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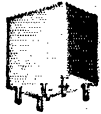
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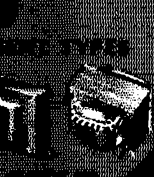
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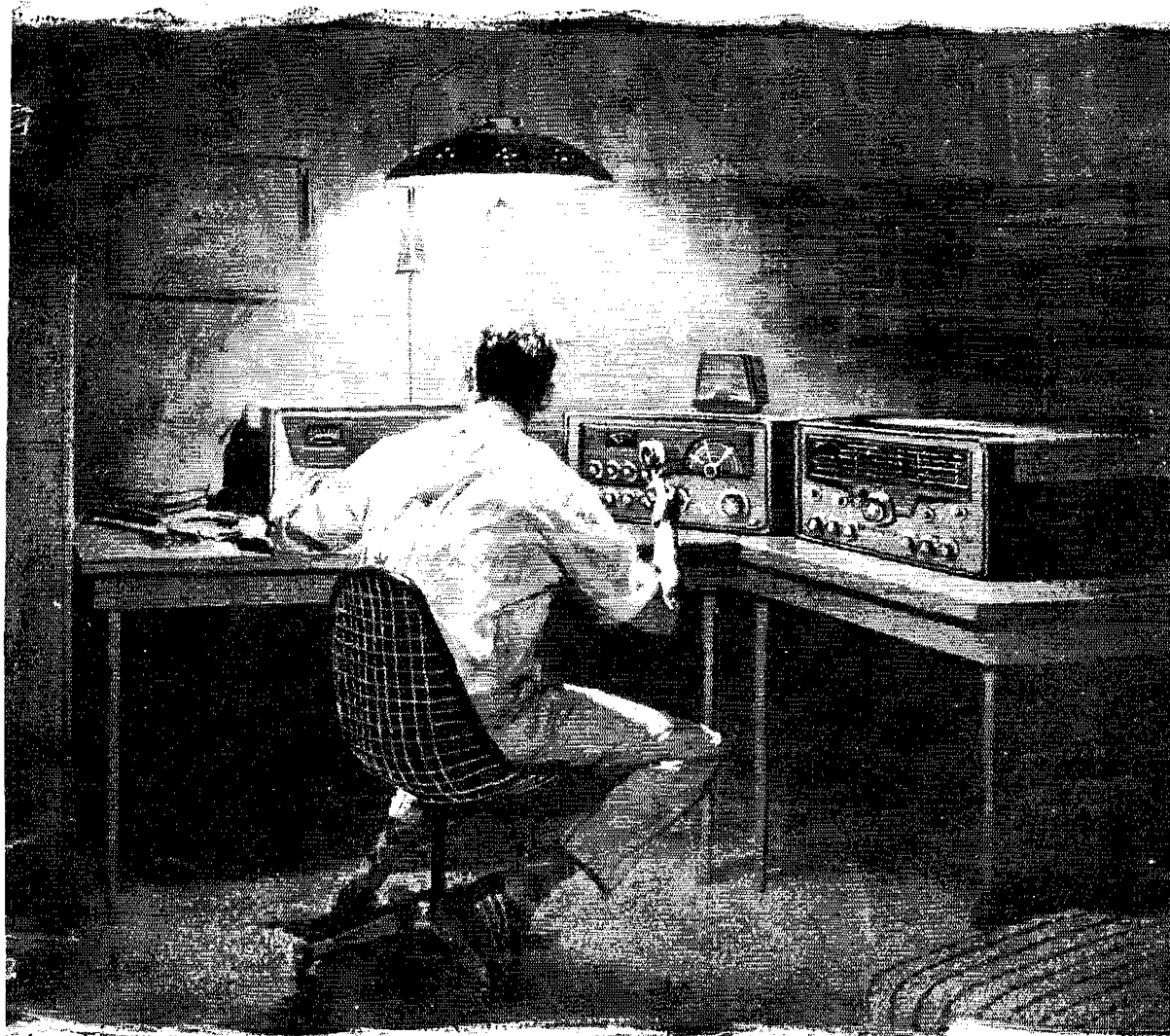
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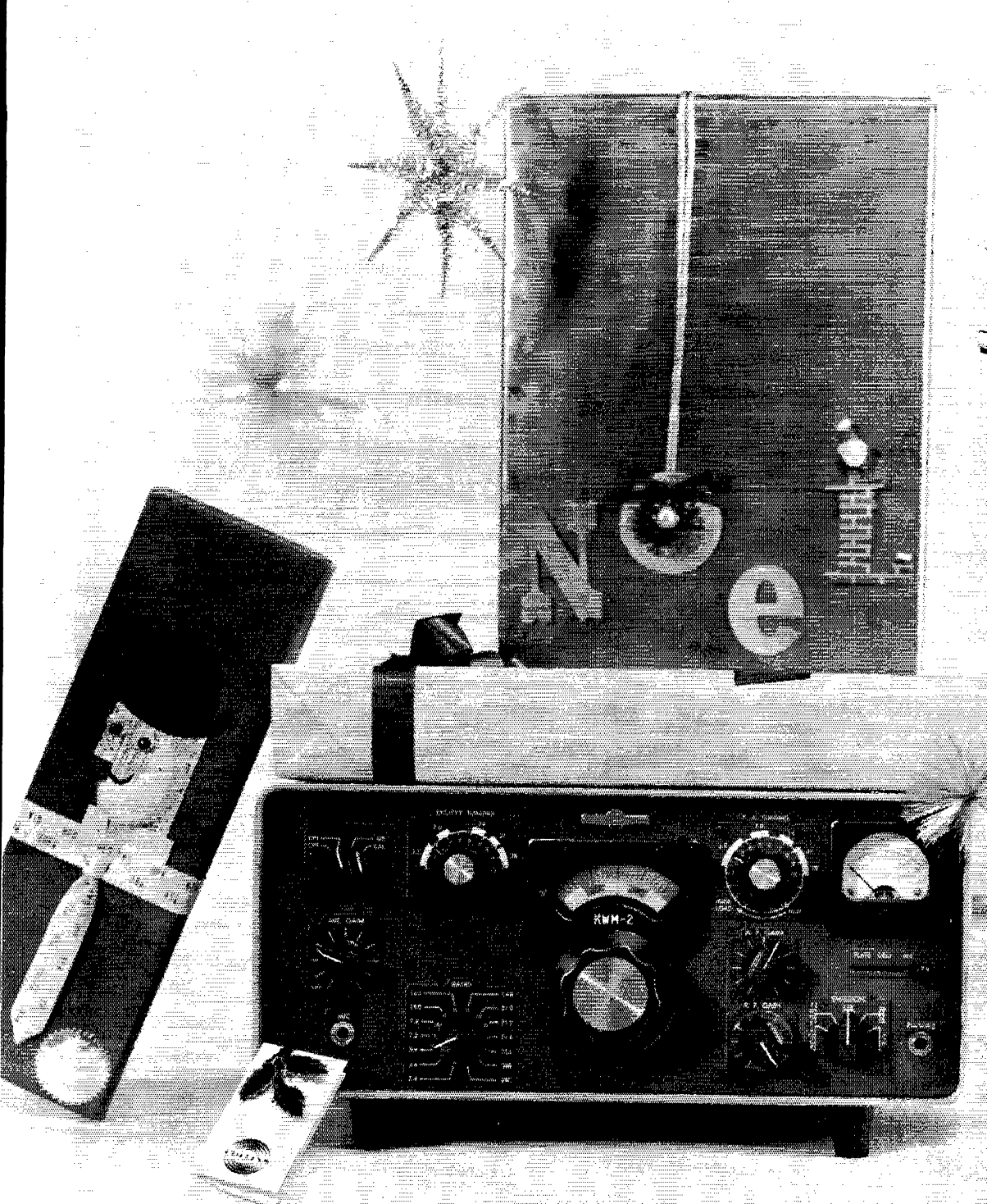
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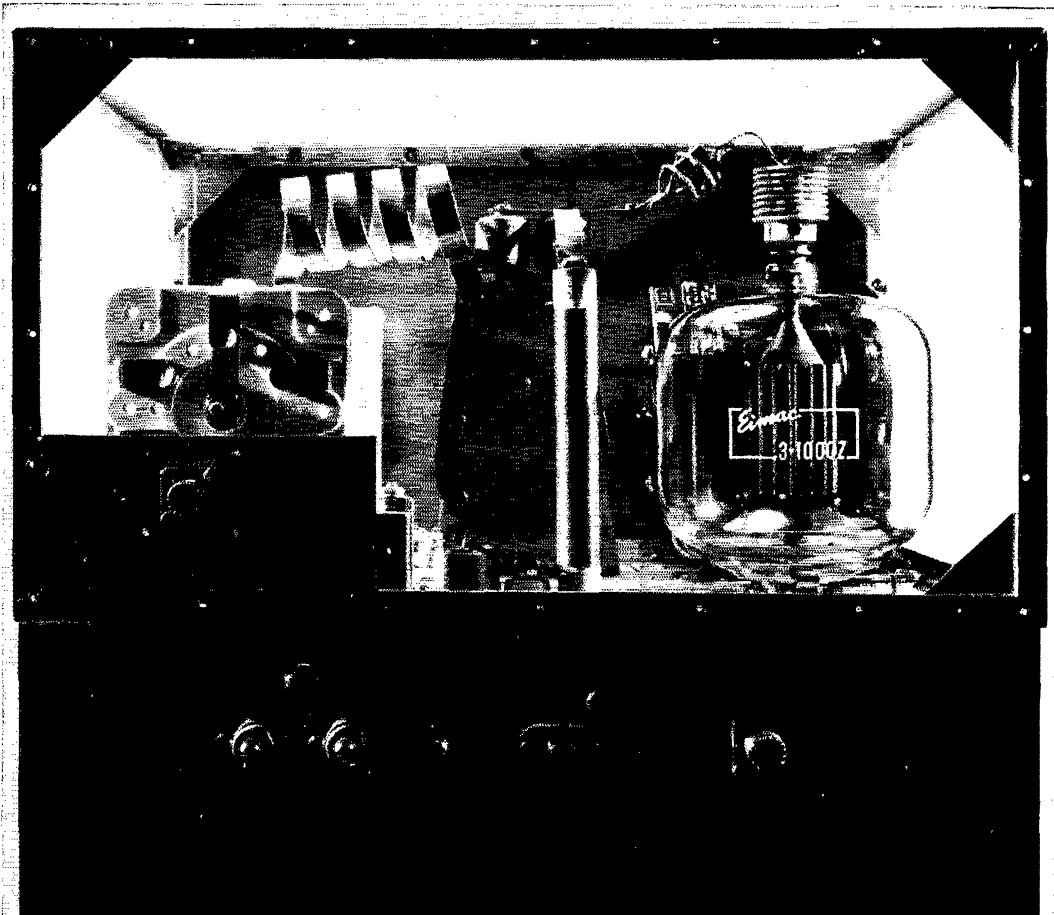
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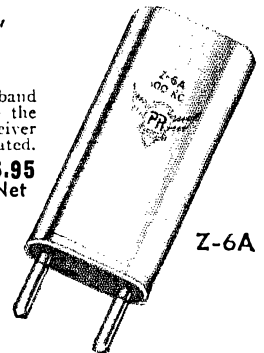
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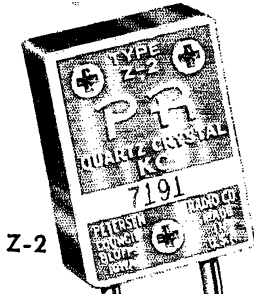
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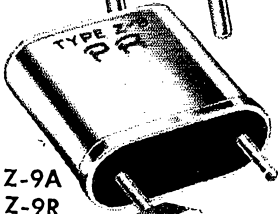
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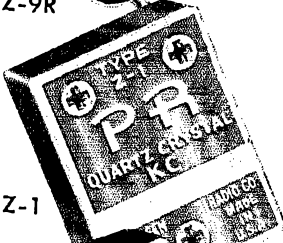
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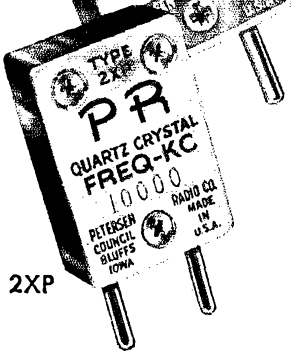
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# "It Seems to Us..."



## MARCONI'S MIRACLE

AROUND the turn of the century there was a substantial group of young fellows whose hobby centered around various electrical experiments: they built electric motors and the wet cells to run them; they assembled static machines; they constructed backyard telegraph lines. Their interest was purely hobby, with no commercial aspect whatsoever. While many had heard vaguely of "wireless," so little information was available that very few were able to attempt this new, mysterious system of communication without wires. It was not until 1899 that the *American Electrician* published the first actual constructional information on wireless, hailed by amateurs and would-be amateurs everywhere. But progress was slow, and fraught with difficulty, and apparatus was almost impossible to obtain.

Then, just sixty years ago this month, a young Italian experimenter, only a few years out of his teens, arrived from Europe at St. John's, Newfoundland, and proceeded to set up the most advanced wireless receiving station of the time. On December 12, after several previous failures, a kite was sent aloft with 400 feet of aerial wire. At noon, Guglielmo Marconi heard a repeated trio of buzzes in his headset . . . three dots . . . the letter "S" — transmitted from his station at Poldhu on the south-west tip of England!

Marconi's miracle threw both continents into wild commotion. Older heads murmured in awe, and consulted their Bibles. But our youthful electrical experimenters saw only that here was something many times more fascinating than "electricity." With one voice they asked, "How does he do it?" — and with one purpose of mind they proceeded to find out for themselves. So this world-shaking event, if not the official birth date of amateur radio, really brought about its widespread development — and, for that matter, of all other branches of radio as well.

After Marconi's feat, wireless caught on rapidly. As a matter of fact, only two years later the art had developed so rapidly that an international wireless conference — the first in a long series — became necessary.

Marconi was not the inventor of radio;

rather it was his adaptation of the inventions of others — Maxwell, Hertz, Lodge, Hughes, Branly, Loomis — into a workable system, combined with his own discoveries, that resulted in the new art of wireless communication. In a spirit so often characteristic of the amateur, this young "upstart" had first made utilitarian the various principles established and devices created by the bearded scientists of the day.

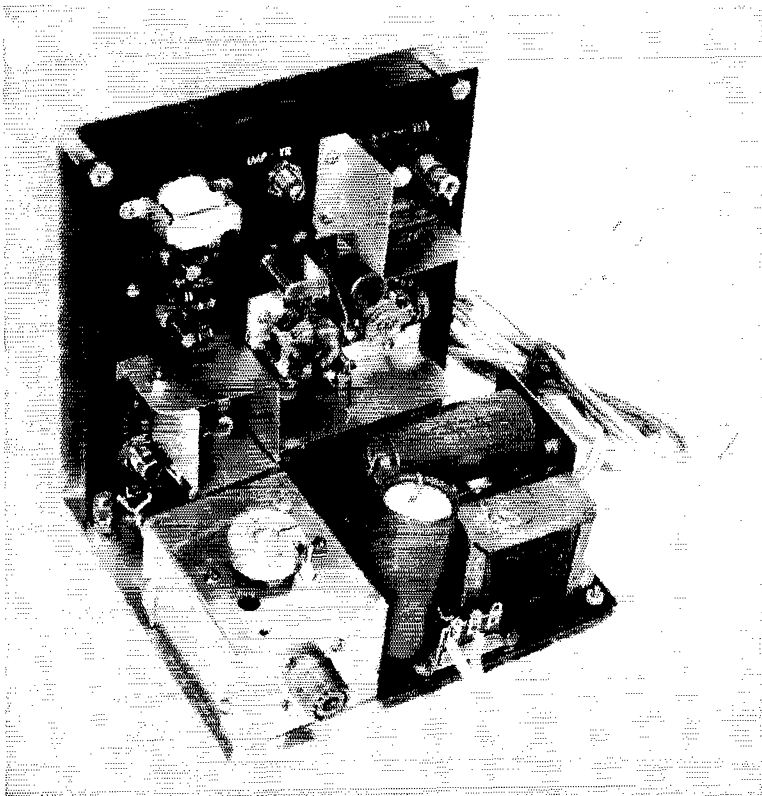
Marconi never operated as an amateur in our sense of the word, but he always maintained a warm sympathy for and identification with ham radio. Late one evening in 1933, for instance, the illustrious Senator was touring the Chicago World's Fair, where he took special pains to visit amateur station W9USA on the grounds. The ham on duty became wide-eyed when he learned the identity of his famous visitor, who viewed all of the exhibits with interest and inspected the equipment closely. He stopped in front of one of the transmitters, and commented that it was a particularly fine piece of workmanship.

"But," said his escort, "it was only built by an amateur."

"Ah," the great Marconi replied, "but I myself am only an amateur."

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With this feeling of kinship, it is not surprising that amateur groups on both sides of the Atlantic are arranging for a 60th anniversary commemoration of the first transatlantic wireless communication. The Society of Newfoundland Radio Amateurs will operate from that same historic location — Signal Hill — for 24 hours a day during the week of December 9–17. Simultaneously, the Cornish branch of the Radio Society of Great Britain will be set up on the actual site of the original Marconi transmitting station at Poldhu. Special calls, VO1MSA and GB3MSA, will be used, and special QSL cards issued. It won't be possible to duplicate the original frequency — or, in the language of the time, wavelength — since it was of the order of several thousand meters. But look for the stations on voice and c.w., 80 through 20 meters, plus 160 and 6 meters if conditions permit. QST



The Imp-TR, built in experimental fashion, is assembled on an L-shaped piece of aluminum. The power supply and the 21-Mc. linear amplifier are separate units, mounted side by side on the horizontal part of the L in this view.

## The "Imp-TR"

### *Transistorizing the Simple S.S.B. Exciter*

BY JOSEPH S. GALESKI, JR.,\* W4IMP

**T**RANSISTORS, as well as other solid-state devices, have been greatly improved in recent years. Units are available that are capable of handling high frequencies at a reasonable power level. While some are still quite expensive, costs are dropping rapidly.

Before building an all-transistor multiband s.s.b. exciter, I felt that it would be necessary to gain experience. Twenty-one megacycles was chosen to be the output frequency of a simple

filter-type exciter. If I could make it perform well on this frequency, then 10 through 80 meters in a bandswitching v.f.o. rig should not be too great an undertaking at a later date.

#### *The Circuit*

The general plan of the "Imp" exciter<sup>1</sup> (with the added stage of audio<sup>2</sup>) was followed by re-

<sup>1</sup> Galeski, "The 'Imp'—a 3-Tube Filter Rig," *QST*, May, 1960.

<sup>2</sup> Galeski, "More Beef for the 'Imp,'" *QST*, November, 1960.

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*The little "Imp" exciter that was first presented in May, 1960, QST, helped quite a few hams get on s.s.b. with a minimum of expense. Now W4IMP has come up with a transistorized version for the 21-Mc. band. Frankly experimental in nature, it offers some interesting ideas for those who like to do it with semiconductors instead of tubes.*

placing each of the tube sections with a transistor. Interpretation of the circuit diagram is quite easy if one regards the collector as analogous to the plate of a vacuum-tube triode, the base as the grid, and the emitter as the cathode.

In Fig. 1, crystal oscillator  $Q_1$  feeds a carrier to the balanced modulator through the link of  $L_1$ , which serves as a convenient means of coupling to the diodes.  $R_1$  and  $C_1$  are the carrier balance controls. If  $C_1$  does not add to the carrier suppression obtainable from  $R_1$  alone, it should be moved to the other side of the potentiometer. The 4700-ohm resistor from the  $L_2$  link to chassis provides the necessary return path for the diodes.

Two stages of audio supply ample voltage to the balanced modulator. A step-down output transformer is not used because of the relatively low collector impedance of  $Q_3$ . A transformer was originally used as a matching device for a high-impedance crystal microphone, but was later abandoned in favor of the circuit shown. It worked, but generated objectionable noise. The photographs were taken before this change was made.

A few surplus type FT-243 crystals marked 8275 kc. were obtained for the filter. As in the original "Imp," two were selected for  $Y_2$  and  $Y_4$  that were a couple of hundred cycles apart in frequency. The lower was used at  $Y_4$  as the shunt crystal. A third was ground up about 2 kc. for  $Y_3$  and a fourth was later brought down a bit with a pencil mark for  $Y_1$ . The alignment procedure and the result to be expected were fully discussed in *QST*, May, 1960, and need not be repeated here. My methods and the resulting passband were essentially the same.

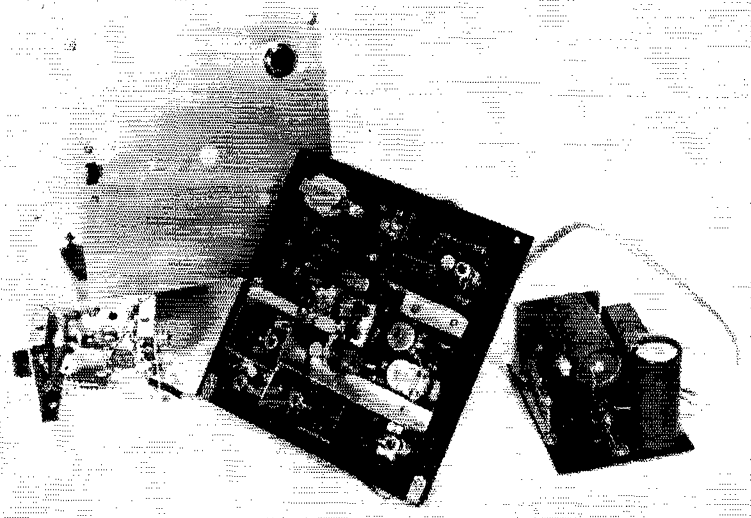
A VXO with transistors works well; however, output falls off as the crystal is pulled lower in frequency. Nevertheless, the variable feature is still to be desired. I had a 13.135-Mc. fundamental crystal on hand, and with this circuit got

about 20-ke. shift. Notice that the filter frequency was chosen so that the output sum frequency is about 21,400 kc. The 10- $\mu$ f. capacitor,  $C_3$ , serves to prevent loading of the crystal by the transistor. Without it, the available frequency shift is much smaller. Of several high-frequency transistors, the 2N247 gave the greatest frequency coverage. W6BAF suggested that a toroid be used at  $L_3$  for the sake of compactness, so a quarter-inch slice of a  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch-diameter powdered-iron tuning slug was drilled with a  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch hole to make the necessary doughnut-shaped form.

Problems that were anticipated with the simple mixer fortunately did not develop. The base of  $Q_5$  is fed from a link on the filter coil  $L_4$  and from the VXO through a small capacitor. I realize that the match here is not optimum, but results seem adequate. Among other possibilities, we might include replacing the r.f. choke in the VXO by a tuned circuit and feeding either the base or the emitter of the mixer from a link. The collector of  $Q_5$  is tapped down on the tank coil,  $L_5$ , for a better impedance match.

The first r.f. amplifier,  $Q_6$ , is similar to the mixer in circuitry except that it is driven from a single r.f. source. It is interesting to note here that the r.f. voltage developed across  $L_6$  is about 6 to 8 volts r.m.s. as measured on a v.t.v.m. This is enough to drive some of the smaller vacuum tubes.

In my opinion, the key to a successful transistorized exciter is enough power output to drive a high-power amplifier without having to resort to an intervening heat-producing vacuum-tube stage. The 2N1491, priced at about \$33.00 at the start of this project, now sells for a little over \$13.00. This device has a typical alpha-cutoff frequency of 250 Mc. and a free-air heat dissipation of one-half watt. This can be increased to three watts with a heat sink. Maximum collector-to-emitter voltage is 30 volts.



Sections comprising the complete transmitter have been separated in this photograph to show the individual assemblies. The "panel" is the part of the aluminum L containing the slide switch and microphone connector.

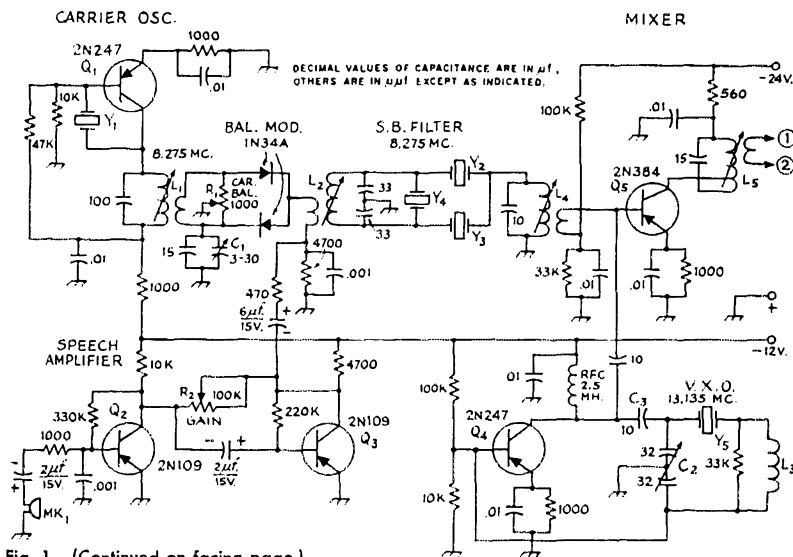


Fig. 1—(Continued on facing page.)

Several circuits were tried for the 2N1491 power amplifier. My greatest problem was parasitic oscillation. (This will sound familiar to those who have experience in building vacuum-tube s.s.b. exciters!) As usual, the simplest circuit seemed to perform the best. An output link on  $L_7$  was abandoned in favor of a tap on the coil because stability was better.

### Power Supply

To take full advantage of the 2N1491, a d.c. supply of 24 to 30 volts for the collector was necessary. Twelve volts, well filtered, was needed for the low-level stages. The available literature was searched and it was decided to use a full-wave bridge rectifier with an electronic filter.<sup>3</sup> A transformer with about a 20-volt secondary was needed, so a new secondary was wound on a small filament transformer. The full voltage output of the first filter capacitor in the circuit shown in Fig. 2 is used for the mixer and amplifiers. The voltage divider supplying the base of the 2N301 determines the value of the low voltage.  $R_4$  was adjusted to give 12 volts with the entire exciter

<sup>3</sup> Motorola Power Transistor Handbook, first edition, p. 154.

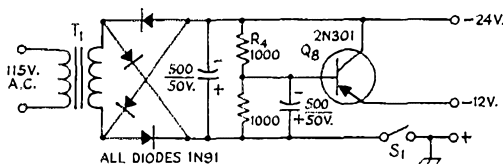


Fig. 2—Circuit of the regulated power supply. Capacitors are electrolytic; capacitances are in  $\mu\text{f}$ . Resistors are  $\frac{1}{2}$  watt.

$R_1$ —See text.

$S_1$ —S.p.s.t. slide switch.

$T_1$ —Small filament transformer with secondary removed and rewound with No. 28 enam. to give 18 to 20 volts a.c.; see text.

and the amplifiers connected. The effective capacitance across the 12-volt output is equal to the current gain of the transistor multiplied by the base capacitor, and this is in the order of 25,000 microfarads.<sup>3</sup> No hum was evident when the supply was connected to my transistorized receiver. The regulation was satisfactory and the use of zener diodes was considered to be unnecessary. Although the output voltages are not completely cut off  $S_1$  open, the system works satisfactorily for send-receive, preventing the transmitter from "hanging on" while the filter capacitors discharge. A double-pole switch breaking the -12 and -24-volt leads could be substituted.

### Construction

Transistors seem to be associated with printed circuits, but printed or etched circuits are not too practical when only one of a kind is to be constructed. I liked the form and appearance of etched-circuit construction, so for no other reason I used an "unprinted" printed circuit. A  $6 \times 6$ -inch square of  $\frac{1}{16}$ -inch bakelite board was obtained and the general layout determined. A mounting border was marked off all the way around, and the remainder of the board divided into nine equal squares. The original thought was to use one square for the carrier oscillator, one for the balanced modulator, two for the filter, and so on. It didn't quite work out that way, but the intention is evident from the photographs. All parts, including transistor sockets, were mounted by drilling small holes for the leads and inserting them from the top of the board. Wiring was done on the underside. As each stage progressed, thin aluminum partitions were located where it was thought they might be helpful in isolating the various stages. All partitions were connected to a common ground. Each stage was tested as soon as it had been constructed.

The power amplifier was built into a small

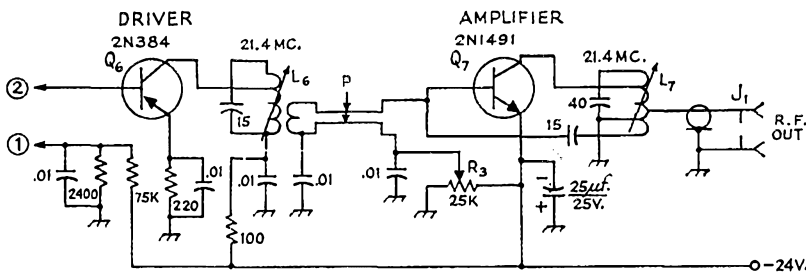


Fig. 1 (Continued)—Circuit of the Imp-TR 21-Mc. transistor s.s.b. exciter. Resistances are in ohms; fixed resistors are  $\frac{1}{2}$  watt. Capacitors with polarities marked are electrolytic; other fixed capacitors are ceramic. All coils except  $L_3$  are wound on slug-tuned ceramic forms,  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch diameter (CTC type PLS6/E or similar), with windings doped or lacquered. The lead from  $L_6$  link to  $Q_7$  is a twisted pair made from hookup wire.

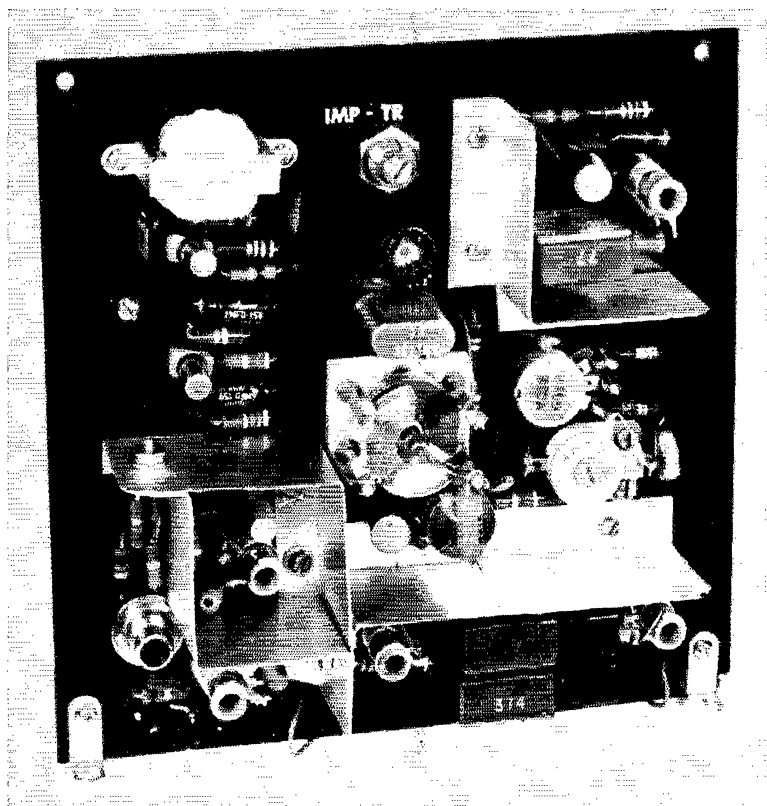
- C<sub>1</sub>—3—30- $\mu$ f. ceramic trimmer shunted with additional capacitance, if necessary, to enable balancing out carrier.
- C<sub>2</sub>—Split-stator, 32  $\mu$ f. per section, surplus. Any small unit with 25  $\mu$ f. to 50  $\mu$ f. per section may be substituted.
- C<sub>3</sub>—10  $\mu$ f.; see text.
- J<sub>1</sub>—Coaxial connector, chassis mounting.
- L<sub>1</sub>—25 turns No. 28 enam., close-wound; link 7 turns. (All links wound over cold end).
- L<sub>2</sub>—40 turns No. 34 enam., close-wound; link 15 turns.
- L<sub>3</sub>—33 turns No. 28 on homemade toroid core. See text.
- L<sub>4</sub>—40 turns No. 34 enam., close-wound; link 6 turns.

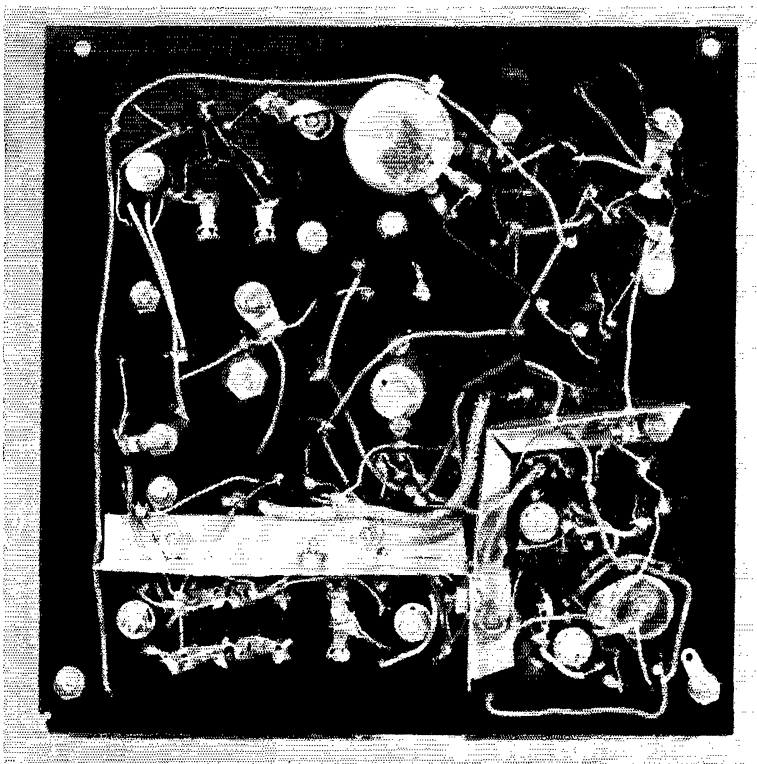
- L<sub>5</sub>—24 turns No. 28 enam., close-wound; tapped 5 turns from hot end; link 4 turns.
- L<sub>6</sub>—Same as  $L_5$  with 3-turn link.
- L<sub>7</sub>—16 turns No. 28 enam., close-wound; tapped at 4, 8, and 12 turns from hot end.
- MK<sub>1</sub>—Dynamic microphone, low impedance.
- R<sub>1</sub>—1000 ohms, linear taper, miniature (Lafayette VC-32 or similar).
- R<sub>2</sub>—0.1 megohm, audio taper, miniature.
- R<sub>3</sub>—25,000 ohms, linear taper, miniature.
- Y<sub>1</sub>—Y<sub>1</sub> inc.—8275-kc. crystals (surplus FT-243).
- Y<sub>3</sub>—13.135-Mc. fundamental.

Minibox and is not unusual in construction. The extra holes evident in the photographs were the result of the fact that many circuits have been tried. A heat sink was made for the 2N1491 by

drilling out a piece of aluminum to fit the case and tightened by using the slot and screw arrangement which can be seen in the illustrations. A piece of aluminum sheet 6 by 12 inches was

Close-up of the r.f. audio assembly. The audio section is at the upper left. (As explained in the text, the audio transformer in the upper-left corner is no longer used.) The mixer and driver are surrounded by the shielding at the lower left. The crystal-controlled carrier oscillator is in the upper right corner with the balanced modulator immediately below it. The sideband filter is along the lower edge. Tuning capacitor and crystal in the center are part of the VXO circuit.





The "wrong" side of the mounting board doesn't show after the transmitter is completely assembled, being held just behind the panel by short mounting pillars. Wiring is direct, with no attempt at making it pretty.

bent into an "L" shape. The exciter board was mounted vertically with the shaft of  $C_2$  brought through the front panel. The carrier-balance control was cut off flush with the panel and slotted. The amplifier was mounted on the rear section along with the power supply that was constructed to fit the remaining space.

The power supply was mounted on a small piece of bakelite, which provided a convenient method of isolating an aluminum plate for the power transistor heat sink so that no sockets or insulating washer had to be used. Small clips were used for power-supply connections to facilitate disassembly.

#### *Adjustment*

A v.t.v.m. with an r.f. probe was used to check that the oscillators were working and that the output was of satisfactory magnitude. Don't fear that these tiny transistors will have so little output that you can't find it. Actually, 4 volts r.m.s. was measured at the collectors of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_4$ .

The bias resistors for  $Q_1$ ,  $Q_2$ ,  $Q_3$  and  $Q_4$  are chosen to give about 1-ma. resting current. In the case of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_4$ , a voltmeter across the emitter resistors provides an easy way to monitor the emitter current; one volt across the 1000-ohm resistor indicates 1 milliampere of current. The resting currents of the mixer,  $Q_5$ , and amplifier,  $Q_6$ , should be  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 ma. Final-amplifier resting

current is adjusted with the potentiometer,  $R_3$ , to 12 ma. Caution should be used to insure that the maximum emitter-to-base voltage rating (1 volt) is not exceeded when adjusting  $R_3$ . Be sure the control arm is at the emitter end before applying voltage to the amplifier. I strongly advise metering the 2N1491 at all times until you are sure that you have the circuit behaving itself.

Tune-up was done on the board first. The signal was located in the receiver and the carrier nulled. An audio tone of about 1500 cycles was fed to the audio input and the receiver's S meter watched for peak output while  $L_5$  and  $L_6$  were tuned. The amplifier was then connected to a dummy load and a similar procedure followed for it. The current kicks up a little on voice peaks, to about one-watt input, and the output is approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$  watt. This is not enough to "drive" my Thunderbolt, but it does make the plate meter very nervous, indicating several hundred watts input to the 4-400s.

#### *On the Air*

Quite a few contacts have been made on 21 Mc. Reports have been good as to quality and suppression. HClAGI was able to read the exciter "barefoot." Extra contacts on my antenna change-over relay were used to activate the exciter. Since there is no warm-up time, all voltages may be removed during standby.



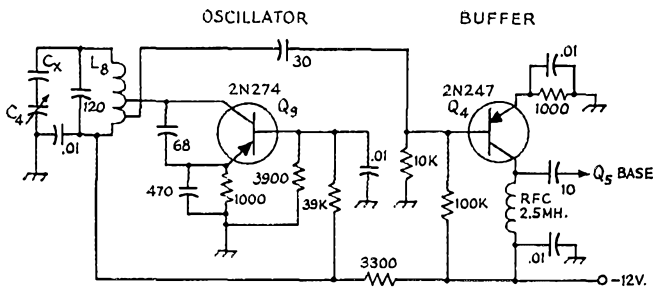


Fig. 3—The v.f.o. circuit. This substitutes for the variable crystal oscillator circuit shown in Fig. 1. Decimal values of capacitance in  $\mu\text{f.}$ ; others are in  $\mu\mu\text{f.}$  Resistances are in ohms, resistors are  $\frac{1}{2}$  watt. Bypass capacitors (0.01  $\mu\text{f.}$ ) are ceramic; others are silver mica except for the 10- $\mu\text{f.}$  coupling capacitor (ceramic) to  $Q_5$ .

$C_x$ —(See text) 5- $\mu\text{f.}$  NPO ceramic or silver mica.  
 $C_4$ —32  $\mu\mu\text{f.}$  (single section of original capacitor). Any small variable can be used by properly choosing  $C_x$ .  
 $L_8$ —12 turns No. 28 enam., close-wound, slug-tuned; taps at 3 and 6 turns from cold end. Form same as in Fig. 1.

### A V.F.O.

I realize that few hams have a 13.135-Mc. crystal in the junk box, and that a suitable v.f.o. circuit would be needed for the all-band project. Having seen an interesting article on a stable v.f.o.,<sup>4</sup> I decided to adapt it to the Imp-TR.

The crystal  $Y_5$ , VXO coil  $L_3$  with its swamp-ing resistor, and capacitor  $C_3$  were removed from the board. The rest of the circuit was left intact except to remove the lead between the base of  $Q_4$  and  $C_2$ .

Coil  $L_8$  of Fig. 3 was mounted in the location formerly held by  $L_3$ , and the transistor socket for  $Q_3$  in place of the crystal  $Y_5$ . The remaining parts were placed as space permitted. Only a single-section variable is needed, so one half of the split-stator capacitor was used. Since 32  $\mu\mu\text{f.}$  was too much capacitance for the frequency change needed, the effective capacitance was brought down by the use of 5  $\mu\mu\text{f.}$  in series,  $C_x$ . With it, a 75-ke. tuning range was covered in the 180 degrees of shaft rotation. Altering  $C_x$  will change

the bandspread. Unlike the VXO, the output was constant over the desired frequency range.

In operation the v.f.o. performed beautifully. Stations being worked were asked to watch for drift, but they detected none. While no actual measurements were made, I can say that stability is very adequate for s.s.b. There is a slight drift from junction heating when voltage is first applied to the oscillator. This seems to be small, occurs quickly, and no station being worked could detect it. Even this might be eliminated by permitting the v.f.o. to run continuously.

### Acknowledgments and Remarks

My thanks to Z85DN for portions of the circuitry and assistance in getting started. Mr. K. M. Aitken of RCA provided information and other help which was greatly appreciated. Experimentation is still being continued, but the all-band job is getting closer.

In general, the remarks regarding "other bands" for the tube version hold for the Imp-TR. Care should be used to prevent the carrier and mixer frequencies and their harmonics from appearing in the output.

<sup>4</sup> Stoner, "Stable Transistor V.F.O.," *Electronics World*, October, 1960.

## Strays

Hams are often blamed by owners of TV sets experiencing interference when the cause is actually due to improperly shielded or otherwise defective receivers. But amateurs also suffer interference. One case involved ham reception along the Texas Gulf Coast. FCC monitoring and mobile follow-up located the origin on a remote rice farm. Here an industrial transmitter was releasing a second harmonic on an amateur frequency. The farm owner took corrective action.

When a Dallas FCC engineer visited the home of a citizens radio licensee, who was the subject of numerous complaints, he found the walls plastered with cards attesting to his efforts to get "distant" reception, which is prohibited. The

licensee insisted on returning his license to the FCC engineer, stating that it had given him too much trouble and that he proposed to try for a ham ticket so that he could engage the DX type of work in which he is primarily interested.

W2ZI writes in to report that he has been active continuously for 52 years in ham radio. Can you top this?

W2OY and W3OY both live in Lancaster (New York and Pennsylvania).

Don't forget to write. Who? Your Senators. Why? Urging their support of Senate Bill 2361. When? Right now. See pages 9 and 73, October QST.

# Qualifications for Radio Amateurs

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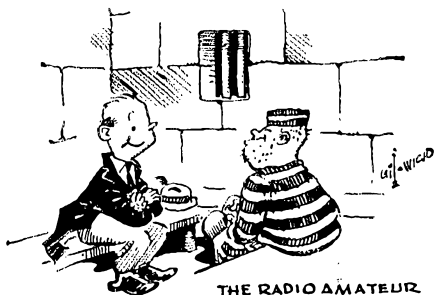
It appears that the Federal Communication Commission's requirements for becoming a full-fledged Radio Amateur fall considerably short of the necessary demands of our hobby. While it is agreed that having a slight acquaintance with electronic theory and being able to struggle through International Morse at 13 per is a proper step, there are other qualifications which, to my mind, are equally mandatory.

These additional characteristics, born of considerable mental gymnastics, are herewith displayed for general perusal and comment.

## Special Characteristics for the Radio Amateur

He must be a man of ambition, a round-table speaker pro tem, a before and after Hamfest bottle-goods sampler, a night owl, able to work all day, handle traffic all night, and still appear to be reasonably alive the next day. He must be able to operate from one-room apartments, hotel rooms, Yak-skin tents, suitcases, trailers, and igloos; to sleep on raw earth on Field Day, and be able to recover from double pneumonia contacted during the January v.h.f. contest in time for the February DX spasm.

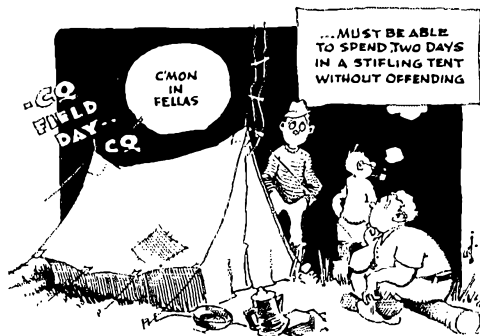
He must have unlimited endurance for attending ham club meetings, ARRL Conventions, and Silent Key funerals; for contests, DX, and gab; for diplomatically soothing irate and neglected XYLs; and still find time for visiting hospitals, jails, and technical meetings to do missionary work among his s.s.b. brethren.



THE RADIO AMATEUR  
MUST FIND TIME FOR VISITING  
HOSPITALS, JAILS AND TECHNICAL  
MEETINGS....

He must be able to maintain friendly relations with Red Cross Officers, QSL Bureau, FCC Monitors, and radio parts salesmen; be able to entertain visiting firemen, ARRL officials, and TVI complainants without suffering dementia praecox, D.T.'s, or liver ailments from too much coffee. He must be able to inhale transformer smoke, MG exhaust fumes, dust, and backtalk, and spend two days in a stifling tent on Field Day without perspiring or acquiring BO.

\* Route 1, Box 438, Poulisbo, Washington

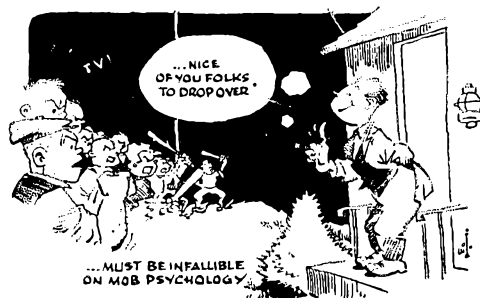


He must be a man's man, an incurable optimist, an engineering technician, a reasonably good husband, a fatherly father, a good provider, a phone man, a c.w. operator, and keep peace with his hi-fi-owning neighbors. He must have enough diplomatic skill to minimize or avoid grumblings from his boss because of talking radio or sketching schematics on company time.

He must be able to discourse on transmitters, receivers, teletype, politics, automobiles, TV antennas, sideband, and DX. He must be able to carry on complex conversations with the inevitable "learned ones" without once letting slip that, technically speaking, he may have difficulty finding his backsides with both hands. He must be able to use odometers, slide rules, bridges, tables, hand tools, pole hooks, oscilloscopes, table saws, and tourniquets. He must be a competent filing clerk, typist (two finger); read DXCC regulations, catalogs, meters, great-circle maps, the handwriting on the wall, ARRL directives, and eviction notices.

He must have an analytical mind in order to circumvent forgotten essential components in published schematics, figure personal, luxury, liquor, and sales tax; drive a mobile-modified car and be readily able to compute mileage, battery drain, doppler effect, location of radar speed traps, gas consumption per hour of QSO; estimate wear and tear on batteries, voltage regulators,

(Continued on page 170)



# Summary of Rules—1962 ARRL DX Contest

ALL amateur radio operators throughout the world are invited to participate in the 28th ARRL International DX Competition. You may earn a certificate of performance award issued to the top phone and c.w. scorer in each country. For those DX stations that do not receive complete DX Contest rules (next month in *QST*) in time for the contest, presented here is a summary of the rules for the 1962 ARRL DX Contest.

## 1. DATES:

This 1962 DX Contest will be held two week ends for c.w. and two week ends for phone as follows:

**PHONE: February 2-4 and March 2-4**  
**C.W.: February 16-18 and March 16-18**

S.s.b. as well as a.m. stations are invited to participate in the phone contest.

## 2. TIMES:

The starting time in each instance is 2400 GMT Friday and ends 2400 GMT Sunday. Phone and c.w. are separate contests.

## 3. OBJECT:

The rules are unchanged from last year. DX stations try to QSO as many W-K-VE-VO-KH6-KL7 stations as possible during the contest in as many different call areas possible *per band*.

## 4. EXCHANGES:

DX stations send RS or RST report followed by a three-digit number representing power input. For example, on c.w. you might send 579050, which means RST 579 and power input 50 watts. U. S. A.-Canada stations will send a number consisting of RS or RST report followed by the name of their state or province. This is the list of state and province abbreviations:

W1, K1 — CONN MAINE MASS NH RI VT	W9, K9, WA9 — ILL IND WIS
W2, K2, WA2 — NJ NY	W0, K0, WA0 — COLO IOWA KANS MINN MO
W3, K3 — DEL MD PA DC	NEBR NDAK SDAK
W4, K4, WA4 — ALA FLA GA KY NC SC TENN VA	V01 — NB NS PEI
W5, K5, WA5 — ARK LA MISS NMEX OKLA	V02 — QUE
TEXAS	V03 — ONT
W6, K6, WA6 — CAL	V04 — MAN
KH6 — HAWAII	V05 — SASK
W7, K7 — ARIZ IDAHO MONT NEV ORE UTAH	V06 — ALTA
WASH WYO	V07 — BC
KL7 — ALASKA	V08 — NWT YUKON
W8, K8, WA8 — MICH OHIO WVA	V0 — NFLD LAB

## 5. SCORING:

Repeat QSOs on additional bands are permitted. Your multiplier is the total call areas (not states) QSOed on *each band* (maximum of 21 *per band*). The 21 call areas are listed above. Each completed QSO counts three (3) points. For DX stations incomplete contacts count two (2) points. FINAL SCORE is the number of QSO-points times the multiplier.

## 6. ENTRY:

Free log forms are available on request from ARRL. You don't have to use these forms. Logs should contain calls, dates, times, bands, exchanges, and points. Sign your name to the statement: "I have observed all competition rules and regulations for my country." Send your log with summary data to:

AMERICAN RADIO RELAY LEAGUE  
DX CONTEST  
38 LASALLE ROAD  
WEST HARTFORD 7, CONN., U. S. A.

Your entry must be postmarked by April 30, 1962 to be eligible.

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# A Novel Antenna for 40 and 80 Meters

BY W. PETE CZERWINSKI,\* W2JTT

**D**URING a round-table discussion on the present sunspot cycle and the growing use of the lower frequencies, the author was asked for ideas on a novel approach toward designing a compact antenna that could be used for both 40 and 80 meters. Consideration of this problem led to the design shown in Fig. 1.

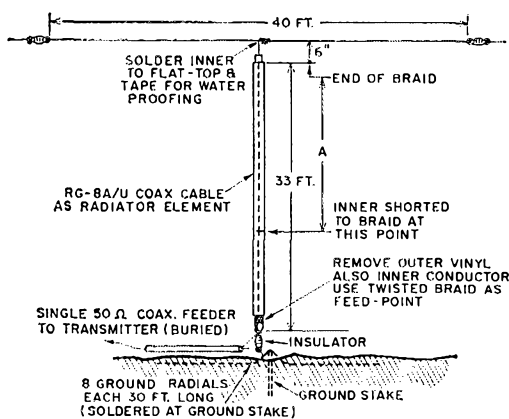


Fig. 1—Construction of the 40-80-meter antenna. Dimension A is an electrical quarter wavelength in the cable at the median operating frequency selected. Approximate length in feet is equal to 162 divided by the frequency in megacycles for solid-dielectric coaxial cable. Actual lengths for lowest s.w.r. found by the author were 23 feet 2 inches for 7.1 Mc. and 22 feet 10 inches for 7.2 Mc.

Essentially, the antenna is a 33-foot length of 50-ohm coaxial cable suspended vertically from a horizontal wire over a ground radial system. At the upper end of the coax cable the inner conductor is soldered to the horizontal wire as shown in Fig. 1. The braid of the coax is removed for a distance of 6 inches from the soldered connection, leaving the polyethylene insulation on the inner conductor. Tie a nylon cord from the body of the coax cable to the horizontal wire to relieve the inner conductor from having to support the weight of the cable, and tape this 6-inch gap with plastic tape for waterproofing. Insert a large needle at the selected A distance from the top end of the braid, thus shorting the inner conductor to the braid at this point.

Now, getting to the lower end of the coax cable, remove approximately 3 inches of vinyl, spread back the braid, and snip off the exposed

polyethylene-covered inner conductor. Twist the free braid into a "rope" and fasten it to the upper eye of the base strain insulator. This is the feed point of the antenna. Wire the lower eye of the insulator to the ground stake. This lower eye is also the junction of the eight ground radials and the braid of your feeder coax.

## How It Works

The antenna operates as a base-driven quarter-wave vertical on 40 meters. The r.f. current flows on the outside surface of the coax braid. At the cut edge of the top it sees a high impedance as a result of the shorted quarter-wave transformer formed by the inner surface of the braid and the inner conductor,<sup>1</sup> this A length being an electrical quarter wave in the cable. The high impedance at this point effectively decouples the flat-top wire and virtually takes it out of the picture during 40-meter operation. By adjusting the location of the needle, we can place the point of best v.s.w.r. anywhere in the band.

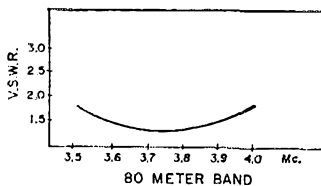
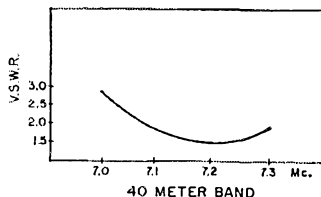


Fig. 2—S.w.r. vs. frequency as measured with the setup of Fig. 3.

On 80 meters the antenna operates as a top-loaded  $\frac{1}{4}$ -wave vertical. The same A length is now much less than a quarter wavelength and is electrically equivalent to a series inductance. With this series inductance working for us, we only need 40 feet of single-wire flat-top for operation on 80 meters.

<sup>1</sup> Czerwinski, "Coaxial Transformer for Voltage-Fed Antennas," *QST*, June, 1961.

\* 202 Beechwood Drive, Shrewsbury, New Jersey.

## Adjustments

Fine adjustments for best v.s.w.r. in the 80-meter band can be made by pruning the flat-top length. By virtue of the decoupling feature, this can be done without danger of affecting the 40-meter operation.

Conversely, fine adjustments for best v.s.w.r. in the 40-meter band do not materially affect 80-meter operation.

When the "needle short" distance is decided, a more permanent connection can be made, of course.

As luck would have it, the author discovered that WA2LLQ had just erected several wooden masts for a proposed horizontal on 80 meters. He decided to abandon the horizontal and we installed this "VER-TEE"<sup>2</sup> antenna in his back yard. It is suggested that a wooden post be installed and taped to the lower part of the antenna so youngsters playing in the yard can't pull down the system.

<sup>2</sup> W2LJR suggested "VER-TEE" as a possible name for this antenna.

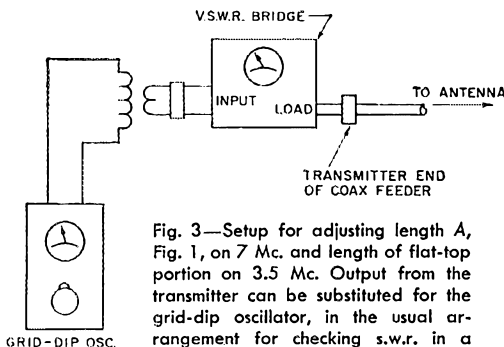


Fig. 3—Setup for adjusting length A, Fig. 1, on 7 Mc. and length of flat-top portion on 3.5 Mc. Output from the transmitter can be substituted for the grid-dip oscillator, in the usual arrangement for checking s.w.r. in a coaxial line.

The test setup of Fig. 3 was used for tuning up the antenna. The station receiver was used to check the frequency calibration.

WA2LLQ has operated this antenna on three bands: 80, 40 and 15 meters. His reports of on-the-air interest shown by other amateurs encouraged the preparation of this article. **QST**



December 1936

... The editorial was tickled pink because QST had come of age, being 21 years old. KBW reported that, twenty-five years ago, a complete Volume I was worth at least \$30.00.

... Technical articles included constructional details on a 20-watt rig using phone and c.w. on five bands, a u.h.f. (14, 28, and 56 Mc.) rig with 100 watts crystal-controlled, some operating notes on the new 807 tube, a new method of coil changing for receivers, an all-band phone transmitter using beam-power tubes, the designing of a modern u.h.f. receiver, the rebuilding of a commercial condenser-type mike, and the usual collection of lints and kinks.

... There was a station description of W1HRX, Jim Millen, then of the National Co., and now (1961) of the James Millen Co.

... Of particular interest to the DX gang is that fact that the "How's DX?" column first appeared in this issue of twenty-five years ago. Conducted by W1JPE, now W1-DX, it originated a format which has been successfully followed ever since.

... Oh, those good old days! For less than \$20 you could buy a 3-tube receiver, including power supply, that tuned from 2 to 2000 meters. **QST**

## Strays

Complaint of a "rough noise" on broadcast reception sent Arizona FCC monitoring station engineers on a turkey hunt. The complainant accused a neighbor, an amateur operator. However, the latter's transmitter was in the repair shop. So the FCC investigators next tried an electrical plant. Here there was plenty of noise but no electrical disturbance. So the searchers moved on to another possible source — a turkey farm. There they found a loose power line connection to a large pump. The electric power company made quick repair.

## Silent Keys

It is with deep regret that we record the passing of these amateurs:

W1HM, Arthur B. Donovan, Rockland, Mass.  
 K1JIM, Robert G. Johnson, Mashpee, Mass.  
 W1VQX, Edward W. White, Peabody, Mass.  
 W2BT, Kurt Schoenfeld, Greenlawn, N. Y.  
 ex-W2EBZ, Clayton A. Cool, jr., Carlstadt, N. J.  
 K2PWII, Frank E. Dixon, Hempstead, N. Y.  
 W3A1W, Andrew A. Rhoads, Lehighton, Penn.  
 W3EWW, Lloyd S. Quynn, Savage, Md.  
 W3JPH, John P. McTigue, Philadelphia, Penn.  
 W4BXO, Theodore A. Bedell, Jensen Beach, Fla.  
 K4CWF, James R. Meacham, jr., Fulton, Ky.  
 W4ECK, Malcolm Bethea, sr., Birmingham, Ala.  
 W4OSS, Robert F. Berger, Burke, Va.  
 W4RKD, George Turner, Alexandria, Va.  
 W4TMLN, Arthur Thomas, Petersburg, Fla.  
 K5DLO, Charles B. Free, Idabel, Okla.  
 W5EIH, Arvel H. Edwards, Port Allen, La.  
 K5GOV, Tommy R. Moore, Mineral Wells, Tex.  
 W5MWP, Stanley J. Schexnayder, Baton Rouge, La.

W6DTI, Gordon F. Phelps, Oakland, Calif.  
 WA6IND, Donald S. Swallow, San Jose, Calif.  
 W7LU, Wallace G. Ludgate, Portland, Ore.  
 KN7PIW, Byron D. Stull, Wenatchee, Wise.  
 ex-W8AKN, Carl E. Suppanz, Detroit, Mich.  
 ex-W8CZ, Clyde B. Johnson, Charleston, W. Va.  
 ex-W8HBB, E. Y. Lebleu, Charleston, W. Va.  
 K8MXP, Daniel W. Brown, Princeton, W. Va.  
 W8QMU, Gunter W. Joseph, Lansing, Mich.  
 KN8TZV, Ralph Whitehead, Grand Rapids, Mich.  
 W9FQU, Mareus L. Potter, Park Ridge, Ill.  
 W9OYE, Kermit A. Bateman, Two Rivers, Wise.  
 W9VCN, Henry J. Adams, Milwaukee, Wise.  
 K9C1HW, Martin Y. Diamond, Detroit Lakes, Minn.  
 W9PHQ, Glenn E. Greene, Newton, Iowa  
 K9UOX, David A. Guthrie, West Liberty, Iowa  
 W9VOF, Peter W. Streeter, Kansas City, Mo.  
 E15G, P. T. Daly, Dublin, Ireland  
 KA2RL, Richard L. Davis, San Francisco, Calif.  
 VE3DTQ, Russell H. Davidson, Collingwood, Ont., Canada  
 VE3JE, Fred Swart, Brockville, Ont., Canada  
 ZL2ABJ, L. Gilchrist, Napier, New Zealand

# 15th V.H.F. Sweepstakes, Jan. 6-7

*Don't Miss This Biggest V.H.F. Activity of the Year*

**A**LL VHF'ERS, get ready for the biggest V.H.F. operating workout of the year . . . the 1962 V.H.F. Sweepstakes. This contest really makes the v.h.f. headlines every January and this time will start, as always, at 1400 (2:00 P.M.) local standard time on Saturday, January 6, 1962, and end at midnight local time Sunday, January 7. Contacts count only when the contest is in progress at both ends of the QSO.

The rules are the same as last year, so join in the fun by calling "CQ Sweepstakes" or answer such a call. Then exchange the information as

shown in this announcement. Remember, that unlike the V.H.F. QSO Parties, in the Sweepstakes sections count only once no matter what band they're worked on, although you *can* work the same station again on different bands for contact points. Example: W1HDQ works W1FZJ on 50 and 144 Mc. for complete exchanges of 2 points on each band; 2 + 2 gives 4 points but only *one* section multiplier. So bandhopping will increase your score.

In scoring, the multiplier is the number of sections worked *plus ten*. Each complete exchange

Follow this log form. You may get these log forms free by writing to ARRL. This also is an example of how to score.

SUMMARY OF EXCHANGES ARRL V.H.F. SWEEPSTAKES CONTEST														
STATION... <b>W1AW</b> .... CLASS LICENSE..... ARRL SECTION.... <b>CONN</b> .....														
SENT (1 point)							RECEIVED (1 point)							
BAND	NR	STN	CK-RST	Section	EST TIME	DATE (Jan)	NR	STN	CK-RST	Section	TIME	DATE (Jan)	Nr. diff. Secs as wkcd	POINTS
50	1	W1AW	59	CONN	1402	6	1	W1RJA	59	CONN	1403	6	1	2
	2		59		1404		1	W1HDQ	58	CONN	1405			2
	3		57		1410		5	W1QXX	56	EMASS	1410		2	2
	4		46		1417			K1CXX						1
144	5		58		1635	▼	21	W1RJA	58	CONN	1635	▼		2
50	6		57		1012	7	98	W3HYJ	57	EPA	1014	7	3	2
	7		56		1017		56	VE3DIR	56	ONT	1018		4	2
					1205		19	K1CXX	56	ME	1206		5	1
144	8	▼	59	▼	1608	▼	176	W1AQE	58	EMASS	1610	▼		2

(Enter below on last sheet used)

Summary: Bands used...**50, 144**...; Nr. QSOs...**8**...; Nr. diff. Sections wkcd...**5**...  
 Total Hours operation...**2**...; Input power.....watts; Trans. tube line-up.....  
 Receiver..... Antenna.....  
 Number & names of operators having a share in above work.....  
 Claimed Score...**16**.....contact points (maximum of 2 per QSO) X multiplier...**15**.....  
 (number of different ARRL sections worked plus 1) = .....**240**.....(Total Score)  
 Participating for club award in the .....(name of club),  
 of which I am a member.

I hereby state that in this contest I have not operated my transmitter outside any of the frequency bands specified on my station license, and also that the score and points set forth in the above summary are correct and true.

.....  
 Signature Call Address

## EXPLANATION OF V.H.F. SS CONTEST EXCHANGES

<i>Send Like a Standard Msg. Preamble, the.....NR</i>		<i>Call</i>	<i>CK</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Date</i>
Exchanges	Contest numbers 1, 2, 3, etc., a new NR for each station worked	Send your own call	CK (Readability and strength or RST of station worked)	Your ARRL section	Send time of transmitting this NR	Send date of QSO
<i>Sample</i>	NR 1	W1AW	59	CONN	1402	JAN 6

counts two points. Here is a scoring sample. Suppose W3HYJ made 100 contacts in 17 different sections:

- 100 QSOs
- ×2 (if all SS data exchanged in both directions)
- 200 (QSO points)
- ×27 (17 sections plus 10)
- 5400 (claimed score)

Top scorer in each section earns a certificate. In sections of three or more Novice entries, top scorer gets a special Novice certificate. The biggest boom to activity is the club competition. You may also credit your score to your club for separate club aggregate listing (total of all club members scores) . . . with an engraved cocobolo gavel to the club with the highest total, and a certificate to each club's top scorer. Here's a good club project . . . get out your gang to help the club score. Make sure logs are clearly marked: "Participating for club award in the . . . . . (club)."

You can get the log forms as shown in this announcement simply by writing to the ARRL Communications Dept., 38 LaSalle Road, West Hartford 7, Conn. Let us know how many you need. Logs must be postmarked by February 3 to be eligible for score listing and awards.

### Rules

- 1) *Eligibility:* Amateur operators in any ARRL section (see page 6) operating at home, or mobile or portable under one call on or above 50 Mc. are invited to take part. Yukon-N.W.T. (VE8) counts as a separate section.
- 2) *Object:* Participants will attempt to contact as many other stations in as many ARRL sections as possible.
- 3) *Contest Periods:* The contest starts at 2:00 P.M. your local time, Saturday, Jan. 6, 1962, and ends at midnight, Sunday, Jan. 7, 1962. Contacts between stations in different time zones can be counted only when the contest period is in progress in both of the zones concerned.
- 4) *Exchanges:* Contest exchanges, including all data shown in the sample, must be transmitted and received for as a basis for each scored point.
- 5) *Scoring:* (a) Contacts count one point when the required exchange information has been received and acknowledged, a second point when exchange has been completed in both directions.  
(b) Final score is obtained by multiplying total contact points by the sum of different ARRL sections worked (the number in each of which at least one SS point has been credited) plus 10.
- 6) *Conditions for Valid Contact Credit:* (a) Repeat contacts on other bands confirmed by completed exchanges of up to two points per band may be counted for each different station worked. (Example: W1HDQ works W1FZJ on 50 and 144 Mc. for complete exchanges of 2 points on each band; 2 + 2 gives 4 points but only one section multiplier.)

- (b) Cross-band work shall not count.
- (c) Portable or mobile station operation under one call, from one location only, is permitted.
- (d) A transmitter used to contact one or more stations may not be used subsequently under more than one other call during the contest period.
- (e) Contacts with aircraft mobiles cannot be counted for section multipliers.
- 7) *Awards:* Entries will be classified as single- or multi-operator, a single-operator station being defined as one manned by an amateur who neither receives nor gives assistance to any person during the contest period. Certificates will be awarded in each ARRL section to the top-scoring amateur in the single-operator classification. In addition, a certificate will be awarded to the top Novice in each ARRL section where at least three such licensees submit valid contest logs. Multioperator work will be grouped separately in the official report of results in QST.
- When three or more individual club members compete and submit logs naming the club with which they are identified, an ARRL certificate will be issued to the leading club member. When less than three individual logs are received there will be no club award or club mention.
- A gavel with an engraved sterling-silver band will be offered the club whose secretary submits the greatest aggregate score, provided such scores are confirmed by receipt at ARRL of the individual contest logs from such members. Only the score of a bona fide club member, operating a station in local club territory, may be included in club entries. Claims from federations, radio club councils, or other combinations of radio clubs, will not be accepted, nor can special memberships granted for contest purposes be recognized.
- 8) *Conditions of Entry:* Each entrant agrees to be bound by the provisions of this announcement, the regulations of his licensing authority, and the decisions of the ARRL Award Committee.
- 9) *Reporting:* Reports must be postmarked no later than Feb. 3, 1962, to be considered for awards. QST

### FEEDBACK

If you would know whether people read Strays, just make a fairly obvious error and sit back and await the deluge. We made the necessary slip in the Stray relating to the formula for a parabola, in September QST, page 37. The formula given therein is correct, but so also is the formula that this Stray was supposed to have corrected. It all depends on how you define  $p$ . Both formulae,  $Y^2 = 2px$  and  $Y^2 = 4px$ , may be found in various texts, depending on whether  $p$  is used to identify the distance from the focus to the curve, or the focus to the directrix.

Our apologies to WITQZ, who was as right as could be in his article in April QST, when he used the first formula. Incidentally, he has been doing further work on the feed system, and has made minor structural changes in the reflector as the result of a year's experience with the antenna system in rough weather. He may have more for interested readers before long.



The preceding article ("Space Communication and the Amateur," November 1961 QST) showed that communication by means of some medium in outer space is essentially a signal-to-noise ratio problem. Taking it from there, the author surveys the questions of propagation vs. frequency active vs. passive satellites, antennas and tracking, and other factors that bear on getting a reliable signal back from space vehicles.

## The Mechanisms of Space Communication

### *Propagation, Satellites, Antennas and Associated Equipment*

BY RAPHAEL SOIFER,\* K2QBW

LAST month we discussed the all-important role of the signal-to-noise ratio in determining system performance parameters — in plain language, whether or not the thing will work. We found that the highest possible s.n.r. is always desirable, since it will make the system more reliable and versatile. From a qualitative study of the various noise forms affecting amateur space communications, we decided that it would be best to conduct such work on frequencies above 1215 Mc.

We turn now to a discussion of the second component of the signal-to-noise ratio, the received signal power. Let us see how, in a space communication system, the transmitted signal comes to arrive at the r.f. amplifier input of the receiver. In our generalized system, the signal generated by the transmitter is attenuated by the transmission line, concentrated (that is, from a system standpoint, amplified) by the transmitting antenna, partially absorbed in the atmosphere, rotated in polarization in the ionosphere, attenuated all along by free-space path loss, relayed by the relay point in space, rotated once more in its return through the ionosphere, absorbed some more in the atmosphere, amplified by the receiving antenna, and attenuated by the receiving transmission line. Sort of makes you happy you aren't a signal, doesn't it?

Without specializing for the moment, let us see how we can exploit the foregoing obstacle course to our best advantage — namely, to squeeze the most signal power out of the system and thus raise the s.n.r.

#### *Line Losses*

First to come to mind are the two line losses. There are various measures we can employ to reduce these. For one thing, we can use properly-matched sources and loads to insure that the

s.w.r. on the line is essentially unity. For another, we can keep the transmission line as short as possible, because line loss increases with line length. Third, we can use line with the lowest possible loss per unit length. This rules out the popular flexible coaxial cables. For the frequencies with which we are concerning ourselves waveguides are practical, though expensive.

The theory behind transmission line loss per unit length is beyond the scope of this discussion — except to make the blanket statement that all means should be explored by the amateur to reduce his line losses. Material on microwave (and u.h.f.) power transmission is plentiful in most libraries, and should be read by anyone planning serious work in space communication.

#### *Faraday Rotation*

Next to come to mind are the two wave rotations. These are perhaps easier to eliminate than to explain. Briefly, it has been found that when an electromagnetic wave passes through a highly ionized medium — such as the ionosphere — in the presence of a magnetic field — such as that of the earth — its polarization rotates. With conventional linearly polarized antennas, this results in a cross-polarization loss similar to that observed when a vertical is used in working a station equipped with a horizontal beam.

There turns out to be a rather sneaky way of eliminating "Faraday rotation" loss, as it is known. If one transmits a signal in which the polarization is continuously rotating, and designs a receiving antenna to accept such a rotating wave without loss, then any rotation induced in transit will have no effect whatever. Such a wave is called "circularly-polarized." One way to generate and receive one is to use the helix type of antenna. This is in fact standard procedure in many industrial space-communication and radar tracking projects, and could be adopted by amateurs with little difficulty.

\* 3 Ames St., M. I. T., Cambridge 39, Mass.



An interesting feature of a circularly-polarized wave is that when it is reflected, as from the moon or a satellite, its sense of rotation — that is, whether it is rotating clockwise or counterclockwise — is inverted. This means that for *passive* communication systems, the receiving helix must have a left-hand winding if the transmitting helix has a right-hand winding, or vice versa. Serowy, aren't they?

### The Atmosphere

Atmospheric absorption, which accounts for two more terms in the total path loss, affects mainly the higher end of the radio spectrum. Such losses as affect the amateur service occur in the ionosphere from auroral absorption, and in the troposphere from water-vapor and oxygen-line absorption.

The same auroral ionization clouds which greet v.h.f. men with thoughts of DX bring no cheer to us, for we are trying to get signals *through* them, while they persist in absorbing and reflecting. Although their effect is serious at v.h.f. and lower u.h.f., by 1215 Mc. the clouds are relatively transparent and cause little difficulty.

Tropospheric absorption, on the other hand, increases sharply beyond 10 Gc. (1 Gc. = 1000 Mc.), and is a serious problem in this frequency range. For example, our amateur band 21-22 Gc. comes right at the peak of the water-vapor absorption curve, making it one of limited usefulness for space work when compared with the next lower decade of frequency. Absorption continues at a high level throughout the "above 30 Gc." range. This absorption effect causes us to place an upper limit on our optimum range of frequencies suitable for amateur space communications at 10.5 Gc., just before the sharp rise in water-vapor attenuation. The five amateur bands in our optimum range of 1.215 to 10.5 Gc. contain a total spectrum of some 1210 megacycles, which should be adequate for years to come.

Incidentally, the reader is warned that there is a tendency among engineers to refer to transmission line and atmospheric signal losses as a form of noise. The reasoning behind this is simple: Inasmuch as the s.n.r. alone determines performance parameters, we can treat a given amount of signal attenuation and consequent s.n.r. reduction as if the reduction were caused by the introduction of an equivalent amount of noise. This equivalent noise is expressed as an equivalent noise power, or sometimes as an equivalent noise temperature (remember  $kTB$ ?) Although we will continue to treat them as signal attenuations, the reader will undoubtedly see these equivalent noises in his further reading, and as long as he recognizes these shifts in nomenclature for what they are, he should encounter no trouble.

### Wave Spreading

Free-space loss is next on our agenda. This is derived from the law that the power intercepted per unit area from an electromagnetic wave propagating from a point source varies as the inverse

square of the distance from the source. In our case, one can show that the received signal power actually varies roughly as the inverse fourth power of the altitude of the relay point.<sup>1</sup>

All right, the man says, keep the relaying point low, and this loss will be minimized. This is fine, except for the following catch: We recall that microwave signals propagate in straight lines: therefore, we have to have a line-of-sight path from both stations on the ground to the relay point in space. If the two stations are moved farther and farther apart, the altitude of the relay point must be increased, because of the curvature of the earth, so it can continue to "see" both stations. This increased altitude, while resulting in increased range, must also result in increased free-space loss. Thus, one can easily show that range, too, is a function of the system s.n.r. The higher the s.n.r. designed into the system to start with, the farther the relay point can be pulled away from the earth before the s.n.r. dips below the required minimum.

There is another catch as well: The ground station not only must "see" the relay point, it must "see" it at an elevation angle sufficiently high so that waves can be propagated to it with a minimum of effects caused by low radiation angles.<sup>2</sup> This, of course, puts a further limitation on the range of the system here on earth.

### Antenna Gain

This leaves the antenna gains and the relaying operation itself. The desirability of a high s.n.r. makes it imperative that the transmitting and receiving antenna gains be as high as possible. Since it is easier to obtain antenna gain at higher frequencies than at lower ones, the choice of a high operating frequency would be wise. This, too, supports the 1215-Mc. bottom figure of our optimum range.

In this optimum frequency range, the parabolic dish reflector reigns supreme as the highest-gain antenna obtainable. The larger the dish, the higher the gain. These dishes are, in general, at least ten wavelengths in diameter. Obviously, the more wavelengths across, the higher the antenna gain.

One factor is curious, though. Intercepted power is measured in watts per square meter, so the more square meters we have doing the intercepting, the more watts we will collect. Thus, although antenna gain is dependent on diameter in wavelengths, the receiving capture area depends on diameter in feet. Although a given dish will yield 6 db. more gain when the frequency is

<sup>1</sup> As we will say later, it actually varies inversely as the product of the squares of the satellite range from each station. This may be visualized as follows: Station A transmits a signal, decreasing in power as  $1/R^2$  until it reaches the relay point. But in order for the signal to get to the receiver, it must again decrease as  $1/R^2$  from the relay point back to the receiver. Mathematical approximation leads to the result that received power varies roughly as the inverse fourth power of the relay point altitude.

<sup>2</sup> This minimum radiation angle is totally dependent upon the terrain surrounding each station. Considering the typical horizon profile at an amateur station, an angle of seven to ten degrees should be adequate to secure clearance.

doubled, one must double the actual area of the dish to double its capture area.

Incidentally, there is nothing to prevent us from using a helical driving element at the focal point of the parabola, thus meeting our Faraday-rotation problem.

Parabolic dishes produce an extremely narrow beam of radiation. Indeed, this is true of any high-gain antenna. This brings up a nasty question: Suppose the beam is not perfectly aimed at the relay point? If so, the effective antenna gain will be far lower than the gain which would result if the aiming were perfect. This raises the important subject of tracking, which we will defer until a little later.

### The Relay

We now come to the crucial relaying operation, which is in a sense the reason for this entire business. This may take the passive form of a reflection, as in moon bounce, Echo I, and satellite scatter. Alternatively, it may take the active form of an actual retransmission of the received signal in flight, such as SCORE, Courier, and some of the proposed OSCAR systems.

In the first group, the relay point simply acts as a mirror to reflect the signals back to earth. The only special losses incurred here are in reflectivity, or the percentage of the signal striking the surface which actually is reflected, and edge diffraction. In the case of a spherical object, edge diffraction becomes important only when the wavelength of the transmitted signal is comparable, within an order of magnitude, with the diameter of the reflecting body.

An approximate equation for received signal power from this type of relay, neglecting Faraday rotation and atmospheric absorption, is

$$P_r = \frac{G_t G_r \lambda^2 P_t}{(4\pi)^3 R_1^2 R_2^2 G_L} C s$$

where:  $G_t$  = Gain of transmitting antenna.

$G_r$  = Gain of receiving antenna.

$\lambda$  = Wavelength.

$R_1$  = Slant range of satellite to transmitting station.

$R_2$  = Slant range of satellite to receiving station.

$G_L$  = Factor to include effect of transmission-line losses.

$C$  = Reflectivity of relay point.

$s$  = Cross-sectional reflecting area of relay point.

$P_t$  = Power transmitted (measured final-amplifier output).

When all quantities are expressed in correct units and converted to logarithmic form, this equation will yield a corresponding equation in decibels. The three passive systems considered below are the same except for the factors  $C$  and  $s$ . These vary with the specific system used.

### Passive Reflectors

Because of the special nature of the material used in man-made passive reflectors, the reflectivity  $C$  is essentially unity. For satellites such as the Echo series, it is actually 98 per cent at 4 Gc. (4000 Mc.). The effective cross-sectional area  $s$  varies with the particular satellite in use. For a spherical satellite, it is given by  $\pi r^2$ . In the case of Echo I,  $s$  equals 925 square meters.

The reflector does not have to be spherical. For example, in the case of a flat reflector, the area  $s$  is

$$\frac{4\pi A^2}{\lambda^2}$$

where  $A$  is the area of the plate. The large increase over the sphere results because a flat plate is extremely directional in its reflective qualities. Thus at 3 Gc. a 200-foot-diameter circular plate would actually exhibit 70-db. gain over Echo I in the same orbit, providing the plate were always turned precisely toward the earth. Its main deficiency, however, is the extreme range limitation incurred by so directional a reflector. As a consequence of the coplanar and equal-angle reflection laws, signals reaching such a flat reflector from a station on Earth would return to Earth concentrated over a relatively small geographical area. The location of this area would be totally beyond the control of the operators, but would depend on the location and orientation of the flat plate. Spherical reflectors, with their omnidirectional patterns, do not share this difficulty.

### Orbital Scatter

A system which has been proposed recently, though not precisely passive reflection, may well be discussed here. It has been shown that a large number of randomly oriented half-wave dipoles will produce an effective scattering cross-section of quite large proportions. For example, ten billion of these dipoles within the intersecting volume produced by the beam patterns of the ground stations would give 43-db. gain at 3 Gc. over Echo I, assuming that the dipoles were at equivalent altitude, and of ten microns diameter.<sup>3</sup> Their effective area  $Cs$  would then be about twenty million square meters. If enough of these dipoles can be put into orbit to assure a band of uniform "dipole density" surrounding the entire earth, we could then do away with tracking so long as we aim at the band. A related system of "orbital scatter" is currently being investigated at the M.I.T. Lincoln Laboratory.

### Moon Bounce

This is really a special case of passive reflection. The reflectivity of the moon is about seven per cent at 440 Mc.<sup>4</sup> Since the decibel is a logarithmic unit, the error introduced will be small indeed if we carry this figure up into at least the lower part of our optimum range. Inasmuch as the diameter of the moon is 2162 statute miles, the effective  $Cs$  it presents is about 670 billion square meters. Using these figures in

<sup>3</sup> I am indebted to F. E. Bond, C. R. Cahn and H. F. Meyer, all of Thompson Ramo Wooldridge, Los Angeles, for the quantitative figures used in this section, and to W10UN for the reflectivity figure in the following section.

<sup>4</sup> For additional information, see Dyce, "The Appearance of the Moon at Radio Frequencies," *QST*, May, 1961.

our equation, it can be shown that moon bounce actually produces stronger received signals, for the same equipment, than does Echo I.

### Satellite Scatter

We know beyond reasonable doubt that earth satellites are among the causes of signal-strength enhancements, and hence among potential supporters of communication, in the 21-, 23-, and 50-Mc. bands. In fact, such communication has already been conducted.<sup>5</sup> However, it must be admitted that we as yet do not entirely understand its mechanism.

Returning signals usually possess characteristics suggesting that they have been reflected incoherently, hence the name "satellite scatter." The effective cross-sectional area ( $C_s$ ) in our reflection formula has, for satellite scatter, been found to be dependent upon many factors, including some unknowns. Several experimental determinations of this quantity have been made,<sup>6</sup> with the result that we now know typical values to run in the order of a square kilometer at 21 Mc., and to decrease rather sharply with increasing frequency. This rather high value has led many to speculate that it may be due to sporadic interaction between the satellite and the ionized layers through which it passes. A number of investigators have come up with theories about the nature of this interaction, but we do not as yet have sufficient data to discriminate between them. Nevertheless, amateurs are proceeding at full steam on an empirical basis, with considerable success.<sup>7</sup>

The fact that the frequencies on which satellite scatter work is conducted differ widely from our optimum range should not be of too great concern, since what we have here is a case of compensating variables. While it is true that noise levels and antenna problems at 20-50 Mc. exert a downward influence on the s.n.r., the frequency-dependent effective area associated with satellite scatter pulls the s.n.r. far enough in the right direction to compensate. The ever-present ratio has reared its head once more.

### Active Repeaters

Active repeater satellites use receiver-transmitter systems to retransmit received signals on a different frequency back to earth. The corresponding equation for this type of satellite is as follows:

$$P_r = \frac{G_t G_r \lambda^2 P_t}{(4\pi)^3 R_1^2 R_2^2 G_L} \cdot \frac{K g^2 \lambda^2}{4\pi}$$

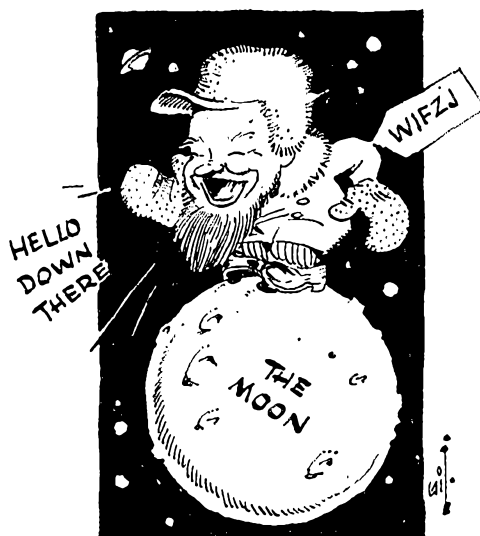
where all symbols have similar meaning to their passive-reflection counterparts with the following additions:

- $K$  = Power gain of repeater circuit in satellite.
- $g$  = Antenna gain of satellite transmitting and receiving antennas (assumed equal for both).

<sup>5</sup> Soifer, "High-Frequency Satellite Scatter," *QST*, July, 1960.

<sup>6</sup> For example, see Kraus, Higgy and Crone, "The Satellite Ionization Phenomenon," *Proc. I.R.E.*, April, 1960.

<sup>7</sup> "The World Above 50 Mc.," May, 1961.



This equation is used in the same way as the one given earlier.<sup>8</sup> Because of the highly particular nature of each repeater system, details of satellite circuitry cannot be discussed here. An example of a hypothetical "ultimate" system will be presented in a subsequent article.

### Doppler Shift

One question we have not yet considered stems from the fact that, in general, an orbiting reflector is a moving body. Because of the Doppler effect, this motion will result in a frequency shift in the received signal.<sup>9</sup> The Doppler shift will vary with relative target velocity, and is approximately given by

$$\Delta f = \frac{f_c (V_{r2} + V_{r1})}{c}$$

where:  $\Delta f$  is the approximate Doppler shift in the same units as  $f_c$

$V_{r1}$  = Relative velocity of target with reference to transmitter.

$V_{r2}$  = Relative velocity of target with reference to receiver.

$c$  = Velocity of propagation ( $3.00 \times 10^8$  meters/sec).

The relative velocities can be computed by trigonometry.

Since the relative velocities vary with time, one can see that the received frequency will vary with time. Provision must be made for this variation when designing the bandwidth of the receiving system. The bandwidth revision must always be upward, thereby increasing the noise in the passband. However, the possibility does exist of alleviating this condition. If we know the satellite position relative to the transmitting and

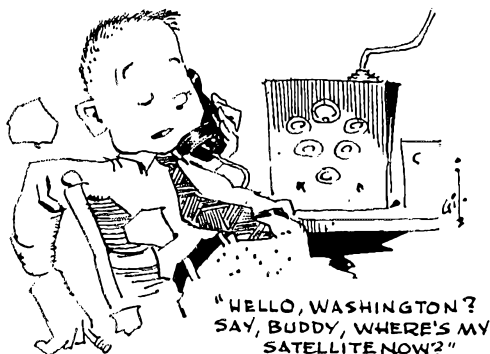
<sup>8</sup> The factor  $K$  is not necessarily a constant, but simply expresses the relationship between the power transmitted by the satellite and that received by it under the conditions existing at the time.

<sup>9</sup> For a description of the Doppler shift, see Garner and Wells, "Ground Support for Project OSCAR," *QST*, May, 1961.

receiving stations, as we must in order to aim our antennas, this information could be used to obtain the relative velocity at any instant. This in turn can be used to automatically adjust the transmitter frequency and receiver h.f. oscillator frequency so as to counterbalance the Doppler shift. It is easier said than done, but it does offer a direction of attack on the problem.

### Tracking

In our discussion of factors contributing to the signal component of the s.n.r. we tacitly assumed that the transmitting and receiving antennas were aimed precisely at the relay point. In the case of some systems, this is a snap. Were we to have a dipole band, for instance, the antennas could be left fixed — right at the band — since the band position stays constant relative to



the Earth. Similarly, a satellite in so-called 24-hour orbit would present no problems. The antenna would have to be aimed but once. In moon-bounce, the problem is not quite so simple, but it can still be solved easily, since the moon moves slowly across the sky in a manner ideally suited to mechanical simulation at very low cost.<sup>10</sup>

It is plain that the above systems enjoy a great advantage over the other microwave techniques (tracking requirements for satellite scatter have not yet been determined, but appear to be simple) inasmuch as tracking, at its worst, can be an exceedingly difficult task. Nevertheless, we are not apt to have 24-hour amateur-band satellites in the near future, and many plans (notably OSCAR) are going ahead which will involve some tracking. So we will go ahead ourselves and explore the problem, in the hope that it will not be necessary to solve it.

A tracking system can be divided into three parts: finding where the relay point is (we will call this the "finder"), processing the information received from the finder into useful form (the "interpreter"), and using the processed information to aim the antenna (the "sharpshooter").

The sharpshooter is a rather simple-minded chap. Unless we give him a feedback loop back to the finder (which is extremely difficult in amateur practice), he cannot tell right from wrong. He simply does as he is told. In addition to being a

<sup>10</sup> LeBaron, "A Home-Built Parabolic-Type Reflector for 1296 Mc.," *QST*, April, 1961.

simpleton, he also has a stubborn streak. That is, if the finder, through the interpreter, should tell him to move too fast in a given direction, he will not do it. This phenomenon is called the "maximum slewing rate limit," and is of greatest concern to radar designers. Sharpshooters generally consist of an arrangement of synchros and servos which drive an antenna rotator — not, however, the type used to drive that tribander on your roof. In a tracking system, the rotator must turn not only horizontally but in a vertical plane as well. That is, the antenna must move not only from side to side, but also tilt upwards. What is more, the rotator must be capable of instantaneously variable speed so as to follow the information supplied it by the interpreter. A fixed-speed motor simply will not do. Such rotators are expensive, and moreover do not *ideally* exist even in commercial practice. This is another area in which development work by amateurs is needed, to bring the cost down to a level which the amateur can afford.

Since finders and interpreters must of necessity be interrelated, we will discuss them together. Perhaps the simplest type of finder is an optical telescope mounted on the antenna. Theoretically, at least, one just aims the telescope at the relay point, and that does it. The interpreter would be the human observer looking through the telescope. While this method may work for experiments, there is little likelihood of its ever coming into use for meaningful communication. The reason for this is reliability. In our temperate American climate, at least in the Northeast, there are on the average 250 days during the year when the sky will be too clouded over to permit use of the optical technique. In addition, particularly with active repeater satellites, there will be only a small part of the day during which the satellite will be visible at all, because of astronomical considerations. Even with the brilliant passive reflectors, the satellite will be invisible when it is in the Earth's shadow, perhaps half the time. Assuming perfect communication reliability (ha!) the percentage of time for which an optical tracking system will yield useful results is probably around ten per cent. This is, of course, far too low — space communications, to be useful to us, must at least be comparable in reliability with our h.f. bands. Clearly, then, optical tracking will not do. Such reliability is achieved only with automatic electronic tracking.

Perhaps the most conventional of the electronic systems — i.e., radar — must be considered out of the question for amateur use. Construction of a satellite-tracking radar is far beyond reach of even the wealthiest club, and it is highly dubious whether the local surplus store will ever feature an FPS-16. An alternate system, used in many commercial installations, revolves around an interferometer which measures the phase differences along two intersecting baselines of received signals from a special transmitter on board the satellite. In the more sophisticated versions the interferometer takes the form of a suitably cou-

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# Amateurs at the Boat Races

## Success on Two Meters

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THE annual Stockton-to-Colusa-and-return out-board motorboat race was held this year over the week end of July 29-30. This is a 319-mile race held every year in which the boats go from Stockton to Colusa one day and return the next.

Communications necessary to a boat race of this type include passing of official times from one race terminal to the other; reporting of boat progress so that each boat's "pit crew" can rendezvous with the boat if it needs help; handling of emergency traffic to ambulances, sheriff's office or others; liaison with Coast Guard Auxiliary boats and handling of traffic as necessary; and in general furnishing race progress information to such interested parties as the press and sponsors.

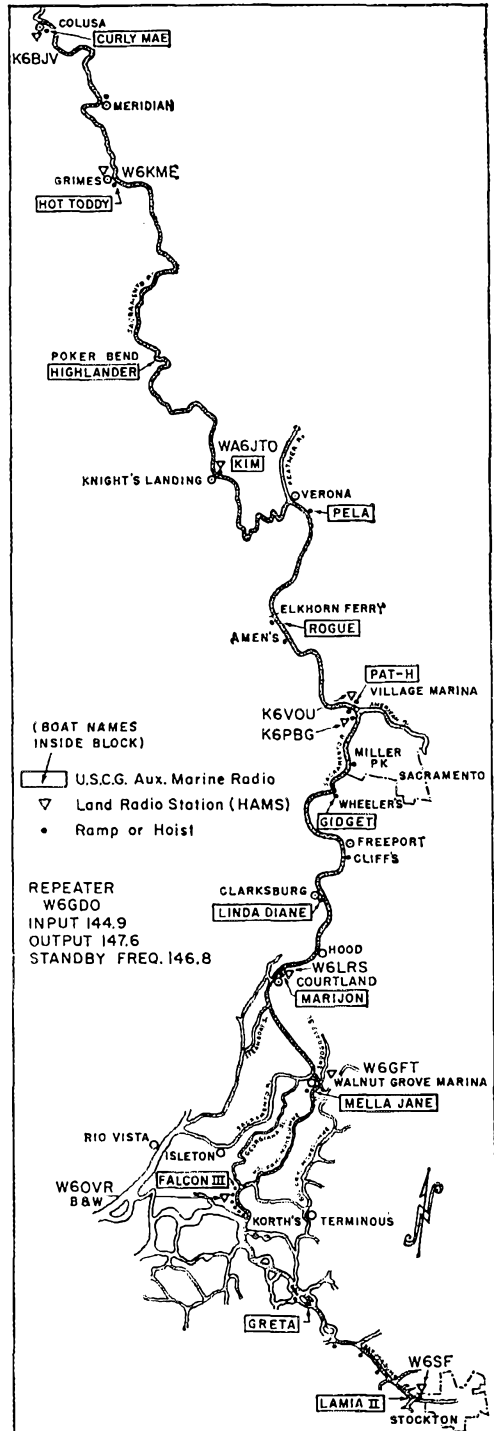
Because 75 meters in previous years proved unsatisfactory, communications in 1961 were handled entirely on two meters. An automatic repeater station was established on 2800-foot Mt. Vaca, west of Sacramento, providing line-of-sight communication with all race points. The repeater was in a building in which K6QIF maintains commercial v.h.f. and u.h.f. equipment.

Two-meter equipment was set up at intervals along the race course, with stations at Stockton, B & W Harbor, Walnut Grove, Courtland, two locations at Sacramento, Knights Landing, Grimes and Colusa (see map). Perfect communication was maintained between all stations transmitting into the repeater on 144.9 Mc. and receiving the repeater on 147.6 Mc. Thus, everyone was in instant contact with all other stations, permitting accurate progress information at all times on any boat.

The stations were located so as to be accessible to U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary boats which were in contact with each other on the marine frequency, but usually were able to contact only the next boat. Information was relayed from boat to boat until it reached a boat near an amateur station, whence it was dispatched via the amateur network.

The Mt. Vaca repeater used a surplus Collins 51M-6 airport receiver into a Gonset Communicator III transmitter. The receiving antenna was the one described on p. 69 of August, 1961, QST. The transmitting antenna was an "extended double zepp." The antennas were constructed by W6PIV. A "stovepipe" cavity was used on the front end of the receiver to minimize interference.

Those who participated in the boat race communications were K6s RBB SFJ UII YOU PBG BJV SRF BNB ENK HHD, W6s PJF SF OVR DKI GFT LRS MIW KME GDO, WA6s OXX JTO. W6ASH chased casual stations off the repeater input frequency. W6MIW drove several hundred miles Saturday checking the repeater



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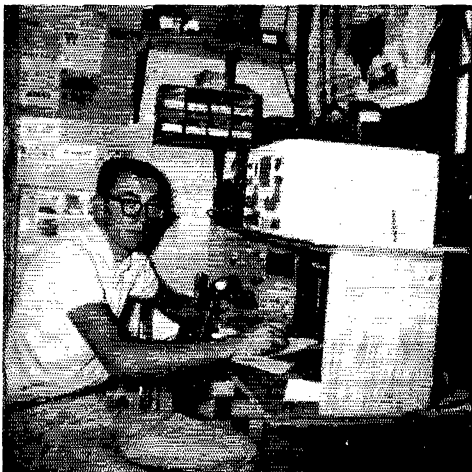
# September V.H.F. Party Summary

## Rough Weather Knocks Down Activity and Scores

THE weatherman refused to cooperate with v.h.f. enthusiasts over the week end of September 16 and 17. The first sting of fall was in the air over much of the country, and even the stay-at-homes found the going in the September V.H.F. Party none too good. Cold windy weather doesn't provide much in the way of tropospheric bending, the great score-builder of many fall v.h.f. contests. Result: there are few new records to be found in the tabulation below.

Temperatures in Northeastern high spots dropped near freezing during Saturday night, and some Western mountaintoppers found it even worse. W7QPB/7, atop 10,800-foot Slide Mountain, near Reno, Nevada, had been in operation less than 4 hours when they were hit by one of the worst fall snowstorms on record. They departed in a hurry, and it was two weeks before they could get back up, with the aid of a 4-wheel drive vehicle, and rescue their gear. W6GGV/6 stuck it out on Goat Mountain, a 6121-foot elevation 100 miles north of San Francisco, but the temperature was on the wrong side of 40 most of the time, and rain and sleet were whipped across the mountaintop by 40 to 50 m.p.h. winds. With such conditions it is not surprising that scores and number of entries are off some from recent contest highs.

Still the scores and enthusiasm were of an order that would have been good for plenty of headlines a few years ago, and much credit for this must go to the hardy crews of the many portable stations. Of the 360 stations reporting, 68 were portables. W2PEZ/2, the station of the 6220 V.H.F. Club, operating from a mountain location near West Milford, N.J., worked 345



Stanley Smith, K3IPM, Philadelphia, worked 308 stations on 50 and 144 Mc., to post the country's second-highest single-operator score in the September V.H.F. Party, and win the E. Pa. Section Award.



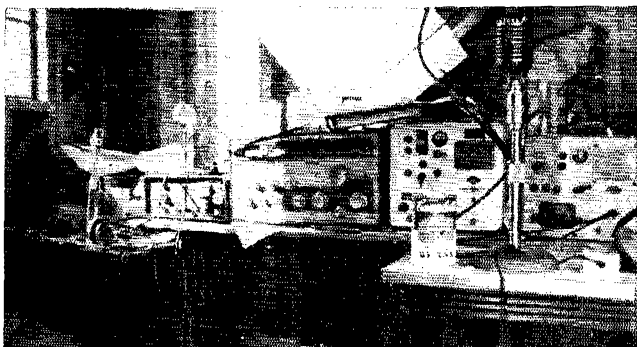
WA2EBP, seen here operating the 2-meter setup of W2LWI/2, looks happy—and well he may be, for the Dutchess County V.h.f. Society placed No. 2 in the country, with 461 contacts and a multiplier of 51, for 25,398 points.

stations in 24 ARRL Sections on 50 Mc., 241 in 15 on 144, 28 in 8 on 220, 10 in 3 on 420, and 1 on 1215 Mc.; 625 contacts and 33,915 points, both highs for the country. Second spot was made by W2LWI/2, of the Dutchess County V.H.F. Society, with 461 contacts and 25,398 points. Their section multiplier of 51 enabled them to top K10OR/1, the station of the King Philip Amateur Radio Society, who held forth on Mt. Greylock, the highest spot in Massachusetts. They worked 577 stations for 22,581 points.

In the single-operator category, WA2BAH/2, E. N.Y. award winner, operating from a fine location near Schenectady, N.Y., worked 50, 144 and 220 Mc. for 250 contacts and a multiplier of 39, for 10,179 points, the highest score by one operator. K3IPM, Philadelphia, E. Pa. winner, made the most contacts, 308, but with a multiplier of 27 ended up with 8316 points. K8TOL, Cleveland, Ohio, also exceeded WA2BAH/2 in number of contacts, with 290, but his section total of 15 put him several layers down, with 4350 points. This won the Ohio Section award by a good margin, however, and it is by ARRL Sections that honors and certificates are won in our v.h.f. contests.

A short sporadic-E skip opening Sunday afternoon helped the cause along, and enabled the best equipped and more alert 6-meter men to run up some nice multipliers. W5UQR, New Orleans, La., worked 110 stations in 24 sections on 6, and W0EAO/0, the Kansas City V.H.F. Club, caught 27 sections. This E<sub>s</sub> works as a great geographical equalizer, helping operators in areas where the local activity may be limited to run up good scores by making the most of whatever skip comes along. Intensive effort on 50 Mc. exclusively resulted in awards being won in 17 ARRL Sections. K3HNP, 256-20-5120, was the leading 50-Mc.-only operator, though he was third in total score

This is just part of the gear used by the highest-scoring station in the West. Operating from 9000-foot Mt. Baldy, K6DBZ/6 used all bands from 50 to 3300 Mc. to work 361 stations for 5488 points. This is the second time that K6DBZ has shown the way in Southern California.



in his section, E. Pa. WA2CNJ took the NYC-LI Section certificate using 50 Mc. only. His setup is a bit unusual; the equipment is *nothing* extra (Gonset II, 5-element beam) but the antenna is atop a high apartment building at 11 Riverside Drive, New York City. A stone's throw from the Empire State building TV antennas, he probably doesn't worry too much about Channel 2 TVI, and that beam more than 600 feet above sea level didn't hurt him any.

Some very nice scores were made on 144 Mc. too. It is of interest to see that WA2CNJ on 50 Mc. and W2GOO, nearby E. NY, on 144 Mc. had almost identical scores. WA2CNJ: 212-16 3392; W2GOO: 205-16-3280. The latter made hay by frequent use of c.w. in chasing elusive sections on 144.

Participation set a farthest-north record this time, with KL7FLC at Ice Station Arlis II, north of Point Barrow, Alaska, coming through with 3 contacts: KL7AUV, VE8BY and VE6IP. VE8-BY, Yellowknife, NWT, worked 5 stations in 4 sections: KL7FLC, VE6s IP and DB, W7EGN, and VE8PZ.

A surprising number of contestants managed more than 300 contacts, despite the poor conditions. These included W3WJC/3 375, W3JZY/3 331, W2JT/2 448, W1GB/1 338, W1BJ/1 373, K4VWH 325, K6DBZ/6 361, K2BJP/2 303, and the leaders already mentioned.

The bands above 1000 Mc. are coming to be more of a factor in the records of high-scoring stations all the time. Not all of this is the result of the APX-6 influence, either. Of the stations reporting, 14 used 1215 Mc. or higher bands. W3WJC/3 had gear for 3300 and 10,000 Mc. W1BJ/1 had a crystal-controlled 2C39 on 1296 Mc. W3CGV also was crystal-controlled on 1296. W6NLZ used 50, 144, 220, 420, 1215 and 2400 Mc. K6DBZ/6, the West's top-scoring station, used all these, and 3300 Mc.

#### Some random observations

Several 2-meter operators mention the needless voice QRM at the low edge of the band, making effective c.w. work all but impossible. Some choice section multipliers were lost this way.

W2GOO: "One v.f.o. sounded so bad that after its user called CQ on c.w. several other W2s were heard calling "CQ aurora!"

Never say die; K10OR/1, driving to the last minute of the contest, picked up a new section multiplier, W8SFG, Ohio, on 2 meters 5 minutes before the end.

W8NOII: "Seems like someone always opens up the 6-meter band just for the contest—but sometimes you have to be keeping a close watch to reap any benefit!"

Youngest contestant? Could be 12-year-old Kenneth Howse, WN8AAC, who did right well on 145 Mc. in Detroit.

### SCORES

In the following tabulation, scores are listed by ARRL Divisions and Sections. Unless otherwise noted, the top scorer in each section receives a certificate award. Columns indicate the final score, the number of contacts, the section multiplier, and the bands used. A represents 50 Mc.; B, 144 Mc.; C, 220 Mc.; D, 420 Mc.; and E, 1215 Mc. or higher. Multiple-operator stations are shown at the end of each section tabulation.

#### ATLANTIC DIVISION

##### Eastern Pennsylvania

K3JPM	8316-308-27-AB
K3IUV	6110-218-26-ABCD
K3HNP	5120-256-20-A
W3SAO	2318-122-18-AB
K3JRO	4326-102-18-AB
W3ETB	1260-105-12-A
W3ARW	1218-45-21-BCD
W3JXT	1008-56-18-AB
W3NOK	935-85-11-B
W3BK F/3	657-73-9-A
K3ISH	630-35-18-A
W3MNV	432-42-9-BDE
W3BJG	360-38-9-ABC
K3HNG	96-24-4-A
W3WJC/3 <sup>1</sup>	(7 oprs.)
W3PMG/3	(7 oprs.)
W3YRT/3	(5 oprs.)
W3QQB/3	(4 oprs.)
W3OL/3	(6 oprs.)
K3EIH	(9 oprs.)
W3JMP	(W3JML, K3JPL)
K3OKW	(7 oprs.)
K3KYK/3	(11 oprs.)

##### Mid-Del-D.C.

K3HFV	3969-144-27-ABC
W3CGV	3186-102-27-ABCDE
K3LNZ	2648-147-18-AB
W3NG	2610-141-18-ABC
K3AZH	1680-105-18-AB
K3CPA	408-51-8-AB
W3TFA	402-67-6-AB
W3HB	399-57-7-B
K3JFU	276-46-6-A
K3BOSZ	193-38-5-B
K3OWX	188-28-6-AB
K2UOP/3	136-34-4-AB
K3EJE	136-34-4-A
K3GTL/3	132-44-3-B
K3CRJ	96-24-4-B
W3CPM	60-30-4-B
W3MSR	88-22-4-B
KN3NTA	78-39-2-B
K3GMB	69-23-3-A
K3OBU	45-15-3-B
K3NOG	36-12-2-A
K3EJP	36-12-3-AB
W3AHQ	20-5-2-C
K3LLR/3	18-9-2-A
W3JZY/3 <sup>1</sup>	(K3AKK, W3s PZK SFY) 11,254-331-34-AB
W3GCO	(W3GCB, K3JZS) 2193-129-17-AB
K3MOY	(K3s KST MOY NMK) 536-67-8-A

##### S. New Jersey

W3RFB	2728-124-22-AB
W2ZUI	1768-104-17-AB
W2BLV	640-32-16-BD
W2ESX	540-45-12-B
WV2UOJ	27-9-3-B

##### Western New York

K2ERQ <sup>2</sup>	2352-112-21-AB
K2YCO	1918-137-14-AB
WA2VCM	1212-101-12-AB
K2GUG	1128-91-12-ABC
WA2KVN	990-90-11-AB
K2ZRX	960-80-12-A
K2JBU	790-68-13-AB
WA2KND	483-69-7-A
K2DDB	324-41-8-A
W2ROA	292-73-4-B
W2RTG	252-42-6-B
WA2OPK	160-40-4-A
W2LFP	150-30-2-A
W2UCZ	150-25-6-A
WV2STX	102-51-2-B
W2ZGF	93-31-3-A
K2KWK	48-48-1-A
K3GF	18-18-1-A
WA2MQP	14-14-1-B
K2RRM/2 <sup>1</sup>	(8 oprs.)
K2PQZ/2	(10 oprs.)
W2UPT/2	(6 oprs.)
WA2FQV/2	(WA2FQV, W2-BKH, K2YDP)
K2ZBU	(K2s OKU ZBU, W2EJZ) 915-61-15-AB
K2DNN/2	(K2s DNN HNL) 165-33-5-A

##### Western Pennsylvania

W3BWU	2992-132-22-ABCD
K3CHC	1802-106-17-AB
W3CSA	160-32-5-AB
W3FUT	95-17-5-B
KN3PGN	84-28-3-B
K3ILD	21-7-3-B
W3UHN	10-10-1-A
W3UCA/3 <sup>1</sup>	(7 oprs.)
K3BBO/3	(K3s BBO FHD) 3410-153-22-ABC
K3LLI/3	(K3s IUZ LLI, K4-KWW) 3048-127-24-AB
K3HKK/3	(12 oprs.) 2550-150-17-AB
W3KWH	(8 oprs.) 1484-100-14-ABC

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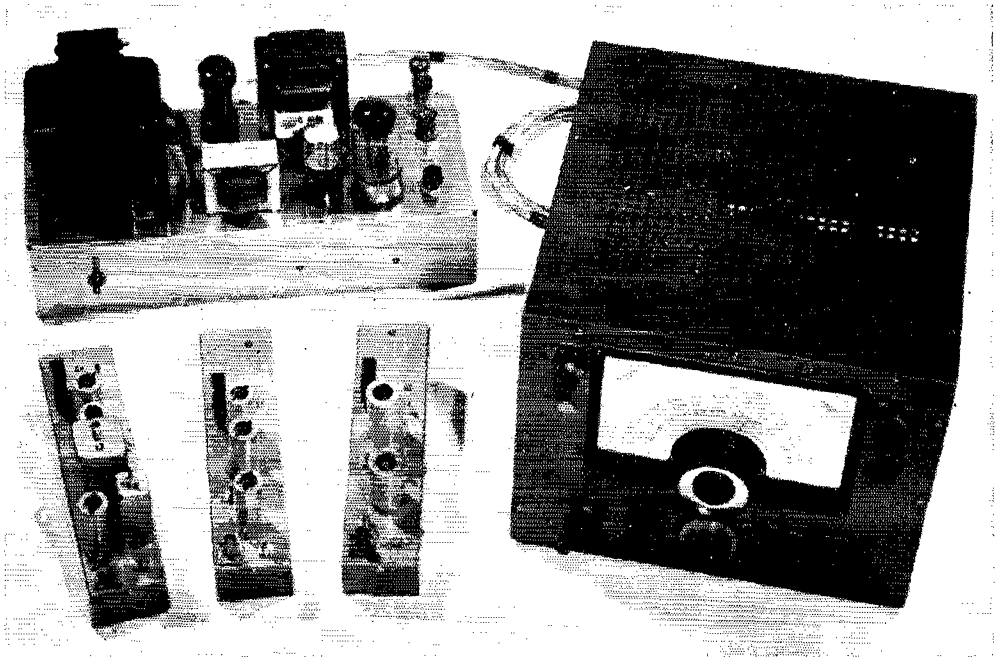
##### Illinois

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W9DJ	736-92-8-AB





# Unit-Type Receiver Construction



A complete amateur-band receiver with separate power supply and plug-in converters for the 7-, 14- and 1.8-Mc. bands. The basic receiver tuning range is 3.5 to 4 Mc. The converters are crystal-controlled fixed-tuned units. The power supply employs a series regulator circuit for the principal voltage and VR tubes for lower voltages. Controls across the bottom of the tuner panel, from left to right, are for a.f. gain, i.f. gain, a.v.c./b.f.o. switch, and r.f. gain. Above to the left is the clipper-filter switch. The speaker-headphone switch and converter gain control are at the right.

## *Plug-In Subassemblies for Flexibility*

BY PHILIP E. HATFIELD,\* W9GFS

*More and more amateurs are coming to the conclusion that the best way to combat today's complexity in transmitting and receiving equipment without freezing the design against tomorrow's developments is through the use of discrete interchangeable subassemblies, no one of which constitutes a major project.*

THE present interest in home-built amateur-band receivers has resulted in a wealth of ideas being published — more than can be incorporated in one receiver. One way to solve the problem of deciding what to include is to make provisions for changing circuitry and trying different ideas with a minimum of disruption of the basic receiver. This can be accomplished by making as many parts of the receiver as possible in the form of separate subassemblies that plug into a main assembly. By proper design of the main assembly, the receiver can be made to function in a usable manner when some of the subassemblies have been removed for repair, rebuilding, or replacement. The use of subassemblies al-

lows a basic receiver to be built and put into operation on one band in a relatively short time, with additional frequency coverage and auxiliary units to be added later.

Using these basic ideas, the receiver shown in the photographs was designed and constructed. The usual home-workshop facilities, cost, and a desire to get the job finished within a reasonable time combined to require compromises that make the receiver short of ideal. What follows is a step-by-step description of the design, together with indications of what I would do if I were building another receiver.

### *General Requirements*

Ideally, detailed plans should have been made to take into account all possible combinations of

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receiver elements that could be used to assemble an amateur-band receiver. Practically, a specific receiver scheme was selected, and an attempt made to design the subassembly interconnecting wiring in a manner that would accommodate omission of some subassemblies and reasonably wide substitution of others.

A majority of the receivers today use multiple conversion and this scheme was adopted. The potential subassemblies into which the receiver could be divided were listed as follows:

- 1) A main tuning unit to cover a frequency range where stability is relatively easily achieved.
- 2) A low-frequency intermediate-frequency unit to achieve the desired selectivity.
- 3) An audio-clipping and filtering unit.
- 4) An audio-output unit.
- 5) Converters for the amateur bands to be covered.
- 6) A power supply.

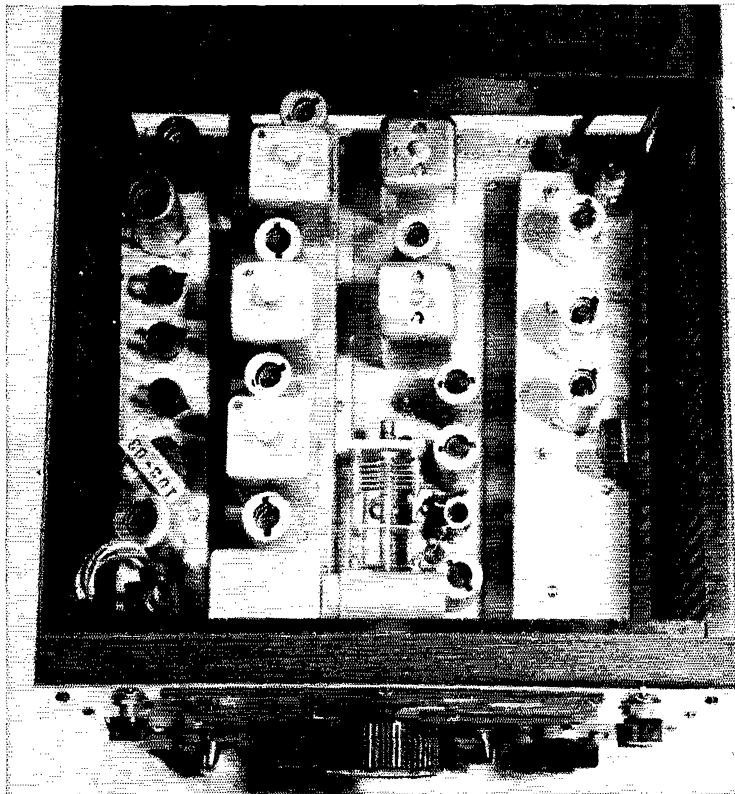
If this were an "engineering" article, the next step would be to design the units and then design an enclosure to fit. However, an amateur approach was used: a cabinet on hand, one from a prewar Moissner Signal Shifter, was selected and the units were designed to fit the cabinet.

If considerable effort was to be expended on the r.f. and a.f. portions of the receiver, it seemed logical to provide a power supply of high stability to match. In addition, it seemed wise to provide several levels of regulated voltage to accommodate any tubes that might be used in the

receiver subassemblies. A supply meeting these requirements would be much too large to place in the cabinet as a subassembly. In addition, it would be a source of considerable heat. Therefore, it was decided to build the power supply on a chassis external to the cabinet.

### *Tuning Unit*

This left five subassemblies to consider. Of the five, the tuning unit looked like a good starting point. The frequency range of 3.5 to 4.0 Mc. was chosen as one at which good frequency stability could be achieved and one that would allow practical operation of the receiver before any of the converter subassemblies were built. It was recognized that difficulty might be encountered with strong 3.5- to 4-Mc. signals when converters were being used for other bands. However, the use of a transmitting antenna with an antenna tuner, resonated at the band in use for all reception, was counted on to ease this problem slightly, and the risk seemed worth taking. The problem of making this unit mechanically stable and also easily removable was not solved, especially in respect to the design of a system for easily uncoupling and recoupling to a dial without losing calibration. Thus, as a compromise it was decided to build this unit on a flat, narrow plate to allow its construction as a unit but to bolt it firmly to the chassis for rigidity. This in turn necessitated the construction in a sheet-metal shop of a skeleton chassis consisting of side and end rails only.



Top view showing the receiver with a complete set of plug-in units in place. The audio section, including the clipper/filter, is to the left, followed by the low-frequency i.f. strip, the basic tuner assembly and one of the several crystal-controlled converters.

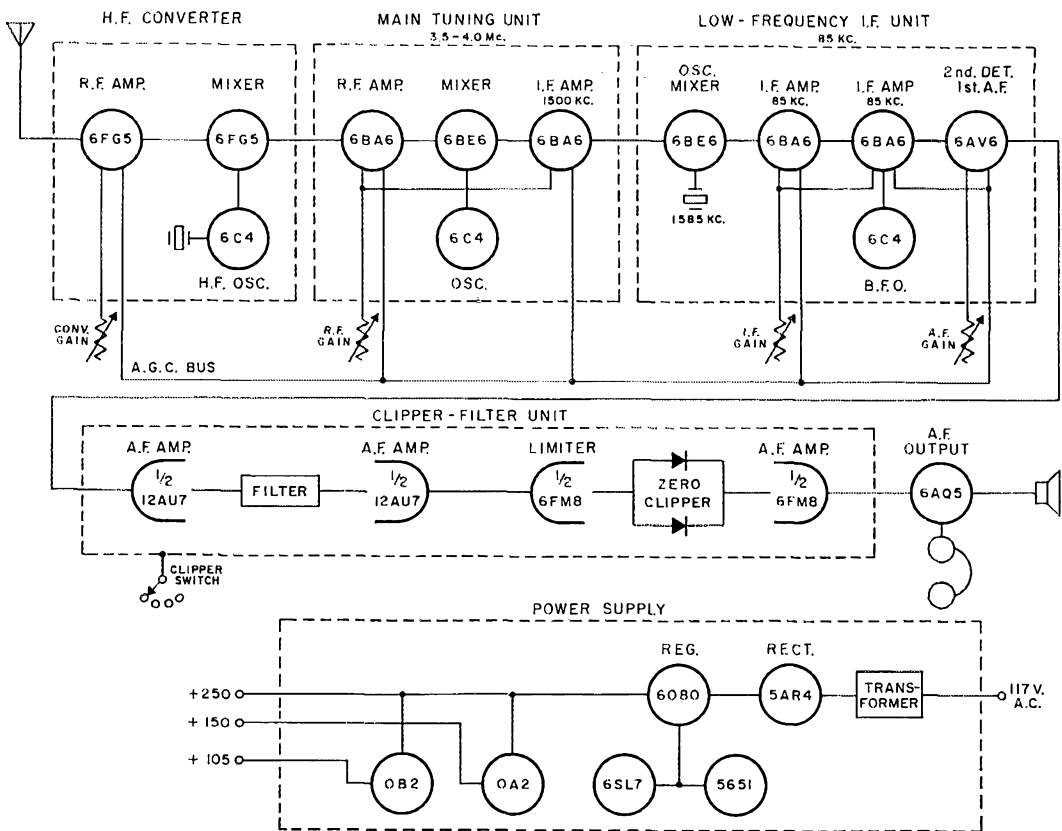


Fig. 1—Block diagram of the sectionalized receiver. The various plug-in units are outlined with dashed lines.

(At the time I was unaware of the existence of Seezak<sup>1</sup> chassis material, which would be ideal for this type of construction.)

The line-up selected for the main tuning unit was an r.f. stage, a mixer, an oscillator, and one 1500-kc. i.f. stage. This combination had the advantage that, with the addition of a germanium diode detector and an external audio amplifier, it could be put in working order before it was permanently mounted on the chassis.

The main tuning unit was built on a plate of  $\frac{1}{8}$ -inch aluminum to obtain maximum rigidity. To make construction on a narrow plate easier, a strip running the length of the plate and mounted on pillars below the plate was equipped with the tie points to terminate bias and decoupling resistors. The tuning unit was mounted at the center of the skeleton chassis, and two plates of  $\frac{1}{16}$ -inch aluminum were cut and fitted to cover the rest of the chassis on either side of the main tuning unit. Aluminum angle was attached to the free edge of each  $\frac{1}{16}$ -inch plate, on the underside, to prevent buckling when subassemblies were inserted or removed. (Here again, Seezak parts could have been used; plates of various widths are available, and two plates could have been

stacked to provide a rigid base for the tuning unit.) A panel and dial were then attached to the chassis. Construction of the receiver was now well under way — even though plans for the next step had not been made.

### Inter-Unit Connections

Plans were now made for the various subassemblies. The wide variety of pre-finished utility boxes available, especially in long, narrow styles suitable for in-line construction, made selection of chassis for the subassemblies relatively easy. However, when all of the subassemblies previously listed were considered there seemed to be insufficient chassis space to hold all of them. Therefore, the idea of making the audio output stage a subassembly was dropped, since space could be saved by placing the tube in a corner of the chassis, and the output transformer under the chassis. (I still think it *should* have been plug-in. However, this represents one of the numerous corners that I backed myself into.)

After suitable chassis for the subassemblies had been selected, attention was turned to the inter-unit wiring and the plug-and-socket system. It seemed well to make provision for the following lines to all subassemblies: 6.3 volts for heaters, +105 volts, +150 volts, +250 volts

<sup>1</sup> Manufactured by Rimak, Inc., 10929 Vanowen St., North Hollywood, Calif.

and ground. In addition, the i.f. subassembly required input, output, i.f. gain control, a.f. gain control, and a.g.c. output. The clipper and filter unit required input, output, and switching. The converters required input, output, gain control, and a.g.c. input.

There are many multiple-pin connectors available, but most of them have disadvantages such as cost, size, and that bane of all home constructors, rectangular mounting holes. The final choice was tube-base-style plugs with 8 or 11 pins. These are cheap and, if the type that fits into a mounting plate with a snap ring is used, slight amounts of angular error in mounting can be tolerated as the plugs and socket have some freedom to turn.

The sockets selected for the subassemblies were mounted and attention was turned to the rear apron of the chassis. A coaxial connector for the antenna, a 6-pin plug for the power cable, an 11-pin socket, and two phone jacks were mounted on the rear apron. The jacks are for the phones and speaker, as it is preferable that the cords for these do not run across the operating table from the front of the receiver. The 11-pin connector was included to allow external control of plate power to the receiver. Thus, B- and B+ 105 were brought to the socket in such a way that a plug with jumpers is required to complete their circuits. If switching of either of these circuits is necessary during transmission, no wiring changes within the receiver need be made. Both phone and speaker lines were also brought to this socket to allow permanent connection to other equipment.

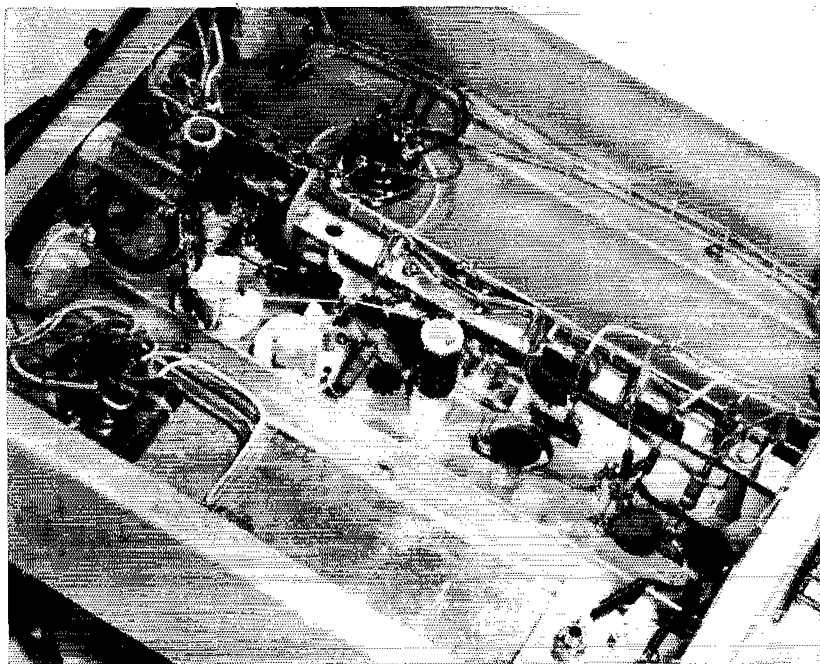
### Panel Controls

Front-panel layout was next considered. Converter-gain, r.f.-gain, i.f.-gain, a.f.-gain, antenna-trimmer, and a.g.c.-b.f.o. controls were included. In addition, a switch was added to turn the speaker off when phones are being used. This eliminates the necessity for reaching to the rear of the receiver to pull out a plug. The switch marked **CLIPPER** gives the four normal modes of operation with a limiter/audio-filter system: "out," "limit," "filter," and "both." The hole filled with a hole plug, below the clipper switch, was placed there for any control or switch that might have been forgotten in the original design. This was done to eliminate hole drilling after the panel had been painted and the decals had been placed.

### I.F. Amplifier

The low-frequency i.f. unit was now constructed. This unit included a crystal-controlled converter for conversion from 1500 kc. to 85 kc., two stages of 85-kc. i.f., a b.f.o., a second detector, and a stage of a.f. voltage amplification. Here the 11-pin plug did not furnish sufficient connections, and two banana plugs were used at the input end to connect to the output of the 1500-kc. i.f. amplifier in the main tuning unit. (Here, if I were starting over, I would use an 11-pin plug at one end of the assembly and an 8-pin plug at the other end. The normal looseness of removable mounting-plate plugs and sockets would have made alignment of two plugs relatively easy. In addition, if extra pins had been available, I surely could have found functions for them!)

A plug was wired to jumper the input and out-



Bottom view of the basic tuner strip. Wiring is facilitated by mounting tie points on an elevated strip of aluminum.

put leads in the chassis socket intended for the clipper-filter subassembly, a short coaxial cable was substituted for a converter, and the receiver was workable on 80 meters.

### Audio Clipper

The audio clipping and filtering unit was constructed next. This consisted of a peaked amplifier, similar to one stage of the unit described by Campbell,<sup>2</sup> followed by a shunt diode limiter from the same unit. Between this and the output voltage-amplifier stage, another limiter using germanium diodes<sup>3</sup> was placed. In this subassembly the 11-pin connector provided insufficient pins for switching, and a Jones connector was placed on the top of the subassembly to mate with a plug on a short cable from the clipper switch. This switch was labeled with position numbers instead of functions for two reasons: (1) there was little room; (2) the optimum sequence was unknown. The present sequence of "out," "filter," and "both" seems satisfactory, but changes can be made without changing the panel marking. The audio clipping and filtering unit has three additional controls, but as these are of the "set and forget" variety, no thought was given to putting them on the panel.

### High-Frequency Converters

When the static got too bad on 80 meters, converters for three bands were considered. Thus far, converters for three bands have been built. The bands covered are 14, 7, and 1.8 Mc. The same size utility box was used for each converter, but different circuits or tube line-ups have been used in each one. All of them are crystal-controlled and, of course, fixed-tuned. No attempt was made to cover a wide band in the 1.8-Mc. converter; rather, it was designed to cover the segment of the band available in this area.

<sup>2</sup> Campbell, "Modernizing the C.W. Clipper-Filter," *QST*, December, 1956.

<sup>3</sup> French, "The Zero Clipper," *Radio & TV News*, May, 1958.

The use of converters, with their relative cheapness and simplicity, makes it practical to try new "front-end" ideas without the necessity for tearing apart existing converters or disrupting operation of the receiver. (So far, this appears to be one subassembly where the plug and socket selected have an adequate number of pins.)

The power supply far outgrew the subassembly size and ended up on a rather large chassis. However, since it incorporates electronic regulation of the +250-volt supply, plus gas-tube regulated supplies for +105 volts and +150 volts, it should serve for almost any receiver combination.

### Hints on Construction

The accompanying photographs show some of the details of construction of the receiver. The block diagram shows the tube line-up with the 7-Mc. converter in use.

In the foregoing description some of the things that I would do differently are listed. Here is a summary of what I would do if I were building another complete receiver:

- 1) Use standard chassis parts (Scezak) and a larger cabinet.
- 2) Use sufficient connector pins on each subassembly to allow plenty of spares.
- 3) Make provision for two converters to be left plugged in at one time. This, together with switching, would allow choice of the fundamental range plus two additional bands without plugging in converters. In fact, the chassis could be made large enough to mount all converters.
- 4) Make the main tuning unit plug-in. This could be done by sectionalizing the front panel and removing a portion of the panel, the tuning dial, and the tuning subassembly as one unit.
- 5) Make the audio output stage plug-in.

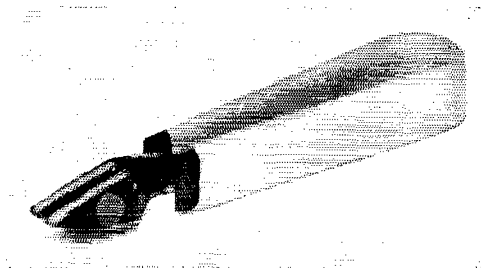
In closing, I will make the usual statement, found in most home-built-receiver articles, that this represents the best receiver that I have ever owned. However, I am not going to tell you what other receivers I have owned!

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## • New Apparatus

### Miller Heat-Sink Tool

ALMOST every constructional article involving transistors or diodes reminds the constructor to "grasp the lead of the semiconductor being soldered with long-nose pliers, to protect it from the soldering heat." Unfortunately, this requires the use of one hand, leaving only one free for the soldering operation — which always seems to take at least two! The model 80 Heat Sink Tool, manufactured by the K. Miller Tool and Manufacturing Co., Inc., of West Springfield, Massachusetts, solves the problem by freeing both hands for the soldering operation. The tool has copper jaws for clamping on the lead, providing an excellent heat sink to protect the semicon-



ductor. The jaws are opened by pressure on the loop handle, which is covered with a tough insulated plastic jacket. The tool has a secondary use as a holder for any small or delicate parts while soldering or assembling.

— E. L. C.

# The Red Polka Dot Paralyzer

BY JOHN G. TROSTER,\* W6ISQ

MARGE, let's don't get each other Christmas presents this year."

"That's a good idea, John. We could put the money into something for the kids, or something for the whole family to enjoy. That's a good idea."

"Well, ahhhh — yes, Marge. Only I was thinking — maybe we'd do better if we bought our own presents ourselves — something like that."

"Yes, John, I know. You want a radio."

"Well, ahhh — I hadn't thought of that. Actually I was thinking it would be a chance for me to pick out my own neck tie for a change — like to choose my own colors, you know. But now that you mention it, Marge — maybe a transmitter — swell idea — glad you thought of it."

"OK, John. You win. But what shall we get the kids?"

"Well, I've been thinking we ought to get Junior a receiver. You know how he hangs around when I operate. Might as well get him started right. He could listen to me — sometimes I wonder if this rig gets as far as his room! Anyway, it's something every boy should have. Like a dog. Then there's the tremendous educational value, too. Short wave, police calls, overseas broadcasts — he could follow world events —"

"John."

"Ahhhhh, yes, Marge."

"Is this radio going to be like that doll's clothes line you bought Susie for her birthday? The one that now rotates 60 feet up on top of the tower?"

"Oh, no, Marge. Nothing like that. Susie knew I was fooling — besides she would rather use your drier. Wouldn't she?"

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"What do you think of it, Marge. Beauty eh?"

"I thought you only wanted to choose your own color for a tie."

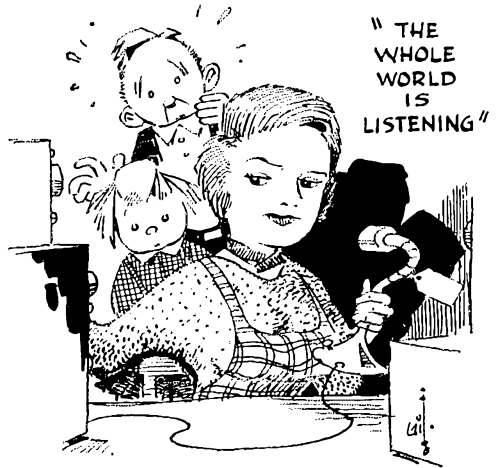
"You're kidding — ha. Well, I want you to know this is a real bargain. This, my dear is the new 'Potawatamee Paralyzer' final — It's got everything, I tell ya!"

"It's final all right! How much more was it than the tie you so desperately wanted to choose for yourself?"

"Now look, Marge, I got a real good deal. I traded off the old 'Kickapoo Kilowatt' for this. Remember that old thing I had kicking around for the last few years — the one in the dreary old black box? Well, look at this Paralyzer! Beautiful colors, don't you think? Now with the 'Scandohooival Pulverizer' driving this 'Potawatamee Paralyzer' — well, this is it."

"Tell me more about that fantastic trade, John."

"Now wait, Marge, don't be too hasty. I got Junior's receiver in the same deal. He loves it, too. He already knows how to use most of the



dials and knobs — really learns fast. Chip off the old — Noooooo, just a minute, Junior. That's the control for the panadaptor — I'll show you that one later. You practice using that 30-cycle Automatic Signal Rejection Magnatonic Filter. Leave that dial alone, too — I'll show you how to snap in the fourth i.f. later — only need that one for Sweepstakes — ha. Here, put on the earphones — I'll tune in something for you. What do you hear?"

"Geccc, heep, foop, feep, urrrp, gasa, meece peep —"

"See that, Marge, he's picking up the code already! I tell you a real chip off the old — why, another 10 or 15 years he'll have it down pretty —"

"Marge, come back. Don't get mad. As a matter of fact, I got you something too."

"What color is it?"

"Chrome — ahhhh, don't be funny. What I got you is going to make all the difference in our family circle. You see, this is the new Super Dynamic Floating Crystal Uniaudio mike. Now the whole family can talk. With that old mike I used to have, it was pretty hard to make yourself understood. Had to get so close. Now you won't have to come in the shack here every time you want to talk. You can yell in from the kitchen. Then with Junior's new receiver — well, I can turn it up and you can hear the thing clear into the laundry! You'll be able to talk all over the world from any place in the house."

"John, what I have to say — I won't need a transmitter to be heard around the world."

"Susie, don't push that button. The clothes line is pointed in the right direction now. Junior, better not play with that receiver anymore now, OK, I'll buy a panadaptor — I mean I'll tell you about it next week or something — lookout,

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*A simple trick, but one we don't recall having seen before. The two output voltages are not obtained simultaneously, but only one filter is required.*

# A Two-Way Power Supply

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ANYONE who has built a power supply knows that the transformer is the largest and most expensive part in the supply. Here is a little trick which doubles the usefulness of the transformer and makes the supply more versatile.

You will notice from the diagram, Fig. 1, that two more rectifiers and a switch have been added to a regular center-tap rectifier system. The circuit is switched from a full-wave center-tap supply to a full-wave bridge supply by changing the ground connection by means of  $S_1$ . With  $S_1$  in Position 1,  $CR_2$  and  $CR_3$  are back to back and the anodes are left floating. They cannot conduct in this position, and since the center tap of the transformer is now at ground potential, the circuit conducts as a normal full-wave center-tap supply. With  $S_1$  in Position 2 the anodes of  $CR_2$  and  $CR_3$  are put at ground potential and the center tap of the transformer is left floating. The circuit now conducts as a full-wave bridge rectifier, giving almost the peak a.c. voltage across the secondary as a d.e. output.

A supply of this type has many uses. One example is in a transmitter as the tune-operate control; the center-tap position could be the low-voltage "tune" position, and the bridge could be the high-voltage "operate" position.

With this type of circuit you are actually getting two supplies for the price of one transformer. One supply gives you low voltage and

high current, and the other gives you twice the voltage but at a lower current. But if I know hams, they could probably get the same current from both supplies! When a new supply is being built, two more rectifiers and a s.p.d.t. switch might just as well be put in from the start, even if they are not needed at the moment. Power supplies are used for almost every piece of ham gear and they may as well be made as versatile as can be from the start.

The silicon diodes shown in the diagram have a peak inverse voltage rating of 800 volts, which is sufficient for a total transformer voltage of 560. When using a different transformer, choose diodes with a peak inverse voltage rating high enough to avoid breakdown. If higher voltages are needed for possible use as a supply for a final amplifier, 866As could be used with a larger transformer, or additional diodes could be used in series in each leg. In fact, this arrangement of components can be used for any supply where there is a possible need for the two types of output.

Also, you have to choose the voltage rating of the capacitors for the full-wave bridge and not the full-wave center tap, since the bridge will give you twice the voltage.

The circuit shown was assembled from available parts to prove the usefulness of the supply when connected in this manner. It is used as a bench supply for repair work but, as stated before, this type of hookup could be used for any supply.

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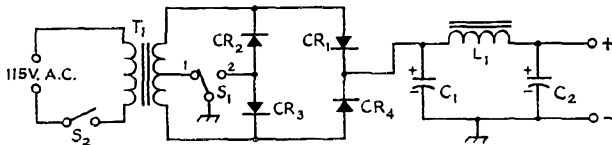


Fig. 1—Power-supply circuit offering a choice of two voltages.

$C_1$ ,  $C_2$ —4  $\mu$ f. or more, as required for the particular application. For a transformer similar to that specified below, 450 w.v. electrolytics can be used in series.

$CR_1$ — $CR_4$ , incl.—Silicon rectifiers, 800 peak inverse voltage rating (RCA 1N3196 or similar).

$L_1$ —Smoothing choke, 2 henrys or more, depending on smoothing required; 16 henrys at 80 ma. (Stancor

C-1420) in the author's supply with the transformer listed below.

$S_1$ —S.p.d.t. toggle.

$S_2$ —S.p.s.t. toggle.

$T_1$ —Power transformer, according to requirements. The transformer used in the supply built by the author delivers 260 volts each side of center tap at 90 ma. (Stancor PC-8404).

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## Open-Key Voltage in Cathode-Keyed Circuits

THERE is increasing interest in the use of transistors for keying c.w. transmitters, principally to replace mechanical devices, such as relays, in electronic keyers. The advantages of a fast-acting, purely electronic device are obvious. The transistor offers high current-carrying capacity and low voltage drop, but it is strictly limited in the collector-to-emitter voltage that it can handle safely. In cases where a transistor is to be used to replace an ordinary key, therefore, the voltage across the open key becomes a matter of considerable importance.

In blocked-grid keying systems the determination of the open-key voltage is usually no problem, since it is set by the voltage available from the blocking source. The voltage across the key in cathode-keyed setups is less easily established. Available measurements have indicated some inconsistencies that need to be resolved.

Take the cathode-keyed circuit of Fig. 1A, where only the d.c. paths are considered. One might guess that the tube could be replaced by a diode, in which case its plate-cathode resistance would be low and the voltage read on a high-resistance voltmeter would be essentially that of either the screen supply or plate supply (but which?). Or the opposite could be assumed — that the tube is essentially an open circuit, in which case the voltmeter would show zero reading. Actually, neither is true.

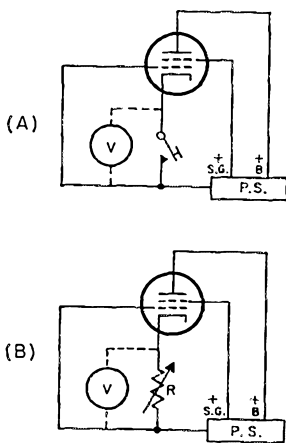


Fig. 1—Cathode keying reduced to its equivalent d.c. circuits.

A logical approach to the question can be based on the circuit of Fig. 1B. Cathode current flowing through  $R$  develops a voltage which biases the grid negatively. As we increase the value of  $R$  the bias also increases, so that the more resistance we use the less cathode current we get. If  $R$

is made large enough, the bias approaches the plate-current (and screen-current) cutoff value. Now if we assume that this process will continue no matter how large  $R$  is made — i.e.,  $R$  approaches infinity — we can see that *in the limit* we have an open cathode, at which point the grid bias will have just that value which completely cuts off the screen and plate current. Thus, if we know the open-circuit values of plate and screen voltage, and have a set of characteristic curves for the tube, we can determine the exact value of cathode voltage (which is also the grid bias at which cutoff will occur).

This process would require more detailed tube data than are generally available. However, a good approximation can be made by a very simple calculation. In a tetrode or pentode the cathode current is almost entirely a function of the screen voltage, so the plate voltage can be ignored with little error. Knowing the open-circuit screen voltage, the cutoff bias can be found if the screen-grid amplification factor is known. It is generally given in the tube data, at least for transmitting tubes. As given, it is usually based on some value of cathode current near the normal operating value; the actual  $\mu$  near cutoff is always lower. However, the published value does give us a starting point. To a first approximation, then, the open-circuit cathode voltage will be equal to the screen voltage divided by the screen  $\mu$ . Actually, the screen-to-cathode voltage, rather than the screen-to-ground voltage, should be used in such a calculation. However, because of the decrease in  $\mu$  near cutoff the calculated result generally will be nearer the truth when we use the screen-to-ground voltage. Even so, the calculated value will tend to be somewhat lower than what is measured.

### Measurement Results

Measurements made on two small transmitting tubes (large ones aren't likely to be — or shouldn't be — keyed in the cathode circuit) confirm the usefulness of this approach. One, a 5753, had 300 volts from screen to ground with the cathode open. According to the tube data, the screen  $\mu$  for this tube is 16, for conditions resulting in a plate current of 45 ma. This  $\mu$  would indicate a cutoff voltage of  $300/16 = 19$  volts. Actual measurement showed 29 volts. The second tube was a 6146 with 300 volts, open circuit, on its screen. (The plate voltage was close to 800 under the same conditions.) The published screen  $\mu$  for the 6146 is 4.5 at a plate current of 100 ma. This figure leads to a cutoff bias of  $300/4.5 = 67$  volts. The measured value was 80 volts.

Two voltmeters were used for the measurements, one having a resistance of 1 megohm and the other a resistance of 11 megohms. The meas-



ured voltages were consequently quite close to the actual cutoff voltages for the tubes, since the cathode current was only of the order of microamperes. Both meters gave the same answers, indicating that, at least in these cases, a cathode resistance of a megohm or more could be considered "infinite." That is, the assumption is reasonable that the voltage measured differs negligibly from the actual open-cathode voltage.

Because of the reduction in  $\mu$  near cutoff, the calculated value of open-circuit cathode voltage needs to be increased by 20 to 50 per cent. With some such allowance, one can make a rather good estimate of the voltage to be expected.

### Keyed Amplifiers

However, that isn't the whole story. The tubes in the circuits of Fig. 1 have only d.c. voltages applied to the elements. The case of the keyed amplifier is quite different.

With continuously running drive, the circuit has the simplified form shown in Fig. 2. In addition to the bias developed in the cathode resistor, there is also an d.c. voltage applied to the grid in series with the cathode bias. In other words, there are positive pulses, on half of each excitation cycle, tending to overcome the cathode bias. Nevertheless, there can be no conduction through the tube because the cathode circuit is physically open-circuited. What happens?

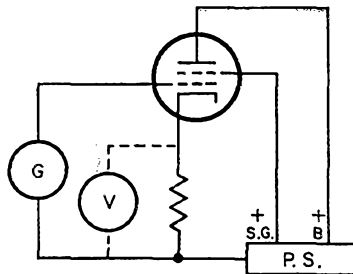


Fig. 2—An amplifier with drive continuously applied has two components of grid-to-cathode voltage. The r.f. voltage is represented by the generator G in this figure.

Using the approach outlined in Fig. 1B, it isn't hard to anticipate what will happen. To reach cutoff, more bias has to be developed across the "infinite" cathode resistance. There has to be enough to prevent the positive peaks from going beyond cutoff. This, in fact, is what occurs. The open-circuit cathode voltage rises with the amount of grid-drive voltage on the tube. By varying the r.f. voltage at the grid of a 6146 amplifier in a small transmitter, measurements showed that the open-circuit cathode voltage rose from the 80-volt figure under static conditions to as high as 300 volts at the maximum grid drive available. This drive was the unloaded equivalent of about 6 ma. of grid current under normal operating conditions and loading. At the rated key-closed grid current of 3 ma. the open-circuit cathode voltage rose to 175 volts.

Quite clearly, there is no way to anticipate what the actual cathode voltage will be in a

keyed amplifier that has drive continuously applied to the grid. It will always be more, and possibly very much more, than the static value. Considerable caution should be used in keying such circuits with transistors.

Amplifier keying is not common practice, as it happens, except where differential keying is used. Even in this case it is not customary to key the amplifier *cathode*. If an attempt is made to do so, it is necessary to keep in mind the fact that shaping circuits will have the effect of closing the amplifier circuit after excitation is applied and of opening it before excitation is removed. During these periods the cathode voltage may exceed the static value by a considerable margin.

If you are tempted to use such an arrangement with a transistor "key," play it safe by measuring the voltage at the open cathode of the amplifier with the oscillator running continuously. Vary the excitation over the entire range the transmitter provides, and take the largest voltage you measure as the minimum for circuit design purposes.

### Multistage Keying

A familiar keying arrangement opens the cathodes of two or more tubes simultaneously, one of them being the oscillator. Since an oscillator cannot generate any r.f. when its cathode is open, there is no r.f. voltage at its grid at that time. Thus the open-circuit cathode voltage of an oscillator can be calculated on the static basis.

Also, with this type of simultaneous keying there is no r.f. reaching the grid of the amplifier when the key is open. The amplifier's cathode voltage, too, can be calculated for static conditions. The method outlined above will lead to quite usable results with multistage keying of this kind. Since the cathodes of the oscillator and amplifier or amplifiers are connected together and to the "hot" side of the key, they will necessarily all be at the same potential when the key is open. Under these conditions the voltage will be that assumed by the tube that takes the largest open-circuit cathode voltage.

—G. G.

### Strays

K3MOE had needed W. Va. for a long time, and finally happened across W3ILD operating mobile in that elusive state. A couple of months later K3MOE worked his first D.C. station by hooking up with W3ILD working mobile in the nation's capital. If W3ILD will just keep at it, K3MOE will make WAS yet.

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K4EQK, out on a hidden transmitter hunt, came upon an accident and reported it to K4FZI, who was stationed at the starting line. Conveniently, the starting line was next door to the local police station. When K4FZI reported to the desk sergeant, saying that he got the message by radio, the sergeant exclaimed incredulously, "We didn't hear it on *our* radio!"

# • *Beginner and Novice*

## A Combination Band Checker, Field-Strength Meter, and Monimatch

*How To Improve the Operation of Your Novice Station*

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THE unit shown in the photographs and Fig. 1 is a piece of equipment that has several different uses, all of which are important to the beginner in amateur radio. There are three basic applications for the instrument, the first being its use as a wavemeter or "band checker." In many instances, whether a transmitter is home-built or commercial, it is possible to tune up a rig on the wrong band, even though the band switch is set at the band you want to work. This is a very common problem with the Novices. The wavemeter described in this article can be easily calibrated for the different bands from 80 through 10 meters, and because it has a meter ( $M_1$ ) in it, the unit will provide a visual indication of the band you are actually tuned up on. It's very handy for checking circuits in the transmitter, too. For example, you can check to see if an oscillator stage is working *and* on what band it is oscillating.

Another important function of the instrument is to show you when an antenna system is properly adjusted. Built into the unit is a Moni-

match,<sup>1</sup> a standing-wave-ratio bridge which samples both the forward and reflected r.f. voltages in the transmission line and provides a visual indication, on  $M_1$ , of the relative amplitudes of these voltages. Obtaining the correct adjustment of an antenna coupler or a matching device at the antenna is very important if you want to get the maximum transfer of power from your rig to the antenna. The Monimatch will show you when you have the correct adjustment.

Still another use for the instrument is as a field-strength meter. In adjusting fixed or mobile antennas it is very helpful to have some type of field-strength indicating device to show you when you have the best adjustments on your antenna.

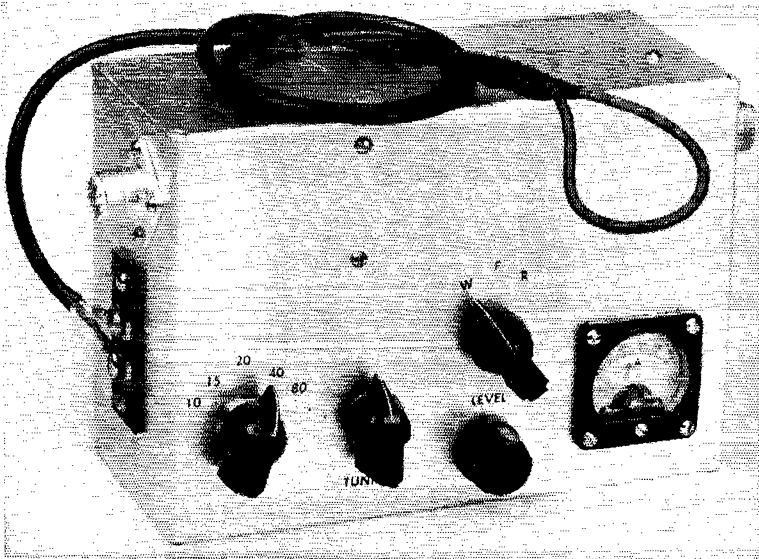
So much for some of the uses of the unit. You'll come across other ideas as you use it.

### *How It Works*

As a band checker or s.w.r. bridge, the unit is designed to be inserted in the coax line and left

<sup>1</sup> McCoy, "Monimatch, Mark II," *QST*, February 1957. (This issue no longer available from ARRL.)

\* Technical Assistant, *QST*.



Here is the completed wavemeter/Monimatch ready for use. The pickup loop for the wavemeter is attached to terminals  $E_1$  and  $E_2$ . At the left is the knob for  $S_1$  and to its right is the control for  $C_1$ . The letters above the  $S_2$  knob are W for wavemeter, F and R for forward and reflected.

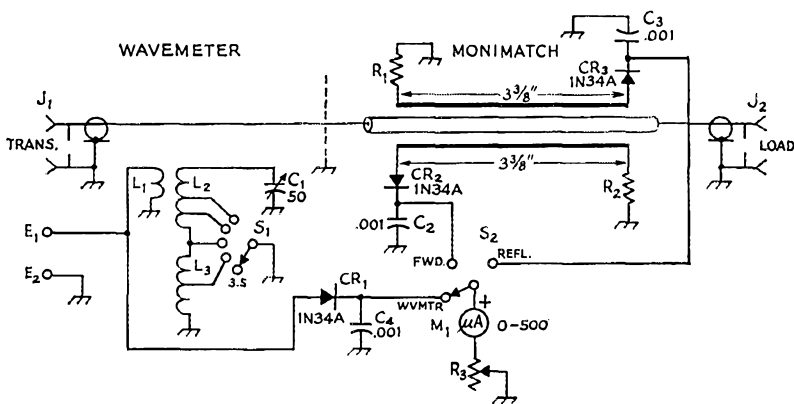


Fig. 1 — Circuit diagram of the combination wavemeter-Monimatch. Resistances are in ohms, decimal capacitances are in  $\mu\text{f.}$ , others are in  $\mu\mu\text{f.}$

$C_1$ —50- $\mu\text{mf.}$  variable (Hammarlund HF-50).

$C_2, C_3, C_4$ —0.001- $\mu\text{f.}$  disk ceramic.

$CR_1, CR_2, CR_3$ —1N34A germanium diode.

$E_1, E_2$ —Two-terminal bakelite terminal strip.

$J_1, J_2$ —Coax chassis terminal, type SO-239.

$L_1$ —Three turns No. 20 insulated wire tucked inside  $L_2$ ; see text.

$L_2$ —14 turns No. 20, 16 turns per inch, 1-inch diam. (B & W Miniductor 3015).

$L_3$ —48 turns No. 24, 32 turns per inch, 1-inch diam. (B & W Miniductor 3016).

40-meter tap: 12 turns from ground end of  $L_3$ .

20-meter tap: Junction of  $L_2, L_3$ .

15-meter tap: 6 turns from junction of  $L_2, L_3$ .

10-meter tap: 11 turns from junction of  $L_2, L_3$ .

$M_1$ —0-500- $\mu\text{a.}$  meter.

$R_1, R_2$ —150 ohms,  $\frac{1}{2}$  watt, for 50-ohm cable; 100 ohms,  $\frac{1}{2}$  watt, for 70-ohm cable.

$R_3$ —50,000-ohm composition control, linear taper.

$S_1, S_2$ —Single-pole, five-position switch (Mallory type 3115J); only three positions used on  $S_2$ .

there when the rig is operated. Referring to Fig. 1, there is enough coupling between the wavemeter tuned circuit,  $L_2, L_3, C_1$ , and the conductor carrying r.f. from  $J_1$  to  $J_2$  to induce an r.f. voltage on the pickup coil,  $L_1$ . This voltage is rectified by  $CR_1$ , and the d.c. output is read on  $M_1$ .  $R_3$  is used to control the amount of current flow through the meter.  $S_1$ , the wavemeter band switch, shorts out portions of  $L_2, L_3$  to change the inductance for various bands.

For checking tuned circuits or as a field-strength meter, the instrument is removed from the transmission line. A pickup loop, consisting of a single turn of insulated wire at the end of about two feet of RG-58/U or RG-59/U coaxial cable, is connected to the two terminals  $E_1, E_2$ . The pickup loop can then be used as a probe around the circuit being checked. The unit is small enough to be hand-held, but this could prove to be dangerous, because more than likely you'll be checking "live" circuits and the unit is in a metal chassis. For field-strength measurements an antenna should be connected to terminals  $E_1, E_2$ .

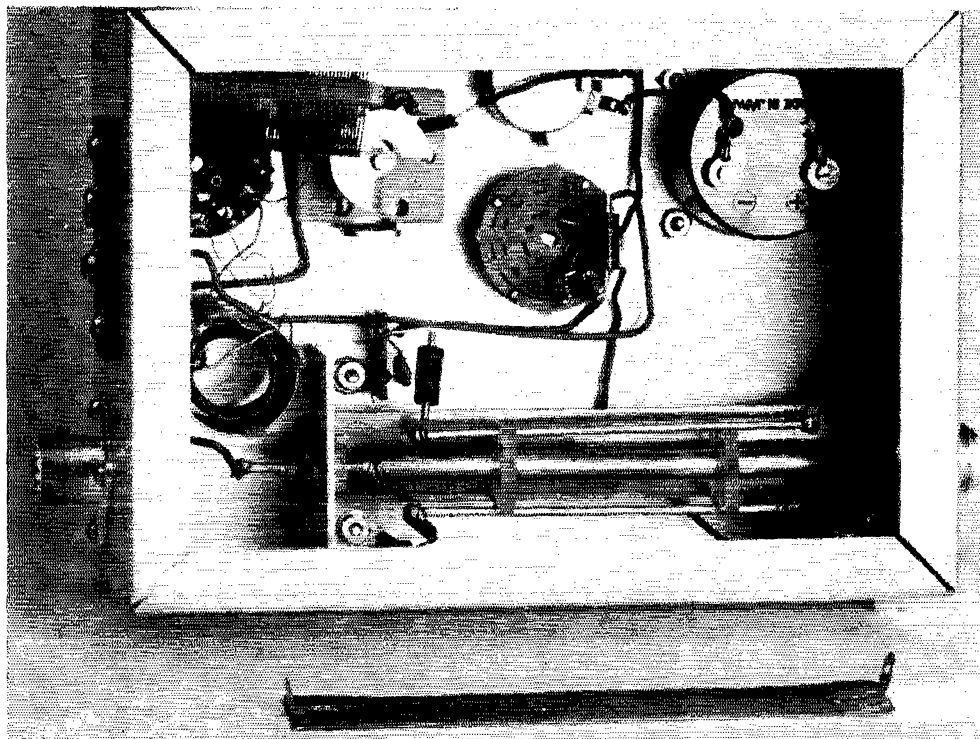
To use the Monimatch, the instrument is inserted in the coax line from the rig to the antenna or transmatch. The switch  $S_2$  is first set for the meter to read forward power. With the transmitter on, adjust  $R_3$  for a full-scale meter reading and then set  $S_2$  to the "reflected" position. Adjust the transmatch, or matching device, at the antenna, for a zero reading in the reflected position. After making the adjustments that give you zero reflected reading vs. full-scale forward, you can switch back to the band-checking setup and

leave the instrument at this setting. This not only shows you which band you are actually on but also serves as a visual output indicator, letting you know that power is actually coming out of the rig and going to the antenna.

### Construction

The instrument is built inside a  $3 \times 5 \times 7$ -inch aluminum chassis. Study the inside-view photograph before starting construction. The Monimatch components are mounted along one side of the chassis. A piece of  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch o.d. copper tubing,  $4\frac{5}{8}$  inches long, is used as the inner-conductor section of the Monimatch. This length of tubing is mounted between a coax fitting at one end of the chassis and a feed-through insulator (National type TPB) which is mounted on an aluminum bracket. The bracket is 2 inches long and  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches high, and is mounted 5 inches from one end of the chassis. Two spacers, made from bakelite or polystyrene, are used to hold the pickup wires at the correct spacing with respect to the inner conductor. Details for making the spacers are shown in Fig. 2. The pickup wires are solid No. 14 and are  $3\frac{3}{8}$  inches long. Two strips of copper,  $\frac{5}{8}$  inch wide and  $4\frac{7}{8}$  inches long, are used for the outer conductors. To mount them in place, solder a soldering lug at each end of each strip, allowing the end of the lug having the screw hole to project beyond the end of the strip. Bend this part of the lug at right angles to the strip. The strips can then be held in place with screws and nuts.

Be sure to use carbon or composition type resistors for  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ . If you use 50-ohm coax in



This view shows the "innards" of the unit. At the left center are  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ . Above them, at right angles, is  $L_3$ , which is mounted over  $S_1$  and  $C_1$ . To the right are grouped  $S_2$ ,  $R_3$ , and  $M_1$ . The Monimatch is shown along the lower edge of the chassis, with one of the copper strips removed to provide a better look at how its parts are arranged.

your station, then the resistors should be 150 ohms,  $\frac{1}{2}$  watt. Use 100 ohms,  $\frac{1}{2}$  watt, for 70-ohm coax. Keep the leads from the resistors and the germanium diodes as short as possible. In fact, it is a good idea to mount the resistors and diodes on the pickup wires before mounting the wires in place. When soldering the diodes and resistors, hold the leads on the components with a pair of long-nose pliers. This will prevent excessive heat from the iron reaching the body of the component and ruining it. Once the pickup wires are mounted in the spacers, a drop of Duco cement can be placed on the wires at the spacers

to keep the leads secure.

R.f. pickup for the wavemeter is obtained from a short length of wire which is installed between the end of the feed-through insulator coming from the Monimatch and the coax fitting on the end of chassis.  $L_2$  is mounted near this pickup lead, as shown in the photograph.  $L_3$  is mounted on the opposite side of the chassis. In order to get at the tap points on the coils, the adjacent turns on the coils can be bent in toward the axis of the coil. Make sure when you solder the taps that you don't splash any solder on the coils as this will short out turns and change the tuning range of the circuit.

The link,  $L_1$ , consists of three turns of No. 20 insulated wire tucked inside the top of  $L_2$ . The exact placement inside  $L_2$  is not critical.

#### Checking the Unit Out

If you have followed the details on making and tapping the coils, you shouldn't have any trouble checking the wavemeter performance on each band. Feed an 80-meter signal from your rig through the instrument, set  $S_1$  to the 80-meter position (all of  $L_2$  and  $L_3$  in the circuit), set  $S_2$  to the wavemeter position, and tune  $C_1$  for a meter reading. You may have to increase or decrease the sensitivity of  $M_1$  by adjusting  $R_3$ . Follow the same procedure for checking out the other bands. If you have access to a grid-dip meter, you can couple the grid-dip meter to  $L_2$

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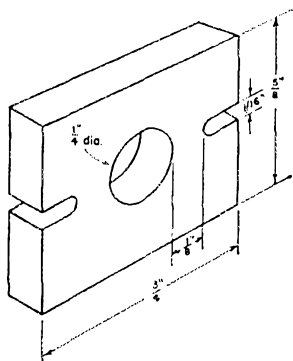


Fig. 2—This drawing shows the dimensions for the insulating spacers used in the Monimatch.

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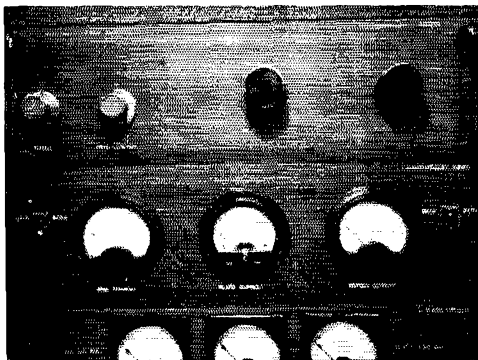
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When you reach a kilowatt input, the only legal way to get more signal on the air is to improve the performance of your final amplifier. Until very recently, there has been plenty of room for improvement in amplifiers intended for 144-Mc. service. This article follows recent *QST* design information closely, and includes some simple and effective ideas for achieving maximum efficiency. Of interest to those who like to keep costs low is the provision for use of 4X150As as well as 4X250Bs.

## Top Efficiency at 144 Mc. With 4X250Bs



Front view of the amplifier and its meter panel, mounted in a rack. Provision is made for reading grid and screen currents in either tube, as shown in Fig. 3.

### *Design and Adjustment Ideas for Optimum V.H.F. Amplifier Performance*

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THE high-efficiency 2-meter kilowatt amplifier built by WIDXE and described in February, 1960, *QST*,<sup>1</sup> makes a fine amplifier if one can afford the pair of 4CX300As used. The writer had a pair of 4X250Bs on hand and decided to adapt the amplifier to use them. It has also been used with 4X150As, but more about that later.

As can be seen from the pictures and diagrams, the amplifier draws heavily from the 4CX300A amplifier. It is assumed that the reader has the original article on hand, and where construction details are similar to the WIDXE amplifier they will not be repeated here.

#### **Construction**

In external dimensions the 4X250B amplifier duplicates its predecessor. The plate lines are 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch-diameter brass tubing 9 inches long, slotted on the anode end, and held in place with stainless-steel hose clamps. (This size tubing slips over the anode, instead of butting against it.) The shorting bar was made from  $\frac{3}{8}$ -inch brass stock, instead of  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch, because it happened to be available. Otherwise, it is cut in a manner similar to that shown in Fig. 3 of Tilton's article. The center of the shorting bar is supported on a 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch long standoff insulator made of  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch-diameter Teflon rod. The r.f. choke, RFC<sub>6</sub>, is supported on the high-voltage-lead end by a 1-inch length of  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch Teflon rod. A short length of coax was used for the high-voltage lead, but any well-insulated wire may be used if the amplifier is properly balanced. The high-voltage lead is bypassed by C<sub>8</sub> where it leaves the chassis.

The plate tank circuit is tuned by a parallel disk capacitor, C<sub>6</sub>, made of two 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch-diameter brass disks. The shafts are  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch brass rod with a  $\frac{1}{4}$ -20 thread. The center hole of each disk is threaded, and the disk is held in place on the rod with a  $\frac{1}{4}$ -20 brass nut soldered to the rod and the back of the disk. The rods run through threaded holes 2 $\frac{3}{8}$  inches from the plate end of the plate line. Fiber rod is used to extend the capacitor rods to the outside of the chassis. The output link is constructed as shown in the *QST* article.

To provide for rapid and accurate adjustment of the final plate circuit, a 2-inch-diameter brass disk (constructed in the same manner as the tuning-capacitor disks) was mounted on the rear chassis wall opposite the anode of one of the 4X250Bs. It is supported by a  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch-thick brass plate with a hole threaded to accept the shaft of the disk. If it is necessary to add capacity to the front anode, a similar capacitor may be mounted on the front chassis wall, or a copper sheet may be mounted adjacent to the line and the disk on the rear of the chassis used for final adjustment.

The input capacitance of the 4X250Bs is roughly half that of the 4CX300As. This and the different socket configuration require a somewhat different grid circuit from that used in the 4CX300A amplifier.

The grid tank circuit is made of 12-gauge sheet copper cut as shown in Fig. 2A. Two pieces are required. The edges are polished with a file and then bent as shown in Fig. 2B, remembering that one side must be bent the opposite of the other. To simplify initial adjustment, a trick was borrowed from W9IC:<sup>2</sup> a slot to pass a 4-40

<sup>2</sup> Maer, "The Perseids Powerhouse," *QST*, Oct., 1959, p. 32.

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<sup>1</sup> Tilton, "A High-Efficiency 2-Meter Kilowatt," *QST*, Feb., 1960, p. 30.

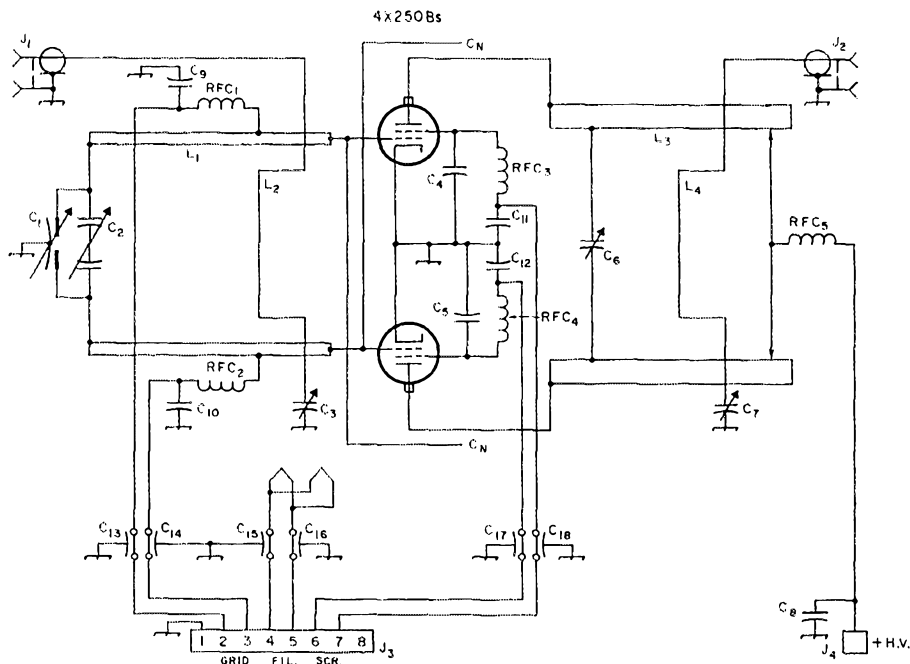


Fig. 1—Schematic diagram of the W6MOX high-powered 144-Mc. amplifier.

- $C_1$ —5- $\mu\text{mf.}$  miniature differential capacitor (Johnson 160-303 or 6MA11).
- $C_2$ —50- $\mu\text{mf.}$  per-section split-stator variable (Hammarlund HFD-50).
- $C_3, C_7$ —50- $\mu\text{mf.}$  variable, 0.03-inch spacing (Hammarlund HFA-50-B)
- $C_4, C_5$ —Screen bypasses built into tube sockets (Eimac SK-610).
- $C_6$ —Variable disk capacitor; see text.
- $C_N$ —500- $\mu\text{mf.}$  20,000 volts (Centralab TV 207).
- $C_9$ — $C_{12}$  inc.—500- $\mu\text{mf.}$  silver button standoff capacitors (Centralab ZA-501).

- $C_{13}$ — $C_{18}$  inc.—500- $\mu\text{mf.}$  feed-through bypass. (Centralab FT-500).
- $C_N$ —Neutralizing wires; see text and photographs.
- $J_1$ —Coaxial receptacle, type BNC (UG-290 A/U).
- $J_2$ —Coaxial receptacle, type N (UG-58 A/U).
- $L_1$ —Grid lines; see Fig. 2 and the text.
- $L_2$ —Grid coupling loop; see text and photographs.
- $L_3, L_4$ —Plate line and coupling loop; see photographs, text and February, 1960, QST.
- $J_3$ —Low-voltage power connector, male (Amphenol 86-CP8).
- $J_4$ —High-voltage power connector (Millen 37001).
- RFC1-RFC5 inc.—1.8- $\mu\text{h.}$  r.f. choke (Ohmite Z-144).

screw is cut in each grid line, and solder lugs held underneath the line by these screws make the connections to RFC<sub>1</sub> and RFC<sub>2</sub>.

The grid circuit is tuned by means of C<sub>2</sub>, which has its rotor ungrounded. The capacitor is supported by two 6-32 nylon screws extending through the chassis. Small Teflon washers insulate the rotor mounting lugs from the chassis. Metal screws and fiber shoulder washers could be used, but if this is done be sure to cover the exposed screw heads to prevent your hand from coming into contact with them. If you are tempted to ground the rotor of C<sub>2</sub>, don't! Grounding can produce multiple resonances in the grid circuit very near the 2-meter band, making it impossible to stabilize the amplifier. The drive to the two tubes is balanced by means of the differential capacitor C<sub>1</sub>, the rotor of which is grounded in the normal manner.

Driving power is fed to the grid circuit by means of J<sub>2</sub>. The link is supported on two 2½-inch lengths of ½-inch Teflon rod. It is made of No. 12 wire, in a U shape 1½ inches long and 1¼ inches wide, and is located underneath the grid

lines. In order to keep lead inductance to a minimum, ⅜-inch-wide copper strap is used to connect the link to J<sub>1</sub> and C<sub>3</sub>.

All wiring, other than r.f., is made with shielded wire. The heater and screen wiring should be done before the partition is permanently mounted in the chassis. The bottom ends of RFC<sub>1</sub> and RFC<sub>2</sub> are supported by silver button bypasses, as shown in the close-up view of the grid compartment.

A small amount of crossover neutralization is employed. Insulated leads are brought to small feed-through insulators from the grids of the tubes. The total lead length on the plate side of the partition is 1½ inches. In order to completely stabilize the amplifier, it was necessary to shield the screen rings of the 4X250Bs from the neutralizing leads.<sup>2</sup> This is done with a piece of flashing copper 1 inch wide and 6 inches long, bent as shown in the photographs, and held in place on the partition by means of four solder lugs.

The cover plate for the amplifier is a standard chassis bottom plate. To facilitate the initial ad-

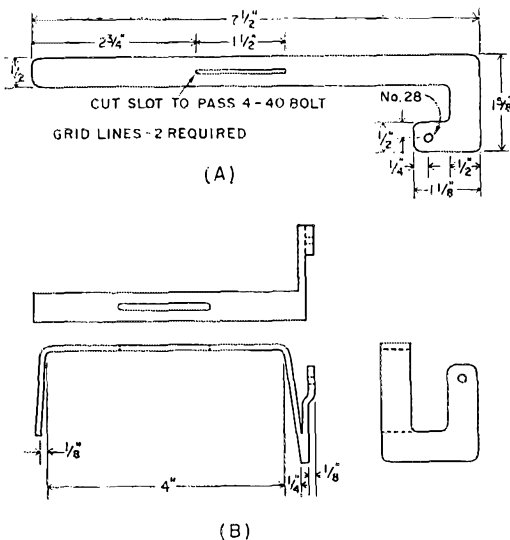


Fig. 2—Details of the sheet-copper grid circuit used in the 4X250B amplifier. The piece is shown before bending (A), and in its final form (B).

justment, 1-inch holes were punched over the center of the grid line, over the neutralizing leads, and over the output link. After final adjustment, these holes may be plugged with standard snap-type hole plugs.

Forced air is brought to the amplifier through a length of air hose, via the air input seen on the left side of the rear of the amplifier. The opening was covered with copper window screen. Air hose is available at most auto-supply houses. The octal plug carrying the heater, screen and grid voltages is mounted in the cover of a  $2\frac{3}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$  inch box (Bud CU 3000A). The box is held to the chassis by the six feed-through capacitors.

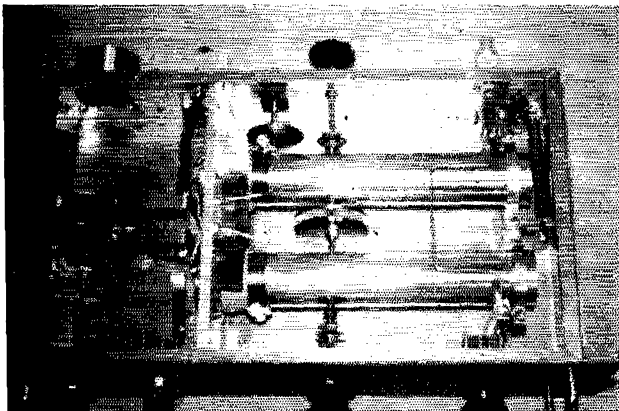
The wiring of the meter panel is shown in Fig. 3. Shorting (make-before-break) type switches must be used for  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ , to prevent opening up the grid bias or screen-supply leads if the switches are operated while the transmitter is on the air. Resistors  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  and  $R_3$ ,  $R_4$  should match the internal resistance of the grid and screen me-

ters respectively. The writer used 100-ma. meters whose internal resistance was only three ohms, and so omitted the resistors. Note that the purpose of the resistors is to maintain essentially constant resistance in the meter leads, not to serve as meter shunts.

### Adjustment

The best of amplifiers is useless unless it is properly and carefully adjusted, a fact that is particularly true in the v.h.f. region. The first step is to balance the plate tank. Lightly couple a grid-dip meter to the plate circuit, and resonate the plate tank with  $C_6$ . If the plate circuit is balanced, placing a short between the edge of the chassis and the exact physical center of the shorting bar will not change the reading of the g.d.o. meter. This is shown, with a screwdriver as the short, in one of the photographs. If the reading changes, move the screwdriver along the shorting bar to determine the position of least effect, which is the electrical center of the tank. The balancing capacitor on the rear of the chassis should be adjusted to bring the electrical center of the tank circuit to coincide with the mechanical center, retuning  $C_6$  as necessary. Filing a small notch in the lip of the chassis exactly opposite the mechanical center of the shorting bar to hold the shaft of the screwdriver will greatly improve the accuracy of the adjustments. To check the balance, scribe a line  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch either side of the mechanical center of the shorting bar. If the plate tank is balanced, equal deflections should be observed on the g.d.o. meter when the screwdriver is placed on either line, while no deflection should be observed if it is placed on exact center.

Although the shorting bar was bypassed in the original amplifier, the writer found that higher efficiency was possible without the plate-circuit bypass. Two factors may contribute to this. First, accurate balancing becomes nearly impossible with the shorting bar bypassed, as the mechanical center of the shorting bar is forced to be at nearly ground potential by the capacitor. This condition of "forced balance" does not guarantee that both halves of the plate tank are identical electrically. Second, in v.h.f. amplifiers such as this one, a second tuned circuit very near the operating

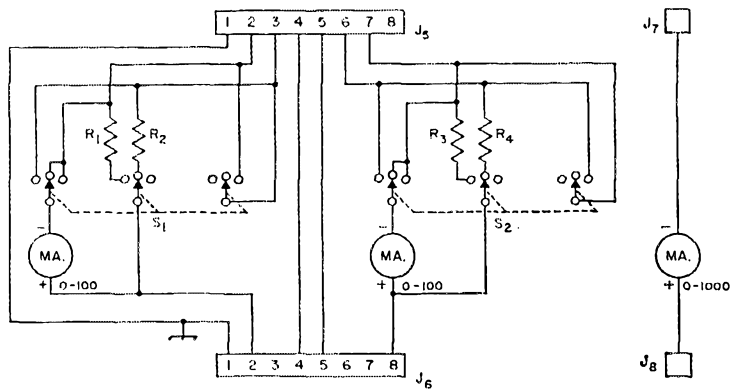


Top view of the amplifier, showing construction details of grid and plate compartments of the amplifier.



Fig. 3—Schematic diagram of the meter panel and its associated switching circuits.

- $J_5$ —Low-voltage power connector, female (Amphenol 78-S8).
- $J_6$ —Low-voltage power connector, male (Amphenol 86-CP8).
- $J_7, J_8$ —High-voltage power connector (Millen 37001).
- $R_1$ - $R_4$  inc.—See text.
- $S_1, S_2$ —3-section, 3-position progressively-shorting switch.



frequency may be produced by the addition of a plate bypass capacitor, allowing currents to flow along the plate lines, through the bypass capacitor, and down the chassis to the cathodes of the tubes. The nearer to the operating frequency these secondary resonances are, the more power must be robbed from the plate circuit to maintain the secondary current. If the amplifier is properly adjusted without the bypass capacitor, neither forced balance nor secondary resonances can exist.

After reading the above discussion, you may be wondering if your push-pull amplifier is properly balanced. As a quick check, remove the plate-circuit bypass capacitor and fire up the rig. If the plate circuit r.f. choke goes up in a cloud of smoke, you have some work to do!

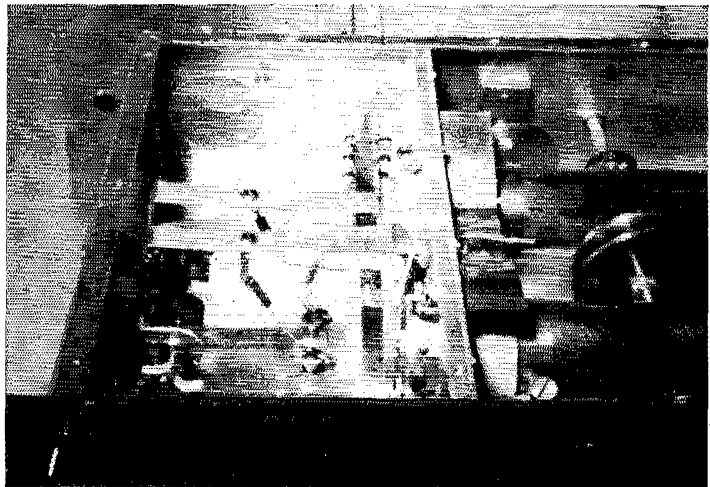
The rest of the adjustments should be made with the top cover in place. Couple the g.d.o. to the grid circuit through a one-turn link connected to  $J_1$ . Set  $C_1$  for balanced capacitance to ground. Resonate the grid tank with  $C_2$  and note the reading on the g.d.o. meter. Run a pencil through one of the holes in the cover and move its lead along the grid line until a point is found which causes minimum change in the g.d.o. meter. Remove the cover and move the 4-40 bolts along the slots to the point determined above. Replace the top

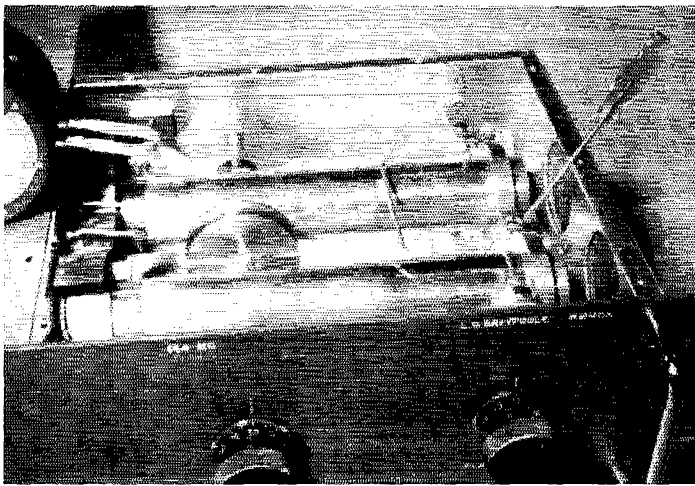
cover and repeat the adjustment. This check must be made with the top cover in place, as the cover contributes significant capacitance to the grid incs.

Now apply heater voltage and grid bias for Class C operation. Do not apply screen or plate voltages. Apply grid drive to the amplifier through  $J_1$ , tune the grid circuit to resonance, and balance the drive by means of  $C_1$ . With about 20 ma. grid current per tube, adjust the position of the neutralizing wires for *minimum* r.f. in the plate circuit, while adjusting  $C_6$  and  $C_7$  for *maximum* output. A very sensitive indicator of r.f. is needed for this test. A diode and a v.t.v.m. on the output link will make a good detector. During the neutralizing procedure, the d.c. connections for plate and screen voltages must be open to prevent the flow of current. This current is derived from diode rectification within the tubes, allowing the tube to pass a small amount of r.f. energy. Under this condition, the adjustment of the neutralizing wires for minimum r.f. in the plate circuit will not give perfect neutralization.

The adjustment of the amplifier is now complete. It would be wise, however, to go through the entire sequence of adjustments again. It will be found that the second try at the adjustments will progress rather quickly.

Details of grid lines. They are cut from 12-gauge copper and bent to the shape shown in Fig. 2. Note the location of the button bypasses for the grid-line r.f. chokes, and the slots in the line for adjustment of the points of connection of the chokes.





View of the amplifier plate circuit showing the location of the grid-dip meter during the balancing operation. The screwdriver shaft is resting in a notch filed in the lip of the chassis directly opposite the exact mechanical center of the shorting bar. It provides a convenient means of shorting the plate line to ground to check electrical balance.

### Results

The procedure set forth above has resulted in an amplifier which is beautifully stable in operation in both Class C and linear service. In Class-C amplifier service, with 4X250Bs in the sockets, maximum output and minimum plate current occur at the same setting of the plate tuning capacitor, a situation not often found in v.h.f. amplifiers. No significant change in grid current can be seen as the plate circuit is tuned through resonance. In Class-C service, with 2000 volts on the plates and 500 milliamperes of plate current, the grid current is 20 milliamperes per tube and the screen current is 10 milliamperes per tube.

The writer has used 4X150As in this amplifier, and found them to be nearly the equal of 4X250Bs in Class-C service. Using a pair of 4X150As, the amplifier was run at 1-kw. input for one hour, meteor style (30 seconds of high-speed c.w., 30 seconds off). The tubes seemed to take it OK, but their life might be shortened significantly by this treatment. The higher the efficiency the amplifier has, the safer it is to use the 4X150As, since any power not put out into the transmission line must be dissipated in the plates of the tubes and the associated tank circuit. A plate dissipation of 150 watts per tube is

permissible with 4X150As, so a full kilowatt input should be safe if adequate cooling is provided.

Using 4X250Bs in Class-C service, 75 percent efficiency was obtained without silver plating the r.f. circuitry. Silver-plating resulted in an observable improvement. At 1 kw. input, the substantial additional output that resulted from silver-plating could not be obtained in any other manner.

For linear-amplifier service, the primary limitation is the plate dissipation of the tubes. Thus, if one is primarily interested in linear operation, maximum results will be obtained with 4CX300As. Successively lower power must be run with 4X250Bs or 4X150As. The previously published works on linear amplifiers are recommended reading if you plan to run this amplifier in linear service.<sup>3</sup>

The writer wishes to acknowledge the suggestions and advice given by W7LHL, W0IC, W0AZT, W0IUF and George R. Sugar. **QST**

<sup>3</sup> Tilton, "Linear Amplifiers for the V.H.F. Man," *QST*, Dec., 1956, p. 28.

Grammer, Technical Topics, "Linear Amplifiers for A.M.," *QST*, Feb., 1956, p. 39.

Southworth, "Using the 4X250B on 144, 220 and 432 Mc.," *QST*, Feb., 1957, p. 31.

## Strays

The Air Force MARS Eastern Technical Net, meeting Sundays at 1900 GMT on 3295, 7540, and 15,715 kc., has issued the following December schedule.

- Dec. 3 — To be announced later.
- Dec. 10 — Illumination at Low Levels
- Dec. 17 — The Voltage-Tunable Magnetron for Microwave Applications.
- Dec. 24 and 31 — No net.

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The Board of Commissioners of Cuyahoga County (in the Cleveland, Ohio, area) passed a

resolution designating the week of October 8-14 as Amateur Radio Week in Cuyahoga County. This coincided neatly with the ARRL Great Lakes Division Convention, held in Cleveland on October 13 and 14. The County Commissioners cited radio amateurs for their many technical contributions and public service.

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Have you written your senators about Senate Bill 2361? See pages 9 and 73, October *QST*, for further information.

You won't find a word here about holes, barriers,  $h_{FE}$  or  $I_{CER}$ . This is a how-to-make-it article with diagrams and essential operating information on several simple transistor circuits of practical everyday use to any amateur. All are in regular service at W4GEB.

## Practical Ham-Shack Transistor Application

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IN VIEW of the great strides made in the transistor field within the last few years, it is surprising that their practical application in the ham shack has not been more widespread. Perhaps some of the rumors often bandied about regarding high noise and instability have caused most amateurs to shy away from them. That at least some of these stories are nothing more than old wives' tales has been adequately demonstrated by W2TGP. His article<sup>1</sup> in an earlier issue of *QST* describes the surprising performance that may be expected from even a rather complicated device such as an all-transistor communications receiver.

For the past four years, the author has been experimenting with various transistor applications, from the simple to the not-so-simple, and is convinced beyond all doubt that these tiny gadgets are here to stay. In fact, if it were not for the danger of arousing skepticism, the phrase, "or why use tubes?" might have been added to the title of this article. Admittedly, in their early stages of development, transistors often proved to be quite noisy and unstable and far from uniform as to other characteristics. However, the ones that are available today at moderate prices are infinitely more reliable and can be made to do surprisingly numerous jobs with circuitry much less complicated than that associated with tubes. And it isn't necessary to have a close acquaintance with the physics involved in transistor theory to obtain good results. The author is far from an expert on solid-state devices. However, by simply referring to the many articles that have appeared on the subject and to literature available from transistor manufacturers, I have been able to put some of this information to work with most satisfactory results. I can assure you that most of the uncomplimentary stories that you may have heard are either exaggerations or are founded, in truth, on improper treatment, or failure to consider some of the transistor's peculiar features, rather than on actual vagaries of the transistors themselves.

The material that follows will describe several

simple applications of the transistor, but ones that will be found highly useful in the ham station. All have been built and tested by the author and are now in regular service at W4GEB. No originality is claimed. It is readily admitted that most of what follows has been borrowed or stolen from published literature which so far, I fear, has been largely left unread by the average amateur.

### Class A Audio Amplifiers

Fig. 1 is a circuit diagram of a Class A audio amplifier in present use as a preamplifier for a dynamic microphone. Ones like it are described in many places. It has sufficient gain to raise the level of a very low-output dynamic mike so that it will drive the usual crystal-microphone input circuit. At the same time, it transforms an impedance of less than 200 ohms up to a value of several thousand ohms suitable for feeding directly into a high-impedance input circuit. In the amplifier I built, the transistor is a 2N107 p-n-p unit costing less than a dollar. No transformers that might pick up hum are needed. However, all components should be well shielded against r.f. pickup from the transmitter.

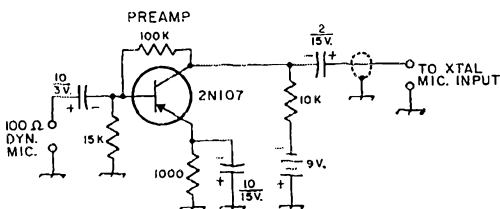


Fig. 1—Preamplifier circuit. Capacitances are in  $\mu\text{f}$ .; resistances are in ohms. Resistors are  $\frac{1}{4}$  watt. Capacitors are electrolytic.

Several identical stages may be cascaded to comprise a speech amplifier. More than three stages should not be necessary in practical ham use. Surplus transistors, currently selling for 25 cents or so, should be perfectly satisfactory in this application. If an n-p-n transistor is substituted, merely reverse the battery polarity.

### Class B Audio Amplifiers

Fig. 2 shows the circuit of a Class B audio amplifier that I used in a homemade 7-transistor

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<sup>1</sup> Priebe, "All-Transistor Communications Receiver," *QST*, February, 1959.

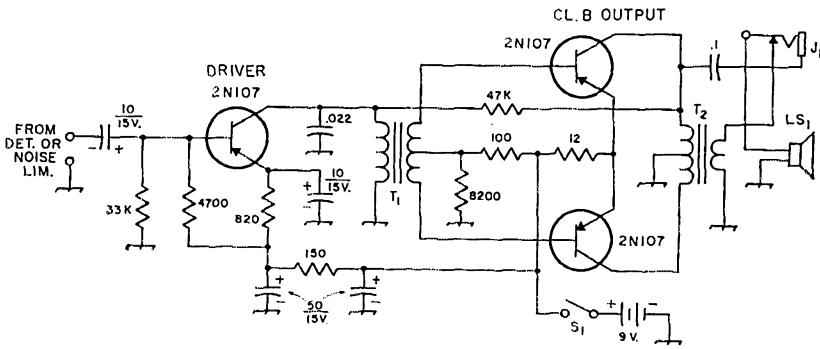


Fig. 2—Class B audio output amplifier with driver. Capacitances are in  $\mu\text{f.}$ ; resistances are in ohms. Resistors are  $\frac{1}{4}$  watt. Capacitors marked with polarity are electrolytic.

J<sub>1</sub>—Closed-circuit jack for headphones.

LS<sub>1</sub>—Loudspeaker.

S<sub>1</sub>—S.p.s.t. toggle switch.

T<sub>1</sub>—Transistor Class B driver transformer (Triad T-41X or similar).

T<sub>2</sub>—Transistor Class B output-to-voice-coil transformer (Triad TY-47X or similar).

broadcast receiver. I incorporated a duplicate in my 14-transistor double-conversion ham-band superhet which is similar to the one described by Priebe. This output stage delivers ample power (about 80 to 100 milliwatts) to make listening uncomfortable in a room of moderate size. Only a single driver stage is needed between the detector and the Class B stage. The driver circuit is similar to Fig. 1, except that a Class B input transformer is substituted for the 10K collector load resistor. Again, 2N107s are used and any similar type should work equally well. The input and output transformers cost 79 cents each and are listed in several mail-order catalogs.

The driver draws about  $\frac{1}{2}$  ma. and the Class B stage idles at about 2 ma. with a 9-volt supply. At full output, the output-stage collector current kicks up to 15 or 20 ma. Both stages should work satisfactorily on anything from 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 12 volts.

### Detectors

Several different detector circuits are being used in broadcast receivers. The circuit of Fig. 3 is similar to some of these and is described in *A Handbook of Selected Semiconductor Circuits*, NObsr 73231, available from the Government

Printing Office, Washington, D.C., for \$2.75. This handbook, incidentally, is a good source of information on many practical transistor circuits.

This detector is particularly handy from the amateur point of view. It supplies about 10 db. of audio gain after detection and, at the same time, can furnish a.v.c. voltage without the necessity for adding d.c. amplifiers. The modification shown in Fig. 4 is used in the author's

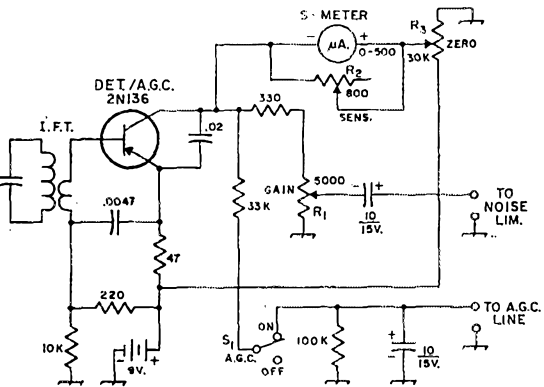


Fig. 4—I.f. detector circuit with S meter and automatic gain control. Capacitances are in  $\mu\text{f.}$ ; resistances are in ohms. Resistors are  $\frac{1}{4}$  watt. Capacitors marked with polarity are electrolytic.

R<sub>1</sub>—Audio-taper control.

R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>3</sub>—Linear-taper control.

S<sub>1</sub>—S.p.s.t. toggle switch.

amateur-band receiver where it does quadruple duty. It detects, amplifies audio, furnishes a.v.c., and also serves as an S-meter amplifier.

### I.F. Amplifiers

Transistor i.f. transformers are available at prices of less than a dollar. Although this makes them attractive, most of these less-expensive units do not provide sufficient selectivity for amateur-receiver purposes. If they are used,

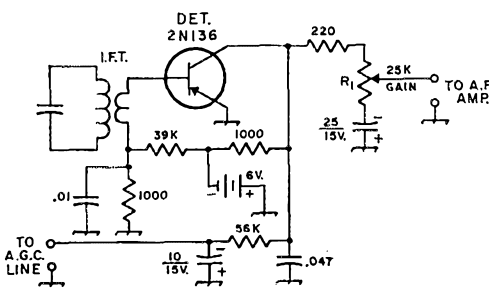


Fig. 3—I.f. detector circuit. Capacitances are in  $\mu\text{f.}$ ; resistances are in ohms. Resistors are  $\frac{1}{4}$  watt. Capacitors marked with polarity are electrolytic.

R<sub>1</sub> is an audio-taper control.

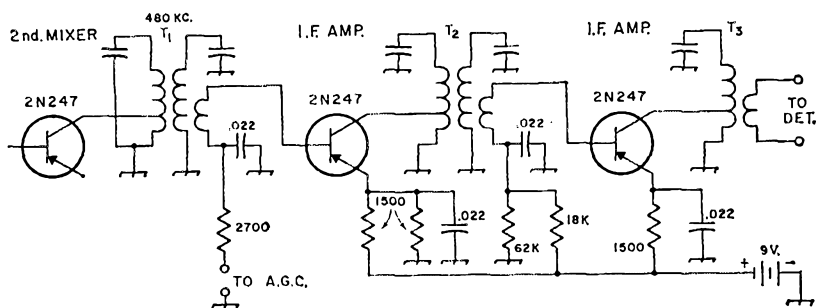


Fig. 5—Two-stage i.f. amplifier circuit. Capacitances are in  $\mu\text{f.}$ ; resistances are in ohms. Resistors are  $\frac{1}{4}$  watt. See text referring to  $T_1$ ,  $T_2$  and  $T_3$ .

additional selectivity may have to be provided by some sort of filter such as the one described by Priebe. To provide reasonable selectivity consistent with circuit simplicity and cost, the author used standard i.f. transformers modified in a manner similar to that described by WØMCN.<sup>2</sup> Approximately one third of the primary turns was unwound, and a tap was brought out at this point. The unwound turns were then rewound in scramble style. Rather than to use series tuning in the secondary, as suggested by WØMCN, I used parallel tuning and added a link output winding of 30 turns of No. 26 or No. 28 cotton-covered wire around the secondary. In the case of the transformers I used, this modification raised the minimum frequency to which the transformers would tune to about 480 kc., so I simply used this frequency in the i.f. amplifier. If a frequency of 455 kc. is a requirement (to match a standard filter, for instance) additional tuning capacitance may be used to lower the frequency.

Fig. 5 shows the circuit of the two-stage i.f. amplifier. Its selectivity is comparable to the average two-stage tube amplifier and its gain is about the same. In my receiver, additional selectivity is provided by the  $Q$  multiplier described later.

One important thing to remember about transistors in r.f. and i.f. amplifiers is that they load the circuits quite heavily and will impair selectivity unless the coupling to the tuned circuits is made quite loose. Loose coupling can be achieved by tapping the transistor output down on the transformer primaries, and using link-input coupling from the secondaries as described previously. This also serves to match impedances for maximum energy transfer. If selectivity, rather than gain, is the paramount interest, the primary may be tapped down lower and smaller output links may be used than required for maximum gain. This has been done in my station receiver.

If neutralization is to be avoided, the selection of a transistor may have to be restricted to certain types. For example, 2N247s usually do not require neutralization; neither do 2N170s. On the other hand, point-contact types may oscillate in

amplifier circuits unless they are neutralized. Neutralization is usually not difficult to achieve in a fixed-tuned amplifier, but there may be considerable difficulty with a stage covering a wide band of frequencies, such as a tuned r.f. amplifier.

### R.F. Amplifiers

All that has been said previously about i.f. amplifiers goes for r.f. amplifiers as well. However, in the case of r.f. amplifiers, there are additional factors to consider. Of primary importance is the ease with which transistors go into rectification. In a detector, this is just what is needed, of course, but in an r.f. amplifier, it can lead to frustration. In several previous attempts at building ham-band receivers, operation was plagued by spurious responses because of cross-modulation by strong signals, often well removed from the desired reception frequency. Additionally, image rejection was poor. A review of the literature indicated that the overloading by strong signals off frequency could best be avoided by concentrating on selectivity. Three general rules were evident. (1) Load the tuned circuits lightly. (2) Use as large a tank-circuit capacitance as practicable. (3) Keep the coil  $Q$  high. Although these measures involved some sacrifice in gain, they proved to be most effective in reducing spurious responses and cross-modulation, and the gain still appears to compare favorably with that of a manufactured receiver costing close to \$400 against which the transistor receiver was checked. It should be mentioned, however, that it is very difficult to operate a transistor front end in the presence of extremely strong local signals if a large antenna is used. As an example, with an 80-meter dipole on the receiver, severe cross-modulation products occur when local broadcast stations are on the air. Three of these are less than 2 miles (one only 5 blocks) from W4GEB. However, sufficient sensitivity for most purposes is obtained with a piece of wire 15 to 30 feet long as an antenna, and the overloading is eliminated. Perhaps a high-pass filter would permit the use of a larger antenna.

Fig. 6 shows the circuit of the r.f. amplifier used in my receiver. The simplicity of Priebe's band-switching circuitry was copied. However, to

<sup>2</sup> Heinen, "An Experimental All-Transistor Communications Receiver," *QST*, May, 1956.

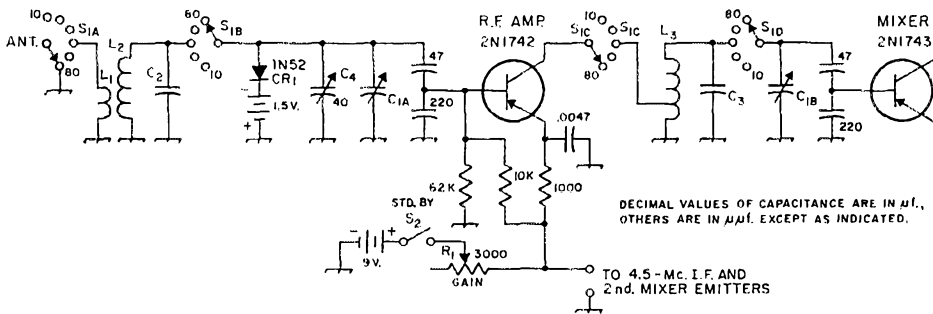


Fig. 6—Circuit of an r.f. amplifier. Resistances are in ohms. Resistors are ¼ watt. See article referenced in Footnote 1 for values not specified.

- C<sub>1</sub>—Tuning capacitor.
- C<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>3</sub>—Bandspread padder.
- C<sub>4</sub>—Antenna trimmer.
- CR1—Back-biased diode for front-end protection against transmitter signal.

- L<sub>1</sub>, L<sub>2</sub>, L<sub>3</sub>—Receiver tuning coils.
- R<sub>1</sub>—Linear-taper control.
- S<sub>1</sub>—Band switch. See article referenced in Footnote 1, and also text of this article referring to Fig. 7.
- S<sub>2</sub>—S.p.s.t. toggle switch.

reduce cross-modulation problems, the transistor inputs and outputs are tapped much farther down on the tuned circuits.

Two new transistor types were substituted for those used by W2TGP. These are Philco types 2N1742 (T1832) and 2N1743 (T1833). They are MADT types designed for v.h.f. and u.h.f. use and are described as having low noise characteristics. The manufacturer's literature indicates that these transistors should be neutralized. However, in this application they are tapped so far down on the tuned circuits that oscillation is impossible, although some regeneration may remain, contributing to the selectivity as well as the gain.

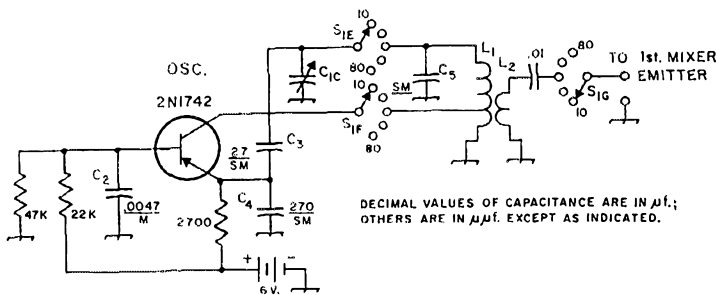
Many different gain-control circuits were tried. Most of them involved the adjustment of the base bias in one way or another. None of these was entirely satisfactory, and the one finally adopted harks back to the days of the 201A. The supply voltage on the r.f. stage as well as on two of the i.f. amplifiers is varied to control the gain. This may not be the scientific way of doing the job, but it works very smoothly and permits the application of a.v.c. without using a complicated swamping arrangement.

### R.F. Oscillators

From available literature, it appears that transistors are adaptable to any of the commonly-used tube oscillator circuits. There is one difference, however. In a tube oscillator circuit, the grid or input circuit usually operates at a much higher impedance level than does the plate or output circuit. In a transistor oscillator, the reverse prevails, and the base or input circuit operates at a much lower impedance level than the collector or output circuit. Except for this small difference, there is nothing the least strange about transistor oscillator circuits.

The well-known principle of high C for stability is even more important for transistor oscillators. Otherwise the circuit to be selected may depend upon the particular application. Personally, I've had the best results from the Colpitts configuration in circuits operating up to 50 Mc. One of the articles appearing in the government publication mentioned previously points out that the internal base-emitter capacitance of a transistor may be rather unstable. Since this capacitance is rather high (on the order of 100 μμf. for some types), the obvious treatment is to use a large external swamping capacitance in parallel. From this con-

Fig. 7—Receiver high-frequency oscillator circuit. Resistances are in ohms and resistors are ¼ watt.



- C<sub>1c</sub>—Oscillator tuning capacitor ganged to r.f. tuning capacitor in Fig. 6.
- C<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>3</sub>, C<sub>4</sub>—See text.
- C<sub>5</sub>—Bandspread padder. (See article referenced in Footnote 1 for appropriate value.)

- L<sub>1</sub>, L<sub>2</sub>—Oscillator tank and coupling coils. (See article referenced in Footnote 1 for appropriate values.)
- S<sub>1E</sub>, S<sub>1F</sub>, S<sub>1G</sub>—Part of S<sub>1</sub> in Fig. 6 (see text).

sideration, the Colpitts circuit is more readily adaptable than some of the others.

Fig. 7 shows the oscillator circuit used in the author's ham-band superhet.  $C_4$  is of prime importance in swamping out the base-emitter capacitance of the transistor. This capacitor should be a silver mica unit and should have as large a value as practicable. However, if the capacitance is made too large, the circuit may not oscillate.

The value of  $C_2$  is of almost equal importance. It should represent a virtual short circuit for r.f. and the capacitor should be of good quality.

The emitter is tapped down on the tuned circuit by means of the voltage divider  $C_3C_4$ . The step-down ratio  $C_3/C_4$  should be as large as possible while still permitting the circuit to oscillate reliably. The values shown are suitable for the approximate range of 3 to 30 Mc. and need not be changed when shifting bands. For lower frequencies, it may be necessary to increase the value of  $C_4$ , and higher frequencies may require a smaller value. Some v.h.f. applications may require the omission of  $C_4$  entirely, and the reduction of  $C_3$  to only a few  $\mu\mu\text{f}$ .

Tapping the collector down on the tank circuit is also important from the consideration of frequency stability, especially at the higher frequencies. Although this makes it necessary to provide one more band-switch section than used by Priebe, the improvement in stability makes the addition well worth while. In general, the tap should be placed as far down on the coil as possible while still maintaining reliable oscillation. The degree of tapping will depend to a certain extent upon the  $Q$  of the coil. In my own receiver, I found it possible to tap about two thirds down from the hot end on 21 Mc. At 3 Mc., however, the tap had to be placed near the top end of the coil to maintain oscillation.

All tank and bypass capacitors should be silver mica, and the fixed padding capacitances should be as large as possible consistent with the desired tuning range.

This particular arrangement has been found to be extremely stable under power-supply voltage changes. Reducing the voltage from 9 volts to 3 volts changes the frequency less than 1 kc. at 21 Mc. An increase from 9 to 12 volts causes about the same deviation. As a result, it has been found unnecessary to use any form of voltage regulation, even on 10 meters, and even when a Class B audio stage is operated from the same battery. (Actually the frequency change is less at 28 Mc. than at 21 Mc., because the h.f.o. on the former band operates at 12 Mc., the second harmonic being used for mixing.)

In the author's home-brew receiver, long-term frequency stability is excellent on all bands. It is best, of course, on the lower frequencies but, even on 10 meters, the h.f.o. drifts only a few cycles over periods of 15 minutes or longer. The drift is believed to be less than that of most s.s.b. stations, and is much, much less than that of the comparison manufactured receiver.

If good mechanical stability is built into a

transistor oscillator, physical shock will not cause detuning. Although the author does not make a practice of heating on the cabinet with his fist while receiving, it makes a good demonstration for visiting firemen to show that it can be done without losing "copy" on an s.s.b. station.

### Q Multiplier

Having covered some of the basic applications of transistors, it may be interesting to see in what other ways they may be put to use in the ham shack. As suggested earlier, receiver selectivity can be greatly improved by the use of a  $Q$  multiplier. Fig. 8 shows the circuit used at

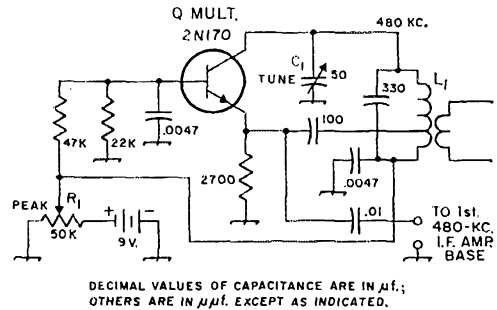


Fig. 8— $Q$ -multiplier circuit. Resistances are in ohms and resistors are  $\frac{1}{4}$  watt.

$C_1$ —50- $\mu\mu\text{f}$ . variable.

$L_1$ —See text.

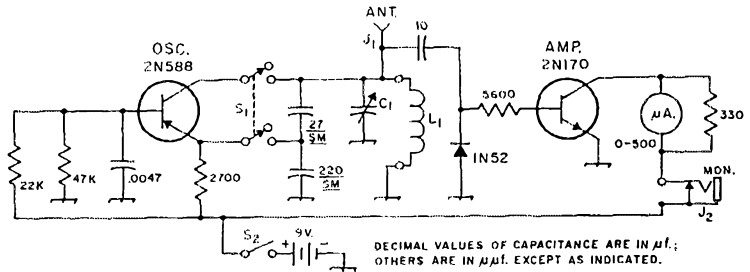
$R_1$ —Linear control.

W4GEB. The coil  $L_1$  is a miniature shielded transistor broadcast-oscillator transformer. The usual collector winding was not used, and the frequency range was lowered to match my i.f. of 480 kc. by a 330- $\mu\mu\text{f}$ . silver-mica capacitor. If this circuit is to be used to provide a notch in the pass band of the i.f. amplifier, rather loose coupling should be used between the  $Q$  multiplier and the i.f. transformer. The exact amount of coupling will have to be determined by experiment. On the other hand, if the multiplier is to be used for peaking the selectivity, tight coupling is required. The latter function was the one desired by the author. After much trial and tribulation in attempting to obtain smooth operation without severe reaction on the i.f.-transformer tuning, it was found that the desired objective could be reached by coupling the  $Q$ -multiplier transistor emitter to the first 480-kc. i.f.-stage transistor base through a 0.01- $\mu\text{f}$ . ceramic capacitor. With this arrangement, the selectivity of the receiver is greatly improved, adjustments of peaking and frequency are stable, and an S1 signal can be brought up to S9 before the multiplier goes into oscillation.

### Grid-Dip Oscillator

Another handy unit is the grid-dip oscillator described in the *ARRL Handbook*. The one constructed here works extremely well. The circuit, Fig. 9, was slightly modified in the oscillator portion by adding a lever-action wafer switch to disconnect the transistor from the tuned circuit.

Fig. 9—Combination grid-dip oscillator circuit. Resistances are in ohms and resistors are ¼ watt.



$C_1, L_1$ —See ARRL Handbook, measurements chapter.  
 $J_1$ —Pin jack.

$J_2$ —Closed-circuit headphone jack.  
 $S_1$ —D.p.d.t. lever-action switch.  
 $S_2$ —S.p.s.t. toggle switch.

With this addition, the unit serves the purposes of a g.d.o., phone monitor, c.w. monitor and field-strength meter.

### Conelrad Alarm

Several articles on self-powered c.w. monitors have been published and these suggested an idea for a Conelrad alarm. The circuit is shown in Fig. 10. In this case, instead of using a rectified signal from a tuned circuit to power an audio oscillator, the rectified voltage is applied to an audio oscillator so as to keep it from oscillating in the presence of a local broadcast signal. A simple audio amplifier is added to the audio oscillator to provide sufficient volume to operate a small speaker. As long as the broadcast station remains on the air, the monitor is silent, but if the station goes off the air, the oscillator operates and a tone is heard in the speaker. A 15-foot piece of wire is sufficient as an antenna at this location for operation from a 1-kw. broadcast station a half mile away. This unit draws only 1½ ma. from a 1½-volt penlite cell, so no battery switch was included.

### R-C Bridge

Fig. 11 shows the diagram of a resistance-capacitance bridge used with a transistor audio oscillator to measure unknown capacitances. It was calibrated using known values of capacitance across the "unknown" terminals. It is accurate enough for most purposes and covers the range of 10  $\mu\text{f.}$  to 20  $\mu\text{f.}$  Those who have boxes of un-

marked or questionably-coded surplus capacitors will find this unit a handy item to have around. In checking low-capacitance values, the oscillator frequency should be set at a rather high value — one or two kilocycles — by adjusting the values of capacitance (0.02  $\mu\text{f.}$ ) and resistance (12K).

### Frequency Marker

Fig. 12 is the circuit of a 200-ke. crystal (surplus) oscillator and 10-ke. multivibrator. It gives usable points up to 20 Mc. Low-frequency transistors (2N170s) were used. High-frequency transistors would probably extend the useful range. The range may also be extended to 30 or 50 Mc. by the addition of the tuned amplifier circuit shown to the right of the dotted lines. This has been done in breadboard fashion by the author, but has not yet been installed permanently. A surplus TV slug-tuned 252-ke. i.f.-transformer primary or secondary should be satisfactory for  $L_1$ .

### Transistor Checker

Fig. 13 is the diagram of a transistor checker that I found in the Spring, 1961 issue of *Radio-TV Experimenter*. It gives a pretty good indication of beta and a very good indication of leakage current. The beta value is obtained by multiplying the current reading of the milliammeter by the multiplying factor for which  $S_1$  is set. As an example, 0.2 (ma.)  $\times$  100 (multiplier switch in center multiplier position) = 20 (beta). Leakage current is read directly from the meter.

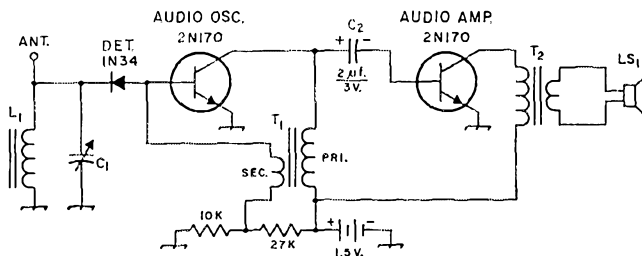


Fig. 10—Simple Conelrad alarm circuit. Resistances are in ohms and resistors are ¼ watt.

$C_1, L_1$ —Circuit tuning the broadcast band.  $L_1$  may be a "loopstick."  
 $C_2$ —2- $\mu\text{f.}$  electrolytic.  
 $LS_1$ —Loudspeaker.

$T_1$ —Transistor Class B driver transformer (Triad T-41X or similar).  
 $T_2$ —4000-ohms-to-voice-coil transistor output transformer.



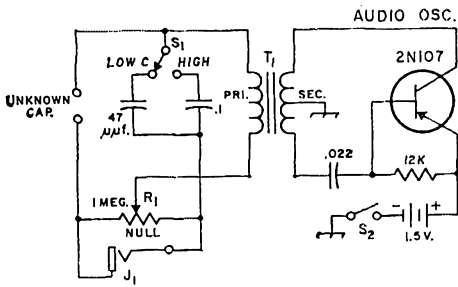


Fig. 11—Capacitance-checker circuit. Unless otherwise indicated, capacitances are in  $\mu\text{f}$ . Resistances are in ohms and resistors are  $\frac{1}{4}$  watt. Low-C range is 10  $\mu\text{f}$ . to 0.05  $\mu\text{f}$ .; high-C range is 0.05  $\mu\text{f}$ . to 20  $\mu\text{f}$ .

- J<sub>1</sub>—Open-circuit headphone jack.
- R<sub>1</sub>—Linear control.
- S<sub>1</sub>—S.p.d.t. rotary switch.
- S<sub>2</sub>—S.p.s.t. toggle switch.
- T<sub>1</sub>—Transistor Class B driver transformer (Triad T-41X or similar).

### Conclusions

Only a few of the possible applications of transistors have been covered here. Those who have not tried transistors are missing a good bet and a lot of fun. With a little practice, circuits like those described can be thrown together in a half hour or so. The author doubts that he will ever use tubes again for low-power applications. Transistors perform as well as tubes in these applications and sometimes much better and at considerably less cost. A 2N588, good up to better than 50 Mc., now costs \$1.45. A 2N247 (drift) costs around \$3.00, and it is good up to 30 or 50 Mc. in some applications. A 2N1832 costs less than \$3.00. They say it will work well as an oscillator to 1300 Mc. It does a great job as an r.f. amplifier at 30 Mc.

Transistors recommended as Class A amplifiers can be used effectively in Class B amplifiers and they can be purchased for less than a buck. They will fill a room with 100 mw. or so of audio. N-p-n and p-n-p audio types may be used interchangeably, but don't forget that this requires a reversal

of power-supply polarity. Failure to observe this will most surely lead to burned-out transistors.

In the various oscillators, and in r.f., i.f., or a.f. voltage amplifiers, the base-biasing voltage dividers are not at all critical. If the ratios are maintained within 10 to 20 per cent of those shown in the diagrams, no ill effects should occur. For example, in Figs. 7 and 8, the 47K/12K divider could be changed to 33K/12K or 100K/47K. Similarly, in Fig. 5, the 62K/18K divider could be 82K/18K or 82K/22K without incurring any really noticeable change in operation. The same goes for Fig. 1 where the 100K/15K divider could be changed to 100K/22K or 82K/12K. In Class A audio voltage amplifiers, where the base biasing voltage is obtained from a voltage divider, I have found that any divider ratio from 5/1 to 10/1 seems to work out OK. In oscillators, the ratio can be varied from 10/1 to 2/1. The point is that no one needs to rush out to get the exact values shown in the diagrams if he has something in the junk box that will hit anywhere near the

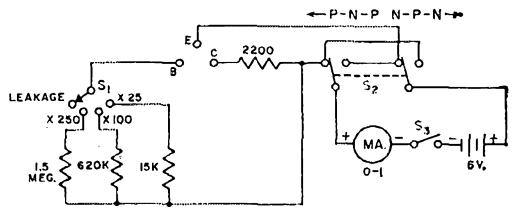


Fig. 13.—Circuit of the transistor checker. Resistances are in ohms and resistors are  $\frac{1}{4}$  watt. S<sub>1</sub> is a rotary switch. S<sub>2</sub> and S<sub>3</sub> are toggle switches.

ratios shown, since these will usually work. I would not, however, treat a Class A power amplifier (such as the driver for the Class B amplifier in Fig. 2) so contemptuously.

If this article has stimulated your interest in transistors, get acquainted by buying a few manufacturers' handbooks and reading *QST* and the *ARRL Handbook*. Hello transistors, good-bye tubes. Now, let's see — I wonder what the price of tunnel diodes may be!

**QST**

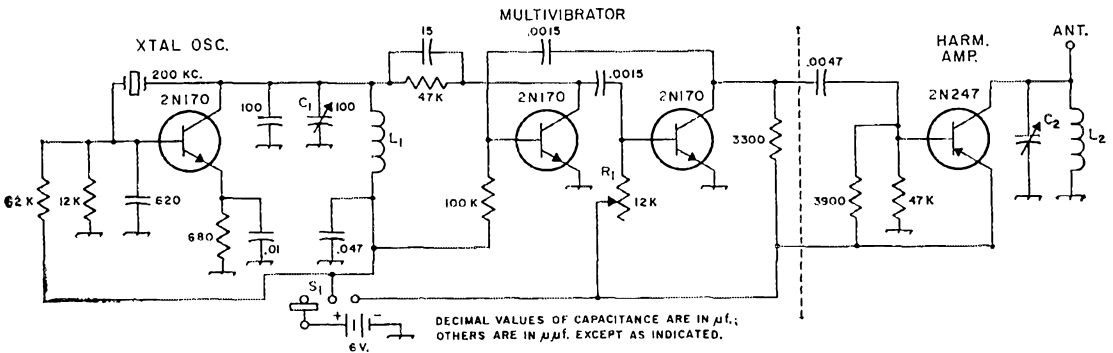
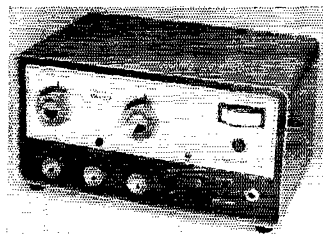


Fig. 12—Frequency-marker circuit. Resistances are in ohms and resistors are  $\frac{1}{4}$  watt.

- C<sub>1</sub>L<sub>1</sub>—Circuit tuning to 200 kc. (see text).
- C<sub>2</sub>L<sub>2</sub>—Circuit tuning to desired harmonic.
- R<sub>1</sub>—Linear control.
- S<sub>1</sub>—Single-pole three-position progressively-shortening rotary switch.

# • Recent Equipment —

## HT-40 Transmitter and HT-40K Kit



YEARS from now we may look back on this era as the blossom time of the kit business. Latest of the old-line equipment manufacturers to succumb is Hallcrafters, entering the field with a transmitter kit (HT-40K) and a receiver kit (SX-140K, described in an accompanying article) designed especially for the newer amateurs. If you don't like the smell of hot resin on a soldering iron, you can get the same models wired and tested.

The HT-40 transmitter has a frequency range of 3.5 to 54 Mc., c.w. or a.m. phone. It is a two-tube circuit using a 6CX8 oscillator-buffer and a 6DQ5 r.f. amplifier. The triode section of the 6CX8 is used as a modified Pierce crystal oscillator, but is disabled by a switch when an external v.f.o. is used. The pentode section is a buffer-multiplier tuned by a pi network. The newcomer constructing this kit will probably trust the factory labels on these coils, but the old-timer may have to convince himself that Hallcrafters did not mislabel the six- and ten-meter coils for the 6CX8 pentode stage. The final operates straight through on 80 through 10 meters, but doubles to six meters, so the six-meter coil is cut for 25-27 Mc. and is a bit longer than the 10-meter coil.

A block diagram of the transmitter is shown in Fig. 1. The 6DQ5, TV's gift to the amateur, runs 75 watts input on c.w. and 75 watts peak-envelope input on controlled-carrier a.m. phone. The output circuit is a standard pi network designed for an unbalanced low-impedance load. The 6DQ5 amplifier is stabilized by a fixed neutralizing circuit consisting of a lead from the plate circuit of the driver to a tie-strip connection

on top of the chassis adjacent to the 6DQ5 plate.

Tuning up the HT-40 is accomplished with the aid of a panel meter (0-5 ma.) which may be switched to read either grid current or relative r.f. output. In the r.f. output meter position, the meter reads a rectified sample of the actual output. There is no provision for measuring d.c. input to the final tube, so both the plate loading and plate tuning are adjusted for maximum r.f. reading. Hallcrafters uses an interesting scheme to overcome meter bounce: The meter is shunted with a 100- $\mu$ f. electrolytic capacitor which gives some extra damping to the meter movement.

The speech-amplifier section of the transmitter is handled by three resistance-coupled triode circuits in cascade (two sections of a 12AX7 and the medium- $\mu$  section of a 6DE7). The screen of the 6DQ5 final r.f. amplifier is modulated by the lower- $\mu$  half of the 6DE7 operating as a cathode follower. A neon lamp on the front panel has been wired into the modulator circuit in such a way that it will flash when the modulation percentage reaches about 80 per cent (see Fig. 2A).

On c.w., the oscillator runs continuously, while the buffer and final are keyed simultaneously in the cathodes. In an interesting innovation the 6DE7 modulator is converted into a series electronic voltage regulator to stabilize the voltage on the oscillator and the final amplifier screen. This circuit is shown in Fig. 2B. The panel neon lamp modulation indicator,  $I_1$ , is used as a voltage reference for the grid of the 6DE7 regulator tube while in the c.w. mode.

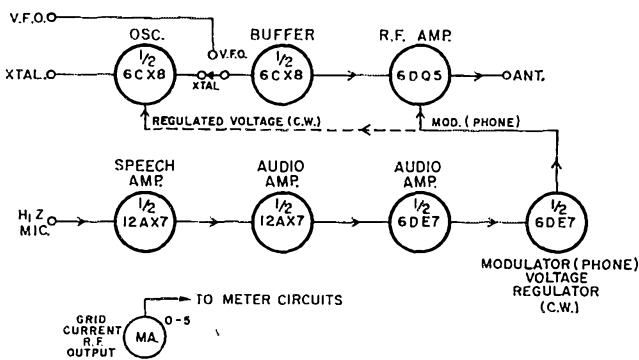
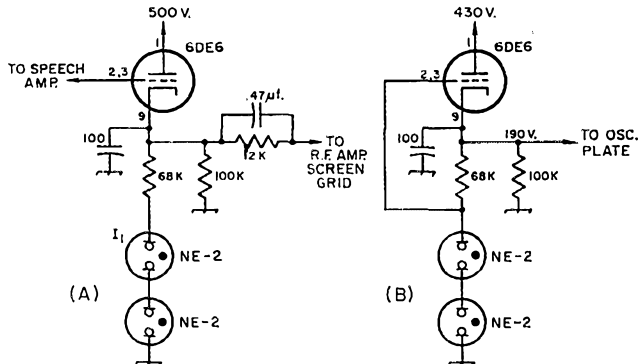


Fig. 1—Block diagram of the HT-40.

Fig. 2—The 6DE6 tube serves a dual purpose in the HT-40. In the phone mode (A), it operates as a cathode follower screen modulator. The neon lamp  $I_1$  is mounted on the front panel and serves as a modulation indicator. On c.w. (B), the 6DE6 operates as a series voltage regulator and supplies about 190 volts regulated to the crystal oscillator plate and final amplifier screen. In this condition, the neon lamps regulate the grid voltage of the 6DE6. Unless otherwise indicated, capacitances are in  $\mu\text{f.}$ , resistances are in ohms.

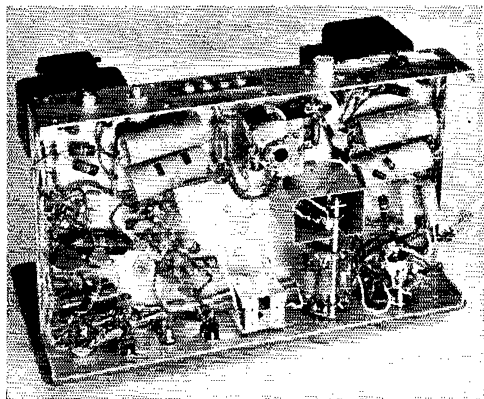


The power supply of the HT-40 generates little heat since it uses a pair of silicon diodes instead of a tube rectifier. The circuit is a full-wave voltage doubler followed by a capacitor-input filter using a 5-henry choke with two 40- $\mu\text{f.}$  electrolytics in series on each side. A line filter is incorporated in the unit to reduce the possibilities of interference to other electronic equipment. The power supply is not fused, but if you want fusing it is an easy matter to substitute a fused plug for the a.c. plug on the line cord.

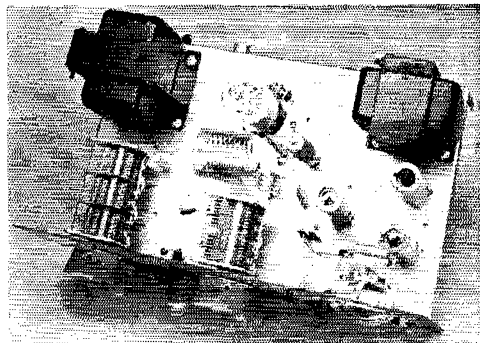
One of the attractive constructional features of the unit is the use of two wiring harnesses. Plenty of wire was provided in preparing the harnesses, so that they can be easily dressed against the chassis. In most cases,  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch could be snipped off the wire ends for maximum neatness. Pigtailed on the small parts can be left a bit longer than specified so that the components can be lined up horizontally and vertically for a more pleasing appearance and easier trouble shooting.

The wiring directions in the instruction manual are explicit. Anybody, however, green, who can read (and will take the trouble to read!) can put

this kit together; the instruction book even gives full instructions on how to solder. The transmitter also is available wired and tested, but why rob yourself of the fun and pay twenty dollars besides? The entire project took about 15 hours. It could probably be done much faster, but since the kit was wired in the workshop at WIAW, there were many interruptions from interested visitors.



Here's how the HT-40 looks from the bottom. At the right, on the panel side, is the function switch. To its left is the band-switch assembly, which includes the grid coils. The variable capacitor in the center is the drive control. The crystal-v.f.o. switch, crystal sockets, meter switch and key jack are to the left. The electrolytic capacitors and bleeder resistors in the power-supply occupy the upper right-hand section; the silicon rectifiers are draped over one of the filter capacitors. Rear-apron controls are, from left to right, mike connector, mike gain control, external switching terminals (for antenna relay control and external send-receive control), coax antenna connector, and the a.c. line cord.



Top view of the HT-40. The 6DQ5 r.f. amplifier is at the center rear, with the power transformer to the left and the filter choke to the right. Also visible is the pi network with the plate loading capacitor on the left and the plate tuning capacitor in the center. The oscillator and buffer tube, a 6CX8 triode-pentode, and the 12AX7 and 6DE7 dual triodes used in the speech section and modulator are to the right. Attached to the rear of the edgewise-mounting meter is a 100- $\mu\text{f.}$  electrolytic capacitor for improving the damping.

How about performance? On 80 through 15 meters, the HT-40's output was a little better than 50 watts. On ten meters the output fell off a bit, to about 40 watts, and on six meters, where the final amplifier is also being used as a doubler, the output was in the vicinity of 25 watts. These measurements were made with a calibrated wattmeter, since the output meter on the HT-40 gives relative readings and cannot be relied upon for exact values of output on each band. However, it can be used for rough output measurements provided a resistive load of 50 ohms is used. Each

of the five divisions on the scale represents approximately 10 watts.

Front panel operating controls of the HT-40 include a FUNCTION control, which has five positions and selects the transmitter's mode of operation, a six-position BAND SELECTOR switch, and a DRIVE control, which tunes the pi network between the buffer and final-amplifier stage. Function control positions are a.c. OFF, TUNE, STANDBY, A.M. and C.W. There is also a CRYSTAL-V.F.O. switch and an R.F. OUTPUT-GRID CURRENT switch for the metering circuits. The PLATE TUNING and PLATE LOADING controls are part of the amplifier's pi-network circuit. A screw-

#### HT-40 Transmitter and HT-40K Kit

Height:  $7\frac{3}{16}$  inches.

Width:  $13\frac{3}{8}$  inches.

Depth:  $8\frac{1}{4}$  inches.

Weight: 17 pounds.

Power requirements: 105-125 volts, 60 cycles, 175 watts.

Price class: \$90 kit, \$110 wired.

Manufacturer: The Hallicrafters Company, Chicago 24, Illinois.

driver-adjusted audio gain control is mounted on the rear wall of chassis. — P. F. W.

## SX-140K Receiver

THE Hallicrafters kit model SX-140K (available wired and tested as the SX-140) is an inexpensive, single-conversion ham-bands only communications receiver. It is designed for reception of a.m., c.w., and s.s.b. signals on all amateur bands between 80 and 6 meters. Two of its many features are a built-in calibration alignment oscillator and an S meter.

The receiver circuit includes five tubes and two semiconductor diodes in a straightforward super-heterodyne circuit. A block diagram of the circuit is shown in Fig. 1. The pentode section of a 6AZ8 is used as an r.f. amplifier. Its input circuit is tuned by a front-panel ANT TRIM control while

the plate circuit uses slug-tuned coils which are fixed-tuned to the center of each amateur band during the aligning process. An R.F. GAIN control in the cathode of the r.f. amplifier controls the gain of this stage.

The triode section of the 6AZ8 is used in a crystal oscillator circuit for checking the dial calibration on each band. A 3.5-Mc. crystal is furnished; it provides calibration markers at the low-frequency edges of all bands through 10 meters and at 52.5 Mc. in the 6-meter band. This oscillator can also be used for aligning the receiver.

The r.f. stage is followed by a 6U8 pentode

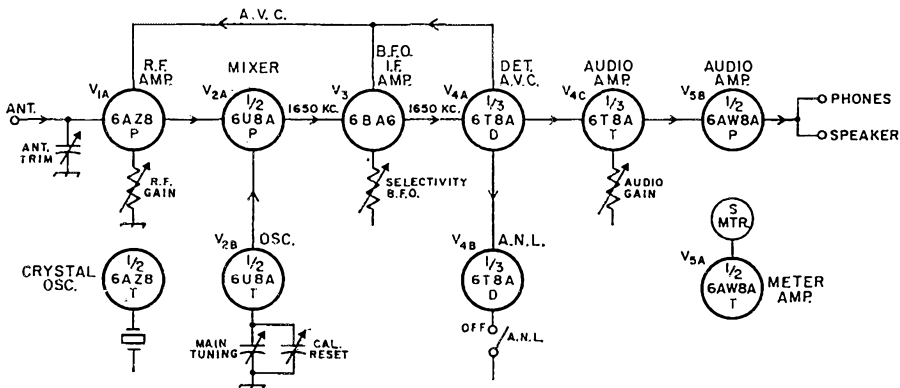


Fig. 1—Block diagram of the SX-140 receiver.

mixer/triode h.f. oscillator. The main tuning control is a variable capacitor in the oscillator circuit which is string-coupled to a pointer on the slide-rule dial. Also part of the oscillator tuned circuit is another variable capacitor connected in parallel with the main tuning capacitor. A shaft from this capacitor runs out to a front-panel CAL RESET control to permit electrical recalibration on each band. It is used along with the built-in calibrator for setting the low-frequency limit of each band.

A 6BA6 1650-ke. amplifier also doubles as the b.f.o. in the SX-140 (see Fig. 2). The panel control SELECTIVITY-B.F.O. is a potentiometer,  $R_1$ , which applies adjustable positive bias to a silicon diode,  $CR_1$ , shunted from the suppressor grid to ground; this controls the regeneration in the stage by varying the effective resistance between the suppressor grid and ground. When  $R_1$  is in the minimum selectivity position (with the arm to the right in Fig. 2), a positive voltage is applied to the diode,  $CR_1$ , which is connected in the forward direction and is conducting. The suppressor grid is effectively grounded through the conducting diode and the tube operates as a Class A i.f. amplifier. However, as the control is advanced towards maximum selectivity, the voltage across the diode is reduced and finally the diode stops conducting. This raises the impedance from the suppressor grid to ground, reducing the shielding between the plate and grid and the circuit becomes regenerative. Finally, it will go into oscillation, at which point the control becomes the b.f.o. pitch adjuster.

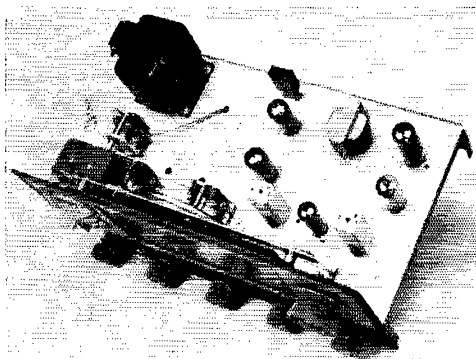
Following the i.f. amplifier/b.f.o. is a 6T8A, one diode of which is used as a detector/a.v.c. rectifier. A second diode plate is used in an automatic noise limiter circuit, while the triode section of the tube serves as the first audio amplifier. The power pentode section of a 6AW8A is used as the output audio amplifier while the triode section operates as a d.c. amplifier in the carrier-level meter circuit.

Two silicon rectifiers connected in a full-wave voltage-doubler circuit furnish the operating voltages for the receiver. The power-supply filter is a pi-type arrangement using resistance and capacitance.

Front panel controls for the SX-140 include, besides those already mentioned, the automatic noise limiter slide switch, the calibration on-off slide switch, the BAND SELECTOR control, the AUDIO GAIN control, and a four-position FUNCTION switch (OFF, STANDBY, A.M. and C.W.-S.S.B.). Also on the front panel are a PHONES jack, carrier-level meter and the slide-rule dial.

Some auxiliary switching circuits have been included in the receiver for controlling other station accessories and components. Two pairs of contacts are closed when the receiver is turned to the STANDBY position. These contacts have connections at the receiver's rear apron.

It took this writer about 15 to 20 hours to build and align the receiver. The kit parts were grouped into several plastic bags and small paper boxes. With the aid of the instruction manual it



Top view of the SX-140K. The three variable capacitors, from left to right, are the antenna trimmer, calibration reset, and oscillator tuning capacitors. The 3.5-Mc. calibration crystal is near the back of the chassis. The two metal knobs on the front panel, just below the S meter, are the ANTENNA TRIMMER and CALIBRATION RESET controls. Also on the front panel, from left to right, are the FUNCTION switch, PHONES jack, BAND SELECTOR, CALIBRATION switch, R-F-GAIN control, ANL switch, SELECTIVITY-BFO control, and the AUDIO GAIN control.

was no trouble at all to identify the individual components and check them against the parts list. No shortages were found. The parts were all good quality, and a few deserve special mention: A wiring harness which helped to make the receiver wiring neat and rigid, and the hookup wire—the insulation of which did not melt halfway down the wire when the leads were soldered! Many of the screws and nuts furnished with the kit had built-in lock washers.

No difficulties were encountered in wiring the receiver. A 32-page assembly manual and an 18-page operating and servicing pamphlet do a fine job of keeping the builder on the right path. There are also 12 large pictorials to aid the constructor.

The built-in crystal calibration oscillator makes alignment of the finished kit quite simple. Using the 3.5-Mc. crystal, the 80-through 10-meter bands are aligned at their low-frequency ends and the 6-meter band is aligned at 52.5 Mc. Incidentally, by substituting a 1650-ke. crystal (which is not supplied with the kit) and using the S meter as an output indicator, the 1650-ke. i.f. transformers can be aligned.

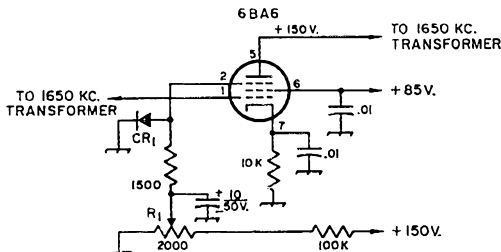
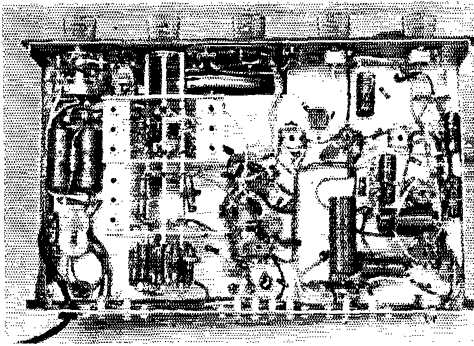


Fig. 2—Diagram of the 6BA6 i.f. amplifier and b.f.o. The potentiometer,  $R_1$ , controls the regeneration in this stage which doubles as a b.f.o. Capacitances are in  $\mu\text{f.}$ , resistances are in ohms, resistors are  $\frac{1}{2}$  watt.



Bottom view of the SX-140K. The silicon rectifier power supply is near the left edge of the chassis. Next to it is the band-switch assembly, which comes factory wired. From left to right on the rear panel are the ground and antenna connection, two pairs of contacts for transmitter and antenna switching, speaker terminals, and the S-meter zero set potentiometer.

In general, this writer's receiver operated quite well. One thing we did notice was that the dial readings were in some error on the higher bands

as we tuned away from the low-end calibration frequency (there was a 50-ke. error on 6 meters at the dial extreme). Also, adjustment of the ANTENNA TRIMMER and R.F. GAIN "pulled" the oscillator frequency slightly. However, for a receiver in its price class, the SX-140 does a respectable job — even on 50 Mc.

The SX-140 is housed in a gray cabinet which is open at the back for ventilation. The panel is finished in two-tone gray.

— W. F. L.

#### Hallcrafters SX-140 Receiver and SX-140K Kit

Height:  $7\frac{3}{16}$  inches.

Width:  $13\frac{3}{8}$  inches.

Depth:  $8\frac{1}{4}$  inches.

Weight:  $13\frac{1}{2}$  pounds.

Power requirements: 47 watts at 117 volts, 50/60 cycles.

Price class: \$100 kit, \$125 wired.

Manufacturer: The Hallcrafters Company, Chicago 24, Ill.

## New Receiver Line from Hammarlund

THE Hammarlund Mfg. Co., New York 1, N. Y., has redesigned several of their communication receivers, and to one has added a built-in 5-watt

transmitter! Since the basic receivers have been described before in *QST*, only additions and new features to the line will be discussed here.

### HQ-100A

The HQ-100A is similar to the HQ-100<sup>1</sup> but has a separate built-in b.f.o. In the HQ-100, the *Q* multiplier was made to go into oscillation to provide the beat frequency for c.w. and s.s.b. reception.

The only noticeable difference on the front panel is a new B.F.O. PITCH control located midway between the main and bandspread tuning dial scales. Also, the FUNCTION switch is now labeled OFF-REC-SEND and BFO. The *Q* multiplier,

<sup>1</sup> "Recent Equipment," *QST*, January, 1957.

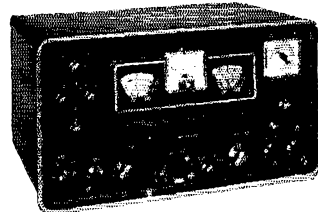


which was formerly turned on and off by the function switch, is now controlled by the SELECTIVITY control, with "off" being in the extreme counter-clockwise position.

If you're wondering where the new b.f.o. tube fits into the HQ-100A chassis, the 6AL5 tube originally used as a detector and a.n.l. has been replaced by a 6BV8 dual diode-triode tube. The diodes supersede the 6AL5, and the triode section operates as the b.f.o. The 12-hour clock timer has been replaced with a 24-hour model.

### HQ-145 X

A crystal-controlled local oscillator is the new feature of the HQ-145 X. The receiver can be



tuned the same as the HQ-145<sup>2</sup> or it can be

<sup>2</sup> "Recent Equipment," *QST*, June, 1959.

switched to crystal control to receive on any desired spot frequency throughout the entire frequency range of the receiver. This should come in handy for net operation, time-weather information, and for calibration and test purposes.

Switching between the variable frequency oscillator and the crystal oscillator is done through the former NOISE LIMITER switch, which now has four positions: VFO, VFO-LIMITER, XTAL, and XTAL-LIMITER.

To operate crystal control, it is necessary to

turn the panel NOISE LIMITER switch to the proper position, insert a crystal and tune the receiver to the desired frequency. Crystal frequencies for various spots can be calculated from information furnished with the receiver. For the first three bands (0.54 to 10 Mc.) the crystal is chosen 455 kc. higher than the received signal frequency. On the higher bands (10 to 30 Mc.), where double conversion is used, the crystal should be 3.035 kc. below the input signal frequency. The HQ-145 X also has a new 24-hour clock.

## HQ-105 TR



This combination transmitter-receiver is basically an HQ-100A with a crystal-controlled 5-watt 10-meter transmitter included in the same package. The transmitter is a two-tube affair using a 6CX8 triode-pentode combination. The triode operates as a simple crystal oscillator and the pentode as a plate-modulated r.f. amplifier.

Modulation power is supplied by the receiver's audio amplifiers, which are switched when going from transmit to receive. A spare triode section of a 12AX7 in the receiver circuit is used as a

microphone speech amplifier, and is out of the circuit when in the REC condition. Manual change-over from send to receive is accomplished by throwing the front panel FUNCTION switch to SEND, or, if push-to-talk operation is desired, by putting the switch in the REC position, in which case the station can be controlled by a built-in relay actuated by a push-to-talk switch on the microphone. The microphone connector is located at the rear of the chassis.

— E. L. C.

## Strays

W7CKV of Tucson, Arizona, started "Operation 52" in 1957 through a desire to help children at the National Foundation for Asthmatic Children in Tucson. Through the cooperation of other hams throughout the country, children at the Foundation were able to talk over W7CKV to their parents. In subsequent years W7CKV (himself confined to a wheel chair) got help from other Tucson hams, and now some three dozen of them pitch in at Christmas-time to provide communication between parents and children who can't be together for the holidays. In 1960, 48 of the 56 children at the Foundation were able to talk with their parents, thanks to the advance preparation by the Operation 52 Committee, which was headed by K7LJY last year. He's in charge again this year, and is looking for help from other hams in the following cities:

Saugus, Mass.; Westville, N. J.; Brooklyn, N. Y.; Freeport, N. Y.; Stony Point, N. C.; Levittown, Pa.; Pittsburgh, Pa.; Parkside Chester, Pa.; York, Pa.; Nashville, Pa.; North Charleston, S. C.; Abilene, Tex.; Big Springs, Tex.; Crockett, Tex.; Dallas, Tex.; Houston, Tex.; Midland, Tex.; San Francisco, Calif.; Minneola, Kans.; McCook, Nebr.; Montreal, Que.; San Luis Obispo, Calif.; Santa Cruz, Calif.; Miles City, Mont.; Klamath Falls, Ore.; Prineville, Ore.; Larson AFB, Wash.; Seattle, Wash.; Waitsburg, Wash.; Livonia, Mich.; Toledo, Ohio; Shady Spring, W. Va.; Bonfield, Ill.; Maywood, Ill.; Rock Falls, Ill.; Rockford, Ill.; DePere, Wis.; Towner, Colo.; Ft. Madison, Iowa; Hugoton, Kans.; Haley, N. Dak.; Toronto, Ont.

If you live in or near one of these towns, and can operate on 7.210, 7.230, 14.245, 14.290, 21.330, 21.380, 28.650 or 29.300 Mc., phone, please write immediately to Dr. Ken Wertman, K7LJY, 2233 E. Waverly St., Tucson, Ariz.

Are you in favor of reciprocal licensing arrangements with other countries? Then be sure to ask your senators to support Senate Bill 2361.

### OUR COVER

Season's Greetings from the staff at Headquarters. The array of Hq. QSL cards on this month's cover includes most of the hams on the staff, and *all* who have the "headquarters" card. We hope you'll recognize your favorite authors and correspondents among the lot, and perhaps you even have cards from some of this gang on your own wall. (Incidentally, we know of only one person who has worked and received a QSL from each ham at Hq. How many have *you* worked?)

A Happy New Year to you, too, from the ARRL gang!



# Hints and Kinks

## For the Experimenter



### CERTIFICATE AND QSL HOLDER

A NEW plastic material called Holdit Plastik, manufactured by Eberhard Faber, Inc., of Wilkes-Barre, Penna., and available at most five-and-ten-cent stores, can replace the old-fashioned tacks, tape, staples or paste usually used to hold certificates and QSLs to the wall. The material looks and feels like ordinary window putty. When ready to use it, roll it into small balls, place one on each corner of the object to be mounted, and press firmly to the wall. It will not stain either surface, apparently lasts indefinitely, and will not dry out. Holdit can also be used to seal tubes, vials, and bottles of radio chemicals, or it can be stuck to the corners of radio equipment to act as feet to keep the cabinet from scratching the surface it is sitting on. Plastic can be used over and over again and will not scar or mar the surface it has been attached to.

— Ellen White, W1YVM

### HEATHKIT WARRIOR NOTES

THE bias supply filtering system in the Heathkit Warrior can be improved by removing the 11-ohm 5-watt resistor and installing a Zener diode in its place. A current limiting resistor is placed between the bias line and the 100- $\mu$ f. capacitor. The circuit in Fig. 1A shows the

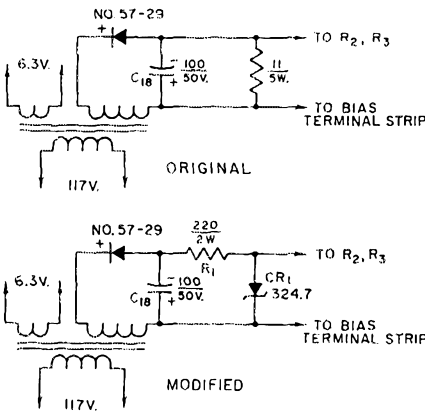


Fig. 1A—Improved bias circuit for the Warrior.

original and modified bias circuits. The Zener diode, CR1, that I used was an International Rectifier Corp. type 3Z4.7 capable of 3.5 watts dissipation. In this application, the dissipation is less than one watt, and therefore, no heat sink is required. The current limiting resistor, R1, limits the current through the Zener diode to about 45 ma.

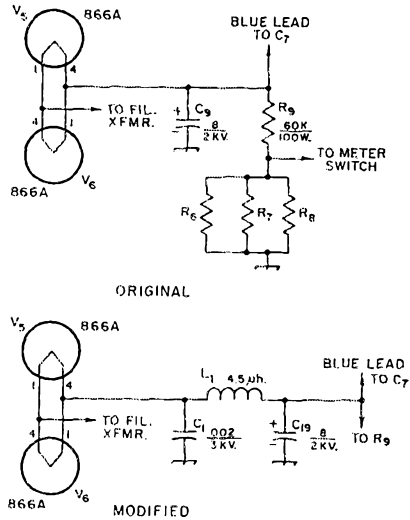


Fig. 1B—The addition of C1 and L1 reduces rectifier noise in the Warrior.

Fig. 1B shows a modification to the high-voltage power-supply section that will eliminate annoying impulse noise caused by the mercury vapor rectifiers. I noticed the noise especially on 40 meters and it appeared to climb with the 811s biased to cutoff. The noise was eliminated by adding a .002- $\mu$ f. 3000-volt capacitor, C1 (actually two .001- $\mu$ f. units in parallel), between the heaters and ground, and a 4.5- $\mu$ H. coil, L1, B & W Miniductor No. 3104, between the 866A heaters and the load.

— Joe Santangelo, W1VXY

### INEXPENSIVE CONTROL KNOBS

I HAVE found that electricians' solderless wire connectors can be screwed onto control shafts and used as knobs. These connectors are usually black in color and come in several different sizes. Almost any electrical supply house or hardware store carry the item which sells for only a few cents each.

— Roger M. Corey, W1HNG

### SIMPLE ALIGNMENT TOOL

A PLASTIC nut starter, such as one of those furnished with some electronic kits, can be converted into an alignment tool by breaking off a piece of razor blade and inserting it into the end of the nut starter. The broken blade should be a little oversized so that it will make a tight fit.

— Tom Rugen, W1ZNYQ



## DUAL-PURPOSE PRODUCT DETECTOR

THE circuit in Fig. 2 shows a novel approach to switching between a.m. and s.s.b. detection. Although I worked out the scheme for my own homebuilt receiver, it should be of value to someone converting a commercial receiver or designing his own.

Tube  $V_1$  in Fig. 2 is the last i.f. amplifier of a conventional arrangement. A basic characteristic of a product detector is that when no b.f.o. voltage is injected into it, it operates linearly; thus, it can also operate as a good audio amplifier. The idea in this circuit is to use the product detector as a mixer while in the s.s.b. mode, and as an audio amplifier on a.m.  $V_2$  is an added triode, connected as an infinite impedance a.m. detector. Audio from  $V_2$  is fed through  $T_2$  to the product detector. I.f. is switched via links from  $T_2$  to  $T_3$  for either s.s.b. or a.m. modes.

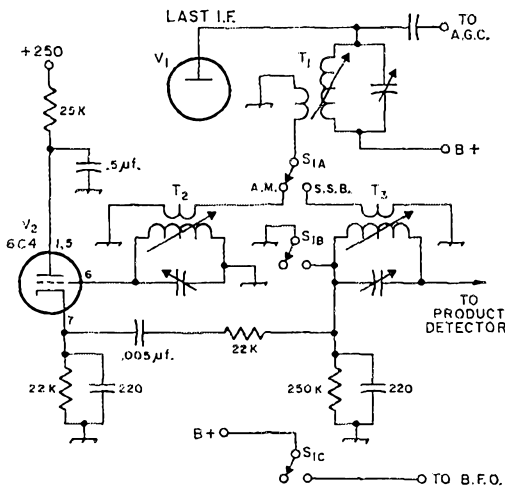


Fig. 2—W2GOO's system for making a product detector do double duty. Unless otherwise indicated, capacitances are in  $\mu\text{f.}$ , resistances are in ohms, resistors are  $\frac{1}{2}$  watt.  $T_1, T_2, T_3$ —See text.

When used on a.m.,  $T_3$  acts as an i.f. choke in series with the product detector trapping out the i.f. component. When used on s.s.b., i.f. is injected directly into  $T_3$  by way of the link, and the b.f.o. is switched on.

Transformers  $T_1, T_2$ , and  $T_3$  are conventional i.f. transformers, separated from each other and, if possible, individually shielded. The links are hand wound over the windings with about 10 turns or so over the cold ends of the coils.

$T_1$  and  $T_2$  are best tuned up in the a.m. position and adjusted for maximum signal. While still in the a.m. position, jump the switch  $S_{1C}$  temporarily to turn on the b.f.o. Now adjust  $T_3$  for the minimum beat note, which indicates the best trapping action of  $T_3$ .

—Eugene A. Anthony, W2GOO

## DIPOLE CENTER INSULATOR

THE porcelain base from a common flange type light bulb fixture can be used for an insulator at the center of a dipole antenna. Take the fixture apart and discard everything but the base itself. Connect the antenna wires to the two small holes formerly used to mount the socket and run the coax feedline up through the large hole that originally enclosed the lamp base. The porcelain is very strong and should hold even the heaviest dipole.

—Dennis Marandos, K1LGQ

## EMERGENCY POWER — CHEAP

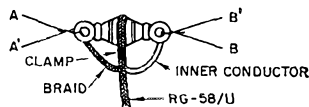
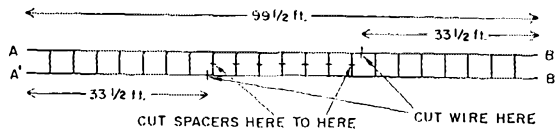
THERE is a fine fire-tower location not far from the summer place of K1GBC in Tolland, Mass., and Pete wanted some means of running low-powered v.h.f. gear up there without the risk of a dead car battery. Portable a.c. generators cost money, so he looked around for a ham approach to the problem.

The solution was suggested by a Heathkit MP-10 Power Converter that had been used to power the K1GBC Communicator in mobile work for some time. Why not run this off the output of a car generator, instead of from a 12-volt battery? A 1955 Chevrolet generator was located in a junk yard, and this was hooked up to a 1-horsepower gas engine from a discarded power mower. This combination delivers around 200 watts a.c., more than enough for the purpose Pete had in mind. The total weight of all three units is less than the smallest commercially-available gas-engine generators — and the total cost was a fraction of the going price for portable generators.

—W1HDQ

## NOTE CONCERNING "A NOVICE THREE-BAND ANTENNA SYSTEM"

IN regard to W1CIP's article in the October issue, "A Novice Three-Band Antenna System," instead of cutting the 99½ feet of 300- or 450-ohm line in the center, cut it 33½ feet from one



end on one side of the line, and 33½ feet from the other end of the remaining side of the line (see Fig. 3). Now join A to A' and B to B' as illustrated, and there will be no need for splices or waste.

—Dan Ditto, W0CMI

# ● Technical Correspondence

## THE TRANSISTORIZED "ULTIMATIC"

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Technical Editor, QST:

Early reports from those duplicating the circuit in my article on the transistorized "Ultimatic" keyer (QST for September and October, 1960) indicated some malfunctions which have since been corrected. These corrections were made on all circuit boards sent out after January 1961. The purpose of this letter is to pass on the recommended circuit changes to those who obtained boards prior to January, and to supplement the article with suggestions sent in by those trying the circuit.

The most serious malfunction was first noticed by W2QYW which turned out to be a congenital defect in the seizure circuitry. When an "a," "w," "j," or numeral "1" was formed by the "squeeze" technique, the dash failed to come out except when the dot lever was released. This happened on the average of once in a dozen tries and was traced to the seizure circuit which showed a dead spot near the time the opposite memory was reset. That is, the dash-lever actuation failed to seize the dot closure if it coincided with the time the dot memory was reset. This was cured by the circuit change of Fig. 1.

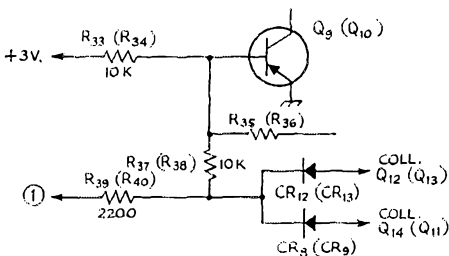


Fig. 1—Revised seizure circuit.  $C_{14}$  ( $C_{15}$ ) and  $C_{16}$  ( $C_{17}$ ) have been removed. The values of  $R_{33}$  ( $R_{34}$ ) and  $R_{37}$  ( $R_{38}$ ) have been changed and  $R_{39}$  ( $R_{40}$ ) has been relocated. The polarities of  $CR_{12}$  ( $CR_{13}$ ) and  $CR_9$  ( $CR_9$ ) have been reversed.

The next change was aimed at reducing the parts count of the keyer by resetting the dot (dash) memory 1 dot length after the start of the dot (dash) instead of at the start in the original circuit. In practice, this extra dot-length memory capacity is not needed because strings of dots (dashes) are made by holding the lever for the duration of the string rather than by actuating the lever for each dot (dash) in the string. This modification was carried out by replacing  $R_{28}$  ( $R_{28}$ ) with a short circuit, increasing  $R_{26}$  ( $R_{27}$ ) from 4.7K to 10K, eliminating  $C_{28}$  ( $C_{27}$ ), removing the cathode of  $CR_6$  ( $CR_7$ ) from the collector of  $Q_4$  ( $Q_6$ ) and connecting it to the collector of  $Q_3$ , and removing the end of  $R_{31}$  ( $R_{32}$ ) connected to the collector of  $Q_6$  ( $Q_{10}$ ) and connecting it to the collector of  $Q_8$  ( $Q_5$ ).

An occasional long (5-element) dash, which occurred because of the shunting of the dash reset pulse by  $C_9$ , was eliminated by decreasing the value of  $C_9$  from 0.1 to 0.01  $\mu$ f.

From W2QYW comes the circuit for direct grid-block keying without the relay, shown in Fig. 2. In this circuit, the relay transient-shunting diode  $CR_4$  is eliminated, and  $Q_{16}$  is replaced with a high-voltage 2N398. The monitor is keyed by deriving its supply voltage from the collector of  $Q_{15}$  via the 1N450 which disconnects the monitor from the grid-block voltage under key-up conditions. The 2700-ohm resistor is for the elimination of monitor clicks, and the resistor  $R$  is inserted to prevent the grid of the keyed tube from going positive with the key down. When using this method of keying, occasional clicks between characters may be noticed. Because of the finite length of the start pulses, a lever actuation closely following the leading edge of a start pulse may pass the trailing edge of the pulse to the dot (dash) generator which may not be sufficient in amplitude to trigger the generator but may be audible in the monitor as a click. This is not noticeable when using the relay be-

cause of the insensitivity of the relay to the spikes. Changing  $C_9$  from 0.1 to 0.01  $\mu$ f. will shorten the start pulses and reduce this effect.

For those wishing faster relay action, overdrive is the answer. This would necessitate a higher-voltage supply. If the original supply voltages are to be retained, a high-sensitivity, low-resistance relay is needed. A Sigma 5P-1000 will give some improvement if the two coils are connected in parallel (aiding) instead of the original series connection. The result will be a 250-ohm relay with about the same pull-in current as the 4P-1000. A 220-ohm resistor is then inserted in series with the modified relay to reduce the time constant. The price paid for the faster action is about twice the current drain from  $Q_{15}$ .

K3MTW experienced a situation of occasional extra dashes, and a continuous string of alternate dots and dashes when keying an audio oscillator. He traced this to stray coupling between his relay-contact leads and paddle leads which caused feedback.

Another cause of extra dashes (dots) is contact bounce on the release of a lever. This may be cured by placing a 0.1- to 1- $\mu$ f. capacitor across each lever contact.

A precaution to be observed when installing r.f. filtering in the power leads and in experimenting with a.c. power supplies is to be sure to avoid any series resistance in the plus 6-volt lead. This lead is the common connection as far as the circuit is concerned and any resistance in it will cause undesirable coupling between the various flip-flops.

Directly under the section "Testing and Adjustment" in my article, add the following: With the speed control fully clockwise, check to see if the control is wired to give maximum resistance. This will give an approximately linear decrease of speed with clockwise rotation. To get the more conventional increase of speed with clockwise rotation requires a pot with an inverse log taper which is not a stock item for 100K. Some crowding will be noticed in the rotation vs. speed characteristic near mid range because the log taper is only an approximation to the taper required for linear speed control.

In the original first paragraph under "Testing and Adjustment," change "clockwise" to "counterclockwise" and "counterclockwise" to "clockwise". In Part II (October issue), under the heading "Letter and Word Space," mention is made that the ideal word space of 6 dot lengths cannot be obtained on the keyer, but W6MMIC.7 points out that 7 dot lengths is the correct word space which is indeed obtainable on the "Ultimatic." Under the heading "Time Base," the speed range is given as 5 to 50 w.p.m., but using the conventional w.p.m. equals dashes in 5 seconds, the speed range is 6.25 to 62.5 w.p.m.

Recent price reductions on the 2N398 (Raytheon) makes it quite practical to use it throughout the keyer proper except, of course, for the n-p-n  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ . The 2N213A (Sylvania) with a minimum beta of 100 is a better choice for  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  than the more expensive 2N1698 specified originally.

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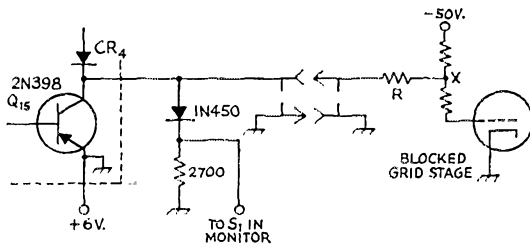


Fig. 2—Circuit used by W2QYW for direct grid-block keying. The original  $Q_{15}$  has been replaced by the higher-voltage 2N398. This circuit should not be used where the transmitter blocking voltage exceeds 100 volts. The purpose of  $R$  is to prevent the grid of the keyed stage from going positive when the key is closed. Its value should be adjusted until point  $X$  is at ground potential. The original connection to  $S_1$  in the monitor is removed.

# K5CBZ—Portable Iron Lung

BY BOB DOUGLAS,\* W8GEL, AND DWIGHT P. KELLER,\*\* K5HRH

**B**ILLY WHITE, K5CBZ, is a bright young amateur of 13 years. A victim of bulbar spinal polio, he has spent the last eight years in an iron lung, immobilized from the neck down, but daily he travels the airwaves, visiting friends, meeting new people and filling his time through the magic of amateur radio.

The problem of keeping an active mind occupied in spite of such physical confinement has never been great for Billy, what with school work, reading, television, etc., but now keeping up with his ninth-grade classes may be more of a problem. Somehow, 40 meters is usually more interesting than algebra and history.

It was largely through the efforts of Larry Riney, K5OMR, that Billy was introduced to amateur radio. After months of hard work and lots of help from K5OMR, W5SIL, and others, a Novice license and the call letters KN5CBZ were obtained. A station was assembled and antennas erected by friends, and KN5CBZ was on the air. Because the station could only be operated when Billy was out of the respirator, activity as a Novice was limited, but many contacts were made over a period of months. Continuing to work hard on code and theory, Billy found his efforts rewarded when he passed the code and theory examination for Conditional Class license. Having developed a terrific memory, the theory examination was no great problem, but the code was something else. Code is sent by holding a stick in the teeth and manipulating the key by slightly moving the head. Copying is done with a pencil used in the same manner. Copying by pencil requires such effort that a facility for copying "in the head" was developed quite early, and a good sense of rhythm and a sensitive touch on the key makes K5CBZ's code better than the average newcomer. Incidentally, there was so much code practice going on for such a long time that Billy's mother and sister have also become adept in the dits and dahs.

With the Novice restrictions removed and phone operation a possibility, thought was given to the problem of providing a station that Billy could operate while in the respirator. The Collins

KWM-2 seemed like a good choice. Weighing only 18 pounds and being entirely self-contained, it was deemed feasible to mount the transceiver on the respirator, using the regular respirator mountings that are normally used to hold a mirror, book rack, etc. A special mounting plate was fabricated and holds the transceiver in a vertical position with the controls in the proper position so that they can be operated by means of a stick held in the teeth. The telegraph key and beam rotator can also be reached easily in the same manner.

It was necessary to make a special fifteen-foot power supply cable extension so that the transceiver power supply could be mounted on the floor out of the way. A remote relay was fabricated to automatically change antennas when the band selector switch on the transceiver is changed. In order to conserve weight, the meter and switch from the HAM-M rotator control box were removed and mounted in a small aluminum box and fixed in position. A small speaker was mounted in another box and fastened to the lid, thus completing the installation. The entire assembly can be removed and reinstalled easily in seconds.

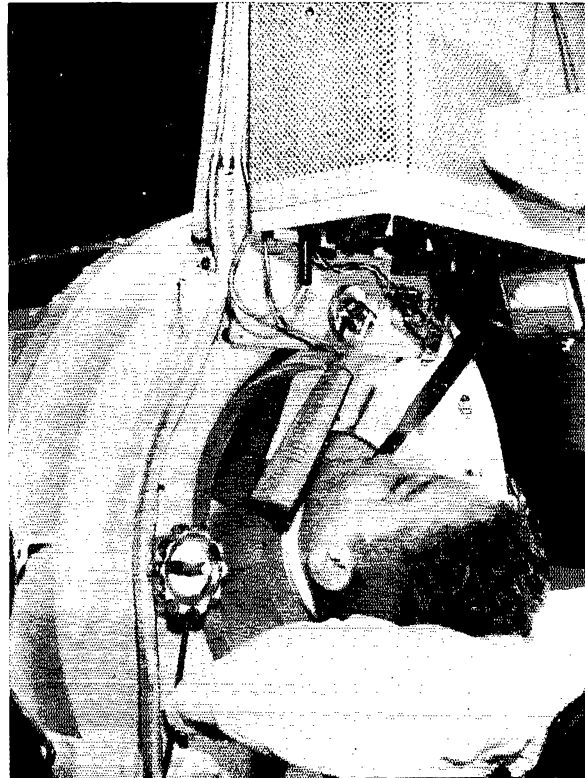
At present, Billy can fully operate the equipment except for changing bands and retuning the transmitter. After the transmitter is tuned on a particular band, he can manipulate all the controls required for normal operation on both s.s.b. and c.w. It is planned to modify the controls so that he will be able to change bands and retune.

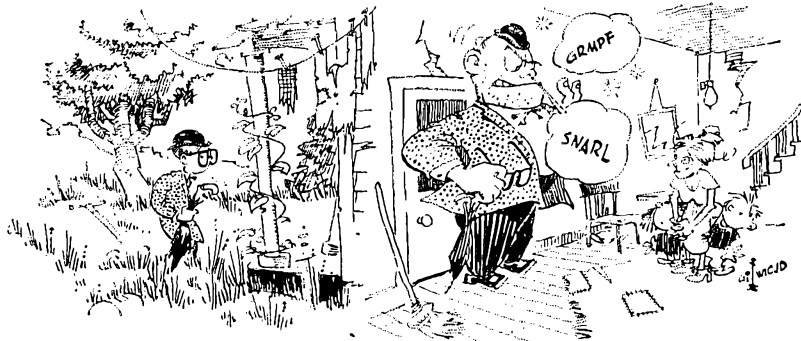
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Using a cake spatula held in his teeth, 13-year-old K5CBZ operates c.w. even though confined to an iron lung. A victim of bulbar spinal polio, Billy White has spent eight years in the respirator. He is able to operate voice and c.w. on the several bands covered by the KWM-2, and during hurricane Carla spent many hours on the air handling emergency traffic.





For 20 years McSnood had lived this two-faced existence

## The DX King

BY LAURENCE L. PRIDDY,\* K5HTM

**J**OB McSnood had two life-long ambitions: to have his call on the DX honor roll of countries worked and to be promoted from third assistant clerk of the second assistant manager of Binney and Schultz, accountants, to first assistant clerk of the general manager of the firm.

DX-wise, McSnood's ambitions had been realized, for his call was always high on the QST DXCC listing, and often it would be at the very top. Promotion, however, had passed Joe by and he had remained a third assistant clerk for all the twenty years he had worked for Binney and Schultz.

Looking at McSnood, one would wonder why he had never advanced, for he looked as though he would be the perfect clerk. He was pallid, near-sighted, and exceedingly polite — the type who would probably always be on time and quietly conscientious in performing his tasks. But he was not such a clerk. Four mornings out of five McSnood punched the time clock ten to fifteen minutes late, and four evenings out of five there were unfinished papers on his desk when 1700 rolled around.

Ironically, this promotion-destroying inefficiency was directly the result of Joe's success in achieving his DX fame. Almost every morning he would put off going to work to get one more crack at a new one and end up by getting to the office late, and just about every afternoon he would find himself daydreaming of the rare one he had missed the night before instead of doing whatever it is that third assistants to second assistant managers are supposed to do.

Considering that on the job Joe was a quiet, timid little man, it may appear odd that he was ever able to get up enough gumption to join the pileups and work all those countries, and it may also seem strange that on a third assistant clerk's salary he was able to afford the equipment to enable him to compete with his more wealthy DX'er adversaries. The truth is that Joe McSnood at home was quite a different man from Joe

McSnood at the office. He was the stoop-shouldered, near-sighted, mild-mannered clerk McSnood in the elevator from the office to the ground floor, on the bus ride home, and even up to the very front door of his house. But when McSnood entered his front door, he hung his meekness along with his coat, hat, and umbrella on the nail in the front hall by the door and stood revealed as lionhearted McSnood, straight of shoulder and commanding of eye, conqueror of rare DX from AC3 to HE9. Feeling that he must demonstrate his leonine majesty, he would growl at his XYL, telling her that he would expect supper in half an hour because W8XX was going to be on Bustard Island tonight and he wanted to be sure to work him. His thin, brow-beaten YF would bow meekly to the ground while the two ragged McSnood harmonics pecked timidly from behind her skirts at their magnificent OM. Then McSnood would stalk over the worn carpet of the living room floor and ascend the creaking stairs to his shack.

The McSnoods had no car, their meals were cooked on a woodstove, there was a big hole in the living room floor where his mother-in-law had broken through the termite-ridden flooring, the harmonics' shoes had holes in them, and Mrs. McSnood hadn't had a new dress in ten years. From the trash-littered yard knee deep in grass to the weather-beaten gable with its peeling paint, the whole McSnood house was in ruins. All, that is, except for one room — the shack. That was immaculate. In a custom-built console reposed a brand-new 1000K receiver and a gleaming DX-Master-2 transmitter. Neatly installed cables and feedlines led through the window to a multitude of arrays installed on a ninety-foot rotating tower. Joe's family was raggedly clothed and ill fed and his house was about to fall apart, but DX King McSnood had the best rig in the section.

Once or twice a year, the XYL would summon her courage and ask Joe for a little money to buy new clothes for the kids, or to pay the ice man or

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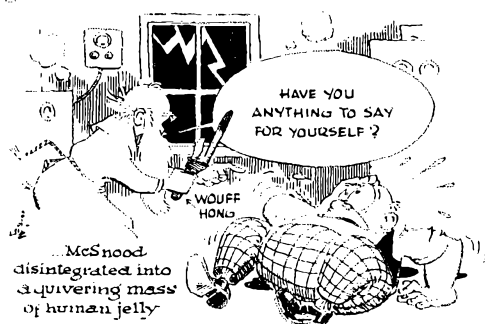
water company. The wrath of McSnood on these occasions was instant and terrible. Didn't she realize, he would ask, how badly he needed a new tower so he could get his beams up to the two-hundred-foot level? Wasn't it just the other day that Gunkle across town had worked 8F1Z ahead of him because his \$120 final tube was soft? Under this barrage, his long-suffering spouse would gently close the door of the shack, which she had opened only a crack, and shuffle back downstairs to sit and stare at the blank face of the TV set, which hadn't worked since Joe had borrowed a couple of tubes from it to fix his receiver.

For twenty years, McSnood had lived this two-faced existence — mild, mediocre McSnood at the office, DX King McSnood at home — spending his money on newer and better rigs and neglecting his work while his house got dingier and dingier, his family's clothes more and more threadbare, his chance of advancement to first assistant clerk lower and lower, and his DX total higher and higher.

One night McSnood sat in his shack, trying to work the first station ever to be on Epiglottis Island. The pileup was terrific and the station, EPI0X, was weak, but McSnood was confident of success. After all, he *did* have the best rig in the section. Joe was employing his usual operating tactics, not only calling loud and long each time EPI0X stood by at the end of a QSO, but also searching out stations who were working EPI0X, carefully zero-beating them, and sending his call repeatedly just as they were sending their RST reports and QTHs. This particular evening, however, the DX was so rare and the pileup so bad that even the Big Boy Top Ops like McSnood were having to wait in line.

Joe became so engrossed in trying to bag EPI0X and so infuriated when that lowly scum Gunkle got him first that he did not notice the buildup of the intense electrical storm in the sky overhead. So bemused was he by Gunkle's coup that not even the static popping in his ears warned him of the impending danger.

The lightning struck with a crackling roar, and McSnood felt himself being knocked out of his chair to the floor. The lights went out and came back on, and McSnood found himself seated on the floor with his back to the wall. Facing him, seated in McSnood's own chair, was an old gent with a long white beard, wearing a flowing white gown.



In his right hand, this strange visitor held an object which struck mortal terror into McSnood's heart. Long and irregular in shape, dirty with the dust of the years, its tip dyed bright red by the blood of countless DX hogs and lids, it was the fearful and mighty Wouff Hong. As soon as Joe recognized the Wouff Hong, he knew its wielder to be none other than The Old Man himself, and he realized that his visitor had come for one purpose — to judge him.

The Old Man gazed sternly down on the violently shaking and frightened DX King for several seconds and then spoke in a calm, grave voice.

"Joe McSnood," he said, "you stand accused by your deeds, recorded in the Black Book of Hamdom, having violated the following provisions of the Amateur's Code:

"The amateur is gentlemanly . . . He never knowingly uses the air for his own amusement in such a way as to lessen the pleasure of others. He abides by the pledges given by the ARRL in his behalf to the public and the Government." (McSnood turned green and shook even more violently, for he knew his discourteous DX tactics must have taken the fun out of hamming for many others.)

"The amateur is loyal . . . He owes his amateur radio to the American Radio Relay League, and he offers it his unswerving loyalty." (Joe's teeth started chattering — the only time *he* looked at QST was when he peeked at a copy in the radio store to see how he stood in the countries-worked totals. Buy a copy? Join ARRL? — not McSnood!)

"The amateur is progressive . . . He keeps his station abreast of science. It is built well and efficiently. His operating practice is clean and regular." (McSnood couldn't read schematics — he forgot how right after he took his General — all he knew was how to change tubes and how to turn the knobs on his DX-Master-2.)

"The amateur is friendly . . . Slow and patient sending when requested, friendly advice and counsel to the beginner, kindly assistance and cooperation for the broadcast listener; these are marks of the amateur spirit." (McSnood always bragged that he had never listened to a Novice station. As for broadcast listeners — well, Joe's policy was never to answer the telephone or doorbell while operating.)

"The amateur is balanced . . . Radio is his hobby. He never allows it to interfere with any of the duties he owes to his home, his job, his school, or his community." (Joe rolled over on his stomach and crawled under the operating table as he thought of his wife with no TV set, his sorry performance on his job, and the sad condition of his house.)

"The amateur is patriotic . . . His knowledge and his station are always ready for the service of his country and his community." (To McSnood, a flood or tornado was simply a weather condition usually accompanied by static which made the DX harder to work. Traffic and emer-

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# The World Above 50 Mc.

1215-1300

2300-2450

3300-3500

5650-5925

6000-10500

21000-22000

30000-?

CONDUCTED BY SAM HARRIS, W1FZJ

## Project WORTHWHILE

AMATEURS have, since the beginning, been involved in more projects than they can possibly handle. The average ham has anywhere from ten to twenty programs in process. One of the advantages of the OES organization is the requirement of making a monthly project status report. When you sit down to make out your report, you are of necessity forced to review your program in terms of progress. Many of us have a tendency to shift our interest from month to month and as a result many projects that seemed important are now pushed aside in favor of a new, hot-off-the-press idea. Now for a guy who is pursuing a hobby, it is obvious that a worthwhile project has a slightly different definition than you might expect in industry. For instance, a ham project need not have an end result. For example, one of my pet projects has been working 75-meter DX. During the months of December and January I have, for the past twelve years, spent an average of eight hours a day operating, and two days each week end building antennas. Each year when you start to smell wood smoke at sundown and there gets to be a bite in the morning air, old project "DX 80" gets hauled

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W1HDQ, v.h.f. editor of QST (on the left) with visiting v.h.f.er from Germany, DL3FM; probably settling the v.h.f. problems of today.

out. This project has no end point, but it does have a purpose and most important of all, it is worthwhile to me . . . so we have the first criterion for a worthwhile ham project: It must be a project which you think is interesting. Now if you think it is interesting, it is reasonable to assume that you think other hams will share your interest. And so we have the second criterion: In order for a project to be worthwhile, it must be one that can be shared.

There are two ways you can handle a project. The American way or the iron-curtain way. If you have an intense desire to prove how great you are and have small faith in your ability to prove it, if you feel that people will laugh at your failures, then maybe the iron-curtain way is best for you. The American way, and, traditionally, the ham way, has been to share both the successes and the failures. The OES reporting forms are designed to help you share your projects with the rest of the fraternity. (If you are not the holder of an OES appointment, drop a line to your Section Communication Manager. You will find his address on page six of every issue of QST.)

If you are an OES and you are wondering what happened to all that information you were supposed to get, take a look at your last report form. How much did you contribute? Are you working on a project that is worth sharing with others? If you are, and you tell about it, you will find that the news will be expeditiously disseminated. No fair marking your letters "not for general information, do not publish." The only place I can find around here where I can be sure that it won't be general information is the waste basket! If you have secrets to keep, don't tell me about them. I have no patience with iron-curtain tactics.

Speaking of worthwhile projects, we have been advised of a couple of general interest. The first is an effort to get the "serious" 144-Mc. operations moved up to the c.w. band. The advantages of this move are obvious. The effort involved for many is, of course, considerable. The fact remains that we have been allocated a c.w. subband extending from 147.9 to 148 Mc. and it behooves us to take advantage of it. If you insist, I will be glad to haul out some of the more vociferous of the letters I received on the desirability of such a subband. (I will assume that you won't insist.) Suffice it to say that there is now a movement afoot; you have all winter to get that behemoth converted over for high-end operation. Now is the time to start the arguing phase. Do not argue with me, however, as my antenna and transmitter work at both ends. What we need is

to find a few topnotch stations in relatively rare states to take a stand. I am sure, for instance, that if WIAZK will accept schedules only on the high end there will be the biggest beam shortening epidemic you ever witnessed. The same goes for many others. The decision is up to you. But if we are going to do it, let's get at it.

Another item of interest is the possibility of 10,000-Mc. contacts, using Project West Ford ("Needles" to you). Assuming that the commercial part of the project goes according to schedule, we will find ourselves with a ready-made reflecting layer which could conceivably be used on our 10 k Mc. band. With a layer height of 2000 miles, it is quite reasonable to expect coast-to-coast contacts. The official word is that there is nothing in this project to interest hams. Obviously, the official word-giver must not be a ham or he would be aware of the fact that there is no such thing as "can't be done" in our vocabulary. So far I have an antenna and a receiver going. The transmitter is still being built. Since we are not permitted the luxury of using pulse, I am going crystal control all the way. Present frequency is five kc. inside the low end (old timer, ha!). How about some action on this? Due to the urgency of getting something done, all letters and inquiries will be answered the same day. (Good grief! — Helen.)

### 50 Mc. WAS

1 W6ZJB	20 W6TMI**	40 W6DO	60 W6NLZ**
2 W6BJV	21 K6EDX	41 K9DXT	61 W7MAH
3 W6CJS	22 W5SFW*	42 W6ABN*	62 W8ESZ
4 W5AJJ	23 W0ORE	43 W8BAZ	63 W2BYM
5 W8ZHL	24 W3ALU	44 VE3AET	64 W7ACD
6 W9OCA	25 W8CMS*	45 W9JFP	65 K6PYH*
7 W6OB	26 W0MVG	46 W0QIN	66 W4HOB
8 W0INI	27 W0CNR	47 W0WVN	67 K0JJA
9 WIHDQ	28 W1VNH	48 K9ETD	68 K6RNO**
10 W5MJD	29 W0OLY	49 W0FKY	69 W9QWT*
11 W2IDZ	30 W7HEA	50 W8LPD	70 W6EDC**
12 WILL	31 K0GOG	51 W0ZTW	71 K6VLM**
13 W0DZM	32 W7FFE	52 W8GCG	72 K6G0X**
14 W0HVV	33 W0PEP	53 W2RGV	73 W0EDM
15 W0WKB	34 W6BJI**	54 W1DEI	74 W9JCI
16 W0SMJ	35 W2MEU	55 W1HOY	75 W0LLU*
17 W0OGW	36 W1CLS	56 W8ANN	76 W7RT**
18 W7ERA	37 W6PUZ	57 W1SUZ	77 W7RDY
19 W30JU	38 W7ILL	58 W1AEP*	78 W6KIN
	39 W0DDX	59 W5LFH	

\* 49 states

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VE7CN	15 EI2W	37 LU3DCA	27 SM6CHH	20
KL7AYV	14 O2ZXZ	36 LU3EX	27 LA7Y	20
VE1EF	42 ZS3G	32 Z2EJV	26 VQ2PL	18
VE4HS	41 SM6ANR	30 LU9MA	26 JA8AO	18
XE4GE	39 O2ZXZ	30 O2DL	25 JA8BU	17
VE2AOM	38 SM7ZN	29 CT1CO	24 JA1AAT	17
KH6UK	37 PZ1AE	28 CO6WW	21 JA1AUH	16
	SM6BTT	28 LA9T	21 VP5FP	7

### 50 Mc. and Up

Let's deviate from the norm this month and make it "Up and 50 Mc." for the benefit of those neglected v.h.f.ers who are working on or with equipment on 432 Mc., 220 Mc., and 1296 Mc. Nothing much has been said recently concerning this ever-growing group and they'll begin to resent it in a bit if we neglect them entirely. Old friends not heard from in some time are Hal and Joe, K2ITQ and K2ITP, who have both been studying madly and are continuing their studies at the present time. However, they wish to advise any and all concerned that they intend to protect their still-standing record (1958) for the VHF SS in January of '62. Joe tells us that a very helpful stunt in eliminating TV hash on the low end of 220 Mc., is to make the local oscillator injection chain end up on the high side of the signal frequency. Much less junk to contend with around 230-240 Mc. than there is around 210-220 Mc. Joe says they inject at 225 and tune 220/222 by tuning (backwards) from 5 to 3 Mc. Incidentally,

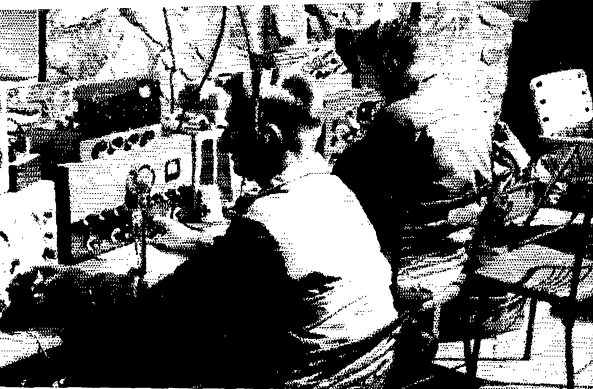


One of the very well-known, but very little seen, v.h.f.ers. WIAZK in New Hampshire.

the boys, Joe and Hal, favor the 221/222 Mc. portion to be used as "the band." 221.4 is used locally as the net frequency by the Mt. Airy VHF Club.

From a distant spot across the country W7IST, Allen, in Auburn, Washington will be listening and transmitting nightly whenever possible on 220 Mc. Transmitting frequency will be 223.425 Mc. At 0400 to 0140 GMT Allen will transmit and receive (he hopes!) in a southerly direction; from 0410 to 0420 southeasterly; from 0420 to 0430, easterly; from 0430 to 0440 northerly; he will listen from 220 to 225 Mc. and beginning the 1st of October operating time will be changed to 0500-0540. In East Petersburg, Pennsylvania (Box 73), W3JYL is still keeping skeds with K8VNY in Youngstown, Ohio on 220 Mc. Sked is held on Monday nights at 1030 EDST and anyone is welcome to join in, or to make different skeds with Tony on 220 Mc. Best time is evening or early morning. K4FLR tells us that on September 3 he heard K4KLD in Hoeshton and believes this to be the first 220-Mc. signal ever heard in Gainesville. You can see that there are still many, many "firsts" to be accomplished on the v.h.f.

From California WA6BFC sez "no skip on 220 Mc. but a lot of long distance line-of-sight." Another 6, this time K6KLY, sez that 220-Mc. activity in the San Leandro area is very low; Russ would like to hear from any 220-Mc. stations in the Bay Area and start a ragchew net on either 223.45 or 224.1 Mc. Russ also listed the following as stations active on 224.1 Mc. as of the June VHF Contest: K6QAX, W6ISO, K6HMK, W6YX, K6RNQ, W6NNS, W6GGV, W6GCG, W6GCG, K6DTR, W6ASH, W6OKR, W6GGV and K6LLK. W2SEU, Freeport, L.I., New York, wishes his 11 over 11 beams for 220 Mc. were not rotated via the armstrong method; it's quite wearing trying to peak up a signal when you're running in and out of the house to do it. (Ever use a rotator, Fred?) Fred's frequency is 220.361 and he's looking for contacts on week ends; will be running 100 watts with 5894 in the final. Word received from W2BYU/1 and K1JX reports that they got back on 220 and 432 Mc. just before the recent QSO party, and are now running 100 watts on 220 and 50 watts on 420 Mc., with bigger and better antennas on both bands. During the two weeks following the QSO party (not including the contest) they worked ten different stations in five different states. This came about through random CQing and mainly on Tuesday evenings. Stations included W1AJR (Rhode Island), W1WAS (Maine), W1VNH (Massachusetts). Activity in the Connecticut, New York and New Jersey areas seems to be lacking according to John, and just in case there is activity in those areas — K1JX calls CQ to the southwest at 2100 Tuesday evenings and any other evenings that conditions are good on two meters. Wednesday evening is 432 Mc. time in the Harvard, Mass., area (QTH of K2BVU/K1JX) and they have recently worked W1VNH and W1WAS on this band also. Look to the northeast when 144 Mc. is jumping. That's the word from K2BVU/K1JX. During



A portion of the setup at W1GB/1 Connecticut, during September contest. That's W1SBM on the left and K1HTV on the right.

the aurora-tropo opening of September 30-October 1, K1JX worked W3RUE on 220 direct at 0100. W3UJG and W3LCC in Maryland were also worked on 220 Mc. around 0900, John's wondering where the 220 and 432 Mc. boys in 2- and 3-land were during this opening. According to K2UR conditions have not been good on 432 Mc. so far this year, with only a few poor to fair openings; and during these openings — no activity. Bob sez that simple crystal mixers are doing fine business on 432 Mc. Most i.f. around 26-30 Mc. Wonder if K2UR knows that he is being heard on 432 Mc. by W1VNH and W1QWJ. From his new location just north of Schenectady, N.Y., Stan, W2BAH, sends a summary of his 220-Mc. activity from that QTH. Although his transmitter is capable of running 500 watts, Stan is presently running the rig at an input of about 175 watts, both phone and c.w., and his antenna is a ten-over-ten stacked  $\frac{1}{2}$  wavelength at a height of 50 feet. To date he has worked New York, Vermont, Massachusetts and New Hampshire, and farthest contact was with K1JX in Harvard, Massachusetts, a distance of 167 miles. In Norwood, New Jersey, Fred, WA2HFI is working on antennas; now has five elements on 220 Mc., 32 elements for two meters and a six-meter beam all ready to go atop a 40-foot tower. Report from Springfield, Massachusetts, and W1QWJ, sez that "during the September VHF Contest at 1950 hours, 432-Mc. transmissions were reflected off the sodium cloud. W1GB portable at Hampden, Connecticut went from an S6 to 10 db. above 9 for about a minute. Earlier W2LWI 2 reported that W1GB's 432-Mc. signal was 60 db. over 9. Down Texas way Leroy, W5AJG, sez "we have a pretty good circuit going now on 432 Mc. between Dallas and Wewoka, Oklahoma, a distance of about 200 miles or so. The station is W5HTZ and he has his paramp going pretty good. Just now going to work on my receiving end (August). Have mostly been furnishing him a signal for several weeks daily to allow him to get it in final shape. Now I need to start on my receiving gear. Using 2C40's at present but expect that they are not so hot. Also in this area we have W5SWV of Denison, Texas, now on 432 and K5JIG of Atlanta, Texas, on 432. K5JIG is located about 200 miles away, has transmitting gear but no receiving gear as yet, and W5SWV is in the same boat. Have heard both of them numerous times here in Dallas." This is news received several weeks ago, so there is a good chance that by the time you read this item there will be several more Texas stations both transmitting and receiving on 432 Mc., including the two just mentioned who were not as yet receiving. K3KLR in Allentown, Pennsylvania, is also ready for 432 Mc. Has both transmitter and receiver going with only a few bugs to iron out. Don is also thinking of readying equipment for 10,000 Mc. using a modulated oscillator. Another 6-lander back on 432 Mc. is Ken, K6HCP, who sez: "I am back on 432 Mc. with a 4X250B in a square sheet metal cavity. This cavity is much easier to build than the round cavities. It also has as much as 5 to 10% more efficiency than the round cavities. If anyone is interested, I will send them the construction drawings if they will send me a self-addressed envelope—1109 Norval Way, San Jose, California.

From Wewoka, Oklahoma and W5HTZ we hear that there was a good 432-Mc. opening the night of September 6,

when Merlin worked K9AAJ and W9AAG in Illinois, a distance of about 440 miles. He has also been running skeds with Leroy, W5AJG at Dallas, Texas, every morning, and the boys usually both get through with weak signals, a distance of about 175 miles. W5SWV at 100 miles puts in S9 signals most of the time on 432 Mc.; W5NTU has a 432 Mc. Converter going in Savoy, Texas; W5KFU in Dallas also has a converter going and copies me but no transmitter as yet." Looks like the 5-land boys are really getting with it. There seems to be a lot more activity on 1296 Mc. or thereabouts than most of the V.H.F. gang realizes, and we would like to give out with a few quotes from some of the letters received, just to let you know that there is a lot of work being done in that area. W5HTZ "I have been very interested in the moonbounce project for some time. I have completed my 1296 converter and also have the 1296 paramp almost completed. You mentioned in QST that the AN UPX4 would take 600 watts and deliver about 300 watts. I have secured one of these and plan to put it on 1296 Mc. There will be several of these transmitters in this area, (Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Texas)". K2UR: "Have worked W3ZFW, (Richboro, Pennsylvania) twice from here (Parlin, New Jersey) on 1296 Mc., both times 5-6 or better.

## 220- and 420-Mc. STANDINGS

220 Mc.				420 Mc.			
W1AJR	11	4	450	W9JCS	5	2	340
W1AZK	9	3	412	W9JEP	9	4	540
W1HDQ	11	5	450	W9OVL	6	3	475
K1JX	10	3		W9ZIH	5	5	500
W1OOP	12	4	400	K0DGU	5	3	425
W1RFU	15	5	480	K0ITP	6	3	515
W1UHE	1	1	385	KH6UK	1	1	2540
W2AOC	13	5	450	VE3ATK	7	4	450
K2ANX	8	3	230				
W2BAH	4	2	167				
K2CBA	13	6	650	W1AJR	10	4	410
K2DIG	4	3	140	W1HDQ	8	3	210
W2DWJ	15	6	740	W1MFT	6	3	170
W2DZA	12	5	410	W1OOP	11	3	390
K2ITP	11	5	265	W1RFU	7	4	410
K2ITQ	11	5	265	W1UHE	6	4	430
K2KTB	12	4	300	W2AOD	6	4	290
W2LRJ	10	4	250	W2ALV	12	5	360
W2LWI	12	4	400	K2CBA	5	3	225
W2NTV	12	5	300	W2DDT	6	3	200
K2PPZ	11	4	190	W2DWJ	10	4	196
K2QJQ	13	5	540	W2DZA	5	3	130
W2STU	4	2	150	K2KTB	12	4	300
K2TTR	4	3	105	W2NTV	12	5	100
W3AHQ	4	3	180	W2OTA	10	4	200
W3FEY	10	5	350	K2UR	7	3	175
W3JYL	8	4	295	K3CLK	9	4	
W3JZI	4	3	250	K3EOP	6	3	250
W3KRN	10	4	255	W3PEY	7	3	296
W3LCC	9	5	300	W3LCC	5	3	
W3LZD	15	5	425	W3RUE	2	2	96
W3RUE	9	5	450	W3UVG	6	6	4
W3UJG	13	5	400	W4HHLK	6	4	550
W3ZAB	4	4	112	W4VZT	7	3	430
K4TFU	8	1	400	W5HTZ	7	3	140
W4TLC	4	1	165	W5RCL	10	3	600
W4UYB	7	5	320	W6GTG	1	1	180
W5AJG	3	2	1050	W7LHT	2	1	180
W5RCL	8	5	700	W8HQC	3	2	355
K6HCP	2	1	240	W8RGC	4	2	255
W6MMU	2	2	225	W8JLQ	4	2	275
W6NLZ	3	2	2540	W8NRM	3	2	390
K7ICW	1	1	250	W8PT	5	3	310
K8AXD	10	5	1050	W8RQL	4	2	270
W8JG	9	5	475	W8TYP	7	4	580
W8LPD	6	4	480	W8TST	3	3	255
W8NRM	8	4	390	W9AAG	5	3	375
W8PT	10	5	660	K9AAJ	4	3	425
W88VI	6	4	520	W9GAB	9	4	608
W9AAG	9	4	660	W9OJT	6	3	330
W9EQC	11	5	740				

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Could probably work often but he, K3EH, K3JXC and a few others are spending most spare time building 1296-Mc. gear. (Welcome to the clan) W2DZA and K3CLK and another W2 in Rutherford, N.J., all show interest in 1296; the fellow in Rutherford has a converter but has failed to hear me to date." W1QWJ: "Transmitter running 8 watts output into 32-element extended collinear on 1296 Mc. S9+ results over 16-mile path." W1QKA: "W1DUB and myself have completed converters and partly completed paramps for 1296 Mc. Being heard across town on 1296 with W1DUB skeds, both using corner reflectors." K3ADS: "Presently converting an APX-6 for 1215 Mc. K3INJ is doing likewise." K2SCD: "Work has finally begun on a parametric amplifier for 1296 Mc." K8BGZ "W8OCK has converted an APX-6 for 1215 Mc., 10 more APX-6's have



been ordered by the local gang, myself included." K1LPL: "Activity has been started on 1296 Mc. in Providence area; anyone interested get in touch with K1LRP." Others interested in 1296 Mc. who are actively working on equipment for the band include W4VGL, K41QU, W8MOX, WA6GHV (who is also one of the few with equipment going on 10,000 Mc., W4UAR, W4HHK).

A letter received from K3CLK (just under the deadline) brings us to task for not having more about 432 Mc. in the column. Looks like we just barely beat him to the punch by trying to get a lot of such news in this month's column. It is difficult to pick and choose from the material sent in, particularly when there is very little sent in to us concerning that particular band. However, we will try to reform and give out with a little more info concerning 432 Mc. in the future, and for the present will impart a bit of the information sent us by Gene, K3CLK. "Let it be known," sez Gene, "that this band is 30 Mc. wide, any type of modulation can be used, a greater variety of circuitry can be used and tops for antenna experimenting. The advantages of the band outweighs the power limitation. DX can be worked!" In his area (Philadelphia, Pa.), there is activity on 432 Mc. every night and Gene gets on about 2100 and operates until 2300. Gene lists about thirty stations in Eastern Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Northern and Southern New Jersey, Long Island, New York, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Virginia, which he has worked on 432 Mc. during this past summer — all crystal controlled. Now for future reference, there are a few of the things that everyone is interested in about 432 Mc. Who's on — particularly in low activity areas. What's the use? Particularly any new, novel, or unusual equipment. Unusual distances covered regularly or on sked! Comparisons of this band with others (144 Mc., 220, etc.) as to regularity of contacts, distances, readability, etc. We take it for granted that if the gang on any of the v.h.f. bands does not send in information concerning that band, their activity, etc., that they are not interested enough to sit down and write — hence, not interested enough to read it if it were in the column. Send us the news, and we'll print it, or at least that portion of it which tends to be of most interest to all concerned. Another thing, we can always use good articles — send us that article you've been meaning to write, and if at all feasible it will appear in QST.

If you take the trouble to locate Yellowknife on the map (it's on the north shore of Great Slave Lake, about 250 miles below the Arctic Circle) you might get the idea that this is not much of a 6-meter location. It's a long way to anywhere for VE8BY, and it's some 1300 miles to Ice Station Arlis 11, in the Arctic Ocean north of Point Barrow, where KL7FLC is in business on 50.04 Mc. But VE8BY heard or worked KL7FLC 16 times on 12 different days from Sept. 3 to Oct. 15. Several of the "heard" reports were reception on the Sixer that VE8BY uses to check on the band while away from base. Reception is usually T9, and on a direct line, but multipath effects were observed Sept. 12 and Oct. 9. On the latter date there was a definite two-signal echo.

VE8EW and VE8CM, Whitehorse, Yukon, were worked Oct. 20. This is a 700-mile path, and EW was using a Sixer and a vertical dipole! VE8CM was worked during the September V.H.F. Party also.

Two-meter men will be glad to know that VE8BY is now running 100 watts, e.w., on 144.006 Mc., feeding a 10-over-10 array, during all 6-meter openings.

### 144 Mc.

Lou, W8NOH in Grand Rapids, Michigan sez that on September 8 he was hearing the beacon signal of W4HHK for 45 minutes on 144 Mc.; while K4EUS in Chester, Virginia reports that on September 9 at 2225 EST VE3DIR was 5-9-9, for a very short period. Sam sez that his best DX on 144 during the VHF Contest was W1MEH. On September 30 W1DUB, W1JSM and W1HUD were worked by K4EUS on aurora, then he worked W1JSM all over again on tropo. For the remainder of that evening Sam worked 1's and 2's on tropo between the aurora signals which he didn't have much luck contacting (the aurora, that is). On October 1 he worked W1AZK followed by W1VNH, K2SWZ, and W2KME. Hearing VE1CL Sam called him repeatedly on c.w. and after getting no reply switched to phone, whereupon VE1CL came back to him immediately. At 2255 that same night Sam collared W1COP in Maine for state #26 on 144 Mc. Signals were S6 and 7 with some QSB. Tony, VE3DIR,

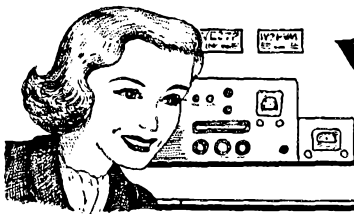
## 2-METER STANDINGS

W1REZ	32	8	1300	W5YYO	7	4	1330
W1AZZ	28	8	1205	W5UNH	6	3	1200
W1KCB	24	7	1150	W6WSQ	15	6	1390
W1RFU	24	7	1120	W6NLZ	12	5	2640
W1AJR	23	7	1130	W6DNG	9	5	1040
W1HDD	22	6	1020	W6AJF	6	3	800
W1MKN	21	7	1090	W6WJH	5	3	1400
W1EZY	20	7	1180	K6HMS	4	2	850
K1CRQ	19	6	800	K6FTG	4	2	800
W1AFO	18	6	920	W6MMU	3	2	950
K1AFR	17	5	450	K7HKD	13	5	1130
W2NLY	37	8	1390	W7JRG	12	4	1040
W2CXY	37	8	1360	W7JFE	37	8	1220
W2ORI	37	8	1320	W7CJM	5	2	870
W2QQI	33	8	1200	W7JJP	4	2	900
W3BLV	30	8	1020	W7UJ	4	2	235
W2AZL	29	8	1050	W8KAY	38	8	1245
K21EJ	27	8	1060	W8PP	34	9	1260
K2LHG	25	8	1160	W8SDJ	37	8	1220
W4AMJ	25	6	960	W8IFX	35	8	980
K2CEH	24	8	1200	W8SPG	34	8	1040
W2ALR	24	8	1100	W8LOP	33	8	1060
K2DWW	23	6	860	W8RMH	32	6	910
K2HOD	23	7	950	W8GTH	32	8	1180
W4WAG	23	6	753	W8BAX	32	8	980
W2RXG	22	8	1200	W8NOH	31	8	1090
W28MX	22	7	1090	W8SVI	30	8	1080
W2LWI	21	6	700	W8EHW	30	8	860
K2KIB	21	5	930	K8AXU	29	8	1050
W2BSX	21	6	750	W8LFD	29	8	850
W2RTH	19	7	880	W8WRN	28	8	680
W2WZL	19	7	1040	W8DX	26	8	720
W2RGV	19	8	720	W8RLC	25	8	800
K2RLG	17	6	980	W8JWV	25	8	940
W2GCH	3	3	140	W8VNM	25	8	900
W3RUE	33	8	1100	W8GFE	23	8	540
W3GKP	31	8	1180	W8LVC	23	7	680
W3SGA	31	8	1070	W8BLN	21	7	610
W3TDF	30	8	1125	W8GTR	17	7	550
W3KOA	28	8	1110	W8NRM	17	7	550
W3BYF	28	8	1070	W9KLR	41	9	1160
W3EJH	28	8	1000	W9WOK	40	9	1170
W3NNA	21	7	720	W9GAB	34	9	1075
W3NKM	20	7	730	W9AAG	33	8	1050
W2LZD	20	7	650	K9AAJ	31	8	1070
W4HJQ	38	8	1150	W9REM	31	8	859
W4EBK	37	9	1280	W9ZFL	30	8	830
W4XLL	34	8	950	W9PRB	29	8	800
W4LTU	34	8	1160	W9LVC	27	8	950
W4MEJ	33	8	1149	W9EQC	27	8	820
W4AO	30	8	1120	W9OJJ	27	8	910
W4VLA	26	8	1130	W9HZL	25	8	700
K4EUS	26	7	1130	W9BPV	25	7	1030
W4EQM	25	8	1040	K9AQV	24	7	900
W4ALB	25	8	930	W9LP	22	7	825
W4WNH	24	8	850	W9KPS	22	7	690
W4JCV	23	6	725	K9SGD	21	7	1100
W4VVE	22	6	720	W9CUX	21	7	800
W4RMU	21	7	1080	W9ALD	18	7	809
W4FLV	20	7	1000	W9BPP	17	6	1350
W4IKV	20	6	720	W9IHD	17	6	1030
W4OLK	20	6	720	W9SAJ	17	6	1075
W4RFR	18	9	820	W9LFE	28	7	1050
K4YUK	18	8	830	W9QDH	27	9	1300
W4LNG	18	7	1080	W9RUP	23	7	900
W4CPZ	18	6	650	W9POX	23	6	1150
K4VWH	18	6	590	W9INI	21	6	830
W4NDA	17	6	757	W9TGC	21	7	870
				W9RYG	20	8	925
				W9IC	19	7	1245
W5RCL	37	9	1245	W9AGT	18	7	1100
W5AJC	32	9	1360	W9JAS	18	6	1130
W5FYZ	29	9	1275	K9AQJ	16	6	1120
W5JWL	29	7	1150	W9IFS	16	6	1100
W5DFU	28	9	1370	VE3DIR	30	8	1330
W5PZ	27	8	1300	VE3AB	28	8	1340
W5LPG	25	7	1000	VE3BN	19	7	790
W5KTD	23	8	1200	VE3AQ	18	8	1300
W5ALL	16	5	700	VE3DE	17	8	1340
W5PSC	12	5	1390	VE3BW	17	7	1350
W5HEZ	12	5	1250	VE3HPB	14	6	715
W5SWW	12	4	745	VE2ABF	10	4	580
W5CVW	11	5	1180	VE2FJ	12	1	365
W5NDE	11	5	620				
W5RFU	11	4	1300				
W5VY	10	3	1200				
W5EDZ	8	5		KH6UK	1	22	2540

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was heard once again on September 16 by K1AII 5-7-9, but other than that Art sez that conditions were average during the contest. Down south, W4VTJ of Lantana, Florida, reports working K1AIB of Aiken, South Carolina on c.w. during the last week of September. Jay also reports exceptionally good meteor pings during that period. Extremely pronounced tropospheric bending reported by K1DRB on September 30 when he worked K3KFO and K2GOS 3. These same conditions mentioned by KN1RZL, who also heard 2's and 3's on the nights of September 30 and October 1. The night of September 6 was good at Seymour, Indiana on 144 Mc., and Adah, W9RTH, took advantage

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# YL NEWS AND VIEWS

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## YL IS FOR YOUNG LADY

YL is for WHAT? Young Lady? That's a misnomer if there ever was one. She's fifty if she's a day.

Sssssssh — don't let her hear you. She's proud of the fact that she's a YL. She worked hard for the privilege. For years she fought the thing and was just a disgruntled XYL.

XYL? What's THAT? How could she be an ex-YL before she was a YL?

An XYL is the unlicensed wife of a licensed ham. Just between us, it doesn't add up to me either. Like mature skin, it's just one of those things we have to accept.

Wait a minute. Some YLs I've heard on the air must be XYLs too. At least they seem to have husbands lurking in the background. A YL can be an XYL and an XYL can be a YL? I'm confused.

You along with some 250,000 other hams too. You just have to develop a sixth sense about it all.

How did this merry-go-round get started anyway?

No one knows exactly, but in the early days the male ham operator referred to his girl friend sitting by in the radio shack as his "young lady" — abbreviated by c.w. operators to "YL". A wedding band, it was generally concluded, transformed a YL into an ex-young lady or "XYL". There were so few women hams then that they were virtually unheard of. Came a heavier influx of the fair sex into the hobby as licensed operators in their own right, and the terms YL and XYL were really shuffled around. Perhaps deep down no one cared that much anyway. The most impor-

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tant thing to a YL was that she had her very own license. It wasn't worth developing a psychosis over what she was called.

You mean there are really no fine points of distinction after all?

Well, yes and no.

That's a nice general, illogical, evasive, feminine conclusion.

In 1939 Ethel Smith, W7FWB, aired her famous query in QST, beseeching women hams everywhere to make themselves known. The girls who stepped forth and made their declaration as bona fide hams decided to unite, and the Young Ladies Radio League was formed. Right from the start members of the YLRL were always referred to as YLs by themselves and by everyone else. This identification was just taken for granted. But, of course, some of these YLs are XYLs too — not all of them, though.

So, we're right back where we started?

As a mere man, can you suggest a solution?

Well, if the male operator is referred to as "Old Man" why not the female operator as —

Not on your life! You could alienate the affections of all YLs everywhere for all time with that one.

What about "Old Girl"?

Let's renew a basic premise. Regardless of calendar years we like to think of ourselves as eternally young, so please delete the word "old" from all further suggestions.

"Woman Operator?"

How unimaginative.

"Lady Ham?"

Better but not too chic.

"Hamess?"

It sounds like a disease.

"Hamette?"

Say — that may have possibilities. "Hamette!" "Hamette!" "CQ Hamette!" I don't know though. We're so used to YL.

I give up, madam ham.

Don't take it so hard. Leave it to the individual YL anyway. She'll handle the situation in the way she wants. Perhaps the one subject about which a woman is most discreet is her age. If she's a young, young YL, she'll announce her age with pristine innocence — along with her school grade. If she's under 25, she usually will feel at liberty to divulge her age, marital and occupational status. If she's between 25 and 45, she may casually mention the age of her children. If she's over 45, the QSO may leak reference to grandchildren. Somewhere after 60 the pendulum





Fifty-two YLs enjoyed the 11th Midwest YL Convention at Chicago sponsored by the Ladies Amateur Radio Klub. We won't identify the girls individually, but maybe you can recognize familiar faces.



Early-riser Martha Burns, K4NHM, of Decatur, Georgia, looks for 40-meter c.w. contacts everyday between five and six A.M.! Licensed in Sept. '60 as a Novice and in April '61 as a General Class licensee, Martha became interested in the hobby after she had an opportunity to talk to her son at Okinawa via ham radio. Photo via W4URL.



Do pre-school children keep you from getting on the air? Dottie Cohen, WV2RPN, of Oceanside, N. Y. has three, ages 1, 3, and 4, but she takes time daily for a "ham break." The XYL of WV2RPC, Dottie uses a DX-20 and an SX-101A.



Midwest YL Convention chairman Bernice Schmidt, W9SJR, uses the specially assigned call W9YL for a convention contact, while Mary Koctur, K9BWJ, logs. Lending moral support are l. to r. W9YWH, K9IVG, W9AYX, W8MHE, W9LRT, W4DEV, W8ATB, and K9UXV. (Photo courtesy Chicago Tribune)

swings back, the age may be revealed with considerable pride, perhaps as an inspiration to others to make the grade, too.

Yes, Mam. Well—in any event, “Vive la difference”! And if you will excuse me, I just remembered a sked coming up with an operator—specie, female.

#### Novice WAC Record?

Kitt Carr, KN7QNN, of Las Vegas, Nevada, may have set a novice record for WAC on 40 meters. On Sept. 16 between 1600 and 1800 PDST Kitt worked all continents. Operating on 7150 kc., Kitt used only 75 watts to a folded dipole antenna. (Info via K7KBN).

#### CLUB NEWS

**Portland Roses**—As hostess YL club for the 1962 ARRL National Convention in Portland next Labor Day week end, the club anticipates a very busy session ahead. Watch for convention news notes in later issues. New club officers are Pres. Bettie Mayer, K7BED; V.P. and Treas. Lillian Pullen, W7GRC; Secy. Dec Wilson, W7ZKY; Pub. Chmn. Beverly Welker, W7HPT.

**WRONE**—The new officers for '62 are Pres. Mary Hadley, K1ADY; V.P. Edie McCracken, K1EKO; Secy. Treas. Edith Shaughnessy, W1ZJS; Net Membership Chairman Virginia Powell, K1LCI; Hospitality Mary McLam, K1ICW.

**W4FLARC**—New officers elected at the Sept. meeting are Pres. W3TSC; V.P. K4EAM; Secy. W4TVT; Treas. K4BNG.

**N.Y.C. YLRL**—On Oct. 7 the club held a special luncheon at The Three Crowns Restaurant in N.Y.C. in honor of visiting DX YLs Denise, VK1YL, and Susan, VQ2WZ. Club members and guests present included K2s ETC, JYZ, MGE, OTW; W2s EEO, IQP, JZX, OWL, QWL, TBU, TEX; WA2s FQX, GPT, HTI, W1ZEN, W1ZJS, and associate member Helen Zupara.

#### Revised Certificate Rules

K5GBX, Custodian of the YL-OM Certificate issued by the Texas YL Round-Up Net, announces a revision of the certificate rules as follows:

Contact must be made with 25 licensed, paid-up members of the TYLRUN. All contacts must be made by the contestant from the same location, under the same call, over any period of years providing that the YL was a full member of the net at the time of contact.

Each net member has been certificated with a net certificate on which there is a number and date of issuance. The 25 QSLs submitted must bear the member's membership certificate number on the QSL.

Contact made during any regular net meeting will not count.

QSLs sent to the custodian by first class mail must be accompanied by list of claimed contacts, including call, full name of operator, certificate number, date of contact, time, and band—arrange alphabetically by call. Sufficient postage must be sent to finance their return by first class mail, plus 10c to cover cost of mailing certificate. QSLs and list should be sent to Custodian Bernell Johnson, K5GBX, 1822 S.W. 3rd St., Grand Prairie, Texas. Decisions of the Custodian regarding interpretations of the rules shall be final.

An endorsement sticker will be awarded for each additional 25 confirmations of contacts.

Any challengers for W6P1R's claim to be the “Youngest Female Amateur Radio Operator who is a Postmaster”? Newly-appointed Postmaster of the U. S. P.O. at Alamo, California, Mary Gwynne, W6P1R, thinks she may be the *only* YL Postmaster or Postmistress in this country, hence her “claim”. (The new Postmistress didn't reveal her age, so any possible YL contenders please discreetly contact W6P1R direct.)

#### Strays

We have an interesting account of a field day in Bermuda, sent us by W2YCX. In Bermuda you can't start setting up more than two hours prior to the start of the operating portion of the field day. If it takes you longer than two hours to get set up, you have to take the time from the operating portion of the week end. Not a bad rule!

Available without charge from the Champion Spark Plug Co., Technical Services Department, Toledo 1, Ohio, is a 16-page booklet dealing with the suppression of ignition noise in order to improve mobile radio reception. It's chock-full of pointers, and well worth writing for.



# How's DX?



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## When:

In 1936, a quarter of a century ago, a noisy little monster violated the pact of Locarno and ordered German troops to reoccupy the Rhineland. . . . Another clownish bully drove Emperor Haile Selassie into exile and annexed Ethiopia to the Italian empire. . . . Devastating Ohio Valley floods killed hundreds and rendered nearly half a million homeless (incidentally providing amateur radio with one of its most dramatic emergency roles). . . . Dispatches filed by a young author-adventurer named Hemingway told that Spain's civil war reached a climax in the bloody siege of Madrid. . . . The "greatest love story" saw Britain's Prince of Wales become King Edward VIII, then abdicate his throne for eventual marriage to a Mrs. Simpson (even Hollywood gasped at such an *outré* plot). . . .

Yes, '36 was a lively year for the world at large; it was also eventful for the world of DX. That year's December *QST* presented a modest new column heading for the approval of readers, a collection of DX notes hitherto sprinkled throughout the magazine, over the signature of ARRL staffman and well known DXer WIJPE. It caught on and hung around. By Goodman eventually changed his call to W1DX but that column title remains the same, along with its basic How-What-When-Where format. By's opening effort so long ago is breezy reading today:

"Is W1AAK the first W1 to complete a 28-Mc. phone WAC? He made it in October. . . . U3AG, Moscow, needs Vermont and Kentucky for WAS. Look around 14,420 kc. OA4AB needs Utah and South Dakota. . . . W9VKF submitted cards [for WAC] averaging an S7 report although his final boasts only a pair of 46s." Hey, that W9VKF guy — why, that's Pete Morrow, now W1VG, an ARRL Hq. veteran and still chasing DX. In fact, many of the contributors to that first column still prow! the kilocycles for rare ones. Recognize any of these fellows? W1s DUK KH SZ WV, W2s BSR IOP JXH, W3s BES FHY ZX, W4s AUU CXX, W5FIO, W6s AC CUH GPB JN MCQ, W7s AHX ETK, W8s CHO IWI JK KXX LIR, W9s PNE RBI and VPG. Sure you do! As for the DX mentioned, many an oldtimer still treasures yellowing QSLs from ES5C, FB8AB, FT4AB, FR8VX, Js 2KJ 2LL 3CR 5CC, KAs AP BH MD, PKs 1AX 3ST 6AK, SU1SG, U9AZ, UN2A, VSs 1AA 8AA, YR5VC, ZTs 2B 6M, ZUs 1C and 6P.

Alas — historical perspective, one of the attributes that separate man from brute, is hard to maintain. This is especially true for hams because we're so doggoned QRL. In addition to

our routine bread-and-butter pursuits we're blessed with the busiest and most intriguing of hobbies. But we pause long enough this month to call your attention to a silver DX anniversary, the 25th birthday of "How's DX?". With your continued help and encouragement we'll reach the 50th in no time at all.

## What:

Another commemorative date well worth note in this DX corner: On a chilly December 12th, sixty years ago, one G. Marconi raised a kite antenna near St. John's, Newfoundland, and pulled in the historic letter "S" sent across the Atlantic by a 25-kw. spark at Polduh, Cornwall. Now we hams can do it with a handful of watts and mama's clothesline, but it's still a thrill. So much so that Jeeves's mailbag, as usual, is crammed with commentary on this QSO, that QSO, and the ones that got away. . . .

**10 phone** performs according to expectations of K1HTV, WA2OBN, K3JQ, W4LJV, K1KSY, K6ROU, WA6s DNM IVM, K8JCB, K9QMJ, K9RNK, EL4s A and YL who report plenty of 28-Mc. action by GRs 6JL 7CF 7CK, CTs AP VA, CX1FL, EA8CK, H18DGH, HK6AI, HI1FA, JAs 1FKY IGDN, KB6CB, KP4s AOO AOW, KR6LY, KZ5WE, gobs of LU-PY friends, PJs 2AP 3AD (28,455 kc.) 1G00 GMIT, TI2PT, VKs 2ADE 3ANQ 4EP, VPs 2LA (478) 16, 5RL (s.s.b.), 5EM 6AM, VOs 2JAI (480 s.s.b.) 16, 2MS 4DW 4HX, VR2BC, YN4CB, ZEs 2JA 7JV, a flock of New Zealanders, ZSs 3AH 7L (328) 17, 9G, 4X4FR, 5A5TA and 5N2AMS (315) 18. K4KSY remarks, "Some Africa signals off rotary beams seem quick to fade out but the rhombic of VQ4HX stays in solid for hours at a time. Advice to 10-meter Africa-hunters: Point your beams east on week ends and keep tuning."

**10 c.w.**, also a week-end diversion these days, keeps K3ILC, K6CJF, WA6s DNM IVM and EL4A busy with CX2BT, DJ4XQ, F8IH, HB9IK, VKs 2ADE 2APK 2GW 2QL 4XJ, XE1OK, ZLs 1AH 1AMO 1NG 2RC, 289 2DD 17 and 6BCT 16. The propagational ice is getting thinn, all right.

**15 phone** entertains many a former 28-Mc. buff and the fishing's great, according to K1s HTV MOD, WA2s FQG IKL KMY KWB OBN OGC SLB, K3KIK, W4LJV, K4s IKV KSY, K5FKD, K6ROU, WA6s DNM IVM ORS, K8s JCB OKM, K9s BFR QMJ, K9s JPL RNK, EL4s A and YL. The catch: GE-3 BG 3NI 6AC 23, CRs 6AK 6DU, CT1JJ, EL2U, GD3UB, HH2s GR R RS,



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H18DGH, H1P's 11B 6MA, HR's 1FO 21A (s.s.b.), HVICN, HZ1AB (s.s.b.), JA's 1ADD 1CON 2AVO 2BEK 3BAM 4C1 6AFO 7ULU 9SU all between 1 and 5 GMT, KA2HO, KB6BS, KG's 4AN 6NAA (s.s.b.), KR6s HY 1, JG 2, NG 13, KV4BY, KW6DF (s.s.b.), KZ5TB (330) 23, LX1s, BC BG, OD5CU (230) 19, OE1ES (s.s.b.) 13, OX3DL, PJ's 2AQ 3AI, PZ1s BA, BE (251) 19, OD 23, QV1AH, T1s 2AB 5RV, TT8AD, VK9NW, VP's 2AR 2DQ 2GW 2LA 2LS 3RW 4NC 5AK 5BB 5BH (s.s.b.), 5LG 8DW, VO2s JM VJ (240), VR2BC, quite a few XEs, YN4DWN, YV's AG1M AYB 0, ZB1FA, ZE2JA, ZD7SE, 4X4s FF J8, 5A3TQ, 5N2AMS (242) 17, 9M2FX (210) 15 and 9Q5EB.

**15** c.w. is hospitable to K1s HTV JFF MOD, W2WVG. WA2s FQG (117/98 countries claimed worked/confirmed), 1KL KML KWB LDC OBN OGK (31/9), QMJ SLB, K3s CUI1LC (70/43), KHK, K4s 1KV KSY WVT, K5s CWR FKD FPU JHW, W6s KCV WAW, K6s CJP, ROU STZ, W7s A6s DNM (42/36), IVM ORS, W7FOU, W8YGR, K8s JCB OKM, K9BR, K8s JPL RNK, EL4s and VE7BB, jeckerously surprising QSOs with C1s 1AD 20F 3RC, CO1E (34) 23, CRs 6DA (35) 20, 71Z CTs IGE HX, ITT 241, DM3s VI, PVLVVL, EA6AM, EL4YL, FA's 2VT 8TT, FB8ZZ, G3s G1Q GPE and OMV all/V89, GC2PM, HA's 1KSA 0DA, HGIAGI, HR2AT, HZ1AB, JA's IANO IBWA ICE ICON 1DZ 2AXP 3AF 3BD0 23, 3IW 3KE 4DZ 5AD 6AKW 7RH 8AHX 8BY 8YF, K7DRK/701, KA2MA, KG's 1AA 1FD (25) 14, 4AN 6AJ5, KW6s DF DG, KZ5TD, LU1ZL (45) 22 Ellsworth, LZ1s KPZ KSP, OAJJH, OE8SH (71) 19, PJ3AN, PZ1BH 23, SW6s WG WZ/Crote (30) 15, T12LA 22, TN8AU (20) 16, UAs 2KAA 0GF (58) 23, 0EH (56) 0, OKFG (18) 0, 0LL, UB5s FG (3) 15-19, JX KAD, UC2BB, UP2s KBC KNP (35) 17, UOZAN, VK9GP (35), VP's 4TR 5BH (42) 18, 5GT 5MJ (22) 18, 6AF, VO2s 2MS 2VJ 3HD 51B (45) 19, 5IG 8BC, YR1B, VS9MB, VU2JA, WG6ALD, WH6ECU, WP4s RAF BCX, XE1AX, XZ2BB, YN3KM, YO's 6XI 14, 8CF, YV4DV, ZB1s HC (60) 20, OKV, ZC4PB, Z66JY, ZP's 5BC 9AY, 4S7RN, 4X4s II (20) 18, MH 9J, 5As 2TC 3TQ, 5R8AD, 6W8BL (43) 20-21, 5U7AC (58) 23, 7G1A, 9K2AD (10) 16, 9Q5PW (43) 20 and 9U5MC.

**15** Novice DX is a lively topic once again. WV2s RQZ TJT, WV6SBO, KN8ZTP and WN0AEY await decorative wallpaper from DJs 2KS 7AB, DLs 1IB 4EL 4VO 5HT all between 17 and 20 GMT, EA7JW, F8FC 21, G2FFV 21, HB9s ABI AC IC, HK7YB 22, JA's 1ALZ 1BFF 1BWA 1COU 1CPZ 1CWM 1HEJ 4IO 5KF 6AKW 7KF 7LK 7OJ 7RH 8AF 8AH 8YF, KA2MA, KL7AIZ, KH6EFO, KX6BU, KZ5SW, LUBNA, OA's AA 23, BP 2, OK1SV 15, OZ6HS, PY's 1RG 2FY 4AUN 4EY 0-1, PZ1BH 22, SM6AOQ, SP9RF, UAs 2KAA 16, 3SE 1, 3SS 0KIG 1, 0LL 2, VE8BC 2, VKs 2APK 23, 2PX 22, 3RJ 3, 3XB 2, 1DQ 2, 5NQ 2, VO1DJ 19, VS6EC 0, WP4AYP, YN4AN, YV4IB, ZC4FB 16, ZL1s AJ 2, LE 3 and 5A3CAD. The frosh are doing well!

**40** c.w. sounds more like 20 every night, and many a complacent tag-chewer finds himself swamped by a sudden pile-up of DX hunters. Forty-meter fans K1s JFF

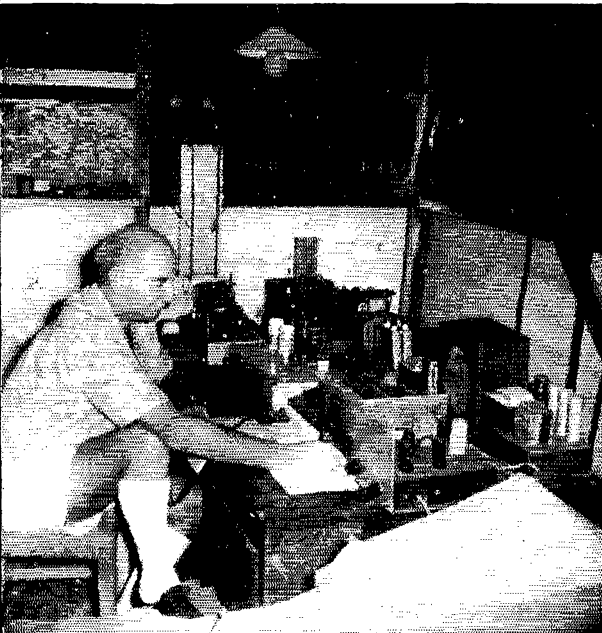
HTV MOD, WA2s KWB LDC, K3s 1LC KHK, K4WVT, K5s CWR UMC, W6s MDR KCV WAW, K6s GHF ROU, W7s 1VM NNJ (35 countries on 40), W7s DJU LZP POU, W8YGR, W9JIN, W9PAM (79 on 7 Mc.), EL4s A and YL are having a kite-fall ball with CE1s AD 1DN NG, GM8RM, CO2PY, CX10P, DU75V, EL4s A and YL 1-2, FG7X1, HA's 1KSA 4, 3KGC 5AT 5KZD, HG1s CE JU 0-1, H18DGH 14, HK's 1UC 1GF 1QQ 2ADF 3AH 7YB 7YC 3, HM4AQ, HP1IE, JA1s BCF CBE CUN CZG EC EMO EZK FYH FT (GBC GCA GDN GNX GTZ GX4 HVE IAM ISH JE YZ, JA2s ANS ASM AXB AXF BAA (YL), BDY BFZ BVS CA, JA3s AQN AUZ BJZ BQH CCX WU, no JA4s reported, JA5s ADR AFH/MM FQ TX VK YAK, JA6s AGS AHV/mm ACW ANX BCM YE, JA7s AFN LK NQ, JA8s ABE ADQ 4EA AFE AHL BE, JA9VH, JA9s ACO AIC AK, KA2KS 13, KG1s GD FD FR 7, KM6BI 0, KV4s CE CI/mm, KR6NG, KZ5s in quantity, Antarctica's LU1ZL (6) 23-0, LZ1KSV, M1HD, OA2C, OE7FW (5) 5-6, sufficient PYs, PZ1AY, Sweden's SL5ZL, SP's 2KAE 2UN 2WT 8MJ 8WJ 9YV, SV1SM/man, T12WR, UA0s CX GL KKC LJ LL LU, many UB5s, UW3GQ, VE8s CD DU 2-3, NR, VKs 7MZ 7ZZ 9GP 0VK (26) 10-11, VP's 2LD 2VL 3ER 5BII (10) 3, 5MJ 6AF 7NQ 9BD 0, 9BL 0, 9BV 1-2, 91C 18, 9ZS 2DK 31, VO3HD, VS1GZ, a half dozen XEs, YN3KM, a tistful of YUs and YVs, ZB2AD, ZE3JJ, ZS3HX, more ZLs and ZSs than we can list, 5A3TQ and 6W8BL. It's just as W6NNJ says: "Boy, this looks like a promising season for 40 meters! Quite a difference in band conditions this year, a lot better. Good openings to Europe from Six-land, some line 58-59 signals coming through."

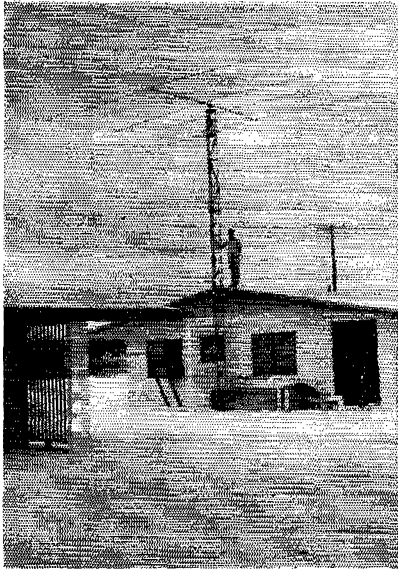
**40** phone is even catching the spirit, K1HTV, W9YGT and W2PAM capturing H18DGH (205) 7, HK2WO, HR3HH\*, HZ1AB\*, KH6s GF\*GG\*, LU1ZL\*, VK\*2AXK (97) 9, 3DQ (101) 9, XE1UV, ZL3s PD (100) 6 and LE\*, the asterisks meaning single-sideband stalwarts.

**80** c.w. grudgingly gives DX ground under the stubborn wrings of K1HTV, K3ELK, WA6IVM, W7DJU, W8s EZX 4, YGR, W9JIN, K6JPL, EL4s A and YL. In addition to the usual European crowd, activity was registered by HK3AH, JA3ANI 14, KL7IR, KP4XU, YP's 5BH (6) 4, 7NQ (5) 23, UA0ZB, W4CA/KH6 and some VK-ZLs. Atrocious atmospherics scored some unseasonal echoes as autumn waned toward winter up our way. . . . On 75 phone K1HTV reports resounding radiations by G2PU and YV5ANS.

**20** phone, where single-sideband rules the roost, is the subject of reports from K1HTV, W2WVG, K2s 1EG TDI UYG, WA2s 1KL KMY OBN, K3KHK, W4s LJV IJO, K5FKD, K6ROU, W6GIVM, W8KML, K8CJB, W9YMZ, K9QMJ, K6JPL, VE3PV, and EL4s, particularly concerning the 15-Mc. voice ventures of CE2AR (332), GN8s FU (282) 22, 1K (306), 1F, CRs 6CA (346), 9AH, DU75V, EA6AZ (278) 22, G33LX (320) 22, GD3ENK (334), H1E\*P HK2YO (311) 12, HP3DA (319) 12, HR2DK (326), H5S0SQ (306), HVICN (300) 21, HZ1AB (334) 3, JA6FO 3, K6CQV/KS6 (20), KA's 2EB 2KS 2USA 8CK 8DM, KC4USN (269) 0, KG's 1AA 1BAI 1FR (330) 19, 4AE 4AO 4AP, KR6s DO GF GP IV LZ MB, KV4BY,

ZK1s AK and AR of Aitutaki, left and right, account for the lion's share of Cook Islands DX traffic these days. Norm, the former, now closes down his 20-c.w. 807s and 829Bs transmitters for return to New Zealand. You may also remember him as the 1948-'51 ZM6AK. Colleague ZK1AR will continue active with a sturdy 6146 modulated by 807s, Eddystone receiver and associated operating aids. Norm and Trevor, Civil Aviation radiomen, sign ZL1s FT and UY, respectively, when home in New Zealand. (Photos via W1DGL)





KW6s DF and DG (inset), OM Bob and son Layne, have scored more than 14,000 contacts since firing up on Wake Island in August of 1960. Their HT-32A, HT-33A, HQ-170, TH-4 rotary and sloped dipoles are ever ready for DX action on 10 through 80 meters. Though accommodating swarms of W/K/VE callers, KW6s DF and DG have managed to accumulate over 130 countries on c.w., nearly a hundred on phone. They formerly signed KOs TFP and SLD, so they know what it's like to hunger for rare ones, and they know how vital it is for a rare DX installation to maintain a reputable QSL policy.

MP4s BBL 21, BBW (330) 16, OA4BR (336), OY7ML (306), PJ2AA, SP5PO (340) 21, SV1s AP (321), AR (310) 19, TF2s WFX (300) 16, WGB (300) 21, TI2s CHV (320), HD (334), TN8AT, UAs 3CG (300) 14, 3CR (345), 31R (323) 12, 3FG (347), 9DT (300) 13, 0BP (290), UB5s UG (340) 17, UN (344), UR2AR (317) 12, VEs 3BQL/SU 8MC (347) 1, 8MS (209) 4, VK9NW, VPs IWA 2AB 2DA 5BH (305), 5BL 5LG 9AM, VOs 2AB (315), 2AC 3GX (305), VR4CB, VS9s AAC (333), ADH (315), KGA KPH, YN1CI, YS1MS (314) 22, YU1AD (318) 14, ZB1A (282) 22, ZD7SE (130) 23, ZS7P (316), 5A4TC, 5N2AMS (327), 9G1BU (300) 21, 9K2AM (317) 19 and 9M2FX, almost all of these callers supporting their carriers and one or the other sideband.

**20** c.w., as they redundantly say, needs no introduction. Especially to K1s HTV JFF (95/86), MOD (142/117), W2WVG, K2UYG, WA2s IKL KMY (119/103), KWB (65/35), LDC OBN SLB (14/3), K3s KHK KMO MNJ, W1UO, K4WVT, K5s CWR (22/16), FKD, W6s MDK (155/151), RCV WAW, K6s CJF ROU (132/106), STZ, WA61VM, W7s DJU LZF POU (83/71), W8s KML KX (214/203), YGR, K8s JCB (159/139), OKM, W9s JIN KCR, K9s LIO QMJ, K0s JPL RNK, VEs 3PV 7BBB, EL1s A and YL, who give us the goods on AC5PN (70) 13, AP5CR, BV1US, CE5 9AS AD (45), CN8LK (32), CO5 2AP 2WD 3WU 7AH, CR5 6CA 7IZ (72) 19, DM5 2BCN 3PVL 3VEN, DU7SV, EAs 8HF 9AY 0AC, EP2BB, FAs 8CR (6), 9AT, FB8s WU XX ZX, FO8s AC (98) 16, AK (18), AQ, FY7YL, GBSLY of England, GC2FMV, GD3CA (39), HAKSO, HB1s FD PF of Switzerland, HC5 1LE 2CB, HH2s CB CE OT, HKs zalore, HM1AJ, HP1IE (75) 22, HR2FG, HZ1AB (50) 23, IS1ZU (40) 22, IT1TAI, JAs 1CG ICJN, IJ1J 410 7WB 8HH 8LG 8XP 9AQ 9BD, KA2s AO KM MA VO, K6s 1BM 1BO 1GD 6AIG (90), 6AJS, KH6EDY (90) 16 of Kure, KJ6BV, KM6CU, KR6s KS LJ (9) 12, LY MS, KV4AA (82) 21-22, KW6s DG DM, far-south LUs IZL IZO (22) 2, ZZO 4ZM, sundry LZs, MP4QAQ (11) 23-0, OX3s DL (20) 17, NK, OY5 7ML (20) 21, 8R, PJ3AD, PV7LJ (5) 23-0, FZ1s AP, BF, SV9s WB WC WI (51) 20, WN (90) 22, WO (30), TEs AL (45), DL PZ, TU2AL, UAs 1KAE 1KAE/G 1KED of F.I.L., 2BD (31), 22, 9CC 9DN 9DS 9FX (20) 3, 9PJ 9JH 9KAG 9KID 9KOG 9MC 9VE (82) 13, 0AZ 0BP 0EK 0EV (50) 4, 0JB 0KCA 0KOC 0KCF 0KU 0L 0LL 0OM 0VE, UB5s FY HC KAB KND KNF KNH TO, UC2s AR CS KAA, UD6s BE GF, UH8s BA BI BO, UL7FA, UN1AE, UO5AA (41) 20, UP2KNP (69), UQ2s DB FF KAE, UR2s BV KAE KAT, UT5s BX CC, UW9AC, VE8s DN DE (76), VO2AC, VEs 9GP 9FZ 0JB 0TC 0VK, VPs 3MC 4VI (77), 5BF (40) 3, 5BH 5BK 5MJ 6LN 7CB 7NQ 8CW 8EG (50) 1, 8FV 9EP 9QQ, VOZEV, VRs 2BZ (60), 2DK 3L (50), 4CV (50), XT2A (2) 18-0, XZ2TH, YN3KM, YS1O (75), scads of YVs, ZB2s AD (5), I 21, ZC4s CS TV (24), ZDs 6RM (24) 13, 7SE (55) 23, ZEs 2JS 8JJ, ZK1AR, ZP5CF (22), ZSs 3EW 7M, 4X4s BS HC JO KK (30) 21, KP, 5A3s CAD CAN (48) 20, 5N2s HJKO (24), IND (31) 21, LKZ (37) 22, RSB (91) 21, 5R8CC, 6W8BL, 5U7AC, 7G1A (50) 20 and 9G1DE (82) 19-20. Got 'em all? Confirmed?

**160** c.w. stirrings, a sure harbinger of winter, crop up in this month's Jovesian mailsack. Ks 1KSH and 4KSY document the phone and c.w. manifestations of

DXpeditioners FP8s AS and BV, for one thing. For another WIBB, Mr. 160 Meters himself, comes through with the customary considerations concerning the annual Transatlantic and World-wide 160-meter DX Tests. Between 0500 and 0730 GMT on December 3rd and 17th, January 7th and 21st, February 4th and 18th, your concentrated efforts are invited in a search for 1.8-Mc. brethren far away. Stew exhorts, "DX on 160 is challenging and extremely interesting. Surmounting static, BC harmonics, Ioran, etc., requires great patience and perseverance, as well as a top-notch station and operating ability. There are many 'firsts' yet to be made, many unusual propagation conditions to observe. So join in the fun—get those long-wires up high and strong for the winter storms, check your receivers and transmitters for best performance, and store up a little extra rest for those few small hours when 160 is at its best!" A glance through last season's developments as reported in this rubric will help get you in the 1.8-Mc. mood. WIBB and "How's DX?" will look forward to hearing from you on the subject—good hunting!

### Where:

**Asia**—TA2AR, claiming status as Turkey's only licensed amateur, QSLs via bureau unless supplied International Reply Coupons and self-addressed envelopes. VERON's *DXpress* reports Firm hopeful that more legitimate TAs will soon be active. . . . FEARL(M) *News* warns that your QSL may be a disappointment if you fail to (1) identify the emission used, (2) clearly define your location, and (3) use Greenwich Mean Time reference. The KA bureau receives cards for such FEARL nonmembers as KAs 2JR 2KW 2RB 2RR 5MC 7CP 8AB 8CS 8DD 8JR 9CG and 9JG which cannot be forwarded. It's a members-only arrangement similar to that of many other overseas QSL bureaus, so make sure your KA contacts are qualified for such service. Your ARRL QSL Bureau is available to ARRL members and nonmembers alike but this setup is no universal rule. . . . "I have been acting as KA2YA QSL manager for the last six months," writes WA6BKQ from Japan, Yakota A.R.C. secretary. "We have replied to all cards received. Some cards were sent out via bureau, so anyone still missing a deserved KA2YA QSL should check his local bureau. By the way, the mailing address of this station has changed several times in past years. Cards are received okay via FEARL but direct mail is sprier." . . . Despite a shakedown of thousands of W/K/VE QSLs, Bill of VS9MB tells K1MOD that the Gan island gang still is game for 100-per-cent card swappage. . . . WGDXC understands that WB8F has HM 1A QSL logs dating to September 11, 1961, with promise of regular future delivery.

**Africa**—"After being steamed into action by various opinions passed through the usual channels, I would like to make clear some points on QSLing," pens 5N2LKZ. "As you may expect, I send cards only to those stations who have sent me theirs and have requested mine. Cards received direct without IRCs will be replied to through the bureaus. To illustrate the possible time involved, it takes four months by sea mail from, say, W6/K6, up to two months from W2/K2, etc. Thus cards sent via bureau are likely to take six or eight months before receipt, and the bureau route both ways will take twice as long." Yes, relax,

OM — a year or so isn't bad for some channels. If you *must* hold your breath, deal only direct with proper postage defrayal. . . . VR1B, who will close down for a six-month leave in March, tells K2UYG he wants QSLs only via VK2EG. . . . WGDXC's *DX Bulletin* points out that the 5R8 label used by the Malagasy Republic (Madagascar) does not apply to other FB8 areas such as the Comoros (F1H8), Glorieuses, Tromelin, Crozet, Amsterdam, Terre Adelle, etc. . . . After the first of the year your QSL to EL4s A and YL won't rate reply unless you use GMIT. Ken & Co. urge you to *write out* the month in QSO dates to eliminate confusion, for 10/2/61 means February 10, 1961, in much of the world, October 2, 1961, in many other regions. . . . Further from EL4A, "Harbel Amateur Radio Club announces that as of January 1, 1962, they can no longer accept QSLs for all of Liberia. Anyone lacking the address of a legitimate EL station can send his card to me, and I'll forward it if at all possible." . . . VE3BQL/SU told "Chuck of W1AW, "As soon as my QSL stock arrives I already have six weeks of operation to catch up on."

**Oceania** — "Pass the word along that the first VK9RR, Papua, logs have arrived," notifies W2CTN, DX QSL manager de luxe. "They date from June 23, 1961." . . . "Thanks to K2KGG and W4ML I have some new logs from VK0VK," reports W1AGS (ex-K2QXG). Mac's new address is P.O. Box 1145, Weston, Conn., and that W1 suffix is a reissue of the label he was assigned 'way back in 1922. . . . WIWPO hears that OZ5KV got results from the ex-PK5AA QTH in the glossary to follow. . . . IRCs are of no value in the Solomons, according to word from VR1CV via WGDXC, and airmail there costs dearly. AI's cards are dribbling through nevertheless. . . . VK8TB/9M2AF, in addition to the address in the list to follow, recommends for non-W/K/VE/VOs: C. H. Watters, Systems Engineer, RAAF Base, Darwin, N.T., Australia. . . . WA6PMK finds that KWDG risks writer's cramp in topping the 5000-QSL mark for QSOs made by himself and the OM, KW6DF. Each card goes via bureau if no s.a.s.e. is handy. . . . W8KX relays a compliment from 601MT to the Hawaii DX gang: "Those K116s really QSL and fast!"

**Europe** — Polar Bears Radio Club, Solgardsgatan 15, Ornskoldsvik, Sweden, has some effective arrangements for securing hard-to-get U.S.S.R. QSLs. You might also investigate their offer of Russian call books and other interesting DX operating aids. . . . "Logs have arrived for the 1961 Monaco activity of DL9KP as 3A2BZ," states W2CTN, s.a.s.e., to be sure. . . . WGDXC learns that QSLing for this year's OH8A Alands escapade has been completed. Inquiries on the matter are still welcomed by log-holder OH2ER.

**Hereabouts** — "QSLer of the Month" nominations roll in thick and fast, by golly. W8YGR, WA3QMJ, WV6SBO, Ks 1M0D 2UYG 3KHK 4KSY and 9L1O salute the following fast dispatchers of QSO evidence: CR6D1U, EA6AM, FO8AC, HK3YV (two votes), HR1FO, KZ5TD, MP4s BBE QAO, K120A, VPs 3RW 6LN, VQ5s 1B IG, VSs 6BC 9MB, ZB1FA, ZD7SE, 7G1A and 9U5MC. DX QSL agents Ws 2CTN 2JXH 9FJ and 9WHM also are commended for devotion to duties. We ought to tally up these honorable mentions some day and supply suitable awards to high scorers, eh? . . . Ks 4KSY 5CWR and 9VLQ offer their services as QSL aides for deserving rare-DX brethren. . . . WITQS would like a tracer on ZMGAS, if you please. . . . K3COW, now handling QSLs for VP2SQ and HR3JW, ships via bureaus unless s.a.s.e.s. are provided. . . . Veteran shortwave enthusiast LeRoy Waite, 39 Hannum St., Ballston Spa, N. Y., operates the SWL/QSL Bureau for the purpose of distributing the many listener's reports that find their way into QSL bureau channels. He explains, "This Bureau is non-sponsored and operates, with the cooperation of the ARRL QSL Bureau, for the handling of incoming overseas s.w.l. cards, and QSLs destined for W/K/VE s.w.l.s. . . . When s.w.l. cards and QSLs arrive with complete addresses, each s.w.l. is notified by postcard with a request that a business-size s.a.s.e. and extra stamp be sent to me. Many arrive with incomplete addresses; s.w.l.s. desiring to do so may file their 'calls,' names and addresses with the assurance that they will receive notice should cards arrive for them at the SWL/QSL

Bureau." This column and ARRL facilities are, of course, dedicated to the transmitting amateur but we applaud Roy's determination to bring some order to a DX angle that has long burdened ARRL QSL Managers — the steady influx of overseas "heard" reports. . . . PZ1AY tallies his now terminated Moengo QSL ratio at 1600 sent, 1200 received. (Gad, 400 slackers in the crowd? . . . Via VE2LI, W3ICD disclaims connection with FY7YI QSL matters. Miscopied version of "via W3AYD", perhaps. . . . This month the readership is indebted to W1s AGS TQS WPO, W2s CTN WAIG, K2s IEG TDI UYG, WA2s EFN FQG KNC KMY KWB, K3s CUI ILC KHK MNJ, W4UO, K4s IKV KSY WVT, K5s FKD PSO, WA6s DNM PMK, WV6SBO, W7s LZP UVR, W8s KX YGR, W9JN, K9LIO, K0JPL, EL4s A and YL, KW6s DF DG, VE3BQL/SU, FEARL News (K42LL), ISWL Monitor (P. Bysh, 12 Gladwell Rd., London N.8, England), JDXRC Bulletin (JA1DM), KRC Splatler (K8BIT), NCDXC DXer (K6CQM), NNRC Bulletin (L. Waite, address in the preceding paragraph), OVARA Ether Waves (K8VDV), PBRC DXer (SL3ZO), VERON DX press (P4BFX), WGDXC DX Bulletin (W5ABY), WWDXA DX Northwest (W7JPC) and KGBX's D-X-QSL Newsletter for the customary collection of postal detections:

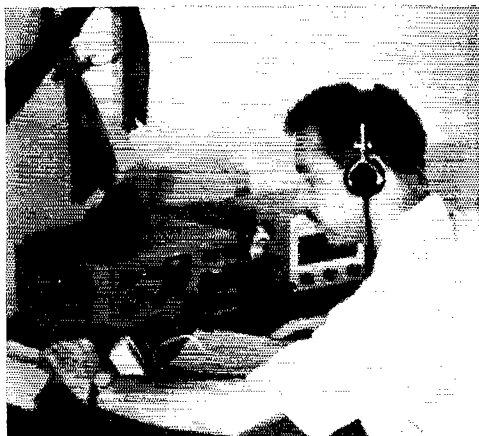
BV3HPT, P.O. Box 7031, Taipei, Formosa  
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 CN81K, P.O. Box 2175, APO 30, New York, N. Y.  
 CP5EA (via W1BAN)  
 DL2JD (to 43LW1)  
 DL5DU, R. Porter, U.S.A. Area Support Component 7990, APO 757, New York, N. Y.  
 EA6AZ, L. Pons, P.O. Box 303, Las Palmas, Mallorca, Balearics  
 EL2U, J. Walton, Box 183, Monrovia, Liberia  
 FA2GI (to F2GI)  
 FP8BU (to W9HPS)  
 FP8BV (via W2VCZ)  
 FW8AS (via W7PHO)  
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 HC1AGI, NASA, % U. S. Embassy, Quito, Ecuador  
 HI2CE, 11 Rue Faubert Petionville, Haiti  
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 JA5AI (via W1AGS, formerly K2QXG)  
 K7DRK/VO1 (via VO1AA)  
 KB6BS, R. Luuwai, Box 85, Canton Island  
 KB6BT, USPO 06/50000, Canton Island via Honolulu, Hawaii  
 KH6DFO/KG6, Box 415, Agana, Guam, M. I.  
 KW6DM (via KW6CG4)  
 KX6AI, J. Bogdanoff, Navy 824, Box 816, FPO, San Francisco, Calif. (or to K6QHC)  
 KZ5TB, Box 20, Ft. Amador, C.Z.  
 LX3KP (to DL9KJ)  
 ex-MP4MAH (to VU2TA)  
 OA4BR (via RCP)  
 OA4JF (via K1EKO)  
 OK3MM, J. Horsky, Krajinska Rd. 2934, Piestany, Czechoslovakia  
 OX3UD (via W2CTN)  
 PK2HT, J. Ejong Dil, Raja 87, Gombong, Djatang, Indonesia  
 ex-PK5AA, L. de Vos, Gebhekullaan 12, Putten Gld., Holland  
 ex-PZ1AY, J. Guillonard, % Mrs. C. Vermeulen, 14 Vredestraat, Nijmegen, Holland  
 PZ1BF (via W2WJS)  
 TA2AR, E. Kumbaraei, Kizilay Sumer Sodak no. 23/5, Ankara, Turkey (via PAJWWP, W. Ingenegeren, P.O. Box 33, Soest, Holland)  
 TF2WFX (via K4IUV)  
 TF5TP (via W2MIUM)  
 TI5RV, R. Valverde, Box 21, Quesada, Costa Rica  
 UA2BD, T. Buratovich, P.O. Box 136, Kaliningrad, U.S.S.R.  
 UA3CR, P.O. Box 82, Moscow, U.S.S.R.  
 UA0BP, Box 328, Krasnoyarsk, U.S.S.R.  
 UH8s BI BO, P.O. Box 93, Ashkhabad City, Turkoman S.S.R.  
 VE8CR, % Federal Electric Corp., Winnipeg, Man., Canada  
 VK8TB-9M2AF, C. H. Watters, % 1237 18th St., Huntington, W. Va. (see preceding text)  
 VK9GP (via W1A)

PZ1AY shuts down this cozy hamshack in favor of the Netherlands after thousands of DX contacts with 112 countries and all United States since activating at Moengo in July, last year. John is retiring from a supervisory position in Surinam's bauxite industry and looks forward to resuming his ham career in Europe.

**QST for**







7G1A really pins Guinea to the DX map and is also famed for such DXpeditionary endeavors as 7G1A/tz, Mali. Josef favors 21-Mc. c.w. when the band is good but dispenses many a 20-meter c.w. and s.s.b. Conakry contact as well. (Photo via K2UYG)

- VK9RR (via W2CTN)  
 VK9UA (to W0AKR)  
 VK0JB (via W1A)  
 VK0VK (via W1AGS, formerly K2QXG)  
 VP5BH (via W1OMW)  
 VP7CB, % Patrick AFB, Cocoa, Fla.  
 VP8EG (via G8KS)  
 ex-VP8GF, M. Meade, Sarsfield St., Kilmallack, Limerick, Eire  
 VQ2AB (via W6BAF)  
 VQ4GT, L. Mazery, P.O. Box 30025, Nairobi, Kenya  
 ex-V08AB-V08CB (to VQ1GT)  
 VQ8BR (via K1PDV)  
 VR2BC (via K1LRX)  
 VS4BY, B. Young, % BSP Co., Ltd., Miri, Sarawak  
 VS6EC (via HKARTS)  
 ex-VS9ADL-MP4TAF (to 9M2AD)  
 VS9APII (via GW3HEU)  
 VS9s KAC KGA KPH (W/Ks via W7PHO; others via G3CJQ)  
 VU2WA (via W4YWX)  
 W2HOL/KC4/Navassa, J. Reisert, WA6TGY, 1722 Berrywood Dr., San Jose 27, Calif.  
 ex-W7OPX/KW6 (to KW6DM)  
 W8AMG/VO1, W. Haesco, AEWRON 11, Navy 103, Radio, FPO, New York, N. Y.  
 W9NLJ/VE1 (to W9NLJ)  
 XE2WC, E. Navarro, Box 460, Tijuana, Baja California, Mexico  
 XT2A (via REF)  
 XZ2AD (via W0UUV)  
 YV5ASU, Box 1909, Caracas, Venezuela  
 YV5AWG (via RCV)  
 ZD6HK, P.O. Box 21, Blantyre, Nyasaland  
 ZD6PR, P.O. Box 41, Zomba, Nyasaland  
 ex-ZD88C, S. Crowe, Friarinn, Park Av., Ingatestone, Essex, England  
 ZS3EW, Box 131, Swakopmund, Southwest Africa  
 3A2BZ (via W2CTN)  
 5A3CAD (via RSGB)  
 5R8CO, P.O. Box 587, Tananative, Madagascar  
 ex-9Q5FR, 1260 Waketield Av., Berkeley, Mich.

NOTE: No guarantee of accuracy or officiality goes with the preceding QTH catalog. Feel free to disregard the whole business, by all means. On the other hand, you just might hit the jackpot.

### Whence:

Africa — VE3BQL/SU, assisted by VE3CJ, forwards interesting observations from Rufah. "Now in DX biz with a 51J-4 and KWS-1 for single-sideband or c.w., plus a Valiant and GPR-90 for a.m. and c.w. Openings back home

VR6TC's intriguing skywire goes well against a picturesque Pitcairn island backdrop. That's operator Tom Christian, inset, descendant of participants in one of the greatest romantic adventures of all time, the Mutiny on the Bounty. (Photos via W4TAJ)

to VE-land have been few and far between, although the path to W/K is open almost every night. On my last tour here in 1937-'58, I had a pipeline into Canada almost every night of the year. These so-called DX doldrums don't seem to apply to the rest of the world, however — plenty of signals from Asia, Europe, Africa and South America with bang-up two-way results. This all applies to 20 meters; there are a few signals on 15, but 10 is absolutely dead here most of the time. Is everybody listening and nobody calling? I note that FB8XX, ET3RS, 9Q5FR and 9U5FW continue to arouse interest on 14 Mc. and can often be found from 1800 to 2000 GMT with good signals." Elyvin is not pleased by the contemptuous disregard of directional CQs so often encountered on DX bands; a good way to permanently disqualify oneself from collecting certain juicy QSLs. VE3BQL/SU now hits 7-Mc. a.m. and s.s.b. with excellent DX results, and means to give 80 and 160 meters a world-wide whirl when conditions optimize. . . . 6O1MT writes W8KX about his nearly-DXCC (11/95) countries total and an almost completed WAS (minus New Mexico). Mauro aims for several citations and has already posted such awards as Russia's W-10-U, USKA's 11-22 and WGSA, sticking close to 14 and 21 Mc. Forty is filled with phone splatter in Somalia, 80 is blasted by static, but 10 is fine when it's open. W6CAE and K6UOM were Mauro's first California contacts in August. The pet peeve of 6O1MT, who does no hamming below 14 Mc., is that DX delicacies like SU TA YK and ZA go right over his head. "As a good Italian I'm trying to get the WAIP certification but it's very hard to catch from here." . . . "Our shipment of radio parts finally came from the U.S.A.," remarks EL1A, "but the s.s.b. rig and kw. amplifier were badly damaged en route. We now have the kilowatt going on 20 and we'll repair the sideband stuff when there's time. In addition to the usual c.w. frequencies you'll find EL1A and EL1YL voice signals on 7077, 11,151, 21,231 or 28,301 kc." . . . K2UYG says 7G1A is readying another Mali maneuver with his KWM-1 and ground-plane. . . . More Africa tidbits thanks to NCDXC, PBRC and WGDXC: XT2A paid an autumn visit to France. . . . 5N2AMS seeks Idaho, Nev., Ore. and Utah for WAS. . . . W5PQA of ZM7DA fame was hoping to sign rare west Africa prefixes around this time. . . . Say, CIRCA is one of those mental math whizzes capable of calculating cube roots in half a second, fifth roots in one second, etc. Handy fellow to have around in the closing hours of a DX test when you're in doubt as to whether a multiplier-class is worth while.

Asia — VU2AJ tells K0KKU he hunts for Ark., Utah, Vt. and Wyo. daily on 20 c.w. around 0300. Guess why "HZ1AB wants it known that they're going on RTTY, 11,000 kc., for a few months until the outfit shuts down," relays WA2KMY. . . . K8YUW moves to Okinawa for some KR6ing, and W1B0I mentions a current U.S.A. tour by O151X. . . . Several dozen HAs and HIs are grinding out local Korea QRM now, according to W6MDK. The DXer of PBRC alludes to Novice-style 14-Mc. activity by one H1B8M. . . . K2UYG finds VU2CQ itching for another AC5CQ skirmish. VS9MB's rig won't load on 40 or 80 but staffman Bill indicates the possibility of future action on those bands in lines to K1MOD. . . . Japan comments from here and there: W6IAH visited delightfully with JA1s AC AQA DWT FB HM ID JH and others. A tour of Tokyo's five 50-kw. TV rigs and 1093-ft. tower was impressive, too. . . . W6MDK captured WAT No. 21 and WPKAS in September. . . . K6CJF nears his 600th JA station worked. Bill's getting so well known over there that brand new JAs greet him by name, and others baffle him with Japanese salutations. . . . KA2YA is manned by Yakota Amateur Radio Clubbers Ws 4BAX 5WJS, Ks 1HOH 4YDK 5EAF 5YQG 8WKV, WA6BKQ, KA2s MM RP and s.w.l. H. Waldo. They have a Collins gallon warning a 90-ft.-high three-curtain rhombic, among other equipments. WA6BKQ writes, "Although KA2YA has been active for more than eight years we have only recently begun gathering QSLs for assorted certifications. Seven more states will clinch our WAS." . . . VE3BQL/SU observes much 14-Mc. DX excitement in his area inspired by AP2MR, EP2s AF AG AT BE HF, MP4s MAH TAO, TA2AR, VS9MB, 9M2s, AD and DX at 1800-2000 GMT. . . . Club Asian shorts via NCDXC, PBRC, VERON and WGDXC: AC5PN is back at the





KG6GX was reactivated with a bang this August and now sprays solid 14-Mc. sideband signals Statesward off a Vee beam. Capt. C. J. Alley mans the mike while Cmdr. J. L. Gates, K3CJM/KG6 (seated), Lt. P. H. Jacobsen, KG6AKG, and Lt. J. T. Boyle (right) monitor inaugural proceedings. KG6GX is housed at the transmitting site, U. S. Naval Communication Station, Guam.

slack after a few months abroad. . . . UH8DA's rare s.s.b. is rockbound on 14,302 kc., 1500-2000 GMT. . . . 9A12DB feels that scarcity of moderately priced single-sideband components is discouraging Asian s.s.b. growth. . . . AP5CP of East Pakistan may be catchable on 14,040 kc., 1030-1200 GMT. . . . W6EJA got a kick out of Japan's recent All-Asia Test in noting the ages of his competitors. Where were the guys in the 30s bracket? . . . Ex-YK1AT is said to be in Vietnam these days, striving for hamming privileges to no avail. . . . JA1EBB's 7-Mc. c.w. Marcus availability may terminate this month. . . . OD5CL plans Jordan emanations on week ends. . . . Kamarin island's rarity status was jeopardized by G3s GPE GJQ and NAC signing, respectively, VS9Ks PH GA and AC in October. Erratic conditions were sporadically surmounted by their persistent s.s.b.-a.m.-c.w. sorties.

**Oceania** — W8KX checks up on the Lord Howe island DX situation via VK3ARX. "Tain't good — no resident activity at all. VK3ARX muses, "I operated from there November 19 to December 1, 1958, as VK3ARX/lh. In November-December of '59 I went for a vacation to L.H. and was active with a friend as VK2APX/lh and with my own call. VK2FR was resident there for about seven years and is well known as elusive, mainly on d.s.b. VK2FR returned to Melbourne in early '61 — no Lord Howe action now. PB spot for vacations with its coral reef, lagoon, surf beach, mountain view, 230-volt a.c. and no police. It's only three hours from Sydney by flying boat." VK3ARX, by the way, was first licensed in 1928 and now has a 177/163 DX tally with 100 watts and a ground-plane, the latter soon to give way to a triband quad. Rick stalks QSLs from Ma., Ky., Miss. and S. C. to clinch his fifty fifty. According to WIA's *Amateur Radio*, Australia's top DXers by call area are VKs IEG 2ACX 3KB 4FJ 5AB 6RU and 7LZ. . . . KW6DG's newest local QRM is KW6DM, formerly W7QP/KW6. Layne also notes ex-KG6AFH pounding brass at KJ6BV, and hears that VR2DW readies an a.m. outfit for DX-tensive 14-Mc. deployment. . . . KX6AI (KG6IIC) reports from KX6BU: "We're getting out our 40-meter beam soon. Forty-meter conditions have been very fine with openings to Europe over the long path almost every morning, 1700-1900 GMT. In the evenings we work 7-Mc. Africans, and 75-meter s.s.b. is great for the States. I'll have KX6AI on the air now and then with 6146s rockbound, 7022 kc., and there are eight or ten other KX6s contributing local Kwajalein QRM." . . . NCDXC, PBRC and WGDXC volunteer Pacific addenda: VK0VK says there's a chance that Heard may be heard next month. . . . YJ1RD is reported rebuilding for the DX wars. . . . VK0FZ, still in need of ten states for WAS, goes back to Australia from Macquarie this month. Fred likes 14,090 kc. shortly after 0600 GMT on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. . . . Willis island's dull routine includes airplane supply drops (no airstrip), scarce ship visits, irksome bird deposits, cyclones, some lagoon fishing and no hamming inclinations among the meteorological personnel. . . . VK1SS is pessimistic about possible early CR10 DX output. . . . There's 240-volt 50-cycle a.c. available on Tonga, according to VR5RZ, whose recent operational visit succeeded in interesting the reigning prince in the possibilities of amateur radio. . . . PK2HT's 21-Mc.

phone frequently is audible between 1100 and 1600 GMT but W/Ks are still on the outside looking in (ITU-FCC Ban List).

**Europe** — "DXCC2" No. 41 (see p. 69, July 1959 QST) is filed by OK3EA who has been a member of ARRL's DX Century Club since 1956. Harry claims QSLs from 189 countries; only lack of S. Dak. and Utah QSLs blocks his WAS-DXCC achievement (confirmed QSOs with DXCC members in all United States). . . . K3CUI learns that UB5s FJ and KAB copped single- and multiop honors in last year's Czech DX contest, while OKs 5AL 1ZL and 2QR scored homeland highs. Ws 2EQS 4KFC and K3CUI ran 1-2-3 for our side. . . . R8GB's 1961 21/28-Mc. Telephony test is rampant as this QST gets around. Don't forget that your entries must be mailed no later than the 18th of this month. In the 1960 affair G3NNT was U.K. champ, OH5SM the non-U. K. kingpin. Other continental leaders were EP2AT, LU8CW, VE3ENH and ZD2JKO. Yank entries were paced by W1FZ, W3HQO, Ks 10CU and 8CFU in that order. . . . In this year's VERON (PACC) DX Test PA0s LOU VO LV VDV and VB led Netherlands participants in the single-op c.w. category while PA0s LV HBO SNG ADP and H5J took the cake on phone. Some U.S. call-area highs: Ws 1WY 5W1Q, K8PYD and W0MCX. Next year's PACC shindig is scheduled for April-May. . . . K9LLO's friend K9ICG embarks on a two-year Continental assignment and possible c.w.-accented rare-type DX work. . . . W7DJU notes YL Wilma passing out 14-Mc. code contacts from UQ2KAE. . . . Sweden's PBRC observes that Russian phones, including juicy items like UA6YB, are on the increase in the 7050-kc. region.

**Hereabouts** — The 45th "DXCC2" is submitted by W4HVQ, closely on the heels of OK3EA's entry. Marty writes from Norfolk, "When you first came out with that scheme I figured, along with hundreds of others, that it was a lead-pipe cinch for oldtimer DXCC fans. But when I went into my QSL file I found I was just a beginner — an earlier 'housecleaning' made it necessary for me to start working hard at reconfirming QSOs with overseas DXCCers. I got a wonderful response from fellows who QSL 200 per cent when necessary! No luck with LZ1KXZ, VP5s BL DC or PJ2AN, however." . . . "Receiving conditions were not ideal at Moengo," remarks ex-PZ1AX, now bound for the homeland. "I was on top of a bauxite hill about thirty miles from the ocean." . . . VP3RW dropped in on WA2FQG en route Europe, heading for a possible eventful VS-style assignment. . . . Phony RST reports rife WA6IVM and other conscientious DXers. "I'll give a DX station a carefully evaluated 348CK report, and then some local yokel gives him 589 or 599X." A few weak-minded W/Ks appear to believe that dishing out preposterous reports reflects some sort of glory on their receiving equipment. Ignorance and misuse of the valuable RST tool, however, is merely another way to spell L-I-D. . . . KN1TDP wonders how many DX hounds are in the XYLs' dog house. . . . K4KSY learns that W5CIE replaces K4THQ/VE8 on Resolution Isle. . . . The School for Latin America, Albrook AFB, C. Z., has KZ5TA in high DX gear with emphasis on 14-Mc. sideband. K4KTR finds KZ5RC (ex-W3JZO) chief of play with plenty of enthusiastic student participation. . . . NCDXC, PBRC and WGDXC chorus local items: HB9TL's roving s.s.b. transceiver visited VP3YG. . . . W2HQJ left 275 countries behind to become WA6TGY. . . . VP8EG's new relief operator is G3LET, a keen DXer, while VP8GE anticipates early return to Fire. . . . HK1QQ intimates an early-'62 Baja Nuevo probe by the HK8TU gang, plus further Malpelo merriment. . . . HC1AGI was temporarily mannaed by ace counter W3EIS. . . . Ex-YN1AT expects two years of DX fun as HH2P. . . . *Vasme III & Co.* (VP2VB/mm) expect to produce French Oceania QSOs pretty soon if not sooner.

**Ten Years Ago in "How's DX?"** — Ever work Outer Baldonia? Well, there is such a country just off VE1-land, according to research by W9HUZ as reported in the December 1951 column kickoff. . . . Old 160 comes back to DX life, Ws 1BB and 9CVQ getting across to ZL1AH. . . . EK1CW highlights a host of transoceanic 80-meter QSOs reported, and the 75-meter phone gang frolics with several KZ5s. . . . MD2s FM JB, SU1GB, VS7NG and 9S1AT are the pick of 7-Mc. candidates. . . . Twenty-c.w. is the haunt of C3s AB MY, ET3Q, F3AT/FF8, FD8AA, PE8AC, FK8SAK, HE9LAA, KM6AW/KS6, KT1s LAI LU OC, LB8CH, MD2DW, M13s GG VF US, OQ5s AA VN, ST2GL, SU1s RX XZ, UP5A, VK1BS, VT1AB, Y13s BES ECU EFE, YK1s AC AH and 9S4AX. . . . Phone spots on 14 Mc. grab stuff like CR8EB, CS3AA, HC8MMI, H16EC, KT1BB, LA1QC/Antarctica, M13RH and ZS8A. . . . On 10 voice you can catch MD2QC, M13s AB ZX, MP4KAG, OQ5s a- plenty, curious TDRK of Guatemala and ZD4BG. . . . HB9MA and HE9RD amassed 1342 QSOs with 51 countries as 3A2AD, VQ1RF and W5HBM threaten Zanzibar DX action, while Ws 9FK and ELA prepare an elaborate Borneo-Brunei-Sarawak incursion. . . . Jeeves labors over an excessively-metered final, and there are photos of PX1AR, JA20AM, OH3NA and KZ5TB for your viewing pleasure. [ET-1]

## RACES in Alaska and Hawaii

### Geneva Regs Implemented

### Third-Party Traffic With Bolivia

### Panel of Experts

#### RACES IN ALASKA, HAWAII

FCC has issued a notice of proposed rule-making to make available for RACES operations in Alaska and Hawaii the frequencies 7215-7255 and 14,220-14,230 kc.; these channels are already in the RACES frequency list for the continental U. S. Final date for filing comment is January 2, 1962.

#### GENEVA REGS IMPLEMENTED

Now that the Senate has ratified the radio regulations agreed to at the Geneva Radio Conference of 1959, the Federal Communications Commission has issued a final order amending Part 2 of its rules to conform, with an effective date of December 1, 1961. The only practical change affecting the amateur service will be deletion of our present 3500-3700 megacycle band, and its replacement by 3300-3500 Mc., as agreed at the Geneva meeting. Thus we shall be shifted back to the same portion of the spectrum originally assigned to the amateur service in the post-World War II allocations. However, the actual change will not be effected until amendment of the appropriate section of the amateur rules, Part 12, expected later in the year.

#### BOLIVIAN THIRD-PARTY TRAFFIC

The governments of Bolivia and the United States have signed an agreement permitting the



When Bernard H. ("Pop") Linden, ex-6XBL and 6ZG retired on August 1, after 44 years of service to FCC and its predecessor agencies, 200 old-timers in radio—amateur and commercial—turned out for a testimonial dinner. For the past 26 years, Pop Linden has been FCC Engineer in Charge of the 11th District, with headquarters in Los Angeles. To quote ham columnist K6UFL, "The hams all loved Pop because he was never too busy to talk to them . . . (answering) their questions no matter how technical or detailed . . ."

interchange of third-party message traffic by amateurs. There are the customary restrictions limiting conversations or messages to purely personal and relatively unimportant matters—except, of course, in emergency.

The full list of countries with which U. S. amateurs may freely handle such unimportant traffic is: Bolivia, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Haiti, Honduras, Liberia, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru and Venezuela. If you have the placard from October *QST* on your shack wall, please correct it by adding Bolivia.

#### PANEL OF EXPERTS MEETS

To study the unsolved problems of congestion in the frequency bands between 4 and 27.5 Mc., the Geneva Radio Conference of 1959 set up a special Panel of Experts (see page 63, January *QST*). Extensive preparatory work has been under way during the past year to nominate a U. S. candidate as a panel member (Captain Paul D. Miles, of the Interdepartment Radio Advisory Committee—who later received the largest number of votes in the international election process), and to provide him with background information and statistics covering the various matters to be taken up by the study group.

The Panel has now completed the work of its first session, held in Geneva, Switzerland, during September. It concentrated on various means of relieving congestion in the bands of services other than amateur, such as technical and operating improvements, transfer of activity to other portions of the spectrum, technical and economic assistance to new and developing countries, and the like. The amateur service, as hoped, was not included in the Panel's study (although considerable preparatory work was done by the League—just in case). At this point, therefore, it would not appear that the eventual recommendations of the Panel will involve the amateur service. QST

The Goldwater bill for reciprocal licensing needs your support. Write to the senators from your state and the members of the Commerce Committee today. Full details pages 9 and 73, October *QST*.



# Correspondence From Members -

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## TEAR-OUT CARD

☐ I just received October QST and hasten to write you a congratulatory letter on the inclusion of page 64 A and B. Placing all of this very valuable information onto a tear-out page is a very excellent idea. I feel that I am just one of the very many who will congratulate you on this splendid publishing effort. — *John F. Rider, W2RTD, New York, N. Y.*

☐ Putting the extract on a tear-out page was smart; I, like other League members, consider QST to be golden. I would just as soon tear a part out of my transmitter than deface my issues of QST. — *J. Scott Kenya, WY6SLT, Mountain View, Calif.*

☐ I think your tear-out card idea is terrific! I was in the process of compiling a similar chart when this came out. This form is much neater and handier. — *John Echlandt, KN9GQU, Chicago, Illinois.*

☐ It is especially valuable to me because I normally operate only one band and when I do have occasion to go to another one it sort of takes the romance out of it when I have to fumble through back issues of QST to find out what the band limits are. — *Richard E. Berger, W3IEF, Washington, D. C.*

☐ I was just wishing for a handy list of bands available and you come up with exactly what I needed. With the large numbers of new amateurs coming along each month they are bound to find such information very useful.

I just can't conceive trying to participate in this ham hobby without the expert help the League provides. — *L. J. Julien, K9DEY, Villa Park, Illinois.*

☐ First off your tear-out card is a step in the right direction. But let's print them only on one side so they can be put under glass or on the wall where they can do some good. When you print them on both sides they are better in the magazine. . . . — *J. E. Reynolds, W0JMB, Colorado Springs, Colo.*

☐ After hunting through many back issues for this information in the past, this new card is really appreciated. — *George J. Selas, W9QYI, Milwaukee, Wis.*

☐ . . . Only complaint perforations were too close to binding and so it was difficult to tear out of the magazine. But let's have more of these! — *Hartland B. Smith, W8YVD, Birmingham, Michigan.*

☐ It is always right in front of me in the shack under a glass top. This is only one of the many benefits one receives by belonging to the League. Keep up the FB ideas. — *Wayne E. Brenner, WA2NXP, Massapequa, L. I., New York.*

[Editor's note: Thanks to — K3MCJ, K8GPT, W2PEI, W8HXC, WA6JJP, W1BGJ, W5AKT 8, W3PJJG, W1PLA, K8WFH, W6USV, W4KQP, WA2JXG, W2Y1B, K2CCK, W2BHJ, K3HGX, W4MXO, W1ALP, K2GZW, W8DZY, K9IQS, W4TVC, W6HAB, W3JKX, W3ARM, K7ETV, K5HWO, W2OWL, W7VIF, W6NDP, K1LOY, W8QKU, K4PZK 4, W4TVY, K1CUH, W5WNU, W5JZT, WA6CAK, WA6IXR, K4LCP, WA6JSA, WN9AFI, W6CCE, WA2FZJ, K0UZE, W9RWD — and others — for their comments.

One member suggested a tear-out card in each issue, confident that the HQ. could create useful information to fill the space. This is not the problem; rather it is the expense of publication of the special insert which will prevent us from using it monthly.]

## FORTY YEARS . . .

☐ Just a note to thank all of you for what you have done to keep our hobby more enjoyable these past 40 years I've been a member!

Reference to my QST file for Oct. 1921 notes this was the convention issue (the first), also plans for Paul Godley's momentous trip to Scotland — another evidence of the

League's pre-planning and the members' cooperation on the "silent periods" that helped make it a success.

On page 55 of the 40-year old issue is also a letter from one D.H. Mix, ITS of Bristol, Conn., complaining of the QRM from "these daw-zone radio 'concerts,' so-called." However, the writing is on the wall in the form of the Crosley ads on pages 60 and 61!

Keep up the good work you are doing for all of us and many thanks. I hope to be with you for another 40! — *Fred Elser, W6FB, Palm Springs, Calif.*

## HOORAY FOR LOUIE!

☐ Yes, I mean Lewis G. McCoy; he has done more to help us non-technical amateurs than anyone else. He is sure down to earth and I am very pleased with his articles. Let's have more of Louie every month. — *Robert G. Thompson, K9RTG, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.*

## RECOMMENDATION

☐ In answer to "Helping Hand" of QST, September, 1961 Correspondence column, I say hold on to your sponge.

Judging from the amount of time and effort you have given to your rig and the fact that you did make some contacts, I suspect your trouble is not in your transmitter. Your trouble in all probability, is in your antenna.

My early hamming experience closely paralleled the trouble you are having now. In fact, most of the hams I know had similar difficulties. It seems that there is a lot of truth in the old saying, "If there's a will, there's a way."

Antennas, in my humble opinion, are the least understood and appreciated element of a communications link. The best action you could take at this stage, is to soak up all you can from the ARRL *Antenna Book*. I also recommend that you get a copy of my article in QST, November, 1955, on the "Budget 40-Meter Vertical." It's an antenna constructed from empty beer-cans. It's an excellent antenna for your purpose at practically no cost. In addition, look at my antenna article on page 18 of this issue. — *W. Pete Czerninski, W2TJ, Shrewsbury, New Jersey.*

☐ I would recommend to Mr. Bosinski — if he has not already done so — that he follow his own suggestion and become a philatelist. Four hours a night (and plenty of money) should enable him to become an outstanding stamp collector. On request, I will be happy to supply him with his first series of Canadian stamps.

It is regrettable that Mr. Bosinski's reaction to his first set-back should be a critical condemnation of hams in general. There may be some un-cooperative members in the fraternity, but there is plenty of help available, and one of the best ways to obtain assistance is to become a member of the local radio club.

Unfortunately, experience does not come in kit form, nor without persistence. Happily for those who lack patience or persistence, there are other hobbies — such as stamp collecting including the privilege of "beeing" if you do get into the cooperation guaranteed to each citizen in the "Bill of Rights".

So what else is new? — *L. Jacques Filion, VE2AES, Chomedey, P.Q., Canada.*

## POWER LEVEL

☐ After reading several letters asking for lower amateur r.f. power requirements, I feel that I must write before too many persons actually start taking such a bad suggestion seriously.

Since the time of the first transatlantic QSOs on 160 meters many years ago, the end-point to which amateur radio has been headed may be summed up in only two words — reliable communications. Whether the amateur is engaged in DXing, ragchewing, antenna design, or just plain

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# Operating News



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JOHN F. LINDHOLM, WIDGL, Ass't. Comm. Mgr., C.W.

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**To What End Certificates?** Award certificates, the time honored means of recognition for various amateur achievements, reflect the integrity of the sponsoring organization and are valued accordingly. Certificates reflect continuing performance values as in SCM appointments, or an earned achievement as with CP, DXCC, WAS, or RCC.

Bob Murphy, K6CQM, editor of the Northern California *DXer*, devotes an editorial to certificates, suggesting that societies around the world are the logical ones to administer certificates, rather than individuals. He deplors individual offerings as well as those commercially promoted, especially "where the many fees seem excessive and the certificates unduly prolific." K6BX also has stressed the principle that any award to be recognized should aim at a "suitably high" achievement and be of a continuing nature. It must be supported by an organization large enough to administer the award consistently and honestly, and must be for something worthwhile . . . which is to say it generally must be for more than working a handful of a club's members. Unfortunately so many of the new ones are just that! Here is part of K6CQM's comment with credit to *The DXer*.

"How many have noticed the sad state which the certificate field is in now with everyone and his brother getting into the act, offering certificates for anything and everything, and expecting you to pay for them besides. There has been a trend towards certified lists instead of QSLs submitted. However, most of the worthwhile and prized certificates require cards (or reserve the right to call in specified cards). I, for one, think that submitting a certified list for such awards would detract from their authenticity and value. After all, a QSL is still the only legal proof of QSO — so there's no reason why anything less should be required. There are too many new certificates showing up every day. Not only that, but some new awards offer a separate certificate for each class or degree of award for the same accomplishment. The number of classes reach up into the ridiculous. . . . Originally, certificates were offered free or with a nominal charge (up to a dollar) for actual postage and/or return of QSLs by registered mail. Yet the price, even with certified lists proposed instead of a true review of presented QSLs, remains the same. This is a sys-

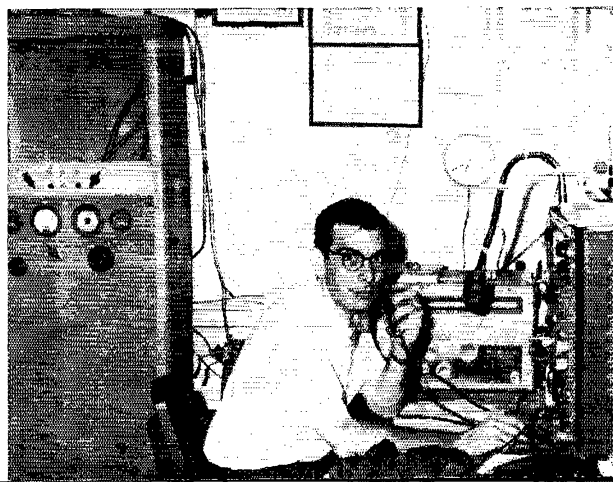
tem which it seems can show a tidy profit at the end of the year. . . . I refuse to buy my way to the top. . . . We are open to pros and cons on the subject but think those bestowing honors should do this gratis or for the return QSL costs. . . ."

**Fixed-Test Messages and Holiday Traffic.** All amateurs can use this holiday season to demonstrate to themselves and others that their stations are truly capable of handling communications. The "personal service" represented by traffic deliveries is great at any time of year, and is especially appreciated on holidays. Accuracy and speed are most assured when messages are routed via one's section c.w. or phone net.

The volume of Christmas traffic is one of our organizational problems. A brief way to send messages is to use the ARRL list of fixed or standardized texts. You will find this in your ARRL Log Book, or CD Form 3, available by requesting it from ARRL Headquarters. CD-3 gives a wide selection of "greeting and seasonal messages" as well as an example of the exact message form to follow in starting any such message. We strongly urge spelling out the numbers representing the text to reduce error. Please remember that it is the delivering stations responsibility to expand any message using fixed texts. The brief individually worded radiogram will often be preferred, but the ARRL system of ARI-text messages has helped amateur radio to do a bigger job of handling emergency messages. A few well handled radiograms can make yours a traffic-Christmas.

**Starting and Routing Your Message.** If your station is part of a net, you have no problem. The net should have liaisons with the National Traffic System for the surest routing. If you are not on the air, you can file your radiogram with another local amateur, preferably an ORS, OES, or OPS appointee with traffic

George Thurston, W4MLE, rates a gold star for his SEC work in Western Florida. Here he is at his operating position. George's shack is one of those which do not look impressive at first glance, but on closer inspection you find that there isn't much he isn't set up for. When he gets time from his ham work, he runs a press service at the state capitol in Tallahassee.



connections. But there is a great satisfaction in starting the messages from your own home station and have your call appear as the "station of origin." You can try and snag someone right at the destination by going over the bands to find an active and dependable station "right there." But this is more of a gamble than to work through a traffic-dedicated net. Under FCC's Section 12.102, U. S. hams can freely handle traffic as long as no compensation, direct or indirect, is involved. Since similar privileges are not generally granted amateurs in other countries, it behooves us to develop and use our ability and our privilege to the fullest. Christmas is a good excuse, even if you are a newly licensed amateur, to send some messages.

Consult *Operating an Amateur Radio Station* for details on net operation and message handling. Setting up the traffic should be pure routine; using an ARRL message blank automatically puts your message in the right order to send. The address should be complete and correct. In sending be sure all parts are in the correct order. Remember, traffic delivered is an advertisement for amateur radio!

**ARRL Code Proficiency Program.** Last year WIAW and W6OWP received nearly 4000 submissions of copy in the Code Proficiency Program. As of last December, 37,759 people had been certified in the CP Program! All persons not already certified at 35 w.p.m. are urged to strive for a higher-speed *endorsement sticker* until you prove your ability at 35 w.p.m. In sending in copy for check, please mark your one minute of solid copy which you think will qualify. For five-character words and the spaces-between them (10-35 w.p.m.), it takes 59, 89, 119, 179, or 209 consecutive characters and spaces respectively to qualify. We suggest to those amateurs going up for FCC code examinations that they listen as often as possible to speeds *faster* than they can copy solid. To make sure you pass, strive to earn a certificate at one or even two speeds above the FCC speed for which you are aiming. This will allow for any possible nervousness when you take the exam.

**For the Newcomer.** Getting your first ticket is naturally a matter in which you can take much pride. Whether a Novice, Technician, or General/Conditional, go beyond what you have to even greater results. Accomplishments in amateur radio reflect one's own efforts and application. Equipment and operating arrangements can be constantly improved. Also one's results in DX, traffic, and awards can come as much from operating know-how and participation as from a new beam and new equipment.

The Amateur Radio Emergency Corps invites your registration from the moment you receive your license. Get a Form 7 AREC registration blank either from your local Emergency Coordinator or from ARRL Hq. to add your strength to organized emergency preparedness. The Official Experimental Station appointment from your SCM likewise is open to all amateurs, newcomers included, that work v.h.f. Activity can be in

nets, propagation reporting, or experimental projects of all kinds. Novices or Technicians can earn this appointment. Whatever your brand of operating, send a concise report of your on-the-air results direct to your SCM each month in accordance with his invitation on page 6 of this issue of *QST*.

Looking ahead to February, the newcomer can look forward to the Novice Roundup, February 3-18, to expand your number of states worked. Complete announcement will be in January *QST*. There's nothing like on-the-air operation to gain confidence before going up for a code test. The ARRL Code Proficiency Program will also help you with your c.w. copying ability. Mighty popular with all the new gang coming into the game, is the Rag Chewer's Certificate. Just work an RCC member and get him to nominate you. You can locate one by asking those you work: "RCC?" . . . and save those QSLs for WAS. New states keep counting even after you get your General or Conditional ticket.

**Making Proper Use of the NCEFs . . . to Keep Them Effective.** Thanks to all reporting success in getting states and moving traffic via-NCEF when nets were not in session. We just have room for a few quotes this time to emphasize correct operational use of the National Calling and Emergency Frequencies.

"A directional CQ to Rochester, N. Y., October 18th got a quick reply from WA2NNZ . . . W8TBP was listening and did a wonderful QNB job. On one CQ and a half hour the message was close to Rochester by NCEF . . ."

"Please urge all stations to ignore non-directional CQs on the NCEFs." — *K2URG*.

"NCEF-1 report: Using 7 and 3.5 Mc., in 57 minutes operating, worked S. C., Ohio, and N. Y. . . . 4 hours and 15 minutes total." — *K1PNB*.

"Response on 7100 and 3550 NCEF very good for this location." — *KØYRQ*.

"The 3550 NCEF is being mobbed these nights. After calling and contact they use it for ragchew. QRAI by those not moving frequency at once tends to handicap NCEF use for new directive calls or emergency. Publicize the need for courtesy in getting off the NCEF at once. Move up or down, as soon as contact is made." — *W1CHL*.

August *QST*, page 78, has the full how-to-use treatment on NCEFs. In conclusion it must be emphasized that the plan calls for each amateur to keep his receiver tuned to a NCEF a good share of the time he is in his shack but not necessarily on the air. Make calls on an NCEF but only with a specified object (place) in mind. Move to another frequency for any traffic or rag chewing. The rules for NCEF use:

1. Keep your receiver on a C and E channel on the band and mode you work, so you can hear calls for your area or any emergency QRRR.

2. Make directional calls *only* on an NCEF. Give state or city for traffic or emergency or in pursuit of WAS.

3. All callers on finding a contact should at once indicate frequency up or down to carry on the body of the contact . . . a proper and expected courtesy to leave the NCEF clear so others can take their turn. Let's make this a habit whether the frequency seems busy or not.

— *F. E. H.*



The Cumberland County Emergency Net (Maine) was advised at 1540 Aug. 2 that a 9-year-old boy was lost in the woods about 30 miles from Portland. The mobile communications center operated by the net was dispatched to the scene and acted as a field headquarters for all agencies involved in the search. Seven mobiles and three hand-carried units were dispatched, a net control was established in Portland and a relay station was set up near the scene. After a one-hour search in the rain the boy was found by K1s ANM and OYB, unharmed but wet and cold after five hours in the woods. Word was quickly radioed back to the mobile center and the search was discontinued at 1715. Other amateurs participating were K1s ACF GUC JDA LPB LQZ LTZ MBM MZB NND PPM RQE RQF, W1s AHM EPB LWD WST. — K1JJA.

On Aug. 11 the Red Cross of Albuquerque, N. M., called on the AREC for communications assistance during flood conditions. W5WNU was net control and W5ZHN set up at RC headquarters. The boys did a first-class job under some pretty tough conditions, mostly involving evacuation and relay of official information. Participating were K5s ZCA CXN KWW DQI D11Z, W8PDP/5. — W5ZHN, SEC New Mexico.

A bad tornado hit the Plainfield-Green, Iowa, area on Sept. 1 at about 1800. Blackhawk-Bremer County EC W8PTL took an emergency crew of amateurs to the area on Sept. 2. Communications were setup for news reports to a local radio station using base stations W8JPJ at Waterloo and W8OLF at Plainfield. Others participating were mobiles W8PTL, W8DCV and W8JFF. — K0KXN, SEC Iowa.

On Sept. 4 a boat crossing Lake Spiridon, near Kodiak, Alaska, capsized, drowning two of four occupants. Washington SEC W7HMQ was asked to provide communications between KL7DVB in Kodiak and Tacoma, Wash., for the families of the drowned men and the Tacoma Unit of the Mountain Rescue Council which was called to rescue survivors and recover the bodies. K7DQV and W7WIV provided the Tacoma end of the hookup. — W7HMQ, SEC Washington.

While engaged in a c.d. exercise in St. Lambert, Que., on Sept. 15, the Montreal AREC gang was contacted by VE2BVD mobile on his way from Montreal with other mobiles to assist in a search for a lost five-year-old boy in Ville Jacques Cartier. The amateurs joined up and stayed with the task until the boy was found, about 0300 the next day. Other mobiles taking part were VE2s ER EP SC AEV HVB AUU AKK TM AFM. Fixed stations included VE2s AJI (operating VE2ADX), AGM and AUV.

Northeastern University Radio Club members gather around the equipment at the club's quarters in Boston. Seated are (l. to r.) K1s BMP and DXJ. Standing are K1s NCS GRG and W1HIV. The group was commended by the Red Cross for setting up an emergency net during Hurricane Esther. Club call is W1KBN.

Amateurs were in action during the disastrous forest fire in the Russian River area of California over the Labor Day week end, Sept. 2-4. W6UDL and K6RCR set up one of two base stations operating from Guerneville. The other was operated by W6SFG, K6ALI and W6IWI. Still another station, operating from the local firehouse, was W6FLX. W6PZE was in operation near the fire line. K6RCR and W6RPU made several trips to Monte Rio with supplies and gear, and together with K6GOZ maintained communications from that area. — W6BIP, SCAI San Francisco.

In Mid-September Hurricane Esther posed a very definite threat to the New England states; but when she finally got there, she wasn't nearly so ferocious as she was billed. Nevertheless, many amateur groups were on fullscale alert and ready for the worst. We have reports from Winthrop, Boston and Waltham, all in Eastern Massachusetts. Possibly more will come in later, because Esther didn't confine her activities to the Boston area.

The Winthrop Emergency Radio Net went on alert on Sept. 20 and remained active until the next morning. Nets were in operation on 2, 6, 10 and 80 meters from c.d. control headquarters at the report center, all set to operate from emergency power if necessary. About 20 amateurs were supplemented with non-amateur commercial operator permittees for full scale operation had it been required.

In Gloucester, WIPSC reports that five fixed stations and a number of mobile units were active on two meters, with active liaison to the Red Cross Net and other services.

The Waltham C.D. Net had a good turnout for Esther. Rigs were active on two meters at c.d. headquarters, Red Cross, Public Works Dept., two c.d. rescue vehicles, the c.d. mobile control station, the News Tribune office, the police station and a few mobiles and fixed home stations. The sector net tie-in on 6 meters was also activated. Thirteen amateurs participated under EC W1JSM.

In the Boston area, the Northeastern University Radio Club station, W1KBN, was activated to provide backup communication for the Boston Chapter of the American Red Cross. The club station went on 3900 kc. with a kilowatt of power and established an emergency net on Sept. 21. During nine hours of continuous operation, 235 stations were checked in representing all the New England states, Penna., N. J., N. Y. and the eastern provinces of Canada. More than 20 stations reported from the threatened Cape Cod area, while others were in Nantucket, Martha's Vineyard, Block Island and Long Island. Many reported emergency power capability. K1HGP reported from aboard a tanker which was skirting the storm, providing "on the spot" reports of wind and weather. At W1KBN, a crew of five stood watch from 0845 until 1800, with K1JAU helping out as NCS when the going got rough. The Boston headquarters station, W1UBU, operated on ten meters, dispatching local mobile units. Liaison between this station and W1KBN was conducted on two meters through W1EAE. W1GQF set up a two-meter link from an isolated disaster shelter.

Much ado about not very much, as it turned out. But it all shows that we are ready for it if it comes, and this is far better than having to start scrambling for organization after the blow strikes.



At approximately 0900 Sept. 29, the AREC of Clinton County, N. Y., formed a net to assist in a search for two missing officers from Plattsburgh AFB on Lake Champlain. WA2JOI and WA2JKC went mobile in the latter's private plane and started a search of the lake. WA2SNW acted as NCS and conducted all ground contacts for the aircraft mobile. Within 47 minutes of the alert, WA2JKC aeronautical mobile spotted the missing boat and rescue was completed, another successful service rendered by the AREC of Clinton County. — WA2GCH, EC Clinton County, N. Y.

Members of the Branch County (Mich.) AREC sprang into action on Sept. 30 when Coldwater, Mich., experienced a very severe windstorm. K8DKT acted as net control until line noise forced him to turn it over to K8ZED. With the city divided into quadrants, mobile teams consisting of K8s, TW7 ZGO TZI and AXN, accompanied by police officers, patrolled assigned sections reporting trees blocking traffic, downed wires and other wind damage. Their reports were received at K8ZED and quickly dispatched to appropriate authorities. A spokesman for the police department said: "We had heard of the Emergency Corps that the local hams had formed a week ago, but had not seen it in action. We frankly had expected a few rough edges but were extremely pleased at the smoothness of their operation during actual emergency conditions." — KN8ZKS.

A communications emergency occurred in Essex County, N. Y., when many of the police and fire radios ceased to operate during an 8-alarm fire at a hotel in Lewis and the Essex County AREC was called into action at 1403 GMT. WV2RNB/mobile was at the scene with portable equipment for work in and around the fire. WA2DZN/mobile was dispatched to the pumper trucks at the pond where he kept a constant report on pressure readings and maintained communications between the fire trucks. WA2TO kept these two stations in constant touch with fire and police headquarters at Elizabethtown. WA2CTH stood by at c.d. headquarters. — WA2DZN.

Oh-oh! We almost overlooked another Hurricane Esther report. K2OVN, EC for Kings County, N. Y., reports that K2UAG and W2LDC were tracking Esther all day Tuesday Sept. 19, and on Wednesday the county AREC and c.d. went on standby alert. Twelve amateurs were on the job and waiting for the worst, but when Esther decided on a sea voyage the net secured after twelve hours of vigilance.

Twenty-seven SEC reports were received for August, representing 12,794 AREC members. Again, this is a drop in number of reports but an increase in members. The record now shows 232 reports received from 44 different sections in 1961. In 1960 at this time we had 210 reports



Members of the Western Penna. Traffic Net and the Keystone Slow Speed Net got together for a "Gabfest" at Parker Dam State Park on Sept. 10. The get-together was sponsored by the Brasspounders Amateur Radio Fraternity. In the picture, left to right, kneeling: W3WRC, W3KUN (RM), W3KNG, K3KMO (W4UWA); standing: W3WRE, W3SMV, W3UHN (SCM), K3HID, W3NEM, W3MFB, K3LVA, K3PXH, K3GAO, W3IDO. (Photo by W3SMV.)

from 40 different sections.

August reports were received from the SECs of Ont., S. Dak., Utah, NYC-LI, Minn., W. Mass., Va., Iowa, Ga., E. Fla., Ala., Ind., Ore., Wash., Wis., E. Bay, Colo., Mich., Alberta, So. Texas, E. Mass., Teun., E. Pa., S. N. J., Los A., S. C. V., Md.-Del.-D. C.

### RACES News

On Sept. 26 the U. S. Weather Bureau at Grand Rapids, Mich., issued a severe weather forecast with possibility of tornadoes for lower Michigan, including Ottawa County.

Consequently, the Ottawa County RACES Net was alerted, consisting of seven area base stations and eight mobiles. Some of the latter were dispatched as spotters, others held on stand-by. At 1720 a tornado touched down at Marne, Mich. A mobile with c.d. personnel was quickly dispatched to the scene to survey the damage. As a result of reports received from this mobile, the county c.d. crash truck was dispatched to the scene to make repairs and provide other services needed. — W8QQJ, KO Ottawa County, Mich.



### BRASS POUNDERS LEAGUE

Winners of BPL Certificate for September Traffic:

Call	Orig.	Recd.	Rel.	Del.	Total
W3CTL	248	1597	1343	241	3429
W9JOZ	5	1452	1452	5	2914
K6BPI	99	1154	1002	2402	2407
W0SCA	23	915	890	13	1841
W0LGG	116	722	691	39	1668
K4KFP	172	622	581	39	1414
K0ONK	152	627	595	18	1392
W0BDR	193	457	375	9	1034
W7BA	4	514	457	54	1029
W8UPH	13	494	424	68	999
W8EOP	3	487	434	32	956
K2UAT	158	362	320	6	846
W6WPF	5	419	402	16	842
W7DZX	7	404	367	31	809
K0WWD	36	95	385	290	806
W3EML	16	380	326	48	770
K6KCB	15	388	318	28	749
K48JL	78	384	267	3	732
W8IAB	38	362	240	7	719
K6PPT	5	355	250	105	715
W9DYG	102	329	242	42	715
W3VR	42	391	271	9	713
W6VYH	152	285	254	12	703
K4KGB	79	322	278	8	687
K2UBG	34	343	292	25	684
K9OZM	21	321	196	116	654
W4PL	7	318	308	12	645
W0PZO	23	306	243	57	629
WA2GPT	16	305	265	38	624
W5CY	6	302	158	144	610
W4TUB	6	308	287	8	607
W9USR	15	275	225	50	565
W0OHJ	6	265	250	18	539
WA6JDB	18	250	240	2	510
W5CEZ	18	257	177	57	509

Call	Orig.	Recd.	Rel.	Del.	Total
W6RHL/5 (June)	145	680	10	660	1495
W3IVR (Aug.)	6	570	560	14	1146
W8DAE (Aug.)	31	460	328	82	901
W5ZHN (Aug.)	31	263	183	62	539
K9UGY (Aug.)	32	246	194	33	505

### More-Than-One-Operator Stations

Call	Orig.	Recd.	Rel.	Del.	Total
W6YDK	2880	150	99	36	3165
W6IAB	82	1413	1404	9	2908

Call	Orig.	Recd.	Rel.	Del.	Total
W6YDK (Aug.)	2985	146	89	44	3264
W4PFC (Aug.)	19	371	347	5	742

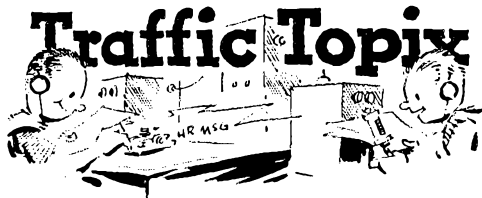
### BPL for 100 or more originations-plus-deliveries

WN4BMC	273	K0VPH	130	K1M2M	108
WA6LVX	165	WA6CDD	120	KP4WT	106
K0L/TJ	153	W2GKZ	117	W4CGE	103
K0WVK/0	148	W1TXL	114	W5SMK	103
K3AMQ	142	K9RMI	114	W3WH5	102
K2CMJ	133	W0ANT	113	Late Report	
K6GZ	133	W2EW	112	K2GAO (June)	157
W5AIR	131	WA2CCF	109		

BPL medallions (see Aug. 1954 QST, p. 64) have been awarded to the following amateurs since last month's listing: K3IMP, K9RMI, K0VTG.

The BPL is open to all amateurs in the United States, Canada, and U. S. Possessions who report to their SCM a message total of 500 or more or 100 or more originations plus deliveries for any calendar month. All messages must be handled on amateur frequencies within 48 hours of receipt, in standard ARRL form.





Our request for "guest writers" for this column brought some response. None of the writers claimed to be very great shakes with the pen and all disclaimed any intention to be quoted word for word, so we'll do a little cagey paraphrasing and add a few ideas of our own so those who suggested the topics not only won't recognize their words but might not even recognize their ideas. Before we begin, we'd better give credit to WA2HGB and W3ZRQ for planting the germ that hatched this monster.

It's about the "Q" signals — when you use 'em, when you don't use 'em, and if you use them, how? A long time ago (two ARRL General Managers ago, as a matter of fact), one K. B. Warner, W1EH, wrote an article in *QST* (June, 1940, p. 56, if you want to look it up) entitled "Say It With Words," which decried the common phone practice of using c.w. abbreviations. Such a practice is not so commonplace now as it was then, but we still have a few carry-overs. Add to them the "ham lingo" used in voice operation and you will find that phone talk on the ham bands today is almost as unintelligible to the layman as it was twenty years ago. In addition to CQ (we gave up on this one and now even W1AW uses it), we still hear operators complain about the "QR Mary" and "QR Nancy" and ask other stations to QSY, and it is not uncommon, in phone traffic circles, to hear someone offer to QSP a message. It just doesn't seem right, somehow, to use the words "interference," "atmospherics" or "relay" in their place.

Some of the phone lingo used nowadays is not a throwback to c.w. terminology, but it is still lingo. Nothing wrong with this, we guess, except that casual non-amateur listeners get an erroneous impression of our mental ages. In phone traffic handling, we ought especially to set the example of clipped, efficient, business-like procedure, and do away with artificial laughter, smacking of chops, noisy breathing into the mike and "pet" phonetics. We also ought to "say it with words" rather than use the c.w. Q signals. This takes longer, you say? Sometimes, but not always. Is "no traffic" longer than QRU, or "queen roger uncle"? We ought to save the c.w. abbreviations for c.w.

And that brings up the next subject — using the Q signals on c.w. and using them properly. Every now and then someone goes through the Atlantic City or Geneva documents and wises us up to a number of Q signals that could be used in amateur work that most of us never heard of. As far as traffic work is concerned, there are a few such, but whatever is lacking in the standard list we make up for by our own "QN" signal list. It might be very smart for you to pull an obscure Q signal out of the hat and throw it at somebody, but usually it succeeds only in holding up the net. Every traffic man should be familiar with the meanings of traffic-useful Q signals and how to use them.

Now be truthful: Do you know the real meanings of QRU, QRV, QSG, QSL, QSM, QSP, QSZ, QTA, QTB and QTC — all signals which can be, should be and frequently are used in traffic work? Did you know that QRX no longer means "standby"? Ever use QTX? How are you on the "QN" signals? If an NCS threw a QNJ at you, would you know what he was talking about? Did you ever know that QN signals are never used with a question mark? How often during a net session do you have to scratch around for your copy of Operating Aid 9?

Some time ago we changed the meanings of two of the QN signals, to eliminate meanings that were obsolete or hardly ever used and bring these particular signals into regular use. Since then, we have frequently heard NCS of some of our better nets spell out the meanings of these signals (QNQ and QNV) without using them. How come? It seems to us much easier to say "WINJMI QNQ up 5 WIBDI ARRL" than "WINJMI up 5 wait for WIBDI to finish then send him tlc for ARRL." Probably some of the NCS know what the signals mean but are afraid to use them because they won't be understood; but we'll never get used to them, at that rate. Let the net members

scramble for their QN list a few times; it's the best way to make them learn.

To sum up: When handling traffic on phone, be brief and concise, but don't use c.w. abbreviations and avoid "phoney" lingo. On c.w., use the abbreviations and Q signals to the maximum; get a copy of the Operating Booklet and Operating Aid 9 and bone up on this. — WINJMI.

#### September Net Reports.

Net	Sessions	Check-ins	Traffic
7290 Traffic	46	1820	815
Mike Farad E & T	51	479	1139
North East Area Barn Yard	26	863	12
20 Meter Interstate S.S.B.	20	642	1732
Early Bird Trancon	30	...	115

*National Traffic System.* You know, our world is getting so complicated that we have specialties within specialties within specialties. You might consider radio itself a specialty, but within that you have amateur radio, amateur radio traffic, amateur radio traffic nets, amateur radio National Traffic System Nets, and amateur radio National Traffic System Net Control Stations. This is getting down pretty fine, but it is about NTS net control stations that we want to say a few words.

One prominent NCS of one of our more prominent NTS nets once mentioned to us that he was going to give up his regular NCS assignment "to give some of the other boys a crack at it." He actually felt that he had been hogging a good assignment and that there must be many eager amateurs waiting to have their chance at it. NCSing, to him, was a challenge and an achievement and a source, when done right, of the greatest enjoyment and satisfaction. It was his specialty, the thing he liked best to do.

We have other NTS specialists. Some of the boys have a flare for organizational administrative work. Others are proud of their high-speed operating ability. Still others find their chief source of satisfaction in relaying traffic over long distances and become stalwarts in the TCC. Whatever their traffic specialties, we can find a place for them in NTS, in one or another of the coordinating jobs that weld NTS into a nationwide system of traffic handling in which each operator performs the job for which he is best suited and enjoys.

#### September reports:

Net	Sessions	Traffic	Rate	Average	Representation (%)
EAN	30	1009	.667	33.6	97.8
CAN	30	1244	.904	41.4	97.8
PAN	30	1265	.698	42.2	97.8
IRN	56	554	.323	9.9	64.5
2RN	59	476	.398	8.6	89.4
3RN	60	636	.388	10.6	100.0
4RN	57	462	.271	8.1	84.9
RN5	56	727	.371	13.0	73.7
RN6	57	783	.470	21.2	86.8
RN7	58	385	.234	6.6	...
8RN	59	353	.200	6.0	94.5
9RN	59	899	.661	15.2	56.3
TEN	90	966	.501	10.7	62.5
ECN	20	66	.158	3.3	91.7 <sup>1</sup>
TWN	30	242	.290	8.1	80.7
Sections <sup>2</sup>	1038	5417			5.2
TCC East-rn	99 <sup>3</sup>	451			
TCC Pacific	113 <sup>3</sup>	1001			

Summary	1769	16936	CAN	8.3	3RN
Record	1651	21234	.942	15.4	100.0

<sup>1</sup> Region net representation based on one session per night or less. Others are based on two sessions per night or more.

<sup>2</sup> Section nets reporting: NEB (Nebr.); MDDS (Md.-Del.-D.C.); BUN (Utah); SCN (Calif.); NJN (N.J.); WSSB, WIN (Wis.); ILN (Ill.); QFNS, QFN (Fla.); WSN (Wash.); QKS (Kans.); AENT, AENP Morn, AENP Eve, AENO, AENM, AENB (Ala.); OSN (Ore.); NJQ, SDN (S.Dak.); S. Dak. 75 Phone; SCN (S.C.); CCW and HNN (Colo.); NSPN Noon, MSPN Eve, MSN & MJN (Minn.); GSN (Ga.); CPN & CN (Conn.); VFN & VN (Va.); TN (Tenn.); GBN (Ont.); RISP (R.I.).

<sup>3</sup> TCC functions reported, not counted as net sessions.

About these section net reports: Many are coming to us incomplete and cannot be counted in the above tabulation for that reason. We suggest that each section net manager use a standard form CD-125 for reporting net info, and be sure your NTS liaison is indicated. If you don't use CD-125, be sure to give us (1) number of net sessions held, (2) total traffic handlings in directed session and (3) your NTS liaison. Note that CD-125 is for use only by NTS section nets.

This month's summary shows a rather sharp decline in traffic, although an increase in number of sessions. Both previous records in these categories were set in 1960, as well as the previous high "rate." The previous high-average was made in 1952. Looks like we need a steady flow of more good traffic.

W9DYG reports all going well on CAN; RN5 missed three times, but on two occasions K4AKP filled in. Conditions are plaguing PAN, sez WAGROF, who has a date with Cupid in February. W3UE reports 3RN going strong with 100% representation again. RN5 handled quite a bit of Hurricane Carla traffic; W5RIT has been awarded his RN5 certificate. RNG is back on the map again, with K6KCB as manager. W8DAE commends K8MYU again for representing West Virginia in 8RN; more needed. W6DUA is the new TEN manager, replacing W6LCK; give him some help, fellows! Representation is looking up in ECN, with Maritimes represented nineteen times out of twenty sessions. Manager Emeritus K0EDH put out the Sept. TWN Bulletin while W6FFO took a vacation.

*Transcontinental Corps.* The hearts of all of us go out in sympathy to W0BDR, TCC-Central Director, who recently lost his XYL, Tina. Although not licensed, Tina was one of us. She accompanied Russ to conventions and ham-fests, listened intently to all the talk, much of which must have been incomprehensible at first, and got to know the sound of certain voices. At home she listened to Russ handling traffic and reporting into nets and soon knew who was who just by the sound of their signals and fists. We're going to miss Tina, but hope Russ will be back with us soon.

September reports.

Area	Functions	% Successful	Traffic	Out-of-Net Traffic
Eastern	99	71.7	1431	451
Pacific	113	85.0	1978	1001
Summary	212	74.2	3409	1452

The TCC roster: Eastern area (W1SAMU, Dir.) -- W7s AW EMG NJM OBR SMU WEF, K2SSX, K3IMP, W3s EML FAF WG WRE, W4DVT, W3s ELW UPH, VE2AZI, W1, Pacific Area (W6EOT, Dir.) -- W3ZHN, K0s DYX GID, W6s EOT HC, W4s ROF GRG, K7s NWP IEY, W7s DZX GMC, K0s DTK EDH, W0s WME WHE BES KQD.

ELECTION NOTICE

(To all ARRL members residing in the Sections listed below.)

You are hereby notified that an election for Section Communications Manager is about to be held in your respective Section. This notice supersedes previous notices.

Nominating petitions are solicited. The signatures of five or more ARRL full members of the Section concerned, in good standing, are required on each petition. No member shall sign more than one petition.

Each candidate for Section Communications Manager must have been a licensed amateur for at least two years and similarly a full member of the League for at least one continuous year immediately prior to his nomination.

Petitions must be in West Hartford, Conn., on or before noon on the closing dates specified. In cases where no valid nominating petitions were received in response to previous notices, the closing dates are set ahead to the dates given herewith. The complete name, address, and station call of the candidate should be included with the petition. It is advisable that eight or ten full-member signatures be obtained, since on checking names against Headquarters files, with no time to return invalid petitions for additions, a petition may be found invalid by reasons of expiring memberships, individual signers uncertain or ignorant of their membership status etc.

The following nomination form is suggested. (Signers will please add city and street addresses to facilitate checking membership.)

Communications Manager, ARRL. (place and date)  
38 La Salle Road, West Hartford, Conn.

We, the undersigned full members of the .....  
..... ARRL Section of the .....  
Division, hereby nominate .....  
as candidate for Section Communications Manager for this  
Section for the next two-year term of office.

Elections will take place immediately after the closing dates specified for receipt of nominating petitions. The ballots mailed from Headquarters to full members will list in alphabetical sequence the names of all eligible candidates.

You are urged to take the initiative and file nominating petitions immediately. This is your opportunity to put the man of your choice in office.

— F. B. Handy, Communications Manager

Section	Closing Date	SCM	Present Term Ends
San Joaquin Valley	Dec. 11, 1961	Ralph Saroyan	Oct. 10, 1961
East Bay	Dec. 11, 1961	B. W. Southwell	Oct. 14, 1961
Manitoba	Dec. 11, 1961	M. S. Watson	Dec. 10, 1961
New Mexico	Dec. 11, 1961	Newell F. Greene	Feb. 10, 1962
Eastern New York	Dec. 11, 1961	George W. Tracy	Feb. 10, 1962
Virginia	Dec. 11, 1961	Robert L. Follmar	Feb. 11, 1962
Maritime	Dec. 11, 1961	D. E. Weeks	Feb. 15, 1962
South Carolina	Dec. 11, 1961	Dr. J. O. Dunlap	Mar. 4, 1962
Northern New Jersey	Dec. 11, 1961	J. Sparks Remeezky	Deceased
Alaska	Jan. 10, 1962	John P. Trent	Mar. 10, 1962
Georgia	Jan. 10, 1962	William F. Kennedy	Mar. 18, 1962
North Carolina	Feb. 9, 1962	B. Riley Fowler	Apr. 11, 1962
Tennessee	Feb. 9, 1962	R. W. Ingraham	Apr. 15, 1962
Arizona	Feb. 9, 1962	Kenneth P. Cole	Apr. 15, 1962
Washington	Feb. 9, 1962	Robert B. Thurston	Apr. 30, 1962
Louisiana	Mar. 9, 1962	Thomas J. Morgavi	May 31, 1962

ELECTION RESULTS

Valid petitions nominating a single candidate as Section Manager were filed by members in the following Sections completing their election in accordance with regular League policy, each term of office starting on the date given.

Wisconsin	Kenneth A. Ebacter, K9GSO	Oct. 10, 1961
Rhode Island	John E. Johnson, K1AAV	Oct. 12, 1961
Saskatchewan	Jack Robinson, VE5BL	Dec. 10, 1961
Mississippi	Floyd C. Treason, W5MUG	Dec. 10, 1961
Alabama	Harvell V. Tilley, K4PHH	Dec. 14, 1961
Western Florida	Frank M. Butler, Jr., W4RKH	Dec. 15, 1961
Illinois	Edmond A. Metzger, W9PRN	Dec. 10, 1961

In the Arkansas Section of the Delta Division, Mr. Odu L. Musgrove, K5CIR, and Mr. Richard L. Hoyt, W5RIT, were nominated. Mr. Musgrove received 98 votes and Mr. Hoyt received 56 votes. Mr. Musgrove's term of office began Oct. 13, 1961.

In the San Diego Section of the Southwestern Division, Mr. Don Stansifer, W6LRU, and Mr. Roy R. Maxson, W6DEY, were nominated. Mr. Stansifer received 350 votes and Mr. Maxson received 202 votes. Mr. Stansifer's term of office began Oct. 15, 1961.



W3BPZ, Bob Dressell, EC for Lehigh County (Allentown), Pa., at the key of his station.

## 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 channels will be monitored for emergency traffic. At other times, these frequencies can be used as general calling frequencies to expedite general traffic movement between amateur stations. Emergency traffic has precedence. After contact has been made the frequency should be vacated immediately to accommodate other callers.

The following are the National Calling and Emergency Frequencies for Canada: c.w. — 3535, 7050, 14,060; phone — 3765, 14,160, 28,250 kc.

### SUGGESTED RTTY OPERATING FREQUENCIES

3620, 7040, 14,090, 21,090 kc.

### GMT CONVERSION

To convert to local times subtract the following hours:

ADST - 3, AST - 4, EDST - 4, EST - 5, CDST - 5, CST - 6, MDST - 6, MST - 7, PDST - 7, PST - 8, Honolulu - 10, Central Alaska - 10.

## CODE PROFICIENCY PROGRAM

Twice each month special transmissions are made to enable you to qualify for the ARRL Code Proficiency Certificate. The next qualifying run from W1AW will be made Dec. 16 at 0230 GMT. Identical tests will be sent simultaneously by automatic transmitters on 3555, 7080, 14,100, 21,075, 28,080, 50,700, and 145,800 kc. The next qualifying run from W6OWP only will be transmitted Dec. 7 at 0500 Greenwich Mean Time on 3590 and 7129 kc. **CAUTION:** Note that since the dates are given per Greenwich Mean Time, Code Proficiency Qualifying Runs in the United States and Canada actually fall on the evening previous to the date given. *Example:* In converting, 0230 GMT Dec. 16 becomes 2130 EST Dec. 15.

Any person can 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.

W1AW conducts code practice daily at 0230 GMT on all frequencies listed above with speeds of 15, 20, 25, 30, and 35 w.p.m. on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, and at 5, 7½, 10, and 13 w.p.m. other days. Approximately 10 minutes' practice is given at each speed. To check your copy, the texts used on several transmissions are listed below. The order of words in each line of QST text is sometimes reversed. To improve your fist, try to send in step with W1AW.

Date	Subject of Practice Text from Oct. QST
Dec. 5:	<i>Waging War on Malpero Island</i> , p. 18
Dec. 8:	<i>A Filament Choke for Grounded-Grid</i> . . . , p. 48
Dec. 13:	<i>A Junk Key</i> , p. 51
Dec. 21:	<i>A Complete Two-Band Station</i> . . . , p. 28
Dec. 23:	<i>A Novice Three-Band Antenna System</i> , p. 54
Dec. 27:	<i>Performance Tests on the Big Wheel</i> . . . , p. 60
Dec. 29:	<i>Amateur Radio Report</i> , p. 66

## W1AW SCHEDULES

(December 1961)

### Operating-Visiting Hours

Monday through Friday: 3 P.M.-3 A.M. EST.  
Saturday: 7 P.M.-2.30 A.M. EST.  
Sunday: 3 P.M.-10.30 P.M. EST.

The ARRL Maxim Memorial Station welcomes visitors. The station address is 225 Main St., Newington, Conn., about 4 miles south of West Hartford. A map showing local street detail will be sent on request. The station will be closed Dec. 25, Christmas Day.

### Operating Frequencies

C.w.: 1820, 3555, 7080, 14,100, 21,075, 28,080, 50,700, 145,800 kc.  
Voice: 1820, 3945, 7255, 14,280 (s.s.b.), 21,330, 29,000, 50,700, 145,800 kc.

Frequencies may vary slightly from round figures given; they are to assist in finding the W1AW signal, not for exact calibrating purposes.

### Official Bulletins

Bulletins containing latest information on matters of general amateur interest are transmitted on the above frequencies according to the following schedule in Greenwich Mean Time:

C.w.: Monday through Saturday, 0100; Tuesday through Sunday, 0500.  
Voice: Monday through Saturday, 0200; Tuesday through Sunday, 0430.

**Caution:** Note that in the U. S. and Canada, because times are GMT, bulletin hours actually fall on the evening of the previous day.

## W1AW CONTACT SCHEDULE

Would you like to work W1AW? W1AW welcomes calls from any amateur station in accordance with the following schedule:

GMT	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
0030-0100	.....	.....	7255	.....	7080	.....	7255
0120-0200 <sup>1</sup>	.....	.....	7080	.....	7080 <sup>2</sup>	3555 <sup>2</sup>	7080
0210-0230 <sup>1</sup>	.....	.....	3945	50.7 Mc.	145.8 Mc.	3945	3945
0330-0430	.....	.....	3555	3945	7080	1820	3555
0440-0500 <sup>1</sup>	.....	.....	3945	14,280	3945	14,280	3945
0520-0600 <sup>1</sup>	.....	.....	3555 <sup>2</sup>	7255	3555	7080 <sup>2</sup>	3945
0600-0700	.....	.....	14,280	14,100	3555	14,100	.....
0700-0800	.....	.....	7255	3945	7080	3945	7255
2000-2100	.....	.....	14,280	21.28 Mc. <sup>3</sup>	14,100	.....	.....
2100-2200	.....	14,280	21.28 Mc. <sup>3</sup>	14,100	21.28 Mc. <sup>3</sup>	21,330	.....
2200-2300	.....	14,100	14,280	21,075 <sup>2</sup>	14,280	14,100	.....

<sup>1</sup> General-contact period on stated frequency begins immediately following transmission of Official Bulletin which begins at 0200 and 0430 on phone and at 0100 and 0500 on c.w. Starting time is approximate.

<sup>2</sup> W1AW will first listen for Novices before checking the rest of the band for other contacts.

<sup>3</sup> Operation will be conducted on either 21,075, 21,330, 28,080 or 29,000 kc.

## CLUB COUNCILS AND FEDERATIONS

Central California Radio Council, Rose Buckley, Secy., 901 Grafton Ave., San Francisco, Calif.

Cleveland Area Council Amateur Radio Clubs, Gertrude E. Maxim, W8OIS, Secy., 23614 Woodhill Drive, Berea, Ohio

Council of Amateur Radio Clubs of Delaware Valley, Adam M. Bodzioch, Jr., K3MEJ, Corr. Secy., 3355 Mercer St., Philadelphia 34, Pa.

Federation of Eastern Massachusetts Amateur Radio Associations, Eugene Hastings, W1VRK, Secy.-Treas., 23 Forrest Ave., Swampscott, Mass.

Indiana Radio Club Council, Inc., Doris Singer, K9IXD, Secy., 7070 East 21st St., Indianapolis, Ind.

Michigan Council of Clubs, Robert H. Pinder, K8NTE, Secy., 1277 Criecklewood Dr., S.W., Wyoming, Mich.

Ontario Amateur Radio Federation, Inc., A. K. Meen, VE3DAR, Secy., 19 Richmond St., W., Toronto 1, Ont., Canada

Puget Sound Council of Amateur Radio Clubs, William T. Brown, K7LED, Secy., 19687 Military Rd., So., Seattle 88, Wash.

Wisconsin Council of Radio Clubs, Dan F. Beyersdorf, Chairman, Lien Rd., Madison 4, Wisconsin

### A.R.R.L. AFFILIATED CLUB HONOR ROLL

We're pleased to present herewith the second section of our Club Honor Roll. The purpose is to extend special recognition to all those affiliated clubs whose *entire membership* consists of members of the League. (See page 81 of June '61 QST for the earlier listing.) Our Honor Roll includes all affiliates with 100 per cent ARRL membership and this listing includes the additions since June. The Honor Roll is prepared from data received in connection with each club's return of the Club Annual Report or survey form. In early

1962, probably in February, a new survey form will be sent every active ARRL-affiliated radio club calling for new annual filings in connection with continuing affiliation and our further QST listings. All the following-listed Honor Roll clubs now will receive our "100% ARRL club" certificate shortly after the distribution of this issue of QST:

Beacon Radio Amateurs, Philadelphia, Pa.  
Blossomland Amateur Radio Assn., Inc., St. Joseph, Mich.  
The Cleveland Twist Drill Amateur Radio Society, Cleveland, Ohio

Coffee Dunkers, Detroit, Mich.  
Columbus Amateur Radio Club, Inc., Columbus, Ga.  
Decatur Amateur Radio Club, Decatur, Ala.

The DX Club, Lansdale, Pa.  
Greene Amateur Radio Club, Greene, N.Y.  
Helix Amateur Radio Club, San Diego, Calif.  
Loudon County Amateur Radio Club, Lenoir City, Tenn.  
The Mahanoy Valley Brass Pounders Club, Mahanoy City, Pa.

Miami Valley Amateur Radio Contest Society, Centerville, Ohio

Montevideo Radio Club, Montevideo, Minn.  
Northeast Oklahoma Radio Amateurs, Vinita, Okla.  
Northwest St. Louis Amateur Radio Club, St. Louis, Mo.  
Providence Radio Association, Inc., Providence, R.I.  
Radio Association of Erie, Erie, Pa.  
The Reading Radio Club, Inc., Reading, Pa.  
The Saginaw Valley Amateur Radio Assn., Inc., Saginaw, Mich.

St. Louis Amateur Radio Club, Inc., St. Louis, Mo.  
South Bay Amateur Radio Society, Chula Vista, Calif.  
South Lyme Beer, Chowder and Propagation Society, South Lyme, Conn.

State Line Radio Club of New York and New Jersey, Montvale, N.J.

Sunrise Radio Club, Cambria Heights, N.Y.  
Valley Radio Club, Eugene, Ore.  
Victor Valley Amateur Radio Club, Victorville, Calif.  
Westside Amateur Radio Club, New Orleans, La.  
Windblowers VHF Society, Inc., Wyckoff, N.J.

### CONTEST NOTES

The following corrections are to be noted for the June V.H.F. QSO Party report of September QST. K2IXJ, 2, incorrectly listed in the Eastern Pennsylvania section, is the certificate winner for the Western New York section with a score of 9408 points. In the South Texas section the scores for K5LEP and W5TGQ were correct as listed, but should have been listed in reverse order with W5TGQ certificate-winner. Add the score of K8ETX with 1800-72-25-A to the Iowa section. WA6GAG was incorrectly identified in the photo on page 30 as WA6GNG. The Los Angeles section multiplier winner should have been listed as W6NSW 6.

In view of further documentary information from FCC, the phone score of K2DGT, reported in October QST as being disqualified from the 1961 ARRL DX Contest, is hereby ruled a valid entry. K2DGT's score is 75,000-112-225-C-60, thereby making him phone certificate winner for the N. Y. C.-L. I. section. The club score of the Lake Success Radio Club is therefore amended to 634,086, with K2DGT winner of the club's phone certificate.

Also in the DX Contest Results of October QST, W6LDD was mistakenly reported as the phone winner for the Northern California DX Club. W6SIA is the winner of that certificate and should have been so reported. Our apologies to these two fine gentlemen.

In the DX Contest Results (October QST) the phone score of K9MNO of 27,306 was erroneously listed in the c.w. results. K9MNO is, therefore, the phone certificate winner for the Kansas section.

### DXCC NOTES

Announcement is hereby made of the addition to the ARRL Countries List of *Kamran Islands*. The Kamran Islands are located in the Red Sea off the coast of Yemen. DXCC credit claims may be made for this addition starting February 1, 1962. Confirmations for contacts with the Kamran Islands must be dated November 15, 1945, or later. DXCC credit claims for this addition received before February 1, 1961, will be returned without credit.

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

(Dates shown are per GMT)

- Dec. 7: CP Qualifying Run — W6OWP
- Dec. 16: CP Qualifying Run — W1AW
- Jan. 5: CP Qualifying Run — W6OWP
- Jan. 6-7: V.H.F. Sweepstakes
- Jan. 13-15: CD Party (c.w.)
- Jan. 20: CP Qualifying Run — W1AW
- Jan. 20-22: CD Party (phone)
- Feb. 2-4: DX Competition (phone)
- Feb. 3-18: Novice Roundup
- Feb. 8: CP Qualifying Run — W6OWP
- Feb. 16 — Frequency Measuring Test
- Feb. 16-18: DX Competition (c.w.)
- Feb. 20: CP Qualifying Run — W1AW
- Mar. 2-4: DX Competition (phone)
- Mar. 16-18: DX Competition (c.w.)
- June 9-10: V.H.F. QSO Party
- June 23-24: Field Day

### OTHER ACTIVITIES

The following lists date, name, sponsor, and page reference of QST issue in which more details appear.

- Dec. 2-3: 21/28 Mc. Telephony Contest, RSCGB (p. 81, last month).
- Dec. 9-10: Kansas Centennial QSO Party, Kansas Federation of Amateur Radio Clubs (p. 128, last month).
- Dec. 9-10: New England QSO Party, Conn. Wireless Assn. (p. 132, last month).
- Dec. 10: Wisconsin QSO Party, Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club (p. 111, this issue).
- Jan. 20-21: Third New Mexico QSO Party (next issue).
- Jan. 20-21: Fifth Pennsylvania QSO Party (next issue).
- Jan. 27-28: New Hampshire QSO Party (next issue).
- Feb. 24-26: First Rhode Island QSO Party.

# DX Century Club

The following list contains the call letters and country totals of holders of the Postwar

DX Century Club Award who have submitted confirmations to ARRL for the period from October 1, 1959 thru September 30, 1961. QST space considerations make it necessary to limit the size of the list. The total number of DXCC certificates issued as of September 30, 1961 was 7959. Since the necessary space to run the complete DXCC Roster is not available, this list contains only the calls of those who have shown an active interest in their DXCC rating over the indicated 24 month period.

• 315 W2AGW W3JNN	W4QCW W7AMX W8JBI W8ATW G2PL W8JIN PY2CK	W6NNV HB9EU VK3KB	• 280 W1HX W1HZ W2JUW W2KUW W2LAX K2OEA W2NUT W2YTH W4AZK W4CFD W4FRV W4LWV W6CHV W6CFM W6QVW W6KEV W6UHA W8UPN W9ABA W9XUO W9QDF I1AMU	• 271 W11AS W2BBS W2CR W2ESO K2LNR W2NUT W3OP W4AZK W4OM W6CAE W6NJU W6NGO W8NGO W8QJR W8VQB DL7AA G3YF	K4AIM W4IMI W4OPM W7EJD W8GLK W9IU G3HLS	W6R1P W9GFF	• 257 W1WDD G6YQ ON4AU	W5PSB W5QVZ W6YK W7AH W8JSU W9QIY V78B G3FNN PY4ZS ZL1AH	VE3JZ DL7AB PA0LOU PA0RLF PY4AO TG9AD	W2TP K5KBB W9QYW VF7ZK DL1GU SM5CCE ZL1PV	W5CKT DL3BK G2MI YU1AG ZL1PV	W90TS W9QYV VF7ZK G4BS OK1CX SM5BCE	W2BMK W2DSU W2NOY W2SHC W2UWD K2ZKU W3NOH W4BBR W4JBQ K4RPK K4XO W4VZB W4RNP W5MCO W5CEC W6FUF W6TOT W7DAA W7PQA W9BFW W9HIN W9HQF VE2BV K0BIT DJ3JZ DL3ZI F8EJ HB9NJ OZ3Y VQ2GW	J8A9Q • 204 W1CKA W3QQL W4JLJ W4NNH K4RKP K48X W4VZB W5MCO W6FUF W6SRU W7DAA W7PQA W9BFW W9HIN W9HQF VE2BV K0BIT DJ3JZ DL3ZI F8EJ HB9NJ OZ3Y VQ2GW																		
• 314 W8JIN PY2CK	W3GAU W6YU W7ENW KV4AA	• 290 W3EPV W50LG K6ENX W6QNA W8KPL W9BFB DL3LL VE12W VK2DI	• 279 W1BL W2BRV K2DCA W2SNC W3OCU W3PGB W4BYU W4GXB K4PDP W4PLL W5BZT W5EGK W6GFM K6KII W6UOV W6WVW W8WZ W8YK VE7GI G6RH G1AKS	• 262 W2QJM W5MMD W6DQH W8ONA W6EPZ W6OBH W6SIA G13IVJ W6I7ZD W9YNB PY1HX SM3BIZ	• 256 W1OJR W4LZ W5PZL W8ONA VE6NX G13IVJ PY1GJ	• 249 W4BQY K4HNA W8NDR PA0TAU	• 248 W1TS W2EQS K9AGB W0ANF W9MKV W9TKV W9WFS W0AJU W0TJ VE2YU W9WIO ZS1RM	• 246 W1JB K2FC W5BUK W9UIG CN8JX	• 245 K4LHP W4BKY W8CQ E2ACA	• 239 W1CBZ W3KFC W6BIF W4HKA W6QK W6ATO W6BYB W7CMD W8DUS W8TJM W8WTF K9CJ W9EU W9RQM G3AIZ G3EYN W4LRN K8L8G W9U2S OZ7BG SM5AHLK	• 222 W1AEW K2QXG W3BQA W3EYF K4ICK K4HRG W8UMR W9PIO K9DQJ W6LN W0JW I1UA SM5CO ZS1BK	• 225 K6EDE G3BNPP	• 219 W1BGY W1TSL W3BCY K4YCW W8ILG W9EHW ZS1OU JA27D	• 223 W1AJG W1BFT W1WK W2KJZ W4GJV K5BGT W6ONK W9UQV HB9MX HB9UL OE1FF ST2AR ZL4BO	• 218 K2JGG W2R0M K20KQ W3VRJ W8ZJM	• 210 W2BIH W2KTR W3DBX W3LWY W5ERD W5RDI OE1FF ST2AR ZL4BO	• 217 W5ERY W5RDI W8L8X	• 216 W2QKJ W4EEO W8CB L18E W4HVV W3WJO W6JKO W6KG W6PLK W7ZAS W8LY W7CMD W8DUS W8TJM W8WTF K9CJ W9EU W9RQM G3AIZ G3EYN W4LRN K8L8G W9U2S OZ7BG SM5AHLK	• 215 W1FPH K2JYH W3AUL W4LPH W5NG K0HGB OZ8SS	• 214 W2GDX W6MVL K46QH W8MCC K9ATZ W9U9X K0RAL G3JAF	• 221 K1JDN W1JOP W1RAN W1UOP W2JB W4LRN K8L8G W9U2S OZ7BG SM5AHLK	• 220 W1NS W1OHA W1ORV W1QJR W1VAN K2IRO W3AXT W3GRS W3CKX W4JH K4KOY W5VIR W6RAN K8BLX W9BQE W9JJP	• 222 W2AZS W2BUI K4CTU W4JAT W91EV CB3HL DL7AP PY1DH SM5WJ	• 228 W2VYX W6LDJ W6PHZ W3KZQ W4BJ VE3PK W9DQW K9EAB VE3ATU VE6JR	• 227 W2AUY W2CKY	• 226 W2AYU W2CKY	• 220 W1WLV W2ZKQ W8KBT DL1BS DL1DC SA5TO	• 207 W1YPK W9MZR W5TPC W9QGR W9RH F9RM	• 208 W1NBV VE7CE W3YK K4DRO K5DGI K5KES K8IKB W9MPP W9WSP K9PPX W9QJR W9RH F9RM	• 206 K5AHZ W3MWC W4NT W5ARJ W9LBB W4JH F3FA J8AA OK1KTI ZL3AB	• 205 K2DGT K4JVE W8LAV K9CLO W9QAQ VF1WL VE2YA DL1DX DL1JW	• 200 W1WHW W1JTD W1MDO W2MZB W2PDB W2QPL W3DLS W3LPO



• All operating 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

**EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA**—SCM, Allen R. Breiner, W3ZRQ—SEC: DUI, RM: EML, PAM: IVS. We welcome the following new appointees: K3KTC and W3GJA as OPSS. 2UZN transfers from California as an OES. ELI was elected commander of his American Legion Post, OY attended the New York State Convention at Niagara. After two years NNL has been forced to give up the 3RN spot because of night school. 4DVT is applying for a 3rd district call and hopes it's something he can send on c.w. PUY and XYL Hilda have now joined the Red Cross "Three Gallon Donor Club." New Gear Dept.: 1D a new HRO. NOH a 75A-3, K3NLW a triband vertical and a 20-meter dipole. HNK received the WANJ Award. Ole' timer ADE joined the QCWA. EML became a grandpoo for the fourth time. The teachings of K3LAM resulted in new Novices KN3QGV, QGT, QCQ and PKN, all in the Lebanon Area. New club officers: University of Penna. ARC—K3EMD, pres.; BWI, vice-pres.; K3JTE, secy.; JXS, treas. Mahanoy Valley Brass Pounders ARC—CUK, pres.; K3LEE, vice-pres.; K3KNR, secy.; K3KNP, treas.; ORJ, act. mgr. The Hilltop Transmitting Society—K3COA, pres.; K3CVM, vice-pres.; HLD, secy.; APF, treas. The West Philadelphia Radio Assn.—K3ITD, pres.; K3EID, vice-pres.; KN3PWW, secy.; Mrs. D. Ambrosia, treas. Short Skip RC—2ILN, pres.; K3AWD, vice-pres.; ZQP, secy.; ZPK, treas.; DVB, act. mgr. K3CNN is running 150 watts on 2 meters. K3JJJ converted his Gonset I for mobile use. K3ADS is operating on 220 Mc. K3LKR is on 432 Mc. and is looking for other stations for frequency checks. ZJD has been accepted at LaSalle University as a pre-med student. K4LPR/3 is cramped for antenna space and now is using a trap antenna. IVS and K3GSU stopped at your SCM's shack while on an extended tour which took them to Western Pennsylvania. Once again we were threatened by a lady called "Esther" in the form of a hurricane. The traffic nets stood by throughout the night in case it made its way to our area. In behalf of the League, its officials and myself, Merry Christmas to all and a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Traffic: (Sept.) W3CUL 3429, EML 770, VR 713, K3IMP 433, W3FAF 206, W4DVT 143, W3IHU 109, HNK 98, AXA 84, ZRQ 67, K3BHU 40, HTZ 40, JXN 40, MVO 36, KTC 23, CAH 21, W3NNL 19, BFF 14, EU 10, OY 10, BNU 9, ITZ 9, K3KNL 7, W3ITI 6, K3NLW 6, W3NQB 4, OML 3, BNR/6 1, ELI 1. (Aug.) W3IVS 1146.

**MARYLAND-DELAWARE-DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**—SCM, Thomas B. Hedgoc, W3BKE—Asst. SCM Delaware: M. N. Nelson, jr., K3GKF. SEC: CVE. MDD Traffic Net meets on 3650 kc. at 0015 GMT daily; MDDSS (slow) Net on 3650 kc. at 0130 GMT daily; AEPN (phone) Net on 3820 kc. at 2300 GMT weekdays and 1800 GMT Sat./Sun. September appointments: HQE as Asst. EC for PG County; K3JYZ as RAI for MDD/3RN liaison; K3AXW and W4JNE/3 as ORS; K3OGA and K3OWX as OFES; K3AXW and K3EST as OBS. The Washington RC meets the 1st Fri. of each month and welcomes all visitors. K3ANA is now operating portable from Michigan, where he is attending school. BUD reports the St. Marys ARC has purchased a 2-kw. emergency generator. EC K3BYJ says the New Castle County AREC 6-meter mobiles served as emergency communication for the town of Elsmere, Del. CDQ reports she is ready for heavy winter schedule. The Foundation meets the 1st Thurs. of each month and is already laying plans for the Guithersburg Hamfest to be held next September. CFA reports the First State ARC (Del.) operated K3QBD from a prominent show window for two days. New officers of the PVRC are GRF, pres.; 4ZM, vice-pres.; IFO, secy.; K4ORQ,

treas. SV0WK/5A1TX was a speaker at its Sept. 25 meeting. K3CNI helped K3GKF set up emergency equipment for the hurricane scare. K3CXX passed his Extra Class exam and now has a tribander. At its Sept. 13 meeting the Baltimore ARC had a speaker from Hallicrafters. K3CYA/3 sends in a nice traffic count by Air Mail. ECP helped activate PZA during Hurricanes Carla and Esther, and reports the ROTC group at Johns Hopkins now operates K3OHH. EEB is providing a Delaware outlet for MDD. EOY spent considerable time relaying storm bulletins during the hurricane alerts. EQK received a severe electrical shock through his headphones while working on the transmitter and spent two days in the hospital. He advises his friends to Switch to Safety. W4EXM/3 retired from the USAF after 23 years of service. K3GEX is now back at the U. of Delaware. K3GZK keeps MDDSS going steadily. K3HDW is moving to a new QTH. K3EJD has a new 6-meter beam. HKS is helping to keep the Delaware boys active. HQE is getting a new 40-meter beam ready for the winter. K3IZM is building 2-meter handie-talkies. K3JIQ has 10 countries on 80 meters. K3JYZ turns in his usual good traffic count. KHA likes CD Parties. K3KHK has finished building new mobile gear. EC LDD is helping to organize the Havre de Grace AC. K3LFD is busy with MDD and 3RN activities. K3LLR is now weather observer for the MDD AREC. K3LWD is active on 50-Mc. MCG has reactivated the MDD Net Bulletin and reports net control positions are available. GRF now has a three-element 80-meter quad. K3MDI has mobile on his scooter. EC MVB sent a fine AREC bulletin to all D.C. amateurs. K3NCM passed the General Class exam. K3NKK is now back on from Baltimore. K3OGA has a new three-band vertical. K3OWX reports KN3RBM as a new Baltimore amateur. TN maintains his high level of traffic activity. UE is now dividing time between 3RN and his new job. K3WBJ checks in from Walter Reed Hospital. YZI reports plenty of s.s.b. DX. ZAQ remains the section's leading QO. ZNW is trying to squeeze a mobile rig into his Fiat 600. Traffic: (Sept.) K3JYZ 154, LFD 139, W3TN 95, MCG 77, UE 76, K3CYA 68, W3ZNV 50, K3WBJ 42, W3ECP 40, K3MZY 34, GZK 31, W3HQE 21, OHI 20, EOY 19, HUI 18, K3BYJ 15, W3BKE 12, EEB 12, K3JIQ 10, KHK 10, LWD 7, W3EQK 4, K3NCM 4, W3OYX 4, K3HDV 3, OGA 3. (Aug.) K3JIQ 18, W3HQE 15, JFR 11.

**SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY**—SCM, Herbert C. Brooks, K2BGC—SEC: K2ARY, RAIs: W2BZJ, W2Z1 and W2HDW. New appointment: W2LBL, Lawrenceville, as OBS. W42VAT, Audubon, is QRL on NJN and 2RX. W2RC, Merchantville, enjoyed a visit to Vermont. N.J. Phone Net totals for Sept.: Sessions 30, QNT 578 and traffic 112. The net plans to hold its 4th Annual Dinner near Freehold. Contact W2Z1 or K2SLG for information. W2AKWB has received the WAS certificate. The Bridge-Town Area Radio Club has a new code and theory class with 17 students. Millville has a new 2-meter c.d. net. W2BAY and W2II are making antenna repairs. W3YLL, formerly of Philadelphia, is now slant 2 in Cinnaminson. W2HBE won 1st prize in SJRA's Field Day Photo Contest. W2REB was top S.N.J. scorer in the June V.H.F. QSO Party. K2UUY and W2AFZ have new tribanders. W2SUA's new QTH is Sewell. Gloucester County ARC plans to resume code classes at Pitman HS. The club meets in Glassboro. W2EIF, Camden, continues to do a fine job as OO. W2OSD, Erlton, is SJRA's Sweep-takes chairman. K2ECY, Riverton and K2MOV, Delaware, expect to operate from KX6-Land this fall. Burlington County Radio Officer K2HJY plans a meeting of RACES and AREC personnel to coordinate the efforts of the two organizations. The county station is K2QGE, located in Mt. Holly. Reports from Cape May and Mercer Counties are solicited. K2CPR continues his DX- and certificate-chasing. Fifteen Form 1 reports were received. Keep up the fine work. Change in club officers and election reports will be appreciated. Publicity will add greatly to your club's coverage and service. We will be very glad to help through this column. Traffic: W42VAT 234, W2RG 97, W2HJD 60, W2Z1 38, K2RXB 21, K2CPR 12, W2AKWB 8, K2SOX 7, W2ARJ 4, W2MFEQ 2.

**WESTERN NEW YORK**—SCM, Charles T. Hansen, K2HUK—SEC: W2LXE. RAIs: W2RUF, W2E7B and W2FEB. PAM: W2PVI, NYS C.W. meets on 3615 kc. at 1900, ESS on 3590 kc. at 1800, NYSPTEN on 3925 kc. at 1800. NYS C.D. on 3510.5 and 3993 kc. (s.s.b.) at 0900  
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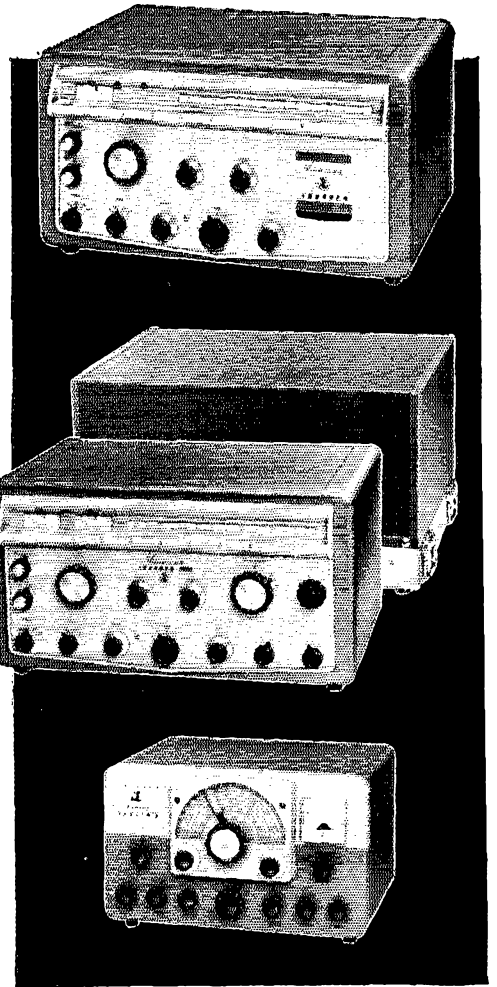
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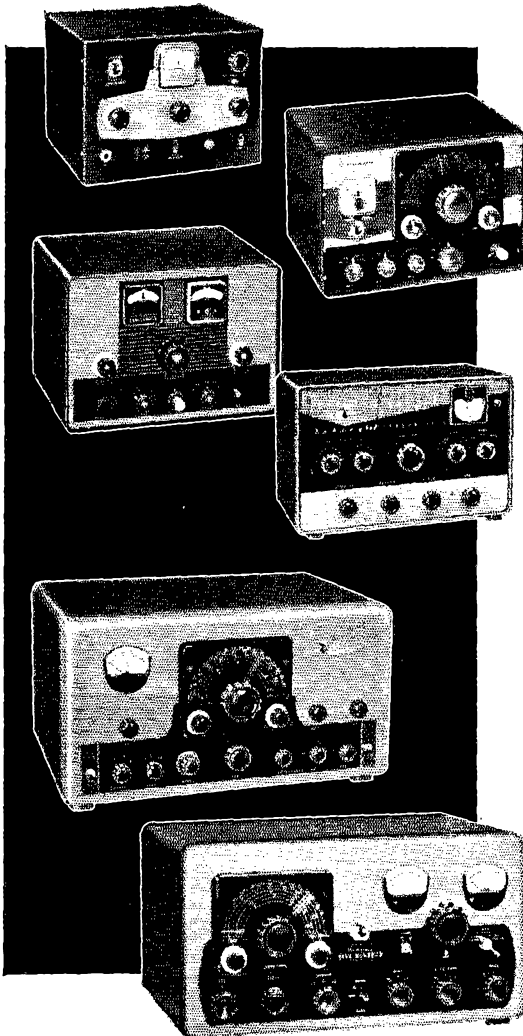


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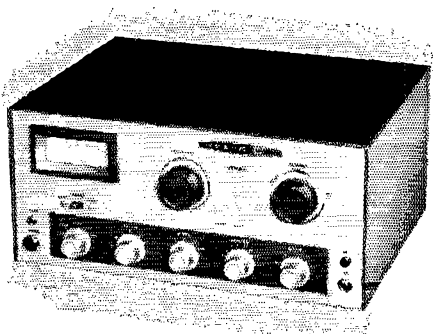
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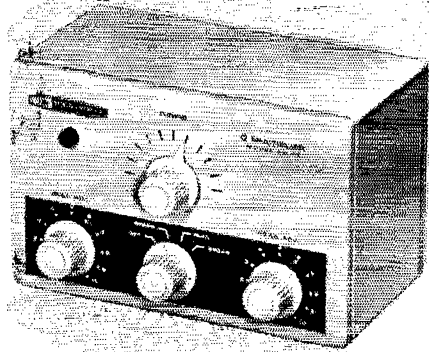
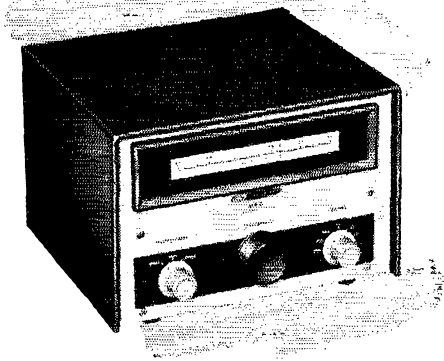
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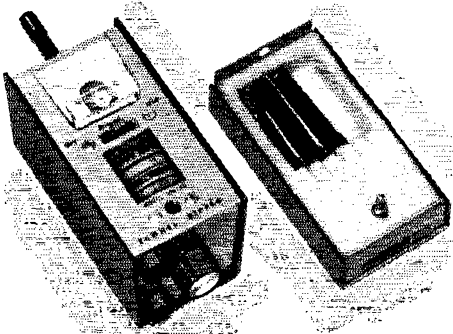
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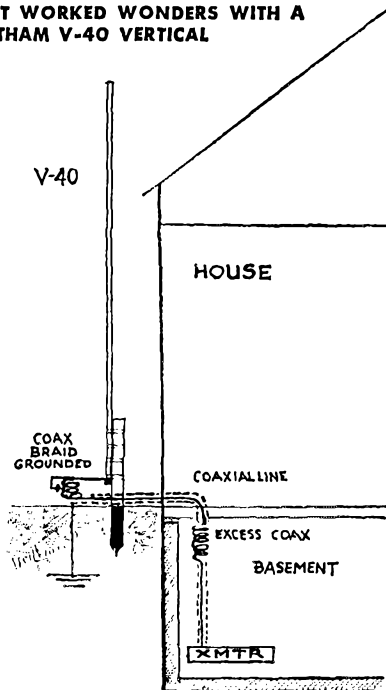
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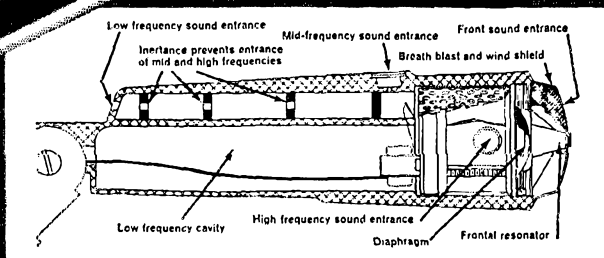
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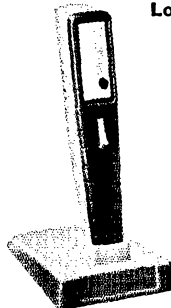
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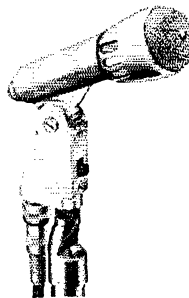
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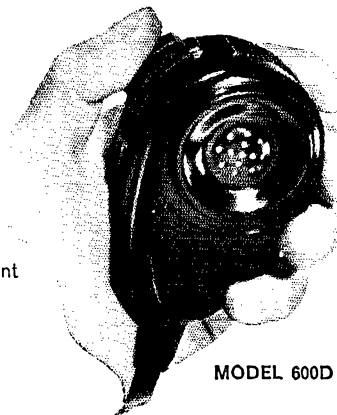
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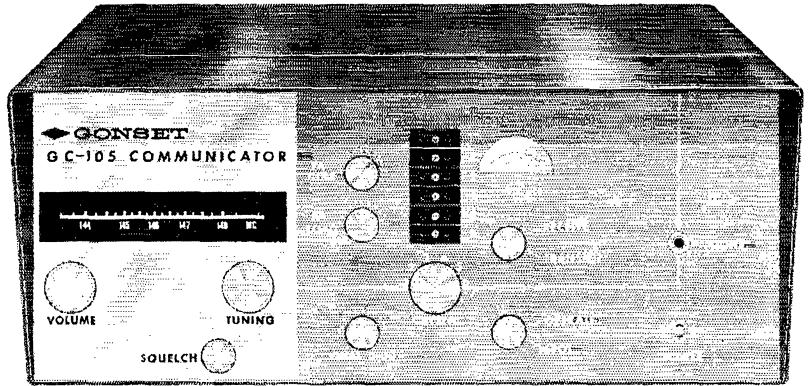
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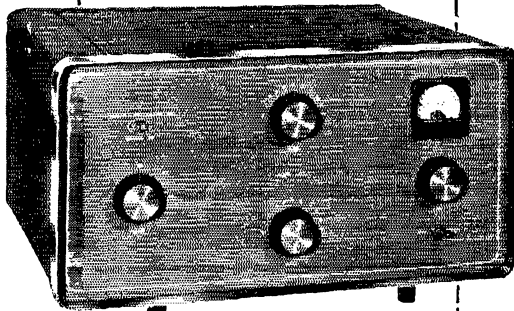
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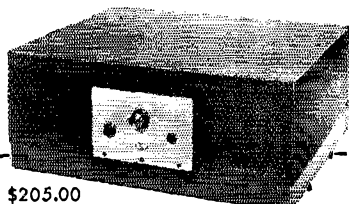


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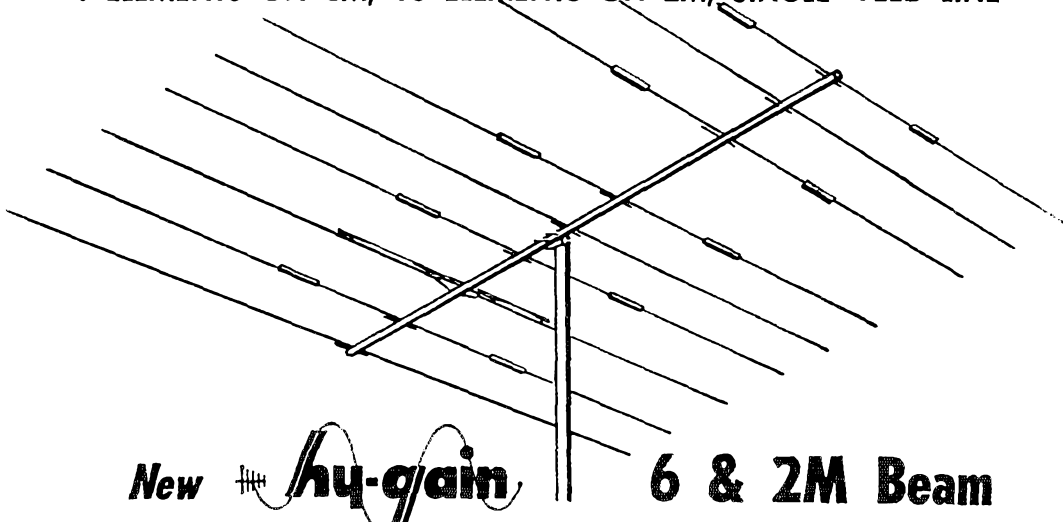
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# VHF DUOBANDER

4 ELEMENTS ON 6M, 18 ELEMENTS ON 2M, SINGLE FEED LINE



**New**  **6 & 2M Beam**

The new hy-gain Model DB-62 is a single transmission line beam antenna system for 6 and 2 meter operation. It is fed with 52 ohm coax transmission line and develops a forward gain of 8.0 db on 6 meters and 15.0 db on 2 meters.

The front to back ratio averages 15 to 20 db and SWR will remain below 1.5 to 1 on both bands.

The antenna is ruggedly constructed of 1 1/4" O.D. aluminum boom and 7/16" O.D. elements and is factory preassembled.

Net weight, 8.5 lbs.; boom length 10 ft.; longest element 10 ft.

Model DB-62 **\$32<sup>95</sup>**

## HY-GAIN COMPLETE VHF LINE OF ANTENNAS

**2 Meter, 5 Element.** Model 25 is extremely light weight, factory pre-tuned and easy to assemble. Either coax or parallel fed. Beta match. Boom 5'4"; longest element 41-3/4". 9.0 db gain. Wt. 2 lbs. **\$ 8.95**

**2 Meter, 10 Element.** Model 210 develops tremendous forward gain, excellent front to back. Can be rotated by any TV rotator. Coax or parallel fed. Boom 12'; longest element 41-3/4" Beta Match. 13.4 db gain. Wt. 5 lbs. **\$14.95**

**1 1/4 Meter, 11 Element.** Pre-tuned folded ratio dipole for low loss 450 ohm open wire transmission lines with the Model 111. Optimum spacing and high Q element design. Boom 12'; longest element 27". 14.2 db gain. Wt. 4 lbs. **\$13.95**

**3/4 Meter, 13 Element.** The Model 313 is specifically designed for 430 mc operation. Boom 8'; longest element 13-3/4". 16.1 db gain. Wt. 2 1/4 lbs. **\$12.95**



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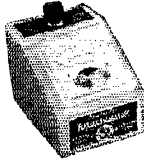
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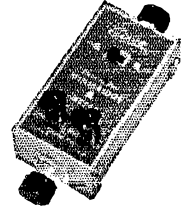
CM-52  
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Phase Unit  
CM-52-2 and CM-75-2



CM-52-2 and  
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CL-52-72

### STANDING WAVE REFLECTOMETERS MODELS CM-52 AND CM-75

Employs mutual inductance and capacity coupling between linear conductors for continuous measurement of standing waves on transmission lines. For continuous line insertion 25 to 1,000 watts at frequencies from 3 to 200 mc. Will operate on power input of 10 watts, 7 mc and up. Requires only five watts input, 25 mc and up. Line insertion loss, less than 1 db at 30 mc. Ideal for inserting into coax feed lines at antenna for visual reading in SWR while making antenna adjustments; SWR observed immediately, at all times, without adjustment of reflectometer. No balancing adjustments, no reversing. Prevents false loading from antenna tuner, match box, pi network, etc. Reduces line reflection, making possible increased radiated power. Uses 0-100  $\mu$ a meter calibrated directly in standing wave ratio and relative power. Each unit hand calibrated and perfectly balanced. Includes loading control and forward to reflected power reversing toggle switch. With 83-1R (80-239) connectors at each end. Gray hammertone aluminum case. 3" w. x 2 1/4" d. x 5 1/4" h. Shipped with key-type mounting on back and full instructions.

**Cesco Model CM-52 (52-ohm coax line) or CM-75 \$29.95**  
(75-ohm coax line)—Net Each

**Cesco Model CM-75 Equipped With UG-58U Connector—Net Each.....\$34.95**

### MODELS CM-52-2 AND CM-75-2

Dual units identical electrically to CM-52 and CM-75 but built in two units for remote control. Comes with 10 ft. cable and plug wired to control and indicator unit. Either 52-ohm or 75-ohm phase unit may be used with control and indicator unit; permits purchasing second phase unit separately, when desired. Size, Control Unit, 3 1/2" w. x 2 1/4" x 2 1/4" with sloping panel; Phase Unit, 2 1/4" w. x 2 1/4" d. x 5 1/4" h.

**Cesco Model CM-52-2 (52-ohm coax line) or CM-75-2 \$34.95**  
(75-ohm coax line)—Net Each

**Cesco Model CM-75-2 Equipped With UG-58U Connector—Net Each.....\$38.95**

**Cesco Model CM-52-2 or CM-75-2 Phase Unit—Less control unit. Net Each.....\$12.95**

**Cesco Model CM-52-2 or CM-75-2 Special—Same as standard dual unit except with control panel for Collins grille or built-in installation. Net Each.....\$34.95**

### MODEL CL-52-72 MINIBRIDGE

Resistive type unit for observing standing waves when adjusting antenna matching networks. For use on 52, 72 or 75 ohm coax

lines and small amounts of RF excitation or grid dip oscillator. Requires use of external indicator, such as 0-100  $\mu$ a meter (as in Simpson multi-meter). Hammertone gray aluminum case, 2 1/4" w. x 1 1/2" d. x 4 1/4" h. Complete with instructions, SWR graph and antenna tuning procedures.

**Cesco Model CL-52-72—Net Each.....\$12.95**

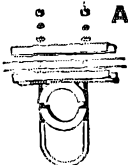
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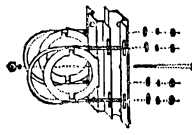
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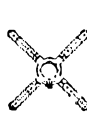
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For element sizes 1/2" to 1 1/2" in diameter and booms 1 1/2" to 3" in diameter. All components are completely interchangeable, permitting element and boom selection to your requirements. For continuous or cut elements at center; all channel lock assembly. Always specify element size and boom size when ordering. **\$2.29** Net Each.....

#### UNIVERSAL BOOM MOUNTING

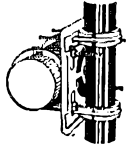
For boom sizes 1 1/2" to 3" in diameter and 1 1/2" or 1 1/4" masts. Complete mounting consists of two mast plates (1 1/2" or 1 1/4"), two boom yokes, two "U" bolts. Specify mast and boom sizes when ordering. Net Each..... **\$5.95**

#### QUAD MOUNT

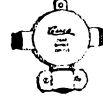
One-piece, durable, aluminum alloy cast spider for mounting quad arms to boom. Angle shaped spiders permit use of bamboo or aluminum tubing of 1" to 1 1/4" diameter. Clamp-type, 2" diameter hub can be adjusted after assembly. Boom drilling **\$6.95** not required. Net Each.....

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For water pipe or tubing mast, 2" to 3" O.D. All channel lock assembly. For single or stacked arrays. Consists of one mounting plate, four yokes and four "U" bolts. (Specify **\$8.95** mast or pipe size when ordering.) Net.....



#### COAX DIPOLE DRI-FIT CONNECTOR



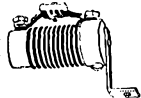
Ideal connector for dipole antennas. Completely moisture-proof, one-piece aluminum alloy construction. Handles power to maximum legal limits. Can be installed easily in a few minutes. For use with coaxial cables RG-8, RG-58, RG-11 or RG-59, or with 300-ohm twin lead. Has eye pull up for **\$2.95** inverted V's. Weight, 2 oz. Net Each.....

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Tunable filter for 6, 12 or 24 volt generators; stops noise in mobile gear caused by generator brushes. For aircraft, amateur, C-B and industrial mobile uses. Conservatively rated at 30 amps. Phenolic coil form, brass hardware and die cast mtg. bracket. Easily installed.

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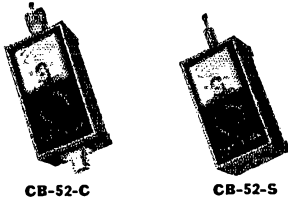


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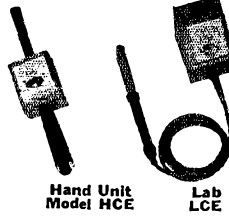
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Mobile Model MC

## FIELDOMETERS



Hand Unit Model HCE

Lab LCE

## ADAPTER



Multitester Adapter MCP

### CITIZENS BAND TRANSICHECK

Test instrument, designed for use with Citizens' Band transmitters, checks transmitter power output and antenna efficiency. Can be used for resonating or tuning power output plate circuit and adjusting antenna loading capacitor to assure maximum output. Ideal for determining accuracy of 50-ohm coaxial transmission line match to the antenna. Outer scale on meter indicates SWR, match or mismatch of transmission line to antenna; lower scale, graduated 1-5, indicates power output and permits observing output when adjusting antenna plate circuit and loading capacitor. Comes complete with drawings and information on applications and use. Hammett finish, aluminum case 4 1/2" h. x 2 3/4" w. x 1 1/2" d.

**Cesco Model CB-52-C**—With coax connector. Net Each. **\$19.95**  
**Cesco Model CB-52-S**—Auto spade connector. Net Each **\$18.95**

### CESCO FIELDOMETERS

Wide spectrum, sensitive field strength analyzer and field measuring device works satisfactorily at 1 kc to 1000 mc radiated frequencies, without use of plug-in coils. Sensitive 0-100  $\mu$ a meter withstands heavy shock without damage. Ultra-sensitive models also available. Shunt-type sensitivity control prevents off-scale readings or overload in strong fields.

### MODEL MC FIELDOMETER

For mobile, amateur, police, aircraft and industrial uses. Ideal for tune-up, indicates transmitted signal at all times. Has capacity wand, sensitivity control and  $\mu$ a meter. U-shaped mounting bracket fits dash at windshield rim or rear-view mirror. Pivoted case 3 1/2" h. x 2 3/4" w. x 1 1/2" d.

**Cesco Model MC**—Net Each. **\$24.95**

### MODELS HCE AND HCE-20 FIELDOMETERS

Portable hand unit of fixed-capacity type with 0-100  $\mu$ a meter and sensitivity control on handle end. Capacity wand and components covered by screw-on 4 1/4" lf. plastic cover. Handle 4 1/2" long. Provision made for plug-in interchange for capacity wand to electrostatic, peak resonant broad-skirted wands (available on special order for any specified frequency). Case size same as Model MC.

**Cesco Model HCE**—Net Each. **\$29.95**  
**Cesco Model HCE-20**—Same as above, but with ultra-sensitive 0-20  $\mu$ a meter. Net Each. **\$44.95**

### MODELS LCE AND LCE-20 FIELDOMETERS

Same as Model HCE, except designed for laboratory use. Indicator and sensitivity controls mount in portable, slanted meter case 3 3/4" h. x 2 1/4" w. x 2 3/4" d. Comes with corded probe four ft. long and capacity wand (convertible to electrostatic type with plug-in resonant wand available).

**Cesco Model LCE**—Net Each. **\$29.95**  
**Cesco Model LCE-20**—Same as above, but with ultra-sensitive 0-20  $\mu$ a meter. Net Each. **\$44.95**

### MODEL MCP PROBE ADAPTER

Corded probe, capacitive-type adapter for use with any multitester with a basic movement of 0-50 or 0-100  $\mu$ a. Meter must be brought to separate terminals (as found on Simpson Model 260 and similar types).

**Cesco Model MCP**—Net Each. **\$12.95**

### PLUG-IN RESONANT WANDS

Available for any special, requested frequency. Broad skirted, peak resonant plug-in design.

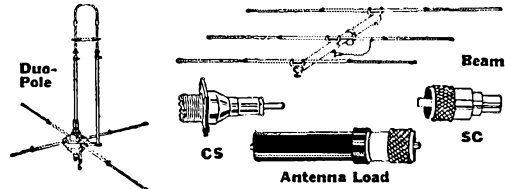
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## CITIZENS BAND ANTENNAS AND ACCESSORIES

### DUO-POLE GROUND PLANE ANTENNA

Delivers broad, equal, groundwave circular coverage for good communications even with low power output. Aircraft aluminum construction. Grounded quarter-wave foldback lightning safety factor. Adjustable element ringer locks. Factory resonated at 27.085 or channel 11; works well over all channels with low VSWR, 1.2:1 or less. Special feedline terminals included in mounting. Nominal base impedance, 52 ohms. Shipping carton only 68" long. Shipping Weight, 7 1/2 lbs.

**Cesco Duo-Pole Antenna**—Net Each. **\$29.97**  
**Industrial Version, 25-175 mc.** Also Available at Same Price.



### C-B BEAM ANTENNAS

Factory pre-tuned beam antenna has exclusive Aeromatch for increased power output. Extruded aluminum tubing with 1 1/4" boom; elements have 1/2" dia. center sections, 3/8" dia. inserts. Elements mount either horizontally or vertically. Resonated at 27.085 mc; low SWR. Assembles in minutes with permanently secured locking rings. Lightweight; will rotate with any TV rotator. Shipping carton only 86" long.

- Cesco 3-Element Beam**—Gain 7 db; boom 10' long. **\$29.95**  
Shipping Weight, 8 lbs. Net Each. . . . .
- Cesco 4-Element Beam**—Gain, 8 db; boom 15' long. **\$39.95**  
Shipping Weight, 11 lbs. Net Each. . . . .
- Cesco 5-Element Beam**—Gain, 9 db; boom 20' long. **\$49.95**  
Shipping Weight, 13 1/2 lbs. Net Each. . . . .

### QUAD ARM KITS

Permits easy fabrication of durable, cubical quad antenna. Each arm has one 1 1/4" aluminum section with end swaged to 1" dia., plus one or two fiberglass telescoping sections. Stainless steel clamp holds fiberglass section to aluminum tube. Detailed instruction book supplied.

- Cesco Model QB-2 Quad Arm Kit**—With eight arms of one section aluminum tubing and one section fiberglass, each. **\$59.95**  
Makes 10- and 15-meter quad antenna. Net Each. . . . .
- Cesco Model QB-3 Quad Arm Kit**—Same, but with two sections of fiberglass per arm, and an epoxy resin kit for joining the fiberglass tubes. Makes 10-, 15- and 20-meter quad or single 20- meter antenna. Net Each. . . . . **\$89.95**

### CABLE ADAPTERS

**Cesco Model CS**—Permanent connector consists of 83-TR, SO-239 coaxial socket and auto radio type spade plug. One-piece construction. Net Each. **\$1.29**  
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Non-inductive 52-ohm substitute antenna load has adequate power rating for any C-B transceiver in the 26-27 mc range. Ideal for testing and repairing citizens' band units. Also useable as a coaxial line terminator.

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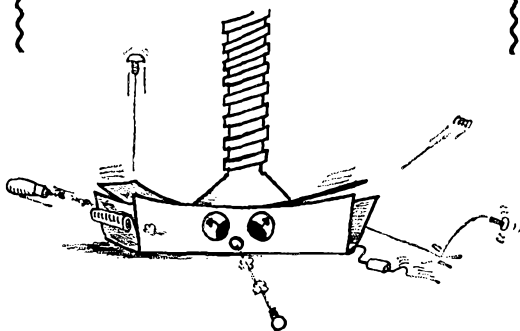
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Sun., TCPN 2nd call area on 3970 kc. at 1900. IPN on 3980 kc. at 1600. 2RN at 2345 and 0230 GMT on 3690 kc. The N.Y. State ARRL Convention sponsored by the Niagara Radio Club could have used more support by area hams, but the more than 300 who attended were impressed by the first-class job that was done on exhibits, program, arrangements and genuine hospitality extended to the delegates. The feature event was the presentation of a plaque to Clara Rezer, W2RUF, by W1UBD for her selection as New York State's outstanding amateur. Clara has been mgr. of the NYS C.W. Net for more than a decade and her spirit and devotion to ham radio is well appreciated by all. K2KNY won the code-receiving contest, K2KLP the best QSL card, W2LF the "Grand Old Man" Award and the program included W1ICP, W2GB, W2HPO, W2SAW, W2ICE, K2ITM, W2PFI, W2QY, W2UTH, W2OZR, W2LXE, K2HUK, W3YA and K2FG. K2AJY was convention chairman and his committee did an FB job. Don't miss the next one. Just returned from the Syracuse V.H.F. Roundup, which was the largest ever. There was over 600 in attendance including many VE3s, W1s, 3s, 4s, 8s, 9s and Os. The tramps won the third and final leg on the W.N.Y. V.H.F. Cup. The gang includes W2ALL, K2CEH, K2HIT and W2QY. W2FEB advises that NYS C.W. is looking for outlets in all parts of the state. You are welcome to call in. K2PBU has been appointed OPS; W4ZILF and K2KWK OESs. W2APM and W4ANE received their NYSPTEN certificates. The R4GS had its family picnic with over 100 in attendance. W2VSP reports that every OM won a prize. Both the phone and c.w. section nets could use more outlets so they could deliver messages more conveniently. The best solution is to tie in with established v.h.f. nets or form v.h.f. nets for this purpose. We used volunteers who are willing to take traffic from the section nets and then pass it on v.h.f. nets. All interested individuals or groups, please contact the SCM. Late Sept. congrats to K2GAO on June traffic (491). Traffic: (HPT.) W2OE 491, W2EZZB 339, W2FBH 177, W4ZCIC 150, K2QDT 147, K2SSX 121, W4CRH 58, W2FCG 35, K2RTQ 35, K2OFU 33, W4ZKQG 32, W2ZRC 29, W2PVI 27, W2RQF 24, K2RYH 15, K2KWK 14, K2PBU 14, W2QOE 12, K2EE 11, W4KZQ 11, W2WS 8, K2HOH 7, W4DAG 6, K2EQB 6, K2AFE 5, W4MCC 5, W2PGA 5, K2BBJ 4, W2QCI 4, K2TDG 4, W4AKVN 3, W4HEC 2, W2WUX 2. (June) K2GAO 491.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA—SCM, Anthony J. Mroczka, W3UHN—SEC: OMA, RMs: KUN and NUG. The WPA Traffic Net meets Mon. through Fri. at 0000 GMT on 3585 kc. The Keystone Slow Speed Net (KSSN) meets 2330 GMT on 3585 kc. Mon. through Fri. The Indiana County ARC has been reorganized and new officers are K3RHL, pres.; FVU, vice-pres.; K3JIT, secy.; IYI, treas. The club meets the 1st and 3rd Tue. of each month. The Tri-State and Pittsburgh Semi-Annual Sideband Dinner at Monroeville was another

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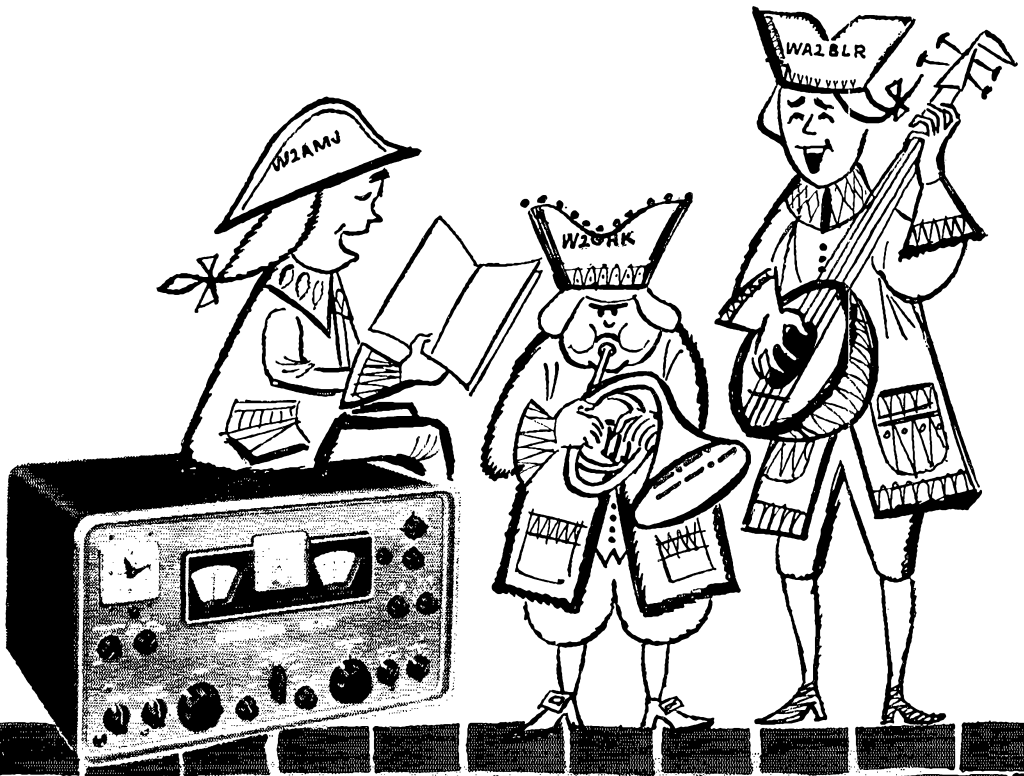
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success. K3CLX now is on 6 meters. KQD's daughter, now KN3QYV. The Steel City ARC reports via *Kilowatt Harmonics*: BUH has a new 15-meter beam; ZGI is attending the U. of Pittsburgh; JQJ is operating 6-meter mobile; GQJ is attending Wheeling College. K3s PC'E and NEZ dropped the "N." Coke Center RC reports: K3JCM is building a quad antenna; QCP has a new 10-meter beam; K3HTR has a new 10-meter coax vertical. K3DKE is building a home-brew keyer. The Cumberland Valley ARC reports via *Valley QRM*: The club members with their mobiles aided the annual United Cerebral Palsy Campaign; W3s JKZ, ESV, ZQU, K3s BGH and MUF participated in the V.H.F. QSO Party as a club group. NEM has a new Johnson Ranger II. WRE and WRC attended the N.Y. State ARRL Convention at Buffalo. Lou was on the program and did an FB job. The Washington County ARC's new officers are: LEN, pres.; K3DNV, vice-pres.; GYZ, secy.; NBR, treas.; and IDO, act. mgr. The Nittany ARC, through its "News-Letter," reports: W3s SYY, SLX and WFZ operated SYY/3 in the August World Wide V.H.F. Contest; the Centre County AREC group supplied communications between Black Moshannon Airport to University Park Airport for the Civil Air Patrol; K3OOP has her Technician Class license; during open house at HRB-Singer in State College, K3HKK displayed and operated two stations, W3s NER, NUF, NYD, RTV and WHA furnished communications for Verona Boro during Light Festival. QYG lost his beam in a recent wind storm. The Mercer County Radio Assn. has been reorganized with the following new officers: K3CFE, pres.; KWL, vice-pres.; CSA, secy.; K3IGO, program chairman. TVG and K3HOX headed the program of the Amateur Transmitters' Assn. of W. Pa. October meeting. The WPA and KSSN traffic group had a family picnic meeting at Parker Dam State Park in Clearfield County. K3KMO and W3MFB did a swell job making all the arrangements. The publication *Upchuck* was one of the outcomes of this gathering, being published by the Brass-pounders Amateur Radio Fraternity under the supervision of SMV and K3KMO. Traffic: W3WRE 263, NEM 167, KUN 79, K3DKE 57, KMO 51, W3MFB 45, K3HKK 33, W3KQD 23, UGY 21, K3GQA 15, W3UHN 12, OEO 10, SMV 10, K3COT 5, CLX 4, W3GJY 2, NUG 2, K3HHD 1.

**CENTRAL DIVISION**

**ILLINOIS**—SCM, Edmond A. Metzger, W9PRN—Ast. SCM; Grace V. Ryden, 9GME, SEC; PSP, RM; USR, PAM; RYU, EC of Cook County; HPG, Section net; ILN, 3515 kc. Mon. through Sat. at 1900 CST. MSB is the new QSL Bureau Manager of W9/K9-Land. He succeeds DSO, who is retiring after doing an FB job in managing the bureau for the past many years. QYW is the newly elected chairman of the W9-DXCC gang. The Argonne Radio Club has been approved as an American Radio Relay, Inc., affiliated club by the League's Executive Committee at its latest meeting. The Joliet Amateur Radio Club was very active and received many praises for its activity in helping to evacuate families when the Hickory Creek overflowed. We have received many announcements of various clubs holding code and theory classes. If you know of anyone interested in these, we suggest that the nearest radio club be contacted. K9OWQ has a new 35-ft. tower for his 6- and 2-meter antennas, and K9PBT is setting up a 75-ft. tower for a new 2-meter beam. K9KHZ is going s.s.b. with a Central Electronics 10B and a Johnson Valiant. K9OZM is c.w.ing with a new QST-described electronic keyer. K9ODL is the new club station of the Eisenhower High School Radio Club at Decatur. K9PKY of Moline, joined the ranks of the Silent Keys and this column sends our deepest sympathies to his family and friends. The Lane High School (Chicago) Student Council has furnished new radio equipment for the radio club's station. HOA, K9UWO and K9OSN are sporting new towers and beams. K9GCI is stationed in Germany with the call DL5DJ. The Rock Island AREC had mobiles out on a lot of bad traffic spots checking for the sheriff on Labor Day and received commendable write-ups from the press. RYU was the coordinator for this public service event. K9RHN's new QTH is Notre Dame University at South Bend. A new appointee is K9SLH as OO. The Joliet Amateur Radio Club has paid off its mortgage and is now debt-free after six years of hard work. GNU's new call is KZ. He was formerly 9KY many years ago. AHV shortly will leave W9-Land and join 7NGD to maintain the U.S. Forest Service radio gear. USR reports that the ILN had a traffic count of 454 messages in 23 sessions. The CAEN boys also had a traffic-passing of 45 messages for their initial new team. BPL awards go to K9OZM and USR. Traffic: (Sept.) K9OZM 654, W9USR 565, K9UGY 293, UOV 208, W9IDA 188, MAK 116, IMN 98, JXV 94, K9BTE 67, W9FAW 62, K9QZT 57, OAD 44, CRT 31, W9EET 24, PRN 23, K9RAS 15, W9HPG 8.

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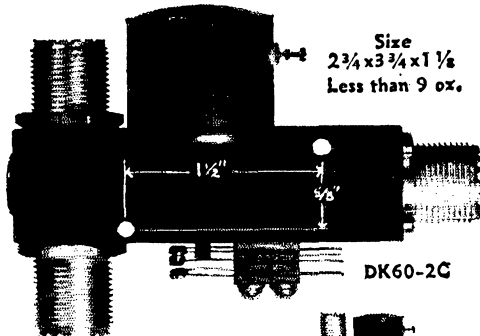
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**WISCONSIN**—SCM, George Wolda, W9KQB—SEC; BCC, PAMs; NRP and NGT, RMs; VHP and VIK, A  
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### WISCONSIN QSO PARTY

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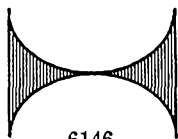
All Wisconsin amateurs are invited to take part in a QSO party, sponsored by the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club in order to promote friendship and operating ability within the section.

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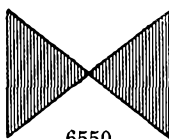
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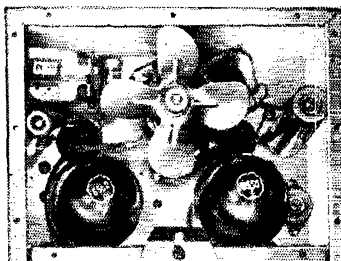
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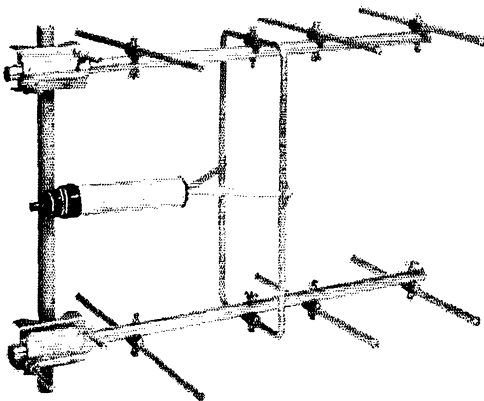
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### DAKOTA DIVISION

**NORTH DAKOTA**—SCM, Harold A. Wengel, W0HVA—SEC: CAQ, PAM; KOTYY. Note the new appointments. Thanks to CDO, we have reports from the 160-Meter Goose River Net, which meets each Sun. at 9 A.M. CST on 1900 kc. August report: total check-ins 99; 2 formal and 7 informal messages handled. September report: 88 check-ins, 1 formal and 5 informal messages. The North Dakota 75-Meter Phone Net reports for September: 21 sessions, 456 total check-ins, maximum 36, minimum 6; 66 pieces of formal traffic, 52 informal with 20 relays. CAQ has finally gone s.a.b. with an HT-37. KOMHC also has an HT-37. Traffic: KOIVQ 127, ITP 41, KWYHC 25, RMS 22, W0CAQ 16, KOTYY 12, W0AQR 8, K0AYJ 8, GGI 8, W0HSC 8, KOTVI 8, W0MQA 6, K0KVB 4, W0OMA 4, YCL 4, K0ALV 2, W0BHF 2, IHM 2.

**SOUTH DAKOTA**—SCM, J. W. Sikorski, W0RRN—SEC: SCT. Section Net certificates have been awarded to W0s ACG, VTX and TLU and K0s YJF, ZBJ, KOY and UXC, who completed requirements of the evening 75-Meter AM Net. KOYVC worked all states in a recent sidebar Contest. SCT announces the appointment of K0TNM as EC for Faulk and Potter Counties and of K0ZBJ as EC for Coddington County. SIF has moved from Waubay to Pergus Falls, Minn. Endorsements: SCT as SEC and PAM; K0BMQ as RAI and EC. K0VIZ traded his Ranger for an HT-37. KOVYY has boosted power with a new Viking 500. KN0EQD dropped the "N" with a Technician Class license. She has a new DX-35. PMA and VTX are operating with an electronic keyer. K0DUR has been appointed civil defense director for Douglas County. ZWL has reactivated her weather net for the winter. K0EEZ passed the General Class exam. Only 4 of 18 passed the code test in recent FCC examinations. Traffic: W0SCT 269, FJZ 18, K0KLH 11, DUR 8, TVJ 8, W0NVM 6, PMA 5, KOVY 5, YJF 5, OFP 4, YJF 4, ACG 3, K0ZBJ 3, BSW 2, W0NNX 2, RWM 2, K0TNM 2, YNS 2, RQY 1, TXW 1, ZQW 1.

**MINNESOTA**—SCM, Mrs. Lydia S. Johnson, W0KJZ—Asst. SCM: Charles Marsh, 0ALW. SEC: KOYJ, PAMs: OFX and KOEPT. RMs: KLG and K0AKM. SEC KOYJ spoke on emergency communications at the Lakefield Kiwanis Club. He states that C.D. Director FUS completed a radiological monitoring course in Michigan. K0AKM accepted the RM appointment for MN. VAC is EC of the New Ulm Area. Brown County. ISJ, K0s MPG and OBP reside in Minneapolis and are attending the C. of M. NKB, U.S.N., got married while he was home on leave. K0URR has the Gonset 6-77A and 6-66B as his mobile station. W0NABU, of Lakefield, the newest MN member has a Globe Chief transmitter and an SX-99 receiver. K0DZE also has a Globe Chief with an S-40B receiver. ORS VTG received his "Hunt The Hunters" Award. K0ORK has a Collins 75A-3. K0OTH applied for ORS appointment, as did THY and K0AKM. Virginia, K0YMC, handled emergency traffic between Quito, Ecuador, and the Mayo Clinic. A nurse in Quito

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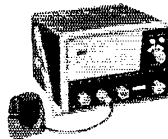
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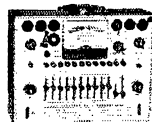


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had been bitten by a rabid monkey. KOKJG went to work for E. F. Johnson. AGE and KQJXX have a son-in-law and daughter living in Germany. REA mobile members WFX, YPH, QKJ, PML, LNE, MVL, OAV and WPK furnished communications for the Sports Car Club of America Races at the Metropolitan Stadium. MRC's *Splatter* has a new look that can sell the envy of all club bulletins. KOUWC has a new KVM-2 mobile with which he works DX. The Falls School Amateur Radio Club became affiliated with ARRL. KOVCC is the trustee for the club. We regret to inform you that 17-year-old KOCHV, of Detroit, Lakes, was killed accidentally. OBSS WOs BUC, YAG and KOORK renewed their appointments. The following renewed OPS appointments: WMA, OPX, BUC, HEN, UAX and MNY. KLG and KOUU renewed ORS appointments. Traffic: (Sept.) KOOTH 218, WOKJZ 196, KLG 125, HEN 92, KOAKM 65, QH1 65, WOUAIX 57, YC 53, LST 51, KOPML 51, WOISI 50, ALW 49, OPX 40, DQL 36, RIQ 27, KOJYJ 25, SNC 25, ORK 25, WOTHY 23, KQICG 22, VPJ 22, WOWMA 21, KOZKK 14, CTJ 13, UKU 12, AVU 11, WOBWO 11, ATO 10, KOZD 10, KYK 10, WORQJ 10, SLD 8, KOSNG 5, WOPGP 4, KOGCH 4, IKU 4, WNOABU 3, KOISV 3, LHT 2. (Aug.) KOIKU 19.

**DELTA DIVISION**

**ARKANSAS**—SCM, Orla L. Musgrove, K5CIR—PAM: DYL RM: K5TYW. Activity on the nets was up in September with three times as much traffic handled as in August. With all the National Guard and Reserve units being called up and the opening of Fort Chaffee, there probably will be a lot more in the months ahead. We should all make an effort to meet at least one of the traffic nets. RN5 meets on 3645 kc. as 1945, the QZK is on 3790 kc. at 900 and the AEPN on 3885 kc. at 0600-0700 Mon.-Sat. The Fayetteville Club monitors 7280 kc. at 1200 to 1400 Mon.-Fri. for traffic. The SEARK Club elected MPV, pres.; K5CIX vice-pres. CAAI, secy-treas. FVM is now stationed at Biloxi, Miss. K5CIR enlarged his shack there would be more room, then the NYL moved her flowers and potted plants in, taking up most of the extra room. It is with deep regret that we announce the death of K5DLO, who was a member of the AEPN. Two new ECs are ADW and DRW. W5AID has a new SX-110 and a DX-20. W5FVM has a new jr. operator. VQD set up his RTTY at the South Memphis Hautest and gave the folks a good demonstration. Traffic: W3RYM 31, RIT 30, K5PMC 24, TYW 18, CIR 12, W5HPL 10, K5IPS 10, AEA 8, UEK 8, YMU 8, TQC 7, W3ZZY 6, K5ABE 5, W5ADW 5, K5GTN 5, W5DYL 4, ENP 4, TJH 2, K5YCM 2.

**LOUISIANA**—SCM, Thomas J. Morgavi, W5FMO—Hurricane Carla gave the Ole Delta 75 Net a good workout. Net control and PAM GKT kept the net going throughout the big blow with a considerable exchange of traffic, especially when tornados associated with the hurricane developed and caused considerable damage throughout the state. K5ANK, K5RFG, WZR and others were net controls at different times. The New Orleans Hamfest was a great success and a good indication of what will be next year when the Delta Division Convention will be held in the big city. The supper-dance drew 125 persons with the hamfest attendance 750. K5BXX got his HT-32 going again after blowing a power transformer. JNV is about to get an HT-32 himself. K5BWZ is back at school and says there are 8 rigs and 5 mobiles on the campus. ACY busted out on side-band after a long silence. UQR made 112 contacts in 24 ARRL sections during the Sept. V.H.F. QSO Party. GHP is back on 40 meters after a lapse of 6 months. K5KLA and K5IFH gave K5QXV a birthday present by putting up a 75-meter inverted "V" for him. TKT is working all bands with his new v.f.o. K5LZA spent a lot of time during "Carla" on "WARN," a c.w. net operating nights on 7015 and days on 3795 kc. CEZ latched on to a CE-200V to join the s.s.b. boys. KN5GUR took the Conditional Class exam recently and is now sweating it out. HHA participated actively at the N. O. Supper-Dance. K5RSR assisted K5JNH with antenna and rig difficulties. Active at Crowley C.D. Hq. during "Carla" were BAC, BMIN and K5SNI. K5SNI and K5JRK maintained MARS and amateur contact with c.d. hq. The Delta Division Director as of Jan. 1, 1962 will be MUG. Congrats. Floyd. Traffic: W5CEZ 509, K5LZA 203, VTH 88, W5MXQ 77, K5QXV 40, W5HHA 24, K5UYL 22, W5EA 6, K5BXX 5.

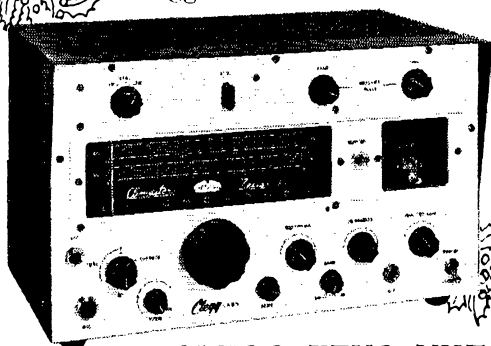
**MISSISSIPPI**—SCM, Floyd C. Teetson, W5MUG—The Jackson Club, headed up by K5GSY, put on a fine demonstration at the fair. Yours truly did a little operating portable from Little Mountain with the mobile rig. Also, I've got a rig on 2 meters. GWD reports from Virginia that he operates area/mobile and is on 6

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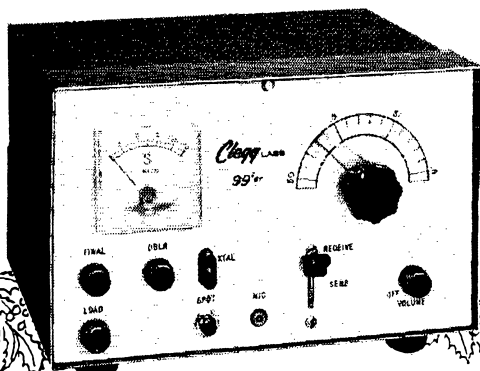
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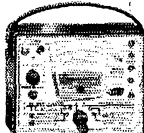
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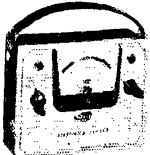
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meters occasionally. K5WSY is on from Corinth with a Viking and an SX-25. He will have 813s on soon. K5MDX made WAS during a recent sidebar contest. 4WDR/5, with an Apache and an SB-10, and K5YSR report they handled traffic during Hurricane Carla. K5SQS is our new SEC. Let's pitch in and give Bill a hand and get the AREC in Mississippi going. CKY. K5JKH, PWV and RDA are new OKSs. K5RUO is back in college. Let us hear from you now and then. Ken. K5UBL reports he handled some traffic from the Laurel Fair. Traffic: K5RUO 185. QNE 108, W5Y8, W4WDR/5 23, K5MDX 5.

**TENNESSEE**—SCM, R. W. Ingraham, W4UIO—SEC: K4OUK, RM: K4AKP. PAMs: W4UVP, W4PQP and W4VQE. W4VTS reports a picnic held with W4PJV and 17 members of the Tennessee Phone Net. W4OGG reports 20 new DX confirmations, making his total 50. The Delta Radio Club had 175 hams registered at its first hamfest. W4WBK says that transmitter hunts continue to be the major group activity for 10 and 6 meters in Memphis. K4VZL has added a cascade preamplifier to his 6-meter receiver. W4PFP is mobile 80 through 6, with an Elmac AK-68, a PMR-8 and an M1070. New EC appointments are W4TVV, K4VIR and K4ZLC. Renewed EC: W4WBK. Reports received: OBS—K4AKP, W4VJ, W4TDW and W4TDZ; OO—W4TDW, K4RIN and W4TDZ; OES—W4YRM and K4KYL; nets—W4UVP, W4PQP and K4AKP; clubs—Chattanooga, Oak Ridge and Memphis, both Delta and Mid-South. Traffic: K4AKP 144, W4QD 645, W4FX 179, W4PQP 83, W4VJ 80, W4UVP 73, W4OGG 60, W4TZG 40, W4PFP 34, K4AMC 25, W4UIO 16, W4YMI 7, K4LTA 6, W4TVV 6, K4VOP 4, W4TDZ 1, W4YRM 1.

## GREAT LAKES DIVISION

**KENTUCKY**—SCM, Elmer G. Leachman, W4BEW—Asst. SCM: W. C. Alcock, W4CDA. SEC: W4BAZ. PAM: W4SZB. RM: K4KWQ. V.H.F. PAM: K4LDA. Kentucky Novice Net: WN4AGH. New net certificates were issued to W4AAS, K4NPZ, WN4AGF, WN4AGH and W4TRO. An OO certificate was issued to K4GSU. Welcome: Asst. SCM W4CDA made a short trip to the hospital. Before going Al visited the Wilderness Road ARC. PAM W4SZB says we need traffic on MKPM. Outlets in Paducah, Covington, Henderson, Frankfort and Bowling Green are needed. Push it, boys and girls, and come to the aid of your MKPM. How about those OSCAR teams. We need volunteers. Please contact your SCM. The Tri-State Amateur Radio Club of Ashland, Ky., has been reactivated with eighteen present. W4RHZ reports activity on 432 Mc. FB, Joe. The SCM likes your station activity reports by radio but mail by the 4th. WN4AGH reports KNN met 26 times with a traffic total of 39. Traffic: K4KWQ 146, W4BAZ 85, K4CSH 87, W4SZB 49, WN4AGH 23, W4RHZ 28, W4ZDB 28, W4MWX 26, K4VDO 25, W5CDA 24, K4TQZ 23, W4RHZ 20, W4YVI 16, K4OLT 14, W4RNF 13, W4BEW 11, W4KJP 8, K4TVC 6, W4SZL 5, W4UIJ 2.

**MICHIGAN**—SCM, Ralph P. Thetreau, W8FX—SEC: ELR. RMs: SCW, EGL, QOO, FWQ and K8KMQ. PAMs: CQU, JTO, V.H.F. PAMs: NOH and PT. Appointments: FWQ, ZHB, K8PYV and K8QLL as ORSs; K8KMQ as 8RN Asst. mgr. ECs are needed in 39 L.P. counties and in 12 U.P. counties. If interested, contact ELR, our SEC. The Grand Rapids 15th Annual Hamfest will be held Apr. 13/14, 1962, at the Pantlind Hotel. Mark your calendar. K8KMQ BPLs again. JX is back on the air. The Hillsdale ARC's Newsletter says that K8EZD has a new SX-101A. Is this a "trend"? New "Generals" are PCZ, K8s UPY, ROQ, TLX, TDJ, VGZ and TYK. JYJ got a "new" Kennedy 110 receiver from K8IGQ and it works. MPD is back as OBS. The 12th Midwest YL Convention is set for Flint, May 1962. DTZ and K8UOU are writing a tech. electronics manual. K8ACQ and RTN chairmanned communications at the recent Buick Golf Tournament. RTN is starting a c.w. training net for message-handling. SPF, our former Great Lakes Division Director is now Capt. John H. Brabb, USNR. The Saginaw Valley ARA did a great job at the county fair. K8YZO and K8SLK are building 150-watt transmitters. K7CPZ moved to Grand Ledge from Tuscon. Several Lansing hams working 1296 Mc. with APX-6 rigs. OBS reports were received on time from BAN, K8BGZ, ROH, K8PBA, PT and K8IFL. The Pictured Rocks NBC elected K8PMD, pres.; ZDF vice-pres.; KN8YXG, secy.-treas. Lightning damaged K8PSV's transmitter. K8QLL does OK as NCS. The Jackson Co. V.H.F. Club had ten mobiles out after a recent storm. K8GOU reports excellent OBS cooperation from the Wolverine S.S.B. Net. K8GJD works KV4AA with 2 watts. K8NHC got DUF, W. Conn. and WWCNY certificates. K8VRF, in Ontonagon is using a Ranger. The Wayne State Univ. RC elected K8HKE.

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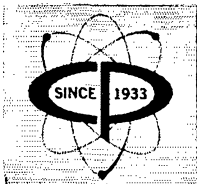
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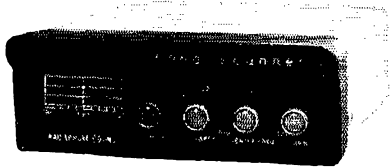
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**OHIO**—SCM, Wilson E. Weckel. W8AL—Asst. SCM: J. C. Erickson. 8DAE, SEC: HNP. RAI: BZX. DAF. VTP and K8ONQ. PAM: K8KSN, EPB and WRH received their WOLA certificates. Appointments made in September were K8s JJC and ONQ as OOs, K8PJH as OBS and K8KSN as PAM. Those who made BPL in September were DAE and UPH. The *Feedline* of the Canton ARC is another piece of art with 15 sepia pictures taken at a recent club picnic and states that KII, GAW and RNL are in the hospital; ex-MWL, now K4KXP, visited; K8PME is a new ham with a new Drake 2-B; K8BYC is mobile with a Johnson Messenger; K8KXP has TA-36; K8LBZ has a TA-33 and an HQ-170C; K8SWE has a TC-99; the club's 1962 officers are YAB, pres.; K8MZS, vice-pres.; OYV, secy.-treas.; and ADQ, IIR. IKM, K8s AHL, LBZ and MZT trustees; the stork brought OHP a baby boy. Your Great Lakes Director, UPB, and your SCM attended the Findlay Hamfest where total attendance numbered about 1100 with more than 700 licensed amateurs, 220 women registered of which 44 were licensed and there were 30 Buckeye Belles with K8s PBE and WFF each winning an AF-68, K8OEX is in the Navy. Warren ARA's *Q-Match* informs us that its hamfests have grown from 30 ham registrations in 1958 to 330 in 1961, and \$155.78 was cleared. The Seneca RC held a 2-meter transmitter hunt and saw color slides of *The Story of D.X.* Dayton ARA's *R-F Carrier* informs us the members heard a talk about Space Communications and GIX spoke on Oscilloscopes, how they work and how to use them; HCD, LLT, MCS, NEE and WYL are operating on RTTY; K8MJJ was in the hospital. The Inter-City RC relates that ZJY was called to active duty in the Navy; K8MPZ is on 220 Mc.; ex-WXY, now K5WXX, visited; K8GSQ is home after spending the winter in Florida; KN8CZL is a new Novice; HTO was in the hospital and K8s JPF and KRH have returned to college. K8s IQB, JSQ and RHC have new HT-37s. K8JXI has a new G-76. Springfield ARA's *Q-5* says that K8WQE underwent an operation; K8TPN has a new Finco 6&2 beam and the club elected its 1962 officers. Parma RC's *PRC Bulletin* informs us an auction was held; K8DIX vacationed in New England; K8TAU joined the Navy; the club has started its code and theory classes. LZE spoke on ham radio to the Fireside Club. The wind blew down all of K8RYU's antennas. Toledo's *Ham Shack Gossip* names Dorothy, K8WDZ, as its Ham of the Month; the stork brought a baby boy to K8CJS; Oregon City ARC's 1962 officers are K8LCW, pres.; K8LFM, vice-pres.; K8KGL, treas.; K8RSR, secy.; and K8VVV, chaplain; K8RYV received his General Class license; K8RSU has a new tower and 6-meter beam; K8LCW spent over a week in Florida; the club members were guests at the WTOL transmitter. The OH-KY-IN V.H.F. Society's *Q-Ever* says that DQK spoke on building and testing receivers; K8s YVC and YVD mobiled through Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas; K8s SNU and VWA are mobile on 6 meters. Findlay RC's *The W8FT News* and the Greater Cincinnati ARA's *The Milk and Key* were received. Your Great Lakes Director, UPB, and your SCM attended the Cincinnati Stag Hamfest where about 1450 were in attendance on a hot and beautiful day. IJL won an SX-115 and K9SHG a Gonset Communicator IV. A new amateur radio association was founded in Cleveland called AREA (Amateur Radio Editors Association) with its purpose to aid the editors of ham radio club papers, to encourage radio amateurs to write and talk about their hobby, to promote better public relations between the amateurs and the general public. Its officers are AEU, pres.; BAH, executive vice-pres.; secy.-treas.; and MRI, K8NCY, W3KPJ, CTZ and WE as trustees. BAH is editor of *Ham Antenna* in Cleveland's largest newspaper the *Cleveland Plain Dealer* and I offer to lend my clipping to any Ohio club or amateur who believes he can interest his local newspaper in publishing articles on amateur radio. Traffic: (Sept.) WKUPH 999, DAE 719, K8SQK 168, W8BZX 120, K8BDZ 96, ONQ 95, AAG 61, BNL 50, RYU 46, W8CXM 32, K8RUC 20, W8LZE 20, K8MTI 18, W8AL 17, K8KSN 12, VKK 12, W8IBX 11, K8EJI 10, LUP 10, PFN 10, DDG 7, RXD 4, W8EEQ 1. (Aug.) K8PBZ 27, MITI 20, W8TXI 2, K8VIX 2, WLP 1.

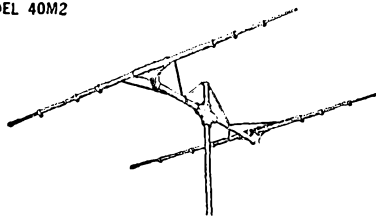
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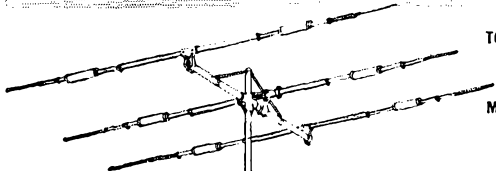
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**NEW YORK CITY AND LONG ISLAND—SCM.** George V. Cooke, Jr., W2OBU—SEC: W2ADO. RM: K2FT. PAM: W2UGF. V.H.F. PAM: W2EW. Section nets: NLI, 3630 kc. at 0015 GMT nightly; NLI (date), 3630 kc. at 0345 GMT nightly; NYC-LIPN, 3908 kc. at 2300 GMT nightly; V.H.F. Traffic Net, 145.8 Mc. at 0100 GMT Tue.-Wed.-Thurs. This column again has been written by W2TUK, pinch-hitting for the rapidly-recovering W2OBU. As you read these lines, George undoubtedly is back at the helm. He sends along many thanks for the many cards, letters and messages received during his hospitalization. BPL cards were earned by K2UAT, K2UBG, WA2GPT, W2GKZ, W2EW and K2CMJ, the latter three on originations plus deliveries. Please note that NLI now meets at 0015 GMT on all evenings. K2UBG has added a BC-221 frequency meter for OO work. K2QBW reports from M.I.T., where he will be working portable on 2 meters. Hurricane Esther took her toll of skyhooks, according to many reports. WA2TVJ has been appointed Asst. EC for the Queens 8-meter AREC which meets on 50.25 Mc. at 0100 GMT Thurs. WA2QU reports that the Q5 Traffic Net now meets daily at 2100 GMT on 3935 kc. A Viking 6N2 and v.f.o. have replaced the home-brew rig at K2PQY. New officers of the ARS of City College, W2HJ, are W2PVQ, pres.; WA2DGW, vice-pres.; and WA2MUG, secy.-treas. W2PVQ is looking for anyone interested in 6-meter facsimile work. Ex-K2RHN now signs W2BVE from Ohio and is looking for the NYC-LI gang on 75 meters. A new DX-100 and tri-band dipole are in use at WA2BJK. WA2GJT has completed a 6-meter s.s.b. mixer and kw. linear. WA2LIT plans on assisting in Project OSCAR. In the meantime, Doc snagged 10 states on 144 Mc. with a Communicator I. WA2NWG, attending Columbia U., WA2EF, inquires if there is interest in a city-wide 10-meter traffic net. Traffic is now handled actively on most of our amateur bands except 10, 15 and 20. Ten sounds as if it might work fine. How about it? W2MDM is installing s.s.b. gear. It is with deep regret that I report the membership of K2PWH in Silent Keys. Frank, a personal friend, will be sincerely missed by his many fellow amateurs. WA2CZG is member Nr. 309 of the Certificate Hunters' Club. Officers of the newly-formed South Shore Amateur Wireless Assn. are K2VGR, pres.; K2UFT, vice-pres.; WA2VDZ, secy.; and K2UAT, treas. A 75A-4 is now in use at K2TAQ. Bud also added Ameco inverter converters for 6, 2 and 1 1/2 meters. K2JYZ has been elected YLRL "veep" for 1962, while her son, K2UNO, is "veep" of the Freeport HSRC. The Hicksville HSRC, WA2SCF, is now on the air with a DX-100 and an 8-108. Club officers are WA2EER, pres.; WA2KSM, vice-pres.; WA2YKR, secy.; and WA2PCP, treas. W2HQL reports that he now signs WA6TGY from San Jose. New officers of the Mid-Island Six-Meter Net are WA2EQK, net control; WA2HCP and WA2NHL, alternates; K2MYM, secy.-treas.; and WA2DUZ, act. mgr. Two-meter 417A preamps have been added at

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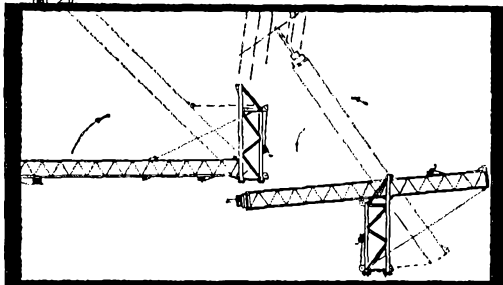
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K2SVY and WA2KSP. WA2OZY reports that a new club, the Bronx Union Y-Radio Club, is in the formative stages. Interested persons are urged to contact the program director, Bronx Union MCA. W2SEU is looking for 220-Mc. contacts on his week-end visits home from the Air Force. The very best of Season's Greetings from W2OBU and W2TUK. Traffic: (Sept.) K2UAT 846, K2UBG 684, WA2GPT 624, W2GKZ 317, W2EWV 223, WA2BWO 207, K2CMI 164, WA2EFN 148, K2UFT 131, WA2NWX 124, WA2NCE 106, WA2QAT 45, K2QBW 38, K2THY 28, W2EC 17, WA2NFI 2 15, W2LGG 9, WA2CZG 6, K2YQK 6, WA2QIU 5, K2UYW 5, WA2IKL 4, K2PQY 2, K2PHF 1, WA2RAS 1. (Aug.) WA2NCE 198, WA2NWX 109, K2PHF 44, W2DUS 30, K2QBW 26, W2EC 9.

**NORTHERN NEW JERSEY—SCM.** J. Sparks Remezky, K2MFF—SEC; WA2APY, RM; K2VNL, PAM; K2SLG, V.H.F. PAM; K2KYR. Section nets: NJN daily at 0900 GMT on 3695 kc., NJPN Mon. through Sat. at 2300 GMT and Sun. at 1400 GMT on 3900 kc., N.J. 6 & 2 at 0400 GMT Thurs. and Sun. on 51.15 Mc. and at 0300 GMT Wed. and Sun. on 147.75 Mc. The NJN reports 31 sessions, attendance 386 and traffic 268. The NJPN reports 30 sessions, attendance 578 and traffic 112. The N.J. 6 & 2 Nets report 29 sessions, attendance 178 and traffic 28. New appointments: WA2BDP, as OBS; WA2BNF as EC; K2HFL, WA2OLZ, WA2UGO and WA2IGQ as OESs. K2RHN moved to Ohio and his new call is WB8VE. W2TKZ received his Extra Class license, W2COT and W2FBR and their XYLs spent two weeks at Cape Cod, Mass. W2GFR is now mobile in his new Volkswagen. The South Amboy ARA has become an ARRL affiliate. The new officers of the Tri-County RA are K2TOU, pres.; W2BDT, vice-pres.; W2FCC, secy.; WA2MTT, treas.; and W2HIA, W2HNY, W2AZL, W2LI, W2PIX, trustees. WA2GNT presented her OM, WA2GXS, with a new harmonic. WA2HRP received the WAS Award. K2AGJ has a new 30LI linear but can't put it on the air until she gets a separate a.c. line installed for it. WA2KKH received his CP-30. Your SCM received the Keystone Award. WA2BDP had his OES appointment endorsed. WA2HFI now has 5 elements on 220 Mc. and 32 elements on 144 Mc. WA2UGO is using a water tower to give him a "backfire" antenna. The Columbia High School Electronics Club is having trouble convincing the hi-fi enthusiasts that r.f. is more interesting than a.t. WA2CCF earned a BPL card for September traffic. The lack of club bulletins and news is reaching new highs. Club bulletins are forwarded to the Newark Sunday News for possible use in its ham column after your SCM is finished with them. So, let's go, gang! WA2OQP received his General Class license. New Novices in the South Amboy Area are W2TRD, W2TCO, W2UQB and W2UUY. Our Section and NYC-LI note with sorrow the loss of an ARRL Member dating from '17—Mr. Wm. G. Mayer, W2NF. Traffic: (Sept.) K2UCY 186, WA2CCF 105, K2VNL 146, WA2JHQ 121, WA2APY 116, W2QNL 87, WA2EDG 83, WA2KKH 39, K2ITU 30, WA2OVK 30, WA2EQO 27, WA2IGQ 25, K2MFF 19, W2CFB 10, K2EQP 10, W2BVE 8, K2HFL 6, K2AGJ 4, W2EWZ 2, K2ZFI 2, WA2HRP 1. (Aug.) WA2APY 66.

## MIDWEST DIVISION

**IOWA—SCM.** Dennis Burke, W0NTB—SEC; KO-EXN—PAM; PZO, RM; DUA, SCA is feeling better again and is back in traffic. LCX has resigned as manager of TEN. DUA is taking Red's spot. Our sympathy to EEG who lost his mother recently. K0SVJ has gone high power on s.s.t. GQ, our Vice-Director, is vacationing in Canada where the fish are big and ferocious. K0ZQT has a new tower. QVZ lost his tower and beam in the tornado. All members of the section sympathize with BDR in his great loss. PFP is our new OES and is glad to talk v.h.f. with anyone. Belle Plaine hams are organizing a club and have a fine group to start with. W0AJJ and W0AAO are new in this area. KOEXN, our SEC, is mighty busy. Here are his new ECs: K0GTC Class, K0VHR (aYL), Shelby. K0SCW (Clinton), K0RUF Franklin, K0VBI N.W. Iowa, K0BRE S.E. Iowa, K0IQV Jefferson and Van Buren, K0TBO Cherokee, K0DQC Poweshiek. The Iowa 160-meter boys are at it again. The Iowa 75-Meter Phone Net reports for Sept.: QNI 1429, QTC 347, sessions 26, average 13.35. Traffic: (Sept.) W0SCA 1841, LGG 1668, BDR 1034, PZO 629, DUA 482, CZ 233, KOVKT/O 150, W0NTB 93, LJV 58, K0BND 39, WVK 23, W0JDV 16, K0AFG 14, WUR/O 14, HBD 9, IHC 9, VSY 9, W0YDV 7, K0YLN 6, EVC 5, QKD 5, W0UHO 5, K0MYU 4, W0QVZ 4, K0RFT 3, EXN/O 2. (Aug.) K0EVC 6.

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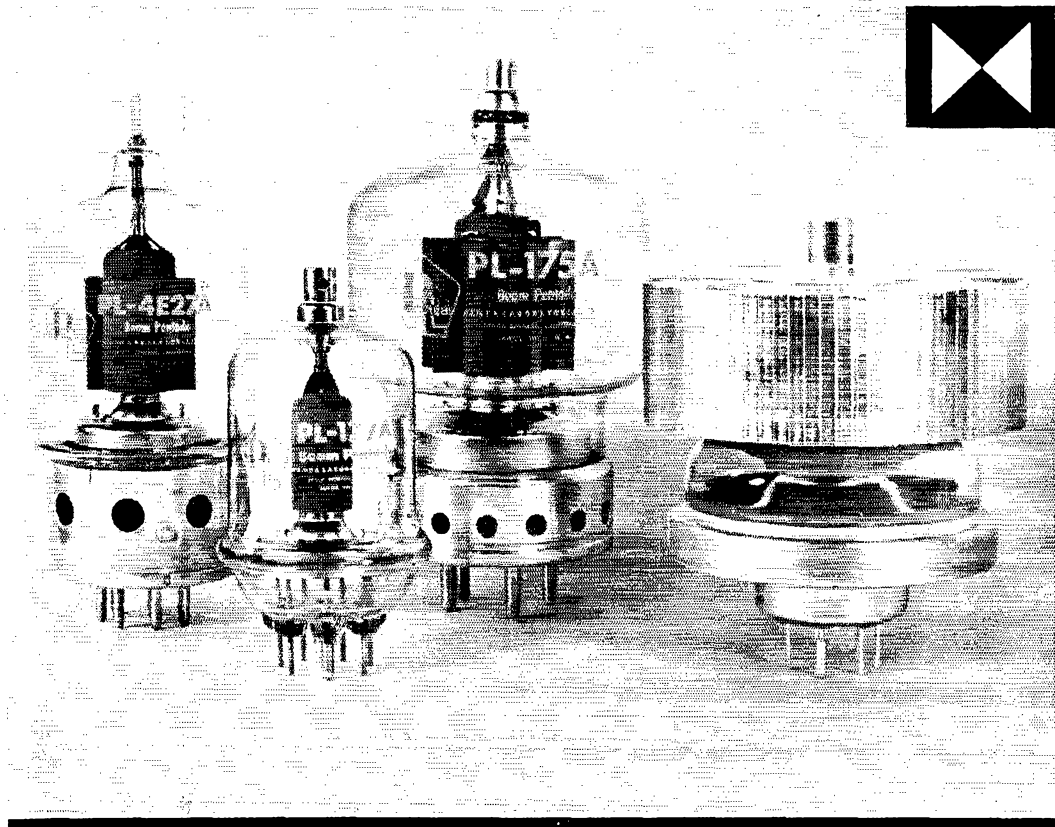
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17 sessions; QNS 490, high 49, low 19, average 28.8; QTC 131, high 23, low 1, average 7.7 QKS daily on 3610 kc. at 0030Z; 30 sessions; QNS 194, high 11, low, 2 average, 6.4; QTC 164, high 18, low 0, average 5.4; NCSs: KOBXF, BYV, IFR and RLF, KSN; Weather Net, 3925 kc, Mon. through Fri. at 0001Z; KØEAB, mgr.; QNS 530, reports 530. Area HBN, 7280 kc, Mon. through Fri. at 1800Z; mgr. KØWNZ; NCSs: KØHGI, YWT, NSB, ANF, RCB, 9TVG, 5JXB, KØLTJ and LTP; QNS 442; QTC 467, Kansas Jayhawker YL Net, 3940 kc, Tue. at 1530Z, Sun. at 2200Z; KØHEU, mgr. The Emporia Radio Club operated portable in Chase County making 165 contacts. This gives the WAK another county where no stations are located. MDI has a new four-element beam and 3-kw. generator. WNØAGG, a new licensee, has an Eico 720 and an AL-7 receiver. The Kaw Valley Radio Club, under OBO/O, operated again this year at the Midwest America Fair, Topeka, and handled 81 messages. UFP now is located in Topeka, have been working him with the Mighty Mite 20 watts s.s.b. The Smoky Valley Radio Club, under FOR/O, operated at the Central Kansas Free Fair, Abilene, and handled quite a few messages. The Wichita Amateur Radio Club, under President KØJWS, is building up membership. At a recent meeting VBQ gave his usual good demonstration on s.s.b. and how to build Permability Tuned Oscillators. EC ZUX has been busy renewing and bringing his AREC membership up to date. Traffic: (Sept.) WOØHJ 539, FNS 270, KØBXF 147, WOBYV 103, ABJ 85, RJJ 75, KØUHF 74, WOQGG 63, ORB 42, KØHVG 29, QKS 24, WOIFR 23, KØYBR 17, EFL 12, WOBSB 11, TOL 11, FDJ 9, KØVQC 9, JID 6, GQO 5, JMF 4, WOØHU 3, KØHXH 3, LPE 2, WUD 1. (Aug.) KØHFF 22, UZJ 21.

**MISSOURI**—SCM, C. O. Goseh, WØBUL—SEC; KØLTP, Asst. SEC; KØLTJ, RM.; OUD and KØONK, PAMS; BYV, OVV and LFE (v.h.f.). Net reports: (Sept.) MEN (3885 kc, 2400 GMT, M-W-F) 13 sessions; QNI 343; QTC 122; NCSs: KØONK 4, KØAMR, VPH, VNB 2, each; KØKUD, OVV 1 each, MSN (3715 kc, 2200 GMT, M-F) 22 sessions; QNI 64; QTC 87; NCSs: KØGØB 4, KØGFA 6, KØONK 7, KØVPH 5, MON (3590 kc, 0100 GMT, M-F) 26 sessions; QNI 146; QTC 175; NCSs: KIK 8, OUD 7, KØVPH 6, RTW 4, KØCCQ 1, MSN (3580 kc, 2200 GMT Su.) 4 sessions; QNI 14; QTC 2; NCS: OUD 4, Mo. S.S.B. (3885 kc, 2400 GMT, Tu.-Th.) 8 sessions; QNI 117; QTC 26; NCSs: OMM 6, MIKJ and TPK 1 each. Appointments: KØZEI as OBS, Endorsement; KØJPJ as OO C1 I, Cancellations; KØUTX as OO C1, III and IV; IJS as ORS, KØJPL received DXCC, WAP reports QRL building Highway 71 at Grandview. The club station is moving to new quarters at Florissant. Quite a number of fellows report QRL with school again. Club stations EEE and ZLN, at Rolla and Columbia, respectively, are active and ready to handle traffic again. MCX, secy. of the O.B.P. #1 (Club (St. Louis) reports the club as 100 per cent ARRL since 1924. Art also states that BOA is State Representative from his district and that ZK is active after several years absence from the amateur bands. BH is reported engaged in teaching at Mt. Grove, K5POU/O is attending the Missouri School for the Blind and is active on 3.5 Mc. KØAEU is reported recuperating after a siege in the hospital. KØLIQ recently made contact with K3LIQ and had W7LIQ join the contact later, making three stations with the same call letters in one QSO! K5ZEYO is active at Ft. Leonard Wood. Traffic: KØONK 1392, LTJ 409, VPH 295, WØANT 272, OMM 141, KIK 139, MEJ 131, OUD 103, BUL 67, KØVNB 48, WØRTW 44, KØGFA 33, KØRPH 32, WØAYB 31, BYV 26, GBJ 18, OVV 18, KØFPC 16, WØZLN 13, KØWNZ 12, PCK 11, WØPXE 9, WAP 9, K5ZEYO 8, WØEPI 4.

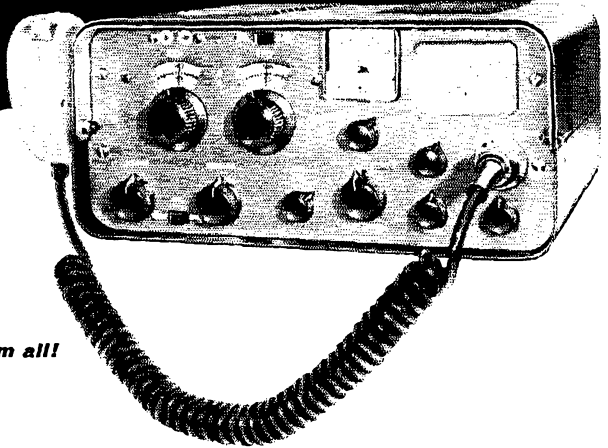
**NEBRASKA**—SCM, Charles E. McNeel, WØEXP—SEC; KØTSU, The Nebraska Morning Phone Net, at 0730 on 3980 kc. daily, KØDGW is NC, reports QNI 699, QTC 158. The Nebraska Emergency Phone Net, 1230 on 3983 kc., EQG as NC, reports QNI 711 QTC 58, 100 per cent check-in KØCGM, The Nebraska C.W. Section Net resumed operation on Sept. 1 with OKO as RM, and reports 30 sessions, QNI 161, QTC 62. The Western Nebraska Phone Net, on 3850 kc. at 0700 MST, NIK as NC, reports QNI 623, QTC 84, 100 per cent reporting KØTCH, KØAIE, KØBMQ, AHB, DVB, FJZ, GGP, NIK and RHL. The Nebraska Weather Net resumed operation Oct. 1 on 3850 kc. at 1815 MST Mon. through Fri. with KØRRL as NC. With deep regrets we report the passing to Silent Keys of IDO, No. Platte, formerly from Merna. A recent appointment is KØDGW as OBS. He will transmit Official Bulletins on the phone nets; also NYU will transmit Official Bulletins on c.w. and RTTY. Traffic: WØDDT 144, OKO 138, ZJF 114, KØDGW 84, WIX 74, RRL 63, SBD 53, WØZVJ 37, KØQVM 33, MSS 32, WØYFR 28, NIK 26, KØYDS 23, WØCIW 20, BOQ 15, NYU 13, VFA 12, KØCGM 11, WØEQQ 10, OCU 8, UOV 8, KLB 6,>NNL 5, KØVTD

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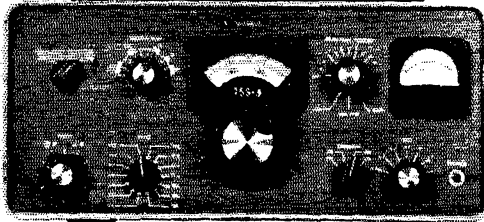
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**CONNECTICUT**—SCM, Henry B. Sprague, Jr., WICHR—SEC; EOR, RM; KYQ, H.F. PAM; YBII, V.H.F. PAM; FHP, Traffic nets; CPN, Mon.—Sat. 2300Z, Sun. 1500Z on 3880 kc.; CN, daily 2345Z and 0300Z on 3640 kc.; CVN, Tue., Thurs. and Sat. 0130Z on 145.98 Mc.; CTN, 1400Z on 3640 kc. EOR, our SEC, is stimulating new AREC interest. All present ECs have been contacted regarding their local activities with gratifying results. Make yourself known to your EC and volunteer your help. If you do not know who your local EC is, contact EOR or me. If your area has no EC and feel you are capable of organizing a local group, your application would be most welcome. NJM still is conducting high-speed code practice every Mon. at 0130Z on 3637 and 7120 kc. EFW has been hard at work completing his new shack. ADW worked TYQ at HZIAB through K1HKK. KYQ reports CN had 30 early sessions handling 265 messages for an 8.8 average and 22 late sessions with 43 messages handled for a 1.9 average. High QN1 were K1s IFJ, MZM and JAD. YBH advises CPN held 30 sessions, handled 169 messages for an average of 5 and had a daily attendance average of 23. The Honor Roll for 80 per cent attendance or better lists K1s AQE, BSB, PPF, DGK and Wis DAV, YXB and LWW. K1DQV finished a new 4-125 amplifier. K1ITV is building a rig for 160 meters with a 4-250 final. K1KSH worked his 13th country on 160 meters. K1MBI is building a keyer. K1QFL is assembling a Heath "Twoer." K1NFD is now on 2 meters. K1TMT is on 7 Mc. with a DX-60. Thanks go to NFG for making the New Haven Red Cross rooms available for the traffic meeting, which was heavily attended by enthusiastic CN and CPN representatives. Reports received: OES from FVV and K1MNX; OO from K1IVR. New appointments: K1IAD as ORS. Appointments renewed: FYG, EKJ, WAZ, HGE, EXO, MHF, EJJ, OS, CGD, FOA and IHR as ECs. Traffic: (Sept.) K1MZM 280, WIAW 240, KYQ 236, K1IFJ 227, WINJM 130, RZG 117, K1GGG 97, WIOBR 69, K1IAD 67, W1NTH 65, K1AQE 59, W1LV 40, K1PPF 35, W1YBH 28, BDI 27, K1MBA 22, W1RFJ 22, K1DGG 18, PUG 14, W1QV 13, K1QCR 12, W1CHR 11, C1H 10, K1IVR 10, BSB 8, W1BNB 6, ROX 5, K1EIC 3, PKQ 2. (Aug.) WIOBR 79, NJM 49.

**MAINE**—SCM, Albert C. Hodson, W1BCB—SEC; GRG, PAM; K1ADY, RM; K1KSG, GPY has been called to active duty with the Navy. The PTN will miss him as RM when he carried on in the best of tradition of traffic men. K1PIK is at Kingsport, Tenn., and will be looking for Maine contacts with any old friends. K1GAX has a new s.s.b. rig. BPM has a new Hornet beam and still is after the hard DX. K1GUC has a Collins 32V-2. FC has returned to Maine and has a new TX-1. K1MIDM hopes to hold classes at Togus Veterans' Center for interested patients and employees. K1MBM and K1MZB urge all who can to join M1SSN to keep up with c.w. progress. K1TQI, the son-in-law of EBJ, now is in Orono. The Knox County Radio Club had a successful hamfest at Rockland Sept. 10. The PAWA has moved out of the c.d. room at Portland City Hall and at this writing is trying a location at the Portland Boys' Club. Please send any information on club activities and new hams as well as items of interest to your SCM. Items concerning station activities, new gear and awards will be appreciated. Traffic: (Sept.) K1MBM 123, MDM 37, W1SO 32, GRG 24, K1BZD 20, OJH 18, W1GPY 13, K1DYG 6. (Aug.) W1SWX 12.

**EASTERN MASSACHUSETTS**—SCM, Frank L. Baker, Jr., W1ALP—SEC; AOG, PAM for 75; DFB, RM for 80; KAF, RM for 15; AQE, PAM for 6; AWA, RM for 20; SAD, PAM for 2; OFK, Traffic Nets; Eastern Mass. C.W., 3660 kc. Mon. through Fri. at 1900; Eastern Mass. 2 Meter, 145.8 Mc. Mon. through Fri. at 2000; Eastern Mass. (75) Phone Net, 3893 kc. daily at 1730; 6-Meter Crossband, 50.85 Mc. Mon. through Fri. at 1930. Sun. at 1000. Several areas where we need stations to check in are New Bedford, Fall River, Lowell and Cape Cod. New appointments: QDR Lexington, K1STS Sudbury, as ECs; DDV as OES; K1OJQ and K8KCO as ORS. K8KCO is at M.I.T. JPJ is EC and RO for No. Attleboro. BNS is on 75 meters in Medfield. Heard on 2 meters: K1s GVM and OIM and KNY QVU. K1JMT lives across the street from ALP, and is going to Northeastern U. 5GQB, Falmouth, is on 75 meters. IAE is back again in those parts. HM is a Silent Key. During Hurricane Esther most of the c.d. groups went into action. The fellows at Northeastern, KBN, were very active on 75 and 2 meters for the Boston Red Cross and had stations lined up all over the N.E. Area and had a tie-in on 2 meters with EAE in the John Hancock Bldg. GQF went to Revere mobile on 2 meters for them.

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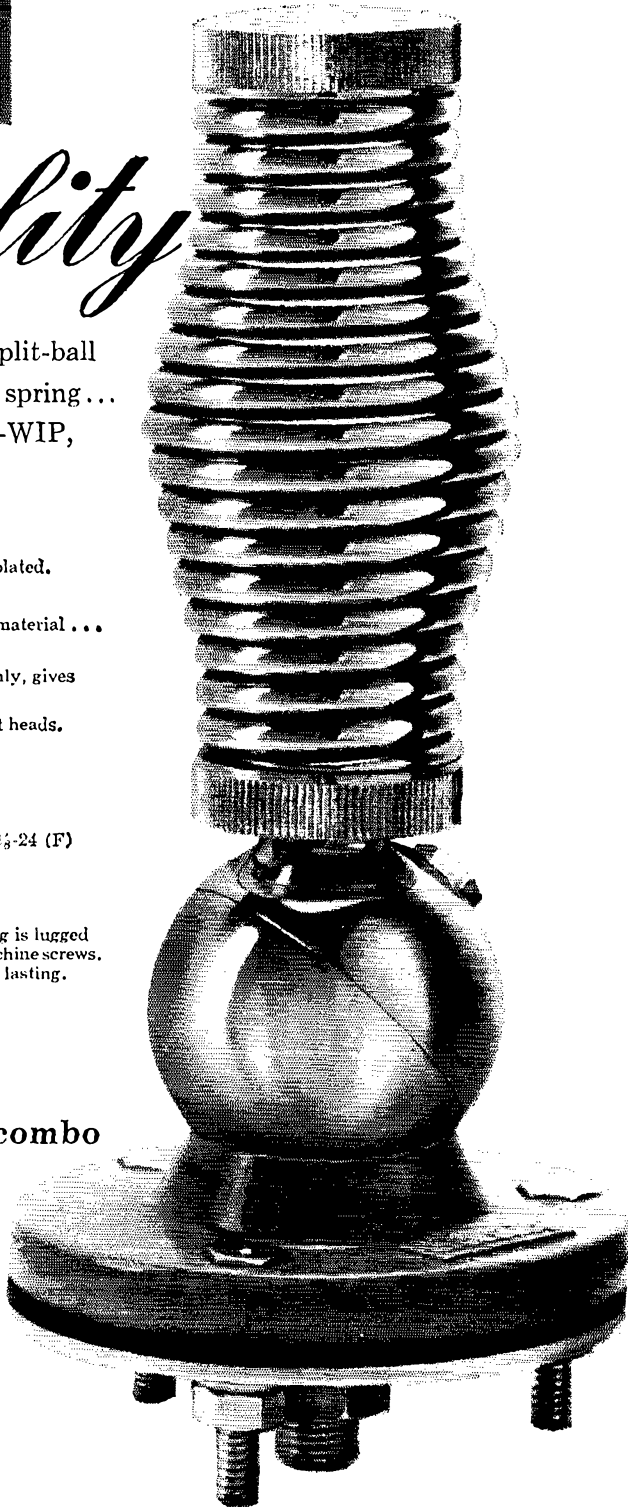
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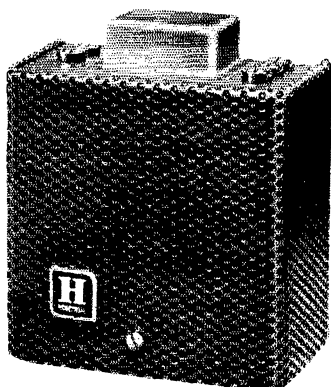
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OTN is on 2 meters. UIR is feeling better and has gone back to work. The EM2M Net had 21 sessions, 323 stations and 122 traffic. EHT says a club may be formed in Wayland. K1DRB worked K3KEU and KGOS/3 on the band opening on 2 meters. K1AII heard VESDIR on 2 meters and has a 4-250 amplifier on 50 Mc. KNIRZL has converter for 220 Mc. K1QWL has a G-50. KNITDP has an HQ-100 and a Globe Scout Deluxe. KNISWI has an HQ-170, a Challenger and a 90-ft. tower. KNIRML has an HT-40 and a SX-140. SYU has an HQ-129, a KWM-2, and an all-band antenna. QAF has an HQ-160, 800 watts on 75/80 meters. EUJ is in the Signal Corps at Ft. Monmouth as a 2nd lieutenant. KICBL is helping out with c.d. in Burlington. WU has been busy with the garden. K1QNZ took the Tech. Class exam and dropped the "N." CBU, AJA, K1s CWS, TKV, ICJ, MON and SKP are active. OFK has a quad indoors and worked SFX on 2 meters. AHP is on the air again and feeling better. K1HTK showed FD slides to the Framingham Club. CPB has retired from work. BY is back on the air. K1s SFD and SDA passed the General Class exam. K1DRB was up on Mt. Ascutney, Vt., for the V.H.F. Party. HIL has a new Drake 2-B. AYG and K1BUR are mobile. K1CBB has a new QTH in Hingham. K1RBU went fishing up in New Brunswick. BW has a new antenna. MRQ is on for contests only. The Milton Radio Club held an auction. OTZ spoke on his new code system. The No. Attleboro c.d. group took the Red Cross first aid course. K1QLB is on 6 meters. Frank Roberts spoke on the NC-100 at the QRA meeting. AOG was in Maine for a week. Appointments endorsed: WU, K1BUF and EAE as ORSs; AUQ as OO; K1BUF as OBS; EAE as KM for 80-meter c.w.; AOG as SEC; JSM Waltham, MD Hingham and DPO Chatham, as ECs; JSM and K1KCG as OESs. K1DIO is back from a trip to Northern N.Y. BVP, a new ensign in the Coast Guard, is in Cleveland, Ohio. BB is getting ready for the 160-Meter DX Tests. KN1QQQ is on 40-meter c.w. OHA is in the Navy. DXCC: FQA has 223. ACB 243. Quincy C.D. now has a communication van. The T-9 Radio Club met at TJP's QTH. K1KKS is going to Tufts U. EM75PN had 30 sessions, 436 check-ins, 216 traffic. K1LJK worked 35 countries in September and has a new 10-30 scope. K1QNZ is Tech. Class, 5GQB/1 has a new G-76 mobile. The 6 Meter Cross-Band Net had 304 for 20 sessions, traffic 161. New on 6 meters: K1s NXN, JQJ and MAK. K1s OCD and GKA are new NCSs and LLX is back again. UVB has a new QTH free of QRN. K1JIM is a Silent Key. PTR tried 160 for the first time since '41. KZW, Westwood, has been endorsed as EC. Traffic: (Sept.) W1AWA 371, K1DGI 268, W1EMG 193, K1GNR 161, AII 133, BUF 110, W1DFS 109, EAE 100, PEX 56, OFK 55, ZSS 39, DOM 37, W5GQB/1 28, K1QJQ 22, DIO 17, GKA 17, W1AOG 15, SV 15, VYS 15, FJJ 14, K1QNZ 12, CMS 11, OJQ 9, W1AUQ 8, GTX 6, BB 4. (Aug.) K1AII 103, LCQ 8, QOJ 2.

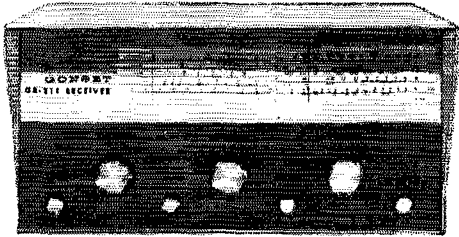
**WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS—SCM.** Percy C. Noble, WIBVR—SEC; WIBYH/K1APR, RM; K1IJV, PAM; W1DXS, WWA/MIM took an active part in a rescue at sea on Sept. 23. K1PL has a new Viking Ranger. The West. Mass. traffic nets, both c.w. and phone, seem to have hit bottom, but as Jean, our RM, says, "There is only one way to go from there and that is up." With your help, the "up" will come sooner! K1GCV is at Clarkson College in Potsdam, N. Y. K1DAJ is back at Cornell after the summer vacation. K1CAU is off to the Air Force. K1TNX, of Uxbridge, is active on 6 meters. Gene Leger, KN1RQS, of 14 Norman Street, Springfield (no telephone), is willing to conduct code classes at his home. New officers of the Berkshire County Amateur Radio Association are K1MRP, pres.; K1CTL, vice-pres.; GTO, secy.; K1BUM, trans. KN1SBW has a new HQ-170 and a DX-60. K1GW has an Apache and an SX-11. It looks as though Holly Nuttall, COI, is getting back into the DX game. Early experiences of old-timers AMS, IW, AZW and BKW were highlights of a recent meeting of the BCARA, Westfield C.D. is conducting weekly code classes with an average attendance of approximately 20. Traffic: (Sept.) W1LDE 430, K1IJV 97, WIBVR 85, YXB 60, K1LBB 54, DAJ 9, PIL 5, W1DW2 2. (Aug.) W1YXB 46.

**NEW HAMPSHIRE—SCM.** Ellis F. Miller, W1IIQ—SEC; K1GQK, PAM; KVG, RM; K1TS, THE GSPN meets Mon. through Fri. at 2400 and Sun. at 1430 on 3842 kc. The CNEN meets Mon. through Sat. at 1145 on 3842 kc. The NHN meets Mon. through Sat. at 2330 on 3685 kc. Endorsements: PFU as ORS. Excellent weather prevailed for the first annual meeting of the CNEN, held at Pleasant Lake, Elkins, N.H. with 29 licensed hams and their families, representing the states of New Hampshire, Maine, New York, Massachusetts and Connecticut. The meeting held on Sept. 9 and 10 was ably assisted by host K1KRX, with music by K1VJ and a magic show by JNZ. An F.B. time was had by all. The

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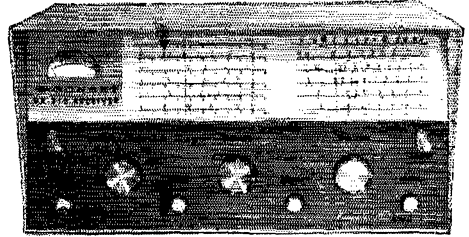
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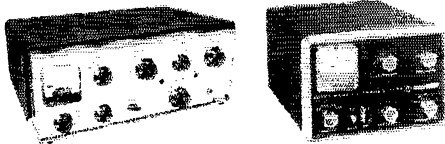
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months. Runners-up are K1GQH, CUE, MKA and  
K1CFX. Congrats, Ray, on an outstanding job. Competi-  
tion seems to be getting keener for ensuing periods.  
Under the able tutelage of K1BCS, Franklin has a new  
and active Novice, KNLTMD, who operates in the 3.7-  
Mc. band. K1IHK, now at the University of N.H., has  
some new gear but can't use it much because of study  
schedules. Traffic: WITA 106, QGU 84, CUE 35, PFU 22,  
11Q 18, AGM 16, K1BCS 12, W1JNC 12.

**RHODE ISLAND**—SCM, John E. Johnson, K1AAV—  
SEC: PAZ, RM; SMU, PAM; TXL, R1SPN reports 30  
sessions, 323 QNI, 53 traffic. New appointments are SKK  
and K1KDI as OOs, K1NEF as ORS. The NCRC of  
Newport reports that K1RCP was elected pres. and  
TXL vice-pres. in a recent election. JFF will be instruc-  
tor in code and theory. The W1AQ Club of Rumford  
reports that YUT and K1SYM were elected to member-  
ship. K1LDK was appointed acting secy. The club has  
issued WRI certificate No. 12 to BPM. During the month  
of February an Exhibition of Radio Equipment Old  
and New will be held at the Old Slater Mill in Paw-  
tucket. An R.L. QSO Party is being planned by the AQ  
Club during the exhibition. SMU is now mobile on 2  
meters. K1NEF now operates only weekends as he is  
back in school. During the hurricane emergency K1GRC  
reported 17 mobiles operating on 50.83 Mc. TXL origi-  
nated 63 pieces of traffic and SYE, the NCRC station,  
was thanked by the mayor of Newport for work during  
the storm. K1DUIH has modified his "Sixer" for mobile  
work. Traffic: (Sept.) W1SMU 287, TXL 178, K1NEF 78,  
PZY 52, GRC 45, DZX 37, AAV 16, DUH 13, W1WED  
9, K1GRA 8, LSA 8, PNT 7, JOD 6. (Aug.) K1GRA 18.

**VERMONT**—SCM, Miss Harriett Proctor, W1EIB—  
SEC: K1DQB, PAM; HRG, RM; KRV. The Wind  
Hams RC in Bellows Falls has started code and theory  
classes. K1KQC has returned to Dartmouth. Activity on  
6 meters is high in the southern part of the state. New  
officers of the Burlington ARC are K1CEJ, pres.;  
K1BVB/t, secy.; HRG, treas.; WPY, K1Q1O and  
Roy Clark, trustees. VSA is custodian of the trailer  
and its equipment. The SCM would like to have a postal  
card from amateurs willing to make a sked to give  
Vermont contacts and ragchews to out-of-state ama-  
teurs. Please let me know the bands you work and the  
times you could be on the air. I receive many requests.

## NORTHWESTERN DIVISION

**IDAHO**—SCM, Mrs. Helen M. Maillet, W7GGV—  
The Gem State Net meets on 3580 kc. at 0300Z Mon.  
through Sat. The Bingham County AREC meets for  
c.w. practice Mon., Wed. and Fri. on 3990 kc. at 1330Z.  
FARM Net members elected EEQ manager and K7NDX  
net control. Our sympathy goes to the family and  
friends of K7CZV, who became a Silent Key Oct. 2 as  
the result of an auto accident. New KN7s are QKV,  
QDT and PZF. RPB finally got his General Class  
ticket. BZJ and BDX are back on the air after a long  
silence. The Magic Valley Memorial Hospital is negotiat-  
ing with radio club members for emergency communica-  
tions. The Pocatello Club has started Novice training  
classes. Visitors to the SCM's ham shack were HMQ, the  
SEC of Washington, and his XYL, WHY, OAH, of  
Idaho Falls, monitors 145-6 Mc. every evening and in-  
vites travelers to call. JSY was pictured on the cover of  
Sept. QST. FARM Net Traffic: 56. Traffic: K7ILLR 133,  
KBY 43, W7GGV 19, VQC 18, EEQ 13, DWE 6.

**MONTANA**—SCM, Ray Woods, W7SFK—SEC: BOZ.  
PAM; YHS, RM; K7AEZ. The MPN meets on 3910 kc.  
at 1800 hours M-W-F; the MSN T-T-S at 1830 hours on  
3530 kc. Friends of K7LXG regret to hear that he is now  
a Silent Key. K7EWZ has moved to Whitefish from  
Plains, Mont. IGQ, of Stemple Pass, is now in Lincoln,  
Mont. BOZ, SFK and K7AJQ drove to Spokane to at-  
tend the regional conference of SCMs and SECs with  
CPY, Regional Director, officiating. SFK and TGG made  
a trip through Eastern Montana with many pleasant  
visits with amateurs in that area. RZY has a big bobcat  
added to his game animal collection. NPV still is work-  
ing on a missile radio. TGG will be the 7th district char-  
man for the YLRL as of Jan. 1, '62. CTI is heard from  
the Missoula Area now. A lot of interest is being noted  
here in Montana in RTTY. A new ham in the Butte  
Area is K0VKY/7. New calls in Billings are KNs QLO,  
QLP, QIQ, QLR, QLS and QLT. JAU is leaving for the  
service. Good luck, Weldon. There are lots of 2-meter  
rigs in Billings. K7OGF is working on a super antenna  
system and is working DX on 75 meters with it. Traffic:  
K7EWZ/7 27, OGF 9.

**OREGON**—SCM, Everett H. France, W7AJN—  
Appointment: K7JVN as OPS. Certificate endorsements  
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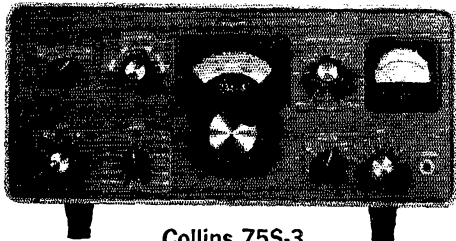


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went to K7DVK as OPS. ZFH and MTW as OPS. AJN as OPS and OBS. K7AXF has appointed K7HBA as the new Assistant EC for Northern Coos County. K7BZP is now on the air with a new Apache transmitter. Word is out that EFR is going mobile. On Aug. 29 RYN acted as communications coordinator for a mountain rescue team during a search. K7CBA assisted with mobile up to the mountain. ZB, B8Y, 180, UHL, WKP, YKY, K7HIZ and K7PDY helped in the relay and assisted in maintaining a clear frequency and ALG reports. "Operation Rescue" was a success. The Oregon State Net had 21 sessions with a check-in total of 172 and a traffic total of 48. BRAT awards went to MTW, ZFH and K7IWD. K7CLL is returning to law school and amateur activities will be less. Traffic: W7BDU 215, K7AXF 115, K8K 88, IWD 71, W7ZFH 45, MTW 28, DEM 19, AJN 10, K7CLL 2.

**WASHINGTON**—SCM, Robert B. Thurston, W7PGY - SEC; HMQ, RM; AIB, PAM; LFA, New officers of the Cascade Radio Club, Inc., are: UGK, pres.; K7DKV, vice-pres.; K7LAL, secy.; K7MBA, treas. Trustees are PTX, BLX, PRY, UVI and PQS. New hams in the Enumelaw Area are K7s GHZ and QKP and KN7s PZQ and PEL. AXT says he will be mobile again in the near future. GIP lost his antenna in the unseasonable storm of Sept. 1. Also K7CWO lost his vertical in a windstorm in Kennewick. The Spokane Club is proceeding ahead with getting the emergency truck together. EBU received his 2nd-class telephone license and now is studying for 1st-class. K7CHH received DUFFI from France and raised his beam to 40 feet. New officers of the Columbia Basin Net, which meets on 3960 kc, at 1930 PST, are K7JZT, net mgr., ZCE, secy., treas.; CJA, HRK and WCW, directors. If anyone is desirous of an "Admiral" certificate, contact K7JZT for information. RGL will start the Official Bulletin transmissions on 6-meter c.w. very soon now. The Radio Club of Tacoma (DK) has set its Annual Loggers Contest for 1400 PST Feb. 17 to 1400 PST Feb. 18, 1962. Five new General Class licensees appear in the DK Club. They are K7s CZF, AYZ, LXE, AMJ and NKZ. KIE, formerly of Olympia, is reported now in the Spokane Area. IPZ, retired from Naval Services as Chief Petty Officer. EMX is attending night school classes. UZB is QRL writing an article on the old-timers of the Evergreen 50 and Up Net. K7EYN is hard at work on a new Shawnee kit. The Boeing Amateur Radio Society started its Novice classes on Oct. 9 with four instructors. Classes will be held Mon. and Thurs. at 1930 to 2100. The DP gang was QRL lining up the Halloween Patrol for Walla Walla. EUU sends in a good traffic report again. K7MGD is the new EC for Garfield County. KN7PIY is sporting a new NC-300. KN7PHI is going for his General Class license. OIV is mobilizing on 10 meters. The VARC had a record of 438,347 to contend with at the Western Washington Fair at Puyallup. HMQ and WHV are back from a visit to Colorado and the Walla Walla Picnic. SLB was in and out of the Army in one week (some kind of a record we think). JJK is in the last semester at U. of W. MCO and MPH assisted the Fire and Police Departments in Elma on the way home from a vacation on the Coast with walkie-talkie and mobile rigs. TOU is blocking receivers with a Johnson 500. PGY and HMQ attended the Director's and SCM's meeting in Spokane. PSP has a new Heath Cheyenne. YFO has his 5-kw. generator now in operation. A new amateur in the Richland Area is K7KSF. The XYL of K7KSE, NNF is trouble-shooting his sick Viking. One hundred and twenty-five attended the Skagit Bar-B-Q on Sept. 16. AIB installed a noise silencer in the HQ-170. VFW will be on RTTY soon. Traffic: W7BA 1029, DZX 809, IEU 347, QLH 288, GYF 87, APS 83, ACA 74, OEB 63, AMC 53, KZ 28, IST 20, GIP 15, AIB 5, K7CWO 3.

## PACIFIC DIVISION

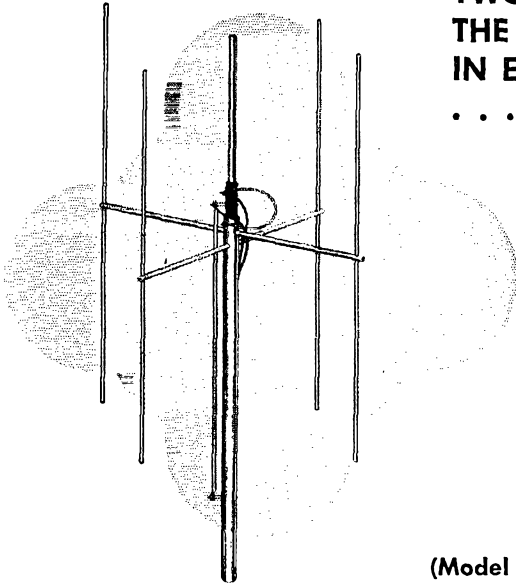
**NEVADA**—SCM, Charles A. Rhines, W7VIU—CNG is going RTTY. JDI has returned to Reno after his hitch in the Army. ZT has a new above-ground fall-out shelter. SKP has a kilowatt going. PC has been getting the e.d. communications bus station, IPPP, in shape. YKC is the new EC for the Las Vegas Area. HJ's appointment as SEC has been renewed for another year. Thanks for a fine job. Ray, PWE has been transferred to California. VIU and KOI have been checking up on their QSL cards towards the USA-CA Award. VIU is rebuilding his final. K7JUW is settled in Connecticut. BJB is now in radio service with the State Highway Department. HRW reports scoring about 4000 points in the June V.H.F. Contest. Two new hams in the Reno Area are K7LPN and KN7NMG. KN7OYJ has taken the Conditional Class exam. 6EBV got Nevada Achievement Award No. 76. Traffic: W7PBV 5, VIU 4.

**SANTA CLARA VALLEY**—SCM, W. Conley Smith, K6DYX—Asst. SCM, Ed. Turner, W8NVO. SEC:  
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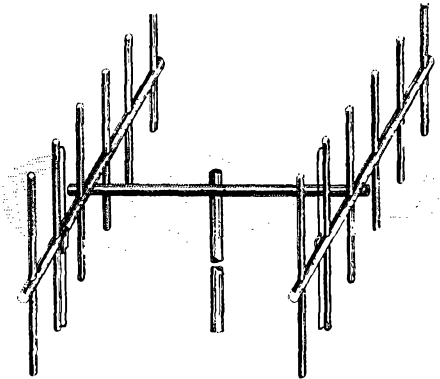
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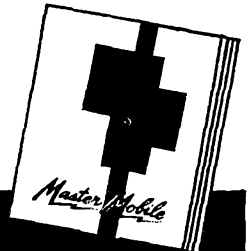


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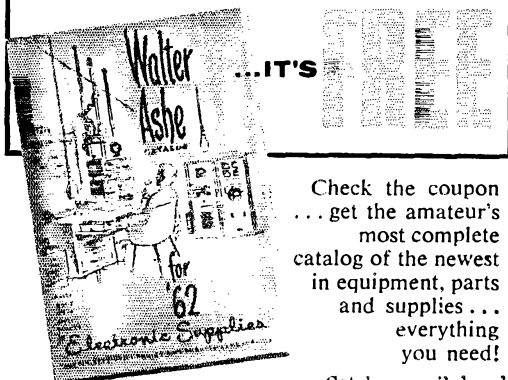
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W6ZRJ, PAM; W6ZLO, RM; K6KCB, W6DEF, EC, reports QRL a new job at United AL but he still found time to do a bang-up organizing job for Redwood City SET, W6AVJ, the son of W6FON, OPS, was married in Hawaii Oct. 14 and will live in Sunnyvale. Both he and the new XYL work for Varian, K6MTX, ORS, has a new 75A-4, K6MZN, OO Class I, is back in harness after an appendectomy. W6AUC, ORS, maintains regular skeds with Hawaii as well as with his brother, W4ENV, in Virginia. Your SCM got to Frank Quement's breakfast too late to find many hungry hounds who had come and gone. Saw K6TEH, OPS, admiring a Polycomm 62B just like the one he's installing. K6YKG, ORS, was full of pancakes and modest of his role in handling the Santa Clara County Fair exhibit for the SCCARA. W6CBO, prexy of the MBRC, discussed ways and means of taming a novice preamp. The Poothills ARS plans a "Giant Auction" for its November meeting. Several clubs have started Novice classes. The SCCARA opens W6UW at Red Cross in San Jose Tue. from 7:30 to 9:30 with a code and theory class planned to run through December. Monterey amateurs gave instruction at the Presidio, W6ORC/ADGRC, Tue. and Fri. nights 7:00 to 8:30. Initial interest is so great the courses probably will be repeated later. Traffic: (Sept.) K6KCB 749, K6DYX 234, W6OLQ 233, W6AIT 207, W6HJM 199, K6GZ 173, W6PON 68, W6DEF 56, K6ZCR 47, W6HC 45, W6AUC 36, W6EIC 19, W6YBV 18, K6BBF 8, K6VQK 8, K6EQE 3, K6MTX 2. (Aug.) W6HC 7, (July) W6HC 56, (June) W6HC 42.

**EAST BAY**—SCM, B. W. Southwell, W6OJW—SEC: W6HYU, ECs: K6VXK, W6FAR, W6WAH and K6HTJ, W6MNHJ is the new EC for the Richmond Area. The Oakland Radio Club is trying to bring its WACC Award files up to date. If you hold a certificate with any of the following numbers, please send information to ORC, 906 Fallon Street, Red Cross Bldg., Oakland, Calif. Certificate numbers needed are 2 through 7, 9 through 12, 14 through 17, and 19 through 23. Thanks. K6KLY wants anyone to write him on forming a net on 223.45 or 224.1 Mc. The ORC held its Old Timers Nite on Sept. 1 with a big turnout. Pacific Union College is forming a radio club. K6SZA and W6BPU are new members of the LARKS. The LARKS have four new 2-meter Communicators IV, W6TYM is the new TVI chairman for the LARK. The Livermore Club visited the FCC field monitoring station there, K6GK is QRL on a trip to Washington, Oregon and Idaho. The EBARC saw a movie on communications at its Sept. meeting. NCN is going great guns and is looking for members in Berkeley, Alameda, San Leandro, San Lorenzo and Oakland. If interested, please contact W6LVX, W6FBS and W6RXC worked portable from Yosemite but were unable to hear the Bay Area. K6AUD and W6ITX have gone into the hi-hi repair business. W6KCCZ is looking for South America and Africa for his WAC. W6NPC is QRL portable 7. W6BBJ has a DX score of 101.68. W6KUN is now a chief in Uncle Sam's Navy. K6YQG is in the Air Force. W6NFW is playing in a small band, W6RQS, a new member of the HARC, will be on the air soon. Here's a new YL for you YLCC certificate hunters. W6IMC is going to Cal-Poly School in San Luis Obispo. Keep the reports coming. Traffic: (Sept.) W6LVX 343, (Aug.) K6GK 132.

**SAN FRANCISCO**—SCM, Wilbur E. Bachman, W6RIP—SEC: W6ZKF, The S.F. Radio Club at its October meeting elected W6UDL, pres.; K6IMP, vice-pres.; W6LYA, secy.; and W6FAX, treas. The new board consists of W6DEV, W6DTQ, W6VYC, W6FDU, W6PBA and W6CTH. W6GCG will represent the club in the Central Calif. Radio Council. The BAYLARC group took part in the meeting. W6BDE, Esther Given, told how the "VIRL" originated and also wrote a song suitable for ham radio gals and the gang sang along with fun for all. Movies of the club picnic had been taken in color at the park and everyone enjoyed the surprise showing of movies they were unaware were being taken by W6AHH, K6YCG, the Treasure Island Radio Club, has moved to the northwest corner of the Island and lists a new phone number, Exbrook 2-3931 local 2385. Northern California Net Manager W6LVA, with Asst. Manager W6OLQ sent in a report. W6DEF will be civil defense advisor. W6BXXV is busy relaying traffic to some of the East Bay cities. W6MDE is up north and taking care of the Eureka Area. Outlets are still needed in Del Norte, Humboldt, Mendocino and Sonoma Counties. Please help out by checking in on 3635 kc. at 0300Z daily. The newly-appointed SEC, W6KZF, suggests that all groups organize an AREC group and get a net on the air for regular drills in case of emergency and also let the local disaster officials (Red Cross, C.D., Police and Sheriffs, etc.) know so that they can be made aware of your net and how you can help out. Try to get a station from your net on 3900 kc. at 10:30 A.M. for the AREC Net. W6FVP was the

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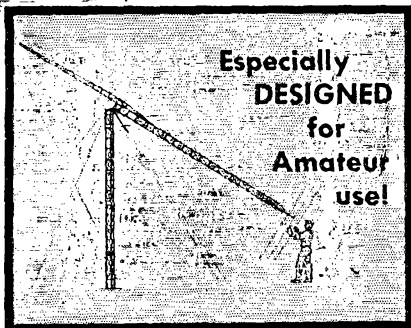
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first to find the hidden station in the recent 29ers hunt. Join the fellows mobile on Twin Peaks at 8 p.m., the 1st Thurs. of each month. Frequency is 29 Mc. W6B1P and W6SY, with K6DJC, comprised the last hidden station. Red Cross station W6XNO (W6JWF, trustee) and W6MLK (W6GGC, trustee) were active in the SET Drill. K6SRZ is attending college in the East. W6OPI is proud of his new membership in "I.R.E." Also congratulations to Fred on receiving a plaque from the Tamalpais Radio Club. W6JXK has moved from S.F. to Daly City. K6OHJ was out of the hospital and attended the recent S.F. meeting. K6ANP and W6GGC's YL Ramona have picked Jan. 13 as the big day and already have bought a new QTH in Marin County. It must be a good DX spot for Len's c.w. hobby. K6HYW also will marry a nurse, Connie Pomeroy, on Feb. 11. Best of luck to the happy four. Rae is well known to all the gang in the Pacific Division as she traveled to all the hamfests and conventions with her dad, especially while he was SCM of San Francisco. The CCRC meeting was held at the Red Cross Bldg. with the HAMS as host. The main topic was EC work. All clubs also listed coming club activities. If all the clubs in this section would be kind enough to send in club news this report could hold more interest to all. Please help send in news. W6QMO is one of a team for "Project OSCAR". W6PHS received a 5-year pin at "Eimac." Traffic: W6QMO 248, K6JFY 114, W6GGC 32, W6GHI 8, W6MLK 5.

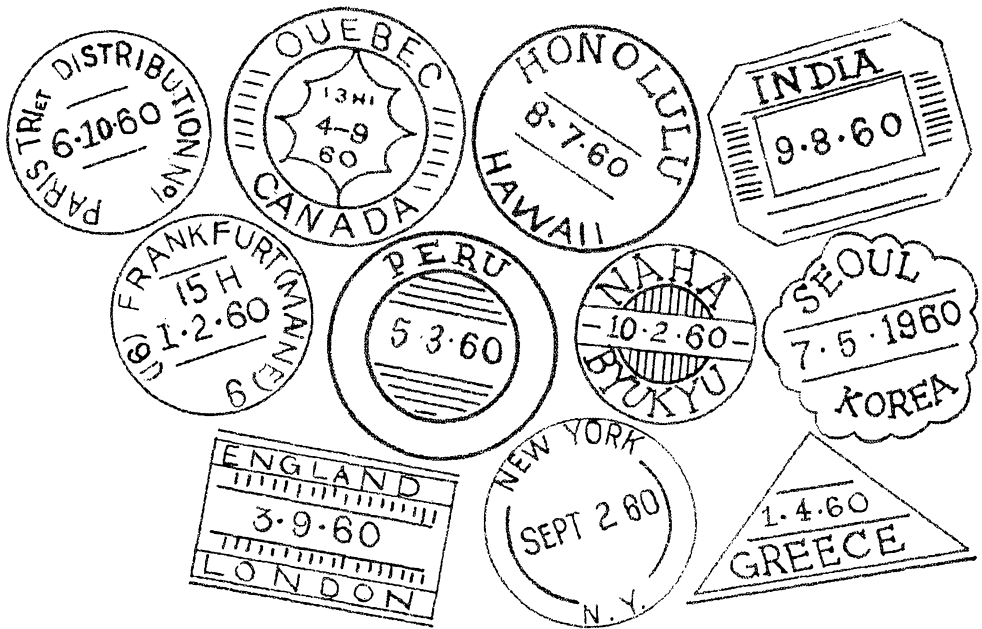
**SACRAMENTO VALLEY**—SCM, George R. Hudson, W6BTY—SEC, W6IKV. ECs: K6BNE, K6GOT and K6BYS. OBss: W6AF, W6ACJU, W6WGO and K6HHD. PAM: W6GQS, OO: W6WLI, W6GDO, K6ER, W6ZJW and K6EIL. ORSS: W6WGO and W6CEI. QES: W6PIV, OPSs: W6WGO, K6EIL, W6PIV, W6GQS, W66PVT and W6OXK. W6OXK has been elected prexy of the Enterprise High School Radio Club in Redding. The club meets the 1st and 3rd Mon. during the school year with W6AJZZ as vice-pres. and has 4 Conditionals, 1 Novice and 5 SWLs as charter members. W66PVT, temporarily off the air because of transmitter trouble, has managed to work 17 states and 12 DX countries using a new 10-15-meter beam. W6AF had an eyeball QSO with Vice-Director W6ZF and reports DX on 20 meters is fair to good. W6ZJW missed the FMT because of the failure of measuring equipment. Prexy W6WGO, MTN, advises the net is going PB and handled SET traffic. Sacramento Area 2-meter mobile group hidden transmitter hunts have been drawing big crowds. Anyone interested in joining, please contact W6AIMO, W6RXG or W5DWL/6 for details. Contact K6KDU or W6AIMO for information on the new 6-meter I.m. net being organized. Here is a message from your SEC: The AREC now has members registered in all but 4 of the 20 counties in the section and we know there must be members in 3 of these whose registrations are not in our file! The crying need is for more AREC members and an EC in each and every county of this section. How about taking an EC appointment for your county? Please contact K6IKV for openings. The downtown SARC had W6WGO as guest speaker. His topic was "TVI Committee as a Club Project." Traffic: W6WGO 40, W66PVT 22.

**SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY**—SCM, Ralph Saroyan, W6JPU—W6HYR has a new KWM-2. W6DRH is on 6 and 2 meters with a Seneca. K8ZCD has installed in his car a G78 transceiver, and is on 40- and 80-meter a.m. mobile. W6BVM and W6BYH still are operating out of the old airport tower and have 285 countries confirmed. W6ARI is back on the DX bands again. W6BRP is on s.s.b. with an HT-32 and is building up a final using a 4-1000. W6EFV is chasing DX with 285 countries confirmed. W6HT is moving into a new house trailer. W6ZEK is active on 40-80 meters. K6GDX won one of the 8-meter hunts that the c.d. gang holds every Monday night at 8 p.m. W6ZKH is the new net manager of the Tulare Radio Club, which meets at 10 a.m. on 3895 kc. W66FFS is the new net manager of the SJVN. W6CUA and W6WGZ are regular check-ins on the SJVN. The new officers of the Madera Radio Club are K6KLV, pres.; W6BWM, vice-pres.; K6MSX, secy. The Madera Radio Club furnished radio communications for the Old Timers Day Parade using a walky-talkie, 2 mobiles and a base station. The Madera Radio Club will sponsor the SJVN Picnic to be held Aug. 12, 1962, at Bass Lake. The SJVN had 579 check-ins, traffic of 118 and 26 sessions. K6ROU, K6CPQ, and W6ADB are regulars on the SJN Net in the S.J.V. section. W6ARE says that 2-meter activity is picking up. I would like to take this opportunity to wish every one of you a Very Merry Christmas. Traffic: (Sept.) K6ROU 119, W6ARE 31, W6EFB 20, W6ADB 19, K6OLN 6, (Aug.) W6ARE 28.

### ROANOKE DIVISION

**SOUTH CAROLINA**—SCM, Dr. J. O. Dunlap, W4GQV—SEC, K4PJE. RM: W4PED. PAM: K4KCO. (Continued on page 143)





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W1DBN/4, of Greenville, is active in promoting interest in the "Deep Freeze 62 Aeronautical Mobile Award," which lasts through December. At the Rock Hill Oct. 7 meeting six clubs in the state joined together in formation of "The S. C. Amateur Radio Council." See next issue of *SCARAB* for details. W4GQV announces that he will not be a candidate for SCM after his present term ends and that all nominations for his successor must be in by Dec. 11. Those taking part in the Sept. V.I.F. QSO Party were W4CPX, W4DEN, W4HQC, W4OYP, W4TLC, K4JQY and W4VIW. Analysis of FD operations are incomplete but indications are that the Spartanburg ARC and W4TWV had the best operations. In the section meeting held in Rock Hill Oct. 7, ARRL reports were given by the SCM, the RM, K4JVV, manager of the S.S.B. Net, W4CE, State Radio Officer, and W4MWH, Roanoke Division Director. K4FNX is running 15 watts from Hampton Institute where he is a sophomore. Traffic: K4HYV 222, K4BRP 144, K4COH 119, W4PED 112, W4HDR 84, W4AKC 73, K4OCU 30, K4HJK 27, K4AVU 26, W4CHD 16, W4TWV 14, K4HDX 13, K4KIT 7.

**VIRGINIA**—SCM, Robert L. Follmar, W4QDY—Asst. SCM, H. J. Hopkins, W4SHJ. Your SCM, W4QDY, reports from KG4-Land that his time there is growing shorter and he is looking forward to his return near the end of the year. New ECs are W4OID, K4CZO, K4JYL and K4RUQ. Newly-appointed ORSs include W4CGE, W4LRN and W4WBC. Plan ahead for the Roanoke Division Convention to be held in Roanoke in May, 1962. The PYRC lineup is now W3GRF, pres.; W4ZM, vice-pres. and act. mgr.; W3IPO, secy.; and K4ORQ, treas. K4ORQ, incidentally, is recently back from Iran where he held EPIAB and was instrumental in getting ham radio reinstated. The Virginia Century Club, composed of a group of real DX hounds in the Norfolk Area, is now ARRL affiliated. At the high school in Lawrenceville, the QRV Radio Club is again active. W4CYO continues his usual globe-hopping and W4ZM anticipates some of the same. W4JSJ is now at KR6DO and reports the DX is wonderful but bemoans the lack of W/K4 signals. Look for him on 14.175-ke, a.m. and in the 14-Mc. c.w. portions. Rats, not bats, in K4MXE's heltry bugged him by chewing up the coax. Tabby cleared up the trouble, however. VPJN has been hearing some KP4 and Cuban stations. W4BCP sports a new kw. linear. W4APM is trying various antennas to build up his DX count. W4JZZ and W4RUJ are cooperating on 6- and 2-meter projects. K4FAJ is very happy with new equipment including a 60-ft. tower and a Drake 2-B. The V-A-CWC Award is off to a flying start, says W4JUL. W4CGE qualified for a medalion with his third BPL. Traffic: (Sept.) W4PFC 359, W4DLA 200, W4CGE 171, K4MXT 158, W4NVX 158, K4FSS 119, W4LK 103, W4RHA 69, W4SHJ 58, W4BGP 56, W4TE 47, K4YZT 42, K4KNP 33, W4OOL 32, K4DCN 22, K4QIY 22, K4AL 21, W4IA 21, W4LRN 19, K4BAV 17, W4CYO 13, W4WBC 7, W4JUL 4, W4KFC 4, W4OWV 3, K4LAN 2, W4BZE 1, W4KX 1. (Aug.) W4PFC 742, K4PQV 81, K4QIY 15, W4BZE 8, K4FAJ 7, W4IA 3. (July) K4QIY 17, W4IA 13. (June) K4QIY 23.

**WEST VIRGINIA**—SCM, Donald B. Morris, W8JM—New officers of the Blennerhassett Radio Club are K8JLW, pres.; K8YBR, vice-pres.; K8PCT, secy.; K8YGZ, act. mgr. K8CSG resigned as EC for Kanawha County as he was called back into service. K8TNY and K8UQY are active on the WVN C.W. Net. K8MHH won the WVE Contest for the West Va. section. The Openrun Radio Society of Martinsburg elected John McCord, K8KZR, to the State Radio Council and George Folk, K8QYG, to serve on the Centennial Committee. K8JLF has returned from Germany and has his antennas ready for winter traffic. K8MYU is a new ORS and is active in traffic nets. K8IMZ is attending Marshall U. ORS. OPS, OBS and OO appointments are open for those interested. WHQ has a new tower and beam for 14-Mc. DX work. K4PRQ and K8LOU are new members of the Worked All Countries in West Va. West Va. C.W. Net NSC would like to have more activity on the net, which meets at 1900 on 3570 kc. Traffic: K8MYU 115, W8NYH 48, K8LOU 30, HID 21, JLF 14, W8JM 3, K8IMZ 3.

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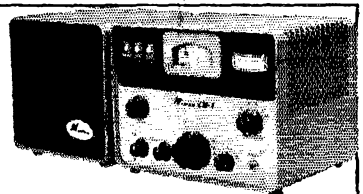
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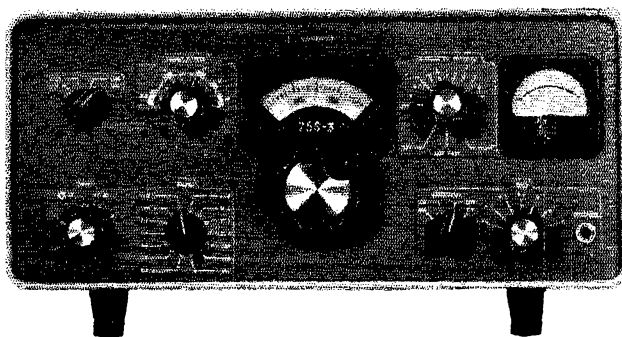
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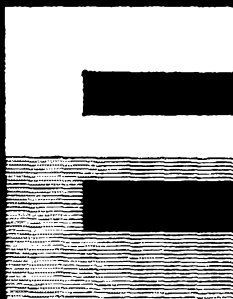
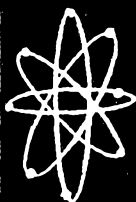
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**COLORADO**—SCM, Donald S. Middleton, WONT—SEC: SIN, PAMS; CNW and LJR, RM; FEO, ORBS; KODCC and KOEPD, K7MFF, O, of Littleton, is a newly-appointed ORS, WWJ is the late-t Canary Award applicant (DRC), SIN reports there is a new Denver Area Training Net in Denver. The net meets Mon. and Wed. at 2100 MST on 29.640 kc. The P.A.R.A. held a ham gear sale Oct. 2 to raise money to buy a club transmitter and took in nearly one hundred dollars. The largest Colorado all-ham family was completed in late September when Betsy, age 8, was licensed as WN0AHD and Mary, age 14, was licensed as EPML. They are the daughters of Colorado SCM Don Middleton, who has two older daughters who are licensed. The NYL is VLS, mother is K0JJJ and brother is 6PWT. NVL is away at school again with the FAA, WWD made the BPL. Congratulations to the Western Slope Club on its FR Ham Picnic held Sept. 17 with 53 hams present. K0WWD made the BPL. Traffic: K0WWD 806, W0BES 407, K0D 101, K7MFF O 80, K0DCW 72, EVG 57, ZSQ 22, WGC 18, W0ENA 5, K0WVJ 4, W0SIN 1.

**UTAH**—SCM, Thomas H. Miller, W7QWH—Asst. SCM: John H. Sampson, jr., 70CX, SEC: K7BLR, RM: OCN, K7HFL has been appointed EC for Salt Lake County. He has been very active with the AREC and has been NCS on the 2-Meter AREC Net. BAJ participated in the recent Frequency Measuring Test and the WVE Contest. VFD has earned the net certificate on BUN, K7s GRW and GOG, in Lewiston, have heard Salt Lake and Ogden stations on 2 meters. GOG is planning more elaborate equipment and better antennas so he should be able to hear Ogden and Salt Lake more often. OCN, QWH, YEO and K7BCU earned BRAT Awards for work on BUN. OCN also made it on TWN. The Ogden ARC had a good simulated emergency communication exercise. Civil defense officials and newspaper reporters thought it was tops. TWN has moved to 3570 kc. YEO has been called to active duty with the National Guard and will be missed on BUN. SCM comment: It would be nice to have ten more OCNs in the section. Traffic: W7OCX 91, QWH 6.

**NEW MEXICO**—SCM, Newell F. Greene, K5JQL—Asst. SCM: Carl W. Franz, 5ZHN, SEC: BQC, PAM; ZUL, JLF, PAM; FPB. The Breakfast Club meets Mon. through Sat. at 0700 MST on 3838 kc. NMEPN meets Sun. at 1730 and Tue. and Thurs. at 1800 on the same frequency. Portable groups were active during September. CK, LEP and K5UYF made 350 QSOs from the Four Corners site. On Sept. 23 a RACES net was set up on 145.44 Mc. at six sites from Grants to Moriarty and Sandia Crest. The Las Cruces Club joined with Sun City in collecting seventeen tons of food for flood victims after "Carla." Los Alamos has 25 enrollees in its code and theory class. Twelve RACES licenses have been received there. The Certificate Hunters Club will sponsor the 3rd Annual N.M. QSO Party, originated by the Sandia Base ARC. Traffic: (Sept.) W5ZLN 174, PDO 64, UBW 54. (Aug.) W5ZLN 539.

**WYOMING**—SCM, Lial D. Branson, W7AMU—The Pony Express Net meets Sun. at 0800 MST on 3920 kc. The YO Net is a c.w. net on Mon., Wed. and Fri. at 1830 MST on 3610 kc. PVN has a new sideband rig on with a nice signal. ONK went from Novice to Conditional Class with a new transmitter. HDS is doing a nice job on the RACES roll call every night. K7LAY is NCS for the RACES Phone Net on 3920 kc. every night in the week. HH has a new Collins complete outfit, c.w., a.m. and sideband. The Casper Radio Club runs code instruction classes every Tue. evening. Traffic: W7HDS 51, BHH 29, AMU 16, K7KLE 15, AHO 6, AAW 5, W7HH 5, TZK 4, 7CQL 3, K7CQN 3, ONK 3, W7BEL 2, K7ION 2, W7YWW 2.

## SOUTHEASTERN DIVISION

**ALABAMA**—SCM, William D. Dotherow, K4AOZ—SEC: K4JDA, RM: K4YUD, PAMs: K4BTO and K4PFM. New appointments: K4LNA as ORS, W4ONU reports new Generals in Springville are K4BRZ, K4NUW, W4ABSE and W4BQI; Novices are W4BRYC and W4CPF. New officers of the Springville ARC are K4NUW, pres.; WHISU, vice-pres.; K4WSK, secy.; W4ABSE, treas. New hams in Huntsville are W4FFZ 4, W4PKQ 4 and W4PXY 4. K4WSS, EC, reports the Marshall County AREC members met in Albertville on Sept. 22 to make plans for emergency operations. W4RTQ was appointed Asst. EC and will set up a local 6-meter net. K4WSS also reports on a new c.w. class in Albertville, Mon. through Fri. Contact him for details. K4KJD has a new 325-L. K4PFM is Sat. NCS for TCPN. W44BDW passed the General Class exam and has a new HQ-150. (Continued on page 148)

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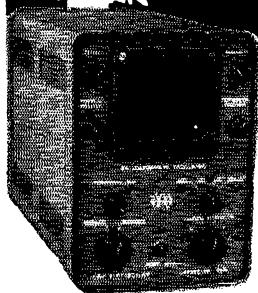
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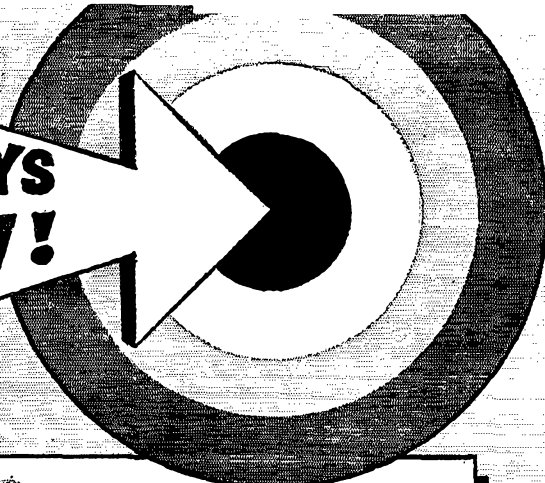
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W4BMM, EC, reports Cullman County participated in the SET. The smallest city in Alabama, population 67, Ethelsville, has three hams, K4TDJ, K4PIII and K4DQL. K4RIL reports from the Tri-Cities: K4KHC moved to Florida; K4ZBX is the new secy.-treas. of the Muscle Shoals ARC; K4LGF is in the hospital; W4ZSH moved to Pennsylvania; W4BSS and W4BGM, the daughter and NYL of W4WVG, have passed the Conditional Class exam. W4CIU is putting the finishing touches on a new shack. K4WWP operates Eico 720, 730, SX-100, mostly on c.w. W4PKA, EC, prepared for the Oct. 7-8 SET by holding two practice runs Sept. 16 and 30, using 6 and 75 meters with mobile and fixed stations, the emphasis being placed on correct message-handling. The Deatur ARC participated in the "Tennessee Valley Exposition" by operating a booth at the fair and originating 165 messages. Stations participating: W4PKA, W4FQQ, K4WIIW, W4EHP, K4ROP, K4PND and K4WHV. AENT certificates were issued to K4FQG, K4FTC and K4PIII. W4OQG reports K4WVD and K4ZY0 are Alternate NCSs for AENT. W4OQG, AENT mgr., invites stations who cannot meet AENP to pass their traffic on AENT on 3965 kc. at 1630 CST as they have regular liaisons to AENP. K4OIV reports the Bessemer ARC's new call is W4BZG. New officers of the Bessemer ARC are K4INO, pres.; W4EFP, comm. mgr.; K4JSP, treas.; K4OIV, secy. W4EFP is instructor of a radio class at the Bessemer club room and three received their calls. W4AZC, W4AAWZ and W4ACLL. We regret the passing to Silent Keys of W4ECK. Congrats to K4FYR, the new mgr. of AENS. He invites all Madison County hams to check in to AENS each Sun. on 3825 kc. at 1330 CST. W4UAR, OES, is participating in the OSCAR project. He requests that all amateurs in Calhoun County interested in RACES, contact W4AEP, e.d. director for Calhoun County. K4YUD, AENB mgr., reports a new daytime c.w. traffic net, 4RDN, on 7125 kc. at 0900 CST (1500Z). All Alabama stations are invited to participate. *Six-Meter News:* K4HIX, the NYL of K4HAG, was selected as "Sears Citizen of the Year" by the Birmingham District. K4UMD, AENO mgr., welcomes to AENO, W4ABXU and K4RWV. K4UMD is awaiting his General Class ticket. W4CIU now has plate modulator in his 6-meter rig. K4DJR is NCS on AENO Fri. nights. W4UAR reports RACES Officers for Calhoun County are W4LEO as Radio Service Officer and W4GBP as Communications Officer. *Notice:* After Dec. 14, address all correspondence and reports to your new SCM, who is listed on page 6 of QST. Traffic: (Sept.) K4YUD 159, K4PFM 141, K4WHW 104, K4WSH 76, K4AOZ 58, K4DJJ 48, K4PIII 45, W4RLG 44, K4FTC 43, K4GXS 26, W4MI 23, W4OKQ 19, K4PBY 18, W4WHW 17, K4BFT 14, K4BTO 13, K4YTT 13, W4DS 11, K4KJD 10, K4ZNI 10, K4JDA 9, K4RIL 7, K4TDJ 6, K4KDE 5, W4OXU 5, W4TOI 5, W4CIU 4, K4WVD 4, W4BDW 3, W4YRO 3, K4DGH 2, K4DJR 2, K4MD 2, K4WSK 2, K4WSS 1, K4ZY0 1. (Aug.) K4PBY 21, K4WIF 20, K4WWP 14.

**EASTERN FLORIDA**—SCM, Albert L. Hamel, K4SJH—SEC: W4YTP, RM: K4KDN, RM RTTY: W4EHC, PAAMS: 40 W4SDR, 75 K4LFC, V.H.F. W4RMU, S.S.B. W4CENZ, K4ZCN, sorry you dropped traffic. Same for W4EAT, who will be greatly missed. W4EXM is in Daytona Beach. He was KR6AM on Okinawa. K4MTP now is official weather station No. 2411. K6SXX/4 is a welcome addition to our traffic gang. W4IWM is back with traffic. K4RNS still is getting certificates, with WEM (Worked Editors Monitor) the latest. K4ZIF has a Public Service Award from ARRL for service during "Donna." Just because the doughnut man was late W4AYD doesn't come by any more. W4CKB made over 800 QSOs from HK1QQ while on vacation. W4SGY and K4ILB are ready for anything, emergency work, v.h.f., and high frequencies on s.s.b., a.m. or c.w. If you don't have report cards, send me a hamgram for some. If you find I made a mistake, let me know about it. If anything gripes you, fellows, drop me a line and let's talk it over. Traffic: (Sept.) K4SJH 732, K4KGB 687, W4TCB 607, W4BMC 370, K4LFC 228, W4AKU 216, W4DVR 205, W8L DU/4 178, K4RDX 152, K4BY 143, K4KDN 124, K4COO 120, W4CZ 109, K4DBT 105, W4TRS 89, K4ENW 84, W4FE 82, W4RV 80, W4YT 71, K4ILB 60, W4AKB 58, K4AKQ 58, W4EAT 55, K4YTX 53, W4ZAK 53, K4AX 52, K4LVE 52, W4TRU 44, W4IHT 40, K4YSN 38, K4VSA 37, K4MTP 36, K4JZU 35, K4YOQ 34, W4WPD 33, K4GBS 31, K4ANR 30, K6SXX/4 30, W4BKC 29, W4IWM 27, K4JZX 26, W4AZZ 25, W4CWD 24, K4BOO 23, K4JWA 22, K4YSP 20, W4ZJ 19, W4BBZ 19, W4DOW 19, W4SGY 18, K4DAX 17, K4GUE 17, W4LMT 17, W4LSA 17, K4RNS 17, K4JJZ 14, K4MZR 14, K4OZS 14, W4VCS 14, W4DPD 13, K4ZIF 12, W4AYD 11, W4DKJ 11, W4TAS 11, K4YPN 11, W4NGR 10, K4VGD 8, K4DAD/4 7, K4EYI 6, W4GOG 6, K4GSD 6, K4RNG 6, W4BWR 5, W4DQS 4, W4DSH 4, K4LWZ 3, W4BGL 2, W4LMT 1, W4SVB 1. (Aug.) W4EHW 101, K4BSS/4 118, W4FPC 93, W4WPD

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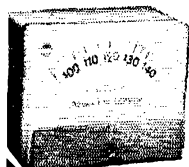


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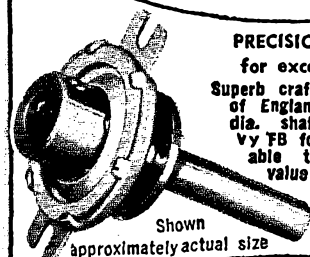
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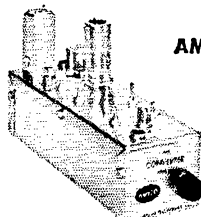
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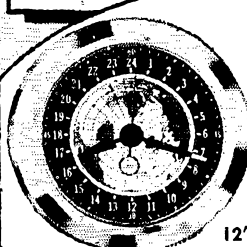
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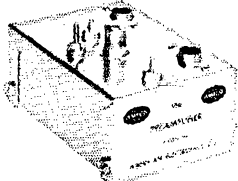


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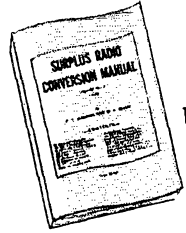
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**WESTERN FLORIDA**—SCM, Frank M. Butler, jr., W4RKH—SEC, W4MLE, PAM; W4WEB, RM; K4UBR. The Section AREC Net has been reinstated, meeting Sat. at 2200Z on 3845 kc. with W4MLE as NCS. All ECs and other LOs are urged to check in. Madison: W4WMA is converting an ART-13. Perry: W4KQP has several prospective Novices in the school radio club. Tallahassee: W4RKH gave a talk on 10-meter ground-wave work at the monthly club meeting. Activity on 29,500 kc. is booming, with 10 stations active and more coming on. W4MLE and W4SEC have 24-hour monitors. W4WGR has moved to Crawfordville; he and W4IAP will form the nucleus of an AREC unit in Wakulla County. The TARC is sponsoring a code and theory class; the instructor is K4YPI. Panama City: K4CNY has moved to a new QTH and will be working for BPL again. Through the e.l., Bay County hams have obtained twelve 2-meter transceivers for local coverage. The frequency will be 145.2 Mc. Gulf County is expected to obtain similar equipment soon. Fort Walton: W4ZGS, W4PLK, W4SKK and others are experimenting with 220- and 432-Mc. gear. Pensacola: The V.I.F. Club is busy with Sports Car Races. The PARC held an FB fishry at its new club house. New hams are W4AALH, WN4CLD, WN4CLH and WN4CWD. W4GRO and K4GOJ are going to RTTY; W4JWC is putting up a windmill tower. Traffic: (Sept.) K4JDW 77, W4WEB 68, K4LOL 43, K4VND 41, K4PAT 40, (Aug.) K4UBR 156, K4CNY 123, K4BDF 30, K4ZIV 8, (July) K4CNY 141, (June) K4CNY 149.

**GEORGIA**—SCM, William F. Kennedy, W4CFJ—SEC: W4PMJ, PAMs: W4LXE and W4ACH, RM: W4DDY. GCEN meets on 3995 kc. at 1830 EST Tue. and Thurs., 0800 on Sun. GSN meets Mon. through Sun. on 3595 kc. at 1900 EST and 2200 EST with W4DDY as NC. The 75-Meter Mobile Net meets each Sun. on 3995 kc. at 1700 EST with W4LG as NC. The GPYL Net meets each Thurs. on 7200 kc. at 0000 EST with K4ZS as NC. The Atlanta Ten-Meter Phone Net meets each Sun. on 29.6 Mc. at 2200 EST with W4BGE as net mgr. The Ga. S.S.B. Net meets Mon. through Fri. on 3972 kc. at 2000 EST with K4RIB as net mgr. The Atlanta Radio Club Phone Net meets each Sun. on 21.36 Mc. at 2100 EST with W4DOC as NC. W4PIM has a Viking Valiant. Join the boys on 40 meters in their new net that meets on 7125 kc. daily at 1000 EST. K4LFR is going on 220 Mc. The August boys sure put on a swell hamfest and all the gang had a swell time. Yours truly hopes that Santa Claus brings everyone a new receiver and transmitter. Traffic: W4DDY 169, K4BYD 57, W4PIM 56, K4BAI 54, W4HYW 42, K4VTH 3.

**WEST INDIES**—SCM, William Werner, KP4DJ—C.D. Radio Officer; MC, KP4 QSL Mgr. Congratulations to Technician SV and APR on obtaining General Class and to WP4XO, who is now KP4, SV celebrated with a new 100V s.s.b. exciter. APR is the new editor of PRARC's *Ground Wave*. DJ is amateur radio representative on the Red Cross Disaster Committee. MC is preparing a RACES plan. AMG acquired a B&W 5100 and is having fun on 20-meter phone. MO is getting out on 40 meters with a new Gotham vertical and AOO is using the same. AOK has a new Heath Warrior and is assembling an SB-10 to go with the Heath Apache. The PRARC Local QSO Contest, with c.w. and phone on different week ends, brought out at least 20 "c.w." operators Sept. 23-24. DJ worked 13 of them. AXC is believed to have the highest phone contest score with 53 contacts. All on 50 Mc. HB5GZ and TI2NA gave the phone contestants an extra thrill during a short 50-Mc. band opening. The PRARC meetings the first Tue. of every other month starting Nov. 2 at Civil Defense Hq. in Rio Piedras. DV is back on with a Johnson Invader and the old reliable 80-meter antenna and has a 10-kw. emergency power plant at home and another at his office! VP2KS uses the Heath DX-40 and v.i.o. on 7 Mc. from St. Kitts. New Novices on 3725 kc. are WP4BAF, BBI, BBN and BCZ. PJ is working lots of DX with a new Gonset 100-101, a Hornet Tribander and a Drake 2B when not mobiling with the "Sixer." ATV's 80- and 40-meter dipoles help his 813 put out a big signal while waiting for the Hornet triband beam. ATV transmitted the hurricane advisory direct from the USWB to the 80-meter C.D. Net. AOV wiggles a mean lug from Ponce. KQQHF is now KP4BCA at Ft. Buchanan. AAA is now with U.S. Customs. NCS CK says his 6-meter Civil Defense Net averages 22 stations reporting each Mon. at 8 p.m. on 50.5 Mc. CL says she has worked 88 countries on 20-meter s.s.b. in six weeks, among them VP5BH/5 at Cayman Island on 14,307 kc. 400 also worked VP5BH/5 at Cayman Island on 14,307 kc. AOO also worked son of AFE and grandson of WT. WT has a new 32V-2 which she uses on 20 meters handling traffic to Venezuela, Panama, Nicaragua, Haiti and the U.S. for students of

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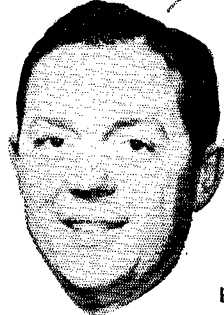


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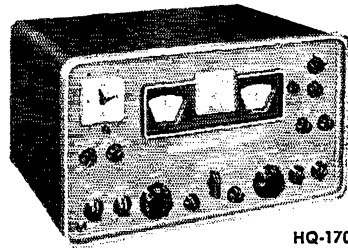
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the U. of Mayaguez. WT appeared on a 30-minute interview of TV channel 3 where the "Grandmother of KP4-Land" also gave a demonstration of traffic-handling by contacting AFK and AFE on 6 meters using AZU's equipment. Her title stems from 20 years as an SWL and having 5 grandchildren (she now has fifteen) when she became a KP4. DL has moved to his new house in Mayaguez. The Antilles Emergency Weather Net and the 40-Meter C.D. Net were activated because of floods caused by Hurricane Frances. AFL is confined to home using crutches after a leg operation. AWH is on 40 and 75 meters in the evenings working stateside, and experimenting with the plate modulation of the Cheyenne transmitter and long-wire antennas for these bands. AXO helped WP4BCZ pass the exam and was his first QSO. NCS TYN advises the 80-Meter C.D. Net now meets Tue. at 5:30 p.m. AST on 3M10 kc. Stations reporting regularly are WT, ASK, ATV, ATY, AMK, AWH, AXO and VP2OE. MARS meets at 6 p.m. Mon.-Wed.-Fri. The Official ARRL appointments of AAA, ABN and CQ3RC have been cancelled because of inactivity. ACF received the WPR-25 Award for 50 Mc. WPR25, WPR50, WPR75, WPR100 for h.f. and WPR-N-10 and WPR-N-20 for Novice contacts. Traffic: (Sept.) KP4WT 166, AWH 4. (July) KP4AWH 2.

**CANAL ZONE—SCM.** Thomas B. DeMeis, KZ3TD—Club officers of the Canal Zone Amateur Radio Assn. met with officers of the Liga Panamena De Radio Aficionados. The primary concern of the meeting was to get closer cooperation between the clubs on matters of mutual interest. The Liga expressed interest in setting up a c.d. net. At present the Panama Phone Net operates Sun. mornings on 7080 kc. and we pointed out that the Canal Zone amateurs could not use phone below 7150 kc. The groundwork for this net is being worked out by the Liga with a view towards Canal Zone amateurs participating. The Liga expressed sincere interest in Senator Barry Goldwater's Bill S-2361, particularly since some of the Panama amateurs are at present attending college in the U.S. The Liga also discussed the possibility of trying to extend amateur radio privileges for persons using the Pan-American Highway and the Trans-Isthmian Highway. At the present time mobile operation is forbidden in the Republic of Panama except for certain licenses issued years ago during an interest in C.D. Net activities. The CZARA sent a letter to Senator Goldwater approving Bill S-2361 and urged its members to contact their own senators to approve this Bill. The Crossroads Amateur Club reported the start of new code classes. BG has moved to the Pacific side. FG is new activities manager for the club. KR is finishing off his work on his RTTY setup. KA, RM, EJ and HK are back after Stateside vacations. HO is back on the air after replacing a defective plate switch. BL finally raised his 10-, 15- and 20-meter beams. FM has his 10- and 15-meter beams up also. HX now is using a tri-band beam with his HT-32. TD hopes to have his 20-meter quad up soon. Traffic: KZ5JW 137, TF 52, OB 47, TD 21, OA 14, CD 12, HF 11, KR 10, AD 9, HR 3, FG 2.

## SOUTHWESTERN DIVISION

**LOS ANGELES—SCM.** Albert F. Hill, jr., W6JQB—Asst. SCM: Lyle G. Farrell, W6KGC. RMs: W6BHG, WA6ROF and K6LVR. PAMs: W6ORS and K6PZM. The following stations earned RPL August traffic: W6WPF, K6EPT, W6GYH and WA6JDB. Congrats, fellows! W6GYH is in there swinging after a bout in the hospital. K6UYK has a new Heath "Twoer" on the air. WA6DWP is taking a night course in electronics at Citrus College. K6YVN reports MCAN-7 membership is growing very fast. WA6CKR is putting a G-76 in the station wagon for mobile operation. K6COP attended the S.S.B. Convention and is now hard at it at Cal. Poly. W6ORS has a boat and is expected to be "AM!" WA6ROF has a new Ford Falcon Futura and is busy with Project OSCAR. WA6OUK, WA6HTK, W6NAA, WA6BFC, W6WAW and the rest of the EC gang were busy getting lined up for the SET. WA6HUO had a nice trip to Lake Tahoe and has a new G-62. W6WNR is keeping skeds with W8MPD, who also is a high school physics teacher! (Continued on page 134)

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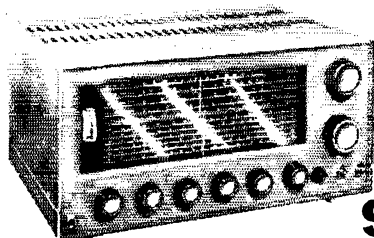
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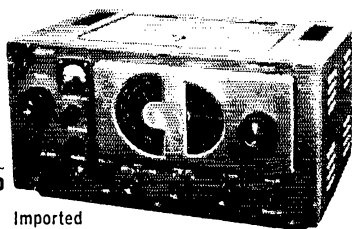
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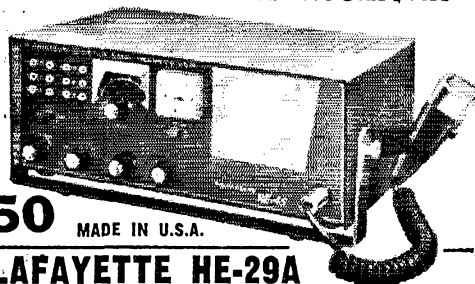
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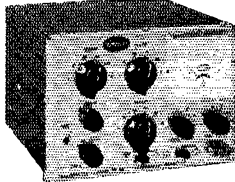
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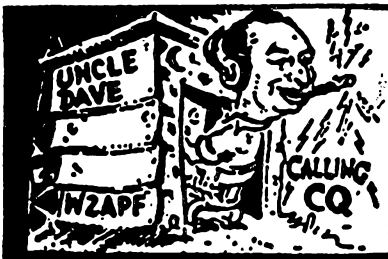
**ARIZONA**—SCM, Kenneth P. Cole, W7OZII—Asst. SCM/SEC: George Mezey, K7NIY. PAM: OIF RM; LND. The Copper State Net meets at 1930 MST Mon. through Fri.; the Grand Canyon Net Sun. at 0800 on 7210 kc.; the Tucson ARRLC Net Wed. at 1900 on 3880 kc. We wish to congratulate the Catalina Radio Club of Tucson, Ariz. With a 53 per cent ARRL membership, they have submitted the necessary papers and should be an affiliated ARRL Club soon. A 2-meter ragchewing net is being sponsored by the Old Pueblo Radio Club. Tune in any Wed. night at 2000 hours. At a meeting of the Arizona Amateur Radio Club the following members were elected to the Board of Directors: CS, pres.; OIF, CEH, WFY, MAE, K7BXT, K7MSD and K7NPLO. A c.w. net was set up recently by LND, RM for the State of Arizona. It meets Mon., Wed. and Fri. at 1900 MST on 3515 kc. The establishment of this net was publicized throughout the state. To say that your SCM was disappointed in the turnout is the understatement of the year. Participation was extremely poor. We will continue to net for another 90 days, and ask that all the amateurs in the State of Arizona check in. Let's make this c.w. net a success. WVR is on the air with a new mobile rig. New call: K7QWR, formerly F7BM, Roy recently moved to Scottsdale, Ariz., from the French Riviera. Traffic: W7LND 212, K7AWI 4.

**SAN DIEGO**—SCM, Don Stansifer, W6LRU—Your SCM would like to thank all ARRL members in the section for the recent interest in the first election for SCM in this section for years. Your vote to have me as SCM for another two-year period is appreciated, and all possible will be done to make this the best two years in this section. W6JH had major surgery in October and is now home recovered and working DX. WA6BUX is up to 106 countries worked. W6ZVQ, contest champion, has been in W5-Land for some months on company business. Welcome back to the section to W6UWL, OO, who is now in Orange. K6RPD is a police cadet attending college, and K6YFA is a member of the reserve police in San Diego. K6LKD and WA6CDD are both QRL with college. Ex-K6BEC is now K1SAW. K6RCK, OES in Santa Ana, reports his XYL, K6RYP, had surgery and is now home. Convention progress for the division convention to be held at Disneyland next summer is progressing on schedule, with a "Queen" contest held recently which was a success, per chairman K6LJA. The North Shores Club of San Diego is now ARRL affiliated. Congratulations, K6RNX, in Escondido, broke over the magic number and has now worked 301 countries. The October meeting of the San Diego DX Club was held at the home of W6EPZ. W6CHV is now on s.s.b. with a home-built exciter and a pair of 813s, and his country total is up to 280 confirmed. K6BHM, now at San Diego State College, finds time to work DX, and is up to 184 worked. Traffic: (Sept.) W6YDK 3165, W6LAB 2908, K6BPI 2407, W6EOT 956, WA6CDD 245, K6LKD 173. (Aug.) W6YDK 3246.

## WEST GULF DIVISION

**NORTHERN TEXAS**—SCM, J. L. Harbin, W5BNG—Asst. SCM: E. C. Pool, 5NFO. SEC: K5AEX. PAM: AYN. RM: L.H. ACB has been forced to resign as net manager of the NTX because of the activation of a National Guard Unit of which he is a member. Jay is to be commended for the fine job he has done in the short time he has been net manager. EUY, club station of the Arlington State College ARC, is proud of a certificate of affiliation dated 1935 and signed by the late Hiram Perry Alaxim. The club's new officers are K5LLA, pres.; K5HTM, vice-pres.; K5SLDQ, secy.; K5RAY, treas. The club received much praise from the president of the college for its assistance in coordination of registration by setting up 6-meter communication between the school offices. Hurricane Carla furnished plenty of opportunity for the hams in this area to demonstrate their ability to handle traffic in an emergency. The ama-

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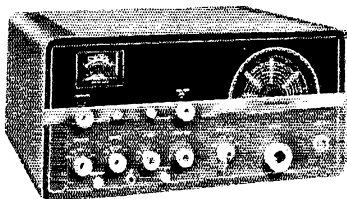
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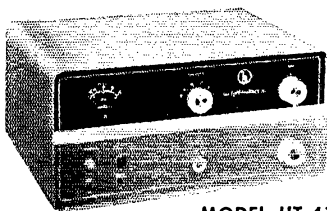
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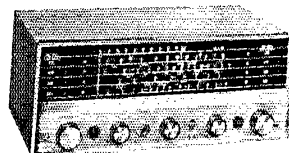
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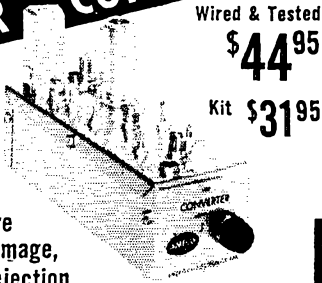
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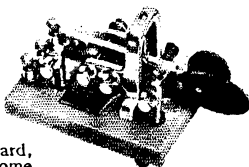


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**OKLAHOMA**—SCM, Adrian V. Rea, W5DRZ—SEC: K5KTW. We regret to announce the resignation of MFX as manager of the Oklahoma Phone Emergency Net. Cecil has been mighty faithful and put in a lot of work on this net for six years. Thanks, Cecil, from all of us. K5PDM, EC for Seminole County, was the guest of the whole school system at Wewoka, J.W. is really doing the advertising. The SCM met with the Edmond Radio Society on Sept. 8 and was awarded an EARS certificate by that club. We also met with the Kay County Club and the Enid Club. The Kay County boys entertained us all with a fine picnic. K5OHU is the new secretary of the Oklahoma Central V.H.F. Club. K5DIO has become a Silent Key. Our sympathy and blessing to his family. Oklahoma has some fine nets. The e.w. nets, OLZ and SZZ, both meet on 3682.5 kc. at 1900 and 2130 CST, respectively. The phone nets are on 3850 kc. at 1800 CST and 7235 kc. at 1220 CST. We need some higher-power stations, who will become regular members of the net and then take responsibility as NCS when requested by the P.M. Traffic: (Sept.) K5MRK 111, W5DRZ 103, K5JGZ 99, AUX 80, OCN 61, W5PAW 57, COK 35, K5IBZ 33, W5JXM 20, MFX 19, CCV 17, K5JOA 16, OOV 16, DMS 15, W5JCY 15, UYQ 15, K5CBG 12, W5PNG 12, K5VVD 12, W5WDD 10, K5ZCJ 9, JJJ 7, VNJ 7, BNG 6, EZM 4, W5EHC 3, K5HQE 3, W5WAF 3, (June) W5ORH/5 1495.

**SOUTHERN TEXAS**—SCM, Roy K. Eggleston, W5QEM—SEC: AIR. I am sorry that I missed the column last month but about that time everyone was boarding up for Hurricane Carla, and since that time everyone has been trying to get his antennas back up. Winds ranged from 100 miles per hour in Corpus Christi to 172 miles per hour at Pt. Lavaca. Needless to say the amateurs did a wonderful job before, during and after the hurricane passed. There were two stations in Pt. Lavaca that stayed on even with the 173-mile winds, Victoria and Edna, also almost in the center, stayed with their communications. So many stations participated, it would be impossible to list all of them, and about all we can say is thanks, fellows and gals, for a job well done. The emergency nets really paid off regardless of what some few in Southern Texas think of them. Incidentally, I didn't hear them on trying to help. Our deepest sympathy to AQK and BKH on the loss of their son, QKF. AIR and QEM visited the El Paso Amateur Radio Club. I am still looking for the RACES program. Traffic: (Sept.) W5AIR 403, K5WIC 213, W5PCX 39, K5JFP 12, (Aug.) K5ABV 327, MXX 111, JFP 70, MWC 20, W5AIR 16.

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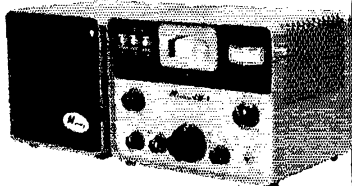
**MARITIME**—SCM, D. E. Weeks, VE1WR—Asst. SCMs: A.E.W. Street, VE1EK, and H. C. Hillvard, VO1CZ. SEC: B.L. Newly-elected officers of the NSARA include ABU, pres.; RT and BC, vice-pres.; XP, secretary. RT was awarded the Doucette Memorial Trophy for the greatest contribution to amateur radio, in his formation of the Maritime Weather Net and the old 'Timers' Net. BQL/5V reports from Rafah, Egypt, that he is prepared to handle traffic for the section. QT/W9 is looking for VE1 contacts. Owen's present location is Madison, Wis. GY (ex-BASZ) is back in the section and active from Coverdale. Ex-WO1EX is now VE1AX. (Continued on page 158)

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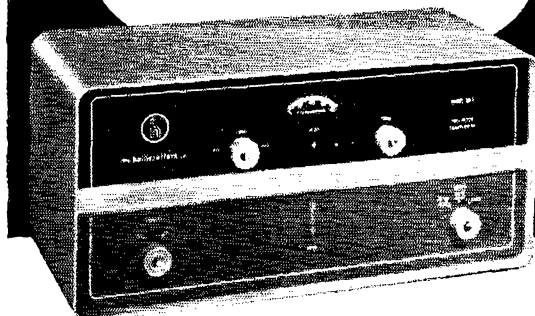


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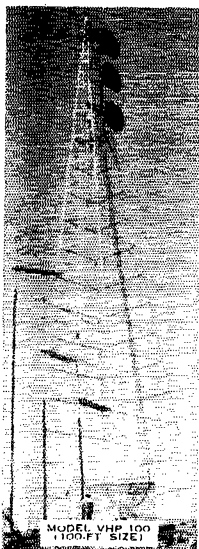
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**ONTARIO**—SCM, Richard W. Roberts, VE3NG-- A combination effort of the Nortown and Scarborough Radio Clubs in a hidden transmitter hunt was successful. The winners were AIB, HE and DAR. (mobiles). XF has a new beam. DPO was on the East Coast for a vacation. The Grey Bruce Net is in full swing again. We correct our former report. CYL is not the key man for the Ontario DX Assn. DVA, is pres.; BWY, vice-pres.; BQP, secy.-treas. The Elliott Lake ARC is quite active. APD is s.s.b. ABE is firing a DX-100. EBT is not far behind with a home-brew. CZG and DSZ are hit on the phone bands. FG, from the Soo, was a visitor to the Lake. BQI is back on the air from the Niagara District. BZJ is now in Milton. Ex-GH, Igraham Peacock, will return to the airwaves soon. BKL has close to 100 certificates from all over the world. BKF is back in Dunneville. Members of the Northshore ARC visited CFTO recently and the Kingston ARC was on CKWS-TV for a half-hour show. Those interviewed during the show were CAH, ATL, CKG and AXK. On the Thanksgiving week end the club provided communications for a sports car rally. The Ontario ARRL Convention at Windsor was one of the finest. ARRL officials were numerous. Seen there were 213E, ARRL Vice-Pres.; CJ, Canadian Division Director; W3YA, Atlantic Division Director; NG, Ontario SCM; AML, Ontario PAM; CNB, Windsor Area EC. The First Cornwall Hanifest was a huge success. Over 150 guests from Ontario, Quebec and Northern New York State were present. RD has a new vertical antenna on 75 meters. Heard each afternoon en route from their offices on 75-meter mobile are BWO, NG, DTO, CO, AL (ex-BLL), ADD, YD, DRF and DAR, all in the Toronto Area. ADK is in Ottawa. BPL is back on 75-meter phone. ECO also is in Ottawa. AAW and AEJ are both on s.s.b. The Hamilton ARC is holding its Annual Ladies-Dance at the Royal Hamilton Yacht Club Nov. 24. EMF has departed from Ontario on a trip around the world. She expects to visit hams in all countries and is beginning in Japan, and then on through South East Asia. Traffic: VE3NG 96, CYR 86, BAQ 84, CFR 76, DPO 75, BJR 59, AML 24, RN 17, DWN 15, EHL 11, DU 9, CE 5, ABG 3.

**QUEBEC**—SCM, C. W. Skarstedt, VE2DR--With deepest regret we learned of the sudden passing of SG. Bill was a real ham; helpful, friendly and loved by all. 21 Mc., despite vagaries, is popular. UZ, NK, ANJ and AFN are busy on this band. Project OSCAR has stirred up interest among the V.h.f. boys. UQ, AIO, FF and others are ready when launching occurs. AUU and brother AUU were DXing for the big ones via tool and line but skip must have been wrong as results were poor. JE, AGM and DR had better luck but CI beat them all. LAISH/AMM received a rousing welcome when landing at Quebec City. TJ is putting up a TA-33 on a 40-ft. mast. WW is running for Canadian Division Director, and BK for Vice-Director. Locals enjoyed the Annual VE-W Contest. EC reports a new ham at Nicolet, BJJ, Rev. Francis Zeman. The CJO elected ABE, pres.; AWR, 1st vice-pres.; JVV, 2nd vice-pres.; BJY, secy.; AQI, treas.; BJV, tech. asst.; ATL, dir. Meetings are held as previously. RO is active on 75- and 10-meter phone. PS is experimenting with 75-meter QRP phone. ABE is QRL work. BEZ is at Torbay, Newfoundland with the RCAE. AGH-2 is on from Val Morin. AVC enjoys hamming at Morin Heights. AWK was mobile VE1 while at Edmunston, N.B. VR is ex-AHZ. His melodious voice is heard on 75 meters, mobile and fixed. ABZ is building a new boat. WQ2B is back home and signs VE2QB again. CA moved to a new "Shack" in St. Lambert. ALF, Dorion, uses a DX-100. BBT is helpful to budding hams. Members of the MECC are assisting in Sport Car rallies. WA finally succumbed to "unintelligible" speech. Traffic: VE2AGM 54 DR 47, EC 37, BG 25.

**ALBERTA**—SCM, Harry Harold VE6TG--SFC; FS, PAM; PV, EC; IU Southern Alta, OO; HM, OBS; HM, ORS; WG, OES; DR. So far the Southern Alberta Emergency Corps is progressing very nicely. Keep it up, boys. GH returned from a trip down Honolulu way where hospitality is fabulous. He says that it is the place to go for a holiday. If any of you have friends or relatives in the Armed Forces in Egypt and would like to contact them, look for VE3BQL, SU Rafah, Egypt. He works 20, 15 and 10 meters. So, fellows, if you hear him give a shout. Another month has gone by and no clubs have been heard from. What's the matter, fellows?

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**MANITOBA**—SCM, M. S. Watson, VE4JY—The following hold ARRL appointments dated April 1, 1961: AN Portage La Prairie, as OBS, TL, Winnipeg, as EC, RR, Winnipeg, as PAM, JW, Bousejour, as OO, IM, Winnipeg, as ORS, Manitoba Net Control Stations: Sun, EF, Mon, MN, Tue, GB, Wed, FL, Thurs, AK, Fri, IW, Sat, JY. Forty-four stations are on the call list in Manitoba, 5 in Saskatchewan, 3 in Ontario. In the July CD Party IM attained 50,400 points (c.w.). RR, of the Forestry Dept., The Pas, has been promoted and transferred to Winnipeg. Congratulations, IW and HS and several of the Brandon boys have taken up v.h.f. Traffic: VE4QD 10, AN 6, EF 5, JY 5, FK 3, PW 3, BG 2, JF 2.

**A Combination, etc.**

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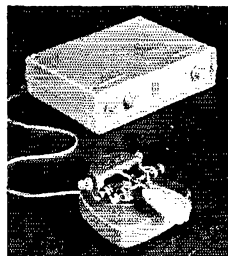
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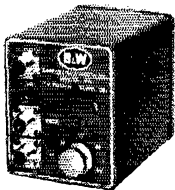
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experimentation, the end result desired is precisely reliable communications. The question is, will lowering the maximum permissible power increase communications reliability?

Obviously, with decreased power levels, signal strengths over long distances decrease, so no reliability is gained. But the QRP boys say QRM would be decreased. Not so! There are several forms of QRM, the worst of which is heterodyne action, and it is obvious that a reduction in power does not change the situation at all. For instance, if two one-k.w. amateurs a.m. heterodyne each other, the signal power to heterodyne power (or readability of the signal to readability of the heterodyne) might be assigned a percentage "A". Then, if both stations reduced power to one hundred watts, the ratio would still be "A", and no advantage would be gained. This same general argument holds for all modes of emission.

Nothing is to be gained by power reduction unless power is reduced to the point that two stations, widely separated in distance, may use the same channel at the same time. But this defeats the reliable communications idea. Hence, the only ways to obtain more reliable communications are (1) widen the amateur bands, (2) make sure all a.m. stations have, at most, a 6-ke. band-width, (3) allow only those s.s.b. stations to operate which can prove that their distortion products are at least 30 db. below signal level, (4) remove all the clicks, chirps, and modulated c.w. notes from the bands.

If anything, more reliable communications could be obtained by increasing, not decreasing, present power levels, not only because an increase would mean higher signal strengths, but also because the present QRP operators would be less tempted to use an already occupied channel where they should not be trying to operate anyway. How about giving the Extra Class a 10-kw. limit? — Gary B. Jordan, W6BTKT, Downey, Calif.

### OO COMMENT

☞ A few moments ago I completed my monthly activity report to Tom Hedges, the MDD SCM, and as usual there were several letters and cards sent me by recipients of OO reports which I also enclosed. These letters all have one thing in common; without exception, so far, the writer has been appreciative of the efforts by OOs and has thanked me for letting him know of the condition which attracted my attention. A comment made by a number of fellows is that, like BO, "even your best friend won't tell you" if your note is sub-standard or operating in a manner likely to bring a "pink ticket" from the FCC.

The point I'd like to make is that most fellows welcome an honest report and would prefer to get it first hand from an OO rather than a notice from FCC. Would it be possible for ARRL to campaign with a simple slogan for honest reports? "Make a ham a friend with an honest report." I enjoy my OO work but it would be nice if all the fellows would report in a manner likely to put us out of business. How about giving it a try? I'm sure the nearly four hundred I've notified this year would rather have heard it first-hand. — Louis A. Robertson, W3ZAQ, Edgewood, Maryland.

### POWDER PUFF DERBY

☞ I am writing to you to express the appreciation of the Western Washington Chapter of the Ninety-Nines, Inc., for the help given us this past summer by Ray Stekly, W7GRM, of Seattle. It was only through Ray's efforts that we were able to keep informed on the progress of three pilots from our Chapter who were flying in the Powder Puff Derby — popular name for the annual All-Women Transcontinental Air Race.

The weather conditions which existed during the time the race was being flown not only made flying conditions the worst to be experienced in many years for the entrants, but even caused postponement of the race finish deadline two separate times. During these delays, when the entrants were forced to wait for better weather for two and even three days at a time, there was a virtual blackout of news; radio and press coverage was reserved for news of winners, it seemed. It was only through the contacts that Ray made with hams across the country that we were able to learn

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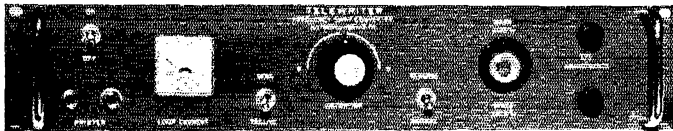
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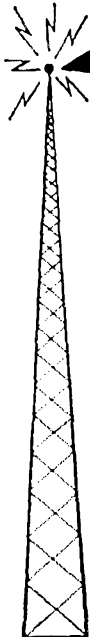
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I regret the passing of Lloyd, who was a very ardent ham and still better Federal official. — *Frank M. Kratochvil, W3BA, FEMB, Federal Communications Commission, Washington, D. C.*

## World Above 50 Mc.

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of the good conditions by working W9ASX, K9LOP, W9TEI, W9GFO 9, K4GZS, K9TCM, K9HIR, K9ODG 9, W9HUY, W9FRU, W9AGV and W8LZY over a period of two hours. Adah is using a drooping ground-plane antenna. One of the "badly wanted" states, Maine, comes through with a few words from Don, K1NKL, who sez that there several fairly good two-meter openings during the month of September particularly around September 8-10 and 22-23, when Southern New England and VEsis were coming in at his location in Sanford. On September 13 K7HKD in Wyoming worked W0ENC at Rapid City, South Dakota, on 144-Mc. s.s.b., a distance of 223 miles. Seems that just about everyone on 144 Mc. took advantage of the end of the month conditions: W4EMA also reports an inversion of October 1 and 2 when he worked W3ARA, Maryland: K4SCD, Virginia; W4VE, Virginia; s.s.b. to s.s.b.—K1CRN, Rhode Island; W3LML, Delaware. Bill also noted the aurora of October 1 when he heard stations mostly toward W1, W9 and W4 areas. Nightly skeds are held by W4EMA on 145.22, both stations s.s.b. Joe Hauptly, K3CJN, now running 150 watts on two-meter phone, sez that the first three weeks of September were exceptionally good for ground wave.

### Clubs and Nets

The Connecticut Mobileers are holding their first annual contest, on two meters only, in conjunction with ARRL VHF Sweepstakes, January 6 and 7, 1962. This contest is open to any two-meter operator who is registered as a Mobileer as of the day preceding the contest. The contest will be run under ARRL rules. Persons wishing to enter the contest should send duplicate logs to ARRL and the Mobileers. Certificates will be awarded to all Mobileer entrants, with prizes going to the three top scorers. In case of ties, winner will be the one with the least operating time during the contest. Logs for the Mobileers contest should be sent to K1JOY, R.F.D. 2, Farmington, Connecticut, within two weeks after the contest. Full details of the V.H.F. Sweepstakes are on page 21 of this issue.

### 50 Mc.

A quick note from G3LTF in Essex, England, is most interesting in that he reports a contact on 50 Mc. C? — *Ed.* with SM3ANR in North Sweden during the Perseids. The distance is 1002 miles as accurately as possible.

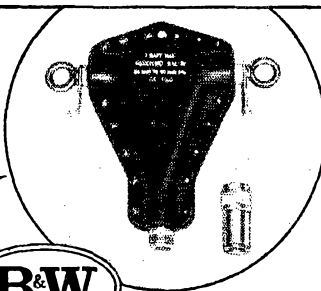
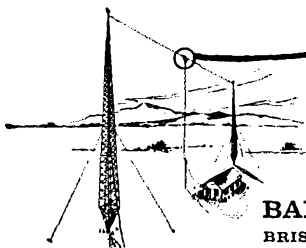
Another quickie — K17FLC, now being operated by W1JD and W1FVY, worked VE8BY, VE8CM and K17-AUY on the night of October 11.

The following seems interesting enough to us to quote rather than to take out bits and pieces and think you'll feel the same way about it. From Glen Marshall, VE8CM: "From reading past issues of QST and the v.h.f. column, I find that many v.h.f. men were wondering whether any-

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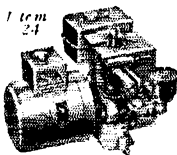
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thing is being done in the northwest on the six-meter band. For the information of hams on the outside, 6-meter interest is building up in Whitehorse slowly but surely. There are presently three of us with 50-Mc. rigs and some in the process of being built. VE8EW and VE8AT both have small power stations along with myself, although VE8AT is U.S. for a time." "Present plans for my station include a higher power than the present c.w. rig, approximately 300 watts. The antenna is a Hi-Gain, 5 element. Due to the rig being set up in the shop, I am able to monitor 50.04 eight hours of the day plus most nights at midnight local time. It is the main purpose of this letter to report that KL7FLC was heard on the band at 1225 A.M. on October 1, 1961. RST was 5-7-9 but no contact was made. At this time it was noted that a thick sheet of aurora was covering the sky northwest of here. The only other outside contact I have made so far was with VE8BY in Yellowknife on August 26 at 11:25 P.M. from the top of Canyon Mountain, running 15 watts c.w. and 10 watts phone. The QSO lasted for about 3/4 of an hour. Along with having to watch the band at this location, constant lookout was kept for prowling bears, part of the station equipment during this portable operation was a high power rifle for safety, instead of fuses. Hope that a few of the fellows will point their beams around this way once in a while." You'd be amazed, Glen, if you knew just how many do turn their beams your way, particularly if conditions are the least bit unusual.

Word comes through Mike, K2LZF, that VE2IM and VE3CAU are both operating 144 Mc. at the present time; VE2IM is running a kw, and was last seen on 144.187; VE3CAU, near Ottawa, on 144.140. An interesting letter received from Joe, K8SGD, reports the aurora of September 30 and what he heard in Sparta, Illinois. On that night Joe worked seven states (nothing new) with quite a few stations coming through on A-1; a few of the better signals were W8NSH, W8QXO, W8GGI, W9FHS, K9AQP, W9XNF, W9EGH, K9UIF, W8UBA and W2ZRG. Opening lasted for about an hour and thirty minutes. (The above on 144 Mc.) Joe hopes to be on s.s.b. on 144 Mc. before Christmas. A few stations heard on 50 Mc. by K8UDZ during the auroral session of September 30 were K8MMM, K8SBV, W7VDZ, K8RUD and W4COR. Gene heard quite a few others at his QTH in Rapid City, South Dakota, topping it all off with VE8BY, heard but not worked. Seems that this was one of the many times that a ham wishes for a recorder, but no such luck, just as no luck with aurora contacts for Gene. Ground wave once again has been good on 50 Mc. and Larry, K3ADS, says that stations at a distance from 150 to 250 miles are being heard almost every night, with stations at a distance of 250 to 400 miles being heard about once a week. W3ZRR says that sporadic E was in occasionally during the month of September but ground wave has been excellent extending from New England to Virginia. In Massapequa, New York, August, K2PQY, also noted the ground wave conditions were better than normal during September, hearing Eastern Pennsylvania, Delaware, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Maine and New Hampshire all on ground wave. During the VHF QSO party the band opened for August to Alabama, Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri. In Wichita, Kansas, K8GIC, Dot, noted 50-Mc. openings on September 9, 11, 17 and 19, with the openings lasting anywhere from five minutes to three hours and the band in and out several times during the longer times. Word from Boise, Idaho, and Keith Armstrong, takes us back through several months of operating to "give us the word" from Idaho. Keith sez that he has worked 43 states in 270 contacts this year compared to a total of 26 states for the two years prior to this one. At Keith's QTH the band is quite frequently open to G-land but as usual the QRM is bad in the phone portion; he sez a sneaky but effective method of preventing this is to QSY to c.w. Among his many contacts, Keith talked to Ike, VE7AQQ, on August 7, with signals running very strong for two hours. Another solution to QRM difficulties has presented itself to Keith and we may all start looking for him during openings on s.s.b. His transmitter is running 17 watts out, but he has accumulated the parts for a 4-100A final. One contact in particular stands out at the Idaho QTH; on July 2 Keith gave out with a "CQ" on an apparently dead band, and was answered by W10AK in Vermont, the only signal on the band. (What a haul for someone, if they'd only been listening in. Imagine, Idaho and Vermont, all at one blow!) W4ZBR in Winter Haven, Florida, noted only three openings on 50 Mc. during the month of September. First on September 9 when the band

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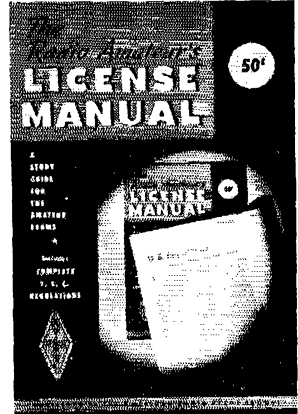
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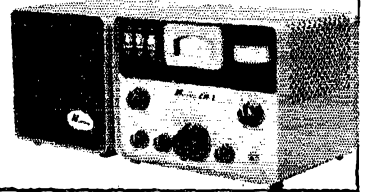
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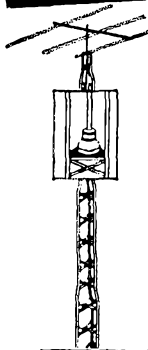
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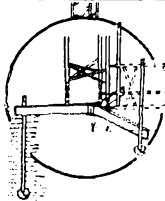


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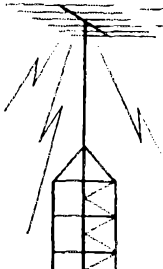
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Roanoke, Virginia, represented this month by K4UMK. Bob, is one of the many to mention the exceptional ground wave conditions on 50 Mc. during September. Bob worked W4LWX in Jonesboro, Tennessee, K1MCS-4 in Norfolk, Va., W3NG, Cheverly, Maryland, and K4OBE in Hampton, Virginia, all on ground wave. Very best for this year occurred on September 10 and 11, for Bob. He mentions that he would like to have s.s.b. contacts on 50 Mc. with anyone who thinks he can work into the Roanoke area. (How do you know unless you try?) He's running 1 kw. a.m. — 1.5-1.8 kw. p.e.m., s.s.b., and using a long-john antenna. Stations to be heard almost nightly in that area are K4KZX, W4MWD, K4IEA, K4VBZ, K4YDC and W4ZEY. New Jersey "emits" through Dave, W42UGQ, who heard Florida with La... on September 12. On turning his beam north Dave heard many New England stations including KITGI, W1BU, K1ISR and a number of others including Maine and Vermont. Other than this opening Dave sez the six-meter gang is waiting for another "July, 1961" when the DX was stupendous from 6-land. One of the few letters received from the YL segment of v.h.f., from Dora Hasek, K8NUF, of Cleveland, Ohio, tells us that on July 2 her OM, Don, K8NUE, K8WPW and K8TOL all worked YV5BS in Caracas, Venezuela, and all have confirmation of the contact. This is the first word received that YV5BS had made contacts in this country and we're now wondering what other areas worked him. Let us know, fellas! Although we wish we were psychic, we just aren't, and neither can we foretell the appearance of DX on the band, nor can we tell you later if no one tells us. QST

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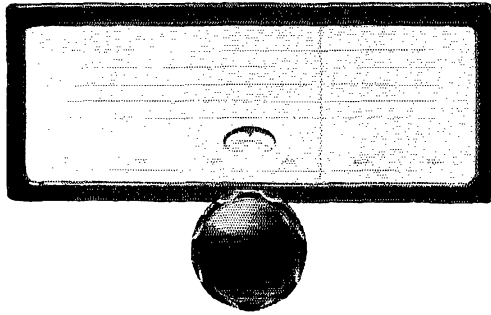
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accurate and imprecise. Development on these devices has a long way to go.

With present technology, at least, there is no suitable electronic tracking system available for amateur use or construction. There may still be a way out, however. You will recall that the finder and interpreter are separate functions. It is finding the satellite position which is causing so much difficulty. Why not, therefore, arrange to have the use of governmental or commercial tracking equipment to accomplish this for us? This may be a difficult thing to negotiate but it is no more difficult than is getting an amateur-band satellite up in the first place.<sup>11</sup> If we can do the latter, we should have little difficulty with the former. Once we have secured this, a suitable method might be to broadcast continuous data on satellite position, such as by giving latitude, longitude, and altitude on a real-time telemetered basis. This information could then be fed into an interpreter at the amateur station, converting it into the azimuth and elevation needed to drive the antenna by means of an analog computer circuit. Such a system, while not cheap, is at least financially within the reach of many of today's amateurs.

Until the development of a workable amateur tracking system, about the only thing that can be done is to broaden the antenna beam by reducing the antenna gain, thereby reducing the s.n.r. as well as the tracking difficulty, and make up for the lost antenna gain somewhere else in the system. Designers of active-repeater systems requiring tracking say that the system gain introduced by equipment on board the satellite will compensate for this loss in antenna gain. While this is true, especially at the lower frequencies, we must not stop there. Inasmuch as a high s.n.r. is always a desirable goal, work on tracking improvements must continue as long as the need for tracking exists, so as to enable the highest-gain antennas to be employed. **QST**

<sup>11</sup> It has recently come to the author's attention that some amateur stations, notably the multi-operator venture led by W3DD, already have direct teletype links to Government tracking facilities.

## Qualifications for Radio Amateurs

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and YL's nylons; and depreciation on the paint job.

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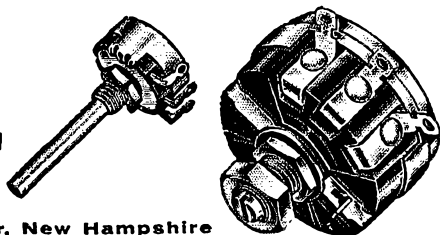
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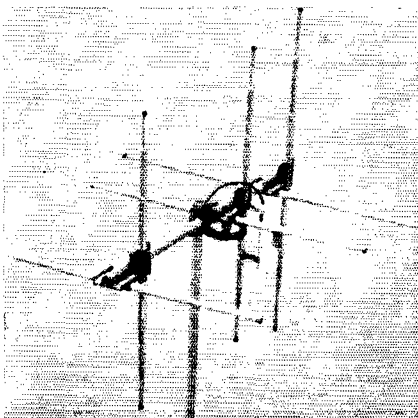
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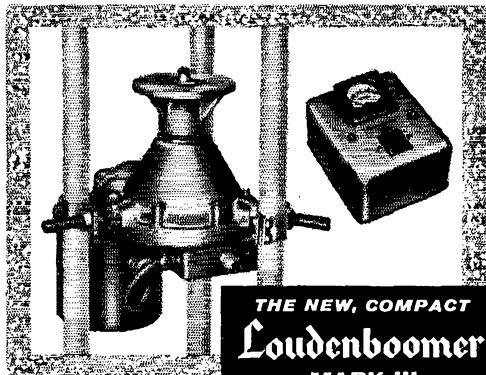
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## **DX King McSnood**

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gentry men were as inferior to DX kings like himself as the slave in the market place is to the Sultan of Ufnia.)

"I see by your face, Joe McSnood," The Old Man continued, "that you are aware that you have transgressed all the provisions of the Amateur's Code. Have you anything to say for yourself?"

McSnood tried to speak, to beg for mercy, but his voice failed him. The confident, brash DX King McSnood of fifteen minutes before had disintegrated into a quivering mass of human jelly.

"Since you have no defense," resumed The Old Man, "nothing remains but to carry out the automatic DX-hog sentence." He raised the terrible Wouff Hong and released it. Joe tried to scream, but before he could open his mouth, the Wouff Hong struck with splintering force and again everything went black. Then McSnood heard a voice in his ear crying, "Joe! Joe!" He thought it must surely be Old Nick come to imprison him in the chamber of ten-thousand heterodynes, but he opened his eyes and discovered that it was his XYI, bending over him as he lay on the floor of the shack.

By some miracle, the Wouff Hong had not destroyed McSnood, but had only stunned him. Joe checked his rig and discovered that, unbelievably, the lightning had merely blown a few capacitors.

That night before he went to sleep, the DX King thought long and deeply of the awful fate he had escaped and of the years of lidmanship which had brought The Old Man to judge him. He made up his mind. Tomorrow he would trade in his rig on a much smaller one. He would buy a car so that he could take his beloved wife and children on jaunts in the country. He would always arrive at work on time and would never leave his office with unfinished business on his desk.

A new life was in the offing for DX King McSnood. His wife would be proud of him. His

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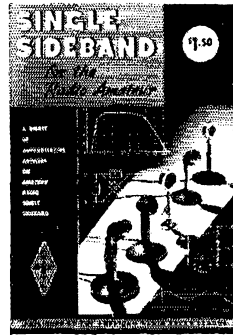
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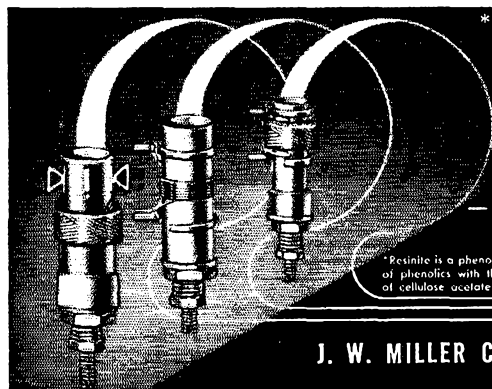
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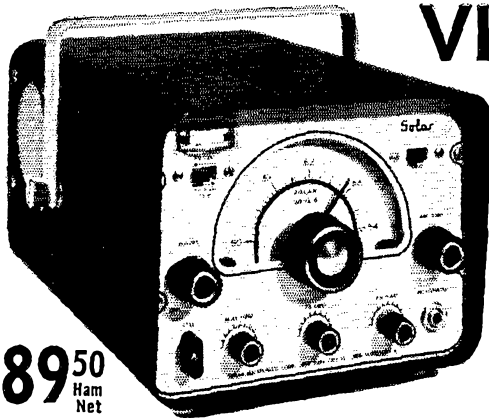
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neighbors would no longer turn their heads when they passed his home. Promptly at the office would now be only a matter of time. And so a deep and peaceful slumber came to McSnood.

The next morning he gave a final listen over the band with his faithful old 1000K receiver, and stumbled across AC8DX operating from a remote rock right smack in the middle of the Indian ocean. Old McSnood began to tremble and itch, and after perhaps 0.002 milliseconds of hesitation, he flipped the transmitter on and began to call. He tried every operating trick he knew. He called up, he called down, he called short, he called long. Finally, long after he should have been at the office, he gave up. No doubt about it — that final tube was soft and had to be replaced.

As he punched the time clock a bit later (much too late, said the office manager), his mind was occupied with high finance but not the high finance associated with his job.

"If I can get \$30 for her old sewing machine and \$20 for the ice box, and they allow me \$50 on the old tube, where can I get the other \$20?"

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## Technical Correspondence

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— Alvin F. Kanda, KOMHU

## K5CBZ

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During hurricane Carla, Billy was provided with a portable power unit by Bill Price, W5SIL, assisted by K5SCR. The power unit was put into use when commercial power failed, and enabled the respirator and the amateur station to be operated continuously during the emergency. Many important welfare and emergency messages were handled by the station during this time.

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Look for K5CBZ on the air. He will be operating from his iron lung and would like to talk to you.

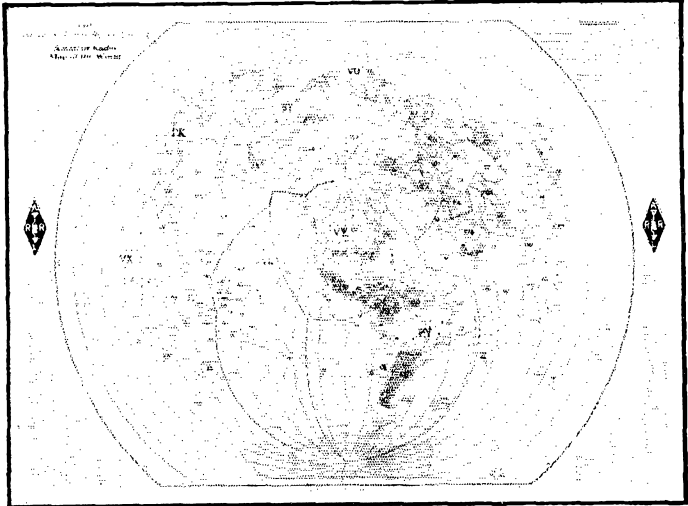
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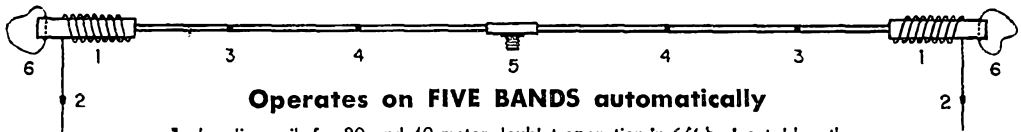
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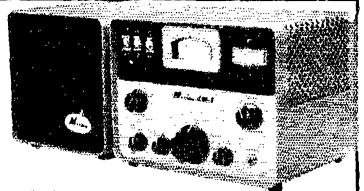
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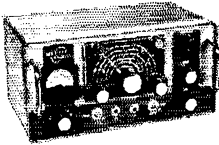
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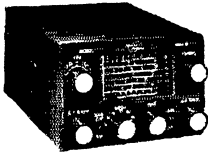
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**Boat Races**

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coverage and made a flying trip to Clarksburg Sunday morning when W6LRS's transmitter gave up the ghost. Many others provided moral support and assistance during the process of debugging the repeater in the weeks prior to the race.

In this way two hobbies, boating and amateur radio, complemented each other to provide services not otherwise available. **QST**

**Red Polka Dot**

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you're getting jam on the knobs. Marge, he needs a change. Good boy. Don't want to hurt your nice Christmas present. Better let Daddy — Marge, I'll set your mike over here out of the way. It might fall off the desk."

"John, give me that mike."

"Be careful, don't throw it or pull it or drop it. I have it plugged into the Pulverizer."

"Good. Give me my mike and turn on the Pulverizer. And turn on that Red Polka Dot Paralyzer, too. I want to say something."

"Say something? Don't get mad now, and don't drop my — ahhhh, your mike. The whole family can use it — what do you want to —

"Is that box lit up?"

"Yes."

"Is Susie's clothes line pointed in the right direction?"

"Yes, but do be careful. The whole world is listening!"

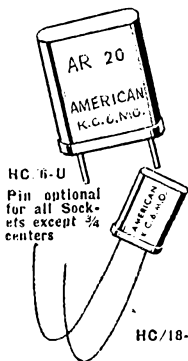
"Good, because I just want to say — to all radio widows — MERRY CHRISTMAS!" **QST**

**Strays**

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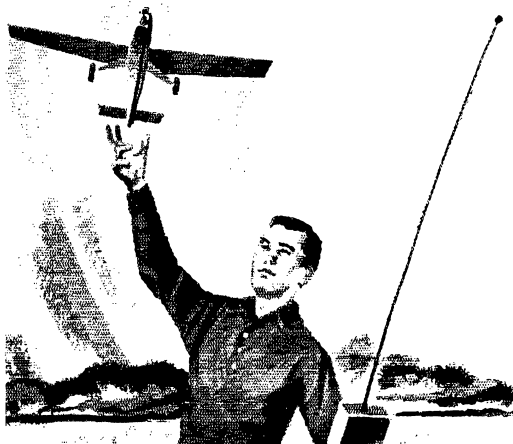
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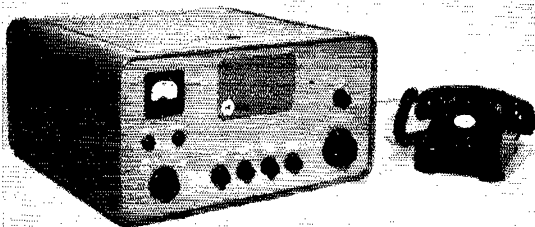
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SELL: Gonset II 6V and 110V, \$140; National NC-240D receiver, \$120; both in excellent condition. Stamp for list of transistors, tubes, components and surplus gear. K1GEG, Mountain Road, Rte. 2, Ridgefield, Conn.

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FOR Sale: BC221, \$60; GE sidband selector YRS1, \$50. Measurements 78C signal generator, \$40; Dumont 304H scope, \$50; new PE101C Dynamotor, \$6; new ART13 modulation transformer, \$6.50; all F.o.b. W2MPP, Gordon Gregory, 21 Roosevelt Ave., Westwood, N.J.

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COLLINS KWM-2 like new, with original carton: \$910.00. Al Mandel, WA2BKT.

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WANTED: 52 ohm Johnson Low-pass filter and D-104 mike without push-to-talk. K1SCQ, 44 Parkway Cres., Milton 86, Mass.

WANTED: 500V 500 Ma. transformer, Sell BC3480 with hexternal 110V, \$55.00. Bradley, Box 762, Warren, Ohio.

HEATH Apache, \$225.00 Heath Comanche, \$115 In ex. condx. Will deliver within 200 miles. W8OZW Byrd Drive, Columbus 19, Ohio.

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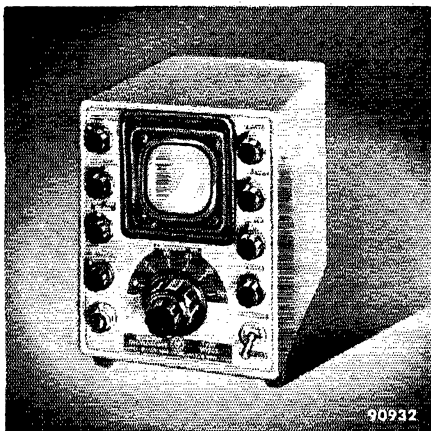
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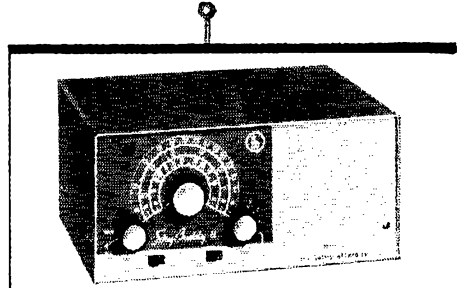
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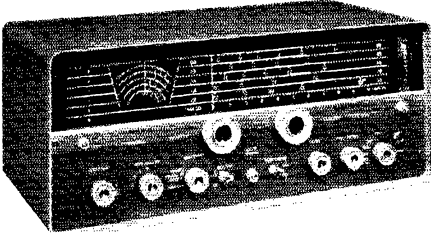
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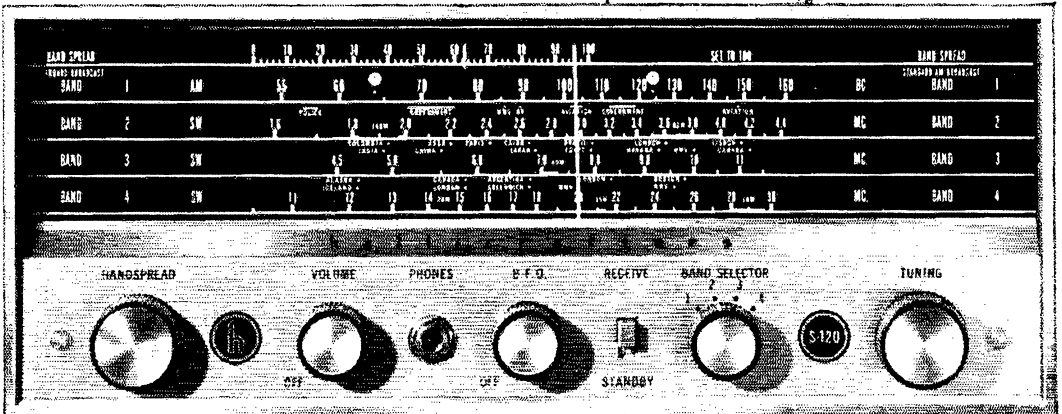


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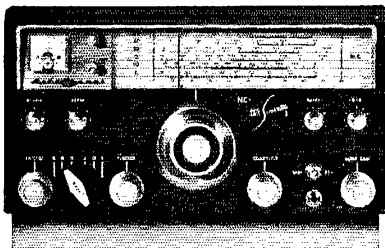
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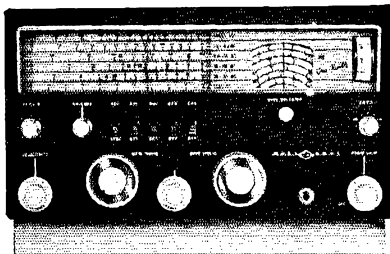
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