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## A Few Answers, Please

The deliberate, bold and violent attack by Israeli planes and ships upon the USS Liberty June 8 was unbelievable in its stupidity. However, to us, even more unbelievable is the humble way the United States has accepted the Israeli apology with little more than a weak protest—as though we were some small, defenseless nation fearful of offending a powerful ally.

Where is our righteous indignation? Our public demand for full and immediate explanation? Where is our just request for indemnities for the lives of the 34 dead and sufferings of the 76 wounded American sailors? If they have been made, we have not heard them.

And where is Israel's explanation? Or offer of indemnity? If they have been made, we haven't heard them either.

## Vote 'No' on Recall

Clackamas County citizens will have to foot the \$15,000 bill for the cost of the special election July 6 on the recall of Commissioner Stan Skoko.

The election, petitioned for by a group representing themselves to be for the Improvement of Clackamas County Government, is a flagrant waste of taxpayers' money and, even if successful, can accomplish nothing to improve and much to destroy good government in the county.

The fact that the group has been unable to charge Mr. Skoko with any malfeasance that would justify a recall and can accuse him only of "abuse of responsibility," should prove that he has done his job well—probably too well—for in discharging the duties and responsibilities of his office he has obviously stepped on a few toes and therefore become the object of vindictive attack.

Of course mistakes happen—and there is no question that, however stupid it may have been, the attack on the Liberty was a mistake. But if the mistake had been made by Arab or Russian forces would our reactions be the same?

We remember when, a few months ago, a Russian fishing boat captain was arrested by the Coast Guard for fishing in American waters. His crime of catching some presumably American fish created quite an uproar and to regain his freedom he had to pay a fine of \$10,000.

We fail to see why more fuss is made by our government over the netting of a few fish of questionable origin than is made about the killing and maiming of 110 American boys. Can it be that the nationality of the offender makes the difference to this supposedly neutral country?

Once its ICCG satellite rids itself of the Skoko stumbling block, the ZAMO plan is to place a puppet in his place and through him (or her) pull the strings of the county government to suit their own ends. If the other commissioners should object—it has already been intimated that more recall petitions are ready.

Thus, the issue that faces the voters in the election, just two weeks away, is not whether we should recall Commissioner Skoko. The true question is whether we, the taxpayers of Clackamas County, are willing to surrender our votes to their rule by petition and permit small but highly organized, special interest groups to usurp control of the county government from the hands of the rightful electorate. The answer to that, of course, should be an overwhelming "NO" on the recall.



UGN's HELPING HANDS are symbolized by fraternal handshake of these two United Good Neighbors 1967 campaign leaders, UGN East Metropolitan Division chairman Ross Fanning (left), owner of Fanning Chevrolet in Gresham, says he is confident the 1967 campaign will be a success. Fanning says one of the reasons for his confidence is that George Morgan (right) of Walrad Insurance Agency in Sandy and Gresham, has been named Sandy Mountain District chairman.

## ★ Letters to the Editor ★

### Man vs. Machine

To the Editor:

Sandy, Oregon is blessed with a convenient, capably staffed, attractive post office. It is, however, plagued with a disastrously inept stamp machine—a machine that contradicts what many are prone to think about machines: that they somehow have "all the answers". This one not only does not have all the answers (and I fear that cliché terribly understates the case), it never has any stamps. Upon seven encounters with said machine, and after six miserable failures to get any results that might be construed as even partially successful, I have decided to publicly appeal to the Postmaster to get the "blasted" thing fixed, or scrap it altogether. I suggest that is the latter course is adopted, an acceptable (and that means workable) substitute be found. If I am willing to go to the trouble to remember "zip codes", the least the Post Office Department can do is provide its benefactors with efficient stamp machines.

Sincerely,  
Dennis W. Crow

### No Connection

To the Editor,

It has come to my attention that Zip Code Directories have been sold in the area in the name of the fire department.

The Sandy Fire Department has not authorized and is in no way connected with any such endeavor.

Lyle Seaman, Chief  
Sandy Rural Fire  
Protection District

### Recall Unfair

Dear Editor,

I am one of those who find the recall movement against County Commissioner Stan Skoko sadly lacking in good sense and fairness. It is quite obvious that Mr. Skoko cannot be bought, has great courage, is highly intelligent, and shows

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## Short Local

Jim Weisberger, a 1967 graduate of Estacada High School, has received an appointment to the Coast Guard Academy in New London, Conn.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. George Weisberger of Eagle Creek, Jim will leave Sunday for the academy.

## CLASSIFIED ADS PAY

## Service Lines

Fireman Apprentice CURTIS T. NEILSON, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. True S. Neilson of Rt. 2, Boring, is aboard the radar picket destroyer, USS Ernest G. Small, enroute to the Western Pacific for duty with the Seventh Fleet.

Cleveland had America's first electrically lighted streets, in 1879.



Top left: Chevy II Nova Sport Coupe. Foreground: Chevrolet Impala Sport Sedan. Top right: Camaro Sport Coupe.

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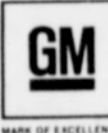
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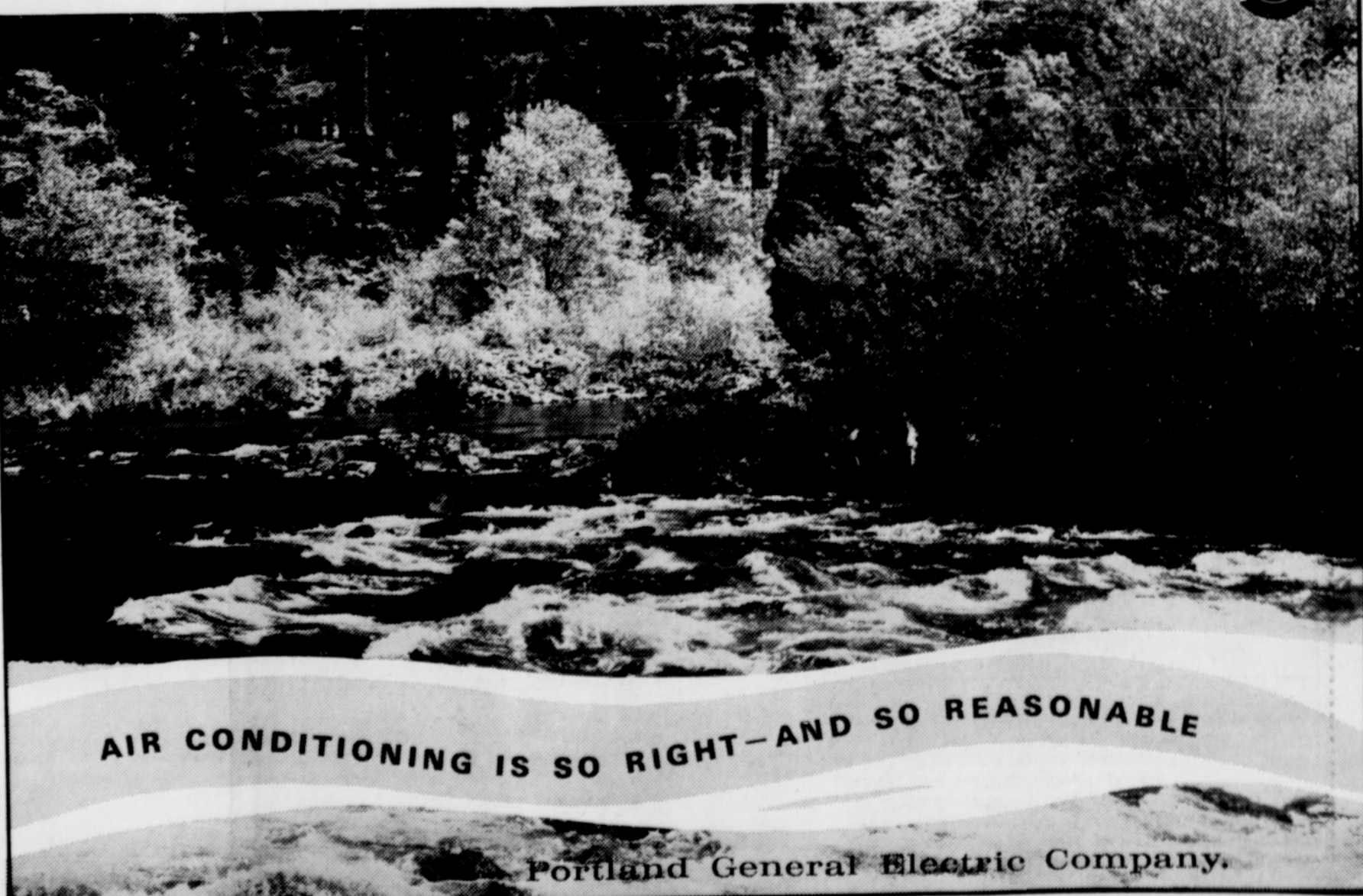


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## Dad's Day Gift

The Post's fishing expert, George Mac Alevy, received the following verse from his daughter-in-law on Father's Day.

Hand painted on a wall hanging  
—the verse by an anonymous  
author reads:

A Fisherman's Prayer  
I pray that I may live to fish  
Until my dying day.  
And when it comes to my last  
cast

I then most humbly pray,  
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ing net

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