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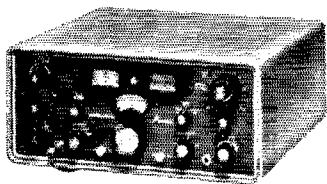


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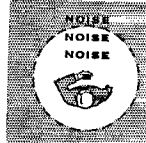
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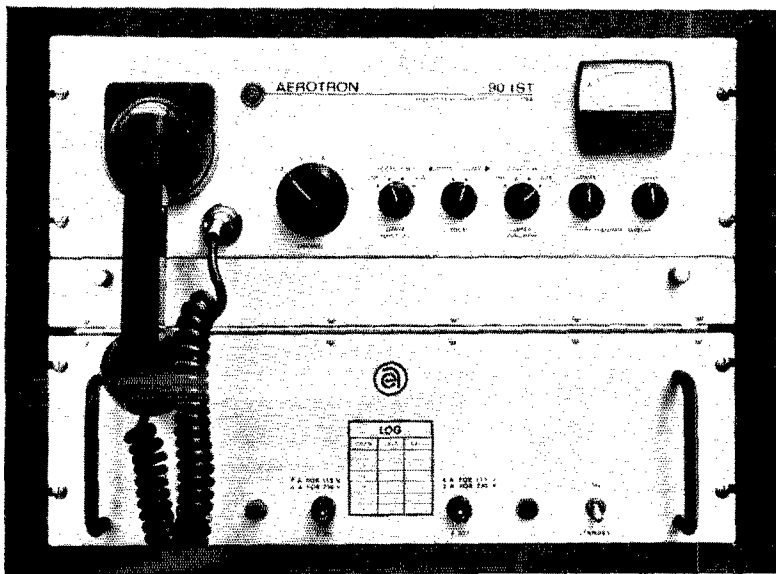
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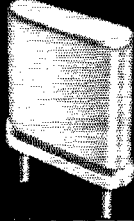
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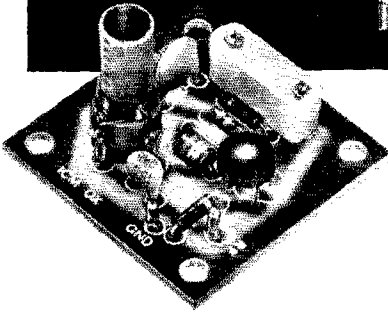
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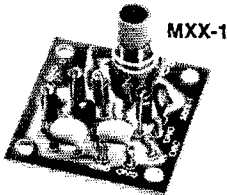
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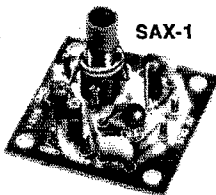
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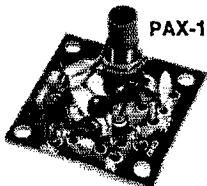
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1968 IN RETROSPECT

BEFORE we slice off that chunk of time labeled 1968 and toss it into the archives, let's take a quick reflection.

FCC's trumpet call of late 1967 for a return to an incentive licensing structure gave us all a year's warning, and was the major influence on U.S. amateur radio activity in 1968. Many accepted the challenge. There was a stepped-up code practice program transmitted by W1AW, a six-part license study guide serially in *QST*, long lines at examining offices, and many proud holders of new Advanced and Extra Class tickets — plus, of course, some pessimistic bystanders. The new rules' effective date of November 22 is only a few days ago as we write; how it will all turn out, only 1969 will tell.

The availability of two-letter call signs (for 25 years, Extra Class stature and \$20) prompted nearly 1000 amateurs to change their calls and become official "old timers" in ham radio. Presently under consideration in Washington is Docket 18266, which would give a second life to many ex-Novices, and maybe even some Technicians who sought but for some reason did not make General on the first try. Close cooperation between the Const Guard, FCC and the ARRL resulted in expansion of 160 meter frequencies and power available to amateurs. An unfortunate — but significant — "first" occurred: three amateurs were convicted for the use of obscene language in the amateur bands, with penalties of fines and prison sentences.

Among interesting happenings in Washington were continuing ARRL attempts at the desegmentation of 6-meters, clarification of the preferred call-sign program by the FCC, and the passage of the Anti-Noise Bill which governs manufacture of devices capable of generating interference to communications. FCC continued to get plenty of petitions requesting small variations of the incentive licensing program; some were quickly denied, and some still await FCC action. The "Carterphone" case in court and later under FCC evaluation produced rulings pointing the way to possible early legalization of phone patch practices — by amateurs and others.

The annual Board of Directors meeting in May laid the foundation for field advisory committees, to provide another link between the Board/staff/membership triangle; committees were established on a trial basis

in the areas of contests and v.h.f. repeaters. Life Membership continued to grow, reaching a total of more than 600 applicants. Special League emblem pins were provided for them during the year, as well as to an equal number of amateurs who had records of 25 years or more of continuous membership — plus 14 in the 50-year category! Renewed interest in amateur radio was indicated by increased publication sales, especially of the *License Manual* (25% up from the previous year) and the *Handbook* (the 4,000,000th copy presented in February to the Chairman of FCC). Postal rate rises, as well as a general upswing in the economy, caused increases in the price of several publications.

On the technical side, *QST* published many articles emphasizing the design and use of circuits centered around solid state devices — bipolar transistors, FETs, and integrated circuits. Among the subjects highlighted were: Toroidal transformers and inductors, solid state receivers, integrated circuit design, an introduction to digital logic devices, satellite picture reception and integrated circuit keyers. Several solid-state frequency standards were described with new methods of measuring frequency.

Many contesters found a new challenge in revised Field Day rules. Since 1968 pointed up problems of more realistic portable operation, 1969 should show improvements in techniques and of course scores. Two "poll surveys" conducted in the quarterly CD bulletins were instrumental in effecting some much needed rules and procedure changes and attracted widespread interest among appointees. With the new band segments for Extra Class operators, W1AW moved its transmitting frequencies to a standard 20 kHz. from the low end of all the major bands. Some new items from the Communications Department: 5-Band DXCC, consolidation of many operating aids into the new OpAid 14, the club kit, and new standard forms for activities.

Canadians had an increased license fee imposed on them amounting to \$10.00 per year. Our Canadian Division Director, in cooperation with Provincial radio organizations and clubs, took some positive steps in objection.

The International Amateur Radio Union grew in stature and strength with the admission of Monaco, Mauritius, and Surinam, and

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League Lines . . .

The government of Indonesia has advised the International Telecommunications Union of withdrawal of its objection to YB amateurs working others throughout the world; as a result, FCC is able to remove Indonesia from the "banned" list (see IARU News). Three other countries (Cambodia, Thailand and Viet Nam) still have on file with ITU a statement under Article 41 of the 1959 Geneva Radio Regulations prohibiting their amateurs from communicating with hams of other countries, and until these official objections are withdrawn, FCC is obligated to honor U.S. ratification of the Geneva agreements and keep those countries on the banned list.

To provide Board and Hq. staff liaison, President Denniston has appointed Director Victor Clark, W4KFC, and Deputy Communications Manager Ellen White, W1YYM, to the Contests Advisory Committee; and Director John Griggs, W6KW, and VHF Editor Ed Tilton, W1HDQ, for the VHF Repeater group. At press time a couple dozen nominations for membership on each committee are being examined and we hope to have names of those selected in time for next month's issue.

We tried once more, but FCC has again turned down the ARRL request (this one RM-1352) that 50 Mc. be kept available for all renewable classes of license and not restricted under the Docket 15928 incentive licensing structure. Details in "Haps" next month.

Requests for more than 10,000 log sheets were filled by Hq. for the 1968 Sweepstakes. Some complained, however, of late receipt -- they failed to bear in mind the slow mail service for third class. Allow at least four weeks for normal 3rd class mail; if in a hurry, please supply first-class postage.

A footnote to the 1963 Geneva Radio Regulations (space radiocommunications, primarily) authorizes amateur space activity in the 144-146 Mc. band. As it is the only such footnote, a possible inference is to prohibit such activity in other bands, although this is an interpretation the League has been unwilling to accept. FCC, in preparation for the 1970 space conference, to solve this difficulty proposes the following addition to the basic definition of the Amateur Radio Service: "Space radiocommunication techniques, as well as those associated with terrestrial systems, may be used in this service."

We're glad to send out 25-year continuous membership ARRL lapel pins (and have mailed about 600 so far) but this must be at your request; there are some 100,000 record cards at Hq. and it is impractical to sort through them all looking for 25-year records.

Affiliation between ARRL and more than 1200 amateur radio clubs is a special relationship that is as old as the League itself. Benefits to the club include training and program films, slides and other materials; a regular club bulletin; organizational assistance. If your club membership has at least 51% licensed amateurs, and has (or can get) 51% League members, you're eligible. Write for a copy of the new club portfolio.

Your stake in amateur radio is a big one. Let your voice be heard where it counts -- by active participation in League affairs. And get a buddy to join now. The League is what you make it.

A 1969 Model 50-Mc. Transistor Transceiver

Improved Transmitter Performance, plus All-FET Receiver

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THOUGH several articles have described 6-meter transistor transceivers, each with novel and useful ideas, we wish to submit another, with some different twists. Novel features include use of field-effect transistors throughout the receiver, except for the oscillator, and neutralization of the transmitter to improve modulation characteristics of its final stage.

This is not intended as a kit-type project for exact duplication. Rather, it sets forth ideas for those who may be in the process of designing such a rig, or who have the urge to do so. There is no "last step" in ham gear, especially that for the v.h.f. bands. It is hoped that prospective builders will add ideas and improvements of their own. The newcomer to construction of v.h.f. gear should approach this project with caution, but certainly not avoid it. With confidence, patience, and reasonable attention to layout of r.f. and i.f. circuits the resourceful builder of this kind of equipment can have many good operating hours for a minimum investment of time and money.

The Receiver

The r.f. and two i.f. stages of the receiver, Fig. 1, use FETs in simplified cascode circuits. These give good stability and as much gain as a good amplifier with pentodes, with no more parts or cost. The mixer, Q_3 , is a single transistor, with injection to the source, through a capacitor from the oscillator output circuit. It will be seen that this circuit, L_4 , L_5 , is double tuned. To further prevent spurious responses from oscillator harmonics the oscillator and related parts are enclosed in an aluminum shield can, from a cannibalized TV set. Stability is assured by using a transistor of moderate rat-

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ing, at very low input, with its voltage regulated by a Zener diode.

If selectivity is obtained through use of a crystal filter. Without this the high-frequency i.f. used would have had much too wide a response. Selectivity can also be developed with double conversion, to 455 kc., or better yet, a combination of both filter and double conversion. This may yet be done in our receiver, but the single conversion and filter shown is the simplest arrangement. Filter bandwidth is controlled largely by the value of R_1 . This can be set for good phone or c.w. bandwidth by simple substitution. The lower the value the narrower the bandwidth.

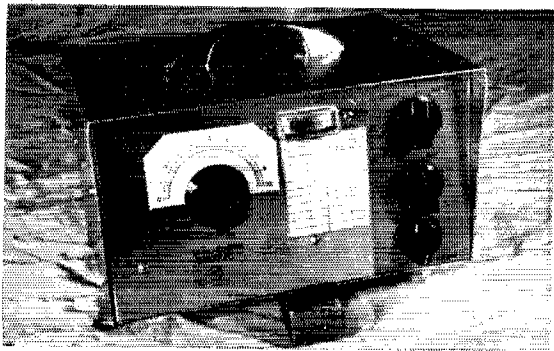
The intermediate frequency chosen, 4585 kc., has no particular significance. Anything from about 3 to 10.7 Mc. will be satisfactory. Crystals on hand for Y_1 dictated the choice in this instance. Too low a frequency gives inadequate image rejection, and anything above 10.7 Mc. may require making one's own i.f. transformers. Certain frequencies should be avoided, such as 4500 kc. (interference from all TV channels) and 3580 kc. (color TV). Difference frequencies between any two local TV or f.m. stations may generate nontunable interference that is difficult to eliminate.

Standard 10.7-Mc. i.f. transformers were used, with external capacitance to bring the resonant frequency down to 4585 kc. The filter input coil, L_6 , was made from an old 455-kc. i.f. transformer, torn apart and rewound, but it is suggested that one more 10.7-Mc. unit be used here, to save considerable labor.

The a.g.c. is obtained from the detector, and is distributed to the controlled stages through an R - C network. This system does not have the complete control over the audio output level that we had hoped for, but it does a good job of preventing overloading of the i.f. system. The S-meter is shown connected to the source lead of the second i.f. amplifier. It could just as well go to the first r.f. or i.f. stage, the choice being determined by which of these responds best to the a.g.c. voltage.

Detection is accomplished with two 1N34A diodes, CR_3 , CR_4 , in a voltage-doubler circuit. The audio is run directly to an FET audio

The WA7FJC 50-Mc. Hilltopper. Knob at the upper right controls the meter switch, with positions for reading relative transmitter output, received-signal strength, and battery voltage. The send-receive switch is just below, and the audio volume control and main battery switch are in the lower right corner.



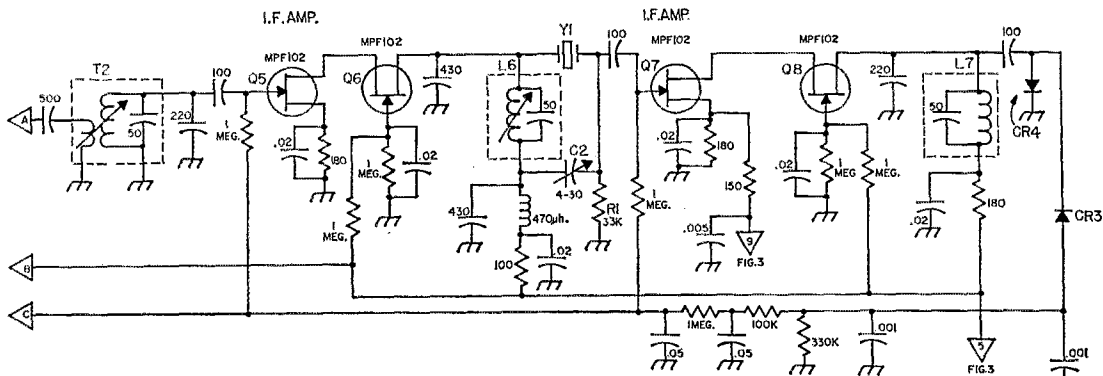


Fig. 1—Schematic diagram and parts information for the receiver portion of the WAFJIC 50-Mc. transceiver. Unless otherwise indicated, resistors are 1/4-watt composition. Capacitors marked SM are silver-mica. Component numbers not listed below are for text references. C₁—11-pf. variable of rugged design, preferably ball-bearing. Drive with external vernier.

C₂—30-pf. ceramic trimmer.

CR₁-CR₄—1N34A diode.

CR₅—6.5-volt Zener diode.

L₁—5½ turns No. 34 enamel on ¼-inch iron-slug form (Miller 23A000 RPC). Tap at 2 turns, or wind 1½-turn link.

L₂—4½ turns like L₁; no tap.

L₃—6½ turns like L₂.

L₄—6 turns No. 20, ½-inch diam., 16 t.p.i. Tap at 2 and 5 turns from ground end. (B & W 3003).

Audio Amplifier-Modulator

Most transistor transceiver designs employ ready-made audio modules. These are inexpensive and convenient, but in this instance we wanted to do the whole job, putting the receiver and audio on a single circuit board. Only three inexpensive transistors and transformers are used, and the circuit, Fig. 3, is as simple as possible. A 2N508, Q₁₃, drives two 2N321s, Q₁₄ and Q₁₅, with up to one watt output if necessary.

A telephone handset is plugged into J₂. In transmitting its carbon microphone is coupled to the driver stage through T₃, and no speech amplifier is needed. In receiving the earphone is in parallel with the speaker, and is used when operating under noisy conditions, as in group work during Field Day.

The modulation transformer, T₅, is rated at 300 mw., but considerably more can be run in voice work without serious distortion or danger of burnout. This was intended to be a driver transformer; in normal use the higher-resistance winding would be on the output side. The windings are interchanged in this application, the low-resistance winding being the output, carrying the d.c. to the modulated stages. The tap is run to the driver stage. In receiving the amplifier output runs to the stepdown transformer, T₄, which matches the low impedance of the speaker voice coil. This transformer could be eliminated if a 3-winding transformer (500 c.t., 500 c.t., 8 ohms) can be obtained for use at T₄.

L₅—6 turns No. 28 vinyl-insulated, like L₂.

L₆, L₇—10.7-Mc. i.f. transformer. Use primary only (Miller 2070).

T₁, T₂—10.7-Mc. i.f. transformer (Miller 2072).

T₃—Audio transformer; pri. 10,000, sec. 1500 ohms.

T₄—Crystal between 3 and 10.7 Mc. See text.

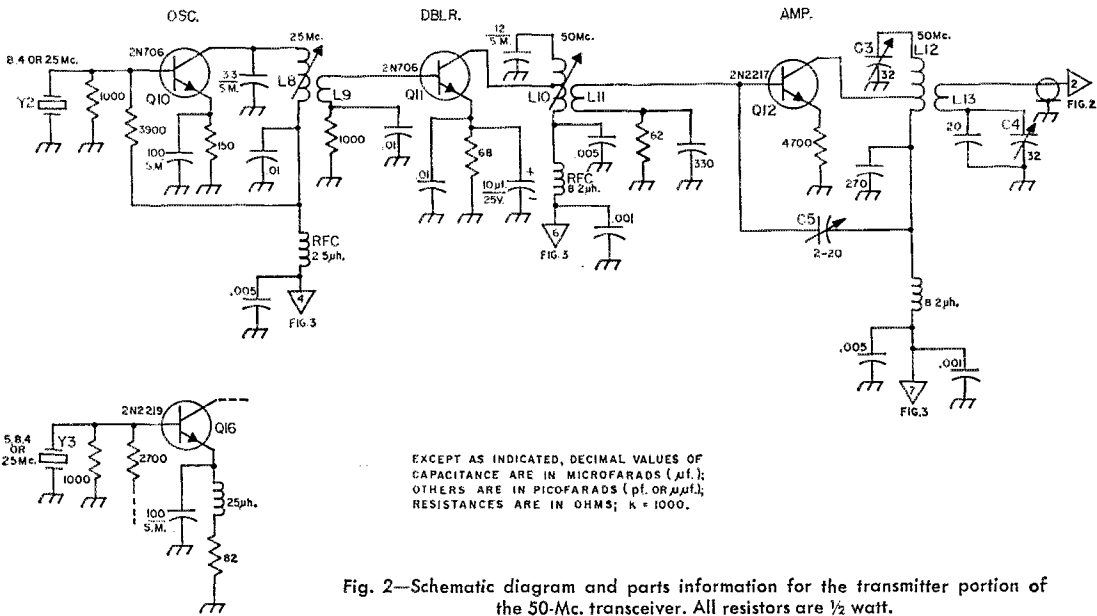
Adjustment

Receiver alignment is relatively simple, and it is made easier with the signal source shown in Fig. 4. The crystal can be the one used in the i.f. filter, for i.f. alignment, or the transmitter crystal, for peaking the front end. A calibrated dip meter is helpful.

Peak the receiver i.f. first. Feed the generator output (with the i.f. crystal in the generator) into the mixer gate connection to L₆, and peak the i.f. for maximum S-meter response. To insure accurate peaking, adjust the voltage on the generator, via R₄, so that the meter is reading around S9. During the adjustment process, set the crystal phasing capacitor, C₂, at about one-third capacitance.

Next the oscillator should be put on the proper frequency. This is best done by monitoring on a calibrated receiver capable of tuning the 40 to 50-Mc. range, but a calibrated dip meter or wavemeter can be used. The oscillator should be on the low-frequency side of the signal frequency, unless you live in an area where there is extensive use of the frequencies around 40 Mc. Image rejection is better with the oscillator on the low side than on the high. You will note that adjustment of L₅ has some effect on the oscillator frequency. This can be used for "fine tuning," once L₄ has been adjusted to within 500 kc. or so of the desired frequency.

With the oscillator on the proper frequency and the i.f. system peaked, it should be possible to receive local signals. These may be used in tuning up the front end, or the signal gen-

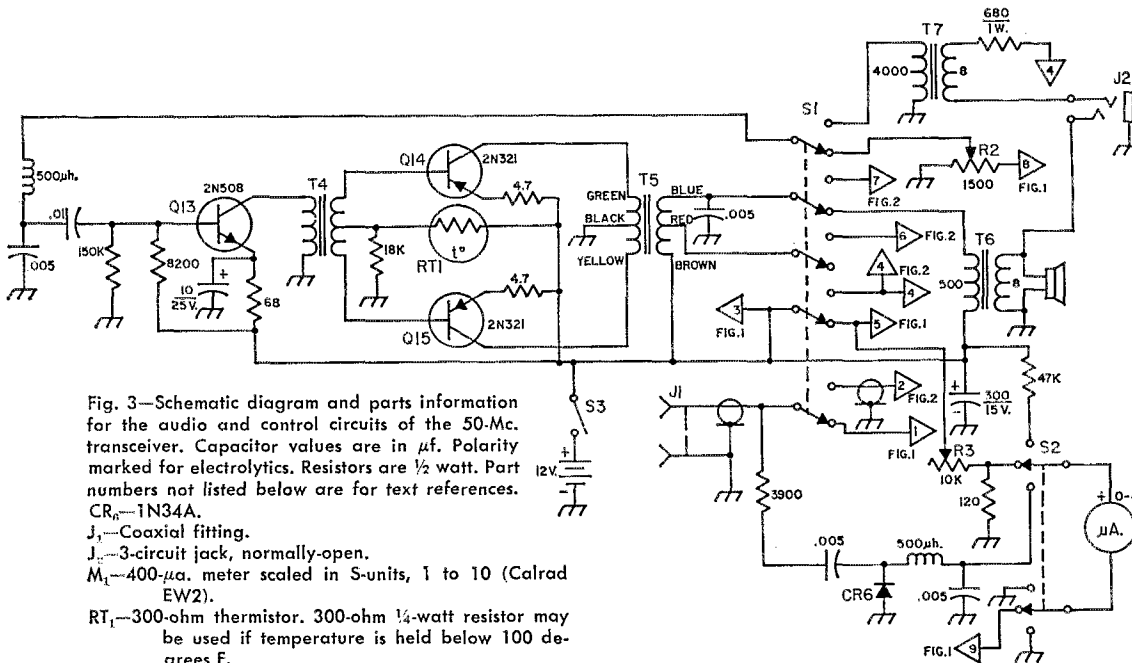


EXCEPT AS INDICATED, DECIMAL VALUES OF CAPACITANCE ARE IN MICROFARADS (μf.); OTHERS ARE IN PICOFARADS (pf. OR μμf.); RESISTANCES ARE IN OHMS; K = 1000.

Fig. 2—Schematic diagram and parts information for the transmitter portion of the 50-Mc. transceiver. All resistors are 1/2 watt.

- C₃, C₄—32-pf. miniature variable (Johnson 160-130).
- C₅—2-20-pf. mica or ceramic trimmer (Elmenco 402 or Centralab 822AZ).
- L₈—11 turns No. 26 enamel on 1/4-inch iron-slug form (Miller 23A000RPC).
- L₉—3 turns over cold end of L₈

- L₁₀—8 turns like L₈, center-tapped.
- L₁₁—2 turns over cold end of L₁₀.
- L₁₂—8 turns No. 20, 1/2-inch diam., 16 t.p.i., tapped at 2 turns (B & W No. 3003).
- L₁₃—4 turns, same as L₉, near RFC end of L₁₂. Can be made from same piece of coil stock.



- Fig. 3—Schematic diagram and parts information for the audio and control circuits of the 50-Mc. transceiver. Capacitor values are in μf. Polarity marked for electrolytics. Resistors are 1/2 watt. Part numbers not listed below are for text references.
- CR₆—1N34A.
 - J₁—Coaxial fitting.
 - J₂—3-circuit jack, normally-open.
 - M₁—400-μa. meter scaled in S-units, 1 to 10 (Calrad EW2).
 - RT₁—300-ohm thermistor. 300-ohm 1/4-watt resistor may be used if temperature is held below 100 degrees F.
 - S₁—5-pole 2-position rotary switch (CTS-IRC series T-200).
 - S₂—2-pole 3-position switch like S₁.
 - S₃—Switch on audio gain control, R₂.
 - T₄—Driver transformer; pri. 10,000 ohms, sec. 1000 ohms, center-tapped (Stancor TA-63, used at half rated impedance).

- T₅—Output transformer, 500 ohms each winding, center-tapped (Stancor TA-52).
- T₆—Output transformer, 500 to 8 ohms (Merit A-3005 or Stancor A8101).
- T₇—Similar to tube-radio output transformer, 4000 to 8 ohms (Stancor A-2203).

erator can be used with the transmitter crystal. Install the i.f. filter crystal in the receiver, and tune in the signal from the generator. Adjust the generator power for moderate S-meter response, and peak the r.f. circuits. Peak C_{21} , preferably on a weak a.m. signal. Check the adjustment of L_{11} for optimum signal-to-noise ratio, if there is any noticeable difference between best S/N and maximum gain.

Transmitter adjustment is simple. Connect power to the oscillator and doubler stages through a 50- or 100-ma. meter. Adjust L_6 until the current jumps up, indicating oscillation. Tune for maximum, so long as it is not over 40 ma., and the oscillator will start every time. Check to be sure that the core slug actually goes through two peaks, indicating that the coil will tune to resonance. Occasionally a coil will appear to tune, when it is merely approaching resonance as the core centers in the winding.

Now connect all three stages through the meter. Connect a No. 47 lamp across L_{12} , and tune the driver collector coil, L_{10} , for maximum current, about 100 ma. Quickly tune the output circuit, C_3 , C_1 , for maximum lamp brilliance. If no light is observed in a maximum time of about 10 seconds, detune the driver to bring the current down to about 70 ma., and continue the attempt. Do not allow the transmitter to draw more than 100 ma. for *any* amount of time, unless the lamp is well lighted, as this could ruin the 2N2217.

Neutralization is done by slowly increasing the capacitance of C_5 , while watching the current meter. At some point there will be a sudden increase in current. Quickly back off the capacitor until the current drops down. Set C_5 so that you can turn the tuning capacitor, C_8 , about 30 degrees farther toward maximum setting than where the output peaks, before the current jumps up. This is only an approximate setting, but it will keep the amplifier stable, and provide excellent modulation characteristics.

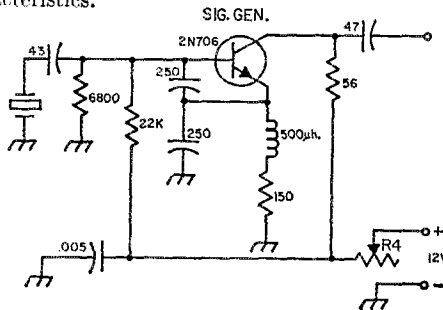


Fig. 4—Schematic diagram of the signal source used for aligning the receiver. The crystals used are those which eventually serve in the i.f. filter and transmitter oscillator.

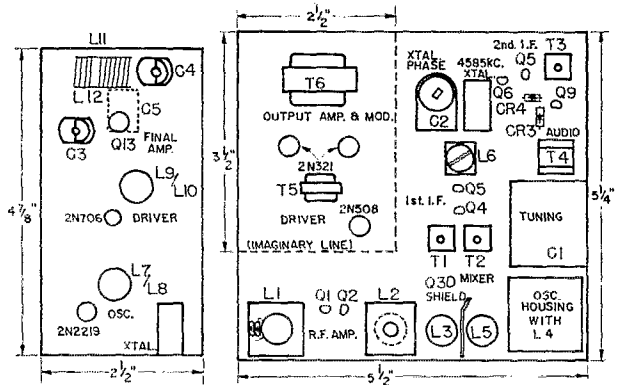


Fig. 5—Approximate mechanical arrangement of components on the two circuit boards used in the 50-Mc. transceiver. The larger contains most of the receiver and audio circuitry. The smaller is the transmitter r.f. unit.

Construction Hints

Anyone who undertakes a project of this kind will very likely have some ideas of his own about how he will do the job, so only basic details and approximate dimensions are given. The transceiver is housed in a 5 by 6 by 9-inch aluminum box (Wycro LU-764) which was anodized on the side used as the front panel. The top was covered with a U-shaped piece, to give a more finished appearance. Batteries are mounted on the bottom plate, in two clips of four each. Removal of the plate allows replacement of batteries and access to the transmitter board and controls.

Nearly all components are mounted on two circuit boards. The receiver and modulator-audio are on one board $5\frac{1}{4}$ by $5\frac{1}{2}$ inches in size. The transmitter r.f. board is $4\frac{7}{8}$ by $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches. Both are mounted with machine screws and brass tubing spacers. The receiver board is mounted to an aluminum plate, which is in turn fastened to the box by angle brackets. This assembly can be removed for adjustment of the receiver circuits, without appreciable change in tuning resulting from changes in stray capacitance. The transmitter board is mounted in a vertical plane on the rear of the box, to allow tuning from the outside.

Approximate parts layouts are given in Fig. 5. There are many other ways the components could be arranged. This project made use of many parts of the junkbox variety that would not be duplicated in another construction job, so there is little point in going into layout in fine detail. There are two important points: isolation of the receiver oscillator circuits, and mechanical stability. It is suggested that the prospective builder collect all parts to be used before doing layout work. Coordinate the board layout with desired panel design. These steps will prevent difficulties that might arise

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Notes On The Heath SB-300/SB-301 And SB-401

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SEVERAL ideas concerning improvements for the SB-300/SB-301 receiver and the SB-401 transmitter have been compiled here to assist any hams who may be experiencing difficulty. Although the two authors worked independently, their efforts have been combined in the preparation of this text to make it as comprehensive as possible.

Spurious Emission

When the Heath SB-401 transmitter is used with either the SB-300 or SB-301 receiver as a transceiver in the c.w. mode, two c.w. signals are radiated simultaneously. The undesired signal is 1 kHz. higher in frequency than the carrier, and although attenuated it is nevertheless discernible.¹ This second signal creates the effect of a modulated c.w. signal.

The source of the undesired signal was traced to the b.f.o. in the receiver which becomes the carrier generator for the SB-401 when used in the transceive mode. The receiver b.f.o. crystal oscillator operates at 3396.4 kHz., whereas the carrier generator used when operating c.w. is at 3395.4 kHz. The 3396.4 kHz. signal is brought into the SB-401 from the SB-300/SB-301 through a coaxial cable, but the continuity of the cable is broken at the mode switch M4R. Enough stray coupling exists in the switch and associated circuitry for this weak r.f. signal to be picked up and radiated as a second keyed signal. Removing the cable between the SB-401 and the SB-301 eliminated the undesired signal and confirmed its source.

The very loose coupling of the b.f.o. output within the receiver makes it possible to ground the b.f.o. output during transmit without having a detrimental effect on the receiver's operation. This suggested a rather simple solution. The mode switch wafer M4R has three contact lugs. Number 1 is used only as a tie point; number 2 is connected to the inner conductor of the coaxial cable going to V2C; number 3 is connected to the inner conductor of the coaxial cable going to the receiver b.f.o. connections. By placing another contact on the M4R wafer at position 4, and grounding this lug, lugs 3 and 4 will be connected when the mode switch is in the c.w. position, thus grounding the receiver b.f.o. input and eliminating the problem.

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¹Tests in the ARRL laboratory showed the undesired signal to be 32 db. below the desired carrier.—*Editor*

Audio Tone Under Key-up Conditions

An annoying a.f. tone is often heard through the SB-300/SB-301 audio system after lengthy transmissions and prolonged key-down periods when the SB-300/SB-301 and the SB-401 are used in the transceive mode. After considerable testing, the cause of this condition was traced to a screen voltage that exists on the 6146 screens in the SB-401 in the key-up condition. When the 6146s were new, this condition did not exist. However, when subjected to some abuse, an electron-emission path is set up between the screen and plate of the 6146 final amplifier tubes. The hotter the tubes get, the greater the emission, and the higher the measured screen voltage during key up. Voltages up to 20 volts have been measured at the 6146 screens in the key-up condition. During receive, this 20 volts is applied to the plate circuit of the carrier generator tube V2B, sufficient to cause the tube to oscillate and beat with the b.f.o. signal in the receiver, producing a 1-kHz. tone.

Curing this problem is no great chore. Contact No. 7 of relay RL1 can be connected directly to ground. This will automatically ground the screens of the 6146s during receive and prevent any voltage from getting back to the carrier generator. Because the relay magnets of relay RL2 are also connected to the 6146 screen circuit, grounding the screens also helps to prevent relay RL2 from sticking.

Relay Problem

Although not a difficulty often encountered, some fellows have noticed that relay RL1 will not drop out properly even with the VOX-delay control set fully counterclockwise when the SB-401 is used in the c.w. mode. A possible explanation of this is that there is excessive leakage through the sidetone oscillator tube V12C in the cutoff state. This signal is coupled to the VOX amplifier V12A by a 7.5-pf. capacitor, C131. Reducing the capacitance of C131 to 2.0 pf. eliminates the problem.

Low Drive During Transceive

When using the SB-300/SB-301 and SB-401 for transceive operation, the heterodyne oscillator signal for the SB-401 is obtained from the SB-300/SB-301. In the SB-401 instruction manual, Heath recommends that the receiver heterodyne oscillator coils should be repeaked when the transceive cables are installed be-

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Ordinary And Processed Speech In S.S.B. Application

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BECAUSE of the high-amplitude peaks in the voice waveform, the natural, unprocessed voice does not provide maximum utilization of an s.s.b. suppressed-carrier communications system. It is quite apparent that many off-the-shelf processing units are becoming available for use with existing transmitters. These units, in one way or another, claim to increase talk power of the s.s.b. transmitter by increasing the average-to-peak levels in the modulation signal and hence in the r.f. envelope. With the apparent increase of interest in the subject, some of the more-simple techniques that are presently employed or are readily applicable are summarized here.

The Fundamental S.S.B. R.F. Envelope

The power developing capability of a given transmitter in single-sideband service depends upon the nature of the signal waveform being transmitted. The most fundamental s.s.b. waveform is generated from a single-frequency audio sine-wave tone. This single tone is translated in the s.s.b. generator to produce a single radio-frequency output.

The term that describes power in an s.s.b. r.f. envelope is *peak envelope power* or simply p.e.p. It is defined as "the average power of the highest amplitude signal measured over one r.f. cycle," or "the mean power developed at the crest of the modulation envelope," in other words, the key-down power developed within allowable distortion limits.

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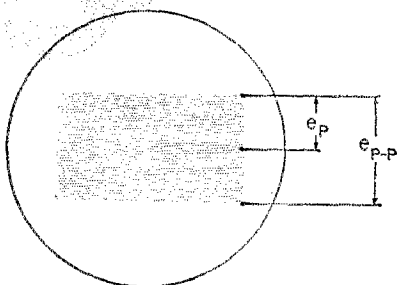


Fig.1—S.s.b. envelope using single-tone modulation, as displayed on an oscilloscope. Power in the envelope (assuming a resistive load) is a time average value, over one r.f. cycle, and is equal to $e_p^2/2R_{load}$. P.e.p.-to-average ratio is 0 db.

It is helpful to review some fundamental relationships which describe an s.s.b. tone-modulated envelope. Such commonly used parameters as peak envelope power (p.e.p.) and instantaneous peak power are defined and described in this text. A description of a speech model (peak-to-average level) in relation to the s.s.b. voice envelope is also offered. Because of the vast amount of published material available on this subject, only a cursory compilation of facts and data can be presented.

As an example, for a given transmitter with four 811As, the maximum single-tone operating level occurs when plate current reaches 700-800 ma. With this value of plate current and a plate voltage of 1600 volts, the r.f. power output is nearly 800 watts with a plate power input of 1250 watts. The r.f. output power is the mean power value (p.e.p.) previously stated. With 800 watts into a 50-ohm load, an r.f. current I_{rf} of 4 amp. r.m.s. will flow. An r.f. voltage E_{rf} of 200 volts r.m.s. is developed across the load.

If one monitors the above r.f. envelope on an oscilloscope connected across the 50-ohm load, the instantaneous r.f. peak-to-peak voltage waveform of Fig. 1 is observed. One half the envelope height is the instantaneous peak envelope voltage; that is, $\sqrt{2} E_{rf}$. In the 811A amplifier above, if $E_{rf} = 200$ volts then obviously the peak voltage is $\sqrt{2} \times 200$. A value of *instantaneous r.f. peak power* can be calculated which is

$$\frac{(\sqrt{2} \times 200)^2}{50} = \frac{2 \times 40000}{50} = 1600 \text{ watts}$$

The instantaneous r.f. peak power is 2 times p.e.p. or 3 db. greater in the s.s.b. envelope.

One quantity of interest remains, the transmitter p.e.p. input power during single-tone modulation. It is simply the d.c. plate voltage \times the d.c. plate current, or in the above example 1600 volts \times 0.780 amp. or 1250 watts. The basic reference values are thus established.

Speech and the S.S.B. Voice Envelope

The ratio of instantaneous peak-to-average power in speech is somewhat dependent upon

the percent of the time that the peak is allowed to be exceeded. For instance, if we can specify that the real peaks of speech can exceed some lower level that we choose to call the "peak" for 1% of the time, then the ratio of instantaneous peak-to-average speech power is about 14.5 db. This figure is for a continuous discourse. It is the figure used as the statistical peak-to-average power ratio, and it is the value used also in the following discussion as the peak-to-average power ratio for *unprocessed speech*.

Now let us apply audio to an s.s.b. transmitter (with a voice waveform such as you would see on a scope placed at the a.f. input) and modulate the transmitter to its p.e.p. capability, as seen in Fig. 2. We find the *peak-to-average power ratio* measured in the *audio signal* is essentially the same as the *p.e.p.-to-average power ratio* in the *s.s.b. voice envelope*. Hence, translating the voice signal to s.s.b. increases the measured voice peak-to-average power ratio by an amount equal to the instantaneous peak-to-average power ratio of the r.f. sine-wave envelope which is 3 db. (see previous section on fundamental r.f. envelope). What this is saying is that a peak-to-average power audio voice waveform of 14.5 db translated to an s.s.b. voice waveform will result in an *instantaneous r.f. peak-to-average power* of 17.5 db. The p.e.p.-to-average power in the r.f. wave remains 14.5 db., a ratio of 28/1.

Employing our above 811A amplifier, again the p.e.p. output is 800 watts. Hence, if we just talk our amplifier to the p.e.p. limit, as would be observed on the r.f. monitor scope by observing instantaneous r.f. peaks, the average r.f. power output P_{out} is 800/28 or nearly 30 watts. This can best be observed by monitoring the r.f. current in a 50-ohm load with a thermocouple r.f. ammeter. It has been assumed in the above discussion that the amplifier supply voltage shows negligible change from minimum-signal to maximum-signal plate current.

The thermocouple r.f. ammeter indicates the r.m.s. value of current for any signal-envelope waveshape. The r.f. current in its varying state with modulation applied should average between $\frac{3}{4}$ to 1 ampere in the above example. Unfortunately, cranking up the mike gain causes linear-amplifier limiting or flat-topping to occur. This does, however, increase the average power output and hence the loudness at the receiving station. Along with this increase in average power comes a broadening of the transmitted bandwidth in the form of distortion products caused by non-linear operation. In an unprocessed-modulation s.s.b. transmitter, generation of the odd-order products by opening up the mike gain becomes annoying to intolerable in adjacent channels rather rapidly.

Speech Processing

If one could increase the average power in the modulation envelope while effectively limiting the modulation envelope at the p.e.p. capability, and minimize adjacent channel interference by reducing the number of generated distortion

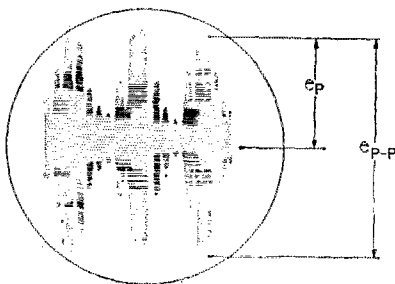


Fig. 2—S.s.b. r.f. envelope using unprocessed voice modulation. P.e.p. is the mean power developed at the crest of the modulation envelope, i.e. $e_p^2/2R_{load}$.

products, then an increase in the transmitter's effectiveness would be obtained. To say it another way, talk power would be increased if the average-to-peak power ratio of the in-band modulation envelope was greater.

In order to increase the average-to-peak power ratio, it is necessary to modify the signal waveform. This inevitably leads to distortion of the voice signal, and reduces intelligibility. One measure of intelligibility is the effective received signal-to-noise ratio. If distortion is treated as if it affects intelligibility the same as noise, then the effective received signal-to-noise ratio is

$$\left[\frac{S}{N} \right]_{eff} = \frac{S_{av}}{(N + D)}$$

where S_{av} = The average sideband power at the receiver.

D = Effective noise power produced by the distortion products of the processor.

N = The average noise power from all other sources.

Since S_{av} and D are both functions of the processor limiting level, intelligibility can be maximized by choosing the proper level of limiting for a given level of noise power N . From this we conclude that the best method of speech processing is the one that gives the greatest increase in talk power with the least distortion.

The most useful way of evaluating the benefits of a processor is to observe the improvement in the speech intelligibility threshold in the presence of noise with the same peak power as the unprocessed signal. Intelligibility threshold is defined as the condition where a connected discourse is just barely understandable in the presence of white noise which is limited to the signal bandwidth. Thus intelligibility threshold improvement, or ITI, may be defined as the effective signal-to-noise ratio with processing, to the signal-to-noise ratio without processing. From the above, it then follows that the intelligibility threshold improvement, ITI, may be expressed by

$$ITI \text{ (in db.)} = 10 \log_{10} \frac{S_{av}}{S_{0av}} - 10 \log_{10} \frac{(N + D)}{N}$$

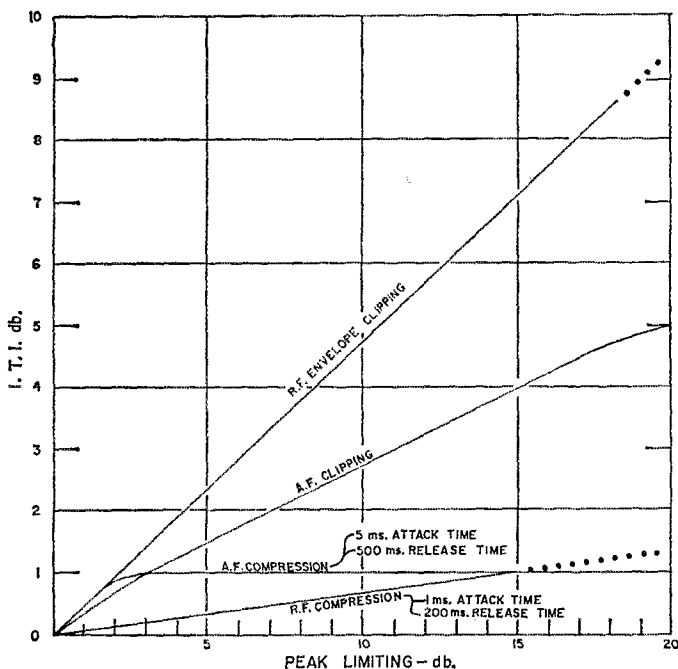


Fig. 3—Comparison of effectiveness of simple speech processing techniques applied to s.s.b. transmission. Typical compression and release times are indicated.

where S_{av} = average sideband power at the receiver without processing. Since S_{av} and N are considered as constant and equal bases for all systems, we conclude that the best method of speech processing (i.e. the method yielding the greatest ITI) is the one that maximizes the ratio of S_{av}/D .

Note that the above threshold improvement *cannot* be directly measured by the receiver S-meter. An increased S-meter (i.e. average) reading is in response to greater average sideband power at the receiver which also includes quantity D produced by processor limiting. A simple means of measuring ITI is by the use of a calibrated attenuator at the station receiver antenna input. The received test signal, with the processor switched out, is reduced to the threshold level where it becomes barely understandable. The processor is then switched in and the test signal is now reduced further by the attenuator to where it again becomes barely understandable. The increase in attenuation is thus a reasonable value for ITI.

Fig. 3 shows a comparison of four methods of speech processing used in s.s.b. work. This figure illustrates the intelligibility threshold improvement *vs.* db. of peak limiting in single-sideband speech. The r.f. compressor has a 1-ms. attack time and 200-ms. release time, which is typical of a.l.c. circuits. As these time constants are shortened, the a.l.c. circuit ultimately approaches that of r.f. clipping. The audio compressor's attack time is of the order of 5 ms., and it has a release time of 500 ms. As these time constants are shortened, the performance approaches that of an audio clipper.

Speech Clipping

Investigations have shown that speech remains intelligible under conditions of heavy peak clipping or what is termed infinite clipping. This process retains only the zero crossovers and all envelope amplitude information is therefore destroyed. The fact that infinitely clipped speech is recognizable at all may be surprising until it is remembered that speech sounds consist of the fundamental frequency plus harmonics. Clipping will produce more harmonics which may upset the original harmonic structure of the sound, however not enough to destroy recognition of the original harmonic relationship of the sound.

It may be recalled that s.s.b. has been criticized in the past for its theoretical inability to transmit an audio square wave. Such would require an infinite amplitude capability, infinite bandwidth, and preservation of amplitude and phase relationships. In any practical modulation system, bandwidth is limited, and this reduces the required s.s.b. p.e.p.-to-average power ratio. This is particularly true when filtering is incorporated after clipping to restore original signal bandwidth. Table I illustrates the important relationships.

Clipping may also be accomplished at s.s.b. r.f. or i.f. frequencies. This has the advantage that fewer in-band distortion products are created for a given amount of clipping, as harmonic distortion would then appear at multiples of the r.f. frequency. An r.f. filter following the clipper is necessary to maintain original bandwidth.

A.F. Clipping

Consider a speech wave that is infinitely clipped at audio frequencies, band-limited from

300-2700 Hz. and is used to modulate an s.s.b. transmitter. With an r.f. passband of $f_c + 300$ to $f_c + 2700$ Hz., the highest harmonic retained is the ninth; $2700/300 = 9$. From Table I, the p.e.p.-to-average power ratio of the s.s.b. envelope will not exceed 2.7/1 or 4.3 db. This would result in an increased average power output of 14.5 db. - 4.3 db. = 10.2 db. Again in the example of the 811A amplifier, the measured output with speech clipping, using the r.f. thermocouple ammeter and load resistance technique would be about 300 watts (2.4+ amp.).

Observing the above transmitted signal from the receiver side, it was shown experimentally that 15 db. of clipping (with a relatively constant level speech) improves the speech intelligibility threshold by nearly 4 db. Increasing the clipping level to 25 db. gives an additional 1.5 db. improvement. Fig. 3 shows about 5 db. improvement with 20 db. of clipping. The intelligibility threshold improvement is less than the 10 db. gain, and it is evident that the distortion produced degrades the intelligibility about the same as noise.

R.F. Clipping

Infinite clipping of the s.s.b. signal followed by only enough filtering to remove the r.f. harmonics would give a p.e.p.-to-average power ratio of nearly 0 db. The result would approximate a constant-amplitude frequency-modulated r.f. sine wave. Increased filtering to remove out-of-band intermodulation distortion products will raise the p.e.p.-to-average power ratio toward 3 db. Like a.f. clipping the intelligibility threshold improvement is less than the theoretical gain in average-to-p.e.p. ratio of the transmitter. The expected improvement in intelligibility threshold if no distortion masking is present is: 14.5 db. - 3 db. = 11.5 db. In the example of the 811A amplifier the measured power output with r.f. speech clipping using the thermocouple ammeter technique is in the region of 400 watts (3 db. less than p.e.p. capability). The r.f. ammeter would indicate a level of 2.8 amp. under these conditions.

Evaluation of s.s.b. clipping from the receive side with constant-level speech, and filtering to restore the original bandwidth, results in an

improved intelligibility threshold of 4.5 db. with the clipping threshold set 10 db. below the signal peak. Increasing the clipping level to 18 db. gives an additional 4 db. improvement, or 8.5 db. total increase. The difference between expected and measured intelligibility threshold value is less with s.s.b. clipping than with the earlier discussed audio clipping. This verifies that distortion produced by r.f. clipping is less than that caused by a.f. clipping.

Speech Compression

Because of the syllabic character of speech, it would seem that an optimum compression system could operate to maintain a flat envelope. Peak volume compression acts much like delayed a.g.c. and is capable of producing a flat output once the compression threshold is exceeded. Ideally, the flat part of the compression characteristic should have a range of 35 to 40 db. Practically however, background noise very often reduces the range of the lower limit of the input. Compression much beyond 20 db. with high background noise will offer little improvement.

Compression may be accomplished at audio frequencies or at the s.s.b. transmitter's r.f. or i.f. amplifiers. In practice, fast attack a.g.c. is desired to prevent overshoot on steep voice wavefront signals (1 ms. or less). Too slow a release means the a.g.c. cannot follow rapidly decaying syllables. The d.c. control voltage does not change appreciably from one cycle to the next. Weak syllables following a strong one are then also compressed.

A.F. Compression

A common a.f. compression attack time is in the region of 10 ms. and release time in the order of 300 ms. In order to follow the envelope of speech, considerably shorter attack and release times are necessary for an effectively improved intelligibility threshold. The ideal attack time for a syllabic compressor's a.g.c. loop should be 1 ms. or less. The release time should be faster than 10 ms. Difficulties arise with such a fast release time constant, as feedback by the a.g.c. line can be regenerative or degenerative depending on the phase shift in the control loop.

Slow time constant compression is valuable for maintaining relatively constant average volume speech, but such a compressor adds little to the intelligibility threshold at the receiver, only about 1-2 db.

The faster time constant syllabic compressor, on the other hand, can give up to 5-5½ db. improvement in the intelligibility threshold. This level requires a rather high degree of peak compression, between 25-40 db. As is shown in Fig. 3 the intelligibility threshold improvement of audio compression ultimately will approach that of audio clipping. Then the speech compressor behaves just like a clipper with the same threshold because the output waveshape is identical. The amount of distortion produced is the same

TABLE I
Relationship of Power in a Band-limited Square Wave and its S.S.B. Envelope

| A.F. Square Wave | | S.S.B. Envelope P.E.P./Av. Pwr. | |
|------------------|---------------|------------------------------------|-----|
| Maximum Harmonic | Pk./Av. Power | Ratio | Db. |
| Fifth | 1.5 | 2.0 | 3.0 |
| Seventh | 1.47 | 2.4 | 3.8 |
| Ninth | 1.46 | 2.7 | 4.3 |
| Fifteenth | 1.4 | 3.4 | 5.3 |

as that produced by conventional clipping with the same limiting threshold.

R.F. Compression

S.s.b. transmitters generally utilize converters to translate the audio frequencies up to an r.f. band. After translation, the r.f. s.s.b. signal is linearly amplified by class A and class B stages to the required power level. Examination of the envelope of the r.f. signal for s.s.b. speech shows a variation in amplitude at the syllabic rate not too unlike that of the envelope of the speech.

The most common type of speech processing presently employed in today's s.s.b. transmitters is a.l.c. (automatic load or level control). This form of processor has been employed over the last 10-12 years. It has found wide acceptance in maintaining the peak r.f. output of the transmitter at a relatively constant level when the modulation varies over a considerable range. Present a.l.c. systems by nature of their design time constants offer a limited increase in transmitted average-to-p.e.p. power ratio. A value in the region of 2-5½ db. is typical.

In the example of the 311A amplifier, the measured power output, using the thermocouple-ammeter technique, is increased to the region of 45-100 watts. The r.f. ammeter would indicate an average level between 1-1½ amp. r.m.s. under these conditions. Examining the above transmitted signal from the receiver side, 15 db. of peak a.l.c. improves the intelligibility threshold by 1 db. to as much as 3 db. The intelligibility threshold improvement is again less than the transmitted increase, as was noted in the preceding processing techniques.

An r.f. syllabic compressor can be made to function in the i.f. stages of the transmitter. Sufficient a.g.c. is employed to flatten out the amplifier output characteristic above the threshold. This requires not only fast attack to follow the envelope rise but also fast decay to follow the fall of the envelope. The frequency ratio between the r.f. s.s.b. voice signal and the voice syllabic rate is of course much greater than the ratio between the voice signal (audio) and the syllabic rate. Gain control time constants can be made much faster without the hazard of regenerative signal feedback and resultant severe distortion and even oscillation.

An r.f. syllabic compressor will naturally initiate distortion of the s.s.b. envelope in relation to the voice signal. Harmonic distortion generated in the r.f. envelope will of course be in multiples of the r.f. frequency and therefore lie outside the r.f. passband. No even-order distortion products will appear in the output. This has the advantage that fewer in-band distortion products are created for a given level of compression. An r.f. filter in the output removes IM-distortion products falling outside the original passband.

With such circuit application and oper-

ating in the region of 40 db. peak compression, the intelligibility threshold for constant level speech can be made to improve nearly 6 db. This compares with the 8.5 db. improvement obtained by nearly 20 db. of r.f. clipping followed by filtering.

Since clipping produces as good a result as compression, why is r.f. compression considered in view of its greater complexity? For a given improvement in marginal intelligibility the r.f. compressed wave has about 6 db. less third-order IM-distortion and about 12 db. less fifth-order IM-distortion than the r.f. clipped wave. Thus, under nonmarginal conditions the r.f. compressed signal should have the better quality.

Conclusion

From the previous discussion it is seen that speech processing increases transmitted average-to-p.e.p. power, thereby improving the intelligibility threshold. This has been determined experimentally in actual communications set-ups by careful examination of what is presented as intelligibility in the receiver output.

Audio clippers (and fast syllabic a.f. compressors) add harmonic distortion as well as intermodulation distortion in the signal passband; r.f. clippers (and fast syllabic r.f. compressors) generate harmonic distortion at frequencies that

TABLE II
Parameters of Described Speech Processing Methods.

NOTE: unprocessed speech is given in text as having a peak-to-average power ratio of 14.5 db. Values marked by asterisk* are approximate from author's measurements and observations.

| Processing Technique | Processor Peak Limiting Db. | Transmitter Gain in An.-To-P.E.P. Output Db. | Intelligibility Threshold Improvement ITI, Db. |
|--|-----------------------------|--|--|
| A.F. Clipping (300-2700 Hz. band-pass) | 25 | 10.2 | 5½ |
| | 15 | 7.5* | 4 |
| Common A.F. Compression (Slow time constant) | 20 | — | 1 |
| Syllabic A.F. Comp. (300-2700 Hz. band-pass) | 25-40 | 8-10* | 5-5½ |
| A.L.C. (Fast attack time, slow release time) | 15 | 2-5½ | 1-3 |
| R.F. Clipping (300-2700 Hz. band-pass) | 18 | 11.5 | 8.5 |
| | 10 | 6* | 4.5 |
| R.F. Syllabic Compression (Fast attack and release time) | 40 | — | 6 |

are multiples of the r.f. filter frequency and are therefore rejected. Only odd-order products falling within the filter passband will appear in the output. Hence for these reasons, r.f. processors "sound better" than do a.f. processors.

In the absence of noise, speech processing (r.f. or a.f.) changes the character of the sound. Hard limiting produces noticeable distortion. Low-level sounds on most consonants have an increased prominence. Breath sounds and background noise also assume greater significance. Use of large amounts of clipping or syllabic compression makes a noise cancelling microphone a very desirable item to suppress ambient background noise.

Listed in Table II is a summary of parameters for the processing techniques previously described. A conclusion readily drawn from observing Table II is that the greatest intelligibility threshold improvement is obtained from an r.f. clipper employing about a 20 db. clipping level. Intelligibility threshold values are justified on empirical grounds. Caution should be exercised in extrapolating results; e.g., if a.f. and r.f. compression are employed together, only the larger improvement factor should be considered as they are not directly additive.

Today most of the speech processing is taking place outboard from the transmitter or by adapters incorporated into existing equipment. Solid-state devices lend themselves ideally in the design of effective compact units. From this it seems only logical to presume as well that the next generation of s.s.b. equipment will have speech processing (other than just a.l.c.) included in the design concept.

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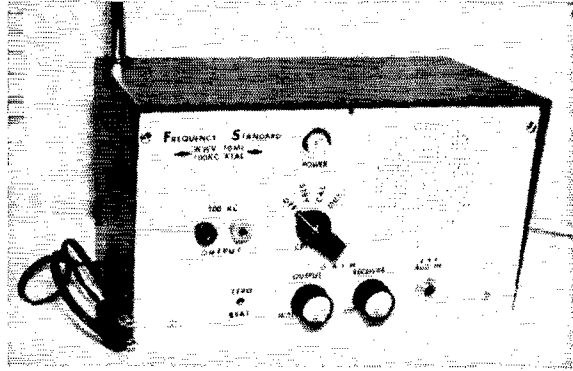
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With the ever increasing number of hamband-only receivers, WWV reception is often a problem. This article not only describes a simple WWV receiver, but a 100-kc. calibrator, all in one box.

Completed unit in homemade cabinet. The 100-kc. output jacks J_2 , J_3 are mounted to the left of the function switch S_2 located in the center of the panel. Just below J_3 is a hole through which C_3 may be adjusted for zeroing with WWV. R_2 is mounted below S_2 . R_1 is mounted to the right of R_2 . The external audio input jack, J_1 , is mounted below the speaker. The whip antenna is visible in the left rear corner of the box.



A 10-Mc. WWV Receiver and Crystal Calibrator In One Box

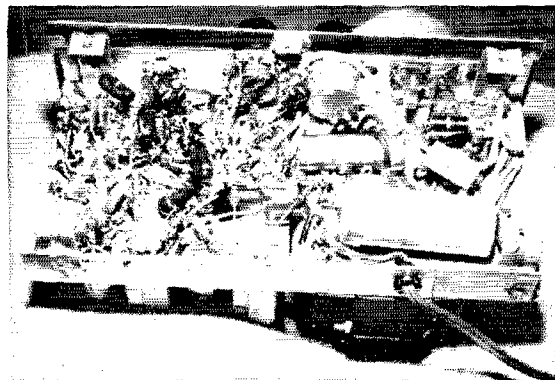
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AFTER many years as a ham I still wanted a WWV receiver and calibration oscillator in one package. The circuit that I finally used is a collection of various design ideas and some cut and try experimentation. To hold down the cost many junkbox parts were used, but all the components may be purchased through electronic parts suppliers if the builder desires.

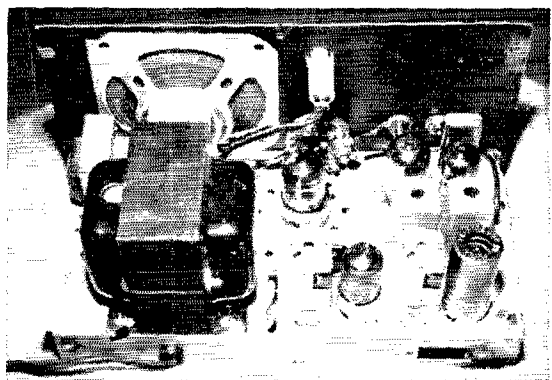
Circuit

Fig. 1 schematically represents the combination 10-Mc. WWV receiver and 100-kc. calibrator. Basically the receiver is a fixed tuned, 455-kc. i.f., superheterodyne. A 6BZ6 is used as an r.f. amplifier. Either a collapsible whip or

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Bottom view of the chassis. Note that point to point wiring is used in the entire project. The large capacitor visible above the line cord entry point is a dual section electrolytic capacitor used in the power supply circuit.



Top view of the chassis. T_4 is mounted in the upper left corner of the chassis. I_1 is mounted to the right of the speaker. The 100-kc. crystal, Y_1 , is visible in the upper right corner of the chassis. V_2 is mounted directly in front of the crystal.

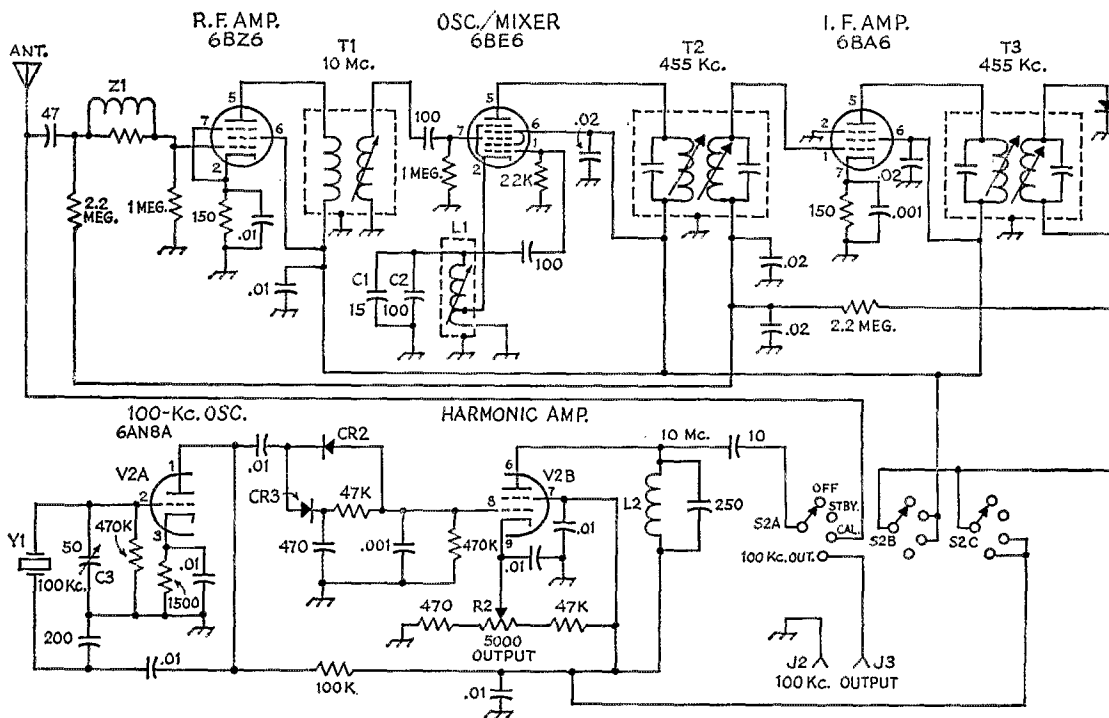


Fig. 1—Schematic diagram of 10-Mc. WWV receiver and 100-kc. calibrator. Unless otherwise indicated, capacitors are 1000-volt disk ceramic, resistors are $\frac{1}{2}$ watt. Capacitors marked with polarity are electrolytic. L_1 and T_1 are mounted in Miller S-33 shield cans. Control grid of 6BZ6 r.f. amplifier is pin 1.

- C_1 —15-pf., N750 ceramic (Centralab type TCN).
 C_2 —100-pf., NPO ceramic (Centralab type TCZ).
 C_3 —50-pf. midget variable (Hammarlund MAPC -50).

- CR_1 —1N295.
 CR_2, CR_3 —1N34.
 CR_4 —500 p.i.v. 750 ma. silicon diode.

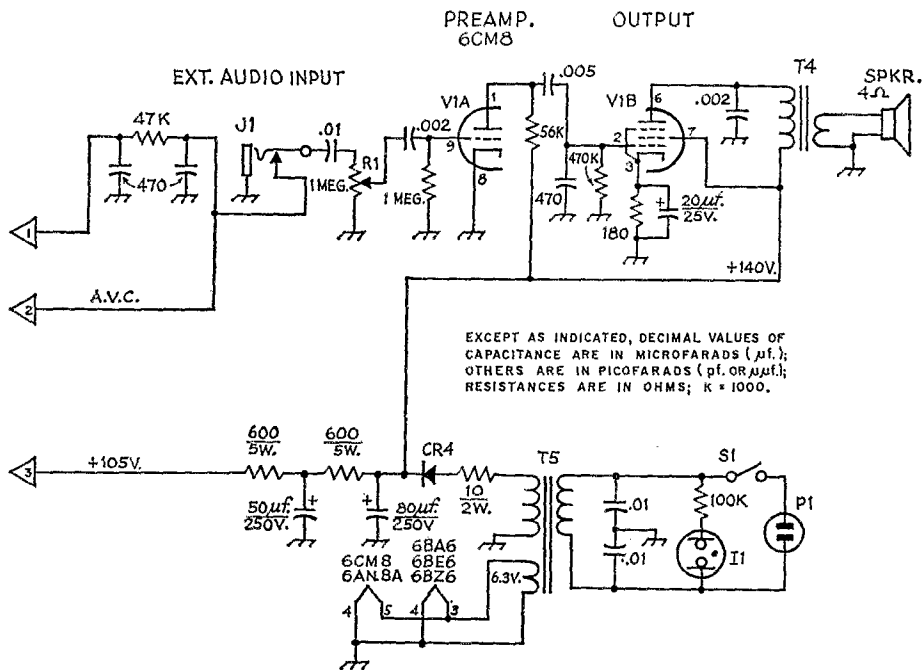
short length of hook-up wire may be used as an antenna. A parasitic suppressor, Z_1 , has been included to minimize the chance of v.h.f. oscillations. Following the r.f. stage is a 6BE6 oscillator-mixer. The tuned circuit comprised of C_1 , C_2 , and L_1 determines the oscillator frequency. Because the receiver is fixed tuned, the oscillator must be very stable if WWV is to remain tuned in. To minimize oscillator drift, temperature compensation has been employed. The values of C_1 and C_2 specified represent those values that minimized drift for the author. Other builders may have to do some experimentation in order to obtain satisfactory results. A single 6BA6 i.f. amplifier and diode detector complete the receiver's r.f. circuitry.

A.g.c. voltage is obtained following the detector to limit the gain of the r.f. and i.f. amplifiers when a strong signal is being received. A 6CM8 is used as the audio section of the receiver; the triode section functions as a pre-amplifier while the pentode section is the audio output stage. R_1 controls the gain of the audio amplifier. As an added feature, the audio section may be used with external a.f. sources plugged in at J_1 . With an external signal ap-

plied to J_1 , the audio from the receiver's detector circuit is automatically disconnected.

The 100-kc. oscillator and harmonic amplifier circuits are the same as those which appeared in several editions of the *Handbook*. Capacitor C_3 permits the oscillator signal to be zeroed to WWV for calibration purposes. CR_2 and CR_3 have been included to enrich the harmonic output from the oscillator. The output of the harmonic amplifier is fixed tuned to 10 Mc. R_2 controls the output level of the harmonic amplifier.

A single transformer, T_3 , supplies all the required operating voltages. The d.c. operating voltage is obtained from a half-wave supply using an RC filter. S_2 is the function switch. In the off position only the audio section of the receiver is activated. When in the standby position the receiver circuitry is completely operational. Putting S_2 in the calibrate position activates both the 100-kc. oscillator and the receiver. It is in this position that the 100-kc. oscillator's frequency may be checked against that of WWV. In the 100-kc. output position, the calibrator signal is applied to J_2 and J_3 while the receiver section is made inoperative.



- I_1 —Neon indicator.
- J_1 —Phone jack, closed circuit.
- J_2 , J_3 —Banana jack.
- L_1 —Approx. 2.4 μ h. (Miller C-5496-C).
- L_2 —1.0 μ h. r.f. choke.
- P_1 —A.c. line plug.
- R_1 —1-meg., audio taper, $\frac{1}{2}$ -watt control.
- R_2 —5000-ohm, linear taper, $\frac{1}{2}$ -watt control.
- S_1 —S.p.s.t., mounted on R_1 .
- S_2 —3-pole 4-position non-shorting rotary switch (Malory 3234J).

- T_1 —5-15 Mc. coil (Miller C-5495-RF).
- T_2 —455-kc. i.f. input transformer (Miller 12-C9).
- T_3 —455-kc. i.f. output transformer (Miller 12-C10).
- T_4 —10K to voice coil output transformer (Knight 54 E-1448 or equivalent).
- T_5 —135 v. at 110 ma., 125 v. at 40 ma. (not used), 6.3 v. at 2 amp. (Burstin-Applebee 13B114).
- Y_1 —100-kc. crystal.
- Z_1 —7 turns No. 22 space-wound on 47-ohm $\frac{1}{2}$ -watt composition resistor.

Construction and Alignment

The entire project was built into a home-made box and chassis. Any chassis on which all the parts can be mounted should be fine as there is nothing critical about construction details. With good planning as to the placement of parts, everything should fit nicely on a $9 \times 5 \times 2$ -inch chassis.

One word of caution—make sure that the 0.001- μ f. bypass capacitor from pin 7 of the 6BA6 i.f. amplifier is grounded directly to a solder lug using very short leads. This will help prevent any oscillation in this stage.

To check the operation of the combination receiver and calibrator initially, it is helpful to know that power is being supplied to the unit; make sure that the filaments light and that there is B-plus voltage. To begin alignment put the function switch S_2 in the standby position. Peak the i.f. transformers T_2 and T_3 for maximum noise output. The transformers won't require much adjustment as they are preset at the factory. If a modulated signal generator is available it may be used for alignment purposes. With the generator set to 10 Mc. and

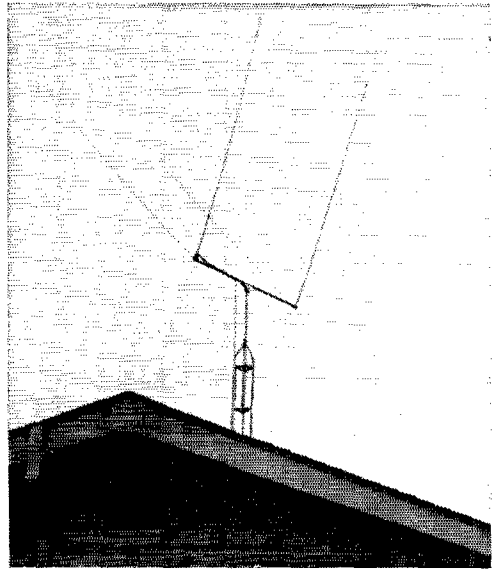
coupled to the antenna, vary L_1 until the signal is received. Either 10.455 Mc. or 9.545 Mc. may be selected as the oscillator frequency; the selection as to which one is best is determined primarily by which frequency results in the least amount of image difficulties. Once the oscillator frequency has been set, T_1 may be peaked. If a modulated generator isn't available, the oscillator coil L_1 can be adjusted until WWV is tuned in. This really isn't so difficult as the 9.5- to 9.8-Mc. shortwave broadcast band can be used as a guide. T_1 can be adjusted for maximum audio output when WWV is transmitting a modulated carrier. Even if a signal generator was used, the final setting of L_1 may have to be varied slightly to get WWV tuned in. With all test signals removed and when WWV is transmitting an unmodulated carrier, the 100-kc. oscillator may be calibrated by varying C_3 when S_2 is in the calibrate position.

For a few evenings work and a little expense this very handy piece of equipment can be built. I've gotten a lot of fun out of this little gadget and I hope you will too!

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The HRH Delta-Loop Beam

A New Idea In Parasitic Beam Construction



This is a 10-meter, 2-element Delta Loop that is very similar in construction to the antenna described in the article.

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THE evolution and design of the antenna shown in the photographs came about primarily because of my lack of confidence in the mechanical durability of quads. Anyone who has ever built and used quads knows how difficult it is to keep them up in icing and high wind conditions.

Being an old-time mechanic, I felt there had to be a better design for an antenna that used full-wave elements in a parasitic array, so some years ago a start was made to find that better design. One thing that nearly all readers will agree is that Mother Nature is about the best designer there is. Along these lines, just observe the growth of branches on tree limbs. You'll find that many of the smaller branches will grow up in a semivertical pattern from the limb; see Fig. 1. It takes a considerable amount of icing and wind to break such branches, indicating the soundness of the design. This same idea should apply to elements mounted on a boom.

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Here's an antenna that should excite the interest of the amateur fraternity. The Delta-Loop beam has all the features of a quad without many of the disadvantages.

To test the idea, an element of aluminum tubing was mounted on a boom. The element was mounted as shown in Fig. 3. The boom was then secured to the family car with the element in a vertical position. The assembly was then tested at 65- to 75-m.p.h. Even though the element was only secured to the boom as shown in Fig. 3, there was no "set" or permanent bending. This test opened the door to several possibilities in beam design.

A loop aerial can take many shapes. Anyone who studies the history of the quad will find that many different configurations have been used. Why not use a triangle? ¹ It should be possible to achieve a very good design using a vertical triangle. See Fig. 2. This shape appears ideal for a beam with full-wave elements, and has most of the advantages of the quad without many of the disadvantages. This led to the construction of several antennas of the type shown in the photographs, and some of these advantages become quickly apparent.

First, the entire antenna is *above* the boom. Second, the antenna is constructed primarily of aluminum tubing, which provides extra strength as compared with wire elements. Third, the antenna has Plumber's Delight type construc-

¹ A triangular loop configuration also was described in *QST* in April, 1968, "Technical Correspondence" by Norman Watson, W6DL, independently of K8ANV's design. Mr. Habig has been working for some years on this design and has a patent pending. — Editor.

tion, meaning that the antenna is at ground potential for lightning protection, plus the fact that this type construction lends itself to gamma matching of the feed point, eliminating the need for a balun. Last, but not least, we find the antenna is very attractive in its symmetry. Of course, the important point is how well does the antenna perform?

Several 10-meter models have been tested and the unit shown in the roof-mounted position is my present 20-meter Delta Loop. Using a gamma match with 50-ohm coaxial feed, a 10-meter model was matched at 28.8 MHz. The antenna consisted of a driven element plus reflector with the elements spaced $6\frac{1}{2}$ feet apart, or approximately 0.2 wavelength. Surprisingly, the antenna was extremely flat across the entire 10-meter band, the worst mismatch being *less* than 1.2 to 1.²

I have no means of measuring gain or front-to-back ratios. However, with the spacing and element sizes the same as a quad, the gain should be the same, or at least so close the difference would be insignificant. On-the-air tests have shown the antenna to be as good as or better than quads I have had up. Front-to-back and front-to-side reports have been outstanding, both on ground wave and skip.

Element Lengths

Many tests have been made on driven elements to determine the effect of element lengths on s.w.r. It was found that the flattest curve was obtained with a formula of $\frac{1005}{f_{MHz}}$ (feet) for the driven element. The reflector should be about 3 percent longer, or $\frac{1030}{f_{MHz}}$. If directors are desired it would

²Editors note: A 10-meter model of the Delta Loop beam tested at A.R.R.L. Headquarters was matched at 28.8 MHz, and an s.w.r. curve was made using a Bird Wattmeter. The largest mismatch also was less than 1.2 to 1 MHz. (at 29.7 MHz.).

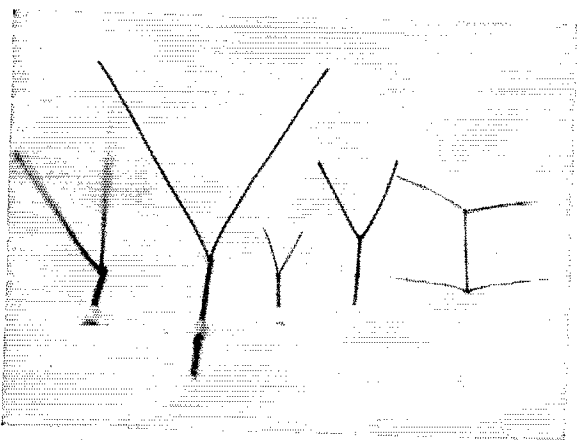


Fig. 1—The basic idea for the Delta Loop beam was conceived from the growth of tree limbs and branches. Here is just a few of nature's configurations that lend themselves to antenna design!

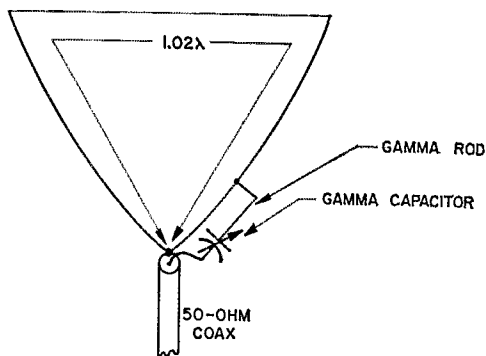


Fig. 2—This drawing shows the driven element and feed method of the Delta Loop. Tests have shown that the overall length of the antenna is slightly longer than a wavelength (1.02λ). Each side of the antenna is approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ wavelength long. The top, or wire section, is made slightly shorter to put tension on the vertical members.

Bill of Materials

- Tubing used is 6061 T6.
- 4—12-foot lengths of $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch o.d., 0.035 wall (elements).
 - 1—12-foot length $1\frac{3}{4}$ -inch o.d., 0.065 wall (boom).
 - 8— $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch diameter stainless steel hose clamps.
 - 1—9-inch length of $\frac{3}{8}$ -inch o.d. by $\frac{5}{16}$ -inch i.d.
 - 1—9-inch length of $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch o.d. to slide over $\frac{3}{8}$ -inch section.
 - 25 feet of copper wire No. 12 or 14, or equivalent in stranded wire.

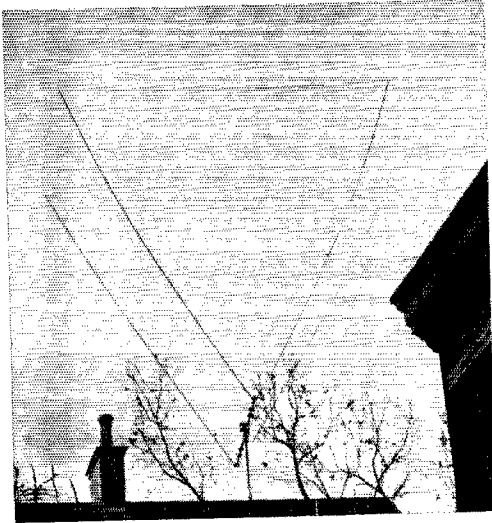
appear that a length three percent shorter than the driven element would be adequate. As to element spacing, I have long been an advocate of wide spacing (0.17 to 0.2 wavelength) whenever possible. In the 10-meter tests 0.2 wavelength spacing was used.

For those readers that are interested, I have included complete construction information on a 10-meter model, including list of the required tubing.

Construction Notes

Fig. 3 shows the method of mounting the element tubing to the boom. The angle between the semi-vertical elements is shown as 75 degrees but this can vary a few degrees either way without any appreciable effect on the performance of the array. It is difficult to drill and line up the element support holes in the boom and come out to *exactly* 75 degrees.

There are a couple of methods of making the holes in the boom to hold the elements. One of the simplest is to use a Greenlee-type chassis punch. This makes a clean hole in the boom.



Here is our roof mounted 20-meter Delta Loop beam that is now undergoing a series of tests.

Another method is to drill holes large enough to take the end of a $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch reamer and then ream out the holes to the necessary diameter.

One not accustomed to working with angles might find it difficult to drill holes at a 75-degree angle. A simple method is to first drill holes to take a single element. Next, make a jig from a piece of stiff cardboard or similar material, using a protractor to get the 75-degree angle. Then insert the single element into the boom and lay the jig along the element; this will give you the correct alignment for the other element.

The elements are inserted through the boom just far enough to take a cotter pin on the underside of the boom. On the top side, a hose clamp is used to hold the element to the boom and prevent slippage. A length of copper wire can be wrapped around both elements just below the clamp to insure a good contact between the elements and the boom. Hose clamps are also used at the tops of the elements to hold the horizontal wire.

Fig. 4 shows the details of the gamma matching section. The gamma section is made up from the inner conductor of the coax, including its insula-

tion, and two sections of telescoping aluminum tubing. The outer covering and braid is removed from a 52-inch length of RG-8/U coax. In Fig. 4, a male coax fitting is shown with a short length of braid, 2 inches long, which is grounded to the boom via a clamp and bracket. If desired, a chassis-type coax fitting, type SO-239, could be mounted on the boom with a small metal bracket. The capacitor section is made of two lengths of tubing, $\frac{3}{8}$ -inch, and $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch diameter, respectively, and both 9 inches long. The $\frac{3}{8}$ -inch tubing fits over the insulation around the coax inner conductor while the $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch tubing slides over the $\frac{3}{8}$ -inch material. The larger tube is drilled and tapped to take a locking screw. Spacing of the section from the element is 3 inches.

In adjusting the gamma, figures given in Fig. 4 can be used as a guide. In order to avoid matching errors, the gamma should be adjusted with the s.w.r. bridge right at the beam. Set the shorting bar to the dimension given in the diagram and slide the $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch tubing over the smaller tubing, looking for a setting that gives

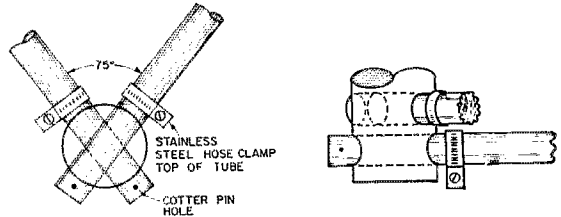


Fig. 3—This drawing shows the method of mounting the element to the boom. A cotter pin is used on the under side of the boom and a hose clamp on the top to hold the element securely to the boom.

a match. If one cannot be obtained, move the shorting bar and sliding tubing assembly a short distance, say an inch, and then try different settings of the $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch tubing until you find a match. We found that the settings were not critical in getting a match. Once the beam is matched, the regular feed line to the station can be attached to the feed point. The connection should be taped to prevent moisture from getting into the fitting and coax.

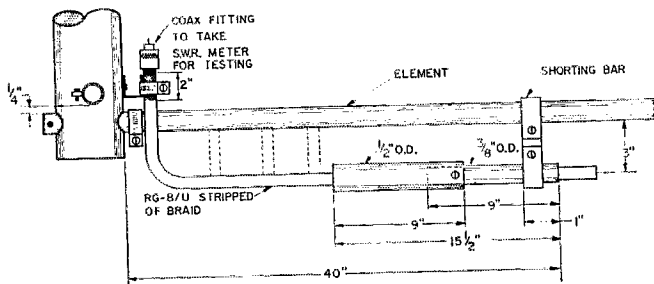


Fig. 4—Here are the details on the gamma-matching section. As mentioned in the text, the coax fitting can be a female type, SO-239, mounted on a small bracket which is mounted on the boom. Spacing insulators for spacing the gamma line from the element can be made up from pieces of Lucite or Plexiglass.

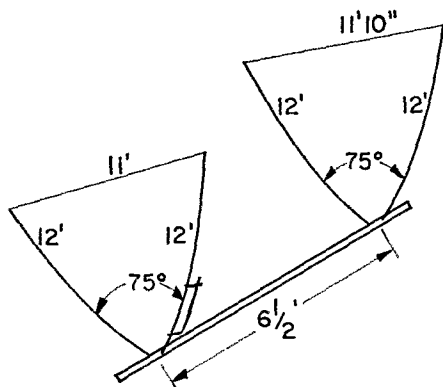


Fig. 5—For those interested in exact figures, this sketch provides the element and boom lengths for a Delta Loop beam for 28.8 MHz.

As stated earlier, the antenna is extremely flat across the entire 10-meter band. The present model was designed for 28.8 MHz. and matched at this frequency. The s.w.r. at the highest point, at 29.7 MHz., was about 1.2 to 1. This dropped to 1 to 1 at about 29 MHz. and stayed at 1 to 1 all the way down to 28 MHz. This feature of the antenna certainly is a help when using a transceiver designed for 50-ohm output. The beam has proved its ruggedness through winds and icing conditions. All in all, we think the Delta-Loop beam is one of best performers we have seen. QST

● *Beginner and Novice*

The Delta Loop Beam On 15

Constructional Information on A New Antenna

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THE Delta Loop beam described in the previous article appears to be ideal for the more ambitious Novice or General who is interested in 15-meter operation. Some of the features of the 15-meter beam described in this article include a very low s.w.r. across the entire band, use of readily available materials, "Plumber's Delight" type construction — which is always an appealing feature of any beam antenna — and last but not least, excellent performance. On the last point, the antenna shown in the photographs was tested during a DX contest with a transmitter input power of 100 watts. The boom of the antenna was mounted only eight feet above the ground, but in about five hours of contest operation 58 different countries were worked — and, believe it or not, the majority of the reports received were 5-9. Possibly conditions were above par, but even so the antenna shows it can do a real job under crowded band conditions.

As stated above, the beam uses Plumber's Delight type construction. For the newcomer's information, this type of construction has the antenna elements connected directly to the boom which in turn can be connected directly to earth ground without having any effect on the performance of the antenna. This is desirable because of the lightning protection offered by the system.

Fig. 1 is a drawing of the Delta Loop driven element. The overall length around the driven element is slightly over one wavelength. Each

side is approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ wavelength long. The reason we say "approximately" is that the top section of the antenna is made of wire and is slightly shorter than $\frac{1}{2}$ wavelength in order to put tension on the wire. A gamma-match feed system is used, eliminating the need for a balun.

The formula used in figuring the driven element length is $\frac{1005}{f_{\text{MHz}}}$, where f is the desired resonant frequency of the driven element. The answer will be in feet. The reflector length formula is $\frac{1030}{f_{\text{MHz}}}$. For a frequency of 21.2 MHz. this figures

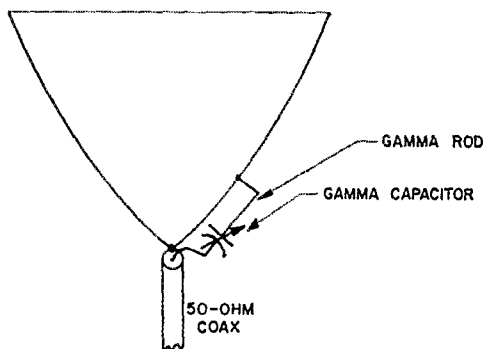
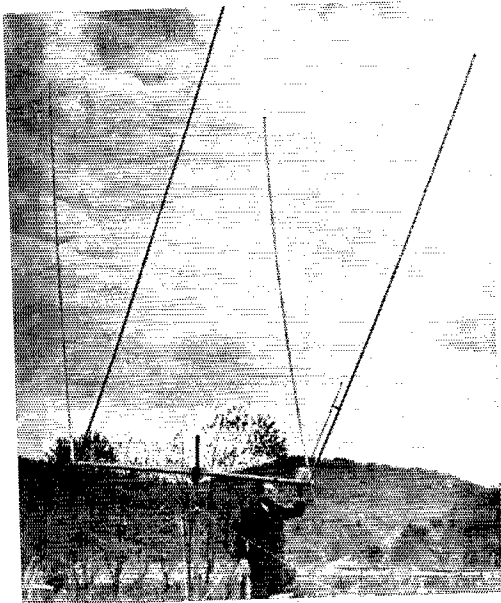


Fig. 1—Basic configuration of the Delta Loop driven element. Each side is approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ wavelength long.

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This view shows the completed antenna being matched.

out to a driven element 47 feet 5 inches long and a reflector that is 48 feet 7 inches long. Element spacing is approximately 0.2 wavelength or about 9 feet. Fig. 2 shows the two elements with the lengths of each segment.

Material Requirements

The beam elements were built primarily from Reynolds Do-It-Yourself aluminum tubing, which *should* be available from most hardware dealers. The reason we say "should" is because in some sections of the country hardware stores don't stock the tubing. However, most dealers will order the tubing for you. If you live in an area near or in a city of reasonable size, a look through the Yellow Pages will show any aluminum tubing dealers. The Reynolds Do-It-Yourself tubing comes in 8-foot lengths but most of the commercial tubing available from metal distributors comes in 12-foot lengths. If you obtain the 12-foot types, be sure to specify type 6061 (61S) alloy as this material affords excellent strength for antenna elements. The boom used in this antenna was made from this alloy and is 2 inches in diameter with a 0.065-inch wall. Another source of aluminum or steel tubing is electrical supply houses; although this type of aluminum is a little too soft for the elements it would be suitable for a boom. Also, electrician's thin-wall steel tubing is available in various sizes, including the 2-inch diameter, for a boom. In a pinch, the boom could be made of wood, such as a length of 2 X 4. In such a case, the bottoms of the elements could be connected together with a length of wire

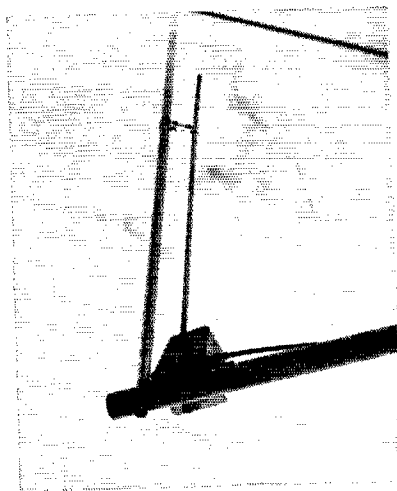
to maintain the Plumber's Delight feature. The shopping list included here should prove of help in purchasing the parts.

Construction

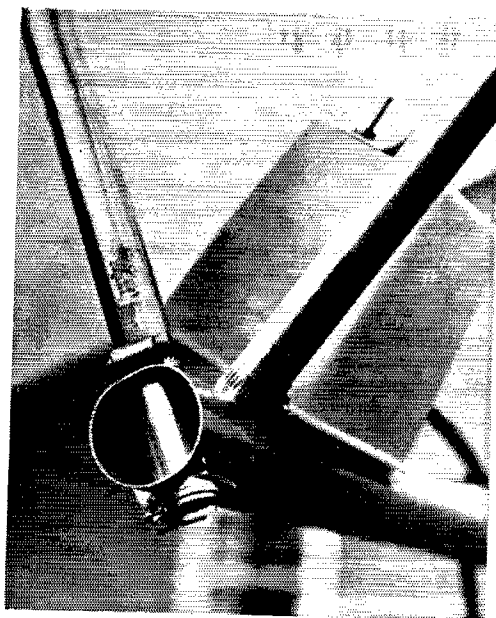
The first step in building the antenna is to make up the vertical elements. The description given here is based on using the Reynolds tubing. Using a hack saw, cut the $\frac{7}{8}$ -inch tubing into two-foot sections. This particular type is made by Reynolds for the purpose of telescoping the 1- and $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch diameter sections together and comes in 6-foot lengths. After cutting off four 2-foot lengths you'll have one 4-foot piece remaining. Cut this into four 1-foot lengths and set these pieces aside for the time being.

Next, cut two lots, the thickness of the hack-saw blade, about 2 inches deep in one end of each of the 1-inch and $\frac{7}{8}$ -inch diameter lengths. Slide the $\frac{7}{8}$ -inch tubing inside the 1-inch diameter to a length of about six inches and then slip the hose clamps over the slots and tighten them. The $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch tubing can then be inserted into the slotted ends of the $\frac{7}{8}$ -inch tubing and these sections clamped with hose clamps. Two of the elements should be adjusted to the proper length for the driven element and two for the reflector, as per Fig. 2 (or whatever length you wish from the formulas). Some amateurs may prefer to cut their antennas for the c.w. portion of the band and others for the phone section.

The next step is to cut the 1-inch holes in the boom to take the ends of the 1-inch diameter elements. We used a 1-inch chassis punch to make the holes, but a 1-inch metal reamer



The plastic freezer box is held in place by the small metal bracket which is attached to the boom with self-tapping screws. Also on the bracket is a coax fitting to take the RG-8/U coaxial feed line. The gamma rod is mounted on top of the box and is held to the element with the shorting clamp.



In this close-up view of the end of the boom the mounting of the element ends are clearly shown. Cotter pins are used on the bottom end of the element and hose clamps on the top side of the boom. This secures the elements to the boom. The plastic freezer box that houses the gamma capacitor is clearly visible behind the elements.

could also be used. The aluminum is easy to cut or punch so making the holes should be no problem. What *can* be a problem is lining up the holes so that the 75-degree angle between the elements is obtained. We made a jig from a piece of cardboard, using a protractor. Once one set of holes for the director and reflector were made the elements were temporarily

mounted in the boom. The cardboard jig was laid on the elements and the 75-degree holes were marked off and drilled.

When the holes are all drilled, the boom can be laid on the ground and the element ends inserted into the boom holes. We allowed about 1/4-inch extension of the base of the elements through the boom so as to allow space for cotter-pin holes. However, before drilling the cotter-pin holes, insert the four 1-foot lengths of the 7/8-inch tubing into the elements at the boom. This will serve to give added strength to the elements at the support point. Drill each of the four ends to take the cotter pins and install the pins. Tighten down the hose clamps on the top side of the boom to secure the elements in place.

Drill the tops of the elements to take the 1/4- X 1-inch aluminum bolts and the top wires can then be installed.

The close-up view shows the gamma installation. The gamma capacitor is mounted inside a plastic freezer container which is held in place by a small metal L-shaped plate mounted on the box and the boom, using four self-tapping screws. This plate also holds an SO-239 coax chassis fitting to take the feed line. We like to install an s.w.r. bridge directly at the beam when making s.w.r. or matching tests to reduce matching errors, and having the fitting there simplifies the procedure. The gamma rod, made from a length of 3/8-inch aluminum tubing 36 inches long, is flattened at one end for a length of 1 1/2 inches. The flattened portion is bent over at right angles and drilled to take one of the 1/4- X 1/4-inch aluminum bolts, which is mounted through the top of the freezer box. The gamma rod is held in place by this bolt and by the shorting bar between the rod and the element. The shorting bar is made from a piece of aluminum, 1 inch wide and long enough to fit around the two pieces of tubing and provide a separation of 3 inches between the rod and the elements.

Shopping List

| Quantity | Length (ft.) | Diameter (in.) | Reynolds No. |
|----------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 4 | 8 | 1 | 4242 |
| 4 | 8 | 3/4 | 4222 |
| 2 | 6 | 7/8 | 4231 |
| 1 | 9 | 2 | See Text. |

3 feet of 3/8- or 1/2-inch diameter aluminum tubing.

12, one-inch diameter hose clamps, stainless steel.

35 feet of No. 12 or 14 copper wire, solid or stranded.

1 variable capacitor, 100 pf. maximum, 0.025 spacing or greater.

1 one-quart freezer container.

1 SO-239 Coax chassis connector.

5 1/4-inch diameter aluminum nuts and bolts, 1 1/4-inches long.

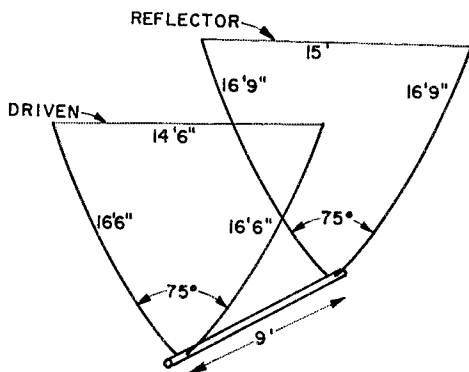


Fig. 2—This drawing shows the element dimensions and the boom length. All measurements on the elements are made from where the element enters the boom; the portion of the element extending through the boom is not counted.

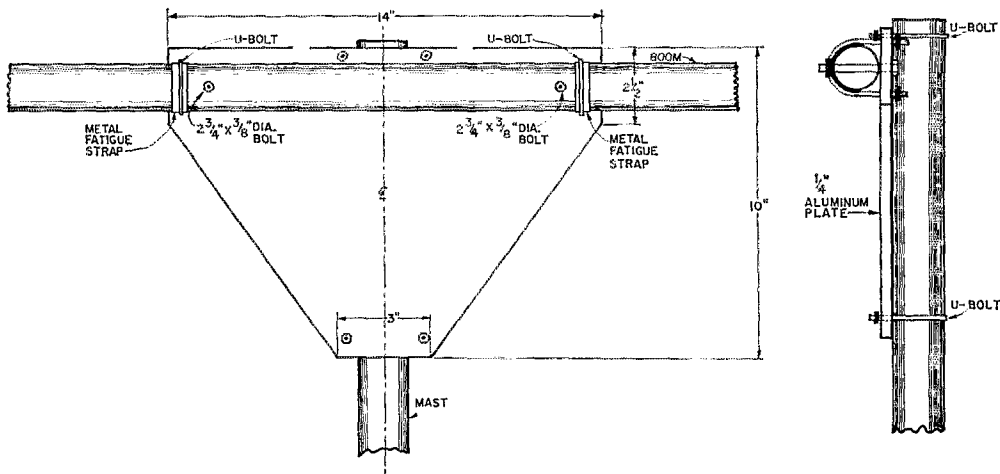


Fig. 3—Construction details for the boom-to-mast mounting bracket. The U bolts holding the boom are 2-inch type. Those holding the mast will depend on the mast diameter—we used 1/2-inch U bolts for a 1/2-inch diameter mast.

How you mount the antenna boom to the supporting mast will depend a great deal on what type of tower or supporting structure you have. The method shown in the photo is a fairly simple one, and easy to make up. Fig. 3 shows details of the construction of the mounting unit. The one shown in the photo supporting the beam was made from two pieces of 1/16-inch thick aluminum plate. However, we found that even with the double plate there was still too much "give" in the mounting setup, so a replacement was made from 1/4-inch thick aluminum. This made the mount completely steady. Either a plate of 1/2-inch aluminum or 1/8-inch steel should be adequate for the jobs. The 2-inch U bolts that hold the boom to the mounting plate were adequate, but just for added insurance, 3/8-inch, 2 3/4-inch long machine bolts (2 required) were installed through the boom and mounting plate for greater holding strength.

During our tests, a weather front moved through the area and we had wind gusts up to 40 m.p.h. plus icing and snow loading on the antenna. The antenna and elements showed very little movement in these winds, and the entire antenna appeared very strong.

Adjustments

Adjustment of the gamma section is quite simple. Install an s.w.r. bridge at the gamma feed point and tune up the rig on the desired frequency. Set the gamma shorting bar 24 inches from the base of the gamma rod and tighten the gamma-bar nuts and bolts just enough to make electrical contact. Set the s.w.r. bridge to read reflected power and adjust the gamma capacitor for a dip. The object is to find a setting of the capacitor and the gamma bar that gives a reading of zero in the reflected position. This may take a few tries, but you'll find the settings are not critical. If you adjust the antenna near the ground you

may find it will require a new adjustment when it is up in its permanent location.

How you mount the antenna in its permanent location will depend on what you have to hold the antenna. If you use a boom mounting-plate-to-mast assembly such as already described, the U bolts holding the boom could be left slightly loose and the 3/8-inch bolts left out. The antenna could then be installed in an upside-down position and then rotated into place. Two men are better than one for this job, but one man *can* do the job. If a hole, say 1/2-inch diameter, is drilled through the boom a 1/2-inch rod could be slid through to serve as a lever to rotate the boom and antenna into an upright position and the U bolts and hardware could be then tightened down.

We think the Delta Loop beam is an excellent antenna and offers many possibilities. Certainly the results obtained to this point prove the antenna is real performer. Our tower is a crank-up job, making antenna testing a fairly simple project. The antenna was first matched at the 8-foot level (boom height) and at the cranked-up height, about 55 feet above ground. A very slight readjustment of the gamma capacitor was required at the greater height in order to get down to a 1-to-1 s.w.r. However, the change in s.w.r. from the 8-foot to 55-foot heights was very small. Also, the highest s.w.r. was at 21,450 kHz., the top end of the band, with a mismatch no worse than 1.2 to 1. At 21,300 kHz. the s.w.r. dropped to 1 to 1 and remained at that figure all the way to the lower band edge.

The entire antenna weighs about 15 pounds (using the aluminum boom) so the antenna could be rotated with a heavy-duty TV rotator. One last note: we sprayed the cotter pins and hose clamps with a clear acrylic spray to reduce corrosion. This simple precaution should be taken in all antenna construction to prevent or reduce rusting.

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Simple Measurement of High Capacitances

BY JOHN HARVEY CHASE,* W4TG

HERE is a simple way to check values of the larger sizes of capacitors. The accuracy for low-loss capacitors is quite high, and the measurement of electrolytic capacitors is close enough for all practical purposes.

Most readers are familiar with the simple formula for capacitive time constant, $T = RC$, and its corollary, $C = T/R$, where T is the time in seconds required for a capacitor of C farads to discharge through a resistance of R ohms to 37 percent of the voltage to which the capacitor has been charged. The same relationship exists if C is in microfarads, and R is in megohms. By charging a capacitor from some convenient voltage source, then connecting a known value of resistance across the capacitor, and measuring the time required for the voltage to drop to 37 percent of the charged value, capacitance C may be determined. As an example, a capacitor is charged from a 10-volt source. With a $\frac{1}{2}$ -megohm resistor connected across the capacitor, it is found that the capacitor discharges to 3.7 volts (37 percent of 10) in 25 seconds. The capacitance is then $C \mu f. = 25/0.5 = 50 \mu f.$

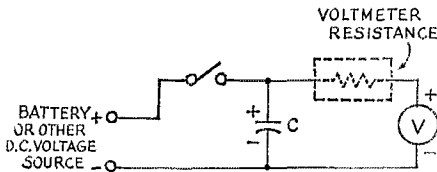


Fig. 1—Capacitance-checking circuit. The switch is closed to charge the capacitor, and the voltage noted on the meter. The switch is then opened, and the time required for the voltage to fall to 37 percent of the original voltage is measured. For highest meter-reading accuracy, the voltage source should have an output voltage, E , that gives at least half-scale deflection at the voltmeter range selected from Table I, as described in the text.

Fig. 1 shows the diagram of the testing circuit. The voltmeter resistance itself is used as the known resistance through which the capacitor discharges. The discharge can be timed with a stopwatch for short periods, or an electric clock for longer periods. To make a measurement, close the switch, and record the voltage. Also, make note of the point of the voltmeter scale that represents 37 percent of this value. Start timing at the instant the

| Volt. Scale | Meter Resistance (Ohms/Volt) | | | |
|---------------------|------------------------------|------|-------|-------|
| | 1K | 10K | 20K | 50K |
| 1.2 | 833 | 83.3 | 41.6 | 16.7 |
| 1.5 | 667 | 66.7 | 33.3 | 6.65 |
| 2.5 | 400 | 40 | 20 | 8 |
| 3 | 333 | 33.3 | 16.7 | 6.65 |
| 5 | 200 | 20 | 10 | 4 |
| 6 | 167 | 16.7 | 8.33 | 3.33 |
| 10 | 100 | 10 | 5 | 2 |
| 12 | 83.3 | 8.33 | 4.16 | 1.67 |
| 15 | 66.7 | 6.67 | 3.33 | 1.33 |
| 50 | 20 | 2 | 1 | 0.4 |
| 60 | 16.7 | 1.67 | 0.83 | 0.333 |
| 100 | 10 | 1 | 0.5 | 0.2 |
| 150 | 6.67 | 0.67 | 0.333 | 0.133 |
| 250 | 4 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.08 |
| 300 | 3.33 | 0.33 | 0.167 | 0.067 |
| 500 | 2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.04 |
| $\mu f.$ per second | | | | |

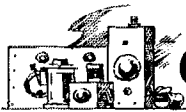
switch is opened, and stop the timing at the instant the voltmeter needle crosses the 37 percent value. Then the capacitance is determined by dividing the time in seconds by the voltmeter resistance in megohms.

Table I is arranged in terms of microfarads per second of time for typical voltmeter movements (in ohms per volt) and voltage ranges. As an example of its use, suppose that voltmeter with a movement of 20K/volt is used on its 60-volt range (voltmeter resistance = $20K \times 60 = 1.2$ megohms). With the switch closed, the meter reads 40 volts. The switch is then opened. It is found that the voltage drops to 14.8 volts (37 percent of 40) in 25 seconds. From Table I, the multiplying factor for a 20K/volt meter when using its 60-volt range is found to be 0.83. Therefore, the capacitance is $25 \times 0.83 = 20$ (approx.) microfarads.

For good meter-reading accuracy, the charging-source voltage should give at least half-scale voltmeter deflection on the voltage range selected. (However, the voltage rating of the capacitor should not be exceeded, of course.) Since accurate timing of intervals of less than one second will usually be impossible without special equipment, the multiplying factors shown in Table I indicate the practical mini-

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A One-Tube Converter For 15 or 10 Meters

THIS simple circuit uses a 6USA in an efficient mixer-oscillator configuration. The pentode section of the tube performs as a mixer, and the triode half of the 6USA is used as a third-overtone oscillator.

The converter is shown as an accessory item for the popular Command series receiver—a BC-454 in this instance. The i.f. tuning range for 15-meter reception is 3.5 to 4.0 MHz. For 10-meter use, the i.f. range is 3.5 to 5.2 MHz. It is not necessary to use a Command receiver as the i.f. unit. Any receiver that tunes the required i.f. range can be used satisfactorily. If c.w. and s.s.b. reception are desired, the receiver should be equipped with a b.f.o.

Referring to Fig. 1, L_2 , L_3 , and the four associated capacitors form a bandpass circuit to provide suitable front-end selectivity to lessen

the chance of image responses. L_4 , the output capacitance of V_{1A} , and the 15 pf. capacitor from the mixer plate to ground form a broadly resonant, low- C output circuit. This arrangement helps to give a flatter response at the i.f. tuning range than would result if a high- C output circuit was used.

A fundamental-type crystal can be employed at Y_1 and operated on its third overtone, or a standard third-overtone crystal can be used. Either will function in this circuit without any changes being necessary.

The converter can be assembled on any small Minibox or homemade chassis. Tune-up is simple. With power applied, and with the converter connected to an i.f. receiver and an antenna, tune L_6 until a significant increase in background (or atmospheric) noise is heard in the speaker. This

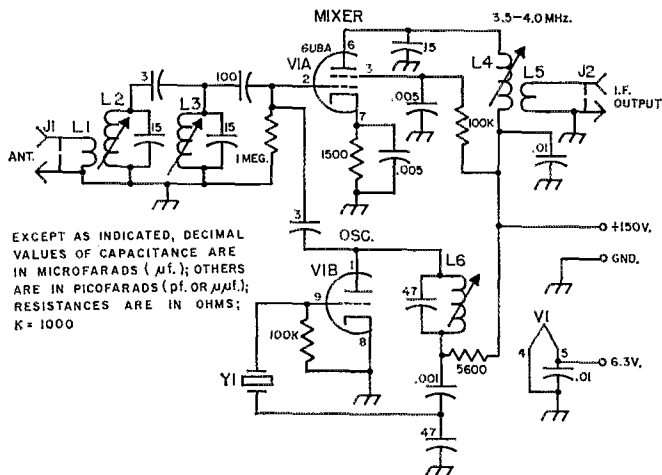


Fig. 1—Schematic of the converter. Fixed capacitors are disk ceramic; resistors are 1/2-watt composition.

J_1 , J_2 —Phono connector.

L_1 —5 turns No. 30 insulated wire over ground end of L_2 .

L_2 , L_3 —10 meters: 0.44- to 0.76- μ h. slug-tuned inductor (J. W. Miller 4501 suitable).

15 meters: 1.7- to 2.7- μ h. slug-tuned inductor (J. W. Miller 4503 suitable).

L_4 —66- to 114- μ h. slug-tuned inductor (J. W. Miller 4511).

L_5 —10 turns No. 30 insulated wire wound below B-plus end of L_4 .

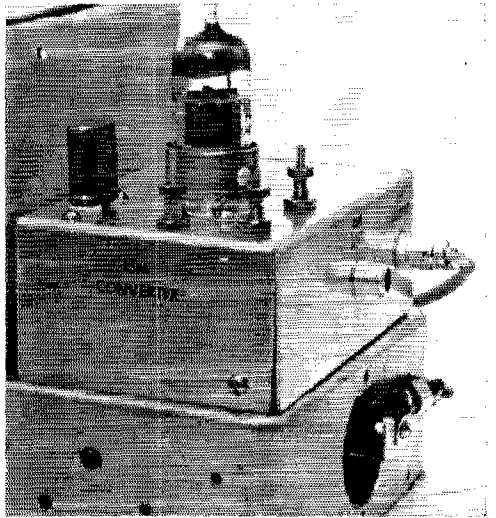
L_6 —0.44- to 0.76- μ h. slug-tuned inductor (J. W. Miller 4501).

Y_1 —10 meters: 24.5-MHz. third-overtone crystal (International Crystal Co.) or 8166-kHz. fundamental crystal (JAN Crystals).

15 meters: 25.0-MHz. third-overtone crystal (International Crystal Co.) or 8333-kHz. fundamental crystal (JAN Crystals).

will indicate that the crystal is oscillating. Next, tune in a weak signal and peak L_2 and L_3 for maximum response near the center of the band. L_4 can be peaked for the center of the band too. If more uniform response is desired across the i.f. tuning range, L_2 , L_3 , and L_4 can be stagger-tuned for different parts of the band.

Although the schematic calls for 150 volts d.c. as the operating voltage, up to 225 volts can be applied to the circuit without exceeding the tube's ratings. — *WTCER*



At the rear of the Command set, the area that was once used to accommodate a dynamotor is now occupied by the converter. Spade bolts join the homemade chassis of the converter to the receiver.

“... I won't hold ya, W6ISQ”

BY JOHN G. TROSTER,* W6ISQ

OKAY there Pedro. Real glad to work ya for a new country. I won't hold ya. Lots of other fellas trying to work you, so I'll let ya go. You're still a good 5 by 9 here and, ahhhhhh . . . ohhh, just for the log here, did you say my report was a 5-9 or a 5-9 plus? Break, break.”

“You're a 4 by 5.”

“Ahhhhhhh . . . hmmm . . . well, okay old man. Won't keep it here . . . let ya run there . . . ahhh . . . oh, say listen, Pedro, I just remembered I got a new Signal Expander that ought to double my signal strength over there. Yeah. Just QRX a second and I'll give ya a demonstration . . . QRX . . . ahhhhhh . . . heeeeeeeilla . . . heeeeeeeilla . . . now I got the Signal Expander plugged in. Am I back up to 8-9 now? Break.”

“You're a 2 by 5. Terrible distortion.”

“Ahhh . . . ohhhh . . . anyway, thanks again for the new country, Pedro. Quite a pileup here, so let ya go now. Oh, say, Pedro, your name is Pedro isn't it? Gimme a quick roger Pedro, then I'll let ya go.”

“Name is Sinbad.”

“Ohhhh, sorry Sinbad. Don't know how I . . . anyway, many thanks for the fine report . . . and the good, errrr . . . handle there. You're down to a 5 by 7 now, soooo, let ya buzz off there and hope to see ya on the other bands too. Say before ya go, give me a quick roger if ya work 15 meters too . . . ahhhh, and how about 10 . . . and also 80 and 40. Is that a roger?”

“Roger . . . roger . . . negative . . . roger.”

“Aw, that's real swell old man. So I won't

keep ya. See ya down the old log and hope to get your QSL real soon. Ohhh, almost forgot, Sinbad, was your Post Office Box number 943 or 543. Gimme a quick break. Break.”

“There is no box number. QSL to the bureau.”

“Ahhh, sure thing. Must of forgot. Well listen, Sinbad, I'll pass along my best of best 73s and ahhh . . . I'll let ya go there before the band goes out. Real sorry I have to run out on ya like this Sinbad, but your signal is down to about a 2 by 2 now, and I'm afraid I'm gonna lose you. So best of 73s Sinbad, I won't hold ya . . . let ya run along there . . . and . . . ohhhh . . .

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Strays

Again this year, the Federation of Eastern Massachusetts Amateur Radio Associations will present a cash award and a handsome plaque to a ham in the first call district who has met one or more of the following qualifications:

- 1) Performed a meritorious public service to his community through the medium of amateur radio;
- 2) Made a major contribution to the science of amateur radio;
- 3) Helped greatly to stimulate interest in amateur radio in others;
- 4) Aided other radio amateurs to acquire a greater knowledge and skill in operating or building amateur radio equipment. Send complete information on your nominee to Eli Nannis, W1HKG, Chairman Awards Committee, 37 Lowell St., Malden, Mass. 02148. All nominations must be in before April 21, 1969. The award is known as the John Mansfield Memorial Award and it will be presented to the winner at the banquet of the New England ARRL Convention on May 24, 1969.

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~~SLOTTED LINE~~ ~~SLOTTED LINE~~ for U.H.F. S.W.R. Checks

It is unfortunate that at frequencies where precise adjustment of antenna matching is most important, equipment for the job is hard to come by. There are adequate bridges available, but they are expensive. Devices for s.w.r. monitoring generally used by amateurs are of questionable value at frequencies higher than our 144-Mc. band. Instruments of the Monimatch family, when set up for use on frequencies lower than 50 Mc., give a very broad null in the 420-Mc. band, and are useless higher in frequency. If their coupling to the line is adjusted for a good null at 420, the sensitivity is very poor on lower bands. "How can I measure s.w.r. at 432 Mc.?" this is a much-asked question.

WSFKC provided a good answer in *QST* some years ago,¹ in the form of an easily-built bridge that would work over the range from 200 to above 1300 Mc. Another, illustrated here, is the slotted line. This device, common in laboratories, has been little used by amateurs, probably because it has been thought that one good enough for actual measurement of s.w.r. would be difficult to build or expensive to purchase.

At the Central States V.h.f. Conference held at Lake Ozark, Mo., in August, 1968, Pitt Arnold, W0IPE, described a slotted line that should be within the building capabilities of most u.h.f. enthusiasts. The author claims no originality in connection with the version pictured here. We merely took Pitt's dimensions, and made up a model from materials on hand. It works well enough so that we feel sure it will be useful to anyone interested in reasonably accurate adjustment of v.h.f. and u.h.f. antennas.

How It Works

A slotted line, as its name implies, is merely a section of transmission line, to which is fitted a movable probe to permit sampling the r.f.

¹Burhans, "U.H.F. Coaxial S.W.R. Bridge," June, 1960, *QST*, p. 30. Issue no longer available, but photocopies can be made for 50 cents, for the 2-page article.

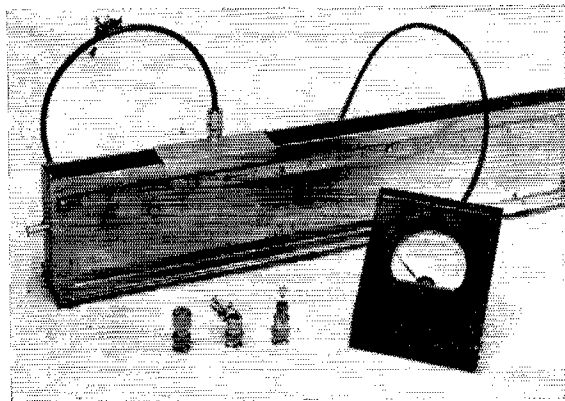
voltage along the line, through at least one maximum and one minimum point. If more peaks can be checked, so much the better, but you can get by with just one "max and min." At least two of one and one of the other is better, and the minimum length for a good 420-Mc. slotted line is about three feet. Some useful work can be done with our 3-footer on 220 or even 144, however, if the length of line feeding into it is adjusted so that at least one peak and one valley can be observed.

In addition to measuring standing-wave ratio, the slotted line is useful for measuring wavelength in the manner of Lecher wires. The scale mounted on the front of the instrument is for this purpose.

If a diode is used for rectifying the r.f. current, varying readings on the meter in series with the diode show only that there is *some* s.w.r. on the line. When you adjust the load or matching device for the least change in reading with probe movement, you have made the best adjustment you can, with the matching system or load in use. The numbers themselves are not meaningful otherwise, until you do some calibrating. More on this later.

Construction

How the line section is made should be fairly clear from the photographs and Fig. 1. Ours is not exactly like W0IPE's, as we made use of what was immediately at hand. The inner conductor is half-inch o.d. aluminum tubing, centered between two plates about four inches high. The space between the inner surfaces of the plates is 0.9 inch. We used two L-shaped plates, bolted to a base plate. All are $\frac{3}{8}$ -inch sheet aluminum. A better arrangement might be to use thicker side plates, with tapped holes in their bottom edges. The principal item of importance is that the assembly be sturdy enough so that the spacing between the side plates will remain constant when the instrument is used.



Input end of the slotted line. Peaks or nulls of diode current, indicated on the meter as the probe is moved along the line, show half-wave intervals. Scale measures half-wavelengths in inches, or in centimeters if a suitable scale is available. Three dummy loads are shown in the foreground: a sealed resistor load in a BNC fitting, left; a tuned frequency-sensitive load, center; and a No. 47 pilot lamp and fitting, right.

If solid rod is available for the inner conductor, the ends can be drilled and the center pins of the coaxial fittings inserted therein. Pitt recommended N-type fittings, connected to the line in this way, with about $\frac{1}{8}$ inch space between the rod end and the fitting flange. I could not locate solid rod of the right size, so used aluminum tubing, with straps of thin brass bolted to its ends. These were bent toward each other and soldered to the center conductor of the fitting. BNC terminations were used for convenience, and because we had them on hand. That we were never able to eliminate rise and fall of r.f. current along the line completely, regardless of load used, probably indicates that this makeshift is not quite as good as the method recommended by WØLPE. It is plenty good enough, however, for the line to be markedly more sensitive to small s.w.r. variations than anything we'd used previously.

The end plates and the mounting for the probe are made of $\frac{1}{32}$ -inch sheet aluminum, bent in U shape, with BNC sockets (UG-290/U) mounted with their diagonals perpendicular to the long axis of the plate, and centered in the large surface. The tip-to-tip dimension of this fitting's flange is just over 0.9 inch, so the corners should be filed down to make the assembly a smooth fit

over the top or end surface of the line. Occasional light applications of silicone-base lubricant will permit the probe assembly to slide easily along the top of the line. The end plates are made in a similar manner, and are fastened to the front and back surfaces of the line with self-tapping screws. The dimensions of these parts are given in Fig. 1. Mounting holes need be drilled only in the end plates, of course.

Rubber feet with 8-32 screws are used to fasten the base plate to the side plates. The holes in the flanges of the latter are tapped for 8-32 thread, though larger holes could have been made and nuts used on the screws embedded in the feet.

A 3-foot scale is mounted along the front surface of the line, for measuring the distance between voltage peaks or valleys. A millimeter scale would have simplified the mathematics involved in frequency measurement, but we could not find one in nearby hardware stores. The scale is a replacement unit for use in a pocket tape, and was originally 6 feet long. It is mounted on stand-off washers, so that the edge of the probe mount will slide just inside its top edge.

The size of the coupling loop on the probe and its position with respect to the inner conductor of the line will depend on the power input to the line, and on the sensitivity of the meter used. If

a self-controlled oscillator is to be used as an energy source it will be desirable to couple as loosely between the source and the line as possible. Loose coupling between the probe and the line is also

desirable, as too much coupling will broaden out the peak and valley indications and make frequency measurements inaccurate. The best bet, for most uses, is to make the loop on the probe of such size and shape that it can be used for close coupling, and then bend it up to operate with the loosest coupling that will give a satisfactory meter indication.

If a self-controlled energy source such as a u.h.f. dipper is used with the line, it can be coupled to a small loop of insulated wire, mounted in a BNC fitting and plugged into the input end of the line. With a transmitter having 50-ohm output, a coaxial cable is used between the transmitter and the line input. When the transmitter has one watt or more output the coupling between the line and the probe can be quite loose. As the instrument is actually used you will find it possible to work out optimum coupling for various purposes. For the time being, a loop of the type shown and described will be adequate for most uses.

Uses

Let's check some r.f. dummy loads at 432 Mc. The first requirement for this is that the energy fed into the line be free of harmonics. This can be assured if a coaxial or strip-line filter² is used between the r.f. source and the line. Filtering is

² Tilton, "Coaxial-Tank V.H.F. Filters," October, 1964, *QST*, p. 11. Other filter designs in Chapter 11. *The Radio Amateur's V.H.F. Manual*.

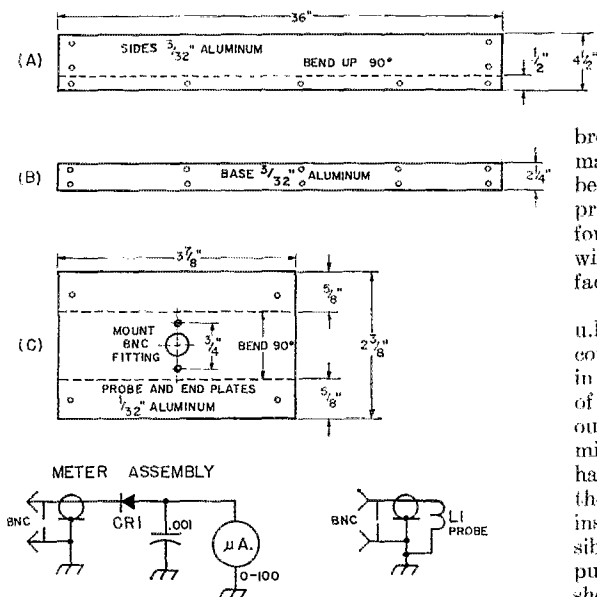


Fig. 1—Details of the principal metal parts of the u.h.f. slotted line. Schematic diagrams and parts information for the probe and meter assembly are given at the lower right. The two sides, A, should be mounted on the base, B, so that the spacing between the inner walls is 0.9 inch. The probe and end plates should be bent to provide a sliding fit over the line assembly. The inner conductor, not shown, is $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch diameter, 35 inches long.

CR₁—Any u.h.f. diode.

L₁—4-inch strip of $\frac{3}{16}$ -inch thin copper or brass, bent into loop about $\frac{1}{2}$ by $\frac{3}{4}$ inch in size. See photograph and text.

especially important if the energy source is a varactor multiplier. Unless filtered properly, the output of a varactor stage is almost certain to have enough power at unwanted frequencies to foul up the slotted line indications.

To familiarize yourself with the operation of the slotted line it is well to start with a load that will represent some mismatch. A No. 47 pilot light soldered into a BNC fitting will do, and it has the advantage of giving some visible indication of relative power. Put such a load on the output end of the slotted line, and connect the input to the energy source. For demonstrations we use a 2-meter Communicator, WICER's varactor tripler (March, 1966, *QST*, page 18), and the 432-Mc. strip-line filter from the *The Radio Amateur's V.H.F. Manual*. This combination gives about one watt of pure 432-Mc. energy, which is plenty for good operation of the line and lamp load.

This setup should be adjusted so that the lamp load shows some glow. Now insert the probe and watch the meter indication carefully. It may be found that with the coupling loop as shown in the photograph the meter will tend to go off scale before the probe is resting in its normal operating position. If so, bend the loop back until a satisfactory reading is obtained. Now slide the probe slowly along the line, and record the maximum and minimum current readings. You'll probably find that the meter will go to zero at the minimum r.f. voltage points, when the coupling is adjusted for about a $\frac{3}{4}$ -scale reading at the peaks. Obviously, a No. 47 lamp is not a very good load at 432 Mc.!

A much better one-watt load can be made by soldering a 50-ohm 1-watt composition resistor inside a BNC fitting. Cut a copper or brass disk the size of the end of the fitting, and drill a hole that will just pass the resistor lead, at the center of the disk. Solder the resistor lead to the disk, and then solder the disk to the end of the fitting. With this load in place you'll probably find not

much more than 10 percent variation in probe current along the line, at 432 Mc., and perhaps less at 220 or 144 Mc. This is a pretty fair load, but remember that its dissipation capability is limited. Do not run it at one-watt input or more for any longer than necessary to get readings. Continued heating of the resistor is likely to cause it to change value and destroy the usefulness of the load.

A good load, but one that is frequency-sensitive, can be made by mounting the resistor in the fitting, with a variable capacitor in series. Select the resistor, if possible, so that its d.c. resistance will be between 50 and 52 ohms. Adjust the capacitor with an insulated screwdriver until a setting is found that shows the smallest variation in current as the probe is moved along the line. The best we've done with this arrangement is a variation of about 2 microamperes in a reading of about 50 μ a. Use readings that are available at some distance in from the ends of the line for this adjustment, as coupling to the line changes appreciably in the last few inches at each end.

Wavelength measurements should now be tried. The distance between two nulls or two peaks of probe current is a half-wavelength. Be careful not to overcouple with the probe for this work, or the indication will be excessively broad, or even double-humped. If a self-controlled energy source is used, tight coupling will pull the frequency enough to render measurements highly inaccurate.

A grid-dip oscillator, set at an unknown frequency, can be coupled to the input end of the line by means of a 1-inch diameter loop of wire soldered into a BNC fitting. Operate the slotted line without a load, or with a load having an impedance other than 50 ohms, so that an appreciable s.w.r. will be seen with the probe. Measure the distance between peaks or nulls. The zero point may be the better for this purpose. Move the probe until zero reading is obtained. Now move slowly each way until one microampere is seen on the meter. Observe these two 1- μ a. points, and take the midpoint between them. Greater accuracy is possible this way than by merely looking for the zero point. Now move along the line to the next null, and find its exact location in the same manner. We find the points to be $12\frac{5}{8}$ inches apart, let's say. The frequency of oscillation is then found from the formula:

$$F = \frac{5905}{S}$$

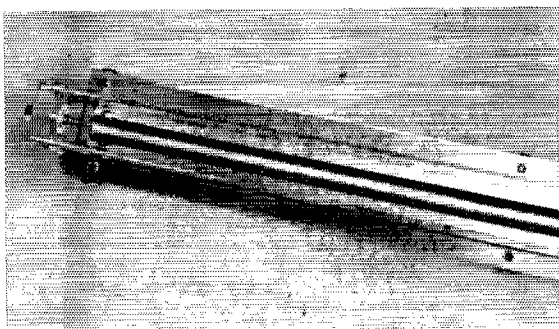
where F is the frequency in Mc. and S is the spacing of the nulls in inches. So

$$F = \frac{5905}{12.625} = 468 \text{ Mc.}$$

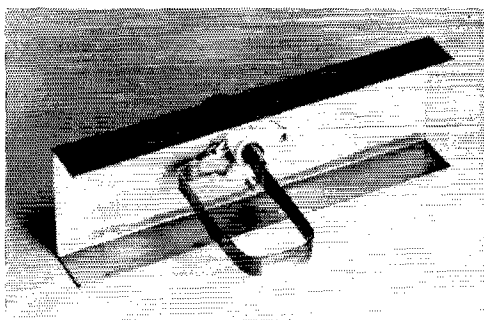
If you have a millimeter scale the numbers are simpler, for

$$F = \frac{300,000}{2S}$$

where S is the spacing of the nulls in meters. A millimeter scale would show these same nulls



Underside of the slotted-line probe. Position of the coupling loop with respect to the center conductor should be adjusted for the minimum coupling usable at the power level of the energy fed into the line, if maximum accuracy is to be achieved. A light coating of silicone-base lubricant on the inner edges will assure smooth operation and good electrical contact.



Interior of one end of the slotted line. Strips of thin brass, bolted to the center conductor, are soldered to the BNC fitting centered on the end plate of the line.

to be 32 millimeters apart, which is a *half* wavelength.

$$F = \frac{300,000}{2 \times 32} = 468 \text{ Mc.}$$

If coupling is held sufficiently loose so that nulls can be read accurately, frequencies in the vicinity of the 420-Mc. band should be well within one percent when measured in this way.

Calibration

Because of the characteristics of the diode, the relative currents indicated on the meter are not directly translatable into s.w.r. The meter reads rectified current, whereas the s.w.r. is the ratio of I_{\max} to I_{\min} in r.f. current. If we have a meter capable of reading r.f. power output with a fair degree of accuracy we can make a calibration of the d.c. meter readings in terms of r.f. power.

Our current calibration turned out as shown below:

| D.C. Ratio | R.F. Ratio | D.C. Ratio | R.F. Ratio |
|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 100:90 | 1.07 to 1 | 100:40 | 1.49 |
| 100:90 | 1.11 | 100:30 | 1.6 |
| 100:70 | 1.175 | 100:20 | 1.8 |
| 100:60 | 1.26 | 100:10 | 2.25 |
| 100:50 | 1.35 | 100:5 | 3.2 |

It can be seen from these figures that a half-scale swing from maximum to minimum indicated current represents an s.w.r. of only 1.35 to 1. This is about the minimum s.w.r. that can be observed with a good through-line wattmeter, unless you use fairly high power for the forward reading, and then substitute a more sensitive plug-in pickup device for reading the reflected. Using a 5-watt transmitter on 432, with a 10-watt plug-in unit for reading both forward and reflected power, you can just see the meter move on the *reflected* position, with this 1.35:1 s.w.r. Our slotted line makes it possible to measure ratios down well under 1.1 to 1.

How important it is to be able to do this depends on what you are trying to do in your antenna work. A mismatch of 1.3 to 1 will never kill you on 432. Most installations probably are much worse than this, and their users never know it. But if you intend to do any real evaluation of antennas it is of utmost importance that the antennas being compared be adjusted for as close to a perfect match as possible. A careful examination of the frequencies over which your antennas work, in terms of fairly sensitive s.w.r. measurement, may be quite revealing. But this is another story; one that we have attempted to tell in many previous discussions of u.h.f. antennas.

— W1HDQ

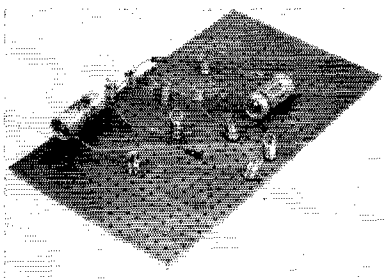
• New Apparatus

Houle Solderless Connectors

In order to construct ham gear that looks good in addition to working well, it's usually necessary to build a breadboard model. The time it takes to determine component values experimentally can be shortened considerably by using Houle universal solderless connectors as shown in the photograph.

A Houle solderless connector consists of a spring of piano wire that has been plated for good conductivity, and a self-tapping sheet-metal screw. The latter is furnished to secure the spring to punched circuit board. After a connector has been mounted, it's only necessary to flex the finger loop at the top of the spring to insert one or more component leads between the loops of the coil. There is no need to waste time soldering and unsoldering.

Houle solderless connectors are available for two hole sizes, 0.093 inch and 0.062 inch. The price classes for both types are \$1.50 for 25 connectors, \$5 for 100 connectors, and \$40 for 1000 connectors. The connectors are available from Houle Mfg. Co., Inc., P.O. Box 2495, Livonia, Michigan 48150. —W1YDS



Strays

Feedback

Our Field Day scores listing should have included the Class 3A tally of VE3KCD/3, the Kitchener-Waterloo ARC, with 749 contacts in the B power classification and a total score of 5291 points. Sri, OMs.

We failed to list WN9UNX (now WA9ZHC) as a C.W. Certificate Winner in the Armed Forces Day 1968 Communication Test Results in the November 1968 issue of QST.

Transistorized A.G.C. And Squelch Circuits

BY JAMES R. ANDREWS,* WA0NHD

In the process of designing my own transistorized receiver, I developed some rather novel a.g.c. and squelch circuits. They have proven to be quite useful in practice. Amateurs having solid-state receivers or contemplating building such, will find these circuits interesting.

This article presents general circuit ideas. The component values are given on the schematics only as a rough guide, as they were chosen for my particular receiver. The actual values used will have to be chosen to suit each individual case.

A.G.C. Amplifier

The a.g.c. amplifier shown in Fig. 1 is designed to provide a.g.c. voltage for transistor r.f. and i.f. amplifiers. The circuit is basically a common-emitter d.c. amplifier followed by an emitter follower. Special care has been taken to give the system a fast-attack, slow-decay response that is useful for s.s.b. operation.

An a.m. diode detector is used to provide the input signal to the a.g.c. amplifier. R_1 and C_1 filter out the audio signal. The resultant d.c. signal is amplified by the common-emitter amplifier consisting of Q_1 , R_2 , and R_3 . R_2 is used to achieve thermal and gain stability. The collector voltage of Q_1 controls the emitter follower Q_2 . The resultant voltage at the emitter of Q_2 is the a.g.c. voltage. For SO conditions, transistor Q_1 is not conducting and the a.g.c. voltage corresponding to maximum receiver gain is set by the voltage divider consisting of R_3 and R_4 .

The fast-attack, slow-decay characteristic is obtained through the action of Q_3 , CR_1 , C_2 , and C_3 . When an input signal is applied, Q_1 starts to conduct causing its collector voltage to rise

toward zero. During the time of decay either capacitor C_2 or C_3 is decoupled by diode CR_1 to allow a fast a.g.c. attack. Transistor Q_3 , operating as an emitter follower, rapidly discharges the decay capacitor, C_2 or C_3 , to the resultant level. When the input signal drops off, the collector current in Q_1 decreases. Diode CR_1 then becomes forward biased and the base of transistor Q_2 is held at the voltage of the decay capacitor. Because capacitor C_2 must be charged through resistor R_3 , there is a slow decay in the a.g.c. voltage.

The circuit in Fig. 1 has an a.g.c. voltage rise-time of 100 milliseconds. The settling time, i.e. the time required for all oscillations of the a.g.c. voltage to cease, is 340 ms. The a.g.c. voltage has a fall time of 600 ms. in the fast mode and 3.5 seconds in the slow mode. Fig. 2 shows how to apply the a.g.c. voltage to a typical transistor i.f. amplifier.

An S-meter circuit that can be used with the above a.g.c. amplifier is shown in Fig. 3. Transistor Q_4 is used in an emitter-follower configuration. A 6.8-volt zener diode, CR_2 , provides a fixed bias reference voltage. The S meter is bridged between this -6.8-volt bias and the emitter of Q_4 .

Squelch

The squelch circuit shown in Fig. 4 combines a Schmitt trigger¹ and a gated emitter follower. The firing level of the Schmitt trigger determines the a.g.c. voltage at which the squelch opens. This level can be adjusted by varying control R_{10} . The squelch circuit is also designed to hold the squelch open for two seconds after the a.g.c.

¹ Millman and Taub, *Pulse, Digital, and Switching Wave forms*, McGraw Hill, Inc., New York, 1965, pp. 389-402.

*3450 Ash Avenue, Boulder, Colorado 80302.

Fig. 1—A.g.c. amplifier. Capacitance shown is in $\mu\text{f.}$; resistance is shown in ohms; $K = 1000$. Capacitors are 25-volt electrolytic; resistors are $\frac{1}{2}$ watt. Components not specified below are for text reference.

CR_1 —Germanium 1N34.

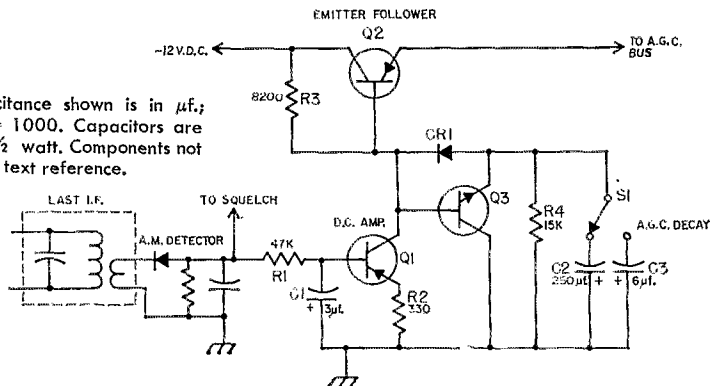
Q_1 —Germanium p-n-p

2N1309.

Q_2 —Germanium n-p-n 2N404A.

Q_3 —Germanium n-p-n 2N1308.

S_1 —S.p.d.t.



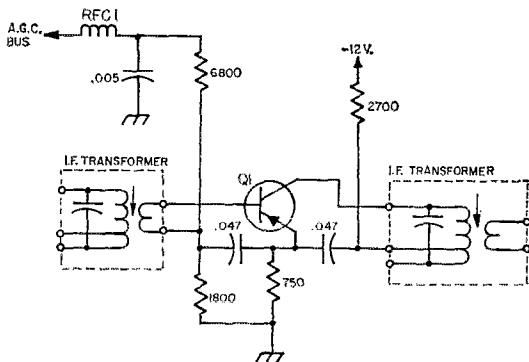


Fig. 2—Typical a.g.c. controlled i.f. amplifier. Capacitance shown is in μf .; resistance is shown in ohms; $K = 1000$. Q_1 is an HEP-52. RFC₁ is a 30- μh . choke.

voltage drops below the firing level of Q_5 and Q_6 . This delay allows the squelch circuit to be used for s.s.b. operation.

To explain the squelch circuit operation, it is necessary to first describe the Schmitt trigger. The Schmitt trigger consists of two d.c. coupled amplifiers, Q_5 and Q_6 , with positive feedback obtained from a common emitter resistor R_{15} . Assume initially that the a.g.c. input is at or near ground potential. Q_5 is cut off. Q_6 is biased into the conduction region by the voltage divider R_{13} , R_{16} , and R_{17} . The base voltage of Q_6 is $V_1 = -4.3$ volts, while the collector is at -8 volts. Now assume the input voltage becomes more negative. Q_5 will not conduct current until its base voltage reaches $V_1 = -4.3$ volts. If the circuit loop gain is greater than or equal to one because of the positive feedback, the trigger will switch states. Q_5 will be conducting and Q_6 will be cut off with its collector voltage at -12 volts.

Similarly, if the input is more negative than $V_1 = -4.3$ volts and then rises toward zero potential, the Schmitt trigger will rapidly switch states

again when a voltage $V_2 = -2.9$ volts is reached. With R_{14} effectively shorted out, V_2 is equal to -2.9 volts. To eliminate hysteresis, R_{14} is adjusted to make V_2 approximately equal to V_1 . The output of the Schmitt trigger at the collector of Q_6 will be either -12 or -8 volts depending upon the level of the a.g.c. input.

The remainder of the squelch circuit consists of a gating transistor Q_7 and an emitter follower Q_8 . Initially let us assume that we have an 80 a.g.c. voltage of -7 volts. Thus the output of the Schmitt trigger is at -12 volts. Q_7 is cut off and the base voltage for Q_8 is 0 volts. The emitter of Q_8 is biased at -4.7 volts by a zener diode CR₃. Thus the emitter follower Q_8 is strongly cut off and will not pass a f. signal.

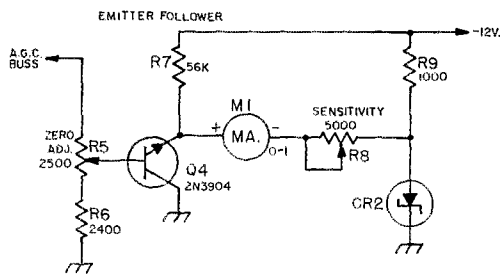


Fig. 3—S-meter circuit. Resistance shown is in ohms; $K = 1000$. Resistors are $\frac{1}{2}$ watt. Components not specified below are for text reference.

- CR₂—6.8-volt zener, 1N5235.
 M₁—0-1 milliammeter.
 Q₄—Silicon n-p-n 2N3904.
 R₅—2500-ohm, $\frac{1}{2}$ watt linear control.
 R₈—5000-ohm, $\frac{1}{2}$ -watt linear control.

Now assume the a.g.c. voltage starts to rise with an incoming signal. When this voltage reaches the Schmitt trigger firing level V_2 , the voltage at the collector of Q_6 switches rapidly to -8 volts. This turns Q_7 on hard and drives it into saturation, which in turn lowers the base

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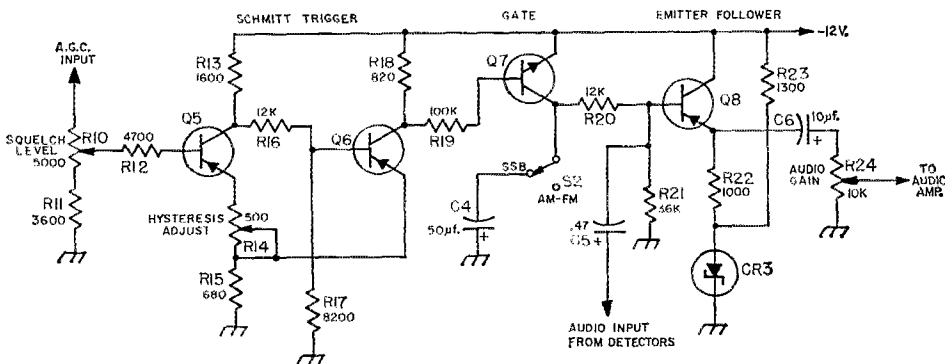


Fig. 4—Squelch circuit. Capacitance is shown in μf .; resistance is shown in ohms; $K = 1000$. Resistors are $\frac{1}{2}$ watt. Components not specified below are for text reference.

- C₄—50- μf ., 25-volt electrolytic.
 C₅—0.47- μf ., 15-volt or greater, paper or tantalum.
 C₆—10- μf ., 25-volt electrolytic.
 CR₃—4.7-volt zener, 1N5230A.
 Q₅, Q₆, Q₈—Silicon n-p-n 2N3906.

- Q₇—Silicon n-p-n 2N3904.
 R₁₀—5000-ohm, $\frac{1}{2}$ -watt linear control.
 R₁₄—500-ohm, $\frac{1}{2}$ -watt linear control.
 R₂₄—10K-ohm, $\frac{1}{2}$ -watt audio taper control.
 S₂—S.p.d.f.



Hints and Kinks

For the Experimenter



DIODE T.R. SWITCH

I BUILT the 5-watt transistor transmitter described in June 1967 *QST* and also in the 1968 *Handbook*. In order to use a single antenna with this rig and work full break-in, I constructed the solid-state t.r. switch shown in schematic form in Fig. 1.

Diode CR_1 shorts the added receiver input circuit, C_3L_1 , to ground when the key is closed. The series combination of R_1 and RFC_1 equalizes the d.c. voltage on one side of CR_1 to that on the other. Without R_1 and RFC_1 , collector current leakage in the p.a. transistor might forward-bias CR_1 when the key is open. This would result in some loss in the received signal.

The t.r. switch was built on the same chassis as the transmitter. In order for the additional parts to fit, a larger-sized chassis than specified in the original article had to be used.

The antenna changeover system performs as I hoped it would; there is virtually no loss in the transmitter output or the received signal, there is very little transmitter signal feedthrough to the receiver during key-down conditions, and the added tuned circuit ahead of the receiver helps to reject images. — Roy Koeppe, K6KOL

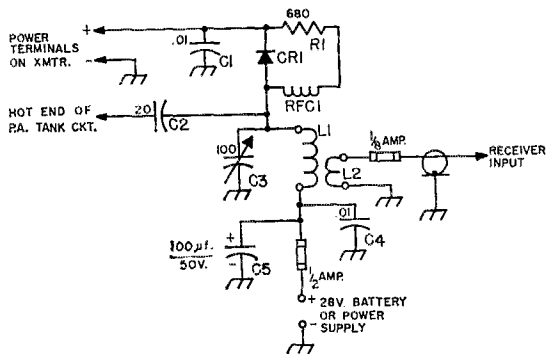


Fig. 1—Circuit of the solid-state t.r. switch. Except as indicated, decimal values of capacitance are in μf ; others are in picofarads. Resistance is in ohms.

- C_1, C_2, C_4 —Disk ceramic.
- C_3 —100-pf. miniature variable.
- C_5 —Electrolytic. (Capacitor necessary only if dry-cell battery is used for power supply.)
- CR_1 —Silicon diode, 400 p.i.v. at 50 ma.
- L_1, L_2 —Same type plug-in coil as used in p.a. tank (see text), but no tap on L_1 .
- R_1 — $1/2$ -watt composition.
- RFC_1 —1-mh. or 2.5-mh., 50 ma. r.f. choke.

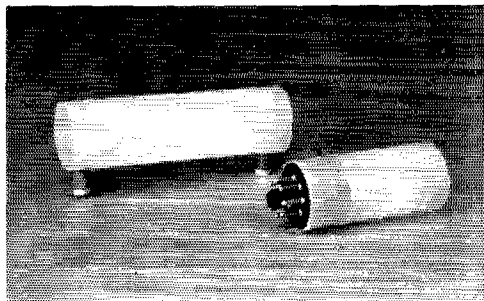


Fig. 2—Coil forms made from golf club protection tubes.

COIL FORMS FROM GOLF CLUB PROTECTION TUBES

COIL forms can easily be fabricated from $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch diameter golf club protector sleeving. Plug-in coil forms may be made as follows:

- 1) Remove and discard the glass envelope and the elements from an old octal tube that has a $1\frac{1}{4}$ -inch diameter base.
- 2) Cut an appropriate length of the plastic tube and press fit it over the octal base. An example of this type of coil form is shown on the right side of Fig. 2.

Permanently mounted coils may be made by cutting an appropriate length of tubing and mounting it on two standoff insulators or wooden pegs. This kind of form is shown on the left side of Fig. 2.

The plastic golf club protection tubes we used were made from polyethylene, the same high quality dielectric material used in the manufacturer of 300-ohm TV transmission line. A single 34-inch length, which was more than enough to make a half-dozen coil forms, cost eleven cents at the local sporting goods store. — Arthur S. Gillespie, Jr., W4VON

IDENTIFYING ILLEGIBLE TYPE NUMBERS ON VACUUM TUBES

RECENTLY while engaged in a summer shack cleaning, I decided to sort a pile of pulled tubes, many of which had illegible type numbers. Recalling an ancient gimmick, I placed the unreadable tubes in the refrigerator for a few minutes. Upon removal of the tubes, selective moisture condensation made the numbers readable on 85 percent of the units cooled. In all cases it was previously very difficult to find even the location of the type numbers. — Russell Shattuck, AF6-Y11

115-VOLT THREE-WIRE TESTER

To help eliminate the chance of electrical shock, many manufacturers are equipping their newer pieces of ham gear with three-wire a.c. plugs. If you plan on installing three-wire receptacles in your ham shack to accommodate these connectors, for the sake of safety use the standard connections for three-wire plugs and receptacles shown in Fig. 3. To be doubly sure all a.c. receptacles in your home have been properly wired, use the handy tester shown in Figs. 4 and 5.

Basically the three-wire tester consists of three neon indicators, I_1 , I_2 and I_3 , which function as a.c. voltmeters. An indicator is connected across each of the three possible pairs of connections so that any possible receptacle connection can be tested. As set up, an indicator will *not* glow behind the hot terminal; more about this later.

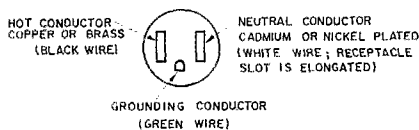


Fig. 3—Wiring side of receptacle or pin view of plug.

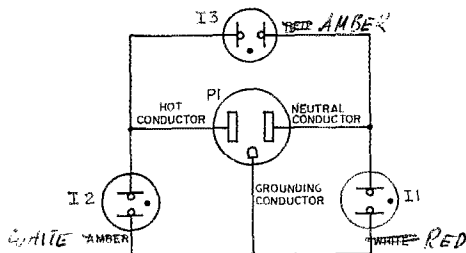


Fig. 4—Three-wire tester, pin view of plug.

- I_1 —White lens neon indicator (Industrial Devices 2150-A4).
- I_2 —Amber lens neon indicator (Industrial Devices 2150-A3).
- I_3 —Red lens neon indicator (Industrial Devices 2150A1).
- P_1 —Grounding-type male a.c. plug (Amphenol 61-M).

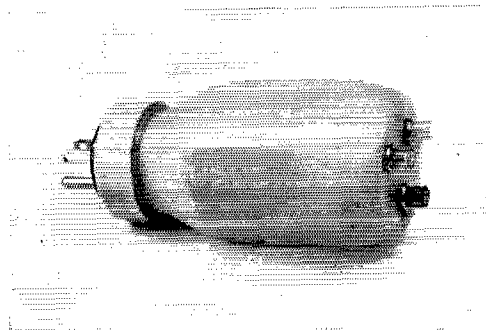


Fig. 5—Three-wire tester.

Table I

| Indicators Glowing | Condition |
|--------------------|---|
| Red and amber | Correct receptacle wiring. |
| Red and white | Hot and neutral terminals reversed; reverse polarity. |
| White and amber | Grounding conductor hot; should never happen. |
| Red only | Improper grounding; grounding conductor not grounded. |

For the tester to be safe, it must be housed in a shock-proof container. I used an "Eventlo" 4-ounce plastic baby bottle which is sturdy, inexpensive and readily available. One can be obtained in most drug and dime stores for only 35 cents.

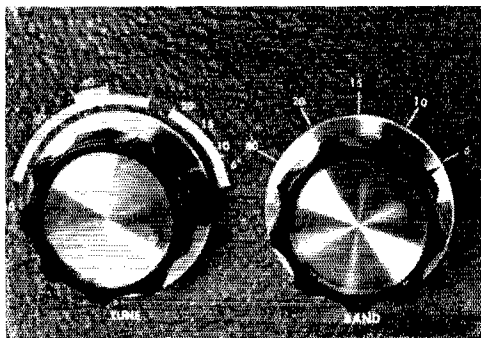
Begin constructing the tester by enlarging the hole in the bottle cap with a half-round rat-tail file so that the a.c. plug, P_1 , can be accommodated. Remove with a pocket knife the burrs which result from the filing operation. Before mounting P_1 , bend the grounding strap on the inner surface of P_1 back to the screw and break the strap off at the screw. Mount P_1 on the screw top of the bottle with the spring-retainer clip provided and then screw the cap of the bottle to the desired tightness. Spot holes for mounting the neon indicators directly behind the plug pins. In order to keep the indicators secure when mounted, drill the mounting holes just a little small. Mount the white indicator, I_1 , behind the copper or brass pin of the plug; mount the amber indicator, I_2 , behind the cadmium or nickel-plated pin of the plug; and mount the red indicator, I_3 , behind the grounding connector. To further secure the neon indicators, pour Duco cement into the bottle until the bottom surface is completely covered. Solder lugs can be added to the plug, P_1 , as a soldering convenience.

To use the three-wire tester, just simply plug it in. Table I is a tabulation of the possible conditions that might be observed. Remember, as shown, the neon indicator that *doesn't* glow indicates the hot pin. If you have two-wire receptacles, an adapter for the tester must be used. In some systems, connecting the external adapter wire to the wall plate or mounting screw is sufficient to get two indicator lights to glow. Older electrical systems may require a grounding lead from the adapter wire to a radiator or cold water pipe. In either case, when using an adapter remember that the grounding lead on the adapter must be connected. — Nancy A. Finlay

INEXPENSIVE CHIMNEY

A CHIMNEY for a double-mantle Coleman gas-oil line lantern makes a dandy chimney for a 4-100A or similar tube. They have a 5-inch i.d., are 5 inches high, and cost only about a dollar. — Bob Wheaton, W5PKK

Using The Heath SB-200 Linear On Six Meters



Decals have been added to "dress-up" the front panel and indicate the changes made.

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To eliminate a 6-ft. rack—full of low-frequency and 6-meter amplifiers, power supplies and control systems—and substitute a table-top amplifier, my interest focused on the Heath SB-200 after I heard that WA4-VUT had made it work on 6 meters by eliminating the 10-meter band. As purchased, the Heath SB-200 is a 1200-watt p.e.p. input, 80 through 10 meter, band-switched linear amplifier. Discussions with W2PNQ resulted in a mutual decision to give the rig a try, but to eliminate the 40-meter band instead, since neither of us professed much interest in that band. The conversion was first completed by W2PNQ, and to him goes most of the credit for laying the ground work.

Basically the modification is completed in two separate steps, both of which may be completed in a short evening's work. First of all, the pi-network output circuit of the SB-200 is modified so that it will tune the 6-meter band as shown in Fig. 1. Secondly, a 6-meter tuned cathode input circuit is installed as shown in Fig. 2.

The 40-meter tap on the final amplifier tank coil L_T is no longer used. Instead, a new tap one turn from the plate end of the 10-15-meter tank coil L_B is added to provide for 6-meter operation. The band-switching sequence becomes 80, 20, 15, 10, 6 meters, with the 20-meter coil tap being connected to the former 40-meter band-switch contact. The higher-frequency bands are also moved up on the

band switch rotation in a similar manner.

The author chose to modify the existing tuning capacitor, C_{25} , although a Johnson (154-12) 55-pf. capacitor may be substituted if an additional 100-pf. capacitor is connected in parallel for 80-meter operation. To modify the Heath capacitor, four plates are removed, one rotor and one stator from each end of the capacitor. The result is a capacitor with a minimum capacitance of 9.5 pf. and a maximum of 126 pf., sufficient to tune the 80-meter band with no problem.

To modify the input circuit, the 40-meter cathode coil, L_C , and the associated capacitors, C_{21} , C_{22} , are removed. The succeeding coils are advanced one position; i.e. the 20-meter

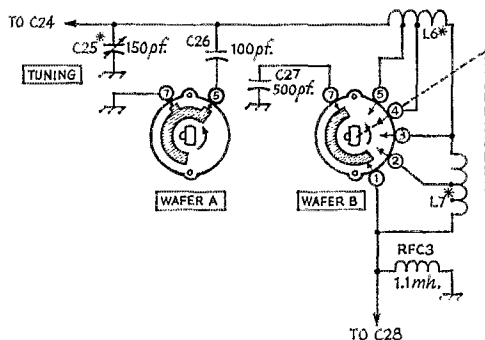


Fig. 1—Output circuit. Components which have been altered are marked with an asterisk. Specific details are included in the text.

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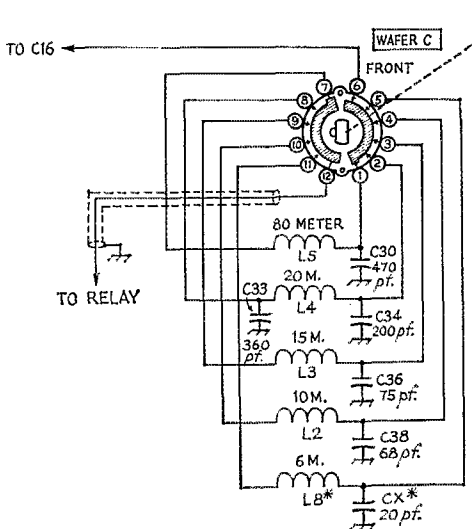
Fig. 2—Input circuit. New components which have been added are marked with an asterisk. Specific details are included in the text.

coil is mounted in the 40-meter chassis position and is connected to the old 40-meter band-switch contact. All the original turns of the 40-meter cathode coil are removed. A new 6-meter coil is wound on this form with three turns of No. 16 enameled wire. Alternatively, a new 10-meter coil (which also tunes 6 meters) may be purchased from Heath as part No. 40-72S. The 6-meter cathode coil, L_6 , is mounted in the old 10-meter coil location, CA. A 20-pf. dipped mica capacitor C_x is also added to complete the 6-meter L network.

Manual-Type Instructions

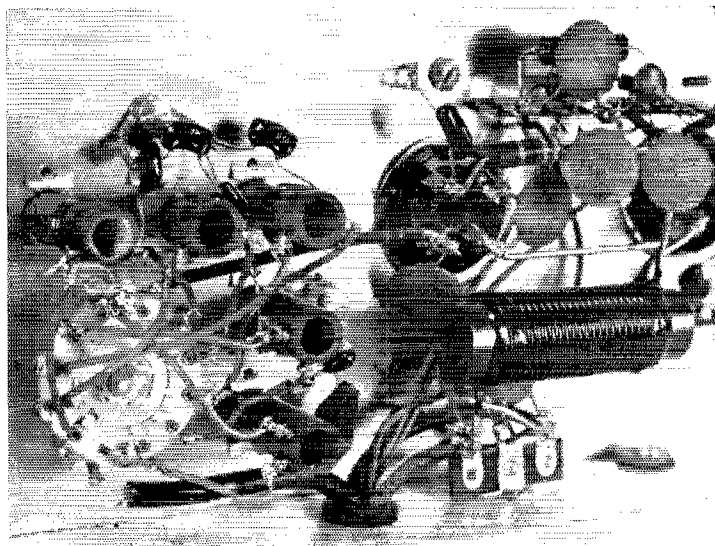
Many fellows would like to have modification instructions similar to those provided in the SB-200 manual. The instructions given below may be used to supplement the Heath manual and will be especially helpful when the kit is initially being assembled. All page references given are for Heath manual No. 595-682. The new instruction steps given replace only the specified step numbers in the manual. All other steps remain as originally written.

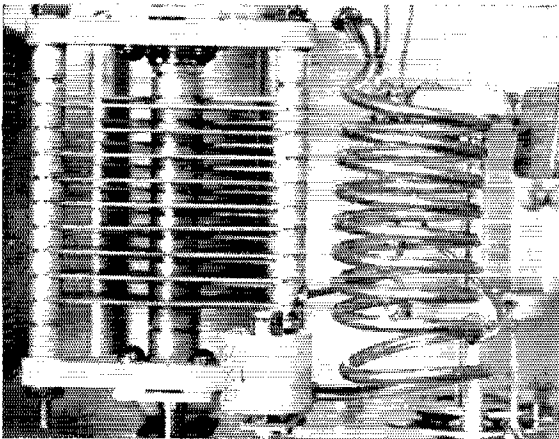
- 1) Prior to step 1, p. 18, insert a new step: Modify the plate tuning capacitor (26-96) as previously mentioned in this text.
- 2) Step 1, p. 23: Connect a 2-inch bare wire from lug 1 of coil AG (S-1) to lugs B3 of switch AK (NS).
- 3) Step 2, p. 23: Connect a 3-inch bare wire from lug 2 of coil AG (S-1) to lugs B2 of switch AK (S-1).
- 4) Eliminate step 3, p. 23.
- 5) Step 8, p. 23: Locate the 10-15-meter final tank coil (40-596). Pass the center wire of this coil through lugs B4 of switch AK (NS).



- 6) Step 10, p. 23: Position the end of the coil opposite the solder lug, between lugs B3 of switch AK (S-2).
- 7) Step 11, p. 23: Now solder lugs B4 of switch AK (S-1).
- 8) At this point insert a new step: Add a new tap at 1 turn from end of 10-15-meter coil (solder lug end) and connect to lugs B5 of switch AK (S-1). Use No. 14 bare wire.
- 9) Step 17, p. 36: Referring to detail 10A, install the (40-72S) coil at CB. Press the coil until the retaining clips snap into place.
- 10) Step 18, p. 36: In like manner install the (40-72T) coil at CC.
- 11) Step 19, p. 36: Install the (40-593) coil at CD.
- 12) Eliminate step 20, p. 36, and substitute: Install the 6-meter cathode coil at CA.
- 13) Step 22, p. 36: Connect a 68-pf. mica ca-

Modified input circuit. Cathode coils are positioned in an "L" around the band-switch wafer. The new 6-meter coil, L_6 , positioned in location CA which is located in the upper left portion of the photograph. The relocation of the other coils is discussed in the text.





Modified plate circuit. Note that plates have been removed from the large tuning capacitor, C_{25} . The new tap on the coil, L_6 , is for 6-meter operation.

pacitor from lug 2 of coil CB (NS) to lug 1 of solder lug AE (NS).

- 14) Insert a new step: Connect a 20-pf. mica capacitor, C_x , from lug 2 of coil CA (NS) to lug 1 of solder lug AE (S-2).
- 15) Step 23, p. 36: Connect a 75-pf. mica capacitor from lug 2 of coil CC (NS) to lug 2 of solder lug AE (NS).
- 16) Step 24, p. 36: Connect a 200-pf. mica capacitor from lug 2 of coil CD (NS) to lug 2 of solder lug AF (NS).
- 17) Eliminate step 25, p. 36.
- 18) Step 1, p. 38: Connect a 360-pf. mica capacitor from lug 1 of coil CD (NS) to lug 2

of solder lug AE (S-2).

19) Eliminate step 2, p. 38.

This completes the additions to the instruction manual.

Performance

The SB-200 is easily driven on 6 meters by a Heath SB-110A. The amplifier's indicated grid current is 60-70 ma. With this amount of drive, the amplifier can be loaded to at least 900 watts d.c. input. A Swan 250 or any other 6-meter exciter in this power class should also drive the amplifier adequately. All tuning procedures described by Heath apply to the modified amplifier. For approximate reference only, the dial readings on my SB-200 are: **LOAD**-6¾ and **TUNE**-about ¼-inch below the 10-meter white line toward the minimum capacitor setting. The indicated power output is 450 watts into a Heath Antenna, as measured on a Bird Wattmeter. On-the-air reports indicate that the quality of the Heath SB-110A is faithfully reproduced and adequately amplified by the SB-200.

This modification in no way affects the operation of the amplifier on the remaining low-frequency bands. While a little improvement may be obtained from a linear built for 6 meters alone, this unit makes a more than satisfactory compromise.

The author wishes to thank Frank Guenger, W2PNQ, for his efforts and assistance in this conversion, and Link Cundall, W2QY, for his photography. Circuit diagrams and original manual-type instructions are courtesy of the Heath Company.

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NEW BOOKS

Adventures With Electronics, by Walter B. Ford. Published by The Bruce Publishing Co., 400 N. Broadway, Milwaukee, Wis. 53201. 184 pages, including index, 6¼ + 9½ inches, hard cover.

Here is indeed a fascinating book. While intended primarily for the Industrial Arts student who is presumed to have some knowledge of electronics and who is reasonably handy with shop tools, radio amateurs, whether Novice or old timer, will be surely tempted to undertake some of these projects.

In all there are thirty-six projects which may be undertaken. These range from a simple gold-leaf electroscope to a magnet which will attract non-ferrous metals. A "brass" magnet? Well, here it is and it is a very interesting thing. I'm afraid I'm going to have to build one myself!

All the projects are clearly illustrated with photos, a lucid description of how they work, detailed constructional drawings and instructions on how to adjust and operate the device. Each chapter, at the end, has a list of questions for the student.

One project is the construction of a Copper and Nickel Electroplater. This should appeal to many who enjoy a basement shop. In restoring antique radios, etc., sometimes the nickel plating on binding

posts is so thin that any attempt to polish them reveals the base metal beneath. Made to order for this job. The chemicals needed are easily obtained.

In the appendix is given a list of suppliers for some of the things needed which may not be available locally.

— W1A.VA

Feedback

The company listed in footnote 4 to Hayward's "Direct Conversion—A Neglected Technique," November 1968 *QST*, can no longer supply toroidal coil forms for T_1 and T_2 . However, a kit of two suitable toroids (type T-50-6) is available for \$1.00, postpaid, from Amidon Associates, 12033 Otsego Street, North Hollywood, California 91607. In addition, Amidon Associates can supply for \$1.00, postpaid, a kit of two suitable toroids (type T-68-2) for $L_1L_2L_3$ and L_4L_5 .

The calls W3FU and W5NW should have been included in the "C.W. Certificate Winners" list in the Armed Forces Day 1968 article in *QST* for November 1968.

Due to an unfortunate error, Stanley Walderman, WA6HWX, ex-W2AME, 2AME, was listed in the "Silent Keys" column in *QST* for September 1968. Stan is quite alive and active.

The DX Gutter Getter

Broadband Top-Loaded Vertical for 40

BY CHARLES L. GARDNER,* K6DY/WJ0ZWK

A VERTICAL antenna has several advantages over a horizontal antenna at the lower frequencies (7 MHz. and lower). It needs little space, it can be made so as to require no supporting structures, and it has good low-angle radiating properties compared to a horizontal antenna at a reasonable height above ground. Another attractive feature is that it can be constructed of large-diameter material, which contributes considerably toward broadband characteristics.

Convenient and inexpensive large-diameter material is corrugated galvanized rain pipe, sometimes known locally as "gutter leader," or "downspout." This material may be obtained in either round or rectangular cross section. While either type may be used, the rectangular type is somewhat more rigid. In joining sections of this pipe together to obtain sufficient antenna

length, it is necessary to use internal stiffening blocks at the joints, and these blocks can usually be more easily made if they are rectangular, rather than round.

The rain pipe normally comes in 10-foot lengths, but I found a bargain in 8-foot lengths. Three of these lengths were used, as shown in Fig. 1, to give a height of 23 feet 7 inches, allowing a 2½-inch overlap at each joint.

At 7 MHz., an antenna of this length, being shorter than ¼ wavelength, exhibits a relatively low radiation resistance (20 ohms or less), and a relatively high series capacitive reactance (150 ohms or more). Low radiation resistance is particularly undesirable in a grounded antenna system, because the transmitter output power is divided between useful power in the antenna and power lost in the ground-system resistance in proportion to their respective resistances. With a radiation resistance of 20 ohms, and a ground resistance of 10 ohms (a not uncommon value), one third of the transmitter output power is lost in the ground connection. Additionally, the combination of low radiation resistance and high series reactance makes efficient feeding difficult, since the coil that must be used to offset the series capacitive reactance, so that power can be readily coupled into the antenna, introduces additional resistance loss.

Top Loading

It is not necessary to increase the physical length of the antenna to obtain an increase in radiation resistance and a reduction in series reactance. These objectives can be achieved through increasing the electrical length of the antenna by the addition of capacitive loading at the top of the antenna. In this instance, the capacitive "hat" consists of hardware cloth (coarse galvanized mesh) formed into a cylinder.

In this particular case, the addition of the "hat" resulted in an antenna resonance at 6907 kHz., indicating that the electrical length had been increased to slightly over ¼ wavelength at 7150 kHz. When this arrangement was fed with RG-8/U 50-ohm line, the s.w.r. was found to be slightly less than 2 to 1 over the entire 40-meter band, illustrating the value of the large conductor diameter, in respect to broadbanding.

The losses in RG-8/U at 7 MHz. are increased negligibly by a 2-to-1 mismatch. However, depending on the length of the line, there may be some trouble in loading transmitters that have

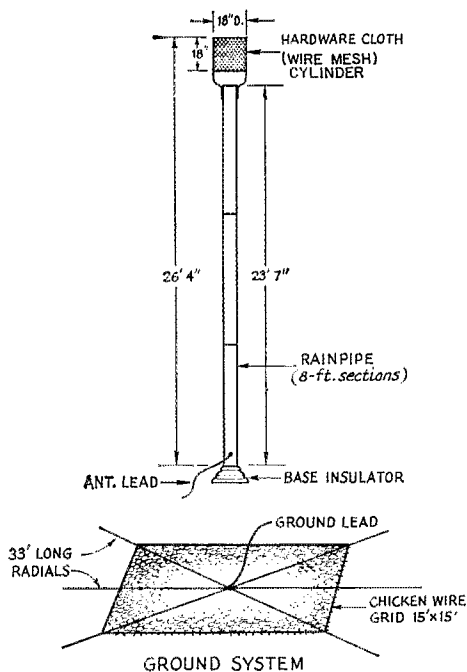


Fig. 1—Dimensions of the "Gutter Getter" antenna and ground system.

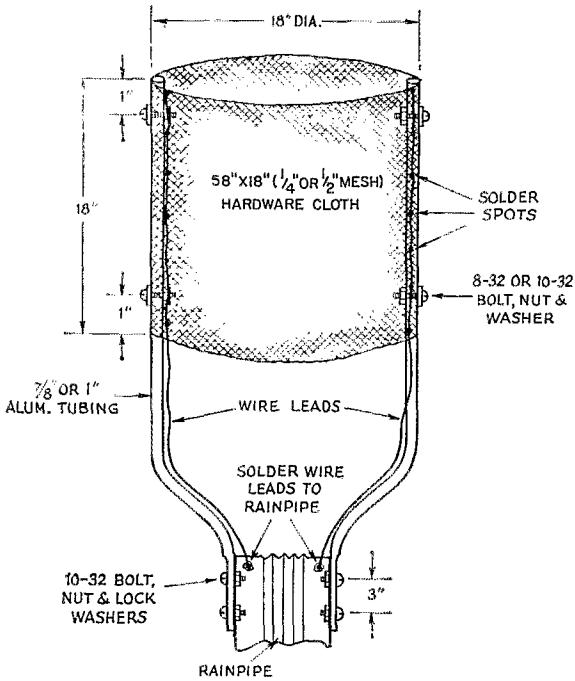


Fig. 2—Constructional details of the capacitive hat.

small tolerance for departures from a 50-ohm resistive load. In my case, I found that a series-tuned circuit between the base of the antenna and the center conductor of the line, to tune the antenna to resonance at 7150 kHz, and wash out the reactive component of the antenna load, was all that was required. This brought the s.w.r. down to 1.4 to 1 (a result of the remaining resistive mismatch). The largest variable capacitor available should be used in the series circuit, and the coil should have the minimum number of turns that will permit tuning the antenna to resonance at 7150 kHz. If a more accurate match is necessary to obtain proper loading, an L network can be used.¹

If 10-foot rain-pipe sections are used, it should not be necessary to cut them to the shorter length, unless it is desired to limit the height for mechanical reasons. As a matter of fact, the radiation resistance increases, and the low-angle radiation improves as the electrical length approaches $\frac{1}{2}$ wavelength.² A much longer electrical length, however, would make a matching network at the base mandatory.

Construction

The rain-pipe sections cannot be telescoped sufficiently to provide adequate mechanical strength at the joints. To reinforce the joints,

¹Gorton, "L Networks for Reactive Loads," *QST*, Sept., 1966.

²Nickle, Dome and Brown, "Control of Radiating Properties of Antennas," *I.R.E. Proceedings*, Dec., 1934.

Dome, "Increased Radiating Efficiency for Short Antennas," *QST*, Sept., 1934.

18-inch lengths of 2 × 4 lumber were trimmed down to make a snug fit inside the pipe. At each joint, the stiffening block was inserted halfway into the top end of one section, and fastened in place with wood screws. The second section was then slid over the projecting end of the block, rammed tightly into the first section, and fastened with wood screws, after making sure that the sections were in alignment.

A good electrical connection between sections should be assured by bridging the joint with metal straps. I used lengths of tinned copper braid soldered to the pipe, one strap on each of the four sides of the rain pipe.

The Capacitive Hat

Fig. 2 is a rough sketch of the capacitive-hat assembly. The cylinder can be made of $\frac{1}{4}$ - or $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch galvanized hardware cloth obtainable at most hardware stores. The cylinder is supported on a pair of 39-inch lengths of 1-inch aluminum tubing, bent to the required shape. The ends of the tubing are flattened and drilled for mounting bolts. To assure good electrical contact, No. 14 bare wire was threaded back and forth through the mesh for the entire length of the cylinder, and soldered at frequent intervals. The lead ends were then soldered to the rain pipe.

Base Mounting

Fig. 3 shows the arrangement that I used for mounting the antenna. The insulator is a large deck insulator that was found in surplus. But any insulator of adequate mechanical strength may be used. Chipped, but otherwise satisfactory insulators can sometimes be picked up at power-company supply yards. Even a large heavy bottle can be made to serve by fitting a wood block several inches thick into the bottom end of the rain pipe, using a bolt through the upper end of the block to hold it in place, and reaming out a hole in the bottom end of the block that will allow the block to fit well down on the shoulder of the bottle. As an alternative, a heavy board, or a metal plate, supported on several smaller insulators, may be used as a mounting.

Guying

The antenna is guyed at the junction of the second and third sections. The three guys must be insulated from the rain pipe, of course. The insulators are attached by means of loops of wire around the pipe. If the woodscrews used for fastening the stiffening block are backed out a turn or two, they will provide projections to keep the insulator tie loops from sliding down on the pipe.

Ground System

With an antenna of this type, a good ground connection is essential. The ground system that I installed (see Fig. 1) consists of eight radials of bare wire of a length at least as long as the antenna, plus a 15-foot square screen of galvanized chicken wire. The screen and the base

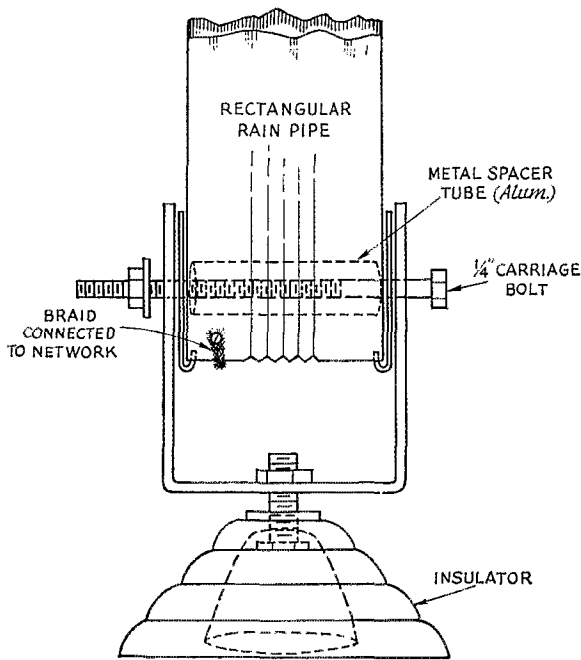


Fig. 3—Method of antenna mounting used by the author. The bolt holes in the rain pipe should be oversize, but those in the mounting bracket and the hooked hanger brackets should be reasonably snug. The distance between the hole and the hook in each hanger bracket should be such that the weight of the antenna is supported at the hooks, rather than at the bolt hole in the rain pipe. The main bracket should be of steel at least $\frac{1}{8}$ inch thick, and 1 inch wide. The hanger brackets should be almost as wide as the rain pipe. The large internal cylindrical metal spacer prevents crushing of the rain pipe when the bolt is tightened. Other methods of mounting are suggested in the text.

of the antenna should be centered on the junction of the radials. The radials were buried by opening up slits in the earth with a spade, and tamping the slits closed after laying the radials.

The screen is made up of several strips of chicken wire laced together with wire, and soldered at frequent intervals. The chicken wire is most easily buried by laying the screen flat on the ground, and covering it with several inches of earth.

The radials should be soldered together and to the screen, and a heavy lead should be brought out for soldering to the outer conductor of the coaxial line.

Raising the Antenna

The antenna should be erected in a spot that is as clear of surrounding objects as possible. If the base arrangement shown in Fig. 3 is used, and the insulator is sufficiently husky to stand the strain, the antenna can be hinged up, using two of the guy wires to assist in the raising. A helper should be ready to fasten the other guy as soon as the antenna reaches the vertical position. With other base arrangements, it may be necessary to chuck the bottom of the antenna while it is being raised, and then lift it onto the insu-

lator.

In several months of on-the-air tests with stations in U.S.S.R., Japan, New Zealand, Australia, Alaska, and South America, as well as with many stations across the States (apparently I'm asleep when the paths to Europe and Africa are open), the vertical antenna has consistently outperformed an inverted-V dipole used for comparison. The improvement has invariably been not less than one S point, and frequently as much as two or three S units.

80-Meter Operation

Although the efficiency will be lower, this antenna can be fed on 80 meters by inserting a loading coil between the base of the antenna and ground. A coil of 20 to 30 μ h. will be required. With the coil adjusted for antenna resonance, a match can be obtained by tapping the line on the coil.

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Strays

Teaching The Code Isn't Always Easy

Teaching someone to become an amateur radio operator isn't always easy, especially when that someone is my wife! Several months ago she became interested in amateur radio and requested that I help her toward obtaining a license. I told her that, first, it would be necessary to learn the code; then I would get her started on elementary theory and regulations. I gave her a copy of the code and access to my code oscillator. She gave it everything she had, so last week I decided to give her a code test,

on sending only, to determine what progress she was making. I had her send the familiar sentence, "Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their country." She went through this sentence very slowly, but every letter was quite distinct. Following the sentence she sent a series of dots and dashes. I inquired as to why she had sent them, and she replied, "Well, I had to go back and dot the Is and cross the Ts! Code practice was suspended until a later date. — Arvin C. Smith, W5UCZ, 2006 Houston St., El Dorado, Arkansas 71730.



January 1944

... K. B. Warner's editorial this month again takes up the matter of post-war planning, a subject which was broached a couple of issues ago. This time, he discusses the possibility of lowering the legal limit of power, say to 200 watts. Undoubtedly this will create somewhat of a furor among the high power boys, but nevertheless he is inviting correspondence on the subject. The case for and against is lengthily discussed.

... Louis H. Roth, W2DKH, has a little WERS rig which operates directly from 110 volts, either a.c. or d.c. A 70L7 and a 12J5 are the tubes. Some problems concerning hum were solved by carefully positioning some of the components.

... Some time ago, QST solicited authentic stories of hams in combat. It has taken quite a while to get some of these pieced together, but we have enough to start the publication of some. In this issue are presented three exciting true stories. Recommended reading these.

... More on light-beam communication, by James P. Saunders, W1BDV. Mostly he reviews the basic facts of optics and then shows how to use a camera

as part of the transmitting system whereby the angle of the light beam is greatly reduced and intensified at the same time.

... William R. Moody takes up the question of logarithms. These are not difficult at all and many computations are enormously simplified by their use. Main reason for having such a dissertation is the frequency with which logarithms are encountered in radio theory.

... Audio frequency generation by the use of motor-driven notched wheels or perforated disks is described by Paul J. Palmer, W8UGR. There are many uses for such audio frequencies around the shack. The tones can be varied and mixed together if desired. I used to use one of these for modulating a 5-meter rig. The harmonic content of the tones can be controlled by the shape of the notches or teeth.

... The problem of ignition noise on the v.h.f. and u.h.f. is quite elaborately covered by Charles M. Dean, ex-W1AMN. A number of oscillograms are shown to help the reader understand what is taking place. The elimination or reduction of this noise is thoroughly taken up.


... To find out what various companies have been doing to further the war effort, you can read a nice article describing the activities of many companies familiar to the radio amateur. A lot of photos show the presentation of the Army-Navy E award for outstanding production. Reminds me that the Maxim Silencer Company, founded by Hiram Percy Maxim, also received this award — with four stars! — W1ANA

ARRL SOUTHEASTERN DIVISION CONVENTION TROPICAL HAMBOREE Miami, Florida January 18-19, 1969

The Southeastern Division Convention ninth annual Tropical Hamboree will be held Saturday and Sunday, January 18 & 19, at the Miami Bayfront Park Auditorium. Activities are many and varied to cover all phases of the amateur radio field. Forums, tech talks and meetings are scheduled for DX, VHF, FM, SSB, MARS, NTS, ARPSC, QCWA, OOTC and the ever young XYLs. The ARRL meeting will be led off by S.E. Div. Director Bolvin and Vice-Director Hamel. ARRL's Executive Committee members, meeting during the Convention, will also participate.

For the rag-chewers and bargain hunters there will be a station on the air manned by the Dade County ARPSC and a giant swap shop.

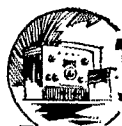
Festivities will include a banquet and dance Saturday evening at the headquarters hotel. By popular demand the banquet will be served "buffet style" with a varied menu selection to satisfy appetites of all convention goers. Following the dinner/dance, at midnight, the initiation of the Royal Order of the Wouff Hong will be presented by those terrifyin' QCWAers.

Headquarters hotel is The Everglades at 244 Biscayne Boulevard: special rates are \$10.00 single, \$14.00 double, no deposit required. Convention registration is \$1.50 and Dinner/Dance tickets are \$7.50. For tickets and hotel reservations write to Dade Radio Club, P.O. Box 73, Biscayne Annex, Miami, Fla. 33152. Requests for reservations should include arrival date. 

Strays



ARRL prexy W0DX flashed a victory smile at the Roanoke Division Convention last September while holding aloft his plaque for top North American single-operator c.w. score in the 1968 ARRL International DX Competition (while operating VP2VL). Making the presentation (on the left) was ARRL General Manager W1LVQ, with approbation from (right) League Vice President W4MWH. (Photo by W4PED)



Recent Equipment



To acquaint you with the technical features of current amateur gear.

Heath HW-100 Transceiver



THIS five-band s.s.b./c.w. transceiver bridges the gap between the popular HW-series single-band transceivers and the more sophisticated SB-101 package, i.e., five-band operation is offered, but at a price that is somewhat lower than that of the SB-101. Despite the attractive price tag of the HW-100, there is no evidence of mediocre quality in the design, or in the choice of the component parts. In fact, the constructor may scratch his head in wonderment as the assembly of the kit progresses, trying to rationalize how the manufacturer is able to offer such a versatile unit for so modest a price.

Because there is a great deal of similarity between the circuits of the HW-100, and the SB-100¹ described in an earlier issue of *QST*, a

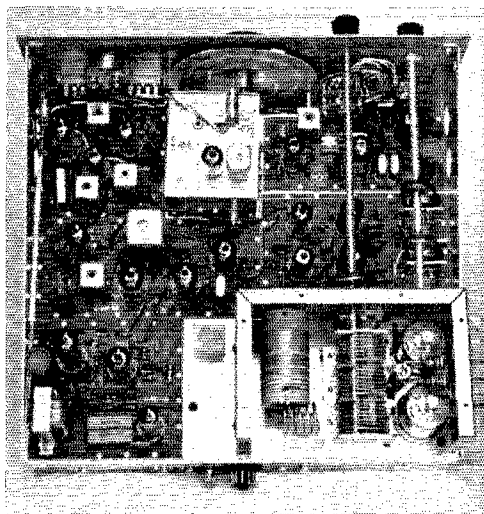
¹"The Heathkit SB-100 Transceiver," *QST*, September 1966, page 45. The SB-100 was succeeded by the SB-101.

blow-by-blow circuit description will not be repeated here. The significant differences will be treated, and some additional features will be highlighted.

Each amateur band is tuned in 500-kHz. sections except for the 10-meter band which is tuned in four 500-kHz. steps. Each dial division is equal to 5 kHz. Calibration is made possible by a built-in 100-kHz. oscillator and a front-panel zero-set adjuster.

Referring to the block diagram, some component sharing can be observed between the transmitting and receiving channels. The 2.1-kHz. crystal filter has a center frequency of 3.395 MHz. and is used for both transmitting and receiving. A common i.f. amplifier, V_3 , a bandpass filter, PL_2 , and the v.f.o. and its amplifier are shared by the two channels. The driver plate and grid tuned circuits are shared by the receiver's r.f. stage, V_{10} , during receive, making peaking of the driver a simple task since it may need but slight touching up after peaking its tuned circuits during receive.

It was gratifying, indeed, to note the widespread use of tried and proven circuits in this transceiver. One example of hybridization can be seen in this unit — the v.f.o. It uses an MPF-105 junction FET as an oscillator, Fig. 1. The v.f.o. output is amplified by a 6AU6 buffer which operates class A. This combination results in a practical form of symbiosis since the v.f.o. transistor is powered by the voltage developed in the 6AU6 cathode circuit. This voltage is regulated by a 2N3393 which is connected to act as a Zener diode. The v.f.o. is extremely stable and meets the specifications set forth in the instruction manual. One distinct advantage to the use of a JFET in the oscillator is that there are no filaments to introduce 60-Hz. f.m. on the v.f.o. signal. That undesirable condition is frequently encountered in "hot-cathode" (Clapp and Colpitts) v.f.o.s when the oscillator tube has excessive heater-cathode leakage during a.c. filament operation. Since the HW-100 v.f.o. operates from d.c. only, its signal is pure. It is unlikely that hum modulation will ever be caused by the a.c.-operated buffer-stage filaments of V_{20} .



Viewing the top area of the chassis, the v.f.o. assembly is at the upper center of the photo. The p.a. compartment is at the lower right. There is plenty of room in the final-amplifier cage to allow the free flow of air, and to eliminate any need to locate the tuned-circuit inductors too close to the compartment walls. This arrangement contributes to better tuned-circuit Q.

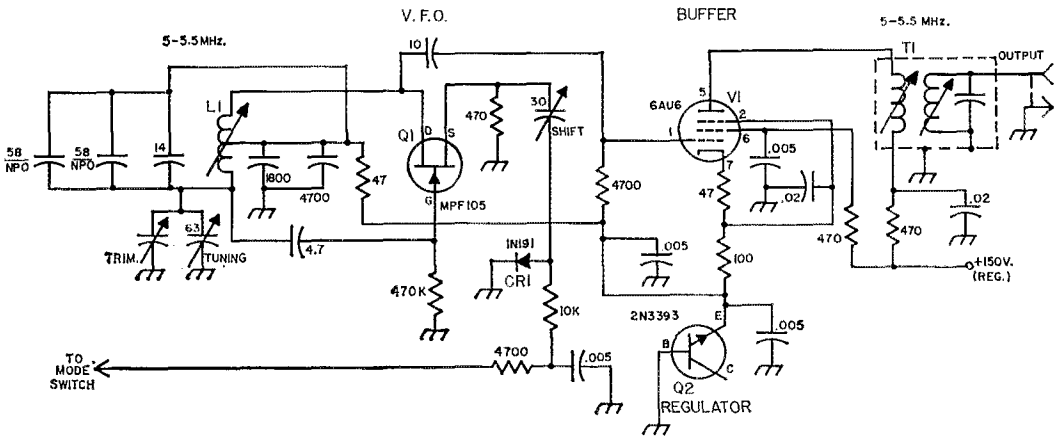


Fig. 1—Schematic diagram of the HW-100 hybrid v.f.o. An MPF105 JFET serves as the v.f.o. and is powered by voltage taken from the cathode circuit of the 6AU6 buffer stage. Q₂ is connected to act as a Zener-diode regulator. CR₁ performs as a switch when changing sidebands.

cient for all of the wiring. A 100-watt iron (or larger) will be needed for one step in the assembly—soldering two metal pulleys to a 1/4-inch diameter control shaft.

Servicing

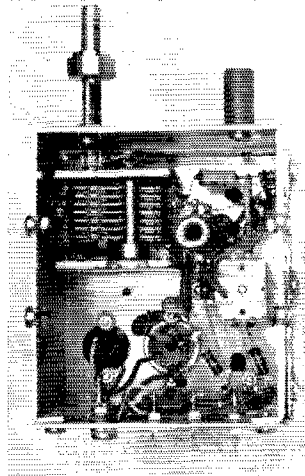
It should not be difficult to maintain the HW-100 if one has a general knowledge of how the circuit functions. There is a rather complete cause-and-effect section in the manual to help isolate any trouble area. Individual schematic diagrams are given for each important section of the transmitter and receiver. To aid in rapid identification of the circuit-board components, an X-ray view of each board is given, showing where each component connects to the foil element it is related to. The book has a complete

10-meter band, and has a suitable diameter-to-winding-length ratio for good Q. A.l.c. voltage is developed in the p.a. grid circuit and provides 10 db. or more of control at 0.1-ma. of p.a. grid current.

Building the Kit

It shouldn't take the average builder more than 40 hours to wire this transceiver. The more experienced ham should be able to wrap this project up in 28 or 30 hours, as was true in the writer's case. The use of circuit boards (9) and a wiring harness greatly speeds up the assembly of this kit.

Step-by-step instructions are given in clear language throughout the manual. These instructions are complemented by numerous layout drawings, all of which have good detail. Each circuit board is treated independently, and the parts which mount on a particular board are packaged separately and numbered accordingly. This means that only one set of parts need be unpacked at a time. A standard card table was large enough for use as an assembly bench for the entire project, mainly because only a few components were lying loose at one time. A minimum number of individual hookup wires and coaxial cables require preparation by the builder, making the wiring process a lot less boring than it might ordinarily be. Happily, everything went together well, indicating that care was given to the drilling of the holes and the machining of the various brackets and other metal parts. There were no shortages of parts in this kit. Though several packages of solder are furnished for the project, the amount needed is well calculated. This builder had exactly 6 inches of solder left after the last wire was in place! A 30-watt pencil-type soldering iron was suffi-



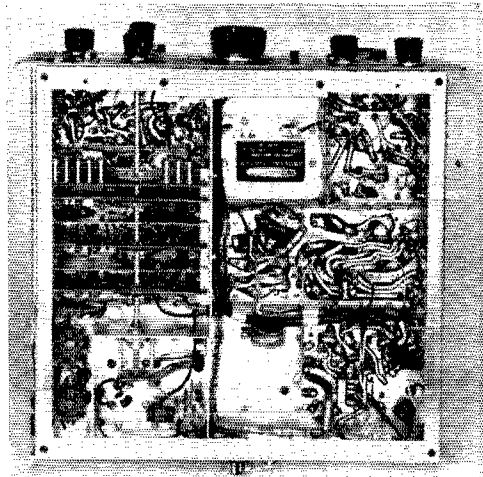
This inside view of the HW-100 v.f.o. box shows the variable capacitor at the upper left. Mechanical stops prevent the capacitor from tuning the upper and lower extremes of its range, thus utilizing only the linear portion of its available capacitance. The MPF105 transistor is attached to the terminal strip at the upper right. The box is made of heavy-gauge aluminum stock. This results in a rigid assembly and assures good mechanical stability.

list of the components used in the transceiver. Each part is numbered and is listed with its individual price at the end of the booklet. These parts can be purchased from Heath should they require replacement.

Testing and Performance

The final moment of truth comes when the constructor connects the transceiver to its power supply and applies the operating voltages. In this instance a Heathkit HP-23 supply was built (approximately four hours construction and checkout time required) and used. With a certain amount of apprehension the "wick was lit" and, happily, no sparks flew, nor did any thin tendrils of smoke arise from the chassis. Following the step-by-step procedure outlined in the instruction manual, all tests went smoothly except for a slight problem which occurred during tuneup of the 40-meter heterodyne oscillator. It turned out that a defective coil (missing jumper) was supplied with the unit, preventing the heterodyne oscillator from receiving plate voltage on that band. Addition of the missing wire immediately cured the problem. A call to the manufacturer indicated that a few such coils had turned up during a quality-control check of material received from their supplier. Steps were immediately taken to correct the problem. This kit was apparently one of the few in which the defective part was supplied.

All other tests went smoothly except for two minor wiring errors caused by the tired eyes of the builder during a late-hour assembly session



Looking into the bottom half of the chassis, the p.a. grid compartment is at the lower left of the photo. Directly ahead of it are the four circuit boards (vertically mounted) which contain the band switches, heterodyne crystals, and the tuned circuits for the mixer and driver stages. The black box at the upper center of the photo is the crystal bandpass filter. The VOX controls are mounted on the aluminum strip which connects the front and rear aprons of the chassis (far right of photo).

Heath HW-100 Transceiver

Height: $6\frac{5}{16}$ inches.

Width: $11\frac{13}{16}$ inches.

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

Weight: $17\frac{1}{2}$ pounds.

Power Requirements: 700 to 850 volts d.c. at 250 ma., 300 volts d.c. at 150 ma., -115 volts d.c. at 10 ma., 12 volts a.c. or d.c. at 1.76 amperes.

Price Class: \$210.00

Manufacturer: Heath Company, Benton Harbor, Michigan.

one evening—a reversed diode and a shield jumper that didn't quite make it to chassis ground.

The transmitter turned out to be extremely stable on all bands and neither neutralizing capacitor required more than slight adjustment. Plenty of drive is available on all bands and the p.a. runs at full input power with drive to spare. A word of caution: One wafer of the band switch is installed differently than the rest (180 degree rotation from the others), as stated in the instructions. This is the heterodyne oscillator plate circuit switch. A report from a ham who built the HW-100 indicated that he was unable to peak the receiver, and could not obtain any drive during transmit. It turned out that the switch wafer had been improperly installed. Watch for this step during assembly.

On-the-air tests of the receiver showed that it had good immunity to cross talk and overload on all bands, even though the ARRL lab is close to several strong a.m. broadcast stations. No i.f. leakthrough could be detected, and no images were noted during these tests. Receiver sensitivity is good on all bands: a 0.1- μ v. signal from a generator provided room-volume audio from the transceiver's outboard speaker. A 50- μ v. signal gave a reading of S9, -3 db., on all bands.

Final proof-of-performance tests came when the HW-100 was connected to the spectrum analyzer. The third- and fifth-order products were well within the manufacturer's specifications --36 db. down from p.e.p. output. This test was made at 100 watts p.e.p. output, though it was discovered that somewhat more power output was possible before objectionable distortion occurred. Carrier suppression was exactly what the book states, 45 db. down from single-tone output.

As far as appearance goes, this equipment has the traditional neat-looking Heath trapping. The cabinet is finished in dark green, and the panel has a contrasting light green paint job. This package should gladden the heart of any radio amateur who elects to use a five-band transceiver for mobile or fixed-station use. For mobile operation a Heath HP-13 d.c. supply can be used. — WICER.

C.W. —

An Art Form

BY ALBERT KAHN,* K4FW ex-W8DUS

ANY dedicated c.w. enthusiast knows that c.w. is one of the arts. There are many players and a few true artists representing the several schools: Lake Erie Revival, Bug Traditionalist, and the Electronic Keyer Modern. Then, of course, there are the ultra-sophisticated avantgarde Squeezekeyers.

Each of these groups, in its own way, makes a symphony of the transmitted word. Certainly, it eclipses opera in its dramatic appeal and sheer beauty.

Hams know that in no other medium could "RST 579 Watseka Ill name Bill Rig Valiant dipole ant hw?" be thrilling. Not profound, perhaps, but exciting and spine tingling. A tremendous emotional impact.

The expressiveness of the straight key — the heightened emphasis of the last dash in a letter, when executed by a former car-ferry operator, is an experience long remembered. The crisp, almost metallic machine-gun sound of the bug is stirring. The breath-taking splendor of perfect sending on an electronic keyer could surely cause teen-age girls to scream.

It is really not right for the privileged few of us to keep this exciting Art Form from the public. How thrilling it would be for the serious music lover to sit through an evening of c.w.

Here is what could happen:

The tired business man arrives home from a rough day at the office. His XYL announces, "Good news, dear, I was finally able to get two seats to the c.w. concert tonight."

"Good, what's playing?"

"Oh, it's tremendous," she replies, "a new modern group with W9BUD conducting. He is the one, you know, who spaces his key paddle a hundred thousandths of an inch. You can't tell dots from dashes. The girls at the beauty parlor were talking about him."

"Gosh, what's next?"

"The real feature tonight is that famous quartet, W9IOP, W3BES, W4KFC and W5WZQ. They are sending 'Home on the Ranger', 'Duplicate Blues' and 'Where O Where is a VES?'"

"Sounds terrific. Are my tails back from the cleaner?"

"I have tickets for next week, too," she continues. "That will be another great evening. Just think, W1BIH, KH6IJ and W2QHH will be here in person with W1YYM as the featured soloist. They will send ballads and have HK6AI



for the prologue. There is supposed to be a beautiful QRМ cacaphony accompaniment done by a group of W6s who have been practicing for many years."

She added, "They are going to do 'The Open Open Wire Line' 'The Bug in the Rig' and the 'Smoking Transformer'."

"Fantastic program," he replied. "They are all lovely old favorites. I hope that they have W4OWE at the b.f.o. pitch again."

"Actually," he continues, "those numbers have a great deal of pathos and character. I like them so much better than the tragedy they did last year."

"Wasn't that awful?"

"Yes, especially the part when the Albanian came back with a QRZ? to W5EZE and then was lost forever in the pile-up."

"Don't talk about it. I wake up in the night thinking about it. Fortunately, we didn't take the children."

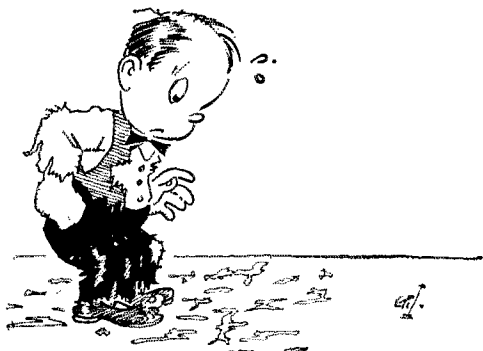
"Why spoil a magnificent program with a gruesome story. You would think that the classic beauty of c.w. would be enough."

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The Good Old Wireless Days

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"IF YOU DIDN'T RELEASE THE KEY IN TIME, ACID WOULD POUR ON THE FLOOR"

YOU wouldn't believe the amount of skepticism, and hostility, about "wireless telegraphy" when I came on the air in 1908.

A brief history: My father died when I was three and my mother, a school teacher, had her hands full with the young electrical experimenter, turned "radio ham," although the expression was unheard of in those days.

It started in De Kalb, Illinois. Our family had rented the top floor of a three story house. Using tennis shoes, I climbed the steep, shingled roof (I was much more daring in those days) to rope a pole to the brick chimney to support one end of my antenna.

I made so many changes in my antenna that I decided to eliminate the climbing. I tied a rope around the chimney and left it dangling where it could be easily reached from a back porch. I used that rope so much that it wore a path in the shingles, and an unsympathetic landlord complained to my mother. Wistfully, she inquired of me,

"How much money would it cost to erect a permanent aerial? Perhaps, I can supply the money, if it is not too much."

As my only income was a paper route, I quickly took her up on that offer.

Soon after, we moved to Decatur, Illinois, where I had an ideal QTH (although that expression was also unheard of in those ancient days). My mother had rented a whole house at the top of a hill. The landlord lived next door, but that was a mistake.

I had three 60-foot poles in my back yard. They were really only successive poles. The first two blew down, one after the other. The final pole was erected firmly, and consisted of heavy timber,

with three guys at each joint. When we had to move I could not get it down and had to chop it down.

You might ask me, "Where did you get the money to buy those poles?" The first two were made of lumber borrowed from a house under construction across the street. By "borrowed," I do not mean "stolen." Lumber was so cheap, that the friendly carpenters were glad to donate lumber to the cause. They even came over after work to help me erect the poles. They asked,

"Honestly, now, do you mean to claim that you really can communicate, without using connecting wires?"

Tourists were shown the pole and wires in that back yard on the hill with the explanation,

"That crazy Kirk kid thinks he can telegraph through the air, but any fool knows that can't be done!"

When the first, flimsy pole started to sway around in those blizzards we had in Decatur, my heart swayed with it. When it crashed, the landlord's chicken coop next door got in the way. From that time on, that unfeeling gent lost all enthusiasm for the scientific progress of young America.

Then when I put together a big transformer for my spark transmitter, and it took so much juice that it dimmed the lights (the landlord's, too, of course), he presented my mother with a bill for his electricity. I could not explain that the services were on different meters. His retort,

"I can see with my own eyes my electricity being sucked into your house. Seeing is believing!"

Wireless was, of course, only telegraphy and only a boy's hobby. I interested a few school chums and we learned the Morse code on the air. There was no radio law to prevent us. One of my friends was really terrible at learning. He had a big three by three foot telegraph code tacked on the wall of his shack, over the operating desk. When he got a letter, he searched all through that list to find out what it signified. Slow sending to him was a must.

Electrolytic interrupters were all the rage in those days. To make the device, you got a glass tube from the drug store, melted one end almost together in a gas flame, put a metal rod in the tube and mounted it in a jar of acid. An old wet battery was ideal for the purpose, with the prepared glass tube substituted for the zinc electrode. With the interrupter in series with the a.c. line and a transformer primary, you could produce high voltage for your spark. There was one disadvantage. When you pressed the key, the acid rose in the tube. If you did not release the

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key in time, acid would pour on the floor. Not good for rugs. Some bright boy took to using 3 foot tubes and sitting the jar on the floor. "L" in the Morse code is an extra long dash. The standard "L" of our slow sender was when the acid reached the top of the three-foot tube. I made a discovery and wrote it up for *Modern Electrics*. By heating the side of the tube, and blowing in the open end, a hole would result. The acid ran back into the jar again.

When I "carried papers" for the *Decatur Review*, I and my fellow employees were provided with hooks for "starts" and "stops", some of the boys pasted pictures of their hobbies alongside the hooks. For example, one boy was a budding taxidermist. I cut a headline from a wireless magazine and pasted it near my hook. The line was a startling "WIRELESS IS THE THING!" Everybody in the pressroom started to tease the life out of me. One would call, "Hey, Zeke, did you know that wireless is the thing?"

"Ah yes, indeed. Wireless is undoubtedly the thing!!"

About that time, I wrote a piece for the *Decatur Review*, titled.

"HOW TO BUILD A WIRELESS SENDING AND RECEIVING SET."

I timidly took it to the editor. He looked it over, and asked,

"Did you write this?"

I nodded.

"What is your name?"

Fearful that he was going to turn me over to the police, I nevertheless supplied my name. He said,

"We will run this in our Sunday feature section."

I got out of there in a hurry, for fear my youth would induce him to change his mind.

Next time, the boys started to kid me about wireless, Bill, the jolly circulation manager, put them in their place,

"When one of you bums writes a piece, and the Review prints it, you can talk. You'll probably be sweeping the streets in your old age."

My mother decided to convince a delegation of skeptical school teachers who were gathered in our home that her son really was communicating without wires. She brought them upstairs to my room and seated them in a circle. I handed the phones around. The local boys were busy with their spark transmitters. I was receiving them with my homebrew loose coupler and crystal detector. The pedagogues complained,

"All we can hear is short and long buzzes."

When I was in the eighth grade in the college town of De Kalb, Illinois, I interested the college professor of physics in my wireless experiments. He made arrangements for me to sit in on his college physics classes. There were times I could answer questions the other students couldn't answer. They were taking the course because it was obligatory. I was attending because I was interested.

I was teacher's pet in high school physics. My

teacher, Professor Hyslop, had been a land wire telegrapher, and I invited him to my station.

When I entered the University of Illinois, I found that Professor Hyslop had graduated, too, and to the same school! He had secured employment teaching physics at the University of Illinois. Military training was compulsory for the first two years. Professor Hyslop got me transferred to the Signal Corps. We had wire, wireless, semaphore and heliograph signalling. I rose to First Sergeant and was soon in charge of the mobile wireless outfit. We had a squad of cadets all trained to carry pieces of portable masts on their shoulders, like guns. At the command, "End Masts!" they would fit the pieces together. "Up masts!" and the poles would go up, the guys fastened. Soon, a portable antenna was ready.

On "Field Day" the "troops" would be all decked out in their pressed parade uniforms, white gloves and shined shoes. Inspection guaranteed this. The villagers would turn out to admire. A commercial photographer was on hand. His pictures were offered for sale in his street display window, next day. He took one picture showing me sitting cross-legged on the ground, with phones attached to an army wireless set, listening to messages coming from the armory two blocks away. FB DX! The Signal Corps cadets were grouped around me at attention. Townspeople were gaping in the background. The photographer evidently did not know about wireless, or if he did, probably disbelieved it, because he wrote in the negative, "FIRST AID CORPS"!! My mother kept that picture in her scrap book for years.

I could write a book about similar experiences!

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AMATEUR RADIO PUBLIC SERVICE CORPS

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THE CASE FOR PREPARING

IN last month's "Diary" there appeared a sentence which, when analyzed, provoked the subject for this month's column. It said: "Less than an hour after the tornado first touched down, amateurs were being organized to furnish communications for the stricken city." This was a prideful statement. And yet, if you stop to analyze it, isn't an hour quite a long time to start getting organized? In any case, shouldn't the amateurs already have *been* organized?

Oh, we're sure that in this case it was just a way of saying that amateurs were in action in less than an hour after the tornado struck, and we're just as sure that a competent, systematic job was done. But it is unfortunately true that there *are* many places—*too* many places—where organization takes place *after* the emergency strikes. In fact, this is largely the story of amateur radio emergency communication throughout our history. Emergency strikes, ham tinkerers offer their services, set up makeshift stations in temporary places, set up schedules and points of communications and as often as not, with their ingenuity and flair for improvising, save the day. The spontaneity of it all only adds to its glamor. The public press is often more impressed with this than thinking amateurs are with the fact that a little preparedness could result in a much better, more complete, more efficient and quicker-reacting service.

But how, you might well ask, can you prepare for an emergency when you never know when or where one is going to strike, or what kind of an emergency it will be? A good point. The extent of emergency preparedness is limited by these considerations, but not nullified. While you can't usually pinpoint when you are going to have a hurricane, or a snowstorm, or an earthquake or an industrial explosion or a riot, you can get your forces organized to the extent of knowing who is going to operate on what frequencies, how many mobiles or portables or hand-carrieds you have available, how the various groups will be alerted, whom each takes its orders from, what procedure will be used in conducting operations, what message format will be followed—and conduct drills and tests and simulated emergency exercises to assure yourself as well as you can that the organization can and will function under emergency conditions.

You can also make contacts around town to assure that officials of agencies or concerns apt to be affected by an emergency situation know of your availability and capability to be of assistance. There are *many* ways in which this can be done, but all of them require someone to make the contacts, to offer and provide the services and to make sure both your capabilities and limitations are understood and worked into any plans.

The case for preparedness is so obvious as almost not to require statement, and yet in emergency after emergency the amateur effort is spontaneous, unrehearsed, unorganized except on the spur of the moment. This is because (1) the number of amateurs unwilling to prepare but willing to participate when the real thing comes along is far greater than the number who do prepare and know how to participate effectively. The unprepared make all the noise, and noise is what attracts attention, while the minuscule prepared element is lost and unheeded in the clamor. This is all wrong, but what do you do about it?

Just one thing. Get more amateurs actively enrolled in the preparedness programs, so that unprepared zealots, regardless of their good intentions, will be a minority and may be kept in their place, while organizational leaders do the leading. Otherwise, you have the blind leading the blind, and no wonder there is confusion and chaos.

You might compare an emergency to a fire in the house. You never know when or where



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a fire is going to break out, or specifically what kind of a fire it will be. When it happens you have to improvise—stomp it out, douse it with a bucket of water, and if it's too far out of control you have to call the fire department and they show up with fire hoses and axes. Now fire hoses are a good thing; they put out fires. But not nearly so effectively or efficiently as a sprinkler system based on the house's regular plumbing.

We need an AREC and an NTS that is based on our regular "plumbing." That is, that operates all the time and is ready to go into emergency action at a moment's notice, that is ready to sprinkle any fire that breaks out, no matter when, or where or what. Less spectacular, perhaps, but more effective. Ten per cent of the amateurs is not enough to do the job. How about another 50% or so getting in on amateur radio preparedness programs? — *WINJM*.

National Traffic System

A number of short items, this month, to clean up the backlog of "tickler" notes in the NTS source material file.

Item 1: Might as well get this over with first. The piece on Vietnam traffic in Nov. *QST* got quite a reaction from some of the MARS people—principally Navy MARS. It seems there are three different MARSes, so we can't speak of MARS as an entity. The biggest bone of contention was the fourth paragraph, which proves that someone not only reads this column, but reads *all* (or almost all, anyway) of it. It seems that Navy MARS does *not* handle all its traffic through the Pentagon, that Vietnam traffic is collected at Naval District MARS stations on the west coast and relayed to Vietnam either direct or through a relay point in Hawaii. Air Force MARS, we are told, has a number of "gateway" stations on the west coast which provide the jumping-off point for Vietnam traffic.

Anyway, as a result of all this there is no change in the routing of Vietnam traffic through NTS. It still goes to RN6.

Item 2: Some months ago this column made mention of a recommendation made by the Eastern Area Staff of NTS to the effect that traffic should be listed by destination first, followed by the number of messages, to make it slightly easier for the NCS who keeps his NCS sheet in columns to know where to put the number the moment it is sent. For example, if a station reporting into ILN says "5 CHGO," the NCS has to wait until he hears Chicago before he can put the number in the Chicago column, and by that time the station is sending another number. But if the station says "CHGO 5," the NCS knows immediately in which column to put the 5. When a QNI involves mixed precedences, the beauty of this is even more apparent. Imagine the confusion of a poor NCS if someone should report into a net and give his traffic list as "1P 3P2 4R CHGO," meaning that he had one priority, three priority two and four routine for Chicago. If he puts the destination first, there would be no confusion.

Soooo—effective as of this reading, NTS policy is to list destination first, number of messages second. The Public Service Manual examples will be changed to comply, next printing.

Item 3: A cryptic note found in the NTS column source file says only "Why the slowdown? What's

happening?" We no longer remember exactly what the note refers to, but suspect it was upon receipt of a batch of messages, presumably handled on NTS, all of which were several days old. Anyway, it's a good topic. What *is* happening? With the system operating normally, traffic originating on the east coast should reach delivery point on the west coast the same night. In the opposite direction, there is a day's delay because the time difference makes it impossible to take full advantage of the cycle. What happens, when a message takes two or even three days to reach delivery point?

Well, obviously "somebody goofs." Somewhere along the line the system is not working as it should. A liaison is missed, a net session doesn't take place, a TCC schedule is washed out by conditions. Who knows? The fact remains that the traffic doesn't get cleared and is delayed.

In such cases, there are lessons to be learned. The first one is that the system is no better than the operators comprising it; if the operators don't perform, *no* system is going to work. The second is that we should observe our schedules, even leaving traffic "on the hook" if necessary to do so. Better to leave three or four messages on the hook than show up late for a TCC sked and maybe miss it as a result. The third is that if something doesn't click, we do make use of alternative facilities, even non-NTS. Better to take a message out of NTS than to let it gather dust.

Item 4: Let's not be quite so exclusive about denying "membership" peremptorily to any net which expresses an interest in becoming a part of the system. NTS is not exclusive. Any amateur can participate, and some nets can qualify for membership if they want to tailor themselves to serve a section purpose. And remember, the policy is to accept any traffic into the system but not to route traffic out of the system *unless* there is no NTS outlet available. — *WINJM*.

October reports:

| Net | Ses- sions | Traf- fic | Rate | Aver- age | Represen- tation (%) |
|-------------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------|--------------|-------------------------|
| 1RN..... | 62 | 647 | .398 | 10.4 | 90.8 |
| 2RN..... | 61 | 574 | .697 | 9.4 | 97.1 |
| 3RN..... | 62 | 636 | .434 | 10.3 | 99.2 |
| 4RN..... | 59 | 690 | .424 | 11.7 | 84.7 |
| RN5..... | 62 | 566 | .342 | 9.1 | 87.8 |
| RN6..... | 62 | 990 | .680 | 16.0 | 96.0 |
| RN7..... | 62 | 410 | .319 | 6.6 | 42.5 |
| SRN..... | 59 | 515 | .362 | 8.4 | 95.1 |
| 9RN..... | 62 | 881 | .679 | 14.2 | 95.6 |
| TEN..... | 60 | 416 | .463 | 5.2 | 83.3 |
| ECN..... | 55 | 166 | .202 | 3.0 | 69.3 |
| TWN..... | 46 | 166 | .210 | 3.7 | 46.1 |
| EAN..... | 31 | 1836 | 1.280 | 60.2 | 97.8 |
| CAN..... | 30 | 1041 | .966 | 34.7 | 100.0 |
| PAN..... | 31 | 1090 | .964 | 35.2 | 98.9 |
| Sections ¹ | 2126 | 10,669 | | 5.0 | |
| TCC Eastern.124 ² | | 777 | | | |
| TCC Central. 93 ² | | 506 | | | |
| TCC Pacific. 124 ² | | 807 | | | |
| Summary. | 2930 | 23,183 | EAN | 7.2 | — |
| Record. | 2885 | 30,735 | 1.408 | 15.2 | — |

¹Section and local nets reporting (65): NCNL, THEN (N.C.); OLS, SSZ (Okl.); MDCC (Md.-Del.-D.C.); CN, CPN (Conn.); RUN (Utah); M6MTN, QMN, WSSB (Mich.); ILN (Ill.); PTTN, EPA, EpaePT (Pa.); FMITN, VEN, WFPN, QFN, FPIJ, GN, TPTN, FAS1 (Fla.); PVTEN, NJEPTN, NJN (N.J.); NYS (N.Y.); TTN, TEX (Texas); KTN, KYN (Ky.); WSSN, WSN (Wash.); HMN, CCN (Colo.); OZK (Ark.); PTN (Me.); OSN, OSSB, BN (Ohio); GSN (Ga.); QIN (Ind.); VSBN, VN, VSN (Va.); LAN (La.); WIN (Wis.); BCEN (B.C.); MON, MEN (Mo.); MDDS (Md.-D.C.); MSN, MJN (Minn.); AAM, AENB, AEND, AENH, AENAI, AENO, AENR, AENT (Ala.); VTNIH (Vt.-N.H.); APSN (Alta.); MEPN (Md.),

²TCC functions, not counted as net sessions.

W2FR reports 2RN certificates issued to WB2VEJ and K2KTK; one session missed because of band washout on Nov. 2. WA6ROF deploras low traffic, sez RN6 fully prepared for plenty of traffic; an RN6 certificate was awarded to W6LRU. RN7 welcomes four new NCS; traffic is down but manpower building up, so they are ready for the holiday deluge. W8CHT sends his 8RN report from Miami Beach. W9QLW has awarded 9RN certificates to WA9TUM and W4NLO. W9LGG says that TEN representation much improved, but not much traffic; W9CGZ earned a net certificate. VE3BZB says that when PY stations started to QNI ECN they took the hint and moved from 7040 back to 3540 kc. K7NLLI is having all kinds of difficulties keeping TWN going on a two-session basis, but is staying right in there and thinking of trying an "early early" session. WA9RAK submits his first CAN report, and it's a dandy; certificates have been awarded to W0ZHN, W0BV and W4NLO; an excellent new CAN Bulletin was mailed in early November. W6IPC has been designated assistant manager of PAN and a net certificate has been issued to W6BNX; Manager W6VNUQ says nothing wrong with PAN that more traffic won't cure.

Transcontinental Corps. W3EML says that perhaps since TCC-Eastern's record high for August didn't make QST, the record low for October will; station D giving most of the problems at present. Nevertheless, only six failures during the month. W6LCX reports four failures in TCC-Central, some irregularities but things normal in general. W7DZX sez traffic and 20 meters going to the dogs. TCC-PAN certificates to W6VZT, WA6LFA, W7KZ and K7LHR.

October reports:

| Area | Func-tions | % Suc-cessful | Traffic | Out-of-Net Traffic |
|-----------------|------------|---------------|---------|--------------------|
| Eastern | 124 | 95.2 | 2069 | 777 |
| Central | 93 | 95.6 | 1024 | 506 |
| Pacific | 124 | 96.0 | 1614 | 807 |
| Summary | 341 | 95.6 | 4707 | 2090 |

The TCC roster: Eastern Area (W3EML, Dir.) — W1s BJG EFW EMG NJM, W2s FR GKZ, K2RYH, WA2s BHN BLV UWA, W3s OYE RKK, W3EML, K3MVO, W4s NLC UQ ZM, K4KNP, W5s AHZ CHT IXJ RYP UM, K8KMQ, WA8s OCG POS ZGC. Central Area (W0LCX, Dir.) — W4OGG, K4s AT DZM, WA4AVM, WB4A1N/5, W5KRX, W5s CXY DND DYQ VAY, WA9s RAK VZM, W0s INH LXC, WA0s IAW DOU MLE SDC, K0s AEM YBD. Pacific Area (W7DZX, Dir.) — W6s BGF BNK EOT IPC IPW EMS VNUQ VZT, WA6s ROF LFA, BRG, W7s KZ ZIV, K7HLR, WA7CLF, VE7ZK.

Diary of the AREC and RACES

On June 13 the Del Norte Traffic Net (Texas), on information received through K5DIT, was instrumental in locating a man in South America who had been bitten by a dog which, unbeknownst to him, turned out to be rabid. The man had left Colombia and was traveling in Peru and Ecuador. The net dispatched stations to try to make contact with officials in Colombia, Peru and Ecuador, in hopes of locating the missing man. K5VTE went to 15 meters to try to contact Quito. WA5GGS went to 20 meters and succeeded in contacting Lima. Then K5VTE succeeded in contacting HC1GI in Quito through K1KBO. The man in question, a member of the Peace Corps, was known to the American Embassy there, and they promised to see that he received treatment. Later, through the 20-meter YL Net a station in Quito (call unknown) called the American Embassy and was informed that the patient had received treatment. Others known to have participated in this operation were WA5-LHC, W5ALL and HC1GI. — *K5DIT.*

What started out to be a routine operation to assist with communications for a canoe race on the Bow River in Alberta, July 6-7-8, turned into an emergency when one of the canoists capsized and was drowned. The race was forthwith cancelled and the RCMP was summoned to assist in the search

for the body. Amateurs were on duty from 3 p.m. July 6 to 10 p.m. July 8 assisting in communications for the search, but the body was not found by that time and all search personnel were released. (The body was found July 21 by fishermen.) — *VE6AFR, EC Calgary, Alta.*

Emergency assistance was obtained after a fatal accident between Gillette and Buffalo, Wyo., on Aug. 1, by W9KRV/mobile, who was talking with WA6KXO when the accident was discovered. The call for the Wyoming State Police and an ambulance was relayed to K7TAQ in Casper by WA6KXO and K7YDO, with W5LZS and W9TLU assisting. W9KRV/mobile remained at the accident scene for over an hour until help arrived. — *W9KRV.*

The West Coast Amateur Radio Service reports six emergencies handled and 12 highway accidents reported during the period Sept. 16 to Oct. 31, 1968.

On Sept. 28 XE2PH called requesting assistance in locating a family apparently lost in Baja California. K6DQA, WB6DQZ and WA6ZWL/7 went to work on the project, located the missing family's California address, and within an hour and 20 minutes were able to advise XE2PH that the family had returned safely home.

On Oct. 7, W6ZOM requested assistance in obtaining a drug not available in Mexico City for the very ill son of XE2SS. WB6YFT located the drug in Los Angeles and arranged to have it shipped.

On Oct. 9, W7YSO aeronautical mobile over Utah requested assistance in filing a flight plan because aircraft radio equipment was not functioning. K7SOT filed the flight plan, WA6WHP and WB6-LGU maintained communications during the flight and W7EM closed the flight plan when W7YSO arrived at his destination.

On Oct. 11 a MARS station participating in a search for a lost military aircraft called in requesting assistance in communicating with his base. W6KAJ succeeded in arranging a direct telephone contact with the commanding officer.

On Oct. 15 WA7JMH in Washington requested assistance in locating W7AWO, traveling in Southern California, whose mother was critically ill. By making inquiries along his route, he was located at 10 A.M. the following morning.

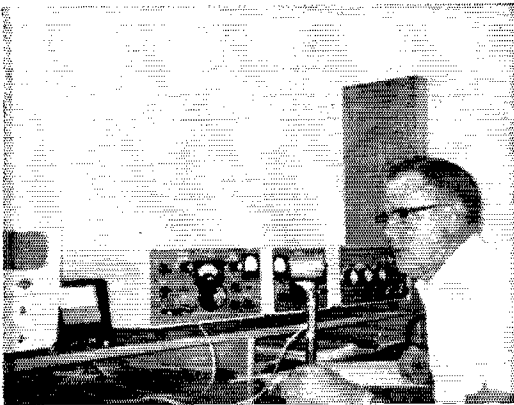
On Oct. 21 WB6ZUP requested help in locating a party deer hunting in Idaho, whose father had passed away. WB6IZF/7 in Twin Falls was designated to relay the information to Idaho authorities. WB6MDN, W6NS and W6JBA obtained the party's vehicle license number, while several other amateurs relayed and monitored in case further help was needed.

In the same period, 12 highway accidents involving injuries and 14 incidents involving traffic obstructions, motorists in distress, non-injury accidents and other priority incidents were handled. A total of 49 different stations were involved.

WCARS operates on 7255 kc., 24 hours per day. — *WB6IZF, Publicity Chairman, WCARS.*

On Oct. 3, Quebec SEC VE2ALE and VE2APT/mobile reported an overturned truck blocking the highway on the Transcanada Highway in Montreal. EC VE2ADE/mobile also assisted. The facilities of repeater station VE2RM were used. — *VE2ALE.*

On Oct. 4 VE2ALE/mobile was in round table via repeater VE2RM when he came upon a stalled car blocking traffic during the rush hour on the



Jack Gage, W5ICL, is EC for Orange County, Texas, shown here at the controls of the Orange American Red Cross station W5ND.

Transcanada Highway in Montreal. He relayed the information to VE2FK who telephoned the Quebec Provincial Police and a cruiser was dispatched to the scene. VE2DEK/mobile later passed this way and reported the blockage had been cleared. Meanwhile, VE2CK/mobile reported a severe blockage on the Bonaventure Expressway in downtown Montreal. Communications over repeater VE2RM made it possible for many of the amateur mobiles to take alternate routes on their way to work. — VE2ALB, SEC Quebec.

The disappearance of a missionary plane in the Republic of the Congo on Oct. 13 precipitated a widespread search by radio of the Congo jungle. Daily contact with the missionary headquarters station WA9VJY in Indianapolis provides information via amateur radio. Members of the Disciples Amateur Radio Fellowship amateurs who participated were 9Q5AF, 9Q5MO, WA9VJY, W9KRV, WA6KXO, WA0MYP, W9GHY, W3APO, K5BXE, W4PR and W9AI. — W9KRV.

On Oct. 28 a weak station signing WA3INC reported into the Clearing House Net with a "priority emergency" QNC. It seems a special blood type was needed to save the life of a RACES operator in Point Pleasant, N. J. The message was spread from the Clearing House Net to a number of other nets and on Oct. 30 WA2TEK advised that the hospital had been overwhelmed with volunteer donors. — WA3GPT.

On Nov. 2 Station K1JFI at the Roger Williams VHF Society in Providence was activated to assist with communications for the Red Cross concerning a gas explosion in East Providence, R. I. Mobiles, relay stations and extra operators were soon available. Amateur frequencies were used to supplement the special emergency frequencies which were affected by magnetic disturbances. Fifteen amateurs were active. — W1KPM, Communications Chairman, Providence Red Cross.

On Nov. 17 OA4FZ put out a plea for a special drug needed to save the life of a woman suffering from a massive stroke in Peru. The request was relayed through HK5OW in Colombia and received in New York by WB2KFY and WB2THL. The

latter contacted the Coast Guard, who arranged for shipment of the drug from Miami the following day. — WB2THL.

On Oct. 26 the Guam Emergency Net was alerted by EC KG6AQI with KG6AAY acting as net control, to get set up for possible action if Typhoon Judy hit the islands. KG6ALY provided information on the storm directly from the aircraft penetrating it. However, on Oct. 27 the typhoon passed 100 miles south of Guam and posed no threat, so the net was secured. — KG6AQI, EC Marianas Islands.

The King's County (N. Y.) Area Net was alerted on Nov. 11 at the request of the Jamaica Red Cross to provide communications in the event of flooding high tides or high winds. A total of 22 stations responded to the alert. — WA2UCP, EC Kings County, N. Y.

Forty-three SECs reported October activities, representing 15,517 AREC members. This is one more report and just about the same number of members as Oct. '67. Sections reporting: E. Mass., Okla., SCV, Md.-D.C., Nebr., Que., Wash., So. Dak., San Fran., Ga., Mont., San D., Alberta, Santa B., Ind., Orange, Mo., Tenn., S.N.J., Nevada, Mich., Ark., La., Colo., Conn., Kans., Ohio, B.C., Del., So. Tex., W. Va., E. Fla., Ala., N.C., Utah, Ky., W.N.Y., Va., N.M., Sask., N.H., Mar., N.N.J.

Independent Net Reports:

| Net | Sessions | Check-ins | Traffic |
|-------------------------|----------|-----------|---------|
| North American Net | 27 | 598 | 270 |
| 7290 Traffic Net | --- | 1939 | 1533 |
| Clearing House Net | 29 | 456 | 281 |
| Central New England Net | --- | 1202 | 61 |
| Interstate SSB Net | 31 | 1063 | 424 |
| QTC Net | --- | 309 | 116 |
| ISSB 20 Meter Net | 23 | 453 | 5214 |
| Eastern U.S. Net | 29 | 65 | 51 |
| Mike Farad Net | 27 | 391 | 358 |
| Eastern Area Slow Net | 28 | 165 | 177 |

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Strays



Here's a proud group from the Fremont High School Bandjammers Radio Club, WA6DVV. They have just earned this WAC certificate and are shooting for a DXCC certificate . . . if they can work it in with all their other club projects which include a radio telescope. Shown are (l. to r.) John Lewis; Sanford Lynch, WA6BXH; Gary Watson; Pacific Division Director Gmelin, W6ZRJ (who is also club advisor); and Dick Cappels.

• For Public Service

Announcing The 1969 ARRL Simulated Emergency Test January 25-26

THE late January SET date seemed to work out all right last year; at least, we had a slight increase in some statistics and relatively few squawks about the severity of weather conditions. So again we are calling the annual Simulated Emergency Test for the last weekend in January, and hope you are all planning to be on deck.

The procedure will differ from that of previous years in only a few minor respects. One is that Red Cross participation at the national level will be strictly via the National Traffic System or other established amateur nets (no monitored frequencies). Another is that test official traffic will put more emphasis on "simulated delivery" to avoid getting disgruntled officials out of bed in the middle of the night to accept a test message and frustration on the part of dedicated amateurs at their inability to deliver a c.d. or Red Cross message during the weekend.

There is one additional difference. This year we would like to make a special plea that local tests be conducted during the designated weekend. With NTS invoking of its emergency operating procedure, it will be a better test all around if we can all turn out for a big weekend demonstration of the *real* meaning of amateur radio.

What Is the SET?

We wouldn't want to have the casual reader casually flick this page because there is no explanation what it is all about. The SET is an annual exercise of our emergency preparedness organizations, particularly the ARRL-sponsored Amateur Radio Emergency Corps and National Traffic System but also including associated preparedness groups (e.g., RACES) and served agencies (e.g., Red Cross and civil defense). The AREC conducts tests and drills at local levels, passes its medium- and long-haul traffic to other points through the facilities of the National Traffic System, which operates extraordinary sessions during the designated weekend to keep abreast of the traffic flow. Other nets also assist in handling the traffic, most of which is simulated.

The test is intended to serve two principal objectives: first, and most important, to test our emergency preparedness facilities for our own information, so that strong and weak points can be pinpointed and steps taken to rectify the latter. Second, to provide a public demonstration of our ability to mobilize our organized forces

During the SET

Monitor your local emergency net frequency.

Make contact with your local EC or RO.

Take immediate steps to follow any pre-arranged plans.

Stay off the air unless or until you are sure you can be of assistance.

In widespread emergencies, monitor W1AW for latest bulletins and news.

in the event an emergency, natural or man-made, should strike.

Important? *You bet it's important!* It's the most important thing we have to do. Such being the case, it's a pity that only about 10% of licensed amateurs take any interest whatever in it.

What Can I Do?

It's a little late, actually, but thanks for asking. However, the event takes place the last week-end in January, and if you receive this copy of *QST* by the middle of the month your EC may still be able to use you. Of course, not all communities have ECs, in which case perhaps your RACES radio officer can use you. What, no RACES RO either? Golly, your town is really dead, isn't it? How about stirring something up? There may not be time to get an effective group together before this year's SET, but there will be another one next year, and meanwhile who knows what may happen to require your services?

On the facing page is a complete list of appointed Section Emergency Coordinators. These are officials appointed by your elected Section Communications Managers whose duty and function it is to take the leadership in formation of an effective emergency preparedness program in the section and to see that a local emergency coordinator is appointed for each place where a qualified amateur can be found. He is the man to talk to if you are interested in getting something started in your locality.

The important point is *not* simply to volunteer for the SET (you won't be much help, actually, without previous experience), but to become an

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Section Emergency Coordinators of the Amateur Radio Emergency Corps

The Section Emergency Coordinator is appointed by the SCM to take charge of the promotion of the Amateur Radio Emergency Corps organization throughout the Section. He acts as the SCM's executive in the furthering of provisions for emergency amateur radio communications in every community likely to suffer in case of a communications emergency. One of the duties of the SEC is to recommend the appointment of Emergency Coordinators for the various communities in his Section. Does your locality have an EC? If not, recommend the name of a likely prospect to the SEC. The SEC invites your questions concerning the status of the AREC in your Section.

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A Helping Hand — Present and Future

Hams Urged to Teach Underprivileged Youngsters

BY W. W. WATTS,* W4VI/2

A LOT of water has gone over the dam in the quarter century that the Quarter-Century Wireless Association symbolizes. Monumental changes have taken place in our lives and our activities in those 25 years.

In our own field of amateur radio, much has happened. In 1943 — 25 years ago — according to statistics of the American Radio Relay League, there were something less than 70,000 licensed hams in the United States. Today there are over 275,000 — about four times as many. Today we are using communications channels that weren't available back in the 1940s. And who would have thought, a quarter century ago, that amateurs — even teen-aged ones — would be talking to each other via satellites and bouncing their c.w. conversations off the moon? We've come a long way.

On a broader basis, on the national and international scenes and in our personal lives as well, the changes have been even more drastic. Twenty-five years ago we were in the midst of a war against dictatorship powers on both sides of the world — in Europe and in Asia. At that time we already could see a faint glimmer of the victory to come. But we could not foresee other things that were to happen that would seriously affect our lives. Among them, of course, were the cold wars and hot wars that have plagued us all over the world for the last 20 years.

Closer to home — more immediately related to our personal lives — we did not foresee (though we certainly should have) important changes that were to take place in the American way of living. Most specifically, I refer to the current problems of the cities, the unrest among the underprivileged segment of our population, and the steps we are now taking to achieve some sem-

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A ham since early boyhood, "Wally" Watts is now Senior Executive Vice President of RCA. At the 21st annual dinner meeting of the QCWA in New York, he urged the nation's amateurs to help underprivileged youngsters not only to acquire a constructive hobby, but also an introduction to electronics as a possible career. As further guidance, we hope later to carry a report on the current pilot project in Camden, N. J., through the South Jersey Radio Association.



W. Walter Watts, W4VI/2

blance of the justice and equality that we have bragged about for some hundreds of years but never really established.

I bring this up for a very specific reason: I think that we, as a fairly dedicated group of people — ham operators have always been enthusiastic — can do something to contribute toward the solution, or at least the alleviation, of this problem. I should like to put forth an idea for your consideration.

Help the Youngsters

If there is going to be any salvation for today's underprivileged people — the people of the ghettos — it lies not so much with the grownup generation, the men and women who have either made it or probably never will, but with the kids. Kids now 12 to 18 years old. Kids who can, and do, make trouble in the streets — but who could, if they were drawn into interesting fields of activity, be put on the path to constructive citizenship.

At this point, I imagine you are beginning to read me — to surmise what I am leading up to — and that is a program to interest the ghetto kids in ham radio. Such a program not only would provide them with a fascinating hobby to occupy their leisure hours constructively but also as a possible foot in the door of electronics toward a future occupation.

Before I spell out the details of my idea, I'd like to express one word of caution: Any program aimed at introducing kids to amateur radio,

should definitely *not* be billed as educational — and it should *not* include any formidable adjuncts such as scholarships. I've talked with many hams who have conducted such groups, and all of them warn that if you approach the project on an educational, or training, basis you lose 90 per cent of the appeal for the kids you're trying to recruit. The emphasis has to be on the fun, the excitement, the drama of the activity.

I need not tell *you* how fascinating amateur radio can be to a youngster. Many of you — like myself — were probably licensed operators before you were even in your teens. Furthermore, the fascination of radio, for most hams, sticks through the years.

Sometimes the demands of a man's business career divert him from his ham activities — the rig in his basement or den might gather dust, unused, for a period of years. But almost invariably he turns back to it, still a ham at heart as long as he lives. Your presence here tonight is ample proof of that.

A ham usually is also eager to introduce others — particularly young people — to the fun of amateur radio. And here is where these two elements — the fascination radio can have for a youngster and the willingness of a good many hams to take the time to introduce it to them — come together in a way that could, conceivably, accomplish a great deal in helping to put the ghetto youngster on a new path in life. A road not only to a consuming hobby but also possibly — through its basic introduction to electronics — to a constructive career.

How can we do this? Well, many of you, I'm sure, already are — or have been in the past — involved in some form of ham activity with kids. Maybe a club with a regular schedule of meetings, such as the *Scouts* or the "Y" — maybe an informal group that gets together once in a while — perhaps just one or two neighborhood youngsters who drop in occasionally.

Group Cooperation

What I envision is something on a really organized basis — a group activity led by one of us hams under sponsorship of, perhaps, the local school system, or a civic organization like the YMCA or Jaycees, or even the local police department.

If the latter startles you, let me explain that one first: In the last few years, police departments in most big cities have instituted community relations programs mainly to improve relationships between police officers and the residents of the ghetto. Some very constructive programs have resulted, and it is quite feasible that amateur radio might be a healthy addition.

A good example is in Camden, New Jersey, with which I am particularly familiar because of the big RCA complex there. Its police community relations director — with rank of deputy police commissioner — is ex-heavyweight champion Jersey Joe Walcott. The department also has an internal organization known as BUP — Brother-

hood for Unity and Progress — made up of about fifty Negro officers. Some of our people helped BUP stage an all-day picnic one Saturday this summer for kids from the slums. It was a great success — nearly 3,000 showed up for hot dogs and soft drinks, sports activities and other entertainment — and it did a lot as a starter in getting the police on a more friendly basis with the people of those neighborhoods.

When we began considering ways to start an amateur radio club for kids from the poor section, one of our people suggested that we approach Jersey Joe and the BUP — the black policemen's organization — which has many contacts with youths in the neighborhood. Both reacted with enthusiasm, and I am happy to tell you tonight that we have a program under way — a sort of pilot project, you might say — to establish a radio club and ultimately an amateur station for some of the boys in the ghetto area of Camden, located in the YMCA that is in a predominantly black neighborhood.

The project is still in the planning stage at this time. But we're getting support from everybody. Some hams from the RCA s.s.b. net — among them Stan Wolfe (W2HIQ) and Ken Miller (W2KF) — are scouring our Camden plants for surplus receivers, unused test equipment and such.

Volunteer instructors from the ranks of the hams will be available but their time is not always their own. So, the local Citizens Advisory Council, which is Camden's version of an urban coalition, has promised to provide funds for a part-time instructor a couple of nights a week, as well as for purchase of some hand-keys and oscillators for Morse code practice. Herb Brooks (K2BG), president of the South Jersey Radio Association, about the oldest amateur club in the country and one of the largest, assures us his group will provide assistance. And ARRL, in the interests of getting a program like this launched, is providing some textbook material.

The BUP policemen themselves are enthusiastic — to the point that the young officer who is coordinating the project remarked the other day: "I'm gonna take the course myself. You've sold me . . . I want to be a ham."

Thus, hopefully within a few weeks, we'll have a pilot project going in the form of a club for kids from ghetto families.

School systems offer another excellent opportunity for such a program — though here the activity would, of course, have to be opened up to youngsters from all walks of life, not just the underprivileged. Here again we have explored the possibilities with the Camden superintendent of schools. He is enthusiastic about it and, if a project is launched, he will set aside classroom or laboratory space.

Similar programs, perhaps on a less formal basis, might be set up through the YMCA, the Knights of Columbus, the Lions, Rotary, Kiwanis and so on — with, of course, the volunteered services of hams to conduct the programs. Don't overlook the Jaycees. These Junior Chamber

people — a generation younger than we are — have the youth and enthusiasm to really put across a program of this sort. The Jaycees are paying more attention these days to the problems of the cities. The *Wall Street Journal* carried a Page One story a few weeks ago about how the Jaycees were turning from activities such as crowning beauty queens, organizing litter campaigns and growing beards for local centennials, to more productive drives to help cure the ills of the urban areas. Your local Jaycees may well be open to suggestion on sponsoring of a youth-oriented ham station and a program to support it. There may even be ham operators among the Jaycees themselves; if not, we certainly should be able to supply the talent.

Financing

At this point, the obvious question arises: Who is going to pay for this?

Actually, the cost — as you know — need not be too high. Do-it-yourself kits start as low as \$50. For perhaps \$150, a small rig might be built using second-hand gear from a mail-order house, or a local radio shop — or, better yet, from surplus or used equipment that manufacturers or distributors might have on hand. For voice transmission, the cost would be greater — but only by a hundred or so dollars. One other point: We old timers have a lot of unused equipment hanging around that might be contributed and don't forget: anything we donate to such a program is tax-deductible.

Conceivably, the necessary capital could be raised by the sponsor — the police department, the school system, or the civic organization involved. That should not be too tough a problem. Also, much in the way of guidance and assistance can be expected through ARRL — including the elementary "Gateway" books to get beginners on their way.

Getting youngsters interested in ham operations is not difficult if it's done the right way — with the drama of the activity getting sufficient emphasis. As we told the black police unit in Camden, the biggest hurdle is to get them through the initial learning of the code. If some veteran hams can describe to them some of the dramatic aspects — the rescue operations, the MARS network, the disaster services, etc. — and if receivers are available on which they can hear ham conversations — their attention can be held. We plan to take the Camden kids at least once a month to an operating ham station — not an elaborate one, that might scare them off, but a simple one such as they might be able to afford some day.

Also, there are gimmicks that can be used to excite their interest. A good example is the experience that a colleague of mine in RCA — Wally Brown (W2TQ) — has had down in the South Jersey area. For years, Wally has conducted a program on the Cub Scout level to interest kids in ham radio. This is the way he works it — and it appears to me like an ideal format for a program aimed at underprivileged youngsters.

Wally would set up a small station in a meeting hall and arrange for a fellow ham, with a mobile rig in his auto, to be somewhere in the neighborhood. He'd start off with a talk about the fun and adventure of ham radio: he'd mention some of the big-name ham operators — Arthur Godfrey, General LeMay, Barry Goldwater etc. He'd talk about the fun you have making friends, from all walks of life, just by exploring the radio frequencies.

Then he would say: "For example, there's a friend of mine riding around somewhere in this area whom I'd like to talk to right now." And he'd put in a call to the ham driver — the call being heard, of course, on a p.a. system.

Once the connection was made — it was all a put-up job, of course — the driver would say: "Gosh, Wally, I think I'm lost. I don't know this neighborhood, and I don't know where I am."

Wally would reply: "Can you tell us what street you're on — give us some landmark?" And the mobile ham would mention some movie house he was near.

By this time, the kids were enthralled, and Wally would ask if one of them could come up on the stage and take the mike and give his friend directions. There were plenty of volunteers, and finally the voice would come over the p.a. system: "Thanks, fellows. I've finally located your meeting place. I'm right outside." And Wally would grab the mike and say, "Prove it, Jim. Blow your horn." And from outside — and over the p.a. — would come the blast of a horn. If that kind of sequence can't sell a kid on ham radio, nothing can.

It's that kind of introduction — fun, excitement, adventure — that can get kids interested in ham radio. Not the educational approach.

Schools — and Careers

In Cherry Hill, New Jersey, a manual training teacher named Bart Mayo has been organizing radio clubs among high school and junior high school students for a number of years, with great success. In the last school year alone he saw 89 of his pupils get licenses — most of them novice licenses, of course, but nevertheless they were on the road to amateur operating.

Bart Mayo's area — Cherry Hill — is a suburb in the Philadelphia-Camden area, and one might suspect that its residents are a bit more affluent than average. In part, this is true. But it happens that 52 per cent of Camden County's poor — that is, families with incomes under \$3,000 — are, ironically, in the suburbs rather than the city. Thus a fair percentage of underprivileged — or under-advantaged — kids must have been among those 89 who qualified for amateur licenses.

I mentioned earlier that an introduction to radio might well provide an elementary introduction to the electronics industry and a possible career in it.

As all of you are well aware, electronics constitutes one of the five biggest industries in the

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Happenings of the Month

Director Election Results

Prison Sentences for Obscene Language

FCC Disciplinary Actions

ARRL ELECTION RESULTS

Mail balloting in seven divisions has resulted in the reelection of five incumbent directors and two vice directors; one new director and four new vice directors were chosen.

Philip E. Haller, W9HPG, scored 2943 votes to 1019 for Robert C. Erwood, K9AAU, thus winning a fourth term as director from the Central Division. A very close race in the Hudson Division resulted in a third term for **Harry J. Dannals, W2TUK**, who got 2250 votes to 2217 for Dr. James L. Lawson, W2PV. Out in the Northwestern Division, **Robert B. Thurston, W7PGY** chalked up 846 votes to 731 for William R. Watson, W7BQ and 512 for Raleigh A. Munkres, W7HAZ, securing a third term. **Carl L. Smith, W0BWJ**, director from the Rocky Mountain Division since 1961, was reelected with 702 votes to 483 for Bois R. Council, K0ATZ. **John R. Griggs, W6KW**, who has served eight years as Southwestern Division director, defeated former director Ray E. Meyers, W6MLZ, 2318 to 1405 votes.

In the West Gulf Division, **Roy L. Albright, W5EYB**, defeated director Ray K. Bryan, W5IQ, 1148 to 1076. The new director is 61 years old, and resides in San Antonio, Texas. He retired from active service as a lieutenant colonel in the Signal Corps in 1961. He's a former president of the San Antonio Radio Club, and is active on phone and c.w., 10 through 80 meters.

In the Central Division contest for vice director, incumbent **Edmond A. Metzger, W9PRN** secured a third term by scoring 2547 votes to 1410 for Sidonius M. Pokorny, W9NRP. **Bigelow Green, W1EAE**, who has been vice director from the New England Division since 1961, garnered 1539 votes to 1268 for Walter S. Rogers, W1DFS.

David O. Bennett, W7QLE, of St. Helens, Oregon, unseated Northwestern Division vice director R. Rex Roberts, W7CPY, who has been either vice director or director since 1941. The vote was 767 for W7QLE, 662 for W7CPY and 639 for Laverne W. Van Dyke, K7CTP. The new vice director has his own law firm and holds a Doctor of Jurisprudence degree from Willamette University. He's a member of the Willamette

Valley DX Club, the Western Washington DX Club and Air Force MARS. In addition to hamming, he enjoys bridge, fishing, camping and photography.

In the Rocky Mountain Division, **Thomas G. Banks, W5HJ**, won a close race against incumbent vice director Col. John H. Sampson, Jr., W7OCX, 603 to 576 votes. W5HJ lives in Albuquerque, New Mexico, and is a research and development engineer for the Sandia Corporation. He's past president of the Sandia Base Radio Club and trustee of W5MPZ; net manager for Kirtland Air Force Base Support Nets on f.m., a.m., and RTTY; holds ORS appointment and is a member of DXCC. Since 1923 he's operated 5YE, W5HJ, W6HJ, W9HK, W9HJ, W0HJ, W3ICR, K6SMP (prewar in Hawaii), W6SMP and W5BFW. He still holds KJ6CD and KZ5GX.

Arnold Dahlman, W6UEI, of Van Nuys, California, nosed out Gary A. Stilwell, W6NJU, by 1918 votes to 1765, thereby becoming vice



At the Amateur Radio Historical Conference held at the Smithsonian Institution in October, George Grammer, W1DF (ARRL Technical Director), was presented with the Amateur of the Year Award by the Antique Wireless Association. Ed Redington, W4ZM (right), makes the presentation.

director from the Southwestern Division. (Incumbent Thomas Cunningham, W6PIF, withdrew from the race.) W6URF is a customer serviceman for the Southern California Gas Company. He's been an assistant director from the Southwestern Division since 1965, and is a past president and past secretary of the San Fernando Valley Radio Club, Inc. He's n.e.s. of an Army MARS net, and is director of the MARS technical library. A past chairman of the Los Angeles Area Council of Radio Clubs, he was also general chairman of the joint Southwestern-Pacific Division ARRL Convention in 1967.

West Gulf members chose **Lester L. Harbin, W5BNG**, as vice director with 1110 votes to \$26 for Favian M. Adair, W5FKE and 275 for Eric B. Hjerpe, W5FCD. The new vice director lives in Fort Worth, Texas and works as a telegraph repeaterman for Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. He's been an assistant director of the West Gulf Division since 1960, and was SCM for North Texas from 1958 to 1968. W5BNG serves on the advisory committee for Texas RACES; is a member of Army MARS; and belongs to the A-1 Operator Club.

The other four offices open to election this fall were filled without membership balloting, since only one candidate was nominated and eligible for each: New England Division director **Robert York Chapman, W1QV**, Roanoke director **Victor C. Clark, W4KFC**, Hudson vice director **Stan Zak, K2SJO** and Roanoke vice director **L. Phil Wicker, W4ACY**. All are elected for two-year terms beginning at noon January 1, 1969.

OBSCENITY EARNS JAIL TERM

Larry Dodson McCreary, K4KHE, of Franklin Kentucky, was convicted in the United States District Court at Bowling Green Kentucky, on November 11, 1968, of transmitting obscene, indecent and profane language on amateur frequencies in violation of Federal law.

McCreary had entered a plea of guilty to Federal indictments containing seven counts charging violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1464. He was sentenced to six months' imprisonment on each of the seven counts, the terms to run concurrently. He was also fined \$100 on each count for a total fine of \$700.

The case had been presented to the Federal Grand Jury on May 20, 1968, on the basis of information developed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and field investigative and monitoring engineers of the Federal Communications Commission.

The U.S. District Court at Paducah, Kentucky has found two other amateurs guilty of transmitting obscene, indecent and profane language on amateur frequencies in violation of Federal law.

On October 21, 1968, Walton B. Berkley, W4AOE, of Hickory, Kentucky and Conrad H. Bridges, W4EBG, Paducah, Kentucky en-



Former FCC Commissioner George Sterling, W1AE, and OOTC/Goldcoasters president Ray Guy W4AZ take the mike at pioneer broadcast station WDM during the Amateur Radio Historical Conference.

tered pleas of *nolo contendere* to Federal indictments charging them with violations of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1464. The indictments contained six counts against Berkley and two counts against Bridges. Each was sentenced to three months imprisonment and fined \$100. The sentences of imprisonment were suspended and the defendants were placed on probation for a period of two years. The fines have been paid. (Taken from FCC Public Notices dated November 14 and November 5, respectively.)

LICENSE DENIED

The Federal Communications Commission has denied General Class operator and amateur station licenses to Joseph P. Oliveira, ex-WN6PNZ, of Hollywood, California, after a hearing held in Los Angeles on April 5, 1968.

Hearing examiner Jay A. Kyle said in his initial decision, "The record is replete with evidence through Oliveira's own admissions and stipulations that he has followed a course of consistent violations of the Commission's Rules, despite promises of reform . . . Beginning on October 21, 1962 and as late as August 9, 1967, Oliveira had pursued a pattern of not adhering to the Commission's Rules. His own admissions to the Commission clearly demonstrate that he was aware that his conduct was violative of Commission Rules. . . ."

Violations included operating without licenses in both the Citizens Radio Service and the Amateur Radio Service; transmitting obscene, indecent and profane language; transmitting music; malicious interference; failure to identify;



Roy Pinkham, W6BPT, past section communications manager of Santa Clara Valley and now an assistant director of the Pacific Division, suffered a couple of strokes which left him partially paralyzed. Through sheer hard work Pinky overcame his handicap, retrained his fist, and—on the third try—passed his Extra Class license. FCC Engineer Ney R. Landry, W6UDU (right) presents the "wallpaper" certificate for the top grade.

operation in the citizens band for hobby or diversion and failure to restrict communications to the minimum time necessary, also in the citizens band.

SUSPENSIONS AND REVOCATIONS

The station license of Douglas B. Shackelford, WA4VBZ of Richmond, Virginia was revoked effective July 8, 1968. The amateur had failed to respond to violation notices concerning spurious emissions, and to later follow-ups by the Commission.

The station license of Donald J. Reichl, W5ANT, of Houston, Texas, was revoked effective July 30, 1968 for failure to reply to Commission correspondence, and failure to notify FCC of a change of mail address as required by sections 97.13 (f) and 97.47 (c) of the amateur rules.

Similarly, the station license of Edward M. Clavin, W5BOG, of Houston was revoked effective September 16 for failure to reply to official communications.

The operator license of Eric E. Palmer, WA3ECN was suspended for the remainder of the license term (i.e., until July 28, 1970) and the station license revoked effective August 26, 1968 by the Commission, who found the licensee to have retransmitted police signals and noise signals on 26.62 MHz., thereby causing malicious interference; and to have falsely stated in a reply to citations that he had no knowledge of the identity of the person who caused his radio equipment to be operated as stated. The incident had taken place on June 7, 1967.

The operator license of Sam A. Johnson, Jr., WA4MVY of Muscle Shoals, Alabama, was sus-

pending for six months effective August 30, 1968. He was found to have wilfully or maliciously interfered with communications between other amateur radio stations on the frequency 3857 kHz., in violation of Section 97.125 of the Commission's rules.

The operator license of Harvey Z. Ghesser, WB61TF, of Los Angeles, California was suspended for six months effective September 11, 1968. The operator was found to have caused willful or malicious interference to other radio stations on February 7, 1968.

Other cases are pending, and will be reported here after time for appeal has passed.

SS HOPE TRAFFIC OKAY

K6KA passes along the following letter from FCC: "Last February Ceylon advised us of its intent to permit third party traffic between an amateur radio station aboard the vessel *SS Hope* while located within its jurisdiction and amateur radio stations in the United States. Apparently, the ARRL was not advised of Ceylon's action . . . In February of this year, the Commission advised Ceylon that it had no objections to the exchange of third party traffic between an amateur radio station aboard the vessel *SS Hope* and amateur stations in the United States . . ." — James E. Barr, Chief, Safety and Special Radio Services Bureau, FCC.

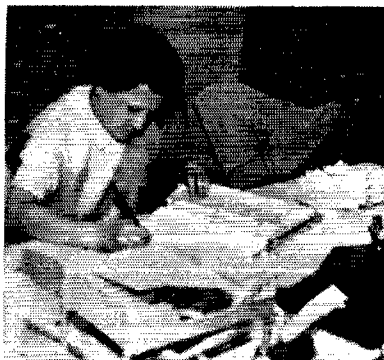
Accordingly, messages may be exchanged with W7EOC/mobile Region 3. The *Hope* will return to the States about February 15 before heading out again.



At the Greater Bay Area Hamfest in Milbrae, California, Pacific Division amateurs honored two of their number for exceptional service: Ney R. Landry, W6UDU, for his many years of close cooperation with the amateurs as an engineer in FCC's San Francisco office (now engineer-in-charge) and Forrest A. Bartlett, W6OWP, who has transmitted the ARRL code proficiency tests for the West Coast each month for more than twenty years, strictly as a volunteer using his own equipment. In the photo, W6UDU receives the ARRL Certificate of Merit from Pacific Division director J. A. Doc Gmslin, W6ZRJ (right). W6OWP couldn't be present, but received his Certificate later from vice director Don Eberlein, W6YHM.

Behind the Diamond

Number 11 of a Series



In our Diamond showcase this month is a gem of a gal, Lillian M. Salter, WIZJE, assistant communications manager for administration at League headquarters. Originally hired as a stenographer on May 12, 1930, Lil soon branched out into other administrative chores — recording of official station appointments made by section communications managers, issuance of supplies to the field organization, production and distribution of a bewildering array of forms and operating aids, handling of affiliated club records, supervision of SCM elections, and so on and on. Every month she faces the gigantic task of editing the Station Activities reports for *QST*, juggling a few lines over on one SCM with a few lines short somewhere

else, last minute arrivals or a sudden change in space available notwithstanding.

For more than twenty years, Lil was of amateur radio but not *in* it — until she joined W1YYM's lunchtime class and received her Novice license in 1953, and before long was a General. Landlord troubles and poor locations have kept her amateur activity at a minimum, but one of these days . . . !

Lil has both a tremendous recall of detail and a well-developed yet subtle sense of humor. The two have combined into a minor side hobby — her collection of office goofs, like letters which told of "Grandma's Big" (should have been Grammer's, of course), the "conquered (Concord!) brass pounders," and "carrying out the duties of the Communications Department."

WIZJE is a pianist, works in ceramics, does needlework, teaches Sunday School, draws and paints, and collects dolls. Every December the Communications Department is most attractively decorated for the holidays, thanks to Lil. Ham radio, of course, like any other job, has its headaches — and in a drawer labeled simply "Miscellaneous" Lil has the remedies for us — Excedrin, Empirin, Alka-Seltzer, Fizin and aspirin. Every November, when staff members get paper cuts counting ballots in director elections, Lil furnishes the bandages.

But even our gem has her limitations — one letter asked her to "send one each of your forms" — Lil threw up her hands on that one!

VISITORS HAVE FULL BANDS

While no formal ruling has been issued, FCC does not intend to require any special license class of visitors operating here under reciprocal licensing arrangements. It would be nearly impossible to set up a table of equivalent licenses which would compare foreign licenses to those of the U.S. The question has been raised by holders of reciprocal permits concerned about the November 22, 1968, implementation of incentive licensing.

"HERE COMES THE JUDGE"

We are pleased to report that Goodwin L. Dosland, W0TSN, past president of ARRL, has been appointed probate and juvenile judge for Clay County, Minnesota. Our hearty congratulations and best wishes to Judge Dosland!

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

No. 324 November 23, 1968

Pursuant to due notice, the Executive Committee of The American Radio Relay League, Inc., met at

the headquarters office of the League in Newington, Conn., at 9:40 a.m. November 23, 1968. Present: President Robert W. Denniston, W0DX, in the chair; First Vice President Wayland M. Groves, W5NW; Directors Charles G. Compton, W0BUO, Harry J. Dannals, W2TUK, Noel B. Eaton, VE3CJ, and Carl L. Smith, W4BWJ; and General Manager John Huntoon, W1LVQ. Also present were Directors Robert York Chapman, W1QV, and Gilbert L. Crossley, W3YA.

On motion of Mr. Groves, affiliation was unanimously GRANTED to the following societies: Airborne Instruments Laboratory Amateur Radio Club, Deer Park, N. Y.; Comstat Amateur Radio Club, Washington, D. C.; Goldfield Radio Club, Goldfield, Iowa; The John F. Kennedy Senior High School Electronics Club, Sacramento, Calif.; Morris Area Amateur Radio Club, Morris, Ill.; Science Explorer Post 288 Radio League of Chaminade Preparatory (H. S.), Canoga Park, Calif.; Texas Southmost Amateur Radio Club, Inc., Brownsville, Texas; Vandalia-Butler MARS Amateur Radio Club, Dayton, Ohio; Wekearny Ham Operators Club, Jersey City, N. J.

On motion of Mr. Dannals, unanimously VOTED to approve the holding of a New England Division



Bruce Kelley, W2ICE, of the Antique Wireless Association receives a special citation for his outstanding work in preserving and recording the physical history of amateur radio; ARRL Atlantic Director Gilbert L. Crossley, W3YA, (left) "does the honors."

Convention in Swampscott, Mass., on May 24-25, 1969.

On motion of Mr. Compton, the following applicants were unanimously GRANTED Life Membership:

Wayne E. Brenner, K3UON, Arthur F. DeBruycker, W2YGW, Michael J. Dienes, WA3BNII, Monte O. George, W6CIL, Kenneth V. Hardman, W2DV, Vincent Hook, W7JAN, Lloyd G. Hustler, VE3DNZ, William C. Johnson, W9BUQ, David W. Langley,

W4YDY/K4IWJ, John C. Magly, K8PQZ, Norman L. Parker, W8NKK, Richard E. Peterson, W1WAJ, Raymond C. Petit, W7GHM, Leonard A. Petrus, K5GMG, William D. Rourke, III, W7ERH.

On motion of Mr. Eaton, unanimously VOTED to cast the League's vote in favor of admission to IARU membership of the Vereniging van Radio-amateurs in Suriname and the Mauritius Amateur Radio Society.

The President reported receipt at IARU Hq. of an invitation from the Region I IARU Executive Committee to send observers to the conference in Brussels next May 5-9, and his acceptance as IARU President.

The Committee discussed areas of activity where amateurs perform outstanding public service but which might be affected by potential commercial overtones, and requested the General Manager and General Counsel to confer with the Federal Communications Commission staff on this subject.

On motion of Mr. Huntoon, unanimously VOTED to provide a supplementary allotment of \$500 for projected additional expenses of the Public Relations Committee.

The President announced the appointment of Directors Eaton and Crossley as a committee to undertake the study tasks of Minutes 22 and 25 of the 1968 Board meeting, relating to the field organization and the affiliation of nets. He also announced the appointment of Board and staff liaison members for the new advisory committees — Director John Griggs, W6KW, and VHF Editor Edward P. Tilton, W1HDQ, for the VHF Advisory Committee; and Director Victor C. Clark, W4KFC, and Deputy Communications Manager Ellen White, W1YYM, for the Contest Advisory Committee.

Without formal action, the Committee also discussed "commercial" traffic in the amateur bands, DXCC, advisory committees, election campaign procedures, and QST advertising policy, during the course of which there was a recess for luncheon from 11:40 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned, at 3:45 p.m.

JOHN HUNTOON, W1VQ
Secretary

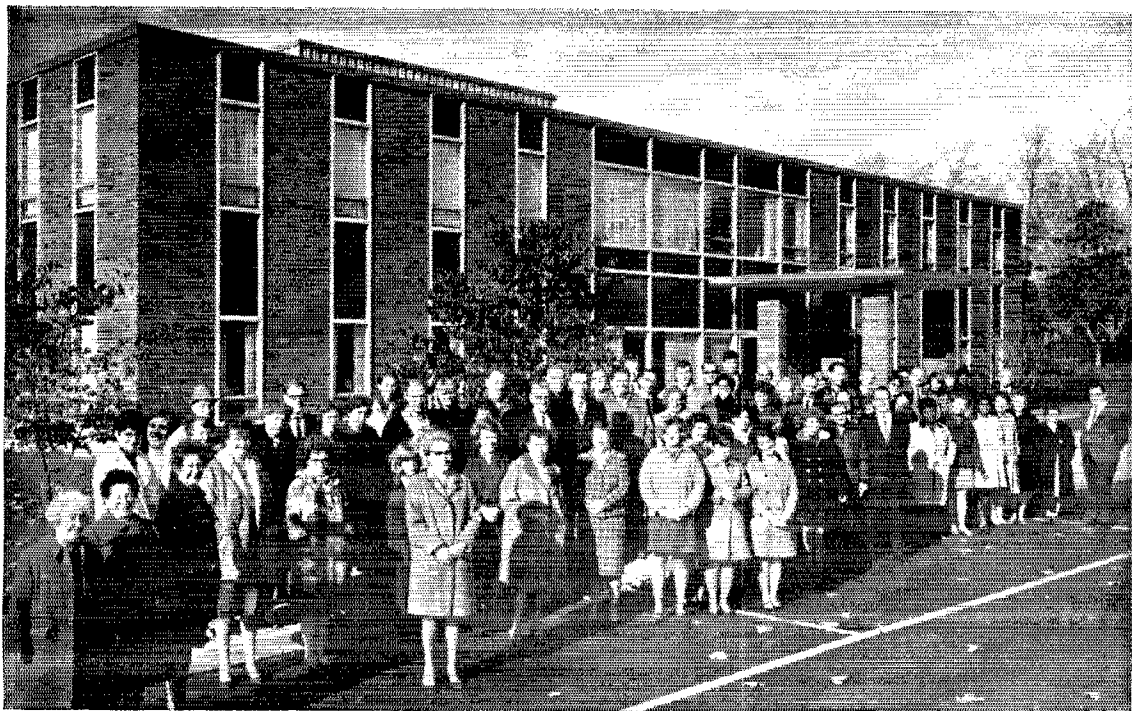
WHO THE DEVIL IS WHO?

Ninth in a Series of Call Conversion Charts

Here are additional calls of amateurs taking advantage of new rules which allow Extra Class licenses licensed 25 years ago or longer to acquire two-letter calls. If you should be listed here, let us know by post card right away.

| <i>Now</i> | <i>Was</i> | <i>Now</i> | <i>Was</i> | <i>Now</i> | <i>Was</i> | <i>Now</i> | <i>Was</i> |
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| W1KL | W1JNM | K4JC | W4RBZ | W6FW | K6HZU | W9BV | K9HBX |
| W2BT | W2VFG | K4JE | K4RAP | K6IV | W6ZER | W9CJ | W9ALV |
| W2BU | W2SHZ | K4JH | W4RVL | W6JT | WA6OQP | W9DU | W9SEM |
| W2KX | W2CZQ | K4JM | W4BZE | K6KH | W6GTR | W9EQ | W9DJE |
| W2OS | K2IWN | W4MY | K4MOD | W6WD | W6BGX | W9EW | W4DRV |
| W2VV | W2TFH | W4RV | W4DAK | W7HT | K7KLP | W9EY | W9JN |
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| W3TG | K3VZP | W5IN | W5DWR | W8FF | W8BUM | W9GY | W9NLH |
| W3TV | W3VKD | K6AH | W6DHY | W8GL | W8PGV | W9ID | W9OAO |
| W3UC | W3DHG | K6CH | W6SRF | W8HN | W8PKK | W9IQ | W9PEV |
| W3UD | WA3JFI | K6EL | W6AHC | W9BA | W9SJP | | |
| K4IY | W4JSS | W6FG | W6YRT | W9BS | W9APJ | | |

Best Wishes of the Season . . .



. . . from the ARRL/QST Hq. Crew

ARRL QSL Bureau

The function of the ARRL QSL Bureau System is to facilitate delivery to amateurs in the United States, its possessions and Canada of those QSL cards which arrive from amateur stations in other parts of the world. All you have to do is send your QSL manager (see list below) a stamped self-addressed envelope about 4¼ by 9½ inches in size, with your name and address in the usual place on the front of the envelope and your call printed in capital letters in the upper left-hand corner.

Cards for stations in the United States and Canada should be sent to the proper call area bureau listed below:

W1, K1, WA1, WN1¹—Hampden County Radio Association, Box 216 Forest Park Station, Springfield, Massachusetts 01108.
W2, K2, WA2, WB2, WN2—North Jersey DX Assn., P.O. Box 505 Ridgewood, New Jersey 07451.
W3, K3, WA3, WN3—Jesse Bieberman, W3KT, RD 1, Valley Hill Rd., Malvern, Pennsylvania 19355.
W4, K4—H. L. Parrish, K4HXF, RFD 5, Box 804, Hickory, North Carolina 28601.
WA4, WB4, WN4¹—J. R. Baker, W4LR, 1402 Orange St., Melbourne Beach, Florida 32951.
W5, K5, WA5, WN5—Hurley O. Saxon, K5QVH, P.O. Box 9915, El Paso, Texas 79989.
W6, K6, WA6, WB6, WN6—San Diego DX Club, Box 6029, San Diego, California 92106.
W7, K7, WA7, WN7—Willamette Valley DX Club, Inc., P.P. Box 555, Portland, Oregon 97207.
W8, K8, WA8, WN8—Paul R. Hubbard, WA8CXY, 921 Market St., Zanesville, Ohio 43701.
W9, K9, WA9, WN9¹—Ray P. Birren, W9MSG, Box 519, Elmhurst, Illinois 60216.

W0, K0, WA0, WN0—Alva Smith, W0DMA, 238 East Main St., Caledonia, Minnesota 55921.

KP4—Alicia Rodriguez, KP4CL, P.O. Box 1061, San Juan, P.R. 00902.

KZ5—Gloria M. Spears, KZ5GS, Box 407, Balboa, Canal Zone.

KH6, WH6—John H. Oka, KH6DQ, P.O. Box 101, Alea, Oahu, Hawaii 96701.

KL7, WL7—Alaska QSL Bureau, Star Route C, Wasilla, Alaska 99687.

VE1—L. J. Fader, VE1FQ, P.O. Box 663, Halifax, N. S.

VE2—John Ravenscroft, VE2NV, 353 Thorncrest Ave., Montreal 780, Quebec.

VE3—R. H. Buckley, VE3UW, 20 Almont Road, Downview, Ontario.

VE4—D. E. McVittie, VE4OX, 647 Academy Road, Winnipeg 9, Manitoba.

VE5—A. Lloyd Jones, VE5JI, 2328 Grant Rd., Regina, Saskatchewan.

VE6—Karel Tettelaar, VE6AAV, Sub. P.O. 55, N. Edmonton, Alberta.

VE7—H. R. Hough, VE7HR, 1291 Simon Road, Victoria, British Columbia.

VE8—George T. Kondo, VE8 ARRL QSL Bureau of Department of Transport, Norman Wells, N.W.T.

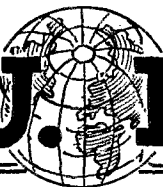
VO1—Ernest Ash, VO1AA, P.O. Box 6, St. John's, Newf.

VO2—Goose Bay Amateur Radio Club, P.O. Box 232 Goose Bay, Labrador.

SWL—Leroy Waite, 39 Hannum St., Ballston Spa, New York 12020.

¹ These bureaus prefer 5 X 8 inch or #50 manila envelopes.

I.A.R.U. News



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

FREQUENCY MANAGEMENT SEMINAR

Biennially the International Frequency Registration Board of the International Telecommunication Union¹ holds a frequency management seminar at its headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland. This seminar is aimed at assisting administrations, particularly in the developing countries, to more efficiently manage their use of the radio frequency spectrum. The seminars last for two weeks, and include lectures by members of the ITU staff and by distinguished experts from other countries. Traditionally, two evening receptions are held, in order to permit the delegates to become better acquainted on a personal basis. One of these receptions is sponsored by the Secretary General of the ITU, the other by the International Amateur Radio Club (IARU).

The Frequency Management Seminar provides a good opportunity for representatives of the amateur radio service to meet with telecommunications delegates from other countries and extoll the virtues of amateur radio. Thus, again this year, WIIKE of ARRL Hq., representing the International Amateur Radio Union, was present at the seminar, "selling" amateur radio to those delegates who might not have had much prior knowledge of the subject.

Some 70 delegates from 28 countries were present, including seven amateurs: FA5EJ, HK3HQ, LA5TA, PZ1AH, WIIKE, W3TGF, and 9G1DX.

¹ Specialized United Nations agency dealing with frequency allocations.

INDONESIA — BAN LIFTED

As reported by a special WIAW bulletin during November, the ban on radiocommunications by its amateurs with other amateurs throughout the world was lifted by the Indonesian government during the early part of November. The subject had been under discussion for several months, without a suitable notice having been filed with the International Telecommunication Union. During a visit to ITU headquarters in November, WIIKE of ARRL Headquarters was able to assist a representative of the Indonesian government prepare a communication which was acceptable to both the Indonesian government and the ITU, and which resulted in immediate notification by the ITU to member administrations that Indonesia no longer objected to communications between its amateurs and those of other countries. Actually, the first official notification of the lifting of the ban was contained in a letter from ITU to IARU headquarters.

RECIPROCAL NOTES

Canada and Norway have entered into a reciprocal operating agreement. Canada now has 12 such agreements with other countries.

The *Deutscher Amateur Radio Club* indicates that special short term licenses are available to foreign radio amateurs for journeys, holidays or visits. They are available only for a three-month period to nationals of countries with which Germany has reciprocal operating agreements. Application should be sent at least six weeks in advance to *DARC*, Muehlenweg 27, 5601 Doenberg, Germany and must include the following information: (1) Nationality of applicant, (2) christian name and surname, (3) date and place of birth, (4) home address, (5) home call sign, (6) name of applicant's radio society, (7) copy of home license indicating class, date of issue, and term, (8) three-month period for which license is requested, (9) address to which license should be sent, (10) residence in Germany or type of vehicle or registration number in case of mobile operation, and (11) declaration that DM 14 fee has been sent by post-cheque to *DARC*. Further details are available from IARU headquarters.

These seven amateurs were participants in the 1968 Frequency Management Seminar at International Telecommunications Union headquarters: (l. to r.) PZ1AH, 9G1DX, W3TGF, EA5EJ, LA5TA, HK3HQ, and WIIKE.



WORKED ALL ALLIANCE NATIONS

A new award for working all member nations of the Alliance for Progress has been announced by the Organization of American States Association, a private non-profit group which promotes support of the Organization of American States.

The certificate, called the "WAAN" (Worked All Alliance Nations) award will be granted for two-way contacts since March 17, 1961 with Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Columbia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, United States, Uruguay, and Venezuela, and since March 17, 1967 with Trinidad and Tobago, and November 15, 1967 with Barbados.

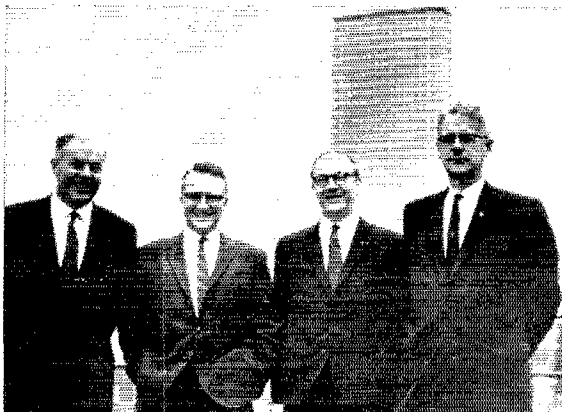
To qualify, amateurs must send a list of stations worked, including name of Alliance nation, call, date, band, mode and time to the OAS Association headquarters, 19th and Constitution Avenues, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006. **QST**



In early November the *Deutscher Amateur Radio Club*, (German IARU society) held one of its two annual meetings, this one at the Bundespost training school in Kleinheubach near Frankfurt. Left to right are DL1JH, elected moderator of the meeting; DL3NE, first chairman of DARC; DL1QK (standing), president of DARC; and (back to the camera) DL1JB, office manager of DARC. W1IKE of ARRL/IARU Hq. was a guest and gave a short talk on ARRL's DARE program. This meeting was also an excellent opportunity for W1IKE and DARC officers to share viewpoints on many of our common problems. Photo by DJ7GS.



At the *Deutscher Amateur Radio Club* fall meeting in Kleinheubach we see DL1FL and DJ1BZ well armed with documents as they prepare for another all-day session.



This rooftop has been the locale for many a photograph, but no more. It's on top of former RSGB headquarters at 28 Little Russell St., London. The headquarters of the *Radio Society of Great Britain* is now located at 35 Doughty Street, London, WC1 — the move having taken place Nov. 2, 1968. Gathered here, in the customary left to right, are Roy Stevens, G2BVN, RSGB Council member; Dick Baldwin, W1IKE, ARRL Assistant General Manager; Eric Dowdeswell, G4AR, RSGB General Manager; and Noel Eaton, VE3CJ, ARRL Canadian Division Director.

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.



Correspondence From Members -

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☐ Many thanks for the "tear-out" page of the November *QST* which has the amateur band allocations. I have spoken to several others on the bands who like this "page tear-out" business, and suggest that you go all out for this in future issues of *QST*. Such things as DXCC lists could be published this way and you wouldn't have to spend the extra postage sending them when requested. — *Norm Penny, W4EMP, Langley AFB, Va.*

VISITORS WELCOME

☐ A grand thank you for the splendid welcome and hospitality on our visit to the ARRL last week end. It was a 625 mile drive — one way, but worth every mile of it. I was not at all surprised when I found a bunch of young, vigorous, dedicated folks representing and fighting for all of hamdom, members or not. If one doubts the sincerity of ARRL, just go down and look it over. Anyone would be surprised and I for one am proud to have such an organization representing me and I am now more convinced than ever before that without ARRL there would be no amateur radio today. — *James L. Russell, W8BU, Cleveland, Ohio.*

MINIMUM POWER

☐ I would like to suggest that *QST* and the ARRL (which I regard highly and hold membership in) initiate a campaign of a subtle and positive nature to encourage the use of the minimum power necessary for communications. Hopefully, too, a campaign to encourage maximum courtesy and to de-emphasize the current "closed shop" attitude which seems to be so prevalent these days. No one really has exclusive use of certain frequencies though it seems that many seem to hold that idea. — *Rodney C. Smith, WB4JGY, Pensacola, Fla.*

☐ Now that you have created another class in the ham bands with incentive licensing we have now two classes — the incentive class, and the snob class with their kilowatts. While the incentive class is at least fair because it depends on knowledge and skill, the snob class depends on dollars.

So I will propose soon to the FCC to do away with the snob class by limiting power to 25 watts c.w. and 50 watts a.m. — *Arthur Mobbs, K2KDS, Dumont, N.J.*

BUILDING OR EXPERIMENTING?

☐ The picture and description of events on page 99 Nov. '68 is as insulting to the dedicated v.h.f./u.h.f. experimenters, as those gorgeous h.f. installations of Whoosis Line and rotating rhombics that were bought with dollars rather than sweat are to their counterparts.

Here is where the distinction between amateur radio and professionally engineered communications systems begins. — *James H. Grigg, W9BK, Chicago, Ill.*

CHALLENGE

☐ After over 20 years in amateur radio, and with the idea firmly entrenched in my mind that "I knew it all," I was deeply humiliated at the idea of the incentive licensing program, and that I would have to take two steps up the ladder, as I didn't need it. Knowing that it was either do or don't, I went for my examination 30 days ago. Guess what? I suddenly found out just how little I really knew. I failed the Extra Class code examination and the Advanced Class theory examination. This proved to me without a shadow of a doubt that the ARRL was right and there is a definite need for upgrading amateur radio as a whole. I was stuck in a rut and didn't know it. Thirty days later I again went for my Extra Class license after some intensive study. I am proud to say that I passed both the Advanced Class and the Extra Class exams at one sitting. This gave me a real lift and I am now studying for my first class commercial license.

I am truly grateful to the ARRL for promoting this idea. I encourage all amateurs, young and old, to dig in and get that Extra Class ticket. — *R. K. Wildman, W6MOG, San Diego, Calif.*

☐ I am glad to send my annual \$6.50 membership dues to ARRL. The League's help has meant much to me in making enjoyment of amateur radio possible. I was a member for two years before getting my WN5FFH Novice ticket in 1962 with the encouragement of K5MDT and K7ICV. In 1964, I passed my Technician examination and was issued my present call. By using WIAW code practice regularly after deciding to raise my performance, the General examination was passed in 1967 with a compliment from the examiner on the good code sending for a Technician licensee. Continued study, experimentation, and League publications made Advanced Class possible in 1968. Next? It will not be easy, but I intend to try!

Incentive licensing in amateur radio is good for the ham ranks and for our national preparedness. I cannot agree with those who would reduce requirements while electronic technology is increasing so greatly. — *Alan E. Van Antwerp, W1SLKV, Big Rapids, Mich.*

☐ Much has been said about the problem of apathy among hams and several solutions have been proposed. I would like to suggest another: Get yourself a higher class license.

This is what preparing for and passing the Extra Class exam did for me:

It stimulated my desire to obtain a code proficiency certificate for 25 w.p.m. or higher.

It reawakened my interest in learning more theory, particularly solid-state techniques, which I had let pass me by.

It got me on the air more often. One byproduct of that is that I'm now ready to apply for another DXCC endorsement, something I hadn't done for several years.

There's a good word to describe all of this—*serendipity*, meaning “the gift of finding valuable or agreeable things not sought for.” So not only are there very worthwhile advantages attached to the higher class license itself, but the fringe benefits aren't bad either! — *Theodore M. Hannah, K3CUI, Silver Spring, Md.*

STOLEN SWAN RECOVERED

☞ Thank you for publishing a notice about my stolen Swan 350 transceiver serial number 685559.

On October 29, a pawn shop operator in Bridgeport, Connecticut notified the police that the above described transceiver had come into his shop. The thief was apprehended and the rig was recovered.

Thank you very much for your cooperation in listing this piece of equipment. — *F. F. Willingham, WAAEWC, Winston-Salem, N.C.*

OPINION POLLS

☞ Our organization may have its faults and problems. However, I would like to say that recent opinion polls taken by the League concerning ARRL station appointments and policies indicate our League is not a stagnant, backward fraternity as some people may think. On the contrary, to me it indicates the staff at headquarters is tapping the members for new ideas and policies. I believe this to be a sign of progressiveness and a desire to change to meet the demands of the times. This will make the ARRL even better. Keep up the commendable work. — *John Williamson, WA7LFD, Scottsdale, Ariz.*

RM 1287

☞ Being an active dyed-in-the-wool Technician Class amateur with no great prospects of moving up, I was most heartened by your submission of RM 1287 to the FCC for reconsideration of 6-meter band restrictions. Whether yea or nay comes of it, your arguments show a very lucid understanding of the situation. Let's hope that the FCC gets the message. — *Ed Lar, K5MUH, Dallas, Texas.*

☞ Congratulations on at least giving the Technician grade ham a fighting chance. Just read your petition to the FCC for 6 meters. As a Technician who just hasn't found the time to obtain a higher class license, may I say that the few hours a month that I can operate I have met some of the country's greatest people. I read with shock in your letters column we Technicians are called a glorified CB lot. Please keep up the request to the FCC for a place on 6 that can still be used for the betterment of ham radio. — *Louis Van Roy, WB2QJQ, Lebanon, N.J.*

[EDITOR'S NOTE: For details see November 1968 *QST*, page 64.]

NEW W1AW FREQUENCIES

☞ Establishing W1AW bulletin and code practice frequencies 20 kHz. inside sub-bands is a step in the right direction. However, I think it would be better to use the exact frequencies dividing Extra from General on c.w. and Advanced from General on phone, e.g. 3525 kHz. and 3850 kHz. It is likely that there will be the least amount of operating by the facing classes on these exact frequencies and W1AW, with reasonable frequency tolerance, could serve as a benchmark for sub-band division. — *James A. Gundry, W8BW, Dearborn Heights, Mich.*

☞ I feel that the frequency change was a logical move in that it provides an easy way to locate W1AW regardless of which band you are on. Hats off to whoever came up with the idea! — *Chuck Hewitt, WA9TPA, Indianapolis, Ind.*

☞ It is my opinion that by this arbitrary move to the new frequencies in the c.w. bands, you have placed many of us who hold the Extra Class license in a most uncomfortable position. There will no doubt be a rash of correspondence directed to the League protesting against the lack of courtesy displayed by the Extra Class operators in causing unnecessary interference to the code-practice sessions, when in fact the interference will be largely the fault of the receivers at the point of reception in lack of selectivity, etc. One solution would be for all Extra Class operators to forego operation within 5 kHz. either side of W1AW during its transmissions, but this would severely infringe on the privileges and nominal rights granted to the amateur who has attained his Extra status. Naturally, restricting (even by “gentleman's agreement”) the Extra Class segment to the first 15 kHz. of the band during W1AW transmissions is ridiculous, even for the sake of uncluttered code practice for some persons; but I think it is no more ridiculous than some of the letters of protest that are sure to be directed to the League complaining of the aforementioned “discourtesy/unnecessary QRM” on the part of the Extra Class operators when 22 November has rolled around and the restricted segments are officially implemented.

In view of the foregoing; does it seem quite fair for those of us who have made efforts to keep in step with the “state of the art” and have secured our Extra Class licenses to be exposed to undeserved scorn and ridicule under the above circumstances? Doesn't a situation of this sort make for an illogical and one-sided turn of events that can only cause more heated feeling of a “class-distinction” beyond that which is implicit in the fact that an amateur operator must necessarily prove an advanced knowledgeability of modern techniques and code proficiency in order to attain his standing as an Extra Class operator? — *Robert L. Shea, W1HY, New Haven, Conn.*

☞ What of the poor fellows with broad-selectivity receivers — say 6 to 10 kHz. bandpass — who are trying to copy W1AW through the many QSOs on either side? Extra-Class operators generally have rather sophisticated gear, with the know-how to use it. We got our Extra Class licenses in order to have a segment free of inexperienced operators and other unnecessary operations. We have learned to operate with other stations very close by. Why, then, should we give up 6 to 10 kHz. of a 25-kHz. segment so that others can copy 5-w.p.m. code practice? This just doesn't make sense! Yet, when W1AW is QRMD by the closely operating Extra Class, who will be the villains to the fellow trying to copy W1AW? — *P. H. Martin, W8DI, Tallmadge, Ohio.*

'68 HANDBOOKS — GONE

☞ Boy, our guys really take the cake. Force us to take a new exam and then don't print enough copies of the *Handbook*. — *B. E. Crumrine, Jr., K3JFV, Media, Pa.*

[EDITOR'S NOTE: *Handbooks* have been available up until the last few weeks; sorry, we can't always guess closely as to how many we should print. Even with a larger press run in 1968, the copies moved faster than expected.] QST



CONDUCTED BY BILL SMITH,* WB4HIP

1296 E.m.e. Notes

I HAVE a suspicion that 1969 will be a banner year for accomplishment. The exotic means of communication are headed toward further exploration, with moonbounce (e.m.e.) leading the field. The number of successful e.m.e. operators on 144-MHz. is mounting, and I know of several others working quietly on the West Coast. They will make their first e.m.e. contact this year. 432 will receive some attention, but the pioneering will come on 1296 and 2300 MHz. There are several working 1296-MHz. e.m.e. systems in this country, including K4QIF, K6HCP, and WB6IOM, and two or three in Europe. 2300 MHz. is another story, but I know of at least two fellows who are making advances towards the first-ever 2300-MHz. e.m.e. contact. I'm betting on them before the end of '69.

Obviously, equipment parameters present more complex problems on these u.h.f. bands than on 144 or 432. Certainly higher gain can be realized with dishes of smaller over-all physical size, but r.f. losses and other problems overcome the apparent advantages.

Peter Laakmann, WB6IOM, has done considerable work refining his 1296 system. He receives echoes with a 10-foot dish and has worked W2NFA, WB6IOM, who authored articles on 1296-MHz. amplifiers in January, 1968, *QST* and August, 1968, *Ham Radio*, offers some suggestions to the would-be 1296 moonbouncer.

He receives his echoes, both on a paper recorder and integrator, and by ear through a 2-kHz. maximally-flat mechanical filter and earphones. The audible echoes peak about 6 db. above audible threshold, using a 10-foot dish having a gain of approximately 29 db. WB6IOM says power output, a low-noise receiver, a good feed system and an accurate dish are the important ingredients. Peter says he is quite satisfied with an *el-az* (elevation and azimuth) mount and computer tracking information for aiming his dish. The antenna's beamwidth is only 5 degrees, and being only 1 degree off can cost almost 2 db. over the e.m.e. path. He says it is difficult to achieve aiming accuracy with a motor driven polar mount.

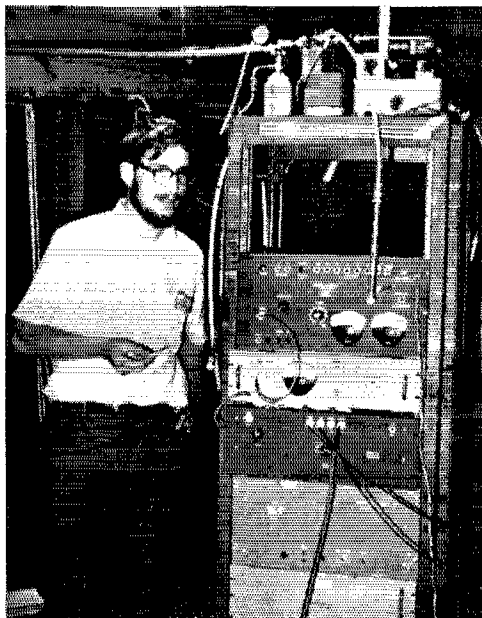
From the work WB6IOM has done on 1296 he finds the following to be the most common pitfalls:

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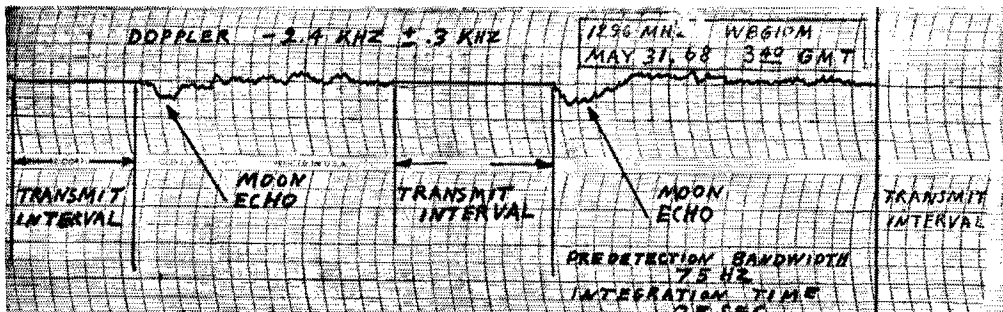
Dish Accuracy: An often-heard number is plus or minus 1/10 wavelength. This refers to keeping the wavefront in phase over the aperture, not to insignificant gain loss. Dish gain with that much error, if it extends over large portions of the dish, may be down 3 db. If the dish is accurate to plus or minus 1/20 wavelength you may still be one db. down, depending on the type of error. A dish that is down 3 db. in gain acts like one of half the area, and causes a 6 db. reduction in echo strength.

Dish F/D Ratio: A good ratio is between 0.35 and 0.60 for simple feeds. Dishes of 0.25 F/D are quite common on the surplus market (focal point in the plane of the dish). There is no way of feeding these dishes for aperture efficiencies of more than 30%, which means they perform like a dish of half the area.

Feeds: A feed should have a symmetrical pattern, and provide about a 10-db. edge taper (reduction in edge illumination) for maximum gain with simple feeds. If it is a circularly-polarized feed, the axial ratio must be as near unity as



Peter Laakmann, WB6IOM, and his 1296-MHz. final, capable of 500 watts output. Note the parametric amplifier on top the rack.



This stripchart recording clearly shows 1296-MHz. moon echoes received by WB6IOM using linear polarization, 500 watts into a 29-db. 10-foot dish and parametric amplifier for receiving.

possible at any point of the dish. Dipoles, crossed dipoles or helix antennas do not meet these requirements. The best feed is a circular waveguide made from a 6-inch coffee can. For linear polarization a monopole 4 inches from the back surface will give a good match. For circular polarization use two at 90 degrees with a $\frac{3}{4}$ wavelength (electrical) coax between them on the inside of the can. Both monopoles can be supported on N fittings. The length of the monopoles should be trimmed for good match and good axial ratio.

Power: Don't trust any power meter; most read too high. For a quick check, 500 watts output will melt RG-8 and 9 quickly. The same size Teflon cable will handle the power and after 10 minutes will be so hot you can not touch it. 10 watts will feel warm in RG-8 and will melt RG-58. Teflon cable of the same size will be too hot to touch. For better accuracy, use a water load with cable as a heater and a thermometer. The only way to get power on 1296 is with plenty drive and a lot of d.c. Most tubes have less than 6 db. power gain at full output.

Receivers: A parametric amplifier is best if the pump frequency is at X-band, and you have a diode good to at least 100 GHz. An isolator is very desirable for stability and bandwidth. I have seen parametric amplifiers with good noise figures, but with a 20-kHz. bandwidth they broaden radar pulses to the point where the noise clipper can not work. There are some good circulators on the market for under \$100 such as the MELABS. However, some of the better transistor r.f. amplifiers may perform as well at the feed as a paramp in the shack.

Feedline: Feedline loss is very difficult to reduce, and it degrades a system in three ways: (1) reduces the transmitted power, (2) reduces the received power by the same amount, and (3) increases the antenna noise temperature. One db. of feedline loss may cause a 4-db. reduction in echo S/N ratio, depending on the noise temperature of the antenna and paramp. I found that the $\frac{1}{8}$ -inch air line, pressurized with dry nitrogen, is superior to 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ inch Heliax. With all the flexible jumpers, connectors, t.r. switches and 20 feet of air line, I have a 1-db. loss. The best

way to measure this loss is with a dual directional coupler, bolometer, or by simply opening the far end and measuring the ratio of forward to reflected power. Since the wave travels both ways, loss is half of the measured amount.

Thanks to WB6IOM for sharing his observations.

For further e.m.e. system requirements, read the three-part series by K6MYC in the January, February, and March, 1968 column.

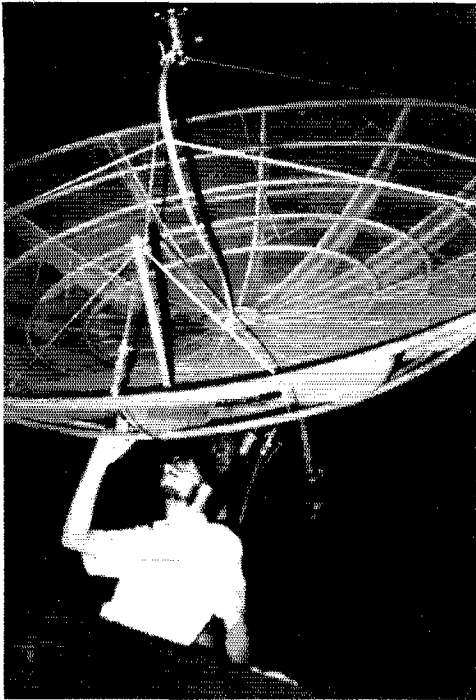
These Boxes

Here again this month are the states-worked boxes because there have been so many additions. There are a few stations who have incomplete listings such as the mileage of the best DX worked. When you request a listing, I'd appreciate your complete totals including a contact list. Remember *only* U.S. states count for states worked, but distance is independent of the country. Please check your listing, and if it is inaccurate let me know. Anyone not listed who wishes to be?

OVS and Operating News

50-MHz. band conditions have disappointed DXers since early November. On the first, a solar flare erupted, and by late in the month conditions had yet to recover. Several days in late October the east-west m.u.f. neared 50 MHz. causing optimism that the path would open, but the magnetic disturbance interfered. Not only is that path now nil, but KV4FU reported in late November that TE to South America was on a slow but steady decline. The one bright spot in November was the 3rd when KV4FU worked three continents in 75 minutes: PY7CN, Brazil, at 1505 GMT, ZB2BO, Gibraltar, at 1530, and ZS3E, Southwest Africa, at 1620. The contact with ZB2BO came during a series of schedules the two stations had been keeping for several weeks. W3KWH reports K9HMB, Chicago, worked CX1AAX, Uruguay, on November 4th.

These contacts, immediately following a major magnetic storm, are normal, but the failure of the m.u.f. to rebound supports the belief of some that Cycle 20 peaked in mid-summer, 1968.



WB6IOM visually aiming his 10-foot dish at the moon through a bore-sight. The dish is el-az mounted, and computer readouts are used for aiming on cloudy days.

Close watch was kept in late November for the possible 27-day cycle recurrence of the November 1 solar activity and associated *F-layer* surge, but nothing was noted. The solar flare also caused widespread aurora the first several evenings of November. One-thousand mile paths were covered between the midwest and east coast on 50 MHz. At Sitka, Alaska, KL7GLL reports aurora the night of November 1 allowed him to work VE6OH, and an even dozen stations in Washington.

Even though conditions do not appear encouraging at this writing, there is still the possibility of a few openings such as on New Year's Day, 1969. North-south *TE* paths should improve during the spring. Don't give up yet! Solar cycles have had secondary peaks as long as three years after the initial high surge.

Now for DX notes. VE3EVW is vacationing on Montserrat, in the Caribbean, southeast of Puerto Rico, signing VP2MJ. He says he'll be there until sometime in April, running s.s.b. and c.w. near 50.10. Another new one is ZD8NK, Ascension Island who worked W2UTH, Victor, N.Y., at 1015 EST Dec. 1. ZD8NK has a SB-110, s.s.b. and c.w. near 50.10. And there is now a station in the Dominican Republic active, also s.s.b. and c.w. HI8XDS has a 5894 feeding 6 elements and says he is building a kw. amplifier. HI8XDS reports working several South Americans on *TE* including CX7AG and LU7EN. He caught his first *E_s* Nov. 27, working several

stations in the Miami area. It is a shame that more Caribbean stations can not be encouraged to try 50 MHz. Propagation conditions to and from that area are generally excellent.

In the Pacific, KH6EQF operates a 24-hour beacon on 50.098 beamed toward the mainland. ZK1AA, Cook Island, remains active just above 52 MHz., but tunes 50 MHz., and 5W1AR is reported active on Samoa. VK4RO, Australia, tells W3KWH of excellent summer (Southern Hemisphere) *Es*, but little in the way of *F-layer* DX. ZB2BO says he and ZB2BC, both active near 50.10, have worked Rhodesians ZE1AN, ZE1JJ and ZE7JX, and ZS3E. ZB2BC says ZS3B, ZS4SA, ZS4UH, ZS6NM and a number of ZS1s are active, as well as beacon stations ZS1VHF, 50.10 and ZE1AZI, 50.04.

Sporadic *E* openings were infrequent during this reporting period. There was, however, one excellent three-hour opening November 22nd along the Atlantic seaboard and as far inland as Pittsburgh.

A fine Northeast to Middle-West opening came the night of Dec. 1. Surely there will have been several good *Es* openings in late December and extending into January, during the peak of the annual minor *Es* season. This period might offer South American DX to stations in the northern states through the not-too-common *Es* to *TE* link. Evening *Es* openings over more-or-less north-south paths would bear close attention, for South American signals.

144-MHz. meteor scatter fans found the November Leonids once again very productive, but a little late in arriving. The shower peaked the morning of the 17th between 8 and 11 a.m., EST. While not as good as the 1966 Leonids, this year's

220-and 420-MHz. STANDINGS

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| <i>220 MHz.</i> | | | K2YCO... 8 | 6 | 550 |
| W1HDQ... 13 | 5 | 450 | W2SEU... 6 | 4 | 220 |
| K1JX... 11 | 4 | 600 | W3RUE... 14 | 7 | 585 |
| K1BFA... 8 | 3 | 225 | W3UJG... 9 | 4 | 400 |
| | | | K3IUV... 9 | 4 | 310 |
| K3CBA... 17 | 5 | 1090 | | | |
| W2SEU... 12 | 5 | 325 | W4FJ... 17 | 7 | 940 |
| K2RTH... 11 | 3 | 300 | K4QIP... 14 | 6 | 1065 |
| W2CRS... 8 | 3 | 200 | K4EJQ... 12 | 5 | 550 |
| K2DNR... 7 | 3 | 175 | K4NTD... 8 | 2 | 835 |
| | | | W4VHH... 4 | — | 450 |
| W3UJG... 14 | 5 | 460 | | | |
| W3RUE... 10 | 5 | 480 | W5RCL... 19 | 6 | 880 |
| K3IUV... 10 | 4 | 310 | W5ORH... 11 | 4 | 700 |
| | | | W5AJG... 7 | 3 | 1010 |
| K4IXC... 3 | 2 | 1090 | W5UKQ... 6 | 2 | 530 |
| | | | W5AWK... 3 | 2 | 222 |
| W5RCL... 9 | 4 | 700 | | | |
| W5AJG... 3 | 2 | 1050 | W6DQJ... 4 | 2 | 360 |
| | | | | | |
| W6WSQ... 4 | 4 | 945 | K7ICW... 4 | 2 | 225 |
| K7ICW... 4 | 2 | 250 | W7JRG... 2 | 2 | 420 |
| W8PT... 11 | 6 | 660 | | | |
| W8EYE... 6 | 2 | 825 | W8PT... 13 | 7 | 715 |
| | | | W8MNT... 13 | 7 | 600 |
| VE3AIB... 7 | 4 | 450 | K8DO... 12 | 6 | 450 |
| | | | W8HVX... 11 | 6 | 495 |
| | | | W8RQI... 10 | 6 | 425 |
| | | | W8PWF... 7 | 4 | 450 |
| | | | W8VHG... 6 | 4 | 290 |
| <i>420 MHz.</i> | | | | | |
| K1BFA... 10 | 4 | 470 | W9HUV... 16 | 7 | 780 |
| W1QVF... 10 | 5 | 400 | W9AAG... 12 | 4 | 600 |
| K1JX... 10 | 4 | 385 | K9AAJ... 12 | 5 | 425 |
| W1HDQ... 10 | 3 | 250 | W9NKT... 9 | 3 | 400 |
| | | | W9JY... 7 | 4 | 300 |
| K9UYH... 13 | 6 | 718 | | | |
| W2BLV... 13 | 5 | 500 | W0DRL... 17 | 5 | 1065 |
| K2ACQ... 12 | 8 | 880 | W0EYE... 5 | 2 | 425 |
| K2CBA... 12 | 6 | 2670 | | | |
| W2CLL... 12 | 6 | 693 | VE2HW... 3 | 3 | 750 |
| K2CY... 9 | 6 | 525 | VE3ZC... 7 | 5 | 510 |
| WAZEUS... 9 | 4 | 260 | VE3AIB... 5 | 4 | 450 |

shower was better than last year and produced numerous loud, long bursts and few pings. K0GJX, South Dakota, worked K2HLA, New York, on the 16th, making the contact on a full one-minute burst during the last minute of their hour-long schedule. On the 17th, K0GJX worked K1HTV, Connecticut, while K2HLA was working K0AWU at Grand Forks, North Dakota. By working both Dakotas, K2HLA brought his states worked total to 36.

W0LER, who is very active on 144 and 432 from Minneapolis, worked his 33rd, K1BKK in Vermont. And another Twin City station, W0LCN, worked W5RCI in Mississippi. K4LXC, Florida's primary m.s. representative, found the Leonids good enough to make two contacts by calling CQ. John worked W9VWY, Illinois, and W5UGO, Oklahoma, on CQs during the shower's peak. K4LXC also worked WA9UHB and K9QKB in Illinois, and W8IDT and W8IDU, both Michigan, on schedules the same morning. John says Technicians are missing a good opportunity for 2-meter DX by not trying meteor scatter. I'm sure John is right. Why not contact stations listed in the states worked boxes, and arrange schedules? M.s. will work as well at 145 MHz. as at 144. K4LXC suggests some of the old hands at m.s. are looking for new stations to work. John offers schedules to all comers, and has the patience to encourage would be m.s. buffs.

Orionid m.s. successes include K4GL, South Carolina, working W1AZK, New Hampshire, on a 90-second burst, Oct. 20. The same day K4GL heard a 30-second burst from W0DRL, Kansas, who was scheduling W6WSQ! K4GL now has an 80-element collinear 92 feet high. K2HLA worked Minnesotan W0RLI on a loud 35-second burst, and K0GJX made his first m.s. contact by working VE3BPR, Ontario. W3KWH didn't make any contacts during the Orionids, but then he was scheduling such DX as K7VTM, Wyoming, and K7NII, Arizona. Gary heard the Wyoming station, and pings and two letters from K7NII, over an 1800-mile path! K7ICW kept schedules during the Orionids with VE7BQH at Vancouver, B.C. No contact was made, but they both noted under dense bursts which were unreadable. K7ICW says the bursts sounded like the background signal common to ionospheric scatter on 50 MHz. Such signals have previously been noted by W2AZL and others.

The November 1 aurora reported in the 50-MHz. section also produced outstanding 144-MHz. aurora signals. W3KWH, Pittsburgh, worked stations in all call areas except the sixth and seventh. His best DX was a 1006-mile contact with W5ORH in Oklahoma. Gary also worked from Iowa to Massachusetts on aurora the following night. W3BDP, Delaware, worked Indiana's W9BRN, plus numerous W1s and 2s. In Barrington, Illinois; WA9QZE noted the aurora with his SR-42A transceiver and 8-element Yagi. He copied stations in seven states, and VE3ASO in Ontario.

2-METER STANDINGS

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|-------------|----|------|-------------|----|-------|
| W1JSM...35 | 8 | 1400 | K5TQP...27 | 7 | 1254 |
| K1ABR...34 | 8 | 1478 | W5MCC...23 | 8 | 1430 |
| W1AZK...34 | 8 | 1412 | K5PTK...17 | 5 | 1330 |
| K1WHT...31 | 8 | 1300 | W6DQ...17 | 4 | 1326 |
| K1WHS...29 | 8 | 1300 | W6WSQ...16 | 4 | 1390 |
| K1HGO...29 | 8 | 1280 | W6NLZ...12 | 5 | 2540 |
| K1HTV...29 | 8 | 1301 | W6HMS...11 | 4 | 1258 |
| K1BKK...26 | 7 | 1275 | K6JYO...11 | 4 | 1240 |
| W1HDQ...24 | 7 | 1040 | W7JRG...27 | 6 | 1320 |
| W1VTV...22 | 8 | 1296 | K7NII...24 | 5 | 1290 |
| K1MTJ...20 | 7 | 1225 | K7ICW...16 | 4 | 1246 |
| K1JFX...18 | 7 | 800 | | | |
| K1RJH...17 | 7 | 1450 | | | |
| W2NLY...37 | 8 | 1390 | W8PT...41 | 9 | 1260 |
| W2CXY...37 | 8 | 1360 | W8IDU...27 | 8 | 1150 |
| W2ORL...37 | 8 | 1320 | W8TUV...24 | 8 | 1000 |
| K2LLA...36 | 8 | 1305 | K2ZRS...22 | 8 | 675 |
| W2BLV...36 | 8 | 1150 | W8NQH...17 | 7 | --- |
| W2AZL...36 | 8 | 1380 | WARVHG...13 | 6 | 465 |
| W2ZFGK...33 | 8 | 1340 | | | |
| K2RTH...31 | 8 | 1215 | K9SGD...42 | 9 | 1300 |
| W2CRS...26 | 8 | 1270 | WA9DOT...41 | 9 | 1303 |
| K2VCO...20 | 7 | 750 | K9TUF...41 | 9 | 1150 |
| W2FXB...20 | 6 | 915 | K9AAJ...40 | 9 | 1200 |
| K2DNR...19 | 6 | 1010 | W9AAG...37 | 9 | 1200 |
| W2PAW...19 | 6 | 1000 | W9EYF...32 | 8 | 1050 |
| W3RUE...36 | 8 | 1100 | W9PBP...32 | 8 | 820 |
| W3KWH...35 | 8 | 1345 | W9IFA...32 | 8 | --- |
| W3GFP...32 | 8 | 1108 | W0BFB...45 | 10 | 1350 |
| K3CFA...25 | 8 | 1200 | K0MQS...43 | 10 | 1590 |
| W3BDP...23 | 8 | 1100 | W0NKE...42 | 10 | 1326 |
| K3OBU...21 | 7 | 930 | W0DQY...41 | 9 | 1300 |
| W3BH...20 | 8 | 1310 | W0LPE...38 | 9 | 1040 |
| W3LHF...19 | 6 | 700 | W0EYE...35 | 9 | 1380 |
| W3TFA...17 | 7 | 1342 | W0ENC...33 | 9 | 1334 |
| W4HJQ...39 | 9 | 1150 | W0LER...33 | 9 | 1250 |
| W4VNI...38 | 9 | 1350 | W0DRL...25 | 9 | 1295 |
| W4HHK...38 | 9 | 1280 | W0LCN...23 | 6 | 1000 |
| K4LXC...38 | 8 | 1403 | ENDO...1 | 1 | 5100 |
| K4BJQ...37 | 8 | 1125 | K7BUK...2 | 2 | 2540 |
| W4CKB...34 | 8 | 1325 | OHNLN...1 | 1 | 5850 |
| W4FJ...34 | 8 | 1150 | | | |
| K4QIP...33 | 8 | 1225 | VE1AUC...7 | 2 | 500 |
| W4VHL...33 | 8 | 1100 | VE2HW...11 | 5 | 800 |
| K4GL...31 | 8 | --- | VE3BGR...9 | 4 | 600 |
| W4AWS...29 | 8 | 1330 | VE3DQ...9 | 4 | 600 |
| W5UGO...42 | 10 | 1398 | VE3EZ...33 | 8 | 1283 |
| W5RCL...42 | 9 | 1289 | VE3AIR...29 | 8 | 1340 |
| K5WYZ...36 | 10 | 1450 | VE3EVW...25 | 8 | 1100 |
| W5AJG...33 | 9 | 1360 | VE3ASO...21 | 7 | 850 |
| W5TKQ...29 | 8 | 1150 | VE7BQH...3 | 2 | 1248 |
| W6EYV...27 | 10 | 1285 | VK3ATN...3 | 3 | 10417 |

The figures after each call refer to states, call areas and mileage of best DX. Revised May, 1968.

On the 2nd, VE3EVW worked his 25th state, WIDE0 in Maine.

Two meters certainly dished out much interesting DX via tropo, m.s., aurora and moon-bounce during 1968.

220-MHz. m.s. worked during the November Leonids. W6WSQ, Covina, Calif., worked K5TQP, Albuquerque, N. Mex., W0EYE, Ward, Colo. (second m.s. QSO over this path on 220) and W7JRG, Billings, Mont., between 1300 and 1600 GMT, keeping one-hour skeds with each station. Signals peaked as high as 30 db. over the noise. Bursts from the latter two stations were up to 30 seconds duration, and K5TQP was heard for over a minute, at one time. Mel had not heard 220-MHz. bursts longer than 15 seconds previously. He feels that the Leonids may be the best bet for anyone interested in the bands above 144, because of the higher velocity of meteors in this November event.

W7JRG now has two states and two call areas on 220 — but no Montana and no W7! Ken had been using a 7-element Yagi, and it was with this antenna that he worked W0EYE initially, and had some results with W6WSQ. This has now been replaced with a 16-element collinear, with much-improved results. He worked W0EYE on the Nov. 1 aurora, and has now worked this path via aurora on 50, 144, 220 and 432.

K4IXC, Melbourne, Fla., is keeping 220 skeds with K1AGB, and is open for skeds with any well-equipped 220-MHz. station.

At Cambridge, Mass., K4GGI, operator at W1MX, caught good tropo conditions Oct. 14, 15 and 22. He added W3ARW, Pa., and W2JKL, N.Y., to their 220-MHz. list, now totalling 6 states.

430-MHz. DXers continue adding to their states totals. W0DRL, Kansas, reached 16 states when he worked W0EYE/0, Colorado, over a 330-mile path. And then Al added number 17 by working W0IT (formerly W0BJV) at Watertown, South Dakota. W0DRL made a relatively-rare 432 aurora contact during the excellent November 1 display, working W9WCD, Illinois, with S5 signals both ways. W0DRL also heard W0IT. In Illinois, WA9HUV climbed to 16 states by working WA2EMB, New York. There is a new leader in states worked from the 2nd call area: K2UYH has reached 13 states, 6 call areas, and a best DX of 718 miles, in just *two months*, from his new Cedar Grove, N.J. location! Al's 13th state was WA9HUV, worked the night of November 4, along with K9CNN, Illinois, and W8HVX, Michigan. The opening began after midnight and lasted until at least 3 a.m. Al got W2CLL out of bed in time for Bob to work the same stations, bringing his totals to 12 states. W2CLL may be better known to some as W7PUA. He may be contacted at RFD 1, Box 28R, Flanders, New Jersey 07836.

In Michigan, W8HVX's contact with K2UYH on November 11th accounted for his 11th state. W8HVX runs one kw. and uses a 32-element collinear. Also in Michigan, WSMNT has boosted his total to 13 states. He reports that W4VQA is active in Kentucky. He runs 50 watts, and accepts weekend schedules.

Tropo conditions in October and November proved the best of the year throughout the U.S.

In the Far West, K7ICW, Nevada, continues schedules with W6DQJ. On the opposite coast, K4IXC has an 88-element Tilton Yagi array completed and wants tropo and a.s. schedules.

1215 and Up. Activity reports aren't numerous, but there *are* some. W4HHK, Collierville, Tenn., is hard at work improving his 2300-MHz. system. After he installed Heliac in the flexible section of the line to his dish he started hearing solar noise on 2300. Reception has been consistently around 6 db above the receiver noise. The receiver has a crystal mixer with 144-MHz. output and a parametric amplifier with circulator. Tests have been made regularly with WA4HGN, just over 100 miles distant.

WA4HGN has a 2C51 oscillator-tripler, 64 to 192 MHz., 2C39 tripler, 2C39 doubler, 2C39 doubler and 2C39 amplifier, running straight-through on 2304 MHz., feeding a 30-inch dish with juice-can feed and 2-inch Heliac. In one-way tests (75-meter s.s.b. the other way) this produced no signals at W4HHK, so on Nov. 22, Billy took the whole works up to Pilot Knob, near Camden, Tenn. The 2304-Mc. signal came over the 115-mile path immediately, but was too

chirpy at first to be read in Paul's 3-kHz. pass-band. Adjustments stabilized the oscillator enough to make the signal readable, and tests were continued for nearly three hours, with the signal peaking some 10 db. above the noise.

The juice-can feed used by WA4HGN and the 2300-MHz. converter at W4HHK are slated for appearance in *QST*.

Some more fine work on 2300, with crystal control, is being done by K2GRI, near Saratoga Springs, N.Y., and W1AJR, Newport, R.I. They have yet to work two-way, but K2GRI's 15-watt signal runs 6 to 10 db. above the noise at W1AJR. This is a 170-mile path, over which signals on 144 and 432 are relatively weak, except when good tropo conditions prevail. Two-way work can be expected when W1AJR is able to feed his 4-foot dish with something more than his present two watts. QST

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How's DX?

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Who?

Fabulastic! A new whopper of a DX contest to run hour after hour, day upon day, year in and year out on every DX band. Who'll be No. 1 across the globe?

The new year hollers "Go!" for your League's new Five-Band DX Century Club Award, detailed on page 110, October '68 QST. Old-time DX hounds lamenting lack of new worlds to conquer have their work cut out for them with this one. They'll be taking on the rough and ready new DX breed, too, because this is a start-from-scratch deal.

We've decorated our pages this month with some background QSL music for 5B-DXCC's launching. If W/K/VE/VO DX hunters have work cut out for themselves, so do our rarer DX friends and their QSL managers. Take AP2HB for example. Hamid's QSL obligations will multiply by the number of bands he works. He usually sticks to 20 sideband. Would AP2HB dare try 15 or 40 in a reckless moment? Later on considerable salesmanship may be required to coax rarities into such vulnerable QSYs.

Then there are the regular multibanders and the contest gang, guys like GC8HT, KV4-AA, OY7ML, YN1AA, *et al.* Can they handle the soaring pasteboard pressures? Contest and DXpeditionary QSLing, with a little organization, can be systemized down to single cards confirming QSOs on several bands. But the more usual scattered one-shot contacts on various bands will mean greatly accelerated QSL traffic all along the line. Our poor bureaus!

Other 5B-DXCC angles come to mind. We've got five highly productive DX bands going right now, 10 through 80 meters. Make your multiband DX hay while the sunspots shine! In a few short seasons, except for intermittent north-south propagation, 28 MHz. will become a DX desert once more. Looks as though persistent schedules using high power and impressive arrays will be required to eke out the necessary 5th-band hundred in years ahead. Even band No. 4 will be a problem; for 21 MHz. goes high and dry at times. Can 160 meters eventually produce enough DX to help fill the void? W1BB and friends think it can, and they have plenty of confirmed countries to prove it. Under crushing competitive forces to come, nighttime 160 may never be quite the same old short-haul band again.

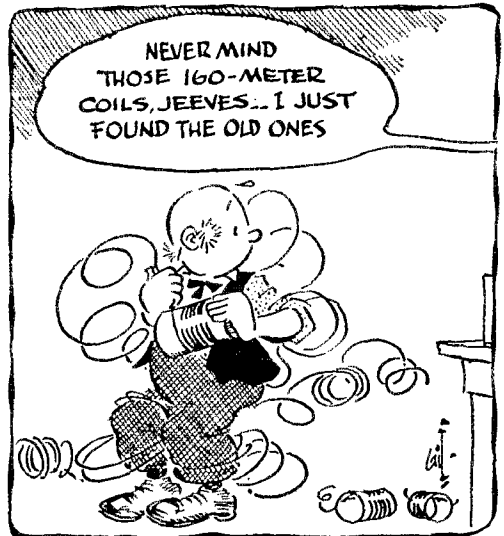
But the most immediately obvious and interesting aspect of 5B-DXCC is its hand-in-

glove relationship to FCC's new incentive-licensing program. Because most DX stations lie in or off the low edges of our h.f. bands and subbands, the W/K DXer without at least Advanced status is practically out of the picture. No wonder on a still night you can hear code practice oscillators beepin' and ARRL *License Manual* pages rustlin' all across the land. Stick with it, OMs—see you on the low ends!

What?

We planned to hit all c.w. bands except 20 this time, but 15 has been so delicious lately that it's bound to chew up all available space. In southerly latitudes 21-MHz. DX pours through nearly 'round the clock. So let's stick to

15 c.w. chorus by "How's" informants **Ws** 1DAL 3HMR 3HNK 4YOK 7BE 8YGR 9GXH 9LNO, **Ks** 4FCB 8BC'K, **WAs** 1CJE 1CKO 1DMG 1FHU 1HDP 2APG 3GVP 3HRV 3IDD 3KOS 5MIN 5PPZ 8SOX 8MCO 8VBY 9MCI 9SOY 9TFM 9URY, **Wbs** 2BCI 2D-ZZ 4GSS 6VVS, **Is** DFE and ER; **AZCAQ** (21.075 kHz.) 4800 GMT, aloof **BY1PK** (50) 15, **CES** 3LB (20) 3, 3ZK 4LQ, **CMIs** AQ (11), AR (14) 22, **CNs** 2AQ (62) 8, 8CO (82) 16, 8MH 8, 8MT (82), **COs** 2BB (45) 18, 2BM (38) 19, 2DR (37) 21, 6AH 22, **CP2BH**, **CRs** 3KD (95) 13, 6AI (5) 8, 6AL (90) 21, 6BX 17, 6CK (27) 15, 6FI (75) 14, 6GO (40) 12, 7BN (25) 18, 7HC (74) 17, 7IZ (20) 18, 7ZN, **CTs** 1BH 1HX 1LN (115) 21, 1MO 15, 2AV 3AS (32) 10, **CXs** 1JM (71) 19-1, 3BH (87) 15-16, 3DN (30), 4CO (55) 18, 4JK (14) 22, 7AP (88) 23, 8AAV (24) 0, **DMs** 2AHA (67) 17, 2APE (5) 17, 2BPP 2BYM (22), 2CDL 19, 2DGO (46), 30ML (26) 17, 3WSO (23), **EAs** 6AR (50) 15-16, 6BD (42) 17, 6BH (35) 20, 8RI (40) 22-23, 8FT 19, 8FB (52) 13, 8FF 8FJ (58) 8, 8FO (17) 1, 8GA 13, 9AQ (55) 13-14, 9EO (10) 14, **ELs** 3BF 5AJ 9AR (30) 18, 9J (27) 22, **ELs** 2BB (22), 2E 2J 2NJ (17) 16, 2Y (54) 18, 9C, **EP2KB** (21) 11, **ET3s** FMA USA (40) 7-18, **FB8s** WW (90) 14, **XX** (76) 13, **FG7s**



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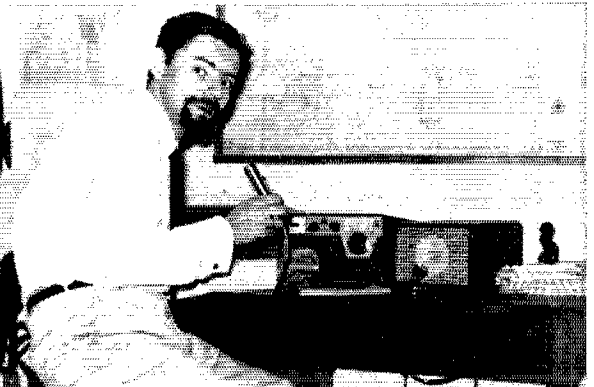
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2LL 4BE 5AHN 5BOA 5BPJ, many YUs, ZB2s BF (43) 20, BO (25) 12-13, ZC4s JU (13) 17, MO, ZDs 8J 8RB 8Z (30) 13, 9AC (30) 0, ZEs 1AV (81) 18, 1CY (52) 18, 1JC (28) 18, 1JL (57) 23, 2JC (36) 20, 4JS 23, 5JS, loads of ZIs including 5AA (50) 3, ZP5AW 2, ZS3s D HF 18, LU 22, XQ (53) 18, YK (66) 18, 3A2EM (29) 18, 4LIA, 457s DA (54) 12, EA (10) 16, EC, 4U1TU (48) 13, 4X4s CK (25) 22, HF NZI QA 20, RS VL (22) 1, 4ZAs AG CK (53) 23, DL NUC, 5A3s TW (27) 12, TX, 5H3-JL 5N2AAU (78) 10, 5UFAN (28) 8, 5Z4s DQ 18, DW (23) 19-20, KO (72) 20, LE (47) 21, LG 8S (16) 19, 6W8s AW (32) 22, BI (32) 16, BJ CQ 19, DW 16, XX (12) 6-18, 7P8s AB (90), AR 17, 7QYs AM (80) 15, RM (43) 16, 7X0WV (18) 18, 8P6s AY 21, BU (43) 19, 9G1s GI (30) 15, KM, 9H1s AK (29) 15, AQ (80) 18, AZ (25) 12, AV BA (60) 21, BE (18) 13-19, Q (65) 11, R, 9J2s BT CL (50) 22, MX (34) 18, 1E 18, 9K2BJ (55) 10, 9M2s DW GJ (25) 16, US (20) 16, 9Q8s DT JR (65) 18, JF 22, PT RF (26) 18, WS 22, 9U5DL (40) 16-17, 9V1s OK (58) 17, ON (79) 15, OS (25) 12-13, OT (44) 15, PA (24) 18, PD (46) 15, 9X5AA and 9Y4LA (62) 23.

15 Novice notes come from WNs 2FOR 2REH 3JRY 3KHZ 41F 41YX 4YJB and 7JIG concerning anticipated QRls from CEs 2RM 11, 3GW (150) 0, CO6JH (110) 22, CR6s BX 23, IP 22, CX2AM 23, DJ5OD (140) 22, DK2PS 23, DLs 2AM 18, 2LE 20, 3HA 23, 4FQ (120), 4QP (120) 22, 8AM (120) 13, EA3QW (120), E43BF 21, EL2NJ 19, F8 2GZ 18, 2JV 14, 3KT (105) 23, 5UH (115) 20, 5ZZ 20, 8VO 18, 9EP (105) 21, 9XL 18, G13VAW, HAs 3MJ (114) 14, 4YM 20, HC1MF (116) 23, HB9NG 21, HITMV, HK3s BKU 0, RQ 22, HL9US 0-1, 1I-AFT13, JAs 1KSO 1LX 2, 1NRH 1XEI 2EKR 3DGC 3EGE 3YKM 4DFJ 4DGG 5A7O 7CVQ 9AVU, KA2SM 1, KG6AAy, KP4DBJ (140) 0, KV4EU (120), KX6BU 22, KZ5RNN (132) 2, LA3VF, LU8s 4QD 6DJX 23, OEs 1WO 20, 3GW 18, 5ANL 21, OHs 1TW 20, 2BR/mm 2BGD 22, 8NY 14, 6NH 15, OKs 1V 14, 1WC (100) 21, 3KGI 17, PAOFLX 22, PYs 1NAK (120), 1NWE 0, 2PU (150) 0, 3RYJ (140), 3CAD 23, 4BLM 22, 5ASN (132) 23, 5CAN (105) 0, 5UI 23, 6CE 23, 5Ms 2COR (120), 3EWB 14, 6AFH (120) 22, 7DER 18, SPs 5PSL 15, 7KAN 18, 9WY (114) 23, UAs 1CE 0, KAC (124) 17, VKs 1MC 1QI 2APK 3, 2BKM 2QK 3EM 7MZ 7SM, VO9DH 21, WH6s GLB G1P GME GMP (122) 22, GMU GND, WL7s GDU GIC (136) 22, GHF GOU 1, WP4s DCR (120), DAJ 23, WV4FN (120), XEs 1AU 2EEL (158) 14, YVs 1JV (17), 5CFEN (120), ZIs 1BGR 2, 1TB 3, 2GH (120), 3JC (1), 3JO (160), 4U1TU 16, 4ZANCC 19, 5Z-4LE 22, 6Y5ET (115) 18, 9G1GT 22, 9H1AQ 21 and 9O3JR (105) 22-23. With the new two-year Novice ticket we may see more than the usual handful of WN DXCCers this sunspot maximum.

We're still due to hear from (80 c.w.) W1SWX, K4-IEY, WAs 1FHU 8MCQ, WN4JYB; (40 c.w.) Ws 1ARR, 2HNK 8YGR, K4FCB, WAs 1DJG 1FHU 2APG 3IYS 5SOX 8MCQ, WNs 2DZZ 4GTI, WN8JRY; (20 c.w.) Ws 1VAH 3ICQ 3BH2 4YOK 8YKS 7BE 81BX/2 SYGR, K4TWJ, WAs 1FHU 1GGN 1JDP 2REH 3HRV 3HD 3KOS 5PPZ 8MCQ 9MQI 9SQY 9TFM, WBs 2BCT 3GSS 4GTI, 1IER, R, Macy; (10 c.w.) Ws 8YGR, Ks 1HDO 8BCK, WAs 1DJG 1FHU 2BEH 5PPZ 8MCQ 8MGD, Hs DFE ER, KP4DBJ; (75 phone) WAs 8MCQ; (20 phone) Ws 2DY 2VOZ 3HNK 4NJF 4YOK 8YGR 81BX/2, K4TWJ, WAs 1FHU 1JDP 2BHJ 3HRV 3HD 5PUQ 8MCQ 9TFM, WBs 2BCT 4GSS 6WLH/3; (10 phone) K1HDO, WAs 8MCQ; (160) W1BB, K1KSH; and monitor P. Kilroy on four voice bands. We'll be back to 15 phone after last month's round-up, too, thanks to Ws 2DY 3HNK 8YGR, WAs 1JDP 2BEH 8MQI 9SQY 9URY, WBDZZ and other reporters to file. About set for the exam for your next grade of license? Oh, *hate* your Extra? Maybe FCC can whomp up a Super Class for you, then, with one-letter calls or something.

9X5PB (DJ5DC) works for the Voice of Germany network in Kigali, Bernie, who prefers 21-MHz. DX chasing, formerly signed EL2AG. (Photo via WA9UGF)



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AFRICA—Kagnew Station Amateur Radio Club secretary WA4JQ comments, "ET3USA is the station of our small club, mostly military personnel, with a very limited treasury. At present we can barely afford the printing of QSLs, the mailing of logs to our QSL manager, and the other expenses of keeping the club going. We regret we must ask for self-addressed stamped envelopes or International Reply Coupons from all hams desiring our QSLs. Please do not QSL direct to ET3USA; VE3IG holds all logs and QSLs. Mailing to our address only delays cards and results in extra expense." FR7ZG promises 100-percent QSL in response to cards received direct or via REF (France), affirming that there is no recognized Reunion QSL bureau. By the way, W1OW of ARRL's DXCC Desk hears that Dr. J.H.L. Mulhen, 7 eme Km. St. Francois, St. Denis, Reunion, is keen to contact Yank philatelists "I have accepted duties as QSL manager for 9J2XZ-9I4XZ as of October 25, 1968," announces D. McCarthy, WA9PRE/2, 5 Pennypacker Dr., Willingboro, N.J., 08046. "All cards received without s.a.s.e., or s.a.e. with IRC, eventually will be answered via bureaus. Don sincerely desires that stations working him receive their QSLs as quickly as possible." Those 9I4 calls, incidentally, were 9J2s celebrating Zambia's fourth anniversary in October, suffixes unchanged "Stateside QSLs for me should go to W8WRP with s.a.s.e.," confirms EL9B. "EL9C can be reached via Box 8101, Spokane, Wash., s.a.s.e. a must." "CR6CA mails logs on the first of each month," says QSL aide VE3GNM, reminding us that Canadian QSL managers cannot use U.S. postage WA4-FJ still invites QSL requests for his 3V8FTJ action of October 7-9, 1968 EL2BE QSL tender WB8ABN remarks, "Already have 500 QSLs to deliver but only three claimants so far." Nobody needs Liberia anymore? 9Q5EB has decided to handle his own QSLs WA8PWZ, discontinuing as that station's QSL distributor as of November 1, 1968.

ASIA—"Peter needs the help and I'm glad to pitch in," writes WA4GM, taking up QSL chores for 4S7PE. "Cards and logs should be on hand by press time." By the way, 4S7s WA and YL are reported to hold a pair of new-style Maldives calls, 8QAWA and 8QAYL, with VU2OLK licensed as 8QALK. These first 8QA jobs are for Male isle, VS9MB remaining temporarily active on Gan K6UMV understands that VU2AJ confirms initial contacts 100 per cent "I prefer direct QSLs," states AP2EB, "and inclusion of International Reply Coupons is appreciated." Neighbor AP5HQ feels about the same: "I do my own QSLing and like them direct with IRCs. No need to send Pakistan postage." DX News-Sheet notes that G3-HSR, moving to Singapore soon, no longer can handle QSLs for MPs MBC and TCE.

OCEANIA—"No QSL replies till I get back to the mainland in March," says VK7KJ, due for a tour as VK7KJ/VK0 or VK0KJ on Macquarie isle. "A manager may be arranged but my time is very short before departure. QSLs to my VK7KJ address will be okay. Cards for VK0IA, due for QRT in December, also will have to wait until March for replies if they reached VK7KJ after November 26, 1968." West Coast DX Bulletin affirms that KE6GLU holds Kure logs for June 8-15, 1968, no others WB6KBK handles 5W1AS QSLs for QSOs dating from July 1, 1968 WA6-NFI withdraws as ZL1TU QSL rep WB6SJS replaces WB6TET as KX6DR's pasteboard pusher.

ZL2s ATK and ATL are better known around Parsippany, N. J., as WA2s NAY and NAZ. Encouraged by ZL2s CU JI and other Down Under friends, Letti and Craig endured a five-year wait before their New Zealand operating credentials finally came through. Now they enjoy working Stateside from Gisborne with their Galaxy and all-band doublet. "Quite a change from all the local Jersey QRM," declares Craig. "To hear the States rolling through down here is always a thrill."

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HEREABOUTS—Word is around that prefixes PJ2 PJ3 PJ4 PJ5 PJ6 and PJ7 will be reserved for residents of Curacao, Aruba, Bonaire, St. Eustatius, Saba and Sint Maarten isles respectively Your "QSL-ers of the Month" this month are AP5HQ, CE7DW, CR4AJ, CT0PF, CX5AF, D1UHF, EA5 6AR 6BJ 8FO, FB8WV, KX6GD, LA7KK, OY2EL, PJ2MI, TJ1QQ, TU2BB, UA9NW, UH8s AMJ FB, UL7GW, VS8RCS, XW8BP ZD7GO, ZELBP, 4A2EEL, 7Q7AM 9J2XZ, 9K2s OB CG and 9U5HT, plus QSL agents Ws 2CTN 2SNM 4DQ3 4MYE, K9s BNF CSM and VE3EUU, all applauded in dispatches from "How's" correspondents Ws ISWX 4UF 8YGR, K1HDO, Ws 2HIU and 9URY. Any quickies worth commendation over your way? *Help!* The following italicized brethren hunt hints on running down QSLs from holdouts listed: W4-GRG, KW6DS; W6YKS, BV2A '65, FP8AD '64, KH6-CMM/KB6 '65, VP6LN '64, 5W1AZ '65; WA2BHJ, YA1-CW; WA4SPC, IS1RUA, OX4AN '67, VP3JG '67, VRI4, ZB2F '67 6W8DQ '67; VA9M/QI, GD3FL, VP2RS, ZEL-AE/p, ZP5ML, 9Q5LJ, all '66 contacts. Any 'alp? Was THGD 8PWZ and 9MQJ volunteer to perform as QSL aides to DX ops in need of clerical services Time to restate that we normally have insufficient space available to duplicate data already available in the *Callbook*. Info may reappear here in six months or so if evidence to hand indicates it still valid.

EUROPE—"QSLs for 9H1AS operation on September 19-25, 1968, should go to me," advises WA4FJ who did the operating W5WVX indicates PL7FT is rapidly becoming the W2CTN of Europe with such QSL clients as EA6s AR BG BH, HB0LL, KL7EBK, TG9-EP, TU2s AY AZ CF, XE2YP, WAUAF/KH6, 3As 2CN 9CU and 3VBZ "I've been receiving QSLs for c.w. contacts from all over the world," acknowledges TF2WKL, a voice-only DX'er. Scratch one Ex-YO2BO, now living in New York City, is helping the *Callbook* update its VO listings. George says the next edition will show about 200.

SOUTH AMERICA—"Please delete my name and call S as QSL manager for Guyana," pens 8RIY/W4, now residing in Florida. "I suggest that cards be sent directly to 8R addresses listed in the *Callbook* or to their personal managers." Desmond, also formerly very active as VP3YG, invites QSL inquiries for all his past Guyana and British Guiana work. Include s.a.s.e., or s.a.e. plus IRCs, to the QTH in the listings to follow West Coast DX Bulletin quotes CE3ZN, CE9AT's QSL tender, as reporting late February logs "unavailable". If your unconfirmed CE9AT QSO is of this period, try for another contact. The same organ carries PY4BK's disclaimer of PY0BLR confirmational connections; try PY4BLR direct DX News-Sheet lists active VP8s HO on S. Georgia; JH, S. Orkney; FL HS JM JH KD KE KF KL, Port Stanley; HZ IA JB JC KI, Saunders; DJ JP JX, Antarctica proper; JN JS JT JU, Argentine island; JG JJ and JW, Stonington Let's see what the lads recommend specifically, keeping in mind that each suggestion is necessarily neither "official", complete nor accurate.

EP2BO, Dr. H. McQuillan, c/o Dept. of Geology, Pahlavi University, Shiraz, Iran
FG7I/FS (via VE3EUU)





FL8DG, G. Danancher, Hospital Peltier, Djibouti, T.F.A.L.
 HB9ET/EA0 (to HB9ET)
 HK9BRW, P.O. Box 86, Leticia, Amazonas, Colombia
 HK0BDG, Box 354, San Andres, Colombia
 HL9TS, Kumsan A.R.C., APO, San Francisco, Calif., 96264
 KR6US, 452nd Strategic Wing, SAC (FMS), APO, San Francisco, Calif., 96239
 KV4FT, E. Dearing, jr., Box 310, St. Croix, V.I.
 KW6GS, USCG Lorain Stn., Box 7, Wake Is.
 MIL, Ivo Grandoni, San Marino
 PZ1AV, Box 2250, Paramaribo, Surinam
 PZ1DD, Box 2205, Paramaribo, Surinam
 PZ1DE, Box 1810, Paramaribo, Surinam
 TA2EM, Box 699, Karakoy, Istanbul, Turkey
 TA3s AR X (via WA7GQA)
 TF2WLJ, FIBS, Box 115, APO, New York, N.Y., 09571
 TG5WF, Box 13, Huehuetenango, Guatemala
 TU2CC, Box 2604, Abidjan, I.C.
 VF3FUP/5H3, P.O. Box 717, Stn. Q, Toronto 7, Canada
 VE7AZT/KL7, R. Ferguson, 3026 W. 31st Av., Vancouver, B.C. Canada
 VP2GBR, D. G. Smith, Presentation College, St. Georges, Grenada, W.I. (or via WA5EIV)
 VP2VW, G.P.O., British V.I.; or L/Cpl. J. Irwin, Royal Signals, 53 FD Sqdn, RE, BFPO 14, England
 ex-VP3VG (to 8R1Y/W4)
 VP8s DJ JR (via CX2AA)
 VP9GG, P. Evans (G3DLE), Flatts P.O., Smiths Parish, Bermuda
 VQ8CI, J. Soobarah, 47 Labourdonnais Av., Quatre Bornes, Mauritius
 VR4EZ, Box A-176, Hõniara, Solomon Islands
 VU2AJ, B.S. Durt, Overseas Comm. Svc., Industrial Assurance Bldg., Churchgate, Bombay 1, India
 WB1LH/VE6, J. Cochrane, 1113 Laval Ave. SW, Calgary 6, Alta., Canada
 YB0AR, Gunung Sari 51, Diakarta, Indonesia
 ex-YO2BO, G. Pataki, 450 W. 58th St., Apt. 5F, New York, N.Y., 10019
 YU0M, V. Petrovic, Rendgenova 11, Nis, Yugoslavia
 5A3TI, M. Gamar, P.O. Box 2325, Tripoli, Libya
 7P8AB, Box 389, Maseru, Lesotho
 8R1S, P.O. Box 739, Georgetown, Guyana
 8R1Y/W4, D. Yong, 4509 Le Moyne Ln., Pensacola, Fla., 32505
 9K2BJ, Box 8419, Kuwait
 9Q5JR, Box 949, Likasa, R.C.
 9X5MF/EA0 (via HB9MQ)
 9V1PC, Box 37, Singapore

APs 2HB 5HQ (see text)
 CR6CA (via VE3GNM)
 EL2BE (via WB8ABN)
 EL9s B C (see text)
 ET3USA (see text)
 F3CC/FC (via DL9PPF)
 F9IE/6W8 (to F9IE)
 FG7TH (via F2VX)
 FP0DM (to VE3FEC)
 HL9WK (via K7CHT)
 KR6NK (via OARC)
 KX6DR (see text)
 LX9LS (via LX1DC)
 MP4TCF (via G3WLET)
 OA2BH (via WA5BNG)
 OE1ZQA (to KRCFU)
 OR4ES (via UBA)

PJ5MN (to W9ZRX)
 PJ9CO (to WB4EHX)
 PX1AK (to F3AK)
 VK0KJ (to VZ7KJ)
 VP7NA (via K9GZK)
 VR1A (via VE6AO)
 VS5IR (via MARTS)
 VU2GGB (via ARSI)
 WC4GSC (to W4DQD)
 WE1PJL/4A4 (to XE1J)
 ZD8AB (to W8BMS)
 ZF1EP (to W4PJG)
 ZL1TU (see text)
 ex-Z59L (to VE7BEM)
 3A2EM (via REF)
 3A0AV (to 11ZRS)
 3V8FJ (to WA4FLJ)

4S7DA (via W6FJ)
 4S7PE (via WA4GQM)
 4X4VL (via VE1ASJ)
 5N2NAS (via G3VIS)
 5W1AS (see text)
 ex-6W8AA (to FL8DG)

9H1AS (see text)
 9Js 2XZ 4XZ (see text)
 9M2BH (via MARTS)
 ex-9M2NF (to G3PNEF)
 9Q5EB (see text)
 9Y4TU (via 9Y4LT)

Donors of the preceding selection include Ws 1ARR 1CW 1SWX 1YYM 2DY 2SDW 4GRG 4UF 6YKS 8IBX/2 8YGR 9ZRX 0DAK, Ks 4TWJ 6UMV 9CSML, WAs 1FHU 4F1J 8M1CQ 9MQI 9UGF, WBs 6KBK 6THH, DJ8-QJ, VK7KJ, ex-YO2BO, Canadian DX Association Long Skip (VE3HJ), Columbus Amateur Radio Association CARAScope (W8ZCQ), DARC's DX-MB (DL3RK), DX News-Sheet (G. Watts, 62 Belmore Rd., Norwich, Nor. 72.T., England), Far East Auxiliary Radio League (M) News (KA2LL), Florida DX Club DX Report (W4BRB), International Short Wave League Monitor (A. Miller, 62 Warward Ln., Selly Oak, Birmingham 20, England), Japan DX Radio Club Bulletin (JA1DM), Long Island DX Association DX Bulletin (W2GKZ), Newark News Radio Club Bulletin (L. Waite, 39 Hannum St., Ballston Spa, N.Y., 12020), Northern California DX Club DXer (Box 698, Menlo Park, Calif., 94025), Southern California DX Club Bulletin (WA6GLD), Utah DX Association Bulletin (W7LEB), VERON's DXpress (PAOs FX LOU TO VDV WWP) and West Coast DX Bulletin (WA6AUD). Got a QTH or two for the stew?

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ASIA—Pakistan perspective, first from AP2HB: "I'm on 20 s.s.b. with an HW-32A and ground-plane. The transceiver is modified to operate 14.100-14.250 kHz, but I usually use 14.200." Hamid mentions the scarcity of amateur radio literature out his way, welcoming shipments of unneeded magazines, handbooks, etc. Neighbor AP5HQ writes, "I'm now operating 7 MHz. from 1100 to 1230 GMT, looking for the U.S.A. especially on Sundays." Africa will complete Fida's WAC-YL. . . . W3HMK hears that BP2KB is due to knock off for Uncle Sugar. . . . "I'm newly active from Korea as HL9WK," notifies W7YBX. "My assignment as chief, programs division, USAF communications/electronics, keeps me quite busy but I expect to pass out ILL QSOs till about June. Signing HL9WK brings back memories of being KA7FH and KA0IJ in the early '50s." HL9WK's QSL manager is listed in "Where" but he welcomes sked requests direct to Capt. Rod Linkous, CMR Box 3173, APO, San Francisco, Calif., 96370. Rod employs c.w., and s.s.b. on 10 through 80 meters. . . . "There are more than seventy HSS active at this time," estimates HS3AL (W8SZR, ex-H8XAL). "We are allowed phone on 7 through 144 MHz.—no c.w. and no 80 and 160 meters. I expect to be in HS3-land for two years, then possibly in Bangkok for two years with an HSI call." . . . Asian addenda courtesy the clubs press: G3EISR (ex-V81BQ) and XYL (ex-V81YL) return to old Singapore haunts and new 9V1 calls. . . . TA3AR-TA3X (K7-SAD) may terminate emissions on 10, 15 and 20 meters next month. . . . On the Hong Kong scene VS6s AL CO and DR like s.s.b. on 10, 15 and 20 meters, AA DL DO and FX enjoy multiband c.w. work, and AB is due for return to Europe. VS6s AB AL CO DL and DR are VS9AKC, G8ARZ, ZL8ACV, G3TRU and W5UHK respectively. . . . "After leaving Malaysia in December I'll be on leave in England as G3PNF through March," notifies 9M2NF. "Then I expect to be a DL5 for three years." Dennis previously signed DL2AB in those parts.

AFRICA—"9J2XZ is active on 10 meters at present with a KW-2000 and quad," reports WA9PRE/2. "Don anticipates adding a quad for 15 and 20 in the near future, as well as skywires for 40, 80 and 160 meters. He



These fellows want to work you as much as you'd like to work them, but the International Telecommunications Union has contrary wishes on file from the Thai government. Kneeling, l. to r., are HS3s HM (W0FLB) and WC (WA4-EPB); standing, HS3s BA (W4SQO), MJ (WB4HIJ), WT (W1UUQ), RF (WA5NQA), and DR (K7CBZ). The occasion was a summer hamfest at Udorn, northeast Thailand.

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operates code and phone, and often can be found around 28,200 kHz. after schedules with England. 9J2NZ expects to be workable from Chingola for the next three years or more. I'll be glad to help arrange skeds." FR7-ZG keeps Reunion hunters happy with a homespun 6146s eighty-watt, ground-plane radiator and Hallcrafters interceptor "We are trying to keep ET3USA on the air as much as possible despite difficulties," assures Kagnev Station A.R.C. secretary YL W4EJQ. "All equipment is privately owned, so we'll probably lose the beam we're using when its owner returns to the States in '69." "EL9A left Liberia for good," says EL9B, still stationed at Mano River Mine. Wim also notes that near-by 9G1GJ closed down for return to ZS-land Africa tidbits via club newshawks: OR4ES, 21,150-kHz. s.s.b., is said to be on a four-month DXcursion in the Libyan desert with an NCX-200 and minibeam. Check with VE2DCY concerning a 7Q7 certification based on three Malawi QSOs during 1967-68. SUIIM breaks Egyptian silence on 15 and 20 c.w. at 2100-2200 GMT. 5U7AN is said to be leaving Niger this month. Ex-6W3AA tries his luck as FL8DG on 14,260 kHz. around 0400 and 1800 GMT. 9X5MF/EAØ hopes to keep his quad spinning in Fernando Poo for a couple of months.

OCEANIA—"For the first time ever there will be two stations active on Macquarie during December-March," comments VK7KJ, due to operate one of them. "I will use a Galaxy V. The other station, call unknown at present, will use a.m. and c.w. My program as a biologist will be quite heavy but I'll be active as much as my spare time allows." W1BPY added confirming notes to Greg's data Among the many VKs WA1FHU worked lately is VK4ZB on 15 c.w. Les reminisces, "As Hungarian HAT3RL I QSO'd him on 40 meters with two waits in the winter of '32. He was VK3ZB then, my first real DX." "Our QTH, Gisborne, is a beautiful city of some 25,000 on the east coast of North Island," write ZL2s ATK and ATL (WA2s NAY and NAZ). "There are about 35 hams in the area." Pacific patter via aforementioned periodicals of clubs and groups: W6BPO may join VK9RH's Norfolk isle campaign this month or next. VS51R is roving VE7IR. VK3CH formerly signed VK9AG. W7ZFY may call at Heard island aboard USCG's *South Wind* in March, land-based operation possible. Roaming VE6s AJT and APV cleaned up on 10 through 20 meters in October as FR1P, other rare stops imminent. "Twas the first British Phoenix radiation in a decade.

EUROPE—From rarer British Isles: "GC2LU wants W/K/VES to know he's on 10, 15 and 20 regularly around 1500 GMT," relays WA9URY. "GC5AET (DJ1QP) made about 3700 QSOs from Jersey in August and September," reports DJ6QT. Les Bard of Forest Hotel, Guernsey, invites amateurs passing through to vacation at his home "gratis, providing it is for operating purposes. My antenna system is complete with a 160-meter long-wire, a 40/80-meter doublet, TA-33 jr. rotary on a 50-ft. tower, with a three-element Telrex beam a-building." G3s SVK TTN, GW3s KNZ and LDH pooled resources and vacation time to hit Alderney, Guernsey, Jersey and Sark isles last fall. "Most operation was on 160 meters and we enjoyed many QSOs with W/K stations." W4UF encountered Boy Scout Jamboree station LX9LS on 15 sideband in October "Most interesting to hear the boys back home rolling through," says W2QM, recounting his summer visit at SVs 1BV and ØWAA W2SDW records, "IZBS sometimes operates as 3AØAV with an 8B-34, kilowatt linear and cube quad on 10 through 80 meters." Ex-YO2BO, living in New York the past three years, has two more long years to wait before he returns to the air as a U.S. citizen. "I was chief operator of YO2KAC in '57." WA4FIJ suggests, "The man to contact in Malta for permission to operate there is Mr. Joseph V. Galea, 9H1AG, Office of the Prime Minister, Wireless Telegraphy Branch, St. Andrews Bastion, Valletta." W4GRG reminds us that those 28-MHz. HGs are Hungarian equivalents to our Technician licensees. Ten is the lowest band they work. JXs 1CM 3XK on 14-MHz. sideband, 4EJ on 21- and 28-MHz. s.s.b., and 5CI on 14-MHz. c.w. keep sprayin' from Jan. Mayen.

SOUTH AMERICA—"In six September days we made 3700 QSOs from Fernando de Noronha island," tallies PY7APS, "2200 as PYØAPS, 1500 as PYØARM." LU4ECO, a 21-MHz. c.w. fan, is former HA2G of the '30s, according to fellow ex-Hungarian WA1FHU Certification hounds can check with LUIDNQ for scoop on *Semana de Pergamino* sheepskins available for sufficient October '68 contacts with hams in Argentina's Pergamino province. Abrolhos isle is a freshly publicized target for PYICK and DXpeditionary colleagues.

HEREABOUTS—All dials and beams point toward the Hacienda Motel, Fresno, for the annual joint meeting of Northern and Southern California DX Clubs on the 25th-26th of this month. Chairman K6SSJ of NCDXC describes preparation of a potent program for the rumpus, including the planned appearance of the Boondocks Marauder, W4BPD, who may use the forum to announce his forthcoming DXpeditionary itinerary Guest VØ5AA was presented with an honorary membership plaque at an Arkansas DX Association dinner in September, according to president WA5EFL. K5-QHS ran off with first prize for the meeting's DX quiz VE3ABG writes, "My change in jobs means extensive traveling throughout Canada now, so I hope to provide 160-meter activity from VE1 through VE8, and possibly VO." Ws ISWX and 9NN should be well warmed up for 5B-DXC pursuit. The former has 150 countries confirmed on 3.5 MHz., the latter 239 verified on 7 MHz. WB4EHX, visiting PJ2CQ, signed PJ9CQ in late October "Back to my old pet, 160-meter DX," declares K1KSI, now a landlubber after sea voyages far and wide. "My dipole hangs 175 feet high between two broadcast towers, WØVXO/KV4 and DL9KRA are among best 1.8-MHz. DX worked so far." W2HCW, inactive for 14 years, returns from work in Japan with serious DX intentions and an elaborate New York multiband antenna farm in the works "Recently got on RTTY with a Model 15 and W2PAT demodulator," says WA9MQL. "Great fun working DX in this different way. Not much competition and consequently the DX will more readily rag-chew. Hadn't realized there were so many stations on radioteletype until I tried it myself." Dave lists QSOs with G8LT, HC1MF and LU7EBB on 20 meters, DJ8GJ, DL4RY and ON4CK on 15 Long-time "How's" helper W8YGR holds his breath at 299 confirmed WC4GSC displayed a new prefix at the Ogeechee (Ga.) Fair XE1PJJ/4A4 managed brief Revillagigedo output on 15 and 20 in October. XE2YP's XE4 effort still pends VP2GBR offers Grenada with 50 watts on 1822.5 and 1981 kHz. W4s KET PJG WYJ, K4CAH and WA4WIP got together for ZF1K sport in October, while K4s HSB and IIF teamed up for a vigorous VPTNA disturbance Here's to a swift and solid recovery for W1DQF, NYL of Mr. 160. W1BR, recuperating from heart troubles. The top-band gang's 88s, Alice!

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HA8UU has a host of world-wide c.w. friends. Imre runs a homespun 100-watt and 12-tube receiver at Kecskemet in Hungary's wine country. (Photo via ex-YO2BO)

YL news and Views

CONDUCTED BY LOUISE RAMSEY MOREAU,* WB6BBO

Seventeen

IN 1910, there were two YL operators. Their calls were recorded in the Gernsbach *Blue Book*. By 1916, the U.S. Government *Call Book*, listed six YL operators, and there was at least one YL in England. That was before the feminine membership of ARRL got their own column in *QST*. Forty-two years after those first two gals watched the blue spark jump across the electrodes as they made their contacts the Board of Directors of the ARRL approved the addition of a column for YLs in *QST*, and "YL News and Views" made its debut in January 1952. To paraphrase an advertising slogan: "We'd come a long way, baby," before this column appeared.

"When I was one, I had just begun," says the nursery rhyme, and Eleanor Wilson, W1QON, was the YL selected to handle the work of beginning this department. For eleven years she did just that. Remember her first column?

"The introduction of a new department in *QST* cannot fail to arouse interest and comment. And when the new department involves YL amateurs it's virtually assured that a wide reading audience will be on hand — YLs, XYLs, OMs, just about everybody. With this assumption in mind a new department is launched."

Under Eleanor we had news of YLRL, the announcement of newly introduced YL club certificates, remember "Keeping Up With The Girls," ATAWAR, "YLs You May Have Worked?" It was Eleanor who first faced the continuing complaint from wives of amateurs who considered "XYL" an insult and submitted just about everything in the language to replace it. She appealed for "suggestions, pet themes, complaints, and news," and the women operators cooperated so that from just beginning, it became a thriving department.

Because of increasing demands of her family, and civic duties, W1QON retired from her editorial duties in 1963, and Jean Peacor, K1IJV, assumed the challenging job of maintaining the devotion and enthusiasm to the activities of women in amateur radio. Jean kept the same high standards with particular focus on the many different facets of amateur radio in which YLs were participating. She covered the field from plain rag chewing, through the difficulties of chasing those elusive DX stations, and contest

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Eleanor Wilson, W1QON. First editor of "YL News and Views."

operation. Field Day-YL style, high level operating procedures, club activities, reviews of conventions. Remember her c.w., traffic, and her helping hand to the novice, YL columns? All of this was a part of the K1IJV "touch" with emphasis on personalities as she reported the increasing numbers of what has been called "the distaff side" of the amateur fraternity.

Now we are beginning our seventeenth year. The term might well connote "teenager," and we literally are in comparison with *QST* itself, and the many other departments. But we, as amateur radio operators have been around a long time for some of us remember the brute force spark days, so it is only the column that is young.

Eleanor wrote in her first column:

"Numerically YLs constitute but a small portion of the whole amateur body. We then accept a challenge and a responsibility with the inauguration of our department; it's up to us to continue exemplifying the old adage that 'it's the quality not the quantity that counts.'

"YL amateurs have proved, and are constantly proving their worth. Their accomplishments are notable. Their numerous and outstanding contributions to the hobby speak for themselves."

We have indeed come a long way, gals, but whether we are full members of QCWA, OOTC, or eager novices just beginning this exciting adventure in the Amateur Service, we are all just seventeen in YL News and Views. Happy Birthday to you all who have made it successful.

1968 Howdy Days Results

Howdy Days is as informal as they come. Even the submission of logs is an informal affair. From the number of contacts made at least 71 participated, but only 8 gals bothered to submit a log to W4TVT. Possibly in 1969 more of the contestants who entered this friendliest of contests will submit their logs. Claire Bardot, W4TVT reminds everyone that it is one place that could be a great factor on getting new members for YLRL.

Following were the scores:

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|-------------------------------------|----|
| Verda Siebenthaler, K7UBC..... | 71 |
| Marte Wessel, KØEPE..... | 70 |
| Ruth Garrison WA8FSX/ WA8FSX/8..... | 39 |
| Rose Angel, WAØKER..... | 35 |
| Ruth Siegelman, W2OWL..... | 31 |
| Cretna Longware, WA2WIII..... | 23 |
| Maxine Hanberry, WA6AOE..... | 14 |
| Irene Akers, W3RXJ..... | 10 |

Plan Ahead

"Across the Line in '69" is the slogan for the 1969 Midwest YL Convention. For the first time this affair will be held outside the United States, and Doris, VE3BB0, has promised that it will be one that we will not forget. It isn't too early to start planning because there are several things that must be attended to ahead of time. We are advised that while U.S. currency can be exchanged almost anywhere, personal checks will not be accepted the way they are here. So, it is advisable to make sure that you have either travelers checks, or recognized credit cards. As the Boy Scouts say "Be Prepared."

Another vital item of preparation will be for the gals who plan to operate radio in Canada. If this is your plan don't delay sending a request to the Department of Transport, Radio Regulations, 55 Clair Avenue East, Toronto 7, Ontario, Canada. Don't put it off gals, it does take time to process you know.

The Convention will be May 16, 17, 18, 1969 and don't forget to start planning those "Swaps."

Meet the Club—Portland Roses

The Portland Roses held their first meeting in July 1955, chose their name in September, and in November the constitution was approved. The first officers were Helen Wise, W7RVM, President, Donna Gettman, W7QKU, Vice president and Treasurer, and Phyllis Bowers, W7ZMN was the



Beverly Wilcox, WB2UHZ, named "Miss Amateur Radio" for the Hudson Division, ARRL, Convention, October 1968. With Beverly, and making the presentation, are Harry Dannals, W2TUK, Director, Hudson Division, ARRL (left) and Stan Zak, K2SJO, Vice-Director (right).

first Secretary. All three gals are still active members.

Membership is open to any woman who is a licensed operator, and is 18 years of age, or over. There are two classes of membership: Full Members, are those who live in the vicinity and can get to club meetings, and Associate Members are those who live elsewhere, and do not attend the meetings. Associate members do not hold office, nor voting privileges.

Meetings are held on the first Monday of the month at the homes of the members at 8 P.M. Any visiting YL is cordially invited to attend, and can find the location of the meeting by calling any of the members. An annual picnic is held in August at which members, OMs, and families get together. Another event is the annual YL-OM dinner, in March.

The Portland Roses have worked in at least three Field Day events using the club call K7UER. They have sponsored DX YLs under the YLRL adoptee plan for a number of years. The current one is Josephine de Rusea, OA4GR, of Lima, Peru. Also these YLs have been hostesses at numerous state amateur radio conventions, and the national ARRL convention in 1962.

The Club Certificate has been issued since November 1958. Original requirements were that eight members had to be contacted to earn it, but, in February 1968 the rules were relaxed to six member contacts. Contacts with any member of the Portland Roses since September 1955 count as one full contact. Contact with the club call K7UER counts as two contacts. Helen Wise, W7RVM is certificate custodian.

Present officers are President, Helen Wise, W7RVM, Vice president, Bettie Mayer K7BED, Secretary, Beverly Walker, W7HPT and Pat Ziegler, W7NOK, Treasurer. QST



Portland Roses Certificate.

Silent Keys

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

K1DQE, Philius Boudreau, Woonsocket, R. I.
 W1HW, Henry Munroe, Suncook, New Hampshire
 W1JGA, Joseph Cordingley Jr., East Sullivan, New Hampshire
 K100K, Alden Finley, Kittery Point, Maine
 K1RSM, Lawrence Banek, Cumberland, Rhode Island
 W1PZA, Gordon Huggard, Danbury, N.H.
 W18YL, Mary Hanscom, Melrose, Massachusetts
 WA2GVA, John Knox, Bellville, New Jersey
 WA2JIV, Fred Engel, Flushing, New York, N.Y.
 WB2VPS, ex-9BM4, Philip Zuriau, Roslyn Heights, New York
 W3KUI, Dent Shields, New Castle, Pennsylvania
 W3RIS, Walter Wendelken, Export, Pennsylvania
 W3VTT, Samuel Hunter, Glen Mills, Pennsylvania
 W4AAU, Henry Spong, Concord, North Carolina
 W4AUS, Charles Moore, Phenix City, Alabama
 WB4BK6, Richard Griffiths, Louisville, Kentucky
 W4BOC, Richard Alford, Atlanta, Georgia
 WB4BZU, Cloyd Derey, Fairfax, Virginia
 K4DNX, Sidney Usdan, Memphis, Tenn.
 W4DUE, Vernon Cox, Tampa, Florida
 K4IYX, James Payne, Kannapolis, No. Carolina
 K4NQL, Richard Thompson, Tampa, Florida
 W4PFM, Bernard Craun, Arlington, Virginia
 W4ZJ, James Kellow, Jacksonville, Florida
 W5ARQ, Charles Besancon, No. Little Rock, Ark.
 WA5DFO, Tito Fernandez, San Antonio, Texas
 WA5JEH, Robert Morse, Arlington, Texas
 W5LA, Edmund Christy, New Orleans, Louisiana
 W5QDG, Roy Mock, Tularosa, New Mexico
 W6AHP, William Williams, Los Angeles, Calif.
 W6DOC/HK3, Thomas Green, Coronado, Calif.
 W6GNR, Charles Jones, Delano, California
 W6NVF, Robert Farrell, Los Angeles, Calif.
 W6SSL, Clarence Heine, Atascadero, Calif.
 WN7ITW, Emmett Blackmun, Grants Pass, Oregon.
 K7KRY, Forrest Stubblefield, Mesa, Arizona
 W8DTW, Edward Smith, Fostoria, Ohio
 W8EYJ, Joseph Simonic, Detroit, Michigan
 W8HFU, Bert Mackelburg, St. Clair Shores, Michigan
 W8YFL, Angelo Formenti, Iron Mountain, Mich.
 WA9AJF, Clyde Bidgood, Elmhurst, Illinois
 W9DMU, Henry Holland, Indianapolis, Ind.
 W9PJX, Robert Shoemaker, Anderson, Indiana
 W0BIII, Henry Heraldson, Aneta, North Dakota
 K0GZN, Kirkland Bush, Harper, Kansas
 WA0HXR, John Fisher, Orchard, Nebraska
 VE3BQI, Clifford Marsh, Queenston, Ontario, Canada
 VE7ATJ, Donald Dell, Dawson Creek, British Columbia, Canada

"It Seems To Us . . ."

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the formation of a Region III (Asia and Oceania) organization. President Denniston traveled to Australia to attend the inaugural Region III congress. IARU membership now stands at 80. During the year, the International Telecommunications Union announced plans to hold a world administrative conference in the latter part of 1970 to deal specifically with space radio communications problems and allocations.

So 1968 has presented us with the goals of 1969. Can we meet the challenge?

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



Strays

Worked WC4GSC October 12-20? That was the Ogeechee Fair station, manned by Georgia Southern College. QSL via W4DQD.

Stolen Equipment

Between Tuesday, November 12 and Tuesday, November 19, 1968, the club headquarters and station of the Providence Radio Association, Inc., W1OP, was burglarized. The following equipment was stolen: Transmitter, Hallicrafters HT-32, Serial No. 185981; receiver, National NC-303, Serial No. 524-1673; D-104 microphone; various station accessories such as hand key, wall clock, cables, etc.; and 6- and 2-meter converters (matching the NC-303 receiver). Write or call the station trustee, Robert C. Bellise, W1KKE, 77 Howland Rd., Cranton, R. I., (401)-467-7248

On June 12, 1968, my home was broken into and a Hallicrafters SR-2000 and PS-2000 power supply was stolen. I would appreciate it if anyone who has information on this matter contact me immediately. Al Snyder, WA8VOD, 20810 Mastick Rd., Fairview Park, Ohio 44126.

Feedback

In the writeup of the Sept. V.I.L.F. QSO Party in QST for December 1968, W5XNR/5 (New Mexico) was a multioperator station (5 operators), and the call used by WA1s HOL and JCX (Conn.) was WA1JCX.

The Post Office Department promises faster mail service with the new Zip codes. Use yours when you write League Headquarters. Use ours, too. It's 06111.



Amateur radio was well represented at the Daytona Beach Home Show, October 23-27, 1968. K4BV, club station of the Daytona Beach Amateur Radio Association, handled 375 pieces of traffic to 43 different states and Canada. From left to right are WB4GUH, W4WAF, WB4HQX, and WA4JCP's mother.



Operating News



GEORGE HART, WINJM, Communications Manager
ELLEN WHITE, W1YYM, Deputy Comms. Mgr.

Administration: LILLIAN M. SALTER, W1ZJE
Contests: ROBERT HILL, WIARR

DXCC: ROBERT L. WHITE, W1CWB
Training Aids: GERALD PINARD

W6ZRJ Backup for W6OWP. It is more years back than a lot of us can remember that Forrest Bartlett, W6OWP, took it upon himself to provide West Coast coverage for W1AW's code proficiency qualifying runs. Bart has been as steady as a clock, ever since, once each month transmitting a qualifying run so that the west coast amateurs and other code proficiency aspirants will have a strong signal to copy. Many have suspected, we feel sure, that Bart has been paid by the League to perform this service.

Not so. It's 100% volunteer and always has been. But now change of employment schedule puts the West Coast qualifying run transmission from W6OWP in a precarious position. Yes, Bart, like all of us, has to make a living. The new situation isn't yet definite enough to make necessary any change in published plans, but W6ZRJ has offered to be Bart's backup man for the qualifying runs. Whenever, or if ever, W6OWP cannot be on, W6ZRJ will take his place, same frequency, same procedure. So if you should hear W6ZRJ identifying in an ARRL code proficiency qualifying run, instead of W6OWP, don't tune away. It's official.

FMT Results on W1AW. Beginning with the FMT of last September, the official measurements were transmitted over W1AW on Sept. 26, so those who measured just for the fun of it didn't

have to send in a report. This will be standard procedure henceforward—that is, the official measurements of W1AW's frequencies during the FMT will be transmitted over W1AW about two weeks after the transmissions.

This means that those who wish to qualify for a written report (with copy to SCM for possible qualification as Class I or II Official Observer) will have a deadline, because once the readings are given over W1AW, "the cat is out of the bag." Reports received after that time will be filed without action. You will have approximately twelve days to get your report to headquarters before the W1AW transmission will nullify any received thereafter. So don't delay if you are trying for OO.

New RCC Policy in Effect. Not so long ago we were notified by one of our windier amateurs that he had received *four* RCC certificates, and would we please stop sending them. Please see Oct. *QST*, p. 108, announcing the new policy.

Effective at once, RCC nominations will be acted upon only if they are received from the *nominee*, who is the only one who knows for sure if he has already received this honor. Therefore, if you want to nominate someone send the nomination *to him* for forwarding to headquarters. If you send it direct to headquarters, it will not be honored.

OPERATING EVENTS (Dates in GMT)

ARRL-IARU-SCM-Affiliated Club-Operating Events

| January | February | March |
|--|--|--|
| 2 Qualifying Run, W6OWP 4-5 VHF SS (p. 63, last issue). | 1-2 DX Competition, phone (p. 64, last issue). | 1-2 DX Competition, phone (p. 64, last issue). |
| 11 Qualifying Run, W1AW | 1-16 Novice Roundup (p. 67, this issue). | 6 Qualifying Run, W6OWP |
| 11-13 CD Party (c.w.)* | 5 Qualifying Run, W6OWP | 8-9 YL/OM Contest, c.w. (p. 97, last issue). |
| 10-12 Arkansas QSO Party (p. 114, last issue). | 7-9 QCWA QSO Party (p. 83, last issue). | 12 Qualifying Run, W1AW |
| 18-20 CD Party (phone)* | 8 Frequency Measuring Test (p. 95, this issue). | 15-16 DX Competition, c.w. (p. 64, last issue). |
| 18-19 Connecticut QSO Party (p. 122, last issue). | 8-9 Arizona QSO Party (p. 112, this issue). | 29-30 West Virginia QSO Party |
| Louisiana QSO Party (p. 114, last issue). | Vermont QSO Party (p. 103, this issue). | |
| 19,26 VE1 Contest (p. 118, this issue) | 11 Qualifying Run, W1AW | June |
| 25-26 Simulated Emergency Test (p. 62, this issue). | 15-16 DX Competition, c.w. (p. 64, last issue). | 14-15 VHF QSO Party |
| Jan. 26-Feb. 2 Kansas Week Award (p. 101, this issue). | 22-23 YL/OM Contest, phone (p. 97, last issue). | 28-29 Field Day |
| * League Officials and Communica- tions Dept. appointees, only. | | |

Of course you can nominate yourself, too. That is, if you have just completed a conversational QSO lasting a half hour or more, drop us a line giving the call of the station contacted, the date, times and frequency band and in due time, if your info checks out, you'll get your certificate.

SCM Election Procedures. There seems to be some confusion and misunderstanding regarding the democratic processes in our operating organization. As you know, it is headed up by the Section Communications Managers, the only elected officials in the Field Organization. (Directors and vice directors are also elected, but they deal with over-all policy, not just operating.) There are 74 sections (see p. 6), and each elects its SCM for a two-year term. Nomination is by petition of five or more full members of the section, and ballots, if more than one candidate is nominated (quite often there is only one) are mailed to each full member of the section.

Unlike most such offices, if an SCM resigns or dies in office there is no "term" to be finished. An "acting SCM" is immediately appointed by the Communications Manager (who usually gets recommendations from the outgoing SCM or some other section official) to serve as SCM until an election procedure can be completed. The first available issue of *QST* solicits nominating petitions for that section, giving a deadline date some time not sooner than the month following the date of issue. If more than one valid nomination is received, an election must be held, which involves corresponding with the candidates regarding their eligibility and biographical data, composing the latter, ordering ballots, having them printed and mailing them out. If an SCM suddenly resigns or dies, it is usually four or five months before the necessary steps can be completed to replace him with another elected official.

In the normal course, an expiring SCM term is announced in *QST* at least five months prior to its expiration date. For example, December *QST* (p. 103) announced upcoming elections in six sections, one by resignation, two expiring in

BRASS POUNDERS LEAGUE

Winners of BPL Certificate for October Traffic:

| Call | Orig. | Recd. | Rel. | Del. | Total |
|----------------|-------|-------|------|------|-------|
| W3CUL | 497 | 2539 | 2316 | 127 | 5479 |
| K5TBY | 7 | 2296 | 2179 | 2 | 4484 |
| K9NFK | 183 | 1277 | 1362 | 22 | 4344 |
| W7BA | 10 | 1149 | 1017 | 125 | 2301 |
| K5BNH | 6 | 1106 | 1024 | 32 | 2168 |
| W3VR | 329 | 916 | 833 | 39 | 2117 |
| W8UPH | 6 | 843 | 790 | 49 | 1688 |
| W44DX | 7 | 828 | 748 | 5 | 1588 |
| W9CNU | 4 | 718 | 642 | 1 | 1415 |
| W9JYO | 593 | 319 | 306 | 13 | 1231 |
| W6RSY | 21 | 604 | 440 | 137 | 1202 |
| K9PZX | 2 | 515 | 503 | 9 | 1029 |
| VE2ADF | 74 | 424 | 14 | 391 | 903 |
| W9AITHU | 21 | 443 | 310 | 99 | 873 |
| W0LCK | 36 | 452 | 360 | 25 | 873 |
| K9IVG | 6 | 419 | 357 | 9 | 791 |
| W40PNB | 15 | 376 | 368 | 3 | 762 |
| W50BD | 28 | 365 | 361 | 2 | 756 |
| W10JM | 6 | 356 | 356 | 0 | 718 |
| W4NLO | 4 | 355 | 344 | 15 | 718 |
| W3BML | 19 | 341 | 287 | 1 | 688 |
| W45PYH | 6 | 336 | 285 | 31 | 658 |
| K7RQZ | 26 | 313 | 269 | 46 | 654 |
| W81XJ | 47 | 309 | 156 | 115 | 627 |
| W1PFX | 41 | 297 | 237 | 23 | 598 |
| W47IKR | 10 | 287 | 267 | 8 | 572 |
| W7ZIW | 21 | 263 | 255 | 6 | 554 |
| W8AAUZ | 201 | 226 | 124 | 0 | 551 |
| W3MPX | 157 | 232 | 121 | 26 | 536 |
| K3NSN | 100 | 255 | 130 | 50 | 535 |
| W49QKP | 15 | 260 | 255 | 0 | 530 |
| K9KZB | 18 | 251 | 152 | 119 | 520 |
| W47DZL | 9 | 255 | 238 | 17 | 510 |
| W9EQO | 154 | 178 | 177 | 1 | 510 |
| Late Reports: | | | | | |
| K9ONK (Sept.) | 287 | 1049 | 998 | 52 | 2386 |
| W6GYH (Sept.) | 82 | 111 | 408 | 0 | 901 |
| WB6BBO (Sept.) | 33 | 238 | 239 | 1 | 531 |

More-Than-One-Operator-Stations

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|---------------|------|----|----|----|------|
| W6YDK | 4284 | 37 | 12 | 25 | 4358 |
| Late Reports: | | | | | |
| K0WBD (Sept.) | 1356 | 28 | 18 | 10 | 1412 |
| K0WBD (Aug.) | 1132 | 42 | 30 | 12 | 1216 |

BPL for 100 or more originations-plus deliveries

| | | | |
|------------|------------|----------------|-----|
| K4BV4 423 | W4RHA 125 | W49TUM 110 | |
| W44FYH 222 | W9KII 122 | W43AOJ 107 | |
| W49QOQ 183 | W4IGGN 121 | W3TN 106 | |
| W5JBM 182 | W42CAL 119 | W4IGU 104 | |
| W4IHOL 168 | W43NO 118 | W4BITN 103 | |
| W43YLS 157 | W8NOH 118 | W46BYZ 102 | |
| W42UVB 145 | W40LBB 117 | WB2NSV 101 | |
| W9EJS 140 | W49QNI 114 | Late Reports: | |
| W40LLC 130 | W2OE 112 | WN4RHA (Sept.) | 122 |
| | | W46KZI (Sept.) | 119 |

More-Than-One-Operator-Stations

W8LT 161 WIAW 104

BPL Medallions (see July, 1968 *QST*, p. 99) have been awarded to the following since last month's listings: W2FR, W42UFT, W43AOJ, W41YT, K4YZU, W45YTH, K7RQZ, W9EST.

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 48 hours of receipt in standard ARRL form.

VIPs galore at the Roanoke Division Convention last September 28-29. Front row, L-R, **W4LWE** Asst. Dir., **W4BNU** SCM N.C., **K4LMB** Asst. Dir. and Founder of the YLRL, **W44EFP** Asst. Dir., **W8DUV** Asst. Dir. and Past Pres. YLRL, **W4SHJ** SCM Va., **W8BT** Asst. Dir. and **W4PED** SCM S.C. Rear row, L-R, **W4ACY** Vice Dir., **K4TTN** Asst. Dir., **W4QDY** Asst. Dir., **W4KFC** Dir., **W8JM** SCM W. Va., **W4CE** Asst. Dir., **W4AJT** Asst. Dir. and **W44FJM** Asst. Dir.



April, three expiring in May. All the rest of the announcements are repeats of previous announcements (Oct. *QST*), as these six will be repeated in the February issue — except Alberta, which will be repeated only if no petitions are received by the deadline. If, by deadline, only one valid petition is received, the candidate is declared elected and that's that. If no valid petitions are received by deadline, the *QST*

solicitation is repeated and the deadline set ahead until a petition is received. Meanwhile, the incumbent SCM continues to function, unless he specifically wants out, in which case an Acting SCM is appointed.

It all sounds more complicated than it is, but it's quite orderly and according to a set procedure. The most significant point to be made is this: watch the Election Notices in



DX CENTURY CLUB AWARDS



From October 1, through October 31, 1968, DXCC certificates based on contacts with 100-or-more countries have been issued by the ARRL Communications Department to the Amateurs listed below.

New Members

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| K6GH.....321 | DL5MT.....125 | VE7BQF.....109 | WA9UVP.....104 | DJ7UO.....102 | W9LHL.....101 |
| CX1RY.....237 | D8SDV.....124 | W8CJW.....109 | CT3AU.....103 | DL7NS.....102 | K2MFY.....100 |
| SM6CKU...231 | SM5ZZ.....124 | WA1ED.....108 | F8IV.....103 | K6MQU.....102 | W1ABR.....100 |
| W5LOU.....226 | WA4GQM...121 | W7MKW.....108 | K5JBC.....103 | WB2EJZ.....102 | W2HLI.....100 |
| OH5VD.....206 | HL9KA.....118 | DL9AA.....107 | K9UKM.....103 | WB2ZUB.....102 | WB2RXS.....100 |
| WA1HN.....202 | DJ9QT.....113 | W4IN.....107 | V7NFF.....103 | WA4THL.....102 | WA3EPB.....100 |
| VE3CDP/ | EA4JG.....113 | DK1IZ.....106 | W6RYT.....103 | WB6RTJ.....102 | W6OUT.....100 |
| W9.....159 | F08BJ.....111 | G2AYG.....106 | WA6JDT.....103 | PY7VY.....101 | W5ULN.....100 |
| DL9LX.....141 | VE1ATP.....111 | KR6BY.....106 | W8FE.....103 | W3BYV.....101 | K5WUF.....100 |
| JA2JAA.....131 | DJ4LC.....110 | W6CLM.....105 | W9YGN.....103 | W4JVN.....101 | W8JEX.....100 |
| SM6TG.....127 | DL7JY/W6.110 | JA2CZS.....104 | W0GBD.....103 | W9HZM.....101 | WA9EQG.....100 |
| | | W2ECO.....104 | YV4MC.....103 | | |

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| YV5AHR...306 | WA1HEN...146 | VE3CDP/ | VE1ATP...109 | WA6JBX...104 | G5AFA...101 |
| W3PHR...290 | W6HPS...130 | W9.....120 | W5HAK...109 | WA4DWR...103 | GM5AHS...101 |
| W4PRK...240 | DL6KY...139 | K3BYV...118 | K7AXF...108 | SM5ZZ...103 | W6PKD...101 |
| SM6CKU...207 | TLAPC...128 | K7UXN...113 | Y7IWX...108 | W2SHE...102 | G3IRQ...100 |
| W5LOU...182 | SM6TG...125 | DL6KG...110 | OA4YM...107 | W3AWV...102 | HP3MG...100 |
| SP9ANH...180 | 3V8BZ...125 | LICAT...110 | DJ3EJ...105 | ZL1UH...102 | W2GA...100 |
| K1UHY...158 | WA4GQM...121 | W6OJO...110 | W4EAL...105 | 5Z4KO...102 | W4ORT...100 |
| | | EA4JG...109 | WA9RQY...104 | | |

Endorsements

Endorsements issued for confirmations credited from October 1, 1968 through October 31, 1968 are listed below. Endorsement listings through the 300 level are given in increments of 20, above the 300 level they are given in increments of 5. The totals shown do not necessarily represent the exact credits given but only that the participant has reached the endorsement group indicated.

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| 340 | W6OME | I1XK | SP6AAT | K7PJF | OH3XZ | WB6LR | WA2VSO |
| W6KUT | | J7AD | VK5KO | PY2BJH | VO1AW | W9DE | W3STA |
| 335 | 315 | K6EIV | W1DEP | SM5BFJ | W7NPU | W9HDR | W9CBD |
| DL7AA | K7ADL | OH2BC | W8DCH | SM6CAW | W8PYL | | |
| G5VT | W4BQY | SM7ANB | W9UX | WB2AMO | WA9LMY | 140 | 120 |
| W5U | | VK3YL | | WB2CDZ | WA9TFM | DL9EM | DK1HP |
| W6PGI | W6DQ | W7WLL | 220 | WA4DCP | W8SUU | JA1AAT | K8NQP |
| | W6ISQ | | K6CWS | W5EGS | 9J2IE | JH1ANB | K8QYG |
| 330 | W6KG | 260 | K9GSV | W7CRT | | K2EUR | K8DEQ |
| W9GFF | | DL8CH | WA2MNX | WA8RWU | 160 | K4OCE | W1YU |
| | 305 | VE3TB | W4HSJ | | DJ6EO | K6DR | W2AQT |
| 325 | W4UKA | W4DRK | W6DOD | 180 | K1UDD | K6HWC/1 | W2IBF |
| W7ADS | | W5LRY | W6FB | DL6KG | K6KQN | OB8RT | W2WLN |
| | 300 | W9LKJ | | H1Z | VE3ACU | OK2DB | W6BPW |
| 320 | W2GDG | | 200 | K3RUR | VE3BBB | VE3GHL | W4PFS |
| HB9EO | | 240 | JA1TAA | K4AVC | WA2VWI | W1LMZ | W8LAU |
| W2PDB | 280 | DL1BS | K1UHY | K4QE | W6HPG | W1VAH | W6DAK |
| W3CFD | DL7CX | K4HEP | K4GLA | LA5ID | W6HPS | W2R5O | ZS6BMD |

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|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------|--------|------------|------------|
| 330 | 305 | W6ZKM | W2PDB | K6CWS | F8RV | W8WRP | W4UF |
| G5VT | W7ADS | W7MKI | W6ZBS | LA5ID | F8SJ | W9KHI | W8DEX |
| | W8BGU | YV4IQ | | OH2XA | HB9ADE | | W8SPYL |
| 315 | 300 | 240 | 200 | W1EED | 11CTL | 140 | 120 |
| G3HDA | W5JWM | CT1BH | K2GPL | W3ABI | K6AO | DL3LS | JA1AAT |
| K2B2T | | W1SXQ | K4VKW | W4IHO | K6GSV | K6HWC/1 | K2EUR |
| ZS6UR | 280 | W5DL | WA1IHN | WA6DOB | VE3GNM | K6KQN | VE2AKZ |
| | IT1TAI | W7WLL | WB2LRK | W9DOR | WB2UZU | VE3ACU | WB2CDF |
| 310 | W3JK | 220 | W5EGS | W3MDJ | W4LXL | VE3GHL | WB2OUZ |
| KP4CL | | K1BDP | WB6CCV | W4LXL | W1MDO | W1DO | WA4NBW |
| OZ7FG | 260 | K4IEP | 180 | DJ7CX | DL1BS | W2YD | W4E1W |
| W5LZW | W1HJB | K8VCB | DJ9JX | DL1RA | W7WTS | W4GRG | 5U7AL |

QST, so you will know when your SCM is coming up for reelection and you can act accordingly. If he is a good SCM, you will want to reelect him. If you don't like him, this is your chance to put *your* man in office. Five signatures aren't many. Too often, SCMs are elected by default—only one valid petition. Keep your eye on "Election Notices"—they are an important part of the democratic aspect of your League.—*WINJ.M.*

CODE PROFICIENCY PROGRAM

Twice each month special transmissions are made to enable you to qualify for the ARRL Code Proficiency Certificate. The next qualifying run from W1AW will be made Jan. 11 at 0230 GMT. Identical tests will be sent simultaneously by transmitters on listed c.w. frequencies: The next qualifying run from W6OWP only will be transmitted Jan. 2 at 0500 Greenwich Mean Time on 3950 and 7129 kHz. **CAUTION!** Note that since the dates are given per Greenwich Mean Time Code Proficiency Qualifying Runs in the United States and Canada actually fall on the evening previous to the date given. *Example.* In converting, 0230 GMT Jan. 11 becomes 2130 EST Jan. 10. Each month the ARRL Activities Calendar notes the qualifying run dates for W1AW and W6OWP for the coming 3-month period.

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

Code practice is sent daily by W1AW at 0030 and 0230 GMT, simultaneously on all listed c.w. frequencies. At 0230 GMT Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, speeds are 15 20 25 30 and 35 w.p.m.; on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sundays, speeds are 5 7½ 10 13 20 and 25 w.p.m. **CAUTION!** 0230 GMT Tuesday corresponds to 9:30 p.m.

(EST) and 6:30 p.m. (PST) Monday evening. For practice purposes, the order of words in each line may be reversed during the 5 through 13 w.p.m. tests. At 0030 GMT daily, speeds are 10, 13 and 15 w.p.m. The 0230-0320 GMT runs are omitted four times each year, on designated nights when Frequency Measuring Tests are made in this period. To permit improving your first by sending *in step* with W1AW (but not on the air!) and to allow checking strict accuracy of your copy on certain tapes note the GMT dates and texts to be sent in the 0230-0320 GMT practice on those dates:

- Date Subject of Practice Text from November QST
- Jan. 10: *It Seems to Us*, p. 9
- Jan. 14: *The Mainline FS-1 . . . Standard*,* p. 34
- Jan. 22: *An R.F.-Actuated C.W. Monitor*, p. 39
- Jan. 30: *Amateur Radio Public Service Corps*,* p. 78
- Date Text from *Understanding Amateur Radio*
- Feb. 3: *Grounded Antennas*, p. 98
- Feb. 7: *Impedance Values*, p. 99

*Speeds will be sent in reverse order, highest speed first.

Ooops . . .

When it came time to reprint the *Operating an Amateur Radio Station* booklet (affectionately called OARS in the CD!) W1YYM had a brainstorm—why not include all countries in those "split sections" so newer type amateurs would readily identify their section.

One slight difficulty cropped up, however. All Western Pennsylvania counties were shown under an Eastern Pennsylvania heading! Transpose the East/West notations in the Atlantic Division and carry on, OMs. (*Sorry about that!*)

OCTOBER CD PARTIES

Autumn is when leaves start falling and CD Party scores start rising. The October extravaganza saw three ardent Party-liners with over 900 exchanges and 300 kilopoints on c.w.; three of the Seedy Garg hollered their way to 100,000-plus on phone. Yet, as K2KIR noted, it was more a case of increased multiband operation than of increased participation. (There must be some way to work in the word "ubiquitous" here.)

Before you flip over some of the fancy QSO-per-hour rates below and in the CD Bulletin, keep in mind that the

W1AW SCHEDULE, JANUARY 1969

The ARRL Maxxim 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 New Year's Day, January 1, 1969.

| GMT* | Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|------------------------|------------------------|--------|---|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|----------|
| 0000 | | | | | RTTY OBS ^{3,7} | | |
| 0030 | ← | | CODE PRACTICE DAILY ¹ 10-13-15 w.p.m. | | | | → |
| 0100 | | ← | | | C.W. OBS ¹ | | → |
| 0120-0200 ⁴ | | | 7.020 | 3.520 | 7.020 ⁶ | 3.520 ⁶ | 7.020 |
| 0200 | | ← | | | PHONE OBS ² | | → |
| 0205-0230 ⁴ | | | 3.820 | 50.120 | 145.6 | 1.820 | 3.820 |
| 0230 | ← | | CODE PRACTICE DAILY ¹ (15-35 w.p.m. TThSat), (5-25 w.p.m. MWFSa) | | | | → |
| 0330-0400 ⁴ | | | 3.520 | | 1.820 | | 3.520 |
| 0400 | RTTY OBS ³ | | ← | | RTTY OBS ³ | | → |
| 0410-0430 ⁴ | | | 3.625 | 14.095 | 7.095 | 14.095 | 3.625 |
| 0430 | Phone OBS ² | | ← | | PHONE OBS ² | | → |
| 0435-0500 ⁴ | | | 7.220 | 3.820 | 7.220 | 3.820 | 7.220 |
| 0500 | C.W. OBS ¹ | | ← | | C.W. OBS ¹ | | → |
| 0530-0600 ⁴ | | | 3.520 ⁶ | 7.020 ⁶ | 3.520 | 7.220 | 3.520 |
| 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 | | 14.095 | 21/25 ⁵ | 14.280 | |
| 2100-2200 | | 14.100 | 14.280 | 14.100 | 14.280 | 14.100 | |
| 2300-2345 | | 7.255 | 21/28 ⁸ | 21.1 ⁶ | 21/28 ⁸ | 7.255 | |

¹ 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.

² Phone OBS (bulletins) 1.82, 3.82, 7.22, 14.22, 21.27, 28.52, 50.12, and 145.6 MHz.

³ RTTY OBS (bulletins) 3.625, 7.095, 14.095, 21.095 and 29.015 MHz.

⁴ Starting time approximate. Operating period follows conclusion of bulletin or code practice.

⁵ Operation will be on one of the following frequencies; 21.02, 21.08, 21.27, 21.41, 23.02 or 28.52 MHz.

⁶ W1AW will listen in the Novice segments for Novices, on the band indicated (but will transmit on the frequency shown) before looking for other contacts.

⁷ Bulletins sent with 170-Hertz shift, repeated with 850-Hertz shift.

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

use of good old "rubber-clock" time-fudging tricks (which, if you don't already know them, we aren't going to broadcast) is becoming prevalent enough so that something ought to be done to curb the practice. We're considering the adoption of a minimum time-off period similar to what we have in the SS, except that 15 minutes rather than 30 would be more appropriate for the Parties. It doesn't seem fair that a few contestants can perform feats of such astounding chronometric legerdemain that they actually wind up with as much as three hours of operating that appears in the log as "off time!" Let's call it a vote for equal opportunity.

In the following list of high claimed scores, read (from left to right) call, total score, number of QSOs, number of sections, and (hmmm) hours of operation. Final results will appear in the January *CD Bulletin*. — *W1ARR*

| | | | |
|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| C.W. | | WA7IFD | 135,765-426-63-10 |
| W1BGD/2 | 325,330-950-68-17 | W0NHH | 128,950-391-62-8 |
| K2KIR | 318,780-959-66-19 | W6NKR | 124,990-424-58-15 |
| K2EUI/5 | 311,100-908-68-20 | W3KJJ | 124,945-403-61-13 |
| WA0SDC | 289,440-858-67-19 | K9GNC | 124,440-408-61-8 |
| K1ZND/8 | 287,640-839-68-20 | K6LBY | 121,695-394-61-15 |
| W1EOB | 266,640-801-66-20 | K2KNV | 116,400-382-60-7 |
| W6DGH | 261,690-786-66-20 | WA1FJU | 116,290-401-58-11 |
| W1ET (K1YKT, opr.) | | W9RQM | 110,010-379-57-6 |
| | 250,250-764-65-19 | K6QPH/4 | 108,560-363-59-13 |
| VE7BDJ | 246,895-730-67-20 | WB4PEC | 107,800-392-55-14 |
| K4RIN/5 | 240,320-747-64-20 | WA2ABY | 107,400-353-60-15 |
| K2LWR | 236,610-717-66-19 | WSAEB | 107,400-353-60-10 |
| WA9ITB | 235,520-729-64-15 | K3BXE | 107,100-357-50-18 |
| W4UQ | 234,630-704-66-19 | W4HM | 104,100-341-60-6 |
| K0AZJ | 214,170-645-66-18 | W4KBC | 104,160-365-56-4 |
| WB2RKK | 207,900-653-63-19 | W4SQE | 101,600-365-56-17 |
| K3HKK (K3AHT, opr.) | | WA9OTD | 101,500-350-58-10 |
| | 204,290-652-62-18 | W1AX | 101,260-325-61-3 |
| W3GN | 194,370-622-62-13 | W0BM | 100,890-335-59-6 |
| WB4AIN/4 | 192,820-616-62-18 | W3DFJ | 100,800-329-60-8 |
| W6GEN | 191,835-602-63-20 | W6RW (W6s DQX RW, K9ZMS) | 359,040-1056-68-20 |
| W1ETU | 186,000-600-62-17 | | |
| K4FU | 176,545-520-67-12 | | |
| K7WWR | 171,105-556-61-20 | | |
| W9PJT | 168,055-547-61-15 | | |
| K8HKM | 165,750-506-65-16 | | |
| K2LJG | 156,000-515-60-18 | | |
| WB4GTS | 154,635-500-61-15 | | |
| WA8OCG | 154,635-501-61-15 | | |
| W5QGZ | 145,200-478-60-19 | | |
| W8DET | 145,808-462-62-18 | | |
| WA9VZM | 143,955-451-63-11 | | |
| W2FR | 142,740-461-61-16 | | |
| WA1ABW | 140,160-431-64-18 | | |
| W2PU (K8JLF, opr.) | | | |
| | 135,765-424-63-14 | | |

PHONE

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| K2EUI/5 | 178,890-527-67-19 |
| W1BGD/2 | 160,225-486-65-15 |
| K1ZND/8 | 122,450-388-62-16 |
| K6QPH/4 | 81,780-277-58-20 |
| W5QGZ | 80,100-261-60-20 |
| W80WG | 76,175-274-55-18 |
| W3GN | 75,350-267-55-12 |
| K1PKQ/4 | 71,960-257-56-18 |
| K9LBC/7 | 64,190-255-49-7 |
| WA0SDC | 56,190-205-54-5 |
| WA9HHH/1 | 56,160-202-54-17 |

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| K4IEX | 55,650-203-53-9 | W6DGH | 44,880-169-51-6 |
| K3WUW | 55,000-200-55-7 | WA1ABW | 44,345-174-49-9 |
| WA5GZX | 51,255-201-51-12 | WB2TKP | 43,000-168-50-11 |
| K4TSJ | 49,400-190-52-7 | K4FU | 42,550-178-46-7 |
| K2KNV | 46,500-180-50-7 | K6ARH | 42,000-165-50-4 |
| W6GEN | 46,280-171-52-9 | K2LJG | 40,185-168-47-10 |
| W8NOH | 45,050-165-53-8 | K3AKR | 40,036-153-51-19 |

Remember the SET, January 25-26, 1969. QRV?

RESULTS, SEPTEMBER FREQUENCY MEASURING TEST

The September 14, 1968 FMT, open to all amateurs, brought entries from 261 participants who made a total of 1040 measurements. Of these 56 ARRL Official Observers submitted 251, and 205 Non-OOs made 789 readings. All taking part have received individual reports of their readings. The standings accredited to the more precise in each group appear below; all listed show ability of the highest order in Frequency Measurement.

Following is a report of the standings of the FMT leaders in this test. In consideration of the minimum possible error, due to 'doppler' and unavoidable factors, we accredit as of equal merit all reports where computations show 4/10ths parts per million, or higher accuracy. Our direct comparisons with the umpire's readings otherwise establish this order of listing.

| Observers | Parts/ Million | Non-Observers | Parts/ Million |
|---------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| W1BGW, W3BFF, | | W1UYK, W2GBX, | |
| W3PYW, W4JUI, | | W3CSZ (opr. of | |
| W4NTO, W5FMO, | | WA3DZC) W3EKT, | |
| K6KA, W6RQ | | K3LPP, W5BT, | |
| (ex-W6GQA) | | K5EVK, W5JF, | |
| (0 to 4) | | WB6AAL, W6QEO, | |
| K9WMP..... | 3 | W6SPB, W7EJD, | |
| W6CBX..... | 1.0 | W7FNA, K7UWY, | |
| K6BRS..... | 1.1 | CT2AT, W8LZY, | |
| W4ZEQ..... | 2.6 | K9KRW, K9QKB, | |
| VE6HM..... | 2.6 | VE3CSN, VE3CB, | |
| K6EC..... | 3.1 | VE3DWG | |
| K8QKY..... | 4.3 | (0 to 4) | |

FREQUENCY MEASURING TEST FEBRUARY 8 (GMT)

ARRL invites every amateur to try his hand at frequency measuring when W1AW transmits signals for this purpose starting at 0230 GMT, Feb. 8. **CAUTION:** Note that since the date is given in Greenwich Mean Time, the early run of the frequency measuring test actually falls on the evening previous to the date given. *Example:* In converting 0230 GMT Feb. 8 becomes 2130 EST Feb. 7. The signals will consist of dashes interspersed with station identification. These will follow a general message sent to help listeners to locate the signals before the measurement transmission starts. The approximate frequencies used will be 3540, 7030 and 14,118 kHz. About 4½ minutes will be allowed for measuring each frequency, with long dashes for measurement starting about 0236. It is suggested that frequencies be measured in the order listed. Transmission will be found within 5 or 10 kHz. of the suggested frequencies.

At 0530 GMT, February 8, W1AW will transmit a second series of signals for the Frequency Measuring Test. Approximate frequencies will be 3547, 7045 and 14,151 kHz.

Individual reports on results will be sent to all amateurs who take part and submit entries. When the average accuracy reported shows error of less than 71.43 parts per million, or falls between 71.43 and 357.15 parts per million, participants will be-

come eligible for appointments by SCMs as Class I or Class II OOs respectively.

This ARRL Frequency Measuring Test will be used to aid qualification of ARRL members as Class I and Class II observers. Present observers not demonstrating the requisite average accuracy will be reclassified approximately until they demonstrate the above-stated minimum required accuracy. Class I and Class II OOs must participate in at least two FMTs each year to hold appointments. SCMs (see listing, page 6) invite applications for Class III and IV observer posts, good receiving equipment being the main requirement. All observers must make use of cooperative notices, reporting activity monthly through SCMs, to warrant continued holding of appointment.

Any amateur may submit measurements on one or all frequencies listed above. No entry consisting of a single measurement will be eligible for QST listing of top results. Listing will be based on over-all average accuracy, as compared with readings may be a professional lab.

W1AW will transmit the official readings for the February 8 FMT via a special bulletin (on or about February 20). Thus, to qualify for an official written report, your individual results must be received at ARRL Headquarters no later than February 19.

SCM AREC ORS CP SEG OBS TCC OO
Station Activities
 ORS AIOPR EC DXCG CLUBS RM OPS RC

• 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. The First State ARC held its Annual Picnic at Pine Waters, Pa. W3DEO and K3YBU won the F.S. ARC 2-meter hunt. WA3HD is asst. secy. of VPI ARC. W3CZS is the new Kent County EC. WA3DYG is signing up amateurs for RACES IN N.C. County. W3HKS has a new antenna up. W3COT is now out of the Army. WA3GSM, WA3GKI and WA3GQY are operating portable from the U. of Delaware. WA3HWC is using a 6- and 2-meter quad. The Delaware Six Meter Net seems to have gone into a slump, so what say, gang, let's start checking into the net every Tue. evening. K3AXW reports African DX on 6 meters. WA3IOQ is now General Class. K3JLY passed the Advanced Class exam. DEPN reports QNI 56. QTC 6; DSMN reports QNI 39; KCEPN reports QNI 32, QTC 2; JTMN reports QNI 40. Traffic: W3DKX 46, W3EEB 32, WA3HWC 5, WA3DUM 2, W3HKS 2, K3NYG 2, WA3GSM 1.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA—SCM, George S. Van Dyke, Jr., W3HRK—SEC; WA3EA, RMs: W3EML, K3MVO, K3YVG, W3MPX. PAMs: K3MYS, K3WAJ. V.H.F. PAM: W3FGQ. OBS reports were received from WA3AFI, K3WEU, K3BHU, K3RDM, WA3EEC and WA3INC; OVS reports from K3HDI, WA3BJQ, K3VAX, W3ZRR, WA3IAZ and WA3EEC; OO reports from W3KEK, K3NOX and K3RDT.

| Net | Freq. | Operates | QNI | QTC | RM/PAM |
|----------|-------|---------------|-----|-----|--------|
| EPA | 3610 | Daily 6:45p | 385 | 507 | K3YVG |
| PTTN | 3610 | Daily 8:00p | | 257 | W3MPX |
| PFN | 3960 | Daily 5:30p | 509 | 493 | K3MYS |
| EPAEP&TN | 3917 | Daily 6:00p | 615 | 323 | K3WAJ |
| VHF (6) | 50.25 | Mon-Fri 7:00p | | | W3FGQ |
| VHF (2) | 145.6 | Mon-Fri 8:00p | | | W3FGQ |

Note the PFN is now daily the same as the other nets. We have a new OPS, W3BNR. WA3IUV is working on low-level antennas. WA3HDI, WA3JOB, WA3FDB and W3HFY assisted local police in Halloween Patrol. W3BUR is off to Nassau. K3NOX has a new dipole antenna. W3AXA is back from K17-Land now rigging an antenna to work new friends up that way. The U. of P. hams just got a complete new station. WA3BSV has a new HW-12 and an HW-32. K3MDG is busy at K3JHQ. Valley Forge Hospital station. WA3INC fixed a BC-342 that was reported to be unfixable! WA3ATQ and K3YJK took time out to go down to the FCC office and get their A tickets. K3WEU is going strong on the Book Review Net and servicemen's traffic for the holidays. WA3AFI and W3CBH work as a team on broadcasts. K3OIO is finding that work interferes with ham radio sometimes! The EPA Section Dinner was a delightful success, thanks to WA3FCP. WA3CNAI is back on the traffic nets again. The winner for EPA in the N.Y. QSO Party was WA3HOM. W3ICC, Bucks Co. EC, reports three new Asst. ECs—WA3KTK, K3ZIG and W3BUR. W3ICC, assisted by K3ZAC and W3MPX, gave an ARPSC night at a Penn. Wireless Assn. meeting. The following EPAers participated in the FMT with their average accuracy following their calls: W3NNC 11.5, W3JET 8.6, K3EMA 14.8, W3BFF 0.3, WA3AYV 321.3, K3DBD 26.5, WA3FBP 28.2, W3N3KLR 13.5, W3PT 0.6, K3LPP 0.0. BPL this month: W3CUL, W3VR, W3EML, W3MPX, K3NSN, WA3INC, WA3AOJ, W3ICC had a

dry run for Bucks Co. ARPSC. K3KTH says computer school is cutting his ham time. Traffic: W3CUL 5479, W3VR 2117, W3EML 688, W3MPX 536, K3NSN 535, WA3INC 307, W3ERL 281, W3CID 271, K3MVO 256, WA3AOJ 191, W3HNC 175, W3AIZ 158, K3YVG 138, WA3IUV 128, W3ERL 281, W3CID 271, K3MVO 256, WA3AOJ 191, W3HNC 175, W3AIZ 158, K3YVG 138, WA3IUV 128, WA3JKB 104, WA3FCP 98, K3PIE 89, WA3EXB 81, WA3GAT 74, WA3GLI 70, K3WJ 69, WA3ATQ 6, WA3HDI 66, W3FPC 63, W3HK 61, W3ABT 60, W3N3NL 55, WA3AFI 54, WA3GUK 50, W3BNR 48, K3WEU 41, W3FGQ 40, K3OIO 36, WA3EEC 27, WA3AXA 26, K3BHU 24, K3HRW 22, K3MDG 22, W3CBH 19, K3RUA 19, W3VAP 18, WA3JLF 15, K3SLJ 12, WA3CND 10, W3KJ 10, K3KTH 8, W3OML 8, W3OY 8, WA3BSV 7, WA3FPM 6, W3KEK 4, WA3GYE 3, WA3BJG 2, K3FOB 2, WA3IAZ 2, W3ADE 1, W3BUR 1, W3EU 1, K3NOX 1, K3RDM 1, K3VAX 1.

MARYLAND-DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—SCM, Carl E. Andersen, K3JYZ—SEC: W3LDD.

| Net | Freq. | Time | Days | Sess. | QTC | QNI | Mgr. |
|--------|---------|-------|----------|-------|-----|------|------------|
| | | | | | | Ave | |
| MDD | 3643 | 0000Z | Daily | 30 | 341 | 12.2 | WA3HTQ, RM |
| MDS | 3643 | 0130Z | Daily | 27 | 36 | 4.3 | W3CBG, RM |
| MDC/TN | 3920 | 2300Z | S-T-T-S | 18 | 67 | 18.5 | K3GZK, PAM |
| MEPN | 3920 | 2300Z | M-W-F | 22 | 88 | | K3IAG |
| MTMTN | 145.206 | 0200Z | T thru S | 22 | 9 | 8.2 | W3IFU |

New appointees: WOUCB/3 as ORS, WA3IJR as OPS, WA3ERL as OPS, WA3IAQ as ORS, Endorsed appointments: W3IN as OO Class I, W3ATQ as ORS and OO Class IV, K3LFD is the new SCM for MDC. I hope that John will get the same cooperation from the ARRL members of the MDC section as I did. W3LDD has published a new MDC Emergency Operation Plan which will be used in the coming SET. W3TN and WA3IYS both made the BPL. W3FU was QRL with Intruder Watching and OO duties in Oct. W3GN reports 78 activity and was active in the V.H.F. Party on c.w. K3LGZ/3 has resumed ORS functions as a transplant from Missouri. K3NCM has new-car blues as he must build a new power supply for his mobile rig. W3KBY reports 10 states so far for his WAS. K3IRC/3 is a transplanted ORS from Michigan section. WA3AYW was the MDC winner of the N.Y. QSO Party. W3EOV has had his activity curtailed by school. W3N3KCP has 24 states confirmed for his WAS. K3LFD has been appointed Asst. Director of the Atlantic Division. W3MYB is running two Novice classes. WA3JBY will be mountain-topping in Frederick again. WA3GVP has a new Advanced Class license along with WAC and WAS certificates. W3GEB is refurbishing his shack. W3JPT was one of the hot-shots at K4CG during the CQWW DX Contest. WA3HRV/3 was the top man in the MDC QSO party from this section. W8QHW was tops from all the other ARRL sections. W3ECP is prepping his oldest grandson for the Novice exam. WA3EOP has a new 2-meter HW-17 rig. W3FA finally has his antenna farm planted, W3JPT is relocating one of his antenna towers. W3ODC reports activity in the YLRL, YLAP and CD Parties. WA3ENW reports handling emergency traffic with H18XMB. WA3GGO reports successful operation on his 6-meter transceiver with troubles cured and is assembling a 40/80-meter c.w. rig. Traffic: (Oct.) WA3IYS 477, W3TN 241, W3ATO 167, W3CRG 125, K3GZK 81, WA3ERL 62, K3LED 53, WA3AQ 46, WA3JBY 39, K3JYZ 28, K3LFN 24, K3QCD 22, W3PRC 20, W3FA 11, W3ECP 10, W3EOV 10, WA3IJR 9, K3IRC/3 6, WA3HNW 5, W3DPJ 4, WA3EOP 4, K3LGZ/3 4, K3NCM 4. (Sept.) K3LFN 15.

SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY—SCM, Edward G. Raser, W2ZZI—Asst. SCM; Charles E. Travers, W2YPZ, SEC; W9LVW, RMs: WA2KIP, WA2BLY, PAMs: WA2UVB, W2ZJ, NJN reports QNI of 440 stations and 483 traffic; NJEPN reports QNI of 505 and 160 traffic. The N.J. Emergency Phone & Traffic Net's 10th Annual Dinner was held at Bhare's Tavern near Hightstown on Oct. 19 with some 47 in attendance. W2ZZI formally turned over the net managership to W2PEV, after serving 15 years as its manager and "grand-daddy" of the net. WA2ABY and W2PU (K3JLF) both scored over 100k points in the Oct. CD Party. W2ZI attended the 6th

Annual Historical Radio Conference in Washington, D.C. Oct. 4-5-6 held at the Smithsonian Institution. W2EET, formerly of Oaklyn, now W4VJR, of Deerfield Beach, Fla., would like his friends to know he is working on 14 Mc. and looking for his old buddies. W2HIQ is MC of the RCA Net, which meets on 3885 Mon. and Fri. at 8 P.M. WA2BZY, winner of the NYS QSO Party, also made the 4th national spot in the contest. The Penn.-Jersey V.H.F. Society held its annual auction Nov. 11. W2TLO has been released from the USAF. A new YL member of the NJPEN is WA2FGS, YF of W2CDZ. WB2UVB made the BPL again. SEC W2LVW has been in the hospital. WB2DRG sent in his first report. W2-BHH and W2VMX made good scores in the Sept. ARRL FMT. K2RXB (N6JZE) is now on the Navy MARS RTTY circuit. WA2GAA is in Veteran's Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa. WB2VEJ, our 81-year young vet of the NJN, finally made 100 messages. WA2EMB worked W9-WCD in DeKalb, Ill., on 432 Mc. a record for this band. Traffic: (Oct.) WA2UVB 225, WB2VEJ 111, W2ZI 109, WA2ABY 94, W2AZLN 90, W2ORS 67, W2PU 58, WA2-KIP 48, W2CKP 32, K2SHE 22, W2UI 21, W2YPZ 18, W2BLM 17, WB2EJE 16, K2CJ 11, WB2SFX 8, K2SOL 6, WB2GTE 4, WA2KAP 4. (Sept.) K2SHE 24.

WESTERN NEW YORK—SCM, Richard M. Pitz-ruse, K2KTE—Asst. SCM: Rudy Ehrhardt, W2PVI. SEC: W2RUF. Nets: NYS, 3675 kc., 1900 local; NYS-P-TEN, 3925 kc., 2900Z; BSS, 3590 kc., 1800 local; NYSCN, 3675 kc., Sun., 1000 local and Mon. 1945 local. If your net is not listed here and does operate on the section level (but not necessarily NTS) please let me know. WA2CAL is a new ORS. Renewals are WB2EPG as ORS, K2LCT as OBS and WA2HSB as OPS. The section is in need of stations desirous and capable of being OBS and OOS. OVSs: WB2ZDP, K2DNN and K2LGG moan the lack of 50-Mc. activity in Oct. WB2ZDP continues progress on his 432-Mc. gear. W2MA yearns for the grandfather clause applying to the Extra. The Chemung County AREC elected WA2HFL, pres.; WA2FJJ, vice-pres.; WA2ZBD, secy.-treas.; K2DNN, trustee. W2ZGTQ is a new Rochester Novice—one of his first QSOs was with a NY. With the help of the power company, K2KBI got rid of the noise plaguing his 20-meter DXing. K2HOH celebrated his 50th year in amateur radio. Clarks College ARC elected WB2AFB, pres.; K2ARXX, vice-pres.; WB2PQS, secy.; WBSST, treas. WA2z SNW, HSB, CRC, WWI, JOH, GLA, JPM, JJJ, TRI, YKT, JKA, UIH, WB2z AXM, ZOO and W3EGP/2 all cooperated with the Plattsburgh RACES and police during their annual "Goblin Patrol" on Halloween. W2MTA reports traffic up in NYS to 399 in Oct. from 388 in Sept. Your SCM, along with K2KIR, W2FR, W2MTA, and W2RUF, represented W.N.Y. at the Hudson Division Convention in Tarrytown. W2GBX and W2EB each averaged less than 1 part per million error in the Sept. FMT. WA2YNS has a new three-element quad. A 50-ft. tower is on the way. W2AFB returned from a trip to England and Ireland. W2PZD made WAS and is QRX for the cards to prove it. WB2NZA got his Advanced Class license and Private Pilot's license all in one week. W2OE and WA2CAL again made the BPL. The RAGS Field Day group, using W2WS/2, finished 7th in the nation in the one transmitter class and was top W2. Traffic: (Oct.) W2FR 426, WA2CAL 410, W2OE 300, WB2OYE 258, WB-2GAL 213, WB2SMD 198, W2RUF 155, W2PEB 128, W2-MTA 110, W2QC 99, K2CC 61, K2RYH 58, WA2HSB 54, W2HYM 53, WB2VND 52, WB2ZDK 40, W2RQF 39, K2-JRX 37, W2AFB 24, W2PZL 21, K2IMI 19, K2OFV 19, K2DNN 16, WB2RWR 13, K2QDT 9, W2PVI 7, WB2-WZG 7, W2PNW 6, WA2PZD 6, WA2GLA 4, W2CFP 2, WA2YNS 2. (Sept.) WB2GAL 151, W2RQF 43, WB2NZA 6, WA2GLA 2.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA—SCM, John F. Wojtkiewicz, W3GJY—SEC: W3KJP, PAM: W3WFR. RMs: WA3AKH, W3KUN, W3MFB, W3NEM. Traffic nets: KSSN, 2330 GMT, 3585 kc. WPA, 0000 GMT, 3585 kc. The section's condolences are extended to the families of W3LXQ and W3WXX who passed on to the land of Silent Keys. This office wishes all a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Nominations are now requested for the outstanding amateur in Western Pennsylvania during 1968 for the William G. Walker, W3NUG, Memorial Award. Nominations, in triplicate, should be mailed to John F. Wojtkiewicz, W3GJY, 1400 Chaplin St., Conway, Pa. 15027. Deadline is midnight, Jan. 31, 1969. W3ELZ tries his new two-element quad on DX. K3ANT/3 got his Amateur Extra license. K3SMB has been appointed EC for Allegheny County. W7FDZ is the former K3NJZ. WA3GQO won first place in the New York State QSO Party. K3ZNP serves as a liaison station between the PFN and W.Pa. traffic nets. WA3BSP put up a tri-band beam. W3WFR and W3RSB were honored with meritorious award certificates by W3YA, At-

lantic Division Director, for their outstanding services to radio amateurs in the section. W3QNI builds trans-verters for 144 Mc. W3ZUH is QSL Manager for 6Y5ET. K3ASI is looking for RTTY skeds on 146.70-Mc. A-2 transmissions. K3NPY is asst. chief engineer of TV channel 53 at Pittsburgh. WA3FOJ and his XYL, WA3-FOL, are using a new beam on 6 meters. WA3KSM, at Ellwood City, and others are on s.s.b. and c.w. during auroral openings just above 145 Mc. but most stations are crammed in down below 144.1 Mc. You Techs. who want to build up your code speed should try your c.w. above 145 Mc. W3BWU has performed the extraordinary feat of qualifying for "WPX" on 6 meters. It's imperative that we show good usage of amateur frequencies and privileges. One good way to do it is to participate in the Amateur Radio Emergency Corps. ECs are needed in counties throughout our section. You can help. Drop a line to SEC W3KJP for full details. A New Year's resolution: Check the expiration date on your license. Traffic: (Oct.) WA3-IPU 215, K3ZNP 163, W3NEM 130, W3LOS 88, K3HKH 68, K3SOH 36, W3GJY 28, W3KJP 28, K3ASI 22, K3SJJN 16, W3YA 14, K3HCT 13, W2KAT/3 11, W3IDO 9, K3-SMB 9, W3LOD 8, W3ELZ 4, WA3HSI 4. (Sept.) WA3-HSI 19.

CENTRAL DIVISION

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

| Net | Freq. | Time | Days | T/c. |
|----------|------------|-------|-----------|-----------|
| IBN | 3940 kc. | 1400Z | Sun. | No report |
| ILN | 3960 kc. | 0000Z | Daily | 203 |
| NCPN | 3915 kc. | 1300Z | Mon.-Sat. | 638 |
| NCPN | 3915 kc. | 1800Z | Mon.-Sat. | |
| Ill. FON | 3925 kc. | 1700Z | Mon.-Fri. | 602 |
| Ill. FON | 145.5 Mc. | 2000Z | M.W.F. | 217 |
| TNT | 145.36 Mc. | 2100 | Sun.-Fri. | 338 |

This column's sympathy is extended to the family and friends of W9PPM and K9UNZ, who recently passed away. W9CEG, K9QKB, W9VOX, K9TPC, W9REC, WA-9OXI, W9CAA, K9KRW, W9KFO, K9WVP, W9KCY, K9HKJ and K9CZU participated in the League's recent Frequency Measuring Test. New appointees include WA9-ZUE and WA9YQT as ORSs, K9DTB as OVS, WA9-UULP and WA9VLK as OBSs. WA9LHU was appointed EC of DeWitt County. A W9 DX Contest, sponsored by the NIDXA in combination with the Annual W9-DXCC Dinner, will feature the most countries worked and confirmed starting Jan. 1, 1969, at 0001 GMT and ending at the DXCC Dinner. Contact K9VLE or W9-LKJ for details. W9JN's new call is W9EY. The winner of the 1968 New York QSO Party in the Ill. section was WA9MMT. W9NWK reports that the traffic count for the 75-Meter Interstate Single Sideband Net was 424. W9JXV is the new net manager and W9NWK is assistant. W9T-EM operated from the National Electronics Conference at the Conrad Hilton Hotel Dec. 9, 10 and 11, K9AAU spoke about amateur moonbounce at a meeting at the Shedd Planetarium. K9FRZ is now Extra Class. Many of the Chicago Area amateurs participated in the Operation Eagle-eye on Election Day on 2-meter f.m. K9TXJ has been appointed trustee of the Palestine, Ill., Radio Club. W9HSD now has a complete 1-kw. s.s.b. portable equipment including generator, linear, exciter and antenna. The Radio Amateur Megacycle Society, Inc., will sponsor the 7th Annual Illinois QSO Party Aug. 2 and 3, 1969. Write to W9GFF for details. WA9TXW, K9BAG, WA9-TTH and WA9QCH were elected as officers of the Kishwaukee Radio Club of DeKalb. WA9RPF is looking for a high-quality, low-power c.w. station. W9CVY is hospitalized and we wish him a speedy recovery. W9ZZX has returned to W9-Land after a sojourn to the West Coast. The Barrington ARC holds regular meetings Thurs. at 8 P.M. at the Barrington High School. All are invited. WA9QE is working DX and awaiting his confirmations for a DXCC award. K9QXK, Radio Officer of Elmwood Park Civil Defense, reports that the motorized wheelchair fund for W9CUZ was successful. WA9NDM was guest speaker of the Nov. 6 meeting of the Chicago Area Teleprinters Society. The Rolling Meadows Amateur Radio Club has published its first bulletin. A new Novice call heard is W9ZUR. Special Sesquicentennial medals were presented to the members of the Sangamon Valley Radio Club (Springfield) for their inauguration and diligence in making the Illinois QSL program a success by Mr. L. A. Wollan, jr. assistant chairman of the Sesquicentennial Commission. WA9CNV, WA9MHU, K9-KZB, W9KII and WA9TUM are BPL certificate recipients. Traffic: WA9CNV 1415, WA9MHU 873, K9KZB 520, W9-KII 405, W9NXG 337, WA9TUM 269, WA9AKR 167,

WA9OTD 127, WA9BRQ 86, WA9PPA 78, WA9VNH/9 71, W9DOQ 60, W9YH 58, WA9ZUE 54, WA9LDC 50, WA9-
TCC 38, W9HOT 33, K9FRZ 9, K9HSK 9, W9LNU 8,
W9PRR 8, K9TXJ 5, K9RAS 2.

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

| Nets | Freq. | Time | Oct. Tfc. | Mgr. |
|-----------------|-------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|
| IPN | 3910 | 1330Z Daily | 2300Z M-F | 228 K9IVG |
| ISN | 3910 | 0000Z Daily | 2130Z M-S | 701 K9CRS |
| | | | 2300Z M-F | |
| QIN | 3656 | 0100Z Daily | | 186 W9HRY |
| Ind. PON | 3910 | 1245 Sun. | | 49 K9EFY |
| Ind. PON V.H.F. | 507 | 0200Z Mon., Thurs. | | 34 WA9NLE |

With deep regret I report W9DMU, of Indianapolis, and K9WRK, of Jeffersonville, as Silent Keys. W9PMT, mgr. of the Hoosier v.h.f. nets, reports Oct. traffic as 46. W9-
DOK is back on the air after being bedfast. W9FJI is on
6 and 2 with a new antenna. WA9QEQ has big trouble.
WA9CJR has a new Swan 250. W9DGA received his Extra
Class license. The Allen county Amateur Technical Society
of Fort Wayne Ind., is setting up a 2-meter f.m. repeater.
K9UBF and WA9UFU will soon have a club
license. The Indiana Amateur TV and U.H.F. Club held
its fall meeting Oct. 13 at the Naval Avionic Facility
radio club house. The Indianapolis Radio Club held the
first Annual Award Dinner Oct. 25. W9BS was recipient
of the Award, Endorsements due in Jan.: K9IVG as
PAM; W9SNQ and W9JSV as ECs; WA9AUM and W9-
SNQ as ORSs; K9UIF as OVS; W9PMT and W9SNQ as
OBSs. QIN Honor Roll: K9VHY 30, W9QLW 25, W9BDP
24, K9DHC 17, WA9ITY 17, WA9JBQ 16. *Amateur radio
certificates because of the service it renders.* BPL certificates
went to W9JYO, K9FZX, K9IVG, W9EQO and WA9QQQ.
May the year 1969 be a good year for all of you. This
column wishes each and every one a Happy New Year.
Traffic: (Oct.) W9JYO 1231, K9FZX 1029, K9IVG 791,
W9EQO 510, W9HRY 322, WA9QQQ 219, W9JBQ 185,
WA9VZM 129, K9CZY 95, W9ICU 88, WA9RWS 85, W9-
BPI 73, WA9RSI 65, K9HYV 62, K9RWQ 45, W9BUQ
44, WA9CJR 42, K9EFY 28, K9QVT 22, W9FWH 21, W9-
UHEI 21, K9LKL 19, K9JQY 18, WA9VBG 18, W9LG 17,
K9KYB 16, WA9QEQ 16, WA9ALAI 15, W9YXX 15, W9-
DOK 13, W9EUM 13, W9CMT 11, WA9KOH 11, W9DZC
10, WA9AUM 9, WA9BVL 9, W9SNQ 9, W9FJI 8, WA9-
KVG 7, WA9VJB 7, WA9WGN 7, W9DGA 6, W9PMT 6,
K9GBR 5. (Sept.) WA9QLW 258, WA9VZM 237, K9HYV
40, K9JKD 35.

WISCONSIN—SCM, Kenneth A. Ebnetter, K9GSC—
SEC: W9NGT, RMs: W9DND and K9KSA, PAMs:
W9NRP, WA9QNI, K9DBR, WA9IZK and W9LVC.

| Net | Freq. | Time | Days | QNI | OTC | Mgr. |
|-------|------------|-------|-----------|------|-----|--------|
| BWN | 3985 kc. | 1245Z | Mon.-Sat. | 414 | 270 | W9NRP |
| BEN | 3985 kc. | 1800Z | Daily | 452 | 217 | W9LVC |
| WSBN | 3985 kc. | 2300Z | Daily | 1337 | 506 | WA9QNI |
| WIN | 3662 kc. | 0115Z | Daily | 309 | 92 | W9DND |
| WSSN | 3780 kc. | 0630Z | Daily | 215 | 43 | K9KSA |
| WRN | 3620 kc. | 0130Z | Sun. | 12 | 1 | K9NSC |
| SWRN | 50.4 Mc. | 0300Z | Mon.-Sat. | | | K9DBR |
| SW2RN | 145.35 Mc. | 0230Z | Daily | 429 | 47 | WA9IZK |

Net certificates went to K9WRQ for WSRN, WA9WOC
for WIN, W9CGC for BEN and WA9YBM for WSSN
and WIN. Renewed appointments: W9IQW, K9WIE and
K9DIN as ORSs; W9IQW as OO and K9WIE as OPS.
New appointment: WA9TXN as ORS. Welcome to K9-
DHN, who moved to Wisconsin from Indiana. FMT re-
sults: W9BCY 6, W9ZJ1 21.4, WA9VNI 107.7, WA9FZU
628 p.p.m. error. BPL certificates for Oct. traffic went
to WA9QKP, WA9QNI, WA9GJU and W9ESJ. The Winne-
bago County gang held its Annual Halloween watch.
WA9VNI is on 2-meter f.m. W9CHD won the New York
QSO Party. W9NUW was NCS for the election-reporting
net in N. Wis. K9GDF led the OOs with 13 notices. K9-
DHN has a new SB-200. Traffic: (Oct.) WA9QKP 530,
WA9GJU 379, W9ESJ 301, K9CPAM 258, W9DND 217,
W9CXV 218, WA9QNI 201, WA9RAK 154, WA9UMT 120,
K9PHI 95, W9KRO 58, K9TBY 58, WA9PKM 57, W9DM
49, W9NRP 43, K9KSA 42, W9DXV 40, W9AOW 38,
W9AYK 37, WA9TXN 34, W9BCH 33, WA9RTP 32, K9-
JPS 29, K9DHN/9 26, W9IRZ 23, WA9OHY 22, WA9-
WOC 18, WA9QQM 14, WA9TUP 18, K9GSC 12, W9R-
QM 12, WA9SAB 8, W9ONI 5, K9GDF/9 4. (Sept.)
W9CXV 137, W9DND 114.

DAKOTA DIVISION

MINNESOTA—SCM, Herman Kopischke Jr.,
W0TCK—SEC: WA0IEF, RMs: K0ORK, WA0EPX,
PAMs: WA0MMV, WA0HRM, MSN meets daily on

3685 kc. at 0030Z. MJN meets Tue.-Sun. on 3685 kc. at
0100Z. Noon MSNP meets Mon.-Sat. at 1805Z on 3945
kc., Sun. and holidays at 1500Z. Evening MSNP meets
daily on 3945 kc. at 2315Z. Appointments renewed: W0-
CMC as ORS and W0FIT as Freeborn Co. EC. Results
of the Aug. 14 FMT are: W0HEN 8.9 parts per million,
W0DAK 26.2 p.p.m. and K0ZXE 107.2 p.p.m. Members
and guests of the Minn. Wireless Assn. were guests of
the Viking ARS in Waseca for an enjoyable time in
Nov. Another year has come and gone with several
serious communications emergencies along with the routine
traffic-handling and other CD activities. I want to
again thank everyone who took part in these various ac-
tivities, the SEC, RMs, PAMs, ECs, OOs, OBSs, ORSs,
OVSs, net controls and all workers in this section. With
this large group of active amateurs working together
toward ever-increasing public service work, much good
can be accomplished for our amateur radio interests. I
am pleased to see considerable interest in the upcoming
SCM election this year, and hope when you receive your
ballots, you will carefully review the qualifications and
the interest the candidates have shown by their past
activity in the Communications Dept. field before casting
your ballots. Traffic: (Oct.) K0RZD 416, W0UMX 87,
WA0EPX 83, WA0MKE 74, W0FHH 68, WA0MMV 60,
K0ORK 60, W0TCK 59, WA0ONS 58, K0MVF 57,
W0BUC 53, WA0ODB 40, W0BE 34, K0SRK 30, W0-
HEN 22, W0FHO 20, WA0TQT 20, K0CNC 18, K0-
FIT 18, K0DEF 16, WA0NH 16, W0KNR 15,
W0KYJ 15, W0EQO 13, WA0DPT 12, W0BUC 9,
WA0JPR 7, W0SZJ 5, K0ZBI/0 4, W0KLG 3, WA0-
NSN 3, WA0DPT 2. (Sept.) WA0SSN 11.

NORTH DAKOTA—SCM, Harold L. Sheets, W0-
DM—SEC: WA0AYL, OBS: K0SPH, PAM: W0CAQ,
RM: W0ELO, WA0OYW prevailed upon his fellow stage
crew members of Central High to help him set that
tower and quad at the new QTH. The GFAB Radio
Club is starting Novice and upgrading classes. K4AAK
is working with the theory while WA0BR is the code
instructor, K6WSP/0 is on 6 meters. The club meets for
ragchews on 10 meters Sun. WA0TBR has everything
ready to hoist that beam. K0PVJ is back after a stint
in the Army and has the Heath line on all hands
where he lives in the country with plenty of room for
an antenna farm. He works for the State Highway Dept.
out of Valley City and keeps the mobiles going for
them. WA0VGJ made it. That fills out the whole family
of four hams in Abercrombie. K0PZY is working in
Chicago for the winter. W0FVX has been holding
skeds with his brother, WA9YXB, on 40 meters. W0-
TXQ spent several days with W0DM en route to Spo-
kane, where he will spend the winter and receive medical
treatment. W0DM has the radio classes well underway
at Valley Jr. High with good response on the part of
the pupils. Tentative plans are being made for such a
course for Novices at the University after Jan. 1. Watch
for later development on this, says WA0AYL. W0-
NMV's traffic report is soaring. WA0HUD still finds the
time to handle a few, too.

NDRACES: Sess. 22 Ck-ins 656 Tfc. 117 K0SPH, W0CAQ, W0EJF
W0JUI, K0PZK, W0GFE
NDPON: Sess. 12 Ck-ins 169 Tfc. 8 WA0UD, WA0KRI,
W0DXC, W0IXZ
Traffic: WA0HUD 176, W0NMV 118, K0SPH 18, W0DM, 10,
WA0UTS 9, W0DXC 4, WA0TBR 3.

SOUTH DAKOTA—SCM, Seward P. Holt, K0TXW
—SEC: WA0CPX, RM: W0IPF, PAM: WA0CWV,
RM W0IPF reports the new c.w. sDN schedule as fol-
lows: Mon. through Fri. inclusive at 0045Z on 3645 kc.
The late session has been discontinued. WA0PNB,
WA0MFX, K0MZN and K0HYV report a successful
link on RTTY. From reports of classes being conducted
we should have a good group of new operators by the
end of winter. Congratulations to WA0PNB on making
the BPL three months successively. W0ZWL again is
conducting the Weather Net at 1400Z on 3955 kc. Net re-
ports: Morning Net—QNT 385, QTC 15, NJQ Net—QNT
332, QTC 292. Late Session Phone Net—QNT 1171, QTC
43. Total informals on three nets—194. Traffic: WA0-
PNB 762, W0IG 40, WA0LLG 16, W0DYB 6, W0FJZ 3.

DELTA DIVISION

ARKANSAS—SCM, Dennis Schaefer, WA5HS—SEC:
W5PBZ, PAM: WA5PPD, RM: W5NND, WA5TLLS re-
ports that the Monticello emergency center is almost fin-
ished. K5BOC and WA5CAW are new Extras and WA5-
RCK, WA5KQU and WA5TAF passed the Advanced
Class exam. WA5VDH is a new OBS. The contest season
is now in full swing. Let's try to make our section a little
less rare in the operating activities this year. Net re-
ports for Oct.

| Net | Freq. | Time | T/c. | Stations | Mgr |
|-----|-------|-------|------|----------|---------|
| OZK | 3790 | 0100Z | 29 | 235 | W5NND |
| APN | 3885 | 1230Z | 21 | 481 | WA5QM/Q |
| PON | 3925 | 2130Z | 153 | 276 | W5MJO |

Top stations on OZK were W5QOO 29, W5NND 28, WA5NOC 23, K5EDH 21 and WA5TFE 21. Traffic: (Oct.) W5OBD 756, W5NND 128, WA5KEF 66, W5MJO 62, WA5QPI 31, W5ELF 26, W5MYZ 17, WA5LYA 12, WA5OWZ 9, W5PBZ 8, WA5PKO 8, K5TCK 7, WA5TLS 1.

LOUISIANA—SCM, J. Allen Swanson, Jr., W5PM—SEC: W5BUC, 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 |
| CenGCHN | 3935 | Daily | 0015 | WA5NRG |

W5ERR is a new OVS and W5EKF a new OBS. It is with deep regret that we hear that W5LA and Ex-5JJ/W5FUS have joined the ranks of Silent Keys. W5LA helped you truly become a ham some 42 years ago. W5EA spends most of his activity with Army MARS. RM K5ANS/5 says he regrets that through an oversight LAN was not registered in the Net Directory. W5CEZ has recovered from a cataract removal. W5NVID worked 15 states during his first month on the air and on 15. W5HGT, the La. Tech. ARC station, is most active on LAN, according to WA5OHH. WA5QVN says W5NVQ and W5NVQR plan to join the Monroe 6-meter f.m. gang. WA5GIU has a new 6-meter f.m. rig. W5VRC will soon be on with a new rig. W5BUC and his XYL vacationed on Huntsville way. WA5LGO says his operating time has been fouled up by school skeds. The Ozone ARC has moved its meeting site to one offered by the Slidell Civil Defense. Code and theory classes have started. K5JBC, of Covington, was the La. winner of the Washington State QSO Party, while WA5KQN won state honors in the New York QSO Party. If interested in handling traffic on c.w. contact K5ANS/5 in Monroe. W5EXI has started his Annual Novice Roundup classes. W5WUMU made 522 contacts in the recent DX Contest. W5CQF has joined the Extra ranks. Traffic: W5CEZ 115, K5ANS/5 66, W5HGT 55, W5EA 14, WA5QVN 8, WA5-OJG 4.

MISSISSIPPI—Acting SCM, Clifton C. Comfort, WA5KEY—It has been brought to my attention that the Columbia ARC has 100% membership in ARRL. The trick is to charge enough dues in the local club to pay each member's dues in ARRL. The MSBN had the privilege of working a unique liaison with CB radio on Oct. 27 when W4TOH, Pensacola, broke WA5PTE (NCS) and asked for help in contacting fishing boat *Pette*, somewhere off the coast of Mississippi and equipped only with CB radio. The Skipper's son had a 50-50 chance after an emergency operation. WA5KPS Pascagoula, WA5PPS Gulfport, W5BW Biloxi and WA5-JNL New Orleans, contacted local CBers while WA5SEG, WA5OKI and others "rode shotgun." In less than one hour word was passed that Capt. Zanetti was on his way home. More amateurs should attempt to train their local CB clubs in AREC and RACES methods of message-handling "just in case." W5JHS reported that the tornado near his home caused minor damage. There still are many openings for appointments as EC, ORS, and OPS. Check into our nets: Gulf Coast Side Band Net 3925 kc. 2330 GMT daily; W5JHS, net mgr.; Miss. Side Band Net 3947.5 kc. 0015 GMT daily; WA5TUD, net mgr. Traffic: K4RIN/5 84, W5BW 50, WA5JWD 13, WA8WKN/5 7.

TENNESSEE—SCM, Harry A. Phillips, K4RCT—SEC: WA4VJH, RM: WA4YEM. PAMs: W4PFP, WA4-YBT, WA4EWW, WA4CRU.

| Net | Freq. | Days | Time | Sess. | QNI | QTC | Mgr. |
|-------|-------|--------------|-------|--------------|------|-----|--------|
| TSSB | 3980 | Tue.-Sun. | 0030Z | 27 | 1248 | 108 | WA4YBT |
| TPN | 3980 | M-Sat. | 1245 | 31 | 1090 | 117 | W4PFP |
| | | Sun. | 1400 | | | | |
| ETPN | 3980 | M-F. | 1140 | 23 | 626 | 44 | WA4EWW |
| TCN | 3980 | Thurs. | 0200 | 5 (Wed. CST) | | | W4TYV |
| TPO | 3980 | Mon. | 0030 | 4 | 94 | 2 | K4RTA |
| TN | 3635 | Daily | 0100 | 31 | 203 | 111 | WA4YEM |
| TTN | 7290 | Daily | 2200 | 31 | 306 | 62 | WA4CRU |
| ETVHF | 50.4 | Tu.-Th.-Sat. | 0000 | 14 | 189 | 1 | WA4TJJ |
| ETVHF | 145.2 | Wd. & F. | 0000 | 10 | 70 | 1 | WA4TJJ |

All club secretaries are requested to send a list of officers to K4RCT, address page 6. K4RTA is now Ad-

vanced Class. W4FX had his traffic activities curtailed by a gall bladder operation. Everyone should contact his local EC and/or SEC to make plans for group and individual participation in the Simulated Emergency Test Jan. 25-26. All clubs are invited to send a representative to the Tenn. Council Net (TCN) each Wed. night. Contact W4TYV for more information. Traffic: W4OQG 211, WA4EYM 195, WA5QE 169, K4AT 154, W4WBK 82, WA-4UAZ 66, WA4GLS 61, WB4GSS 54, W4KQL 54, WB4-HYY 42, WB4DGI 32, WA4NEC 31, W4PFP 24, WA4-YTG 20, WB4ANX 12, WA4CGK 12, WA4TWL 12, WB4-EHK 10, WA4VW 10, K4LTA 9, W4OQG 8, K4RTA 8, W4TYV 8, WA4EWW 7, W4VJ 7, K4UMW 5, K4AMC 3, W4VJH 3.

GREAT LAKES DIVISION

KENTUCKY—SCM, George S. Wilson, III, W4OYI—SEC: W4VYS. Appointments: W4CID and K4AVX, each as EC and ORS; W4TOY as OPS, OVS, OO and PAM (Owensboro Emergency Net). Endorsements: W4BAZ as RM, K4AVX as OPS. With the passing of WB4BKG was lost one whose conscientious ability left his mark on his every field of effort. His example as PAM of FCATN should inspire us all. WKU and EKV club stations have been most active on the nets. The Owensboro Club proxy is WB4FAY. WA4HFF is now with WCPO-TV. W4JUI was off only 14 kc. in 22 measurements in the FMT, with fine scores by W4RHZ, W4WQZ, WA4AGH and K3-DXX/4. The new Telephone Co. Club in Louisville has 36 with K4QPE as pres.

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|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| KRN | 343 | QNI | 34 | QTC | KTN | 859 | QNI | 161 | QTC |
| MKPN | 427 | | 125 | | KTN | 380 | | 891 | |

Traffic: WA4DYL 1588, W4NLO 718, WA4FYH 333, W4-BAZ 207, WA4AGH 129, WA4VZZ 112, W4NBZ 100, WB-4AIN/4 98, W4UK 91, K4MAN 88, WB4HUS 82, WA-4YWT 77, W4OYI 58, K4HOE 48, WB4FDK 46, WB4EQY 38, K4OEK 34, WB4HQW 31, WB4IZX 28, K4MPT 28, WA4GHU 26, WA4UAZ/4 23, K4AVX 21, WB4EOR 19, WA4UHR 16, K4UMN 16, K4NYO 12, W4VYS 12, W4CDA 11, K4VDO 11, K4FPW 9, WA4GMA/4 7, WA4-VEC 6.

MICHIGAN—SCM, Ralph P. Thetreau, W8FX—SEC: W8MPD. RMs: W8FWQ, W8RTN, WA8OGR, K8KM/Q, W8LXJ. PAMs: K8GOU, K8JED, V.H.F. PAMs: W8C/W, W8YAN. Appointments: W8EJU, W8-IWF, W8J/TQ, K8KM/Q, W8PBO, K8QLL, W8RTN, W8SH, W8UFS as ORS; WA8LRC, W8OQH as OPS; WA8DHP, K8PBA as OVS; K8JED as OBS; WA8CUL as EC. Silent Keys: W8MCC, W8WEK, W8WS, W8AN BPLers: W8LXJ, W8NOH.

| Net | Freq. | Time | Days | QNI | QTC | Sess. | Mgr. |
|----------|-------|------|--------|------|-----|-------|--------|
| QMN | 3663 | 2300 | Dy | 1009 | 642 | 93 | W8FWQ |
| WSSB | 3935 | 2400 | Dy | 914 | 169 | 31 | K8WRJ |
| G.L.E.N. | 3932 | 0230 | Dy | 1010 | 94 | 31 | WA8ONZ |
| PON-DAY | 3935 | 1600 | M-Sat. | 434 | 286 | 27 | K8LNE |
| B/R-MEN | 3930 | 2230 | M-Fri. | 915 | 79 | 27 | W8OWG |
| PON-C.W. | 3645 | 2400 | M-Sat. | 87 | 15 | 26 | VE3DPO |
| M6MTN | 50.7 | 2400 | M-Sat. | 270 | 47 | 27 | WA8LRC |
| UPEN | 3920 | 2230 | Dy | 559 | 65 | 30 | WA8UCD |

New officers: Brasspounders ARC—K8BDI, pres.; W8-FWQ, vice-pres.; K8UPE, secy.-treas.; K8KJL, act. dir. Hills ARS—W8YPB, pres.; WA8ZUW, vice-pres.; WA8TMX, secy.; WA8ELM, treas.; WB8ABN, W8HFM WA8YQM, board. W8MPD and W8AFO have a new son. The K8LNEs now have an adopted daughter a year old. U. OF M. ARC officers are K8QKY, pres.; WB2-FIT, secy.-treas. The Woly. V.H.F. S.S.B. Net is on 50.115 Sun. at 0200, the Noct Net on 50.418 daily at 1600. W8IV says he is moving to Arizona as soon as he sells out. W8EGR is hospitalized. W8JFF, from Ø-Land, now is in Ypsi. WA8PII got an "Outstanding Service award" at the TAWAS Hamfest. W8LL's other hip operation was a success. WA8SYZ is out of the hospital and in the nets. Both the CMARC and SMARA are running ham classes again. K8VQP (W0LDB/8) is back in Plymouth. K8HEW is with USAF Medical in Laredo. SPARS (W8NHJ) operated "spook patrol" on Halloween. WA8VZI is up at Mich. Tech. WA8ZUD is trying out an HA-1200. WA8TLW had successful knee surgery. Ask W8ZKL about his "new design" 2-meter antenna. WA8EMJ is building anew house. Cupid seems to have shot W8YFQ. WA8SIQ finished a new 40-ft. tower—and worked Germany. WA8ZNX is with the army in Alaska. The CMARC had a nice hobby show. Ask K8YRD about the desk phone he built into a slick monitoring device. Traffic: (Oct.) W8IXJ 627, WA8SQC 474, K8KM/Q 317, W8NOH 268, K8ZJU 256, K8LNE 241, W8J/TQ 215, W8DET 204, W8GAI 162, W8IHD 129, W8OQK 117, K8-JED 94, W8UM 76, WA8OGR 72, W8RTN 69, WA8UPB 68, K8HKM 61, K8GOU 58, WA8ZAV 42, W8FX 40,

W81V 37, W8UFS 35, WA8LRC 34, W8YAN 31, WA8KRH 28, W8BEZ 21, W8IUC 17, WA8ONZ 17, W8MO 16, W8CUP 15, W8TBP 15, WA8ZPH 14, W8IWF 13, W8FWQ 12, WA8MGM 12, W8WB 11, W8VGO 11, W8OWG 9, W8AUD 8, K8VDA 8, W8EU 6, W8OQH 6, W8HKT 3, WA8VBL 2, W8MPD 1, W8SS 1, (Sept.) K8HKM 150, W8PEB 38, WA8QCW 13, WA8LRC 10, W8SS 2.

OHIO—SCM, Richard A. Egbert, W8ETU—Asst. SCM: Roger Barnett, K8DDG. SEC: W8OOU. RM: W8IML. PAM: K8UBK. V.H.F. PAM: WA8ADU. Oct. traffic reports:

| Net | QNI | QTC | Sess. | Freq. | Time | Mgr. |
|--------|------|-----|-------|--------|--------------|--------|
| OSSBN | 1555 | 743 | 58 | 3972.5 | 1530 & 2345Z | K8UBK |
| BN | 613 | 443 | 61 | 3550 | 0000 & 0300Z | W8IMI |
| QSN | 193 | 70 | 29 | 3580 | 2325Z | WA8VNU |
| 06MtrN | 338 | 94 | 30 | 50.6 | 0000Z | WA8ADU |

BPL in Oct. was made by W8UPH, WA8AUZ and W8LT. Net certificates went to (BN) W8IUS and W8ETU; (OSN) WA8CZS, WA8BZR, WA8UTX, WA8TRE, WA8UPL, WA8NTA, WA8CXY, W8IMI, WA8VNU, K8DDG and W8GCV. OSSBN daytime session has a new manager, WA8KXR. Asst. mgr. is WA8DWL. Contralutions to new Extras K8WVZ, K8VCW and W8ZNG, and to new Advanced K8LFI, WA8VBS, W8DYF, K8QEW, W8DRW and WA8DRL. Oct. appointments: W8DYF as OBS; W8BLE as OO; WA8GR, WA8GPX as OVSS; W8ELE as OPS; WA8ULF, W8GOE, WA8GRR, W8IUS as ORS. New officers of the Lancaster and Fairfield Co. ARC are WA8SSI, pres.; WA8WFL, vice-pres.; WA8VCV, secy.; WA8SSJ, treas. OO W8QMT helps out local nets in checking their frequency, new rigs, etc. Herb's "Basement Lab" is well known to local hams who are interested in getting dope on their signals before putting them on the air in general use. WA8FLD copied facsimile transmissions from Nimbus weather satellites while they were in operation. Al used the equipment described in Nov. 1965 QST, and expects to resume activity when Nimbus IV is launched in May. W8BU reports 100 mile QSOs with 100-Mw. International crystal OX-L oscillators costing \$2.35 less the crystal. K8WVZ reports that the Henry Co. RACES is in business on 53.36-Mc. f.m. First exercise was the Spook Patrol with six mobiles in operation. The fall meeting of the Ohio Council of Amateur Radio Clubs was attended by representatives of 24 clubs, nets and other groups. The next meeting will be held Mar. 1, 1969 in Columbus. I attended the Second ARPSC Conference in Toledo Oct. 19. NTS and AREC/RACES personnel from Ohio, Mich. and Va. were in attendance. W8RYP, W8CHT and K8LFI did a dandy job of organizing the meeting. The next meeting will be held in W. Va. next fall. I attended the very enjoyable pre-Sweepstakes meeting of the Miami Valley Amateur Radio Contest Society Oct. 23. These contesters split their club into two groups competing against each other to enhance the SS battle. January is Simulated Emergency Test month. ECs and AREC members, as well as NTS personnel, should have their plans all laid by now. ECs would do well to contact the Section Net Managers and find out what the SET schedules are and plan to work both the local and long-haul operations together. Traffic: (Oct.) W8UPH 1688, WA8AUZ 551, W8RYP 343, W8SZU 241, W8LT 239, W8IMI 228, W8QZK 141, WA8VNU 126, W8FGD 118, WA8UTX 117, WA8OCG 109, W8ERD 103, WA8ULF 100, W8IJK 95, WA8SE 96, W8CHT 95, W8GVC 95, WA8AJZ 87, W8QCU 86, W8LRE 81, W8SUS 73, K8UBK 73, K8UDG 71, WA8CXV 70, WA8FSX 70, K8ONA 69, WA8CXY 67, WA8ZG 64, W8PMJ 60, W8IUS 56, WA8WJR 51, W8EFB 50, W8SZU 50, WA8ADU 49, K8BYR 46, WA8LAM 46, WA8DUL 45, W8GOE 44, K8QYR 42, W8OUU 38, WA8RQ 36, W8ETU 32, WA8MHO 32, WA8DWL 29, WA8YHN 27, W8IEH 26, WA8SH 26, WA8VYP 25, W8BRED 25, WA8PPK 25, WA8UTX 24, K8LXA 22, W8BBH 20, WA8QFK 20, WA8RWK 20, W8UX 19, K8DDG 18, K8LFI 18, W8OES 18, W8ELE/8 17, K8VCW 17, K8CKY 15, W8FRV 15, W8HNP 13, W8LAG 11, WA8NTA 11, WA8SKI 11, W8QXJ 10, W8LZE 9, WA8GRR 8, WA8GZE 8, W8WND 8, W8YGR 8, W8GRT 6, WA8UXL 6, WA8COA 5, WA8KPN 5, WA8UPI 5, W8WFG 5, W8A8ZJ 4, K8EKJ 4, W8VVL 4, WA8WTK 4, K8WZI 4, W8ZNC 4, W8ERQ 3, WA8LEM 3, W8DYF 2, (Sept.) WA8RWK 40, W8QXQ 38, K8WKS 21, W8EIK 3.

HUDSON DIVISION

EASTERN NEW YORK—SCM, Graham G. Berry, K2SJJ—Asst. SCM and RM: Ruth Rice, WA2VYS, SEC: W2KGC. PAM: WB2VJB. Section nets: NYS, 3675 kc. nightly at 0001Z; ESS, 3590 kc. nightly at 2300Z; NYSPT&EN, 3925 kc. nightly at 2300Z. Appointments and renewals: WA2JWL as EC for Westchester County, WB2RBG as OPS and OVS, K2AJA as ORS, WA2VYT as OPS and ORS. Sorry to lose two County ECs who have left ENY—WB2FBX and K2GCH. W2HZZ takes over Dutchess County. Club activities: Niskayuna HS is

building a 6-meter rig and reports WB2WDH, pres.; WB2DUO, vice-pres.; WB2EUQ treas.; and WA2CRW, secy. Other school clubs are requested to get in touch re a possible HS net. The WARA had WA2FJL present a demonstration on slow-scan. TV equipment at its Oct. meeting. Note: The WARA Tech. Net now meets at 28,650 Mc. Tue. at 8 p.m. local. Hudson Council (HARC) officers for '69 include K2SJO, pres., and K2IES as director. The Harmonic Hills RL was visited by Division Director W2TUK, Vice-Director K2SJO, the SCM and Asst. SCM at its Oct. meeting. Net activities: the NYS met eyeball at the Division Convention in Tarrytown and reports the issuance of many Section Net certificates this quarter to qualified members. 2RN also met at Tarrytown. The ENY and WNY traffic-handlers met on an informal but helpful basis at Tarrytown, too. NYSPT&EN still is keeping the QNI count high month after month. W2MXH was the honor station for the last report period with 29 check-ins out of a possible 30. Individual activities: Congrats to W2CPN on 50 years of being licensed. In the recent official Frequency Measuring Test, WIUYK/1, WA2BUC and K2BIG all racked up fine scores. Congratulations to all. Welcome to WN2EHO, checking in via mail while away at school in Mass. WB2YQU reports the Oct. sunspot storm and aurora kept things jumping on v.h.f., as did WB2GXF. He's still looking for an early A.M. sked on 145.080. WB2RBG reports hearing VE2, VE3 and Ws 1.2,3.8 and 9 on 50 Mc. during the aurora and working three W4s in Florida during the Oct. 29-30 opening. Your ENY staff enjoyed meeting a number of people, too many to list, at the HARC Convention in Tarrytown. Traffic: (Oct.) WA2VYS 184, WA2VYT 83, W2ANV 47, W2ODC 42, K2SJJ 35, WB2RBG 27, WA2BUF 26, WB2FOA 26, W2TPV 22, WB2CRW 21, WB2VEQ 17, WB2VJB 17, WA2WGS 9, WA2BUC 1. (Sept.) WB2VJB 25.

NEW YORK CITY AND LONG ISLAND—SCM, Blaine S. Johnson, K2IDB—Asst. SCM: Fred J. Brunjes, K2DGL. SEC: K2OVN. PAM: W2EW.

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| NLI* | 3630 kc. | 1915/2200 Nightly | WA2UWA RM |
| NLIVHF* | 1458 Mc. | 1930 MTWTF | WB2RQF PAM |
| NLIPhone* | 3932 kc. | 1600 Daily | WB2ZET PAM |
| Clear Hse | 3925 kc. | 1100 Daily | WA2GPT Mgr. |
| Mic Farad | 3925 kc. | 1300 Ex. Sun. | K2UBG Mgr. |
| East U.S. | 3683 kc. | 6001 Nightly | K2UBG Mgr. |
| All Svc | 3925 kc. | 1300 Sun. | K2AAS Mgr. |
| NYSTEN | 3925 kc. | 1800 Daily | K2AAS Mgr. |

*Section nets. All times shown above are local. WB2BDJ/2 picked up loads of traffic at the Brookhaven National Lab's "Open House." A priority message came into the Clearing House Net last month; it was weak, but the entire net stood by and struggled to copy it. A New Jersey RACES operator was critically injured and the need for blood was urgent. The net fanned out immediately to about 20 more nets and within 24 hours they had more donors than necessary. The magic of amateur radio working again? No! Just a bunch of traffic-handlers taking care of one of several similar emergencies that occur in the average traffic net throughout the year. Nothing magical about it; they simply wrote another paragraph in the history of amateur radio's contribution to public service. Wouldn't you like your station to be part of this chapter? Then get thee hence to a traffic net, doggone it! Congratulations to WA2GLR, who just passed the General Class exam but still likes the wood old 6-meter ground-wave stuff on a cold winter night. W2EW is using an Ameco 2-meter converter on the HQ-150 and has a TX62 to match. We were sorry to learn that W2ER has joined the ranks of the Silent Keys. W2BCB claims he has the old rig all fired up for phone operation nowadays. The 21st Annual QCWA Dinner was held Oct. 25, 1968, with W4VI as the guest speaker. Another 35 fifty-year awards were given out, raising the total to 267 issued since 1964. WB2PTS has two new antennas up for chasing DX on 10 and 15 meters. WB2THL won the Flatbush RC's WAS contest with his trusty old R4-T4X combo. The XYL over at W2UAL's locked up all the mikes and keys then showed him where the paint brushes were stashed. K2UYG completed his Ph.D. last summer and then in the fall journeyed to London with 25 other Ws to attend the annual FOC Dinner. The Massapequa RC now meets at C.D. Headquarters over in Massapequa Park. Officers of the Kings County RC are W2MBU, vice-pres.; WB2YPN, secy.-treas.; WB2NDI, communications mgr. The Kings County RC meets the 1st Mon. of the month at the Brooklyn Public Library at Grand Army Plaza. W2AML, W2AFMN and WA2QBB are new stations on the NLIVHF Net. Congratulations to WA2EYV, who passed the Advanced Class exam. The same goes for WB2QFV, who passed the Advanced also. Happy New Year one and all! Traffic: WA2GPT 271, K2UBG 174, K2UAT 110, K2AAS 36, WB2PJH 29, W2DBQ 24, WA2RUI 22, W2WEG 20, W2ZEC 16, WB2YKU 13, W2BCB 12, WA2GRT 10, W2PF 10, WA2LJS 9, W2WCBS 8, WA2EMP 7, W2LJK

4, WB2PTS 4, WB2DXM 2, WB2QLL 1, WA2QJU 1, WB2THL 1.

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY—SCM, Louis J. Amoroso, W2ZZ—Asst. SCM: Edward F. Erickson; W2CVW. SEC: WA2ASM.

ARPSO Section Net Schedules.

| Net | Freq. | Time | Days | Sess. | QNI | Tfc. | Mgr. |
|--------|-------------|-----------|--------|-------|-----|------|--------|
| NJN | 3695 kc. | 7:00 P.M. | Dy | 31 | 440 | 483 | WB2DDQ |
| NJNSN | 3740 kc. | 8:00 P.M. | Dy | 10 | 34 | 6 | WB2RKK |
| NJEPTN | 3828 kc. | 6:00 P.M. | M-Sat. | 31 | 505 | 180 | W2FEV |
| NJPON | 3930 kc. | 6:00 P.M. | Sun. | 4 | 83 | 17 | WA2TEK |
| NJAN | 50,300 kc. | 8:00 P.M. | M-F | 24 | 384 | 46 | WA2KZF |
| PVTEN | 145,710 kc. | 7:30 P.M. | Dy | 31 | 362 | 96 | K2KQD |
| ECTN | 146,700 kc. | 9:00 P.M. | Dy | 31 | 306 | 101 | WA2TEK |

RM: WB2DDQ and WB2RKK, PAMs: W2PEV, K2-KDQ, WA2KZF, WA2TBS and WA2TEK. New appointment: WA2CRF as OVS.. Endorsements: WA2ASM as EC for Plainfield. W2CVW, K2DEL, K2KQD as OVSs. W2BSC as OPS and ORS. W2JDH as OO and WB2-ZSH as ORS. New club officers of the Fairlawn ARC are WA2WYW, pres.; WN2EGR, vice-pres.; W2NPF, treas. The N.J. Phone Net Dinner had another good turnout. W2ZJ used the occasion to turn the net manager's job over to W2PEV after 14 years on the job. WB2MEE added the SB-200 to his gear. WA2EZZ now is using a TX-60. WA2DZE has a new Swan 400. WA2-AMM is building the HW-100. K2DEL has a new TR-4. The TA-33 and 75-meter dipole make up the antenna farm. K2KQD is on 2-meter RTTY and looking for QSOs between his net sessions. WB2RKK made the national high score in the recent N.Y. QSO Party. W2TUK, with W2ZZ, presented the affiliation charter to W2FCL. WB2MZX joined Air Force MARS. WB2DRJ received his WAC. WN2EPI has 14 worked for his DXCC on 15 using his DX-60. K2PPZ, WA2CCF, WB2CZM and WB2JRC submitted measurements for the Sept. FMT. Congratulations to the following on moving up a grade: WN2GIE to Tech.; WA2DMI to General; W2-DLT, W2ISK, WA2KNS, WB2FUV and WB2RUM to Advanced; W2MPP and WB2UW to Extra. WB2RUM is building an answerback for his RTTY. WA2DMI now is using the HX-10. WB2RKK is looking for additional NCSs for his NJSN. All N.J. nets will be active for the SET operation. We hope everyone reading this will send a message to the SEC or your local EC to let him know you are participating. Thank you for keeping me another two years. I will continue to do my best but I need your reports. Hope to hear you in the SET. Traffic: (Oct.) WA2IGQ 897, WB2DDQ 936, WB2RKK 328, WB2-NSY 188, WA2TEK 164, WA2TBS 154, K2KQD 90, WA2TAF 90, WA2AMY 80, W2EWZ 76, WB2ZSH 63, WA2DQE 58, WB2ZBI 56, W2ZZ 54, WA2ACJ 52, WB2-BXK 50, WA2AMM 47, WB2VLC 38, WB2WNZ 33, W2PEV 29, K2ZFI 29, WB2YPC 28, WA2ACP 20, WA2-CRF 20, WB2YXY 17, WA2CLO 14, WA2NJB 13, WA2-GLI 12, WA2KZF 12, K2DEL 10, K2MPX 9, WB2BKC 8, WN2CWU 8, WB2HCS 7, W2TFM 6, W2JDH 4, K2-JSJ 4, WB2DRJ 2, K2EQP 2, WB2RUM 1. (Sept.) WB2TUL 102, WB2AMY 37, WB2YPC 22, WA2ACP 9, K2EAB 8, WB2BXC 7, WA2KOS 6, WB2CLI 1, WN2-GIE 1.

MIDWEST DIVISION

IOWA—SCM, Wayne L. Johnson, K0MEX—SEC: K0LYB. PAM: W0PZO. RM: W0LGG. OBSS: W0-LCX, W0JAC, WA0MIT. Official Bulletins are sent from W0LCX on 3560 kc. just before the Tall Corn Net. Mon., Wed. and Fri. evenings. New officers of the North Iowa Club are WA0IRP, pres.; WA0NYU, vice-pres.; K0YFU, secy.-treas.; W0KUS, act. mgr. The Cedar Valley Club has installed a permanent 50-Mc. groundplane for emergency work and initiated it assisting the Cedar Rapids Police Dept. on Halloween. W0-EIT reports twelve cars with transceivers were involved. W0PEP observed good aurora on Nov. 2 and worked a K1, a VE6 and heard a KL7. WA0OTE says that ISU has slowed him down some, but he has 152 confirmed with 167 worked. W0MOW, K0AKQ and K0MKD par-

ticipated in the Sept. FMT. WN0SWQ has joined the WAVES. The Annual SET comes up in Jan. There still are a few EC vacancies. K0LYB would like full participation and complete coverage of the state. Can Iowa improve on last year's score and perhaps lead the nation? ECs: Please make Gregg happier than he is already! Happy New Year.

| Net | Freq. | Day | GMT | QNI | QTC | Mgr. |
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| Iowa 75 | 3970 | M-Sat. | 1830 | 1093 | 138 | W0PZO |
| Iowa SSB | 3970 | M-Sat. | 2359 | | | W0LYB |
| Iowa 160 | 1815 | Daily | 0100 | 610 | 12 | K0TDO |
| TLCN | 3560 | Daily | 0030 | 140 | 57 | K0AZJ |
| PON | 3915 | W & F | 0030 | 168 | 28 | WA0DYV |
| PON | | Tue. & Sat. | 0030 | 43 | 7 | WA0DYV |

Traffic: (Oct.) W0LCX 873, W0LGG 82, WA0SDC 49, WA0SRM 38, WA0DYV 32, K0TDO 30, K0TFT 18, WA0AIW 12, WA0JUT 12, WA0QZL 2. (Sept.) W0LGG 177.

KANSAS—SCM, Robert M. Summers, K0BXT—SEC: K0EMB. PAMs: WA0MLE, WA0JFV. PAM: K0JMF. V.H.F. PAMs: WA0CCW, WA0LSH. Silent Key: W0-ONH passed away Nov. 3. Our deepest sympathy to his family. Let's welcome W0CHJ, Junction City, back to the ham bands after a lapse of several years. New OPS: WA0SHG, Shawnee Mission. On the sick list: WA0BHG, net mgr. HBN, heart attack. Same W0VRZ. WA0RKY is recuperating. New EC appointee for Zone 1 is WA0OZP, Hiawatha.

| Net | Mgr. | Freq. | Days | Time | CST | QNI | QTC | Sess. |
|---------|--------|--------|-----------|------|--------------------|-----|-----|-------|
| KWN | WA0LLC | 3920 | Daily | | 1800 | 685 | 175 | 30 |
| KSBM | K0JMF | 3920 | Mon.-Sat. | | 1830 | 720 | 275 | 30 |
| KPN | " | " | M-W-F | | 0645 | 120 | 11 | 7 |
| | | | Sun. | | 0800 | | | |
| Kans PI | WA0CCW | 145.34 | Sat. | | Varies per section | 54 | 2 | 7 |
| EC Net | WA0CCW | 3920 | Sun. | | 1300 | 41 | 1 | 4 |
| HBN | WA0BHG | | | | | 444 | 78 | 23 |

The Zone 14 AREC/Rag Chew Net now is back on Sun. at 2 P.M. on 3920. Kansas Novices still are needed. QNI QKN 7160 kc. 2100Z Sun. and 2300Z on 3735 kc. Wed. on 7160 kc. at 2300Z. RM WA0JEN invites all classes not just Novices. Other V.H.F. Nets, including Zones 7, 9, 11, Coffeyville 2-Meter Net and ACARA, 210 QNI, 12 QTC from combined 22 sessions. Zone 11 reports 75 QNI and 8 QTC in 4 sessions. Traffic: W0LXA 289, W0INH 218, WA0LLC 189, WA0NPF 176, K0HJ 172, WA0-LBB 127, K0JMF 118, K0BXF 113, K0DVN 74, K0J-LD 70, W0QQQ 62, W0CCZ 51, W0BGX 48, WA0OZP 45, W0FDI 39, WA0SHG 32, K0LPE 31, WA0OWH 30, WA0CCW 25, K0GII 23, K0GZP 23, W0FII 17, WA0-JOG 17, W0SFP 14, K0UVH 13, WA0KPE 10, W0ICV 9, W0QAQ 6, W0DHC 4, W0LYC 2.

KANSAS WEEK AWARD

January 26-Feb. 2, 1969

Work Kansas for the Kansas Week Award, sponsored by the Jayhawk Amateur Radio Society of Kansas City, Kansas. The event begins at 0001 GMT January 26, 1969 and ends at 0600 GMT February 2, 1969. Kansas stations contact 25 out-of-state stations. The rest of the U.S. work 10 Kansas stations and DX stations work 3 Kansas stations. Send full log data (plus an s.a.s.c.) to the Jayhawk Amateur Radio Society, Box 1144, Kansas City, Kansas, 66117

MISSOURI—SCM, Alfred E. Schwaneke, W0GS—SEC: W0BUL. K0AEM renewed EC appointment for St. Louis and St. Louis Co. K0JPL renewed as OPS, and WA0FKD and K0RPH as ORS and OPS. WA0-ELM has resigned as mgr. of MTTN, and has received ORS and OPS appointments. A new manager is needed. The net met on 3940 at 5 P.M. (2300Z) Mon. to Fri. New officers of the UMR ARC (W0EEE) are WA0-NOK, pres.; WA0PQR, vice-pres.; WA0HQR, secy.; WA0RHM, treas.; WA0ACF, station mgr. W0EEE has a new operating console. WA0EBS and K0GXZ are new members of the St. Louis ARC (K0LIR). Clay Co. RACES held an emergency exercise in October with 17 operators active. K0ONK has returned from U. of Denver, where she attended a theatre workshop and also performed for KRMA-TV. W0AMO, while vacationing

SWITCH TO SAFETY!



next Sept. The MVAREC held its annual banquet in Concord with Assistant Director W1CNC as guest speaker. The Manchester Radio Club, W1EPM, says the recent auction helped the treasury. It is with regret that I have to report the passing of W1PZA. W1YWC has a new 18AVQ. W1UXE has a new home in Hampton by the sea. W1LOO and K1JFQ are heard often on the 75-meter nets. W1RCC is working lots of DX on 10 meters. Traffic: W1I1H 179, K1PQV 81, W1YMJ 12, W1BYS 2.

RHODE ISLAND—SCM, John E. Johnson, K1AAV—SEC: K1LII, RM: W1BTV, PAM: W1TXL, V.H.F. PAM: K1TPK, Endorsement: K1QFD as ORS. RISP report: 31 sessions, 408 QNI, 83 traffic. A meeting was held at the home of W1BTV to discuss problems affecting the Rhode Island Traffic Nets. The following LOs were present: W1TXL, K1NJT, W1JFF, K1TPK, W1YK and K1AAV. The W1AQ Club of Rumford will begin a class covering the requirements for the Advance Class license. Members will hold the class every Fri. night before the club meeting. Club treasurer K1LII announced his engagement to be married in Apr. and the club wishes him the best. W1AICQ made contact with the Recovery Ship *Essex* during the recent space flight. W1EEJ is now attending school in Boston and can be heard on the air from that location. All clubs and hams are invited to send information on their activities to the SCM. The NCRC of Newport held another successful auction, according to members W1JFF and W1TXL. Traffic: W1TXL 167, W1BTV 90, K1VYC 45, K1TPK 37, W1EEJ 15, K1QFD 6.

VERMONT—SCM, E. Reginald Murray, K1MPN—

| Net | Freq. | Time | Days | QNI | QTC | N. Mgr. |
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| Gr. Mt. | 3855 | 2230Z | M-S | | | W1VMC |
| Vt. Pone | 3855 | 1430Z | Sun. | 108 | — | W1EDI |
| VENH | 3685 | 2330Z | M-F | | | K1UZG |
| VTCD | 3990½ | 1500Z | Sun. | 45 | 6 | W1AD |
| Carrier | 3865 | 1400Z | M-F | 202 | 0 | W1KDK |
| VTSB | 3909 | 2230Z | M-S | 778 | 109 | KL7DVE/1 |
| | | 1330Z | Sun. | | | |

Welcome to new Novices W1KDJ (N. Hero), W1KDN (Rutland) and congrats to W1KEN (Rutland). W1MRW was first for Vt. in the N.Y. QSO Party. W1KJG is gearing up for 2-meter f.m. The 2-meter f.m. group rendered valuable assistance reporting election returns in the state. New officers of the BARC are W1DQO, pres.; W1SOV, treas.; F. Hall, Secy.; W1-

VERMONT QSO PARTY

February 8-9, 1969

All Amateurs are invited to participate in the Vermont QSO Party, sponsored by the Central Vermont Amateur Radio Club.

Rules: 1) Time, the 28-hour period from 2300 GMT Feb. 8 to 0300 GMT Feb. 10. 2) No power restrictions, all bands can be used and contact credit with the same station on different bands and/or modes will be given. 3) Vermont stations score 1 point per contact and multiply by the number of ARRL sections and foreign countries worked. Outside stations score 3 points per Vermont station and multiply by the number of Vermont counties worked on each band. 4) Certificates will be awarded to the highest scoring station in each ARRL section, plus a trophy to the highest scoring station outside Vermont. A trophy will also be awarded to the top Vermont scorer, with 2nd, 3rd and 4th place stations receiving a gold-trimmed certificate. The W-VT (Worked Vermont) certificate will be awarded stations working 13 out of Vermont's 14 counties, provided the station has not previously been issued this award. A special certificate too, for multiplier stations. 5) Suggested frequencies: 3685 3855 3909 7030 7240 7290 14,040 14,290 14,325 21,050 21,375 28,100 28,600 50,250 50,360 144-144.5 145.8, and Novice frequencies. 6) Vermont stations send number of QSO, report and county. Others send QSO number, report and section. 7) General call to be used "CQ VT" on c.w. and "Calling any Vermont station" on phone. 8) Logs should be postmarked no later than March 31 and sent to the CVARC, c/o E. Reg Murray K1MPN, 3 Hillcrest Drive, Montpelier, Vermont 05602. Stations sending as s.a.s.e. will receive a copy of the results.

VSA, K1PPW and W1PCF, trustees. Happy New Year. Traffic: K1BQB 391, W1FRT 51, K1MPN 40, W1MRW 30, W1GKS 5, W1KDK 4.

WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS—SCM, Norman P. Forest, W1STR—RM: W1DVV. Bob reports attendance up for Oct. with 156 QNI and 169 messages. He was happy to have W1IHI, of Worcester, calling in. Also, W1BVR is back after power line voltage troubles almost wiped out his whole station. The "high ten" were in the following order: W1DVV-30, W1ZPB-24, W1JHZ-19, K1WZY-17, W1STR-14, W1KX/ex-W1MNG-13, W1BVR-11, W1ZOB-7, W1ZEL-7, W1IHI and W1YK-4. This was out of a possible 31 scheduled sessions. WMN would enjoy more QNIs so why not give it a try. W1ZPB is doing a fine job at Mt. Hermon with 10 new prospective and 6 Novices from last year. W1FI was speaker of the evening at the Oct. CMARAI Club meeting on the topic "One to One SWR—What does it mean?" W1MNG now has the call W1KX. K1PMA has a new mobile rig. W1CJG has a new quad. W1ADNB is now on s.s.b. with a Swan. The HCRAI v.h.f. group will operate from the top of Provin Mountain this year, courtesy of WWLP, Channel 22, and hopes to beat the Talcott Mountain Club, just across the border in Connecticut. The VARC has a new hour for its Sun. night net, which is now at 8 p.m. local time on 29.000 Mc. K1YQQ should be back to work by this time after a long siege in the hospital. After 32 years in the Postal Service W1LON expects to retire on Mar. 1 and has a new basement shack for comfort. Traffic: W1EOB 222, W1ZPB 204, W1DVV 146, K1WZY 42, W1IHI 40, W1BVR 37, W1KX 32, W1JHZ 18, W1IC 16, W1STR 16, W1UPH 14, W1IAU 11, W1ABW 2.

NORTHWESTERN DIVISION

ALASKA—SCM, Albert F. Weber, KL7AEQ—Via *NARC News* we hear that the Novice and General classes are going right along three nights a week. The classes in Fairbanks still are going along, and the first of the new crop of licensees will be showing up very soon. It's interesting to note that this bunch is ninety percent from the ranks of the CBers, at their request. KL7FON has been making so many trips to Prudhoe Bay, via Fairbanks, that we are beginning to wonder if he doesn't have a bit of oil land staked out up there that he hasn't said anything about. KL7JW and KL7FHN have caught the slow-scan bug, and are trying to infect the world with it. Amchitka Island seems to be getting a bit of a ham population with KL7GKA and KL7GFN operating from there. Traffic: KL7CAH 167.

IDAHO—SCM, Donald A. Crisp, W7ZNN—SEC: K7THX. The FARM Net convenes week days on 3935 kc. at 0200 GMT. W7DPD was elected sheriff. K7ORA is moving to Pocatello. W7GHT is a PAN check-in. W7IRA is moving to Pocatello. K7ORJ was elected "Ham of the Year" at the Idaho Amateurs, Inc., meeting at Boise and K7YUX and K7JSD were elected directors. Other officers elected are W7HOV, pres.; K7PKD, vice-pres.; W7ORJ, secy.-treas. W7KWO is a new ham in Lewiston. W7IFG has a first phone license. K7ORA was elected net mgr. of the FARM Net and W7ZNN was elected chief net control. W7AXL is organizing a Search and Rescue Squad in Fremont County. FARM Net report for Oct.: 24 sessions, 952 check-ins, 78 traffic handled. Traffic: W7BDD 87, W7GHT 81, W7AXL 6, W7ZNN 6, K7CSL 4.

MONTANA—SCM, Joseph A. D'Arcy, W7TYN—SEC: W7RZY. RM: W7DMA. PAM: W7ROE.

| Net | Freq. | Time | Days | QNI | QTC | Mgr. |
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| Mont Traffic Net | 3910 | 0000 | M-F | 488 | 138 | W7ROE |
| Mont PON | 3950 | 1515 | Sun. | | | W7PWY |
| Mont Section Net | 3950 | 1700 | Sun. | 42 | 4 | |
| Big Sky Net | 146.76 | 0200 | Sun. | | | WA7FLG |

The Butte Club has started republishing its *T-ler* paper. The club also is going to move into a new club room in the County Court House. W6MDDL is now on with an f.m. 2-meter rig. The state hams are saddened with the passing of W7JDZ. K7PKV is building a home and shop in the Great Falls area. Remember to check into the State RACES Net the 1st and 3rd Sun. of each month. 3990.5 is the frequency. We still are in need of more help in the state ARRL. If you are interested write your SCM and we will get you started. As you can tell from this column we also need more news of activities in the state. Have your club secretary write me on activities in your area. Traffic: K7YLR 14, K7EGJ 13, W7TZR 10, W7FIS 1.

OREGON—SCM, Dale T. Justice, K7WWR/WA7-KTV—RM: W7ZFH. PAM: K7RQZ. Section net reports: W7ZFH reports for the OSN for Oct., sessions 23, check-ins 125, traffic 29, WA7AHW reports for the AREC Net, sessions 31, maximum number of counties 23, check-ins 1003, traffic 30, contacts 122, QSTs 5, K7IFG reports for the BSN, sessions 60, traffic 161 and check-ins 1262. New appointment: W7LXR as OPS. Russ has a three-element quad on 40 meters beamed south. K7EWY, W7FHX and W7GTW have been hunting deer. WA7GFS is working Japan on 15 meters, but is looking for a better antenna to work into Europe. WA7JAU and WA7-JAV are now General Class. K7AXP is now Advanced Class. K7RQZ is doing some temporary EC duty in Deschutes County. WA7FTN made 605 telephone relays into S.E. Asia during the month. W7JJKQ is operating from Forest Grove. W7YIX is a new call in Grants Pass. Traffic: K7RQZ 654, K7OUF 201, K7IFG 132, W7ZFH 50, WA7AHW 32, K7WWR 23, W7DEM 16, WA7 GFS 12, W7MLJ 9, WA7FTN 1.

WASHINGTON—SCM, William R. Watson, W7BQ—SEC: W7UWT. RM: K7CTP. PAM: W7BUN.

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| WSN | 3590 kc. Daily | 0245Z QNI | 335 QTC | 230 Sess. | 30 |
| NTN | 3970 kc. Daily | 1930Z QNI | 896 QTC | 577 Sess. | 30 |
| WARTS | 3970 kc. Daily | 0200Z QNI | 1462 QTC | 289 Sess. | 30 |
| NSN | 3700 kc. Daily | 0400Z QNI | 347 QTC | 98 Sess. | 31 |

Plans for the 1969 SET exercises are well underway. Coordination with the local chapter of the American Red Cross is an important part of this exercise. ECs will use 3930 kc. for liaison to the SEC; traffic nets will operate on 3970 kc. for phone and 3590 kc. for c.w. As usual, the NTS will operate continuously during the exercises. Plans are underway for an early filing of the State License Plate Bill in the Washington Legislature to have our \$5.00 fee reinstated. New appointment: W7FQE as ORS. We regret the passing of W7DDI, of Bremerton. W7GVC now is the proud owner of a 25-year ARRL pin. W7DP helped with mobile equipment during halloween. W7PUL and W7AXT both report matching networks for 1:1 ratio on any band. W7LEU, Mgr. of NSN, recommends the net for those who want to start building up their code speed and learn traffic-handling fundamentals. W7UU suggests efforts to upgrade quality of message traffic against quantity. K7OXL, W7AFS and W7MCW all returned from Oct. vacations. W7MCW kept daily contact with home via mobile W7AXT and W7FI have both accepted nomination for WSN Manager. WA7-EYN is now regular NCS on RN7. The SRA reports a new trailer for its 2- and 5-kw. generators available for emergencies and exercises. W7OEB and W7WCW make weather broadcasts each morning over their local radio stations with information taken from the NW Weather Net. The Rodeo City Club took 1st place in FD for Washington with 1 transmitter. The Tacoma Club was on hand with 11 transmitters. Our best wishes to all in 1969. Traffic: W7BA 2301, WA7HKR 572, W7ZIW 554, WA7DZL 519, W7DZX 471, W7AXT 298, W7KZ 295, W7PI 245, K7CTP 212, WA7BZY 202, W7LEU 122, W7BQ 113, WA7EYN 103, K7KPA 89, W7AAO 87, W7MCW 82, W7BTB 69, WA7EDQ 56, W7AFS 53, WA7ACQ 50, W7-HMA 48, W7GYF 47, WA7BDB 46, W7BUN 46, K7NWS 42, W7OEB 42, K7JXO 39, W7RXH 39, W7GVC 36, WA7GNF 33, K7THG 31, WA7JBM 25, WA7HSJ 22, W7-JWJ 20, K7TCY 20, WA7CYY 17, K7LRL 15, W7AIB 14, W7UU 14, K7OXL 13, WA7ILC 11, W7UWT 9, K7MGA 8, W7ZHZ 7, K7YFJ 5, W7FQE 2, W7PUL 2.

PACIFIC DIVISION

EAST BAY—SCM, Richard Wilson, K6LRN—Appointees as of Nov. 1, 1968: OOs—W6OJW, W6EY, W6-CBF, WA6AGA, ORS—W6IDY, W6TYM, W6UZX, W6FHE, K6PMG, W6BDHH, OBS—WA6UFW, W6-LGW, OVS—WA6AGA. If your call isn't mentioned and you think it should have been, please contact me. There are plenty of vacant appointments. The requirements are outlined in the *Handbook and Operating an Amateur Station*. The job of SCM also is open. I have held this position for almost five years and feel it is time for a change. W6BDHH is working on an S.S.B. Exciter and RTTY gear. W6OJW is getting close to phone DXCC with "only" 8 more to go. W6CBF has set up at Ross-moor and made over 10k points in the Oct. CD Party. WA6AGA reports the W6CX repeater has a new transmitting antenna. W6BBS and W6TCCG are new on the W6CX repeater. WA6ANE joined the W6AAE repeater. K4RAD/6 has applied for an OO appointment and is waiting a 6 call for his Berkeley QTH. WA6CWI, W6BZUX, WA6ILD, W6LBT, WA6VIL, W6LAD, W6LNT, W6LNUH, W6LNUK and W6VLUG are new calls in the East Bay section. WA6ILD has an appropriate QTH on Voltaire St. (his current "Ohm" has much potential) ugh! Last time I tried to be funny I got into trouble, so please send some news items, station

activities—anything. NCN meets daily at 0300Z on 3.630 Mc. NCN needs you—you need NCN. Traffic: (Oct.) K6PMG 16, W6BDHH 10, W6CBF 2, K6LRN 1. (Sept.) K6PMG 8. (Aug.) WA6AGA 8.

HAWAII—SCM, Lee R. Wical, KH6BZF—SEC: KH6-GHZ. PAM: W4UAF/KH6. RM: KH6AD. V.H.F. PAM: KH6EEM, QSL Mgr.: KH6DO. RACES Nets (#0, 10, 6 and 2 meters) coordinate with KH6AAN.

| Nets | Freq. (Mc.) | Time (GMT) | Days |
|-------------------------|-------------|------------|--------------|
| League Appointees | 7.290 | 0700Z | Wed. |
| Friendly Net | 7.290 | 2030Z | M-F |
| Pacific Interisland Net | 14.330 | 0830Z | M-W-F |
| S.E. ASIA Net | 14.320 | 1200Z | All |
| Marianas Island Net | 3.850 | 0830Z | 2, 3, 4 Tue. |

KH6BZF reports that his DX-pedition planned from KM6 to Kure Island didn't materialize because of transportation difficulties. W6VGL, an Asst. Director/Pacific ARRL Division, is now operating portable from Waikiki for several months. KH6GKI passed the Advanced Class exam recently. KG6AED called me during his recent visit with his brother Wes to chat over old times. Ex-KH6FRE reports that he's now signing W5JKJ using an HX-10, a Drake 2B to a 5-band vertical from Oklahoma City. KH6BZF recently worked South America's OA4C in Lima, Peru, and CE3QG in Santiago on 50.104 Mc. in October over a T-E path. ZK1AA has been making daily 6-meter beacon transmissions on 51.022 Mc. The beacon is turned off at 0530 GMT for listening purposes. Ex-KR6UD now signs WQ6BW/KH6 from Aiea Hts. WA4BCX has been signing portable KM6 lately. Those of you who are interested in a copy of great circle azimuths to many of the DXCC countries from Oahu, please send me an S.A.S.E. marked "azimuths" and one will be sent. Best of holiday wishes to all from the Hawaii section staff. Traffic: (Oct.) KH6BZF 14, KG6-AQI 9, W4EXM/KH6 3, KH6GQP 1. (Sept.) KH6GKL 121, KG6AQI 4, W4UAF/KH6 2.

NEVADA—SCM, Leonard M. Norman, W7PBV—SEC: WA7BEU. The Nevada Emergency Net meets on 3996.5 Mc. at 1900 PST Mon. and Thurs. W7PRM has a new 2-meter rig. K7ZOK and his XYL have new wheels for their mobile rig. WA7LIN is a new call in Sparks. K7-RKH and WA7ESM are rebuilding surplus 2-meter gear for an a.m. and RTTY network. W7TKV has retired from Los Angeles D.W. & P. and is now living in North Las Vegas. K7RBM is home from active duty with the Navy. W7YRY has a new tower and quad for DX. W7-CNSB needs one more QCWA member to form a Nevada QCWA Chapter. W7VVF will schedule anyone, DX or stateside, who needs a Nevada QSL. W7FBL is active on s.s.b. W7PBV attended the Director's meeting and Greater Bay Area Hamfest. W7FJM has been active on W5PA while attending FAA school. W7AKE reports increased activity on the W7DDB repeater, f.m. 146.34/146.94 Mc. K7ZAU is getting things in order for the W7ARS-7255 officers and directors installation at "SAROC." Communications for Nevada Admission Day Parade were handled by W7PC, W7SRM, W7SMF, W7-TQE, WA7IRW, K7NFK, K7QOP, K7UHC, K7ZAU, W7ZKNK, W7KOE, and W6MTH/7.

SACRAMENTO VALLEY—SCM, John F. Minke, III, WA6JDT—ECs: W6MXND, K6LRH, W6RSY, W6SMU, WA6TQJ. RMs: W6LNZ, W6BYTX. ORSs: W6LNZ, W6BQZZ, W6BRSY, W8VDA/6, W6VUZ, W6BYTX, K6-YZU. OPSs: W6EAG, K6LKV, W6BMAE, W6BVC, W6VUZ, OBSs: W6BMAE, W6NKR, W6BPHQ, W6B-WJO. OOs: W6DOR, K6GG, OVSs: WA6CXB, WA6-FWU. Mark your calendars for the week end of June 14 and 15. There will be a Pacific Division Convention at the El Dorado Inn in Sacramento. The California QSO Party had a large turnout with most of the W6 stations from Los Angeles County. SV participation consisted of a few in Sacramento County and W6UNP in El Dorado County. Ex-SVER, W6CIS, was operating portable down in Mariposa County. WA6FWU has been active with the Placer Co. Sheriff's Communications Reserve along with K6SLB and WA6CUL. Sept. FMT participants were WA6CXB, K6GG, W6KDJ, K6PAC, W6QEO, W6TFH and W6BYTX. W6QEO had an average error of 0.2 p.p.m. (parts per million). K6GG claims 7 years without missing an FMT. WA6TGG is attempting to get the El Dorado ARF affiliated with the ARRL. The Yolo County C.D. Net is about to move to another frequency because of interference from repeaters. W6VUZ recently passed the Advanced Class exam and is now working hard towards 20 w.p.m. W6NKR put up a five-element Yagi for 2 meters. W6BYCL and W6BTCX have been maintaining nightly cec practice on 50.110 Mc. Traffic: (Oct.) W8VDA/6 82, WA6JDT 62, W6BYTX 59, W6LNZ 35, K6RRL 14, K6LKV 10, W6BMAE 6, W6NKR 4, W6VUZ 1. (Sept.) K6KRL 4, WA6FWU 2. (Aug.) K6-KRL 18. (July) K6KRL 13.

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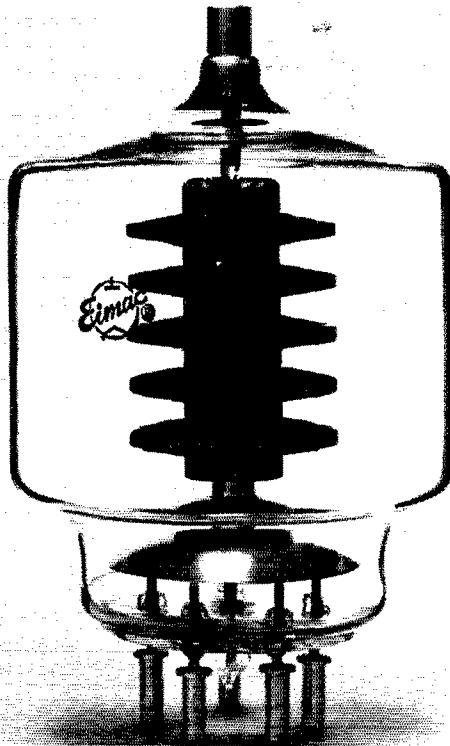
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SAN FRANCISCO—SCM, Hugh Cassidy, WA6AUD—SEC: W6WLV, WA6BYZ was top in the code tests at the Greater Bay Area Hamfest, doing 50 w.p.m. and receiving a certificate. New officers of the Marin Club are: K6JGX, pres.; WB6PQE, vice-pres.; WB6UJO, treas.; W6B6CIE, secy. WB6FLT's travels to remote Mendocino County kept him from much activity during Oct. W6HNG is a new AREC member in the Petaluma area. W6CYO worked 116 JAs during the recent DX Contest. The Petaluma Amateur Radio Klub has a 2-meter net going on 146.85 Mc. Tue. at 8 p.m. local time. WA6BYZ made the BPL again. WA6QXV reports receiving the K6GWE 2-meter repeater at Ukiah since it was rebuilt. WA6AUD gave a talk on message format at the Oct. meeting of the Marin Club. W6WLV got into a bind on home projects and could not make the recent meeting called by the Pacific Division Director in Oakland. W6BYMW is the new editor of the North Peninsula Club paper. W6BIP worked hard in the Sweepstakes endeavoring to top the section again both on phone and c.w. WB6UJO just returned from a two month trip to the Orient, going as far as Penang. WBQAT is looking for more ragchewers to join in at 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. local time on 7110 kc. Everyone is welcome. W6VIZ reports his main activity is 6-meter mobiling. The Tamalpais Club is considering the purchase of its own coffeepot to round out its list of club gear. WA6SBA continues to publish *QUA* for the Novato group. WA6SAZ is back in the northern Marin area after an absence of a couple of years. W6PZE has an active group in EC effort in the Petaluma area with WB6AGP, W6HLM, W6ISS, WB6FLT, WB6PZL, WB6EY and WB6ZKP as full members and W6BTPS, W6IZR and WA6OFP as limited members. W6KG and W6DOD gave a program on the DX travels at the Sept. meeting of the San Francisco Radio Club. Gunnar Ahlstrom, ex-W6JQI, passed away in Australia in early Oct. W6ERS and WB6QAT visited the FCC for the Extra Class examinations recently. W6FAX is a regular checker-in on the Northern California Net. Traffic: W6KVO 355, WA6BYZ 293, W6WLV 190, WA6AUD 35, K6TWJ 14, W6BWW 12, WB6LFT 11, K6TZN 9, W6PZE 6, WB6IMO 5, W6CYO 1.

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY—SCM, Ralph Saroyan. W6JPU—Happy New Year, everyone. W6BRZI is the new EC for Tuolumne County. K6LXA is the new Stanislaus County EC. W6ZRJ made an official visit to the Tuolumne County Amateur Radio Club and was greatly appreciated by the TARS. W6ZRJ also visited the Turlock Amateur Radio Club. K2LOX/6 was heard operating in Fresno. W9YSU, ex-W6GXL, vacationed in Turlock, and attended the GBA Hamfest in Millbrae. K6GSS obtained his Advanced Class license and is operating on 6-meter c.w. WA6KZV is the trustee of the China Lake Elementary School, and the call is WA6YBN. The group operates with an Eico 723, Heath DX-20 and an SP-600. WB6RYA is running a Heath SB-100 into a 14AVQ. WB6VFU put a kw. on 75 meters which resulted in TVI. WB6RZI, W6JUK, W6JPU and WA6CUZ were among those who attended the GBA Hamfest in Millbrae. K6HEZ has been shipped to Greece. W6WME was the guest speaker at the Tulare County Radio Club in Oct. The Delta Amateur Radio Club held its Social Dinner Oct. 26 with 33 in attendance. W6COB has gone mobile. WA6VML is now WA6OUI. WB6YYG and WA6KOG are on 6- and 2-meter s.s.b. Traffic: (Oct.) W6ADB 441, WA6SCE 120, K6KOL 86, WB6WGR 49. (Sept.) WB6WGR 21. (July) WB6WGR 1.

SANTA CLARA VALLEY—SCM, Edward T. Turner. W6NVO—This report was written by W6ZRJ. Our SCM, W6NVO, recovered quite well from his recent illness, but has returned to the hospital for more tests, and will be back in business by the time this report is published. Our best to Ed from the entire section. W6LDO and W6ZRJ received their WAC certificates. Walt after 35 years in amateur radio and Doc after 22 years. Walt is active on the QCWA AM Net on Sun. mornings. W6TFT is the newly-elected RO for San Mateo RACES. W6M-MG was active in the CD Party. Al works PCN. WA6-BXH works WCARS and is busy trying for some DX. W6BYB was active in the CD Party and NCN. W6OII is busy revamping his station, but found time to work in the Phone CD Party. W6BPT received his Extra Class license Nov. 1 and was presented a certificate from the FCC at the Greater Bay Area Hamfest. Presenting the certificate was W6UDU of the SF FCC office who, along with W6OWP, received the first "Certificate of Merit" from W6ZRJ. W6OWP for his work in the CP program and W6UDU for his many years of cooperation with amateurs as EIC at the SF Office. Also attending the GBA LO meeting from SCV were W6BPT, W6HC, W6VZE, W6VZT, WA6HVN and W6YHM. K6-HGV is active on Navy MARS. W6AUC reports much OO operation along with many other schedules. WA6LPA maintains several traffic schedules and is home more

often now that vacation is over. W6DEF reports that W6KG and W6DOD gave a fine DX presentation at the SCARS meeting. W6EMS is operating P.A.N. W6YBV visited L.A., which cut into his traffic total. Traffic: (Oct.) W6RSY 1202, W6WZE 349, W6BYB 182, W6EMS 158, W6DEF 115, WA6LPA 98, W6AUC 37, K6HGV 27, W6BPT 12, W6ZRJ 12, W6OII 8, W6BYB 6, WA6BXH 1. (Sept.) W6OII 8.

ROANOKE DIVISION

NORTH CAROLINA—SCM, Barnett S. Dodd, W4-RNU—Asst. SCM: James O. Pullman, W4VTR. SEC: WA4LWE, RM: K4CWZ, PAM: W4AJT, V.H.F. PAM: W4HJZ, W4IRE is back on c.w. and RTTY with an HX-10 Marauder with very good results. WA4ZLK says college is keeping him too busy for much hamming except for a little on week ends. K4YYJ is now using his new 70-ft. crank-up tower for 2 meters. WA4KWC reports c.w. DX excellent on 10 meters. W4RWL is the proud possessor of an EAN Net certificate. K4TTN reports club code classes continuing with fine participation. WB4JH has assumed the duties of asst. net manager for NCN (E).

| Net | Freq. | Time | Days | QTC | Mgr. |
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| THEN | 3923 kc. | 0030Z | Daily | 167 | W4ZZC |
| NCN(L) | 3573 kc. | 0300Z | Daily | 55 | WA4CFN |
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| SSBN | 3938 kc. | 0030Z | Daily | 38 | WA4LWE |
| (Sept.) | | | | | |
| SSBN | 3938 kc. | 0030Z | Daily | 34 | WA4LWE |

Traffic: (Oct.) W4EVN 317, W4RWL 168, WB4JH 114, W4FDV 75, WA4GMC 67, K4EO 40, W4IRE 40, WA4-VNV 40, W4ZZB 28, WA4UCQ 24, WA4AKX 22, K4TTN 12, K4VBG 10, K4ZKQ 10, W4VTR 6, WA4KWC 4, K4YCL 4, W4NAP 3, K4UYM 2. (Sept.) WB4JH 71.

SOUTH CAROLINA—SCM, Charles N. Wright, W4-PED—SEC: WA4ECJ. RM: K6QPH/4. PAM: WB4-BZA.

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| SCPN | 3930 kc. | 0830 and 1530 EST Sun. | 12 Noon Daily |
| SON | 3795 kc. | 0000Z and 0300Z Daily | Oct. Tfc. 23 |
| SSSBN | 3915 kc. | 0000Z Daily | Oct. Tfc. 115 |

The Low Country Amateur Radio Club has reorganized and is again active with the club call WA4PDZ. W4GZZ is pres. Fifteen amateurs in Anderson cooperated with city officials and Jaycees in a Halloween safety patrol. The group operated both 2- and 75-meter mobiles as well as base stations. City officials indicated the operation was very successful. The state's first election reporting effort, "Operation 68," found thirty of the 46 counties represented with over 300 amateurs and 25 non-amateur volunteers handling 136 messages and successfully furnishing speedy returns to participating radio stations. This operation was one of the largest and best-planned of any ever held in the section, thanks to the efforts of WA4ECJ, WA4EFP, W4WQM and all the participants. Traffic: K6QPH/4 97, K4OCU 47, W4NTO 40, W4VFO 33, W4PED 31, W4JA 27, W4BZA 18, W4FVV 11, WA4HFA 5.

VIRGINIA—SCM, H. J. Hopkins, W4SHJ—SEC: K4-LMB. PAM: W4OKN. RMs: WA4EUL, K4MLC. New officers of the Northern Virginia RC are WA4PBG, K6HPR/4, WB4DHT, WA4GHU and K4DC. WB4DRB passed the Extra Class exam and was awarded a 4RN net certificate. If you worked PJ3CC in a recent DX Contest chances are pretty good that it was W4GF, W4KFC or W4ZM on the other end. W4LK is moving to Florida. K4DC has earned a VSBN certificate. A few club stations were surprised to learn that the station may not be operated in the new restricted sub-bands if the station trustee does not himself hold those privileges. Best get all your trustees upgraded to amateurs Extras; then, any operator of a club station may operate up to the limit of his own class of license. A reminder that the annual ARRL SET will be conducted late in Jan. If you can't participate in an organized AREC effort, at least monitor one of your section net frequencies as time permits. Statewide nets meet seven nights per week on 3680, 3935 and 3835. Traffic: (Oct.) K4KNP 398, W4UQ 289, W4RHA 236, W4NLC 219, WB4DRB 141, WB4CVY 130, WA4EUL 109, K4FSS 107, WB4FDT 82, K4TJSJ 73, K4KDJ 71, WA4JF 59, K4DC 48, W4ZM 39, WB4DOY 38, WA4SJT 38, K4MLC 37, WB4FUJ 36, W4OKN 34, K4LX 31, W4W0 28, WA4PBG 27, W4RZE 22, W4KX 15, K4GR 13, WB4GYV 13, WA4OGZ 12, W4SHJ 12, W4THV 10, WB4FLT 9, W4GEG 8, WB4GTS 6, W4MK 6, WB4GDO 5, WA4YRH 4, W4ZAU 4, W4LK 2, W4WQZ 2, W4JUI 1. (Sept.) WN4RHA 181, W4OP 5.

WEST VIRGINIA—SCM, Donald B. Morris, W8JM—SEC: W8EV. RMs: K8MYU, K8TFF. PAMs: K8CHW, W8IYD. Net Mgrs.: C.W. K8MHU; phone, W8AYOF. Officers of the Tri-State ARC of Huntington are WA8-

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ROCKY MOUNTAIN DIVISION

UTAH—SCM, Thomas H. Miller, W7QWH—SEC, W7-WKF, RM: W7OCX, W7OCX has received his 25-year pin from the League. TWIN is back to 3570 kc. Utah nets: Beehive Utah Net BUN Daily 1930 GMT 7272 kc. Utah AREC-RACPS UARN Sat.-Sun. 1500 GMT 3987.5 kc. W7QJ (formerly W7JPN) is more active lately and is a regular check-in on BUN, the FARM Net and the Utah Relay Club 2-Meter Net. He says that the 2-meter net has helped on deliveries. K7ZJS and W7MSY took part in the Sept. ARRL Frequency Measuring Test and both did fairly well. Nearly all of Utah's ECs have been cancelled because of lack of reports to either the SCM or SEC. WA7DVT is doing an FB job as NCS and net manager of UARN. I enjoy receiving a net report each month. How about a report from the URG gang in Provo? There are 17 recent licensees in Brigham City and 16 are from the Intermountain School. Congratulations, all! Traffic: (Oct.) K7HLR 229, W7BCE 79, W7QJ 19, W7ATME 16, K7SOT 15. (Sept.) WA7MCE 32.

WYOMING—SCM, Wayne M. Moore, W7CQI—SEC: K7NQX, RM: K7KSA, PAMs: W7TZL, K7SLM, OBSS: K7SLM, K7NQX, W7SDA, K7TAQ, NMTs: Pony Express, Sun. at 0800 on 3920; YO, daily at 0130 GMT on 3610; Jackalope, Mon. through Sat. at 1215 on 7260; Wx Net, Mon. through Sat. on 0630 on 3920. WA7FHA has a new beam and is doing a lot of DX work. WA7FJ has a new transceiver. WA7KTW has a new complete station. The Cheyenne code and theory classes are going nicely. The Casper Club classes have started the second phase toward the General Class. W7TZK and K7ITH came back from their elk hunt with some meat. The YO Net is picking up members. W7HEB and W7CQL came back from the hills with a couple of deer in Oct. It's nice to hear W7EDO back on the air again with a new rig. Traffic: K7NQX 262, K7ITH 110, WA7GYQ 109, K7KSA 91, W7TZK 87, W7XVW 25, W7VWA 19, W7NKR 10, K7QJW 9, K7AHO 8, K7OAF 8, W7BXS 6, K7DEJ 5, WA7EUX 4, WA7EC 3, W7BHI 2.

SOUTHEASTERN DIVISION

ALABAMA—SCM, Edward L. Stone, K4KWH—SEC: WA4PI, RM: K4BSK, PAM: WA4FEC. Looking back over past records we find that W4DGH has served faithfully as OPS for 12. W4CIU as EC for 12 and as OPS for 11 years. K4KJD has been active as OPS for the past 10 years. K4AOZ has been most faithful as OBS without fail for the past 7 years. K4LJX has done a real fine job with the group in Macon County as EC for 8 years. The outstanding leadership that "Mrs. Sybil," WA4EEC, has rendered as PAM and NM of AENM has been one of the highlights of the past few years in the section operation. One hesitates to start a review of this type for fear that someone will be left out. Even if we had the space, we couldn't cover all at this time. I do want to extend our thanks to all who have worked with me during my term as your SCM and refer you on to my successor, Mr. Donald Bonner, WA4WLG, of Huntsville. We welcome WN4KSL in his fine work with the AEND; he also has a new beam on 15. WA4WLD is doing some fine work on 6 with a quad at Athens. It's good to hear strangers from South Alabama (WA4WD and K4TNS) on again. Traffic: K4BSK 90, WA4FYO 70,

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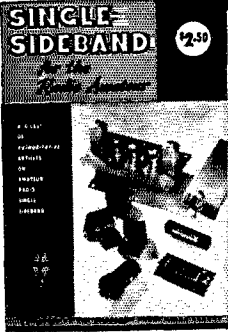
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CANAL ZONE—SCM, Russell E. Oberholter, KZ5OB—Our deepest sympathy is extended to WA5NUR (ex-KZ5TT) on the loss of her husband, WA5NVF (ex-KZ5LT). Code classes began in Nov. for prospective hams on the Atlantic Side. Classes are sponsored by the CARC. KZ5GC retired and will be operating as WA7EMD from Edmonds, Wash. KZ5RH returned to the states also and will be operating from Pensacola, Fla., as WA0TFR. KZ5SA and KZ5CT are off on a short stateside vacation. Traffic: KZ5OA 135, KZ5AD 75, KZ5JC 21, KZ5PA 15.

EASTERN FLORIDA—Acting SCM, William G. Blasingame, Jr., WA4NEV—SEC: W4Y1T. Asst. SEC: W4FP. RM C.W.: W4ILE. RM RTTY: W4RWM. PAM 75M: W4OGX. PAM 40M: W4SDR. V.H.F. PAM: W4BMC. It appears that the hurricane season is now over for us; we had very few problems this year. We understand that K4GT had to evacuate during the recent storm "Gladys." Also W4YRU set up in the Red Cross shelter in Pascoe County. It is easy to tell that the winter season is on the way, with the disappearance of our static and the lengthening of the skip on 80 meters. W4QLZ reports that the Miami 2-meter f.m. repeater is now in service. The input is 146.340 Mc. and output at 146.760-Mc. narrow band. The call of the repeater station is WB4EAA. Congratulations are in order to the North Florida Amateur Society on winning the Florida Skip Field Day trophy for the most points scored in the state. They ran 4 transmitters this year. Also congratulations to the Beaches Amateur Radio Society on being No. 1 in W4-Land in the single transmitter class during Field Day '68. We hear that WB4NI is in the hospital in Gainesville. The Vero Beach Amateur Radio Club is now affiliated with ARRL. W4LEP reports that he has received his 25-year membership pin from the League. Traffic: (Oct.) WA4LJE 467, WA4SC 459, WB4AIW 437, K4BV/4 423, W4LJE 361, W4LJE 338, WA4NEV 336, WB4HJW 168, WB4EPD 161, W4DFU 133, WA4FGH 131, K4LEC 88, W4SDR 88, WB4PLW 81, K4DAX 78, WA4HED 78, W4FP 70, W4YFX 69, WA4FJA 62, WB4HQX 50, W4OIX 44, W4NGR 42, W4CICQ 41, WB4DSP 36, W4AKB 34, W8BZY/4 34, W4SMK 34, WA4QLZ 28, WA4NBE 27, W4TJM 25, WB4ADL 24, K4IEK 23, K4LPS 21, W4Y1T 20, W4PDK 20, W4ARQR 19, W4IAD 18, WA4EYU 15, W4ZAK 12, K4EBE 7, WA4YRU 7, W4DVO 5, W4VPQ 5, K4DSN 4, K4JZL 4, W4SOM 4, WB4GUE 3, W4CBE 2. (Sept.) W4IAD 6.

GEORGIA—SCM, Howard L. Schonher, W4RZL—SEC: WA4WQU. RM: W4FDN. PAMs: K4HQI, W4YDN, WB4EMF now is Advanced Class. W4HYW participated in the Calif. and Mass. QSO Parties. Tom continues to recruit new ARRL members. W4LRR is active on 2. K4PZS has a new lunch box. K4HQI on HW-17, K4RZB a kw. on 6 and W4LRR a twenty-element colinear for 2. The Ga. S.S.B. Net reports 31 sessions with 761 check-ins and 104 formals. GSN had 62 sessions with 474 checking in for a traffic total of 292. K4HQI reports 50-Mc. openings on Oct. 12 and 14 into Texas and the Midwest. He also advises of increased 2-meter activity in the Athens and Augusta areas. WB6UTC is relaying between the c.w. and s.s.b. nets. W4TYE participated in the CD Party. WA4UQQ is planning on "Signal One" gear. K4TXK modified the Marauder for 15-ke. deviation f.m. and runs 200 watts s.s.b. and 120 watts f.m. on 2. W4PGU has a new inverted "V" for 40. Plans are being made to increase activity and change the time of GTN under the new net management of WB6UTC. Mike's previous experience along these lines will be of great help to the net and the section. Traffic: WB6UTC/4 196, W4CZN 187, W4TYE 180, WA4RAV 165, W4PIM 93, WA4UQQ 87, W4DDY 58, K4TXK 34, WA4LLI 33, WA4KQZ 23, WA4YDN 17, WA4JES 14, W4RZL 5, W4PGU 2.

WESTERN FLORIDA—SCM, Frank M. Butler, Jr., W4RKH—SEC: W4IKB. H.F. PAM: W7BNR/4. V.H.F. PAM: W4UUF. RM: K4UBR. Nets:

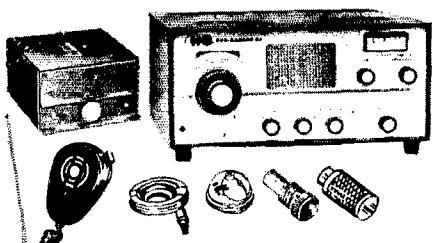
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Pensacola: The F4RA had a program on 2-meter f.m. and repeaters at a recent meeting. K4LAN is net mgr. for QFN for the next six months. K4Vfy/4 made 189K in the CD Party. W4UUF reported a good opening on 2 meters, with contacts to W8-, W9- and W0-Land. WA4WAR and WA4ZRN joined the 2-meter f.m. gang. K4NMZ is attempting meteor scatter skeds with W0EYE.

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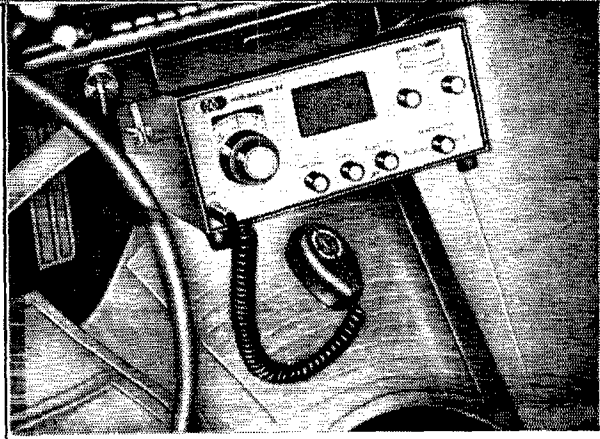
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SOUTHWESTERN DIVISION

ARIZONA—SCM, Gary M. Hamman, W7CAF—PAM: W7UXZ. RM: K7NHL. The Amateur Radio Council of Arizona invites all hams to a hamfest at Estrella Park, near Avondale, Feb. 1 and 2. Sunday lunch is potluck. Camping sites are available Fri. and Sat. nights. Look for W7IO/7 on 3.878 Mc. for talk-in. The Simulated Emergency Test will be held Jan. 25, 26. Monitor 3.878 Mc. on the Copperstate Net and 3.9905 Mc. on the RACES Net for details. Maricopa RACES had a successful radiological monitoring exercise. K7VAG is pres. of the group this year. The Arizona ARC had a nice turnout at North Mountain Park for a hamburger fry with K8JJT and XYL as chief cooks. W7CWY has been holding code and theory classes on Wed. at 1930 in the Central Towers Building in Phoenix. K7MLE is pres. of the Kaiser Radio Club and has completed construction of an all-solid-state 6-meter transmitter-receiver running 13 watts input with a 12 v.d.c. supply. WA7DUB is a semi-finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Contest. W7FCD has worked 100 countries on a vertical with 200 watts. W7UXZ has a new counter that measures frequency to the nearest .001 kc. up through 50 Mc. K7VYR is now in Tokyo after being in Viet Nam. The Arizona Post Office Net handled 70 pieces of traffic. Congrats to K7UGA on his election to the U.S. Senate. Traffic: (Oct.) K7-NHL 281, WA7DUB 65, WA7ISF 6, W7DQS 3, W7CAF 2, WA7FD 2. (Sept.) WA7DUB 78.

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LOS ANGELES—SCM, Donald R. Etheredge K6UMV—Asst. SCM: Harvey D.D. Hetland, WA6KZI (The following is a report of Sept. activities.) A newly affiliated club in the L.A. section is the Northrop Institute of Technology. A new appointee is WB6SSZ. Two Silent Keys include WA6FAO and WB7YHP. W6CZP and W6RCV are both sporting new Extra Class licenses. W6WGC is now W6QB and reports WAS and DXCC 0178 under the new call! The WVARC has new officer with WB6TVH, proxy; WA6CXA, vice-pres.; WN6CSN, secy. and WB6KPN, treas. The WVARC is now licensed as WA6LXN. The TRW RC sports a newly-named bulletin Cross Talk, and reports work is being done on

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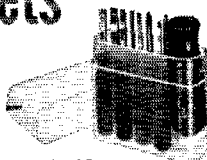
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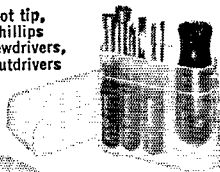
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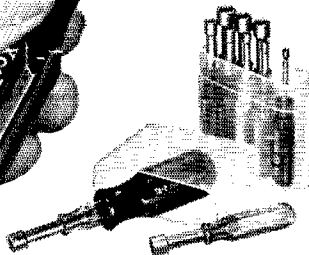


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TRW OSCAR with 144.1-Mc. input and 431.9-Mc. output. Passband is expected to be 3 kc. and optimum power output is 3 watts r.f. A recent visitor to W/K-Land was VU2AJ, who reports a habit of 100% QSL! ORS appointee WB8TMC has a 7-lb 11-oz. YL addition to the family. BPL was earned by W6GYH, WB6BBO and WA6KZI for Sept. traffic-handling duties. The Mission Trail Net (MTN) now meets on 3928 kc. instead of 3854 kc. WB6TQS is busy on a 813 linear amplifier. K9-QZ0/6 also passed the Extra Class exam recently. Cal Poly (Pomona) is publicizing its MARS and NTS traffic capabilities to its immediate area. Its call is WA6GYL. 6Y5NY has WB6VZD, OPS, as QSL Mgr. K6ASK is now licensed as Advanced Class. W6AM/mobile 6 reports some 112 countries worked. W6FTQ has a new Drake RA receiver for his OO work. A new face on the SCN scene is WB6YUQ and WB6IQT is welcomed back. W6FD is on vacation in KYUGA-Land. WB6IMV has CE3QG and OAC worked via 50-Mc. TE. WA6KIK has a new ten-element yagi gracing the sky for 6 meters. The Marina ARC reports WN6DGP as a Silent Key. A new L.A. section resident is HK3BK. Operating under RACES, W6FXN, W6QYY, W6VHU, W6VZA, K6OXX, WA6GZK and WA6WPX helped with communications at the recent Duarte fire. A list of some 122 amateur radio clubs, mainly in the L.A. and Orange Counties, has been compiled and is available for an SASE with 12 cents postage affixed. All radio clubs are urged to write and verify data including updating of information. WA6KZI is working part time at KWKW and UCLA. The SFCO group recently acquired eight 450-Mc. transceivers for RACES purposes. Traffic: (Sept.) W6GYH 801, WB6BBO 531, W6QAE 334, WB6TQS 209, WA6KZI 205, WB6YSG 100, K6CDW 94, K9QZ0/6 75, W6FD 51, WB6WDS 46, WB6OLD 39, W6USY 36, WB6SXY 34, WB6KKG 33, W6BHG 26, WB6IQT 26, WB6SLG 19, W6DQX 18, WB6VZD 17, K6CL 14, K6EA 8, K6UAM 7, WB6AEL 6, K6ASK 6, W6DGH 4, W6TXJ 4, W6TN 3, W6AM 2, W6HUJ 1, WB6OUD 1. (Aug.) K6EA 6.

ORANGE—SCM, Roy R. Marson, W6DEY—On Sun., Oct. 27, at 9 A.M. eight hams representing the ARRL and the AREC Orange Section 75-Meter Net surprise-visited the shack of W6TMY to present him a plaque commemorating his 280th consecutive check-in. "Mac" greeted WB6QAK, K6LJA, WB6RVM, WA6ROF, W6VAA, W6QAT, WA6YWN and W6DEY. An "eyeball QSO" was enjoyed by all. The Orange section winner of the 1968 New York QSO Party was K6OT. WA6ROF has a 75A-3 and a Mosley TD-2 trap dipole for 80/40-meter NTS and AREC activity. W6EY now is doing liaison between PAN3 and K6N6 and has the problem of getting good ground out in the desert. W6ELF, K6NJU, WA6UBP and XYLS along with W6PJU and W6DEY joined in the 8th Mobile Caravan to Ensenada, B.C. Mexico. The members of the group were greeted by the Mayor and entertained by the members of the Radio Club de Ensenada, Nov. 9-10. The Anaheim ARA and the Fullerton RC held annual banquets Nov. 9. WB6VYU had 237 contacts, 70 sections, 100 watts phone for 20,737 points in the Sweepstakes, W6RYQ, WB6MIZP, K6DM, K6VIZ and K6JBG submitted measurements in the FMT of Sept. 14. Traffic: WB6TYZ 170, WA6ROF 144, W6WRJ 26, W6EY 11, W6BUK 2.

SAN DIEGO—SCM, James E. Emerson, Jr., WB6-GMM—The Oct. DX Club meeting was held at the home of W6RCD and was highlighted by a visit from IKN. Look for K6BTO on the high end of 2 meters with a newly-revised f.m. rig using high power. The Palomar RC had as the main attraction of its Nov. meeting a tour through the Swan plant in Oceanside. K6EQN is in the process of building a 4-1000 linear and getting on RTTY. If you haven't received your 200th Anniversary QSL cards and log sheets, drop a line to San Diego 200 Anniversary, Inc., 635 C St., San Diego 92101. WA6CQW, of the San Diego Police Dept., is looking for fellow amateurs to assist in a plan to help under-privileged youngsters get started in the ham game. His home phone is 264-4845. WB6HZI, one of our sightless hams, has donated a complete station to WN6NGU, one of our most recent sightless brothers to join the ranks. The ARC of El Cajon has begun a get-acquainted awards program it calls WAMO (Worked All Members Award). It's open to all amateurs. Contact a member for the details. The club also is planning to start Novice classes on Fri. nights. WA6COE is co-sponsor of the newly-formed ARC at Parkway Jr. High, WA6NAP. Thirty members are working for their Novice tickets. K6HAV has completed the wiring of his new shack and should be moved into it by now. Traffic: W6YDK 4358, W6EOT 418, W6VNO 369, W6BGF 271, W6LRU 205, W6SE 84, K6HAV 71, WB6UMT 64, WB6GMM 23.

SANTA BARBARA—SCM, Cecil D. Hinson, WA6-OKN—SEC: K6GV. RM: W6UJ. WB6BWZ somehow finds time to eat in addition to checking into four daily

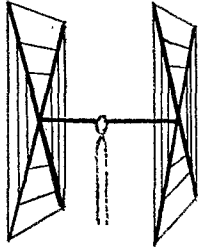
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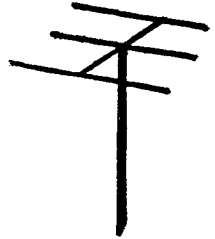
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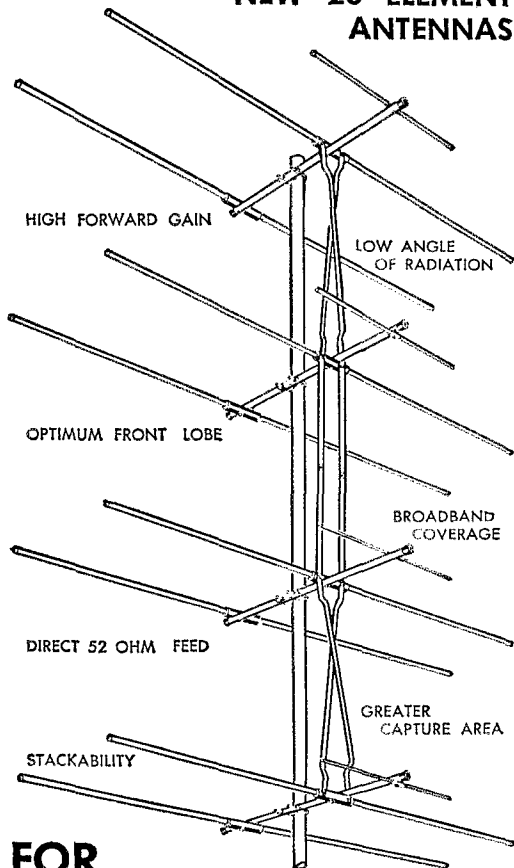
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nets, getting on RTTY, getting on 2 meters and doing a great job as EC and OO. I understand he also has a job. W6UJ has been working some good 10-meter C.W. DX. K6GV put up his second "cliff dweller" antenna. W6BJM has been plagued with relay trouble in his KVM-2. K7RWI/6 is attending school in Santa Barbara and is a past ORS from San Diego. WA6FKY checks into the Golden Bear Net and handles traffic from the *Repose*, which I believe is a hospital ship in S.E.A. K6TOE will be missed by the Estero ARC while on a month's vacation. WB6YCH has a new 6-meter antenna and rotator. WA6DDQ is trying out his new tri-band quad. Traffic: K7RWI/6 174, WA6FKY 12, W6UJ 8, WB6BWZ 2.

WEST GULF DIVISION

NORTHERN TEXAS—SCM, L. E. Harrison, W5LR—State RACES in Austin came out with a new list of District and Alternate District Radio Officers. Thanks to WA5VTO, State RACES Officer. Our section is represented by WA4FUN/3 Dallas, W5TFW Nederland, K5SZC San Angelo, W5GHQ Lubbock, K5BGA and K5DMJ Amarillo, WA5CMB Wichita Falls, also W5AVA, and WA5CMC plus K5CLL. W5QWR has resigned as ORS. W5FCX has been endorsed and W5QGZ transferred. EC W5LGY has renewed as net mgr. of NETEXENET. This net meets each Sun. at 0800 local time on 3970 kc. The Brownfield Hamfest was the No. 1 attraction in Texas this past month. Vice-pres. W5NW, Director W5IQ and SCM W5LR attended. Sponsors of the event were the Terry County Radio Club with W5IWX as pres., and W5NFO, Asst. SCM. The Dallas Amateur Radio Club announced at the OT Night, attended by 125 people. The following nominations: WA5BFB, for pres.; W5IY, for vice-pres.; WA5BNW, for secy-treas.; WN5NXL, for sgt. at arms; W5GG, for tech. dir.; W5AG, for program dir.; WA5LMG, for finance dir.; Jim Rhodes and Sam Goldstick, educational dir.; Pat Fox, XYL of W5OQO, public relations dir. The Texhoma Hamfest is now a matter of record. The Dallas Club's General license class started Nov. 1 to continue for 14 weeks. North Texas hams interested in RTTY equipment should contact K5BOA, DA8-1221 Dallas. Your SCM appeared before the Irving Amateur Radio Club Oct. 17. Ham Radio 1968 Style was discussed, including the area of advisory committees. The Irving Club issues a 3-page bulletin once per month containing all local items of interest as well as numbered OBSs. Comes next the Kilocycle Club of Fort Worth with a 4-page resume of club activities. Pres. WA5JLJ and his crew are doing a fine job. Club meeting rooms are located in Seminary South. The club's General Class school is well underway. KIZAT/5 reports from San Angelo that he has a new junior operator. Reports are now arriving from many West Texas places including Abilene, Hereford, Brownfield, Dalhart, Pampa, San Angelo and Weatherford. Our OOs are doing a grand job. Looks like our SEC is pushing this AREC business, four new ones in Oct. Remember, your SCM, SEC, PAM, RMs and OOs are at your service. Traffic: K5BNH 2168, WA5TYH 658, W5JSM 267, W5HVF 84, K5LZA 64, K5PBN 47, WA5DDB 41, WA5SIO 34, W5QGZ 33, W5FCX 12.

OKLAHOMA—SCM, Cecil C. Cash, W5PML—SEC: WA5AOB. RM: W5QMJ. PAMS: W5MFX, K5TEY, WA5JGU, K5ZCJ. Correction on July listing: W5KOZ, listed as Advanced, should have been *Extra Class*. Congratulations to the following upgraded and new licensees: Extra Class, K5GUZ and W5ZXD. Advanced Class, WA5AOB, K5BBA, WA5FVJ, WA5GCH, K5IRO, K5OXP, WA5SUD and K5WPP. General Class, WA5QYK. Novice, WN5WCB and WN5WET. New officers of the Enid Amateur Radio Club are WA5OUB, pres.; WN5UJG, vice-pres.; WA5NYX, secy-treas. There is quite a bit of 2-meter activity in the Enid area now that the repeater is full operational; also the v.h.f.ers report some good skip openings recently on both 6 and 2 meters. The Lawton Fort Sill Amateur Radio Club's face-lifting is just about completed with the operating room including acoustical tile ceiling, mahogany paneling, wall-to-wall carpeting and air conditioning. Santa came early to the shack of K5CBA and left Preston a Heath SB-300 and SB-400. Net reports:

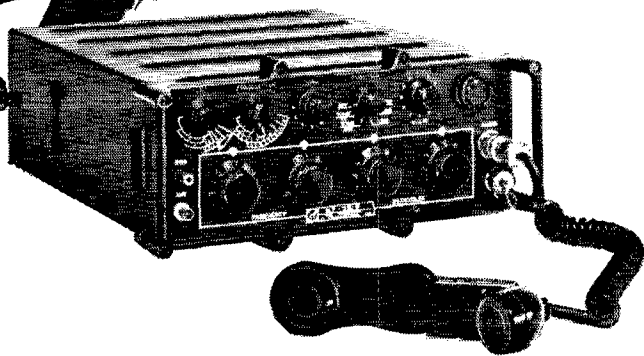
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SOUTHERN TEXAS—SCM, G.D. Jerry Sears, W5-AIR—SEC: K5QQG. PAM: W5KLV. RM: W5EZY. New appointment: K2EIU/5 as OO. W5ABQ has been OHS so long he is on his third certificate. WA5MBC will soon be heard as K9MFI from Peoria, Ill. The Houston ARC recently elected WA5JDI, pres.; W5CWE, vice-pres.; W5FFP, treas.; WA5IRD, secy.; W5JVR, membership; K5SOH, program. A radiogram was received advising that K2EIU/5 was winner of the 1968 New York QSO Party. The new call for the ARC at Randolph AFB is WA5SNH, as reported by K2EIU/5. Editor W5NGW notes in the El Paso, W5ES, *Bulletin* that: K5MTL now is back from Korea and W5LJU has gone to Korea for a year. WA5NGO moved to Louisville. K5VRF's beam lost a battle with the wind; just recently lightning got his 2-hand cliff-dweller. EC K5IMF now is operating RTTY and says it's lots of fun. W5ABQ reports that the San Antonio Chapter of the QCWA now has over 24 members. RM W5EZY reports that several stations missed recently for one reason or other on the TEX. C.W. Tlc. Net, resulting in a lower count than usual. Some new stations are needed on TEX, which meets on 3770 kc. at 1900 and 2200 local time daily. W5KZT reports he still is trying to get his 75-meter antenna up and says DX is good on "10," and that WA5PDD has 40 states confirmed on 6 meters. It was nice seeing many of you from Southern Texas at the Houston ARC Ham-fest at Spring Creek Park. W5BRM is back in the hospital for open-heart surgery. A nice letter was received from W5NWG in RVN. Best of luck and hope to see you in Southern Texas next May. Traffic: K5HZR 190, W5-QJA 123, W5BGE 111, W5EZY 97, W5AC 89, WA5INZ 84, K2EIU/5 83, WA5MXY 76, W5FW 57, W5KZT 43, W5-ABQ 24, W5QO 22, WA5QKE 21, K5WYN 16, WA5GZX 14, K5QQG 10, WA5RXO 8.

CANADIAN DIVISION

ALBERTA—SCM, Harry Harrold, VE6TG—PAM (APSN): VE6ADS. SEC: VE6FK. ECs: VE6SS, VE6-

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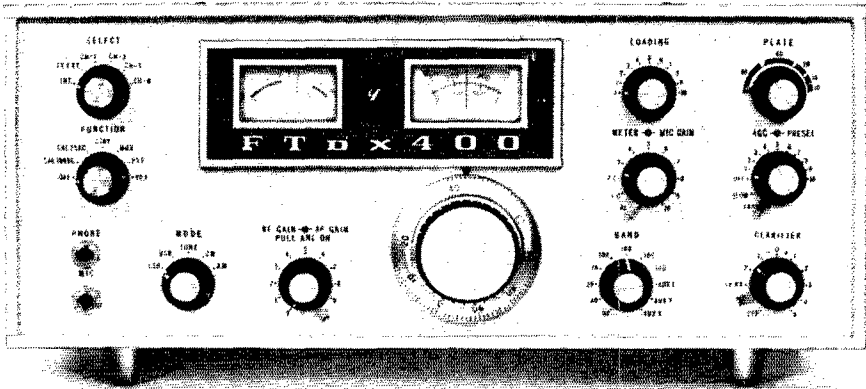
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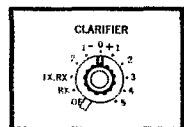
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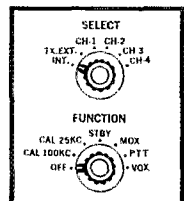
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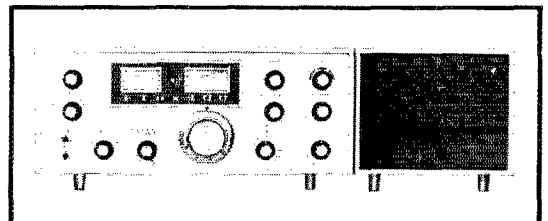


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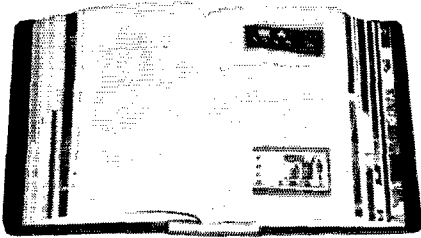
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50-Mc. Transistor Transceiver

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upon finding that certain items are not available, and replacements do not fit!

Preparation and etching of circuit boards is tedious but uncritical. The result, particularly in equipment using transistors, is superior mechanically and electrically to other methods of construction. Procedure is covered in detail in the *ARRL Handbook* chapter on construction practices (page 522 in the 1968 edition) and in *QST* for September, 1967, page 13.

No attempt has been made to estimate the cost of the transceiver, as many parts came from used stock. Some items listed are the closest equivalents likely to be available, rather than exact details of the surplus parts used by the writer. This should be kept in mind in laying out your circuit boards.

Power drain in receiving is only 17 ma. at 12 volts, with no signal. Room-level audio raises this to about 30 ma. Transmitting draws about 110 ma., unmodulated, and 165 ma. on audio peaks. This power can be furnished economically from "D" cells. For more on batteries for portable work, see *QST* for September, 1967, page 40.

Operation

Working out with a QRP station of this nature requires considerable patience, a good antenna, and some know-how. Contacts have been made over a radius of 30 miles or so, with good reports, using a simple dipole antenna. A portable beam antenna of some kind is highly recommended. Suitable designs have been described many times in *QST*, and the subject is treated in detail in *The Radio Amateur's V.H.F. Manual*. The receiver is capable of bringing in stations that cannot be worked with such low transmitter power, but a good receiver is a great aid in getting the most out of a portable station.

Do not rule out the possibility of working out when the band is open for sporadic-E skip or other DX, but remember that these conditions result in immense pileups. Moving up or down a few kilocycles may help in keeping you from being drowned out by the kilowatts. In calling, mention that you are operating a QRP station. This may attract attention from operators who otherwise tend to ignore the weaker signals. We put out a special QSL for operators having the courtesy to answer a weak voice.

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Our thanks go to John Rehnstrom, WA7-HQG, for his patience in providing signal reports during development of the transmitter in its early versions, and for the first contact on the completed unit.

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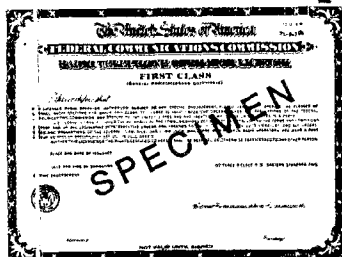
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BRITISH COLUMBIA—SCM, H.E. Savage, VE7FB—VE7BLO received his 25-w.p.m. certificate; he holds the stick and writes with his teeth. VE7BAV reports the VE7W Contest was great for his new s.s.b. rig. Point Grey ARC's new officers are VE7AXQ, pres.; VE7CD, secy. VE7OT is doing well and back on the air. VE7BDM reports summer activity with an SB-401 at Smithers and Fort Nelson. VE7QQ's code and theory class has six prospective amateurs, VE7AAL's new home is in Coquitlam and he has an SB-101 hooked to a 18AVQ. VE7BAF left for a year in Spain. VE7AFJ is busy with W/TV shop and 432 Mc. Chilliwack ARC's new officers are VE7BHG, pres.; VE7AHN, vice-pres. Major activity is on 147.33 Mc. VE7BWD reports the way to win friends while camping is to run a gas generator at nights while DX is good. VE7BOZ is back home after a year in Victoria; VE7GG reports concrete has been poured for the tower and the TH9 beau. VE7AC reports the orchards are set for the winter and he is set for hamming. The Boy Scout Jamboree, B.C. section, was fair to good. BCEN's winter schedule is on 3650 kc, at 0300 GAIT daily and 302 checked into the BCEN in Oct. Traffic: (Oct.) VE7ZK 88, VE7ASY 87, VE7AC 37, VE7ZK 106, VE7BLO 50, VE7AAJ 6.

MARITIME—SCM, William J. Gillis, VE1NR—Asst. SCM: R. P. Thorne, VO1EL, SEC: VE1HJ. Regretfully we record the passing of VE1UR and VE1JD. VO1s EL, TA, FN and EC rendered valuable aid in locating two lost hunters, using 75-meter s.s.b. and the St. John's 2-meter repeater. VE1FG, VE1WL, VO1DI and VO1EC were recent visitors to VP7DX. VE1NG and VE1NZ recently attended the RSO and CARF meetings at Brantford, Ontario. The report on CARF meeting is included in the newsletter. APN reports QNT 157, QTC 43, sessions 31. For the New Year—rate DX. Lots of traffic and enjoyable operating for all. Traffic: VE1AUD 44, VE1AMR 26, VE1AKQ 7.

ONTARIO—SCM, Roy A. White, VE3BUX—Your SCM was guest speaker at the Peterborough ARC meeting during Oct. The Quinte ARC had a turnout of 65 at its Oct. meeting when VE3EGO demonstrated slow-scan TV. Congrats to VE3BMR, Ontario winner of the 1968 New York QSO Party. VE3CJ was a visitor to the Windsor ARC during Oct. QSL cards, et cetera, from Canada could take a beating with the increase in postal rates Nov. 1. VE3GMO now is running an HW-12 and VE3NO is building a new color TV. VE3CUZ is active

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again after an absence of 30 years. In 1926, as VE3EL, he made the headlines with a Toronto to Australia contact on 40 meters using but 5 watts. VE3EFX is trying to get the North-West Ontario Net going again. He says the boys would really appreciate it if other stations would avoid 3750 kc. for about half an hour from 0015Z. It seems signals from the south really pound in and clobber them. VE3XF is foot-loose around S. America and is having a ball visiting hams there. VE3EER lost his KV2000A in a train-wreck near Toronto but all is OK now. *The North Shore ARC Bulletin* says VE3WQ has one of the biggest erections in Bowmanville, an 80-ft. tower with a six-element tri-band quad. VE3CSB is now the proud owner of an FTDX-100. VE3ECN is back in Ottawa after a three-year stint as VU2FN. Many Ontario amateurs hosted groups of Scouts during the Boy Scout Jamboree week end and many of the lads showed great interest. The Ontario Phone Net has as many as 50 stations checking in these nights. VE3OE and VE3ART are back from a quick trip to Europe. Le is nursing a busted foot right now! Did you know that approximately 75% of Canadian amateurs hold an Advanced Class certificate? In line with opinions expressed, only traffic reports exceeding 100 will be listed herein although this office will continue to keep a detailed record.

QUEBEC—SCM, J. W. Ibey, VE2OJ—A very Happy New Year to all. Recent endorsements were signed for VE2ANH, VE2BDU, VE2BKA, VE2BRO, VE2BYS and VE2DDG. Don't forget to send your certificate for endorsement. VE2BWS relinquished his EC appointment and VE2DFE has taken over. He will also take over the area of Notre Dame de Grace from VE2CA, who continues with the rest of his area. VE2CRT has a preparation course for aspiring amateurs. Jun. is the month for the SET; let us show what we can do. VE2ADE got very good experience along with VE2DJB, VE2DFE, VE2EV, VE2BOP, VE2CU, VE2AVP, VE2ALE, VE2ZA and VE2BU in handling over four hundred messages for a recreation club car rally. Nomination forms are available at this address for the contest and the v.h.f. repeater selection to the Advisory Committee. Le Radio Club de Québec a tenu sa première assemblée pour la saison 1968-1969 et l'exécutive suivant a été élu: VE2AAH, prés.; VE2ASU, vice-prés.; VE2LG, secy.; VE2DBR, trés.; VE2DFR, VE2BUB, VE2AYN, VE2AJS, VE2-DEJ, dir. VE2BEP est maintenant à son nouveau QTH à Ste-Foy et se propose d'installer un beam de 20 mètres dans un avenir rapproché. VE2DEX, VE2DHZ, VE2-DIE, VE2DIB, VE2DII, VE2DID et VE2DJK sont des nouveaux amateurs de la région de Québec. Traffic: VE2-ADDE 903, VE2BRD 62, VE2BVS 61, VE2DR, 61, VE2ALE 48, VE2AJD 33, VE2OJ 22, VE2EC 20, VE2PJ 16, VE-2CP 14.

SASKATCHEWAN—SCM, Gordon C. Pearce, VE5-HP—The reports received from VE3CJ and our local delegate, VE5BU, give hopes that we may look forward to further consideration of the licence fee increase. The unity amongst Canadian hams was evident in the strong case placed before the meeting with the DOT officials. Our Saskatchewan Amateur Traffic Net, ably headed by VE5PX, meets each evening on 3680 at 0230. Norm insists that "No operator is too slow for this net (some may be too fast)." Our new QSL Manager in Saskatchewan is VE5JI, 2328 Grant Road, Regina. Lloyd asks everyone likely to have cards come to him, to send in an SSA Envelope (remember the increase in postage rates). Once again we ask all our Saskatchewan hams to please send your SCM news so we can keep this column full of interesting items. Traffic: VE5BO 32, VE5LQ 12, VE5PX 9, VE5VO 8, VE5UB 3, VE5KZ 2, VE5PZ 2, VE5SC 2, VE5BD 1.

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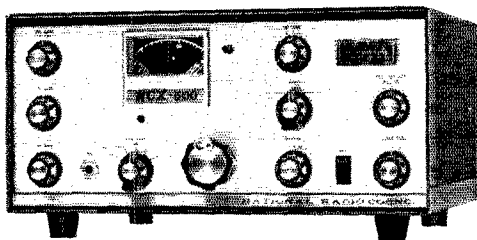
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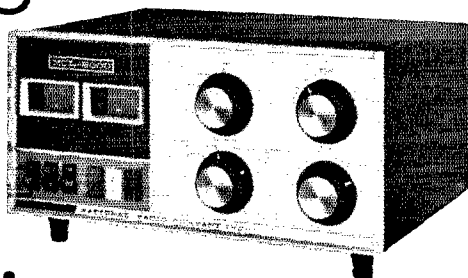


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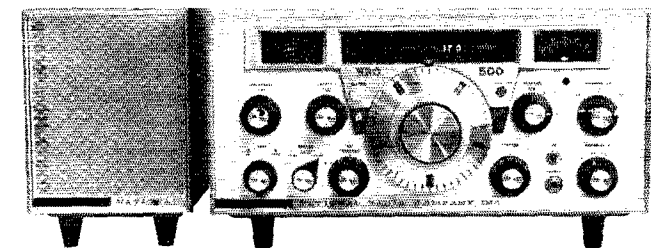
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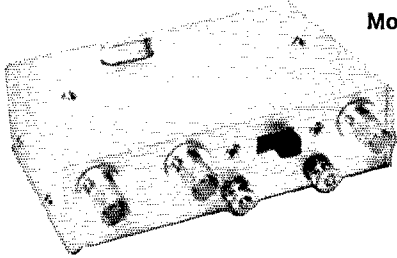
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I came upon an interesting statistic the other day: One out of every three Americans alive today is under 15 years of age. Undoubtedly, the ratio is even higher among the underprivileged, the ghetto poor. This means that a vast segment of our population will be reaching employment age in the next five or six years. It means that someone has got to try to steer them into the right channels of interest, toward constructive lives and careers.

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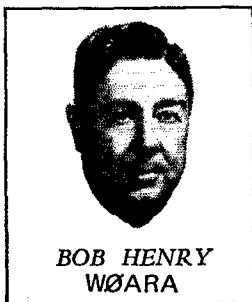
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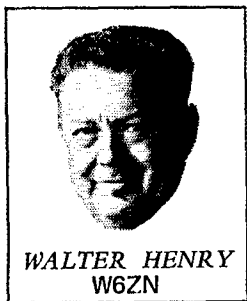
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SET Announcement

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active part of your locality's (town, city, county or whatever) emergency preparedness program.

See You Jan. 25-26!

There will be lots of traffic floating around. Red Cross chapters, this year, have been asked to file their inter-chapter and chapter-to-area traffic into the regular amateur traffic nets. Local ECs and ROs are being asked to file traffic to headquarters. All amateurs participating are being asked to file traffic to someone, the farther away the better. The object is to load the nets, especially NTS, with traffic to keep them busy and test their efficiency during peak traffic conditions. No matter how much traffic we simulate, it's not likely that we can fully simulate the load that would exist during a real nationwide emergency.

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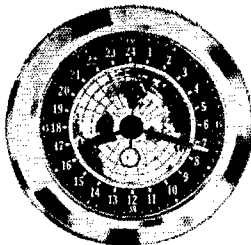


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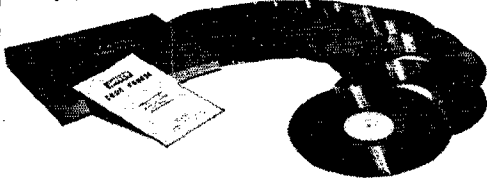
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3) *QSOs*: Contacts must include certain information sent in the form as shown in the example. QSOs must take place on the 80-, 40-, 15-, or 2-meter bands. Crossband contacts are not permitted. C.w. to phone, c.v. to c.w., phone to c.w. contacts are permitted. Novices work any amateur stations; non-Novices work only Novices. Valid points can be scored by contacting stations not working in the contest, upon acceptance of your number and section and receipt of a number and section. A station may be worked only once, regardless of band.

A Novice may operate in the Novice portion of the competition until he receives his General Class License, then must operate as a non-Novice entry.

4) *Scoring*: Each exchange counts one point. Only one point may be earned by contacting any one station, regardless of the frequency band. The total number of ARRL sections (see page 6 of this *QST*) worked during the contest is the "section multiplier." Yukon-N.W.T. (VE8) also counts as a multiplier. A fixed scoring credit may be earned by entrants who hold ARRL Code Proficiency certificates. If an entrant does not hold a CP award he can apply for credit by attaching to his Roundup report a copy of qualifying run from W6OWP, January 2 or February 5, or from W1AW, January 11 or February 11, CP credit equals the w.p.m. speed indicated on the latest certificate or sticker held by the entrant. The final score equals the "total points" plus "Code Proficiency credit" multiplied by the "section multiplier."

5) *Reporting*: Contest work must be reported as shown in the sample form. Reporting forms and a map of the United States will be sent free upon request. Indicate starting and ending times for each period on the air. All Roundup reports become the property of ARRL and must be post-marked not later than March 1, 1969.

6) *Awards*: A certificate award will be given to the highest-scoring Novice in each ARRL section. Multioperator stations are not eligible for awards.

7) *Disqualifications*: Failure to comply with the contest rules or FCC regulations are grounds for disqualification. ARRL Contest Committee decisions are final. **QST**

Notes on The Heath Gear

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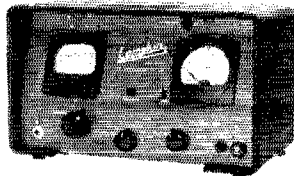
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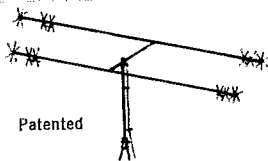
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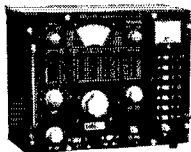
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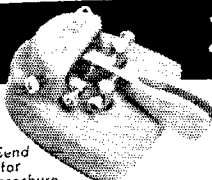
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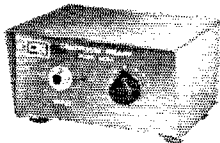
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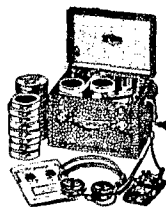
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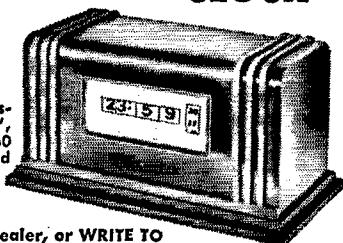
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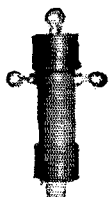


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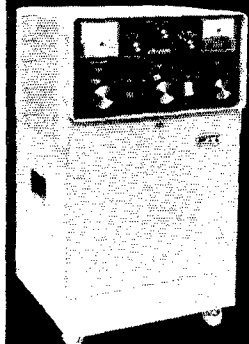
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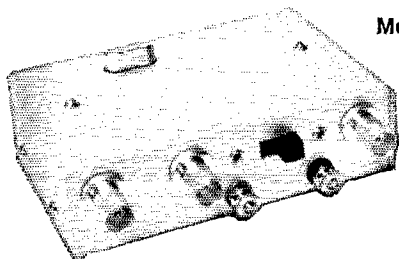
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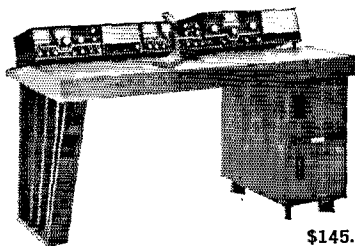
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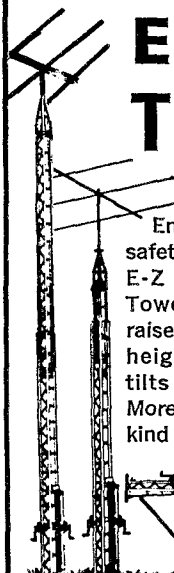
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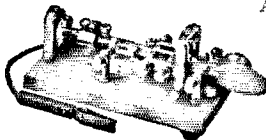
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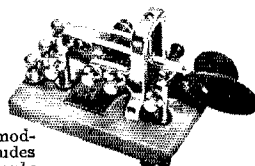
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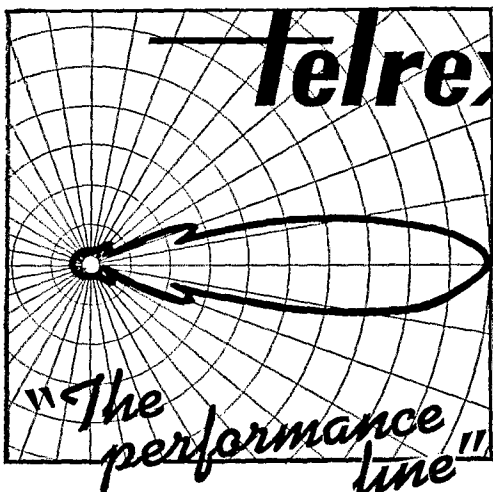
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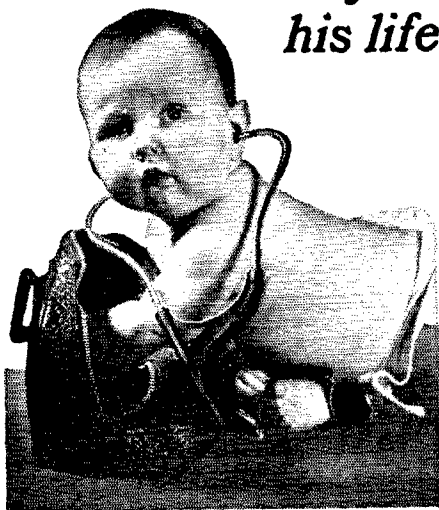
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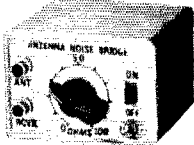
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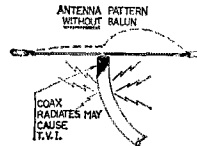
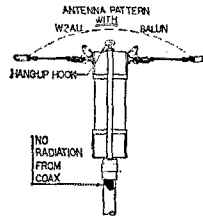


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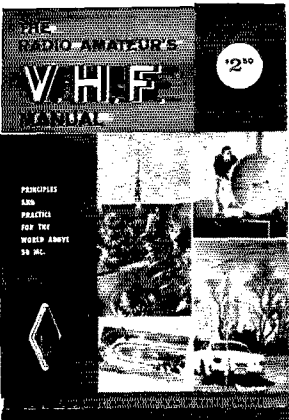
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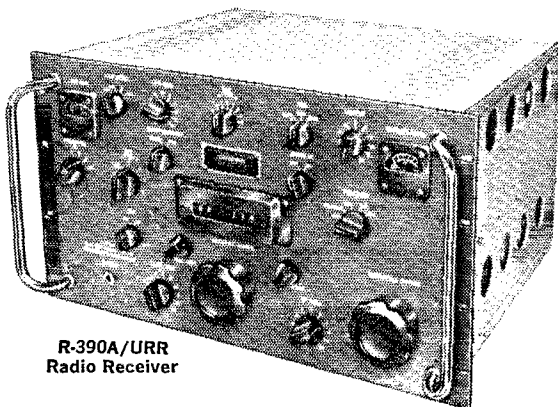
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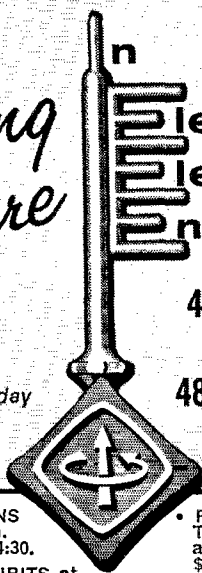
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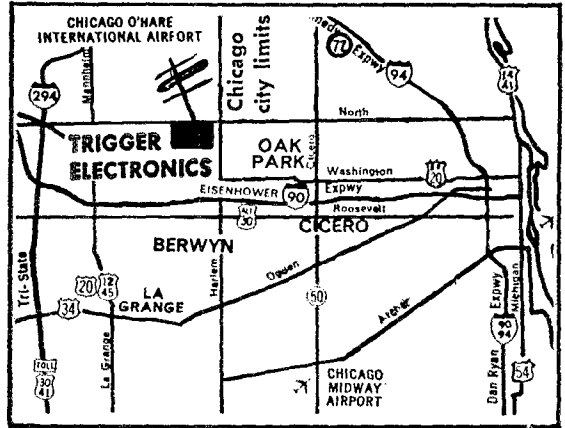
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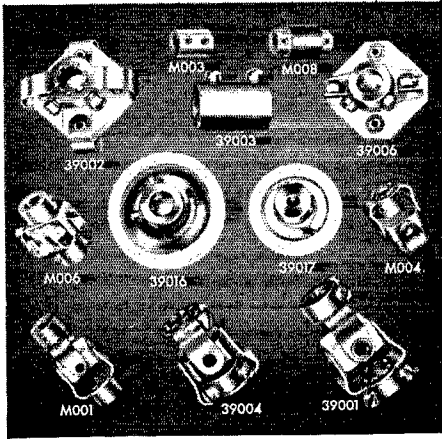
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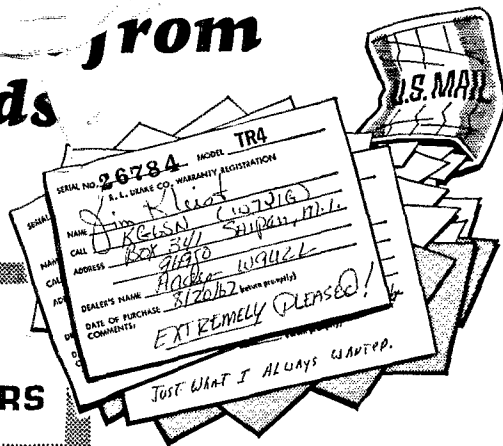


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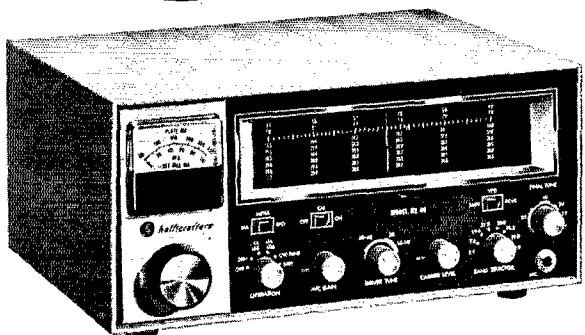
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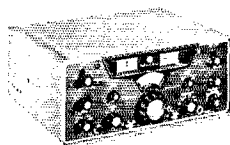
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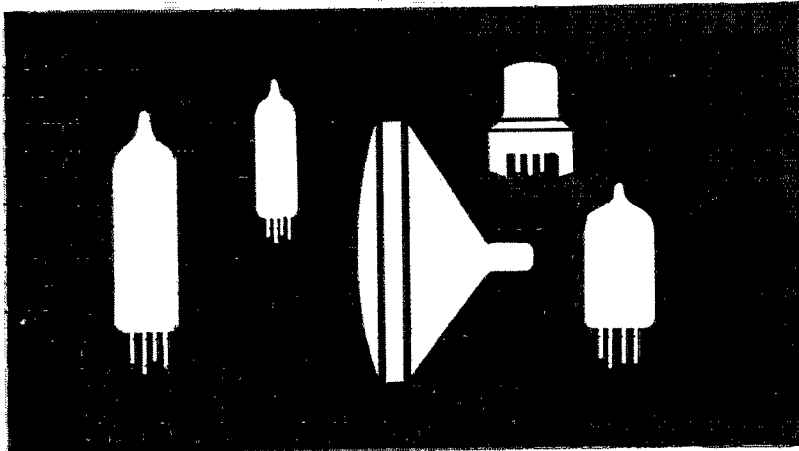
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