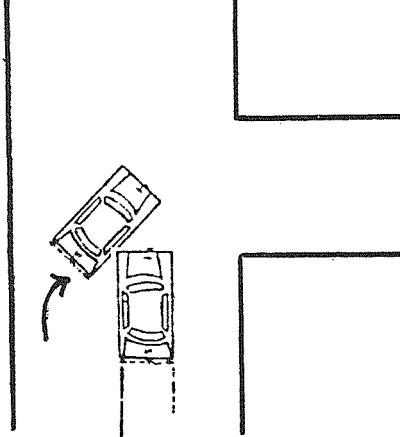


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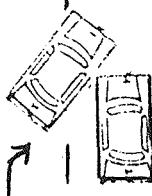


FIG 7

lanes and provokes an accident very often in an attempt at overtaking a slower car in his lane. The principle in such cases is that in changing lanes a driver must do nothing to inconvenience road users in the other lanes, or indeed to force them to slow down or stop. An abrupt changing of lanes without being preceded by careful exploration of the other lane and the adequate signalling of intention well in advance before the manoeuvre, will, normally, weigh very heavily against the driver changing lanes in such a fashion and is likely to saddle him with all the responsibility of a resulting collision.

Up to now we have concerned ourselves with accidents involving vehicles where the first contact, at least, is between metal and metal and not human bones and tissue. Unhappily, running down cases involving pedestrians, very often have longer and far reaching ill effects on the victim and the incidence of permanent disability resulting from bodily injury and indeed death is much higher. In these cases the following factors are usually taken into account in establishing responsibility.

1. How much of the road had the pedestrian crossed before being hit? — The obvious implication being that the longer the pedestrian has been in the carriageway, the more opportunity the motorist would have had to notice him and avoid him.

2. Did the pedestrian create an emergency for the driver?

a) by crossing from behind some other vehicle?

b) by suddenly stepping off the pavement into the car's path?

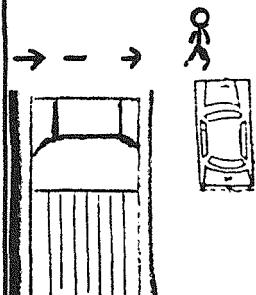


FIG 8

c) by making some abrupt or unexpected move such as turning back suddenly while crossing on one direction?

If the driver can prove a sudden emergency created by the pedestrian and no flaw in his own driving, such as excessive speed or lack of proper look out, he might well be declared completely exempt from any responsibility. Should contributory negligence or bad driving also result on the driver's part, then the blame is likely to be apportioned. In such cases there is no hard and fast rule and everything depends on the particular circumstances of the case.

We have up to now dealt with the most common and recurring types of accidents. These examples are by no means exhaustive. The combinations and permutations are legion and every case has its very own particular aspects. There are of course accidents solely due to mechanical fault or defect where brakes, suspension or steering systems fail suddenly often when they are needed most, resulting in totally unexpected accidents with unpredictable results not uncommonly very serious if not indeed fatal.

The law prohibits any person from driving or allowing another person to drive a motor vehicle with brakes, springs or other mechanical vital parts which are defective and the owner or driver is responsible for making sure that the motor vehicle is kept in a good state of repair.

Consequently, if an accident occurs because of a mechanical

breakdown, the driver will be very hard put to escape liability unless perhaps he can prove Act of God or indeed sabotage in his defence or that the part would have been broken down even with proper and regular maintenance. The burden of proof in these cases will be on the driver or owner.

Before passing on to the procedural aspect of the subject a brief reference must be made about SKIDDING. Our case law has ruled that a skid is in itself neither evidence of guilt nor a defence. In determining the responsibility to be borne by the driver of a skidding car one has to inquire whether he was guilty of any bad driving of a skidding car one has to inquire whether he was guilty of any bad driving just prior to or even during the skid itself, which has brought about or aggravated the skid.

PART II

The second part of this article deals with the legalistic aspect of the subject and particularly the various ways of obtaining redress for the damage suffered.

Before matters reach this stage, however, there is a very important matter that has to be given immediate attention by any driver or owner of a vehicle in the hours following the accident. This consists in the prompt reporting of the accident to one's insurance firm. Many have the mistaken idea that they are bound to report only if they think they are to blame, confusing the accident report with making a claim and all its lurking implications of loss of no claim bonus. They are therefore somewhat reluctant to do so. But as stated, by making this report, one is not admitting liability. However, if one is held to be liable later on, failure to make such a timely report might be used to his great disadvantage by an insurance from not to keen to meet its liabilities under the policy.

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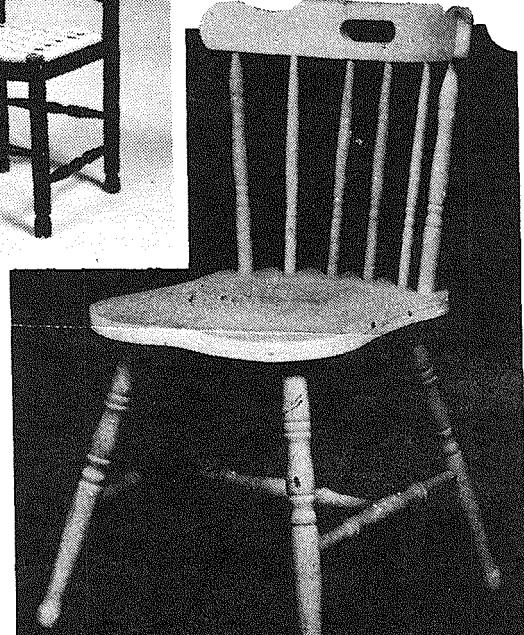
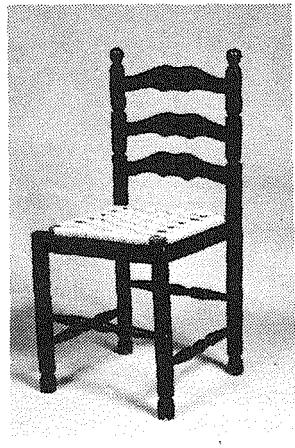


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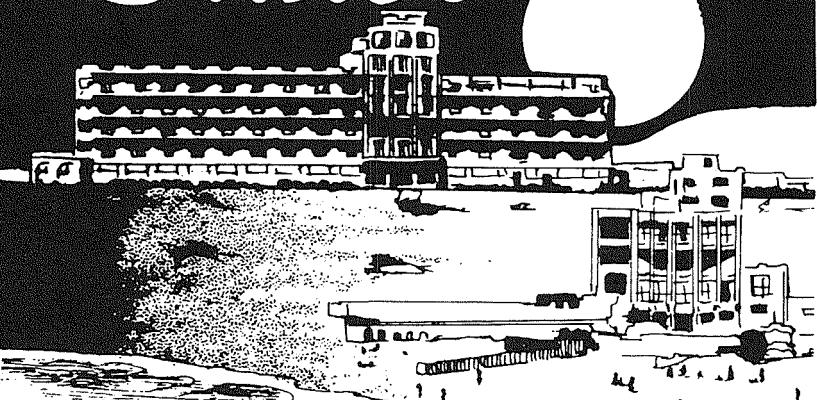
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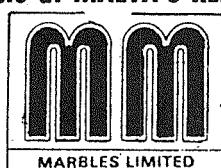
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Fit-18 ta' Settembru 1983 grupp iehor ta' membri tal-Korp tal-Pulizija, din id-darba Pulizija nisa, halley Malta għal żjara edukattiva mal-awtoritajiet tal-Pulizija Taljana, Carabinieri. Dan il-grupp kien jikkonsisti minn seba' Kuntistabbliji u Surgent li gew fl-ewwel postijiet fl-eżamijiet tal-korsijiet ta' taħrif tar-rekluti.

Mal-wasla tagħhom fl-ajrūport ta' Fiumicino, il-Pulizija Nisa gew milqugħha minn Uffiċċjali tal-Carabinieri li bl-akbar ospitalità ghenuhom jehi mill-formalitajiet ta' l-immigrazzjoni. Dawn hadu wkoll hsieb jipprovd pullman biex iwassal il-grupp fil-lukanda gewwa Ruma fejn gew allogġġati l-Pulizija Maltin.

It-Tnejn 19 ta' Settembru 1983 il-Pulizija Maltin ittieħdu fil-Ministeru ta' l-Affarijiet Barranin Taljan fejn iltaqgħu ma' xi uffiċċjali ta' dan il-Ministeru u saru l-proċeduri li normalment isiru f'attivitàajiet bħal dawn. Il-kumplament ta' dan il-jum kien liberu.

It-Tlieta, 20 ta' Settembru fil-ghodu, il-grupp ta' Pulizija Nisa akkumpanjat mill-Kaptan D'Angelo, ittieħed fil-Kwartieri Generali tal-Carabinieri f'Ruma. Hemmhekk huma gew milqugħha minn xi Fizzjali tal-Pulizija Taljana u wara dawn ittieħdu fl-auditorium fejn intwera film dwar l-organizzazzjoni tal-Carabinieri. F'dan il-film gie spjegat kif inhu mqassam il-Kwartieri Generali u s-sistemi ta' taħrif li jingħataw lill-Pulizija Taljani. Wara, il-grupp ittieħed il-'Control Room' fejn il-fizzjal inkārigat minn din is-sezzjoni spjega kif jitqassam ix-xogħol mal-ħafna stazzjonijiet tal-Pulizija fl-Italja kollha. Wara il-grupp żar iċ-Ċentru tal-Computer fl-istess Kwartieri Generali. Il-grupp imbagħad gie mistieden għad-did 'drinks' fejn gew mibdula wkoll xi rikordji ta' din iż-żjara. F'dan il-jum il-Pulizija Nisa ttieħdu jżuru wkoll it-Taqsima tal-Kavallerija u wara gew mistiedna għall-kolazzjon.



Is-Surgent Mariella Mizzi tippreżenta l-arma tal-Pulizija ta' Malta lil-General Dott. G. Richero, bħala tifkira taż-żjara tal-grupp.

L-erbgħa, 21 ta' Settembru l-Pulizija Maltin ittieħdu jżuru is-Sezzjoni ta' l-Iskwadra Mobbli magħrufa bħala 'Radio Commanded Squad'. Il-fizzjali nkariġati minn din is-Sezzjoni stieden lil Pulizija Nisa jżuru s-sala ope-

rattiva ta' din is-sezzjoni u għal darba oħra gie muri film dwar kif taħdem din l-iskwadra u kif tagħti l-ghajnejha mmedjata tagħha. Wara saru diversi demostrazzjoni prattiċi dwar kif isiru r-'road blocks' tfittixxijiet f'iq-



Il-Pulizija Nisa flimkien ma' Fizzjali tal-Carabinieri.

il-persuni 'mock cases' dwar incidenti tat-traffiku u demostrazzjonijiet oħra. Il-Pulizija Nisa wara gew mistiedna għall-kolazzjoni fil-Mess tal-Fizzjali tal-Carabinieri.

Il-Hamis, 22 ta' Settembru l-Group ittieħed fl-iskola tas-Sotto ufficċjali tal-Carabinieri f'Velletri u wara li sar 'briefing' qasir dwār kif inhu t-tqassim ta' din l-iskola, il-grupp ittieħed izurha. Hawnhekk il-Pulizija nisa kellhom ukoll ix-xorti jaraw kif jiġi stampat il-magazine tal-Carabinieri. F'din l-iskola minbarra t-taħriġ f'lectures isir ukoll taħriġ ta' sparar. Iż-żjara ntemmet b'kolazzjoni fl-istess centru, iżda wara l-Pulizija Maltin kellhom ix-xorti li jduru dawra madwar Ruma b'helicopters tal-Carabinieri li niżlu fil-bitha ta' l-iskola. Din certament kienet l-akbar attivitā ta' din iż-żjara li qajmet interress kbir għall-Maltin. Wara din id-dawra ma' Ruma, il-Pulizija Nisa niżlu fil-baži tal-helicopters tal-Carabinieri fi Pratica di Mare fejn il-grupp gie milqugħ minn għadd ta' Uffiċċjali ta' din it-Taqsima li anke pprezentaw xi bukketti tal-fjuri lill-Pulizija Nisa. Wara din ill-laqqha kordjali u riċeviment żgħir, il-Pulizija Maltin ittieħdu dawra mal-kosta' ta' Ruma bil-patrol boat.

Il-Gimħa' 23 ta' Settembru l-grupp żar l-iskola tal-Uffiċċjali



Il-Pulizija Nisa flimkien mal-pilots tal-helicopters.

tal-Carabinieri li tinsab ftit minuti biss bogħod mil-lukanda fejn kienu allogġjati l-pulizija Maltin. Dawn gew imdawwra f'din l-iskola fejn raw il-laboratorju forensiku, 'lecture rooms' u 'range' ta' l-isparar.

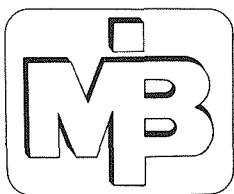
Is-Sibt, 24 ta' Settembru, il-Grupp mar jara l-Battaljun tal-Carabinieri f'Lazio. Hawnhekk il-Pulizija Maltin kellhom l-lokkażjoni jaraw kif jiġu kkontrollati l-irvelli jippezz ta' demostrazzjonijiet. Raw ukoll sparar bl-armi minn 'sharp

shooters' ta' dan il-battaljun.

Il-Hadd, l-ahħar ġurnata ta' din iż-żjara l-grupp halla Ruma għal Malta. Żjara li certament se tibqa' fil-memorji ta' dawn il-membri tal-Korp li kellhom kliem ta' tifħir għall-oospitälità li tawhom il-membri u l-awtoritajiet tal-Carabinieri. Il-Pulizija Nisa li attendew għal din iż-żjara wrew ukoll gratitudni u apprezzament għal min kien responsabbli minn din iż-żjara, fosthom il-Kummissarju tal-Pulizija u l-awtoritajiet Taljani.

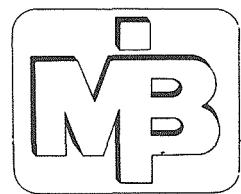


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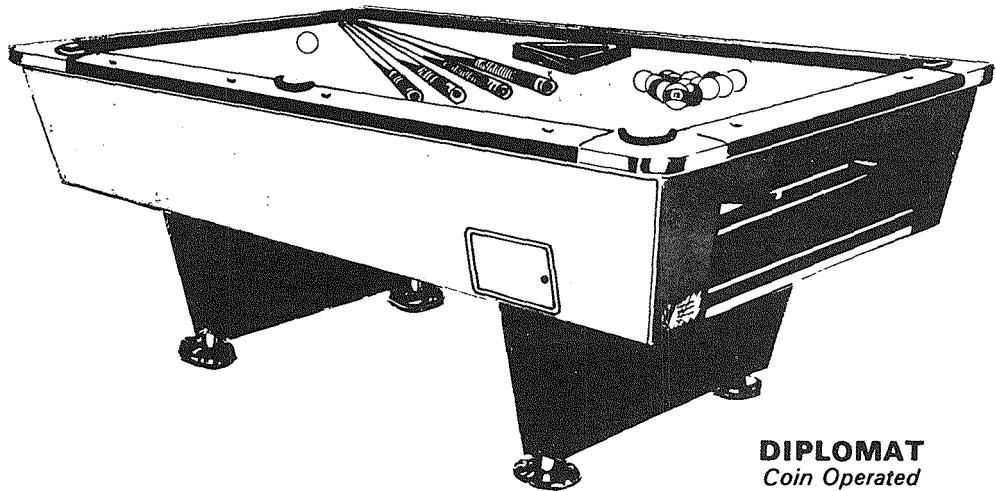


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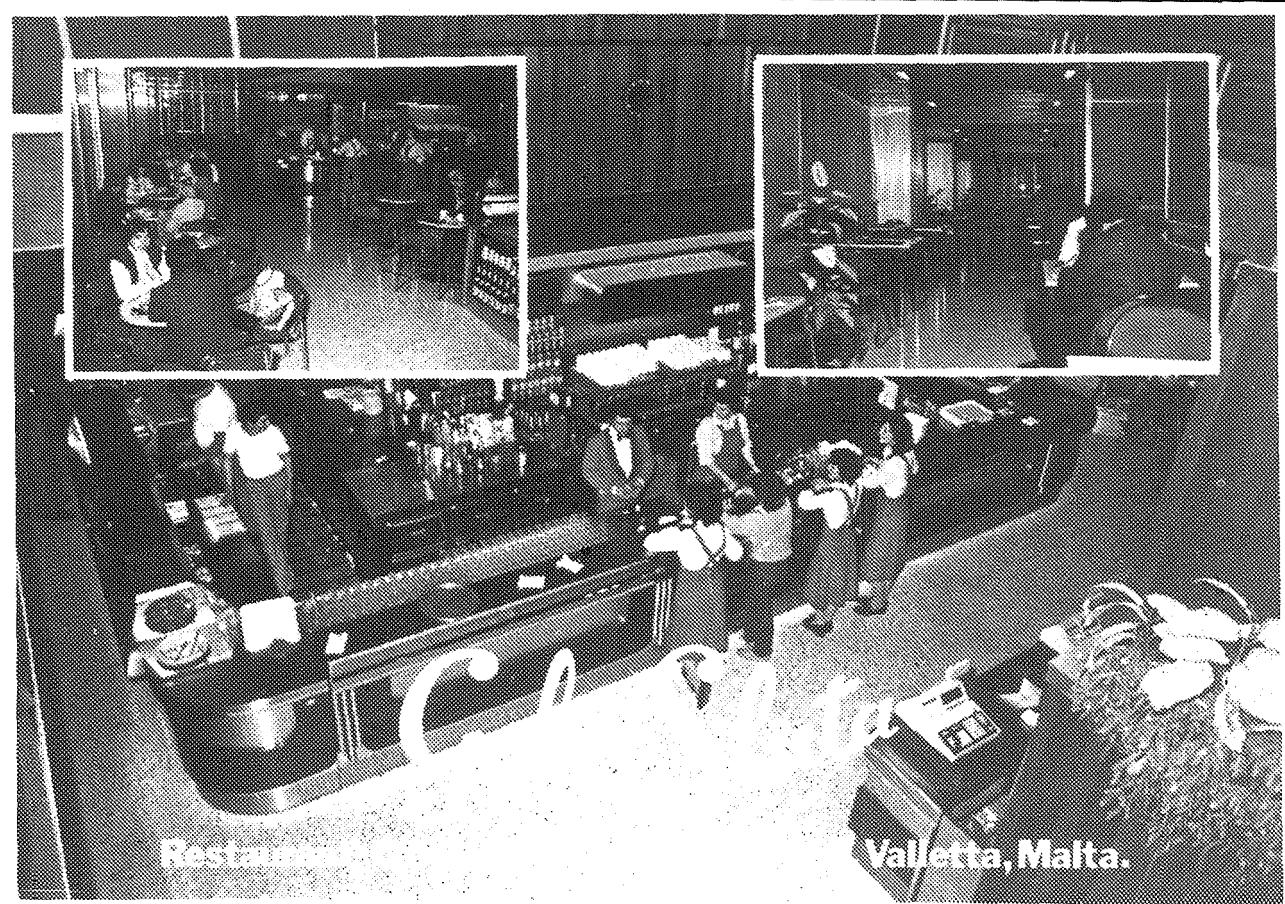
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Il-Karnival ta' l-1846

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Nhar Sibt il-Karnival, 21 ta' Frar 1846, bhas-soltu, kien jidher minn fil-ghodu li kien se jit-qanqal moviment mhux tas-soltu. Il-mawra tan-nies tal-kampanja u oħrajin għal Belt Valletta, kienet iġgib magħha risq u kummerċ għal bosta ħaddiem: il-bejjiegħa tal-ilma fit-toroq, tal-pastizzi jew il-helwa, kollha kienu jistennew bil-herqa okkażjoni bħal Karnival billi kien idum aktar mill-festa tar-rahal, ghax jibda mis-Sibt u jibqa' sejjer sat-Tlieta ta'

wara.

Dwar ġimħa qabel, mal-ħajt tal-kantuniera Triq it-Tijatru u Triq San Ĝorg (ir-Repubblika tal-lum), kienet twaħħlet karta tal-Gvern, avviż magħruf bl-isem ta' bandu dak iż-żmien, nhar il-Hadd, 22 ta' Frar 1846. L-avviż kien iġib il-firma tal-ispettūr tal-Pulizija Frederick Sedley (il-kap tal-Korp), u ma kienx deher stampat fil-Gazzetta tal-Gvern. Ghasssa ma' l-avviż kien tpogga pjantun biex ma jaqtatgħuhiex.

In-nies qajla kienet qrat dak l-avviż, mhux tant għaliex dak iż-żmien wieħed minn kull elf kien jaf jaqra sew, imma għax meta kien qrah xi hadd u qal u xerred x'kien fih l-avviż, in-nies injurawh kompletament.

Sebañ il-Hadd, 22 ta' Frar 1846, u dakinhar fil-ghodu ma kien hemm ebda attivitā billi kienet festa kmandata u kulħadd kien imur bi ħragu lejn il-knisja għad-dmīrijet tiegħu.

Wara l-ikla, imbagħad, in-nies bdiet taħseb għalbiex toħroġ mid-dar mal-familja, biex imorru lejn il-Belt. Mas-sagħtejn ta' wara nofsinhar it-toroq bdew jimgħid bil-folla. L-aktar li kienu jaġħmlu għaliha din l-okkażjoni kienu dawk li joqogħdu fl-inħawi tal-Kottonera, li permezz ta' dgħajsa f'qasir żmien jaqsmu l-baħar u jaſlu x-xatt tal-belt.

Il-maskarati dakinhar ma naqsux anqas. Minn deher riekeb fuq il-ħmir, minn fuq bhejjem oħra, u l-izied li kien ikun popolari kien ikun serbut twil ta' boloh, li mqabbdin wieħed ma' l-ieħor bl-idejn minn qadd xulxin, jimxu u jixxenglu bħal serq qalb in-nies, jitbellhu, jittan-

taw, u fl-istess ħin jegħdew huma u jferrħu lil ħaddieħor.

Għal xi t-tliea, l-ispettūr Sedley, flimkien ma' ftit pulizija, ħareg mill-Klistanija (il-Qorti fejn hemm l-uffiċċju tas-Sanita tal-lum, fi Triq il-Merkanti), u mxew lejn il-pjazza ta' biswit il-knisja konventwali ta' San Ĝwann. In-nies laqgħethom bit-tisfir, ċapċip u ħsejjes oħra, kontrihom. L-ispettūr resaq lejn uħud u wissihom biex jitilqu minn hemm bil-kortesija kollha, u jitfarr Xu, u jobdu l-ordni li kienet ħarġet.

Minn hemm baqa' sejjer lejn il-pjazza tal-Palazz. Xi ħadd li kien jaħfu waqaf ikellmu, u offrielu biex jidhol miegħu fil-Kaffe Ewropa biex jixorbu flimkien. Iżda hu qal li ma setax jaċċetta. Dak il-ħin ukoll minn ħdejn il-Casino San Giorgio kien għaddej it-tabib Dr Felice Calleja ma' xi ħbieb tiegħu, u kif lemaħ lil Sedley, issuġġerielu biex iwarrab 'il bogħod minn dik il-folla, u jitlaq lejn l-uffiċċju tiegħu li ma jkunx kawża ta' xi provokazzjoni, għax milli kien jidher il-folla kienet daqsxejn kontra dak l-avviż li kien ħareg qabel.

Minnflok, l-ispettūr kompli triqtu, u mar lejn Triq San Patrizju l-inħawi tal-Mandragħ. F'daqqa waħda xi ħadd waddab sieħ (qies ta' dari) għall-ispettūr, u laqtu f'rasu.

Sadattant il-Karnival fit-toroq baqa' sejjer xorta, u żgur li ħadd ma kien jaf x'għara.

X'hi daqqet l-Ave Marija, il-fizzjal tal-ġħassha tal-Main Guard, bħal ma kienet id-drawwa militari, sejjah u ta l-ordni biex is-suldati joħorgu ħalli jsellmu l-inżul tal-bandiera, u jibdlu l-ġħassha. Ir-rigiment kien tal-Highlanders.

U, tobsor kif jibdew il-ġrajjet...

Mela, wieħed ġuvni, li kien sew sew ħdejn l-għadba tal-Main Guard, fettillu jaġħmel kutrum-bajsa, u x'hi dar fl-ajru, rasu 'i isfel u saqajh 'il fuq, b'siequ laqat it-tambur tas-suldati, sfrundah u tefgħu fl-art, aċċidentalment. X'hi induna x'kien għamel intortament dabbar rasu,

u telaq jiġri b'kemm kellu ħila għal qalb il-folla, u ħarab.

Kienet ix-xrara biex kellha bidu l-ġrajja li qiegħdin nirrakkontaw.

Bdiet tilwima bejn is-suldati u l-Maltin. Dak il-ħin wasal fuq il-post it-tabib Calleja li kien għadu kemm ġej mill-Mandragħ fejn kien dewwa lill-ispettūr, u ndahal biex jikkwieta l-folla u lis-suldati. Imma t-tabib ma kienx jaf jikkell bl-Ingliz biex ifiehem lis-suldati, u daqshekk ieħor is-suldati tar-Rigiment Highlanders ma kienux jafu jitkellmu la bit-Taljan u lanqas bil-Malti. Billi kien beda jirraġuna b'idejh it-tnejn biex speċi jispjega dak li ried jgħidilhom, ma sewa għal xejn.

U resaq lejhom nitfa żżejjed, biex bħal jimbuttahom lura, u dlonk intlaqat minn waħda mill-bajjunetti ta' suldat. Il-poplu x'hi ra dan, mingħajr ma qagħdu jaħsbuha x'setgħet kienet il-kawża, infexxet f'dagħdiha, qisha istantanza, li bdiet taqtigħha.

Il-Maltin kienet bosta, u kif is-suldati raw li l-folla setgħet tgħelibhom, dahlu lejn il-Main Guard, u nhbew ġewwa.

Ftit wara wasal ir-rinfors. Mill-Palazz ħargu daqs tużżana suldati oħra tal-istess rigiment. Wasal ukoll il-Kurunell Bal-neavis, l-uffiċċjal kmandant tat-truppi kollha f'Malta, bniedem maħbub, prudenti u popolari hafna mill-Maltin. Ta ħarsa madwaru u baqa' dieħel fil-Palazz, fejn mar jitkellem mal-vernatur.

X'hi, imbagħad, ħareg lura fil-pjazza, il-folla, ħlejja qbar ta' nies, bdiet iċċapċċap u tgħajnej evviva il-colonello inglese, u evviva Balneavis. Ressaq lejn il-folla u qallhom biex jitfarr Xu. Daqs kemm kienet jirrispettaw. Il-maġġuranza obdew minnufi u bdew sejrin lura lejn darhom, oħrajin minnflok dahlu fil-ħwienet tax-xorb, jew tal-kaffa, u oħrajin, li kien jidher il-ġħażu, li kien aktar fuq ruħhom, forsi, ma cċa qilqx minn hemm, u baqgħu jaraw kif se tispicċċa l-affari.

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L-ewwel zieda fil-kontribuzzjoni ta' dan il-fond saret fl-1979 meta l-kontribuzzjoni saret hmistax-il centeżmu fix-xahar.

Ta' min ifakk li r-raġuni ta', din iż-żieda fil-kontribuzzjoni f'dawn iż-żminijiet kienet li matul il-ġranet tal-Milied, minn dan il-fond kienet qed tingħata lira għal kull membru tal-Korp filwaqt li d-dħul totali f'sena minn kull membru kienet ta' sit-tin centeżmu. Dan kien ilu jsir għal madwar hames snin u kieku baqa' sejjer hekk, dan il-fond kien jiġi fix-xejn.

Reġa' kien hemm zieda fil-kontribuzzjoni b'effett minn Lulju 1980 meta dawn saru tlettin centeżmu fix-xahar u hawn twaqqaf. Bord kompost minn żewġ rappreżentanti tal-Kummissarju u ċ-Chairman ta' l-Assocjazzjoni tal-Pulizija, biex jistudja t-talbiet minn fost il-membri tal-Korp għall-ġħajnuna finanzjarja in konnessjoni ma' mard jew disgrazzji.

F'Mejju 1981 kienu saru diversi taħdidi bejn l-Amministrazzjoni, l-Assocjazzjoni tal-Pulizija u nies oħra ta' kumpaniji ta' assigurazzjoni bil-ġħan li tibda tithaddem skema ta' assi-

gurazzjoni għall-membri kollha tal-Korp. Għal dawn it-taħditiet gew mistiedna wkoll rappreżentanti ta' l-Għaqda tal-Pulizija Pensjonanti għaliex kien hemm ukoll il-ħsieb li l-Mutual Help Association, li tagħrif dwarha jingħata 'l-quddiem f'dan l-artiklu, tīgħi amalgamata fi skema ta' assigurazzjoni.

Ma għandniex xi nghidu, f'każ-żiet ta' assigurazzjoni il-kumpaniji jiġibdu lejhom u deher li din l-iskema kienet se toħloq piż fuq il-membri u piż aktar fuq l-ex-membri tal-Korp. Għalhekk gie deċiż li l-Korp jadotta skema tiegħu fejn tingħata s-somma ta' elf lira lill-familjari ta' dawk il-membri li jidu waqt li jkunu għadhom iservu fil-Korp.

Din l-iskema bdiet taħdem b'effett mil-Lulju 1981 u biex jaġħmel tajjeb għal din l-iskema kellha terġa' tiżidied il-kontribuzzjoni tal-General Fund bi tlett centeżmu oħra. B'hekk il-kontribuzzjoni għal dan il-fond saret ta' 60 centeżmu fix-xahar. Tajjeb wieħed isemmi li sal-ħruġ ta' dan il-magazine, in-numru ta' membri tal-Korp li mietu waqt li kienu għadhom iservu fil-Korp kien ta' tlieta.

Benefiċċi oħra minn dan il-fond huma għajjnuna finanzjarja f'kazijiet ta' mard jew disgrazzji. Għal dan il-ġħan illum hemm Bord kompost minn Superintendent, Spettur, Sergeant Maġġur, Sergeant u tlett Kuntistabblijet, inkluza Pulizija mara, li jistudjaw it-talbiet minn fost il-membri tal-Korp. Dawn it-talbiet flimkien mar-rakkoman-dazzjoni jiet ta' dan il-Bord jgħaddu għand il-Kummissarju li japprova l-ġħajnuna finanzjarja, jekk il-każ-za' iġġi meritat.

L-ġħajnuna tista' tkun għotja, self mingħajr imgħax jew xort oħra. Wieħed irid jifhem madankollu li dawn il-fondi huma limitati u għaldaqstant irid isir certu kontroll. Ta' min isemmi wkoll li bil-ġħan li jikbru dawn il-fondi. il-Kummissarju li huwa l-kontrollur tal-General Fund, investa parti sewwa mill-flus barra minn Malta b'imġħaxi jiet tajbin.

Il-General Fund ukoll dejjem għamel tajjeb għall-ispejjeż li

jsiru in konnessjoni mal-party tal-Milied għat-tfal tal-membri tal-Korp kif ukoll għas-Summer Camp għall-istess tfal. Is-sena l-oħra għall-party tat-tfal ħarġet is-somma ta' Lm2114, nofs din is-somma ħarġet mill-General Fund u n-nofs l-ieħor hareġ mill-fond tal-Assocjazzjoni kif jiġi spjegat aktar 'il quddiem. Dawn huma spejjeż kbar li għalihom jaġħmel tajjeb dan il-fond. Izda barra dawn hemm spejjeż oħra bħas-sett armi tal-Pulizija li jingħata bħala rigal lil dawk li jtemmu s-servizz fil-Korp u johorġu bil-pensjoni.

Fond ta' l-Assocjazzjoni tal-Pulizija

Il-fond ta' l-Assocjazzjoni tal-Pulizija huwa kkontrollat mill-Kumitat ta' l-istess Assocjazzjoni u għalihi issir kontribuzzjoni ta' hmistax-il centeżmu fix-xahar. Parti minn dan il-fond huwa wkoll investit barra minn Malta b'imġħaxijiet tajbin u dawn jaġħmu tajjeb biex jiżidied l-istess fond. Dan il-fond jaġħmel tajjeb għall-ispejjeż li jsiru għall-party tal-Milied tat-tfal tal-Pulizija li kif ingħad aktar qabel, l-ispejjeż għalihi jinqas mu ndaqqs bejn dawn iż-żewġ fondi. L-istess haġa ssir rigward is-Summer Camp. Mill-fond ta' l-Assocjazzjoni tingħata wkoll donazzjoni ta' terz tad-dħul għall-Police Club. Dan ifisser li mill-hmistax-il centeżmu li jit-tħalli fix-xahar, l-Assocjazzjoni tgħaddi hames centeżmi min-nhom għall-fond tal-Police Club li kif se jiġi spjegat f'dan l-artiklu jinhieg flejjes kbar.

Mutual Help Association

Il-fond tal-M.H.A. magħruf minn hafna bhala l-fond tal-mejtin' huma mseħbin fih l-ex-membri tal-Korp u jikkontribwi xwixxu 12c5 għal kull membru jew ex-membri li jidu. Il-membri tal-Korp, jikkontribwi xwixxu 25 centeżmu fix-xahar.

Dan il-fond twaqqaf fl-1925 u l-kontribuzzjoni jiet kienu u għadhom l-istess. Skond minuti antiki ta' konferenza bejn il-Kummissarju u fizzjali għolja tal-Korp, jidher li l-ġħan tat-twaqqif ta' dan il-fond li f'dak iż-żmien

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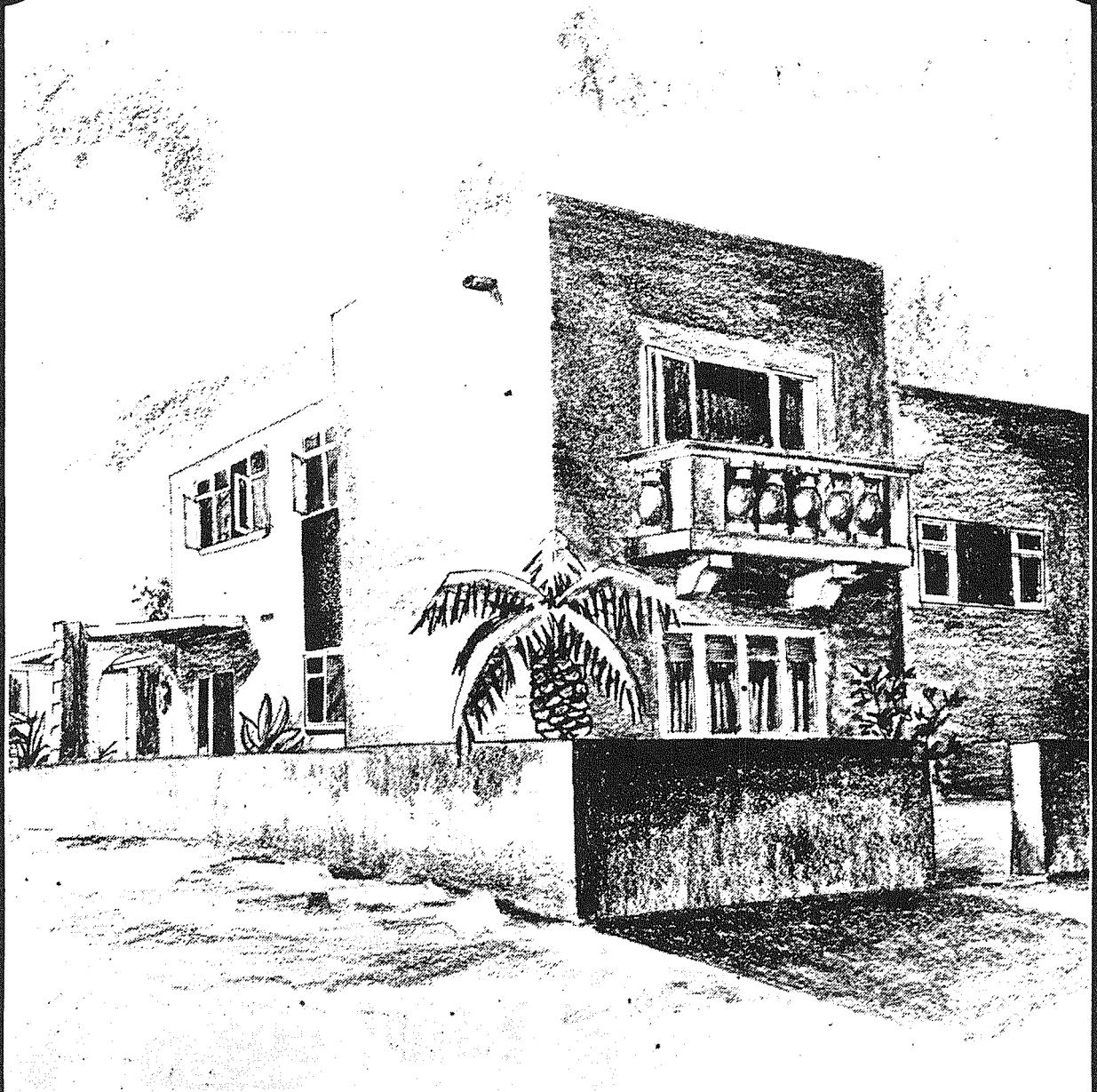
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kien isejjah 'Funeral Expenses and Auxiliary Fund', kien biex il-familjari tal-membri tal-Korp li kienu jmutu, kien ikollhom biex jagħmlu funeral dicenti. Tajjeb wieħed ifakkar li siż-żminijiet li qed insemmu kien hawn għaks kbir u ħafna kienu jsibuha diffiċli biex jagħmlu funeral dicenti lil mejtin tagħhom.

Fil-bidu, is-shubija fil-Mutual Help kienet volontarja, iżda maž-żmien saret obbligatorja għall-membri kollha tal-Korp. Dawn kif jispicċaw mis-servizz għand-hom għażla li jew ikomplu jħallsu u jibbenefikaw, jew li ma jħallsu, iżda mingħajr ma jieħdu l-ebda flus lura jew li jingħata xi beneficiċju lil familjari tagħhom wara mewthom. Is-somma li tingħata f'każijiet bħal dawn hija ta' madwar Lm260.

Officers' Mess Fund

Fond ieħor li għalihi jikkontribwixxu **biss** il-fizzjali huwa l-Officers' Mess Fund. Il-kontribuzzjonijiet ta' dan il-fond huma kif gej: Kummissarju, Deputat Kummissarju u Assistant Kummissarju: Lm1.50 fix-xahar; Suprintendent: Lm1.25 fix-xahar u Spettur: Lm1 fix-xahar. Dan il-fond iservi għall-attivitajiet soċċali tal-fizzjali u għall-bżonnijiet tal-Mess tagħhom.

Other Ranks

Canteen Fund

S'issa ssemmew il-fondi li għalihom isiru kontribuzzjonijiet minn fost il-membri tal-Korp. Hemm fondi oħra li ghalkemm ma jsirux kontribuzzjonijiet għalihom, xorta waħda wieħed jibbenfika minnhom. Fond bħal dan huwa tal-Mess minn fejn ħafna mill-attivitajiet soċċali għall-membri tal-Korp jiġi sussidjati. F'paġna oħra ta' dan il-magazine hemm il-programm tal-attivitajiet għal-żmien il-Milied, fosthom hemm dawk li jiġi sussidjati permezz ta' flus minn dan il-Fond. L-attivitajiet sportivi wkoll jiġi sussidjati minn dan il-fond li l-uniku dħul li għandu huwa mill-bejgħ mill-Canteen, liema bejgħ digħi huwa sussidjat.

Għalhekk tajjeb li nżommu quddiem għajnejna li meta nużaw il-facilitajiet tal-Other Ranks



Is-Supintendent M. Borg jippreżenta c-cheque ta' elf lira lis-Sinjura Grima l-armla ta' ex-P.C. 895 Grima. Is-Sinjura Grima kienet l-ewwel armla ta' ex-membri tal-Korp li bbenifikat minn din l-iskema. Is-Sargent Cilia, Chairman ta' l-M.P.A. (xellug).

Canteen inkunu qeqħdin ngħinu lilna nfusna barra li niffrankaw il-flus.

Police Club Fund

Kif thabbar f'artiklu dwar il-progett ta' espansjoni fil-Police Club, huma meħtieġa flejjes kbar biex jittlesta dan il-progett. Sa ftit xhur ilu, id-dħul għal dan il-fond kien mid-donazzjoni ta' l-Associazjoni kif ukoll minn attivitajiet bħal tombla, coffee mornings u dinner dances. B'effett minn Ottubru 1983 il-bar u l-catering tal-Club beda jitmexxa mill-kumitat tal-Club u għaldaqstant huwa mistenni li id-dħul f'dan il-fond ikun akbar. Tajjeb wieħed jerġa' jfakkar li kull

membri tal-Korp, nisa jew għarajjes tagħhom, kif ukoll it-tfal tal-membri tal-Korp huma membri fil-Police Club, u dan mingħajr ma titħallas ebda konribuzzjoni għalihi.

Fl-ahħar nett wieħed tajjeb isemmi l-lotterji b'risq certi fondi msemmija hawn fuq. Il-premijiet ta' dawn lotterija żgur li ma jsirux f'lotteriji organizzati minn Għaqdiet oħra. Barra minn dan, lil dawk li jbiegħu l-biljetti qed jingħataawlhom żewġ biljetti b'xejn għal kull għaxra li jbiegħu. Inheġġu għaldaqstant lil kull membru tal-Korp jikkopera f'dawn il-lotterji li, wara ko lox, qed isiru għall-benefiċċju tagħħom stess.

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first is much less resorted to by the individual as it brings him nowhere near financial redress. The only party to gain from such proceedings is the State to whom guilty defendants' fines are paid.

In any case, in fatalities, cases or grievous bodily harm and other accidents where manifest and serious breaches of the Traffic Regulations result, the Police usually take it upon themselves to arraign the culprit before the Magistrate's Court. The snag here often is that the Police Sergeant,

who has investigated the accident, will play safe and charge both drivers, leaving the Magistrate to decide who is to blame. A conviction in the Magistrate's Court in connection with a traffic accident, be it a result of proceedings instituted on the complaint of the injured party, or, as is more often the case, by the Police themselves, can bring with it a fine or a suspension from driving for a time. Prison sentences are seldom given except in cases of manslaughter and, even here, very rarely.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Taħriġ Paramilitari lill-Membri tal-Korp tal-Pulizija

Mill-Ispettur C. Cassar

• Ikompli minn paġna 9

• KIF kulħadd kellu ċ-cans jara fuq il-mezzi ta' l-istampa u x-Xandir, fil-5 ta' Novembru 1983 saret iċ-ċeremonja ta' għeluq ir-rabba' kors paramilitari għall-membri tal-Korp tal-Pulizija. Qabel dan il-kors saru tlieta oħra, l-ewwel wieħed kien sar f'Settembru 1982 hekk kif kien sar reklutagg wara nuqqas ta' dħul ta' rekluti għal l-tliet snin. Dawn il-korsijiet saru fil-kamp militari ta' Ghajnejha tuffieha għax dal-kamp joffri l-kumditajiet u l-faċilitajiet meħtieġa.

L-iskop ta' dawn il-korsijiet huwa li l-membri tal-Korp, preferibbilment, mill-bidu nett, jiġu mħarrġa sewwa fix-xogħol meħtieġ għall-Pulizija bħalma huwa 'crowd control', 'self-defence', Juđo u Karate. Barra minn dan, jingħata wkoll dak it-taħriġ militari neċċessarju biex jekk ikun hemm bżonn dawn jgħinu u jis-suplixxu membri tal-Qawwiet Armati ta' Malta f'emergenzi. Skop ieħor ta' dawn il-korsijiet huwa biex il-Pulizija, ma' l-ingaġġ fil-Korp, jagħrfu joqgħodu ghad-dixxiplina mitluba minnhom bħala membri ta' Korp dixxiplinat.



Taħriġ dwar inżul mill-gholi permezz tal-ħbula.

Għal dawn il-korsijiet, s'issa attendew membri ta' età żgħira u fil-gejjjeni hu mistenni li dan ikun l-ewwel kors ta' taħriġ għar-rekluti li jingagħaw fil-Korp. Warajh imbagħad jattendu għall-

kors l-ieħor ta' taħriġ fil-ligijiet u proċedura legali.

Bħala rि�zultat ta' l-ewwel kors, saru t-tieni u t-tielet kors sakemm issa tfassal programm u ġie stabilit it-tul tal-kors ta' tmien



Membri ta' l-ewwel kors paramilitari.

gimghat, fejn matul erba' gimghat minnhom irid isir l-irqad fil-post. Dan normalment isir matul it-tieni, ir-raba', is-sitt u l-ahhar gimgha tal-kors.

Għall-ewwel jiem tal-kors jista' jkun hemm minn jiddejjaq, iżda dan mhux biss ma jdumx ma jadatta ruħu u jidħol fl-ispirtu, iżda meta jkun wasal biex jintemm it-tharrig dawn l-istess nies ikunu jixtiequ li jibqgħu għal żmien itwal. Dan għaliex ikun hemm armonija shiħa u nteress fost il-membri li tibqa' sa' l-ahħar.

It-tharrig fil-kamp jibda minn kmieni fil-ghodu b'eżercizzji fiziċċi intensivi segwit minn sezzjoni ta' judo, karate u self defence. Wara jsir sparar bir-rifles, sub-machine guns, pistoli u revolvers kif ukoll taħrif fl-użu ta' 'hand grenades'. L-isparar isir kemm fir-'range' ta' l-istess kamp kif ukoll f'ranges oħra. Isiru wkoll eżercizzji oħra ta' tip militari. Barra minn dan, isir taħrif dwar kif għandha ssir il-manutenzjoni ta' l-armi. Dan jikkonsisti f'zarmar, armar u tindif ta' l-armi li kull membru jkun responsabbi għalihom. Isir ukoll spezzjonar ta' dawn l-armi mill-fizzjal inkarigat mill-kors.

Wara l-ikel ta' nofs in-nhar, li jiġi pprovdut minn nies stess kemm dak li hu breakfast, lunch jew dinner, issir il-parti tejoretika tal-kors fejn 'instructors' Taljani, membri tal-Missjoni Taljana f'Malta, jagħtu 'lectures' dwar luu u manutenzjoni ta' l-armi kif ukoll dettalji dwar l-eżercizzji li jkunu mħejjija għall-ġħada. Lectures oħra jingħataw dwar 'map reading' kif ukoll dwar kif wieħed jagħmel allokazzjoni permezz ta' mezzi naturali bħal ma huma x-xemx, il-qamar, il-kwiekeb jew xi affarijet oħra li wieħed jista' jagħraf jorjenta ruħu jekk isib ruħu mitluf f'xi post li ma jafux.

Eżercizzji oħra jikkonsistu f'route marches taħt kull kondizzjoni, xita jew xemx, toroq tajba jew m'humiex fejn jingħarru rifle, haversack u tagħmir iehor tqil. F'dawn il-marches iridu jsiru wkoll osservazzjonijiet dwar dak li jiltaqgħu miegħu għaliex wara l-march, isiru diversi domandi dwar x'suppost wieħed kellu josserva.

Naturalment waqt il-kors ikun hemm il-ħin liberu b'mod speċjali



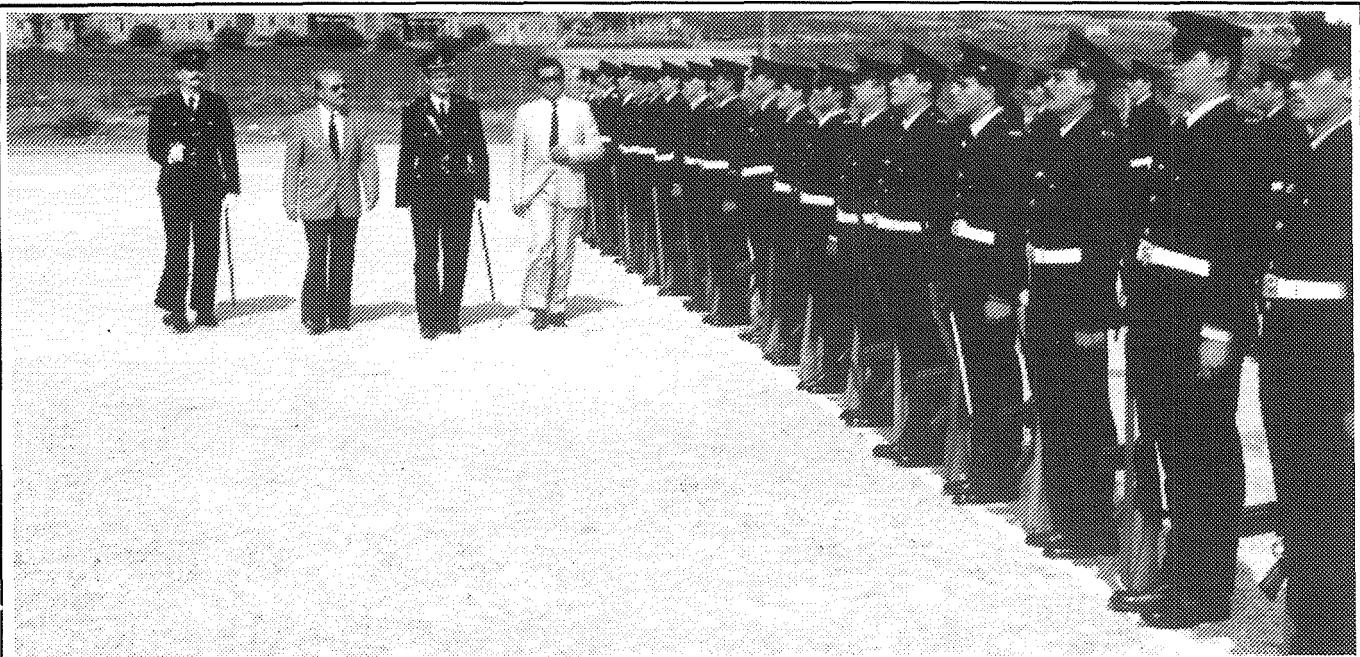
Is-Suprintendent M. Borg jifrah lil Kuntistabli Raymond Sultana.

matul iż-żmien li l-irqad isir fil-kamp. Waqt dan il-ħin liberu jigi organizzat xi sports jew logħob ta' ġewwa. Il-Kummissarju approva wkoll li fil-kamp ikun hemm television tal-kulur u video recorder fejn minbarra l-programmi tat-television wieħed anke jista' jara xi programmi jew films irrekordjati.

Matul il-granet tal-kamp isiru wkoll visti għall-ġħarrieda mill-Kummissarju tal-Pulizija u dawn isiru f'kull ħin. L-iskop hu li tīgi testjata l-abbiltà tal-membri rigward l-'alertness' u kemm jittieħed ħin kieku l-membri kellhom jisseqju għall-emergenza. Dan sar kemm-il darba u, safejn hu magħruf, il-Kummissarju kien sodisfatt bil-livell tal-membri tal-

kors. Ta' min isemmi wkoll li matul iż-żmien tal-kors fejn isir l-irqad fil-kamp, issir għassa mal-kamp minn inżul sa tgħid ix-xemx mill-istess membri tal-kors. Dan isir billi kull membru jagħmel għass ta' sagħtejn.

Fi tmiem dan ir-raba' kors paramilitari saret, għall-ewwel darba, l-'passing out parade' u ingħażel l-ahjar membru tal-kors wara li giet mistħarġa sewwa l-imgieba, id-dixxiplina u l-ħila waqt l-eżercizzji kollha li saru waqt il-kors. Biex saret l-għażla kienet biċċa xogħol għad-direġenti tal-kors peress li kull membru stinka biex jirba dan l-unur. Dan l-unur jingħata bl-approvaż-zjoni tal-membri kollha li jkunu hadu sehem fit-tharrig. L-ahjar membru waqt dan ir-raba' kors



Is-Supt. M. Borg u l-Ispettur C. Cassar flimkien ma' membri tal-Missjoni Taljana jispezzjonaw il-membri tal-kors.

kien il-Kuntistabbi Nru 517 Raymond Sultana u dan ġie mogħti shield tal-Pulizija b'iskrizzjoni li tfakkar l-okkażjoni. Din giet mogħtija lilu waqt din il-parata li għaliha kien mistedn in-nisa u genituri tal-membri.

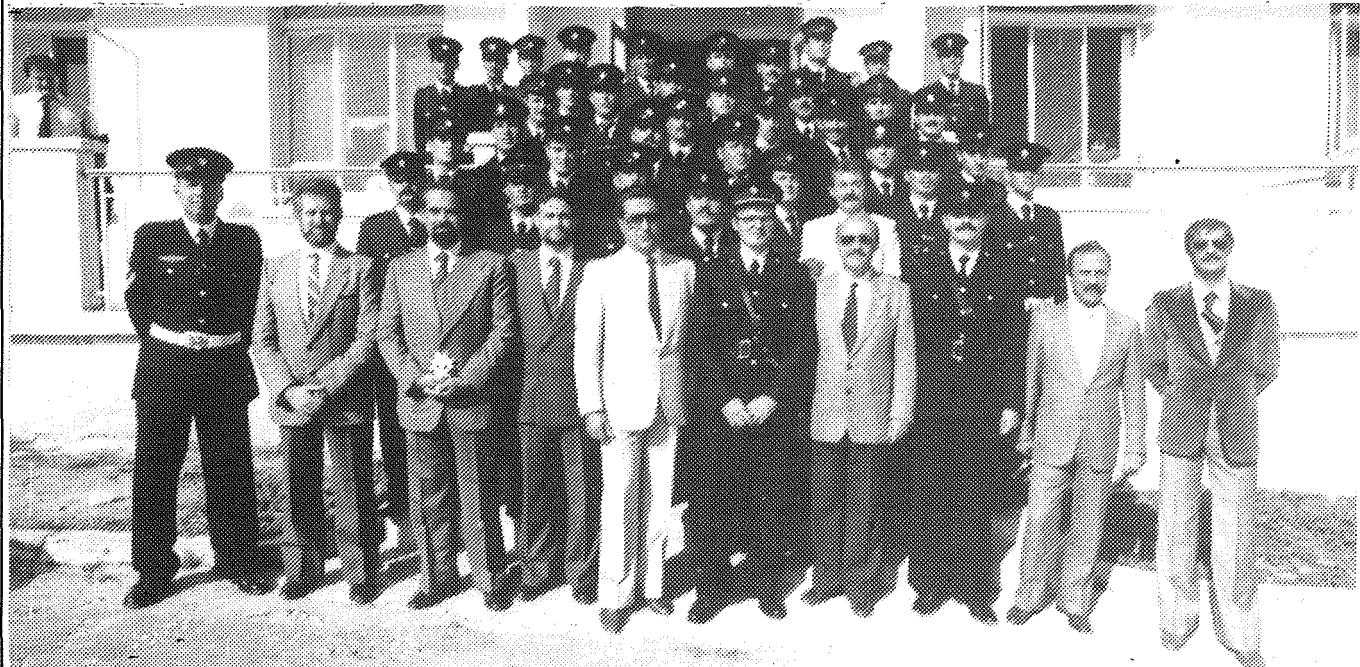
Waqt din iċ-ċeremonja li fiha hadet sehem il-Banda tal-Forzi Armati ta' Malta taħt id-direzzjoni tas-Surmast Chircop, il-Pulizija, għall-ewwel darba, għamlet użu, waqt il-parata, minn armi godda li għalihom meħtieg drill differenti minn dak li sa ftit żmien ilu kien isir minn

kontingent normali tal-parata. Għal din il-parata kelli jsir taħrif sewwa li kien inkarigat minnu s-Surgent Nru 220 Lorry Muscat li kien ukoll is-Surgent Anzjan inkarigat minn dan il-kors.

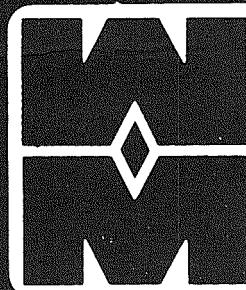
Ta' min isemmi wkoll li min-barra l-ġhażla ta' l-ahjar membru jintgħażlu wkoll l-ahjar membri bil-ġhan li jiġu ppustjati fli 'Special Mobile Unit' li x-xogħol tagħha jinkludi missionijiet ta' periklu bħal meta jkun meħtieg isiru arresti ta' persuni armati.

Ta' min isemmi wkoll, u jirrin-

grazzja, lill-membri tal-Missjoni Taljana f'Malta li kienu ta' ghaj-nuna kbira biex jitfassal programm għal dawn il-korsijiet b'mod speċjali l-Lt. Col. O. Vicari, kif ukoll il-Col. G. Digiacomo li kellhom jgħinuhom lil Kaptani Casu, Nazzaro u Parisi kif ukoll il-Mariscalli Oteri, Manfredi, Mazzolari u Vinci. Apprezzament imur ukoll għal Kmandant tal-Qawwiet Armati ta' Malta, il-Kurunell J. Spiteri, għall-koperazzjoni dejjem siewja matul dawn il-korsijiet.

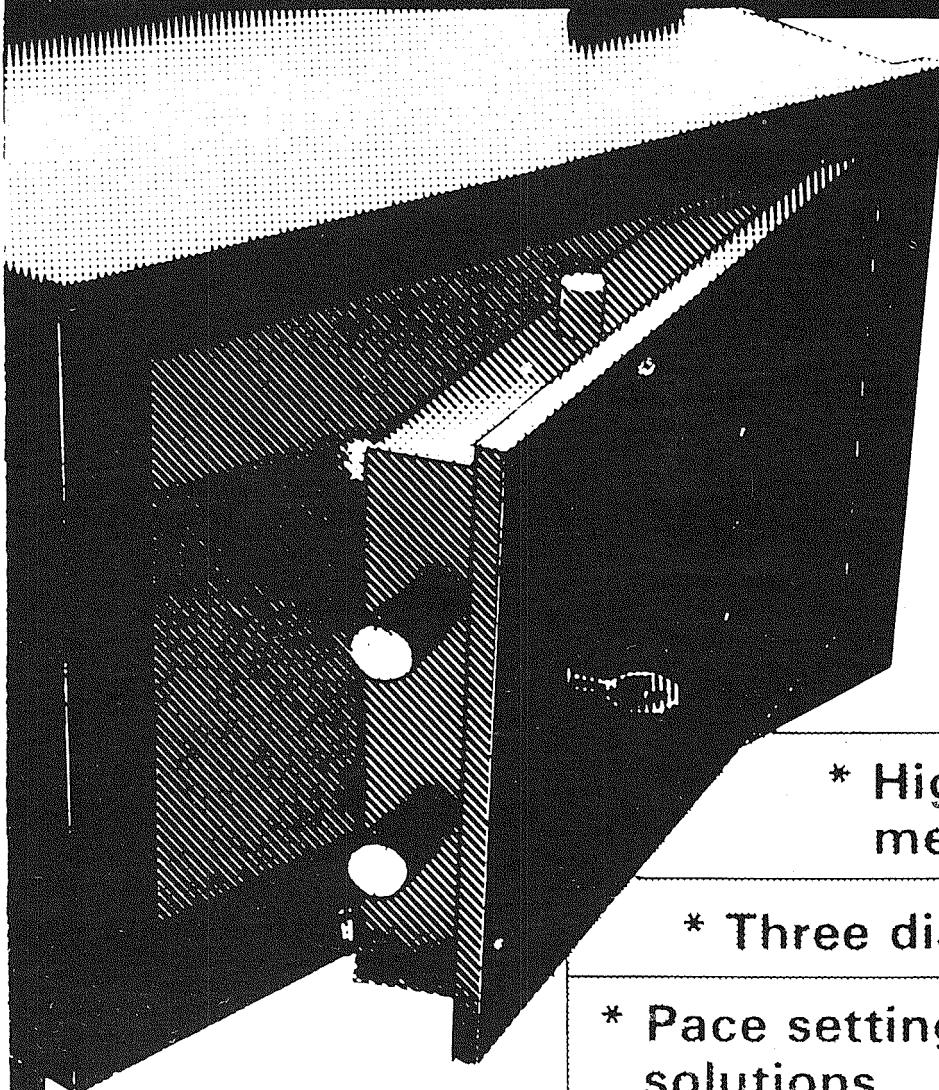


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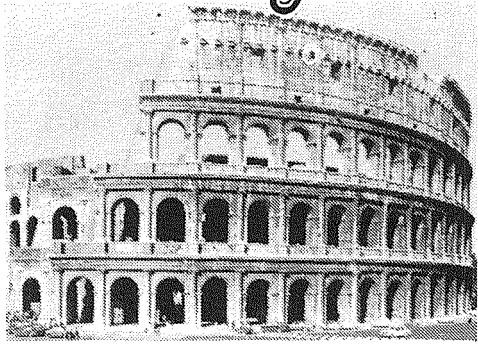
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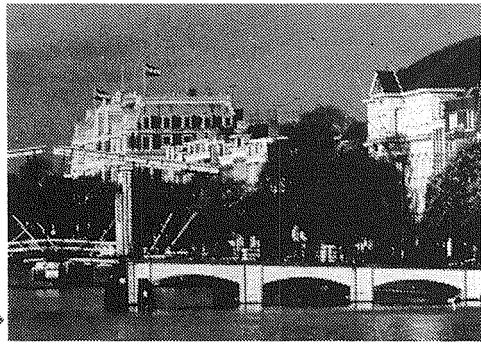
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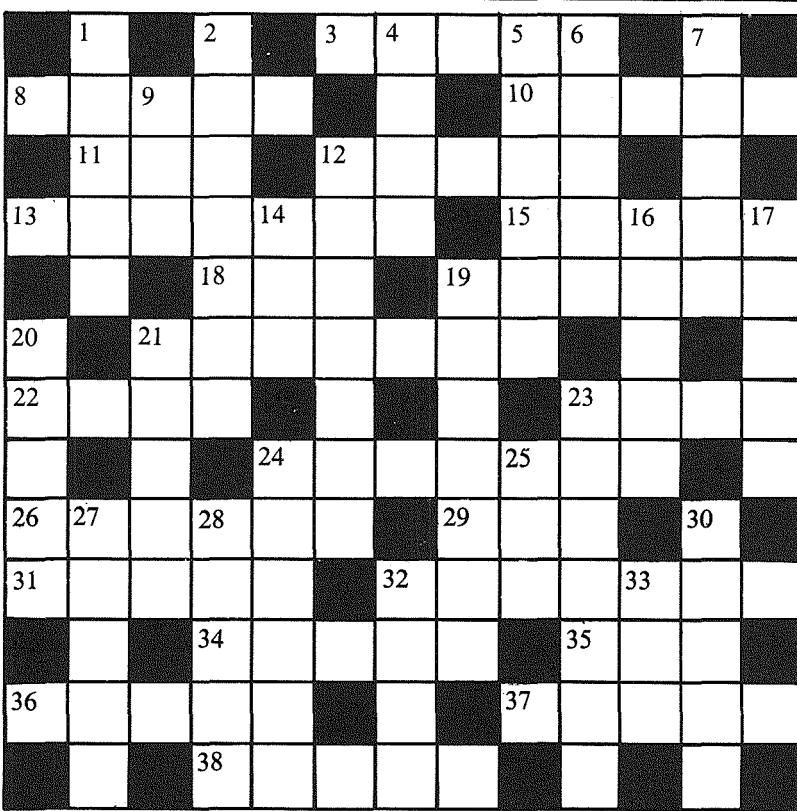
Crossword Kbar

MIMDUDIN:

- 3 Hadd ma jridha fuqu
- 8 Għasfur kbir
- 10 Ejja 'l-hawn
- 11 Nsibu l-ilma fih
- 12 Mhu tajjeb għal xejn
- 13 Żball kbir, jew tajiba għal ikel
- 15 Tajjeb biex tkun taf x'gej
- 18 Sliem
- 19 Kunjom
- 21 Wied go r-Raħal Ġdid
- 22 L-ewwel vittma
- 23 Kulur
- 24 Haġra prezjuża
- 26 Tiġri
- 29 Hares minn quddiem u minn wara
- 31 Tal-palk
- 32 Iebsa wisq biex nikluha?
- 34 Teħel mal-blat
- 35 Insibuh fl-Antik Testament
- 36 Saħħara fil-mitologija Griegi li nsibuha fil-ktieb ‘Come, dear boy, come’
- 37 L-ambjent li nghixu fih
- 38 Nagħti lura lil sidu

WEQFIN:

- 1 Induna b'xi haġa
- 2 Nimmiraw lejh
- 4 Ta' Noe?
- 5 Bini b'sular wieħed
- 6 Nsibuh go kull knisja
- 7 M'għadux arrestat
- 9 Kejjel
- 12 Fetaħ ghajnejh
- 14 ... Gardner, artista famuža
- 16 Parti minn subghajjh



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| 17 Użata ghall-irbit | diżże |
| 19 Kull referee għandu waħda | 27 Jitkaxxru ma' l-art |
| 20 Mhux f'sikku | 28 Kellu l-fidi |
| 21 Nieħdu gost biha, basta mhux ta' Ĝuda | 30 Kalkolu |
| 23 Piż zgħir ħafna | 32 Joħdu dawk li jmorr li l-Università |
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Crossword Tfal

MIMDUDIN

1. N-lbsuha f'saqajna
- 3.
3. Jaqbad l-ħallasafar
6. Bla tebgħa
7. Mhux għolja
8. Mghadux hawn
10. Għażżeġ
11. Gebla kbira

WEQFIN

1. Kaxxa żgħira
2. Qim
4. Nieklu ħafna meta jkollna dan
5. Frott iswed
7. u aħmar
8. Distanza
9. Lemħet

Ibagħtu r-riżultat ta' din il-Crossword. Ma hemmx għalfejn tigħi jaqtugħha l-istampa. Jingħataw kotba lir-rebbieha.



RIŻULTAT TAL-HARġA TA' QABEL

Mimdudin:

1. Lembuba
3. Qawsalla
6. Mia
7. Samat
8. Fis
10. Uri
11. Altru

Weqfin:

1. Laqqamt
2. Allat
4. Amman
5. Lia
7. Sifirt
8. Ful
9. Sir

Memorji tas-Sur

Godfrey Craig

Għal sbatax-il sena ġidimt fid-dipartiment tal-Pulizija, iżda mhux bħala membru tal-Korp. Kont għadni żagħżugħ ta' seba' u għoxrin sena meta kelli l-ewwel konnessjoni mal-membri tal-Pulizija tat-Traffiku u din il-konnessjoni spicċat meta kelli erba' u erbghin sena u matul dawn is-sbatax-il sena għamilta ta' Segretarju tat-Traffic Control Board meta dan il-Board gie rekonstitwit wara l-gwerra. Kont Kaxxier u Accountant tad-Dipartiment tal-Pulizija u għamilt hafna xogħol kemm ta' kontroll tal-petrol kif ukoll tal-faħam matul u wara l-gwerra u sakemm kien hemm bżonn. Iddejjaqt? Inqas xejn għax kont ħbieb mal-fizzjali u l-membri kollha tal-Korp u kont irrispettat daqs kemm kont nirrispetta hafna lis-superjuri u lil ta' tahti. Anzi kienet esperjenza kbira li għamlitli ġid għall-karriera tiegħi fis-Servizz Ċivili u gejt f'kuntatt ma' l-oqsma kollha tal-popolazzjoni. Din il-hajja tgħallmek daqs l-iskola. Mill-Pulizija mort l-Agrikoltura fejn kont ukoll Agent Direttur u wara sirt Assistant Secretary. Dak iż-żmien konna tnejn biss, jien u certu Sur Eric Furman.

Kif gie dan il-kuntatt twil mal-Pulizija? Meta dħahlet l-Italja fil-gwerra kontra tagħna, gie mwaqqaf Uffiċċju tal-Kontroll tal-petrol u żjut bħal pitrolju, u 'white oils', 'spirit' ecc. Il-Kap ta' dan l-Uffiċċju gie msejjah 'Director of Transport and Controller of Mineral Oils'. Dan kien Captain H.E. Lewis, CBE, RN u jien kelli nieħu ħsieb l-amministrazzjoni. Qajla kont naf fuq it-traffiku u mhux wisq iż-żejed minni l-Kap tad-dipartiment. Fuq kollox kellna ta' bil-fors nitolbu l-ghajnuna tal-Pulizija tat-Traffiku mhux biex niddirigu t-t traffiku, iżda biex nikkontrollaw il-konsum tal-

petrol. L-ewwel żewġ fizzjali tal-Pulizija li gew jagħtuna l-ghaj-nuna valida kienu Captain J. Muscat li kien is-Supintendent tat-Traffiku u l-Ispettur E. Brooks li kien jiehu ħsieb il-Mounted Police u l-Liċenzi. Il-Kaptan Muscat kien iż-żejjed Kapta ta' l-Armata milli Pulizija u kien wieħed minn dawk ta' mnihirhom 'il fuq u Mr. Brooks (għax hekk kien kulħadd isibu) kien wieħed li tgħidlu baħbuħ ftit iż-żejjed. Magħhom kien hemm is-Surgent Solazzo, il-Kuntistabbli Pace tal-Hamrun u l-Kuntistabbli No. 9 li wara l-gwerra emigra lejn l-Awstralja fejn miet. Dawn giebu magħhom esperjenza u kienu ta' għajjnuna shiħa sew biex nibnu r-'records' ta' kull vettura li kien hawn Malta u Ĝħawdex u nqassmuhom skond it-tip ta' vettura – 'Buses', 'taxis', 'self-drive', 'garage hire' ecc. Din il-biċċa xogħol kienet il-baži għal dak li kien ġej 'il quddiem biex nekonomizzaw kemm jiġi tkun il-petrol u dak il-petrol li konna nużaw, nużaw għan-necessità biss. Din l-operazzjoni ta' amministrazzjoni saret b'esperjenza kbira f'qasir żmien u bil-harsien tal-Pulizija li mingħajr l-assistenza tagħhom ma konna nagħmlu xejn.

Hawn irrid ngħid kelma ta' tifħir lill-Kummissarju Ġuże' Axixa li kien ta' l-akbar għajnuna għalina mhux biss fil-bidu tal-formazzjoni tad-dipartiment, iżda matul il-gwerra kollha. Dan iġibni biex ngħid li l-uffiċċju kien South Street fi tliet kmamar fil-Great Britain Hotel sakemm dan gie mwaqqqa' mnejn morna x-xelter taħbi il-Palazz tal-Gvernatur. Sadanittant Capt. Muscat kien spicċa minn magħna u xogħlu hadtu jien. Ftit taz-żmien wara, mill-Belt ħarġu d-dipartiment

menti kollha u aħna ħriġna wkoll u morna d-Depot tal-Pulizija f'Santa Venera fejn fi ftit żmien tellajna uffiċċju u għamilna organizzazzjoni tajba hafna u effiċċenti ferm. Hemm konna ta' bil-fors nithalltu mal-membri tal-Korp ta' kull grad. Wara Capt. Muscat gie magħna s-Supintendent Michael Kissau – u dan dam perjodu mhux hażin, iżda ma setax jikklikkja u wara gie s-Supintendent John Xuereb li wara kien laħaq Deputat Kummissarju. Mas-Sur Xuereb ill-liaison mexa tajjeb ferm. Kellu karattru mill-ahjar, kien jaf l-afarrijiet sewwa hafna u kien ta' għajjnuna kbira f'hafna f'diskussionijiet fuq ix-xogħol. Is-Sur Xuereb kien assistit mill-Ispettur Alfred Lanzon li kien ukoll pulit u mitikoluz fix-xogħol tiegħu li kien jaf tajjeb hafna. Fil-fatt dawn it-tnejn għamlu karriera sabiħa fis-servizz tal-Pulizija. Karattru iehor li kellna magħna kien is-Surgent Maġġur Manfre. Daħka helwa imma ma kontx tkun taf wisq x'qed jagħmel – kellu metodi tiegħu kif jaħdem iżda kien karattru gustuż. Is-Surgent Solazzo kien twil u preżentabbi. Kien jitkellem tajjeb bl-Ingliz u bil-figura tiegħu biss kien jimponi dixxiplina. Kien jobdi u rispettuż.

Matul dan iż-żmien kelli wkoll staff civili li kienu tajba hafna u haddiema. Biex insemmi tnejn għadhom ħajjin, wieħed gie minn Bank u l-ieħor gie minn Bank iehor, John Aquilina u Ugo Portelli.

Meta spicċa d-direttur tat-Trasport komplejt għal xi żmien nagħmilha jien, għan-nom tal-Kummissarju, għal dak li kien jirrigwardja petrol u żjut u malli kien regħa' twaqqa' it-Traffic Control Board kont nagħmilha ta' Segretarju. Dan ta' bilfors gabli iż-żejjed kuntatt mill-qrib mal-gradi kollha tal-Pulizija, mill-

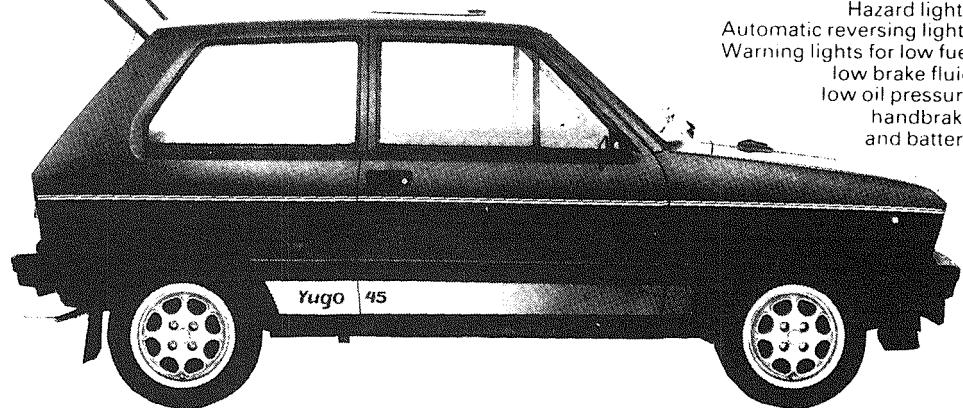
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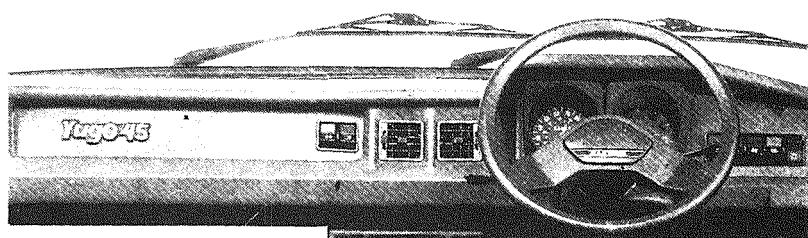


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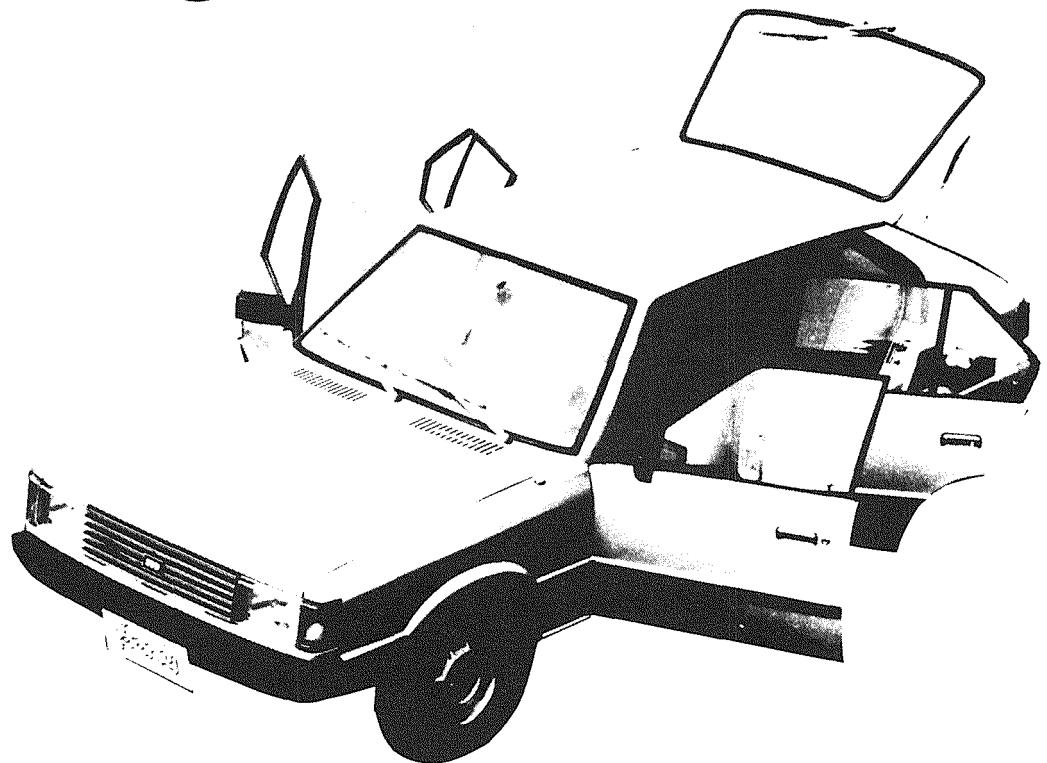


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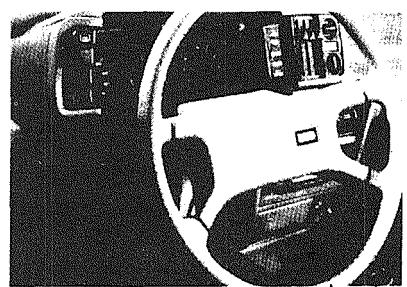
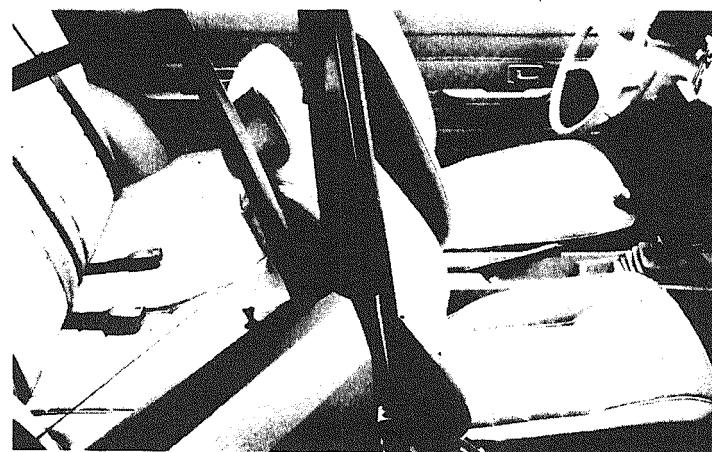
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kbir saz-żgħir. Hdimit taħt is-Sur Axisa li spieċa fl-1947, taħt il-Kummissarju Joe Ullo, is-Sur Albert Grech u s-Sur George Cachia. Is-Sur V. de Gray kelli kuntatt miegħu mill-qrib hafna meta kien Superintendent tat-Traffiku u meta kien Ajutant. Matul l-istess żmien kelli kuntatt kontinwu mas-Sur Alfred Lanzon li wara lahaq Deputat Kummissarju taħt is-Sur de Gray. Ma' dawn kollha hdimit u anke hadt xi grokk fil-Mess li fih kien iservi s-Sargent Calleja li miet ftit taż-żmien ilu u li ritratt tiegħu deher fl-ahħar ħarġa ta' Il-Pulizija. Li ma nafx hu jekk qatrx irnexxieli nipperswadi lis-Sur Ull (kif kien magħruf) li jieħu xi grokk.

Xogħol kbir li ħdimna hafna fuqu fi żmien is-Sur Xuereb bħala Superintendent kienet l-amalgamazzjoni tal-buses. Niftakar bħala membru tat-Traffic Control Board lis-Sur Reggie Miller, illum mejjet, li ried jgħaq-qad il-buses ta' Malta kollha f'kumpanija waħda u li jien kif ukoll is-Sur Xuereb waqt li konna naqblu fil-principju, bl-esperjenza li kellna (li s-Sur Miller ma kellux) konna rajna d-diffikultajiet enorġi biex dan il-proġett jiġi attwat. Ma nixtieq li ndejjaq il-qarrejja bid-dettalji izda jien kont għamilhom bil-miktub f'memorandum li kien intbagħat lill-Prim Ministro, it-Tabib Boffa għall-konsultazzjoni tal-Kabinett u dan il-memorandum kien ap-pruvahuli l-Assistent Kummissarju (wara Kummissarju) is-Sur Bertie Grech u dan il-proġett qatt ma seħħ. Mas-Sur Xuereb hdimit ukoll ir-rivisjoni tal-'fares' tal-buses ta' kull linja. Kienet biċċa xogħol kbira għax ibbażajna l-fares kollha fuq 'fare stages' u fuq sistema razzjonali. Dan ukoll kelli niktbu f'memorandum 'ħalli-Kabinett biex nispjega rr-raquni, qabel xejn, ghaliex kien hemm il-ħtiega ra' reviżjoni. Barra minn dan ridt nagħti rr-raquni għala mhux kull linja kellha bżonn żjieda mhux daqs l-ohra u l-ghala kollu jkun hemm spissjar ta' departures u żjieda fil-ħin ta' l-ahħar buses mill-irħula għall-kumdità tal-poplu u

nuqqas ta' standing passengers. Dan gie addottat kif gie sottomm. Tibdila radikal i-fl-istorja tas-servizz tal-buses kienet it-taqliba u fejn kien hemm buses zejda f'uħud mil-linji li gew trasferiti fuq linji fejn kien hemm in-nuqqas. Dan il-proġett kien gie opponut minn uħud mill-owners bis-saħħha kollha, izda gie implementat. Il-kontroll tat-traffiku għall-passiggieri kien, dak iż-żmien, serju u t-tluq tal-buses kien spiss. Il-buses kienu iżjed indaf u l-kontroll fuq is-sewwieqa kien tajjeb.

Ix-xogħol tiegħi kien igibli ta' spiss kuntatt mal-kapijiet speċjalment meta d-Depot kien għadu f'Santa Venera, fejn kien jiġi ta' spiss il-Prim Ministro Boffa u l-Ministro tat-Teżor Dr. Colombo li kien jieħu gost jilgħab xi logħba Chess. Meta mhux assorbit fiċ-Chess, jiddiskuti dejjem. Niftakar fit-22 ta' April 1948 meta saret is-serqa 'l-kbira tad-Dockyard. L-Officers' Mess kien qis u Operations Room tal-gwerra u l-Ufficċjali għolja tal-Pulizija kollha u xi tliet Ministri wkoll, kollha jgħidu tagħhom u dan għal-jumejn shan sakemm wieħed li kien ha parti fis-serqa stess u li kien arrestat, ha l-Proklama, u nkixef kollox. Żewġ affarijiet kienu belħuni – waħda l-ghala tawh il-proklama lil dak li digħi kien f'idejn is-C.I.D. u l-ohra meta wara li nstab il-biċċa l-kbira tal-flus, it-tfifxija għall-kumplament tal-flus giet 'called off' – Imbierek min sabhom.

Niftakar l-istrike tad-Dockyard għax kelli naħseb biex bħala l-Accountant tal-Pulizija, għal-hafna affarijiet u nhabbat il-bibien tat-Teżor għal flus li ma kienew provdu fl-estimi. Kien f'dan l-istorju li l-karozza privata ta' wieħed mill-fizzjali tal-Pulizija giet mitfugħha l-bahar.

Biex ma ntawwalx iżżejjed sejkollu nullimita ruħi għall-avvenimenti importanti hafna u għall-avvenimenti anqas importanti imma li tani hafna xogħol. Dan ta' l-ahħar kien it-trasferiment tad-Depot tal-Pulizija minn Santa Venera għall-Furjana fejn hu llum u li kien l-Isptar Centrali.

Din kienet ordni tal-Prim Ministro biex issir malajr u f'kemm ili nikteb dawn il-memorji tiegħi kellha ssir din l-operazzjoni. Dan il-għarr kien sar f'jumejn u wara għimgħa kulħadd kien f'postu, kulħadd għal-xogħlu. Haga li ma nista' ninxa qatt hija r-riħa ta' medicina li ma setgħet tmur qatt mill-kamra fein kien hemm l-ispiżjar. Żbajniha kemm żbajniha u r-riħa baqgħet hemm.

Avveniment ieħor kbir li għad għandi memorji sewwa tiegħu huwa ż-żjara f'Malta fl-1955 tal-mistieden tal-Gvern ta' dak iż-żmien, is-Sur W.A. Muller C.M.G. Inspector General of Colonial Police. Dan gie Malta f'Meju 1955 u wara li kien kellem il-Prim Ministro l-Onor. D. Mintoff, kellem lil kull min kċċu x'jaqsam ma' kull fergħa tal-Korp. Barra mill-Ufficċjali għolja, huwa kellem lid-delegati ta' l-Ispetturi, tas-Surgenti Maġguri, tas-Surgenti u tal-Kunċċiabbiżi u għamel rapport dwar dak li ntqal ilu.

Dan Mr Muller biddel il-wieċċ kollu tal-Pulizija u żewġ affarijiet li kienu aċċettati b'ferħ kbir mill-membri tal-Korp kienu t-tibdil ta' l-uniformiżiet li kienu bl-ġħonq magħluu u li gew kif inhuma llum, u ż-żjeda fis-salarju tal-membri tal-Korp kollu. Barra minn dan, Muller għamel hafna rakkmandazzjoniżiet siewja oħra fuq hafna lmenti li kellhom il-Pulizija u wħud minn dawn kienu gew aċċettati u attwati.

Jien semmejt żewġ avvenimenti ta' importanza kbira u t-tielet wieħed kien il-Johnson Commission dwar is-salarji tal-Korp kollu. Din il-kummissjoni kienet giet fl-1960 u li spicċat ix-xogħol tagħha fil-25 ta' Jannar 1961. F'dan iż-żmien jien ma kontx iż-żjed mal-Pulizija għax f'Novembru 1955 jiena mort fl-Auberge d'Aragon bħala Assistant Secretary iż-żda xorta waħda kelli x'naq-sam hafna max-xogħol li kien ġie jagħmel Mr. Elwood, membru ta' din il-Kummissjoni, fuq l-istruttura gdida tas-salarji tal-membri taċ-Ċivil kollu. Ĝejt ukoll imsejjah biex nagħti x-xieħda tiegħi quddiem il-Kummissjoni. Ir-rapport ta' din il-Kummissjoni għamel hafna rakkmandazzjoniżiet siewja u s-salarji kollha tal-Pulizija gew miżjud sostanzjalment.



idoqqu siegħa lejl, dehru resqin lejn il-pjazza, sebghin kuntistabbi, kollha bil-lembuba f'idejhom, u mgħejjunin mis-suldati Inglizi, bdew ixejru jdejhom biex iferrxu n-nies.

Dawk il-boloh li minflok ma tferrxu bdew bħal dimostrazzjoni ostili kontra l-pulizija, gew arrestati. B'kollox kienu ġabru 74 ruh, fosthom il-baruni Baskal Testaferrata Abela, ta' Gomerino, u Vincenzo Falzon, l-avukat Calcedonio Grungo, l-avukat John Seller, Manwel Caruana, Paolo Mitrovich, Gioacchino Cernacchio, Paolo Naudi, Filippo Balbi, Vincenzo Fabri u Edmund Goodeanough.

Huma u għaddejjin bihom bi skorta tal-pulizija minn quddiem San Ģwann, il-baruni lema ħill-konti Sant Fournier, u qallu bit-Taljan, addio, addio, Lazzaro (hekk kien jismu l-konti), sono arrestato, ricordati di me. Imbagħad x'hin daħlu fil-Klitanija daħal ukoll Sedley. Il-baruni resaq lejh u qallu li wieħed kuntistabbi kien hataflu l-bastun minn idejh u hadlu, u x'xin kien mar jirraporta għand is-surgent, dan kien hadu bl-gherra u insulentuk ukoll.

Imbagħad tellgħuhom fis-swali

ta' fuq, fejn kien hemm l-imħallef Baskal Gravagna.

L-ġħada fil-ġħodu l-pulizija resqithom quddiem il-Qorti tal-Magistrati, wieħed wieħed, mix-lja fuq distorbu u kienu ddis-turbaw il-paci pubblika, bivjolenza.

Il-magistrat, niftakru li kappell ma jmejjilx l-ieħor, beda biex jistaqsi lill-prosekużżjoni jekk kellhiex xieħda kontra l-imputati. Naturalment il-pulizija ma setgħetx ittella' dik il-ħlejjaq ta' nies li kienu fil-pjazza. U għal-hekk il-magistrat iddikjara li ma kienx hemm fuqniex jitkellmu, u weħlu minnufi.

Iżda minn dawk kollha li kienu tressqu quddiem il-Qorti, tnejn minnha għaddew kumpilazzjoni, Mitrovich u Cerignano, u weħlu ftit xelini multa.

Xi ġimħatejn wara, il-pulizija ressqet ukoll lit-tabib Felice Calleja mixli li kien ħabat għas-suldati waqt li kienu qed jaqdu dmiri jippej, u weħel ħmistax-il għurnata priġunerija. Ressqu wkoll lil wieħed Giovanni Borg, mixli li kien hu li kien tefā' dak is-sieħ u kien korra lill-ispettur; weħel sentejn ħabs b'xogħol iebe.

Il-gazzetti ta' dak iż-żmien sabu dwar x'hiex jiktibu biex

jimlew il-ġurnal tagħhom. Holu stejjer, xerrdu miġbħeda, implikaw nies, u tgħidix x'ma qalux kontra l-gvern. Dak l-avviż ma kienx validu, qalu huma, għax mhux biss ma kienx ħareg fil-gazzetta uffiċċali, imma ma kienx ghaddha, kif kien jixraq, mill-Kunsill tal-Gvern.

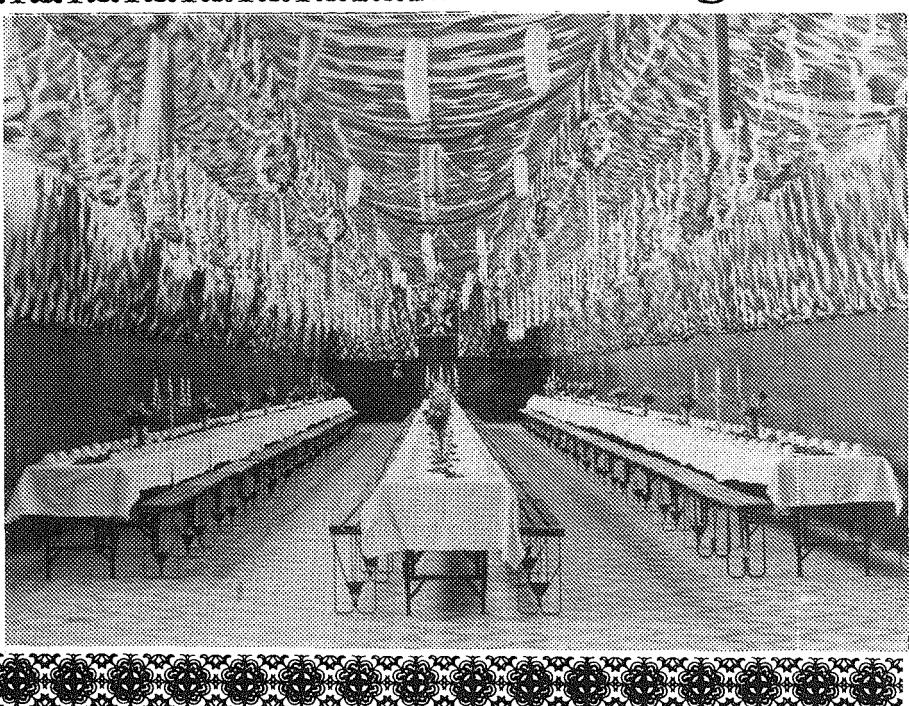
It-tixwix ma jonqos qatt, u jinxtered l-aktar imħabba x'għamla jpingu il-ġurnalista, ta' kafkaf kemm ikunu.

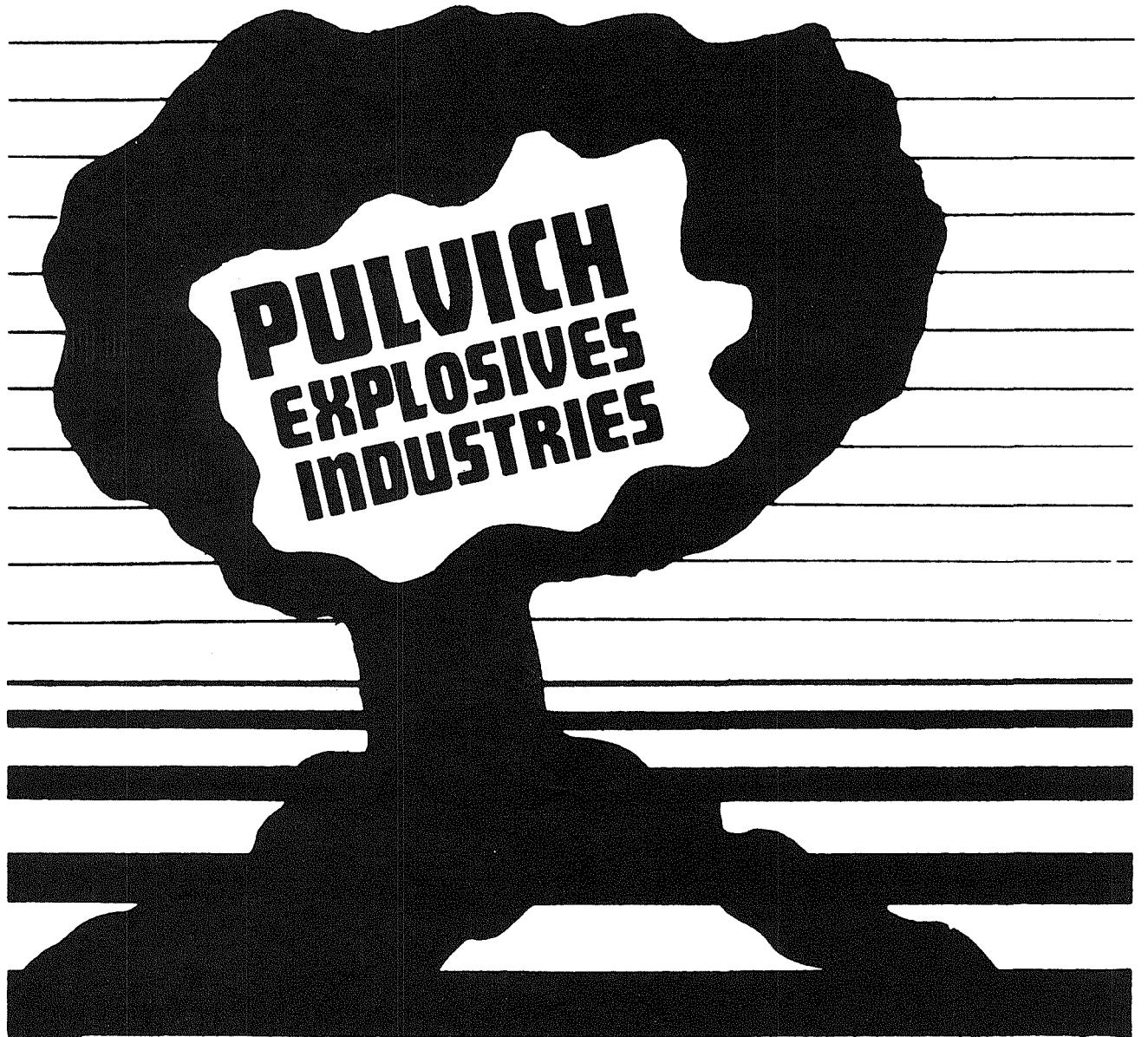
Il-ġraja kollha, kif kien mistenni, marret ukoll Londra, u wara li giet eżaminata sew il-kwistjoni, is-Segretarju tal-Istat, William Gladstone, il-famus statista Inglijż, kiteb lill-Gvernatur u fissiru s-sogħba tiegħu li ġraw dawk l-inċidenti. Qallu li f'okkażjonijiet bħal dawn għandu juža l-prudenza, u li ma kellhiex tirrepeti ruħha ġraja bħalha fil-gejjieni.

Donnu li l-Gvernatur, ta' puritan li kien, ried li tgħaddi tiegħu, u kiteb lill-Isqof ta' Malta biex jistaqsieh il-fehma tiegħu dwar il-qdusija tal-Ħadd. Imma Francesco Saverio Caruana, ma kkommettiex ruhu, u wiegeb li billi fl-imghoddxi kien isir hekk, kelli jithalla kollox kif kien bħal dari.

Mill-Imgħoddi

Għal din il-ħarga tal-Milied għażilna ritratt ta' sala fil-Kwartieri Generali tal-Pulizija fi Fleur-de-Lys imżejnejna għall-party tal-Milied tat-tfal tal-membri tal-Korp. Wieħed josserva kemm hi mżejnejna sabiħ din is-sala kif ukoll l-arrangament tal-imwejjed. Wieħed josserva wkoll il-kikkri għat-te jew xi xorb shun iehor li kienu jingħataw it-tfal. Dan ir-ritratt x'aktarx meħud fil-bidu tal-hamsinijiet. Nistieden lil dawk li għandhom xi nformazzjoni dwar il-parties tat-tfal tal-membri tal-Korp li kienu jsiru f'dawk iż-żmenijiet biex jiktbulna.





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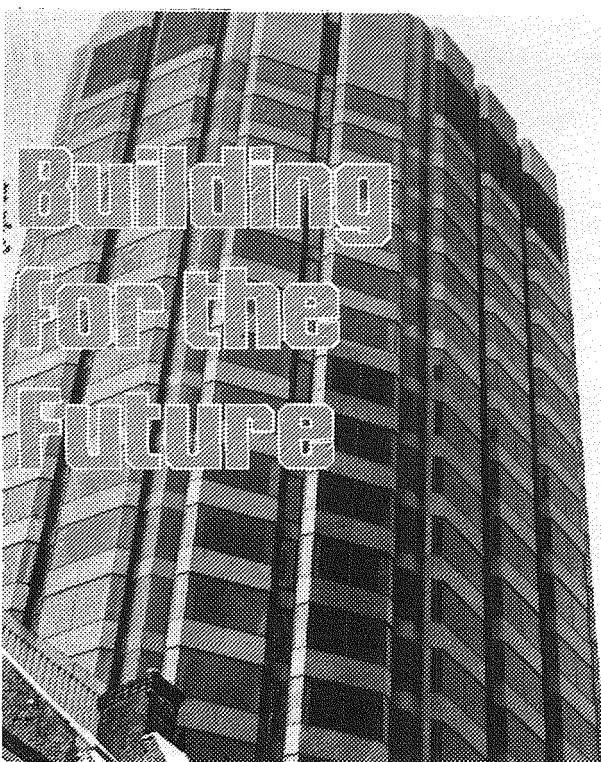
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Aspects of Management

Management is what managers do. A manager is someone thought by his organisation to be so busy that he needs others to help him, people over whom he has authority and who are accountable to him. But how he goes about his managerial work must vary according to the sort of man he is, all managers are different, and his managerial environment. Every management situation involves a different combination of variables. No matter at what level a manager works, while he is controlling and directing the work of others he is performing management functions, and his aim is to accomplish the planned work objectives of his organisation as efficiently as possible. Indeed, the central objective of any organisation must to be maximise the long-term return on resources which it employs.

It is not always possible to draw a definite line between the various levels of management, but broadly speaking top management is responsible for major planning and policy decisions and middle management for translating these decisions into effective action. To enable this to be done, specific work, authority and responsibility are delegated to the middle manager who carries out his functions within the framework of this delegation.

The aims of a manager are:

- i) to achieve an objective
- ii) to make the best use of the men, money, materials and other resources placed at his disposal;
- iii) to ensure the future.

The functions of managing people are performed in order to get more profitable and efficient work accomplished, and may be expressed in many different ways. It is convenient, however, to group the functions under the following main headings:

FORECASTING AND PLANNING

Where possible a manager looks to future work re-

By Mr. John de Gray

quirements by inference from and interpretation of facts that have been accumulated from the past, for example, previous year's workload, manpower utilisation, costs, etc. A manager analyses past and present trends, makes sound predictions and anticipates events, he selects from various alternatives, but must remain flexible to change when required. He must convert the broad planning and policy decisions of top management into detailed plans within his own sphere of staff and work responsibility, and this involves setting objectives, forecasting activities, programming the sequence of activities to be followed in meeting objectives, and scheduling these programmed activities.

ORGANISING AND CO-ORDINATING

This involves the process of identifying and grouping the work to be performed, defining and delegating responsibility and authority, and co-ordinating staff so that they work effectively together in accomplishing set objectives. A manager allots work priorities and allocates duties between supervisors and may recommend changes in organisation for greater efficiency. He must maintain harmony and balance so as to ensure unity of effort by his staff.

DIRECTING AND CONTROLLING

Directing is the process of maintaining an atmosphere in which sound decisions are taken. Decisions by a manager determ-

ing the direction of effort of his staff, and by consulting with those who will be affected by a decision, by resolving conflict between different points of view, by effective communication with his staff, he makes decisions leading to co-ordinated action by all.

Controlling is the process of ensuring that plans are being properly executed. It involves the setting of standards and procedures, measurement of performance, corrective actions and all measures necessary for adequate control of work, quality, cost. A manager must compare actual with planned performance.

COMMANDING

This is the process of selecting (within the manager's competence) placing and training personnel needed to meet the objectives of the organisation. It involves the fullest utilisation of the personal skills of staff, and the extension of those skills by planned training. A manager is required to stimulate and lead personnel to improve their performance and to develop themselves. By effective staff control and good staff relations a manager aims to promote the agreement and co-operation from his staff. Commanding also involves the delegation of responsibility and authority from superiors to subordinates for effective execution, and motivating staff to improve their performance.

ASSESSING AND REPORTING

While controlling the performance of his section to ensure that targets are being achieved and that standards are met, a manager is required to report to top management on the work for which he is responsible. This is done by progress reports, special reports and annual reports. He must also make reports on staff under his control and their performance by means of personal reports.

L-ITTRI TAGHKOM

Qrajt b'sodisfazzjon l-Editorjal tal-ħarġa ta' "Il-Pulizija" Lulju/Awissu 1983 u qanqalli memorji li nieħu gost niftakar fihom, u bi pjacir nurihom u nfakkahom lil tant pulizija ħbieb tiegħi kull meta jkoll okkażjoni niltaqa' magħhom u nitkellem magħħom dwar il-passat.

Memoria sabiħa hija dik li teħodni lura f'Meju 1977 u tfakkarni fl-ewwel Bord Editorjali li kien ta l-ħajja lil dan il-magazine tagħna l-Pulizija. Dak in-nhar kellna l-ghajjnuna u l-facilitatiet kollha mill-Kummissarju prezent, Dr. L. Pullicino, li dak iż-żmien kien Assistant Kummissarju, u l-approvazzjoni għall-publikazzjoni tal-magazine mill-Kummissarju, dak iż-żmien is-Sur E. Tonna. Irid infakkar ukoll il-Bord Editorjali u nibda mill-ex-Supritendent E. Spiteri, l-ex-Spettur A. Debattista, l-ex-Sargent Maġġur A. Camilleri, u lis-Sargenti Maġġuri, dak iż-żmien Surgenti, F. Debattista u E. Schembri, u lis-Segretarju ta' l-Association ta' dak iż-żmien P.C. E. Attard.

Flimkien, dan il-Bord Editorjali hdmna u stinkajna għal sīgħat twal anke mill-hin tal-mistrieh tagħna biex, għall-ewwel darba, il-Pulizija jkollha l-magazine tagħha. Kellna wkoll kwist-tionijiet anke bejnietna iżda dawn saru sforz il-ħiegħa u l-entużżejja muu li kellna biex naraw succcess fil-publikazzjoni ta' dan il-magazine.

Illum li dak iż-żmien għadda, xorta waħda għadu ta' sodisfazzjon għalija u nixtieq li għadni ngħix f'dak l-ambjent. Jiena nawgura lill-Pulizija godda biex jeħdu aktar interess u jkomplu fuq dak li sabu u jtebjuh.

M. MARSHALL.

PREZENTAZZJONI TA' SETT ARMI U INSIGNIA TAL-PULIZIJA

F'dawn l-ahħar xħur, il-membershi tal-Pulizija li jitilgħu wara rиżenja jew għeluq is-servizz tagħ-hom fil-Korp qed jingħataw sett emblemi tal-Pulizija f'kaxxa li wieħed jista' jzomm bħala tifkira għas-servizz tiegħi fil-Korp. Dan



Mix-xellug għal-lemin: Sergeant Maġġur Debattista, ex-Sargent Maġġur M. Marshall, ex-Sargent Maġġur A. Camilleri, ex-Supt. E. Spiteri, P.S. 649 M. Saliba, Sergeant Maġġur E. Schembri, P.C. E. Attard u l-ex-Spettur A. Debattista.

kien gest sabiħ li żgur li gie mil-quqħ minn kulħadd. Nixtieq, iżda, nagħmel suggeriment biex l-arma tal-beritta li tifforma parti minn dan is-sett tkun l-istess arma li l-pulizija għal bosta snin ikun għarr fuqu. Barra minn dan ikun tassew gest sabiħ li kieku dawn l-armi tal-pulizija kellhom jiġu pprezentati minn xi ufficjal għoli tal-Korp li flimkien ma' dan is-sett armi, jippreżenta wkoll iċ-ċertifikat ta' tmiem ta' servizz.

Minnijiet tax-xogħol tal-Pulizija

Wara s-sejħa li saret għall-ittri mingħand il-qarrejja nixtieq nistieden lil shabi jiktbu u jagħtu l-vadut tagħhom dwar il-hinnejet godda tax-xogħol tagħna l-pulizija li jaħdmu x-Shift li b'sodisfazzjon għalija u certament għal hafna oħrajn illum qeqhdin mill-5 a.m. sas-1 p.m.; mis-1 p.m. sad-9 p.m. u mid-9 p.m. sal-5 a.m.

Għidit li naqbel ma' dawn il-hinnejet u se ngħid ir-raġunijiet tiegħi filwaqt li nistieden lil shabi li forsi ma jaqblux ma' dawn il-hinnejet godda biex jagħtu l-vadut tagħhom f'dan il-magazine. Nibda bil-'first watch'. Nahseb

hadd ma jaqbel li għandek tqum f'xit-tlieta ta' fil-ghodu biex toħrog għax-xogħol, u li torqod siegħa żejda u tqum għal madwar l-erba' ta' fil-ghodu huwa ahjar minn xit-tlieta. Naturalment wara dan il-watch trid tispicċa fis-1 p.m. li żgur li mhux se jkun ta' xkiel għal hin ta' l-ikel.

Dwar is-'second watch', fl-opinjoni tiegħi huwa ahjar li dan ikun fis-1 p.m. u mhux f'nofs in-nhar għar-ragħuni li qabel toħrog għal dan il-watch trid tiekol u li tiekol f'xil-ħdax ta' fil-ghodu jieni ma naqbilx magħha.

Dwar in-'night watch' nista' nghid li dan ikun fi x'hin ikun ftit iħobbu jaħdmu, imma dan naturalment irid isir. Jiena ta' l-opinjoni li ahjar jibda mid-9 p.m. għad li hemm l-iżvantagg li tispicċa siegħa wara, jiġifieri fil-5 p.m. Veru li hemm l-iżvantagg li wieħed jista' jkollu jattendi l-Qorti fid-9 ta' fil-ghodu, jiġifieri wara xi tllet sigħat ta' mistrieh. Hawn nistaqṣi, għaliex dan naturalment isir b'arrangement minn qabel.

Għal darba oħra nistieden lil shabi jiktbu dwar dawn il-hinnejet tax-xogħol.

Mill-Għaqda Pensjonanti tal-Pulizija

Il-Fotografija

(minn ex-PC 127)

ANGELO GRASSO

L-arti tal-fotografija hija mitqiesa bħala delizzju, kif ukoll, bla dubju, hija ‘business’. Imma aħna fil-każ tagħna, ejjew nitkel-lmu fuqha mill-att ta’ delizzju għaliex aħna dak li jinteressana.

Fil-fotografija wieħed isib delizzju ta’ interess partikulari, għaliex bħala arti thallik dejem għatxan li tkun trid taf aktar, u aktar ma tara xi ritratti li tkun ġibid inti stess, aktar thossox sodisfatt b'dak li tkun għamilt. Imma bħal kull delizzju ieħor, inti tkun trid tikseb xi camera aħjar jew xi “flash gun” mill-aqwa biex iħallilek riżultat aħjar. Għaliex dak hu d-delizzju, tfittex dejjem il-perfezzjoni.



AVVIŻ LILL-

PENSJONANTI

Għadna l-pjaċir ninfurmaw lil-dawk il-pensjonanti li jixtiequ jakkwistaw sett armi tal-Pulizija li llum qed jingħata wieħed bħalu bħala tifkira lil dawk li jirtiraw mis-servizz, li jistgħu jagħmlu dan billi jagħmlu talba bil-miktub lill-Editur ta’ dan il-magazin. Dan is-sett armi jista’ jiġi akkwistat għall-ħlas ta’ Lm9.



Jgħidu li l-fotografija ġġenek bis-sbuhija tagħha, u dan tarah meta jirnexxilek tigbed ritratt li tkun qbadu spontanju. Il-veru dilettant qatt ma jħalli l-camera twarrab minn taħt ghajnejh għaliex dan bil-ħsieb biss li jista’ jkun hemm xi xena partikolari li tinċerta dak il-ħin u huwa ma jkollux dik il-facilità li jiġibidha, tifni bil-ġħali.

Darba rrexxieli nara ritratt li tieħed b'kumbinazzjoni minn wieħed dilettant. Dan inzerta kien il-Bavaria u hemm qalb il-foresti jinsab palazz kollu rham abjad. Dak il-ħin inzerta l-ajru mimli shab iswed, imma bla ħadd jaf kif, dak l-ħsieb icċarrat u raġġ ta’ dawl laqtet dan il-palazz abjad karti. Hemm trid tara l-effett li kellu kemm kien sabiħ!

Araw kemm hija sabiħa l-fotografija. Illum hawn din il-“craze” kollha biex nisparaw fuq l-ħasafar, imma meta inti jkollok camera f’idejk, u minflok li lil dak l-ħasfur ma titfagħlu c-ċomb, tiġibidlu ritratti waqt li dak ikun qiegħed ipaxxik bi ġmielu, naħseb li jkollok sodisfazzjon. Tassew li inti tkun ħlejt ħafna ħin iddur madwar dik is-sigra biex ma tagħml ix-xsejjehes u l-anqas tieċċaqlaq għaliex jista’ jtir, imma l-aqwa li tkun ħadlu ritratt!

Xi veduta sabiħa tolqot ukoll ġħajnejn il-fotografu, issa li aktar ma jibda jgħaddi z-żmien isir aktar espert ta’ kif għandu jagħzel pożizzjoni, u aktar kif u mnejn għandu jiġibed ir-ritratti. Għaliex wieħed irid jiftakar li, bħal pittura, ir-ritratt fiex il-poża tiegħu li biex jisseqja ħi ritratt artistiku jrid ikun miġbud artistikament... u naħseb li dan hu l-iskop principali tad-dilettant.

Il-veru fotografu jibda u jispicċa r-ritratt huwa. Ma jkunx irid jafdah f’idejn ħaddieħor għal-dak li hu žvilupp ghax kif jaf jieħu ħsiebu hu, ma jieħu ħsiebu hadd. U meta jara r-riżultat tax-xogħol tiegħu, ikollu raġun biex jifrah.

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**ALFRED DEBATTISTA
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Wara l-introduzzjoni fil-harga ta’ Settembru/Ottubru ta’ “IL-PULIZIJA”, imiss illum li nagħtu ħarsa ħafifa lejn l-attivitàjet li l-Ġhaqda tagħna torga-nizza għall-pensjonanti u l-familji tagħom.

Minbarra x-xogħol generali tal-Kunsill, għandna sotto-kumitati li jorganizzaw attivitajiet importanti bħal ma huma l-Kummissjoni Entertainment u l-Kummissjoni Morda.

Filwaqt li ta’ l-ewwel tieħu ħsieb in-naħha rikrejattiva u torganizza ħargiet soċċali u rikrejattivi, Coffee Mornings, u Tombolas fost oħra, il-Kummissjoni Morda għandha funzjoni ferm utili u minbarra li żżomm kuntatt dwar il-bżonnijiet tal-membri anżjani morda, tagħmel ukoll zjarat lil dawn shabna morda kemm f’darhom kif ukoll fi spartajiet u istituti.

Pass importanti f’dan il-kummissjoni Morda kienet il-hatra tas-Sur Joe M. Borg fil-Welfare Committee tal-Ministeru li taħtu jaqgħu s-Servizzi Soċċali li permezz ta’ din il-hatra żgur li l-benefiċċċi għall-membri ta’ l-Ġhaqda jistgħu jiddu.

Din il-Kummissjoni Morda kellha wkoll laqgħa mal-Ministru tas-Saħħa dwar tal-biex f'dan irrigward.

Fost l-attivitàjet importanti li l-Ġhaqda kellha riċentement, kien hemm il-Korteo fuq l-Oqbra tal-Pulizija fic-Čimiterju ta’ l-Addolorata u l-Konferenza Generali li dwarhom nagħtikom tagħrif fil-harga li jmiss.

Ta’ min ifakk li l-Uffiċċju principali ta’ l-Ġhaqda sejjjer jerġa’ jkun fil-Police Social Club, fejn il-Kummissarju tal-Pulizija għoġġbu jiprovdilna post adat-tat.

Fuq in-naħha l-oħra ta’ din il-pagna għandna l-ewwel minn sensiela dwar delizzji ta’ xi wħud mill-membri ta’ l-Ġhaqda tagħna.



GHAT-TFAL TAGHNA

Għeżeżej Tfal,

Bla dubju ta' xejn l-aktar ħażja li nitkellmu dwarha matul dawn il-jiem, hija l-festa tal-Milied. Din il-festa tnissel fina ferħ speċ-jali, l-aktar fost it-tfal, li jkunu jistenneħha b'herqa kbira. Hekk kif jidhol ix-xahar ta' Dicembru nibdew naħsbu u nippreparaw halli niċċelebraw din il-festa mill-ahjar li nistgħu. Hafna huma dawk li sa minn ġranet qabel il-Milied jarmaw preseppi ta' kull daqs u forma gewwa djarhom. Dawn il-preseppi, miżgħuda b'għadd ta' pasturi u nagħaq, huma l-ghors tat-tfal kollha u jattiraw l-attenzjoni anki tal-kbar. Oħrajin iżejnu djarhom bi streamers, bzieżaqq, ecc., li jkommplu jdaħħlu fl-ispettu ferrieħi ta' dawn il-ġranet. U xi ngħidu, tfal, għall-mijiet ta' Siġar tal-Milied, imdawla bi dwal ta' kull lew, itepptu wara kważi kull tieqa mat-triqat kollha, kif ukoll fil-pjazez principali! Il-kartolini bl-isbaħ awguri ma jonqsux. Iżda l-aktar ħażja li t-tfal ikunu jistenneħha bla dubju ta' xejn, il-parties li jiġi organizzati ghalihom matul dawn il-ġranet. Għalkemm jieħdu gost bl-ikel, xorba, u

divertiment li jippreparaw ghalihom f'dawn il-parties, it-tfal ikunu anzjużi ghall-wasla ta' Father Christmas sabiex iqass mil-hom ir-rigali. Kulhadd jifrah birrigali, aktar u aktar it-tfal, f'dawn il-ġranet.

Huwa xieraq, tfal, li f'dawn il-ġranet ta' ferħ, naħsbu ftit aktar f'dawk it-tfal anqas ixxurtjati minnha u nfittxu li mhux biss ni-firħu aħna, iżda li nagħtu sehemna sabiex huma wkoll jkunu jistgħu jifirħu matul dawn il-ġranet. Dan nistgħu nagħmluh billi noffrulhom ikel, rigali u ħwejjeg, skond ma nkunu nistgħu.

Minn qalbi, tfal, f'ismi u f'isem l-Editorial Board nixtieq il-kom il-koll Milied hieni u l-isbaħ xewqat għas-sena l-għida, mimlija risq u hena.

Hbieb tagħna tfal,

Xi tgħidu kieku kellna ngħidulkom li mis-sena li gejja se jibdew jiġi organizzati, għalikom tfal tal-Pulizija, hafna laqgħat flimkien permezz ta' attivitajiet sportivi, kulturali u rekrekjattivi b'wiri ta' films f'tejatri fil-Belt Valletta u Tas-Sliema, 'outings' ta' nofs

ta' nhar kif ukoll outings ta' għurnata. Dan minbarra s-soltu famuż 'summer camp' li minn sena ghall-oħra dejjem qed iżid fil-popolarità tiegħu. Aħna certi li intkom mhux se tgħidu le għal dawn l-aktivitajiet iżda tajjeb ngħidulkom li dan ippruvajna nibdew nagħmluh f'din is-sena permezz tat-Twaqqif tal-Club tat-Tfal tal-Pulizija imma ma kienx hemm partecipazzjoni bieżżejjed. Dan setà kien minħabba xi traskuraġni mill-ġenituri li ma wrewx lit-tfal tagħhom bil-pjanijiet tagħna u għalhekk ma kienx hemm dik it-twiegħiba għas-sejħa tagħna. Qiegħdin għalhekk ngħidu issa dirett lilkom it-tfal jekk tridux tissieħbu f'dan il-Club Tfal tal-Pulizija u jekk tgħidu iva, uru l-intenzjoni tagħ-kom lill-ġenituri u dawn jieħdu ħsieb jiktbukom.

Harga ta' nofs ta' nhar bil-karozzi tal-pulizija

Infakkru lit-tfal tal-Pulizija li darba fix-xahar, nhar ta' Hadd fil-ġħodu bejn id-9 a.m. u nofs in-nhar tiġi organizzata ħarġa fil-kampanja jew postijiet storici u ta' interest. Dawk it-tfal li jixtiequ jattendu għandhom ikunu ħdejn il-Pulizija ta' Bieb il-Belt fid-8.45 a.m. fejn jirritornaw għal habta ta' nofs in-nhar.



It-tfal tal-Pulizija f'wahda mill-ewwel hargiet nhar ta' Hadd.

Fil-harġa ta' qabel kont għid-tolkom li l-Kumitat ta' li Sports kien wera x-xewqa li jorganizza l-league tal-football għad-Distretti. Għal dan il-ghan il-Kumitat sejjah tlett laqgħat fil-Kwartieri Generali tal-Pulizija fit-3, 13 u 27 ta' Ottubru, 1983, fejn ġew mistiedna wkoll id-delegati ta' kull Distrett jew Sezzjonijiet tal-Pulizija.

Wara li saru xi suġġerimenti min-naha ta' xi delegati prezenti, gie deciż li xi Distretti jew Sezzjonijiet tal-Pulizija jingħaqdu ma' bejniethom biex ikun jista' jigi ffurmat it-team għaliex xi delegati qalu li ma kienux f'pożizzjoni li jiffurmaw team bir-reserves. Għalhekk wara hafna suġġerimenti gie deciż li t-teamijiet ikunu tmienja u ġew maq-suma kif jidher hawn taħt:

Team A: G.H.Q./Mobile/F.C.P.

Team B: Traffic/Dog Section/M.T.

Team C: Airport/Immigration

Team D: C.I.D. 'C' Dept. Yard.

Team E: Dist. No. 1 u Dist No. 2

Team F: Dist. No. 4

Team G: Dist. No. 5 u Dist. No. 6.

Team H: Dist. No. 3 u C.C.P.

Meta sar qbil dwar it-teamijiet gew diskussi diversi affarijiet oħra fejn sar qbil bejn il-membri kollha prezenti dwar diversi mozzjonijiet li ġew imressqa kif gej:

Mozzjonijiet

- Ir-referees ikunu membri tal-korp stess.
- Li l-logħba tkun ta' 35 minuta kull half u li l-logħob kollu jsir fil-ground tal-Marsa fuq il-ħaxix.
- Gie ssuġġerit li jsir board tad-dixxiplina fejn ic-Chairman ikun l-Ispettur N. Schembri jew Spettur ieħor indipendenti assistit minn membru għal kull team.
- L-Istatut għal-league ikun bħal dak tal-league tal-S.S.A. fejn isiru xi tibdiliet zghar fir-rigward tad-dixxiplina.
- Li jkun hemm Trophies għat-team rebbieħ tal-league u għar-Runner Up, Trophy oħra għat-team rebbieħ tan-Knock-Out u Trophy oħra għat-team li jkun ġieb ruħu sewwa fil-ground magħrufa bhala l-'Good Conduct Trophy'. Dawn it-Trophies jinżammu mit-



team rebbieħ għal sena.

- Kull player li jitkeċċa mill-ground mir-referee jigi sospiż għal żewġ logħbiet barra xi miżuri oħra mogħtija mill-Board tad-Dixxiplina.
- F'każ li żewġ teamijiet jispiċċaw bl-istess punti ssir 'decider' bejn dawn it-teamijiet.
- Il-league isir fuq baži ta' żewġ logħbiet bejn kull team fejn jingħataw żewġ punti għal kull rebħa u punt għal kull logħba li tispicċa draw.
- Li kull player jista' jilgħab mat-team fejn ikun stazzjonat sal-20 ta' Ottubru, 1983, u jekk xi player jigi trasferit għal xi Distrett ieħor wara din id-data, dan il-player irid jibqa' jilgħab ma' dak it-team fejn kien stazzjonat qabel l-20 ta' Ottubru, 1983.

Il-membri prezenti għalhekk qablu li l-league għandu jibda fil-31 ta' Ottubru, 1983 bl-ewwel logħba tibda fis-1.30 p.m. u t-tieni waħda fit-3.00 p.m.

Wara li l-Kumitat ta' l-Isports irċieva l-approvazzjoni tal-Kummissarju tal-Pulizija biex dan il-league ikun jista' jibda u ġew im-tella' l-poloz għal-league li qed jiġi ppubblikat f'dan il-magazine.

Ma' din il-harġa qiegħed nagħtikom l-ewwel żewġ rapporti ta' l-ewwel żewġ logħbiet li ntlagħbu fil-31 ta' Ottubru, 1983, fil-Marsa Ground u għall-ħarġa li jmiss nispera li nkun nista' nagħtikom aktar rapporti dwar logħbiet li jkunu saru flimkien ma' xi ritratti.

Fl-ahħar nixtieq li kulhadd jikkopera halli dan il-league ikun success kif jixtieq il-Kumitat ta' l-Isports.

Nirringrazzjaw ukoll lill-Kummissarju tal-Pulizija għal għajnejn u l-koperazzjoni tiegħi fejn jidħol l-Isports għall-Korp tal-Pulizija.

**G.H.Q./Mobile/F.C.P.....2
Traffic/Dog Sec/M.T.....0**

**FORMAZZJONI:
G.H.Q./Mobile/F.C.P.**

PC712 Fabri, PS468 Gauci, PC665 Callus, PS385 Bunce, PC512 Ellul, PC129 Aquilina, PC366 Psaila, PC559 Mulvaney, PC120 Pace, PC68 Mallia, PC612 Gauci.

Reserves: PC980 Scerri, PC1347 Casha, PC326 Spiteri.

Traffic/Dog Sec/M.T.

PC1263 Cosby, PC93 Sammut, PS609 Flateley, PC254 Falzon, PC5 Mifsud, PC305 Gauci, PC241 Borg, PC178 Curmi, PC911 Attard, PC1388 Amaira, PC742 Scicluna.

Reserves: PC128 Axiaq, PC215 Schembri, PC39 Sammut.

Referee: PS653 Camilleri. Linesman: PC450 Borda, PC1108 Cassar.

Fid-debuttagħhom f'dan il-league it-team tal-GHQ wera li għandu materjal tajjeb bizzarejjed biex ikun wieħed mit-teamijiet li jkunu minn ta' l-ewwel fil-klas-sifika finali. B'wirja ta' karattru, it-team tal-GHQ litteralment harbu l-pretensjonijiet tat-team tat-Traffic. Li ma kienx għal wirja qalbiena tal-goalkeeper tat-team tat-Traffic PC1263 Cosby lis-score kien ikun akbar.

L-ewwel goal tal-partita wasal wara 9 minuti logħob meta r-referee saffar 'free kick' indirett gewwa l-kaxxa ż-żgħira tat-team tat-Traffic wara li l-goalkeeper mexxa bil-ballun gewwa l-kaxxa. Inkariga ruħu minn dan il-'free kick' PC366 Psaila li qassam qasir lil PC512 Ellul li mill-ewwel fajjar xutt lejn il-lasti li habat ma' difensur u spicċa fir-rokna tax-xibka. Fil-11 il-minuta kellna ġirja sabieħa ta' PC120 Pace għat-team tal-GHQ li kif daħħal fil-kaxxa ż-żgħira l-goalkeeper tat-Traffic, PC1263 Cosby, hareg jagħlaq l-angolu u rnexxielu jin-blokka x-xutt finali ta' PC120 Pace. Fil-15 il-minuta PC39 Sammut daħħal flok PC215 Schembri għat-team tat-Traffic.

Għall-kumplament ta' dan il-half ftit kien hemm azzjonijiet ta' goal u wara li fit-30 minuta PC5 Mifsud gie muri l-karta s-safru mir-referee fuq protesti, minuta mit-tmiem kellna ħarba oħra sabiħa ta' PC512 Ellul fejn għal



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darba oħra PC1263 Cosby wera l-kwalitajiet tajba tiegħu meta mblokka x-xutt finali ta' PC512 Ellul.

Fit-tieni taqsima, it-team tat-Taffic wera ffit tal-progress meta PC93 Sammut bidel postu fuq quddiem ma' PC241 Borg li niżel wara jiddefendi. L-ewwel azzjoni denja ta' nota kienet fil-5 minuta meta PC911 Attard ipprova xutt minn barra l-kaxxa li gie salvat mill-goalkeeper tat-team tal-GHQ. Fis-6 minuta kellna sostituzzjoni oħra meta PC1347 Casha dahal flok PC612 Gauci.

Ffit minuti waara, wasal it-tieni goal tat-team tal-GHQ meta kellna harba sabiha ta' PC366 Psaila fuq il-lemin li qassam għan-nofs fejn kien hemm PC120 PACE li b'xutt tajjeb ma ta' ebda. Ċans lil PC1263 Cosby sabiex isalva. Ffit wara dan il-goal kellna bidla oħra meta l-goalkeeper tal-GHQ PC712 Fabri gie mibdul ma' PC326 Spiteri. Għal komplament tal-logħba it-team tat-Traffic deher xi ffit demoralizzat u ż-żewġ teamijiet ma holqux azzjonijiet oħra tajbin hliet xutti minn barra l-kaxxa ta' PC93 Sammut għat-team tat-Traffic li spicċa barra.

**C.I.D. 'C' Dept. Yard.....2
Airport/Immigration.....0**

FORMAZZJONI:

C.I.D. 'C' Dept. Yard

PC 637 Bonello, GC564 Borg, PC650 Bartolo, PC621 Calleja, PC496 Borg, PC578 Saliba, PC633 Cassar, PC673 Mallia, PS19 Muscat, PC1401 Pisani, PC136 Attard.

Reserves: PC1404 Rizzo, PC671 Falzon, PC1390 Cassar, PC636 Friggieri, PC102 Bartolo. Airport/Immigration

PS197 Mallia, PC809 Vella, PC1153 Tanti, PC832 Cassar, PC607 Camilleri, PS709 Zammit, PC835 Grech, PC839 Zarb, PS1384 Abela, PC547 Agius, In-spr. D. Stubbings.

Reserves: PC828 Privitera, PS492 Vella.

Referee: PC450 Borda. Linesman: PS653 Camilleri, PC1108

Cassar.

B'wirja ta' logħob sabiħ it-team tas-CID mill-ewwel harbu l-pretenċjoni tat-team ta' l-Airport. It-team ta-CID mal-ewwel urew l-intenzjoni tagħhom li riedu jirbhu din il-logħba. Infatti kienu biss wara żewġ minuti logħob li t-team tas-CID fetaħ l-iscore, permezz ta' PC564 Borg li b'xutt minn barra l-kaxxa ma ta' ebda. Ċans lil goalkeeper tat-team ta' l-Airport PS197 Mallia isalva.

It-team tas-CID baqa' juri l-istess hegħġa u fit-8 minuta l-iscore sar 2-0 favur it-team tas-CID meta PC1401 Pisani ta' xutt mill-ewwel minn barra l-kaxxa li spicċa fir-rokna tax-xibka bil-goalkeeper tat-team ta' l-Airport iħares. Żewġ minuti wara it-team tas-CID kelli fejn iżid l-iscore meta l-goalkeeper ta' l-Airport għola għal ballun issikkat minn xi players oħra, harablu l-ballun u dahal PC621 Calleja bil-għirja però ma laħaqx fil-hin għax il-ballun spicċa kemm kemm barra. Hawnhekk il-logħba dehret li battiet xi ffit mill-aggressività tal-ftuh min-naha tat-team tas-CID u kellna nistennew sas-27 minuta meta kellna 'save' tajjeb ta' PS197 Mallia li hareġ f'saqajn PC673 Mallia tas-CID. Minuta wara kellna xutt iehor ta' PC564 Borg minn barra l-kaxxa li għad-dha għoli għad-dha ffit.

Għat-tieni taqsima, it-team ta' l-Airport hareġ lil PS492 Vella flok PC835 Grech. It-team ta' l-Airport deher xi ffit aktar organizzat li f'hafna mumenti addottaw in-nasba ta' l-'offside' li kkontrollat xi ffit mill-attakki tat-team tas-CID. Fis-7 minuta kellna xutt tajjeb ta' PC673 Mallia li l-goalkeeper ta' l-Airport salva tajjeb.

Hawnhekk kellna sostituzzjoni oħra meta PC1404 Rizzo dahal flok PC633 Cassar għat-team tas-CID.

It-team ta' l-Airport beda jidhol aktar fil-logħba u fl-14 il-minuta kellna free kick favur it-team ta' l-Airport mogħiġi għan-nofis minn PC1153 Tanti fejn dahal PC1384 Abela u d-daqqa ta' ras tiegħu spicċat barra. Żewġ minuti wara kien hemm free kick ieħor mogħiġi minn PC1153 Tanti, bid-difiza tas-CID tikklerja ħażin fejn dahal PC607 Camilleri bil-għirja l-i? fajjar xutt għal-lasta li spicċa għoli.

It-team tas-CID deher li kien kuntent bil-vantagg ta' żewġ goals u beda jikkontrolla l-logħba li l-unika azzjoni denja ta' nota sat-tmiem kienet harba sabiha ta' PC673 Mallia li kif dahal fil-kaxxa fajjar xutt li għie salvat mill-goalkeeper ta' l-Airport. Nota oħra kienet is-sostituzzjoni ta' PC671 Falzon li dahal flok PC136 Attard għatteam tas-CID fil-21 minuta tat-tieni taqsima. Minkejja l-isforzi qalbien tat-team ta' l-Airport l-aħħar suffara tar-referee sabet it-team tas-CID jirbaħ din il-logħba bl-iscore ta' 2-0.



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