



Grid-Leak Drippings . . .

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Kind of mad at Ed Kuprel, W8IMR, of PD Detroit — we just put our column in "Tuebor" (monthly publication of Detroit Police Officers' Association) and he had told us not to hold the column — the expected one was expected for week or so — next day, he is out passing cigars. But we won't be too harsh on Ed — he has been awfully busy visiting hospital lately — not only his wife and 7 lb., 10 oz., daughter Lynne Ann Kuprel — had to be visited — but also the guys around the station who went overboard with the free cigars. The tot arrived just about three days too late to be a 1955 income tax deduction, but Ed has been seen looking for a child's size soldering gun — so he won't lose too much.

Just talked with Syl Zachary, W8-DEN, of PD Highland Park, Michigan. Syl has been keeping himself QRL as can be, playing piano in the Departmental Orchestra.

Nice greetings card from Wilbur Jensen, W9JEK; Frank McNally, W9-NLA, and Roy Friedland, no ham, but signs "RF" at "MA" — Wisconsin State Traffic Patrol, Madison.

Nice idea our Don Dunn, the All American Boy, had — Marty (that's Mrs. Don) Dunn baked couple of banana cream pies — it was her first attempt at banana cream pie — so Don brought one over to the island for us to sample, Dan Lisuk, Ed Kuprel, Don Dunn and self — real good — may we suggest she test out her ability on cream-filled graham-cracker crust pie? THAT, ma'm, is eating!

George Keck (GK at KQB49 DM) and yours truly swapped shifts — we will work the relief shift on CW, with George and Ed Hait working alternately the day and the afternoon shifts, with me filling in on their days off. We think we are going to like it.

We got hooked by APCO's Prexie, Howard Black, to have the "Procedure Committee," yours truly as chairman, to

re-write the Operating Procedure Manual — within a month we should be able to get to it. Hope we can do right by it — would appreciate any comments — now.

Nice New Year greetings card from gang at KSB41/"LO" — PD Indianapolis, Indiana, signed by Supt. Frank Campbell, W9CJF; Asst. Supt. Joe Riley, W9VJW; Bill Abraham, W9ENS; Wallace Fox, W9VKZ; Bill Manning, W9KPN; Garland Rix, W9SLI; John

Williams, W9ESS; also some non-hams — Jerry Beranek, Bill Jump, Leo Klinger, Walter Moll, and Paul White-side — thank you very much. . . . One from George Johnson, W0YHV, of KAA73/"KW," PD Wichita, Kansas. Card from Ike Anttila, W8IAV, who retired from Detroit PD Radio and is now using the alias of Ike's Radio and TV Sales and Svc., up in Sebringville, Ontario, Canada.

Nice letter ref Ten-Sigs from SP Macomb, Ills., KSA90/"PM" 's ole F. Art Carnahan. Tells us that he is awaiting decision of the National APCO Exec Board on the proposed changes in the ten-sigs before we can re-write the Procedure Manual both nationally and the one that Illinois is planning for their group. Art suggests that after decision is reached that our Editor Bob Mix, W8CDQ, can use them in the *Bulletin*.

Nice card from gang at SP Sterling, Illinois, KSA89/"PG": George Billeaux, W9VOQ; Otto ("Dusty") Rhoades, W9KPT; George Miller, Gene Reis, Tom Friedlein and John Bass. Thank you.

Letter

"Dear Ken:

"At long last am getting around to dropping you a line. It was a real thrill for me to return to the police telegraph net after a layoff of eleven years. (Has it really been that long?)

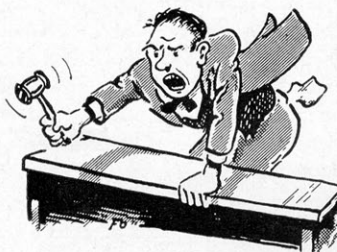
"The net has made great improvements over its operation in the past 11 years. In spite of the buzz saw interference and phone carriers on the 8 mc channels. They all but put us out of business here. We particularly have a phone on 7935 kc, which zero beats and when it is modulated with voice it almost blocks out the code-signals.

"Was QSO 'DR' this AM and asked him if they had salt water in Denver as his 'swing' sounded like a real ole timer from the deep salt water. Hi. I like it.

"Have been having some good luck

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