THE GLORIOUS MARCH ISSUE

First of all, the praise placement:
Jeff Drumtra gave up 2 weekends to
come in and help with this. The other
regulars, Mary Lou and Merre, plus a
few ENZ students plied with Grand Flag
collated, rolled and addressed the ob-
ject presently in your hand.

This issue is both larger and small-
er than the two previous ones, larger
in number of pages but smaller in terms
of content. This is primarily because
Camaro had only a lightweight grade of
paper, so light that only one side can
be used for printing. Also, the "Ana-
na" game in this issue took up quite
a lot of space, but that's not a prob-
lem because it's original and creative
and we wanted to share it with you all.
The original was made back in October
(pre-school boredom) by Art Bettge,
Mary Lou Cronin and Merre McGeehe.
Mary and Valerie Nelson made time to
transfer it to stencil and now you have
it. Get out your crayons and make
it pretty.

Somehow I neglected to give all the
credit to contributors on the page with
their contributions, but thanks much
to Diane Bacher for her surreal poem
and to Ben Bestyn for sending in some
additional insurance excuses. Thanks
to everyone who sent in an offering,
and if it wasn't in this one, check
future issues. Apologies for no sports
but mail from the capital was scant
this month. Hopefully, the next CE
will be aided by the presence of a few
International Herald-Tribunes and we'll
continue to grow BIGGER and find BETTER!

Perhaps our lovely and talented
Directrice will send out another of
her Informative Notes from Miami. You
have all my sympathy, Phyllis. Having
to asterisk your jokes for the benefit
of some no-minds out there. Really an
insult. I certainly had no problem un-
derstanding the humor; my only diffic-
ty was in stopping my laughing. I
don't know how much longer my perception
will remain with me what with the
Hot Season coming on strong and all.
You see, there's no fan here in the
office and I've begun blacking out occasionally from the heat while typing
this Mail newsletter. I realize my com-
mitment, however, and I'm not trying
to back out of anything. I don't
think I'll be permanently damaged, but
I am afraid that I'll break a tooth
when my head hits the typewriter. I'm
thinking of tying a pillow to my
forehead - but I don't want to bother
you with my problems. Perhaps I
could start doing all the typing in
the early morning or late at night.
Too bad a fan is too expensive for
my mandat budget. Of course, at
18,000 GPA, they are cheaper here
than in Miami. Just thinking out
loud. Don't mind me.

OK, so read on. Thanks to you all
for your acceptance and reported en-
joyment. Anybody out there want to
see you name in print? I'd like some-
one who attended the TFPL IST over the
school break to write a short article
just discussing what was hit upon and
the accomplishments. But don't hesi-
tate to write for no reason. It's
good just to hear from you.

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DEAR BUREAUCRACY,

I'm confused and a little des-
perate after reading Jerry
Brown's newsletter and his ex-
planation of the 24 day vaca-
tion period. In the FC Hand-
book it says that a volunteer
may take a maximum of 45 days
for a 2 year term of service.
It also says the "country di-
rector may prohibit the taking
of leave during the first and
last portions of your overseas
service." I had understood
that we must be in country for
the last 3 months of service.
Bom - if this is indeed the
case, then all teachers with
termination dates in August &
September are forced to take
their vacation in the first
summer break, ko? Just 24
days? Ba haka ba ne.

Nana Mariama
Zinder

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THE CAMEL EXPRESS

MARCH 1979

Zinder, Republique du
Niger
Welcome to America. Our Miss Shields will show you to your table. Such a pretty baby.

What'll it be? Have a drink, have a puff, have a snort, have some smack. Legalized gambling in the front room, skin flicks in the back; mirrors, mirrors everywhere in glorious profusion.

C'mon in. Something for every palate. Reproductions by Rockefeller, senators by David Garth, exploding Pintos by Ford. Hey, and that's not all. Carcinogens in 31 flavors. Opium from Saint Laurent, Seconals from Graceland, polyvinyl vaginas from Larry Flynt......Funky, punky, junky -- you want it, we got it.

See the mayor of San Francisco dead in his office, see the homosexual supervisor dying down the hall, see 900 bodies bloating in the jungle sun. Parental guidance suggested.

Get your top hat and your spike heels, grab a whip, grab a chain, and get it on for the Rocky Horror Picture Show. Sorry, Norman Rockwell doesn't live here anymore.

Join the looters in New York, a police strike in Memphis, an orgy in LA. Say hello to Harry Reems, get a rattlesnake by mail. (Who invited Solarinverts?)

Catch some herpes, get a facelift, rent a boy. Watch Linda Blair being raped with a plumber's helper / Linda Blair vomiting on a priest / Linda Blair masturbating with a crucifix. Check it out.

There's something in the air -- a sense of slippage, the perfume of decay. Life is slick and bright and noisy, but there's a softness here, a crumbling behind the gloss. Chuck Barris is the man of the hour. Tacky? Sure he's tacky, but he's having a swell time. Chuck Barris is perfect.

Disko, with its red, raw beat and endless climaxes, is the anthem of the '70s. High voltage, quick hits, that's what we want; nuance and texture can wait. It doesn't have to be good -- we're talking bottom-line here. We have raised image over substance, reduced sensuality to its crudest, most efficient forms. Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, my rod and vibrator comfort me.

Come July, it will be 10 years since Neil Armstrong stepped on the moon -- and 10 years since Teddy Kennedy and Mary Jo Kopechne rode off Dike Bridge. Of the two events, Chappaquiddick far better presaged the decade ahead. It was so callous, so sloppy.

We shrugged off almost everything now, moving on -- with the help of the carniverous media -- to the next fleeting titillation. Fur ads in Vogue feature women being attacked by Dobermans. Shrug. Bianca Jagger, Billy Carter, Gary Gilmore -- all hype, show, diversion. There's a new rock group called the Dead Kennedys. Shrug.
It's as if we're beyond making distinctions, beyond caring. Do Teddy's celebrated indiscretions continue? No problem - his Gallup ratings have never been higher. Third-graders are selling dope, White House aides are buying it. Our appetite for violence is insatiable. Sid Vicious is just a mixed-up kid.

Exhausted from our exertions of the '60s, all we ask for now is relief. Six hours of TV helps to get us through the day - life once removed is close enough, thanks. The impetus to rethink - reform - transform has long since slid into ennui. After two centuries, we have reached a consensus of indifference.

"We do it all for you." - that's the spirit of '79. Proposition 13, with its promise of something for nothing, is a metaphor for the times. The beauty of Werner Erhard's project to end world hunger is that you don't have to do a thing. Small wonder Jerry Brown is our quintessential politician. Liberal, conservative, Jesuit, Buddhist - Jerry will give us what we want. No sweat.

Don't think about it. Don't think about anything. Turn up the volume, have another toke, honk if you're horny. Say, heeereee's Johnny, Dolly, Reggie, Woody, Angie, Mary, Betty, Donny, Chevy, Goldie, Henry, Liz and O.J. Immerses yourself in their glossy, empty lives, all the better to forget your own. Jackie oh Jackie oh Jackie OH OH.

There are almost no famous people anymore, only celebrities - "personalties." Fame is passé - it is much too solid, too suggestive of steady achievement. There are still ripples of grace and distinction, commitment and courage, but all seem in shorter supply now. It's no time for heroes. Bob Dylan at Caesar's Palace, coming soon.

And when you can't get it up for all the stars Steve Rubell ever dreamed of, when the fever of a thousand Saturday nights and all the massage parlors in Wichita still aren't enough, there remains surrender, body and soul, to an Emperor Jones. Like the man said, choose your poison.

Away the hell with it, forget it, we'll just ease on down the road. And hey, welcome to America. The drinks are on the house. Bottoms up.

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Once more, go outside about 9 p.m. and this time face west. Look straight up and you'll see a very bright yellowish star which, despite the name of this column, isn't a star at all but the planet Jupiter. To the right of it you'll see two fairly bright stars. They're Pollux and Castor and are the heads of the twins in the constellation Gemini. To the left of Jupiter is Procyon, the head of Canis Minor (Little Dog). All of these are above and slightly to the right of last month's Orion.
I thought I'd go somewhere where there are no other tourists. You know, I hate tourists. Maybe Cambodia.

Oh I guess that's the Newsweek. I'm missing!

But there's fighting there.

Somewhere in Cambodia.

Yea, I figure. 3 or 4 months will be enough time.

But Joe, that's against Peace Corps Policy!!

No, what do you mean, it's a basic human need??!!

Hey look at this interesting thing in the Camel Express.

Tahoua Tabalak
Region is beautiful
- Girls
- Sunny beaches
- Horseback riding
- Proquing
- Nude's Jabotting
- Ping Pong
- 24 hour nursing care
- Pizzaria

All 40% more

TELL YOUR FRIENDS TO WRITE ME FOR A GOOD TIME!
Deb Lewis's mother sent her a note with a newspaper clipping about the information that "seven out of ten PCVs stick out the two-year tour." Is that a hint? If so, in what direction? ....

Ogil in Coarc: "Trucks from Nigeria and elsewhere have been heading that way....To R.S. in Tegalega: tell Fred and co. that Max and co. feel he needs to come back and plant another tree, soon....Guess who'll be coming back to run next summer's health stage? Sam Brown's favorite volunteer! Missy Gorski finished only last year and was awarded the above dubious distinction when the one and only made an African tour after his appointment as ACTION chief....While we're on the subject, a recent Jack Anderson labeled Sam an "insect martini." The same column also reported the cost of the two recent conferences for Ph Ds at Nairobi and Kasabian to be $60,000 apiece. That's $33,000,000 GBA total....Poor Jan Turner -- problem after problem. Now she's been bitten by a possibly rabid dog. She just takes it all, here's hoping she comes through this one comme d'habitude....Hey! Where's the stage picture and scrapbook from last summer? I remember Bob Squires (now in Upper Volta) had something to do with it, but who else?....Zinder's love and Tahoua's gain -- Sandy Billis and Debbie Schuster were transferred by SATCOM to Tabalik. "Terry, Bill, they're nice people and deserving of your company (and their cook is amazing)...."To Jimmy Olsen, Daily Planet Building: O'mon, they'll find out somehow. Remember the tapes? Why not just pierce the other one and buy some rhinestones shoulder-usters to go with your silver lame pegged?....According to Kevin King, the most beautiful woman in the world can now be found in Tassema. Write him for details....As of the first week of February, the Namny Christmas tape had been received by the Macleys & Racoon and was on its way to the Frozos in Minnesota. Joan and Cliff say hello to everybody who took part....An avenue of UCLA wrote about the master's programs in TESL, public health, and African studies (this one producing such fine specimens as Monty & Gary Elliotts). All of these departments are crowding with PCVs. For more information on the African Studies program: Patricia Beetz 1053 Panche Hall, UCLA, LA, Ca 90024. For the others: Chairman, 2 Dept., UCLA, etc....Michael Worcester, a former Niger PCV, has begun working for a company called African Designs which imports crafts from Africa and sells them both on a retail and wholesale basis. They are connected with a European company, WRESA, which is involved in stimulating African economies. Since he was once here, he's interested in getting merchandise from Niger and from West Africa as a whole. Any volunteers who know of groups or individuals making crafts? Contact him. He would like descriptions, prices and if possible, samples. They can take items on a consignment basis or buy outright, depending on the situation. Play your cards right and this could be a secondary project. Write: Michael Worcester 11th Lincoln Street, Boston, Mass 02111....To Gabe: Gambia des pilote? Oh viva diurna!....Big.doings in Tahoua! International wife-sweeping, nude sun bathing, indescent propositions PLUS a new Rec Center! ping pong, music and "entertainment" with the Sweet Southern Belles (Nancy, Debbie and Terry) as your guides....Could people send in vacation estimates for the rookies? Just jot down where you went, for how long, mode of transportation and how much. Big boon in making any plans.....If anyone has sighted Lawrence Darrell's Alexandria Quartet here, let Nancy Olinger know or just send them up with somebody going that way - slight change! She's already read Justine and Clea. Anyone else searching for a particular item? We can use this space for such a service....Art Bethges 6867 Lake Hill Drive, Lorton, Virginia 22079....
DIRECTIONS for assembling your own private copy of ANASARA

The board is made up of 6 pieces of paper which should be put in 2 rows of 3. Hint: The game starts at Peace Corps bureau — Niamey, continues to Maradi, Zinder then Agadez.

The colors of the properties are as follows: Ramatou's Table thron - Chien Qui Fume (violet); Font Kennedy through Piscine Africaine — Light blue; Petit Marché through Grand Arche - fuchsia (bright purple); Hao's through Bleicher's - orange; Hameed's Corner through Brankaizer - red; Hotel Central through Hotel Drammen - yellow; Sarkis Palace through Zinder's Fort — green; Anil through Air Mountains - dark blue.

The rules for payment of rents: for most properties, roll dice, take total times 100 cfa and bargain.

— each house doubles the rent
— to buy a bence but, pay 50% price of property
— to buy a villa, trade in by paying 10% price of property
— to pay rent for Dashe, roll dice take total times 100 cfa
— to pay Miguel, roll dice take total times 100 cfa (same for PTT)
— if one player owns both Miguel and PTT, take dico total times 250 cfa; own all royalties, you become an El Hadji, you set price
— to get out of jail, pay 5000 cfa or miss 2 turns while trying to call Niguel or roll doubles which means you get a quick connection.

The YACHT cards should be made approximately 3" x 4". Designs - individual cards is left to you. You may even want to add some crops to your own.

1. Climb a cactus tree — ALLEZ AU SAVATE NATIONAL
2. Berka da sail — pay 300 cfa
3. Cadea a lepar — pay 10 cfa
4. "Boy's salary" — pay 5000 cfa
5. Wallet stolen but luckily at end of month — pay 4000 cfa
6. House broken into — pay 4000 cfa
7. Nappyloot breaks down — pay 2500 cfa
8. No gas bottles in town — pay 900 cfa
9. Ripped off at market — pay 200 cfa
10. No money to eat — pay 300 cfa
11. Take a ride on Housapha's taxi bureau to Zinder — 1000 cfa
12. Take a ride on SNH to Niamey — 500 cfa
13. Electricity/water turned off, go to Miguel
14. PC forgets to forward letters, go to PTT — pay 2x rent
15. Get stoned — pay for Miguel 750 cfa
16. PC forgets to send mandate, go to nearest bar, don't collect if you pass goal
17. Latrine saves in — pay 3000 cfa
18. No house available at post — lose turn
19. Totally sick — transfer to Addis Ababa
20. Banned off plane at last moment, go to bureau
21. Hit by camel — pay 750 cfa
22. Deathly sick, take taxi bureau to Niamey — from N'guigmi — pay 3000 cfa even after get refund
23. Rat patrol found rat but don't celebrate, it was in your house!
24. Take photograph of Zinder's Fort — ALLEZ AU SAVATE NATIONAL

The size of the board should be the same size as above.

1. Add person invites you for Easter dinner, go to Sore
2. Package arrives from bed and bath — pay 1000 cfa
3. Invited to swim and eat at Club — bank pays 500 cfa
4. Merchant asks fair price for Hausa blanket — bank pays 250
5. Guardian catches would-be thief - bank pays 200 cfa
6. Mandat arrives on time - bank pays 5000 cfa
7. Insurance pays off - bank pays 2000 cfa
8. Staff member buys you drinks (of course there is only one of these cards) - bank pays 500 cfa
9. Plane leaves on time - bank pays 2500 cfa
10. Vacation to Dakar, Lome, Ouagadougou - bank pays 6000 cfa
11. Wallet stolen . . . and returned intact - bank pays 1500 cfa
12. Free ride to Maradi with friendly anasara - bank pays 600 cfa
13. Medi-vac to Germany during erfest - bank pays 6000 cfa
14. Trip to Timbuktu on salt caravan - bank pays 2500 cfa
15. Conference in Zinder - bank pays 750 cfa
16. Trip to Washington DC for "unknown reason" - (if this is the second time you have selected this card you're out of the game)
17. Re-up for third year thus psycho-vac to bureau
18. Join Youth Development, advance to Braniger then to nearest autogare
19. TEFU teachers! Schools on strike, advance to nearest-bar...
20. PC gives you new mobylette, bank pays 2500 cfa
21. Mid-term physical, advance to hostel

The money can be made to any style of your liking. The game starts with each player having 58,000 cfa plus or minus a few. When you pass goal, collect anywhere from 20,000 cfa to 50,000 cfa, depending on if the other players are looking. Of course there is no time limit in the game. Playing pieces are not included in this package. Some suggestions are: Aralen tablets, iodine tablets, peanuts, old chewing gum, Flag bottle cap, goat droppings, any teeth that have fallen out.

The construction or acquisition of dice is left to your imagination and resourcefulness.

Any further questions of clarifications regarding this game should be addressed to the Camel Express. Please be specific. (The creators take no responsibility for their actions.)

--- MONTY'S MAXIMS ---

**Law of Vocabulary Teaching:**
A word than then be mispronounced, will be mispronounced.

**Law of Niger Travel:** The length of a taxi brousse ride is directly proportional to the number of people crammed in the back with you.

**Law of Irregular Verb Teaching:**
Where there's a will, there's a will'n't.

**Law of Cooking:** As soon as you find all the things needed to bake a chocolate cake, your gas bottle runs out.

**Law of Promising Photos to Your Students:** DON'T

**Law of Mornings:** The decibel level of your neighbor's guinea hen is inversely proportional to your desire to wake up.

**Corollary to above, but applied to evenings:** This decibel level is directly proportional to your desire to

--- WHAT DID THEY SAY? ---

Try translating these contemporary Hausa proverbs
1. Lokaci, kudi ne. (seen on a taxi brousse)
2. Yau nan, gobe can. (uttered by a stoic marabout)
3. Ka saya yanzu, ka biya a gaba. (mai-tebur's latest sales pitch)
4. Hamsin du nudu, arbai'in, ko basu kashe. (political slogan)
5. A sau kudinka cikin bakinka. (CEG students' one-upmanship)
6. Kaman satan alawa na jariri ne. (advice on alms-soliciting from anasaras)
7. Wanda yake daryiya da wuce, ya yi dariya sosai. (sentiments of a terminating volunteer)

(Answers on later page)

Reduction arrived at from 2 laws on decibel levels: Guinea hens never sleep.
Obviously on some sort of mind-altering drug.
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1,000 Mille Francs Fund
THE END IS NEAR FOR THOSE NEARING THE END

by STEVE NORTH

You'll be finishing your two-year commitment in Niger soon, and these last few months are going to pass so fast you won't know what happened. If you are thinking about requesting an extension for a third year in Niger, you should nonetheless be searching for alternatives to give yourself a choice in the matter.

Following are a couple such alternatives. Planning now will increase your choices and avert future anxieties. Read on!

Cornell Study Opportunities in International Agriculture

Over the last few years, Cornell University has received a number of overseas requests from volunteers concerning international agriculture and rural development programs at Cornell. It is clear that many PCVs actively consider a career in the field of international agriculture as a result of their experiences in the Peace Corps. Cornell University has forwarded to me several copies of their brochure "International Agriculture and Rural Development: Study Opportunities at Cornell," and if you write to me I will send you one of the two brochures I have.

Tanzania SALUT Project

Arthur Theisen, former PCD in Cameroon and Zaire, is currently Executive Officer for Soil and Land Use Technology, Inc. (SALUT). His firm is proposing to assist Tanzania to mount an integrated rural development project in the Arusha region. His firm is interested in recruiting PCVs to staff the project. Brief job descriptions and desired qualifications follow. Anyone interested in applying should write Dr. Theisen at SALUT, P.O. Box 1153, Columbia, MD. 21044.

1. Agricultural Specialist
   48 month assignment
   Must have at least four years of experience with an M.S. degree
   Will act as deputy in a project involving over a dozen specialists. Should be available for four years. Will coordinate all agricultural assistance activities and will assist in the development of an agricultural information system and in the Arusha agricultural development plan. Will assist in the implementation of village-level agricultural production plans.

2. Rural Development Specialist
   16 month assignment
   Two years experience with at least a BS in rural sociology, anthropology, ag economics, etc. Sawili very desirable
   Will work at the district level with extension agents and other government officials in all aspects of the implementation of the agricultural project.

3. Appropriate Technology Specialist
   36 month assignment
   MS degree or extensive experience in related fields. Engineering might be helpful.
   Will assist in the development of the Arusha development plan.
   Will assist in the organization & development of an appropriate technology center. Will assist in training of host country staff and will develop linkages between the center and the villages.

4. Rural Industry Specialist
   36 Months
   Should have a degree in engineering and three years experience in the development of small industries.
   Will assist in development of the Arusha agricultural development plan. In conjunction with Tanzanian organizations, will establish village enterprises. Will develop linkages with several Tanzanian organizations such as small industries.
EARTHWATCH Explorers Prove Globe (Reconnection, January 1979)

Former volunteers interested in scientific exploration are invited to contact EARTHWATCH, a clearinghouse that seeks volunteers to accompany scientists on research expeditions around the globe and throughout the United States. Inexperienced volunteers work with experts - anthropologists, geologists, archeologists, and naturalists - making scientific and humanistic searches and discoveries. Since the organization began in 1970, some 2,500 volunteers, many of them former Peace Corps volunteers, have joined EARTHWATCH expeditions.

EARTHWATCH spokespeople Robin Foster describes the program: "EARTHWATCH is a scientific Peace Corps mobilizing research expeditions which are privately staffed and funded. Participating volunteers are entitled to tax deductions covering their share of costs and transportation."

In 1975, EARTHWATCH will support 15 projects in earth sciences, marine sciences, life sciences, and the humanities in 20 states and 32 countries.

EARTHWATCH offers a wellspring of field experience for ex-Peace Corps and VISTA volunteers. Those with M.A.s continuing their research abroad may apply to EARTHWATCH for support. The majority of former volunteers, however, will likely want to join EARTHWATCH as members ($20/yr.) to learn of research teams which need their help.

EARTHWATCH volunteers need not be competent in the sciences to apply because they will be taught what they need to know in the field. EARTHWATCH simply looks for people who have good sense and good humor - curiosity, sensitivity, flexibility, and concern for other people are the important ingredients."

For more information about the program, write Robin Foster, EARTHWATCH, 10 Juniper Road, Box 127FC, Belmont, Mass. 02178.

Kennedy Fellowships

The Kennedy School of Government is seeking leaders in national and international affairs - men and women with outstanding character, the ability to handle complexity, and a desire to serve in positions of public responsibility. Applications from former ACTION volunteers are encouraged.

Fellows selected will enroll in the Public Policy Program of the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. The first-year curriculum is a rigorous blend of analytical methods, economics, statistics, political and organizational analysis, and management. Applications are emphasized with case studies that put the student in the decision-maker's role. Second-year students specialize in a policy area of their choice, such as urban poverty, education, health, agriculture, international development, or foreign affairs.

The Master of Public Policy is awarded after two years, with the option of continuing for the Ph.D. in Public Policy. Joint degrees with the schools of Law, Business and Medicine are also available. Fellowships will be awarded on the basis of merit in a wide variety of areas. Stipends will be based on financial need.

For more information and an application, write: Office of Admissions, Kennedy School of Government, 79 Boylston Street, Cambridge, Mass. 02138.

Overseas Personnel Services (OPS)

OPS is a service making known the qualifications of persons seeking employment in Third World countries to interested governments, United Nations specialized agencies and international relief and technical assistance organizations. It produces, from information submitted by candidates, a registry (containing names, addresses, educational preparation, previous experience, language abilities, etc.) to such governments and organizations.

If you are interested in learning about or listing your skills with OPS, write: David Dichter, Overseas Personnel Service, 9 Rue de Vermont, 1202.

I never think of the future, It comes soon enough.

- Albert Einstein
College / University Catalogs

As a PCV, if you wish to receive college / university catalogs while still in your country of service, instruct the institution to address them as follows (since most will not pay international postage) so that they can be forwarded to you via Air Pouch or airmail:

Volunteer Name / Country
c/o Outplacement, M-306
ACTION
Washington, D.C. 20525

It is imperative that you stress the necessity of including country to the university sending the catalog through the office.


TRIPLE MEANINGS

Each triple definition below stands for a three-letter word. The answer to the first one is CUE. Can you find the others?

1. acting signal, billiard stick, pigtail
2. pickpocket, downward slope, swim
3. tooth holder, rubber overshoe, chicle
4. son of Noah, kind of meat, bad actor
5. gratuity, extremity, advance information
6. line, boat ride, brawl
7. fate, great deal, movie studio
8. jail, quill, sty
9. dance, air trip, beer-flavoring plant
10. door opener, piano lever, Florida reef
11. Greek god, hard soil, metal dish
12. harbor obstruction, drinking place, lever
13. attitude, atmosphere, song
14. joke, speech retrainer, fish
15. ball club, spree, winged mammal
16. haircut, pendulum weight, whirling
17. clothes fastener, bowling target, log
18. radio chain, clear profit, snake
19. cravat, draw, railroad timber
20. pinch, cheese tang, small drink

Outplacement Counseling Brochures

Below are some materials that may be ordered from Outplacement Counseling that may be of some interest to some volunteers:

1) "Grants for Graduate Study Abroad" 1979-1980" (brochure)
2) "A Selected list of Major Fellowship Opportunities and Aids to Advanced Education for US Citizens" (brochure)
3) "Student Financial Assistance for Former PC and VISTA Volunteers - Selected Institutions" (mimeo)
4) "Schools That Have Expressed an Interest in Former Volunteers by Announcing Their Programs in Hotline" (mimeo)
5) "Careers in Government" (ACTION handbook)
6) "Urban Job Advisors" (ACTION handbook)
7) "Career Consultants" (mimeo)
8) "Agricultural and Land-Use Careers" (ACTION handbook)
9) "Careers in Social Service" (ACTION handbook)
10) "Teacher's Certification and Placement Service" (ACTION handbook)
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13) "Dig Your Job" (ACTION handbook)
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LAST MONTH'S BRAIN BUSTER- ANSWERS:

Norwegian, fox, yellow, WATER, Kools
Ukrainian, horse, blue, tea, Chest
English, snails, red, milk, Old Gold
Spaniard, dog, ivory, DJ, Lucky Strike
Japanese, ZEBRA, green, coffee, Pals

Never put off until tomorrow what you can do the day after tomorrow.

- Mark Twain
In our last issue, as you may remember, Sharon Martin published pen pal letters written by her Miamey CEG students. In this issue we have tried the opposite direction. Following are excerpts written by American eighth graders to Jeff Drumtra's Miriah CEG students:

**America's Dear 13-Year Olds...**

**Dear Pen-Pal,**

Hi! My name is Carolyn. I am 13 years old... I hate school. I like to go to parties and drink, especially homemade beer. It makes me happy! I like guys. I like to try different things---drugs, you know.

What's That?!

**Dear Pen-Pal,**

Hi, Jeff is my name and basketball is my game. I am a boy and I weigh 130 lbs. I love playing sports... I like school... My teacher is Mrs. Arneson. She is a real bitty. She is pretty nice but I hate her.

**Aren't These The Things We Stone?**

**Dear Pen-Pal,**

My favorite cartoon character is Snoopy and my favorite animals are dogs. I have a Shetland Sheepdog she is two years old & has one blue eye and one brown eye so we are not able to enter her in any dog shows.

**Sorry, Wrong Country.**

**Dear Pen-Pal,**

My name is Chuck. The weather up here is cold and snowy. How's the weather in Africa. I like tropical fish. Do you see lots of fish.

**Well, We Just Got A Latrine.**

**Dear Pen-Pal,**

In the backyard, I have a playhouse which my mother built. It's a small building with 3 rooms, a living room, kitchen, and bedroom. My mother also put electricity in it, and plans to install running water (we have a sink already in it)..... My mom is in the process of building a dollhouse. It has electricity, too!
I Know It's the Camel's Fault

Hey! This place is heaviness.
It makes me think too much.
I've started dreaming while awake.
I think I eat too much.
I'm eating way too much.
I repeat myself a lot.

I saw a camel l'entier jour.
He turned and said to me,
"Remove yourself from all this mess."
I thought a spirit he possessed,
But truth was all it is - you guessed,
I was standing in manure.

The oatmeal is all gone again.
I'll have to do more tea.
Twenty cubes should get me there,
A blissful diabetic stare
And back to dreams of talking frogs,
And diets
And of course,
"The Cause" (evolve to camel's thinking).

MORE INSURANCE EXCUSES

- Coming home, I drove into the wrong house and collided with a tree I don't have.
- I thought my window was down but found it was up when I put my hand through it.
- I told the police that I was not injured, but on removing my hat, I found that I had a fractured skull.
- In my attempt to kill a fly, I drove into a telephone pole.
- To avoid hitting the bumper of the car in front, I hit the pedestrian.
- I was sure the old fellow would never make it to the side of the road when I struck him.
- I was unable to stop in time and my car crashed into the other vehicle. The driver and passengers then left immediately for vacation with injuries.

On this hapless earth
There's small sincerity of mirth,
And laughter oft is but an art
To drown the outcry of the heart.

- Hartley Coleridge

DEAR MONTY,

When they talk about giving full autonomy to the West Bank, does that mean we won't get money from Miamey anymore? Also, will we have to get new I.D. cards?

CONCERNED VOLUNTEERS
Tora, Gothey, Say Parc W

DEAR OVS,

Look, dummies, they're talking about the Jordan River NOT the Niger. How did you get into Peace Corps anyway?

MONTY

DEAR MONTY,

I don't know what happened. At first everything was great. We'd go for long moonlit walks on my dune hand in hoof. Holding her close, seeing her figure outlined against the sand (she's got quite a set of humps), I thought it would last forever. But now she's grown more distant. She says she wants to be free to run around with the other camels and my Okie accent doesn't interest her any more. How can I keep her?

José Foray
Boza

Dear BOUZA BOZO,

Just because I look like a certain doctor doesn't mean I can get you psychocussed. You're gonna have to tell that story to somebody else. In the meantime, why don't you try hobbling her legs?

MONTY

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WHAT DID THEY SAY?  - Answers:

1. Time is money
2. Here today, gone tomorrow.
3. Buy now, pay later.
4. 5.40 or fight!
5. Put your money where your mouth is.
6. It's like taking candy from a baby.
7. He who laughs last, laughs best.

- Bill Miles
- Magaria