## Telephone Operators Maybe Compelled to Listen In

Telephone operators might be forced to listen in on conversations if Congress places responsibility on the communications companies for enforcing anti-gambling legislation now up for consideration in the Sen ate, John J. Hanselman, Assistant Vice-President of the American Tele phone and Telegraph Company, told the Senate Foreign and Interstate Commerce Committee.

The bill under consideration, Senate Bill 2116, contains a provision which says in effect that it would be unlawful to furnish any commu nication facility used to transmit or receive gambling information. Penalties are provided. Asking how a telephone company can know whether one of its facilities is being used for this purpose Hanselman stated "In order to protect ourselves from a barrage of indictments for violations . . . it might well be that the telephone industry would be for ced to establish a pracice of listening in on telephone calls and requiring operators, of whom there are a quarter of a million, to report what they might construe to be the transmission of gambling information.

There are well over half a billion toll messages originated each year in interstate commerce. Hanzelman pointed out. "The magnitude of such a job is unthinkable. But far more important is the fact that it would put private industry in the business of crime detection and law enforceent." He added that he could not conceive that the Congress would wish to put the communications carriers in such a position "or that the general public would stand for any such violations of the privacy of telephone conservations."

## Women Auto Drivers Are Among the Best

Cartoonnists of the past have built many a gag on women drivers, back-seat drivers and other real or imagined foibles of the fair sex in relation to the automobile.

So it was a little unusual and decidedly refreshing when the Nation al Safety Council announced the es tablishment of an annual award to the woman who contributes the most to traffic safety.

It is called the Carol Lane Award, since the project is being underwritten by an Oil Company and Carol Lane is the name of the women's travel director of that company.

We can only compliment the com pany and the Council for this recognition of the role women can play in making our streets and highways safer.

Dorothy Thompson said: "The his tory of the reforms women have advocated is the history of the humanizing of our society."

The traffic toll is reaching such proportions that major reform is called for. Women can and should play a leading part.

If women have been back-seat drivers in safety, here is an invitation to them to sit up front.

## Hunters Begin Fall Season, With Squirrels, Doves And Woodcock

Hunters took to the woods and marshes last week, as season opened on sqquirrel, dove and woodcock.

The State Inland Fish and Game Commission said squirrel should be plentiful, and birds in fair quantity. Hunting for all three became legal Friday, October 5. The squirrel season runs to October 31, with a daily bag limit of six, and 12 in pos session. The dove season will extend to November 3, with a daily limit of 8 and a possession limit of 25. The woodcock season is the same as dove, with a daily bag limit of 4, and 8 in pocsession.

## Men with Pre-Induction Notice Can Still Enlist

Anyone in Queen Anne's county receiving his pre-induction notice for the armed services or his pre-induction physcal notce may still enlist in the regular Army or Air Force.

This announcement was made by Sgt. R. E. Hammond, recruiter for the Army and Air Force at Cambridge sub-station. Further informa tion may be obtained from Sgt. Ham mond. He said that the extension had been made through the month of October.

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## Mail to GI's Overseas Early

Christmas packages forthe troops in Korea should be in the mail by October 15 and no later than November 1, postal officials said Saturday.

Those for troops in Europe should be in the mail by November 1 and no later than Noember 15.

Packagevs for Korea should not exceed 70 pounds in weight nor 100 inches in length and girth combined and securely wrapped and tied in heavy corrugated cardboard cartons. They should be fully and tightly packed .

The same specifications apply to Christmas packages destined for Europe with the exception of those sent to Army Post Office Nos. 124, 125, 147 and 179. Packages sent to those APO's should not exceed 50 pounds in weight and must be indorsed as bona fide gifts or personal effects intended for use by military personnel or dependents.

Further information may be obtained from the Postmaster at Queenstown.

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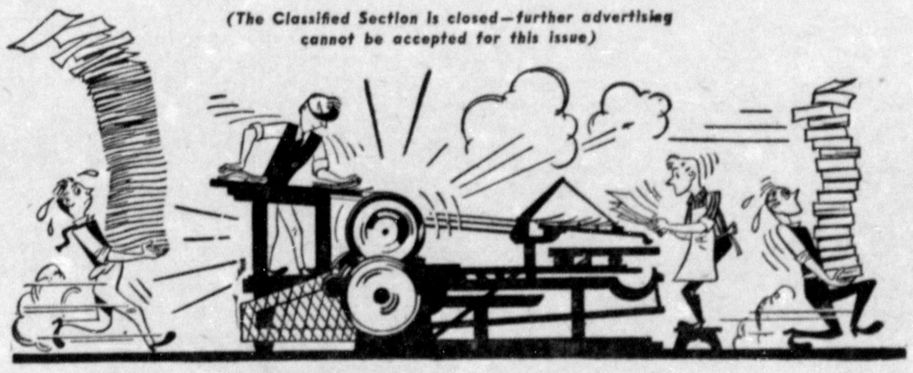

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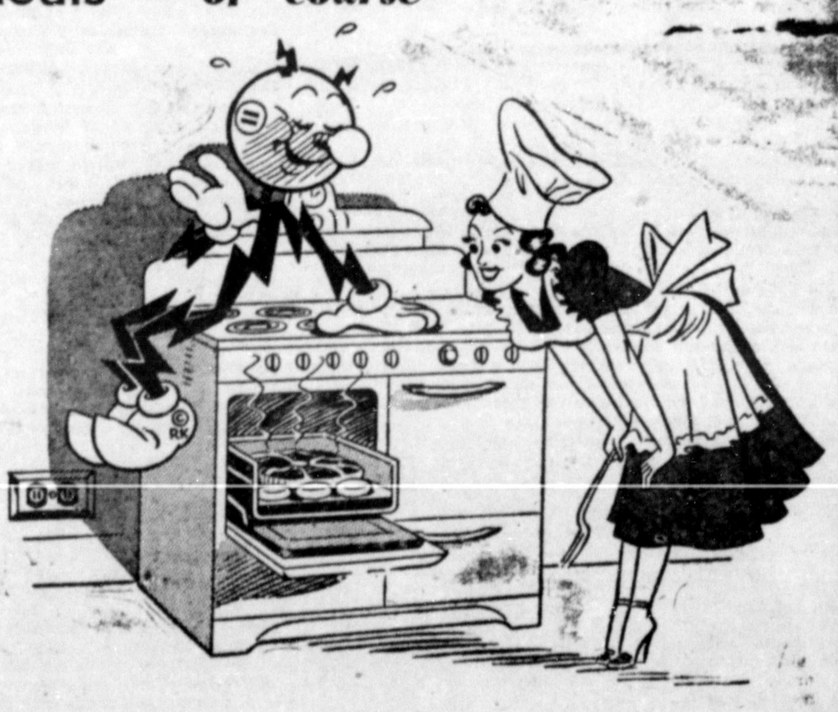

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