

Woke up stiff all over (lumpy bed). I had inadvertently spread two sheets of newspaper in one spot.

The *www* is a labor saving device it reduces the number of cooks, makes the broth better and saves on the overhead—no sense in double-cracking the officialdom. One set of officials is enough for any given industry.

Nationalistic philosophy ordains that neighboring nations be carved-up into small areas with an officialdom that shames the glory that was Rome—every national "crossroads" shall then maintain an ambassador and legation in 147 different countries at terrific expense, champagne and caviar, waves of sweet words and Chesfieldian bows—and the great nation of Higgins Corners goes bankrupt.

Europe doesn't need 147 Kings, queens, dukes, fuhrers and presidents—one good bottle-washer would be sufficient, to cover the field.

America doesn't need sixty-eleven labor-leaders—one good bookkeeper could handle it working five minutes a day—better still if he took a half holiday every day...

Skip the introduction: I have tried to raise it from these Philistines but the people evidently believe you don't have to be a contortionist to say no. Whereas if they said yes, they might throw their vocal chords out of joint and become speechless for the rest of their lives; lost chords and stuff like that. Clearly it is a matter of least resistance, in fee simple. As any philosopher will tell, for they all live in attics and basement apartments.

Note: Fee simple is a crossword from the days of the boiled-beef empire.

Sometimes I think the people are worse off than I am myself and I have a mind to tell the *FW* editor: if you want these writings, come and get 'em.