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## "It Seems to Us..."

## THE PASSING OF NAA

It is the first aim of an editor to print in his magazine items which will have as widespread as possible appeal to his readers. For the moment, we're going to violate that principle with a few words on a subject which is of interest to perhaps only a few hundred of the fraternity. Yet to them, as to us, it is an intense interest. No Young Squirt licensed in the last thirty years or so will quite understand our deep sentiments on these "good old days" - the really old ones. But we think they deserve to be recorded because they relate to a very important event in the early history and practical development of ham radio.

The inspiration, of course, is the decommissioning of the Navy's NAA. On page 47 is a report of the ceremonies. But we can't overlook the opportunity to reminisce a bit, because NAA played a large part in our own wireless career, just as it did for thousands of other hams some forty-three years ago.

We'd become interested in the ham game a year before NAA came on the scene - and what a year of patient but frustrating and unrewarding listening it was to be. We had the usual slide tuner (tuned where, we weren't quite sure), silicon detector, and a single 75 -ohm phone with a headband fashioned of a piece of Meccano (for the information of any Young S'quirt still reading, that was the 1912 forerunner of today's Erector toy). For an hour or so each evening we'd have the phone clamped over one ear while we did homework; the other ear was kept alert so Mother couldn't surprise us in the act of letting wireless interfere with studies. Ocrasionally, we'd hear a weak signal, and then tune agonizingly to try to get it better-usually with little success. Stations were far and few between on our little outfit; none was at all reliable.

Today, with such results you'd take up stamp-collecting or bird-watching and, by womparison, get some real action. But in those days, hearing a signal - a real wireless signal -- on gear we had hooked up ourselves, was sufficient incentive to keep the fire of enthusiasm burning even if it were stoked only once a week.

And then we read the newspaper announce-
ment that a new Navy radio station was going on the air, just across the river in Arlington. Surely we'd be able to hear that one regularly. We watched, waited and listened. And then one fine evening . . . there it was! - a beautiful sound to our ear, steady as a rock . . . loud and clear. The whole year of patient searching was suddenly worth while. Here, at last. was a source of good code practice. Here, at last, was the chance to acquire sufficient Morse experience to be an amateur operator (the license came along several years later!).
NAA became a (libraltar for hundreds of hams and would-be hams, not only along the whole eastern seaboard, but for hundreds of miles across the country as well. It was always there, with time signals, weather reports, and message traffic for code practice. In the hearts of the early amateurs, it justly won a great deal of affection. Forgive us then, Young Squirts, if we pause a moment to shed a tear, on behalf of early amateur radio, on the occasion of NAA's passing from the "wireless" scene.


## HAMFEST CALENDAR

District of Columbia - National Capital Area Hamfest, Sunday, October 7, 12 noon to 9 p.m., at Gaithersburg Fair Grounds, Gaithersburg, Maryland, on old Route 240.

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Sponsored this year by Washington Mobile Radio Club.
Illinois - On Sunday, September 16, the EgyptianSt. Louis Annual Hamboree and picnic will be held at the Egyptian Radio Club Grounds, one block south of U. S. Highway 66 on the east side of Chain of Rocks canal (just across the Mississippi River from north St. Louis).

There will be contests of all kinds, from code speed to egg throwing. As usual, there will be entertainment for the youngsters by the nationally-known clown and frosman, ('harlie "Diver" Delps, W9QMG. Other notahles will be ARRL otticials and Earl "Lid" Linder, WøDZG, Editor of Podunk Nows.
On display, and manned, will be the new Emergency Communications truck of the U, S. Coast Guard.

Awards will be given for the various contests.
Traffic get-togethers of Illinois and Missouri State nets and s.s.b. meetings will be held during the day. Food and drinks will be served on the grounds. Come early and stay late . . . mobiles work W9AIU on 3940, 3990, and 29640 kc. Oh, yes!! There will be no charge for admission. For more information, write WØQDF.

Illinois - Wg-DXCC annual meeting, Sheraton Hotel. Chicago, September 8, commencing at 1:00 p.m. Banquet at 7 :00 r.m. Write W9EU, 420 Park Ave., Ottawa, 11.

Kentucky - The annual Hamfest of the Bluegrass Amateur Radio Club of Lexington, Kentucky, will be held this year on Sunday, September 30, at the Sportsman Club, four miles east of Lexington, Ky., on U. S. 25 (Richmond Road).

Missouri - The annual hamfest of the Southwest Missouri Amateur Radio Club will be held on September 9, at Fassnight Park in Springfield. The program will include a swap table, basket lunch, and special activities for the XYYLs. Monitored frequencies are $3.9,29.62,50.02 \mathrm{Mc}$.
New Mexico - The Totah Amateur Radio Club, Inc., of Farmington, New Mexico, will hold its annual dinner and get-together on Sunday, October 7. All the good features of previous dinners, plus additional new activities. Swap department for disposal of your surplus gear. Hidden transmitter hunt on 10 meters. Pre-registration, including dinner, is $\$ 2.50$ each. Send to Leonard M. Norman, W5CIN, P. O. Box 24, Farmington, New Mexico. Registration after October 1. is $\$ 3.00$. Further details from W5CIN, W5POI, or W5NSV. Will be expecting the mobiles on 3885 kc .

New York - 1:th Annual Hamfest and Ladies Night of Oneida Area Hams on Saturday. September 29, at the Oneida Masonic Temple Dining Room, 230 Main Street, Oneida, N. Y.

Admission is $\$ 3.00$ per person, by advance reservation only and is limited to 150 persons, the capacity of the dining hall.

Registration starts at 5:00 Р.м., and banquet at 7:00 P.м. Make all reservations before September 27 with Walter L . Babcock, W2RXW, 405 Sayles St., Oneida, N. Y.
New York - The Federation of Long Island Radio Clubs will hold its annual outing and dinner, September 23 , at Narragansett Inn, Merrick Road, Lindenhurst, Sulfolk County, Long Island.
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'Tickets must be paid for in advance. Tickets available from any of the altiliated clubs, or Lou Roth, W2DEH, 148-31 90th Avenue, Jamaica 35. N. Y.

New York - The New York Radio Club's aunual Picnic and Transmitter Hunt will be held on Sunday, September 2i3, at Bethpage State Park, Bethpage, Long Island. Picnic: 11:00 A.M. Bring your own lunch. Transmitter Hunt: $1: 00$ p.m. Frequency, 29650 kc . Subscription: $\$ 1.00$ for 0 Ms , women and children free. W2ASI, Chairman.

New York - Second annual Syracuse VHF Club round-up, Saturday, October 6, at Martin's Restaurant, Liverpool, N. Y. Pre-registration only. $\$ 3.75$ per person. YLs and XYLs welcome. For tickets, write W2WZR, 103 W. Roswell Ave., Nedrow, N. Y.

Ohio - 19th Annual Stag Hamfest, Sunday, September 9. Biggest bargain hamfest in U. S. A.; over 850 amateurs attended last year. Sponsored by the Greater Cincinnati Amateur Radio Association. The location is Kopling Grove on Winton Road, two miles south of Green Hills, Ohio. Registration $\$ 2.50$ at the gate - here's what you get: hot dogs all day long, donuts and coffee served 'til noon, beer and pop served all dav, full picnic dinner and supper (all you can eat), rain or shine. Lots of games and activities, radio-controlled model airplane show, etc. For additional information, contact Paul R. Wolf, W8IVE, 2005 Dana Avenue, Cincinnati 7, Ohio

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Sept. 15-16-Dakota Division, Watertown, South Dakota
Sept. 30 - New Hampshire State, Concord
Oct. 21 - New England Division, Providence, Rhode Island

## A.R.R.L. DAKOTA DIVISION CONVENTION

## Watertown, South Dakota September 15-16

The Howlin' Wind Radio Club of Watertown, S. Dak., is sponsoring the Dakota Division Convention at Watertown, September 15 and 16. The two-day affair will be highlighted by talks and demonstrations by leaders in the fields of single side band, v.h.f. communication, and beamantenna design and use. Other strictly-ham activities include operator contests, separate events for the mobile enthusiasts, and talks by League officials. For the XYL or YL not interested in amateur radio, a complete program of social activities is planned.

Watertown is centrally located in the Dakota Division, so pack the family in the car and head for a weekend of fun and fellowship. No matter what your interest, you'll find the program entertaining and instructive. Advance registration is $\$ 4.00$, including ticket to the Sunday afternoon banquet and registration for all activities. YL and XYL tickets for the banquet only are available for $\$ 2.00$, and the club will be glad to handle hotel or motel reservations. For full program and details, write the Howlin' Wind Radio Club, Box 746, Watertown, S. Dak.

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# Transistorizing the Single-Side-Band Exciter 

A Novel and Compact S.S.B. Exciter Design

BY JO EMMETT JENNINGS,* W6EI AND EMANUAL ALVERNAZ,* W6DMN


#### Abstract

- Here's another "first" - the first transistorized s.s.b. exciter for amateur use. The only tube used is in the linearamplifier output stage, where more power is needed than is available from existing transistor types.

We've had transistorized transmitters, receivers, measuring gear, and now s.s.h. There's hardly a field left as the sole property of vacuum tubes!


When it was flrst suggested that transistors be used as a replacement for tubes in a single-side-band exciter we were uncertain is to the outcome, but nevertheless eager to tackle the problem. The first design tried used the phasing system, and after testing and evaluating this method it was concluded that first, a larger audio system, physically and electrically, was required than should.be used in a miniaturized exciter; second, it was felt that the unwanted side-band rejection was inadequate, in view of continuing advances in s.s.b. standards. Consequently, although the phasing system worked as well with transistors as it did with tubes, it was decided to hegin a new design using the filter method, always keeping in mind that physical size and rejection of the undesired side band were of paramount importance.

When we started out the simplest element, the audio system, was approached first, using low-frequency transistors. It was found that practically any high- or low-frequency transistor

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The transistorized exciter is contained in the bottom section of this complete s.s.b. r.f. section. The linear amplifier, using water-cooled tubes ( $4 W 300 \mathrm{~B}$ ), uses conventional circuitry and is not described in detail in this article. Miniature meters (shielded behind the panel to protect them from r.f.) are used for measuring plate and screen currents. The plate tank is tuned by a $5-450-\mu \mu$ f. vacuum capacitor. The vacuum relay between the meters and tank coil is for send-receive xwitching in the coax line.
would function in the spech amplifier and modulator, providing the correct polarities were observed when changing from P-N-P to N-P-N units. Miniaturization raises the problem of audio components; small capacitors were necessary, $1 / 4-$ to $1 / 2$-watt carbon resistors were the largest possible, and miniaturized audio transformers such as are used in hearing aids became mandatory.

After rebuilding the speech amplifier several times we finally developed a two-transistor unit, as shown in Fig. 1, that would fit inside a type S32 Miller shield can. Each stage of the entire exciter could be conveniently mounted in one of these shield cans and complete isolation could be expected. The decision to use this type of construction was found to be a wise one since the outputs of the various circuits are usually measured in the range of one or five volts on a vacuum-tube voltmeter.

## R.F. Section

After completing the speech amplifier and modulator stage, several crystal oscillator circuits on 456 kc . were tried, using many available types of transistors. At this frequency there is a wide selection of usable transistors; in fact, almost as many were suitable as in the audio and modulator stages. (It was considerably less difficult to get uscillation on 456 kc . than on 3350 kc ., the frequency used for heterodyning to the 75-meter phone band.) 'The particular oscillator circuit shown in Fig. 1 was used because we could vary the frequency slightly by adjusting the slug in



Fig. 1-Circuit of the transistorized s.s.b. exciter. Resistors are th-watt composition except where otherwise нpecified. Capacitors in tuned circuits are mica; others are ceramic except for $1 \mu$ f. and larger units, which may be either paper or electrolytic, miniature type.

CRI - IN33 or other type crystal diode.
$\mathrm{L}_{1}$ - Approx. 1 mh ., slug taned (Miller 6318 with 75 turns removed).
$\mathrm{L}_{2}, \mathrm{~L}_{4}$ - Same as $\mathrm{L}_{3}$.
Ls-30 turns No. 30 enam., scramble-wound close to $L_{2}$.
Ls - 30 turns No. 30 enam., tapped at center.
$\mathrm{L}_{\mathrm{B}}-60$ turns No. 26 enam., laver wound.
$\mathrm{L}_{7}-80$ Meter coil. Output of bal. mixer, 50 turns No.
the coil. After making several different types of coils the Miller type 6i318 peak coil for TV receivers was chosen. However, this mil has too much inductance, since the range is 0.2 to 3 mh , and subsequent experiments showed it was necessary to remove approximately i5 turns from each wil and use the Colpitts oscillator arcuit with the crystal connected between the collector and emitter. If greater stability is required the uscillator circuit shown in Fig. 2 sives the better results, although both circuits seem to be satisfactory. The low-frequency oscillator employs an FT-241 surplus crystal. The transistors, resistors and bypasses of the oscillator assembly are all supported from the slug-tuned coil and mounted from the center hole of the $\$ 32$ Miller rectangular shield. Similar construction is used for the 456-ke. amplifier.

26 enam., wire tapped at center. Coupling link 2 turns wound over $L_{7}$ at center.
$\mathrm{L}_{8}$ - Same as $L_{7}$; no center tap.
$\mathrm{L}_{9}-$ Same as $L_{7} ;$ no center tap.
' $\mathrm{T}_{1}$ - High impedance mic. input trans. (Stancor UM112).

T: - Interstage trans. (Stancor UM-113).
$\mathrm{T}_{3}-$-- Output trans. (Thordarson TZ26).
The balanced modulator is mounted in a shield can also, and the output of the balanced diodes drives the mechanical filter, a Collins type $455-\mathrm{J} 31$ (the type used in the 75A4 receiver). It was necessary to put a shield on the mechanical tilter socket between the primary and secondary terminals to eliminate leak through around the filter, and to use a shielded line from the mechanical filter to the base of the following transistor.

Fig. 1 shows the 3350-ke. crystal oscillator connected in a Colpitts circuit. We later found that this circuit gave considerable frequency shift when the slug was adjusted in the coil, so that a certain amount of v.f.o. action was available. As in the case of the $456-\mathrm{kc}$. oscillator, if higher stability is required the alternate circuit of Fig. 2 gives excellent crystal stability, but without provision for any shift in frequency.

The balanced mixer seemed to give the best results with a high-frequency transistor, and it, tno, is mounted in a shield can. Because of the extremely low output we found the shielding was highly advantageous, a point which was borne out when we found it necessary to neutralize the 6CL6 linear amplifier. The 6CL6 drives the final amplifier, a miniaturized 1-kilowatt unit using a pair of our favorite water-cooled tubes, the 4W300B's.

## Tune-Up Procedures

Starting with the speech amplificr, we found we could get good voice output with $11 / 2$ volts of battery power, but 3 volts gave a level that more nearly matched the operation of the other stages. The low-frequency oscillator was tuned next, then the low-frequency amplificr. Various small adjustments in capacitance and inductance were made to get the maximum output voltage into the balanced modulator. The basic difference observed between transistors and tubes was that the transistor stages gave very low output. In the speech amplifier, with 3 volts, we were getting almost enough gain for hearing-aid purposes. In radio frequency circuits, however, only a very low voltage is delivered. We used 18 volts maximum on the $456-\mathrm{kc}$. l.f. oscillator and amplifier, but because individual transistors exhibit different characteristics it was possible in some cases to operate with as little as 12 volts and get good results.
The surplus-type crystals, Channels 326 or 329, may be used. If these channels are not available, Channeis 45 or 46 are close enough in frequency. With all of these erystals we have found it necessary to make an adjustment in the crystal frequency by the silver-plating method. In this method a small amount of d.c. is required with a cyanide plating solution; a small piece of silver anode will allow the erystal to be plated to lower the frequency, or by reversing the d.c. polarity some of the silver can be removed to increase the frequency. This is necessary in order
to place the crystal frequency on the proper portion of the mechanical-filter slope to obtain maximum side-band rejection and a suitable voice pass-band. If Channel 326 or 329 erystals are used, divide the channel number by . 72 to find the fundamental crystal frequency for example, $2: 29$
$.22=457 \mathrm{kc}$. In the case of Channels 45 or 46 ,
divide by 45 . It is possible to move these surplus crystals a maximum of 5 to 6 kc . by the plating method. Side bands are changed by shifting crystal frequencies higher or lower than the mechanical filter base frequency.

The output of the balanced modulator is highly attenuated through the mechanical filter.


Fig- 2-Alternative erystal-oscillator circuit.
There has been some discussion as to the possibility of using a lower-impedance filter. However, at this time we do not have any information as to a more satisfactory type than the Model $455 \mathrm{~J}-31$.
In testing the output of the balanced modulator we first adjusted the carrier-balancing potentiometer to give complete unbalance, so the actual carrier could be measured in terms of r.f. voltage on a vacuum-tube voltmeter with r.f. probe. After tuning the following circuits for maximum output, the potentiometer was adjusted so it would give us the maximum carrier attenuation

The view at the right shows how the exciter fits into the compartment on top of which the $1-\mathrm{kw}$. amplifier is mounted. The chassis for the latter is an $L$-shaped piece of aluminum. The sockets for the two 4W300B water-cooled tubes are at the left in this unit.



#### Abstract

The exciter is built on a small aluminum channel with most of the circuit components con tained in individual shield cans for each sitage. In this view three of the shields have been removed to show the internal construction.

In the top row, from left to right. the first shield contains the speech amplifier and modulator, followed by the balanced modulator (not in can), grid eircuit for the 6CL6, the 6CiL6 iinear amplifier, and in the last can the 6CL6 plate circuit. The mechanical filter is inside the channel at the left center. In the lower row, left to right, are the $456-\mathrm{kc}$. crystal oscillator, $456-\mathrm{kc}$. amplifier (out of shield can), 456 -kc. amplifier following the mechanical filter, balanced mixer and (out of can) the 3350-kc. crystal oscillator.


for s.s.b. operation. The balanced mixer circuit gave us a little difficulty with self-oscillation until we used the circuit as shown. Again, the use of shielding, isolation and proper bypassing resulted in stable operation. It will be observed in Fig. 1 that the circuit is a linked connection to the input circuit of the 6CL6; this use of inductive coupling permitted use of capacitance-bridge neutralizing on the 6CL6. This helped to stabilize the balanced mixer and reduce spurious signals.

Various values were tried for all the components through the r.f. section. It was found that adjustments could be made to increase efficiency if the transistors were specially selected for each job. After many substitutions, the optimum values of Fig. 1 were determined, permitting stable operation and interchangeability of transistors.

All voltages indicated for transistor operation were taken from dry batteries. The current drain being extremely small, the output likewise was small. Since most of these transistors have at rated dissipation of 50 milliwatts maximum, one cannot expect to get a great deal of output. Nevertheless, there is enough drive from the balanced mixer to operate the 6CL6 satisfactorily, and the 6CL6 in turn has sufficient power output to drive the $1-\mathrm{kw}$. final amplifier.

Since we are using a mixer system, different mixer frequencies would obviously give us the output frequencies necessary for multiband operation. In such a case a complete highfrequency oscillator circuit, as shown in Fig. 2,
would be necessary to change to another frequency, but so far it has been quite difficult to make more than a two-to-one frequency change in the transistor oscillator circuit. Some of the recent disclosures of v.f.o.s have indicated the feasibility of transistorized oscillators of the selfcontrolled type. These should give satisfactory results in this application.

## Conclusion

In the over-all design of this miniaturized transistor exciter several basic features are worth consideration. Each circuit is a segment of the total. Unitized construction of each circuit points toward good mechanical layout and design. Tests for component functioning are simplified.

Our intention in choosing the components was to design a simplified type of s.s.b. exciter, using inexpensive parts. The one exception on the latter score is the mechanical filter.

Compactness and low current drain were the reward for the effort involved. With this circuit as a basic model, it is expected that this compact type of construction can be duplicated and the results will be equal to or better than those with the model described. In most cases the transistor will do the job of a vacuum tube, except that the nower-output level is lower. Since we began experimenting, new high-frequency transistors which operate to 100 Mc . have been made available. These should help solve the problems of highfrequency transistorized operation.

# The ARRL-IGY Propagation Research Project 

V.h.f. Contact Data to Be Collected on a Worldwide Scale

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#### Abstract

- Since the accompanying article introduces a new ARRL program, perhaps a few words of introduction for its author are also in order. Although WIVLH is officially a newcomer to the Headquarters staff, many of you already know him for his OST articles on "things v.h.f." during recent years. These have been turned out while spending his college vacations working in the ARRL laboratories. Mason graduated from Trinity College, Hartford, in 1955 and from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 1956. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma XI, Tau Beta Pi, Eta Kappa Nu, and Sigma Pi Sigma honorary societies as well as the IRE and their Professional Group on Antennas and Propagation. With this background plus several years of v.h.f. hamming experience it was only natural that WIVLH should go to work on the project announced in this article. He will be in charge of a special ARRL office which will collect and analyze the reports to be sent in by v.h.f. amateurs.


THE wopth of amateur observations is recognized in many scientific fields, and amateur workers of many kinds will participate in the coming International Geophysical Year. Therefore it was only natural that a place be made for hams in the course of planning the radio-propagation aspects of IGY.
The IGY itself and the reasons for its heing were discussed by Dr. Berkner in the July issue of QST, and anyone who has not read this background article by now should certainly do so. The possibilities for amateur participation in connection with tracking the satellite of Project Vanguard, and setting up communications networks to furnish moral support to the Antarctic groups and help give notice of special events were mentioned in the same issue. Another amateur project, whose purpose is to gather radio propagation data is, perhaps, to be the most important and worthwhile of all. This involves the reporting of v.h.f. DX contacts made by several means of propagation which, although

[^0]fairly common to a good many hams in practical communication, are still incompletely explained theoretically.

When there is a job to be done, one tries to pick the best means for doing it. Just so in this case. When it comes to gathering data about propagation phenomena, it's hard to beat is large number of reporting stations operating at all hours of the day and night. If a series of observing stations had to be set up especially for the IGY, the cost of this phase of the program would be enormous, and results would still not be as complete as could be furnished by existing amateur stations with their wide distribution. Therefore, when information on propagation was desired for IGY, hams were a natural for the job.

ARRL and IGY officials got together as early as the fall of 1955 to see what could be done about setting up a program of amateur observations to supplement the more exact - but of necessity limited - information obtained from scatter soundings and the like. The program which evolved from these talks has now taken on a definite form. The work will be done by ARRL under an Air Force contract. Dr. Wolfgang Pfister of the Air Force Cambridge Research Center will be the consulting scientist on the program. The writer will be in charge of collecting and analyzing the data for ARRL.

The program will be concerned with v.h.f. propagation in three main categories: transequatorial scatter on 50 Mc ., auroral communication on any amateur frequency above 50 Mc ., and sporadic- $E$ skip. In order that no interesting phenomena may be missed, details of any amateur v.h.f. work over unusual distances will be solicited. It will then be up to the special ARRL IGY Staff to sort them out, if the reporting amateur is unable to do so himself. ${ }^{1}$

The first work in the three fields mentioned above was done by amateurs using the v.h.f. bands. Transequatorial scatter was turned up when amateurs in Mexico began working South American stations on 50 Mc., at times when communication should not have been possible, according to any means of propagation then known. Later 50-Mc. operators in many parts of this country and Ganada made similar contacts at "wrong" times, and the medium by which these came about is still far from completely understood. It was for the purpose of gathering more data on this phenomenon that scientists working out the scope of the IGY program first conceived the idea of enlisting the aid of radio amateurs.
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The mobile converter is 5 inches wide, 41/8 inches high and 6 inches deep. Strips of /einch aluminum angle, attached to the top sides of the cabinet, provide clamp-type runners for a removable perforated aluminum cover. The cover supplied with the Premier type PAC-564 utility case is cut down in size and then used as the pancl for the unit. The Millen type 10039 dial used with the variablefrequency oscillator capacitor, $C_{z}$, has 5 blank scales for calibration. Control knobs for $C_{1}$ and $S_{1}$ are to the left and right of the main tuning control, respectively. A set of "phone-band" coils is shown at the right.

# Something New in High-Frequency Mobile Converters 

Plate and Screen Power Supplied Directly by the 12.6-Volt Car Battery

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Aseries of tubes brought out recently by (GE and other manufacturers is bound to excite any mobile fan who owns one of the newer " 12.6 -volt" cars. This line of tubes is designed so that all power requirements - heater, plate and screen - may be supplied directly by the 12 -volt automobile storage battery, and includes the types 12AF6 and 12AG6. The first of these tubes is a pentode developed for use as a r.f. or i.f. amplifier, and the $12 A G 6$ is a heptode intended for pentagrid-converter applications. Both types are primarily intended for operation at broadcast frequencies, but our own work with the tubes proves them to be quite adaptable to converter service at frequencies as high as 28 Mc. No attempt has been made to use them in the v.h.f. range.

Use of these tubes in a ham-band converter offers several advantages. First, they offer a worthwhile reduction in current drain as compared to other tubes. For example, the converter to be described draws less than 0.5 ampere from the battery. And remember, that is the total load - not just the heater drain. Secondly, the car battery serves as the plate-screen supply. This feature eliminates the need for a separate power pack or the nuisance of digging into the power section of the broadcast receiver. To obtain full power for the unit, it is only necessary to run a pair of wires to some convenient source of 12.6 volts. Usually, there are any number of places under the car dashboard where battery voltage can be easily tapped across.
The mobile converter uses three of these new tubes. A type 12AF5 serves as an r.f. amplifier, and a pair of 12AG6's operate in circuits providing double conversion. The first and the
second converters work at 1.7 Mc . and 0.6 Mc ., respectively, the latter being the output frequency of the converter. This frequency was chosen so that the i.f. output could be at the low end of the broadcast band where many receivers appear to be most sensitive. Furthermore, the tuning rate of most sets is slower at the low end, making it easier to set the b.c. receiver accurately to a desired frequency. Perhaps the most important point is that there are far fewer broadcast signals to contend with down around 600 kc . than at the high-frequency end of the bind. We were hesitant to try a single conversion to 600 kc . because of the image problem that might arise with the converter tuned to the high end of the 28.Mc. band and because of oscillator pulling that would probably result due to the proximity of the signal and the variable-oscillator frequencies.

Other features of the converter are compactness, simplicity and commercial-like appearance, all having been obtained without introducing difficult or tricky constructional practices. Although the converter is basically a single-control unit, as far as tuning is concerned (the other circuit requiring tuning during normal operation is handled much like an antenna trimmer), it involves no ganging problems. Most of the tuned circuits can be preset at fixed frequencies during testing of the converter and require no further adjustment. Plug-in coils are used to eliminate the complexity of a band-switching system, and to permit exact duplication of the physical layout by those who have need for only a one- or twoband converter.

As might so very well be expected, there is one small fly in the ointment as far as the new
tubes are concerned. They do overload at signal levels considerably below that handled with ease by conventional high-voltage tube. However, in actual practice, we have run across only one or two ham-band signals that caused the converter to "fold up." All other cases of overload have been effectively treated merely by detuning the input circuit.

## Circuit

The schematic diagram of the converter is shown in Fig. 1. $V_{1}, V_{2}$ and $V_{3}$ are the tubes in the r.f. amplifier, and the first and second converters, respectively. The r.f. stage has a slugtuned plate inductor ( $L_{4}$ ) which is loaded by $R_{2}$ at some frequencies (see Table I) in the interest of stability. $C_{1}$ is the tuning control for the amplifer, $L_{2}$ is the input coupling link and $L_{3}$ is the grid coil. $L_{1} \mathrm{C}_{5}$ form a 600 -kc. wavetrap used to attenuate pick-up and resultant feedthrough of broadcast signals. Output from the amplifier is coupled to the first converter through C8.

The first 12AG6, $V_{2}$, operates in a conventional pentagrid converter circuit having a slug-tuned plate inductor resonated at $1.7 \mathrm{Mc} . C_{2}$ is the tuning control for the oscillator section of the circuit and terminals $A, B$ and $C$ represent a coil socket. The socket accommodates the circuitry identified in the lower left-hand section of Fig. 1 as $Z_{1}$ and $Z_{2}$. It should be noticed that a tickler winding ( $L_{6}$ of $Z_{1}$ ) is used with the oscillator coil, $L_{5}$, at 3.5 and 7 Mc . The values of inductance required at these frequencies warranted the use of a slug-tuned coil for $L_{5}$. However, because a coil of this type is difficult to tap, it was more convenient to use the separate winding ( $L_{6}$ )

- Yes, the subtitle of this article is correct. This converter obtains all operating voltages - including those for the plate and screen circuits - directly from the 12.6 -volt car battery! In other words, you don't have to "steal" power from the car receiver, nor is a separate platescreen power pack necessary. The trick, of course, has been made possible by the development of several new tubes designed to operate efficiently with only 12 volts on the screens and plates. Plug-in coils are used to cover the 3.5-, 7-, 14-, 21- and 28-Mc. bands and facilitate duplication of the mechanical layout by those interested in operation on only one or two of the bands for which the unit is intended.
for oscillator feed-back purposes. At 14 Mc . and above, it was more convenient to use "Miniductor" for the required inductances and, of course, it was no trouble to use the tapped system shown in section $Z_{2}$ of the diagram. Values of the padder capacitors, $C_{3}$ and $C_{4}$ of $Z_{1}$ and $Z_{2}$, and the oscillator tuning ranges for the five bands of operation are listed in Table I.
The second converter circuit is similar to that of the preceding $1.7-\mathrm{Mc}$. converter. The output circuit is resonated at 0.6 Mc . by means of $C_{17}$ and $L_{10}$, and the oscillator section is fixed-tuned at 1.1 Mc . by means of $G_{15}$ and $L_{8} . L_{9}$ is the oscillator feed-back winding. $S_{1}^{\prime}$ performs the switching necessary between the converter, the car receiver and the antenna.
The heaters for the three tubes and the fila-

This view of the converter shows the major components arranged in a compact but uncrowded layout. The homemade aluminum chassis measures $41 / 4$ inches by 57 s inches, has a $1 / 2$-inch lip bent at the front edge (for fastening to the panel), and a $13 / 4$-inch skirt at the rear which supports $J_{1}, J_{2}$ and $J_{3}$. A cutout mearuring 1 inch by $13 / 8$ inches provides clearance for $C_{2}$ at the front center of the chassis. $L_{1}, L_{7}, L_{8}-L_{9}$ and $L_{10}$ are mounted in North Hills Electric Co. type S-120 shield cans. The $1 / 2$-inch hole in the panel (to the upper right $I_{1}$ in this view) lines up with another -inch hole that has been drilled in the rear plate of the Millen dial. These holes permit $I_{1}$ to provide "soft" illumination for the calibrated scales.



Fig. 1 - Schematic diagram of the mobile converter. Capacitors below 0.01 are in $\mu \mu$. Capacitors not identified below or in Table I may be either mica or disk ceramic. All resistors are watt.
$\mathrm{C}_{1}-35-\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$. variable (Hammarlund HF-35).
$\mathrm{C}_{2}-$ Approx. $3-10-\mu \mu$ f. (Hammarlund HF-15 with 1 stator and 1 rotor plate removed).
$\mathrm{C}_{3}, \mathrm{C}_{4}-$ See Table I.
$\mathrm{C}_{9}, \mathrm{C}_{11}, \mathrm{C}_{14}, \mathrm{C}_{15}, \mathrm{C}_{17}$ - Silver mica or Centralab type TCZ ceramic.
$\mathrm{C}_{7}, \mathrm{C}_{10}, \mathrm{C}_{12}, \mathrm{C}_{18}$ - Disk ceramic.
$I_{1}-12.6$-volt pilot-lamp assembly.
$\mathrm{J}_{1}, \mathrm{~J}_{2}-$ Shielded "Motorola type" jack (ICA No. 2378).
ment of $I_{1}$ are connected in parallel. $S_{1 \mathrm{C}}$ is the on-off switch for the converter.

Attention must be called to the fact that the wiring of the circuit involves one of the principles followed in the construction of a.c.-d.c. equipment. Naturally, with the circuit receiving all of its operating voltages from a common source, provision must be made for systems that ground the positive side of the battery as well as those that work with the negative terminal grounded. The converter has been made to work with either system by "floating" all parts of the circuit that carry d.c. In other words, many components are returned to a "common" ground path rather than to the chassis (see identification in Fig. 1). Only the r.f. circuitry that is completely isolated for d.c. may be grounded directly to the chassis.

## Construction

The Premier utility case has removable top and bottom covers that measure 5 by 6 inches. But the best layout is obtained with the panel on one of the $4 \times 5$-inch sides. A rectangular opening measuring $31 / 2$ by $41 / 2$ inches is cut in one of the $4 \times 5$-inch ends of the box. This opening will allow the assembly to be easily slipped in place. Round off the corners of the cutout so that there will be adequate metal left at each corner of the front surface to accommodate the sheet-
$\mathrm{J}_{3}$ - 4-contact male connector (Cinch-Jones P-304-AB),
$\mathrm{L}_{1}, \mathrm{~L}_{10}$ - Approx. $150 \mu \mathrm{~h}$., slug-tuned (North Hills 120.H).
L.s - Approx. $45 \mu \mathrm{~h}$., slug-tuned (North Hills 1.20-F).
$\mathrm{L}_{9}-15$ turns No. 36 d.c.c. wound at cold end of $L_{8}$.
$\mathrm{R}_{2}$ - See Table I.
$\mathrm{S}_{1}-3$-pole 5 -position (used as 3-p.d.t.) selector switch (Centralab PA-2007 or PA-5 wafer mounted on PA-300 index).
metal screws used to fasten the pancl in place. The top cover is used as the panel for the converter and this means that it must be cut down to measure $41 / 6$ by 5 inches. In the final assembly the top cover is replaced by a piece of Reynolds "do-it-yourself" perforated aluminum.

A rectangle measuring $1 \frac{5}{8}$ inches high by 4 inches wide should be cut at the rear of the box to provide clearance for the cables that will connect to $J_{1}, J_{2}$ and $J_{3}$. The aluminum runners for the top covers (see front view) can now be fastened in place. Some clearance should be left between the angle and the top of the case so that the perforated cover can be slid into position.

Aside from the tuning knob and the pointer, the Millen dial has two basic assemblies - the faceplate that holds the calibration scale and the rear section that contains the drive mechanism. The rear section may be used as a template for marking the panel positions of $C_{1}$, $C_{2}, S_{1}$ and the two clearance holes for the screws which will hold the chassis, the panel and the dial together. Before using the dial as a template, drill a $\frac{1}{2}$-inch hole at the top center of the back plate of the dial; this will be used to pass light (from $I_{1}$ ) through to the scale. The mounting or clearance holes referred to above are the ones tapped for 6-32 screws and located at the extreme right and left sides, just a little below the horizon-
tal center line. Holes that will pass the shafts of $C_{1}$ and $S_{1}$ will be found at the lower left and right corners of the template and, of course, the panel hole for $C_{2}$ must line up with the bearing located near the center of the dial. When using the template, center it on the panel with its top edge $5 / 6$ inch down from the top edge of the panel. And don't forget to mark the panel for the drilling of the $1 / 2$-inch "illumination" hole and the hole used in the mounting of the pilot-lamp assembly.

The faceplate of the dial must also be marked and drilled to pass the shafts of $C_{1}$ and $S_{1}$. The rear section of the dial may be used as a template during this operation.
The dimensions of the chassis have been given elsewhere. After it has been fabricated, proceed as follows:

Using the panel as a template, mark and drill the mounting holes in the front lips of the chassis. Now, mount $I_{1}$ on the panel. Next, fasten the

chassis, the panel and the rear section of the dial (the part used as a template) together with $3 / 8$ inch machine screws. $C_{1}, C_{2}$ and $S_{1}$ should now be mounted in place with their mounting or locking nuts pressing against the rear section of the dial. After this, the faceplate for the dial may be mounted and the dial pointer and the control knobs installed.

The location of each and every component for the converter is clearly identified in the illustrations. The terminals for the slug-tuned coils (the ones mounted in the shield cans) should be bent out and away from the ends of the forms so that they will project through the square clearance holes with ease. Additional data on the construction of the $L_{8} L_{9}$ assembly will be included in a section to follow. R.f. leads to the coils, coil sockets and variable capacitors should be made with rigid wire such as No. 16 tinned. RG-58/U is used wherever Fig. 1 indicates the use of coaxial cable. Two feet of RG58/U will do the job with a little to spare.

## The Coils

Neither the coil forms nor the slug-tuned coils used with the converter are over-the-counter items at present. ${ }^{1}$ The polystyrene forms are each equipped with a 5 -prong bakelite base that will

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withstand repeated soldering operations without damage. Five base colors (black, brown, red, green and hlue) which permit "color coding" for different frequencies are available. Amphenol type 78-S5S sockets are used with the forms.
When winding the input links $\left(L_{2}\right)$ and the tickler coils ( $L_{\beta}$ and $L_{9}$ ), place the windings at the cold ends of the associated inductors. Although the links and ticklers want to be wound reasonably tight, do not make them so tight as to prevent adjustment of coupling during the testing of the converter. Be very certain that the ticklers and the coils to which they are coupled are wound in the same direction. Should it be necessary to mount an oscillator padder or trimmer on the outside of the form, merely drill two $1 / 4$-inch holes in the polystyrene form so that stiff wire leads may be used between the terminals of the coil and the capacitor. The large holes prevent melting of the polystyrene by the soldering iron.

During the testing of the converter, it may be necessary to experiment with coupling, values of padder capacitance, loading resistance, etc. Therefore, it is recommended that the polystyrene forms he cemented to the base only after the testing has been finished.

Certainly, some sharp eyes will detect that Table I lists more coils than are shown in the coil rack resting alongside the converter (see front view). The fact is that the coil rack holds only the "phone-band" set of coils. This set of coils includes the oscillator coils which spread the phone segments of each band over the full swing of the tuning dial, a feature which should appeal to the operator who does no c.w. work from the car. The oscillator coils for 14 and 21 Mc . include coverage of those parts of the bands occupied by foreign phone stations. The complete $28-\mathrm{Mc}$. band is covered with a single oscillator coil for obvious reasons.

Power requirements for the couverter are 12. ; volts at approximately 0.5 ampere. Because the current drain is so small, it is practical to borrow the car battery during the bench testing even though the shack provides no means for supplying a constant charge for the battery. Quite a lew hours of testing can he done in this manner without running down the battery appreciably.

## Adjustment

An r.f. signal generator is a convenience during the testing, and a v.t.v.m. assists considerably with the adjustment of the converter injection

| TABLE I |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C, $L$ and $R$ Data for the Mobile Converter |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| R. F. Stage |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Band (Ma) | $L_{2}{ }^{1}$ | $L_{3}(\mu$ |  |  | $\left.L_{4}(\mu).\right)$ |  | $\mu_{2}$ |
| 3.5 | 20 | $32-112$ | 0-E) ${ }^{2}$ | 62 | (120-F) |  | 22 K 4 |
| \% | 8 | 9 - 12 | 0-0) ${ }^{2}$ | 23 | ( $120-\mathrm{E}$ ) |  | $33 \mathrm{~K}{ }^{4}$ |
| 14 | 4 | 2.8- 112 | 0-A) ${ }^{2}$ | B. 4 | (120-C) |  | $47 \mathrm{~K}^{4}$ |
| 21 | 3 | 1.55-16 | $1 / 4 \mathrm{t}.)^{8}$ | 2.8 | (120-A) |  | See ${ }^{14}$ |
| 28 | 3 | 0.8- 9 | t.i) ${ }^{3}$ | 1.5 | (120-A) |  | See ${ }^{14}$ |
| Variable Oscillator |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Range (Mc.) ${ }^{8}$ |  | $\mu h$. | $L *$ | $\left(C_{3}(\mu \mu f)\right.$. | $C_{4}\left(\mu \mu f_{\text {c }}\right)$ | (1ge. (Mc.) |  |
| 3.5-4-7-7.3 | $10.5-(120-D)^{2}$ |  | $10 \mathrm{t}.{ }^{1}$ | 2.5-77 | 598.0 | 5.2-5.7 |  |
| 3.6-4 | $8.4-(120-0)^{2}$ |  | 8 t .1 | 2.5-7 7 | $75^{8}$ | $5.5-5.7$ |  |
| 7.2-7.3 | $4.15-(120-\mathrm{B})^{2}$ |  | 8 t .1 | See 14 | 2208 | 5.5-5.6 |  |
| 14-14.35 | $1.05-(120-A)^{2.12}$ |  | 6 t. ${ }^{1}$ | See ${ }^{14}$ | 1508 | 12.3-12.65 |  |
| 14.125-14.325 | 0.58-(71/2 t. $)^{8}$ |  | 27/8 t. ${ }^{18}$ | 2.5-7 ${ }^{7}$ | 2958.10 | 12.425-12.625 |  |
| 21-21.45 | 0.36- $51 / 2 \mathrm{t}$ t. $)^{8}$ |  | 17/8 t. ${ }^{13}$ | See ${ }^{14}$ | 2208 | 19.3-19.75 |  |
| 21.15-21.45 | 0.31-(41/2t. $)^{8}$ |  | 15/8t. ${ }^{12}$ | 2.5-77 | 2598.11 | 19.45-19.75 |  |
| 28-29.7 | 0.58-(71/2 t. $)^{8}$ |  | 27.8 t. ${ }^{18}$ | 2.5-7 ${ }^{7}$ | 478 |  | $26.3-28.0$ |
| ${ }^{1}$ Turns No. 36 d.c.c. <br> ${ }^{2}$ North Hills Electric Co. designation. <br> ${ }^{3} 16$ t.p.i. No. 20. 16 -inch diam. (B\&W 3003). <br> 4 $1 /$-watt resistor. <br> 52 turns removed. <br> ${ }^{6}$ Converter tuning range. <br> 7 Centralab 827-A. <br> * Silver mica or Centralab type 'TCZ ceramic. <br> ${ }^{9} 22,22$ and $15 \mu \mu$ f. in parallel. <br> 10220 and $75 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$. in parallel. <br> 11220 and $39 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$. in parallel. <br> 12 F turns removed. <br> * No $I_{/ 5}$ coil used. $L_{s}$ tapped (up from ground end) at position listed. <br> 14 Component not used. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

voltage. If the signal generator is not on hand, it is possible to do a good alignment job provided that an accurately-calibrated receiver (with b.f.o.) which will tune to the various oscillator ranges is kept warmed up. A rough check on the oscillator tuning ranges can be made with the aid of a grid-dip meter, but the accuracy of such measurements leaves much to be desired. Of course, a broadcast receiver must be available as an i.f.-audio amplifier. It is recommended that the i.f.-audio unit be the car receiver to be used in the actual mobile installation.
The first step after power has been applied is the adjustment of the second-converter oscillator to 1.1 Mc . This is done by adjusting the broadcast receiver-the one serving as the i.f. amplifier will do - to 1.1 Mc . and then slugtuning $L_{8}$ until the oscillator signal is heard. Next, connect the v.t.v.m. to read the grid voltage developed across $R_{6}$, remembering that
the voltage is negative and that it appears between the top of $R_{6}$ and common ground. Adjust the coupling between $L_{8}$ and $L_{9}$ if the grid voltage is much higher or much lower than 1.5 volts. Retune the i.f. receiver to 0.6 Mc . and proceed with the alignment of the oscillator for $V_{2}$.
The alignment of the oscillator for the first converter ( $\mathrm{V}_{2}$ ) requires that the inductance and capacitance values of each plug-in unit be adjusted for the desired bandspread. If a signal generator is to be used during the tests, remove $l_{1}$ from the circuit and couple the output of the generator to the $V_{1}$ side of $C_{8}$. Set the irequency of the generator to the low edge of the hand of frequencies undergoing test, set $\mathrm{C}_{2}$ at 35 per cent of full capacitance (plates almost (losed), and then adjust either $C_{3}$ or $L_{5}$ until the signal is heard. Next, peak $L_{7}$ and $L_{10}$ for maximum output from the converter.
Now, reset $C_{2}$ to approximately 5 per cent of full capacitance (plates almost opeu) and retune the generator upward in frequency until the signal is heard. If the full band, or the portion desired, has not been covered by the rotation of $C_{2}$, it indicates that the circuit is too high- $C$ and therefore requires less padder capacitance ( $C_{3}$ ) and more inductance ( $L_{5}$ ). On the other hand, if the tuning range of the oscillator is too wide (not enough bandspread), it is necessary to decrease inductance aud increase padder capacitance. Each time the $L C$ ratio is altered, it is necessary to recheck the tuning range by swinging $C_{2}$ through the capacitance range referred to above. Adjustment of the $L C$ ratio is not difficult when a slug-tuned coil is in use, but the job is a lit complicated when the operative coil is made with Miniductor. In the latter case, adjustment can be made only by varying the spacing between the last two turns of the coil. The voltage developed across $R_{4}$ should be adjusted to approximately -1.5 volts for each band. The voltage
is varied if necessary by adjustment of the coupling between $L_{5}$ and $L_{6}$ (at 3.5 and 7 Mc .) or by changing the position of the tap on $L_{5}$ ( 14 Mc . and above).
If a calibrated receiver is to be used for alignment of the oscillator, it must tune over the ranges listed under Osc. Mc. in Table I. The only difference in the alignment procedure is that the oscillator ranges are "listened to" as the $L C$ circuits are adjusted.

After the oscillator ranges for $V_{2}$ have been brought into line for each band, disconnect the signal generator from $C_{8}$ and then feed its output to $J_{1}$. Insert $V_{1}$ in the socket, allow the tube to warm up, and then adjust the grid and plate circuits of the r.f. amplifier. $L_{3}$ for each band should resonate at the band midpoint with $C_{1}$ set, at approximately half capacitance. $L_{4}$ should in each case be slug-tuned to the center of the band. Although the foregoing instructions refer to the use of a signal generator during the testing of the r.f. stage, it is possible to make the adjustments by listening to ham signals or with the aid of a grid-dip meter.

The coupling between $L_{2}$ and $L_{3}$ should be adjusted with the converter installed in the car and coupled to the mobile antenna. And something that we have previously said about mobile antennas bears repeating at this time. With a small antenna, such as a mobile whip, tight coupling to the antenna is essential for best signal response. It is also important in avoiding regeneration in the r.f. amplifier stage. Therefore, expecially when the antenna is a small one, it should be resonant. This is usually the case in a mobile installation when the antenna must be made resonant for transmitting.

The loading resistors ( $R_{2}$ ) eonnected across the r.f. amplifier plate coils at $3.5,7$ and 14 Mc. eliminated a regeneration problem at these frequencies and also broadened the frequency
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Three types of plug-in coil construction are illustrated in this view. A typical r.f. amplifier plate coil and its loading resistor $\left(R_{2}\right)$ are shown at the left. The 21-Mc. "phone-band" oscillator coil, fixed padder capacitor and Centralab trimmer are mounted in the form located at the center of the group. 'The 3.8-4-Mc. oscillator assembly at the right has the padders for the slug-tuned coil monnted external to the form. The enlarged portion of each form (the part that normally would slip down into the base) has been removed to reduce the height of the units. Holes drilled in the tops of the forms provide a means of mounting the slug-tuned coils and permit adjustment of the trimmer capacitors.


# A Very Simple Output Indicator 

## Getting the Power to the Antenna

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Most amateurs rely mainly on the plate meter of the final amplifier to tell them what is happening when they tune up their rigs. All adjustments are made to get the plate current (at the resonance dip) up to whatever the book says the final tube will stand. Unfortunately, while the plate meter will indicate when the tank rircuit of the final amplifier is in resonance, it doesn't always tell the true story about what is happening to your power output. The smart boys know that the best method of determining proper tune-up conditions is with an output indicator. The indicator described in this


An RCA phono jack is mounted on each eud of the box. These are connected together with a piece of No. 14 or 16 tinned wire. This lead is connected to one terminal of the dial lamp socket. The other terminal of the sorket is connected to the stator of the variable capacitor. The rotor or frame of the capacitor is grounded to the box.
article is an inexpensive and simple rlevice that will permit the user to "see" when he is getting maximum output.

## Circuit

Actually, the circuit of the unit is so simple it doesn't need much explanation. The idea is not new ${ }^{1}$, but will bear repeating for the benefit of the newcomers. Fig. 1 shows the circuit. The indicator consists of a dial lamp shunted across the coax feedline. The brilliance of the lamp is proportional to the power in the line. A variable capacitor, $C_{1}$, is used to control the amount of eurrent that Hows through the lamp. It is connected in scries with the lamp. This control is necessary to take care of various power levels and different frequencies and lines. To use the indi-

[^1]- We refrained from calling this "The Simplest Output Indicator" out of deference to those open-wire feeder men who can and do use a neon bulb. But for the coax-minded contingent this is as uncomplicated as we can make it.
cator, insert it in the coax line at the output of the transmitter. This can be cither 52 - or 75 -ohm coax since the unit will work equally well with either type.

Most transmitters these days have pi-network output circuits which are usually connected to un antenna or balun coils with a length of coax. If the antenna is coax-fed directly from the transmitter, then it is only necessary to open the line and install the unit. If a balun is used, the indicator goes in the coux line between the transmitter and the balun coils. Where an antenna coupler is used, the indicator must be connected between the coupler and antenna.

To use the indicator, first set the variable capacitor to minimum rapacity, (plates disengaged). Turn on the transmitter aud tune it to resonance as indicated by the plate meter.


Fïr. 1-Circuit diagram of the output indicator. Ci - $365-\mu \mu$ f. variable capacitor, (broadcast replacement type).
$\mathrm{J}_{1}, \mathrm{~J}_{2}$-RCA type phono jacks.
$\mathrm{I}_{1}-6.3$-v., 0.150 ma. dial lamp No. 47.
In addition to the above parts a $1 /$-inch rubber grommet and a bracket mounted socket are needed for the unit. 't'otal cost of the parts, including chassis. is about $\$ 2.00$.

Next, slowly increase the capacitance of $C$ until the dial lamp lights. Increase it slowly or you may burn out the lamp. Once the lamp lights dimly, adjust your tuning and loading controls for maximum brilliance of the lamp. Don't. worry if you find that maximum output as indicated by the lamp happens to be at a different amplifier dial setting than the plate current dip point. Just as long as the plate current isn't higher than the tube rating there won't be any danger of damaging the transmitter.

You'll find that for a given power level more (Continued on page [\$9)

# Notes on the Development of Yagi Arrays 

Part II. - Stacking Yagis

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#### Abstract

- Part I of this article appeared last month and discussed the effects of clement tuning and spacing. This concluding part tells what happens when two beams are stacked one above the other.


TTwo Yagi antennas are frequently combined for the purpose of increasing the power gain or to obtain increased directivity in the stacking plane. The gain achievable by stacking two units is theoretically 3 db .

In order to determine the variation in gain with stacking distance, two 3-element Yagis were stacked (see Fig. 14) in the vertical plane and the azimuthal directivity was plotted.

Since the pattern in the vertical plane was identical both with the different spacings employed and with the single unit, relative power grain calculations were based upon the total radiated energy being an integrated function of the square of the distant field strength times the cosine of the azimuth angle $\Theta$. Fig. 22 is a plot in which the coordinates are $E^{2} \cos \theta$ and $\theta$. The polar plots for the single unstacked unit and for stacked units of spacing $\lambda / 2,3 / 4 \lambda, 5 / 4 \lambda$, and $2 \lambda$ were replotted in Fig. 22 in accordance with the coordinates of $E^{2} \cos \theta$ and $\theta$. The relative power integration is represented by the area enclosed by each curve, and the ratio of the area of any of the curves to the area of the curve for an unstacked single unit represents the maximum power gain relative to a single unit. The areas under the different curves were obtained by means of a


A target recciving antenna was used at approximately $150 \lambda$ from the test antennas at a site free of reflections. 'The antennas used were two standard Telrex 3 -element 2 -meter arrays, at a frequency of 145 Mc .

Fig. 15 is a polar plot of the azimuthal plane field intensity pattern (" $H$ " plane since the antennas were vertically polarized) of a single unit which was used as a gain reference. Figs. 16 through 21 show the evolution of these field patterns as a function of the spacing used. These figures graphically illustrate the following:

1) The continual narrowing of the major lobe as the spacing is increased.
2) The appearance of increasing secondary lobes with increased spacing.

[^2]planimeter, and the following interesting results were obtained.

At spacing between $3 / 4 \lambda$ and $2 \lambda$ the relative power gain compared to a single unit varied from 2.8 to 2.95 db . The accuracy of the overall measurement is such that we conclude that the gain is approximately constant throughout this spacing region and if any variation exists it is less than 0.2 db .

At spacings of less than approximately 3, $\lambda$ the gain continually decreased, being approximately 2 db . at $\lambda / 2$ spacing. 'The gain at spacings less than $\lambda / 2$ decreases rapidly and is scarcely worth the trouble, in addition to the fact that matching problems are incurred.

The polar patterns in Figs. 15 through 20 show that the beamwidth of the major lobe de-


Fig. 15-"H "-plane polar pattern of single 3element liagi.
ereases continuously with increased spacing and reaches a value of 16 degrees at $2 \lambda$. The magnitude of the secondary lobes reaches a value of 80 per cent of the major lobe at $3 \lambda$ and stays fairly $\overline{2}$
constant until $2 \lambda$. The first zero (deep null between lobes) varies from an angle of 60 degrees for a $\lambda / 2$ spacing separation to 15 degrees for a 2. spacing.


Fig. 10 - ${ }^{\mathrm{H}} \mathrm{H}$ "-plane polar pattern of two 3-element Yagis stacked $1 / 2$ wavelength apart.

Figs. 15-21 were obtained with the two 3element Yagis vertically polarized. Their azimuthal directivity under these conditions is considered to be that in free space, since the presence of a ground plane does not affect the horizontal pattern under these conditions. For many applications the stacking of two Yagis is accomplished with the arrays horizontally polarized and stacked one above the other in the vertical


Fig. 17 - "H "-plane polar pattern of two 3-element Yagis stacked $3 / 4$ wavelength apart.


Fig. 18 - "H"-plane polar pattern of two 3-element Yagis stacked one wavelength apart.


Fig. 19-" "H "-plane polar pattern of two 3-element Yagis stacked $5 / 4$ wavelength apart.
plane. In free space the patterns in Figs. 15-21 would merely be rotated 90 degrees to describe the directivity in the vertical plane, with the secondary lobes appearing above and below the main forward horizontal lobe. The presence of a ground plane, however, alters the vertical plane pattern in accordance with $\&$ multiplying pactor. ${ }^{7}$

7 The ground rellection factors shown in Figs. 226 through $2-37$ in the $A R R L$ Antenna Book.


Fig. $21-$ " H "-plane polar pattern of two 3-element Yagis stacked 2 wavelengths apart.


Fig. 20-"'H"-plane polar pattern of two 3-element Yagis tacked $3 / 8$ wavelengths apart.

For a horizontal dipole above a ground plane the vertical-plane directivity is given directly by this multiplying factor, since the free space dircctivity of a dipole in a plane perpendicular to the dipole is a constant. For the case of two stacked antennas we multiply the free-space directivity of the array by the multiplying factor


Fit. 22 - Plot of $\mathrm{E}^{2} \cos \theta \mathrm{vs} . \theta$ for Figg. 15, 16, 17. 19 and 21.


Pig. 23 - Vertical-plane polar pattern of two 3element Yagis arranged as shown.
for the height above the ground plane of the array center.

Figs. 23, 24 and 25 have been drawn to illustrate three cases where the bottom 3-element array is set $\lambda / 2$ above the ground plane and the spacing between the two arrays is $\lambda / 2$ for Fig. 23, $\lambda$ for Fig. 24 and $2 \lambda$ for Fig. 25. These figures are derived from a multiplication of the free-space patterns shown in Figs. 15, 17 and 20 by the ground multiplying factors for the heights from the ground plane to the center of the two arrays.

Fig. 23 shows the maximum radiation angle to occur at about 18 degrees and exhibits a single lobe of relatively broad beamwidth in the verti-

lig. 24-Vertical-plane polar pattern of two 3element Yagis stacked as shown.
cal plane. Fig. 24 exhibits the angle for maximum radiation to occur at about 12 degrees, with a high angle secondary lobe at an angle of about 52 degrees. Fig. 25 shows the angle of maximum radiation to occur at 30 degrees with the secondary lobe at an angle of 7 degrecs. These figures graphically illustrate the effect of different stacking spacings on the angle of maximum radiation. The amplitudes of the lobes shown are correct in a relative sense only for a single figure. To compare amplitudes between figures it would be necessary to compute the gain in accordance with the procedure used earlier to derive the gain for different stacking dimensions.

The over-all effect of a combined system in which a pair of Yagis are spaced above a conducting earth is to result in a vertical energy distribution of which Figs. 23, 24 and 25 are only three examples of a very large number of


Fig. 25-... Vertical-plane polar pattern of two 3 element Yagis stacked as shown.
possible cases. The use of one vertical energy distribution rather than another depends upon the method by which the communication link is established. Recently a great deal of attention has been focused on the mechanism by which over-the-horizon propagation is achieved, which may indicate some use for methods by which the vertical radiation angle may be controlled.
The use of a particular vertical-plane response for an antenna system depends upon the communication link distance. In general, the greater the distance, the lower the wave angle. The optimum radiation angle varies depending upon the height of the reflecting layer which in turn depends upon season, time of day and other factors such as the sunspot cycle. Most data indicate that the optimum radiation angle for 20 meters, as one example, is approximately 13 degrees, which would be almost ideally met by an antenua system such as shown in Fig. 24. The system shown in Fig. 25 would probably be quite poor, since the lobes are either too low or too high to do much good. An ideal setup from the point of view of a means for maintaining communications by (Confinued on prige 182)

# On Erecting Towers 

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Ihave been the proud owner of a selfsupporting steel tower for several years. Since so many people have asked me how it was erected it appears that this may be the propitious moment to provide the details of the assembly operation. Thus, all those who wish to provide similar support for their rotary beams or a locale for large bird feeders may profit by my efforts.

The construction work began when a large truck backed into my driveway and deposited a modest amount of assorted angle, nuts, bolts, etc., on my early summer Johnson grass. This created much consternation, particularly with my top sergeant who arched her eyebrows and exclaimed, "That's $\$ 250.00$ worth?" Feeling somewhat miffed by her failure to appreciate the finer things 1 set to work looking for the assembly instructions, all the while dreaming of those Sy s.s.b. reports in Asia.

Having located the instructions, complete with pictures, I noted they casually mentioned digging holes about $41 / 2$ feet deep to anchor the base. This phase of the operation was begun at once. Three hours and two feet of the first hole later it became apparent that North Carolina clay was not designed for digging. Nevertheless,


I obviously owned a vast amount of raw material for the manufacture of brick and from this I managed to eke a tiny bit of melancholy satisfaction. The digging also provided a difficult way to while away my idle moments and develop a deeper appreciation of the power of the Almighty who had put the stuff there in the first place.

Some eight days passed. After convalescence from a slipped disc and the mild case of bursitis brought on by the exploration of my mineral rights, the time arrived to begin assembly of the tower. Since all my neighbors are teetotalers, (while living at home) a gin pole was out of the question. Hence, it became mandatory to assemble the tower piece by piece.

The first twenty feet of the tower was assembled with base legs resting in the holes but not anchored. I had planned to level the assembly at this point and then pour the concrete. This section of the tower was made plumb with

[^3]peaches since no plumbs grow in this area. Sure enough, when a peach was suspended it hung straight down just as the instructions claimed. Unfortunately, the tower did not hang straight up. This led to a number of snide comments from the neighbors who, up to this point, had given freely of advice but nothing in the line of muscle power. After much tugging and pushing, things looked a bit better but a slight list to the southeast persisted which I attributed to earth rotation, the pull of the moon or some other nebulous natural phenomenon.

The assembly work continued. I would hoist the pieces up the tower, bolt them in position and as sections were assembled, climb to the next horizontal member dragging a $1 \times 6$ behind me. The $1 \times 6$ was used as a bench of sorts and a platform when it became necessary to stand. At the forty foot level a mishap occurred which frightened me slightly. On second thought, it might be more accurate to say I was terrified because for several days I shook like the rear seat on the crosstown subway. It had its compensations, however. For the first time in sixteen yeurs I managed to get the right number of dots when I thumbed out a five on my old Vibroplex.

The accident occurred after I had bolted one end of a horizontal member in place and had pushed the opposite end on the bolt. While stooping to get the nut the member slipped off the bolt and pivoted on the anchored end. The free end described an arc as it dropped and plowed a furrow across the back of my head. I staggered to the corner of the tower and sut down, elinging tenaciously to the vertical upright. Blood was streaming down my back. I remember that I thought my wife would be mightily perturbed. . . . blood all over that new $69 \%$ tee shirt. I also recall thinking it was a rather ignominious way to get a "Silent Key" mention. Nothing respectable like a quiet selfelectrocution. It was downright humiliating. So humiliating in fart that I climbed down the tower and went to the doctor.


He looked me over carefully. "Hmmmmm" he Hmmmmd. "Don't normally repair these beer bottle cuts this early in the day. That'll be three
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## - Recent Equipment -

## The DX-35 Transmitter Kit

The most recent addition to the Heath Company line of assemble-it-yourself equipment for amateurs is the DX-35, a transmitter kit in the - broadly speaking - "50-watt" classification. It has a three-stage r.f. section winding up with a 6146, a screen modulator, and a selfcontained power supply. It is housed in an aluminum cabinet 13 inches wide, $81 / 2$ inches high, and 9 inches deep.

The basic r.f. circuit, omitting switching and other details, is shown in Fig. 1. A 12BY' is
frequency ranges for which they are intended because of the high $L / C$ ratio and the resistance loading.

The 12 BY 7 buffer-multiplier has a tuned plate eircuit on each of the five bands. The $11-\mu \mu f$. capacitor across $L_{2}$ permits resonating the circuit to the actual frequency being used, and serves as an excitation control when detuned to give the desired value of 6146 grid current. This tube is used as a straight-through buffer on 3.5 Mc . when a $3.5-\mathrm{Mc}$. crystal is used in the oscillator,


Fig. 1 - Basic r.f. circuit of the DX-35. The final amplifier works straight through on all bands from 3.5 to 28 Mc., inclusive.
used as a Pierce-type crystal oscillator with an electron-coupled output circuit represented by $L_{1}$ in the diagram. For final-amplifier output on the 3.5- and $7-\mathrm{Mc}$. bands $L_{1}$ is an r.f. choke shunted by a 3300 -ohm resistor, no special tuning being used. For final output on 14 and 21 Mc . the oscillator plate circuit is resonated on 7 Mc ., and for 28-Mc. output it is resonated on 14 Mc. These circuits are not panel-controlled, being broad enough to cover each of the
and in the same way on 7 Mc. when a 7 -Mc. crystal is used. If a 3.5 -Mc. crystal is used for 7 -Mc. final output, the 12 BY 7 becomes a frequency doubler. If a $3.5-\mathrm{Mc}$. erystal is used for final output on 14 Mc ., the oscillator doubles the frequency, which is again doubled by the 12 BY 7 multiplier; with a 7 -Mc. crystal the oscillator works straight through and the second 12BY7 does all the frequency doubling. It is not recommended that $3.5-\mathrm{Mc}$. crystals be used for bands


Plan view of the DX-35. The 6146 final amplifier is near the front of the chassis, with a shield partition between it and the other tubes. The dual condenser at the left has both sections in parallel to provide $900 \mu \mu$ f. of output capacitance in the pi-network tank. The tapped tank inductor is mounted between the panel and the 6146. The 12BY7 oseillator tube is between the power transformer and filter choke, and the 12BY7 buffer is between the oscillator and 6146 final. The speech amplifier and modulator tubes are at the left.

The oscillator circuit is in the shield compartment at the top center in this view. The band switch, with the buffer tank coils mounted between the sections just adjacent to the oscillator compartment, is at left center. The 6146 socket is mounted on a special bracket at the lower center in this picture. Power-supply components oceupy the left-hand section and the speech circuits are at the right. The knob on the rear panel apron is the crystal-selector switch. The socket on the same apron. near the power cord, is for use with a v.f.o., and supplies the proper voltages for the Heathkit VF-1.

higher than 14 Mc. With 7-Mc. crystals the second 12BY7 is a tripler for 21-Mc. output and a doubler for $28-\mathrm{Mc}$. output, its grid being driven on 7 Mc . in the first case and on 14 Mc . in the second.

The 6146 final amplifier has a pi-network output circuit, with the plate tank coil tapped appropriately for each band. On 3.5 and 7 Mc . the $140-\mu \mu f$. tank capacitor is shunted by a $68-$ $\mu \mu$ f. fixed capacitor to increase the total tank capacitance. Cutting the fixed capacitor in and out is taken care of automatically by the band switch. The amplifier is stabilized at the operating frequency by "brute force" resistance loading in the grid circuit, represented principally by the 68 -ohm resistor in series with the grid. This method is probably used in preference to neutralizing because it requires no critical adjustments on the part of an inexperienced builder.

## Modulation

The modulation system used in the DX-35 has some interesting circuit features. Basically it is screen-grid modulation of the 6146, using a cathode-coupled modulator. 'This is combined with voice-operated carrier control to squceze out a bit more output than can be obtained with straight screen modulation because of the plate-dissipation limitations of the modulated stage.

The control and modulator circuit is shown in Fig. 2. The grids of $\Gamma_{1}$ and $V_{2}$ are driven in parallel from the speech amplifier. The control tube, $V_{1}$, has a large cathode resistor, $R_{2}$, and without voice input its cathode is about 30 volts positive. This d.c. voltage is applied to the grid of the modulator, $Y_{2}$, through the isolating resistor $R_{3}$. Under this condition, the plate current flowing through $V_{2}$ develops about 40 volts across the cathode resistor, $R_{4}$, which in turn is applied to the 6146 sereen. At this low screen voltage the plate input to the 6146 is only 40 to 50 ma . at 600 volts. The carrier output is $8-10$ watts under these conditions.

When a voice signal is applied to the grids
the plate current through $V_{1}$ increases (since the initial bias is near cut-off), thereby increasing the voltage drop across $K_{2}$ and thus driving $V_{2}$ 's grid more positive. $V_{2}$ 's cathdde follows right along, raising the screen voltage and thus increasing the 6146 input and the carrier output. The time constant of the $R_{2} \mathrm{C}_{1}$ combination is chosen to make these carrier variations occur at a syllabic rate. Simultaneously, the audio signal at the grid of $V_{2}$ is amplified and appears across $R_{4}$ to modulate the d.c. voltage on the 6146 sereen.

With the constants shown in Fig. 2 the d.c. screen voltage increases to about 90 volts with the maximum audio input that gives undistorted


Fig. 2-- The controlled-carricr and modulator circait.
modulation. The modulation is approximately 60 per cent under this maximum condition. The 6146 plate current swings up to about 90 ma., representing 50 to 60 watts peak input, and the carrier output is $20-25$ watts.

The modulation percentage cain be increased by decreasing the audio voltage applied to the grid of $V_{1}$. This decreases the upward swing of d.c. screen voltage on the 6146 but allows the same peak-envelope output during modulation. We found that reducing the a.i. voltage at the grid of $V_{1}$ to one-half that applied to $V_{2}$ resulted in a maximum d.c. screen voltage of about 75 , accompanied by approximately 80 per cent modulation of the carrier. This is about the most that can be hoped for with a direct-coupled system - particularly with the 6146 , since the
sercen of this tube must be driven negative in order to cut off the output completly.

## General

The power supply has a single-section chokeinput filter and uses a 5 U 4 GB rectifier. The filter capacitor consists of two 450 -volt electrolytic capacitors in series. As shown in Fig. 1, the oscillator and buffer stages are in series across the 600 -volt supply, a method which results in considerable simplification of the power-supply circuits. To avoid heater-cathode insulation troubles in the buffer, since its cathode is about 300 volts above chassis, its heater is supplied from a separate filament winding on the power transformer.

A meter is provided for measuring the $\$ 146$
grid current (full-scale 6 ma .) and cathode current (full-scale 150 ma .).

At the recommended input - - - cathode current about 125 ma . - .... the power output with the kit we assembled was better than 40 watts (c.w.) on 3.5 and 7 Mc . It decreased somewhat, to 35 watts or so, on 14 and 21 Mc. with the same input, and to about 20 watts on 28 Mc . The rather abrupt drop in output on the latter band appeared due to somewhat low grid drive, and the loading for stabilizing the amplifier became suspect. Shorting out the 68 -ohm grid resistor resulted in more than ample drive but, as anticipated, the 6146 oscillated. We found that neutralizing would correct this and the over-all result was $28-\mathrm{Mc}$. output on a par with the other bands.
$-G . G$.

## The L-1000-A Linear Amplifier

$\mathrm{A}^{\mathrm{s}}$3 a gifeat many side banders know, the 813 makes a good high- $\mu$ triode when all its grids are tied together to operate as a control grid, and the tube hiss attained considerable popularity as a grounded-grid linear amplifier. The new Type L-1000-A linear amplifier of Barker and Williamson uses a pair of the tubes operated in this way. The L-1000-A is a bandswitching amplifier capable of inputs up to a kilowatt on c.w. or s.s.b. Over-all size is 21 inches wide, 16 inches high, and 15 inches deep definitely a table-top job.

The 813's are operated in parallel, and work into a pi-network tank circuit using the B \& W 850 tapped tank inductor. This is tuned by a special tank capacitor having two stator sections: one of relatively low capacitance for ease of tuning on 14,21 and 28 Mc ., and a higher- $C$ section that is switched in to provide the proper $L / C$ ratio on 7 and 3.5 Mc . The switch that does this is ganged with the band switch on the 850 . The loading capacitor in the network is a $1500-\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$. variable. 'The tank has the usual protective
choke to give a low-resistance d.c. path from the inner terminal of the output connector to chassis.
The r.f. input circuit is not tuned, since the tubes represent a comparatively low resistance to the driving source and stray reactive effects in the cathode circuit are small enough to be neglected. A short length of coaxial cable between the driver and amplifier provides a satisfactory means of connecting the two. The 813 cathodes are maintained above ground for r.f. by broadband chokes ( $T_{1}$ in the circuit diagram, Fig. 1) in the filament-supply leads. A third winding in the choke assembly is used for neutralizing the amplifier - not a critical process, since the neutralizing capacitor, $C_{\mathrm{N}}$, is simply a small metal pillar mounted on a stand-off insulator between the tubes near enough to the 813 plates to provide a small feed-back capacitauce.

A separate winding on the filament transformer is used for a built-in bias supply. This has a selenium rectifier and a resistance-c‘apacitance filter, and a 500 -ohm potentiometer is connected across the output of the supply for adjustment of bias.

Left: The r.f. section of the L-1000-A is built on a "pan" formed in one piece with the mounting brackets. The grid-cathode circuits of the 813's are contained in the small chassis in the foreground. The tank-capacitor switch, at the left side of the capacitor in this view, is operated by the arm projecting near the front of the capacitor at the right, when engaged by the arm on the band switch of the type 850 tank inductor. The neutralizing capacitor ( $C_{N}$ in Fig. 1) is the small hexagonal stud between the solenoid plate choke and the tubes. Right: The power-supply section. The plate transformer is at the right near the panel. The cage at the left encloses the filter capacitors and bleeders. The heating element is used as series resistor in the plate-transformer primary circuit for reducing power during tune-up.



Fig. 1-- Circuit diagram of the L-1000-A linear amplifier. Peak grid-drive requirements run from 50 to 80 watts, depending on frequency. Part of this power is fed through the grounded-grid 813 amplifier to the antenna.

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it for dividing the potentials equally and also to serve as a bleeder. The tilter choke is tuned to the ripple frequency by the $0.1-\mu$. capacitor shown in the diagram.

A tuning position is provided on the power-supply control switch so that adjustments can be made without danger of damaging either the tubes or the power-supply components. In this position an electric-heater element is

A fan for cooling the tubes goes on wutomatically when the tilaments are switched on.

## Power Supply

The plate power supply for the amplifier is : separate assembly, and those who haven't yet got used to the thought of taking advantage of the low duty cycle of s.s.b. (and c.w.) may blink a couple of times at the thought of a kilowatt power supply that fits without crowding behind : $5 \frac{1}{4}$-inch relay-rack panel. (Although there are no figures on this point in the manufacturer's data, it is probable that the supply would be good for 400-500 watts on a continuous-duty hasis.) The rectifier is a bridge using 816 's, and their output goes to a single-section choke-input filter using a string of eight $80-\mu$ f. 450 -volt electrolytics in series as the filter capacitor. Each of these has a 20,000 -ohm resistor connected across
switched in series with the primary of the plate transformer to reduce the output voltage.

The L-1000-A is rated at a peak plate input of 1000 watts on s.s.b. and 875 watts on c.w. Its use for amplitude modulation is not recommended by the manufacturer. We don't quite understand this, except that the power rating has to be comparatively low on a.m. because it is limited by the plate-dissipation ratings of the tubes. In a.m. service the 813 's should be good for about 375 watts input and an output in the neighborhood of 125 watts, plus the fed-through output from the driver. The continuous input of 375 watts should not overload the power supply. At any rate, our tests showed that it worked quite well at this input as an a.m. linear, developing about 150 watts carrier output on 75 meters. A 15-watt carrier from the driver gave ample excitation.
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# A Tri-Band Quad 

## Three Beams on One Lightweight Frame

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- It was no doubt inevitable that someone would try three quads on one frame. W8TUO did, and has no complaint at all about the results.

WIth good openings occtrring regularly on ten and filteen meters it is very frustrating for a DX man to have a beam for only 20 meters. This was my situation the last $D X$ contest.

A city lot limits most operators to a single tower and lateral space for only one beam. The three-band quad is an answer, without compromises, for good results on 20, 15 and 10. Using a Viking II with an antenna of this type the writer has had over 400 DX contacts over a threemonths period and has worked 75 per cent of all DX stations called.

Originally, a 3-element quad using a director and reflector was constructed but after careful checks and much work it was found that three elements were not worth the extra size and troube. No more gain was realized by adding the director - in fact, the operation with three elements was erratic - so the quad was cut back to two elements with just the reflector.

[^4]The aluminum struts are fastened to the boom with U-bolts and saddles. This picture also shows the extension piece of one strut with the TV stand-off insulators that hold the quad wires.


## Construction

This quad is simple to construct. The frame is made entirely of aluminum tubing in the thought that the appearance would be better than with the bamboo fish poles used in quads described in QST recently. ${ }^{1}$ The spacing between the elements is 8 feet, corresponding to 0.115 wavelength on 14 Mc ., 0.173 wavelength on 21 Mc . and 0.23 wavelength on 28 Mc . The boom is $11 / 4$-inch tempered aluminum tubing.
The struts are made of a 12 -foot section of $5 / 8$-inch tempered aluminum tubing with two 6 -foot sections of $1 / 2$-inch tubing telescoped into either end of the 12 -foot section. There is an overlap of about 4 inches, giving an over-all strut length of 23 feet, 4 inches. A metal screw is used where the sections overlap, to hold them in place. The struts are attached to the boom with $U$ bolts and saddles.

The 20 -meter elements are strung at the outer extremities of the struts through television standoff insulators screwed into wooden-dowel inserts in the ends of the aluminum tubing. Bushings made of Polyethylene cut from coax cable were fitted concentrically and pressed into the television lead-in insulators to make a snug fit for the element wires.

The 15 - and 10 -meter supports are the threaded type of television lead-in stand-off, attached to the tubing by compression clamps. A small amount of additional separation is obtained by making the ten-meter stand-oft's face inward (toward the center of the boom) and the tifteen-

A TV-type tower supports the tri-band quad at W8TUO, and TV hardware is used freely in the antenna construction. Metal crosspieces support the wire elements. A separate coax cable is used for each band.

meter insulators face outward. Adding the 10 and 15 -meter elements gives more rigidity to the framework, just as the spokes add stiffness to a wheel.

## Tuning

The elements should be an electrical quarter wave length on a side at the frequency you use most in each band. ${ }^{2}$ The reflectors were made the same size as the driven elements, with 3 -foot stubs on all bands. In my case the reflectors were tuned for maximum forward gain while the beam was on the ground. It was found that the gain dropped off sharply when the reflectors were made shorter than optimum but that the dropoff is more gradual when the reflectors are made longer than optimum. It follows, therefore, that it would be desirable to adjust the reflector at the lower-frequency limits of a band and good gain should be achieved over the entire band. It is estimated that forward gains of about 8 db . are obtained on all bands.

## Impedance and SWR Measurements

Using an antenna impedance bridge, a halfwave piece of coux was cut for each band. These were attached to the respective driven elements, and the impedance was then measured at the open ends of these coax cables. The cables used were all attached when making measurements, hecause it was found that when the 20 -meter cable was detached the impedance of the 15meter element changed, while detaching the cables on the 15 -meter element changed the standing-wave ratio on 10 and 20 meters.
The impedance as measured by the bridge was 45 ohms on 20 meters and 75 ohms on 10 meters. Distinct nulls were observed in the measurements on these bands. On 15 meters two nulls were observed as the frequency was varied, and the lowerfrequency null was selected. The antenna is very broad on 15 meters. The two nulls, with a slight hump in between, along with the hroadband effect are caused by the fart that the struts are nearly resonant at, 21 Mc . The measured impedance on 15 meters was 120 ohms.

RG-8/U was used to feed the 20 -meter quad and R(x-11/U for 10 meters. Originally, some 300 -ohm u.h.f. twin-lead that happened to be on hund was used for 15 meters. This has since been replaced with $\mathrm{RG}-71 / \mathrm{U}$ coax, which has a characteristic impedance of $9: 3$ ohms.

The standing-wave ratio was measured with the antenna atop the tower in operating position with all of the coas feeders attached. The measurements, shown in Fig. 1, were made with the simple bridge described in the 1955 Handbook. The approximate s.w.r. can be determined from the conversion chart in the Handbook.

The 15 -meter measurements were made with the RG- $71 / \mathrm{U}$ in use. Un this band the aim was to

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Fig. 1-... Bridge measurements on the three bands. These are in terms of current in a 0.1 ma . meter used in connection with a resistance-type s.w.r. bridge.
get the lowest s.w.r. in the middle of the r.w. band. However, the s.w.r. is reasonably low at any frequency in any of the three bands.

## Conclusion

The beam is rotated by a TV rotator. The struts sway and bow in the wind, but no adverse effects on the signal are apparent. My (QTH was on the fringe of the recent Nichigan tornado area; high winds with gusts of $70 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. occurred and the beam withstood all of this punishment. However, I believe that increasing the diameter of the struts slightly would improve the appearance and rigidity.

1 am unable to determine which section of the beam performs the best, because it works like a charm on all three bands.



The compressor-clipper specech amplifier is built on a $10 \times 14 \times 3$-inch aluminum chassis and has an $8 \frac{2}{8}$ inch panel. A fourinch meter is used for monitoring the compression. Output of the complete system is 8-9 volts r.m.s. on sine-wave input.

## Compression and Clipping

## A De Luxe Speech Amplifier for Increasing Modulation Effectiveness

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- Although adding compression to clipping might seem like carrying coals to Newcastle, the author has some compelling reasons for the combination. A complete specch amplifier circuit is described which will maintain a high average percentage of modulation with minimum distortion.

COUNTLESS DESIGNS for speech amplifiers have been described in the publications available to everyone. Many of them have included some form of automatic gain control. Usually, these a.g.c. systems were lacking in something: they generated distortion, had poor input vs. output characteristics, or were subject to severe transient effects, to name a few. And numbers of these designs had clippers in them. Results obtained with clippers were sometimes pretty miserable, primarily because of inadequacies of adjustment.

One characteristic of most of these circuits was that they were oversimplified. This apparently was done with the idea in mind that John Q. Ham was unwilling to go to any lengths at all to get a smoothly-functioning modulator. But take a look for a moment at what John is willing to do

[^6]for his station. He'll think nothing of constructing a 4-tube preselector, a 5-tube transmitter keying and control unit, and perhaps even a 9-tube receiver "tail end." What does he have for a modulator? 'Three tubes and a Class B stage. Distortion? Plenty! (The other fellow's receiver will cover that up.) Splatter? Sure. (Everybody does that.) How can he reduce all of this? By backing down on his gain control. (But then I'll only modulate 100 per cent!) True, but the trouble is that now his average modulation level will be around 30 per cent.

The object of this article is to present a device that will increase the average modulation level tremendously, but will not introduce excessive distortion. The basic idea is that of following a high-quality a.g.c. circuit with a good clipper. The a.g.c. will hold the amount of clipping to a set level, which can actually be zero if desired. The clipper will catch those transients the a.g.c. circuit misses, and can add more voice power. The advantages of both a.g.c. and clipping are realized, and the disadvantages of both are reduced.

Perhaps a little review is in order.

## Compression

If a certain amount of gain reduction is used on loud passages of audio, the average modulation level may then be built up and the received signal will sound louder. If more reduction (com-
pression) is used, the signal will sound even louder. Unfortunately, this procedure can be carried only so far. The background noise will rise, hum may become a problem, and r.f. feedback may occur. It has been found in practice that compression of the order of 20 db . on peaks is about all that can be used ordinarily, although somewhat more can be employed if the entire system is quiet and stable. However, even with very large amounts of compression only a certain amount of apparent increase in loudness may be obtained.

The basic circuits of the most common types of variable-gain amplifiers are shown in Fig. 1. It
does the plate current. As a result, a transient will be generated in the plate circuit. 'This transient, several times the desired-signal amplitude, will cause a "plop" or thump to carry through the following stages. Hence its name, "thump voltage." Being of high amplitude, the thump must be carefully cancelled out or it will be audible in the final result. This is the second reason for using the push-pull connection.

All amplifiers following the variable-gain stage must be push-pull until the signal arrives at one which uses a center-tapped inductor or transformer for its plate load. It is at this point that the distortion and thump cancel themselves out.

Fig. 1 - Basic circuits of controlled-gain amplifiers. The push-pull arrangement is desirable in audio amplifiers for reasons discussed in the text.

will be noted that the circuit for the audio version is in push-pull. All amplifiers whose gain is controlled by shifting the grid bias will introduce distortion, most of which is second harmonic. This distortion can be eliminated, for practical purposes, by the use of tuned circuits or by using a push-pull circuit. Of course, tuned circuits are impractical in reasonably wide-band audio work, but the push-pull connection is perfectly satisfactory, cancelling out the even harmonics.

When the gain-reducing bias is applied to the pentode stage, not only does its gain drop, but so

It would appear that the inductor (or transformer) in which cancellation takes place could be anywhere after the variable-gain stage. This might even mean that the modulation transiormer would do the dirty work. Bear in mind, however, that the thump is always several times the signal amplitude, and that it must be passed without distortion until it is balanced out. If the modulator did the cancellation, its power handling requirements would be increased enormously. So a low-level balance is always used. The inductor may be in the output of the

Each stage is built into a Vector plug-in socket-turret, the $2!\ll 18 / 8$ inch size ( $B 10-\mathrm{M}$ or $\mathrm{B} 10-\mathrm{N}$ ) being used for most of the stages. The larger unit at the far upper right is 3 by 2 inches ( $\mathrm{C} 10-\mathrm{N}$ ) and the twotube turret at the left of the front row is also 3 by 2 inches (Cl2-NN). Nonoperating controls - all potentiometers except $R_{1}, K_{7}$ and $R_{9}$ - are screwdriver types mounted on the rhassis.



Fig. 2 - Cireuit of the complete speech amplifier. Resistors are 1 -watt composition, 10 , tolerance, ex-
cept as indicated. All capacitances are in $\mu$ f. Capacitors with polarization indicated are electrolytic; others are paper except as otherwise specified. Pôtentiometers except $R_{\text {: }}$ are linear taper; $R_{1}$ is audio taper.
are paper except as otherwise specined. Potentiometers except $R_{i}$ are hnear taper; $R_{1}$ is audio taper.
Note: In the author's unit $V_{B}$ and $V_{8}$ are $12 A$ U's $^{\prime}$ w with grid tied to plate in each section to form a diode.
The $6 \mathrm{~A} L$ is's specified should give equivalent results.
$\mathrm{J}_{1}, \mathrm{~J}_{3}, \mathrm{~J}_{4}$ - Open-circuit phone jack.
$\mathrm{J}_{2}$ - Closed-circuit phone jack.
$\mathrm{L}_{1}-10 \mathrm{~h}$. or more, center-tapped; d.c. ma. approx. 5 (secondary of UTC 0-2 p.p. microphone transformer used in unit shown in photographs).
MA --. 0-1 d.c. milliammeter.
$\mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{t}}$-S.p.s.t. toggle.
$\mathrm{S}_{2}$ - Rotary wafer, 1 pole, 4 positions used.
$\mathrm{S}_{s}$ - D.p.s.t. toggle.
$\mathrm{S}_{4}$ - Rotary wafer, 2 pole, 2 positions used.

T1--Interstage audio transformer, 2 to 1 step-up (or more). Push-pull type may be used, in which event the two 510 K resistors will not be needed. (UTC P-15 used in unit shown in photographs).
$V_{1}-12 A X 7$ or 5751.
$V_{2}, V_{3}-6 B A 6$.
$V_{4}-12 A X 7$ or 12AT7.
$V_{6}, V_{7}, V_{8}-12 A U 7$.
$V_{8}, V_{9}$ - wal5.
$\mathrm{V}_{10}-12 \mathrm{AU} 7$ or 12BH7.
variable-gain stage itself, as shown.
The a.g.c. gain-reducing bias is normally negative, and is obtained by means of a rectifier and filter cownected to the output of the variable-gain stage. 'The filter should charge very rapidly since its charge time determines the amount of time required for the compressor to reduce the gain. The necessary gain reduction should take place in the space of only a few cycles of audio. Thus the so-called "attack time" is usually of the order of 1 to 5 milliseconds. There are different opinions as to the length of time that should be allowed to bring the gain back up to normal after a loud passage. If short recovery time is used, then much of the naturalness of the speech will be destroyed. A long recovery time will reduce the effectiveness of the compressor.

## Clipping

Clipping obtains its advantage by altering the wave form of the audio signal. That is to say, if a voice signal of nearly-constant intensity is fed into a clipper, the clipping will add even more apparent loudness. Additional compression would not do this. However, since the wave form is changed, the signal will not sound as it did originally. With low amounts of clipping, around 3 to 6 db ., the only change communications-wise will be an increase in volume and a slight loss of naturalness. At 10 db ., distortion will start to become noticeable. At 20 db . or more of clipping, some of the intelligibility is lost. If the clipping is uncontrolled, as it usually is, it may rise to 30 db . or more on peaks, with distortion all out of proportion to the gain in modulation level. At high levels of clipping, the very same problems arise as with a.g.c.: noise, hum and feedback.

An automatic-gain-control system normally will cause very little distortion of the signal that it controls, but a clipper will cause a considerable amount of distortion. If the audio signal has 10 db . of clipping applied to it. it will contain harmonics of appreciable amplitude to at least the twentieth. These will most certainly cause splatter in the same manner as if the rig were being overmodulated. However, if the output of the clipper is fed through a low-pass filter, these spurious signals will be largely suppressed and will cause no harm. Such a tilter should have it cut-off frequency of about 3000 c.p.s. It should be stressed that the filter will not remove the distortion; it will only serve to remove the higherorder harmonics.

Whenever clipping is used, the modulation-

[^7]system requirements are more rigid. If high-level clipping is employed, all of the preceding stages should be clean up to several times the normal signal level. If low-level clipping is used, the low-frequency response following the clipper must be as good as possible - down to 100 c.p.s. or lower if at all practical. If a low-frequence cut is used, it should be ahead of the clipper. Also, distortion in the modulator must be kept at a minimum. The output of the low-pass filter in the clipper will contain no components capable of causing splatter, but if the modulator or modulation system has any nonlinearity, then splatter will result anyway. ${ }^{\text {i }}$

## Circuit Description

The circuit shown in Fig. 2 employs the principles outlined above. It is the result of about three years of intermittent work, so the bugs have been ironed out and operation is very smooth. Two of the components used in the unit shown in the photographs were obtained on the surplus market and thus may be difficult to duplicate, but substitutions can be made with no really detrimental effiect. 'This particular design illustrates a manner of construction that pro-


One of the plug-in assemblies. Insofar as possible, all components for each stage are mounted inside the turret shield.
vides excellent r.f. shielding and makes for good appearance. Simplicity of the chassis wiring can be seen from the photographs.

The first stage is a 12AX7 (or the newer 5751) with the first half, $V_{1 A}$, operating as a high-gain preamplifier. A resistor is in series with the grid lead as an r.f. feedback precautionary measure. The second half, $V_{1 B}$, of this tube is transiormer coupled to the push-pull variable-gain stage. Available at this point is a bass rolloff for more effective communications-type frequency response. Do not try to eliminate the transformer and use a phase splitter with capacitive coupling here: the attack time of the compressor will unavoidably be made much ionger than permissible and good balance will not be attainable.

The push-pull 6BA6 stage, $\dot{V}_{2}$ and $V_{0}$, acts as a variable-gain stage in the manner described earlier, its grid and suppressor bias being shifted to change the gain. The recovery time of the a.g.c. circuit is made variable in steps by using a series of resistors and a switch, $S_{2}$. For extended range of control action a relatively well-regulated low-voltage source is used for the 6BA6 screens. Metering of the 6BA6 cathode current provides an indication of compression. The plate load is a center-tapped choke. ${ }^{2}$ It feeds a $12 \mathrm{AX7}$ amplifier, $V_{4 A}$, and phase splitter, $V_{4 B}$. The latter goes into a 12AU7 amplifier, $V_{5}$, which feeds the 6 AL 5 rectifier, $V_{6}$. The rectitier must have high back resistance, so don't use a germanium diode. It is possible that some of the silicon varicty myy function properly. The rectifier, operating in conjunction with a delay voltage, provides the gain-reducing bias.

Output from the compressor itself is taken from the stage following the $6 \mathrm{BA} \mathrm{B}^{\prime}$. This drives the first half of a 12AU7, $F_{8 A}$, through a gain control ( $R_{6}, F_{7}$ and $R_{8}$ ) which has adjustable minimum and maximum levels. The signal then goes to a 6AL5 double-diode c:lipper, ${ }^{5} 9$, and

[^8]back to the second half of the 12AU7, $V_{8 B}$, for additional amplification. If the diode is operated at reduced heater voltage, as shown, the sharpness of the break in its transier characteristic will be improved. Do not operate the diode into too low a load resistance. Uneven clipping will surely result, and this is the reason for the large grid resistor in the second half of the 12AU7.

A two-section $R C$ filter is available for splatter suppression. This has been found to give adequate attenuation of the harmonics arising from clipping.

Output from the last stage is about 25 volts peak to peak, sufficient to feed the driver for a Class B modulator. The cathode follower, $V_{10}$, which may be omitted if not needed, will permit feeding a load impedance as low as 5000 ohms.


Fig. 3 - Operating characteristic of the compressor. This curve is for steady-state conditions. 'Trangients exceeding the steady-state level are suppressed in the following clipper stage.

The driver stage, $V_{5}$, also feeds a vacuum-tube voltmeter to indicate the compressor output. This is probably more of a nicety than a necessity.

A few words concerning substitutions. In the original model, the audio transformer and choke were of the Ouncer variety. These, among other things, were picked up in surplus and are expensive if obtained new. Fortunately, almost any breed of transformer can be used in these circuits. The frequency response will of course suffer if poor quality transformers are used, but the circuit will still function properly. The inter-


In this plan view, the row of Vector sockets nearest the panel, left to right, are for the following stages: preamplifier, the two varia-ble-gain tubes, and the amplifier/ driver. The line-up in the row toward the rear of the chassis is, left to right: clipper, amplifier, cathodefollower output stage, rectifier, and vacuum-tube voltmeter.

## Wiring underneath the chassis

 is mostly for stage-to-stage and power connections.
stage transformer need only have a step-up ratio to provide some gain, and the 6BA6 plate inductor must have a reasonably accurate centertap. The interstage transformer can have either a resistive center tap, as shown, or an actual tap, but the plate inductor must be tapped.

For a power supply, one putting out 350 volts under the $45-\mathrm{ma}$. drain of this unit was used. The voltage dividers for the 6BA6 screens should be left as they are with supplies giving moderately different voltages. Likewise, the rectifier


Fig. 4-Over-all frequency response at maximum and minimum settings of the bass control and with the low-pass filter in and out.
bias has been set up for optimum performance. There are no cathode, screen or bias bypasses anywhere in the unit. These were found to be completely unnecessary. It is worthwhile to put a fairly good meter in the unit, since a poorlydamped one is inviting trouble in the form of a false indication of compression. A tuning-eye tube may be tied across the a.g.c. line instead, but it will be rather hard to calibrate.

Since few people ever duplicate a circuit exactly, there is little sense in giving detailed constructional information. Input and output leads should be kept separated, of course, to prevent feedback. This model did not have any special precautions to reduce hum. It was constructed with the aid of Vector plug-in turretsocket units, one of which is shown in a photograph. They give excellent shielding and provide a most convenient method of mounting small components.

## Adjustment

Considering circuit complexity, adjustment is reasonably simple. Connect a $0.02-\mu \mathrm{f}$. capacitor from the hot side of the filament line to the a.g.c. bus. Adjust the compression balance potentiometer, $R_{2}$, for minimum output from the variable-gain stage as observed at the high side of the clipper max. set potentiometer, $R_{6}$. Remove the capacitor and adjust the meter shunt, compression calibrate, $R_{3}$, to give 90 per cent deflection.

To set up the elipper, an audio oscillator should be used. Connect it to the high-level input jack, $J_{1}$. Set the compression control, $R_{1}$, for 15 db . of compression. An oscilloscope can be used for checking this. With the clipping control, $R_{7}$, at maximum and clipper min. set, $R_{8}$, at minimum, adjust the cLIPPER MAX. SET control, $R_{6}$, to the point where clipping just starts. Turn the clipping control to minimum and adjust the clipper min. set control so that the output is now 25 per cent of the clipping level. Without disturbing clipping, reset clipper max. set so clipping again just begins. Lock all adjustments.

The compressor will now hold the clipping to within a db . or so of the amount represented by the setting of the clipping control. The output level should be set, by means of $R_{9}$, to modulate the rig just shy of its modulation capability. Again, a scope should be used for this.

## Results

With 15 db . of compression on frequent peaks, and about 5 db . of clipping, the signal transmitted will have sock. Yet the chances are that it will have less distortion and a narrower bandwidth than most other phone signals on the air.

Don't overlook the possibility of using a unit such as this to drive a reactance modulator for more effective f.m. Naturally, side-band rigs can use a gadget like this, too. Modulation systems in general will be enhanced by the addition of a limiting amplifier.

# Q Multiplier, S.S.B. Q5-er and SOJ 

A Combination for Beating QRM

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#### Abstract

- Some people have the urge to try things, and W1DI is a good example. This article is partly an experience story, partly a circuit description, and largely a plea for taking advantage of some or all of the means available today for improving your reception. The results are well worth it, since selectivity is far more effective against ORM than all the griping in the world.


EVER SINCE McLaughlin published his article on selectable side hand reception ${ }^{1}$ other amateurs have been making notable contributions to the solution of the selectivity problem. Examples are Rand's Q5-er, ${ }^{2}$ Coodman's cascaded $50-\mathrm{kc}$. i.f. amplifiers, ${ }^{3}$ and the half-lattice
a $150-\mathrm{kc}$. or $200-\mathrm{kc}$. coil. As they were cheap 3 for a buck - I bought enough to make up several stages. These transformers were ideal to work with. The two slug-tuned coils are enclosed in powdered-iron covers which fit into recesses in a solid bakelite housing. Turning the tuning slugs all the way in and removing the two retaining screws allowed the assembly to drop out of the shield can. Fig. 1 is a view of one of these i.f. units taken apart.
The capacitor across the $150-\mathrm{kc}$. coil terminals and the leads from the coil were unsoldered and the retaining spring clips were unlatched, permitting the coil and shield covers to drop out of the recess. Swapping this coil with a $50-\mathrm{kc}$. coil from one of the other transformers produced one $50-\mathrm{kc}$. transformer and one $150-\mathrm{kc}$. transformer. By reducing the shunt capacitance across the


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Fig. $l$ View of the surplus i.f. transformer disassembled. These units, originally made up with $50-, 150$ - and $200-\mathrm{kc}$. circuits for the Collins "C.FI" unit, can be made into 50 -kc. transformers by pairing $50-\mathrm{kc}$. circuits in one shield can. The coupling is just about optimum for good selectivity with the pot cores side hy side in the bakelite molding.

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crystal filters described by Morrison, ${ }^{4}$ Good ${ }^{5}$, Titt ${ }^{6}$ and others. The situation today is such that there are available to the ham several means for obtaining high selectivity without too much trouble or expense.

McLaughlin's article on side band switching had so whetted my desire to build a simplified version of his i.f. system that I had obtained surplus $405-$ and $505-\mathrm{kc}$. crystals and $50-\mathrm{kc}$. i.f. transformers before his next article appeared (in April, 1948, QST) on "Simple Simon." The surplus transtormer had one $50-\mathrm{kc}$. coil and either

[^9]150 -ke. coils to $100 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$. the transformer covered 455 kc . I don't know if these surplus transformers are still around but if not, $50-\mathrm{kc}$. transformers are available commercially. ${ }^{7}$

## Squeezing into the BC-474

Having the most important components for the i.f. system, the next problem was where to put it with respect to the BC- 474 transmitterreceiver combination used here. Certainly there was no room in the receiver compartment since it was just about completely filled. The receiver was designed for a dry-battery-pack power supply located in the compartment underneath the front panel. The metal panel for holding the battery pack in place provided the answer as it could be used as the front panel for the new i.f. and the battery compartment was large enough for the assembly if it was designed for the dimensions available. What could be nicer? The battery pack certainly has no place in a QTH with a.c. supply, so the unit would be outboard from the

Fig. 2 - The origina model, using dry-battery tubes. Two of the i.f. cans contain rejection traps no longer used, the circuit having been modified to that shown in Fig. 6. The construction fits the battery compartment of the BC-474, but can easily be changed to meet other physical requirements.

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receiver but inboard in the cabinet. With a similar-sized ( $21 / 8 \times 10$ inches) 16 -inch aluminum subpanel for the tube and crystal sockets and transformers, plus two surplus terminal strips for the resistors and condensers, the unit was built up as shown in Fig. 2.

The first version, with dry-battery tubes, for use with a BC- 474 at the summer QTH (no a.c.) had $455-\mathrm{kc}$. transformer input to the converter tube and 51- and $52-\mathrm{kc}$. traps in the i.f. stage. The traps could be shorted out by switches on the front panel. The tube line-up is a 1R5 converter, 1T4 i.f., 1 S 5 detector and 1S4 audio output, overbiased to reduce the plate current. Without the traps the selectivity curve width is 1.6 kc . at $6 \mathrm{db} . ; 3.32 \mathrm{kc}$. at $20 \mathrm{db} . ; 5.4 \mathrm{kc}$. at 40 db., and 6.22 kc . at 60 db . down.

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Fig. 3-This is the first model using a.c. tubes. It includes the Selectoject but not the Q multiplier, and uses a $455-\mathrm{kc}$. input transformer. The modified versinn is nhown in Fig. 4.

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## A Second Model

It was not long afterwards that Villard's Selectoject ${ }^{8}$ circuit was described in QST, and the fact that rejection or boost occurred in the audio-frequency circuit prompted the building of another unit incorporating the SOJ. This is shown in Fig. 3. The parts on the front panel are the input terminal, side band switch, on-off switch, SOJ reject-boost switch, frequency selector, pilot lamp, null control, power supply connector, and phone jacks.

It seemed that I had hardly become accustomed to enjoying the performance of this unit

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when the $Q$ multiplier came along, with particular emphasis on Harris's circuit. ${ }^{9}$ The deep null and high $Q$ values obtainable from our old friend regeneration constituted a "must" to be incorporated in the McLaughlin unit - but how to do it without rebuilding the whole thing?

Operation with the SOJ had gravitated to its use in the reject circuit more than with the boost circuit, so by removing the boost-reject switch

and leaving the wiring for the reject circuit intact, as well as removing the on-off switch (why was it there in the first place, since the power-supply switch turns everything off?) and the $455-\mathrm{kc}$. input transformer, enough room was left (just barely) for the components of the $Q$ multiplier. The $Q$-multiplier tube socket, coil, circuit capacitors and resistors were mounted on a small aluminum panel, bolted to the back

panel in the space left by the now missing $455-\mathrm{kc}$. input transformer. Fig. 4 shows how this turned out, and the circuit is given in Fig. 5.

## More Changes

Hallicrafters and Collins seem to favor the bridged-T rejection circuit, probably for good reasons. Hallicrafters ${ }^{10}$ use it, in the $50-\mathrm{kc}$. i.f. circuit and point out that the $Q$ of the coil must not be too high because the rejection notch at this frequency becomes so narrow that it is difficult to control. Used in this manner only the adjustable coil, tuning condenser and circuit components are required - no tube. This is combined with i.f. side band switching. Collins ${ }^{11}$ uses a $Q$-multiplier tube and bridged-T following the mechanical filter, the $Q$-multiplier tube being necessary to obtain high $Q$ at the $455-\mathrm{kc}$. intermediate frequency.

In the first (battery-tube) unit described above using i.f. traps a bridged-T circuit was installed by using one of the $50-\mathrm{kc}$. trap coils. The tuning eondenser just did go in the space on the front panel previously occupicd by the trap shorting switches. The revised circuit of this unit is shown in Fig. 6. Although at this writing I have not had time to use it on the air, its 40 db . or better rejection of an interfering heterodyne is for sure, based upon listening tests using a $\mathrm{BC}-221$ for the

10 :' Recent Equipment," QST, December. 1955.
11 "Recent Equipment." QS'T', A pril, 1955.
desired signal and a signal generator for the interfering carrier.

## Alignment

If you have a $50-\mathrm{kc}$. generator or test oscillator, alignment is straightforward. If you do not, get some $455-\mathrm{kc}$. into the front end - from your receiver or BC radio. With the tuning slugs of the i.f. transformers tuned in halfway, start hunting. With a little perseverance you should find the signal and when you do, peak up the i.f.s. Now switch in the other crystal. As pointed out by Goodman, ${ }^{3}$ unless you are lucky you will have to do some readjusting due to slight differences of the crystals from the exact values of 405 and 505. Continue adjusting the i.f. transformers with first one crystal and then the other in operation until you have "split the difference"; that is, when you obtain the same i.f. signal frequency output when either crystal is in use.

If you build one of these units to the same dimensions for a $\mathrm{BC}-474$ and use a $Q$-multiplier input, the $Q$-multiplier coil will be detuned when the unit is placed in its compartment because of the metal top and bottom, but one or more adjustments of the coil inductance should put the resonance point in the middle of the tuning capacitor's range. The $Q$ of the coil is degraded some but there was no other place for it. This situation was alleviated somewhat here by the use of a powdered-iron sleeve slipped over the


Fig. 5 - (ircuit of the a.c.-tube unit, including $Q$ multiplier, 50 kc. i.f., and Selectoject. Capacitances below $0.001 \mu$ f. are in $\mu \mu$ f. Fixed resistors are $1 / 2$ watt unless specified otherwise.
$\mathrm{C}_{1}$ - Midget variable, 50 to $100 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$. max.
$\mathrm{L}_{1}$ - Q-multiplier coil approx. $150 \mu \mathrm{~h}$; broadcast-type "Loopstick."
$R_{1}-R_{3}$ inc. - Potentiometers, linear taper.
$\mathrm{S}_{1}$-S.p.d.t. toggle.
$\mathrm{T}_{1}, \mathrm{~T}_{2}-50$-kc. i.f. transformers (see text).
By-pass capacitors may be ceramic if desired. Mica capacitors should be used in the $Q$-multiplier circuit.


Fis. 6 - The battery-tube circuit, using a bridged-T rejection circuit at 50 kc . Capacitances below $0.001 \mu \mathrm{f}$. are in $\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$. Fixed resistors are $1 / 2$ watt unless specified otherwise.
$\mathrm{L}_{1}-50$-kc. coil, slug-tuned, approx. 7 mh . (see text). $\mathrm{R}_{1}, \mathrm{R}_{2}$ - Potentiometers, linear taper.
$\mathrm{S}_{1}-$ S.p.d.t. toggle.
coil. One other item: the coil and Q-multiplier tube should be reversed in position from that shown so that the heat from the tube does not flow up onto the coil.

The $455-\mathrm{kc}$. input from the receiver is ubtained by running a piece of insulated wire from the input terminal of the unit through a hole previously occupied by one of the captive panelretaining screws and placed near the detector lead from the last i.f. transformer in the receiver. It is secured by a rubber band around the i.f. transformer can. The coupling is weak, but you do not want to overload the $50-\mathrm{kc}$. unit. Enough 455 -kc. signal is obtained this way to bring in a signal with "copiable" strength on the $50-\mathrm{kc}$. unit when it cannot be heard in the speaker hooked to the regular receiver output.

## Operation

The performance of these units is a revelation. In better than nine times out of ten you will hear just one signal in the phones when the output from the speaker (on the "straight" re(eiver) is a jumble of heterodynes. The $Q$-multiplier is used to boost a signal out in the clear but if an interfering heterodyne gets in, switch to the other side band and retune the $Q$-multiplier. This will usually take the interference out but if it is still there, although at reduced volume, and giving you trouble with copy, tune it out with the SOJ frequency control. Keep the SOJ null-depth control set for maximum rejection at all times. Incidentally, you may feel that the SOJ is not doing its $30-\mathrm{db}$. rejection stuff, but don't forget it is feeding directly into the phones and is not followed by several db. more audio gain when it is inserted in the audio circuit of a receiver.

As mentioned in the referenced articles, you don't tune the carrier to the center of the passband; you put it on one edge so that the carrier
$\mathrm{S}_{2}-$ S.p.p.st. toggle.
$\mathrm{T}_{1}-455-\mathrm{kc}$. interstage transformer (see text).
$\mathrm{T}_{2}, \mathrm{~T}_{3}-50$-kc. i.f. transformers (see text).
and one side band are in the pass-band. Selecta-ble-side-band switching is fast --. just as fast as you can move the switch. Other systems require retuning to put the other side band in, with a chance of missing some of the copy.
This dual use of the speaker and phones should satisfy those hams who say that highly selective circuits cause the tuning to be "too sharp." The main receiver circuits are not changed in the least, and normal operation is to use the speaker for your hunting and even when you have a contact. If the signal is in the clear, there is no point in putting on the phones (unless Junior is beating his drum) and you can hear other signals in the background, one of whom might be calling you. After you are in $Q S O$ and if $Q R M$ is present, put on the phones. If the output from the speaker is giving you acoustic QRM, slip the speaker plug out from making contact; it is never pushed in all the way. You have now pulled the curtain down on all except that strong "key click" neighbor or a nearly-identical carrier frequency.

## Other Possibilities

In addition to the above circuits there are half-lattice crystal filters and the very effective Collin's mechanical filter. Altogether they present a glittering array to the ham for astounding improvement in selectivity. The use of any of the circuits, whether it be just a simple $50-\mathrm{kc}$. Q5-er, Q-multiplier, bridged-T, SOJ, or one stage of half-lattice crystal á la Titt or in combination, will result in improved selectivity and better "ropiability." The cost of the parts for these va ious devices can be as low as $\$ 2.00$ for two surplus half-lattice crystals, capacitors and sockets, and $\$ 25.00$ to $\$ 30.00$ should cover the parts for a Q5-er and SOJ. If you want to go all out, build Goodman's amplifier with the "stepped"
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# A QST-Handbook Rig 

Combining Published Designs and Ideas in a Medium-Power C.W. Transmitter

BY COMBINLNG PARTS OF SEVERAL DESIGNS found in articles in QST and in the ARRL Handbook, W5DWX has worked up a neat and compact multiband rig that has many features. Running normally at about 200 watts input, it includes a remotely-tuned v.f.o., a convenient system for covering all bands 80 through 10 meters, time-sequence break-in keving and a pinetwork output stage using a pair of 6146 s . Construction is simplified through the use of prefabricated chassis parts ${ }^{1}$ which make it easy to assemble tailor-made shielding compartments. A W3DZZ multiband antenna ${ }^{2}$ completes an installation that is hard to beat for convenience.

## The Transmitter

A block diagram of the transmitter is shown in Fig. 1. The remotely-tuned v.f.o., section A of the drawing, is almost identical to the one described in the January, 1953 issue of QSTT. ${ }^{3}$ A type 6AG7 was substituted for the 5763 because it happened to be on hand, a 0.001- $\mu$ i $^{\circ}$. coupling capacitor was added between the plate of the oscillator and the output jack to remove the shock hazard, and 47 K grid resistor was split into two sections of 37 K and 10 K , is required for VR-tube break-in keying.

The main part of the transmitter, section $B$ of Fig. 1, is a mocified version of a QST-Hand-

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#### Abstract

- When Jim Drake, W5DWX, wanted a new homebrew rig he found that most "complete" designs didn't quite meet his own particular specifications. However, he did discover, after a little research, that OST and the Handbook have described most of the circuits that anyone would care to include in the ideal c.w. transmitter. At this noint, he came up with the idea of combining some of the ARRL "recipes." Of course, to the pot, he had to add a good-sized dash of "know-how" and a reasonable pinch of ingenuity, but the finished dish was well worth the effort. The compact $200-$ watt transmitter illustrated is proof of the pudding that anyone ran design his own without working out a whole new set of circuitry. This report is not intended as a complete constructional article, but more in the hope that it will inspire a few more hams to consider cooking up their own gear.


book rig originally designed for cither fixed-station or mobile work. ${ }^{4}$ The bulfer-multiplier stage uses most of the parts found in the original crystal oscillator (Fig. 1, page 12, QST, October, 1954). The 100K grid resistor is now connected between grid and chassis. $C_{7}, K_{7}$ and the $2.5-\mathrm{mh}$. cathode choke have been climinated and a 470 -ohm 1 watt resistor, bypassed with a $0.001-\mu \mathrm{f}$. disk ceramic, was substituted. Of course, the crystal and the eapacitive feed-back divider ( $3-30-\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$. trimmer and $100-\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$. mica) are not used in the new circuit, and the grid of the tube is connected through a short length of $\mathrm{RG}-\mathrm{E} 9$ IT to a phono plug that mates with the output conneetor of the tube section of the remotely-tuned v.f.o.


A front view of W SDW X's QST.Handbook rig. The transmitter, complete with power supplies fits into an $83 / 4$-inch racktype cabinet. Controls for buffer-multiplice tuning, huffer-multiplier band switch, meter switch, w.f.c.e-w. switch, and final plate switch are in line, from left to right, across the bottom of the panel. A pilot-light assembly and the a.c. power switch are located in the Inwer right-hand corner. The controls for the driver-multiplier tuning, output-capacitor switch, amplifier tank eapacitor, amplifier variable inductor and variable Inading capacitor are in line in that order to the right of the meter.


Fig. 1 - Block diagram of the transmitting layout used by W'5DWX. Sections $A$ through $G$ of the diagram are individually treated in the text.

The plate circuit of the buffer-multiplier is nearly identical to the one used with $V_{1}$ for the parallel-6146 model of the r.f. assembly. ${ }^{5}$ The eircuit appears as Fig. 1, page 15, QST', June, 1955. Instability that occurred with the circuit tuned to 7 Mc . was cured by connecting a 10 K \%-watt resistor in parallel with the $100-\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$. padder capacitor, C. ${ }_{7}$.

The driver-multiplier circuit is similar to that used with $F_{2}$ of the parallel- 6146 job. ${ }^{5}$ However, the cathode resistor for the tube (originally 220 ohms) has been increased to 470 ohms.

The circuit of the final amplifier is shown in Fig. 2. The grid side of the circuit is similar to that used with the original transmitter ${ }^{5}$ with the exception of the 47 -ohm 1 -watt resistors that have been iuserted to suppress a $90-\mathrm{Mc}$. parasitic oscillation. Conventional pi-network design (as per ARRL Handbook) is used in the plate circuit. $S_{1}$ is of the progressively-shorting type. Beginning with position No. 2, each successive position adds a fixed capacitance of $330 \mu \mu \mathrm{f}$. The cathodes of the $6146 s$ are grounded directly, instead of being connected to a key jack as in

[^12]the previous model of the amplifier, because grid-block keying of the amplitier (plus VR-tube switching of the oscillator) is now employed.

Section $C$ of Fig. 1 represents the antenna used with the transmitter. Details of the antenna were given in a previous QST' article. ${ }^{2}$

A 300-volt power supply for the multiplier tubes and a negative 400 -volt source for the keyer circuit are represented by D of Fig. 1. 'The positive-output part of the supply is conventional and requires no further description. Fig. 3, however, shows a very simple method of providing minus 400 volts for the keyer circuit. 'This is obtained through the addition of a type $6 \times 5$ rectifier and a simple $R C$ filter to the 300 -volt supply.

The keyer for the transmitter has been deseribed in both QST and the Handbook. ${ }^{6}$ It is identified as block E in Fig. 1. Although Goodman's circuit used a type 6 J 5 control tube, this one employs a type 6 C 4 because of its smaller physical size. Furthermore, the plate of the $6 \mathrm{C4}$ is grounded rather than run to positive 100 volts. This last change improved the keying of this particular transmitter.

A straightforward 650-volt supply ( F in Fig. 1) is used with the power amplifier. Regulated 150 volts for the screen grids of the 61468 is

A rear view of the 200 -watt c.w. transmitter. The high-voltage supply is at the left side of the chassis. The dual-purpose supply for the 5763 s and the keyer tube is just to the left of the v.f.o. compartment. A fuse holder and a grommet for the a.c. line are mounted on the rear wall of the chassis. In the shielded compartment to the rear of the panel, the roller inductor is flanked by $C_{1}$ on the right and $C_{2}$ on the left.


Fif. 2 - Schematic of pi-network output stage for the 200 -watt c.w. transmitter. ${ }^{*}$ Indicates components used in original amplifier (see test).
$\mathrm{C}_{1}, \mathrm{C}_{2}-350-\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$. variable (Johnson 350E20).
$\mathrm{C}_{3}, \mathrm{C}_{4}, \mathrm{C}_{5}, \mathrm{C}_{6}-330-\mu \mu \mathrm{f}$. 500 -volt silver mica.
$J_{1}$ - Coaxial receptacle.
$\mathrm{L}_{1}$ - $10-\mu \mathrm{h}$. rotary inductor (Johnson 229-201).
$\mathrm{S}_{1}$ - 4-nosition progressively-shorting ceramic rotary switch (Centralab P1S or PA-12 wafer).
obtained by means of a type 0A2 regulator tube, connected in series with a 25 K 25-watt slider resistor across the output terminals of the supply.

Plate current for the 5763 s (not including the v.f.o. tube) and the 6146 s , and grid current of the driver-multiplier and the final, may be checked at will with the gid of a meter-switching circuit (section G of Fig. 1). The meter-switching circuit, including meter shunts, is identical to that used with the "R.F. Assembly." 4,5.6

## Construction

The front and rear views of the transmitter show how W5DWX has combined the various circuits in a single-chassis layout. The panel measures 19 by $83 / 4$ inches and the main chassis measures 17 by 10 by 3 inches. SeeZak ${ }^{1}$ chassis parts enclose the tube unit of the remotely-tuned v.f.o. (the tuned circuit for the v.f.o. is in a separate housing) at the upper left-hand corner of the chassis as seen in the front view. The 5763s (buffer and driver) and the 6146s are in the SeeZak compartment at the rear of the panel. A length of coaxial cable is connected between the v.f.o. and the grid of the butfer-amplifier. This cable may be seen at the left side of the photograph.

The rear view of the transmitter shows the power supplies and the keyer components in the foreground to the left of the v.f.o. box. The buffer-multiplier tube is in the lower right-hand corner of the shielded compartment located just to the rear of the panel, and the driver-multiplier tube is next in line to the left. The multiband tuner for the driver plate circuit and the meter are also located in the section occupied by the 5763 s . An ordinary tin can - the type used for soup and vegetables - is used as the meter shield.

The 6146s and the pi-network components are mounted in the larger compartment at the upper left-hand corner (rear view) of the chassis. An aluminum partition provides shielding between the driver-multiplier and the final amplifier. The shield is a straight piece of aluminum with lips bent up on all four sides. However, even this part can be purchased ready-made.

[^13]The v.f.o. box and the long shielded section are made with Seezak side rails and panels. The v.f.o. box measures 3 by 4 by 5 inches and is mounted with one of the $3 \times 4$-inch sides fastened to the main chassis. Side rails measuring 4 by 17 inches are used for the long sides of the large shielded enclosure, and the ends of this section are closed with $4 \times 6$-inch side rails. These rails are easily fastened to the main chassis with sheet-metal screws. All except the side rail next to the front panel were put on after the mounting and wiring of components had been completed. A perforated cover is used to complete the long shiclded compartment.

The bottom side of the chassis (not shown) involves no crowding of parts or other complirated construction. The layout is such that all of the tube sockets (excluding the v.f.o. tube) and the small components associated with


Fig. 3 - Circuit diagram of a negative supply for the QST-Handbook transmitter. $T_{1}$ and the 5U4G are parts of a conventional 300 -volt (positive) supply used with the exciter tubes for the rig.
them, are confined to a relatively small area in the front left-hand corner of the chassis. This makes it easy to shicld this area off from the rest of the space underneath the chassis in a simple rectangular box made up of one piece of $3 \times 8$-inch SeeZak side rail, and one piece of $3 \times 6$-inch side rail. The chassis walls form the two remaining sides of the enclosure which is covered by a perforated aluminum bottom plate.

To insure a minimum of TVI, the wiring of the transmitter was done in accordance with the practices outlined in The Radio Amateur's Hondbook. ${ }^{7}$
-C.V.C.


THE END of an era came on July 1，1956，when Radio Arlington－NAA－closed down after 43 years of service．NAA was one of the first modern high power radio stations，and from its 600 －foot tower sped many＂firsts＂in commu－ nications．（See the picture on page 9 of this issue．）＇The first trans－Atlantic radio－telephone conversation in history took place between Radio Arlington and the Eiffel Tower in 1916，and in that same year Radio Arlington worked Radio Honolulu on phone．

The services rendered by Radio Arlington were many．It sent time signals from the Naval Observatory．It sent weather forecasts covering all of the Atlantic Seaboard from Canada to the Caribbean．It sent news broadcasts．In addition， for many years it was the station for the trans－ mittal of messages to the Navy＇s ships at sea．

In cooperation with French scientists，Radio Arlington was used to determine the longitude of two distant geographic points．United States scientists also conducted early important experi－ ments at Radio Arlington．Throughout its exist－ ence，Radio Arlington was a pioneer in new and improved methods of communication．

In 1940 the increasing air traffic in the Wash－ ington area resulted in the towers at NAA becoming more and more of a hazard to air navigation，and so in 1941 these famous towers were removed to another Navy site．From that time on，NAA＇s role in Navy Communications was less prominent，and the final decision was that the functions of NAA could best be handled by other facilities．

Deactivation ceremonies were held at Radio Arlington on July 14th．Principal speaker at the

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RADM H．C．Bruton，USN
Uirector of Naval Communications，W4IH
occasion was the Director of Naval Communi－ cations，RADM H．C．Bruton，W4IH，who dis－ cussed the many high lights of Navy Communi－ cations during the past 40 －odd years．Also par－ ticipating in the program was Capt．E．W．Tuylor， USN，Commanding Officer of the U．S．Naval Communications Station，Washington．On dis－ play in the NAA building was radio equipment depicting Navy communications throughout the past 40 years，as well as copies of messages from leaders in the communications industry expressing regret at the passing of NAA．Representing the League and QST at the ceremonies was the Managing Editor of QST，W1IKE．


## ELECTION NOTICE

## To All Full Members of the American Radio

 Relay League Residing in the Central, Hudson, New England, Northwestern, Roanoke, Rocky Mountain, Southwestern and West Gulf Divisions.An election is about to be held in each of the above-mentioned divisions to choose both a director and a vice-director for the 1957-1958 term. These elections constitute an important part of the machinery of self-government of ARRL. They provide the constitutional opportunity for members to put the direction of their association in the hands of representatives of their own choosing. The election procedures are specified in the By-Laws. A copy of the Articles of Association and By-Laws will be mailed to any member upon request.
Nomination is by petition, which must reach the Headquarters by noon of Sentember 20th. Nominating petitions are hereby solicited. 'Ten or more Full Members of the League residing in any one of the above-named divisions may join in nominating any eligible Full Member residing in that division as a candidate for director therefrom, or as a candidate for vice-director therefrom. No person may simultaneously be a candidate for both offices; if petitions are received naming the same candidate for both offices, his nomination will be deemed for director only and his nomination for vice-director will be void. Inasmuch as all the powers of the director are transferred to the vice-director in the event of the director's resignation or death or inability to perform his duties, it is of as great importance to name a candidate for vice-director as it is for director. The following form for nomination is suggested:

## Brecutive Committce

The A merican Radio Relay League IV'est. Hartford 7, Conn.
We, the undersigned Full Members of the ARRL residing in the Division, hereby nominate. of.
as a candidate for director; and ue also nominate.
dirertar: from this division for the $1957-1958$ term.
dis (Signatures and addresses)

The signers must be Full Members in good standing. The nominee must be a Full Member and the holder of an amateur license, and must have been a member of the League for a continuous term of at least four years at the time of his election. No person is eligible who is commercially engaged in the manufacture, sale or rental of radio apparatus capable of being used in radio communications, or is commercially engaged in the publication of radi literature intended in whole or in part for consumption by radio amatemrs.

All such petitions must be filed at the headquarters office of the League in West Hartford, Conn., by noon EDST of the 20th day of September, 1956. There is no limit to the number of petitions that may be filed on behalf of a given candidate but no member shall append his signature to
more than one petition for the oflice of director and one petition for the office of vice-director. 'I'o be valid, a petition must have the signature of at least ten Full Members in good standing; that is to say: ten or mure Full Members must join in exccuting a single document; a candidate is not nominated by one petition bearing six valid signatures and another bearing four. Petitioners are urged to have an arople number of ignatures, since nominators are occasionally found not to be Full Members in good standing. It is not necessary that a petition name candidates buth for director and for vice-director but members are urged to interest themselves equally in the two otfices.

League members are classified as Full Members and Associate Members. Only those possessing Full Membership may nominate candidates or stand as candidates; members holding Associate Membership are not eligible to either function.

Voting by ballots mailed to each Full Member will take place between October 1st and November 20th, except that if on September 20th oniy one eligible candidate has been nominated, he will be declared elected.

Present directors and vice-directors for these divisions are as follows: Central: Harry M. Matthews, W9UQT, and George E. Keith, W9QLZ. Hudson: George V. Cooke, jr., W2OBU, and Thomas J. Ryan, jr., W2NKD. New Enviand: Philip S. Rand, W1DBM, and Clayton C. Gordon, W1HRC. Northwestern: R. Rex Roberts, W7CPY, and (no vicedirector). Roanoke: P. Lanier Anderson, jr., W4MWH, and Theodore P. Mathewson, W4F.J. Rocky Mountain: Claude M. Maer. jr., WøIC, and Walter M. Reed, WøWRO. Southwestern: Walter R. Joos, W6EKM, and Robert F. Hopper, W6YXU. Test Gulf: Robert E. Cowan, W5CF. and John F. Shelton, W5MA.

Fill Members are urged to take the initiative and to file nominating petitions immediately.

For the Roard of Directors:
A. L. BUDLONO

Secretary
.Tuly 1, 1956

## STAFF ANNIVERSARY

The rapid growth of the League in its first postwar year demanded the installation of auttomatic machine systems to replace handwritten methods in certain of our accometing procedures. We recently had the pleasure, at a June dinnermeeting, of admitting a new member to the ARRL Hq. Ten-Year Club - Charlotte A. Clark,

who joined the staff ten years ago to set up and operate these machine bookkeeping systems. In those ten years, the gross business of the League has doubled; under Charlotte's watchful eyes, the machines have been able to keep up with our
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Correspondence From Members-

The publishers of OST assume no responsibility for statements made herein by correspondents.

## WELL DONE

United Air Lines
Stapleton Airfield
Denver 7, Colorado
Editor, QST:
It will be of interest to you and ARRL that, while United Air Lines was in the process of setting up a communications svistem for operations incident to our recent unfortunate accident at Girand Canyon, we were contacted by a group of Flagstaff, Arizona, amateurs, who placed their complete facilities at our disposal.

We were most happy to accept their offer until our own gear could be installed and placed in operation. All radio traffic between our Flagstaff communications base and the Grand Canyon airport was handled expeditiously by amateur radio on July 2.

We would like to make special reference to the fine cooperation given us by John Gann, W7HYQ of Flagstaff, who. operating mobile, was able to clear our radio traffic in conjunction with W7KOY, W7OUE, W7LSK, and others.

We wish to thank these hams and amateur radio in general for a fine job well done. This is certainly an example of the outstanding spirit of public service for which ARRL, members are noted.
--J. K. Cunningham
Director of C'ommunications

## JUST AN EXAMPLE

2100 Scott Strcet Little Rock, Ark.
Fditor, QSTT:
Recently I wrote to the Technical Department of the American Radio Relay League asking if they would refer to their cross-reference and locate the diagram in which a certain transformer was used (I guessed it was a QST issue not later than 1945). Back came a letter from Don Mix, W1'TS, stating that $[$ was wrong about the date, it being page 54 of QST for May, 1940.
This is just another example of how Headquarters is conducting your business. (I work for a big corporation that dotes on being able to produce something from the past post-haste but I never saw them do this good.)

- Bill Funston, IF5.JHL


## EASY EXAM

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Indiana, Pennsylvauia
Editor, QSTT:
Having held both Second Phone and Technician licenses since 1954 I must take issue with W7WKA rather drastically. For one thing, the commercial exam took the three hours, as compared to about forty-five minutes for the Technician. W7ZFY is absolutely right; we need a General and 'Technician theory test which can't be memorized the way some lids I know did. I am now seventeen, am neither a. "whiz kid" nor an E.E., and am getting tired of hearing people who are afraid advances in radio will push them out, just because they are too lazy to read the Handbook.

Incidentally, mentioning the Handbook, I find it and the License Manual were my main texts in preparing for the Second Phone license and plan to use it for most of my study when I go for First in August. No particular criticism of these two books except that you might include more of the License Manual's technical material in the Handbook.
Keep up the good work.
-- Peter S. Chamberlain, WSVWN

## KEEN ON KEYING

315 Welch Ave. Ames, lowa
Editor, QST':
I would like to congratulate W1DX for his excellent article on transmitter keying (p. 27, July QST'). More articles such as Mr. Goodman's on the basic yet finer points of amateur radio would be a help to all hams. The great majority of us are in the learning stage. It is of no avail to tell us don't do this and don't do that; either by FCC rulings or more experienced amateur's remarks. 'To learn we must be shown.

- David G. Parker, W9QVU

75 Kendall Ave.
Framingham, Mass.
Editor, QST:
Congratulations to Byron Goodman, W1DX, for writing such an informative article. . . . With the wealth of information contained in this article it would certainly behoove every man to thoroughly digest it. . . .
--- Gordon E. Hopper, W1MEG

## THE LIGHT THAT FAILED

641 South Friends Ave. Whittier, Calif.
Eiditor, QST:
In the 'rechnical Correspondence in July QST', (p. 34) l came upon the letter about phone QRM, from W6PNW. The writer states that. "s.s.b. Effectively creates more interference and splatter than several a.m. stations as a zeneral rule. (QS'T editors do not accept this statement.)"

Brother, you spend a few days in my shack and I'll prove to you that, in this area, W6PNW stated the situation very truthfully. ['ll show you that a non-splattering s.s.b. signal is as easy to find as is a genuive diamond at a dimestore jewelry counter. That s.s.b. stinks!
--Hubert Sherman. W6LEC
726 Valley Street
Orange, New Jersey
Fiditor, QST':
I'd like to add that although the statement is not accepted by QST Editors, quite a sizeable number of amateurs including myself and my three reccivers, do think along that line. When s.s.b. came into vogue, I naturally began to curse it along with all my other a.m. friends. Then, applying the old adage " 'Tis better to light a candle than to curse the darkness'", I bought up all the literature available on s.s.b., including the ARRL manual, Single sideband for the Radio A mateur. 'The knowledge thus gained has been helpful and has cultivated personal interest in s.s.b., but I'm sorry to say that the cursing continues!
.... Paul B. Boivin, Jr., KESKK

## FRIENDLY ASSIST

20 Grosvenor Square London, W.1.
Editor, QST:
During the six months that $l$ have been stationed in Great Britain, it has been my pleasure to meet a number of Gs and to enjoy their hospitality. In keeping posted on lncal amateur events I have had the occasion to scan their "RSGB Bulletin" (the British QST) and found much of its contents of lively interest, particularly its technical articles, DX and v.h.f. notes, contest information and the advertising describing equipment available in Great Britain.
(Continued on page 152)

## V.H.F. QSO Party

## September 15th-16th

An ARRL V.H.F. QSO Party, open to amateurs who can work any band or bands above 50 Mc., will be held from 2:00 p.m. Local Standard Time, Saturday, Sept. 15th, to 11:00 P.m. Local Standard Time, Sunday, Sept. 16th.
Call "CQ Contest" or "CQ V.H.F. QSO Party" to get in touch with other contestants. During contact, operators must exchange names of their ARRL sections for full credit. It's also wise to swap signal reports, although this is not required by the rules.
A certificate will be awarded to the top scorer in each ARRL section. In addition, a certificate will go to the high-scoring Novice, Technician, and multioperator station in each section from which three or more valid entries in these three special categories are received.
Submit your results as soon as the competition is over. A simple tabulation of stations and sections worked, as shown on page 60 of June, 1953, QST', is all that is required. Convenient reporting forms are now available from ARRL.

## Rules

1) The contest starts at 2:00 p.m. Local Standard Time, Saturday, Sept. 15th, and ends at 11:00 P.m. Local Standard Time, Sunday, Sept. 16th. All claimed contacts must fall within this period and must be on authorized amateur frequencies above 50 Mc ., using permitted modes of operation.
${ }^{2}$ ) Name-of-section exchanges must be acknowledged by both operators before either may claim contact point(s). A one-way exchange, confirmed, does not count; there is no fractional breakdown of the $1-, 2$ or 3 -point units.
2) Fixed-, portable- or mobile-station operation under one call, from one location only, is permitted. A transmitter used to contact one or more stations may not be used subsequently under more than one other call during the contest period.
3) Scoring: I point for completed two-way section exchanges on 50 or 144 Mc.; $z$ points for such exchanges on 220 or 420 Mc ; $s$ points for such exchanges on the higher $v . h . f$. bands. The sum of these points will be inultiplied by the number of different. ARRL sections worked per band; i.e.. those with which at least one point has been earned. Reworking sections un additional bands for extra section credits is permitted. Cross-band work does not count. Contacts with aircraft, mobile stations cannot be counted for suction multipliers.
4) A contact per band may be counted for each station worked. Example: W2TBD (S.N.J.) works W1DBM (Conn.) on 50, 144 and 220 Mc. for complete exchanges. This gives W2'ГBD 4 points $(1+1+2)$ and also 3 sectionmultiplier credits. (If W2TBD contacts other Connecticut stations on these bands, they do not add to his section multiplier but they do pay off in additional contact points.)
f) Each section multiplier requires completed exchanges with at least one station. The same section can provide another multiplier point only when contacted on a new v.h.f. band.
5) Awards: A certificate will be awarded to the highscoring single-operator station in each ARRL section. In addition, the high-scoring multiple-operator station will receive a certificate in each section from which three or more valid nultiple-operator entries are received. Certiticates will also be given to the top Novice and Technician in each section where three or more such licensces submit logs. Award Committee decisions will be final.
6) Reports must be postmarked no later than October 3, 1956, to be eligible for awards. See the box on page 60 , June, 1953. QST, for corrent form, or a message to Headquarters will bring a lithographed blank for your contest report.

## W/VE Contest

## September 29th-30th

The annual W/VE Contest, sponsored by the Montreal Amateur Radio Club, is scheduled from 6 p.m. EST, Sept. 29th, to $11: 59$ P.m. EST, Sept. 30th. The rules are the same as those of last year. Amateurs in the U. S. A. will try to trade contest exchanges with as many Canadians in as many provinces and territories as possible; VE/VO stations will search for amateurs in the ARRL sections in the U.S. A. A sample message, as originated by a W6 in Los Angeles section, might appear as follows: NR 1 W6XXX 579 LA. VE2BB, MARC contest chairman, urges participants to read the rules carefully and maintain neat logs so that the results can be presented quickly and accurately.

## Rules

1) Any station located in any ARRL section as listed in QsT (page 6) is eligible to enter.
2) All contacts must be made during the contest period from 6,00 p.m. EST, Sept. 99th, to 11:59 p.m. EST, Sept. 30 th, with a total of no more than 20 hours operating time for each entry. Times on and ofir the air must be clearly shown in the contest log.
3) Exchanges such as the following must be exchanged and be fully recorded in the log entered: (1) number of contact: (2) your call; (3) RST report given; (4) ARRL section. Example: NR 1 WgZZZ 579 Kansas.
t) One point may be counted for each exchange sent and arknowledged. One point may be counted for each exchange received. For contest credit a station may be worked once on 'phone and once on c.w. on each band. VE/VO stations will multiply the total points by the number of U.S.A. ARRL sections worked. W/K stations will multiply the total points by the number of VE areas worked and also by 7.11, there being nine Canadian areas (VE1 through 8 plus VO).

A station using a power input of 30 watts or less will receive on additional multiplier of 2 . and a station using from 30 watts to 100 watts will receive one of 1.5 . The tinal score consists of "total points" multiplied by "sections" (times 7.11 in case of $\mathrm{W} / \mathrm{K}$ stations) multiplied by the "power multiplier."
5) Each entry must be accompanied by the following declaration: "I hereby state that my station was operated strictly in accordance with the rules of the contest and guvernmental radio regulations, and I agree that the decision of the Contest Committee of the Niontreal Amateur Radio Club, Inc., shall be final in all cases of dispute."
(6) All entries shall be sent to Gordy Webster, VE2BB. 69 Pine Beach. Dorval, Quebec, Canada, and must be pustmarked not later than midnight October 18, 1956.

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$I^{7}$$T$ IS WITH DEEP REGRET that we record the passing of these amateurs:

W2Q.JH, James R. Holley, New Hartford. N. Y. W4ALV, Lytelle H. Duggan, Birmingham, Ala. W4DUW, Warren N. Call, North Miami, Fla. W4GPX, Walter H. Wooten, Greenville, S. C. W5AKZ, Dr. John T. Porter, Baytown, Texas W9EAZ. William II. Vallette, Wheaton, III. W9GHX, Raymond W. Myers, Chicago, Ill. W9PDU, Abe Krassner, Chicago, Ill. W曰TIA, Dr. Arthur R. Bryant, Beatrice, Nebr. WGTWX, Carroll R. Preiss, Iowa City, Iowa WOWDS, G. Howard Abernathy, Batavia, Iowa VE3BMG: William F. White, Hamilton, Ont., Canada

## Strays第

Thanks to our South African contemporary, Radio ZS, for this gem. Author unknown.

## FINAL KICK

Full-gallon McGhee was having trouble with his rig, so invited Key-click Mouton over for a short sesh of trouble-shooting, complete with RF as deemed appropriate. Key-click allowed as there were some matters requiring his attention at home, but being naturally more than somewhat interested in ham-radio, also allowed as they could wait.

Therefore, over he comes and they get stuck into Full-gallon's rig, which is now considerably confused. The window of Full-gallon's shack overlooks the local Main Road, and while Key-click is giving out with a test call subsequent to sorting things out, a hearse passes by, followed by various cars, whereupon Key-click says piously:
"QRX OM'S, will continue call later."
Thereupon he rises and stands solemnly, head bowed, facing towards said cortege while it passes.
Hereafter he repositions himself in front of the rig, but before he partakes of any activity, Full-gallon makes speech, and states as follows:
"Key-click," he says, "that was most mannerly. In all my experience with hams, which has extended over quite some period of time, I have never yet encountered such courtesy. Pray accept my hearty felicitations."
"'Twas no more than natural," replies Key-click, throwing the big switch, and casting a critical eye over the various meters while waiting for the 813's to warm up. "After all, we were married for nigh on twenty years. CQ CQ CQ . . .'

Once again amateurs performed an invaluable public service in an attempt to save the life of a two-year-old boy suffering from hemophilia, an affliction which prevents the clotting of blood. Jean Luc-Poll, of Leopoldville, Belgian Congo, was blecding from the nose and was being kept ative only by continuous transfusions. His doctor knew that the drug parenogen could stop the bleeding, but he could not locate any in Europe or Africa. OQ5BI got on the air and raised W2PFL, Staten Island, N. Y., at 3:00 p.M., July 14. Through the coöperation of the New York Daily News, Cutter Laboratories, Seaview Hospital, Fulton Surgical Co., Civil Defense officials and Pan American Airways, the drug was located and dispatched by the first plane, less than 24 hours after word was received. An interesting footnote: "reading the mail" during the OQ5BI-W2PFL QSO was Capt. Kurt Carlsen, W2ZXM, who had stayed aboard the damaged Flying Enterprise alone for two weeks in 1952 until it finally went down off the English coast. After the emergency traffic was ended, he called in his congratulations from the Flying Enterprise II, near the Azores.

Andy Devine, honorary mayor of Van Nuys, Calif., proclaimed the week preceding ARRL Field Day as Amateur Radio Week in Van Nuys, and called upon his constituents "to honor the amateur radio operators who willingly contribute their time and efforts to maintain communications in time of disaster or other emergencies.

G8RY reports that the rotary inductor of unknown origin which was used in the $4-65 \mathrm{~A}$ transmitter by W8ETU (p. 14, October 1955 QST) has an inductance of approximately $32 \mu \mathrm{~h}$, and can be obtained from a U. S. Navy transmitter type TBW. From surplus TBWs, that is!

The South Jersey Radio Association. which was 40 years old on June 16, lays claim to being the oldest radio club in the States still meeting regularly. Here we see W2UG and W2VX watching W2BQ as he creates some ozone with his original spark transmitter.


## Results, 22nd ARRL DX Contest

TEN is open," was the cry! For the first time since ARRL's 1950 Contest, the m.u.f. was high enough to favor east-west work. Back with a bang were West Coast-to-Europe $\mathrm{QSO}_{8}$, and hams east of the Rockies found themselves raising Oceania and Asia again. A peek at some of the chubbier c.w. logs reveals W3DGM/3 with 63 countrics, while W1ICP, W2HJR, W3BVN, W3LOE, W3MSK, W4BGO, W4CEN, W4KVX, W9AVJ and W9LNM bagged from 50 to 57 on rejuvenated 28 Mc . . . . Multipler-conscious DXers have long cast a wary eye at 11-meter reaches, especially when 28 Mc. is open, and the practice finally paid off. Vonder of wonders, saudwiched in between the diathermies were KG6, KH6, VK, ZL, CE, C.X. HK. LU, PY, ZP and many North American prefixes . . . Born during the 1953 'Test, 15 meters has improved until it is now a major score factor. With Europe and Africa especially catchable, few could cop a 1956 section award unless some operating time was spent here A 24 -hour band again, 14 Mc . became a gold mine where a little digging uncarthed rare nuggets. It was cupable of producing husky signals from almost anywhere for such long stretches that beam-equipped contestants scarcely knew which way to turn. Some 20-c.w. countriesworked totals: W6MIUR and W6RW 118, W4CEN and W6DFY 114, W2AGW 113 , W3LOE 112, W4KVX 107, W:3.JTC W:3.JTK and W6AM 106, W2WZ and W5ASG 105, W3MSK 103, WGGAL/7 101. No question about it twenty is still the bund . . . Forty was plied by all from dusk to dawn, but, with rising sunspot numbers, 80 and 160 -meter activity understandably sagged.

Entries climbed 32.6 per cent, marking six straight years of increases, with 1647 logs (1162 e.w., 485 phone) received. Scores, of course, spiraled similarly with цеш records established in every quarter. Figure 1 tells the story in a nutshell.

One's first reaction upon review of the tabulations may be "Think I'll pack up and move to the East Coast." hut closer inspection reveals that tremendious results filtered in from every nook and cranny in the U. S., Canada and world.

Remember, it doesn't matter a smidgen how well you did nationally or internationally just so long as you whipped the locals - that is, those vying with you on the same mode in your country, ARRL section or club. In accordance with the rules, Certificates of Performance are being shipped to 336 experts in one-upmanship in these categories of competition:

|  |  | c.w. | phone |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Single-operator, W/VE . . . . . . . . . | 69 | 65 |  |
| Multioperator, W/VE . . . . . . . | 2 | 1 |  |
| Single-operator, non-W/VE . . . . | 04 | 64 |  |
| Multioperator, non-W/VE . . . . . | 1 | 0 |  |
| Club. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 29 | 11 |  |

On the debit side, disqualifications of those caught off-frequency jumped alarmingly. Aside


The Midwest was getting in resounding licks as evidenced by W9FJB's 465,908 A-1 score, 13th nationally and top W9. Excited by a $32 \mathrm{~V}-2$ or a $20-\mathrm{A}$, the $4-1000$ linear amplifier radiated nobly thanks to 5 - and 3-element rotaries.
from moral considerations, it's a shame that some allow one slip of the wrist v.f.o.-wise to careen a beautiful sore down the drain. An almost amusing case in point: the VQ4 on 7001 kc. who drifted downward and, in Pied Piper fashion, lured the entire pile-up outside the edge. We're not pushing the "panic button,"


Juan Lobo y fobo has probably established more firsts in ARRL DX contests than anyonc. He was an enthusiastic regular under the calls XE1A, XFLA or XE2N from the thirties until 1950. Hors de combut for a spell, XE1A had feared he was "rusty," an opinion not shared hy DXers who copied his precision tist on 7 hands in the 1956 affair. Final score: a walloping 9.49 .344 points. Welcome back. Juan!


Fig. I - Up go entries and scores in recent ARRL International UX Competitions! These curves bear a striking resemblance to sunspot-number curves.
gang. Everyone makes mistakes, but let's watch our P's and Q's, eh?

## C. W. Highlights

Fifteen Stateside brass pounders surpassed the previous one-man record of 443,538 points set by W3BES at W2SAI in 1955. New Top Banana, after some fancy broken-field running through the (QRM maze, is W3DGM/3 with a colossal 771,520 points, 804 contacts, 320 multiplier. Others who joined in the record-smashing sport: W3LOE 752,247. W4CEN 699,377, W4KVX 691,887, W3MSK 691,014, W2WZ (682,956, W3BVN 681,090, W2H.JR 661,262, W3,JTK 629,748, W6AM 581,940, W3EIV 487,613, W6GAL/7 485,121, W9FJB 465,908, W8FGX 458,052, W4OM 456,120.

At the second plateau between 450 and 300 K were: W3GHS 440,832, W6TT 420,240, W6ITA $+16,079$, W4KFC 404,190 , W9LNM 389,277 , W9HUZ 371,952, W9APY/5 351,900, W2AIW 350,460, W3HEC 343,824, W6BPD 326.268, W1BIH 313,110, W1AXA 311,022, W4UXI $306,450, W 4 \mathrm{DQH} 306,230$. Turn to the section listings for the 101 remaining single-operators ranking over 100,000 . As he is wont to do, VE4RO led Canada with 225,990 , while VE2YA's 123,662-pointer confirmed the fact that the boys up north were getting substantial hunks of the DX.

Best solo performances by licensing areas:

|  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: |
| W1BIH | 313,110 | VE1ZZ | 50,049 |
| W2WZ | 682,956 | VE2YA | 123,662 |
| W3DGM/3 | 771,520 | VE3IR | 25,200 |
| W4CEN | 699,377 | VE4RO | 225,990 |
| W9APY/5 | 351,900 | VE5VL | 11,800 |
| W6AM | 581,940 | VE6NX | 25,110 |
| W6GAL/7 | 485,121 | VE7EH | 2520 |
| W8FGX | 458,052 | VE8WN | 39,270 |
| W9FJB | $+65,908$ | VO6U | 11,016 |
| WøDAE | 209,433 |  |  |

Because they vividly reflect what can be accomplished when an efficient equipment setup is rendered active around the clock, multi-operator scores furnish intriguing study material. W6RW's record 791,460 points, 805 QSOs, 328 multiplier, 129 countrics, came about via the sweat and toil of seven tireless Southern California DXX Club members. A second Los Angeles team manned W6DFY to the tune of 781,860 points, ouly a hair off the pace. Other notable several-operator totals: W9AVJ 428,796, W3GHM 423,612, W4KXV 369,255, W6GTI 355, $\mathbf{7 1 6}$, W1ICP 336,384, W3KT 237,402, W@RSL 215,985.

With all the r.f. being squirted at them, one might ponder the fate of those outside W/VE. To our knowledge, there were no casualties, no hroken bones, not even one punctured eardrum. Indeed, our DX friends relished the fray as much as we did.

Head and shoulders above the foreign radiotelephones was the 441,618 -pointer of 'lG9AD, shown with his furry assistant. A Viking II percolated while the HRO-60. Select-o-ject and Panadaptor handled the reception. Guatemala has heen o rarity lately and we hope Bob returns -... with bells un - in the 1957 shindig.



Brasspounder W6TT grabbed second-high Sixland score and both Northern California DX Club and East Bay section wallpapers with this business-like lash-up. The 310-Bs pushed three p.p. 4-250A finals (two shown), and a KWS-l was also available. Elvin does not dilly. dally between Tests - he's on the IJXCC Honor Roll with 253 confirmed.

In Africa, for example, an 812 final at 200 watts, a vertical, three beams, and 70 hours on-the-air, helped CR6AI amass a cool 248,036 points, 1403 QSOs, multiplier of 59 . More big Dark Continent totals: KTIUX 224,055, EA8BF 204,534, FA9RZ 144,144, ZS5MP 108,634, ZS5U 100,924, ZE5JA 73,704, CT3AB 73,246, CN8AF 60,430.
In Asia, pouring 750 watts into an all-band rhombic, Okinawa's KR6LJ stacked 991 contacts onto a 56 multiplier for 166,488 points. A photofinish battle for Japan plaudits developed betwixt JA3AF and JA3AB, JA3AF emerging victoriously, 126,050 to 121,338 . Other spicy oalls gracing the Asia listings include MP4QAL, VSIGX, VS2DZ, V86AE, YA1AM, 4S7MG and 4S7MR.
In Europe, as elsewhere, results rocketed skyward. Only two Germans broke 100,000 last year, but 22 adept DXers on the continent managed the feat in 1956. Old-liner PAøUN eked out 267,432 points by virtue of 1354 stations worked on five bands, followed by DL4ZC 235,578, HB9NL 234,304 , OK1IH 195,286, HA5KBA 174,105, DJ1BZ 165,472, G5RI 163,392, ZB1AY 160,896, PA@EP 160,430, EA4ED 143,360, EA1AB 136,782, EI5C 132,795, DL1JW 131,275, F9MS 125,620, CT1CO 120,816, F8VJ 119,474, GW5SL 112,636, E19J 111,780, OZ1W 111,628,

[^14]OK3DG 105,192, G2QT 102,030, I1BNU 101,856.
In North America, KV4AA struck with gusto for one million, registering a new global high of 997,036 points. Dick's QSO average of 52 per hour and $3136 \mathrm{~W} / \mathrm{VE}$ contacts furnish tough marks for future challengers. Second-ranking foreign tally was XE1A's 949,344; especially amazing is Juan's multiplier ${ }^{1}$ of 116, 17 shy of "perfect." Also faring well in the Caribbean and vicinity were KP4DH 780,828 , VP9BM 597,114 , XE2NF 576,720, KP4DV 575,652, KP4ZW 466,662, XE2OK 400,158, KP4JE 293,832, VP1SD 226,215 , KP4KD 210,924 .

In Oceania, KH6IJ retained eminence as a contest ace 908,856 points worth, traded info 2915 times, garnered a 104 multiplier. Other notable Pacific returns: KH6AYG 682,560, KH6MG 567,336, KH6PM 493,554, ZL1BY 470,844, VK2GW 234,816, ZL1MQ 185,544, KX6AF 178,353.

In South America, 35 watts into a 6V6-807 rig into a 7 -Mc. doublet was all VP3YG required to run up 1595 contacts and 324,496 points, after which came PY7AN 314,163, CE3AG 285,012, HK3PC 277,648, PJ2AV 230,016, LU8AE 223,713, PJ2AJ 195,920, ZP9AY 136,706, PZ1BS 105,435.

## Phone Highlights

Phone records tumbled too. New W/VE champion is W2SKE/2, whose 842 QSOs and 252 multiplier netted an able-bodied 632,016 points.

Perhaps you can locate your card on the QSL-studded bulkheads of these top-scoring European c.w. participants. Left: Bewhiskered ZB1AY put Malta on the Test map with two 8078, the HRO and BC-348Q, and a collection of dipoles and ground planes. A navy man, Cyril was able to be active 82 hours only because his ship was in dry dock. Right: 'Trieste's I1BNTT employed another pair of 807 s , a Super Pro plus converter, and a multiband center-fed skyhook.


The familiar BC-342 is the lone factory item at FA9RZ, who hustled up 144,144 code points from this cozy corner. The tall rack-and-panel shelters two l.f. rigs and a 144-Mc. job. No newcomer by a long shot, Jacques picked up a medal as CN8YBQ in ARRL's 5 th International Relay Competition of 1933. Wonder if he stands on tiptoe to read those meters!

Skipping 160, Bill put the remainder of the hands to good service, landing 90 different DXCC items in a marathon 95 hours of vocalizing.

Also reaching the higher echelons: W3MSK 454,725 , K2AAA 412,550, W6YY 366,660, W3ECR 363,519, W3DHM 352,506, W4OM 343,860, W6AM ${ }^{2}$ 341,432, W6ITA 280,062, W9AVJ ${ }^{2}$ 250,740, W3GHS 246,840, W8BKP 239,760, W9EWC 227,457, W8NXF 217,300, W4DQH 210,184, W8RLT 190,476, W8NWO 165,120 , W1ONK 157,437, W8NGO ${ }^{2}$ 146,700, VE4RO 145,395, W3CUB 136,186, W5DJH 135,441 , W4NHF 126,360 , W9DUB 125,256, W4EEE 116,748, W3GHM ${ }^{2}$ 114,759, W9JIP 113,832.

Single-operator call area leaders, for geographical comparisons:

| W1ONK | 157,437 | VE1ZZ | 240 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: |
| W2SKE/2 | 632,016 | VE2JR | 45,570 |
| W3MSK | 454,725 | VE3VO | 12,852 |
| W4OM | 343,860 | VE4RO | 145,395 |
| W5DJH | 135,441 | VE5VL | 45,109 |
| W6YY | 366,660 | VE6NX | 24,603 |
| W7HRH | 43,560 | VE7AIH | 19,836 |
| W8BKP | 239,760 | VE8AB | 540 |
| W9EWC | 227,457 | VO6N | 4959 |
| WøGEK | 34,983 |  |  |

Don't get the idea that sore throats were the exclusive property of W's and VE's, for ZS6DW led Africa with 224,532 points and 974 QSOs, thereby earning his tenth consecutive South African phone award. Bill is to be congratulated for almost a decade of consistent winnership (as is G2PU who shares the distinction). Next in Africa: ZS5JY 124,431, ZS9G 58,652, ZS5MP 38,916, ZE2KR 24,444, OQ5AO 15,411, VQ4FK 12,915.

Over in the continent with the mosl people but the fewest hams, very little transpired. The Far East is quite a haul, however, and KA2KS's multiop 41,148 and single-operator JA3BB's 21,634 points rate upfront mention. The W/VE A3 crowd was getting through, if spottily.
${ }^{2}$ Multiple-operator station.

Such is the plethora of gear at W3MSK that just a fraction can be seen here. A partial listing: three 32 V exciters, separate gallon finals for six bands, a 200 -watt 160 -meter rig, two 75 As . Ed attached the conglomeration to an impressive antenna system for a twin killing: the U. S. A.'s fifth-high c.w., second high phone.


EA4DL's 66,411 was tops for Europe, followed hy EI5I's 66,303, as G2PU ran his streak to ten straight Briton triumphs with 62,463 points, number-three score across the pond. After them: DL4AJ 60,912, OE5CK 50,619 , ON4OC 45,855 . Ci3DO 42.640, I1AIJ 40,500, DL1KB 36,490, DL4ZL 35,160.

In North America outside U.S. and Canadian borders: TG9AD 441,618, VP6WR 2!2,636, HR3HH 224,775, XE2NF 179,330, VP9L 177,800, VP7NG 136,240. FM7WQ, KV4BI, KZ5VO, VP5DC and YN4CB didn't do badly either.
In the phone (as well as c..w.) carryings-on over in Oceania, KH6IJ's kw., t-element twirlers and rhombic played the feature role, bringing home 1552 contacts and 349,200 points for the secondhest non-W/VE tally. Strong bids came from these perennial contenders too: KH6PM 265,881, ZL1BY 153,446, ZL1MQ 103,464.

Out in front in America del Sur was HCIES's 391,860 -pointer and 1497 contacts, including 294 on "uscless" 27 Mic., followed by CE3CZ's 285,120, OA5G's 152,658, P.T2AF's 143,594, VP3HAG's 89,320 and PY2Ch's 56,852 .

## Disqualifications

The following are deemed ineligible for score listings or awards. In each case disqualification is for off-frequency operation as confirmed by a single FCC citation or two accredited Official Observer measurements: C.w. - W1YK, W2DAJ,



Furrowed brows and bitten fingernails were in order as anxious $Y$ anks qucued up for (top to hottom) 100. watt ZS9G on phone, 400-watt DU7SV on code and voice, 35-watt ZD3A on c.w.

W3BQP, W3ECR, W3EQA, W3YUTV, W4INL, W6CUQ, W6EEK, W6WLY/ø, W6WSV. W7ATV, W8NP, W9BZW, W9ECZ, W91OP, WøANF, WgGDH; Phone - W1C.JL, W1KFV, W2CGJ, W2QZI, W2TEX, K2HVN, K2JZT, W3DRD, W3ZQ, W5GAI, W6LWP, W6VUP, K6EVR, W7DAA, W7EY̧R, W8AGZ, W9LRH, KLiBSR.

## The Clubs

Each year ARRL offers a cocobolo gavel with an engraved silver band to the radio club whose members post the largest aggregate. In 1956. Southern California DX Club became proud pussessors of the treasured prize with an incredible $7,960,211$ points, thereby solidly dispelling the myth that only easterners have a chance. SCDXC rates applause for a victory which was no quirk of fate but the result of months of organizing and planning. The Potnmac Vallev. Frankford, and Northern California groups, all harboring that inordinate thirst for DX, registered outstanding totals as well. The standings of the 33 clubs participating in the race and the calls of their winners appear in the club tabulation on the faring page.

Quoting a weekly news magazine, "We Earthlinge can watch the sunspot storms and take comfort that we're 93 million miles removed." 'True, and we amateurs can take comfort that such goings-on harbinger improving conditions for the next couple of Tests at least. How will you do? How many new countries will you log? 'There's no time like the present to set your sights on a country or section award in the 23rd ARRL International DX Competition, dates soon to be announced in QST.
-- E.W.-P.S.

## C. W. SCORES

## Twenty-Second International DX Competition

Operator of the station first-listed in each section and mountry is winner for that area. . . . The multiplier used by each station in determining score is given with the score - - in the case of U.S.-Canada this is the total of the countries worked on each frequency-band used; in the case of non-W/VE/VO entries it is the total of the U. S.-Canada districts worked on each band. . . . The total number of contacts is listed next. , . 'The letters A, B, and C upproximate the input to the tinal stage at each station; A indicates power up to and including 100 watts; $B$ indicates over 100 watts, up to and including 500 watta; C indicates over 500 watts. . . . The total operating time to the nearest hour is given for each station and is the last figure following the score. . . . Example of listings: W3DGM/3 771,-520-320-804-C.85, or final score 771,520; multiplier 320: 804 contacts; power over 500 watts; total operating time 85 hours. . . . Stations manned by more than one operator are arouped in order of score following single-operator listings in each section or country tabulation; calls of participants at multi-operator stations are listed in parentheses.

From this source EI5I consummated 66,303 points the leading phone work for Ireland. The band-switched v.f.o.-exciter, an 813 plate and screen modulated by 8058 , and even the mike are EI5I-constructed.

Where three or more multiple-operator entries appear, the top-scoring station is being awarded a certificate.

## ATLANTIC DIVISION

|  | , |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | 13 |
|  | W3GHS. . .440.832-256- |
|  | $3 \mathrm{ADZ} . . .134,532-148-303-\mathrm{BC}-48$ |
|  | W3CGS . . 132,561-143-309- C -52 |
|  | W3LEZ . . . .93.654-129-242- |
|  | 3 IMV. . . . 88,368 -112-263- |
|  | 0,223-121-221- C-43 |
|  | 3EAN . . . $70,203-104-225-\mathrm{C}-31$ |
|  | 3HER....61,938-93-222- B-46 |
|  | $3 W P G$. . . 54,153- 99-183- |
|  | 3MLW. . .53,311-89-201- B-59 |
|  | 3ARK....50,220-90-186- B-46 |
|  | 3ALX. . . 49,179- 97-1 $\mathrm{f}^{\text {8 }}$ |
|  | CHH . . 45,6 |
|  | 3EVW....38,850-74-175- C-17 |
|  | W3TYW . . .23,517-67- |
|  | W3MDE . . .22,374-66-1 |
|  | W3MDO . . 22,2230-57- |
|  | W3DYT... 17,334- 54-107- |
|  | WN3EBG. 17,199- 49-117- A-30 |
|  | W3Q1,W....18.830-51-110 |
|  | W3GRS. . . 14,193-57-83- A-13 |
|  | W3ITW. . . .13.200- 50-88- C-10 |
|  | W3BIP.... .12,384- 48-86- A-33 |
|  | W3SOH. . . 10,387-47-74- A-17 |
|  | W3RRI...... 9438-39-82- |
|  | W3ANZ. . . . 8892-38-78- B-32 |
|  | W3YTM.....7956-39-6R- -- |
|  | W3DYL. . . .il41- 37-65- C-10 |
|  | W3TJW . . . . .5950-34-61- İ-32 |
|  | W3RES . . . . . 4860 - 36- 45- |
|  | W30CU |
|  | DE. . . . 2691- 23-39- |
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W3MQY.....1275-17- 25- C- 7
W3WHK. ....18- $2-$ - A- 10 W3GHM (W3s GHM KDF) 123,612-246-574W3KT (W3s JNQ KT)

237,402-198-400- CW3KFQ (W3s KFQ QMZ) 138,320-140-330- C-96 W3GHD (W3s GrHD JNQ) 117.375-125-313- B-W3CTB (W3s ALB CUB) 59,946-103-194- (1-23
W'3LVF (W3s KFK LVF) 35,100-78-150- C-15 W3LOE . . 752,247-333-753- C-84 W3MSK...691,014-318-725-BC-80 W3BVN . . 681,090-311-730-BC-80 W3JTK. . $629.7+8-306-686-$ (-80 W3EIV .... $487,613-287-567-\mathrm{BC}-88$ W3HEC...343, $824-232-494$ - ( ${ }^{2}-78$ W3MFJ. . $240,469-191-420-$ BC-75 W3EKN...198,800-175-380-BC-70 W3ZAL...173,988-179-324- C-b5 W3IYE... 151,662-161-314- B-43 W3FIS. . . 149,565-164-245-BC-50 W3CPB . . 120,360-136-295- B- W3JTC . . . .92.208-113-272- C-49 W3DRD . . .71,656-106-226- B-38 W3KZQ. . . .57,630- $5.65-226-106-$ (C-47 W3AEL . . 55.704- 8 5-211- C-25 W3EPR. ... $+2,486-$ 97-146- B-32 W3WV ....31,317-73-143-AB-22 W3YRK....21,384- 66-108- A-25 W3HVM . . $21,120-64-110-A-25$ W3HXA. . . 19,320-56-115- B-54

W3WU.... 15.408- 48-107- R- -W3ZQ........5733- 39-49- (.- 8 W3VKI. ......5616- 39-48- B-12 W3R7B......25311-23-38- A-18 W3BVO.....2139-23-31- B-14 W3FY'.......1296-18-24- B-5 W3MCG..... 1080-18-20- A--
 W3PYZ....... 867 -17-17- B- 8 W3VTH. ..... 855-15-19- A- -
 WN3DSA........ ${ }^{1-}$ 1- A-
W3VOS (W3s TMZ VOS)

137,376-162-283-AC-50
Southern New Sersey
W24GL. . 200,382-182-367-BC-67 W2TE ... 151,364-158-320-R-64 W2SDB . . . 45.390- 89-170-BC-45 W2QKJ 35.577-67-177- B-65 W2PAU. . 33.276- 94-118- B-30 K2CPR . . . $31,878-77-138$ - A-21 W2B(II . . .20,160-56-120- R-41 W2UA....14,323- $57-113-\mathrm{B}-4.5$ W2ILN.....14,256-48-99- B-25 W2ATJ. . . . . 6737-43-53- B-27 K2CWJ......4416- 32- 46- A-16 W2VUM.....3B12-29-43- B-16


## Western New York

K2QQU. . 156.519-153-3+1- (-40 W2SAW...147,315-161-305- C-60 W2UWD . 106.860-137-260- C-39 W2BJH. . . $58 . \times 08-136-219-\mathrm{B}-58$ W2ABM . . $54.858-82-223-$ C-52 W2RUJ ....16,629-99-157- B-34 K2CD ......45,969-77-199- C-37 W2Q,IM .... +0.194- 87-154- B-22 K2KID. . . 37,485-85-147- (-40 W2PTI.... .24,642-74-111- B-W2REF . 23,805-69-115- B-22 W2REF...23,805-69-115- B-22 W2TXB … $20,160-58-120-(-24$ W2ZCZ....11,616- 44- KR- B-20 W2D()D....11,319-4!-77- B-10 W2VXA….5184-32-54- B-30 W2PZI....... 2775-25- 37- B-10 W2UTH.....2025-25-27- B-8

CLUB SCORES

|  | Score | C.TT. Winner | Phone Winner |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Southern California DX Club | 7.960,211 | W6AM ${ }^{1}$ | W6YY |
| Potomac Valley Radio Club | 5,120,854 | W3MSK | W3MSK |
| Frankford Radio Club | 4,481.592 | W3DGM | W3ECR |
| Northern California DX Club | 2.735 .331 | W6TT | W6IDY |
| Ohio Valley Amateur Radio Assn. | 2,427.515 | W4KVX | W8JIN |
| Maui Amateur Radio Club | 1,338,792 | KH6MG |  |
| lllinois Ham Club | 1,080,314 | W9FJB |  |
| Northwest Amateur Radio Club (Ill.) | 682,344 |  |  |
| Connecticut Wireless Assn. . | 550,941 | W1BIH |  |
| North Carolina State College Amateur Radio Club | 519,621 | W4UXI |  |
| Four Lakes Amateur Radio Club (Wis.) | 457,806 | W9LNM | W9RBI |
| Hampden County Radio Assn. (Mass.) | 4.53,046 | W1.JYH |  |
| Rochester DX Assn. | 451,304 | W2SAW | W2YQM |
| Order of Boiled Owls (N. Y.) | 391.804 | W2HSZ |  |
| Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club | 244,290 | W9GIL |  |
| Westpark Radiops (Ohio) | 231,226 | W8AJW | W8BF |
| Dade Radio Club (Fla.) | 215,064 | . . . . . . |  |
| Garden State Amateur Radio Assn. (N. J.) | 213,191 | W2TQC |  |
| Willamette Valley DX Club (Ore.) | 190,929 | W7DAA |  |
| The DX Club (Pa.) | 143,877 | W3IMV |  |
| South Jersey Radio Assn. | 116,075 | W2SDB | W2SZP |
| Chelmsford Amateur Radio Assn. (Mass.) | 42,306 | W1OGU |  |
| 'Tri-County Radio Assn. (N. J.) . | 91,221 | W2TWC |  |
| Ohicago Suburban Radio Assn. | 84,435 | W9WFS | W9WFS |
| Tri-State Amateur Radio Society (Ind.) | 55,467 | W9PNE |  |
| Radio Amateurs of (rreater Syracuse. | 44.119 | K2KID |  |
| Coronado Radio Club (Calif.) . | 42,453 | W6JVA |  |
| Columbus Amateur Radio Assn. | 12,060 | W8RTF | W8RTF |
| Central High Radio Club (Iowa) | 35,322 | W $\emptyset$ DSP |  |
| Croose Bay Amateur Radio Club. | 18,680 | i....... |  |
| Lake Success Radio Club (N. Y.) | 18,366 | W2EEN |  |
| Nassau Radio C'lub (N. Y.). | 10,086 | W2MDM |  |
| Stratford Amateur Radio Club (Conn.) | 7349 |  |  |

${ }^{1}$ W6YMD, opr.


The last five Denmark c.w. certificates are the property of OZIW. Seventy-five watts and a $\mathrm{BC}-348$ with Q5er did the trick. OZ1W also holds WAC, DXCC. WAS, OTC, A-1 Op, WBE and BERTA.


## CENTRAL DIVISION

W9F.JB.. . - 165,908-26y-578- (-80 W9HUZ. . 371,952-246-504- C-78 W9ABA. . 294.000-210-467- (-85 W9GRV...274,722-217-422 ( W9UNG. 134,991-159-283-ABC-62 W9ERU. . . 130,214-142-306-BC-72 W9NII....117,300-150-261- B-63 W9FJY. . . 114.660-147-260- C.58 W9WFS.... $57,240-106-180-\mathrm{B}-42$ W9QIY....56,922-106-179- B-60 W9VFZ. . . 44,115-85-173-B(-30 W9PNE. . . .39,168- 46-136- B-39 W9FID . . . 29,760-62-160- (1-51 W9KLD....29,568- 77-128- B-22 W9FNR. . . .27, 27.434- 86-107- C-42 W9PVA. ...25,944- 69-126- B-25 W9UXO. . . 21,960-60-122- (-23 W9SGB....17.385-61-95- B-55 W9DWQ . . 10,434- 47- 74- A-14 W9WYB.....7524- 38-66- B-25 W9VL.......6786- 39-58- B-15 W9ZRG......6156-36-57-AB-11 W9FVUI....... 5850- 39-50- B-15 W9CNF.....5472-32-57- B-40 W9FKC......3306- 29-38- -W9IZ.......3045-29-35- C- 5 W9GIH. .....2600-26-34- A-32 W9WIO..... 2340-26-30- ©- 6 W9LKJ......2100-20-35- B-15 W9IRH ...... 2079-21-33- B-36 W9LQF......1377-17-27- B- 8 W9FNX......756-12-21- A-30 W9CR. . . . . . $570-10-19-\mathrm{BC}-10$ KgBXJ. . . . . . 396-11-12- A-8 W9CDE .......63- 3- 7- -
 W9REC
W9AVJ $(W 98 \mathrm{GVZ}$
NZM PKW) 428,796-258-554- C-96 W9TGB (W9s TGB ZVG) 71,478-114-209- B-56

Indiana W9JIP. . . 195,978-178-367- C-71 W9VUL...194,435-185-351- (C-50 K9CLO . . . 37,966-82-155- ©-30 W9YSX....19,776- 64-103- B-13 W9YFD....14,472-54-90- B-33 W9UTL......4032-32- 42- B-11 W9POB......3509- 29- 41- B-16
W9AJA......2404- 23- 36- B-20 W9FHA...... 1827- 21- 24- A- 6 W9EGQ. ......828-12-23- B-7
W9ZGB.......288- 8-12- A-5

## Hisconsin

W9LNM . . 389,277-259-501- (1-78 W9GIL....123,120-152-270- C35 W9FDX. ...45,684- 94-162-BC--W9RKP....31,710-70-151- B-60 W9DYG...31,590-78-135- B-60 W9KXK ...27,848- 72-128- B-35 W9GWK.....9936- 48- 69- B-12
W9TJG.....4320- 32- 45- A-11 W9TJG......4320-32-45- A-11 W9VOD. ....4390-26-55- C- 7 W9HCX. ....3450-25-46- B-27 W9UTV.... 1020-17-20-A-4 W9DGB......495- 11-15- A-
W9WWJ. .....270- 9-10-W9UFV.......224- 8- 10- A- 3 W9RBI......216- 8 K- 9- -7 WNOYZG $. . . .75-5-5-A-7$
W9GOC (W98 SZR VAK ZQA, KN9CHK)

18,408-52-118- A-42
W9AEM (W98 AEM ZI,D)
5250-35-50-AB-15

## DAKOTA DIVISION

North Dakota
WดEOZ. ...17,325-55-105- B-19
South Dakota
WGBLZ . . . $37,740-85-148-$ B-35
W6FOQ.......1104-16-23-A-13
TVøYCR. . . . $77,589-111-233-\mathrm{C}-49$
WØJSN.. ...67.968-1 18-192- B-46
WøHGH....12,546-51- 82- B-32
WØRXL. . . . .6327- 37-57- B-21
WดDGH. . . . . 4140-30-46- B-21

W6VIP...... 4140-30-46- B-18 W'のOTI. ..... . 3975- 25-53- A-15 W0VBS......1836- 18- 34- B- -W'GQDP......328-12-23- A-4

## DELTA DIVISION

## Arkansas

W5MY.... 63,030-110-191- C-35 W5ASG... . 37,629-113-113-BC-50 W5QKZ......3406-26- 45- B-24 W5BYJ....... 1080-15-24- A-12
L.ouisiana

W5KC . . . 190,473-173-367- B-70 W5CEW. . .85,608-136-210- C- W5PYU. . . 21,390-62-115-AB- -W5DGV.....9522-46-69- C-48 W5GAI. .....6156- 36-57- B-10
Mississippi
W9APY/5.351.900-230-510-C-75
W5CKY.. 262,080-208-420-BC-61
W5DF ...187.340-190-329-BC-70
W5GIF......210-7-10-A-6

Tennessee
W4DQH.. .306,230-228-454-AC-75 W4FKA....56,400-100-188- C-76 W4ENR . .....2325- 25- 31- A-11 W4DWA..... 1242-18-23- A-7 K4APN . . . . . .960-16-20- A-17

## GREAT LAKES DIVISION

|  | Kentucky |
| :---: | :---: |
| W4K | 691,887-329-701- C- |
| W4EPA. | 66,150-105-210- B-28 |
| W4JBQ | 53,544- 92-194- B-45 |
| W40MW | 26,082-69-128- B-52 |
| V4VKB | 1874-18-31- B-8 |
| K4CIA. | .90- 5- 6- A-10 |

## Michigan

W8UPN . . 249,900-204-409-BC-57 WRRQ. . . .210.924-189-372- B-61 W8DUS...208,356-194-358- C-80 W8YIN .. 154,980-164-315- A-41 W8OCK2 . .126,684-138-306- B-R0 W8KPL. . . 26,724-68-131- B-14 W8UVZ......9417- 43-73- A-10 W80CA.... . 8917- 37- 81- B-22 W8ILG.......4650-31- 50- A-14 W8IZS........4416- 32-46- B-19 W8SS.........1848-22-28- B- K W8FSR.......1518-22-23- B-12 W8ICSS. . . . . . 1224- 17- 24- B-7 W8HA....... 1122- 17- 22- A-25 W8MCC. ......936-13-24- A-16 W8DLZ.........450-10-15- B-5 W8NWH.......450-10-15- B- 5 W8VPC (W8: TJQ VPC)

40,421-83-163-AB-85

W8FGX. . .458,052-266-574- C-80 W8EV ...235,128-202-388-BC-59 W87,JM . . 198,831-191-347- B-56 W8PUD. . 141,375-145-327- C-63 W8CEG.. 129,630-149-290- C-30 W8BTI . . . 89,187-137-217- C-30 W8JJWW ....84,816-124-228- C-28 W8AJW . . . .87,176-108-208- A-38 W8BO.J . . . .63,840-1 12-190- C-20 W8VTF. . . 35,490-70-169- B-35 W8STL . . . 33,957- 77-147- C-35 W8RTF. . . .27.324-69-132-AB-36 W8KZT. . . .22.743- 57-133- B-30

W8SWZ. . . 22,620-65-116- B-33 W8GJG....22.578- 71-106- B-24 W8SMC. . . 18,720-65-96- B-15 W8JIN.....18,926-62-91- C-10 W8ELB .....15,738-61- 81- C-10 W8ELB ....15,738-61- 86- B-56
W8SDD $. .12,744-59-72-\mathrm{B}-14$ W8KC.....12,300-50-82- B-26 W8KMF...11,316-46-82 B-62 W8VOX…8658-37-78- B-25 W8LOF......7332-47-52- A-15 W8HZR......6834-34-67- B-23 W8LPE...... . 6549- 37-59- C-19 W8BQV...... 6549- $624-$ 36- 58- A-15 W8BQV......6264-36- 58- A-15
W8FDC.....5766-31- R2- B-43 W8PCS......4914-39-42- B- $y$ W8BUM.... 1644- 36- 43- B-10 W8PM.......4554- 33- 46- B- 8 W8VZE......4356- 33- 44- B-22 W8UMA.... 4200-28-50W8GQD. ....3142-28-38- B-18 W8AAO......2016-21-32- B-12 W8DWP.....1740-20-29- A-25
W8RO....... 1500-20-25-A-W8NWR..... 1404-18- 26- A-12 W8QDH.....1305- 15- 29- B- 5 W8PZD......1260-15-26- B- 8 W8BVF.......1254-19-22- A- 8 W8JAQ..........14-14-17- B- K W8DMD .....546-13-14- A-2 W8YPT. .....363- 11- 11- A-8 W8BMX.....252- 7- 12- A-10
W8BDO W8AL........... 96 W8DAE ....... 48 WN8CGF.

## HUDSON DIVISION

Eiastern New York
W2EWD . .203,988-178-382- C-80 W2HSZ. . 131,440-155-283- B-60 W2HO ....111,150-130-285- B-69 W2AWF. .86,760-120-241-ABC-58 W2BBV... .81.408-106-256- B-37 W2CJM.. . .72,102-122-197- B-38 K2HVN... $51,000-100-170-\mathrm{B}-29$ K2EDH. . .42,315-91-155- B-30 W2FBS...29,127-73-133-ABC-25 W2 VCB. . . $25.668-69-124-\mathrm{B}-40$ W2HUB. ...12,544-52- 83- BK2BE .......1872- 24- 26- B- 9 W2GRI........495-11-15- B- 5 K2OSY .......27-3-3- A- W2PCJ (Ẅ2s PCJ SUC)

51,660-82-210- (1-42
N. F.C. - L. I.

W2WZ . . . 682.956-311-734-BC-69 W2FSO . 16B.496-172-324-ABC-55 W2GSN. . 124.488-133-312- C-38 W2AZS... 108,882-138-263- ( -39 W2HMJ. . .90,384-112-269- B-41 K2CF.....76.257-111-229- B-60 W2MUM. . .64.476-108-199- B-28 W2NQZ. . . 41.292- 93-148- B-38 W'2KMZ . . 31,680-80-132- B-27 W2DKF....28,944-67-144- C-38

W2HQ W2BRV． W2KTF W2CUQ W2VDT． W2MDM W2SUM．．．．9180－45－68－B－W2EEN．．．．．8295－35－79－C－15 W2BEN ．．．．．7800－50－52－B－9 W2BOT．．．．．7344－34－72－B－20 W2ICO． K2BSM．．．．．．3588－28－46－C－13 K2CMV．．．．3584－27－44－B－9 W2BVN．．．．．3375－25－45－B－15 W2JB ．．．．．．3120－26－40－B－ 9 K2GMF ．．．．3016－26－36－－－ W2WFL．．．．．2109－19－37－A－7 W2EQG．．．．1938－19－34－B－12 W2DTL．．．．．．1863－23－27－A－20 K2JTS．．．．．．．．1827－21－29－A－15 K2DGT ．．．1197－19－21－B－ 5 KN2MFY．．．．．936－13－24－A－23 K2GBH．．．．．462－11－14－A－B K2KXZ．．．．．．．444－12－13－A－6 W2LRJ．．．．．．．351－9－13－B－16 K2DEM．．．．．．168－
K2CJS．．．．．．．27－
3－
3－ W2DSC（8 opr8．）

12，787－49－87－AB－34 K2WAF（K2s DVT JOA LSP）

12－2－2－B－1

## Northern New Jersey

W2HJR ${ }^{8}$ ．． $861,262-317-696-\mathrm{BC}-90$ W2AIW．．．350，460－220－531－C－63 W2JT．．．．．270，630－194－465－C－80 K2DCA ．．．261，356－223－392－（ -80 W2AGW．．179，098－149－401－©73 W2EQS．．168，388－172－327－B－90 W2TQC．．125，504－148－284－B－57 W2CWK．．122．157－147－277－AB－40 W2CGJ．．．．99，960－140－238－（－75 W2GNQ ．．． $85,560-124-230-\mathrm{BC}$－ W2BOK．．．80，442－109－246－AB－44 W2TWC ．．．72，504－106－228－AB－36 W2DRV．．．．65，436－114－192－B－31 W2DEW．．．81，200－100－204－B－57 W2DM，J．．．．25，296－68－124－A－25 W2DJT ．．．24，186－58－139－B－26 K2KDW．．22，494－69－110－B－25 K2KFP．．．．11，739－43－91－A－41 W2AQT．．．．10，863－51－71－B－14 W2OZU ．．．．．．9648－48－67－A－20 W2EHN ．．．．9492－42－76－AB－34 W2ZXL．．．．．．7605－39－65－B－30 K2BJA．．．．．．7245－35－68－B－30 W2GKE．．．．．6726－38－59－B－15 W2HTX．．．．6156－38－54－B－20 W2AZL．．．．．．．5985－35－57－B－15 W2F＇XZ．．．．．．5775－35－55－A－22 K2CBB．．．．．4030－31－44－B－11 K2GFX．．．．．3483－27－43－A－11 W2GJD．．．．．．2736－24－38－B－11 K2IBF．．．．．．2580－20－43－A－15 W2SCV ．．．．．．．390－10－13－B－4 W2HMN．．．．．．330－10－11－B－ 8 W2OAE ．．．．．．243－9－9－B－4 K20DA／2．．．．．．．72－t－6－B－ 2

W2CVW．
36－3－4－B－ 1 K2GHV（ $\mathrm{K}_{\mathrm{s}}$ GHV KMC）

17．496－54－108－AC－50
MIDWEST DIVISION

| Iowa |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| W0NWX．．193，320－179－361－ |  |
| WØFDL． | 72，618－133－182－ |
| WøQVZ． | 57，015－105－181－ |
| W＠BFY． | 51，300－95－180－ |
| WøDSP． | 23，563－66－119－ |
| WOGXQ． | ．7437－37－67－ |
| WøDIB． | ．6513－39－56－ |
| WøVFM． | 936－13－24－ |
| WもQLJ | 210－8－10－ |
| WOYSE．． | ．60－4－5－ |
| WøRSL | （Wgs NCS RSL |
| SQO）． | 215，985－187－385－ |
| W6WDK | （W98 WDK YSE） | 4263－29．49－

## Kansas

W曰DAE ．．209，432－188－372－C－50 W6VBQ．．．60，420－106－190－13C－39 WפIUB ．．． 25,986 －71－122－B－－ W0BCI ．．．．．．7605－39－65－B－40 WØQPH．．．．7434－42－59－A－24 WØBYV．．．．．6048－36－56－B－21 WGGAX．．．．．4368－28－52－B－ WのCTK．．．．．2346－23－34－B－12 WøMVO．．．．．．663－13－17－B－14

## Missouri

WGQDF ．．117，180－140－279－（－65 WØBMM／ $0.90,783-131-231$－С－80 W＠BPA．．．．75，258－113－222－B－70 W＠PGI．．．．．．7956－39－68－B－25 WØZSLL ．．．．． $7680-40-64-$ A－42 WøPWN．．．．．．．396－11－12－A－4

## Nebraska

W0BUR．．．．27，951－77－121－A－25

## NEW ENGLAND DIVISION

S＇onnecticut
WIBIH ．．313，110－213－490－BC－63 W1AW 4．5．212，940－195－364－（1－42 WIODW ．199，048－179－372－B－75 WITX．．． $197,904-186-356-\mathrm{BC}-62$ WIZDP ©．158，576－176－303－B－50 WIVG ${ }^{5}$ ．．．158，099－157－337－B－－ WIAB．．．．141，900－173－275－B－45 WINI．．．．．121，505－155－261－BC－44 W1NMP．103，806－146－237－（－29 W1FVF ．．．．98，604－132－249－B－60 W1IOB ．．． $54,840-120-153$－B－35 W1DIT ．．．．42，300－94－150－AC－34 WIAJO．．．41．919－89－157－8－44 WIDHO 26．190－67－130 AB－40 WICTL 842637 70 WIGVK．．．．．6194－38－55－B－15


In down－to－the－wire combat，F9MS（above）clicked off 125,620 points，narrowly outkeying F8VJ（no mean task since latter had won the previous four French awards）．F9MS winds his own transformers，kicks an 807 W at 50 watts，listens on an HRO－5．

| 455－33－45－B－9 | W1LHZ．．．．20，886－59－118－ |
| :---: | :---: |
| W1RFC．．．．3192－28－38－A－14 | W1NS．．．．．13，113－47－94－B－ |
| W1NJM $5 . . .3042-26-39-\mathrm{B}-6$ | W1ISX．．．．12，384－43－96－B－2 |
| W1YYM ${ }^{5}$ ．．．2415－23－35－B－4 | W1MXX．．．．8856－41－72－ |
| W1WY ．．．．．1914－22－29－A－7 | W1JDE ．．．．．8427－53－53－ |
| W1YNC．．．．1860－20－32－B－10 | W1LQQ ．．．．8256－43－64－ |
| W1NLM．．．．1701－21－27－B－10 | W1AMQ．．．．8127－43－63－B |
| W1FTX．．．．1425－19－25－B－3 | W1PWK．．．．6240－40－52－B |
| W1RWS ．．．．．1260－20－21－B－7 | W1CFF．．．．．．223］－23－33－ |
| WN1EWS．．．．．792－12－22－A－14 | W1BPA．．．．．1900－20－32－A |
| W1RST．．．．．363－11－11－B－2 | W1MLG．．．．．1377－17－27－A－ |
| WIICP：（WIs CQS CUT ICP | K1NRK ${ }^{6}$ ．．．．969－17－19－ |
| JZC WPO） | W1CPJ．．．．．．855－15－19－B－ |
| 336．384－219－512－（－92 | W1WMH ．120－5－8－A－ |
|  | W1MX（W1YFM，W2LSJ， |
|  | W6WZD，W9GQL，KL7A＇ |

WIDIC．．236，880－188－4\％3－（－8． 5

## E＇astern Massachusetts

W1AXA．．311，022－222－467－C－8n W1ME．．．153，171－183－279－（C－43 W1TW．．．136．710－147－310－BC－45 WIQJR．．．69，660－90－258－C－72 W1NIY ．．．．66，744－103－216－B－41 W1GLF ．．．63，393－113－187－B－53 WIOGU．．． $59,292-\times 1-244-\mathrm{B}--$ W1JEL ．．．57．750－110－175－（．－24 W1PEG．32．200－70－157－BC－－ WICTW ．．．25．019－58－147－ （Continurd on paye 124）

Kwajalein club station KX6AF posted 178,353 c．w．and 50,336 phone points at the hands of seven Servicemen．Sitting are W7VXF and WIYAE；standing． KøDPA，WØMGC，K4HTJ．W4DJS and K $\emptyset A S U$ ，the remainder of the crew， weren＇t around for the picture－taking． See page 52，February QST，for further KX6AF photos．

Quitrouiz
This problem will be recognized by many of the old timers, but we think it worth repeating in this series because it is a practical problem with a solution that can be used to advantage in any ham shack.

Problem: Using two switches of your awn choice, connect them in the primaries of your power supply so that no matter which switch is thrown first, the filaments will go on first, and then throwing the other switch will turn on the plates. Conversely, no matter which switch is thrown off first, the plates will be turned off, and then throwing the remaining switch will turn off the filaments.

Par for this one should be about 5 minutes, with anything less than 2 minutes dropping you into the genius class.

## ABOUT LAST MONTH'S QUIZ



Here is the simple answer to last month's Quist Quiz by F9TV. As you can sce from the schematic, all of the lamps will light in switch position 3 , but only four of them will light in switch position 1.

## Strays

KøDCF poses the real puzzler in connection with the above Quist Quiz. He wants to know why F9TV's sign says "NO WOOD" in English, seeing as how the French usually speak French.

## FEEDBACK

In Fig. 6, page 148, QST, July, 1956, $K_{1}$ should be a s.p.d.t. relay as shown-mon a s.p.s.t. unit as referred to in the text.
"Antenna Couplers for 50 and 144 Mc .", p. 23 of QST for July - coil $L_{2}$ for 144 Mc . should be $1_{2}^{\prime \prime}$ in diameter, so it will mount inside the $1^{\prime \prime} L_{1}$.

K2KUO calls to our attention the unescapable fact that the v.f.o. circuit on p. 41 of QST for June will oscillate more readily if the lead from $C_{5}^{\prime}$ is moved from pin 1 of the 6AU6 over to the junction of $L_{1} C_{4}$.

## New Apparatus

## Solderless Coax Connectors

Soldering the shield braid to a coax cable plug is a mean job at best and it is an even meaner job to get the thing apart if the connector is to be salvaged and re-used. A newly-a vailable connector in the "u.h.f." series - - the type most familiar in ham gear - has the nice feature that a solderless connection can be made to the cable braid. It comes in two types, both solderless insofar as the braid is concerned, but one having the conventional soldering ferrule for the inner conductor and the other having a solderless inner terminal also. The former is shown in the accompanying

photograph. In both types the cable is inserted in the screw fitting shown at the left, and the braid is turned back over the small end. The piece is then assembled into the part at the center to form the complete plug as shown at the right. The regular adapters can be used with the smaller sizes such as RG-58/U and RG-59/U.

The new Amphenol fittings are designated 83-850 (solderless) and 83-851 (semi-solderless).

## Nibbling Tool

Cutting odd-shaped holes, especially ones with straight sides and square corners, usually calls for a lot of drilling and filing when working on chassis. The new tool shown in the photograph is

designed to do just such jobs with a minimum of effort and noise. It is a small "nibbler" or cutter, hand-operated with a squeczing motion, and having a spring return to set the tool for the next bite. It takes out a section about one-quarter inch wide and a sixteenth or so deep at each
(Continued on page 154)

## GROUNDING SHIELDED LEADS

Angat and effective method of anchoring and grounding shielded leads at through-chassis points is shown in Fig. 1. Section A of the drawing shows how a shakeproof washer is drilled or


Fig. I... Hlustration of the WØQYJ method of grounding shiclded wire at through-chassis points.
reamed to fit around the shield braid. The braid is fitted with a small collar as indicated in B , and is then slipped into the lug and soldered as shown in C. The wire is then pushed through a chassis hole of appropriate size, and the lug is bolted down with a machine screw and nut as illustrated in section D of the sketch.

If the wire is to be unshielded after it enters the chassis, simply clip the braid at the point of entry and solder it to the top side of the lug.

- Herbert Wade, $H^{\prime} \emptyset Q . J Y$


## ANOTHER SOURCE OF FEEDER SPREADERS

THE bakelite spools supplied with Polaroid film make very cxcellent feeder spreaders. 'The spools are approximately 4 inches long and include a siot which may be used for fastening tie wires securely in place. The light weight of the spools makes them well suited for use as the spreaders for those extra long transmission-line runs.

Incidentally, I have soaked one of these spools in water for two days, wiped it off with a dry cloth, and then found its insulation resistance (between ends) to be over 1000 megohms.

- Gene Fry, K2OW


## WIRING ASSIST

WHEN doing construction work, make a sketch of the original schematic diagram and run a red pencil over the lines of the circuit as each part and wire is put in place. This will help to prevent wiring mistakes and will simplify the wiring of a complicated circuit. Furthermore, it tells at a glance what wiring has been done and what wiring has yet to be done.
---Bob Ellis

## USING TAP WRENCHES AS HOLDER FOR COPING SAW BLADES

AS mOST constructors sooner or later find out, A many chassis and panel holes are difficult to cut unless a set of fairly expensive punches is on hand. Cuts that can be made with a hacksaw or a regular coping saw assembly are usually confined to the outer edges of a large chassis or panel hecause of the travel limitation imposed by the frame of the saw.

One dodge around this problem is the use of a coping saw blade clamped between a pair of dime store tiap wrenches as shown in Fig. 2. The distance in that can be reached with this tool is limited unly by the length of one's arms. It does take a bit of

## READY-MADE MOUNTING BRACKETS

MInIature aluminum chassis and Irshaped chassis decks of commercial design are ideally suited to subassembly or "dish" types of construction. Readily available at little expense, these units may be used as
 ready-made mounting brackets for tubes, variable capacitors, etc. Many of the stock sizes will fit inside of standard 3-inch deep chassis.
-Hugh W. Holt, W4TP
practice to learn to keep the blade taut while the cut is being made, but once mastered it is possible to make the most complicated cuts.

Fig. 2 - When the area to be cut cannot be reached with a conventional saw, try using this tap-wrench-coping-saw assembly suggested by W3SUJ.

CONDUCTED BY EDWARD P. TILTON, WIHDQ

Because of delays resulting from your couductor's trip to the National Convention, and conflict with other ARRL contest reports, the summary of the June V.H.F. Party will appear a month later than usual this time. There is one aspect of that activity that deserves reporting in these pages, however: the setting of new DX records on 1215 and 3300 Mc .

The expeditions that set the new records rate top billing, for they represent considerable group effort on two of our microwave bands; work that was done with far more in mind than the achievement of extra multipliers in a v.h.f. contest. Four parties were out, two groups of two stations each, apparently working without knowledge of the others' efforts. Both broke the existing 1215-Mc. record, and over distances that make the result dangerously close to a tie.

In the Southern California effort, W6IHK/6 and W6IFE/ 6 were set up on 1215 and 3300 Mc ., respectively, on a site provided by the Point Luma Amateur Radio Club, W6RDF. The two stations are shown in one of the accompanying photographs. Their DX contacts were with W6VIX/6, operating on La Cumbre Peak, near Sianta Barbara, a distance of 190 miles. The elevations were about 350 and 4000 feet alove seat level, respectively, with an all-water path between. It is of interest to note that the distance, 190 miles, is more than 70 miles beyond the visual horizon for these elevations. It is believed to be the first instance where 3300 Mc . has been used for amateur communication over a path beyond line of sight, and it was farther beyond the horizon than 1215 Mc . has been used heretofore. Signals varied all the way from S9 to lost in the noise.

The transmitter used by W6IHK/6 was an APT-5 feeding the large parabolic antenna shown in the photograph. The type of receiver, and the gear used by WGIFE/6 are not known. Informa-
tion on the equipment used at WGVIX/6 is also lacking. More information on participating operators and stations will appear in the contest summary.

On the same day, June 9th, two other parties set out to break the $1215-\mathrm{Mc}$. record. Members of the V.H.F. Expeditionary Society, a group of v.h.f. enthusiasts in the Bay Area, cooperated in this venture. Equipment used was perhaps the most technically advanced yet employed in twoway work on $1215-\mathrm{Mc}$. in this country. The two stations, nearly identical in design, were both crystal controlled, and the receivers used crystalcontrolled converters. The final stage of each rig was a 2 C 39 A tripler, and the drivers were 4 X 150 A triplers. The receivers had 416 B r.f. amplifiers ahead of crystal mixers. Both had crystal-controlled injection strings, the i.f. in one being 50 Mc . and the other 14 Mc . One transmitter used c.w. exclusively. These splendid rigs were built and operated by K6AXN and K6BAT.
Though the ultimate result of their efforts was just slightly less than the 190 -mile work of W6IHK / 6 and W6VIX/6, they actually held the record for about four hours. Their first contact was made with K6AXN $/ 6$ on Ball Rock, in Northern California, and K6BAT/6 at Hams Station (of all places!) east of Jackson, a distance of about 165 miles.
The following day K6AXN/6 moved to a location on Lookout Peak, near Redding, and contact was made over a 185 -mile path. With K6AXN was W6MXQ. The party with K6BAT (see photo) included W6s VSV RLB CDT and GQK. The stations operated at 36 watts input, and the antennas were dipole-reflector systems using 30 -inch dishes. Signals over the longer haul were 97 on voice for K6BAT, 6 aud RST 578 for the c.w. of $\mathrm{K} 6 \mathrm{AXN} / 6$.

Otherwise, the June V.H.F. Party was high-

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lighted by erratic and well-scattered sporadic- $E$ skip on 6, extensive mountain-top portable activity, and widespread participation. There are nearly $400 \operatorname{logs}$ in the contest file, and scores are new highs for many areas. More details next month.

## Here and There on the V.H.F. Bands

Some months ago, when W3YHI (Andrews Air Force Base. Md.) heard the improvement in signal-to-noise ratio that the $144-\mathrm{Mc}$. single side band of W2.J.JC afforded, Jack decided that s.s.b. was for him, too. This urge was strengthened when W3HWN came on shortly after. In regular schedules with W2JJC since early April. W3YHI has never failed to copy W2JJC sulidly, though Jack has had to resort to c.w. frequently to make the return trip over the 200 -mile path.

W3YHI had no previous s.s.b. experience, and no readymade s.s.b. rig from which to heterodyne to 144 Mc . Also, he wanted to build up a completely separate rig for s.s.b. so that direct comparisons could be made with the a.m.-c.w. job. So, with 19 davs' accumulated leave and the best wishes and advice of W2.JIC and W'3HWN, he embarked on the project.

The result was a complete 144 -Mc. s.s.b. rig running 100 watts peak input to an $829 \mathrm{~B}-19$ days and some nights and weckends later. The line-up: 12AT7 sueech amplifier,


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| WUBJV . . . . . 48 | W4IJCH.....t | WXYLS..... ${ }^{+1}$ |
| WgCJS . . . . 48 | W4MS..... 40 | W8PCK..... 35 |
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| W9ZHL . . . . 48 | W4IU.3.... 38 | W9BRN ..... 48 |
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| W2GYV.... .40 | WBABN.... 35 | WØZTW.....36 |
| K2JN8. . . . . 40 | W6GGG.... 35 | WØVIK.... 35 |
| K2. ${ }^{\text {CR }}$. . . . 39 | W6BWG. . . . 33 |  |
| W2QVH . . . . 38 | W60JF. . . . 31 | VE3AET. . . 45 |
| W2ZUW . . . 36 | K6GTG.... 30 | VE3AIB..... 35 |
| W2ORA.... . 35 |  | VE1QZ...... 34 |
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| W3TIF..... 44 | W7DYD.... ${ }^{15}$ | CO6WW . . . 21 |
| W3NKM... 41 | W7ACD.... 45 | VE4H8. . . . 20 |
| W3MQU . . . 41 | W7JRG..... 44 | Lugma.....11 |
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| W3FPH.... 35 | W8NSS. . . 46 | of special 50-Mc. |
| W4FBH.... 46 | W8CM8.... 46 | WA8 certiticates |
| W4EQM.... 46 | W8NQD..... +5 | listed in order ins |
| W4CPZ | W8UZ..... 45 | Others are based |
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| W4FLW ..... ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | W8SQU. . . . . 45 | ports. |

6J6 modulator, 12AT7 crystal oscillator and cathode follower, with 447 kc . coming out of the 6J6. This is fed through half-lattice crystal networks into another $6 J 6$ mixer. A 9002 heterodyne oscillator on 5675 kc . gives 6.1 Mc. out of the second mixer. Then follows a 6AG5 amplifier and another 6J6 mixer, this time with a 12AT7 oscillator-cathode-follower on 8600 kc . The $14.7-\mathrm{Mc}$. output is fed through another 6AG5 to a third mixer, where a heterodyning frequency of 129.6 Mc . is delivered from two $12 \mathrm{~A} \mathrm{~A}^{\prime} 7 \mathrm{~s}$ and an $8100-\mathrm{kc}$. crystal. Output on the final frequency of 144.3 Mc. is built up through a 6AK5 Class A amplifier, a 6360 Class AB1 and the 829B in Class AB2.

If this seems complicated at the first rundown, remember that it is the complete s.s.b. rig on 144 Mc., including audio. Except for the last two stages, all the tubes are of the receiving variety, and they run at very low input. The whole works is on a single 13 by 17 chassis, with room left for voice control, sideband switching and other features to be added later, 'The weird combination of heterodyning frequencies was worked out to fit Jack's private stock of crystals, as well as to avoid troublesome beats.
'The first s.s.b. CQ from W3YHI netted the expected well-intentioned "Calling the station near 144.3 Mc. 'There's something terribly wrong - " response, but wherever fellows have bcen found who recognize the signal for what it is, und have the facilities and ability to tune it in properly, results have been most gratifying. Jack's experience is probably typical. excent that quite a fow of the v.h.f. s.s.b. enthusiasts have taken the easier route, using commercial exciters on lower bands to heterodyne to 50 or 144 Mc . They run into trouble with the no-b.f.o. gang, but in general it appears that their lot is not as hard as that of eurly pioneers with s.s.b. on lower bands.

Most v.h.f. enthusiasts are hot for any system that will extend the reliable range of neration, and s.s.b. is demonstrating nightly that it can do that on 50 and 144 Mc. Wherever checks are made under marginal conditions, s.s.b. shows its worth clearly. More stations are coming on all the time, and some of them are putting on quite a bit of steam. W3HWN now runs a pair of 4-125s on 144 Mc . K2TKN (ex-WøETJ) has 925 watts on 2 -meter s.s.b. W3BOL, Temple, $\mathrm{Pa} .$, has 5 watts out of an 832A, and K2QCI has 10 watts output. Several other W2s and W3s are getting set for s.s.b. work on 2.

In our recent 7 -wcek swing through all call areas and 24 stutes, we found s.s.b. interest high among v.h.f. men. with quite a few stations already on or nearly ready to go. The other subject that is hot with v.h.f. men right now is scatter propagation - and the two fields combine nicely. Kesults being obtained regularly on several 50)-Mc. scatter circuits indicate that voice-conirol s.s.b. could provide the long-sought means of working v.h.f. DX on voice - when the band is dead, eliminating the waiting for the band to open before long distances can be spanned.

A recent arrival on 50-Mc. s.s.b. is W6RRZ, Long Beach, Calif. Bob heterodynes from a 20A exciter, and his final stage is a pair of 6146 s , running 125 watts peak input. He made his first contacts on July 1st, running promptly into considerable opposition from the owners of Communicators and other b.f.o.-less receivers. He has interested several others in the s.s.b. idea, however, and expects to have Southern California company on 6 -meter s.s.b. soon. W6NLZ, Palos Verdes Estates, was getting set for s.s.b. on 144 Mc ., and we found many others working on s.s.b. or getting ready to, all through W6-land.

Some odd contacts have been made on both 6 and 2 by W5s, 6 s and 7 s recently. W6AJF, Sonoma, worked W7LEE. Parker, Ariz., on 144 Mc. June 2nd, with signal characteristics indicative of sporadic- $F$ pr pagation. If such it was, the distance, 540 miles, is by far the shortest that has ever been covered on 144 Me. by this medium. It would be of interest to know if there was marked thunderstorm activity along that path at the time.

W6NLZ had a crossband QSO with W5LFQ, Lubbock, Texas, 144 to 50 Mc., on June 6th. John changed to 144 Mo. from 50 at 1100 PDT, during a major opening to the east. He was called on 50 Mc. by W5LFQ, and the contact was maintained with W6NLZ on 144 Mc. A 144-Mc. test by W5LLFQ produced nothing readable on that band, probably because he had only vary low power on the higher frequency.

A third one over an unusual distance was a $00-\mathrm{Mc}$. QSO involving W6s UOV BAZ and AFC in the Bay Area and W7VMP. The c.w. signal from Phoenix, 650 miles away, had the;characteristics of ionospheric scatter, though this
is on the near side for that type of propagation. Before the end of the work, W7VMP built up suddenly to SH-plus, and the communication medium appeared to change to sporadic- $E$ skip, a more likely possibility at the short distance.

One thing seems certain: with increasing power, better receivers. larger antennas, and more alert operating, things are likely to happen that will change our present concepts of the means by which our v.h.f. DX is worked. Careful observation and complete and accurate reporting of any unusual v.h.f. communication or reception is the heart of the ARRL-IGY program, announced elsewhere in this issue. If we do the IGY job conscientiously we stand a good chance of making a considerable contribution to man's knowledge of v.h.f. wave propagation.
Scatter from the south appears to have more than a little potential for work between U. S. areas that are hard to hook up hy more common modes of propagation. The predictions for September and October show areas of $l$-layer m.u.f. as high as 62 Mc . just above and below the Equator. When you're looking for South American DX on 50 Mc . don't nverlook the possibility of working other Ws by means of back-scatter from the south. Beams at both ends should be aimed at the area of high m.u.f., not at each other.

Auroral propagation is almost certainly capable of producing more and better v.h.f. DX than we have yet achieved hy that mode of operation. Indications point to the possibility of aurora I)X to southern and western areas of this country, for instance, where it has so far not been worked. (See W4FHK report in OES section.) Aim north, use c.w. and horizontal polarization, and some new aurora I'X barriers may be broken down in the coming months.
The incidence of aurora has increased tremendously in the past year, with the rising solar activity. There are more auroras. stronger signals, and better DX being reported right along. W8DX. Detroit, Mich., has had about 175 QSOs with 22 states on $144-\mathrm{Mc}$. aurora since January 1st!
We have seen that 220 Mc . is capable of supporting communication via the aurora. How about 420? W2TTU, formerly of the Cornell aurora staff, says that high-power radars have recently obtained auroral echoes at 400 to 500 Mc. for the first time. If we could get that 420 -Mc. power limit lifted, the aurora might afford a chance for some new I) $X$ records on that band. Let's not give up without a struggle, even with 50 watts input. We can make the antennas very effective at that frequency.

Here's some $432-\mathrm{Mc}$. DX worked by W6s. W6BDT. Taft, has been working W6MMU, Los Angeles, regularly on both 144 and 432 Mc . This is a 120 -mile path over very high mountains. On June and W6BUT got together with W6BYE, San Diego, for an hour QSO beginning at 0130. This is 210 miles, believed to be the longest haul between two home stations on 432 Mc . in the West. The contact was made shortly after the completion by W6BYE of a crystalenntrolled converter like the one described by W5NSJ in March UST.
How many contacts have you made on a v.h.f. band? W9CT writes that a QSO he had the other night with W9NW represented the 7000th contact that the latter has made on 144 Mc . since he got on the band when it was first opened to amateur use in 1945.

A 2-meter first? On July 15th, W4HJQ, Glendale, Ky., worked W4GIS, Hapeville. Ga. W4WNH, who passed the info along, thinks that this is the first 2 -meter QSO between Georgia and Kentucky. We have no record of any other, to date. Tom, W4HJQ, is using a 96 -element array, which is doing a bang-un job for him. Both boys expect to be in there pitching during the August Perseid meteor shower. We hope that everyone who kept special skeds during this period will let us have the details of any results.

A "marker beacon" often used by 2-meter men at a distance from Washington, D. C. disappeared with the closing down of the Navy's historic NAA, Arlington, Va. This station was the source of the signals at 143.8 and 148.1 Mc . so often used as indicators of band conditions. W3YHI says that some of the regulars who invariably showed up when the 2 -meter band was good have been missing on recent tmpospheric openings, and he suspects that they mav have been waiting for the two band-edge signals to appear as a sign of good conditions. They will not be there any more

Notice that we have a new addition to the $50-\mathrm{Mc}$. WAS holders this month. W0SMJ, Indianola, Iowa, turned the

2-METER STANDINGS CI.S.

| States | r!. s. |  | U, S. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| W1FZJ. . 21 | 6 | 1120 | istates | rea | Mtles |
| W1REZ. 21 | ${ }_{6}$ | 410 | W5FEK. S | 2 | 580 |
| W1RFU. 19 | 7 | 1.150 | W5VY... 7 | 3 | 1200 |
| W1HDQ. 19 | 6 | 1020 |  |  |  |
| W1KC8. 17 | 6 | $\checkmark 10$ | W6W8Q. . 5 | 3 | 1280 |
| W1AJR. 17 | 6 | ¢10 | WBNLZ.. | 2 | 10150 |
| W1IZY. 17 | ¢ | 750 | W6RRZ.. 4 | 2 | 381 |
| W1UIZ. 17 | 5 | 680 | W6 ${ }^{\text {WNS. }} 4$ | $\stackrel{2}{2}$ | 350 |
| W1BCN. 16 | 5 | 650 | WBZL.... 3 | $\because$ | 1400 |
| W1AFO. 15 | 5 | -10 | W6AJF. . | 2 | 640 |
| W1MMN 13 | 5 | 520 | WGBAZ \% | 2 | 320 |
|  |  |  | WRMMU 3 | 2 | 240 |
| W2ORI . 26 | \$ | 1000 | WRORS. . 3 | \% | 201 |
| W2NLY.. 23 | 7 | 1050 | W6LSB.. 2 | $\because$ | 360) |
| W2BLV..22 | 7 | 1020 |  |  |  |
| W2AZL.. 21 | $\%$ | 1050 | W7VMP. 6 | 4 | 1280 |
| W2DWJ. 21 | 6 | 720 | W7L, EE. 5 | 3 | J. 020 |
| W2OPQ. 20 | 6 | 970 | W7JI... 4 | 2 | .353 |
| T2AMJ. . 20 | 6 | 960 | WTLHL. 3 | $\stackrel{\square}{3}$ | 1000 |
| K2CEH. 20 | 7 | 910 | W7YZU.. ${ }^{\text {W }}$ | 2 | 240 |
| WVUUTH. . 19 | 7 | 880 | W7JUO.. 2 | 2 | 140 |
| W2AZP. . 19 | 7 | 650 |  |  |  |
| K2IXJ. . 19 | 6 | 925 | WRWXV. 28 | 8 | 1200 |
| W2WFB. 19 | 6 | 900 | W8SFG . 6 | 7 | 850 |
| W2CBR. 19 | B | 740 | W8RMH. 25 | $\stackrel{8}{8}$ | -0\% |
| K2IFJ...18 | 6 | 745 | WSLPD.. 25 | $\stackrel{8}{8}$ | 750 |
| W2AOC. 18 | 6 | tho | W8DX 25 | $\stackrel{\otimes}{8}$ | 290 |
| W2LHI. . 18 | 7 | 620 | W8SRW . 27 | 7 | ¢50 |
| W2KIR. 18 | 6 | 820 | W888VI..22 | 8 | 225 |
| W2RXG. 17 | B | 675 | W8JWV.22 | 3 | 710 |
| W2PAU. . 16 | 6 | 740 | WEBAX 21 | 8 | 685 |
| W2PCQ. 16 | 5 | 650 | W8WRN. 20 | $\stackrel{3}{3}$ | 670 |
|  |  |  | W8FP | 7 | צ1) 0 |
| W3BGT , . 28 | 8 | 740 | W8ZCV 17 | 7 | 470 |
| W3RUE..25 | ¢ | 950 | W8RWW 17 | 7 | 630 |
| W3KCA. 21 | 7 |  | W边PT... 17 | 6 | B10 |
| W3GKP. 21 | 6 | 800 |  |  |  |
| W3KWL. 19 | 7 | 740 | W9KIRR. 27 | * | 850 |
| W3NKM. 19 | $\times$ | 660 | WGZHL. 25 | 8 | 7611 |
| W31BH. . 19 | 7 | 650 | W9FGC . 24 | $\underset{\sim}{8}$ | 820 |
| W3TDF. 19 | ${ }^{3}$ | 720 | W9EFX. ${ }^{\text {W }}$ | 8 | 725 |
| W3RNC. 18 | 7 | 750 | W91VJ. 23 | $\stackrel{8}{7}$ | 850 |
| W3FPH. 18 | 7 |  | W9BPV. 23 | 7 | 1000 |
| W3LNA.. 16 | 7 | 720 | W9GAB. ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | 7 | 850 |
|  |  |  | W9WOK. 22 | \$ | 861 |
| W4HEK. 29 | $y$ | 1280 | W9UCH. 22 | \$ | 751 |
| W4AO...23 | 7 | 950 | W9UED 22 | 7 | 96io |
| W4MKJ. 20 | 8 | 725 | W9KPS 21 | 7 | 660 |
| W4JCJ .20 | 6 | 660) | VV9MUD. 19 | 7 | 640 |
| W4DWU. 19 | 6 | 675 | W9REM. 19 | 6 | ....... |
| W4JFV. $1 \bigcirc$ | 6 | 8 | WGLF..19 | 6 | $\cdots$ |
| W4OLK. 18 | 6 | 720 | W9ALIJ. 18 | 7 | 800 |
| TV4UMF. 18 | 6 | 600 | W9JCA. 18 | 6 | 720 |
| W4HJQ. 18 | 7 | 650 | W9MBI. 16 | 7 | 660 |
| W4VLA . 17 | 7 | 825 | W9JIY.. 15 | 7 | 560 |
| W4TLV. 16 | 7 | 1000 | W9LEE. 15 | 6 | 780 |
| W4CLY. 15 | 5 | 720 | W9DSP. 15 | 6 | 760 |
| W4WNH. 15 | 7 | 650 | W91)DG. 16 | 6 | 700 |
| W42BU. . 14 | 5 | 800 |  |  |  |
| W4WCB. 14 | 5 | 740 | WØ゙EMS. 27 | 8 | 1175 |
| W4TCR.. 14 | 3 | 720 | WOGUD. 25 | 7 | 1085 |
| W4IKZ .13 | 6 | 720 | WØIHD..25 | 7 | 870 |
| W4SOP. . 13 | 5 | 680 | WOUOP. 18 | 6 |  |
| W4CPZ . 12 | 5 | 650 | WOONQ. 17 | 6 | 1000 |
| W4UDQ. 11 | 5 | 850 | WUINI.. 17 | 5 | $\times 30$ |
| W4MDA. 11 | 8 | 680 | WGOAC. 14 | 5 | 725 |
|  |  |  | WQTJF..13 | 4 | 1 |
| W5RCI . 21 | \% | 925 |  |  |  |
| W5JTI. 19 | + | 1000 | VE3DIR. 26 | 8 | 915 |
| W5EEX. 15 | 7 | 830 | VEinAIR . 25 | $\stackrel{\times}{7}$ | 910 |
| W5AJG. . 14 | 5 | 1280 | VF3BCN 17 | 7 | 790 |
| W5A.BN. 12 | 5 | 780 | $V$ E3SDER. 16 | 7 | 820 |
| W5QNL. 10 | G | 1400 | $\checkmark$ E3SPB. 13 | $B$ | 715 |
| W5VW... 10 | 5 | 1180 | VE2AOK. 12 | 5 | 550 |
| W5SWV. 10 | 3 | 600 | VF3AAQG.11 | 7 | 800 |
| W5MWW 9 | 4 | 570 | VE1QY. 11 | 4 | (1) ${ }^{\text {( }}$ |
| W5ML. . . 9 | ; 3 | 700 | VE7FJ.. | 1. | 365 |

trick in just a shade over one year on 50 Mc . His snecial $50-M c$. certificate No. 16 was issued July 233 rd. There mrobably should be another proud holder of the coveted 50-Mc. WAS award. WดOGW, Lake Elmo, Minn., also submitted 48 cards at almost the same date as WøSMJ, but one of them was not in order. At this writing a replacement had not been received. Like WgSMJ, he had been working on 50 Mc ., unly a little more than a year. He worked 46 of the 48 in 1956 alone!

Late report: WøOGW has now qualified for award No. 17 and WøORE reports No. 48 worked, but not all cards in as yet.

## V.H.F. Callbook

How'd you like to have the operator's name, address, telephone number, and principal operating frequencies, power and antenna polarization of active v.h.f. stations throughout the world? It would be mighty handy reference information for v.h.f. DX men, cross-country travellers and many others. Such a file compiled by W6SBZ is available in printed form, through the cooperation of the Two (Continued on page 150)

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## How:

September again! Cool lengthening nights, receding noise levels, crisply clearer DX signals, our annual fall gamut of overseas DX contests . . . but, for our younger colleagues, it's back io (ugh!) books and elassroom discipline. And that isn't all.

Our 1956 summer semester in Amateur Radio Geography II now concluded, it is with pleasure that we accept Prof. D.X. Bugg's offer to give his final exam via QST. Old-timers doubtless will breeze right through the following quiz but sprier fry may find it a challenge. It's a closed-map shrouded-globe test. Questions 1 through 14 rate tive points apiece; each of Question 15's ten parts is worth three points. So, VK1 for the money, ZB2 for the show, VR3 to get ready, and AC4 to $g o$ :

## DX Geoquiz

1) It's farther from Seattle to Miami than from (a) $G$ to VK6, (b) W7 to UAø, (c) JA to LU, (d) W5 to KH6.
2) The U.S. 2nd, 3rd, 8th, 9th and 10th call areas (a) are bounded by rivers, (b) are full of lids, (c) border on the Great Lakes, (d) lie entirely north of the Mason-Dixon Line.
3) In order from east to west, the Guianas of South America are (a) VP3-PZ1-FY7, (b) PZ1-VP3-FY7, (c) 6J5-6V6-807, (d) FY7-PZ1-VP3.
4) Pakistan lies roughly adjacent to India's (a) eastern border, (b) western border, (c) eastern and western borders, (d) southern tip.
5) Toward WAC, which of these prefixes might count for South America? (a) VP4, (b) VP5, (c) KN2, (d) PJ2, (e) FM7.
6) Similarly, which of these prefixes might count for Asia? (a) UD6, (b) KG6, (c) FB8. (d) UH8, (e) VK1.
7) Mexico lies due south from (a) Los Angeles, (b) Chicago, (c) San Diego, (d) Betelgeuse, (e) Pittsburgh.
8) Little Diomede (U. S.) and Big Diomede (U. S. S. R.) two populated islands in the Bering Strait, put KL7 and UA0 (a) 0.2 , (b) 2 , (c) 20 , (d) 200 , miles apart.
9) Gilbert is to Ellice as is (a) Abyssinia to Ethiopia, (b) 'Tonga to Friendly, (c) Turks to Caicos, (d) Mantle to Stengel, (e) Tokelau to Union.
10) Bermuda is one of the (a) Greater Antilles, (b) Lesser Antilles, (c) British West Indies, (d) none of the preceding.
11) About a dozen DXCC countries lie partially or totally within the Arctic Circle; how many likewise within the Antarctic Circle? (a) 1, (b) 3, (c) 6, (d) 12, (e) 13.
12) In order of greatest-to-least area, arrange the islands upon which operate (a) FB8BC, (b) OX3KW, (c) CM2SW, (d) 4S7NG. (e) BV1US.
13) I5, VQ4, OQ and FQ8 have something in common in that all four areas are (a) in one time zone, (b) counties in Texas, (c) transversed by the equator, (d) nearly equal in area, (e) Betelgeuse.
14) FU8 is to FJ1 as is (a) CN2 to KT1, (b) HH to HI, (c) FS7 to PJ2M, (d) HST to FDR, (e) DM to DJ/DL
15) Correlate each of the following capital cities with one of the accompanying prefixes:

[^16](A) Tegucigalpa...(a) YK (Fr) Vilna.........(f) HR
(G) Sans .........(g)
(b) AC5
(G) Sana.
(g) YI
(C) Punakha.
(c) VU7
(H) Ulan Bator..
(h) JY
(D) Baghdad.
.(d) UP2
(I) Damascus
(E) Katmandu....(e) HE (.I) Vaduz........( $j$ ) UAø
. (i) 4 WI
'The most-correct answers (we hope) are keyed on page 148. A perfect score wins you a genuine cadmium-plated 32 -volt betelgeuse -- supply very limited.

## What:

Traditionally, September always marks the beginning of another "radio season" in W/K/VE latitudes. Summer's unerous atmospherics and absorptions retreat suuthward with the sun, and the autumnal equinox coincides with a pronounced propagational shake-out. Almost overnight our $28-$ and $21-\mathrm{Mc}$. bands become 1)X cornucopias, and almost overday our 7 - and 3.5 Mc . ranges take on a delicious transoceanic Havor. Cet good solid grips on your dial knobs, your keys and you: mikes, men. The ' $56-$ ' 57 season, officially predicted as the hottest in years, is at hand!
Our heaviest "How's" season, too, is at hand. Bear in mind that in the text to follow, frequencies (in number of kc. above the lower band limit) appear within parentheses, times without. E.g., $(9)=14,009 \mathrm{kc}$. if the paragraph treats 20 -meter work. Times are GMT, using the nearest whole-hour figure, such as 7 for 0720 , or 0 for 2349 As a space-conserving rule each DX call is mentioned but once per band.
20 c.w., whose DX supremacy will be threatened by 15 and 10 in future weeks, is still top dos in late summer. The Russians vivify the DX scene almost around the clock and, having sated their appetites for the more common U species, Yank DX men dig into the lower strata in hopes of unearthing UL78, UM8s and Fridtjof Nansen Land UA1s.-...- K2GMO has worked 200 countries in the past eighteen months. Bob's latest: FE8AE (110) 1 , KR6LJ (75) 14, KX6AF (50) 15, KW6CD (40) 12, SVgWN (7) 1 of Crete, UD6KAB (22) 2, UF6s FB (72) 2-3, KAF (38) 3. UJ8AF (74) 3, VK9XK (85) 13, VQ8AG (15) 12 , VSs 1 (iX ( 82 ) 13, 2CR (21) 12, YA1AM (48) 3, YJIRF
 mentions CR6CK 15, KG6IG (50) 12, $\dot{K} \bar{V} \dot{A} \dot{A} \dot{A}$ (80) $23-1$, VK9TW 14, VQ6LQ (65) 14, VR3B (45) 4, VS1s C Z H HC 14-15 and ZS3VC 15 contacts and decries overzealous CQ DXing by unrare North Americans ......- W2HMJ,

absent from our Bandwagon for some time, roars back with AP2RH (30) 1, EA9DF (76) 23, EL12C (55) 22, FB8BX (88) 3, JAs 5 AI 8AA 12-13, KB6BA (72) 7, KR6QW (57) 10. LZIKSI (48) 1. SM1BVQ (37) 23 on WAE Gotland Isle, YL UAIQT (100) 4, UA9R CM DV VA, UAOB AB AG all $23-2$, UCi2AA (80) $22^{\prime \prime}$, a UJ8, UP2KBC (43) 0, UQ2AE ( 28 T6) 4, VO3CF (87) 11, VS9AS (99) 3, VU2s BK (58) ii. JJ (93) 11, VR3 and YJ1 for an impressive $230 / 220$ tally . -.- - "The advent of Us surely upset what looked like a quict summer. I've never heard such a mob of howling W/Ks this time of year!" So saying, K2BZT rattles off GC3EML (68) 23, GD3HQR (38) 19 , HHs 2W 3DL $1-3$ H H8FR (188) 1 , I5RAM (40) 23, OY1R (28) 2 VK9AU (32) 12, YI2OT (50) 5, ZC4s GT (80) 5, TB (90) 1, 3V8AR (80) 1. 4X4s CJ (28) 5 , DF (15) 1, GV (29) 3, HK (87) 1 and elusive ET3AF (60) 5. Hayden's separate listing of U.S.S.R. contacts reads like Pravda: UA9s DB DN KYB, UC2KAB, UD6BM, UG6AG, UI8KAA (72) 5 ; UO5KAA (40) 21, UP2AC, UO2s AH AS. UR2AK, et al CR98 AH (48) 14, Aí (62) 15 , DU3DO (6'2) 9 FK8.AE (35) 9 , KG6GC ( 60 ) 8, UADKJA (41) 15 and ZD9AE (54) 14 fell prey to K6DNH. .-. K2KDW $/ 2$ savored HP1EH (1) 3 , SU1IC (58) $23, \mathrm{ZB} 1 \mathrm{~B} \cdot \mathrm{CH} \mathrm{ZR} 22 \cdots 3$, ZB2R (25) 23 and ZC4FH (40) 21.2. ZD6BX denotes QSOs with AC5PN (91) 15, BV1US (45) 13 , FB8s BI (45) 12 on Jıan de Nova Island, BR (5) 13, HZ1HZ (42) 15 , I5REX 12, KW6CA (78) 13. ©Y7ML 20 ) UD6AL, UH8KAA,'UN1AA 18, UO5KBR 19, UR2KAA, VK9B LB KM (58) 12-15, 3W8AA 19 still on the FCC-ITU no-no list and 4S7EM (81) 11.-.-CR6AI (43) 0, FQ8AY (78) 1. SP1KAA: SVOWT (12) 23 , YJ1AA (91) 4 and ZB2I (58) 0 highlight W5JPC's collection .......-W8YIN managed OY5S (22) 7, a variety of UAs plus UA9DA (68) 2, UB5DU, VO8CB (102) 14 and VS6CG, pushing his countries total to a healthy 203. "All Russians contacted at 1330-1630 but they are heard at all hours of the day." EA6AW, F9RY/FC, LZZ1KDP, OD5LX, SP6BZ. UB5KBB and 4X4IO pushed W3WPG up to 104/93 W6RLP's 4100 watts and pround-plane caught a BVi1, HK3PC, KG1AG (73), KJ6BN, KX6NC (57), KR6RR (67). UA1KAE (48) at a Russian antarctic base (Pt. Mirny), UB5UB (50), VSs 1HE (82), 6CO (58) and 6DE (100)51 countries in thirty days...... ... It's a fast 100/81 for W9FGX. Bruce collected HA 5 B AP GG, I1BNU/Trieste, KG6AFT, KT1UX, TF2WBG, VR2BA, ZE5JA and 3V8AN to help things along.-. Brief browsinks from points hither and yon, first TVANU: CN2AY, UB5WF. ITSTYW: LZ1 OD5 $4 \mathrm{X4}$, SP6BY. W4HKJ: DU6IV. SP8CR, UB5CJ, W4PVD: FK8AO (84) 6, FO8AO (74) 5. W'5GAI: CN8AF, IT1TAI, JAs 5GE 6HK, VQ5GC (30) 13. W5.IPC:' heard weirdies FY7YY/FY and TIIYR/MM. WGHPB: JA6AA, VS1 VS2. IFGRZS: BV1, a Chichi Jima KG6. UADs OM KBE, VS1s. VS6CT and 200th JA station (JA $9 B R$ ). WGSUQ: CR16AA (85) 12-13, an untarctican UA1. VK 9 TW of Nauru (VP2VB/P). KGEBH: VR3 UA日, VS1EE, JAs in yuantity. W7DJU: HA5KBK, KA2KS, KG1AR, VS1HA, heard C2BC working JAs (Red China?). W\&NOH: shipboard "XE5JJ", heard one CEMSS 19 . AP $P R H$ : VU2s AL AM. DDL4C: AP2U 18, M1B 14, VS1HB 17 , YN1KK 5-6. IIER: XE1MJ. KLYBPK: XE2LA. KIT $6 C D$ : KV4BK, PJ28 AN AV, UA6UI, VU2s AS HF RA RM, YS1O, ZD6BX (8) 5, plus ponderable LUøAC. TE $5 H R$ : VSiIIJ West Gulf DX Club's DX Bulletin, No. Calif. DX Club's DXer and Milwaukee Radio Amateur Club's DX Notes

dwell upon $14-\mathrm{Mc}$. code items AC3SQ (96) 14, CEGAC (175) 7, CT3AB (40) 1-2. DU9VL, EAB 6AM (15) 5-6. 8BF (40) 7 , ET2US (25) 14, FB8ZZ (28) 3, FF8BT (4) $2:$ FG7XC (35) 22, FL8AB (38) 21, FO8AK (50) 6, FR7ZC (84) 2 , GD3UB (80) 23 , KB6BC (39) 13, KC4USA, KG1BF, KM6FAA (102) 7. KR6SC (36) 13. MP4s KAC (i64) 2 QAH (25) 13, ODSI, J (63) 21, PZ1AN, SVGs FY WL WS. TG9CR (74) 16, UJ8KAA, UL7s AB KBK (25) 13, VK 1s GA (86) 11, RM (58) 12-13, VP8BY (72) 14 , VOs 2GW (50) $14,4 \mathrm{FM} 4 \mathrm{FV}, 5 \mathrm{BM}$ (63) $7-8$, VSs 1 GR (55) 14 . 2 DZ (85) 15. 2 FB (95) $15,2 \mathrm{FD}(80) 14,5 \mathrm{NN}$ (43) $1,6 \mathrm{DI}$ (95) 13. XZ2OM (4) 11, YI2AM (92) 14, YK1AK (113) 5 , ZBs $1 Z Y$ (42) 4, 2T (23) 3, ZC48 AH GT JJ, ZC5SF (35) 15-16. ZD2BP (64) 2, ZD3s A BFC, ZD6BR (78) 13, ZE3JO (VQ1JO) (30) 13, ZM6AS (90) 7, ZP9AY (88) 12, ZSs 2 MI ( 78 ) $14,3 \mathrm{Q}$ (65) $15,7 \mathrm{C}$ ( 50 ) 13, 7 H ( 83 ) 17 , 3A2GG (28) $5,3 \mathrm{~V} 8 \mathrm{FA}(6) 23,4 \mathrm{~S}^{2} 7 \mathrm{~B}$ AM PT'YL $14-15,4 \mathrm{X} 4 \mathrm{~B} \mathrm{BK}$ BT BX FK FQ GS GU IO all 24 , 9 S 4 B BN (40), BS (50) 15-18 and dozens of garden-variety U.S.S.R. entries.

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phone, at the intersection of Kilowatt Allev and BVIUS (163) 14, CR7CO (185) 14, DU18 OV 15, VV' 185) 14, JA6HK 15, KAs 2 FC 2 KC 2LZ 2 NA 2 WK 5 CL HH all 13-15, KR6AD 13. KX6BU (290) 14, VSs 1 CZ (170) 14 and 6 AE 14 were pedestrians overrun

Neighbor K6DNH preferred the same Formosan, $-\dot{H} \bar{C} \dot{G} \overline{\mathrm{I}}$ 140) 3. Pitcairn's VR6AC (143) 5, VS1 VS6. VS2DW (169) 14, XZ2AD (145) 14, YS1MS (195) 19 and ZK1BL (130) ․-.-- A modest 120 watts carried K2CJN to a phoneonly record of $155 / 141$. Steve's most recent successes in:lude Sao Thome's CR5SP (140) 6, KC4USA (290 8.8.b.), KJ6BM, KM6s AX FAA (220), KX6s AF BP, KP6AK, HA5AP, LZ2KN. MP4KDS, SU1AS (137) 4, UB5WF, UQ2AN (113) 13, VK1IJ (130). YK1AC (125) 3, YOB $3 V A$ 3VI, ZC4AH and ZM6AS. Russian phones heard but not yet, worked are UA3CR, UC2KAB, UB5KAA and UR2KAA. .... VE5HR gave a rather rare North American prefix to DU7SV (196) 14, UA4FJ, VR3D, ZK1BS and ZM6AT . . . . - AP2BP (315) 1 and VQ4EO (295) exchanged s.s.b. salutes with K2GMO......- Here and there, at IF $2 D M J: K A 8 W K$, KH6ABH on French Frigate Shoals. K $2 B Z T$ : EA6AR 5. HI6EC 21 . M1B 2. W $W B Z R$ : ET2US, HH2Y, KG6NAA. YN1ARMI. T4HRJ: KH6BBY/KW6, 4 S 7 YL (105) 12 . 1 FJPC: KC6UZ (230) 3. DL4ZC: HR3HH (170) 6, VP1OLY 6. KLYBPK: snowman VE8RW (220).....- International Short Wave League, Newark News Radio Club, WGDXC, NCDXC and MRAC sources direct our 20 -meter phone attention to AP2U (140) 15, CPs 4DM 5AD, CRs 6AJ (160) 6, 6AU (100), $6 \mathrm{BH} 9 \mathrm{AH}(190)$, CT3AN (135), DUIAP, EAs 6 AM (135)' $3,6 \mathrm{AS}(123) 2,8 \mathrm{AI} 8 \mathrm{BB}$ ( 160 ), 8 BC ( 180 ) $17,9 \mathrm{AY}$ 9AZ 9BC, F9RY/FC, FB8s BC (115) 4, $2 Z$ (132) 13 , FF8AP (116) 17, FM7 ${ }^{2}$ WF WN WS. FO8AB, FP8AP 182), FU8AC, GD3UB, HA5KBA, HI8FR (171), HRs 2WC (8.s.b.), 4 WA, HZ1AB, I1RC/Trieste, IS18 BV (150), EHM ZPG, IT1 is BXX ZGY (176) 6, JA4BB, KA9JG. K4AMV/KS4, K6KNY/KW6, KC4USV (280) on sideband. KC6CG, KGB 4 AA 6 AFT 6 FAE (265), 6 GX $61 G$ of the Bonins, KX6s BT NC, KV4BB, LXIDA (115) 3 . $1 Z_{1 K S I}(250)$, MP4s BBW KAC, OD5s AB (120), AU BO (165). CY DA, OO5PE, OX38 CP KW, OY2Z, PZ1AD, SP5CC (150). ST2DB, SV 6 WS . TA3US' (198). UAs 1 BE $2 \mathrm{KAW} 6 \mathrm{KAH}, \mathrm{UC2AA}, \mathrm{UO} 5 \mathrm{KBR}, \mathrm{UP} 2 \mathrm{~B}$ KAB (118) 3. KBC, VK98 BW DB (170), RH (145) of Norfolk Is ${ }^{2}$, RMI WG WP (208), VPB 1EK 1ML 1 PS 2DA 2KM 5MS' $5 R R$

Briefly off the air for a bit of birdie-watching, VQ5GC poses overlooking the Uganda shores of Lake Victoria. Neville's layout fcatures that Super Pro and the $150-$ watter to its right. A Vee beam, angled toward the I.S.A. and Europe, does the radiating. VQ5GC contemplates a DXpedition to the Seychelles and hopes to be signing VOQ hefore this year is out. You may have worked Neville previously as VS6AC, VS6CE, VQ4CC. and G3IAD.



As we've observed before, the JA gang takes no back seat among the world's ham technicians. Right now lapanese DXperimenters meet the challenge of s.s.b. with typical homebrew attack, i Mc. preferred. The side-band signal of Tokyo's JAlAGU (standing), familiar to West Coast early risers on 40 , is generated by the exciter unit on the table just to the left of the mike. The 813 s near the top of the rack are good for 600 watts, and those 810 s halfway un dispense plenty of audio when a.m. is desired. That's a 16 -tube double-con superhet just to the right of the microphone, also homegrown (of course!). JA1AEA, in the picture, at the left, has an $807 \mathrm{~s} \mathbf{c} \mathbf{c} . \mathrm{w} .-\mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. rig on 3.5 through 28 Me., plus an 807s linear final and exciter for s.s.b. on 40. Like JAlAGU, he has a 16 -tube inhaler to round out a neat self-constructed installation.
(Photos via K'6DV)
of Turks, 7NZ, VQs 2UT (105), 5GC 6LQ (145), VR2s AA BZ, VSs 1GR 2CR 2 DO 4 BO (160) 15, XW8AC (100), XZ2s AD (155) 16, KN. YO3GM. YI2AM (190) 2, YS1O, ZB1CA, ZC48 AH KB, ZD8 4BF 8SC, ZK18 BG BL (120) ĥ, ZP5s CF .TP, 3V8s AS BA BB BF BL, 4X4DR, 5As 1TA 1TZ 2TR 2TZ 3TY 4TX, 9S4s AX (120) 5 and BN. Note that U.B.S.R. entries become less mike-shy day by day.
15 phone DX uction, nuw on the upswing, reached low ebb in early August. W9WHM deleted INNU/Trieste (200). KM6AX (300), MP4KAC (190), TF3MB (205), UO2AN (190). VR2BC (257), VU2JP (240), YU3.JN (253). 4X4s BL and $\mathrm{FF}^{\prime}$ (210) from his stalk list.-- CR9AH, JA1ANG, KA2KS, KR6AF, KV4BD, KX6ZB, VP5MS YN1KK, ZP5KA and several ZLs clicked with W6ZZ KOBZT: Miscellaneous DXcernts, 21-Mc. A3 luck at JD JR. W4YOK: CN8HO, VPs 10LY 5RR on Turks. K4DAP: YN1BW. K4DRO'HG1ARE. WSGAT:HR2MC. H7PEG: HR3HH/9. W8YIN: KR6PI (190) 17-18. DL\{ZC: VPs 6AM 7NF $-\cdots$ CRs 6AH 6AJ 7CO 7CR 9AI, CT3AN, DUs IIV 6IV, EAs 8BO 9AR 9EE, ELs 2D $2 \mathrm{~F}^{\prime}$ iøA 12H, ET2s FM PA, GD2FRV, HI6EC, FB8BZ. FF8s AK AP BC BP FP, FQ8AK, JA1CO, KGs 1 HR 6FAE, KR6s RB QV, KX6BU, KW6CA. LZs 1 KST 2KAC $2 K S P$ MP4s BBW KK, OD5BN, OO5B AG AR EG BQ BU ĠP GY PU. ST2DB, SVB 1AD 6FP (211) $2 \because$. 4WE ØWK 0WN ØWO, VPs 1JH 8BP 8BS, VQs 2SB 3DQ 4DS 4FA 4LA 5EK 5GC, VSs 1 EB 1 FE 2 DB 2DS, VU2s JP RC RX, ZBs 1AJX 1AY 2P, ZDs 2.JHP 3BFC 4AB 4 AE 4 BO 8 SC (128), 9AE. ZPs 5AM 5CF 5IB 5JE 5JP 4AY, ZSs 3BE 3G 7C 7H 9C $\dot{x}$, 4S7s FG MG YL, 4X48 BO 1) $K$ DR IE. 5 As 1TA ( 220 ) $15-16$, 3TV and $9 S 4 A X$ are 15-meter radiotelephones reported available by ISWL, NNRC and WGDXC dial manipulators.
15 c.w., with its theoretical $17-\mathrm{db}$. advantage over the vocal attack, appears more receptive to summer DX hounds. W'ANU's new DX-100 captured GD3FXN 21, SP1KAA (48) 17, VP1SD (100) 22, ZB1CN (81) 22. ZP5HX (125) 0 and 4X4IE (19) 20 I.Z1KBD 15, SP5KAB 18, UC2KAB 15-16, VP6DGं and VS6AE 14-15 worked ZD6RX..... LL4ZC has QSLs en route ET3AF 16, JA9BE 17. S'V̄Wं 17 of Rhodes and VO2GR - $-\overline{-} \dot{F}$ Epistolary epitomizing, first W1CTW: KB6BA, UंABBF, 4X4BD. K\&BZT: IZ1KPZ. KZFNO: DM2ABB, SVøWV. W9BBO: KV4BK, SP8CK, VU2EK. W4YOK: ELi2F, VO4RF. K゙4DAP: CR6AI, EL SP. Á4DRO: YL I1CWK, VP2GN. W'6HPB: HC1ARE. U'GU多: HA5BW. K'EBBH: OK1MB. K'JTG: KA2MA KG1KK, KX6NC, VR2CV. H8AY'S: UC2, YO3LM, ZB1AY, ZPACR. W8YIN: VS6DI (37) 15, WOFNX: ZL4ME. $11 / R 2:$ JA8AQ, VSIGV, KLYBPK: KG44K (20)....-NCDXC and WGDXC recommend GR9AH (50) 14, OD5AV (37) 23 , UA@KQB (65) 14, UH8KAA (¿5) 14, UB5UB (75) 4, VO4EO (28) 15, VSIGZ (36) 17-18,

VU2HF (60) 13. YN4IIA (80) 20, ZC3AC, ZD4s BF (98 16, BQ (69) $18,4 \mathrm{S7s}$ AM ( 60 ) $13, \mathrm{MR}$ (30) 13 and 4 X 4 C .J (78) $4 . \ldots-$ Our Novice friends had tough going during the past month but September should bring them 21-Mc. cheer. Successes here and there, at $K N 4 E J R$ : ZB2I, 41 countries on 5 continents. $K N 4 I F B: K V 4 B K$ on 10 watts. WN8EFZ: OH5OT, VO5GC. WN8GEL: WH6BTH, WP4AFH, KV4. KN $O C E R$ : KB6BA. One other Novice named Rod reported QSOs with WL7BUS and UA9KAT but omitted his call sign.

40c.w. is a mere shadow of its former self but the new season is just commencing. K4CQA held out for CT2BO (1) and HH2Y (2). Henry advises to send no French to the latter unless you're prepared for a full lesson in the lingo..... At this shack and that, first W2OL $U$ : IT1AGA. OABEEE (30) who clouds his status with "Do not QSL yet." K\&PRR: KH6BHZ, heard FG7XB. K6ILB: KJ6BN 10) 8. W7QNI: heard UAOTAR. U' $2 Z Y D$ : hears W6s after UL7KK. K9AUB: KM6FAA $1213 \ldots$ Novicewise, KN6RGO/6, KNpCER and KNgEOV respectively worked WH6BUA, WP4AEF and WH6BTW around 7160 kc .
10 phone treated W8YIN to KB6BC (625) and helped W6SUQ to his first Peruvian, OA4EP (606) W1ANU tried the north-south summer path for MIM $\overline{\mathrm{D}} \overline{\mathrm{L}}$ (1000) 18, PJ2AF 23 and then hopped the pond for CN8FK 19. DL7AH credits PY1HQ with the most consistent bouth American signal on 28 Mc . --.- - The NNRC and ISWL contingent, mostly tuning north-south paths, alert us for 10 -meter radiotelephones AP2BP, CRs $5 A C$ 6AH 6AO 6BH 7AO 7CO, CS3AA, CT2AG, EA8CA, EL2D, ETs 2AB 2F'M 2MZ 3PE, GC3EML, GD3ENK. KA2NA, KG4s AA AV, LX1s DC JW, MP4s BBW KAC KK, OD5s AC AV, OO5s AA AO BI BJ BK BY FV, PJ2, AA AB SVOVE VPs 1EE 1EK 1SD 3HAG 5RR 7BD, VOs 2AT 2DT 2JW 2RH 4AQ 4EU 4RF, VSs 1 FE 1 FP 2 EZ VU2s EJI EZ, ZDS 3BFC 4BK 8SC, ZM6AT, ZP5s CQ CR, ZS3B, 4S7WM, 4X4BR and 5A3TN.
80 c.w., by rights, shouldn't even have its foot in the door among this month's reports. But DX is where you find it. W8NOH and friends, pushing traffic on 3530 kc ., found themselves working one YV5CAA A note from F7AQ further justifies this paragraph: " $\overline{\mathrm{Pa}}$ - - o to the East Coast boys that we sat here in France all last winter and listened to them yak away on 75 phone and never worked a one. We can only operate on 80 from 3500 to 3800 kc . with an input of 50 watts. There were, for instance, eight $\mathrm{F}^{\prime \prime} 7 \mathrm{~s}$ in one roundtable on 3715 last night. Please try to get them to look below 3.8 Mc . for us as soon as the frost is on the pumpkin this fall!"

## Where:

VR3D, QRT after some 900 Fanning Island contacts, vows 100 per cent exil in due course. "At this time it is
impossible to say whether or not I will be returning to VR3 .--... ecrtainly not in the immediate future.".-. - .- Write ST2NG to W8ULZ: "I have no ST2 cards at the moment and am not printing any until we determine our new prefix. This may be '9A7' or such because ST is an Egyptian
 Qrefix. envelopes must accompany incoming QSLs - - ;, - - Puzzled by those new CE8s and CE9s? See "Whence", -.... "I operated VP7BG from May 13th to June 23, 1956. and wound up with 34 states, 43 countries and 170 QSOs. Expect to be on the air as a VP2 shortly and will be there for several months. All my VP7 QSOs will be QSLd direct soon." This from wandering WITBS who also bemoans the general lack of consideration given his directional CQs on $20 .=\cdots \cdot$ - "From the point of view of foreign hams who might not have up-to-date Call Books. would it be possible to give the full QTHs of stations handling rare DX cards iustead of just running their calls?'" ZS6FN raises a good point but, so far as the majority of "How's" readers is concerned, duplicating addresses already in the Call Book is space-wasting superfluity. For those harried by ZS6FN's problem we suggest QSOs with W/Es who will be glad to sunply the necessary information ..... "DL7AH is unable to send or answer QSLs direct unless IRCs accompany the cards." Writing thus, Harry points out that merely purchasing QSLs for his 500-plus 1956 ARRL DX Test QSOs is, by itself, a heavy order . .... - From VQ4EG to VE5s DR and HR on the subject of one VQ4QQ: "Sorry, OMs, but the only double-letter calls here now are VQ4s AA BB CC DD and FF. VQ4QQ was a notorious pirate who also used II JJ and PP suffixes." The italics are VQ4EG's - :- More bad news: "I am sorry to tell you that VU5B $\dot{C}$ is a pirate. To date there are no VU5s. There are hundreds of cards for VU5BC from W/K boys just collecting in the QSL bureau at this end." That's the official verdict from VU2BK in lines to W8DLZ . ..... - Re the individual addresses to follow, bear in mind that in no case are they necessarily oflicial, nor can we kuarantee their accuracy. W18 ICP UED WPO YNP YYM ZDP, W2s MMJ HMJ OLU, K2s ENO PIC. W3TYW, W4YOK, W5JPC, W6s RLP SWE, K6MHT' W7PEG, 'W8s NOH YIN, W6QGI, DL4ZC, TG9AD, ZD6BX, K. Sketheway, ISWL, NCDXC, NNRC, WIA and WGDXC contribute:
CN8JD Box 30, Navy 214, FPO, New York, N. Y.
CN8JR Box 40, Navy 214, FPO, New York, N. Y.
DL4YK E. F. Diehl, jr., 7680th Ordinance Co., APO 19, New York, N. Y.
DLgUU (via DL6EN).
ELIFI/MM (via ARI).
ET3AF (via SSA).
ET3AH (via RSGB).
F9RY/FC P. O. Box 30, Bastia, Corsica.
FE8AE M. Veber, Box 408, Douala, French Cameroons.
FF8BT, Box 971 , Dakar, French West Africa.
FG7XG, P. Antenor, Kaizet Airport, Guadeloupe, F.W.I. FY7YY (via FY7YA).
HB1OO/VS ( to HB9QO)
HC1ARE (to ARE).
HC6KI, L. Ramano, P. O. Box 104, Ambato, Ecuador.
HH2Y, Box 428, Port-au-Prince. Haiti
ex-KB6ILT-K6ILT-KA1RW-XU8RW (to WのFUA)
KH6BBY/KW6, c'o CAA, Wake Island. ex-KL7AOL (to W8IZS).
KP4CGA, USCG, APO 845, New York, N. Y.
KX6BT, APO 187, San Francisco, Calif.
LA9PA; P, M. Tilley, Tafjord Radio, Spitzbergen (or via NRRL).
LZIKSA, Box 547, Sofia, Bulgaria.
MP4KDS, B. Khantrounti, Ariliban, Kuwait.
OA1M, R. Hislop, c/o International Petroleum, Talara, Peru.
OD5BC, Box 2559, Beirut, Lebanon.
SM5KV, Spitzbergen (via SSA)
UA1KAE, U.S.S.R. Antarctic Base (via Box 88, Moscow).
UP2HW, S. Uzdavinys, Str. 'Tvirtoves Nr. 6, Kaunas, Lithuanian S.S.R.
VK1AIL, K. L. Finney, Box 59, Kingston, Australia.
VK1ATR (via VK1AIL).
VK1GU (to VK2GU).
ex-VK9GR (to VK3ARN).
ex-VK9KG (to VK4KC).
VK9SD, S. D. Sutherland, Box 56. Port Moresby, P.T.
VP5MS (to R. M. Schweppe, KgEXN, RR 2, Webster City, Iowa).
P6RV (via RSGB)
ex-VP7BG Fred Perkins, PAA/RCA, St. Lucia AAFB, via Patrick AFB, Florida.
VP8BT, O. Connochi, Base F, Argentine Island, c/o P. O., Port Stanley, Falklands.
VQ2GR, c/o Rhodesia Railways, Luanshya, No. Rhodesia. VR2BA, T. Grantham, Box 201, Nadi Airport. Suva, Fiji. VU2HW, H. Glocker, 3 Hayes Rd. Cross, Bangalore, India. VU2RT, P. Padmanabha, Box 2487, Calcutta, India.
YN1HF, H. Fowler, U.S. Embassy, Managua, Nicaragua.
ZB1ZY, L/Cpl. Larsonson, COMCAN, Sig. Sqdn., Zokor, BFPO 51, Malta.
ZC4GT, B. Couchinan, Box 216, Famagusta, Cyprus.


ZM6AS supplics W'estern Samoa QSOs to I)X addicts with a recently completed Ranger kit and NC-98 on 20,15 and 10 phone, with a little 20 c.w. thrown in. He's scheduled to hecome a ZLL around the end of this month.

ZC4TB, Cpl. Blake, 1st Rn. Par. Regt., BFPO 60, Nicosia, Cyprus.
ex-ZC5C'ர, 15 Western Rd.. Brentwood, Essex. Engiand.
ZD6BR, P. Scales, cio P. O.. Zomba. Nyasaland
ZEGJT, D. Harris, 30 Stanley Ave., Salisbury, Do. Rhodesia. ZS2MI, Secretary of Transportation, Private Bag 193. Pretoria, So. Africa.
4S7AM, A. Sicott. P. O. Box 985, Colombo, Ceylon.
4S7EM (via RSGB).
5A1TA, W. L. Schultz, P. O. Box 372, Tripoli, Libya.
Your attention is directed to the "Stray" on page 66 of last month's QS'I'. Those International Reply Postcards may be just what you've been looking for. If you do give em a try let us know how the rare-DX angle pans out -. do they bring home the bacon?

## Whence:

Asia - Strong cup of tea served up by AP2RH: "One point I'd like to make very clear about this dollar a sked racket - I'm against it. I've received a few cards enclosing bucks, and also have had offers of magazine subscriptions 'for my trouble' in fixing skeds. I'd like to make it known that I'm a ham for the iun of the game and for the real pleasure I get from it. This dollar-per-schedule business gets my gall - a guy could make a living of it that way. I'm quite certain that the chaps who have the true spirit of ham rudio at heart must be against it, too. I don't feel I want to 'cash in' just because I'm lucky enough to have a rare call: I'm just as happy to give a guy his first AP2 QSO as he himself is to get it. This financing a guy for a 'rare I. Xpedition' isn't my cup of tea, either. If a guy has the right spirit and can afford it he'll finance himself for his expedition and get a real kick out of doing it. . . . Don't let's commercialize the game as far as rare DX goes. I'm busy, myself, on 14,024 kc., giving the guys their first AP2 QSOs, a thing which I consider it my duty to do for the ham world in general." Ray replaces his 25 -watter with a 500 -watt affair loaned by inactive AP2A ...-.- VU2BK switches location from Poona to Wellington in South India's Nilgiri Hills, home of sandalwood and more tea. In a letter to W8DLZ Kab mentions all-out attempts to stir up VU5 activity .... - . W1WPO notes that W2TWC gave XZ2OM his first Yank QSO on $21 \mathrm{Mc} . . . . .$. W3WPG's tug on the grapevine produced interesting reports on 14 -Mc. Manchu-「ian AC@AA - -- Club Asianisms, from WGDXC. VSIGV may sign ŻC 5 for a year or so. . . KA7HH ponders KA $\emptyset$ I)Xpeditionary possibilities. . .MP4s BBL BBW BBX KAB and KAC maintain a juicy Persian Gulf network Fridays on 40 meters. MP4s BBF QAP and TAA close down, but TAA's call may be used by a replacement when gear comes to hand. MP4BBL sports a new threeband beam. NCDXC: VS1HC and 4 S 7 MR , both attempting VU5 DXcursions, were foiled by licensing taboos and red tape ....-.- W7PHO has KG6IG's Bonins routine, mostly week ends, as 1100-1200 on 14,050 kc., 1200-1300 on 7175 kc . (c.w.) : and $0800-1000$ on $14,240 \mathrm{kc}$. (phone), times GMT. The station runs 700 watts to selectable Vee beams.

Africa - ST2NG paints the DX picture for Sudan in lines to W8DLZ, and Sudanese activity goes like this ST2AC, occasionally active on c.w. and phone; ST2AR. inactive and busy with astronomical pursuits; ST2DB 100-per-cent phone; ST2NG, 100-per-cent c.w.; and ST2TC, inactive (no gear). Lee assures us that ST1s are n.g., all bona fide STs being ST2s without exception. Reckless DX opersting ethics tend to spoil ST2NG's fun but he's holding his own $\cdot \overline{\mathrm{V}} \dot{-}-\mathbf{-}$ W1TBS, recently VP7BG, moves to St Lucia" $\overline{\mathrm{Y}} \dot{\mathrm{P}} \overline{\text { i locale with those tantalizing thoughts: "Really }}$ enjoyed my first try at DX from 'the other end' and am

'There are about a half dozen FM7s who join in epreading the Martinique QSO/QSL wealth and FMTWN is one of the most active. Occasion for this photo was W3VKD's visit during the 1956 ARRL DX Test, an operational $D X$ cursion reconnted as a feature in last month's QST.
seriously thinking of several months each of ZD7 and ZD8 operation during the next couple of years.' Please QSL! ....- W9GTX, ex-EL2C-EL12A, states that most EL stations signing "'MM" do so unofficially . .....-According to WGDXC, VQ6LQ will be visiting the States this fall. particularly concentrating on W5 hamshacks. Also CR5SP, assisted by emcee CR6AI is giving unfamiliar 20 c.w. a try ---- ZD6RM tells ZU6BX he's rigging up a rhombic to go with his 807 s on 15 and 10 phone. 7 D 6 BX meanwhile goes for rarities on 20 c.w. with occasional 15and 40-meter sallies. A rash of Russian QSOs brought Vic up to 141 worked and he's now sweating out his WAS certification from ARRL.- $\cdot-\cdot$ FD4BD writes W6EAY concerning an intended U. S. $\bar{A} \cdot \overline{\text { visit next year. }}$

Oceania - NZART (New Zealand) and WIA (Australia) invite world-wide participation in the 1956 VK/ZL DX Contest to be held (phone) from 1000 GMT, October 6th, to 1000. October 7th; and (c.w.) on October 13th-14th, same hours. The serial exchange is the usual five-digit (A3) or six-digit (A1) figure-RNT001, RSTO02, etc., except that this year everybody starts with 001. Any amateur band (s) can be used. Scoring: One point per contact. earch station to be worked but once per band, this point total to be multiplied by the combined numbers of $\mathrm{VK} / \mathrm{ZL}$ call areas worked on all bands (ZL1 through ZL4; VK1 through VK9, excluding VK8). Logs: For each contact, record the date, GMT, band, call, and serials sent/received in that order, using a separate sheet for each band, and underline each new band-area as worked. Attach a summary sheet bearing total claimed score, a brief station description and a signed declaration that rules have been observed. Entries must be postmarked on or before January 21, 1957, sent to NZART, Box 489, Wellington, N. Z., in order to be eligible for certifications of performance which will be awarded to the highest scorer in each country and in each U.S.A. call area. ZL2GX, NZART contest and awards manager, calls attention to the VK/ZL Test's enhancement of WAP and WAZL award possibilities, as well as WIA's WAVKCA sheepskin. This annual shindig has become a strong TXX tradition and it appears that this year's activity will find ronditions between "Down Under" and North America the best in years.....- If you missed the pitch last month, note here now that VK2s in the Australian Capital Territory (Canberra vicinity) now use the VK1 prefix. W4YOK reports VK1GU, nee VK2GU, creating fruitless riots on 1.5 meters..... KH 6 ABH , on Tern Isle of the French Frigate Shoals some 500 miles from Honolulu, tells W2DMJ that mail arrives but once every three weeks. Frank also finds KJ6BN frantically hunting a WASclinching Vermont QSO as QRT-time approaches......-

Via W3JNN, PA日KOP reports that JZดAG worked over 600 stations on 20 meters through sporadic oth-the-air sessions during the first six months of last year. J $/ \emptyset$ customers probably will continue to be rare owing to political ferment in that part of the world ........VK9s DB and KM raced each other right down to the wire for WAS honors. VK7UW is one guy who loves to work Sixes; he's out to contact all California counties and already has over 30 of the 58. W6RLP learns that Lassen, Nevada and Plumas counties are considered especially rare and delectable
WIA's Amateur Radio lists commercials of over a dozen nations regularly trespassing on amateur 7 -Mc. frequencies aboard ship in Melbourne Harbor as W2AIS/VK3. Pat still gets around! $\qquad$ WGDXC Oceaniagrams: VS4s BU and NW tean to make Sarawak less rare on 20 phone, while VS5AT is new in Brunei. . . CR1gAA runs 10-15 watts to a Windom and receives with a home-built 6 -tube super. 'The former CR10AA is back in Lisbon.

Europe - A brand new activity joins the fall season's round-up of overseas DX contests. Sponsored by RSGB, this one comes off on November 24th-25th. It will feature a "United Kingdom against the world" plot and only the 21 - and $28-\mathrm{Mc}$. bands will be used. This should be a most interesting 36-hour atfiair - see the coming November QS'T
 made a DX visit to Switzerland's Valais canton in late August using 80,40 and $20 \mathrm{c} . \mathrm{w}$. Valais remains one of the more baftling obstacles en route Helvetia-22 diplomas K2ENO reports DI,4XT Statesward-bound. DL4YK (W7AMM, ex-W3UYH) changed QTH in Germany . ..... ( (B3SF'S demonstrated amateur radio at the South Shields (England) Flower Show in August. The transmitter, installed by the South Shiclds \& District Radio Club, was a 50 -watter operated on 3.5 through 28 Mc , and special QSLs go to all contacts. Though (iBs aren't "new ones" they surely draw attention on DX bands! NCDXC is informed by W6DZZ and PA日UN that seven Albanian stations now are licensed. Some calls are ZAs IA 1UB 1 UU and 2CF. They are said to prefer QRP phone in the fashion of native 3A2s (local vocal) but ZAIUB is reported workable around 14.200 kc . $\qquad$ lected $H$, K2BZT colto American certification No. 114, DL47C sixth such issued 1) L 4 ZB and $Y \mathrm{~L}$ DL4ZBD $\cdot$ closed station in favor of return to California where W6KG awaits. Lloyd's DL4 DX record features DXCC, WAS, WAC and eighteen other choice wallpapers from radio societies world wide. The DL4ZC archives account for 199 countries worked - No. 200 just wouldn't come back.
Hereabouts - Old-timer UX gourmets doubtless will recall the sapid signals of K6ILT, KB6ILT, KA1RW and XU8RW in years immediately preceding WW-II. Their proprietor now spanks a solid sender on 80, 40 and 20 from Pineville, in Missouri's Ozarks, under the call WgFUA. In '41 Rod made a fast exit from XU8RW, leaving his kw. and bug behind, arriving Hawaii just in time for Pearl Harbor I ay. Now back among the scenes of his boyhood, exKB6ILT does electrical work, raises harmonics, builds a house and does lots of fishin'. DX? Well, Rod's got more trear a-cookin'. Meanwhile he does considerable listening, breaking silence when prospects of an enjoyable QSO are prident. And when the ham bands are electric and the nights are still, we'll bet one old Navy man recalls other davs when he was rare DX under the palms and stars along the coral strand...-.- $\Lambda R E$ (Ecuador) celebrated its 25 th anniversary by activating HC1ARE on 6 through 80 meters during July. The first amateur contacted on each rontinent won himself a dandy trophy, a miniature of the Ecuadorian Equatorial Monument in silver on a base of native marble, suitably inscribed. ARE also will place it bronze plaque on the monument itself, with the names and call letters of the winners. (That's really putting one's hamming "on record" for posterity!) The site especially selected for HCIARE was exactly on the equator 16 miles from Quito and some 8100 feet a.s.1. .-.-.- Effective July lst Chile's call areas underwent modification. CEI through CE6 remain essentially as hefore but CE7s in (Continued on page 146)

EI5C, a steady performer on DX bands, is manned by Eire Signal Corps personnel at Collins Barracks, Dublin. Seated is Lt. Col. M. Cosgrave, 34 years in the nervice, and standing, I. to r., are operators Capt. J. O'Brien, Capt. 'T. Sheerin (EI9S), Lt. C. Nagle and Sgt. D. Anderson. EI5C transmits with an 813 final, the receiver is an HRO-60, and antennas include a 3 -element rotary for 20 , cubical quad for 10 , Statesidebeamed rhombic for 40, dipole for 80, and ground-planes. Writes Capt. O'Brien: "This station, with Colonel Cosgrave at the key, and with other station personnel feeding him copious draughts of strong tea, racked up a score of some 125,000 points in the recent W/VE DX contest." Good go, OMs!
(Photo via IF8DLZ)

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## Distaff Doings at the Eighth Annual

 ARRL ConventionTake it from a wide-eyed Easterner who was lucky enough to he able to observe in person, the YLs and XYLs who attended the Eighth National ARRL Convention in San Francisco thoroughly enjoyed life July 6th, 7 th, and 8th.

Interest the girls in an event-packed program: exhilarate them with cool, crisp weather; enchant them with a uniquely beautiful city, and the results just have to be superlative. (Of course, a couple of thousand OMs relished the same treatment too.)

Many of the delightful details will be known only by those who were there. We'll try to share the highlights, however.

The Hotel Whitcomb on renowned Market Street provided Convention headquarters. Registration opened at 10:00 A.m. Friday morning, the sixth, and all day hams filled the lobby, greeting old friends and meeting voices heard on the air. An afternoon get-acquainted coffee hour was hostessed by XYLs Mirs. Clayton Bane, Mrs. Elvin Feige, Mrs. Thelma Chirone, Mrs. Arthur Fonseca, and Mrs. Evelyn Zachariah.
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At 7:00 r.m. in nearby Civic Auditorium, where various radio exhibits had already been set-up, the gang convened for the big ARRL meeting. Following addresses by ARRL President Mr. Dosland, General Manager Mr. Budlong, VicePresident Mr. Handy, and several other ARRL and QST staff members, activities for the women shifted back to the Whitcomb. A party for teeuagers only, arranged by Mrs. Roland Smith and the Misses Raymona Buckley and Diane Zachariah, was in lively session. And for those who had outlived their teens and had the mis-or good fortune (depending on how you look at it) of marrying that strange creature, a ham, there was the inauguration of the SWOOP.


Hostess YL club for YL and XYL convention activities was the San Francisco Y'L Club. Members shown here are seated, left to right: WGs PIR, QMO, PGC and KN6RDU. Standing: K6s EEE and IIIW; and W6PCN.

The Suffering Wives of Operators Protectorate was created by Esther Given, W6BDE, and Kay MacGillivray, K6HIW, for the single purpose of helping XYLs find their rightful place in a ham's world and have fun while doing it. Some twohundred and thirty present at the gay ceremony

Left: A Wave Reserve. Ethel Smith, W3MSU, learns about the latest in portable TV equipment from Conrention Military Chairman Jack Detsch, WGGCV, and Sergeant Gouin of the Signal Corps. Ethel, an electronics engineer for the Navy, founded the Young Ladies Radio League in 1939. Center: A few minutes of rag-chewing and Ellen Garner, K6ELA, (left) and Joyce Harrington, KN6OCL, (right) learned they had something in common - five children apicce. Ellen operates 10. 75 , and 160 from Canoga Park, California. Formerly of Shanghai, and now of South San Francisco, Joyce is the XYL of K6JHL. Right: Manning the ARRL booth are Rose Buckley and Cynthia De Launey, W6PHT. Mrs. Buckley, wife of WGGGC, SCM of San Francisco, is Assistant ARRL Director to W6IC. the only XYL serving in that capacity. Cyn is well qualified to talk about ARRL communications activities to booth visitors, for she is an ORS, BPL medallion holder, and member of several traffic nets.



Seated at the head table during the $\mathcal{Y} L$ Operators' luncheon were W5RZJ, Louisa Sando, YL Eiditor of C() magazine; W6PCN, Peggy Detsch, Chairman of Women's Convention Activities; W6i:EE, Vada Letcher, Mistress of Ceremonies; W6NZP, Evelyn Scott; and W'lQON. W'5RZJ reported on the progress whe has made in her special project for the YLRL - the compilation of information about the history of the organization and its membership. Louisa expects to publish the information in book form. W6N'/P recalled meetings with DX LLs during her recent travels to islands of the Pacific and the Orient. WG*PCN and C.EE and WIQON also spoke briefly.
were bestowed with charter member certificates and full power to initiate sister SWOOPS wherever there may be need!

Dancing and special entertainment for all "suffering wives" and weary OMs followed in the Crystal Room; and at the stroke of midnight numbers of them slipped away to participate in the mysterious Wouff Hong ritual.

Early Saturday morning the girls were up for more. For the XXLs there were chartered buses for tours to various scenic points in and around the Golden Gate City. For YLs transportation was provided to the San Mateo County airport for viewing the start of the Tenth Annual All Woman Trauscontinental Air Race.

The complete story of the Air Race will be told later, when all details are in. Briefly, for those at the airport it was a thrilling experience to witness 86 women pilots take off in 50 light planes at intervals of roughly 30 seeonds. Amateur communications at the airport were under the direction of San Carlos Radio Chairman Gertrude Cassady, W6FEA, and her OMI W'6WJF, with W6BDE, Esther, and W6QPV, Rose, assisting as operators, and OMs WGs BVM, CilRO, and MSW serving as relay stations. With a report of clear weather and little wind through to Prescott, Arizona, local morning ground fog delayed the start of the race one-half hour to 8:30 a.m. PST. The departure time of each plane was relayed immediately on 3900 kcs . to Harryette Barker, W6QGX, Radio Chairman for the firststop-over city, Bakersfield, California. And from the West Coast to Michigan, where the race was to finish at Flint before sundown on July 10th, the amateur network set-up by General Kadio Chairman Viola Grossman, W2JZX (see this column June 1956 (SST), swung into action to lend au added measure of safety to the flight of the Ninety-Niners.

With the e:.citing race only just under way, it was back to the hotel for the main YL event of
the convention - the Y゙T. Operators' Luncheon. Eighty YLs represented all but two of the W districts. Chaiarman of Women's Convention Activities Peggy Jetsch. WGPCN, introduced Mistress of Ceremonies Vada Letcher, W6CEE. Seated with Peggy and Vada at the head table were guest speakers Evelyn Scot.t, W6NZP, who with her UM had returned only two days before from a year's travels in the Pacific and Orient; Louisa Sando, W5RZJ, YL Editor of CQ magazinc; and W1QON. Needless to add, the chief topic of the hour was YLs.

For the remainder of the afternoon there was a choice of a DX meeting or more sightsecing. At 7:30 p.m. all registrants gathered at the Civic Auditorium again for the banquet and the distribution of awards and "donations." The group then shuttled back to the Hotel for the (rrand Ball and the end of a very full day.

For Sunday, various radio events, such as the IN and Mobile breakfasts, were seheduled. And gradually the Eighth National Convention of the ARRL came to a close.

It seems to us that conventions and hamfests are well worth the work they are for the committees who sponsor them if, afterwards, hundreds of people return to their homes near and far recharged with enthusiasm for their hobby. Those who did the "dog work" to make the whole affair possible can then justify the days and months spent in preparation.

Certainly large bouquets are due Peggy Detsch, W6PCN, and Gertrude Cassady, W6FEA, the members of the San Francisco YL Radio Club; and all of the YLs and XYLs who helped make this year's convention the memorable event that it was.

Alreudy plans for the mext National ARRL Convention are well in progress. Labor Diy weekend 1957 is the big date to remember. The Palmer House in (Yhicago, Illinois, is the place.
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'The only licensed YL in this year's A WTAR (Betty Gillics, W6QPI, Race Chairman, flew the route as an observer not as a participant) was KNGSBG, Joyce Failing, of Raker, California. Pilot of entry \#30 Joyce (right) and her co-pilot lauretta foy were the first to cross the fimish line at Flint, Michigan. (They were not the winners, however, inasmuch as the race is a handicap. Mrs. F'rances Bera and Mrs. Edna Bower of California were pronounced the winners.)
F. E. HANDY, WIBDI, Communications Mgr.

GEORGE HART, WINJM, Natl. Emerg. Coordinator
phil simmons, WlZDP, Asst. Comm. Mgr., C.W.

ROBERT L. WHITE, WIWPO, DXCC Awards LILLIAN M. SALTER, WIZJE, Administrative Aide ellen white, WiYYM, Asst. Comm. Mgr., Phone

Morning Nets. 'The customary early evening times selected by many section netters in the null of the sun spot cycle have worked out pretty well in recent years. Nets like to clear their traffic early before excessive skip develops in the 3.5-4 Mc. band. Besides the shift to daylight time, a consistently sharp change in radio propagation with the top of the cycle but two years away is making some reconsideration of net operating times necessary.

Later evening times give all-dark instead of daylight conditions for net traffic exchanges. 9RN starting June 1 moved its schedule an hour later, to start at 1730 and run to 1830 . We're not going to predict just how it will be this fall hut the problem of selecting an optimum time and whether changes are desired will be worth some study.

Morning nets are one solution for those who can meet them. Some ARRL RMs and PAMs as section net managers are setting up extra net sessions in the early morning hours. For example, in Nebraska WøMAO has an 0730 CST session. It is for those whose commitments make other times doubtful; it is especially needed here to get around increasingly poor conditions under which the noontime net operates. 3.5 Mc . signals are very good in the early morning hours and RM Cox reports a fine turnout for his new net sessions.

Examination Standards. It is very much to our own best interest to see that every applicant for an amateur license meets the standards we had to meet. Any lowering of standards is first of all no favor to the person examined. He is hardly likely to go far as a communicator by an introduction in which he "gets by" the most rudimentary technique. Should FCC have to resume examining all applicants it would greatly increase the time to get even routine amateur matters handled. Crowding the bands with more operators makes conditions increasingly intolerable and less enjoyable and successful for all.

All operators privileged to conduct exams should be every bit as strict as FCC. Affiliated clubs can maintain high standards by placing experienced and expert operators and technicians in charge of the groups that instruct; it is as important to impart our service traditions, and data on DX and the db advantages and relative merits and widths of c.w. and phone channels as to meet the specific simple examination questions. Keep examination standards high. Drop a line to the ARRL Communications Department for some suggestions on making your test copy (in giving code exam) conform to FCC standards.

It's another subject really, but if anyone who reads these words can impart something of the thrill of learning by listening let him do so. Cetting those first letters and words to start spelling out the identity of marine, press, government and commercial stations and services can be inspired and interesting in itself. We think this approach may well pay a dividend in the future of the amateur service, too. It makes for amatours who get the larger picture of communications, even beyond the hobby implications.

In copying set the words received down five to a line. At the end of the message it is easy to arrive at the group count by quickly multiplying the number of lines and adding any words over five at the end of the text. Using a typewriter you can copy ten-to-the-line. A couple of extra spaces put after the first five words will facilitate count.

Operating License Suspensions. This supplements the earlier Opcrating Newsitems appearing in January, February and July QST indicating the types of violations of amateur regulations for which operator license suspensions are being made.
In the matter of the FCC suspension order as concerns Mr. Joseph T. Collins (W9PYM) Thiensville, Wisconsin (page 74 July ' $56 Q S T$ ), Mr. Collins in the fifteen days provided made application for a hearing on his matter. By further FCC order dated May 1, 1956 Mr. Donohue was assigned as FCC examiner to preside at a hearing in Milwaukee set initially for 17 July '56; subsequently by FCC order the hearing on docket 11681, to determine prospective suspension of Mr. Collins' amateur operator license has been continued to a date and place to be specified by FCC order.

FCC ordered ( 26 March '56) that the amateur operator license of Louis J. Schneider, Milwaukee, Wisconsin be suspended for a period of one year, and that the license be turned in to the office of the Commission in Washington, D. C. it appearing that the licensee (1) while operating his station WYBGE failed to properly identify said radio station by transmitting the call sign, a violation of Sec. 12.82; (2) that said licensee in the period November 1-December 31 '55 and particularly on December 8, rebroadcast multiplex transmissions, in violation of Sec. 12.103 of FCC Rules; (3) . . . particularly on December 8 ' 55 while engaged in the operation of his amateur radio station W9BGE, transmitted an unmodulated carrier in violation of Sec. 12.134; (4) failed to maintain an accurate radio station log for W9BGE, violation of Sec. 12.136; (5) transmitted unidentified radio communications or signals in violation of Scc. 12.159; (6) failed to operate W9BGE in accord with goud engineering and good amateur practice, a violation of Sec. 12.151; and (7) that said licensee on these dates, while engaged in the operation of his amateur station W9BGE, interfered with or caused interference to radio communications or signals transmitted to or from other radio stations in viola tion of Sec. 18.160 of the Commission's Rules.

FCC ordered (11 May '56) that the Technician Class amateur operator license of William $\mathrm{F}^{\prime}$. Hug, Chicago, 川linois be suspended for thirly days it appearing that said licensee on various occasions, Feb. 8, '56 to Apr. 12, '56 and particularly on Apr. 12, '56 permitted the use of his call
sign W9COJ by Leonard M. Weiss, Lincolnwood, Illinois in the nneration of unlicensed transmitting apparatus not under his control, and at a location not specified in said licensee's station authorization, in violation of Sec. 12.64 and 12.66. The order provided that the license be turned in to FCC for the period. Suspension was ended under date of June 27 in this case.

FCC ordered (21 May '56) that the General Class amateur operator license of Thomas R. Macturk (K2IJV) be suspended for one month, it appearing that said licensee on various occasions March 1, ' $\bar{\beta}$ to Apr. 7, '56 engaged in the operation of Novice Class amateur radio station KN2PMC at Buffalo. New York, using certain frequencies with type A-3 emission not authorized by the license of this station, violation of Sec. 12.28, and it further appearing, that said licensee while engaged in this operation improperly identified this station by the call K2IJV, which was not assigned to the station he was operating, a violation of Sec. 12.158. The suspension imposed terminated July 8.

FCC ordered ( 21 May '56) that the Novice Class amateur operator license of Donald W. Niles (KN2PMC) be suspended for the month ending July 8, it appearing that on April 4 and 5 ' 56 licensee operated his station KN2PMC in the 40,75 and 160 meter frequency bands, using A-3 emission contrary to his Novice License and in violation of Sec. 12.23(e).

FCC ordered (28 May '56) that the Novice Class amateur operator license of John B. Hill (KN5BGC) be suspended for a period of two months, it appearing that said licensee on December 22, '55, March 18, '56 and on other occasions operated KN5BGC in the 3.8-4 Mc. band using A-3 emission - and that he likewise identified his station by the call sign K5BGC which was not assigned to the station he was operating and in violation of Sec. 12.158 as well as Sec. 12.23(e).

Proper Message Heading and Form. In reporting in to any net be sure to be zero-beat with the NCS (QNZ). Some amateur stations are still not putting proper headings on their messages. Message form is discussed in detail on page 11 of Operating an Amateur Kadio Station. There's a purpose for every part of the message. Keeping the parts in proper order (number, station-oforigin, check, place of origin, time filed and date, address, text, signature) helps both speed and accuracy. Operators you work expect the traffic in this order and newer operators are thrown for a loss if sent in any other way.

All messages should contain some sort of a check or word count to insure correct copy. About the service message: Any service traffic sent back to the sender to account for its status, non-deliverability, asking better address or seeking correction for changes should always contain enough information to identify your message. It is recommended amateur practice not to use punctuation or seldom-used fractions in the text of messages. For accuracy when numerals are required in a text spell these out.

- H. E. H.


## MEXICAN AMATEURS IN THE TAMPICO FLOODS

You may remember having read and seen newsreel pictures of the disastrous floods in the vicinity of Tampico, Mexico, in September of last year. Our Mexican amateur brethren, under the LMRE (Liga Mexicana de Radio Experimentadores), a member society of the International Amateur Radio Union, were quite active in emergency work during this disaster. Here is the chronology of the work of Mexican amateurs at that time, forwarded to us direct from the LMRE:

Sept. 18th: As Hurricane Janet headed for the coast of Tampico, XE2s FC MK GK, XE1s GA LA and BH put their stations in order to maintain communication as the necessities might dictate.

Sept. 19th: An emergency net was urganized with XE1LM,

LMRE's headquarters station, as control. By noon there was no communication of any kind with Tampico. First news of the disaster was received from XE2MK of Tampico via XEIMT at Mexico City and transmitted to federal suthorities. From this moment on all communication with the affected area was handled by amateur radio.

Sept. 20th: Cerro Azul, Poza Rica, Panuca and Tuxpan were isolated. In Tuxpan a mobile station, XEIPAF, was set up and manned. Panuco called for help via XE 3 BQF .

Sept. \&18t: Amateurs in the entire country were standing by to assist emergency net operations. The press, Red Cross, railroads and others were receiving all their information via amateur radio. Much of the work was concerned with the locating of missing persons, and LMRE headquarters was often the scene of intense drama as a result. Other amateurs active, not already mentioned: XE18 AU BJ BU CQ CR GX HM JH LV MT MV N OA OH OJ OK QM VA VS X XH XW Y XEL\& AD AR D FA FR GY HZ $J F$ KC KO LF M PM XEss AH BD VD. Among foreign armateurs who assisted were CO2s AK EG HV LQ NO CM2TT CO5RR CO5CR HR1FM HR2AN HR4WH TI2ACA TFS CRA JPV TFO.

Sept. zyth Hurricane Hilda struck the Mexican shore, entering near Chetumal. The amateurs of Yucatan organized for emergency service. An amateur station aboard a merchant ship gave the first word of this disaster. Stations who operated here were $X E 18$ KA LM PF $X E S$ AH M.

Sept. 28th: The hurricane crossed the Yucatan peninsula and entered the Gulf of Mexico, gaining in intensity as it headed for Veracruz. Amateurs continued their emergency preparedness and activity.

Sept. 29th and following days: Tampico was again affected and the situation got much worse as the new hurricane hit north of Veracruz causing heavy flooding. XE1LM maintained communication with all of the affected area.
The Federal Government of Mexico requested LMRE to furnish a detailed report of the activities of the Mexican amateurs during the floods, then issued a certificate of honor to each amateur who took part in the emergency work. LMRE has countless letters in its files from persons who were helped during those tragic days.

## BRIEF

"Having confirmed my 47th state and lacking only Delaware, I decided to call CQ DEL. Well, I received a number of replies -.. more than from a normal $\mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ - but not one from W3-land during seven days of this technique. I began to wonder if Delaware was actually in the W3 area - a Call Book check indicated it was. Next I called CQ WB DEL and there was some improvement. I worked a duzen W3s, my pencil trembling until after each city came Penna. or Md. But nary a Delaware. I am sure that I could have given KN6JQJ a run for his money in earning the first Novice WAC award had I but got on 15 meters and called ©Q Delaware."

- Leselie E. Harper jr., I' N8CFJ


## A.R.R.L. ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Sept. Ist: CP Qualifying Run - W6OWP Sept. 13th: Frequency Measuring Test Sept. 14th: CP Qualifying Run -- IVIAW Sept. 15th-16th: V.H.F. QSO Party
Oct. 5th: CP Qualifying Run - W60WP Oct. 13th-14th: Simulated Emergency Test
Oct. 15th: CP Qualifying Run - WlAW Oct. 20th-2lst: CD OSO Party (c.w.) Oct. 27th-28th: CD QSO Party (phone) Nov. 3rd: CP Qualifying Run - W6OWP Nov. 10th-11th, 17th-182h: Sweepstakes Nov. 13th: CP Qualifying Run - WIA W Dec. 5th: CP Qualifying Run - W60WP Dec. 19th: CP Qualifying Run - WIAW Jan. 3rd: CP Qualifying Run - W60WP Jan. 5th-6th: V.H.F. Sweepstakes
Jan. 12th-13th: CD QSO Party (c.w.)
Jan. 17th: CP Qualifying Run - WlAW Jan. 19th-20th: CD QSO Party (phone)


Two key factors in the urganization of any AREC group are liaison and fleximility. Without these attributes, your AREC organization is structurally faulty and subject to sudden collapse under pressure. Leave us claborate:

Liaison There are two kinds of liaison - that between nets to effect the greatest transfer and delivery of record messages, and that between the AREC orsanization and the agencies it serves. as well as between the served agencies themselves. Both are essential. A single net that has no liaison with other nets is either so restricted in its coverage us to be only partially effective, or so large as to be unwieldy. Ten stations (or units) in a net is a good maximum for service functions, bevond which it should be broken up and liaison links formed between its parts; otherwise, as additional station units are aulded, the problem of control becomes acute and the dispatch and delivery of traflic slows down.

An AREC organization that fails to establish liaison with agencies to be served cannot serve, it can only demonstrate. While there is some value in this (but not much), the principal value of the AREC lies in the degree of its liaison with served agencies, be they Civil Defense, Ked Cross, the Police Department, the Fire Department, Salvation Army, or what have you. And the best service can be rendered where all these agencies are themselves connected into an intcorated community plan jor emerjency communicalion. Kead the Emergency Communications Manual; it's all there.
Fr Filexibility: It is axiomatic for our AREC to maintain an "open door" policy toward all agencies, and this requires Hexibility to a maximum degree. At the same time, amateur groups will exhibit the greatest cooperation toward that agency which reciprocates the most. This often has the effect of monopoly of an amateur group's services by a single agency to the exclusion of all others. Nothing wrong with this, provided other agencies do not require services, and provided the door is left open and the organizational flexibility maintained to the extent that services can be given to other agencies if the need is apparent or requested. In a couple cases we know of, ARFC groups have gone entirely over to civil defense, the AREC structure dropped and forgotten, the EC appuintment allowed to lapse or languish. Came political disruptions and local civil defense collapsed like an accordion, leaving the amateurs high and dry to start all over to build up their AREC, this time with the resolve that never again would they devote themselves exclusively to a single agency.

Our contention is not that they should not have collaborated closely with civil defense in setting up RACES (because we always have urged this on all ECs , and shall continue to do sol, or even that they should not have devoted their entire efforts in this direction, but only that the basic AREC structure should have been maintained within the amateur group so that it would have been there to fall hack upon; in other words, that the basic organization should have had enough fle.ibility so that its talents
could immediately have been transferred to another type of service, without organizational disruption.

No service can stand on its own entirely independent of outside intluences. If it could, it would not be a service, because a service has to have something, or someone, to serve. Our AREC is the product of our own planning, our onn cevolution in the PICON. It is not a stepping stone to "better" things. It is not an interim "kangaroo" assembly waiting for some agency, government or utherwise, to take it over. It is the radio amateur's own version of emergency eommunications service, run by amateurs in the public interest. Above all, it is what we amateurs make it; nothing more, nothing less. Can we not find sume basis for pride and for responsibility in the above?

When a train out of Mobile, Ala., was overdue on July 8th railroad officials, knowing of flond conditions along the ruute, sent out a call for amateur radio operators to aid in finding it. K4CEM telephoned W4BFX from the depot

## NATIONAL CALLING AND EMERGENCY FREQUENCIES (kc.)

| 3550 | 3875 | 7100 | 7250 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 14,050 | 14,225 | 21,050 | 21,400 |
| 28,100 | 29,640 | 50,550 | 145,350 |

During periods of communications emergency these chaunels will be monitored for emergency trathc. At ither times, these frequencles can be used ar general calling frequencies to expedite general trantic movement between amateur stations. Emergency trathl has prece dence, Atter contact has been made the requency teallers. following are the National Calling and Emer

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## NATIONAL RTTY CALLING AND WORKING FREQUENCIES

$3620 \mathrm{kc} . \quad 7140 \mathrm{kc}$.
at 0900 (SST and W4BFX immediately went on the air alerting the members of AENP. Net manager K4AOZ activated the net and took charge as NCS. W $4 \mathrm{OBV} / \mathrm{m}$ in Marion telephoned the Marion Police Department, who in turn relayed to the police in Jackson, Ala., and alerted the highway patrol. It was established that the train was missing sumewhere between Jackson and Suggsville. W4GJW heard the alert on the AEN frequency and switched over to 40 meters to catch a station in Evergreen, W4FDZ. W4FDZ called the Evergreen police who also relayed the call into the Jackson police.

Within 45 minutes of the time the request was given to K4CEM, a Jackson police syuard car found the stranded train trapped between two washouts and unable to move. The information was radioed back through police and amateur channels to the Southern Railway officials. The fine comperation of hams and local police and railroad ollicials thus quickly allayed fears of the railroad and relatives of passengers as to the train's safety. Stations


Dade County (Miami), Fla., boasts a modern radio-equipped communications bus and a number of two-meter mobiles operated by local amateurs. Sixtcen amateurs of the Miami RACES group are shown in the above photo. In front row left, kneeling, is W4ESJ, RACES Radio Officer, and at extreme left standing is Ben Demby, Miami Communications Officer. Other amateurs are, (knceling, l. to r.): W1TRIT, W4JTE, W4NVF, K+CTU, W4OJP, K\&AZM, K4ANW; back row, I. to r. (omit YLs): W4YCL, W4B'M. K4AZQ, W4PBS, W 1OQL, W 1VGT, W HJJI, K HHOB.
assisting were: $K 48$ AOZ CEM; W4s PXQ HKK GJW BFX OBV FDZ and W5ZLP. - K4HRD.

On July 4 amateur mobile units in Dade County (Miami), Fla., took to the highways throughout the county in cooperation with the sheriff's department in an effort to cut down on holiday accidents. The mobile units patrolled the highways during the rush hours, reporting traftic violations or arcidents to W4VCG:AM who was patrolling over the county. The information was then transmitted from the same aircraft over the sheriff"s frequency to other county patrol units, which in turn took proper action. Normally a patrol car and amateur were located near each other to expedite coordination between the emergency headquarters (K4AG/4 at Brown's Airport, South Miami), the main highways and the plane. Thirteen patrol planes were in the air throughout the day operating on 158.37 Mr . The following mobiles and fixed stations participated in "Operation Safety": W 48 BYG/m DNM/m EKZ/m FVW FAJ/4 HGD/m IYT/m KGJ MVR/m NVF NJM DQL/m PJX/m $\mathrm{RID} / \mathrm{m} \mathrm{SDI} / \mathrm{m} \mathrm{SKC} / \mathrm{m}$ TOJ/m VCG/am WYS ZYR ZGL/m $Z \mathrm{PT} / \mathrm{m}$ ZGM $K 48 \mathrm{AG} / 4 \mathrm{AHW}$ ATO/m BCP/m ENN/m EKU/m GYJ/m IQG IKY, W8YCN/m, W9AVI/m. The sheriff wrote a yery fine letter complimenting the amatelrs on this organization and thanking them for their assistance. -... W' $41 Y T, S E C$ E. Fla.

The Alabama Scetion Tecnage Net (AENT) held a simulated emergency test on February 26 from 1530 to 1650 CST. W4HTP of Auburn was NCS, and fourteen stations participated, handling ten formal messages. The oneration was unscheduled, the first of its kind by AENT. SCM W4MI states that AENT is doing an excellent job and the net now has 29 members.

Members of the AREC from the Ogden City-Weber Oounty area took part in the annual Armed Forces Day activities on May 19, 1956. This group set up a display booth with the Weber County Civil Defense Director, at the Utah General Depot. furnishing three 6 -meter stations providing communication to and from display points and the UGD Fire Station. Six local AREC members tonk part. - WYGPN, EC Weber County, Utah.

Nineteen SECs reported on behalf of 5111 AREC memhers for the month of May. This is two more reports but fewer AREC members than we had in May of last year. The encouraging part is that three of the reporting SECs were new reporters for 1956, bringing our total sections heard from this year to 30 . We'll have a mid-vear analysis in October QST. Reporting sections for May (new ones in italics): S. Texas, Mo., Minn., NYC-LI, Ore., North Carolina. N. M., South CCarolina, Colo., San Joaquin Valley, Eastern New York, Mont., Santa Barbara. Ala., Wis., Santa Clara Valley, Md.-Del.-D. C., Nebr., E. Fla.

## RACES News

The FCDA boys from Battle Creek are getting around to some of our conventions and hamfests these days. Charlie Dewey, W8LBM, represented FCDA at the Regina, Sask., hamfest on June 30, July 1-2, along with Canadian C. D. Communications Chief Col. K. E. Holmes: and then Charlie went on to attend the ARRL National Couvention in San Francisco on July 6-7-8. Jim Mac(iregor, W8DUA, also of FCDA's Communications Staff, journeyed to Galveston to attend the West Gulf Division Convention on June 15-16-17, where he gave a talk on RACES organization and planning. You convention and hamfest planners who want to make civil defense and RACES one of the subjects on the agenda of your programs might drop a line to FCDA, Warning \& Communications Office. Battle Creek, Mich., inviting a representative to attend.

FCDA has produced a revised version of the "check list" to assist prospective RACES planners, an item which will be most helpful to the many amateurs who wish to get RACES started locally. At the moment space will not permit our reproducing it in full here, but you can get a copy by writing to FCDA Warning \& Communications Office, Battle Creek, Mich.

Add to your list of RACES-authorized towns that of Lincoln, R. I., which has just received its RACES authorization. W1UPB is the RO. They are at present negotiating for equipment and setting up traiuing classes for a busy fall season.

The Ilonoluln Amateur Radio Mobile Club siened up an additional six RACES applicants with the Honolulu RO during the month of June, according to SCM KH6AED.

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New York State RO W2BGO tells us that the statewide Radiological Information Net is still going strong. This is no little chore for the participating stations, who must each be on the air twice a day, at 1000 and 1700 local time. Eiach operator has received a letter of thanks and congratulations on a job well done from N. Y. State Civil Defense Jirector Lt. Gen. C. R. Huebner. Here is a list of the stations doing the work: $1 W^{2} \mathscr{R}_{8}$ FEMI JNMI KEB KQL NAI NOC; K2s ACA AMZ BSD (UUQ UJN GVM IYP QIX RDB W3WUE.

## BRIEF

W1MZE writes to stress that " $R$ " means RECEIVED, and nothing else. It means the message has becn received ins sent. It does not mean that the receiving operator agrees with what the message said, intends to carry it out, if it is an order, or even arknowledges it. (Acknowledging is the business of the addressee, not the nperator.) " $R$ " just means that the operator has rec ined the message. "The use of R to inean 'yes' or 'correct' opens the way to misunderstandings. Also confusion is caused by the sloppy use of $Q$ signals

QSY and QSW should not be used for the same meaning."

QSW Will you send on . . . kes.i etc. I will send on . . . kes. etc.

QSY Shall I change to . . . kcs. without changing the type of wave? ('hange to . . . kcs. without changing the type of wave.

## FREQUENCY MEASURING TEST, SEPTEMBER 13TH

ARRL invites all amateurs to try their hand at frequency measuring. W1AW will transmit signals for the purnose of frequency measurement starting at 9:30 p.M. EDST (6:30 r.m. PDST), Thursday, September 13th. The signals will consist of dashes interspersed with station identification. These will follow a general message sent to help listeners to locate the signals before the measurement transmission atarts. The approximate frequencies used will be 3510 , 7050 and 14.027 kc . About $41 / 2$ minutes will be allowed for measuring each frequency, with long dashes for measurement starting about $9: 36$ P.m. It is suggested that frequencies be measured in the order listed. Transmissions will be found within 5 or 10 kc . of the suggested frequencies.

At 12:30 A.m. EDST, September 14th (9:3U P.m. PDST, September 13th), W1AW will transmit a second series of signals for the Frequency Measuring Test. Approximate frequencies used will be 3576,7065 and $14,094 \mathrm{kc}$.

Individuai repcrts on results will be sent to all amateurs who take part and submit entries. When the average accuracy reported shows error of less than 71.43 parts per inillion, or falls between 71.43 and 357.15 parts per million, participants will become eligible for appointment by SCMs as Class I or Class II OOs respectively.
This ARRL Frequency Measuring Test will be used to aid qualification of ARRL members as Class I and Class II observers. Present observers not demonstrating the requisite average accuracy will be reclassified appropriately until they demonstrate the above-stated minimum required accuracy. Class I and Class II OOs must participate in at least two FMTs each year to hold appointments. SCMs (see listing, page 6) invite applications for Class LII and IV observer posts, good receiving equipment being the main requirement. All observers must make use of cooperative notices, reporting activity monthly through SCMs, to warrant continued holding of appointment.

Any amateur may submit measurements on one or all frequencies listed above. No entry consisting of a single measurement will be eligible for QST listing of top results; at least two readings should be submitted to warrant QST mention. Listing will be based on over-all average accuracy, as compared with readings made by a professional fre-quency-measuring lab.

## TRAFFIC TOPICS

This is the annual call for net registrations and re-registrations. All nets who have not registered or re-resistered their net data with ARRL since August 1 are urged to do so, so that their net will appear in the active file in the ARRL Net Lirectory. We kecp a complete card of inforuation on each net registered, filed alphabetically by name of net. There is also a card for each irequency, with nets


At the annual meeting of the Iowa Tall Corn Net (TLCN) in Marshalltown, lowa, May 19, past and present managers of the NT'S Tenth Regional Net, all of whom were present, posed for this sroup picture. with X'gQVA. That's Dick, WgQVA, at Inwer left, loug a leading traffic light in 'TLCN and TEN. Seated at right is WØAUL, the first 'TEN Manager. Behind him is W'פSCiA, second TEN Manager and presently T'CC Director, NTS Central Area. 'T'o his right are WOIT'Q, third 'I'F,N Manager; W' $\bigcup$ DQL, fourth; and W@KJZ, present manager.
operating thereon listed, and a card for each state, Canadian province and U.S. possession containing the names of nets operating within state, provincial or possession boundaries.

Net registration cards (CD-85) are available to anyone on request. Use of these standard card forms makes the reyistration job easier for us, and easier for you too because just by filling in blanks you give us the complete info we need. Howerer, without the card, here is the information we want iand we italicize the basic information we must have, without which no net will be registered):
(1) Name of Net. Please adopt an official name and stick to it, so we won't have to change it every time a new registration is submitted. (2) Net Designation, if any. This is the set of letters by which the net is known $-\cdots$ used for net call-up on c.w., usually colloquially by phone nets. (3) Frequency or frequencies. If more than one, be sure you line up times and days with the correct frequencies. Give the exact frequency in kc. (4) Days. Tell us which days, not how many. Daily means every day, including Sunday. (5) Call of Net Manager. This is the amateur who organizes the net, arranges for NCS, conducts correspondence, etc. If these are not the same person, give us the call of the over-all boss. (6) Net Starting Time(s). Net Ending Time(s). Most nets do not have rigid ending times, so please indicate your approximate ending time, so we have some idea how long the net lasts. Use standard (not "daylight") time (or use GMT), and be sure to indicate your time zone by AS'I', EST, CST, MST or PST. If you change time or time zone, don't forget to re-register or otherwise notify us, so your card can be changed. (7) Direct Coverage. This is the extent of coverage provided by regular net participants and does not include coverage of nets with which liaison is conducted. (8) Purpose of Net. Indicate traffic, emergency, or both. If purpose is neither, leave blank. (9) Starting Date. If this is a new net, indicate the date it first went into operation. If a net that has recessed for the summer, indicate its fall starting date. If an old net, indicate the year it was founded. (10) NCSs. List them by call. They so un our mailing list to receive certain bulletins. (11) NTS? Indicate by "yes" wr "no" if the net is part of the National Traffic System. (12) Liaisons. We'd like to know the names (or designations) of nets with whom regular direct traffic
liaison is cunducted. (13) Call of the amateur who submitted the information. Include the nime if sou want to, but be sure you indicate the call.

We are sorry we cannot search through bulletins, res ports and miscellaneous correspondence for net registration information. If we come across it. we'll include it as possible in our net info, but to be sure your net is registered, make a special point to send us the information requested above (or use a form CD-85), and be sure to inform us of changes so our records will be kept up to date and accurate. First QS'T net list will be in the November issue. The annual cross-indexed net directory will be available for distribution on (hah!) December 15th.

For you early birds, wed like to commend to your attention the Morning Watch, uperating on 7080 ke. at Of:00 EST daily, a net for traffic hounds, with the rallying rall ARF. Chief watch dogs (NCS) are K\%EQP, W3ZSX, W4IA and W4PL. Participation is open to all, and in June is different stations QNI'd. W4IA puts out a semihumorous bulletin from time to time.

Transcontinental Relay Net reports 30 .June sessions, five stations, traffic total of 2097. Transcontinental Phone Net for June had the following tralfic totals: First Call Area, 445; Decond Call Area, 717; Fourth, Ninth \& Tenth Call Areas, 536; grand total, 1698. The Early Bird Transcon Net reports 520 messages handled in June.

National Trafic S'ustem. As far as NTS is concerned, s section or regional net that meets ouly once per day is

## BRASS POUNDERS LEAGUE

Winners of PPL, Certlifates for June trafic:


BPL for 100 or more ortotnations-plus delfveries: $\begin{array}{llll}\text { VE1OC } & 143 & \text { KP6AK } & 120 \\ \text { WøKJZ } & 140 & \text { W4DDY } & \text { I16 } \\ \text { WP4W Report: } \\ \text { W7VAZ } & \text { (May) } & 120\end{array}$

## More-Than-One Operator Stations

 Late Report: W2CXM (May) 237BPL medallions (see Aug. 1954 osT, p. B4) have heen awarded to the following amateurs since last month's listing: W5FEC, W9WWJ, WפTVI, WøZWL.

The BPL Ls open to all amateurs in the United States, Canudu, Cuba, and U. 8 . possessions who report to thelr SCM a message total of 500 or more, or 100 or more originations-plus-deliveries for any calendar month. All in 48 hours of recelpt, in standard ARRL form.
only half a net. The fow plan is an essential part of the svatem, which calls for section net meetings at 1900 and 2200 , regional meetings at 1945 and 2130. The late meetings are a part of the NTS ideal of having messages arrive at their destinations (or within delivery range therefrom) the same night they are originated.

The late meetings need not call upon the same group who participate in the early meetings. Get some new people, especially those who find 1900 or 1945 too early. Section und regional nets, re-establish vour late sessions if they are not now functioning. If you can't do it on c.w.. then do it on phone. Section nets. send one person with traffic to the early regional net. designate another to late regional to get traffic for section. Regional nets, send one person to area with traffic, designate another to take traffic out of area to late regional. Let's make a determined effort, as the fall active season approaches, to bring NTS into full bloom for the 1956-57 winter months, when conditions promise improvement over previous years.

| June reports: |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net | Se8sions | Traffic | Rate | Anerage | Representation (\%) |
| IRN | 25 | 24.3 | 0.55 | 9.7 | 86.3* |
| 2 RN | 25 | 261 | 0.73 | 10.4 | 98.7* |
| 3R.N | 36 | 141 | 0.80 | 4.0 | 61. 1 |
| 8RN | 41 | 136 | ...... | 3.3 | 80.5 |
| YRN | 30 | 785 | 1.77 | 26.2 | 96.6* |
| TEN. | 68 | 1405 | $\cdots$ | 20.7 | 57.9 |
| 'TRN. | 12 | 45 | 0. 58 | 4.0 | 58.3 |
| CAN | 21 | 823 | (1).tif | 39.1 | 110 |
| PAN | 20 | 696 | -- | \%4.8 | 47.5 |
| Sections ** | 468 | 2579 |  | $\therefore \%$ |  |
| TCC Eastern.. | 33: | -337 |  |  |  |
| 'I'CC Central. |  | 903 |  |  |  |
| 'rCC Pacific. |  | 556 |  |  |  |
| Summary-Total | 746 | 8960 | 9RN | 9.6 | $\cdots$ |
| Record. | 746 | 8960 | 1.77 | 15.9 | 100 | night.

** Section nets reporting: Colo. s.s.; GSN (Gia.); SCN ('alif.); KYN (Ky.); MSN, MJN and Minn. Phone; CPN \& (UN (Conn.); ILCN \& Iowa Phone; WVN (W. Va.); AENT, AENB \& AENP (Ala.); Tenn. C.W.; QKS, GKN \& QKS SS (Kans.) ; S. Dak. Phone; NTX (N. Texas).
\#TCC schedules reported, not included as net sessions.
Despite lack of reports from 4 RN, RN5, RN6, RN7 and EAN, records again toppled in June; getting to be the rule rather than the exception. We attribute most of this, of course, to increased reporting from section level. June is customarily a poor month for traffic, as traffic men suffer the combined onslaughts of summer conditions and summer weather.
W1BVR has put out a very fine statistical summary of 1RN operation for the past ten months. W4AKW has awarded well-earned 9RN certificates to W9AA and W9UBI; Al is running for Kentucky SCM. WGKJZ has prepared a list of 103 stations who regularly QNI TEN: 27 from Minn., 17 from Iowa, 16 from Mo., 15 each from Kansas and Nebr., 6 from S. Dak., 5 from N. Dak., one from Manitoba. TRN reports discontinuation of late sessions and Saturday sessions for the summer, but is trying to maintain a Monday thru Friday status; VE2DR, VE3AUU and VE3BUR are mainstays for summer operation. CAN continues on its flawless way, with representation $100 \%$ and traffic always being cleared; W9YYG will run a Saturday session. W7NH reports for PAN Manager W7APF, who had an operation recently.

Transcontinental Corps: The loss of KøWBB and W2AEE to regular TCC work has put a big hole in the effectiveness of the corps while managers W $0 K Q D$ and W8UPB struggle to find replacements at the worst time of year. Central Area TCC goes along as usual, with WøBDR and W@SCA holding the fort, and with $W \emptyset_{8}$ LGG KJZ DQL and W9s $D O$ and CXY assisting. More details next month on the several openings available in Pacific and Eastern Area TCC.

## BRIEF

All operators turning in top traffic totals for their latest reported work are credited in the Brass Pounders League. In making an outatanding traffic record they also make it possible for many other operators to upgrade their own traffic count. Teamwork from top to bottom, operators
having time and serving as liaisons between the phone and c.w. nets in their sections and in TCC posts to shuttle traffic across time zones and between net systems - all have a part to play in making complete, fast and accurate relavs to destination constantly possible. Most messages are relayed a number of times between originating points and destination. Independent nets offer good relay and delivery systems for the particular regions and areas in which they work. The ARRL National Traftic System is designed to tie together all the states and field organization sections.

## MEET THE SCMs

John Curl Morgan, $1 W 4 \mathrm{KX}$, recently reelected to serve as SCM of Virginia for another two-year term, was first licensed in 1926 with the call W3KU, which subsequently was changed to W4KX with the area reshutling in 1946. He also formerly held portable call 3 AEE . In addition to


W4KX
his Advanced Class amateur license he holds radiotelegraph 1st class and radiotelephone 1st-class tickets.

Seldom a high-scorer, John enters almost every type of contest sponsored by ARRL simply for the fun of it. He is an Assistant Director as well as an Official Relay Station and holds membership in the AREC, the A-1 Operator Club, the Kag Chewers Club, the Old Timers Club, the Rappa hannock Valley Radio Club, and the Amalgamated Association of Ozone Sniffers. John also is a former vice-president and secretary of the Shenandoah Valley Radio Club. Several citations have been issued to him for his noteworthy work during hurricane, flood and tornado emergencies.

Transmitting and receiving equipment, in the basement shack, consists of a v.f.o. to a $6 A G 7$ to an 814 p.a. running about 200 watts for operation almost entirely on 75 and 80 meters, and a BC-348Q with a Q.5-er.

John does a bit of gardening and swimming (he once held a certificate as a Red Cross Water Safety Instructor) and claims the distinction of being probably the only ham who ever CQed and got a reply while submerged 90 feet under water in a submarine while on training duty in the Florida Straits in 1943. A former radio service man and truck driver and ship operator, serving on some sixteen merchant-ships from 1927 to 1934, SCM Morgan has worked in the broadcasting field in practically every capacity except musician at stations WTAR, WLAC, WSAP WINC/WRFL (FM), and presently WFVA, where he is general manager and chief engineer.

## CODE PROFICIENCY PROGRAM

Twice each month special transmissions are made to enable you to qualify for the ARRL Code Proficiency Cer tificate. The next qualifying run from W 1 AW will be made on September 14th at 2130 EDST. Identical texts will be sent simultaneously by automatic transmitters on 1885 $3555,7080,14,100,21,010,50,900$ and $145,600 \mathrm{kc}$. The next qualifying run from W60W $P$ only will be transmitted on September 1st at 2100 PDST on 3590 and 7128 kc .

Any person may apply; neither ARRL membership nor an amateur license is required. Send copies of all qualifying
runs to ARRL for grading, stating the call of the station you copied. If you qualify at one of the six speeds transmitted, 10 through 35 w. p.m., you will receive a certificate. If your initial qualification is for a speed below 35 w.p.m., you may try later for endorsement stickers.

Code-practice transmissions are made from W1AW each evening at 2130 EDST. Approximately 10 minutes' practice is given at each speed. References to texts used on several of the transmissions are given below. These make it nossible to check your copy. For practice purposes, the order of words in each line of QST text sometimes is reversed. To get sending practice, hook up your own key and buzzer and attempt to send in unison with W1AW.
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## BRIEF

Attention code-practice stations: If you have not already filed your code-practice schedule information with ARRL, please do so before October, 1956, so that an up-to-date station listing may appear in QST'. Convenient code-practice information cards may be obtained from the Communications Department upon request.

## WIAW SUMMER SCHEDULE

(All times given are Eastern Daylight Saving Time) Operaling-Visiting Hours:

Monday through Friday: 1300-0100 (following day). Saturday: 1900-0230 (Sunday).
Sunday: 1500-2230.
Exception: W1AW will be closed from 2230 Sept. 2nd to 1300 Sept. 4th in observance of Labor Day.

A local map showing how to get from main highways (or
from HQ. office) to W1AW will be sent to amateurs advising their intention to visit the station.

Official ARRL Bulletin Sichedule: Bulletins containing latest information on matters of general amateur interest are transmitted on regular schedules.

F'requencies in kc.:
S.w.: 1885, 3555, 7080, 14,100, 21,010, 50,000, 145,600.

Phone: 1885, 3945, $2255,14,280,21,330,50,000,145,600$. Times:
Sunday through Friday, 2000 by c.w., 2100 by phone.
Monday through Saturday, 2330 by phone, 2100 by c.w. Gicneral Operation: Use the chart on page 87, May QST for determining times and frequencies for W1AW general contact with any amateur. Note that since the schedule is organized in EDST, the operation between 0010 and 0100 each day will fall in the evening of the previous day in western time zones.

Code-Proficiencu Program: Practice transmissions at 15, 20, 25, 30 and $35 \mathrm{w} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and at 5, $71 / 2,10$ and $13 \mathrm{w} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. on Sunday, Tuesday. Thursday and Saturday are made on the above-listed frequencies. Code practice starts at 2130 each day. Approximately 10 minutes' practice is given at each speed. Sept. 13th, Sept. 14th and Oct. 15th, W1AW will transmit certificate qualifying runs and a frequency measuring test instead of the regular code practice.

## DXCC NOTES

Announcement is hereby made of the addition of Aves Island to the ARRL Countries List. This island is Venezuelan territory located in the Caribbean Sea approximately 275 miles north of the nearest Venezuelan land (Isla La Blanquilla), and about 330 miles from what could be considered the Venezuelan mainland (Isla de Margarita).
I) XCC credit will be given for Aves lsland starting November 1,1956 , for confirmations dated on or after November 15,1945 . This will permit foreign amateurs to start receiving credit at the same time as those in the U.S. A.

Do not submit Aves Island confirmations before November 1, 1956. Aves Island confirmations submitted before November 1, 1956 will be returned without credit.

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## An Autamatic QNZ

20E HAVE previously discussed receiver improvements which have occurred in the last few years, and this month we present another idea - while not new that we belicve is of interest to most hams.


#### Abstract

\# ow would you like to have your transmitter V.F.O. automatically operate at zero beat with the station you are receiving? It's really a rather simple circuit arrangement. In all superheterodyne receivers the tunable high frequency oscillator is at a constant difference in frequency from the desired incoming signal, and generally on the higher frequency side.


7ence, if some of the receiver high frequency oscillator power was brought out and mixed or heterodyned with a second signal source, whose frequency was equal to the first i.f.. the resultant new signal would be identical to the incoming signal. Thus, a black box consisting of an oscillator, converter and amplifier, could be added externally to almost any receiver for replacing the V.F.O. of the transmitter.
 INGE in single conversion receivers the oscillator is only about 500 kc . away from the signal frequency, a number of tuned circuits would be required in the black box to select the desired output frequency. However, with a modern dual conversion receiver the black box is somewhat simplified as the beating frequencies are about 1650 kc . apart and thus few tuned circuits would be required to eliminate the unwanted beat.

$A$WORD of caution is in order at this point. In most manufactured receivers extreme care must be exercised when adding any coupling device to the high frequency oscillator circuit. A slight increase in capacity reflected across the oscillator tank circuit will obviously require a realignment of the receiver so accurate frequency calibration is maintained. The additional capacity may also to some extent degrade the temperature compensation.

eare must also be used to maintain the original injection voltage to the converter to prevent reduction in sensitivity. However, these points are not unsurmountable for many skilled amateurs to achieve.
coupling tube for the oscillator output voltage is almost mandatory. This tube should be located very close to the oscillator.

7Hrs is just one of the many ideas devoted to amateur radio which are investigated by our laboratories. Some never get off the ground because of technical defects, or appeal only to a very, very narrow segment of the amateur market. Sometimes we think they are so good we simply build a whole new receiver or product around them.

Why not drop us a line and give us your comments?

to hallicrafters

- All onerating amateurs are invited to report to the SCM on the first of each month, covering station activities for the preceding month. Radio Club news is also desired by SCMs for inclusion in these columns. The addresses of all SCMs will be found on page 6.


## ATLANTIC DIVISION

EASTERNPENNSYLVANIA - SCM, Clarence Snyder. W3PYF -.. SEC: NNT. RM: AXA. PAM: TEJ. Nets: 3610 and 3850 kc . NNT reports that very few Emergency (oordinators are sending repmrts to him at the end of the month. Please advise him of your activity in AREC inonthly. If your county has no Emergency Courdinator why not volunteer for the job. There is a big job to be done why only by good organization can it be accomplished. ZKQ is going 2 -meter mobile with a Communicator. CUL made BPL again in June and is sporting a new air conditioner in the shack. NF reports he worked his brother, $1 \mathrm{NJM} / \mathrm{m}$, while George was mobiling in VE3-Land. $1 \mathrm{~N} . \mathrm{IM} / \mathrm{m}$ was on c.w. while mobile. WUE has a new QTH. BHC has a new all-band final for u.h.f. with a pair of 4-65As. Two new operators in the Lancaster Area include CMN and FLW. CSP operated portable i in Stone Harbor, N. J., during June. EEN has a new SX-100. SMC, ARK and OCG entered the May F.M.T. All OBS appointees are requested to forward their new skeds to the SCM as soon as possible. York County is working on a RACES plan through the cooperation of all York County radio clubs. EAN visited 6 KZX in California during June. GZR has a new SX-100. NNT now is mobile with an Elmac transmitter and receiver. MAC now has emergency power to help in his emergency work. 2PT is operating under the call 3BEP from North Hangor for the summer. From the reports received here, Field Day was a big success in all the clubs in the section. Most complained of the heavy thunder storms but as a whole all had a good time. DHJ is now s.s.b. in his mobile. Northampton County now has a RACES plan. PYF is Northampton. Traffic: W3COL 1627 , TEJ 203, BHC 105 , Radio Oticer. Traffic: 18 , NF 48, GIY 40, ZRQ 38, BNR 27, OK 91, DHJ 82, CSP 48. NF 48, GIY 40, ZRQ 38, BNR 27, BFF 18, PYF 18, O(ID 17, AXA
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MARYLAND-DELAWARE-DISTRICT OF COLUM BIA - SCM. Jobn W. Gore, W3PRL - UE reports 3RN still operating 3 sessions Mon, through Fri. despite summer conditions, vacations, etc. CVE had a chance to give his emergency-power unit a good workout on Field Day and it emergency-power unit a good workout on Field Day and it
perked O.K. WAF now has a 2 -meter Communicator. CDG perked ... 2 -meter beam, ulso that DKM's 3-band trap beam works FB. BRS has a 2 -meter Communicator. AHC and JOR have new ground-plane antennas for 10 meters. The Boonshoro High School Club now has a club call. HHZ, with ZGN as trustee. ZSR now is on all bands with 75 watts. BWT reports that the Novice portion of the Washington Radio Club Field Day aroup participated in great style and the fellows are quite enthusiastic as to what the will do next year after their first experience this year. Emzie (:DQ stayed throughout the session. K3WCO is the call of the club station of the 69th Signal Battalion, Fort George G. Meade. A BC-610E is QRV on all bands 80 through 10 meters, and a Globe Champion is QRV on 80 and 75 meters. meters, and a Globe Champion is QRV on 80 and 75 meters. a Sterba Curtain for 20 and a vertical on 40 meters. A Windom also works out well on 75,40 and 20 meters. A two-element 10 -meter and a six-element 2 -meter beam complete the untenna group. The station participates in the Mike-F'arad Net and is NCS for Thurs. The four operators are Mac K2MAX, Ben OBV, Carl W4TCL and Al, who has passed his examination for General Class ticket. The station is open daily from 0700 to 1700 daily and usually 1800 to 2100 . Visitors are welcome. Traflic is handled on both the ham and MARS bands. K2MAX is chief operator. The ARA set up its Field Day site at Big Flat, 7 miles southeast of Shippensburg, Pa. Of the 27 members participating, 25 stayed for the full period. $80,75,40$ and 20 meters, both c.w. and phone, and 15,10 and 2 meters, phone, were in operation. CVE still is very active in handling traffic to and from Little America. The "Waylare" Y'L group of the Washington Area, under the guidance of Ethel, MSU, is getting under way in grand style and its calendar indicates a schedule of activities that can only
mean a greater acceleration of progress. Traffic: W3CVE 1156, WG 572, KL7BPG/W3 227, W3BUD 171, UE 93. ZGN 57, PRL54. UCR 51. PKC in. W5RVI/3 40, W3PQ汭, TN 25, COK 17, OYX 12, ZSR 10, NNX 6, BKE 4, CDG 4, HKS 2.

SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY - SCM, Herbert $\circ$. Brooks, K2BG, - SEC: YRW. PAM: ZI. EBW, Julie, had the top score in the section in the recent YL-OM Contest. K2DSL, Bunny, also did very well in the contest. Field Day is now past and plans are being made for next year. Many thanks to the SJRA. BCRC, HTRC und DVRA for their reports from the Field Day sites. SJRA celebrated its fortipth unniversary this month. Many of the original members were present, including the club's first president. The entire program was recorded for future enjoyment. lour SCM visited the Salem County Radio Club recently. RG continues to work DX with his transistor rig. Fifteen states have been worked on 7 Mc , plus VE2 and VE3. K2JGU has TVI troubles which he hopes to eliminate very sonn. Hal is doing a fine job on the phone trattic nets. MLW. New Jersey Net Manager ( 3695 kc .), has issued a very fine bulletin. K2CWJ, K2CPR and VX participated in the recent Frequency Measuring Test. We hope to apuoint K2HPV, Pennsprove, as OBS for Salem County in the near future. K2QXV, Northfield, is stationed at the Naval Air Station, Atlantic City. Many AREC forms are being received and will be forwarded to our new SEC, YRW. I'VE, Pleasantville, a new AREC member, is an ex-radioman in the Navy. All appointees are requested to report their activities each month on Form 1. No news was received from the Southern Counties Radio Club or the TriCity Radio Club. Traffic: W2HDW 147, RG 139, K2EWR 119. JGU 82, W27I 26. BZ.J 11, K2BG 7, CPR 2.

WESTERN NEW YORK-SCM, Edward G. Graf. W2SJV - SEC: UTH/FRL. RMB: RUF and ZRC. PAMs: TEP and NAL. NYS C.W. meets on 3615 kc . at 6 r.m. ; ESS on 3590 kc . at 6 r.m.; NYS Phone on 3825 kc . at 6 P.m.; TAR on 3570 kc . at 4 P.M. : NYS C.D. on 3509.5 and 3993 kc. at 9 A.M. Sun.; TCPN 2nd call area on 3970 kc . at 7 KM . SRPN on 3980 kc . at 10 A.M.; ISN on 3970 kc . at 3 p.m. Officers elected by the Chautauqua ARS are K2LBS, pres.; K2SPD, vice-pres.; GRB, secy.-treas. CTQ demonstrated RTTY at a meeting. A new ir. operator arrived at the QTH of DUC. PTC is conducting classes in Cataraugus and Randolph High Schools for KACES operators. RACES plans have been approved for the City and County of Oneida and for Ontario County. CXM made BPL in May when a station was set up for "Engincers Day" at Cornell T. K2HWW is active on 20 meters. RMB demonstrated RTTY at the SARA's May meeting. K2QQO is on 15 meters. Corning has a 6 -meter local net. K2s BHP and GWG and W2s YPQ and WZM have a round-table QSO on 10 meters while going to work. New officers of the RARA are PFI, pres. ; ZS, vicepres.: and QGL, secy.; ZHB, treas. WUB gave an interesting talk and demonstration to the RARA on the new Harvey-Wells equipment. New ifficers of the RARA 1.)X Assn. are B.IH, pres.; MA, vice-pres.: and QJM, secy. The DX 'Fest was held at MA's cottage. iNJM, ARRL NEC, addressed the RARA on Emergency Communications. The Ontario and Western New York V.H.F. Convention was held at Lockport with WFB giving a talk on "How to Operate Aurora and What to Expect," with results of meteor tests and scatter effects on 2 and 6 meters. The IPN has suspended operations for the summer. SRPN time is 1100 hours for the duration of Daylight Saving Time. PZJ now is K9DIZ. JZK gave a talk on Transistor V.F.O.'s before the SARS. NWD received an NYS C.W. Net certificate. Traffic: (June) W2RUF 291, K2IYP 164, LSF 164, W2ZRC 146, K2CUQ 71, W2OE' 45, COU 10, FEB 10. (May) W2CXM 249, COU 5. (Apr.) W2COU 23. (Mar.) W2COU 4.
WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA - SCM, R. M. Heck, W3NCD - SEC: GEG. RMs: NUG and GEG. PAM: AER. The Steel City ARC reports that AYY and TQK cleaned the club-house windows. Things should be looking brighter at KWH. APN has a 15 -meter converter in the car. SDV is retting DX on 15 and 40 meters. UHM moved into the house and is starting an antenna farm. OKU is s.s.b. LOR has a new NC-300. NKM has on order a new 40 -foot crank-up tower. The South Hills Brass Younders and Modulators reported an enjoyable Field Day even though the weather was very trying on the nerves. QNI is about ready to get on s.s.b. YCT has a 2-watt mobile in the car. LDB is building a new rig for the car, and also is going mobile as VKS. SIR has a new $T-90$ in the shack. WFR was mobile during vacation in Canada. KWY has a new Elmac in the bus. The Breeze Shooters Net, sjK, president, meets Mon. at 9 on 29 Mc . YIT is the first NCS
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at the new time. ZCP is mobile with an ST-203 and a Gonset. RUZ has a $54-H$ and Super Six. WDUQ/FM rave a boost to ham radio on May 27 th with ZSP. UUH and SDV narticipating. 3BOA/3 participated in Field IJay with all teen-agers as operators. EUL used one less rectitier than QST in the mystery box. KLP is experimenting with several whips on the car. APN has a 28-Mc. Minibeam. K $6 L C W$ is trying for a BSN certificate with 3 watts. Field Tay was unsuccessful locally. The Radio Association of Erie has been granted a change in the station call from LTK to W3GV, in memory of the late Dawson Bliley, who was one of the club's founders. VNC reports the c.d. gear is was one of in the Comtruk. LKJ is working on the 75-meter antenna for same. New officers of the RAE are VNC. pres. BFB, vice-pres.; LSB, secy.: UQG, treas.; and STK to fill the director's post vacated by TXZ. Ex-9DFX is now 3HAO and is living in Monessen. Traffic: W3WIQ 1965 YUL 67, ZEG 45, YA 12, LSS 10, UTR 3, UHN 2, BZR I.

## CENTRAL DIVISION

LLLINOIS - SCM, George Tischreiber, W9YIXSEC: HOA. Cook County EC: HPG. RM: BUK. PAM: UQT. Section nets: ILN, 3515 kc . Mon. through Fri.; IEN. 3940 kc . K9AMD is proud of her A-1 Operator Club certificate as well as the B\&W 5100 and HRO-60 her dad, VEY, Kave her. GSB has returned to the air after a long absence with a new Ranger and an old HRO. Field Day messages this year were ahead of last. Messages were received from the following portables: AP, AWE, BA, BQC, 'CLI, EJP, ERU, FAU, FEX, IAY, ILS,'KAL, NGI', OEY' OFR, OUİ, PCQ, PCS, SW, TFA and VT. The latter is the new call of the Tri-Town Radio Amateur club. A certificate of merit was awarded to ZRF, who served for more than two years as Radio Officer for the Chicago c.d. set-up. The Chicago Area Radio Club Council recommended SPB to succeed him. YLRL's new officers are MXI, KN9CQF, STR, und KN9BOC. New officers of the LARK are LDK, UON, IWP, YWH, BCB and ULN. Both groups jointly visited with 1 QON, on QST's staff, who passed through Chicago recently. JVI, the son of PHE, now is stationed in Alaska. AA has improved his break-in and now has more power on the air. The ILN gang said so long recently to K9CFJ, who left the C.A.A. in Chicago for an airport tower jub in Sioux Falls. He has applied for his uld call, USIR. FNX has a new DX-35 and his first DX contact was a 2 L . KJ built a 65 -foot wooden tower and now wonders how he is going to raise it. It looks beautiful on the ground. speaking of new sticks, ZOG now has his 2 -meter beam on top of an 85 -foot pole. K9AXL writes he is considering a 1000 -foot antenna built between two hills and an average if 20 feet above the ground. The following clubs have been awarded affiliation with ARRL: The Montgomery County Amateur Radio Emergency Corps, the Kankakee Area Radio Club, and the Rochelle Township High School RC. ZEN made a yachting trip down the lllinois and Mississippi Rivers, but no ham radio. Otticers of the Tri-Town Radio Amateur Club are YVM, CNF, BSF, ABI, KKN and FRZ. The Central Division Convention plans for 1957 are guing yreat guns. QKE has been appointed general manager and is working like a demon. What happened to the news this month, fellows? Weather too hot or vacations? Traffic seems to be off, too, the only ones making BPL this month were SHR and DO. Incidentally, DO lost his crown for the tirst time when his point total was topped by SHR. (See lielow.) 'Traffic: (June) W9SHR 1028, DO 898, MAK 366, YYG 250, DUA 207, UBI 125, YIX 114, AA 91, BUK 54 VEY 50, WJQ 49, K9AMD 46. W9ICF 46, K9AXL 36, VEY 50, WJQ 49, K9AMD 46, W9ICF 46, K9AXL 36
W9SXL 36, FAW 22, LL 21, STZ 21, OYL 15 , K9AUB 14, W9FRP 8, PCQ 5, PHE 3. (May) W9ICF 259, AA 173, K9AXL 22, AMD 15, W9EHY 11, K9ACH 4, W9VEY 3.

INDIANA - SCM, Seth Lew Baker, W9NTA - Asst. SCM: George H. Graue, 9BKJ. SEC: QYQ. RMs: DGA, $J B Q$, TQC and UQP. PAMs: CMT, EQO and UXK. Appointments: URQ as EC for Gibson Co., FHA as OES, and EJW as OPS. LFN has an 8X-99. New calls: KN9DPN Columbus, KN9DRP Kewanna. KN9DSG Culver. EQO reports IFN evening traffic as 271, morning 420, total 691 UQP gives QIN as 187. RFN had 87 reported by TT for TQC, who is on vacation. EHZ reports 794 for CAEN YBE' has a lst-class commercial ticket. A picnic was held at Bedford in honor of K9AMD, Carole, who is an A-1 Operator from Illinois and NCS of the net after the net Her parents are VEY and K9AXS. WHL and his XYL Mary, were hosts to about 40. Boat rides were given by WHL' and QYQ. Those making BPL were EHZ, NZZ (No. 64), and JYO, who has earned the medallion. LDB has a bicycle mobile running 2 watts. LBD has an appointment to the Indiana State Police and will be stationed in then Dunes Park District. WLY has 48 states. UWU won a scholarship to M.I.T. BKJ furnished communications for the Boy Scout Camporee. NZZ comments that 20 -meter conditions for Arctic tralfic are bad. CMT operated portable while in Chattanooga on vacation. JGS has the 10 -meter beam back up after reconstruction and is building a 4-250A final. EJW is Asst. EC for Marion Co. and has a new DX-100 on the air. KN9AVH has 34 states worked and 26
confirmed, plus some DX. YZO has a 75A-3 and a 32V-3 also 10 -meter mobile. DKR is installing a PE-104 and an Elmac in the car. KTX has $1-$ and $5-\mathrm{kw}$. power units. Field Day messages were received from MYI/M, EZS/M, 'TWA/M, YWF/M, ©ZI/M, USV/M, IP/9, SWC/9' JCF/9, VFW/9. KEG/9, ATS/9, DU'C/9, LIT, FGF' EHE, K9CQA/9, and K9AVO/9. A letter was received from DPE, who formerly operated K9FCN. Bill is now CN8JO in Morocco with Collins equipment running 100 watts on 15 meters to a rhombic and would like skeds TGH is building an s.s.b. rig at DePauw. PFO, editor of the Bison, would like news as she must have contacts over the entire state for good coverage. Traffic: (June) W9EHZ 1047, NZZ 690, JYO 604, ZYK 478. EGQ 442, EQO 370 TT 216. UKX 165 , SVZ 153, DGA 133, SVL 133, JOZ 132, TQC 128, UQP 112, SWD 96, KTX 74, DHJ 61, BKJ 53 , NTA 52, LGD 43, VNV 36, AB 33, QYQ 33, PQZ 32, DKR $9, \mathrm{GGS} 9$ BDP 8 17. 1 YVS 6, RZS 5, BVR 4, EJW 4, HUF 4, IGZ 4, KN9AVH 3, W9DZC 2, LIT 2, Z'SW 2. (May) W9EHE 42, FGX 8 LDB 3, AMW 1, W'LY 1. (Apr. W9FGX 10).

WISCONSIN - SCM, Reno W. Goetsch, W9RQM SEC: OVO. PAMs: AJU' and NRP. RMs: KQB and BVG Nets: WIN meets on 3535 kc at 7 p.m. daily; BEN on 3950 kc . at 6 P.M. daily; WPN at 1215 Mon.-Sat., 0930 Sun. Wisconsin mobile and c.d. frequency: $29,620 \mathrm{ko}$. CXY took part in Armed Forces Day and Field Day operation, and is TCC for CAN/EAN. KQB received a WAC certificate (all on 7 Mc .) and now has 71 worked with 57 cunfirmed. MCK is active on 9RN, WIN and CAN. SQM worked his first KL7 on 7 Mc . NHE has 100 watts to an 829 on 50 Mc. with a 5-over-5 beam. CFN is conducting a code class for the WVRA this summer. A few counties stil do not have Emergency Coordinators or KACES represen tation. Contact OVO, the SEC, for further information BCC and HQJ handled communications for the American Legion Picnic on July 4th. CFW has a new NC-300. BCC has a new DX-100. K9ASW received his General Class ticket and is keeping the 300 -watt 813 rig at Marquette U. (ODD) active. 2 KB is trustee of DWR (Wash. Jr. High School) and the rig is a pair of 807 s at 75 watts. CQR is looking for DX with his AT-1. UIV has a transistor transmitter. BIH and IDL are active on $75-$ meter phone. NJB left for W6-Land. KXK picked up a couple of new ones in XE4A and YVGAA. FCF is QRL building a new house and chases DX with what little spare time is left. NUW, SWQ BMR, 8LON, UDU, DSP, TCH, HDJ and EWC were active in Field Day. CBW had an accuracy of within .00003 per cent in the May F.M.T. AEM found it necessary to relinquish OO activity because of the press of other activity. A certificate (WIN) was issued to MCK. Please note the change in the frequency of WIN to 3535 kc . REQ vacationed at a cottage in JQP's resort near Three Lakes. Traftic: W9CXY 349, KQB 137, MCK 97, SAA 54, EIZ 26 SQM 15. AZN 11, NUW 9, RTP 9, NHE 6, RQM 6, CFN 4, OVO 3 .

## DAKOTA DIVISION

NORTH DAKOTA - SCM, Elmer J. Gabel, WøKTZ - Another FB hamfest is history. ARRL was well represented with President TSN the main speaker, Dakota Division Director PHR and Iowa SCM BDR in attendance Russ and his XYL spent a week in our fair State visiting FVG, DTX, ECX, HWD and KøBEA. Winners of the main prizes were ORU, an NC-300; GWJ, an Elmac transmitter, K0BEA a portable TV and VSK, who hit the jack pot, winning the pre-registration prize and fine prizes for each member of the family. TKX won the convention c.w contest, K0CNC the state, and KN6CXJ the Novice. ECG and POT arranged furloughs for the annual event. HNV worked 21 states on 6 meters in less than a month. KgCND is back on phone with a home-brew modulator and Ad venturer. Thanks, Kirk and Bruce, for the station activity reports. KøATK installed a new Gonset $G-66$ receiver in his new Mercury just in time for his vacation in Michigan Traffic: (June) WøFVG 42, KTZ 9, IHM 1. (May) WøFVG

2, K0ADI 19, W6IHM $12, \mathrm{KTZ} 11, \mathrm{KLP} 8$, KøCND 6.
SOUTH DAKOTA - XCM. Les Price, WGFLP - SCM assistants are APL, YKY, HOH, GQH, FKE, RMK, TI MZJ, and GDE. PAM: UVVL. RM: SMV. The 75-meter Emergency Net, RMK as NCS, had 28 sessions: RMK called 11, OII called 10, SCT called 7; QNI 444, high 24 low 0, average 15.5; QRC 64, high 8, low 0, average 2.285 informals 40 , high 7 , low 0 , average 1.428 . ELV reports the PDARC had 24 amateurs, 18 AREC and 3 logking operators on Field Day, with 4 stations on 40, 20, 15 and 75 meters. Father Fededia reports the Huron ARC had 35 members on for Field Day, 11 ECs. BLK reports the Black Hills ARC operated Field Day from a site northwest of Rapid City with 2 transmitters, 20 operators and 20 ECa. EQV reports the Signal Hill ARC worked Field Day from Mt. Roosevelt, near Deadwood, with 10 operators, two transmit ters and two receivers with 100 watts, using only one at a time. A new Vermillion licensee is KNGGJV. K5EEV stopped at Centerville in June. DTB, of Centerville, was married to Shirley Ebsen, of Beresford, June 11th. DTB is (Continued on page 86)


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MINNESOTA - SCM. Charles M. Bove, WaMXC Asst. SCM: Vince smythe, 0GGQ. SEC: $; T \mathrm{TX}$. RMs: KLG and DQL. PAMs: JIE and LUX. VBS is working for IInivac for the summer. The next Dakota Division Conrention will be held in St. Paul May 23,24 and $25,1957$. "This convention is koing to top all previous conventions in entertainment and prizes. There also will be an initiation into the Royal Order of the Wouff Hong. VBD was opersting portable zero at lake Washington. The wind wrecked a perfertly good 20 -meter beam for MXC during the recent Field Day activities. WDW was the first Minnesota contact in the Vermont QSO Party. DQL has sold his SX-2XA and has acquired an HQ-129X. UYJ and BUO Hew to the ARRL National Convention in San Francisco. According to KJZ there was an attendance of 25 YLs registered at the recent YLRL Convention. The SCM of Iowa, with his lovely wife, paid a visit to the Minneapolis Radio Club and was made an honorary member of this club. Russ is the leading traffic-handler in Iowa. KLG, of Dassel, also attended the same club mecting and was presented the Minnerpolis Radio Club WøFDS Trophy Award. The presentation was made by ITQ. This trophy is presented every year for meritorious contribution to amateur radio. If you know of anyone in the Minnesota section who has made any outstanding contribution to ham radio write in detail what he has accomplished, with his name, call and address and present it to the Minneapolis Kadio Club, Inc., for evaluation. The Minnesota Section Net has uppointed RLQ as its new net manager. The MSN/MJN held their annual net party at the home of QXA and QXF in Minneapolis. A wonderful time was had by all who attended. Traffic: WW 6 K. 7 402, DQL 350, KLG 177, TUS 168 . ALW 87, HGH 51, WDW 51, QR.J 46, GTX 37, WMA 37, TMJ 29, MXC 24, KFN 22, LST 22, QVR 22. RLQ $22^{\prime}$. QDZ 13, QXF 13, LUX 12. TCK 12, UMX 12 . VJS 12, QDZ 13, QXF 13, LUX 12. TCK 12, UMX 12

## DELTA DIVISION

LOUTSIANA - SCM, Thomas J. Morgavi, W5FMOIf you have not sent in your certificates for endorsement, check the expiration date and do so as soon as possible. FKA has been laid up but is back and active on 75 meters. FKA has been laid up but is back and active on 75 meters. in their cars. PKY is vacationing in Texas. ZSP reports that in addition to s.s.b. he ulso operates 2 and 6 meters. His XYL, KN5DEQ, is working for her Tech. Class license. WQX is active again after 13 months of inactivity. TFQ, Jefferson ARC pres., is active on all bands and snagging DX on 20 meters. FTW is on the air again after a 13 -year lapse with a Viking Ranger and an SX-25. K5AIE complains that no Field Day was held at Minden. KC spends his time on 20 and 15 meters trying to increase his country list. JFB now is in YV-Land. IIM and QQK are sporting new jr. operators. NDV reports activity in NTS, TXN and MARS with a good traffic count. EA has settled down in Monroe with KNOE. YSN was on a 2 -wcek vacation but his activity report shows 100 per cent traffic. HSM is rebuilding the old rig and expects to start again with the Welta 75 Net and get into some c.w. nets. VIC, YNG, FYZ, FKA, WQX, KRX, USN and KC recently renewed their ARRL appointments. ZNI has finished the new 20 A exciter and now is working on a linear amplifier. YCO reports 27 full and 15 supporting AREC members. Get your reports in early and accept an ARRL CD appointment. Traffic: K5AGJ 85, W5NDV 69, YSN 20, FMO 4, EA 3.

MISSISSIPPI - SCM, Julian G. Blakely, W5WZY K5BKU reports the affiliation of the Tupelo Amateur Radio Club with ARRL. HTA is president. Members to date are K5AYA, EHX, BSJ, FSE. ROB, ROC, HA, AMZ, AVD, LO, BX, WN5ANE and WN5AIC. plus six more waiting for their talking papers. Field Day received good participation in the section and results should be ineresting. Eight $/ 5 \mathrm{~s}$ were contacted direct from this Q'TH. KN5BKK walked up those long steps at FCC in Washington, D. C., and walked down them with W5RKK. LPG is active again and IGW is on phone but still puts in four or five hours a day on c.w. Plan to attend the big Jackson Hamfest in August. Jackson is working out a cooperative olan with the FCC to police its own complaints. Traffic: W5IGW 74, JHS 60, WZY 3 .
TENNESSEE - SCM, Harry C. Simpson, W4SCF -SEC: RRV. PAM: PFP. RM: IV.. Congratulations to planners of the Memphis Hamfest, which was an unusually fine event. Field Day messages were received from $\mathrm{KH} / 4$. K4DYE/4. NGO/4, SQE/4, EM/4. TMI/4, TRC/4 and PFP/4. PVD tested out his new emergency power unit during Field Day. K4DIZ reports operation of the Night Owl Net, 3970 kc . nightly, following the TCPN sessions. 411 stations are invited to participate. In June, 81 stations from 6 states reported in. NCSs are K4s DIZ, AOW and BEZ. UVU has a "private" 2 -meter link to his girl friend's dorm. WQW reports visits from SCF, HUT, BMI, and

K5DTO, and he visited K4AOK and HEZ. IV announces the fall C.W. Net meeting will be held at Gatlinburg's Greystone Hotel Sept. 8th. HUT and HSX are serving 6 -month stretches at Fit. Jackson. Congrats to UWA. a new Extra-Class ticket holder. He says XYL KNiJNI made KC'C on her first contact. Unusually nice bulletins were received from the Knoxville, Nashville. Bays Mounwain and Memphis Clubs. K4FFV reports he and K.4EC/ are now General Class in MIadison. ELU $V$ is now on $t$ meters. and his curiosity is aroused by a still-serret "project" of MMH and KtAMC. PL says he needs a rocking chair, whe another for his feet, but still manages to handle more raffic than the rest of the section put together! Traffic: W4PL 934, K4DIZ 244, W4HIH 123. VJ 59, BQG 57. IZD 50, UVL 34, IV 29 , K4BMC 28, W4HLR 28, SCF $2:$ OGC 19. TIE 14, YMB 13, WQT 12, BMI 8 , HUT 8 . PAH 8, EIN 7. CLM 6, K4GFL $\mathfrak{H}$, W EEWC 5 . TIZ UWA 5, W3AKJ 4, K4DSI 4, W4FER 4, DC'H 1, GEN 1 . PVD 1, UVU 1, VNE 1, WQW 1, ZJY 1.

## GREAT LAKES DIVISION

MICHIGAN - SCM, Thomas G. Mitchell, W8RAE Asst. SCM (phone): Bob Cooper, 8AQA: Asst. SCMI (c.w.): Ine Beljan, 8SCW. SEC: GJH. Hot weather and propagation conditions took their toll in the trafic department during June as was expected. The few Field Day repcrts that have come in as this report is being written indicate that conditions were not as good as they were during the 1955 week end, but we all had fun with the variety of weather encountered in our section. some units reported near-emergency conditions because of severe wind and rain while others enjoyed perfect weather. Reardless of scores, it is an excellent opportunity to get out with the rang and develop teamwork while giving our equipment: rood shakedown run. JYJ has been pushing traffic to the Heep-Frceze cang in KC4-Land. NOH now has 34 states on 50 Mc. and 13 worked on 144 Mc. FX still is feathering his new nest and spending his "spare time" getting his pp. 813 final ready for the fall traffic season. Via EGI comes word that SOX has been installing equipment in the State MOCD Control Center. This could be an indication that we may be about ready to establish our tie-in with them. Let's be ready when the time comes. TBP is rigging a new 7-Mc. vertical. That's the extent of the news or this month and shortly after this writing I'll be off for the trout waters of Montana. After lashing at them for wo weeks I hope to bring back more than stories and pic tures. Trattic: (June) W8JY.J 132. NOH 62, RVZ 58 , NUL 53. QQO 52, DAP 38, FWQ 34, AUD 29. FX 17, RAE 17. DSE 12, EGI 7, IUJ 6, SRK 4, SYV 2 , (Aa, W8TBP63, IUJ 14
OHIO - SCM. Wilson E. Weckel, W8AL - Asst SCMs: J. C. Erickson, 8DAE; and E. F. Bonnet. 8OWG SEC: UPB. RMs: IJAE and FYO. PAMs: HPP and HUX 6 WMV (ex-8QFZ) came back to Canton to bury his mother The Massillon ARC; had a speaker from Goodyear Aircraft RMJ, YAC and JID have new 75A-3 receivers. ISQ passed his General Class exam. AEU is the new Cuyahoga County EC. TZO's XYT, is KN8BOF and she gave him a jr. operator, delivered by PNY and under the care of AVB. Several Cincinnati XYLs are awaiting their tickets PBX built a new four-element beam on 6 meters. QIB noved to New Jersey. JDN is home from cullege. IZF wired up a Heath DX-35. EEQ's son is Novice HFX. SWZ put up a new 20 -meter beam. WRO worked a W6 with 3 watts. VSB is T'oledo's "Ham of the Month." DJC is recuperating from another attack of malaria. FMJ has his General Class ticket. ESW has retired after 30 years as a fireman. FVI received his Bachelor of Science in Engineering Physics degree. RYA, Lucas County EC, held a successful mock test with 16 mobiles taking part. OSD the daughter of QOV and SPU, is guing to Ohio State this summer. A tragic plane crash took the lives of SYJ, his YYL and young son. Ohio is taking it easy after the usua Field Day with its rain and wind storms in many parts of the State. OHZ is in the hospital for an operation. PLQ finished a 6-meter rig and now can operate on all bands from 80 through 2 meters. This month starts the lull season with its vacations, so I want to take this opportunity to thank the various clubs for sending me their bulletins from which I gather most of my news. Traffic: W8UPH 547, VTP 332, HXB 88, DAE 83. PLQ 77, CTZ 64, IIR 64, 4L 41, RO 38, ARO 22, HZJ 20, GZ 8, MGC 5, CVZ 4 LMB 4 , PBX 4, EEQ 3, QIE 2.

## HUDSON DIVISION

FASTERN NEW YORK - SCM, Gcorge W. Tracy, W2EFU - SEC: KGC. RM: BXP. PAMs: GDD. IJG and NOC. Section Nets: NYS on 3615 kc . at 1900 EDT: NYSPETN on 3925 kc . at 1800 EDT; SRPN on 3980 kc . ut 1100 EDT; ESS on 3590 kc . at 1800 EDT. The Interstate Net (IPN) has suspended operations for the summer and will resume this fall. The following clubs reported activity on Field Day: Albany, Harmonic Hill, IBM and Schenectady. Members of the SRPN held a picnic at Thompson's Lake on July 14 th. K2EKE is using a grounded-grid 813 with another to he added soun. Har(Continued on prage $४ 8)$

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monic Hill members who were active during the Mt. Vernon Fire Dept. Parade included KGV, K2AEH, DRN, GJC. GZM, LOZ and RUU. AWF was heard from Lake Placid during his varation. HEF plans z-meter operation this summer. Your SCM was guest of the IBM Club on Julv 3rd. KTX has a new 10 -meter beam and is enjoying meter mobile. A large turnout attended the NYSPETN picnic at Cireen Lakes State Park in Syracuse on July 28 th. PHX is busy representing Yonkers on both the NLI and NYS with nice trattic totals. New appointments include CYW as OO and K2HPQ as OPS. The Harmonic Hill Club held an auction at Mt. Kisco on July 6th. K2PPB has installed a phone patch to his Viking which uses ultra modulation. All ECs are urged to forward their certiticates to the SEC for endorsement so that his AREC records can be brought up to date. Clubs without a news sheet are reminded to keep the SCM posted on their activities so that their members can receive recognition in this column. Instruct your club secretary to send in a letter each month. Traffic: (June) W2BXP 190, PHX 120, EFU 114, K2EKE 48, HPQ 29, W2ATA 24. K2JEQ 13, W2GDD 12. KGC 10. K2QIX 9, EDH 4. HJX 4, BBJ 3. AWA 1, WこUID 1. (May) K2PPB 194 , EHI 56, EDH 15, BE 4.
NEW YORK CITY AND LONG ISLAND - SCMI, Harry J. Dannals, W2TUK - SEC: ADO. PAM : OBF, RMI: WFL. Section Nets: NLI, 3630 ke. nightly at 1930 EDST and Sat. at 1915 EDST. NIC-IIPN, 3908 kc . Mon. through Sat. from 1730 to 1830 EDST. The section was well represented with Field Day activity. Sixteen messages were received by your SCM from groups in the field. WFL reports that NLI handled 140 messages, averaging 10 stations per session. The NYC-LIPN held $2 t$ sessions. with Manager OBW reporting 117 messages handled. KEB and KFV again made BPL with totals over the 1000 mark. ZAI, 10-meter EC for Nassau, renorts excellent results with a telephone alerting system. A recent test of the system resulted in 11 mobiles arriving at a central point in the county in less than an hour. Other nets might consider this system. K2MYW received his Gieneral Class license. Flat tires plagued some of the Field Day crew. YHP coming up with two and K2HZC three! K2KUMI dropped the "N." AEV soon will be heard with a "full gallon." K2CUI writes from Paris. France, and sends his regards to NLI. K2CRK represents the Brons in NYCLIPN. JGV now has a four-tlement beam on 10 meters. Fifty-eight countries have now replied to K2DEMI. AEE. with operators PHX, K2s DUT and IKI, and 1SDO, operated Field Day from Camp Columbia, Conn. New Novices are brothers KN2s T'BU and TBW. INN2SWI is a new call in Oceanside. A new Viking v.f.o. cleared the chirps at K2OPJ. K2DVT is putting up a new 80-meter Zepp so that the NLI gang can hear him better. The latest nember of the NLI is KiLLWK. MES and ZPG put up 10 -meter ground planes. The Tu-Boro RC has 14 mobiles on 10 meters. K2JZR operated portahle from the Boy Scout Camp it Wading River. FY7YF made it 72 for K2GWW, who will join the Marines in October. K2KRJ is mobile on 144 Mc . with a Communicator. BO and his XYL mobiled 7150 miles to the West Coast and return. stopping for the Rocky Mountain Division Convention in Colorado. YBT is now mobile on 75 meters. K2KRC is building a 600 -watt rig for 6 meters. K2KSY sonn will have 350 watts on 14 Mc. AOD worked WOF and RVY on 420 Mc. during the V.H.F. Contest. BQM hit 139 countries on phone with a KC4USA contact. ENW put up a ten-element horizontal beam for 144 Mc . and an all-band trap antenna. IN soon will be heard from his new QTH in Staten Island where he is now erecting antennas. JCA has a trap antenna for his $80-m e t e r$ work. K2PAY dropped the " $N$ " and has porked five states on 75 meters with his 8 -watter. Recent B-meter openings were tremendous, your SCM hearing 15 states in as many minutes. Many cases of TVI have resulted from these upenings, however, not from amateurs but from DX TV stations fighting for Channels 2, 4 and 5. You are urged to explain this type of interference to TV viewers who might falsely point a finger at the amateur. Ex-DLO signs K4IXG and not IGX, as previously reported. Pete now has his OES appointment in the Eastern Florida section and will be looking for the NLI boys in the CD Parties. All appointees are reminded that monthly reports are due in your SCM's hands by the 5th of each month. If you wish, send your reports by radio on our section's nets. NLI and NYC-LIPN. TUK will report into the nets as often as possible for SCM traffic. MSK, of the Trylon Radio Cluh, sends code practice for beginners. Traffic: (June) W2KEB 1162, KFV 1116.JGV 97. K2DEM/2 67. W2AEE 66, TUK 65, WFL 56, 7UM 5i K2AMP 47 KXZ 32, OPJ 31, LVT 27, W2GP 25, K2RJO 23, W2PDU' 21, FTV 20, K2LWK 19. W2LPJ 18. LAG 13, K2IHD 12. W2HAC 10. PF 10, L) LiS 9, K2JZR 9 . (WWW 8, W2OBW 6, K2CRK 5. W2EC 5, K2KRJ 5. ADL 4, W2BO 4. IVS 3. YBT 3. K2KRC 2, W2ELK 1. (May) K2AMP 33. (Apr.) W2JGV 50.

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY - SCM, Lloyd H. Manamon, W2VQR - SEC: IIN. PAM: CCS. RMs: MLW, CGG and NKD. The New Jersey Net meets at 1900 hours Mon. through Sat. un 3695 kc . Net Manager MLW is to be congratulated on his efforts in editing and circulating the first NJN news letter. It is a very excellent paper. The (Continued on page 90)

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New Jersey (ivil Defense Net meets at o930 hours each Sun. on 3505.5 kc . Net Manager is RG, who has been doing a terrific service for amateur radio by his constant plugging of network activities. Hot weather and summer vacations are no deterrent to the volume of traffic handled hy N.IN. The records show a steady increase since last Frbruary. We hope that the Bloomfield RACES group will continue to publish its monthly news letter. The Signal, after the departure of ZPD, editor-in-chief, who has moved to at new QTH in Inion county. KeGFX is on $1+4 \mathrm{Mc}$. with a new rig. KiEMIJ has installed a new three-element $28-\mathrm{Mc}$. beam. The Fenn-Jersey Radio Clith was heard working s.s.b. during Field Day. ZVW is on the air frequently from 3 NF, his alternate QTH. K2BWQ has returned from a 12-day cruise aboard the SS Santa Rasa on a Caribbean course to South America and the Netherlands Antilles. GVU operated from W6-Land during his recent vacation. The purtable rig ran $7 / 10$ of a watt input. Net results, whe eontact but. $E$ for effort, all of this of course erystal control on 7010 kc . Welcome to K2BHQ, the first of the former Southern New Jersey boys to send in his traffic report. K2GVZ is leaving for Wi-Land. IINU has receiver trouble. TLW is moving his QTH to Oakland. K2GBP has entered the U. S. Naval Academy. COT was aetive during Field Day from atop High Point Park, the highest elevation in New Jersey. The group consisted of the Maplewood (I.D. Communications Unit. (IIMM and AWL are very active in the Long Branch RACES Communications Unit. K?ICE is planning on SUU-NIc. operation this fall. K2IPR is plugaing KTTY on 144 Mc. Rumor has it that HJL has given up and is going horizontal on 144 Mc. NIE has turned to repairing his TV set after a six-week black-out. That is une way to eliminate TVI. K!DHE, County RACES Officer, is hard at work completing the radio installation at County Control. New Jersey now has 21 completely-equipped all-band RACES County Control Centers. All equipment has been supplied by the New Jersev State C.D. officials. K.2DO has done an exceptional job in Morris County in his offirial capacity rs RO. The same surs for S.JB in Somerset county, and GNQ in Bergen. K2DUZ is the new County RACES RO in Hudson. NJN traffic summary shows 26 sessions held for June with an attendance of 350 and a trattic count of 186. Traffic: W2MLW 287, K2EB 142, EQP 79, W2BRC 50, K2BHQ 31. W2ZVW 31. K2GFX 19, W2OXL 13, K2EMJ 10, W2DRV 8, CFB 4, NIY 2, CVW 1.

## MIDWEST DIVISION

IOWA - SCMI, Russell B. Marquis. WgBDR - TWX Iowa City, and WDS, Bataria, have joined silent Keys. The annual 160-meter Net Pienic was held in Webster City with 1 ti7 hams present. NWX. Midwest Division Director, was the featured speaker. New officers of the Council Bluffs Radio Operators Club are LGO. pres.; YXI, vice-pres.; and RQW, secy.-treas. MG has been appointed the new SEC for Iowa. U'TD has received an URS appointment. QVA renewed his RMI and ORS appointments. KøDBW received a TLCN Section Net rertificate. KGX and PIK, Cliff and Mable, are moving to California. EFL is being assigned kitchen duties since his XYL , LliG. is in line for a medallion with her third BPL. GXQ and RQW are new TLCN members. Field Day messares were received from 17 set-ups. KøANL has a new sideband rig. USQ is muing great on 6 meters, working an LU aud an XE and several new states. AEH has a new rutator for his $\mathcal{L}$-meter beam. PTL vacutioned in California and G0.AEY went to Colorado for his. The Cedar Rapids gang supplied mobiles to help locate numerous stray model airnlanes at a local meet. F. E. Handy, 1BDI, attended the Des Moines Cluh mereting and gave a nice talk on ARRL activities. KgGHH is a new ham in swea (ity. Traftic: (June) WaSCA 106", BDR 750. LGG 554, BJP 489, PZO 439, LCX 369. ©Z 213, QVA 95, SQE 82, LJW 6it, EHH 56, PKT 44. KVJ 35, OTD 34, NGS 2, YCL 2 VWF 15. K0BEC 11, DBW 11, WøFIMI 10, NYX 9, KQW 9, BSG 8, KøAVZ 6, WøZPM 6. IHC 4. HNE 3. FMZ 2. QQA 1. (Nay') WaPZO 179.
KANSAS - SCM, Earl N. Johnston, WøICV - SEC: PAII. PAM: FNS. RM: QGG. Eleven radio clubs were known to have narticipated in Field Day this year. Messages were received from the Ottawa Radio Emergency Olub. using KFU/6; the EI Dorado Kansus Amateur Radio Club. LUI/ 6 ; the Central Kansas Amateur Radio Club, K0AST/ $\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\text {; }}$ the Johnson County Rarlio Amateur Club; the Dodge City Amateur Radio Club: the Liaw Valley Radio Club; the Lawrence Amateur Radio Club; the Hutchinson Amateur Radio Club, and many other groups which did not state their names. On June 17th the amateurs in Ft. Scott held a pienic at Gunn Park with 17 amateurs attending. Plans for another get-together later in the summer were formulated. MVG sent in a very fine log of stations worked in the V.H.F. Purty. JAS had just finished a new rig which was used and worked very FB. MVG passes along information that the new TV IIP Drake filter keeps out even 6 -meter ' $\Gamma V I$ from sets, so give 6 meters a whirl. TOL/M now has such de luxe mobile equipment as a ( x -ff 6 receiver and an AF-67 transmitter in his car. MIXG also has a new $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{f} 6 \mathrm{in}$ his new Chevvie. C.II is the new EC for Harper, Sumner and Cowley Counties. Traflic: (June) (Continued on page 9\%)


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MISSOURI - SCM, James W. Hoover, WGGEP - The Suburban Radio Club literally "smoked out" some equipment troubles during Field Day-lightning ruined a 10 meter beam and heat, along with humidity, finished some transformers and condensers. The Eandhoppers Radio Club smoked out some difficulties in a 75A-2 and an Elmac AF-67 on the same occasion. WFF is operating fixed portable in Ferguson for the summer. SAK has a new 150 -watt transmitter. Incorporation papers have been approved by the Circuit Court for the Southwest Missouri Amateur Radio Club. The hamfest sponsored by the North Missouri Amateur Radio Club in Moberly on June 24th was attended by 105. Vandals broke into the home of KøBDT, and the house and rig were extensively damaged by fire and water. WIC has taken a position with Southwestern Bell Telephone in has taken a position with southwestern Bell Telephone in
Oklahoma City. JHY has a new Gonset Commander and is building a ham shack in the basement. QFD has moved to Denver. WAP and BVL have received 5000 and 10,000 Tratikers Certificates, respectively. A number of 10 -meter mobiles operating under RACES authorization furnished communications during an evacuation test in Webster Groves. The Bandhoppers Radio Club furnished four 6 -meter stations operating under RACES authorization to assist Auxiliary CD Police with traffic control at the Dit. Charles Bridge during the McDonnell Aircraft Corp. picnic in St. Charles. Traffic: WøCPI 1418, GAR 1044, GBJ 352 , OMM 84. HUI 81, KIK 51. WFF 43. OUD 41, SAK 20, RTW 26. IIR 22, BUL 9, OVV 9, EBE 8, YKC 7, ECE 6' KøAWC 4, WøGEP 4, MFB 4, OIV 4, WAP 3, KøBDT 2.

NEBRASKA - SCM, Floyd B. Campbell, W@CBH Asst. SCM: Tom Boydston, 9 VYX . SEC: JDJ. PAM: MAO. KXD has a new NC-300 and a $5100-\mathrm{B}$. Lefty traded cars and now has the mobile-installation problem to take care of. LRK sure has plans for the mobile in the new automobile. BOB built a loop that has given fine results at the North Platte hidden transmitter hunts. ERM recently spent his vacation in Florida but mobiling wasn't so good. Field Day reports: Fairbury had 5 operators, Ak-Sar-Ben Club had 24 operators. Crete Amateur Radio Club had 5 operators, Beatrice had 11 operators, the Tri City Radio Club had 15 operators and 4 transmitters. KøCDG found that the hum in his rig could be eliminated by an oil can wedged between two modulation tubes and the power transformer. Seward County operators are rapidly signing up for c.d. Oificers are VEY, EC and Radio Officer, and ZVGG, alternate. Tabulation for the three Nebraska nets are: 75 -meter emergency phone net, 1230 CST ( 3983 kc .). QNIs 635, average 21.2 , tratic 39 , average 1.3 , time in minutes 732, average 24.4. The Morning Net, 0730 CST ( 3983 kc .), QNIs 461, average 15.4; traffic 74, average 25.7; time in minutes 980 , average 32.7 . NSS Net QNIs 181, average 8 ; traffic 25, average 0.8; time in minutes 1134, uverage 37.8.


 WøBYK 8, TFZ 5 . KFY 4, KLB 4, PDJ 4, ZWF 4, AQQ ${ }^{2}$. KVO 2, VZJ 2, FRS 1.

## NEW ENGLAND DIVISION

CONNECTICUT - SCM, Milton E. Chaffee, W1EFIV SEC: LKF. RM: KYQ. PAM: YBH. Traffic nets: MCN. Mon.-Fri. 0645 on 3640 kc.; CN, Mon.-Sat. 1845 on 36.10 kc.; CPN, Mon.-Sat. 1800 on 3880 kc . and Sun. at 1000 on 3880 kc . There is always room for improved coverage on any of these nets, so why not join the net that suits you best? Every good operator handles traffic now and then just to keep up his skill for emergencies. IOB is enjoying DX on 20 meters with a new GPR-90 receiver. GST and GFL have new Viking II rigs. GAV applied for OES for more fun on 6 meters. V.h.f. and Field Day events brought out the contest spirit in several Connecticut clubs. Appointments: IUC as ORS; DHP as OPS. ORS renewals went to BIH. HYF, YNC and BFS. How about your appointment? Time to renew? CPN report from YBH: 30 sessions, traffic 267 , most active YBH (30), DHP (28). and VWL (26); new members FKE, IUC and TVU. YBH rates a BPL medallion, having made BPL 4 times. MCN reports 46 messages handled in 21 sessions, a veracing 2.2 per session, with QNI honors to RGB, RFJ and BVB. WHL and HCZ are active on 6 meters in Hamden. BDI reports trattic and other activities were curtailed while he made ARRL field trips to the Midwest and West Coast. ANU gave up his OO appointment for school activities. DL4II/W1RAN sends a nice note telling of meeting with PAø, OE, HB9 and $F$ hams and hopes for a trip to $O H 2 R Y$ in September. IUC claims the ragchewing record by a QSO on 3636 kc . with K2EWR for $y$ hours and 2 minutes. Any challengers? VLH reports a new 144-Mc. antenna. 32 elements, 100 ft . high, for use in spare time from the ARRL Technical Dept. FVV furnished an OES report of activity on 6 meters. The CN report from KYQ shows traffic as 220 in 26 sessions for (Continued on pape 94)


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an average of 8.4 with $\mathrm{R}(\mathrm{iB}$ (23), KYQ (22) and AW (19) leading QNI. GNS has a new Viking and vifo. going at Bristol. Novice KAM is busy on 80 meters at Milford. INP is CAP Nirector of Communications for Connecticut CAP. Traffic: W1YBH 333, AW 232, KYQ 166. EFW 127. YNC 117, RGB 78, DHP 49. UTY 39, C'UA 38, IUC 35, TYQ 32. RRE 25, BVB 20, BDI 9. GVJ 9, HYF 6, AVS 4, KV 4.

MAINE - SCM. Allan D. Duntley, W1BPI VYA SEC: TVB. PAM: FCS. RM: EFR. OO: WKZ. The Pine Tree Net meets Mon., Wed., and Fri., on 3596 kc . at 1900 : the Barn Yard Net Nion. through sat. on $3960 \mathrm{kc} .080(0)$ 0930; the Sea Gull Net on $34+0 \mathrm{kc}$. Mon. through Sat, at 1700-1800; the Horse Traders Net on 3940 kc. Sun. 17001800; the state C.L. Net on 3993 kc. Sun. $1100-1200$. We are very happy to announce the appointment of FCS, Harry Parlee, as Phone Activities Manager for Maine. Let's all get together and give him a helping hand where we can. If asked to take the sea Gull Net, let's do it. How high is JVU's new tower with the stacked 2 -meter array on it? NXX and Maynard have a novel way of erecting towers -- ask them to give you a lift. Cumberland County's new tower and beam are working out very well. Androscoggin County has a 2 -meter vertical beam. Has UZR swapped the "Peach Colored Plymouth" for some other make? We saw some fine Field Day layouts this year, and were pleased to see and hear so much activity on the u.h.f. frequencies. Congrats to KNV in passing her Geueral Class exam. Polly: will be a fine addition to the gang on 3960 ke . WSN, from Milton, Mass., has been operating portable at (amp Brunonia, in Casco, and doing a fine job with a group of Novices. VXU has a new car but Anita says "no holes in it, Chummy" so no mohile as yet. FNT is expected back on with a TVIed rig soon. Tratlic: W1LKP 90, WTG 00. CEV 36, EFR 31, UDD 24, Jis 23, ZME 17, ZUL 14 . BDP 7.
EASTERN MASSACIUSETTS - SCM. Frank L. Baker, ir., W1ALP - Appointments endorsed: MKW Dennis. SS Lincoln, LQQ Hamilton as ECs; JNV, QLT, MKW, LQQ and WK as OOs; SRG and $L Q Q$ as ORSs: LQQ as OPB. UXQ has a new son. ACB and UXQ are Alternate Radio OHicers for Quincy. AHA, Wakefield, is on 6 and 80 meters. LES and FMW are on $\because$ meters. WB is on a trip to Europe. WN1IWK was out on Field Day in Hopkinton. Most of the clubs in this section were out on Field Day. The South Shore Club, LA, was up on Forbes Hill in Quincy. HIX, Hudson, has his General Class license. AUQ, EAE and IRV are in the Eastern Mass. Traffic Net. EAE plays chess on the air. The following took part in ARRL's May F.M.T.: BGW, TVZ, LQQ, AUQ, THO and K1USA, SSS has a new T-90 transmitter. WGN has a new son. SPE has a TBS-50D with VFO on 3.8 and 7 Me . HBM is on 15 meters with a DX-35. WN 1s KSY and 1LT, father and son, ure working for General Class tickets. TZU is active, fixed and mobile. MUM is coming along after an auto accident. The Cornnll-Dubilier plant in New Bedford has a ham in almost every department. UIR moved into the suburbs so he can have more room. AVY asks mobile hams touring the area to look on $29,060 \mathrm{kc}$. for QSOS and any information. Area 1 Radio Comm. held a meeting with KTG, TQP, ZYX, ALP and AWA present. $\Lambda \mathrm{CL}$ moved to Braintrec. UG has a new 42-ft. Matthews cruiser. UH is improving his DX-100. DYS is replacing his 6 -meter dipole. CFU is putting in a hot front end in his RAO. LGU is boating. LVN is painting his house. RM is in New Hampshire with a 2 -meter rig. SXD is putting a $2 \mathrm{H}^{\prime} 26$ on 6 meters. NAV is busy with cook-outs. LHV is mobile on 2 meters. EK is making weather instruments. JOW is working with the Newton Police. BL has a coupe from which to work portable. LMU visited HXP and JGA in New Hampshire. NEM and MJJA are doing lots of Hying. JNV was top UO for 1955-56, and has 172 confirmed countries. 181 claimed. with 500 to $8(10$ watts with a three-element beam. Sector $2 C$ Hq. at South Dennis has BCN as RO. IPPO is building a 15 -meter beam. VWZ is on 2 and 75 meters. FZH is on $:$ meters. WNIKXE is a new ham in Hyannis on 2 and 80 meters. EUE and UMC are on 2 -mobile marine. OH is leaving the area for a while. TYZ worked him on 10 meters from Florida. PSS is on 2 meters. CFQ has a new QTII with a $60-\mathrm{ft}$. beam on 2 meters. MKW tnok a Gonset to sea and had the Coast Guard looking for him because of a tube failure. Cape Cud c.w. frequency is 3615 ke ; phone 3910 ke . and 145.26 Mc. GRC is home from the hospital and working urain. Active on 5 meters: ADL, BCN, BJ, CQ, DDN, FFL, EGY, GES. HXY, IVF, KBN, KEZ, LKD, QKY/1, UVC, WAC, WHC, YDZ, 'ZOC, MEG, MMY, BUR', AXA, EMY', FCP, FNQ, JCI, JQA, KKB, LNX, TEC, UAI and WTK. ETB has a DX-35 and a Windom antenna. IHC has two opposed parabolic type v.h.f. antennas. The South Shore Club held its last meeting and annual banquet at the Winfield House in Quincy with the installation of new oflicers. Radio Open House held its last meeting of the season. EMG is handling hobby show messuges. 4ilRF, who was at K1USA, was discharged June 5 th. BPW built a new rig for 80 -meter $v . f . o$. AOG has been on $40-$ meter c. $w$. QL' $\Gamma$ replaced the 807 with a 6146 in the rig and it Forks better. CCM is building an electronic key. Traftic: (June) W1FMIG 287 , K1USA 214, W1AVY 55, GNX 44. LDK 30, AUQ 29, CUW 21, UKO 21, BPW 11. SMIO 10. TY 9, WU 9 , (Continued on puife ?()

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WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS - $\bar{S} C M$, Osborne $R$. McKeraghan, W1HRV - SEC: RRX. RM: BVR. PAM: QWJ. The WMCW Net meets on $35(\mathrm{jO} \mathrm{kc}$. Mon. th ough Sat. at 1900 EDST. Vacations and other summertime activities are taking their toll on net attendance. Get on the net as often as yossible, fellows. OPS endorsements go to DPY and BYH; ORS endorsement to AJX. New Novices in the section are JQT, JMG, JQU, IVL, and IVK. IDS and KGJ are now General Class,ticket holders. DGL has received a WAS certificate. EC SPF, of Worcester, reports organization of the Greater Worcester Phone Net, which will replace the now defunct Worcester C.D. Net. He has received the enthusiastic cooperation of the hams in his area in forming this net. The Pittstield Kadio Club, OSA, had a good Field Day with 572 contacts on 5 rigs. Included were iX contacts with New Zealand and Hawaii. AGMI reports working four New England states on 10-meter phone using emergency power at his hilltop location during Field Day activities. SCM HRV, accompanied by STR, formerly of Fitchburg, visited the Montachuset Radio Club of Fitchbury at its regular meeting June 29th. Section activities were discussed and ARRL slides on AREC were shown. Reports on activities in the section are light this month. How about it, fellows, let's hear from you. Traffic: W1BVR 70, AJX 39, HRV 30, SPF 12, TAY 10, AGM 2.

NEW HAMPSHIRE - SCM, Harold J. Preble, W1HS --SEC: BXU. RMs: CRW and COC. PAM: CDX. The New Hampshire State ARRL Convention will be held at the State Armory in Concord on Sept. 30th. Granite State P.N. held a picnic for members and families at Sunapee State Park June 17 th. George Urlwin, an old-timer, is back on the air with a new call, KOC. ARR is much pleased with his new HQ-129X. KGV has received her General Class ticket. HS's XYL is WN1KND. COC has a new modulator and more power in the final. The Concord Brasspounders had 9 Field Day set-ups on Oak Hill and early reports indicate a better score than last year in spite of unfavorable operation conditions on most bands. BYS is going mobile with an AF-67 and G-66. ECs for the ten New Hampshire counties are all set up under the State RACES plan and are formulating plans for local emergency operations. Contact your local EC if interested in the RACES program. The State Radio Officer and SEC ia BXU. He also will be pleased to give you the dope. WBM stopped in for a visit and his Plymouth is so loaded with mobile equipment there is not much room for passenkers in the front seat. Welcome to Novices JFL, JTB. KCY, KCG, KCZ, KIV. KJS, KJW, and KJZ. Traffic: (June) WIHOU 85, ARR 26, QGU 23, COC 12, HS 7, FZ 3. (May) WICOC 16.
RHODE ISLAND - SCM. Walter B. Hanson, jr., W1KKR - The NARRO came through with many items this month. NCX is back on 10 meters snagging DX. IXB is a new member and on the air, together with CDV and Karl Johnson. ICJ is in charge of the new club room with time to work KL7 on 10 meters. KNE and YLH are trout tishing while BFB and CJH are golfing. Both ZPT and HCG are working DX. The PRA is coming along with the new club building, with members hitting nails and thumbs every Tuesday evening. The PRA is sponsoring the ARRL New England Division Convention to be held Oct. 2lst and welcomes any suggestions or assistance in conducting the program. FEO has his General Class license and a new Lettine 2-meter transmitter. VXC reports 27 stations in RIIN in the month. Field Day was a big success in the section and received very favorable comment in the press. The SCM regrets his inability to run for office for the next two years after the expiration of his term on Oct. 15th and suggests that all interested groups plan for their candidates. Tratic: W1H'TQ 109, UTA 107, VXC 56, K2SKK 17.
VERMONT - Acting SCM, Mrs. Ann L. Chandler. WIOAK - SEC: SIO. RM: OAK. VTN, 3520 kc . 1830 Mon., Wed., Fri.. and Sat. summer schedule); VTPN, 3860 kc . (Sun. 0930); GMN, 3860 kc . (Mon. through Nat 1200-1300). OO, OBS, OPS, and EC endorsements went to AVP. UGW enjoyed the April CD Party from 4KFC with 600 QSOs in 64 sections in 19 hours, and also was on from 3TMZ during the Vermont QSO Party. IT is mobile on 75 meters. VMC, the new GMN net manager, reported 551 stations on during June, clearing 53 messages. MMV's total 15 -meter phone DX is 156 countries worked and 147 confirmed, with YV0AA, XE4A, FB8BZ, BV1US and 9 S4AK the latest worked. Jerry now is mobile on 10 meters in a brand-new Plymouth with Vermont license plates 7388! A notch behind on 10-meter phone is EKU with 155 countries worked and 143 confirmed. The International Field Day held June 10th at Malletts Bay was enjoyed by ali who attended. MMV won the 10 -meter treasure hunt. The annual Burlington and Montreal get-together will be held Oct. 6th at Dorval Airport and Edgewater Hotel Point Claire. Write NLO for details and tickets. K6KVY (ex-W1MLJ) was home for his son's graduation from Norwich U. DFTU has a new Windom antenns. ZLH/1 operated Field Day at Ripton using emergency power, two transmitters and six operators. LYD is enjoying the new Johnson Viking Matchbox antenna coupler. JLZ and family (Continued on prage 98)

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are back home in St．Johnsbury．VSA is the new Burlington Area EC．Club station TRZ 1 did well in the Field Day on 2 and 6 meters at Hog Back Mt．I ICZ left for the Navy New members of the Tri－（＇lub are l－HI and wife Ifelen． 9BC．A．Who now are living in Brattleboro．Helen，who has been blind since birth．will be hearl on to meters．OAK is the newly－appointed R．ACES State Rudio Otfirer．It is indeed a pleasure for me to serve this section as Acting SCM，and I wish to rerguest all Vermont amateurs to keep me informed with news on your artivities．Tratfic：W1OAK xt．I＇l $i=\%$ NM 7.

## NORTHWESTERN DIVISION

IDAIIO－SCM．Alan K．Ross．W7IWU－－Sorry I missed the report last month hut I was busv with a new ith harmonic，plus adding a new room to the house．It would seem that yours truly had better bow out as SCM， hwing held the office for ten vears．My term was up in Itane and because of the uressure of house－holding I fred I rannot in the job justice．I hive met many tine friends． －ither in berson or by correspundence，through my work as SCM．Send in your nominations to the ARKL and in the meantime I will write a line or two for this section．Every ，ne has been busy getting ready for＂Operation Alert，＂ just conduded．RkI is publishing the Hobo Ham ，a serpue （1）the Mambone．fEBK visited IWU overnight with liB skeds on e $W$ ．from his mobile while en route

MONTANA－SCM，Leslie E．Crouter，W7CT－－The LIarlo Radio（lub tonk part in Findd Day activitics with six ouerators and used one transmitter from a ranch five miles south of Harlowton．WN7F，CF is a new call in Harlo $W 7(L 1)$ ，CTM and WN7YTG have taken Conditiona Class examinations．IILB and IIIC have new．IXX－100s． OqC：of Havre．JHK of Billinge and WI）E of Winifred at ended the llarlo Ham Pienic．The Bozeman Junior field 1）ay Club operated from an old cow shed three miles south of Bozeman with four overators．The Junior Division of the Butte Amateur Radio Club onerated with emergenes power from the shack of I＇IN and had five operators． Three Forks had a Field l）ay with three onerators on Clarks Peak．The Old laithful Radio Club of Livingston is mow an ARRL aftiliated club．BPG is a new rall in Cut Bank．YZQ has rompleted Conelrat for his rar．Hon＇ forget that Conelrad becomes a remuirement next Junuary first．The Bozeman Junior Field Way Club（under 16 veary of age）did tery fine for its tirst try at l＇ield Day and promises to do pien hetter nevt year．Recent appointments： UPR as EC：YHS as OPS，FIS as ORS．Tratiic：（June） W7CT 3．sM：ay W7FIS 18，XHS シ．
OREGON－SCM．Edward F．Conyngham．W7ESJ－ ATQ received a sift of a $k w$ ．transformer and now is dream－ ing of kll．riks．VIf，has been on the sick list．．IPF is hos pitalized．．Je． I is on jury duty，su no hamming there HDN＇s sarden artivity is long，ham artivity short．TMIF is making preparations for the OEN Salem pir－nic．OMO is QRI．OSN．RN7．and MARS．ENC marticipated in the V．H．F．QSO Party and Field loy from home QTH．IUI went on a varation to Disneyland for the kids．Mexico for the XYL atul the Sian Fratrisco Convention for himself IXC is QRI．OEN and AF MARS．KTG is QRL outside work．TLC is having recciver troubles．In the last F．M．T $P Q . J$ vame within $+1 \cdot 11$ within 20 and $T A 7$ within 102 cy ies．WFO was cherted seretary publicity chairwoman for Portland Roses．SPC was elected treasurer and vice－ oresident for Poriland Roses for Angust．WPW is on the siok list．OEV．JMW and IDAE handled Field l）ay traffic． 1）uring Firld Inay SAA reported the Salem Amateur Radio lluh whs on with on oucrators，and is AREC members il lion：llills．Y「E mports the Oregon Amateur Radio Soricty was on at Deardori Mountain with 5 eomplete stations and $\because \because$ operators．OTC was on at Buxton Moun－ tain loukout with is operators，emeryency－power opera tion all hands，with single transmitters for earh．The Tilla mook Amateur Radio Club reported from Demolay Camn on the Wislon River．SEQ roported the Central Amateur Radio Cluh lud 10 operators and $\because 0$ AREC member 7 miles northwest of Bend．The Portland Amateur Radic Cluh was at Snow Bunny Lodge，Mount Hood，with 18 （luh was at snow Bunny Lodge．Mount Hood，with 18
 $25 . V 1 L 24$ ． 1 MF 20，KLE 13 ．WPW 9．BVH 7，VCX 7 JCJ 3，RGS 2．（May）W7TLC it，VIL 3t，KTC：
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cheap, he says. HDT signed up the only ham in Garfield County, to work with the Asotin County kang in the AREC. UQY rebuilt the transmitter very successiully. PUA is vacationing in W2-Land. EHH is laid up with an old knee injury. WN7BEC is building a 15 -meter beam. CWN is looking over receivers - the XiL said he could ket a new one. K7NBN, a new station at Naval Station, Seattle, has a BC-610 and T-350 transmitters. JWE is building a kw . final for 20,40 and 80 meters and is a recular WARTS check-in. Your SCM would apnreciate it if each club in the section would send in a list of officers and any club news. also reports from any and all amateurs in the section are desired. Please get them in right after the tirst of each month, so that they can be included in this column. Traffic: (June) W7PGY 2129, BA 1670, k7WAT 1184 , W7VAZ 882, K7FAE 528, H7WAH 86, USO 62, AIB 52, GVV 35, JEY 29, APS 26, AMC 12, LV' 7 , FZB 6, TIQ 4, WQD 4. (May) W7VAZ 337, K7FAE 23; W7, WAH 69, USO 6.5. 'TH 4B, BXH 33, APS 22, EHH 12, EVW 7, WN7BEC 3.

## PACIFIC DIVISION

HAWAII - SCM, Samuel H. Lewbel, KH6AED This year brought out the heaviest Field Day competition ever. hauai was the only island not participating. Oahu had four groups: HARC (WO) with 13 members, of which seven were in the AREC; Air Force MARS (FAA) 9 members, 2 AREC; Leeward Club (MOP) 8 and 5: Windward Club (BFD) 8 and 0 : Hilo Club (AQL) 28 and 20; Maui Club (RS) 21 and $U$. We understand it is very close between Hilo. Maui and the HARC for top scores. Watch for the claimed scores and then the finals in $\psi S T$. KGGMU, operating KR6ME, sent in his first traffic report and started right out with BPL. Traffic: KHGQU 1066, KRGME 548, KPGAK 121

NEVADA - SCM. Ray T. Warner. W7JU - RSY, of Las Vegas, now is permanently located in Santa Anna, Galif. LHQ, PWE, TKV, NW, RSY and JU attended the National Convention in San Francisco. FEF operated on Field Day from the mountains near Winuemucca. ICY and YJB set up near Angles Peak, in the Charieston Mountains, for Field Day. LHQ now is mobile with an Filmac transmitter. SXD, of Boulder (ity, has a new Adventurer for portable and low-power work. WN7CXQ has completed his DX- 35 kit and is on the air. LBE, of Las Vegas, is enjoying DX on 21-Mc. phone. The members of the SNARC held a nighttime 10 -meter hunt after the club meeting at Henderson
SANTA CLARA VALLEY - SCM, R. Paul Tibbs, W6WGO - SEC: NVO. Field Day was enjoyed by members of the clubs throughout the section. UF/6 was reported to have scored over 2300. This is the highest reported in the section. UW's total is over 1600 . VSV gave a talk on v.h.f. work at the SCCARA elub meeting in
June. CFK and MDY went on a trip to Europe during June. The SCCARAS summer steak barbecue will take place in August. K6.JTG is working 21 Mic. with a DX-100 and three-element beam. ZRJ built a Heath grid-dipper and is working on an antenna system. MMG is on a vacation trip to New Hampshire. YHM operated at UW for the first Field Day operation since 1952. Don made a two-week trip to Alaska for field work. HC reports a better total on traffic than usual. Harry has been QRL with director business and National Convention plans. This column cannot report the news of your station and your activity if you do not report to your SCM each month. He has Communications Department appointments for those qualifying. Send in your news items and ask for an appointment. Anyone working c.w. and having a couple of hours in the evenings to operate can be of great help by working in the Transcontinental Corps. These operators relay traffic from one area to another by keeping schedules with top-notch operators in other areas. Anyone interested in this important work should contact HC or W6KQD. Traftic: K6DYX 331, WGBPT 204, HC 155. YHM 134, \&RJ 8R, K6JTG 6.
EAST BAY - SCMM, Roger Wixson, WGFDJ - Asst. SCMs: Harry I'. Cameron, $\mathrm{BLR}^{2} \mathrm{VC}$, und Oliver A. Nelson, ir SMXQ. PAM: LL, RMs: EFD, JOH and IPW. NOTICAE! Your new SEC is J. Wayne Clark, 70 Hofiman Ave., Napa, Calif. I would like to thank Jay Amaro for the $F B$ job he has doue in the nast. We are sorry to lose Jay but his new house has been keeping him very busy. Thanks akain, Jay. The National Convention is past history now and all I can say is it sure was a success. Attendance ran over 2000 . Registration at 1600 Fri, went over 1700. I can say it was the best convention I have ever attended. A more detailed commentary will appear in the July oolumn. Field Day around the section seemed to be in full force and from reports received thus far it looks like some records might be set. Around the clubs in the East Bay: The Oakland Radio Club had Ralph Bykirk from Telebeam Co. as a speaker. Ralph gave a very interesting talk on Telebeam "Addaray," an all-band beam 80 through 10 meters. Ralph also demonstrated part of the Addaray beam showing the SWR vs Freq. The East Bay Club discussed the receent "Operation Medic" which was held in Berkeley. AXN gave a talk on his recent contacts on 1296 Mc. Distances of 168 and 185 miles were made. The meeting wound up with a club auc(Continued on paye 108)


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tion followed hy refreshments. The Mit. Diablo Qlub held an election and chose OHR as its new EC. New officers of the skyriders include TM, pres. ACN vice-pres.; MNK. secer: ANK, XYL, treas.: ANK, N. C.; ELP, A.N.C. Cood luck, gang! Kiflliy had some equipment trouble but still
 WG(Q) W K. Ki\&PC 29, W\%HBF $2 \because$.
SAN FRANCISCO - SCMI Walter A. Buckiey. WriGGC:-- Mar Chamuan, of the Wiest Coast Electronics. Was guest speaker at the San Francisto Radio !lub meeting in June and held everyone's interest with his tine talk. Best of luck to BYZB on his new venture, He has opened "II, an exclusive ham store under the name of No. Calif. Amatelir Suply. US' mitter hunt and had the honor of putting on the $\dot{r}$-meter hunt at the National Conwention. The boys in Shary fark

 Li6HHLL, KijJFS, KGIIYW and Whijfs worked 10 contacts in 9 sertions on the (2NR H.F. QSO Parts. L)TV anwkested a puraic to be held in August or forptember by the Sonoma Gountr Radio Amateurs. lifilA made an apmal for help during the e.! - exeroise hell . reports that 1) $X$ still is wry woml. Ile is up to (1)t nombtrics. KisTlMI is working on a lunitor athd antenna for break-in work, The tian Fraurisow Niaval Nhipvard Clul,
 John O'Connell School Ham ('linh hail a qued turnout uf young fellows for contacts with rear s.t un on Mit. San Bruno. The situ Francisco Radio ('luh hath : big turnout of oprators as usimal. The Cathav ( 'lib) hand a thire turnout it Marin County and invited its suests whok wor the set-m1. OPI.: the Asst. SCMI. chereherd in on the Marin Counts: Cluh's Field las activities athd rumptoll that the iellows all had a tine response from the memhere in the ditierent clubs. The local HANS (Red (rusei fosined forees with the. San l'rancisco Ratio Cllith hovs. NilikQ now is able t. use his arms after having both of them injured in abnacrident sereral months aro. The hose in the Marin Amateln Radio Cluts repurt that q.JA is now in $157-$ Iand and that QNB is home on vacation from I'rincrotn. Reports have it that a new 2 -meter repeater station. lorated just east of Fresno, is now on the air. It's mounted on a I'V station transmitting tower. The rall is KifBNP and it operates on 147.06 Mc. Wi hear that KisBMW is trying to line up the transmitter so perhals we'll hear that he rontacts $k 6$ GNP sonn. All the fellows in the San liraneism Naval shipyaril have heen invited to join the rode classes heing held in the: yard. However only shipyard workers are allowed in the. shop. Mr. Ry*irk, from Jole Beam Company, save a tall on all-hand antennas at the Tamalpais Radio' Club's June meeting. The innual summer pirnic was a howling surcess. Ladies in the san liranciseo Radio ' 'lith of YLRLs went all out on making the program a sureress for women atatending the ARRL National Conirontion. I know that all in the San Franciscosection will join me in congratulations to our former s(iM, ATO. on the marriage of his son Richard to shirley inn sanguinetti on July 15 th. PHT is back on the rir busily handling traifie for the Mission Trail
 11, PHT 11.
SACRAMENTO VALLEY - SCM. Harold L. Lucero. Wg.JIN - Traltic and activities have slowed somewhat bevause of the vacation perion. KGFHT and CMA continue to rarry the load. Field iny appeared to be one of the best and was enjoved by all those who took part. Something for us in this section to think about in the coming year is the Pacific Division Convention. It is hopel that it will be in the Sacramento Valley section. Let's make it that way. The National Convention has come anil gone, the new year is ahead. let's all do our best, for the betterment of amateur radio and all that it stands for. Wie will remain on the air as long as we van show good reason why we are a necessity. Fellows, think it over. reason with yourselves. Wre hatie a wonderful hobber; let's kerp it that way: Be propared to do a job the correct was whenever an emergency arises. I.et's have more information as to thr doings of the sertion. It's the ouly was I have of tinding out just what is going on. I had the phetsure of meeting F. E. Handy, 1 BLI, of ARRL, President I)nsland and Mr. Budlong during the National Convention. Sorry that more of you comldn't have had the same pleasure. Traffic: KGFIIT 70.

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY - SCMI, Ralph suroyan, Wh.JPU - The Fresno Amateur Kadio Club held a very sucerssiul Fiold loy above Auberry. KNGSWO was host on his ranch and received his ticket the day after liolld Day! D'L had his communication hus working very well. Can that thing climb hills! The Novires had a nice set-ip and made many contarts. The Turlock Radio C'lub held its l'ipld llay at Kogge Kidge with six stations and six operators. The kern Eounty Radio Club had 19 nperators and operated Class A. OUX hought a $\because(1)-1$ exciter, PXP also is thinking about s.s.b. Sill, and his XiL spent two wonderful weeks in Honolulu. \%FN is putting out a nice signal mobiling, and KMB has an Elmac with a good signal. PPO is back in Fresno and on the air with a Phase-master s.s.b. rig. NTK is back in Fresno and is active on $2=$ meters. (Oontinued on mace 104)


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## ROANOKE DIVISION

NORTH CAROLINA - SCMI. $\underset{\text { B }}{ }$. Riley Fowler, W4RRH-SEC: ZG. PAM: 1, RC. The month of June found many clubs out on Field Day. Many have made a report and a good time seems to have been the order of the day. Clubs reporting: Catawba Valley, Charlotte. Kinston, Winston-Salem, Morganton, Fayetteville. Asheville. Lexington, Ciaston County, Kaleigh, and one operator, KiGGTZ, operuting from Clingmans Peak. Winston-Salem, Catawba Valley, Raleigh, and Morganton Clubs report that they were on ernergency power. The Roanoke Rapids Club alsu was on Field Day. We need an Emergencey Coordinator in District Number 25 , comprised of the following counties: Bertie, Gates, Hertford, and Martin. Also District Number 27, with the following counties, weeds an EC: 1)are. Tyrell, Hyde and Washington. With the exception of these two distriets the AREC setup is coming along texcellently. Anyone have any suggestions for these two ureus? It seems that many plans are in the mill by amateur radio. MARS, CAP, National Cuard, Red C'ross, Navy, State fighway (patrol and maintenance) and Marines to cover the next communication emergency in the state. There may be others. It pays to make plans in advance. Also I hear of a Hurricane Net yffecting the coastal area of the several states. Traffic: K4DJ7. 48. W4DRC 48, BCE 4.1, DSO 20, W9QNI/4 19, W+FDP 16, GXR 14, RRHI 10. K 4 ARP 9, W4VBO 9. 2WF 4

SOUTH CAROLINA -... SCM, Bryson L. McCiraw, W 4 HMI - SEC: ZRH. PAMI: FFII. RMI: AKC. Cungrats to $\mathcal{S L T}$ on the new bride. The following c.w. net members received Net certificates: HFR, EKG, KKC/4. ZRH. JCDD, DGJ, EGI and TDJ. Following are incomplete lijeld 1)ay reports with the number of contacts: Cola 56.5. ShawSumter $\mathrm{B} 30, \mathrm{~K} 11220$, Aiken 2n5, Greenville (FDT) 358 , SPTG (DFR) 360 . UUB reports the isPTG sang has the club call K4JLA and ITQ and NTO are now on ti meters. The Kock Hill Bulletin needs the support of all, fellows. Much tine work is being done on tracing the rash of unmodulated carriers on 3930 ke. AUL. for the Florence gang. LLH, relurts ZUV, ULH, AUL, DNW and ILK all 75 meters via auto. AUL has 153 countries confirmed. JKT has a new mobile rig and VAM a new pallon. The Shaw-Sumter Club Newspaper editor, KGGIF, deserves congrats on an $\because(3$ job. $2 \mathrm{BHS} / 4$ is looking for 2 -meter stations. EGI has an FB new s.s.h. rig on 75 meters. GIF is the fither of a th harmonic. Fify is assisting in a big way on license tag regs in the Charleston Area. TWW has the new serret clipper that is the best yet with a mighty audio wallon. HGI contirms the $1 F B$ antenna in July QST with good results and DX. The shiny new $k w$. in the shack of KHCTX suunds FB, Most romplete ham shack honors Lo to FFH with thre FH rigs and reesivers with emergency power for all. C'OA has one of the top Suath Carolina mobile signals on 75 meters. W'e all love to hear TDJ moth perfectly-sent c.w. signais with a hand key. TTG is sporting a new DX-100 with FB signals. ANK works like a horse, meeting the phone and c.w. nets. 4 KN and MARS NC'S. The Rock Hill gang has developed an F H converter for 75 meters. KCY has nice ?-meter signals fixed and mobile. Traffic: W4AKC 123, FFH 112, K6KhC/ 12.

VIRGINIA - SCOM, John (arl Morgan, W't Field Day activity was at an all-time high, with practically every club and many separate groups relorting activity. At least 150 were known to have participated in the Virginia QSO Party, but only an even dozen submitted logs! High man was $\dot{k}+B l I$, with $K+A S U$ and JIJ in second and third place, respectively. High Novice was KN4IIQ, with KN4HKL the ruaner-up. Mgr 'IFZ is gratified to note that ODN attendance is holding up in spite of summer QRN, but TYC bemoans that V'N is suffering from the fact that 1900 daylight keeps members pinghing lawnmowers instead of keys. $\mathrm{H} A \mathrm{AET}$ is eayer to receive suggestions on speeding up VFN sessions without cutting down attendance. KN4JFE renorts formation of the ridewater C.W. Net. Novires are urged to QNI Mon. through Fri. 1630-1730 on 3720 kc. Club doings: PVARC again won the sis gavel for 1955. Halifax County hams have formed the Old Dominion ARC. Movies of the Petersburg Club's Field Day untivity were shown on WXEX-TV. KtEIG and KN4ERS entrred gear in the Arlington Science Fair winning first prize in their class. JUJ bemouns the failure to take the portable rig on his recent trip to VPO-Land. LW is off the air while changing QTU to Arlington. We regret to hear that JMB has sea-duty orders and expects to be off the air for ahont a year. APM reports (jokingly? he's had to change his QTH to escave QRMI from KYC
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and YZC! K4EZL now is General Class. IYC and BIJ participated in the May F.M.T., racking up accuracies of 8.3 and 9.4 parts per million. All OOs should be highly commended for their diligence in helping us to keep ourselves inside the pasture and out of FCC's hair. Traftic: (June) W4IA 171, K4DBC 67, DKA 63, W4FKP 33, K4AET 32 , BUI 21, W4SZT 20, CZB 11, WBC 9, CXQ 7, KX 7, K4CZB 3, W4JMB 2. (May) W4JMB 10.

WEST VIRGINIA - SCM, Albert, H. Hix, W8PQQ SEC: GEP. PAMs: FGL and GCZ. RMs: DFC, GBF, HZA and JWX. UYR renewed his ORS appointment. A new ham at Glasgow is KN8BQV with 50 watts and an S-85 receiver. The Civil Defense Headquarters had to move to the West Virginia Medical Center in South Charleston. The kw. station is being set up now. This is a big project and therefore is taking some time to get things in order. The station should be ready to go before too long. The Stonewall Jackson Club operated a Field Day station and loaded up the local BC tower part of the time. 4VAN, ex-8VAN, will set up a station in Charleston very soon on s.s.b. George will be spending some time in Charleston. RGE is on with high power to a pair of 812 s . GCZ, GGC and GEP operated a Field Day station this year at GCZ's summer camp. The Kanawha Radio Club operated a Field Day station and had a good turnout of operators. We are all very sorry to learn of the passing away of MOP. WN8BQU is a new Novice in Princeton. MUJ is active on 15 meters with a beam. GBF averaged 0.6 p.p.m. during the last Frequency Measuring Test. GIU has a new 40meter vertical. KN8AGA went to National Guard Camp at $\mathrm{F}^{\prime} \mathrm{t}$. Knox. TGF is on with a new 150-watt s.s.b. linear. EDJ is on 75,10 and 2 meters. Traffic: W8KXD 74 , PBO 37, HZA 52 , BWK 22.

## ROCKY MOUNTAIN DIVISION

COLORADO - SCM, James B. Simpson, WgHEM SEC: NIT: RMs: KQD and MYX: PAM: IUF. The Denver RO: held another successful Rocky Mountain Division Convention with F. E. Handy attending. Yours truly couldn't attend because of doctor's orders. Hope to be with you next year. The boys of the El Paso County RC did their usual bang-up jub of furnishing communications for the annual Pike's Peak Hill climb. Unfortunately I don't have all the calls at this writing. Well done, fellows. KbWBB attended the National Convention in San Francisco. June fith was the last time Mac was heard on KibWBB. $K V D$ did a tine job of running interference. SGG is having a Hing these tine days shooting film instead of pounding brass. K9CSW is on his way to Korea; he hopes to get an IIL call and give the gang some DX. LZY was so disgusted with 40 he moved to 20 meters. Mac, the Voice of K0WBB. has advanced so if you hear the call WØMYX, that's him. Traffic: W0KQD 559, EKQ 135, DGP 93, TV 73, KHQ 6U, I'UT 32, HOP 23, SWK 16, JHI 12.

UTAH - SCM, Jumes L. Dixon. W7LQE - VRY has a new 80 -meter doublet $t 0$ feet high. LRV is selling out his s.s.b. equipment. VSZ has given up ham radio for the electric organ. A new call is BXY with a Viking rig and Hallicrafters $\mathrm{S}-85$ receiver using a doublet 35 -feet up on 75 -meter phone. VTA has a vertical on 40 meters, a Windom on 35 -foot poles. and 200 watts to an 813 . QDJ is converting his new BC-779 Super Pro to include the BC band. ZSX is very happy with the new General Class ticket. DBR, on 75 and $z$ meters, is troubled with line noise and high-line voltage. LQE and VTJ attended the Rocky Mountain Division Convention at Estes Park. GPN renewed his EC appointment. NHQ is working 80-, $10-$, and 20 -meter phone. ZTS is Assistant Communications Officer for Provo CAP. TAE is mobile with a GF-11 on 75 -meter phone. OSQ has converted an ARC-5 for 75- and 10 -meter mobile and is building a 250 -watt phone rig for 75,40 and 20 meters. QYC is recovering from a burst appendix. Tratic: W7QWH 2, LAB 1, LQE 1.

## SOUTHEASTERN DIVISION

ALABAMA - SCM, Joe A. Shannon, W4NII -- We would like to hear from those interested in OES appointment. There also is an urgent need for an editor-publisher for the Alabama section bulletin. COU reports progress on the new v.f.o.-exciter for the kw. rig. TOI is working with new frequency measuring gear. F'EC has high power on 2 meters. K4GRA is mobile on $7 \dot{5}$ meters. IHV and KN4HPI liave juined forces - married. Congratulations! KN4HQS worked a Hawaiian XYL. GUV has a new $48-\mathrm{ft}$. tower to hold his beams. AVX is working on high-power linear. 'TXO has converted a 508 on 11 meters. 7UP has a new SX-100 and JKU weakened and bought a 5100 in an attempt to dodge TVI and keep peace with the neighbors. EWB has finished a new 100-watt rig for 75 meters. Field Day activity was evident in Bessemer, Birmingham, Montgomery, Florence and Tuscaloosa. GJW and WOG still are after confirmations for DXCC and both report that same are slow in coming in. SXS blew the transformer in the Viking but now has it back in shape and perking on 3575 kc . The Teen-Age Net (AENT) invites all teen-agers. expecially YLs, to join them on 3910 kc . daily at 1630. (Continued on page 108)
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MI 21, K4BFF 16 W4TKL 15, DGH 14, TOI 14, YFN 9, EWB 6, RTQ 6, WAZ 3, 'TWK 2. (May) W4COU 796, UHA 788, TOI 24, K4BTO 23, W4HTP 10, FEC 8, RYY 8, ZUP 5, FFZ 4.

EASTERN FLORIDA - SCM, Arthur H. Benzee, W4FE - Asst. SCM : John F. Porter, 4KGJ. SEC: IYT. Jacksonville: JARS announces that a certificate will be awarded for working at least ten JARS members. Dade County: We regret the passing of DUW. The MSRC made 539 contacts on Field Day with two transmitters under 70 watts. GGQ and IYT enjoyed the Cocoa Hamfest. LZL has a DX-100. GYF has a new G-66 with an AF-67 that can be used mobile, fixed or portable. GGQ is an OBS. IYT finished code classes on 28.7 Mc . after 40 hours. ZXL and ZXK, from Virginia, now live at Miami Spring RWM (acting), Flagler County. AREC members in this section now total 597. Everyone is urged to register with his EC. Lake County: Newly-elected officers of the LARA are SXJ, pres.; ADB vice-pres.; K4IZG. secy.; YUT, treas.; YGT, act. mgr. FSS is using an H-W Z match with good results. Columbia County: K4BKV is working DX on 15 meters. BOS put in two weeks with the Navy at Bainbridge, Md. NCS has emergency power. ADU is home from M.I.T. St. Petersburg: Ex-DL1EZ visited the SPARC and gave an interesting talk on life in Venezuela, where he now is living. Five have been graduated from the code class for Novices. COW and his XYL, GXZ, have moved to Streater, W. Trattic: (June) W4DVR 86, IYT 74, moved to Streater, K4. Tramc: (June WH Wh Wh. FSS 28 , KGJ 25 , ZIR 24, WHK 15, BWR 10, EHW 10. (May) W4WHK 50, AZJ 40

WESTERN FLORIDA - SCM, Edward J. Collins, W4MS/W4RE - SEC: PLE. ECs. MFY and HIZ. RMs: AXP and K4AKP. KN4IVE is pounding out an FB signal. KN4EHI has passed the 'rech. Class exam and is after General. The Tallahassee gang has a real live wire club going now with YNA, pres.; K4APE, vice-pres.; YUU, treas. ACB rebuilt the old 10 -meter rig and took part in Field Day activities. ZAE has left for duty in the Narv. CHZ is attending F.S.U. WN4ZHO is trying for General Class. OVO visited Gov. Collins and talked him into declaring June 24-30 Florida Amateur Radio Week. EKW claring BPJ are welcome nowcomers to the section. PQW is president of the Pensacola Amateur Radio Club. IJK has renewed ORS appointment. JLW is really knocking of the DX with his beam pile. UCY is talking higher power. VR is planning bigger antennas. BGG is QRL junior college. GMS is building beams and beating SWR. HBK is knocking off the DX in fine style. DAO/DEF is keeping 75 meters hot. UUF has TVI from DX TV viewers. FHQ keeps things humming. QU was heard on NCR drill. K4DDD still is improving antennas. ZPN has been sending code practice to Novices. MS is fighting the new tower at the antenna furm. K4AGM has 11 stater on 6 meters with 30 watts into an antenna six foot high. K4AH has moved into the new QTH. QK makes the Hurricane Net regularly. NJB is building a super-receiver. EGN is heard after a long layoff. KN4IYQ is after General Class. W9AS (ex-OM1TB) visited the gang. $29,560 \mathrm{kc}$. is monitored by the PARC in Pensacola for visiting mobile hams. HJA reports into the Pensy Net. 6TOR/4 won an FB fan at the Mobile Hamfest. CDE meets the gang on 75 meters. NN is offering lots of FB gear for sale. KN4IVD has more antennas than transmitters. KN4EEG is after General Class. AXF is supervising the new tower construction for Class. AXF is supervising the new tower construction for
RE. YRF is getting ready for college. ZFL is custodian for RE. YRF is getting ready for college. Club. PAA custodian for best 15 -meter signal yet, keeps talking about changing beams. K4DKG/4 is busy phone-patching KZ5 tratic I would appreciate hearing from all interested in ORS and OBS appointments. Traffic: K4CEF 62, DKG/4 27. GEORGIA - SCM, William F. Kennedy W4CFTSEC: K4AUM. PAMs: LXE and ACH. RM: W4PIM Nets: GCEN, 3995 kc . at 1830 EST on Tue. and Thurs. 0800 EST on Sun. ATLCW, 7150 kc ., 2100 EST Sun. GSN, Mon. through Fri. 1900 EST on 3590 kc ., PIM as NC: 75-meter Phone Mobile Net, each Sun. at 1330 on 3995 kc. UUH as NC; Ten-meter Mobile Net, each Sun at 2200 on 29.6 Mc., VHW as NC. Georgia is mighty proud of the many clubs which participated in Field Day activities. The Atlanta Radio Club and its members made a nice score. The Atlanta Teen Age Club did an FB job working under many handicaps. Both the Albany and Columbus Radio Clubs turned out in full style for Field Day. The Augusta Club had fine tishing on Field Day. The CISC had approximately 40 members participating with a very high score. FGH and BXV made over 300 contacts on Field Day. FYH is the new president of the Atlanta Radio Club. Tifton now has an amateur radio club with ENC, pres. SHR, vice pres., K4BMD, secy. and treas. Welcome to IBD and K4CRQ, from Savannah, on the GSN. AAY has an antenna for 14 Mc . GDG has been transferred to Akron, Ohio. ZWT is hoping for a special permit to operate from Iran. BWD adds another ham to her family; son Ray, age 12, is now KN4JPB, the youngest ham in Augusta. K4IWN (Continued on paoe 110)
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now has competition at home; his XYL, is KN4.JWO. EUA has a new LX-100 engineered by NS. NS is losing two hopeful hams, daughter Pat and son-in-law Ralph, to the State of Texas. Our Southeastern Division Director, ZD, is trying to get a BC-669 to work for his XYL Helen and daughter Judy, K4GCT and K4GCF, with the engineering help of TT. YWP expeets a new jr. operator soon. Keep sending in those fine station artivity reports. Traflic W41) CFJ 15, K4AFP 9, CFN 5, IWN 3, W4AAY 2, K1CNO 2 WliST INDIES - SCNI. William Werner, KP4DJ SEC: HZ. OA, San Juan EC, represented amateurs at the Hurricane Committee meeting called by the USWB June 4 th. (d. had a follow-up communications test on June 13th to double-check all emergency-powered systems, amateur and commercial. HCi set up an emergency station at the power company office which was operated by WT. QM also was on with an emerkency-powered rig. Telco will include amateur calls alphabetically with telephone numbers in the next directory if the PRARC will submit a list of those who desire to be so listed. PRARC Field Day, held at Isla Cubras, brought out. AAM. ABA, ABN, ACH, ACY, CU. DH, DJ, DV', EK, Q.A and SZ. The score was 936 points. Ficld Lay messages were received from groups at Islat Gabras, Kamey A FB, and Ciuantanamo Bay, Cuba. HCi suggesto tests on 7210 kc . for the Emerkency Net for better 2t-hour coverage with less noise. Several members of the Antilles Net suggested the same idea and actually are operating on 7 Mc . ZK will go on vacation if he can tind a commercial operator to relieve him at coastal marine station WPR. W4NQW, Key West, and W4KGJ, Miami, desirc a San Juan link for their Coastal Emergency Net for TSWB traffic. AAB, ABN. ACH, and CA are on 53 Mc. AAB, with 100 watts on 53 Mc., tests at 11 F.m. daily and 9) A.M. to noon Sun. ACH has a DX-100. WD has returned from Spain. WP4ABW is going up for his General Class license. RM is installing a new modulation transformer in the Globe ling. MV deserted phone for 20 -meter c.w. SZ takes care of the microwave link San Juan-Ponce for Telco. AZ has a $\mathrm{BC}-610$ on 75 meters using his steel tower as an antenna. AZ bought a Central Electronics $20-\mathrm{A}$ s.s.h. exciter and v.f.o. KP4s are utilizing all bands from 2 to 80 meters. Mayaguez: WP4AFL es ahora Technician. WT cu QSO con W4TOW en 20 metros duro dos horas. Domingo, Dia de los Padres, 17 de Junio KP4DC llamo con tratico emergencia y WT recibio y paso todos los traficos de la Policia, Defensa Civil y Bomberos de Mayaguez. Lunes 18 de Junio a las $4: 30$ p.m. DC daba pur terminado el Estado de Alerta. ZO; fue e! encargado de pasar al trafico a las Autoridades que abririan las compuertas de la Represa del Rio Loiza. W3TEG/KP4 es un nuevo colega en Aibonito. tambien tenemos W4CNS/KP4 carretera Limon y WGMRA/KP4 Cerro las Mesas. Traffic: KP4WT 210, DJ 3. GC 2, W4HZ ${ }_{i} \mathrm{KP} 42, \mathrm{KG} 4 \mathrm{AO} / \mathrm{KG4} 1, \mathrm{KP} 4 \mathrm{ID} / \mathrm{KP} 4$ 1, 7A/KP4 1.

CANAL ZONE - SCM, Roger M. Howe, EZ5RM The Canal Zone Amateur Radio Association was privileged at its last meeting to hear a talk by Mr. Ray Jewell, who has been aruund the world on the famous sailing vessel Yankee and is here now on the T.S. Coast Guard Bark Eiagle making a movie for Walt Disnev. Ray gave a very interesting account of his trip around the world. The CZARA gang had an FB Field Day at Gamboa this year with two rigs on the air for the full 24-hour period and both on emergency power. Our SEC, WA, was chairman of the committee and did an excellent job. GB, VP and BK are among the gang who are Stateside this summer. VR. RV, FL and ML are keeping us informed of their activities in the States via amateur radio but we have not heard from BD and DW so far. Traffic: KZ5FA 92, CF 81, LB 41, KA 40 RM 37.

## SOUTHWESTERN DIVISION

LOS ANGELES - DCM, William J. Schuch, WCCMN -..-Asst. SCMI: Albert J. Hill, jr., 6JQB: RMs: BHG and G.JP: PAMs: MEP and PIB. DDE is very QRL traffic GYH still is holding skeds with MARS and Japan. KN6OZ.J had a 100 per cent check-in on the $2 \times 4 \times \underset{6}{ }$ Net three mouths in a row. BHG and USY are the only members of the SON Net holding the GMTHC award. TDO finally is in the new shack. LYG is cleaning the antennas and changing the rigs roround. K6IYF closed the station for the summer and exnects to reactivate from San Luis Obispo next fall. GUZ is waiting for QSLs looking for IOXCC; he has worked 100 with 64 contirmed. K6COP got his WAS certificate and :5-w.p.m. sticker. K6KJN is going into the Army for six mouths. PLIW now has a Matclibox and James power pack KPR finished the 2-meter rig and is working on 50-Mc WAS with 24 at present. CMN, on vacation hooking tish and relaxing, left HFA, the writer of this report, a larke pair of shoes that are hard to fill. Traffic: W6DDE 846, GYH 546, KN6OZJ 190, W6BHG 178. TDO 144, LYG 142, K6MON 126. IYF 104, DQA 101, W6ORS 81. USY 74. K6MON 126, IVF 104, DQA 101, K6ERS 81, WSY 74. K6COP 28, W6INH 20, K6KJN 12, KN6RCN 11, K6PLW 6, W6AM 4, K6BEQ 4, HOV 2, KPR 1.
ARIZONA - SCM, 'Cameron A. Allen, W7OIF - Asst SCM: Fred W. Wilgus, 7 LJN . SEC: JYH. PAM of AEN:

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ASI. RM: PKM. AEN meets for drill Tue. and Thurs. at 7 P.M. MST on 3865 kc . The Grand Canyon Net meets Sun. at 9 A.M. MST on 7210 kc . Over Labor 1) ay week end the big hamfest at Fort Huachuca will be held. Do not miss this us it promises to be the best ever. There will be prizes and lots of entertainment. A swell time was had by all at Montezuma Well this year. There were 76 licensces present, plus the wives and children, a total of 225 . A vote of thanks gues to 6 PG for the fine job he did in cleaning up the grounds after everybody left. He also suved the wood pile and storage area from a fire that was started from the trash the park ranger was burning. HYQ. LSK and WUX provided communications from Grand Canyon Airport to Flagstaff when the TWA and UAL planes crashed in the Grand Canyon. Traffic: W7OIF 6.
SAN DIEGO - SCM. Don Stansifer, W6LRU-..Up north the Orange County gang has been hitting 6 meters hard this summer. OXF has added 20 states. KifJBW 18 and COE 15. K6HAI, the club station for the North shores Amateur Radio Club, has been given the city c.d. headquarters job with EWU as Radio Officer for the City of San Diego. The Red Cross has named KBT as chairman for communications. The location of K6HAI, on Mt. Soledad, allows a good signal into the los Angeles Area on both 2 and 10 meters. The station also is active on 80 -meter c.w. for the State C.D. Net. All local emergency nets took an active part during the July CPX drills. Seven clubs in the section sent their SCM Field Day messages, an increase over last year. K6CZE is the proud father of a jr. YL. New olticers of the Convair Club are KinDBJ, pres.; HME, vice-pres.; K6ITA, secy.; and K6CZF, treas. The Upper-Ten Club hopes to have a $144-\mathrm{Mc}$. repeater in operation this fall. K6DBG now is back at work after a bout in the hospital. Five San I)iego Area hams qualified as Class 100 in the recent F.M.T. We regret to inform readers of the passing of Vaughn McKenney, IBS, of a heart attack. He was EC for the 2 -meter pang. a member of the Upner-Ten Radio Club and active in AREC activities. His wife, K6CAL. survives him. K6BPK, of all people, had the mumps! The Silvergate Club now has a club call, K6SSQ, and more than doubled last year's Field Day score. LRU needs 3 cards for 200 confirmed. K6CTQ now is in the Navy. UZL made ZAC in 4 hours on $21-\mathrm{Mc}$. phone, then raised his beam to 55 feet. Traffic: K6BPI 128, W6SK 47, K6DBG 14, W6.JVA 2.
SANTA BARBARA - SCM, William B. Farwell, W6Q[W -... Asst. SCM: Dorothy E. Wilson, 6REF. SEC: K6KPU. Paso Robles held Field Day in a canyon for test purposes. A record score was not the objective. as only 15 contacts were made. The rig was a Viking Ranger, the receiver a Sky Buddy. BRY furnished a $15(0)$-watt generator. Apparently because of the location no siknals were heard above 14 Mc . Santa Barbara spent Field Day on top of Santa Ynez Mt., $4000-\mathrm{ft}$. elevation. The Ventura Club Field Day was tape-recorded and broadcast over the local broadcasting station. The sian Louis Obispo County gang had at least eleven representatives at the ARRL Convention in San Franciseo. Our excellent OO, NKT, will be inactive during the summer months. The Ventura Club is putting out a club paper, Harmonics. This is very poor news coverage this time. but I can't print news when you don't send me any. 'Tratfic: W6Q1W 68, K6KPU 10, JRT 3 .

## WEST GULF DIVISION

NORTHERN TEXAS - Acting SCM, Ray A. Thacker, W5TFP - SEC: PYI. PAMs: TFP and IWQ. RMs: KPB and PCN. CYL reported Abilene had seven rigs and thirty operators on Field Day. AWT comments that too many NCSs don't "savvy" code anymore. BKH had to QSY to the hospital for a short session. JXU still is going great puns on 6 meters. YPI reports the organization of a new club in Seymour with YPI, pres.; EVQ, vice-pres.; and KN5DNB, secy.-treas. Other charter members include KN5DYJ, DKB EDI, TMI. CCN and EVQ. A new OO, OBS and OPS in Ft. Worth is DFB. We look for a good job from Ben. This section is in need of sincere amateurs who are willing to serve as OO ( s and OBSs . K4EBK/5, new in Dallas, is laying out a terrific mobile signal. KAS is now sporting a new Elmac set-up in his chariot. KN5GVN is a new Novice in the Dallas Area. VHF is heard on s.s.b. mobile. TFP finally made it on 2 meters. Most likely this will be the final report sent in as your Acting SCM and we'll take this opportunity to thank all who have made the "pro-tem" period work-load lighter. Don't forget, October 1st is the deadline for applying for call letter license plates. We would remind the few fellow hams who are getting these plates without having an operating rig in the car, that is a SWORN affidavit you sign! Traffic: K5FFB $\mathbf{7} 31$, W5DTA/5 658. UBW 139 KPB 122, TFP 42, YKT 22, BKH 20, FCX 16, YPI 10, FIP 8, JFX 3, ZTG 2.

OKLAHOMA - SCM, Ewing Canaday. W5GIQ Asst. SCM: James R. Booker, 5ADC. SEC: KY. PAM: MFX. RM: GV8. Your SCM, accompanied by GVS and KY, went to Galveston in June to represent Oklahoma at the West Gulf Division Convention. Upon arrival we were happy to find HFX, CXM, JCW, OOM, TOW, KDA, FEC and FIH on hand. JCW won the grand prize of a 75A-4 and now his $\mathrm{HQ}-129$ is for sale cheap, he says. All had a good time. Oklahoma was well represented in the Field (Continued on page 114)


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Day outing. The clubs at Bartlesville, Enid, Oklahoma City, Muskogee, McAlester and Okmulgee had rigs in the field. There may have been others. The Bartlesville Club is showing some phenomenal growth. New General Olass licensces there include EKA, K5s AQU, AUX, BBA, BBF, BSU, BSV and EJC. New Novices include KN5s DPJ, DYL, ETV, EUG, EVD, and EZZ. Another welcome addition to the Bartlesville gang is RKM, former North Texas SCM, JWA from Lawton and UCW KN5GAW is a new Novice at Cushing. It's nice to have BBI back home from the Army. CFG reports he has had a hitch in the hospital but is back on the air now. JXM is back on the air with a Viking Ranger and new antenna. BSU and BSV are having good results with their new mobiles. BDL and JWA expect to be on 6 meters soon. Trafic: W5GVS 109, K5CAY 71, W5GIQ 44, K5BIG 43, W5ADC 39, PNG 39, FEC 38, CCK 14, RST 14, MFX 11, SWJ 8.

SOUTHERN TEXAS - SCM, Morley Bartholomew, W5QDX - Congratulations to the Galveston gang on putting on an extra special convention. All agree the show was well planned and smoothly run. San Antonio was selected as the convention city next year. OEE and KN5©BL kept schedules with PKO while he enjoyed a vacation in Hawaii. DFL has his General Class license. AQN is on 80 and 40 meters with a vertical. GIU is mobile with an Lilmac. DTJ has worked 40 YLs in Texas. FZA, HHO and DIC made a total of 428 contacts on 20 -meter c.w. as their rontribution to the San Antonio Field Day effort. EDZ is the proud papa of a baby girl. DKK has WAC on 20 -meter phone. The Austin ARC had approximately fifteen operators at Hancock Park during Field Day. RCP has a new Chevrolet. TFY is mobile in a new Ford. K5ALF now has her General Class license. KN5CZZ has 32 states on 40 meters. ANQ has been promoted to transmitter supervisor at KGUL-TV. 8M5AOI visited the Houston ARC. HEX has installed a phone patch. Traffic: (June) W5DTJ 15. (May) W5MN 29.

NEW MEXICO - siCM, Einar II. Morterud, W5FPB - SEC: FHP. RM: RKS. PAM: HVA. The NMEPN meets on 3838 kc . Tue. and Thur. at 1800 MST, Sun. at 0730; the NM Breakfast Club meets on 3838 kc . daily except Sun. at 0700-0800. No interest has been shown in reactivating the C.W. Net, according to the R.M. It seems a shame that there is so little interest. RZJ had a ver: interesting story published in the magazine section of the Denver Post. QNT is on 40 -meter c.w. GVB is planning high-power mobile for the new car. POI is building a new home rig. OIN has an NC-300. PBV is working on the electronic ignition system for his car. WKW vacationed in the Midwest. BNZ got a three-element beam from the XYL. SGC installed mobile under the watchful eye of the XYL, und vacationed in VE-Land. NSV installed a Johnson mobile. K5EDD moved to W6-Land and JWC to W7-Land The Totah ARC will hold its aunual dinner and get-together Sun., Oct. 7th. Mesilla Valley EPN meets Tue. at 1800 on 29.6 Mc . Traffic: (June) W5GRI 12, Let 5 , BIII 1, FPB 1 ROH 1. (May) W5CIN 19, FHP 19.

## CANEDIAN DIVISION

MARITIME - SCMI. L. E. Weeks, VEIWB - Asst. SCMs: Fritz Webb, 1 DB ; Aaron Solomon. 1OC. SEC: RR. Best wishes to $G U$ and his XYL on their recent marriage. UT'ittended the North Bay Hamfest and reports a wonderful time. AEB is working $20-$ meter D) with 1.7 watts and reports good results, while ADH has worked seven U.s. call areas on the same band with 8 watts. $P Q$ and $O N I$ report 6 meters is really hot at times. How about more Maritime representation on this band, fellows? Mobile setivity has shown a marked increase this past summer with VO1F. VO1Q, VO1AM and VEIPX the latest addi tions to the mobile list. FP8AP has been helping the DXCC seekers of this section by standing by on 3750 ke . for contacts ufter nightly schedules with the raft L'Egare Deux Thanks to OC for his fine public relations work in connection with the raft expedition. News from VO-Land: Officers of with the raft expedition. News from
the Newfoundland Radio Club are VOID, pres.; VOIAMM, vice-pres.; VOIAG, secy. and VO1J, treas. W3PMIL, W5KML. KøCMU and W7RNIU have returned to the U.S.A. Congratulations to W1JSH on his promotion to Warrant Officer. Traflic: (June) VE1OC 298, PX 32, ADMI 28, ME 20, UB 9. GA 7. WK 4. OM 2. (May) VEIDK 7. ONTARIO - SCM, Richard W. Roberts, VE3NG The Nortown Club of Toronto was host to (ieorge Hart, WINJMI, National Emergency Coordinator, of ARRL, who addressed the mesting on ham radio in general. The Hamilton Radio Club was host the night before. DTO is in VE6-Land. MK is back on after an absence of five years. DSM is the new Toronto EC for 75 meters. The North Bay Hamfest was une of the finest. HE is busy as an OO AREC members are reminded to watch their cards and the expiration dates and send them to their ECs for endorsoment when required. May I thank all of you who were instrumental in the nomination of the writer for this office. I trust that you will give me the support I roquest from time to time. Thank you one and all. My thanks to all of you who sent congratulations. Thanks to the Metro Radio Club for its fine club paper. I would like to hear from (Continued on page 116)

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other clubs. BXT is a visitor to EI-Land. DVMI is heard from Lake Mazinaw. Hield Day scores from this section were poor because of conditions. Civil defense is on the up in Toronto metro. Forest Hill and North York are getting organized. RU is Radio Officer for York Township E.D. organized. RU is Radio Oficer for Yort Township AJA is prexy of the Toronto I.B.M. Kadio Club. RV will be un 10 meters soon. 3CJ is chairman of the new Southern Ontario TVI Committee. The emergency frequency is 3765 ke . It is requested that this frequency be used only for net and emergency call-up. Please QSY? Traftic: VE3DPO 117, BUR 112, NG 58, DEX 50, APL 39, EAM 29, VZ 28, C.Jin 27 , KM 20 , NO 19 , AUU 17, AJR 8.

QUEBEC - SCM, Gordon A. Lynn, VE2GL - Congratulations to EC who has been appointed Superior of the Major Seminary at Trois Rivieres. This doesn't cut in on his hamming activities, though. $Q Q$ is back on the air at long last with a new rig running the limit. During the week end of June 16th and 17th Abitibi and Temiskaming AREC members were hosts to a group of the Porcupine (Ontario) Club and heard an interesting talk by 3DQL at a meeting at the home of 2AMY. EG (Ethel) with a B\&W transmitter and $\mathrm{NC}-300$ receiver, reports handling quite a bit of trallic during June. YU took part in the lirequency Measuring Test. He reports that TVI is now licked and that he is working a little DX. FL reports continued improvement in the attendance of the Northland Net with 33 now on the roll. BK has mobile back on the air and is thinking of the home rig now. XX and FL were among the many VE2s who attended the North Bay Hamfest. Traffic: (June) VE2DR 5.5, EG 4.5, EC 21, GL 10, FL ti. (May) VE2DR 116, EC 19, ATQ 16, CP 13, GL 12, FL 7.

BRITISH COLUMBIA - SCM, Peter M. McIntyre, VE7JT -. SEC: JT. With the usual summer vacation doldrums activity and reports are about nil. The AREC Net activity also has suftiered with the udded burden of QRN and skip. The net has been operating under extreme conditions and handicaps but has been regularly held with the help of many throughout the Province. Thanks to those interested enough to pitch in and help when the going gets rough. Those lucky enough to get to the National Convention in San Francisco must have had a kood time from what I have heard. As you know DH has resigned as SEC and yours truly has taken over the SEC's job. I am going to try to reorganize districts into a smaller and more compact number of ECs . It will cut down the number of districts to a more workable number, with AECs to help out in the sparse areas, and we hope it will become a more organized, workable group. Any changes madein ECs will be on a strictly area basis and will have no personal significance. As soon as it can be arranged, as many active amateurs as possible will receive a fiorm 7 and a form letter which will contain instructions and will state the area under which you come. It is hoped you will all cooverate with the requests contained in this letter to better organize the AREC membership in British Columbia. We had a good visit from By Goodman, WIDX, ARRL Headquarters, in Vancouver, July 3rd.

SASKATCHEWAN - SCM, Harold R. Horn, VE5HR - Congratulations to the Regina Club for a first-class hamfest. Special guests were WiDX, from ARRL, W8LBM. from PCDA, and Col. Holmes, Canadian Civil Defense. Ottawa. Among other suests were WøGNS/mobile. W7TPE, mobile, W7OYP. W7ZCF, VE3OU, a number of VE4s and their XYLs, and VE5s and their families. Eivents und winners were: Hidden Transmitter. KL first, UQ second, JK third. CEBI Trophy, EA. Gus Cox Memorial ©.W. Trophy. KJ. Best Mobile, EA first, DR second, JK third. Firlined button holes (liars contest), DM, Other winners were: Latest licensed YL or XYL, YY: longest licensed ham, EG; tallest $Z Z$; shortest $Y$ F; widest part LV. F'I would have won for having the mosit recent baby, with the arrival of his daughter on opening day, but forgot to register and lost to MK with a six-week-old son. GM was the most recently married; GG the latest licensed; 4 GE the longest licensed XYL; and 3OU the furthest visitor as W1DX and W8LBM' declined the honor and prize. ER. EG's XYL and RE's daughter won prizes and YF won the season Rugby tickets. NS provided thrills by flying over and around the Field Day site. XX, Regina Club pres., and his committee did a grand job. HN moved to Regina. LM and GQ and their XYLs holidayed mobile with VE3 and 4 districts. $6 \mathrm{BV}, 6 \mathrm{KMI}$ and 4 AW were recent visitors. A test of mobiles with a stimulated emergency visitors. A test of mobiles with a stimulated emergency
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To make the most of this project, reports from amateurs in all parts of the country will be needed. If you live in one of the less populous sections and make relatively few contacts, don't feel that you can't contribute much. Your reports will be, if anything, more valuable than those from fellows whose areas are well represented. In fact, it isn't necessary to have a v.f.f. transmitter or even an amateur license to help out. Accurate heard reports will be useful supplements to lists of two-way contacts. It gocs without saying that this program is made-to-order for the Technician licensee. Many of these fellows have already found out what fun 50-Mc. operation can be, but for those who haven't here's a chance to really make that "ticket" count for something. Not to be overlooked in this project are our brother amateurs from south of the equator. Their cooperation will be essential, of course, in the equatorial-scatter phase of this program. Their help will be solicited through member societies of the International Amateur Radio Union, as well as the pages of QST.

The reporting involved in the program will go something like this: All contacts and heard reports which are suspected to have resulted from one of the propagation types outlined above will be listed on the special forms to be available. These forms will be made up so that the desired information can be taken from the regular station $\log$, insofar as possible. Regular operation will, of course, be encouraged. At bimonthly intervalis these report forms will be returned to the ARIRL office handling the program.

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The International Geophysical Year itself will run from July 1, 1957 until December 31, 1958. In almost any new project, certain "bugs" develop. To circumvent this, it has been decided to start collecting data on January 1, 1957, six months early. Thus, we should be in full swing by the actual beginning of the IGY. Do not think that the data collected during this trial period will be wasted --.far from it. We can use all the information that we can get. In fact, there has been some talk of the possibility of continuing an investigation of this sort even after the IGY is over. This will depend on the cooperation received from you, the radio amateur.

If you are equipped to operate or listen on any band from 50 Mc . up, and want to take part in what may become one of the major accomplishments of amateur radio, write in and let us know. Send your letter to the writer, in care of ARRL Headquarters. Bear in mind that the program is in a formative state. Aims and procedures may be modified as the need arises or as new ideas come along. In fact, we hope that the program will remain flexible all during its existence, since it can contribute the most only by being adaptable to new concepts. If you have any suggestions as how this work can be made more worthwhile, let us know that too. Further and more detailed information will be coming up shortly through the pages of QST. In addition, there will probably be a monthly bulletin which will be sent to contributing stations. It will contain program news, reports sent in which are of special interest, and reports of the project results as information comes in.

## Output Indicator <br> (Continued from page zz)

capacitance is needed at $C_{1}$ to light the dial lamp on 80 and 40 meters than on 15.
The unit shown in the photograph was built in a $3 \lambda 4 \times 5$-inch box, but the overall cost could have been reduced by using a coffee can for a chassis. However, the writer recently described a harmonic filter ${ }^{2}$ that used a coffee-can chassis, and it was felt that some readers might think we were being subsidized by the caffeine cartel.

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## Development of Yagis <br> (Continued from pave $2 G$ )

varying the vertical polar response could be made by varying the height of the upper antenna. This would enable variation of the radiation angle from 20 to 7 degrecs, and might be a usefiul tool for studying the effect of optimum radiation angle for different communication paths.

Figs. 23, 24 and 25 have heen drawn on the basis of a perfectly reflecting ground, which is a rather large assumption in considering the effects of an actual ground. The character of the ground is generally a function of frequency, becoming increasingly like a dielectric as the frequency increases. It is almost impossible to predict the exact location of the ground plane or its reflectivity, so that an accurate paper design to fit a prescribed encrgy distribution is difficult at the very best. For wavelengths in the region of 2 meters and less, where the antenna system may be removed to many wavelengths above ground and where the ground itself acts as a lossy dielectric, the effect of the ground may be disregarded as a first approximation and the polar response may be estimated as approximately that in free space.

## On Erecting Towers

(Continued from page 2$\rangle$ )
dollars." I paid the three bucks which worked out to 50 d a stitch and went home.

F'estivities continued the next day and in a few hours I was ready to cap the tower and start thinking about building the beam. To my chagrin I couldn't get the cap to line up with the holes. Much tugging and hammering produced no tangible results and 1 was finally forced to drill a new hole in the tower. This operation entailed the use of a long extension cord for the drill motor which, incidentally, was ungrounded. This latter situation resulted in a teeth-rattling check of my conductivity which I'm forced to report is in the neighborhood of one ohm. Necdless to say this is a poor neighborhood. After retrieving the dill motor from a tomato pateh three yards and two fences down the street and correcting its deficiencies the tower was completed without further complications. The beam constitutes another story but it's up now and I estimate an approximate gain of 8 db . However, that crack on the head produced a 9 db . hearing loss which likely could be regained by about 30 more feet on the tower. Now let's see. . . . thirty fect. . . .

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I'll take the Hee and the Hi from the station who asks what kind of a receiver am I using when I tell him BC-474 plus QX-SSB Q5-er and SOJ in preference to having to say, "Sorry OM QRM - QTA.'
${ }^{12}$ McLaughlin, J. L. A., Box 519, La Jolla, Calif.

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## How＇s DX

## （Continued jrom page 69）

Magallanes pruvince and Tierra del Fuego become CE8s． Chilean Antarctic amateurs will use the pretix CE9．CED， as before，gues for Easter Island．CEBAG advises that requirements for RCC＇s WACE a ward have been brought into line with these changes．Basically，qualification for W／VE stations is eight QSis，one from esch of anv eight of Chile＇s ten call areas．Write CE3AG for full details ．－．．．．．W3DGM，he of the mammoth c．w．score in $\dot{A R R L}$＇s 56 DX Test，moves to Tennessee for a two－year stay．Neighbor W3WPG will miss Mel but there ll be a few more rare ones to spread around among the Philly ang！ ：－－W2WHB joins a Greeniand task force at＇Tuto and is already active as KG1AX ．－．W6ITH，by far the most eminent authority on St．Martin amateur radio． writes WIWPO：＂My plans for PJこAC cane along nicely． It took a tremendous lot of paper work，red tape，personal interviews，etc．＂Keg＇s concomitant Fix7RT encore was a boon to many who missed him on his tirst trip．W6TTB＇s 21－MIc．phone coutact with PJ2MC was a prime first iv5s：FXN，pres．；ADZ，V．p．；（iSR，secy，－treas．：ALA CEW BNO hC and VU，policy committee．W5FXN＇s junior opr．，K5ABW，serves as editor of the $D X$ Bulletin， succeedink co－editors WV5s VAE and ZZR ．．．．．－So．Calif． DX Chbs new uliceholders：W＇6MIUB，pres．：W6VUP． v．p． $\mathrm{K} 6 \mathrm{E} W \mathrm{~L}$, secy．；W6NJU，treas．；and W6SY＇G，director ．－．Ohio Valley Amateur Radio Assn．＇s Ether I＇aves now lists $3 *$ members with 100 －plus countries totals，four of these phonc－ouly．W8．JIN maintains his large lead in club band－countries with a grand total of 1076，followed by W4LVVX and W8EV with iint and 543，respectively i－－－－OT DXer W6．EAY finds his trareling job a bane to his countries total．Eric is on the road almost three weeks of every four or five．．．．．－KP4JE．back home from hospitalization，expects to add to his $156 / 142$ total while recuperating ：－－W2BRV desires hints on securing Q2SLs from $\overline{\mathrm{FG}} \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{XB}} \mathrm{B}^{-}$and former KG6AW／VK9（＇48）；
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Ten Years Ago in "How's DX?" -. The 20-meter band, resurrected for amateur occupancy after a five-vear lapse, steals the DX show in September, 1946. W1JPE reports that "ten was dropped like a hot thL6" in the general stampede toward 14 Mc. . . . .... Among early "How's contributors to shout pureka on 20 were WIKMY. W2.4TJ W3BKZ, W4s BPD BRB, W6s GRL ITH KIP LER PBV TND/4, W7EYS, W8RUX, W9NDA and VE1EP who chorused "Come on in; the water's fine!" They joined in reporting such tidbits as ACis 3SS $4 Y N$, C3YW, EO4DC, FK8OSL, PKs 1 RI 5LK 6TC. TA1DB, UAOKAA, VQGMI, VS4s JH RMI, XZ2GS. YI2BA, ZA2A, ZD8A, all on c.w. C1s MG PL, CT2FR, EP1C, LX1SI, SU1 KE and YR5RW on phone ......- With guod old 20 back in the fold countries totals hegin soaring. A few postwar figures mentioned: XU1YO (W6PBI) 7 O , W8HGW 69, W2OAA/J8 55, G2PL 53 and G8KP 42.

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Keu to most-correct answers for DX Genquiz, p. 65: 1)b
 bacde, 13) c, 14) a, 15) Af Bh Cb Dg Ec F'd Gi Hj Ia Je. A grade of $50-60$ isn't too bad, $60-70$ not hard at all, $70-80$ good work, 80-90 tine business, and 90-100 preposterous.

## YL News and Views

(Continued from page 71)
weckend 1957 is the big date to remember. The Palmer House in Chicaro, Illinois, is the place. General Chairman is Jordan Kaplin, W9QBE. The President of the YLRL, Cris Bowlin, W9LOY, announces that the Second International YLRL Convention will be held in conjunction with the ARRL convention. The tie-in of the two events should make for a new high in interest in both. More ou next year's double convention planning soon.

Your column editor wishes to express her deep gratitude to the YLs of the Ladies Amateur Radio Club; the Chicago Unit of the YLRL; the Los Angeles Young Ladies Radio Club; the San Diego Young Ladies Radio Club; the San Francisco Young Ladies Radio Club and to all of the YLs at the convention for the many kindnesses they extended to a visiting ham. It was a real pleasure to meet so many wonderful YLs and XYLs in person.
The following is a list of the YLs who registered at the YL registration booth during the three day convention period, as submitted by the YL and JLRL Booth Committee Chairman Jeri Bey, W6QMO:

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response of the stage. They could have been added to the 21- and 28-Mc. cuils for the latter reason, but we never got around to installing them. Incidentally, the regeneration problem did not develop at these higher frequencies. Perhaps a duplicate of the converter, working with an antenna slightly different than that used here, will be quite stable at all frequencies without resistance loading. In that case, the consiructor may select loading-resistance values which broaden the frequency response to some particular bandwidth or he may do away with loading in the interest of increased gain.

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(Continucid from paje 64)
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KZDY'G, Phelps, N. Y. - About 30 stations now work on 50 Mc . in the Rochester area. Net mects each Wednesday at 2100 . Newcomers welcome.
K.zIT'N. Ilion, N. I. - Experimenting on 10.000 kc .

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I'4HIKK, Collierville, Trnn. - Worked W'4BUZ, Greensboro, N. C., sia aurora May 23rd, for 144 -Mc. state No. 29 Also heard 144-Mc. signal from KOK (hook listing, Clearwater, Calif.) working KIIC, presumably a ship. Signal sounded like a parasitic (drift) but had aurora characteristics and peaked from northwest. Keceiver checks indicated that it was actually on 144 Mc., and not a spurious response. If the signal was coming through on 144 Mc . it indicates possibility of auroral communication with Southern California. where uuroral signals have not been previously re ported, and a potential new record for 2-meter DX. Reports of reception of the signal, or any details as to how it came about in this instance, will be appreciated.

W41KK, Rome, Ga. - \#M-Mc. DX heard or worked on 10 consecutive days at end of May, and 13 days in June up to the 2ind. Scatter tests less successful during summer than in early spring. May be screewing effect of heavy tree foliage. Groundwave communication range also down.

W5PZ, Foncn City, Okin. - Have $5 \times 348$, tripler and amplifier, on 432 Mc . Would like to hear from other 432 Mc. stations in range.

IFjSITV, Demison. Texas-144-Mc. QSOs carried on with Ardmore and Ada, Okla., stations during thunderstorms when all lower hands were useless because of noise.

Metcor-scutter testr with W8KiAl and W6NLZ both produced identifiable bursts of c.w., but no QNOs as yet. W6NLZ also heard by W'5HXK, Wutonga, Okla., July 1Gth.
$H^{\prime} \sim J H X, G i g$ Harbor, W'ash. --- Several 432-Mc. stations in Seattle area. W7LRF, Tacoma, has tripler at 50 watts input. Receiver has 416 B preamp. W7SFO. Spanaway, runs 832 tripler and uses $6 . A N 4$ r.f. amplifier ahead of converter W7JHX aiso has 6AN4 preamp, with transmitter running 50 watts input to pair of 2C39As, tripling. ©hecks are (C'ontinuer on page 152)

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W'rbDJ. Clearfield, Ulah - Worked W2QCI/7 expedi tion on both 6 and 2 ; best groundwave worked in this area. 105 miles. Signals 89 and steady, though coming over mountains, great Salt Lake and Salt Desert.

IF8URO, Drayton Plains, Mich. - Aurora work can be done on 144 Mc. with low power. Worked IF2, 3, 4, 8 and 9 with 10 watts input and 16 -element beam. Would like 2 -meter skeds at 100 miles or more, prefirably on c.w. Most-used irequencies 144.14 and 144.46 Mic .

II'9KLR, Kemsselacr, Ind. - W1KCS (Sitate No. 27, Rhode Island) worked via aurora Tune 24 th. Aurora signal had superimposed T9 meteor bursts at 89 levei. W1KCS reported same ear-splitting T9 bursts on W9KLR's signal.

## Correspondence

(Continued from page 49)
On reading an editorial published in the Bulletin's February issue which pointed nut the necessity for a membership drive in order to offset the rising costs of publication, it ocenrred to me that here was an opportunity to kill two birds with one stone: to subscribe to an interesting amateur periodical and at the same time assist a fellow amateur radio society.

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## Happenings

(Conitinued from page 48)
growth - though admittedly not without a bit of strain (on both her and the machines!) during our busiest months, such as Handbook appearance time. We made a wise decision ten years ago to adopt the machine system, and an even wiser one in choosing " CAC " to handle it.

## EXAM POINTS CHANGE

FCC continues to reduce the travel of its field engineers by means of less frequent visits to cities where the number of examinations no longer warrants such travel. In accordance therewith, Jackson, Miss., has been dropped as a quarterly examination point; exams will be conducted only semi-annually from now on. Butte, Montana, will henceforth be visited annually, instead of twice yearly. Tallahassee, Florida, is dropped completely from the list.

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## September 1931

The editorial in Q.ST 25 years ago this month is worth special mention, as amateurs were reminded that they ought to do something about increased nccupancy of both the band from 1715 to 2000 kc . and the wave lengths in around 5 meters. It was reported that by winter there would be relatively high-powered experimental television transnuissions in the vicinity of 70 Mc .

The lead technical article is a description of "A Combination A.C. and D.C. Amateur-Band Receiver'. The equipment pictured in the article is recognized instantly by anyone active in amateur radio prior to WWII as being the National SW-3, one of the best-known receivers ever offered on the amateur market.

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K. B. Warner, secretary of the League, presents a report on the mecting of the International Technical C'onsulting Committee in Copenhagen, at which there were no decisions affecting amateurs.

John Dyer, in charge of the installation at W1CCZ. discusses "Practical Electron Transmitters and Receivers." dealing with the Barkhamsen-Kurz type uscillator and giving sume practical circuits for both receivers and transmitters.
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In addition to a collection of hints and kinks in the "Experimenters' Section." there were articles on a filament supply for two-volt tubes and the 500 -watt power amplifier of the standard frequency transmitter at W1XP.
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And although the realization that publicity can be of value seetus to be just reaching some quarters. in this " 25 years ago" issue QST' carried an article on how to handle amateur radio news.

And as a final convincer that our interests don't change so very much through the years. let's rencat a little poem that was sent in by W7VP 25 years ago:

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## Single Sidehand Adapter- [GSB-]



The TMC Model GSB-1, Single Sideband Adapter is a filter type slicer permitting accurate and simple tuning of SSB signals.

The 455 Kc input is converted to a low frequency by means of a mixer and oscillator combination which allows selection of either sideband. The difference frequency is fed to a carefully designed and manufactured bandpass filter, which restricts the band width to 3 Kc at the 6 db points. This filter is so effective that the skirt width 40 db down is only 4.5 Kc . The filter output, in turn, is fed through a second mixer, or product detector, where it is combined with a stable 17 Kc local oscillator. The result is once again passed through a filter having a cutoff at 5 Kc , thus eliminating all unwanted mixer products. The output is a relatively noise and interference free audio signal.

The TMC Model GSB-I contains a number of features which make it a more useful device. Since single sideband signals require critical frequency adjustment, this unit has been provided with electrical band spread which reduces tuning to the point of greatest simplicity and ease. In addition, AVC is provided within the Model GSB, over and above that which already exists within the receiver, thus serving to further prevent powerful local stations from overloading the slicer. A noise limiter, which reduces impulse peaks, has also been included in this unit.

The Model GSB-1 although originally designed for use with the Model GPR-90 receiver (which already provides the proper terminals) may be used with any receiver which will provide .3 volts (rms) R.F. input at approximately 455 Kc and where access to an audio grid is available.

Illustrated with the GSB-1 (right side) is the TMC Receiver GPR-90 (center) and the companion speaker - Bulletin 179Q.

## FRONT PANEL CONTROLS:

- Power ON/OFF Switch
- AVC ON/OFF Switch
- SSB.AM Selector Switch
- Upper or Lower Sideband Selector Switch
- Noise limiter ON/OFF Switch
- AVC FAST/SLOW Switch
- Main Tuning


## SPECIFICATIONS:

## frequency range:

452-458 Kc.

## TYPE OF RECEPTION:

AM, SSB (Upper or Lower), CW if input voltage:
0.3 volts rms (normal) for 0.3 volts rms audio output.
IF input voltage range:
$0.1-10$ volts rms (with AVC).
AVC CHARACTERISTIC:
With 40 dh change in input signal, output remains constant within 9dh INPUT IMPEDANCE:

High-from IF.
OUTPUT IMPEDANCE:
To match audio grid:
INPUT POWER:
115 volts, 50/60 cycles, 46 watts.
CABINET SIZE:
$12^{\prime \prime}$ wide $\times 10^{\prime \prime}$ high $\times 15^{\prime \prime}$ deep. Matches GPR-90 for height \& depth


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[^0]:    * ARRL-IGY Project Coordinator

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[^15]:    New records on 1215 and 3300 Mc. in the making. W6IHK/6, right, and W6IFE/6, uperating from Point Loma, Sian Diego, worked W6VIX;'6, near Santa Barbara on both bands over a 190 -mile path. Photo at the left shows one of the two Northern California parties that held the $1215-\mathrm{Mc}$. record for four hours. Shown is K6BAT $/ 6$, with W6CDT, W6VSV, K6BAT and WGRLB getting set to worh K6AXN/6. Contact on lig6 Mc. was made over 160 miles on June 9th (4 hours before the $116 / H \mathrm{~K}$-IFE-VIX record) and over 185 miles on June 10th.

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