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I COMMAND YOU TO COMMAND ME



See that dumb bracelet up there? I meant to send those out last month to the \$10+ Patreon members, but they took forever to send me the 4 samples I ordered, so only 4 of you got them.

So then I ordered about 100 of them and I hoped that they would be here this month, but they're still not here and it's almost the middle of the month and I still don't have them. So once again you guys get lame stuff. I'm full of excuses.

My point is that I'm **SORRY** and I'm going to try harder to have things in time each month that aren't completely boring like the buttons and stickers that are likely to be included this month. Bracelets for sure next month. And hopefully some new stickers for you \$5 level guys. For realies! I promise!

We're almost up to \$600 per month on Patreon. The site lies and says we're at \$870 or so, but the amount that I received this month was \$530 and the actual amount contributed was around \$590ish, before Patreon's cut. That's not a complaint - \$530 is amazing.

My new milestone project to come up with some kind of full-sized poster. I'm working on that right now and I'm still not sure if my idea for a poster is going to suck or if it'll be amazing, but we should know soon. If it's really horrible and you all vote it out of existence, I'll try a different poster idea.

My question for you people, though, is what else should I be working towards? What new milestones should I add? What new things should I make? What crazy antics should I come up with for us all to do? What would **you** like to see happen here at the PLA Situation Room?

Most of my milestones involve PLA merchandise, such as the vinyl album, the stickers, the poster, the CD album and the chal-

lenge coins that I recently added. Also, I'm just having random stuff made with the money each month, like stickers and rubber bracelets and whatever else I can think of.

And then there's the events, like the radio station phone mob we're going to do together, the in-person video prank for me, and more security cam pranks. And, of course, there's more Telephone Falls. Hopefully you guys are enjoying the extra shows I've been putting out. I did 8 during May and I'm going to try my best to stay at *least* up to 8 for this month too.

But yeah, what else is there? What would you like to see? I seriously need some feedback on this. Do you want higher quality shows in stereo? Some kind of wacky smartphone app? More YouTube stuff? More shows? A live video stream of me sleeping? And what kind of things would you like to receive in

your care packages each month?

You're all paying me, so I command you to command me to do things. I might ignore your ideas, but I will consider everything that's suggested.

Send an email or a voicemail to me, or maybe just go on the PLA forums and post your suggestions in there so we can get a conversation going about it.

Let me know if I'm slacking too much with all this stuff. Give me a good yelling at and tell me to get to fucking work. We're all in this together and I need help staying motivated and help with your ideas. Show me the way!



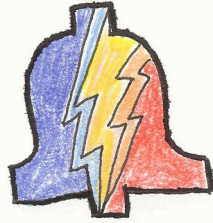
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This is an article that was printed in  The Village Voice in 1963. A group of weirdos, apparently against advancing technology, were upset that the telephone companies were phasing out letter-based dialing. Back in the olden days, telephone “numbers” were a combination of 2 letters and then 5 digits. For example, a phone number on that same newspaper page was OX 7-5895, which translates into 697-5895. This is why phone dials and keypads had numbers on them decades before texting was a thing. Crazy, eh? Join us next month when we explain why hashtags existed before Twitter.



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by John Wilcock

The Anti-Digit Dialing League

Out in the West, where digit dialing (replacing telephone exchange names with numbers) has made more inroads than anywhere else, there has been considerable opposition to the telephone company's plans. In fact, the Anti-Digit Dialing League (571 Seventh Street, San Francisco) has several thousand members and is busy preparing a court case against the phone company.

The ADDL's case is that numbers are harder to remember than letters and also more inhuman. Their booklet reports that nine out of ten voters (in a poll conducted by the SF Chronicle) supported their views, but that the phone company refuses to listen to reason on the grounds that changing from letters to numbers allows the use of more needed combinations. (The ADDL says this a lie and produces figures to back up their charge in a booklet called “Phones Are for People.”)

But it's the same old story: despite protests, the phone company will neither listen to reason nor discuss the situation. And so far, 17 million of the nation's 77-million phones have lost their letters in favor of numbers. The time to reverse the trend is NOW.

What I suggest is that all of you—anywhere in the U. S.—who object to this arrogant attitude of the phone company pick up the telephone at any and every opportunity, dial “O” (it won't cost you anything), and say to the operator: “I'm calling to register my vote against digit dialing.” You might even have rubber stamps or stickers made saying: “Call ‘O’ to Vote Against Digit Dialing.”

If the phone company gets enough calls, I think they might be ready to discuss the matter with ADDL's lawyers. At the moment they refuse to debate the issue.

I guess I Should Write Something Here

It's July 12th and I still haven't finished up this stupid newsletter things that I think I need to do every single month for some reason. I bet nobody even reads it, so what's the point. Hold on, let me enlarge the font so this doesn't take as long.

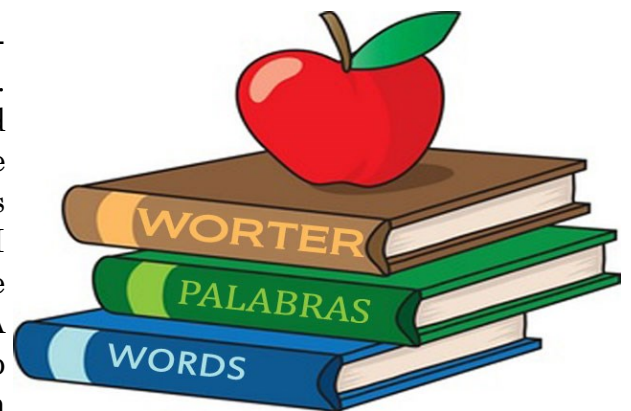
Yeah, there we go. And I'll search google for “stupid clip art” and paste whatever



comes up here to fill more space. Perfect. I bet people who like PLA can't even read anyway so

this will be completely unnoticed. Yeah, words and stuff. Blah blah de blah blah. This is like that time I needed to fill some space in the PLA book so I filled up several pages with the word “cactus” and tried to pass it off as a dumb joke and it *worked*. Nobody complained. Hahaha, suckers.

Not much further to go. Then I can print off a few dozen of these and fill their enve-



lopes with random crap that they don't need and I'm done. Done done done. No more than 5 lines left to fill up with text that won't be read. And those who read it will just think I'm trying to be funny. Genius. My balls itch.