

TRANSFERS 32 BY NEW ORDER

Commissioner Shakes
Fire Department.

Redistricts City and Creates
New Rank for Deputies.

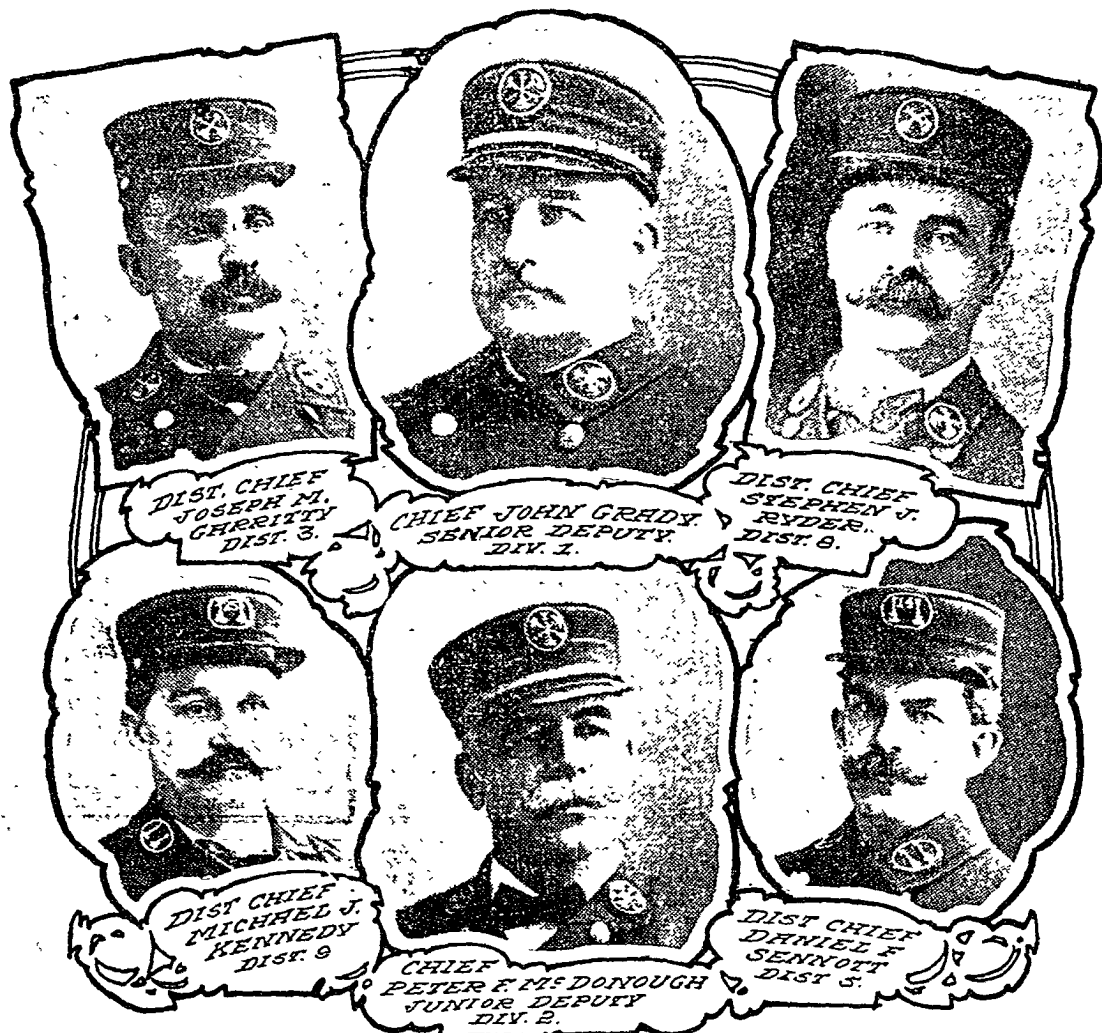
Grady Leaves Mason St—
Friday Moving Day.

Changes in the personnel and the districting of the fire department which are described as the most important made since June 15, 1894, following the conflagration which originated in the South End baseball grounds and wiped out numerous Roxbury dwellings and business establishments, were announced yesterday by Fire Commissioner Parker.

In a special transfer order Commissioner Parker announces the assignments of the new district chief, cap-

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SIX OFFICERS OF BOSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT AFFECTED BY COMMISSIONER PARKER'S ORDER



DIST. CHIEF
JOSEPH M.
GARRITY
DIST. 3.

CHIEF JOHN GRADY
SENIOR DEPUTY
DIV. 1.

DIST. CHIEF
STEPHEN J.
RYDER
DIST. 6.

DIST. CHIEF
MICHAEL J.
KENNEDY
DIST. 9.

CHIEF PETER F. McDONOUGH
JUNIOR DEPUTY
DIV. 2.

DIST. CHIEF
DANIEL F.
SENNOTT
DIST. 5.

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tains and lieutenants that he recently promoted, the shifts of 32 members of the force, which include many superior officers, and the appointment of five probationary firemen while in general order 65 he announces the redistricting of certain sections of the department, declaring that hereafter Chiefs John Grady and Peter F. McDonough will be hailed as senior deputy chief and junior deputy chief instead of first and second deputy as has been the rule heretofore.

Both of these orders will become effective at roll call Friday morning. The transfer order contained many surprises, also the announcement of the new berths for the men who are being "railroaded" from engines 38-39, Congress st., where there was an investigation. Commissioner Parker and Chief Mullen have been working for some time on the transfer order and general orders, being assisted by Lieut Joseph A. Webber, aide to the chief.

Perhaps the most important action that the commissioner has taken is the removal of senior Deputy Chief John Grady from his quarters on Mason st. to quarters in truck 8's house, Fort Hill sq. Ever since the department has had an assistant, or deputy chief, that official has made his headquarters in the house on Mason st., and by changing him a precedent has been established. Commissioner Parker was told yesterday that it had been reported that numerous business and theatrical men had framed a petition protesting against the shifting of Grady.

McDonough Gets a Move.

"If that is so," said the commissioner, "it is the first that I have heard of it."

According to the general order the department has been divided into districts 1 to 6 inclusive, which embrace East Boston, Charlestown and South Boston, and that part of the city proper covering the West and North Ends and extending south to Broadway extension, Pleasant and (short) Church sts., and west to Boylston, Arlington, Beacon and Otter sts to the Charles river, while the rest of the city will be in districts 7 to 12. Senior Deputy Grady will have charge of districts 1 to 6 inclusive, while Junior Deputy Peter F. McDonough will have the balance of the force to shoulder.

Junior Deputy McDonough is incidentally relieved of his former command, the 5th battalion, Roxbury, his headquarters having been ordered removed from ladder 12, Tremont st., Roxbury, to ladder 4, Dudley st., Roxbury. The auto driven by "Tom" Devney that has taken Deputy McDonough to fires, he will retain, while the senior deputy will also be provided with an auto. The commissioner remarked that several young firemen were eager to become autists were being trained and one would be assigned with Deputy Grady.

As a result of the redistricting, new lines were established for districts 3, 4, 5 and 7, all in the city proper. Changes that were the outcome of the redistricting have served to remove a few companies from districts in which they have been located for many years and cause certain chiefs to change their headquarters.

Hereafter the headquarters house of the third district will be at ladder 13, Pittsburg st., instead of at ladder 8, Fort Hill sq., so District Chief Joseph M. Garrity accordingly will be changed. Since four years ago last month District Chief Daniel F. Sennott of the 5th battalion has made his headquarters in the house of ladder 13, but in the future he will be found at engines 28-35, Mason st., close to Chief Mullen.

Byron In for Promotion.

The shift of Deputy McDonough to ladder 4 ousts Dist Chief Michael J. Kennedy, for whom new quarters have been established in the house of engine 12, Dudley st., Roxbury. Dist Chief Stephen J. Ryder has been transferred—and Commissioner Parker did not care to state the reason—from battalion 7, with headquarters in engine 22's house, Warren av., to ladder 12, where Deputy McDonough was formerly located. John T. Byron, the new district chief, is relieved of his captaincy at engine 42, Roxbury, and placed in command of the 7th battalion, with headquarters at Warren av.

Beside the promotion of Capt John T. Byron to the rank of district chief and his assignment, the advancement of two lieutenants to the grade of captain and three privates to the rank of lieutenant and their assignments were announced.

Lieut Charles C. Springer of chemical 10, Eustis st., Roxbury, is made captain of engine 28, Center st., Jamaica Plain, replacing Capt Michael C. Leonard, retired, while Lieut George H. Hutchings of engine 21, Columbia road, Dorchester, is made captain of engine 42, Egleston sq., Roxbury.

Hoseman John F. Watson of chemical engine 10, Church st., goes to chemical 10 as lieutenant; ladderman Ernest O. Haines of ladder 12 is made lieutenant at chemical 7, Saratoga st., East Boston, and senior hoseman Edward F. Doody of engine 43 is named as lieutenant at engine 21, Columbia road, Dorchester.

Another important matter that the commissioner attended to was the adjustment of the difficulties at the engines 28-39, Congress st., where Capt James J. Caine is in charge. Lieut Patrick F. Goggin, assistant engineer Thomas F. Roach, hoseman Edward J. McIntyre, James A. Higgins, Frank L. Lyons, John J. Burke and Frank C. Shannon were "railroaded" from the

company, and the fact that Capt Caine was permitted to retain his berth there is regarded as a vindication for him.

Five Probationary Firemen.

It will be recalled that a few weeks ago hoseman Frank L. Lyons of that company and hoseman James M. Burke of engine 4 engaged in a fistie encounter on the top of company 39's hose wagon at the head of Long wharf. Trouble between them in which it is alleged that John J. Burke of engines 38-39, James M.'s brother, was directly interested, caused the fight, and they were subsequently fined two weeks pay, five days off and placed on probation for four months.

When the men were given their hearing statements were made that caused the conditions at the double company to be investigated. Charges are still pending against hoseman John J. Burke. They will probably be disposed of inside of 10 days as he is at present on vacation.

The men that were removed from engines 38-39 were established as follows: Lieut Patrick F. Goggin, engine 5, Marlon st., East Boston; asst engineer Thomas F. Roach, engines 28-35, hoseman Edward J. McIntyre, ladder 15; Frank C. Shannon, engine 43, John J. Burke, water tower 2; Frank L. Lyons, ladder company 6 and James A. Higgins engines 28-35.

Others transferred were: Lieut Thomas J. Hines from chemical engine 7, Saratoga st., East Boston to engines 38-39; assistant engineer Patrick J. Ryan, engines 28-35 to engines 38-39; James F. Cullen, engine 28 to engines 38-39; John I. Murphy, president of the firemen's mutual relief association, engine 21 to engines 38-39; William P. Kelleher, engine 25 to ladder 12; William O. Cushing, engines 28-35 to engine 25; Daniel F. Buckley, engine 7 to ladder 6; Jeremiah J. Cronin, water tower 2 to ladder 3; James P. Sheehan, engines 28-35 to chemical 2; J. G. Berninger, ladder 6 to engines 38-39; John J. Whalen, ladder 6 to engine 7; McDarragh Flaherty, ladder 2 to engine 2; Frank J. Deimoddy, ladder 15 to engines 28-35, and Michael F. Hayes, ladder 3 to engine 2.

Following are the assignments of five probationary firemen who were instructed by the commissioner and the chief before they left headquarters yesterday: Patrick J. Smith of 721 3d st., South Boston, to engines 38-39; Stanislaus I. Mikolajewski, 19 Washburn st., Dorchester, to engines 38-39; Mortimer W. F. Linton, 19 Saxton st., Dorchester, to ladder 20; James E. Fitzpatrick of 1 Stones ct., Charlestown, to ladder 2; Arthur A. Nixon of 42 Fowler st., Dorchester, to engine 23. Payroll clerk James P. Maloney discovered that three of the recruits are ball players so they are to be tried out for the department team.

Present District Boundaries.

According to the general order the deputy chiefs will be responsible to Chief Mullen for the districts in their respective divisions; they will make thorough inspections of the companies, apparatus and quarters of the companies in their respective divisions and will receive and forward all official communications with their proper endorsement to the chief of the department; they will report to all alarms of fire as ordered by the chief of the department and will forward service reports the same as the district chiefs; they will arrange during their absence from the district in which their headquarters is located that they will be covered by a district chief.

The title of first and second deputy chief is ordered abolished, while following are the new boundaries of the district that were affected by the redistricting.

District 2—The territory bounded on the north by State st., on the east by the water front to B st., South Boston, on the southeast by B st., on the south by West 1st st., across Dorchester av. and Cove-st bridge to Atlantic av. and on the west by Atlantic av., Dewey sq., Summer st., Church green and Devonshire st. Companies—Engines 25, 38-39, 41, ladder trucks 8, 14 and tower 3.

District 4—The territory bounded on the north and east by the water front, on the south by State, Devonshire, Water, Washington, School and Beacon sts., and on the west by Charles and Pinekney sts and the Charles river. Companies—Engines 4, 6 and 8, ladder trucks 1 and 2, chemical 1 and tower 1.

District 5—The territory bounded on the west by the Charles river, on the north by Otter, Beacon, Arlington, Boylston (short), Church and Providence sts., Park sq., Columbus av., Church and Tremont sts., on the south by Pleasant st. and Broadway extension to bridge across Fort Point channel to Dorchester av. and on the east by a line from Dorchester av. across Cove-st bridge, Atlantic av., Dewey sq., Summer st., Church Green and Devonshire st. Companies—Engines 7, 10, 28-35, ladder 17 and chemical 2.

District 7—The territory bounded on the west by the Charles river, on the north by Otter, Beacon, Arlington, Boylston (short), Church and Providence sts., Park sq., Columbus av., Church, Tremont and Pleasant sts and Broadway extension to bridge, on the east by Fort Point channel and South bay, and on the south by Massachusetts av. and the Charles river. Companies—Engines 3, 22 and 33, trucks 2, 13 and 15, chemical 4 and tower 2.