



Chief John J. Mulqueen



Chief John "Jack" Mulqueen was a member of the United States Marine Corp serving with the Sixth Marines during World War I. He was among the first group of Patrolmen to join the Glen Rock Police Department during the 1920's, being appointed under the command of Glen Rock's first Police Chief James Houlihan on February 1st, 1929. He passed away while on active duty on April 8th, 1958.

His obituary in the April 9th, 1958 edition of the Bergen Evening Record described Chief Mulqueen as: *"Genial, kindly and competent, Jack, as he was known to everybody, had come up through the ranks to reach, by merit, the highest post in the force."* He joined the GRPD when it was a very small organization with six members who operated pretty much without the benefit of modern equipment or training. All relied on the training they received when serving with the US Armed Forces.

During his service with the GRPD Chief Mulqueen learned a great deal about police methods from hands on training, taking courses at newly emerging police training venues and reading. He was promoted to Sergeant on March 26th, 1946, to Captain on November 1, 1952 and was promoted to Chief of Police on January 1, 1953 following the passing of Chief Samuel J. Park.

By the time of Chief Mulqueen's passing the Glen Rock Police Department had grown to twenty two members with a full time Detective Bureau. The department had a two way radio dispatch system and officers were regularly attending formal training programs conducted by the FBI, State of New Jersey and Bergen County.



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