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BOOK REVIEWS

STATE TRAFFIC LAW ENFORCEMENT. Prepared under the direction of the *Committee on State Traffic Enforcement Manual*—by George E. Miller and David M. Baldwin, National Safety Council, Chicago, Illinois, 1944. Pp. 300.

The book *State Traffic Law Enforcement* is the result of a joint project of the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators, the International Association of Chiefs of Police and the National Safety Council. It represents a compilation of factual material relating to state traffic control which was gathered from all parts of the country. The task of compiling the work was accomplished thru the efforts of a committee comprised of representatives of the three sponsoring organizations. The membership of the committee was composed of men experienced in the fields of Motor Vehicle Administration, Traffic Law Enforcement, and Public Administration. The authors, George E. Miller and David M. Baldwin are both experienced in state traffic law enforcement; Mr. Miller was a member of the Pennsylvania State Police Department before joining the National Safety Council and Mr. Baldwin was formerly a member of the Virginia State Police.

The book comprehensively presents the problems of state traffic control with recommended procedures and methods for their solution. Controversial problems are presented fully and without bias. The chapters dealing with Accident Investigation and Reporting, Patrol Techniques, Enforcement Methods, Traffic Direction and Control are particularly valuable to the traffic officer who is concerned with the practical problems of enforcement. The chapters on Selection of Personnel, Training, Personnel Policies, Communications and Public Relations will serve as a guide to the police executive in approaching the problems of effective traffic control administration.

Instructions for the use of the Standard Accident Report Form and a Summary of a Comprehensive Traffic Check made in eight Southern California Counties is contained in the appendices.

An unique feature of the book is a section illustrating State Police Uniforms. Full length cuts showing the uniforms of all State Police Departments is supplemented with tables containing detailed information relative to color, cut, etc.

The book is well indexed. It may be used as a manual by the officer in the field and is an excellent text on traffic control for use in the police training school. It is a valuable addition to the literature on police subjects and can be enthusiastically recommended.

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