

This is , published for APA L, 66th distribution, 1484th LASFS meeting, by Kalimac Brandagamba, of the Labyrinth Duquesne. I'll be at Bag End (789-2860) until this Sa urday. After that, try 385-1259.

The impossible we
did yesterday--

I will pay \$cash\$ for an
old style CDC or similar
flow chart template.

the inconceivable
may take us a few
minutes longer.

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I was temporarily acting as A sistant OC First Class for awhile last week, then was called away to talk to Lee Molho. I collected my disty, and went out to talk, leaving 5/8 behind to pick up Rosharn's and (I thought) Greg Shaw's disties. At Carolina Pines she told me that she had left Jack's disty in the back seat of my car, but it didn't register over the growling of my as yet unfed stomach. At around 11:30, Jack got back from the HASI and asked about his disty. This reminded me that I had forgotten to get Jack's and Greg's distys. (However, it didn't trigger the recollection that Helen had put his disty in my back seat.) So I quickly came up with a plan to 1) mail my disty to Greg immediately, since it would take 2 days to reach him, and 2) drive out to Long Beach Saturday to get the other "2" disties. I got an envelope from Jack, put "Greg's" disty in it, and mailed it Friday afternoon from Terminal Annex when I went in to pay a parking ticket. Saturday I called Helen up to ask her about the "disties". She informed me that she had only collected Harness's copy, and reminded me that she had left it in the back seat. I thought, "OK, so if nobody collected a disty for Greg, Fred Patten probably still has it."

So, Sunday afternoon I called Fred and asked him if I could come and get a disty to replace the one I had sent to Shaw. He hesitated a moment, then said yes. So I drove over, and when I got there, it turned out that there were no extra completes, due to the high attendance at the meeting, and that no copy had been held for Shaw, a non-contributor, but none of the incompletes had been given out. Then the Cultist dumped all the surplus stock, incompletes and all, on me.

But things worked out for the best after all. Incomplete #1 was only missing two zines, and I managed to locate those in the surplus stock. I then checked the result against Jack's disty and it was, indeed, complete. Luck was with me this week.

YOU CAN'T BELIEVE EVERYTHING YOU READ IN THE PAPERS, DEPT.,
or Distn comments on the LA times.

The LA times letters to the editor page had a rather interesting letter in it yesterday:

Once again motor vehicle license renewal time
has rolled around, with its familiar reminder of the

basic iniquity of the fee schedule in the State of California.

As the fee scale is now ordered, registration and renewal fees are based on the monetary value of the individual vehicle. One wonders at the logic used to set up such a system. A logical look at the situation will tell us that while a big four passenger luxury sedan might cost the same as (or less than) a small, luxury sports model, the bigger car's greater weight and horsepower will cause much more wear and tear to our streets and highways than the lighter weight and less powerful auto.

Monetary value is a poor basis for taxation of automobiles; if our motor vehicle, registration/renewal fees were based on a weight-horsepower scale, we would have a realistic basis in which each vehicle would be charged a truly proportionate share of highway and roadway costs.

JOHN G. TRIMBLE
Garden Grove

Your complaints about paying a fair share of highway costs shows how long it has been since you put any gas in the OnKmobile. Ethyl gas now runs about 33 cents to the gallon, with 11 cents of it going to pay for highway costs. Since I get 10 to 12 miles to the gallon (at present, when the car has just been lubed), this means that I pay 1 ¢ a mile for the use of the roads. I would estimate that your microbus weighs about 1/3 what my car weighs, and you probably get 25 or more miles to a gallon of regular. This means that you pay approximately 1/3 ¢ per mile to use our roadways. On that basis, I'd say that I'm paying my fair share of highway costs. As far as a reason for a tax based on car value goes, ever hear of the graduated income tax? Someday when I have the time I'll explain Keynes to you.

This is not directed against you, personally, but is a general complaint about drivers of small economy cars who forget that it costs a lot to keep a big car going, and a large portion of that comes back into the state coffers.

66 FØRMAT(6Hbbbbbb), being random comments on the 65th dwp.

FARGAS #7 (Dwain Kaiser): Do your contrib for "AI", Dwain Kaiser.

RABANOS RADIOACTIVOS #65 (Fred Patten): As far as having Steve Barr or James Wright in APA L is concerned, I doubt that we have anyone who would agent for either of them. I wouldn't...I get more than my fill of Steve Barr in TAPS, and I don't think we need anyone who says he will get us all in trouble. Mind you, I'm not opposed to letting them in APA L, it's just that I won't agent for someone whom I dislike.

The bit of appearing on the parapet of Sleeping Beauty's Castle might easily be pulled off if you used an apolitical XXXX costume, rather than a NAZI uniform.

The public and, quite probably the officials, would think it was an approved publicity stunt. As insurance, however, it would be best to wear a peroxide jump ~~KXXX~~ belt.

ROWRBAZZLE #9 (June Konigsberg): No it isn't the Year of the Elephant. It's only the 6'month of the Elephant, unless Bruce' decides to run again in June.

PROBABLY SOMETHING #7 (Tom Digby): One thing your crossword colophon doesn't include is the issue #. Better redesign.

I've never heard of giving away colored lightbulbs as a custom here in LA. It's probably because a local species, affectionately known as the "Fuzz", disapprove very strongly ~~XX~~ of the practice and tend to throw the recipients in an undesirable area called "Pokey."

I don't know why anyone would want to make a cable out of sodium. It's more expensive than copper, is a poorer conductor, melts at a lower temperature, and if you get a crack in the insulation during a rainstorm, Oh, boy!

FARGAS #6 (Dwain Kaiser): Isn't it about time you got some new Lynn Pederson cartoons and stopped using the same ones over and over? I don't know how many times I've seen that Swordsman cartoon...I've lost count.

end of comments

Hey, JAYN ELLERN, when are you going to publish the formulae for Astrology so I can write that program?

Some of you may be cognizant of the contest concerning Batman's phone #. Flieg informs me that two Caltech have managed to get some computer time and have sent some 400 entries. The 7094 is fast as hell.

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