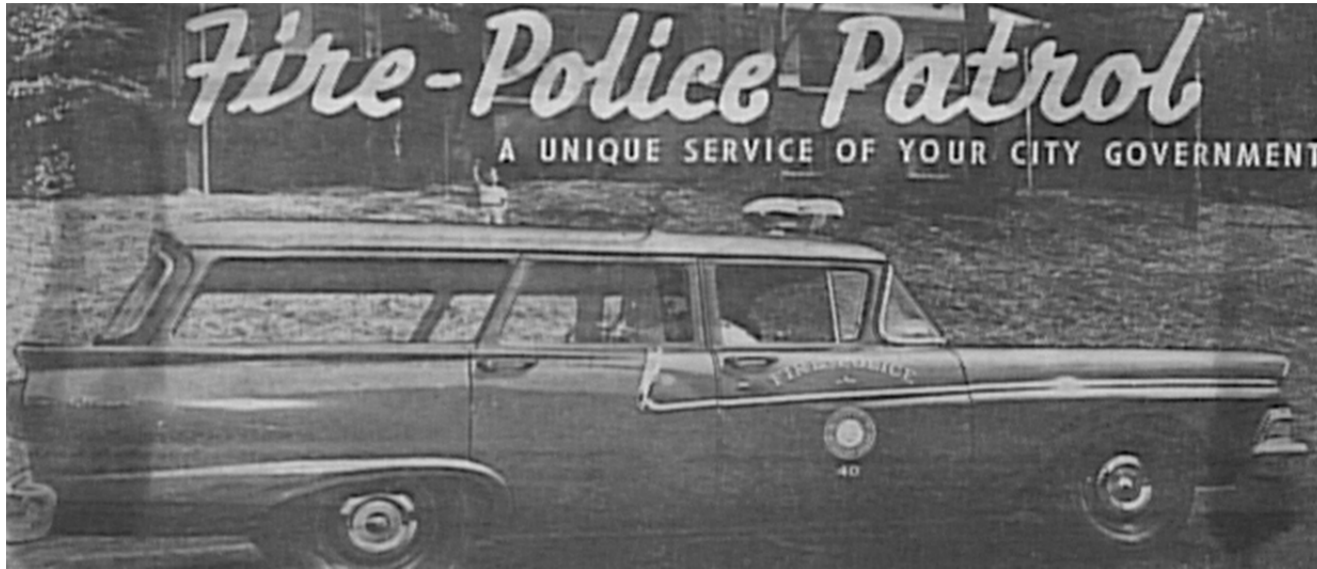


Fire-Police Patrol



A 1957 Chevrolet wagon, equipped with both police and fire radios and equipment, and two cross-trained men began patrol in the western section of the city.

Initially working out of Engine 7 on Country Club Rd, they switched to Engine 8 in 1958 when that station was completed. The program met with much success and was soon expanded to two vehicles serving the area bound by Stratford Rd and Wake Forest.

A January 21, 1958 newspaper article terms the first four months of fire-police "completely satisfactory by Fire Chief E.M. Dixon." One week later police were investigating the theft of the fire-police wagon that had been left outside No. 8 Fire Station with keys in the ignition. It was discovered in a lake on Old Town Golf Course.