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Improvement of Law Enforcement At Local Level Sought by State

By VINCENT THOMAS Assemblyman, 68th District Continued improvement in the quality of our local law en-forcement is the primary ob-jective of another important new California law which went into effect Sept. 18th. It estable grants under it to cooperating cities and counties. Revenues for this fund will be derived entrely from a five per cent penalty assessment which will be added to all fines, penalties and forfeitures imposed by every California court for all criminal offenses, except viola-training in the department of grants to cities and counties by the commission for recruit-ment and training of peace of ficers. The new act is the culmina-tion of years of research and

ment and training of peace of ficers. The new act is the culmination of years of research and legislative effort on the part of interested organizations, is well as by us legislators. It is the first legislative recognition that vocational training in the proper enforcement of state laws s a matter of state laws is a leveled at the bill during its legislative consideration based on the slightly illogical apprehenson that its enactement might lead to a "police state." THE COMMISSION which will have nine members, each appointed by the Governor for a three year term with the advice and consent of the Senata and the attorney-general. Under the law, five of the members must be sheriffs, chiefs of police, or peace officers and the attorney-general. Under the law, five of the members each of police, or peace officers directly officials, and two county officials, and two county officials. In addition to the usual pow-

 officials.
In addition to the usual powers given a state agency so it can carry on its work, the new to commission has been given the special task of adopting rules, which establish minimum standards for mental, physical and moral fitness which will apply to recruitment of peace officers by any city or county the law, and standards for the training. Such rules can be adopted only after public hearings as required by other provisions of state law.
IN ESTABLISHING its standards for training, the commission is specifically authorized to permit the training it educational institutions which it approves. It is also authorized to make whatever investing atoms may be necessary to the emission make be necessary to tate aid under the programaturally live up to the standards for the ingent the training it gattors may be necessary to and counties who sign up for state aid under the programaturally live up to the standards program the law sets up a special.
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Garden Checklist

By California Association of Nurserymen

(1) Lawns will benefit by feeding now to green them up for winter. You can set the cutting blades on your mower to cut closer as cool weather approaches.

(2) Snails and slugs become more active as cool weather comes on. Bait to stop them before they get a foothold.

(3) Use soil conditioners now to break up compacted areas. Work the soil to the condition you want it and mix the conditioner in to keep it that way.

(4) Clean up spent annuals in your garden and burn them. Check with your nurserymen about winter annuals to take their place.

(5) Plant perennials from nursery flats for bloom next spring. Work the ground well before you plant them. They do better when soil is dug to more than a foot than they do with only a nominal spading.



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