

The Cincinnati Police Department's History reveals a rank or position that has never been fully understood.

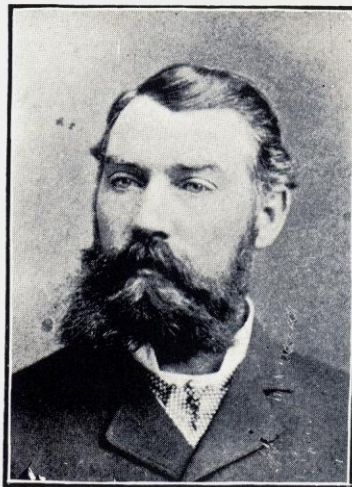
In the 1901 Cincinnati Police and Municipal Guide there are many photographs of the Police Officers and Firemen from Cincinnati and Covington, Kentucky.

The special officers wore the same uniform and badges as the members of the police force.



The captions under the photographs revealed some information regarding the job and or duties that some officers performed. As you read the officers history please take note of their date of appointment.

Who does not know Special Officer Peter J. Conroy? The well-groomed figure of this Chesterfieldian police official can be seen any day at Fifth and Race Streets. Nothing delights him more than to show ladies and children across the busy thoroughfare and protect them from moving vehicles. He can do it with a becoming grace that few guardians of the peace possess. The subject of this sketch is one of the veterans of the department, but as young as any other officer in actions. He is always at his post, and knows personally nearly every one in Cincinnati worth knowing. All who know him respect him for his many charming qualities as a man and citizen. He is a prominent member of the Duckworth Club and has many friends in that famous organization. Officer Conroy was on terms of intimacy with many leading men for years, and all business men like and respect him. He is happily married and resides at 808 Richmond St. He takes great pride in his personal appearance and few strangers pass the corner where he is stationed without making some inquiry about the "distinguished looking officer."



PETER J. CONROY,
The Polite and Clever Special, who is Well Known to so many Cincinnatians — A Shining Credit to the Cincinnati Department.



LEVI A. DONOHOO,
Popular and Efficient Special Officer, who is Detailed at Fifth and Walnut Streets — A Model Police Official

Few members of the local police department are as well and favorably known as Levi A. Donohoo, the handsome subject of this sketch. He has worn the blue and brass of the Queen City Department with credit to himself and honor to the service since February 10, 1887. During that time he has earned the confidence and esteem of his superiors and is looked upon today as one of the most capable and efficient men in the department. At present he is detailed to that important post at Fifth and Walnut Streets, and in this connection it may be well to state that no corner in the city requires an officer to be more vigilant in order to protect life and property. Special Officer Donohoo has acquitted himself with rare credit since being assigned to this post, and has won the confidence and esteem of the thousands of Cincinnatians who happen to pass that way daily on their way to and from business. He is polite and suave to all, and a credit to his calling. He is happily married, and resides on Price Hill, where he is held in high esteem. Special Officer Donohoo has made a number of clever captures since adopting his present calling.



FRANK KRUSE,

One of the Best-Known Special Officers Connected with the Cincinnati Police Department — A Deservedly Popular Man.

No wearer of the-brass buttons has more warm personal friends than Frank Kruse, the genial special officer, who has done duty for years at the Grand Central Depot. He has been connected with the department since 1886, and his record has always been good. He is happily married and belongs to the Masons and other social and fraternal orders. It can be truthfully said that the subject of this sketch has as large an acquaintance as any guardian of the peace in the Queen City. His smiling face is well known to the traveling public, and since he has been stationed at the depot his work in every way has been first-class. He has been kind and considerate in his treatment of women and children, and is a terror to evil-doers who seek to ply nefarious games on unsuspecting travelers. Officer Kruse is above the average in intelligence and is thoroughly posted on police business. Railroad men are especially strong in their admiration of him, and recognize that he possesses many qualities which make him an ideal man for his responsible position. The department would indeed be better off with more men of the caliber of the subject of this sketch.



HENRY S. CROWLEY,

The Handsome and Efficient Special Officer, who has done Good Service on Third Street among the National Banks.

Special Officer Henry S. Crowley, who is assigned to duty among the moneyed institutions of the city, is one of the best-known men on the force. He is about thirty-six years of age and first saw the light of day at Wilmington, Delaware. He is a happily married man, and resides with his estimable wife and four children at 331 Ellen Street, Mt. Adams. Two of Officer Crowley's bright boys are twins, and are now about three years of age. A couple of brighter children cannot be found on the beautiful hill-top overlooking the river and Kentucky Highlands. Officer Crowley is a domestic man and finds unbounded pleasure at home with Mrs. Crowley and the little ones. Among the bankers, brokers, insurance men, and others who frequent Third Street he is deservedly popular. He is ever vigilant, and since being assigned to his present post has made a record that would indeed be extremely hard for any man to excel, or even equal. After receiving a good education the subject of this sketch learned the trade of harness-making, and was one of the most valuable men at Wooley Brothers & Grossman's big factory before becoming a wearer of the blue and brass.



WILLIAM H. KING,

One of Cincinnati's Veteran Special Officers, who is Popular both in and out of the Department.

Few men in Cincinnati are better or more favorably known than Special Officer "Billy" King, whose smiling face is so well known to residents of the Queen City. He has followed his present calling since May 3, 1881, and his record during that time has been of the best. He has witnessed many changes in the personnel of the department, and can relate with much interest episodes that have to do with the police department before its reorganization in 1886. Special Officer King is noted for his gallantry, which he has had ample opportunity to display on the various downtown corners where travel is heavy. Recently he has been stationed at Fourth and Vine Streets, where his happy mien has made a hit with ladies and children who have occasion to pass that busy corner on shopping expeditions and other missions of a similar nature. He is ever vigilant and no one has ever been injured on his "watch." This fact speaks volumes for one of his experience. He is prominent in various police organizations and deservedly popular both in and out of the department. Special Officer King has made many clever captures, and is exceptionally well posted on police business.



HERMAN LEUCHTENBERG,

One of the Efficient and Popular Special Officers Recently Appointed by Mayor Fleischmann—A Deserved Promotion.

No member of the Cincinnati Police Department is better or more favorably known than Special Officer Herman Leuchtenberg, the subject of this sketch. He has worn the blue and brass since December 3, 1892, and has made a record of which he may feel justly proud. He resides at 4370 Innes Avenue, Northside, and is deservedly popular in that section of the city. When it became necessary, a short time ago, to create three special officers Leuchtenberg was readily chosen as one of the elect. That he will prove useful and efficient in his new position goes without saying. Special Officer Leuchtenberg belongs to the Odd Fellows, and is also a member of various other social and fraternal orders. He is about thirty-one years of age, and has captured some noted criminals in his time. No member of the force is better drilled or has a wider knowledge of criminals and their nefarious methods. He has devoted much time and study to the laws and ordinances that have a bearing on police business, and few wearers of the uniform emblematic of his calling are better posted. Those who know him best are sure that he will earn even a higher place ere long.

The duties and how the special officers were chosen is described below in the obituary of Frederick Deitsch.

Biography of Frederick W. Deitsch

Cuyahoga County, OH Biographies

FREDERICK WILLIAM DEITSCH, D. C., Ph. C., a leading chiropractic physician of the South Side, has been a resident of Cleveland for twenty years.

He was born in Cincinnati, January 2, 1871, son of Col. Philip and Anna Jane (Johnston) Deitsch. Col. Philip Deitsch for many years was one of the most prominent men of Cincinnati and Southern Ohio. He was born in Germany, October 7, 1840, and came to the United States in 1858, soon joining the Regular Army of the United States. He was in the Fourth Regiment of the United States Infantry all through the Civil war, having reenlisted in 1862. He was commissioned colonel of that regiment and rendered a gallant service in preserving the Union. After the war he located at Cincinnati, was connected with the city postoffice, then in the internal revenue bureau, was journal clerk of the Hamilton County Probate Court, and in 1885 was appointed chief of police by Mayor Smith. Colonel Deitsch was for seventeen years head of the Cincinnati Police Force, continuing his service until his death on January 23, 1902. As head of the police department he brought up its efficiency to second to none in the country, and distinguished himself not only as an executive, but as a man of unusual ideas in perfecting the police department of a large city. He installed the Bertillon System of measurement at Cincinnati, a system now in universal use in police departments. **He was originator of what is now the "traffic officer," then known as a "special," assigned to duty in regulating street traffic.** Colonel Deitsch was president of the International Association of Police Chiefs for the United States and Canada. He was a personal friend of President Roosevelt and of other prominent public men. He was deeply interested in Masonry, and was a Knight Templar and thirty second Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner.

His wife, Anna Jane Johnston, was born in' the North of Ireland, in 1847, of Scotch Irish parentage. She died at Cincinnati, June 15, 1902, a few months after the death of her husband.

Frederick William Deitsch was reared in Cincinnati, graduated from the Hughes High School in that city in 1891, and subsequently was a student of the violin at the Cincinnati College of Music. He has given much time to music, and is a member of the American Federation of Musicians. For a time he was in the treasurer's office of the Standard Oil Company at Cincinnati, and following that engaged in railroad accounting. Doctor Deitsch came to Cleveland

in 1902, and was employed as an accountant until he took up the study of chiropractic. He graduated from the Palmer School of Chiropractics at Davenport, Iowa, March 31, 1921, with the degrees of Doctor of Chiropractics and Pharmaceutical Chemist. He at once returned to Cleveland, and has since been building up a very successful practice, with offices at the corner of West Twenty fifth Street and Clark Avenue. He is a member of the Cuyahoga County, Ohio State and National Chiropractic associations. He also belongs to the Masons and Elks.

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