

POLICE DEPARTMENT

CITY OF NEW YORK

New York, April 22, 1914.

GENERAL ORDER NO. 19.

The following members of the Force have been awarded medals for deeds of conspicuous bravery performed during the year 1914 :

THE DEPARTMENT MEDAL OF HONOR

Lieutenant George Haerle, Detective Bureau

Lieutenant Haerle, after his partner, Detective Joseph Guarnieri, had been shot and killed, went into a dark room, where the murderer was hiding, to arrest him. The murderer, William Horgan, had previously shot a man who was witness in a criminal action against Horgan's son.

The detectives of the 39th Precinct found out that Horgan was hiding on the top floor of the tenement house at 1880 Second Avenue. Haerle and Guarnieri were sent to this house. The hour was late. They mounted the stairs and demanded admittance.

The occupant of the apartment refused them admittance, and while Lieutenant Haerle was dealing with her, Guarnieri entered the apartment and started to search the rooms for Horgan. As he pushed aside a portiere which screened the front room, Horgan, who was concealed there, shot and instantly killed him. Haerle then entered the room where the dead body of his murdered comrade was lying. Horgan fired again at Haerle. Guided by the flash, Haerle shot at Horgan and killed him.

Ten Police Heroes Died in Year In Performance of Their Duty

Ten policemen have lost their lives in the performance of their duties in the last twelve months. Eight of these were killed outright or mortally wounded while making arrests, and of the other two one sacrificed his life stopping a runaway and the other in halting a flying automobile. The list of these police heroes is as follows:

CHARLES J. TEARE and WILLIAM B. HEANEY, patrolmen of the Mulberry street station, shot and killed on May 3, 1913, in front of No. 243 Mulberry street in attempting to arrest Oresto Sciallitani, who had killed John Rizzo.

PATRICK COTTER, probationary patrolman of the Bathgate avenue station. Killed Aug. 4, 1913, attempting to arrest a man who had shot a woman.

JOSEPH M'NIERNEY, sergeant, East Fifty-first street station, stabbed Oct. 3, 1913, by an Italian who had insulted a girl in an elevated railroad train at Nineteenth street and First avenue. He died a few days later in Bellevue Hospital.

EDWARD A. MURTHA, patrolman of the Butler street station, Brooklyn, shot and killed Feb. 6, 1914, in a gun fight following his attempt to arrest an Italian.

THOMAS WYNN, patrolman of the Gates avenue station, Brooklyn, shot on March 6, 1914, while arresting a burglar. He died on March 31 following.

JOSEPH GUARNIERI, detective sergeant of the East One Hundred and Fourth street station, shot and killed April 2, 1914, at Ninety-seventh street and Second avenue, attempting to arrest William Horgan, who had shot Charles Moser, a saloon keeper.

MICHAEL J. KILEY, patrolman of the Claason avenue station, Brooklyn, shot and killed to-day while attempting the arrest of a robber.

BERNARD O'ROURKE, patrolman of the Bergen street station, Brooklyn, died Aug. 1, 1913, from injuries received in stopping a runaway team.

EUGENE BURNS, patrolman of the West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street station, killed May 5, 1913, stopping a flying automobile.