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Letters to the Editor

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requirements of those currently being hired by the airlines, the qualifying certificates required (usually from federal agencies), the working conditions, the salary (remember to adjust for future changes), the employment outlook, and a final analysis, which is referred to as, "the bottom line."

Maples and NTC are to be applauded for the obvious attempt that they have made to avoid the use of sexist language. Unfortunately, a misconception in the aviation community is that the use of "he" automatically means "she" as well. This practice, which some find offensive, may be a deeply-rooted habit that is perpetuated because the Rules of Construction in Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR) Part 1 state that words importing the masculine gender include the feminine. This is a weak argument if you consider the ever-increasing numbers of women in every phase of aviation/ aerospace. If credibility is to be fully achieved, every effort should be made to reflect current

conditions in the area of Human Resources.

Each section of *Aerospace Careers* is complete with current and accurate facts. Unfortunately, few pictures are included and there is no extensive reference list. However, all materials are presented in such an easy to read, relaxed, and conversational style the reader may be encourage to wonder if this is, perhaps, just like having a face-to-face talk with Wally Maples.

If you are an aspiring future aerospace professional, a high school guidance counselor, a parent of a college-bound student, or just someone who wants to know more about aerospace opportunities, the \$9.95 for the soft cover (0-8442-8651-6) or \$12.95 of the hard cover (0-8442-8650-8) may be a very good investment. NTC is at 4255 West Touhy Avenue in Lincolnwood (Chicago), IL 60646-1975.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

(JAAER reserves the right to edit for brevity while retaining the intent of the letter.)

Editor, JAAER:

I just received the Fall 1990 JAAER. Congratulations! It looks good, and I know that it will develop into a more complete academic journal with time.

I think also you should sell advertising in the *Journal*, as most other academic journals do.

Irvin N. Gleim
Author

Editor, JAAER:

This afternoon I received the JAAER 1,2 issue and it discussed several aviation education issues and possibilities which very much caught my interest and fancy.

I'm sure I'm not alone in appreciating the large amount of time you are expending in editing the JAAER. Quite an effort!

Computer Expertise
John T. Lowry, Ph.D.