JOB STANDARDS FOR SUBSTATION NETWORK SPECIALIST AS VIEWED BY CENTRAL REGION'S SUBSTATION STAFF

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He must be a man of vision and ambition, an after dinner speaker, before and after dinner guzzler, night owl, able to travel all day and make out reports all night and appear fresh the next day, learn to sleep on the floor and eat two meals a day to economize on traveling expenses, so he can entertain friends in the next town.

Must be able to entertain wives, sweethearts, and stenographers without becoming too amorous, be happily married with a large family, and have wide range of telephone numbers, knowing none of those involved, must inhale dust, drive through snow ten inches deep at ten below and work all summer without perspiring or acquiring B.O.

Must be a man's man, a ladies' man, a model man, a good husband, fatherly father, a good provider, a plutocrat, a Democrat, a Republican, a new dealer, an old dealer, and a fast dealer. A technician, a politician, a mathematician, an



old airplane mechanic, and an authority on plumbing ware, codes, laws, and marketing techniques, and also know how to fix old cars. Must be a competent steno and typist, able to do 150 words a minute and keep a cigar going full blast — an inoffensive cigar at that.

Must attend all meetings, conventions, funerals, visit hospitals and jails, contact and soothe the feelings of all members, prospective members and ex-members in his territory, and take time for good will work with the local Auxiliary (and the State and National Auxiliary as well).

Must mow the lawn, know the Governor and own a car that is neither larger than any member's nor smaller. Must be able to compute mileage, drift, ground speed, gas consumption per block per minute, wear and tear on the tires and depreciation on the paint job. Car must be new enough to create respect in all those who see it, but old enough to avoid charges of "putting on the dog". Must be able to edit a magazine without spending time on it; own an attractive home suitable for committee meetings, but not sumptious enough to cause comment by those attending. Must know labor law, criminal law, law of supply and demand and how to make an expense account and voucher stick the first time it is submitted.

Must have unlimited endurance and frequent over-indulgence in wine, wind and gab, must be an expert talker, liar, dancer, traveler, bridge, golf and poker player, authority on palmistry, physiology, psychology, hydraulics, cats, dogs, etc.

Must be ugly enough to be trusted by husbands and attractive enough to be interesting to wives.

TRADING POST

The Trading Post is designed for the exchange of information, suggestions and helpful ideas to the operational meteorological community. Since there were no unsolicited contributions, it was decided that information about the Technical Procedures Bulletins (TPB) would be disseminated.

The TPB series was started in 1967. It is designed to keep users abreast of the changes in models, maps, and other guidance material that are prepared by the National Weather Service and distributed over the facsimile and teletype networks. Anyone wishing to obtain copies of the Bulletins should write directly to Dr. Duane S. Cooley, Chief, Technical Procedures Branch, Meteorological Services Division, NWS, Will, Gramax Bldg., Rm. 1302, Rockville, Md. 20852.

On March 8, 1976, an "Index of Current Technical Procedures Bulletins" was prepared. This lists all the current TPBs through January 1976. Since then, the following Bulletins have been issued:

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