

once you have accessed an outside line (a lot of companies now limit all outside lines to local calls only), the “nine-zero-pound” scam does not affect you either.

The “nine-zero-pound” story only affects those businesses that require you to dial 9 to get an outside line and then place no restrictions on who or where you can call once you get that outside line.

Supt. John Religa (Rtd.)



MEMORIES

Dear Editor,

I was looking through some old papers and found a copy of the July 1970 issue of *the Quarterly*. On page 10 there is an article entitled “Apologies Accepted.” I can remember this incident.

I was stationed at 100 Mile House Highway Patrol at the time and was working with Cst. Derrick O'Donnell (sic) of Ashcroft Highway Patrol. We had been assigned to work at the Clinton Rodeo and May Ball. We had some time to kill so we decided that we should make it profitable. This gentleman was one of the people that we stopped.

S/Sgt. Steve Melanson (Rtd.)
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(The article S/Sgt. Melanson refers to, written anonymously, is reprinted below for our readers. As mentioned, the article appeared in the July 1970 issue of the Quarterly [Vol. 36, No. 1]. — Editor)

APOLOGIES ACCEPTED

On Friday, May 23, 1969, I was on my way to Lac La Hache, B.C., on a business trip. As I had just purchased a 1969 Plymouth, I decided to take my family with me.

About 20 miles north of Clinton I was stopped by two RCMP officers and informed I had exceeded the posted 60 mile-per-hour speed limit by 14 miles per hour. I mentioned to the officers my

speedometer was between 60 and 65, and when they insisted I was clocked at 74, I unleashed a verbal abusive attack on both.

On my return to Vancouver, I immediately took my car to the selling dealer to have the speedometer checked. To my dismay we found when my speedometer was reading 60 mph, the actual speed of the vehicle was 69. The selling dealer has corrected the speedometer error on my warranty and although he was very sympathetic that I had unknowingly violated the posted speed limit, he was certainly not prepared to assist in any fine. If you will advise me the cost of this offence I will submit a certified cheque for the amount in the return mail.

If you could extend my personal apologies to the two police officers involved, I would be extremely appreciative. I would like to point out that in these times a police officer seems to be a target of criticism from too many members of our present day society.

These two officers are to be commended on their patience and understanding plus the gentlemanly conduct they showed while I was so busy flapping my big mouth.



LOOKING FOR MEMBERS

Dear Editor,

I am looking for any RCMP members who were stationed in Kingston, Nova Scotia and the surrounding area between the months of April and July 1973. If anyone knows of any members stationed in this area at that time, please write for more information to the address below. Any information would be greatly appreciated.

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