Train trip climaxes Spring Weekend

Left: Date lounges languorously on escalator in long train trip. Destination: Hampton Beach Casino, New Hampshire.

Above: These three lovely apparitions are "The Angels," entertaining the Spring Weekend crowd at the Hampton Beach Casino.

Postal official orders immediate crackdown on chain letter schemes

An appeal of college campus chain letter schemes has prompted Chief Postal Inspector Henry B. Greer to order a nation-wide crackdown on violators of the postal and fraud laws.

According to Montague, many of the chain letters involve the United States Savings Bonds, Pension Mon-ey Orders, and cash. He cited reports of chain letter schemes at colleges in Mississippi, Wisconsin, Indiana, and in the New England area, among others.

Montague has warned that even though some of the chain letters may not mail, the schemes still may be violations of the postal and fraud laws, since the proceeds from the chain letters are usually mailed.

The typical chain letter provides for a monetary item to be sent to the name on the top of a list enclosed with the letter. The first name is then removed and the next person's name is added to the bottom of the list. Copies of the letter are sent to two or more people.

Montague noted an increase in chain letter activity in college towns across the country has prompted the crackdown order. The participants, he said, usually appear to be college students.

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