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Thursday night, July 27<sup>th</sup>, Patrolman Ronald Kinkade suffered knee injuries when his motorcycle tipped over while he was escorting a Seafair Caravan through West Seattle. Seafair Princess Beverly Stevens, a registered nurse, administered first aid and accompanied Kinkade to Virginia Mason Hospital. On August 2nd, Kinkade and fellow officers of the Motorcycle Drill Team found time between Seafair activities to show their appreciation by showering Princess Beverly with candy, flowers, a "thank you" card, and a kiss on the cheek, (for the benefit of the press), in ceremonies at University Plaza.



# CHIEF'S MESSAGE

Great strides toward the professionalization of Police Departments have been made in the past few years. The high standards required for police recruits, the intensive training which all members of the department must undergo, and the police services provided the City of Seattle demonstrate most emphatically our progress toward this goal.



Throughout the years we have had to work hard to make and to keep our Police Department one in which we could take great pride. An obstacle with which we have had to contend has been that of low wages.

In contending with this problem, the police administrator must work in unison with his men. Neither publicity nor pressure groups can accomplish this purpose. It can only be achieved through cooperative actions. In an effort to secure a wage increase, I have recently attended meetings with Mayor Gordon S. Clinton and the Finance Chairman of the Seattle City Council. As a result of these meetings, I am happy to report that there will be a reasonably substantial increase next year in our Police Department budget which will allow for an increase in salaries.

When we first joined the police department, we knew that our work in the field of law enforcement would not be in a 40 hour week that would begin and end regularly with a large check. We realized that satisfaction would not be monetary and would have to come largely from the work, itself. Through our cooperative efforts; however, and the assistance of our City Council, we may soon achieve an adequate pay scale commensurate with our highly professional work.

MONTHLY QUOTE....."THERE WAS A WISE MAN WHOSE CONSTANT PRAYER WAS THAT HE MIGHT SEE TODAY WITH THE EYES OF TOMORROW."

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### COMMENDATIONS

Heading our "Commendations" column this month is the following letter, simple & forthright in its intentions..

DEAR SIR:

"It may, or may not, be proved that a policeman was unnecessarily rough.

I am an old woman, living alone in my own little house. I would not dare to live here alone, if it were not for the reliable Seattle Police.

In the 27 years I have lived here, I remember the times the police have answered calls.

One night a brick fell out of the fireplace chimney. The noise woke me. I was terrified, and I did not stop quaking until the police looked the place over. Then, did they scold me for making an unnecessary call? No. They told me that when I was frightened the thing to do was to call the police. A couple of days later, when another brick dropped, I learned what had scared me.

When the boys were breaking my windows, you wrote me a letter, which, when needed I showed to the boys. They were persuaded to play in the play yard. That was a paved, fenced, safe place for them to enjoy themselves, and I was spared the expense of replacing broken glass.

Of late, misfortune befell me. Late at night, when I fell, the police came, picked me up as if I were a rag doll, & set me back on my sofa. They were gracious about it. Now that I get about so badly, I can leave my door unlocked so that if I need help, help can get in without breaking down the door. If there were not a good police force, that would be unthinkable.

I remember two policemen came upon robbers breaking into the Branch Office of the Seattle First National Bank. The policemen were shot. I never heard of those murderers paying for the lives of those faithful officers.

My young neighbor is applying for appointment as a Cadet. If he gets the appointment, he will be joining a distinguished force. He told me, "If I get it, I'll be a good Policeman."

I do not want the policemen to take unnecessary risk

SARAH HAYWARD



Officer Dana Shearn and the Special Patrol Squad were commended by Chief F.C. Ramon and Deputy Chief A. A. Kretchmar for courageous police actions.....

"The work done by the Special Patrol Squad in combating the increase in Robberies in the North End has culminated in the shooting of the robber immediately upon his leaving the scene of his crime.

The Officers of the Special Patrol Squad & the Sergeants are commended for the effort expended against this problem. 788 man hours were devoted by this Squad against the Robbery incidents in the North End area.

Officer Dana T. Shearn #1641 is especially commended for his quick thinking in letting the robber gain access to the street before commanding him to halt. Had this action taken place inside the store several people would have been placed in the line of fire and may have been injured or killed in the ensuing gunfire.

Officer Shearn, in the face of imminent danger from the Robber's fully loaded and cocked 45 cal. automatic pointed at him, fired one shot before the robber could fire at the Officer. Shearn reacted to a most critical situation in a very intelligent, calculated manner that is a credit to himself and the training he has received from the Seattle Police Department."

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The District Attorney of the County of New York, Mr. Frank S. Hogan, wrote thanking for the efficient and expeditious apprehension of Joseph Greene (wanted for crimes of conspiracy and bribery especially in that of corruption in college basketball). This assistance was rendered by Dets. Ivan Cross & Joseph Shaneyfelt.

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Following is an excerpt from the Denver Post Newspaper. This article sent to us by its author, Mr. Lee R. Henry, Jr. of Denver, Colorado bears reading.....

"POLICE "P.R." SUFFERS"

"As a former Police Officer, I realize how a few men, less than 1/73 of the Police Department can arraign an already hostile public against the Department.

I am aware that approximately 13 nurses in a general hospital in a large West Coast city are prostitutes, but when you consider the hundreds of women wearing those



uniforms, if you condemn nurses as a whole what a tragic thing it would be to the honest, self-sacrificing women in that category.

There are proven thieves amongst the labor leaders; but it would not be fair to a vast honest group of labor leaders to say they were all that way.

In all vocations, one will find about the same ratio prevalent of those who seem to want to live outside the law.

Now, take the vote on police pay by the public. The felonious elements of the department incensed the public mind against the uniformed department, but consider the honest men in the department, their wives and their children, and you will see the injustice of such thinking.

The presence of these uniformed men prevent many assassinations, burglaries, and hold ups. Withdraw them from either the day or night and see what an anarchial state of affairs you would have.

These men pursue their course with an even bravery and give their lives in the cause of law and order."

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Seattle's citizens wrote many letters of appreciation for services rendered by Police Officers: R.E. La-Tour; J.L. Philbrick; G.E. Miller; Lt. Hulman; Sgt. D. Haley and Officer Ralph Palmer; Policewomen Karen Ejde and Noreen Hartsfield (2); Officers S.D. Smith; E.H. Rasmussen (2); R.D. McNeilly and Ed Biers; J.F. Free-land; G.Grosvenor; W.K. Giddings; and J. Ehli.

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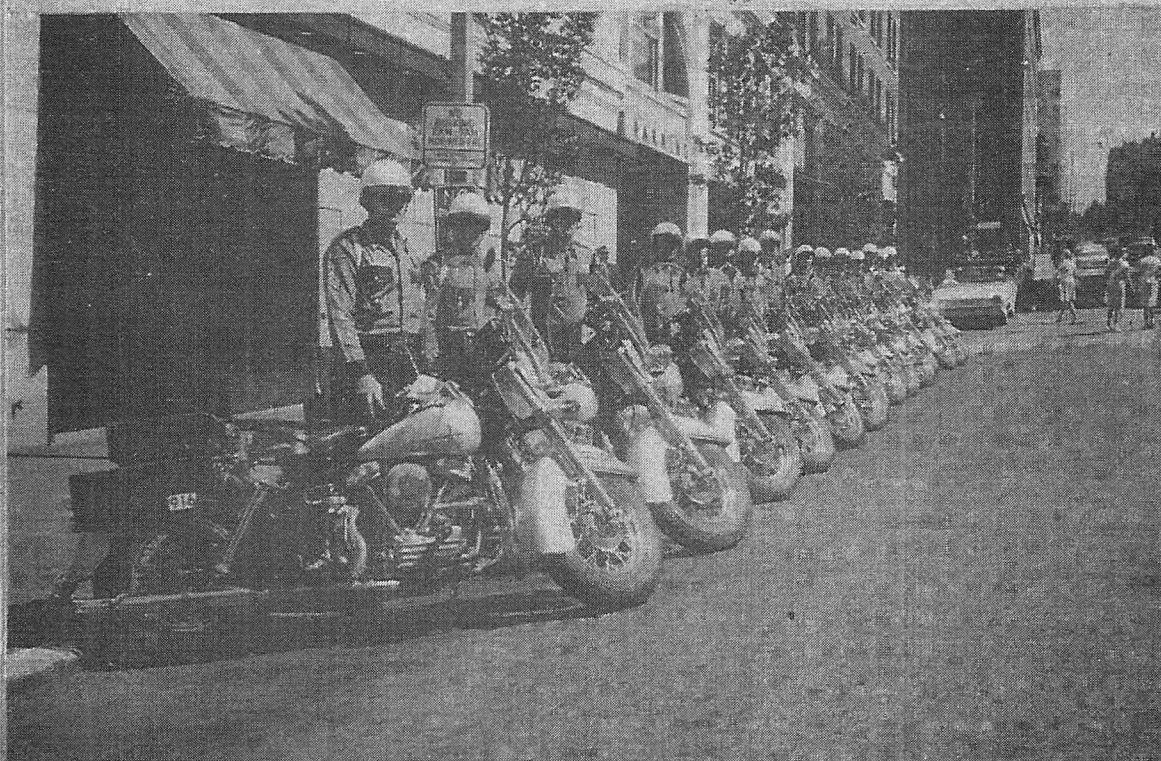
ISN'T IT FUNNY....."WHEN THE OTHER FELLOW TAKES A LONG TIME TO DO SOMETHING, HE'S SLOW. BUT WHEN I TAKE A LONG TIME TO DO SOMETHING, I'M THOROUGH. WHEN THE OTHER FELLOW DOESN'T DO IT, HE'S TOO LAZY. BUT WHEN I DON'T DO IT, I'M TOO BUSY. WHEN THE OTHER FELLOW DOES SOMETHING THAT PLEASES THE BOSS, HE'S POLISHING THE BRASS. BUT WHEN I DO SOMETHING THAT PLEASES THE BOSS, THAT'S CO-OPERATION. WHEN THE OTHER FELLOW GETS AHEAD, HE SURE HAD THE LUCKY BREAKS. BUT WHEN I MANAGE TO GET AHEAD, MAN! HARD WORK DID THAT! FUNNY, ISN'T IT?"

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Lt. Mc Millin cuts the cake at a recent retirement party given in his honor at Prec. 2.



Congratulations to the Motorcycle Drill Team under Sgt. Ray Carroll for a job efficiently done during the 10 hectic days of Seafair.



## AROUND THE DEPARTMENT

FISHING DERBY.....Calling all Fishermen! Now's your chance to prove that that fish was re-u-lly that long & that big. All you have to do is try your luck in the annual Fishing Derby to be held Monday, August 21st from 5:15 A.M. to 9:30 A.M. out of RAY'S BOATHOUSE in Ballard. \$1.00 entry fee includes breakfast served at 10:30 A.M. at Golden Gardens. Prizes will be awarded following the morning's fishing. Make your reservations now at the Property Room or any of the Pcts. Entry & boat reservations should be in by August 18th.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION.....Seattle Police Officer Al Wilding has been strongly recommended for the PRESIDENT'S MEDAL OF THE NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL. Officer Wilding saved the life of a drowning 8 yr. old boy by mouth-to-mouth resuscitation at a City Light Picnic, July 15th.

Fred Huleen, President of the Seattle-King County Chapter of the National Safety Council, said the revived youngster was James W. Hendrick, a non-swimmer who only recently recovered from pneumonia. He was found lying on the bottom near a slide exit & carried ashore by the regular lifeguard. Officer Wilding administered resuscitation for several minutes before the youngster began breathing regularly.

"This is an excellent example," Mr. Huleen said, "of the efforts above and beyond the call of duty turned in regularly by members of the Seattle Police Department. We are most happy to recommend Officer Wilding to the Awards Committee." The PRESIDENT'S MEDAL is awarded by the National Safety Council only for successful resuscitation in cases where the victim would have died without this assistance.

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SIGALERT SCORES.....Recently a supply of dangerous cartridges were stolen & a Sigalert bulletin was broadcast as the cartridges were likely to "blow-up." That same day, the owner called to report the stolen property as recovered. SIGALERT had caused the return of this potential death threat.

PROMOTION CONGRATULATIONS....to the brothers Larry & Dick Watson who were both promoted to the rank of Lt. on the same day.



## HOSPITAL PLAN REPORT

Due to rising medical costs, the Hospital Plan Board has decided to maintain present health coverage & adjust the premiums on September 1, 1961. The increase will be \$1.00 per month for each chargeable dependent, (wife and first two children). Monthly dues will be payroll deduction, as follows:

Members and Associate Member.....	\$1.00
Member's spouse.....	\$6.00
First dependent child under 19.....	\$3.00
Second dependent child under 19.....	\$3.00
All other dependent children under 19.....	Free
Dependent children over 19, each.....	\$4.00
Retired member.....	\$6.00
Retired member's spouse.....	\$6.00

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"TAX-EVADER: A MAN WHO POSSESSES UNTOLD WEALTH."  
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## UNION NEWS

The last meeting was called to order by Pat McGuire. It was stated that President Fred Keenan had attended a recent meeting of the City Council regarding a pay increase.

Pat Murphy reported that the Banquet held recently at the S.P.A.A. Pavilion for members of the Babe Ruth & Little League teams was a huge success.

It was announced that the petition calling for a rotation of 2nd & 3rd Patrol shifts a month earlier than usual will not go into effect.

JACKPOT...\$77.80 won by Sam Buckley, but not present  
DOOR PRIZE...\$4.40 won by Vic Heins  
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## DEPARTMENT TARGET SHOOT RESULTS

The Department Average of 166.23 attained in the May, 1961 Shoot is considerably below the September, 1960 average of 185.26. This however was because a new course was initiated. The Detective Division with the high division average of 170.22 won the Departmental Trophy.

WILL YOUR DIVISION WIN THE TROPHY NEXT??  
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The increased vehicular traffic in Seattle during the Summer of 1962 will make the Police Officer's job more difficult. Because of the remote parking program, some visitors may obtain the impression that we are directing them away from the World's Fair. Therefore, Chief Ramon has decided that Officers working on the Fair grounds should wear Seattle Police uniforms. These Officers will have ample opportunity to assist visitors and make them feel welcome. We hope that the visitor will leave with the impression that the Seattle Police are top notch professionals. Were we to use entirely different uniforms inside, they might feel that the Seattle Police and the Fair Police were two different groups with two separate attitudes. The performance & the attitude of the Police Officer at Century 21 will play a big role in the success or failure of our World's Fair as well as determining the reputation of our own Department.

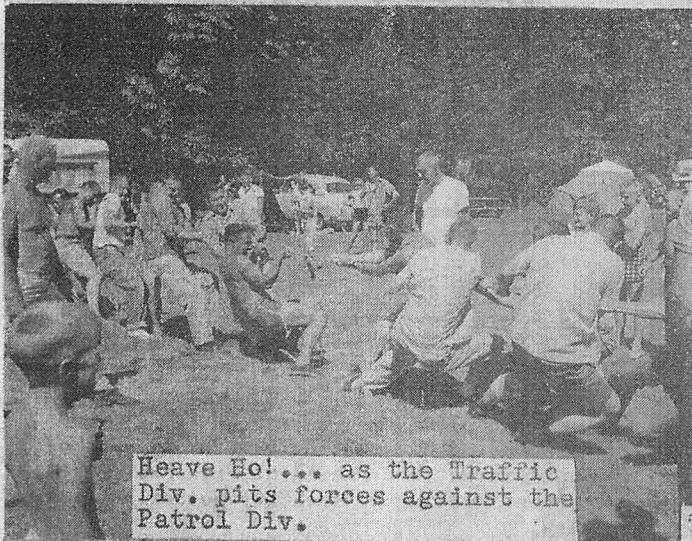
Since most of the police posts at the Exposition will be outside in the hot sun (we hope to have lots of hot sun), there is some thought being given to providing Century 21 Officers with a headpiece that would be lighter & cooler than the black cloth caps now a part of our uniform. This would have to be a headpiece that would be acceptable to the Officers who will be wearing them as well as Seattle Police administration and Century 21 officials.

Any Seattle Police Officer who thinks he would enjoy having extra employment at the Fair while remaining on his present Police Department assignment should obtain an off-duty work permit, Form 1.30, in duplicate & submit it to your Division Chief. Mark the second copy for "Room 321." All personnel approved by the Department for off-duty work will be considered for regular off-duty employment during 1962. Indicate on the form that this is "Intermittent work on C-21 site." Let's get those applications in soon.

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"BEHAVE LIKE A DUCK. BE CALM AND UNRUFFLED ON THE  
SURFACE - BUT PADDLE LIKE THE DICKENS UNDERNEATH."  
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# POLICE PICNIC



Heave Ho!... as the Traffic Div. pits forces against the Patrol Div.



Three of "Seattle's Finest"



Kathy Honz finds picnics very tiring.



Sgt. Joe Haley won the "Beer Belly Contest" with a mere 50 inches.



Come on in.. the waters fine.

# D I V I S I O N    C H A T T E R

## HARBOR POLICE

There is a new high in enforcement and traffic control in the Seattle Harbor. From the observer's seat in the "Whirly-bird" it is a very easy matter to spot those violators on water skis who buzz the docks; the boats towing water skiers without an observer; and to spot those water-borne hot-rodders who don't know (?) there is a speed restriction in the harbor.

When a violation is sighted, the pilot notifies the Harbor Police boats assigned to the area of the exact location, description of the violator's craft, and of the violation committed. If no Harbor Police Unit is in the area, the 'copter hovers over the violator & brings them to a halt until the Harbor Unit arrives & cites the violator. A comment from a startled violator after being stopped by the 'copter in Union Bay & cited for buzzing the docks. "Gee! Where can we go now? You've got us covered from land, sea, and now by air!" Officer's reply.. "You don't have to go anywhere, just obey the laws here."

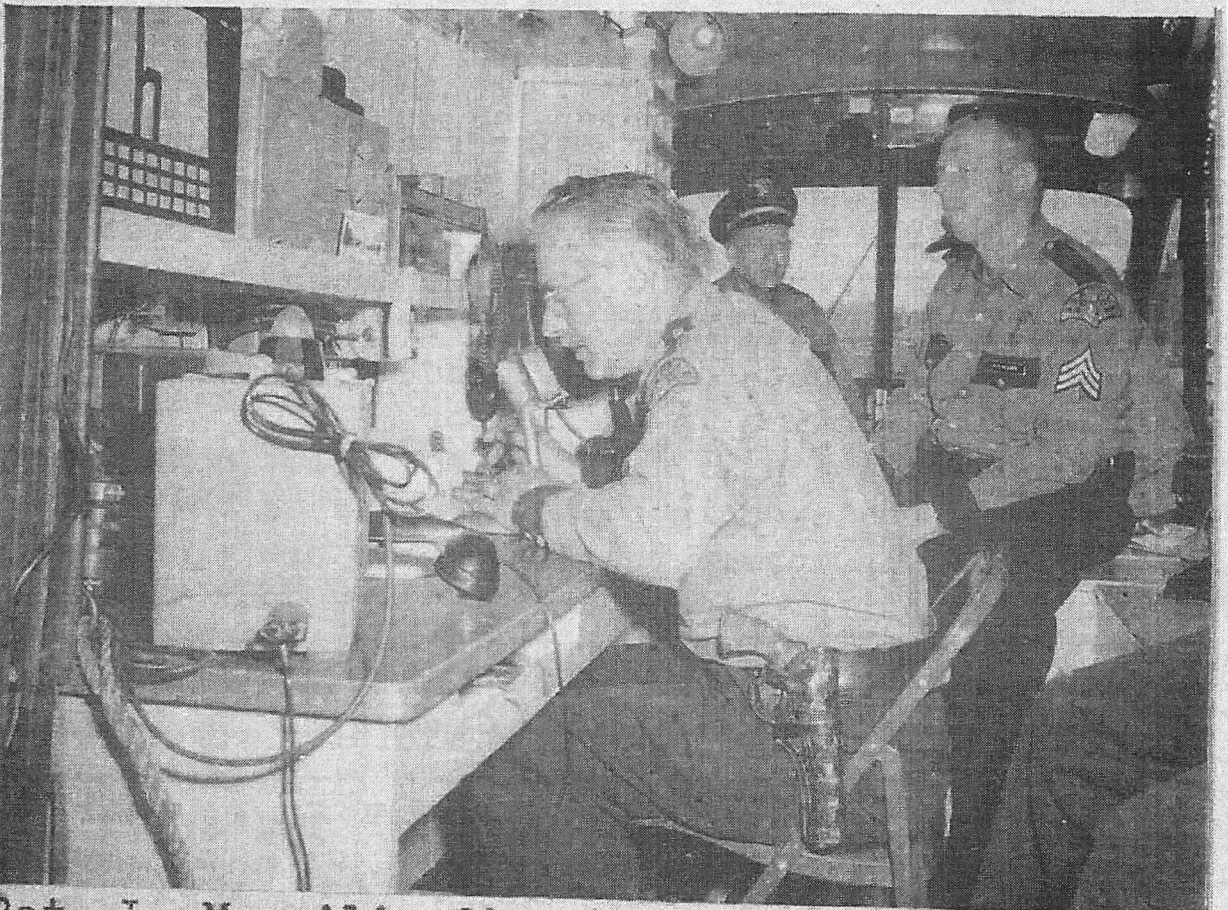
A new high in efficiency has been recorded at the Leschi Station. A complaint from U.S. Coast Guard of reckless boat operation with a request to locate was received at 10:02. At 10:03 an observant Officer looked out the window of the station & sure enough there was the obliging wanted boat tying up to the gas dock next door. 10:04 CASE CLOSED. NEXT!!

A frequent visitor at Leschi Station these warm & sunny days is Capt. Johnson. He has just purchased a new sail boat & it proves that one is never too young to learn about wind & water.

Smiling Ben Elliot has lost that 6th floor pallor & is sporting a nice tan & a limp. Still can't get used to the sunshine & fresh air.....Jim Daffron has absolute proof that his watch is waterproof.....Jack Greer & Ernie Bisset are having trouble shaking a past habit. Ever notice that whenever these boys are at the helm they keep twisting on the spokes trying to get more acceleration. A bit different than the bikes, eh fellas??

QUESTION?....Can one drive a red V.W. from Oakland, Cal. to Seattle in 16 hrs.& not exceed posted limits?





Pat. L. Magrillio dispatches a police unit from the communications truck during the Seafair Trophy Race, while Capt. Schultheis and Sgt. Elliott look on.



Pat. Marvin Nelson poses with sandwich in hand as he prepares to feed police personnel assigned to the Seafair Trophy Race.

FROM THE JAIL: New to us in the Jail is Officer Truman Wiggins. He had worked as a civilian clerk in Complaints before taking the Police Exam. After passing his tests about 10 months ago, he worked in Special Enforcement. Truman originally from Oklahoma City has been in Seattle about 2 years & a short time in Tacoma just before getting out of the Service. He had 8 years in the Army - 6 of these years stationed in Japan. But even after this length of time, decided not to make the Army his career after all. Home life here in Seattle with his wife and 2 sons and his job in the Police Department are both pleasurable and satisfying.....Also new is Police Cadet David Dalrymple. He has worked in Complaints & Auto Records before this assignment to the Jail. He is replacing Cadet Larry Hart who will be going to the I.D. Bureau.

Vacationers are still leaving. Jack Karlberg and Bob Buston planned a trip to the upper Skagit area, 5,000 feet up. They were rained out of their attempts to reach Jordan Lake. The next day Jack decided to try himself but there was just too much rain for fishing..... Clarence Moyes and his wife are getting a real vacation. Their 5 children were farmed out for a short spell while they took a trip to Lake Tahoe and spots around that famous resort.

Sgt. Adam Benner and his family headed for Lake Chelan - their favorite camping place. This year was the first for their very own 14 ft. boat & the whole family added water skiing to their fun. The highlight of 11 year old - Pat Benner's trip was the last day. He learned to ski. Then he was torn between staying to water ski & coming home to see his dog. Mike, the oldest boy can now use one ski. Daughter Sally - not to be left out, is getting to be a real star. Even Sgt. Benner's wife, Emma, is able to get up on her skis. By the way, Sgt. Benner is getting pretty good, himself!..... Not yet out of town, but both having fun?? Lt. Leland & Ray Thomas showed up for work with "look alike" skinned foreheads & noses. Seems the bottom of the swimming pools just came up & met them as they dove in during this hot weather.



BUREAU OF RECORDS: If you think you hear bells ringing in your ears lately, don't worry about your state of mind; you're OK, it's just that you are hearing wedding bells! Cupid has been working overtime & all of our girls are getting married so fast we can't keep up with them...Maie Veskimets of Staats is now Mrs. Evald Popp, she was married the 1st part of July & is now back from her honeymoon.

Caroline Arwine, "boss lady", of Staats, has been ill but is now back to work & glad to be out of that hospital...Bee Summerfield had an operation on her eyes & is also back to work. We're glad to see both of them back with us....Delores Alexander, one of the clerks of the Staats Unit had a vacation in Texas, beautiful Galveston; she took a flying trip down there to see her grandfather & other relatives....Helen Thorne, quite a gad-a-bout, went to California again to see her son & is back to work, cheery & bright as usual.

Lynn Swindler of the B/R went to Calif. with her husband for the Footprinter's Convention, & had a "ball" touring the State, we hear...Willy Hanson, of Auto Records, spent part of his vacation time staying around Seattle (or more to the point, Bothell Way!) working in his garden & getting his fiancée's lawns & flower beds in "show-place" condition. If he'd just give us the full address, we could all go out there some dark night & make off with some of those wonderful vegetables!

Alice Tibbs, of the B/R, has replaced Ethel Adams in CCB; good luck in your new job, Alice...Gerry Carlin, Cadet, who is also in CCB is now the proud father of a baby girl, born July 25<sup>th</sup>; baby weighed in at 8 lbs. 13 oz. Baby & father are both doing fine. If Gerry is the same as our other Cadets about his baby, we'll all be smoking cigars whether we like them or not!!

Lt. P.C. Lee, took time away from the Complaint Bureau to go to Lake Tahoe with his wife for their vacation; our urbane Lt. is back & Nevada-Calif. can now return to normal. We're glad to have him back as he is such a pleasant person.

Our floor resounds with the clacking of wooden shoes lately as our Miss Kitty Wurtele "peddles" her fiancée's merchandise (Dutch imports) to all who feel in the mood to walk around in "solid comfort." All joking in jest, the girls state the shoes are very comfortable.



"THE RECRUIT HAD FINISHED HIS PHYSICAL AND WAS BEING QUESTIONED BY A SERGEANT, WHO ASKED: "DID YOU GO TO GRAMMAR SCHOOL?"

"YES, SIR," THE RECRUIT SAID. "I ALSO WENT THROUGH HIGH SCHOOL, WAS GRADUATED CUM LAUDE FROM COLLEGE, AND COMPLETED THREE YEARS OF GRADUATE STUDIES."

THE SERGEANT NODDED, REACHED FOR A RUBBER STAMP, AND SLAPPED IT ON THE QUESTIONNAIRE. IT CONSISTED OF ONE WORD....."LITERATE."

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### STAFF DIVISION

POLICE ACADEMY: Hear tell that a certain Deputy Chief loves a challenge. During a recent physical dexterity test for police applicants, the Chief "dropped by." When asked to demonstrate a "sit-up" for the applicants, (& challenged by 2 unsuspecting Officers to give more than one) the Chief went on to do 36 "sit-ups" with not one groan! Wonder what Officer is out a lunch and what Lt. is out a dinner?? That will teach you men, never challenge a Deputy Chief!

WOMEN'S BUREAU: A sad farewell to Policewoman Carolyn Gossard who resigned this past month.....Policewomen Jean Selvidge and Noreen Hartsfield were glimpsed having a good time at the annual Police Picnic.....Policewoman Lillian Mitchell is now back from a camping vacation... WELCOME to new Policewoman Jeannine Dawson.

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"WEEK-END: WHEN MOTORISTS DRIVE BUMPER TO BUMPER AND TEMPER TO TEMPER."

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### SEATTLE POLICE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

By M. Carlson

Subject of the month for the S.P.A.A. is our ANNUAL SALMON FISHING DERBY to be held Monday, Aug. 21st, 5:15 A.M. to 9:30 A.M. out of RAY'S Boathouse in Ballard. The Derby is open to all Association members & immediate families. \$1.00 entry fee included breakfast served at 10:30 A.M. at Golden Gardens where prizes will be awarded following the morning's fishing. All fish entered must be salmon species of legal size. RESERVATIONS may be put in at the Property Room & 3 pcts. Entry & boat reservations should be in by Aug. 18th. Sgts. Lee Drake, Frank Moore, & Ray Carroll are in charge.



The Retired Officers' Banquet will be on Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at the Police Athletic Association Pavilion. We will try to provide transportation from Headquarters for those who need it.....There will be NO Retired Officers' meeting in September.

NEWLY RETIRED: Robert W. Forrey on July 5 for disability. Appointed 9-1-50.  
Otis W. Gray on Aug. 4 for service. Appointed 6-9-34.  
Chester W. Johnson on Aug. 7 for service. Appointed 7-20-36.

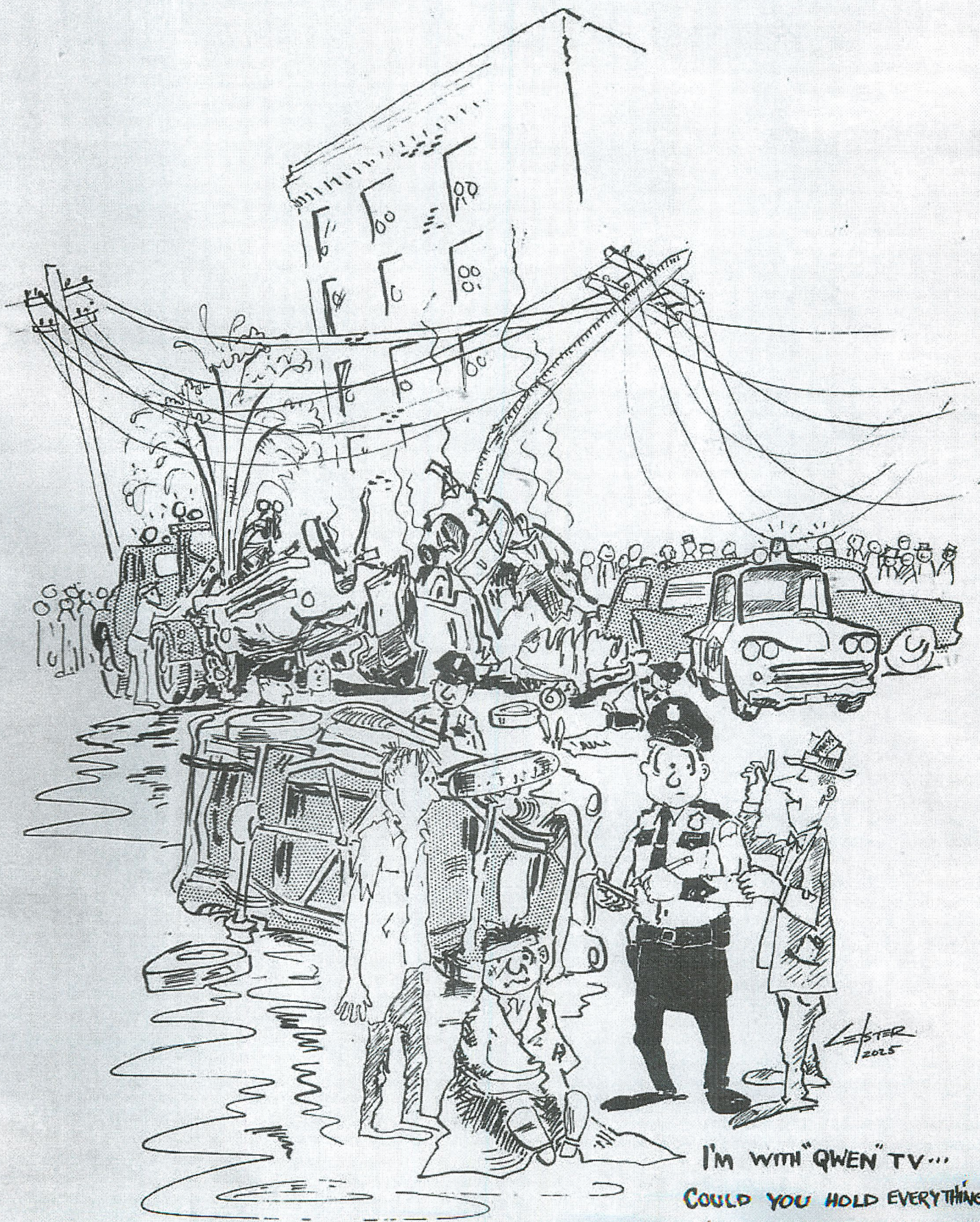
WE HEAR: Art Swanson & Floyd Robbins are up from the South; Louie Stokke, Charley Lee & John Meyers are all home from recent hospitalizations.

LAST RING: Walter E. Mingo on July 15 at age 77. Retired for service 5-5-50.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO: Chad Ballard, Casey O'Gorman, Al Smith, Hadley Clark, Andy Solberg, Bill Berg, Ed Merkle, Sven Jorgensen, Walt Day, Stew Hilborn, Percy Hern, Guy Vernon, Blackie Wilson, Bill Miller, Carl Norris, Carl Martenson, Charley Collins, Jack Hanson, Claude Norris, Charley Kessler, Clyde Dailey, Jim Lawrence, Irwin Tracy, Rupe Adams, Fred Gay, Herman Foy, Joe Crossland, Walt Jennings, and Jack Stockham.

Relative to Pensions for Widows of Officers who retired or passed away before June, 1959, it was necessary to provide the attorneys for the Retired Officers' Assn. of the State with formal applications for the Pension & refusal of the Pension Board to pay. Two widows of former Seattle Officers applied for their pension at the August meeting of the Pension Board. On the advice of the Corporation Counsel, the Pension Board is withholding any payment authorized by the 1961 State Legislature to widows of former officers until the Courts have made a ruling on the constitutionality of the 1961 amendment. The Retired Officers Assn. have retained the attorneys who drew up the legislative amendment & have handled our past legal problems.





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