





TOLEDO BLADE: SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 1953

Horse-Drawn Patrol Wagons Outmoded By These

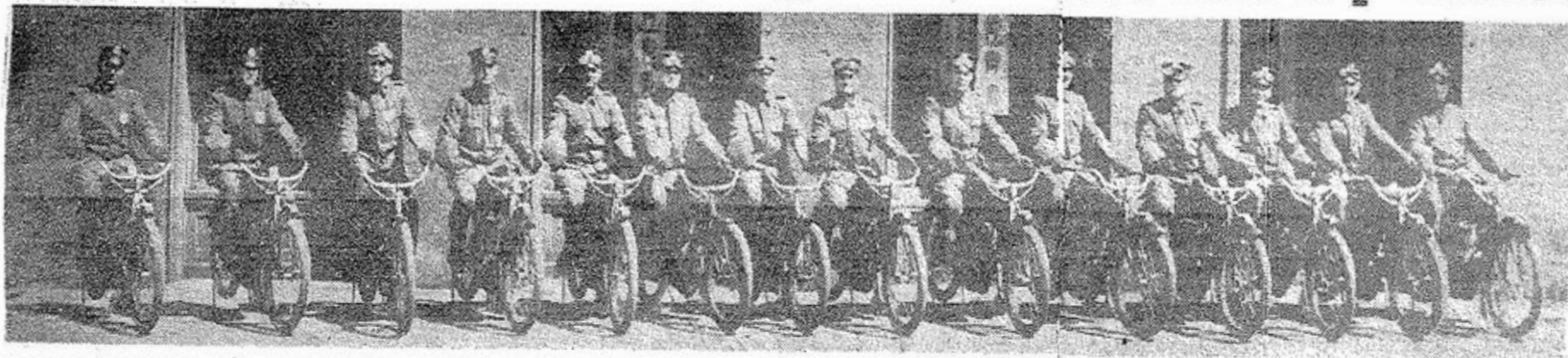


PHOTO OWNED BY INSPECTOR FAKEHANY SHOWS THE 1911 MOTORCYCLE SQUAD — THE FIRST
Left to right: James Kingsley, Edward Huntington and John Henahan, all deceased; Clarence Mead; August Salhoff; Lieut. William Schultz; John Hovey and John Connors, both deceased; Dick Martin, killed in the line of duty; Inspector Fakehany, and Fred Palicki, Guy Tibbles, Leo Nachtrab and Mose McCloskey, all four deceased

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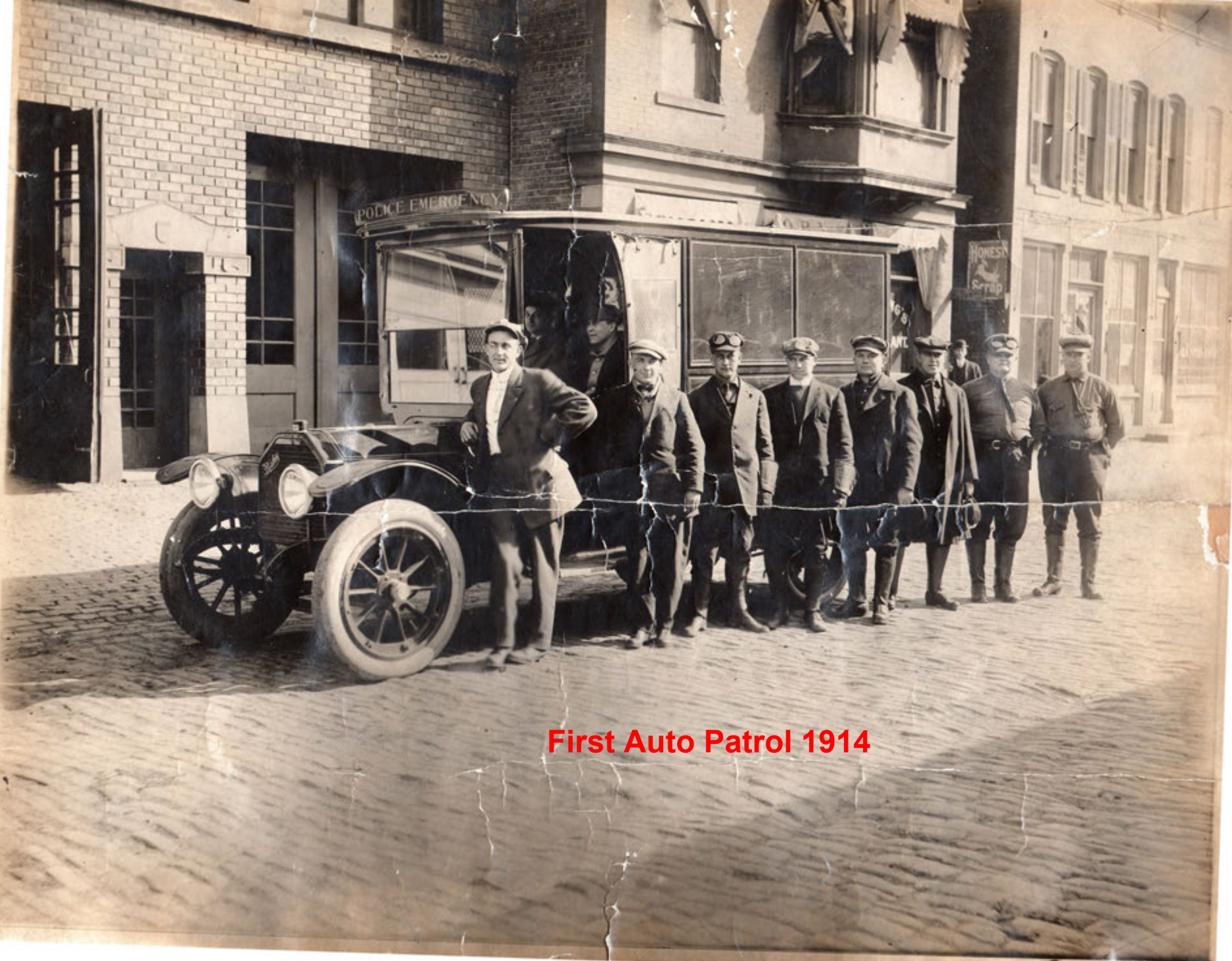
Police

Motor cycle Squad -



FINEST IN 1913. A group of Toledo police officers who were presented with honor medals May 24, 1913. Left to right, Detective Steve Quinn, Lieutenant Pat Sheehy, Captain Louis Tracy, Sergeant Frank Reilly, Patrolman William Culver, Patrolman William Carroll, Patrolman Fred Palkki, Patrolman Paul Fakehany and Patrolman Oscar Bruhl.





First Auto Patrol 1914

First auto panel taken in the Spring
of 1914

- # 1 Motor Sergeant Guy Gibbels ^{now Dead}
- # 2 Roy Dietz Instructor for auto. Co.
motor caps
- # 3 Paul Wisenberg ^{now} asst. Supt.
B of D. & R.
- # 4 Harry Jennings former Chief of
Police now on Pension
- # 5 William Schultz now Lieut. of Police
- # 6 Carl Hollinger ^{now Dead} detailed in Detective office
- # 7 Fred Palicki ^{Dead} Detective on Pension
- # 8 William Meyers Property Custodian
- # 9 & 10 Seated in auto Left to Right
Art Newhall deceased and Geo.
Huntington ^{on Pension} Lieut. Col. in
Bureau of Identification.
- ^{Edwin}
(mis)

Palicki Walter Fred

Born May 16 1883

Appointed Jan 1 1908 3-nights Police Training by older men

Base-pay " " " \$66.66 Per-Month No days off nor Vac.

Assigned " 4 " Beat by Chief Perry D Knapp

" March 1 1908 Motor Cycle duty

Promoted Dec 15 1914 Det-Sergeant

" Aug 1 1918 Det-Lieutenant

Retired March 1 1935 Served 27 yrs

Died Sept 29 1946 At 6,30 am in his home 1328 Hamilton st

Services were held in Gosiorowski Mortuay 840 Junction ave

And from St Anthony Church 9 am Oct 1 1946 Burial in Calvary Cemetery

Palicki, W. Z.

DIED - 9-29-9

Feb. 13th, 1935.

Mr. John A. Price,
Director, Public Safety.

Dear Sir:-

Walter Z. Pelicki, born Nov. 11th, 1895, was appointed patrolman Jan. 1, 1908, promoted to Detailed Detective Dec. 29th, 1913, reduced to patrolman Feb. 1st, 1914, and promoted to detailed detective Dec. 15th, 1914, and to a Regular Detective Aug. 1st, 1918.

He has not worked since January 11th, 1935.

Under date of Feb. 4, 1935, Dr. Ensign, Police Physician advises; "W. Pelicki, age 50; About five years ago, this officer found he had sugar diabetes and that his eyes were troubling him. This has progressively gotten worse until at present he has hemorrhages in both fundi and his sight is reduced to the point he cannot distinguish fingers at a distance of three feet. This will undoubtedly progress to complete blindness. He is unfit for any kind of police duty."

In view of the foregoing, would recommend that he be taken off the police payroll as of Feb. 28th, 1935, and placed upon the pension payroll as of March 1st, 1935.

Respectfully,

Chief of Police.

Cy/ Civil Service Commission.

Feb. 21st, 1935.

Mr. John A. Price,
Director, Public Safety.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to the attached relative to
Detective Walter Z. Palicki, who has not performed
any service since January 11th, 1935.

This detective is totally unfit for
any police work as he is nearly blind.

This man has served the required 25
years and is entitled to a full pension should he
apply.

Believe that this detective should be
honorably retired at once.

Respectfully,

Chief of Police.

February 25th, 1935.

Mr. Walter Z. Palicki,
Detective, Division of Police,
Toledo, Ohio.

Dear Sir:-

Due to your physical disability,
you will be honorably retired from the Division
of Police effective February 28th, 1935.

Your name will be removed from
the Division of Police payroll on that date.

Respectfully,

John A. Price

Director of Public Safety.

Cy/ Civil Service Commission
Chief Daniel T. Wolfe
Police Pension Board

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CITY OF TOLEDO
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Sub-Division of Police

JOHN A. PRICE,
Director

February 26th, 1935.

DANIEL T. WOLFE,
Chief of Police

Trustees, Pension Board,
Police Department.

Gentlemen:-

Kindly place my name on pension as of March 1st, 1935,
as I entered the service Jan. 1st, 1908, and have served continuously
since.

Respectfully,

Walter Palicki

--Detective--

TOLEDO POLICE DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF

C H I E F

SEPT. 29TH, 1946.

IT IS WITH DEEP REGRET THAT I ANNOUNCE THAT PENSIONER WALTER Z. (FRED) PALICKI DIED AT 6.30 THIS A.M.

WALTER PALICKI WAS APPOINTED PATROLMAN JAN. 1, 1908, SERGEANT-DETECTIVE DEC. 15, 1914, LIEUTENANT-DETECTIVE AUG. 1, 1918, AND WAS RETIRED MARCH 1, 1935, AND HE SERVED FAITHFULLY AND WELL AND WAS HELD IN HIGH ESTEEM BY HIS FELLOW WORKERS AND THE CITIZENS.

SERVICES: THURSDAY, OCT. 3RD, 1946, AT 8.30 A.M. AT S. GASIOROWSKI' FUNERAL HOME, 822 JUNCTION AVE., AND AT 9.00 A.M. AT ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH, JUNCTION & NEBRASKA.

BODY LIES IN STATE AT S. GASIOROWSKI'S FUNERAL HOME.

BURIAL AT CALVARY CEMETERY.

MOTORCYCLE DETAIL WILL ESCORT BODY FROM FUNERAL HOME, TO CHURCH, AND THEN TO CEMETERY.

PALLBEARERS:	ADAM DLUGEWICZ	JOHN BISKUPSKI
(IN CIVILIAN ATTIRE)	GEO. TININEY	VINCENT KWAPICH
	FRANK ORZECOWSKI	LEO KWAPICH

PALLBEARERS' CAR WILL LEAVE SAFETY BLDG. AT 8.00 A.M.

FLAGS AT ALL STATIONS WILL BE HALF-MAST UNTIL AFTER FUNERAL,

R. E. ALLEN
CHIEF OF POLICE.

APPROVED:
MAURICE J. MEYER
DIRECTOR, PUBLIC SAFETY.

NAME MOTOR COPS FOR SUB STATION; INCREASE FORCE

Mose McCloskey, who was shot two years ago in attempting to make an arrest, has been put in active service as a motor cop once more. His running mate will be Fred Palicki, who, with John Henahan and W. G. Tibbells, on Saturday began active service as motor cops.

The motorcycle station at No. 4 engine house will be open within the next 10 days. Motor Cops Brown, Henahan, Nachtrab and Tibbells will be stationed there.

"We will have two shifts of motor cops at the new station," said Chief Knapp Saturday. "Men will be on duty there from 3 o'clock in the afternoon until 7 o'clock the following morning.

"After a while, I hope to have men there during the day as well. The men at the sub-station will act under the orders of the lieutenant at the central station."

FATHER OF EIGHT IS RIVER VICTIM

The body of Fred Adkins, 48, gardener, of the Walbridge road, who has been missing from home since Wednesday, was found in the river at the west end of the Wheeling & Lake Erie railroad bridge Saturday afternoon.

Late Friday, Adkins' hat was found on the dock of the National Pole company. The body was recovered after Motor Cops Brown, Tibbels and Palicki had dragged the river for several hours. Relatives say that Adkins had been in poor health all winter and that he had been despondent. The widow and eight children survive.

HOLD BOYS AS BURGLARS

A 14-year-old boy, wanted by juvenile court officials on charges of burglarizing several stores, was arrested Saturday night with two companions by Motor Cops Fakehany and Palicki, on a charge of stealing a bicycle. One of the boy's companions, aged 16, was sent to the juvenile home. The other giving the name of Frank Robinson, 21, is held at the police station.

Banjo Pleads Cause of Musician Whom Cops Thought Was a Thief

The old man sat in a chair with his head bent low over a banjo, his legs crossed, the instrument held high on his chest. His fingers strummed listlessly over the strings, with no sign of harmony or time. The audience, Lieutenant Sheehy, Motor Cops Palieki and Fakehany, Turnkey Nohl and several other officers, began to snicker. They had caught a thief. Finally the old man raised his head. His body began swaying, his fingers took life, they struck the strings vigorously.

As the sound echoed and re-echoed through the corridors of the police station, a faint refrain stole forth from under the flying fingers; it was "Nearer, My God, to Thee."

The smile died off the listeners' faces. They were hearing music on a banjo that they had never heard

before. Without pausing the familiar tones of an Irish folk song rang forth from the instrument. Then some ragtime.

When the old man had finished there was not a sound. He had pleaded his cause, but not in words. He was cleared of all suspicion that he was a thief.

The man was arrested for safe-keeping early Tuesday morning by Motorcops Palieki and Fakehany. He had a banjo with him, and it was thought by the police that he had stolen the instrument. To prove it they requested him to play.



LONG AGO

WHAT A difference in styles, as well as personnel, a quarter of a century makes. Members of the Toledo detective bureau posed for this picture June 10, 1922. The cap for formal wear by well-dressed sleuth was on its way out, while the old bowler of the teen decade had disappeared. Left to right, in the top row, are Joseph Fruchey, now head of the bureau; Roy Havens, retired; Michael Rowan, Ernest Raitz, Joseph Swiatecki, Capt. William Carroll (deceased), William Julert (deceased), Fred Langhoff, Bernard Cummings, retired; James Ford, retired; John Mullen, Michael Daly (deceased). Center row, Capt. Fred Buck, retired; John Hodges (deceased), Edward Harris (deceased), William Culver (deceased), Dan Gavin (deceased), John Connors, retired; Stanley Kina, retired; Frank DeLora, Garnet Stevenson, Edward Eaton (deceased); Dick Martin (deceased); Capt. Ralph Van Vorce, retired. Seated,

John Henahan (deceased), William Herman (deceased), Capt. James O'Reilly, retired; Irving Brown (deceased), Albert Hassenzahl (deceased), John Hovey (deceased), Louis Kruse, retired; Stephen Quinn (deceased), Frank Peters (deceased), Charles Mavis, retired; Inspector William Delehanty, later chief of police (deceased); Bert Dobzeniecki (deceased), and Fred Palicki (deceased). Such bureau stalwarts as Capts. Mose McCloskey, Emmet Cairl, Edward Rock (deceased); Capts. Willard Rydman, retired, and George Timiney, now Lucas County sheriff; Inspector Louis Hass, former chief of police, and Arthur Langendorf were not available on that day long ago when this picture was snapped in front of the old police headquarters on Superior St. Only 9 of the 44 men then comprising the bureau are still active in Toledo police work.