



**CHANGING THE GUARD**—Patrolmen back their squad cars out of the parking lot in the rear of the city police station to take their eight hour shift patrolling the city streets. A new squad of men goes on duty every eight

hours, at 8 a.m., 4 p.m. and midnight. Chief Howard prefers the squad car system to the foot patrol because one man can cover so much more territory when mobile.

## Upper Klamath Lakers Find Resort Advancing

By RUTH KING  
Not too many years ago the skeptics said "it couldn't be done." Today, those who oft repeated that no one in his "right mind" would build a home on the West Side of Upper Klamath Lake, must admit they erred.

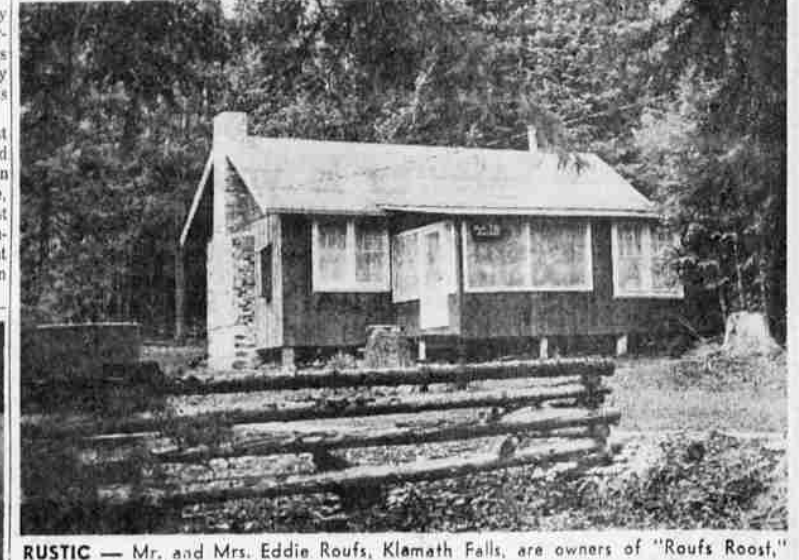
Today, scattered among the pines and the firs, many hidden from sight of travelers between Klamath Falls and Lake of the Woods, Klamath Falls and Rocky Point Resort, are dozens of homes, summer homes and year-round homes. Homes that have cost their owners from \$2,500 to \$15,000, built by folks who wanted the quiet of the woods, the nearness of water, chipmunks among the pine needles and a camp robber looking for a hand-out.

In the "old days" a few silver fox farms dotted open spaces in the timber, Harriman Lodge, Point Comfort, Lake of the Woods, and Rocky Point were havens for the few travelers who wanted to view the beauties of the Upper Klamath Lake country . . . the only road, unpaved, missed the trees and stumps, meandering through the timber, a forest ranger kept an eye on visitors and fires, fishing was great, and deer raided cabbage patches of the early settlers.

Eleven years ago Harold J. Klamath County.



**ATTRACTIVE SURROUNDINGS** — Redwood exterior and fireplace make interesting spot for signing on the dotted line for a lot at Frontier Guest Ranch. Family living quarters for the Harold J. Fish family are in rear.



**RUSTIC** — Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Roufs, Klamath Falls, are owners of "Roufs Roost," tucked away behind a rail fence.

## Better Protection, More Efficiency In 1962 Police Department Progress

By GEORGE ALOTRICO  
The Klamath Falls Police Department moved ahead in several ways in 1962 to provide better police protection for residents and more efficient operations at the station house.

Major crimes in the city decreased over 12 per cent in 1962 compared to 1961. Charles Howard, chief of police, said, in cities of this size over the nation there was an average increase of eight per cent in major crime in the first nine months of 1962, an FBI report shows.

Lesser offenses also decreased in Klamath Falls. The number of cases cleared, 77 per cent, showed the same percentage as in 1961.

Chief Howard attributes some of the crime prevention success in 1962 to the smooth operation of the patrol car system. The more efficient operation of the station was due to three changes made during the year. These changes involved the operation of the new jail kitchen, moving the office of Ray Howard, juvenile officer, from city hall to the police station, and uniforming all persons jailed with prisoner coveralls.

Ray Howard can work more efficiently now that the police records are right at his elbow. He now receives word of juvenile crimes immediately because he is working in the same building with the patrolmen.

The traffic between the city hall and the station wasted time, but there are no delays now," Howard said. "The escape problem with trusty laborers has all but been eliminated now that the trusties are outfitted in coveralls," Chief Howard said.

The use of trusties eliminates hiring extra help for a great number of duties in the city and results in a saving of taxpayers' money. In 1962 trusties worked a total of 3,769 man hours. Trusties

were used last year in the kitchen making the operation more economical.

Cook Oliver W. Holmes supervises their work cleaning dishes, cutting meat, peeling potatoes and bringing food to the other prisoners.

House trustees do janitor and gardening work in and around the jail, city hall and the city library. Trusties also work for the street and recreation departments, at the sewage plant, airport, dog pound, stadium, P.P.C. range and with the fire and engineering departments.

The bulk of the trusty man hours was divided among duties around the jail and in the street and recreation departments in 1962.

The cost of meals for prisoners plummeted since the new \$6,500 facility was constructed in 1961. The operation began in September and the average cost of meals dropped from 59 cents to 14.8 cents for the last four months of 1961. The average cost in 1962 (the first full year of operation) was 16.6 cents.

Prior to September 1961 meals were purchased on a contract basis and the trusties went back

and forth from a nearby residence to the jail bringing the meals to fellow prisoners.

Chief Howard is particularly pleased with the operation of the patrol car system, adopted four years ago.

"The car compared to the foot patrol system is 15 to 20 per cent more expensive, but each patrolman's efficiency is multiplied at least 100 times when he is in a patrol car," the chief said.

The city is divided into four beats and there are three to five cars out at all times. The force has a total of six patrol cars, one detective and one juvenile car.

One city beat covers the area of town north of Pine Street and a second covers the Hot Springs and Mills additions. The third stretches from Pine Street to the railroad and the fourth is the downtown beat. A sergeant's car is usually "running wild" and there are times when two vehicles will patrol the downtown area.

"Any car can answer a call in any section of town and this is what makes the system hard to beat," Howard said.

"A criminal can keep track of a foot patrolman easily, but speculation as to the whereabouts of

a squad car is very chancy business," he said.

In order to improve the capabilities of the members of the force, a number of conferences and training programs are attended by individual patrolmen each year. These schools are in excess of the regular in-service classes on subjects such as traffic accident investigation, interrogation of suspects and witnesses, courtroom behavior and report writing.

In 1962 two men attended a two-day state police academy session; four men attended a two-day supervisory training course, two men attended a three-day Western States Safe Burglary Conference, three attended the three-day Oregon Association of City Police Officers Convention, and eight went through a one-day practical pistol and combat instruction course.

The city patrolmen are not only busy on their duty hours but are also active civically on off duty time. The local police sponsor such activities as hunter safety and bike safety classes, and little league and bantam league baseball. Members of the force are often asked to speak before Boy Scout groups and address high school students on the dangers of misbehavior.



**RETREAT?** — After Harold J. (Pop) Fish, right, of Las Vegas bought 83 acres of land on the west side of Upper Klamath Lake for his family retreat, the world moved in and begged for land. Some of the acres were subdivided for homes near the junction of the Rocky Point and Lake of the Woods highways, and the Frontier Guest Ranch was started. Left, Bert Graham who once played big league baseball with Casey Stengel at \$175 per month.

## TB Tests Start Monday In Lake County Schools

LAKEVIEW—The Lake County Health Department, in conjunction with the Lake County Tuberculosis and Health Association, is beginning a county-wide TB testing program of all school children who have signed parental consent slips on Feb. 25, according to Dr. Paul G. Kiewer, Lake County health officer.

The program will be done throughout the county by Mrs. Ruth McKinney, county health nurse, and Mrs. Betty Elliott, who will act as secretary.

"The TB times are in the health office now in the courthouse and are paid for by support of the Christmas Seal campaign in the county.

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