

Our Thanks:

CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN EDDIE SIMON

CORRIDA!



Staff Article

Eddie Simon, Chairman of the 1974 National APCO Conference in San Diego, California is the Chief Communications Engineer for the City of San Diego Transportation-Communications and Electrical Division.

Chairman Simon is responsible for the planning and designing of all radio communications systems and maintenance for Fire, Police, General Services, Transportation, Water Utilities and other departments. He started work with the city in 1942 as a radio technician.

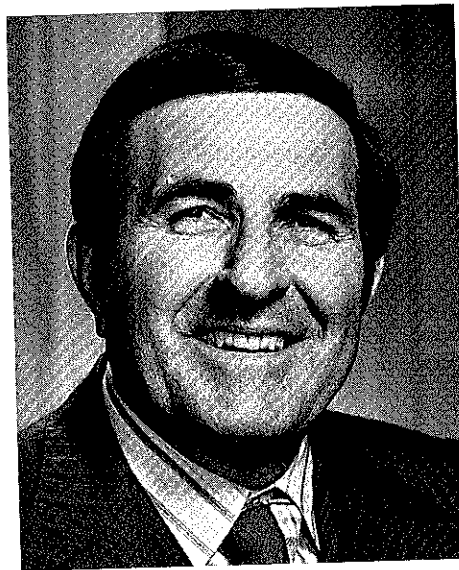
Eddie was given special recognition in 1971 at the National APCO Conference for successfully completing, as Project Five Director, the first APCO Public Safety Communications Standard Frequency Coordination Manual. He has twice served as President of the California Public-Safety Radio Association, Inc. Chapter of APCO.

Eddie and his wife Judy, both avid joggers, have a son and daughter and four grandchildren.

Judy was Chairwoman of the Ladies Activities Committee for the Conference and was instrumental in planning the many exciting events for the ladies attending the "CORRIDA".

Chairman Simon and his competent

Conference Committee put together and supervised one of the best APCO Conferences ever held. The Conference has set new records in attendance, number of exhibit booths sold and number of registered attendees. The Conference also provided innovative ideas with respect to the "CORRIDA" theme which tied together the Mexican-American heritage of Southern California and made it one of the most informative and socially enjoyable meetings in the history of the Association.



Chairman Simon

Chairman Simon expresses his appreciation to the following outstanding members of his Conference Committee:

Exhibit Committee Chairman, Donald Griffin, City of Pomona Communications Department, and Assistant Chairman, Dave Crockett, City of Torrance were responsible for selling 108 booths which, with the addition of six complimentary booths, made a new record total of 114 exhibits.

Finance Chairman, Robert Hively, County of San Diego Communications Division, did an admirable job of putting together the budget and assisting in other committees whenever needed.

Program Chairman, Sam Lane, Public Safety Systems Inc., did a superior job of arranging the Conference agenda. The quality number of papers presented covered the many phases of public safety communications systems and exceeded all expectations.

Publicity Chairman, Captain Ken Fortier and Assistant Chairman, Bill Mockler, both of the San Diego Police Department, provided the Conference with tremendous coverage in the media. Approximately fifty-five different professional journals and magazines were fed news releases. The various articles in the APCO Bulletin were well prepared and presented with appropriate photographs.

Registration Chairman, Robert Gordon, Kern County, and Brownie Spanovich, Assistant Chairman, City of Pasadena, were responsible for the pre-registration of a record number of applications. Brownie's wife, Jean, deserves special recognition for the many hard hours she worked both before and during the Conference.

Security Chairman, Captain L.F. Joslin, San Diego Police Department, Assistant Chairman Roy Williams, San Diego County Sheriff's Office, and Lt. Chuck Ellison, San Diego Police Department set up a security system which provided adequate protection of the exhibit booths and other areas of the Conference. These men also assisted other committees whenever called upon.

Entertainment Chairman, Battalion Chief Dave Benson, San Diego Fire Department arranged a fabulous program which received many comments of ap-

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preciation from the ladies and gentlemen attending the Conference.

General Arrangements Chairman John Boyle, and Assistant Chairman Dan Walchko, both with the City of San Diego Transportation - Communications and Electrical Division, were instrumental in making sure that such things as meal functions and transportation for tours went smoothly. They also arranged for the necessary facilities required for meetings, etc.

Chairman Simon expresses many thanks to the beautiful Conference hostesses, Peggy Corpis, Mary Kay Taylor, Elizabeth Engh, and Lucy Fromwiller. These girls were most charming as they assisted registrants and welcomed them with a carnation and a smile.

Thanks also go to the two handsome and capable hosts, Jerry Campbell and Pete Morrison, who greeted attendees and kept order in the business meetings.

MANAPCO Chairman, Ciaran B. Kennedy, Kennedy Engineering Company, Assistant Chairman Tom Baker, Phelps Dodge Corporation, John Crow, General Electric Company, Gus Poulin, R.C.A. Corporation, and Ian Colquhoun, Motorola Corporation arranged the lovely

MANAPCO Poolside Fiesta. The entertaining and most enjoyable evening will long be remembered.

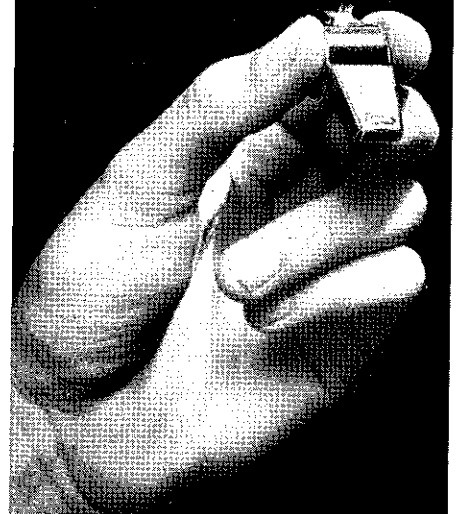
Ciaran and John Boyle, General Arrangement Chairman, also assisted in a myriad of other duties.

The Conference Committee expresses appreciation to the General Electric Company for again assuming the task of printing the beautiful Conference programs.

Many thanks go to Motorola Communications and Electronics, Inc. for providing the radio pocket pager system, to Shure Brothers, Inc. for providing a sound system for every occasion, and to the San Diego Conference and Visitors Bureau whose staff were top notch registration specialists.

Eddie and his Committee were happy to have the opportunity of putting on the Conference in San Diego and wish to extend a helping hand to the next Conference Chairman, Bob Myers, who is expecting an even bigger and better affair in Washington, D.C. Ω

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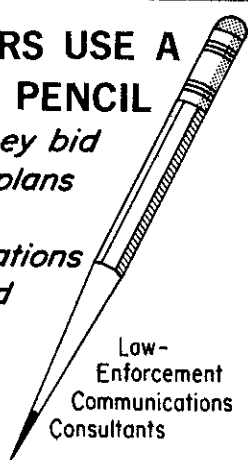
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