

If it's Fogged or Light Struck we will print it.

Judging from the many letters you have sent in, the first issue of the Prop Wash met with your approval. We shall attempt to give you as good an issue each week. All we need is your news and suggestions and every issue will be an improvement.

Len Carothers has the honor of being the first reporter for the Prop Wash. He had this to say on his daily report card as soon as he read the first copy: "Newspaper received, contents very carefully noted. I am for it. Will send news later - always wanted to be a reporter." We are looking forward to receiving some red hot news from Pierre any day now.

The Prop Wash brought the following card from Laurin, Michigan: "Our hearty congratulations on your distinguished editorship of the Aero Service Prop Wash. It makes us feel very smug to know everyone is sweltering in the western heat (if it isn't there yet you have something to look forward to) while we watch the clouds roll by in this cool vacationland. No news here except that we don't expect to get out there before Christmas. Just ordered skis for the ship to make the trip with. Dean is upholding the best Aero Service tradition with his fishing. I expect to be offered a sizeable sum not to play golf on the local course anymore. Struck water digging out of a sandtrap on the 5th hole yesterday, but I won't quit until I bring in a gusher. Glad to know where the Omaha Office and everyone is located." Signed Clarke. We can't help but feel sorry for them -- it looks like no work between meals for them.

A daily report card came in the other day reading like this "Wasted 20 minutes zooming farmhouse and neighbors informing them barn was burning. Aero Service." This is what we call real Aero Service. The card came from Bill Carroll and Bill Bohan.

By Pony express we learn that Steuart Reiss is fast becoming the champion Mint Julep mixer of Norfolk, and points South. As a matter of fact, he will challenge anyone in the entire State of Nebraska. If you ever get thirsty we suggest that you stop in at the Oxnard Hotel in Norfolk, Nebraska and help him test his samples. His official title will soon be the old southern "Colonel Steuart A. Reiss."

Jack Swan mentioned that he and Dick McCoy were in a little hurry going home from work one day last week and they happened to notice that they were traveling at the rate of 286 miles per. What an attraction those milk shakes at the creamery must have -- lets all drop in someday.

Paul Crause tells us that Mrs. Carroll came down from Yankton with Bill the other day just to try one (or more) of Steu Reiss's Juleps. Mrs. Carroll is ready to give Steu the State Championship right now.

For your information we list the jobs that we are now doing here in the middle west. We have contract 1914, item 9 and 10. Item 9 is in the State of Nebraska and covers 22,308 square miles in 33 counties. Item 10 is in South Dakota covering 33,692 square miles in 22 counties. We also have contract # 1750, items 9 and 14. Item 9 is in Kansas covering six counties for a total of 4,986 square miles. Item 14 is in Montana covering four counties for a total of 6,949 square miles. The total mileage to be covered in both contracts is 67,935 in 65 counties. This puts the Aero Service Western Division out of snapshot business and into real work.

Yesterday we sent out the first laboratory report cards giving the details of the rolls of film which you have exposed so far. There are late due to the fact that we have been so rushed getting the lab set up, that we have had to do some things slide. You will notice that in some cases your roll number and the roll number do not agree. This is rather confusing to you in the field at times. In the future we will try to put your roll number on these reports. This change is caused by our changing the rolls to a consecutive number instead of a number which is not consecutive.

Attention - Cessna Pilots: We now have the latest "Price List and Parts catalog" giving all the prices on every part on the ships. If you want to order anything write in and we will be glad to send it out to you.

The Western Division lab now has 14 people in it. We will grow in size as fast as the film comes in. If the weather man doesn't tie up the clouds soon we will not need anyone here at all. Suggest that something be done.

Clarence "Beau Brommoll" Slack has been telling us that he was married about two months ago back in the East. He also told us that his wife was arriving on Wednesday the 22nd. He rented an apartment and made ready for the big event, but on Thursday morning we noticed that his name was listed under the marriage license column. We missed the chance of a life-time to make it a real wedding.

Mr. Kauffman left here last Wednesday morning for Chattanooga and was planning to spend the week-end with Ray Kuser. He expected to be back in Philadelphia some time this week. We must say he doesn't let much grass grow under his feet. We would hate to have to follow him around for a week.

Ray Kuser wrote and told us he expects to be passing through on his way to Utah July first. We plan to shower a little Western Hospitality on him just to get him in the right mood to start working in the west. He has been south so long that he even votes there.

A letter from the Philadelphia office brings some very good news and also some very sad news. In the first place, our good friend Jack Walter seems to be feeling Jennie's absence very much. The report is that he can't eat or sleep. It looks bad from where we sit. The way Jennie devours Jack's letters we wonder just what the best move is.

The daily ball-game in the alley has deteriorated to such a point that Mr. Kauffman and Henry won't even make a bet on the outcome. Too bad all the good players are now singing in the contact room in Omaha. Well such is life in the big leagues.

Henry reports that the only activity in the entire office back East is the daily routine of a large family of small mice which has just signed a long term lease for the first floor rear at 1612.

Paul Harvey has returned to work after spending some time in a hospital in Trenton where he had his appendix removed. He says it is well worth the effort to have such beautiful nurses around.

The only other social news of importance is the marriage, the other day, of Al Rihl. It seems to be a regular routine after joining the payroll of Aero Service.

The best news from Philadelphia this week is the notice of award from the Southern Division of the A.A.A. of new work in the south. The areas are not large but every bit helps. They include one to three counties each in the States of South Carolina, Florida, Alabama, and Mississippi.

The payoff comes this week from none other than Miss Jennie Durland. She has just told us about the time she was up with the boss and he spun the wheels of the ship by running them on a cloud. It seems to us that it would be very dangerous to fly near any of those thick clouds. We suggest that you be on the lookout for such things. Imagine running head on into something like that. It is a good thing you fellows have chutes.

Having shot all the Jack-Rabbits on the Concordia Airport, the boys down there have decided to move to new hunting grounds; namely Hastings, Nebraska. They will be there after July first. This is advance notice to the rabbits.

T. "Walter Winchell" Maddock