

which tells the over-all story of your past. If you don't find that you are related to yourself in the process, thus cutting down the number of possible ancestors in the tenth generation, you will be a most unusual individual.

Coffee in Offices

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Advantages of the coffee vender are that it provides coffee at any time during the day, without requiring any more time than it takes to put the coin in the slot and drink the coffee. If there is no scheduled coffee break, the vending machine makes it possible for employees to choose natural stopping places in their work. Otherwise, the appearance of a mobile cart, or the morning order to the nearby restaurant becomes an unscheduled social hour which stops all production at once, often even on the part of those employees who do not want coffee themselves. Venders are cheaper than send-in orders from restaurants, although it is possible for employees to save by making their own or bringing it from home in a gallon vacuum jug.

Some Organizations Serve Coffee

Twenty of the Institute's respondents said that their morning coffee came from the company cafeteria, either in coffee carts or in individual containers carried in by one member of the department delegated to bring them. Companies with experience in wartime industrial feeding sometimes have mobile carts which make the rounds of the office as well as the factory with a vacuum jug of coffee and paper cups. Two companies report that their employees make their own coffee and serve it in china cups brought from home, despite the lack of provision for safe dishwashing in most offices. Several others add the job of making coffee to the duties of the matron in charge of the women's lounge. Cor-

porations providing rest space for their women employees suitable for coffee brewing find themselves in the anomalous position of making coffee available to women employees only.

For the office or department with a dozen employees, it is possible to save the staff time employed in sending out for coffee, making change with messengers, and distributing orders to desks by installing a small coffee-making operation inside the office. In one small office, the management has supplied a 12-cup electric coffee maker. Every morning, the office boy makes a pot full of coffee, pours it out in hot drink paper cups, and delivers a cup to each member of the staff with sugar and evaporated milk as desired by each individual. Small cans of milk are used, a fresh one opened each day, and the remainder immediately thrown out. After coffee is distributed, the of-

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