BOB BARRY
ELECTED POA PRESIDENT

by Gale W. Wright

In an exciting three way race, Bob Barry triumphed over incumbent President Jerry Crowley and Treasurer Jack Ballentine for President of the San Francisco Police Officers' Association. The term of office for all executive officers is two (2) years.

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The topical question is, "What will happen to Jerry Crowley now?" Too many times in the past, defeated officers have melted into the crowd, usually never to be heard from again. However, Jerry Crowley is no less dedicated to the police cause and he will remain active in the state organization of COPS (California Organization of Police & Sheriffs). He will seek re-election as President of COPS and has the full support of Bob Barry and the rest of the officers and Board members.

Jack Ballentine has become our house expert in the Federal Litigation case (almost six years ago it started) and the Consent Decree. Jack will stay active in all of the monitoring aspects to make sure every effort is made to comply with the terms of the Consent Decree.

The first Board meeting will see the new officers and directors sworn into office. President-elect Bob Barry will make committee appointments and announce his goals and policies for obtaining better working conditions and benefits for all police officers.

SICK LEAVE PAY-OFF

by Mike Hebel

On January 19, 1979 the City Attorney's Office issued a Letter of Opinion 79-6 in response to a request for clarification of Proposition F passed by the electorate on November 7, 1978. The Civil Service Commission had requested this opinion so that they could formulate rules concerning the Sick Leave Pay Off.

Vested Right

The City Attorney noted that this Charter Amendment became effective on December 5, 1978 the date of certification by the Secretary of State.

The City Attorney stated that the amount of sick leave accumulated prior to December 5, 1978 is a vested right; that is, an employee has an invested right to a monetary pay off at retirement (service or disability retirement) or death if it remains unused.

The Opinion further stated that the Vested Sick Leave Credits (that accumulated prior to December 5, 1978) cannot be replenished for the purpose of receiving a Sick Leave Pay Off. They can, however, be replenished with Sick Leave Credits which do not have the right of repayment.

Last In — First Out Rule

The Opinion, applying equitable principles, states that "The last Sick Leave Credits earned by an employee should be the first used when an employee elects to use such sick leave." This means that when an employee uses his sick leave, it will be first deducted from the Non-Pay Off Credits (earned on and after December 5, 1978) and if there are no such credits, then only will it be deducted from the Pay Off Credits (earned before December 5, 1978).

Example

The Opinion gives the following example which will be quoted in its entirety. "If an employee had 100 days of accumulated sick leave on the date of the Amendment and continues in City employment to acquire 20

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Next Lieutenants Exam

Dear Jerry:

I am in receipt of the letter of January 5, 1979, addressed to you from Mike Hebel concerning the effect of the proposed consent decree on members of the Association holding the permanent rank of Q-50, Sergeant.

The concern expressed by Mike on behalf of members holding permanent Civil Service Q-50 positions is legitimate. It would be of great detriment to the Department should there not be a Civil Service examination for the rank of Q-60, Lieutenant, until 1983.

The affect on those police officers presently eligible to compete in the Q-60 examination is obvious, but the Department would also materially suffer without Civil Service administering a Q-60, Lieutenant promotional examination at least by the summer of 1981.

As you know, the Police Officers' Association, with

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MIDWIVES & ORPHANS

The January meeting was called to order Wednesday, January 17, 1979, 2:00 p.m. in the Traffic Bureau Assembly Room. Hall of Justice, by President Andrew Quaglia. Treasurer Barney Becker reported the following deaths:

JAMES HOREWEG - Born in 1916, Jim entered the Department in 1934 at age 18. After his probationary training, he was transferred to Ingleside Station where he served until 1952 when he resigned to enter private business. He was 63 at the time of his death.

ALEXANDER MC DONALD - Born in 1896, Alex entered the Department in 1927 at age 31. Assigned to Headquarters Company, he served there for 3 years, then spent time in most of the district stations. He was assigned to Ingleside Station in 1945 and remained there until his retirement on service in 1966. He was 82 at the time of his death.

OTTO MEYER - Born in 1895, he entered the Department in 1924 at age 26. He served in various district stations, being promoted to Corporal in 1931. Sergeant in 1937. He was then assigned to the Bureau of Inspectors in 1937, becoming a full Inspector in 1946. Where he was in the Pawelko Unit until his promotion to Lieutenant in 1944. Promoted to Captain in 1949, he was assigned to the Traffic Bureau where he became Director of Traffic in 1956. He retired on disability in 1956. During his time in the Department, Otto received several meritorious awards and Capt. Commendations. He was age 83 at the time of his death.

WILLIAM REES - Born in 1887, Bill entered the Department in 1922 at the maximum age of 35. After serving in Headquarters Company for several years, he was transferred to the Traffic Bureau where he served until 1949 when he retired on disability. He was 91 at the time of his death.

The regular bills were presented to the membership by the Treasurer and approved after a motion by Barling. 2nd by Kurpinsky.

The following donations were received and acknowledged by the Secretary:

U.S. Park Police — in memory of Robert Hooper

Wand D. Burke — For efforts of Northern Station


Mrs. Ida Edwards — Usual Christmas card and donation

Mrs. James Murray — In memory of her husband, Lieutenant James Murray and her son, Lloyd Ermack

Colonel & Mrs. Davenport — In memory of Stephen

At this time the meeting was turned over to the Installation Committee, consisting of past presidents, John Dolan and Michael Barling. Bro. Dolan installed the first Polish President of this Association, Robert Kurpinsky. Bro. Barling had the pleasure of installing the first Polish President of this Association, Robert John Dolan and Michael Barling. Bro. Dolan installed by the Treasurer and approved after a motion by Barling.

The American Legion — San Francisco Post #456

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ATTENTION POST 456 CREDIT UNION MEMBERS

The annual meeting of the Police Post 456 Credit Union will be held on February 22, 1979, 7:30 p.m., Room 202, Veterans Building, Van Ness and Taylor Streets.

DID YOU KNOW THAT:

The American Legion Post 456 was organized on July 11, 1932 and the first Commander was Perry Kennedy.

I REMEMBER

I mourn my lost youth
And the joy I did then know.
Those pleasures simple yet
Sublime that seemed
To almost slow down
That common monolog called Time.
Fourth of July
And the eve before All Souls Day with Jack O’Lanterns held
Profound and in an
Ordinary fray
White sheet; that always
Seemed to get in the way of my Adventurous eager feet; with holes through which I could see
That phenomemon called
A child’s pale blue eyes.

The hardy gurdy man and
And the one before All Souls Day with Jack O’Lanterns held

As white as snow with
But a little pellet to
Make it like unto golden tulips glow.
The Circus tents — especially the

Clowns. Along with the Saturday
Vaudavile acts at the Golden Gate

Loony Tunes and Merry Melodies —
Sunday morning Latin mass
Attended by a midnight fast.

Circus tents — especially the

F.D.R. and his fireside chats

Oh, the list could go on and on.
More adventures in

The red-haired mounted policeman on the beat
With no hesitation or pause along the way
Guided as kinds ‘cross that big wide street
Oh, the list could go on and on.
But most of all was climbing that oak tree old

As the smogless white clouds
Drifted lazily by — yea. I remember well.

Thomas Warren Powers
Dear Brother Officers:

The San Francisco Police Officers' Association is now actively engaged in recruiting qualified persons for the position of Q-2 Police Officer. This offers you the opportunity to seek out persons who are interested in joining the department.

Everyone of you have friends or acquaintances that you know, or have met on the job, or in private life, who have approached you concerning applying for the job of a police officer. That's why we all must become involved. Only by having a large applicant pool can we be guaranteed that the most qualified and dedicated people become San Francisco police officers. In your travels, if you have an opportunity to meet people who may be interested in giving the job of a police officer a try, have them get in touch with the S.F.P.O.A. for further information and applications.

Remember, your future partners will be coming from these applications so take a little of your time and spread the word. Be involved in the department's future.

The San Francisco Police Officers' Association address is 510-7th Street. Phone 861-5060.

MANDATORY RETIREMENT STILL AGE 65
by Michael Hebel

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

by Gerald Schmidt

As the newly elected representative from Southeast Station, I feel it appropriate to say a few words of introduction to my as yet unacquainted views of the basic functions and important goals of the P.O.A.

My first impressions, in lieu of the tremendous amount which has transpired since my recent involvement, is that a classic transition is taking place. Easily categorized as a Guard becoming the New, as evidenced by the recent Presidential election, this is not to imply that the basic beliefs and principles of the past can or should be forgotten. For without them, we would not have the vibrant and powerful organization that exists today.

The beliefs are basic; the men that put those beliefs into action and built an organization around them were more than that. They represent an element of leadership that cannot be forgotten. The dedication and sacrifice of these men has resulted in the many benefits, minimal as they may seem, that we as a progressive body of people will most assuredly take for granted in the months and years to come.

It is the intent of the Board of Directors to allow the Police Department to rent space at the POA Building for their use every Saturday in the future, for a period of two years, commencing on or about March 10, 1979. If either the POA or the Traffic School wishes to cancel this arrangement, thirty (30) days notice is required by either party. Otherwise, extensions of this agreement shall be made by the Board of Directors on the anniversary date of such a contract.

2. A Building Maintenance Fund be created, and/or capital improvements to/for the POA Building.

4. It is the intent of the Board of Directors to spend not more than $2,000.00 for certain capital improvements in conjunction with, but prior to, the Traffic School's request to open a new area for study of tables and chairs, paneling the back wall, installing electrical outlets and installing deadbolt locks on second floor office access doors. These written bids for this work shall be submitted and the above Committee shall select the contractor. After this, the meeting was adjourned.

Joe E. Patterson
Secretary, S.F.P.O.A.
you personally in the forefront, has fought for an earlier Lieutenant’s examination but has been frustrated in the attempt to force the City Administra-
tion to go forward. The reality is that the City is not pre-
pared to administer an examination for Lieutenant prior to summer of 1981.

Following the Board of Directors meeting of January 2, 1979, wherein this matter was addressed at length, I contacted Gerald George, the attorney representing the Department of Justice in this lawsuit, and received an assurance on the part of plaintiff United States that the next Q-60 examination could be administered in August of 1981, and that in fact plaintiff United States denied the earliest possible time for such an examini-
tion to be administered.

On January 4, 1979, I contacted Civil Service Com-
misioner, Darrell Salomon, who assured me that the Civil Service Commission had no objection to a Q-60 Lieutenant’s promotional examination being ad-
ministered in August 1981. Mr. Salomon indicated that it would be highly unlikely that a Lieutenant’s examina-
tion could be administered prior to the summer, or late spring of 1981.

In subsequent conversations with Deputy City At-
torney Phll Ward and City Attorney George Agnost I discussed the procedure by which corrective language would be used to rectify the unfortunate conclusion that the earliest possible Q-60 examination would be in August of 1983. Although all parties apparently agree that the suggestion submitted by various permanent status sergeants would be helpful; not objectionable, and fully acceptable, the consent decree in its entirety has been submitted to the membership of the Police Of-
ciers’ Association as well as the appropriate legislative entities within the City government.

Additionally, the consent decree has been received in its entirety by Mayor Feinstein. Therefore, it would be inappropriate to reenter negotiations on the wording of the document itself. Had I not received verbal commit-
ments from the Department of Justice in Washington and Darrell Salomon on the Civil Service Commission, my advice at this point would be to disengage the Association from further action relative to the consent-
decree.

However, due to the fact that I have received such assurances and am assured that the appropriate pro-
cedures would be to detail the intention of the parties subsequent to party ratification, my advice to the Association is to finalize the membership electoral pro-
cess, await the return of approval or disapproval from the Board of Supervisors, and then at that point reduce to writing the understanding expressed by those whom I have contacted in this regard. In any case, I will take
the action deemed necessary by the Board of Directors.

Please contact me with any questions you may have in this regard. Additionally, I will make myself available to meet with Mike and/or all interested Association members holding permanent Civil Service rank of sergeant to further discuss our alternatives.

Very truly yours,
STEPHEN WARREN SALOMON, INC.
Ralph B. Saltzman

LEGAL NOTES

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DISABILITY RETIREMENTS
AND ACCUMULATED SICK LEAVE

Two recent cases illustrate when an employee, who is
a member of the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) presents a disability retirement claim, either voluntari-
ably, when the municipality for which he works will give him credit for his accumulated sick leave to fully compen-
sate him for unused sick leave, so that his employment status would reflect a permanent sick leave retirement; which gives him credit for his accumulated sick leave. The City refused to do so and argued that a member was not automatically en-
titled to all accumulated sick leave as a matter of law.

CONCLUSION

The Robertsons and the Patton cases seem to hold the following: a member is not automatically entitled to accumulated sick leave as a matter of law, unless the retired member, who is too sick to work (at the time he goes on disability retirement and having provided proof of illness according to the local laws and rules governing the use of sick leave) simply will not be allowed to use his accumulated sick leave toward a new period of retirement.

Examination of the particular Memorandum of Understanding in effect, which defines the uses of ac-
cumulated sick leave, is critical, however, as well as local personnel rules defining sick leave. Further, it should be noted that many Memorandums of Understanding allow for a cash payoff to the employee of all accumulated sick leave or a percentage of the employee’s accumulated sick leave on the employee’s books.

It should be noted, however, that both the Robertson and Patton cases are Court of Appeal cases and no deci-
sion on the same has yet been made by the California Supreme Court regarding how to construe the above sections together.

A GUEST EDITORIAL COMMENT

Subject: Joe Freitas

by Bob Gaszy
Central Station

San Francisco District Attorney Joe Freitas is in deep
water and the tide is rapidly rising. It looks as if his very
political existence is threatened. A mere two months
ago he was the acknowledged shoo-in to retain his job
as D.A. in the November ’79 election. He was generally
regarded as having a bright future in state or national
politics. The offices of governor, attorney general or even
a U.S. Senator were frequently mentioned in connection
with his name.

Freitas had created an image for himself which por-
trayed a competent, honest and forthright politician. The
image was painted of a moderate liberal democrate that
was "tough" enough to be our district attorney. A former
lawyer and Common Cause advocate, he ran a campaign in which he promised to aggressively prosecute "real" crime and back off "victimless"
crime. He was perfectly in tune with the middle of the
road of San Francisco politics. He parlayed his image
and aggressiveness into victory in the hotly contested 1979 D.A.’s race.

Freitas’ current troubles began to surface in the wake
of the Peoples’ Temple tragedy. As the press sorted out the extent of involvement of both the Temple and San Francisco politicians, one of the most suspicious con-
nections was that between Freitas and Tim Stoen (Jim Jones’ right hand man).

Stoen was appointed to the post of deputy D.A. by Freitas within only a few weeks after the Peoples’ Temple defeats at the same time Stoen was still Jones’ right hand man in P.T. Stoen’s job within the D.A.’s office was as head of the political-
ly explosive voter fraud investigation. In light of subse-
quently released information that Peoples’ Temple members were engaged in massive voter fraud, it appears that Stoen and the D.A.’s office were seriously compromised in their ability to investigate possible crimes by P.T. members. How much Joe Freitas knew about Stoen, Peoples’ Temple and possible voter fraud by P.T. members is not yet clear and desperately demands
clearing up.

In response to the outcries raised by newspaper
circulation as to Stoen’s obvious conflict of interest, Freitas belatedly commenced an investigation into
Stoen’s activities. He thereby abruptly stepped on the
toes of the State Attorney General who, only a week
before, had launched his own investigation into the
matter. Freitas has been warned by the Attorney General not to take any steps which might interfere
with the A.G.’s investigation. The suspicion is obvi-
ously strong that Freitas and his aides are so seriously
tainted that they are incapable of conducting a fair in-
vestigation.

The questions that occur to us and most directly in-
volves Joe Freitas and the people of San Francisco are:

Why did he appoint Stoen to the D.A.’s office?

Was he the best for the job?

Wasn’t the Stoen appointment actually a patronage
payoff to Peoples’ Temple connection?

How well qualified was Stoen for the job of deputy
D.A.?

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payoff to Peoples’ Temple connection?

All of these questions need answering and Joe Freitas is the only one to supply the answers to them. HOW
ABOUT IT JOE?

On another front it has recently come to light, courtesy of Warren Hinckle, that the Feels are in
the running for the San Francisco Police Department. Joe’s old client labor leader George Evankovich into his
campaign fund back in 1975. Joe has denied any cam-
paign reporting irregularities, but the investigation continues.

A self proclaimed “straight shooter”, Freitas should start doing so and answer the questions that have been
raised by the city’s taxpayers. Perhaps it’s time for Joe to face the facts and ask Joe’s voters whether or not he’s
willing to do what is right for the City and the State.

*Please, Say it ain’t so, Joe.*
The response by members of the San Francisco Police Officers’ Association to the offer of a complete review of member benefits has been tremendous.

In the latter part of 1978, we began to make available to all members of the SFPOA a service which we believe to be badly needed — a complete review of fringe benefits available to the member and his family. Just what are you entitled to from the city, state and federal governments? In addition, there are certain benefits you may wish to know more about which come directly from the SFPOA.

We hear a great deal these days — and we experience the results — about inflation. It’s not just a word the news media likes to use — it’s not just an event which all politicians seem to oppose — it is a state of fact which eats away at every dollar you earn before you earn it and before you spend it.

Many people are aware of what inflation is doing to their spendable income. Unfortunately, these same people lack proper concern about this economic fact because they are still working and earning a full paycheck. But what happens when you reach retirement and you do not seem to find paycheck? What if you were told today that your present income was going to be cut by 50% or even 25% tomorrow — how would you financially survive?

Well, get prepared because that is exactly what is ahead your very way at retirement!

It is primarily because of this fact that you should be better informed about your benefits. We have prepared a comprehensive, but brief, booklet for you. This benefit review booklet is yours because of your membership in the SFPOA.

We will be pleased to present it to you — try to answer your questions — and assist you if we can. It’s your future so why not plan ahead as it will be here before you know it.

Frank Howard
Financial Services Company
1750 Montgomery St.
San Francisco, 94111
Call (415) 956-1030 for an appointment

IT GETS WORSE DAILY

I hope you will overlook the fact that this article is written from a purely personal point of view. Frankly, there is no other way for me to express the way I feel than to relate it to experiences taken from the past.

A few days ago, I returned a telephone call to a member of the SFPOA. The basis of the call was to answer a few questions regarding one of the savings programs we market. After all the questions about the plan were answered, I was asked about investments in gold, stocks and other items.

First, let me say that I am not qualified to serve as an investment counselor. Neither is anyone on our staff. While I have an interest in our economy and in those things and events which make the financial world exciting, it does require a tremendous amount of expertise, a great deal of education and ready access to accurate information in order to turn dollars into more dollars when investing in such things as gold, stocks and bonds and commodities.

The late Will Rogers said it best when he stated that he was not only interested in the return ON his money but was also interested in the return OF his money. When I have allowed my personal greed to ignore that attitude I have lost my bank and home.

I am not interested, and neither is anyone on our staff, in having to look you in the face some ten or twenty years from now and say “Oops!” We are interested, however, in sharing some well proven ideas and programs with you. If, after you take a look and don’t like us or our ideas or both, then go somewhere else for help but at least take the time to find out where you are — where you want to be — and how to get there.
The California Department of Consumer Affairs and the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank of the San Francisco Medical Society on January 4, 1979, jointly announced the settlement of litigation filed against the blood bank by the Department in June of 1977. The Department's action includes dismissal of all allegations made against the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank, Bernice M. Hemphill, Irwin's Executive Director, and American Association of Blood Banks.

Principal points of the agreement include:

- As to Irwin:
  - The blood bank will continue to ensure that one-third of its Board of Directors is made up of "public members."
  - The blood bank's current fee schedules and its audited annual financial statement will continue to be available to the public.
  - The Department accepts a formula approved by Irwin's accountants for the calculation of liabilities to blood donors.

- As to the Department:
  - The Department will urge other blood banks in California to emulate Irwin's example with regard to these matters of public members, disclosure of financial information, and accounting procedures.
  - The Department has concluded that there has been no unlawful utilization of Irwin's nonreplacement fee.
  - It is the Department's judgment that the prices charged and cash reserves maintained by Irwin are reasonable.

Richard B. Spohn, Director of the California Department of Consumer Affairs, and Irwin Memorial Blood Bank continue to urge the public to donate at Irwin or any other non-profit blood bank or center.

IRWIN MEMORIAL BLOOD BANK
Contact: Jan Nelson, (425) 567-6400
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
Contact: Jeffrey Fine, (916) 445-5126

Nic Galousin, S.F.P.D. retired, was honored by Irwin Memorial Blood Bank and its President, John Henderson, M.D. (right) for having contributed more than 100 pints of blood to Irwin. Nic received an engraved silver brandy snifter, the Blood Bank's highest award, at a ceremony in January.

Nic ran the P.O.A blood bank account at Irwin for more than 23 years and personally recruited thousands of volunteer donors, along with co-chairman Carl Vogelsang. Carl has already achieved the distinguished 100 pint award.

Edward P. Lawson, retired from the S.F.P.D. Mounted Patrol, receives the congratulations of Dr. John Henderson, President of Irwin Memorial Blood Bank, for achieving the Ten Gallon Donor Award. The award, an engraved plaque from the American Association of Blood Banks, recognizes his 80 pints of blood for the ill and injured. The presentation was made at the Blood Bank in January.

Lawson started donating at Irwin when the facility was located on Washington Street, and he used to ride his horse to the Blood Bank. "The receptionist would always ask if she could feed my horse cookies. My horse loved to come to the Blood Bank."

ASSOCIATION

For your 1978 income tax deductions, you paid $216.95 in Association dues.

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POLICE OFFICERS GREGORY CORRALES AND MICHAEL C. NORMAN

For services rendered on Monday, May 3, 1978, when the suspect, armed with a search warrant of a residence, of which information had been received, was being sought by Los Angeles authorities on a $200,000 warrant for a variety of sexually related offenses.

POLICE OFFICERS ANTHONY E. RODRIGUEZ AND EDMUND M. RODRIGUEZ

For services rendered on Tuesday, May 2, 1978, at approximately 1630 hours, they were dispatched to 1365 Greenview and advised by construction workers that the suspect who lived there had fired a shot at them. When the officers arrived the suspect placed the weapon (a handgun) on the front porch step and re-entered his home. As the officers, with service revolvers drawn, approached the suspect's residence, the suspect appeared in the doorway with a rifle in his hand and stated to the officers, "Get out of here." Feeling that the suspect's intent was to use the gun and in order to prevent the possibility of a disaster, they cautiously removed the suspect, handcuffed him for the weapon, subdued him, and took him into custody.

POLICE OFFICERS DANIEL J. HALLISY AND ROBERT F. MARTINEZ

For services rendered on Tuesday, March 28, 1978, at approximately 1530 hours, while on routine patrol in the 400 block of Waller Street, they heard the sounds of a woman screaming and observed her fighting with a man, the suspect, in the area of 439 Waller Street. The officers immediately advised from their patrol vehicle and separated the combatant parties. After converting with the female victim and the male suspect considerably. The female victim asked if she could return home and the officers permitted her to do so. The officers continued to talk to the male suspect who was still somewhat upset. Suddenly, the female suspect returned with a .25 automatic pistol at the officers and the male subject and stated, "I am going to kill him." The officers shielding the male subject with their bodies drew their service revolvers and ordered the female subject to drop her weapon. The female subject, after being assured by the officers, finally complied and relinquished her weapon. She was then handcuffed and taken into custody.

ASSISTANT INSPECTOR STEPHEN J. GUDIEL

For services rendered on Tuesday, August 9, 1977, when he apprehended a narcotics suspect who, when asked to show his identification to the Lieutenant in charge of the Detail, pulled a knife. The Inspector, reacting immediately, overpowered the suspect and arrested him.

POLICE OFFICERS DENNIS P. BIANCHI AND TERRENCE J. KEATING

For services rendered on Saturday, February 25, 1978, at 1330 hours, when they responded to a call of a woman with a knife at 16th and Valencia Streets. The suspect, armed with a linoleum knife, was yelling and screaming at people passing by. When the officers approached her she lashed out at them with the weapon. The officers using the least possible force to subdue her, disarmed her and took her into custody.
POLICE OFFICERS ALAN F. MC PHERTERS AND DONALD R. WEST

For services rendered on Tuesday, June 20, 1978, when they apprehended a suspect who was in possession of a stolen Florida driver's license and a stolen credit card. The officers immediately responded, administered an breath test, and arrested the suspect.

POLICE OFFICER RICHARD G. BODISCO

For services rendered on Tuesday, November 22, 1977, when he was involved in a major traffic accident while responding to a call. Despite the severe injuries he sustained, Officer Bodisco showed great courage and dedication in ensuring the safety of others.

POLICE OFFICER DARYL A. HAMPTON AND RICHARD A. WALLACE

For services rendered on Saturday, July 29, 1978, when they observed a suspicious vehicle near a bank. Officer Hampton and Wallace contacted the vehicle and made an arrest, preventing a potential robbery.

POLICE OFFICER WALTER J. F. STANSBURY AND ROGER D. KEENAN

For services rendered on Saturday, September 16, 1978, when they responded to a call involving a car accident. The officers quickly assessed the situation and ensured the safety of all involved.

POLICE OFFICER ALAN F. ENGLER AND ALBERT J. O'KEEFE

For services rendered on Saturday, February 19, 1978, when they stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation. Officer Engher and O'Keefe not only cited the driver but also discovered a stolen vehicle in the process.

POLICE OFFICER WILLIAM D. CASHMAN

For services rendered on Saturday, July 29, 1978, when he assisted a woman who had been involved in a car accident. Officer Cashman's quick actions helped prevent further injuries.

FOR SERVICES RENDERED ON SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 1978

WALTER J. F. STANSBURY AND ROGER D. KEENAN

For services rendered on Saturday, June 24, 1978, when they received a call regarding a suspicious package. The officers promptly responded, ensuring the safety of the community.

ASSISTANT PATROL SPECIAL OFFICERS ORVILLE RUSSELL AND ROOSEVELT SANDS

For services rendered on Saturday, September 7, 1978, when they observed a suspicious activity in a local park. The officers were able to prevent a potential incident from occurring.

POLICE OFFICER ALBERT J. O'KEEFE

For services rendered on Saturday, August 26, 1978, when he noticed a vehicle with a broken headlight. Officer O'Keefe stopped the driver, ensuring the safety of others on the road.

SEWER TAXES

MAY BE DEDUCTIBLE

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SEWER SERVICE CHARGES

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The meeting was then adjourned.

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Marks concluded.
Sick Leave Pay Off, Continued

additional days then the employee would have a total of 120
days accumulated sick leave of which 100 are vested with
the right of payment upon separation from service (Section 23.14.1 of
the Civil Service Rules). Where the employee uses 30 days of
the 120 day accumulated balance he then has a total of
90 accumulated days vested and the employee, after returning to
work, continues to earn new sick leave credits under the Amendment. If
such an employee later retires and vests his 10 days of sick leave
then with 120 accumulated days that such employee is entitled only to
payment for 90 vested days under the Sick Leave Rule as it existed
prior to the Amendment. Thus, the employee would be entitled to pay-
ment after the effective date of the Amendment for the 10 days
vested.

Larger Question

The City Attorney noted that its Office's prior Opin-
ion (78-56) held that the right of employees to receive
compensation for accumulated sick leave is vested. It held that an employee
used ten days of his accumulated vested sick leave
and such employee cannot replenish the used sick leave with
credits of a like character. The replenished sick leave credits are
vested rather than the right to accumulate be-
tween. The employee's years of service at the time of separation from
service in accordance with Section 8.363 of the Charter and the
to the use of accumulated sick leave as of the effective date of
the Amendment when an employee uses sick leave accumulated prior to said effective date. It is a general
right may divest himself of that right by his own act (See
City Attorney Opinion No. 78-56, June 15, 1978; San Francisco
City Attorney's Office vs. Palos Verdes Estates, 87 Cal. App. 3d 135 (Certain
vested right for cash payment. In such instance the
right for cash payment upon the employee's retire-
ment, death or separation caused by industrial in-
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to a vested right under the Sick Leave Rule as it existed prior
to the Amendment, but rather it is the employee's elec-
to the use of the sick leave that is vested. In the absence of a
Civil Service rule or other law requiring a contrary interpre-
tion, it is my opinion that the Civil Service Commission should
enact an Amendment to the Sick Leave Rule to first sick leave earned before it takes any such sick leave credits
vested rather than the right to accumulate be-
tween. Such sick leave credits are vested rather than the right to accumulate be-
tween. It is expected that in the near future the Civil Service
Commission will issue Amended Sick Leave Rules in confor-
mity with this Letter Opinion.

Questions Presented

1. Whether the amount of unused accumulated sick
leave on the effective date of the amendment to Section 8.363 of the
Charter is vested.

2. No. The employee's use of vested sick leave credits can
not be replenished for the purpose of receiving sick leave pay
upon retirement, death or separation caused by industrial in-
jury. (Emphasis added.)

3. Yes, the amount of sick leave accumulated prior to the
Charter was vested.

4. No. The employee's use of vested sick leave credits cannot
be replenished for the purpose of receiving sick leave pay
upon retirement, death or separation caused by industrial in-
jury. (Emphasis added.)

5. Yes, the amount of sick leave accumulated prior to the
Charter was vested.

6. No. The employee's use of vested sick leave credits cannot
be replenished for the purpose of receiving sick leave pay
upon retirement, death or separation caused by industrial in-
jury. (Emphasis added.)

ANALYSIS

Section 8.363 of the Charter generally provides that the
Civil Service Commission shall maintain records of absen-
tee leaves of absence due to illness or disability. These credits may be explic-
ent that accumulated unused sick leave shall not exceed six
months even as of the effective date of the amendment.

In accordance with Section 8.363 of the Charter, the
Civil Service Commission shall make a record of the illness or disabil-
ity that the employee was absent due to and his pay shall be credited on
a pro rata basis of paid service. (Section 23.07 Civil Service Rules). Under
these rules the employee earns one-half (1/2) of the amount of pay for each
day of sick leave taken. These leaves also provide that
an employee shall be paid in accordance with the employee's years of service at the
time of separation from employment (Section 23.14.1 Civil Service Rules).

In the general election on November 7, 1978, Section 8.363
of the Charter was amended by Proposition F to include the following:

"Those persons who are officers and employees on the ef-
factive date of this amended section may receive a cash pay-
ment only for unused sick leave accumulated prior to said effec-
tive date and remaining unused on the date of the officer's or
employee's retirement, or death or separation caused by
industrial accident. Those persons who become officers and
employees after the effective date of this amended section
shall not be entitled to receive a cash payment or compen-
sation of any type for accumulated unused sick leave."

The above-quoted section became effective on December 5, 1978, which was the date the Secretary of
State certified the amendment (See Sections 34463-34465 Government Code). The amend-
ment clearly provides that new employees on and after the effective date of the amendment shall not receive
any cash payment for accumulated unused sick leave upon separation from service. The question
now presented is whether the civil service commission should provide for leaves of absence
with pay (Rule 23 Civil Service Rules) (See Footnote No. 1 below) Under this rule an
employee's years of service at the time of separation from service is a vested right. On
September 12, 1978, the City Attorney, in an opinion entitled the City Attorney has
raised in your request, I reach the following conclusion:

The conclusion reached above is in my opinion consistent
with the Charter but the right of employees to receive
compensation for accumulated sick leave is vested. The two concepts are separate and distinct
and have much different consequences.

In fact if the right to accumulate is vested, then Propo-
sition F which establishes that unused sick leave
vested prior to December 5, 1978 is vested rather than the right to be-
ning vested. The employee would be entitled to pay-
ment after the effective date of the Amendment for
the 10 days vested.

The City Attorney's Opinion is reprinted in its entire-
ly on this page.
The State Assembly and Senate are inundated with bills every year, many of which have to do with law enforcement officers. Vice-President Elect Paul Chignell has overseen every one of these bills and has compiled the following digest for your information. This is another service your dues dollars help pay for, but gets little attention. Because of the quantity of this information, we will run the article in a four part series. Part one is below:

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The recently adopted Tax Reform Act of 1978 and some additional regulations have some good points, but they are not enough for IRA Keogh plan sponsors-participants. Among the most notable shortcomings are the following:

1. The time for setting up and making contributions to an IRA has been extended to the due date of the tax return for the year (including extensions). This means that eligible persons have until at least April 15 to establish an IRA and the deduction for the preceding tax year.

2. The rollover rules for IRAs have been greatly liberalized. Thus, the money can now roll over any part of a distribution, not necessarily the whole.

3. For plan years beginning in 1978, an owner-employee who is the only Keogh participant in that and all previous years doesn’t have to file Form 5500-0, Annual Return/Report of Employee Pension Benefit Plan for Sole Proprietorships and Partnerships. In addition, Form 5500-K will not be required for partnerships if the only participants are partners who own more than a 10% interest in either the capital or profits of the partnerships. This means that only those employers who have common-law employees will be required to file Form 5500-K. Therefore, it will not be necessary for us to impose our fees except on those few plans.

4. Most IRA participants will not have to file Form 5329 this year. Only taxpayers who owe excess contributions taxes, premature distributions taxes, or taxes on certain accumulations in IRAs or annuities will file Form 5329.

Finally we are beginning to see a reduction of the paperwork required of qualified plan sponsors and participants. We feel this is significant in that it indicates not only that IRS and DOL are finally beginning to understand what we have known all along.

To all the Members of the Police Officers: Association, I would like to express my appreciation for your continued support and your assistance in the projects that you have undertaken.

The sympathetic care and concern taken by the men and women of our police department who provided security to myself and my family in late November and December will always be remembered with deep gratitude. Without exception they gave of themselves and beyond what any hard working has ever known a victim of a robbery you can imagine. That is a stickup!! If you are ever involved in such a situation, remember that there is no reason why everyone cannot take practical and necessary steps to help themselves and other citizens.

First, you must remember that criminals, like their counterparts, are opportunists. Occasionally, we can stop the crime if the desire in the criminal is, for example, not flashing wads of money against others. But the San Francisco Police Crime Prevention Division stresses there is no reason why everyone cannot take practical and important steps to help themselves and other citizens.

FACT:

- About 73% of all persons 65 or older made less than $5,000.
- One of every seven couples with a husband 65 or older received less than $5,000.
- About 23% of all persons 62 years or older live below near the poverty level.

The Association’s current list of merits is distributed monthly to all officers to use during the extended waiting periods encountered when attending court.

The facilities supplied could consist of a coin operated pool table, a ping pong table, coffee machine, coke machine, juke box, card tables and chairs, and a television. Expected cost to be $1,500.

This is not too much to ask considering the amount of money donated to political campaigns for outsiders.

Sincerely,

Kenneth W. Williams

Dear Jerry:

I am concerned over the 21 points and their col- lateral issues, that were discussed on “Black Thursday”, January 4th, the so-called “concentrate” of a day lounge be established at the Association building for officers to use during the extended waiting periods encountered when attending court.

The probability is that this decree will pass with a majority vote by the members. Jerry, don’t believe all the lies and cheap tricks, this “thinking” reflected in the decree will bring even more ag- gressive problems in the future.

The compromise is so horrible that I believe the only honorable course is to have the Court mandate the remedy. In that way, at least we don’t taint ourselves.

The Association’s current list of merits is so untenable that it is a retreat from decency and equity. I can’t take the responsibility. Yet this retreat has been characterized as a victory by the Association and a tremendous show by our attorneys. I think it is the appropriate time for a dig.

Very truly yours,

Ronald J. Vernali

Sergeant
**Sports**

**PAL SPRING SCHEDULE**
- **PAL Soccer Officials School and Clinic:** Candidates: 17 years and older. **SESSIONS:** January - February.
- **PAL-GAL Volleyball (Girls only):** 6th Grade, 7th Grade and 8th Grade **SEASON:** March and April.
- **PAL-GAL Basketball (Boys):** 6th Grade, 7th Grade and 8th Grade **SEASON:** October, November and December.
- **America's Cup Match Racing Program (Boys):** **SEASON:** May and June.
- **PAL-SAILING (Boys only):** **SEASON:** June, July and August.

**PAL SUMMER SCHEDULE**
- **PAL Rifle Team (Boys and Girls):** Ages: 12 years and older. **SEASON:** June, July and August.
- **Hunter-Safety Program (Boys and Girls):** Ages: 10 years and older. **SESSIONS:** Saturdays, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. **SEASON:** June through July.
- **PAL Golf Club (Boys):** 6th Grade, 7th Grade and 8th Grade **SEASON:** October, November and December.
- **PAL Rifle Team (Boys and Girls):** Ages: 16 and older. **SEASON:** June, July and August.
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For those of you who missed the California State Women's Powerlifting Championships held at the SFPOA, a special ten minute showing will be on "Evening Magazine", Channel 5 on Wednesday, February 14, 1979. Also, a reminder of the benefit dinner to be held at the SFPOA on Saturday, February 17 at 7 p.m. This benefit is for local athletes that have competed in our weightlifting meets at the POA to send them to the National Championships.
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Central Station's Gerry Calgaro has been a dominant force in the SFPD Basketball League since its inception. But in the finals held at Kezar Pavilion on January 10, the SF Airport Police squad found a way to limit Calgaro's contribution: keep the ball away from him and get him in foul trouble. The result: the Airport team blasted Co. A, 113-78, to win this year's title. In the game for third place, Southern Station fell victim to a 37 point output by the SF Sheriff Department's Bart Michelis, 104-78.

Calgaro picked up three quick fouls in the first eight minutes of the game which limited his usual aggressiveness under the boards. Though Gerry finished with 27 points, high for Co. A, the Airport, led by Andy Fracchia and John Clark, their minds were willing, but the bodies, unfortunately, had lost a step. Led by Leon, Huegle, and Clark, their game for third place, Southern Station-fell victim to a 92-79 win over Southern in the other semi-final. Teammate Fred Spencer turned in another consistent performance, as did Co. A's Ed Rodriguez.

In the third place game, the Sheriffs' John Casey, with 25 points, and Rich Braun backed up Michelis' point-sprey in a game that was very similar to the title game. Ross Laffin and League Commissioner Bob Puts both hit 18 to lead Co. B, but Mike Murphy's absence was too much of a loss. Southern seemed out of it by halftime.

The road to the playoffs for these four teams went like this: Park and the Sheriffs met to break a tie for third. A 114-117 score went to the Sheriffs, 81-77. Ed Rodriguez pumped in 28 and the game for third place, Southern Station fell victim to a 92-79 win over Southern in the other semi-final. Teammate Fred Spencer's 22 made things a bit tough for Co. B's Dale Allen and Mike Murphy, though Murphy went to the hoop for 20 points.

AROUND THE LEAGUE: In Division A, Northern's up-and-down season (4-5) was highlighted by a victory over the Inspectors—a game in which Co. E had only four men to put on the court: Vigil, Donovan, O'Mahoney and Flaherty. Mission, even with a "transfusion" of youth (Drago, Delagnes, O'Connor), could only manage a 2-7 record, but two losses were to play-off bound Southern and Richmond teams by a total of four points...Southeast finished the season without a victory; after the loss of Steve Parenti, Co. C's Mike Jamieson and Frank Walker couldn't supply enough punch to overcome other problems...the CHIP team also failed to win a game, though Eli Horn made things tough for a few opponents...

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