

conditions arising from pregnancy, medical observation, tuberculosis, quarantinable diseases and all conditions excluded specifically by the general exclusions of the CSEA health plan.

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Gobbledegook

J. D. Strickland, Cal-Aero Institute registrar, has advanced his own interpretations of a number of Government terms.

Program — Any assignment that can't be completed by one phone call.

Channels—The trail left by an inter-office memo.

Expedite — Confound confusion with commotion.

Expediter — One who does same while riding on fast trains and staying in good hotels.

Efficiency expert — A guy who trains expeditors.

Coordinator — A guy who has a desk between two expeditors.

Liaison officer — A person who talks well and listens better but has no authority to make a definite statement.

Criteria—Measures which the other guy uses to underestimate what you already have overestimated.

Incentive program — A scheme to titillate a submerged urge.

Activate — To make carbons and add name to the memorandum.

Under consideration—Never heard of.

Under active consideration — We are looking in the files for it.

In transmittal—We're sending it to you because we're tired of holding the bag.

Conference—A place where conversation is substituted for the dreariness of labor and the loneliness of thought.

Modification of policy—A complete reversal which nobody admits.

Spell out—Break big hunks of gobbledegook into little hunks of gobbledegook.

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