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K-TOWN AUGUST MEETING

THE AUGUST MEETING OF THE K-TOWN 99/4A USERS GROUP WILL BE AT THE HOME OF E.M. SMITH. The time is 7:00 p.m. August 12th. Bob Buehler has graciously agreed to share some of the software which he at sometime in the past acquired from Jim Peterson, better known perhaps as Tigercub.

If I don't devour them before the meeting you will be treated to

oatmeal raisin cookies which Bob brought to the July Meeting and forgot about them until time to adjourn to the Golden Arches. Since oatmeal raisin cookies is one of my favorite cookies Bob has really tested my will. Be sure to attend the August Meeting to learn if the cookies or my will prevailed.

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P R E S I D E N T S F O R U M

As I write this on my trusty FunWeb the thermometer on my desk, in plain sight from where I sit, reads 110 in the sun and the weather man says that it is 100 in the shade. Hardly the situation for literary inspiration! Or any other kind of inspiration. There has been no progress in making Contract Bridge 3.0 smart enough at bidding and play to become version 4.0. I am reaching the very limit of my own Bridge smarts. Maybe, when the weather is cooler, I'll be smarter and get it finished.

My other big project, the Bull family directory, is also nearly at a standstill. There are 176 people on the list but some of my remote relatives have not answered inquiries about the names, birthdates, addresses, spouses, children, grandchildren, etc. that are needed to complete the project. Maybe another letter, controlling the

impatience, will get results. Otherwise, the directory will go out with a good many blanks.

At the moment, the only idea for a program for August is E.M.'s suggestion that we have raisin cookies. We will, indeed, have them and something else, unknown at present, that will be interesting and stimulating besides. Also we can guarantee that it will be cool and hospitable in E.M.'s commodious basement room.

We will get together as usual on the second-Thursday, August 12, at 7:00 at 3506 Garden Drive, adjourning to the Golden Arches about 9:00. See you there!

John H. Bull



CHATTERBOX - 30

BY BOB BUEHLER



Chatter Box continues herewith in the loose-jointed format which seems to have developed kinda naturally, using items and subjects mostly of interest to me. If you're dissatisfied you are invited, even encouraged, more like implored to submit essays of your own. I promise to use my considerable influence to assure their publication. Otherwise, don't gripe!

HAPPY OUTCOMES FROM MISFORTUNES

You know my considered conclusion from many years of observation! Often an event which sensibly and logically is construed to be a misfortune ultimately has a happy conclusion! You'd need to review prior columns to be reminded that a burst and overflowing upstairs commode tank with \$4000+ water damage culminated in a pleasant new room back off our kitchen which is our primary habitat during waking hour of most days! Here's a couple of other examples of my knowing:

Blizzard of '93

Away back in Wisconsin days it would have been sort of ordinary, really rather handy. Better for sledding down steeeeep Cheek's hill. Hard pull up, whiz back down, again and again. Better too for us kids to hop the rear runners of heavy farm sleds going our way. Not so in Mid March '93 here in Tennessee. Headlines were made of it! And for many it was misfortune indeed! **POWER**, that all vital commodity in this modern age, was kaput in wide areas, for days. And telephones too some places. Here at our home it was scary, scary, scary. We're totally dependant on KWhrs! YET, our greatest hardship was lack of it.

Scripps Howard Cable TV -- Our main TV sets tune digitally through the Cable, not even rabbit ears. But my TI-99/4A monitor is a TV with ears. It took some tuning adjustment to get a good picture, but I watched a particular show. Then the happy outcome of this misfortune: When the show was over and I went back to monitor, careful retuning gave me a better delineation than before.

Over the General Local Area -- Dogwood and Redbud were better than ever, and Azalea too; and now trees are greener and thicker than memory serves! Even my puny lawn took a nice spurt. I said as much to a landscape consultant who told me why. That big snow brought down oddies of nitrogen from the sky! Sounded good to me, and it fit my theory of happy outcomes from misfortune, but I thought I'd check it with a soil scientist. Not so, said he. It's the wrong form of nitrogen that comes down with rain and snow, NO_x. Not until this nitrogen enters the soil system and is converted by bacteria to nitrates does it make pretty blooms and grasses. I like the landscaper's idea best darn it, and I'm not real sure he's wrong.

PACKAGING

A big bunch may be said about Packaging! It's a Science. It's an Industry. It's a Business. It's an Art. It's Intriguing. It's Frustrating. It's Comedy. It's a Headache. And lots more that I may be able to report as this continues. For darn sure, often the package must cost more than the contents! Still and all, some packaging has unique merit by virtue of handy.

Containers for Reuse. -- This list is long! The "tin can" may top the list. Actually "tinned can" is more accurate. They really are steel, but in early days a thin coating of tin (a costly metal) prevented corrosion and rust if food was contained. Every Red-Blooded-American has a stash of 'tin cans' in a variety of sizes: For cleaning paint brushes. To form a concrete encasement for the steel pins marking property corners. And thousands of

uses in between, or beyond!.

Next most usefull may be glass baby food jars, two sizes with quick-turn lids. For orderly storage of modest size nuts, bolts, and other fasteners. Prescription containers from the Drug Store fill like uses. And vitamin containers too. And going way back, Prince Albert tobacco cans. I have a few from my wee work shop of grammar school days in Baraboo WI. And later, 16 Oz tobacco cans with press seal lids.

Now forget any order of usefulness. WOW - Plastic bottles! First in my memory are gallon containers for bleach, sodiumhypochlorate. When empty what marvelous floats to mark a trot line. Or to store temporarily all manner of liquids. Even to cut into a usefull scoop; even a funnel. On then to plastic milk bottles which displaced, totally an ancient tradition: The Milkman on his early rounds with reusable glass bottles. This uniquely shaped bottle is now a scarce collectible of some worth!

Yet two others. Nice glass with plastic screw lids that brought instant tea from the store, and peanut butter, too. That's my main and final feature in this dissertation on Containers For Reuse. They were great for storing pecan nuts meats, Hickory too brought from WI, and even Black Walnuts, my real favorite, cracked in my work-shop vise, painstakingly. The peanut butter jars were glass a few years ago, but now they are unbreakable plastic. I can't resist saving these! I soak them under water over night; Scratch off the weakened pulp with finger nails; Dissolve the rings of remaining adhesive with alcohol on a paper towel, maybe twice; and finally wash with liquid Ivory Soap. Result: nice unbreakable container for storing prepared Humming Bird nectar in the frige. and other good things.

ABOUT THOSE PRETTY HUMMING BIRDS

They came early this year. At least four different ones. Suddenly they left, and it was marked by a unique happening. The day was May 4. Late in the day a large hummer sat with wings folded, motionless on one of the feeder perches. Right outside the bay window of that new happy room we'd built. A friend came in by the outside door, which normally frightens a hummer away. Not this time. Collectively we watched and watched and watched. The friend went out and back to get something from his car and the hummer remained. Then I put the timer on, probably after about 15 minutes had already passed. Hummer finally moved it's head and looked about. 32 added minutes on the clock and it finally flew away and hasn't returned. On that day a landscaper had mulched and fertilized shrubbery around the house, including under the hummer feeder. I can only assume that this had some connection. Was that motionless hummer in hopeless prayer for the soles of departed kin? Anyone have a better idea? If and when any hummer return I'll let you know pronto, by 2400 baud modem!

RECIPES

Here's a good one, but first comes some history. I've gulped this nectar in San Francisco, in Florida, in Honolulu, at West Town Mall, but never did it taste better than earlier in Knoxville. An early happy find after

moving from Wisconsin in the mid '30s it was on Gay St across from the then Hamilton Bank. Later on the other side of Gay a few stores north, near Clinch. ORANGE JULIUS is the name. Oranges were squeezed the while we watched, syrup was added, a dash of some mystery powder, and a bunch of crushed ice. Then it was violently mixed in a Waring Blender. The frothy stuff was served in a 10 Oz glass at your counter stool. If smart you'd have ordered a hot dog too, with a smoky flavor not encountered since.

A close friend said he'd seen egg white added in early days. So I improvised by robbing an Angle Food Cake Mix of the powdered egg white. That's what I used in my home made Orange Julius with total success. I had always a container of simple white sugar syrump in the frige.

The name Thelma ?? was associated with Orange Julius in Knoxville. For several years I've carried in a note case a small card with the following recipe, but I don't remember from where I copied it. Here it is. I think you'll like it!

Thelma's Orange Julius

6 Oz can frozen orange concentrate
1 Cup milk 1 Cup water
1/4 - 1/2 Cup sugar 1 tspn vanilla
10 Ice cubes

Mix in blender, but add ice cubes one at a time to avoid damage to blender blades.

By the time this Chatter Box hits the type, an orange Julius will be welcome on hot days. So why not a second similar recipe?

Baptist Orange Julius

6 Oz can frozen orange concentrate
2 Juice cans water 1/2 Cup sugar
1 Tbls Powdered Milk 10 Ice cubes

In blender beat all but ice cubes until smooth Add ice cubes one at a time until slushy. Yield - 4 servings

?A Baptist Church, Knoxville?

Yet to come: For Episcopalians - Frozen daiquiri if I can find recipe.

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Just got it from a friend by phone

Episcopalian Rum Julius

1 Can frozen Limeaide 1 Can Rum
1 Tbsn Sugar (optioani) Ice as needed

Put limeaide and rum in blender. At modest speed begin adding ice cubes, one at a time. Keep adding until totally slushy

Repeat in one hour if you can wait that long

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LATE STUFF

About those humming birds-- last seen on May 14. Days followed. Weeks too. Ants climbed down the feeder hanger rod, through narrow reservoir slots of engineered width to fit a humming bird beak, then swimming up into the supply tube, to be trapped and drowned!

With faint hope the feeder was well cleaned and refilled. More ants, dead and dying, but no hummers.

Process repeated. Hope almost lost!

FINALLY on July 13 a Ruby Throat hovered, swigged lustily, and sailed away. Now another feeder cleaning and

filling and the hummers seem to be back. But not in numbers like last year.

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POTPOURRI

BY BILL SHERIDAN



Know more miss steaks
From the Great Lakes newsletter,
February, 1993

It's a good idea not to become too dependant on the spell check feature on your computer. Even though you may have spelled a word correctly, most spell checks will not catch when you've used the wrong form of a word. For

example, if you used "too", but meant to use "to", a spell check will not red flag this as an error. To find out what we mean, take a look at the poem below taken from the November 1992 issue of Communications Briefings.

LETTER PERFECT

I have a spelling checker
It came with my PC.
It plainly marks for my revue
Mistakes I cannot see.
I've run this poem threw it,
I'm sure your please to no.
It's letter perfect in its weigh;
My checker told me sew.

CRAZY LANGUAGE "ENGLISH"

From the Lehigh 99'ers User Group --- author unknown

We begin with BOX, the plural is BOXES,
then the plural of OX is OXEN not OXES.
Then one is GOOSE and two are called GEESE,
yet the plural of MOOSE is never MEECE.
You may find a lone MOUSE or a nest of MICE,
yet the plural of HOUSE is HOUSES not NICE.
If I spoke of my FOOT and show you my FEET,
and gave you a BOOT would a pair be BEET?
Then one may be THAT and two may be THOSE,
yet HAT in plural would never be HOSE.
We speak of a BROTHER and also of BROTHERN,
but though we say MOTHER, never say MOTHERN.
The masculine pronouns are HE, HIS, and HIM,
imagine the feminine SHE, SHIS, and SHIM.
So ENGLISH, I fancy that you will agree,
is the craftiest language that you ever did see.

NOTE: ARE YOU PAYING TOO MUCH INTEREST ON YOUR LOAN?

This is just one of the many programs that appeared under the below heading in the July issue of the LITI newsletter. After typing in the program and running it to check for errors, I used the CHECKSUM program to add checksums to each line. Load and Run CHECK before copying the program to check for typo errors. - ED

TIPS FROM TIGERCUB

No. 68
Tigercub Software
156 Collingwood Ave.
Columbus, OH 43213

The only honest way to
compute interest on a loan
is on the unpaid balance.

although the banks and finance companies have devised more complicated and profitable ways. If you want to make an honest loan, here is how to do it -

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90 CALL CLEAR !209
100 DISPLAY AT(3,1)ERASE ALL
:"SIMPLE INTEREST CALCULATOR
":": "For interest to be cal
cu   lated monthly on unpai
d   balance." !097
110 DISPLAY AT(9,1): "Printer
? PIO" :: ACCEPT AT(9,10)SIZ
E(-20):P# !221
120 DISPLAY AT(11,1): "Amount
loaned? $" :: ACCEPT AT(11,
17)VALIDATE(NUMERIC):A !203
130 DISPLAY AT(13,1): "Inter
est rate? %" :: ACCEPT AT
(13,16)SIZE(4)VALIDATE(NUMER
IC):X !210
140 IF X<1 THEN DISPLAY AT(1
:: GOTO 130 !179
150 DISPLAY AT(15,1): "Monthl
y payments of $" :: ACCEPT A
T(15,22)VALIDATE(NUMERIC ):P
!014
160 DISPLAY AT(17,1): "Beginn
ing in month (1-12) of yea
r" !131
170 ACCEPT AT(17,27)VALIDATE
(DIGIT):M :: ACCEPT AT(18,9)
VALIDATE(DIGIT):Y !060

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180 DATA JAN,FEB,MAR,APR,MAY
,JUN,JUL,AUG,SEP,OCT,NOV,DEC
!090
190 X=X/100 :: DIM M$(12)::
FOR J=1 TO 12 :: READ M$(J):
: NEXT J !054
200 OPEN #1:P#,VARIABLE 254
:: PRINT #1:CHR$(27)&"E"&CHR
$(27)&"E"&CHR$(27)&"N"&CHR$(
6)&CHR$(27)&"M": !106
210 PRINT #1:"$";STR$(A):" F
INANCSD AT ";STR$(X*100);"%
WITH MONTHLY PAYMENTS OF,$";
STR$(P);" BEGINNING ";M$(M);
Y:"" !160
220 I=A*X/12 :: TI=TI+I :: A
=A+I-F !182
230 PRINT #1:M$(M);Y;" PAYME
NT $";STR$(P);" OF "; 219
240 PRINT #1,USING "####.##"
:I:: PRINT #1:" INTEREST AN
D ": !169
250 PRINT #1,USING "$####.##"
:P-I;:: PRINT #1:" PRINCIPA
L - BALANCE OF "; !046
260 PRINT #1,USING "$####.##"
:A !025
270 M=M+1 :: IF M=13 THEN M=
1 :: Y=Y+1 !180
280 IF A>P THEN 220 !042
290 PRINT #1,USING "FINAL PA
YMENT ####.##":A :: PRINT #1
,USING "TOTAL INTEREST PAYCD
####.##":TI !162

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NOTE: When running program, enter either PIO or R8232.BAxxxx for the name of the printer, not Y or N. The name, P#, is used in line 200.

MINUTES OF JULY 08, 1993

Attendance built slowly, finally reaching 7, a comfortable number! I arrived first as usual for good reason. I've gotten too stiff to position my head, neck, and torso to back into a parking space efficiently. So I take as many "cuts" as necessary to fit the first space in the rear row of three. Often EM hears my clanking 1980 Diesel Pontiac (the best car I ever had except two VW Bugs) and comes out with arm and hand singles, but not this time. I'd just fitted into the slot when Dennis arrived in camouflage. He'd swapped his larger VAN for a smaller one that his wife can drive more easily. Bill Sheridan was soon after. Even that's enough to have a good time.

PROGRAM

Nothing had been scheduled. So what? EM was showing a Patriotic Flag and Music program, with Fireworks. I'd seen it YEARS ago at the first K-Towner meeting I attended. It was at Fountain City Park in the Lions Club Community Building. Mighty nice to remember. EM has given me nodules of help ever since, I hope he hasn't stopped yet.

We were waiting for Prexy John Bull to call us to order, delayed, however, by bumper-to-bumper traffic at highway improvements that say never get finished. Graphics got continued by Bill Sheridan who showed some beauties from where I don't remember. That TI wasn't behind the

door when good computer graphics were passed out.

Next John ran a DSK catalog program that would print in three columns on a DSK Jacket, but it had a wee flaw. Seems a final line wouldn't print even though a "counter" (I call it) had read ZERO. Art Gibson, by then present, got into the driver's seat to help. No one asked me. I'd have made the "counter" read -ZERO to correct the trouble. But between John and Art they got it working. EM had wanted this to help keep track of the hundreds of graphics and mottos that go into his superb programming of the NEWSLETTER. I haven't watched production lately, but I expect Editor Sheridan is as involved too.

About this time I confessed having along a program from TIGER Club called DISCOVER. It printed in SIX columns which was too tiny for EM because a magnifier wasn't included for reading the fine print. I also had ELF along from TIGER Club. ELF stands for Easy Label Factory. 3" X 15/16" labels may have 5, 7, or 11 lines. 4" X 29/16" labels may have 5, 11, or 17 lines. Each line may have any desired font choice. Any number of copies may be printed and any label may be saved to DSK to preserve for future use. I think it's great, but no one seemed impressed! Incidentally, neither DISCOVER nor ELF would print until Art Gibson corrected some print controls for me a long time ago.

During this processing Joe Simmons arrived, slouched into a back lounge chair and took a nice nap. Like he did going to and from on the trip to LIMA, Bill driving. Joe was wide awake at the adjournment to McDonalds.

We worried that Paul Blevins was still missing. He copies and mails the Newsletter from Rugby, TN, and the letter was some late this time. I finally called him on Sunday after. Ok, just had a busy week and too tired to make the long, hot trip to K-Town. Reason enough.

TWO THINGS:

were learned by EM and me, and EM demanded the minutes so show. If you have an X-Basic program on the monitor, CALL MENU will do just that: show John Johnson's great MENU in working condition on the monitor. FCTN 9, will return to the X-Basic program in running condition.

My version of Funnelweb wont show directory (SD) for files A, B, C, D, ETC. Oh yes it will: By entering 17 for A, 18 for B, 19 for C, ETC. Use ASCII codes from page 196 in X-Basic manual, but subtract 48 from the listed values. ASCII A is 65, that minus 48 is 17. If I remember, John Bull tossed this one to us. Thanks!

A LITTLE MORE TOO, 7/10/93.

Just now I remember that Jack Saughrue's PLUS package has a DSK catalog and Jacket print program. It's called 3/COL. It may be personalized easily. Going to line 220 you may enter your own name and the year date. In running the program itself you can enter day and month. I ran my 1992 correspondence letter DSK through 3/COL. It printed 57 files, using 633 Sectors, in a 2" vertical by 4.5" space. If I can read it, EM surely can. I can. In my PLUS file I found a jacket I'd printed on Print Paper, then cut, folded, and pasted to standard jacket size.

I'll bring 3/COL and my 1992 printed letter catalog, and ELF too, next time we meet. If I can remember.

At the meeting, and at McDonalds too I was told how to correct my Horizon to give MENU on power up. I tried late that night, unsuccessfully. EM, since, has some other ideas, not yet tried. All my Horizon troubles came in coincidence with wiping out my entire recipe file, so I've spent weeks restoring and fixing. Still, it's better than watching the BOOB-TUBE, except SEC football and the Super Bowl!

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STUMBLINGS

BY

JOE

SIMMONS



Have you ever stumbled on to a new technique either at the computer or in another club's newsletter? If so, this column is for you. The geniuses WILL be so deep in thought that they will never know that they missed these stumbles! Enough gibberish.

Recently while running the MultiPlan MP through its paces, I relearned some of the basics which some of you may have mislaid. Spreadsheet calculations are the short hand for mathematicians.

One was, assuming that you have universal recalculate off, that you can recalculate an individual cell through the use of the edit key. Often this is very helpful due to the long time of 3 minutes or more for MP to recalculate the entire worksheet.

I found that one can not copy a row of cells more than one row or column at a time. This is very inconvenient; however, MP will allow the same instructions be prompted by the computer to prevent you from having to replace the instructions each time.

Unlike Lotus 1,2,3, MP will allow one to copy the contents from one cell to as many as five other cell locations with one command if one will place commas between the target cell addresses.

On Xternal copy, one needs to have named the cell or field

before hand and have saved the file to disk. Otherwise, it will never be found when Xternal Copy is initiated.

Using a file created by Lloyd Wilson of the Athens Computer Club one can embed printer controls into your worksheet so that it will print the fronts allowed with the Gemini 10-X printer.

In a December issue of the PUG PERIPHERAL (Pittsburgh User's Group newsletter) I ran across these helpful MultiPlan haalps which I thought I would pass along in abbreviate form.

1. When you make up a back up copy of MP you must name your diskette TIMP.

2. To increase the response time of MP you should file copy the following files in the following order: OVERLAY, MPHELP, MPCHAR, MPDATA, MPINTR, and then MPBASE.

3. After you become familiar with MP you can eliminate the MPHELP (help file) from you work disk and there by free 158 sectors for data. (A neat idea; why did I not think of it?)

4. Normally when I first enter MP, I press options and space over the recalculate option to (no), and press enter. This makes MP not recalculate unless I press function 8. Otherwise, it has to recalculate after each entry!

5. Also, I press transfer, control Z, and type in (DSK2), and press enter. This makes the default drive two when saving data.

6. In the PUE it noted that you could find MPINTR at sector 22 and could use a disk editor to permanently change the default to what ever disk drive you choose.

7. As I continue to browse through the newsletters I have found a useful tip which Audrey passed along in the September 1988 newsletter on MultiPlan. It reads as follows:

"If you have a MP data disk with more than eighteen files on it, you may have wondered how to catalog the disk as the screen will only show the first eighteen files when you use the arrow for a directory. From the New Jug North comes the following instructions. When the eighteen files are displayed on the screen, place the cell pointer on the last filename and press REDO (function 8). The screen will redraw and display TRANSFER LOAD filename: where filename is the last filename of the previous directory displayed. The message line will now display "Enter a filename (arrow for directory)".

Press function down arrow to display additional filenames beginning with the last filename on the previous display. Attempting to access (T)ransfer, (L)oad without any files on the disk or without a disk in the drive will cause the computer to lock up. To cancel the show directory command, press CTRL+ OR CTRL C."

A Weird Feeling

is to find that one has missed the core of the meeting. When I arrived, a catalog program was being revised with input from Art, John, E.M., Bob, Dennis and Bill were conversing. Suddenly, everyone was going to our favorite arches. When I asked what happened to the catalog program, someone remarked that even the dead can feel when their shoes are being roasted!

A New Day

A public consumer by product of growing fiber for our newsprint will other than beauty and oxygen is black berries! and Huckle (Blue) berries! They are currently ripe and I have spent one evening and one Saturday afternoon picking and eating. Ellen, has prepared one black berry cobbler and it was devoured! I am anticipating her next cobbler! One caution on the blue berries. Since small rodents like these berries, be on the look out and do not surprise the rodent's predator the snake. The timber rattler is often found near huckle berries.

The Natural Order or Balance of Nature

Watching the flood in the mid-west makes me pause to wonder.

Many are questioning one another, local politicians, U.S. Corps. of Engineers and GOD.

In our world today, there are many different agendas held by as many people.

Understanding how irrelevant Evolution is to our past and present existence one has only to look at the Flood to realize that past significant happenings only happen in a catastrophic manner.

Man's intervention can be compatible or can only create further problems. Following this train of thought, TVA's dams control the damaging effects of floods by creating a permanent flood behind their dams. The U.S. Corps of Engineer's levies protect cities and communities built in the flood plains but in so doing they cause the river to channel and thus increase its velocity. Prior to the levies, the river spread out across its flood basin depositing soils from one spot to another and lost most of its velocity. Later, it subsided. If man would not build living structures within the flood plain, only farm the plains, the damaging effects of the floods would be minimized.

The problems with man is that he tries to control the natural order or balance and in so doing causes further problems. As a forester who manages resources over many years, a pulpwood rotation is half a life time at 25 to 30 years, I see urban dwellers who apply half knowledge and destroy their own foundations. What is the saying Devil's play ground. Well meaning people are either joining or creating organizations which are trying to place our farm lands into national parks. They seem to forget that conservation is the wise use of all of our resources - not the preservation of our resources! If we should preserve all of our lands, where would you get your meat, bread, fuel, building materials, etc.?

I have said the above to say this. We need to learn to live with the river and not hinder its movements. We should not build bigger and better levies, we should decide not to build any more levies that disrupt the natural flow of the river. We should build levies, dams, bridges, utilities which are compatible with the river. When one builds a road, one crosses streams and has found that it is best to allow the water to get across or under the road in a peaceful fashion. To try to direct the water where it doesn't want to go invites disaster.

YOU, the reader, look in your own community and see your own examples as to the folly of man in his attempts to keep nature under his control. When man is successful, does he cause further harm elsewhere? When we were few, we could treat nature in our own backyard with impunity. But, now with the masses of man, we need to choose our alternatives wisely!

Preparing this newsletter, I relearned the technique of merging articles from different files. After one has loaded the file into which you wish to merge a file which is on a disk, one follows the "(A B C DSKx.filename)" format. Let A equal the line number of the loaded file after which you wish to merge on external file. Let B equal the first line and C equal the last line number of the external file you wish to merge and DSKx.filename equal the drive and file name you are wishing to merge. If the preceding is clear as mud, experiment until it works.

Enough stumblings this 27 day of July 1993. Let us see if we can make this to E.M. or Bill.//Joe.

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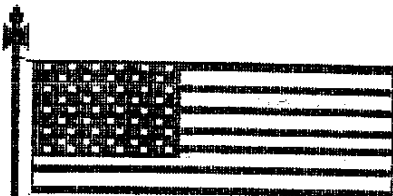
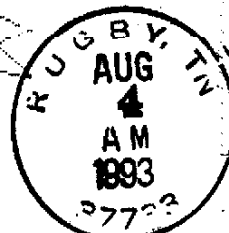
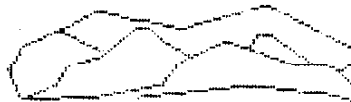
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