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Dear Members:

134 minus 6, plus 27.....equals 155 members in the California Association of Criminalists as of this date.

Contrast this with the total of 79 members listed in the December, 1967, roster and you have an almost 100% increase in membership in just over four years.

An obvious problem that comes with growth is one of communications between the general membership and those who were elected to conduct the business of the Association; i.e., the Board of Directors. That's where the Regional Board of Directors come in..... together with their principal vehicle for information exchange, the monthly regional meetings.

Throughout the coming year, make it a point to communicate....with Jerry Mitosinka in the North and with Chuck Morton in the South.

> (s) Anthony Longhetti President

#### ASSOCIATION NEWS

#### JACK VILLAUDY

It is with great regret that the California Association of Criminalists has learned of the sudden death of one of its members, Mr. Jack Villaudy. Mr. Villaudy had been a well known toxicologist in the Southern Section of the CAC for many years and presented several papers at the biannual meetings.

He served as a toxicologist for the Los Angeles County Medical Examiner-Coroner's Office for nearly fifteen years where he made many contributions in the field of toxicology. The most widely adopted of these is the pH distribution of barbiturates and subsequent reading of the third UV curve to determine long and short acting barbiturates.

Mr. Villaudy will be greatly missed by the members of the CAC and by his colleagues.

- Edward Thompson

RESULTS OF MANPOWER SURVEY: Jerry Chisum has announced that the Manpower Survey has been completed and has supplied the following data:

### CRIME LABORATORIES

	County	Now	Open	Open 72-73	Other
l.	Alameda	8	0	1	2 Technician positions
2.	Contra Costa	7	l	0	
3.	Kern	3	0	l	
4.	Los Angeles	26	0	0	
5.	Orange	8	0	2	5 more possible - grants
6.	Riverside	4	0	0	will be incorporated by
7.	Sacramento	6	0	l	State
8.	San Bernardino	8	0	0	l PEP
9.	San Diego	3	0	1	need 3 - more if regionalized

	County	Now	Open	Open 72 <b>-</b> 73	Other
10.		5	0	1	need 4 (4 PEP)
11.	San Mateo	3	0	0	need l
	Santa Barbara	0	1	-	no lab as yet
12.	Santa Clara	7	0	l	need 4 additional
13.	Ventura	5	0	2	2 more by attrition
	City				
14.	El Cajon	1	0	0	
15.	Huntington Beach	l	0	0	
16.	Long Beach	2	0	l	72-73 not approved yet
17.	Los Angeles	20	0	5+6	5 are by attrition 6 more in unapproved budget
18.	Oakland	3	0	0	(1 PEP) need 1 drug chemist
19.	San Diego	6	1	l	(1 PEP) 3 tech. open 72-73
20.	Santa Ana	l	0	0	
21.	West Covina	1	0	0	Citrus Judicial District
	State				
22.	D.O.J., Bureau of Technical Services	12	0	25	15/year for 3 years
	Total	140	3	41+6	

# TOXICOLOGY LABORATORIES

## Now

Other

23. Los Angeles Co. Coroner Now

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\*Orange County 3 Coroner

\*Sacramento Cor. 2

24. San Diego Cor. 4 1/2

25. San Mateo Cor. 3

## FEDERAL LABORATORIES

26. BNDD

27. Customs

- 27 established forensic labs (for government) in California
- 1 to be established this year in Santa Barbara County
- 2 to be established this year by State in Fresno County and Shasta County
- 30 labs by 1973 State to establish 3 more in areas where none exist by 1975.

There are approximately 180 professionals employed in the Forensic Sciences in the State of California. By 1975 this number will increase to more than 250 forensic scientists employed in laboratories devoted to criminal justice.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS, JOURNAL OF FORENSIC SCIENCES. CAC members are reminded that address corrections SHOULD NOT be sent to the CAC Editorial Secretary. Instead, send these corrections directly to the Secretary, The Forensic Science Society, 107 Fenchurch Street, London EC 3M 5JB, England, preferably with the address label from the Journal.

Other

\* not separate lab

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<u>NEW CAC MEMBERS</u>. New CAC members are reminded that the Journal subscription for new members is prepaid one year in advance. As a result, new members will receive the Journal approximately one year after acceptance as a member of CAC.

<u>CRIMINALISTS WITH HAM RADIOS</u>. S. S. Kind and Alan Curry have informed Jerry Mitosinka that they are interested in communicating with California Criminalists via "ham" radio. Those Criminalists who are interested should write directly to Dr. Kind.

## TECHNICAL NOTES

THE GAS CHROMATOGRAPHIC DETERMINATION OF MORPHINE. The gas chromatographic determination of morphine as its heroin derivative as published by Wallace (Clin. Chem. Acta, 36:85-91, 1972) has been successfully employed by the Criminalistics Laboratory and the Toxicology Laboratory of the Orange County Sheriff-Coroner. The method was modified by using trifluoperazine as the internal standard and changing the derivatization volumes to 0.15 ml pyridine and 0.35 ml acetic anhydride. Fortified samples containing as little as 0.3 micrograms total morphine have been chromatographed. Blood samples (post mortem) containing 1-5 micrograms percent have been analyzed using 50 - 300 ml samples.

Morphine spots off TLC have been eluted and derivatized for GC by this procedure and, conversely, urine extracts have been derivatized directly and gas chromatographed, the residue then hydrolyzed with NH<sub>2</sub>OH and thin-layer chromatographed as morphine.

(Procedure submitted by James White and Dwight Reed)

#### LEGISLATIVE NEWS

CALIFORNIA COUNCIL ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE. By an overwhelming vote (45 to 7) the Assembly approved a bill by Assemblyman Robert W. Crown (D-Alameda) to abolish the California Council on Criminal Justice, which is charged with distribution of federal anti-crime funds. Crown's measure would abolish the present Council and create a five-man board of full time professionals to be called the California Criminal Justice Board. (Information submitted by Robert Cooper)

(Editor's note: According to The Register, the bill is scheduled to be heard in the Senate Judiciary Committee the early part of July)

### ANNOUNCEMENT OF POSITIONS AND APPLICANTS

## Criminalist I or II. County of Orange.

Salary Range: Criminalist I. \$ 946 - \$1,179 per month Criminalist II. \$1,246 - \$1,553 per month

Two positions will be open on 1 July, 1972, and may be filled at either level, I or II. Contact W. Jack Cadman, Chief Criminalist, for information as soon as possible as interviews are being conducted now.

Criminalist. County of Santa Barbara.

Salary: \$14,892 - \$18,096 annually. Applications are available at the County Personnel Office, 137 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara 93101.

#### Criminalist I and Criminalist II. California Department of Justice.

Salary Range: Criminalist I. \$ 973 - \$1,183\* Criminalist II. \$1,074 - \$1,305\*

\* George Puddy, Assistant Director, announced that a general increase above the salaries listed above is expected to become effective on 1 July, 1972.

Apply: California State Personnel Board, Sacramento, Los Angeles, or San Francisco.

Supervising Criminalist, Contra Costa County.

Salary Range: \$1,212 - \$1,474 \*

- \* This salary may have been increased since the notice was received.
- Apply: Contra Costa County Employment Office 651 Pine Street, Martinez, 94553

#### NEW BOOKS AND SELECTED REFERENCES

Journal of Chromatographic Science, May, 1972. Special Issue -Analysis of Drugs of Abuse. Single price copy \$5.00. Preston Technical Abstracts Co. Post Office Box 312, Niles, Ill. 60648

Actions of Alcohol, vol. I and Vol. 2, Henrik Wallgren & Herbert Barry III, Else vier Publishing Co., NY. \$67.20 pp.

Hallucinogenic Drugs, F. Christine Brown, Charles C. Thomas Co., 1972, 154 pages

Clinical Toxicology, C. H. Thienes & T. J. Haley, 5th ed., 1972, Lea and Febriger

Drugs, Society, and Human Behavior, Oakley S. Ray, 1972, 299 pages (paper bound) C. V. Mosby Co., St. Louis.

(The above list of new reference books was furnished by W. Jack Cadman).

# ANNOUNCEMENT OF STATE, NATIONAL, AND INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS

CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF TOXICOLOGISTS. San Jose. 29 July, 1972. Contact Bryan Finkle for information. The program for the meeting will be the use of GC/MS in forensic toxicology.

CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF CRIMINALISTS. 19-21 October, 1972. Mansion Inn, 16th and H Sts., Sacramento. Contact: Allan Gilmore, Seminar Chairman, Laboratory of Criminalistics, Office of the District Attorney, Sacramento.

SIXTH INTERNATIONAL MEETING IN FORENSIC SCIENCES. Edinburgh, Scotland. September 21-26, 1972. Contact: T. K. Marshall, M.D., Institute of Pathology, Grosvenor Road, Belfast, Northern Ireland.

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF FORENSIC SCIENCES. 19-23 February, 1973. Las Vegas, Nevada, Hilton International Hotel. Bryan Finkle, Program Chairman, has announced that the program for the toxicology section is now complete. However, Ted Elzerman, Chairman of the Criminalistics Section, is still accepting papers. Any criminalist who wishes to give a paper in the Criminalistics Section meeting should contact Ted Elzerman and Bryan Finkle as soon as possible and give them the title of the paper and the names of the authors. Abstracts must be submitted to Bryan Finkle no later than 30 September, 1972, otherwise the paper will not be accepted for presentation.

It has been a pleasure serving you this past year. As you know, Miss Jan Bashinski, our Recording Secretary, now has the responsibility of publishing the CAC Newsletter along with numerous other official responsibilities. This is no easy task without the help of the members. The Newsletter should serve an important function, that of disseminating information to all members. How successful the Newsletter is in carrying out this function depends on the members. Please send any and all information of interest to Miss Bashinski.

- Robert Cravey