

ment. Under an administrative pencil stroke they are placing us back in the position of an investigator. They will take a new police officer—who may be qualified; I am not saying he won't be qualified—and place him in an investigator's role, the same as it took me these 15 years to obtain through a promotional examination. We are not asking for anything that the Department hasn't set its precedent on before, when they abolished the rank of corporal.

They also tell us that we haven't taken a supervisory test. Well, gentlemen, the examination I took for detective had approximately 160 questions on it. The private who took a test for uniform sergeant the same day I took my detective's examination, the questions were verbatim, excepting maybe five or ten questions; the same examination.

The examination that I was forced to take three Saturdays ago for detective sergeant, the uniformed men and some detectives who may have taken it for sergeant because they felt this was the only way they were going to be promoted, was a verbatim test; the same test. In fact, the title of that examination was "Sergeant and Detective Sergeant." So there should be no question as to who are supervisors and who are not supervisors.

The Chief's office then, after many months of deliberation—not with us—said, "I will extend to you an opportunity to take a detective sergeant's examination" and he said, "I will do that for two years, this October and the October of 1969. Therefore, I am affording you an opportunity to become a detective sergeant."

Well, gentlemen, if you read the International Chiefs' of Police recommendations, this Criminal Investigation Division which we are all a part of calls for 34 detective sergeants. There are presently 91. Now, this figure may be 93, 92. I could pass this examination I just took in October. I could pass it two years in October, wind up first on the list both times and never be promoted.

All the Chief has said to this is that "I will fill the vacancies."

Well, under reorganization this contradicts the Reorganization Plan and the Chief has said that this department will be reorganized. This process has started.

I feel—I mean the 138 detectives—feel that after trying to talk with the Chief about this problem—and the response we got was, approximately two or three months ago, a meeting was called at Police Headquarters for all the detectives. It was done in two parts; one in the morning, one in the afternoon. We responded and in the meeting I went to in the morning there were 72—some-odd detectives present. Deputy Chief Wilson was there. A civilian, Mr. Glenn Murphy, was there, and he was a representative of my Chief of Police because this was a Police Department meeting. There were no civilians from anywhere there other than he. He spoke to us on behalf of the Chief to try and explain to us what the recommendations were of the International Chiefs of Police. We asked him very pertinent questions, we thought. We asked Deputy Chief Wilson if this was done for the corporals in 1962 why shouldn't it be done for these detectives at this time.

The answer we got then was that that was another administration and that we have nothing to do with that administration.

This was said on the floor of the Detective Bureau squad room.

Then the civilian got up there, Mr. Glenn Murphy, and we asked him questions about this and how the original recommendations of