

WHEN THE BOYS ON A SPREE WERE DRINKING IT FREE  
IN THE MALEMUTE SALOON,  
AND DAN MCGREW AND HIS DANGEROUS CREW  
SHOT GRAP WITH THE PIE-BALD GON.

WHEN THE KID ON HIS STOOL BANGED AWAY LIKE A  
FOOL

AT A RAG-TIME MELODY  
AND THE BARKEEPER VOTED TO THE HARD-BOILED  
CROWD  
THAT HE'D CREMATE SAM MCGEE.

THEN JACOB CAIME, WHO HAD TAKEN THE NAME  
OF YUKON JAKE THE KILLER,  
WOULD TAKE THE DIVE WITH HIS FORTY FIVE  
'TIL THE ATMOSPHERE GREW CHILLER.

WITH A SHARP COMMAND, HE WOULD MAKE 'EM STAND  
AND DELIVER THEIR HARD-EARNED DUST,  
THEN DRINK THE BAR DRY OF RUM AND RYE  
AS A YUKON BULLY MUST.

WITHOUT COMING TO BLOWS HE WOULD TWEEK THE  
NOSE  
OF DANGEROUS DAN MCGREW,  
THEN BECOMING BOLDER, THROW OVER HIS SHOULDER  
THE LADY THAT'S KNOWN AS LOU.

OH, TOUGH AS A STEAK WAS YUKON JAKE,  
HARD-BOILED AS A PICNIC EGG.  
HE WASHED HIS SHIRT IN YUKON DIRT  
AND DRANK HIS RUM BY THE KEG.

IN FEAR OF THEIR LIVES, OR BECAUSE OF THEIR  
WIVES,  
HE WAS SHUNNED BY THE BEST OF HIS PALS  
AN OUTCAST HE, FROM THE CAMERADERIE  
OF ALL BUT WILD ANIMALS.

SO HE BOUGHT HIM THE WHOLE OF SHARK-TOOTH SHOAL  
A REEF IN THE BERING SEA  
WHERE HE LIVED BY HIMSELF ON A SEA-LINED SHEEP  
IN LONELY INIQUITY.

BUT FAR AWAY, IN KEOKUK,  
DID A RUINED MAIDEN FIGHT  
TO REMOVE THE SMIRCH FROM THE BAPTIST CHURCH  
BY BRINGING THE HEATHEN LIGHT.

AND THE ELDERS DECLARED THAT ALL WOULD BE  
SQUARED  
IF SHE CARRIED THE HOLY WORDS  
FROM HER KEOKUK HOME TO THE HELL-TOWN NOME,  
TO SAVE THOSE SINFUL BIRDS.

SO TWO WEEKS LATER SHE TOOK A FREIGHTER  
FOR THE GOLD-CURSED LAND NEAR THE POLE.  
BUT HEAVEN AIN'T MADE FOR A LASS THAT'S BE-  
TRAYED -  
SHE WAS WRECKED ON SHARK-TOOTH SHOAL.

ALL HANDS WERE TOSSED IN THE SEA AND LOST  
ALL BUT THE MAIDEN RUTH,  
WHO SWAM TO THE EDGE OF THE SEA LION'S LEDGE  
WHERE ABOODE THE LOVE OF HER YOUTH.

HE WAS HUNTING SEAL FOR HIS EVENING MEAL,  
HE FLUNG A MEAN HARPOON,  
WHEN HE SAW AT HIS FEET, NOT SOMETHING TO EAT,  
BUT A GIRL IN A FROZEN SWOON.

WERE YOU AMONG THOSE PRESENT TO SEE "THE  
WEDDING"? - IF NOT, FOR YOUR INFORMATION---THE  
CHARACTERS AND FACTS ARE:

LEADING LADY: VERA JAGIELSKI  
CONTRACT & SERVICE BRANCH

LEADING MAN: RUSTY GRIMES  
U. S. ENGINEERS

SUPPORTING ROLES: JEANETTE DE DESROCHERS  
JOHN HUMLEY

TIME: JANUARY 24, 1943  
12:30 P. M.

A CUTE ONE ON VERA THOUGH---RIGHT AFTER THE  
CEREMONY RUSTY WAS ASKING A FEW FRIENDS TO DROP  
BY HOME WITH THEM, AND WHEN HE TURNED TO VERA  
TO SEE IF HE HAD HER OKEH, SHE ASKED: "WHICH  
HOME, YOURS OR MINE?" THEN SHE CLAMPED HER  
HAND OVER HER MOUTH AND SAID: "OH! I FORGOT.  
THERE IS ONLY ONE HOME FOR THE TWO OF US NOW."  
SAID RUSTY: "--AND DON'T FORGET IT!"

WHOM HE DRAGGED TO HIS LAIR BY HER FROZEN HAIR  
AND RUBBED HER KNEES WITH GIN.  
TO HIS GREAT SURPRISE SHE OPENED HER EYES  
AND REVEALED HIS ORIGINAL SIN.

HIS EIGHT MONTHS BEARD GREW STIFF AND WEIRD  
'TIL IT GLOWED LIKE A TECLA PEARL  
AND HER BRIGHT HAIR FELL LIKE A FLAME FROM HELL,  
DOWN THE BACK OF THE GRATEFUL GIRL.

OH, A HOPELESS RAKE WAS YUKON JAKE,  
THE HERMIT OF SHARK-TOOTH SHOAL,  
AND THE TRUSTING MAID, HE RE-BETRAYED  
AND WRECKED HER IMMORTAL SOUL.

THEN HE ROWED HER ASHORE WITH A BROKEN OAR  
AND HE SOLD HER TO DAN MCGREW  
FOR A HUSKY DOG, WITH SOME HOT EGG-NOG,  
AS NASCALS ARE WONT TO DO.

NOW RUTHLESS RUTH IS A MAID UNCOUTH,  
WITH SCARLET CHEEKS AND LIPS,  
SHE SINGS ROUGH SONGS FOR THE DRUNKEN THRONGS  
THAT COME FROM THE SEALING SHIPS.

FOR A ROUGE-STAINED KISS FROM THIS INFAMOUS  
MISS,  
THEY WILL GIVE A SEAL'S RICH FUR,  
OR PERHAPS A SABLE IF THEY ARE ABLE,  
IT IS MUCH THE SAME TO HER.

OH, THE NORTH COUNTRY IS A HARD COUNTRY,  
THAT MOTHERS A BLOODY BROOD,  
AND HER IGY ARMS HOLD HIDDEN CHARMS  
FOR THE GREEDY, THE SINFUL, THE LEWD.

AND STRONG MEN RUST FOR THE GOLD AND THE LUST  
THAT SEAR THE NORTHLANDS SOUL  
BUT THE WICKEDEST-BORN, FROM THE POLE TO THE  
HORN,  
IS THE HERMIT OF SHARK-TOOTH SHOAL.

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## JOE TIPPETS RETURNS

### EXCHANGES IMPRESSIONS WITH RO

WHEN THE MORRISON-KNUDSEN PLANE, WITH ITS SIX PASSENGERS, WAS LOST ON JANUARY 5TH WE WERE ALL  
CONCERNED. WHEN THE PLANE HAD BEEN MISSING FOR DAYS OUR CONCERN CHANGED TO ANXIETY. FROM DAY  
TO DAY WE EXPECTED THE SEARCHING PARTIES TO FIND THE PLANE AND ITS SURVIVORS.

AFTER WEEKS HAD PASSED WE GRADUALLY GREW DISCOURAGED AND HOPELESS AND FELT THAT NEVER AGAIN  
WOULD WE SEE OUR LOST FRIENDS AND ACQUAINTANCES.

WE ALL REMEMBER THE ALMOST INCREDULOUS JOY AND AMAZEMENT WE EXPERIENCED ON FEBRUARY 3RD UPON  
HEARING THAT TWO OF THE SURVIVORS HAD BEEN FOUND, ALIVE, AFTER A MONTH OF PRIVATION AND SUFFERING.

THE FACT THAT EVEN FOUR OUT OF SIX OF THE PASSENGERS OF THE LLL-FATED PLANE SURVIVED THAT  
LONG MISERABLE MONTH ALMOST TAXES OUR IMAGINATIONS, AND PROVES INDEED THAT FAITH AND HOPE AND  
COURAGE AND ENDURANCE HAVE TANGIBLE REWARDS.

THE AGE OF MIRACLES IS NOT PAST! WE ARE ALL EXULTING THAT WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO READ  
THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE - WORDS WHICH SOME OF US EXPECTED NEVER TO HEAR AGAIN - FROM OUR GOOD  
FRIEND AND CO-WORKER, JOSEPH H. TIPPETS.

-- MARSHALL C. HOPPIN

WORDS CANNOT EXPRESS THE HAPPINESS THAT HAS BEEN BROUGHT INTO THE LIVES OF THE MEN AND FAMI-  
LIES OF THOSE OF US WHO WERE SAVED FROM THE AIRPLANE CRASH ON JANUARY 5TH.

I PERSONALLY WISH TO THANK OUR MANY FRIENDS IN THE CAA IN ALASKA FOR THEIR FAITH AND PRAYERS  
IN OUR BEHALF DURING THE MONTH WHICH WE WERE OUT OF COMMUNICATION WITH THE OUTSIDE WORLD. EACH

## EIGHTH REGION WELCOMES WASHINGTON VISITORS

THE REGIONAL OFFICE HAS BEEN INFORMED BY  
WASHINGTON THAT WE WILL HAVE THE PLEASURE FOR  
SEVERAL WEEKS OR MORE OF THE PRESENCE OF THE  
"BULL-OF-THE-WOODS", CHRIS LUMPLE, CHIEF OF THE  
AIRWAYS ENGINEERING DIVISION, AND "SQUEAKY"  
E. L. SMITH, CHIEF OF THE SIGNALS BRANCH, HERE  
IN OUR REGION ON A TOUR OF INSPECTION AND GEN-  
ERAL HELPFULNESS.

IT WILL BE A PLEASURE TO GREET THE BOYS FROM  
WASHINGTON AND WE FEEL THEY WILL BE SURPRISED  
WITH THE DEVELOPMENT AND ACTIVITY NOW BEING  
CARRIED ON BY ALL OF US.

MARSHALL C. HOPPIN,  
REGIONAL MANAGER

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AND EVERYONE OF YOU PERSONALLY WILL NEVER KNOW  
HOW WONDERFUL IT IS TO AGAIN SEE YOUR SMILES  
AND HEAR YOU SPEAK AND TO SEE YOU IN YOUR DAILY  
WALKS OF LIFE. THESE THINGS CEASED TO BE REAL-  
ITIES AND BECAME VAGUE DREAMS. AT MANY TIMES  
IT LOOKED VERY DOUBTFUL IF WE WOULD EVER HAVE  
THE PRIVILEGE TO MEET AGAIN.

MISS BATZER, WHO WAS TO JOIN OUR ANCHORAGE  
STAFF, WAS TRULY ONE WHO WOULD HAVE MAGNIFIED  
THE CAA'S PERSONNEL COMPLEMENT IN ALASKA. HER  
LOSS IS TRAGIC AND AMONG OTHER THINGS WILL DE-  
PRIVE THE OFFICE FORCE FROM HAVING THE PRIVI-  
LEGE OF HAVING HAD A PERSONAL CONTACT WITH HER.

AMONG OTHER SLOGANS AND RESOLUTIONS THAT  
THIS EPISODE HAS CAUSED ME TO MAKE, MY ADVICE  
TO ALL IS TO "NEVER PASS UP FOOD REGARDLESS OF  
HOW OLD OR HOW SPOILED OR HOW IT MIGHT BE".  
MOST OF YOU WILL PROBABLY SAY THAT I HAVE AL-  
WAYS EATEN ANY AND ALL FOOD THAT I COULD GET A  
HOLD OF (MORE TRUTH THAN POETRY).

IT HAS BEEN A PRIVILEGE AND A PLEASURE TO  
WORK WITH SO MANY FINE PEOPLE AS ARE FOUND IN  
OUR ORGANIZATION HERE IN ALASKA. CONTINUED  
SUCCESS TO ONE AND ALL AND LOOKING FORWARD TO A  
BIGGER AND BETTER CAA IN THE FUTURE.

-- JOSEPH H. TIPPETS

## LOUISE MCATEE LEAVES FOR SOUTH

LOUISE MCATEE, ONE OF THE "PERSONNEL-ITY" GIRLS, IS LEAVING IN THE NEAR FUTURE FOR THE BOONY STATE OF KENTUCKY, WHERE HER HUSBAND IS BEING TRANSFERRED. WHEN INTERVIEWED ABOUT HER COMING TRIP, LOUISE STATED SHE WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO THE TIME WHEN SHE COULD ONCE MORE GO SHOEFOOTED (AND WITH SHOE RATIONING WHAT IT IS HER HOPES WILL PROBABLY BE REALIZED.)

## GRAIFF - PRESCOTT

LOUISE GRAIFF SAID "I DO" TO BOB PRESCOTT OF THE ARMY ENGINEERS ON FEBRUARY 7TH. JEAN HAMRE, ALSO OF PERSONNEL, HELPED IN THE CEREMONY. A FEW DAYS LATER JEAN WAS HOSTESS AT A SURPRISE KITCHEN SHOWER FOR LOUISE, WITH GIRLS FROM PERSONNEL AND THE DEPOT AS GUESTS.

NEW FACES IN  
PERSONNEL OFFICE

THERE ARE FOUR NEW, SPARKLING ADDITIONS TO THE "PERSONNEL-ITY" DEPARTMENT. FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE FELLOWS IN THE CAA A BRIEF BIOGRAPHY OF EACH GIRL FOLLOWS: JEANNEL SAUNDERS (MARRIED), ELAINE TRIDENBURG (ENGAGED), CLARA BRUCE (MARRIED), ROSE GRIMES (SINGLE AND ELIGIBLE). FOR FURTHER INFORMATION COME TO ROOM 218.

## PERINA TO VISIT WASHINGTON

GEORGE PERINA IS LEAVING US SOON FOR WASHINGTON, D. C., WHERE HE WILL TAKE UP VARIOUS PERSONNEL PROBLEMS. ALTHOUGH HE DIDN'T SAY SO, HE HAS PROBABLY ARRANGED TO HAVE A LITTLE FUN ON THE SIDE, ESPECIALLY SINCE HANK LALLY PRECEDED HIM TO THE STATES AND HAS NO DOUBT MANAGED TO COLLECT A FEW ADDRESSES AND TELEPHONE NUMBERS TO PASS ON TO GEORGE. WE WISH GEORGE A PLEASANT TRIP AND A QUICK RETURN.

HELEN RICHARDSON  
SUCCEUMS TO BRIEF ILLNESS

THE REGIONAL OFFICE WAS SADDENED BY THE SUDDEN DEATH OF MISS HELEN RICHARDSON ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON, FEBRUARY 27TH.

HELEN HAD BEEN OPERATOR OF THE PRINT MACHINE IN THE DRAFTING UNIT SINCE JANUARY, AND FORMERLY DID THE MINEOGRAPHING IN MAIL AND FILES. SHE WAS PLEASANT TO WORK WITH, AND WAS WELL LIKED BY ALL WHO KNEW HER.

SHE WAS AN ACCOMPLISHED VIOLINIST, AND WAS A MUSIC INSTRUCTOR AT THE LOCAL SCHOOLS FOR SOME TIME AFTER COMING TO ANCHORAGE THREE YEARS AGO.

HELEN IS SURVIVED BY HER MOTHER, MRS. NORA RICHARDSON OF ANCHORAGE, AND A SISTER IN THE STATES.

## DANCE HONORS JOE TIPPETS

ON FEBRUARY 26TH TWO HUNDRED CAAs FOLLOWS FOR THEIR WORK AND WORRIES AND JOINED IN THE FUN. THE TOP HAT TUSSELE HELD AT THE PIONEER HALL. THE PARTY WAS IN HONOR OF JOE TIPPETS, WHO WAS THERE WITH HIS BROAD SMILE AND HEARTY LAUGH AND WE ALL TOOK OFF OUR HATS TO WELCOME HIM.

DECORATIONS CONSISTED OF PALE PINK STREAMERS OF CREPE PAPER COVERING THE SIDE WALLS AND BLACK CREPE PAPER LINING THE CEILING. LARGES BLACK TOP HATS FASHIONED BY JOAN ANDERSON CARRIED OUT THE THEME OF THE PARTY. THE NO. 1 TICKETS WERE DESIGNED BY JIM TAPSCOTT, A FORMER CAA EMPLOYEE NOW WITH THE ARMY. SUPERB MUSIC WAS REALLY SWUNG OUT BY THE 177TH ENGINEERS' FIFTEEN PIECE BAND, MADE THE DANCING ENJOYABLE ALL.

THE DANCE COMMITTEE CONSISTED OF JOAN ANDERSON, ARLENE DECKER, JOHN HOOPER, ERNIE WESCHER, JIM SLOAN, HERVEY ALDRIDGE AND D. STRYKER.

## HASSLER TO RETURN SOON

KITTY HASSLER, OF CONTRACT AND LEASE UNIT, WILL BE ON HER WAY BACK TO ANCHORAGE BEFORE LONG, ACCORDING TO A NOTE FROM HER. SHE SAYS THAT WHEN JIM PFEFFER ARRIVED IN SEATTLE ON WAY TO CALIFORNIA, THERE WAS A GRAND GATHERING OF THE CLAN FROM ANCHORAGE - SELMER HOLTE, E. THOMAS, JIM AND HERSELF. THEY ALL AGREED TO TWO YEARS IN ALASKA WITHOUT TOUCHING FOOT "OUTSIDE" SOIL. MADE ONE DECIDEDLY ALLERGIC CROWDS, NOISES, AND THE HUSTLE AND BUSTLE OF THE BIG CITIES. KITTY ADMITS SHE IS HOME FOR ALASKA. WE WONDER ABOUT THE OTHERS.

WE ARE LOSING LITTLE BETTY RESSLER TO "OUTSIDE". SOMEHOW SHE ALWAYS MANAGED TO GET US NOT MIND RECEIVING THE HEAVY LOADS OF "H" THAT SHE DISHED OUT EVERY HOUR ON THE HOUR. WONDER HOW MANY BROKEN HEARTS SHE IS LEAVING BEHIND. WE'LL WAGER THEY ARE A MULTITUDE. WELL, WE HATE GOODBYES - SO, SO LONG, BETTY! GOOD LUCK - AND WE'LL BE SEEIN' YOU AGAIN - WE HOPE.

## EDITOR JENCKS RESIGNS

MARJORIE JENCKS, SECRETARY OF THE FL UNIT FOR THE PAST YEAR AND A HALF AND EDITOR OF THE MUKLUK TELEGRAPH, HAS RESIGNED FROM CAA.

MARGE, A JOURNALIST AT HEART, FIRST GESTED THE REGIONAL PAPER, AND WORKED HARD TO START THE MUKLUK TELEGRAPH ON ITS WAY. WE COURAGED HER AT THE TIME, BUT IT TURNED OUT BE A POOR IDEA AFTER ALL; FOR ONCE SHE SMILED THE PRINTER'S INK, THERE WAS NO STOPPING. LAST WEEK SHE LEFT FOR CALIFORNIA TO WORK FULL-SIZED NEWSPAPER.

WE GAVE HER OUR BEST WISHES, BUT WE'RE HOPING THAT MARGE WON'T LIKE THE SOUTHLAND. SHE WILL SOON BE BACK IN ANCHORAGE.

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## ALL CAN EIGHT DE RO

THE REGIONAL MANAGER HAS REVIEWED LETTERS FROM MANY OF THE GANG SHOWING THEIR APPRECIATION OF THE OLD "MUKLUK TELEGRAPH", AND I AM VERY PLEASED THAT YOU FEEL IT HELPS TO KEEP YOU IN TOUCH. BUT I WANT TO SAY AGAIN: THIS IS YOUR NEWS LETTER AND TO KEEP IT GOING WE WILL HAVE TO HAVE NEWS FROM EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU. SO-O-O, AFTER DOING YOUR EIGHT HOURS A DAY, SIX DAYS A WEEK (WITH TIME AND HALF OVER THE FORTY HOURS, DON'T FORGET) JUST REMEMBER YOU STILL HAVE A HUNDRED TWENTY HOURS LEFT IN THE WEEK FOR YOURSELF IN WHICH YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO SPARE A FEW MINUTES TO SEND IN AN ITEM OF INTEREST TO YOUR FELLOW WORKERS. IT WILL BE A GREAT HELP TO THE EDITORIAL STAFF WHO GIVE THEIR TIME TO THIS WORTHY ENTERPRISE. PLEASE LET US HEAR FROM YOU ALL.

AND JUST A BIT OF ADVICE FROM THE OLD MAN - "WORK FAITHFULLY EIGHT HOURS A DAY AND DON'T WORRY AND IN TIME YOU MAY BE THE BOSS AND WORK SIXTEEN HOURS A DAY AND HAVE ALL THE WORRY".

REGARDS - AND KEEP 'EM COMING AS YOU KEEP 'EM FLYING!

-- MARSHALL C. HOPPIN

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA, FEBRUARY 24, 1945. SINCE THE ISSUANCE OF THE FEBRUARY "MUKLUK TELEGRAPH" NO OFFICIAL COMMENT HAS BEEN RECEIVED REGARDING THE STATUS OF THE TWO AIRCRAFT COMMUNICATOR RECLASSIFICATION PROGRAMS UNDER CONSIDERATION IN WASHINGTON. IT IS HOPED THAT SOME WORD WILL BE FORTHCOMING PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF THE APRIL 1ST ISSUE.

FOR SOME TIME THE OFFICE HAS BEEN ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN ARRANGING FOR THE PAYMENT OF OVERTIME TO AIRCRAFT COMMUNICATORS FOR ALL TIME WORKED IN EXCESS OF FORTY HOURS PER WEEK. IT IS OUR FEELING THAT SUCH REMUNERATION IS DEFINITELY JUSTIFIED, ESPECIALLY SINCE SUCH LONG HOURS HAVE BEEN ABSOLUTELY REQUIRED IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN THE NECESSARY METEOROLOGICAL AND AERONAUTICAL COMMUNICATION SERVICES REQUIRED OF US BY THE MILITARY. THE REGIONAL OFFICE DOES NOT PROPOSE TO TAKE "NO" FOR AN ANSWER.

IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF THE ORIGINATOR OF THE SPECIAL "FLASH" MESSAGE TRANSMITTED VIA CIRCUIT 302 AND DIRECTED TO THE UNDERSIGNED, ADVISING THAT THE ARMY PROPOSED TO ASSUME CONTROL OF THE CAA COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, WOULD FURNISH MORE SPECIFIC DETAILS. COMMENTS OF THIS NATURE, WHILE APPRECIATED, TEND TO CONTRIBUTE TO A STATE OF UNREST UNLESS THEY CAN BE SATISFACTORILY EXPLAINED TO FIELD PERSONNEL. SINCE THE OUTBREAK OF HOSTILITIES IT HAS BEEN THE STATED AND OFTEN PUBLISHED POLICY OF THE CAA IN ALASKA AS WELL AS ELSEWHERE TO COORDINATE AND COOPERATE ITS FACILITIES, SERVICES, AND THE HIGHLY TECHNICAL ABILITIES OF ITS PERSONNEL WITH THOSE OF THE MILITARY, LOOKING TOWARDS THE SUCCESSFUL DEFENSE OF OUR COUNTRY. WE ARE AT WAR WITH THE AXIS POWERS ONLY, AND, THEREFORE, THE LEAST WE CAN DO IS TO ASSIST THE MILITARY IN BRINGING PROPER PRESSURE TO BEAR ON THE ENEMY BY EFFICIENTLY DISCHARGING OUR DUTIES, WHICH ARE NOW OF NECESSITY LAID OUT FOR US BY THE ORGANIZATIONS WE ARE ENDEAVORING TO SERVE.

COMMUNICATIONS TRAINING SUPERVISOR WILKE E. CRUSE IS NOW IN SEATTLE CONFERRING WITH SEVENTH REGION COMMUNICATIONS AND CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION PERSONNEL RELATIVE TO THE FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A TRAINING CENTER FOR THE EIGHTH REGION IN SEATTLE. THE MAIN IDEA IS TO OPERATE OUR TRAINING PROGRAM IN THE STATES AS WELL AS IN ALASKA, THUS ALLEVIATING SOME TRANSPORTATION PROBLEMS AND PERMITTING SELECTION FROM A LARGER GROUP OF INTERESTED APPLICANTS THAN IS NOW AVAILABLE IN THE TERRITORY. TRAINING WOULD CONTINUE IN ANCHORAGE AS IN THE PAST.

AT THE TIME OF THIS WRITING ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR FOUR AIRCRAFT COMMUNICATOR WIVES AND ONE MAINTENANCE WIFE TO TRAVEL VIA NC 16 FROM SEATTLE TO ANCHORAGE UPON ITS RETURN TRIP. AT THE TIME OF PREPARATION OF THE LAST ISSUE OF THE "MUKLUK TELEGRAPH" IT WAS NOT EXPECTED THAT THE SEATTLE TRIP WOULD MATERIALIZE PRIOR TO MARCH 1ST. HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT CERTAIN WASHINGTON OFFICIALS ARE ENROUTE TO THE TERRITORY, IT WAS NECESSARY TO REVAMP THE PROPOSED SCHEDULE. IT IS NOW BELIEVED THAT AN ADDITIONAL ROUND TRIP TO SEATTLE WILL BE REQUIRED IN ORDER TO TRANSPORT ALL FAMILIES OF AIRCRAFT COMMUNICATOR PERSONNEL DESIRING TO JOIN THEIR HUSBANDS IN ALASKA. IT MUST BE POINTED OUT THAT SUCH SCHEDULE IS NOT DEFINITE, BUT WILL BE MADE IF PHYSICALLY POSSIBLE.

- ALLEN D. HULEN, CHIEF, COMMUNICATIONS BRANCH

## LADIES TRANSFORM COMMUNICATION STATIONS

HAVE YOU HEARD? IT'S TERRIFIC THE WAY THESE FEMININE OPERATORS UPSET THE ROUTINE HABEROASH-ERY HABITS OF THE MALE COMMUNICATORS. WHEN THE GALS ARRIVE ON THE SCENE THERE IS A TRANSITION, NOT TOO OBVIOUS, THE FELLOWS HOPE, FROM THE OLD METHOD OF STANDING WATCHES IN "WHAT-HAVE-YOU" TYPE OF CLOTHES TO A MORE NUTTY APPEARANCE.

THE STATION WASH LINES NOW DISPLAY A LARGER SELECTION OF SHIRTS AND TROUSERS, AND THE BOYS EVEN BREAK OUT WITH A SHOESHINE, HAIRCUT AND TIE.

TAKE WOODY ISLAND FOR EXAMPLE. THE GRAPEVINE TELLS A STORY OF TREMENDOUS CHANGE - VOLCANIC. MRS. SPEER ARRIVED BACK HOME AT OF AFTER ALMOST A YEAR'S ABSENCE. THAT STARTED IT. VINCE (HER HUSBAND) OF COURSE CANNOT BE CONSIDERED, AS MRS. VINCE SIMPLY CRACKED DOWN ON HIM, AND THAT WAS THAT. BUT THEY SAY JIM BEGAN TO SHOW THE EFFECTS OF THE FEMININE PRESENCE. THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN OKAY, BUT AFTER MRS. ROSENEAU ARRIVED A FEW DAYS LATER, JIM SIMPLY WENT "ALL OUT" FOR BARTORIAL ELEGANCE. THE WASH LINES REALLY HANG HEAVY NOW.

WE'RE WONDERING WHAT HAPPENED TO SMITTY'S BEARD. DID THAT HAVE TO GO, TOO?

IT'S A TREMENDOUS SHOCK TO STURTZ. HE STOPS RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE TRANSMISSION OF A LETTER "E", SHAKES HIS HEAD SADLY AND MUTTERS, "IT ISN'T DECENT!"

## NOTICE TO NC'S

PHRASE CONTRACTIONS THAT WILL PROBABLY BE FOUND NECESSARY FOR FUTURE USE WILL APPEAR IN THIS COLUMN. (EFFECTIVE DATE WILL BE ANNOUNCED LATER.)

SUSFU - SITUATION UNCHANGED. STILL POOLED UP.

## DEFINITION OF PHRASES

HAS RECEIVED CAREFUL CONSIDERATION: A PERIOD OF INACTIVITY COVERING TIME LAG.

HAVE YOU ANY REMARKS? GIVE ME SOME IDEA OF WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT.

## ERRATA

WE OFFER OUR APOLOGIES TO MR. HERBERT B. BRIDGES, INSTRUCTOR IN THE TRAINING UNIT. IT WAS HE, AND NOT C. J. BASSLER, WHO WROTE THE ARTICLE ABOUT THE "GRACKEN" FOR THE FEBRUARY "MUKLUK TELEGRAPH". WE MUST HAVE BEEN THINKING OF THE ARTICLE WE HOPE BASSLER WILL WRITE FOR A FUTURE ISSUE.

## COMMUNICATIONS REPORTS PERSONNEL CHANGES

VOLUNTEER AIRCRAFT COMMUNICATORS WHO HAVE RETURNED RECENTLY TO THEIR ORIGINAL STATIONS IN THE STATES UPON COMPLETION OF THEIR SIX-MONTH PERIOD IN ALASKA ARE AS FOLLOWS:

D. R. CONREY, WOODY ISLAND TO GREAT FALLS, MONTANA; J. A. SHOCKLEY, WOODY ISLAND TO LIVINGSTON, MONTANA; P. S. POLLARD, NORTHWAY TO EPHRATA, WASHINGTON; J. B. WATKINS, NORTHWAY TO DENVER, COLORADO; C. W. WHEELER, ILLIAMNA TO DELGRADE, MONTANA; C. E. LONGSTRETH, ILLIAMNA TO NORTH PLATTE, NEBRASKA; J. E. SHARP, BETHEL TO AKRON, COLORADO; A. R. ROSS, BETHEL TO ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI; B. B. ALBERTSON, BETHEL TO GOODING, IDAHO.

THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATORS WILL BE RELEASED WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS:

F. M. ANDERSON, YAKUTAT TO NORTH DALLES, WASHINGTON; R. L. MOON, GULKANA TO ARLINGTON, OREGON; H. V. SMITH, WOODY ISLAND TO WASHINGTON, D. C.; AND M. C. SMITH, PETERSBURG TO CHADRON, NEBRASKA.

VOLUNTEERS EXTENDING SIX-MONTH TOUR ON DUTY ARE:

N. C. BIRKHOLZ, JUNEAU (LISTED IN THE FEBRUARY ISSUE OF THE "MUKLUK TELEGRAPH" AS RETURNING TO JOLIET, ILLINOIS); W. A. CHAPMAN, AC HOMER TO CAC BETHEL; N. BUETTNER, AC NORTHWAY TO AC ANCHORAGE; H. C. ANDERSON, CAC LAKE MINCHUMINA; W. R. BOBLENZ, AC GULKANA; L. F. CAMPBELL, AC MOSES POINT; W. H. CRAVER, CAC GULKANA; G. D. DAVIS, AC MCGRATH; R. H. FINEGOLD, CAC GAMBELL; D. D. GRAVES, AC NOME; A. R. HEGGE, AC HOMER; S. H. KIRSH, AC BIG DELTA; E. H. HURD, AC LAKE MINCHUMINA; F. E. JACKSON, CAC MIDDLETON ISLAND; THEODORE KANGAS, CAC MOSES POINT; R. J. KAZRAGIS, AC YAKUTAT; J. R. KEITH, HAINES TO ERAC FAIRBANKS; R. D. LIMBERT, CAC FAIRWELL; J. F. MCNICHOE, AC CORDOVA; G. A. PRINGLE, AC NOME; E. H. WARREN, AC NOME; F. W. WEST, AC FAIRBANKS; W. H. YOUNG, AC FAIRBANKS.

AIRCRAFT COMMUNICATOR PERSONNEL ASSIGNMENTS EFFECTED DURING FEBRUARY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

W. A. CHAPMAN, AC HOMER TO CAC BETHEL; R. L. MISHNER, ERAC NOME TO CAC ILLIAMNA; N. BUETTNER, AC NORTHWAY TO AC ANCHORAGE; E. J. SELPH, AC FAIRBANKS TO CAC NORTHWAY; MR. AND MRS. HERBERT BRAZIL, AC MIDDLETON ISLAND TO AC CORDOVA; IRVING UNGUORUK, JAC GAMBELL TO AC GAMBELL; MR. AND MRS. ORVAL HOLMES, JAC ANCHORAGE TO HAINES; ELMO E. SMITH, AC NOME TO AC ANCHORAGE; H. S. FREDRICKSON, AC ANCHORAGE TO TANANA CROSSING; VELDA FREDRICKSON, JAC ANCHORAGE TO AC TANANA CROSSING; J. R. KEITH, AC HAINES TO ERAC FAIRBANKS; FLOYD R. HORTON, JAC ANCHORAGE TO BIG DELTA; MR. AND MRS. VERNON COUNTER, JAC ANCHORAGE TO PETERSBURG; MR. AND MRS. ADOLPH ROSENEAU, JAC ANCHORAGE TO WOODY ISLAND; MR. AND MRS. WALTER JENKINS, JAC TO WOODY ISLAND; MR. AND MRS. KENNETH WOOD, JAC ANCHORAGE TO YAKUTAT.

FEW EVENTS OCCUR OVER IN THIS NECK OF THE WOOD WHICH COULD BE CONSIDERED NEWS, BUT REMEMBER THE OLD SAYING WHICH MENTIONS NEWS, CANNIBALS, WIND, SAPIENS AND MASTICATIONS. WE'LL SEND IN A LITTLE NEWS OCCASIONALLY, IF WE HAVE TO GO OUT AND KISS A FEW OF THE LOCAL MALE-PIGOTES. (MAY GO FURTHER THAN MERELY BITING, IF THE FOOD SITUATION GETS TOO TOUGH BEFORE SPRING.)

RUMOR HAS IT THAT SINCE THE LOCAL TIGER-SHIRT SHOPS HAVE RUN OUT OF "DUGAN'S DEW", SOME OF THE BOYS AT YO ARE EVEN STOPPING TO MAKING FUDGE.

C. E. BROWN, AIRCRAFT COMMUNICATOR AT YO, WAS RECENTLY WALKING HOME FROM THE CONTROL STATION WHEN HE HAPPENED TO NOTICE ABOUT HALF A DOZEN MALEPIGOTES FOLLOWING HIM. BROWN THOUGHT FOR A WHILE THEY WERE MERELY CHUMMY. HOWEVER, WHEN ONE DID BLACK ONE TURNED TO ANOTHER AND SAID, "YES, I'M SURE OF IT. THAT IS MY BROTHER HE'S WEARING". BROWN DOUBLED HIS PACE AND DECIDED TO TAKE THE MATTER UP WITH A FUR EXPERT. HE KNOWS NOW THAT HIS PARKA IS NOT MINK.

E. A. PASTRO, HOME AC, RECENTLY HAD HIS HEAD SHAVED TO BE RID OF HIS DANDRUFF, ONCE AND FOR ALL. WE'LL LAY TEN TO ONE THE DANDRUFF BEATS HIS HAIR BACK.

W. WINEBRENNER, J. WIXON, AND C. HUORIMEN SEEM TO BE HAVING A PRIVATE WAR. IT'S A MUSTA-CHIO CONTEST. THERE'LL BE A NEW BEAU BRUMMEL IN YOKO CBOOE. THE INSIDE HAS IT THAT WIXON IS MOVING ALONG NICELY, BECAUSE HE DROOPS HIS FOR A LONGER PERIOD OF TIME IN A MUG FULL OF BEER.

NOW THAT YO HAS TWO OF THE FAIR SEX AS OPERATORS, PERHAPS OUR MONITOR, MOSES POINT, MAY FORGET SOME OF OUR DISCREPANCIES. WE HEAR THERE ARE ONLY MALES (HOOKED OR UNHOOKED) AT MOSES. SNOW THEM UNDER, MRS. COOK AND MRS. SHROPSHIRE. YOU HEARD THE "MRS.", DIDN'T YOU, MOSES? THAT MEANS THEY'RE HITCHED, AND NO FUNNY BUSINESS! INCIDENTALLY, MOSES, THE TWO LASSES MAKE THE SWEETEST PIES.

THE HUTBIES, GEORGE C. AND JACK S., LOOK AS THOUGH THEY ARE PICKING UP EXTRA POUNDAGE. IT MUST BE THE PIES. OFF THE RECORD, JACK LOOKS RIGHT CUTE DOING THE DISHES, AND GEORGE LOOKS LIKE A DISTINGUISHED DISH DIPPER. WITH THE PASSING OF TIME (AND A FEW OF THE DISHES) THE BOYS OUGHT TO BE TOPS IN THAT LINE.

C. GRAVES IS ON A FENCE, AND A PICKET ONE AT THAT. IT SEEMS THAT THE DECISION ON THE UNIFORM CONTROVERSY RESTS IN HIS HANDS. OZ HAIN'T VOTED YET AND VOTES ARE TIED. HE IS INCLINED TO POSTPONE THE VERDICT. WHATEVER IT MAY BE, OZZIE WILL GET HIS (AND I DON'T MEAN A UNIFORM, EITHER).

G. PRINGLE IS WORRYING ABOUT HIS INCOME TAX (WHO WOULDN'T?) IN FACT, HE WORRIES SO MUCH THAT IT TAKES HIS STRENGTH, AND HE REALLY HAS A TIME CRAWLING OUT OF A NICE WARM BED IN ORDER TO BE ON WATCH ON TIME.

A LITTLE SOUTH OF THE CHENA SLOUGH A MAJESTIC CONTROL TOWER SLOWLY GREW. THE GROUND AROUND HAD LONG SINCE FROZE, BUT OUR PRIDE AND JOY SLOWLY ROSE. THE WORD CAME THROUGH - THE TOWER WAS DONE. AND WOULD OPEN WITH THE MORNING SUN. ALL WERE READY FOR THIS GREAT EVENT; SHE'D BE CHAISTENED INDEED, WITH CRENE DE VENTHE.

AND, GOOD FRIENDS, LET IT BE SAID THAT OUR TOWER WAS OPENED AND THE FOLLOWING READ:

"O HIGH AND MIGHTY TOWER OF OURS, WHO OWES IT'S LIFE TO THE GOOD WALT BOWERS, WHOSE SPAGHETTI-LIKE LEGS BY REITEN BUILT TO THE WEST, A WEE BIT, SEEN TO TILT. NOISE AND STATIC THROUGH THE DAY, THANKS TO GOOD OLD MR. GRAY." LONG JOHN PIKE, YES, OFF HE FLED, AND NOT A WORD HAD HE SAID. THE FIRST SHIP CALLED, AND CALLED AGAIN, THEN FIGURED THAT NO ONE WAS "IN". BEARIE RETURNED, PUT IN A LIGHT; GRAY STOLE BACK IN THE DARK COLD NIGHT. PIKE RETIRED AT AN EARLY HOUR, AND WARMED HIS HINNERS WITH A WHISKEY SOUT.

BROTHER OSBORN PACKED HIS LUNCH, THROUGH THE SNOW HIS BOOTS DID CRUNCH. HE CLIMBED THE STAIRS WITHOUT A PEEP, PUT OUT THE LIGHT AND WENT TO SLEEP.

-- BRONO NOSIG

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UNCLE CHARLIE TOOK A HYPO AND WAS ABLE TO YOKE A ZEBRA AND A DOG TO THE KING. THIS UNIT WAS READY TO SAIL WHEN MAN STOOD UP TO AFFIRM HER LOVE FOR PETER THE BAKER. PETER REPLIED, "OBOE, YOU ARE SWEET AS SUGAR AND THIS SHOULD BE EASY, BUT HOW ABOUT VICTOR? HE'S SLY AS A FOX AND YOU ARE THE QUEEN OF HIS HEART AND THE DOG WILL NOT OVERLOOK THIS ITEM. HE THEN PULLED AN OBOE FROM HIS POCKET AND PLAYED A SNAPPY JIG, FRIGHTENING THE ZEBRA. THE SUDDED TAKEOFF SPILLED MIKE AND MADE HIM TARE HIS PANTS, BUT THE XRAY SHOWED NO FURTHER DAMAGE. QEK.

(NOTE: AN OBOE IS A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT THAT IS A CROSS BETWEEN A CLARINET AND A TURKISH PIPE. IT'S PRONOUNCED O-BO TO RHYME WITH HORO. HOW COME ALL THIS "OH BOY" STUFF?)

C. BROWN HAS BEEN UTILIZING HIS FEW SPARE MOMENTS TYPE-DRAWING CARTOONS ON THE RELIATYPE AND SENDING THEM TO THE WEATHER BUREAU. THEN THERE IS THAT FAR-AWAY LOOK IN HIS EYE WHEN THE GIRLS TYPE BACK THEIR OHS AND AHS. NATURALLY BROWNIE CAN'T HAVE A NEAR LOOK IN HIS EYE BECAUSE THE GIRLS ARE A FEW MILES AWAY. 'TIS A SAD WORLD.

REGARDS TO TWO FORMER YOKO CBOEISTS, E. SMITH AT HQ AND R. WISNER AT JP.

BUD BRUDERER, CHIEF OF CONTRACT AND SERVICE SECTION, ARRIVED IN ANCHORAGE IN THE SMALL HOURS ONE WEDNESDAY MORNING WITH HIS WIFE, CORRENE, AND MISS BONNIE ALLYN, THEIR YOUNG DAUGHTER. BUD TELLS US THEY WERE ON THE BOAT FOR TWELVE DAYS AND THE TRIP BECAME RATHER MONOTONOUS FOR ALL BUT MISS BONNIE. SHE MADE FRIENDS WITH EVERYONE ON BOARD AND HAD QUITE A COLLECTION OF PRESENTS WHEN SHE ARRIVED IN ANCHORAGE.

BUD AND HIS FAMILY ARE STAYING AT THE WESTWARD TEMPORARILY, BUT ARE IN THE MARKET WITH ALL THE REST OF US FOR OTHER ACCOMMODATIONS, BE IT HOUSE, APARTMENT, OR LEAN-TO.

## FIFTY-FIVE MILE WIND HITS 'MAIL AND FILES

THE EFFICIENCY OF THE COMMUNICATIONS BRANCH MUST BE SPREADING, BECAUSE IT SEEMS THAT EVERYONE IN THE REGIONAL OFFICE HEARD ABOUT THE EVACUATION OF MAIL AND FILES DURING THE RECENT "GUSTER". WHO SAID "GUSTER"? WHY, IT WAS A REGULAR ARCTIC HURRICANE!

A STRANGE SIGN APPEARED UPON THE DARKENED DOOR OF ROOM 212. "MAIL AND MIMEOGRAPH IN ROOM 208. FILES IN ROOM 204". BEWILDERED "CAATERS" WOULD FINALLY FIND VI NELLO, AND PLEAD FOR AN URGENT PAPER FROM "THEM DUSTY FILES". OTHERS, PRACTICALLY EVERYBODY, DECIDED THAT IT WAS JUST AS GOOD A TIME AS ANY TO VISIT ROOM 212 TO GET THE MAGAZINES OR PACKAGES THAT THEY HAD FORGOTTEN TO CALL FOR DURING THE PAST THREE WEEKS. K. O. RUDE EVEN CALLED FOR HIS PACKAGE, WHICH HAD BEEN COLLECTING DUST SINCE CHRISTMAS.

IN ORDER TO INFORM OUR UNOBSERVING VISITORS, WE SHOULD LIKE TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE MAIL ROOM DOES HAVE A FEW SKYLIGHT WINDOWS, BUT THAT THESE WINDOWS DO NOT CLOSE TIGHTLY. SO THERE YOU HAVE THE SOLUTION, "WATSON" - OPEN WINDOWS, A SIXTY-FIVE MILE WIND WITH CERTAIN GUSTS, OCCURANTS OF MAIL AND FILES TURNING BLUE WITH THE COLD, TRYING TO WRITE WITH NUMBED FINGERS, AND WEIGHTING DOWN ALL THE PAPERS IN THE ROOM (THEY MANAGE TO HAVE QUITE A BIT OF PAPER).

THE SECOND DAY THE CHIEFS DECIDED THAT PERHAPS THOSE SILLY GIRLS IN ROOM 212 WERE CHILLY BEYOND THE WARMTH OF THEIR COATS. THUS, EVACUATION WAS EFFECTED.

BEN LOFGREN AND LEONARD DROGIN MANAGED TO STUFF OLD RAGS INTO THE CRACKS ABOVE THE WINDOWS - HOW, WE DON'T KNOW, BUT THE TEMPERATURE DID RISE APPROXIMATELY FIVE DEGREES. WE ARE STILL WAITING FOR THE RAGS TO FALL OUT OR FOR ANOTHER WIND STORM TO ARRIVE. THANKS, ANYWAY, "FELLAS".

WE SHOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK THE PEOPLE IN ROOMS 204 AND 208 FOR THE WARMTH OF THEIR ROOMS. WE HOPE THAT WE DID NOT CAUSE THEM TOO MUCH INCONVENIENCE.

OH, YES! MAIL AND FILES ARE NOW FUNCTIONING NORMALLY IN ROOM 212.

HAVE YOU EVER TRIED TO TAKE PAINT BOTTOM OF AN AIRPLANE? PRINCIPAL REQUEST - TIME, PATIENCE AND PERSEVERENCE. IT NO 26, IS GETTING A SPRING OVERHAUL.

DUTCH SHANKS JUST BOUGHT A NEW PAIR DARLINGEST COVERALLS. JUST LIKE A ROMPER, WITH BUTTONS ALL OVER THE PL. YET HE HAD NOT WORN THIS LOVELY GEAR WE ARE ALL WAITING EXPECTANTLY.

DURING THE PAST MONTH DRIVING TO THE HANGAR HAS BEEN A PROBLEM. FOR A FIELD WAS TURNED INTO A HIGHWAY, AS IT HAD DRIFTED OVER THE ROAD, MAKING IT SIBBLE. NOW THE MAIN THING TO DO IS GO RIGHT GROOVE, HOLD TIGHT TO THE WHEEL AND

ENDERG'S THERE SONG

WHERE, OH WHERE, HAVE THE UNIT HEATERS OH WHERE, OH WHERE CAN THEY BE? AT LAST I FOUND ONE OH, A BEAUTIFUL ONE! BUT I HOPE THAT'S NOT ALL THAT I'LL SEE

NOW THAT SPRING IS COMING, NOW THAT ARE GETTING WARMER, THE UNIT HEATERS NALLY ARRIVING. ANYWAY, ONE LONG HE FOUND CRATED DOWN AT THE DEPOT. AIN'T DERFUL!

LATEST ACQUIREMENT OF THE HANGAR SCHEEME, OUR NEW MECHANIC. HE IS NOT LOOKING BUT ALSO VERY EFFICIENT.

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN I GIVE TO YOU THIS WARNING! IF TO THE HANGAR YOU DO COME BEWARE OF JEFFORD, HUNST, AND HORNING.

IN FACT, I'D SAY BE CAREFUL OF ENBERG AND SPIDER TOO! ALSO MATT AND DUTCH AND RAY AND FRANK, WHO IS JUST NEW.

THEN THERE'S FUZZ AND FREDDY! THEY'RE NO BETTER THAN THE REST. HARRY IS THE ONLY ONE WHO WOULD TREAT YOU AS A GUEST.

THEY'LL SKIN YOU IF THEY CAN; THEY'LL DO IT EVERY TIME. THEY'LL TAKE AWAY YOUR MONEY DOWN TO YOUR VERY LAST DIME.

THEY'LL MATCH YOU OUT OF THIS! THEY'LL MATCH YOU OUT OF THAT. SO PLEASE, MY FRIENDS, TAKE WARNING OR ELSE BE BUSTED FLAT.

HAS ANYBODY NOTICED THE GLOW ON THE THE OCCUPANTS OF ROOM 212? NO MORE RED EYES, AND NO MORE BLINKING AS TH THE OUTER WORLD. SOME PEOPLE EVEN TH "SPRING HAS SPRUNG" WHEN THEY SEE TH REFLECTION ON THE DOOR. FLUORESCENT LI COURSE!

FAIRBANKS, ALASKA  
FEBRUARY 5, 1943

DEAR ED:

CONGRATULATIONS FROM ZFX! YOUR (OR SHOULD WE SAY "OUR") PAPER, YE OLDE MUKLUK TELEGRAPH, WAS A PLEASANT SURPRISE TO ALL THE BOYS HERE IN FX, AND THEY ALL FEEL THAT IT WILL FILL THE SOCIAL GAP THAT IT IS INTENDED TO. IT ALSO SHOULD PUT THE RUMOR BOOMERS INTO A FIT, WITH ALL OF THE FACTS DOWN IN BLACK AND WHITE FROM THE R. O. THE 2 PERSONNEL OF FX EXTEND THEIR BEST WISHES. WE'LL ALL TAKE OUR TURN AT THE PEN DIPPING AND GOSSIP GARNERING UNTIL WE NOMINATE AN OFFICIAL FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT.

SINCERELY,  
RAJOT BRONO  
ZFX

McMURRAY, OUR RESPECTED AND HONORED CAC, HAS BEGUN TO RELAX A BIT AFTER THE ORDEAL OF BREAKING IN A CREW OF SEVEN VOLUNTEERS. IT WAS A TOUGH ASSIGNMENT BUT FROM THE OCCASIONAL SMILE SEEN FLICKERING AROUND THE EDGE OF MAC'S MOUTH WE BELIEVE HE THINKS THE CRISIS IS PAST.

NOTES ON THE PLUTOGRATS (I.E., THE SIDE-JOB BOYS): THE PERSONNEL STAFF OF STATION KFAR IS NOW AUGMENTED BY TWO OF OUR NUMBER. WEST, EX-CINCINNATI AC, WORKS UNTIRINGLY COPYING PRESS AT THE TRANSMITTER SITE, WHILE SAM SILVER OF ATC DOES HIS DAILY STINT AT ANNOUNCING. WEST PROMISES US THAT HE WILL LEARN THE CODE SOME DAY, UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES A NOBLE ASPIRATION. NOT BEING WELL VERSED IN HISTORICS WE ARE UNABLE TO QUIP ON SAM'S TECHNIQUE AT THE MIRE. R. A. MILLER, EX-PARCO, WYOMING, AC, PROMISES TO FIX ALL THE BUM RADIO SETS IN FAIRBANKS AND "KEEP 'EM RUNNING" FROM HIS WORKBENCH AT THE FAIRBANKS RADIO SHOP. THEN WE HAVE E. F. WHITNEY, EX-CHANUTE, KANSAS COMMUNICATOR, WHO IS LOST IN THE LABYRINTHINE CORRIDORS OF TYPE IN THE BACK ROOM OF THE DAILY NEWS-MINER. WALT BOWERS OF OUR MAINTENANCE CREW SLINGS A MEAN HAMBURGER FROM THE GRILL OF THE MIDGET CAFE ON FRONT STREET. ALL OF WHICH ADDS UP TO "FINE BUSINESS" NOW, BUT WAIT UNTIL INCOME TAX TIME.

FX IS NOTED FOR ITS SUB-ZERO TEMPERATURES BUT WE KNOW WHEN WE HAVE HAD ENOUGH. THE POOR VOLUNTEER COMMUNICATORS FROM TEXAS AND THEREABOUTS NEGLECTED TO INCLUDE RED FLANNELS IN THEIR EXCESS BAGGAGE. A RUN ON THE LOCAL HABERDASHERS HAS RESULTED AND IT IS NOW REPORTED THAT NO MORE BRIGHT COLORED UNDERGARMENTS ARE AVAILABLE.

WANTED! SOMEONE TO SUGGEST AN AMICABLE METHOD OF SETTling THE PROBLEM OF TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM WORK. SEEMS THE BOYS AT THE TOWER ARE DESIROUS OF GETTING TO WORK FIRST, WHILE THERE ARE THOSE AT THE CONTROL STATION WHO ARE NOT IN AGREEMENT. WE WILL BE OPEN TO HELPFUL SUGGESTIONS UFN. NOTE: MAYHEM, ASSAULT AND BATTERY, ETC. ARE NOT CONSIDERED HELPFUL.

SINCE THE USUAL CHAMMAGE BOTTLE BUSTING, TAPE TEARING AND SPEECH MAKING, FX TOWER WAS OFFICIALLY DESIGNATED AND BOOMED INTO OPERATION AT MIDNIGHT, FEBRUARY 1, 1943 WITH GRANT M. DEBORN AT THE HELM. IT WAS WITH A SIGH OF HAPPINESS THAT THE BOYS OF FX FINALLY CAME INTO THEIR OWN AND MOVED INTO FAMILIAR SURROUNDINGS. ONCE AGAIN WE HAD THE PLEASURE OF R. J. PETITTE'S COMPANY. HE DOESN'T LIKE FX THOUGH. S'MATTER PETE, TOO COLD?

WHILE OUR INFORMATION HAS IT THAT HOUSING AT FX ISN'T IN QUITE THE STATE OF AFFAIRS THAT IT IS IN HQ, IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING THAT WE ARE ANXIOUSLY AWAITING THE DAY THAT REITEN AND HIS GANG ANNOUNCE THE FORMAL OPENING OF OUR NEW QUARTERS. IT IS TO BE NOTED THAT NO COMMITMENTS REGARDING THE COMPLETION DATE ARE BEING MADE BY SAID GANG.

AC L. A. ROBERTS RECENTLY DEPARTED FOR HQ AND POINTS SOUTH, NAMELY TEXAS. OUR OTHER TWO VOLUNTEERS ELIGIBLE FOR TRANSFER BACK TO THE STATES ELECTED TO REMAIN, WM. YOUNPI BEING SLATED FOR AN EARLY TRANSFER TO TANANA AS CAC, WHILE FLOYD WEST REMAINS AS COMMUNICATOR-CORNERSTONE OF THE EVENING WATCH. WE THINK THAT "MILLIE" YOUNPI IS DETERMINED TO FULFILL THE REQUIREMENTS OF "SOURDOUGH", WHILE WEST FINDS HIMSELF WITH A CONSIDERABLE WARDROBE OF FUR GARMENTS PLUS SOME NATURAL FUR IN THE FORM OF A GONTEE, AND IS DETERMINED TO REALIZE SOME RETURN ON HIS INVESTMENT. OF COURSE WE PERSONALLY BELIEVE THAT ANY GARMENT THAT HAS KEPT US ALIVE SO FAR THIS WINTER HAS PAID FOR ITSELF MANY TIMES OVER. ANYWAY, WE'RE GLAD YOU ARE GOING TO BE WITH US FOR AT LEAST ANOTHER SIX MONTHS, BOYS.

WHEN OLD KING WINTER SANK HIS TEETH INTO THE WATER SYSTEM AT THE CONTROL STATION THE BOYS HAD TO RESORT TO ALL SORTS OF DEVISIVE MEANS TO GET THE NECESSARY WATER. (NOTE: SNOW WATER MAKES TERRIBLE COFFEE.) EVEN SINCE WE INSTALLED NEW PIPE SOMETHING SEEMS TO BE AMISS, AS THE PIPE SNUFFLES, GURGLES AND GASPS CONSTANTLY, WHILE THE WATCH COMES OUT IN SPASMODIC SQUITS. IT IS TANTAMOUNT TO TAKING AN ICE-WATER SHOWER TO DRAW OFF A CUP OF WATER UNDER EXISTING CONDITIONS. HOWEVER, WATER AT ANY PRICE IS DISTINCTLY BETTER THAN THE RECENT DROUGHT.

A FEW OF THE FELLOWS WHO HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED THE PROD THEY REQUISITIONED FROM THE COMMISSARY ARE VERY GOOD SALESMEN FOR THAT BRANCH. UPON COMPLETION OF QUARTERS, COMMISSARY REQUISITIONS FROM FX SHOULD BE MUCH MORE COMMON, AS MOST OF THE BOYS ARE CURRENTLY ROOMING OUT.

IS OUR FACE RED! WROTE THE LITTLE WOMAN TELLING HER OF THE TERRIBLE COLD UP HERE, -58, NO LESS. ALSO SENT A COPY OF THE LOCAL PAPER AS A SOUVENIR. IMAGINE OUR EMBARRASSMENT WHEN WE LATER READ A COPY OF THE SAME PAPER GIVING THE OFFICIAL "LOW" FOR THE WHOLE OF THE MONTH, -47 !!!

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LIVE AND LEARN. FLOYD WEST WILL HEREAFTER KNOW BETTER THAN TO BRING HIS COMMISSARY GROCERIES TO THE CONTROL STATION FOR TEMPORARY STORAGE PENDING REMOVAL ELSEWHERE. SAID WEST WORKS HARD FOR HIS MONEY AND VALUES THE RESULTS THEREOF ACCORDINGLY. WEST HAS DISCOVERED THAT EMPTIER STOMACHS THAN THOSE OF AIRCRAFT COMMUNICATORS "THERE ARE NO EMPTIER THAN". NEXT TIME HE WON'T ORDER POTATO CHIPS.

CAC McMURRAY AVOWS THAT IF NEXT WINTER IS AS COLD AS THIS ONE HAS BEEN HE WILL GROW A BEARD AND AT LEAST KEEP HIS FACE WARM.

WE HEAR THAT JERRY CURTIS MAKES WONDERFUL POTATO SALAD. METHINKS HE LIKES TO REMINISCE OF THOSE DEAR DAYS BACK IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA.

LET IT BE KNOWN THAT A CERTAIN CONTROLLER IN APT. B OF FOURTH AND NOBEL AS OF THIS DATE DENIES STEALING WOOD FROM APT. C, COLD WEATHER NOTWITHSTANDING.

THE OLD FAITHFUL HOT-PLATE WHICH TURNED OUT SO MANY POTS OF DELICIOUS (???) COFFEE FOR THE CONTROL STATION HAS FINALLY GIVEN UP. SO MANY REPAIRS HAD BEEN MADE TO THE COIL THAT TOWARD THE LAST ONLY ABOUT TWO INCHES OF THE HEATING ELEMENT WERE LEFT, THE REST BEING SUNDRY AND ASSORTED WIRES, SOLDER, NUTS AND BOLTS, ETC. THE OTHER DAY THE ONLY RESPONSE WHEN IT WAS PLUGGED IN WAS A DULL SNAP ACCOMPANIED BY LARGE AND VARI-COLORED FLUSHES. REPAIR WAS BEYOND THE QUESTION; IT VIRTUALLY BURNED ITSELF UP. THIS WROTE FINIS TO A TORRID CAREER. SHE WAS BURIED IN THE INCINERATOR WITH FULL HONORS AND MANY REGRETS.

IF ANYONE KNOWS OF A SPARE AIRCRAFT COMMUNICATOR FLOATING AROUND, PLEASE WISE US UP. BILL YOUNPI HAD A DAY OFF LAST WEEK AND THE SHOCK WAS SO GREAT HE BECAME UNNERVED AND SHOWED UP AT THE STATION TO REGAIN HIS COMPOSURE.

IS THIS RUMOR ABOUT SAM SILVER AND A BEAUTIFUL BRUNETTE FOUNDED? WE UNDERSTAND SHE'S A MUSICIAN, TOO.

RANDOM OBSERVATION: THE MAIL SITUATION HERE IS LIKE THE REPUTED MONEY SITUATION IN THE UNITED STATES; 90% OF IT IS IN THE HANDS OF 10% OF THE PERSONNEL. HOW DO THEY DO IT? WE THOUGHT WE HAD TRIED EVERYTHING.

RMS GRAY DROPPED FAST WITH A LITTLE GROGGET WHICH HE ALLEGES HAS CAUSED MUCH GRIEF AND MANY A TELNO TO BE SENT ABOUT 302. IT HAS SOMETHING TO DO WITH RELAYS WHICH IT DIDN'T DO, OR SOME SUCH THING. WE WERE GLAD TO HEAR THAT, AS WE NEVER KNEW FROM ONE MINUTE TO THE NEXT WHETHER WE WERE "ON THE AIR" OR NOT. GRAY ALSO ADVISES THAT HE AND HIS FAMILY ARE ABOUT TO TAKE UP RESIDENCE AT THE NEW TRANSMITTER SITE. THE MOVE IS NOT BEING MADE WITHOUT SOME MISGIVING, HOWEVER. SEEMS THAT THE ROAD OUT THERE, 4 1/2 MILES OF IT, GETS VERY, VERY SPONGY COME THE THAW AND IS NOTHING SHORT OF A NIGHTMARE TO DRIVE ON, OR IN. EXPECT GRAY TO SUBMIT HUGE ORDERS TO THE COMMISSARY, JUST IN CASE HE GETS CAUGHT OUT THERE.

OH, WOE, OH, WOE! THE PET OF EVERY GIRL IN THE DRAFTING UNIT HAS LEFT US NEVER TO RETURN. NEVER AGAIN WILL WE SMILE AT THE SUBTLE HUMOR OR FAWN AT THE SLY DIPS OF FRANK CARAWAY. FOR HE AND MRS. CARAWAY HAVE MOVED TO SEATTLE. GOOD-BYE AND GOOD LUCK, FRANK. WE'LL MISS YOU.

WE'VE MISSED HANS RHIGER OF LATE, TOO. HE'S BEEN AT HOME WITH A BADLY INFECTED FOOT. BUT WHEN HE WAS CONVINCED THAT A WELL-PADDED FOOTSTOOL HAD BEEN REQUISITIONED, HE RETURNED TO WORK. HE REPORTED THAT ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1943 HE COMPLETED A SUCCESSFUL SOLO FLIGHT! CONGRATULATIONS, HANS.

THE DRAFTING UNIT HAS ALSO BEEN WITHOUT A FILE CLERK. ALICE ROBINSON HAS BEEN AT HOME WITH TONSILLITIS. TAKE CARE, ALICE, BUT HURRY BACK.

ALACK, ALAS, WE HAVE ONE MORE WOE, CONSTRUCTION UNIT HAS LURED AWAY A GOOD DRAFTSMAN; BUT LEO WILDER HAS GONE ANOTHER STEP UP, CONGRATULATIONS, LEO. DO COME BACK TO VISIT YOUR OLD STOMPING GROUNDS NOW AND AGAIN.

DO YOU WONDER THAT THERE ARE SAD HEARTS IN ROOM 2137 BUT WE WILL BE BRAVE AND WORK ALL THE MORE DILIGENTLY TO PROMOTE THE WAR EFFORT.

SLOPPY JOE EWOLDT REPORTED LATE FOR WORK ONE EVENING A WHILE BACK AND TOLD A TALE OF THE WHEEL OF HIS CAR COMING OFF DOWN THE HIGHWAY A PIECE. THE CAC, BEING A DOUBTFUL SOUL, FIGURED JOE'S TARDINESS WAS OF A MORE LEGITIMATE NATURE AND PROCEEDED TO CALL ALL THE LOCAL BARS AS WELL AS THE HOSPITAL WHEN JOE DID NOT SHOW UP. NO RESULT BEING FORTHCOMING FROM THESE EFFORTS, THE CAC TRIED THE JAIL, BUT IN SOME MANNER JOE PERSUADED THE LOCK-UP MAN TO KEEP MUM. WHEN JOE FINALLY APPEARED AT THE STATION WE ALL BELIEVED HIS STORY - OF COURSE. EVEN GOOD MEN SOMETIMES LAND IN JAIL. JOE IS NOW ONE OF OUR ACE PERFORMERS AT THE KLEINSCHMIDT.

SPRING IS HERE! IF THESE BALMY DAYS DON'T CONVINCE YOU, WITNESS WESTMAN SANS MUKLUKS. THAT PROVES IT. WE THOUGHT HE COULDN'T GET THEM OFF. WEST, ALSO, SHOWED UP LOOKING A LOT LESS LIKE SOMETHING FROM THE FOREST PRIMEVAL, HAVING FORSAKEN HIS VOLUMINOUS AND MULTITUDINOUS FURS FOR A COMMON TOPCOAT.

FOR SOME TIME YOURS TRULY HAD GIVEN CONSIDERATION TO AN APPROPRIATE HEADING FOR THIS COLUMN, SOMETHING PROFOUND AND THOUGHT PROVOKING. NOTHING CAME. THEN WE COMPROMISED OURSELVES AND DECIDED THAT MAYBE JUST SOME CATCHY TITLE WOULD DO. NONE CAME. AT LAST, IN DESPERATION WE DECIDED THAT ANYTHING APPROPRIATE TO THE CONTENTS OF THIS COLUMN WOULD SUFFICE, SOMETHING LIKE FOD FROM FX, OR CHAFF FROM THE CHENA SHORE, BUT NOTHING SUITABLE CAME UP. FINALLY WE MADE THE MISTAKE OF ASKING THE CAC FOR A SUGGESTION, AS A GLANCE AT THIS HEADING TESTIFIES. WELL, WE ASKED FOR IT. (EXIT: SCREAMING).

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## DEPOT DOPE

### SOMETHING NEW HAS BEEN STARTED

A STORK SHOWER WAS GIVEN THE OTHER AFTERNOON IN HONOR OF NED GRIFFIN AND WILLARD JORDET, WITH DECORATIONS CARRIED OUT IN A PINK AND BLUE THEME. THE TABLE WAS DECORATED WITH A STORK HOLDING TWO LARGE BUNDLES OF GIFTS. AS GUESTS LOOKED ON, THE EXPECTANT FATHERS UNWRAPPED THEIR GIFTS, UTTERING EXCLAMATIONS AND WORDS OF THANKS AS RATTLES, LITTLE CANS OF TALCUM POWDER, AND OTHER NECESSITIES WERE REVEALED.

DEPOT SHOP MECHANICS ATTENDED, WEARING THEIR NEW REGULATION UNIFORMS, WAREHOUSEMEN WORE THEIR BEST OVERALLS, AND THE GIRLS DRESSED QUITE INFORMALLY IN SKIRTS AND BLOUSES.

CHARLIE SUMP GAVE A SHORT TALK, WITH WORDS OF ADVICE TO THE GUESTS OF HONOR, AND ALSO A DEMONSTRATION OF THE LATEST METHODS OF FOLDING. IT MIGHT BE ADDED THAT MR. SUMP IS A VETERAN FOLDER.

REFRESHMENTS CONSISTED OF ICE CREAM CONES, ANIMAL CRACKERS, AND CLEO COLA.

### SUCH IS LIFE !

SINCE JACK NEWBAUER TOOK HIS WIFE TO SEE LANA TURNER AND ROBERT TAYLOR IN A SHOW THE OTHER NIGHT, HE HAS BEEN TALKING OF NOTHING ELSE BUT THE LOVELY LANA. WE UNDERSTAND THAT HIS WIFE DOESN'T MIND, AS SHE'S BEEN SIGHING OVER ROBERT TAYLOR.

### EXPLAIN YOURSELF

THOUGH HE CLAIMS TO BE A WOMAN HATER (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF WEALTHY WIDOWS), DOUG DUGGAN HAD A SEAT IN BALDHEADED ROW AT THE USO SHOW THE OTHER NIGHT WHILE THE HULA-HULA DANCER WAS PERFORMING. HOW DO WE KNOW? THAT'S A SECRET.

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ALL CAA EIGHT

NOTAM MUKLUK. ALL MEMBERS COMMA HONORARY OR OTHERWISE INCLUDING TOWER OPERATORS COMMA OF THE A CLIENT AND VENERABLE ORDER OF SHORT SHORT ERS COMMA WHO APPROACH WITHIN OR ENTER AN AREA FIFTY FEET IN CIRCUMFERENCE BOUNDING THE AIRWAY COMMUNICATION STATION AT HOW QUEEN WILL BE CHALLENGED AND MUST PRESENT "I" OR BE FINED THE CUSTOMARY ONE BUCK OR IN LIEU THEREOF ONE TRIT TO THE ENEMY BAR ADVIO (AFTER DAYS WERK BS DO E)

DO SYDER S3125  
JOHN CORR D 04591-41

## ODE TO THE LAST FRONTIER

ALASKA AIN'T THE PLACE FOR GOILS,  
THAT'S USED TO THINGS THAT'S FINE,  
THAT'S USED TO LOTS OF CATERIN'  
AND CHASIN' ALL THE TIME.

IT AIN'T THE PLACE FOR NICETIES,  
FOR SILKS AND TOE-LESS SHOES;  
IT AIN'T THE PLACE FOR GLAMOR GOILS,  
OR THOSE WITH STRICT TABOOS.

IT AIN'T THE PLACE FOR HOMESICK DOLLS,  
OR THOSE WHO'RE APT TO GROAN  
WHEN THINGS IS NOT THE WAY THEY WAS  
WITH MAMMA WAY BACK HOME.

NO - ALASKA AIN'T THE PLACE FOR GOILS,  
FOR GOILS AND SKOITS THAT FLIES.  
AN' LATELY I'VE BEEN WONDERIN',  
IF IT'S QUITE THE PLACE FOR GUYS.

### WE SYMPATHIZE

DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE TWO YOUNG LADIES WHO WERE GOING TO A WEDDING RECEPTION THE OTHER NIGHT, ALL DRESSED UP IN THEIR SUNDAY-GO-TO-MEETIN' CLOTHES? THEY WERE HURRYING ALONG THE MIDDLE OF THE ROAD AS FAST AS THEY COULD WITH CONDITIONS BEING WHAT THEY WERE UNDERFOOT, WHEN SUDDENLY ONE OF THEM STARTED SLIPPING. SHE CLUTCHED HER PAL (PROBABLY WITH THE THOUGHT IN MIND THAT IF SHE WERE GOING TO BE THROWN OFF HER DIGNITY, SO SHOULD SAID FRIEND) --SO ! BOOMPS-A-DAISY ! DOWN THEY WENT IN GREAT CONFUSION, LOTS OF MUD - AND UTTER DISGUST ! THERE WAS NOTHING TO DO BUT ABOUT-FACE AND START FROM SCRATCH AGAIN. THIS TIME THE TWO YOUNG LADIES DID NOT HURRY. CAUTIOUSLY AND SEDATELY THEY PICKED THEIR WAY TO THE PARTY, ARRIVING AN HOUR AND A HALF LATE. MORAL: HASTE MAKES A SOW'S EAR OUT OF A SILK PURSE.

### BLUES IN THE HINTERLAND

OR

### COOKING - FROM BAD TO VERSE

AS A STUDENT OF HOME ECONOMICS  
AND THE GLORY OF BEING A CHEF,  
OR THE SCIENCE OF GASTRONOMICS,  
YOU CAN RATE ME ABOUT 4 - F.

FOR SIX LONG MONTHS I'VE BATCHED,  
EVEN SLEPT WITH THE RECIPE BOOK,  
BUT RESULTANT MESSSES COULDN'T BE MATCHED  
BY ANY KIND OF A COOK !

HENCEFORTH, I VOW TO COOK NO MORE,  
LEST CRITICS SAY, WITH WICKED GLEE,  
"FOOD WOULD CERTAINLY WIN THIS WAR  
IF HE'D ONLY COOK FOR THE ENEMY !"

TO AVOID ANY SUCH VERBAL FLAK  
RIGHT NOW I'M ON MY WAY  
TO EXECUTE A FLANK ATTACK  
ON A STEAK - IN A GOOD CAFE !

-- "CHAPPY" CHAPMAN, VQ

FOUND: IN FRONT OF THE PIONEER HALL AFTER THE DANCE FRIDAY NIGHT, ONE TAY GLOVE. OWNER MAY CLAIM IT BY STOPPING AT THE SWITCHBOARD.

## THE ANIAK MONITOR KHDA/AB

SEABROOKS BRYAN RENN, ASSOCIATE AIRWAYS ENGINEER, VISITED THIS STATION ABOUT A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO AND HAD A RATHER LENGTHY CONFERENCE WITH KELLY BUTTE BILL (WILLIS FOR SHORT) COWLES, THE FULL FLEDGED PRE AND ACTING RMS. THE RESULTS OF THE MEETING BETWEEN THESE HIGH OFFICIALS OF THEIR DEPARTMENTS WERE NOT IMMEDIATELY DETERMINED.

THE GANG ALMOST HAD THE ANSWER TO A MUCH DEBATED PROBLEM (WHAT HAPPENS WHEN AN IRRESISTIBLE FORCE HITS AN IMMOVABLE OBJECT) WHEN PILOT C. J. JERRELL FAILED TO BRING FRED NEWSBURN'S WIFE TO THIS LITTLE TOWN ON OR ABOUT JANUARY FOURTH.

CHESTER WRIGHT, THE CARETAKER FOR MK CONSTRUCTION CO. AND THE SOLE DEFENSE OF THE CAA, KEEPS HIS FIREARMS IN READINESS FOR MAN OR BEAST. SO FAR NEITHER HAS CHALLENGED THE ACCURACY OF MR. WRIGHT'S EAGLE EYE.

THE UNEXPECTED MARCH WIND AND JUNE TEMPERATURES THAT SEEM TO BE OPERATING AHEAD OF SCHEDULE HAVE CAUSED CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE TO THE PERSONNEL IN THIS VICINITY. THE LOSS OF SEVERAL NOSES AFTER BEING FULLY THAWED OUT HAS INFLATED THE PRICE OF GAS MASKS. TOO BAD THE GENTLEMAN LEARNING TO BE JACK-OF-ALL-TRADES MADE THE UNFORGIVABLE MISTAKE OF OMITTING PLASTIC SURGERY.

THE BOYS AT THE BACHELOR QUARTERS HAVE RECONDITIONED A DISH TOWEL THE COLOR OF A STOVE RFG. BELIEVE THIS IS JUST A PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE, IN CASE THE WASHING MACHINE BECOMES INOPERATIVE.

WILLIS MONROE COWLES, THE UTILITY BOSS OF THIS NEIGHBORHOOD, KNOWS NO LIMITS WHEN IT COMES TO PLANNING PROGRAMS FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS. AT THIS WRITING THE MIGHTY BILL HAS AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES ON HIS BRAIN. CLAIMS ALL THE FLAT COUNTRY ALONG THE RIVER SHOULD BE CULTIVATED BY THE MOST ECONOMICAL METHOD. ANYWAY, HE'S CARRYING ON SOME HAIR RAISING CONVERSATIONS ABOUT THE MATTER.

THOSE CARRIER PIGEONS UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE CHIEF OF THE COMMUNICATIONS BRANCH (MUKLUK TELEGRAPH, JANUARY 1943) NEED SOME IDENTIFICATION WHILE OPERATING IN THIS VICINITY. A SMALL CAPSULE ATTACHED TO THE LITTLE BIRD WILL BY NO MEANS MAKE AN IMPRESSION ON THOSE BLOOD-THIRSTY VILLAINS AT THE BACHELOR QUARTERS, WHO ARE OVERANXIOUS TO REPLACE THE RABBIT STEW ALA-MODE DISH WITH ANYTHING THAT HAS MEAT ON IT.

FRED NEWSBURN, THE PROPAGANDIST FOR THE MUKLUK TELEGRAPH, HAS JUST COMPLETED A COURSE VIA THE MAIL ROUTE, "HOW TO MAKE FRIENDS". POSTPONED HIS GRADUATION SPEECH IN FRONT OF THE MAIL BOX TO MAKE A SPECIAL WEATHER REPORT. WONDER WHAT STAR GAZER INSERTED THAT CLAUSE IN CIRCULAR "N".

AS HEAD OF THE BRASS POUNDING DEPARTMENT AND LOCAL FORECAST CENTER, FRED IS LIKE THE DOCTOR, "NOT ALWAYS RIGHT, BUT IT'S BEST TO TAKE HIS WORD".

## AIRWAYS ENGINEERING

PERSONNEL IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MOVE AT A PACE THAT MAKES IT HARD TO BE AWARE OF THEIR WHEREABOUTS. JUST BACK JOURNS IN THE STATES ARE ENGINEERS L. GIN, ARLEY ROBINSON AND JOHN LYNCH.

THE TALL TEXAN FROM DOWN HOMER W. GAN HOLMES, WAS IN FOR A FEW DAYS BEING FOR A VACATION OUTSIDE. HE WAS LOWED BY MAHLON HARRIS.

A RECENT ADDITION IS CHARLES H. ASSISTANT AIRWAYS ENGINEER, WHO IS NO TO THE CONSTRUCTION UNIT, WELCOME TO REGION. OTHER NEW PAGES IN THE PERRY MCCLAIN FROM MAKNEK, RALPH WES KENAI AND JERRY HOWARD FROM ILIAMA. SON SLEW IN FROM THE ARCTIC SHORES FULL OF MUKLUKS AND A BAG OF STORIES

MORTON SHUTTS IS BACK AFTER AN IL CONFINED HIM TO HIS HOME IN SEWARD WEEKS.

ROBERT LYLE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED TO AND HAS GONE TO TAKE UP HIS DUTIE CITY.

"HAPPY" HENKEL BREEZED IN FROM WITH THE GOOD NEWS THAT SOUTHERN CO. STILL SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. AH - FO RONADO NIGHTS !

### VITAL STATISTICS

IRETON: BORN FEBRUARY 9TH, TO A JOHN IRETON, A SON, JOHN ALBERT.

KEMPTON: BORN FEBRUARY 5TH, TO M JERRY KEMPTON, A DAUGHTER, TANA GAIL

NAPPE: BORN FEBRUARY 22ND, TO M LESLIE NAPPE, A SON, GARY WAYNE 8 POUNDS, 8 OUNCES.

SPALDING: BORN FEBRUARY 14TH, TO M ROBERT SPALDING, A DAUGHTER, ROBEA WEIGHT, 6 POUNDS, 11 OUNCES.

WAYNE L. CAMPBELL (L FOR LOVEABLE ERPILLAR KID, AND MY MY KOLEA, A N OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ANIAK MAN, IN HAND TO PLACE THE DISABLED TRAC OPERATION. THIS TRACTOR HAS BEEN A PROBLEM CHILD TO MR. CAMPBELL AND A THE BOYS AT HEADQUARTERS.

THE MONITOR'S AWARD FOR THE MONTH ARY GOES TO REVEREND COWLES, WHO H IMPORTANT PART IN SOCIAL AFFAIRS CITY. THE RMS PLAYED A VERY WCTH COUPLE OF WEDDING CEREMONIES AND CAPED THE BONDS OF MATRIMONY HIMSELF MINDS US OF A FAMOUS VERSE.

"IT'S SWEET TO COURT, BUT OH, HOI TO COURT A GIRL, AND THEN NOT G

(BETTER LUCK NEXT TIME, BILL.)

## INTRODUCTION TO A TYPEWRITER

IN THE DAILY COURSE OF EVENTS, ONE MEETS A TYPEWRITER, A MECHANICAL MARVEL OF GADGETS, BUTTONS, LEVERS, ETC. IN ORDER TO BETTER KNOW YOUR TYPEWRITER THE FIRST THING ONE SHOULD DO IS CHANGE THE RIBBON. DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS FOLLOW:

THE FIRST THING TO DO IS TO STARE AT THE TYPEWRITER FOR A GOOD TWO HOURS, MEMORIZING JUST HOW THE OLD RIBBON IS FIXED IN THE MACHINE. IT IS EVEN WISE TO DRAW A LITTLE DIAGRAM OF THIS, BECAUSE YOU WILL FIND THAT ONCE THE OLD RIBBON IS REMOVED YOU WILL HAVE FORGOTTEN HOW THE RIBBON WOUND ITS WAY THROUGH THE LITTLE JIGGERS AND DOODADS THAT HOLD IT.

NOW, OPEN THE NEW RIBBON. NOW, PUT THE NEW RIBBON AWAY. NO ONE EVER OPENED A FIRST NEW RIBBON AND FOUND IT TO BE THE RIGHT MAKE, SIZE AND SHAPE. NOW, OPEN ANOTHER NEW RIBBON. THIS ONE, IF YOU'RE LUCKY, IS THE RIGHT ONE. NOW, GO CHASE THE NEW RIBBON, WHICH HAS FALLEN FROM YOUR HANDS AND UNWOUND ALL THE WAY INTO THE NEXT ROOM. AFTER YOU HAVE REWOUND THE NEW RIBBON, DON'T BOTHER TO WASH, BECAUSE YOU ARE JUST STARTING TO GET DIRTY.

THE BIG MOMENT IS NOW AT HAND. THE TIME HAS COME TO PUT THE RIGHT SPOOL ON THE REVOLVING BUSINESS ON THE RIGHT. BE SURE THAT THE ARROWS ARE POINTING THE RIGHT WAY, AND THAT EVERYTHING SNAPS INTO PLACE. NOW, DO THE SAME WITH THE LEFT SPOOL. AT THIS POINT IT IS EXCUSABLE TO GO AND WASH UP, WHETHER YOU KNOW IT OR NOT, YOU ARE BLACK WITH INK FROM HEAD TO FOOT, AND NEED ONLY TO DROP TO YOUR KNEES, ROLL YOUR EYES, AND CLASP YOUR HANDS TO LOOK LIKE AL Jolson ON THE SECOND CHORUS OF "MAMMY". WHEN YOU RETURN ALL SPRUCED UP, RUN THE RIBBON THROUGH THE LITTLE CLAW IN THE CENTER, AND THE TWO LITTLE WATCHMAN-CALLITS ON EACH SIDE. NOW, BY ALL RIGHTS, THE RIBBON SHOULD BE READY TO WORK. HEAVE A SIGH OF RELIEF, GRIN A GRIN, AND START TYPING, ALL THE WHILE WATCHING THE RIBBON TO SEE IF IT IS MOVING, AND GOING FROM ONE SPOOL TO THE OTHER.

IT WON'T MOVE A LICK. IT NEVER DOES. IT JUST SITS THERE, IMPATIENTLY WAITING TO BE WORN OUT IN ONE SPOT, LIKE A CHILD WAITING FOR A SPANKING.

SO, START ALL OVER AGAIN. THIS TIME PUT THE LEFT SPOOL ON THE RIGHT SIDE, AND VICE VERSA. PAY NO ATTENTION TO THE LITTLE ARROWS. KEEP PLUGGING AWAY AND THEN CALL FOR THE REPAIR SHOP AND THEY'LL SEND A MAN OVER. WELL, NOT A MAN, EXACTLY, MORE OF A MAGICIAN, WHO'LL DO THE WHOLE JOB IN TEN MINUTES.

-- HERBERT B. BRIDGES

WAYNE HOUSE, FORMER CLERK AT THE HANGAR, IS NOW TRAINING DOGS FOR THE ARMY AT GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI, ACCORDING TO WORD RECEIVED BY FRIENDS. WAYNE ENLISTED IN DENVER, AND HAS SINCE BEEN STATIONED IN TEXAS, SEATTLE, FORT ROYAL, VIRGINIA, AND NOW GULFPORT. HIS ADDRESS IS C/O ARMY RECREATION AREA, GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI.

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TAKE YOUR CHOICE  
(BEING A DESCRIPTION OF ALASKA AS  
IT WAS TOLD IN JULY 1942 AND AS  
IT WAS REPEATED IN JANUARY 1943)

ALASKA----! THE MAGIC NAME OF A MAGIC LAND OF ENCHANTMENT AT THE TOP OF THE WORLD, COMBINING THE MAJESTY OF ENDLESS MOUNTAIN RANGES, GREEN VALLEYS, MYRIAD PLACID LAKES ALIVE WITH LEAPING TROUT, ENDLESS AGES OF EXOTICALLY BRILLIANT FLOWERS, GLACIERS, VOLCANOES, AND INNUMERABLE TINKLING STREAMLETS AND RUSHING TORRENTS HURRYING TO THEIR RENDEZVOUS WITH THE MIGHTY YUKON. ALASKA---- THE LAND OF GOLD-MINERS AND GOLD, OF SALMON AND SUNSHINE---- AND THE CROWNING GLORY, THE STARS AND STRIPES FLOATING SERENELY OVERHEAD.

-- NEWLY ARRIVED CHEECHAKO

ALAS----KA! THE MISERY NAME OF A MISERY LAND OF DISILLUSIONMENT AT THE OTHER END OF CREATION, COMBINING THE--FORBIDDING WASTELAND OF CRUEL MOUNTAIN RANGES, THE FROZEN DESOLATION OF A SUNLESS DESERT. ALASKA---- A VAST SPRAWLING CONGLOMERATION OF FRIGID ARCTIC WINDS, OF STICKY MUD AND RAIN, THE LAND OF GOLDFISH AND GOLD-DIGGERS, OF BUSTED WATER PIPES, BLASTED HOPES AND BROKEN HEARTS, ICE CLOGGED RAILWAYS, WRECKED AIRPLANES, HUNGRY AND SHIVERING PEOPLE --- A LAND WHOSE LIFEBLOOD IS SLOWED AND CONGEALED, AND WHOSE ONLY BRIGHT HOPE IS PINNED ON THAT CROWNING GLORY --- THE STARS AND STRIPES, FLYING BRAVELY, DEFIANTLY OVERHEAD.

-- DEPARTING CHEECHAKO

(THE FOREGOING IS THE PRODUCT OF A MAN WHO DOESN'T KNOW WHEN HE IS WELL OFF IN A GOOD COUNTRY AND IS NOT GOING TO MOSES POINT.)

## DE DESROCHERS - HUMLING

ON FEBRUARY 22ND THEY WERE WED. JEANETTE DE DESROCHERS, A CIA RED HEAD, AND JACK HUMLING, AN ENGINEER OF FAME, WHO COURTED THIS GIRL AND GAVE HER HIS NAME. A RECEPTION WAS HELD; THEIR FRIENDS GATHERED THERE.

SOME MEN PREFER BLONDES; HE FAVORED RED HAIR.

WITH CAMERA AND FLOOD LIGHTS IN HAND WE ARRIVED AT THE HARRIS ESTABLISHMENT, ANN BEING BOTH HOST AND HOSTESS. JEANETTE WAS BEAUTIFUL IN A LIGHT AQUAMARINE CREPE DRESS, AND JACK WAS GLOATING OVER THE FACT THAT HE AT LAST HAD FOUND SOMEONE TO KEEP HIS STOVE GOING.

JACK'S CRAZY ANTICS BEFORE THE CAMERA CAUSED US NO END OF TROUBLE, BUT WE WERE FINALLY REWARDED WITH A SNAP OF THE HAPPY COUPLE SHARING IN THE CUTTING OF A VERY DECORATIVE THREE-TIER WHITE WEDDING CAKE BEDECKED WITH A MINATURE BRIDE AND GROOM.

AN EVENING OF DANCING WAS ENJOYED. PUNCH AND CLEVER SNACKS WERE SERVED, AND A BIT LATER THE CAKE AND COFFEE. RICE WAS PLENTIFUL. THE CLIMAX WAS REACHED WHEN THE BRIDE AND GROOM CLIMBED OUT THE BEDROOM WINDOW. THEY THOUGHT THIS WAS VERY CLEVER, BUT LITTLE DID THEY KNOW WHAT THE GOOLINS HAD DONE TO NO. 4 IN THE FOSS PARTMENTS.

## U. S. AIRWAY COMMUNICATION STATION KCDW/KIS/HQ

MR. AND MRS. HALDO S. FREDRICKSON HAVE LEFT FOR TV. WE UNDERSTAND FREDDY IS WELL HEELED WITH FISHING AND HUNTING EQUIPMENT. WE HOPE THEIR NEW VENTURE WILL BE A HAPPY ONE.

WE WISH TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK THE MEMBERS OF THE PIGEON LOFT (OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CONTROL TOWER) FOR RECENTLY COMING TO OUR RESCUE. DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER AND IMPASSABLE ROADS, IT APPEARED THAT THE TRUCK WITH THE EVENING SHIFT WOULD ARRIVE LATE AT THE STATION. THE PIGEON LOFT, SEEING THAT AN EMERGENCY EXISTED, CLEARED THE TRUCK TO TAXI DOWN THE RUNWAY IN ORDER TO REACH ITS DESTINATION. WE WONDER IF THIS WAS DONE TO LEND A HAND OR IF THE PIGEONS WANTED TO GET HOME IN TIME FOR DINNER. THANKS A MILLION, ANYWAY.

ONE OF THE MEMBERS AT HQ STOOD GAZING AT THE ECLIPSE AS IT WAS APPROACHING TOTALITY AND REMARKED, "THAT REMINDS ME. I'VE GOT TO TRIM MY TOENAILS TONIGHT."

DURING A RUSH PERIOD, AS COMMUNICATOR MOORHEAD WAS SWINGING AROUND TO GET IN POSITION TO COPY AN EMERGENCY DISPATCH, THE WHEEL OF HIS CHAIR CAUGHT IN ONE OF THE NUMEROUS HOLES IN THE FLOOR. HE WAS THROWN FOR A DOUBLE SOMERSAULT AND LANDED ON HIS HEAD. WE EXPECTED A GROWL. INSTEAD, HE QUIETLY GOT UP, BRUSHED HIMSELF OFF, EMITTED SEVERAL "HAW HAW'S", AND CONTINUED WORKING. MORE MEN LIKE MOORHEAD ARE SORELY NEEDED.

THE FOLLOWING CONVERSATION WAS RECENTLY OVERHEARD COMING IN OVER THE ETHER:

JEFFORD IN NC18: ANCHORAGE TOWER FROM NC18. WHAT'S THE CEILING DOWN THERE?

TOWER OPERATOR, AFTER SHORT PAUSE: I DON'T KNOW, BUT I THINK IT'S CELOTEX.

## NOTICE TO CREEPS WHO GO AROUND RE-ADJUSTING OTHER PEOPLE'S BUGS

IF YOU WANT TO SHOW YOUR APPRECIATION TO THE FELLOW WHO LETS YOU USE HIS BUG BECAUSE YOU DON'T POSSESS ONE,

P L E A S E DON'T CHANGE HIS ADJUSTMENTS.

HAVE YOU EVER LOANED A WRIST WATCH TO SOME DOPE ONLY TO HAVE HIM TAKE IT FOR A SWIM?

HAVE YOU EVER LOANED YOUR NEW CAR TO SOME YAWGOS ONLY TO HAVE HIM TAKE IT OUT AND WRINKLE UP A FENDER?

HAVE YOU EVER HAD SOME LOUNGE LIZARD STEAL THE WIFE WHOM YOU HAD BEEN TRAINING YOUR WAY FOR TEN YEARS?

IF SO, YOU KNOW WHAT WE MEAN. YOU MAY BORROW OUR BUGS, BUT, FOR GOSH-SAKE, DON'T MONKEY WITH OUR ADJUSTMENTS.

-- VOICE OF EXPERIENCE

## LOST AND FOUND DEPARTMENT

FOUND: ELECTRICAL SHOCKS ON THE 300S POSITIONS.

LOST: ONE PERFECTLY GOOD TEMPER. IF FOUND, RETURN TO AUTOMATIC OPERATOR.

FOUND: SEVERAL OPERATORS WITH STIFF NECKS THE DAY AFTER THE ECLIPSE.

## HELP WANTED

WANTED: A MINIMUM OF FIFTEEN RADIO OPERATORS WITH THE FOLLOWING QUALIFICATIONS: (SEE BC20 FOR CLASS A STATION).

MUST BE ABLE TO HANDLE ALL CIRCUITS WITH A MINIMUM OF GRUMBLING. WHEN ASKED TO QXX A CODED TWO HUNDRED WORD MESSAGE, MUST BE ABLE TO CONTROL TEMPER, SMILE, AND LIGHT A CIGARETTE, RATHER THAN THROW THE MILL OUT THE WINDOW AND YELL "I QUIT!"

MUST KEEP OCCUPIED EIGHT HOURS A DAY, RATHER THAN CONTINUALLY FIND FAULT WITH EVERYTHING, KEEPING IN MIND THAT THERE ARE PERSONNEL LOOKING FOR WAYS AND MEANS TO IMPROVE EXISTING FACILITIES, AND EQUIPMENT IS HARD TO GET.

WHEN A STATION THAT IS ASKED TO GA AUTO OR QXX A BOOK OR PULL BACK TEN FEET COMES BACK TEN MINUTES LATER AND SAYS IMI, MUST SMILE, REPEAT THE QUERY AND START TRANSCRIBING. MUST NOT UNDER ANY CONDITION TEAR THE TAPE, THROW OUT THE RECORDER, KICK AT THE CHAIR NOR USE PROFANE LANGUAGE.

MUST KEEP OUT OF THE WATCH SUPERVISOR'S WAY. HE IS BUSY, HAS A HIGH TEMPER, AND KEEPS A LOADED REGULATION 45 IN THE DESK. OPERATORS ARE HARD TO FIND THESE DAYS.

WHEN A LADY COMMUNICATOR WALKS BY HIS POSITION, MUST NOT TURN TO LOOK NOR EMIT A SOFT WHISTLE, THUS MISSING SEVERAL GRP'S ON A DISPATCH OR A COMPLETE WEATHER REPORT AND CAUSING SOME PILOT TO CRASH AND AN OPERATOR IN THE FIELD TO THINK HE'S A LID WHEN ASKING FOR A QXX.

WHEN A MAINTENANCE MAN APPROACHES WITH A GLEAM IN HIS EYE AND TRIES TO TAKE HIS RECEIVER, TELETYPE OR TRANSMITTER, MUST POLITELY ASK HIM TO SEE THE SUPERVISOR. MUST NOT SWEAR AT HIM NOR IN ANY WAY MUTILATE HIS DELICATE FEATURES, AS HE TOO IS SUPPOSED TO BE A HUMAN BEING.

IF THE REMOTE RECEIVERS SEEM TO BE OUT OF TUNE AND A MAINTENANCE MAN IS CALLED TO TUNE THEM, MUST LIGHT A CIGARETTE AND START COPYING MANUAL, AS HE WILL SAY THEY WERE TUNED ONLY LAST NIGHT. IF THE MAINTENANCE MAN IS ENTICED IN AS HE IS PROCEEDING TO THE RECEIVERS, MUST

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KEEP ON GUARD, AS HE WILL INvariably CALL WHEN HE ARRIVES AND ASK IF THE SIGNALS AREN'T BETTER. IF THE RESPONSE IS "YES", HE WILL RETORT "THAT'S FUNNY. I DIDN'T EVEN TOUCH THEM."

SALARY: CAF-6 PLUS 25% DIFFERENTIAL PLUS OVERTIME FOR EIGHT HOURS PER WEEK, MINUS 5% RETIREMENT MINUS 5% VICTORY TAX MINUS 20% FOR BONDS MINUS 20% 1945 INCOME TAX (BEFORE THE HOUSE NOW). WHAT'S LEFT, YOU CAN LIVE ON.\*

WILL BE SEEING YOU NEXT ISSUE.

-- REPORTER PAN X

\*LET'S ANALYZE REPORTER PAN X'S SALARY:

|                                               |                 |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| BASE SALARY FOR CAF-6 IS                      | \$2,300.00      |
| PLUS 25% DIFFERENTIAL                         | 575.00          |
|                                               | <u>2,875.00</u> |
| PLUS 21.6% OVERTIME PAY                       | 622.80          |
|                                               | <u>3,497.80</u> |
| LESS 5% RETIREMENT ON \$2,875.00              | 143.75          |
|                                               | <u>3,354.05</u> |
| LESS 5% VICTORY TAX,<br>\$6.20 PER PAY PERIOD | 148.80          |
|                                               | <u>3,205.25</u> |
| LESS 20% OF \$3,497.80<br>FOR BONDS (NOT BAD) | 699.56          |
|                                               | <u>2,505.69</u> |
| LESS 20% OF \$3,497.80<br>INCOME TAX (MAYBE)  | 699.56          |
| HE HAS LEFT                                   | <u>1,806.12</u> |

HE HAS SAVED AND WILL HAVE RETURNED TO HIM WITH INTEREST:

|                                    |                   |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| RETIREMENT                         | \$143.75          |
| 42% OF VICTORY TAX<br>(IF MARRIED) | 62.50             |
| BONDS                              | <u>699.56</u>     |
|                                    | <u>905.82</u>     |
| HE HAS ACTUALLY                    | <u>\$2,711.94</u> |

NOW LET'S SEE HOW REPORTED PAN X SPENDS HIS TIME:

|                                                                                                                    |                   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| THERE ARE 365 DAYS IN A YEAR<br>OF WHICH HE WORKS 8 HOURS AND HAS<br>16 HOURS OFF OR 2/3 OF HIS<br>TIME IS HIS OWN | 365<br>243<br>122 |
| HE SPENDS 1 HOUR PER DAY OR 1/8 OF<br>HIS TIME TALKING, GETTING A<br>DRINK OF WATER, ETC.                          | 45<br>77<br>25    |
| THERE ARE 52 SUNDAYS EACH YEAR                                                                                     | 52<br>25<br>1     |
| HE GETS 16 DAYS OFF                                                                                                | 24<br>26<br>-2    |
| HE GETS 26 DAYS ANNUAL LEAVE PER YEAR                                                                              | 15<br>-17         |

THE GUY OWES THE GOVERNMENT 17 DAYS AT  
\$8.63 PER DAY OR \$146.71. FINE BUSINESS!

-- DEAD PAN

TO - ALL GREMLINS AND WATCH-TOWERMEN

FROM - COKE TREASURER

SUBJECT - EVERY-SO-OFTEN FINANCIAL REPORT OF  
OUR #18 COKE FUND AND RELATED ITEMS

INDEBTEDNESS - WE STARTED OUR VENTURE INDEBTED TO PROMOTER AND FINANCIER, J. A. S., TO THE AMOUNT OF \$9.40 (FOR HOT PLATE, CASE OF COKE, COFFEE, MILK, AND SUGAR). THIS INDEBTEDNESS WAS INCREASED TO \$21.70, WHEN WE WERE FORCED TO PURCHASE FIVE CASES OF COKE EACH TIME. AGAIN, UNDER PRESSURE, OUR FUND WAS RELIEVED OF \$1.50, AND LATER \$10.00, BY OUR FINANCIER. THUS, OUR PRESENT INDEBTEDNESS IS \$10.20.

FIXED ASSETS - DUE TO THE NATURE OF THINGS, IN UNDERTAKING OUR PRESENT SERVICES WE HAVE BEEN FORCED TO INVEST A CONSIDERABLE SUM IN FIXED ASSETS, SUCH AS COKE BOTTLES, TO THE TUNE OF \$6.00.

LIQUID ASSETS - OUR LIQUID ASSETS CONSIST OF EVAPORATED MILK, COFFEE AND SUGAR DO NOT BECOME LIQUID ASSETS TILL WATER IS ADDED; IT IS IMPORTANT TO BEAR THAT IN MIND. A CONSERVATIVE ESTIMATE OF THESE ASSETS IS \$1.11, TO WHICH WE MUST ADD FIVE CASES OF COKE ON ORDER, WHICH FOR ALL PRACTICAL PURPOSES WILL BE CONSIDERED A LIQUID ASSET. OUR TOTAL LIQUID ASSETS AMOUNT TO \$8.11.

CASH POSITION - OUR CASH ON HAND IS \$5.50 PLUS \$0.90 IN OUR CHANGE FUND. TOTAL, \$6.40.

CASE HISTORY - AN INTERESTING FACT LEARNED FROM OUR COKE CASE HISTORY IS THAT GREMLINS AND WATCH-TOWER PERSONNEL HAVE CONSUMED 19 CASES OF COKE, WITH 5 ON ORDER, THUS TOTALING 24 CASES SINCE OUR START 10 WEEKS AGO.

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| CASH                                | \$6.40       |
| FIXED ASSETS                        | 6.00         |
| LIQUID ASSETS                       | 8.11         |
| TOTAL CASH, FIXED AND LIQUID ASSETS | <u>20.51</u> |
| LESS INDEBTEDNESS                   | <u>10.20</u> |
| NET WORTH                           | <u>10.31</u> |

CONCLUSION - IN REVIEWING THESE FIGURES AND TRENDS WITH GREMLIN GUS AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVES OF DUNN AND BRADSTREET, WE COME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT IF PRESENT TRENDS CONTINUE, WE WILL BE ABLE TO LIQUIDATE OUR DEBT TO J. A. S. AND PERHAPS DECLARE A 6% DIVIDEND TO OUR CAA STOCKHOLDERS BY 1947. THAT IS, IF WE CONTINUE PAYING FOR COKES WITH DINES AND NOT WITH NICKELS OR PENNIES.

HONORABLE TREASURER  
#18 COKE FUND

HIROHITO, WITH POLITE BOW: WHEN THE WAR IS OVER I WILL RULE THE WORLD.

MUSSOLINI: NO. THE GOOD LORD SAID THE MEERK SHALL INHERIT THE EARTH.

HITLER: I DIDN'T SAY THAT!



Zemke

"I don't think that mine operators  
is going to be with us much longer."

Right  
Please