

VII. Finally, if there is one source of information that is hard to control, it is your own mouth. People have a tendency to discuss new "toys" or new things they are involved in too freely for the sake of their own privacy. If you are interested in privacy, then wear a tight-lipped smile and go about your affairs in your own way. If you are not interested in privacy then do not first discuss things with others and then complain about your lack of privacy or unauthorized investigations. I am certain that you know many people who discuss their personal affairs as if they were the Suez crisis or similar points of international discussion. These people are often the same ones who yell loudest about a credit check when, in fact, all the investigator had to do was call the man on the telephone to get all the information he needed. In other words, if you are sincerely concerned about privacy, the first step in attaining privacy is controlling your own attitudes toward disclosure. If you don't disclose any information about your affairs it becomes extremely difficult for others to find out about your affairs.

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