

Jim Reynolds, Sciotoville, Ohio, writes: "I would like to renew my subscription for the second year. APJ has been a real help to me. I've tried other magazines but this one is definitely the best. I don't know what I would do without it."

Warren Maurer of Franklin Square, N.Y., writes: "Your magazine is a most welcome pleasure each month and I look forward to Alex Rawson's articles that are so interesting. I plan to attend the National Show at Houston and hope to have the pleasure of seeing you again."

We regret to learn of the passing of Homer Hamilton, age 65, of Charlotte, N.C. who died the latter part of November. He was a long time breeder of pigeons and judged many of them at the all-breed shows held in the Carolinas. In October he showed 20 young Voorburg Shield Croppers at Forsyth Show in Winston-Salem, N.C. He is survived by his wife, a son and three daughters?

Vicki Williams, Topeka, Kansas, writes: "Two summers ago, I raised two wild homeless pigeons, had no house for them and in a month they new off. Now thanks to some good friends, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Allen. I have 22 Rollers which I enjoy and my American Pigeon Journal which has helped me so much. As a beginner, I needed to learn a lot which I have from your magazine."

Ray Collier of Gurley, Neb., writes: "Jud Appleby deserves another standing ovation for the super Seventh District Giant Homer Meet. Always enjoy the fellowship with Jud, Denby Williamson, Tom Frye, Marion Graham, John Severson, Harold Goodman, Leonard and Fred Schwaderer and Charles Stockstad. A major plain snow-storm however kept some of the boys at home this year. Carroll Cooper had something nice to say about everyone's birds and picked a Tom Frye bird as Champion."

Jerry Hines, Monroe, La., writes: "After breeding Chinese Owls for two years, and had wondered how to get other people interested here in Louisiana. Well two days after I received my November 1978 issue with my article in it, I received a call from Chet Williams of Shreveport, La. He and Dr. Jim Lake, also of Shreveport, have decided to raise the ever beautiful 'Fancy Pants'. Thank you and the APJ for the help in finding some interested people in this area. Good luck and hope to enjoy your fine publication for years to come."

M. K. "Skip" Campbell, Beamoke, Texas, writes: "I am just getting started raising Fantails after many years out of the hobby. The APJ has been a big help, especially the 1977 Fantail Special. I would like to thank Doc Lynch, John McCano!, William Diemer and Roel Hatcher for their help in getting me started. Although I am a newcomer, I recognize the retirement of Rod Hatcher is a great loss to the Fantail Fancy. We'll all miss 'The man that wrote the book.' Wishing everyone a great year in '79 and the APJ continued success as the Number One pigeon magazine in the world."

Dalton Davis, Richmond, Calif., writes: "You're not just kidding about the outrageous freight charge nowadays for shipping pigeons from place to place. In 1978, I purchased two white Pensom Rollers from Paul Platz in San Diego shipped to San Francisco. I live in Richmond, Calif. I picked up my 3 with two hires inside and it cost me \$23.15. I never paid for any shipping of birds before, so to me it seemed outrageous, but of course I paid it. I enjoy your magazine so much, I read from cover to cover the first day it comes. I think the disease articles you have from time to time is good to help the newcomer. But personally, I wish the whole book was about Rollers."

Jack Stobbart of Cumbria, England, writes: "I thank (or some interesting and knowledgeable hours I have spent reading the APJ, especially the articles on the Molinas which are my breed."

K. A. Muller, San Diego, Calif., writes: "I want to congratulate you on your excellent magazine and the promptness of its arrival. I used to live in Australia and the APJ was eagerly awaited by all the pigeon fanciers there. I'm sure it is the most important publication in the world for pigeons to help people know what is happening."

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