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Inspectors May Make Ballot

Conroy Dinner Great Success

The testimonial dinner in honor of John Conroy, who retired on September 1st, was a great success. There is no place in the city large enough to hold all of his friends, so Ed's Chuck Wagon on West Portal was packed to the rafters.

Past President Conroy was presented with a retired star and a portable television set. After the presentation was made and his virtues extolled, Brother Conroy spoke for a few moments and took that opportunity to remind us of the pressing need for loyalty among policemen. The fact that trouble is always imminent for a working police officer, and therefore more than ever a policeman must be able to depend on his brother officers for help at a moments notice.

The department is poorer because of his retirement and it is the hope of all of us that he enjoys a long and happy retirement.

Candidates Night--Oct. 16

Only a month away and this Association will be having its "Candidates' Night". Make plans now to attend this important meeting. This is THE important meeting of the year. Further details in the next issue of this paper.

Subsequent to the last monthly meeting of this Association, the proposed charter amendment, sponsored by the Police Commission, to create twenty-five (25) additional inspectorships in the Police Department was approved by the Judiciary Committee of the Board of Supervisors.

The legislation was tabled once by the Judiciary Committee and brought up again at its next meeting with favorable results. At this latter meeting the measure received more support.

The inspectorships are slated for four

(4) units; namely, Juvenile Bureau, Bureau of Special Services, the Hit and Run Detail, and the Intelligence Unit.

At this writing there is no definitive breakdown of the number of men in each of these units who will fill these new posts. All that is positive at this time is that these jobs will be in addition to the inspectors detailed to the Bureau of Inspectors.

Your Legislative Committee is keeping a watchful eye on this legislation, and as soon as any further developments occur the membership will be informed.

Residence Retained

The proposed charter amendment, sponsored by the Police Commission, to reduce the residence requirements, required for eligibility to take the patrolman's examination, from five years to one year, has been tabled by the Judiciary Committee of the Board of Supervisors.

Your Legislative Committee actively opposed this change on a number of grounds but emphasized more specifically the fact that for the first time since World War II a patrolman's eligibility list has been in effect for several years. This indicated that jobs

with the police department are not as ready available as in the past decade and a half.

It appears that the labor market here in San Francisco will have more than enough qualified eligibles for the patrolman's job for some years to come.

We trust that no attempt will again be made to reduce the residence requirements for we as policemen are fully cognizant that the men who are established residents of San Francisco know its people best and are therefore best qualified to serve them efficiently.

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Editorial

The heroic death of the young highway patrolman up in Willows recently should serve as a reminder to all of us that the shadow of death lurks about us all the time.

He died with his boots on in the real sense of the phrase. Mortally wounded by his assailants, he rose and with three shots killed his murderers before he died.

His death should call to mind the names of the honored dead of the San Francisco Police Department who were killed in the never ending war with criminals. Officer Bob Walters, Inspector Denis Bradley and Officer Tom Guzzetti are the most recent.

These tragic deaths are in our thoughts now and it would be well for us to reflect on them. Let them serve us in the future in this manner; proceed with caution, shoot straight and serve with honor.

We pray that these heroes did not die in vain.

Handicapped Boys Swim Meet

The San Francisco Lodge of Elks has a swim program for handicapped boys between the ages of 5 and 16 years. The boys who attend these classes receive personal attention and exercise and as a result many of them have shown amazing improvement in their physical condition.

MR. BYRON SOMMERS, the chairman of this committee, has extended an invitation to any member of the Police Department who may have a handicapped boy to join this program. The classes are held at the Elks' Club Pool, 456 Post Street, every Sunday morning from 8:30 to 10 a.m. There is no charge for these services. Anyone interested will be sent an application. For information contact CON RYAN, Central Station (Day watch) or at home, LO 6-8981.

Vital Statistics

Retirements

James A. Carpeneti, 8-19.
John H. Conroy, 9-1.
Patrick O'Shea, 9-1.
Otto Meyer, 9-16.

Resignation

Robert Unruh, 8-25.

Promotions

Capt. McKlem to Dir. of Traffic, 9-16.
Capt. D. Kiely to Sup. Capt., 9-16.
Sgt. John Butler to Dept. Secty., 9-16.
Lt. E. Comber to Dir. Crim. Info., 9-16.
Sgt. John Zwicker to Lt., 9-1.
Sgt. Frank Matlin to Lt., 9-1.
Off. John Minderman to Sgt., 9-1.
Off. Hugh O'Connor to Sgt., 9-1.

Appointments

Chapman D. Reise, 8-1.
Martin Bastiani, 9-1.
Arthur Bates, 9-1.
Frank Boscacci, 9-1.
Joseph Brodnick, 9-1.
John Cleary, 9-1.
Frank Coombs, 9-1.
Kenneth Debrunner, 9-1.
Pete Dito, 9-1.
Roy Giorgi, 9-1.
Charles Hammond, 9-1.
Richard Kazarian, 9-1.
George LaBrash, 9-1.
Robert Landucci, 9-1.
John Leone, 9-1.
Thomas Mangani, 9-1.
Ervin McKibbin, 9-1.
Kenneth Osgood, 9-1.
Donald Ostrem, 9-1.
Paul Paulides, 9-1.
Charles Reske, 9-1.
Paul Schneider, 9-1.
Vincent Sullivan, 9-1.
Donald Sweeney, 9-1.
Ben Vaniderstine, 9-1.
Vernon Ware, 9-1.
Ernest Warren, 9-1.
Eugene Wilson, 9-1.
Harold Winkler, Jr., 9-1.

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We plan to publish this paper every month for the members of the association. Any criticism, contribution or suggestion will be appreciated. Contact any member of the publications committee.

Credit Union Doings

How many insurance programs do you know of that PAY YOU money for the privilege of insuring your life? The only one we know of is the insurance offered you at no additional cost when you save in the SFPD Federal Credit Union. That's right, free insurance on your life up to the sum of \$1000, providing you are under 55 when you become eligible. (Also available in lesser amounts for those over 55.)

The next question logically then is how do I become eligible for this free insurance? Very easily, simply become a depositor in the credit union. If you are under age 55, every dollar you save in the credit union (up to \$1000) is worth two dollars in the event of your death. This also applies to any member of your family you may elect to bring into the credit union. Meanwhile, while the amount of your insurance is steadily growing, you are drawing interest on the money you have deposited. (An average of 4% per year since organization of the credit union.)

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the start of the raise in July a great many of the members of the department have taken advantage of the payroll deduction system to save painlessly. Start your payroll deductions now. Now that you have had the raise long enough to get rid of those few aggravating bills that were backed up on you, start putting some of that extra cash away for that new house, car, baby or next year's vacation. Ask the men on payroll deduction now how easy it is. They'll tell you that those dollars never seen are never missed, and they'll also tell you how handy it is to have a few bucks available when those unexpected bills come rolling in.

REPORT: The federal examiners just recently completed their annual audit of our books. To give you their complete report would sound like we were blowing our own horn, but basically their comment was to commend us on our healthy growth. However, they did say that in an organization with as steady an income as ours that more members should be saving more money. That we leave up to you. Just remember this: The more money you save, the more interest you earn; and, even more important, from the credit union viewpoint, the more money is made available to others in the department who wish to take advantage of the low cost and longer terms provided in credit union loans. So help yourself, help your fellow officers, and help your credit union. Come in now and sign up for systematic savings through payroll deduction.

RETIREMENT ALLOWANCES

The following is a schedule of allowances for service retirement after 25 years of service but prior to obtaining the full 50 per cent service allowance.

For a man who entered the service on his 21st birthday, the following schedule would apply (per cent average of last three years' pay):

Age at Retirement	Amount of Pension
46	.366850%
47	.389138%
48	.413352%
49	.439714%
50	.468510%
51	.500000%

For a man who entered on his 22nd birthday, the following schedule would apply (per cent average of last three years' pay):

Age at Retirement	Amount of Pension
47	.363964%
48	.386611%
49	.411268%
50	.438201%
51	.467653%
52	.500000%

For a man who entered on his 23rd birthday, the following schedule would apply (per cent average of last three years' pay):

Age at Retirement	Amount of Pension
48	.360824%
49	.383951%
50	.409095%
51	.436591%
52	.466789%
53	.500000%

For a man who entered on his 24th birthday, the following schedule would apply (per cent average of last three years' pay):

Age at Retirement	Amount of Pension
49	.357727%
50	.381154%
51	.406773%
52	.434908%
53	.465850%
54	.500000%

For a man who entered on his 25th birthday, the following schedule would apply (per cent average of last three years' pay):

Age at Retirement	Amount of Pension
50	.354340%
51	.378156%
52	.404312%
53	.433078%
54	.464824%
55	.500000%

After qualification for service retirement by either serving 30 years in the aggregate or 25 years and attaining age 55, members of the Police Retirement may, by remaining on the job, earn an additional 1 and two-thirds per cent per year until they reach age 60.

NEXT MEETING

Tues. October 16

DOVRE HALL

8 P.M.

CANDIDATES' NIGHT

Minutes, Tuesday, August 21, Membership Meeting

President Gardner called the meeting to order at 8:20 p.m.

Minutes of July Meeting—The reading of the minutes of the July meeting was dispensed with as same were printed in the August edition of the paper.

Communications—Letter from Retirement League of San Francisco (composed of all City Employee organizations) directing attention of city employee organizations to a proposed charter amendment being considered for submission to the Board of Supervisors to use funds of the retirement system for building purposes. Matter referred to the Legislative Committee for investigation and report.

Treasurer's Report—The report of the Treasurer stood approved as read.

Bills—The membership directed that all current bills be paid.

Legislative Committee—(1) Reported that the Judiciary Committee of the Board of Supervisors had tabled a Police Commission sponsored charter amendment which would have reduced the residence requirements for eligibility to take the patrolman's examination from five years to one year.

(2) The proposed charter amendment, sponsored by the Police Commission, providing for inspector ratings in the Juvenile Bureau, Bureau of Special Services, Hit and Run Detail of the Accident Investigation Bureau, and the Intelligence Unit, was tabled by the Board of Supervisors' Judiciary Committee.

Blood Bank Committee—Twelve (12) units in reserve. Will conduct drive next month to replenish the fund.

Credit Union Committee—The union was commended by the Federal auditing committee for its outstanding work in abiding by the regulations of the Federal Government Credit Union Bureau.

Membership now totals approximately 1330; some \$600,000 in assets.

Extension of 4-12 and 12-8 Watches—Central Station advised some 30 members contacted; 27 were in favor of extending the watches over a greater length of time.

All directors to canvass the memberships of their units and make report by next meeting of the results obtained.

Parking in 800 Block of Kearny Street For Policemen Attending Court—No new meetings held with administrators. Will work further on the matter.

Uniforms—Bro. Allan Rosenbaum, Mission Station, advised that the Lilli-Ann Corporation had been contacted relative to furnishing uniforms at a price less than the \$85 quoted by local uniform dealers. It was felt that the asking price of \$85 was too high. Bros. Rosenbaum, Sol Weiner (Motorcycles), and Richard Patten (Richmond Station), appointed as a committee to follow the matter further.

Promotions Committee—No report available. Chairman of committee detailed this date to Republican Convention.

Membership Committee—First Vice President Vincent Simpson, chairman of the Membership Committee, was directed to work closely with the unit directors in the collection of the annual dues.

Adjourned—The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m. after a moment's silence in honor of our departed brothers.

Refreshments—Refreshments were served following the adjournment.

JAMES J. HEGARTY,
Secretary.

Police-Fire Golf News

The Club held a sweepstakes at the Lake Merced Golf and Country Club on Thursday, July 26th, and the following winners are requested to contact Officer John Maughan at Harding Park or their prizes:

- Class A (Handicaps 0-9) (12 players):**
- George Connolly 75- 9-66
 - Bill McCool 71- 3-68

- Class B (Handicaps 10-14) (13 players):**
- George Effisimo 86-14-72
 - Al Laveille 86-11-75
 - Joe Pappa 89-14-75

- Class C (Handicaps 15-24) (12 players):**
- Tom Gilchrist 90-20-70
 - Jim Kirwan 90-18-72

- Blind Bogey (25 Handicap & over) (47 players):**
- By Tardiff 94-30-64
 - Tom Gordon 88-21-67
 - Herb Morey 90-21-69
 - Ernie Frescura 90-21-69
 - Bob Upp 84-15-69
 - S. O'Keefe 105-36-69

Two more sweepstakes will be held before the annual Police-Fire Match at Lakeside on Friday, Nov. 23rd, and all players are requested to have at least three sweepstake scores posted. Players will be notified by teletype of the dates and clubs.

RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS

In answer to many requests for information about the retirement system, we are publishing for your consideration the current contribution scale broken down into age groups.

These rates were put into effect in July 1, 1949:

Age	Even Age	Age plus ¼	Age plus ½	Age plus ¾					
21—	7.17	7.13	7.09	7.05	24—	6.74	6.71	6.67	6.65
22—	7.01	6.98	6.94	6.90	25—	6.62	6.69	6.76	6.85
23—	6.87	6.84	6.81	6.77	26—	6.92	7.01	7.09	7.17
					27—	7.25	7.35	7.44	7.52
					28—	7.62	7.71	7.80	7.90
					29—	8.00	8.11	8.21	8.32
					30—	8.43	8.39	8.34	8.30
					31—	8.26	8.23	8.18	8.13
					32—	8.09	8.04	7.99	7.94
					33—	7.89	7.84	7.79	7.73
					34—	7.68	7.61	7.56	7.50
					35—	7.44	7.39	7.32	7.26
					36—	7.19			

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