

Law enforcement exam 1 study notes

1. Social order (2 ways)
 - a. Conflict perspective
 - i. Small groups of power dictates law; social advantages lead to control
 - b. Consensus perspective
 - i. Common value system; people agree on standards of behavior
2. Norms
 - a. Mores
 - i. major norms (10 commandments, prohibition against murder)
 - b. Folkways
 - i. Minor norms (etiquette, niceties)
3. Controlling social behavior
 - a. Informally
 - i. Praise, recognition, gossip, ostracism
 - b. Formally
 - i. Law, criminal justice system
4. Social development (switch from Gemeinschaft to Gesellschaft)
 - a. Gemeinschaft
 - i. Social relations between individuals, based on close personal family ties, community
 - b. Gesellschaft
 - i. Social relations based on impersonal ties, as duty to a society or organization
5. Durkheims model
 - a. Emphasis on growth and expansion
 - b. Divisions of labor was being created because populations started to grow. People would now do specific jobs so society would benefit; people could become more specialized (milk man, farmers market, etc. vs farming yourself, or having your own dairy cow)
 - c. How we live in society today
6. Early England
 - a. People lived in villages or "tuns"
 - b. Policing was through a form of self-policing for the public (like a national guard)
 - i. Tithings: group of 10 policing males
 - ii. Hue-and-cry: people could cry for help and all these men would immediately drop what they were doing and help
 - iii. Hundred: 10 tithings
 - iv. Shire: county
 - v. Reeve: Person in charge of "hundred"
 - vi. Shire reeve...sheriffs (that's where the word derived from because they would police an entire county)
 - vii. Statute of Winchester
 1. Created a militia (Assize of Arms for and by the townsfolk)
 2. Formalized the hue-and-cry response
7. Growing England
 - a. Faced the challenge of urban growth

- b. Night watch system was put in place
 - c. Paid policing
 - d. Entrepreneurial avocational: get paid, but not full time job
8. Sir Robert Peele
- a. Father of modern policing
 - b. Policing ideals we still use today
 - c. London metro police act (1829)
 - i. Established metro police of London replacing the disorganized system of watchmen
 - d. 3 major concerns
 - i. Weapons: to arm the police or not
 - ii. Uniform: distinctive garb or plain clothes
 - iii. Activity: public patrol on undercover
9. Developing America
- a. Daytime and nighttime watch police
 - b. Philadelphia adopted daytime policing in 1833
 - c. Boston in 1838
 - d. By 1870 all major cities had 24 hour police departments
 - e. Line of duty deaths
 - f. Political appointments
 - g. Labor strikes
 - h. Corruption, insensitivity, ineffectiveness
10. The frontier
- a. Gold rush
 - b. Vigilante police
 - c. Socially constructive model
 - d. Socially destructive model
11. Some Terms:
- a. Task force: is a unit or formation established to work on a single defined **task** or activity
 - b. Blue ribbon commission: is a group of exceptional people appointed to investigate or study or analyze a given question.
 - c. Review committee
12. Wickersham Commission (1931)
- a. Third degree
 - i. Torture and deprivation tactics
 - ii. Coerced and involuntary statements
 - iii. Pre-cursor to the Miranda (1966) decision
 - b. Minimum standards
 - i. "over 7% of the police force in this country are not mentally fit for duty"
 - ii. Brawn dominated over brain in officer selection
 - iii. No background investigations or record checks
 - c. Political patronage
 - i. Post-election "spoils system"
 - ii. No pre-service job training

- iii. No weapons qualification
- d. Wireless radios
 - i. Replaced the old fashioned light or siren system (sirens used to help officers know when other officers need help and used to just follow the sounds)
 - ii. Response time now an operational concept
- 13. President commission
 - a. Establishing the commission
 - b. Extremely poor police-community relations
 - c. Need to upgrade personnel quality
 - i. Officer education
 - ii. Higher salaries
 - d. Minority recruitment
 - i. Community service officers
 - ii. Police officer
 - iii. Police agent
 - e. Pre-service training needed
- 14. The Kerner Report (1968)
 - a. Civil disorder rampant
 - i. 164 race riots in the first 9 months of 1967
 - b. Hostile race relation
 - i. Brutality, harassment, discourtesy
 - ii. More tolerant postures in ghetto areas
 - iii. No adequate complaint process
 - iv. Few minority officers
 - c. Police riots
 - i. Officers would not arrest the person they just abused so they in turn would be no actual record of it ever happening and they would also not receive any medical assistance
 - ii. No report file=it never technically happened
- 15. Standards and goals (1973)
 - a. Civilianization important to future policing
 - b. Education, training, portable radios (as opposed to just car radios for backup and communications within force)
 - c. Chief and sheriffs now in executive leadership
 - i. But
 - 1. 16% in office less than 1 year
 - 2. 11% had not completed their second year in office
 - 3. 13% had served fewer than 3 years
 - 4. This all means less than half of the leadership for policing has been in officer very minimal years
 - 5. Bad or inadequate leadership leads to bad policing
- 16. Knapp commission (1972)
 - a. The serpico story (police corruption)
 - b. Meat eaters