

Police Union, Goldschmidt ready for battle

by Roy Harvey

January 9th Mayor Goldschmidt submitted himself to an inquiry by the Portland Police Association (PPA). Several days later the Executive Board of the Association and then a majority of polled membership decided to support Frank Ivancie for Mayor. Having lost his bid for police support, the Mayor railed at the union: "If Ivancie loses, police standing in the community is going to suffer." Goldschmidt told reporters: "I have had a very bad relationship with the President of the union...because of his views on America, his views on this city, his views on crime and his views on every other subject - and I wouldn't chose to have it any other way." Following that, in an effort clearly meant to isolate union head Stan Peters from his membership, Goldschmidt said "I have a great deal of respect for other police."

Stan Peters, an eight year veteran of the police department, was amazed at "the all encompassing nature of the charges - what I am for." Peters said, "is for good solid law enforcement, the training and development of highly respected police officers, competent people in the police, and competent people in leadership of the city. It's nonsense for the Mayor to say he's had 'bad relations with the head of the police union' - the last time we talked was in his office on November 6th. It was a cordial, relatively intimate talk for a couple of hours. His attack Tuesday was below the stature of a competent Mayor."

Many observers view Goldschmidt's attack on Peters as a warning to other city employees to stay out of the mayoral race - or support Goldschmidt. This is the interpretation of Goldschmidt's statement: "if you play in heavy traffic you're going to get your toes run over sometimes..." Last July Goldschmidt

noted that the police union had supported him for city council and then in his Mayoral election.

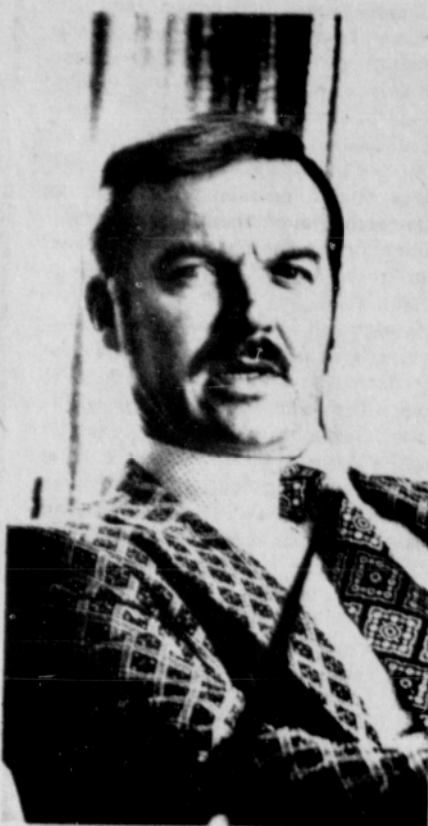
The **Portland Observer** interviewed PPA President Stan Peters prior to Goldschmidt's outburst. There was no question at that time that the Union was clearly opposed to the re-election of the Mayor: "Who runs Goldschmidt? It's an interesting question. He doesn't have the support of Labor. Public employees are not behind him. It would be interesting to know what his base is."

The reasons the police are opposed to Goldschmidt and for Ivancie are not specifically enumerated. "The majority of union members simply returned the ballots for Ivancie, against the Mayor. They could have any number of reasons," Peters outlined some of them: one of the first things the Mayor did was break up the police union (separating officers from the union). Another contention with Goldschmidt is over the LEAA, though it is not articulated in that form. "Strings are always attached to anything the LEAA offers - we simply don't want their dictation. Peters said he had just been invited to attend a Maryland LEAA meeting "for input on how management and labor can improve their relations - through LEAA guidance." Peters said he wanted nothing to do with the meeting. "We had one of the best burglarly experts in the country, Myron Warren - why not put him in charge of Crime Prevention, instead of a civilian who knows nothing at all and is put in position over police - and that's the way it is throughout the whole Goldschmidt operation. The Mayor is out to build a political machine. His administrative assistants are dedicated to the proposition that you'd damn well better work to keep Goldschmidt in office. This power machine is developed at the expense of public employees and the public's safety."

This charge parallels that of Commissioner Ivancie, who says that Goldschmidt is creating a patronage system. Ivancie says he has no quarrel at all with 'outsiders', but when they are rushed in at top salaries to head departments over competent people, the Mayor is "building a patronage system, not good government."

Another area of contention was the selection of the chief of police. Peters said that Leo Miller (the Portland Police Captain who committed suicide last July) had been offered the job of chief of police "but he turned it down because Goldschmidt told him that he wouldn't be his own boss." Peters noted that the Mayor bypassed the six candidates interviewed for the job, to select Baker. Peters was unaware of the **Seattle Times** report that the selection of Baker was made in consultation with ex CIA covert operations head Robert Kiley.

Many of the charges leveled at Goldschmidt by the PPA recall those of Leo Miller. Peters was a close friend of Miller's: "Leo was one of the most principled men I have ever known - he



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had a notion of responsibility - of what was good for people, of what was good for the police; he was incapable of unprincipled compromise." Miller, who quit his job as police captain four months before his suicide called Chief Baker "a failure and an apologist for Mayor Goldschmidt." Miller was critical of 'the corrosion of the Civil Service structure by the Goldschmidt administration', the staffing of important police positions by non-professionals. A close friend of Miller's recalled Miller telling her: "you just tell me what the rules are and I'll play within the rules - and I'll beat you." One theory about Miller was that he simply could not break the gestalt: he hadn't any clear perception of what he was up against. This theory views the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA) to be the body to which Goldschmidt defers, and that Miller's principled nature excluded him from insight into the 'rules' to work with the federal police agency, an organization which notoriously eschews democracy, offering instead 'choices' within parameters outlined by the LEAA.

Stan Peters has already experienced the Mayor's wrath, according to the PPA newspaper **The Rap Sheet**. Peters was transferred from the police academy to prowl duty, and was told "The reason you are being transferred is because the Chief (Baker) saw you coming out of Commissioner Ivancie's office." The PPA views the transfer as 'punitive, illegal, blatant harassment.'

Jackson defeats Jefferson cagers

by Pat Lasley

The Jackson Raiders were pleasingly satisfied as they eased by the Jefferson Democrats in the last few seconds of overtime play.

Most of the game was a hard-comeby lead for Jackson, until the fourth quarter, when Jefferson took over the lead and boosted it to eight points. The crowds got excited to see Jeff on top.

The game became very tense to watch and loads of pressure was put on the players as they wished to please their spectators.

Although people may not know or believe that referees make bad calls, critics will say different. Some of their opinions can be based on calls of the Jeff vs Jackson game. For example, when the ball was overthrown by a Demo and bounced off a Raider's foot, one ref called it Jefferson's ball while the other ref called a foul on Jefferson, and that ref was at the other end of the court! Jackson then received a one-on-one shot.

Fourth quarter brought the real rivalry of the game as Gary Walden led the Demos down the court for two. Then Craig Channel, of Jackson, received the ball and ran all the way down court and put up a shot for a score.

This trend of play continued until the score was Jackson 64 and Jefferson 66, with just a few seconds left to play. Jackson had the ball with a few seconds left at the end of the fourth quarter. Within that time, the buzzer should have sounded to end the game. It didn't sound but the seconds ticked off the clock. Jackson scored within the time of their possession of the ball and the time it took

the officials to notice that the time was up.

They tied the score to go into a three minute overtime. Jefferson maintained control of the ball and worked it around for a while.

They managed to score putting them up by two.

Two points were also scored by the Raiders to match the Demo's score of 68.

A foul was called on the play which placed Gary at the line. He made one shot to go up to 69. Jackson gained control and put up another two points, giving them a one point lead. Jefferson fell into foul trouble and made the score 71 Jackson, 69 Jefferson.

Three seconds remained on the score board with the ball in Jeff's hands. The play was fairly simple. They brought the ball in bounds at Jackson's basket, threw it to a waiting Virgil Allen to make a score. Unfortunately, the buzzer sounded and Jackson's fan congratulated them on their second win over Jefferson - final score 71 to 69.

Their first match took place over Christmas vacation with Jackson on the edge 71-70.

A few players on the Jackson bench

were not eligible to play because of the semester grades.

Members of the Raider ball club were transfer students from Jeff. Their coach, Mr. Beachell also coached at Jefferson for a time.

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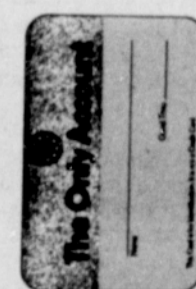
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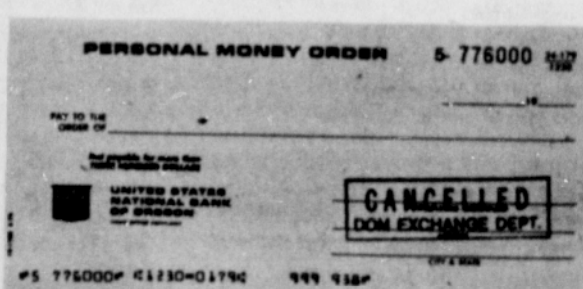
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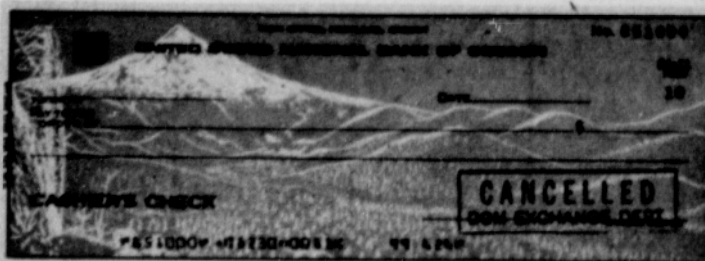
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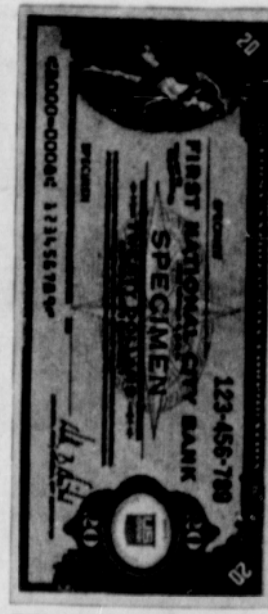
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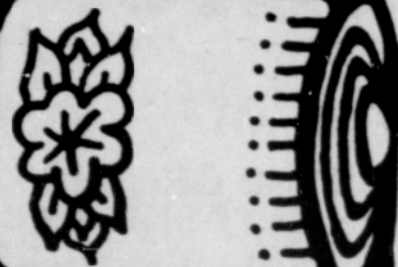
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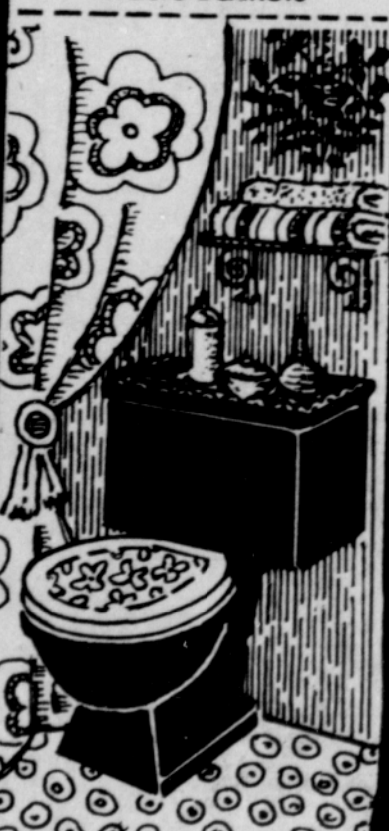


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