

# Marine Cpl. Duane Vogel Honored Posthumously

At the same moment that Sheboygan's fourth Vietnam casualty was being buried in Calvary Cemetery Wednesday morning, the parents of another Sheboygan marine who died in Vietnam last December were presented a posthumous award in behalf of their son.

At a short, 10-minute ceremony in front of City Hall, the parents of Marine Cpl. Duane A. Vogel were presented the Navy and Marine Corps Medal, the highest award given by the Marines in time of official peace.

Cpl. Vogel drowned last December in a rain-swollen river near Da Nang, while attempting to rescue a fellow Marine.

The presentation to Mr. and Mrs. Reuben A. Vogel, 1543 N. 19th St., was made by Marine Capt. M. E. Brown, of Sub Unit No 1, MARTC, Green Bay.

Sheboygan Mayor Joseph R.

Browne read the citation from Secretary of the Navy Robert Baldwin.

The citation read in part: "During Operation SIERRA, Corporal Vogel and his squad were sent out on a reconnaissance patrol to search a route to high ground for the battalion.

"While attempting to find a crossing over flooded rice paddies which had turned into streams due to the heavy rainfall, one of the squad members was swept away in the overflowing torrential rain swollen stream.

"Unhesitatingly and with complete disregard for his own safety, Cpl. Vogel plunged into the stream in an attempt to rescue his comrade, but was caught in the strong current and also swept away.

"Cpl. Vogel's unselfish action and valiant efforts to save the life of another Marine . . . was in keeping with

the highest traditions of the Marine Corps.

"He gallantly gave his life for his country."

Among the small crowd attending the ceremony were the late Cpl. Vogel's two sisters, Gloria, 15, and Nadine, 11, his brother, Jeffrey, 7, and Marine Cpl. Larry Schneider who called Cpl. Vogel "my best friend."

Schneider, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Schneider of 2016 N. 18th St., is home on leave following a tour of duty in Vietnam.

At Calvary Cemetery, the body of Marine Sgt. Arleigh Felch, 23, who died Aug. 6 in a military hospital at Da Nang, was buried with full military rites.

Sgt. Felch, the husband of Mrs. Nancy Jean Felch, 1802 N. 9th St., and a son of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Felch, 612 Pennsylvania Ave., was hit by enemy rifle fire two days earlier.

## Wisconsin's Health . . .

### Rabies: How To Prevent It

By E. H. JORRIS M.D., State Health Officer

Some readers will remember how the scorching hot part of summer was dreaded because it marked the coming of "dog days" and, it was thought, the accompanying danger of rabies. Many knew rabies only by the name "hydrophobia."

Rabies is still with us. Today we know that cases of rabies are not linked to the hot summer months; they are reported at all seasons of the year. Rabies continues to be one of the most dreaded of all animal diseases that may be contracted by man. The last death in Wisconsin from rabies was in 1959 when a man died after being bitten by a rabid bat.

Rabies is a fatal disease of wild and domesticated warm blooded animals. It is caused by a virus that may be present in the saliva of an infected animal. When a rabid animal bites another animal or person the virus can enter the victim's body and cause infection.

In Wisconsin the State Laboratory of Hygiene confirms cases of rabies in animals. Dogs, skunks, cattle, bats, and cats constitute the top five in the list of possibly infected animals. Confirmed cases of rabies have also been found in the fox, horse, monkey, sheep, raccoon, pig, squirrel, hamster, and groundhog.

There is no easy way to recognize a rabid animal. Abnormal behavior is frequently the first sign of rabies in an animal. Skunks and other wild animals often lose their fear of humans and may actually follow and attack people, pets, or domestic animals. Sometimes an animal experiences a paralysis that

makes it seem more docile. Bewary of the friendly skunk or other wild animal. Sometimes animals become vicious when rabid.

Because rabies is nearly always fatal if allowed to develop, every measure possible should be taken to control or prevent the disease. When an animal shows abnormal behavior, do not touch it. Confine it in a room or pen, if possible, and call a veterinarian. If circumstances make it necessary to destroy the animal, do so without damaging the head. The brain is examined in the laboratory to make a definite diagnosis of rabies. Consult a veterinarian if you destroy an animal you suspect is rabid.

Pet dogs and cats should be vaccinated against rabies. The vaccine is readily available.

People contract rabies most frequently by being bitten by a rabid animal but it is possible to be infected in other ways. A child who handles a rabid animal and then puts his finger in his mouth can acquire the virus. Effective protection against developing the disease is available and the effectiveness of preventive treatment is greater the earlier it is begun after exposure to rabies. The wise procedure is to see a physician immediately and follow his advice.

Special circular 94 of the Extension Services of the College of Agriculture of the University of Wisconsin is entitled "Rabies in Animals" and may be obtained from your county agent or by writing to the Extension Service at Madison.

Schroeder Gets New Assignment

MADISON (Special) — Assemblyman Frederick C. Schroeder (R-West Bend) Wednesday was appointed to the Legislature's Joint Committee to Visit State Properties by Assembly Speaker Harold Froehlich (R-Appleton). Schroeder is also a member of three other Assembly committees — agriculture, printing, and commerce and manufacturing.



THE NAVY AND MARINE CORPS MEDAL was posthumously awarded to Marine Cpl. Duane A. Vogel, 19, a Sheboygan man who died in Vietnam last December. Accepting the award at a ceremony outside City Hall Wednesday were the late Cpl. Vogel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Vogel, 1543 N. 19th St. In the background is his brother, Jeffrey, 7. — (Sheboygan Press Photo)

## Stillwell Enters Race For Assembly Seat

Edward J. (Jerry) Stillwell, chairman of the Sheboygan County and Sixth District Democratic parties, today became the second candidate to formally announce intentions of seeking the City of Sheboygan seat in the State Assembly.

Stillwell, 30, is employed in the purchasing department at the Kohler Co.

He was a Sheboygan County Board Supervisor from 1964 to 1965, resigning when he moved from the 25th Ward.

The youngest man — at 27 — to ever serve on the board, he was secretary of its health committee.

Gov. Warren P. Knowles called the special Assembly election for Oct. 10 this week, setting Aug. 25 as the final date for filing nomination papers for the post vacated last Friday by Kenneth L. Kunde, after being sworn in as Sheboygan postmaster.

A primary will be held Sept. 12.

Stillwell, who was a political



Edward J. Stillwell

## Van Ermen To Ask For Clemency

A 41-year-old Sheboygan man sentenced to life imprisonment for first degree murder in 1961 will make his second bid for executive clemency in October.

Robert C. Van Ermen has published his intent to seek clemency from his conviction of the bludgeoning slaying of Mrs. Florence Bruss, a 63-year-old widow on March 7, 1961.

Van Ermen was found guilty of her death five months later, and on Aug. 22, 1961, was sentenced by Circuit Judge F. H. Schlichting to life imprisonment at Waupun State Prison.

It will be his second bid for freedom on executive clemency. Gov. Warren P. Knowles rejected his first attempt last January.

Van Ermen also lost an at-

tempt to obtain a new trial early in 1966 when the Wisconsin State Supreme Court denied his petition for a writ of habeas corpus.

The Waupun inmate is eligible for parole after serving 11 1/2 years of his sentence. He will have completed six years of his term next Tuesday.

## Cyclist Charged After Accident, 22-Foot 'Flight'

A motorcyclist, thrown 22 feet after his cycle collided with a car at N. 11th Street and Huron Avenue at 6:40 p.m. Wednesday escaped with a forehead laceration.

Michael H. Hecker, 23, 916 Union Ave., was treated at St. Nicholas Hospital after his cycle struck the side of a car driven by Mrs. Robert (Anna Mae) Wirtz, 42, of 1316 St. Clair Ave.

Hecker, who was hurled off his cycle, struck the windshield and broke off the aerial on the Wirtz car, and then landed on the pavement 22 feet away. He was charged with failure to yield the right of way.

science major at the University of Wisconsin, has been active for several years within the Democratic party, heading the County Young Democrats in 1960.

He was a delegate to the 1960 Y-Dem State Convention, and to the senior party's state convention this year.

He also served as precinct committeeman in the 25th Ward in 1962-63.

Stillwell was an unsuccessful candidate for register of deeds last year in his first bid for public office. He lost to the veteran GOP incumbent, Ben W. Diederich, by fewer than 3,000 votes out of over 31,000 cast in the election.

A native of Sheboygan and 1956 graduate of Central High School, Stillwell received an honorable discharge from the U.S. Army Reserve in May, 1966.

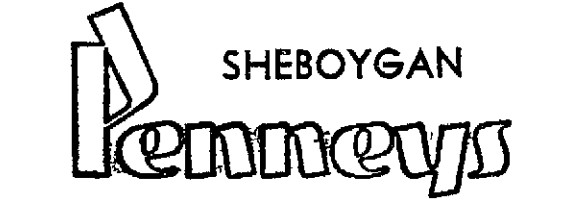
He had served for six years with Co. B, First Battalion, 334th Regiment (BCT), where he was a senior company instructor and the noncommissioned officer in charge of recruit training.

He and his wife, Joni, reside at 2614 Saemann Ave.

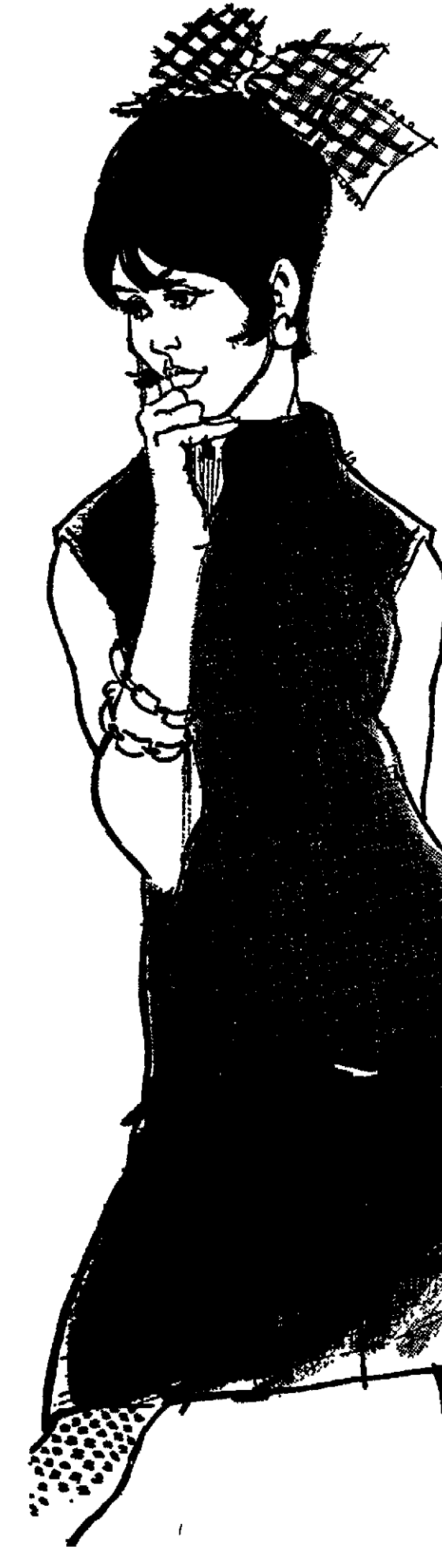
His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stillwell, 1534 St. Clair Ave.

## 'Hot-Rod' Stolen

Vernon Fischer of 2215 Henry St., reported a child's red and white 4-wheeled hot-rod, valued at \$16, stolen Wednesday from the garage at the rear of the home.



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