

unprecedented contribution to the department; but not a significant contribution. Significant of what?

It would be tedious to continue this process of annotation, but it is suggested that members of the department give second thoughts in their drafting of telegrams and letters before using the following:

Highlights and highlight; in a position to; image; posture; stance; in the very near future; for your information; most sympathetic consideration; irregardless; in the last (or final) analysis; we are pleased to advise you; represents; key-note; involve; prior; prior to; appropriate; by means of; whereby; such (this or these is usually preferable); in such case; by reason of; individuals; so as to; in order that; save (for "except"); dynamic; **peruse; deem.**

Supplementary Note

Many members of the department need to be reminded that "loan" is a noun and "lend" is a verb. "He loaned me \$10 when I was broke at the Woodbine" is suitable at the Woodbine, but not in the department; and a youngster may ask "Can I have the lend of the scissors". Unless at the Woodbine, or in talking with children, writers should use loan and lend conventionally.¹ "Imply" and "infer" should also be used properly; and there is a distinction worth retaining between "farther" and "further". Members of the department should not abandon the struggle to retain the separate identities of "disinterested" and "uninterested", and they should know also the distinction between "comprise" and "include".

- (1) A foot-note may be useful here for those unable or unwilling to claim Toronto as their birth-place. The woodbine is a race-track near Toronto. Whether the business practices of the Woodbine are identical with or only similar to those of the Toronto Stock Exchange is a disputed point. There seems, however, to be unanimity that the end result (or the overall result, as preferred in the department) is usually disastrous.