Glancing through the back issues of the NY TIMES from January 1971 to the present has unearthed enough worms in Ma Bell's earth to plant a million seeds of rebellion. Among the strong points in favor of our arguments that Ma Bell has been a major force in moving this country towards inflation is the fact that AT&T decided to raise the rates for TV program transmission. The rate increase affected all the TV networks. The rise in rates was passed on by the network corporations to the station's commercial sponsors. In many cases the sponsors passed the rate increase on to the consumers. Not only did commercial time cost more, but there was also a noticeable increase in the amount of commercials on the network programs.

FTC commissioner Jones replied, "TV commercials tend to suggest that use of the advertised product will solve listeners problems and fulfill their ambitions. I see no need to regulate."... Question of the month, has AT&T collected that 1.15 million dollar phone bill owed by the Democratic party since the 1968 convention?...

The following are phone facts as reported to the NY TIMES... Directory assistance service in 1970 reached 497 million, estimates for 1980 are placed at 840 million... Did you know that Ma Bell will soon be charging by the message unit all calls placed to information? AT&T says the phone company is not hiring to reduce the work force...AT&T spent 7.6 Billion dollars on new facilities in 1972... Last year the NYC FSC ordered NY TEL to pay 1.50 monthly rebate to worst service. The company estimated total rebate paid at 15 million annually...

Phone phreaking, perhaps more than any other pastime, requires a great deal of savoir faire. If you want to be free to phreak, you have to know how to watch your step. There is a definite art to speaking on the telephone. For example: it simply isn't cool to call up a friend and speak openly about illegal activities. The chances of a phreak's call being tapped are significant, and your friend won't appreciate it either. Wait for operators to click off before beeping. Other common sense rules include not giving out the names and numbers of other phreaks or those places where phone phreaks hang out or buy their equipment. Listen always for the operator to click off, and even then never assume the line is completely cool. Also remember short frequent calls are more effective than long calls. The fewer times you continue to use the same phone location the cooler it is also.

Many of the phone phreaks whom we know have been busted have known common sense rules in general, but trusted too many people into their confidence. As a rule never let too many people know you are a phone phreak; informing by others is the most common bust. Sometimes these informants turn out to be "friends". If you suspect someone is going to bust you stop phreaking for a while. This goes for any suspicions you might have. If you feel heat merely stop phreaking or find a totally new location.

Many of the phone phreaks whom we know have been approached by Ma Bell just say, "I want to talk to my lawyer first." That's all! You do not have to say anything without a lawyer. Find a lawyer you can relate to; it is not advisable to rap with an ex-DA. Remember above all that using your home phone for blue boxes is the easiest way to have Ma Bell come knocking at your door. Play it cool, and don't say.

The People's Bicentennial Commission is a group working towards a Bicentennial celebration that is not the Corporate sales ripoff or the Pro-Administration Indoctrination that the American Legion and the White House are attempting to put over on us. Rather, PBC is pushing for a nationwide education on what the values of the American Revolution and the Constitution really were, and how they've been lost. Write to them at 1846 Connecticut Ave. NW, Wash., d.c. 20036, Tell 'em Tommy Jefferson sent you.
**RED BOX PHREAKS!**

**JUST THINK WHAT YOU COULD DO IF YOU WERE EVERYWHERE!**

**CONTINUED NEXT MONTH!**
Dear YIPL,
I have found out one way to make all the long-distance calls you want from your or your friend's home phone, provided it's not bugged. The desired number is dialed direct. As soon as you hear a click, push down the hang up button several times very quickly for a second or two. An operator should come on the line shortly because apparently by pushing the button you mess up the equipment that is trying to identify your line. Give the operator a number other than your own, but with the same prefix. It is best to use a number that's not in service or of a pay phone so the phone co. won't try to find out who called the number. I tried in Houston, but it didn't work. If it works in your locality—then great! Use it to make long 800 and information calls appear on other people's records, too. Keep up the great work.

-SW TEXAS-

In August of 1970 I called up information and got a man on the line. He said he was information and after a while I got him to tell me how he got on the line. He told me all you have to do is call 411, wait for the assistant to hang up, and just hold on to the line. Well, I did this and to my surprise people would come on the line asking for information. The line would be completely silent between callers and I wouldn't have to hang up. There was just a click and I knew someone else was on the line. I did this for 3 days. After that, since 1970 I haven't been able to do it. If anyone knows of this happening, I hope they can tell me how it can be done now.

Also, during the same time period, I used to dial 830-7267 and the line was dead. Once in a while I would hear two people then talk to each other. Any more numbers that do that anymore?

-5. BKLM, N. Y. -

DEAR YIPL
I was reading your article on the T network for pay stations. You can also place free local calls from a prepay station by lifting the receiver and grounding one side of the line. It operates the coin relay allowing you to dial out.

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