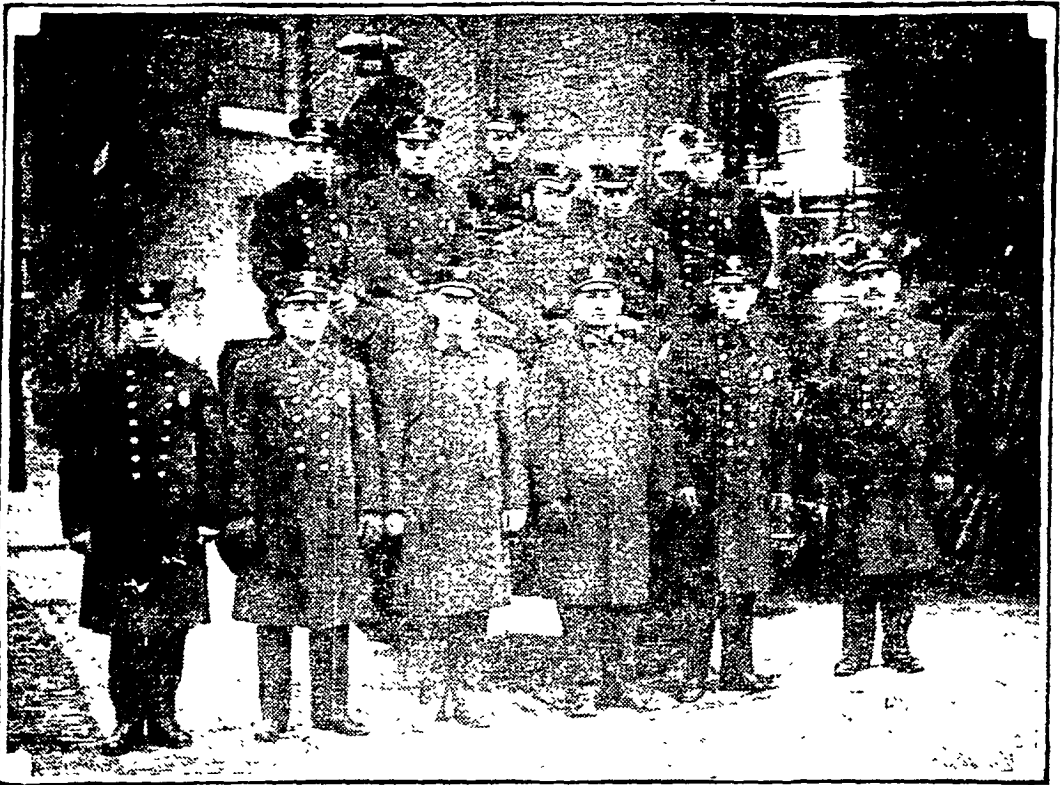


ENGINE 3 WINS DRILL CONTESTS

Competitions Begun Since Oct 27 and Closing on Dec 27 Were in 10 Evolutions



Back Row, Left to Right—John F. Regan, William J. Whalen, Thomas F. Callahan, John L. Glynn, Edward G. Bowler, John F. Foley. Front Row—William E. Coughlin, George F. Moore, Capt Joseph P. Hanton, Lieut William Peterson, James F. Donohue, Thomas F. Feeley.

Fire Commissioner John R. Murphy issued a general order last night announcing the winners of the company drill at the headquarters on Bristol st, with the times for each event of all the companies which drilled. The crew of Engine 3, now under command of Capt Joseph P. Hanton, but which drilled while under the command of Capt John N. Lally, since made district chief of Roxbury, has been adjudged champion company, with a record for elapsed time of 7m 13s for the 10 events on the schedule.

Besides having the best time for all events, this company has the time records for two of 10 events and is tied with two other companies in two others. The crews tied with Engine 3 for the first event are Engines 22 and 23, all at 2s. For the sixth event this company is tied by Ladder 3 and Ladder 13 at 1m 11s. Capt Fred Leary and the crew of Ladder 3 made the best time in the fourth, fifth and eighth events, 59s, 36s and 28s, respectively, giving this company three of the best prizes and a tie for a fourth.

The crew of Ladder 12, Capt Kelley, set a record of 44s for taking a 50-foot ladder from the truck, setting poles, rising to the fourth-floor window and dogging. The engineers of Engine 12, with 3s for connecting the chuck to hydrant and passing water through engine, are the champions for this work.

Capt "Tom" Downey and the crew of Engine 22, for running a line of 100 feet

of 2½-inch hose from engine, connecting Morse gate and Bresnan nozzle, putting nozzle through hole in platform, which was the same as through a floor, and into a cellar and calling for water in 11s, lead the field.

No competition developed in the drills from the first three districts, so that no speed records were made, the companies drilling to show to Capt James W. Mahoney that the men knew how to do their work.

Commissioner Murphy and Chief Walsh have refused to class the drill this year as a prize drill, arguing that such a classification would be unfair to some of the best companies in the Fire Department. Next year, when every company will drill for prizes, the men will know that their work is done under stop-watches and nobody can complain of lack of proper notice.

The drills started Oct 27 and were completed on Dec 27 and consisted of 10 evolutions: No. 1, connect two lines of hose, 100 feet each, from engine to deluge set; 2, connect two lines of hose, 100 feet each, from engine to Morse wagon gun; 3, raise 50-foot ladder to fourth-floor window and dog same; 4, run 200 feet 2½-inch line over 50-foot ladder, up stairway and show pipe out fifth-floor window; 5, raise 3-foot ladder to fire escape, carry 17-foot roof ladder over same to story above, dog 3-foot ladder; 6, run 220 feet 2½-inch line over 50-foot ladder, over fire escape to roof, 75 feet from ground; 7, take life line and haul 25-foot ladder to roof 75 feet from ground; 8, take life line and haul 200 feet 2½-inch hose to roof, 3, run

100 feet 2½-inch from engine, connect Morse gate and Bresnan nozzle; 10, connect chuck to hydrant, flexible suction, water trough engine.

The companies making the best time are all in the second division, commanded by Deputy Chief Henry A. Fox, with four of the five companies working in less than eight minutes being in District 7, now commanded by District Chief Frank Sweeney.

Engine 3, with 7m 13s, tops the list; Ladder 3, Capt Fred Leary, in the same house at Harrison av and Bristol st, with 7m 13s; second, Ladder 13, Lieuts Hanton and Rooney, third, with 7m 41s; Engine 22, Capt "Tom" Downey, fourth, with 7m 32s; Engine 41 of Brighton, fifth, with 7m 58s.

A "mongrel" company, of crews of Chemical 1 and Tower 1, on Bulfinch st, hold the record for the first division, with a time of 8m 5s. Engine 3, the second division record; Ladder 4, with 8m 29s, the record for the third division.

By districts the winning companies are: District 1, Ladder 21 and Chemical 7; District 2, Ladder 22; District 3, Rescue 1 and Tower 3; District 3, Chemical 1 and Tower 1; District 5, Ladder 17; District 6, Engine 43; District 7, Engine 3; District 8, Ladder 12; District 9, Ladder 4; District 10, Engine 17; District 11, Engine 41; District 12, Ladder 10; District 13, Ladder 25; District 14, Engine 46; District 15, Engine 49.

The best time for each evolution was: 1, Engine 3, Engine 22 and Engine 23, 23s; 2, Engine 5, 17s; 3, Ladder 12, 44s; 4, Ladder 3, 59s; 5, Ladder 3, 36s; 6, Engine 3, Ladder 3 and Ladder 13, 1m 11s; 7, Engine 3, 1m 15s; 8, Ladder 3, 28s; 9, Engine 22, 11s; 10, Engine 12, 20s.