

## This Is A Round The Clock Crew

One of the round-the-clock departments most important to the welfare and safety of the citizens, is the Electrical Department. It keeps the street lights in order, maintains the traffic lights and is ready any minute of the day or night to repair a police or fire radio.

Probably the only time the department comes into public attention is when its high ladder truck is seen changing a street light. It did this 169 times last year, together with its four-time re-lamping and washing of the street lights.

The city maintains 877 street lights and the Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co., maintains 632, making for 1,509 lights carrying the latest approved lamps and bringing top lighting to every street.

In his report of the Electrical Department activities for 1957 John Reid, chief electrician, also reports that in addition to the quarterly check of the city's 107 traffic lights, 2,445 lamps were replaced on traffic signals. Twelve traffic signals in operation more than 20 years were replaced with new units.

Within the next few months the department will install 28 new traffic signal controller boxes, already ordered.

Police-Fire control boxes are also the responsibility of the Electrical Department which checked the 41 boxes four times and maintains a continuing check on the 29 radio units in police and fire equipment.

In addition to these routines, the department has a busy schedule ahead. When the weather breaks, it plans to install "No" left turn traffic signs at the following intersections: Euclid at Lakeview, Euclid at Superior, Euclid at Taylor, Euclid at Noble, Noble at Terrace and Shaw at Hayden.

Before the snow flies in the fall, the department will install flood lights on Ski Hill in Forest Hill Park.