

SUN SPOTS CAUSE INTERRUPTION OF ALL TELEGRAPHING

Interruptions To Communication Expected To Pass Away Within 48 Hours

NAVAL OBSERVATORY GETS LINE ON TROUBLE

Present Spot Estimated To Be Some 94,000 Miles Long and 21,000 Miles Wide; Prevalence At This Time Most Unusual; Visible To Naked Eye With Aid of Glass.

Washington, May 15.—Interruption of telegraphic communication by electrical interference, if due to the presence of sun spots on the sun as set forth in the Brashar theory, will pass away within 48 hours in the belief of officials at the naval observatory here.

The present spot or group of spots on the face of the sun, estimated by naval observatory officials as 94,000 miles long and 21,000 miles wide, was nearest the earth last night, and today through rotation of the sun was moving away from the solar meridian. Naval observatory officials said today that, leaving out of consideration the decreasing effect of the spots on electrical currents on the earth through the usual breaking up of the spots, the regular rotation of the sun on its axis would within a few days carry the spots as far from the earth as to make their influence negligible.

The theory that the Aurora Borealis, or Northern Lights, which sends "earth currents" through telegraph wires, interrupting communication, results from sun spots advanced by Dr. John A. Brashar, late Pittsburg astronomer, is accepted, but the fact that spots on the sun usually are accompanied by electrical disturbances has resulted in almost general acceptance of the theory.

The spots now present on the face of the sun, which were visible to the naked eye today with the use of smoked glass, were described as being of the Naval Observatory last Sunday.

Dr. Brashar, who photographed the sun last night and a half to two days ago, said the spots he photographed showed the spots to be much agitated, the gaseous vapors of which they are composed resembling a cyclonic storm on the earth, Dr. Brashar said. Yesterday's photograph, taken about noon, showed the spots to be more settled.

TO ADVANCE BIG SUM FOR EXPORTING COTTON

Washington, May 14.—Approval of advances of \$2,000,000 to assist in financing cotton exports was announced today by the War Finance Corporation. Advancement of \$1,500,000 against cotton actually exported has already been made, the announcement said.

One approval was for an advance of \$1,000,000 in connection with the shipment of cotton to foreign ports for warehousing and distribution. The cotton will go forward to Liverpool, Havre, Genoa, Bremen and Kobe, Japan. The other application approved was also for an advance of \$1,000,000 to finance the exportation of cotton from American interior points and American ports under contracts for shipments from October to December.

The corporation also announced that it has issued a circular outlining the requirements of the corporation in connection with applications for advances to American exporters and American banks, bankers and trust companies, for the purpose of assisting in the exportation of domestic products.

NEVER-FAIL FARM OWNERS WILL START DEVELOPING

The following extracts from a letter from the Granville Real Estate & Trust Co., owners of the Never-Fail Farm in Western Harnett, will meet with interested approval by progressive farmers who know the value of land in this county:

"As you know, with associates, we are now the owners of the Never-Fail Farm, formerly the Harpe farm, located at Pineview, comprising a total acreage of 5,800 acres. We hold the kindest possible appreciation of lands in this part of the state and believe that the opportunities for all lines of farming are greater in this section of the state than in any other part we know of. We have focused our attention of late especially upon the peach orchard proposition, feeling that Harnett lands offer the same, if not better, opportunities for this profitable business as Moore county does. We sincerely hope that Harnett will occupy a grandstand seat on the state road commission map, and get her share of the great improvements to be made in good roads over the state.

"We are now planning to expand and develop our holdings and with that end in view we are very desirous of becoming acquainted with all of you good people."

Counties Which Have Cut Valuations Given A Chance To Repent

Commissioner Watts Gives All The Counties Opportunity To Reconsider

By W. T. Bost in Greensboro News. Raleigh, May 16.—Revaluation received a jolt today at the meeting of the state equalization board and revaluations already reported to the taken on horizontal reductions and 30 days will pass before action is state board.

The next-tiers who had tipped off the pagans from the most sanctified spots in the holy places, are not dismayed by the bad guesses. Ordinary folks do not pretend to know what is going to be done with the conspicuously decent and courageous piece of legislation which the revaluation act was designed to be. The chronicler who is not a next-tier has had to use his noodle. And it has been as difficult to comprehend how any state organization can repudiate revaluation which was so handsomely ratified by the 1920 vote, as it is to understand why prohibition isn't prohibiting the prohibitionists. But the board did not act today and those who have been guessing and telling others to guess that revaluation will be junked, have a right to guess 30 days more. Nevertheless, the mighty kickers who used their copybook notions on the general assembly have gone to work and work even as low as curve all things. Only 44 counties in the state asked for any relief at all. Some of these desired only 10 per cent and one went to 60 per cent reduction in farm lands. And undoubtedly some of those counties are ashamed of what they have done. Carteret has asked to reconsider and in the letter which Commissioner A. D. Watts today sends to the registers of deeds in the 100 counties there is a suggestion that "others may wish to" reconsider their course. The colonel is giving all a chance to repent.

As Unsuccessful Fight. With the spring away from the radical and indefensible cuts in county values attempted by enemies of revaluation there is no guessing how near to standing pat the equalization board may be. There are county officials in the state right now who say that the values as of May, 1919, are not high enough. The very fact that the state is asking for no relief at all shows that they were conscious of exemptions from taxation long in years and in favor of them. Some of them are saying this year

was right and in half the state the values were cut. Forty per cent of the voting population has been accepted by a large household allowance and it is recalled now that the rank and anti-revaluationists were those who asked the amendment of the law whereby the state return to the \$25 exemption in lieu of \$300.

The thing that has long been a reproach to the state has been the repudiation of revaluation as long as the schools. Nobody has arisen to explain how a county which cuts its real estate down half can meet its school or its institutional needs. Horizontal reductions might reduce taxes on realty, but they would not raise revenue necessary to run. And the state must maintain the schools. And about that time the cloven hoof of the kicker will be exposed and he will be no more. That is exactly the trouble with this repudiation of revaluation. One must declare honest valuations wrong and mendacity the result. That's what it had been until the 1919 election.

Will Meet First Tuesday. Hereafter the board of equalization will meet the first Tuesday in each month and discuss its work. Meanwhile the board awaits county action and leaves open all questions another month. It would appear that the state will not be repudiating the state's right to revaluation. The state is repudiating the June job of Watts, Lee and Manning will be easier than it would have been today.

THE LOW COST OF ADVERTISING SPACE

Few advertising men know that advertising space in newspapers is by far the economical way to reach the consumer. It is a fact and the only reason that advertising was ever created was because wise and shrewd business men learned that they could buy white space in publications at a minimum cost and because of the message they would put into that space they could make a profit on the transaction and make the advertising a real investment in production of sales and goodwill.

In these days of high cost of white paper and printing the advertiser could not print a full-page advertisement and buy the white paper at the same cost that the newspaper charges him for the complete page delivered into the home by invitation. That is to say, the readers of this newspaper buy a paper because they want to read it and because they know they get more for their money at 2 or 3 cents than anything else they could buy at that price. That is what makes the advertising so valuable to the advertiser, provided they have the right message, the right illustration and the right merchandising plan back of the advertising.

Newspaper advertising is by far the most economical method to reach the consumer.—William H. Rankin, president William H. Rankin Advertising Agency, in News-Paperdom.

COMMISSIONERS MAY CHOOSE NEW OFFICERS TODAY

Many Applicants For Jobs Held By Hume, Nipper And Page

NO OPPOSITION TO PARKER AND BIZZELL

Board Members Give No Intimation of What Action They Will Take in Police Department—Vance's Office May Be Abolished—Mayor Wade III.

With dozens of applicants for the various positions to be filled by the Board of Town Commissioners that body will meet in special session this afternoon or tomorrow to pass upon the merits of the various applicants and fill two positions in the police department, one in the street cleaning department and one in the light and water department.

There is no doubt that Lawrence H. Bizzell will succeed himself as head of the light and water department. H. Alley Parker already has been reappointed as town clerk. There are many applicants, however, for the jobs of Street Superintendent, Hunt and Policemen Page and Nipper. The commissioners have not intimated what action they will take in that matter, but it is definitely known that the members are divided in their opinions as to the advisability of continuing the present personnel of the department in office.

These matters were to have come before the board in a meeting last night. Mayor J. Lloyd Wade, however, was ill and could not attend the meeting. He was able to be in his office today and stated that he probably would call a meeting this afternoon or tomorrow. The school commencement exercises would interfere with a meeting in City Hall tonight and it is not believed advisable to hold one at that time.

Many of the applicants for the office of Chief of Police have visited Dunn since last Friday. They have come from several parts of the state. All, it is said, have furnished fine recommendations.

Farmer in Johnston Has New Sales Plan

Brings Sale Of Cotton To Town And His Wife Literally Auctions It Off

Smithfield, May 11.—Yesterday the 12 Masonic lodges of Johnston county participated in the laying of the corner stone of the new \$500,000 court house in the course of erection here. Masons from other than Johnston county lodges were present making a total of about 250. Grand Master J. Bailey Owens, of Henderson, was present and took a prominent part in the exercises. W. D. Averett, of this city, was made grand marshal and led the long line of Masons to the court house.

Past Grand Master Henry A. Grady of Clinton, was expected to be the orator of the occasion, but failing in attendance, Rev. C. K. Proctor, pastor of Central Methodist church, Raleigh, rose to the occasion and made an appropriate impromptu speech.

A barbecue dinner was served to the Masons and their families in a local warehouse.

Memorial exercises observed here yesterday which the Masons attended in a body. The Holt-Sanders chapter of the U. D. C. had the matter in charge, leading the way to the cemetery where the graves of Confederate soldiers, who were killed in the battle of Bentonville, were decorated with flowers and Confederate flags. Rev. H. W. Baucum, pastor of the Baptist church, offered a beautiful prayer, and the service was concluded by the singing of patriotic songs. A sumptuous dinner was served to Confederate veterans present on this occasion. The number grows smaller each year, there being only about 25 or 30 here yesterday.

The house known as the old Abell home, but occupied by Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Allbrook was destroyed by fire early Tuesday morning. The origin of the fire is unknown, but the fact that the building was among the oldest in the town leads to a supposition that rats caused the fire. Mr. and Mrs. Allbrook were awakened by the flames which were burning through the top of the door of their room. Practically all of the house furnishings were burned. The loss was partially covered by insurance.

An authentic story came to light here today which opens a new field in this section at least, to the endeavors of women. Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Langdon, of Elevation township, were here today with a bale of cotton for sale. They were driving a fractions on the bale of cotton while he good lady got bids on the cotton. It was a strict middle class story and her first offer was 10 1/2. Four buyers made bids. At 11:15 two dropped out. She kept going back and forth between the other two, getting her bid raised five points each time until she closed with one firm at 12 cents even.

Apparently it is impossible to make good gravy in a hotel. After a man has made a reputation, how the memories of his friends are refreshed!

Wiegans Appointed Chairman of Athletic Committee for 4th.

Books Ball Game, Duke and Dunn for 4th. League.

H. J. Wiegans, manager of the Dunn Baseball Club, has been appointed chairman of the athletic committee engaged in planning an athletic program for the celebration of the 4th of July. The celebration will be held at the Dunn Fair Association, the Chamber of Commerce, the Women's Club and the American Legion.

Mr. Wiegans' plan was to book the Dunn baseball team for a game on the 4th of July. The fair association will give a prize of \$50 to the winning club. Other athletic features will include running races, jumping, and probably wrestling.

Other committees in charge of the programs for the celebration also are at work. The business managers of the association, with Secretary T. L. Riddle, is arranging for the fireworks display. The program will be supplemented by a band concert and singing by the Dunn District singing classes. The singing contest to be held in the afternoon. Large prizes will be offered in this contest and it is thought that there will be many entries.

The committee in charge of horse racing, motor cycling and bicycle racing also are busy in efforts to make their part of the celebration the most enjoyable of the day, and it is certain that this year's event will be the best ever held in Dunn.

Cotton Market Takes On Midwestern Aspect; Plans to Pay Debts

14,000 Bales of Cotton Sold on Local Market

The local market for cotton of about 100 bales today was closed at approximately the same level as the 1920 crop had a good sale on the local market, leaving a stock believed about 10,000 bales on the farms and in the warehouses.

Up to January less than 5,000 bales had found their way to Dunn. In normal years practically the entire crop is marketed by the middle of January. The first two months of this year witnessed little activity, but in April and May the local year has had the appearance of a mid-season. In the first week of this month more than a thousand bales were sold here. Today the yard contains about 1000 bales.

Much of the cotton brought to town is badly damaged. Frequently at least a fifth of a bale has to be picked because of its rotteness due to the bale having been allowed to stand in a wet spot. This has brought the average price down to a minimum and the thousands of dollars have been lost by the farmers for the season.

Today's prices for middling bales was 11 cents. Lots of the cotton offered graded about middling.

As fast as the farmers sell their cotton they are applying the proceeds to last year's debts. All of them are taking the situation philosophically and are feeling the future with optimistic minds, trusting that next year will see them on their feet again.

Few of the farmers who live east of Dunn, however, have reduced their cotton acreage this year. Many, though, are giving Ben Townsend's long staple seed a trial and hope to produce a grade of cotton that will prove profitable.

COTTON CONSUMPTION FIGURES GIVEN OUT

Census Bureau Shows Total Consumption in April Under Last Year

Washington, May 14.—Cotton consumed during April amounted to 408,882 bales of lint and 49,096 bales of linters, compared with 445,914 of lint and 50,297 of linters in April last year, the Census Bureau announced today.

Cotton on hand April 30, in consuming establishments was 1,216,015 bales of lint and 22,815 of linters, compared with 1,217,027 of lint and 22,842 of linters a year ago; and in public storage and at compresses 5,023,621 bales of lint and 209,408 of linters, compared with 5,078,158 of lint and 209,129 of linters a year ago.

Imports during April were 18,731 bales, compared with 98,267 in April last year. Exports during April were 319,933 bales of lint and 44,048 of linters, compared with 348,125 of lint and 44,048 of linters in April last year.

Cotton gins and growing states were: Consumed during April, 248,463 bales, compared with 316,787 in April last year.

HOUSEKEEPERS' WEEK WILL BE HELD MAY 26-28

Special Demonstrations Planned By Miss Marian Swain County Agent

MILLINERY AND DRESS MAKING IS FEATURED

Mrs. Wesley B. Thompson and Miss Elizabeth Gaimoy To Assist in Teaching Women How To Economize—Special Displays of Household Goods in Stores.

"Housekeepers' Week" will be staged here Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 26, 27, and 28, by Miss Marian Swain, county home demonstration agent, under the joint auspices and the Woman's Club. Demonstrations in millinery, steam pressure and fireless cooking and dressmaking will be featured, and special displays of household conveniences will be made in all hardware and furniture stores. Special electric power demonstrations will be made in the store of the Hudson-Draper Company.

A tentative program of special features has just been completed by Miss Swain and Secretary T. L. Riddle, of the Chamber of Commerce. It is as follows:

Thursday—10-12 o'clock a. m. Millinery Demonstration by Mrs. Wesley B. Thompson.

Friday—10-12 o'clock a. m. Demonstration Angel Food Cake in Dressmaker by Miss Elizabeth Gaimoy, Home Demonstration Agent, Camden County.

Saturday—10-12 o'clock a. m. Making of Paper Dress Form. Special display of household conveniences at all of the hardware stores for your inspection. Demonstrations will be at James & Hollis.

One of the most interesting features of the week will be the making of the paper dress form. The department of agriculture, through its weekly news letter, says of this project:

For years the thing that bothered women in making their own dresses was the difficulty encountered in getting the pattern properly fitted. They had to take some one's word for it usually, or if they went to a dressmaker they were obliged to have several try-ons, and this took time that should have been used for other things.

Then came "Betty." The home demonstration agents sent out by the United States department of agriculture, introduced Betty to thousands of farm homes, and also to other thousands in towns and cities. Betty is a dress form made of strips of gummed paper tape molded on the figure over a tight-fitting undershirt. This home-made form is, naturally, an exact replica of the figure.

The idea was instantly popular. Every State in the Union now has Bettyes by the hundreds, and the reports received by the department of agriculture show they have not only saved money for the owners but they have caused women and girls to see themselves as others see them, to straighten up, to stand with the shoulders back, to avoid the slouchy attitudes too common among human beings. "Well," exclaimed a large fat woman in a group, that's the first time I ever saw my back as it really lies.

In Harnett County, N. H., 631 Bettyes were made last year by farm women directed by home-demonstration agents. The actual cost of these forms was \$599.90. The women of Harnett County, N. H., made 468 Bettyes in 1920. Regardless of how the family on the farm may be situated financially, it is frequently impossible to secure satisfactory ready-made clothing, and much of the family sewing must be done at home. Every woman knows this represents much of this work is done by their faithful partners.

"Now then, Johnny," said the teacher, "if your father gave you seven cents and your mother gave you six and your uncle gave you four more, what would you have?" Johnny wrinkled up his forehead and went into the silence for the space of several minutes.

"Come, come," said the teacher impatiently. "Surely you can solve a simple little problem like that. It isn't a simple problem at all," replied the boy. "I can't make up my mind whether I'd have an ice-cream soda or go to the movies."—New York Sun.

Not That Kind of A Bird. An old dame at a railway station asked a porter where she could get her ticket. The man pointed in the direction of the ticket office. You can get it there, he said, through the pigeon-hole. "Get away with you, idiot!" she exclaimed. "How can I get through that little hole? I ain't no pigeon!"—Houston Post.

A business transaction is not a success until both buyer and seller are benefitted by it.

Pastor Asks For Aid Of Membership In Revival Meetings

Rev. J. M. Buffalo Begins Evangelistic Services in Divine Street Church Next Sunday.

Asking for the whole-hearted cooperation of his congregation in the forthcoming revival meetings to begin in Divine Street Methodist Episcopal church next Sunday, Rev. J. M. Buffalo, pastor, has forwarded the following letter to each member: I am using this method of conveying a personal message to each of our church members and to ask for your whole-hearted co-operation, prayers and sympathy for myself and our revival services.

1. Will you be sure to be present at each service just as far as possible? 2. Will you be in earnest prayer for the speaker and for the word preached? 3. Will you encourage friends and members of your family to attend? 4. Will you search your own heart as to whether you are in a saved relationship with God? How much less than this can you afford to do as a member of our church? Do we need a real revival—our church—our town? Then shall we delay in seeking it and in every way preparing the way for our Lord? I shall look for you and expect at least this much interest on your part. O! the burden some of our hearts feel. Come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty. Meeting begins 4th Sunday morning. Services week days at 10:00 A. M. and 8 P. M.

FROSTY TONGUES

Something To Remember When You Are Tempted To Be Impolite

(By Harry Botsford in Leslie's Weekly.)

I shared my seat in the Club car with a Middle-West man, an executive in one of the largest manufacturing firms in Michigan. I have known him a long time and respect him greatly, for he has accomplished many things in his field and heads several organizations of national scope. One talk turned to the right and wrong lines of employment.

"The trouble with many employees is they have 'frothy' tempers," said my friend. "The expression covers many things. The particular thing I mean is the pronouncement of employees who make sarcastic observations about the personnel of his company, or who make public and destructive criticisms of the conduct of its affairs in a display."

To give an instance. One evening last week my wife and I motored to a neighboring city for dinner. Arriving late at the hotel we were forced to share a table with a young couple already well along with their dinner. "I was rather tired and did not feel like talking. My wife, who thoroughly understood my silence, was silent also. Naturally I could not help hearing the conversation between the other couple. Presently the name of our company was mentioned."

"They are a mighty peculiar bunch," he complained. "No idea of progress. Haven't had a new design in collars since button-holes were invented."

"I need go no further into the sarcastic and untruthful statements of this young man, but he made a number in the same tenor. I gathered from his conversation that he was employed in our purchasing department."

"Inquiries which I made the following morning brought forth the fact that he had been in our purchasing department for more than a year, and had been advanced in salary three times."

"Investigation proved to us that he was in the habit of dividing the large amount of his salary with his wife, and the generosity of his ability demanded, and we let him go. The fact that he made misstatements in regard to the business convinced us he was at heart a disloyal. There is no room in industry for men with frothy tongues."

An old and slightly decreed man in the line at the receiving teller's window of a Chicago bank fumbled for some papers. "For heaven's sake hurry up," snapped the teller.

The old man's eyes flared, he emitted a grunt of anger and left the line without making a deposit. The teller was called into the cashier's office and told his services would be required no longer than the end of the week. The old fellow in the shabby clothes happened to be the head of one of the largest lumber companies in the Middle-West—an organization that kept all of its checking accounts in that bank. He had dropped in to make a deposit and open a personal account.

After his discourteous treatment by the teller, he had gone to the cashier, and not only refused to have his personal account in the bank, but had hinted also that his company might withdraw its balance. The cashier was forced to rid the bank of an undesirable employee.

The purchasing agent of a large Eastern publishing house desired to place an ink order amounting to five figures. He sent for two rival salesmen, intending to split the order between them.

The two men waited in the outer office for some time, having been told the purchasing agent was busy. Finally one became impatient, and asked the young lady in charge of the office what the devil she meant by keeping him waiting when he had an engagement with the agent. The young woman flounced out of the room into the agent's office.

SCHOOL CLOSING EXERCISES TO END WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Large Crowd Witnesses Senior Class Program in Metropolitan

DR. BROOKS WILL MAKE COMMENCEMENT SPEECH

Eight Graduates Will Be Given Diplomas—Five To Get Certificates of Graduation—Interesting Program Arranged For Final Offering—Dr. Smith Delivers Sermon.

In the presence of a crowd that overtaxed the seating capacity of Metropolitan Theatre last night by the graduation class of the Dunn High School. The thirteen members of the class took part in the exercises, giving the following program:

A Merry Life, Indiana Folk Song—High School Chorus. President's Address, John C. Clifford, Jr. Our Flower, The Marchal Nial Rose, Thomas Hood. Our Colors, Old Gold and Black—Howard Godwin.

Song of the Freshmen—Class Class Voyage—Mary Bailey. Statistics—Margaret Wade. Class Picture—Ovelia Britt. Song to the Sophomores—Class Class Poem—Julia Howard. Class Prophecy—Cardine Howard. Serap Rap—Judson C. Jones. Song to the Juniors, Class. Last Will and Testament—John W. Jordan, Jr.

Valedictory—Lela Aycock. Class Song—Class. The Gypsy Lad. Spanish Song—High School Chorus.

The commencement exercises will be concluded tonight with the rendition of a music program, a speech by Dr. E. C. Brooks and the presentation of diplomas and certificates to the senior class.

Those who will get diplomas are: Julia Howard, Emma, Margaret Virginia Wade, Ovelia Britt, Lela Aycock, Mary Louise Bailey, Bessie C. Howard, Thomas Horton Hood Clifford, John C. Clifford, Jr.

The program for tonight is as follows: Piano Solo: Twilight—Frim. Lucille Crowl. The Dancers—P. Loomis. High School Chorus. Essay: How to Make Dunn Beautiful. Raymond Cromartie. Presentation of Prize for Essay. Mrs. Louis Stephens. Announcement. John C. Clifford. Address, Dr. E. C. Brooks. All Through the Night—Welsh Air. High School Chorus. Presentation of Diplomas and Certificates. Star Spangled Banner, High School Chorus and Audience.

Ferdinand Smith, of Kinston, preached to the commencement sermon in the First Baptist Church last Sunday night.

FOUR CLUB BALL LEAGUE PROPOSED BY FOUR OAKS

Local baseball enthusiasts are deeply interested in a proposal coming from Four Oaks to form a four club amateur league with Dunn, Benson, Four Oaks and Selma as the contenders.

It is proposed by the Four Oaks folk that each club be permitted to employ one player. The Dunn fellows, however, will hold out for an entirely amateur organization, with no hired players at all.

No definite details of the project have been worked out, but it is thought that the organization can be completed before June 1, when the season should start.

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE

The following transfers of real estate have been recorded in the office of Register of Deeds Fayette during the past week:

H. L. Godwin and wife to J. D. Phillips, 17 acres in Averasboro for \$3,275. B. F. Dupree and wife to Fannie Jordan, 45 1/2 acres in Black River, love and affection.

F. M. McKay and wife to W. F. Black, 2 acres in Duke, \$100 and other consideration. A. W. Thompson and wife to J. J. Betts, 3 lots in Duncans, \$100 and other consideration.

W. C. McMillan, 4 1/2 acres in Hectors Creek, \$40. J. T. Ellington and wife to R. M. Pleasant, 2 lots in Angier, \$100 and other consideration. A. W. Williams to B. F. Byrd, 2 lots in Coats, \$300.

B. F. Byrd and wife to Harry Lee, 2 lots in Coats, \$250. Two mysteries to the average man: a telephone switchboard and how his wife can find so many new places to hide his belongings.