shall thereupon be entitled to the pay, allowances, duties, powers and incidents of men of the respective ranks as now provided by law and regulation, and the Police Commissioners may designate one Sergeant of the force as Assistant Superintendent of the force, who shall perform the duties and have the powers incidental to such an office, and shall act as superintendent in the absence of the Superintendent.

416B. That the Police Commissioners are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to appoint during the duration of the war and six months after its termination, as fixed by the provisions of Section 10 of Chapter 602 of the Acts of Assembly of Maryland for 1943, such special members of the police force as may be necessary for the welfare and safety of the County and its residents during the period of the war and its aftermath, such members to hold the rank of "Private" in the police force, to receive the pay provided for that rank, but not to be eligible nor included in the pension system now provided for regular members of the force. Such special members shall be appointed without the examination now required for members of the regular force, and their terms of office or employment shall expire at the end of the period herein set out.

416C. All members of the police force, including regular members and special members as provided by Section 416B, shall receive a permanent increase in salary equal to fifteen per cent (15%) of the pay to which they would be entitled under law at present, and hereafter desk clerks shall receive the same salary as Privates who have passed their period of probation. All police officers shall receive an additional \$40.00 (forty dollars) per annum allowance for uniforms.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1945.

Approved April 27, 1945.

CHAPTER 901.

(House Bill 805)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 184 of Article 10 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Dorchester County", sub-title "Taxes", as said section was amended by Chapter 828 of the Acts of 1943, increasing the salary of the Assistant Treasurer of Dorchester County.