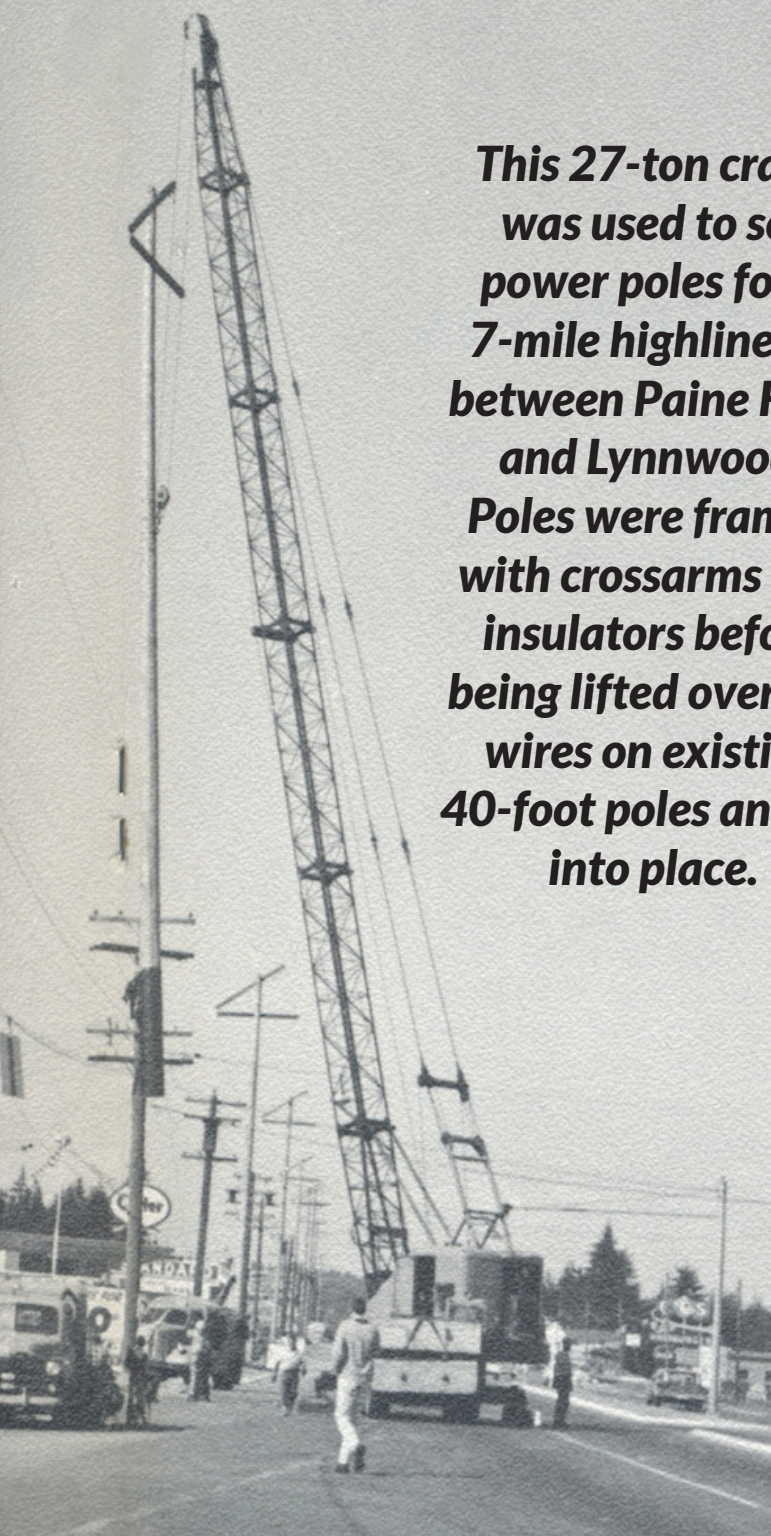




Efficiency in line construction and maintenance have always been vital to your PUD. These pages highlight the vehicles that made jobs easier for planners and line workers of the 1960s.

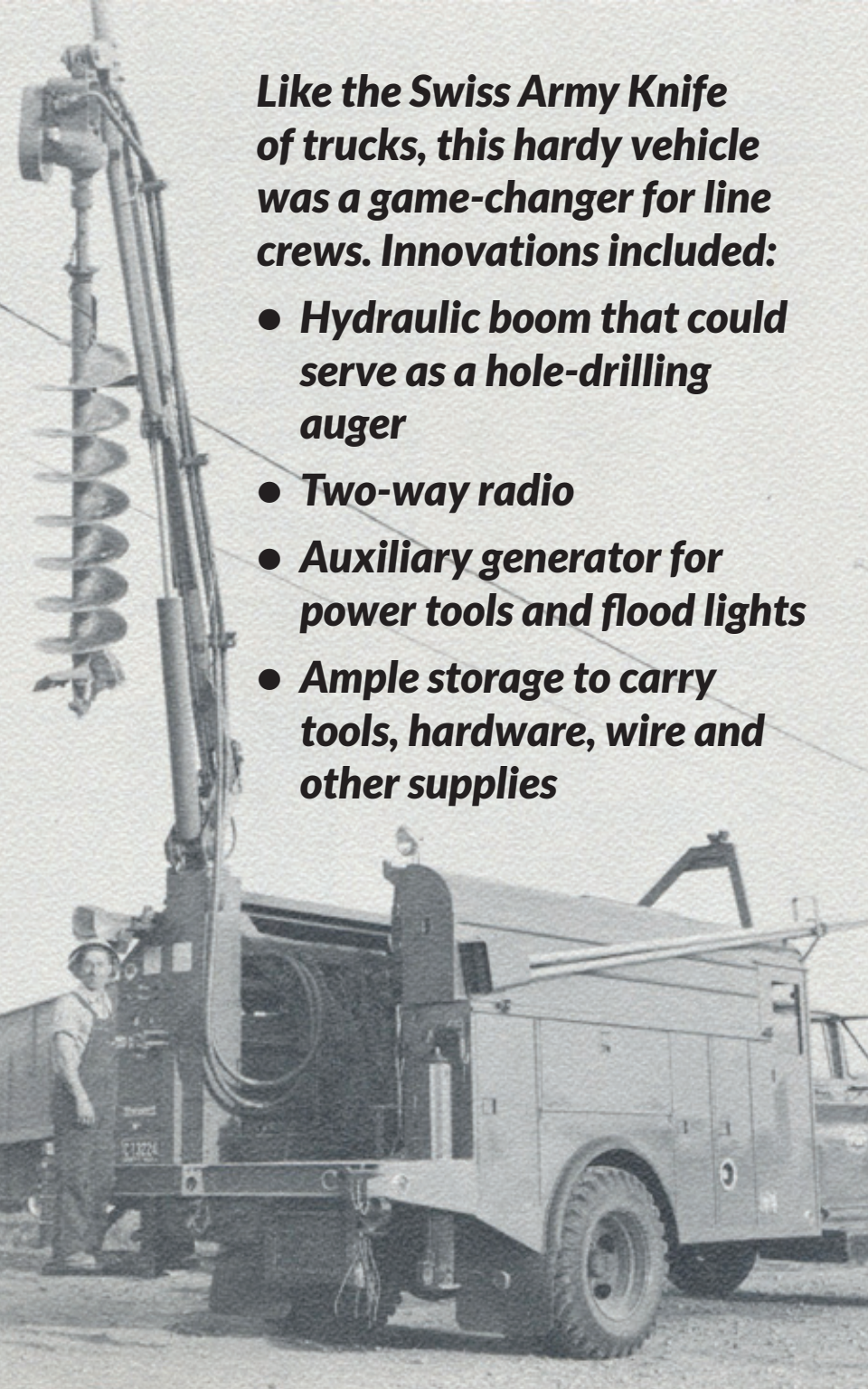
Take note that back in the vibrant mid-century, PUD trucks were red!

This 27-ton crane was used to set power poles for a 7-mile highline tie between Paine Field and Lynnwood. Poles were framed with crossarms and insulators before being lifted over live wires on existing 40-foot poles and set into place.





Used for line work and the tree trimming that was (and is!) vital to reliability, this bucket truck had a maximum reach of 48 feet. Workers operated the hydraulic lift with hand controls from the bucket. When used in tree trimming, this truck often rolled with a chipper and dump truck.



Like the Swiss Army Knife of trucks, this hardy vehicle was a game-changer for line crews. Innovations included:

- **Hydraulic boom that could serve as a hole-drilling auger**
- **Two-way radio**
- **Auxiliary generator for power tools and flood lights**
- **Ample storage to carry tools, hardware, wire and other supplies**