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# "It Seems to Us..."



#### CONVERSATION DISCIPLINE

A LETTER in Correspondence this month chastises "unprincipled idiots" who break in on another QSO to warn against a developing conversation on politics (or sex, or religion). While the breaking in may not have been accomplished in a courteous (or even legal) manner, the complaint revolves less around procedure than the basic right to unrestricted choice in the substance of communication.

The main peeve, well expressed, is with humdrum QSOs. Few are inclined to argue that point. We all like a guy at the other end who indeed is "alive, alert and aware." But if we want to discuss the rights and wrongs of happenings at the United Nations, why Christianity is better (or worse) than Buddhism, or some clinical details, let us do so in his (or our) living room. Or in a bar. Not on the air.

It is your right to speak as you wish in the privacy of your home, or in a group of selected people with like tastes (or lack thereof). But does this right extend to transmitting such conversations on the air, where they can be heard by others who find them offensive, or heard by people who will misunderstand the conversations because of different cultural backgrounds?

In some minds it is downright unAmerican to question full freedom of speech. Doing so will label us also as against motherhood, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. But absolute freedom of speech can be as bad or worse than no freedom at all, and failure to question a radical application of its principles can lead to complete chaos and disintegration.

We have already seen some examples in the sentencing of several amateurs for obscenity. We cannot avoid our responsibility with the let-George-do-it excuse that FCC has rules prohibiting such language. The case should never have come to court (and thus public attention) if we indeed had been keeping our own house in order and nipped this in the bud — before it got out of hand. If we do not challenge questionable activities ourselves, and official enforcement becomes inadequate, FCC will eventually be obliged to ask which of the bases and purposes in the amateur rules is being served through such conversations. The unwritten rule on politics also has some stark realities, particularly if we are discussing international politics on a band with any DX possibilities. Government officials will certainly have a dim view of the value of amateur radio if even a small percentage of our conversations deal with criticism of other nations' ideals, ethics, policies and attitudes. Freedom of speech does not include the right to offend a substantial segment of the population, domestic or world. Such discussions could adversely affect a vote at an international allocations conference, which would be rather a high price to pay for "freedom of speech."

Many of us feel capable of using our own good judgment in keeping conversations on "restricted" subjects within acceptable bounds. The difficulty here is that one cannot be at all certain that acceptable conversation in one circle has the same status everywhere. For example, there is no real measure of agreement today on what constitutes obscenity. The best thing to do is steer completely clear of sticky subjects.

Amateur radio is a privilege to be earned not an inherent right. With privilege goes responsibility. The guy who insists on his right to absolute freedom of speech, and thus his "right" to say almost anything he pleases on the air no matter how offensive to others, may care little about the potential loss of his own license. The real point is he risks your status, and mine, by raising the basic question of whether amateur radio is really in the public interest.

And so we say hooray for all "unprincipled idiots" who, by reminding us of the unwritten law, help keep us away from heated discussions on politics, sex and religion.

#### **ARE YOU LICENSED?**

• When joining the League or renewing your membership. It is important that you show if you have an amateur operator license. Please state your call and/or the class of operator license held, that we may verify your classification.

# League Lines . .

Some 30 <u>nominees for each of the new advisory committees were of such out-</u> <u>standing calibre</u> that ARRL Prexy WØDX felt obliged to expand the planned membership. Even then he had a hard time making the final selections: VHF Repeaters -- WØCXW (Chairman), VE3ADO, W2ODC, W4GCE, W5VPQ, W6GDO, W6MEP, W7FHZ, W9BUB. Contests -- W6CUF (Temporary Chairman), VE2NV, W1AX, K2CPR, W3GRF, W4BRB, W8DB, W9RQM, WAØSDC. More next month.

FCC allowed new tariffs filed by AT&T (with concurrence from other major companies) to go into effect January 1, covering connections of customer-furnished accessories. In our case this means <u>phone patches finally become respectable!</u> Where direct electrical (as compared with acoustic) connection is to be made, the phone company provides a different instrument plus a "voice coupler" to insure correct operation. (There is currently a battle, scheduled for a later hearing, on whether the customer can furnish his own protective unit.) But there is a price -- a one-time installation charge and a monthly rental fee. Though in some states utility commissions have delayed approval of new tariffs, it is likely that by now your local company has details as well as the interface equipment on hand.

While no formal announcement has been made, <u>alien amateurs authorized to oper-</u> ate here under reciprocal agreements are not affected by the "incentive licensing" restrictions of band segments and modes. The variety of classes of license in other countries makes it wholly impractical to set up a comparison or parallel list with our own.

<u>A million bucks worth of TVI</u> -- that's what a Sarasota neighbor of W4GJO is suing for! "Grid" has a clean bill from the TVI committee and FCC; he's defending the suit with vigor, plus liaison with ARRL's attorney. No one knows better than we that one can be sued for most anything, rightly or wrongly, and that it takes a bit of time for justice to triumph.

Clever fellows, these Novices -- during the January VHF shindig we found several on 2-meter c.w. with <u>A-2</u> produced by an oscillator in front of the mike. Fine, but watch the background noise! Coughs, dishes rattling, phones ringing -- all constitute telephony which is not permitted. If you can't feed the audio tone directly to the mike input, put the oscillator and mike in a soundproof box to eliminate room noise and casual conversations.

Thanks to more than 100 of you who made <u>suggestions for a new heading covering</u> the letters-to-the-editor department. The job of picking a winner is now in progress. Supporters of retaining the simple "Correspondence" showed surprising strength!

FCC rules now require an application for modification of your license to be filed before you operate from a new location, and within four months of your move. <u>This applies whether or not you are operating at a new QTH</u>. Fines and revocations have been visited on non-compliers. Keep your address up-to-date on FCC files.

Watch for the bright yellow cover of the <u>new Handbook</u>, this year again substantially revised by W1CER. Get yours early -- before the printing is sold out as occurred last year.



The chassis for W6FFC's audio frequency-shift keyer is 6 by 8 by 2 inches, and is covered with adhesive shelf paper (similar to the author's frequency standard described in November 1968 QST). The standard 850 and 170 shifts are available, as well as adjustable "wide" and "narrow" shifts.

# A.F.S.K. for RTTY

### Introducing the "Mainline AK-1"

BY IRVIN M. HOFF,\* W6FFC

THE initials "a.f.s.k." stand for audio frequency shift keying.

• On the v.h.f. bands, where either a.m. or f.m. transmitters are used for RTTY purposes, audio tones are fed into the microphone input to transmit the RTTY signal. The "mark" tone, usually 2125 Hz., is changed from 2125 to 2975 for "space" as the keyboard contacts open and close, thus transmitting a frequency-shifted audio signal. The receiver at the other end feeds these audio tones into a *demodulator* (sometimes called a "TU" or "converter") which changes the tones into d.c. pulses that operate the Teleprinter.

On the bands between 3.5 and 30 MHz., the audio tones from a good a.f.s.k. unit could be fed to the audio input of a top-notch s.s.b. transmitter, a method that was discussed in some detail by the author in an earlier article.<sup>1</sup> However, that article was written in 1965, and it is possible that the reader may not have access to it, so some of the pertinent details will be covered again.

If you use a.f.s.k. on a single-sideband transmitter several problems can exist. It is the extent to which they exist that is important. You may have the carrier at, say, 14,090.000 kHz. The mark tone will be 2125 Hz., so you will have one sideband (the desired one) at 14,087.875 kHz., 2125 Hz. lower than the carrier, and another at 14,092.125, 2125 Hz. higher than the carrier. With a good s.s.b. transmitter the carrier will be well suppressed and the unwanted sideband at 14,092.125 should be completely out of the picture. Carrier suppression and unwanted sideband suppression become very important if you want to operate a.f.s.k. into an s.s.b. transmitter. Unless you have at least 60 db. of carrier and sideband suppression, a.f.s.k. is best left to others. The FCC is very strong on this point:

"Amateur licensees contemplating the use of audio tones via s.s.b. suppressed carrier transmitters for the generation of A1 and/or F1 emissions are cautioned that any radiation of the carrier or suppressed sideband frequencies at an intensity sufficient to cause interference in receiving equipment of good engineering design constitutes spurious radiation in violation of Section 97.73". [Docket 15267, Released 7 July 1964]

Experience shows that the better s.s.b. transmitters do well enough on suppression to avoid any problems. As an active RTTY enthusiast, I can truthfully say that I have never noticed any interference from stations using a.f.s.k. on s.s.b. units, although the possibility, of course, exists.

#### What Kinds of S.S.B. Transmitters Are ''OK'' for A.F.S.K.?

This is a difficult question to answer. In general, s.s.b. transmitters using mechanical filters have excellent sideband suppression, particularly when the tones of 2125 and 2975 are used (a small change in the carrier-oscillator frequency is needed in many s.s.b. transmitters to transmit the 2975 tone; more on this later).

Perhaps most transmitters using mechanical filters or crystal lattice filters would be acceptable when teamed with an appropriate a.f.s.k. unit. The phasing type of s.s.b. transmitter would most likely give marginal results unless perfectly adjusted for carrier and sideband suppression. Phasing rigs seldom hold these critical adjustments over long periods of time.

Unless you have a transceiver, f.s.k. (carrier shift as opposed to audio shift with suppressed carrier) is usually a better approach to getting

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Hoff, "Audio Frequency-Shift Keying for RTTY," QST, June, 1965.



Fig. 1—Circuit of the AK-1 audio frequency-shift keyer. Capacitors with polarity shown are electrolytic; others are paper except as indicated. Fixed resistors are ½-watt composition.

on the 3-30-MHz. RTTY bands. Putting a small keyer near the v.f.o., p.t.o. or l.m.o. (depending upon what the manufacturer calls his tuning arrangements) and then connecting it to the cathode pin on the oscillator tube usually results in excellent RTTY transmission. No changes are actually made in the transmitter, thus you are not "digging into it" at all, nor will the resale value be adversely affected since you can remove the keyer(s) in a few moments. F.s.k. has been covered quite adequately in past issues<sup>2</sup> so it will not be discussed further.

#### What About Transceivers?

A transceiver on RTTY usually is a nuisance. It is much better to have a separate receiver and transmitter. Even a remote v.f.o. for a transceiver offers a lot of advantages. Since there have been many requests for information on the use of s.s.b. transceivers on RTTY, though, some comments are in order. First, few transceivers will transmit or receive the standard tones of 2125 and 2975 adequately. Second, it is not at all convenient to use f.s.k. on most transceivers.

With respect to a.f.s.k., don't use it at all on RTTY unless the transceiver has a crystallattice or mechanical-filter sideband system. If anything other than these two, contact the manufacturer to see whether he feels the sideband and carrier suppression are adequate for use with a.f.s.k. — if he does, you have at least a partial "out" should you hear from the FCC later!

<sup>2</sup> Hoff, "Transmitting Radioteletype," QST, May, 1965.

If you feel that the transceiver meets the minimum requirements, then we recommend you do build an *adequate* a.f.s.k. unit.

#### Audio Tones

The only reason for using tones other than 2125 and 2975 is the relatively narrow bandwidth of the s.s.b. unit, whether a transmitter, receiver or transceiver. At first glance, you might think you had to use a combination such as 1275 mark and 2125 space, because many s.s.b. receivers and transmitters have audio bandwidths of only 300-2400 Hz. The truth is that in practically any of these transmitters a slight modification will let the 2975-Hz. tone through with no problem at the same time, it usually improves both the carrier suppression and the unwanted sideband suppression considerably.

Most s.s.b. units have a crystal-controlled carrier oscillator or b.f.o. By substituting a crystal approximately 1 kHz. farther from the filter passband you immediately change the audio passband from 300-2400 to 1300-3400 Hz. Find the "lower-sideband" crystal, and order another that is one kHz. lower. For instance, in the Collins S-line transmitters and receivers the lower-sideband crystal is 453.650 kHz. A 452.650 crystal will give you 1300-3400 Hz. audio. A similar calculation on any s.s.b. unit with a crystal-controlled b.f.o. will give adequate results.

This makes it quite simple to use the "normal" tones of 2125 and 2975 Hz. You run into too many problems in trying to use 1275 and 2125: harmonics, keying transients, filter construction, filter balance, and so on. Although tones of 1275



CR1, CR2-Silicon; type not critical (1N4816 used). CR3—8.2-volt Zener, 1 watt (1N4738). J1–J4, incl.—Phono jacks.

Q1, Q5 Q6, Q7—Silicon, n-p-n; Motorola MPS-3394 or equivalent.

Q<sub>2</sub>, Q<sub>3</sub>—Silicon, p-n-p; Motorola MPS-3702 or equivalent.

and 2125 may appear to be the easy way out, this is not true at all.

Some receivers and transmitters have a place for an optional filter for RTTY or c.w., in which case they often also have provision for an extra b.f.o. crystal. In many cases you can put the new crystal in that unused vacant spot. If no such spot is available your problem is still somewhat simple. Get a small toggle switch (Switchcraft makes them to fit into a 1/4-inch diameter hole) and mount it in the chassis as close to the lower-sideband crystal as is convenient. The switch should be a single-pole, double-throw type for most transmitters. Hook one side of the lower sideband crystal to one side of the switch and one side of the new RTTY crystal to the other side of the switch. The switch arm, of course, goes to the point where the lowersideband crystal originally was connected. The other side of the new crystal hooks to the common side of the original sideband crystal.

You now have the option of using either RTTY or s.s.b. when in the lower-sideband position. If the transceiver is habitually used on 20 meters where upper sideband is customary, the chances are the switch can be left in the RTTY position without inconveniencing the owner at all.

If separate receivers and transmitters are used in transceive you will find it necessary to get new b.f.o. crystals for both the transmitter and the receiver. Then they will both achieve similar audio passbands when locked together.

#### **Oscillator Transients and Harmonics**

In our a.f.s.k. article in June 1965 QST, a unit designed by K3NIO was included. The AK-1

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Q<sub>4</sub>—Unijunction; 2N4871 or equivalent. R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>5</sub>—Linear taper.

R-For output level setting; see text.

S1-Rotary, 1 section, 1 pole, 4 positions used.

S<sub>2</sub>—S.p.s.t. toggle.

is basically the same thing, but with refinements that add to its versatility, such as narrowshift c.w. identification and the addition of outputs for both v.h.f. and s.s.b. transmitters. The biggest change is the elimination of the need for separate positive and negative 12-volt power supplies.

All other a.f.s.k. circuits which I have seen published in the past ten years used LC oscillators, usually with one 88-mh. toroid with a 0.033-µf. capacitor across it for 2975 Hz. and an additional 0.03 or 0.033  $\mu$ f. to go to 2125 for mark. Since adding capacitance to an LC circuit lowers the audio frequency, and since the mark tone is used as the reference, you can see the problem in trying to achieve any shift other than 850 with this type of circuit. It is also a problem to get narrow-shift c.w. identification that will come out "right side up." The greatest problem, though, arises from rapidly changing the frequency of a resonant LC circuit: the inductor generates a back e.m.f. which creates a "spike" on the waveform. The spike created by the 88-mh, toroid in a typical a.f.s.k, unit can cause momentary overdrive of the transmitter, causing distortion and spurious radiations.<sup>3</sup>

Also, these oscillators have strong harmonics,

<sup>3</sup> The effect that the author is discussing here is similar to the spikes that occur on c.w. keying waveforms as a result of, among other things, poor regulation in the power supply. When these spikes are eliminated, however, there remains the bandwidth attributable to the rate at which the keyed character is started and stopped. Unless some provision is made to shape the keying waveform, by slowing up the transition from off to on (and vice versa) in amplitude keying, or from one frequency to the other (in frequency keying) there can be key clicks that occupy more than the necessary keying bandwidth. — Editor,



External connections are on the rear chassis wall. Aside from these and the controls lined up on the front wall, all components are mounted on a  $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3$ -inch etched board supported by brackets from the side walls of the chassis. The audio low-pass filter is at the left in this view. The unijunction oscillator and the keying circuits occupy the right-hand section of the board.

particularly the even harmonics, while few, if any, simple a.f.s.k. units use any type of low-pass filter to eliminate them. Although the transmitter itself will probably pass only the 2125 tone, the harmonics at 4250, 6375, and so on can adversely affect the audio and sideband stages. Furthermore, to get from 1275 to 2125 with an LC oscillator (many are thoroughly convinced they "have to" use those tones), you just about have to double the size of the additional capacitor. What does this do to the back e.m.f. created by the inductor? Increases it somewhat, of course, as it now resists even more making this greater change in resonant frequency. Thus the problems with 2125 and 2975 Hz., using an LC oscillator, are aggravated with 1275 and 2125. And what about the harmonics? Now we have 1275, 2550, 3825, 5100, 6375, etc., etc. That 2550 tone, in particular, very likely will go right on through the transmitter, perhaps affecting copy at the other end. Still need to be convinced that a simple LCoscillator using 1275 and 2125 doesn't create more problems than it solves?

The fact that the typical a.f.s.k. circuit is simple and inexpensive is hardly justification for putting a mediocre system on a relatively expensive piece of equipment, when for only a few dollars more you could have additional benefits and do it right at the same time.

#### Requirements for Good A.F.S.K.

A few requirements are "musts" if you are talking about a decent a.f.s.k. unit, and some other features are in the "nice-to-have" category.

In the "must" department, we would want:

1) No keying transients on going from mark to space.

2) Negligible harmonic content to create distortion in the transmitter.

3) Proper output level for the transmitter to be used.

In the "nice-to-have" department, we could add several things, but let's try these.

1) 170 shift as well as 850 shift

2) Perhaps one or two positions for other shifts to experiment with.

3) Narrow-shift c.w. identification.

4) Output to match either carbon or highimpedance mike inputs.

5) An input that will readily adapt to numerous different arrangements to suit the user.

In addition to such operating features, it would be advantageous to make the unit solidstate, for low power consumption and small size, as well as to allow use of an easily-duplicated printed circuit board.

Thus was the Mainline AK-1 a.f.s.k. unit "born."

#### The Mainline AK-1

The heart of the AK-1, Fig. 1, is a unijunction transistor pulse generator. The circuit is essentially an RC oscillator, so decreasing R will increase the frequency. You can easily change to any shift you like merely by adding resistance in parallel (or by switching in different resistors) while keeping the mark frequency the same.

The pulse generator runs at 4250 pulses per second for the mark frequency. These pulses are fed into a flip-flop which changes state for each pulse, thus not only dividing by two to get 2125 cycles per second, but also providing symmetrical square waves from the short pulses.

Square waves theoretically have only oddharmonic content, so the harmonics generated by this system are 2125, 6375, 10,625, 14,875, and so on. The flip-flop is followed by a 5-pole Butterworth low-pass filter that cuts off a little above 3000 Hz. This filter effectively removes all harmonics, changing the square wave into a sine wave.

The output of the low-pass filter goes directly to the s.s.b. mike input, which always operates at a very low signal-voltage level. It also goes to an emitter-follower stage that will supply



Fig. 2-Teletype machine keyboard connections.



Fig. 3—Power-supply circuit. Resistances are in ohms; resistors are 1-watt composition.

 $\label{eq:classical} \begin{array}{l} C_1 & = Electrolytic, 1000 \ \mu f. \ or \ more, 15-25 \ volts. \\ CR_1 - CR_4, \ incl. - Silicon, 200 \ ma., 50 \ p.i.v. \\ CR_5 - Zener; 12 \ volts, 1 \ watt. \end{array}$ 

a relatively hefty 0.5 volt (peak audio) to a low impedance, for v.h.f. transmitters using carbon microphones.

Since there is no inductor in the oscillator section, keying transients are minimized when the signal is changed from mark to space. Observations with a Tektronix 531 scope bear this out.

The input circuit of the AK-1 will operate from any system that gives a positive voltage for space. It is immaterial whether there is no voltage or a negative voltage for mark. This system adapts to most systems already in use for driving an f.s.k. unit in the transmitter. It adapts immediately to the Mainline  $TT/L^4$  or  $TT/L-2^5$ units. Most other demodulators do not include an f.s.k. driving system, and in such case the operator prohably has devised one — such as a "shift pot" system — himself. The AK-1 may also be driven directly from the keyboard as shown in Fig. 2.

Only when receiving on lower sideband do the audio tones come out properly. Consequently, when transmitting in the lower-sideband position, the tones are transmitted normally, and mark will remain "stationary" regardless of what shift is in use. Plan to do all your transmitting and all your listening in the lowersideband position for normal operation.

Some transmitters will not pass 2975 as well as they pass 2125 Hz. (we are not talking about the units that won't pass 2975 at all — supposedly the owner has now changed the b.f.o. crystal so that 2975 will be passed); that is, 2975 may not be passed at the same level as 2125. For instance, the audio circuits in the author's HT-32A attenuate the space tone of 2975 some 3 db. To compensate for this audio roll-off, a simple high-boost circuit consisting of a 0.015-µf. capacitor and a resistor,  $R_6$ , was added. If your transmitter has less output on space than on mark, try various values of resistors at this point. In my case, it took about 4700 ohms. You may not need any resistor at all.

The shift for c.w. identification at present is set for about 110 Hz. (FCC requires at least 100 Hz. for narrow-shift c.w. for this purpose.) The nice thing about this arrangement on the AK-1 is that the c.w. identification shift is always

T1—Any transformer having 12- to 12.6-volt secondary, 100 ma. or more.

the same regardless of the shift selected by the switch. Take the "side-arm" off the key so it will not short out and cause the shift to change inadvertently.

#### Constructing the Unit

There is tremendous flexibility in the choice of most of the parts. The unijunction transistor (Motorola 2N4871) was selected as its price is only 96 cents, but many others may be used.  $Q_1, Q_5, Q_6$  and  $Q_7$  can be literally any n-p-n type of silicon transistor (do not use germanium transistors). The pots can be the Centralab "Fastach II front" units, as these are modest in cost and various types of short shafts may be obtained. The author used flush screwdriver shafts. You may prefer a short shaft that can be turned with the fingers. The output connectors on the rear are inexpensive phono jacks that mount in a one-quarter-inch hole.

The use of a printed-circuit board greatly simplifies the construction of any project and this is no exception. The board designed by the author measures about 3 by  $5\frac{1}{2}$  inches.<sup>6</sup>

For ease of adjustment, the pots for 2125, 2295 and 2975 were selected to give about 60-70 Hz. total variation at the frequencies specified. As a result, you may need to hand-pick the resistors in series with the pots to enable them to operate in mid-range. The values shown on the schematic are those used in the author's unit. The 500K and 3-megohm pots should have right-hand log taper to give linear variations between various shifts you may want to use. If you wish, you can leave out the positions on the switch you do not feel you need, thus saving some money on the pots and resistors. If you never have any use at all for narrow shift, you can dispense with the switch entirely, and the 2295 pot plus the other two. Their associated resistors can also be left off. You can easily enough add any or all of those things later if you wish. The board is merely "programmed" to include all the variations you should ever require.

One additional comment: Bypass each connector leaving the chassis with a 0.01- or 0.005- $\mu$ f.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Hoff, "The Mainline TT/L F.S.K. Demodulator," *QST*, August, 1965.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Petersen, "The Mainline TT/L-2 Demodulator," RTTY Journal. September, 1967.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The heard and parts may be obtained through Truman Boerkorl, KBJUG, (AK-1 Kit), Newark Industrial Electronics Corp., 2114 South Division, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49507. For 88-mh. toroids, check the classified ads at the rear of this magazine.



The W8HRF compact loaded beam installed on a pipe mast.

## The W8 High Radio Frequency Short Beam Compact End-Loaded Two-Element Yagi for 20

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**ND** loading of a short dipole antenna has an advantage over center loading, since it increases the radiation resistance relative to the loss resistance in the system.<sup>1</sup> Losses are further reduced, because the loading-coil resistance (the principal loss resistance in a loaded dipole element) is moved to a point of lower current on the current-distribution pattern. In the case of a short Yagi antenna, end loading also has the mechanical advantage that "plumber's delight" construction can be used, since it is unnecessary to open up the centers of the elements and insulate them from the boom for the insertion of a coil.

The 14-MHz, antenna shown in the photographs is a modification of a Hy-Lite 10-meter Yagi, but similar antennas may be easily built from scratch, of course. The maximum overall element length is approximately 14 feet.

#### Loading Coils

Each of the end-loading assemblies consists of a coil and a capacitive hat, and the general arrangement is shown in the sketch of Fig. 1. The coils are wound with No. 8 aluminum wire (clothesline or TV ground wire). Fifteen turns in each coil are needed for the driven element, and eleven turns for the director. The turns are wound on a 25%-inch form. When the coil is removed from the form, the diameter will spring out to about 3 inches. The ends of the coil should

be bent out and formed into loops to be fastened down with No. 8 machine screws.

Although it may not be an absolute necessity, a support at the center of the coil is highly desirable. Such a support can be made from a 3¼-inch length of ¼-inch Plexiglas strip 1 inch wide. Drill a hole at the center of the strip large enough to slide easily over the end of the element (approximately 5% inch). Notch both ends of the strip to fit the wire of the coil. Preheat the kitchen oven to 250 degrees, and warm the Plexiglas until it softens (about 5 minutes). Using gloves or potholders, slide the softened strip over the end of the element, and twist the strip into a "butterfly." While holding it in shape, cool it under water. File off the corners of the strip so



Fig. 1-Essential dimensions of the end-loaded short Yagi antenna.

<sup>\*1335</sup> Manfeld Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43227. Dome, "Increased Radiating Efficiency for Short Antennas," QST, September, 1934.



Fig. 2—Sketches showing details of the coil-mounting insulator, and capacitive hats.

that they will not interfere with adjacent turns. The completed strip is placed across the center turn of the coil, and slid along the antenna element as the coil is mounted. The hole in the strip should be reasonably loose so that the strip will slide easily along the element as the coil is adjusted.

#### Insulating Sections

The coils are mounted across insulating sections at the ends of the elements. Those at the ends of the driven element are made as shown in Fig. 2B. A 3-inch length of  $\frac{5}{8}$ -inch phenolic rod is fastened to each end of the element by means of a coupling for 1/2-inch plastic pipe (obtainable at hardware stores and plumbing shops). The coupling is forced onto the end of the element by hammering with a mallet, and then the phenolic rod is hammered into the coupling. A second coupling is hammered onto the end of the phenolic rod, and the aluminum insert shown in the detail of Fig. 2D is forced into the coupling until it is flush with the end of the coupling. (If necessary, file the end of the insert down to bring it flush.) The 8-32 hole in the insert should not be drilled and tapped until the insert is in position in the coupling. Then the hole should be drilled through the coupling and into the insert. Use a bottom tap to thread the hole. For additional strength, the seams of the assembly may be doped with epoxy.

The 8-32 screw fitting the threaded hole is used as one terminal of the loading coil. The terminal for the other end of the coil is an adjustable strap clamp around the %-inch portion of the antenna element.

In the case of the director element, the phenolic-rod section and the second coupling are omitted, the aluminum insert being driven into the coupling at the end of the element. (The additional insulation on the driven element was found to be necessary to avoid arcing.)

#### **Capacitive Hats**

The capacitive hats are made as shown in Fig. 2A. A 17-inch ring is formed of No. 8 aluminum wire. The ends are held together by inserting them into opposite ends of a short piece of 3/16-inch aluminum tubing which is secured by crimping. Spokes of the same type of wire are formed as shown. The gap at the Drill & Tap 8-32 center should be just sufficient to allow a 10-32 screw to pass. The spokes may be welded or soldered onto the ring, or fastened by wrapdiam ping with small-size aluminum wire. A hat is fastened to the aluminum insert at each end of each element by means of a 10-32 machine screw, a lockwasher, and a clamp fashioned from a small piece of 1/16-inch aluminum strip, as shown in Fig. 2C. The two bent-down ears of the clip should be inserted in the Vs formed by the spokes, and the screw tightened securely.

#### Matching Section

The gamma matching section was patterned after the tubular-capacitor design described by W2VS in all recent editions of *The ARRL Antenna Book*. Not having access to tubing of the required diameter, I used heat-shrinkable tubing as the dielectric.<sup>2</sup> This tubing has a (Continued on page 48)

<sup>2</sup> Shrinkable tubing can be obtained in small lots from Burstein-Applebee, 3199 Mercier St., Kansas City, Mo. 64111.



The end-loading capactive hat and coil assembly.

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# A Simple Oscilloscope Calibrator

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Most amateurs do not have access to oscilloscopes with calibrated time base and voltage presentations. The experimentallyinclined amateur occasionally needs this information to a reasonably accurate degree. Most free-running oscilloscope sweep circuits can be adjusted to give fairly linear presentations by advancing the horizontal gain such that only a small portion of the total sweep is presented. Furthermore, the sweep-frequency control can be independently adjusted to approximate a calibrated sweep time per scale division.

The unit shown schematically in Fig. 1 generates square waves of 0.15 microsecond rise time and 0.1  $\mu$ s. fall time. This makes calibration of the sweep presentation very easy. Five different frequencies are generated utilizing time periods most often required by the inexpensive oscilloscope, ranging from 10 Hz. to 100 kHz. in decade steps. Frequency stability is controlled entirely by the resistance and capacitance time constant of the circuit. Voltage calibration is accomplished through the use of batteries and a calibrated surplus ten-turn potentiometer. Voltage stability depends on the condition of the self-contained batteries which can be checked with an ordinary d.c. voltmeter.

#### Theory Of Operation

The free-running multivibrator shown in Fig. 1 is used to generate different frequency pulses. Normally such a circuit has a collector voltage output waveform which is somewhat like a distorted square wave because of the manner in which the timing capacitor and resistor charge. It is desirable that the collector voltage waveform be as square as possible. Let us look at the portion

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Completed unit shown with calibration dial in the foreground. Two output jacks have been included as a matter of convenience. Tape labels have been added to "dress up" the unit.

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TABLE I           Capacitor and frequency selection, All capacitors are 15 volt or greater.					
C1, C6	10	tantalum	10 Hz.	9.7 Hz.	
C <sub>2</sub> , C <sub>7</sub>	1	tantalum	100 Hz.	98 Hz.	
C <sub>3</sub> , C <sub>8</sub>	0.1	tantalum or Mylar	1 kHz.	0.95 kHz.	
C4, C9	0.01	Mylar	10 kHz.	9.82 kHz.	
C5, C10	0.001	silver mica	100 kHz.	96.73 kHz	





of the multivibrator circuit associated with  $Q_1$ .  $S_2$  is in the position shown in Fig. 1. The timing capacitor  $C_2$  is charged through resistor  $R_1$  instead of the normal collector load resistor  $R_2$ . After  $C_2$  has been charged through  $R_1$ ,  $CR_2$  prevents further charging current from passing through  $R_2$ . The collector voltage waveform is very nearly square since the collector nearly represents a fully saturated or a fully open transistor. The output squareness of the waveform is limited only by the switching speed of the transistors  $Q_1$ ,  $Q_2$  and diodes  $CR_1$ ,  $CR_2$ , and by the inductance of the wirewound potentiometer  $R_2$ . The collector voltage waveform is rich enough in harmonics so that it can be heard on a broadcast receiver. This is, incidentally, a possible way to check the frequency of oscillation after the construction has been completed.

The maximum voltage output is 10 volts. For the transistors specified, a  $\frac{1}{2}$ -volt drop from collector to emitter is typical. The voltage drop across the  $Q_2$  is assumed constant as the transistor's operation is quite stable at room temperature. Seven ordinary penlite cells yield about 10.5 volts d.c., which allows 10 volts to be placed across  $R_2$ .

#### Additional Thoughts

Nothing is particularly critical about the construction of the unit. Any metal box that will hold all the components should be quite satisfactory.  $R_2$  and its accompanying calibration dial were obtained on the surplus market to help reduce the cost of the project. Similar capacitors should be used on each side of the multivibrator as a capacitance dissimilarity will cause the ontime to differ from the off-time. Most of the components are simply fastened to the points as they are needed and are convenient.

The calibrator has been most satisfactory in

2N697 applicable. R1—See text.

R<sub>2</sub>—500-ohm, 10-turn, linear, wirewound control. S<sub>1</sub>—S.p.s.t., pushbutton, momentary contact. S<sub>2</sub>—2-pole, 5-position, nonshorting rotary.

every respect. It has found additional uses in that the performance of a number of audio amplifiers has been analyzed by using the unit as an ordinary square-wave generator. The attack time of a compressing audio preamplifier has been set up by using the 10-Hz. position as a keyed signal. Additional uses are apparent. A homemade frequency counter was giving difficulty and its fault was determined by pulsing the device with this calibrator. Primarily however, the calibrator has proven to be most valuable in determining the frequency and amplitude of low-level oscilloscope signals.

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# **T-Notch Filter for the HBR**

Selective Rejection of Unwanted Heterodynes

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The advantages of the notch filter are well known. Here is how one can be added to the 100-kHz. intermediate-frequency amplifier of the HBR receivers, with specific layout details for the HBR-13C described in August 1965 QST.

THE QST series of articles on Ted Crosby's HBR receivers have long been of great interest to me. My recent need for a receiver which was an improvement over the average commercial product prompted me to try my hand at the project. In developing this unit from its original form<sup>1</sup> there were found operating conditions when even the excellent selectivity of the HBR-13 left something to be desired. Specifically, it was felt that it would be most desirable to attenuate those strong interfering signals in the i.f. passband which break up the desired signal. A tunable T-notch filter has been incorporated in the design to accomplish this purpose. This article describes the T-notch filter and gives details as to how it may be incorporated in an existing HBR-13C.



Fig. 1—Ideal bridged-T network. RL is the resistance of the coil L at the operating frequency.

#### **Circuit Theory**

The T-notch filter has as its heart the threeterminal bridged-T network shown in its pure or theoretical form by Fig. 1.  $R_{\rm L}$  is the resistive component of a reactance formed by the inductance L. (The value of  $R_{\rm L}$  is not the same as the d.c. resistance of the inductance.) Values for components L,  $R_{\rm L}$ , C and R can be chosen so the network has zero transfer impedance at some resonant rejection or notch frequency,  $f_{\rm o}$ . Such a network can be theoretically designed to have any desired amount of attenuation at a single frequency. Because of shielding problems, stray capacitance, and unbalance of circuit elements a maximum attenuation of 50 to 60 db. is generally realized. The resonant notch frequency,  $f_o$ , can be calculated by the equation

$$2\pi f_{\rm o} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{LC}}$$

At this frequency a series of equations may be developed which permit calculating all other network parameters for maximum attenuation:

$$R = \frac{L}{2CR_{\rm L}}$$
$$R_{\rm L} = \frac{1}{R (2\pi f_0 C)^2}$$

If the inductance, L, has a very high Q then the network impedance at the notch frequency,  $f_0$ , will be approximately equal to four times the value of the total resistive leg, R.

The construction and subsequent use of a practical circuit is simplified if this network is modified as shown in Fig. 2. The variable capacitor,  $C_1$ , permits tuning the network over a small frequency range. This in turn allows one to position the rejection notch over an undesired signal which falls anywhere in the receiver's passband. When not in use the variable capacitor is set at either maximum or minimum capacitance, thereby placing the rejection notch well outside the passband. So positioned, the network has little or no effect on normal receiver sensitivity or selectivity. Although from a strictly theoretical standpoint the filter is designed for one rejection frequency only, it is quite practical to tune the circuit a few kilocycles either side of this frequency to cover the entire i.f. passband. Experiments in the laboratory indicate that the equations given for the network in Fig. 1 apply equally well, for all practical purposes, to the compromise network of Fig. 2. In calculating com-



Fig. 2—Adjustable-frequency bridged-T network.  $C_1$  permits tuning the rejection frequency over a small range.

<sup>\*</sup> Pacific Telephone Telegraph Co., Special Service Engineering, 450 Mission St., Room 201, San Francisco, Calif. 94105.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Crosby, "HBR Developments," QST, August, 1965, or a description of the HBR-13C.



Fig. 3—Notch-filter modification of the HBR-13. Fixed capacitors are ceramic except those labeled S.M. (silver mica). Fixed resistors are ½-watt composition except as indicated.

C<sub>1</sub>—140-pf. midget variable (Hammarlund APC-140B). L<sub>1</sub>—App. 3 mh., adjustable (Miller 9004, 2.1-8 mh.). R<sub>1</sub>—Linear control, wire-wound. R<sub>2</sub>—Linear control, 2-watt.

ponent parameters for the compromise network the total capacitance is set equal to the sum of the two fixed capacitors (=C/2) plus half the maximum capacitance of the variable,  $C_1$ . This is done because the notch circuit will be subsequently aligned at the i.f. mid-band frequency when the variable is positioned precisely at half-mesh, in order to permit tuning the rejection notch from one side of the passband to

the other. This compromise bridged-T network has been incorporated in the HBR through an additional amplifier stage following the second mixer, as shown in Fig. 3. This additional stage provides a means for correctly matching the network to the main i.f. amplifier as well as providing enough gain to overcome the losses in the network. The overall gain of the added stage plus the bridged-T network is controlled by varying the screen potential of the added 6BJ6. Component values shown are those used by K4FX (ex-WA4ZNI) in his HBR-13C. I have made several substitutions of R, C and L components in my HBR, each time achieving identical rejection-notch characteristics. The equations which have been given will permit the experimentally-minded amateur to calculate his own component values (providing of course that he remembers to remain dimensionally correct by using farads, henrys, cycles per second, and ohms!). Values for  $R_1$ ,  $C_2$ , and L actually measured in a properly aligned network should compare within 10 percent to calculated values obtained by solution of the equations.

R<sub>3</sub>—I.f. gain control in original circuit. T<sub>1</sub>—One circuit of 100-kc. **i.f.** transformer (Miller 1709). T<sub>2</sub>A—100-kc. i.f. transformer (Miller 1709) in original

4250V

HBR-13C circuit, previously connected to plate circuit of 6U8A second mixer.

A high-Q inductance is an absolute necessity for this circuit. The J. W. Miller 9004 which is specified has a measured Q in excess of 80 at an inductance of 2.74 mh. and a frequency of 100 kHz. In addition, its slug-tuned feature provides a means for aligning the network to the precise i.f. mid-band frequency. The original mixer plate is tuned through one section of a J. W. Miller 1709 transformer and capacitively coupled to the network. This circuit arrangement proved its superiority to resistance-coupled schemes which were also tried.

No provision has been made for adjusting notch depth from the front panel. Alignment of the network for optimum rejection would not be possible if the resistive leg were operationally varied. Actual use of the network indicates there is really no such thing as "too much rejection," so the resistive leg of the network, once adjusted for optimum network balance (i.e., maximum rejection) during the alignment process, is thereafter not touched. The network when properly aligned should give not less than 45 db. of rejection to an undesired signal falling within the i.f. passband of an average HBR receiver.

#### Mechanical Details

A chassis layout for adding this stage to an HBR-13C has been developed by K4FX and is given in Fig. 4. Test point  $J_3$  must be moved to the rear chassis apron to make room for the 15K network pot and the added 1709 transformer.

The Hammarlund APC-B is mounted beneath the chassis directly below  $T_{2A}$  and  $T_{2B}$  on the

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Fig. 4—Layout of notch-filter components in the HBR-13C chassis plan as shown on page 15, October 1965 QST. Original components are shown light, added components above the chassis are heavy; variable-capacitor mounting and drive, underneath the chassis, are dotted.

bracket illustrated in Fig. 5. Installation of threaded studs  $3\frac{3}{4}$ -inches long between the vertical face of the mounting bracket and the rear chassis apron is needed to give extra stability to the entire assembly. An 8:1 vernier drive will be required for driving the capacitor: Lafayette Radio catalog 99H6031 is recommended. This vernier drive unit is mounted in the position vacated by  $S_4$  (the a.g.c. switch), which in turn has been moved to the right of  $C_{12}$  (b.f.o. pitch). The notch will tune through the i.f. passband with 30 degrees or less of shaft rotation, so a high vernier-drive ratio is required for operating ease.

Precise alignment of the capacitor shaft and the vernier drive assembly is quite important. A little care and patience in getting the drive shafts correctly aligned will pay handsome operating dividends. A Millen 3900 insulated flexible coupling between the capacitor shaft and the vernier unit shaft will be helpful in compen-



Fig. 5—Mounting bracket for the variable capacitor. Dimension X should place the capacitor shaft at the same distance from the chassis as the shaft of the original a.g.c. control. Both rotor and stator of the APC-B must be insulated from the mounting.

sating for small errors in mechanical alignment. Note in particular that the rotor and stator of the capacitor are both above chassis ground; mounting arrangements must provide for this.

#### I. F. Alignment

Before aligning the bridged-T network itself it will be necessary to realign the entire i.f. amplifier because of the added 6BJ6 stage. It is imperative that you use a 100-kHz. signal source for this purpose, as well as for subsequent network alignment. In order to receive full benefit from the excellent i.f. response of the HBR-13C and from the T-notch circuit you should beg, borrow or buy a 100-kHz. frequency standard; the Handbook design will give excellent results.

Short  $L_1$  with a jumper and set the 6BJ6 screen pot to provide 75 volts of screen potential. Con-



Fig. 6—1.f. selectivity curves with the notch-filter variable capacitor set near the extremes of its range, below the i.f. passband at the right; above the passband at the left. Aside from a slight effect on symmetry, the passband is unaffected by the notch.

nect the 100-kHz. signal to the grid (pin 7) of the 6U8A second mixer; disable the second oscillator by pulling the 1710-kHz. crystal. Turn the a.g.c. ou and advance both i.f. and mixer gain to the point required for a half-scale S-meter reading.

Now, slowly and carefully tune the slugs in i.f. transformers  $T_4$ ,  $T_3$ ,  $T_{2B}$ ,  $T_{2A}$ , (the numbers refer to Fig. 1, page 18, August 1965 QST) and the new 1709 unit, in that order, for maximum S-meter reading. Remember that only one-half of the new 1709 transformer is used, and that only one of its two slugs will make any appreciable difference in your S-meter reading. Reduce the i.f. gain to keep a midscale meter reading throughout this process.

#### Network Alignment

Having aligned the i.f. amplifier as precisely as possible, remove the jumper from  $L_1$  and turn off the a.g.c. Leave the 100-kHz. signal source connected as before to the grid of the second mixer. Connect a v.t.v.m. to the phones jack, turn the b.f.o. on, adjust the pitch for a 700- to 1000-cycle audio note. Set the v.t.v.m. to its lowest a.c. range (1.5 to 3 volts), open the audio gain fully, and then advance the i.f. and mixer gains just enough to achieve a midscale deflection of the v.t.v.m.

The object in aligning the bridged-T network is to measure the amount of 100-kHz. signal passing through the notch circuit and balance the network for maximum attenuation. Set  $C_1$  to its half-mesh position; then, using a nonmetallic alignment tool, tune  $L_1$  through resonance as evidenced by a sharp dip in the v.t.v.m. reading. Adjust the 25K pot for a minimum v.t.v.m. reading. There is much interaction between the slug in  $L_1$  and the pot, so a large number of very small incremental adjustments will be required.

As balance is approached it will be found that the slightest pressure of the alignment tool on either the slug or the pot will make a marked change in the v.t.v.m. reading. At this point use patience and care; the degree of unwanted signal rejection which can be obtained from this circuit is a direct function of how precise the network balance condition can be made. In some cases it may be easier to use separate alignment tools for the inductance and the potentiometer, turning both of them slowly and simultaneously for a minimum v.t.v.m. signal. Close to balance, it will be necessary to slowly advance the i.f. gain to get sufficient v.t.v.m. signal for accurately sensing the exact point of maximum rejection. Be very careful not to overdrive the i.f. stages,



Fig. 7—Typical selectivity curves with the notch set approximately 800 Hz. below (left) and above (right) the frequency of peak response.



Fig. 8—The effect of frequency separation between desired and undesired signals is shown by these laboratory measurements for signals separated by 1100 and 300 Hz. In both cases the undesired signal is suppressed approximately 40 db. below the peak response.

as this will result in misalignment of the notch circuit. In a correctly-aligned network it should be possible to see a slight upward kick of the v.t.v.m. as the signal source is keyed, evidencing the fact that the rejection notch reaches down very closely to the noise threshold of the receiver.

Unfortunately, since this circuit had to be fitted into available chassis space it was not possible to follow shielding and layout precautions that otherwise would have been taken. For example, there is some slight signal leakage around the added 6BJ6 stage and into the grid of the first i.f. amplifier. On-the-air use of the receiver has shown no operational difficulties from this undesirable condition, however. For those who may still be contemplating the construction of an HBR I would strongly advise modifying the normal HBR-13C chassis layout so the entire notch circuit can be installed in a shielded enclosure placed directly in line with the i.f. amplifier proper, in preference to the sidesaddle mounting used here.

#### Circuit Performance

Some fairly extensive tests have indicated that changes to the 6BJ6 screen potential vary not only the stage gain but also the overall i.f. passband, although the notch depth does not seem to be affected. Higher screen voltages favor a narrower passband while lower voltages favor a better signal-to-noise ratio. It is for this reason that the voltage divider for the 6BJ6 screen

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The completed transmatch with the 80/40-meter coil plugged in. At the rear is the 20-meter coil and the 10/15-meter unit is to the front. In regular operation, the antenna would be attached to the stand-off insulator at the top rear of the chassis. The clip lead visible below the coil is the one attached to the jack bar.

# Limited-Space Antennas and Methods Of Coupling

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O NE very popular type of antenna, probably because of its simplicity, is a wire of either a predetermined or random length, fed at one end. It is common procedure among amateurs these days to refer to such an antenna as a "long wire." Actually, this term is usually incorrect because, by definition, a long-wire antenna is a wire that is several wavelengths long at the operating frequency. However, no matter what you call it, the end-fed wire can be a very simple antenna to put up and use, if certain steps are taken.

#### **Transmitter** Loads

Nearly all transmitters described these days are designed to work into 50- to 70-ohm loads, with little thought given to any load that departs very far from these figures. If the load is something different than the above figure it may be impossible to get the amplifier in a transmitter to load up. In order for the final amplifier stage to operate at its best efficiency the load (the antenna system) must be within the design range of the amplifier.

An end-fed wire may present a load of 50 to 70 ohms, but if it does it will be a case of pure luck on the part of the user — and what's more important, that load won't stay the same across a band. In other words, the antenna will present a 50- to 70-ohm load for only a very limited fre-

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quency range. Once we QSY the load may change to where it is no longer within the tuning range of the amplifier. Our problem boils down to having the transmitter *always* see a load 50- to 70ohms, regardless of the band or frequency in use. This in turn means we must make the antenna system look like a 50- to 70-ohm load, no matter which band we use it on.

#### The Transmatch, An Adjustable R.F. Transformer

Let's make one point clear about end-fed wires, or any antenna, for that matter: there is no way of predicting what the feed-point impedance (load) will be before making and installing the antenna. We can come close, but there are many factors that get into the act to determine what



Fig. 1—This block diagram shows the set up for using a transmatch. Not shown is an antenna relay which normally would be inserted in the coaxial line. If a low-pass filter is used, it should be the last item in the line before the transmatch.



 $\begin{array}{l} C_2 = 150 \text{-pf. variable (Millen 19140 or similiar).} \\ CR_1, CR_2 = 1N34A germanium diode. \\ J_1 = Coax chassis fitting, type SO-239. \\ L_1, L_2 = See Fig. 5. \\ L_3, L_4 = See Fig. 4. \end{array}$ 

the impedance will be. The antenna's height, its proximity to nearby objects, its length, and the antenna's relation to earth ground are just a few of the factors. If we don't know what the feedpoint impedance is, how can we make the transmitter always work into a 50-ohm load? The easiest way is to insert a transmatch between the transmitter and the feed point. A transmatch is simply an adjustable r.f. transformer that takes our unknown feed-point load and converts it to a desired load, 50-ohms in the case shown in Fig. 1.

Note in Fig. 1 that we show a random-length antenna and an earth ground connection. In this case, our unknown load exists between the end of the antenna and ground. On the transmitter side of the transmatch we have 50-ohm coaxial cable and inserted in this cable is a 50-ohm reflectometer or s.w.r. (standing-wave-ratio) bridge. The reflectometer is simply a measuring instrument that tells us when our transmatch is properly adjusted to convert our unknown load to a 50-ohm load. If the transmatch has adequate matching range, we can convert any feed-point load to 50 ohms. And this means that we can take any random length wire and make a working antenna out of it for any amateur band or frequency. There are some practical limits as to how short a wire we can use, but actually the antenna can be quite short in relation to a wavelength and still work.

#### Limited-Space Antennas

Many hams live in apartments or locations where it is impossible to put up an "antenna

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- Fig. 2—Circuit diagram of the transmatch and Varimatcher All 0.001-μf. capacitors are disk ceramic.
- C1-150-pf. variable, (air gap 0.077 inch or larger for high power, Millen 12515 or similar; air gap 0.040 inch for low power, Millen 19140W or similar).
  - M1—0-1 milliammeter (more sensitive meter can be used). R1—50-ohms, ½-watt carbon or composition, not wirewound.
  - R<sub>2</sub>—50,000-ohm control, linear taper.

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S1-Single-pole, single-throw toggle switch.

farm" or even a half-wave dipole for 80 or 40 meters. Random-length wires are sometimes the best bet in these circumstances. For hams who live under such conditions there are some general rules that can be followed for best performance. If possible, always get the antenna up on the roof. If not, get the antenna as high as possible. Make the wire as long as possible, even if it has to go around corners. Don't overlook existing antenna possibilities, such as rain gutters or roof flashing. In a moment we are going to describe a transmatch that can be used to couple practically any wire or metal structure to the transmitter, including rain gutters.

If it is impossible to get an outdoor antenna up (and don't overlook "invisible" antennas<sup>1</sup>), an indoor antenna will work, but not as good as an outdoor one. With the transmatch to be described, you can run a wire around the ceiling molding and couple the wire to the rig, maintaining that 50-ohm load we mentioned earlier. When you hear hams talking about loading up the bed spring don't laugh — many a ham has made contacts that way. All you need is some method of coupling the bed spring to the rig, and that's what our transmatch will do.

#### The Transmatch

Shown in Fig. 2 is the circuit for a transmatch that will do the job we've been talking about. This unit will match practically any wire to our 50-ohm rigs on any band from 80 through 10

<sup>1</sup>Any wire that is No. 28 or smaller is practically impossible to see when strung up as an antenna. Many hams use "invisible" antennas to prevent a touchy landlord situation.



This shot shows the wiring below deck. At the rear of the chassis is the Varimatcher section. C2 is at the left front of the chassis.

meters. Depending on which capacitor plate spacing you use for  $C_1$ , the transmatch can be used for Novice powers or up to the legal limit of 1 kw. Actually, the closer-spaced capacitor will handle 200 watts or so. The same type coil stock is used for either power level, high or low.

Also included in the transmatch shown in Fig. 2 and the photographs is an s.w.r. bridge. This is a necessary item in order to know when the transmatch is correctly adjusted. If you already have a Monimatch or reflectometer, the unit described can be eliminated from the transmatch.

With the random-wire antenna we'll be dealing with various loads, depending on the frequency and band in use. Shown in Fig. 3 are the three basic circuit configurations used with the transmatch. The circuit can be changed to conform with type A, B, or C by reversing the plugin coil in the jack bar or by changing the capacitor  $C_1$  from the output side of the L configuration, as in B, to the input side, as in C. The capacitor is changed by means of a clip lead connected to the stator.

Some loads may require the circuit setup of A. In this configuration, a link-coupled paralleltuned circuit is used, the antenna being tapped onto  $L_{I}$ .

#### Construction Details

The chassis used to hold the parts is  $2 \times 7 \times 9$ inches and the panel measures  $7 \times 9$  inches. Any chassis large enough to hold the parts can be used.  $C_1$  and the jack bar for the plug-in coils are mounted on top the chassis, and the Varimatcher reflectometer and  $C_2$  are mounted below the chassis top. The remaining components are mounted on the chassis front.

A 4-inch length of RG-58/U coaxial cable is used for the pickup and conductor sections of the

s.w.r. bridge. Details for making this section are given in Fig. 4. Study these details and the photograph of the bottom view carefully before starting construction. The black outer covering of the coax is removed, leaving the braid and inner conductor with its insulation. The outer braid will be  $L_3$  and the inner conductor  $L_4$ . You'll notice that there is an open area at the center of the coax braid. This is to allow room for the connection of one end of the 50-ohm resistor to the center of the inner part of the coaxial line. Use a probe or pointed instrument to open up the area in the braid and then carefully tin the edges of the opening with solder so as to prevent any of the hair-like wires from shorting to the resistor lead or inner conductor. The ends of the braid can be wrapped with a few turns of solid wire and tinned. The wire ends will provide a support for the connection to the feed-through terminal and the inner pin of  $J_1$ .

The metal trough that houses the bridge section is made from a piece of copper flashing, although tin or aluminum could be used. It is a good idea to drill the holes for  $J_1$  and the feed-



through bushing before bending up the trough into a U. Also, when soldering the leads for the diodes,  $CR_1$  and  $CR_2$ , use a heat sink between the body of diode and the point being soldered because too much heat can ruin the diode.

#### Using The Transmatch

In making the antenna, shoot for a length of at least  $\frac{1}{4}$  wavelength at the lowest operating frequency. In other words, if you plan on working 80 meters as the lowest band, then the antenna should be 60 feet long, at least. This doesn't mean that shorter wires won't work — they will, but not nearly as well. A lot of hams will say they can't get up a length of 60 feet. The wire doesn't have to run straight. You can go around corners, up and down, or what have you. The important point is to get up as much wire as possible.

By the same token, many hams think (mistakenly) that they have to have a good earth ground connection in order for their station to work. It's fine if you have one but if you don't,

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forget it. If you have access to a water pipe or other earth ground connection make a connection to the rig and the transmatch, but if you can't, don't worry. The antenna will still work.

With the antenna connected and the rig on the desired frequency, feed enough power through the system to get at least a half-scale reading on the Varimatcher meter, and have the transmatch set up as in (A). Tap the antenna onto the first turn of the coil  $L_1$  at the "hot" end, or end opposite the ground. Incidentally, always turn the rig off when making any adjustments on the transmatch. There may not be any d.c. voltages present but some very, very high r.f. voltages can be developed on the transmatch coils and can cause a nasty r.f. burn.

With the antenna tapped on near the hot end of  $L_1$ , switch  $S_1$  to read reflected power and adjust  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  for a dip or minimum reading. If you cannot get the reflected reading down to zero, or close to it, turn off the power and move the antenna tap closer to the ground end of the coil. You'll eventually find a tap point that will give a reading of zero in the reflected position versus full scale in the forward position of  $S_1$ . If you find that the tap point on  $L_1$  is very close, say within 25 percent, to the ground end, you may want to try configuration B or C.

In either of these configurations, start at the antenna end of the coil and, using another short clip lead, short out turns or portions of turns as you move the antenna tap towards the transmitter end of the circuit. In other words, the antenna is always on the end of the coil, but you may have some of the coil shorted out in order to get a match as indicated by  $M_1$ .

Once you get a match for any given band, make a chart of the taps and so forth so you can return to the setup when you change bands.

The main reason for using configurations B and C is that if the antenna is tapped near ground on  $L_1$  in configuration A, extremely high r.f. volt-



Fig. 4—Constructional details of the Varimatcher bridge section. The braided portion of the coax is L<sub>3</sub> and the inner portion is L<sub>4</sub>.

# CUT WIRE AND UNWIND 1/2 TURNS A

Fig. 5—The 80/40-meter coil. To use the coil on 40 meters, short out 10 turns, counting from the "A" end of the coil. Shorting clips should be copper and the shorting leads should be insulated. Coil stock is No. 14 wire, 8 turns per inch,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches in diameter (Air Dux 2008T, B&W 3905-1, or Polycoils 1775).

The 20-meter coil consists of 4 turns of No. 12 solid wire,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches in diameter, with the turns spaced so that  $L_1$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches long,  $L_2$  is one turn of No. 12, same diameter as  $L_1$ , spaced  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch from the end of  $L_1$ .

The 15/10-meter  $L_1$  coil is 2 turns of No. 12 solid wire, 2½ inches in diameter, turns spaced to cover 1½ inches.  $L_2$  is a single turn, same diameter as  $L_1$ , spaced ½ inch from  $L_1$ .

All coils are mounted on Millen type 40305 plugs and the socket (jack bar) is a Millen 41305. James Millen Co. will sell direct if you cannot get the components from a distributor. Write to James Millen Co., Malden, Mass., Att: Wade Caywood.

ages can develop across  $C_1$ , even with Novice powers. We don't recommend playing around with "arcs" from coils but it might be wise to prove to yourself just how much voltage can be developed. With the antenna tapped near the ground end of  $L_1$ , take a pencil and hold it by the wood, not at the eraser end but in the center. With the key closed and the rig loaded up to about 75 watts, touch the lead end of the pencil to the stator of  $C_1$ . You'll quickly see why caution is necessary. Such an arc can make a very nasty and painful burn.

If you want to try using antennas that are very short for the frequency, such as 10 feet long on 80 meters (similar to a mobile whip) certain additional steps may be required to obtain a match with the transmatch. When you make the coil for 80 and 40 meters you'll have some coil stock left over. With very short antennas, this can be used as a "loading" coil. Connect the antenna to one end of the coil and connect the other end to the antenna terminal on the transmatch. Then go through the tune-up procedure. You may have to use a clip lead to short out turns on the coil but you'll find a setup that will permit matching with the transmatch. Again, avoid coming in contact with the series loading coil because very high r.f. voltages can develop in such a setup.

Some beginners may not be aware of it, but a fluorescent lamp or neon bulb will light up when in an r.f. field, if the r.f. voltage is high enough. If you have a fluorescent lamp (a burned out one is OK) the lamp can be laid along the antenna wire where it leaves the transmatch. This makes a good output indicator, showing when power is flowing in the anteuna.

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# **Bridge Break**

### An All-Electronic Break-in System For C.W.

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A by available to only a very few. While many seem to feel that traffic handlers are the only ones who benefit from break-in operation, such is not the case. C.w. operation inherently provides many opportunities for break-in interruption. A full break-in system prevents the station receiver from being disabled for considerable periods of time such as occurs when a manual send/receive switch is used or when the transmitter in use has a long vox delay.

With the "Bridge-Break" system to be described, the key is the only send/receive switch used. When the key is down, receiver audio is blocked from reaching the headphones and a side tone is developed for monitoring purposes. When the key is released, receiver audio output is present at the headphones within a few milliseconds. The operation is entirely electronic with no relays to cause problems with dirty contacts or maladjustment. In addition to my performance criterion for the Bridge-Break system, I desired to avoid any change in receiver wiring as well as to eliminate the necessity of a special low-voltage power supply for the transistors. Although the system shown in Fig. 1 was installed in an old Navy TCS transmitter of WWII vintage, there is no reason why the Bridge-Break system could not be used with other transmitters.

#### Audio Switch

The function of the audio switch is to electronically disconnect the headphones from the receiver's audio output during the times the key is actually making contact. Its effect is to make all the usual receiver noises — loud squeals, thumps, and clicks — during transmission completely inaudible.

 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  comprise a switching circuit known as a Schmitt trigger. Its action may be compared to a spring-loaded, snap-action, double-pole, double-throw toggle switch. Positive voltage at the base of  $Q_2$  acts like a force pressing against the toggle of our switch. With the key up,  $Q_2$  is conducting and  $Q_1$  is cut off. The top or anode end of the diode bridge consisting of  $CR_1$ - $CR_4$ inclusive is connected to a point of positive voltage because  $Q_1$  is drawing no current. The bottom or cathode end of the bridge is connected through  $R_1$  to a considerably less positive point at the collector of  $Q_2$ . This point is at a positive to ground. With  $Q_2$  conducting all four bridge diodes,  $CR_1$ - $CR_4$ , are forward biased and conducting current. In this condition, the bridge allows receiver audio signals to pass from the input to the output side of the bridge and on to the headphones.

When the key is pressed,  $C_1$  discharges through  $CR_6$  with the positive base voltage on  $Q_2$  falling toward zero at a very rapid rate. At some point during this change in  $Q_2$ 's base voltage a critical point will be reached below which  $Q_2$  will suddenly cease conducting. This corresponds in our analogy of the toggle switch to removing the pressure against the switch toggle. Because the emitters of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are connected through a common resistor to ground, a regenerative action takes place that causes  $Q_1$  to quickly conduct. The switching action is extremely fast, in the order of a few microseconds. Since  $Q_2$ 's collector is now at a positive voltage, drive is available to  $Q_1$ 's base through  $R_2$  which maintains the conduction state of  $Q_1$ . With  $Q_1$  conducting and  $Q_2$  cut off, the anode end of the bridge is near ground and the cathode end of the bridge is at about eleven volts positive.  $CR_1$ - $CR_4$  are now back biased. The receiver audio appearing on the input side of the bridge has no path to the output side and is not heard in the headphones.

Because of the rapid-switching capability of the diode bridge, a slight delay must be introduced into the circuit. This delay prevents any receiver noises caused by the trailing edge of the transmitter output waveform from being heard in the headphones.  $R_3$  together with  $C_1$ create a slight time delay in the voltage appearing at the base of  $Q_2$ . If the resistance of  $R_3$  is too low, clicks may be heard. A larger value of resistance for  $R_3$  would extend the disabled time of the bridge unduly, delaying the return of receiver audio to an undesirable extent. A little experimenting with the value of  $R_3$  will quickly determine the optimum value for your particular installation.

One other feature of the audio-switch circuit is worthy of note. The bridge circuit tends to limit or clip high-amplitude audio signals to the headphones. This helps to prevent unwelcome surprises when an extremely loud signal is tuned in.

#### Side-Tone Oscillator

 $Q_3$  is an inexpensive unijunction transistor that functions as a side-tone oscillator to monitor keying. When the key is pressed, a one-kilohertz tone is fed to the headphones at the output side of the diode bridge. The series combination of  $R_4$  and  $C_2$  between the oscillator output and the headphones tends to soften the harshness of

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Fig. 1—Schematic diagram of Bridge-Break circuit. Capacitors with a polarity indication are electrolytic. Resistors are 1/2 watt unless otherwise noted.

C1-C4, inc.—For text reference. CR1-CR4, inc.—1N457. CR5—16-volt zener, 1N4745. CR6—1N277. CR7, CR8—1N4003. CR9—1N457. J1—Coaxial receptacle, BNC type used. Q<sub>1</sub>, Q<sub>2</sub>, Q<sub>4</sub>—2N2714. Q<sub>3</sub>—Unijunction transistor, 2N2646. Q<sub>5</sub>—2N398A. R<sub>1</sub>-R<sub>11</sub>, inc.—For text reference. S<sub>1</sub>—S.p.d.t. applicable, see text. V<sub>1</sub>—6CW4 for 6.3-volt operation, 13CW4 for 12.6-volt operation.

the saw-tooth wave form providing a more pleasing tone.

With the key up,  $Q_4$  is conducting. Current flowing through  $R_5$  lowers  $Q_3$ 's emitter voltage just below the point where oscillations will be maintained. Too large a change in  $Q_3$ 's emitter voltage could produce a slight d.c. click. Since the characteristics of unijunction transistors

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vary somewhat, some adjustment of the value of  $R_5$  may be in order. First ground the base of  $Q_4$  allowing the unijunction oscillator to run continuously. If the tone obtained is too high or too low for your personal taste, change the value of  $R_6$ . A higher value of resistance for  $R_6$  will lower the pitch; a smaller resistor for  $R_6$  will increase the frequency of oscillation. Once the

oscillation frequency has been established, unground the base of  $Q_4$  and install the highest value of resistance for  $R_5$  that causes the oscillation to cease.

#### Bias Keyer

 $Q_5$  is a high-voltage p-n-p transistor that is capable of switching voltages as high as -105volts. Under key-up conditions,  $Q_5$ 's baseemitter junction is back biased with  $CR_9$  limiting this bias to about +0.6 volt.  $Q_5$  draws no collector current in this state. A minus 100 volts is applied to the final amplifier grids and about -50 volts is placed on the oscillator grid. With the voltages and resistances shown,  $CR_7$  in the t.r. circuit is back biased to about -45 volts.

When a t.r. switch is used, it is highly desirable to bias the final amplifier past cut off when not actually transmitting. Unless this is done, the final amplifier may generate diode noise that can mask weaker signals in the receiver. Unless the screen voltage on tetrodes is held constant, biasing the tubes to cut off becomes a rather difficult problem. To eliminate this condition, 1 connected the screens of the final amplifier in my TCS to a regulated 225-volt supply which is used to power the exciter section of the transmitter.

The -190 volts applied to the bias keyer circuit is borrowed from a string of voltageregulator tubes in my power supply. A somewhat higher or lower available negative voltage may be used by adjusting the values of  $R_7$  and  $R_9$ .  $R_7$  and  $R_9$  must be chosen so that under key-up conditions the maximum allowable collector voltage of -105 volts on  $Q_5$  is not exceeded.

When the key is pressed, back bias is removed from  $Q_5$ , and  $Q_5$  is driven into heavy conduction by the base current flowing through  $R_8$ . With  $Q_5$ conducting, blocking bias to the oscillator and final amplifier is removed. The oscillator and tinal amplifier then operate at their normal gridleak bias conditions. There is no problem with grid current damaging  $Q_5$  as it is rated at 200 ma. when driven into saturation.

To key the oscillator, a 12A6 tube in the TCS transmitter, blocking bias is applied to the control grid through  $CR_8$  and  $R_{10}$ . The oscillator is turned on to spot the transmitter frequency by switching the cathode of  $CR_8$  to ground with  $S_1$  to remove the blocking bias. The oscillator-selector switch in the TCS was rewired to be used for  $S_1$ . In the TCS,  $R_{10}$  and  $CR_8$  are mounted on a small terminal strip near the oscillator with one end of  $R_{10}$  being wired directly to the oscillator tube grid connection.

With the 12A6 buffer operating in the TCS the spotting signal was much too strong. Another section of the TCS oscillator-selector switch is used to remove screen voltage from the 12A6 during the spotting operation. The 12A6 buffer is not keyed with bias but is protected from drawing excessive current during key-up conditions by its original 1500-ohm cathode resistor.

In installations where an existing t.r. switch may be used rather than the built-in unit described below, a single 100K-ohm resistor from the -190-volt supply to the collector of  $Q_5$  and another from  $Q_5$ 's collector to ground will suffice as a voltage divider for  $Q_5$ .

#### T. R. Switch

 $V_1$  is operating as a cathode follower. The grid connects to the final-amplifier end of the pi network through  $C_3$  and a special capacitor  $C_4$  which is made from a short piece of RG-58/U.  $CR_7$ is normally back biased as determined by the voltage divider consisting of  $R_9$  and  $R_{11}$ . While  $CR_7$  does have some junction capacitance, even though back biased, the capacitive division of the received signal by  $C_4$  and the capacitance of  $CR_7$  seems to be adequately compensated for by the voltage step-up of the pi network and the power gain of  $V_1$ . Output signals from the t.r. switch are fed to the receiver via  $J_1$ .

When the key is closed  $CR_7$ 's back bias is removed by the bias-keyer transistor,  $Q_5$ .  $CR_7$ then becomes forward biased by current flowing through  $R_{11}$ . This reduces  $CR_7$ 's impedance considerably, effectively shorting out the input terminal of the t.r. switch. Power-rectifier diodes like the 1N4003 used for  $CR_7$  have relatively slow-switching times, and at r.f. act more like a low-impedance lump when forward biased because their rectification efficiency is so low. Other small silicon rectifier diodes with a p.i.v. rating of 200 volts or greater can be used for  $CR_7$ .

Since the transmitter's pi-network tank circuit is between the antenna and the input to the t.r. switch, several advantages are realized. By listening to signals with the receiver and tuning the transmitter plate-tuning capacitor back and forth, final-amplifier tank-circuit resonance can be quickly verified. By peaking received signals in the manner, near the desired operating frequency, the transmitter's output controls will require a minimum of further adjustment. While no TVI has been noted from the t.r. switch, if any harmonics are generated they must find their way to the antenna through the pi network which offers them considerable attenuation.

The t.r. switch has been successfully used on all bands from 160 through 15 meters with no degradation noted on numerous weak signals that have been logged. Rigs using the more popular 6.3-volt tubes would, of course, substitute a 6CW4 for  $V_1$  for the 13CW4 tube used in the author's 12.6-volt surplus unit.

#### **Power Supply**

The positive sixteen volts required for the low-voltage bus is obtained from the transmitter's 225-volt regulated power supply through  $R_{12}$ . This avoids the necessity of a separate lowvoltage supply since the current requirement is only about tifteen milliamperes and plenty of well-filtered B + was available. A sixteen-volt Zener diode,  $CR_5$ , is connected from the plus sixteen-volt bus to ground primarily to protect the semiconductors from excessive voltages. Of course, any other arrangement supplying the (Continued on page 52)

# A Transmitting Converter for 50 MHz.

C.W. or Sideband on Six with Your H.F. Exciter

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ORE and more v.h.f. enthusiasts are turning to s.s.b. as a means for extending their communications range over that achieved with a.m. Many operators already have an h.f. band s.s.b. transmitter in the station lineup. A practical solution to getting on v.h.f. s.s.b. is to build a transmitting converter and use the h.f. s.s.b. transmitter as the heart of the system. Because a Heath HX-10 s.s.b. transmitter was in use at WSPMK, this approach was taken to get on 6- and 2-meter s.s.b. The equipment described has seen daily use for more than a year. It has provided reliable service, with a minimum amount of normal maintenance. Similar units are shown in the first photograph: one for 50 and one for 144 MHz. The 2-meter model will be described in a subsequent issue.

#### The Circuit

Referring to Fig. 1, the triode section of  $V_{1A}$  is used as an overtone oscillator on 22 MHz. It operates at low power and has good frequency stability. Output from the oscillator is amplified by the remaining half of the 6EA8, which operates at a low power level by virtue of rather high values of series resistance in the plate and screen leads. The values were chosen experimentally to provide only enough 22-MHz. drive to excite the mixer,  $V_2$ . Too much drive results in objectionable intermodulation distortion in the mixer, a common cause of poor signal quality in s.s.b. transmitters. Bandpass coupling is used between the mixer and the driver,  $V_3$ , to help reduce spurious responses from the 12BY7A. S.s.b. or c.w. energy is supplied to the mixer cathode across a 100-ohm resistor which provides cathode bias for  $V_2$  while serving as a load for the s.s.b. exciter, connected to  $J_1$ .

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This transmitting converter provides up to 120 watts p.e.p. input for operation in the 6-meter band. It can take its driving signal from any lowpower 28-MHz. c.w. or s.s.b. exciter, and requires less than 5 watts of excitation to develop full input power. Output from the transmitting converter is fed directly into the antenna system, or it can be used to drive a high-power linear amplifier.

Front view of the transmitting converter. The equipment described in this article is seen at the left. Its mate, the 2-meter version at the right, will be covered in a later edition of QST.

The driver stage,  $V_3$ , is operated Class AB and gets its bias from a 120-ohm cathode resistor. It is neutralized by means of  $C_1$ , a  $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch length of No. 16 wire. This is soldered to the low side of  $L_4$ , and its free end is brought through a hole in the chassis and placed adjacent to the tube envelope, parallel to its plate. Neutralization is adjusted by moving the wire to or from the tube, as needed, until stability is achieved. A metal shield divides the plate side of the driver from its input tuned circuit, and aids in stabilizing the stage.

Link coupling,  $L_6$  and  $L_7$ , is used between the driver and the grid circuit of the final amplifier. Neutralization is again used ( $C_4$  and  $C_5$ ) to assure good stability.  $C_4$  and  $C_5$  are 3-inch lengths of stiff wire, cross-connected as indicated in Fig. 1. The stubs are placed adjacent to the 6146B tube envelopes, using the technique described for the driver. Parasitic chokes  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$  are installed at the plate terminals of  $V_4$  and  $V_5$  as a further measure of assurance against spurious output. All power leads going into the driver-plate/p.a.grid compartment are decoupled by means of feedthrough capacitors.

#### **Construction Hints**

An  $8 \times 12 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$ -inch steel chassis is used as a foundation for this equipment. An aluminum chassis could have been used, and it is quite likely that a much smaller chassis would have served, had it been available at the time the project was started.

A homemade panel, measuring 8 by 10 inches, was cut from <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-inch thick aluminum stock and mounted on the front end of the chassis. Another plate of the same dimensions was attached to the

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Fig. 1—Schematic of the 6-meter transmitting converter. Fixed-value capacitors are disk ceramic. FT = Feedthrough type. Fixed-value resistors are  $\frac{1}{2}$ -watt composition unless noted differently.

B<sub>1</sub>—Medium- or high-speed cooling fan.

- C1, C4, C5-Neutralization capacitors (see text).
- C<sub>2</sub>—20-pf. miniature variable (E.F. Johnson 160-110 suitable).
- C<sub>3</sub>, C<sub>6</sub>—25-pf.-per-section butterfly (E.F. Johnson 167-22 suitable).

rear apron of the chassis for use as a back. Perforated aluminum was then formed as a cover for the assembly. It is attached to the sides of the chassis by means of sheet-metal screws. An aluminum bottom plate is used on the chassis to help confine the r.f. and to prevent accidental contact with the operating voltages of the unit.

 $V_1$ ,  $V_2$ , and the grid circuit of  $V_3$  are on one side of the bottom of the chassis, and are isolated from the plate circuit of  $V_3$ , and the grid circuit of the p.a. stage, by means of a flashing-copper divider. The feedthrough capacitors for powerlead decoupling are mounted on the copper partition.

All resistors and capacitor leads are kept as short as practical, and ground connections are made directly to the chassis. Keep all ground leads short. Dress all power leads along the chassis and away from the r.f. leads of the equipment. The signal-carrying leads should be as short and direct as the builder can make them, keeping the input and output circuits of each stage as well isolated from one another as practical.

The bandpass-coupling circuit in the mixer plate uses two 3%-inch diameter slug-tuned coil C7-50-pf. miniature variable (E.F. Johnson 148-4 suitable).

- 11-Panel indicator, No. 47 lamp.
- J1-Phono jack.

J<sub>2</sub>—BNC-style chassis connector.

J<sub>3</sub>—8-circuit male chassis-mount connector.

forms, mounted with their centers 1 inch apart.  $L_5$  and  $L_8$  are wound on short pieces of  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch plastic rod. Air-wound coils can be substituted if the builder wishes. The coils used by the author are doped with TV high-voltage cement so that the turns will stay in place. A suitable length of Miniductor coil stock could also be used at  $L_5$  and  $L_8$ .  $L_8$  is supported from the grid pins of the 6146B sockets by its leads.

The plate circuit of the output stage is above the chassis.  $L_9$  is supported by the stator posts of  $C_6$ , which is mounted on the front panel. Its rotor terminal is grounded to the chassis by means of  $\frac{3}{6}$ -inch wide copper strap.  $L_{10}$  is supported by a 1-inch high ceramic cone insulator, and by the stator post of  $C_7$ . The loading capacitor,  $C_7$ , is mounted at right angles to  $C_6$  on a small aluminum L bracket. It is adjusted from outside the case, through one of the holes in the cover.  $RFC_2$ is mounted between the center tap on  $L_9$  and a 0.001-µf. feedthrough capacitor terminal. The latter is used to bring the plate voltage through the chassis. A high-speed cooling fan blows an air stream across the 6146Bs to help assure longer tube life.



- L<sub>1</sub>, L<sub>2</sub>—1.7- to 2.7-μh. adjustable inductor (J.W. Miller 4503).
- L<sub>3</sub>, L<sub>4</sub>—0.99- to 1.5-µh. adjustable inductor (J.W. Miller 4403).
- L<sub>5</sub>—8 turns No. 16, ½-inch diam., 2 inches long, center tapped (see text).
- Le, L7-2 turns insulated hookup wire; Le over B-plus end of  $L_5$ ,  $L_7$  over center of  $L_8$ .
- Lu—10 turns No. 18 enam., center-tapped, ½-inch diam., ¾-inch long, on ceramic form.

#### Tune-Up and Operation

The operating voltages for this unit can be taken from the h.f. s.s.b. rig if desired, or a separate power supply can be built for this purpose. In the writer's installation, the voltages are taken from the HX-10. The HX-10's metering system is used also, permitting monitoring of the plate current for  $V_4$  and  $V_5$ , and for reading relative r.f. output from the transmitting converter. Details are not given here since most builders will no doubt prefer to install a 300-ma. d.c. meter in the plate line to the 6146s, making it a permanent part of the assembly. Relative r.f. output can be observed on the station s.w.r. bridge.

Initial adjustments to the equipment should be made with the operating voltages removed from  $V_3$ ,  $V_4$ , and  $V_5$ . This will prevent damage to those tubes should instability be present. Start by coupling a wavemeter to  $L_1$  and tuning its slug until the crystal oscillates, as indicated by the wavemeter. Turn the slug of  $L_1$  two or three additional revolutions outward (slug moving out of coil). This will help the oscillator to start readily each time. Next, adjust  $L_2$  for peak re-

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L<sub>3</sub>—8 turns No. 12, ¼-inch diam., 3 inches long, centertapped.

- L10-2 turns No. 16 enam., 1/2-inch diam. Insert in center of L9 (see photo).
- RFC<sub>1</sub>, RFC<sub>2</sub>—8.2-μh. r.f. choke (Millen 34300-8.2 or equivalent).
- Y1-22-MHz. overtone crystal (International Crystal Co.).
- Z<sub>1</sub>, Z<sub>2</sub>--Parasitic suppressor. 5 turns No. 18 wire over body of 56-ohm, 1-watt carbon resistor.

sponse, still using the wavemeter.

It will be necessary to reduce the output from the 28-MHz. s.s.b. exciter before conducting the remainder of the tests. This can best be done by adding a toggle switch to the rear apron of the exciter and wiring it in series with the screen supply to the amplifier stage of the exciter. Plenty of drive will be available from most exciters, with screen voltage removed in this way. For h.f. operation, merely restore the screen voltage. Alternatively, the output stage of the exciter can be disabled and link coupling used between the exciter's driver stage and  $J_1$  of the transmitting converter. No more than 5 watts of c.w. or s.s.b. drive will be needed, and quite likely the actual driving power will be on the order of 2 to 3 watts.

The next step is to apply drive at  $J_1$  and adjust  $L_3$  and  $L_4$  for peak output at 50 MHz., still using a wavemeter as an indicator. After this has been done, apply operating voltage to  $V_3$  and tune its output tank for peak indication on the wavemeter, also at 50 MHz. If output on frequencies other than 50 MHz. is evident when using the wavemeter (check from 25 to at least 150 MHz.), check for instability in the driver



Looking at the top side of the chassis, the amplifier section is at the upper left, with the cooling fan below.  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$ , and  $V_3$  are in a row along the right side of the chassis.

stage, adjusting  $C_1$  closer to or farther away from the tube envelope for optimum neutralization.

Drive and operating voltages can next be applied to the 6146Bs. A 50-ohm dummy load should be connected to  $J_2$  during this test. A power-output indicator can be installed between  $J_2$  and the dummy to facilitate tuning for maximum r.f. output. Assuming that a plate-current meter is in the 600-volt line to the 6146B plates, apply sufficient carrier from the 28-MHz. exciter to cause a rise in plate current from the resting value --- approximately 50 ma. --- to approximately 75 ma. Tune  $C_3$  for maximum indicated plate current, then tune  $C_6$  for a dip in plate current, and for maximum output. Next, adjust  $L_2$ ,  $L_3$ ,  $L_4$  and  $C_2$  for maximum drive to the 6146Bs. As  $C_6$  is tuned through its range there should be no sudden changes in p.a. plate current; just the normal dip, if the amplifier is stable. If instability is noted, adjust  $C_4$  and  $C_5$ (a little at a time) until the amplifier is neutralized. It may be necessary to repeak  $C_3$  after the foregoing adjustments.

 $C_7$  is the loading capacitor. It should be adjusted so that the plate-current dip of the amplitier is rather broad, indicating tight coupling to the load. This condition is mandatory if a high-quality s.s.b. signal is to be had. Once the initial tune-up is completed, the 28-MHz. drive can be increased until the plate current (at dip) is 200 ma., the correct value for 120 watts c.w. input. During s.s.b. operation the plate current should not be allowed to exceed this value. Best linearity will be obtained only if the s.s.b. drive is held below the point where the 6146Bs begin to draw grid current. For lower-power operation, merely reduce the level of drive from the 28-MHz. exciter. A.m. operation is possible with this equipment, if the 28-MHz. exciter has a.m. capability. During a.m. operation do not let the plate current of the 6146Bs exceed approximately 75 to 100 ma. if the maximum AB<sub>1</sub> ratings are to be observed. Too much plate current will damage the tubes. Provisions should be made externally to cut off the screen voltages from  $V_3$ ,  $V_4$  and  $V_5$  during receive. A relay can be used for this purpose.

#### Results

This equipment has been very effective in working DX on s.s.b. and c.w. For local operation each evening, often in the a.m. mode, the power level is kept down to less than 10 watts input an aid to TVI reduction which is quite worth while. No TVI other than fundamental overloading has been experienced. This type of TVI can be encountered on the lower TV channels with any 6-meter rig. A 6-meter Transmatch is used between the transmitter and the feed line to help reduce harmonics and other spurious radiation from the antenna. Acknowledgement is given here to WASCOT for his help in designing and testing this equipment.



Looking into the bottom of the chassis,  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$ ,  $V_3$ , and their associated circuits are on the left side of the copper shield which divides the chassis. The plate circuit of the driver,  $V_3$ , upper center, and the grid circuit of the amplifier, right, are on the same side of the partition.


# A C.W. Clipper-Filter Using FETs

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The photographs and drawings show a c.w. clipper-filter that uses N-chandel FETs. Although this device was designed primarily as an experiment in the use of solid-state circuits, it is quite practical, particularly when used with the present-day transceiver that offers only 2500-Hz. selectivity for c.w. work. Having a bandwidth of about 90 Hz. at 10 db. down and approximately 450 Hz. at 40 db. down (see Fig. 2), the gadget does a very nice job even with receivers having 500-Hz. selectivity. There is no ringing or instability evident in the elipper-filter, and the power drain from a self-contained 22½-volt battery is only about 7 ma.

#### **Circuit Details**

The circuit is based on time-proven vacuumtube designs described in QST in recent years by Grammer,<sup>1</sup> Campbell<sup>2</sup> and Albert.<sup>3</sup> Referring to Fig. 1,  $CR_1$  and  $CR_2$  are positive and negative series diode limiters. Positive voltage is applied to the anodes of  $CR_1$  and  $CR_2$ , forward biasing the diodes into conduction. Positive pulses above the bias level set by  $R_1$  are clipped by  $CR_1$ , and negative pulses by  $CR_2$ .

 $Q_1$  through  $Q_4$  are audio amplifiers. To avoid possible overload, the source resistors of  $Q_1$ and  $Q_2$  are not bypassed. Additional overload protection is provided by an a.l.c. circuit between the drain lead of  $Q_4$  and the cathode of  $CR_2$ . A

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<sup>1</sup>Grammer, "An Accessory for C.W. Reception," *QST*, July, 1950, p. 11. <sup>2</sup>Campbell, "Modernizing the C.W. Clipper-Filter,"

<sup>2</sup>Campbell, "Modernizing the C.W. Clipper-Filter," QST, December, 1956, p. 36. <sup>3</sup> Albert, "Greater Selectivity with the C.W. Clipper-

<sup>3</sup> Albert, "Greater Selectivity with the C.W. Clipper-Filter," QST, September, 1957, p. 24.



Front view of the clipper-filter. From left to right,  $J_1$  and  $S_1$  are at the top and  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are at the bottom.

portion of the signal developed across the primary of  $T_4$  is rectified by  $CR_3$ , and the resulting d.c. voltage is used to reverse bias  $CR_2$ .

Between each of the amplifiers is a series resonant circuit (e.g.,  $L_1C_1C_2$  between  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ ) that peaks at about 950 Hz., and a parallel resonant circuit (e.g.,  $L_1C_1$  between  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ ) that presents an audio notch at approximately 1800 Hz.

 $T_4$  matches the collector impedance of  $Q_4$  to high impedance (2000 ohms or more) headphones.

#### Construction

The c.w. elipper-filter was constructed in a  $4 \times 5 \times 6$ -inch Minibox.  $L_1$ ,  $L_2$  and  $L_3$  were made from 7-hy. filter chokes by removing the frame and "I" laminations (bar) from each inductor. Because the resulting inductances were not identical, slightly different values of capacitance were used with each choke. The tuned circuits were adjusted before assembly and then checked and repeaked where necessary by slight alteration of capacitor values. Very little repeaking was actually required. As measured the chokes used ranged in value from 1.54 to 1.69 hy., and each inductor had a Q of 14.  $C_1$ ,  $C_3$  and  $C_5$  measured from 0.0047 to 0.0069  $\mu$ f.

As shown in the photographs, perforated circuit board was used to support the parts. A metal chassis should not be used because it will adversely affect the Q of the chokes, resulting in a loss of gain and selectivity.

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Fig. 1—Schematic diagram of the clipper-filter. Capacitance is in μf. Capacitors marked with polarity are electrolytic; all others are Mylar or silver mica. Resistance is in ohms, K = 1000. Resistors are ½-watt composition.



View of the clipper-filter showing the battery and main circuit board.



Side view of the clipper-filter showing L<sub>1</sub>, L<sub>2</sub> and L<sub>3</sub> sandwiched between strips of perforated board.

BT1-221/2-volt battery (Burgess XX15).

- C1-C6, inc.—See text.
- CR1, CR2, CR3-Small signal silicon diode (1N914).
- L1, L2, L3—7-hy. 50-ma. filter choke modified as described in text (Knight, Allied 54 F 1408).
- Q1-Q4, inc.--N-channel FET, TIS14 used, 2N3819 or MPF102 suitable.

#### Testing and Use

If suitable test equipment is available for measuring inductance and capacitance, it's no chore to resonate the series-tuned circuit between each stage at 950 Hz. and to resonate the paralleltuned circuit between each stage at 1800 Hz. However, if the test gear cannot be obtained, it is best to build the clipper-filter using the minimum capacitance value for each range mentioned previously and then add small amounts of capacitance as necessary until the desired band-pass curve is obtained. Proceed as follows:

So that no clipping occurs, set the arm of  $R_1$ at maximum resistance above ground. Connect the output of an audio generator to  $P_1$  and connect an oscilloscope or an a.c. v.t.v.m. across J1. Use a 2200-ohm, 1/2-watt composition resistor as the output load for  $T_4$ . Vary the frequency of the audio generator from 500 to 2000 Hz. while making a graph of the output voltage. If necessary, change  $C_1$  through  $C_6$  to obtain the desired peak, notch and bandpass. For example, if the peak frequency is too high, increase  $C_1$ ,  $C_3$  or  $C_5$  or any combination of these capacitors as necessary. If the notch frequency is too high, increase  $C_2$ ,  $C_4$  or  $C_6$  or any combination of these capacitors as necessary. Be careful not to overload the clipper-filter or the gadget will appear to have a very broad bandpass.

To use the clipper-filter, set  $R_1$  as mentioned above. Insert  $P_1$  in the receiver headphone jack, and plug high impedance (2000 ohms or more) headphones in  $J_1$ . Then adjust  $R_2$  so that there is no apparent difference in the strength of a c.w. signal with the unit switched in or out. Finally set  $R_1$  at the desired clipping level.

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R1-10,000-ohm control, linear taper.

- R<sub>2</sub>—5-megohm control, audio taper.
- T1, T2, T3-Output transformer, 2000-ohm primary to 10,000-ohm secondary (Lafayette 99 T 6101).
  T4-Driver transformer, 10,000-ohm primary to 2000ohm secondary (Lafayette 99 T 6124).

Fig. 2-Selectivity curve of the clipper-filter.



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# Automatic Letter Spacing for ICKEY

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Here is the modification promised in the original ICKEY article to make the keyer generate perfectly-timed spaces between letters. It prevents starting a letter too soon after the completion of the preceding one.

AFTER using the original ICKEY<sup>1</sup> for several months, I still had the feeling that I had a tendency to run letters together, and after a little experimentation, the problem was solved in the following way.

Tackling the logic first, these facts were determined: If both memories become clear during a character and do not become set during the following code element (one code element is the length of a dot — that is, the interval between two successive pulses from the time base) this condition means the end of a letter. Further, to ensure proper spacing (three code elements) between letters it is only necessary to prevent generation of a new character during the second and the beginning of the third element following the last dot or dash sent. A memory input before this time indicates the continuation of a letter; an input after this time will have at least a threeelement space anyway. The circuit in Fig. 1 prevents the memory from starting a new output from the keyer during the times mentioned, but does not prevent the memory from being set.

The circuit uses only two additional parts one MC724P quad tvo-input gate and one \*Hillsdale Drive R.F.D. 1. Rockville, Conn. 06066.

(Note charge of address from that given in November QST.) Van Cleet, "ICKEY — An Integrated-Circuit Keyer with Dot and Dash Memories," QST, November, 1968.

MC790P dual JK flip-flop - both Motorola 1Cs. The two flip-flops are connected to form a counter circuit which is stepped by pulses from the time base applied to input 2 of COUNT 1. Starting with COUNT 1 reset (Q output low), setting either memory puts a high on an input to MEM SET, causing its output to be low. This low is applied to pin 7 of x and, together with the low on pin 6, causes the output of x to go high, keeping both COUNT 1 and COUNT 2 reset until both memories become reset. Each time both memories become reset, the output of x becomes low and the next pulse from the time base sets COUNT 1. When COUNT 1 is set its Q output becomes high, and this high does two things. At pin 6 of x, it prevents further setting of the memories from affecting the counter until the letter-spacing period is over. At pin 12 of v the high prevents the state of either memory from activating DOT GEN (in Fig. 1, page 29, November 1968 QST) until the letter-spacing period is over. The second time-base pulse to occur, after both memories have become reset, resets coung 1 and sets COUNT 2. This action of the counter occurs just after the time-base pulse. When COUNT 1 resets, it removes the high on input 6 of x which, in turn, removes the memory lockout at y and also allows x to reset COUNT 2 and hold both COUNT 1 and COUNT 2 reset until both memories become clear again. Fig. 2 illustrates the conditions on the various leads in the case where the letters "i" and "e" are sent in succession, with the "e" being put into the memory too soon after the "i."

The circuit may be installed in the original ICKEY by making the connections shown in Fig. 1. Be sure to supply plus 3.6 volts and ground to the new ICs as indicated. The power supply



Fig. 1—Circuit diagram of the automatic letter spacing for ICKEY. COUNT 1 and COUNT 2 are contained in a Motorola MC790P dual JK flip-flop; the four gates are sections of an MC724P quad two-input gate. External connections are made to the designated points in the original ICKEY diagram in November QST



Fig. 2—Timing sequence for the spacing feature, for the case where a second letter ("E") is inserted in the second code element (space) following the completion of an "I."



#### February 1944

... Speaking of WERS, K. B. Warner pleads for a continuing interest and activity. Not that the work is slackening off, but he fears that the frequencies used may become easy prey if not used. You should read his description of the shack at which he is chief operator. Really posh, air conditioned and everything. Used to be a ladies powder room for a filling station. He figures there is still the possibility of sneak air attack. Also points out that local disasters can take place at any time.

. . . Clinton B. DeSoto, W1CBD, has another of his essays, this time on the Army Airways Communications System. Plenty of photos, as usual, of stations in far-flung regions all over the world to help guide our planes on their missions. There is very close liaison between the system and the Air Force Weather Wing. The accuracy and timing of the weather reports might make the difference between the arrival of fifty bombers at destination and disaster.

. . . Wave propagation on the v.h.f. as influenced by the topography of the intervening terrain is lengthily discussed by Hollis M. French, WIJLK. There is a lot of useful information in this article and, of course, it is just as germane today as it was then. He has a lot of dope supplied by the U.S. Geological Survey, supplemented by his own experiences in this region.

. . . Sgt. Peter K. Onnigan, W6QUE, describes the equipment and systems used by commercial airlines for both communication and navigation. The wellknown A-N system of radio range beacons is thoroughly discussed. Even blind landing devices are taken up.

... A WERS handie talkie of very advanced design is nicely described by Frederick A. Long, ex-W8NE. This equipment is designed for "ou the spot" work. Cost? \$1538.77! It must be a dandy, at that. Works over 10-12 miles repeatedly with R9 signals. He breaks down the cost and puts in such items as 40 hours at \$50.00 per hour! Actually the total parts cost \$19.58. Huh!

... Interested in directivity control for low frequencies? B. Penners, W7HLV, applies the basic principles which have been used for years by broadshown in the November QST article is able to handle the additional drain of the new ICs with no strain. Remove the original connection between pin 5 of DOT KEY and pin 1 of DOT GEN and insert the connections to pin 13 of x and pin 3 of INV as shown.

For those with sharp eyes who spotted six ICs in the original photograph in QST instead of the five indicated in the schematic — it's all legal, honest! The MC790P was temporarily out of stock when the keyer was built, so two MC725P single JK flip-flops were substituted. The keyer now has the MC790P installed in it, and the blank space left was used for one of the spacing ICs.

casters for giving predetermined horizontal patterns of radiation. All this involves the use of spaced, driven elements. The necessary theory and circuits are given.

... Another true story of "Hams in Combat." How an advance radio station was set up on Georgia Beach, under fire and other difficulties, is well told by Capt. F. C. Beardsley, W4DEN, who was there. ... The experiences abroad with the Civilian Technical Corps are related by J. H. Fulton, W7IKF. While perhaps not as dramatic an experience as Capt. Beardsley's, this is interesting and informative. — WIANA



This is Alan Dalton, K1YZK and his seeing-eye dog Ellen. Alan, who was blinded in a 1961 dynamite blast, is active from his own shack and also serves as a Civil Defense operator for South Burlington, Vt.

# A Novel Antenna For 80 and 40 Meters

#### BY NEIL E. HANDEL,\* WIIR

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F you are like me and you don't want to be limited to operating just a couple of bands or only certain segments of the bands, here's an antenna that may fulfill your needs. In my case, a three-element, three-band beam takes care of the higher frequency bands, 20, 15, and 10 meters. The question was how to operate 80 and 40 meters on both phone and c.w. without cluttering the yard with several antennas. A single dipole works well over the entire 40-meter band but the 80-meter band is much too wide to allow good operation from 3.5 to 4.0 MHz. without either severe compromises or involved tuning arrangements. In addition, all of my equipment is designed for operation with 52ohm coaxial cable and hence it is convenient to have the low-band antenna use this impedance cable as a feed line.

An antenna system for 80 and 40 meters which has served me well for over a year is shown in Fig. 1. It is a variety of multiband dipole with relay-switched center loading of an 80-meter dipole which permits the resonant frequency of the antenna to be changed from 3.9 MHz. to about 3.5 MHz. The 40-meter dipole is conventional in length. The 80- and 40-meter dipoles are spaced apart about six inches by using wood-dowel rods that have been simmered in paraffin wax for about fifteen minutes for weatherproofing purposes. Each end of the 40-meterantenna attaches to an insulator which is guyed back to the 80-meter antenna by a short piece of wire. Be sure to wrap this guy tightly around the 80meter antenna wire so that it will not slip. The two wires may be soldered if desired to insure that the connection stays put.

The loading coils  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  can be made from either No. 10 or No. 12 copper wire or any other \*56 Carroll Drive, Foxboro, Mass. 02035.

TABLE I							
Frequency MHz.	S.W.R.	Loading Coils					
3.5	1.0	IN					
3.6	1.8	IN					
3.7	1.9	OUT					
3.8	1.25	OUT					
3.9	1.05	OUT					
4.0	1.75	OUT					
7.0	1.2	IN					
7.1	1.8	IN					
7.2	1.05	OUT					
7.3	1.35	OUT					

suitable conductor that will be self supporting.  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  can be mounted on a board at the center support for the antenna.  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  are left exposed to the weather. However, the relay  $K_1$ , which is used to short out the loading coils, must be weatherproofed. I accomplished this by placing  $K_1$  inside a plastic food container which is mounted directly to the board used to support  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ . Drill two  $\frac{1}{28}$ -inch holes in the side of the food container that will face the ground when the antenna is crected. These holes will serve as drain holes. These containers are available for about 60 cents in any dime store.

Relay  $K_1$  is a double-pole, single-throw relay, preferably with a 115-volt a.c. field coil and contacts that are at least  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ -inch diameter and/or better yet  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ -inch diameter. An antenna-type relay is suitable. The leads from the relay to the loading coils should be at least No. 14 wire and should be kept as short as possible; they should not (Continued on page 48)



# More Twoer Changes

#### BY DOUG DEMAW,\* WICER

If the changes are continually modifying home-built and commercial equipment for one reason or another. This could be called progress, if the changes are for the better, or inquisitiveness, if the changes are made for experimental reasons. Whatever the motive, some changes do offer greater operating convenience and effectiveness. The changes described here were carried out for the foregoing reasons, and to secure better selectivity from the simple superregenerative detector that is used in the Twoer. Satisfactory results were obtained, and as a bonus the *output* from this transmitter increased from approximately 0.8 watt to 1.2 watts, indicating an improvement in efficiency.

#### **Transmitter Changes**

Some Heath Twoer and Sixer modifications were described in an earlier issue of  $QST.^{1}$  Before going ahead with the changes shown here, the builder may wish to make some of the modifications described earlier. Actually, these changes are adaptations of those described in the previous article. In this instance the previously-added loading (or coupling) control was accessible through the side of the Twoer by means of a screwdriver. The same was true of the plate tuning capacitor. In the present modification, miniature variable capacitors,  $C_{16}$  and  $C_{17}$  of Fig. 1B, replace the slotted trimmers and are made accessible from the front panel of the equipment as shown in the photo.  $C_{16}$  has its rotor grounded. To prevent accidental short circuiting of the plate B plus to ground,  $C_{16}$  is isolated by a 680-pf. silver mica capacitor. This step was considered necessary because of the extremely close plate spacing of  $C_{16}$ .

The button bypass,  $C_{15}$ , has been relocated near the function switch (see photo) to provide room for  $C_{16}$  and  $C_{17}$  behind the front panel. A new coil was wound for  $L_4$ , using large-diameter wire in an effort to improve the Q of the coil. The new coil is installed parallel to the front edge of the chassis. It is mounted between pin 9 of  $V_{4B}$  and the relocated  $C_{15}$ . A link,  $L_5$ , is in-

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<sup>t</sup> McCoy, "Some Useful Modifications for the Sixer and Twoer," QST, May, 1968.



The new plate tuning and loading controls are located at the lower right of the photo. Decals have been added for identification. A smaller bar knob has been installed on the function switch to make rcom for the two new controls. The meter, potentiometer, and outboard crystal socket at the right-center of the panel are additions which were described in an earlier issue of QST.

serted part way into the B-plus end of  $L_4$  and is tuned by  $C_{17}$ . When the transmitter is looking into a nonreactive 50-ohm load,  $C_{17}$  will be set near midrange, and  $L_5$  will be approximately half way into  $L_4$ .  $L_4$  should be adjusted so that a definite peak in output is noted when  $C_{17}$  is tuned; the peak should not occur at either minimum or maximum capacitance. Once the right amount of coupling is determined, a drop of glue can be added to  $L_5$  to hold it in place. A piece of lacing cord was used to secure L5 to  $L_4$  in this modification. Either method is satisfactory. To make room for the shafts and knobs of  $C_{16}$  and  $C_{17}$ , the lever knob that comes with the Twoer (send-receive switch) must be replaced by a smaller one. A knob from an older National receiver was used in this instance. The small knobs used on  $C_{16}$  and  $C_{17}$  are James Millen A001 units whose 1/8-inch shaft holes have been rebored to fit the 0.188 diameter shafts of the two E. F. Johnson miniature variables used for  $C_{16}$  and  $C_{17}$ . A No. 11 drill proved suitable for this.

Several Twoers have been available to this writer over the past several years. None of them



Two subminiature variables have been added to the front panel (upper right) for plate tuning and loading. The amplifier tank coil is visible between the variable capacitors and the function switch. Its link is tied to the main coil by means of lacing cord once its optimum setting is determined. A new detector grid coil has been wound and is visible directly in front of the receiver tuning capacitor (front center). At the left of the coil is a subminiature variable which is the new trimmer capacitor.





Fig. 1—At A, schematic diagram of the last two stages of the unmodified Twoer transmitter channel. At B, circuit of the modified output stage. See text for discussion of  $L_3$  changes.  $C_{16}$  is an E. F. Johnson 160-104 (1.8 to 8.7-pf.) miniature variable.  $C_{17}$  is an E. F. Johnson 160-130 (3 to 32-pf.) miniature variable.  $L_4$  is 4 turns No. 12 bare copper wire,  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch i.d. x  $\frac{3}{2}$ -inch long.  $L_5$  is two turns of insulated hookup wire,  $\frac{3}{2}$ -inch i.d., inserted into B-plus end of  $L_4$ . See text,



Fig. 2—At A, the unmodified superregenerative detector of the Twoer. At B,  $L_6$  is replaced by a 4-turn,  $\frac{5}{16}$ -inch i.d. air-wound inductor, Its length in  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch. It is made from No. 12 bare copper wire.  $L_7$  is a length of insulated hookup wire which is gimmick-coupled to the ground end of  $L_6$  (see text). R<sub>10</sub> has been changed from 10 megohms to the indicated value, and has been moved from the plate pin of V<sub>3B</sub> to the top of  $L_6$ . C is an E. F. Johnson 160-104 miniature variable (1.8 to 8.7 pf.). C<sub>2R</sub> is the original tuning capacitor.

had a doubler plate coil  $(L_3)$  that would hit resonance at 2 meters. The peak in output always occurred when the slug of  $L_3$  was as far out of the coil as it would go, indicating too much inductance existed. The cure is a simple one; merely break the glue loose on the top two coil turns (near the end of the form farthest from the chassis) and spread them as far apart as possible, bringing the last turn out to the end of the form. The slug can now be readjusted for peak transmitter output. This will occur just as the slug starts to enter the coil.

#### **Receiver** Changes

Of several Twoers tested, the selectivity of the receiver was such that approximately four  $1000-\mu y$ . signals, 30-percent modulated, could be equally spaced across the 4-Mc. tuning range without interfering with one another. Some experiments with a battery-operated solid-state 2-meter superregenerative detector<sup>2</sup> showed that as many as 15 signals of the same type could be placed in the same 4-Mc. spread. By modifying the circuit of Fig. 2A to that of 2B the selectivity improved markedly. The 4-Mc. tuning range now accommodates 12 signals of the same strength and modulation percentage mentioned earlier. The improvement results from a shift in quench frequency with relation to the signal frequency<sup>3</sup> and because  $L_6$  has higher Q.

The changes require that  $R_{10}$  be moved from the plate of the tube to  $L_6$  and that its value be reduced to 1.2 megohms. Originally,  $L_6$  was a slug-tuned coil. It is replaced with an air-wound inductor with a much larger wire diameter. Where  $L_6$  was formerly mounted a miniature variable, C, is installed. C is used as a trimmer for the new circuit.  $C_{27}$  is changed from its original value (22 pf.) to 10 pf. in order to retain the dial calibration of the Twoer across its range.  $C_{24}$  is removed and discarded.

A gimmick-type coupling circuit is added between the r.f. amplifier,  $V_{3A}$ , and the detector,  $V_{3B}$ . In the schematic it is labeled  $L_7$ . Actually, it consists of a short length of insulated hookup wire. One end is soldered to the plate end of  $RFC_2$ ; the remaining end is wrapped three times around the last turn of  $L_6$  (near ground) to provide a small amount of capacitive coupling between the two stages. No other changes are necessary. Trimmer *C* is adjusted to give the desired dial calibration just as was the slug of  $L_6$  in the original circuit. These changes also resulted in a marked reduction in receiver radiation, a common problem with superregenerative detectors.

The improved receiver selectivity should help when band conditions are crowded, especially when the signals are strong. The sensitivity of the receiver is about the same as before the changes were made. A  $0.3-\mu v$ . test signal with 30-percent 1000-c.p.s. modulation was plainly audible at room level with the Twoer's audio gain set at midrange.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> DeMaw, "The Connecticut Bond Box," QST, August, 1968.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Radio Amateur's Handbook, 45th Edition, 1968, page 392.



#### THE TRANSCEIVING CONVERTER FOR 160

Technical Editor, QST:

I would like to offer some comments for your consideration in regard to the 160-meter transceiving converter<sup>1</sup> described in November QST. These thoughts involve reducing the mental arithmetic for the operator and easing the alignment problem.

As described, the selection of the 3.8- to 4-MHz. transceiver range results in the transceiver dial advancing in frequency as the 160-meter frequency decreases, thus presenting an inverted mentalarithmetic problem, especially with all of the subband allocations now imposed on 160. Further, the sideband sense is flipped. That is, upper sideband selection on the transceiver panel results in lower sideband output on 160. Of course, if the operation is a.m. no one cares, but these expensive appliances generally neglect this mode. In addition, if one checks the "birdie" charts (a necessity for converter design) it will be observed that low-order (2nd and 3rd) spurious signals appear to cross at 1933./3 3966.7 MHz. on both transmit and receiver. These may be too low-order to be tolerated. The proposal being offered here eliminates all of these objections and requires changing only one double-tuned circuit.

Suppose that the 5800 kHz. crystal is changed to 5200 kHz. and that the transceiver operating range now is between 7000 and 7200 kHz. Presto, the sidebands transmitted (or received) on 160 have the same sense as those indicated on the transceiver. Further, the direction of frequency progression at 160 is the same as on the transceiver dial. End of mental gymnastics. In addition, there are no in-band spurious frequencies for either transmission or reception. On transmission, the nearest and strongest spurious is a fifth-order "character" at 6933.3/ 1733.3 kHz. with the dial at 7000 kHz. (output 1800 kHz.). Even this one is 40 to 50 db. down and departs from the tuning ranges involved. On receive, a fourth-order birdie is also possible at these same frequencies but the usual 2- or 3-kHz. selectivity of the receiver prevents its observation. This is not true if the transceiver range of 7100 to 7300 kHz. is chosen.

Implementing this modification is simple. Replace the crystal with one at 5200 kHz. and adjust  $L_1$ . However, there might be more margin for coil tolerance if one increased the value of the 100-pf. capacitor by 20 or 30 pf. The bandpass circuit involving  $L_6$  and  $L_7$  will need to be shifted to 7 MHz. However, the design and alignment problems are much easier because the required 200 kHz, bandwidth is a smaller percentage of 7 MHz. than of the former 4 MHz.

On this particular circuit I would also suggest a change in alignment technique to simplify life for

<sup>1</sup>DeMaw. "A Transceiving Converter for 160," QST, November, 1968.

the average ham with minimum test equipment, (Maybe I should have said minimum knowledge, too.) When adjusting the new  $L_7$ , clip a swamping load consisting of a 1000-ohm composition resistor in series with a  $0.005-\mu f$ . capacitor across the opposite coil, L<sub>6</sub>. The input frequency should be 1900 kHz. (dial at 7100 kHz). Adjust L7 for maximum received signal. To adjust L<sub>6</sub>, switch the load to L<sub>7</sub> and again arrive at maximum signal. Remove the load and the bandpass should be reasonably flat from 7000 to 7200 kHz (assuming the design homework was proper). Why does this work unambiguously? The loading of one of two overcoupled circuits lowers the Q and thus reduces the coupling below the critical value. The result is a single response peak rather than two poorly-defined ones, neither of which is at the center of the passband. Normally, the alignment of overcoupled double-tuned circuits, even with a sweep generator, can be troublesome if the two circuit Qs are not equal, or if one gives up and tries to stagger-tune them. Besides, what typical ham has access to a sweep-frequency generator and a scope?

One criticism of my proposal vs. yours is that if the transceiver used is poorly shielded, including this converter, the 7-MHz. transmitter phone leakage appears in the c.w. spectrum for the ham next door. In your choice, the leakage is all in the phone band, but still QRM. In either case, it is essential to have a well-shielded receiving setup or the leak-through signals from 75 or 40 meters make life unbearable at 160.

"160" has been terrific this year and your article should go a long way toward returning it to the popularity it once enjoyed prior to WW II. — Carl W. Brown, WSLUL, 3310 Greencastle Road, Burtonsville, Maryland 20730.

(Editor's Note: The use of a 7-MHz. i.f. was considered at the time the transceiving converter was designed. As W3LUL points out, the higher i.f. would have lessened the chance for image response of any serious magnitude. However, it seemed more prudent to design the equipment for use with a 75meter transceiver since more low-cost units of that type are in service. The selectivity of the 160-meter transceiving converter proved to be quite adequate for use with the 3.5-MHz. i.f. as indicated during lab tests on a spectrum analyzer. If it is practical for the builder to use the higher i.f. (7 MHz.), it is recommended for the reasons pointed out in Carl's letter. The tuning arrangement he suggests for aligning the bandpass circuit is noteworthy. It should greatly simplify initial tuneup.)

#### DIRECT CONVERSION

Technical Editor, QST:

The inexpensive hot-carrier diodes used in "Direct Conversion, A Neglected Technique," QST, November, 1908, are now available from Hewlett Packard as matched pairs and quads. The quads are sold as type 5082-2805 for \$4.40. I have used two of these matched quads in doubly-balanced modulators from 2 through 20 MHz. and in both cases have obtained more than 40-db. carrier suppression with no special effort to achieve better balance than carefully-wound transformers afford. Considering their v.h.f. capability, inexpensive hot-carrier diodes are a definite quality/price breakthrough.

I have been operating a similar homodyne circuit to that described in the above article since Field Day '68. I used three RCA linear integrated circuits in a 40-meter c.w. transceiver version with full break-in. A CA3028A is employed as a VXO autodyne converter ( $\Delta f \cong 10$ kHz.) followed by  $\cong 120$  db. of



W4MW's Three-Element Quad

audio gain in a CA3035. In transmit mode, a CA3032A amplifies the VXO output of the converter to  $\simeq 300$  mw. The squelch capability of the CA3020A is used for keying.

Although the zero-i.f. concept has been around quite a while, current device and circuit technology make it much more appealing. A phasing-type direct-conversion s.s.b. transceiver using unique broadband r.f. phase shifters is my current project in this domain. — Julius M. J. Madey, K2KGJ/ W6FAW, 55 Durham Road, San Anselmo, Calif. 94960.

#### THREE-ELEMENT QUAD

Technical Editor, QST:

Publications on quad antennas that have come into my hands have given measurements for 2- and 4-element jobs but skipped over the 3-element variety. I enclose a photo of one I have built using commercial fiber glass fish poles and crossarms. The boom is two 11-foot lengths of 2-inch diameter flagpole material (aluminum) with a 4-foot length of steel conduit telescoped into the center and fastened with stainless-steel self-tapping screws. The outer ends had 3-inch-long telescoped ring sections inserted so the ends of the boom would not crush. The remaining holes were plugged with plastic caps from detergent bottles. The rest of the mountings are standard in form.

Because of surrounding palm trees and shrubbery, I had to assemble the elements with the boom in a vertical position (already fastened to the tower). The director went on first; then the boom was reversed and the driven element and reflector were installed, followed by the 50-ohm coaxial cable and gamma-matching device. The driven element is spaced  $1\frac{1}{2}$  feet from the mast and, of course, the other two are on the extreme ends of the boom, leaving 9.5 feet between driven element and director. These measurements were not scientific, but an uneducated guess which worked out extremely well as far as my particular location was concerned. This antenna is a monobander for 20 meters, and holes were drilled in the spreaders for distances from the center as given in the quad article in February 1967  $QST^1$ . The spreaders, already fastened to the crossarms, were spread-eagled on the ground, properly spaced, and the wire strung through the holes. For those that haven't been christened make positive that you leave enough slack between tips or you will have bows and arrows. Once up in the air, the unevenness in the wire cannot be noticed, but the crossarms will be in a plane vertical to the ground and esthetically acceptable.

I believe the secret in quad success lies in the tuning, and that should be done preferably at full height or nearly so with the s.w.r. bridge at the antenna, not in the shack. In this location, following the tuning procedure an impedance measurement was taken which indicated very close to 50 ohms. Slight reactances were thereafter corrected with a transmatch and loading was beautiful. The front-to-side ratio is phenomenal and the front-to-back wound up to be similar to the 3-element Yagi previously in use. This was satisfactory to me and I did not bother to tune the director and reflector again, having depended on luck.

The results? I hear and work stations I never worked before without benefit of a linear amplifier, and the pile-up response has gone from about number 40th to from the 3rd to 5th call. Incidentally, the height from ground to boom is 40 feet.

I mention W4SD in thanks, as it was he who did the climbing and tuning. — Jack Heidt, W4MW.

<sup>1</sup> Fitz-Randolph, "Practical Consideration and Application in a Multielement Quad," QST. February, 1967.

#### Feedback

In Fig. 2A, page 27, November 1968 QST (Gimmicks & Gadgets) the lead from the upper diode should go to Q on  $FF_{1B}$  instead of J on  $FF_{2A}$ . The J input on  $FF_{2A}$  has no connection. Also, the correct spelling of the street name in the Signetics address is Arques, not Aeques.



#### TUBE ADAPTER

To improve the performance of older receivers, it's often necessary to replace an octal tube with a 7-pin miniature. As shown in Fig. 1, an easy way to do this is to make an adapter from a 7-pin socket and a male multiwire connector.

Begin making the adapter by removing the grommet from the connector cap. Then determine if the miniature socket will fit flush with the top of the cap. In case it won't, increase the size of the hole with a small file. Next solder a 3-inch length of hookup wire to each pin of the miniature socket. Leave sufficient insulation on the wires so that crossing leads will not short. Insert the wires in the appropriate pins of the octal plug, and pull the wires taut. To complete the adapter, solder the wires to the connector pins, and plug in the miniature tube. -- Hank Van Hooser, W4DIJ

# USING A CENTER LOADED LOW-BAND WHIP ON 50 MHZ.

WHEN I had my 3.9-MHz. loading coil in my Master Mount mobile antenna, I accidentally turned my multiband 3-watt rig to 50 MHz. On hearing a station, I gave him a call, and much to my surprise, he came back and gave me a fair report. Since then 1 have had several dozen 50-MHz. contacts using this combination, some of them with stations that were more than 30 miles distant.

After my initial v.h.f. QSO with the lowband antenna, I tried each of the available coils in making a test with one station. We discovered that the 7-MHz. coil gave a small but noticeable improvement whereas the 14-MHz. coil or a jumper across a loading coil gave a serious decrease in signal strength.

Somewhat later I put an s.w.r. bridge at the input of the 50-ohm coaxial cable which feeds the antenna. The measurements were consistent with these observations: The s.w.r. was the least (2 to 1) with the 7-MHz. coil and only slightly higher with the 3.9-MHz. coil. Perhaps the s.w.r. could be lowered by trimming a coil exactly, but the inconvenience seems hardly worthwhile since losses in a short line are insignificant when the s.w.r. is down to 2 to 1.

While at 50 MHz. the electrical length of the whip is less than a half wavelength, it can be surmised that the presence of the 7-MHz. coil accidentally loads it to make it appear to have a length of about  $\frac{3}{4}$  wavelength. If one is willing to accept a vertically polarized mobile antenna when most stations are horizontally polarized, he is unlikely to find one that is more effective than this one. — Yardley Becrs, WØEXS



Fig. 1—A minia'ure-tube adapter for an octal socket.

#### "TOUCH TO TALK" FOR THE C.W. OPERATOR

 $\mathbf{I}$  "Talk," KH6CU outlined the advantages of the touch-to-transmit system for phone operation. However, I found the touch system to be even more advantageous for c.w. work.

Referring to Fig. 1 in the KH6CU article, for c.w. operation the contact plate can be merely a wire that is wound around the key knob or paddle in such a position that, during transmitting periods, the operator's hand will always be in contact with the wire. By just touching his key — it isn't necessary to close it — the operator can mute his receiver, turn on his oscillator and switch his antenna. The transmitter can then be keyed normally. By removing his hand to pick up a pencil or punch the mill, the operator can immediately activate his receiver. For a form of break-in, with a little practice one can learn to rest his knuckle away from the paddle (and the contact plate attached to it) between words and sentences.

Once again, in reference to Fig. I in the KH6CU article,  $C_1$  should be of reasonable quality because the operator will be subject to shock if the capacitor breaks down. Preferably two capacitors should be used in series, one at the control unit and one at the key or microphone. Then if one capacitor breaks down, there still will be no danger.<sup>1</sup> The control unit should be mounted in a grounded metal box, and the leads from  $K_1$  to the transmitter should be bypassed to ground. A shielded wire between the box and the contact plate will reduce the possibility of r.f. pickup by the device. — Harry F. Hillman, W7DVZ

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The minimum-voltage rating given for  $C_1$  in the KH6CU article is a little on the stingy side if a large transient appears on the a.e. line. Use one or two 1600-volt capacitors for  $C_1$  and there will be no need to worry. -- *Edilor* 

#### TAPPING PLEXIGLAS

A SCREW hole may be tapped in Plexiglas or polystyrene by simply driving the screw into a hole of slightly smaller diameter than the screw. To greatly reduce the chance of cracking the plastic, place a small amount of liquid scap on the screw and in the hole prior to tapping.  $\rightarrow$ *Robert J. Tanis, WA8UDG/4* 

#### SILICONE RUBBER SEALANTS

 $\mathbf{I}$  is not uncommon to experience intermittent connections in ham radio antenna systems. More often than not, the condition is brought about by weathering and corrosion at the joints where the feed line is attached to the beam or wire antenna.

An excellent sealant compound is available from Allied Radio in Chicago, and it can be used to protect antenna connections from the weather. The sealant is manufactured by the Dow Corning Company, and its trade name and number are Silastic RTV 732. A 2-ounce tube costs \$1.50 in single lots. A similar compound is made by General Electric and is known as RTV-108. A 3-ounce tube costs \$1.75 from Allied Radio.

The feedthrough bushings in Fig. 2 show the results of weatherproofing and weathering. The insulator bolt at the left was treated two years ago with RTV-108 and is clean and still encapsulated with sealant. No deterioration of the silicone compound was noted. The right-hand bolt is very rusty, and corrosion exists between the bolt and the feeder wire.

The RTV compounds are also useful for sealing coaxial connectors and their cables against the weather when they are used out of doors. In addition the sealant is handy for sealing airtight compartments of transmitters when blower fans are used. — W1CER



Fig. 2—The use of silicone sealant on the connection at the left kept it free from becoming corroded like the connection at the right.

#### PREVENTING THE BINDING OF CHEAP VERNIER DIALS

I with the construction of a small portable transceiver I used a cheap vernier dial to turn the main tuning capacitor. However, I found that the capacitor would rotate through only part of its range. An investigation showed that the shaft of the dial was out of true: that is, the shaft wobbled when it rotated, and therefore the connection to the capacitor made it bind.

Space was not available to install a flexible shaft coupling. However, I reasoned that the problem could be solved by reducing the rigidity of the capacitor-mounting bracket, so the capacitor could shift to a position where its rotor could rotate freely. I removed the bracket, which was made of sheet aluminum and was held by two machine screws, and made three long cuts in it with a pair of shears. As shown in Fig. 3, two cuts were made from one side, and one cut was made from the other side. When I remounted the bracket, I used only one machine screw.

These changes resulted in a complete solution to the problem, and the capacitor shaft rotated freely. An alternative solution would have been the construction of a bracket from some No. 14-gauge wire. — Yardley Beers,  $W \emptyset E X S$ 



Fig. 3—Semirigid bracket permits a variable capacitor to be used with a cheap vernier dial that might bind in a normal installation.

#### CLEANING EQUIPMENT

A<sup>FTER</sup> five years of mobile operation, my Drake TR-3 had developed a few birdies and other strange problems that couldn't be eliminated by alignment. I suspected stray coupling because of the quarter-inch of dirt that had accumulated beneath the chassis. A friend (the late K4HY) suggested a thorough cleaning in a solution consisting of eight ounces of household ammonia, five ounces of "Mr. Clean," four ounces of acetone and seven pints of water.

I simply dunked the transceiver into this solution and brushed the dirt out of the nooks and crannies with a small paint brush. Then I thoroughly washed out the rig with the garden hose. Four hours in the XYL's oven at 145 degrees completed the job. The copper chassis now looks like a new penny and all the problems are gone.

Because the treatment removes all traces of oil, after such a cleaning it is necessary to lubricate all capacitor bearings, band-switch junction surfaces and so forth. — Thomas W. Webb, W4YOK

#### EQUIPMENT FINISH

WHEN new equipment is purchased it is a good idea to give it a coat of automobile wax. This preserves the finish and makes dusting easy. — Louis Berman, K6BW

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capacitor to guard against r.f. getting into the unit. This is not shown on the schematic.

#### Power Supply

Fig. 3 shows a suitable power supply if you need one. Depending upon what 12-volt transformer you use, you may need to change the value of the 56-ohm resistor to get a current of 10-20 ma. in the Zener regulator.

#### Adjustment and Use

You can connect a pair of headphones (or an audio counter) to the v.h.f. output and compare what you hear with a standard 2125 tone from an accurate audio oscillator, musical instrument, tape recorder, tone standard or whatever you have available for the purpose. The other pots may be set by first causing the keyboard to go to space. Holding down the "break" key will accomplish this. As mark does not change while adjusting the space tone, this is a simple and quick adjustment.

The unit is designed to work from a 12-volt supply and draws about 50 ma. We changed the voltage from 8 to 16 and the output frequency changed only one hertz. There will be perhaps 10-15 Hz. warm-up drift the first few seconds after you turn the power supply on.

In the past two months, the author has never found the 850 shift to be off more than 1 Hz., after warm-up, regardless of room temperature.

In using the AK-1 make certain that you do not overdrive the transmitter with too much audio. This is easily checked by reducing the microphone gain control until the output drops noticeably. This will be the gain-control setting which you should never exceed. If you're tempted to ignore this admonishment and run the audio too high, trying to get that last ounce of power from the machine, all we can do is tell you that this is not the way it's done.

An additional 30 to 40 db. carrier suppression can be achieved by moving the b.f.o. frequency 1 kHz. as suggested to transmit 2125- and 2975-Hz. tones.

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voltage rating of 1800 volts up to 30 Mc. for a wall thickness of 0.02 inch.

#### Adjustment

Preliminary adjustment should be made as far as possible above ground. If the adjustment is made too close to ground, or other surrounding objects, the resonant points will change when the antenna is raised to its final height. For the phone portion of the band, I adjusted the driven element to resonance at 14.3 MHz., and the director to 14.8 MHz. Start out with the element lengths shown in Fig. 1, and adjust to resonance at the required frequency by sliding the coil clamp back and forth on the element to compress or elongate the coil. Keep the adjustments at the two ends of the elements as nearly identical as possible. Use a grid-dip meter loosely coupled to one of the loading coils to indicate resonance. Approximate resonance is set by coil adjustment. Final or vernier adjustment to the exact desired frequency is accomplished by shortening or lengthening the element. The gamma match should then be adjusted for minimum s.w.r. on the line, as described in *The ARRL Antenna Book*.

For the final check on driven-element resonance, I used an Omega-T noise bridge.<sup>3</sup> If this method is used, be sure to follow the precautions mentioned in the reference article. The first check that I made with the noise bridge showed that the resonant frequency had increased when the antenna was raised, so it was necessary to lengthen the elements to the final value shown in Fig. 1. A final check on the s.w.r. showed 1.05/1 at 14,300 kHz., 1.3/1 at 14,350 kHz., and 1.5/1 at 14,200 kHz., which was better than I had expected with elements so short.

I used a vertical and a half-wave dipole for comparative signal reports from the stations I worked, and I also did a lot of listening. The beam does a consistently better job, not only as to signal reports, but in greatly attenuating the signals off the sides and back. The antenna will easily handle 2 kw. p.e.p. on s.s.b., or 1 kw. on c.w. For the ham with limited resources or space, this antenna will be found to be a very worthwhile project.

<sup>3</sup> Hart. "The Antenna Noise Bridge," QST, Dec. 1967.

#### Antenna For 80 and 40 Meters

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be over eight inches long. These leads are brought out of small holes in the side of the container.

The 115-volt leads from the relay to the shack were run at right angles to the antenna for about fifteen feet down the support. At that point the leads were run horizontally over the operating room. The entire length of 115-volt line was run at right angles to the antenna and taped to the coaxial cable which followed the same route. I had some misgivings about r.f. getting on the 115-volt line to the relay but I experienced no difficulty when running my Heath SB-200 linear full blast. Be sure to use good quality zip cord as it will be exposed to the weather.

The results obtained with this antenna have been very acceptable to me. An appreciable amount of European DX has been worked or both 80 and 40 meters. The s.w.r. as measured on the bridge included in my Heath SB-200 is quite acceptable throughout both 80 and 40 meters as indicated in Table I. Note the necessity to short out the 80-meter loading coils wher operating on the higher frequencies of the 40meter band. This condition appears to be caused by a self-resonance in the loading coils whiet causes the s.w.r. to increase at the high end o the 40-meter band.



# Allied A-2515 Receiver

THE Allied A-2515 is an inexpensive generalcoverage receiver imported from Japan. Basically speaking, the A-2515 is a solidstate, single-conversion, 455-kHz. i.f. superheterodyne. A total of 24 semiconductors are used — two dual-gate FETs, nine bipolar transistors, and 13 diodes. The A-2515 may be operated from either the 115-volt a.c. power line or a 12-volt d.c. supply.

Two tuning dials are used in this receiver, which tunes from 0.15 to 30 MHz. in five bands: 0.15 to 0.40 MHz., 0.55 to 1.6 MHz., 1.6 to 4.8 MHz., 4.8 to 14.5 MHz., and 10.5 to 30 MHz. Calibrated electrical bandspread is provided on five of the six amateur bands that can be tuned. The 40-meter band is covered in two segments, 7.0 to 7.145 MHz. and 7.145 to 7.3 MHz. Bandspread calibration is provided every 10 kHz. on 80 meters, 5 kHz. on 40 meters, 50 kHz. on 20 and 15 meters, and 100 kHz. on 10 meters. There is no calibrated bandspread on 160 meters. The bandspread dial requires approximately  $7\frac{1}{2}$ turns to cover the 80-meter band, 19 turns on



Under-chassis view of the A-2515 receiver. Notice the neat, uncluttered appearance. The band switch and associated circuitry are located in the right center of the chassis with the r.f. amplifier input coils nearest the front panel. With the cabinet in place, access to the r.f. amplifier, mixer, and h.f. oscillator frequency-determining components is gained through holes in the cabinet bottom. Specific component locations for alignment purposes are also the receiver the set of the receiver back

clearly indicated on an adhesive label.



40 meters, 3 turns on 20 meters, 5 turns on 15 meters, and 7 turns on 10 meters. This results in a tuning rate of 67 kHz. per dial revolution on 80 meters, 16 kHz. per revolution on 40 meters, 117 kHz. per revolution on 20 meters, 90 kHz. per revolution on 15 meters, and 320 kHz. per revolution on 10 meters. As with any two-dial receiver, bandspread calibration depends on how accurately the main-tuning dial can be set.

#### Circuit

The overall design concept of the A-2515 is presented in Fig. 1. All the requirements of a basic communications receiver have been met using straight forward design principles.

As shown in Fig. 2, front-end protection has been added to the A-2515 prior to any r.f. amplification. Two back-to-back germanium diodes,  $CR_1$ - $CR_2$ , are connected directly across the antenna terminals to limit the amount of voltage at this point. The r.f. gain control,  $R_1$ , is a potentiometer connected directly across the antenna. This is a "brute-force" technique but it works quite well.  $Q_1$ , a dual-gate MOSFET, is used as a tuned r.f. amplifier. As far as we know, this is the first inexpensive communications receiver to use MOSFETs. The antenna-trimmer control peaks the input circuit throughout the tuning range. Care has been taken in the design of the receiver to eliminate the chances of parasitic oscillation by inserting small-value resistors in series with the r.f. input gate and drain leads of  $Q_1$ . An r.f. decoupling network consisting of a series resistor and a bypass capacitor prevents r.f. coupling through the power leads.

When the receiver is operated in the a.m. mode, the a.g.c. circuit shown in Fig. 2 controls the gain of  $Q_1$ . As a strong signal is tuned in, a negative voltage is developed across the 470K resistor in series with the control gate. This overcomes the slightly positive gate voltage present with no signal applied. As the control-gate voltage is made more negative, the gain of  $Q_1$  is reduced. When operating in the c.w./s.s.b. mode, the a.g.c. circuit is disabled by breaking the connection at point X in Fig. 2.

 $Q_2$ , also a dual-gate MOSFET, is used as the conversion mixer. The r.f. signal is fed into one



Fig. 1-Block diagram of the Allied A-2515 Receiver

gate and the oscillator signal is fed into the other gate. The high-frequency oscillator is of the Hartley variety and uses a single bipolar transistor,  $Q_3$ . The base and collector voltages to  $Q_3$  are regulated by Zener diode  $CR_5$ . On all frequency bands the oscillator operates 455 kHz, above the signal frequency. There is no apparent temperature compensation. Parasitic suppression is provided by a 330-ohm resistor in series with the collector lead of  $Q_3$ .

Three stages of 455-kHz. i.f. amplification are provided. Four mechanical filters of the ceramic variety provide a selectivity rated at plus-orminus 1.5 kHz. at -6 db. A.g.c. voltage obtained



from the a.m. detector varies the base-bias voltage on the first two i.f. stages, subsequently controlling their gain. An S-meter has been included in the A-2515 and it is an inherent part of the i.f. amplifier circuitry. The S-meter is actually a low-range voltmeter bridged between the emitter of the first i.f. amplifier and a Zenerregulated reference voltage. An S-meter zeroing coutrol is located on the receiver's rear panel. The S-meter functions on all modes of reception.

Two separate detectors are used, a simple diode for a.m. reception and a two-diode balanced detector for s.s.b.-c.w. reception. The balanced detector is very similar to the one used several years ago in "Single Sideband Junior."<sup>1</sup> The input of the product detector is coupled to the collector of the third i.f. amplifier by a 20-pf. capacitor. The center tap of the product detector coil is grounded, and the b.f.o. signal is injected at the junction of two series shunting capacitors. Audio output from the balanced modulator is single-ended. The b.f.o. circuit uses a single bipolar transistor in a Hartley configuration. The b.f.o. supply voltage is Zener regulated. A b.f.o. tuning control allows the b.f.o. frequency to be varied plus or minus 3.5 kHz. U.s.b. and l.s.b. frequencies are indicated on the front panel. A single diode acts as a shunt-type noise limiter which can be used only for a.m. operation.

<sup>1</sup>The circuit was originally a balanced modulator in a simple transmitter described in G.E. *Ham News* for November-December, 1950; also, *Ham News Sideband Handbook*.

The A-2515 receiver removed from its cabinet. The two cast flywheels shown in the upper-left corner of the photograph are part of the dial-drive mechanism. Just in front of the flywheels is the r.f. circuit board on which are mounted the r.f. amplifier, mixer, and high-frequency oscillator circuits. Mounted on the long circuit board along the rear wall of the chassis are the i.f. amplifier and mechanical filters, the b.f.o., the detector circuits, and the a.g.c. circuits. To the right of this board is the audioamplifier printed-circuit board. The power-supply board is mounted in the right rear corner of the chassis. The two tuning capacitors are mounted in the center of the chassis; the main-tuning capacitor is to the right. To the right of the main-tuning capacitor is a plastic-covered fuse holder and the power transformer. A real convenience to anyone wishing to service this receiver has been provided by the manufacturer—each component location on the circuit board is numbered so as to correspond with the schematic diagram. In addition, all printed circuit foil paths have been traced out on the top side of the circuit board in green paint. Along the rear wall of the chasis from left to right are the antenna terminals, a metal plate which may be removed to accomodate an SO-239 coaxial connector, the zeroing control for the S-meter, an auxiliary control socket, the audio output terminal strip, a 12-volt input connector, the a.c./d.c. switch and the line cord.



Fig. 2—Schematic diagram of r.f. amplifier, mixer, and h.f. oscillator of Allied A-2515 receiver with all switching circuits omitted.  $C_{1A}$ ,  $C_{1B}$ ,  $C_{1C}$  is the main-tuning capacitor;  $C_{2A}$ ,  $C_{2B}$ ,  $C_{2C}$  is the bandspread capacitor.  $C_3$ - $C_6$  inclusive and  $L_1$ - $L_6$  inclusive are selected for the particular band in use.

Three stages of audio amplification are used two preamplifiers and a class B push-pull output circuit. A thermistor stabilizes the bias on the output stage. Negative feedback is introduced from the output stage to the emitter of the second preamplifier to minimize distortion. Transformer coupling into and out of the final audio-amplifier stage is used. The output transformer has taps for 4- and 8-ohm loads. If an 8-ohm speaker is used, plugging in headphones in the front-panel jack automatically disconnects the speaker, but if a 4-ohm speaker is used, audio will be heard simultaneously in the headphones and the speaker. The manufacturer recommends headphones ranging from 8 to 2000 ohms.

A rear-panel switch selects either 115-volt a.c. operation or 12-volt d.c. operation. The a.c. supply uses a step-down power transformer with three secondary windings. One winding provides about 14 volts to run the two pilot lamps. Another winding is connected to a full-wave rectifier circuit and  $\overline{RC}$  filter; this supply is used to power the two audio preamplifiers and the audio power amplifier. The third winding, also connected to a full-wave rectifier and an RC filter, is used to power the entire r.f. complement of the receiver. A Zener diode operated off this supply regulates the h.f. oscillator and b.f.o. supply voltages. Standby-receive switching is simply a matter of removing the d.c. supply voltage from the r.f. amplifier and mixer stages. Two taps on the transformer primary winding permit either 115or 100-volt operation; the receiver comes wired for 115-volt operation. The transformer primary is fused at one ampere.

When switching to d.c. operation, a 4-pole double-throw switch performs the transfer. On d.c. all receiver circuits, including the pilot lamps, are run from the common supply voltage, although the h.f. oscillator and b.f.o. supply voltages remain Zener regulated. A separate oneampere fuse is used for d.c. operation.

#### Performance

After connecting the A-2515 to a 135-foot longwire antenna and tuning across one of the shortwave bands it was quite apparent that a crossmodulation problem existed. As a first step, protective diodes  $CR_1$  and  $CR_2$  were removed, and with the diodes removed there was no noticeable cross modulation or tendency of the receiver to balk at strong signals. Eliminating the diodes does, however, present the problem of possible front-end damage when the receiver is used with a nearby transmitter. Silicon diodes will clip at higher amplitudes than the germanium diodes originally used but will yet provide front-end protection. By placing back-to-back silicon diodes on the arm side of the r.f. gain control,  $R_1$ , no cross modulation will be experienced in most locations. Here at the ARRL lab where we are surrounded by several broadcast stations it was necessary to use two silicon diodes in series for each leg of the back-to-back combination.

With the A-2515 set up for a.m. operation, the sensitivity was measured to be  $0.4 \,\mu v$ . for a 10 db. signal-plus-noise-to-noise ratio with a 30% modulated signal, on each of the five calibrated amateur bands. Image rejection was much in line



with what can be expected from a single-conversion receiver having a 455-kHz. i.f. The image rejection was 45 db. on 80 meters, 46 db. on 40 meters, 25 db. on 20 meters, 15 db. on 15 meters, and 5 db. on 10 meters. Because the h.f. oscillator is always on the high side of the desired signal, the antenna-trimmer control should be set on the high-capacitance side to minimize image response.

Some inexpensive receivers are plagued with the problem of oscillator harmonics beating with strong signals and producing spurious responses. Such is not the case with the A-2515. With the A-2515 operating on each of the six ham bands covered, the signal generator was swung through the frequency spectrum from 2 MHz. to 200 MHz., and all spurious responses were down a minimum of 45 db. (this does not include the image responses previously mentioned).

No actual stability measurements were made, but the electrical stability appears to be quite good. A 10-meter s.s.b. signal was tuned in when the receiver was first turned on and remained tuned in after several minutes of listening. Mechanical stability is also adequate. While lifting the front of the receiver and dropping it to the operating table produced a change in frequency of the beat note on a 28-MHz. e.w. signal, the receiver did come back to its original

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required voltages could be used.

#### Construction

While a home-made printed-circuit board could be fabricated for the audio switch, bias keyer and keying-monitor circuits, I prefer to use prepunched terminal-board material along with push-in terminals for projects of this type. With the described transistor circuits, lead lengths and dress are not important, and these circuits may be arranged to suit the individual constructor.

The t.r. switch is mounted on a small bracket assembly made from a thin sheet of brass. Horizontally the bracket is 134 inches long and 13% inches wide. The vertical section of the bracket is 3% inch wide. The vertical lip is drilled and tapped for 6-32 machine screws, with the two tapped holes spaced to use the upper two holes in the side frame formerly used to mount the now deleted antenna relay in the TCS transmitter. A nuvistor socket is mounted near the center of the bracket. It is soldered in so the tube installs inverted. Three tie points are required on the bracket and may be of any type that's handy and will fit. If you're using a transmitter other than the TCS, remember that the t.r. switch should be mounted in the vicinity of the final amplifier. The full plate voltage is on the amplifier at all times so be sure to turn off the high voltage when making checks around the t.r. switch.

frequency within a second or two. Single-signal c.w. operation is quite feasible with the degree of selectivity provided. Crowded-band conditions might entice the owner to use an audio filter or Q-multiplier.

The total quiescent current drain of the A-2515 using a 12-volt d.c. supply is about 300 ma. The current drain increases to about 500 ma. with full audio output. Quiescent current drain can be reduced to 40 ma. on d.c. operation if the two pilot lamps are disconnected. By removing a single wire from the a.c./d.c. switch the pilot lamps will automatically be disconnected when switching to d.c. operation.

As a final test the power-output capability of the audio amplifier was measured. The undistorted output was 0.5 watt into an 8-ohm resistive load. Although 8- to 2000-ohm headphones are recommended by the manufacturer, when 2000-ohm phones were plugged in a lowfrequency audio tone was heard. This can be attributed to the fact that the audio-output amplifier is very lightly loaded. By placing a 68-ohm 1-watt resistor from the 4-ohm output terminal to ground, this oscillation was removed.

The instruction manual contains basic operating information, a block diagram, parts list, alignment information, and a full-page schematic diagram. — K1TVF

 $C_4$ , the special 5-pf. coaxial capacitor, is made from a two-inch length of RG-58/U. The outer braid is one terminal and the inner conductor the other terminal. About 3% inch of the black outer covering is removed from one end of the braid and the exposed braid is carefully tinned, with special care taken not to melt the dielectric. A half inch or so of the dielectric should extend past the tinned end of the braid to increase the flash-over path. Be sure the dielectric and inner conductor out the other end are long enough to reach the connecting point of the pi network. A short piece of bus wire is soldered to the tinned portion of the braid and used to connect to the input tie point on the t.r. switch bracket assembly. Q \$7---

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KIQQX found this ad in a stage company news bulletin. Must mean smoke signals, eh?

# 225 Miles on 2300 MHz.

T seemed clear back in 1963 when the 165-mile 2300-MHz. record contact was made between Cadillac Mountain, Maine, and Cape Ann, Massachusetts that it would not be difficult to extend the distance to 225 miles, by moving the southern terminal to Mt. Wachuset in central Massachusetts. In fact, this was attempted on the same day that the 165-mile contact was made, but ended when the portable generator used by W1EHF on Cadillac Mountain ran out of oil.

The hardest part of a new record attempt was finding someone with the time and the talent to make the long trip "down East" to Maine. Little was done while the 165-mile record held, except to hope that if someone else broke it, the new distance would not be more than about 200 miles. This turned out to be the case when DJ4AU, Germany, and HB9RG, Switzerland, made contact on January 21, 1968 over a path of 208 miles. The European record was announced in the August, 1968, issue of QST, which did not leave much time to organize a new assault on the record during the summer vacation months. Fortunately, Bill McNally, K1DRB, had some time available before resuming college studies after a four-year stint in the Navy, and he offered to undertake the journey to Maine.

#### "The Best-Laid Plans . . ."

Plans were rapidly made: K1DRB would go to Maine with one of the two pulse stations constructed by W2BVU and W1QMN, and with Bob Burke, a non-ham camping enthusiast. They would spend four days camping in Acadia National Park and check in on two meters from the top of Cadillac Mountain with K1JIX in Harvard, Massachusetts, to determine if conditions warranted a 2300-MHz. attempt. Meanwhile, W2BVU, with the help of W1QMN and K1BFA, would be prepared to go to Mt. Wachuset in Princeton, Massachusetts, on short notice to set up a 144-MHz./2300-MHz. station.

Things did not go as planned in two important respects. First, the necessary State authorization to operate from the top of Mt. Wachuset was not obtained soon enough and, second, the weather stayed cool with below-average propagation conditions persisting. By the time the last evening of K1DRB's encampment arrived, it was decided to give 2300 a last-ditch try anyway. The Massachusetts station was set up along a road on the side of Mt. Wachuset at an elevation of 1500 feet, just short of a steel cable which prevented access to the summit. This spot proved to be more than adequate, as things developed.

The pulse equipment used on 2415 MHz. was as described in *The Radio Amateurs V.H.F. Manual* except for the local oscillator. The l.o. of the AN/APG-5 r.f. assembly (a fairly common government surplus item) was used for the l.o. at 2380 MHz. These oscillators, along with the pulse

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K1BFA and W1QMN waiting for K1DRB's 2415-MHz. signal to appear out of the night. Notice the carpenter's level beneath the 4-foot dish on the left; this was a necessary tool for leveling the antenna pedestal on the top of a stone wall. The 2-meter liaison station is on the tailgate of the station wagon in the background.

transmitters used, are surprisingly frequency stable. If the receiver is tuned to the desired transmitter frequency one day, it can be expected to be still tuned to the transmitter the next day. This made it possible to pre-tune the receivers and thus solve beforehand one of the two big problems in microwave DXing: where to look in frequency.

#### Antenna Alignment Hint

The other problem, of course, is setting narrowbeam antennas to the proper azimuth bearing. The method used to align the four-foot dishes is simple and has proven completely effective for a variety of field trips. Landmarks visible from the operating site are first identified and located on a local map of the area. The angle between the bearing line to a convenient landmark and the bearing line to the distant station is then measured. When the antenna is set up it is first boresighted on the visible landmark and then swung to the left or right by the measured angle, so as to bring it to the bearing of the other station. It would help if something like a transit tripod having an azimuth scale were available for this, but only crude wooden pedestals were used with the dishes of the two pulse stations. These rested on sheets of plywood on which the bearing lines were sketched. For both the 1963 record contact and the present one, this system worked so well that the headings established beforehand could not be improved on by peaking-up on the actual signal received.

Going back to the night's activities on Mt. Wachuset, the 2415-MHz. station and the 2meter liaison station were ready and the motor generator fired up by 8:30 p.m. local time. The 2-meter link used 10-element Yagis at each end, with about 70 watts input at K1DRB and a Communicator III at W2BVU/1. Contact was readily established on two meters, although the signals would frequently fade into the noise for a few seconds. The 141-MHz. average signal level was 25 to 30 db. above the noise. The operating technique used on 2415 MHz. initially was to touch nothing!

With the tuning and the antennas pre-aligned, K1DRB simply transmitted a steady pulse train while those on Mt. Wachuset listened. Nothing was heard for some time however, even when the receiver was tuned slightly, and things seemed bleak. But when the procedure was reversed, with W2BVU transmitting and K1DRB listening, a loud signal was immediately received in Maine and heard back in Massachusetts by way of the 2-meter link. Further tuning of the receiver in Massachusetts then brought in the same strong signal from K1DRB (the l.o. of this receiver was later found to have developed an

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- October 11-12-Roanoke Division, Huntington, West Va.

Note: Sponsors of large ham gatherings should check with League headquarters for an advisory on possible date conflicts before contracting for meeting space. Dates may be recorded at ARRL for up to two years in advance.



Alabama — Announcing the Birmingham ARC first Old Timer's Banquet on February 15 at the Eastwood Holiday Inn. For further information write or contact the Birmingham ARC, Box 603, Birmingham, Ala.

Florida — The Broward Amateur Radio Club will hold its Annual Auctionfest March 1 at Chaminade High School, 500 North 51 Ave., Hollywood, Fla. Doors open 8:00 A.M., auction begins 9:00 A.M. abnormal tuning "glitch"). The 2415-MHz. contact was effortlessly completed, the P-1 mode signal remaining above the receiver threshold nearly 100% of the time. Such a signal produces a pure audio tone at the output of the pulse receivers used, so that there was no fading apparent and it was very impressive listening to K1DRB's signal from afar as though it were a code-practice oscillator!

#### 115 Miles Over the Horizon

The 225-mile path is far from line-of-site. Both of the terminal sites were at an elevation of 1500 feet, giving radio horizons no more than 55 miles distant from each end and leaving 115 miles to be covered beyond the horizons. This was probably scatter propagation, as there was no evidence of abnormal refraction conditions. It was a clear, cold night, and a check with local v.h.f.-u.h.f. operators revealed nothing good for conditions on the other bands.

The one watt or so of average power radiated by the pulse station in Maine actually sounded stronger on Mt. Wachuset than it did on Cape Ann, on the occasion of the 1963 record. It appears certain that much greater distances can be covered on the 2300-MHz. band, especially with the help of higher power and better propagation conditions. — John Zimmer, W2BVU

Illinois — The Wheaton Community Radio Amateurs (WCRA) will hold the seventh annual Mid-Winter Swap and Shop on Sunday, February 16 at the DuPage County Fair Ground, Wheaton, Ill. Hours: 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. \$1.00 donation at the door. Refreshments and unlimited parking. Free coffee and doughnuts 9:00 to 10:00 A.M. Contact Bill Lester, WA9FGP, Box 1, Lombard, Ill. 60148 for information.

Indiana — The Lake County Amateur Radio Club, Inc. announces its 16th Annual Banquet to be held at Teibel's Restaurant, U.S. 30 and 41 (near Schererville, Ind.) at 6:30 p.m., CST, February 8. Chicken dinner, entertainment, speeches, Tickets \$4.00 each from Herbert S. Brier, W9EGQ, 385 Johnson St., Gary, Ind. 46402, Positively no tickets sold at the door.

**Ohio** — The annual auction of the Intercity Radio Club (North Central Ohio) will be held at the Naval Reserve Armory on Friday, February 7.

Oklahoma — Keep the date of February 9 open for the Lawton Fort Sill ARC Hamfest which will be held at the National Guard Armory.

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QST Congratulates . . .

Edward J. Bock, WØEKT, on becoming president of Monsanto.

Ralph H. Turner, W8HXC, elected president of the Ohio Psychological Association.

John A. Hamm, WB4GEM, on his assignment as director of the 13 and 17th Naval Districts MARS. George Jacobs, W3ASK, elected Fellow of the IEEE.

T. Benson Leavitt, WA1CYS, elected president of United Life and Accident Company.

Donald McKinley, O.B.E., Ph.D., VE3AU, appointed Executive Director of the National Research Council of Canada.

# Mailing the Club Bulletin

BY HUGH CASSIDY,\* WA6AUD

Here are some useful suggestions for the ham club bulletin editor in tackling his mailing problem . . . from as authoritative a source as you can get — WA6AUD is a postmaster. Thanks to the Amateur Radio News Service Bulletin, KØNL Editor, for permission to reprint.

UNTIL January 1968 there was possible some saving in postage for most clubs in mailing their bulletins, and it was possible to mail two ounces for four cents. However, since that time the rate has been two ounces for six cents which must be compared with the first class rate of six cents for one ounce. As most bulletins are one ounce or less, there usually is no alternative than to mail at the first class rate.

Yet there still are occasions when some clubs can effect a saving in postage, and there are also some services available for first class mail and which may occasionally be useful to a club in maintaining its mailing list.

First of all, it should be understood that thirdclass mail is the "junk mail" which is so often vigorously condemned. This term originated within the Post Office itself and while the P.O. Department now officially frowns upon the use of the term, it was a matter of common usage twenty to thirty years ago. Many may protest that they mean by 'junk mail' the multitude of direct-mail advertising items they receive; but technically, so far as the Post Office is concerned, under the rate structure all these items are the same. It is third-class mail whether it is a Christmas card, club bulletin or a full 40-foot van deposited at your dock after being piggy-backed by a nutional direct mail advertising firm in the Midwest.

In actual practice you will find that third-class mail will move relatively fast in the immediate mailing area and slower the farther away the delivery point is (as it gets mixed with other third-class mail, including the aforementioned direct-mail advertising).

Thus, under our present rate structure, if your bulletin does not exceed one ounce, mail it first class. If over an ounce, think of possibly using third-class mail if your mailing list comprises only near-by destinations. If you have many distant members you should always consider first class for all these, inasmuch as practically all first-class mail going any distance these days goes by air.

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#### **Changes of Address**

Third class does offer a method of keeping your mailing list corrected . . . at a price. To secure a change of address when a person has removed and filed a forwarding address with the Post Office, the words "ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED" should be entered under the return address of the item mailed. If the item is under 4 ounces then the Post Office Department will return the item with the new address on it and collect 10¢. Over four ounces they will not return the item but will send a notice, and again the rate will be 10¢ collected. There are additional variations of this service and if you should be interested, consult the local Post Office, referring to Postal Manual 158.243.

#### Permits

When your mailing list gets over 200 pieces, there are opportunities to move into the thirdclass permit category and mail at the reduced rates available for bulk-mailing. Before charging down to the Post Office for a bulk permit, it should be pointed out that these permits cost \$15 plus a \$30 annual bulk mailing fee. Thus the initial cost to use this service is \$45 the first year, and \$30 each year thereafter. The \$30 fee is due the first of January every year.



Under the third-class rate, for most radio clubs, there are two rates to consider. One is the third-class non-profit rate and the other is the straight third-class bulk rate. Under the nonprofit rate you can mail for 1.6¢ per piece. The straight third class bulk rate is 3.8¢. Remember, a third-class bulk rate does cost \$45 to get started.

If you qualify for a non-profit rate, no saving will result unless you mail at least 1100-plus pieces in a calendar year. Below the 1100 mark (Continued on page 73)



#### CONDUCTED BY GEORGE HART,\* WINJM

#### Hassles

WE suppose man is, by nature, a selfish beast. It is characteristic of a great many of us to form logic and rationality on the basis of our own personal interests; or, if it is not possible to do this on orthodox grounds, to twist logic so that it does conform.

You can say what you please about the merits of sheer ability versus personality traits, but there is no fine line separating the two and it cannot be denied that the latter affects the former, positively or negatively, as the case may be. For example, an SEC with a maximum of background and ability may flop miserably because of some unfortunate personal characteristics, while another who is a complete boob may enjoy a measure of success purely through exercise of an extrovert, outgoing personality of the "winning" type. It goes without saying, then, that the one possessing both ability and a "winning" personality is bound to be aces high in any leadership endeavor.

Yes, there is no doubt that personality is a determining factor. You may have ability oozing out of every pore, if you do not have the personality to exert it, it will be either unacceptable or unknown.

Of recent months, in public service circles, there have been a number of difficult situations arising because of personality conflicts and selfish-interest motives. An SCM with a steel trap for a mind makes some factual comments in a manner which arouses the members of his section to a fever pitch of denunciation. An SCM and SEC in the same section, both of high ability but with diametrically opposite personality types, find that they just cannot get along. An intelligent and usually-rational amateur severely criticizes the League because it does not devote more attention to that specialty in which he is deeply involved to the exclusion of just about all else. Two NTS net managers are at swords-points because of a misunderstanding as to who does what in the system, each desiring to have the lion's share of the credit. There are arguments about rules which contenders feel should not exist, or about rules which don't exist but ought to, or about rules which used to exist but were dropped. And so it goes. A recent letter exhorted the headquarters to take action to prevent further disputes between and among amateurs. We wish we could. But as long as there are amateurs with different feelings about things (and there always will be — at last we hope so) there will be "hassles." They are unavoidable and they keep life from getting dull.

\*Communications Manager, ARRL.



WØUGR mobile at Charles City, Iowa, just after the severe tornado of May 15, 1968.

The pity of it is that sometimes these ruckuses develop into controversies which become so noisy that they attract the attention of the League's policy-makers, sometimes even the general public, and first thing we know we are "washing our dirty linen in public." We ought to be able to solve our own problems, but sooner or later someone in a private quarrel feels that he needs support from higher authority and runs to "papa." The end result of such action is sometimes good, but usually bad — because it demonstrates to those outside the public service family that we are incapable of controlling or settling our own affairs.

What's to be done? Well, it would seem that it is essentially a matter of attitude. Perhaps if we can keep a few things in mind as we argue we can keep the argument on a constructive and progressive foundation. Such as:

1) Make the basic consideration the welfare of the whole, instead of what *you* want. Of course this can usually be rationalized into being the same thing, but if we follow our impulses blindly we'll end up in a blind alley.

2) Keep the heat down. Avoid name-calling and insults, even implied ones. References to a person being incompetent, inexperienced, unfamiliar with the situation, unable to comprehend the idea, etc., are just as insulting as calling him stupid, obstreperous or imbecilic. Resist that urge to insult, it is not conducive to persuasion and might only prove that you are precisely what you are calling the other fellow. 3) Be a giver of the benefit of the doubt. If someone says something that may be taken two or more ways, assume he means it the most favorable way, not the most insulting. If a person's motives are in doubt, assume they are the best even as yours are.

4) Keep your temper. It's a bad thing to lose in an argument. When you feel that redness around the neck, lapse into an attentive silence until it cools. A good way to cool things off is to inject a bit of humor (not satire!) if you can think of anything humorous to say. In correspondence, "hold 24 hours before answering." If that doesn't cool you off, sit down and write the guy a real nasty letter, then read it over, have a good laugh at yourself, destroy it and start over again.

5) Don't say things you wouldn't like if they were said to you (the Golden Rule), even if you think they are true. Call someone a "sap," or refer to something he said as "sappy" or "juvenile" or "stupid," then ask how you would react if someone treated you in that manner. If you decide you wouldn't like it (and you wouldn't!), then you're not going to gain a thing by making your opponent mad.

6) Try to avoid pomposity and exasperation. Sometimes it will seem that the other guy is just too uit-witted to grasp what you are talking about and you will want to throw up your hands and walk away. Ending the discussion might be called for in some cases, but don't do it that way. A much better impression is left if you simply express your appreciation for the opportunity to discuss the matter.

The above may sound like a cupola on "How to Win Friends and Influence People." Perhaps this is something we all should read. Much more could be said on the subject, but what it all boils down to is that while it is helpful to discuss controversial matters and even argue over them, we should stop short of quarreling to the extent of estrangement. We're all in this public service game together, so let's keep our arguments among ourselves.

Surely someone is going to say "Maybe you fellers at headquarters should practice what you preach." OK, we'll try. How about you?

#### Monitoring Services

We're tickled into this subject by a letter in our tickler file from Marv Cook. W9WWE, secretary of the Midwest Amateur Radio Service. With your permission, we'd like to present Marv's info on MWARS and let it lead into allied matters.

The Midwest Amateur Radio Service was organized in January, 1968, by K8DDT and W9-WWE. Its operations are similar to and modeled after those of the West Coast Amateur Radio Service which operates on the same frequency. Membership is open to any amateur: all you have to do is check in on 7255. You will find K9DDT or W9WWE "on frequency" most of the time. The peak of traffic is in the early evening hours. During the earth tremor of Nov. 9 reports were received from nine midwest states within 35 minutes and included a direct report from the St. Louis area. On one evening last November a member logged 59 contacts in three hours, 50% of which were with mobiles.

Your net directory (you mean you don't have a copy?) shows three "Amateur Kadio Service" nets operating on 7255. Originally there was the WCARS, which now boasts someone on the frequency 24 hours per day and which handles dozens of minor emergency and other incidents weekly. MWARS operates on the same frequency during daylight. The East Coast ARS calls the roll at 1700 GMT, which converts to 1200 (noon) EST, and during the May-Oct. season this occurs one hour earlier, or 1600 GMT, but the same time by your clocks. The aim is to keep this net open for emergency traffic and general contacts "all day." W2CFP is the manager, and you just might find him there.

ARRL applauds these efforts to establish general monitoring frequencies and hopes that all amateurs will participate to make them a going thing.

This brings us to the discussions concerning "ARRL Working Frequencies" which first started in Aug. '68 QST (p. 94) and provoked quite a few letters. Nearly all of them were in favor of the idea, but details varied all over the place. For the time being and into the foreseeable future, no ARRL working frequency will be designated on 40-meter phone. The ECARS, MWARS and WCARS setup on 7255 kc. serves the purpose and we would not want to create any diversion from it.

As for other ARRL frequencies, the whole project has been shelved for a while because of the press of other matters, but it has not been forgotten. Chances are that we'll try out the idea on one or two bands. If it works, other ARRL frequencies can be picked; if not, we can pull in our horns before it gets out of hand. Shall we try frequencies on 80 c.w; and 75 phone? Watch for an announcement in the next two or three months. — W1NJM.

#### Diary of the AREC and RACES

A late report concerning the operations of the Viking Amateur Radio Society, Mankato Radio Chub, Northstar Hibanders, Rochester Amateur Radio Club, and a group of anateurs from Albert Lea, all in southern Minnesota, has been received describing their operations in the tornado at Charles City, Iowa, on May 15. More than forty-five stations participated in supplying communications for the stricken area.

The VARS arrived in Charles City early the morning following the tornado with eight mobiles and base station equipment for six and ten meters. A seventy-foot tower was found still intact at the Floyd County Hospital and served as a perfect support for a portable six-meter beam. Using this set up, WAØGKN was able to make arrangements for the arrival of the other groups over an airline distance of about 85 miles.

The remaining groups helped the American Red Cross with health and welfare traffic, locating peo



This station belongs to W3EML. Bill has been ably directing TCC Eastern for quite a while. Do any of you other ARPSCers have pictures of your stations?

ple, damage surveys and clean up crews as well as helping the hospital with communications. —  $W \phi U G R$ .

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Members of the Viking Amateur Radio Society also helped with communications in the aftermath of the tornado at Tracy, Minn., June 13. After a "near miss" tornado watch for Waseca County was secured, WØSZW, KØKCJ, and KØSPG left for Tracy. A ten meter base station was set up at the City Hall by WØSZW while the others used portable units on foot. On the evening of Friday, June 14, KØSPG returned to Waseca and WØCHC and WØUGR arrived in Tracy. When the real clean up work started on Saturday, June 15, the VARS group helped to handle traffic, direct work crews, and locate officials. KØUYN at the club station WA0CJU kept in touch with Tracy via a high frequency station set up in the armory. The group left Saturday evening after serving for two full days. - WØUGR.

At 0255 on Nov. 16, WA6DEV came across an accident in which a small foreign car had struck a telephone pole, pinning the driver behind the steering wheel. On two-meter f.m. WB6EYH was called. An ambulance and the California Highway Patrol were summoned to the scene. — WB6DEV.

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More than 100 VE6s, plus additional visiting mobiles participated in each weekend of the Alberta Motor Association's "Bring 'Em Back Alive'' campaigu. The mountain-top location of VE6ADX at Banff was used as the provincial control center during all three weekends of the operation covering Victoria Day, May 17-20; Dominian Day, June 28-July 1; and Labor Day, Aug. 30-Sept. 2. This was perhaps the most ambitious project ever undertaken by Alberta amateurs and was seen as a success from all viewpoints.— VE6FK, SEC Alta.

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For the third consecutive year, members of the Calgary (Alta.) Amateur Radio Club supplied communications for the 1968 Canadian Marathon Championship. A total of six mobile units operating on two meters were used along the 26 mile course of the track event. The event lasted about four hours. — VE6AFR, EC Calgary, Alta.

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AREC and RACES units cooperated on Sept. 2 to provide communications for the National Air Races held at the Burke Lakefront Airport near Cleveland, Ohio. About twenty amateurs used a dozen mobiles and portables on six meters during the operation. — WA8VBK.

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On Sept. 15, VE2APT/mobile acted as a checkpoint for the Great Montreal Automobile Rally. Twenty-two messages were passed to VE2ZA/ portable via the two-meter f.m. repeater VE2MT. — VE2ALE, SEC Quebec.

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Members of the Monroe County, Mich., AREC were asked by the local Civil Defense director to participate in a simulated man hunt Oct. 13. A patient was assumed to have escaped from an Ann Arbor hospital, carrying simulated radioactive material he had stolen. The escapee forced a motorist to drive to Monroe, about thirty miles from the hospital, threatening to open the canister containing the radioactive material if anyone tried to follow or stop him.

Mobiles were sent out on the search and AREC headquarters station WA8MTX assumed control of the network. Within an hour and a half the man had been "captured" and the canister, marked Radioactive Material, Simulated, was returned to the Civil Defense people. — WSNDM, EC Monroc County, Mich.

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For the second year, members of the Calgary Amateur Radio Association participated in an operation to have civic election returns gathered more rapidly. The eighty and two meter bands were used. VE6MX coordinated the v.h.f. effort while the eighty-meter base station was operated by VE6s AGU ALS and AWN. More than 300 messages were handled. — VE6ANS.

#### On October 29, 30 and 31, members of the Hamden (Conn.) AREC participated for at least the fifteenth year in "Operation Goblin." Twelve amateurs participated in the program to help the auxiliary police. The amateurs handled a substantial number of prank complaints, freeing the regular police patrols to handle other normal duties. — W1NFG.

The Queens County, N. Y., AREC/RACES was asked to supply communications for the 105th Precinct of the New York City Auxiliary Police on Halloween. Four mobiles and seven two-meter f.m. walkie-talkies were used in conjunction with a communication van supplied by the Red Cross. — WB2RXB, EC Queens County, N. Y.

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The Northwest Florida FM Association was asked by the local press and commercial radio and TV to assist in the collection of election returns, Nov. 5. Headquarters was set up at Fort Walton Beach while mobiles were dispatched to nine different precincts in the area. Since distances of 30 to 50 miles were involved, the two-meter repeater WA4-EVU at Destin was utilized. The polls closed at 1900 and all results were in by 2000. One of the local commercial radio stations had representatives at each poll to telephone the results. The radioed returns came in first in all instances. About fifteen amateurs participated either as mobiles or as operators at the base stations. — WARKH, SCM W. Fla.

Queens County, N. Y., EC WB2RXB was notified, on Nov. 12, by the Red Cross in Jamaica, N. Y., that high tides were expected that evening because of a high wind buffeting the Rockaway Peninsula. Since flooding was a distinct possibility, an alert was called in case evacuation became necessary. The two, six and ten meter AREC Nets were activated, but it was apparent immediately that the required number of mobile units would not be available. Kings County EC WA2UCP was contacted and agreed to supply additional mobiles for the operation. By 2100 the wind had shifted and it was decided that if any flooding occurred, it would not be until the high tide at 0130 the following morning. The nets were closed but the AREC remained on the alert until after the high tides passed, with no flooding. -- WB2RXB, EC Queens County, N. Y.

On Nov. 12 it was deemed necessary to continue the session of the New Jersey Emergency Phone Net after the normal session because of the many out-of-state stations calling in for information on weather conditions and storm damage in various parts of the state. Ten stations remained on the net frequency until 0220 GMT with WA2TEK as net control and W2PEV as alternate. — W2PEV.

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Forty-three SEC reports were received for the month of October, 1968, representing 15,654 AREC members. This is four fewer reports and just over 3000 less members than October, 1937. Sections reporting: Ala., Alta., Ark., B.C., Colo., Conn., Del., E. Fla., E. Mass., Ga., Ind., Kans., Ky., Mar., Mich., Mo., Mont., Nebr., N.H., N. Mex., NLI, N.C., N.N.J., Ohio, Okla., Org., Que., S.Dgo., S.F., S.C.V., Sask., S. Dak., S.N.J., S. Tex., Tenn., Utah, Va., Wash., W. Va., W. Fla., W.N.Y., and W. Pa.

#### National Traffic System

The principal complaint these days seems to be the lack of traffic. The Christmas rush kept us all pretty busy, but by the time you read this we'll be in the middle of the post-Christmas doldrums and many of our NTS nets will be suffering from traffic malnutrition, that disease which can be debilitating to any traffic net or system. Nets don't keep functioning if there is nothing to do, if all that happens



Members of the Apricot Net provided communications for the Cleveland (Ohio) Thanksgiving Day Parade. Some of the participants above are (I. to r.) W8SUS, WSOJF/8, WA8ULF, XYL W8UDG, WA8ULX, WA3QFK, Parade Coordinator Koch, WA8LEM, K8ONA, W8UDG.

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during a net session is a roll call or exchange of a few pleasantries or procedural signals. Some nets meet primarily for ragchewing, but NTS operators get on there for a purpose — to handle traffic and if there is none to handle, sooner or later they are going to stop showing up.

There is one very good solution to lack of traffic. Originate some! If we all originated just two messages a week during slack seasons it would assist greatly to alleviate the shortage in between times. Not silly, inconsequential messages such as thanking someone for a QSO or a birthday greeting to some ham you worked in the SS, but messages to friends or relatives or relatives of friends or friends of friends inquiring as to their welfare or giving a short piece of news of some kind. Do you know any servicemen overseas? Messages of this nature are welcome. now that we have a system for handling them, and the recipient usually really appreciates them. Ask for replies to the messages you originate, so traffic will flow in both directions and so that your net will get inflow as well as outflow.

Keep the texts short. So often one comes across a message with a check of 27 with a text that could have been said even better in fifteen words. The average originator seems to feel some sort of compulsion to be wordy, perhaps because it's free. We ought to discourage this tendency. The experience and satisfaction in handling a message is just as great — in fact greater — if the message is a short one, a concise one.

Traffic in NTS definitely has seasonal tendencies, and this can be noted in all traffic handling. The high month is always December, but the low month varies from year to year. In 1968 it was July, in 1967 it was July, in 1966 July. in 1965 January, in 1964 June, in 1963 January, in 1962 January, in 1964 September, in 1960 July. Records going even further back show a low month of May (1958), but this is unusual; Mother's Day usually keeps the totals up that month, as does Easter in April (or sometimes March) and Thanksgiving in November. August and September are usually helped along by "fair" traffic. June and July are definite doldrum months, when everybody is vacationing and there are few fairs or expositions.

The point is, don't holler about not having traffic if you never originate any yourself — that is, from your station. The game of traffic handling is not just getting a message from one station and giving it to another. It includes originating and delivering the traffic as well as relaying it.

It's a little late for New Year's resolutions (not actually, but it will be by the time you read this), but why not resolve (1) to report into your NTS net more often in 1969, and (2) to report in with at least one message on your hook every time you do so. Now for heaven's sake don't misunderstand us — we would 100% rather have you report in QRU than not report in at all because you have no traffic. But isn't the possibility of originating a message once in a while worth thinking about? — W1N.J.M.

November reports:

	Ses-	Traf-		Aver-	Represen-
Net	sions	fic	Rate	age	tation (%)
EAN	30	1749	1.260	58.3	97.8
CAN	30	1168	1.046	38,9	100.0
PAN	30	976	,933	32.5	100.0
1RN	60	582	.392	9.7	95.0
2RN	59	561	.716	9.4	95,3
3RN	60	583	.440	9.7	99.6
4RN	59	616	. + 46	10.3	91.9
RN5	60	675	.408	11.3	88.7
RN6	60	949	.655	15.8	88.9

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# The ARRL Museum of Amateur Radio



F look at some of the old tubes. In the upper panel of the photograph on the opposite page we have some early Western Electric receiving tubes. There's the J tube, not to be confused with the VT1. The former has a smooth plate; the latter is corrugated. Then there are some round bulb ones like the famous VT2 and some receiving amplifier tubes, both r.f. and a.f. At the far right of this display is a "mystery" tube. It is obviously a kenetron for high voltage, but it also bears a patent date of 1004, a little early, I think. Above it is a little "magnetron," a tubular diode which was used in RCA's synchronous detector. Not used by hams.

... On the next tier are some transmitting tubes. We have the CG1144A which was the immediate predecessor of the 203, some 203As of various makes, an "H" tube and the famous 852 which opened up the high frequencies with some substantial power. The more powerful tubes include a UV204, a "P" tube, the first 250 watter and a Mullard quarterkilowatt affair. This particular tube was used by Herbert Hoover, Jr. to get across the pond the transatlantic tests of 1921-1922.

. . . On the next two shelves down are some major items from the Stewart Collection. Charlie Stewart, 3ZS, was the League's first vice-president. Partially shown is his transmitting oscillation transformer, wound with very hard brass strip. A nice job. Next to it is the RCA tuning inductance which was very popular. The Clapp-Eastham rotary tuner has a flock of taps, 121 in number, I seem to recall when I did it over! Stewart also made a gem of a loosecoupler, here shown. Below is his spark transmitter housed in a heavy wooden box. The lid of the box supports the rotary gap. You can just see it in the far lower right. There is also a large high-voltage transformer and an old Thordarson spark transformer.

... Over in the second bay, top shelf, is a remarkably preserved complete station as it was in 1907. You should look this over sometime. Underneath are a variety of good old "Electrose" insulators, miscellaneous small items and a flock of telegraph sounders, etc. Just below are more small items including a variable mercury-rotary condenser. On the bottom there is representation of old-time spark transformers, Acme, Clapp-Eastham, etc. Incidentally, these are all in working condition.

... In the third bay, which you can't see too well in the photograph, are more tubes. Starting with a Fleming valve, there are, in addition a number of small receiving tubes, the UV 200, 200-a, etc. We have three-tiny triodes believed to have come from Edison's lab The elements are single fine-platinum wires. They are about the size of an automobile headlight. A rare Wireless Specialty triode, a sodion tube, some curious affairs with external grids and a flock of others are shown.  $\cdot$ . On the third shelf there is a "coffin" high-voltage transformer which has an open core and appears to have been copied from the famous United Wireless transformers of the day. One of Paul Godley's first receivers made and sold by the Adams Morgan Company is a monster having multiple variometers, large condensers, and lots of switches for series parallel connections, etc. and other doo-dads. Armstrong is said to have looked at it and told Godley that it wouldn't work below a thousand meters. Whereupon, Paul went to work and came up with the famous Paragon receivers, expressly designed for hams. Incidentally, this huge outfit has no detector — it's just a tuner.

. . . Referring to the top left of the photograph at the left is a shelf devoted to trophies, cups and the like. Here is Warner's famous "Transatlantic Derby" which he won as a bet with England's Burnham that a U.S. amateur would hear many American Stations in Gt. Britain. All old timers will recall the exploits of Paul Godley in Scotland during those tests of 1921– 1922. Hey, we have a handsome, carved trophy to be awarded for the first two-way amateur communication between Earth and Mars! Probably won't be claimed for some time, but this trophy has been here for some years now. Maybe it will come to pass after all. We're on the way, I think. The next two shelves are devoted to National Receivers. These include an SW3, SW5, SRR, 110, FB7 and an early HRO. Also we have the type AGS receiver which accompanied Byrd to Antarctica. It is still in good working order. On the bottom shelf is one of 9ZN's receivers.

. . . In the center bay are a number of famous Grebe receivers. We have six different types in all. Just underneath is a very famous receiver. This is the original single signal superheterodyne. The crystal filter in this rig is one of the finest ever designed, in this writer's opinion. It really peaked up a c.w. signal to the virtual exclusion of everything else nearby. In this bay are some homemade transmitters and receivers, including a first v.h.f. rig to get across the pond.

. . . In the right bay is a Kennedy type 110 and 2-step audio, a Tuska Superdyne Jr., and an arc transmitter. This latter is not a piece of ham gear, but is included because some amateurs did use arcs for c.w. I did, myself, and know they gave a lousy note. A large number of tubes, mostly "spares" are just below. Many of them will eventually be displayed separately. Lots of other goodies — Come see.

-WIANA, Curator.





#### EX-AMATEURS ELIGIBLE FOR NOVICE

The Federal Communications Commission has changed its rules governing eligibility for Novice. After January 24, any person who has not held an FCC amateur license in the twelve months preceding his application may take the Novice test. If successful, the applicant will receive a regular two-year Novice license.

At the same time, FCC turned down the ARRL request that Technicians who have not held Novice licenses during the past year also be eligible. Here is the text of the FCC's order in Docket 18266:

#### Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATION COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of

Amendment of Part 97 of the Commission's Rules concerning the Novice Class amateur radio license.

Amendment of Part 07 to extend special privileges to amateur Novice Class applicants and licensees over 40 years of age DOCKET NO. 18266 RM-1288

RM-1324

#### REPORT AND ORDER

Adopted December 12, 1968: Released December 18, 1968

By the Commission: Commissioner Robert E. Lee absent.

1. On July 26, 1968, the Commission released a Notice of Proposed Rule Making in the above-entitled matter for Docket 18266. The Notice was duly published in the Federal Register on July 31, 1968 (33 FR 10883) and all comments submitted in response thereto have been fully considered.

2. The rule change proposed in the Notice was suggested by the Electronic Industries Association (EIA) in a petition (RM-1288) and would permit a former holder of an amateur radio license to obtain the Novice Class license if he has not been licensed for at least the twelve months preceding the date of his application. The purpose is to afford persons who have been unlicensed for extended periods an opportunity to start as beginners in order to obtain the operating experience and proficiency for advancement in the field.

3. Almost without exception, the comments received support the proposal and urge prompt adoption of the rule change. Typical of the comments were the following:

"Early in my college days I was introduced to Amateur Radio. I studied for and obtained a Novice Class license. I was somewhat active, but my studies prevented a level of activity and study of code and theory to attain a General Class license... Now, however, I do find a little time when I could again be active. I further believe that I would be able to qualify for General or perhaps Advanced if I had the opportunity to work with CW as a Novice."

"My Novice license — expired on October 1, 1966 and I did not take the exam for a General license. I have no trouble at all sending and receiving code at the rate of 15 wpm, but I do have considerable difficulty with the mathematics of electronics necessary to get the higher license. I feel that if given the opportunity to have a Novice license for 2 years, I might be able to advance myself further."

4. One result of the proposed rule change would be to discontinue the practice of concurrent holding of the Novice and Technician Class licenses. There was objection to this limitation in a few of the comments, including the one submitted by the American Radio Relay League, Inc. (ARRL), based upon the contention that Technician Class licensees would be denied the opportunity to obtain code speed practice for advancement to higher class licenses. However, it does not appear that such advancement is dependent upon the holding of a Novice Class license. Technician Class licensees are able to utilize some of their assigned frequencies for on-the-air code speed practice. Alternatively, use can be made of code tapes, records, ARRL conducted code practice transmissions, and commercial station transmissions. The Commission finds, therefore, that eliminating concurrent availability of these two license classes is appropriate.

5. The EIA petition (RM-1288) contained other proposals considered in this proceeding. They contemplate, for the Novice Class license, reduction of the code speed requirement, a five-year renewable license term, additional frequency allocations, and



Frank Baker, Jr., W1ALP, receives the ARRL Certificate of Merit from Robert York Chapman, W1QV, (at right) director from the New England Division while Ed Murbeck, W1AKY, looks on. Frank was honored for his service as SCM of Eastern Massachusetts since March 11, 1940.



radiotelephony operating privileges. In a separate petition (RM-1324) which he requests to have considered in this proceeding, Mr. George Nims Raybin (WN2GWB) joins in the EIA proposals with the exception that he would limit the code speed reduction, the radiotelephony operating privileges, and the license renewal feature to persons who have reached forty years of age.

6. The additional EIA proposals were not favorably considered for the reasons detailed in the Notice. Basically, these proposals were found to require denial as being contrary to the purposes for which the Novice Class license is available. Nearly all of the comments concurred in this Commission finding. Mr. Raybin's proposal for an age qualification does not warrant a different determination since a licensee's age is not regarded as either a valid distinguishing factor or as an equitable one in this instance.

7. In consideration of the foregoing, the Commission concludes that amendment of Section 97.9(f) of its Rules as proposed, to permit the issuance of the Novice Class license to former amateur radio licensees who have been unlicensed for at least one year, is in the public interest, convenience, and necessity. Authority for this rule change is contained in Sections 4(i) and 303(r) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED That, effective January 24, 1969, Part 97 of the Commission's Rules is amended as set forth in the Appendix attached hereto.

8. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the petitions RM-1288 and RM-1324 have been fully considered, and, to the extent that they are at variance with findings and determinations herein, they ARE DENIED.

9. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That this proceeding IS TERMINATED.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION BEN F. WAPLE, Secretary

#### APPENDIX

1. Part 97 of the Commission's Rules is amended as follows:

1. Section 97.9(f) is revised as follows:

§ 97.9 Eligibility for new operator license.

(f) Novice class. Any citizen or national of the United States, except a person who holds, or who has held within the 12-month period prior to the date of receipt of his application, a Commission-issued Amateur Radio license. The Novice Class license may not be concurrently held with any other class of amateur radio license.

#### EXPERIMENTAL RESERVATION DENIED

FCC has denied a petition of Joseph Marshall, WA4EPY, filed in 1963, which proposed segments of at least 10 kHz. in each of the h.f. bands for experimental purposes only.

In denying the request, RM-250, the Commission said that the amateur service rules give wide latitude in the use of frequencies and modes of transmission because detailed technical standards are not specified.

Further, FCC will issue "special temporary authorizations" (STAs) so that amateurs may carry out experiments not permissible under the regular rules, as for instance the STAs granted to a number of amateurs for slow-scan TV in the

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The September cover plaque award went to William H. Fishback, W1JE, (second from left) for his article, "600 to 20,000 Meters." Bigelow Green, W1EAE, vice director from the New England Division makes the presentation, backed up by Ed Gosselin, W1BCN, (left) an assistant director, and Bob Edwards, K1LEK, president of the Cape Cod and Islands Radio Club.

h.f. bands, which led to a rules change last year. Application is made by letter addressed to Amateur and Citizens Radio Division, FCC, Washington, D.C. 20554. The exact nature of the experiment, the time period desired, and the qualifications of the applicant should be stated in detail. The applicant should also show the section numbers of rules he would like waived in order to carry out the experiment. FCC usually requests, in granting such authorizations, that a report be made to it upon completion of the tests.

#### AMATEUR LICENSE SUSPENDED FOR SUPERPOWER

The Amateur Radio Operator License K6EVR issued to Ronnie J. Camp, Temple City, California, has been suspended for three months for operation of the transmitter with excessive input power, in violation of Section 97.67 of the rules, in a Decision by a panel of the Review Board (Docket 17598). One member issued a statement that since, in his view, the violation was willful and there are no mitigating circumstances, he would suspend the license for a period of six months.

A Commission order released June 19, 1968, suspended Mr. Camp's license for six months, charging that he operated his amateur transmitter on March 18, 1967, with a power input exceeding one kilowatt to the plate circuit of the final RF amplifier stage, a direct violation of the rules. At Mr. Camp's request, he was granted a hearing that included issues to determine whether he had committed the violation, and if so, whether the facts or circumstances warranted any change in the suspension order. Hearing Examiner Jay A. Kyle, in an Initial Decision released August 2, 1968, concluded that Mr. Camp had violated Rule 97.67 and recommended affirming the six months suspension order. The panel of the Review Board concurred with the Examiner's decision, stating "it is clear and undisputed that the measurements of the first test transmission were made on Camp's meters and that

these measurements showed an input power well in excess of the authorized maximum. . ."

However, the majority of the Review Board panel noted the Examiner's findings that Mr. Camp has been a Commission licensee for 14 years, and has never before received notice or warning of any statutory or rule violation. "Based upon such findings," the majority said, "and the fact that this is Camp's first violation and relates to a single, not repetitious, incident, we think that under these circumstances a modification of the suspension order to the extent that the period of suspension ' The be reduced to three months is warranted. . . panel emphasized the fact that they did not find the evidence "in any manner" insufficient to sustain the conclusion that a violation of Rule 97.67 was committed, and that they do not regard the violation as "of a technical or minor nature."

[FCC news release, December 9, 1968]

# UNLICENSED C.B. OPERATOR GETS JAIL TERM

James F. Dilg, of Huntington Beach, California, was sentenced to six months in jail for failure to observe a court order to cease operating in violation of FCC Citizens Radio Service Rules. Dilg was sentenced by Judge Charles F. Carr of the Federal District Court, Central District of California. Judge Carr had issued a consent judgment on May 14, 1968 ordering Dilg to cease operation. His Class D CB license had been cancelled in November, 1966. The contempt sentence was based on findings that Dilg had continued to operate in defiance of the court order in June, July and November of 1968. (From FCC news release, December 11, 1968)

#### **RESTRICTIONS REMAIN ON 6 METERS**

FCC has denied the latest ARRL effort to keep six meters fully open to holders of renewable amateur licenses. Thus, the frequencies 50.0-50.1 MHz. remain restricted to holders of Extra and Advanced Class licenses, and presumably the further restriction of 50.0-50.25 MHz. will be allowed to go into effect on November 22, 1969 (unless FCC decides, in its own review of all "incentive licensing" segments, to hold off). The pertinent portion of FCC's order appears below:

... The ARRL requests amendment of Section 97.7(a), which provided that, effective November 22, 1968, the band 50.0-50.1 MHz will be reserved for the exclusive use of Advanced and Extra Class amateur licensees; and, effective November 22, 1969, extension of the reservation to include the band 50.0-50.25 MHz. To support this proposal, ARRL states us follows:

"The 50 MHz band, while interesting territory for all classes of amateurs, has been most widely used by Technician Class licensees. Although some of these amateurs will be encouraged by the subband restrictions to try for higher license status, most are believed to be either incapable of achieving Advanced or Extra Class status, largely because of the code requirements, or are unwilling to attempt it. The end result will be either an abandonment of the 50 MHz band, reversing the current trend toward more effective use of this assignment, or shift of operations to portions of the band fraught with interference problems."

Petitioner also asserts that many of the new amateurs who are getting their first taste of radiotelephony in the 50 MHz band "see little reason to try to obtain a higher class of license."

3. The Commission is not persuaded by these arguments. The 50.0-50.1 MHz subband, which was reserved exclusively for Advanced and Extra Class licensees on November 22, 1968, is now available only for radiotelegraphy. Accordingly, it is believed that the initial reservation will have little effect on the operating privileges of the Technician Class licensee. The reservation may cause some shifting of telegraphy operation to frequencies above 59.1 MHz by licensees who do not upgrade their licenses. However, the Commission does not believe, as suggested by petitioner, that this would create a problem of such significance that it would result in either the abandonment of the band or a shift in operating frequencies to a part of the band conducive to increased television interference. Further, in Docket 15928 the Commission said it would stay in whole or in part, as appropriate, any reserved frequency assignments which do not appear to be sufficiently occupied. This statement was reiterated in a number of Commission actions since the deter-

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Behind the Diamond Number 12 of a Series



Do all "airplane drivers" have blue eyes with a permanent twinkle, deeplytanned skin, and a fresh breezy approach to life? Maybe not, but **Carl L. Smith**, **WØBWJ** does. A captain for Western Air Lines, Inc., Carl has represented the Rocky Mountain Division of the League since January 1, 1961. He was vice director in 1957-1958, an assistant director in 1955-1956, and SCM in 1959-1960 of the Colorado Section.

nuination in Docket 15928, including the Order (Mimeo 20884) released August 13, 1968. The Commission's intention to review the suballocations remains unchanged. However, until the initial phase of the implementation has been accomplished and time allowed for necessary transitions, there is no real basis for evaluating the effects of frequency reservations on the Amateur Service in general and incentive licensing in particular.

4. Another contention by petitioner is that restricting the use of 50.0 to 50.1 MHz to the two top grades of license will have the practical effect of cutting the lower class licensees off from the opportunity they now have of communicating with more skilled amateurs in code. However, the reservation will have little or no effect on the General or Conditional Class licensees since they now have, and will continue to have, access to the lower frequency bands where radiotelegraph operation is plentiful. Moreover, telegraphy is permitted throughout the entire 50 MHz band and, therefore, there will be little, if any, effect on Technicians as a result of the initial reservation. It should be noted also that the problem of improving one's skill in the use of code is not unique to VHF-oriented amateurs. The same problem confronts most Novices and many licensees of long standing who, over the years, have concentrated on radiotelephone operation. The ability to send correctly formed code characters at a reasonable speed is one mark of an accomplished operator. While practice is essential to the achievement of that skill, on-the-air practice is not required. Those who do not have access to code tapes, records, or

Carl has served on the Executive Committee since 1966; during the 1968 election for this post he had the votes of all 15 of his colleagues on the Board. He has also been on the Public Relations Committee for three years (one as chairman) and three years on the Merit and Awards Committee.

His ready wit has lightened many a too-serious moment at Board Meetings, but his steady then has been more and better service to the public by amateurs. To this end, he has established annual PICON Awards in Utah, Wyoming, Colorado and New Mexico for an amateur in each state who performs an outstanding service in the "Public Interest, Convenience or New Silve" The phrase, whose initials complete the acrotym PICON, comes from the Communications Act of 1934 where it is used to measure nearly every service. This actions back up his words: he's a member of both the Amateur Radio Emergency Corps and the Radio Amateur Cavily Emergency Service.

Carl lives in Denver with his charming wife Terri and four children. He's a past president of the Denver Radio Club, has served as advertising manager for its publication *The Roundtable*, and is a Charter Life Member of ARRL.

other learning aids, may practice by listening to the ARRL conducted code practice transmissions, the transmissions of commercial stations, and to other amateurs. Without doubt, on-the-air communication is helpful in developing and refining operating procedures, but it is not essential to improving one's skill in code.

5. Finally, ARRL contends that the 50.0-50.1 MHz reservation will inhibit propagation study because the band may be open for long distance communications via the F2 layer of the ionosphere at the low edge and closed at 250 kc/s higher. The anomalies of propagation by the F2 layer are such that band openings would probably occur at 50.1 MHz as frequently as at 50.0 MHz. Although there may be differences in the length of the opening and the relative signal strength at the two frequencies, such differences would have little significance. In addition, the period in which F2 openings can be expected are so limited by sun spot activity, time of day, and season of the year that the impact of the initial reservation of the lower 100 kc/s of the band on the usability of the band for propagation studies is not believed sufficient to justify a change in the rules at this time.

6. As can be seen from the foregoing, the Commission does not find that the ARRL has presented factors which warrant the abandonment or suspension of the rule changes relating to reservation of the 50-50.25 MHz band. Accordingly, IT IS ()R-DERED That the American Radio Relay League, Inc., petition IS DENIED.

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INTERNATIONAL AMATEUR RADIO UNION, THE GLOBAL FEDERATION OF NATIONAL NON-COMMERCIAL AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETIES FOR THE PROMOTION AND CO-ORDINATION OF TWO-WAY AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNICATION

#### HAM RADIO AT THE OLYMPICS

During the Olympic Games in Mexico, amateur radio stepped in to play an instrumental role. Station 4A3P was activated from the Caleta Hotel which housed over 700 male contestants and committee members. A six-meter f.m. net was used to aid local communications and liaison with the Chief of the Olympic Committee. The station also operated s.s.b. on 40 through 6 meters. It is reported that the response to the station by Olympic competitors and foreign dignitaries was remarkable.



The station operated from October 13-27 and contacted more than 600 stations in 80 countries. Pictured above is XE1AL standing, and sitting from left, XE1PY and XE1GE. Other participating amateurs were XE1IK, XE1CK, XE1FE, and XE11HHQ.

#### LOST IN THE BUSTLE?

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With the "bustling metropolis" now a way of life in all nations — agricultural and industrial what problems are created for amateur radio? The Amateur Radio Society of India reports, "It seems amateur radio is not making much headway in the large cities of our country as the folks keep busy in many other activities and have no time for this hobby." There is hardly any interest in amateur radio as well as other scientific hobbies.

ARSI suggests that attention be directed toward the villages. India has many village schools well-equipped with science laboratories and hobby centers — an excellent environment in which to introduce youth to amateur radio. Plus, the villagers have increased leisure time to devote to amateur radio. There are currently slightly more than 400 radio amateurs in India. ARSI points out that amateur radio could play an important role in scientific development and provide vital links of communications in emergencies and looks toward India's educational authorities for assistance.

#### WORKED ALL CONTINENTS?

During 1968, IARU headquarters issued a total of 2000 WAC awards. They included 857 for s.s.b., 3 for RTTY, 3 for 1.8 MHz. and 1 for 3.5 MHz. work. If you are interested in applying for this award, send to the IARU society in your country a confirmation from each of the six continents (North America, South America, Europe, Africa, Asia, and Oceania) along with your name and address and sufficient return postage.

# 1969 IARC PROPAGATION RESEARCH COMPETITION

The International Amateur Radio Club (4U1ITU) announces sponsorship of the 1968 Propagation Research Competition. The aim of the contest is to provide information on prevailing propagation conditions between each of the International Telecommunications Union's zones as a function of amateur band used, month and solar activity. The object is for amateurs around the world to contact as many other amateurs in as many different CPR Zones as possible. The contest period is, for c.w. and RTTY, from 0001 GMT March 1, to 2400 GMT March 16, and for phone, from 0001 GMT March 29 to 2400 GMT April 13. Any of the amateur bands from 1.7 to 30 MHz. can be used: several entry classes will be accepted; and, certificates will be available for high scorers. For further information and log forms write the International Amateur Radio Club, 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland. All entries must be postmarked no later than June 1, 1969 and sent to L. M. Rundlett, W3ZA, Chairman, IARC Contest Committee, 2001 Eye Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006.

#### ALL SIZES

How large is a national amateur radio society? Our IARU membership roster shows that the "average" society membership is slightly over 4000. However, by this definition, only about three or four of the IARU societies are "average" in size — most are either smaller or larger. The Bahamas Amateur Radio Society for example has 20 members, while the American Radio Relay League serves 100,000. Other large societies include the Radio Sports Federation of the USSR with 71,000; the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club (Germany) with 18,000; the Japan Amateur Radio League with 23,000; and, the Savez Radioamatera Jugoslavije (Yugoslavia) with 30,000.

#### DX OPERATING NOTES

#### **Reciprocal Operating**

(Bold face indicates changes since last list.) United States Reciprocal Operating Agreements currently exist only with: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Barbados, Belgium, Bolivia, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Finland, France, Germany, Guyana, Honduras, India, Ireland, Israel, Kuwait, Luxembourg, Monaco, Nether-lands, Netherlands Antiles, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Norway, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Portugal, Sierra Leone, Surinam, Switzerland, Trinidad and Tobago, United Kingdom and Venezuela. Several other foreign countries grant FCC licensees amateur radio operating privileges on a courtesy basis; write headquarters for details.

Canada has reciprocity with: Bermuda, France, Germany, Israel, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Nicaragua, Norway, Senegal, Switzerland, United Kingdom, U.S. and Venezuela.

#### Third-Party Restrictions

Messages and other communications --and then only if not important enough to justify use of the regular international communications facilities - may be handled by U.S. radio amateurs on behalf of third parties only with amateurs in the following countries: Argentina, Barbados (only U.S. stations/-8P) Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Greenland (XP calls only), Haiti, Honduras, Israel, Liberia, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela, Permissible prefixes: CE CM CO CP CX EL HC HH HI HK HP HR LU OA PY TI VE VO W or K/8P XE XP YN YS YV ZP 4X and 4Z. Canadian hams may handle these same type third-party messages with amateurs in Bolivia, Chile, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Honduras, Israel. Mexico, Peru, U.S. and Venezuela. Permissible prefixes are: CE CP HR K OA TI W XE YS YV and 47.

#### **DX** Restrictions

U.S. amateur licensees are warned that international communications are limited by the following notifications of foreign countries made to the ITU under the provisions in Article 41 of the Geneva (1959) conference.

Cambodia, Thailand and Vietnam forbid radio communication between thier amateur stations and such of other countries. U.S. amateurs should not work HS XU XV or 3W8. Canadian amateurs may not communicate with Cambodia, Laos, Thailand, Vietnam and Jordan. Prefixes to be avoided are HS JY XU XV XW8 and 3W8.



Recently, the Radio Society of Ceylon received W7EOC and W5EYC of the S.S. HOPE as guests. Pictured from left to right are (standing) SWL Sabdrasegram, 4S7LB, SWL Perera, 4S7DW, 4S7PG, 4S7WJ, RSC President 4S7LM, W7EOC, RSC Treasurer Paumaperuma, 4S7BC, 4S7NE, (sitting) SWL deSilva, 4S7RN, 4S7WP, SWL Somapala, 4S7EA, and RSC Secretary 4S7EC. The Radio Society of Ceylon has a membership of 103, and conducts the Southeast Asia Network daily at 1200 GMT on 14,320 kHz. (W5EYC photo)



Project Moonray (see Nov. 1967 QST, pg. 56) bulletins are transmitted by K2SS on Mondays (Tuesday GMT) from Garden City, Long Island, New York. RTTY bulletins are on 14.090 to Europe at 0001 GMT (Tuesday), to Africa at 0015 GMT, to USA (beamed south) at 0200 GMT and (beamed west) at 0210 GMT. S.s.b. bulletins are on 14.235 to Europe at 0030 GMT, to Africa at 0040 GMT, to USA (beamed south) at 0300 GMT, and (beamed west) at 0310 GMT. No bulletins will be transmitted on the first Monday of each month. Further information about Moonray may be obtained by writing Nastar, P.O. Box T, Syosset, L.I., New York 11791.

#### QST Congratulates . . .

Lawrence LeKashman, W9IOP, appointed president of Electro-Voice, Inc.

Kenneth G. Bucklin, W2CDP, on his retirement as Commercial Engineering Manager of RCA Electronic Components.

Julio Ereneta, W6ZOM, recipient of the San Diego County "Ham of the Year" award.

Doug Christensen, W500G, decorated for his actions during Hurricane Beulah.

Beryl Mattison, K7CFC, featured as "Man Behind the Counter" in Associated Grocers publication Ink.

J. Leonard Walker, VE2UK, elected president of the Bank of Montreal.

Joe Kochls, W7CXT, on receiving the Carnegie Hero's Award.

D.C. Summerford, W4FR, retiring Chief, U.S. Army Strategic Communications Command-CONUS Thomasville Georgia Facility.



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#### PHONE PATCHES

I Apparently you have judged phone-patches as unjustifiably occupying space in our crowded h.f. bands (December editorial) and suggest that requests for this service be refused with the alternative that any message be handled through regular traffic nets. Considering the convenience and low cost of telephone calls today, I agree that domestic phone-patches satisfy no essential need during normal conditions. But the same can be said of regular traffic nets and their less-certain delivery of messages. Paradoxically, almost all traffic delivery by NTS is by telephone and some, worse yet, by mail. However, traffic nets are not maintained for normal conditions but as practice for emergencies. Arguments favorable to - and against phonepatches - can be identically applied to the traffic nets so vigorously applauded by QST. And phonepatches do have the overwhelming advantage of personal contact, immediate knowledge of success of delivery, and wider public participation and support than that given NTS where a large volume of the traffic handled is originated by net members.

I believe it is premature for QST, where phonepatches have rarely been acknowledged in the past, to condemn the service without adequate consideration of the huge potential for ham public service. Instead, ARRL might study development of national and international phone-patch nets with the same vigor that NTS is supported. — Matthew Lefkowitz, WB4KRR, Heradon, Virginia.

[EDITOR'S NOTE: It is not the text of a message handled by amateur radio which is most important (short of emergency, of course), but rather the training it provides the operators handling it.]

If one considers the logic which you use in most of the article, the major two points seem to be: (1) An amateur by virtue of his license ought to have the right to carry on third-party traffic which is legal; (2) An individual ought to have the right to use his telephone in a manner which does not disrupt the normal operation of the telephone equipment (whether or not he should pay for this privilege does not affect the logic of the argument at present). . . . Your statement about not running patches within the country is, however, untenable. Sure we could use the land line or send recordings. For that matter we could write letters or send telegrams instead of using NTS; but, we prefer to do things by amateur radio, because that is our hobby, and we enjoy doing things by amateur radio. Phone patches are no exception. Extending your irrational statement to its extreme would imply that we should stop talking to each other within the continent and send tapes back and forth. Perhaps you should change the name of ARRL to ATRL (American Tape Relay League). -- Benjamin H. Gorsky, W8IUS, Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

 $\P$  The complaint that domestic phone patches overerowd our h.f. bands is certainly true. It was suggested that when we hear someone calling "CQ Miami, phone patch," we suggest they use the landline.

We heartily agree! By the same reasoning we can eliminate the W1AW code practice sessions and suggest the listeners purchase code tape machines. Then too, we could eliminate more overcrowding by ceasing to have contests. Instead, suggest chain letter writing.

Well then, just what are the ham bands for? In case we've forgotten (or didn't know), the frequencies were given us to help us improve our technical knowledge and ability. The correspondence from readers in QST shows we lack considerably in maturity when we write in soapboxing our particular interest and damning those interested in another facet of the hobby. A well-rounded ham should participate in all areas at one time or another.

As for the legal aspect, FCC and mother Bell both know that an unenforceable law is in fact not a law. Finally, as to interference to phone lines caused by phone patches: Balderdash! We have yet to hear a complaint of crosstalk. Telephone engineers know an overdriven phone line could only break over into other wires in the same cable connecting a patch and the central office — not a whole exchange!

All in all, it appears this editorial does not represent the beliefs of the majority of the ARRL membership, FCC, or the Bell System. -- Robert L. Keplinger, KØCTK, Kansas City, Mo.

 $\P$  I am pleased to see an honest, factual report of the present status of "foreign attachments" and telephone company tariffs. Most non-telephone industry publications, including other amateur publications and newspapers, have indicated that anything is now permissible. It is nice to see the whole complex situation so well summarized.

I am a former employee of "Ma Bell" and am still very interested in the telephone business. I subscribe to a weekly telephone trade journal and have been following the latest developments in the area of new tariffs permitting connection of devices formerly considered "foreign." You do justice to the situation. — Ronald E. Guentzler, WSBBB, Ada, Ohio.

#### 2-YEAR WAIT FOR EXTRA

**(** The two-year waiting period for the Extra Class license is no longer justified. It seems, a prospective or new amateur cannot have full privileges for two

years. This is unjust; it's a hangover from earlier days when the Extra Class ticket was merely a prestige license and when full privileges were conveyed by the General ticket. This rule, perhaps, discourages more newcomers to amateur radio than any other single facet of the incentive licensing system jammed down our throats last month. If a person can pass the Extra exam after less than two years, of operating, he has the competence to hold the license. — Mark Connelly, WA110N, Arlington, Mass.

[EDITOR'S NOTE: The waiting period is a "hangover," not from the days when the Extra was only a prestige license, but long before that when the Class A conveyed special phone privileges and had its own waiting period.]

#### I FLUNKED

 $\P$  Ever since the incentive licensing issue started, I have been reading many letters in QST from hams tooting their own whistle about passing their Extra Class exam. I thought maybe some of the readers would like to know that not everybody passed. I flunked. — Al Reed, WSWVU, Manitou Bcach, Michigan.

#### ARRL MUSEUM

 $\P$  Just to keep the records straight, the ARRL Museum (QST, Oct.) acquired its first cabinets and cards in 1936 or early 1937. The late Clinton B. DeSoto, author of *Two Hundred Meters and Down*, managed the exhibit and wrote most of the cards explaining the contributions. Many of these cards hore the DeSoto trademark of bountiful polysyllabic phraseology. His classical description of the correct use of the Rettysnitch is retained to this day, as are many other of his colorful word pictures.

Further, Curator W1ANA modestly failed to mention that it was hc, Roland Bourne, who spent the hundreds and hundreds of hours restoring the many pieces to their present immaculate condition. The Museum is very fortunate to have such a talented and devoted Curator. — Byron H. Goudman, W1DX, East Hartford, Conn

#### FREE SPEECH

I am among the hams who consider rag chewing an important and enjoyable aspect of amateur radio. I do not think so many QSOs should consist merely of signal report, QTH, name, rig, weather and 73. I am always pleased when I tind someone who likes to discuss social and political issues, and other topics of mutual interest though not related to ham radio.

Apparently some hams feel that discussions of controversial issues should not be carried on via ham radio. On several occasions when I was expressing my opposition to the Vietnam War in a QSO, someone has broken in on the frequency, chewed me out for my views, and refused to identify himself. I usually respond by inviting the breaker to join our discussion, but it doesn't work — these guys won't give their calls.

Such operating practices are illegal, but what is more important, they are rude. In these times when lack of communication is the cause of distrust and even violence, 1 think hams should use our means of communication for furthering understanding; and at the very least, everyone should let his fellow hams talk about whatever interests them. — Frank*H. Letton, K4RAD/6, Berkeley, Calif.*   $\P$  Is a LID the guy who breaks in without ID when your 15-year-old daughter is discussing the U.N. problems with a bright young man and tells her that she should get off the air with that stuff because ham radio is a hobby?

Or is it the same character who, when the OM finally shames him into ID-ing, says that our hobby is governed by an unwritten law restricting our conversations to weather, rigs, antennas and technical talk, and precludes religion, sex and politics?

To me, our hobby provides the opportunity to serve, to build, to be prepared for emergencies, but most of all, to ragchew in a relaxed, friendly manner. Just between us, I don't give a damn if another ham is running a Swan, a Goose or a Duck. It matters less whether his skywire is a Zepp or a Schlepp. If he is alive, alert and aware, he's the joe I want on the other end of a QSO. Hams like that are hard to come by, and I resent some unprincipled idiot who suffers from controversyphobia trying to keep us quiet! If the issues of the moment offend him, let him reach for the on-off switch instead of the p.t.t. switch! — Jay C. Jacobson, WA3CQO, Philadelphia, Pa.

[EDITOR'S NOTE: These are good points. Yet we must be careful not to carry them to a ridiculous (and possibly fatal) extreme. See the editorial this month for further comment.]

#### SINCE NOVEMBER 22

 $\mathbf{Q}$  The greatest change noticed in the lower 25 kc. of the c.w. bands since the new regulations went into effect is not occupancy, but the lack of U.S. stations calling "CQ DX." Many can still be heard in the higher portions, however.

There must be a correlation between the call "CQ DX" and the class of license. — Tom Orr, W6EIF, Placentia, Calif.

 $\P$  1 have had a General license continuously for 40 years and during this time operated almost exclusively c.w. By incentive licensing you are wrecking true amateur radio. On 20 meters for example the foreign amateur has phone almost exclusively from 14,100 to 14,200 kcs. Then you give them for all intents and purposes, along with a few electronic specialists and engineers, 14,000 to 14,025 kc. and next year 14,000 to 14,050 kc. And then RTTY occupies sometimes up to 30 kc. between 14,070 and 14,100. So that leaves the regular c.w. operator at present with 14,025 to 14,070 and next year you will leave him with a paltry 20 kc.

You are killing off the regular amateur radio c.w. operator.

l will never even consider belonging to ARRL again as long as there is incentive licensing. *Edward D. Wells, W8EW, Grand Rapids, Mich.* 

 $\P$  Contrary to many black prophets I found no chaos in the upper reaches of any band. I did note many stations crowding too close to 14.2 MHz. with trailing sidebands and splatter well below the limit.

Thank you for your efforts with FCC and others concerning incentive licensing. I strongly have believed for years that the strength in annateur radio is the quality and not the quantity of operators. The 22nd of November will rest in annateur history as a new dawn of strength for us. — Gary Davis, K1LEM, Williston, Vermont.



#### CONDUCTED BY LOUISE RAMSEY MOREAU,\* WB6BBO

### Where the Action is . . .

O<sup>NE</sup> nice part of amateur radio is that this activity is filled with tangibles. There is a great satisfaction in looking at that rainbow of certificates on our walls, as well as that special gratification of knowing that their acquisition wasn't easy. When we entertain non-amateur visitors and have to answer that inevitable question, "But just what do you get out of all this?," we point out the array of these trophies of the chase. Quite often we are faced with another query from these visitors that involves that well known phrase used in news items about major disasters, that the only link with the outside world is through 'ham radio operators,' and we are asked, "Have you ever done anything like that?" If we have, and there are hundreds of YLs who can claim that distinction, our friends will be treated to exciting experiences of amateur communications during a disaster.

If these people should ask gals such as WA1GAB, K2JBN, K2KQC, W4WQM, K5HFW, W5LGY, K7CHA, K7DCH, K8CHW, K8LGA, K8ONV, W9ENU, W9MUL, W9QYY, W9RTH, K9ZLB, WØDVB, WAØJEV, KØONK, WØZWG, WØZWL, KL7FLS, KL7BJD, or VE7BBB, they'd really get an earful of stories, for these women all hold appointments as <u>Emergency Coordinator in the AREC</u>, while \*YL Editor, *QST*, Please send all news notes to WB6BBO's home address; 1036 East Boston St., Altadena, Calif, 91001.



K4LMB, Ethel Smith, SEC, Virginia ARRL Section.



W2RUF, Clara Reger, SEC, WNY ARRL Section

K4LMB, WA4EFP, and W2RUF have been appointed Section Emergency Coordinator for their ARRL Sections.

These twenty-seven women are the ones who are responsible for the emergency communications set-up within their communities which are located in 17 states, as well as one Canadian province. To them goes the job of knowing the amateurs of their areas who are AREC members. But they do far more than just sign and mail out that little vellow membership card. These gals organize and maintain the regularly scheduled AREC nets, and are constantly planning the operation that these nets will use if disaster should strike their particular community. Some of their nets have been in existence for over ten years without a single break in the pattern of drill nights, even when it occurred on Christmas and New Year's Eve! One EC said, "True, they were very short drills, but we maintained the premise that disaster is no respecter of holidays." Another wrote that while these drills might seem cut-and-dried they "sure paid off" when a sudden disaster activated the net without any previous warning. "You should have heard those kids check in just as if it were another net drill," she wrote. "No fuss, no QRM, all business."

AREC membership is a vital part of any EC's activity. Some of the YLs have developed some pretty tricky methods for recruiting members, as in one case where the lady simply took a handful of application blanks to Field Day and collared every amateur who showed up at the site.
These gals know their area and keep in contact with the local American Red Cross chapter and other disaster agencies to make sure they are aware of AREC's existence in the community.

Does it all sound like a lot of work for a very little reward other than a certificate of appointment and a title? Those are merely the tangible evidence that she can show. For her, the trophies of the chase are the intangibles. The stimulation of operating under extraordinary conditions can never be put into words: The knowledge that she and the many, many AREC members are able to lend themselves, their equipment, their skills and trained to know how to keep their community in touch with the rest of the country when other, normal forms of communication have broken down, or are overloaded.

This is where the action is because it is the raison  $d' \partial tre$  of our wonderful "hobby." For "Amateur Radio exists as a hobby because it qualifies as a Service."

## 1968 YLRL Anniversary Party Results WINNERS:

Corcoran Award	K5YIB*	9,827.50
Phone Cup	K5YIB*	8,215
C.w. Cup	WA8USU*	1,997.50
North American Hager Award	VE3GTI*	5,478.75
World DX Hager Award	PY2SO	7,520

#### C.W. SCORES

K1QFD*	1,705	WA8USU*	1,997.50
WB2OQU*	1,899.50	WASEKQ*	1,640
WB2PYI	1.247	K80NV	1,304
WA2WHE*	517.50	K8ITF*	1,295
W2EBW	391	WA8FSX	1.025
K3SQX*	700	K8LHF*	688,50
W3CDQ	306	WA8ARJ	498.75
WA3ATQ co	nfirmation	WA9HLW	1,912.50
WA4BVD*	1,860	W9GHO*	1,365
K4RHU*	1,187	WA9TVM	1,053
W4HWR	36	KØEVG	520
K5YIB*	1,612.50	VE1AMB	180
K5LUZ*	1,062.50	VE3GTI*	1,631.25
W5QWI*	776.25	VE5DZ*	665
WA6M1W*	1,020	VE6ANK	1,408
K6VFE	528	VE6ABV	1,334
K6DLL*	225	PY2SO	2,016
K6HHD*	100	VK5KS*	1,595
WA7BDD*	852,50	YV5CKR/1	1,540
		ZL2JO*	390



Jessie, WA6OET making her acceptance speech as ISSB president. Left to right: K4ICA, founder of ISSB, WA6OET, WAØJIE



Photo of TV program on KCOP, Hollywood featuring Army MARS Vietnam Public Service operation. Left to right Lenore Jensen, W6NAZ/A6NAZ, who provided contact between 6500 servicemen and their families in 1968, Bob Burns, WB6KPR/AL6KPR, Sgt. Dick Sandler, then NCS at AA6WAH, Fort MacArthur, now in Vietnam, Mrs. Hap Saunders who represented the families of the servicemen in RVN and the program moderator Florence Thalheimer of the KCOP staff. (Photo courtesy WB6KPR)

#### PHONE SCORES

WB2OQU <sup>2</sup>	* 1,885	K8VCB	2,840
W2OWL	1,800	WA8FSX*	1,938.75
WA2WHE	* 630	WA8KMT	832
W2EEO	143	K8TVX*	776.25
W3RJX*	1,020	WA8USU*	225
WA3AOJ	989	K9LUI	6,902
W3MDJ	confirmation	KØEPE	4.940
K4AOH*	4,350	WØJUV*	3,638,75
W4HWR	3,984	KØEVG	3,008
K4RHU*	3,270	VE3GTI*	3,847,50
W4EHN	1,976	VE4ST*	1,080
W4TVT	confirmation	VE6ABP*	2,635
K5YIB*	8,215	VE3ANK	2,480
K5LUZ	5,750	DL3LS*	525
WA5JFZ	3,276	DJ2YL	1,980
K5MIZ*	937.50	JH1GMZ	442
K6DLL*	6,875	PY2SO	5,504
W.16.10E	2,920	VK2AOK*	6.655
K6VFE	1,984	VK3KS	4.859
K6KCI*	1,207.90	VK7ZA	216
K7UBC*	3,753,75	ZE1JE	312
W7NJS	confirmation	ZL2JO*	2.920
WA7FLC	confirmation	ZS50B	1,365
K8ITF*	4,565	ZS2AA	confirmation
WA8EKQ	* 2.945		

#### Combined PHONE and C.W. scores

1.11110	0 997 50	LEVED	0.510
N911DT	9,627.30	LOVLE	2.512
K6DLL*	7,100	WA8USU*	2.220.50
K5LUZ	6,812.50	W.18WHE*	1.147
K8ITF*	5,860	PY2SO*	7,520
K4RHU*	5,385	VK3KS*	6,454
WA8EKQ*	4,585	VE3GTI*	5.478.75
W4HWR	4,020	VE6.ANK	3,888
K8FSX*	2,953.75*	ZL2JO*	3,310

Note: Asterisk after a call means low-power multiplier was claimed. Asterisk after a score means low-power multiplier was claimed for one contest and not the other.

W4TVT, YLRL VP says I appreciated the good sportsmanship shown by the YLs who turned in scores when they knew they were way down. All round courtesy was noted. If some scores appear changed they are mostly for the better as some forgot to credit the DX and some added wrong. Some very good scores had to be deleted because they were postmarked after the deadline.

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WA6OET, and her OM, Pete, as she received the Presidential Trophy of the ISSB. Jessie, is the first YL to become ISSB president.



The actual "birth" of the Alaska Lassies certificate at the home of KL7FJW. Left to right KL7FQQ, a non-licensed neighbor, KL7FJW, KL7GFU.



Alaska Lassies Certificate.

#### C.L.A.R.A. Net

The CLARA club has set up a net which meets every Tuesday with two time spots. The frequency is 14.160 MHz. There will be a morning net from 1300 to 1600 GMT, and an evening net from 2300 to 0200 GMT. Net control station will be VE3BII, Jan Burgess. Both YLs and OMs are invited to check in on both s.s.b. and c.w.

#### Meet the Club — The Alaska Lassies

When Betty Marsh, KL7JFW, earned her call in 1966, she started a YL-hunt for other KL7 women. So she checked her Call Book, wrote a lot of postcards, and the result was a casual rag chew group of YLs meeting on 75 meters. They met to discuss the sort of thing with which we all are so familiar in our daily routine such as swapping salmon or moose recipes, cabin building, mukluk sewing, and floods.

For a while, the kaffee klatsch type of net continued, but then they decided to issue a certificate. Now, a certificate requires the signature of a presiding officer, so the Alaska Lassies became an official on-the-air club in 1968. That it be strictly on the air as a club was a necessity, for the 14 members were widely scattered. Six are in the Fairbanks area, two in Tanana, 135 miles west, two more in Anchorage, 200 miles south, two others are at Nandalton, 185 miles southwest of Anchorage, and two are located midway between Fairbanks and Anchorage, at Healy, and Lake Minchumina, Alaska. Really a far-flung group for one state.

The membership is made up of military wives, a miner's wife, homesteaders, teachers, pilots, missionaries, and a village chief's wife.

The net meets Mondays at 8:30 A.M., AST, and Wednesdays at 7:30 P.M., AST, on 3.866 MHz., and all YL amateurs are invited to participate.

The net certificate is a real souvenir of Alaska, with the State Flower, the Forget-me-not, the smiling little "Kuspuk Kid," with her calico kuspuk (a sort of Alaskan Mumuu) and mukluks. To acquire it, amateurs in the 49 States and Canada must submit log information of having worked five Alaska Lassies; DX amateurs submit log information of having worked three; and Alaska amateurs must submit log information of having worked seven of the members. The custodian is Rose Rybachek, KL7FQQ. QST-



#### Feedback

In the Field Day results (November QST), the score of the Binghamton Amateur Radio Assn., W20W/2, was omitted. This group was in Class 5A and totaled 3673 points (ABC power, 15 operators, 502 contacts.) Sri, OMs.

Robert Leo, whose article on impedance matching appeared in December QST, is now W7LR.

A last-minute change in transistor types used in the Andrews' article on "Transistorized A.G.C. And Squelch Circuits" which appeared on page 40 of the December 1968 issue of QST results in a more-rapid switching time in the squelch circuit and hence a characteristic "pop" is heard when the squelch opens or closes.

The current rating of silicon diode  $CR_1$  in K6-KOL's t.r. switch in Hints & Kinks, January QST, should have been 500 ma. instead of 50 ma.





Here are photos of where some of the action took place during the International Jamboree-on-the-air, October 18-20, 1968. Left, is K2BFW, club station of the Boys' Life Radio Club which made over 250 contracts with



Scouts throughout the world. Right, W3RXP/3, Troop 90 of Blessed Sacrament parish, Washington, D.C., is shown. They contacted Scouts in 16 countries.

#### Mailing the Club Bulletin

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the costs of the permit and mailing fee offsets any possible saving. Over 1100 you do save money. There will be an additional saving the second year and subsequent years because the \$15 permit cost is a one-time item. After the first year the savings would start if you mail 700 plus pieces a year.

Not qualifying for the non-profit category, your rate is 3.8¢ per piece which means that the first year break-even point would be about 2100 pieces per year.

The non-profit mailing permit is available to eight categories and these are: religious, educational, scientific, philanthropic, agricultural, labor, veterans and fraternal. You can qualify only if you are in one of these categories and a statement from the Internal Revenue Service that you qualify as a non-profit organization is not sufficient. Applicants must show in their By-Laws what the intern of the organization and if it is not shown there, your documentation must prove the point. Second-class mailing is very difficult to qualify for and it is doubtful that few, if any, club publications could qualify for this rate.

#### Free Information

There are a number of informational pamphlets available from the Post Office for the asking and these do supply a lot of basic information. These include: Domestic Postage Rates (POD No. 3) Mailing Permits (POD No. 13)

How to Prepare Second and Third Class Mailings (POD No. 21).

How to Address Mail (POD No. 28)

It is frequently possible to borrow a National Zip Code Directory rather than shelling out \$7.50 to purchase one. It is best to ZIP Code your mail inasmuch as distribution operations for outgoing mail is largely done by ZIP number now, and this is true whether it is distributed mechanically as is done in a few of the largest post offices or by hand as it is done in most of the offices.

In my own instance I mail a bulletin weekly, the West Coast DX Bulletin. Except for overseas subscribers and exchange copies, it goes in the mail Saturdays as first class and is regularly delivered throughout the United States Monday morning . . . every copy is ZIPped. The Post Office still moves a lot of mail a long distance and in a short time. No one will claim these days it is perfect but you can still get a lot of service for 6¢ . . . and possibly a lot more if you understand the regulations a little.



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#### CONDUCTED BY BILL SMITH,\* WB4HIP

#### What is "Communication?"

W<sup>E</sup> have been communicating as amateurs for a good number of years, but no one has precisely defined what communication is, for purposes of awards and other recognition. Generally, a QSO has been accepted as authentic if complete calls, a signal report and confirmation of this information having been received is acknowledged by both stations. This, too, has been shortened, especially in contests. Some contests require only identification of the calls and confirmation. Accepting anything less should not be considered.

Meteor-scatter and weak-signal operators have established among themselves the requirement of an exchange of calls, signal report, usually consisting of one letter and one numeral, and a confirmation from both stations that the information was received. Such an exchange leaves no doubt. If there is a doubt, or if one has to use the telephone, a tape recorder, or another band to confirm what he thinks he has received, then true communication cannot be said to have been established.

In some circles, an exchange of calls and contirmation has been accepted. I, personally, would accept this as an authentic two-way contact, but most v.h.f. DXers favor the longer exchange. The extent to which this "unwritten law" is policed is indeed a credit to the integrity of the v.h.f. DXer. In nearly two years of writing this column and sifting through some 4,000 reports, I have yet to encounter a contact I would consider an outright fraud. There have been questionable situations, but after investigation, these were attributed to over-zealousness, or a hoax not the fault of both operators.

Now we come to the point of this writing. In recent years there has been considerable work done developing weak-signal reception techniques. Some systems are capable of detecting signals that are below the audible threshold. Such a signal can not be copied by ear directly, but can be received if, through some special detection system, it keys an audio oscillator, or is displayed upon a scope or strip-chart recorder. The question is — can all, none, or some of these systems be employed for valid communication?

Working intently for several months, WB6IOM perfected a system which allows him to detect the presence of signals he has yet to hear. It is with this system, that on November 9, WB6IOM exchanged information of sorts with G3LTF.

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The distance, 5492 miles, exceeds the existing W1BU — KH6UK record by approximately 400 miles. The information exchanged consists of a series of five-second dashes recorded on a stripchart, Fig. 1. The operators used a code of twosecond dashes until reception was established, and then the five-second dashes signifying reception. Both stations having received the fivesecond dashes is considered to be two-way confirmation. However, there is nothing to indicate an exchange of calls, a previouslyaccepted requirement. Visual means were not necessary for G3LTF to copy WB6IOM. The California signals were audible to the ear in England, rising several decibels over the noise level.

At this point, 1 wish to make extremely clear I do not question that Fig. 1 does indeed record the signal of G3LTF as received at WB6IOM. But I feel that we need identification to qualify this work as a new record.



Here is the antenna system at K4IXC. From top to bottom; 12-over-12 on 220, 30-foot 144-MHz. Yagi, eight 11-element Tilton Yagis on 432 and a 1296 horn. The boxes house the converters. (K4PDV photo)



Fig. 1—Stripchart recording of G3LTF's 1296-MHz. moonbounce signal received at WB6IOM. The heavy horizontal bar outlines the 5-second reception periods. Nine such key-down dashes were received, five are shown here. Stripchart courtesy WB6IOM.

Everyone applauds WB61OM and G3LTF for their fine work, and I have no doubt that they will move into the "records" box before long, just as I have no doubt that their DX, too, will be bettered. That is what's happening in the world above 50 MHz.

#### 50 MHz. in the Pacific

Although stateside 50-MHz. DXers have been disappointed with the lack of *f-layer* propagation, conditions in the Pacific have been fairly good, as we learn from John Rice, KH6GHC. John and Bert Ingalls, K7DTH, are the operators of KH6EQF, Honolulu, Hawaii.

The KH6EQF 24-hour beacon was activated on 50.098, September 8. Only local Hawaiian stations were worked until September 28, when ZK1AA on Cook Island was contacted. Stu, ZK1AA, had heard the Hawaiian beacon every night from September 9th to the 27th. The next evening, KH6EQF worked KX6FX in the Marshall Islands, and ZK1AA again. On September 30, 50 MHz. opened between Hawaii and South America and KH6EQF worked LU3EX, CE3QG and CX7AG.

Six remained open to South America regularly throughout October. Contacts were made on October 1, 2, 3, 11, 15, 16, 17, 21, 23, 24, and 30 with CE3QG, OA4C, CX7AG, LU3EX, CX6BW, 4A3P (Mexico), ZP9AY and LU3DCA. On October 9 and 17, KX6FX was again contacted, and KH6EQF continued to hear the ZK1AA 51 MHz. beacon through the first two weeks of October. At times, ZK1AA's signal was audible using only an 18 inch piece of wire in the converter input! ZL3GA reported hearing KH6EQF's beacon from October 4th through 14th. And on October 12th, KH6NS caught a marginal opening to California, making two contacts.

The first opening in November came on the 2nd when PY2CSS and ZP9AY were contacted. On the third, the signals of LU3DCA, LU3EX and CX7AG were worked. The 4th found 50 MHz. open to the U.S. mainland for 2s minutes, beginning at 2255 GMT. KH6EQF worked 35 stations in California, three in Arizona and XE1s GE and PY, Mexico — 40 contacts in 28 minutes is certainly making the best possible use of an opening! The next day, two more Californians were worked, followed by CE3QG on the 6th. However, from November 7th until December 4th the band was quiet.

On December 4th, KH6EQF worked California and Arizona, and the same path was open on the 5th.

Last summer, W4ZXI sent 5W1AR a 50-MHz. transverter. Trivor, 5W1AR, sent W4ZXI this report on six-meter conditions in Samoa. On October 31, the KH6EQF beacon — beamed on the U.S. — was heard at 0731 GMT. In November, 5W1AR heard KH6EQF on the 5th, 6th and 24th. ZK1AA was heard by 5W1AR on November 20th, 23rd and 24th.

On December 2nd, 5W1AR received permission to transmit below 51 MHz. Trivor moved to 50.090 and on the 5th, worked KH6EQF.

KH6EQF lists the following as the equipment being used by 50 MHz. stations in the Pacific.

KH6EQF: SB-110, 8-element Yagi atop Diamond Head, 450 feet above sea level.

- KH6GKL: 80 watts, s.s.b. and c.w.
- KH6NS: Swan 250, pair 4-400s, rhombic.
- 5W1AR: HT-37, HA-6, 4-element Yagi at 70 feet, prefers 50.090.
- ZK1AA: 150 watts, 2-element Yagi, prefers 50.020.

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WAZEUS 9	4	200	VESEZC / 5 510
W2SEU 6	4	220	VE3AIB 5 4 450

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This is K4IXC's 88-element 432 array. The horizontal arm extends six feet from the tower and is 60 feet above ground. There is a top bearing to prevent side-sway, and the array may be rotated a full 360 degrees. (K4PDV photo)

#### F2-Layer Christmas Present

The 50-MHz. band opened for the Northeast on Christmas morning. VE2AIO found HK30K, Bogota, Columbia, in his stocking at 1458 GMT. Backscatter from K11KN, W3KWH and W8GZ was heard from the direction of Ascension Island at this time. More backscatter came through the next morning, but no South American signals were heard. HK30K came through on the normal great-circle heading. K1AGB, also worked him, at 1521 GMT, 50.101 MHz. c.w.

At 1555, KV4FU, Virgin Islands, heard W $\emptyset$ PFP and W $\emptyset$ EKB (central lowa) in contact. He worked them, and K $\emptyset$ SYI, Omaha. Neb., and WA9UQK, Sturgeon Bay, Wis., before the band faded out at 1632 GMT.

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50-MHz. F-layer DN slacked off during late 1968 and many six-meter DNers are of the opinion this spring is now or never. We note, however, there was  $F_2$  DN as late as 1960, some three years after the 1957 peak of solar cycle 19. Honors for what may be the only U.S.-to-Africa six-meter contact of cycle 20 go to W2UTH and ZD8NK. The New York to Ascension Island path was covered on December 1st at 1515 GMT. The contact, made on c.w. and confirmed by QSL card, lasted until 1521 GMT, when signals disappeared. W2UTH also asks if anyone knows where to QSL VP2AC who was active on six meters New Year's Day 1968.

Pacific  $F_2$  DX was reported December 5th when W6ABN heard the KH6EQF beacon from 1930 to 2015 GMT. W6ABN worked KH6GHC on the 4th, and heard W1ELP briefly on the 2nd. In the Virgin Islands, KV4FU says he has heard no *f-layer* DX since the South Americans disappeared around December 1st. LU3DCA says he heard Hawaii throughout November, but nothing since. And there has been no TE from the southeastern states to South America since October 7th. This spring, however, should find 50 MHz. open once again to South America on TE.

The winter Es season has provided some interest, though. On November 17th, K6RNQ, W6DPD, WB6UYG and K7ICW worked XE1ANN, who also signs XE1OE and W8NRM. Other single-hop Eswere reported by the same stations, and WA7GFP, during November.

During December, Es were noted on the 2nd between Florida and California, on the 6th from Florida north to New York and west to Indiana and the next night from Florida to Tennessee and Missouri. Also on the 7th, K4LFF, Florida, worked California and XE1PY. There were several spotty openings until the 21st, when six broke wide-open. WB4KUN, Florida, worked KV4FU, KP4DFH, plus a log page full of 2s, 3s, 8s, 9s, and 0s. Conditions were nearly as good on the 22nd, and on the 23rd, WB4BND, Miami, reported multi-hop Es to California.

On Christmas Eve, HI8XDS was again worked from so..thern Florida on Es. HI8XDS presently runs a 5894 on 50.103 a.m., but is building s.s.b. gear. Swany says he has had trouble getting QSL cards printed, but will be sending out cards shortly. His address is James Swan, P.O. Box 1377, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. He will be active for at least one year and is a good operator.

144-MHz. meteor jockeys had varying degrees of success during the December Geminids. The Geminids, like the August Perseids, produce similar results year-to-year and is one of the more dependable meteor showers. At deadline time, here is my list of those making contacts.

K1HTV: WØLCN W3CRS: W5RCI, WØRLI K4IXC: W9VWY WØLER: W3LUL, W4WDH, WA4HGN, VE3BQN WØLCN: K1HTV WØRLI: W2CRS, VE3ASO KØMQS: W1JSM (New Hampshire)

Undoubtedly there were more contacts, but those are the ones reported. Here are some comments from around the circuit. K1HTV, Connecticut, who worked 30 states during 1968, says the Geminids peaked the evening of December 13th when he worked WØLCN, Minnesota. That contact was WØLCN's 27th state. WØLCN ran an unsuccessful schedule with K7VTM, Wyoming. K7VTM has only 50 watts output, but put numerous pings and short bursts into WØLCN's receiver. High power helps on meteor scatter, but the low power c.w. boys should give it a try. I have worked many stations on m.s. running 40 to 50 watts at the antenna. Florida's ineteor-king, K4IXC, worked W9VWY, Illinois, on a solid 90-second burst December 14th, and had a near miss with W1VTU, Connecticut. W2CRS added states 27 and 28 to his list from New York by working W5RCI, Mississippi, and WØRLI, Minnesota. K4GL, who has some 30 years v.h.f. experience, had near misses with K1BKK, W8IDT and W9DID, and heard pings from K5TQP, New Mexico, and WØENC, in the Sioux territory of South Dakota. Jack says he heard nearly all of his schedules, even the low power ones, better than they heard him. He says his antenna-mounted preamp helps much, but in this day of the inexpensive

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transistor there is no excuse for poor converters. Jack suggests a simple diode noise generator in every shack. He checks the performance of his converters each day and quickly knows if something is wrong. That's good advice that Jack offers. Both editions of the ARRL V.h.f. Manual describe construction of a suitable noise generator. WØLER, Minnesota, agrees that the shower peaked the night of December 13th. No wonder, he worked W3LUL, Maryland, W4WDH, Georgia, and VE3BQN that night! And then added WA4HGN, Tennessee, on the 15th. WØLER noted a 35 to 40-second burst at 0541 GMT, December 13th. As the meteor moved across the United States from an easterly direction, he heard several stations all using 144.049! That bottom 100 kHz. sure is needlessly crowded.

While meteors provide most of the winter 144-MHz. DX, tropo can afford some surprises, especially in the southeastern states. One such opening came the evening of December 2nd along a stationary front over the Gulf states. That night W5DPM, Baton Rouge, worked W4WDH, Georgia, and W4UUF, Florida, with a 522 rig. Also in Louisiana, W5MCC worked stations from Texas to South Carolina, and W5JFB in New Orleans nailed down two contacts each in Alabama, Georgia, and Mississippi. John says even Heath Twoers were covering 400 to 500-mile paths with ease. K5EJP, also in New Orleans, worked into Florida on the 146.94 f.m. channel, and worked a handful of a.m. stations along the coast. In Georgia, K4HQI, worked the tropo DX from Louisiana to Florida with 20 watts a.m. and 16-element collinear. For several of the stations involved, this was their first taste of 144-MHz. DX.

If not by the time you read this, it will not be long before K $\emptyset$ MQS in Iowa works ZL1AZR in New Zealand via the earth-moon-earth route. They nearly made the first U.S. to New Zealand 144 MHz. contact on November 28 having almost 100 percent copy both ways. K $\emptyset$ MQS also copied ZL1AZR on their December 14th schedule.

220-MHz. is becoming more popular with the m.s. clan. K4INC ran a Geminid schedule with K1AGB. Mass., but received only pings and letter fragments. This, of course, was over a north-south path which didn't produce good results even on 144. The Geminids shower peaked on east-west circuits.



Well-known v.h.f. men all, here are (I. to r.) W3KWH, WØEYE, KØRZJ and W5ORH. (K7NII photo)

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KIUGQ 29	8 1280	K6HM811	4 1258		
KIBKK28	7 1275	K6JYO11	4 1240		
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A number of stations are looking for 220 m.s. schedules, including K1UGQ, to be active from Maine in the summer; W2CRS, New York; K4IXC, Florida; K4GL, South Carolina with stacked Tilton Yagis; W5ORH, Oklahoma, who has a kw. and Yagi; W5RCI, Mississippi, with 600 watts and 13-element Yagi; K5TQP, New Mexico; W6WSQ; W7JRG, Montana: W0EYE, Colorado, and W0DRL, Kansas.

420-MHz. news is topped this month with the report of the first two-way duplex t.v. to-t.v. video and sound contact. On November 8th, W9VRV, worked W9NAU, both Chicago. W9VRV operates on 444.5 MHz. video, 449 MHz. sound carriers.

There is a new second-call-area states worked leader. K2ACQ has just edged K2UYH for the topspot honors. K2ACQ's 13th state was Maryland's W3UJG, worked on December 10th. K2ACQ says his biggest problem on 432 is keeping his 128elements in the air.

Now these 432 notes. W1EUJ, Mass., has worked 9 states and has plans for a 250-watt final to be built this winter. K4INC has an 88-element Yagi array and worked his first DN December 2nd, a 375mile hop to W4VHH in South Carolina, making use of that inversion reported in the 144 MHz. section of this column. K4INC welcomes schedules on 432 as does W5RCI. Rex is feeling the push on his number one nation-wide standing by W4FJ and WØDRL. K5TQP is aiming towards 432 with a varactor tripler.

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#### How:

ARRL DX Contest time!

December's QST went into rules details (pp. 64-65) early enough to pass the word far and wide. W1AW and the League's trusty Official Bulletin Stations have further spread the invitation. Thousands of routine DX workers closed recent QSOs with "see you in the Test!" The more the merricr, to be sure.

Your 1969 shebang should be DXtraordinary for extra reasons. Historically, years ending in "9"-1939, '49 and '59-have always been record smashers. This relates directly to sunspot cycle status, naturally; we're now near the top of Old Sol's happy hill again.

FCC's new incentive-licensing subband alloeations are certain to curtail over-all W/K point totals. If not, those revised regulations wouldn't be working properly in the first place. And this is really no new departure, just an updated version of old Class A, B and C days when the Class B-C 'phone gang missed out on 20 until they won Class A spurs. Current Generals should grow more determined than ever to light their study lamps and relegate bothersome 25-kHz. bandmarkers to the ashcan.

King Twenty will doubtless bear the brunt of activity as usual, but ARRL's new Five-Band DXCC should spread a heavier helping of action from 1.8 through 28 MHz. More than a few participants will have 5B-DXCC foremost in mind. Concentration on multipliers need not necessarily hurt one's score.

By the way, DX hounds hitting the 35th ARRL International DX Competition hard for 5B-DXCC purposes should note the latter's Rule 6 (p. 110, October '68 QST). "... No credits will be given for confirmations via DX contest or other logs." Better dig fast for those QSLs. Good fishin'!

#### What:

Class distinction on voice subbands is old stuff, but Class distinction on voice subbands is old strift, but the modern c.w. application is abruptly new to most WJKs. Non-Extras can still catch plenty of code DX in their allotted portions of 15 and 20 meters, but 40 and 80, where overseas stations hug the bottom edges, are vorv rough going indeed. Right now Generals can regain DX ground with daytime 28-MHz, attacks, A spin of the "How's" dial on

spin of the "How's" dial on **10** c.w. reveals Ws 3HMR 4YOK 7BE 8YGR, Ks 1HDO 8BCK, WAS 1DJG 1FHU 2BHJ 3GVP 5PPZ 8MCQ 8MGD 8YXE, IIs DFE ER and KP4DBJ radiotelegraphing with A2CAQ (28.030 kHz., 1800 GMT, CES 1AD 16, 6EZ 17, CR 4BB (104) 14, 6CK (40) 12, 6EI 7, 7BN (22) 15, CT3AS, CXS 2CO 3BH 13, 4JK 19, 7BY, DM2s BRN (57), DEO (33), EA9AQ (56) 11-12, ELS 2BE 15, 5BA (37) 16-17, ET3USA 14, FG7TG 12, CM3s EZQ (60), XO (25), GW3s FSP (27), SKK (10), HAS 1BS 2HB (57), HC2KRD (35) of Hun-garv, HH9DL (50) 16, HK3s BAE (20) 19, HQ 14, HP1XHG 19, HZ1AB (25) 12, JAS 2PWS 11, 6AA, \*7862-B West Lawrence Ave., Chicago, III, 60656



W8BT/LX, also signing ON8VO/LX, was joined by ON4NM (right) in a Luxembourg lark last summer. Al and Jan concentrated mostly on 15 and 20 c.w.

and Jan concentrated mostly on 15 and 20 c.w. JX2BH (26) 14, K3GWA/KL7 19-20, KH6IJ (10) 19, KV4s AM 18, FZ 13, LAs 7Y (35), OAD, LUS 3EX 19, SDQ (100) 20, 8FBH 14, LX1CW (35) 16, MP4s BFO (26), BGX (32) 12, OA4PF, OD5s EJ LX (78) 15, OHØNMI (80) 18, OY4R (75) 17, PJ2VD 15, PY3 ZBGL 2BBO 2SO 5BAZ 16, 6F1 (44) 11, 7VNO 19, SMICNE (21), SVOS WN (30) 11, WP 11, TF3MA, TG9CD 18, THIS AL, QQ 15, TL8GL 13, TU2BQ, UAS 2KAC ØHDX 12, ØBX 9-14, ØMX 11, UD6s HW 9, KBO 7, UF6s CR 14, DM 7, UH8s AE 12, BX (52) 10-11, UBB1 (44) 10, UJ3AF 11, UL7s AJ 11, FJ 10, JT 11, UM8s ABC (50) 11-12, AP (50) 12, UN1BR 12, UO2KCS, UR2MS (15), UT5s EH KCD (32), KDP (25), UW9PI 12, UY5s AG NY (17), 2 page of VKs including 6A1 6LU 60V 7GK 13, 8HA 8HQ 12-13, VO1JF 20, VP2VL (60) 19, VQs 8CC (23) 12, 8CI 7, 8CJ 9, 9B, VSs 6AA 8, 6FX 8-9, 9MB, VU2s DKZ JA, XE2AAG (25) 19, XW8s BP (30) 12, CS (61) 7, YOs 2BS 2BV (34), 9CN (43) 14-15, YU3s BB (58), SX (55), ZDs 5X (15) 12, TDI 8J (25) 19, ZES 1DC 7, 3O 11, 8JN (38), 8, XJY 9, ZLS 1AJU (40) 20-21, IDS (30) 21, 2AUMI 11, 3GQ 11, ZSS 1NR 2BZ 11, 2QW 15, (30) 11, 8JN (38), 8, XJY 9, ZLS 1AJU (40) 20-21, IDS (30) 21, 2AUMI 11, 3GQ 11, ZSS 1NR 2BZ 11, 2QW 15, (24) TO 15D E 18, 6AL 6BED 5J (63) 11, 45TDA (18) 13, 4UITU (30) 13, 5As 1TY 17, 3TW (16) 11, SR8AM 11, 5Z4S GF SS 9, 6W8XX 15, 707RM (76) H1, SR8AM 11, 5Z4S GF SS 9, 6W8XX 15, 707RM (76) H1, SR8AM 11, 5Z4S GF SS 9, 6W8XX 15, 707RM (76) H1, SR8AM 11, 5Z4S GF SS 9, 6W8XX 15, 707RM (76) H1, SR4AM 11, 5Z4S GF SS 9, 6W8XX 15, 707RM (76) H1, SR4AM 11, 5Z4S GF SS 9, 6W8XX 15, 707RM (76) H1, SR4AM 11, 5Z4S GF SS 9, 6W8XX 15, 707RM (76) H1, SR4AM 11, 5Z4S GF SS 9, 6W8XX 15, 707RM (76) H1, SR4AM 11, 5Z4S GF SS 9, 6W8XX 15, 707RM (76) H1, SR4AM 11, 5Z4S GF SS 9, 6W8XX 15, 707RM (76) H1, SR4AM 11, 5Z4S GF SS 9, 6W8XX 15, 707RM (76) H1, SR4AM 11, 5Z4S GF SS 9, 6W8XX 15, 707RM (76) H1, SR4AM 11, 5Z4S GF SS 9, 6W8XX 15, 707RM (76) H1, SR4AM 11, 5Z4S GF SS 9, 6W8XX 15, 707RM (76) H1, SR4AM 11, 5Z4S GF SS 9, 6W8XX 15, 707 and mainland-VK codehounds.

DJ-DA-DL P G HB II OK OZ SM SP UA-UV-UW and mainland-VK codebounds. **40 c.w.**, continuing with our documentation of do-ings by the key-thumpers as promised, is replete with these observations by Ws IARR 3HNK TRE SYGR, K4FCB, WAs IDJG IFHU 2APG 3HNK TRE SYGR, K4FCB, WAS IDJG IFHU 2APG 3HNK TRE SYGR, K4FCB, WAS 1DJG 1FHU 2APG 3HNK SSON 0, BYIS F PK, COS 2BG 23, 2JC (7) 3, 3BU (5) 10, 3CS 5, CT1s GD 22, HT (4), LN 7, DMS 2ATD 2BOB 2BOG 2BTO 2CUL 3LOG 3XI 9ADL, DU1AT (17) 19, EAS 2DT 20-21, 4CR 22, EIS 9Q (3), 8BS, FS 2MA (9), 0, 50A (2) 5, STMI, FG75 NC XX 23, GD3TNS, GI3NGI, GMS 2HCZ 5AII, HA5KHC (10), HB9AGH, HI3AMG (5) 5, HK3RO, HP1XHG 3, IS1AEW (10) 19, IT1AGA 0, JAS 1EUV (4) 1LZR/mm 10HV 3GZN 3LWZ 4BVH/mm, JH 1EYB, KH6s EFW 6, GBQ (5), 10, CQ 22, UW 1, KV4s DB FZ 3, LATY (8) 19, LU5DON, LZS 1HD (4), 1KPG (3) 1, 1KSA (11), 2KSK (1), 0AXZO (7) 1-2, PA9HO, PYS 1DCG (5) 10, 1CYZ 0, 2DRP 23-0, 2NE 1, 4AP 21, 4ABL 1, 4BNK 23, 4BOC 22, 6WF 0-1, 7ANQ 22, 7ARC 22, 7AN F(9) 0, 7AUU 7AVE (35), 7QBG (17), PZIDE 0, SPS 6ALL 6KBE 6PWR 7CHP 8BAJ 8BUH 9DH 9PAO, SVS 1CD 21-22, OWN (8) 0, TA2NF (5) 12, TF3F 0, T2S LA PZ (11), TT8AQ, UAS 2AC 9CZ 23, ØBK ØPY 22, UR5s LS RR (20), ZE (25), UC2s DU (8) 19, KBK (17), 1J (4), UD6s AD (5) 2-3, AR, UF6s CR (7) 23, CX (32) 0, LB 23, UH8DC

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But a slot. **BO** (FIO In Hols, Yely Flow Fishig a last C tole flow 0.84 **BO** (FHU and MICQ with such as  $D_{32BW/LX}$ , DM8ROS 2, EA6AR, EIS 5BH 9J, FS 3DM 5CT, (GZY/CN, GCS 2FAIV 3AET, GI3SKH, GW3WVG, HASKFZ, HKALE, JAS 1JWI 3KVO (5) 15, 9CLX (10) 15, 9/DBY (10) 14-15, KH6GLU, KP4CQC, KV4s AM FZ (10) 4-5, LAS 1H 3X 7Y, LZ1KRD, OHØRJ (10) 23, OK2KBR, ON4UN, OYS 6FRA 5, 7ML (8) 23, OZILO, PAOS DC LOU, PJ2VD (25) 3, SP3KX, SMS 4CAIG 6BDLY, FF3SG 21, UAS 2KAW 6CQ 9GU 9KAZ 97B (45) 0, ØAG 21, UB5KDS, UD6KAB, UG6AD, AA (10) 2, GM 1-2, KAA (5) 23, UP2S RBA KNP, UR2EK, UW9GU 2, UY5NH, VEOMD, VKS 2AGH 2CK 2NS 201 2QL 2VN (14) 11, 3ABR 3AKN 3APN 3HC 31Q 3KF 30P 3XB 5KO 7GK, VOIAW, VP3BQ 6, VS5DO 10, WIFZJ/KF4 (5) 3, YSIRT 5-6, YUS 1AG 3BU 5YU, YV5ANT, ZC4MIO, 20, 9Y4S KK and LA, the lion's share of this 3.5-MIZ, booty from the log of WISWX up New Hampshire way. 160 strives to regain its DX equilibrium under new booty from the log of WISWX up New Hampshire way. 160 strives to regain its DX equilibrium under new tions. The old DX-only grooves now are frequently cluttered with W/K chatter but the stuff is still there for talented and well-equipped cycle-slivers. WIBB, KIKSH and club literature recommend watching for top-band enthusiasts CXS 1UL 3BH, DJ7K, DLS 3FF 9E.RA, EI9BL, countless Gs. GD3TNS, GI3s 00;R VXI, GM3s FXM FPQ IAA JNW TMK TNT UXM, GWs 3WDF 3WWN 3XJC 5TW, HB9YL, JAS IRQA IRST 2CLI 3AA 7CQB, KH6CLU, KV4FZ, OE32J, OH2KH, ON4WC, two dozen OK-OLS, PJOS CC MM, PYS 2BTH 3.4PL, VKS 3GU 5KO, VO1FB, VPs 2GBR 5AA 8KF, W1FZJ/KP4, XEØGEN and ZE3JO..... WIBB's 18-MHz, ennantions, both r.t. and postal, are abated while Stew assists XYL WEDGP's recovery from heart difficulties. Let's keep the WIBB mailbag full of good wishes! ..... Reminder: This month's 160-Meter DX Tests, detailed on page 95, November '68 (US7, are scheduled for the 1st-2nd and 15th-16th, coinciding with the 35th International DX Competition of MBD Reader. of ARRL. Ready?

Early future "How's" pages will analyze DX goings-on among other bands with the prime assistance of

(10 phone) Ws 1EGM 2VOZ 3HNK 4UF 8YGR, KHDO, WA8MCQ, WB2DZZ; (15 phone) Ws 2DY 3HNK 4UF 4YOK 8YGR, WAs 11DP 2BHJ 9AIQI 9SQY 9URY, WB2DZZ; (15 c.w.) Ws 3HNK 3HNR 4YOK 7BE, K5MHG/6, WAs 1EGM 2DQE 2FOR 3GVP 3JRY 8VBY 8YXE 98QY, WB2DZZ, WN9WLF; (20 phone) Ws 2DY 2VOZ 3HNK 4NJF 4UF 4YOK 8IB5/2 8YGR, K4TWJ, WAs 1FHU 11DP 2BHJ 3HRV 3ID 5PUQ 8MCQ 9TMF, WBS 2BCI 2DZZ 4GSS 6WLH/3; (20 c.w.) Ws 1VAH 2ICO 2KXK 3HNK 4YOK 6YKS 7BE 8IBX/2 8YGR, K4TWJ, WAS 1FHU IGGN 11DP 1JMR 2BHJ 3GVP 3HMR 3HRV 3ID 3'JRY 3KOS 4GSS 4GTI 5PPZ 8MICQ 8VBY 8YXE 9MQI 9SQY 9TFM; (40 phone) W8YGR; (75 phone) WA8MCQ; with other reporters to file. Always room aboard the "How's" Bandwagon—climb on!

#### Where:

3V8AA was an 8000-QSO production by F5OJ & Co., one of the DXpeditionary highlights of 1968. Astride a Tunisian resident in center, I. to r., are Fs 5HN 5QQ 2YZ and 5OJ. At right F5OJ milks a pile-up while F5QQ logs.



are now handled here," notifies W2CTN. "Logs on hand date from October 4, 1968." Jack also confirms his status as VK2BKM's Lord Howe island QSL aide. 

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Watts's DX News-Sheet hears that Italian mainland 

South AMERICA-"CEOAE had a tremendous backlog of unanswered QSLs in November," com-Soluti AMERICA- CEDAE had a trementous backlog of unanswered QSLs in November," com-ments WB2YSO, "Due to the volume they decided to reply via hureaus," Keep your local ARRL QSL Bu-reau branch well supplied with s.a.s.e., OMS .... About this sa.s.e. business- for direct reply, unless specifical-ly waived, self-addressed envelopes with International Reply Coupons, or self-addressed stamped envelopes when appropriate, should be included in mailings to QSL managers. This is only fair when seeking postal response from anyone, for that matter, Remember, too, that U.S. stamps aren't mailable in Canada, K9CSM thinks we should also stress periodically that U.S.-issued IRCs shouldn't be inflicted on Stateside QSL managers. - Here's a helping of individual rec-ommendations found in this month's mailsack, but be mindful that each is necessarily neither "official," com-plete nor accurate. ... plete nor accurate. . . .

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 PJICU, P.O. Box 659, Curacau, Netherlands Antilles
 PZIDF, P.O. Box 523, Paramaribo, Surmam
 TA3AB, via R. Stone, W5RBO, P.O. Box 416, Anna, Texas, 75003

XE1PJL/XF4, XE1J's visit to the Revillagigedos last October, is pictured in these views of Soccoro. That's Jose doing the operating in the island's weather station.







PJs 2CQ 9CQ 2CA and 2CB, left to right, meet under a DXish signpost in Curacao where PJ9CQ (WB4EHX) radiated several hundred QSOs in October. In another near-by DXpeditionary undertaking PJØMM exported 6320 St. Maarten contacts through the efforts of (I. to r.) W9ZRX (PJ5MN), Ks 9KIC 4MZU 9RHN, Ws 9ZTD and 9POK. (Photos via WB4EHX)

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TU2s AY AZ (via DL7FT)
VE3AB (via VE3RX)
VK2BKM/LH (via W2CTN)
VP2GSM (to W4YHB)
VP5 SR 57CC (via W4GZD)
VP8KH (via G3NMH)
VP8KH (via G3NMH)
VP8KH (via G3NMH)
VR2FS (to 9V108)
VR4EZ (see text)
VS5PH (via DL3RK)
WØXO/KV4 (to KV4FZ)
XEIPLJ/XF4 (to XEIJ)
XEØDOT (to W6DOT)
YKIAM (via YKIAA)
YSIRFE (see text)
YV3MO/W4 (to KP4DCF)
ZD8CC (via W4GZD)
ZS6BES (via D19PU)
4M4AJ (via YK4QI)
4S7AS (via R8CI)
4Z7AL (see text)
5U7AL (see text)
SUFAL (via W4WTG)
5U7AL (see text)
SJIRL/mm (via JARL) Sugapore CP3CN (see text) CT1HZ (via W3HNK) FC5RV (to F51(V) FG7TI/F57 (see text) FM7WV (to F3KK) FY7YG (via WA4GQA) GH2HQ (to R5GB) CPD56 (cia C32(S)) GH2HQ (to ItSGB) GB2S5 (via G3XCS) GH3VS (via G3XCS) HL9UD (to WA8HBL) JA4AS (via K6PHH) JX5CI (via K1CL) KA7CW (via K3VJ) MP4BGW (via K3CSM) MP4BGW (via K3CSM) MP4BGW (via K9CSM) MP4MBJ (to G3POA) MP4TCE (via RSGB) OK8AAE (to OE1WO) OM5UKV (via OK-CRC) OR4ES (via QN4AL) OX3JV (via W1ACB) OX3UD (via W2CTN) OW46OV (AU(2-5)) OX3UD (via W2CTN) PYØS OK OM (via PY2SO) SK2XA (via, SMI2COP) SKØAI (via 8M5COG) SVØJJ (to WA4FLJ) SVØWO (to K3EUR) SVØWO (via W2CTN) 8J1RL/mm (via JARL)

SYØWO (via W2CTN) These arrived through the generous efforts of Ws IARR IEGM 11KE IJMY ISWX 1UED 2CTN 2VOZ 3HMR 4YOK SIBX/2, WAS 3GVP 3JRV 7KPH/min SSLW SYXE 9FZQ 9SQY, DL4FS, FQCC, Canadiau DX Association Long Skip (VE3HJ), Columbus Ama-teur Radio Association CARAscope (W3ZCQ), DARC's DX-MB (DL3RK), DX News-Sheet (G, Watts, 62 Relmore Rd, Norwich, Nor. 72 T., England), Far East Auxiliarv Radio League (M) News (KA2LL), Florida DX Club DX Report (W4RRB), International Short Wave League Monitor (A, Miller, 62 Warward Ln., Selly Oak, Birmingham 20, England), Jupan DX Radio

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Club Bulletin (JA1DM), Long Island DX Association DX Bulletin (W2GEZ), Newark News Radio Club Bulletin (L. Waite, 39 Hannum St., Ballston Spa, N.Y., 12020), Northern California DX Club DXer (Box 608, Atenio Park, Calif. 94025), Southern California DX Club Bulletin (WA6GLD), Utah DX Association Bulletin (WTLEB), VERON'S DX press (PA0S FX LOU TO VDV WWP) and West Coast DX Bulletin (WA6AUD), The parenthesized into in this credit list may be used when directing inquiries concerning the periodicals mentioned. Some of these organizations welcome mem-berships, associate memberships and subscriptions from all comers; others publish on a circumscribed full-members-ouly basis.

#### Whence:

1700 GMT.

A SIA-"KA7CW is back on the sir near Fukuoka, A SIA-"KA7CW is back on the sir near Fukuoka, Kyushu," declares K3YWJ who mans the installa-tion with five fellow radio buffs, "We're usually just below 14.250 kHz, for W/Ks at 0300-1200 GMT. Watch 14.205 kHz, for HL9 VR2 VS5 VS6 and 9M2 contacts, and we hear many rare Russians-U18s. U18s, etc.-around 28,570 kHz."...\_ HL9UD (WA8HBL) pens, "After ten months in Korea I'm finally on the air



PX1BW, the handiwork of KØBWN-DL5NJ and WAØQLH-DL4JA, left and right, added many Andorra DXCC credits to last October's DXpeditionary excitement. (Photos via W2GHK, DXpedition of the Month)

..... Chris of CT2AT expects a year's Azores sojourn ..... REF's 1968 French Contest drew 264 e.w. and 72 phone non-French entres, op from the previous year's 222-52 input. Among 28 U.S. code candidates Ws 178 22V 3BYX 41105, WASPIF, Ws 6MISM 7YBX, WASTYF, W3JQD and WAOKDI led their call areas; Ks IYDP 2JFV, Ws 3BYX 42NI and K9UCR did the same among ten voice entrants, Up Canada way VES 1AE 2NV and 7HQ paced their areas on c.w., VES 2AFC and 3BMB on phone, French leaders were Fs 9LX 81H and 80P in that e.w. sequence, Fs 3KW 9VW and 9XP on mikes. In other REF regions FV8AA and TU2BK took code honors, FO8BS and 6W8DY phone plaudits, C.w. country kngpins include CR71Z, CT101, DJ6QL, EA2HR, G3BSP, HA8UF, HP1AC, (BELF, JA2CUS, LA9HG, LZ2RF, OK3AX, OH2BAC, OK2QX, O7LO, PAOJR, SM5BNX, SP9-AQY, UAS 2DM 9BZ, UW6BK, UB5HS, UC2WP, UD6KAB, UJ8AB, UP2BU, U02GW, UR2FU, VE2NV, VK8UG, W3JQD, Y03CR, YU1SF, ZD8HAL and 4U1ITU. Phone toppers: CE3NL, CT1LN, DJ6QL, EA2HX, G3RAA, HP1NN, JA8ADQ, K2JFV, LX3RJ, OA4JR, OH2TX, OKIAHZ, OZ1LO, PY4KL, SM7CSN, SP5CLK, TG8AI, UAS 1CK 2KBD, UB5WF, UC2DR, UP2CV, U12KEG, VE2AFC, VO4KCE, YU10P and 4U1ITU. Announcement of this year's French Test reached us too late for last month's c.w. section but you can shill catch the phone half on the 22hel-22rd of this month under last year's rules (p. 92, January '68 QS7), Publications can take little for granted in announcing such netivities, for East Germany's society canceled its scheduled 1968 WADM contest on short notice.

band sluff. "CX2AAJ looks for California phone relays on 28,700 kHz. nightly at 2200 GMT." ..... PYIs OK and OM were behind that Abrolhos thing as PYØs OK and OM ..... CE37N and friends think about more San Felix fun, while WA6AHF talks up a summertime Serrana bank swing ..... "I'll be signing XEØGEN on both c.w. week ends of the ARRI Test." assures W6GEN, "using a two-element quad. a 70-ft. crank-up tower, dipoles for 40, 80 and 160, and a kilowatt. Watch for me on 160 each of the four mornings at 1100 GMT on 1998 kHz., tuning both ends of the band."

### **T-Notch Filter for the HBR**

#### (Continued from page 23)

provides a range from approximately 50 to 100 volts. The nominal 75-volt setting described earlier will provide excellent performance. However, for those hard-to-please guys the notch circuit performance can be altered to fit each individual's requirements simply by varying the applied screen potential. Alignment of the bridged-T network should be checked each time the screen voltage is changed, and alignment of the entire i.f. amplifier should be checked any time the screen voltage is changed by more than 10 volts. Usually only a very slight touch-up will be required to make the alignment perfect.

Some typical curves showing receiver passband shapes at various settings of the notch network are given in Figs. 6 and 7. Use of the T-notch circuit on the air has demonstrated its ability to notch out most closely-adjacent QRM, and to attenuate even S9-plus interference to a tolerable level. A glance at Fig. 8, which are plots of actual laboratory measurements, gives some idea of what is possible. With an interfering signal located 1.1 kHz. from the desired signal, well down on the passband skirt, tuning the rejection notch to the interfering frequency will give 20 db. of rejection. With an interfering signal located 0.3 kHz. from the desired signal, both being very close to the normal peak passband response, tuning the rejection notch to the interfering frequency will give 40 db. of rejection. A little practice in manipulating the notch, the main tuning dial, and the b.f.o. pitch will soon provide the HBR owner with the ability to separate signals which are very nearly on the same frequency. When combined in an HBR-13 with WØSX's selectoroid circuit, the T-notch will give sensitivity and selectivity capabilities which are equalled by very few receivers, either commercial or home-brew.

#### **Acknowledgements**

Mention must be made of Alex Stewart, K4FX, whose idea this was in the first place, as well as Ted Crosby, W6TC, who suggested the extra 6BJ6 stage as well as the several coupling methods which were tried. Both of these amateurs devoted considerable time and effort to discussions and experiments which made possible the circuit just described.

#### ARPSC

#### (Continued from page 59)

RN756	350	.289	5.8	42.
8RN60	504	.350	8.5	88.3
9RN60	662	.564	11.3	94.6
TEN60	676	.703	11.3	82.5
ECN	148	.184	2.5	68.9
TWN57	292	.253	4.9	66.7
Sections <sup>1</sup> 1886	12,223		6.5	
TCC Eastern. 120 <sup>2</sup>	703			
TCC Central90 <sup>2</sup>	563			
TCC Pacific 120 <sup>2</sup>	783			
Summary2686	24,763	EAN	12.1	
Record3211	30,541	1.315	16.4	

<sup>3</sup> Section and local nets reporting (60); GSN, GTN (Ga.); KTN, FCATN, KRN, KYN (Ky.); PTN (Me.); CN, CPN (Conn.): VEN, FMTN, WFPN, FPTN, GN (Fla.); NMRTN (N.M.); ILN (III.); WSN (Wash.); PVTEN, NJEPTN (N.J.); HNN (Colo.); WSBN, WIN (Wisc.); BUN (Utah); TEX, TTN (Tex.); NCNE, NCNL, THEN (N.C.); QIN (Ind.); MDDS. MDCTN (Md.-D.C.-Del.); BN, OSN, OSSB (Ohio); OZK (Ark.); NYS (N.Y.); WSSB, QMN (Mich.); VSBN, VN (Va.); LAN (La.); MNN (Mo.); EPA, PFN, EPAEPTN, PTTN (Pa.); MSN, MJN (Minn.); AENB, AEND, AENH, AENM, AENO, AENR, AENT (Ala.); RISPN (R.I.); WMN (Mass.); NCN, SNCN (Cal.); GBN (Ont.)

<sup>2</sup> TCC functions, nor counted as net sessions.

W1EFW reports that East Mass. attendance of the late net is holding IRN down. Region Net certificates have been issued to WBs. AMV and OCA by 2RN Manager W2FR, W8VDA/6 has been appointed by WA6ROF as assistant in charge of arranging APO/FPO and PAC liaison assignments. W7BQ says traffic loads have been light on all nets, W8CHT (and several others) report aurora making some sessions rough. W9LGG has issued TEN certificates to  $W\sigma s$  CGZ OMC.  $WA\sigma s$  HWR QXG and VE4FQ. K2KIR thinks TCC representation should be figured along with region representation. WA9RAK was impressed with quick NCS reporting during November; however, now he expects it all the time. "Yuk," says W8VNQ.

Transcontinental Corps. W3EML says November wasn't one of Eastern's better months with percentages of succesful functions down, mostly because of erratic conditions. W7D2X reports that a misunderstanding on the frequency of the Station J schedules has been straightened out and the schedules are now working out okay.

November reports:

Area	Func- tions	% Suc- cessful	Traffic	Out-of-Net Traffic
Eastern.,	120	90.0	1911	703
Central.	90	95.6	1168	563
Pacific	120	90.8	1566	783
Summary	330	91.8	4645	2049

The TCC roster: Eastern Area (W3EML, Dir.) — W18 BJG EFW EMG EOB NJM, W2\* FR GKZ MTA PU, K2RYH, WA2\* BHN BLV CAL UWA, WB2RKK, W3-EML, K3MVO, W4\* NLC UQ ZM, K4KNP, W3\* ARZ IXJ UM, K8KMQ, WA8\* POS ZGC. Central Area (WØLCX, Dir.) — W40GG, K4AT, WB4AIN/4, W5KRX, W3\* CXY DND, W49\* RAK VZM, W0\* INH LCX QQQ, KØAEM, WA9\* DOU IAW MLE SDC. Pacific Area (W7DZX, Dir.) — W6\* BGF BNX EOT IPC IPW EMS VNQ VZT, WA6\* BRG LFA ROF, W7\* KZ ZIW, K7HLR, WA7CLF, VE7ZK,

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Independent Net Reports:

Net	Sessions	Check-ins	Traffic
North American SSB.		545	327
North Eastern Traffic		320	540
Clearing House		495	399
ISSB 20 Meter		421	7294
7290		1773	1353
Mike Farad		462	462
75 Meter ISSB		1159	505
QTC		290	130
Hit & Bounce	30	368	593
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#### GEORGE HART, WINIM, Communications Manages ELLEN WHITE, WIYYM, Deputy Comms. Mgr. Administration: LILLIAN M. SALTER, WIZJE Contests: ROBERT HILL, WIARR Training Aids: GERALD PINARD

Here Comes the DX Contest. What DX Contest? You mean there's more than one? Well, we learn something new every day. We're talking about the one which turns the low ends of the DX bands (all six of 'em) into bedlam during four weekends of each year — two in February and two in March. The one in which W's and VE's (oops, we didn't mean to omit the K's, WA's and WB's!) work amateurs in the rest of the world, a process which results in some really colossal pileups on a rare DX station's frequency.

The increasing popularity of DX operating in recent years leads to some speculation as to why this would be so. What's so great about it? In the old days, when amateur radio was comparatively new, the glamor of conversing, or even being heard in far-away places, was a natural attraction; the aim of nearly every amateur was to "see how far he could get" with his home-made gear. Today, the attraction has shifted to a strictly competitive one, to see how many rare ones or how many different "countries" can be worked so that a piece of qualifying colored paper can be applied for and received that attests your operating skill and the efficiency of your equipment, or so that you can be listed among the elite in this particular operating field.

An avid (but not very detailed) search of the records shows that the first DX Contest writeup appeared in QST for May, 1934, but referred to DX Contests prior to that time. The writeup is very vague about these, however, and doesn't even give the dates of the contest it is talking about. So let's say that ARRL started sponsoring its annual DX Contest in the early 30's. As interest in DX increased, partially through the monthly discussion in W1JPE's (now W1DX) "How's DN?" column, a need for a regular award became evident, and in Nov. 1937 QST there was announced the DX Century Club Award, with five amateurs qualifying --- W8CRA, W1BUX, W1TW, W6CXW and G6WY. Since then, DXCC has become a by-word in DX operating; you can't talk about it without mentioning DXCC.

In the annual DX Contest, only a few of the "big boys" are out to win. The rest of the competitors have other motives, and as often as not principal among these is simply to add to their list of "countries" toward DXCC. The contest is an ideal time to do this, and thousands of ordinary amateurs running moderate power take advantage of the opportunity.

DXCC started out as a minor part-time activity of one staff member. As time passed it became more than minor until finally it was a major part of one man, then a principal part, and finally his exclusive job. Recently it became a two-man job, and with the Five-Band DXCC in the works it

ARRL-IARU-SCM-Affiliated Club-Operating Events				
February	March	April		
<ul> <li>1-2 DX Competition, phone (p. 64, Dec. QST).</li> <li>1-16 Novice Roundup (p. 67, Jan. QST).</li> <li>5 Qualifying Run, W6OWP</li> <li>7-9 QCWA QSO Party (p. 83, Dec. QST).</li> <li>8 FMT (p. 95, Jan. QST).</li> <li>8-9 Arizona QSO Party (p. 112, Jan. QST).</li> <li>8-9 Arizona QSO Party (p. 112, Jan. QST).</li> <li>Vermont QSO Party (p. 103, Jan. QST).</li> <li>11 Qualifying Run, W1AW</li> <li>15-16 DX Competition, c.w. (p. 64, Dec. QST).</li> <li>22-23 YL/OM Contest, phone (p. 97, Dec. QST).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>1-2 DX Competition, phone (p. 64, Dec. QST).</li> <li>1-16 IARC Propagation Research Competition; c.w., RTTY (p. 66, this issue).</li> <li>6 Qualifying Run, W60WP</li> <li>8-9 YL/OM Contest, c.w. (p. 97, Dec. QST).</li> <li>12 Qualifying Run, W1AW</li> <li>15-16 DX Competition, c.w. (p. 64, Dec. QST).</li> <li>15-17 B.A.R.T.G. Spring RTTY Contest</li> <li>29-30 West Virginia QSO Party (p. 108, this issue).</li> <li>29-April 13 IARC Propagation Research Competition; phone (p. 66, this issue).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li><sup>2</sup> Qualifying Run, W60WP</li> <li><sup>10</sup> Qualifying Run, W1AW</li> <li><sup>12-14</sup> CD Party (c.w.)*</li> <li><sup>19-21</sup> CD Party (phone)*</li> <li>*League Officials and Communications Dept. appointces, only.</li> <li>June 14-15 VHF QSO Party</li> <li><sup>28-29</sup> Field Day</li> <li>Sept. 13-14 VHF QSO Party</li> <li>Nov. 8-9 SS, phone</li> <li>15-16 SS, c.w.</li> </ul>		

OPERATING EVENTS (Datas in CMT)

NOTE: Possible W6OWP Qualifying Run "alternate" (same times and frequencies) is W6ZRJ.

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For the first time, the S.E. ARRL Division (Atlanta, Sept. 14, 1968) had a League Official meeting, with 100% of the Division LOs present. Seated, L-R. W4HYW past Dir., K45 JH Vice Dir., W4IYT SEC E. Fla., WA4WQU SEC Ga., W4FPI SEC Ala., W4EEE Asst. Dir. Back row, L-R. W4LVV Dir., W4ILE RM E. Fla., Ŵ4YE Acet Dir., WARZL SCM Gα., SCM K4WHW Ala., W4RKH SCM W. Fla., WA4NEV Acting SCM E. Fla. and WB4EPI Pres. Atlanta Radio Club. Also present and taking the photo was W. Fla. SEC W4IKB.



could become even more than that.

In any case, it seems to us that with the upcoming DX Contest and an opportunity for all interested to add to their countries toward DXCC, the criteria for DXCC should be repeated. You will find them elsewhere in this section of OST. Please read them carefully and abide by them to make the issuance of the coveted DXCC award as smooth an operation as possible.

Staff Notes. Mentioned above is the fact that DXCC is now a two-man job. The other man is Al Noone, WB6SAZ, who joined the staff last October as Communications Assistant. Al comes to us from Los Angeles and will be working mostly with W1CW on DXCC, with other duties as time permits (but it doesn't look as though it will!).

This leaves two vacancies: (1) an assistant for contest work to absorb some of the humdrum checking and analysis required on the mountains of logs received. (2) An assistant at W1AW to take on routine maintenance chores, entertain visitors during the day and in general be a "third man" at the headquarters station. Both these positions are best suited to young single amateurs interested in making ARRL staff work a carcer. - WINJM.

#### ELECTION NOTICE

To all ARRL members in the Sections listed below:

You are hereby notified that an election for Section Communications Manager is about to be held in your respective sections. 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 meet the following requirements prior to deadline date listed below: (1) Holder of amateur Conditional Class license or higher, (2) A licensed amateur for at least two years immediately prior to nomination. (3) An ARRL full member for at least one year immediately prior to nomination. Petitions must be received on or before 4:30 p.m. 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, zip code and station

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#### **BRASS POUNDERS LEAGUE**

Winners of BI	L Certifi	cate for	Novem	ber Tra	flic:
Call	Orig.	Recd.	Rel.	Del.	Total
к6ВРІ	6807	1545	1341	204	9897
W3CUL	600	2716	2502	74	5892
W7BA		1186	1095	105	2402
KØONK		1042	1015	28	2203
K7UDG		790	785	.4	1864
WA9CNV		717	715	94	1438
W3VR		596	552	$2\overline{1}$	1398
W9JYO		382	359	24	1186
WA5TYH		543	455	50	1052
WA7HKR		494	475	12	990
WØLCX	17	476	408	12	913
W3EA1L	•••••	425	353	3 U	791
W6RSY		409	242	120	779
WA4DYL	4	399	327	.7	737
WA9MHU		339	235	93	712
WAØPNB		351	350	~î	$-\hat{0}\bar{2}$
W50BD		333	331	.2	690
K3MV8		318	291	16	604
WA2IGQ		296	254	42	626
K7RQZ		296	270	26	620
WB6BBO		291	268	2	607
WIPEX		284	226	17	593
WA1EYY		251	192	54	557
K9FZX		275	271	53	504
W8IXJ		243	124	82	525
Late Reports:					
K6BPI (Oct.)	6827	1499	1283	216	9825
W6GYH (Oct.).	102	445	434	9	890
WB6BBO (Oct.)		286	271	.1	584
WAZDIII (OCL.	12	×0~		20	010
More-Th	an-One	-Opero	ator-Sto	tions	
W6YDK	4186	193	121	72	4572
BPL for 100	or more a	riginal	ions-plus	delirer:	ies
W8IHD 248	WAIGG	N 124	W4FP 1	04	
K4BV/4 220 W9F00 167	WA9QO	Q 119	WAGBY	Z 104 104	
W4ILE 146	W2OE 1	12	WB2WM	NZ 102	
W80UU 146	WB2UV	B 111	WA7JB	M 101	
WAULBB 145	WITXL	110	WB9GJ	U 101 Zoporta	
WB6HYA 135	WASING	č 109	WOMLE	' (Sept	.) 279
K1PNB 134	W4RHA	109	WONLE	(Aug	) 275
WA4TWD 134 W2TN 190	WAIHO	105	WB6HV		.) 184
W8LT 128	N#RDQ	100	WB2UV	B (Ort	) 145
			KIPNB	Oct.	) 135

#### More-Than-One-Operator-Stations K2DEL/2 265

R2DED/2 265 BPL Medallions (see July, 1668 (ST, p. 99) have been awarded to the following anateurs since last nonth's listings: WA3EKP, WA31YS, W8GAI, 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 a sum origination and delivery points of 100 or more for any calendar month. All messages must be handled on amateur frequencies within Ay hours of roadint in cfondord 4 DD L form within 48 hours of receipt in standard ARRL form.

call of the candidate and signers 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.

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 names of all eligible candidates.

The following nominating form is suggested. (Signers should be sure to give city, street address and zip code.)

Communications Manager, ARRL [Place and date] 225 Main St., Newington, Conn. 06111

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.

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

- George Hart, W1NJM, Communications Manager

Section	Closing Date	SCM	Term Ends
North Carolina Michigan British Columbia Washington Santa Bar.	Feb. 10, 1969 Feb. 10, 1969 Feb. 10, 1969 Feb. 10, 1969 Feb. 10, 1969 Mar. 3, 1969	Barnett S. Dodd Ralph P. Thetreau H. E. Savage William R. Watson Cecil D. Hinson	Apr. 10, 1969 Apr. 26, 1969 May 1, 1969 May 3, 1969 Aug. 10, 1966

West Indies	Mar. 3, 1969	A. R. Crumley, Jr.	Jan. 10, 1968
East Bay	Mar. 3, 1969	Richard Wilson	Feb. 10, 1968
Arkansas	Mar. 3, 1969	Curtis R. Williams	Resigned
os Angeles	Mar. 10, 1969	D. R. Etheredge	May 18, 1969
5.C.V.	Mar. 10, 1969	Edward T. Turner	Resigned
laine	Apr. 10, 1969	Herbert A. Davis	June 9,1969
regon	Apr. 10, 1969	Dale T. Justice	June 10, 1969
l'ennessee	Apı. 10, 1969	Harry A. Phillips	June 14, 1969
E. Pa	Apr. 10, 1969	G. S. Van Dyke, Jr.	June 15, 1969
outh Dakota	Apr. 10, 1969	Seward P. Holt	July 3,1969

#### 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.

Kentucky	George S. Wilson, III, W4OYI	Nov. 12, 1968
Sacramento Valley	John F. Minke, III, WA6JDT	Feb. 25, 1969
Orange	Roy R. Maxson, W6DEY	Mar. 1, 1969

#### ARRL CODE PROFICIENCY PROGRAM

#### Qualifying Runs

Any person can apply for an ARRL code proficiency award. Neither League 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 (10-35 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. Each month the ARRL Activities Calendar notes the qualifying run dates for W1AW and W60WP (W6ZRJ, alternate) for the coming 3-month period.

🕲 DX CENTURY CLUB AWARDS 🧖								
From	November 1, through ries have been issued	November 30, 1968, D by the ARRL Commu	XCC certificates based o inications Department to	n contacts with the Amateurs li	100-or-more sted below.	Ŭ		
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		Radio	telephone					
11LCK247 W9QLD239 PY1WJ237 W3AES160 W3ZNH154 WA2CLQ152 W1DNZ137	W6NTQ136 WB4BAP135 K9G28128 W6VVM122 G3WG5120 TJ1AQ119 K4UHC/5118	VE3DXV/ W6115 HICNF114 VVISA114 KIGXU110 KØILI/KG6.110 WA2CRD110	WA7BP8110 W4RJC108 H1DAB106 K2QLL106 K5HUW106 K5HUW106 DK2BI103	WA9DJO1 K40SE1 OE1HGW1 HB9ALB1 JA4WI1 K9HKJ1 W8HJ1	03 WAØT 02 9Y4V7 02 DJ7K, 01 k1DE 01 W2EV 01 W2GT 01 WB6L WA9U	YH101 101 J100 P100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 		
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W1AW will transmit a qualifying run on all listed c.w. frequencies at 0230 GMT Feb. 11. (In converting, 0230 GMT Feb. 11 becomes 2130 EST Feb. 10.)

W6OWP (W6ZRJ, alternate) will transmit a qualifying run on 3590 and 7129 kHz. 0500 GMT Feb. 5. (In converting, 0500 GMT Feb. 5 becomes 2100 PST Feb. 4.)

#### **Code** Practice

WIAW transmits daily code practice according to the following schedule. For practice purposes, the order of words in each line may be reversed during the 5-13 w.p.m. transmissions.

Speeds	Local times/days	GMT times/days
10, 13, 15	7:30 P.M. EST daily 4:30 P.M. PST	0030 daily
5, 10, 15, 20, 25	9:30 P.M. EST SnTTh 6:30 P.M. PST Sat	0230 MWFSn
35, 30, 25, 20, 15	9:30 P.M. EST MWF 6:30 P.M. PST	0230 TThSat

The 0230 GMT practice is omitted four times a year on designated nights when Frequency Measuring Tests are made in this period. To permit improving your fist by sending in step with W1AW (but not over the air!), and to allow checking the accuracy of your copy on certain tapes, note the GMT dates and texts to be sent in the 0230 GMT practice on the following dates:

Date	Subject	of	practice	text i	from	Decem	ber	QS	Ι
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Feb. 10: It Seems to Us, p. 9

- 13: What Is RTTY?, p. 11 Feb.
- Feb. 19: Is A Balun Required?, p. 28
- Feb. 25: The Case For Belonging, p. 72 Date Subject of practice text from Understanding Amateur Radio, First Edition March 3: Why Impedance is Important, p. 99

March 7: Directivity, p. 100

#### **1968 ARRL SWEEPSTAKES**

#### **High Claimed Scores**

Following are high claimed scores of entries received by December 20, From left to right: call, claimed score, number of contacts, number of section-multipliers. Official results will appear in a later issue.

PH	ONE	WA2CLQ	107,013- 613-70
WA3GJII	198.313-1047-75	WA8LYF	106,726- 731-73
K VAEZ	187 500-1000-75	W3GM	106,671- 565-73
W2RLM	173.625- 935-75	KIJHX	106,500- 751-71
WASIVN	155 863- 848-74	W5PWG	106,375- 575-74
KADOC (WAS	LEO opr.)	KITHQ	105,820- 721-74
100000	149.572- 811-74	W4BVV	104,475- 702-75
WA7FFI	148,500- 690-75	WA9NSR	104.155- 563-74
W5WMŬ	144,814- 796-73	WA8PZA	103,250- 590-70
W8SH (K1ZN	D. opr.)	W2DXL	102,656- 549-75
	140.025- 939-75	W8QXQ	102,109- 562-73
W4MCM	138,490- 923-75	WB6OLD/6	101,892- 569-71
K2EIU/5	137,714- 933-74	WA9IAT/5	101,353- 574-71
W3GRF (K1A	NV. opr.)	K5AEU	100,500- 541-75
	133 594- 715-75	K3MNJ/8	100,375- 550-73
W4ETO (WA4	UUG. on.)	WA7FOE	100,309- 586-69
	132 273- 935-71	K9LBQ/7	100,101- 551-73
WAYT (KAKC	A. opr.)	K5LZO (K5LZ	O, WA5LES)
	131 628- 714-74		170,550-1163-75
WARSDC	131,550- 877-75	KØUKN (KØs	CVA UKN)
K4PUZ/4	131.490- 736-72		154,781- 854-75
WA50XD	131.237- 732-74	W9BGX (K9W	/EH, W9ICE)
W9DOB (WA)	SPJZ, opr.)		120,816- 839-72
	130.989- 741-71	W3ZKH (K3E	ST, W3ZKH)
K4LPW	130.875- 699-75		111,962-757-74
K5RHZ	130.488- 715-73	K8RMK (W40	JR, K8RMK)
KP4AST	128.850- 864-75		107,460- 598-72
KØWBD	128.760- 696-74	WADCJU (8 oj	prs.)
WAØEMS	127.650- 868-74		101,932- 753-68
W9ROM	127.313- 681-75		
K4RIN/5	123.808- 855-73		
W3AZD	117.238- 803-73	_	
K7UKC	115.344- 814-72	С,	. w.
W3YUW	113.040- 630-72	K4GSU/3	133.125- 754-71
K4BVD/6	112.650-754-75	KV4FZ	132.375- 783-74
K3HKK (K3A	HT, opr.)	W5FL	131,705- 752-71
	111,925- 605-74	KILPL	131,535- 711-74
W3GHM	110,686- 607-73	K1ANV/4	131,309- 721-73
W4KFC	107,250-716-75	WA6IVN	129,315- 708-74
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#### WIAW SCHEDULE, FEBRUARY 1969

The ARRL Maxim Memorial Station welcomes visitors. Operating-visiting hours are Monday through Friday 3 P.M.-3 A.M. EST, Saturday 7 P.M.-2:30 A.M. EST and Sunday 3 P.M.-10:30 P.M. EST. The station address is 225 Main Street, Newington, Conn., about 7 miles south of Hartford. A map showing local street detail will be sent upon request. If you wish to operate, you must have your original operator's license with you. The station will be closed February 21, in observance of George Washington's birthday.

GMT*	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday BTTY OBS <sup>3</sup>	Friday	Saturday
0030	<	C	ODE PRACT	ICE DAILY <sup>1</sup>	10-13-15 w.p.m.		
0100	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		······		OBS1		
0120-01304	• • • • • • • • • • •	••••	7.020	3.520	7.150°	3.700°	7.020
0130	• • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • •	7.080	3.555	7.150°	3 <b>.70</b> 0°	7.080
0200	••••••••••••			PHONE	0BS <sup>2</sup> ———		→
0205-02304		• • • • • • • • • • • •	3.820	50.120	145.600	1.820	3.820
0230	< <u>←</u> COI	DE PRACTIC	E DAILY <sup>1</sup> (3	5-15 w.p.m. '	rThSat), (5-25 w	.p.m. MWFS	n)>
0330-04004		• • • • • • • • • • •	3.555		1.805		3.555
0400	RTTY OBS <sup>3</sup>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			RTTY OBS <sup>3</sup> —		
0410-0430 <sup>4</sup>			3.625	14.095	7.095	14.095	3.625
0430	Phone OBS <sup>2</sup>				PHONE OBS <sup>2</sup>		>
0435-0500 <sup>4</sup>			7.220	3.820	7.220	3.820	7.220
0500	C.W. OBS <sup>1</sup>	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	<u></u>				
0520-0530 <sup>4</sup>			3.7006	$7.150^{6}$	3.520	7.220	3.520
0530			3,7006	7.150 <sup>6</sup>	3.555	7.255	3.555
0600-0700			7.080	3,945	14.100	3.555	7.080
0700-0800			14.280	7.255	3.945	14.100	14.280
2000-2100		14.280	$21/28^{5}$	14.095	$21/28^{5}$	14.280	<b></b>
2100-2200		14.100	14,280	14.100	14.280	14.100	
2300-2345	•••••	7.255	$21/28^{5}$	21.16	21/285	7.255	• • • • • • • • • •

<sup>1</sup>C.W. OBS (bulletins, 18 w.p.m.) and code practice on 1.805, 3.52, 7.02, 14.02, 21.02, 28.02, 50.02 and 145.6 MHz. <sup>2</sup> Phone OBS (bulletins) 1.82, 3.82, 7.22, 14.22, 21.27, 28.52, 50.12, and 145.6 MHz.
 <sup>3</sup> RTTY OBS (bulletins) 3.625, 7.095, 14.095, 21.095 and 29.015 MHz.

<sup>4</sup> Starting time approximate. Operating period follows conclusion of bulletin or code practice.

<sup>5</sup> Operation will be on one of the following frequencies; 21.02, 21.08, 21.27, 21.41, 28.02 or 28.52 MHz.

<sup>6</sup> W1AW will listen in the Novice segments for Novices, on the hand indicated, transmitting on the frequency shown. <sup>7</sup> Bulletins sent with 170-Hertz shift, repeated with 850-Hertz shift.

Maintenance Staff; W1s QIS WPR. \*Times-days in GMT. Operating frequencies are approximate.

## February 1969

K3NPV/4	127,750- 702-73	W4HM	108.630- 604-72
W9LKJ	126,746- 700-73	W1BPW	105,968- 597-71
W3YUW	125,344- 669-75	K6VVA/6	105,960- 603-71
WA9ITB	125,060- 679-74	WA3IXN	104,104- 606-69
K4PUZ/4	124,921- 689-73	W9HHX	103,751- 569-73
K4WJT	123,375- 658-75	K6EBB	103,320- 574-72
K8UDJ (K12	ND, opr.)	WAIJTM	103,045- 557-74
	122,830- 693-71	W3GHM	101,353- 572-71
W5WMU	121,233- 694-71	WIYK (KIT	KS, opr.)
WA7KUW	120,611- 682-71		100,826- 586-69
K2KIR	119,014- 671-71	WA2WLN	100,826- 586-69
K5YAA	118,990- 671-73	WA3HTQ	100,740- 584-69
W7DI	118,392- 667-71	W8QDH	100.739- 584-69
K5AEU	118,213- 681-70	W5QJH	100,440- 703-72
K2EIU/5	117,142- 793-74	K4LPW	100,376- 568-71
W3IN	116,070- 636-73	WA1DJG	100,080- 559-72
W9RQM	115,979- 637-73	W3CRE	100,080- 556-72
WA3DSZ	115,560- 642-72	W9RGB	100,080- 558-72
W8QXQ	114,701- 630-73	W6RW (W6)	DQX, K9ZMS)
WAØCVS	112,975- 639-71		186,188- 994-75
W4KFC	112,200- 749-75	K5LZO (4 oj	prs.)
K5RHZ	110,960- 608-73		163,050-1100-75
W3DPJ	110,304- 624-71	WA8LYF (V	VA8s GUF LYF)
K2KTK	109,500- 600-73		114,570- 637-7

#### DXCC Criteria

The ARRL Countries List is the result of some 31 years of progressive changes in DXing. The full list will not necessarily conform completely with the criteria since some of the listings were set up and recognized from pre-WWII. The general policy has, however, remained substantially the same in the makeup of the list and only specific mileages have been added. The specific mileages in Point 2(a) and Point 3, mentioned in the following, have been used in considerations made April 1960, and after. The specific mileage in Point 2(b) is being used in considerations made in and after April, 1963.

Any land area in the world can be placed in one or more of the following categories. Where the area in question meets at least one of the points in the criteria it may be considered a separate entity, i.e. a country, for our Countries List:

- 1. Government/Administration; An area by reason of Government or a distinctively separate administration constitutes a separate entity.
- 2. Separation by water; An island, or a group of islands, not having its own government or distinctively separate administration, is considered as a separate entity under the following conditions:

2(a). Islands situated off shore from their governing or administrative area, must be geographically separated by a minimum of 225 miles of open water. This point is concerned with islands off shore from the mainland only. This point is not concerned with islands which are part of an island group or are geographically located adjacent to an island group.

2(b). Islands forming part of an island group or which are geographically located adjacent to an island, or island group, which have a common government or administration, will be considered as separate entities provided there is at least 500 miles of open water separation between the two areas in question.

3. Separation by foreign land: In the case of a Country, such as that covered by Point 1, which has a common government or administration but which is geographically separated by land which is foreign to that Country, if there is a complete separation of the Country in question by a minimum of 75 miles of foreign land, the Country is considered as two separate entities. This 75 miles of land is a requirement which is applicable to land areas *only*. In cases of areas made up of a chain of islands, there is no minimum requirement concerned with the separation by foreign land.



# Strays S

The Colonie Central High School (Albany, N. Y.) will man WA2DNR from 1300 (JMT February 22 until 0100 (JMT February 23, 1969 in the very first of their planned "Operation's Days." Trustee W2KZN says that the main purpose of the operation is to acquaint the school hams with contest-type activity and multiband-multitransmitter operation. Keep an ear open for WA2DNR in the middle of the 80- and 40-meter Novice bands, 15- and possible 10-meter s.s.b. and 6 and 2, phone. Be on hand to give the fellows a QSO!

#### Stolen Equipment

The following equipment was stolen from the Grumman ARC: Collins 75S3 receiver Serial No. 10779, Collins 32S1 transmitter Serial No. 10891, and Collins 312-B4 station control Serial No. 52495. Anyone with information please contact Ray Schubnel, 29 Sterling Lane, Smithtown, N.Y. 11787.

A Swan 350 Transceiver, serial C-296111, was stolen from the car of Eugene O'Brien, WA1FJF, in Hartford, the morning of Dec. 12. The thief could not have been too well informed about amateur mobile gear. He cut the power cable, when it could have been disconnected by a plug on the back of the transceiver, and left the mobile supply in the car. Anyone having information on this item is requested to notify WA1FJF, 143 Coppermill Road, Wethersfield, Conn., 06109.

#### Feedback

In the article by Peterson and Williams on page 16 of QST January 1969 entitled "Notes on The SB-300/SB-301 and SB-401," the additional contact should be added to position 5 on switch wafer M4R, not position 4.

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Readers are calling it to our attention, and writing to the author, WA2VTR, to point out that we gave no information on the r.f. choke in his 1296-Mc. preamplifier article in December, 1968, QST, page 40. Dolph assures us that the choke is not critical, and that 7 turns of No. 28 wire,  $\frac{1}{18}$  inch diameter, spaced one wire diameter, will do nicely.



• 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

DELAWARE-SCM, John L. Penrod, K3NYG-SEC/ PAM: W3DKX, RM: W3EEB, Endorsements: K3GKF us OO; W3DKX as PAM. The 1969 Delaware Hamfest will be held Aug. 17 at Whellers Park, Harrington, Del. Mark your new calendars now, Business is cutting into W3EEB's traffic-handling time, WA3GQY and WA3HD are on 2 meters. W2DXL/K3NHL is holding skeds with K3NMY, W3HKS enjoyed the Delaware QSO Contest, The University amateur station, WA3GAY, is being put back on the air under the leadership of WA3GSAI, K3NVV is back on the air as a portable, W3QQV has joined the list of returces. WA3DYG reports the response to the RACES drive is excellent. DEPN, QNI, 70 QTC 6; DSAIN, QNI 41; DTMN, QNI 37, QPIC 5. Traffic: W3DKX 69, W3EEB 29, WA3GSMI 21, K3NYG 12, WA3HWC 11, W3HKS 3, WA3KFF 3, WA3DUM 1, K3NVV 1.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA—SCM, George S, Yan Dyke, Jr., W3HK—SEC: W3AES, RMs: W3EML, K3-MVO, K3YVG, W3MPX, PAMs: K3MYS, K3WAJ, V.H.F. PAM: W3FGQ, OBS reports were received from W33AFI, W31D, K3WEU, K3EMA, WA3INC and WA3-EEC; OVS reports from K3WEU, W3CL, WA3IAZ, WA3BJQ; OO reports from K3MYS, W3NNC, K3RDT, K3EMA.

Net	Freq.	Operates		QNI	QTC	RM/PAM
EPA PTTN PFN EPAEP&TN VHF (6) VHF (2)	3610 3610 3960 3917 50.25 145.35	Daily Daily Daily Daily MonFr MonFr	6:45P 6:00P 5:30P 6:00P i. 7:00P i. 8:00P	366 275 595 541	401 205 595 241	K3YVG W3MPX K3MYS K3WAJ W3FGQ W3FGQ

VHF (2) 145.35 Mon.-Fri. 8:00P
WBYCiQ
VHF (2) 145.35 Mon.-Fri. 8:00P
WBYCiQ
Reports on the recent FMT: W3JET 9.7 p.p.m., K3HNP
2.5, K3EMA 30.4, W3BFF 0.6, K3PSW 34.2, K3NOX
132.4, W3NNC 0.4, W3BFF 0.6, K3PSW 34.2, K3NOX
132.4, W3NNC 0.4, W3BFF 0.6, K3PSW 34.2, K3NOX
132.4, W3NNC 0.4, W3BEK 35.5, SS messages were received from WA3DNV, W3DQO, W3YUW, W3PNL, WA3JKK, K3HNP, WA3DZZ, K3HTZ, WA3HY, WA3JKK, K3HNP, WA3DZZ, K3HTZ, WA3HY, WA3JKK, K3HNP, WA3DZZ, K3HTZ, WA3JKK, K3HNP, WA3DQO, W3NNL, W3GHM and W3-GM, WA3JQO, W3NNL, W3GHM and W3-GM, WA3DYY, chmn.; W3OML, vice-chmn.; W3KJJ, secy. The Delaware Valley Chapter elected W3HK, chmn.;
W2AEW, vice-chmn.; W2FJ, treas.; W2AEK, vice-tres.; WA3ATK, treas.; WA3FPP, K3SYE, K3ANS vice-pres.; WA3GUL, corr, secy.; WA3ATK, treas.; WA3FPP, K3SYE, K3ANI, K30DU, directors. The Philmont Mobile Radio Club elected K3-UWO, pres.; WA3EXA got his A ticket. WA3CTW is at M.I.T. operating W1MX and is now Extra Class.
WA3EXB worked portable at the UCPA Hazaar, K3WEU is going great guns with his V.H.F. Hook Review Net. WA3HV, still is struggling with a Novice traffic net. HPL certificates went to W3CUL W3VR, W3EML, K3MYS, WA3HNC, WA3HUV and W3A3ADJ. W3CHD received his A-1 Operator certificate. W3NNL kept skeds by taking gear along on a deer-hunting trip! K3WEU is starting classes for hams at the Akiba Hebrew Academy and the Vanguard School. At the antenna party at WA3AFT's was W3ZAT. WA3GHU, W3TTW, WA3HER and WN3KTP.
W3RW has a new R4A receiver and an SB-400, WA3ECG suspected a ground on his antenna; he was right, it was on the ground! K3RZE has moved from MPA to EPA.
WA3EWV got his A ticket. The Marion ARC has started its second year of ham classes. The IRC ARC is putting

up a 4-band single-feed antenna. W3ABT, at U, of P., has acquired a GR frequency standard and a complete S/Line. Please note PFN is now daily and that V.H.F. (2) is on 145.35 Mc. Trathic: W3CUL 5892, W3VR 1398, W3EML 791, K3MYS 633, W3MPN 346, WA3AOJ 313, W3CTD 280, W3ERL 280, WA3INC 164, K3MVO 163, W3AIZ 149, WA3IRV 139, W3HNK 136, WA3EXW 123, WA3CTP 113, WA3IKE 80, W3NNL 77, W3FGQ 74, W3-HK 73, K3O1O 70, K1YVG 68, WA3EXE 65, W3FPC 57, WA3FCP 53, WA3GUK 52, K3VBA 52, K3WEU 49, K3-WAJ 41, WA3AFI 27, W3BNR 33, WA3HAIU 30, K3KKO 20, W3CBH 19, WA3HV 19, W3KJJ 14, K3RUA 14, W3-RV 14, WA3EEC 13, WA3INC 11, W3KQE 10, W3OY 10, K3PSO 10, W3VAP 10, K3NPC 9, K3MIDG 8, K3KTH 7, K3EMA 6, K3RZE 6, WA3FPB 5, W3JKN 4, W3ADE 3, WA3ADN 3, WA3BUQ 2, WA3EWV 2, WA3IAZ 2, W3-ABT 1, W3EU 1, W3FAF 1, W3ID 1, W3PST 1, W3PF 1.

MARYLAND-DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA-Carl E. Andersen, K3JYZ-SEC; W3LDD.

Net	Freq.	Time	Days	Sess.	QTC	QNI	Mgr.
						Avg.	
MDD	3643	000 <b>0Z</b>	Daily	30	339	13.7	WA3HTQ, RM
MDDS	3643	0130Z	Daily	23	43	4.5	W3CBG, RM
MDCTN	3920	2300Z	S-T-T-S	17	87	18.5	K3GZK, PAM
MEPN	3920	2300Z	M-W-F	*			K3IAG
		1800Z	S-S				
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\*Not reported by the net managers New appointees: K2TNO/3 as OO Class IV. Endorsed appointents: K3NCM as OPS; W3FU as OO Class I; W3CZ as OO Class IV; W3TN as ORS; W3JZY as PAM, OPS and ORS; W3BWT as ORS; W3BQV as OO Class III. This is my 24th and last report as your SCM and I would like to express my gratitude for the activity, cooperation and hard work all of the A1RL appointees in this section have exhibited for the past two years. The 75 appointees are doing a fine job in carrying the public service task for the over 2000 ARRL members in the section. W3CDQ added a YL's touch to the Oct. CD Party ou c.w. W3CNW is repairing antennas damaged by the first winter storm. W3FU sent in about a pound of Intruder Watch reports. W3GN has been debugging equipment between contests. K3LFD has been appointed Asst. Director. W3TN made the BPL, for the hospital in Jan. W3EOV is involved with "J-K" logic and hopes he doesn't flip before he flops. WN3KBU is QRL on WAS with 10 confirmed. WAstorm. W3ZINY is quelt on wASIRQ is near motion was antennas in the season's first snow storm. WA3JBY reports on the musical qualities of the QRM heard on MDD. W3ATQ is rebuilding his 2ureter and antennas in the season's first snow storm. WA3JBY reports on the musical qualities of the QRM heard on MDD. W3ATQ is rebuilding his 2ureter and antennas in the season's first snow storm. WA3JBY reports on the musical qualities of the SK LTFRX/3 is a new active station in MDC. W3MYB was active on both phone and c.w. in the SS Contest. WA3EOP reports that his new HW-100 transceiver is a good piece of equipment. K32CR is assembling a new Hunter 2000c kit. Traffic: W6UCE/3 239, W3TN 238, W3ATQ 160, K3TZ 150, W3ZY 16, W33IAQ 5, WA3JJR 8, K3QDC 7.

SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY-SCM, Edward G. Raser, W2ZI-ASSL SCM; Charles E. Travers, W2-YPZ. SEC: W2LVW. RMs: WA2KIP, WA2BLV. PAMs: WA2UVB, W2ZI. NJEPN reports a QNI of 621 and traffic total of 261. NJN reports QNI of 609, traffic 351. The N.J. QSO Party was a big success again this year. W2ZI took first place for Mercer Co. Some 650 attended the SJRA Picnic at Molea Farms Sept. 8. Assemblyman Aikens, W2VJH, was mostly responsible for getting the amateur license plate bill passed. His interest is much appreciated. The N.J. Emergency Phone & Traffic Net's 10th Annual Dinner was held Oct. 19 at Bahers Tavern, near

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Freehold, W2ZI officially turned over the net managership to W2PEV, after 15 years of service to the net. We regret to report the passing on Nov. 25 of W2WOA, a long-time member of the DVRA and its treasurer. Ex-W2H3ZJ/W2FK/K41K is now W2JI, back in Pennington. W2VU is in Hawaii. W2YPZ was in the hospital. W2DNF is a new station reporting from Princeton. WB2QMA is a new NJEPN member in Lawrencevile. W2ZI attended the Goldcoasters meeting at Deerfield Beach, Fla. Nov. 18 and met over 40 old-timers he had known back in the earlier days. He also visited W4AQW, spark in Trenton in 1923. W2PU is taking on a TCC appointment. W2EFIE has a new linear, a pair of 4-400As. WB2TEN, K2PZF, W2UI, K2CPR, WB2QMA, WA2BLV, WA2DVU, WA2WLN and K2BG sent in Sweepstakes reports. W2CDZ passed the Advanced Class exams. The SNJ & EPA V.H.F. Net has moved from 50.25 to 50.4 Traffic: (Nov.) WA2ABY 217. WB2VEJ 178, W2ORS 148, WB2UVB 135, WA2BLV 113, W2YPZ 104, W2PU 711, W2ZI 62, WA2kIF 41, W2BLAI 30, WA2WLN 27, WA2-ANL 18, K2SHE 18, WB2FAE 17, W2U 15, K2JJC 15, W2DNF 10, W2CDZ 5, K2SOL 4, WB2SFX 2. (Oct.) WB2UVB 225.

WESTERN NEW YORK-SCM, Richard M. Pitzeruse, K2KTK-Asst, SCM: Rudy W. Ehrhardt, W2-PVI, SEC: W2RUF, RMS: W2FR, W2MTA, W2RUF, K2KIR, PAM: WB2VSL, Nets:

Net	Freq.	Local Time	Days	Mgr.
NYS	3675	1900	Daily	W2MTA
NYSPTEN	3925	1800	Daily	K2AAS
NY PON	3912	1645	Daily	K2KQC
NYSCN	3675	1000	Sun.	W2RUF
NYSCN	3675	1945	Mon., Thurs., Fri.	W2RUF
ESS	3590	1800	Daily	WA2VYS

ESS 3590 1800 Daily WA2VYS Please note the above list as space will not allow me to repeat it monthly. Congrats to WB2VSL, a new PAM. Endorsements: W2RUF as SEC, W2SSC as OO, WA2-IYB/TFV, WN2NZA and WB2RHJ as OPSs: K2RYH as ORS. OOS W2BLP, K2KIR, K2LGJ and K2LWR easily qualified for Class I OO in the Nov. FMT. WB2VSL is building a new linear using four 4X150As. NYSPTEN to report handling 240 messages in Sept. and 249 in Oct. Check-ins numbered 1568 and 1705, respectively. Sorry to report the passing of W2MXH, well known on NYSPTEN. WB2HLI takes over as asst. mgr. of the NYPON from W2TGY, who Q8Ys to Florida. W2JPE is the trustee of W2PE, the RAWNY club call. Congrats to WB2EDT on his new Advanced Class license. W2EDT spent a week camping in the Adirondacks and during that time introduced five fellow campers to ham radio. W2RUF gave an informative talk on AREC at the recent Fulton ARC hamfest. K2ZEL also gave an enlightening talk. The new ARRL Net Directory is now available for the asking from Hq. W42YNS has a new 3-band quad up 50 feet and a new linear, WB2NZA goes back to higher learning. W42AWK, Onondaga County EC, weeds out the deadwood and still has a sizeable contingency there. WA2PZD needs but 2 Q8Ls to clinch his WAS. W2CFP mourns the loss of his 2-mr/er antenna, a victim of the north wind. OO WB2YQH notes that DXpeditons cause band activity and violations to jump. The RARA aided a local radio station in its drive for funds to huy toys for hospitalized children. Ernest G. Beetow extends sincere appreciation to The South Towns Amateur Radio Society, which sent a contribution to the late Marion H. Beetow, The RARA Hamfest bash will be May 10. BPL-W2OE, who else? Traffic: W2OE 339. W2FR 333. W42CAL 295. WB2CAL 279. W2BUF 149. WEADYE 143. W2QC 138. W2HYM 68. W24RDF 52. WA2-HSB 42. WB2VND 73. W2HYM 68. W24RDF 52. WA2-HSB 42. WB2VND 73. W2HYM 68. W24RDF 52. WA2-HSB 42. WB2VND 74. W24RYK 8. WA24NE 7. WB2NZA 7. WA2GLA 6. W2CFP 5. WB2EDT 4. W2ENTEN 14. K2KIR 12. WA2FD 12. K22NIR 12.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA-SCM, John F. Woitkiewicz, W3GJY-SEC: W3KPJ. PAM: W3WFR. RMs: WA3AKH, W3KUN, W3MFB. W3NEM. Traffic nets: KSSN, 2330 GMT; W. Pa. OOOO GMT. both on 3585 kc. W31Y1 received a 25-year membership pin from ARRL New gear at WA3DBN's QTH consists of a new Galaxv V. At W30FI it's an NC-303 receiver. Amateurs in Elk County should contact W3-PMX if interested in emergency work; also K3SMB in Alleghenv County and WA3BSP in Washington County. If in doubt as to the EC in your county, drop your SEC. W3KPJ, an inquiry. W3VKD is now W3TV. WN3KKL will be a General by the time this gets in print. New Novices: WN3LJB, at Meadowlands; WN3LLX, at Delmont, who is only 12 years old. The Erie AREC group assisted local police in protecting youngsters during their Halloween evening curvass of homes. Those participating were W3JTF, K3IOX, WA3HBV, K3QAY, K3HFL, WA3DPI, K3-QWZ, K3HDK, WA3HRJ, K3ATZ, WA3ISN and K3-TDD. This is providing a public service and good training. WA3CZE has relocated to Denver, Colo. K3UEQ has gone s.b. A big welcome back to W3LKZ, W3YZA, W3LPF and WA3AKH after brief sojourns in hospitals. K3AKR and WA3GJU have been pouring it on in various contests as has the Nittany ARC gang. Old Timer W3CN has been re-activating his operations. The Etna Radio club improves its score with each Field Day operation. W3ELZ is revamping his old linear amplifier for s.s.b. and DX work. WA3HSQ lost his tower and beau in strong Dec. winds. W3MFB is back on the traffic nets, being off because of the untimely passing of his son in an auto mislap. Add a New Year's resolution—To be more active in the many facets of operations offered on the annateur bands. W3LMIM passed the Annateur Extra exam. New appointment; W3YMX as EC for Elk County. Renewals: W3MFB as RM, W3MIFB and WA3BGE as OKSs. Is your license due for a renewal? Traffic: (Nov.) WA3IPU 241, W3-NEM 177, K3ZNP 168, W3IDS 119, W3AFB 71, W3-NEM 177, K3ZNP 168, W3IDS 119, W3AFB 71, W3-K3SJN 14, WA3AKH 12, K3SMB 11, WA3GFK 8, W2-KAT/3 7, WA3JDT 6, W3LOD 6, W3IDO 5, W3RUL 4, W3ELZ 3, WA3HSI 3. (Oct.) WA3KH 166.

#### CENTRAL DIVISION

ILLINOIS—SCM, Edmond A. Metzger, W9PRN→ SEC: W9RYU. PAMs: WA9CCP and WA9PDI (v.h.f.). Cook County EC: W9HPG. Net reports:

Net	Freq.	Times	Days	Tfc.
IEN	3940 kc.	1400Z	Sun.	24
ILN	3760 kc.	0100Z	Daily	132
NCPN	3915 kc.	1300Z	MonSat.	724
NCPN	3915 kc.	1800Z	MonSat.	
III. PON	3915 kc.	2245Z	MonFri.	
III. PON	3915 kc.	1430Z	MonFri.	518
lll. PON	145.5 Mc.	0300Z	M.W.F.	150
TNT Net	145.35 Mc.	0300Z	SunFri.	276

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HSK 13, K9RAS 11, WA9DBP 10, W9HPG 10, W9PRN 10, K9TXJ 9, W9LNQ 8, WA9QXT 7, WA9LHU 5, W91DY 3, K9DTB 1.

INDIANA-SCM, William C. Johnson, W9BUQ-Asst. SCM: Mrs. M. Roberta Kroulik, K9IVG. SEC: W9BUQ.

Nets	Freq.	Time	Nov. Tfc.	Mgr.
IFN	3910	1330Z Daily 2300 M-F	238	K9IVG
ISN	3910	0000Z Daily 2300Z S-S	560	K9CRS
QIN	3656	0100Z Daily	176	W9HRY
Ind. PON	3910	1245Z Sun.	37	K9EFY
Ind. PON	V.H.F. 50.7	02002 MonThurs.	8 <b>3</b>	WA9NLE

Ind. PON 3910 12452 Sun. 34 K92M 1
 Ind. PON V.H.F. 50.7 02002 Mon.-Thurs. 53 WA9NLE
 W9PMT, mgr. of the Hoosier V.H.F. Nets, reports Nov. traffic as 90. W9AUM is operating WA9WFE at Hanover College, K9EFY has his Advanced Class Incense. WA9YKA has his Extra Class license. WA9YKA has his Extra Class license. WA9YKA are new in southern Indiana. WA9XNJ has a new S.S.B. on 6. W9JQB is keeping a sked with Cincinnati, Ohio on 6 three days a week. WA9NIJ has s.s.b. on 6. WA9KLY has a new tower. The Annual Lake County ARC Banquet will be held at Teibels Feb. 8, 1969. The committee includes WA9TOL, WA9-RMT, WA9MOE, WA9BKD K, WA9KDE MA9DE, K9EKD, W9ZAA, K9ULU and W9-PUB. WA9INF now has a TA-33 at 50 feet. K9LSB has a complete Drake Line station. WA9QKD reports 50.4 activity slow. W9BUQ is now a Life Member in the ARRL, WA9ENL has a new baby girl at his QTH. To all League appointers please check your certificates for endorsement dates. QIN Honor Roll: W9BDP 29, K9VHY 25. K9DHC 22, K9HYV 18, W9QLW 18, QIN meeds more net control to help out. Amateur radio exists because of the service it renders. BLc certificates went to W9JYO. K9IYG, K9FZX. W9EQO and WA9-QOQ. Traffic: (Nov.) W9JYO 1186, K9IYG 616, K9-FZX 534, W9EQO 481, W9HRY 207, WA9YZM 234, W91CU 236, WA9EDQ 481, W9HRY 207, WA9YZM 234, W91CU 236, WA9EDQ 481, W9HRY 207, WA9YZM 234, W91CW 23, W9FWH 20, K9JYY 10, WA9GGY 23, WA9FKY 23, K9CPY 17, K9ERM 30, WA9BKOF 28, WA9FKYZ 35, K9CBY 34, W91EM 30, WA9KOF 18, W9RWQ 28, WA9KYG 23, WA9ENT 10, WA9KOF 12, WA9CH 14, WA9CH 14, WA9EDG 14, W9DOK 13, W9FWH 20, K90YX 20, WA9-TIN 51, W9ASHY 17, K9ERM 48, K9EFY 41, K9VIN 40, WA9GGY 24, WA9FKYZ 23, K9CPY 17, K9ERM 48, K9EFY 41, K9VIN 40, WA9GGY 14, W30CH 15, WA99KNG 10, WA9BKNG 10, WA9GENG 14, W30CH 15, W9ENNA 10, WA9GENG 14, W30CH 15, W30CH 15, W30CH 15, WA9CHY 10, WA9CHY 1

WISCONSIN-SCM, Kenneth A. Ebneter, K9GSC-SEC: W9NGT, PAMs: K9DBR, WA9IZK, W9LVC, W9NRP and WA9QNI, RMs: K9KSA and W9DND.

Net	Freq.	Time	Days	QNI	QTC	Mar.
BWN	3985 kc.	1245Z	Mon-Sat.	432	258	W9NRP
BEN	3985 kc.	1800Z	Daily			W9LVC
WSBN	3985 kc.	2300Z	Daily	1408	413	WA9ONI
WIN	3662 kc.	0115Z	Daily	266	56	W9DND
WSSN	3780 kc.	0030Z	Daily	131	33	K9KSA
WRN	3620 kc.	0130Z	Sun.	12	1	K9GSC
SWRN	50.4 Mc.	0300Z	Mon-Sat.			K9DBR
SW2RN	145.35 Mc.	02 <b>3</b> 0Z	Daily	296	40	WA9IZK

SW2RN 145.35 Mc. 0230Z Daily 296 40 WA91ZK Net certificates went to K9TBY for BWN and to WØ-TUI for BWN and WSBN. New appointments: WA9-QKP and WA9TXN as ORS, Renewed appointments: K9UTQ and W9RXN as CRS, Renewed appointments: K9UTQ and W9RQM as ORS, Renewed appointments, W9RCR as OOS: W9RQM, W9NUK, K9UTO and W9-RAK and W9RQG as OKS, W9RCB, K9NIKC and W9RCR as OOS: W9RQM, W9NT, K9GTC and W9-T as OPS,: W9RQM, W9NT, K9GTC and W9-T as OPS, W9RQM, W9NT, K9GTC had a net result of 32.3 p.p.m. error in the recent FMT. A RPL cer-tificate for Nov, traffic went to WA9GJU, New rigg: W49UCK, an SR-160, K9LBQ is operating from Dugway Proving Grounds, Traffic: (Nor.) WA9UKP 491, W9SSI 325, WA9GJU 310, W9DND 264, W9CXY 250, K9CPM 241, WA9RAK 149, WA0NN 136, K9FHI 109, WA9FKM 63, K9TBY 59, W9RCN 30, WA9VCK 26, K9GSC 21, WA9-UMT 21, W9RCH 19, WA9SVD 19, WA9TXN 19, W9-CBE 16, WA9LRW 14, W9IRZ 12, WA9TUP 10, K9ITO 9, K9GDF 7, WA9LWJ 6, WA9SAB 5, (Oct.) WA9LWJ 3, (Sept.) K9JPS 41.

#### **DAKOTA DIVISION**

MINNESOTA—SCM, Herman R, Kopischke, Jr., WØ-TCK—SEC: WAØMZW, RMs: KØØRK, WAØRRA, PAMs: WAØMMV, WAØHRM, MSN meets daily on 3685 kc, at 0030Z, MJN meets Tue,-Sun, on 3685 kc, at 0100Z. Noon MSPN meets Mon-Sat, at 1805Z on 3945 kc., Sun, and holidays at 1500Z. Evening MSPN meets daily on 3945 kc. at 2315Z. WAØIEF has re-signed the SEC post. Says he was discouraged by lack of EC interest. We want to thank Gary for the effort he placed in this work. WA@MZW will be our new SEC. Let's all show Harley we are interested and back his plans. Congrats to WA@RAN. new RM for MJN. Our thanks to WA@EPX, who managed this net for the past iew years. Appointments renewed: h@ORL as ORS and RM for MJN and to W@PAN for OPS. New officers of the Minneapolis ARC are WA@PVF, pres.; Wa@OOS, WA@CCR, W@ZHN, directors. New officers of the 10,000 Lakes ARC are WA@PTG, pres.; WA@O QMP, seey.; Don Wilson, treas. The club call is WA@-NIY and meetings are held every Mon. and Wed. at 113 p.M. WA@UDB has a new TR-4 on the air. WA@-LPR erected a new tower and 15-meter beam. W@ONG has all antennas back up after a windstorm. W@A1H. W@YCR and W@BE operated W4ETO in the recent WW DX Contest. WA@LVG got a new WC-200 rig on the air. W@PAN assisted the Bloomington CD on Hal-lowecu. WA@PQF is having a bull operating as KG6-AQI in Guam with a Swas 500C and quad. Traffic: (Nov.) K@ZRD 315, WOOMC 192, WA@MIMV 182, W@UTCK 56, WA@DQT 52, WA@DIVF 58, K@ICG 57, W@TCK 56, WA@DQT 52, WA@ONT 28, WAORA 25, W@MIFW 23, WA@DEWE 23, W@AUNT 58, K@ICG 57, W@ATCK 56, WA@DQT 52, WA@ONT 28, WAORA 25, W@MIFW 23, WA@DEWE 29, WA@ONT 28, WAORA 25, W@MIFW 23, WA@DEWE 29, WA@NTF 58, K@ICG 57, W@ATCK 56, WA@DPA 53, W@ATO 28, WAORA 25, W@MIFW 23, WA@DEWE 29, WA@NTF 58, K@ICG 57, W@ATCK 56, WA@DIVT 33, W@ATO 28, WAORA 25, W@MIFW 23, WA@DEWE 29, WA@NTF 58, K@ICG 57, W@ATCK 56, WA@DIVT 30, WA@TO 28, WAORA 25, W@MIFW 23, WA@DEWE 29, WA@ONTF 58, K@ICG 57, W@ATCK 56, WA@DIVT 30, WA@TO 28, WAORA 25, W@MIFW 23, WA@DEWE 29, WA@ONTF 58, K@ICG 57, W@ATCK 56, WA@DIVT 30, WA@NTF 5, WAO-TLN 5, W@FDK 4, WA@HRM 3, WA@EZQ 2, WA@-TLN 5, W@FDK 4, WA@HRM 3, WA@EZQ 2, WA@-TLN 5, W@FDK 4, WA@HRM 14, WA@EVG 6, WA@DIVT 28, WA@DIVT 26, WA@IVA 5, WA@RIVF 5, WA@-TLN 5, W@FDK 4, WA@HRM 14, WA@EVG 6, W@PAN 3, WAOPTER DAWOTA 5, WA@HRM 14, WA@EVG 6, W@PAN 3,

NORTH DAKOTA—SCM, Harold L. Sheets, WØDM —SEC: WAOAYL. OBS: KØSPH. PAM: WØCAQ. RM: WAØRSR, WØECX left for Florida and is work-ing portable from the trailer. WAØRWM and ham family spent the Thanksgiving holiday in Iowa, visit-ing ham friends on the way. WØHBR received a 25-year membership pin from the ARRL, WAØVMA, ex-WA7AZV, is a new Advanced Class Ticket holder in Grand Forks. WAØKRI went into a huddle with KØ-RSA to make tentative plans for the next International Hamfest at the Peace Gardens in July. KØSPH was in Iowa, too, for Thanksgiving using mobile to report back to the RACES Net. WAØTBR took off for a six-week trip. WAØOVT spent his vacation in North-ern Minn. with a good portable signal, KØPYZ made it to Chicago where he is employed by a railroad for the winter. WØWIQ spent some time in the hospital for eye surgery. WØDM has been in the Veterans' Hospital in Spokane on 15 meters. KØMSP/Ø and WAØUKD of the Minot AFB won second high in the nation for Field Day in the one-transmitter and two-operator class. They are doing some 6-meter work and h.f. tele-type work. KØMSP/Ø worked portable while deer-hunting in the Turtle Mountain area. WAØGRX and WAØIND have the YL Weather Net going again and have about 25 check-ins each morning. KØSOE is in Tueson for the winter. Tucson for the winter.

	Sess.	Check-ins	QTC	
N.DAK.PON	13	240	44	WØHUD, KØPZK
YL WX Net	15	309	10	WAGGRX, WAØMND
NDRACES	23	704	173	KØSPH

The ND PON meets on 3915 kc. Sat. 1730 CST. Sun. 0000-1730 CST. KØPZK, WØIKS, WØDXC, WAOKRI, NDRACES meets on 3996.5 kc, Mon, through Fri, 1730 and 1830 CST. NCS 1st session: KØATK, KØTYY, WAOJPT, WØIFF and WAØRWM. 2nd session KØPZK, WØGFE, WØEFJ, KØWYD and WØHJU, YL Weather Net meets Mon, through Fri, on 3995 kc, at 0730 CST. NCSs WAØGRX and WAØMND, Traffic: WAØHJUD 260, WØNMV 152, KØPZK 29, WAØUTS 29, WØEFJ 19, WØBF 18, WAØGRX 13, WAØMND 13, WØDM 12, WØDXC 8, WØWWL 8, WAØTBR 7, WØGFE 6, WAØRWM 6, WAØJPT 5, WAØGZA 4, WAØREW 4, WØCDO 3.

**SOUTH DAKOTA**—SCM, Seward P. Holt, KOTNW —SEC: WAØCPX. RM: WØIPF, PAM: WAØCWW. Net Managers: WØZWL, WØIPF, WAØLLG, WAØ-PNB, WAØOYT. Reports are that a goodly number were successful in passing the Advanced and Extra Class tests at Sioux Falls. A new licensee is WNØWBH, at Sission. Congrats to KØKNR'S XYL on passing the General Class test. The nightly sessions of SDN are proving to be successful. Net reports: WX Net. 403 QNI, NJQ Net, 320 QNI, 226 QTC, 36 informals. Early Session Phone Net. 238 QNI, 19 QTC, 25 informals. Late Session Phone Net. 1285 QNI, 55 QTC. 143 in-formals, SDN for Oct.: 63 QNL QNS 16, 7 QTC; for Nov. 110 QNI, 23 QNS, 17 QTC, Traffic: WAØPNB

702, WØZWL 392, WAØNZA 44, WAØLLG 24, WØDVB 20, WØDJO 12, WAØPBL 5.

#### **DELTA DIVISION**

ARKANSAS—SCM, Robert D. Schaefer, WA5IIS— SEC: WSPBZ, PAM: WA5PPD, RM: W5NND, WA5-KAK is now on the DX bands as GM5AMD and looking for Arkansas contacts. Our section was well represented in the SS Contest. The Razorback Net now meets on 3995 kc. W5HXS and WA5FRU are running a very successful licensing program for the Southeast Arkansas Amateur Radio Club, New hams in Pine Bluff are WA5VIA. WN5VPH, WN5VIM, WA5VIW and WN5-WCH, W5PBZ made CP-20 and WA5HS got DXCC 140. Net reports for Nov.:

Net	Freq.	Time	Tfc.	QNI	Mins.	Mgz.
OZK	3.790	0100Z	38	242	614	W5NND
APN	3.885	1200Z	8	498	1402	WA5QMQ
Teenage	3.995	2330Z	29	335	173	WA5QPI
RN	3.995	0030Z	?	?	?	WA5PPD

Traffic: W5OBD 690, W5NND 212, WA5KEF 51, W5-MYZ 39, WA5QPI 23, WA5OWZ 5, W5PBZ 4, K5VBF 4, WA5TLS 2.

LOUISIANA-SCM, J. Allen Swanson, Jr., W5PM-SEC: W5BUK, RM: K5ANS/5. V.H.F. PAMS: WA5-DXA, W5UQR.

Net	Freq.	Days	Times/GMT	Net Mgr.
LAN	3615	Daily	0030/0400	W5MBC
Delta 75	3905	Sun.	1330	WA5EVU
LAPON	3915	Sun.	1300	W5KC
LaRTTY	3612.5	Sat.	0100	W5GHP
Cen GCHN	3935	Daily	0015	WA5NRG

Yours truly has recovered completely from throat surgery. The OOTC held its semi-annual dinner recently and over 35 attended. The LARC won first place in Class 3A in this year's Field Day activities. W5WALU was awarded the W5PM Annual La. QSO Party Troply for his 1968 win. W5CEZ, who has recovered very successfully from eye surgery, got his ticket renewed. Cart, incidentally, was awarded a Certificate of Merit for his outstanding sorvice to amateur radio in the development of LAN over a period of many years. WA5NDW, WASQQB, K5ARH, WA5OHH and others really came through with loads of activity during the SS Contest. According to the information received here La, hams with call plate licenses should have their annual inspection in April. According to WA5QVN, the Twin City ARC visited a TV station as a meeting activity. W45SWE has built a new s.s.b, rig. K5UAR/5 and WA5WBZ, new to LAN, are pounding the brass. According to K5WOD, WA5FRU divided his time between working toward his pilot's license and ham radio. W5ERR, now retired, spends most of his time chasing DX and v.h.f. propagation! Traffic: W5KRX 137, W5CEZ 136, K5ANS/5 87, W5MIXQ 86, W5EA 10, W5PM 10, WA5QVN 8, WA5OJG 1.

MISSISSIPPI—Acting SCM, Clifton C. Comfort, WA5KEY—The Gulf Coast Side Band Net Semi-Annual Dinner was its usual success. The MSBN has moved its net frequency from 3947.5 to 3900 kc., saue time. 0015Z daily. The most prominent reason for the move was to be in close proximity of the Miss. RACES Net. Nearly all are members of both nets thus giving Mississippi the henefit of using two nets without returing during any "natural" disaster. Congratulations to WA5JWD on being appointed RACES Radio Officer in his county. We welcome WA5WJP, who was WA6-DJY to Mississippi, Kresler AFB ARC Pres, WA8-WNK/5 transferred to Craig AFB, Selma, Ala, WA5-SKI, a housewife and student takes 17 hours of math, is on the Dean's List and still finds time to run 6 skeds a week with Okinawi and Guam for CAFB MEN. New Advanced Class holders: WA5SEG, WA5RXV and WA5UIH. W5BW, vacationing in Fla., is missed in our net activities. Traffic: K4RIN/5 44, WA8WNK/5 35, WA5PTE 18, WA5SIM 5.

TENNESSEE—SCM, Harry A. Phillips, K4RCT-SEC: W4WJH, RM: WA4YEM, PAMs: W4PFP, WA4-YBT, WA4EWW, WA4CRU.

Net	Freq.	Days	Time	Sess.	QNI	QTC	Mgr.
TSSB	3980	TueSun.	0030Z	26	1440	115	WA4YBT
TPN	3980	M-Sat.	1245	30	1143	151	W4PFP
		Sun.	1400				
ETPN	3980	M-F	1140	21	527	54	WA4EWW
TCN	3980	Thurs.	0200	4	34	1	W4TYV
TPO	3980	Mon.	0030	4	101	7	K4RTA
TN	3635	Daily	0100	30	243	99	WA4YEM
TTN	7290	Daily	2200	30	399	76	WA4CRU

TVHF	50.4	Tu-Th-St.	0000	13	173	1	WA4TJ
TVHF	145.2	W&F	0000	8	39	1	WA4TJ

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ETVHF 145.2 W&F 0000 8 39 1 WATJ W4HHK and WA4HGN have been conducting overthe-horizon tests on 2304 Mc. over a distance of 117 unles. WB4JFT may have some WN4s in his family soon. All appointees are requested to send a report in for January as an indication of your continued interest in the appointment. ECs should report the SET activities in your area to SEC W4WJH. 1 would appreciate any comments or suggestions that you would like to have presented at the next Delta Division meeting of Director, Asst. Directors, SCMS and SECs. Those interested in ORS or OPS appointments should contact the RM or PAM. For EC appointments contact the SEC. For other appointments contact the SCM. Endorsements: WA4TJJ as OYS. Appointments: WB4-ANX, K4RUC, WB4JTS as ECs; WA4UAZ, W4KQL 123, W4SQE 10, WA4UAZ 57, WA4NEC 50, WB4WBK 40, W44GLS 33, WB4HYY 32, WA4TWL 22, WA4JTI 21, W4PFP 19, WB4JFT 17, WA4WWW 17, K4LTA 16, W84OFJ 13, W4TYV 13, W44CGK 12, K4RTA 12, W4-OQG 10, K4UMW 8, W4CYL 7, WB4EHK 6, WA4EWW 6, W4WJH 6, WA4YON 4, W4VJ 2.

#### GREAT LAKES DIVISION

**KENTUCKY**—SCM, George S. Wilson, III, W4OYI —SEC: W4VYS. Appointed: W4OTP as PAM (FCATN): WB4CTV as EC. Endorsed: WB4FOT as OBS, WA4OMH as OVS. Traffic totals trend up with occasional exceptions (like Nov.).

Net	Freq.	GMT	QNI	QTC	Mgr.
KRN	3960	1130	318	30	K4KIS
MKPN	3960	1330	503	101	K4TRT
KTN	3960	0000	1001	135	WA4AGH
KYN	3600	00+0300	484	548	W4BAZ
FCATN	50.7	0200	74	43	W40TP

FUATN 30.7 0200 74 43 W40TP Your new PAM for FCATN is ex-K3TVX, recently retired from the Army, The net meets TWFSS. WN4-IWI finally got on 15-and on 15, WN41ZY bagged a legit VQ9 thereby greening up the eyes of some DXers of note, MARS refiles have been boosting the traffic totals and creating lots of good will; one message recipient recently drove clear across Owensboro to personally thank the operator who had delivered him a message from his son. Insist on a proper check count before receipting for a message. If sure helps reduce garbles. Traffic: (Nov.) WA4DYL 737, W4NLO 325, W84BAZ 227. WB4HUS 123, WA4WWT 122, K4HOE 108, W40YT 74, WA4VZZ 67, WA4AGH 63, WB4HQW 63, W4NBZ 57, K4TRT 53, WB4EOR 51, W4UK 50, K4MIAN 45, WB4AIN 40, WA4UAZ/4 34, WB4EQY 30, W4VYS 30, W4CDA 25, K4VDO 24, K4AVX 21, WB4-FDK 20, K4UMIN 20, WA4UHR 19, W4KJP 15, K4OEK 15, K4NYO 9, WA4UHI 2, (Oct.) K4TRT 107, K4DZM 90, W4SZB 13, W4VYS 12.

MICHIGAN-SCM, Ralph P. Thetreau, W8FX-SEC: W8MPD, RMs: W8FWQ, W8RTN, WA8OGR, K8KMQ, W8IXJ, PAMs: K8GOU, K8JED, V.H.F. PAMs: W8CVQ, W8YAN, After 10 years your SCM "retires" as of 4/29/69, so get your petitions in now for your next SCM. None for W8FX, please. Appointments: W8DCT, WA8VXE as ECs, Silent Key: WA8-QFC. Net reports:

Net	Freq.	Time	Days	QNI	QTC	Sess	. Mgr.
ÖMN	3663	2300	Dv	969	570	90	W8FWQ
WSSB	3935	2400	Dy	858	129	28	K8WRJ
PON-DAY	3935	1600	M-Sat.	353	266	24	<b>K8LNE</b>
B/R-MEN	3930	2230	M-Fri.	865	103	25	K8LJS
PON-CW	3645	2400	M-Sat.	89	13	26	VE3DPO
GLETN	3932	0230	Dy	922	76	30	WA80NZ
M6MTN	50.7	2400	M-Sat.	288	33 .	26	WA8LRC

MMMTN 30.7 2400 M-Sat. 288 53 20 WASHC New officers: Motor City RC--WA8DHP, pres.; WA8-IML, vice-pres.; WA8VIF, secy.; K8ZUU, treas. HPLers: W8IXJ, W8IHD. K8CII is well over his heart attack. K7NLG/8 is back from Thailand. K8JJP is back in the Michigan Legislature. W8AMS again is TAWAS Reg. of Deeds, W8CZF sold gear but will be hack on soon. WA8ZPH is doing well in QMN. W8back and the Michigan Legislature. W8AMS again is TAWAS Reg. of Deeds, W8CZF sold gear but will be hack on soon. WA8ZPH is doing well in QMN. W8changing his QTH. Genesse County RC station W8-ACW now has moved to the new Red Cross Building. WA8ZBQ wants a chess partner on 1830 kc. K8VFR lias a new baby girl. WA8UNR has a new 40-ft. tower.-W8KAZ blew the top insulators on his Hy-Tower-with less than a kw? WA8SIQ has a regular sked with WB4JNP, ex-WA8VGA, on 21,300. WA8RQI had his mobile rig stolen a second time, while in the police

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parking lot1 The Central Michigan ARC has its re-peater from a 340-ft, tower in the Lansing area, K8-MFO is now in Vietnam, The CMARC and the Mus-kegon Area ARC have their code and theory classes going, Muskegon ARC also handled election reports from outlying townships, New officers: Saginaw Valley ARA-W8QQK, pres.; K8IIB, vice-pres.; WA8ILU, secv.; K8LNR, treas.; WA8GRI, trustee, Traffic: (Nov.) W8IXJ 525, W81HD 359, K8KMQ 352, K8LNF 250, WA8QC 208, W8DET 168, W80QK 161, W8NOH 150, W8GAI 143, K8ZJU 125, W8JTQ 96, K8GOU 92, WA8ZPH 82, K8JED 66, W8ND 65, W81TN 64, W8FX 53, K8HKM 50, W8A0GR 48, WA8MGM 34, K8MXC 32, WA8ONZ 30, W8YAN 28, W8TBP 25, WA8UPB 24, W81WFS 21, W8FWQ 18, WA8ZAV 18, W8TWF 24, W81WFS 21, W8FWQ 12, WA8LRC 10, WA8KRH 8, K8-YDA 8, W8BW7, WA8MCQ 5, W8WVL 5, W8DEE 4, W8MPD 4, W80WG 3, WA8VBL 3, WA8WCM 2, W4 AAM 1, (Oct.) K8MXC 72, WA8MICQ 70, WA8LAY 4, WA8QCW 1.

OHIO-SCM, Richard A. Egbert, W8ETU-Asst. SCM: Roger Barnett, K8DDG, SEC: W80UU, RM: W8IMI, PAM: K8UBK, V.H.F. PAM: WA8ADU, Oct. traffic net reports:

Net.	QNI	QTC	Sess.	Freq.	Time	Mgr.
OSSBN	1704	977	56	3972.5	1530 & 2345Z	K8UBK
BN	558	492	60	3580	0000 & 0300Z	W8IMI
OSN	161	- 90	28	3580	2325Z	WA8VNU
06Mtr. N	259	50	30	50.6	00002	WA8ADU

DNN 161 90 28 3280 222Z WA8NUL
 DeMit, N 259 50 30 50.6 0000Z WA8NUL
 BPL certificates for Nov, traffic went to W8UPH, W8LT and W80UU; Net certificates (00MtrN) to K8-1DDG, WA8YIN, WA8WJR, WA8IJD, K8CKY, WA8JEH and WA8JSW. Congratulations to new Advanced Class licensees WA8UIH, W8INX, K8AAV and WA8-VKN. Welcome to the newly affiliated Vandalia-Butler MARS Amateur Radio Club, New officers of the Buck-eye Rarchewers are WA8VRK, pres; K8USW, vice-pres; WA8UV, seey.; WA8VRL, pres; K8USW, vice-pres; WA8UV, seey.; WA8VLK, trens. New officers of the Canton chapter of the QCWA are W8ELRR, chmn.; W8NBK, vice-chmn,; W8NAL, seey.-trens. W8DAE reports that the Traffic Hounds Morning Watch has terminated after many years. The Queen City Emergency Net provided communications for the Muscular Dystrophy drive in Cincinnati, StarK Co, EC (8DHJ) is now Civil Defense Radio Officer, K80NA reports the arrival of jr. operator No. 4-a YL W8YGR received his DX pastboard for confirmed country No. 300. Nov. appointments; t&EHE as OO, W&GDQ as OBS, WA8YHN as OVS, W8UX as OPS, W8BBH and WA8-RQQ as ORs, K80NA reports that 13 nembers of the Apricot Net provided communications for the Muscular Dystrophy Drive in Cleveland, W8IO announces the start of an Ohio Slow Net Novice Section daily at 1930 local on 3709 kc. Contact W8IO or W8IUS for details. Seventy messages were received for the Plone Swep-stakes and 61 reporting c.w. activity. Columbus' CARA's new officers are K8EHU, pres; W8EELE, vice-pres; WB8ACF, seey.; WA8UQ1, treas, WA2WEA tells us that W38TNO was Ohio section winner of the N.Y. State QSO. Party. During Nov. I visited the Intercity RC in Mansfield. Brunnerdale and Canton ARCs in Canton, Ohio State University RC in Columbus, Westpark RC in absential. Regardless of the pros and cons. I once again strongly urge representation . . " It would be nice and wastfield strutched activities are doing a good job in getting their members to vote on the several proposals made at the last CCARC meeting. A w

5, K8DHJ 5, K8DMZ 5, W8DYF 5, K8LFI 5, W8AEB 4, WA8AQH 4, WA8COA 4, WA8UPI 4, W8LAG 3, K8-ONQ 3, WA8SQR 3, W8GRT 2, WA8JSW 2, W8WEG 1, WA8SQR 1, W8WUO 1, (Oct.) W8DAE 40, K8SUB 10, K8DMZ 5, W8AEB 3.

#### HUDSON DIVISION

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 EASTERN NEW YORK—SCM, Graham G. Berry, K2SJN—Asst, SCM: Ruth Rice, WA2VYS, SEC: W2-KGC. PAM: WB2VJB, RM: WA2VYS, Section nets: NYS, 3765 kc. nightly at 00002; ESS, 3590 kc. nightly at 23002; NYSPT&EN, 3925 kc. nightly at 23002. On the club circuit: W2WIY spoke at the Nov. meeting of the Westchester County ARA. W2YM was at the Com-munications Club of New Rochelle Dec. meeting. Nov. heard Gerry Morris of NYPel on Microwaves. Note the time and date change (again) for the WARA Technical Net, which is returning to 29.690 Mc. at 01002 Thurs. New equipment will be arriving for K2YCJ, New Roc-chelle Club station. which will scon be active on 80 through 2. Individual activity reports: WB2UHZ, HARC Convention 'Miss Amateur Radio' was tea-nov. 24 as the result of hard work by WB2PYZ. SS reports were received from WA2BHN, WB2YBQ, WB2-DIRW for W38Z, WB2SH, W2DNL and WA2CHW, WB2GXF reports the E.N.Y. Section V.H.F. Trophy goes to W2JKI for first place in the June V.H.F. Con-test, with WB2CWA, WB2YQU and WB2GXF making the award on 12/1. WB2RBG, in Albany, reports work ing W4. W9, W0 and VE4 via sporadic E in Nov. and Ws 1, 2, 3, 8 and 9 and VE8 1, 2 and 3 during the aurora. Look for Asst. SCM WA2VS/Smobile on 75 and 00 Ass.b, If you're interested in contests or D.X. contact WA20D or W2DXL re E.N.Y. organization to foster these two activities, Late congrats to WA2BHN on making the BPL in Oct, with a total count of 510. All stations, please send in traffic reports, etc., to reach the SCM by the seventh of each month for this col-tum. WB2YQU is making progress on a 220-Mc. f.et., converter, Welcome to WN2BISF, now becoming active to hear that W2MXH has joined the Silent Kevx, Net. traf-te for Nov.: ESS 245. Traffic: (Nov.) WA2BHN 348, WE2AF 215, WA2VYS 189, WA2VYT 109, WA2CHW 105, WB2SIH 75, WB2RBG 65, K2SIN 42, W2ANV 30, W2-TPV/2 22, K2YCJ 17, WB2FOA 16, WB2IYO 7, WA2-QEG 3, W2IXH M2 WB2FSE 40, MA2WYT 109, WA2CHW 105, WB2SIH 75, WB2RBG 65, K2SIN 42, W2ANV 30, W2-TPV/2 22, K2Y

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY-SCM, Louis J. Amo-roso, W2ZZ-Asst. SCM: Edward F. Erickson, W2CVW. SEC: WA2ASM.

#### ARPSC Section Net Schedules.

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Net	Freq.	Time	Days	Sess.	ONI	Tfc.	Mar.
NJN	3695 kc.	7:00 г.м.	Dy	30	409	351	WB2DDQ
NJSN	3740 kc.	8:00 p.m.	Dy	20	66	20	WB2RKK
NJEPTN	3929 kc.	6:00 р.м.	M-Sat.	30	621	261	W2PEV
NJPON	3930 kc.	6:00 р.м.	Sun.	4	55	27	WA2TEK
NJAN	50,300 kc.	8:00 p.m.	M-F	21	314	61	WA2KFZ
PVETN	145,710 kc.	7:30 р.м.	Dy	30	337	289	K2KDQ
ECTN	146,700 kc.	9:00 р.м.	Dy	30	338	185	WA2TBS

PVETN 145.710 kc. 7:30 P.M. Dy 30 337 298 K25DQ ECTN 145.700 kc. 9:00 P.M. Dy 30 338 185 WA2TBS RMs: WB2DDQ and WB2RKK. PAMs: W2PEY, K2-KDQ, WA2KZF, WA2TBS and WA2TEK. New ap-pointment: WB2WNZ as OPS. Endorsements: WA2-KZF as PAM and OVS. OO reports: W2TP1 28, W2BVE 23, W2JDH 13. New officers of the West Morris ARC are WB2YFX, pres; WA2EUX, vice-pres. Now that the cull letter license plates are on the road, may I suggest you send Assemblyman W2VJH, who made it all possible, a "thank you" note. WA2CUR put his quad up. WB2DYB has a new Swan 400. WA2TAF re-ports his RTTY gear is in operation. W2CVW plans to use a Varactor for a tripler to 432 Mc. W2JDH and WA2CGF sent in reports for the Nov, FMT. W.32CRF is planning RTTY. School work has both WB2AMV and WB2BKC QRL. W2NVA lost his 2- and 10-meter beam during the Nov, storm. WA2DMF is putting the HW-100 together. WB2DGL has a dish for a 1206-MC. Moonbource try. WN2DPV has 4 countries confirmed toward WAC. W2JDH has put up homebrew starked Big Wheels for 144 Mc. WA2DGE is waiting for the vanced Class license and is now in the A-1 Operators Club. WB2VFX pass-d the General and has a 150-watt rig ready. WN11ZT/2. WN2GGN and WN2EGR are now General Class. WE2FNG is a new General in South Orange and is chasing DX with a HT-46 and a two-element beam. WA2EUX received his Advanced Class license. WB2FEH and WB2SOR passed the Ad-vanced Class exam, WA2EUX is using a new home-herw 120-watt c.w. rig, WB2FYC reports having TYI problems. WA2AMM received first-place certificates for both the Washington and Georgia QSO Parties. W2 BSC's group added the R4R to the setup. WB2DRJ received his WAC phone, WA2CKS is planning for an

s.s.b. transceiver after receiving his Advanced Class license. WB2DRJ and W2ZZ plan to flip a coin to deride who is in what week end of the ARRL DX Contest. Traffic: (Nov.) WA2IGQ 626, WB2RKK 495, K2-DDEL/2 309, WB2DDQ 268, K2KDQ 267, WA2TBS 246, WB2NSY 132, WB2WNZ 108, WB2AMV 88, WA2CCF 83, WA2CCF 78, WA2ACF 48, WB2WX 108, WB2AMV 88, WA2CF 78, WA2ACJ 68, WB2DXK 62, WB2ZSH 61, WA2ACF 48, W2ZZ 37, WB2TUL 36, W2CVW 33, W2-PEV 28, WA2KZF 22, WA2ICT 21, WA2NJB 20, K2-DEL 19, K2ZFI 17, WB2DRV 9, W2EWZ 9, W2DH 9, WA2QE 7, WA2RFEH 8, W2OV 8, WA2BAN 7, WB2-RCS 7, WA2RFEH 8, W2OV 8, WA2BAN 7, W2TFM 8, WB2BKC 5, K2OPBP 5, WB2DRJ 4, WN2GKI 4, W2-ABL 2, K2OQJ 2, Oct.) W2SW 43, WA2FEH 1, (Sept.) WB2JWB 28.

#### MIDWEST DIVISION

**IOWA**—SCM, Wayne L. Johnson, KOMHX—SEC: KOLVB, PAM: WOPZO, RM: WOLGG, OBSs: WO-LCX, WOJAQ, WAØMIT, Officers of the recently-chartgred club at Goldfield are WOMOW, press: WNO-BCX, WOJAQ, WAOMIL, OMER'S of the recombe-chartered club at Goldfield are WOMOW press: WNO-WDY, vice-press.; WAQTJD, seey,-treas, Classes are held twice, weakly for prospective hams. New licensress are WNOUZH, WNOVKF, WNOVTJ and WNOWDY. WAQRXQ is attending lowa State and WAORXIR is at Luther College. KOGEY is building a 44-element Yagi for 432 Mc, KØUKN was high scorer in the Phone Sweepstakes with all 75 sections, WAOSDC got all sections in both c.w. and phone, KOAZJ also worked 'em all on c.w. Another good scorer on both modes was KOYVU, WØJAQ reports KORZO-WØ-ZMU-HCIRT suffered severe burns at HCJB, Quito, Ecuador, but was improving at last report. WAOOTE is looking for the last confirmation to complete 40 zones, KØAZJ, WØDIT and KØTDO participated in the Nov, FMT, Dave averaged 4.4. National Conven-tion chairman is WØUDO. Lee reports registrations are coming in already. Watch for full details in an early issue of QST. WØDDW has a new home-brew keyer. Bill has made and sent etched circuit boards to several friends. The Fertilizer Net Board members enjoyed a pre-holiday dinner meeting with KØBND.

Net	Freq.	Dar	,	GMT	ONI	OTC	Mar.
lowa 75	3970	M-Sat.		1830	1112	142	WØPZO
Iowa SSB	3970	M-Sat.		2359			WØYLS
Iowa 160	1815	Daily		0100	200	9	KØTDO
TLCN	3560	Daily		0030	126	121	KØAZJ
PON	3915	<u>w</u> & F		0030	89	30	WAØDYV
PON C.W.	3697	Tue.	Sat.	0030	37	4	WAUDYV
Traffic: WS	JLCX	913, 1	WØL	GG 96.	WØI	AUC	85, WAØ-
DYV 77, W	7AØJI	JT 56.	KØR	CAQ 37	. ко	LD0	30. WAO-
MIT 22. W	VØJP.	15, K	ØTF	T 12.	WAØI	DAG	11, WAØ-
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ATW 8, KØJGI 8, WAØDTE 6, WAØEFN 4. KANSAS-SCM, Robert M, Summers, KØEXF-SEC: KØEMB, PAM: KØJMF, RM: WAØJFV, V.H.F. PAMs: WAØCCW and WAØLSH. The hams of Kansas extend their deenest sympathy to the families of KØMEJ and WOVRZ, Silent Keys, New appointees are kØLHE as OU and WØGU as EC Zone 9. A late report for Oct, from KØEMB showed Zones 7, 13 and 15 low-hand AREC nets combined for a total QNI of 136 and QTC 6, Kans. Wx. Net reports QNI 685 and QTC 175. The amateur radio operators of Hiawatha provided that town with communications for its 5th Annual Halloween Parade Oct. 31. Also a message center was set up to receive messages as a public relations point for amateur radio. Sweepstakes messages were received from the following: C.w.-KØPFV, KØFPC, WØQQQ, WNOTAS, WØCHJ, WØINH's-1468 contacts in 72 sections for a total of 67,392 points.) Phone-WOINH, WØLXA, KØPFZ, WAØVDO, WØQQQ, WAØTHQ and KØBXF, (High-est phone total by WØLXA-479 contacts in 70 sections for a total of 67,060 points.) Zones 7, 9, 10, 13. 14 and 15 are doing fine jobs on their low-band AREC nets with QNI 284, QTC 7 in 30 sessions. As of Dee. 1 the AREC membership stands at 480 members registered. Why not drop KØEMB or KØBXF a card asking for details. Net reports for Nov. (first figure QNI. second QTC): QIS-137/20: KS PI Net 64/5: KS WX Net 701/119; KSBN 784/205: KPN 225/26; KSPON 971/922; KS EC Net 43/0; HBN 552/70. WAØDBHG, net mgr. of HBN is reported recovering after a heart attack. Late report (Oct.): KPON 974/1164. V.H.F. nets reported QNI 120, QTC 22 with Zone 7 averaging 11. 8 QNI per session. Traffic: WØINH 20. WOZNA 182, KØHGI 167. WAØLDE 158, WØPSN 153, WAOUBB 151, WAØNFP 125, WØQQQ 104, KØJMF 96, KØBXF 85, WØCIE 27, KØGZP 26, KØNRI 25, WØDKS 18, WAOUEP 18, KØUVH 18, WAØCCW 17, WØHI 16, **94** 

WOICV 16, WOFII 15, WAOKPE 15, WAOJOG 14, WAOSHG 11, WAOTHQ 10, WOFDJ 6, WØSPF 5, WOCIJ 1, WOLYC 1.

WØCHJ I, WØLYC I. MISSOURI-SCM, Alfred E, Schwaneke, WØGS-SEC: WØBUL, WAOHTN received ORS appointment. WØKIK and WØOUD renewed ORS appointments. New Others of the St. Louis ARC (ŁØLIR) are WAOCNS, pres.; WAØGGE, vice-pres.; WAØKMF, secv.; KØHUO, treas. New othicers of the N.E. Mo. ARC, Kirksville, are KØEMF, pres.; WAØELM, vice-pres.; WØBV, secv.-treas.; WØYRL, act. mgr. Net control stations for MøSSB Net are KØBDT. WAØ-EMS, KØHVE, KØONK, KØRPH, WØRTO and KØVYH, KØLGZ is now living in Md. with the call W3IWP. WØKCG was winner of the 1968 N.Y. QSO Party. WAØBJR in Springfield is a new regular on MØN, and is recovering from a broken leg. WAØKMPH and WØTDR passed the Extra Class examination. WØEEE displayed the new operating console on cam-pus during University Dav at UMR and originated tratile tor the visitors. The PHD Net on 50.55 each Mon, night has had 135 individual stations in 4 states report in. In the last 10 months they have had 963 wheek-ins and, at present, PHD is the largest 6-meter net in the K.C. area. PHD ARC will be starting code and theory classes again at the first of the year. SS messages were received by the SCNI from WØBV and WNØUVM. An OVS report was received from WAØ-ITU. Net/reports for Nov.: Net Freq. Time Dava Seas. QNS T/c. Mgr.

Net	Freg.	Time	Days	Sess.	QNS	T∫c.	Mar.
MEN	3885	$2330\mathbf{Z}$	M-W-F	13	Ì43	5	WØBUL
MoSSB	3963	2400Z	M-Sat.	26	814	848	WØRTO
MNN	7063	1900Z	M-Sat.	25	64	12	WØOUD
SMN	3585	2200Z	Sun.	4	7	5	WOOUD
MoPON	3930	2100Z	M-F	25	79	34	WØHVJ
PHD	50.45	0130Z	Tue. (GMT)	4	87	8	WAØKUH
MON	3585	0100Z	Daily			-	KØYBD
Traffic:	(No	7.) KØ	ONK 2203.	WAØ	HTN	228.	WØOUD
125, 1	VÁØQ	XG 1	23, KØRI	PH 12	1. V	7AØI	BJR 102,
KØAE	M 99	, KØV	VH 59, V	VAØEN	IS 4	0, 'W	ØBV 37.
WORT	O 34,	WØE	EE 25. W	AØKU	H 21,	Ŵ	BUL 19,
KØORJ	B 18,	WØBV	L 7. (Oct.	) WAØ	EMS	66.	

NOORB 18, WOBVL 7, (Oct.) WAØEMS 66. NEBRASKA-SCM, V.A. Cashon, KØOAL-SEC: KØODF. Monthly net reports for Nov.: Nebr. Storm Net. WAØLOY, 0030Z session, QNI 1222, QTC 156; 0130Z session, QNI 785, QTC 56. Nebr. Emergency Phone Net. WAØGHZ, QNI 1020, QTC 365. Nebr. Morning Phone Net. WAØJUF, QNI 1130, QTC 68. West Nebr. Phone Net. WØNIK, QNI 573, QTC 19. AREC Phone Net. WØNIK, QNI 573, QTC 19. AREC Phone Net. WØNIK, QNI 573, QTC 19. AREC Phone Net. WØNIK, QNI 60. AREC C.W. Net. WAØEEL, QNI 11. Nebr. C.W. Net (NEB), WAØHWR. 169, QTC 43. 160-After Phone Net. WAØCBJ, QNI 169, QTC 43. 160-After Phone Net. WAØLD 160, WAØLD 440. WAØLD 160, WAØLD 440. WAØLD 440. WAØLD 161, WAØLD 440. WAØLD 17. WØACK 14. WAØLD 11, KØDDF 13, WAØCHC 13, WØOFBY 6, WAØLD 16, WAØPIN 7, KØSDF 3, WØFFY 22, WAØBK 22, WAØLK 12, KØDDFN 6, WAØLSFA 3, WAØ-BSX 2, WAØIKI 1, (Oct.) WAØFIN 8, WAØLFA 3, WAØ-BSX 2, WAØIKI 1, (Oct.) WAØCHJ 22. WAØNYM 1, (Oct.) WAØLD 10, WAØPIN 20, WAØYFR 2, WAØNYM 1, (Oct.) WAØDYJ 22.

#### **NEW ENGLAND DIVISION**

CONNECTICUT-SCM, John McNassor, WIGVT-SEC: WIPRT. RM: WA1HSN. PAM: WIYBH. V.H.F. PAM: KISXF. Net reports for Nov.:

<i>Net</i> CN	Freq. 3640	Day <b>s</b> Daily	Time 1845	Sess. 30	QNI 343	0TC 420
CPN	3880	M-S 1800 Sun.	1000	30	558	369
VHF 2	145.98	M-S	2200	21	111	106
VHF 6	50.6	M-S	2100	21	207	85

High QNI: CN-WA1HLP, WA1GGN and WA1HSN. CPN-W1GVT and K1SXF 30, WA1FXS 25, WA1HEW, W1NBP and W1YBH 24, K1YGS 23, WA1HOL 22, W1LUH/WA1JYK and W1YU 18, K1TGX/1 16, SEC W1PRT, vacationing with K11IF sends a fond Aloha from K116-Land to all ECs and urges your continued support. The Talcott Mt. U.H.F. Society welcomes new members with an interest in u.h.f. operation. Contact WHDO for more information. Southington new members with an interest in u.h.f. operation. Contact W1HDQ for more information. Southington

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Contact your nearest Varian/Eimac distributor or ask Information Operator for Varian Electron Tube and Device Group. ARA's new officers are WIAGJ, pres.; WIGVZ, vice-pres.; WIEFW, sccy.; WIIOB, trens. The Candlewood Newsletter, One IAN Bulletin and the CN Nutmey Nct News contain a wealth of information. Clubs can benefit from a monthly newsletter. How about your dub? The Third Annual One Land QSO Party will be held Apr. 26 and 27. Contact KIVGM for complete information. Net activity indicates the need for more outlets in all parts of the state. Please urge your club to provide outlets for your area daily. 10, 15 and 20 meters offer good possibilities for anateurs in the armed forces to work stateside. Please make it a point to look for them. Congratulations to: WAIFNJ on Extra Class; WAIGGN and WAIHOL on Nov. BPL; and WIEBO, WIQV and WIYU on FMT participation. The 2- and 6-meter nets are ideal for late evening traffic. Please join in the fun! Traffic: (Nov.) WIEFW 486, WAIGGN 310, WAIHSN 297, WAIHEW 259, WIYU 253, KISXF 214, WIAW 178, WAIHOL 168, WIARR 139, WIGVT 137. WAIFNJ 54, WIYBH 50, WIBDI 48, WAIHEK 45, WAIGIX 38, WAIHEG 33, WAIFXS 23, WIQV 14, WICTI 13, WAIDJG 10, KIYGS 9, WIODH 7, WIBNB 6, WICUH 6, KIUDD 5, WAIJCX 4, W80CWE/1 3, WAIGEK 2, KITKS 2. (Oct.) WAIFNJ 166. 166

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EASTERN MASSACHUSETTS—SCM, Frank L. Baker, Jr., WIALP—With regrets we report the following Silent Keys: Wis SGL, MCR, UQC, KIFYI and ex-1PX, an old friend of WINF, Ex-WIQOI, here on a visit, landed in the hospital. Hend on 75: Wis NA, SE, DJ, KIPBF, WIHA and WAICEO have HW-1Fs and WIALP will have his on soon. WIQFO is in Navy MARS on 2. KIAVS is becoming active again. WAI-KEY, in Hoston, is K3QNT, KILZV is on 160. WAIJUY, Lowell Tech. ARC, is on the air. The Whitman ARC had an auction. WIIAU is chief engr. WOKW and a newsman. WNIIAY is on 80 c.w. KIIBR is back from Florida. WIAEC has a new beam for 6. WINF helped out in the Snata Parade for the c.d. KJIRE/1 has a new integrated circuit keyer and will be on with an HW-16. WAITTR/1 has automatic andemostration of Computer Graphics by KIPRB in hoston. WIOJM, WIPEX, WAIEYY and KIPNB in a demonstration of Computer Graphics by KIPRB in hoston. WIOJM, WIPEX, WAIEYY and KIPNB made the BPL. KIPNB has a new tower for the 80 antenna. WAIHIK has his Advanced Class license, WINX is outemet s.s.b. WIVAH has a two-element Tribander bear. Wis AYG and BGW took part in the Nov. FMT. The 6-Meter Cross Band Net had 16 sessions, 144 QNIs, 15 traffic. SEC WIAOG received reports from Wis AYG and BGW took part in the Nov. FMT. The 6-Meter Cross Band Net had 16 sessions, 144 QNIs, 15 traffic. SEC WIAOG received reports from Wis AYG and BGW took part in the Nov. FMT, The 6-Meter Cross Band Net had 16 sessions, 144 QNIs, 15 traffic. SEC WIAOG received reports from Wis AYG and BGW took part in the Nov. FMT, The 6-Meter Cross Band Net had 16 sessions, 144 QNIs, 15 traffic. SEC WIAOG received reports from Wis AYG and BGW. SA oppointments endorsed: WIEUJ nave a WAIDPX as OVS. MUBH as the Control of Norkey AYGON in Connecticut on 220 Mc. WAIJHZ now is General Class. Licenz, the Control of Nodel provide workey ARC had an auction. WIAXW workey AYDON in Connecticut on 220 Mc. WAIJHZ now is the for MAIDPX as OVS. MUBH as at the Massasoit ARA. WIEUJ has a the Massasoit ARA. WIEUJ ha

WAIGXC 28, KILCQ 23. MAINE—SCM. Herbert A. Davis, KIDYG—SEC: KICLF, RM: WIBJG, PAM: WAIFLG, Traffic nets:

The Sea Gull Net meets Mon. through Sat. at 1700 on 3940 kc. Pine Tree Net meets daily on 3596-kc. c.w. at 1900. A hearty welcome to KGCAG/1, at Brunswick, who is doing a nice job on the PTN and the IRN. WAIJNC did a fine public service job for people in 4-Land. He is with the Air Force at Loring. WAIFQW has an NW-100 on the air and likes it real well. Traffic: WIBJG 356, WINND 89, WAIFLG 60, KGCAG/1 14 Traffic: W1 K6CAG/1 14

K6CAG/1 14. **NEW HAMPSHIRE**—SCM, Robert C. Mitchell, W1-SWX/K1DSA—SEC: K1QES, KM: K1BCS, PAM: K1-APQ, Endorsements: K1RSC as EC, W1ALE and K1PSR as OVSs; W1EVN and W1MHX as ORSs; W1AIJ as ORS and OPS. Net reports: NHAREC 135/23, AIVAREC 116/5, GSPN 782/50 and the BCAREC 40/2. W1YMJ and W1SWX did excellent in the BCAREC 40/2. W1YMJ and W1SWX did excellent in the BCAREC 40/2. W1YMJ and W1SWX did excellent in the recent Frequency Measuring Test, WAIIH took first place for N.H., in the Md.-D.C. QSO Party. W1WMK has finished his new SB-101 and SB-200. He is now busy passing out rare N.H. QSOs and QSLs. Scems that most of the N.H., gang is stuck on 75 and don't know other hands exist. W1BYS/KITXC has a new KWS-1. Heard on 80 c.w. were W1IIB and W11QD. Activity in the recent SS contest was shown by WA11TMI, WA11HH and W1SWX. The Sept. V.H.F. SS results show W1JJO, WA1JTK, W1AZK, W1ALE, W1MAS, K1FTG, WA11DC and W1HPM in that order at the finish line. W1JY (ex-K1WKP) has a new Christmas tree with 2, 6 and tri-bander beams. New officers of the Manchester Radio Club are K1HRG, pres.; K1ACX, vice-pres.; WA1DEL pec, secy.; WA1HGT, corr. secy. The DXCC list still shows W1FZ as the top DXcr in N.H. K1RSC is heard often on 75 meters, Traffic: (Nov.) WA11IH 171, K1PQV 37, W1MHX 9, K1QES 5, W1SWX 4, K1TXC 4. (Oct.) W1MUX 21, K1QES 9.

RHODE ISLAND—SCM, John E. Johnson, KIAAV— SEC: KILII, RM: WIBTV, PAM: WITXL, V.H.F. PAM: KITPK, RISPN report: 30 sessions, 474 QNI, 94 traffic, The Fidelity Amateur Radio Club, KINQG, 95 holding an informal net using "Call CQ FARC" on 3710 kc. at 2030 EST Mon. Code speed will be approx. 10 w.p.m. The WIAQ Club held its Thanksgiving Dance with many hams attending. Chairman KILII reported that the evening was a success. WAIICQ and his com-mittee also worked on the program. WIFNH has started instruction on basic radio during the club meeting on Fri. evenings. WIWAC has installed electric baseboard heat in a portion of the elub room. WAICVF visited the club on his school vacation. WAIIIM has com-pleted most of the renovations to the club's exterior and during the winter will be completing the interior work. The NCRC Club of Newport will have New England Director WIQV as guest at a future meeting. The club has a very active net and offers a certificate for contacting club members. Traffic: WITXL 313, WIBTV 48, KIVYC 39, KITPK 17.

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Net.	Freq.	Time	Days	QNI	QTC	Net Mgr.
Gr. Mt.	3855	2230Z	M-S			WIVMC
Vt. Fone	3855	1430Z	Sun.	99	1	WAIEDI
VTNH	3685	2330Z	M-F	61	61	KIUZG
VTCD	399016	1500Z	Sun.	40	8	W1AD
Carrier	3865	1400Z	M-F	220	7	WIKKD
VTSB	3909	2230Z	M-S	712	89	KL7DVP/I
		1330Z	Sun.			

We urge you to be active during the Vt. QSO Party Feb. 8-9. Mark your calendar and let the world know there are some Vt. hams. Full details outlined in Jan. QST. Give it a try and I guarantee you will have fun. KIRMG is geared on 2-meter f.m. and many others are in process. KIWSI is back from the hospital, also WIKKM. Traffic: (Nov.) KIBQB 336, KIMPN 24, W1-FRT 22, WIMRW 4, (Oct.) K1UZG 8.

WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS—SCM. Norman P. Forest. WISTR—RM WIDVW reports attendance picked up in Nov. with better coverage in the Berkshire and Worcester areas. Missed 100% IRN coverage hy one one session, Stations in order of attendance were WIDVW, WIZPB, KIWZY, WIBVR, WISTR, WIZEL, WIHHI, WIKK, WAIJHZ, KISSH, WIYK, WAIDNB, WAITL, WIEOB, WAIABW, WAIISJ, WIHRC. WIEOB spent a week at a rare DX spot as TJØCC on Curneno, near Venezuela, He and his group racked up over 6300 QSOs. The QSL Bureau continues to keep a busy pace with KIPMK managing excellently. WIZPB is working on a new RTTY demodulator and is having nice QSOs with the present one-lunger. KIDPP has a new homebrew fold-over tower for use in his antenna experiments, KIMXA has a Model 26 RTTY going sampling the go-ings of the TTY crowd, KIKVI is chasing OH stations while locking confirmation. KIJHC has his WAC award, WIDNT indicated he reads this column while having

One of a series of brief discussions by Electro-Voice engineers



Testing of microphones ordinarily takes two distinct forms: laboratory tests and field tests. The former is busically objective in nature and results in performance specifications, while the latter provides a subjective evaluation of the microphone under actual use conditions. Both forms of testing are valuable, but on occasion the field results do not seem to fully support the laboratory tests.

The difference, of course, lies in the "idealized" conditions that consistently form the basis for laboratory tests. No such uniformity exists in the field, yet the need for correlation between specifications and actual performance is increasingly felt.

In order to more thoroughly explore the causes for deviation from laboratory response. Electro-Voice has undergone a series of tests of varying types of microphones using its large, anechoic chamber as a research tool. To date the investigation has concentrated on effective polar response, effects of distance on frequency response, and the results of multiple in-phase and outof-phase microphone pick-ups. While the studies have just begun, causes of several common problems have

Polar response was investigated by rotating the microphone in the ancchoic chamber, while speaking at constant volume. This test pointed up the necessity for uniform response off-axis as well as on-axis. With microphones such as the Model RE15, level chanaed with rotation of the microphone, but voice quality thence frequency response) remained constant. However with directional microphones that did not offer uniform offaxis response, sound quality quickly became unacceptable. Using such a microphone to reduce unwanted pickup to reasonable levels can alter the tonal character of the unwanted sound, as well as distort the apparent acoustical characteristics of the studio or hall.

It was also noted that many omni-directional microphones exhibited directional characteristics that were quite audialle at an angle as small as 80° off axis. This proved to result from interference of the microphone case, and was directly related to increasing case diameter.

In another series of tests, the effect of distance on frequency response and articulation was investigated. A male voice was recorded at distances from 2' to 25' in the unechoic chamber. Levels were then equalized, and tonal quality and articulation was compared. No significant difference could be noted as distance increased. It is evident that the "loss" of highs with distance is not due to reduction in actual intensity. Rather the changing phase relationships determined by environment acousties has an increasing effect with rising frequency. This is interpreted subjectively as a loss of intensity.

Further tests of this type will be discussed in future columns, and suggestions for other areas of investigation are welcome.

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W1CBX, Frank Carpenter, Esmond, R. I.
WAHEM, Joseph F. Rezendes, Fairhaven, Mass.
W1KIS, Ronald Kiernan, Shelton, Connecticut.
W1PGX, Deane C. Gould, Waterbury, Connecticut.
W2AGQ, Archie Coe Davis, Angola, N. Y.
K2BSB, Ronald Spencer, North Troy, N. Y.
W2EXM, Fred Parsons, New York, N. Y.
K2ITW, Dolphin Tanzer, Sr., New York, N. Y.
W2AXIXH, Thomas Rov Silvernail, Alillerton, N. Y.
WA2QQZ, Kenneth Stamler, Plainview, N. Y.
K2ZEAH, Grover McMillen, Massapequa Park, N. Y.

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W6108, Ralph D. Armstrong, Ojai, Calif.
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KII6CUP, Harris F. Tarumoto, Honolulu, Hawaii. DL6NI, Felix Cremers, Krefeld, West Germany. YE6VH, Harry Higa, Alberta, Canada.

VE7APC, John MacDonald, West Vancouver, Canada.

an eyeball with the SCM, Two new calls in Southwick are WN1JUK and WN1JYB. WAIIUI is looking for someone interested in 2300 Mc. The HCRAI had a very fine meeting with the VIP's WIQV, WILVQ, WIHDQ, WINJM and yours truly at ARRL night. The gang found this group most informative and eujoyable to listen to. KIMEB is back in Fitchburg after a tour of duty with the Navy. Traffic: WI2PB 105, WIDVW 93, WIEOB 88, WIBVR 56, KIWZY 49, WIIHJ 40, WISTR 40, WIC 19, WIVPH 17, WAIABW 3.

#### NORTHWESTERN DIVISION

ALASKA-SCM, Albert F. Weber, KL7AEQ-KL7-EWH has finally gotten an antenna up that does work. Her new ZL seems to be solid down to VK-Land. Now it seems that instead of antennas at minus 40 F

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its Aurora alarms around Fairbanks way. The instiga-tor of this bit of activity is KL7EVO. Code practice sessions are running on 3735 kc. M-W-F at 7 P.M. AST. KL7FJW has gotten her Advanced Class license and is now going for the Exta. KL7FLS is mighty proud of her latest memento of the Smith-Nash Mt. McKinley Expedition. She received a copy of the official log, in which she was listed as their "official contact with the states." and an autographed copy of a photo of the expedition leaders on the summit. Just saw a copy of the "Alaska Lassics" certificate. It's mighty impressive and we are looking forward to earning one in the near future. Check with any of the gals for information. KL7FQQ is doing the paperwork on these. Traffic: KL7CAH 164, KL7FLS 2, KL7FON 2.

**IDAHO**—SCM, Donald A. Crisp, W7ZNN—SEC: K7-THX. The FARM Net convenes week days on 3935 kc, at 0200 GMT. The Idaho C.D. Net convenes week days at 1515 GMT on 3991 kc, and Sun. on 1979 kc, at 0500 GMT. K7CBW caught his arm in his crank-up tower and required medical treatment. The Eagle Rock Club had an open house that was well attended by the gen-eral public, including the Mayor of Idaho Falls. W7-DZH has installed a new dipole with tuned feeders and tuner. Endorsements: WA7BDD as ORS. K7HX as SEC, WATEWV as OBS. The Lewiston Clarkston Club had a Christinas Party. W7ZNN has a new HW-100. K7KRO has a new 2500-wait generator for emergency power. FARM Net report: 21 sessions. 853 check-ins, 109 trafic handled. Traffic: WA7BD 86, W7GHT 54, WA7ETO 47. W7AXL 38, W7ZNN 30, W7GGV 26, K7-CSL 12, W7IY 8.

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Ine Buings group is moving to 146.76 for an FM. W7LR, W7NPV/W7OOY and W7OIQ are on the same frequency in the Bozeman urea, W7EXU is on with a new Swan 500C. Congratulations to W7PGY and W7-QLE on their election as Director and Vice-Director, respectively, New officers of the Gallatin Amateur Ra-dio Club are WA7DVU, pres.; W7OIQ, vice-pres.; WN7JXT, secy-treas.; WA7HDD, act. mgr.; WA6-ATY/7, EC, W7GDM continues as the trustee for W7ED. Congratulations to our SEC and all of the ECs for a first-place listing in our state ARPSC activities in Class III. The 1969 officers of the Missoula Hellgate RC are WA7IIQ, pres.; W7MAK, vice-pres.; W7IBH, secy-treas. If you have news for its great club paper write P.O. Box 599, Missoula, WA7UGG are WA7IXM are new calls in the Missoula area. We are considering changing the time of the Montana Section Net. If you have a time to suggest, check with your SCM or SEC. The Butte Amateur Radio Club has moved into a new room in the courthouse. Traffic: (Nov.) K7EGJ 33, K7PWY 21, WA7IZR 15, W7FIS 3, W7LBK 3. (Oct.) W7FIS 1.

**OREGON**—SCM, Dale T. Justice, K7WWR/WA7-KTV-RM: W7ZFH, PAM: K7RQZ. Section net re-ports: W7ZFH reports for the OSN for Nov.: Sessions 22: check-ins 149, high 11, traffic 60, high 15. WA7AHW reports for the AREC Net: Sessions 30, maximum number of counties 23, check-ins 954, traffic 33, con-tacts 109. QSTs 4. K7IFG reports for the BSN: Ses-sions 60, traffic 223, contacts 299, check-ins 1431. Net schedules:

Net	Freq.	Time	Days	Mgr.
BSN	3875 kc.	2000/0030Z	Daily	K7IFG
0SN -	358 <b>5</b> kc.	0300Z	TueSat.	W7ZFH
AREC	3875 kc.	0300Z	Daily	WA7AHW

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K7OUF spent a week in hed in Nov. and still handled a number of messages. K7YEV passed the Extra Chass exam. WA7DWK has his Advanced Class ticket. W7-CPV and W7CMK are in So. Cal. for the winter. WA7-CRL is going into the Coast Guard. K7IWD is setting up some new gear to better his traffic-handling capa-bilities. K7DVK has been moving and setting up his gear at the new QTH. WA7FTN made 474 telephone relays to all states *three* times. WA7GFP reports some 6-meter skip Nov. 28, New appointment: W7LXR as OPS, Russ works 40 meters most of the time with his three-element wire quad. Traffic: (Nov.) K7RQZ 620, K7IFG 172, K7OUF 126, K7NTS 58, WA7HKV 56, W7-ZFH 52, WA7HJV 40, W7WHY 40, K7WWR 28, K7KPT 26, WA7ICD 22, W7BNS 21, W7DEM 11, WA7KIU 8,



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NARY 39.0 kc. Daily 0302 QNI 465 QIC 320 Sessions 30 WARYS 3970 kc. Daily 04002 QNI 267 QTC 280 Sessions 30 If you have not sent your report on the Jan. SET get it in ASAP. The privileze of license-plate identification is based on public service. All annateurs should support our ARPSC, which includes the AREC, NTS and RACES, all of which are designed for service to the public. Register with your local EC or check in on your section NTS net. New appointment: WTWPR as OO. W7PI was elected new WSN Mgr. relieving W7ZIW, who did a commendable job the past year. WA7HKR was elected NTN mgr. for 1069 after filling out a 1068 un-expired term. New officers of the BEARS are WA7KNI, press.; WA7HKD, vice-pres.; KTANP, seev.; W7EWY, trans. K7EXG retired as editor of the BEARS Ham'a Equation. New officers of the Apple City Radio Club are WA7DIH, pres.; W7WCV, vice-pres.; K7SNG, seev.; K7UDG, EC; K7RNQ and K7OGW, trustees. OVS K7AIWC reports numerous stations in the Seattle are are conducting earth current measurements. Current of-forers of the U. of W. ARC are K7WYV, pres.; WA7-AVL, vice-pres.; WA6UCC, sery.; WN7IGO, publicity. The Tacoma Club has an FB roster of committee chairmen for the Washington State Hamfest in July. W7PUL reports the local AREC Net meets Tue. at 7 F.M. on 29.6 Mc. in the Spokane area. Newly-ap-pointed OBS for the Seattle area v.h.f. nets is WB6-YD07. W7GVC reports from the Walla Walla Club on an AREC drill involving the hospital and ambulances, together with the police, fire and sheriff's departments, using 29.6 Mc. ORS W7JEY is back with a repaired re-wA7CKZ and WA7CHN. Sr. operator of K7GOM, who is first ORS W7JEY is back with a repaired re-W47KXZ and WA7CHN. Sr. operator of K7GOM, who is first ORS write Y is back with a repaired re-W47KXZ and WA7CHN. Sr. operator of K7GOM, who is first ORS report, Traffic: (Nov.) WTBA 200. K7-CTP 183. WA7EYN 174. W7KZ 163. W7AYT 143. W7RPQ 141. WA7BM 110. WA7DZI 70. WA7EXD 25. W7FT 25. W7RTB 50. W7IEU 48. K7IXO 42. W7GVC 41. W7-RW 40. W47ACQ 35. W7FPE 35.

#### PACIFIC DIVISION

HAWAII—SCM. Lee R. Wiral, KH6BZF—SEC: KH6GHZ. PAM: W4UAF/KH6, RM: KH6AD, V.H.F. PAM: KH6EEM. QSL Mgr.: KH6DQ, RACES Nets (40, 10, 6, and 2 meters) coordinate with KH6AIN.

Nets	Freq. (Mc.)	Time (GMT)	Days
League Appointees	7.290	0700Z	Wed.
Friendly Net	7.290	2030Z	M-F
Pacific Interisland Net	14.330	08307	M-W-F
Boy Scout Ham Radio Net	21.360	1800Z	Sat.
S.E. Asia Net	14.320	1200Z	All
MARIANAS Island Net	3.850	0830Z	2,3,4

With deep regrets I must report the passing of KH6-CUP, owner/manager of Precision Radio Ltd., Honolulu, and the former Crescent City Electronics in Hilo to Si-lent Keys. KH6AD recently returned to the Mainland with his NYL Virginia to see their daughter married in Washington, D.C. KH6AD seen recently around his old neighborhood with binoculars at night was only looking for arcing insulators causing power-line-leak QRM and was not a neighborhood "Preping Tom" ag neighbors first suspected. KH6EEM, our V.H.F. PAM and 00 recently lost his bachelor status by marrying the very lovely Winnie Fagan. Good luck to both. Ev-ery active annateur is invited to submit a monthly station activity report to the SCM on the first of each month. Your SCM welcomes club. net, traffic or per-sonal news as well as operational data from individuals or groups. His address is on page 6 of each issue of QST. Let's see the Hawaiian report continue to grow. Traffic: KH6BZF 83. With deep regrets I must report the passing of KH6-

NEVADA—SCM, Leonard M. Norman, W7PBV— SEC: WA7BEU. The Euroka QCWA Nevada Chapter has been formed by W7CSB. W7ZT is home recuperat-ing from an operation. W7YRY was active handling Antarctica frathe and provided emergency communica-tions between Amchitka, Alaska, and Jackass Flatts,

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Nev., both AEC installations. W7JLV, C.D. Washoe County, was host providing refreshments and a film on the Alaskan earthquake to amateurs in the Reno area. Las Vegas RAC officers are K7RBM, pres.; WA7GIV, vice-pres.; W7CDH, secy.; W7AKE, treas.; K7TDQ and K7PPE, dr. at large; K7RKH, past pres. W7CV and X7L vacationed in XE-Land. W7FJM is home from FAA school. WA7BAV had a nice Sweepstakes report. W7FBI is a school teacher. W7HOP, K7QOP, K7YVN and K7ZAU continue to do an outstanding job with the WCARS-7255 "Sentinel." It's nice to see such a large number of Nevada amateurs display cell letter license plates. SNARC officers are W7PRM, pres.; (tenth consecutive term) WA7ESM, K7RKH, K7ZOK, vice-pres.; W7PBV, treas, and certificate custodian; Mrs. Ellis, secy.; WA7BEU, dir.-at-large.

SACRAMENTO VALLEY—SCM, John F. Minke, III, WABJDT—ECS: WB6MND, K6RHW, WB6RSY, W6-SMUU, WA6TQJ, RMs: W6LNZ, WB6YTX. WA6RBD (Red Bluff) and K6RPN (Grass Valley), members of NCN, have been appointed ORSs. OO K6GG received a letter of appreciation from an amateur who was warned by Dick for excessive tuning. WB6MZX was the only station to send an SS message to his SCM. WB6VSC thinks he may have the room to install a 40-meter rhombic! WA6CXB is fed up with ignition noise on 2 meters and is about to switch to horizontal polarization. W6GDD on Mt. Vaca. WA6YZD reports the following who gave some of their time to help in the Red Cross "Voices from Home" program: W6SI, WB6-QMT, WA6CXB and W2YYP, who is now W6JON. K6RHW reports that the Nevada Co. Slow Speed Net is no longer in operation. The Nevada Co. ARC is slowly establishing a net on 1915 kc. WA6JDT finally qualified for his DXCC after working at it on and off for five years; I had about 50 countries as K2IKS, but no good out here, Good luck to all you DXers in the 1969 ARRL DX Competition. Traffic: W80DA6 77, W6LNZ 76, WB6YTX 49, WA6JDT 19, WB6MAE/6 16, WB6WJO 15, W60KR 4, WA6CXB 2, W64UZ 1.

WB6WJO 15, W6NKR 4, WA6CXB 2, W6VUZ 1. SAN FRANCISCO—SCM, Hugh Cassidy, WA6AUD— SEC: W6WLV, WB6PQE received the annual award from the Marin Club as the Ham of the Year for his work in amateur radio during the past year. WB6UJO has returned to DXing from a trip to the Orient where he visited DX friends in Singapore, Malaysia, Macco, Hong Kong and Japan. WB6JQP was home for Thanksgiving and then went out to sea again. The Petaluma Itadio Klub held its Dec. 7 while the San Francisco Radio Club held its Dec. 14. New othicres of the San Francisco Club are W6VYC, pres.: WA6VLX, vicepres.; Bob Lyon, ex-W6, seever: W6FAX, treas, WA6-DJI is seev. of the Central California Radio Council for the coming year. The Humboldt Radio has increased its membership to over thirty and is looking for more in the northwest corner. K6KGI, of Eureka, who received commendation for emergency activity in the 1955 Hoods, was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross recently in Viet Nam. W6BLP was the big scorer in the recent Sweepstakes, WA6KFC/6 is a recent newcomer to Marin who is getting active in traffic work. WA6CPZ is again active in amateur radio in San Franrisco after a long absence. WA6BYZ keeps the string going and made the BPL again in Nov. A new EC in the Willits area is WA6NHF. W6RQ made an average error of .00007% in the Nov. FNIT—and Al still is the QO with the longest string of consecutive FMTs in the ARRL, some fifteen years of it. W6BWV reports that all the sizes indicate a wet winter in the Eel River Country where there were the disastrous floods in 1955 and 1965. WB60PG is a new AREC member in Areata. Traffic: (Nov.) WA6BYZ 398. W6KYQ 380. W6WLV 175, W6FAX 37. WA6AUD 23. K6TWJ 18. W6BWV 16. WB6-JQP 16. K6TZN 14. W6PZE 11, WA6QXY 6, WB6QPG 2, W6CYO 1. (Oct.) WB6NHF 5.

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY-SCM, Ralph Saroyan, W&JPU-The Central California Single-Sideband Assn. held its Christmas Dinner in Visalia, with 35 in attendance. WB60HB is on all bands with a Drake line. W6TRP and W6JUK are holding 6-meter S.S.B. skeds. W6DCP is on all bands s.s.b. WB6RSS was in the SS Contest. WB6SUP has an SB-401. The BakerSield repeater is coming along and should be on the air scon. It will be on 2 meters. W6NKJ is on RTTY, K6KDM is on 2-meter f.m. WB6WCY has a TR-108. K6KQL has an HW-17. W6GRA has an HW-17 also. WA6PXC is on 2-meter s.b. The Kern River Valley Amateur Radio Club got the call WA6OUX. W6VQS is pres.; WB6UHK, vice-pres.; WB6UV, scc.; and the club has 12 members to start. WB6WJR was in the SS and made 38,130 points. WB6RSS made 25,515 in the SS.

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W6DPD is looking for contacts on 145.05 Mc. nightly on s.s.b. WB6UYG is working DX on 6 meters. W6YKS is on 6 and 2 with homemade equipment using a 5763 in the final. He reports activity is slow in Stockton, but he is working into Fresno. Traffic: (Nov.) W6ADB 402, WB6HVA 213, W6IPC 180, WA6SCE 122, K6KOL 105. (Oct.) WB6HVA 398.

NO., WBOILYA 213, WARDEN 100, WARDEN 123, HORDE 105, (Oct.) WB6HVA 398.
SANTA CLARA VALLEY-SCM, Edward T. Turner, W6NVO-SEC: W6VZE, RM: WA6LFA, W6ZRJ is reporting this month for the SCM. It is hoped that by this time, our SCM, W6NVO, is back on his feet and settled. Ed has been in the hospital for both tests and observations and on top of this contracted the flu, WA6LFA is operating on the NTS nets and holding down the fort in his capacity as RM of the section. If you are interested in supporting our c.w. traffic operation or holding an ORS appointment, contact Jim via letter 'or on the air, All stations are invited to check into our section net. NCN, on 3630 ke, any night at 0300Z or NCN slow-speed at 0430Z. W6BPT is active on NCN. W6AUC has been keeping daily skeeds with K6IXG/MM, Russ is active on several nets, W6YZT works TCC. W6VK is active with the QCWA and other local nets. W6YBV is culling for Nevada stations on NCN as he has had to mail much traffic, Anyone with contacts in the area is invited to check into NCN to QSP. W6DEF is active on NCN and reports on the autivity of the SCARS and the PAARA. The SCARS was busy making plans for its Christmas Party and the PAARA was planning to hear a talk by Hal on traffic operation at its Dec, meeting. The SCARA also was making plans for its Christmas Dinner. The San Carlos C.D. Radio Club elected WA6CCA, of Belmont, as president. Reports are a little low this month. If you have any items to report, please send them to your SCM. Addresses for all SCMs are found on page for any issue of QST. Traffic: W6RSY 779, W6YBY 302, W6DEF 123, WA6LFA 83, W6AUC 50, W6BPT 28, W6-ZRJ 13, W6VK 6.

#### **ROANOKE DIVISION**

ROANOKE DIVISION NORTH CAROLINA-SCM. Barnett S. Dodd, W4-BNU-Asst. SCM and Acting RM: James O. Pullman, W4VTR. SEC: WA4LWE, PAM: W4AJT, V.H.F. PAM: W4UJZ. W4VON has a G4ZU beam up and says he is doing lots of 10-meter c.w. work. WA4KWC has been appointed EC for Buncombe County. K4TTN says. "A Novice recently licensed was Sister Suzanne, a Catholic nun. The first nun licensed in North Carolina is a product of our club's (Buncombe County ARC) code and theory classes." K4ATPE, W54BGL, WN4JYB and W4VON all reported good scores in the C.W. Sweep-stakes, and WA4FFW reported good scores in both the C.W. and Phone SS, K4SHU has a new Johnson 6N2. WB4GNU and WB4IGH are forming an s.s.b. net on 28,550 Me, at 0300Z daily, K4DFI is DXing with a new SB-101. SB-101.

Net	Freq.	Time	Days	QTC	Mgr.
NCN(E)	3573 kc.	2330Z	Daily	157	W4IRE
THEN	3923 kc.	0030Z	Dailv	143	W4ZZC
SSBN	3938 kc.	0030Z	Daily	31	WA4LWE
Late: (Oct.)	1	-	•		
SSBN	3938 kc.	00 <b>3</b> 0Z	Daily	34	WA4LWE
Traffic: W	4EVN 403.	W4FDV	83, W.	A4VNV	45, K4EO
36, WA4G	MC 31. W.	44KWC	30. WA	4UQC	19. W4ZZC
19. WA4V	TV 17. K4G	TN 16.	WA4AK	X 14.	W4VTR 14.
W4BNU 7	, K4ZKQ 6,	W4VON	1.		•

SOUTH CAROLINA—SCM, Charles N. Wright, W4-PED—SEC: WA4ECJ, RM: K6QPH/4. PAM: WB4BZA.

SEC: WA4	ECJ. RM	: K6QPH/4.	PAM: WB	4BZA.
SCN 3	795 kc.	0000Z and 0300	Z Daily	Nov. Tfc. 69
SCSSBN 3	915 kc.	0000Z Daily		Nov. Tfc. 196

The Anderson ARC toured the NASA STADAN sta-tion at Roseman, N.C., and returned with big eyes over the 300-ton beam they saw! WB4FAN is finishing an HW-100 and WB4AQF is mobile with an HW-12. WB4LMS is keeping 40 meters heated up from Spartan-burg, K4WJT, in Cayce, is a new Class III OO. W44A,

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finishing up a new 2-meter transceiver, has been active on 2. both mobile and fixed, in the Charleston area. WA4YAV is recovering from a busy season of football ollicitating! The reports still are coming in from the Operation 68 election return reporting project. Much valuable experience was gained from this exercise and the next one should be even better. Keep the news coming in from your local clubs. Traffic: (Nov.) K4-OCU 98. KGQPH/4 97, K4LND 92, WMC 33, W4NTO 21, W4PED 21, WJA 18, W4FVV 13. (Oct.) K4LND 47.

VIRGINIA—SCM, H. J. Hopkins, W4SHJ—SEC: K4-LMB, RMs: K4MLC, W44EUL, PAM: W4OKN, We regret to report that W4JDB joined the Silent Keys in late Oct, W4BZE received his Extra Class license and the new call is K4JM. W4EUL and WB4JEZ went to Advanced Class, WB4HRA plans to join the nets with his new HW-100. The Coast Guard Amateur Radio Club, K4CG, now is ARRL-athilated with K3WUW, WB4FQR and KLTEGA as officers. Sweepstakes participation from Virginia appears to be a new all-time high. Three are still some complaints that some net members are relusing to accept traffic which must be mailed in order to effect delivery. This is not a wholesome practice and we must face up to the fact that traffic must frequently be mailed to destination—we just don't have the complete section coverage. Unless you can suggest a better routing via radio (another net), accept what is offeredand mail it. Traffic: (Nov.) W4RHA 238, W4UQ 235, W4AEUL 149. WB4DRB 101. WB4HRA 84, K4KDJ 78, W4AEUL 149. WB4DRB 101. WB4HRA 84, K4KDJ 78, W4AEUL 149. WB4DRB 101. WB4HRA 84, K4KDJ 78, WA4KX 41, K4MLC 34, K4GR 33, WA4PBG 29, WB4-FJK 28, W4BZE 27, W4GEQ 24, W4AJF 23, W4ZS 22, K4VCY 19, WB4FLT 18, K4CG 17, K4JM 17, WB4EZ 44, WB4GYY 8, W4MK 7, W4ZAU 7, WB4GDO 6, W4DM 4. W4JUJ 4, W4TE 2, K4YEE 1, (Oct.) WB4HRA 121, WB4GYY 8, W4MK 7, W4ZAU 7, WB4GDO 6, W4DM

WEST VIRGINIA-SCM, Donald B. Morris, W8JM-SEC: W8EV. RMs: K8MYU, K8TPF. PAMs: K8CHW, W8IYD. Net Mgrs.: C.w.-K8MYU; phone-WA8YOF.

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WA8KCJ has turned over the EC post in Cabell Coun-ty to W88QO. WA8YSB, WA8RJO. W8VEN, K8MIYU and W81ZA submitted excellent reports on frequency neusuring. Wood County has an emergency net operat-ing on 6 meters. WB8BBG enjoys c.w. and is a new OKS. WA8WIX and W8EEO are new OBSs. Stubenville ARC, composed of Tri-State amateurs which includes Weirton, held its 3rd Annual Fellowship Dinner, K8-BIT is now W3EXC, and his wife, ex-K8MQB, now is W3EXG in Pittsburgh. K8VQG has a new three-ele-ment beam, K8VNL has returned to West Va. High winds played havec with the beam antennas of K8QYG and with W8CKX's 3.5 antenna. W8EEO enjoys county hunting, W8VMIP has been transferred to Louisiana. WVN C.V., with 31 sessions, 7.2 average QNI, passed 128 messages. WVN Phone, with 30 sessions, 692 sta-tions, hundled 134 messages. The Opequon Radio So-eisty held its Annual Mid-winter Dinner at Martinsburg in Jan. K8BHV, W8EG and W8AKQ are West Virginia's really old-timers. Traffic: W8SQO 158, K8MYU 76, W48RQB 54, W8AHZ 40, WA8VOF 39, WA8NDY 37, W81RZB 52, W38VCK 30, W36CKZ 20, W34NZ 32, WA8-W1X 20, W8BBEG 15, W8FKB/8 14, WA8YSB 11, W8-DUV 9, W8WEJ 9, W8GQE 7, K8ZDY 6, WA8LFZ 5, W80OI 5, WA8CKN/2 2, W8ETT 2, WA8LTW 7, W80OI 5, WA8CKN/2 1, W8ETT 2, WA8UNP 1, K8-VNL 1.

#### **ROCKY MOUNTAIN DIVISION**

ROCKY MOUNTAIN DIVISION NEW MEXICO—SCM, Kenneth D. Mills, W5WZK— SEC: W5PNY, PAMs: W5DMG, WA5FFL, OO: W5-QNQ, RAI: WA5FJK, ORS: K5MAT. OPS: W5NUI, W5PNY, W5BWV, WA5MIY, Many appointments are due for renewal. Check your certilicate; if the dato shows it is due send it to your SCM for endorsement, EC's, don't forget your monthly reports to the SEC. Even reports of no activity are important. N.M. sec-tion winner of the '08 N.Y. QSO Party was K5MAT. Chaimed SS scores: W5MYM, 27, 999-s.b.; W5QJH, 100, 800-c.w.; W5EU, 92,080-phone. WA5FJK now is Extra Class. W5NUI's telesconing mast supporting all his antennas untelescoped because of the cold weather. Jim is retiring from the AF in Feb. W5YGR is ex-perimenting with 20 through 10 meter-quads now atop his new tower. W50JM and W5PNY are on ATV in Los Alamos. W0EZT was the guest of K5MAT during Thanksgiving. W50JMG's father passed away late in November. Many condolences Rob. Traffic: (Nov.) K5-MAT 73. WA5UJY 38, W5NUI 18, W5DMG 16, WA5-FJK 13, WA5UJY 38, W5NUI 18, W5DMG 16, WA5-FJK 13, WA5JJNC 13, W5MJM 11, WA5MIY 8, W5NDA 79, W5PNY 30, WA5UJY 23, W5NUI 20, WA5JNC 13, WA5FJK 10, W5NON 4, WA5MIY 3, WA5TWA 3.

UTAH-SCM, Thomas H. Miller, W7QWII-SEC: W7WKF, RM: W7OCX. W7EVK is the 1969 pres. of the UARC, with W7VEO and K7IIPII, vice-pres.; and K7SOT. secy-treas. Utah will host the 1969 version of the Rocky Mtn. Division Convention July 4, 5, 6. Keep this week end in mind. Utah participants scored quite well in the SS this fall. The following claimed scores have been reported: Phone-K7OEZ 79.650: K9LEQ/7 99,463. C.W.-W7CYH 77.553. K7CLS 81.090. WTEM will be attending an FAA school in Oktahoma until April. K7ZJS participated in the November Frequency Mea-suring Test and also is very active in OO activities. Utah nets: BUN, daily 1930 GMT 7272 kc. UARN, Sat. and Sun. 1500 GMT 3987.5 kc. W7PPG is a new assistant NCS on UARN. WA7DVT is net manager. W7OIHL, at B.Y.U., has a TH6DX at 140 feet and dipoles for 40 and 80 at 140 feet at center. Traffic: K7HLR 189. W7OCX 139. K7SOT 55, W7EM 36, WA7-KUW 5. KUW 5.

WYOMING-SCM, Wayne M. Moore, W7CQL-SEC: K7NQX. RM: K7KSA. PAMs: W7TZK. K7SLM. OBSS: K7SLM, K7NQX, W7SDA, K7TAQ. Nets: Pony Express, Sun. at 0800 on 3920; YO, daily at 0130 GMT on 3810; Jackalope, Mon. through Sat. at 1215 on 7260; Wx Net, Mon. through Sat. at 0630 on 3920. K7TCF was married in Casper in Nov. and is now finishing his military service in Germany. K7VWA and

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OM have moved into Tensleep for the winter. New Extra and Advanced Class licensees in Casper are WTVDZ and WATKKH. WTBXS has headed south for the winter; he plans to work portable. The Annual Wyoming Hamfest is tentatively planned for July 5-6 to be held at Story. Make your plans now to attend as the Sheridan Club plans a better-than-ever event. WTLVU is busy assembling more 225-MC. equipment and the Casper group is getting more activity on 6. Trathic: KTNQX 292, WA7CLF 168, KTKSA 146, W7-T2K 106, WA7GYQ 47, W7NKR 42, KTITH 35, WA7-EUX 30, W7YWW 25, KTSLM 22, W7BHH 18, WA7-EUX 30, W7SDA 10, WA7FKF 9, K7DEJ 7, K7AHO 6, K7JED 2.

#### SOUTHEASTERN DIVISION

ALABAMA-SCM, Donald W. Bonner, W4WLG-SEC: K4KJD. PAM: WA4EEC. RM: K4BSK. Thanks to K4WHW for the fine leadership over the past two years. I solicit your help in maintaining the excellence in the Alabama section, WA4NPL is the new EC for Jackson County, replacing K4YMB. It's good to hear that the Gadsden Radio Club is very active again, WA4WGF is back with us after a long trip to Viet Nam. Thanks also to W4FPI for his fine job as SEC, W4USM is back on the air with a new tower and quad. Congratulations to K4VLL on his second retirement. Discover real fun and excitement in hamming-join a c.w. traffic net. You'll love it. Nets in the section:

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AENM	3965	0030Z	Daily	Traffic
AENP	3955	1230Z	Daily	Traffic
AENR	50.52	0115Z	WedFri.	Traffic
AENT	3970	$2230\mathbf{Z}$	Daily	Teenage Training Net
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Traffic: K4AOZ 148, K4BSK 85, WB4EKJ 68, WA4VEK 43, K4WHW 28, WA4FYO 22, WA4ROP 22, W4MKU 20, WA4AZC 18, WN4KSL 16, WA4KEC 9, WB4KDN 7, WA4NWI 6, K4JK 5, K4UUC 5, W4WLG 4, K4KJD

CANAL ZONE-SCM, Russell E. Oberholtzer, KZ5OB — The code classes for fifteen prospective hams are going real well. The Classes are sponsored by the CARC. Congratulations to KZ5WR and his XYL on the arrival of their second harmonic. KZ5MM and KZ5NN returned to the states for retirement. 73 and 88 to Roy and Marcy. New hams are KZ5KN and KZN. K9BCT is expecting his KZ5 call soon. KZ5CT and KZ6SA are the proud owners of a new Drake TR-4. Traffic: KZ5-DA 156, KZ5WH 93, KZ5SW 69, KZ5WL 50, KZ5OB 30, KZ5MV 26, KZ5WR 18.

30, RZSAW 22, RZSWR 18. EASTERN FLORDA—Acting SCM, William G. Blasingame, Jr., WA4NEV—SEC: W4IYT, Asst. SEC: W4FP, RM C.W.: W4ILE, RM RTTY: W4RWM, PAM 75M: W40GX, PAM 40M: W4SDR. V.H.F. PAM: WA4BMC. It is very easy to tell from the traffic reports that winter and the holiday season is here. Traffic totals have increased considerably. It surely would be nice if the individual reports would increase so that we could be number one. W8BZY/4 reports he is well on the way toward DXCC and hopes to make it before being transferred. WA4QLZ has reported for active duty with the Navy. It is quite possible that we will hear John soon as a maritime mobile station. I am very sorry to report the passing of the XYL of W4-DVO. "Cy, we are all thinking of you in these trying times, and look forward to hearing you active again soon." The Vero Beach Amateur Radio Club has elected W4DFZ, pres.; W4LEP, vice-pres.; W44QY, sey.; WA4SCK, treas, The Indian River Amateur Radio Club set up stations at four locations on Nov. 23 to handle Thanksgiving traffic. Approximately eightyfive messages were handled in the one-day affair. There is an increase in 2-meter f.m. activity in the Jackson-





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IEX 24. GEORGIA.—SCM, Howard L. Schonher, W4RZL-SEC: WA4WQU, ICAI: W4FDN, PAMs: K4HQI, W4 YDN, K40WV visited with WA4WQU. W84EAIV nor is active with an HW-12A. WB4DTY and W4JCA ar sporting new quads. WB4DCY is on with a 4-100 linear. WB4EWU has a new HW-100, W4ICA has new 60-ft, crankup. W4BQU is working 100-w.p.m RTTY. The Georgia State Net met all 32 sessions with 355 stations and 194 messages. Meet the nets on 3505 kc at 0000 and 0300 daily. W4PIM has a new grandson courtesy of his youngest daughter. Two new station on 2 meters in the Atlanta area are W4BGH and W4 LYG, 50-Mc, activity was somewhat reduced in Nov W4HYW is on the QCWA Chapter 43 QSO Party com mittee. W4BGK and W4YNL are on 6-meter as.b: W4BTW has a 420 tripler. Atlanta 2-meter stations ar using the Mt. Alto repeater in Rome, Ga. A new f,m repeater soon will go in operation on Stone Mt, W4 LRR is working into La, and Ala. on 2. WB6UTC has a brake 2C. W4TYE has a 14AVS. K4TXK hoisted new antenna with the help of the telephone compan with a cherry picker on one end and a fire truck o other. WB4EMF lost his TA-33 when the guy broke Traffic: WB6UTC/4 154. W4FDD 122. WA4RAV 88 W4DDY 79. W4TYE 65. WA4WQU 56, WA4UQQ 48 W4PIN 42. K4TXK 41, W4FD 13, W4RZL 8, WB4HHI 5, WA4KQO 5, W4REI 5, WB4EMF 3. WESTERN FLORIDA—SCM. Frank M. Butler, Jr

WESTERN FLORIDA—SCM, Frank M. Butler, Jr W4RKH—SEC: W4IKB. PAM H.F.: W7BNR/4. PAM V.H.F.: W4UUF, RM: K4UBR, Nets:

Net	Freq.	Time	Days	Sess.	QNI	QT
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QFN	3651 kc.	2330/0 <b>3</b> 00Z	Daily	60		••

QFN 3651 kc. 2330/0300Z Daily 60 ... .. Pensacola: W4AXP, RM, ORS and ex-SCM, joined th Silent Keys. WA4EPHI is at school in Virginia. WB4 DVM is collecting parts for linear, likewise WB4JC and K4CFS. K4ZLE put up a new tower just in tim to be transferred! The FFARA is furnishing instruc-tors for a code and theory course lasting 6 months K4DOT maintains OO activity. Crestview: W4OCC was seriously injured in an auto accident. Fort Walton WB4LRW received his new ticket (ex-WN4EQT). K1 WYS/4 is on 6- and 2-meter mobile. WA0HIA/4 is mobile on 2-meter f.m. The N.W. Fla. FM Assn. spon sored a clinic for production-line tune-up of FM unit for members. W4ZWD sends greetings from the S Steel Traveler. Panama City: The PCARC held it annual installation dinner. New officers are WA4IMC pres.; K4AHV. vice-pres.; WN4KJB, secy.; W44ZTC trens. WB4IXK is a new OPS. WA4VIY had a goo score in the SS. Port St. Joe: W4WEB and W4MXJ monitor 146.94 Mc. for mobiles during the day. Chip lev: W4KB has a 146.34/146.94 f.m. repeater going Marianna: WB4LRX is a new haun on 2 meters. Cy press: W4KCA is mobile on 2-meter f.m., and has pair of five-element beams up 50 feet at home. Traffic (Nov.) WB4DVM 43. W4WEB 34. W4IKB 13. WB4IX. 12. W4KCA 12. WB4CTY 9. W4IKH 18, WB4EQU (Oct.) WB4EQU 4.

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is sponsoring the Annual Arizona QSO Party Feb. and 9. See Jan. QST for details. The Old Pueblo AR completed a successful year with a membership of about 120. The Scottsdale ARC cletted W7OPS, press K7GPZ, member-at-large. The 75-meter transmitt hunt of the Arizona ARC was won by WA7DGY, bihe sure took the hard way to get there. Here are son of the radio clubs in the state with the times, day and locations of the meetings: Arizona ARC, 2000, 1 & 3rd Thurs., 1510 E. Flower, Phr. Arizona Iepeate 2000, 2nd Tue., 2002 E. Camelback, Phr. Coconin ARC, 1930, Fri., 1601 N. East St., Flagstaff. Marico U.D., 1930, 4th Thurs., 2035 N. 52nd St., Phr. O Pueblo ARC, 1930, 2nd Wed., Randolph Park Club house, Tuc. Phoenix V.H.F., 2000, 1st & 3rd Wed., 15 E. Flower, Phr. Scottsdale ARC, 1920, 3rd Mon., 35 Old Scottsdale Rd. Yuma Valley ARC, 2000, alterna Wed., member's homes. Permits for 30 and 60 days operate in Mexico are available from LMRE, Box 90 Mexico City. W7IR is working lots of DX on 40 wi a three-element beam. W7LO is now mobile on and 80. Trathic: W7GEP 346, K7NHLL 259, K7UYW 11 WA7DUB 69, W7OUE 47, W7CAF 30, K7KFI 28, WA 11F 20, W7KYM 15, W7MES 15, WAAVR 13, WA7EQ 12, WA7FEG 12, W7UXZ 12, W7CEN 8, WA7HUH WA7TED 8, K7JFY 6, W7QHD 5, W3BFB/7 4, K7UC 4, WA7EHS 3, K7RLT 3, W7DQS 2.

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 LOS ANGELES—SCM, Donald R. Etheredge, E. UNIV—Asst. SCM: Harvey D. D. Hetland, WA6512
 BPL congratulations to W6GYH and W86B501 A n net has been formed in the section called CNN, Cal Novice Net, which meets daily at 0400Z on 3737.
 Write W86USX, 1209 Hofman Ave., Long Beach 908 for further information. WB65X7 reports he is installian a new tower. New gear includes the following: WB651 an RBC-3 receiver, WB6SSZ a keyer, WA6DPP an SB-receiver. New officers of the San Fernando Valley I. Club include W6GP, prexy: W6ED, Vice-prexy: W62D, And W86ED are both active on 220 Mc. K6ROC, L. Cliv RACES members, recently visited their Hq. si ton on Mt. Lee and welcomed W6EL, WA6TIY a WB6VKQ as new members. The East San Gabriel Y. lev AREC provided communications for the Long Ber veterans Day Parade. W60EO honeymoomed in Eur recently. W6CRQ is still active on jury duty. The Pa sades ARC reports WA05 KZB and JQB as new me bers. W60Z and WA6YKP are both /MM service n and WB6MTL recently sailed on the hospital ship *H*0 M86TMC, then WA6MIC, is now W6GEN operated XE0GEN in the recent cw. test. New ollicers of Va05 kt/B and JQB as new me bers. W60Z and WA6YKP are both /MM service n and WB6MTL recently child a charity auction and also welcon WB6MTM as a new member. W6MIH and WB6TOS both working on linears. OVS W6GEN operated XE0GEN in the recent cw. test. New ollicers of quad. WA6AGU and WN6MS are new to the Va1 Radio Club W6SD crew. The Marina ARC reportive General tower J0555 cond W6552 are recent tower J0555 both working on linears. OVS W6GEN are a Advanced Class. WB6WPO, the TRW ARC, has a antennas up and includes W66UD and WA6EKL. While W6EJJ lost quad. WA6AGU and WN6MS are new to the Va1 Radio Club W6SD crew. The Marina ARC reportive proces W1652 crew in the shack because of xtom hoss trading. Note the new frequencies for W1AW (practic wolf). Ne0FOR as a Silent Key. New Extra Class hold now inclu



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ORANGE—SCM, Roy R. Maxson, W6DEY—WB6-CQR has resigned as V.H.F. EC because of the press of other public service activities. WB6TYX has accepted appointment as the new EC and will continue the high level of the 2-meter netivities so ably set by WB6CQR and AECs W66WOO. WB6-HJL and WA6VVP. The 2-meter nets are on 145.53 at 0700 and 1030 Sun. local times. A joint meeting of the Orange County and San Fernando DX Clubs was held at the Roger Youth Auditorium, L.A. on Dec. 5. Orange County and Collicers for 1969 are WA6ROF, pres.; WB6RVM, vice-pres.; WB6TBU, secy.; WB6CQR, treas.; W6BNX, act, mgr.; W66HBC, pub. rel.; W66CPR, TVI chmn.; WB6WOO mbr.; WB6UDC, brd. mbr., W6GB is experimenting with FET front end for his receiver. WB6TYZ says school and hasketball are cutting into his ham operating time. WA6TAG, EC Desert Area, advises the new AEC is WB6VWI. We welcome to the Orange section, K4BMR. Major General John B. Bestic, retired, ARRL members will remember him as the featured speaker at our recent Southwestern Division Convention in Phoenix. Traffic: (Nov.) W6BNX 451, WA6ROF 135, WB6TYZ 134, W6EIY 13, WA6TAG 7, W6BUK 4, W6GB 4, (Oct.) W6BNX 249.

13. WA6TAG 7, W6BUK 4, W6GB 4. (Oct.) W6BNX 249.
SAN DIEGO-SCM, James E. Emerson, Jr., WE6-GMM, The ARC of El Cajon gave its "Amateur of the Year" award to WA6COE. Dick has done an excellent job in club organization and editing the club paper. The FCC has granted the call K6SD, as a club call, to be trusted during the San Diego 200th Anniversary. WE6KSA is trustee. JA6CJZ was a recent visitor at the home of WB8ZDJ. We understand he had some of our local 2-meter lads believing the long, long skip was in. K6ROR is now the So. Cal. Area Navy MARS Coordinator, with K6HAV assisting him as So. Cal. H.F. net manager and WA6HQAI as admin, assistant. The Palomar Radio Club is very active supporting Marine Corps stations in KR6-Land with telephone relav skeds. Those involved are WB6QHP, WB6CTN, WB6IFH and WB6HEJ. At this writing there are a few Early Bird tickets left for the Southwestern Convention to be held in San Diego in Oct. If you'd like to save a few dollars, contact any member of theory classes at Midway Adult High on Mon. nights for those wishing to prepare for their Vdvanced or Extra Class tickets. Traffic: (Nov.) K6BPI 2897. W64DK 4572. W6B6ZD 167. W6SE 86. K6HAY 82. WB61RMIT 41. WA6COE 16. WB6UNB 15. WA6KHN 2. (Oct.) K6BPI 9825.

SANTA BARBARA-SCM. Cecil D. Hinson, WA6-OKN-SEC: K6GV. RM: W6UJ, K7RWI is operating in San Luis Ohisho as a portable pending receipt of his 6 call. Aside from active traffic activities, K7RWI is also working on a home-brew 20-meter beam. W6YMD, of Thousand Oaks, has changed his call and QTH to W6-GP, of Chatsworth. The Camarillo Mike and Key ARC recently received League affiliation at ceremonies attended by Yours Truly and Director K6KW. This is a very active club which meets the 2nd Thurs, of each month at the Security Pacific Bank. Active during the recent Phone Sweepstakes were the following: W6GEB, WB6-DPV, WB6AQW, WB6LJL, WB6WFP, K6GV is not very active since he started construction of the Simi Masonic temple. WN6ZWM is building his 12th Heathkit. Traffic: K7RWI 160, W6UJ 35, WA6FKY 20.

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**OKLAHOMA**—SCM, Ceeil C, Cash, W5PML—SEC: WA5AOB, RM: W5QMJ, PAMs: W5MFX, K5TEY, WA5JGU, K5ZCJ. The Texoma Hamarama was a big success with more than 200 attending. The terhnical program was outstanding, especially that by W5HXL and W5JJ on Synthesizers and Transmission lines. A very interesting tape of the Geneva Convention was furnished and played by W5LR, SCM Northern Texas. Open Forum was held by W5LN, SCM and XYL have returned from Colorado where they visited their son-in-law in the Fort Carson Army Hospital recovering from a broken neck, W5FKL has been visiting in El Paso. The big event of this area will be the 1969 Fort Sill Centennial. The Lawton-Ft. Sill ARC members have special centennial QSL cards and certificates. Sill Centennial. The Lawton-Ft. Sill ARC members have special centennial QSL cards and certificates. Congratulations to W5JJ on being elected vice mayor of Warr Acres, and to K5WPP on his Advanced Class license. K5CAY has a telephone relay schedule with KL7FBL WA50WO has Thurs, schedule with the USS Glacier at the South Pole. Correction to Dec. QST: WA5RRM is net mgr. of OPON, not WA5RRM. Net reports: OPEN. 5 sessions, 162 QNI, 3 QTC. STN, 25 sessions, 678 QNI, 240 QTC. OPON, 20 sessions, 266 QNI, 72 QTC. The Lawton-Fort Sill ARC Annual Hamfest and Banquet will be held at the National Guard Armory Feb. 9. Traffic: (Nov.) K5TEY 5304,



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SOUTHERN TEXAS—SCM. G.D. Jerry Sears, W5A1R—SEC: K5QQG. PAM: W5KLV. RM: W5EZY. Just back from vacation to New Orleans, Oklahoma and Kanasa where I enjoyed QSOs with a number of Southern Texas stations while on the road. I enjoyed meeting some of the mutarus in Oklahoma City whom I have worked mansas where 1 enjoyed QSOs with a number of Southern Texns stations while on the road. I enjoyed meeting some of the aunateurs in Oklahoma City whom I have worked. K2EIU/5 has been enjoying casual QSOs in the quiet Extra band segments. kC WSTFW advises he is getting ready for a Golden Triangle Club meeting in Beaumont Feb. 7, 1969. Many are looking forward to the Houston Amateur Radio Club "Old Timers Night" meeting in Feb. 7, 1969. Many are looking a great job with the Twin Cities Public Service Net, he also has training going for Novices. The HARC Hamfest had a good turnout. W5DNE won the field strength contest and K5FRG the transmitter hunt. EC W51CL has been giving the mobiles a workout with some transmitter hunts on 6 meters with K5BBN doing the hiding. In the W5ES Bulletin from EI Paso, Editor W5NGW reports they had two bowls of punch, one for the big'ints and one for the little'uns at its Club Christmas Party. Hope you all had a good Christ-muss and a safe and Happy New Year as we sure want to hear you on the air in 1969. N5WYN was elected NCS of the West Gulf Emergency Net for 1069. Traffic: W5QJA 129. WA5QKE 109. V5EZF 102. W5BGE 92. WA5AUZ 88. W5ABQ 86. K5HZR 81. W5TFW 59. IS2EIUJ5 42. WA5KU 37. W7WAHJ5 31, W5KLV 24. K5WYN 16.

#### CANADIAN DIVISION

CANADIAN DIVISION ALBERTA—Acting SCM/SEC, Don Sutherland, VE6FK—The Vulcan, Border and Southern Alberta Radio Clubs hosted an exodent retirement banquet on Nov, 23 for VE0JL and VE6TG, VE6JL was presented with an engraved D104 by the above clubs. The Border Club was presented the fine ARLA President's Award by VE6VF for its outstanding performance on FD. As his first duties as SCM. VE6FK had the pleasure of awarding ARRL Certificates of Merit to VE6TG and VE6JL. The Border Radio Club executives are VE6VE, pres.; VE6ASL, vice-pres.; VE6ANK, seey.-treas. The executives of the SAARC are VE6ANK, pres.; VE6ALS, vice-pres.; VE6ANK, seey.-treas. The newly-relected CARA executives are VE6AWF, pres.; VE6AIN, vice-pres.; VE6AGK, seey.; VE6AWF, pres.; VE6AIN, vice-pres.; VE6AGK, seey.; VE6AWF, pres.; VE6AIN, vice-pres.; VE6AGK, seey.; VE6AWF, pres.; VE6AIN, vice-pres.; VE6AWM, publicity; VE6AEV, VE6ALS, VE6AYL, directors. VE6AIN, as named CARA "Ham of the Yeur". VE6ADN, single station multi-operator entry, racked up the outstand-ing total of 970.240 points in the World-Wide DX Con-test. It is with regret we record the passing of VE6VII and VE6AN to Silent Kevs. Traffic: VE6FK 17, VE6A XC 8, VE6ALW 5, VE6KS 4, VE6XF 1. BRIUSH COLUMBIA—SCAL IL E. Savare, VE7FB

**BRITISH COLUMBIA**—SCM, H. E. Savage, VE7FB —The British Columbia Amateur Radio Association awards committee selected VE70Z for the annual cup award for the part he played in the paraplepic games, the founding of code and theory classes at Person Hospital, helping the hundleag pass their examination and the hospital station, VE7PAR. Harry stated that he is accepting the cup on behalf of the members of

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the Canadian Pacific ARS who also did much work on the above. New officers of the BCARA are VE7EQ, pres.; VE7ABS, secy.-treas. VE7AAA is in the hospital, VE7ABS has been but is now out, VE7OF and VE7ZK have just come out, The Beaver Valley ARC has a fine monthly paper. Burnaby ARC's officers are VE7RR, pres.; VE7BRF, vice-pres.; VE7BVG, secy.treas. The RTTY-West-Can Net meets on 3610 kc. nightly at 0230Z. VE7LL, who was VE7BHH, will be glad to hear you. The postal strike in Canada broke our record of never missing this report. Even though we did send a report by radio it did not make it. VE7GG has his tower up and we hear that VE7BDI also has raised his tower, but it was a "Laurel and Hardy Comedy." VE7AKA, who came to Vancouver in 1959 and held G3CBO in 1947, builds his own 2-meter gear. Traffic: VE7ZK 162, VE7AC 24, VE7SE 18, VE7GG 15, VE7BLO 14.

MANITOBA—SCM, John Thomas Stacey, VE4JT— This column is being put together not because I have decided to come out from hiding but because I fed that it is the means of bringing to your attention the problems with which I am faced. This section has weakened to the point where action is needed to revive it: One of our major weaknesses is within the AREC where for months I have endeavored to find someone to take up the SEC job but there are no takers. Repeated reminders to AREC members that their appointments have lapsed results in dead silence. No one seems interested in renewal. The only reports I have received in the past four months have come from the traffic nets but unfortunately this material does not fill a column and to those faithful members of MEPN and MTN I offer my apologies for not being able to include their reports in a monthly column. Pressure of work has kept me off the air since last April and I am totally dependent on monthly reports to report activities. VE4UM was active during the Manitoha Amateur Sports Asen. Walkathon in Oct. The station manager for UMARS is VE4IA, who now has his Advanced Class ticket. VE4EI is on RTTY. VE4NE has modified his keyer for left-handed operation. VE4RQ now has his ORS appointment. MTN now meets at 0045Z on 3615 kc. and reports sessions 30 QNI 133 and QTC 50. MEPN had 30 sessions, QNI 579, QTC 6.

QTC 50. MEPN had 30 sessions, QNI 579, QTC 6. **ONTARIO**—SCM, Roy A. White, VE2BUX—Ast. National Coordinator AREC: VE3YC. SEC: VE3OE. PAMS: VE3AKQ and VE3BLZ. RMs: VE3GI and VE3DPO. VE3EAR went on 40 and 75 with a 10-watt transmitter. Total cost to him was 25¢! 80 meters was open, coast to coast, several times in Nov. The Clinton ARC appeals to the boys to keep that audio gain down and thus avoid unnecessary QRM. RSO is appealing for funds to aid budding blind hams. VE3AW, the chairman of the project, would sure appreciate your donation. After reading the *PM* mag for Oct. and QST for Dec. concerning the legality of phone patches, I'm still confused! RTTY buffs will be interested to know that VE3GON has the 400. VE3FXC is out of the hospital and heading for Mexico. If you are interested in an ARRL appointment, get in touch with your SCM. The London ARC hold its 500th session of the "Larc". Net recently. VE3CFR, one of the originators, was NC. VE3NZ recently returned from a trip to DL-Land. Your SCM would really appreciate receiving club bulletins from those not presently sending them in. VE3ACH brought home an HW-100 from the recent convention in Brantford. Congrats also to VE3-

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GNO, who has just won her green Judo belt. Windsor ARC executives for '69 include VE3ETM, pres.; VE3-GKA, vice-pres.; VE3AMU, secy.; VE3FWV, treas. The Lakehead ARC has been busy lately with search and rescue efforts. These greetings may be a little late but they are none the less sincere. All the best to you and yours in '69 from your SCM. Traffic: VE3BUR 116.

QUEBEC-SCM, J. W. Ibey, VE20J-SEC: VE2-ALE. RM: VE2DR. PAM (h.f.): VE2BWL. The pilot ADE, RMI VOLDA, FAM (MIL), FORMERS IN A DESCRIPTION OF A usual, the loudest voices haven't been heard from-re-peaters and their frequencies are in a mess and need the most help-but nary a word regarding a nominee-maybe they can figure it out alone and figure they must. VE2ALE is proud of a brand-new son. VE2-AVP and his XYL VE2DGV have a new op. In Nov. we attended a well-organized, disciplined and objec-tive meeting of the Laurentian DX Club, VE2DEX, a commercial license holder, has acouired an aircraft vE2APT, VE2AVP, VE2OK, VE2YG and VE2BSK are only a few we can name who are licensed aircraft pi-lots-the latter two are airline pilots. Au delà de 40 élèves se sont inscrits aux cours de radio Amateur du Radio Club de Québec. Félicitations aux organisateurs de ces cours: VE2DFR et VE2BUB, VE2BPT est très actif sur le 80 mètres avec son gros kw. VE2ASU, VE2DCW at VE2PJ sont des adeptes du mètres CE; voilà une bande très négligée par les stations du Qué-bec. Traffic: VE2BRD 71, VE2AJD 34, VE2DEX 56, VE2DCY 50, VE2ALE 46, VE2AJD 34, VE2DC 16, VE2CP 9, VE2OJ 9.

VE2DVY 50, VE2ALE 46, VE2AJD 34, VE2EC 16, VE2CP 9, VE2OJ 9. SASKATCHEWAN—SCM, Gordon C. Pearce, VE5-HP—Mexabitions were held in Saskatoon and Regina during Nov. and VESAA and VESNN gave the visitors an insight into the operation of ham stations, VE5AA was active at the Hobby Show held Nov. 15 and 16. Saskatchewan hams took part in the communications at Walkathons at Saskatoon and Melfort. The Regina Club, VE5AA, winner of the 1968 Field Day Award, has challenged all and sundry for the trophy in the coming year. A special committee appointed at the 1968 Hamfest for the purpose of looking into the reor-ganization of the Saskatchewan Amateur Radio League has held two meetings and formulated recommenda-tions to the SARL Board of Directors. On the late evening of Sun., Nov. 24, one of our Saskatchewan hams had the good fortune to sight a brilliant shoot-ing star or "bolide" which it is believed fell to earth in the south central part of Saskatchewan, not far from the International border. Several discussions were held on the 75-meter band between this ham and one of the local experts on the subject. On the evening of Dec. 3. a get-together on 75 meters took place be-tween Saskatchewan. "Operation Friendship", a proj-ect of the Edmonton Junior Chamber of Commerce, involving ham radio operators, promises to spread good will amongst Canadian hams. Word has been re-ceived of a request for radio equipment and broad-casting supplies from an organization sponsoring radio communications for Community Education. Known as Kenomadiwin. the project is to try and improve the lot of the native Indian population in Northern Ontario. Traffic: VESGL 81, VESEQ 29, VESEX 2, VESEX 3, VESUT 8, VESCF 5, VESCQ 5, VESEX 1, VESEX 1, VESTQ 8, VESCF 5, VESCQ 5, VESEX 1, VESSC 3, VESUT 2, VESTS 2, VESTQ 1, VESXE 1, VESKE 1, VESXE 1, VESTQ 1, VESXG 1, VESXL 1, VESYR 1.



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SB-34 SBE 4 band transceiver, brand new factory sealed box: \$\25.00. No trades! John West, P.O. Box 176, Grandview, Missouri 64030.

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FOR Sale: Heath Apache, Mohawk, SB-10, all operating now; \$275 complete. Or will sell separately, you make offer! Need space. Want small transceiver. Rev. Neumann, 2507 Madison Ave., Nortolk, Nebraska 68701.

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SELL: 21-MC Coil for HRO-50 or 60-\$20.00, W9CAS, 5625 W. B'Klyn Place, Milw. Wisc. 53216,

WANTED: Johnson SSB adaptor. E. Steward, 4 Middle St., 13M, Bridgeton, N.J. 08302.

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HEATHKIT: SB-200 in mint condx. Also Hy-Gain TH-3 Tri-band beam. WAIDLM, Jim Wisneski, x1 Hoover Avenue, Bristol. Conn. 06010.

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WANTED: RF section Henry 2KD2, WB6RZB, 6140 Capis-trano, Woodland Hills, Calif. 91364. CLEGG 66'er, mint condition and S-element beam, \$165. Heath DX-20, \$12, Will ship postpaid. KØALL, Box 721, Far-go, North Dakota 58103. GONSET GSB-100 SSB, AM CW transmitter \$160.00. WI-EOW, Richard Morin, 121 Fort Meadow Drive, Hudson, Mass. UIA 199.

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