

# TELENET

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Dial-a-jury



In TAP issue #61, Ben Dump set forth the basics of accessing time-sharing computer facilities. In this issue I want to go into further detail explaining how to login to various types of systems and explaining what you can do once you are there. This and other computer articles in this series are written in a style assuming you have read issue #61, or have a basic computer knowledge. If you don't have issue #61, BUY IT!

The best computer network to break around on is GTE TeleNet. They have local dial-ups in over 250 cities, and a million computers online. To obtain your local dial-up, call TeleNet Customer Assistance on their 1-800-441-1111 (800) 326-0437 and ask them. They are happy to tell you.

When you get on TeleNet, as with any other computer network, you must give it the address of the computer you wish to access. The beauty of TeleNet is the fact that they arrange all the computers for Bell System Area Code! A sample address looks like this (the @ is the TeleNet prompt):  
@ C 212164

The @ tells TeleNet that the connection is Collect (the computer company pays for your connection). The 212 is the New York City Area Code, and 164 is the actual identifying number of the computer system.

If you were to go through and attempt a C 21201 through C212300 (they never go above 300) you could map out all of the computers online in the New York City area. When TeleNet connects you to a system, and you get sick of it, press the F key and get back to the TeleNet prompt, type @ C/R (where C/R is Carriage Return or Enter key) and you will be back at the familiar TeleNet @ prompt. Now type D C/R. D is for Disconnect.

If you get error messages while scanning, such as ILLEGAL ADDRESS, HOST NOT RESPONDING, REJECTING, etc., this means that there is no computer associated with that network address, or for some reason or another, the system does not want to accept any connections from TeleNet. Just ignore these addresses and keep scanning. If TeleNet should hang, hit BREAK and you should be dropped back to the @ prompt. If all else fails, hang up and call back.

Some of the Companies which have computers on TeleNet are:  
Dun & Bradstreet, TRW Credit, Wells Fargo Bank, Citibank, Source Telecomputing, Datacom Inc, Republican National Party, Democratic Party Computer, and thousands of other large and small business and industrial firms, colleges and universities, commercial computing services, data banks, and government agencies.

For you techno freaks, TeleNet accepts any almost any parity/bit configuration you care to send. TeleNet dialups are for 110/300 baud. GTE TeleNet Customer Service can also give you a 1200 baud dialup if you need one. Because TeleNet uses the CCITT X.25 packet network protocol standard, all users appear to be using the same protocol. There are no incompatibilities. TeleNet operates as a multi-level hierarchical network consisting of a high speed 56 Kbps backbone network, and local distribution networks. Everything is redundant, and each intelligent node is equipped with standby processor components ready to take over immediately if active components fail, etc., etc. If you fail, your GTE representative... If you have any specific questions, write me c/o TAP!

DETROIT - Three years ago Bruce Power found Michigan Bell Telephone \$1,000,000 New Bell Over \$125,000.

It started when Power's phone was disconnected for nonpayment. Power got mad enough to sue a year later when a phone company bill collector called the school where he worked as a custodian and said damaging things.

Power has since paid his bill. It took a jury of probable telephone company customers less than an hour to find in Power's favor.

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Howdy Tom:  
Please announce to your group, and to whoever you can send the word to, that Centapp, the recently created association of Texas Phone Phreaks, is sponsoring a Spring conference.

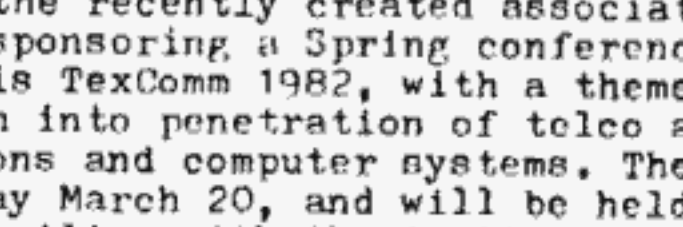
The name of the conference is TexComm 1982, with a theme to emphasize research into penetration of telco and other corporate communications and computer systems. The date of the conference is Saturday March 20, and will be held here in Austin. If you aren't familiar with the Austin area, then hang on; more information on this conference will be reaching you shortly.

Austin is quite enviable in mid-March. The weather is warm, the sun is bright, the city is green, and the chicks are hornier than a Texas longhorn. We have quite a few hot night spots that will introduce you to the real Texas. It's going to be an interesting day, but moreover, it will be a memorable night!

Admission is \$3. Advance payment is encouraged. Address inquiries to Centapp, and info on hotels, etc. will be sent. It would be great if you the TAP crew to make it down to Austin for the best time they'll have this year.

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Director, Centapp

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The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time.  
- Thomas Edison



ANOTHER WAY TO "GET LOST"

Go to a post office, preferably one out of your regular habitat, and buy a box, ID, etc. will be required. Pay the box rent for a full year, or for the longest period they will let you.

Now, have all your bills and other undesirable mail addressed to you at this box number. Let the mail stay in the box. (It might be wise to empty the box now and then for the first week or so so the postmaster will have no cause to suspect your plan). Mail that accumulates in the post office box will stay there until the box rent next becomes due and until the grace period has ended; could be up to or more than a year. The postmaster will then mark all the letters "box closed, unable to forward" and send them back to the senders. By now you can be long gone and almost forgotten about. (Except by those poor suckers with red faces who just got all their bills back!)

Because mail addressed to PO boxes is handled in this manner it is wise to make official inquiry about any firm using a box and to whom you have sent money and heard nothing after a reasonable length of time. Most firms who use PO box addresses are legit. More and more firms are using boxes because mail is delivered a little quicker and it is more secure. However, don't feel a bit bad about making inquiry if PO box users tend to ignore you. Postal rules now permit you to get the name and home address of box holders upon verbal request. No special forms or written request is required any more.

- Nikola Testicle

MA BELL GIVES BODIES THE BLUES: American Telephone and Telegraph recently announced that it has developed a foolproof device for catching users of illegal "blue boxes." These ingenious electronic gadgets for decoding the phone company's long distance tones codes and making free long distance calls have been around for 16 years and cost the Bell System \$5 million to develop. AT&T's new electronic marvel detects blue box calls immediately and routes the phone numbers of both ends of the line. The caller is immediately warned that he has been discovered and that he will be billed for the call. How the device will work when both caller and receiver are on pay phones was not explained.

COMPUTER PRODUCER LIVES: According to a report by the Detroit House outraged hundreds of thousands of people in the area demanded that their spouses be told that their husbands had been caught using a computer. The letters resulted from a mix-up of computer tapes. Hotel Manager Jerry Belton, who had been called and demanded a reproduction while his wife was in a motel, became so annoyed to use it against her husband in a divorce proceeding. Belton's wife thought he was talking about the man who was selling aluminum siding.

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ALL THE PASSWORDS: The firms thing you want to do once you managed to login is print out a list of all the user accounts and passwords in the system. If you are stored in a file called MFD (Master File Directory) has a stock password of XXXXXX. A user ID is not required to change it. One way say programmers are smart! Here is what to type to get it to print the list:  
MFD XXXXX 0  
MFD XXXXX 0 (then on MFD 1 and MFD 2 etc.)

THE COMPUTER WILL BETTER PRINT IT ALL OUT. If it keeps saying syntax like ACCESS VIOLATION or MFD is not a valid user ID, then the MFD password is not XXXXXX. If you guess the correct one, you're in business!

COMMANDS: Some basic commands and their usage are:  
LIST: Prints a list of all the files on that file.  
FILE: Prints out the contents of that file.  
RESUME FILE - if file is a program; this runs it.  
PRINT - these two commands will cause the system to print out many of the available commands.  
A UPD - where UPD is any UPD or program; if you are there, and if you type LIST you can find look at all the programs on that UPD.

Until next time, good luck, and take care. If you have any questions, please drop me a line c/o TAP!

PRECAUTIONS by Dr. Atomic  
PRECAUTIONS: A new DEA policy worth mentioning is the "glow powder" trick. The DEA will coat the all the UPD accounts and passwords in the system with a substance that is not visible until exposed to ultra-violet light. Even if one can't see the glow, the information is enough for possession and conspiracy.

WATCHED PRECURSOR LIST: All precursors are watched. Any order that is at all suspicious to a chemical company "Customer Service Manager" or other sales person may send him scurrying to the phone to call in the report (and your license plate number) to the DEA. Rumor has it that the DEA pays them up to \$2,000 per lab barrel. Some things which arouse suspicion are new accounts, over-the-counter cash purchases, even large purchases of solvents such as ether, acetone, or alcohol.

STING: Buckeye Scientific Company, a well known DEA sting operation that sells "watched precursor" was advertising in Mother Earth News Classified recently - selling Piperidine, p-2-p, and other precursors. The former owner of Buckeye, the late Dick Hall, was also, in his opinion, a very successful chemist, who were really undercover DEA agents, to unsuspecting technologists who needed technical help; one would not have to ask for the assistance because Hall was only too glad to provide it. For more details see U.S. v. Hall; vol 509 Federal Supplement at page 998 (1981).

THE CONTROLLED BUY: This is a situation where an informant is used by the police to make a purchase of precursor, drug, or other contraband. The informant is searched by the police before he goes to make the purchase; he goes alone and turns over the evidence upon his return. Believe-it-or-not, the informant is searched by the police before he goes to make the purchase. The informant is searched by the police before he goes to make the purchase. The informant is searched by the police before he goes to make the purchase.

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## Secret devices sold in error

WASHINGTON - The U.S. Army sent a top secret device to a contractor who sold it to a civilian.

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