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The Power of Blue

by Ed Browne

A few years ago, Mayor Art Agnos faced a city budget crisis. He proposed to layoff 160 junior ranking police officers to balance his city budget. At the same time, Bob Barry, then president of the Police Officers' Association, mounted an opposition voter petition drive to counter the mayor's proposal. As an active participant in the petition drive, I positioned myself in front of the Marina Safeway store to collect as many signatures of registered voters as possible. In one afternoon I collected over three hundred signatures. After identifying myself as a police officer to those three hundred grocery shoppers, I came to realize that, because I was in fact a police officer, they took a few precious moments of their busy day to stop and listen to my plea. The petition drive was a success and not one police officer was laid off the job.

Two years ago I participated in the Proposition D campaign (Collective Bargaining with Binding Arbitration). And once again, the public safety employees of this great city were being battered by the confrontational politics of Mayor Art Agnos. What the Agnos administration failed to realize in its attempt to defeat Proposition D, was the polling power of the Police Officers' Association. The power of blue. The ability of the police officer to reach and inform the voting public. From neighborhood to neighborhood and door to door, registered voters listened to what I, and many other officers, had to say concerning Proposition D. People of all color and age took the time to hear our message, because we were in fact police officers. We offered our position on Proposition D and that of the Mayor. Our position was focused on fairness and equality, while the Mayor's was grossly unjust and scornful. Needless to say, Proposition D was passed by the voters of San Francisco and subsequently Art Agnos lost his mayoralty.

Once again I realized that one on one community contact was the most resourceful and productive means of achieving a political agenda and goal. From these political experiences, I firmly concluded



Supervisor Willie Kennedy supports Prop D

that the voters of San Francisco believe in what is right and just for all. Not only for themselves, but also for the men and women who put their lives on the line for the people they serve in this city, day in and day out.

Proposition D is the result of a long and hard fought labor agreement between the City and County of San Francisco and its police officers and firefighters. It is the cornerstone and foundation for equality and equality alone. The benefits from Proposition D not only enhance the lives of police officers and firefighters, but also enhance the lifestyle of every citizen in San Francisco, even within the burden of civil economic hardship. Proposition D has given San Francisco a better police officer and firefighter. Proposition D has given San Francisco a brighter future for tomorrow.

In May of this year Supervisor Willie Kennedy presented and referred to the Rules Committee charter amendments in skeletal form, amending sections related to salary setting for police officers and firefighters. Supervisor Kennedy presented these charter amendments solely on the behalf of our current mayor, Frank Jordan. Furthermore, Supervisor Kennedy has made known to the POA that she herself supports Proposition D.

In conclusion, any and all anti-Proposition D amendments set forth on the November ballot should be viewed as an instrument to disintegrate the tireless efforts and accomplishments of the many men and women who serve and protect this city wearing a blue uniform

Jordan Threatens Layoff of Eighty-five Police Officers

by Al Trigueiro, President

Mayor Jordan has announced that he intends to layoff eighty-five (85) police officers. As a result, notices were sent to 85 officers last week. The Police Officers' Association was told of this action on May 28 by Deputy Chief Reed. Officers who received the notices were advised in writing they will be separated from service on June 30, 1993, but were told verbally that the layoff might not take place until a later date.

Timing of Layoffs Suspect

The timing was curious for a variety of reasons. First, the State of California had just announced that \$700,000,000 in State sales tax revenues would be made available to local governments, and was to be specifically earmarked for public safety. San Francisco's share was estimated at in excess of \$30,000,000.

The POA had several meetings with Mayor Jordan and various members of his staff just prior to the layoff announcement. Yet, no mention was made at any time of any impending layoffs prior to May 28.

Secondly, the layoff decision which, as noted above, was communicated to the POA on May 28, came the day after the POA rejected a City proposal that we forego the five percent (5%) raise due us July 1 under our contract. We were told by City Employee Relations Director Carl Bunch, on May 27, that the Mayor wanted

us to give up the raise, with no clear economic quid pro quo. We said No. As members of the Association are aware, we had expressed some willingness to negotiate over economic issues, particularly given the City's fiscal troubles. However we made clear in all communications on the subject that for us to do so there would have to be some reciprocation by the City, even if down the road.

However, when it became clear that the City wanted us to give up this year's salary increase and would not offer anything in return for the wage freeze, we declined to cave in. As a result, the layoff notices were sent out.

Mayor's Position Unreasonable

A trade-off could have been made and a deal could be struck, saving the City a significant amount of money this year, but not without the POA gaining assurances that at some date certain in the future we will gain a significant benefit for our membership. Giving the raise away for nothing cannot be justified, given how far behind our jurisdiction is in total compensation. Our most recent survey shows that we are approximately 85th in the State in total compensation, and by giving up the raise we would obviously fall even further behind.

Most other City employees are covered by the recent arbitration award won by the SEIU. While the award provides for a

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SFPOA BULLETIN MEDICAL TREATMENT

We have experienced an increasing number of statements of concern from members questioning the quality of medical evaluation and services being provided at the St. Francis Hospital Treatment Room.

If you feel you have not received adequate medical care from this facility, please document the facts involved and forward this information to the POA office, Attention: Steve Johnson.

The Notebook Needs You

We need your articles, announcements and photos to make this the best newspaper possible.

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Widows and Orphans Aid Association

The regular monthly meeting of The Widows & Orphans Aid Association was called to order by Pres. P. Maloney at 2:00 P.M., Wednesday May 19, 1993 in Conference Room, Ingleside.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: Excused — Trustees Kurpinsky, Sturken & Sullivan. All other officers present with other members- M. Duffy (Past Pres), Martha Fabriani Ben Spiteri.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Approved as presented to the membership in writing.

COMMUNICATIONS: Following donations received and acknowledged by Secretary: Assemblyman John Burton- in memory of Jack O'Shea; May and Ralph Mahler, Charles Miller in memory of Lee Garvin; Mr & Mrs Larry Gerner - in memory of Robert Gerner.

Treas. Parenti presented usual bills, benefits, salaries, taxes, supplies. Approved. Treas. Parenti reported the following deaths: **LEONARD A. ENGLE:** Len was born in San Francisco in 1931, working as a telephone installer before joining the Department in 1960 age 28. From the Academy to Mission for a year, then to Taraval for 2 years. Len was then assigned to Solo Motorcycles where he remained until his retirement for service in 1987 at age 55. Len was 62 when he passed away, after a losing battle with cancer.

MARTIN FOLEY: Another San Franciscan, born in 1902, Marty was employed as a teamster before becoming a member of the Department in 1927 at age 24. Martin was trained at Headquarters Company, working out of the Night Chief's Office, before he was transferred to Park Station, working there for a year. Then it was again Headquarters, for a year, Ingleside for a year, back to Headquarters, then to Park for 6 years. Marty's last assignment was again to Headquarters, this time as a driver for Chief Thomas Cahill, before both of them retired in 1970, Marty at age 67. He was promoted to Assistant Inspector in 1955, a Full Inspector in 1958. Marty was 90 at the time of his death.

JOHN GEHRING: Born in San Francisco in 1907, John was a dye setter, before he joined the Department in 1936, age 29. John was assigned to the Radio Cars, working out of the Chief's Office,

where he worked the various District Stations for a period of three years. He was transferred to Co K, Fixed Post Detail, where he found a home at 5th & Mission, taking care of The 5th & Mission Garage and The Chronicle, until he retired for service in 1967 at age 60. John and his wife attended Retired City Employee monthly meetings and were preparing to attend the May meeting, when John passed away with a fatal heart attack. He was 84.

ROBERT GERNER: Born in Santa Ana in 1935, Bob was a production worker before becoming a member of the Department in 1958, age 23. From The Academy to Southern Station for a year, then to Taraval for a year, Ingleside for ten years. He was assigned to Parks and Beaches, working out of Park Station until his retirement for Service in 1985, age 50. Bob received the following awards: 1960 C/C for arrest of a prowler attempting to burglarize a drug store; 1962 arrest of three suspects in act of committing a burglary; Bronze Medal for apprehension of two armed suspects who had just robbed the J & J Market. Bob was a young 58 at the time of his death.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES: Mr. Bricker, B of A, reported on the Portfolio with several suggestions as to selling and purchase of certain stocks. After much discussion, the Trustees approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Motion Jeffery/2nd Hardeman following Amendment to By-Laws be approved 1st reading: TO AMEND ART IV, BY ADDING SEC 1A "The yearly dues, by members not on Payroll Deduction, shall be \$36.00 per year, paid by March 31. Thereafter a charge of \$5.00 per month shall be added for each month such dues are deferred."

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion as to increase in dues and benefits. Motion Jeffery/2nd Duffy that an Actuarial Report be made and suggestions from this to affect any raises. APPROVED.

GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION: Pres. Maloney set next regular meeting for 2:00 P.M., Wednesday June 16, 1993, in Conference Room - Ingleside Station.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the membership, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 P.M. in memory of above departed Brothers.

Fraternally, Bob Mc Kee, Secretary



POLICE-FIRE POST #456 NEWS

by Greg Corrales

"...from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain."

Abraham Lincoln, Gettysburg Address

Memorial Day is a sacred day to all war veterans, but one must question its importance to the general public. Judging from what Memorial Day has become, just another day off work, I suspect that the significance of Memorial Day has been lost to many. What we must all come to realize is that sacrifice is meaningless without remembrance. America's collective consciousness demands that all citizens be aware of and recall on special occasions the deaths of their fellow countrymen during wartime.

Far too often, the nation as a whole takes for granted the freedoms all Americans enjoy. Those freedoms were paid for with the lives of others few of us actually knew. That's why they are all collectively remembered on one special day. By honoring the war dead, we preserve their memory and thus their service and sacrifice. America is commemorating the 2,854,113 patriots who made the greatest sacrifice possible, the giving of one's own life. This remembrance spans 218

years and 62 military actions.

Until the National Holiday Act of 1971, Memorial Day was observed each May 30. That custom became a tradition with the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR), the Union veterans organization that made honoring Civil War dead a civic duty for all citizens. Until 1882, the practice of placing flowers at gravesites was known as Decoration Day. By 1890, all northern states had made 30 May state holidays. Changing the date of Memorial Day merely to create three day weekends has undoubtedly undermined the very meaning of the day. No doubt, this has contributed to the general public's nonchalant observance of Memorial Day.

As America's twelve million war veterans fast disappear from society's landscape, there are fewer and fewer standard bearers left to carry the torch of remembrance. Such remembrance can live on if America will take to heart the words of then-General James A. Garfield on the first national memorial observance in May 1868, when he said:

"They summed up and perfected, by one supreme act, the highest virtues of men and citizens. For love of country they accepted death, and thus, resolved all doubts, and made immortal their patriotism and virtue."

A controversial issue which I have avoided is the current debate about women in combat. I have avoided it because I do not like to talk/write about combat. Since I am in the Memorial Day-mode, I guess this is as good a time as any to state my position. I have read and listened to all the arguments pro and con. The performance of many female police officers negates most arguments supporting the ban of women in combat (courage, emotional

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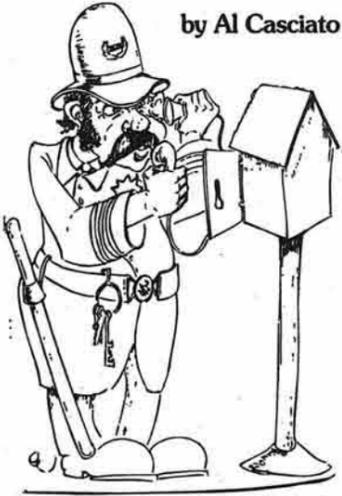
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AROUND THE DEPARTMENT

by Al Casciato



The budget: An ever changing story that disrupts many lives. As this column goes to print, 85 of our junior officers have layoff notifications in hand, Governor Wilson has extended the 1/2 % sales tax for six months to specifically fund public safety, yet the Mayor has not rescinded the notices. — **P.O.A Secretary, Steve Johnson**, is fuming at Auto Detail's Paul Chignell for plastering the hall with copies of an inaccurate news article, and has begun sending fax's of all the latest accurate news to the former aide of Mayor Agnos. — The P.O.A Executive board is being bombarded with questions from members as well as being heavily lobbied by the staffs of the various politicians in the City to make some type of deal. — The press is writing stories designed to make us look bad and to kick us into doing something foolish. — From Northern Station some real "bright" member has started a form letter writing campaign designed to harass POA President **Al Trigueiro**. — Yes, when times are hard, a person's true character comes to the surface and in this budget crisis the truly bright spot was when **Officer Carl Bryant** of the Potrero Station informed Al Trigueiro that he had received his layoff notice, but that he was with the POA all the way. He advised Al not to cave in, because if he did, as a department we'd never get above 85th in the state. He was willing to accept his layoff for having a future when he returns. A truly enlightened and wise man who truly recognizes the work that the association is doing is not only for the incumbent officers but for the future generations of officers that WILL follow. A big thank you goes out to all of those who have called the P.O.A office offering employment for the 85, should the layoffs come to pass. A list is being compiled. So, if you have a job opening call **Gary Delagnes** or **Phil Dito** the P.O.A office 861-5060 and leave a message...

...Late News: It appears that the P.O.A and the Federal Auditor Monitor along with help from the Public Advocates law firm may block the layoffs in the Federal Court....

...Bay to Breakers: Three of our finest finished in the top 10,000 of this past May's Bay to Breakers foot race: #5097 **Mike Hebel** time 1:08:06 - Police Academy Staff - #67693 **Spencer Gregory** time 1:11:34 Crime Scene Investigations - #8920 **Ken Sanchez** time 1:15:52 Police Academy Staff. The three runners utilized all their police training to bump and dodge through the crowd in order to make it into the top 10 grand. Congratulations and good work...

Trivia Question??????? Seven sets of brothers took the recent Lieutenants exam. Can you name them? If so write the sets on a piece of paper and send to **Ed Fowlie** in the Auto Detail who will verify

your answer and forward the name of the first correct respondent to me. I will then strong-arm the editor into giving the winner a prize...smile...

...Lawson Sisters receive President's Youth Award. The daughters of **Dan Lawson** (Planning) Chrystine, 11, and Kathryn, 9, were recently presented the President's Youth Award for outstanding accomplishments in community service. After seeing news reports of the devastation in Landers, Ca. in last June 29th's earthquake the girls traveled door to door collecting 300 lbs in canned goods, and solicited a trucking company to deliver the goods free of charge. David Arrambide of Morongo Basin's United Way nominated the girls for the award... Good work. We are very proud of you.

Births: Births: Births:
Narcotics **Pauline Hnatow (Collins)** and husband **David Collins (Psych Liaison)** are the proud parents of a lovely li'l lady, **Taylor H. Collins** 7 lbs. 2 oz., 21 inches who is the first born, arrived Tuesday May 11, 1993 at 1730 hours.

Potrero's **Evelyn** and **Paul Swiatko** welcomed Li'l **Nicholas Paul** 7 lbs. 7 oz. at 1415 hours on May 20, 1993.

Tactical's **Annette** and **Alec Cardenas** were blessed with the birth of **Alexis Rose** 6 lbs 13 oz 19 inches on May 27, 1993.

Congratulations to all and our fondest wishes for a very long and happy life...

...Phantom of The Opera:
Recently 70 officers, family, and friends enjoyed the final performance of "Evita" at the Golden Gate Theater. All gathered at noon at the top of the San Francisco Hilton for a gourmet Sunday brunch and at 2:15 walked en mass to the theater, (parking was provided free at the Hilton), Hit and Run's **Jim Bosch**, who did all the organizing, has already acquired 200 prime seats for next year's performance of Phantom of the Opera. The date of the brunch and show will be April 24, 1994. Call Jim at extension 1644 and make your reservation now. Tickets are going fast!...

....The Graduate:
Congratulations to **Lynne Atkinson Torres** (Psych Liaison) who received her Masters in Education From San Francisco State University this past month. We are very proud of you, Lynne we know it's been a long 5 years...

...Anything for a free ticket:
Arson's **Joe Kennedy**, reports that retiree **Jim Dachauer** has become a

Southwest Airline flight attendant... Seems that Jim enjoys playing golf in a variety of locations, and this is the only way that his wife was going to put up with the travel expense...

...Catastrophic Illness Program:
Donations of vacation and sick time are being solicited for members participating in the catastrophic illness program. Donation forms are available at personnel or from program coordinator, **Lt. Judi Pursell** Co. E. Send completed forms to Judi, and she will make the allocations and send you a receipt. Thanks in advance from those afflicted with catastrophic illnesses...

...Missing Pictures:
In March while on vacation in Scottsdale I took a variety of pictures of fellow spring training aficionados like the **Ray** and **Mary Crosat, Mike Duffy, The Catanzaro** and **Amiot** families etc. The pictures were suppose to have run in the April issue, but somehow got misplaced, after having been submitted to the POA office; their return would be greatly appreciated...

...Soup of the Day...
Rich Benjamin, the midnight Station Keeper at Central Station brings in a couple of gallons of soup from his mother's restaurant to feed the troops on a regular basis. Rich has gotten into the habit of

writing on the blackboard the soup of the day. During one recent roundup of prostitutes the soup of the day was "Chicken Lemon French Lentil". Several of the ladies requested some and Rich obliged. The next evening **Sgt. Tony Parra** stopped one of the regulars on Geary St. Her first comment; "Hey, Sarge. What's the Soup of the Day?"...

...Toilet Paper Man:
During the Cincinnati series in May, Traffic's **Doug Frediani** had the unique distinction of meeting "Toilet Paper Man." Clad in very brief underwear and wrapped in toilet paper from head to toe our hero was going to save the fans from something or another. That is until he met Doug. Who said 10b work isn't interesting? Biggest mistake made by Doug; telling him to "take off that paper." He looked a lot better with it on....

...Cowboy:
Retiree **Bruce McEachern** has signed up to work as cowboy on a 4-month cattle drive in Northern Nevada. Friends and family have asked "Why?" "What has possessed you?" Answer: "When you are over 50 and retired, you can do what you want, when you want to..."

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RETIRED MEMBERS COLUMN

by Gino Marionetti & Mike Sugrue



Teacher and the Taught

by Gino Marionetti

It all started when someone had to be picked for February's "Retired Members Column". Bill Osterloh's thirty-year SFPD career and after were unique. Beat cop, fraud inspector, police boss, science technologist, specialty planner, organizational authority, management analyst, press liaison, disaster technician, academy administrator, UC honors grad, Phi Beta Kappa, triple degree holder, credentialed teacher, faculty president, part-time dean, college teacher, professor emeritus, TV showman, public relations rep, Cal Berkeley researcher, social scientist, candidate examiner, perennial humorist, published writer — there seemed to be a lot of interesting things to say about a guy named "Bill".

To start things off, I sent him the usual resume form. Two days later it was returned, blank. There was a kind of teacher-student reprimand affixed. It was a clear "bawling out", the first of many more to come. "Gino, you're doing it all wrong! You aren't going to end up with anything alive when you start off with something as obituary-sounding as a personnel bureau rap sheet. When you find that real live person with a real live story to tell, you talk. Sit opposite your subject — a kitchen table is ideal — and start asking questions. You ask and ask, and then ask questions on the answers you get back. You pull teeth — big molars, and smaller laterals. Cops have the most glamorous jobs in the world, but they may not always realize this. So if you're looking for your story from a lifeless paper form, you are bound to come up with lifeless dullsville nothingness."

"It may not be easy, Gino. That 'best cop in the country' — who unfortunately is working in the city — may be thought of as a great interviewer, but really is a horrible interviewee. However, don't forget your role. There is somebody out there who is going to read the Notebook. That reader will be looking for a story of interest. Your job: supply it!"

"Only minimal chitchat will lead to a realization that you have the wrong subject for your tale. This greatest-of-the-great may be only an empty embodiment of stereotyped peer platitudes. If your subject turns out to be an unmitigated dud, look for someone lower in the popularity pecking order as a worthy second choice."

Thus a demanding Bill-the-teacher and an overwhelmed Gino-the-taught began a true academic relationship. This joining of forces was going to extend beyond a single-column Notebook production. I know Bill Osterloh was going to be a hard-nosed bully in creating an artist. If Attila the Hun were still around, and in my shoes, he most certainly would point to craftsman Osterloh, and say in resignation, "From him I can learn". But while Bill insists that in a previous life he was gag writer for the old barbarian, it is well known that this showman is a big, nice clown at heart, and gentle pussycat in temperament. The many sessions in good writing that were in the making would be conducted by a stand-up comedian, who also is a hard-bitten expert in the written word. Yes, a onetime cop's classes for a onetime cop were going to be fun, as well as productive.

So ol' teach' set up the process, and

began with first things first. "For your sketch, Gino, initially you have to select an 'attention grabber'. Do you remember that jazz about the one picture and the thousand words? Ask your subject to come up with something significant from the family photo album. If all he has is that one snapshot returned by a lonely hearts group with a note reading, 'We're not that lonely', you may have to seek out something else. But forget the current, where people's memories probably will envision the person. Get something from earlier times. If there was a cute wife posing alongside, great. Being the prettier, she will be better for 'attention grabbing' purposes".

Only a week later, Bill was able to prove his argument well. The day after the February release, an appellate court justice friend phoned him. "Great article, Bill. But if it hadn't been for that picture of you pulling a one-liner on Ronald Reagan, I might have missed it. And congrats, Bill. Who else can boast a picture of himself telling a joke to a U.S. president?" Yes, in the case of the Osterloh biography, an 'attention grabber' was magnificently selected!

Thus I began to write. Schoolmaster Osterloh demanded that there be several drafts before finalizing the project. Rewriting may be in order after only a paragraph or two, or perhaps after an entire preliminary draft had been completed. But don't make the mistake of the hack who believes his initial creation will fill the bill. My own effort would be tossed back mercilessly. "Do I really deserve another 'F', Bill?" ("No, you don't deserve it, Gino. But there's nothing lower to give you.") But all abuse was swallowed patiently, because we join you, Attila, in affirming, "From him I can learn."

While Bill and I met often before his life story went to print, we continued to meet afterwards with added frequency. His writing lab is what he refers to as "my classroom kitchen." He invariably would start the meeting with thoughts on the importance of word choice. Meaning is carried by something more than randomly selected words, he emphasized. Spelled out realism and attendant emotion are primary concerns in good writing. For example, the roast beef sandwich may be your favorite morsel. But will it still be if the menu before you in full technical exactitude calls it a "dead cow sandwich"? And on the subject of words, insisted my tutor, one should not shy from dictionary use. Here there might even be initial surprise in finding the words are arranged in alphabetical order, he needed. Similarly, a vocabulary is indispensable to the infrequent writer. And if it is not known what a vocabulary is, one is really needed.

But there are two words my professor lavishly shouts during the lab sessions, "KISS" and "garbage." No, "KISS" doesn't relate to romantic fiction or a new soap opera script. In fact, "KISS" is neither noun or verb, nor even a word. It's an instructional abbreviation of great practical import, "Keep it simple, (clarity in composition) student!" It goes with that primary rule of clarity in composition, subscription to a well-ordered "who? what? when? how?" format. Accordingly, noting the time sequence involved, if you think it worthwhile to include that the retirees grandpappy would have discovered electricity, but was too poor to buy a kite, by all means get it in. But do so close



Teacher and the taught

to the biography's start, not after relating how junior won his diploma at the police academy.

All of Bill's examples are graphic. He gives the application of "KISS" full dimension in telling how Mr. and Mrs. Rookie Cop got married in the retiree biography. He says the novice writer may lead to a poetic account of how the pair met. It may be put this way. "Upon first encounter, he saw through her enchanting beauty that this was the girl with whom he wanted to walk down life's highway." Beautiful. But the reader might understand it to mean he had been looking for a hitchhiker instead of a wife. So to say they met today, he proposed tomorrow, and then married a week later should suffice in getting the story told. Once again, it's the reader who counts. If that person wants poetry, Byron or Keats will be sought out to satisfy the craving — not a Notebook columnist.

In the same trend of concerns, there is what the Osterloh realism repeatedly classified as "garbage." He gives a graphic example while Mr. and Mrs. Rookie Cop are still on stage. The first child is born, not a particularly unique event. Now the would-be priest emerges from the writing cop. "A new life was bestowed from on high, a tiny gift of beauty from the heavens above, offered to the happy servants below etc. etc." Bill, are you equating religious utterance with garbage? Most certainly not. But the element of desecration lies in passing off garbage as religious utterance. The imagined role model priest most certainly would agree with the professor on the "garbage thesis" proposed.

So how would you tell about the bouncing baby who now has come on the scene — whether boy or girl undetermined until it stops bouncing, of course? Easy. "It was a year later that a baby boy came along." As in the case of the poetry lover, if it's a sermon the reader wants, there will be a trek to church Sunday, rather than to a Notebook column.

While engaged in "garbage talk," Pr. Osterloh goes on with another personal peeve, that trite, hackneyed, corny, overworked element of bad speech and bad writing — the cliché. For example, he zeroes in on the mixed social affair where the master of ceremonies customarily identifies the "lovely wife" of a male principal. Is there some felt need to differentiate between the "lovely" and "unlovely" among spouses? If so, should he not explain that the particular wife in question was at one time a Miss America, but there weren't many Americans around then? Otherwise, "lovely" seems to serve no purpose other than annoying the hater of clichés, and embarrassing the singled-out spouse.

Similarly, there may be that high level police representative addressing the local service club, beating to death his favorite expression of greatest humility and duty

performance, "the public whom we serve." Now what's wrong with that, Osterloh? Only that it might carry more impact of the genuine if quoting the private conversation of two cops, rather than being a possibly empty expression of public relations poobah, of course.

Then in lower echelons, there is that overworked phrase of the academy class valedictorian, "We of the police profession." Something wrong with that too, Bill? Yes, because police work does not constitute a profession in the strict sense. It is a craft, and a fine one. Nevertheless, there most certainly may be true "professionals" in the craft, albeit in the lowest levels of the bureaucratic totem pole. At any rate, it was a very wise person who said in definitive and humorously contradictory commentary, "Avoid the cliché like the plague!" Adhere to Professor Osterloh's combined KISS-garbage rule of better writing, "Keep it simple, student, and while you're doing it, garbage free."

There is not enough Notebook space to quote an Osterloh tirade on bad grammar and punctuation. He insists on proper comma use, for example. Commas do not represent just decorative writing, he shouts. They make reading easy for the reader through arranging thoughts in orderly packets. In bad writing they may be used badly, or not at all, leading to added obscurity. So when purchasing that dictionary you've never owned, pick up a short handbook on basic grammar rules too he suggests.

Perhaps most important to the development of writing skills, a very analytical Bill goes on, is to do a lot of reading, and then a lot more. He feels that in this age of the tube, most reading is confined to bumper stickers and sweat shirts. Speed reading may not be a must, but there will be satisfaction in knowing you can read with faster moving lips. But fast or slow, learn to read, read, read, if you wish to write, write, write!

In conclusion, the old master drives home a realization that the cop's job is a writing job. He admits he hasn't been reading official police reports on a regular basis for twenty-three years. But based upon deficiencies he recalls from his old cop working days, he can extrapolate that their quality today may not always display a quarter century of improvement. So while he has emphasized the off-job reasons for learning to write well in the police realm, there most certainly is a significant job related one, as well.

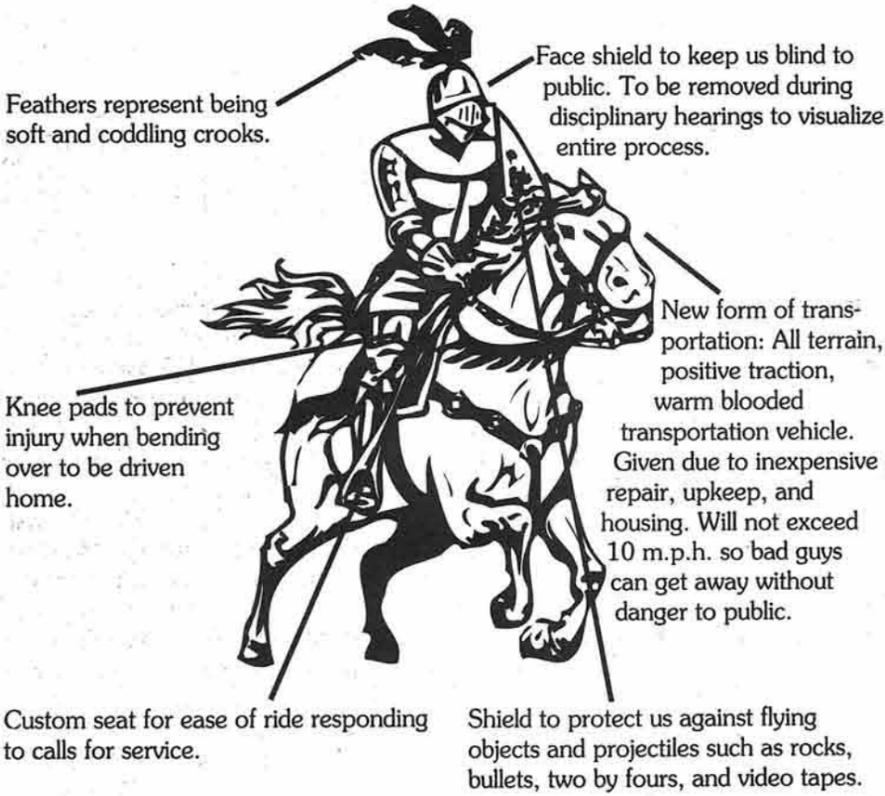
And there is a multiple reason for me, Gino-the-taught, to go back to school for Bill-the-teacher's provocative writing classes. They are not only practical, they are fun. I really don't want that lower grade upgraded to an "A" just yet. Otherwise I might graduate, and thus have to miss all of those laughs I get in Bill Osterloh's kitchen classroom.

New SFPD Uniform and Transportation Equipment

by Mark Hawthorne, CSI

The handgun, baton, and mace have been dispensed with. Too much chance to hurt public and open city to liability. (Officers on their own offensively)

Because we are people of steel, our uniform reflects same. (However, uniform made of lighter Kevlar material).



Top Five Ways We Can Assist The Mayor With Budget Cuts

by Jerry Sarin, Co. H

3. Sweep stairs and take shoes to cobbler on off-duty time.
2. Four letters: CPOP.
1. Accept laterals from the Guardian Angels.
4. Empower cops to grant instant divorces while on domestic violence calls.
5. Charge for "C" priority calls.

Reminder

All Department members, both sworn and civilian, are reminded that **ALL FLOATING HOLIDAYS and IN-LIEU HOLIDAYS MUST BE USED BEFORE THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR (JUNE 30).** This includes those earned in prior years."



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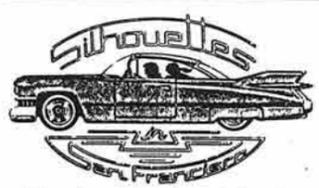
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Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, April 20, 1993

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Roll Call

Present: Deignan/Co. A, Macaulay/Co. B, Sorgie/Co. C, Ellis/Co. D, Benson/Co. D, Canedo/Co. E, Herman/Co. E, Cunnie/Co. F, Murphy/Co. G, Rosko/Co. H, Shine/Co. K, Sylvester/Hdqtrs, Torres/Hdqtrs, Faingold/Narc, Castagnola/Tac, Sullivan/Invest, Lemos/Invest, Java/MTPD, Leydon/TTF, Dito/Treas, Delagnes/Vice-Pres, Trigueiro/President

Excused: Machi/Co. A, Bruce/Co. I, Wright/Ret, Johnson/Secty

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The City is facing an extremely serious budget deficit and, while asking for our cooperation, they have not been specific as of yet as to what they might be looking at. The contract has not been re-opened and any considered change in what has already been negotiated would be brought back to the membership for consideration.

(NOTE: President Trigueiro held a press conference on Thursday, 4/29/93, at which time he issued fact sheets to the press regarding our standing within the law enforcement community as far as benefits are concerned. The SFPD is still ranked 85th in California in overall compensation.)

Court Overtime: President Trigueiro was successful in reaching an agreement with the Department allowing for reinstatement of the 3 hours compensation for court overtime (past practice). The question of retroactive pay for the hours outstanding is still subject to discussion pending final resolution.

Arlo Smith/Candidate for Attorney General: The Board of Directors had the opportunity to hear from Mr. Arlo Smith, District Attorney of SF, in his bid to run for the office of Attorney General of California. Members of the Legislative Committee will be scheduling future meetings with candidates for elective offices in order to provide our membership with a balanced insight.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Vice-President Delagnes stated that the Career Development Program within our department has been put on hold due to

budget restraints.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion/Lemos, 2nd/Cunnie to approve of the following resolution for the purpose of remodeling the POA building at 510-7th Street (1st floor banquet facilities/2nd floor business offices). Motion passed unanimously (voice vote)

Corporate Resolution

WHEREAS, the San Francisco Police Officers' Association, a California Corporation currently owns the property at 510-7th Street, San Francisco, California and the property at 502-7th Street, San Francisco, California; and

WHEREAS, the San Francisco Police Officers plan to initiate improvements of the building at 510-7th Street, San Francisco, California;

WHEREAS, the San Francisco Police Officers' Association state the following officers are hereby individually authorized for and on behalf of this corporation:

President, Al Trigueiro
 Vice-President, Gary Delagnes
 Treasurer, Phil Dito

Authorized to:

1. Incur indebtedness or liabilities to Saxe Mortgage and/or Assignees.
2. Sell, transfer, issue, execute and deliver, endorse accept, negotiate and pay, and obligate this corporation respecting notes, security agreements or other evidences of indebtedness or liability, and encumber the property of this corporation as security thereof.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the San Francisco Police Officers' Association grant approval for the President of the Association to refinance the existing loan secured by both properties in favor of Sumitomo Bank, for two individual first loans as follows:

\$350,000.00 (510-7th St., San Francisco, CA)
 \$300,000.00 (502-7th St., San Francisco, CA)

This resolution was duly passed and adopted at the April 20 1993 Board of Directors Meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The financial sheet for March 1993 was submitted for review and discussion — Motion/Lemos, 2nd/Cunnie to formally adopt the financial statement — Motion passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Federal Litigation Committee: (Sullivan/Chair) Roy Sullivan recently had the opportunity to meet with the new Judge who will be presiding over the Consent Decree. There is still an expectation for two further examinations (captain/ sergeant-inspector) under the City's current contractual obligations.

Grievance Committee: (Cunnie/Chair) Chris Cunnie briefed Board members on pending grievances. Most of the matters awaiting resolution have to do with issues pertaining to compensation and are protected by the parameters of our contract.

Police Services Committee: (Cunnie/Chair) The SFPOA Police Services Committee honored Officer Michael Paganini, Mission Station, for his demonstrated professionalism over the years. Mike is very well-respected among his peers at Mission and is kept extremely busy serving as both a Field Training Officer and as station legal consultant (probably the most well-versed officer in case law in our department).

FINANCIAL REQUESTS

Annual Desert Classic Golf Tournament 06/04/93 Sponsorship: \$100.00 M/Benson, 2nd/Canedo for approval of Sponsorship — motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

Bay Area Labor Council/Latin American Fundraising Dinner in celebration of Cinco de Mayo — 5/07/93 Motion/Deignan, 2nd/Cunnie to purchase 4 tickets at \$25.00 each — Motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

Chinese-American Voters Education Committee Annual Dinner 4/29/93 — Motion/Canedo, 2nd/Herman to purchase 2 tickets at \$100.00 each — Motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

'Gathering of Angels' — Request to help subsidize the creation of a banner listing the names of children who have been killed by the senseless violence all too common in our cities. Motion/Rosko, 2nd/Cunnie to contribute \$100.00 to this cause. Motion passed unanimously (voice vote).

Steve Johnson, Secretary

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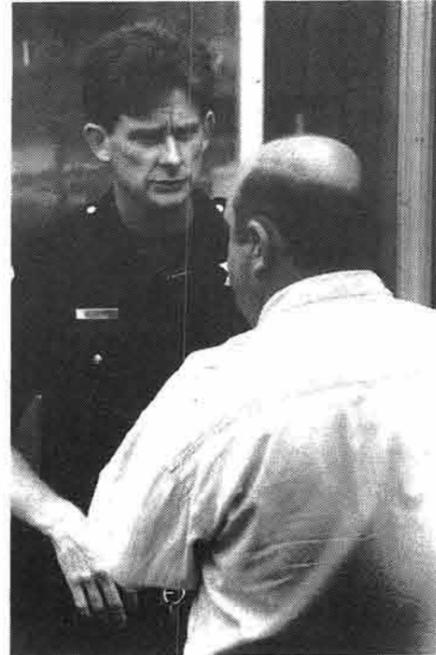


Officer Herman Diggs, Co. D.

Photos by Peter Thoshinsky



Lozada and Thieu of SID begin an investigation on 16th Street.



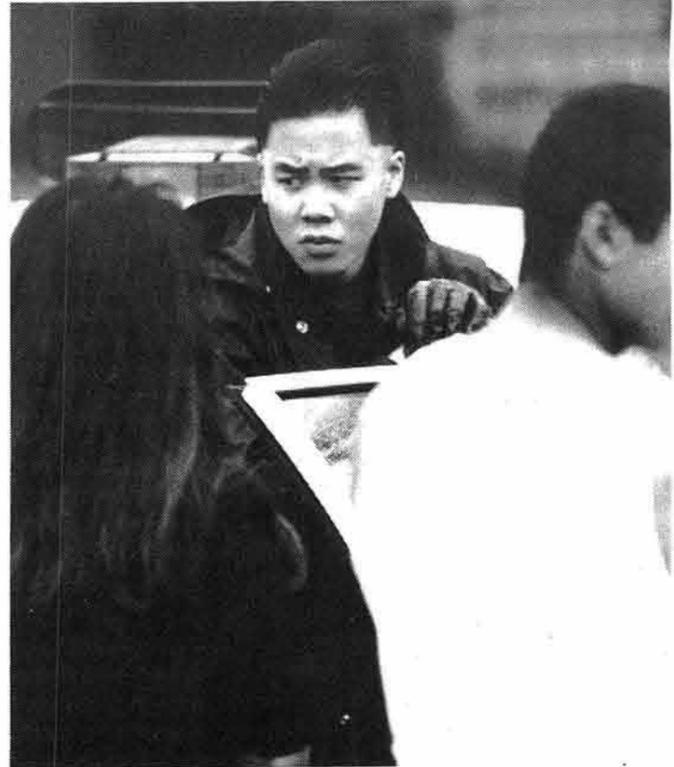
Sgt. Mike Flynn of Co. D listens patiently to a person from Fremont, California complain about a homeless person who seems disturbed...



... and then just as patiently tries to solve an unsolvable problem by talking to the elderly woman. Sgt. Flynn was forced to 5150 the woman.



Scott Lau (Co. D) finishes detaining one following a 418 fist fight on Harrison Street.



Standing in the rain talking to witnesses ... oh boy. (Lau, Co. D)



Jim Miller with close to 1100 rocks of cocaine from one suspect.



When Joe McCloskey and Jim Miller (yes, him again) knocked on a dealer's door, he answered it with this .25 automatic in his hand. He quickly hid the gun (and lived) but not several ounces of powder and rock cocaine. One booked CJ#1.

Youth Crime Flourishes in Atmosphere of Tolerance

San Francisco's juvenile probation chief and a leading children's advocacy group have lined up against a police proposal to track chronic juvenile offenders, saying it would unfairly target minority youths.

— Examiner, May 14

A recently published Police Department report claims The City has the highest rate of juvenile arrests for violent crime in the state, yet ranks last in the rate of offenders committed to the California Youth Authority.

As a result, the department recommended a "Serious Habitual Offender Program" to track 140 (some say fewer) habitual offenders identified as responsible for most of the violent juvenile crime in The City.

Predictably, "youth advocates" don't think much of the idea. "Since young black and minority youth are arrested in a disproportionate rate," says Chief Juvenile Probation Officer Fred Jordan, the caseload would be mostly minority. "I'm sensitive to how minorities would receive this."

In other words, a system that perpetuates the continued release of vicious criminals back into mostly minority communities must not be changed out of fear of offending racial sensibilities.

In some respects, we have been down this path before. A fundamental lesson of the 150-year criminal justice history of San Francisco is that without concrete sanctions against criminal violence, society's bullies will victimize their more timid fellows.

First with the Hounds in 1849, a gang of young ruffians who terrorized the Gold Rush city in a civic atmosphere were all looked out for their own interests and the public good "be damned."

A generation later, San Francisco added the word "hoodlum" to the national urban lexicon. Residents suffered through years of terror at the hands of youthful gangs. In his book, "Barbary Coast," Herbert Asbury says: "Usually the hoodlum was accorded comparatively gentle treatment."

The Hounds were brought up short in

July 1849, by the first of San Francisco's popular tribunals which summarily banished the thugs, under pain of death should they return.

The hoodlums were finally brought under control, says Asbury, when the San Francisco police learned "that the best cure for hoodlumism is the frequent application of locust or hickory to the hoodlum's skull."

Actually, the hoodlum problem, and its solution, was more complex than Asbury understood.

Still, the lesson to be learned is that criminal violence grows in a climate of tolerance. No one has yet devised a means of curbing youth violence, at least for the short term, without somehow impressing on its practitioners that such behavior is unacceptable.

There are similarities between the juvenile criminals of old and the youthful offenders of today, but one significant difference stands out. The Hounds and the hoodlums were white — many of them Irish Americans, the truth be told. And when society finally decided to do something about conditions, there was no attempt to shield offenders from the consequences of their behavior.

Today, because of population changes, and for a host of social and economic causes, many of which mimic the 19th century urban experience, the malefactors are disproportionately nonwhite. Consequently, any attempt to get tough on crime is seen by many as an attack on minorities.

The effective result is that the justice system is paralyzed into inactivity.

The failure of society to impose meaningful sanctions on those few youthful offenders responsible for most of the violent crime merely assures that the problems will increase. It amounts to racism of a most pernicious kind.

With what we now know about what is happening in America's cities, the situation has gone beyond "benign" neglect.

Reprinted from the San Francisco Examiner, May 23, 1993

The R.A.T. System, A Special Thanks!

by Rich Alves

In 1981 Texas Inc. (now Pronet Inc.) came to San Francisco with an idea to catch bank robbers. If it could work here with the quick getaways, (e.g., bridges, subways, hills, tunnels, and traffic), it would work anywhere! At that time S.F. had around 250 to 300 bank robberies a year with the banks open 5 days a week from 10 AM to 4 PM. Now the banks are open 7 days a week, Mon. - Fri. 7:30 AM to 7:00 PM and weekends 10 AM to 4 PM with only 165 robberies last year.

We have had our ups and downs with the system, but on March 12, 1993 at 10 AM the Robbery Apprehension Team hit another milestone, arrest number 300. Not all of them have been bank robbers but most of them have said that special statement, "How did you know it was me"?

This suspect had a great plan and it was already tested last month at another bank at 625 Battery St. He would wear a mask, long trench coat, carry bags for each teller with draw strings so he could grab the bags quickly. After leaving the bank he changed clothes and placed everything into a briefcase, feeling secure now wearing a suit and tie. He then got lost in the downtown crowd, but 18 minutes later on a Muni bus he was taken into custody. At the Robbery Detail a bullet resistant vest he had under his shirt was removed. A loaded 9mm pistol with extra clip along with the money from the bank was recovered from his briefcase. (Just for your information, he was the fourth suspect with a vest arrested since last June!!)

There have been some special arrests, such as the kidnappings and extortions that have all gone well (two in Oakland this year with our equipment).

Let me get back to the main reason for writing this article. First, I would like to thank Capt. John Brunner (Ret.) who started the R.A.T. system in San Francisco back in 1981. He let me be part of the team when it first started. I would also like to thank all the bosses past and present who gave the team the OK to have fun and catch the bad guys. They also put up with the team always asking for more funds for training, vehicles and other equipment.

Special thanks to all of the officers who have helped me make a lot of those arrests, especially the ones who first picked up the signal but may not have been there at the arrest. That's one thing about this

system — all the units work as a team, and everyone is happy when an arrest is made no matter who makes it! Nothing makes me happier than when someone who just went through the training makes his first arrest!

Also, to all the personnel in communications, thanks. I know in the heat of battle, sometimes officers (like myself) get a little short on the radio, and after the arrest sometimes we forget to thank you for a job well done. We wouldn't be able to complete our mission of arresting the bad guys without your being a part of our team.

To all the inspectors in the robbery detail and the FBI who have helped the Robbery Apprehension team look good, thanks.

Last but not least, to my crew, Officers Keith Singer, Alan Hom, Tom Lee, Lynda Zmak, Bill Roualdes, and past crew Officers Dennis Callahan and Julie Yee. Thanks a lot for your time and for putting up with me yelling at all of you when we were behind schedule and having to work extra without pay to finish the training (more to come), the change over to the new system, and all the yearly equipment checks. Without your help, the system wouldn't be working at all!!

We take pride in all those arrests, because all the officers have worked together as a team with professionalism and were able to complete their goal to arrest the suspect safely. Only one minor car accident, no officers injured since 1981!!

Again, thanks for the first 300, and see you at arrest number 301, 302, 303, 304. (Just a couple more while this article was written).

Important Reminder: On the last three robberies, officers have been 10/97 when the 211 alarm came over the radio. All three have been good robberies where the suspect had just fled. All suspects were taken into custody and only one was armed. Don't be in a hurry to get into that bank. Have Dispatch make the call back and make sure that the suspect is gone! R.A.T. cars — remember you will receive the signal 5 to 7 minutes before the 211 alarm, so if you track it to the bank or business, stay outside until the call back is made. We have had suspects(s) still on scene in the past!

Other cities that have had the system less than a year have had one officer killed and two injured in shoot-outs!

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The San Francisco Police Museum held a grand opening on June 4th to celebrate its move from Civic Center to The Cannery. The Museum, under the guidance of Bob Fitzer, CSI, will be open from 11 A.M. to 6 P.M. daily.

Visitors will be able to see memorabilia from SFPD's colorful history and can also purchase souvenirs at the Museum's gift shop. Donations and profits from the gift shop will go to keep the Museum open.

A generous donation from the SFPOA helped Bob make the move and get the new space in The Cannery ready for the Museum.

THE MEMBERS SPEAK

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It Ain't Necessarily So

by Ron Morrison, Co. B

The Bible is a treasure of poetry, history, and advice on how to live. The various sects and divisions which have grown from its teachings each have their favorite verses from the Bible, sometimes with a very narrow focus. One verse or passage will be emphasized over all the others, and thus a foundation and wall are built, dividing one fortress of the truth from another. Every Baptist child knows John 3:16 by heart. Roman Catholic theologians have been inordinately fond through the centuries of the scene where Jesus tells Peter, "Thou art a rock, and upon this rock I will build my church". This, you see, makes a case for believing that the one true church is established and legitimized by those few words. Mormons like the one about "In my father's house are many mansions..." and I'm sure Christian Scientists and Seventh Day Adventists and Jehovah's Witnesses all have their own set of favorite verses, taken from various parts of the Bible and pieced together to make a cogent set of principles (or to justify a conclusion already arrived at). Sometimes, as we have seen, these principles will be in complete conflict with one or more of the others.

Out of the many beautiful passages in the Bible, however, there are some of my favorites which Christians almost never quote. That is natural enough, since some of these verses can contain very disturbing and demanding commandments. One of my very favorites is one I never heard as a text for a sermon, either in church or on the airwaves, in all my years of church-going and searching, and yet it is a passage which I believe would provide Christians with a way to take up lots and lots of their spare time, at least until the fall of 1994.

Here is the passage:

For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me, and ye visited me: (And the people ask Him, when did all these things happen, and He answers:)

...Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me. Matthew 25:35-40.

Notice, he did not say, "Send in your 10%, and hire a minister to take care of the sick, and the naked, and the hungry". He did not tell us to hire a psychologist, or a nurse, to go and take care of the down-and-out. He did not say, "I was naked, but since I was a drunk, or a drug addict, I guess it was my own fault, so never mind". Or, "I was sick, but because I was a prostitute and got AIDS, it was the judgement of God, and so you're excused from visiting me on that one". There is no doubt about it, if Jesus were wandering around on the streets and sidewalks of San Francisco today, saying the things that he said in those days, and consorting with the people he knew and lived with (instead of all us well-off, respectable people), he would be considered by most of us some kind of a nut. A lovable one or a dangerous one, but in any case someone slightly off his rocker. I say this not in criticism of him, but in admiration. And how difficult it must be to follow his instructions. After all, who wants to really try to talk to most of these people we pick up off the streets? Trying to reason with a drunk is usually pretty hopeless, likewise an addict or even a kid who's turning into a career thief.

But there it is, a pretty unequivocal set of instructions for doing well on that final exam at Judgement Days: feed the hungry, slake their thirst, take in the stranger, clothe the naked, visit the prisoner, and "...ye have done it unto me". This is a set of instructions for Christians on how to live, and I think if more of this sort of thing were practiced by them, they'd have better luck in reaching the rest of us. And who has more opportunities to practice these actions than a police officer? It is a short walk from any police station to find the nearest homeless person. It is a short ride up the elevator at the Hall of Justice to visit a prisoner at the jail, even if that prisoner is a stranger. That must be a tough thing to do, especially as a cop. But aren't we supposed to be tough? It is especially for anyone who professes to be a Christian to do these things, as their holy book suggests.

What's Going On Here?

by Sgt. William Bush, TTF

Recently, I was involved in a court case, that sets a dangerous precedent not only for fellow police officers, but for the citizens of San Francisco. Judge Perker Meeks suppressed evidence when we stopped a suspect who had been brandishing a firearm at people on the streets of the Tenderloin. Let me give you the facts of the case, some of the testimony, and the apparent reasoning (if you could call it that) the defense successfully used to have the evidence suppressed, then you make the call...

A call was broadcasted via dispatch that a "red" 68 vintage Ford Mustang, with a passenger wearing a plaid shirt, was "looking for working girls, and brandishing a gun." As is often the case in these instances, the reportee refused to identify themselves. An officer soon broadcasted information over the radio that he had seen a maroon Mustang matching that description in the area approximately ten minutes prior, and gave the direction of travel of the vehicle. Sgt. Mark McDonough and I were in the area, when we spotted the vehicle as described by the officer, at the corner of Geary and Leavenworth Streets. We also saw that the driver of the vehicle was wearing a plaid shirt. We followed the vehicle for a short distance, awaiting backup, and effected a felony stop at the corner of Bush and Taylor Streets. The driver and passenger were stopped and *detained* and a search of the car done. The driver asked what he was being stopped for, and was told that he was detained for a gun investigation. The suspect then said, "I've got a gun. It's in the trunk. It's registered to me." The suspect then motioned to the trunk of his car. We retrieved the keys to the car, and opened the trunk. Inside the trunk, was a blue backpack which had a .25 caliber Phoenix Arms semi-automatic handgun, and 5 loose .45 caliber rounds. We searched for a second hand-

gun, but couldn't find one. The suspect and the handgun were transported to the station, where we checked the gun, and found it loaded, with one in the chamber. The suspect was arrested and booked. Everything seems normal, SOP, right? But wait...

The defense, as is their right, motioned to suppress the evidence. The defense's major argument was that the gun should have been checked at the scene of the initial detention, and our transporting the defendant to the station without checking the gun to see if it was loaded, amounted to an illegal detention. We, as conscientious, and safety minded police officers, argued that to unload a weapon in the street, in public, unnecessarily places innocent citizens in danger of an accidental discharge. We argued that the safest way to unload ANY weapon, much less this one, was to do it out of anyone's line of fire, in a safe, controlled, well lit environment, where if an accidental discharge were to occur, the risk to any innocent bystanders would be minimal.

Judge Meeks, in his infinite wisdom, suppressed the evidence. His reasons were as follows: 1. He deemed it unreasonable to move the defendant from the scene, 2. He deemed it unreasonable that the weapon was not checked at the scene. He said that we "could have pointed the gun up in the air or at the ground" to check it, and, 3. in the opinion of a Departmental gun expert, the gun was easy to handle. For a gun expert, ANY gun is easy to handle, but mistakes are still made. And mistakes with guns can be costly.

Judge Meeks apparently agreed that we needed to unload the gun at the scene, risking other innocent lives. This bodes ill for police officers, and for other citizens. Can you imagine the lawsuit that would occur when an innocent citizen is hit by a bullet from an unfamiliar gun that an officer was attempting to

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1993 Annual Law Enforcement Survey of National Goals

This marks the 6th survey sent to 21,000 local, county, state and federal police command officers. The response shown below is based on 3,425 polls that have been returned as of April 1st, 1993. We urge you to review the poll as a pulse of law enforcement. From time to time various persons or organizations question. Our answer is to do as we have. Promise that no name will be released and question departments in the area around you. Exact same questions. Year after year the percentages have held steady and we have no doubt they are accurate. You may not agree with them but we remain the only association to contact every agency. We feel the questions and responses will help guide us in the year ahead in making policy.

Death Penalty

1. Do you feel that the death penalty serves as a deterrent to certain types of crimes? [91.9%] Yes [8.1 %] No
2. Would you agree that once the death penalty has been imposed that the appeal process set a limit of **three** years or no more than five years? [97.6%] Yes [2.4%] No
3. Peace officers are permitted under strict guidelines to take a life when they are forced to protect themselves or citizens. Do you agree that those states that do not have a death penalty **should** adopt one, placing the state in the **same** position they **require of an officer** who has only seconds to make a decision to use deadly force? [93.4%] Yes [6.6%] No

Drugs & Narcotics

4. Would you favor the legalization of any drugs that are presently prohibited by law for personal or recreational use? [6.9%] Yes [93.1 %] No
5. In your experience over the past five years, do you feel that illicit use, including alcohol abuse, has had a **major** effect on most crimes committed in **your** community? [95.7%] Yes [4.3%] No

Law Enforcement Ethics

6. Do you feel that it was proper for high ranking police officers to accept a trip to Japan with their wives, costing an average of \$20,000 per couple, sponsored by a company that is trying to sell an expensive police device manufactured in Japan? [7.2%] Yes [92.8%] No
7. There are many fast food chains or stores which provide either free or discounted meals to local officers. Do you feel that accepting either free or discounted meals is unethical? [58.3%] Yes [41.7%] No

Law Enforcement Manpower and Equipment

8. Do you believe that your law enforcement department is undermanned to carry out its duties at this date? [73.5%]

Yes [26.5%] No

9. Does your department have enough vehicles in service to patrol your jurisdiction day to day? [61.6%] Yes [38.4%] No

10. Do you feel that your officers have the best possible equipment on the market such as radios, firearms, emergency lights and other devices to meet your obligations to both the officers and to the community? [43.1%] Yes [56.9%] No

11. Most recently the inventor of bullet resistant armor accused the **National Institute of Justice** of causing the death of more than 300 officers by setting standards which cause officers not to wear the armor. These are serious allegations. Would you agree they should be investigated by Congress? [77.7%] Yes [22.3%] No

Firearms

12. Do you favor the **change** from a revolver to that of an automatic sidearm? [86.5%] Yes [13.5%] No

13. This year the "Brady Bill" is now described as a "5 day national waiting period". Should it be passed to **require** states with none or shorter periods to allow police the option of checking applicants? [77.7%] Yes [22.3%] No

14. Assuming that a 5 day waiting period was passed, do you think that criminals would still be able to obtain firearms from "illegal sources" in as short a time as a few hours? [97.3%] Yes [2.7%] No

15. Would you agree that **law abiding citizens** should continue to be able to purchase handguns, shotguns, rifles and other **legal** weapons for sport or self-defense? [97.7%] Yes [2.3%] No

16. If gun ownership was **banned** (except for police, the military and security) do you think that would prevent **criminals** from obtaining firearms? [2.1%] Yes [97.9%] No

17. Recent events in riots in Los Angeles, Chicago, New York and a Hurricane disaster in Florida, indicated that **police** alone could not respond to these disasters. Looting, fires, deaths or other injuries were in some cases prevented by citizens **arming themselves** Fighting off attackers. Under such conditions would you agree that citizens who are armed (in fact act as a militia) that the Second Amendment that Provides for the "right to bear arms" **should** remain intact? [92.2%] Yes [7.8%] No

18. Some recent social studies of the impact of violence on television and the complete violent sexual acts being performed have led to more violence and rape. Would you agree with these studies that place most of the blame on the **lack of standards** in movies, television and radio as well as magazines and newspapers for the present crime problems and lack of respect for police? [74.6%] Yes [25.4%] No

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General National Questions

19. Interpol is a private non-government organization of 158 nations which exchange data through a police bureau in each of these 158 nations. Has Interpol ever been of any assistance to your department? [18.5%] Yes [81.5%] No

20. Among some of its member nations are terrorists or those under the control of dictators. Iran, Iraq, Lybia, to name a few. Would you agree that nations who are enemies of the United States and of the free world should be suspended from membership? [86.3%] Yes [13.7%] No

21. Very recently a terrorist from the middle east **listed** by the U. S. Government in "Terrorist Profiles" was **secretly** permitted to fly into France, then allowed to leave. That permission came from the **President** of Interpol! This particular terrorist is listed as having blown up a French passenger plane. At least twelve other Interpol chiefs have been convicted of dealing in drugs; murder and other corrupt acts. Would you agree that Congress should review our relations with Interpol. The millions we pay in dues. In one case the former Chief of Mexico's Interpol Section was held responsible for the torture death of a DEA agent, for example. [97.9%] Yes [2.1%] No

22. Recent police traffic chases have ended with the death of innocent citizens by the car being pursued. As a result the departments are instructing officers not to take up traffic pursuit at all, or with very limited conditions. Do you feel that this public policy will encourage unsafe driving since pursuit is forbidden? [64.6%] Yes [35.4%] No

23. Do you feel that the courts, prosecutors and judges are too soft on career criminals? [95.8%] Yes [4.2%] No

24. Would you favor making military bases into sites for prisons to handle to overcrowding, and prisoners be required to do **hard labor** to fix roads, clean up the environment, etc.? [98.6%] Yes [1.4%] No

25. Time-Warner, Inc., permitted and defends its policy of a rap song by "Ice-T", called "Cop Killer". Do you feel that in turn police officers should be **encouraged** to enforce **all** traffic or other laws as one method of showing our displeasure with songs that call for the murder of police officers as our response to corporate irresponsibility? [24.7%] Yes [75.3%] No

Private Security & Alarms Issues

26. More homes and businesses are having alarms installed. The police criteria is that they be monitoring(l by a private service and that the alarm re-set within 20 minutes. Would you agree that installation of these alarms reduces them as a target by criminals. [89.6%] Yes, alarms help. [10.4%] No, alarms do not help.

27. It is estimated that more than 90% of all alarms are set off by accident and are time consuming ofes. Would you favor a regulation that required alarm companies to dispatch alarm security officers who could then call police if it appeared a crime was taking place or had taken place at the business or residence? [44.3%] Yes [55.7%] No

28. Would you agree that every state should require a statewide standard to train private security of ficers including that of a background check of each employee? [98.1%] Yes [1.9%] No

29. It is estimated that private uniformed security of ficers outnumber police ten to one. Would you agree that an effort be made to train private officers for natural or man made disasters under civil defense programs sponsored by local police. (Such power for emergency use is generally provided under state laws for limited periods.) [77.3%] Yes [22.7%] No

30. Some communities offer cash for the turn in of firearms called "gun Amnesty" programs. Do you feel that this type of program will produce less guns on the street by criminals? [12.6%] Yes [87.4%] No

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EDITORS NOTE . . . UH, PLEA: I'm using this picture because, although it just appeared in May's Focus On Patrol, it is the **last** photo I have! If you enjoy this feature, I must get more photos. Please sent 'em to: Tom Flippin, Editor c/o POA.



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Close Encounters

by Steve Johnson, SFPOA Secretary

We are now approaching the 4th month of being held hostage in a watch off schedule that has resulted in nothing but disharmony and frustration among patrol officers and yet Chief ~ibera refuses to admit his program has failed.

The Chief's schedule was supposedly implemented to give management more control over personnel resources. Management did an outstanding job showing us how well the new system worked during the Cinco de Mayo fiasco and many district stations are still operating at below officer-safety levels.

It's amazing how dedicated our members are — still maintaining their standards of excellence after 103 days of "punishment" Unfortunately, Chief, everyone has a breaking point...

The month of May/93 gave us a great number of 'close encounters' as 29 people in San Francisco were gunned down at the following locations:

- Army/Harrison Streets
- Unit block of Westpoint
- Unit block of Northridge
- 400 block of Page Street
- 700 block of O'Farrell Street
- 18th/Pennsylvania Streets
- 1700 block of Oakdale
- 30th/Mission Streets
- Mission/Richland
- Sickles/Alemanay
- 2800 22nd Street
- 200 block of Shotwell Street
- 400 block of Head Street
- 1250 Eddy Street
- 5200 Block of 3rd Street
- 500 block of Divisadero

- 25th/Pennsylvania Streets
- 24th/Alabama Streets
- 22nd/Folsom Streets
- 2500 block of Mission Street
- 29th Street/San Jose Ave
- 2400 block of Bryant Street
- 5th/Mission Streets
- 26th/Florida Streets
- LaSalle/Osceola
- Hayes/Larkin Streets
- 6200 block of 3rd Street
- 19th/Mission Streets
- 1300 block of Hawes Street

But help is on the way — Our department is applying for several grants to combat gang activity — I can only hope that these grants will be honored and the monies associated not be held back simply because we have a "City of Refuge" ordinance. If however, the federal/state revenue enhancement (i.e. grant money) is denied because of a policical posture, I would hope that the body politic of San Francisco will take the initiative to make whatever policy cnanges are necessary for the benefit of the citizens we serve.

I would have like to have continued this column in the usual manner, (i.e. reporting acts of heroism involving our members) but we have suddenly been confronted with a new dilemma - a mayoral candidate who ran on a public safety platform then turned on the public and those who supported him by threatening to lay-off 85 police officers, thereby giving other politicians in this city a bad reputation.

Our "Citizen Mayor" Frank M. Jordan, was also a police officer at one time and knew how stressful it was to have to wear a gun to work every day — Just in case you forgot, Mr. Mayor, the gun is necessary because police officers in San Francisco may have to use it to save their own life or the life of another — And, after having 29 people gunned down in just one month, the stress level is even higher among officers. So why is it necessary for the Mayor we endorsed to increase the pressure even more by threatening to take the very livelihood 85 of our members have depended upon — These 85 individuals had every right to plan for their future for the next 4 years since you, Mr. Mayor, entered into what we believed was a "good faith" obligation.

The following individuals who received lay-off notices are just numbers to you, Mr. Mayor, but to us they are very important people:

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Since 85 San Francisco police officers will be victim to political extortion, it seems only right that we start a list of our own — a list of political figures who have demonstrated absolutely no leadership nor management skills. And I can guarantee you, Mr. Mayor, you'll have no competition for the number one slot.

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Lieutenant Jack O'Shea

by Greg Corrales

I first met Jack O'Shea, "The Red Baron," in March of 1971. I was being interviewed for the "opportunity" to work undercover in the Narcotic Detail. At the time, working undercover narcotics entailed quite a bit more than growing a beard, getting an earring, and buy-busting with the assistance of a cover officer/s. After that interview I knew exactly how Gunnery Sergeant Dan Daly's troops felt while pinned down in the trenches at Lucy-le-Bocage, on the fringe of Belleau Wood, on 4 June, 1914. As Gunnery Sergeant Dan Daly was about to lead his Marines "over the top" to face the murderous German machine-gun fire, he shouted to them, "Come on, you sons of bitches! Do you want to live forever?" By the time that Jack O'Shea was done talking to me I couldn't wait to go to Sunnydale & Hahn and buy a couple bags of heroin! Those years working for the Red Baron on the night Narcotic crew were to have a tremendous impact on both my career and my life.

Jack O'Shea was one of the greatest football players that San Francisco ever produced, prior to O.J. He was recently inducted into the San Francisco State College Athletic Hall of Fame. He held the SF State rushing record for over twenty years, and played for the United States Marine Corps and briefly with the Washington Redskins. The best football anecdote that I know about The Red Baron capsuled Jack's personality, for those of you unfortunate enough never to have known Jack.

Prior to entering the SFPD, Jack had been an officer in the United States Marine Corps. He had very "tough duty," a lieutenant whose job was playing football for the USMC! After playing for the Quantico Marines, Jack got orders for Korea. Did Jack get orders for Korea to help the war effort? Perhaps. More likely however, Jack got sent to Korea because the U. S. Marine Corps needed the best running back in the Marine Corps to play football in the interservice playoffs. Needless to say, Jack made the Marine Corps All Star Team. Jack's competition for first string running back was a lieutenant by the name of Pettibone, who had been an All American while playing for Notre Dame, two years before. When the starting lineup was posted, Jack said that he turned to Pettibone, "and in my sensitive, tactful manner told him, 'Pettibone, All American from Notre Dame?...O'Shea, starting right halfback, from San Francisco State!'"

On 1 July, 1964 Jack O'Shea was sworn into the San Francisco Police Department. From the moment that Jack entered the academy, he had problems with those who were running the academy. He was not your typical police recruit, not even for the early sixties. Jack had major "juice" throughout his career. When his confidence and irreverence irritated the academy staff of the time, they told him, "O'Shea, you're going to the Potrero." Jack, in his "sensitive, tactful manner," told the academy staff, "No I'm not. I'm going to the Central." Jack, of course, went to the Central. When his juice determined that it was in Jack's best interests to leave the Central, he was transferred to the Mission. His cousin, Phil Kiley, was the captain of the district. His first day at the Mission he met with Captain Kiley who told him that the beats were filled, but asked what assignment he wanted. Jack replied in his "sensitive, tactful manner," "Which is the best beat?"

Jack O'Shea was a living legend, a man that was truly "bigger than life". Jack O'Shea was a man of extremes. He never lost a fight on eighteenth street ("when eighteenth street was tough"), yet he had

the sophistication to be selected by George Moscone as the man to replace Charles Gain as Chief of Police, before tragedy struck and an entire new lineup surfaced. Twenty-two years ago, Jack assembled the SFPD night Narcotic crew, the most multi-racial unit in the history of the pre-consent decree police department. Jack judged people by their the size of their hearts, never by the color of their skins. All I have to do is list some of the outstanding cops that worked for Jack in that Narcotics night crew to give you an idea what kind of a leader Jack was. My old partner Marvin Dean, Art Gerrans and Jim Hampton, Napoleon Hendrix and Don Daniels, Billye Morrow, Pat Wolfe, Ike Nelson, Jim Lommax and Andy Boles, Joe Kirley, Dick Wallett, Steve Bosshard, Bill Simms, and on and on.

Over the last five years, Jack and I became very close. He was a brilliant man, whose counsel I learned to appreciate and to rely on. Jack had a number of regrets in his later life which were always on his mind but, as a rule, Jack was able to "white knuckle it" and go about his life. During the last four days of Jack's life, we shared a hotel room in Mexico. We had many long conversations during those four days. During one of those conversations Jack told me that he didn't think he had much time left. During those four days we talked about Jack's three great loves. Sometimes it was hard for Jack to show it, but he loved his children, Matt, Dolly, Tim, and Sheila very much. Anyone who knew Jack even casually knew that he was still carrying a torch for Mary, his ex-wife. And Jack loved the San Francisco Police Department.

Although we lost Jack O'Shea on 8 April, much, much too soon, I am consoled by several things. First of all, Jack's last four days were an outstanding four days. He had a great time! He was very happy and at peace. Secondly, Jack did not suffer. He never knew what hit him. Most importantly, however, Jack is finally at peace.

On 1 September, 1989 one of the "old night crew", Pat Wolfe died, and Jack wrote something to him, that I would now like to repeat, this time to **my hero**, Jack O'Shea:

"So we again say farewell to a comrade-in-arms, a fellow warrior for the people. A brother and member of our select group of those who were tested by fire and passed the test.

We salute you, Jack, and promise you that we shall all form up again. Form up in Pride and Glory that shall not be denied!

Good-bye Jack. I love you and I will never forget you. Semper Fidelis!"

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The Wall

by Ed Browne

Mayor Frank Jordan's perspective concerning the current budget crisis facing San Francisco is that every city department must contribute its fair share to assist in balancing that budget. Whether it is layoffs of city personnel, economic give-backs by employees, or reducing services, the Mayor has a difficult task at hand, to say the least.

The SFPD has a Memorial Wall located on the main floor of the Hall of Justice. Engraved in this hard, cold stone wall are the names of police officers who made the ultimate sacrifice, dying in the line of duty. It is a tribute to their lives and their calling. For all who come to the wall and gaze through its dimness, there shines a transparency of honor. Every name on the wall tells a different story, and yet the same. A group of people, city employees, who had a divine calling. Unique individuals who shared the same common goal: to make San Francisco a safer city to live. In reflection at the wall, one cannot help but think that the police officers of this city are an elite group of people. Men and women willing to subject themselves to perilous dangers, day in and day out. Yet, to the Mayor of this city, police officers are just another division of city employees, who must pay for the social and economic problems facing his city budget team.

Making this city function within a tight budget is indeed a dilemma, but to the citizens living in the city and the police officers working the streets it is much more than a dilemma. It is the thought of living in fear and working in fear. The constant threat of the criminal element that surrounds our homes and our business community. The idea of impacting our police department, whether by deleting services, laying off officers or eliminating and altering working conditions is grossly unjust and intolerable. Ask any survivor of a fallen officer whose name appears on the Wall.

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by Bill Hemby,
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Workplace Fairness Legislation: HR5 and S55

The bill banning permanent replacement of striking workers, workplace fairness legislation, is moving slowly through the U.S. House of Representatives. It is extremely important that House members, those who support the bill as well as those on the fence or currently opposed, know their constituents support this bill, that will simply restore a measure of fairness to labor-management relations in our nation. President Clinton has promised to sign the legislation BUT IT MUST FIRST BE PASSED IN THE HOUSE where a vote is expected in late May or early June and later in the Senate.

Order postcards that you can send today to your own Congressperson. Some of you may already be involved in this project, at the request of your local, but if you are not, please work to mobilize your members to send cards to their Members of Congress.

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All Members of Congress should receive cards. All members need to hear the message now.

SEIU National Legislative Conference

SEIU National Legislative Conference will be held in Washington, DC, May 24-26. A workshop session on seniors/retirees issues will be held the afternoon of May 24. Your SEIU Retired Members Advisory Committee will meet the weekend preceding the Legislative Conference.

For California Members: A statewide coalition of elders, disabled persons, and workers is working to increase funds for home care programs and to create county-level public authorities to strength the program both for clients and for worker. Coalitions are at work in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Alameda, Santa Clara, Sacramento and other counties. There will also be a statewide postcard campaign on funding. To find out how to involve your SEIU retiree, check with your local union leader or call 1800-227-3611.

California's state, county and local budget battles continue. Sacramento Rally, June 16.

Staving Off Financial Disaster.

Without exception, the big story in 1993 is budget, budget, budget. With threatened layoffs and furloughs, closing of libraries, jail facilities, fire stations; curtailing essential services, cities and counties are fighting hard to maintain funding from the state.

At issue is the planned shifting of \$2.6 billion in property taxes from the locals to the state. The loss of this revenue to local cities and counties will be devastating. The District Attorney in San Joaquin County is planning to not try misdemeanor cases. Los Angeles County says it will have to close 5 of 10 jail facilities; 9 of 20 Sheriff stations; 44 of 127 fire stations; 5 of 6 hospitals; and 17 of 19 probation camps.

Smaller rural counties plan to close down police services during early morning hours, close city hall on certain days and cut services. Some counties are fearful they may just have to close up shop.

Cities and counties are planning a series of demonstrations at the State Capitol to pressure legislators into maintaining state bailout funding. Budget maneuvers however, have not really begun. In the next few weeks you will see the real fights.

Warrant Of Delinquency

Ex-Assemblyman and now, Judge Larry Stirling, San Diego Municipal Court has proposed one program that would assist cities and counties financially, by collecting outstanding misdemeanor warrants to help pay for law enforcement services.

Judge Stirling asserts there are somewhere between 3 and 6 million unserved arrest warrants outstanding in the state of California. Over 90 percent of these warrants are for misdemeanors and represent between 3 and 6 billion dollars in revenue for state and local governments.

Execution of arrest warrants is solely the responsibility of the executive branch, not the courts. Penal Code sections 1214 and 1214.1 allow cities to convert most of these fines into civil liabilities which can be collected through civil process and collection agencies. Cities and counties have authority to impose additional costs for having to pay for warrant enforcement and collection efforts.

In essence, the Warrant of Delinquency program would allow cities and counties to turn a criminal misdemeanor warrant into a civil warrant of delinquency and give it to a collection agency. In collecting these billions of dollars, local governments could resort to imposing liens on property, impound automobiles, and attach wages—the costs of collecting the fines can be added to the warrant.

What Would Be Needed To Implement This Program

I. Establish a new bench warrant, called a "Warrant Of Delinquency".

A. A Warrant of Delinquency arises when a person has been charged with a

non-serious misdemeanor or an infraction—has been required to appear in court and has failed to appear.

B. A Warrant of Delinquency:

1. Notifies the defendant of the failure to appear.

2. Gives the defendant ten (10) days to return to court.

3. Tells the defendant that his failure to return to court will be deemed to be a no contest plea to the underlying offense.

4. Tells the defendant that civil liability shall accrue in the amount determined by each county taking into consideration the maximum underlying fine, plus the costs of the failure to appear, plus the cost of collection.

5. The collection of the civil liability dismisses the failure to appear charge.

6. Tells the defendant that the failure to pay the civil liability within thirty (30) days will be reported to private credit agencies and will result in the imposition of public or private collection proceedings.

7. Tells the defendant that after thirty (30) days it will result in suspension of any state income, contracts or licenses.

C. A Warrant of Delinquency is in lieu of an arrest warrant.

D. A Warrant of Delinquency is issued by the court.

E. A Warrant of Delinquency will be sent to a revenue recovery agency to be established in each county (optional—the city or county could hire people to perform this function also.)

F. The Warrant of Delinquency places immediate civil liability on the defendant.

1. The civil liability will be up to the maximum amount for the crime, plus the costs to government, plus the costs of securing the presence of the person in court, plus the costs of collecting the fine.

G. The Warrant of Delinquency is transmitted by the court to the collection agency or governmental agency responsible for the collection and the defendant.

How does collection operate.

A. Exercises any lawful civil remedy and after expiration of initial thirty (30) days then contracts with a private collection agency to collect the debt.

Fines collected from Warrants of Delinquency should be distributed where they are served. Fines collected within city limits should be utilized for local police departments, fines collected within county limits should be utilized by county sheriffs departments. A small portion should be given the state to set up a state-wide computer data base that would track service. Warrant of Delinquency fines should be used to augment existing funding, not replace existing funding.

What Needs To Be Done.

I am working on implementing language into Assembly Bill 558 and AB 1, legislative bills available to implement the program. AB 558 is a spot bill and will be used to set up the Warrant of Delinquency program. In order to force some local agencies to act, it may be necessary to put mandatory language in the bill.

The Warrant of Delinquency is not a bad idea. Why hasn't it been implemented? Cities say they don't have the manpower to collect the money. It seems to me that before you would consider raising taxes, you might want to collect outstanding debts—doesn't that sound logical? So, what else is new?

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Re: Decision of Mediation/Arbitration Board in Interest Proceedings Between SEIU and the City and County of San Francisco

Dear Mayor Jordan:

Two recent letters from the City's Employee Relations Director to Arbitrator John Kagel, the Neutral Arbitrator in the above-referenced case, dated May 24, 1993 and May 27, 1993, seriously misrepresent what occurred during the mediation/arbitration proceedings, and require a response.

I am a member of the tripartite Mediation/Arbitration Board that was selected to resolve the interest dispute between SEIU Locals 250, 535 and 790, and the City and County of San Francisco, pursuant to the impasse resolution procedures in Charter §8.409-4. I was selected as the Union representative on the Board, while Jerry Spain, formerly of the City Attorney's Office, was the management representative. It was our role on the Board to act as partisans and advocates for our respective sides, and to provide advice and assistance to the Neutral Arbitrator, John Kagel.

Under Charter §8.409-4, we were to mediate and, if necessary, arbitrate this interest dispute. Some explanation of mediation may be helpful. Mediation typically involves informal joint and private meetings with the parties, so that the mediator may gain a better understanding of the issues, facts and positions. Separate meetings are generally confidential, so that original positions are not jeopardized. This assists the mediator in obtaining a resolution of the dispute.

When a tripartite board is involved in mediation, as required by Charter §8.409-4, there is an obvious need for each of the parties to be able to meet with the neutral mediator in the absence of the opposition party's representative on the board. These private meetings between the neutral mediator/arbitrator and one or another of the parties, are commonly accepted.

Numerous such private meetings occurred during these proceedings. At some, Arbitrator Kagel met separately with City representatives, and at others he met with representatives of the Union.

On Saturday, May 23, the Arbitration Board convened at Arbitrator Kagel's office as had been planned and announced, for the purpose of considering which of the two last best offers it would approve, the City's or the Union's. When I arrived at this meeting, Mr. Spain and Mr. Kagel were already present. They immediately advised me of two major recommendations that they had already discussed.

First, they addressed the issue of the City having submitted two last best offers (one, a one [1] year package proposal, and the other a three [3] year package), rather than one "last best offer", as appears to be required by the City Charter. Arbitrator Kagel informed Mr. Spain and me that it was his opinion that the City's action was improper and in violation of the Charter. However rather than declare that the City had forfeited its right to have a single last best offer considered, as was urged in the Union's Brief, he preferred to provide the City with another opportunity to submit one final package proposal. Arbitrator Kagel also stated that under the circumstances, the Union should also be provided an opportunity to submit another last best offer. Both Jerry Spain and I agreed without argument.

Arbitrator Kagel's second significant recommendation was a critical one. He advised us that on further reflection and

after having reviewed the submissions of the parties, he had concluded a three (3) year contract would be preferable. Because the Arbitration Panel had earlier advised the parties a four (4) year contract would be favorably viewed, and because in reliance thereon, the Union had submitted a four (4) year package

proposal, this recommendation constituted a major departure which required direct communications with both parties. In addition, as the deadline for a decision by the Arbitration Board was Tuesday, May 25, we had only two (2) to three (3) days to let both sides know of our new recommendation and obtain their responses.

I advised Arbitrator Kagel and Mr. Spain that, if we were to notify the Union that the Arbitration Board now preferred a three (3) year proposal, we should expect a new Union proposal calling for more money in the third year. This is because the Union had "backloaded" its four (4) year package proposal, deferring the increases it determined it needed for its members to the third and fourth years, attempting to accommodate the City's "ability to pay" problems in the first year. I further advised them that before I could give significant further advice regarding the Union's response to this new proposed recommendation, I would have to consult with the Union's representatives.

As a result, it was agreed I would contact the Union's Chief Negotiator, who was available by phone, as were numerous other Union representatives and Negotiating Committee members. Mr. Spain was also going to attempt to contact City representatives.

The Union's Chief Negotiator, Ms. Josie Mooney, was reached by phone immediately and came to meet with the Arbitration Board within thirty (30) minutes. By contrast, no City representative could be reached. This was quite surprising, as it had been announced that the Arbitration Board would be deliberating over and probably deciding this case at this time.

When Ms. Mooney arrived, she met initially with the three members of the Board. It was readily apparent to all of us that she was very upset with Arbitrator Kagel's recommendation that the parties now consider a three (3) year proposal rather than one for four (4) years. She then met alone with Arbitrator Kagel in the main conference room in his office for approximately ten (10) minutes, at which point I decided to join them.

Prior to my joining Arbitrator Kagel and Ms. Mooney, Jerry Spain and I were waiting in an adjoining office. We discussed the Kagel/Mooney meeting, and both agreed that we did not think either of us needed to be directly involved at that point. It

seemed to me that it was more expeditious for us to have the Neutral Arbitrator explain his rationale for a three (3) year contract to the Union Chief Negotiator alone.

However, after about ten (10) minutes, I joined Arbitrator Kagel and Ms. Mooney to determine whether or not we could proceed to discuss a three (3) year package. Though Ms. Mooney still expressed objections to a three (3) year agreement, she let me know what enhancements she thought she needed to get approval from her Negotiating Committee for a three (3) year proposal to be forthcoming from the Union.

During the next half hour or so, I discussed numerous economic proposals with Arbitrator Kagel. He indicated that some were definitely not things that he would be willing to recommend, while others might be appropriate under the circumstances.

Soon thereafter, Arbitrator Kagel met with Mr. Spain and me, in the presence of Ms. Mooney, and described what kind of

three (3) year economic package he thought would be acceptable. I then concurred with his recommendation in its entirety, though it did not contain certain improvements that were sought by the Union. Mr. Spain made no comment, but agreed to take the information back to the City's Negotiating Committee for their response.

This process was the same as that which had been followed by the Arbitration Panel prior to our initial call for last best offers. We had earlier brought both parties together, advised them of our collective positions on each issue, and urged them to submit a four (4) year package proposal that was consistent with our stated preference.

It was at this point that the Arbitration Board prepared its May 22, 1993 letter to both parties, ordering them to submit new last best offers by 6:30 p.m. on May 24, 1993, stating therein that we would be favorably disposed to a three (3) year package with the economic provisions earlier outlined by Arbitrator Kagel. This letter was signed by all members of the Arbitration Board.

Mr. Spain, the City's representative on the Arbitration Board, made no objection at any time on May 22, nor should he have. The City Charter is quite clear on the authority of the

Board to meet with the parties. It states that the Board "[i]n the exercise of its discretion, may meet privately with the parties to mediate or mediate/arbitrate the dispute. The board may also adopt other procedures designed to encourage an agreement between the parties, expedite the arbitration hearing process, or reduce the cost of the arbitration process."

The letters of May 24 and May 27, 1993 from the Employee Relations Director to Arbitrator Kagel can only be explained at this juncture as an attempt to

groundlessly set up an attack on the Award.

The real dispute between the parties was over money. The City demonstrated an "ability to pay" problem given its present fiscal problems. However, the Union also demonstrated that increased compensation was necessary for the City's numerous long-term nonpermanent employees, and that bargaining unit employees lag behind other jurisdictions and other City employees in health care coverage and retirement contributions. While the Union attempted to meet the City's needs by agreeing to a freeze the first year of the contract, the City's last best offer failed to address the needs of the employees represented by the Union in any appreciable manner.

It's apparent to this member of the Arbitration Board that once it became clear the Board was inclined to address the Union's needs as well as those of the City, the management team decided to lay the groundwork to attack the Award, rather than attempt to obtain a favorable decision by submitting a competitive package proposal.

There is no other explanation for the City's having withdrawn its three (3) year proposal and submitting a one (1) year proposal in the face of the Arbitration Board's specific statement that it would "give particular credence to economic offers of a three year duration . . ."

The attack on the Neutral Arbitrator, and the collective bargaining and advisory arbitration process itself, is unseemly and without merit. City representatives should be attempting to make the process work rather than attempt to undercut it with frivolous charges.

The Decision and Award should be upheld.

Very truly yours,
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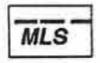
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LAYOFF

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wage freeze the first year, it also provides for increases in pay and benefits during its second and third years. The agreement, which is expected to be upheld by the Board of Supervisors next week, was made by the Arbitrator despite the strong opposition of the Mayor. In rejecting the Mayor's contentions, the Arbitrator was persuaded by the fact that City employees have agreed to wage freezes in three of the last six years. It ought not be surprising that the POA and other City Employee Unions are opposed to this singleminded and shortsighted approach to financing City services.

The City and its elected representatives must determine what level of services it is going to provide and how it is going to pay for them. Now, as a result of existing contracts and the SEIU arbitration award, they must do this without freezing salaries every other year.

POA May Seek Injunction To Prevent Layoffs

If the City persists with its efforts to lay off police officers, its action will be challenged because 54% of those scheduled for layoff are minority officers. In a conference last week with the Auditor-Monitor,

who has authority to monitor the City's progress under the Consent Decree, the POA took the position that the City has jumped the gun by sending the layoff notices out. We contended that, in our opinion, the layoffs were threatened probably more due to the Mayor's frustration with the position taken by the POA than to the City's fiscal condition. We pointed out that what progress the City has made hiring minority officers under the decree will be unnecessarily halted and reversed, to an extent, by the layoffs, and that there is no demonstrable need for this action at this time. We also notified the Auditor-Monitor that the POA will seek an injunction prohibiting the layoffs if the City does not rescind its action by June 16, 1993.

In addition, the Association has written the City requesting to negotiate over the layoffs, pointing out that we do not believe they are necessary at this time due to the State monies that are becoming available to the City as noted above and, in any event, that they would most likely be in violation of the Consent Decree.

We have a meeting scheduled with those officers who have received layoff notices on Tuesday, June 8 at the POA office, and will keep the membership informed of all developments as they occur.

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suitability, compatibility with male counterparts, etc.). As to allowing women to fly combat missions and to serve aboard ship in combat, I can think of no reason why they should not. This, however, is the opinion of one who knows very little about aerial or naval combat.

One thing I do know about is ground combat. I hope that women are never allowed to participate in ground combat. I have yet to hear anyone give my reason however. I oppose women serving in ground combat units because the fewer Americans that are exposed to the **horror** of ground combat, the better.

"Horror". It's a word many use without even thinking about it. Think about what "horror" means to you. Horror is sixteen short-timers going out to a combat observation post that is allegedly a "milk run." Sixteen 19 and 20-year old Marines who at some point accepted death half-a-world from home as inevitable. Sixteen old-before-their-times Marines who now were thinking the unthinkable. They were going back to "the world". They were talking about what they were going to do when they got home, what they were going to do when they got out of the Marine Corps. It was too good to be true! And, of course, it was too good to be true. Sixteen brothers of every race overrun.

"Overrun". That's another word that connotes terror which few can imagine. I fervently hope that no American ever again fights hand-to-hand with an enemy that is already inside his/her wire. An enemy that vastly outnumbers him/her. Never has to look an enemy in the eye as

he/she pulls their K Bar from the enemy's throat as explosions and screams fill the air. The screams of their dying comrades. When things can't get worse, they are hit with gas. Those that are not immediately killed have a few moments to think their last thoughts. They know they are going to die. Without a doubt, they are about to be wiped out. There is no hope. One of their comrades who has several traumatic amputations begins to beg them, on their friendship, to kill him and put him out of his agony. His screams and pleas will haunt them the rest of their lives. Those Marines all went home. Twelve of them went home in body bags. Going home for the four survivors was almost as bad as the Nam had been. I oppose ground combat

I also oppose ground combat for men. Unfortunately, sometimes it must be done. For the last 218 years men have done it. I think they are stuck with it. I guarantee you one thing, however. If my recon team needed an emergency extraction, and the helicopter that came to save us was piloted by Kim Reynolds, or if she was on the fifty caliber machine gun, she would be as welcome to everyone on that recon team, as she is to any police officer who has requested a 10-25!

"It is a maxim among these lawyers that whatever hath been done before may legally be done again, and therefore they take special care to record all the decisions formerly made against common justice and the general reason of mankind. These, under the name of precedents, they produce as authorities, to justify the most iniquitous opinions."

Jonathan Swift

Dear

Today San Francisco's government spends more than \$2 billion dollars. Mayor Agnos' solution to budget deficits has been to cut services and increase taxes. Closing libraries and raising Muni fares are unacceptable solutions.

Frank Jordan supports a well planned, thoughtful budget process that address the City's economic health on a year round basis, not just at budget time.

Frank would appoint a Fiscal Planning Task Force of financial experts and economists from business, labor, universities and city government to audit every City Department and Agency with an eye on eliminating bureaucratic waste and inefficiency.

Frank would impose a hiring freeze — except on emergency services — to halt governmental growth pending the Task Force report.

We need solutions, not closed libraries.

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Dear

San Francisco's Police Department is short nearly 200 police officers. Understaffed district stations are being stripped of officers to provide election year window-dressing in the Tenderloin.

The narcotics unit has been cut by half; the community relations unit disbanded.

Frank Jordan has promised to bring back the police department's authorized strength in order to return safety to our streets. Frank has promised to re-establish the "flying squad" of 50 to 75 experienced officers who can move from neighborhood to neighborhood depending on crime patterns.

Frank will expand the CPOP program (Community Policing on Patrol) of uniformed officers on beats, a program he initiated.

We need a Mayor who will make certain that our City is properly and professionally policed.

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These postcards were distributed in 1991 by The Committee To Elect Frank Jordan Mayor. The promises on the cards were made by Frank Jordan when he was running for mayor against Art Agnos.

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2:30 PM	Under 14S	Mavericks	vs	Vikings	West Sunset #1
1:00 PM	Under 14W	Bulldogs	vs	Rayos	West Sunset #1

Three divisions are still playing regularly scheduled games and play-off teams are still undetermined.

Look for the winners in the next issue.

Junior Golf

Junior Golf Classes will start in July for ages 7-18. Beginner classes will be on Monday and Tuesday, Intermediate classes on Wednesday and Thursday, and Advance classes on Friday. Classes will be one hour each day. Please call the PAL office at 695-6935 to place your child on the mailing list.

San Francisco Youth Baseball

by Stan Chiarucci, Director

The PAL, FLAME, and Recreation & Park sponsored youth baseball league is winding down league play.

The 10 and under divisions are entering their final games of a very successful season with many players having experienced the camaraderie of team participation, and the thrills and spills of competition for the first time.

Some very tight races in the 11 - 14 divisions will require a final week of league play to determine the playoff positions.

The playoffs will commence the week of June 8th and conclude with city championships on June 19th.

If you are interested in witnessing a positive youth experience and would like to watch some great baseball, the city championships will be held at Jackson Playground, 17th and Mariposa on June 19th from 10 AM until 5 PM. concession stands will be open to provide food and beverages for the whole family.

If you cannot attend the championship games, you will have a second chance to see youth baseball in action at Jackson Playground on Saturday, June 26th, when selected players will participate in the "All Star Games".

Players from the All Star Games with other nominated players will then have the opportunity to try out for the San Francisco Youth Baseball sponsored "National Pony Baseball Teams." Four tournament teams will have a baseball-filled summer competing in the National Pony Tournament and various local tournaments including the Annual Tournament held in August.

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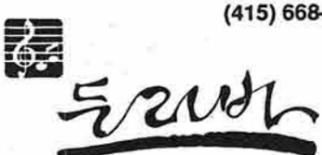
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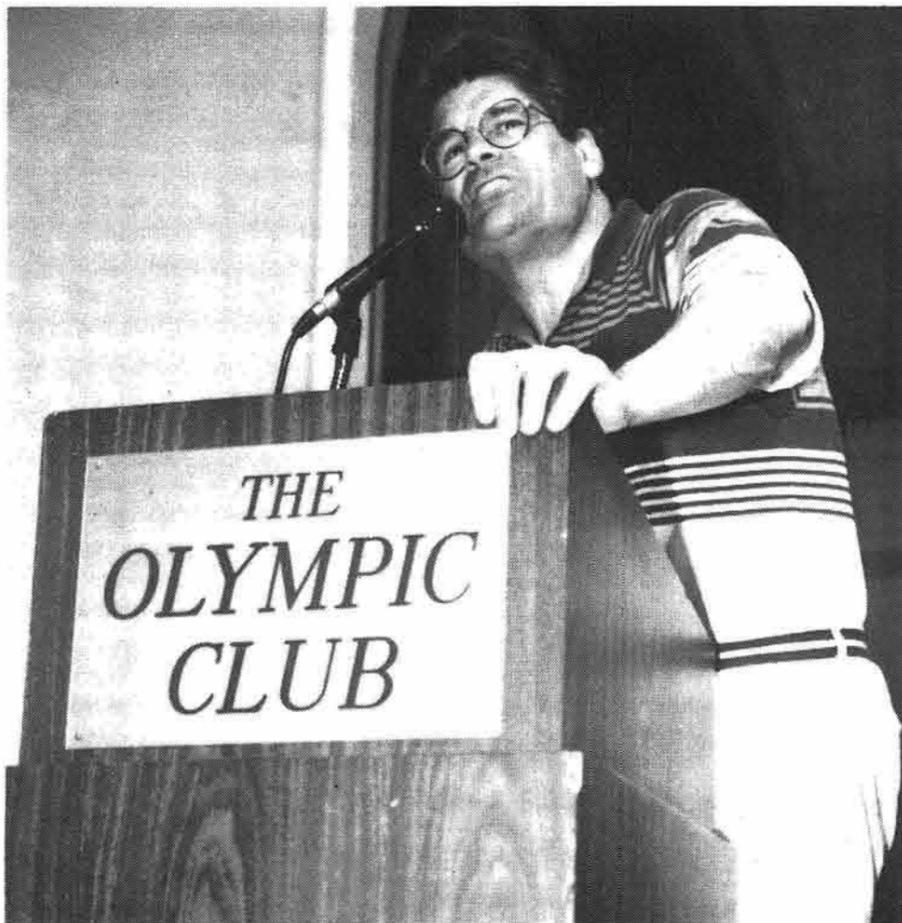


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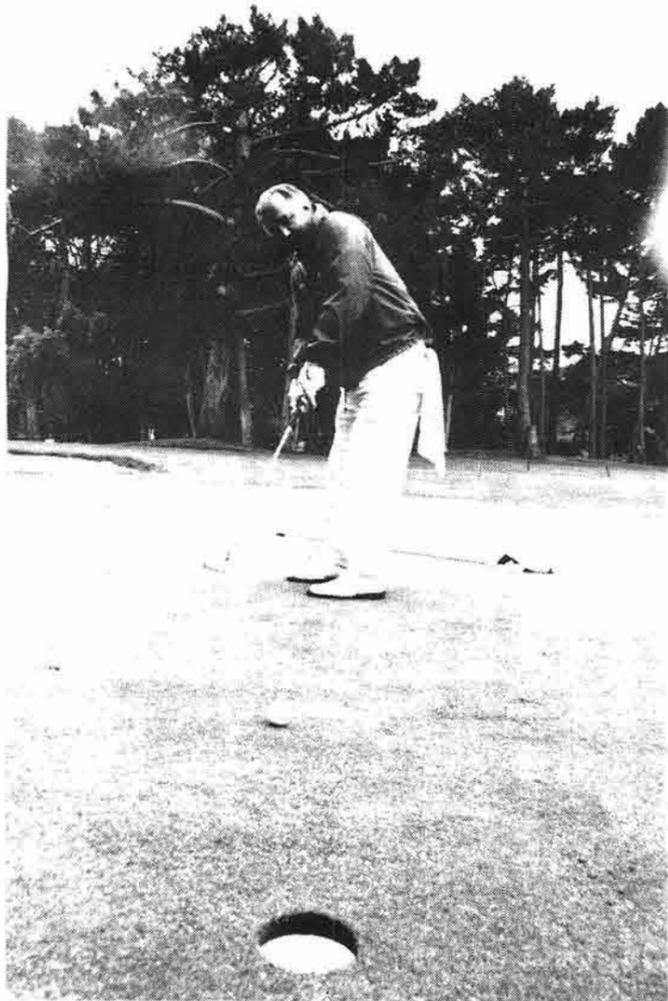
SFPOA GOLF



Bob Sarlatte had no shortage of material on San Francisco "goins on".



Al Trigueiro, SFPOA President, may not be singin' in the rain, but at least he's got a smile on his face.



Jim Sturken (Ret.) lined this one up right!

POA Golf Tournament To Benefit Scholarship Fund

by Bruce Lorin

The second annual POA Golf Tournament was held on Monday, May 24, 1993. 160 Players participated on the Lake course at the Olympic Club. 45 active and retired San Francisco Police Officers played along with community members in a fun tournament. The day began with a continental breakfast at registration. The Olympic Club pro Jim Lucius conducted a clinic at the driving range just prior to the noon shotgun start. Lunches were provided on the course along with beer and soft drinks. We experienced some rain during the round that added to the difficulty factor of such a great golf course. After golf, the tournament committee hosted cocktails until dinner was served. A fine prime rib dinner was enhanced by comedian Bob Sarlatte, who entertained the 200 dinner guests with his wit and led the raffle for prizes.

The proceeds from this tournament will be going to a special college scholarship fund. This scholarship fund will give

preference to children of slain and deceased officers. This is our second golf tournament toward that fund. The POA is in the process of setting up a committee and criteria to dispense the funds. Any members wishing to become involved, or families in position to utilize these scholarships, should contact Insp. Phil Dito through the POA office 861-5060.

A special thanks to the Golf Tournament Committee members who helped me make this event a success; Bob Huegle, Phil Dito, Jerry Senkir, Bob Fife, Tom Donohoe, Frank Machi, Gary Lemos, Ray Kilroy, Phil McGee, Roy Sullivan, and all the volunteers who helped at the tournament.

Thanks to the San Francisco businesses that contributed to this tournament.

Next year's tournament will hopefully be late in May again. Anyone interested in participating will have to get their entry forms in early when the announcements go out. This year's tournament was sold out three weeks early.

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Volunteers made this tournament work...despite the rain. Pictured approximately left to right: Dave Ambrose, Bob Fife, Brian Canedo, Gary Lemos, Dave Herman, Holly Pera, John Goldberg, Mickey Griffin, Marty Sacco, Jerry Senkir, Joe Kennedy, Jan McKay, Carl Tennenbaum, and Gale Wright.

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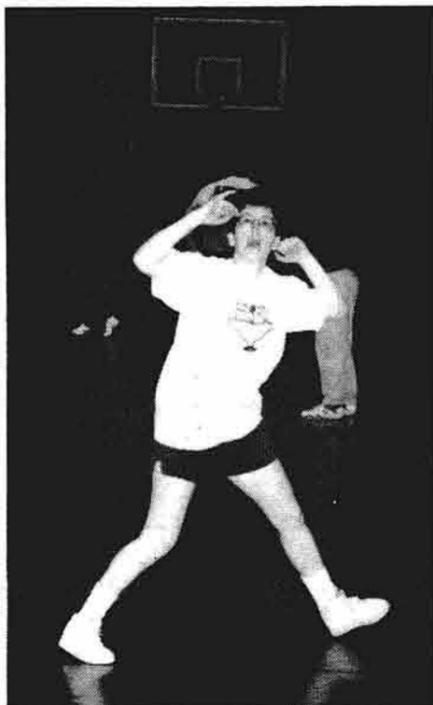
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by Brenda Walker

On March 31, 1993 the All-Star H.S. Women's Basketball team played the All-Women's SFPD Basketball Team at Kezar Stadium. The SFPD team consisted of Miriam Pengel, No. 32, Mindy Pengel, No. 8, Molly Pengel, No. 24, Susan Roth, No. 3, Kimmy Reynolds, No. 22, Jill Brophy, No. 13, Pam Hofsass, No. 15, Denise Flaherty, NO.23, and last but not least, Rosie Maguina, No. 14.

It was a dark and stormy night. (No kidding it really was!) I parked my car in the rear parking lot. I waited for the cats and dogs to stop coming down. It looked as if I had a break, so I went for the closest door. I noticed several other individuals also racing for the entry way. The gymnasium was ready for play. After I dried myself and positioned myself in the stands, I noticed that the weather had affected the attendance. Not to worry, I knew I was going to see a great battle...and that it was! The whistle blew, the ball was tossed and the red team took control. The white team (SFPD) appeared strong and ready for the challenge. Now follow closely because this happens quickly and some of the names are hard to follow.

The ball was in the Red's possession when it was intercepted by Brophy. The ball went from Brophy to Pengel, from Pengel to Reynolds, From Reynolds to Pengel to Pengel to Brophy to Pengel. OH GOD! The announcer is confused! No, The announcer wasn't confused until this happened: the ball was put into the air by Brophy attempting a basket from the top the key. The ball missed and Reynolds rebounded. The ball went from Reynolds to Pengel, from Pengel to Pengel from Pengel to Pengel to Brophy to Pengel. The ball was put into motion one more time towards the hoop. Pengel rebounded



Officer Rosie Maguina, #14. She has come up with a new form.

and here goes the announcer again. Pengel to Pengel to Pengel to Brophy to Pengel to Pengel and the ball goes into flight for the third attempt, swoosh! Yes! Yes! Yes! the crowd is going wild. The fans can hardly contain themselves.

Well, I think you get the idea and if you were there to witness the game, you know exactly what I am talking about. If you missed the game this time, don't miss it next year. The women played hard and fast to a total ending score of Red's 67 points. vs. SFPD's 39 points. Now keep in mind the score at half time was 15 to 16. Everyone had a great time and by the end of the game the rain had stopped.

P.S. I heard the SFPD team will challenge the H.S. women to softball next time. Keep Smiling!



Back Row: Rosie Maguina, Jill Brophy, Mindy Pengel, Molly Pengel, Sue Roth and Pam Hofsass. Front Row: Miriam Pengel, Denise Flaherty, Kim Reynolds.



Officer Miriam Pengel, Worshipping the Hoop, was high scorer with 16 points.



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"A" Division Softball

Masters Clinch First Place

by Nicholas "Nick at Night" Shihadeh

The Masters won their tenth game in a row beating Ingleside Station 16-5, and by doing so clinched first place in the "A" Division standings. They consider this a formality though, as the real challenge for the "old boys" is getting to the final and three-peating as champions of the league. If the way that they manhandled the other teams during the regular season is any indication at all, The Masters should have no problem at all in post season play.

Other recent games include a double-header sweep of the Paramedics team, a forfeit victory over CHP, and a 22-5 thrashing over the Northern Bulldogs while playing with only eight players. What has really started coming around for The Masters is their defense that is now complementing the torrid hitting attack that they've had all along.

John Payne has settled in as the starting pitcher while Jeff Barker is back being the regular shortstop — both have been playing their respective positions very well. At the second base position, Ben "Hansi" Vigil and Bob "Sled" Del Torre have been platooning back and forth and both are handling the job nicely.

Standouts in the outfield include Mike Keys and Phil Dito; these guys have the great speed and range that it takes to track down many a deep drive in "A" Division play. Exceptional hitters for The Masters include Harry Pearson and Ross Laffin who have been confounding the opposition with hard hit balls to all fields.

Of the three playoff spots remaining, Mission Station and Narcotics have clinched two of them while Ingleside and the Paramedics are battling for the last one. The "Mish" team run by Mike "Bugsy" Moran is in second place at 7-wins, 3-losses and features a hitting attack that just

doesn't quit — the trio of Wong, Engler, and Mathews hit the ball high and deep, and are often compared to another famous threesome of Clark, Williams, and Bonds.

Other players known to do damage at the plate are Ed "Powerhouse" Yu (when he shows up) and Rafael "Raffy Baby" Labutan (a consistent line drive hitter). Mission has a solid defense as well which has helped in their recent three game winning streak; if this kind've play continues, there's no telling how far they'll go in the playoffs.

The Narcotics team run by Greg "Blockhead" Suhr has been inconsistent over the season, but they've been up more than they've been down sporting a 7-win, 4-loss record. After a three game winning streak of their own, they lost a contest to Mission that wasn't even close 18-7.

Joey McKenna has tried to keep things going with his long power drives, and then there's the big stick of Mat Hanley. Batting from the left side of the plate, Hanley recently hit a blast so far that the ball eventually landed at the base of the fence at Silver Terrace Field. One of the weaker aspects of the "Narc" game is their baserunning - they're constantly getting thrown out on the base paths and it appears to the rest of the league that they're learning this from the "Willie McGee School of Baserunning."

Ingleside Station at 5-wins, 5-losses have won three out of their last four games to keep their playoff hopes alive, and the key to their recent success appears to be some wily veteran's in the line-up. Using their vast department softball experience to help the club are pitcher Manny Careris (who has been a solid mainstay on the mound for twentyfive years), left fielder Jerry Sarin (who has returned to the ranks after a fifteen year layoff and has been

"shedding blood" literally all over the field), and Tony Carreon (who not only is a steady hitter, has played great defense in the left center position).

Bob Navarro's Paramedic team has been on a recent slide in which they've lost four in-a-row to put their record at 6-wins, 6-losses. At mid season they were in second place and were looking very solid for a playoff spot; but, an inexplicable downfall has taken place and the "Medics" are at a risk of not making it. If Ingleside wins their last two games of the season, the Paramedics will be out and Ingleside will be in for the fourth playoff position. This is definitely a crunch time as the regular season comes to an end.

One team that won't be seeing any kind've crunch time this season is the Bulldogs squad who will finish the year with a dismal 4-win, 8-loss record. They just couldn't hack it in "the show" like they thought they would, and will be probably going back to the "B" Division where they belong.

Shortstop Steve "Hoover" Roche said, "What can I say? They don't expect the Rockies or the Marlins to win their division their first time out either." Yeah, whatever, Steve.

Highlights of the Bulldog season include a big comeback of Brian "Moose" Canedo, who set the pace for a torrid two game winning streak during midseason. Also, there was the time when Jimmy "Mr.Lunch" Miranda was fined a case of

beer for missing a game when his wife Betsy gave birth to their baby boy James Joseph Miranda. In fact, the one category that Miranda leads the team in happens to be fines.

Outfielder Steve Caniglia also leads the "Dogs" in one category, and that is in attendance to the games. Another bright spot on this team that doesn't have very many is Dan "The Mole" Mahoney who was very successful this year with his patented line drive down the left field line during most of his at-bats.

One last harrarh that is possible for the Bulldogs is if they could come away with a victory in their annual rivalry game with the NM's (Northern Mids) team. This popular affair will take place on June 17th and shouldn't be missed by anybody.

As far as the Redwood City CHP team is concerned, they have folded and are officially out of the league. All games that have been scheduled with this team are considered forfeits.

SOFTBALL TWIB NOTES: The playoff round for the "A" Division will take place on Thurs. 6/10 with first place vs fourth place, and second place vs third place. (Championship game on Tues, 6/15) The teams and the fields of play will be announced. A softball banquet to honor Layne Amiot as he steps down from the commissioner's position is in the works for sometime in July. All players and friends of the original "Boss Hog" will not want to miss it.

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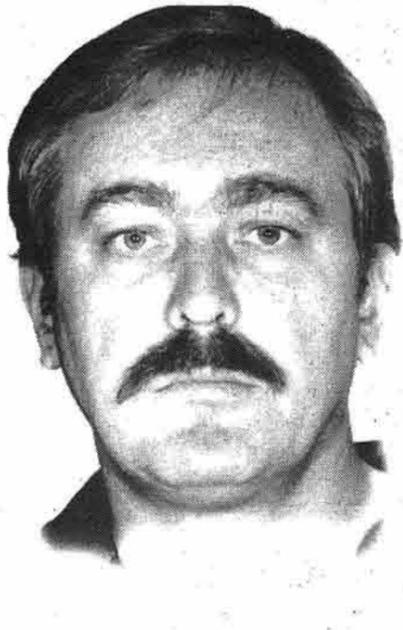
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The 1993 Mike O'Brien Memorial Pistol Match

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Mike O'Brien

The 7th Annual Mike O'Brien match started with a downpour of rain and ended with new stars basking in the sunshine. Heading the list of new stars was Charlie Coates, the overall match winner, shooting a fine 474-28x, to edge out Grandmasters Jay Christman and Mike Zurcher. Vicky Hennessy of the Sheriff's Department shot a 449-1 9x to edge out Chief Fred Lau to win the Hotshots, and they both move up to Deadeyes next year. Two members of the strong team, Taraval Women, placed 1st-2nd in the Gunner Class, E. Economus 423-8x and P. Cunningham 403-3x, which bumps them up to Hotshots for next year. Mike would have been proud to know that the winner of the Plinkers Class was his son Matt O'Brien, whose 398-1 1 x moves him to the top of the Gunners Class. At the top of the Tenderfoots was a ringer brought in for the FBI Team, Special Asians, John Young who shot a 455-1 8x followed closely by Nelson Lum and Larry Ryan at 449-11x.

A total of 113 shooters braved the rains to prove that combat shooting is exactly that, combat under any conditions. These brave souls also showed tremendous intelligence by coming in out of the rain to enjoy a wonderful lunch of roasted chicken, rigatoni and salad, hosted by Sue, John and Matt O'Brien and the POA, great eats, great hosts!

Central Station's team of Spagnoli-Downs-Greenwood-McNeil are the 1993 Team Champs with a high score of 1786-71x. The winners of the Hotshots class is the Sheriffs #1 team with Hennessey-Hennessey-Knox-Dempsey with a fine score of 1781-45x which just edged out the Range team of Coates-Barber-Blaine-O'Brien at 1 777-69x. There were no Gunners or Plinkers teams. Not enough

shooters coming back from those classes. Maybe they don't realize that their odds of winning nice prizes is pretty good, just by showing up! The winners of the Tenderfoots teams is the notable Sheriffs #38 with Drilon-Olson-Chew-Flynn shooting a nice 1 664-38x to beat out the FBI-Special Asians of Young-Fujita-Loo-Louie with a 1 638-44x.

The Chiefs Challenge team has not yet been drawn at press time, but for the second time it looks like they have the

odds in their favor for a free lunch. The Chiefs Team of Ryan-Lau-Reed-Petrini posted a 1 630-35x which gives them a higher score than 10 teams and a lower score than 7 teams. It's all in the draw!

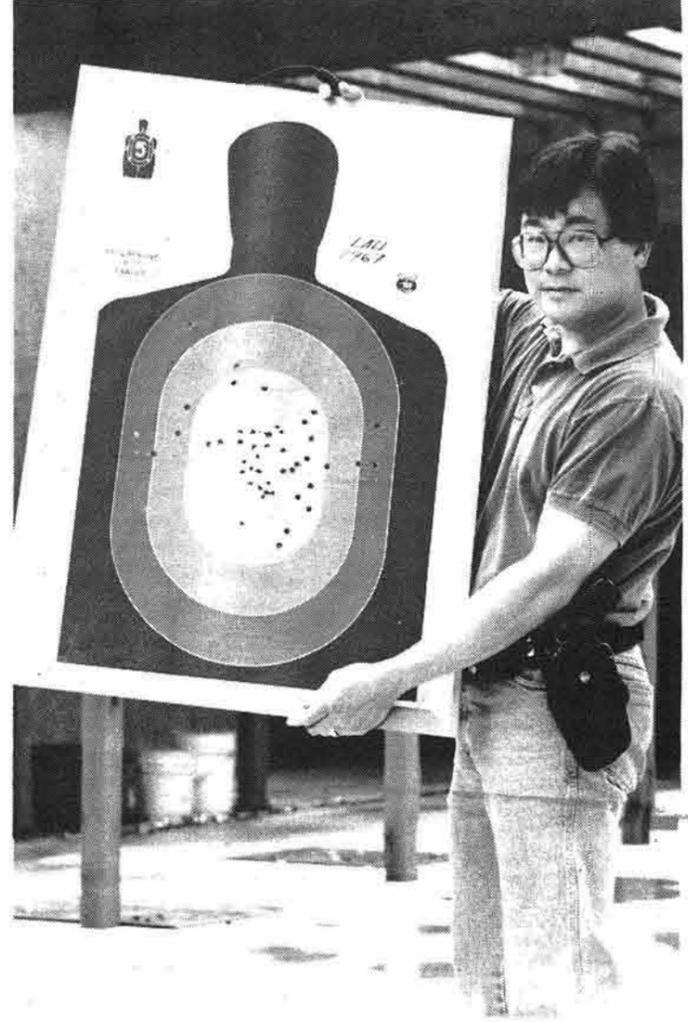
This years Distinguished Revolver Match had 44 shooters which means that we have 7 new Distinguished Shooters who will wear their Distinguished Buckles with pride; Distinguished Revolver #6: J. Christman, #7: D. Quigley, #8: A. Spagnoli, #9: J. Young, #10: B.

Normandy, #11: J. Ongpin and #12: R. Barber. Good shooting and Congratulations!!

The Pistol Team wishes to thank all the participants, the Range, the Chiefs, the POA and especially the O'Brien family for a great event which exemplifies the wonderful camaraderie of our Department. Let's all look forward to another great match in 1994, THE 8TH ANNUAL MIKE O'BRIEN MEMORIAL PISTOL MATCH!!!!!!



Danny May, Solos, takes aim during the recent Mike O'Brien Memorial Pistol Match.



D.C. Lau shows his target. OK, Chief, where's your .38 caliber pencil?



Nelson Lum, CPC, zeroes in from 25 yards.



John Califranchi, Co. C, concentrates on his trigger squeeze.

THE 1993 MATCH RESULTS

MATCH WINNER
CHARLIE COATES — RANGE 474-28

TOP HOTSHOT
VICKY HENNESSY — S.O. 449-19

TOP GUNNER
E. ECONOMUS — TARAVAL 423-8

TOP PLINKER
MATT O'BRIEN — RANGE 398-11

TOP OPEN
J. YOUNG — FBI 455-18

TEAM MATCH WINNER
CENTRAL STATION 1786-71

TOP HOTSHOT TEAM
SHERIFFS #1 1781-45

TOP OPEN TEAM
SHERRIFFS #38 1664-38

SFPD DISTINGUISHED MATCH
DISTINGUISHED #6J. CHRISTIHAN 478-32
DISTINGUISHED #7D. QUIGLEY 472--7
DISTINGUISHED #8 A. SPAGNOLI 469-16
DISTINGUISHED #9J. YOUNG 467-19
DISTINGUISHED #10B. NORMANDY 465-23
DISTINGUISHED #11J. ONGPIN 46S-23
DISTINGUISHED #12R BARBER 463-19

Complete results will appear in the July Notebook



On Two Wheels

by Rene LaPrevotte

I was saddened to learn of the passing of one of the "good guys" who wore an SFPD uniform. Alan Larkin lost his fight with brain tumors recently, and was one of those rare people about whom you never heard a disparaging word. "Uncle Al" was one of the original founders of the Honda Unit with his co-sergeant, Don Goad, back in April of 1970. In those days we rode 90cc Honda trail bikes, and the standing joke was that Charlie Tedrow on a 90cc bike looked like an ant carrying a biscuit away from a picnic. As you all know, we have graduated to 650cc dirt bikes now, and have a P1 list ten pages long. Al retired as a lieutenant and in his retirement gave tirelessly of himself as a volunteer at Saint Anthony's serving the folks he felt weren't as blessed as he... God speed, Al.

Most of us were deeply touched by Sgt.

Rick Schiff's letter to the membership several months ago. As you remember, Rick's little daughter is in a struggle for life right now and our prayers are with her. Sometimes, though, prayers need to be supplemented with infusions of cash, especially when we're talking about children's cancers.

The American Honda Motorcycle Corporation is sponsoring the 3rd annual RIDE FOR KIDS which will be held Sunday October 24, 1993. The ride starts at the Vallejo fairgrounds (across from Marine World USA) with sign-ups at 0700 and the ride leaving at 0900 for the Wine Country. Participation is open to anyone with a motorcycle license and who has raised a minimum of \$35.00 in donations. 100% of the proceeds will be donated to pediatric brain tumor research. All expenses will be paid in advance by American Honda. Each donation of \$300 puts the participant's name in for a drawing for a new Honda motorcycle. I am unashamedly soliciting your donations for

this event. If everyone in the department donates but \$2.00 we will have nearly four thousand dollars to donate to finding a cure for this childhood killer, which is the deadliest of all childhood cancers. I will maintain a record of who makes a tax-deductible donation. If my name is drawn for the new Honda, I will hold a drawing from the people who gave me a donation, and give the motorcycle to one of you donors. No one loses, the kids may be spared through the medical research we fund, I'll be a hot-shot for making such a generous donation and one of you wins a new Honda!

Make your tax deductible checks payable to: RIDE FOR KIDS FOUNDATION and forward them to me via company mail to;

Sgt Rene LaPrevotte
Crime Prevention Co.
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850 Bryant St.
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And if anyone wants to attend, give me a call at the Honda office at 553-1295.

OLD BUSINESS: The September ride to Steamboat Springs, Colorado is taking shape with six riders signed-up. We have two spots left and if you are interested contact me or Dave Herman at Co.E

NEW BUSINESS: The management

at Bavarian Cycle Works at 8th and Harrison is offering a 10% discount on all parts and accessories for members of the SFPD. B.C.W. sells BMW's and has lots of neat clothing and goodies whether you ride a "Beemer" or not. Ask for Kenny Hendron and show him your es-ef-pee-dee identification for your discount.

WANTED: George "MOOSE" Koniaris of Park Station is looking for a "cruiser" style bike in the \$2500 dollar range. If you have something that might fill the bill, give Moose a call at X-1061.

WANTED: Randy Mirkovich of Park is looking for a small beginner bike in the \$200 range for his son. If you have an old fifty or eighty cc bike collecting dust, call Randy at F-troop.

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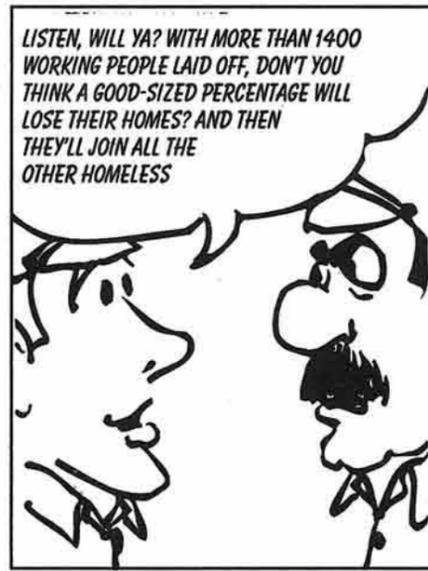
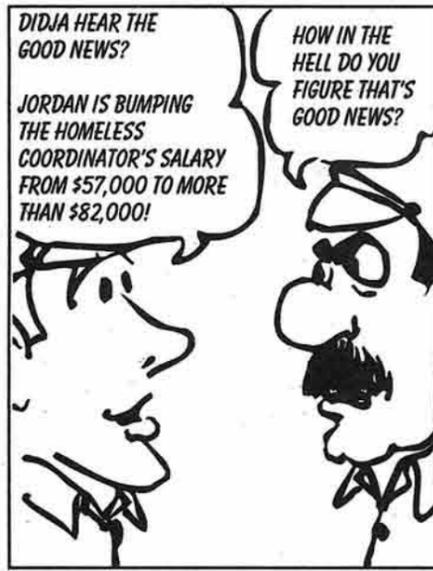
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ON THE STREET/Tom Flippin



Funny . . . But True

by Tom Flippin, Editor



SHORT AND SILLY: Police in Florida (Florida, again?!) are said to be checking the possibility that a gang of transvestites is involved in the theft of \$5,000 worth of artificial breasts and prosthetic bathing suits from a specialty store for cancer patients.

And you thought it was tough in the Mission. A policeman walking a beat in northeastern Russia was attacked and killed recently...by a marauding Siberian tiger.

Another tale of hard times from Russia: shoppers on a bus trip to Poland decided to continue their trip after one of the group died...and, when local officials refused to take custody of the body, they put the corpse in the back seat of the bus and continued the tour for several days before returning to Russia.

Motorists and cops in Manila were chasing cultists who swarmed through the city deflating the tires of vehicles. The cult leader told police, "Air is from God. This is the solution to the crisis in our country."

A suspected burglar fleeing the scene was brought down by a rough-and-tumble group in Golden Gate Park. The crook made the mistake of breaking up a championship croquet game when he ran through their playing green as he fled. Police took custody of the man from several white-clad players who were sitting on him when officers arrived.

When some \$300,000 fell out of an armored car onto a New York City freeway, traffic came to a sudden standstill. Officials from the armored car company expressed hope that they would recover more of the money than the \$3,500 which has been turned in so far.

Iowa police are looking for a woman who apparently spent her entire paycheck on lottery tickets...seems she came back to the store, found that she hadn't won the lottery and immediately pulled out a gun and robbed the place.

Law enforcement officials in Vienna, Austria broke into an apartment to force the tenant to pay back rent he owed. They found that the tenant wasn't paying rent because he was dead...and apparently

had been for four years. A Massachusetts man walked away from a bad car accident with minor injuries...and a major mystery. According to neurologists, the man has Foreign Accent Syndrome (an actual, documented medical problem-there have been about two dozen cases this century). In this case the man, who insists he has no French relatives or friends and has never been further from home than New Jersey, speaks with such a heavy French accent that he has difficulty making himself understood.

L.A.'s police chief was being interviewed shortly before the "Rodney King" jury decision. He told the reporter that his strategy for preventing a repeat of last year's riots included putting a lot of police on the streets. The unclear-on-the-concept newspaper then asked if that wouldn't be seen as a provocative act. **No, Einstein, it ain't. We put cops on the street to prevent trouble, not to cause it!**

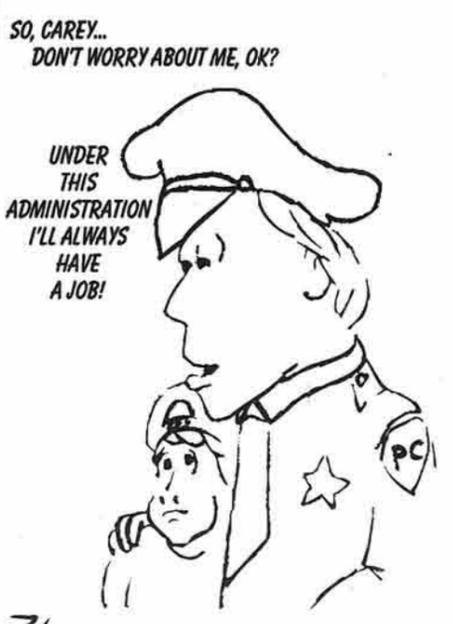
LEGAL EAGLES: Practicing law is a very dangerous profession. At least, it seems to be pretty dangerous back in Kansas. It seems that Kansas politicians are mulling over changes in workers' compensation, and a few irregularities have come to light.

Lawyer Michael Harris, one of those leading the fight to cut back on workers' compensation awards, filed a claim after he reached into his car for a briefcase and injured his back. He was awarded \$35,000 after the confrontation with his satchel (no doubt, it was full of documentation of phony injury claims). Another lawyer, Fletcher Bell, received \$95,000 after picking up his briefcase from his car trunk, even though the back injury he filed on did not cause him to miss even one day's work. It turns out that Mr. Bell was Kansas' Insurance Commissioner, the supervisor of all the companies that offer workers' comp insurance.

One man wrote in to a Wichita paper after the disclosures. He received only a \$6,000 award from his wife's estate after she was murdered. He says if she had just sprained her back, she'd still be alive and a lot richer.

JOHN DILLINGER, JUNIOR: A Petaluma bank recently had a ghostly visit from John Dillinger. A 14-year-old boy who told police that he was fascinated by Dillinger and his bank robberies walked into the First Interstate Bank carrying a sawed-off shotgun and walked away with "a significant amount" of cash. Police said the coolness and bravado of the youth was very reminiscent of Dillinger. Also like Dillinger, he was caught nearly immediately after his first foray into crime. Petaluma cops, with the assistance of three citizens, caught him 19 minutes after the robbery.

I SPY A CLUE, DR. WATSON: Aaron Harris hadn't yet been caught at last report, but it's only a matter of time. El Cerrito police are keeping their eyes peeled



for him after he escaped from the scene of an attempted robbery.

Although police at first thought they had nothing to go on except for a couple of guns that the would-be robber dropped as he fled, they eventually found what could definitely be called a clue: a glass eye with the name "A. Harris" engraved on the back.

Detective Shawn Maples was able to use the distinctive lettering to track down the maker of the eyeball, who identified the man he made it for. Harris lost his real eye in a shoot-out over a "crack" deal.

I'LL BE BACK! A South African man is trying to get back together with his girl

friend after they were involved in a traffic accident. It isn't that she blames him for the accident...she thinks he's come back from the dead to haunt her.

Sipho Mdletshe was declared dead after the accident and taken to a local mortuary where he was locked into a metal cabinet. 48 hours later, his screams for help were heard by frightened mortuary workers who finally let him out.

His injuries were apparently not too serious, and he has been released from the hospital. However, he still hasn't been able to convince his girlfriend to see him. Mdletshe's fiancée is afraid to talk to him and has told her nurses not to allow what she believes is a "zombie" into her room.