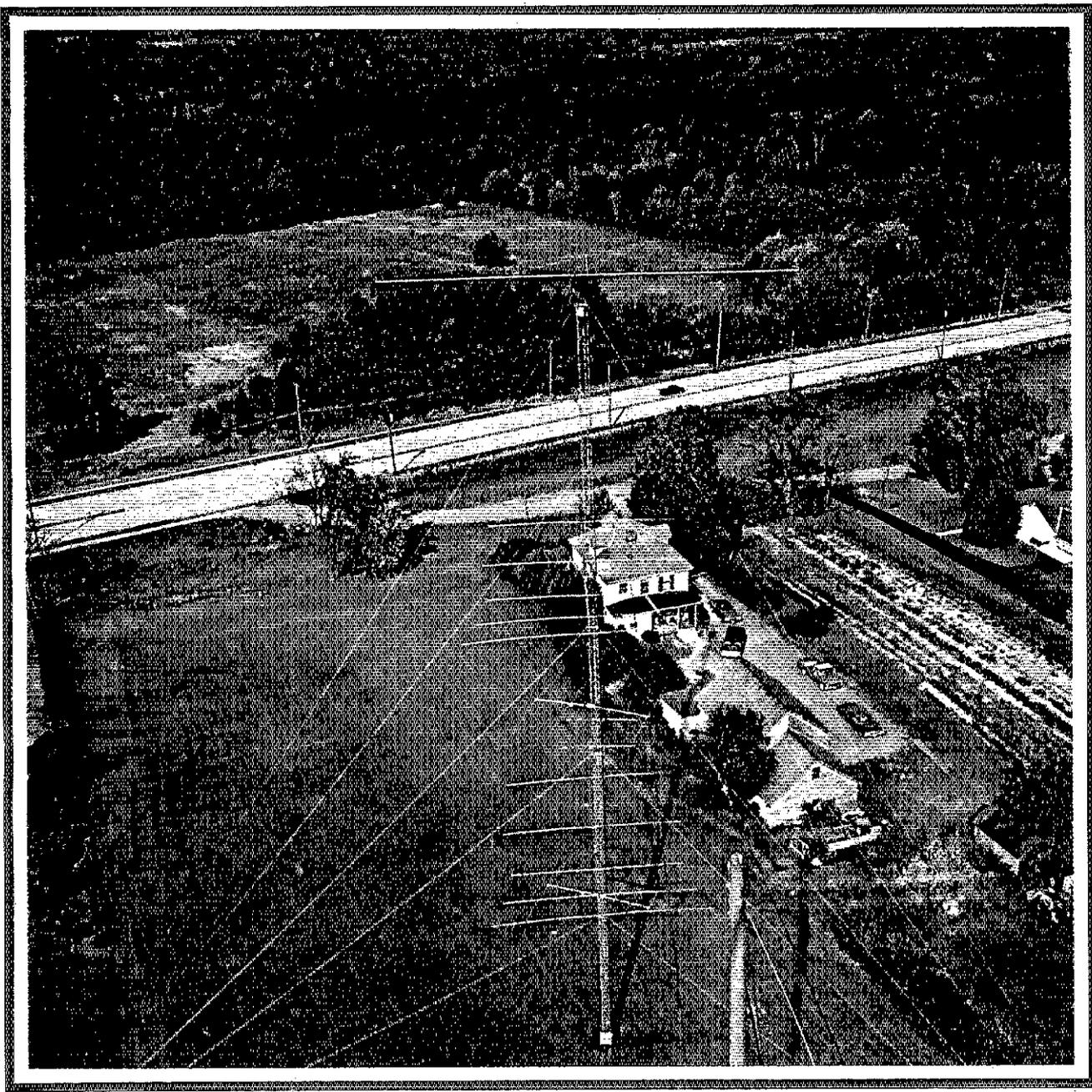


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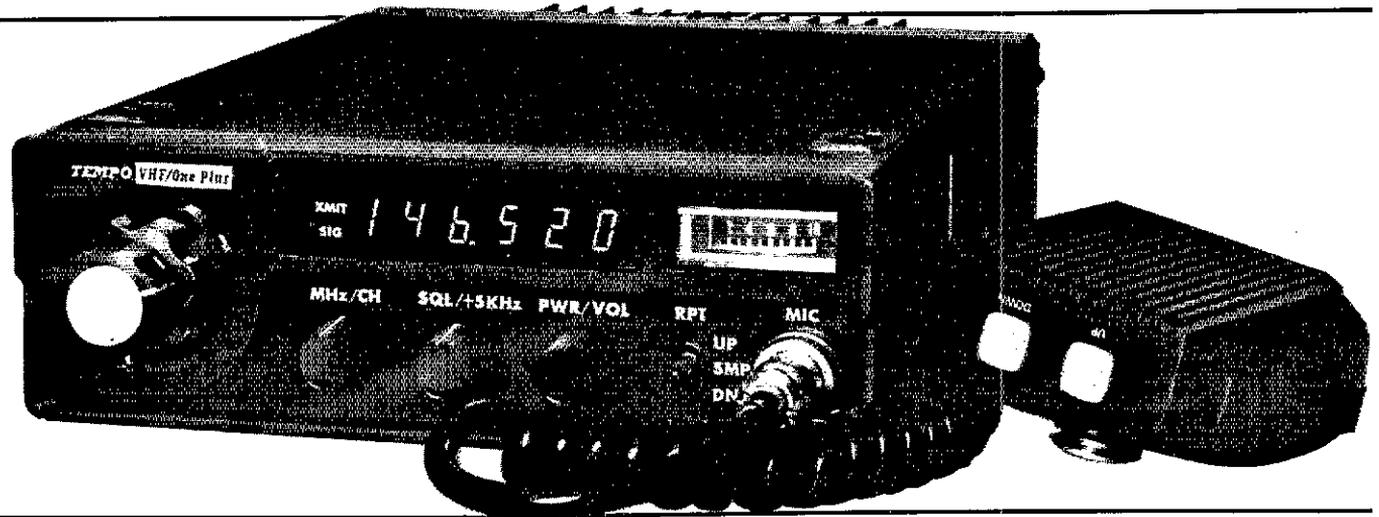
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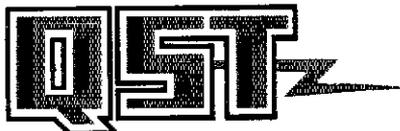


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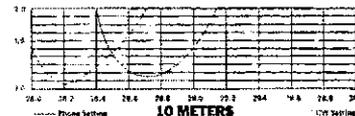
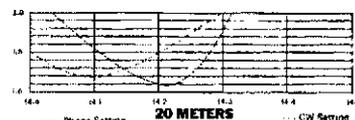
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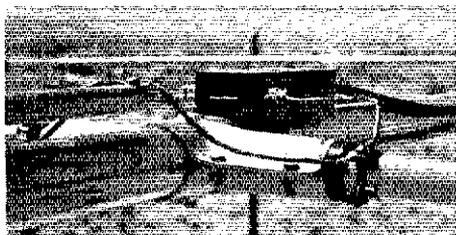
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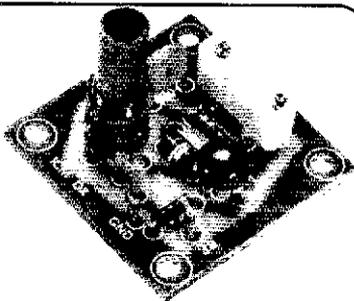
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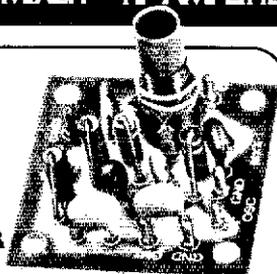
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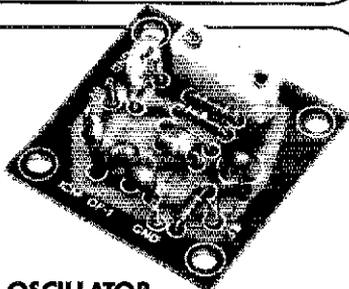
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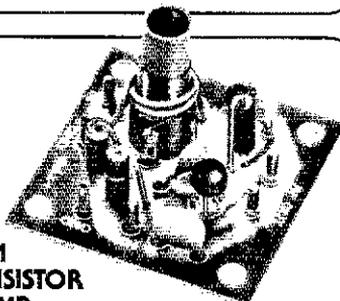
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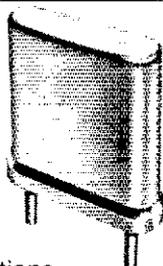
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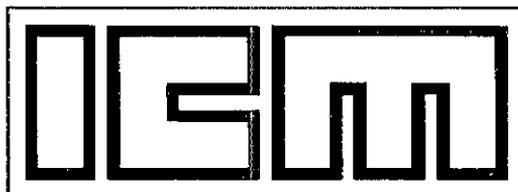
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"It Seems to Us..."

WARC in a Magnetic Field

It is natural for people or groups of people to look at their problems in isolation. As amateur operators our thoughts often terminate with such considerations as SWRs or how many countries we have worked for DXCC. As members of the amateur fraternity, we tend to hold the ARRL responsible for our welfare on sizable chunks of the radio frequency spectrum. As Americans, we expect our government to protect us in international councils.

Such comfortable nostrums are not as valid as they once were. They need to be adjusted to the realities of a world significantly changed by a communications revolution in which amateur radio has made its modest contribution. In anticipating WARC, none of us can ignore outside forces which, like a magnetic field, will affect its deliberations.

1) *Political logrolling.* When the first postwar international radio conference was held in 1947, the United Nations numbered just over 50. Since then there has been a veritable explosion of new nations. At WARC in 1979, some 153 nations will be voting.

In 1947, our country had embarked with missionary zeal on what turned out to be a short-lived Pax Americana. At the United Nations, we rammed through such issues as the creation of Israel. For a score of years, by intensive "arm twisting," we mobilized the votes to prevent Communist China from being admitted. During the Korean war, we put through a "Uniting for Peace" resolution, designed to bypass Russia's vetoes in the Security Council. We relied on our ability to deliver a majority of the votes at the General Assembly.

Those days are past. Our chickens have come home to roost. A new majority, comprised primarily of the emergent nations, encouraged by the Communist countries, is ramming through resolutions. Issues are decided, not necessarily on their merits, but through a coalition of special interests. Frequently, the decisions are in defiance of positions which we Americans strongly hold.

The climate at the United Nations inevitably affects its auxiliary agencies. It is devoutly to be hoped that by 1979, all nations will better appreciate that the common interest should transcend special interests and that issues should be decided, not by logrolling, but on their merits. To this end, progress toward the resolution of tensions in the

Middle East and in Africa could make a major contribution.

2) *Economic disparities.* Per-capita income in the United States is about \$6,600 annually. But 2.5 billion of the world's four-billion people are subsisting for a whole year at incomes less than the price of a 2-meter transceiver. With only five percent of the population, the United States produces 24 percent of the gross planetary product and consumes one-third of the world's energy. Some 73 percent of the world's population shares in only 21 percent of the planet's production of goods and services. The Less Developed Countries are burdened with a \$186 billion external debt. It will increase by \$47 billion this year.

In absolute terms, this chasm between rich and poor nations is growing wider. Not surprisingly, tensions are rising. The LDCs have banded together to demand a New International Economic Order. Simplistic proposals for massive resource transfers are not the answer, but a more equitable international economic system must be found. It is interesting that even though plunged into deeper debt by the oil price hikes, Third World countries have muted their criticism of the OPEC countries. They are undoubtedly comforted by the belief that OPEC's actions are puncturing the smugness of the Developed Nations.

Under the circumstances, it is conceivable that many small and poor nations at WARC may construe American support for amateur radio as just another symbol of the determination of the Developed Countries to dominate them through some sort of economic hegemony. The problem, of course, is not only to divorce amateur radio from such international economic implications but to persuade our friends in the LDCs that amateur radio could make a technological contribution to their economic development.

3) *Finite resources.* In dramatic terms, people everywhere are learning that the natural resources of this planet are finite. During my recent visit to the Middle East, I was told that Saudi Arabia, without ever exploring for another drop of oil, can continue its daily production, half America's total consumption, until the year 2037. Yet, even in Saudi Arabia, the day will come when petroleum reserves will be exhausted.

It strikes me that we radio amateurs should keep in mind that the radio spectrum is also a finite resource. Should we not ask ourselves sensitive questions? Are we unleashing excessive kilowatts of rf or spurious radiations, creating unnecessary RFI problems and complaints to the FCC? Can we utilize efficiently, and in accordance with our high purposes, the frequency bands we are demanding, or are we seeking frequencies which will lie idle and unavailable to equally justified claimants? In any case, should we not, in the general cause of conservation, be doing more to assist in the development of alternatives which will assure a less extravagant utilization of the finite radio frequency spectrum? In short, should we not, in being true to our past, strive with increased dedication to improve the state of the art?

In pointing out that WARC in 1979 will be influenced by the magnetic field in which it occurs, we need not conclude that the cause of amateur radio will be overwhelmed. There are many positive forces.

WARC is essentially a technological conference. When scientists get together, political factors tend to play a less important role. Another positive factor is the splendid growth of the amateur radio community throughout the world. The Japanese, the Europeans, the Latin Americans, and the Soviet Union with its friends, all support active amateur operations. In these and other countries, the International Amateur Radio Union, under Noel Eaton's able direction, is intensively developing maximum support for the amateur cause.

While casting only one vote among 153, the United States still has great weight, even though it may not be as decisive as in earlier conferences. The ARRL is mounting a major endeavor, collaborating with the FCC and other governmental authorities, in planning for 1979. Every amateur who values his hours on the air should give the League and our government wholehearted support.

Such support means full cooperation in the campaign to gain worldwide support for the amateur cause at WARC. But it also means realizing that the climate in 1979 can be a determinant. Thus it behooves amateurs to interest themselves and encourage our government as it addresses the major international issues of our time. Our fate at WARC cannot but be improved by the reduction of tensions between nations, by insuring a better living for people everywhere, and by conserving this planet's precious resources, while at the same time developing new technologies to assure the continued progress of civilization. — W3ACE

League Lines...

This month's guest editorial is by Armin Meyer, W3ACE, former U.S. ambassador to Iran and Japan, and still very much involved in international affairs. These remarks were originally presented at the Northwestern Division Convention on July 30, and we are honored to be able to give them wider distribution this month in QST.

You asked for it -- now it's here! Rip-off and fire insurance for your rigs, whether at home or in your car, sponsored by your League for its members only. There's info on page 58 of September QST; a brochure will be in the mail to members soon. One improvement: Since the September article, we've secured assurances that members in Canada, Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico will have the same coverage at the same rates as members in the "lower 48" states.

Rig already been ripped off? Then register your stolen equipment in the ARRL's Stolen Equipment Registry. Updated monthly, this compilation will be available free upon request to radio amateurs and dealers as of November 1. Check the Registry before purchasing any used gear. This service is being instituted on a trial basis for one year. To register stolen equipment, ask for the stolen equipment registration card with a self-addressed, stamped envelope (s.a.s.e.).

U.S. Amateurs on or over the high seas, outside the jurisdiction of any country, have been freed of certain frequency restrictions imposed on them. Amateurs traveling within Region 2, North and South America, can now use any frequency authorized them under Section 97.61 of the rules. Amateurs traveling elsewhere can use the frequencies allocated to amateurs in the region; if in doubt, write ARRL hq. for details, enclosing a self-addressed envelope.

Use of ASCII 8 unit teleprinter code on AMSAT-OSCAR 7 has just been extended by the FCC to March 15, 1978.

November SS rule change! A Contest Advisory Committee recommendation just adopted bans the use of the 146-148 MHz FM sub-band in this and subsequent November SS; see other rules this

Amateurs in Hawaii can now use the 1800 to 1810-kHz segment of 160 meters from 4 P.M. to 8 A.M. local time, with no more than 100 watts input power. The new segment was made available to KH6s by a waiver of FCC rules, effective through July 1, 1978. The Commission has reserved the right to cancel the waiver, however, if the Coast Guard reports interference to the LORAN radionavigation system.

Know of any U.S. gals with visual problems? Whether licensed or not, they may be interested in the taped edition of YLRL publication, YL Harmonics. Further info from either Thelma J. Bolvin, WB4AUR, 2210 S.W. 27 Lane, Miami, FL 33133 or Raj S. Cauthers, K7NZO, 2310 Sleater Kinney Rd., S.E., Lacey, WA 98504.

Measuring Antenna Gain with Amateur Methods

Beat the cost of expensive test gear. Make your antenna measurements using this unique method! A VU meter, a handful of parts and this simple explanation are all you need.

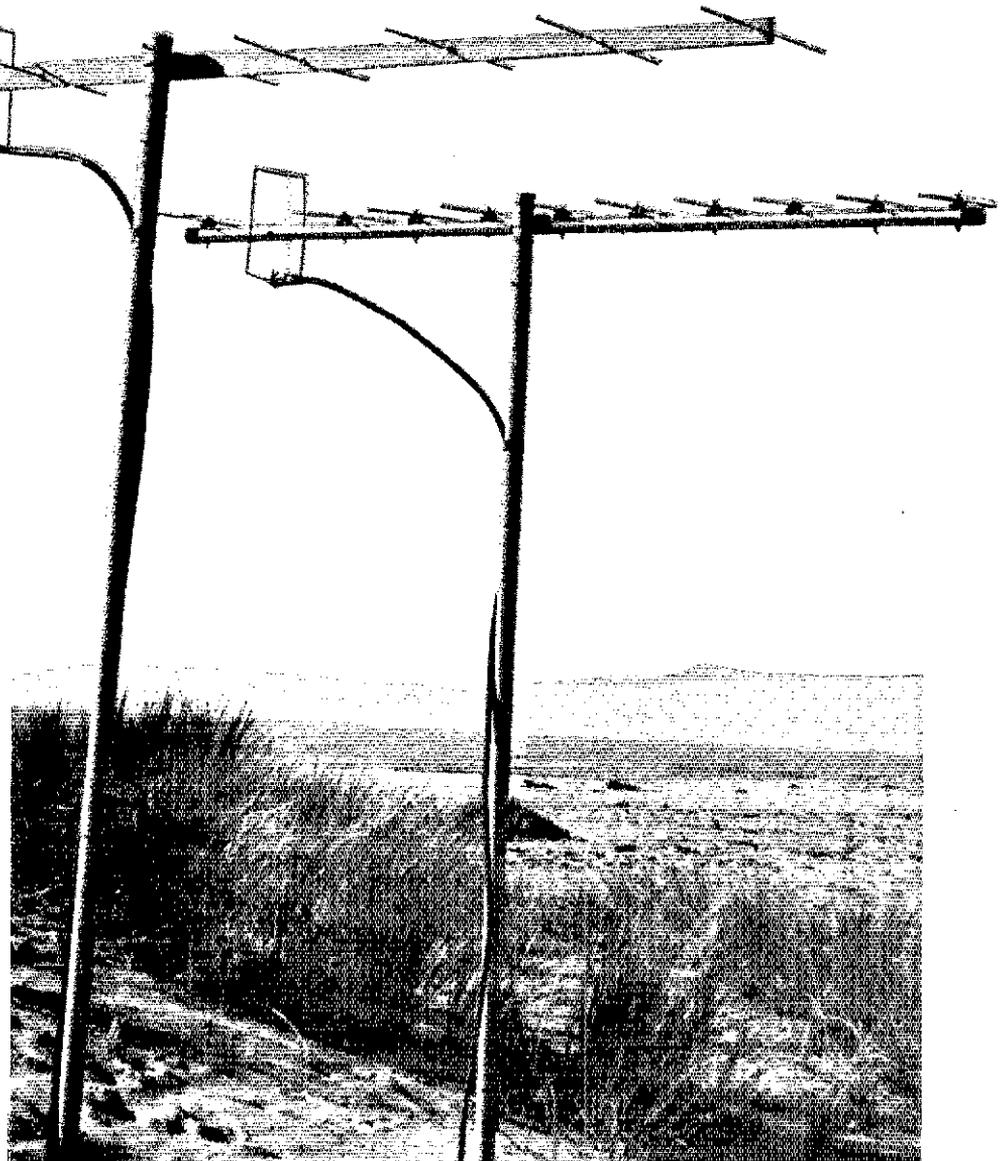
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Antenna gain has long been a mysterious subject for many amateurs. And the mystery has not been solved by the commercial antenna manufacturers, whose gain claims for their products have sometimes been written by the advertising and not the engineering department. As a result, *QST* does not accept advertising containing specific antenna-gain claims. That helps clear the air of misinformation, but many amateurs still cannot make realistic estimates of how much gain their antennas actually have to offer.

Several excellent articles have been written about the techniques used at vhf conferences to measure antenna gains. Two such articles by Clark¹ and Knadle,² in particular, suggest very good antenna-range procedures. Both describe techniques which, if properly applied, will produce accurate relative antenna-gain data (in decibels) for vhf-uhf antennas.

However, these antenna range-measurement systems require equipment most amateurs lack — ratiometers, precisely calibrated attenuators, or at least specialized detectors and commercial grade audio or VSWR meters. Moreover, setting up a near-field antenna range is a tricky business in itself. One text³ simply warns amateurs not to expect accurate antenna-gain measurements if they try it! The problem, of course, is that outdoor antenna ranges invite all sorts of error-causing reflections from various objects, not the least of them being the earth itself.

Ground reflections alone can com-



For the antenna gain-measurement technique described here, two identical masts in a clear area (here a Southern California beach) are required. With the test and reference antennas at equal heights and fed with identical feed lines, the signal produced by the two antennas is compared by rapid and repeated switching. Here an 8-element quagi is tested against an 11-element Yagi that has been modified for quagi-type drive. The modified Yagi delivers 3 dB more gain than the conventional version, but 2 dB less than the quagi.

*Footnotes appear on page 14.

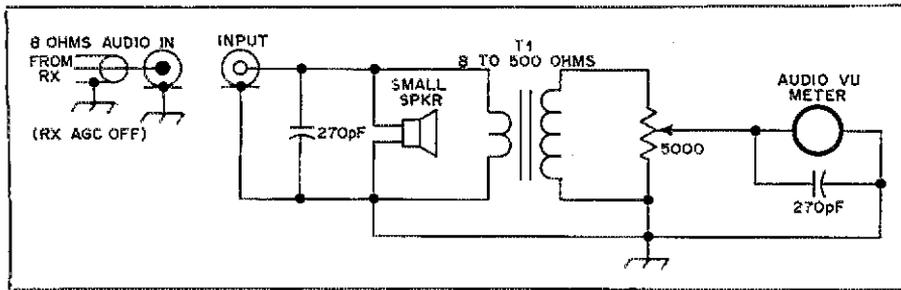


Fig. 1 — The audio VU-meter system for antenna gain measurements.

pletely invalidate the results on an otherwise good antenna range. At the 1973 West Coast VHF Conference, for instance, the author's 8-element quagi for 432 MHz⁴ was measured at precisely the same gain as a well-built 15-element Yagi more than twice its size, despite the fact (established in other tests) that the bigger antenna had 2 to 3 dB more actual gain! The problem was that, even with the sophisticated measuring equipment in use, ground reflections were distorting the results. The best "gain" indication came with both antennas within a few inches of the earth, and the smaller quagi with its lower *Q* didn't mind the detuning effects of the earth's proximity as much as the bigger and higher *Q* array.

With results like that, wild claims are sometimes made for one vhf antenna or another. And the claims may be even wilder on the hf bands, where an amateur may well be told his signal is two or three S units louder than another ham's signal when the actual gain difference between the two antennas is insignificant. The ham who "won" the comparison by several S units, of course, is likely to go away thinking his antenna is 12 or 18 dB better than the other guy's,

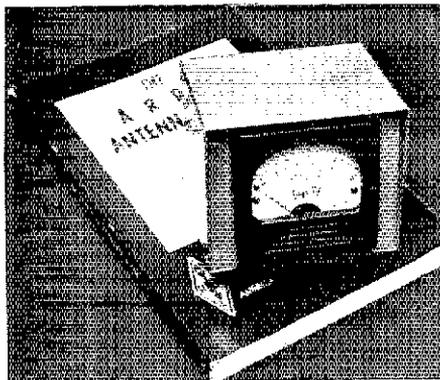


Fig. 2 — This small box houses all the test equipment required for antenna gain measurements using the technique described here. The front-panel audio VU meter is calibrated directly in decibels, with readout possible to about 0.2 dB in the most expanded part of the scale. Not visible are the meter level potentiometer (on rear), and small speaker which is mounted downward.

since S meters are supposed to show 6-dB signal difference per S point.

A Better Way

This article describes a more reliable and valid way to estimate antenna gain, and without expensive or hard-to-find test equipment. The technique requires only this equipment: a cooperative nearby ham with a transmitter capable of generating a few watts of steady carrier, a receiver whose agc can be turned off, an ordinary audio VU meter, and some antennas to measure.

The technique is nothing more than a more rigorous application of the test procedure radio amateurs have always used when they asked for "comparison" signal reports. It takes advantage of the fact that audio VU meters, unlike S meters, are calibrated directly and fairly accurately in decibels, with easy readout down to fractions of a dB. And with the agc turned off, most receivers will closely reproduce changes in the signal input at the antenna terminals with corresponding changes in audio output until they are badly overloaded.

This means that a nearby amateur's signal transmitted at a reasonably low power level can be used to compare the gain of various antennas by rapidly switching back and forth between them and averaging the results.

The only trick is to use a "test signal" that is coming from a point source — not a signal that is being reflected from surrounding objects. If your test antennas can "see" the signal source a few miles away and are well clear of nearby objects (and clear of the earth itself), valid results should be attainable if the procedures below are followed.

The author has spent many hours working with both local antenna ranges covering a few dozen wavelengths, and on-the-air signals from local stations. It is apparent that ground reflections and other such error sources are less serious problems when a steady, on-the-air carrier a few miles away — and not a local signal a few dozen wavelengths away is the signal source.

Test Procedures

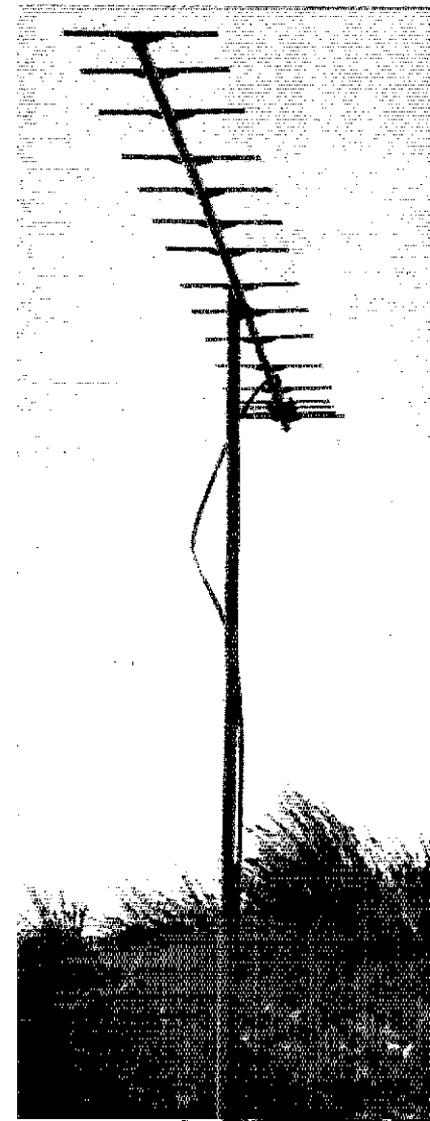
Here's how the procedure works at

vhf (at hf, it's a little more complicated because antennas are larger, as we'll see later):

1) Build an audio VU metering circuit like the one shown in the photo and Fig. 1. All parts should be readily available anywhere that consumer electronics parts are sold. The speaker and meter-gain control are handy to have when the receiver itself is located some distance away from the antenna test site, but they aren't absolutely essential.

2) Get a nearby amateur (perhaps one to five miles away) to generate a steady carrier into an antenna of the same polarization as your test antenna. A small beam pointed toward your test site is much better than a dipole groundplane antenna because it is less likely to invite reflection error. A beam pointed somewhere else is worst of all.

3) Two of the antennas to be tested should be set up side by side, with identical lengths of feed line going to coaxial relay or well-isolated switch. The two supporting poles should be high enough that the test antennas are at least two wavelengths above ground



(13 feet or more at 2 meters) and clear of nearby obstructions. To minimize interaction between the two antennas, the two masts should also be at least one to two wavelengths apart and standing side by side in relation to the signal source.

4) Make sure you can raise and lower your antennas and move them from side to side by at least a full wavelength or so (81 inches at 2 meters) without the indicated signal varying more than about 1 dB. If you can't do that, you probably have reflection problems that will have to be solved before you can make valid readings. If this is the case, try different sites until you do achieve nonspotty reception.

5) Check the receiver age to be sure it is off; then rapidly switch between the two antennas and record the difference in decibels. Do it several times and calculate the average figure (the mean, for statisticians).

6) Next reverse the two antennas. Put antenna no. 1 on mast no. 2 and attach it to feed line no. 2. Move

antenna no. 2 over to mast no. 1 and feed line no. 1. Do not eliminate this step and expect valid results.

Now run the test again. If there are more than very slight differences from the previous test, one antenna or the other is seeing some obstruction or reflection source. Your site isn't clear enough for good results; try a different one.

Since this test procedure requires only receiving, there is no reason not to perform it somewhere other than at home — anywhere that is clear of obstructions. Use a receiver or transceiver that runs on battery power, if necessary.

7) If you have followed steps one through six, you now have an accurate indication of the relative gain of your two antennas. Now you can make one of your antennas a "reference" antenna and compare any other antennas you or neighboring hams have against this reference.

So how do you determine how much gain your antennas have over a dipole?

Some people would say, "Simple, make the reference antenna a dipole." But it may not be that easy, because dipoles are notorious for finding reflections that more directional antennas can't "see." At vhf conference gain-measurement seminars, dipoles have sometimes shown as much as 3 or 4 dB gain over a dipole!

The best reference antenna is probably a small beam of known (or approximately known) gain, assuming you don't have the National Bureau of Standards type of reference antenna that professionals use for this purpose. A three-element Yagi or a two-element quad built to handbook dimensions will usually deliver about 6 dB gain over a dipole at 2 meters, if the SWR is okay at the design frequency.

Thus, if you find that a particular eight-element antenna consistently produces 4.5 more dB on the VU meter than your little reference beam, you'll know you have an antenna with about 10.5 dB gain. You won't be exactly correct, but you'll be close to the right figure. Conversely, if your bigger beam doesn't show much gain over the small one, and there are no measurement errors of the sort just described, you'll know for sure that something is wrong with the big antenna.

Once you have established the integrity of your test site, you can even design your own antennas very accurately, using the audio VU-meter technique. To do that, set up your reference antenna and begin designing your new antenna by putting an empty boom on the other pole. Now start with two or three elements, get a decent SWR and try adding more elements.

As you add elements, you will be able to actually see where each new element "wants to be" on the boom, and you can see your new antenna gain over the reference antenna increase as you go along. Try all sorts of element lengths and spacings as you progress.

Antenna design professionals call this process "perturbation" and they do it with sophisticated mathematics, but you can design antennas that work just as well as theirs on your own antenna

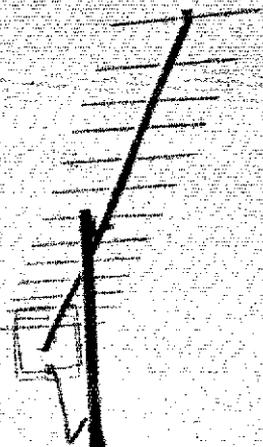


Fig. 3 — Here a 15-element long-boom quagi for 432 MHz is compared to a 16-element log-periodic Yagi, using the test procedure described in this article. The two antennas both deliver 15 dB gain over a dipole, decisively better than any other 432-MHz antenna tested here. The antennas to be tested are set up side by side and fed with identical lengths of coax. The antennas should be at least two wavelengths above ground and clear of nearby obstructions. To minimize interaction between the two antennas, the masts should also be at least one to two wavelengths apart, and standing side by side in relation to the signal source.

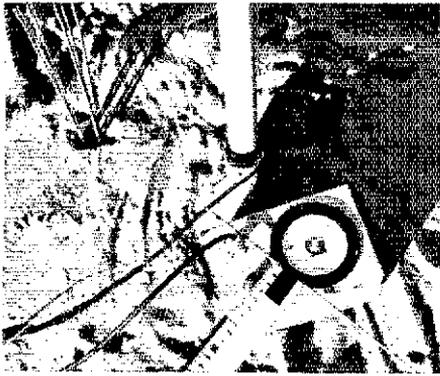


Fig. 4 — An earlier version of the metering system in Fig. 1, with assorted elements of various lengths and the yardstick used to make temporary placements on the boom.

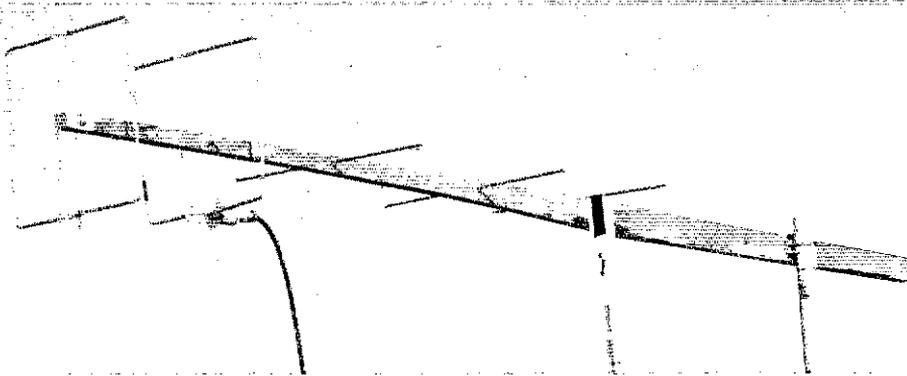


Fig. 5 — This photo shows the technique used to design a new vhf or uhf antenna experimentally. The boom is shown with the first few elements already in place, and each additional element is adjusted back and forth on the boom until a point of maximum indication on the VU meter is found.

range, once you master this technique. Then, if you do go to a vhf conference with your best home-designed antennas, you'll know about how much gain they have before you enter the gain contest. And you'll never come away from such an event with an antenna that has "minus 3 dB gain!" Moreover, you'll know that your measurements, made without any of the sophisticated equipment you saw at the vhf conference, are about as accurate as anybody's. In fact, you may find your own measurements are more valid than the ones at the conference, especially if the antenna-gain figure jumps all over the place when you raise and lower it at the conference antenna range.

HF Antenna Measurements

So far, all of this has been devoted to vhf antenna-gain measurements. Many readers will say, "That's fine, but I want to measure the gain of my five-element 20-meter beam!" Of course, an audio VU meter and a receiver without agc are a much better way than the notoriously inaccurate S meter to compare two dissimilar hf antennas. The author has seen an S meter show three or four *S* units of signal difference between two antennas that are really only 3 or 4 dB apart in gain.

However, the only accurate way to calculate the gain of an antenna is to compare it to a reference antenna at the

same height and then switch the two antennas to opposite masts to validate the data. That may be impractical at hf, but perhaps not as much so as it seems at first. Most amateurs motivated enough to install a five-element beam on a crankup tower can probably find a way to temporarily set up a smaller beam (not a dipole) on a 20-foot mast above a roof. Then the two antennas at identical heights can be compared on stable, line-of-sight signals.

The results of this test can be invalidated by obstructions or even by other antennas mounted on the same tower with the test antenna, but at least this will be more valid than a comparison against another ham's readings, when the two locations and rigs may be entirely different.

And if you can switch your test reference hf antennas to opposite masts, you can measure the actual gain of one over the other. One suggestion before you put that giant, long-boom array on the big tower: Put a little beam on the tower and an identical one on the rooftop mast and perform the audio VU-meter tests to see if the two antenna sites do seem to be identical. If they are comparable, then you can put the big antenna on the tower and find out how much gain it has, if any, over the small one on your roof when the two are at the same height.

This may seem cumbersome, and in fact it is! That's why most antenna

designers do their research at vhf where antennas are so nice and small, and then scale their best designs up for the hf bands. But if you really want to know your big beam's actual gain, this is probably the easiest way to find out.

Conclusions

The antenna gain-measuring technique described in this article has repeatedly been proved to be reliable and valid. The author has used it to design new antennas that work well enough for all kinds of contest and DX work, including moonbounce. For a dedicated amateur, working DX on a home-designed antenna far surpasses the thrill of working the same DX with an antenna purchased at a store! But remember, whether you're working 20 meters or 23 centimeters, a signal source, a receiver with its agc disabled and an audio VU meter are the only pieces of equipment you need to measure antenna gain with this technique.

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Optimizing Vertical Antenna Performance

Do you have tower restrictions, a small yard or patio, almost no room for antennas? If so, here are some suggestions for making your signal bigger in spite of the handicaps.

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Antennas never cease to be a hot topic of conversation among amateurs; the interesting articles by John Stanley, K4ERO/HCI¹ and Roger Hostenbach, W5EGS,² on the optimum grounding of vertical antennas have led me to communicate my thoughts on the subject. In my present location I have obstacles (typical of many suburban dwellings) which place severe limitations upon where I can place ground wires. These obstacles are large boulders, areas of concrete, the house, vegetable and flower beds, and the neighbors' property lines. It has not been possible to lay out radials of uniform length or of uniform angular distribution. Nevertheless, I *have* had successful results with vertical antennas. Although I must make a number of statements which are based upon fragmentary evidence and are lacking in scientific rigor, I believe they are useful for suggesting how others might proceed to optimize their particular situations.

I have three very dissimilar vertical antennas. Much of my discussion will pertain to their individual ground systems, although strictly speaking they cannot be independent; a change of the grounding conductors of one vertical is bound to affect the others. For brevity I shall not discuss the methods of impedance matching of the antennas as this is a topic thoroughly covered elsewhere. I *shall* mention some problems of using dissimilar antennas in a phased array, although my results are preliminary.

The three antennas are (1) a shunt-fed crank-up tower having a three-element triband Yagi on top, the height being variable from 27 to 41 feet; (2) a 40-foot insulated base-loaded antenna

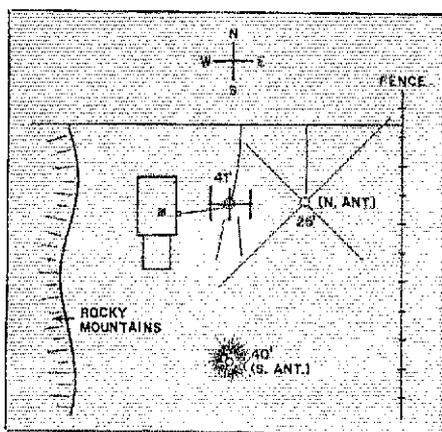


Fig. 1 — The WØJF backyard, with antenna farm.

consisting of a 30-foot pipe mast topped by a whip, located approximately 70 feet south of the tower and hereafter referred to as the "south antenna"; (3) about 20 feet east of the tower, a vertical antenna termed the "north antenna," which was described in an earlier *QST* article.³ Fig. 1 shows the layout. The north antenna has been used with various heights up to 40 feet but in the present experiments it is used in its "summer" configuration with a height of 25 feet and with a 7/14-MHz trap located 10 feet from the base. For 3.5-MHz operation additional loading is supplied at the base.

The Grounding Systems

None of the three verticals have anything approaching an optimum ground system; while the south antenna has the best on paper, it is not necessarily the best in performance. When the south antenna was first placed into operation the grounding system consisted of about 200 feet of wire dis-

tributed among a few conductors which went out more or less radially. One was about 60 feet long, the others 30 feet or less. On 7 MHz the performance was generally inferior to that of a horizontal half-wave dipole 30 feet above ground. Later, the ground system was augmented to utilize about 1000 feet of wire, and the vertical then began outperforming the dipole.

While I foresaw Stanley's statement that possibly not all of this additional wire would be effective, I assumed that any wires I added at least would do no harm, and I tried to put wires in the entire immediate area of the antenna, subject to the constraints mentioned above. Several of the radials have bends to avoid obstacles. In a few cases a single wire goes out from the antenna to a junction some distance away, and then several wires fan outward from the junction. Three wires are connected at the far ends to a few square feet of chicken wire. Where the wires are in shrubbery they are above ground; otherwise they are an inch or two below. None of the additional wires were as long as 60 feet, and the lengths were generally determined by the obstacles they encountered. Haphazard as this system was, the improvement was spectacular.

While I was making this change in the south antenna's grounding, I carried out two simple experiments. First, when I was operating at 7 MHz, I added a 33-foot piece of wire, which in free space would be $1/4 \lambda$ long, but which when laid on the ground would be longer (in wavelengths). I connected it to the rest of the ground system through a thermocouple ammeter, and read the current while applying power. With this wire then cut in half and laid out as separate radials in opposite directions, I found that the total current

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¹ See references on page 17.

increased. Cutting these $1/8\lambda$ pieces in half and distributing the resulting fragments as four radials in directions at 90 degrees to each other caused the total current to decrease. These observations lead me to conclude that for a given total amount of wire the most efficient layout would be radials having lengths of about $1/8$ a free-space wavelength. This conclusion is consistent with Stanley's Table 1.¹

In the other experiment, I also used a 33-foot piece of wire, but half of it was No. 34 and half No. 12 wire. With the thick end adjacent to the antenna, the current was higher than with the wire turned around so that the thin end was adjacent. The experiment showed that wire diameter is of some consequence, and it is more important to have heavy conductors close to the antenna.

The Tower and the North Antenna

Grounding of the tower is very heterogeneous; first of all, of course, the bottom of the tower is buried in the ground some eight feet. There are two radials about 25 feet long going in a more or less southerly direction, then a short wire going to a water faucet on the wall of the house. Finally, and probably most important, there is a wire that goes northward about 20 feet and makes a junction with the middle of a 120-foot east/west wire. The eastern end of this wire is located at the common corner with the property of the neighbor to the northeast and at that point is bonded to his extensive chain link fence. About 25 feet west of this bond to the fence, there is a junction with a southward wire which is connected to the base of the north antenna. Otherwise, the grounding system of the north antenna, consisting of a few radial wires, is as described in the earlier *QST* article.

I carried out some observations by connecting a thermocouple ammeter and a selection of capacitors and inductors in series with various conductors connected to the base of the tower. On 3.5 MHz, with the wire that goes to the fence, I found a very strong resonance using a 300-pF capacitor. I found no such resonance with this wire on 7 MHz nor on 1.8 MHz, nor did I find any resonance with any of the other wires.

No attempt has been made to bond the upper and lower sections of the tower (where they telescope) together. No such bonding seems necessary, except in the rare case of an extremely strong wind, when there is some receiver noise resulting from poor conductivity between the sections. Cranking the tower up and down seems to have little effect upon the degree of impedance mismatch.

On 3.5 MHz, using a power of about 150 watts, I have had contacts all over the world using this shunt-fed tower, usually not cranked all the way up. The south antenna has also given fairly good account of itself, but with its thousand feet of radial wires its performance is still not quite as good as that of the tower with its meager "black magic" grounding.

On 7 MHz, the behavior of the tower is the reverse even though the impedance match is somewhat superior to that

formance is obtained at maximum height. The overall performance of the tower on 7 MHz is a complete mystery to me.

I have used the tower on 1.8 MHz only rarely, but have worked as far as 1000 miles, even though there is a very bad impedance mismatch on the feed line. One of my future projects is to cure that, since the tower may be magic on the top band, too!

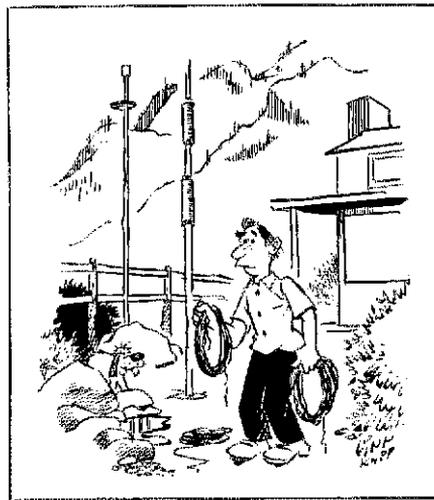
What If You Don't Have a Thermocouple Ammeter?

The preceding discussion has, I hope, suggested that individuals may be able to optimize their ground systems by measuring the currents in individual ground wires. In this regard I have been fortunate in having available a number of thermocouple ammeters, instruments not commonly available in ham shacks. However, I have found it easy to make a substitute which can serve to measure relative current and to detect resonances. Take a short length of Twin-Lead, speaker cord or similar cable, about a foot long. Connect one wire of the pair in series with the circuit to be studied (the ground wire). Connect the two ends of the other wire of the pair to a semiconductor diode and a sensitive dc meter in series (Fig. 2). For convenience and for reproducibility in results, coil the cable up and secure it to a terminal board.

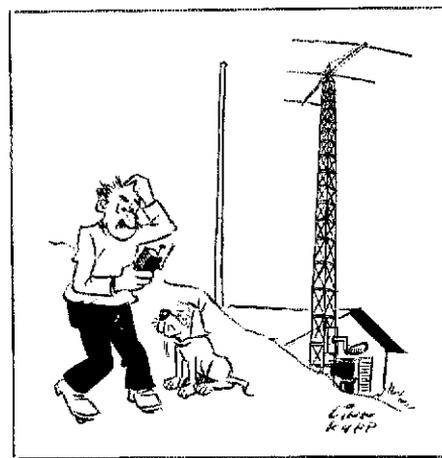
Using Dissimilar Antennas in a Phased Array

I can use any two of my three verticals as a phased array by connecting the feed lines in parallel at the transmitter. In the shack I have a switchboard so that I can switch additional lengths of line in series with one antenna or the other. I do not attempt to change the impedance match at the bases of the individual antennas, but generally retune the transmitter as the phasing is changed. Some of the effects observed must be attributed to variations in impedance mismatches rather than to basic changes in directivity. Nevertheless, some gain can usually be obtained by combining the verticals in one way or another.

In the use of two dissimilar antennas, two questions arise which may not apply when identical antennas are used. First, is there really an advantage in using the two of them in a phased array over using the better of the two alone? The relevance of this question may be seen by considering the extreme case where one is very much better than the other. In such a case the field strength of the poorer one is so much less that there is little difference whether it is in or out of phase with the field of the better one, and there can be little or no observable directional effect



How do you ground a vertical antenna when there is no ground?



Optimizing ground-wire currents is well worth the time and effort required.

on 3.5 MHz. The performance, despite the good match, is far inferior to the south antenna or even the north antenna. Offhand, one would expect the performance, such as it is, to be better with the tower cranked down to minimum height, when it would be close to $1/4 \lambda$, but the few reports I have received on the air indicate better per-

when the two are used together. Furthermore, the power supplied to the better antenna is cut in half while the other half of the power is largely wasted.

This simple argument suggests that in most cases the two antennas should be nearly equal in the field strengths they produce if they are to be effective in a phased array. However, the actual situation is sufficiently complex that exceptions may be found. For one thing, the better antenna may have "blind" directions in its pattern because of obstructions, and the poorer one may help to fill those in. Also, the impedance effects which have been mentioned before are hard to predict. I can only suggest that one may find it worthwhile to try using two such antennas together, and may find unexpected advantages in some directions.

On 3.5 MHz my north antenna is generally much poorer than the tower. However, in some directions observers have consistently reported a small gain in using the two together over the tower alone. Incidentally, it should be mentioned that observations made on receiving are not reliable tests, partly because of impedance effects. Also, some of the noise received may be generated locally and its effect may mask the true pattern of the array. The only reliable evaluation is by transmitting to distant observers.

The second question concerning dissimilar antennas involves solving for an unknown quantity: the relative phase of the field of an antenna is *not* determined solely by the length of the transmission line connecting it to a transmitter. The impedance of the antenna usually contains a reactive component, and its presence gives rise to a phase shift. With two identical antennas these phase shifts are the same and do not affect the relative phase between the two antennas, which is determined only by the difference in feed-line lengths. With dissimilar antennas these phase shifts are generally not identical, and they may vary in different ways with shifts in frequency or with variations in the moisture content of the earth. Not unrelated was a discovery I

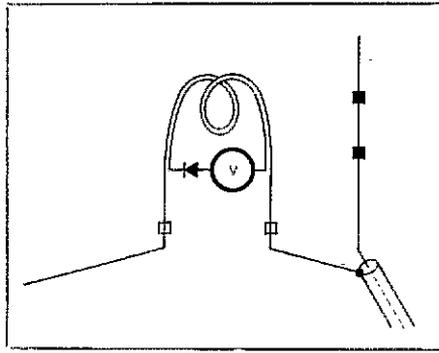


Fig. 2 — Suggested substitute for a thermocouple ammeter.

made when changing the grounding of the south antenna from 200 feet of wire to 1000. There was a substantial change in the phasing when it was used in an array with the tower.

I have experimentally answered this phasing question by setting up a small probe antenna at a point equally distant from the two antennas and connecting it to a field-strength meter. I vary the line lengths until a minimum (usually quite sharp) is observed. Then I know the antennas are 180 degrees out of phase, and the array is a bidirectional end-fire one (W8JK). If I add or subtract $1/2 \lambda$ of line from one antenna, the antennas should be in phase and a maximum should be observed. My experimental observations are in agreement with such predictions. If a length of line equal in electrical wavelengths to the spacing between the antennas is then added or subtracted from the feed line of one of them, the combination approximates a unidirectional end-fire array. The favored direction is away from the element which has the longer equivalent feed line (larger phase shift from the transmitter).

To reiterate, my results with phasing dissimilar verticals are very preliminary, and there is little I can say about them except for the fact that at times very noticeable gains over using the better single antenna are observed.

Vertical Versus Horizontal Antennas

I have used some *horizontal* antennas and have observed the differences in

performance between them and the vertical antennas at my particular location. I have not tried horizontal antennas on 7 and 3.5 MHz any higher than 30 feet above ground, however.

The first foothills of the Rocky Mountains rise up immediately to the west of my QTH, the nearest ones subtending a vertical angle of about 10 or 15 degrees. As expected, propagation to the west is usually difficult. To the east I have some power wires running north and south. The land slopes off to the north, and I have a line-of-sight view for 12 miles from the base of my antenna tower.

I find a tendency for horizontal antennas to be superior to the west, over the mountains, and for verticals to be superior to the east. Standard theory explains these findings as follows: Probably many of the signals coming over the mountains are scattered by the surface of the ground. Those familiar with advanced electromagnetic theory remember that according to the Fresnel equations, the reflection coefficient is greater when the wave is polarized with the electric vector parallel to the surface (i.e., horizontal). Therefore, this scattered radiation is probably horizontally polarized. On the other hand, the electric field from a vertical antenna is perpendicular to the direction of the power wires and is less disturbed by them than the field of a horizontal antenna.

In conclusion, I have presented very few firm results, but I hope to have suggested some procedures which will help those facing restrictions on grounding systems that they can use. I believe that with a little persistence and ingenuity they will be able to build effective antennas. It is possible to evaluate simple arrays yourself and to improve their performance according to your own communication requirements.

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The Zany Zener — Facts About This Special Diode

If you're mystified by this little guardian of electronic circuits, it's time to be enlightened! Here are some basic Zener facts for a quick review.

By Robbie Reid,* WB5VXL

Since the introduction of semiconductors over 20 years ago, hams have used increasingly large numbers of such devices in their equipment construction. — bipolar transistors, FETs, integrated circuits, and the good old diode. Each semiconductor has evolved to the point of many variations designed individually for specific uses. Originally used to rectify, the diode has propagated into a good-sized family of diverse components. Most still rectify, but some additionally change in capacitance, emit light, or perform a number of other functions. One special member of the diode family is the Zener diode.

The Zener diode, like other semiconductor diodes, has what is called a reverse-breakdown voltage. At this point, called the knee, the diode conducts current. The value at which this happens in a common silicon diode is approximately 0.7 volt.

What distinguishes the Zener diode from other diodes is that it is designed to break down at a predetermined voltage. Depending on the rating of the particular diode, the value may be any-

where from a few volts to several hundred volts.

This breakdown voltage characteristic makes the Zener diode useful as a voltage regulator. The voltage marked on the Zener is the breakdown voltage, and the diode always has that voltage across it. The Zener diode in Fig. 1 has a 10-volt breakdown voltage and is therefore called a 10-volt Zener diode. The voltage between points X and Y can be almost anything more than or equal to 10 volts. The voltage at the output, between points A and B, is exactly 10 volts! This stays constant, even though the current drawn by the load may vary considerably.

Fig. 2 shows a graph of the reverse current through a 10-volt Zener diode. The point exactly at breakdown is the minimum current needed for good

regulation. This point is at the knee, and when designing a Zener regulator, you can safely presume this value to be 5 mA.

A Good Thing Put to Use

Now that you know what a Zener diode is, how do you use it? First of all, you must remember always to use a current-limiting resistor such as R1 in Fig. 1. Without this resistor, the current through the diode will continue to climb until it destroys the diode. In the 6-volt Zener circuit shown in Fig. 3, a minimum drop of 9 volts will appear across R1. The minimum drop is found arithmetically by subtracting the 6 volts measured at the terminals of the regulator output from the minimum of 15 volts across the input terminals. Since the diode needs 5 mA for good regulation and the load on the supply output is 45 mA, we add these — obtaining 50 mA. Dividing 9 volts by 50 mA yields a resistance value of 180 ohms for R1.

$$R1 = \frac{(\text{Min. input } E) - (\text{Zener } E)}{(\text{Max. load } I) + 5 \text{ mA}}$$

To determine the wattage rating necessary for the Zener diode, find the

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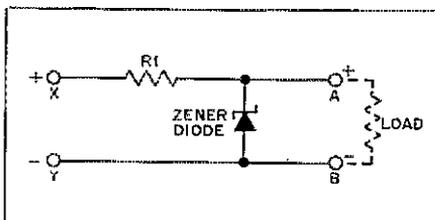


Fig. 1 — A basic Zener diode regulator circuit with the supply voltage at left, and regulated output to the load at right.

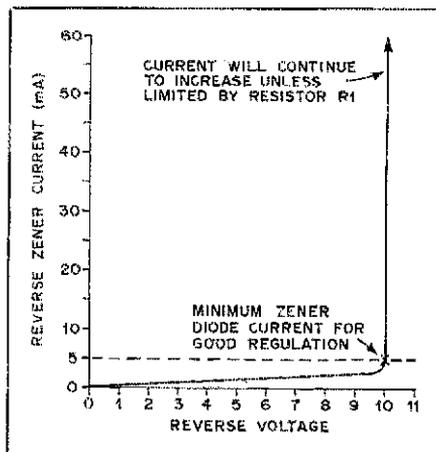


Fig. 2 — The graph shows that once the "knee" is passed, as current increases, the voltage across the diode remains constant (at 10 volts in this case). The limiting resistor must be used to keep the Zener current from increasing until diode destruction occurs.

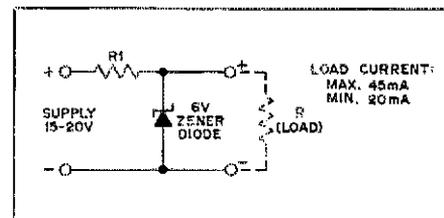


Fig. 3 — Similar to Fig. 1, but in this circuit a 6-volt Zener diode is used, and input voltage and load current demand are specified.

maximum current through the diode. The maximum wattage dissipated by R1 will be reached when the input voltage is at the highest value (20 volts) and the output current being drawn is at the lowest value (20 mA). The voltage across R1 is 20 volts minus 6 volts, or 14 volts. The power rating of the Zener diode is then determined by Ohm's Law.

$$\frac{14 \text{ volts}}{180 \text{ ohms}} = 77.8 \text{ mA}$$

$$77.8 \text{ mA} - 20 \text{ mA} = 57.8 \text{ mA}$$

$$6 \text{ V} \times 57.8 \text{ mA} = 0.347 \text{ watt}$$

Zener wattage is equal to Zener voltage times Zener current. We know the Zener voltage is 6 volts, so we must find the current. We first find the current through R1 (14 volts divided by 180 ohms) and then subtract the 20 mA of current that is always going to be drawn by the load. The balance will be going through our diode. Now the 57.8 mA that is going through the Zener is multiplied by the 6 volts across the Zener diode. The product is 0.347 watt, which rounded off gives us a need for at least a 1/2-watt rating on the diode. The general formula for determining the necessary Zener diode power rating is shown in the formula

Zener diode power rating =

$$\left[\frac{E_{\text{min.}} - E_{\text{Zener}}}{R1} - I_{\text{min.}} \right] E_{\text{Zener}}$$

Summing It Up

The two most important things to remember when using Zener diodes are *reverse biased*, and *dropping resistor*. Even though the Zener is a "special" diode, it can only perform as a Zener when reverse biased. Don't stick one in forward biased and expect it to regulate! And even reverse biased, the diode needs a current limiting resistor to keep things cool, and a cool diode lasts longer! QET

Build a UTO-1

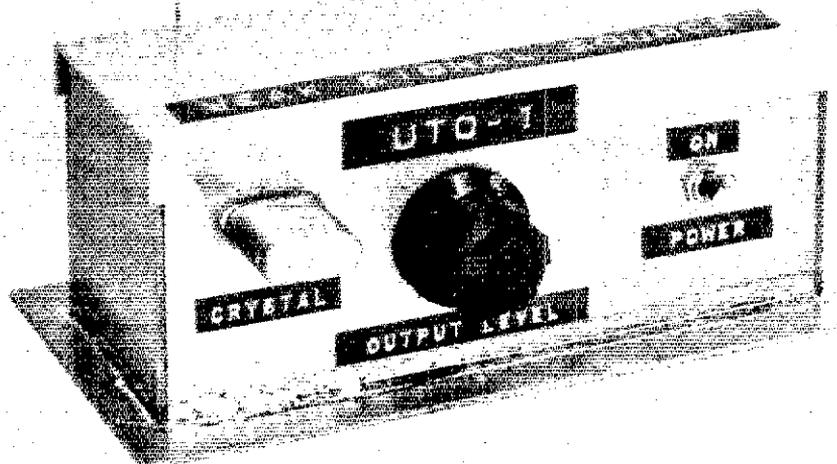
Is there a UTO — utility test oscillator — in your shack? Maybe it's time you had one for general-purpose testing. The circuit is simple, but the uses are many!

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It takes so little time to build this minitransmitter that we can't even call it a weekend project. Matter of fact, from start to finish it took the author exactly 90 minutes to assemble the pc-board case and wire the circuit. So if you deplore drawn-out workshop endeavors, you should find the UTO-1 a refreshing change from those comprehensive projects that take days or weeks to complete.

No doubt some of you are wondering what's so great about a weak-signal type of test oscillator, what it can be used for, and how often will it come in handy. Well, consider the matter of antenna testing: It's handy to have a stable (no QSB) signal source some distance from the antenna or antennas under test. It sure beats relying on amateur signals in the band of interest, as the QRM, QSB and fast break-in can cause frustration while you are trying to observe measurement results by means of the station receiver.

If you don't have a signal generator in your shop, the UTO-1 can be located



The Universal Test Oscillator shown here was built from bits and pieces of materials and parts that were readily available at the time. The enclosure is of unetched circuit-board material and aluminum. The knob is used for adjustment of the output level.

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or 30-dB-over-9 reading. This is because many S-meter circuits compress the response as the reading becomes higher, thereby making small changes in signal hard to detect.

The antenna used with the oscillator can be any length that provides ample signal output. The writer uses a piece of No. 12 copper wire which is 20 inches long. The longer the wire, the greater the signal radiation.

If Greater Output Is Needed

If for some reason the builder wants more "whomp" from the UTO-1, he can add the amplifier shown in Fig. 2. Rather than the output of Q1 being routed to the spike antenna, it is applied

to a small amplifier, Q2. It is not recommended that this circuit or that of Fig. 1 be hooked to a regular amateur antenna. The antenna could load the oscillator and prevent it from operating. Furthermore, there is no filtering in these circuits to prevent harmonics from appearing at the output. A large antenna could radiate the harmonics and cause TVI. Furthermore, if a crystal was being used for some frequency outside an amateur band, the signal could be radiated a long distance if a big antenna were used. The spike antenna will confine the radiation to the ham shack . . . right where it belongs!

The 5600-ohm resistor across RFC2 in Fig. 2 was necessary to prevent

self-oscillation of the amplifier circuit. Because the spike antenna provides no real load for the amplifier, we have what is called an *open-loop condition*. The latter can lead to self-oscillation. The resistor provides ample collector loading, thereby assuring stability.

Oh yes, another good use for the UTO-1 is realized when one wants to check crystals for proper operation and frequency. If you have a box filled with surplus crystals, this unit can be used to grade them out. Just monitor the output on a general-coverage receiver. Or use a digital frequency meter to sample the oscillator output, if you're rich enough to have such an instrument, that is! QST

Feedback

□ There's only one thing worse than an incorrect call sign — a switched photo. In the interviews with seven Hq. visitors concerning the FCC (*QST* for July), the photographs of Donald Duval, WA1WXS and George Bose, W2CJJ, were inadvertently switched. *QST* regrets the error.

□ Confusing, not so amusing . . . an error in Fig. 11 of Part 1 of Olsen's article, "Designing Solid-State RF Power Circuits," *QST* for August, 1977.

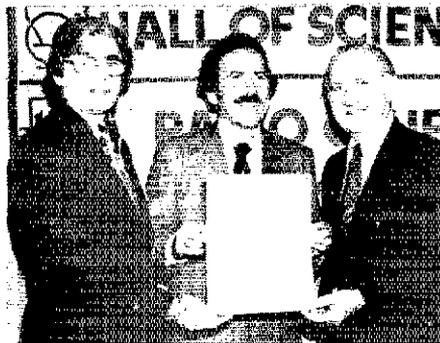
Point A is misplaced from where it should appear by reason of the blue overprint following the 1.2 constant-conductance circle. The overprint should actually appear on the 1.0 constant-conductance circle. The significance of the broken lines is also lost; they should be extensions of the 0.4 inductive-reactance curve and the 2.0 inductive-susceptance curve, and were meant to indicate completely the coordinates of Point A.

We agree, blue on black is hard to read. It was initially planned that Fig. 11 would bear a red overprint. There was a last-minute color change related to the press run and the use of blue

elsewhere in the front part of the magazine. Sorry about that, friends. — *KITD*

□ A letter quoted in "Anderson Answered: Local Hams Do the Job" (*QST* for June) implied that U.S. citizenship is needed to hold an amateur license. WD4ACF reminds us that many national publications have erroneously reported the same information. "One does not have to be a citizen," she writes. "I know. Sincerely, Mrs. Janie P. Steer, Alien Registration No. A8735213, WD4ACF, WAEL 1485, *QST*-88." The last is her auto tag number!

Strays



museum housing an active amateur station. On the right is Jim Jaffe, WB2VOS, president of the Hall of Science Radio Club.

AMATEUR RADIO DAY IN QUEENS

□ Morton Povman, ARRL Public Relations Assistant and New York City Council member, holds a proclamation by Queens Borough President Donald R. Manes declaring January 29, 1977, Amateur Radio Day. At left is Wally West, director of the Hall of Science, a

ARRL TECHNICAL EXCELLENCE AWARD

□ The ARRL Board of Directors awarded the first Technical Excellence Award to Wes Hayward, W7ZOI, in 1976 for his outstanding *QST* article, "Defining and Measuring Receiver Dynamic Range" (*QST* for July, 1975). Hayward had previously won five ARRL cover plaque awards.

The pewter cup will be awarded annually to any amateur who in the Board's view has made an outstanding single-person technical contribution to amateur radio. The 1976 award has yet to be awarded. — *WIFB*



This 7-1/2-inch pewter cup is awarded each year to an amateur who has made an outstanding technical contribution to amateur radio. This attractive award awaits future winners.

Designing Solid-State RF Power Circuits

Part 3: Biasing of transistors, mechanical construction considerations and more. With this conclusion of the series the experimenter can set out in earnest to "roll his own."[†]

By Richard K. Olsen,* N6NR

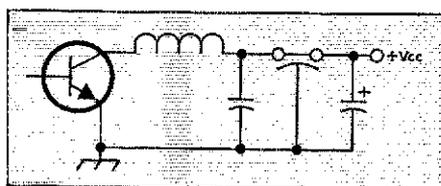


Fig. 22 — Collector supply decoupling.

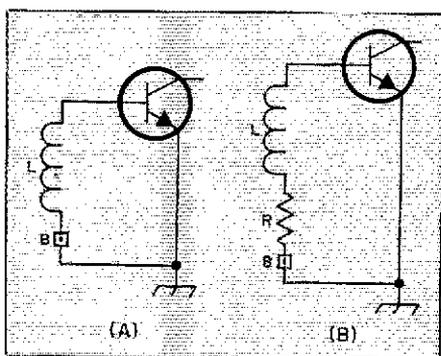


Fig. 23 — Two ways of biasing a transistor for Class C operation. B — ferrite bead.

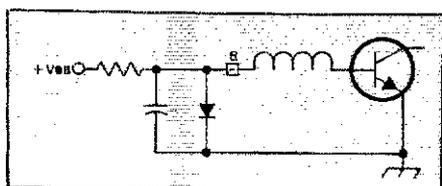


Fig. 24 — Method of biasing a transistor for Class AB operation.

In Parts 1 and 2 of this article, we have seen how to plot via the Smith Chart and ascertain the amount of transformation presented by inductors, capacitors and microstriplines. By a practical example we have designed an input and an output circuit for a solid-state amplifier for 450 MHz. The final step in generating our schematic approximation of the amplifier will be to come up with a method of biasing the transistor. There are many ways to accomplish this, but the primary objective is to apply a dc potential to the transistor without affecting the rf properties of the circuit. Essentially the bias circuits must have a low impedance for dc and a high impedance for rf.

A method of applying collector supply voltage (V_{CC}) is demonstrated in Fig. 22. Coming off the collector, the rf first sees a large inductive reactance. This amount of reactance must, at absolute minimum, be 10 times the value of the Z_{OL} of the transistor at the lowest operating frequency. At 420 MHz this would be an inductive reactance of about 35 ohms. This corresponds to an inductance of about 12.5 nH. We must also be careful so as not to cause the inductor to become self-resonant at or near the operating frequency. The higher we go in frequency, the more effect we see from interwinding capacitance. This capacitance coupled with the inductance of the choke can cause resonance in the V_{CC} circuit.

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[†]Parts 1 and 2 of this article appeared in *QST* for August and September, 1977.

The diameter of the wire must also be a large enough value so as not to drop an excessive amount of dc voltage during peak current conditions. In this circuit, we will use four turns of No. 18 AWG enameled wire, 1/4 inch ID. This is about 25 nH or 70 Ω .

The capacitors that follow are used to shunt the low-frequency components that return to the power supply. These low-frequency components can cause spurious oscillations and generate a great deal of adjacent-channel interference. We will use a 0.1- μ F capacitor followed by a 620-pF feedthrough followed by a 1- μ F tantalum.

The base of the transistor must also be held at some fixed value of dc potential. The terms, Class C, B, AB and A also apply to transistor amplifiers. Fig. 23 shows two ways of biasing the transistor at Class C. A much higher impedance to rf is desired with this choke. A ferrite bead is used to further impede any rf coupled through the choke via interwinding capacitance. Too low an impedance in this circuit can severely compromise the overall gain of the amplifier. As a rule of thumb, at 450 MHz I use a 10-turn coil made of No. 22 enameled wire wound on 1/8-inch form. A resistor can be added as in Fig. 23B to reduce the conduction angle if desired.

If the amplifier is to be used in ssb service, a small amount of positive voltage can be applied to the base to bias the transistor in a Class AB configuration. (See Fig. 24.) This voltage, about 0.6 to 0.7 volt, is developed across the diode which is biased into saturation. The series resistor merely

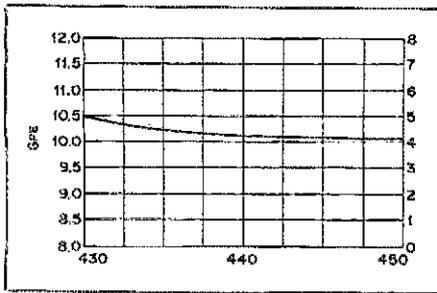


Fig. 28 — Graph of G_{pe} vs. frequency for the prototype MRF618 amplifier.

the transistor flange before screwing it down to the heat sink. *Always* mount the transistor on the heat sink before soldering it into the circuit! The mounting of the rest of the components is academic. Just remember when connecting the collector and base chokes to make the connection as close to the transistor as possible.

Testing and Evaluation

The next phase of our exercise is to evaluate the circuit we have created. After construction and a good visual once-over to assure that all is according to our schematic, we are ready to tune up and evaluate the amplifier.

The basic tools we will need are a spectrum analyzer, input and output power meters, a current meter, a power supply, a signal generator, and a good nonreactive 50- Ω load. Some of these components are difficult to obtain and often you will need to rely on your own versatility to provide a necessary substitute. The signal generator may be replaced, for example, by a transceiver. The output power may be adjusted by varying the supply voltage. You must be very careful, however, that the generator does not generate spurious emissions because of low V_{CC} . The spectrum analyzer is perhaps the most difficult to find a substitute for. Regardless, we will in this section speak in terms of ideal testing conditions so as to acquaint you with some of the testing that is employed in circuit evaluation.

Tune-up in this case is relatively simple. Apply a small amount of power to the input (approximately 1/2 the required drive level) and tune the input capacitor until a small rise in collector current (I_C) is observed. Then tune the two output variables for a peak reading of output power. Now tune the input capacitor for a minimum amount of reflected power while keeping an eye on the collector tuning. As the output power increases, the Z_{OL} of the device will also change slightly and will require minor adjustments during the tune-up procedure. Once you have tuned the circuit to the point where you feel the circuit is operating properly, you may

now begin to evaluate the amplifier to see if it meets the original design criteria.

The first check is gain. Apply two watts to the input, checking to make sure the input VSWR has been minimized, and observe the output power. In this case with 2 W of drive at 13.5 volts, the output power is 17.6 watts. The gain may be calculated in the following formula

$$G_{pe}(\text{dB}) = 10 \log \frac{P_{out}}{P_{in}} \quad (\text{Eq. 18})$$

The gain therefore is 9.4 dB under those conditions. Next we will check amplifier efficiency. Power up the amplifier again to the previous conditions and observe I_C . I_C is 2.1 A. Efficiency may now be calculated in the formula

$$\text{Efficiency} = \frac{P_{out}}{V_{CC} \times I_C} \times 100 \quad (\text{Eq. 19})$$

Efficiency equals 62.1 percent. We can safely say that the amplifier is operating well beyond the requirement stated earlier. Now we will evaluate the amplifier under various dynamic conditions to determine its overall operating characteristics.

The first graph we will collect data for is gain vs. frequency. What we will do is establish an output power and V_{CC} specification and measure the input power at 430, 440 and 450 MHz. Test conditions are, therefore, $V_{CC} = 13.6$ volts with $P_{out} = 15$ watts. Our test results are shown in Table 2, and Fig. 28 is a graphical representation of the gain versus operating frequency. With this graph we may ascertain the gain that can be expected at any frequency in the required band.

Table 2
Test Results for Gain-Vs.-Frequency Measurements

f_o	P_{in}	G_{pe}
430 MHz	1.35 W	10.5 dB
440 MHz	1.45 W	10.15 dB
450 MHz	1.47 W	10.1 dB

Table 3
Test Results for Measurements of Power In Vs. Power Out

P_{in}	P_{out}
6.4 W	25 W
3.0 W	20 W
1.5 W	15 W
1.03 W	10 W
0.6 W	5 W

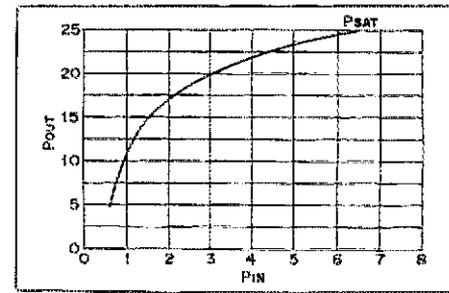


Fig. 29 — Graph of power in vs. power out at 450 MHz.

The next test is P_{out} vs. P_{in} . Since 450 MHz is our worst-case frequency, we will measure the amplifier there. To do this we will tune the amplifier at P_{sat} and record the input power at several output power levels. The data read as shown in Table 3. Fig. 29 is the graph of the data. By observing the plot of P_{out} vs. P_{in} and G_{pe} versus frequency we see that the amplifier easily meets the original design criteria.

The final check is for stability and it is done with the spectrum analyzer. First, power up the amplifier at 15 watts out and observe the spectrum. There are no spurious signals present on the scope display. Now vary V_{CC} from 5 to 15 volts and check for spurious. Now vary the output power from zero to P_{sat} and observe the display once again. If you are brave you may now power the amplifier into an open circuit and a short circuit to test for both spurious emissions and ruggedness. Once these tests have been made (and we hope with good results), the amplifier may be pressed into service.

Summary

This study examines the very basic elements of solid-state power amplifier design. Part 1 discusses the basic information that must be extracted from the data sheet in order to establish the necessary design criteria. Part 1 also demonstrates a fundamental approach to the Smith Chart and is carried further in Part 2 when working through the input and output transformation designs. Part 3 explains the basics of amplifier construction and layout. Also included in Part 3 is information on biasing the transistor for various classes of service and a means of switching rf around the amplifier to allow a return path for received signals. Part 3 further sets up a basic procedure for evaluating amplifier performance.

Much, much more can be said of solid-state amplifier design. At the end of Part 1 is a list of articles, application notes, and text books that will serve as an excellent source of additional information to assist you in amplifier design.

The Emergency Broadcast System

Are you aware of the EBS? All of us should be! With simple instructions WA7QPC tells us how to make an alerting unit. Must reading!

By Mike Piper,* WA7QPC

The cold-war era CONELRAD system may have gone the way of the fallout shelter, but its successor, the Emergency Broadcast System (EBS) is still with us. A few recent developments in the EBS should be of interest to amateurs concerned with emergency preparedness.

EBS was designed to be activated in a national emergency. The plan is being revised to allow local officials to use it when they need to warn residents in specific regions or communities.

In addition, the EBS attention signal (transmitted by broadcast stations to warn of an upcoming emergency message) has been changed. The old system consisted of two carrier interruptions followed by a 1000-Hz tone. On April 15, 1976, this method was replaced by a two-tone audio signal of 853 and 950 Hz, transmitted for 20 to 25 seconds. This signal can be used to activate an alarm receiver, making possible continuous monitoring for emergency broadcasts without hearing normal activities on the monitored frequency. For the amateur concerned with emergency communications, an EBS receiver is a logical addition to the shack.

This article describes a simple decoder for the new EBS attention signal. While this circuit will not meet the requirements set by the FCC for the units used at broadcast stations, it will detect the EBS tones, and it won't be set off by interruptions of the broadcast stations carrier — a big nuisance with the old system.

The Circuit

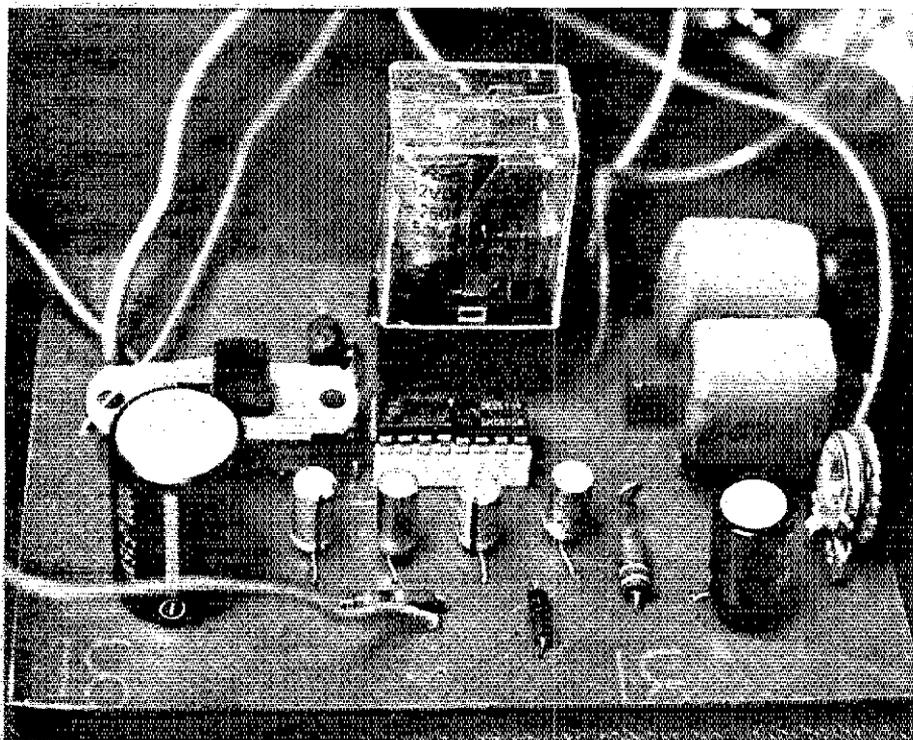
The decoder is built on an 80 X 110 mm printed circuit board. The U1 and U2 are type 567 tone-decoder ICs. These are set to frequency by an external resistor and capacitor. Their outputs are of the open collector type which go to ground when the desired

tone is applied to the input. Other external components vary the bandwidth and set the length of time a tone must be present before the output goes low. In this circuit, U1 or U2 can be set for either tone. For this presentation we will assume that U1 is set for 950 Hz and U2 is adjusted for 853 Hz.

Audio from a broadcast receiver is fed through R4, which provides the proper level at the IC inputs. The audio is coupled to both inputs through C8. The frequency of U1 is determined by

R1 and C1. Components R2 and C2 set U2 to operate at the other frequency. The ground pin of U1 is permanently connected to the power-supply ground. When a 950-Hz tone is present on pin 3, pin 8 goes to ground. The ground pin of U2 is not connected to the power-supply ground, but to the output of U1. This means that U2 can only operate when 950 Hz is applied to the input of U1.

If an 853-Hz tone is present at the same time as the 950-Hz tone, the



The WA7QPC EBS decoder board. The multiturn frequency setting controls are mounted next to the large capacitors at the right. The trimmer at lower right sets the input level. The slide switch is shown in the operate position. TP2 can be a short length of wire soldered to the pin of S1 on top of the board. Use of the DIP socket is optional.

output of U2 will go low. However, C6 has been added to this decoder. The capacitor slows the response of U2 so that the tone must be present for about 10 seconds before the output goes low. This guards against false triggering should the broadcast station happen to transmit something containing both 950- and 853-Hz tones.

When the output of U2 goes low it energizes K1, which can be used to operate any desired alarm. It also acts to pull pin one of both chips low, through D1, D2, R5, and R6. This latches both chips so that K1 will remain energized after the tones have been removed.

The alarm is reset by applying V_{CC} to pin 1 of U2 through a momentary-contact switch, S2. Note that the output of U2 latches both chips.

Interrupting V_{CC} will cause the chips to latch. A normally closed push-button switch, S3, can be inserted in the V_{CC} line to permit testing the alarm.

S1 can be mounted on the circuit board. It is used to adjust and test the circuit. In the test position, it grounds U2 directly, rather than through U1. It also removes the delay capacitor, C6. In this position, an 853-Hz tone will cause K1 to pull in immediately.

Construction

With the exception of multiturn controls, all components should be available from Radio Shack stores. If you use the board layout provided, miniature Trimpots could be substituted for the multiturn ones. You could also cut the longer of the two pads at each control and insert some fixed-value resistance in series with a lower value control. If you want to use a DIP socket, the two 567s fit in a single 16-pin socket.

The relay is designed for 12-volt operation, but will work with 9 V. This makes it easy to connect the EBS decoder to an inexpensive transistor receiver, and run them with a common power supply.

The schematic diagram gives two optional components. R8 will decrease the input frequency bandwidth of U1 and should only be used if your unit triggers on normal-program content. Use of R8 will make adjustment of R1 more critical. C9 may be needed if transients on the V_{CC} line are causing problems. I have not found either of these to be necessary.

Adjustment

The easiest way to adjust the decoder is to use a frequency counter. The 567 has an internal oscillator which has an output signal present on pin 5. Connect a frequency counter to pin 5 of U1. Use as much isolation as possible because the pin 5 output loading affects

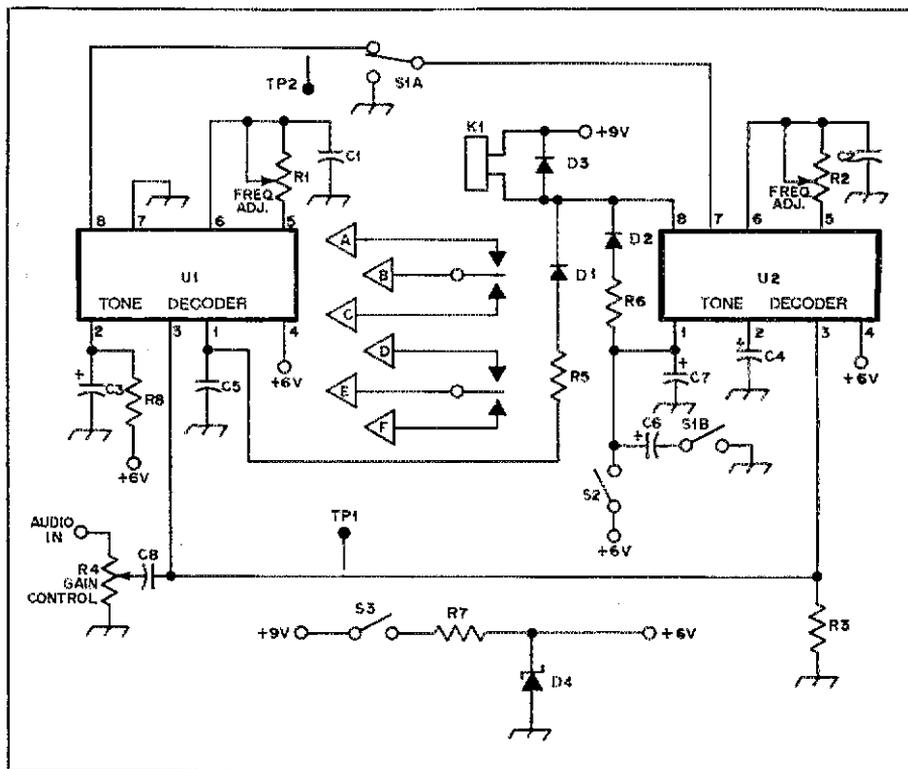


Fig. 1 — Circuit diagram of the EBS alert. Resistors are 1/2 watt; capacitors marked with polarity are electrolytic. Electrolytic voltages are all 12 V, or higher. Circuit designations not listed below are for test references.

C8 — 50 μ F, 16 V. (Value, voltage rating and polarity may need to be changed depending on the voltage present where audio is taken from the receiver.)

C9 — 1 μ F, 12 V. (Not needed if the dc supply is clear of transients.)

D1, D2 — 1N34A or similar.

D3 — 1N4002 or similar.

D4 — 6.2 V, 1/2-watt Zener.

K1 — 12-V dpdt relay (Archer type 275-206, or equiv.).

S1 — Dpdt slide switch, pc mounting (GC type 35-222 or similar).

S2 — Normally open, pushbutton.

S3 — Normally closed, pushbutton.

U1, U2 — NE567.

the frequency. Adjust R1 until the counter indicates the oscillator is operating at 950 Hz. Now connect the counter to pin 5 of U2, and put the test/operate switch in the test position (handle away from the IC). Adjust R2 for a frequency of 853 Hz. Return S1 to the operate position.

Another method involves use of an accurate source of the two tones. The device used at each broadcast station to generate the warning signal has provision for connecting the tones, one at a time or together, to an external device. If you can get permission to connect your decoder to the EBS generator at a broadcast station, adjust R4 for approximately 2 volts pk-pk at TP1. Connect an indicator at TP2 to show when it goes low. A VOM will work. It is also convenient to connect the cathode of an LED to TP2. The anode goes to the V_{CC} through a 330-ohm resistor. This LED will light up when U1 has been activated.

With a 950-Hz signal applied, adjust R1 until TP2 goes low. Continue turning until it goes high again. Now back up until the chip activates again. Set R1 halfway between these two points. Now put S1 in the test position. Apply 853 Hz and adjust R2 until the relay ener-

gizes. Turn the control a couple of turns more. Press the reset button. Back up until it energizes again. Set R2 halfway between the two pull-in points. Put S1 in the operate position. Press reset.

Now apply both tones together. In about 10 seconds K1 should energize. The FCC specifies that not less than 8 nor more than 16 seconds should be required for the alarm to activate. If your unit is outside these limits change the value of C6.

And If It Doesn't . . . ?

If neither chip will activate, the audio level is probably too low. If the output of U1 goes low intermittently when the tone is applied, the audio level is probably too high. (This effect can't be seen on U2 since it will latch as soon as it goes low.)

Connecting to a Receiver

When connecting the decoder to a receiver, remember that a constant audio level must be applied to the input. The polarity of C8 will depend on the voltage at the point where you tap off the receiver. Try to pick a point that will put a little more than a volt of normal program audio at TP1. This can be adjusted down if necessary with R4.

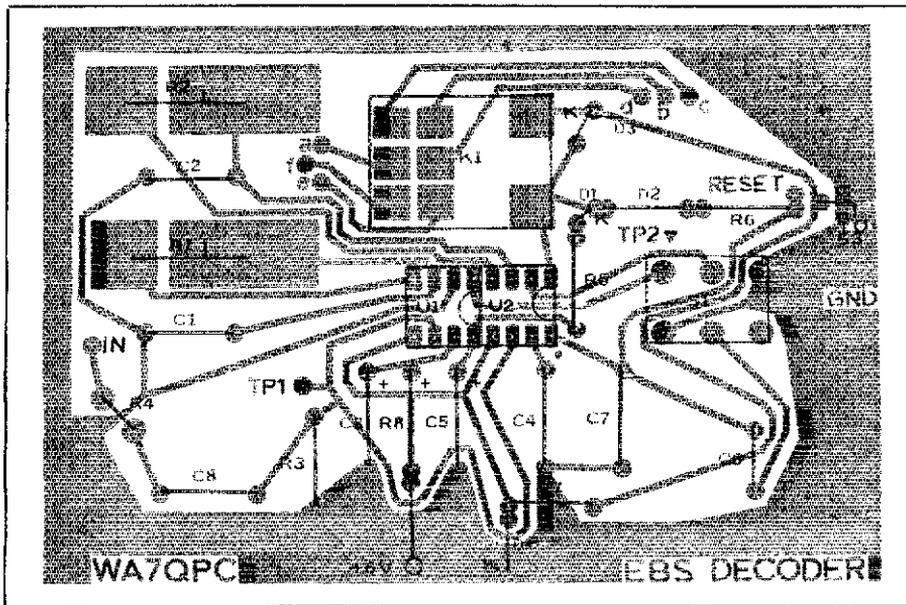


Fig. 2 — Template (full size) for EBS decoder.

I run mine at about 800 mV.

For my own installation, the speaker lead was removed and connected to K1 so that, when the relay is de-energized, audio goes to a terminating resistor and the decoder input. When K1 energizes, it connects the speaker lead back to the speaker instead of the resistor, ensuring that the EBS message will be heard. The remaining set of contacts on K1 can be used for a bell, lamp or possibly to start

a recorder to take down the message. If you use this connection scheme, be sure to put the receiver volume control out of reach, or you could accidentally put the audio level at the decoder input outside the allowable range.

EBS Tests

How do we know an EBS decoder is working? All broadcast stations (except the 10-watt fm stations at some schools)

are required to test the EBS attention signal once a week. The test is run at random times between 8:30 A.M. and local sunset. If you use a small transistor receiver with the decoder, it is quite practical to leave it going at all times. If the monitor fails to go off for a couple of weeks, you will almost certainly notice the fact.

It is also convenient to leave an LED connected to TP2, as described earlier. This LED will flash from time to time, when the program contains 950-Hz energy. This shows that the receiver and U1 are working. If you put S1 in the test position with the receiver connected, K1 will energize after a random delay, as soon as U2 detects an 853-Hz component in the program. Neither of these tests will show that the tone decoders are on frequency, or that the audio level is correct. The weekly tests will show that.

Someone at a local broadcast station will be able to tell you which station in your area will initiate an EBS message. Normally, all the other stations in the area monitor that station and will repeat any message.

Hopefully, an EBS monitor will gather dust in your shack and maybe startle members of your family when it goes off during the weekly test. But if disaster threatens, it could provide the first step in establishing an emergency communications system — that of quickly notifying amateurs that an emergency situation exists! QST

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PERSONAL-COMPUTING SHOW IN CHICAGO

Tuning across the hf bands or listening in on the local repeater, the "in" topic of conversation these days seems to be microprocessors and minicomputers. A whole new hobby is evolving around this new technology, technology that makes it possible to build a functioning computer for the cost of a new transceiver.

Because of the impact of computers on amateur radio, it's only natural that many hams are getting involved in the fascinating workings of computers. It's estimated that one-third of computer hobbyists are hams (or about to become licensed). It's not really surprising, since computers have had such a large impact on our hobby. Computer journals have published amateur-related articles describing memory keyers based on computer technology, automatic beam locators, Morse code-generating keyboards and even automatic SWR-sensing antenna tuners.

How does the beginner get acquainted with the minicomputer and microprocessor? The best way is to attend a computer show. With many hams also computer hobbyists, you'll find lots of people and exhibits to attract your interest.

There are many local and regional shows, and a couple of really big national exhibitions. If you can make the trip, try to attend one of these national get-togethers. It's well worth the effort.

One national that is likely to rate among the best of the breed is the upcoming '77 Midwest Personal Computing Show to be held in Chicago on October 27, 28 and 29. It will feature a wide variety of books and supplies for the beginner and exhibits by more than 100 organizations, including the ARRL. The valuable information contained in the free handout material alone is worth the trip. Highlighting the show will be a number of seminars and demonstrations, among them a computer school with hands-on demonstrations, and talks

on personal-computing hardware and software, computerized games, home use of personal computers, and computer art and music.

You'll find the show at the Chicago-O'Hare Holiday Inn on the Kennedy Expressway, just five minutes from the airport. The exhibit halls will be open from 4 P.M. to 10 P.M., Thursday and Friday, October 27 and 28, and from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. on Saturday, October 29. You can get more information about this show from *Personal Computing*, 401 Louisiana SE, Suite G, Albuquerque, NM 87108.



More than 3,000 hobbyists, many of them hams, attended the Personal Computer Show this past March in Los Angeles. 10,000 are expected at the Chicago show October 27-29

An Extended Frequency Range for the Collins 75S-1

Treat that 75S-1 to a new way of life! Let the greener pastures of a wider frequency coverage for this fine receiver be yours. No internal modifications of the set are necessary and only a handful of parts are required. The deal is good!

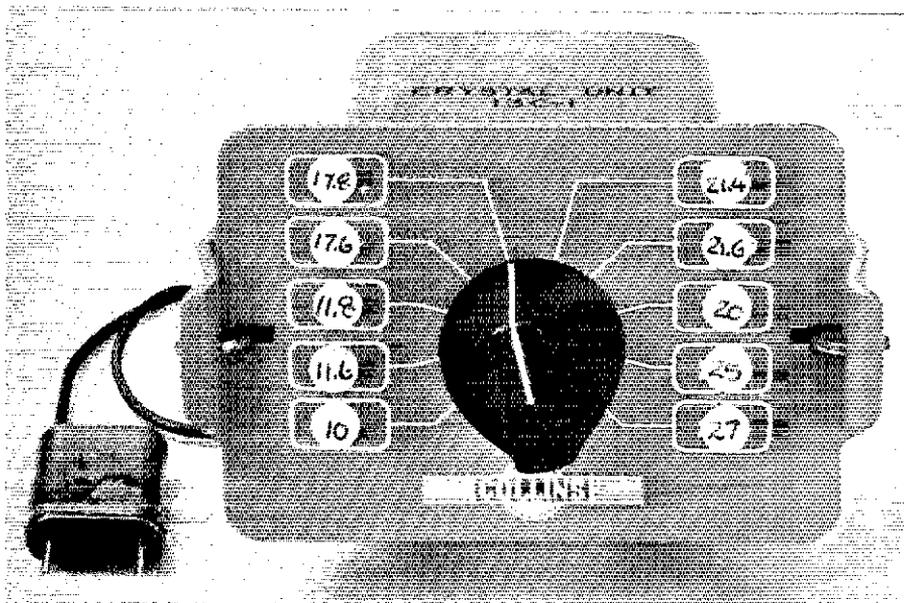
By Vernon L. Gibbs,* W4JTL

You own a Collins 75S-1. That prestigious receiver gives you the feeling of being in the Cadillac class. Performance is solid testimony that it deserves the rank. Yet, a limitation connected with the 75S-1 instills a slight sense of claustrophobia. There just doesn't seem to be enough "elbow room" with a receiver restricted to the amateur bands and the 14.9- to 15.0-MHz segment. How to satisfy that restless feeling for greater freedom? You realize that your 75S-1 should have the extended frequency range offered by the 75S-3C. Possible?

Yes, several articles have been written about extending the coverage of the 75S-1. Each is informative but has a different approach. As I reached the moment of decision on resolving the way to achieve broader coverage similar to that of the C model, two considerations shaped my final plan. First, the cost had to be kept low. I knew that obtaining original parts from a Collins distributor would more than exhaust the budget. The second requirement was that no physical changes to the receiver would be made. Without compromise, both requirements were met.

An External Crystal-Switching Circuit

My basic plan was to provide an external crystal-switching circuit that could be plugged into the 75S-1 crystal board. Additional crystals, of course, were required to furnish the wider frequency range. Table 1 indicates the coverage and crystal frequencies used in



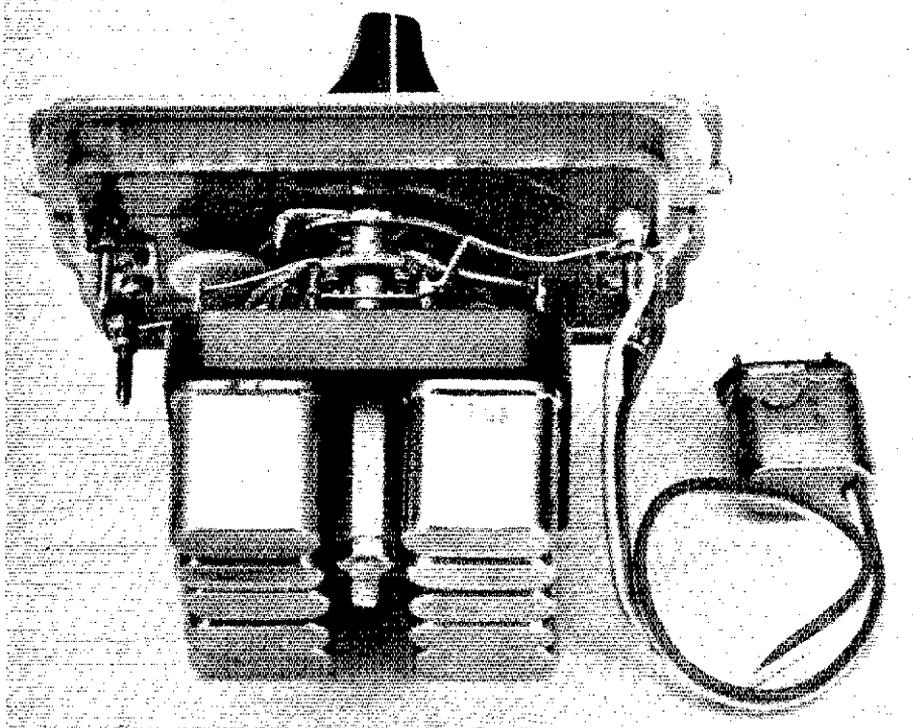
A front view of an old KWM-1 crystal-switching unit is shown after being modified for use with the 75S-1 receiver.

Table 1
Crystal Frequencies

Switch Position	Xtal Frequency (MHz)	Frequency Coverage (MHz)
1	8.155	5.0-5.2
2	13.155	10.0-10.2
3	9.0775	15.0-15.2
4	11.5775	20.0-20.2
5	14.0775	25.0-25.2
6	12.555	9.4-9.6 (31-meter SWBC)
7	12.755	9.6-9.8 "
8	14.755	11.6-11.8 (25-meter SWBC)
9	14.955	11.8-12.0
10	7.9775	12.9-13.0

This table shows the crystals used and the frequency-range extension provided by the external crystal switching assembly.

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This rear view of the KWM-1 crystal switcher illustrates how crystals could be mounted in a comparable unit made from a utility box. Note the plug made from a defective crystal.

extending the range. All that is essentially required are the extra crystals, a rotary switch, some cable, a defective crystal, and a small cabinet to enclose the new crystal assembly. The defective crystal unit is to be disassembled and converted into a plug as can be seen in the photographs. I was fortunate to have an old KWM-1 crystal plug-in that solved most of the parts problems. This unit holds 10 crystals, which are more than ample to obtain the extended coverage. Amateurs without access to this particular plug-in device can construct a comparable unit in a utility box. A crystal-mounting board may be avoided simply by soldering the crystals to the rotary switch.

Anyone planning to extend the coverage of the 75S-1 should keep in mind that the leads from the plug-in unit to the crystal board in the 75S-1 must be as short as possible. I used only 12 inches of cable — just enough to allow the new crystal assembly to be placed atop my receiver.

Once the new crystal-switching device is completed, the cable may be plugged into one of the high-band positions of the 75S-1 crystal board. I use the 28C position. Full enjoyment of extended frequency coverage should now be at one's fingertips.

With proper choice of crystals, the 75S-1 can be adapted to covering the range of 3.4-30.0 MHz with the excep-

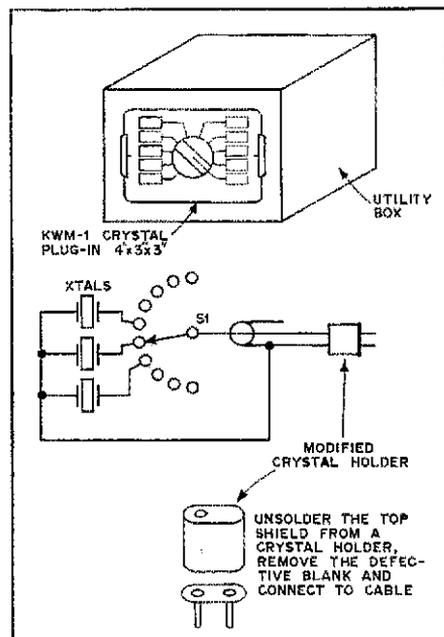


Fig. 1 — Circuit for switching external crystals to provide wider frequency coverage for the Collins 75S-1 receiver.

tion of a part of the range from 5.0-6.6 MHz. I have also found that for some amateur bands the preselector can be tuned to the fundamental frequency rather than twice the frequency with no difficulty being observed in receiving additional bands. For example, with the band switch set at 21.0 MHz and the preselector adjusted to a dial setting of five, the coverage is then 15.032-15.232 MHz. In the 75S-1, all of the crystals which are higher than 14.955-MHz injection frequency operate on the second harmonic. Therefore, one may tune in the fundamental frequency by retuning the preselector.

The relatively few components needed for the crystal assembly may be obtained from most parts supply houses. Sources for crystals may be found in the advertisements in *QST*.

Club Notes

Looking for programs for your club meetings? (Isn't everyone?) You've heard all about the new WIAW antennas; now take a tour of them. Club and Training Department has a new slide/tape collection which not only shows the aeri-als, but also gives you a look at the rigs, past and present, inside the WIAW building. History is combined with up-to-date views to make an enjoyable evening for your club members.

Another new show now available concerns WARC. (And if you don't know what that stands for, you haven't been reading the club mailings we've been sending.) This slide/tape set traces the growth of international telecommunications regulation from 1865 up until now, including the very first regulatory agency, the Austro-German Telegraph Union. The importance of WARC to amateur radio, what the League is

doing, and how your club can help are part of this presentation.

Affiliated clubs get first consideration on orders. Ask for order form CT-20 and for better booking service, please give several dates your club can use the set. All tapes are cassettes; all slides are 35 millimeter.

Other ideas from our affiliates: salesperson from area solar-products company, radio astronomer from area planetarium, meteorologist, insurance agent speaking on policies for ham gear/towers, state Forestry Department speaker with movie on "Red Flag Alert" (*de Palomar ARC - CA*). — *WAISTO*

Printed Circuit Boards— An Easier Way

If you've wondered how some people can make nice-looking etched circuit boards, this article will be a revelation. Even beginners can come up with professional-looking boards.

By Robert Cavin,* WBØOSX

How did you wire your first ham radio project? Old-timers may recall driving finishing nails into a pine board and then wiring point-to-point with components and bell wire. This method

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was called "bread board." Now that the good old days have all but faded from memory, we're faced with the more difficult task of printed circuit board fabrication for our construction projects. Nails and bell wire have given way to copper-clad boards, photo-sensitive

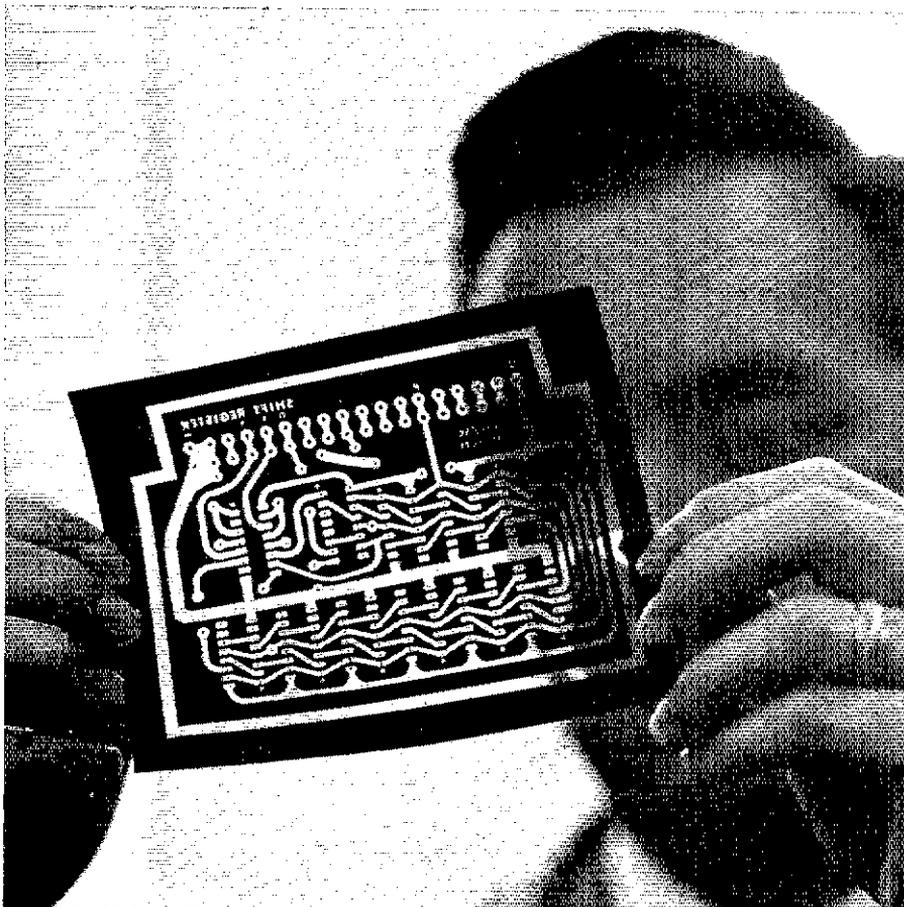
coatings and etching solutions. Anyone who has made a board from scratch will admit it can be a messy job.

I recently experimented with a new approach which is made possible through the development of a new product called Image 'N Transfer or I.N.T. film.¹ This new technique eliminates much of the hassle and makes it possible to produce professional-looking boards.

Attendees at the 1976 ARRL convention in Denver saw the I.N.T. process demonstrated by Bob Shriner, WAØUZO. Bob used the sun as an exposure source. The result was a good-looking circuit board made with a minimum of effort.

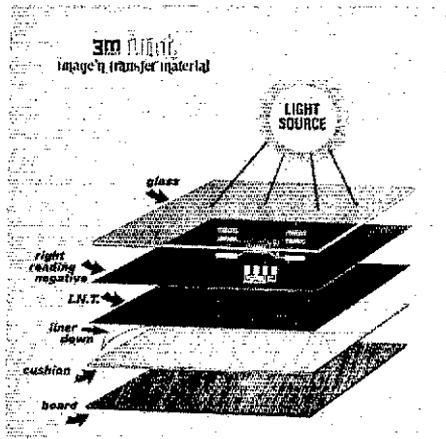
The I.N.T. material consists of a polyester film which has been coated with an ultraviolet sensitive coating. This material may be exposed with a no. 2 photoflood or as WAØUZO did, with direct sunlight. The film is developed with a special solution, and the resulting positive is a reversal of the image exposed on the I.N.T. sheets. These sheets may be handled in subdued indoor light without danger of exposure. A clear peel-off liner covers the back of each sheet to protect the emulsion until development.

I.N.T. is ideal for circuit-board construction because once the film is exposed and developed, the image can be rubbed off or transferred to the circuit-board material by burnishing. This is similar to the manner in which rub-on letters are transferred to a poster or sheet of paper. When an I.N.T. image is

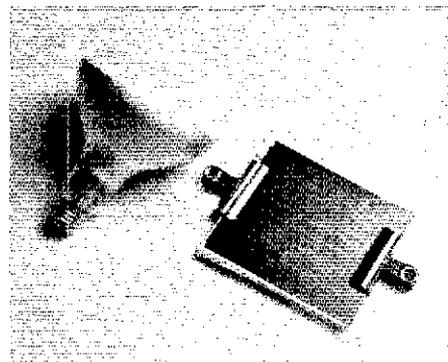
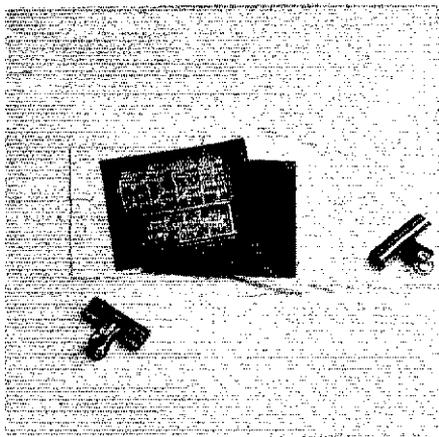


The graphic-arts film negative ready for exposure to Image 'N Transfer material.

¹ Manufactured by 3M Company, P. O. Box 33600, St. Paul, MN 55133.



The image on the negative is transferred to the Image 'N Transfer (I.N.T.) where it appears in positive form. This transfer is accomplished by making a contact printing frame using glass, the negative, a sheet of I.N.T. and a sheet of thin sponge or tissue for a cushion.



The contact frame should be clamped tightly. Since the I.N.T. is sensitive to ultraviolet light, exposure can be made to direct sunlight, or to a lamp such as a number 2 photoflood. It may be a good idea to experiment with a test strip to find the right exposure time for your light source.

transferred to a plain copper-clad board, it forms a resist that easily withstands the ferric-chloride etchant.

The Sequence

Here's how I experimented with I.N.T. The May 1976 issue of *QST* featured a construction article on learning to work with ICs by Jerry Hall, K1PLP and Charles Waits, WA6GVC. The article included a suggested circuit-board layout for a frequency counter, printed to scale for use by interested hams. I removed the page, took it to a local offset printer, and had him shoot a same-size lithograph-quality negative. Since I was willing to pay cash and eliminate paperwork the cost was \$2.50. A check of other suppliers in the St. Paul/Minneapolis area indicates a range of cost from \$2 to \$5 for a good-quality negative. You may have to shop around for a supplier who will bother with noncommercial work, but the cost generally isn't steep.

The next step was to make an exposure frame. I used a piece of glass for the base, placed some thick industrial-grade cleaning tissue over it for cushioning (a thin sponge would work as well), and laid the I.N.T. material over it (liner side down). The litho negative went down next, and then a second piece of glass was used to press everything together. Two paper clips hold the assembly together.

I exposed the film, using a no. 2 photoflood lamp and an exposure time of about a minute and a half. You might want to experiment with narrow test strips of I.N.T. to arrive at the optimum exposure time for your light source. Timing is approximate and not critical. The main precaution is to avoid over-exposure since it tends to harden the image and make it difficult to transfer.

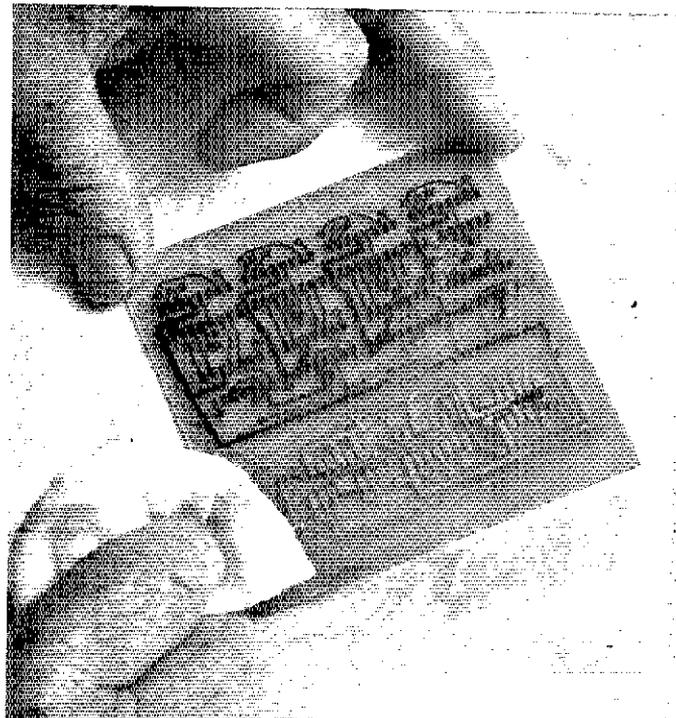
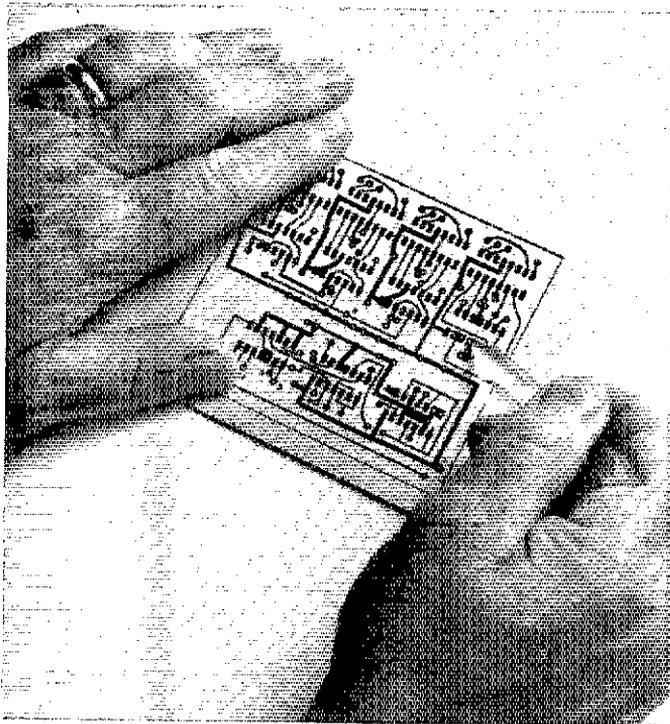
After exposing, I disassembled the frame, removed the I.N.T. and peeled



The I.N.T. image is developed on a piece of glass using the 3M brand I.N.T. processing solution and a cotton wipe. A newspaper or tray may be used to collect excess developer. Developed positives should be kept out of strong light to avoid further hardening of the image.

off the protective film from the emulsion side. Following the manufacturer's directions, I poured approximately a tablespoon of developing solution on the center of the I.N.T. and spread it evenly with another piece of industrial wiping tissue. The water-based developer is nontoxic and the amount used is not important. After 15 or 20 seconds of wiping in a circular motion,

the black emulsion was removed from areas not hardened by the light, and I had an image of the frequency-counter circuit board. A rinse in the sink removed the chemical residue. To speed the drying process, I used a soft rubber squeegee to remove the excess water from the base side of the I.N.T. Since I.N.T. is polyester and is nonhygroscopic (unlike conventional photo-



The I.N.T. image is then transferred to the copper-clad board by burnishing with a blunt tool. The pattern serves as an etch resist. Careful inspection is important to make sure that no areas are missed and the pattern is firmly adhered in all areas. Once the I.N.T. pattern is in place, the board is etched using standard circuit board techniques. Then the I.N.T. pattern is removed with isopropyl alcohol, and the board is ready for drilling.

graphic film), it doesn't absorb water and dries quickly (allow five minutes before transferring). At this point the circuit image was ready for transfer to the board.

Before starting, I cleaned the copper surface thoroughly with isopropyl alcohol to remove any contaminants that could interfere with the transfer step. If you have used rub-on letters, you no doubt know how important it is to burnish hard enough for good transfer, and yet not so hard as to stretch the backing paper and split the letters. The I.N.T. backing is somewhat more stable dimensionally than transfer-letter sheets, so the stretching problem is minimal. Still the burnishing process requires some care to ensure a good job, especially on a complex circuit pattern with many lines. Registration can be best handled by taping one I.N.T. edge and burnishing away from the tape side — thus preventing most movement of the material.

After transfer of the pattern to the board, I made a careful inspection under bright light to make sure that all the details were in place. A permanent-ink marking pen may be used to make any corrections since the ink is also a good etch resist. The manufacturer suggests that the green liner sheet which comes with each piece of I.N.T. be used for a second burnish to make sure that all of the pattern is tightly affixed to the board.

Once the circuit image was in place the board was ready for etching. Here I

proceeded just the same as with any circuit-board process and made sure that the etchant temperature was correct and that the tray was properly agitated. If tongs are used to lift or inspect the board during this step, be sure not to grip over the I.N.T. pattern, as it can be scratched, causing the etchant to remove that portion of the circuit pattern.

As the photo shows, the finished board is sharp in detail and neat looking. The I.N.T. transfer material is removed after etching by using the same type of alcohol used to clean the board before burnishing.

So What Else Is New?

As you may have guessed, 3M's Image 'N' Transfer material wasn't developed for ham radio circuit-board makers alone. It is a part of 3M's Industrial Graphics product line which includes Color-Key materials and other items for artists and printers. It just happens to be a good resist material.

You can also use the I.N.T. process to make customized rub-on panel decals or chassis labels to dress up your construction projects. Anything that can be converted to negative form can be put on I.N.T. and transferred to a hard surface. When I.N.T. is used for labeling, the finished product should be sprayed with a protective lacquer to make sure that it isn't scratched off or smeared by solvents (experiment with lacquers on scrap I.N.T. to determine best compatibility).

There is another means available to amateurs interested in making their own circuit boards without using a litho negative: 3M's Color-Key material, which is processed in a manner similar to I.N.T., may be exposed to a transparent or translucent copy of a board layout to form a negative. The negative is then used to image the I.N.T. for conversion to positive rub-on form.

Note that a transparent or translucent master circuit-board layout is required, since the light must pass through the material to expose the Color-Key. When using this technique, you may want to prepare your original layout on vellum or on an absorbent paper which can then be treated with vegetable oil to make it translucent. Or, you can purchase transparentizer solutions in aerosol form from art and design stores.

Where Do I Buy I.N.T.?

Radio clubs or other groups interested in a large quantity can save money by purchasing I.N.T. in commercial lots (ten 8-1/2 X 11-inch sheets minimum order) from graphic-art, engineering and printing products dealers. The packages are approximately \$30 and developer is \$3.45 per quart.

There are plans by several suppliers to repackage I.N.T. in single lots for sale to amateurs or for prototype circuit production. Contact Glen C. Whitehouse, 11 Newbury Drive, Amherst, NH 03031 or Robert Shriner, P. O. Box 969, Pueblo, CO 81002.

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The Gentlemen's Band — 160 Meters

Getting your act together on 160 meters can be challenging if it's your first trip to "top band." Here are some helpful pointers for you newcomers to "160."

By Doug DeMaw,* W1FB

That guy you just met — the one with the haggard look, dark rings under his eyes, and a two-day stubble of beard on his face — just might be a 160-meter enthusiast! If so, he was probably on the air most of the night . . . sifting through the QRN in search of a new country to add to his slow-growing list of "confirmed ones." If he's a little bit grumpy it's probably a result of his lack of sleep, but he's really a good guy: He'd have to be, for he's a man of patience and courtesy. That's part of the reason why 160 meters is known fondly as the "gentlemen's band" by those who speak softly into their microphones, or caress their keyer paddles tenderly as they transmit the Morse between 1.8 and 2.0 MHz.

Let's suppose that you just bought or built your first rig that includes the 160-meter band. Beyond a doubt you're wondering what goes on in that part of the amateur spectrum, how to erect a suitable antenna, what kind of DX can be expected, and what the operating procedures are. Rightly so, for 160 is a contrast to the high-frequency amateur bands in its characteristics. The 80-meter band is the most similar in nature, but 160 and 80 are different in most respects.

If you're going to have fun and success with that new piece of apparatus you are anxious to try on "top band," you may as well erase from your mind any images you have about propagation and operating procedures for the bands from 80 through 10 meters. It's time to start from scratch, and some of the tips given in this article should help you

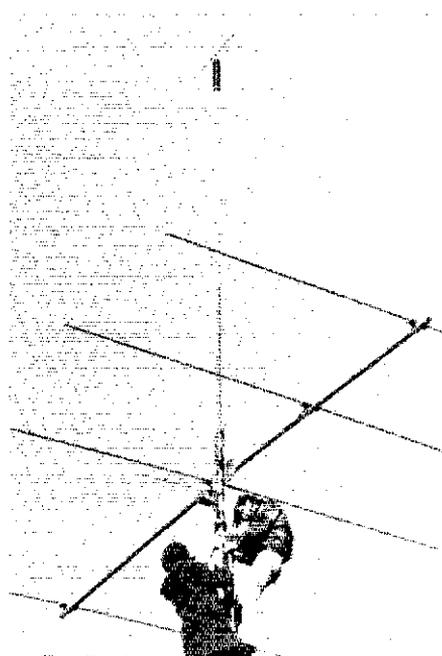
avoid the kind of disappointments that many have encountered when assaulting the medium-frequency spectrum for the first time.

Propagation

For the most part, 160 meters is a night owl's band. That is, during the daylight hours absorption is extremely high on 1.8 MHz, and especially during

the summer months. For this reason the signal path is limited mainly to ground-wave distances. The absolute distance one can work will depend on the antennas used by the communicating stations, the power levels involved, and band conditions at the time of the QSO. The "daytimer" with a typical 100- to 200-watt rig should be able to communicate effectively over a 100-mile radius or beyond, regardless of the polarity of his antenna — horizontal or vertical. There are times, however, when contacts are made over a distance of 1000 miles during daylight hours. Again, it will depend on the time of the year and the band conditions.

Another serious complication is seen in areas — metropolitan for the most part — where a-m broadcast stations pollute the 160-meter band with second-harmonic energy from their transmitters. In some regions the 160-meter band can become a jumble of music and voice energy as wads of second harmonics blend together between 1.8 and 2.0 MHz. Unfortunately, the suppression of harmonics at some of these stations which operate between 900 and 1000 kHz leaves more than a great deal to be desired. It isn't unusual in the least to see spurious signals from the a-m stations peaking as high as 20 dB over 9 on a ham receiver, even though that station may be many miles away from the amateur receiving antenna. The 50-kW stations lay down a tremendous barrage of spurious energy, and even though they are in conformity with FCC regulations their harmonics are pretty hefty. Unfortunately, there is nothing a ham can do to relieve the QRM from bc-station harmonics [except



A tower and hf-band beam can be used as a vertical antenna by shunt feeding the tower. In this picture a top-loading coil and 25 feet of aluminum tubing are being added to increase the tower height from 50 to 75 feet. The top section resonates the vertical to one quarter wavelength.

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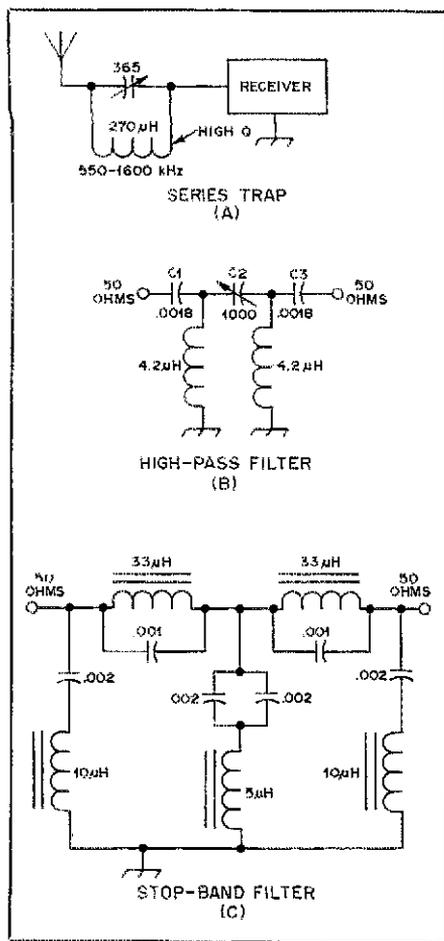


Fig. 1 - The simple parallel wave trap shown at A can be installed in series with the antenna feeder near the receiver. With the values shown it will tune the a-m broadcast band. A high-pass 50-ohm filter is illustrated at B. A band-reject (stop band) 50-ohm filter is depicted at C. It will remove bc-band signals from 550 to 1600 kHz.

build a receiving loop antenna which can be turned to null out the interfering signal energy].¹ In some parts of the country the offensive commercial stations shut down at sunset and remain quiet until sunrise. The writer has the good fortune of living in such an area!

Harmonic energy from bc stations should not be confused with receiver-front-end overloading. If the amateur receiver lacks sufficient dynamic range to withstand the high levels of rf energy from the bc station's fundamental frequency (550 to 1600 kHz), the entire 160-meter band will be a mish-mash of howls and yowls, day and night. The easiest remedy in such an event is to place a filter between the antenna and the ham receiver. If only one bc station is involved, a simple wave trap can be used (tuned to the frequency of the offending station). Fig. 1A shows a circuit which should be suitable. When

many bc stations are involved, it is better to install a high-pass or stop-band filter. The high-pass filter is shown in Fig. 1B. It rolls off (starts attenuating) at 1.8 MHz, thereby rejecting energy below 1.8 MHz while passing the desired energy above that frequency. A stop-band filter rejects all of the broadcast-band energy by a substantial amount. It can be thought of as the opposite of a band-pass filter - creating a notch from 550 to 1600 kHz in the input signal line. Fig. 1C shows the circuit of such a filter.

Obviously, the most professional approach to eliminating receiver overloading is to use a receiver that has been designed properly. This calls for a strong mixer and rf stage (if the latter is used), plus good tuned-circuit selectivity in the receiver input section. A homemade receiver of high dynamic range was described in *QST*.² It was built especially for use on 160 meters, but through the addition of high-quality "down converters" it can be used from 160 through 10 meters. The converters were described in the same issue of *QST* that contained the receiver circuit.

Some 160-meter operators use crystal-controlled "up converters" into existing station receivers. The converter can be designed to handle high in-band and out-of-band energy levels, and its output can be fed to the station receiver at a level low enough to prevent the main receiver from overloading. Such a converter does not really handle large out-of-band signals, but rather *rejects* them, and that's the real name of the game. A typical circuit for up-converting to 28 to 28.2 MHz is shown in Fig. 2.

Getting back to propagation conditions, the band starts to bristle with amateur signals at or near sunset, particularly on weekends. As the darkness increases the signals become louder, and the span between stations increases. In this respect we can observe a great similarity between 160 and 80 meters.

As the path lengthens there will be a marked increase in atmospheric noise (QRN). This is because storm fronts from a distance away can be heard, even though their electrical noise is not heard locally in the daytime. At times, even though the skies are clear at the receiving locale, QRN will peak well above the S-9 level. Generally speaking, 160 is more noisy than 80 meters.

There is a phenomenon known to 160-meter DXers - *sunset skip* and *sunrise skip*. There seems to be a short-term DX-signal peak just as the sun slips away or rises over the horizon at one's QTH. The DX path is in the direction of where darkness has already fallen, or in some instances along the terminator to the north and south. A lot of USA-European contacts are made at that time, when propagation is otherwise

unsuitable. Similarly, the best time to work KH6 land from many parts of the USA is when the sun is coming up in the USA or just before. This writer has noticed distinct short-lived signal peaks from KH6J and KH6GHC just as daylight was showing in Connecticut.

The more typical skip is noted from full darkness to just before sunrise. European and South American stations can be worked during that period when the band permits. As a rule, the Europeans are strongest on the East Coast from 0300 to 0800 UTC. There are times, however, when prominent stations like PAØHIP, OK1AT, GD4BEG, G3LIQ and others are louder in the early evening here, say, 0100 UTC. The unpredictable nature of 160 meters helps to make it the fascinating band it is. One needs to be at hand when and if the band opens if he wants to work effectively for his DXCC. This can lead to the rings under the eyes and the haggard look mentioned earlier. But, DXCC doesn't come easy on 160. Only a small handful of operators have acquired that precious award. W1BI, the "old man" of 160 has done it, and a few others have followed. Success on DXCC on 160 is complicated not only by noisy band conditions and unpredictable propagation, but is cursed further by the small number of countries that are active on the band. The governments of many countries prohibit their amateurs from using "top band." To illustrate the snail's pace at which some of us move toward DXCC, the writer has garnered only 50 confirmed countries in three winter seasons of DX chasing. All but three countries heard have been worked so it's a matter of playing the "waiting game" until more islands are visited by DXpeditioners, or until some inactive countries come to life on the band.

A Fine Mobile Band

Daytime propagation makes 160 meters an excellent mobile band for local work. It is not unusual to work mobile to mobile on ssb over a 50-mile path, and the range between mobile and fixed stations is even greater. Man-made structures and land-mass obstacles have minor effect on the signals - contrast to what one experiences on 160, 6 and 2 meters! The greatest enemy to the mobile operator on 160 meters is power-line noise as he travels down the highway. In some areas the 15,750-kHz radiation from TV set horizontal-sweep circuits will interfere with reception, but if the mobile operator is in motion the problem will usually be a temporary one.

Mobile operation at night can be a lot of fun, as it is not unusual to communicate with fixed stations 100 miles away or farther. The primary handicap is the extremely short an-

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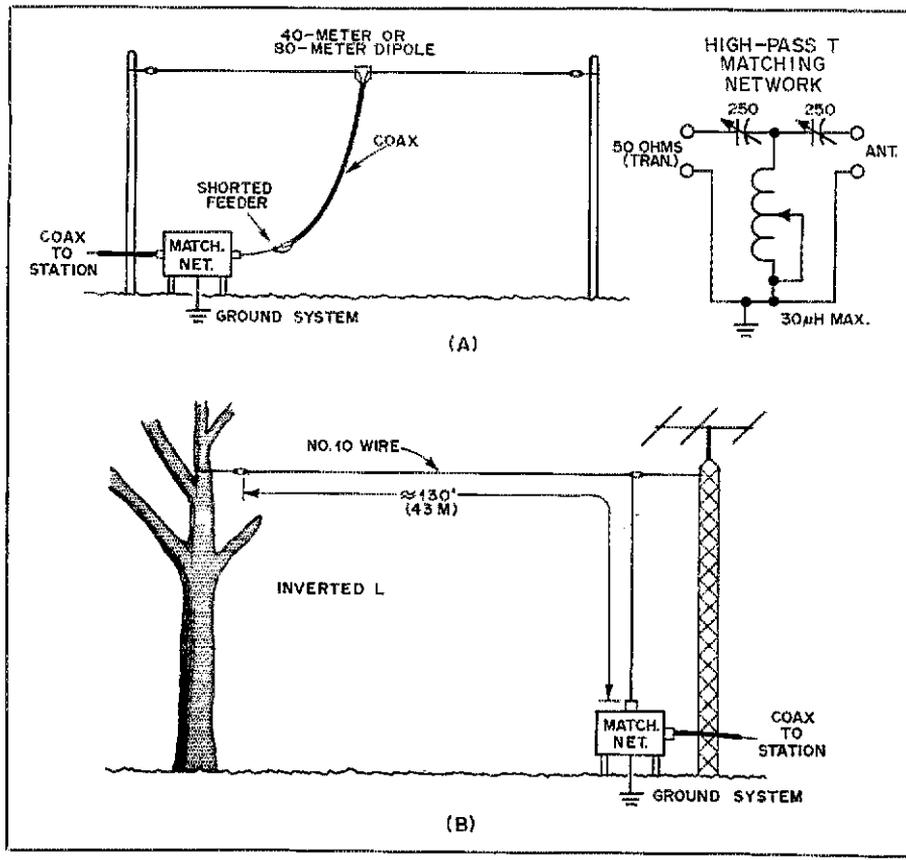


Fig. 3 — A 40- or 80-meter dipole can be used as a top-loaded vertical as shown at A. The high-pass type of T network illustrated at A can be used to match any of the antennas described in this article. It can be mounted in a weatherproof enclosure at the base of the antenna. An inverted-L antenna is seen at B. Its proximity to the tower will have minor effect on the performance.

tells us that a half-wave horizontal dipole, for example, doesn't do its characteristic "thing" unless it is a half wavelength or more above ground. On 160 we're talking about an antenna height of roughly 250 feet or greater! This rule applies also to inverted-V antennas — the great temptation of many who first tool up for 160-meter work. Dipoles, end-fed half-wavelength wires and inverted Vs have been known to do a good job consistently on DX work when installed 80 or 100 feet above ground, but the real benefits from that type of antenna come when they're really high in the air. It should be said, however, that dipoles and Vs that are relatively close to ground, say 40 to 80 feet, will do a fine job out to perhaps 600 miles. They are good high-angle radiators, and that's what is needed for short-haul communications. In most instances they will greatly outperform a low-angle radiator (vertical) throughout that coverage area.

Where does the foregoing leave us? Well, there are a number of practical ways to realize a good DX antenna on 160. Boothe gave numerous examples of

these antennas in his *QST* article.³ Cunningham and DeMaw wrote papers on the general subject, also.⁴ Some good information is given in *The ARRL Antenna Book*. But for those who do not have access to those references let's talk about verticals, short and tall.

One of the most popular vertical types of antenna is the "inverted L." This is a poor ham's Marconi in many instances. It consists of a quarter wavelength of wire which may be series or shunt fed and worked against a ground system. The object is to make as much as possible of the fed end to rise upward, vertically. This is not to imply that the amateur must resort to the Hindu rope trick. Rather, the vertical portion of the wire is supported by a tower, tall tree or building and fed at the end near ground (Fig. 3B). The remainder of the wire is run off horizontally, or sloped back to ground at whatever angle necessary to secure it. The horizontal or sloping portion of the antenna does little radiating. Instead it acts as a capacitance hat for the vertical section. The greater the length of the vertical member of the antenna, the

better the results. Of course, an effective ground-radial system helps to make this antenna a "go-getter" on 160.

Tower Verticals

The fundamentals for a good DX antenna may already exist on the property of the 160-meter man. If you have a tower and hf-band beam available, you've got a top-band DX antenna just waiting to be activated! Regardless of the tower height (30 feet or more for this discussion) it can be made into an effective 160-meter radiator. We'll assume that it's grounded and set in concrete. We may even have guy wires attached to it, and if so that can be an advantage.

A tower can be shunt fed and used as a narrow-band nonresonant radiator (assuming it is shorter than a quarter wavelength on 160). Fig. 4A shows how this can be done. Better still, the tower can be made resonant by adding an extender wire (capacitance hat) or top loading coil and capacitance hat (Fig. 4B and C). The resonant tower can be fed with a gamma section, as shown. The hf-band beam will simply add to the system as additional top loading. The feed line and rotator cables for the hf-band beam need not be decoupled from the tower by any means other than dressing the cables along the tower leg to ground, then bringing them away from the tower to the shack at ground level. If a top-loading section with a coil type of resonator is employed, special care must be given to the structure of the coil and the dielectric material upon which it is wound. Large-diameter wire should be used (No. 10 or 12 enameled copper wire) to reduce resistance losses. The coil-form material should be of the low-loss variety and must not be subject to damage from rf voltage and heating. PVC tubing and nylon materials are unsuitable for rf work and should be avoided. At power levels above 50 or 100 watts, these materials may melt in an antenna system. An acceptable coil form would be one made from solid cloth-phenolic rod (2- or 3-inch diameter), ceramic or Teflon. The last two would present some problems if a substantial amount of tubing or rod conductor were used above the loading coil as the durability of the assembly might be substandard. The most ideal resonator would be an air-wound one of large diameter.

The bandwidth of a top-loaded system with a resonator coil will be quite narrow between the 2:1 SWR points. A 50-foot tower which had a 20-foot tubing extension with resonator coil and small capacitance hat exhibited a bandwidth on only 8 kHz at the low end of 160 meters. For operation in different parts of the band it was necessary to readjust the matching net-

work at the base of the tower.

If guy wires are present they can remain common to the tower and will serve as capacitance hats. They can be isolated from ground at the lower ends by means of strain insulators. In fact, some 160-meter operators have been known to use one of the guy wires as a feed system for the tower, with a suitable matching network to accomplish the excitation (Fig. 4D).

If you're a person of means and courage, you can shoot for the ideal kind of vertical antenna — along the lines of the system used at K1PBW, who is perhaps the most effective DXer on the East Coast. Ernie had a 130-foot vertical which was insulated from ground and worked against thousands of feet of radial wire. The antenna was series fed. Late word indicates that he now uses phased verticals!

Needless to say, the greater the antenna height the better the DX results. The writer uses a shunt-fed Rohn 25 tower which is 50 feet tall. A 4-element, wide-spaced 10-meter beam is aloft on the tower, and a 90-foot horizontal extender wire is hooked to the top of the tower to establish resonance at 1810 kHz. A 25-foot aluminum-tubing mast is mounted above the 10-meter beam to provide an overall antenna height of 75 feet. The advantage in using a resonant tower is mainly one of acquiring greater bandwidth. The tower alone, used as a nonresonant monopole, yielded a 10-kHz bandwidth between the 2:1 SWR points. The bandwidth increased to 50 kHz when the extender wire was added, and that is helpful in contests, as it becomes necessary to QSY frequently.

Other DX Antennas

Among the varieties of DX antennas used by 160 operators are full-wavelength loops (perpendicular to ground), bob-tail arrays, tilted Delta Loops and sloping half-wavelength dipoles. Each has its virtues, but the larger the antenna the greater the amount of property needed to accommodate it — a truism, to say the least. The sloping dipole is probably the least difficult to realize, provided the operator has the required very-high supporting structure for the uppermost end of it. Sloping half-wavelength dipoles are known as "slopers" among hf-band people, and they function principally as vertical dipoles. This removes the need for excessive heights above ground. Furthermore, the angle of radiation is low — a necessity for DX work. Half-wavelength antennas (or multiples thereof) are fairly independent of a special ground system, and that makes them appealing. If slopers are supported by a metal structure they should be hung on the side of the support facing the desired DX direction,

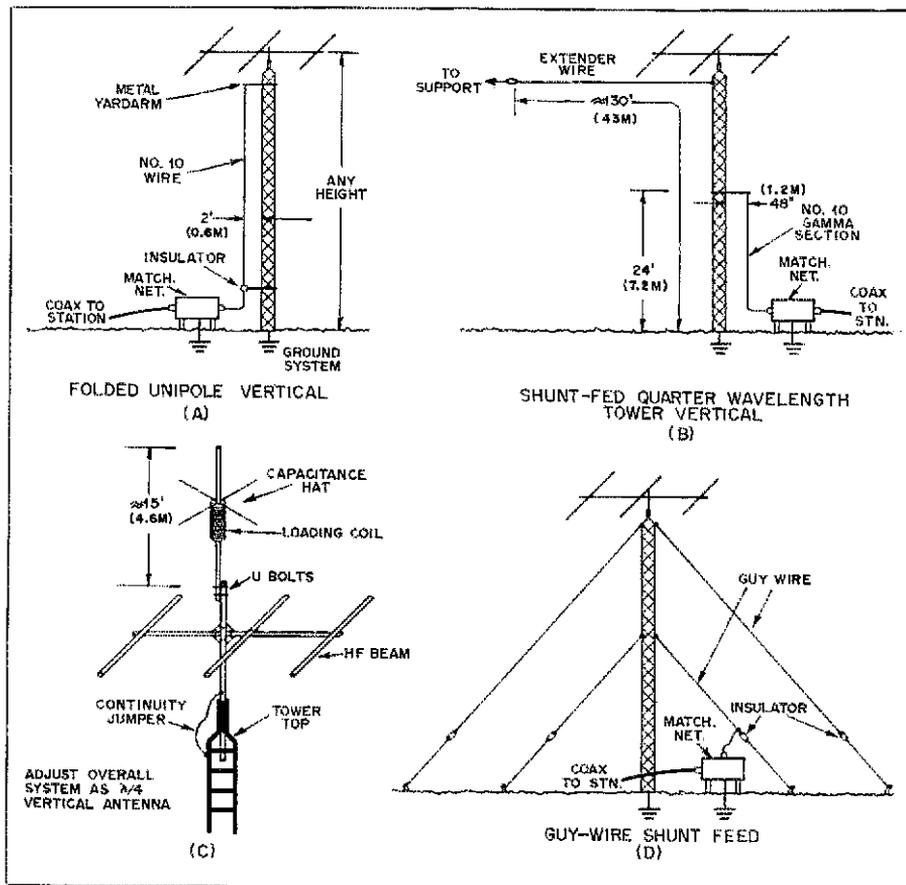


Fig. 4 — A nonresonant folded-unipole vertical is seen at A. If it is less than a quarter wavelength electrically (nonresonant) the bandwidth will be narrower than the system at B exhibits. At C are the details for resonating the tower to one quarter wavelength by means of a top-loading coil and capacitance hat. A method for using one of the tower guy wires as a feed system is shown at D.

as maximum radiation will occur in that direction. That is, a sloper erected on the northeast side of a support will have its maximum lobe in that direction. This is true even if the support is nonconductive, but the effect is more pronounced when metal or earth is behind the antenna.

One of the common misnomers heard on 160 meters is "long wire." A long piece of wire, relatively speaking, is not a classic long wire. The latter must be a wavelength long or more to qualify for that description. The greater the number of wavelengths, the higher the antenna gain in the direction it is pointed, provided it is terminated in a resistance. Long wires, V beams and rhombics are governed by the same rules as dipoles when it comes to height above ground. If they're less than a half wavelength above ground, regardless of their overall size, they won't "chop it" for DX work in the manner one might expect.

The Matter of Reception

How many times have we heard the statement, "If you can't hear 'em, you can't work 'em." Well, this really means

something on 160 meters because the man-made and atmospheric noise levels are usually quite formidable. A paradox exists in the matter of DX antennas: A vertical is ideal for DXing on 160 meters, but it's the most subject of the popular antennas to noise pickup. Most of the successful 160 DX operators use a separate antenna for receiving. Those who have the acreage to permit Beverage antennas to be installed will fare the best of all. A pioneer named H. H. Beverage developed the antenna in question back in the early 1920s. It was intended for lf and mf applications and proved to be a system that rejected atmospheric noise while favoring the desired signal. What it amounts to is a wire antenna of several wavelengths which is installed a few feet above ground and pointed toward the part of the world from which the received signal will come. The far end of the wire is terminated in a pure resistance which matches that of the receiver input. Ideally, the terminating resistance is connected to a system of buried radial wires, but some amateurs have reported good results when connecting the terminating resistor to a long rod driven into

the earth. A Beverage antenna responds to the incoming wave from the direction it is pointed. Energy arriving from the opposite end of the wire (QRN and signals) travels along the wire and is dissipated in the termination. It may be necessary to use a preamplifier between the antenna and the receiver to compensate for signal loss with the antenna.⁵ This will depend on the sensitivity of the receiver used. Some 160 DX operators have several Beverage antennas for receiving, each being oriented toward a part of the world where there is amateur activity. These antennas are effective also for low-noise reception on 80 meters. One has to be a "land baron" to accommodate large receiving antennas of this type, but they are extremely useful in DX work.⁶

A compromise to the Beverage antenna is a small receiving loop.⁷ Because of its inefficiency, it is necessary to employ a preamplifier which will provide 25 to 30 dB of gain. If a sense antenna is used with the loop, a cardioid response pattern will result. The latter can be directed toward the area of interest, and signals and QRN will be rejected off the back side of the loop.

A random length of wire (with preamplifier) can be run in almost any compass direction a few feet above ground to provide a low-noise receiving antenna. The far end of the wire can be grounded to make it function like a loop — the earth serving as the missing leg of the loop. When this is done the maximum response will be at right angles to the plane of the loop, provided the loop is large in terms of wavelength. It is useful to have an antenna switch at the receiver to permit use of the low-noise antenna and the vertical, as sometimes the vertical may be the better antenna.

Ground Systems

It is a well-established fact that the more extensive the ground system, the better the results with a quarter-wavelength vertical antenna. However, not all 160-meter operators have the property to permit an ideal ground-radial system. Many are forced to make do with what is available, and good results are obtained frequently. Those who have the room for a proper ground system will have a hundred radials or more, each being in excess of a quarter wavelength in size. They can be buried a few inches below the earth's surface, they can be placed on the ground, or they can be a mixture of in-ground and on-ground wires. But for those who can't manage a spectacular ground system, a few wires will be better than none. Furthermore, the wires need not extend uniformly in the various compass directions. Put them where you can, even if some must be wrapped around the house and

garage. If they have to be less than a quarter wavelength long, use them anyway. The wire can be insulated or bare, and the performance will be the same.

In a desperate situation the operator should bond together all things that will serve in the ground system — metal fences, power company grounds and the water-pipe system of the house. Each ground that is added will make some difference in the performance of the antenna.

Some Operating Hints

Split-frequency operation is the rule rather than the exception in DX work on 160 meters. Most DX stations transmit in the DX Window (1825 to 1830 kHz), but listen in the lower 5 kHz of 160 for replies (1800 to 1805 kHz). A courteous U.S. operator will remain outside the DX Window at all times. When working Hawaii one must listen near 2000 kHz for the KH6s, but he will transmit near 1800 kHz when replying. To enjoy maximum versatility in operating it is wise to employ two receivers. One is kept tuned to the DX station's frequency, and the other is tuned to the operator's transmit frequency. This will enable the operator to keep tabs on what's happening on his frequency, especially in a pileup. Knowing when to call the DX station (timing) will be bolstered by monitoring your own frequency.

There is a syndrome that seems to have developed some years back, in which cw DX chasers call "CQ DX" for interminable periods of time at speeds of 5 wpm or less. An ordinary operator could have two or three short QSOs while one of these fellows was calling a single CQ. There's no need to monopolize the small band in that fashion, as most DX stations can copy high-speed cw as well as we U.S. hams can. Admittedly, slow-speed cw is easier to copy during adverse band conditions, but if the need arises to slow down it can be done after the contact is established.

Some DX stations listen on their own transmit frequencies and operate outside the DX Window, especially if they are equipped with transceivers. They may appear in the lower 10 kHz of 160, or elsewhere. Over-zealous DXers can ruin communications for everyone by calling the station again and again without allowing a period of quiet for the calling stations to find out who was heard and answered. A DX hog can spoil things for everyone, and in the process deny himself a needed contact. The moral of the story is use short calls and allow reasonable periods for listening to the frequency between calling periods.

It has been said that there are some operators among us who are "power mongers." In areas where the maximum

legal power limits at night are 100 watts it has been reported that there are those using in excess of 1 kW. Violators refer to their amplifiers jokingly as "active antenna couplers." This writer has been told of specific operators who have parallel 4-1000As, three 813s or a single 4-1000A in the PA. Perhaps that's the way to become a big frog in a little pond, but it's definitely not in keeping with the real amateur spirit. If we're to keep 160 meters deserving of the title "gentlemen's band," operating legally and politely seems like the only thing to do.

Those wishing to keep abreast of events on top band can obtain W1BB's excellent newsletter for a small fee. Worldwide and local DX news is contained in the publication. Prime time for DXing is from October to May of each year, even though some long-haul DX work is done in the summer months. Perhaps it's time that you jumped into the game and tried your hand on one of the most fascinating bands we have on 160 meters. If we should meet someday at a hamfest, and one or both of us look rumpled and haggard, chances will be that we've been up all night chasing DX on top band!

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Morse Code to ASCII Translator Using a Microcomputer

Everybody talks about receiving hand-sent Morse code by machine, but not many people do anything about it. In truth, it's no big problem for a microcomputer.

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With the advent of microprocessors it has become a possibility to feed Morse code into the computer and have the code translated into readable text, either as a printout or on a video display. For several years we have explored the possibility of developing such a Morse code reader using a computing device as a base. In the last few years, the availability of low-priced microprocessors has made it possible and attractive to come up with a simple code-reader program.

The program for Morse code reading was devised for an F8 Survival Kit (Mostek) using an ASR33 teleprinter. This kit has an effective monitor system in 1000×8 -bit ROM (read only memory) using 1000×8 -bit RAM (random access memory) for application programs and is available for under \$150. Additional performance of the F8 computer is a programmable timer and an external interrupt input line to which the Morse code interrupt signal is conducted.

By proper programming it is possible to process "simultaneously" several real-time signals, e.g., Morse code and TTY output for full-duplex communication between the F8 and its environment. This should be mentioned because there exists the possibility to handle in the same way the TTY code speed conversion, e.g., writing the Baudot code with an ASCII teleprinter and vice versa. This problem was also solved with the F8 system.

The Criteria of Character Evaluation

The characters in Morse code are composed of different numbers of ele-

ments. The basic elements of a character are the dot and the dash. The basic problem in character evaluation represents the element and interval recognition. The decision into which category the certain element belongs depends on prescribed criteria. Let us consider the criteria on which the computer program is based. If we denote by E_n and E_{n+1} the n th and $(n+1)$ th element of a character and $d(E)$ signifies the length of the element, then the following holds

If $\frac{2}{3} d(E_n) < d(E_{n+1}) < 2d(E_n)$
then $E_{n+1} = E_n$

If $\frac{2}{3} d(E_n) \geq d(E_{n+1})$
then $E_n = \text{dash}, E_{n+1} = \text{dot}$

If $2d(E_n) \leq d(E_{n+1})$
then $E_n = \text{dot}, E_{n+1} = \text{dash}$

The above criteria say that an element equals the preceding one if it is not shorter than 66 percent and not longer than 200 percent of the preceding element; otherwise, it does not equal the preceding one and is in the first case (≤ 66 percent) a dot and in second (≥ 200 percent) a dash.

The intervals are evaluated and classified by the following criteria: If $d(P_0)$ is the length of the interval between two successive elements, then it holds

If $2d(P_0) < d(P_n) < 4d(P_0)$
then P_n is the interval between two characters (P_n is n th interval in a character)

If $4d(P_0) < d(P_n)$
then P_n is the interval between two words

If $d(P_n) = L$ then the message is finished

So, the interval equals the interval between two characters if it is between 200 percent and 400 percent of the interval between two elements of a character. If the interval is longer we consider it as an interval between two words; and if it reaches the certain length L , we consider the message finished.

The Algorithm of Character Recognition

Let us assume there are counters for measuring the lengths of single elements, that there is a register (IB) which collects the elements of a character, the counter (IC) that counts the number of the received character elements and that some registers into which we will store the reference values of element and interval lengths are available.

When the first element of a character is received, we store its length for the further evaluation and set $IB = 1$. Additional elements of a character are evaluated by using the criteria described. If the element equals the first one, then we catenate 1 to the contents of IB; otherwise, we catenate 0.

For instance, if the character B (---) were received we would have in IB the value B'00001000' (B means binary) and in IC the value 4; when receiving the character F (---), the content of IB equals B'00001101' and the content IC equals 4.

By means of characters composed of mixed elements, we can state whether the first element was a dot or a dash. If

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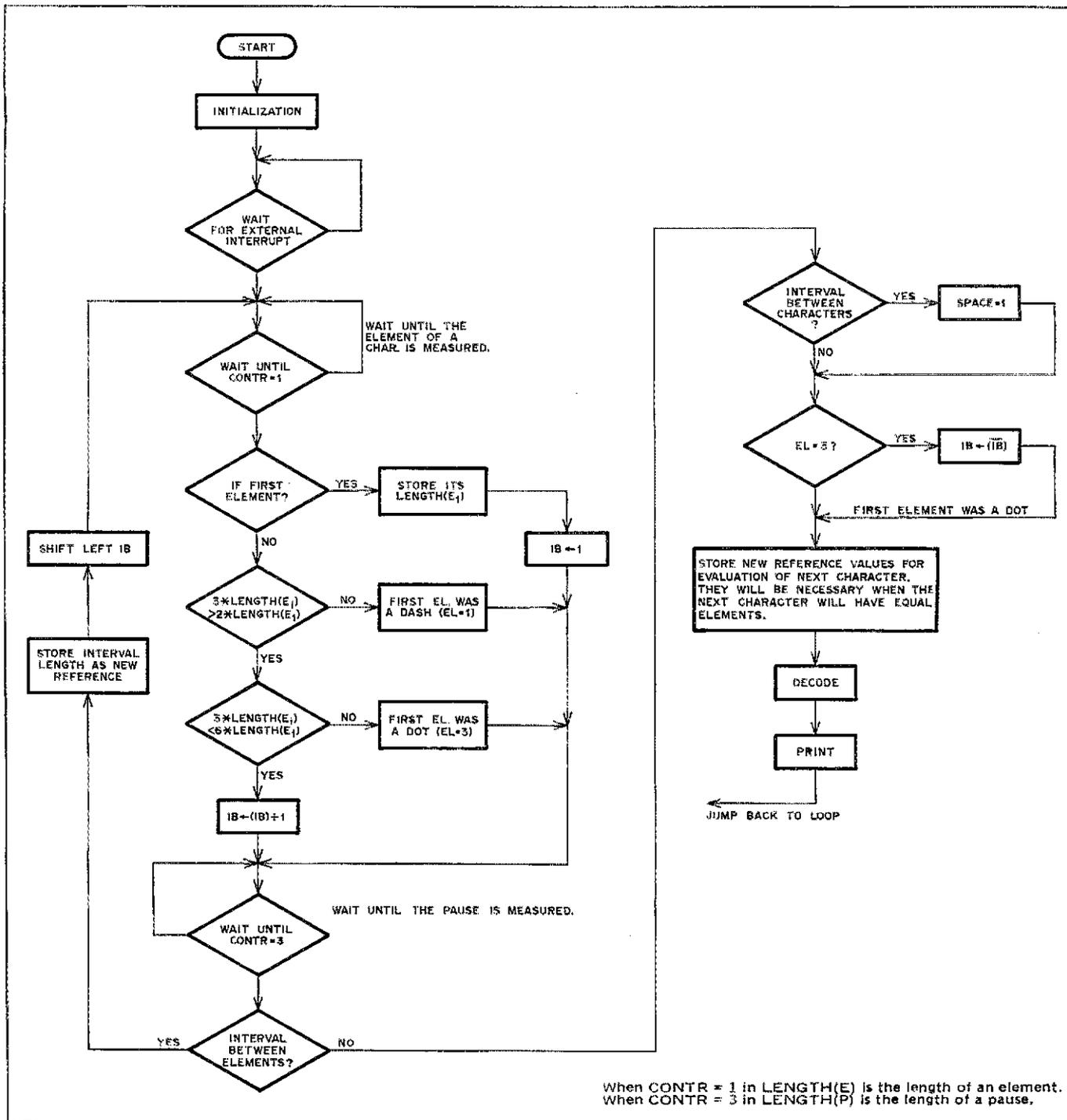


Fig. 1 — Flow diagram of the algorithms for character evaluation.

the first element was a dash then the value in IB is already valid. But if the first element was a dot, then IB must be complemented to get the right value (dash = 1, dot = 0). As we see there are no difficulties in the recognition of characters with mixed elements (A, B, C, D, F, 1, 2, 3, etc.).

In recognizing of the characters composed of equal elements (E, T, I, S, etc.) we take the length of the first element of a character with mixed elements, received last, as the reference

in evaluation. The basic limitation for the correct activity of the algorithm is that the first character must include mixed elements.

The aim of interval evaluation is to tell us at which moment the element collecting must be finished, the interval between words (space) must be generated, and the recognition reception ends.

Program Description

The program is composed of three

segments: the Morse code recognizer, the decoder of Morse code into ASCII and the output in line form (60 characters a line).¹ Input and output are used in the full duplex mode. While receiving a new Morse character, the preceding one is typed out in ASCII.

Roughly, the course of the program

¹ [Editor's Note: Because of space limitation we are making the actual F8 program available separately. The program is available in photocopy for \$4, postpaid from ARRL headquarters.]

is the following: after initialization, the program waits for external interrupt. The first Morse element of the first character releases the interrupt and the control is transferred to external interrupt service routine. This one sets the timer to the appropriate value. Next, the program will be periodically interrupted by the time, and the timer interrupt service routine (TISR) will be executed. TISR measures the element and pause lengths and puts out the ASCII characters serially. Simultaneously, the main program evaluates and classifies the elements and pauses. When it recognizes the interval between two characters, it decodes the received character to ASCII. Then the program initiates the output and the control is returned to the beginning.

As the second and the third part of the program are not directly concerned with the problem of Morse code reading, we will concentrate our attention on the essential, i.e., the first part of the program. This part is the implementation of the previously described algorithm. Its flow chart is shown in Fig. 1. The measuring of elements is performed with timer interrupts. TISR is composed of two parts. The first part decides if either an element or a pause is at the input. It adequately increments the counter that measures the length of an element or a pause. TISR informs the main program about the conclusion of the measurement, assigning a certain value to the control variable (CONTR). The second part of the TISR puts out ASCII characters bit by bit to the teleprinter. Its function is to form the start and stop bits and to output single information bits in accordance with the teleprinter speed. The flow chart of TISR is presented in Fig. 1. The frequency of timer interrupts (frequency with which the TISR is called) is chosen according to the teleprinter speed. In our case it equals $1136 \mu\text{s}$ ($8 \times 1,136 = 9.09 \mu\text{s}$) for a bit or 110 baud.

The communication between the main program and TISR is based on common memory locations. The simple mechanism of waiting loops provides effective control of this communication. In the main program, traps are set in the form of waiting loops. As soon as TISR assigns to the control variable (CONTR) a certain value (the measurement of an element or a pause is finished), the main program continues. According to the described algorithm the program collects single elements and forms a Morse character. It also counts the number of character elements. With this information it can then decode the Morse character to ASCII.

This program is written for Mostek's F8 microcomputer and it occupies 750 bytes of memory. The measuring and comparing of elements and pauses are

performed with double precision (16 bits). Also, the program covers the whole range of normal Morse transmission speeds (5 to 60 wpm). By evaluating the elements and pauses separately a good recognition reliability is achieved. This measuring method was arrived at after experimenting in evaluating the elements and pauses with the same reference value. The program is insensitive to the code transmission speed being received. So it is practically insensitive to continuous changes in transmission speed. The program is provided with some diagnostic messages. If the received character has more than six elements an asterisk is printed. If the received elements do not compose any of the Morse characters the character @ (ASCII hex 40) is printed.

Conclusion

This Morse code to ASCII translator has the advantage of using a computer program which can be modified (maintained) in several ways. By few modifications this program will write the Morse text in Baudot code with different speeds (e.g., 45.45 to 100 baud). In

this way the same hardware (priced under \$150) can be used for several jobs, e.g., also for translation of ASCII to Baudot code and vice versa.

The main problem in the described translator represents the accumulation of characters in the buffer since the transmission speed is at best, equal to the receiving speed or lower. So by translating long text the buffer becomes full and failures appear. This is the consequence of the fact that the character transmission (bit by bit) is also performed by the program. This effect can be overcome by enlarging the buffer in RAM and can be eliminated using separate hardware for parallel-to-serial conversion of output (TTY) characters.

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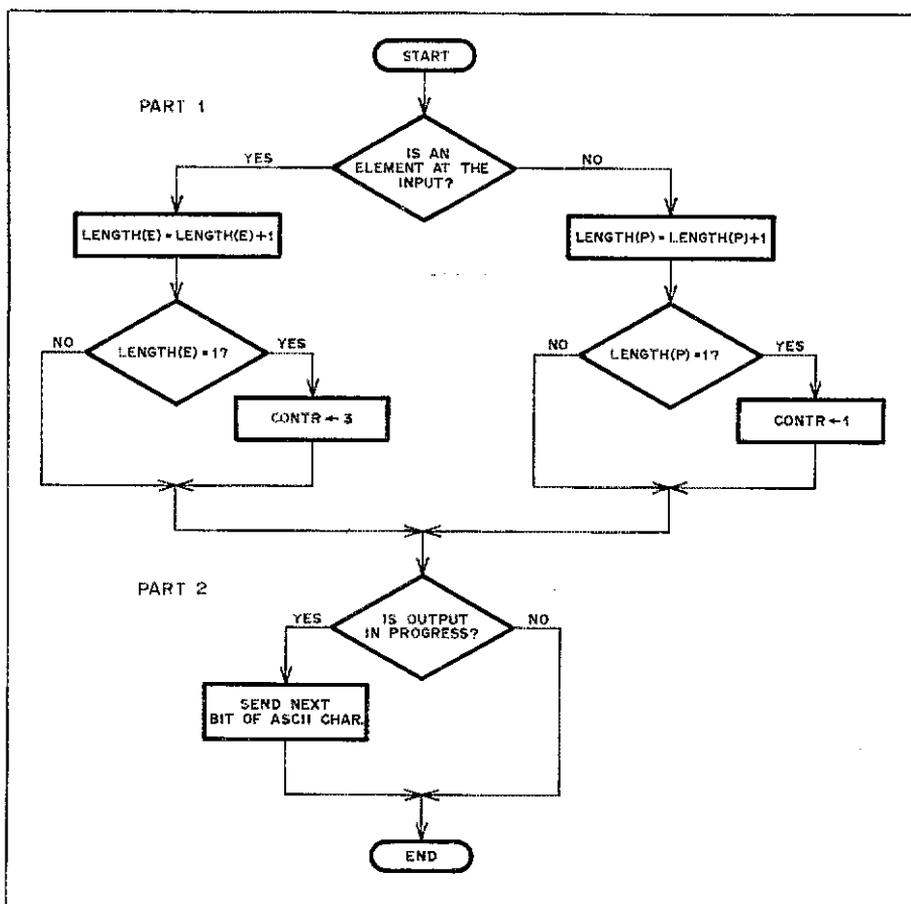


Fig. 2 - Flow diagram of the timer interrupt service routine (TISR). When CONTR = 1 in, LENGTH(E) is the length of an element; when CONTR = 3 in, LENGTH(P) is the length of a pause.

Product Review

Yaesu FT-301D 160-Through 10-M Transceiver

Let's get acquainted with the FT-301D! It's a handsome piece of merchandise — smaller than other hf-band "imports," black in color and with that new "military" look which seems to be coming from the Orient these days. It covers 160 through 10 meters and provides approximately 100 watts of key-down output with its all-solid-state format. Available operating modes are ssb (upper and lower sideband), cw, a-m and fsk. A six-character digital frequency display resides symmetrically at the upper center of the panel. There is no analog readout facility to complement the red LED display. One complete revolution of the main tuning knob provides 16 kHz of frequency change.

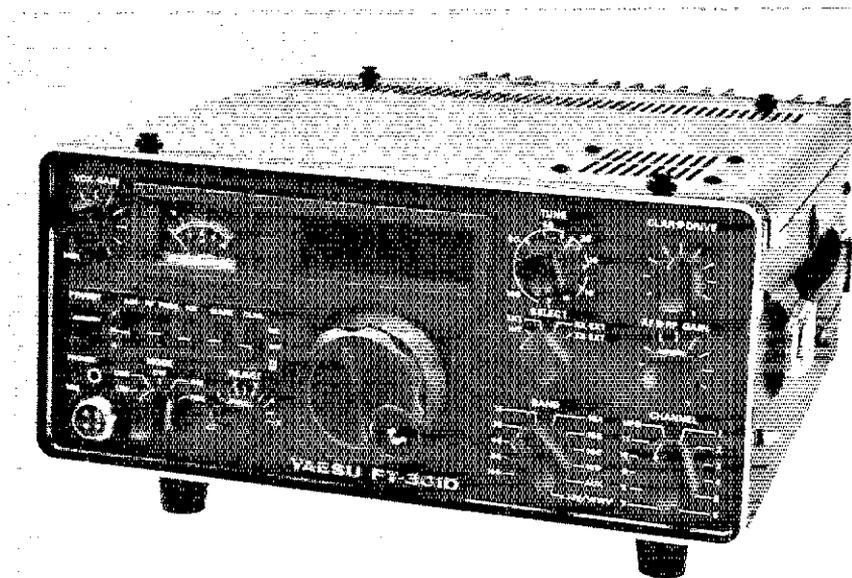
Among the other features of interest to the prospective buyer are the following: The ac power supply (FP-301 or FP-301D) is separate from the main transceiver. This results in a much more compact mobile package than is found with the FT-101E series. The weight is approximately 10 pounds less than the '101E. There is an adjustable VOX. Full QSK has not been provided for, but break-in delay is available for cw operation.

In the filtering department we find the customary ssb-bandwidth i-f lattice filter (2.4 kHz at -6 dB and 4.0 kHz at -60 dB). Optional filters are available for a-m (6 kHz at -6 dB) and cw/fsk (600 Hz at -6 dB and 1.2 kHz at -60 dB). A rejection filter is adjustable from the front panel. It utilizes a crystal in series with a tuning capacitor to function as a series high-Q notch filter at the i-f. The crystal can be "rubbered" over the entire i-f passband. Although the reviewer did not measure the notch depth, it appeared to be 30 dB or greater in magnitude. An RC active filter (3 kHz) is used in the audio circuit as a further aid to QRM and noise reduction.

A built-in noise blander is part of the system offered with the composite FT-301D. As is true with all blankers, ordinary ambient noise and atmospheric QRN are not reduced significantly by the circuit. However, the '301D blander is the most effective one tested by this writer when it is used for the intended purpose — removing pulse types of noise. Automotive spark-plug hash simply vanished during mobile checks on 10 meters. On 160 meters the night-time LORAN signal level reaches 30 dB over S9 at W1FB. The noise blander chopped the LORAN to S3 without degrading the sensitivity of the receiver! The same tests were performed with the FT-101E blander, and the LORAN pulses were cut to only S8 from 30 dB over S9. No evidence of receiver degradation (cross-modulation) was observed with the blander actuated, even with W1AW operating two blocks away.

An rf speech processor is built into the FT-301. It can be made operative by installing the optional crystal filter which is required to complete the circuit.

The age can be set for fast, medium or slow by means of a front-panel switch. A 100-kHz calibrator is built into the trans-



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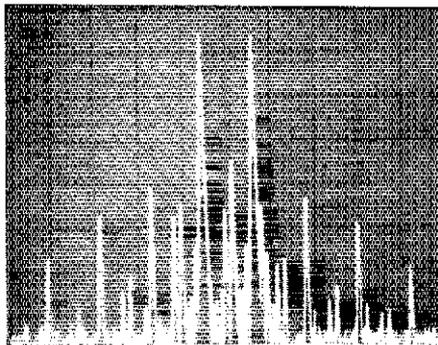


Fig. 1 — Two-tone test for IMD products. The third order products are down approximately 40 dB from full output. Individual signals are down 6 dB from the PEP output.

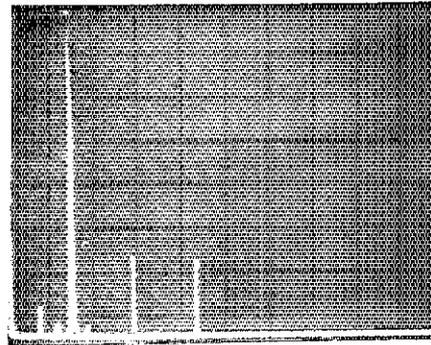


Fig. 2 — Spectral analysis of the 40-meter output, or worse case condition. The second harmonic is attenuated 55 dB and the third harmonic (farthest to right) is down approximately 57 dB. The FT301D exceeds FCC standards for spurious emissions.

ceiver. If the operator desires to use an external VFO with the unit, he can purchase the FV-301 for that purpose. For mobile operation the transceiver is connected directly to the 13.5-volt dc line in the automobile. A stable RIT circuit is also a feature of the '301D.

Performance Traits

The writer used one of the first FT-301Ds available in the USA for a 1976 DXpedition to Barbados (8P6EU/8P6FJ). It performed flawlessly, even in the boiling tropical sun during the peak of the day. Operation was carried out on ssb and cw from 160 through 10 meters. All of the signal reports received were "top quality." Despite the wide varia-

tions between day and night temperature frequency stability was excellent. Lab measurements of the drift were made later, and no more than 100 Hz of change was noted for any one-hour period. The digital display was entirely readable in all but the brightest sunlight. From a subjective point of view, the '301D receiver has a much smoother sound than that of the FT-101B and E mode checked by the writer. That is, the noise seems lower in level, and the frequency response of the audio is more suited to communications work.

The present model of the FT-301D has a few circuit changes in the receiver front end and we're happy to report that the 11-meter band (CB) has been deleted from the box th-

is current available! Bravo for Yaesu!

ARRL laboratory tests were conducted to determine the dynamic-range characteristics of the receiver. The test methods used were those reported by Hayward in his *QST* article for July, 1975: noise floor = -133 dBm; blocking occurs at 100 dB above the noise floor; IMD is 75 dB above the noise floor.

Transmitter spectral purity meets or exceeds the FCC-required -40 dB. No evidence of in-band spurs was noted from 160 through 10 meters. The latter is usually found in solid-state amplifiers which have low-frequency instability.

The transmitter PA is SWR protected. That is, as the SWR increases, the drive to the PA is reduced. This protects the amplifier transistors from damage. During the 1976 DXpedition some operator errors caused the transmitter to look into dead shorts and at least one open condition with full drive applied. No damage to the equipment resulted. A problem was averted during that operation by removing the cover from the ac-operated power supply. The line frequency on Barbados is 50 Hz, and the power transformer in the ac supply became extremely hot in a short period of time. In fact, the paint on the cabinet (above the transformer) began to blister and smoke from the heat. The cabinet has only a few small vent holes, so removal of the cover seemed appropriate. The problem was cured through that "modification," and the transformer operated just warm to the

touch thereafter. Here in the USA during operation from 117-volt, 60-Hz mains there is no evidence of excessive heating in the power supply.

Final Comments

An interesting experiment was conducted with the FT-301D for the sake of operating the transceiver at lower power. Normal peak current drain during transmit (full power) is on the order of 20 amperes. For low-power use it seemed possible that the PA "brick" could be removed from the rear of the transceiver to permit routing the 10-watt driver through the PA output filters to the antenna jack (the PA filters are internal and switchable). The brick was removed quickly after releasing two spring-loaded holding screws and pulling the module from its socket. BNC connectors (two) on the rear of the '301D are used as input and output terminals for the PA assembly. A BNC jumper cable was used to join the two connectors, thereby routing the driver output through the harmonic filters. Operation was excellent, and maximum current drain was only 4 amperes. Part of that drain resulted from the frequency counter and digital display. A steady carrier output of 7 watts was obtained. The only shortcoming noted was that the meter was no longer operative during the transmit period. An external SWR indicator served as the power-output meter while peaking the drive control. Not only did the current drain of the

rig drop markedly, but the size and weight of the transceiver was greatly reduced!

The FP-301D power supply comes equipped with a 24-hour digital clock. It also contains an internal speaker which is somewhat larger and better sounding than the tiny one built into the transceiver. An IC can be ordered with the operator's call programmed in it. The IC is installed in the power supply so that an internal keying circuit can be actuated from the panel to send the station identification over the air as desired.

All of the circuit-board modules are plug-in units. This makes servicing relatively simple. The color scheme of the transceiver and FP-301D is low-glare black with gold trim. The writer considers the FT-301D a quality product which should offer reliable service to the purchaser. — *WJFB*

The Yaesu FT-301D

Dimensions (HWD) and weight: 125 x 280 x 370 mm, 9 kg.

Power requirements: 13.5 volts dc (negative ground) at 2.1 A for the transmitter. For the receiver, 13.5 volts at 1.1 A.

Receiver audio power: 3 watts at 10 percent total harmonic distortion.

Price class: \$935 (transceiver), \$125 (power supply FP-301D).

U.S. distributor: Yaesu Electronics Corp., 15954 Downey Ave., Paramount, CA 90723.

MIDLAND 13-509 220-MHz TRANSCEIVER

The Midland Model 13-509 is a 1-1/4-meter fm transceiver. Power output is dual range, 1 or 10 watts selectable, with provision for 12 repeater or simplex channels. The unit is designed primarily for mobile use with a 12-volt, negative-ground supply. With all the activity on 2 meters today, many hams are considering "220" as a good band for vhf operation, repeater or simplex. The 13-509 is Midland's entry into this band.

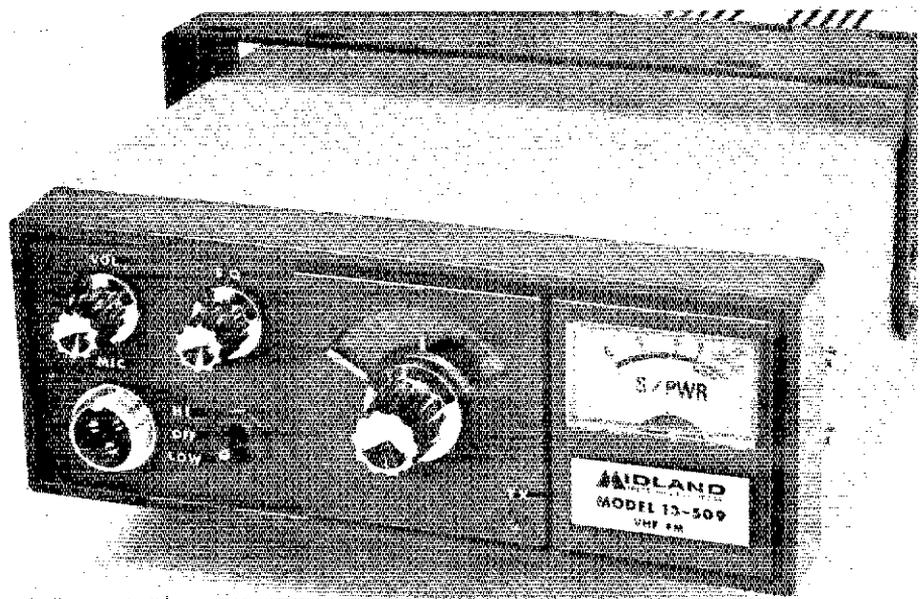
The Receiver

Midland utilizes dual-conversion design with MOSFET devices in a straightforward circuit, the aim being to obtain high signal sensitivity and to reduce cross-modulation products. Audio output is about 2 watts. The frequency is controlled by a 53-MHz, 3rd-overtone crystal, multiplied four times.

The Transmitter

The oscillator starts with an 18-MHz, fundamental-type crystal. The signal is multiplied by 12 up to the operating frequency through a tripler, buffer-doubler and another doubler. Phase modulation is employed for the audio. Once crystals were obtained, this reviewer had no difficulty in netting the three channels used, via the frequency counter in the ARRL lab. Midland supplies the 13-509 with simplex crystals for 223.5 MHz. They are already installed and netted.

In the accompanying spectral analysis of the 13-509, readings were taken at both the low (1-watt) and high (10-watt) power levels.



The Midland 220-MHz transceiver has provisions for 12 crystal-controlled repeater or simplex channels.

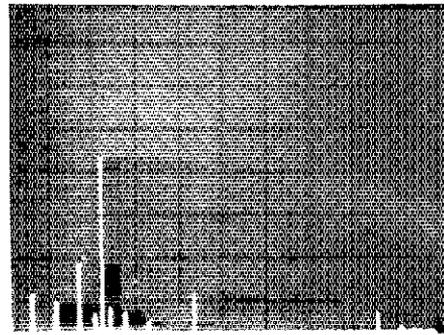
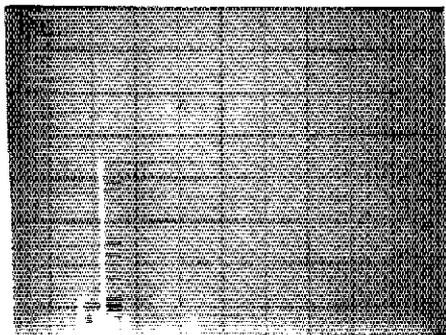
The horizontal scale is 100 MHz per division and the vertical scale is 10 dB. The carrier is notch filtered, and is approximately 36 dB down from full scale. In order to comply with the latest FCC ruling, transmitting gear operating from 30 through 235 MHz must have all spurious signals attenuated at least 40 dB for a carrier of 10 watts or less. When

reading this analysis, note that the carrier in relation to the spurious, is actually at full scale, but has been suppressed intentionally to prevent overload of the analyzer front end. In our test, the second harmonic was down about 68 dB and, under high power, improved to 72 dB, so the 13-509 meets the current FCC spurious requirements easily.

For operating mobile or in the shack, the 13-509 has some interesting features. One switch combines the on/off and low/high-power functions. The S-unit/relative-ri meter is unusually large for a rig this size and is very easy to read, unlike many of the edgewise-reading meters whose movements can be hard to follow. A four-pin socket located on the back panel allows the use of a discriminator

meter or a tone encoder for autopatch access. Midland has also incorporated an ingenious bridge in the transceiver output to monitor constantly for high VSWR; this circuit automatically disables the driver and PA stages should an abnormally high VSWR occur -- a good precaution in case a short occurs in the coaxial feed line or if the antenna becomes accidentally disconnected, for instance.

The receiver seems to have adequate sensitivity and is free from intermodulation problems; signal reports of excellent audio have, so far, been reported. The two watts of audio that the receiver supplies are far more than this writer expected -- it really fills car or shack with good-quality sound from a very small speaker. The case is finished in tan and brown, and overall construction of this vhf transceiver seems to be excellent. The 13-509 is distributed in the U.S. by Midland International Corp., P. O. Box 1903, Kansas City, MO 64141. -- *WA1EEA*



Spectral output of the Midland 13-509 220-MHz transmitter. At the left is shown 1-watt operation, and 10-watt operation at the right. See text for explanation of the display.

Midland 13-509 220-MHz Transceiver

Dimensions: (HWD) 2-1/4 x 6-3/8 x 8-7/8 inches.

Weight: 4-1/2 pounds.

Operating voltage: 13.8-V dc, negative ground, nominal.

Rf power output: 1 or 10 watts, selectable.

Receiver sensitivity: 0.5 microvolt for 20 dB of quieting.*

Squelch threshold: less than 0.3 microvolt.

Price class: \$250.

*Manufacturer's ratings, not verified in the ARRL lab.

MULTICORE ALU-SOL, SOLDERING ALUMINUM

I watched with fascination as the man demonstrated his company's technique for soldering aluminum during ELECTRO-77 in NYC. Apart from the myriad commercial exhibits at the IEEE trade show, the Multicore booth seemed to stand on its own as the crowd pushed closer and closer to the demonstration table. A company representative was soldering pieces of aluminum together with absolute ease, and there were looks of awe and delight on the faces of those who watched. "Fantastic," I heard someone mutter, and in my mind I was saying, "Unbelievable." I recalled the many times I had attempted to obtain a good bond between pieces of aluminum while using ordinary solder and some special flux material. The main problem was getting the metal hot as quickly as possible, then applying the solder before the surface to be soldered began oxidizing. It practically required a magician's skill to accomplish that feat as oxidation, however invisible to the human eye, formed almost immediately. This caused a poor bond between the solder and pieces of metal being joined. The longevity of the bond was usually short -- weeks, or months at best.

The man in the Multicore booth was working with a hot plate (kitchen type) and a roll of Multicore Alu-Sol 45D. He was placing one-inch squares of aluminum on the hot plate so that they would reach the required temperature of 350°C as quickly as possible, thereby minimizing oxidation on the surface of the metal. The aluminum solder was then allowed to flow over the heated metal. It ran as smoothly as water, leaving a relatively uniform surface. No external flux was applied: The required flux was contained in the

Alu-Sol! Some of us onlookers were amazed further when we saw the man wash the residue away with ordinary tap water. That's right, no special chemicals are needed to clean the finished work! The fellow doing the demonstrating advised us that the residue should be washed off the work as soon as possible because the residue is slightly corrosive. Also, it will absorb moisture from the atmosphere.

Some Characteristics

Alu-Sol 45D contains 18 percent tin, 1.9 percent silver and 80.1 percent lead. The melting range is 178 to 270°C (Fahrenheit 352 to 518). Its electrical conductivity is 8.7 percent of copper. The flux content is 2.8 percent by weight.

The fumes produced by any soldering flux should be avoided. Multicore Co. states that none of its fluxes are likely to be harmful to humans if the exposure is occasional and short in duration. It is recommended that any type of soldering which involves flux material be done in a well-ventilated area. After using Alu-Sol, the operator should wash his or her hands immediately. The solder and flux should not be allowed to touch food items, and the material should be stored out of the reach of infants. These rules apply, of course, to any toxic or dangerous materials used in electronics work. The watchword in cases like this should always be "safety."

Soldering

The thermal conductivity of aluminum is only about half that of copper. Therefore, it is important that the joint, as well as the aluminum surrounding the joint, be well heated before the solder is applied.

Although a heavy-duty soldering iron can

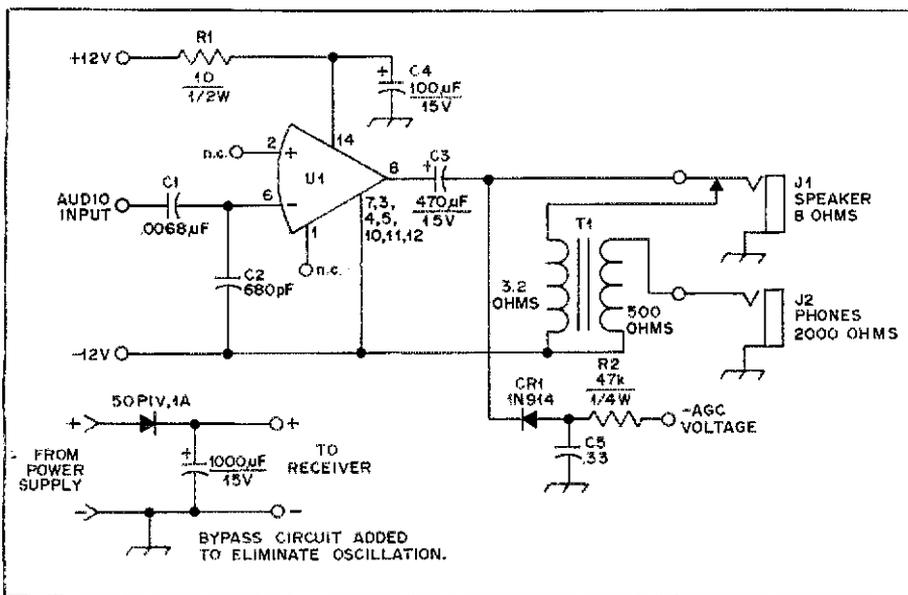
be used with Alu-Sol 45D, a butane or propane torch is more suitable for fast heating of large pieces of work. The material should be heated quickly by directing the torch flame toward both pieces of aluminum or alloy, alternately, until the surface temperatures are between 350 and 450°C. Next, apply the aluminum solder, but avoid directing the torch flame onto the solder joint. In other words, the solder should be melted by the surface of the metal being soldered -- not by the torch flame.

It is worth mentioning that Alu-Sol is compatible with normal standard solders. It contains no bismuth, zinc, cadmium or aluminum. It will solder practically all metals including stainless steel!

Perhaps you're wondering now just what aluminum solder would be of value to radio amateurs? Well, how about that vhf or uhf beam antenna you've been wanting to build? Wouldn't it be nice to solder the elements to the boom? You betcha! Or how about that homemade chassis or utility box that could be fashioned from scraps of aluminum? Aluminum solder will be useful when soldering brackets to an aluminum chassis. Alu-Sol should be quite handy when building antennas from aluminum clothesline wire, especially when it comes to making an electrical connection for the feed line.

According to Multicore, this great new solder is available from any distributor who handles the regular Multicore product line. Don't forget to clean the surfaces you're planning to solder. They should be smooth and free of grease, chemicals or dirt before the work begins -- the basic rule for any type of soldering. Additional literature is available from Multicore, Westbury, NY 11590. -- *W1FB*

Hints and Kinks



A circuit for improving the audio of the *QST* course receiver.

MORE AUDIO FOR *QST* COURSE RECEIVER

One aspect of the 80-meter "course" transistorized receiver featured in the April through September 1974 issues of *QST* (DeMaw and McCoy, "Learning to Work with Semiconductors") that I felt could be improved was the limited gain of the audio amplifier. It was impossible to drive the speaker with the amount of audio provided.

A review of the IC power amplifiers now available for operation at 12 volts led me to consider the LM-380 which is a 12-transistor 2-watt IC amplifier (Poly Pak no. 92CU2000 or Radio Shack 276-1725) for this application, even though I have not seen such use described in *QST* or other amateur journals. Its input characteristic is well-suited for communications circuits.

Results with this little amplifier have been highly satisfactory, with excellent headphone volume and sufficient speaker output for a small room. Difficulties were encountered initially with oscillation at frequencies above the audio range. The problem was cured by connecting a 1000- μ F, 15-V, electrolytic capacitor from the receiver side of the protective diode in the power supply to ground.

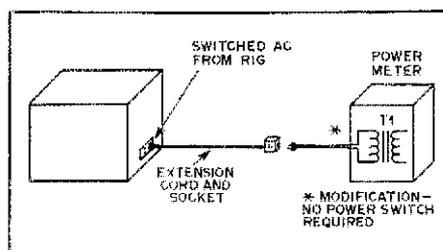
One item of information missing from the specification sheets for the LM-380 was the signal level required to drive the amplifier to full output. However, gain was found to be excessive when the amplifier was connected to the full secondary winding of the product detector at coupling transformer of the receiver. Consequently, the center tap of the transformer winding was used to feed the volume control and the amplifier. Because of the excellent-quality audio output, the low cost and relatively small size, this af power

amplifier is recommended for use in other transistorized receiver projects. — *Herbert L. Lev, Jr., ex-W3VYN*

SWITCHING ARRANGEMENT FOR THE PEP WATTMETER

In "Hints and Kinks" for July, 1977, I made reference to the easy switching arrangement I use for applying power to the PEP Wattmeter a la Heath. The power cord, as shown in Fig. 3, is connected to the transmitter power switch. The plug and receptacle line-cord coupling is convenient for removing the wattmeter, if necessary.

I'd like to stress again the need for good shielding to prevent erratic operation. A back cover is a must for the meter. Removal of paint is essential at points of contact between the cover and the meter enclosure, as well as between the two chassis as mentioned in the July article. — *Jay Kobelin, WA2FIJ*

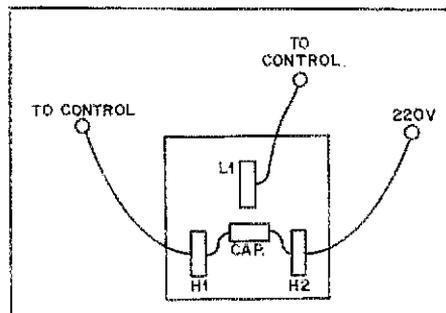


The PEP Wattmeter a la Heath may be switched on or off from the transmitter power switch by using this convenient arrangement.

S9 NOISE — WELL-BAKED

At last! After two years of frustration it was finally solved . . . S9-plus noise throughout the spectrum when our electric stove was operated in the BAKE position. The cure for the problem was provided by the service manager of the Gibson Stove Company in Providence, RI. He informed me that most stoves have a thermostat relay just inside the rear of the stove and to the left of the 220-V entrance. Apparently, this relay has a reputation for causing havoc — not only with ham gear, but also with TV sets and stereo equipment.* A capacitor (0.05 to 0.1 μ F, 600 V) placed across the terminals as shown in the drawing will suppress the noise. While the code letters on the terminals for the control may differ from stove to stove, the capacitor is placed across the bottom terminals as indicated. CAUTION: Be sure to disconnect the 220-V line at the source before installing the capacitor. — *Tom Galante, WA1PWZ*

*[Editor's Note: The thermostat for the domestic hot water supply in some furnaces can also be a source of strong interference, even from a neighbor's home.]



Electrical noise, generated by an electric-range oven thermostat relay, may be suppressed with a bypass capacitor connected across these relay terminals.

COUNTER PROBE

Many frequency counters do not have adequate sensitivity for measurement of receiver crystal-oscillator output frequencies. For this reason, I purchased a preamplifier probe, advertised by Page Electronics (*QST* for Dec., 1976, page 148). This device provides an ideal solution for the problem of insufficient sensitivity. Alternatively, one could build a wide-band preamplifier.

Often, however, an amateur might have access to an Ameco or similar preamplifier which will serve the purpose admirably by adding a piece of RG-58/U coaxial cable, terminated in a one- or two-turn loop for the pickup probe. The preamplifier output is coupled to the counter via a short piece of coax.

To use this system, place the pickup loop

near the receiver crystal and tune the preamp carefully across the approximate crystal frequency. The counter will flip between several frequencies until one tunes to the actual output frequency. The counter will then lock in and the frequency can be read.

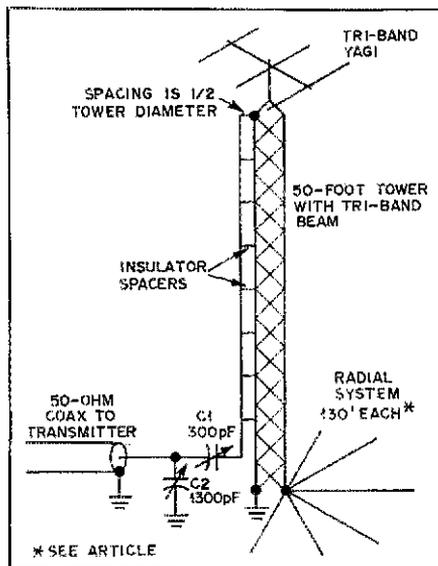
Using this scheme, I have easily measured the 9-MHz frequency of a Drake TR-4 carrier oscillator, all the TR-4 receiver mixer crystals, including the ones for the 43-MHz overtone mode, and the receiver crystals in a 12-channel 2-meter rig with excellent results. — Roy Albright, W5EYB/NSRA

160-METER VERTICAL ANTENNA

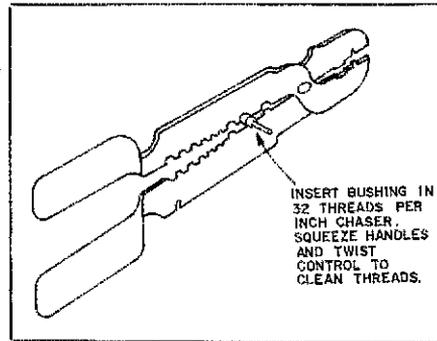
Horace Greeley is said to have advised one to go west. I did and am now on Johnston Island.* My advice for those who want to work 160-meter DX is, "Go vertical!" Let me say that I formerly used a full-size dipole, 90 feet high, which ran nearly the length of a football field. DX results were fair. But thanks to KH6ABF, I changed to the vertical antenna illustrated here. Since then my signal-strength reports from DX stations are generally three to four S units better than with the dipole. Running my TX-4C barefoot, my first contact was 6,000 miles away.

Most of the features of the vertical are shown in the drawing. The tower is top loaded by the tri-band Yagi antenna. A good ground is a must. I believe that the radials should be 130 feet long, and the more radials the better. No. 12 copper wire was used for the shunt-fed system, which extends the length of the tower. It is supported and spaced from the tower by means of plastic pipe. The two capacitors, C1 and C2, are mounted in a plastic box affixed to the tower. Tuning is just a matter of adjusting the two capacitors for minimum SWR, which in my case was 1.2 to 1. — Capt. Marvin Feldman, KJ6DL

*[Editor's Note: Capt. Feldman has moved to Hawaii since these data were contributed for use in QST.]



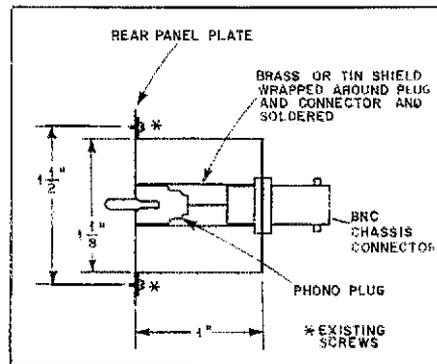
Shunt-fed vertical antenna for 160-meter band.



Method of repairing threads on shaft bushings.

REPAIRING THREADS ON SHAFT BUSHINGS

Some wire strippers and terminal mashers, such as the T & B Sta-Kon tool, WT100M, have thread chasers to use for cleaning screw threads. All one has to do is to clamp the screw between the jaws of the die, then turn the screw with a screwdriver. For repairing threads on the bushings of variable capacitors, volume controls, jacks, toggle switches and pilot lights, one can use the 32-threads-per-inch chaser. Place the bushing in the no. 32 opening, squeeze the handle of the tool, and twist the device until the thread is cleared. — The Rev. Benjamin Clark, K4ZN



BNC connector for HW-2036.

TWO CHANGES FOR THE HW-2036

After constructing both the Heathkit HW-202 and the HW-2036, I have found that these otherwise well-designed sets have the same problem. Removing and re-installing the antenna connectors when changing from fixed to mobile operation and vice versa results in serious wear of the connectors after a year or so. Without defacing or permanently modifying the equipment, I solved the problem as follows.

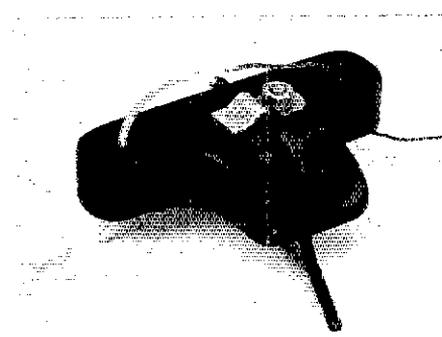
To accommodate a BNC connector and a phono plug, I made a U-bracket and attached it to the rear panel by means of the existing mounting screws. The bracket, shown in the drawing, may be constructed from brass or aluminum stock. It should be large enough to hold both the antenna connector and the auxiliary-speaker jack, should the builder so desire.

Because the HW-2036 does not lend itself to the installation of a microphone jack

without drilling the panel, I needed to provide another means for an audio-input circuit for use with RTTY. A short length of mic cable was fitted with an in-line mic jack and a mating plug was installed on the cable from the rig. This worked well and also made it easy to change microphones. — Dick Beninger, K8ILQ

A RUGGED HOMEBREW DIPOLE INSULATOR

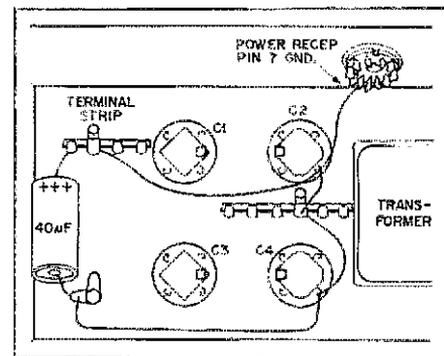
Plastic plumbing pipe material has been used by many amateurs to make antenna insulators. But the one shown in the photograph is more rugged and "a bit different." It is made from the remains of a bathroom seat! — Bill Doolittle, K1EPX



This rugged dipole insulator can take plenty of strain.

LOW VOLTAGE OUTPUT FROM THE HP-23 POWER SUPPLY

Owners of the Heath HP-23 power supply, who find an instability of voltage or low low-voltage output, should check the ground connections, especially the one for C4. Even corrosion on the positive terminal of C4 may result in below normal voltage. On my HP-23, I found that all ground points had paint under the terminals, an invitation to bad connections. My solutions were to remove the paint under the ground soldering lugs and to run ground buses as shown in the drawing. — Bill Wood, WB6FXJ



A ground bus connected in this manner will avoid a drop in low voltage that could result from poor ground connections.

Update Your OSCARLOCATOR— And Your Amateur Radio Library

Here's a simple way to improve your OSCARLOCATOR. And a new book to let you in on all the excitement of the amateur satellites.

By Jon E. Ahlquist,* WA0WYX

If you're one of the 20,000 amateurs who have found OSCAR quickly and easily with your own OSCARLOCATOR, you may have noticed that something was missing. You guessed it—beam headings for directional antennas.

Here's an easy way to adapt your OSCARLOCATOR to give approximate azimuth and elevation information at a glance.

Just Trace It

Using a permanent, nonwater-base, felt-tipped marker (available at all stationery stores), trace Fig. 1 on your QTH/Rangefinder (the small circle that shows the satellite's range) or a separate sheet of mylar, available at art supply stores. The elliptical shape will yield more accurate results for North American latitudes on the polar projection map.

Place the center of the overlay on your QTH. The straight line, now labeled "0" (zero), should be aligned so that the arrows point north. This indicates 0 degrees azimuth.

The lines radiating from the center give azimuth bearings at 30-degree intervals, while the concentric circles give elevation bearings of 0, 30 and 60 degrees. With the relatively wide beamwidth of typical OSCAR antennas (about 60 degrees for a 10-dB gain antenna), estimates between the marks should be adequate; you should have to reposition your antennas only every two minutes or so.

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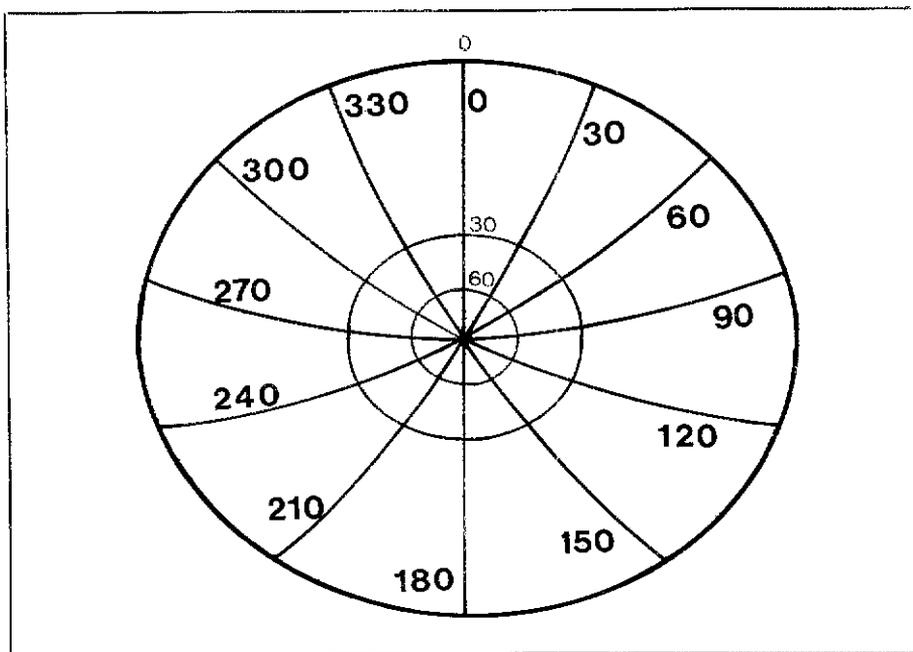


Fig. 1—Using this QTH/Rangefinder will provide accurate AOS, LOS and beam headings for all OSCAR passes in the Northern Hemisphere. Just trace it onto a piece of mylar with a felt-tipped pen. To determine DX possibilities, center the original (circular) Rangefinder on the area you are interested in working (London, for example). If OSCAR will be within range, the orbital track will fall in the area where the two Rangefinders overlap.

Using your updated and improved OSCARLOCATOR is simple. The "Orbit Finder" overlay still gives the number of minutes after equator crossing (EQX) that the satellite will be within range.

If, for example, the path of a given orbit crosses the 30-degree elevation oval at an azimuth of 180 degrees on the modified overlay, then at that in-

stant the satellite will be 30 degrees above your horizon and directly south of your QTH. With the new overlay, you can jot down the az-el data at two-minute intervals well in advance of an upcoming pass. This will let you devote every precious minute between AOS (when you first hear it) to LOS (when you lose it) to operating.

Sound easy? You bet it is! 

ARRL Satellite Book Available Now

Whether you're just starting to listen to OSCAR 7 on the upper part of 10 meters or you've already got your satellite WAS, you'll want to get a copy of the ARRL's brand-new satellite booklet—*Getting to Know OSCAR—From the Ground Up*.

Aside from reprints of the widely praised series of *QST* articles on the amateur satellites, the book has a preview of future OSCARs and a history of past ones. All you need to know to get into OSCAR is here, from tuning in the spacecraft to chasing operating awards.

Included in every copy is an attractive

four-color OSCARLOCATOR map and a coupon which can be redeemed for a free acetate sheet that incorporates the beam heading data described in the accompanying article.

How can you get your own copy? Simply send \$3 to the ARRL, or look for it at your amateur radio supply store.

20th Jamboree-on-the-Air, 1977

This fun weekend is strictly "no contest." But there's lots of DX and even more excitement to be had when scouts meet hams over the airwaves.

By Morris Jones,* N6DE

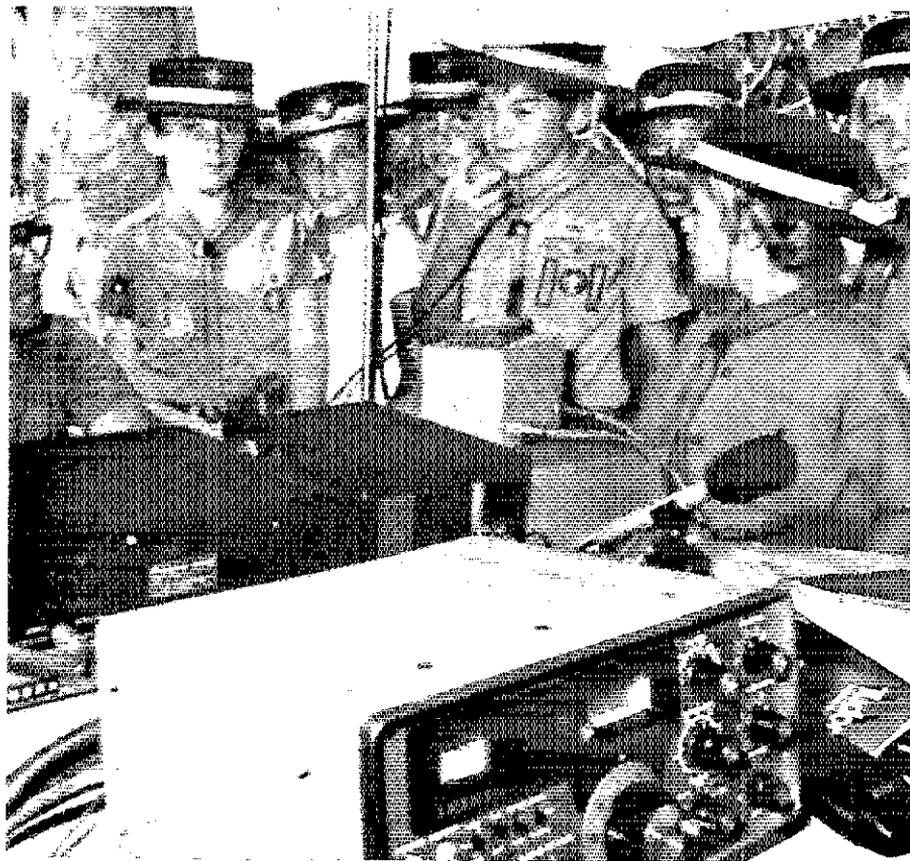
Since worldwide communications and friendship are a major goal of both scouting and ham radio, it's amazing that somebody didn't think of bringing them together a long time ago. It's been 20 years since an English scout and ham, Les Mitchell, came up with the idea that the scouts and amateurs who meet at the annual World Jamboree should get together on the air. The first Jamboree-on-the-Air (JOTA) exceeded everybody's expectations, and it has grown to the point that an estimated 2.5-million scouts and guides took part in last year's event.

This year, JOTA will be held October 15 and 16, local time. It will be 48 hours of fun for everyone who participates. Stations will be on the air the day before and after, so there's no need to be strict with operating times. Frequencies are shown in Table 1; QSOs are encouraged on 2 and 6 meters, as well as OSCAR (the World Scout Bureau hopes to use its new OSCAR station donated by Communications Satellite Corporation). RTTY, SSTV and CB, if available, will also be used for JOTA contacts.

Stations calling "CQ Jamboree" should move off the calling frequencies once contact is established. Look for K2BSA on the air for the entire period; F0AA will be on representing the World Bureau. Send activity reports to W2GND, National Office, Boy Scouts of America, North Brunswick, NJ 08902. Special certificates will be awarded to all participating individuals.

A highlight of the 20th JOTA will be a message to scouts from President Carter to be transmitted by WIAW both days during the regular bulletin schedule (see "Operating News").

*Membership Services Asst., ARRL



VK4OV (left) supervises a group of enthusiastic scouts from Mount Isa, Queensland, Australia, during the 1975 Jamboree-on-the-Air. This photo appeared on the cover of *Amateur Journal*, the journal of the Wireless Institute of Australia.

Conditions this year should be super, and scouts everywhere are looking forward to some meaty contacts. Even last year with less than optimum conditions, activity was very high:

In Australia, Governor-General and Chief Scout, Sir John Kerr, gave VK1BP use of the grounds of the Government

House in Canberra and performed the official JOTA opening ceremony.

On the Cook Islands, the Nikao Scout Troops camped at Aroa received a personal message from New Zealand Governor-General Sir Dennis Blundell. ZK1BS and ZK1BA made many contacts with scout troops in Oceania.

When poor conditions curtailed ragchewing in Denmark, RTTY, SSTV, fox hunting and code practice took over.

The Finnish scout magazine reported, "There's a lot of squeaking and crackling going on; the equipment looks extremely complicated. One could almost say that there is a feeling of a great sports event in the air."

In Hong Kong, scouts had a long ragchew with a JOTA station in Java, and the scouts exchanged songs over the air. (No music on the air in the U.S., please!)

Norway had tremendous activity, despite poor conditions. SSTV contacts were made with Denmark and Switzerland and a portable station was set up in the snow. Nearly 14,000 scouts at the National Jamboree participated in amateur radio, fox hunts, and kit building.

Table 1

JOTA Calling Frequencies (kHz) October 15-16, 1977

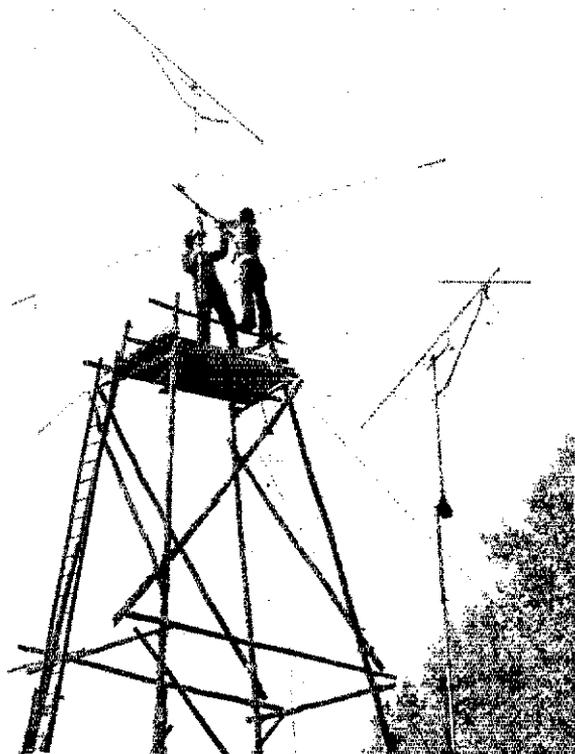
CW	Phone
3,740	3,740
7,090	3,940
7,140	7,240
14,070	14,290
21,140	21,360
28,190	28,990



TV coverage in Portugal included 15 minutes of news time on JOTA. Boy Scouts of America operated three stations from U.S. air bases in the Azores.

Jamboree-on-the-Air provides a tailor-made opportunity for ham radio

publicity. Why not invite the local Scout troop over to your station for the weekend? Contact the local Boy Scouts of America Council listed in your phone book and offer your services. Don't forget to invite the local media as well!



Scouting's annual Jamboree-on-the-Air is fun as well as educational. These participants at PA0TO1/A discover the joys of tower climbing (left), while scouts at DL0WWW, Lampertheim, West Germany, seem to be having a great time (right). Both photos were taken during last year's JOTA. (Photos courtesy of Boy Scouts World Bureau)

Strays

CANADIAN JAMBOREE

□ "Chimo," the Eskimo term for "friends all," was the theme of this year's Canadian Boy Scout Jamboree on Prince Edward Island. Its amateur station, VE1CJC, helped bring this theme to life.

Over 7,000 scouts and scouters visited the station, making more than 1,200 contacts and sending 30 messages to families and friends across the con-

continent. Foxhunts, kit-building, cw familiarization, traffic handling and guest operating were some of the highlights.

The great success of VE1CJC was in part attributable to the enthusiastic support of the Boy Scouts of Canada, the Summerside ARC, Ottawa ARC and the CRRL/ARRL. Special thanks should go to VE1CJC staffers VE1DI, VE3DV, VE3AUM, VE1AOY, VE1AQB, VE1AWY, VE1ABU, CJ1EJ, VE1BKP, VE1BKN and to VE1AIC and crew who set up a comprehensive 2-meter emergency communications net-

work throughout the area. "Chimo" is an apt description of all who participated. — WB1EYI and VE1SH

BOY SCOUT QSL AVAILABLE

□ If you contacted K2BSA/3, the 1977 National Scout Jamboree at Moraine State Park in Pennsylvania, and would like an attractive QSL card, send your QSL with time, date and frequency along with an s.a.s.e. to K2BSA, National Headquarters, Boy Scouts of America, North Brunswick, NJ 08902.

Amateurs Respond to FCC WARC Inquiry

The FCC asked for public comment on its WARC proposals, and got it: from hundreds of hams and, of course, from the ARRL.

By David Sumner,* K1ZZ

Early in the summer (*QST* for July, 1977, page 56), we reported a request of the Federal Communications Commission for public comment on a series of important proposals which affect the very existence of amateur radio. In developing its position for the 1979 World Administrative Radio Conference (WARC) of the International Telecommunication Union, the U.S. government has invited public participation at several points along the way. The ARRL has represented amateur radio in the preparatory process since the very earliest stages, and was joined a couple of years ago by a group of very knowledgeable and dedicated amateurs who, at the invitation of the Commission, formed the FCC Advisory Committee for Amateur Radio (ACAR). The ACAR has held a series of meetings in the Washington area, all open to the public. There has been close cooperation between the League and the ACAR, and amateur radio's cause has been promoted effectively by both.

The Commission's request for public comment referred to above was known officially as the Fifth Notice of Inquiry in Docket 20271. Needless to say, both the League and the ACAR devoted

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considerable energy to preparing extensive, carefully researched responses. As we reported in July, this was an excellent opportunity for individual amateurs and local clubs to add their voices to those of the League and the ACAR. In addition to the *QST* article, we made a special mailing to all League-affiliated clubs and provided extensive WIAW bulletin coverage. A resounding response to the Fifth NOI, we said, could help influence the position the U.S. delegation will carry to Geneva in two years.

How Well Did We Do?

The deadline for comments in response to the Fifth NOI was August 1, which was extended at the last minute to August 15. How did we do? Did individuals and clubs rise to the challenge? Well, while we don't have exact figures at this time, it is clear that hundreds did. Unfortunately, this means that thousands did *not*. Out of an amateur population of 321,153 and an affiliated-club list numbering more than 1700, we know that a substantial number would like to see amateur radio continue to exist beyond 1979. "It's the League's job to represent us in WARC preparations," you say. True enough.

But the League is more than a handful of volunteer officials and paid staffers. Most of the real work of the League is done by volunteers, by people who feel their obligation to amateur radio extends beyond 12 bucks a year. An important responsibility of the professional staff is to motivate the membership to be active and involved, and to provide support and guidance as required. We had hoped to stimulate a somewhat greater level of participation. When and if another major opportunity for public WARC participation comes along, we of the staff will try to fulfill this responsibility more effectively.

Now for the bright side. Most of the comments filed by amateurs were brief but *good*. Many supported the establishing of new amateur bands in the high-frequency range, especially at 10 MHz, and the proposed expansion of the 14-MHz band. There were numerous comments in support of an amateur band at 160-190 kHz, some of which went into considerable detail as to how amateurs could effectively use this spectrum in the public interest. The need for additional amateur satellite allocations between 438 MHz and 24 GHz was mentioned by several. Amateur com-

What About the Fourth Notice?

We have given major *QST* coverage to the Commission's Third and Fifth Notices of Inquiry in Docket 20271. What happened to the Fourth?

The Fourth NOI was released two weeks before the Fifth, and dealt primarily with technical matters not affecting the Amateur Service. However, there was one item of particular interest to us: a proposal to tighten considerably the standards applied to spurious emissions from transmitters. The present standards were first applied to the Amateur Service in the U. S. earlier this year, when the Commission adopted a First Report and Order in Docket 20777 (May *QST*, page 63; June

QST, page 76; August *QST*, page 67). Therefore, the proposal to tighten these standards was of great concern.

The League called this aspect of the Fourth Notice to the attention of the membership of the Amateur Radio Manufacturer's Association, so suitable responses representing the manufacturing viewpoint could be prepared. Some manufacturers who are not members of ARMA also filed comments. For its part, the League submitted extensive opposing arguments. The Commission has not justified its proposed revisions, we said: the economic costs involved far outweigh the benefits. Even if tightening of the specifications were desirable for other services, it would be unnecessary

for the Amateur Service, since interference problems can be better handled on a case-by-case basis by technically qualified amateur operators. The greater need is for *receiver* standards to be applied to broadcast receivers and audio devices which are not even intended to intercept radio transmissions. Experimentation at the higher frequencies would be drastically curtailed. Finally, the proposed time frame for implementation of new standards was hopelessly unrealistic.

Will our opposing arguments convince the Commission that it is on the wrong track? We hope so. More than that, though, the Fourth Notice pointed up the need to read every word of every FCC document relating to WARC. In other words, it justified our vigilance!

ments took a long-term view of the need for spectrum in most cases, especially at uhf and the microwaves.

Long-Term Perspective Needed

A few of the comments were disappointing in one respect: They took a short-term view of amateur needs at hf, and subordinated the need for additional spectrum to the slight modifications of existing equipment which would be needed. This was particularly true with respect to the segments 13.95-14.00 and 20.95-21.00 MHz, which are among those the Commission proposes for expansion of the Amateur Service.

Certainly, bands should not be shifted unnecessarily. The League did not support an earlier Commission proposal to relocate the 15-meter band to 20.700-21.200 MHz, and was able, with the cooperation of the nonamateur Maritime Mobile interests, to prevail upon the FCC to drop the proposed change.

However, the last thing we want to do is to leave the impression that additional spectrum is so unimportant to amateurs that we are unwilling to buy and install a new heterodyne crystal in order to utilize it! The fact that the lower edges of most of the amateur bands are multiples of 1 MHz is of no particular significance, other than historical; with the sole exception of the Standard Frequency Service, the Amateur Service is the *only* service listed in the International Table of Frequency Allocations where the operating frequencies are in this sort of an exact relationship. It might be nice to continue this tradition, but the need for additional spectrum is far too pressing to permit this to stand in the way of expanded amateur allocations. Twenty years from now, when the results of the 1979 WARC are still in effect, the impact on present-day amateur equipment will seem rather unimportant.

The ARRL Filing

In response to the Commission's Fifth Notice of Inquiry in Docket 20271, the League prepared and filed a 44-page document. The basic philosophy of the filing was endorsed by the Board of Directors at its July meeting. Here is a summary of the arguments presented therein. Reference to the July article, and to the ones in February (page 62) and April (page 64) of this year, will help put the comments in context.

Growth of the Amateur Radio Service

Based on the present annual growth rate of radio amateurs in the U.S., about 20 percent, and on the continued success of its training program, the League

now estimates that there will be 440,000 licensed amateurs in the U.S. by the end of 1978, and 500,000 by the opening of the WARC in September, 1979. Worldwide, the same trend is evident. It is likely that the worldwide amateur population will exceed one million by the middle of 1978, two million by 1982, and six million by the end of the century. The growth may be even greater if technical and operating proficiency requirements are reduced in some of the major countries.

Growth in amateur radio can improve its public-interest performance, which is already at a high level. However, sufficient spectrum must be made available to assimilate the hundreds of thousands of additional stations.

Spectrum Between 10 and 4000 kHz

In its Third Notice of Inquiry, the Commission proposed 160-190 kHz for amateurs. There was objection based on possible interference to power line carrier systems used by electric utilities. No technical evidence was offered in support of this view. Subsequent investigation has shown the objection to be unfounded and premature. The Commission now proposes to establish a broadcasting band at 115-190 kHz. The propagation characteristics of the band make it wholly unsuited for local broadcasting such as envisioned by the Commission; no case for regional broadcasting has been made; and there appears to be no demand from potential listeners. Amateurs, on the other hand, could make good use of the band for reliable regional communications and for training and experimentation. (Note: Filings by many individual amateurs made excellent arguments in support of the 160- to 190-kHz amateur allocation.)

The League strongly supports the Commission's proposal for a worldwide exclusive amateur band at 1800-1900 kHz, and a shared band at 1900-2000 kHz. The stated needs of broadcasting and radiolocation in this part of the spectrum do not have a sound technical basis. History shows that amateurs can share successfully with certain other services, without harmful interference to the other parties.

The 3500- to 4000-kHz band continues to support the bulk of regional amateur public service communication. No new services can be introduced in the band without substantial disruption of the emergency communications capability of the Amateur Service.

Spectrum Between 4 and 27.5 MHz

The League has some reservations about the Commission's plan to make 6950-7250 kHz exclusively amateur and 7250-7500 kHz exclusively broadcasting, worldwide. Out-of-band operation by broadcasters is so widespread that

there is little reason to believe they would respect the exclusivity of the amateur allocation. Furthermore, it may not be possible to obtain the necessary spectrum from the Fixed Service. Canadian objections to the plan may be anticipated, because of time station CHU on 7335 kHz; the League's suggestion is to make 7500 kHz a Standard Frequency and relocate CHU there. This would be consistent with the use of the frequency in other parts of the world.

With the exception of maintaining existing allocations of heavily used bands, the addition of a new band at 10 MHz commands the greatest priority for the Amateur Service. To use sound spectrum management practices, i.e. appropriate frequency for the path to be covered, minimum power, etc., a service must have access to bands of frequencies throughout the spectrum. Today, vast gaps exist between the amateur allocations at 7 and 14 MHz, and again at 14 and 21 MHz. On long-distance paths under normal conditions, communication is possible only for short periods on one or two frequency bands. The Commission proposes to establish new broadcasting allocations at 5, 7 and 13 MHz for this very reason; however, the need of the Amateur Service is much more compelling because of the low-power nature of the service and the wide gaps which exist between present bands.

The League believes there is sufficient justification for exclusive amateur allocations of 300 kHz at both 10.1 and 18.3 MHz. The League recognizes the need for an orderly and gradual transition between use of these bands by the Fixed Service and by amateurs. The comments filed by the general public in this proceeding clearly show that there is widespread support, and no domestic opposition, to these new amateur allocations.

The proposed 29 percent expansion at 14 MHz will help reduce overcrowding in this heavily used band. The 14-MHz band is relied upon for intercontinental communication and will continue to be so used even if new allocations at 10 and 18 MHz are forthcoming. Radio amateurs are already voluntarily employing spectrum conservation measures such as single-sideband, directional antennas, etc.; the use of the narrowest emission available, cw, is also widespread. In spite of these measures, the 14-MHz band is extremely congested whenever the frequency is capable of supporting propagation. The expanded allocation will permit amateurs to continue their unique contribution to international goodwill through direct, person-to-person communication.

The Commission's action in restoring the 21-MHz band to its present position,

and in proposing a 50-kHz expansion, is most appreciated. There appears to be no justification for an expansion of the adjacent broadcasting allocation.

If the proposed allocation at 25.76 MHz were to be adopted internationally, there would be no lack of amateur activity in the band. However, other countries are adopting positions in support of an amateur band at 24 MHz. The U.S. position is more likely to be accepted internationally if it agrees wherever possible with the positions adopted by others. To this end, the League requests that consideration be given to shifting the proposed amateur allocation to 24 MHz, and renews the request for a 500-kHz exclusive band here.

Spectrum Between 27.5 and 1215 MHz

No changes in the 28-, 50- and 144-MHz bands are proposed by the Commission. The bands are heavily used for public service communications, propagation research, and (in the case of 28 and 144 MHz) amateur satellite work. In the U.S. alone, registration of two-meter repeaters for listing in the *ARRL 1977-78 Repeater Directory* increased 45 percent in one year, from 1,450 to 2,103. In most metropolitan areas, no frequencies are available for new repeaters in this band.

The two-meter repeater has given amateur radio a powerful new tool for public service use. As these Comments are being prepared, hundreds of volunteer amateur operators are assisting with communications in conjunction with the catastrophic fires now sweeping portions of California. Amateur-constructed repeater stations, installed at no cost to the taxpayer, have been able to provide communications into areas which are unreachable by other means. Less dramatic instances of public service by amateurs occur every day. As the nationwide network of amateur repeater stations develops still further, the value of the Amateur Service to the general public will increase. Amateur investment in equipment for the 144- to 148-MHz band is in excess of \$100 million. This tremendous investment, the cost of which cannot be passed on to the public, must be protected.

The Commission should abandon once and for all the outmoded idea of CB at 220 MHz. Amateurs are turning to 220 MHz in ever-increasing numbers; repeater registrations were up 141 percent last year, and metropolitan areas such as Los Angeles and New York already have run out of available channels. Recent events at 27 MHz have demonstrated the folly of establishing a CB allocation in close proximity to an amateur band. Outside the United States, there is no support whatsoever for a 220-MHz CB band. In some parts

of the world, the spectrum in question is used for television broadcasting; in others, for aeronautical radionavigation and other vital services. If 220-MHz CB gear found its way into the international stream of commerce, as it inevitably would if the U.S. adopted such an allocation domestically, the results would be catastrophic.

The Commission's proposals for 420-450 MHz are strongly supported by the League. The band houses such a variety of amateur operating interests that introduction of new services in the band would be most undesirable.

While the League supports the introduction of a new, high-quality CB service at 900 MHz, inclusion of the Amateur Service in the international Table of Frequency Allocations at 902-928 MHz is supported. Flexibility to provide for future domestic needs is the goal in this international proceeding.

Spectrum Between 1215 MHz and 10.7 GHz

The Commission has proposed to withdraw 1215-1240 MHz from the Amateur Service because of possible incompatibility with a Radionavigation Satellite system planned for this band. The League recognizes the importance of high reliability in any such safety-of-life service. However, an explanation is needed as to why the satellite system can coexist with radiolocation (radar) operations in this band, but not with amateur operations. It appears that some sharing arrangement should be possible, and the Commission is urged to give this further study.

At the present time, the Amateur Satellite Service has no access to spectrum between 438 MHz and 24 GHz. If satellite technology is to play a part in the future of amateur radio, and if amateurs are to make their unique contributions to space communications, access to this spectrum must be provided. The League strongly urges continued support of usable allocations to the Amateur Satellite Service in the 2300-, 3300- and 5650-MHz bands, and reconsideration of the question at 10.475 GHz. The League opposes sharing with the Broadcasting-Satellite Service at 2300 or 3400 MHz.

Spectrum Above 10.7 GHz

The League endorses the proposal for an exclusive amateur and amateur-satellite allocation at 49.8-50.0 GHz and strongly supports the other proposals for amateur occupancy above 10.7 GHz.

Article 41 Revision

While some minor clarification of the language might be desirable, Article 41 (which establishes certain guidelines for amateur licensing and operation; see chapter 9 of the *License Manual*) of the

Radio Regulations is basically sound. Attempts at revision might create more problems than they would solve; arriving at regulations which say the same thing in several languages is no easy task, and there is no guarantee that the intent of minor changes would be preserved in an editorial committee.

The League firmly opposes deletion of the Morse code requirement to operation below 144 MHz. Modern techniques used in teaching the code have eliminated it as a roadblock for any serious student, and it remains an important part of amateur radio. Removing the code requirement would increase the number of amateurs in the high-frequency bands far beyond the capacity of the bands.

If it were practical to modify Article 41 slightly, the League would support clarification of the responsibilities and privileges of amateurs in emergency situations; specific provision for handicapped persons to demonstrate Morse code ability in ways other than receiving by ear and sending by hand; and clarification of the so-called "banned country" procedures. However, the League has no specific wording to offer at this time, and would analyze any proposed wording very carefully.

Sharing

The Amateur Service has an excellent record of cooperative sharing with other services. Unfortunately, the Amateur Service has frequently been the victim of irresponsible operation by other services. For sharing arrangements to work, there must be a mutual and cooperative relationship between the services involved. Without common respect for the requirements of all services, effective use of the spectrum is not possible. The past record of a service is the best indicator of how well it will cooperate with others in the future. The record of the Amateur Service speaks for itself.

What's Next?

The revised deadline for comments was August 15; for comments in reply to those filed by others, September 2. It is hoped that another Notice of Inquiry can be issued in November. This will probably represent the preliminary U.S. position. At this point, nothing is cast in concrete; adjustments will continue to be made. However, the concrete is beginning to harden, and drastic changes become more unlikely as time goes on.

Will amateurs have another chance to comment? We hope so, in response to the next Notice of Inquiry. If so, we hope *you* will take advantage of a significant privilege: participation by an individual citizen in the development of his nation's long-term telecommunications policy.

QSLs

Part 1: How to make them, send them and store them.

Confirming Two-Way QSO of _____ Mode _____
At _____ UTC XMTR _____ RCVR _____
Report _____ Freq. _____ ANT _____

You've passed your test, and waiting for the day's mail has become just about your most enthusiastic occupation. When that license comes, you say, I'll really be in business.

Finally, something comes. It doesn't look like it's from the FCC, but it's sure related to amateur radio. Opening up the envelope, you discover what all new hams — and many old ones — find in their mailboxes sooner or later: a QSL card solicitation.

There are usually five or six designs enclosed, from straight key to tower to American flag. While pondering how commercial organizations know you're a new amateur before you do, you notice that some promise such customized extras as a listing of organizations you belong to, awards won and so on.

There's nothing wrong with them, of course (except that you'd rather have your Novice license than a bunch of sample QSL cards!), but you may just want to show off your ingenuity by rolling your own.

You needn't be an artist to make a truly customized QSL card. Anyone can design a simple yet attractive card that will make your QSL stand out in the crowd. Most hams have outside interests, and it isn't difficult to come up with designs relating to them. Nautical themes, satellites and stamps come to mind as designs that tell your contacts about your avocations or career.

Cards conveying the unique personality of their senders are one of the most effective ways of getting one in return. That becomes important if you're after WAS or WAC (Worked All States or Continents) or other awards.

Geographical variations are always

eye-catchers. One grey-on-black card that came to the ARRL QSL Service from SV-land depicted an attractive drawing which its sender says is the "Greek goddess of (DX) hunters, Artemus, and a companion." Another featured a pair of dice, an exotic dancer and four aces — you're not surprised to see Las Vegas as the QTH. Postcards of your city or town can be used by scraping off part of the glossy portion and substituting your address label. Image-conscious Atlantic City, NJ, recently had a large quantity of QSLs printed on cards showing its skyline — each operator in the city had his or her own QSLs at no cost!

Photos of the operator (or operators) add a nice touch, as do sketches of licensed family members, with a square available to identify the person who actually made the contact.

The ultimate in simplicity, of course, is a rubber stamp, on a 3 X 5 file card.¹ It won't win any beauty prizes, but it sure is an inexpensive way to get your QSLs off and running.

The ARRL QSL Service

Whether you are an avid DXer or only occasionally try to snare a rare country, you'll want to know the best way to exchange QSL cards with foreign stations. For one thing, they're required for most awards, Five-Band DXCC being the juiciest one.

It doesn't take long to figure out that sending each station a QSL and enclosing an International Reply Coupon (IRC) for his postage and a self-

¹ After April 15, 1978, postcards must be at least 3-1/2 X 5 to qualify for the postcard rate.

addressed envelope can be a mighty expensive proposition.

Let's face it — with the number of W, K and N stations, foreign operators often value your particular QSL card somewhat less than you value theirs.

As a membership service, the ARRL Overseas QSL Service will send your cards to foreign stations in most of the countries of the world (see Table 1, page 51, *QST* for October, 1976). All you need do is enclose a current *QST* label, one dollar (check or money order) and your cards, presorted by prefix.

If you're a family member (same family as a member receiving *QST*), just enclose your cards in the same package. An extra dollar is required for each member whose cards are enclosed. Sightless members who do not receive *QST* need only enclose a note to that effect along with the dollar. As with regular members, cards must be sorted alphabetically by prefix.

Finally, associate members may use the ARRL QSL Service to send SWL reports to overseas *amateur* stations. Cards will not be sent to individual QSL managers.

Once a week, cards are mailed from League hq. The only limitation on users of this service is that no more than 12 batches of cards are sent to the ARRL each year.

More than 6,000 members have used this membership service since it began a year ago. Why not do the same?

Now that you've taken care of sending your cards, how can you get them back? Next month's *QST* will feature an article giving the most useful hints on how to ensure a high return of QSLs from foreign stations. — *WA1ZUY*

ANSWERS TO YOUR QUESTIONS ABOUT QSL CARDS

Q. Do I have to use them?

A. You won't find any mention of QSL cards in the rules and regulations governing the Amateur Radio Service. A great majority of operators use them anyway, however. Some do it out of courtesy, others because they want cards from the stations they've contacted. If in doubt, invest a few dollars in a batch of cards and make a habit of using them.

Q. What should they look like?

A. That's for you to decide. There are no hard and fast rules about shape and size, although the 5-1/2 X 3-1/2 card is standard. The smallest card that can be sent for nine cents is one that measures 3 X 4-1/4 inches. It can be no larger than 4-1/4 X 6 inches, however. After April 15, 1978, the minimum acceptable size will be 3-1/2 X 5.

Many commercial printing firms specialize in QSLs. Their addresses can be found in the Ham-Ads section of any *QST*. Many operators prefer to stamp their individuality on their cards by making their own (see related stories).

Q. What should go on them?

A. If a card is to be used to confirm a QSO for an award (many of them do), it must contain the following information: the fact that it confirms a two-way contact, the other station's call, signal report, frequency band used, mode, date and time (in UTC, Coordinated Universal Time). The station owner's name, address and call should also appear.

Q. How do I send cards to foreign countries?

A. If you're an ARRL member, by all means take advantage of the ARRL Membership Overseas QSL Service (see related story). It's a simple (and inexpensive) way to get your cards to the stations you've worked around the world.

Q. How do I get cards back from the stations I work?

A. That's a question many operators have been asking for years. Sometimes you just can't. But even though you can't expect to get a 100-percent return, you will get cards from a good percentage of overseas contacts if you tell them you'd like them to "QSL via buro," or bureau. Each U.S. and Canadian call district has a separate bureau that handles incoming cards from around the world. Yours is listed in every other month's *QST*. Tips on ensuring a high return on DX QSLs will be covered in Part 2 in next month's *QST*.

Q. What's a QSL Manager?

A. Simply a person who has agreed to manage QSLs for a DX station or stations. If a DX operator asks you to QSL via his manager, he'll provide the call sign.

Q. What do I do with the cards I receive?

A. Again, that's entirely up to you. Lots of DXers put their most prized cards on the wall, where everyone is sure to see them. You'll soon run out of wall space if you're on the air fairly regularly. How about a DXCC album? Or a Five-Band WAS album, with five cards to a page? Then of course, there's the shoebox. After this is overloaded, try putting them in a file cabinet (used ones are reasonably priced at used furniture stores). Separate them with file separators by continent, country and call sign.

Q. What's an IRC?

A. A coupon (International Reply Coupon to be exact) which the bearer can exchange for first-class overseas postage in his or her country. It is a must when QSLing directly and asking for a card in return. Your DX contact won't have any use for your postage — only IRCs. They are available at all post offices for 42 cents.

How to Roll Your Own



Coming up with original QSL designs is easy when using the linoleum block method. Materials you'll need are available at all art stores.

A quick and easy way to generate some original QSLs is by linoleum-block printing. What'll you need? A small piece of linoleum, tools to carve it to your specifications, some ink, solvent, tracing paper, a roller, a spoon, cardboard, some fixative — and a creative mind. All but the latter are available, reasonably, at all art stores. You'll get good results by designing a linoleum block that will fit on a standard postcard, using one side for the design and one for the address.

If you've been convinced to take the plunge into homemade QSLs, here are two tried and proven ways of going about it — with linoleum and with a copier.

Start by sketching a preliminary design on an area of a sheet of paper the same size as the postcard. Next, use a charcoal pencil to draw the actual design on a piece of tracing paper. Try to avoid making small, thin letters; they'll be hard to cut around later.

Next, flip it onto the linoleum and retrace your design onto it. You should have a good representation of your design — reversed, of course. Next, fill in the letters and lines with the charcoal pencil and spray the design with fixative.

Cut out the area that won't be printed — everything except a border, if you want one, and the letters and lines

MAKE YOURS A GRABBER

Do you ever spend a quiet hour thumbing through the QSLs; not necessarily the raries but random QSLs from all over?

Do they grab you — or do you see them as slips of cardboard whose QSO info is simply a means to your particular end: DX, awards and so on? A verification, by virtue of its designation, contains the basic data to establish beyond doubt a two-way QSO. In this respect, all cards are the same. But there the common denominator usually ends, or should if possible.

Not every ham makes a thing of the QSL card. Some verify a QSO only as an obligation. They may choose the cheapest and most impersonal way to do it. Others simply buy stock cards of little or no individuality. This may be deliberate or due to lack of imagination or communicative talent in the literary sense.

It must be remembered there are two parts to each QSL — the technical and the personal. There are those few electronic purists who have no interest in the latter. To them, only the gear matters. However, the bulk of hams view QSLing as a vital part of amateur radio and most endeavor to stamp their individuality on their cards. They succeed or fail in a variety of ways.

Any person who daily reads correspondence from strangers soon picks the writer's character traits by what is said or left unsaid. The same applies to QSL cards. Those of artistic temperament may try color to produce something eye-catching. Others exhibit their creative instinct by including a sketch, a drawing or even a mug-shot photo. Those who see

hamdom through the eye of a comic go for something likely to raise a laugh and so on.

Some come up with a nice design but lay it on a card little thicker than newsprint. This is hard to understand. Are they trying to save on bulk postage and printing costs? Anyway, such a card is prematurely doomed to the wastebasket because it suffers with every handling and is soon a tattered rag. At the other end of the same scale is the card so thick and rigid, it simply breaks or cracks. A few extra dollars spent on superior quality stock is but one of the soundest investments in amateur radio.

You'll also strike that odd piece of wallpaper on which the owner seems frightened should anyone read his call. After turning it over two or three times, you discover it in 10-point typeset, or less.

Then there's the type whose measure of success lies in the physical size — the megalomaniac. His card has to be twice as gaudy and big. If it's posted via the bureau it has to be folded in half, won't fit in the filing or on the wall and throws all the others out of symmetry. You are tempted to write back, politely requesting a frame to match.

Telling Individuality

There are those ultramodest and introverted characters who see any listed achievement as a form of bragging. Meanwhile, others include every certificate and award ever earned, right down to the last detail. A balance needs to be struck here. If you want to let the other fellow know what you're about, list your achievements — but briefly.

Even more stimulating than the rare card is one that comes through to your vibes, big

and strong. You may not even be sure what, but the sender has told you something of himself — and there's instant empathy. This is the QSL that stays in memory.

Shacks are coming in from the cold. Rigs are now less likely to be found in an outhouse or garage. Gone is the maze of wires surrounding them. They are now acceptable, indoors; many even have aesthetic appeal.

Likewise, QSLs seem to be slowly disappearing off walls, from bootboxes and into filing cabinets. Again, aesthetics may have something to do with it but there are other sound reasons. Many QSLs are irreplaceable. Used as wallpaper, they tend to fade, deteriorate and in some cases become insect marked. Also, only one side can be read. Even so, their removal could be a retrograde step for the ham image. A shack wall with no QSLs up, is like a travel agency sans posters, or a pub with no beer; the very essence is missing.

This writer, after filing all cards away, is now planning to restore some to a section of the shack, purely as visual impact value for the lay visitor.

If your stock of present QSLs is dwindling, don't wait until you're right out and then hastily order more. A little thought now toward producing a more personal, intimate, attractive card is time well spent. Accentuate every positive aspect you can and list any other interest and hobby you wish to share. If you come up with something that prompts the recipient to write and say "I see by your QSL you . . ." you've got through. Like an intimate letter, a QSL, in similar vein, is the best investment in human relations. There's no better way of making friends — eyeballs excepted. — *Alan Shawsmith, VK4SS*

you want to show. Use an X-acto knife for the straight edges and a gouger for the other parts. It must be at least one-eighth inch deep.

You're almost ready to print. Roll out some ink on the cardboard, and pick up an even coat onto the roller. Using firm but not-too-firm pressure, coat the piece of linoleum block evenly and thoroughly. Lay your block, carved side up, on a piece of newspaper and press the card on it, straight down. Holding it firmly, rub the back part of the spoon over the card. Wait five seconds and pull the card straight up. There you have it — your original QSL card.

A couple of hints: Use an oil-base ink, such as Speedball. To make a two-color card, you'll need two blocks and two colors of ink. Carve your call on one block and other information on the second. If you make the cards 100 at a time and save the linoleum block, you'll have an indefinite supply — all you'll need is more ink and you can sit down and make another batch when the first runs out. — *Paul De Athos, WB9WZQ*

With a Copier

Have access to a copy machine? Here's another way to roll your own — with the help of an offset print shop. You'll also need such common house-

hold items as scissors, rubber cement, lightweight cardboard and some old newspapers, magazines and brochures.

Use Your Imagination

Card themes are limited only by your imagination. Advertisements and graphics in publications are a rich source of material for making QSL cards. Your hobbies or other interests as well as the station equipment can be displayed pictorially. These can be found in the suppliers' catalogs. You may wish to highlight your home area or make a card in a humorous vein with cartoon characters.

If you happen to have a little talent in drawing (or have a cooperative friend who does), you can have a lot of fun designing your card without using cut-outs.

Lettering for your call should be no problem. Many sizes and typefaces are available from the publications that you just used for graphics. Also, dry-transfer press-on lettering may be used. It comes in assorted sizes and styles from plain block to Old English. Stationery stores usually carry them in mini-editions at reasonable prices. Preprinted return address labels are handy to use for your name and address.

After deciding on the theme, making the master is simple. Cut a piece of paper or thin cardboard to the card size

you desire — usually 3-1/2 × 5-1/2 inches for a "standard" size card. Arrange the cutouts and lettering until you arrive at the desired effect. Next, tack them in place with rubber cement, paying careful attention to the edges to avoid shadows. Any excess will easily rub off. Now you have the master and several options at this point. Most copy machines produce business-size sheets — 8-1/2 × 11 inches, so one sheet can accommodate more than one design. You could make additional masters from the original design and fill up the master sheet that way, or you could make different originals for different situations.

If each design is to be 3-1/2 × 5-1/2 inches, either three or four can be put on one sheet. With three of the designs having their long side parallel to the sheet's short side, all stacked together, a 3- × 11-inch strip is left over. This can be subdivided three ways for a report form on the back of each card. By including the report form with the front design and turning each one's long side parallel with the sheet's long side, four can be placed together.

After the copies are made, it is a simple matter to affix them to cardboard backing with rubber cement or paste. If necessary, trim the edges. You've created your own QSL cards! — *Willard A. Brownlee, W2HMX*

Coming Conventions

October 7-9
Midwest Division, Wichita, KS
October 7-9
Southwestern Division, Santa Maria, CA
October 8-9*
West Gulf Division, Austin, TX
October 15-16
Pacific Division, San Mateo, CA
November 19-20
South Florida Section, Clearwater, FL

*Date Change

PACIFIC DIVISION CONVENTION

October 15-16, 1977, San Mateo, California

The Greater Bay Area Hamfest and Pacific Division ARRL Convention will be held October 15th and 16th at the Royal Coach Motor Hotel in San Mateo, only 20 minutes

from San Francisco, with the theme of "Keep Amateur Radio Strong." Registration begins Saturday at 8 A.M. Technical sessions will begin at 9 A.M. The exhibit hall will be open from 9 to 5:30 with many of the nationally known manufacturers and dealers showing their latest products.

In keeping with the theme, Armond Noble, W6AJY; Lenore Jensen, W6NAZ and other prominent hams will report on issues and propose specific directions that the Pacific Division should steer in the coming year to strengthen the position of amateur radio. Participants from ARRL hq. will be Ellen White, W1YL, deputy communications manager; Lew McCoy, W1ICP, assistant technical editor; Harry J. Dannals, W2HD, president; Robert M. Booth, Jr., W3PS, general counsel; Jean "Doc" Gmelin, W6ZRJ, Pacific Division director and W. W. Eitel, WA7LRU, vice director.

The technical sessions will feature many outstanding professionals in the industry. Special presentations will be made on microprocessors, digital electronics, antennas (hf and vhf), RFI/TVI, vhf clinic, satellite communications, ATV/SSTV and the N6V Mars landing pictures. A separate demonstration room will feature specialized communications equipment for open continuous discussion with the equipment designers.

Saturday evening there will be two general-interest programs for family entertainment. "Behind the Scenes at the Olympics" will be presented by ABC, followed by a slide presentation by Iris & Lloyd Colvin, W6QL and W6KG, entitled "Worldwide Amateur Radio." Also featured will be swap tables, ARES/NTS, MARS, DX and

contest operating techniques and ARRL forum.

Package for all programs and banquet on Sunday is \$14 prior to October 7th or \$16 at the door. Send checks to the Greater Bay Area Hamfest, P. O. Box 751, San Mateo, CA 94401.

SOUTH FLORIDA SECTION CONVENTION

November 19-20, 1977, Clearwater, Florida

The Sheraton Sand Key Hotel at Clearwater Beach is once again the site of the Florida Gulf Coast Convention on the Gulf of Mexico. Complete family entertainment is the order of the day, with nearby attractions, hotel facilities on the beach, and a wide range of activities and demonstrations for the ladies. Again, the most comprehensive technical sessions in the Southeast will be scheduled throughout both days. National exhibitors, flea market, and special forums by ARRL, QCWA, AWA, SMIRK, 10-10 Club, MARS, etc., with FCC Chief Engineer Ray Spence, chairing the FCC forums are also featured.

FCC exams will be given on Saturday at the hotel. Reservations are required via FCC Zak St., Tampa, FL 33602, with a completed form 610.

A gala banquet on Saturday evening with IARU President Noel Eaton, VE3CI, highlights the convention.

Ticket info: \$3 single, \$5 family, plus 2 bonus tickets for advance registration. \$9 banquet. Contact FGCARC Convention, P. O. Box 157, Clearwater, FL 33517.

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Hamfest Calendar

Indiana: The Radio and Electronics Swap n' Shop, sponsored by the Marshall County Amateur Radio Club is Sunday, October 30, at the Plymouth National Guard Armory located at 1220 West Madison St. from 8 A.M. to 5 P.M. Free tables, no charge for setup. Tickets are \$2. Food and drink. Talk-in on 07/67 and 146.52 MHz. Write to Wayne Zehner, WA9INN, Rte. 3, Box 526, Plymouth, IN 46563.

Maryland: The Foundation for Amateur Radio's annual hamfest is at Gaithersburg on Sunday, October 23. Large flea market, food service, exhibits, ladies events and supervised children's program. Main events are indoors; rain or shine. Picnic grounds and free parking available; participation fee is \$2; flea market sales spaces are \$5 each on first-come basis; commercial exhibitors \$10 each with pre-registration required prior to October 20. Nearby motel rooms are available. For info write or call Hugh Turnbull, W3ABC, 6903 Rhode Island Ave., College Park, MD 20740, 301-927-1797.

Massachusetts: The Sharon Amateur Radio Association's annual auction is Sunday, October 23, at 2 P.M. Free refreshments. Club takes 15-percent selling commission. Location is Sharon Community Center, Massapoag Ave., Sharon. Talk-in on 04/64 and 146.52 MHz. Doors open at noon. For further info write or call SARA, 15 Gorwin Dr., Sharon, MA 02067, 617-784-3886.

Michigan: The Repeater Association of Downriver Amateur Radio (R.A.D.A.R.) Hamfest is October 16, at Kennedy High School, located in Taylor (Northline Rd. east of Telegraph, U.S. 24). Talk-in is on 52/52, 34/94, 93/33. Admission \$2; YLs free; reserved tables \$1; 9 A.M.-3 P.M. For further info write R.A.D.A.R., Inc., P. O. Box 1023, Southgate, MI 48195.

Mississippi: Gulf Coast Ham/Swap Fest is Sunday, October 23, 9 A.M.-5 P.M. It's at the International Plaza located near the west end of the Biloxi-Ocean Springs Bridge on Hwy. 90, in Biloxi. Tickets \$1 donation, tables \$2. Talk-in on 13/73 and 146.52 MHz. For info, advance tickets and table reservations contact Irvin Kelly, K5YIN, 116 Wiltshire Blvd., Biloxi, MS 39531, 601-374-3340.

New York: Hamfest and Giant Swap n' Shop, Sunday, October 16, at the Islip Speedway, Islip. Sponsored by LIMARC, the Long Island Mobile Amateur Radio Club. 9:30 A.M.-4 P.M., general admission \$1.50 (wives, children and sweethearts free), exhibitors and swappers \$2.50 per car space. Featuring: amateur radio, CB, computers, ATV, satellites, ARRL info, theory contest, LIMARC tune-up clinic, and awards. Located on Rte.

111, Islip Ave., one block south of Exit 43 of the Southern State Parkway. Trucks, campers and trailers use Long Island Expressway Exit 56, Rte. 111, south to the Speedway. For info write or call Hank Wener, WB2ALW, days 212-355-0606, nights 516-484-4322.

Ohio: The Marion Amateur Radio Club's annual Heart of Ohio Ham Fiesta is Sunday, October 23, at the National Guard Armory from 8 A.M. to 5 P.M. Free parking. Admission \$1 advance, \$2 at gate. Tables must be reserved, \$3 each. Refreshments available. Write to Earl Adey, WB8EDO, 2697 Current Dr., Marion, OH 43302.

Pennsylvania: The Mid-Atlantic States VHF Conference is October 1 and Hamarama is October 2. This two-day event, sponsored by the Mt. Airy VHF Radio Club, the Pack Rats, is informative and fun-filled. The Saturday session is from 9 A.M.-5 P.M. at the Treadway Inn on Easton Rd. (Rte. 611) Willow Grove. An all-day program moderated by well-known vhfers is of much interest. Hamarama, the following day with its flea market and other hamfest activities, should top off the weekend in fine style. Contact: Ron Whitsel, WA3AXV, at 215-355-5730 for info.

Tennessee: The Music City hamfest is on October 15, 16 at Opryland USA in Nashville. Banquet is Saturday evening; flea market will open each day at 10 A.M. A reduction in Opryland tickets has been arranged for participants. For motels and campgrounds -- make reservations early. For further info contact George Dowd, W4CYL, 2829 Blue Brick Drive, Nashville, TN 37214, phone 615-889-9067.

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Another RFI Bill

Congressional attention toward the problem of radio frequency interception by home-entertainment devices seems to be intensifying this year. Last month in this space, we reminded readers about the Goldwater Bill S-864; reported on the Benjamin Bill, HB-8079, with a text identical to S-864; and, on the "League Lines" page, briefly mentioned the new Vanik Bill, HR-8496. Here is the text:

A bill to amend section 302 of the Communications Act of 1934 to authorize the Federal Communications Commission to prescribe regulations establishing minimum standards with respect to certain electronic equipment that is susceptible to radio frequency energy interference.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) section 302 of the Communications Act of 1934 (82 Stat. 290; 47 U.S.C. 302a) is amended as follows:

1) Subsection (a) of such section is amended -

A) by inserting "(1)" immediately after "governing" in the first sentence;

B) by striking out the period at the end of the first sentence and inserting in lieu thereof ", and (2) establishing minimum standards for the reduction of interference from radio frequency energy to audio and visual electronic equipment."; and

C) by striking out "shipment, or use of such devices" in the second sentence and inserting in lieu thereof "or shipment of such devices and electronic equipment or the use of such devices."

2) Subsection (b) of such section is amended by striking out "ship, or use devices" and inserting in lieu thereof "or ship devices and electronic equipment or use devices."

3) Subsection (c) of such section is amended -

A) by inserting "or electronic equipment" immediately after "devices" wherever such term appears in the first sentence;

B) by inserting "and electronic equipment" immediately after "Devices" in the second sentence; and

C) by striking out "the common objective of reducing interference to radio reception," in the second sentence and inserting in lieu thereof "the objectives of reducing interference to radio reception and to electronic equipment,".

(b) The heading for section 302 of such Act is amended to read as follows:

"Interference with Radio Communications and Electronic Equipment"

SEC. 2. Any minimum standard established by the Federal Communications Commission under section 302(a) (2) of the Communications Act of 1934, as added by the first section of this Act, shall not apply to any audio or visual electronic equipment

manufactured before the date of the enactment of this Act.

Rep. Vanik's Remarks

Not only did Congressman Vanik introduce a good bill, but he explained clearly the radio-frequency interception problem in layman's terms, in remarks printed in the *Congressional Record* July 22, 1977. Extracts of these remarks appear here; the full text is being added to ARRL's RFI Kit.

Legislation to Reduce Radio Frequency Interference

Mr Vanik. Mr. Speaker, today I am introducing important consumer legislation that will eliminate up to 90 percent of the interference problems that radio and television users experience. This bill is an improved version of a bill I introduced in the 94th Congress (H.R. 7052).

"Radio frequency interference is generated by a wide variety of electronic devices, including microwave ovens, automatic garage openers, and medical and hospital equipment. The most frequent complaints come from people who live near amateur and citizen band radio operators. The great growth of CB radios, in particular, has contributed to the increase in complaints that the FCC has been receiving. The FCC expects to receive 200,000 RFI complaints in the next fiscal year. This is five times the number received by the FCC in fiscal year 1974.

"Even if the FCC had the manpower to deal individually with these complaints, it does not have the jurisdiction to correct 80 to 90 percent of the problems. In most cases, the broadcasting unit, such as the CB radio, is operating within its assigned frequency, in accordance with FCC regulations. It is the receiving unit, the television or radio being interfered with, that is at fault in most incidences of RFI.

"It would seem only natural that a new television set or other electronic device should work properly. In fact, however, televisions and radios have not been made well enough in the past to block out unwanted signals from other broadcasting sources. The receiving unit indiscriminately picks up radio signals that are in the atmosphere in addition to the desired signal. As a result, the TV or radio tries to broadcast more than one signal at a time, causing interference to the desired program. As electronic equipment has begun to use less shielding and more solid-state circuitry, the equipment has become increasingly susceptible to picking up and broadcasting unwanted signals.

"The legislation I am introducing today would permit a wide variety of solutions to the RFI problem. Briefly, this bill would authorize the FCC to establish reasonable standards for the rejection of RFI in televisions, radios, and other audio and visual electronic equipment. Unlike my legislation in the last Congress, this bill would permit the manufacturers to develop their own solutions to reject interference from unwanted radio

frequency energy. This minimum rejection standard would meet industry's objection that the FCC should not be dictating how equipment is manufactured. The electronics industry would be free to develop its own technical solutions to blocking out RFI.

"The electronics industry has been very reluctant to try to correct the RFI problem itself. In a survey that I conducted last year of the major manufacturers of televisions, some manufacturers stated that they have incorporated a device that only minimally rejects RFI in the design of their sets. Those whose equipment already rejects RFI would not be affected by my legislation. Others, however, said that they only respond to individual customer complaints. However, due to the confusion over what causes the RFI problem, the average customer is more likely to blame his broadcasting neighbor than to write the manufacturers of his set. Other nations appear more responsive to the RFI problem. Grundig, a major television manufacturer in Germany, has already manufactured an interference-free television set that is cost-competitive. Given the increasing RFI problem in this country, there is little reason for further delay by U.S. manufacturers. The FCC has the technical expertise to set the rejection standards, and the manufacturers have the ability to meet them. The consumer simply is not capable of evaluating and correcting the problem on a technical level.

"In view of the growing and serious problem of radio frequency interference, I hope that this legislation can be seriously considered by the Congress. As this Nation grows more and more dependent on electronic media as primary means of communication, it is imperative that we work to insure that these media operate free from mechanical and electronic interference."

FEDERAL PREEMPTION

Increasingly, local governments, frustrated by the seeming lack of attention to the growing RFI problem (see the lead story, above, for another facet of this) have taken steps toward regulation of the problem on their own. Many of these actions, if they are allowed to stand, would infringe on regulation of radio by FCC. A recent bulletin from the FCC is helpful in clarifying the situation. Extracts follow. The text will be available from ARRL hq., and has been made part of the Legal Kit which is available to members who encounter local legal problems with their antennas or operations.

As early as 1912, Congress recognized that communications by means of radio energy was inherently interstate in nature, was a form of commerce, and was uniquely adaptable to uniform regulation by the federal government. The Radio Act of 1927, increased the federal government's authority to regulate this area, and with the passage of the Communications Act of 1934, the trend towards comprehensive federal regulation of interstate and foreign communication by wire and radio was substantially completed.

*Manager, Membership Services. ARRL

The Communications Act of 1934, provided for the establishment of the Federal Communications Commission to execute and enforce the provisions of the Act. The goals sought to be attained by adoption of the Act are clearly stated in Section 1:

For the purpose of regulating interstate and foreign commerce in communication by wire and radio so as to make available, so far as possible, to all people of the United States a rapid, efficient, nationwide, and worldwide wire and radio communication service . . . and for the purpose of securing a more effective execution of this policy by centralizing authority hereto granted by law to several agencies and by granting additional authority with respect to interstate and foreign commerce in wire and radio communication . . . 47 U.S.C. § 151.

Additionally, Section 301 of the Act claims complete jurisdiction over radio energy for the federal government, Section 301 states:

It is the purpose of this Act, among other things, to maintain the control of the United States over all the channels of interstate and foreign radio transmission; and to provide for the use of such channels . . . under licenses granted by Federal authority . . . No person shall use or operate any apparatus for the transmission of energy or communications or signals by radio . . . except under and in accordance with this Act and with a license in that behalf granted under provisions of this Act, 47 U.S.C. § 301.

Furthermore, Congress granted the Commission the authority to establish a pervasive system of regulation in the various radio services. Section 303 of the Act gives such numerous powers to the Commission as to leave no doubt as to the extent of this regulatory scheme. These and other sections of the Communications Act indicate the clear intention of Congress that radio be regulated by the federal government.

Under the Supremacy Clause of the United States Constitution, state and local statutes may be preempted: (1) when a local law conflicts with a law enacted by Congress, or (2) when Congress has adopted pervasive legislation in a particular field with the intent that regulation in the area will be conducted exclusively by the federal government. Additionally, local ordinances which unreasonably burden interstate commerce may be invalidated under the authority granted to the federal government by the Commerce Clause of the United States Constitution.

The problem of federal-state conflicts in radio communication is not a new one. In 1929, the Federal Radio Commission issued a report entitled "State and Municipal Regulation of Radio Communication." In the forward to that early publication, the General Counsel of the Federal Radio Commission made the following observation:

Transmission of intelligence by radio is interstate commerce, and public interest requires Congressional action to administer and conserve the ether for the maximum benefit of the people of the United States. The Radio Act of 1927, as amended, represents the latest Federal statement of the subject. Meanwhile, in recognition of local interests, state legislatures and lesser bodies have framed laws imposing a measure of control on radio transmission and reception, and on the use of apparatus causing interference. Some of these measures are legitimate and useful, falling well

within the scope of the police power. Some are clearly unconstitutional, since they interfere with Federal regulation. . . .

Generally, it may be said that in matters involving purely local concerns, courts have found that reasonable local statutes may stand absent a clear conflict with the Act. For instance, local zoning ordinances limiting antenna heights, regulations on professional advertising practices, and the right of local courts to adjudicate property rights involving licensee facilities have all been upheld. On the other hand, where local law conflicts with the Commission's regulatory scheme for radio services, the federal law will prevail. For example, state laws involving the censorship of material carried on broadcast stations and those requiring Commission licensees to refrain from activities required by the Communications Act have been struck down. . . .

CODE-SENDING TEST ELIMINATED

The sending test in international Morse code has been eliminated from those amateur license examinations which are administered by FCC, effective August 18, 1977.

In its public notice, the Commission said, in part:

"It is a generally accepted fact that persons who communicate by Morse code build their sending ability at a faster rate than they are able to receive. This is confirmed by the FCC's own experience through the years that virtually everyone who passes the code receiving test is able to pass the sending test. For instance, during May 1977, 3201 applicants passed the FCC receiving test. Only 25 of those (less than one percent) were unable to pass the sending test. Thus, the Commission believes that the applicant who has demonstrated his ability to receive code possesses the ability to send code and little is gained by requiring a separate sending test.

"There has been a five-fold increase in amateur examinations during the past three years and this new examination procedure is intended to help meet these new workload demands on the field examination staff."

The sending test continues to be part of the requirement for Novice examinations administered by volunteers.

DISPUTED LICENSE RENEWED

In the Broadcast Services, whenever an application is made for renewal, a public notice is issued by FCC. Any parties who think the station has been doing an inadequate job may file a "Petition to Deny," and present reasons why the license should not be renewed.

There is no such formal process connected with amateur radio. Nevertheless, a recent Commission news release reports that FCC received several letters over the past year or two petitioning the Commission to hold a hearing and deny the application of Richard G. Boston, K6AU, for renewal of his amateur station and Extra Class operator licenses. Many of the petitioners cite the case of the late Myron Henry Premus, W2OY, wherein a hearing was held on an application for renewal. The Commission's rules do provide for informal consideration of any matter not governed by formal procedures: the FCC accepted the complaints against Boston under that provision, as "informal requests."

The amateurs filing the complaints against

K6AU were officers, members or participants of an amateur radio net, the West Coast Amateur Radio Service (WCARS, or "WestCARS"). WestCARS operates "all day, every day" on 7255 kHz, functioning as a meeting place where an amateur in the Western states knows he can raise someone when the need arises.

The complaints alleged that Boston had frequently and deliberately interfered with the operation of the net, in contravention of Section 97.125 of the rules and, in so doing, has used language violative of Section 97.119. The allegations were based on asserted familiarity with Boston's voice, the characteristics of his radio signal and the interferer's use of the call sign K6AU.

In the Premus case, FCC conducted its own investigation following a similar complaint. In the present case, the Commission has also conducted an investigation (which included di equipment) to determine the circumstances which gave rise to the complaints and whether there exists sufficient evidence to warrant a hearing. The Commission was able to confirm the complaints during the W2OY investigation but was not able to do so in the present case. In light of this, and in light of the misleading use of tape recordings and false call signs which it uncovered, the Commission could not find that there was sufficient evidence of misconduct to warrant a hearing on the application. Thus, the licenses of Richard G. Boston, K6AU, were renewed for full five-year terms.

WARNING ON INTERFERENCE

Though the Commission did not find "fire" in its examination of the WestCARS complaints, it did find "smoke" enough to issue a strong warning that malicious interference would not be tolerated by FCC. The text follows:

The FCC warned today it would crack down on willful or malicious interference in the operation of Amateur Radio Service "monitoring service" networks.

Monitoring service nets function as a meeting place or calling channel for amateur radio contacts. Because they operate day in and day out, they provide ready sources of aid in the event of emergencies.

The FCC's Safety and Special Radio Services Legal, Advisory and Enforcement Division said that while these nets would appear to provide a beneficial, voluntary service, their operations had not been fully accepted by the amateur community.

Opposition to the nets stems chiefly from the fact that they use a particular frequency for extended periods, the Division said, adding that this antagonizes many amateurs who feel the nets have unjustly appropriated frequencies and have sought to exercise proprietary control over them.

The Division reported that in some regions of the country, especially on the West Coast the differing sentiments on this issue had led to feuds in the amateur community.

The principal tactic, it said, has been willful or malicious interference, including unidentified heckling, catcalls and comments as well as a variety of mechanical and electronic noises. Other forms of interference include operation on or too near a frequency already in use, and pretended inability to hear a conversation in progress.

The Division pointed out that willful or malicious interference was prohibited by Sec-

tion 97.125 of the Commission's Rules, and warned that continued violations would be met with vigorous action to identify the violators, revoke their radio licenses and suspend their operating privileges.

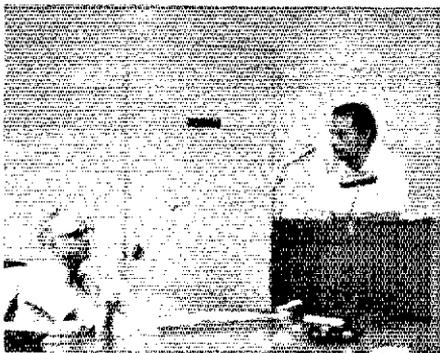
The amateur rules neither authorize nor prohibit monitoring service nets, the Division said. But if such nets are to continue to function, it added, an understanding must be reached among all amateurs similar to those reached in other cases where structured spectrum management was desirable.

To that end, the Division urged amateurs to consider the benefits the monitoring service nets provided. At the same time, it recommended the nets avoid abuses in their operations that might tend to antagonize their fellow amateurs.

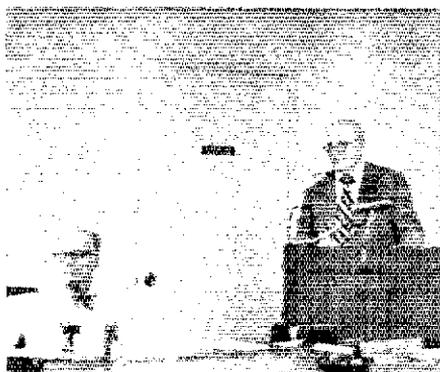
If such an understanding cannot be reached, the Division declared, the Commission must consider imposing additional regulations to bring about order.

FCC MEDIA WORKSHOP

An innovative Media Workshop was convened by FCC's Personal Radio Division for the amateur radio magazines and other interested parties on July 12, 1977. About 50 people attended — magazine representatives, amateurs who work for manufacturers of ham radio equipment, and FCC staff being the most numerous. ARRL and *QST* were represented by First Vice President Clark; General Counsel Booth and Demi Pulas, WB4BTF, of his staff; Atlantic Director McConaghy and Assistant General Manager Sumner.



FCC Chief Engineer Ray Spence, W4QAW, discussed type approval and related subjects, Dockets 21116 and 21117.



John Johnston, W3BE, chaired the Personal Radio Division Media Workshop at FCC in July.

PRD Chief John Johnston, W3BE, chairman of the meeting, first charted the course of the session as an information exchange, with participants there to discuss or inform, not to advise or recommend; no one would be under obligation as a result of the meeting.

Of the 31 "temporary" personnel at Gettysburg whose jobs were thought in danger earlier ("A Domestic Crisis Looms," July *QST*) 23 had been made permanent, and seven replacements were being recruited for those who had left.

There was a wide-ranging discussion involving FCC Chief Engineer Ray Spence, W4QAW, concerning Dockets 21116 and 21117, the banning of external amplifiers and type-acceptance rules for amateur equipment. Peter Drake, of R. L. Drake, countered with a strong case for point-of-safe control as having the better chance for solving a problem which involves marketing rather than engineering. The Class E CB proposal was also discussed, focusing heavily on 900-MHz frequencies.

Greg Jones of FCC outlined the rulemaking process (See "Regulations Revisited," March 1977 *QST*) and called for more response by ordinary amateurs to petitions for rulemaking and Notices of Proposed Rulemaking. The media's difficulty with 30-day limits was noted, and the recommendation was made to the Commission that 90 days be provided for comment wherever possible, since most amateurs receive information on FCC matters from monthly magazines.

Joe Johnson of FCC discussed interconnection of radios with telephones. Mention was made of abuses of amateur phone patching, especially concerning the use of auto-patches on vhf for business purposes. Common sense was offered as the best guide, but the fraternity was warned that if irresponsible amateurs keep pushing the limits, we all could lose much of our rights to use patches. Enforcement of amateur rules also came up for discussion and it was reported that about 1800 citations were issued last year, 1700 related to use of unauthorized subband privileges. Only 1578 complaints and 32 station inspections involved amateurs, as compared with 49,722 complaints and 3500 station inspections in the citizens band. The Field Engineering Bureau, in discussing enforcement, pointed out that they only have about 480 staffers, the same number as in 1948! Another interesting statistic: Field-supervised amateur exams, which averaged 20,000 per year for the first seven years of the decade, are expected to hit 75,000 in 1977!

All concerned agreed the meeting was a grand idea; there will probably be some more like it, perhaps on a quarterly basis.

BEHIND THE DIAMOND

It has been said that people who originate from America's heartland, the Midwest, are among the friendliest and most outgoing of all Americans. Certainly it is true with this month's subject.

Rosalie Cain came to Newington in 1973 from the little town of Greensburg, IN, where she grew up on her father's farm. (Her dad still farms it, by the way.) After attending local schools, Rosalie went on to higher education at Hanover College in Hanover, IN, for three years before graduating from Indiana University with a B.S. in Education in 1971. She then taught third and fourth

graders for two years in the Indianapolis school system.

Her career with the ARRL began in the Communications Department as a DXCC assistant checking QSL cards. That was quickly followed by jobs in public service, club affairs and training aids. In March, 1976, she was promoted to Associate Manager of the newly formed Club and Training Department. Rosalie also organized all the Novice training material and became editor-in-chief of Radio Club News which is distributed on a quarterly basis to all ARRL-affiliated clubs.

"My major interest is clubs," she says; "Chod looks out for the training aspect of the operation." Rosalie has stated her goal for this year is 2000 affiliated clubs by December (there are 1800 or so now affiliated). Chod Harris, her compatriot in C & T, describes Rosalie as "the real force behind Club and Training. She keeps everything going." Chod also spoke of her popularity with all types of clubs at speaking engagements. It is a known fact that the only way the Radio Club News gets excerpts from club bulletins is for Rosalie to thoroughly read 250 club bulletins per month — no wonder they love her!

No "Behind the Diamond" is complete without a word or two about the subject's amateur activities. Rosalie was licensed as WN9FJT in her last year of college. She now holds WA1STO and an Advanced class ticket. Her favorite mode? "CW, of course," she said. There is a difference, though. Rosalie has a passion for getting people off the usual "shop-talk" type of QSOs and into discussions on a variety of topics — e.g., current events, gardening, boating and others. She enjoys DXing on 20 meters and ragchewing on 80. When she is not trying to induce people to talk about something besides antennas, DX and the present state of ham radio, Rosalie makes gardening, hiking, camping, boating and the outdoors her other hobbies.

Even though as a resident of Bristol, CT, Rosalie is slowly being influenced by some of our Nutmegsims, she still retains her ties with Indiana. When visiting her home recently, she helped her father on his farm by plowing fields and sorting hogs. Her sense of humor also holds true with the Midwest. Rosalie described how the county courthouse in Greensburg has a 15-foot tree growing out of its roof. When visitors to Greensburg ask how tree growing there could receive any water, local residents usually say the water springs from the clock, which is also located on the roof.

One thing is for sure — Rosalie is not the kind of person who would ever get wound up over a corny joke like that. — WA1TZK **QST**



Rosalie Cain, WA1STO.

Correspondence

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TO LOBBY OR NOT TO BE

□ Your lead article in July 1977 QST asks members, "Should the League lobby on behalf of amateur radio?" That article seems to seek opinions from members, so here is mine. YES! The League is the largest single representative of amateur radio and the only one in position to speak for the individual ham before congress and the FCC. — Aaron Lewis Overton, W0REFF, Lawrence, KS

□ The idea of suspending the Novice licenses is a very bad one in my opinion, if only for the reason that there are so few activities that one can use to interest youngsters in a person-to-person relationship that is at one and the same time both constructive and rewarding. A lot of good things happen when people gather around a radio set; generation gaps disappear, problems are solved, and insights not only on a technical, but also on a personal level are gained.

How about one dollar a year for each license? It would pay some salaries and enable some work to be done. In fact I'm almost inclined to send a donation for the cause, but more than likely it would only be returned under the present law and just create that much more work for an already overburdened staff. — Reverend Gerald Leibenguth, O.S.B., WB1ATR, Hingham, MA

□ If it would take lobbying from the League to get the situation turned around, let's do it and do it right. I personally worked too hard getting my ticket and station equipment to let it be spoiled because of a lack of regulation from FCC. — Jaap Kroes, WB0AQW, Pella, IA

□ As an unlicensed individual, who is very close to obtaining my Novice ticket, I am upset about the FCC's current money problem. Abolish Novice licensing? To me, that is as if I hiked 100 miles only to see my destination moved another 100 miles away!

In order to help solve the present FCC money crunch, I feel that all license fees should be reinstated. The sum is small to the individual, but the accumulative total at FCC headquarters should be enough to, at least, reduce the "crisis" to a dilemma; and dilemmas are much easier to deal with. — Roger R. Roberts, Racine, WI

□ Please fight to keep the Novice class. I just graduated from Novice to General (6/15/77) and without the Novice experience I would not be in ham radio. Let us go back to exams in blocks and even issue call signs per exam sent to volunteer examiners. — Jack K. Diamond, WB6UZI, Arleta, CA

□ I feel ARRL should lobby and strongly. It would seem good sense, if FCC is in financial trouble, to set up an annual fee system to cover needed administrative and policing personnel. If a CBer or ham can afford \$100 to \$1000 for equipment he can afford to contribute directly to the costs of needed services, if only to guarantee continued enjoyment of his hobby. — H. Stevens, Coventry, RI

□ ARRL should save our money, keep out of hock and submit to FCC a streamlined licens-

ing program, that would benefit the economy and amateur radio, as an enjoyable hobby. I don't think we can afford an effective lobby. — Paul Williams, W6WEQ, Santa Cruz, CA

FATHER KNOWS BEST?

□ I am a strong private enterprise (vs. Government) advocate because in general the competitive motive of private enterprise will whip the "father knows best" approach every time.

I feel quite strongly that while privately owned enterprises serve the Amateur Fraternity well in most departments, the ARRL has a unique and important role to play in organizing and distributing training material. This is not to say that ARRL has a monopoly — I defend the right of private publishers to compete; more power to them — the Amateur Fraternity will then have an opportunity to make a choice. It is possible that some of the producers of training material may resent the part ARRL is playing in providing and distributing Novice courses (and expanding its activities into higher grades). I support ARRL 100 percent. — Philo D. Smith, W7WCT, Spokane, WA

A FEW MONTHS OLD

□ A few months ago I went to the hospital for a hernia operation. For something to read I bought a few old QSTs along. Dug them out of a closet. So here I am propped up in bed reading one of them, and the night nurse came in to the room to take my temperature, and said, "Oh, a QST. My husband is a ham; just got his license a few months ago. I don't remember this issue; must be the new one I haven't seen yet." I told her it was not a current one, but that it was a few months old. I handed it to her and she read March 1924 — she nearly flipped. "Wait till I tell my husband, but I don't think he will believe me." I handed her five or so of the 1924 QSTs for her to bring home. I told her she could keep them.

Two days later he phoned me, thanking me. — Joe Haskell, Jr., W1JGJ, Melrose, MA

SPEEDY COMMUNICATIONS

□ A late change in travel camping plans showed up as some touring in Canada. We were to leave on July 3rd. I phoned ARRL on June 29th, and got the Canadian permit form — along with other pertinent information on June 30. I sent the permit request with an apologetic letter via Special Delivery to Toronto on July 1st, with a request — if they could process — to send same to a pick-up address in West Lafayette, Indiana. The permit, postmarked July 6th, arrived on the 8th! Now, that's real fine service from both sides of the border, and you may be sure I have sent a "thank you" note to the telecommunications people in Toronto! — Douglas W. Benedict, WA1MJT, Thomaston, CT

NO VACANCY?

□ The statement "This frequency is occupied" is stupid to say the least. On 20 meters, what frequency is NOT occupied, especially on weekends when all are used constantly for such useless purposes as evident in the many contests and likewise useless "nets." Some contests and nets are good, but the majority serve no real purpose. — M. W. Mitchell, W0IQZ, Denver, CO

LAUGH BACK

□ TROSTER! TROSTER! TROSTER! TROSTER! I can't believe it! QST, my favorite rag, has finally got another humorous Jack Troster story, and a good one too! Why, it's almost like finding a secret stash of Phil "Gil" Gildersleeve cartoons! — Dave Heil, WB4KTR, Fort Thomas, KY

THANK YOU TD

□ Enclosed is my \$12 renewal for ARRL membership. I really was impressed by QST and the ARRL. Your Technical Information Service crew really helped me. I would really like to see more beginners projects. — Peter John Keane, WD8EKX, Glendale, OH

□ Thank you very much for "A Simple Approach to Complex Circuits." This is the best article on this subject I've seen anywhere and will go far to remove some of the mystery for us who are not electrical or electronic engineers. — Roy E. Lyon, WA4WZJ, Knoxville, TN

QUICK UPGRADING

□ I would like to thank the League for publishing easy-to-understand material. I knew nothing about amateur radio until November, 1976, when I first started learning the code and studying your books. In March, I passed the Novice. In April, I passed the Technician, and in May, I passed the General. With the quick upgrading of my license and help of your books, I just received my call a couple of weeks ago. I am proud to be a member of your League. Although I am only 14 years old, I'm sure with the help of your books, I'll make it to the Extra in the near future. — Randy Himelfarb, WB2OEI, Howard Beach, NY

HARDLY EVER READS IT

□ I've been reading QST for about six months. My teacher at school gets it monthly, but he hardly ever gets to read it. As soon as he gets his copy, I take it home and read it. I have never bought a subscription to a magazine, but now I have found one worth the money. Ron L. Matney, Rockville, MD

The Plunge Forward

What happens when seven officers of the International Amateur Radio Union gather in Maidenhead, England, to consider the status of the Amateur Radio Service around the world, and its preparations for the crucial World Administrative Radio Conference facing us in 1979? One can certainly count on some clear decisions emerging from such a meeting, and we'd like to tell you about some of them.

This particular meeting of the International Working Group was held from 24 to 26 June. Several items were on the agenda: to conduct a country-by-country study of national positions toward both WARC-79 and the Amateur Service; to conduct a similar survey of all bands presently allocated to amateurs and future frequency needs; a discussion of the makeup of the IARU delegation to WARC and how delegates should be briefed; a review of the "Geneva documents" (specially written documents aimed at helping national amateur radio societies in dealing with their national governments and developing amateur radio in their own countries); a consideration of the needs of various IARU member-societies around the world; an important review of Article 41 of the International Regulations; a study of the Amateur Satellite Service and its future role; a discussion of upcoming world meetings and IARU officer travel; and a consideration of the problems confronting the IARU Monitoring

Service (the Intruder Watch program).

Office space adjacent to the site of the WARC was arranged. This is vital to the IARU WARC effort, for this space serves as a headquarters for the Union throughout the Conference and allows the staff to handle routine and special office work.

Just prior to the Maidenhead meeting, it was learned that the Administrative Council of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) had decided to add Article 41 to the agenda of WARC. That is, the regulation which defines and outlines the basic structure of the Amateur Radio Service can now be reviewed and modified by the WARC. It is the position of the IARU (decided in England) that member-societies urge their national governments to retain Article 41 in its present form and that this retention is in the best immediate interest of the Amateur Radio Service and developing Third World countries. To this end, a special position paper was drafted and circulated to all member-societies, outlining the arguments and showing why we must do all we can to retain Article 41 in its present form.

Since it has become apparent to those working on the WARC front that the future of amateur radio lies largely in the Amateur Satellite and microwave bands, it was decided that an amendment along these lines should be prepared to accompany the Geneva documents mentioned earlier. "Use it or lose it!" could well be the watchword of amateurs everywhere as we come down to the wire on

WARC preparations. There is perhaps no resource more limited than the radio frequency spectrum, and the rapidly increasing interest among spectrum users means that the amateur frequencies are very enticing. We must, as a service, prove that we are indeed using all the bands allocated to us now and that our steady growth mandates even more spectrum at WARC-79.

Over the next 18 months, IARU headquarters and the three regional organizations will attend meetings and conferences around the world which are felt to be important to the future of the Amateur Service. These occasions will present opportunities for personal contacts with officers of national societies in all three regions. In addition, important contacts can be made with nonamateur officials in a position to assist the service at WARC-79.

FRIEDRICHSHAFEN: A HOUSEHOLD WORD TO EUROPEAN AMATEURS

Every July, amateurs in Europe set their sights on a charming Bavarian town in the Federal Republic of Germany. Where else can one find 10,000 amateurs and amateur enthusiasts gathered together at one time? Known as "Internationales Bodenseetreffen," the fest offers an unparalleled exhibit of commercially manufactured amateur gear and accessories, as well as numerous activities enjoyed at ham-fests throughout the world.

But one of the most important features of this year's Friedrichshafen gathering was the focus on WARC-79 and the Amateur Radio Service. Interest ran high among the many amateurs attending the "IARU Speaks" seminar. DJ3KR spoke of the ongoing efforts in Europe and Africa (Region 1) to prepare for WARC. They answered questions from the audience, and went to great efforts to inform the attendees of the unified worldwide effort on behalf of the globe's million radio amateurs.

This unity of effort was underscored by remarks of IARU President Noel Eaton, VE3CJ, who pointed out that well-intentioned efforts to support amateur radio in developing countries must be coordinated through the IARU. Only by working together can we retain our position of respect and professionalism.

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP?

Plenty. Talk about WARC on the air. We must make every possible effort to raise the awareness of amateurs in seeing WARC for the challenge it is. Think . . . before you run that patch (see August, 1977, *QST* page 71). Join the Official Observer and Intruder Watch programs (details available from ARRL hq). Get active in microwave (Remember: we use it, or we lose it!). Teach a class. (A service which isn't growing is certainly ripe to lose its frequencies. Growth = life.) You see, the real backbone of the WARC effort isn't in Newington, CT - It's in the field. It's YOU! **QST**

*International Services Assistant, ARRL



Peter Williams, VK3IZ (left), was the first secretary of the IARU Region 3 Association (consisting of member-societies from Australia and New Zealand, the Pacific and central and eastern Asia). He is shown here receiving a plaque of appreciation from Region 3 Director Michael Owen, VK3KI at the recent convention of IARU member-society Wireless Institute of Australia. (VK3ZCK photo)



1889-1977 YL Tradition Maintained

Eighty-eight years ago a communications tradition was originated by six women telegraphers during the Johnstown Flood of 1889. In 1977, Johnstown YLs W3TVU, WB3FAA, WB3FCC, WB3FBI, WB3FBM and WB3CCU maintained the tradition of carrying on the communications link with assistance from N4YL, WB3EFQ and W3CUL on much of the long-haul outlets.

Nancy Coleman, WB3CCU, writes "Several area amateurs had formed a skeletal emergency net when I checked in on Wednesday morning. I was sent to the Meadowvale school to act as emergency liaison for Mayor Pfuhl because all commercial circuits were out. Bedford Street was like the raging white water of the Colorado River so I took off on foot scrambling over fences and backyards to the school.

"From then on I was periodically relaying

requests from the Mayor to fire and police, requests for help from Hornerstown (where I was located), sending appeals for ambulances, and calling for fuel oil for fire equipment. Also I had relays of calls for assistance from the fire department to the gas company to shut off gas at a construction company fire.

"One of the very vital jobs was relaying the names and addresses of refugees who had come to the school, and the saddest was advising authorities each time more dead had been found."

Nancy tells us that hers was just a small contribution the first day of the disaster augmented by work of the many others who came in to assist from all parts of the state. She added that, "Here in a mud-soaked building the full reason for Field Day and the SET was changed from the fun of a contest to grim reality."

ANNUAL TRILLIUM WEEKEND

The annual Trillium Weekend sponsored by the Ontario Trilliums for all amateur radio operators will be held November 5-6, 1977, UTC.

TOT members will operate both phone and cw on 80, 40 and 20 meters. The contest custodian is Eva Colleck, VE3EVA, 155 Midland Avenue, Scarborough, Ontario, Canada M1N 3Z8.

Full contest rules may be found in "Operating Events."

*YL Editor, QST. Please send all news notes to W3WRE's home address: 305 N. Llanwellyn Ave., Glenolden, PA 19036.



Jan Moore, WD4CMG, who passed Novice in February of this year, is hunting states for her WAS while studying with the OM to upgrade her license.



MINOW Net members at their annual picnic: (l-r) Marion, WA7TLL; June, WA7FRM; Pat, WA7GMX; Mary, W7QGP; Joan, WA7BDD; Margaret, WA7RBR; Bernice, WA7TPU; Tiny, WA7LOQ; Freida, K7PVG; Mary, W7KGU; Ruth, WA7RVA; Bea, W7HHH; Beth, W7NJS. (Photo courtesy WA7RBR)

BRYLA AWARD CHANGES

The call and address of the custodian of the Brazilian YL Award have been changed. All requests should be addressed to Therezinha Cardoso, PT2TF, P. O. Box 07/0004, 70.000 Brasilia, DF Brazil.

The BRYLA Net meets each Wednesday at 1900 UTC on 14.250 MHz. These members of the nationwide YL-on-the-air club in Brazil are anxious to meet women from this country and stand by each week for North American participants.

The certificate is awarded for proof of contact with 12 YL stations from three different continents plus eight YL stations from Brazil.



Two of the gals with those distinctive calls: W1YL, Ellen White, Deputy Communication Manager ARRL (right) and W4YL, Timmie McCraw. Both gals hold Extra Class licenses.

1977 YLRL ANNIVERSARY PARTY

The first of the 1977 major YLRL-sponsor contests the YLAP has been scheduled for October 12 and 13, 1977, UTC for the cw section, while the phone portion will be November 3 and 4, 1977, UTC. The contest is for YL operators only.

Remember there is a special award for the highest scoring Novice participant.

All logs should be sent to the Contest Custodian Carol Bourne, WA9NEJ, 362 Hawthorne, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137.

Look for full details in QST's "Operating Events" column.

1977 ONTARIO TRILLIUM OFFICERS

The 1977/78 officers of the Ontario Trillium are President VE3CLT, Thelma Woodhouse; Vice President VE3EVA, Eva Colleck; Treasurer Doris Cody, VE3BBO; Publicity Chairman VE3AIZ, Mary Huston; Social Chairwoman VE3COH, Mary Hedges.

These women will head the TOT through June 1978.

YLRL CERTIFICATES

In answer to many queries the YLRL certificate requests must be accompanied by an itemized list of all contacts with the QS cards. A list is also required for all requests for endorsement stickers for these certificate

Code Practice and Repeaters

We have just installed a 6-dB, omnidirectional Decibel Products antenna at the top of the new 120-foot mast at W1AW. W1AW now increases its range considerably on 2 meters, 147.555 MHz to be exact (a coordinated frequency). The important point here is that W1AW is widely listened to in this area on 2 meters — and the bulletins and code practice are used by many local newcomers.

Did you ever consider what a wonderful device a repeater would be for providing code practice for local work? Many radio clubs have amateur radio classes and running code practice so that students can study on a day-to-day basis can be a problem. If time can be set aside so that the local repeater could transmit code practice, think how much simpler it would be for the club.

Of course the hundred-dollar question is, "Where is a prospective amateur going to get a receiver that will tune in the repeater without spending a young fortune?" No real problem. The weather receivers that are single-channel jobs can be used and they are very reasonable. It is simple to tune them down from the 160-MHz range to 2 meters. In fact, back in 1971, May *QST* we had an article on several low-cost methods of listening to repeaters, including using weather receivers.

It is a simple matter to transmit the code via the repeater — as simple as turning on a tape recorder and setting a mic near the speaker. (But don't forget the time-out timer on the repeater!) There is one more advantage to such a setup. The would-be amateurs will have a chance to actually listen to on-the-air activities — and assuming your repeater observes good operating practices — where better to teach newcomers good habits.

JAMMERS — AND OTHER SICK PEOPLE

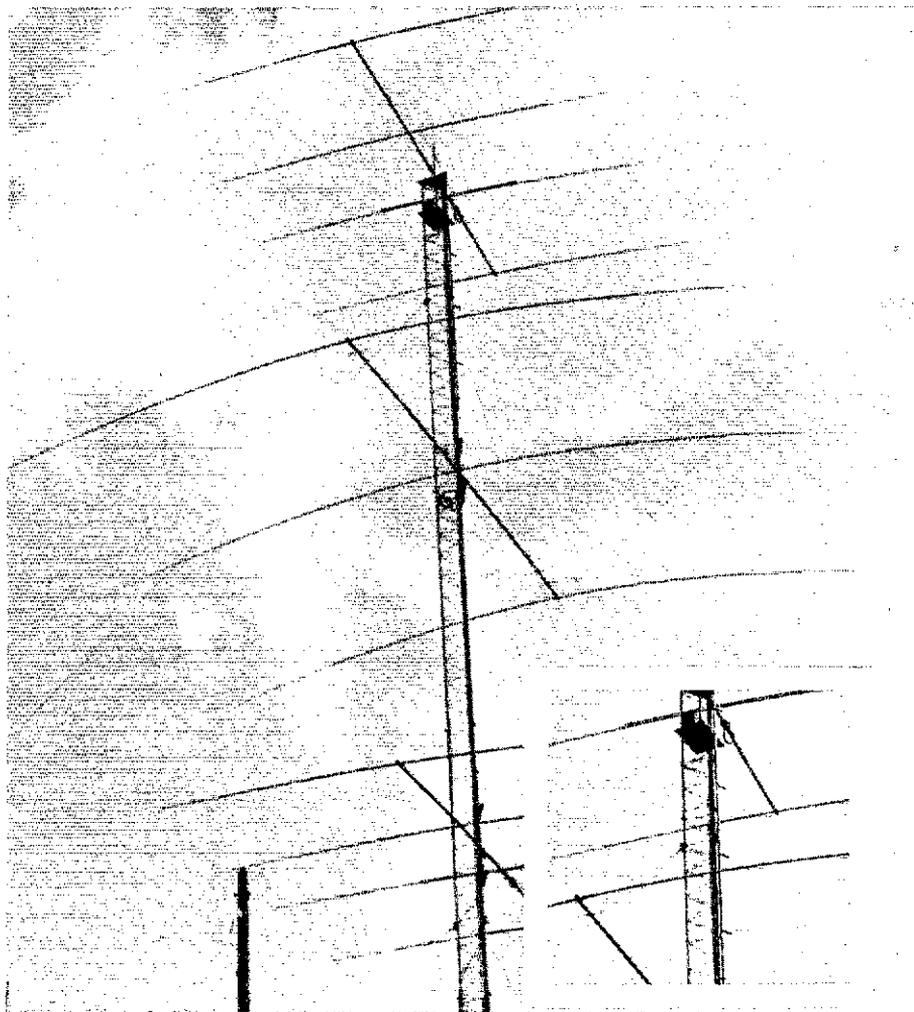
The August Newsletter *Squatch Tale* carried the following thoughts by the Brooklyn group: "Jammers want to be noticed. The King's County Repeater Assoc. policy is to never acknowledge a jammer on the air. Never talk to or about a jammer. Let him talk to himself. Most of these unfortunate individuals will leave under these conditions. Those who don't can be hunted down and prosecuted. This rule is set down by the trustee of WR2ACV and approved by the executive board. The repeater will not be turned off on a jammer unless these rules are broken."

This is good advice from a club that operates a repeater in a crowded, heavy-QRM type of environment — and they make it work. Experience has proven that sick jammers want to be noticed. If you don't play their game then they will leave, because without attention they die. Next time one shows up on your repeater — ignore 'em.

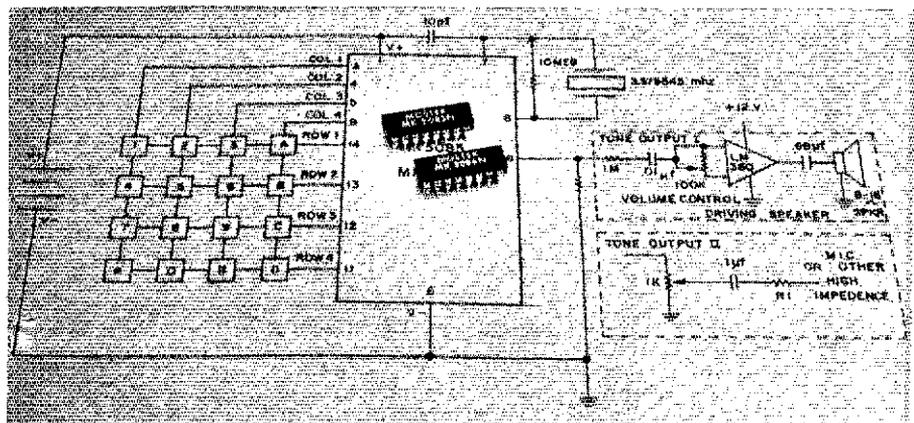
MOSTEK MK5086

Mostek Corp. recently announced the MK5086-N1 tone-generator chip which can be used to build an inexpensive Touch-Tone dialer. Amateurs who like to roll their own can get additional information plus circuit tips by writing to Mostek Corp., 1215 West Crosby Road, Box 169, Carrollton, TX 75006, Attention Joe Jarrett, K5FOG.

*VRAC Liaison, ARRL hq.



Located just below the top 20-meter beam (at 120 feet) is the new Decibel Products stacked four-bay array. The bulletin and code-practice frequency is 147.555 MHz. (The inset photo at the bottom shows the four-bay array.)



These are the two low-priced ICs, the MK5085 and 5086. The only difference between the two parts is their method of keyboard entry.

Washington Mailbox

Conducted By Harold M. Steinman,* K1FH

CODE TESTS

Q. International Morse code seems to be such an outmoded form of communication. Why do we still have to take a code test to obtain an amateur radio license?

A. The usefulness of telegraphy can be hotly debated back and forth. For every person who says it's seen its day there is another person who swears by it for its ability to get through the QRM and transmit messages accurately. It certainly is an *efficient* use of the frequency spectrum for it occupies less bandwidth than other modes. Also, using telegraphy (cw), one can get on the air with less expensive equipment because the circuitry needed to modulate the signal is not required.

The above notwithstanding, there is another overriding reason that a telegraphy test is required to obtain an amateur radio license: The international regulations require it! Section 3 of Article 41 of the regulations of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) states: "Any person operating the apparatus of an amateur station shall have proved that he is able to send correctly by hand and to receive correctly by ear, texts in Morse code signals." So, you see, the FCC has little choice but to require a telegraphy examination for amateur radio licenses.

Q. But didn't the FCC some time back propose a "no-code" entry level license? I believe it was called the Communicator. Doesn't that contradict the international regulation requiring a telegraphy test?

A. Well, the last answer was oversimplified a bit. Section 3 of Article 41 of the ITU rules reads further: "Administrations concerned may, however, waive this requirement in the case of stations making use exclusively of frequencies above 144 MHz." So, for amateur licenses that authorize privileges below 144 MHz (and all present classes of U.S. licenses do), a telegraphy test is required. The Communicator proposal called for only limited privileges *above* 144 MHz, hence is legal under international regulations.

Q. So the international regulations require a telegraphy test for amateur privileges under 144 MHz. But who determines how the test is conducted; that is, who determines the code speed requirements for the different license classes, etc.?

A. The international rules only require that a telegraphy test *must* be given for an amateur radio license granting privileges under 144 MHz. How that test is conducted, its format, and the speed requirements are completely up to the country granting the license. In the case of the U.S., it is the FCC that administers the licensing program. In Canada, the DOC

(Department of Communications) grants amateur radio licenses.

Q. OK, I understand that the FCC must administer code tests because the international regulations require it, and the FCC must abide by the international rules. Can you tell me why the international rules require a code test for amateur privileges under 144 MHz?

A. On an international scale the telegraphy requirement is easier to understand. The code is an *international* language. The ITU wants to assure that should the need arise, amateur stations of different countries can communicate with one another. The code, along with Q signals, is an international language — a common bond among amateurs throughout the world. The fact that amateurs throughout the world can communicate with each other in times of disaster is one justification for the existence of the Amateur Radio Service.

COMMUNICATOR

Q. You mentioned above the proposal for a code-free Communicator license with privileges above 144 MHz only. The FCC first proposed such a concept over two years ago, but I've heard nothing since. What ever happened to the proposal for a code-free entry level license?

A. The Communicator license proposal (Docket 20282) came before the FCC for consideration this past July. Had it been approved at that time, it could have been implemented in the summer of 1979, having telephony only privileges on 220-225 MHz and 420-450 MHz (with 435-438 MHz reserved for satellite communication). The problems discussed were availability of the resources required to administer such a license, the sharing of these bands with the government radiolocation service and possible interference with TV channels 11-13 in some areas. Because these issues could not be satisfactorily resolved, further consideration of the Communicator license was postponed, but not dropped entirely. However, because of the necessity to prepare budgets well in advance, it appears that implementation of such a program could occur at the earliest in 1980, if the concept *does* receive final approval at a later date. That is where the matter stands now.

MAIL EXAMINATIONS FOR APPLICANTS UNABLE TO TRAVEL

Q. The Novice examination is the only test that is routinely given by mail. How does

someone who is unable to travel go about taking the test for a higher class license?

A. Those unable to travel because of protracted physical disability may take the examination at a location other than an FCC examination point when it is shown by a physician's statement that the applicant cannot appear at a regular Commission examination point due to that disability. Application should be made to the FCC Engineer-in-Charge in the district in which the applicant resides. (97.27)

Note that the physician's statement must indicate *two* things: (1) that the applicant is *unable* to travel, and (2) the disability is *protracted* (i.e., long term). The fact that travel for the applicant may be *inconvenient* is insufficient ground to warrant a higher class examination being given at the applicant's home. Also, short-term illness does not warrant such an exemption.

Q. Who chooses the examiner in such cases?

A. The FCC will choose the examiner. The applicant makes application *only* to the FCC Engineer-in-Charge.

IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Q. What are the requirements concerning identifying my station and the station I'm talking to with when I'm on the air?

A. You should give your station's call sign at the beginning and end of a transmission or series of transmissions, and at least every 10 minutes during a single transmission or series of transmissions, in addition, at the end of a QSO you must give the call sign of at least one station you've been communicating with plus your own call sign. (97.87a)

In the case of a net or a round table, you may use some sort of group identifier to indicate the group you're talking with; either the net name, net control station, or other readily recognizable group identifier.

[Editor's Note: In the "Happenings" column this month you will read that the FCC has deleted the requirement that applicants taking FCC supervised examinations must take a separate examination to demonstrate their ability to send international Morse code. At first glance this seems to contradict the international requirement that for a license granting operating privileges below 144 MHz the applicant must demonstrate ability to "send correctly by hand and to receive correctly by ear . . ." The catch, however, is that the administration granting the amateur license has complete freedom to determine to its satisfaction whether or not these requirements are met. The FCC cites the statistics that in May of 1977 out of 3,201 applicants who passed the FCC receiving test, only 2 failed the sending test. Thus, the FCC believes that an applicant who has demonstrated ability to receive code also possesses the ability to send code, and that a separate code sending test serves little purpose.]

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How's DX?

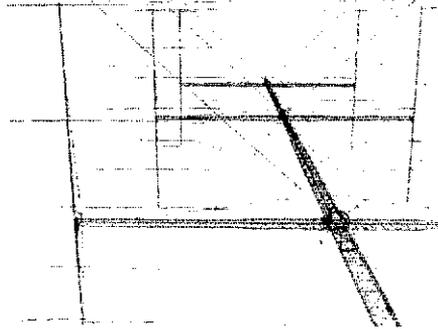


Conducted By Rod Newkirk, * W9BRD

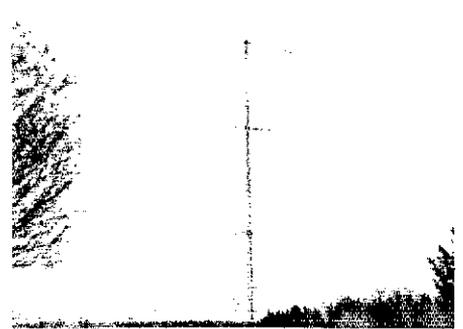
And a Goodly Crowd Was There

We spent some balmy summer evenings speculating about imminent DX wonders of OSCAR. 'Tis time we got back to terra firma, sunspots and 28 MHz, our frequent October theme. One year ago, in fact, we noted that old 10 never really dies, it just QSBs somewhat, reporting phenomenal summertime 28-MHz openings near the bottom of the sunspot cycle. Now after another such sensational season we're wondering if we haven't been putting the DX cart before the propagation horse all these years. Maybe happenings on old 10 actually lead and portend changes in solar climate, not the other way around.

"Reports for 10 meters are forging far ahead of those for 40 and 80," observed WA6AUD in a June issue of his West Coast *DX Bulletin*. QSOs with all continents were indicated on voice and code. Geoff Watts' *DX News-Sheet* listed steady 28-MHz action through the hot months, not only easy north-south skip. G4BHE picked up 58 fast countries on 10. In VERON's weekly *DXpress* PAØTO acknowledged the trend to recommend, "Keep a close eye on the band, especially for nonamateur trespassers. Many countries now are easier to work on 10 than on 20." Western Washington DX Club's July *Totem Tabloid* (K7VPE & Co.) confirms



OH8OS offers your QTH of the Month including what well may be the most elaborate 20-meter antenna system in amateur radio. Simon says the 36-element rotary array on that 210-foot stick has 24 dB gain over a dipole. W9KOK journeyed all the way to Oulu for a close look at this monster. (W9KOK and W2ONV photos)



developments: "Summer conditions continue to provide thrills. JAs still are found on 15 and 10 late at night."

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FROM QST'S DX MAILBAG

HEREABOUTS: Although I missed much of that fabulous June 10th-11th 28-MHz opening I did contact 20 countries including 4Z4UH and four UB5s. (W3RI) . . . W8s DNC VW, N8AA, VE1CD and I will caper in the Caymans on the 19th-29th of next month, 1.8-28 MHz, call(s) unknown at this writing. This will be primarily a radiotelegraphic DXcursion and Novice bands will not be ignored. (K8MFO) . . . Left W3GJY and

*c/o ARRL, 225 Main St., Newington, CT 06111



HC5EE throws plenty of rf our way in pursuit of five-band WAS and DXCC certification on voice and code. OSCAR work is in prospect. Rick expects to continue medical studies in Ecuador for the next several years. XYL Maria is also active from Cuenca as HC1MM/5 when not QRL with two lively junior ops.

338 confirmed a year ago this month. (W7LLC) . . . Nice diploma from RCV for participation in last year's Venezuela DX Test. (W1OPJ) . . . At 223 countries confirmed I find the DX climb getting steeper every day, especially with S7 local QRN. (PY6CN) . . . My Argonaut 509, modified and certified for strictly one-watt input, has an ssb country total of 139/112 worked/confirmed as of June. Some 600 DX stations have been QSOed since last October. (W8ILC) . . . LU8DQ came back to my 1.7 watts and inverted V on 7005 kHz, a real DX thrill. (W6NPN) . . . The barefoot gang shouldn't let all the kW's on 14 MHz discourage them. My hundred watts and vertical catch plenty of DX. I see nothing wrong with so-called "list" operation, a technique that promotes many more contacts between Statesiders and out-numbered DX. (WA4QHV) . . . Eighty and 40 were my big DX bands in early summer. (K3UA) . . . WA4YZC and I will sign ZF2AP on Grand Cayman late this month into November with the accent on 15 and 20. (W4YKH) . . . Now moving to Maryland after finally making DXCC as WA4GAJ. Pacific propagation peaked in June for goodies like FK8CP, FØ8DY, KJ6BZ, KP6BD, VK9ZM, VR3AK 4DH, 3D2s DM and ER, all new ones here. (N4GI) . . . Beginning early in May I observed the best openings to eastern Europe and the Middle East in 15 years of hamming. (W7LLM) . . . Kept KV4IF active on 160 through 2 meters from June into September. (K1DLM) . . . Our Virginia Century Club enjoyed summer meetings at the QTHs of W9QØ/4, W4OM, WA4s HHG and YBV. (WA4ZYU) . . . VP1MPW, now back in eight-land, worked every band from 160 to OSCAR during 10 months in Belize. A KL7 on 28 MHz would have clinched Mark's SBWAS. His gear was left in the able hands of VP1SM. (W5QPX/YNIQX) . . . Departed WA8FIO for a new Michigan QTH and got a fresh call

to go with it. (N8ZZ) . . . I'll return to cw action this month with an ear out for U.S. Novices. Incidentally, Guatemala's Novices can work only 40-meter ssb. (TG9ML) . . . KX6DC, UH8HB1 and other delicacies have been surprising me on 20 around 2000 UTC. (WA2ZQB) . . . I'm still averaging about 75 contacts daily. G3XTT being this year's 15,000th QSO. (KV4AA) . . . Took me years to clinch my own tricky DXCC, a double-letter-suffix job. Goes CE8AA-CR6YY-DL1FF-FB8XX, etc. Is this an original? (N2AC) . . . "The Case for Identity," your July commentary, makes me wonder anew why any amateur would voluntarily abandon a call sign he has held for many years. (W7CWN) . . . I'm working toward my Extra but you can bet I'll cling to the radio identity I've held since 1969. (WB9CAC) . . . It took patient WØLNC 25 years to coax me into amateur radio. Now DX, here I come! (WDØALE) . . . K1DRN/C6 raised all States and 56 countries on his July jaunt to Freeport. Vern also has three St. Pierre sessions behind him. Easter's CEØAE has his 1827-kHz rig finally debugged. Fr. Dave listens near 1805 around 0500 UTC. (WCDXB)

EUROPE: I have a full-size 80-meter quad fired up outside Paris which has accumulated about 150 ssb countries on the band. This month I'll watch for Statesiders on 75, Friday and Saturday nights. Other big weapons on 3.6-3.8 MHz are the rhombic of UK9AAN and the delta loop of U18LAG. From New York in about a year on 75, I have 172/165 countries worked/confirmed but DX is easier in France. (WA2LTQ/FØCGP) . . . Ready for this month's contest action, I'm rigging large loops, phased arrays, groundplanes, long-wires. Beverages and various multiband beams for 160 through 10 meters at a hand-picked Liechtenstein location. (DJ2EH/HBØ) . . . Russia's '75 COM DX Test, a radiotelegraph affair, entertained Yank single-op entrants in

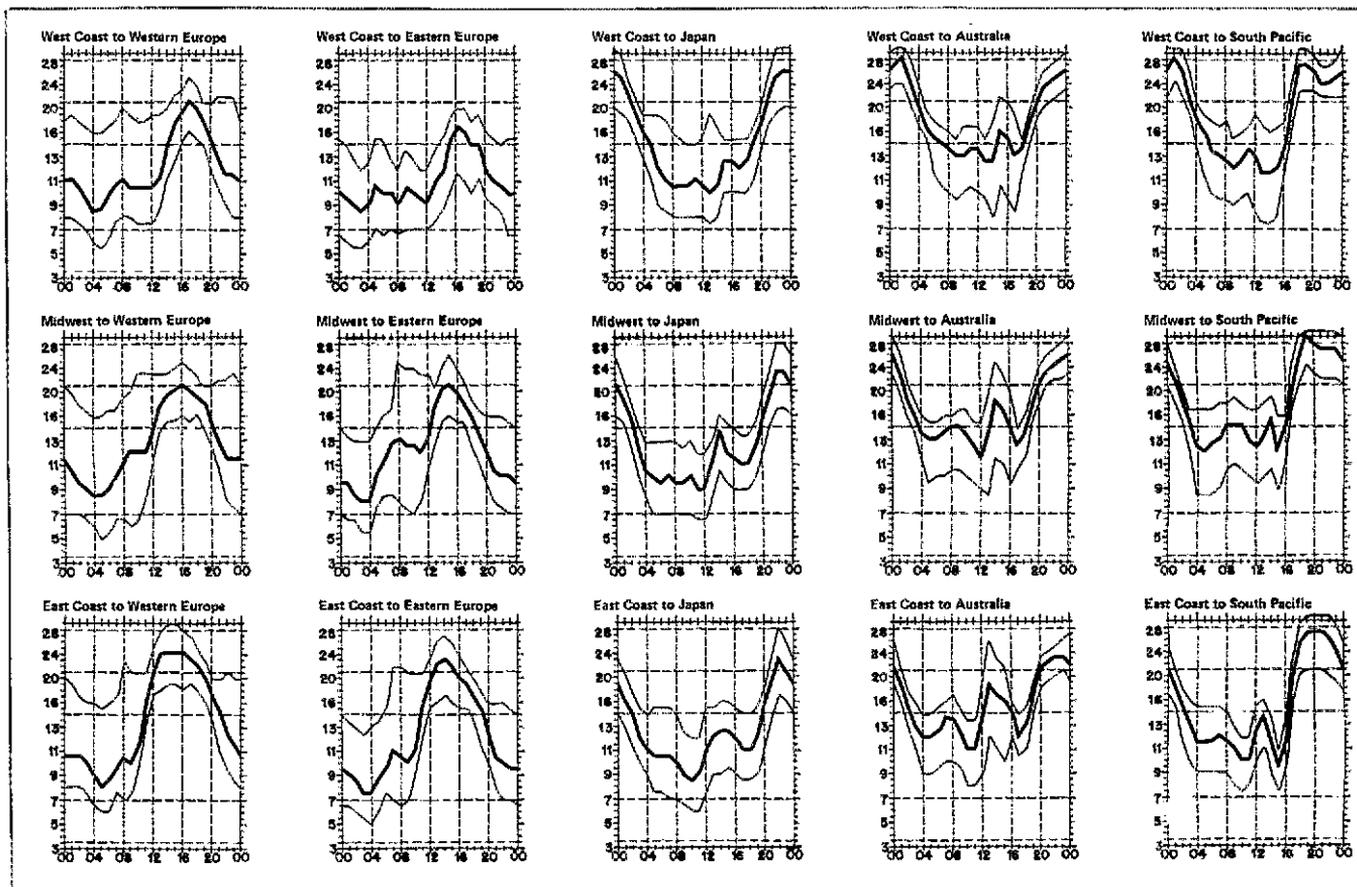
this scoring order: K3EST, W8VSK, WA1NKK, KH6CKJ, Ws 0BMM 3GN/8 1OPJ 3EAN, WB2VFT, Ws 6DGH and 8RV, with VE5RA representing Canada. Continental leaders were JH1GTQ, K3EST, OA4AJT, OK2SIR and VK5NO, no Africans applying. Other single-op winners by country included: D16AU, DM2CMF, EASBS, F5YG, G3TFF, GW3INW, HA0DU/9, HPIAC, HFGI, JT1AO, LA2Q, LU6FF, LZ2HA, OH5TS, OZ5ME, PA0VB, SM0CCE, SP7CTY, W6GBY/6Y, Y05BQ and YU1NGO. Russia's regional leaders were UAs 4PWW 4SM 4WAD 6JWW 6KAH 6PBO 6WF 9IH 9WS 9XS 0YAE, UC2RG, UD6BO, UF6DZ, UH8BO, U18ACI, UJ8JAS, UL7EAH, UM8FM, U05PK, UP2CY, UQ2PQ, UR2QI, UT5GZ and UW3HV. U18ACI turned in the fattest, single-operator score worldwide. (CRC) . . . For contact with all 14 of those U69 commemorative stations, active through the 7th-8th of next month, the U.S.S.R. Central Radio Club will issue special wallpaper. (N6HR) . . . Low-frequency DX specialist PA0GMW lays off heavy hamming for the next few years while pursuing his EE master's degree. Paul's imposing rural 75/80-meter antenna farm will give way to a modest city skyhook. Myself, I'm now active mostly from club station W9YH. (PA9AWG/K9VV) . . . In your July picture caption G6CJ holds a type "R" tube that was used for transmitting, not receiving, during pioneer contact with Australia. (W0JF) . . . Please mark your DX calendars for the annual Spanish International Contest on the first (voice) and second (code) weekends in December. (URE) . . . 9H1FF keeps me QRL as QSL manager for his many sideband QSOs on 15 and 20 meters. (K9DID) . . . I7s DLV DPO and I enjoyed a DX excursion to the Cheradi Isles in late July as U7EX/JJ0NU. (17VCA) . . . Yugoslav DX Club, P. O. Box 82, Ptuj 62250, offers a certification attainable by W/K/VEs for work-



VE2AQS/TG9 amassed 24,000 QSOs from Guatemala City before QSYing to Peru for more multiband DX work and an OSCAR fling.

ing four of 40 designated YU stations. Another similar sheepskin for YU QSO prowess is available through YU2AKL. (YUDXC) . . . British QSOs on June 4-12, 1977, may qualify you for the English Silver Jubilee Award, details available here for s.a.e. plus IRCs. (G8KLO) . . . E10A of IRTS bagged 2300 DXpeditionary QSOs from the Arans. UW3HY relocates to Franz Josef Land to bolster UK1PAA's cw program. SV0WZ, due for Maryland return, leaves his Crete TH3 with SV11V. (WCDXB) . . . Facilities loaned by PA0s LVB and WRS helped PA0TO maintain DXpress mailings in the aftermath of VERON's big office fire. (VERON) . . . YL DX? G4EZI, Diana, suggests CE1KZ, CTs 1YP 2YA, TG9HZ, VE3HYU/SU, VP8NY, 6Y5YL and 9K2BE, all on 20 ssb. (DXNS) OCEANIA: So much fine DX rolling through

on Guam I can't decide where to point my new TH6. Fifteen's been coming alive to the U.S. East Coast and 10 has good openings to South America on the midnight path. Let's have more 28-MHz activity! I'm looking forward to 40- and 80-meter DX doings this fall and winter. (KG6JH/K6QHC) . . . DU6RH digs for Alabama, Maine and Nevada to complete WAS. Ricardo likes cw on the low ends of 20 or 40 around 1300 UTC. (W7HPI) . . . Speaking of DUs, I sure miss the big sig of old DU7SV whose QSLs were so prominent on DXers' walls some years ago. VK1DL puts a rather rare prefix on 40 cw these days. (W8IQ) . . . W6YO/mm aboard Yankee Trader, who regaled Novices as W6YO/VR6 on 15 cw, intends more rare stops before heading homeward. (G. Hunt) . . . Arrived Wake in mid-July and the island's administration quickly blessed my proposed DX efforts. After straining a 14-MHz tape dipole to a nearby palm tree I found myself the sole active KW6. Though only 20 feet high the antenna had a view of blue Pacific and, operating intermittently for about a week, I collected 1370 QSOs with 25 countries. Some 650 contacts were with the USA, another 570 with Japan. Cw QSOs outweighed ssb. No Africans were worked, very few East Coast W/Ks. More power and a better skywire would have helped in marginal conditions. There is plenty of interest in ARRL's CW-DXCC, especially among JAs, as I was the first land-based Wake cw station available since 1974. American and Japanese operators displayed a high level of savvy, skill and courtesy. Lids, jammers and tuner-uppers were an insignificant minority. With my departure KW6 activity returned to zero but there's a chance for Wake MARS activation in the not-too-distant future. If a ham takes on the post it should be a very lively and interesting DX tour. For WA6KWQ/KW6 QSLs use only my home QTH as it appears in



When are the bands open? These charts predict this month's average propagation conditions for high-frequency circuits between the U.S. and various overseas points. One chart for East Coast to West Coast is also included. On 10 percent of the days of the month, the highest frequency propagated will be at least as high as the uppermost curve (highest possible frequency, or hpf). On 50 percent of the days of the month, it will be at least as high as the middle curve (maximum usable frequency, or muf). On 90 percent of the days of the month, it will be at least as high

the latest *callbook*. (WA6KWQ) . . . Delightful visit with OT VK5WR in Adelaide. A later stop in Perth brought a pleasant meeting with another old QSO buddy, VK6RU. Jim and XYL Joan were also wonderfully hospitable. (W9DH) . . . VR3AH closed down in favor of return to Kwajalein after unrarifying Christmas Atoll with thousands of multiband QSOs. Doug probably will retain his old KX6LA call. The depth of VR3AH interest among 160-meter DX fanatics was awesome to behold! (K2BT) . . . More Oceanograms via WCDXB: VK4FJ's springtime Lord Howe splash weighed in at 2300 contacts. . . P29JS warms up a new TS-820 at Konedobu. . . VK9JD likes Sunday 3.8-MHz DX and should be heard from Norfolk for the next few years. . . FK8BK expects to resume FR7BM adventures this month. . . VR1AF has a new 7- and 3.5-MHz antenna matcher on Ocean Isle. . . ZK1DR intends voice and code frivolity at Rarotonga into 1980, a new quad due. Alan formerly signed ZLs 4FX 2BX and 5AC. Neighbor ZK1BA knocks off for New Zealand. . . W6s UOU and WNE kicked off a global spin with mid-August Ponape operation. This month may find them audible in the Mediterranean vicinity after other Asian and African ssb activations on 10, 15 and 20.

ASIA: Unrest in the Middle East prevents Syria from implementing the more liberal radio regulations prepared several years ago. YK1AA remains the only Syrian licensee active since club station YK1KAS closed down. The country's Technical Institute of Radio, an International Amateur Radio Union affiliate, looks forward confidently to better days for YKs. (WA1ZQP) . . . KA6 friends and I may try further DXpeditionary doings after summer Marcus success. (HL9VA) . . . WSUJF and K8CSG, going strong from HZ1AB since January, should keep Saudi



VS6GG catches frequent 14-MHz openings between chores as Hong Kong Transmitting Society secretary. This picture comes via John's busy QSL manager, WB4FJO.

Arabia coming through for several years. (K8PYD) . . . JA7s RHJ UHH, JH7s CSU and IDA operated JA7ZSQ/JD1 on Chichi-Jima in the Ogasawaras in August, a DXcurstional project of Morioka DX Club. (T. Sasaki) . . . A9KCC, usually on 14,217 kHz after 2300 UTC, may terminate in February. Nearby A4XFV likes 14,203 at 2230, A4XFW tries 14,230-kHz slow-scan at 2130-2400, and A4XGX haunts 14,224 from 0200-0300 or so. (LIDXA) . . . More Asian items courtesy WCDXB: S21AB works mostly JAs from Dacca, 20 ssb. . . The 10-meter beacon lineup includes A9XC on 28,207.5 at 2100-1400 UTC, EA2OJZ 28,247.5, N4RD 28,207.5, VP9BA 28,165 and 5B4CY 28,200 kHz. . . Old Laos band ex-XW8FN is now WB3IDA, ex-XW8AL signs F0DAJ, ex-XW8HT (CPLJV) will try DX luck as an H18, and ex-XW8BS is W7KRP. . . OE2WSL/YK should be raisable on 15 and 20 sideband

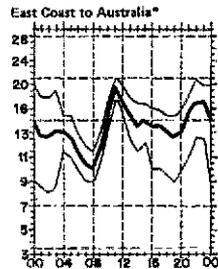
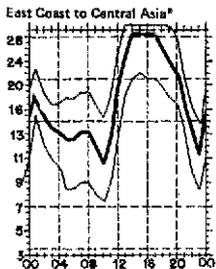
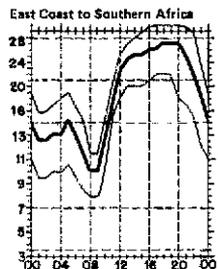
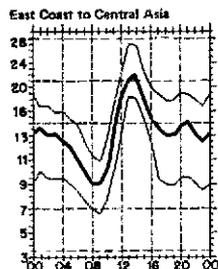
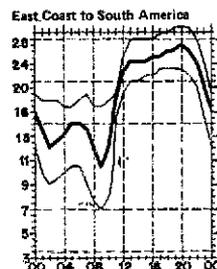
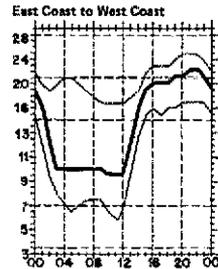
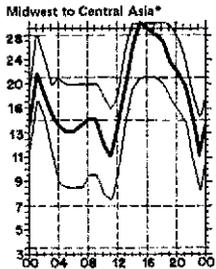
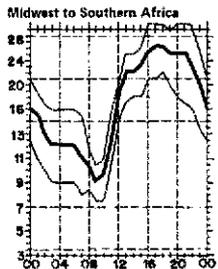
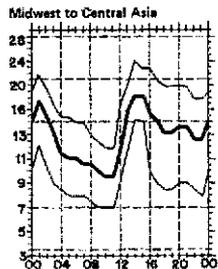
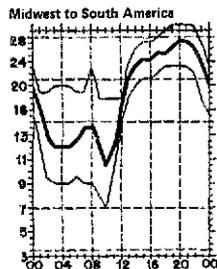
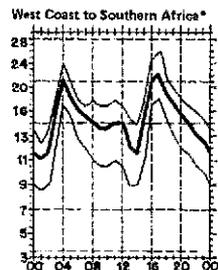
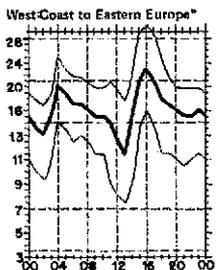
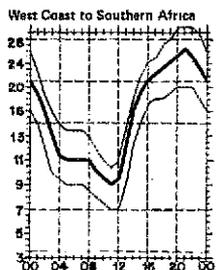
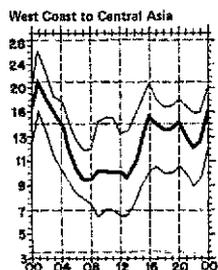
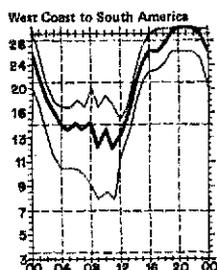
until QRT next month. . . JT00AQ closed his Outer Mongolia logs for return to UC2LBI after 5500 QSOs with 123 countries, mostly on 40 and 80. . . Time to credit sources for much monthly "How's" data, recording recent input from Arkansas DX Association (WASYMW), Canadian DX Association *Long Skip* (VE1AL/VE3), Columbus Amateur Radio Association *CARAScope* (W8ZCO), *DX News-Sheet* (G. Watts, Norwich, England), Long Island DX Association *Bulletin* (W2IYX), Newark News Radio Club *Bulletin* (M. Witkowski, Rte. 6, Box 255, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 54481), Northern California DX Club *DXer* (K6SSI), North Florida DX Association *News* (WA4UFW), *VERON's DXpress* (PA0TO), West Coast *DX Bulletin* (WA6AUD) and Western Washington *DX Club Totem Tabloid* (K7VPPF). Y'all come again!

SIXTH CALL AREA QSL BUREAU

The Sixth Call Area QSL Bureau is unique in its organization. Under the auspices of the Los Angeles Area Council of Amateur Radio Clubs and the General Managership of W6LPI, the workload of the bureau is divided between 13 radio clubs in the Los Angeles area.

The 26 letters of the alphabet are divided among 24 submanagers in the 13 clubs. Each of the submanagers is responsible for the sorting and distribution of cards for calls whose suffix starts with their particular assigned letter or letters of the alphabet. While "many hands make light labor," inasmuch as some 400,000 cards for an estimated 4000 people were handled by the Sixth Call Area QSL Bureau in 1976, just how "light" the labor is might be questioned.

Taking a break from their task at the bureau's annual meeting are W6DDB, W6LPI



as the lowest curve (optimum traffic frequency, or fof). See January 1977 *QST*, page 58, and September 1977 *QST*, page 35, for a complete explanation. The horizontal axis shows Universal Coordinated Time (UTC); the vertical axis, frequency in MHz. Asterisk indicates long-path circuits. Data are provided by the Institute for Telecommunication Sciences, Boulder, CO. These predictions for October, 1977, assume a sunspot number of 44, which corresponds to a 2800-MHz solar flux of 97.

and YF, K6XO, W6QVK, W6IR, W6EL, WA6TLA and son, WA6JZL, W6WIS, K6ELX, W6BA, WA6DZR, WB6BFK, WA6ARL, K6LXH, WB6UJA and WB6ROH. Other bureau workers not shown in the photo are WB6CEI, K6VA, W6HUR, K6KIF, K6JG, W6NHX, WA6OWM, K6YGN and WB6NSJ.

The 13 radio clubs involved are Assoc. Amateurs of Long Beach, Downey ARC, Hughes ARC, JPL ARC, Lockheed ARC, Marina ARC, Monterey Park ARC, San Fernando Valley ARC, Santa Clarita ARC, So. CA DX Club, TELCO ARC, TRW Systems ARC and United RC.

Are you doing your part to help these people help you? Do you have envelopes on file at your QSL bureau? If not, why not?



Sorting 400,000 cards is surely no small task. But it's not just all work for the Sixth Call Area QSL Bureau volunteers, shown here at their annual meeting.

THE ARRL DX QSL BUREAU SYSTEM

The ARRL DX QSL bureau system distributes cards free of charge from DX stations to amateurs within the League membership area (see page 8). Every active DXer should keep several 5 X 7-inch envelopes on file with the bureau of his home district. Place your call sign in large block letters in the upper left corner, and attach a single first-class stamp, unless you normally receive more cards. Unclaimed cards are discarded after one year. For more details on the bureau system, write ARRL HQ.

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QSL bureaus for other areas can be found in the December, 1975, issue of QST, page 64.

DX Century Club Awards

The ARRL DXCC is awarded to amateurs who submit written confirmation for contacts with 100 or more countries on the official ARRL DXCC List. You may also submit cards to endorse your award in 20-country increments through 240, 10-country increments through 300, and in 5-country increments above 300. The totals shown below are exact credits given to DXCC members from July 1 through July 31, 1977. An s.a.s.e. will bring you the full rules for participation in the DXCC, the DXCC list and application forms.

New Members

Mixed

CX4CR/226	K4IX/109	WA4EFH/105	W9ZXN/102	WB6EMR/101
YU1OER/178	WB0TDZ/109	WB9SEJ/105	W0GZI/102	JR3ODV/100
K1SA/154	DM3WMJ/108	YU3WS/105	JE1BQE/101	K2JT/100
WA4GKR/129	W7FOF/108	DF2SL/104	VE3AAN/101	WA3PTY/100
I0MM/122	WB7AJR/107	K7SPL/104	VE7DEN/101	WA4JY/100
WB9GGD/122	AA0KXJ/106	DK8KC/103	W8KM/101	WA0KX/100
DA2BD/119	WA0Q/106	JA1MNO/103	WA1NLD/101	WB2AMU/100
DL20V/118	JA5PUL/105	VE3HHS/103	WA2EJZ/101	

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CX2CS/182	DK5XQ/130	VE2GQ/105	K8CYJ/102	VE1VE/SU/101
ZP5LX/164	ZP5EF/127	WB8PCN/105	K9RSF/102	WB5UK/101
WA4JTI/160	VE4AA/109	E19CB/103	WA6NRQ/102	DA2BD/100
18KNT/151	JA5PUL/105	K7SPL/102	K7CCP/101	H18EDS/100
F6BFI/141				

CW

QH2BAD/145	VE3CVZ/115	JA3AQM/106	K1SA/103	W9AG/101
W3GID/130	K2AAC/108	JA1BWA/105	W7OK/102	W8K/100
JA6UYF/125	W6RGQ/108	W0CAW/104	W1ZW/101	WB4ACV/100
CX4LO/120	OK3EA/107			

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DJ2AA	JA6BZI	K3EH
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Endorsements

Mixed

OE1ER/358	W1JFL/316	K9CT/279	W8LU/230	KP4BDL/160
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W8JBI/354	SM6EOC/311	W3GL/273	YU3TY/222	K4SV/159
DL1BO/345	W3KA/311	W7ZH/272	WA4JT/220	K2RN/144
K3H/345	W6GC/311	VE3CVZ/272	WB9CGL/220	WB9DWG/142
W2GC/345	K9JF/310	WA4DCP/264	WA6DNM/219	WA7DYH/141
W0GKL/345	DJ3GG/309	K4VT/260	K6DR/202	JA6UYF/140
DL7HU/342	K6QJO/306	K5KLA/260	N6SV/202	WA4WCG/140
KP4RK/340	N8AA/305	WB2VFT/260	CX4CO/201	WB4FOT/140
W9TKD/340	OK3EA/302	DL1LZ/252	KG6SW/201	W1YNE/139
W2GKZ/336	W5UC/302	W4CZU/251	WB2LOF/200	YU3UAR/133
W8RT/336	K6DT/300	K6DG/250	YU2CAL/188	WB4ACV/128
K2LE/331	N3ED/297	W3XX/250	K6ZMB/182	WB2IDU/126
W4KFC/330	W6UJ/297	VE3DU/249	W0BWJ/182	W4ONA/123
SM9KV/328	W6VBI/296	YU3EU/244	N4HU/181	W8MLO/122
W7DY/328	JA1WVK/290	W8GOC/241	WB6TUH/181	K4BIY/120
JA1MCU/325	K8RA/290	WB9BJ/241	W9UDK/181	N7DC/120
K5LIL/325	WA5WFV/290	W2TA/240	I3EGD/164	W3CRG/120
W9H/325	VE3IR/287	OE1FR/239	K1BUR/163	WB7DPM/120
K4RID/321	K3YMY/285	DL2RA/W1/238	VE3PLC/163	
WA6DUG/320	WA9VIZ/281	WB5HYV/238	JR1TNE/161	
JA1DFQ/317	WA4EYR/280	W8ZNO/232	K79FN/160	
W6MUM/317		JA3CHO/231		

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T12HP/354	I1UW/303	W3GL/256	WB5HYV/222	WA6HAV/160
W0GKL/344	W2OVQ/291	I7RNH/253	DL2AA/W1/218	K1CPJ/152
DL7HU/338	JA1DFQ/289	K6DT/253	YU3TY/215	LU8BF/151
EA2HX/333	WB1XM/289	N3ED/253	W8LU/207	WA0TAM/150
I5WT/330	K5FM/283	WA4CXZ/251	I8ACB/200	W7GOV/141
W2GKZ/330	W6UJ/280	K6DG/250	N6SV/200	WB4ASV/141
K2JMY/326	K5YMN/276	W1KSN/250	K8GVM/199	W9CYL/140
PY2DY/322	K25JM/266	CT2BB/244	KG6SW/199	VE1DI/139
W9TKD/321	CX9CO/265	W6EHA/240	W0BWJ/182	WB9DWG/138
W9HZ/319	SM5AGB/263	W0AUB/240	I1GAS/164	K2BDQ/132
G5AFA/315	W5UC/261	WB9BGJ/240	K1BUR/163	WB2IDU/125
W6XP/309	OE1PC/260	OK3EA/234	K0IET/161	W8TXM/120
G3ZBA/307	W9MQK/258	W8ZNO/224	W8NPF/160	WB2HJW/120
K6QJO/305	K9JF/256	PY6CN/222	W0SIP/7/160	W2YTO/118

CW

W3KT/231	K6DT/170	WA6DNM/160	DL1LZ/140	W6UY/127
DL8AN/201	W0BW/161	K2IJ/142	K2FL/138	W3GL/121
W7LR/175	W2NC/160	WA4LDM/141	K9QXY/131	

50 Years Ago

October, 1927

- The U.S. will support present amateur bands (3500-4000, 7000-8000 and 14,000-16,000 kc.) at the forthcoming international radio conference, but preliminary proposals from other countries are nowhere near as favorable.
- Amplifier power output when driven by an oscillator doesn't satisfy a number of amateurs, and currently there is a trend to letting the amplifier oscillate on its own, making sure it is "locked in" to the crystal. 1AXA shows the latest example.
- 178 reports were received from U.S. and Canadian participants in the international DX test. Much of the effective work was done on

25 Years Ago

October, 1952

- Interest is high in pi-network output circuits for reduction of TVI, but few components are available for high-power amplifier use. W1DF shows us a Hq. test unit in which he modified and adapted available parts for the half-kw. range.
- W6QYT's tunable audio amplifier, or "Selectoject," has generated considerable interest among selectivity-minded hams, and Prof. Villard presents a new and improved version with simpler receiver interconnections.
- The League has filed comment with FCC vehemently opposing the concept of restricted subbands for calling and answering purposes only.

20 meters, dispelling earlier doubts about that band. A map of worldwide activity shows only a few countries, mostly in Africa, with no amateurs.

- Alex Nyman of Cornell Dubilier shows us in detail what makes condensers function, how internal current flow varies with the shape and construction, and how high-voltage types differ from high-current designs.
- An Experimenters' Section report does much the same for r.f. chokes, in particular illustrating the extensive change of impedance when the frequency is varied.
- Former Department Editor Mason has completed an extensive expedition in northern Alaska with the Wilkins group; most communication was commercial, but using hand-designed gear and techniques, and Howard often wished a bunch of hams were on the other ends of QSOs.
- 1ZS describes another way to calibrate a wavemeter from b.c. station harmonics.

□ The Sweepstakes dates are imminent, and Asst. Secretary W1KE reports the results of a survey among previous top-scorers, divulging their secrets of success.

- Our advanced communications receivers these days have a lot of output, and if the background noise between stations is bothersome you can build the onboard squelch system described by Cornell Lab's Ronald Ives.
- Asst. Secretary W1LVQ was long bothered by lack of c.w. reception capability in commercial mobile converters, and so built his own b.f.o. attachment.
- Ending years of East Coast domination of the top spot, W5ENE placed highest in the 18th ARRL DX contest.
- If single-sideband theory and terminology still confuse you, W6UYG's explanation of basics should help considerably.
- Hams are providing communication for the women's transcontinental air races. — W1RW

Strays

I would like to get in touch with . . .

- amateurs who are members of Sister Cities groups who would like to get together on the air and discuss the program and possible contacts with hams in our sister cities. Robert C. Morgan, W6UMV, 7448 Sausalito Ave., Canoga Park, CA 91307.
- any DX station who would like a stateside QSL manager. Also any station in Alaska who would like to set up a cw sked to help me with WAS. Alan D. Kamman, WA1VWF, 454 Ward St., Newton Ctr., MA 02159.
- amateurs who are kidney dialysis or transplant patients. Wm. L. Harris, K9FOV, 414 Bombering, Lafayette, IN 47905.
- Hudson River Valley Novices and Techs to set up an 80- or 15-meter HV Novice and Tech net starting in September on Sunday or Tuesday evenings at 2030 local time. Stu Ballinger, WA2BSS, 57 S. Clinton St., Poughkeepsie, NY 12601.
- anyone who can help me locate a working heliograph instrument to be used in re-enacting old-time communication feats. Lewis Coe, W9CNY, P. O. Box 316, Crown Point, IN 46307.
- amateurs who are 18 years or younger to form a 20-meter phone net for young OMs. George Thompson, WA4YQX, 8121 Lillian Hwy, Lot 52, Pensacola, FL 32506.
- bankers who are amateurs. Les Lussier, WA1JBH, Northampton Institution for Savings, 109 Main St., Northampton, MA 01060.
- hams who are boating enthusiasts, with interest in forming a 20-meter net to exchange ideas on circumnavigating, hamming on board, etc. Capt. Al Yetman, VE3HTV, Box 271, Stn. A, Scarborough, ON M1K 5B9, Canada.

Silent Keys

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

- W1ASF, Reed B. Eddy, Sr., Middletown, CT
- K1KQJ, Karl W. Miles, Wilton, NH
- W1MTL, Lt. Col. Charles E. Remick, Ellsworth, ME
- W1NT, Henry G. Lambert, West Yarmouth, MA
- WA1OUP, Edward W. Strong, Boxford, MA
- W1QEI, Ernest E. Crocker, Fairfield, ME
- W1TK, John E. Wilkinson, Westport Point, MA
- W1UXI, Harry E. Dean, Bernardston, MA
- W1ZEL, James Petalas, Littleton, MA
- W2FZ, Frank Frimmerman, Bronx, NY
- W2GVT, Solomon Kupferman, Flushing, NY
- WA2SNT, Louise Smith, Forest Hills, NY
- K2YFL, John T. Warek, Yonkers, NY
- *WB2ZOZ, John V. Fieldly, New Windsor, NY
- K3ABC, Lyle K. Williams, Wysox, PA
- W3NRZ, Leo J. Voltz, Sarver, PA
- W3SDE, Albert L. Godshall, Lansdale, PA
- *K3VYO, Charles Renner, Pittsburgh, PA
- W3ZDW, Joseph P. Merloni, Coraopolis, PA
- W4BEK, William F. Lange, Charleston, TN
- K4DLC, William P. Hamilton, Lake Placid, FL
- K4EAL, Clayton M. Cook, Englewood, FL
- W4FRH, Robert W. Franklin, Greensboro, NC
- WB4HHW, Millard L. Rucks, Okeechobee, FL
- W4JDV, Charles H. Welch, Winter Park, FL
- W4JVP, Marion B. "Hank" Tribbley, Greenville, NC
- K4KKJ, Kenneth F. Miller, Port Richey, FL
- K4LFT, Michael J. English, Port Charlotte, FL
- W4LON, Frank D. Luddington, Dunedin, FL
- W4MGV, William T. McMahan, Morrow, GA
- W4MWR, D. Ernest Farmer, Lexington, KY
- W4NLS, William J. Bainbridge, New Smyrna Beach, FL
- W4OZ, Dewitt C. Bailey, Tampa, FL
- W4PM, William Noble Smith, Hollywood, FL

- WA4QPS, Marion Gail Sanders, Melbourne, FL
- W4SID, Russell F. Ellis, Fairfax, VA
- W4TJ, Edward A. Koch, Boynton Beach, FL
- W4WXR, Otto G. Menn, West Palm Beach, FL
- WA5JNC, James T. Lawyer, Deming, NM
- W5JSW, Cleon E. Raymond, Shreveport, LA
- WASLPO, James N. Stephens, Jackson, MS
- WB5MKJ, Edith S. Henricks, Monroe, LA
- WASVKE, Raymond B. Griffin, Aubrey, TX
- W5TKN, Glenn C. Free, Moline, IL
- K5OYG, Alfred W. "Whit" Mustion, Tulsa, OK
- W6ARK, Clyde M. Gregory, Santa Rosa, CA
- K6AVP, Elmer J. Peck, Santa Clara, CA
- EX-6CNC, Harry J. Lyman, LaJolla, CA
- K6EYC, Robert G. Finley, San Anselmo, CA
- WA6HNZ, James R. McGrath, Sylmar, CA
- WA6KUS, Merle S. Gould, Van Nuys, CA
- W6LR, Noble G. "Pappy Dow" Dowdell, Santa Ana, CA
- W6PTS, Howard W. Hansen, Corte Madera, CA
- W6SU, Arch E. Ekdale, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA
- W6VMY, Frank J. Pacier, Saratoga, CA
- W6YAV, Norman C. Kruke, Ukiah, CA
- W7ALY, Bernard B. Albertson, Boise, ID
- *W7BQ, William R. Watson, Ellensburg, WA
- K7DCY, Richard U. Brown, Kimberly, ID
- W7AFDU, Milfred V. "Mit" Ball, The Dalles, OR
- W7JO, Burr A. McMahon, Reno, NV
- K7KIM, Joseph S. Ayers, Salem, OR
- W7MGN, Harland G. Hoyt, Graham, WA
- WA7TQA, Harold Stuart, Goodyear, AZ
- K7VUL, Harvey G. Solberg, Everett, WA
- K8BOB, Albert G. Bessel, Middletown, OH
- W8FYZ, Ensio Suhonen, Marquette, MI
- K8JAY, Raymond A. Lorant, Sr., Columbus,

- OH
- W8JD, Albert E. Gerth, Cincinnati, OH
- W8JX, Raymond J. Anderson, Midland, MI
- W8KJZ, Robert L. Vaughan, Akron, OH
- EX-9AAW, William Schweitzer, Kentonworth, IL
- W9ABP, E. Wayne Palmer, Ft. Wayne, IN
- W9CZZ, Merlin W. Richardson, Edgerton, WI
- W9FX, Wilson S. Smith, Rockford, IL
- W9TER, Osman Y. Starner, Effingham, IL
- W9LU, John L. Milster, Collinsville, IL
- W9MSX, James J. McNulty, Hillsboro, IL
- WA9PGG, LeRoy C. Marach, Chicago, IL
- W0AJT, Elmer J. Kregel, Garnaville, IA
- WB0AYN, Robert Wierimaa, Orr, MN
- W0HNG, Bert T. Weidner, Coffeyville, KS
- W0JXL, Charles H. Ihrig, Bloomington, MN
- K0KEO, Joe H. Roberts, Sr., Omaha, NE
- W0LUX, Paul M. Brom, Winona, MN
- WB0NBB, Lyle L. Lenth, Elgin, IA
- K0QQO, George S. Lovering, St. Paul, MN
- W0SWM, Earl E. Leonard, Colorado Springs, CO
- ZE1TX, Marcos Lazard Lederman, Mexico City, Mexico
- VE1AIF, Edgar R. Hartling, Dartmouth, NS
- VE1AUX, John D. Legatto, Sydney Mines, NS
- VK3AXU, C. A. Cullinan, Colac, Australia
- VE4AU, Leslie A. Sedore, Brandon, MB
- VE4OB, John Kuhny, Fijn Flon, MB
- VE4SH, Ben Tytko, Winnepeg, MB
- VE4TM E. H. "Ken" Hentschel, Cranberry Portage, MB
- OH9NI, Sigurd Mansnerus, Marehamn, Finland
- ZL3JC, A. B. Thornton, Christchurch, New Zealand
- ON4LJ, Jan Libot, West Vlaanderen, Belgium
- ON4OT, Urban Ost, Antwerpen, Belgium
- ON4RB, Antoine Vander, Antwerpen, Belgium
- *LFB Member

The World Above 50 MHz



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More on Polarization

Over the past few months we have been running guest editorials devoted to the optimum polarization for 2-meter use. Specifically addressed has been the question of whether or not the "weak signal" contingent, essentially those using ssb and cw, should adopt vertical polarization which is standard for the more local type of operation associated with fm. This month we present a view by Paul Rock, K4MSG, proposing a compromise approach which may offer advantages to both modes.

There can be no doubt in the mind of the average vhf enthusiast that acceptance of a common mode of polarization would greatly benefit the hobby. Long-time ssb and cw operators cling to horizontal; newcomers would have everyone switch to vertical. This author feels that the answer is a combination of the two, commonly called circular. Before examining this mode, however, let's look at some reasons *not* to use the other two.

Horizontal polarization has been the "bread and butter" of vhf since the '30s. [E. P. Tilton in last month's editorial points out a varying history of vhf polarization. — Ed.] What vhf'er has not marveled in awe at an 80-element collinear or four stacked long Yagis sitting atop a 100-foot stick? Yet, there are disadvantages. No path, except a relatively short line-of-sight path, is free of obstructions. Obstructions cause reflections, and reflections cause polarization shift of the wave. The end result is that the received wave is probably not the same polarization as that

transmitted, nor can it even be predicted what the actual polarization will be at any instant in time. If the wave arrives shifted 90 degrees, the loss can be as much as 20 dB. Since the amount of shift is a variable with time, it is obvious that such polarization shifting accounts for much of the fading encountered on long direct paths.¹

Vertical polarization suffers from the same syndrome as horizontal. In addition, vertically polarized waves suffer greater path attenuation than horizontal waves, particularly from trees (which are usually vertical) and other obstructions, and the degree of attenuation increases with increasing frequency. Finally, most man-made noise is vertically polarized, and thus vertical polarization provides the poorest signal-to-noise ratio. This is the very reason why horizontal polarization was chosen as the standard for commercial television in the U.S.

Now, to circular: There is an automatic 3-dB loss associated with a circularly polarized antenna receiving a linearly polarized wave, or vice-versa, *but* the loss is constant. A linear wave can arrive at any polarization angle, and the loss will remain 3 dB. The wave can shift with time, yet *no fading* will be apparent, unless, of course, the path attenuation increases, thereby causing a reduction in the total energy arriving at the receiving point. When a circularly polarized antenna is used for transmitting, and a linear (horizontal, vertical or anything in between) receiving antenna is used, the loss will likewise be a

constant 3 dB. The circular wave may undergo reflections and instantaneous polarization shifts along the path, but the net energy at the antenna remains the same.

Ideally, of course, the circular configuration should be used for both receive and transmit. The techniques of construction are quite well-established, using crossed Yagis offset a quarter wavelength, or with phasing lines, etc.² As a standard practice, some convention must be chosen with regard to whether we shall all use right-hand (clockwise) or left-hand (anticlockwise) circular, as there is a 30-dB loss factor between the two. This author favors right-hand (clockwise) as the standard.

One final note: G3JVQ/DJ0BQ has suggested using circular polarization for repeaters, with either right-hand or left-hand for transmit and the opposite for receive. This would add 30 dB of isolation between transmit and receive (input and output), and both would work equally well with either horizontal or vertical antennas at the user end, i.e., mobile or fixed station.³

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THE VOYAGE OF N6NB/UT, NV, WV, VT, CT, RI, DE

That intrepid portable operator N6NB (new call for K6YNB) was at it again during the summer of '77. Although his moonbounce efforts were not met with as much success as in last year's trek to AK, Wayne more than made up for it with first-rate tropo efforts on all bands from 6 meters through 23 cm. And, he made good on a long-time ambition to do some mountaintopping from the East Coast and to take part in the kind of tropo which this part of the country has to offer. While set up on Spruce Knob, WV, N6NB/8 provided the state for many needing it on 2 meters, 1-1/4 meters and 70 cm. Altogether some 200 stations were worked from this location. The 2-meter band sounded as if it were a contest weekend. One week later from Mount Equinox, VT, Wayne did it all over again. The signal on 2 meters was like nothing this conductor has ever heard from that location. Another 200 contacts went into the N6NB log. From RI the effort was principally 2 meter EME, and contacts with W6PO and WA7KYZ resulted, giving these fellows a very hard-to-get state. But Wayne couldn't resist trying that coastal tropo, so by Friday, August 12, he was at it on that mode. Luck

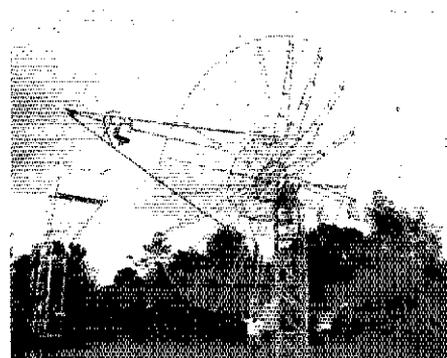
was with him as he hit one of the best east/west tropo sessions in quite some time and worked as far west as 0 land. In his last stand in the east, N6NB showed up in DE especially to provide the state to some of the Pack Rats who needed it on 23 cm.

Wayne and Donna, WB6IDK, are to be congratulated on a great effort. They overcame equipment failures, vehicle difficulties, cold, heat, fog, rain, you name it, to provide new states and lots of fun for many. Once again, the vhf fraternity is indebted to the Northern CA DX Foundation for helping support the N6NB expedition.

Where will it be next year, Wayne?

ON THE BANDS

6 Meters — What can only be called the "Super Es Season" continued through July and on into August. If there was any part of the U.S. which did not fully share in the excellent conditions earlier in the summer, it was the northwestern corner of the country. This was largely made up for during the latter part of July and early August. The evening of August 3/4 is a good example with a fine opening from that part of the country to the East Coast. Stations worked by this conductor included W7NFC, WA7UPS, K7EZP and WA7RTA all OR as well as K7DBR, W7GRH, WB7PMP and K7GGJ in WA. WA7RTA in-



Responsible for the current rash of 70-cm WACs, ZE5JJ and his tully steerable 32-foot dish.

formed me that he had QSOed VO2AG a few minutes before. Another example of 1977 long skip! Although not as well favored as those in southern CA, the Pacific Northwest did get in on a few of the JA openings. K7VNU in Sequim, WA, west of Seattle, contacted JA7QVI at 2210 UTC, July 9. John says that, like those JA openings reported to the south, signals were very weak. Other

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stations were heard but could not be pulled out of the pileup. WB6VIN believes the skip conditions to Japan are not as unusual as many of us think. Carl feels that similar weak openings may have been present during other years but passed unnoticed. Next year may shed some light on this. You can bet that there will be a lot of people at both ends of the path listening very closely.

A letter from W2BN provides the tally on his operation from C6A over the weekend of the June VHF QSO Party. During the contest Dave made 372 contacts in 50 sections. Altogether, he worked 802 different stations while on Grand Bahama. Quite a record. Incidentally, Dave reports that on July 8 about noon local time, from the home QTH, he heard what seemed to be a beacon signing A35BC. Signals peaked S9 for a short time. The day before at 2252 he received a station signing A8QX. Beam heading on that one was about 75 degrees.

Many stations in various parts of the country picked up KH6 this summer, but conditions did not seem to favor openings to KL7 to the same extent. There is hope, however, in the form of KL7IFP in Ketchikan. John is refurbishing a Johnson Thunderbolt which will give him a kW on both 6 and 2. You can bet that a lot of WAS-hungry 6-meter men will be gunning for you next season, John.

A wdd piece of DX news is excerpted from the vhf column published monthly in *Amateur Radio*, the organ of the Wireless Institute of Australia. It states that on March 3, 1977, a station signing WB9AK7 was heard in VK3. Does anyone have log entries which might shed some light on this one?

The WA5IYX report for July shows conditions somewhat down from June with the band open in San Antonio during 28 days as opposed to 29 for a total of 8490 hours of Es as opposed to 11,660 the previous month. The number of hours in which Pat observed TV DX with no amateur 6-meter signals heard went from 2,580 in June to 4,680 in July. He attributes this either to the Es favoring areas sparsely populated by amateurs or people believing that the band doesn't open much in July.

This was quite a season! Distances covered via Es were unprecedented. The WAS tally now stands at 170, an increase of 18 over the number listed in the May column. Another measure is the number of 600 Club awards issued. This stands at 64 and the award was made available only last January. This is not an easy award to get so its possession signifies both good operating and fine conditions.

2 Meters - As on 6 meters, the 2-meter Es season lasted through July and into August. July 12/13 was one of the better days. WB0YSG in Harvard in central NE reports working 22 East Coast stations in NH, CT, NY, NJ and PA. Another report on this opening comes from W2BLV in southern NJ. George lists stations in TX, OK, NE, IA and MN. He also mentions a fine tropo session which took place the night of July 14/15 with six VE3s heard or worked along with many stations in OH and MI. July 29/30 produced another good Es session which appeared to be best in the southern part of the country although one station here in the Washington area, WA4GVE, was able to work some TX stations. K7UOD/5 in San Antonio along with W5VY, W5HBI and W5RCW of the same area worked a dozen or so stations in VA, NC and SC. South FL stations including WA4JID and WA4OWC were having a field day working into TX and OK. But Es skip was not through yet. August 3/4 brought a pretty good opening from the East Coast to the Midwest. Your conductor caught his first Es session after missing all the rest this season due to travel. WB0ULX and W0SD both SD along with K0WLU MN, K0DAS and N0AN IA along with K9UYK IL were nabbed. Other local stations had similar results while to the north of here, the more southerly midwestern stations were being worked. One notable accomplishment coming out of this opening was a contact between K5CM OK and K1BKK VT for K5CM's 48th contiguous state on 2 meters. Connie's neighbor K5SW came up with VE3FN Ottawa, W1YTW ME, W1JSM NH, K1FO (new call for WA1FO) CT as well as K1BKK. All in all, a tremendous session for so late in the season.

EME Annals

Figures are number of different stations worked, number of U.S. states and number of countries.

6 Meters		W1JR		1 1 1	
K5WVX ¹	2	2	1	1	0
WASHNK ²	2	2	1	1	0
WB6NMT	2	2	1	1	0
W7FN	1	1	1	1	0
¹ combined effort of W5WAX and K5WVX					
² combined effort of W55XD and WASHNK					
2 Meters		W1JR		1 1 1	
K1WHS	62	27	10	1	1
WA7KYZ	45	29	8	1	1
SM7BAE	40	16	8	1	1
WA7BJU	34	27	2	1	1
K2RTH	33	19	6	1	1
WA2BIT	29	17	7	1	1
W7FN	28	17	5	1	1
VE2DFO	27	14	5	1	1
W4DFK	23	14	6	1	1
K6YNB/KL7	16	13	1	1	1
K7NII	16	13	1	1	1
K6QEJ	13	7	4	1	1
W8WN	14	9	3	1	1
WA4GPM	14	8	3	1	1
K5MB	12	7	3	1	1
YK5MC	11	7	4	1	1
WA9DOT	11	7	3	1	1
W2AZL	10	7	3	1	1
K4IXC	10	7	3	1	1
K0MQS	10	5	5	1	1
W4MVI	9	5	2	1	1
W7RUC	8	8	1	1	1
W5FF	7	6	1	1	1
KP4DJN	7	4	4	1	1
WA6UAM	7	2	2	1	1
K6MYC	7	1	1	1	1
K5VWV	6	5	3	1	1
K1FO	6	2	5	1	1
VE7BQH	6	2	5	1	1
SM6CKU	5	4	3	1	1
WA7BBM	5	4	2	1	1
WB5LUA	4	4	1	1	1
W3BHG	4	4	1	1	1
K3AP	4	3	1	1	1
N9JA	4	3	1	1	1
N6NB/J	3	2	1	1	1
W1FZA	2	2	1	1	1
K5FF	2	2	1	1	1
W6DNG*	2	0	1	1	1
OH1NL*	1	1	1	1	1
W1RX	1	1	1	1	1
W1WX	1	0	1	1	1
1-1/4 Meters		W8NMT*	3	3	1
W8NMT*	3	3	1	1	1
W8NMT*	1	1	1	1	1
K2CBA	1	1	1	1	1
70 Cm		K2UYH†	57	24	16
K2UYH†	57	24	16	1	1
W0YZS†	34	18	12	1	1
VE7BBG†	30	17	9	1	1
F9FT	30	9	15	1	1
W1JR†	26	10	14	1	1
W4WD†	26	10	13	1	1
I5MSHT	25	14	6	1	1
K0TLM†	23	13	10	1	1
K3N5S†	22	10	10	1	1
VK2ALU	18	9	8	1	1
PA855B	18	—	10	1	1
WB5LUA	15	9	6	1	1
FY7AS	13	2	11	1	1
W3CCX†	12	5	7	1	1
W0OQI	10	7	3	1	1
W4NU5	9	6	5	1	1
WA2VWL	6	6	2	1	1
KH8BK	6	2	3	1	1
W4EJ	3	3	1	1	1
K1WHS	3	2	1	1	1
W1BU*	1	1	1	1	1
W2UK/KH6*	1	1	1	1	1
23 Cm		W1BU*	4	2	4
W1BU*	4	2	4	1	1
W2NFA	4	2	3	1	1
PA855B	4	2	3	1	1
WB6IOM	2	2	2	1	1
G3LTF	2	2	2	1	1
H89RG	2	2	1	1	1
W5HE†	1	1	1	1	1
KH8BK	1	1	1	1	1
W1FZJ/KP4	1	1	1	1	1
13 Cm		W3GKP*	1	1	1
W3GKP*	1	1	1	1	1
W4HHK*	1	1	1	1	1
† indicates participation in first EME QSO on particular band					
* indicates WAC					

Es wasn't the only game in town for 2-meter devotees. July 28/29 produced a fair aurora for stations located somewhat to the north of Washington. W2AZL reports working a string of 9s but nothing farther west.

The Perseids, the champion of meteor showers for vhf men, received mixed reviews for this year. W2AZL termed it as "quite good" while WA4MVI citing the short bursts thought it only fair at his location. Just the same his string of stations worked is impressive. Jim snagged W2AZL NJ, K1ABR RI, W1XZ CT, K1BKK VT, WA0QLP SD, WB0IUT NE, WB0HBN ND and VE3FKX for two new states. Quite a haul for a "fair" shower. Jim. The Aquarids, which preceded the Perseids also produced results for W2AZL. On this one Carl managed QSOs with WA9WHJ IL, K0DAS IA and N0JA (new call for WA0CHK) MO. He also completed with about 20 stations during the Perseids.

Another enthusiastic 2-meter operator has arrived via the OSCAR users route. He is K0RI/4 of Albany, GA. During the Perseids, Lou made the grade with WA3LND in MD and that merely whet his appetite for more. Lou needs almost all states and is desirous of schedules. He can be reached at 912-436-4925.

W0LER found the Perseids "better than last year but still not super." Nevertheless, John got a new state out of it, number 46, in the form of K7KOT WA. He also had a QSO with K2OVS who was running a little over 100 watts output from one of the new solid-state amplifiers. Apparently, Jay had quite a good m.s. signal. W0LER urges other stations with moderate power to try meteors. They might be surprised at what they can work.

1-1/4 Meters - M.s. activity is not confined to 2 meters. Contacts are made on 1-1/4 meters and even on 70 cm. K7NII near Phoenix is one vhf man who is putting his major effort into the 1-1/4-meter band. Therefore, Tom set up Perseids schedules with W7JF MT and W5HN TX and made contacts with both of them. This brings K7NII's state total to six, not bad for being located out in the middle of AZ! Another avid vhf man who is giving 1-1/4

a try is K9OXY in Hudson, WI. Chuck has a homebrew transverter going which puts out 8 watts to a 20-element collinear. With this setup he has worked K9UYK in IL over a 265-mile path. Cw was used on a frequency of 220.05 MHz.

Numerous letters from around the country tell of increasing fm activity on 1-1/4 meters. One such letter from WB0IJJ in Springfield, MO, lists the calls of 10 stations active on 223.5-MHz simplex in that area. Construction of a repeater is being considered.

70 Cm - Converts continue to be attracted to 70-cm EME. According to the K2UYH/VE7BBG 432 EME Newsletter, long-time vhf'er K6ODV is one. Ed is putting the finishing touches on an array of 16 Yagis and has a KW final going. A new station which should stir up considerable interest is KH6IHP. Steve should have his 8-element Yagi array up and working by the time this appears. K1WHS, of 2-meter EME fame, is another new 70-cm moonbouncer. From France, it is reported that a group at the Radio Club of Evry are working on an array of sixty-four 21-element F9FT Yagis. That should allow F6KEK to make a name for itself.

ZESJJ reports experiencing QRM on several of his schedules on 432.000. The trouble apparently comes from other EME stations who cannot hear him probably due to Faraday rotation. Those with fixed polarization are particularly apt to be in a position to put in a signal at another location when they are not able to hear anything. Naturally, the converse is true also. K3LFO reporting for K3NSS says that the group's new G1.6942 amplifier seems to be working FB. July brought them QSOs with W0YZS, K0TLM, K9ZGT, F9FT, ZESJJ, YV5ZZ and K2UYH. The last contact was on ssb. Jim says that the new antenna at YV5ZZ is giving a good account of itself so Edgar should be handing out QSOs at a good clip by the time this appears in print. K3LFO does sound one note of alarm. He says that K3NSS has been hampered in its moonbounce operations on some occasions by nearby stations working terrestrially between 432.0 and 432.020. Jim expresses wholehearted support for the custom employed in TX and OK of using 432.1 for tropo and other local-type work.

Speaking of tropo, W0YZS reports a good session the night of August 12. From his Q1H in the Kansas City area, Mike was able to work K8AT (new call for W8KPY), W8NRM, WA8TXV OH; W8JWN and WA8VPD MI, W3RUE near Pittsburgh, PA and K2CBA near Troy, NY, as well as IL stations W9YFF and WB9SNR. W0YZS still needs TN and is particularly looking for a station in the Memphis area. Any takers? Other 70-cm terrestrial news is passed along via the OVS report of WA1EHF. Dennis notes a good tropo opening along the East Coast the night of July 11/12 with many 3rd-district stations coming in S9 at his Bridgeport, CT, QTH. He also mentions that K1PXE is one of the stalwart 70-cm operators. Pete can be heard almost every evening looking for contacts. K1WHS of ME mentions holding regular schedules with WA4GPM in Norfolk, VA and making it about 75 percent of the time, despite a power of only about 100 watts on the southern end of the circuit.

23 Cm and Down - It's no wonder that so much of our 23-cm news comes from CA with dedicated people like K6ZMW around. Joe writes that he now has a pair of water-cooled 7289s (the WB6IOM design) delivering 200 watts. With this setup he is able to regularly work K6UQH, WB6MYC, W6CHV and WA6UAP all in the Bay area, a distance of about 100 miles from his QTH in Jackson. In the San Joaquin Valley are W6KOC at 125 miles and WA6NRV at 160 miles who are also regularly workable. Joe plans to start scheduling N6CA (new call for WA6GUY) in the L.A. area soon. This is a path of about 325 miles. Good luck fellows.

Our 3-cm band is beginning to be a factor in the world above 50 MHz thanks to the availability of the Microwave Associates Gunnplexer. According to the *Northeast VHF News*, W1JR, during the June VHF QSO Party, contacted six stations using one of these units. It may not be long before any self-respecting contest station will have to be equipped for 3 cm in order to be competitive!

Public Service

Conducted By Robert J. Halprin,* K1XA

QRM Call

In response to the disastrous La Mesa fire, New Mexico Senator Peter Domenici characterized amateur radio's public service record as follows, quoted from the Congressional Record, July 21, 1977:

"Mr. President, countless times American citizens have been the recipients of assistance during times of emergency and crisis by the selfless, dedicated amateur radio operator. At a time when our newspapers and television screens are filled with stories of man's inhumanity to man, and we scramble for examples of genuine compassion for our fellow citizen, it is always refreshing to find another instance when the men and women of America rise to meet the challenge of a natural disaster.

"Such a case arose several weeks ago when the costly La Mesa fire near Los Alamos, NM, destroyed thousands of acres of land and timber, and threatened residential areas in and around Los Alamos. I would like to bring to the attention of my colleagues portions of a recent letter received from Mr. Barry S. Newberger (WSKH), a member of the Los

Alamos Amateur Radio Club, concerning the club's response to the plea for assistance during the eight days of this catastrophic disaster:

"In the spirit of the Communications Act of 1934 and the FCC's test of public interest, convenience and necessity which all radio services must meet, we wish to call your attention to the communications service provided by the Los Alamos Amateur Radio Club through its station WSPDO and repeaters WR5AFP, WRSARO and WR5AEQ (the last three belonging to the Santa Fe VHF Society, Jemez Mountain Repeater Association and the Caravan Club of Albuquerque, respectively).

"For over eight days, the club and its volunteer members and friends provided continuous round-the-clock communications service for all the agencies involved in the emergency. The agencies served included the U.S. Forest Service, weather service and the military. All the Forest Service administrative traffic was handled through the radio club, including 145 pieces of priority traffic. In addition, approximately 565 health-and-

welfare phone patches were handled for the firefighters, many of whom had come from California, Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Montana and South Dakota and other states. These men and women, in not a few instances, had to leave pressing personal problems at home to help fight the fire and many would have found it difficult to resolve them without our phone-patch service.

"We were told by many of the firefighters that they had never before had such a service provided for them and were given a substantial boost in morale for having it.

"In all, 55 people were involved for a total of nearly 1900 man hours, using their own personal equipment."

"I am certain my colleagues will join with me in commending the Los Alamos Amateur Radio Club and the many volunteers who provided this valuable and urgently needed assistance. We are, indeed, fortunate to have this body of competent, disciplined and dedicated amateur radio operators in times of distress. Our heartfelt thanks go out to all who responded to the call for help."

PUBLIC SERVICE DIARY

□ Denver, CO - February 15. EC WB0NTQ mobilized members of the Castle Rock Repeater Group after a plane was reported down. They readied a command post although the plane was found within an hour. (W0SIN)

□ Spring Valley, CA - May 3. Pacemaker-wearer W6KBD relayed between a doctor at San Diego Naval Hospital and W6PSD who was transporting his wife because of a pacemaker malfunction and imminent heart failure. Upon arrival the equipment was ready. Her condition was eventually stabilized. (W6PSD)

□ Southern FL - May 16. During a four-hour power outage about 45 ARES stations participated in the Dade Emergency Net. When the battery supply on the repeater diminished, they switched to simplex. (Florida Skip)

□ Rockport, IN - May 24. At the mayor's request, hams provided communications for the local c.d. rescue squad during recovery of a drowned man. (W4OYI)

□ Owensboro, KY - May 31. Local and regional weather nets were activated during a tornado warning. Several touchdowns and power outages were observed, but only minor damage resulted. (W4OYI)

□ Knox Co., OH - May 31. June 18 and 30. Severe-weather watches were handled by the Knox Co. ARES for NWS through the Richland Co. MASER Net facility. On the first date high winds and hail disrupted telephone and power service including the Sheriff's Department, while the net went to their own backup generator. (WB8AYM, EC Knox Co.)

□ Swan Island - June 12-13. Immediate medical attention was required for a NWS employee with a multi-fractured leg. After medical consultation, HR6SWA was patched by WB4BLX to the Overseas Weather Bureau for contact with USAF retiree W4RFA, an air-evacuation expert. They successfully coordinated the transfer, which used a smudge

pot- and headlight-illuminated grass runway. (W4RFA)

□ Sierra Vista, AZ - June 18-22. Deep in Carr Canyon of the Huachacha Mountains, members of the Cochise Amateur Radio FM Association were the only available communicators during a 9,000-acre fire. Tactical and logistics traffic was handled for the Forestry Service and Sheriff's Department. (K7NKS)

□ Mt. Rainier, WA - June 17. ARES members set up links for the Aberdeen Explorer Scouts Search and Rescue to communications centers in Tacoma and Seattle during a missing-hiker search. Within a day the victim was found. (K7CYZ)

□ San Vicente, Baja California - June 24. Just after the Flying Samaritan Net closed, XE1ZQ/2 reported a fatal auto accident. W6HCD contacted the Policia de Caminos in Ensenada and stayed on frequency with other stations until officials arrived in the remote village three-and-one-half hours later. (W6HCD)

□ Birmingham, AL - June 26-27. Less than a week after the city's ARES and ARC concluded an agreement with NWS, severe storms hit the area. Although the wide-coverage repeater was knocked out, other repeaters, Alabama Emergency Net M and Georgia Sideband Net were effectively used to provide the weather service with fast, accurate information. (WB4CXD, EC Jefferson Co.)

□ Fremont, OH - June 30. Extensive damage took place after a tornado touched down. Amateurs supplied liaison between police and Red Cross. Other hams in and around the area supplied emergency gear. (K8HHB)

□ Mt. Rainier, WA - July 3-6. In near-blizzard conditions, WA7AYB and WA7PIN accompanied the Explorers Search and Rescue on a mission. The Pierce Co. ARES conducted liaison to ESAR hq. in Tacoma, though no trace was found of the hiker. (WA7RWK, EC Pierce Co.)

□ Crabtree Falls, VA - July 3. While picnicking, WB4AYE, WD4DSU, WA4WIJ and WB4MDC learned of a lost hiker and established an improvised vhf net. They accompanied a Nelson Co. deputy sheriff and

searchers, providing information to the rescue units, until after the injured man was brought out. (WB4MDC, EC Lynchburg)

□ New York, NY - July 13. After the power outage across the metropolitan area, amateurs backed up police with much-needed communications and generators and even accompanied patrol units. Further details will appear in an upcoming issue.

□ Pacific Ocean - July 15. On the Pacific Maritime Net, VK4AEM coordinated reports from A35CH to notify USCG in Long Beach, CA, of an overdue yacht. It was located safely the next day. Assisting were 5W1AU and W6SYQ. (WB6YID)

□ Marquesas Island - July 17. A round table picked up a medical emergency call from T18RJ/R3. WA6QFV/R3 and T17WYM/R3 contacted a doctor in the islands, who advised treatment until the boat could reach port. (WB6YID)

□ Caribbean Ocean - July 17. While operating the Georgia Tech station, exchange student DF3TJ/WD4CPK intercepted an early morning distress call from a Panamanian freighter and reported it to the local FCC monitoring station. Soon, and throughout the day, Coast Guard stations all along the East Coast came on the 20-meter frequency. Several times amateurs relayed the weak messages until nearly sunset when the crew was sighted on a makeshift raft after the vessel went down. (WD4CPK)

□ Johnstown, PA - July 21. Amateurs in the area and around the region responded to the surprise flood with various hf and vhf nets. Details will follow in a future issue.

□ Los Padres National Forest, CA - August. Over 250 amateurs, led by Santa Clara Valley SEC WB6IZF, provided essential communications for the 3000 firefighters at the scene of the massive blaze in the Big Sur area of central California. The hams were called in by the U.S. Forestry Service on August 2. They were a vital factor in keeping supplies and transportation moving, and in augmenting regular emergency communications channels. More than 70,000 acres were claimed by the blaze in the first week alone. A complete

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report will appear in a future QST. (W1RU)

□ **Repeater Log.** According to reports received to date, repeaters were used to report 84 auto accidents and related occurrences, seven fires and four suspicious persons. Repeaters involved were WR3AIZ, WR4AWG, WR5s AEK AHN ABY AJG ABA ABE ADP, WR6ADQ, WR7s AEL and ACA, WR9ABY.

□ For the month of July, 34 SEC reports were received, showing a total AREC membership of 12,763. Last year at this time 32 reports were submitted, with a total membership of 10,961. Sections reporting were Alta, Ariz, Ark, Colo, Conn, Del, ENY, EMass, Ga, Ind, Kans, Me, MDC, Mich, Mo, Mont, NLI, NC, NFla, NNJ, Ohio, Okla, Ont, Org, Ore, SDgo, SJV, Sask, SFla, SNJ, Utah, Va, WV, WMass.

NATIONAL TRAFFIC SYSTEM

The First Region continues to submit one report for all activities and the Second Region managers have followed suit. Who's next? NTS circuits handled a large amount of traffic relative to the Johnstown, PA, flood disaster. W0NUB is now CAN-D assistant manager. K0CVD has moved to the Big Apple and a new job; K0EVH has been appointed his successor as TEN manager. W5PNY reports that July was a record low for traffic and representation on TWN-D. EAN-D had its best month for representation since December 1976. Who's Who, continued: N4KB (WSRE), N6PZ (WB6ODU), N7RC (W7KWT), W7GM (W7GYF), W7UV (WA7VTM), N7DH (WA0KKR/7), N0GW (WB0NXX), K0BN (K0OTH), W0FV (W0KLE), N2RD (W2GAM), W2SQ (WA2DSA). The following received CAN-D certificates: WA4EUD WB4EKJ WA4TXM W4KLV W5SHN WB5LXK WB5NKC WB5NN WB8DKQ W9H0T WB9SKA WA0AUX WB0HOX W0MEO W0NUB WB0NXX WB9OQJ/0 WB0YSG WB9UAB N5YL RN7 certificates went to W7AIB W7APS W7DAN W7GB W7DXZ W7GIP W7GHT W7KZ W7LG W7LLM W7ZIW K7CHY W7GXZ K7IFG K7IWD K7OUE K7OZA K7QFG K7VM WA7BDD WA7OJI WA7TXV N7AJ N7AM N7DH N7RC WB7AIX WB7AVB VE7DDL VE7DFY VE7OM VE7ZK.

July Reports

(evening sessions)
(daytime sessions)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
EAN 31	1722	55.5	1.271	96.7		
EAN 62	1020	16.4	.622	91.9		
CAN 31	1066	34.4	.758	99.5		
CAN 59	331	5.6	.205	92.3		
PAN 31	1138	36.7	.996	99.4		
PAN 31	539	17.3	.370	94.0		
1RN 88	730	8.3	.411	94.0		
2RN 124	836	6.7	.514	90.4	93.5	
3RN 62	348	5.6	.423	97.3	96.7	
3RN					100.0	
4RN 61	432	7.1	.322	70.9	100.0	
4RN 62	396	6.3	.314	66.7	100.0	
RN5 62	645	10.4	.381	91.5	100.0	
RN5 31	284	9.1	.316	88.7	91.9	
RN6 62	627	10.1	.483	100.0	100.0	
RN6 31	176	5.6	.208	84.1	100.0	
RN7 62	496	8.0	.584	92.8	100.0	
RN7 62	198	3.1	.200	53.2	96.7	
8RN 53	323	6.0	.348	76.3	90.3	
8RN 30	162	5.4	.630	84.9	100.0	
9RN 62	530	8.5	.389	93.1	100.0	
9RN 29	100	3.4	.408	68.5	87.0	
TEN 61	352	5.7	.299	73.4	98.3	93.5
TEN					93.5	
ECN 60	619	10.3	.665	89.8	96.7	
TWN 62	509	8.2	.362	97.7	98.3	
TWN 11	22	2.0	.118	20.0	83.8	
TCC 108 ¹	701					
Eastern						
TCC 77 ¹	485					
Central						
TCC 100 ¹	713					
Pacific						
Sections ²						
4490	17095	3.8				
Summary	5810	30696	5.3			
Record	5386	27143	15.2			

¹ TCC functions not counted as net sessions.
² Section and local nets reporting (127): BCEN (BC), APN (Mar/NFID), MTN (MB), ODN OPN (ON), WQV/UHF (PQ), SATN

(SK), AENB AEND AENJ AENM AENW SENS (AL), ASN (AK), ATEN HARC (AZ), AMBN ARN (AR), NCN NEN SCN (CA), HNN (CO), CN CPN NVTN (CT), DEPN DTN (DE), FAST FMTN FPTN QFN QFN5 TPTN (FL), CVEN GARES G5SBN (GA), IMN MTN (ID, MT), ILN (IL), ICN ITN (IN), I75MN TLCN (IA), KPN K5BN KWN QKS (KS), KNTN KSN KYN MKPN (KY), LAN LRN LSN LTN (LA), SGN PTVN (ME), MDCTN MDD (MD), EMRI EMRIPN NENN WMN (MA), HEN MACS MNN MWN QMN WBSN (MI), MSN MSPN MSSN PAW (MN), MTN (MS), MOSSBN (MO), NHTVN (NH, VT), NJN NJPN (NJ), SWN (NM), NLI NLIPN WDN (NY), CNN NCSSBN SCSSBN THEN (NC, SC), BN OSN OSSBN (OH), OAN OFON OLZ OPEN OTWN STN (OK), B5N OSN WCN (OR), EPAEP&TN WPA WPAP&TN (PA), ETTMN TNN TPN (TN), BEN TTN TEX (TX), UCN (UT), VFN VN VSN V5BN (VA), WVN WVPN (WV), BEN BWN WIN WNN WRN WBSN WSSN (WI).

1 - NET	5 - RATE
2 - SESSIONS	6 - % REP.
3 - TRAFFIC	7 - % REP.
4 - AVG.	AREA NET

Transcontinental Corps

1	2	3	4	5
Eastern	124	87.1	1987	701
Central	93	82.7	938	485
Pacific	124	80.7	1456	713
Summary	341	83.5	4381	1899

1 - AREA	4 - TRAFFIC
2 - FUNCTIONS	5 - OUT-OF-NET
3 - % SUCCESSFUL	TRAFFIC

TCC Roster

The TCC Roster (July): Eastern Area (W2FR, Dir.) - W1s NJM QYY, K1s BA EIR GN S5H XA, WA1FCM, W2s CS FR GKZ RQ, K2HI/VE2, WA2s ICB KCW/1, WB2ASD, K3s KW PA, WA3VBM, WA4U, K4KPN, W8s LTA PMJ, K8KMQ, WB8KKI, VE1AAO, VE3s GOL SB, Central Area (W5GHP, Dir.) - N4s DY MD, WB4SKI, W5s GHP MI RB, K5s GM TTC, N5YL, WA5s ANN IQU, W9s CXY DND FC NXG, N9TN, W0s HM HI QMY, K0EVH, N0IN, WA0TNN, Pacific Area (K5MAT, Dir.) - W5KH, K5MAT, N6GW, W6s EOT MLF OZ VZT ZRJ, K6HW, W7s DX EP GHT, K7IWD, N0IA, W9s ETT FG FV IJ LQ, K0s BN TER, WB0s QOT TAQ, VE7ZK.

Independent Nets (July)

1	2	3	4
Amateur Radio Telegraph Society	30	498	477
Clearing House	30	368	540
Hit & Bounce	62	1006	456
Hit & Bounce Slow	19	351	90
IMRA	26	374	927
North American SSB	25	306	219
North American Traffic and Awards	31	14	482
Washington Region PON	18	44	243
20 Meter I5SB	26	445	427
75 Meter I5SB	31	590	985
7290 Traffic	40	348	1827

1 - NET	3 - TRAFFIC
2 - SESSIONS	4 - CHECK-INS

Public Service Honor Roll July 1977

This listing is available to amateurs whose public service performance during the month indicated qualifies for 40 or more total points in the following nine categories (as reported to their SCM). Please note maximum points for each category: (1) Checking into cw nets, 1 point each, max. 10; (2) Checking into phone/RTTY nets, 1 point each, max. 10; (3) NCS cw nets, 3 points each, max. 12; (4) NCS phone/RTTY nets, 3 points each, max. 12; (5) Performing assigned liaison, 3 points each, max. 12; (6) Phone patches, 1 point each, max. 20; (7) Making BPL, 3 points regardless of traffic total; (8) Handling emergency traffic directly with a disaster area, 1 point each message; (9) Serving as net manager for entire month, 5 points. This listing is available to Novices and Technicians who achieve a total of 20 or more points.

69	WB8VLR	WB6PVH	WB5OYU
K4BKX	WB8YDZ	K0EVH	WB8AVY
68	VE7DKY	W0FT	WB8VPV
WA4JDH	54	WA0TNN	WD9AUD
66	WB2ASD	VE1ACU	W9GGW
WA1ZAZ	WB5NKC	48	W9NXG
WB0HOX	WA5YEA	W2YJR	W0JTW
64	53	WA3HGX/2	WB0QOT
WB2EMU	WA1YWK	47	W0RFF
63	WA2AYY	WA3WPY	VE1AAO
WB3ETD/4	WA2ERT/1	WA4PSL	VE1AMR
61	WB4HTP	N5TC	VE1HJ
WA2ECO	WB4QBB	WB7AAK	VE1IG
WB4DBK	WB5NEZ	46	VE1ZH
K4ZN	WB8WTS	43	43
W6RFF	52	K1DFS	WA1TBY
WA7MEL	W2JI	WB3EDX	W2CS
WB8JGW	WA3VBM	WA4OZT	WB2HVB
59	WA4EPJ	WB8III	N6GW
WB2IDP	W7GHT	45	42
WB4ARJ	51	WB2VTT	W1DMS
W4OGG	K5OWK	WA4FKE	WA3PZO
W5KLV	50	W4FMN	WB5MTQ
WA6UAZ	WB1VR	W4MEE	W9UW
58	N3KZ	WB5PVL	W0OYH
W7VSE	W5GHP	WA5VBM	41
56	WB5GVO	44	WB2RMK
K1BA	VE3GOL	WA1POJ	K3ORW
WA1FCM	49	W1TN	WA4TXM
WA1VGP	W1RWG	WA1VQR	WB5OSN
W2MLC	K3YHR	W2ZQ	WA9QCF
N4WA	WB4AID	WA3NOQ	40
W6RNL	WB4GHU	W3PG	WA4KSO
WB0HBM	K4NAN	WA3PRW	WB4TEK
WB0VHN	WA4OEM	WB4EKJ	WA6VBS
VE3GT	K5MAT	K4EV	K8YL
55	WB5NKD	WB4NJU	WA9GBW
N5YL	WB6FTY	N4SS	22
		WA5RKU	WA4QGV/T
		K5MC	WB9YMF/N

Brass Pounders League July 1977

BPL Medallion (see December 1973 QST, p. 59) has been awarded to the following amateurs since last month's listings: W2YJR, WA4EPJ, WA4WBM.

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 of originations 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.

Winners of BPL Certificates for July Traffic

1	2	3	4	5	6
W3CUL	622	1676	1939	131	4368
K3NSN	950	1350	950	400	3650
W0WYX	52	858	351	507	1768
WA3VBM	91	468	428	123	1110
W3VR	342	263	429	14	1048
K0YFK		488		488	976
WA4JDH		451	427	2	880
W3CVE	179	275	216	150	820
K0ZSQ	1	386	1	386	774
N3KZ	21	380	349	31	771
WB8DKQ		389	355	2	746
W2ZQ	51	294	293	52	690
WA0AUX	79	197	396	3	675
WB2IDP	1	334	308	29	672
VE1IG	16	294	15	45	670
W5KLV		375	279	8	662
K9CPM		393	58	200	651
W4MEE	3	316	297	5	621
VE1AKL	1	298	298		596
WB2EMU	2	319	249	23	593
W2YJR	8	279	251	38	576
W5GHP	88	284	180	6	558
WB4ARJ		257	287		544
W3ATJ	164	102	164	102	532
VE3GOL	26	224	261	11	522
WB0HOX	15	245	240	11	511
K3KW	4	214	250	41	509
VE3SB		233	226	47	506
WA3WQP	21	220	250	14	505
K0ONK (June)	1	674	142	12	829

Multioperator stations

CG1CR	1191	279	1191	279	2940
WA3PZO	30	846	773	27	1676

BPL for 100 or more originations-plus-deliveries

WA2AYY	293	WA5VBM	123
WA3ATQ	235	WA4TXM	111
W3TI	222	WA4CR	106
W7TZK	190	WA2HTP	100
WA1KHP	169	WA3BSV	100

Multioperator stations

W8MRM/8	222	1 - CALL	4 - SENT
K4BV	104	2 - ORIG.	5 - DEL.
		3 - RECD.	6 - TOTAL.

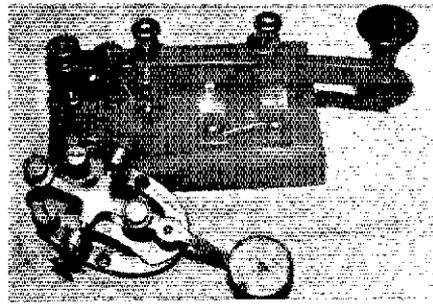
Straight-Key Night

Do you have the mettle for poundin' brass?

By Bill Jennings,* K1WJ



John, K7FD, and his "Dash - Hound," Otto, teamed up for SKN. Make no bones about it, they had a ball.



The SKN arsenal of WA2JAM/6. In the background is his old railroad key, vintage 1890. It has a vertical pivot to adjust for operator comfort and expansion rather than compression type springs. According to Ron, the key has a beautiful resonant sound. The Bunnell Key in the foreground belonged to Ron's dad, 3UK (W2UM), in 1920.

*"Twas on the fourth this past July
And straight-key time was runnin' high.
Like bygone days we pounded brass
With "left foot" sounds and "touch of
class."*

*If sweat and toil could just be caged,
Our straight-key steam could not be
gauged -*

*We'd tap that source and help a bunch
To solve the country's power crunch.
- WSJOV*

Roots. The book, the hit television movie and a resulting widespread interest in finding one's origins. A security in the belief that a knowledge of events past will, in some way, prove useful in the present and the future.

The Morse code. Cw. The universal amateur language, a keystone in building operator proficiency through license class upgrading, which when finally mastered, is a useful skill, no matter how infrequently used, not easily forgotten.

Rare, indeed, is the amateur whose first encounter in sending cw is with anything other than a manual sending device, a straight key. No matter how complex subsequent ways of generating cw are employed: electronic keyer, key-

board, computer, the straight key is basic, ingrained in the very roots of amateur radio.

The July 4th running of Straight-Key Night brought in 66 formal entries, reporting a total of 412 stations active, including DX stations from Nicaragua and Brazil. The sixth U.S. call area showed the greatest number of stations participating at 64, followed by the fourth call area with 58 and the eighth call area third with 51 participants recorded.

A real horse race developed in the competition for the "Best Fist" title, with W4BEY collecting five votes to nose out second-place finisher, W4NIB, who received four votes. Ten stations got two votes apiece to tie for third place. They are (listed by call area and suffix, alphabetically) W1GAT, W2LYH, WD4AAA, W4UA, W5KL, W6HHG, W8GMH, W8LXQ, W0NQ and WA0QEY.

K6DQA was the only operator to receive more than one nomination (he got two votes) and takes top spot in the voting for the "Most Interesting QSO" honors.

Stations, receiving at least one vote in *both* categories deserve mention. They are W1GAT, K1KAV, W2LYH, N4OW, W5RUH, W6CYM, W6HHG, K6IX, K7EF, W8GMH, W9PNE and WA0QEY.

The next SKN will be held on January 1. It offers a chance to get back to basics and develop an empathy with those pioneers who laid the foundations of amateur radio.

Sideswipes

Eureka, I've been using a straight key, the same one that I started with in 1930, and now you say, "Change over to straight key for one night" -- How do I start? Hi! (W4ZRI) Completely forgot to get the ache of the arm. How did I do as a Novice? (WA2WOV) I could not find any activity on the 10-, 15-, or 40-meter Novice bands. Apparently SKN is meant for Generals only or the participants prefer to stay on the General frequencies. Even though I did not get a chance to work anyone, I did listen quite a bit. (WD4GWJ) Personally, I prefer the evening-only format for SKN. It seems to do a better job of grouping the activity. (W4KFC) Steve, W6YPO, had the most unusual key. He keyed the wires of a microphone cable for a 20-minute QSO. All with a tape finger! (W1FD) I was using a keyer paddle to key my rig through the VOX relay. About halfway through my QSO with W6TSU, the relay froze shut. I had to finish the QSO by sending good old Morse, using the transmit/standby switch on my rig. No key at all you might say. (WB6RXE) Started SKN early by accident. I was going to practice on Sunday night and my first QSO gave me SKN instead of RST. I finally looked in QST and found out about the 24-hour format this time. Hi (WBSQGE) Now, when I use my keyer, I feel like I'm flying on Auto Pilot! (N4OW) Let the skeptics say what they want about cw being an anachronism. I personally feel that it actually an art form. More than that, "separates the men from the boys." (W8LUX/9) Signals were copied with an old horn loudspeaker. (W2FW/ex) 8FU) Thanks to Ron, W8GMH, who explained to me how to enter SKN during our QSO at 3 A.M. local time (WA2HTP) As usual for SKN, it was nice not hearing those "extra dits." (W6VPV) I have been licensed since 1961. In all that time, I have always used a straight key, until I received my keyer last Christmas, which I have used ever since. Now that my "fist" is rusty I decided to enter my first SKN (W4NUG) It's a great feeling to go back to "grass roots" and listen to a fellow's personality, thinking and accent come through his key. (W7OO) Most interesting key was that of K6KI, Vibroplex bug. He was using the dash paddle only. He had been given this key 40 years ago by an old telegraph operator, who had used it 75 years ago in the Oklahoma (then Indian) Territory, before it became a state. (KH6CZ) **QST**

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44th ARRL November Sweepstakes Announcement

Cw, November 5-7 . . . phone, November 19-21.

November Sweepstakes is only for dyed-in-the-wool contest enthusiasts, right?

Wrong. SS is for everyone, the newcomer as well as the veteran operator. Each entrant has an equal opportunity to achieve an award level. The rules are the same for everyone.

Read on!

Be sure to allow plenty of time to request the forms you will need to participate: One log sheet per 100 contacts and one each dupe sheet (Operating Aid 6) and summary sheet per mode operated (weekend). Send your request with an s.a.s.e. and affix one unit of first-class postage for each five sheets requested.

In order to minimize interference to noncontest stations, suggested frequency ranges are shown in Table 1.

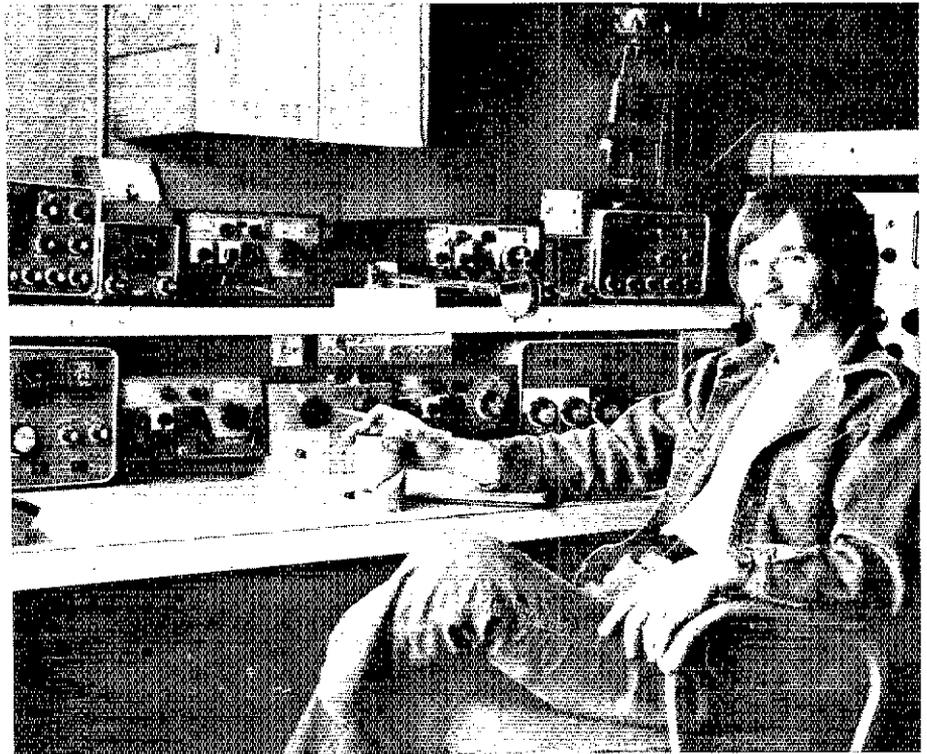
Look for Novices and Technicians around 3710, 7110, 21110 and 28110.

After the SS, be sure to postmark your entry by December 26, 1977; send it first-class mail! If you want to make sure it arrived at Headquarters, enclose a self-addressed postcard which we will mail back to you. Club secretaries are requested to send a list of *call signs only* of all club members who were eligible to participate for the club in the SS. Good luck!

Rules

1) *Eligibility:* This contest is open to all radio amateurs in (or officially attached to) sections listed on page 8 of this issue of *QST*. U.S. possessions in the Pacific are part of the Pacific section. KP4, KV4 and KG4 are all part of the West Indies section.

2) *Object:* To exchange QSO in-



WBØDJY (now WØUA) operated WØTR to the number one score for single operators in the phone portion of the 1976 Sweepstakes. George also turned in the number eight score, nationally, (as WBØDJY) for single operators on cw. Holy Mackerell!

formation (as explained in section 5) with as many amateurs in (or officially attached to) ARRL sections.

3) *Conditions of Entry:* Each entrant agrees to be bound by the provisions as well as the intent of this announcement, the regulations of his licensing authority and the decisions of the ARRL Awards Committee.

4) *Contest Period and Time:* All contacts must be made during the contest period indicated elsewhere in this announcement. Time spent listening counts as operating time. No more than 24 hours of operation are permitted during the 30-hour period. "Off" periods may not be less than 15 minutes at a time. Times on and off and QSO

times must be entered in your log.

5) *Valid QSOs:* Contacts must include certain information sent in the form of a standard message preamble, as shown in the example. Cw stations work only cw stations and phone stations only other phones. Valid points can be

Table 1

CW	Phone
3550-3650	3850-3950
7050-7100	7200-7250
14050-14100	14250-14300
21050-21100	21300-21400
28050-28100	28550-28650

Contest Periods

Starts	Ends
CW	
Saturday, Nov. 5 2100 UTC	Monday, Nov. 7 0300 UTC
Phone	
Saturday, Nov. 19 2100 UTC	Monday, Nov. 21 0300 UTC

Results: 1977 ARRL International DX Competition

Happiness is a good run.

By Jim White,* K1ZX/WA1NNC and Dan Street,** WA1QNF

Journey back into the past. The year is 1965 and then as now, February and March meant only one thing — the International DX Competition. Things look a lot different now than they did then. Or do they?

The quota system was still in effect back in '65 — on cw at least. The quotas limited you to working six stations in a given country. Just six stations. Once you worked six DLs or six JAs you could work no more. That was pretty frustrating for the DX station in a country with a large ham population. Many times calling a big signal on the band resulted in "sri, I've filled my quota." Phone had no quotas. (Back in '65 there weren't enough DX stations active to warrant them.)

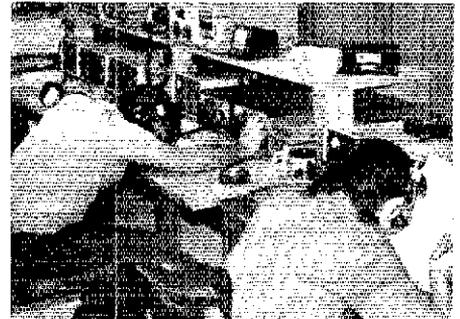
Quotas would seem odd today. When you think about the number of JA QSOs W7RM made, or the number of DLs worked by W2PV, it would seem even more out of place. The same goes for everybody. The majority of contacts are with a small number of countries, say Europeans. Although you can run up a multiplier of over a hundred on a band, many countries have one or maybe two stations representing them. For the VEs things were a little easier . . . they had a quota of eight.

The scoring of the DX Competition was much different back then. But, looking at some of the calls from those "ancient" years isn't as odd as it may seem. Familiar call signs abound and the charm of the DX Competition is proven. The perennials show up. In '65 HI8XAL made 2700-plus QSOs on cw and almost 1800 on phone. Today K3ZO made the top ten on cw and placed 11th on phone. Going back we find WIBIH active in Connecticut. Today PJ9JT is an expected QSO on both modes, all bands. John makes his religious trip to Curacao for two weeks every year (in which time the first cw weekend and

the second phone weekend always manage to fall). Hawaii was stateside back then but today KH6s work Ws and VEs. Either way KH6IJ was and is an active participant. Nowadays he is a regular in the top ten on both modes. Back again is VP2VL, his proficiency making VP2V an easy multiplier on cw.

Could it be the DX Competition is addictive? Ask the above ops. Year after year they're back. The many facets of the DX Competition make it a continuing attraction. To the newcomer working gobs of DX is great (to the big gun it isn't a charm). That does not mean the lure ceases. Tricks of the trade are numerous, numerous enough that there's something for everybody. The gun can't forget any of the tricks he's learned . . . working JAs long path . . . knowing where to look for Russians transmitting on 75 . . . the ins and outs are so numerous you can't know *too* much.

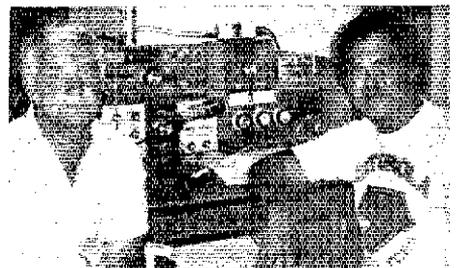
"Great, just what I want to hear about, I'm no big gun — all I do is casually get on for a few hours in the contest. That's all I can stand with those big guns taking up the band, they make it impossible for me to work any DX." Are they taking up the band and making it impossible for you to work DX or are they just one step ahead of you and know something about DXing you don't? Are you trying to get on and work DX at inopportune times? The big guns started out where you're sitting. DX contesting is something mastered with experience, and experience only. Are you getting on in the peak of the band opening? If so, you're probably working the DX. . . . Are you being practical in entering the pileups where the DX station only has a marginal opening into your area? Those from your area who are working him are only making it through because they know you don't beam straight in on 'em — you work 'em skew path at this time of day. If you want to make a big score from a modest setup you have to be



80 and 160 meters at W4SLES . . . Tom's suggested caption: "0710." Somehow, I get the feeling I've been there.



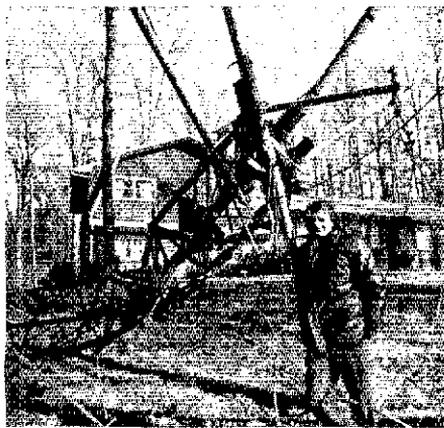
Six of the seven smiling Seven-RM superstation stalwarts, successfully seizing slot numero uno in multi-multi phone. Back row people: WA7OTT, K7SS (K7JCA), Mr. W7RM, W5QQQ. In front: VE7ZZ and K7JA (K7VPF). Not pictured is K7CW (K7HTZ).



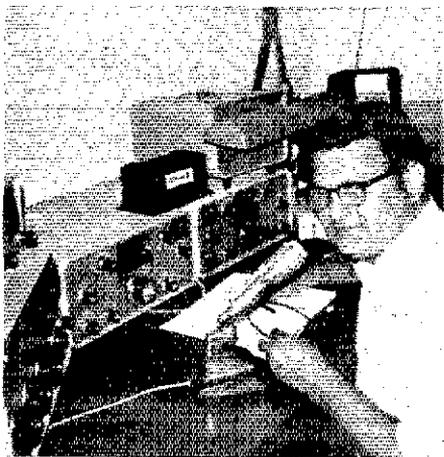
High Montserrat one-weekender went to VP2MNK. Expeditioners WA0ONK and W0NAR made nearly 3900 QSOs with the aid of VP2MGB.

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his final low-power effort this year. He went out in style. On code Ken had over 550k and on phone 275k. For the fourth year running Ken is low-power champ both modes. He'll be back next year in C class . . . "I broke down and bought an amplifier, next year I'll have



An awful sight — the contestor's nightmare. K4VX was lucky, in the sense that his tower made it through the DX competition; 49 hours post-test it was another story. Lew's expression tells the story.



EL2 Tango, Bud is another one of those guys who put a smile on your face. Working Bud on four bands this year was a sure thing. And in a year or two, five EL2T QSOs will be more sweatless.

to compete with the big boys." VE3AIA decided to make a big noise from up north in the Maritimes, putting VE1BKB on both phone and cw, the latter to the tune of a million points. Other heated cw battles included the race for number-one single op in Connecticut. WA1STN was edged out by W1ZM (WA2CLQ/K1ZM as op), an extra 100 QSOs for 'STN, but 15 more multipliers for 'ZM . . . net W1ZM first in CT, number three in W/VE and WA1STN second in CT and fourth W/VE. The second weekend conditions weren't exactly favorable for the West Coasters, W7RM only worked eight (yes, eight) JAs. Without the JAs for the West, scores can't make it up there (ever wonder what they did in the days of the quotas?). Europe is far away from W6 and a multiplier difference of about 25 or 30 means you run JAs or don't score. A classic example of this is fifth-place finisher on phone WA7WXY. Rick (now K7GM) cranked out more Qs than anyone else. However, his multiplier of 286 was the lowest in the top ten . . . a whopping 2359 QSOs. True, but with a multiplier 102 down from first-place finisher W2HMH, the net is fifth place. The sole finisher in the top ten on both modes was W2GXD, giving Frankford RC 3.9 million points toward their aggregate score.

High-band competition on cw was

good this year. Interest in this category seems to be increasing. Not content with his first-place finish in the low-band cw category last year, K1NOL came back this year entering and winning the high-band competition. Jim's low-band record score of last year still stands so he now holds both the low- and high-band cw records. High-band phone number one this year is N4MM and low-band phone winner is K4YFQ. Yet another four, N4PN, takes a first-place slot, this one low-band cw.

Multi-Singles

Multi-single provides an excellent opportunity for clubs to teach their members the ins and outs of contesting. Sitting a newcomer down alongside a seasoned operator can teach the neophyte more in one hour than endless hours of club talks and slide shows can hope to. Entries from W5TMN and WA1NRF proved to be a good race on cw. There were 100 QSOs more for 'NRF, but two multipliers more for 'TMN. WA1NRF took the title. NCDXCC took advantage of this aspect — they had almost as many multiops as single ops on in the contest! W5TMN did make it in as phone multi-single winner, just missing out on three million points by 50 contacts, scoring 225k better than phone single-single winner W2HMH. Strong club ties show up in

DX Continental Champions

CW		Phone	
Single Op	Multiop	Single Op	Multiop
ZS6WW		Africa	6W8DY
<i>JA2JW</i>	JA7YAA	Asia	JA7GAX
CT4AT	YU3ZV	Europe	<i>CT4AT</i>
<i>KP4EAJ</i>	KP4EAS	N. America	KP4EAS
<i>KH6IJ</i>		Oceania	<i>KH6IJ</i>
<i>PJ2VD</i>	LUBDQ	S. America	YV4TI
			JA3YKC
			YU3DBC
			<i>PJ8CO</i>
			<i>KH6GQW</i>
			PY1BAR

Italicized callsigns indicate "repeaters" from 1976

Top Forty

Single-Operator CW				Single-Operator Phone			
W/VE		DX		W/VE		DX	
W3LPL	2,424,464	KP4EAJ	5,272,383	W2HMH	2,621,328	KP4EAS	7,782,324
W2GXD	2,061,900	PJ2VD	4,708,935	W4QCW	2,190,459	VE2AQS/TG9	4,327,155
W1ZM	2,052,618	KP4EK1	4,648,644	WA1ABW	2,093,904	KH6IJ	4,244,226
WA1STN	2,041,572	XE2MX	4,346,712	K4VX	2,071,224	YV4TI	4,163,922
W6PAA	2,025,147	KH6IJ	3,481,890	WA7WXY	2,024,022	XE1LLS	3,928,344
W7RM	2,015,145	KH6HKM	2,803,356	K5LWL	1,908,498	CT4AT	3,870,792
N6AA	1,993,680	CT4AT	2,621,772	W3BGN	1,857,240	KP4DSD	3,544,944
K4GSU	1,962,360	ZS6WW	2,246,244	W2GXD	1,824,642	6W8DY	2,919,996
W5UN	1,795,692	PJ9JT	2,194,686	WA1STN	1,691,352	PJ2FR	2,595,957
K3ZO	1,762,605	EA2IA	2,180,892	K2LE/1	1,461,042	HC1BU	2,442,192

Low-Power Champs

CW		Phone	
WA1SSH	722,766	WA1SSH	506,100
W0PRY	314,415	W0PRY	321,408
WA0UCU	310,116	WA0UCU	214,728
W2BA	302,742	WB2SJG	196,020
WA2HAI	285,600	WB7BNP	194,334
WB4KSS	255,420	WA1TFF	192,390
WB2SJG	250,974	W9YH	186,984
W3ARK	250,848	WB2LOF	136,620
K3KO	242,880	W1HAF	101,682
K1NH	180,999	WB4FOT	100,080

Division Leaders					
Phone					
Single Op			Multiop		
All	Low	High		M-S	M-M
W2HMH	WA3SWF	K3ZOL	Atlantic	W3BWZ	W3AU
W9LT	WB9MOG	WB9HAD	Central	W9RX	K9DX
WA0ONL	--	W0OUE	Dakota	WA0FQF	--
K5KLA	WB5HVV	K5FVA	Delta	W5WMU	--
WA8YWX	W8TWA	WB8JBM	Great Lakes	K8IDE	W8NGO
W2GXD	W2HHC	W2MB	Hudson	WB2RKK	W2PV
W0FHE	WB0OED	W0PRY	Midwest	K0AZV	--
WA1ABW	W1FC	K1CSJ	New England	WA1ABV	W1RR
WA7WXY	W7YTN	W7ISX	Northwestern	K3MNT/7	W7RM
WB6GFJ	W6NLZ	WB6OOL	Pacific	N6MG	W6PAA
W4QCW	WA4YBV	N4MM	Roanoke	WA4APD	W4BVV
K5EVK	--	WB0QHV	Rocky Mt.	WB0LLR	--
N4PN	K4YFQ	WA4CQD	Southeastern	WA4LZR	--
K6AC	WB6NRK/7	WA7YRP	Southwestern	W6YRA	W6ONV
K5LWL	K5JZY	K5BZU	West Gulf	W5TMN	W5BJA
VE1BKB	VE3BBN	VE3HGN	Canadian	VE8ML	--

Total Logs Received 1976 1977
 (Including Check Logs) 2405 3034

'76 W/VE: 1368 DX: 872 Check Logs: 16
 '77 W/VE: 1631 DX: 1123 Check Logs: 28

Returns Up 26 Percent

1978 ARRL DX Competition

Phone
 February 4-5 and March 4-5.

CW
 February 18-19 and March 18-19

CAC representative (or mail your letter to him via the Hq. liaison) to let him know how you feel. If you don't write, don't complain about the rules.

Multi-Multi

Yes, these are the big boys. To the single op they're seemingly merciless on the bands. Their constant presence on the bands make them so conspicuous. No matter what band the single op switches to the multi-multi is there "sentinels of the bands." It didn't take long to figure out who N3RS was. Sig (alias W3WJD) put together a winning multi-multi effort on code this year. Nearly six million points worth of effort, the 80-meter signal of William John David fame came through producing 664 QSOs. On 15 meters, W4BVV (K0DDA op) managed 100 more QSOs than anyone else. We add that Lloyd is sightless and along with John, K3NPV (also blind), WA3AMU, K3OAE, W3ZZ, K4GKD and K1JX, W4BVV managed the second-highest multiplier in the 'test

-- 432 countries -- including 80-meter contest high of 73 by K3NPV. In third is W2PV, but not by much as W5LE's multi-multi came within 200k of 'PV. That's right, a 4.5 million point multi-multi from South Texas -- hats off to Tom for the well-organized effort. Geography didn't discourage the South Texas crew, they just went out to work a contest and did so in style. K1VBL's New Hampshire multi-multi operation signing W1GQO on cw lost most of their aluminum in the storm on the Thursday and Friday before weekend two -- only one weekend for them, but almost two million points, nevertheless. . . . Murphy struck!

On to phone. Now grit your teeth on the beacon of W7RM skunked everyone with an eight-million-point victory. Number two finisher W2PV managed 50 more multipliers than 'RM. Sound pretty impressive, huh? Impressive, but not as impressive as the 1350-QSO lead by 'RM -- over a million points above W2PV . . . where did it come from

Division Leaders					
CW					
Single Op			Multiop		
All	Low	High		M-S	M-M
W3LPL	WA3SWF	WA3SZX	Atlantic	W3NX	N3RS
K9DX	K9DWK	WB9LHI	Central	WA9IVL	W9CL
W0HP	WB0ANT	W0OUE	Dakota	--	--
W5WMU	--	N4ZZ	Delta	--	--
K4GSU	W8IQ	K8ETO	Great Lakes	K8IA	W8ROF
W2GXD	W2HHC	WB2PYM	Hudson	WA2UOO	W2PV
W0ZLN	WB0NOU	W0PRY	Midwest	WB0HRA	--
W1ZM	W1NJL	K1NOL	New England	WA1NRF	W1RR
W7RM	W7YTN	WA7OBL	Northwestern	N7XX	--
W6PAA	WA6SFT	W6HJP	Pacific	WA6DQM	K6ZM
K4VX	W4HBK	N4MM	Roanoke	W4WIN	W4BVV
W7HS	WA5YTX	--	Rocky Mt.	--	--
N4RR	N4PN	W4WHK	Southeastern	WA4LZR	--
N6AA	W6DYD	WA6WZO	Southwestern	K6SE	W6BA
W5UN	W5KLB	W0PCO/5	West Gulf	W5TMN	W5LES
VE1BKB	VE6AYX	VE6KW	Canadian	VE4OY	--

the phone multi-singles with Frankford, PVRC, NCDXCC and MM all putting in multiple entries. Use of spotting nets for conveying hot multiplier news is the main reason. Some ops normally running single-single decided to use the net for score aid -- foregoing single-op status and entering the ranks of the multi-singles. The scores of the phone multi-singles fall into the 1.5- to 2.5-million-point range with the exception of the TMN winning score of 2.9 million -- a clear victory.

There is only one set of rules for multi-single operation, but two distinct methods of operating a multi-single exist. Interpretation of the rules for multi-single vary, some seeing the "single" as meaning one transmitter while others say one signal. The classical view of multi-single is that the category is an extension of the single-op category, i.e., the only way it is different than a single op is there's more than one operator of the station -- to assist in keeping the station on the air for the full 96 hours.

The second op(s) can man a second receiver, looking for band openings and multipliers. Some multi-singles have taken this to an extreme and have set second stations, manning them simultaneously. The number of contacts possible from a multi-station multi-single is far greater than a single-op station with more than one operator can match. Contest rules are not meant to discourage participation in the contest, and because of this entrants using the multi-station format were not reclassified into multi-multi. This has been done with the proviso that the Contest Advisory Committee and the Headquarters Awards Committee thoroughly review the reason for the category's existence, and possibly redefine multi-single contest participation. The Contest Advisory Committee is responsible for conveying the participants' interests in contesting to Headquarters, where the rules are implemented. If you feel strongly one way or the other about an issue, like "what is multi-single?" contact your

Try 650 more QSOs on 40, 600 more on 15, and 100 more on 75 — that adds up to JA, right? Twenty meters was dead even in contacts; 'RM worked Europeans like crazy, and took 'PV in multipliers: 145 to 134. Competition for number-two slot was possible — can anyone compete with W7RM? We'll tune in next year and see (perhaps). Oh yes, back to competition for number-two slot. The scores made by second and fourth finishers W2PV and W3AU are way up over last year's, 'PV by 52 percent and 'AU by 44 percent. Multi-multi scores are good indicators of propagation and there is no denying these kind of increases spell upswing on the propagation charts. K1VBL's multi-multi signed W1RR, and in their first year out came in third, right at the heels of W2PV.

DX Horizon

At one time East Coasters worked JAs on 10. This is a few years back the other side of the lull in the cycle, but they did indeed work 'em. The West Coast has been having trouble making it to JA, but this year JA has started up, meager signs, perhaps, but further proof that the conditions are getting better. In the last hour of the contest (on phone) JA1PUK had a run of 12 QSOs into the states. JR1CFG and JA1CG also lucked out and made a few W QSOs on 10. With the trend as it is for West Coast scores, 20 meters could well become the lowest contact-producing band — boggles the mind, eh? Way over on the other side of Asia 9D5A surprised many with a usually unheard country — Iran. If you listened hard you lucked out and caught him. On phone things were pretty tough for Bill (K6KM/W6HQN). Running 60 watts makes the distance between Iran and W/VE seem further. "Believe it or not, my 69 phone contacts represent an all-out effort in the contest. Few but the 'big guns' heard me call them, and not one CQ got a response . . . except from Europe and Africa." Those of us who heard you say thanks, Bill, especially the three of us lucky enough to work you on 75. On cw 9D5A was multi-single, with K5MM assisting. Over 600 contacts, not bad for a TH3 and 60 watts.

The whopping 2.9-million-point score by 6W8DY (number Six, letter W, number Eight . . .) brings an African score back into the top-ten box. Aiding in keeping Africa on the ham radio map are the kilos of QSOs made by EL2T, ZS6DN and 9G1DN. Fifth worldwide cw scorer ZS6WW entered the top ten, too — making two Africans successful at thwarting the NA/SA/Oceania guns.

Flash! Switched to 40 meters, worked CT4AT. Good gawd, K7ZZ's last DX test from Portugal proved a winning one with his phone score of 3.8

Affiliated-Club Scores

State/Prov.	Call Area	Club	Score	Entries	CW Winner	Phone Winner
VA	4	Potomac Valley RC	65,437,392	98	W3LPL	K4VX
PA	3	Frankford RC	50,776,590	80	W2GXD	W2MHM
CT	1	Murphy's Marauders	41,064,741	38	W1ZM	WA1ABW
CA	6	N.CA DX & Contest Coop.	35,542,482	99	W6PAA	WB6GFJ
WA	7	Western WA DX Club	22,452,069	54	W7RM	K7DZ
IL	9	N.I.L DX Assn.	19,187,088	40	K9DX	W9BW
TX	5	TX Assn. of Contest Oprs.	15,604,563	14	W0PCO/5	K5VTA
MA	1	NE Contest Club	14,045,268	39	K1GQ	K1CSJ
NJ	2	Wireless Inst. of the NE	13,339,967	41	W2REH	WB2RJJ
CA	6	S.CA Contest Club	10,799,631	21	K6AC	K6AC
OH	8	Mad River RC	9,781,374	22	K8RMK	WA9BWY
TX	5	TX DX Society	6,001,908	10	W5UN	K5LWL
CA	6	San Diego DX Club	4,865,796	16	W6ABT	WA00OL/6
CA	6	S. CA DX Club	4,504,236	11	N6AA	W6BA
NY	2	Order of Boiled Owls of NY	4,092,105	13	K2LE/1	K2LE/1
MI	8	Mich. DX Assn.	3,555,759	6	K8ETO	—
AL	4	N.AL DX Club	3,432,672	7	—	K4TIG
LA	5	Delta DX Assn.	3,069,312	5	—	K5FVA
AZ	7	Central AZ DX A.	3,038,037	15	WA7YRP	WA7YRP
VA	4	Central VA Contest Club	2,940,223	5	WA7YRP	WA7YRP
IN	9	INDY DXers	2,886,696	4	—	—
MN	0	Twin City DX A.	2,797,194	12	W0HP	WB0ANT
CO	0	Calo Contest Conspiracy	2,316,690	3	—	—
GA	4	SE DX Club	2,146,491	9	N4PN	N4PN
TN	4	Mid-South ARA	2,012,376	11	WA4FDR	WA4EAV
NJ	2	S. Jersey RA	1,810,940	13	K2JOC	W2FGY
IA	0	E. IA DX Assn.	1,466,712	17	K0FLY	W0FHE
WI	9	Four Lakes ARC	1,282,587	6	K9KGA	—
NY	2	Overlook Mtn. ARC	1,236,198	14	WB2BXL	K2SD
IL	9	Kankakee Area RS	1,090,599	4	—	—
NY	2	Buffalo Area DX Club	1,058,310	4	—	—
OH	8	OH Valley ARA	1,001,505	8	W8RSW	—
FL	4	N.F.L. DX Assn.	964,554	8	—	W4ZTW
MAN	0	Winnipeg DX Club	868,143	10	—	VE4RP
MO	0	MO Valley DX & Contest Club	785,583	11	W0TDR	W0HBH
ONT	9	Toronto DX Club	752,037	4	—	VE3HGN
IN	9	INDY DXers	720,924	3	—	—
TX	5	Alamo DX Amigos	714,900	11	W5BE	W5BE
IL	9	Waukegan VHF Society & ARC	703,671	6	—	W9LUH
VA	4	VA Century Club	674,037	10	—	WB4OXD
OH	8	Columbus ARA	621,663	7	W8ZCQ	W8ZCQ
NJ	2	Old Barney ARC	562,959	6	W2EQK	W2EQK
MD	3	ARINC ARC	556,965	7	N3OS	W3PWO
NS	4	Halifax ARC	539,852	4	VE1MX	—
NY	2	Poughkeepsie ARC	482,463	5	—	WA2LJM
KY	4	River Rats ARC	352,704	3	—	—
NC	4	Charlotte ARC	327,036	4	—	K4GFH
ALTA	4	Calgary DX Club	253,284	8	VE6AMR	VE6AMR
NJ	2	Gloucester Co ARC	185,847	4	—	—
NY	2	Lake Success RC	168,972	3	—	—
KY	4	Bluegrass ARC	166,521	3	—	—
NC	4	Brightleaf ARC	108,990	5	—	WA4NHP
CT	1	Meriden ARC	92,892	6	W1KKF	—
OH	8	Parma RC	34,134	4	—	—
IL	9	Chicago Radio Tfc. A	26,292	5	W9REC	—

million setting an EU record. Though he claimed not to know the code, Don made 3800 cw contacts, nailing down high Europe single-op on both modes . . . the word is that Don has gone down to the Caribbean. But we'll wait and see what comes of it. EA2IA (?) broke two million on cw again, and YU3ZV put together a 2.2 million point multi-single . . . two Europeans you always work. Multi-singles from Russia were plentiful again. Active on both

modes, the UK2 Bravo Bravo Bravo and UK2GKW crews each broke 2000 phone QSOs. Lithuania and Latvia were duck soup on four hands.

If you didn't work KP4EAS you were in a very small minority, Mike set an all-time world record DX score this year; his 7/8-pound log was filled with 8132 QSOs, and 309 multipliers . . . 43 on 160, 55 on 75, 56 on 40, 20 on 15 and 53 on 10. Pretty good show when you consider it's only possible to work a

WA4ZHU 633,828-884-239-C60 K4CL 396,066-706-187-C88 W4BV 366,894-561-218-C69 K4IRF 85,775-445-77-C-34 WB4XGW 65,949-247-99-C15 K4PB 55,554-197-94-C23 WB4QXN(WB4NTH,opr.) 468-13-12-C-4	WGEYY 76,608-304-84-C16 W6VW 42,966-231-62-C30 W6BTK 28,341-201-47-C8 W6AGR 14,229-153-31-B-23 W6UR 9823-91-36-B-59 W6G6FJ 9546-74-43-C12 W6KHS 9009-91-33-C10 W6QDE 3384-47-24-C-6	W9DWQ 392,190-769-170-C40 W9VBV 272,550-539-170-C35 K9KWK 242,136-531-252-C25 K9BGL 205,620-460-149-C32 W9JUV 202,500-360-167-C88 K9UIY 164,334-449-122-A-60 W9BJCO 134,874-381-118-C50 W9JKFR/9 95,586-261-122-C29 W9RW 242-90-A-30 W9VOL 61,857-261-79-C16 W9RT 31,395-161-68-C-8 W9AG 25,625-122-70-C-20 W9AZ 11,340-70-54-B-14 W9BNE 8127-63-43-C12 W9HRC 7695-58-44-B-14 W9DK 7011-57-41-C-6 W9NU 6882-62-37-C-26 W9BDVQ 5850-50-39-B-14 K9CV 5466-53-34-B-6 W9WR 3360-40-28-B-15	VE7ZTA 7560-60-42-C-34 Los Angeles Multi-Single KESI(+WB6CEI) 1,586,004-2212-239-C88 W9RTI(NGDE,WA6OTU,WB6KJI,opr.) 431,964-1014-142-C51	1 Connecticut WABDOM(+WB6JH,VE7ZT) 1,292,451-1849-233-C96 N6MQ(+WA6P6B,W9R6ACZ) 1,244,196-1819-228-C96 W6OKK(+WA6M6E) 1,094,688-1629-224-C96 K6DC(+WB6JH) 991,737-1587-207-C95 N6G(+K6GX,WA6HJV) 1,552,620-1587-200-C90 K6UD(+W6ARR,W6XR,WA6TLV) 698,493-1483-157-C56 W6CF(+Net) 202,752-528-128-C- N6OM(multiop) 124,984-358-116-C55 W6G6FY(K6CN,WB6EAW,opr.) 49,140-260-63-C10 K6CN(multiop) 8250-110-25-C10	San Diego W4XJ 757,475-1078-235-C71 W1FCX/4 728,472-956-254-C60 WB4WH 31,320-145-72-B-27 K4TTA 12,168-78-52-C10	San Francisco W6WS 212,574-499-142-C70 W6ZHD 56,940-260-73-C30 K6LRN 456-19-8-A-3	Indiana W9RQJ 32,292-138-78-C14 K9VQK 17,304-103-56-C15 W9G8S 4263-49-29-A-13	Eastern Massachusetts W1RR(+W1KM) 2,087,270-2239-310-C96 W1MX(WA1S,RJX,SHO,W252C,96,WB2FJH,WA4TIS,opr.) 1,022,868-1353-252-C96	San Joaquin Valley W6BVM 83,259-319-87-C- W6A6F 19,533-167-39-C31	Wisconsin K9KGA 645,669-1056-204-C70 W9NA 499,315-869-177-C- W9ZM 455,836-701-212-C65 K9CAN 363,573-609-199-C43 W9JFT 233,262-665-147-C43 K9QXY 137,650-398-132-C58 W9BG 20,400-100-68-B-14 W9FKL 7440-62-40-B-10 W9OW 5643-57-33-C-5	Maine K1RQE(+K1OEY) 1,242,042-1511-274-C80	San Francisco W6BIP(+WA6DJ) 733,788-1308-187-C76	Vermont K1IHK(+K1RQF) 999,708-1468-227-C79	2 N.Y.C.-L.I. 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Northern New Jersey	K1FWE 348,552-824-141-C-56 W1HMF 101,455-321-95-B-24 W1GME 30,378-166-61-C-19 W1NH 5808-44-44-B-6 WB1AHX 2418-31-26-A-8	W4NRI 53,580-235-76-C-48 W4WOK 12-2-2-A-1	K8ETO 47,329-1031-153-C-66 K8WGF 18,252-117-52-B-22 W4BDTT 12,324-79-52-B-9 W4BKMI 10,062-86-38-C-7 W4BRXI 7854-77-34-B-6	Western Massachusetts	WA1FBX 3690-41-30-C-6	
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3	W6RR(+W6BHY) 1,521,400-1844-275-C-70 K6SE(+WA2THV,W7KUI) 788,499-1109-237-C-63	Alberta	W7AEK(+VE6(+VE6BET,VE6RO)) 17,575-475-79-C-68	B	W3JO W4BRW W3ETB W3GQ K3MDQ K3DPQ	27,585-389-75-C-46 61,983-713-87-C-34 61,187-198-83-C-31 48,000-267-60-C-10 44,244-78-50-C-12 30,691-39-31-C-3		
Delaware	W3N(X)+W33DRD(H) 506,344-656-266-C-82	Santa Clara Valley	Northwest Territories	Michigan	W8NGO(+W8KR,W8ONA) 236,844-459-172-C-64	Maryland - D.C.		
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4	W7RUK(multiop) 297,864-991-168-C-44	San Joaquin Valley	Eastern New York	High Band	WAIOBY(WAIOGC,opr.) 317,760-662-160-C-62 WIGSH 292,422-598-163-C-52 WIBMY 173,280-380-152-C-38 WAINRG 122,838-347-118-C-39 KLYXG 90,576-296-102-C-22 WIDQ 30,000-100-100-C-22 WIOR 18,514-171-100-C-20 WALICU 6156-76-27-B-10 WIKKF 3870-3-3-8 K1WVX 972-18-18-C-10 WAINGL 828-23-12-C-3	1	U.S.A.	WA3JX 90,909-273-111-C-15 W3PIX 36,450-167-78-B-25 WA3JXP 30,015-145-69-C-40 12,750-80-54-A-9 W3RQU 860-11-40-B-15 K4DR 2484-36-23-C-3
Alabama	W7RUK(multiop) 297,864-991-168-C-44	K6A YA(+K6TE,WA6QEC,WB6JUD) 584,151-1093-169-C-60 K6AO(multiop) 466,880-784-190-C-56 K6YK(multiop) 43,260-206-70-C-13	W4PVP(+K1E,AP,OMF,ZZ,WA3S, JKI,NNC,Q2H,K2V,W4ZSP,L, WB2S,XY,CKO,MZE,OEUI) 6,884,703-4599-499-C-96	U.S.A.	Eastern Massachusetts	W4ZSR 453,960-776-195-C-56 W4FWL 718,160-908-144-C-56 W8SDZ 206,550-675-102-C-96 W4ZIT 139,072-391-146-C-38 W3GZP 95,472-712-117-C-36 N3US 76,986-776-94-C-10 W4JPT 75,000-260-109-C-26 W4ZIT 51,734-196-88-C-19 W4EUI 28,354-137-69-B-30 W4RSK 21,816-101-74-C-12 W4YMA 19,942-100-84-C-10 W4WJH 18,300-100-84-C-10 N3II 17,344-114-52-A-5 W4RUU 8640-11-40-B-15 W4CM 7342-71-34-A-15 W4ML 396-12-11-B-1		
Georgia	WA7NIN(+W6OAT,WA6JUD, WB6CPI) 1,601,235-2065-273-C-90	Washington	Eastern Pennsylvania	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.		
Kentucky	WB4NTBI(W4AUNJ,WB4OEM,opr.) 109,128-324-174-C-65	K3MNT(+W1WAJ,KKM,N7DX) 1,996,800-2560-260-C-92 K7HSC(+WA7UJE,WA6GJ) 1,377,978-2107-218-C-70 W7VRO(+W7S,DM,CKM,WA7ZWC) 1,298,970-1898-255-C-96 WA7URW(multiop) 392,240-995-118-C-40	K3WV(+K3S,DZB,WJW,WA3S,LM, RDI) 3,518,343-2799-419-C-96 W3GSM(+K3S,ILT,KPV,WA3S,JYB, WIM) 2,271,904-2408-446-C-96 N3RD(+N3RS) 1,933,560-1640-393-C-90 W3GUT(+K3CY) 1,333,194-966-253-C-60 K3TGM(multiop) 412,800-640-215-C-96	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	
North Carolina	W44AP(+K4S,CEB,MJG,NLH, W44S,KJX,UPA,7IX,9H4S,1ZP, 1BJ) 628,993-809-259-C-76	Michigan	Maryland - D.C.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.		
Northern Florida	W44UP(+W44PVT,WB4YKU) 294,300-492-175-C-43 WB4OKY(multiop) 34,750-110-75-B-45	K8IDE(+HIMOL,K8S,ED1A) 1,274,625-1378-309-C-96 WB8ZV(+WA8PPI,W8RWS) 527,094-681-258-C-90	W4JAI(+WA1FEQ,K3EST,W3S, LN,WA3HRV,W6UM,CX1EK) 5,867,910-3798-515-C-92 W3LPL(+WA2LQZ,WB3S,AJQ,AVN, WB4SGV) 2,341,729-2549-437-C-96 W3FA(+W3S,1JF,1JF,1JF,1JF,2AS, WB81JW) 2,472,336-2124-388-C-96 K3NSI(multiop) 609,042-853-238-C-78	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	
Southern Florida	W44ZL(multiop) 31,284-917-284-C-7 W4SME(multiop) 89,208-236-126-C-34	Ohio	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.		
Tennessee	W4MII(multiop) 30,472-996-269-C-90 K4TTA(+W4S,NPB,RIM) 576,612-684-281-C-75 K4LNL(+K4S,APH,1AF,1SP,W4DMS, W44S,EX,1OM,MOZ,ODU,ZAL, WB4S,NIR,1FR,RRJ) 131,570-754-235-C-96	K8RMK(+K8MR,WA8UQH) 858,600-1060-270-C-90 W8QKI(+W8BMMF) 344,520-522-220-C-88 W8LTI(WA1LILU,WA8YBT,W8BS, 1BZ,1CQ,3XS,1XE,6UJ) 224,540-390-192-C-67	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	
Virginia	W40W(multiop) 17,420-90-66-C-96	Illinois	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.		
5	Arkansas	W9R(X)+2 meter net) 1,062,999-1077-329-C-96 W9KNI(multiop) 323,900-350-118-C-72 W9SVOI(multiop) 108,900-300-121-C-25 W99LDH(multiop) 3240-40-27-C-3	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.		
Louisiana	W5D(X)+W5S,RTG,SDT,W5YEM) 907,515-1005-301-C-96	Colorado	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.		
Minnesota	W5WMU(+K5YMY) 1,334,378-2079-375-C-96	Missouri	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.		
Northern Texas	W5IMN(+W5A,JMK,RXT, W5SFX) 2,916,442-2266-429-C-96 W5SMWZ(+W5P) 73,495-233-105-C-35	K0AZV(multiop) 43,650-150-97-C-30	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.		
Southern Texas	K5PFL(+K5S,NA,WA,WB5DOW) 444,675-605-245-C-83 K5LZO(multiop) 1296-24-18-A-4	Canada	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.		
East Bay	K6HII(+WA6DGG,2Mtr Net) 1,281,464-1804-222-C-96 WA6JUD(+Net) 149,628-674-74-C-29 W6UZX(+2Mtr Net) 4698-58-27-C-10	Maritime - Newfoundland	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.		
Las Angeles	W6YRA(K1TOL,K6SVL,W6BMLZ, WB6ICK,WA7DAC,WB6MU, opr.) 1,694,250-2250-251-C-96	VE1JUN(VE1S,BCZ,BEC,BHA,BJC, QT,opr.) 142,848-372-128-B-40	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.		
	W6BRI(+W6BRI,2Mtr Net) 1,213,444-588-121-C-16	Ontario	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.		
	W64EW(+VE4EH) 378,504-751-168-C-36	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.		
	W6BRG(VE6S,DX,UG) 701,485-965-243-C-96	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.		
	Saskatchewan	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.		
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Multi-Single		UA3EAL 3600- 60- 20-A-	Low Band	High Band	HC2SL 1,505,916-2127-236-C-34 HC5EE/1 324,612- 852-127-A-14	
SK6JA(multlop)	1,215,212-2357-172-B-	Katiningradsk	UQ2GEC 135- 9- 5-A- 1	OX5AB 4872- 58- 28-A-11	Argentina	
SK7CE(multlop)	697,125-1625-143-B-	UA2EC 131,208- 107- 88-B-	Estonia	Sint Maarten	Multi-Single	
High Band		High Band	UK2RAX 10,488- 92- 38-A-	Multi-Single	LU8DQ(+LU8DLK) 3,154,932-4092-257-C-77	
SM3GSK 341,352- 862-132-B- SM3EVR 1,15,404-1122- 94-B- S39WL(SM42L.C,opr.)	156,510- 705- 74-B-12 74,820- 430- 58-B-18 72,198- 382- 63-B- SM6AYM 59,338- 341- 58-B-30 SM6KFK 58,800- 280- 70-B- SM5AKT 43,326- 249- 58-B- SL5BO 33,120- 230- 48-A- SM7AED 16,320- 136- 40-B- SM5CAK 15,540- 140- 37-B- SM5RE 11,904- 128- 31-B- SM5MCP 11,682- 118- 33-B- SK21V(SM2CDF,opr.)	UA2DP 72,930- 442- 55-B- UA2DC 7455- 71- 35-A-	High Band	UR2RCU 241,056-1116- 72-B- UR2AW 24,108- 164- 49-A- UR2RGM 12,970- 130- 33-A-	Romania	VE2AQS/TGS 17,640- 140- 42-B- 3
SM5XX 74,820- 430- 58-B-18 SM8CCM 72,198- 382- 63-B- SM6AYM 59,338- 341- 58-B-30 SM6KFK 58,800- 280- 70-B- SM5AKT 43,326- 249- 58-B- SL5BO 33,120- 230- 48-A- SM7AED 16,320- 136- 40-B- SM5CAK 15,540- 140- 37-B- SM5RE 11,904- 128- 31-B- SM5MCP 11,682- 118- 33-B- SK21V(SM2CDF,opr.)	11,526- 113- 34-A- 10,890- 110- 32-A- 8892- 114- 26-A- SM5DGR 65,212- 126- 24-A- 9 SM7CZC 6216- 56- 37-A- SM7FSV 5859- 63- 31-B- SM5XF 3657- 53- 23-A- SM4AGW 2592- 48- 18-B- SM7VJ 2223- 38- 19-B- SM8JX 741- 19- 13-B- SM7TV 168- 8- 7-B- 2	Ukraine	UB5WCW 40,572- 276- 49-A- UB5LAW 26,871- 169- 53-A- UB5HQ 8787- 101- 29-B- UB5AAL 3078- 94- 19-A-	Yugoslavia	YO9YE 52,650- 270- 65-A- YO3CR 30,912- 184- 56-A-	
Low Band		High Band	Multi-Single	High Band	St. Lucia	
SM5YY 94,500- 420- 75-B- SM5CLE 1632- 34- 16-A- 4		UY5OO 156,468- 767- 68-B- UB5MBP 51,303- 349- 49-A- UB5WCJ 51,300- 380- 45-A- UB5UAT 47,424- 304- 52-B- UY5TE 25,857- 169- 51-B- UB5LNC 14,652- 148- 33-A- UB5LBI 9639- 119- 27-A- UT5LN 8670- 89- 34-A- UB5EAX 8112- 104- 25-A- UT5HP 4617- 57- 27-B- UB5UBX 2709- 43- 21-A- UT5EW 2220- 37- 20-B- UB5R 1782- 18- 12-A- UB5LBM 1680- 80- 7-B- UB5LVC 1404- 38- 13-A- UB5HBH 720- 20- 12-A-	UK5QBE(multlop) 123,354- 534- 77-B- UK5KAA(multlop) 76,212- 348- 73-B- UK5UBB(multlop) 47,340- 263- 60-A- UK5HAB(multlop) 36,942- 252- 47-B- UK5UAC(multlop) 20,511- 159- 43-B-	YO2BEO 12,870- 143- 30-A- YO3AQJ 12,090- 130- 31-A- YO7NK 5070- 65- 26-A- YO4XF 2646- 49- 18-A-	VP2KN(K9OTB,opr.) 13,407- 109- 41-A- 4	VP2LBH(K2IGW,opr.) 161,400- 538-100-A- 8
Poland		Poland	Multi-Single	Multi-Single	High Band	
SP8ECV 923,175-1865-165-B- SP7CTY 113,130- 419- 90-B-40 SP2DWW 9180- 102- 30-A-12 SP5AFL 7521- 108- 23-B-16 SP8BA 6522- 78- 18-B- SP8FNA 4761- 69- 23-B-		UB5ZAT 37,665- 279- 45-B- UB5IAN 5103- 81- 21-A- UB5TAG 1755- 39- 15-A- 4	White R.S.S.R.	YU3EY 1,897,203-3311-191-C-72 YU6ZAN 47,709- 279- 57-A- YU4VBR 3675- 49- 25-A-	VP2MAQ(W6s KG, QL,opr.) 1,978,914-2597-254-C-44	
Multi-Single		High Band	Multi-Single	Multi-Single	Low Band	
SP9KRT(multlop) 262,257- 817-107-B- SP7KTE(multlop) 98,880- 412- 80-A- SP9PDF(multlop) 33,300- 222- 50-A-		UB5ZAT 37,665- 279- 45-B- UB5IAN 5103- 81- 21-A- UB5TAG 1755- 39- 15-A- 4	YU1BCD(YU1s NQW NZV PCF QBC,opr.) 1,695,525-3055-185-C-70 YU1JDE(multlop) 187,800- 626-100-A-	VP2VL 1,161,216-1728-224-B-30	PY7DDA 5130- 57- 30-B- PY1ZCF(K5MAWR,opr.) 5124- 61- 28-C- 2 K4LC/PY8 1305- 29- 15-B- 1	
High Band		High Band	Multi-Multi	High Band	Low Band	
SP6BPY 27,636- 188- 49-A- SP6GHT 9180- 102- 30-B-11 SP5PT 6732- 66- 34-A- SP3CB 6048- 72- 26-B- SP6AEG 3420- 60- 19-B- SP6HFP 3138- 55- 19-A- SP6ATG 1788- 34- 11-B- SP2JGY 990- 30- 11-A-		UB5ZAT 37,665- 279- 45-B- UB5IAN 5103- 81- 21-A- UB5TAG 1755- 39- 15-A- 4	YU1AEP(multlop) 25,700- 240- 35-B- YU4CBC(multlop) 13,824- 128- 36-B-10	WIHUY/VP9* 1,131,840-2096-180-B-40	PY6AVY 16,485- 157- 35-B-	
Low Band		High Band	Multi-Multi	High Band	Low Band	
SP8MJ 9984- 128- 26-B- SP7JEM 49- 4- 4-A- SP7JFM 27- 3- 3-A-		UB5ZAT 37,665- 279- 45-B- UB5IAN 5103- 81- 21-A- UB5TAG 1755- 39- 15-A- 4	YU1BCD(YU1s NQW NZV PCF QBC,opr.) 1,695,525-3055-185-C-70 YU1JDE(multlop) 187,800- 626-100-A-	VP9HY 449,934-1271-118-B-60	JA1PIG/PZ 995,356-1515-219-A-34	
Greece		High Band	High Band	High Band	Venezuela	
Low Band		UC2LAS 17,745- 169- 35-A-	YU2CDS(YU2RTM,opr.) 531,630-1790- 99-C- YU1NGO 69,192- 372- 62-B- YU1SF 11,172- 98- 38-A-	YU1INX 1,589,796-2236-237-A-37 YU3AG1 555,408-1102-168-A-26 WA5UKR/YV5 78,390- 335- 78-B-28		
SVWTT 15,327- 131- 39-C-17		Low Band	Low Band	Mexico	Multi-Single	
European Russian S.F.S.R.		UC2ARI 31,500- 210- 50-B- UC2OBA 7896- 94- 28-A- 7	YU2CTF(YU2RUX,opr.) 76,734- 406- 63-A-	XE2MX(K6NA,opr.) 4,346,712-4962-292-B-78	YV5UCV(multlop) 704,520-1236-190-B-61	
UK3ACR 201,960- 680- 99-B- UA6LWI 74,688- 389- 64-A- UA6APP 26,325- 195- 45-B-		Moldavia	North America	Oceania	High Band	
Multi-Single		High Band	Bahamas	New Caledonia	Low Band	
UK6LAZ(multlop) 426,426-1001-142-B- UK3AAC(multlop) 238,438- 892- 88-B- UK1ZAO(multlop) 88,392- 508- 58-A- UK4HBB(multlop) 88,080- 367- 80-B- UK3DAU(UA3s DKU DKF,opr.) 55,950- 373- 50-A- UK4LAC(multlop) 52,864- 339- 52-B- UK3DCE(multlop) 27,760- 176- 45-A- UK4PAA(multlop) 9900- 100- 30-B- UK3XAM(multlop) 3038- 46- 22-A- UK1ADK(multlop) 540- 20- 9-B-		UO5AP 16,764- 127- 44-B-	WA8TOB/C6A* 95,175- 423- 75-A-12	FK8AH 137,865- 455-101-A-	YV10B 409,579-1075-127-C-33	
High Band		Low Band	Low Band	High Band	DX	
UA3GM 82,458- 509- 54-B- UW1CX 72,063- 471- 61-B- UW1YY 70,080- 320- 73-B- UA3NE 49,542- 359- 46-B- UA3DFK 38,016- 288- 44-A- UA4LW 35,742- 259- 46-B- UA3EZ 15,158- 247- 38-B- UV3ON 14,892- 146- 34-A- UA4HDV 14,880- 155- 32-B- UA3DB 12,177- 128- 33-B- UA4ADY 10,323- 111- 31-A- UA4PWU 8910- 110- 27-A- UA4QVK 8748- 108- 27-A- UA4NDK 5889- 69- 27-A- UA3AHF 5175- 69- 25-A- UV3HD 4002- 58- 23-B- UA3MCJ 3666- 47- 26-A- UV3UH 3222- 42- 22-B- UA3MBD 2838- 43- 22-A- UA3JBC 2805- 55- 17-A- UA3TR 2484- 46- 18-A- UA4CK 2079- 33- 21-A- UA3ADQ 726- 22- 11-A- UA3RAJ 75- 5- 5-A- UA3TA 60- 5- 4-B-		UO5GR 2112- 32- 22-B- 4	Martinique	FK8CL 124,278- 538- 77-A-14	Phone	
Latvia		Multi-Single	High Band	Guam	Africa	
UA2QEY 48,672- 312- 52-A-		UK2BAS(multlop) 833,292-1758-158-B-38 UK2BBB(multlop) 679,140-1540-147-B-	WB6UAG/FM9* 132,525- 465- 95-A-	KG6JAR 78,012- 394- 66-C-	Liberia	
Multi-Single		High Band	Dominican Republic	Low Band	EL2T 2,357,652-3707-212-C-56	
UK2GKW(multlop) 945,063-2143-147-B- UK2GAC(multlop) 299,052- 923-108-B- UK2GAX(multlop) 52,198- 988-100-B- UK2GAR(multlop) 63,288- 293- 72-B-		UP29A 211,140- 828- 85-B- UK2BAG 30,744- 244- 42-A- UP2BV 28,431- 243- 39-A- UP2B5 13,200- 142- 31-B- UP2BAW 10,080- 112- 30-B- UP2BAE 8268- 106- 26-A-	H18MOG 598,455-1209-165-A-30	KG6JH 62,976- 328- 64-C-	South Africa	
High Band		Latvia	High Band	Hawaii	High Band	
UQ2GDQ 68,625- 375- 61-B-		UA2QEY 48,672- 312- 52-A-	H18LPC 18,815- 128- 49-B- 9 H18EVA 12,192- 127- 32-B- 4	KH6LJ 3,481,890-4190-277-C-77 KH6HKM 2,803,356-3636-257-C-73 KH6BCX 14,883- 121- 41-A-12	Z56DN 2,097,144-3192-219-B-85	
High Band		Multi-Single	Alaska	Midway Islands	Low Band	
UQ2GDQ 68,625- 375- 61-B-		UK2GKW(multlop) 945,063-2143-147-B- UK2GAC(multlop) 299,052- 923-108-B- UK2GAX(multlop) 52,198- 988-100-B- UK2GAR(multlop) 63,288- 293- 72-B-	KL7GN 652,320-1510-144-A-42	KH6JBU 400,300-1001-100-C-25 KH6JA 121,923- 437- 93-B-12 KH6JFI 4293- 53- 27-B- 6	Z56WW 747,348-2009-124-A-29 Z54BU 183,264- 664- 92-B-21	
High Band		High Band	Puerto Rico	Alaska	Mauritius	
UQ2GDQ 68,625- 375- 61-B-		UP29A 211,140- 828- 85-B- UK2BAG 30,744- 244- 42-A- UP2BV 28,431- 243- 39-A- UP2B5 13,200- 142- 31-B- UP2BAW 10,080- 112- 30-B- UP2BAE 8268- 106- 26-A-	KP4EAJ 5,272,383-5651-311-C-75 KP4EK 4,648,644-5031-308-C-78	KM6EB 33,348- 195- 57-A-17	Z56JW 137,256- 532- 86-B-16	
High Band		High Band	Multi-Single	Australia	High Band	
UQ2GDQ 68,625- 375- 61-B-		UP29A 211,140- 828- 85-B- UK2BAG 30,744- 244- 42-A- UP2BV 28,431- 243- 39-A- UP2B5 13,200- 142- 31-B- UP2BAW 10,080- 112- 30-B- UP2BAE 8268- 106- 26-A-	KP4EAS(+WB5DJ,W) 5,301,216-5592-316-C-92	VK2GW 436,224-1024-142-A-70 VK5RX 5103- 63- 27-A-	3BBCV 56,925- 345- 55-C- 9	
High Band		High Band	Virgin Islands	Low Band	Senegal	
UQ2GDQ 68,625- 375- 61-B-		UP29A 211,140- 828- 85-B- UK2BAG 30,744- 244- 42-A- UP2BV 28,431- 243- 39-A- UP2B5 13,200- 142- 31-B- UP2BAW 10,080- 112- 30-B- UP2BAE 8268- 106- 26-A-	KV4JY 1,051,035-1709-205-A-	AX3XB 59,865- 307- 65-A-22 VK3QI 29,568- 224- 44-A- VK4AK 29,704- 204- 42-A- VK2BFK 7221- 93- 25-A-2	6W8DY 2,919,996-4269-228-B-	
High Band		High Band	Greenland	New Zealand	Ghana	
UQ2GDQ 68,625- 375- 61-B-		UP29A 211,140- 828- 85-B- UK2BAG 30,744- 244- 42-A- UP2BV 28,431- 243- 39-A- UP2B5 13,200- 142- 31-B- UP2BAW 10,080- 112- 30-B- UP2BAE 8268- 106- 26-A-	OX3AB 1,101,600-2400-153-B-53	ZL3BK 636,552-1263-168-A-40 ZL1AFW 445,662- 917-162-A-45 ZL1A1Z 146,124- 396-123-A-19	9G1JN 1,154,664-3318-116-C-44	
High Band		High Band	Greenland	Bolivia	Asia	
UQ2GDQ 68,625- 375- 61-B-		UP29A 211,140- 828- 85-B- UK2BAG 30,744- 244- 42-A- UP2BV 28,431- 243- 39-A- UP2B5 13,200- 142- 31-B- UP2BAW 10,080- 112- 30-B- UP2BAE 8268- 106- 26-A-	OX3AB 1,101,600-2400-153-B-53	VK2GW 436,224-1024-142-A-70 VK5RX 5103- 63- 27-A-	9D5A 5382- 69- 26-A-	
High Band		High Band	Greenland	High Band	Korea	
UQ2GDQ 68,625- 375- 61-B-		UP29A 211,140- 828- 85-B- UK2BAG 30,744- 244- 42-A- UP2BV 28,431- 243- 39-A- UP2B5 13,200- 142- 31-B- UP2BAW 10,080- 112- 30-B- UP2BAE 8268- 106- 26-A-	OX3AB 1,101,600-2400-153-B-53	CP5NK 18,078- 131- 46-B-	HL9VA 49,086- 303- 54-B-18	

Japan

Table listing radio frequencies for Japan, including JA8SW, JF1HOH, JH1EVS, etc.

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in Japan, including JA3YKC, JA3ZBI, etc.

Multi-Multi

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Multi in Japan, including JA7YAA, JA7YJ, etc.

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Japan, including JA7GAX, JH1ACD, etc.

Low Band

Table listing radio frequencies for Low Band in Japan, including JA1SV, JA1UO, etc.

Mongolia

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Mongolia, including JT1AN.

Asiatic R.S.F.S.R.

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in Asiatic R.S.F.S.R., including UK6SA.

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Asiatic R.S.F.S.R., including UW8IX, UA8SA, etc.

Low Band

Table listing radio frequencies for Low Band in Asiatic R.S.F.S.R., including UA9CCW.

Azerbaijan

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Azerbaijan, including UD6DER.

Georgia

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Georgia, including UF6CX.

Kazakh

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in Kazakh, including UK7LAH.

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Kazakh, including UL7QH, UL7OF.

Israel

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Israel, including WA9BVB/4X.

Europe

Portugal

Table listing radio frequencies for Portugal, including CT4AT, CT1FL, CT1UO.

Fed. Republic of Germany

Table listing radio frequencies for Fed. Republic of Germany, including DK3BJ, DK5AD, etc.

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in Fed. Republic of Germany, including DK9TU, etc.

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Fed. Republic of Germany, including DA1AS, etc.

Low Band

Table listing radio frequencies for Low Band in Fed. Republic of Germany, including DA1AY, etc.

German Dem. Republic

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in German Dem. Republic, including DM2AOL, etc.

Low Band

Table listing radio frequencies for Low Band in German Dem. Republic, including DM2COL, etc.

Spain

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Spain, including EA1PT, etc.

Low Band

Table listing radio frequencies for Low Band in Spain, including EA2IA.

Republic of Ireland

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in Republic of Ireland, including T19CB.

France

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in France, including F6DJN, etc.

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in France, including F5KAR.

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in France, including F2SI, etc.

England

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in England, including G5CP.

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in England, including G4ANT, etc.

Low Band

Table listing radio frequencies for Low Band in England, including G3TJZ, etc.

Northern Ireland

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Northern Ireland, including GI3KR, etc.

Low Band

Table listing radio frequencies for Low Band in Northern Ireland, including GI6YM, etc.

Wales

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Wales, including GW4BNJ, etc.

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Wales, including GW4BLE, etc.

Hungary

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in Hungary, including HA9KLL, etc.

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in Hungary, including HA4KYB, etc.

Aland Islands

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Aland Islands, including HA1ZD, etc.

Switzerland

Multi-Multi

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Multi in Switzerland, including W5ONL/HB*.

Multi-Multi

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Multi in Switzerland, including HB9AUS, etc.

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Switzerland, including HB9AAA, etc.

Italy

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in Italy, including I3PAT.

Multi-Multi

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Multi in Italy, including IK9KZ, etc.

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Italy, including IK9AAA, etc.

Sardinia

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Sardinia, including IS0MVE, etc.

Svalbard

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Svalbard, including SV7FD.

Norway

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Norway, including LA4EU.

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single, including LA1K(LA), etc.

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band, including LA6HL, etc.

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single, including LA1RN, etc.

Low Band

Table listing radio frequencies for Low Band, including LA3JU, etc.

Bulgaria

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in Bulgaria, including LZ1KAA.

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Bulgaria, including LZ2ES.

Austria

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in Austria, including OE6XUG, etc.

Finland

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in Finland, including OH1AA, etc.

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Finland, including OH4RH, etc.

Poland

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in Poland, including SP6PZB, etc.

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Poland, including SP9PEZ, etc.

European Russian S.F.S.R.

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in European Russian S.F.S.R., including UK3AAC, etc.

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in European Russian S.F.S.R., including UV3CF, etc.

Czechoslovakia

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in Czechoslovakia, including OK2BLG, etc.

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in Czechoslovakia, including OK3KFF, etc.

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Czechoslovakia, including OK1JAGN, etc.

Low Band

Table listing radio frequencies for Low Band in Czechoslovakia, including OK1YVK, etc.

Belgium

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Belgium, including ON4XG.

Denmark

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Denmark, including OZ5KF.

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Denmark, including OZ5FY, etc.

Netherlands

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in Netherlands, including PA6SMS, etc.

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in Netherlands, including PA6SMK, etc.

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Netherlands, including PI1ARS, etc.

Sweden

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in Sweden, including SK6IAMS, etc.

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Sweden, including SM2EKM, etc.

Poland

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in Poland, including SP6PZB, etc.

High Band

Table listing radio frequencies for High Band in Poland, including SP9PEZ, etc.

European Russian S.F.S.R.

Multi-Single

Table listing radio frequencies for Multi-Single in European Russian S.F.S.R., including UK3AAC, etc.

High Band

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Czechoslovakia

Multi-Single

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Multi-Single

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High Band

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Low Band

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Belgium

High Band

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Denmark

High Band

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High Band

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High Band

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White R.S.S.R.	KL7HRP(+KL7IUM) 1,407,276-2522-186-C-52	High Band	Indonesia	Surinam
Multi-Single	High Band	XE1AFU 451,278-1233-122-B-20	YB0ACH 54- 6- 3-B- 1	High Band
UK2WAF(multiop) 37,812- 274- 46-B- UK2WAO(multiop) 540- 18- 10-A-	KL7IRN 630,300-1910-110-B-50 KL7IQN 108,150- 601- 60-A-44 KL7HDX 16,872- 152- 37-A-10 WA2A1Q/KL7 8613- 99- 29-B- 3	Cayman Islands	Manihiki Islands	JA1PIQ/PZ 105,825- 425- 83-A- 8
High Band	Puerto Rico	ZF1AK 760,641-1249-203-A-32 W9ABA/ZF1* 85,398- 531- 86-A- 8	New Zealand	Venezuela
UC28F 406- 19- 8-H-	KP4EAS 7,782,324-8132-319-C-86 KP4DSD 1,544,944-4784-247-C- KP4EPN(K4WVJ,opr.)* 1,247,226-2143-194-C-31	Oceania	ZL2ACP 1,237,513-1955-211-A- ZL3BK 94,620- 415- 76-A-22	YV4TI 4,163,922-4721-294-C- WA5UKRYV 78,039- 299- 87-B-25
Lithuania	Virgin Islands	Philippine Islands	High Band	High Band
Multi-Single	KV4JY 234,255- 679-115-A-	DJ6EG 2580- 43- 20-B- 7	ZL2GJ 30,315- 215- 47-B- ZL4UJ 5850- 65- 30-A-	YV9FOI 723,398-1757-138-B-35
UK2BHB(multiop) 432,274-2058-151-B-49 UK2BAS(OP2, PAJ, PAO, ops.) 376,740-1092-115-B-30	Greenland	High Band	Low Band	Check Logs
High Band	High Band	K9PNT/DU2 135- 9- 5-B- 2	ZL2HE 49,830- 302- 55-A-16	Cw: DK9NH DM2ABL DM2ADC DM2BLE DM2CCO DM2CGF DM2CGH DM2CKJ DM2CMA DM2CMF DM2CJA DM2DZH DM2FBN DM2FDM DM2FQN DM2HF DM2TNA DM2JUF DM3WFJ DM3WJ DM3ZC DM4SWL F8E G3PVA G3UFV HA3MS HIBEVA JF2RAL K1YHK K31GM K6DSK K6OPH LA2IE I RTG L21XL L22JF N622 OK1IAR OK2BJ OK2BQ OK2BC OK3CJ OK3KFF OY3H PA0CLN PA0EFI PA0PHK PA0UV SM2COR SM4AIK SM5AKT SP1DGB SP2MM SP2SR1 SP3DAM SP5IXI SP6IY SP8GUV SP9AMH SP9BWA W4BGO/712 UA1ACD UA1DQA UA1ZWW UA3ADP UA3AFQ UA3AE UA3DGX UA3DDN UA3DEA UA3DIW UA3EAL UA3ECF UA3IAM UA3DDC UA3AM UA3UAA UA3VU UA3WB0 UA4AY UA4BI UA4CH UA4HEJ UA4PAV UA4YAU UA4WE UA6LLI UA6LXZ UA9HAK UA9MF UA9SDB UA9UPP UA9XV UA9ZB UA9ZC UA0LJ UA0LL UA0QWB UB5AAF UB5CBB UB5EIJ UB5FAQ UB5IDL UB5IBY UB5JF X UB5LAY UB5NU UB5QK UB5XBO UB5ZCO UC2ACA UC2LBE UC2RG UC2RV UK1ZAS UK2BFF UK2FAA UK3VAJ UK5QAC UK6AFJ UK6LDN UK7AAF UK7CAI UK9AAZ UK9WB1 UK9AAC UL7CT UL7EHL UL7PB UL7PBK UA2BQJ UV3CM UV3DN UV0JL UV3UG UV3WZ UV6CW UV9PT UV5AO VE2DWG VE2YU WA1TAH W1YL WA1ZLD W2LKH W2NLI WA2ZBW W3IPS W4BHP W4HEV W6BYR/ W6MOR W6R1 W7KXW W81WT W9XK W9R6 Y0B0 YU1BGM YU2COO; Phone: C65B1CT1EU DL1RB DM2CMF DM2DWN DM2GDL DM3VGC DM3ZC DM4JCO F1D94GN HV35J IA7KXD J2E2AL K1BUR K3AV K4KPH K5NM K6DSK/M6 K7GEX K7YDO K9NA K0VUW LA2IE LA6HLN6AA OH1ZX OH2BAQ OH3XZ OK1OD OK2BBJ OK3CF OK3TAB O74JU O2AVK PA0LFG PA0TV PA0VY S3ZW SM1CXE SM1DYR SM5BF J SM5GA SM7DMT SM8IX SP3BQD SP4AS SP5PTR UA3DFK UA3IAM UA31GH UA3AG UA3KZ UA0AC UC2ACA UIRI AIQ UK2GCF UK3AAI UK3ACW UK4YV UK5VAD UK6LDN UK5YAB UK7AH UK9DM UK9AAB UK9AAC UK9BZ UR2REN UV3DN UV3EQ UV9VH UV9MF VE1EP VE2AHE VE2CKM VE3GK VE3JA VE7BG VE7DEW VK4PJ VK4VU W22GDG WA1PBE W2GGN W21KA W2JGR W3GRK W3IEZ W31W405 W6W1W W6RZ W6RZ W7H W8E Z W9JY W9NN WA4BU WA4PMU W46KL WA8TBCA W4GFR W49PM WA9E1 W49TAS W49JKP W5TMM W59NME W59NO ZL1BL L519CJ; SW: RF 30989
Low Band	Greenland	French Polynesia	South America	
UP2PRW 900- 25- 12-A-	High Band	F00RSIKGNA,opr.)* 1,517,292-2268-223-A-21	Bolivia	
Latvia	High Band	Eastern Caroline Islands	CP6EL 1,989,900-3015-220-A-36 CP1AT 123,321- 408-101-C- 9	
Multi-Single	Multi-Multi	High Band	CP6HE 502,902-1206-139-B-60	
UK2GKW(multiop) 826,848-2088-132-B-	PJ8CO(KJGO, W1GYZ, WA2DYK, WB2S DRW G1D OEU W01,ops.)* 7,239,870-7810-309-C-48	KC6KO(WB2WSP,opr.) 22,650- 151- 50-B-12	Ecuador	
Estonia	Guatemala	Guam	HC5EE 371,805- 925-134-C- 9	
High Band	VE2AQS/TG9 4,327,155-4579-315-B-63	KG6JHW 6216- 72- 28-B-13 KG6JAP 3024- 48- 21-C-	Multi-Single	
UR2AW 1530- 34- 19-A- 4	Antigua	Low Band	HC5CRC/5(multiop) 8742- 04- 31-A- 4	
Yugoslavia	Multi-Single	KG6JH 125,904- 488- 86-C-20	High Band	
Multi-Single	W6QLV/P2A(+W6KG)* 2,055,780-2916-235-A-44	Hawaii	HC1BU 2,442,192-4904-166-B-60 HD9EE 135- 5- 5-B- 1	
YU3DBC(YU3S IPZ, TYX, ZY, ops.) [435,450-3450-187-C-92	St. Lucia	KH6IJ 4,244,226-5089-278-C-77 W85KVC/KH6 31,92- 58- 18-A- 6	Argentina	
High Band	VP21DU(WA9FXJ,opr.)* 246,861- 669-123-B-19	Multi-Single	High Band	
YU1BCD(YU1NZV,opr.) 622,098-1938-107-C-48 YU2CDS(YU2RQX,opr.) 612,990-1946-105-C-	High Band	KH6GQW(+KH6GMP) 4,407,690-5285-278-C-96	LU1ADI 184,032- 568-108-B-19	
Malta	Montserrat	High Band	Peru	
High Band	VP2LGC(K0KJS,opr.)* 72,954- 386- 63-B- 6	KH6HZF 1,605,744-3304-162-C-64 KH6JF1 112,708-1012-103-C-19 KH6JA 297,330- 935-106-B-22	OA8V 386,370- 810-159-A-21	
9H4G 11,583- 99- 39-B-12	Multi-Single	Midway Islands	High Band	
North America	VP2MNK(VP2MGB,W9NAR, WA0NKK,ops.)* 2,869,344-3888-245-B-48 VP2MAG(W8S KG, QL,ops.)* 2,433,552-3352-242-C-44	High Band	W1DKB/OA4 728,190-1674-145-C-53	
Bahama Islands	St. Vincent	High Band	Netherlands Antilles	
Multi-Single	VP2SZ(WB8JEY,opr.)* 406,080-1128-120-C- 9	KM6FC 1785- 35- 17-B-19	PU2FR 2,585,957-3367-257-A- PJ9JF(W1B1H,opr.)* 1,364,688-2106-216-R-19	
W4SS/06A(+W4S OO PJG RA SS, WH4PQB) 1,514,460-2348-215-A-31	Bermuda	Australia	Brazil	
Dominican Republic	High Band	High Band	PY3APH 180,711- 621- 97-B-	
HI7CMC 466,626- 937-166-C-18	VK2X1 122,472- 504- 81-B-24 VK4AK 118,818- 483- 82-B- VK5RX 2832- 59- 16-A- VK4PJ 1554- 37- 14-A-	High Band	Multi-Single	
High Band	VI9IF 356,928-1352- 88-B-50	Low Band	PY1BAR(+PY1S CHP DBE) 410,571-1029-133-B-26	
HI4MOG 470,580-1364-115-C-11 HI8CDS 294,984- 464-102-C-12 HI8LCL 26,119- 283- 31-B- 8	Mexico	AX4VU 112,392- 446- 84-A-12 VK3QI 24,957- 141- 59-B- VK4GK 4725- 63- 25-B-	High Band	
Alaska	XE1LLS 3,928,344-4886-268-B- XE2MX 867,969-1881-183-B-		PY2ELV 1,108,800-2310-160-A- PY3DMT 152,951- 573- 89-C- 9 PY1ZBJ 1,37,520- 573- 80-B- PT2IB 432- 14- 9-B-	
Multi-Single				

Disqualifications: The following have been disqualified from the 1977 ARRL DX Competition, per the criteria described on page 85 of January QST, 1977. **Phone:** K1EA W1NJL W1ZA (operators of W1ZA), W3RJ WA3LRO (operator of W3WJD), W6RTT. **Cw:** K1EA (operator of W1ZA), WA1LNO K2BMI W2GGE WA2YHK K3UEI K3WJV K3WW W3HXX WA3LNM (operators of K3WW), WA1LNO

CX1EK WA2LQZ K3EST W3AU W3IN WA3HRV (operators of W3AU), N3AD W3BGN W3IGQ (operators of W3BGN), K3DZB (operator of W3RJ), K3JGI WA3YGH WA3YHT (operators of WA3YGH), WA3UFW WB4YKU (operators of WA4UFW), K6MA WA7RKR (operators of K6MA), K6PJY N6VV WA6FWJ WA6NGG (operators of WA6NGG).

Strays

1976 DX Competition

KH6GQW is incorrectly listed as a phone single-op entry. Correct status is as multi-single with KH6GMP as second op. KH6GQW is also Oceania Continental winner, not C21NI as shown. The scores of G4ANT, HB9AUS, YV1AVO are shown in single-op listings; all are multi-single participants. JF1MYI is incorrectly shown as

JA1MYI in the single-op scores from Japan.

1976 Sweepstakes

□ Southwestern Division phone winner is W6HX, now K6AC as printed. Midwest Division low-power winner should be W0NVP, not WA0PAO, K1VTM is incorrectly listed as multiop phone winner in New England Division. The correct winner is K1KDP.

Phone single-op winner for the Mad River Radio Club is WA8PLZ

(WB8AYC, op), not WA3WIK. Winning single op on phone for Motor City Radio Club is K8SIA, not WA8FRE as shown. K5VTA should be listed as op of Northern Texas Division first-place finisher W5TMN. The club listings incorrectly show the IBM Owego Club as the IBM Oswego Amateur Radio Club.

10-Meter Contest

The second operator at the MDC multi-op station WB3BSV is shown as K3ZZ. The correct call is W3ZZ.

Response to Restructuring

In the June and July issues of *QST* this year we ran articles concerning the CD appointment structure, one detailing the structure as it now exists, the other proposing some extensive changes. What, you haven't read them? Any ham interested in operating, and especially the League's operating organization, should read them, especially the second article with the proposed changes — although this may not make too much sense unless you understand what it is being changed from.

While response hasn't exactly been overwhelming, it has been substantial. Only one thing is disappointing about it. Nearly all of the response has been from amateurs who already hold SCM appointments and are, therefore, suspect of being wedded to the status quo. These are for the most part the same ones who commented on the same general proposals made previously to Communications Department appointment-holders. Only a very small handful of comments were received from nonappointees.

The request for comments did not, of course, amount to a "poll." It was intended purely to see what kind of reaction resulted.

So what kind of a mandate does this give us? No mandate at all. Nonappointee DXers and contesters seem to have no emotions about appointments in their fields, and those DXers and contesters who hold appointments in other fields, some of whom commented, were cool to or opposed to appointments in DX and contest fields. So it would seem that we can forget about Official Contest Station (OCS) and Official DX Station (ODS) appointments, at least tentatively or temporarily. How about the other proposals?

Official Traffic Station (OTS), Official Emergency Station (OES) and the leadership appointments of Net Manager and Section Net Manager received better (but not 100 percent) acceptance, although the cw contingent were understandably reluctant to release their grasp from their special status in the traffic field.

How about the Versatility Factor? So

little comment about this that it's hard to determine if it's wanted or not. It sort of leaves one with a free hand — okay to go ahead if we can make it work, but woe unto us if it bombs out.

Is it possible that the amateur public, like the general public, is becoming conditioned to propaganda? The Madison Avenue hucksters know that anything can be sold, provided enough effort and money is put behind it. So the procedure is to get up a proposal that you'd like to put into effect, then *sell* it. Don't mention any disadvantages or point out any fallacies, concentrate on pointing out why the proposal would be beneficial, why the respondent should like it. Perhaps our approach was too soft. All we did was present the proposal and ask respondents to let us know what they think about it. We even suggested you might want to shoot it down, that "this is just something to take potshots at." One respondent took us to task for this noncommittal attitude, outlined a program designed at "selling" the proposal.

But we weren't particularly interested in selling it, we just wanted your opinion, your considered thoughts on the matter. Sad to say, we received such only from a very few, but here are some excerpts: I'd like to see a real tightening-up in appointment procedures to go hand-in-hand with restructuring. (VE3SB) Why not have an Official Research Station (ORS) in place of OVS? (WB8UHU/1) The only appointment open to Novices is ORS-II; and the only appointments open to Technicians are ORS-II and OVS. Why? (WB8VLR) Why don't we give a grading (of OTS according to level of net participation) to separate the boys from the men? (VE3DV) I strongly feel that the (Section Traffic Manager) *must* be an active member of all groups represented. (W0HXB) Have you considered an Official Classic Radio Station appointment for hams whose main gear is more than 20 years old? (K9SW) Ask those of us who are not "traffic hounds" whether

they would like to see more appointments available in other areas (emergency, DX, whatever) and I'm sure you'll get a resounding YES! (WB8TVD) It was the stodgy old system that did not welcome me or my enthusiasm. Let's implement this plan immediately. (KH6CKJ) I personally feel the guys (OBS) have been of service . . . and I've had more than one person thank me for the bulletin information. (W9TAL) I work DX and contests but I see no reason for separate appointments. How about OOS (Official Operating Station)? (K0FPC) Is the purpose (of appointments) to furnish wallpaper or to designate stations for a particular job? Most of the newly proposed awards seem more along the honorary line, giving recognition to DXers, contesters and such. (K4ZN) "Fun" activities (DXing and contesting) as opposed to "work" activities, such as emergency and traffic operating, don't need a structured appointment to work. (K1MC) I think the distinction of cw versus phone traffic operators should be retained. (K3NGN) It has always amazed me that . . . it is necessary to have two categories for primarily the same function (i.e., cw and phone traffic). However, I do *not* feel that appointments for Official DX Stations or Official Contest Stations are needed. (K2GCE) Surely a contest operator receives his award when he wins a certificate. The avid DXer gets his reward when he makes DXCC. (W5GHP) How about an "Official Emergency Relay Station (OERS)" for medium and long-haul traffic relay between vhf and NTS? (N2NS)

Okay, so what's the verdict? Well, for one thing, it looks like OCS and ODS are out, but the general reaction to OTS, OES, STM and NM seems favorable enough to get some support. Most of the opponents of dropping OBS were OBS appointees, but we'll go slow on this one. Keep the comments coming, if you have any, and watch for an announcement of some changes. To those who have written, many thanks. Your guidance is needed and appreciated.

SCM ELECTION NOTICE

To all ARRL members in the Eastern New York, Eastern Pennsylvania, San Diego, South Dakota, Louisiana, North Carolina, Virginia, Pacific, and Maritime/Newfoundland sections: You are hereby solicited for nominating petitions pursuant to an election for Section Communications Manager. A petition, to be valid, must contain the signatures of five or more full ARRL members residing in the section concerned. Photocopied signatures are not acceptable. No petition is valid without at

least five signatures on that petition. No member may sign more than one petition. It is advisable to have a few more than five signatures on each petition.

Petition forms (CD-129) are available on request from the ARRL headquarters but are not required. The following form is suggested:

(Place and date)

Communications Manager, ARRL
225 Main Street, Newington, CT 06111

We, the undersigned full members of the . . . ARRL Section of the . . . Division, hereby nominate . . . as candidate for Section Communications Manager for this Section for the next two-year term of office.
(Signature . . . Call . . . City . . . Zip . . .)

SCM candidates must have been a member of the League for a continuous term of at least two years and a licensed amateur of General class or higher (Canadian Advanced Amateur Certificate) immediately prior to receipt of petition at Headquarters.

Petitions must be received at Headquarters on or before 5:30 P.M. Eastern Local Time, December 9, 1977.

Wherever more than one member is nominated in a single section, ballots will be mailed from Headquarters on January 3, 1978, returns counted February 28, 1978 and SCMs elected as a result of the above procedures will take office April 1, 1978.

If only one valid petition is received for a

*Communications Mgr., ARRL

section, that nominee shall be declared elected without opposition, for a two-year term beginning April 1, 1978.

If no petitions are received for a section by the specified closing date, such section will be resolicited in April QST, and an SCM elected through the resolicitation process will serve a term of 18 months.

Vacancies in any SCM office between elections are filled by appointment by the communications manager.

You are urged to take the initiative and file a nominating petition immediately.
George Hart, WINJM
Communications Manager

REPEAT SCM NOMINATING SOLICITATION

Since no petitions were received for the Sacramento Valley section as a result of

notices in April and May QST, nominating petitions for this section are herewith resolicited. See the above notice for details on how to nominate.

SBWAS AWARD

(Updating the list in May 1977 QST, starting with number 281): W4KN WA8MOA W8CNL W9MHK K5OVC W4QCW W0DYK WA6RVR W8RSW WB4PAB WA8PPI W8UOQ.

W1AW Operating Schedule (April 24-October 30, 1977)

PDST	CDST	EDST	UTC	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
6 A.M.	8 A.M.	9 A.M.	1300	Slow ¹	Fast ²	Slow ¹	Fast ²	Slow ¹		
7 A.M.	9 A.M.	10 A.M.	1400			Cw Bulletins ³				
8 A.M.	10 A.M.	11 A.M.	1500			RTTY Bulletins ⁴				
1 P.M.	3 P.M.	4 P.M.	2000	Fast ²	Slow ¹	Fast ²	Slow ¹	Fast ²	Slow ¹	Slow ¹
2 P.M.	4 P.M.	5 P.M.	2100			Cw Bulletins ³				
3 P.M.	5 P.M.	6 P.M.	2200			RTTY Bulletins ⁴				
4 P.M.	6 P.M.	7 P.M.	2300	Slow ¹	Fast ²	Slow ¹	Fast ²	Slow ¹	Fast ²	Fast ²
5 P.M.	7 P.M.	8 P.M.	0000			Cw Bulletins ³				
6 P.M.	8 P.M.	9 P.M.	0100			RTTY Bulletins ⁴				
6:30 P.M.	8:30 P.M.	9:30 P.M.	0130			Phone Bulletins ⁵				
7 P.M.	9 P.M.	10 P.M.	0200	Fast ²	Slow ¹	Fast ²	Slow ¹	Fast ²	Slow ¹	Slow ¹
8 P.M.	10 P.M.	11 P.M.	0300			Cw Bulletins ³				
9 P.M.	11 P.M.	12 P.M.	0400			RTTY Bulletins ⁴				
9:30 P.M.	11:30 P.M.	12:30	0430			Phone Bulletins ⁵				

¹ Slow code practice on cw bulletin frequencies, 8 minutes each session; 5, 5, 7-1/2, 7-1/2, 10, 13, 15 wpm.

² Fast code practice on cw bulletin frequencies, 8 minutes each session; 35, 30, 25, 20, 15, 13, 10 wpm.

³ Cw bulletins, 18 wpm, on: 1.835 3.58 7.08 14.08 21.08 28.08 50.08 147.555 MHz.

⁴ RTTY bulletins 60 wpm/170-Hz shift on 3.625 7.095 14.095 21.095 28.095 MHz.

⁵ Phone bulletins on 1.835 3.99 7.29 14.29 21.39 28.59 50.19 147.555 MHz.

Operating-visiting hours are Monday through Friday 7:30 A.M. to 1 A.M. and Saturday and Sunday 3:30 P.M. to 1 A.M. (all local Eastern Time). The station address is 225 Main St., Newington, CT 06111 (about 7 miles south of Hartford). Maps with local street detail are available upon request. Please note that all footnoted frequencies are approximate. If you wish to operate when visiting, you must have your original operator's license with you. (Schedules can also be arranged to work W1AW.) Staff: Chief operator/Asst. Communications Mgr. C. R. Bender, W1WPR; Chris Schenck, W1EH; Stan Gibilisco, W1GV.

In a communications emergency monitor W1AW for special bulletins as follows (times in UTC): *phone* on the hour, *RTTY* at 15 minutes past the hour, *cw* on the half hour.

To improve your fist by sending in step with W1AW (but not over the air!) and to allow checking the accuracy on certain tapes, note the UTC dates and QST text to be sent in the 0200 practice from the issue of QST two calendar months past: Oct. 3, It Seems to Us; Oct. 11, World Above; Oct. 12, League Lines; Oct. 20, Public Service; Oct. 24, Happenings; Oct. 28, Operating News.

AMSAT-OSCAR 7

Ref	Orbit	Date	Time (UTC)	Long W	NOTES
13159B	1 Oct.	0142	80.0		
13171A	2 Oct.	0041	64.9		
13184B	3 Oct.	0135	78.4		
13196A	4 Oct.	0035	63.3		
13209X	5 Oct.	0129	76.9		
13221A	6 Oct.	0028	61.7		
13234B	7 Oct.	0122	75.3		
13246A	8 Oct.	0022	60.1		
13259B	9 Oct.	0116	73.7		
13271A	10 Oct.	0015	58.6		
13284B	11 Oct.	0110	72.2		
13296X	12 Oct.	0009	57.0		
13309B	13 Oct.	0103	70.6		
13321A	14 Oct.	0003	55.4		
13334B	15 Oct.	0057	69.0		
13347A	16 Oct.	0151	82.6		
13359B	17 Oct.	0051	67.5		
13372A	18 Oct.	0145	81.0		
13384X	19 Oct.	0044	65.9		
13397A	20 Oct.	0139	79.5		
13409B	21 Oct.	0038	64.3		
13422A	22 Oct.	0132	77.9		
13434B	23 Oct.	0032	62.7		
13447A	24 Oct.	0126	76.3		
13459B	25 Oct.	0025	61.2		
13472X	26 Oct.	0119	74.8		
13484B	27 Oct.	0019	59.6		
13497A	28 Oct.	0113	73.2		
13509B	29 Oct.	0012	58.0		
13522A	30 Oct.	0107	71.6		
13534B	31 Oct.	0006	56.5		

The operating schedule of AMSAT-OSCAR 6 has been discontinued indefinitely. Presently operating at one-half its design voltage, it is difficult to command and is not transmitting telemetry. A-O 7, however, continues to function reliably.

To keep abreast of latest developments, tune into the regular phone and cw bulletins over W1AW (see schedule in "Operating News," above, AMSAT bulletins transmitted over the beacon frequencies on A-O 7 reference orbits, and AMSAT nets (East Coast at 0100 UTC Wednesdays on 3850 kHz LSB; Mid-States at 0200 UTC; West Coast 0300 UTC).

Spacecraft	Uplink	Downlink	Beacon
A-O 7			
Mode A	145.850-145.950 MHz	29.400-29.500 MHz	29.502 MHz
Mode B	432.125-432.175 MHz	145.975-145.925 MHz	145.972 MHz

Operating Events

OCTOBER

- 1-2: California QSO Party.* VK/ZL/Oceania phone**
- 6: West Coast Qualifying Run**
- 8-9: CD Party cw, RSGB 21/28 MHz, VK/ZL/Oceania cw, QRP QSO Party**
- 12-13: YL/AP cw**
- 15-16: CD Party phone, RSGB 7 MHz, WADM, Manitoba QSO Party, Scouts Jamboree**
- 19: WIAW Qualifying Run**
- 22-23: CARTG RTTY SS, CQ-WE, Indiana QSO Party**
- 23: WIAW Qualifying Run**
- 29-30: CQWW phone**

NOVEMBER

- 2: West Coast Qualifying Run**
- 3-4: YL/AP phone**
- 5: Frequency Measuring Test**
- 5-6: Sweepstakes cw,** RSGB 7 MHz phone, Trilliums***
- 12-13: Missouri QSO Party, WAE RTTY, IPA Contest, Delaware QSO Party***
- 13: OK DX Contest***
- 17: WIAW Qualifying Run***
- 19-20: Sweepstakes phone,*** WWDXA cw***
- 26-27: CQWW cw**

DECEMBER

- 3-4: 160-Meter Contest, TOPS cw, EA phone, CT QSO Party***
- 8: West Coast Qualifying Run
- 10-11: EA Contest cw, HA DX Contest***
- 16: WIAW Qualifying Run (+40 wpm)
- 17-18: SOWP Christmas QSO Party***
- 25: HASWW***
- 28: WIAW Morning Qualifying Run
- 31: Straight-Key Night

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OCTOBER

1-2: VK/ZL/Oceania DX Contest phone, sponsored by the Wireless Institute of Australia and the New Zealand Amateur Radio Transmitting Society, 1000Z Oct. 1 through 1000Z Oct. 2 (cw Oct. 8-9). Non-VK/ZL/O stations score 2 points for each QSO on a specific band with VK/ZL; 1 point with Oceania stations other than VK/ZL. Final score: Multiply total QSO points by the sum of VK/ZL call areas worked on all bands. (The same area worked on different bands counts as a separate multiplier.) Send RS(T) plus serial starting with 001. Usual log info, underline each new VK/ZL area worked. Log each band separately. Separate summary to include call, name, address, equipment details and band breakdown delineating QSOs and areas worked on each band. All-band score uses the sum of multipliers worked on all bands. Usual signed declaration. Certificates and plaques will be awarded. Logs should be

posted to reach the committee before Jan. 31, 1978. Logs go to Contest Mgr., Jock White, ZL2GX, 152 Lytton Road, Gisborne, NZ.

6: West Coast Qualifying Run (W6OWP prime, W6ZRJ alternate) 10-35 wpm at 0400Z (Universal Coordinated Time, abbreviated UTC, with Z shown as a time designator). The run will take place at 9 P.M. PDST local clock time the night of October 5. Frequencies are approximately 3590/7090 kHz. Dates are always shown several months in advance and times are always the same local Pacific time, 9 P.M. Underline one minute of the highest speed you copied, certify that your copy was made without aid, and send to ARRL for grading. Please include your full name, call (if any) and complete mailing address. A large, stamped, addressed envelope will help to expedite your award/endorsements.

8-9: CD Party cw, open to all appointees and officials, notified separately by bulletin. (Eligibles operate any 20 hours out of the 30-hour period; times off 15 minutes or more. Party starts 2300Z Oct. 8 and ends 0500Z Oct. 10.) RSGB 21/28-MHz Telephony Contest, open to all. A station, whether fixed, portable or mobile may be worked only once on each band, single op. only. Each complete QSO with a British Isles station earns 3 points. Final score is the no. of points times the total no. of British Isles prefixes worked on each band. Pertinent prefixes: G/GC/GD/GI/GM/GW 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8. Contacts with GB stations do not earn points or multiplier credit. Entries should be sent to D. J. Andrews, G3MXJ, 18 Downsview Crescent, Uckfield, Sussex, England. They should be posted to arrive not later than December 6, 1977. VK/ZL/Oceania Contest phone, see Oct. 1-2 listing. QRP QSO Party, sponsored by the QRP ARC international, starts 2000Z Oct. 8, ends 0200Z Oct. 10; open to all. Members send RS(T) and state (or province or country) plus QRP number where applicable. In lieu of QRP number nonmembers send power input. Stations may be worked once per band for QSO and multiplier credit. Member QSOs count 3 points, others 2 points. Stations other than W/VE count 4 points. Final score equals QSO points times number of multipliers per band times power multiplier. (Over 100 watts input times one, 25-100 watts times 1.5, 5-25 watts times 2, 1-5 watts times 3, less than 1 watt times 5.) Suggested frequencies: cw, 3540 7040 14065 21040 28040; ssb, 3855 7260 14260 21300 28600; Novice, 3720 7120 21120 28040 (all plus/minus 5 kHz). Certificates. Send full log data including name, address, bands, equipment, power to QRP ARC Contest Chairman WSTVW, E. V. Sandy Blaize, 417 Ridgewood Drive, Metairie, LA 70001. Logs must be received by November 30.

12-13: YL Anniversary Party, cw, sponsored by the Young Ladies' Radio League, from 1800Z Oct. 12 through 1800Z Oct 13; open to all licensed women operators (phone, session Nov. 3-4). YLRL members only are eligible for the cup awards. OM contacts will not count. Call CQ YL. All bands, no cross-band. Only one contact with each station, regardless of bands used. Exchange call, QSO number, report and ARRL section or country. Usual signed log info. Note that phone and cw are separate, requiring separate logs. All YLs within a section score one point for a YL QSO in a section, two points for a YL not within an ARRL section (i.e. DX). Contestants running 150-watts input or less on cw multiply score (contact points X sections/countries) by 1.25; ssb contestants running 30-watts PEP or less may multiply

the score by the same 1.25 factor. Signed logs must be postmarked by November 21 and received by Dec. 16. Logs go to Carol Bourne, WA9NEJ, 362 Hawthorne, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137.

15-16: CD Party phone, see Oct. 8-9 listing. RSGB 7-MHz DX Contest, cw, from 1800Z Oct. 15 to 1800Z Oct. 16 (phone next month). Exchange report and serial (starting with 001). Non-British Isles stations score 5 points for each contact with the British Isles (those outside EU 50 points). All may claim a bonus of 20 points for each British Isles numerical prefix worked (i.e. G/GC/GD/GI/GM/GW 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8). GB contacts invalid. (Non-FUs must have at least 10 QSOs to qualify for an award.) Entries must be addressed to the HF Contests Committee, c/o J. Bazley, G3HCT, Brooklands, Ullenhall, Solihull, West Midlands, England, to arrive no later than Dec. 12 for the cw contest and Dec. 24 for the phone event. WADM Contest, celebrating the anniversary of the foundation of the German Democratic Republic, from 1500Z Oct. 15 to 1500Z Oct. 16. Cw operation only, all bands from 80 through 10. Call CQ WADM. Send RST, plus consecutive serial starting with 001. Work only DMs. Each station may be worked once per band. A complete QSO 3 points, incomplete contacts or logging errors make the contact worth 1 point. Each DM district per band counts one multiplier. The final multiplier is determined by the sum of all districts worked on all bands. The special stations DM7, DM8 and DM count for a multiplier only on the band on which the station is worked for any missing district. The DM districts are the last letter of calls (A through O). Maximum multiplier of 73. Categories are single operator all band, multioperator stations all band and SWLs. Please use separate logs for each band and include the usual summary and declaration. Mail logs within 30 days to Radio Club of the GDR, DM Contest Manager DM2ATL, DDR 1055 Berlin, P. O. Box 30, German Democratic Republic. (Applications for all DM awards may be sent with the logs but please use separate application sheets for each award.) Manitoba QSO Party, from 2200Z Oct. 15 through 0200Z Oct. 17, sponsored by the Amateur Radio Clubs of Manitoba commemorating the 25th anniversary of the Amateur Radio League of Manitoba, ARLM. The same station may be worked on each band and mode. VE4 to VE4 and 2-meter simplex QSOs are permitted. VE4 mobiles can be worked each time they change municipalities. Exchange RST, name and QTH (municipality). Each QSO counts 1 point. VE4s multiply the number of QSOs times the number of states, VE provinces and DX countries worked. All others multiply the number of QSOs times the number of Manitoba municipalities, local government districts, provincial parks and forest reserves (maximum of 134), times the number of ARLM members worked. Suggested frequencies: ssb, 3770 3905 7195 7230 14190 14285 21245 21355 28600; cw, 3705 7105 14065 21205 28205. Awards. Mailing deadline November 12. Send log data and usual signed declaration to Doug Bowles, VE4QZ, 1104 First St., Brandon, MB R7A 2Y4, Canada.

19: WIAW Qualifying Run, 10-35 wpm at 0200Z, transmitted simultaneously on 1.835 3.58 7.08 14.08 21.08 28.08 50.08 and 147.555 MHz. This is 2200 EDST (10 P.M. local Eastern time) the night of October 18. Underline one minute of the highest speed copied, certify that the copy was made without aid and send it to ARRL per the instructions under the October 6 listing.

22-23: Canadian Amateur Radio Teletype Group (CARTG, VE3RTT) 17th annual RTTY DX Sweepstakes, 0200Z Oct. 22 to 0200Z Oct. 24. No more than 30 hours of operation is permitted. Nonoperating periods can be taken at any time during the contest (indicate "off times" in the log). All amateur bands authorized for F1 emission. Countries per ARRL Countries List with KL7/KH6/VO to be considered as separate countries. Classifications are single operator (single transmitter), multioperator (one transmitter), SWL printer. Individual operators of multioperated stations may submit their logs singly instead of a group entry. Messages to include message no., time in UTC and zone (see chart, p. 52, Sept. 74). All complete contacts with one's own zone count 2 points, all others will receive points listed in the zone charge. Additional contacts permitted on different bands. Each country contacted (including your own) on each band counts as a multiplier. Each U.S. and VE district counts as a separate multiplier. Final score: Total exchange points times number of multipliers times number of continents (maximum of six). Add 100 bonus points for each VE/VO contact on all bands. Separate logs for each band. (Note, logs and zone charts available from the CARTG for an s.a.s.e.) Logs must be received before Dec. 31. Plaques, medallions, certificates. Mail entries to Canadian Amateur Radio Teletype Group, 85 Fishers Road, Willowdale, Ontario, Canada M2L 2G9. CQ-WE Contest; Bell Lab's Murray Hill ARC is host. Western Electric, Bell Labs, AT&T, AT&T Long Lines and Teletype Corp. employees/retirees. For rules send s.a.s.e. to W2EME. Session 1 on Oct. 22, 1700-2200Z hf/vhf phone; session 2, Oct. 22 2300Z through Oct. 23 0400Z hf/vhf/RTTY; session 3, Oct. 23 1700-2200Z hf/vhf cw/RTTY; session 4, Oct. 23 2300Z through Oct. 24 0400Z hf/vhf phone. Info submitted by Robert L. Brown, W2EME, chairman, Murray Hill ARC, 65 Hillside Ave., Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922. Indiana QSO Party, sponsored by the Indiana Radio Club Council, the full

period UTC. All bands, no 2-meter repeater operation. Contacts should be numbered and the state/country/province used. Novice contestants welcomed. Activity recommended in the lower frequencies of the bands; avoid nets. The same station may be worked on cw or phone and on other bands. Single or multiop. No minimum contacts required. Certificates for any special achievements. Reports must be received by Nov. 30. Send to J. McClain, W9KMY, 700 E. North St., Kokomo, IN 46901.

23: WIAW Qualifying Run, 10-35 wpm, at 2300Z. This is 1900 EDST (7 P.M. local Eastern time) on the 23rd. All other details per the Oct. 19 listing.

29-30: CQWW Contest, phone, full period UTC, 160 through 10 meters. Single op both single band and multiband, multiop (all band operation only) with single transmitter and multitransmitter. Exchange report plus CQ zone. A station in a call area different than that indicated by its call sign is required to sign portable. A multiplier of one for each different zone on each band and a multiplier of one for each different country contacted on each band. You may work your own country and zone for multiplier credit. CQ Zone Map, ARRL Countries List, WAE country list and IARU WAC boundaries are standards. Contacts between stations on different continents are worth 3 points, between stations on the same continent but in different countries one point. Note: For North Americans only contacts between stations within the N.A. boundaries count two points. Contacts between stations in the same country are permitted for zone or country multiplier credit but have zero point value. Final score is the result of multiplying total QSO points by the sum of your zone and country multiplier. Single ops, must show a minimum of 12 hours of operation to qualify for an award, multiops a minimum of 24 hours. A single-band log is eligible for a single-band award only. Awards. Usual log format and summary with all info and signed

declaration. All entrants are required to submit cross-check sheets for each band on which 200 or more QSOs are made. All entrants are encouraged to do likewise. Each dupe found by the committee will result in a penalty of three additional contacts being removed. Logs, summary and zone maps available from CQ, send a large s.a.s.e. with sufficient postage. Postmark entries no later than Dec. 1 for the phone section and Jan. 15, 1978, for the cw section (cw event scheduled for Nov. 27-28). Logs go to CQWW Contest Committee, 14 Vandeventer Ave., Port Washington, LI, NY 11050.

NOVEMBER

2: West Coast Qualifying Run (W6OWP prime, W6ZRJ alternate), 10-35 wpm at 0500Z (Universal Coordinated Time, abbreviated UTC, with Z shown as a time designator). The run will take place at 9 P.M. PST local clock time the night of November 1. Frequencies 3590/7090 kHz, approximately. Other details under the Oct. 6 listing.

3-4: YL/AP phone, see Oct. 12-13 listing.

5: Frequency Measuring Test, open to all, begins with a callup at 0300Z and 0600Z, Nov. 5. Remember, this is the evening before, Nov. 4, by local time. The periods for measurement start at 0307 (20 meters), 0315 (40 meters) and 0323 (80 meters); for the late run, 0607, 0615 and 0623, respectively. Each measuring period lasts five minutes. Submit your averages for each five-minute period which will be compared with the umpire's averages during the same period. (The umpire is a professional measuring laboratory.) Tell how many readings you took to form your averages. Approximate frequencies for the early run are 14,122, 7050 and 3522 kHz; late-run frequencies are 14,098, 7052 and 3531 kHz. Your report must be received by Nov. 17 to qualify for the January QST report of the competition. WIAW will start transmitting the official results in a special bulletin Nov. 23.

QST

Strays

AMATEURS RESPOND TO NYC BLACKOUT

As they are likely to do when the occasion arises, area hams responded almost immediately when the lights flickered then died in and around New York City on the steamy evening of July 13.

All over the city, amateur rigs gasped then died at 9:24 as the lightning-caused power failure spread darkness across the nation's largest city and most of its suburbs.

Within seconds of the blackout, hams began putting their SET and emergency-net training to use. Two meters, focusing on 146.52-MHz simplex, became the center of local communications, as thousands of 2-meter operators vied for airspace — often just to make themselves available for providing assistance.

At Shea Stadium in the Borough of Queens, the Mets and Cubs were interrupted by the sudden darkness. Immediately, hand-held units were pressed into service, as a diverse group of amateurs began to monitor the crowd's forced departure from the stadium. No one was able to get their exact calls in the confusion, but two Dominican hams were prominent among those helping out by monitoring exit ramps.

Base stations operating on battery power came back to life soon after the power failure began, as did repeaters. In some cases, the groups of control operators had to climb 70 or 80 flights of stairs to reach repeaters located on New York's highest buildings.

Once they came on again, nets were set up on several New York-area machines, including WR2ADC atop the Chrysler Building. Two New Jersey repeaters and several others in nearby Connecticut and Pennsylvania handled traffic when it was most needed.

WR2AHU on the RCA building, had been

off the air for technical repairs the night of the blackout, but Dave Hubby, W2SNM, and his control operators got it going the next day and handled a large amount of emergency traffic.

Perhaps in no area were amateurs more helpful than in assisting the overburdened police department. With emergency frequencies and phone lines hopelessly jammed, and their repeaters knocked off the air, the police relied on the likes of Bruce Martin, WA2KJJ, Wally Shapiro, WA2OHN, Dave Mimott, WA2EXP, Steve Mendelsohn, WA2DHF, and Jerry Cudmore, WA2TLI, to transfer messages from hams in all parts of the city to mobile stations.

Some amateurs with hand-helds rode in patrol cars to provide communication back to the precincts and to receive emergency traffic from other amateurs for police follow-up. This aspect of the emergency was covered widely in the city's media.

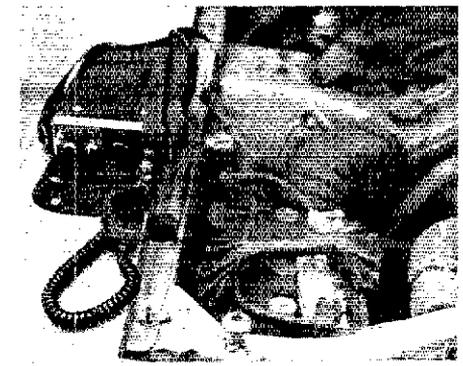
Base station operators relayed reports of looting, cardiac arrests and other emergencies from mobile operators.

In appreciation, the NY City Chief of Police commended all the amateurs who assisted, many of whom volunteered their services by walking into the nearest precinct house on their own initiative. Three of the most active volunteers have been recruited to set up a permanent network of hams who can provide emergency services in the event of another city-wide disaster.

After nearly 24 hours of nonstop public service, a city of weary amateurs (including one who went through three car batteries to stay on the air) called it a day. It seems ironic that an emergency which was created by a lack of electricity was made a little bit easier to bear by practitioners of a hobby that is so deeply intertwined with that force. — John Edwards, WB2IBE and others



Ron Morasse, WB2DWK, maintains contact with a passenger aboard a stranded subway train.



A common mode of operation during the power failure. One ham ran down three car batteries before the lights came back on.

Station Activities

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CANADIAN DIVISION

ALBERTA: SCM, Sydney T. Jones, VE6MJ — It is with sincere regret that I learned of the passing of VE6KX of Calgary. John was one of the Old Timers and was very active. VE6ADQ, VE6HR, VE6OY, VE6WK and VE6N attended the Okanagan International Hamfest. VE6AT attended the Okanagan International Hamfest. VE6AAT had a short visit to Edmonton but is now back on the lookout station at Nose Mt. VE7JY was a recent visitor to Edmonton. VE6KO has been reclassified as a Class 1 Official Observer following the excellent showing in the May FMT. VE6GM also made an excellent showing in the same test. VE6XC reports a fine attendance at the Glacier-Waterton International Hamfest.

MANITOBA: SCM, Steve Fink, VE4FQ — We welcome four new ECs and invite everyone to join AREC. New ECs: VE4XN Brandon, VE4TE Neepawa—Minnedosa, VE4JK Carman, VE4FK Pinawa. Pinawa AREC provided communications for a local canoe race in July. Newest ARRL Life Member is VE4OY, Winnipeg Repeater. VE4XK now signing as VE4WPG, which Brandon's VE4BDN going solid state this Fall. VE4JK 3rd Mt. FMT. VE4FQ 16 sessions, 64 QNT, 47 QTC, MEPPN: 31 sessions, 833 QNT, 45 QTC, 45 QTC, all set on the 1977 Manitoba QSO Party Oct. 15-16! Traffic: VE4PQ 10L, VE4UL 45, VE4HX 34, VE4B 12, VE4AD 11, VE4NM 10, VE4FK 9, VE4PA 7, VE4QJ 7, VE4OD 6, VE4VV 6, VE4JA 4, VE4LN 4, VE4XN 4, VE4CR 3, VE4FQ 3, VE4GB 3, VE4IM 2, VE4YQ 2, VE4IS 1, VE4JP 1, K3ZVH4 1.

MARITIME & NEWFOUNDLAND: SCM, Aaron D. Solomon, VE1OC — Asst. SCM: VO1GF, SEC: VE1DI, PAM: VO1IN, RM and APN: Murr: VE1ACU, NIN Mgr: VO1GW, VE1DI in co-op. CARC and SPARC set up ARRL Am. Radio Demonstration station in P.E.I. handling over 20 messages & phone patches. Congrats. Sydney ARC committee under VE1QD and VE1IG set up CGICR at Int. Girl Guide Camp in Cape Breton handling almost 1200 formal messages thru APN, 11 and 20-meter phone. Congrats to all operators. In July there were several excellent 2-meter and 4-meter outings. Many VE1s took advantage of a Lond. MARC. VE1s took advantage of a Lond. MARC. VE1AUT & AZT sent Charter Cert. to all members. VE1ACA & XL headed up successful Lobster Car Rally. MARC hosp. incl. VE1s KA NT PI UNB and Picou ca. ARC now affiliated ARRL Clubs. VE1PZ has given talk on Hazards of Non-Ion Radiation. DOC has auth. use of CV for VE and CK for VO for remainder of Queen Elizabeth's Jubilee Year. SONRA has XOLC's ready for traffic from Can. Summer Games. VO1NP & NB gave int. interview on CBC Nat. Radio on Amateur Radio Field Day operations. VE1AG and KIDZ spent vacations in VO-Land. VO1CU busy running phone patches for Can. Forces/SL. APN Sess. 31, QNT 146/21, QTC 314/301; NTN Sess. (June) 17, QNT 42, QTC 2; NTN Sess. (July) 13, QNT 39, QTC 3. Traffic: (July) CGICR 2940, VE1IG 670, VE1AKL 595, VE1AMR 397, VE1ACU 362, VE1IHJ 154, VE1ZH 95, VE1ASR 74, VE1EJ 44, VE1AAQ 42, VE1ABG 28, VE1AMB 6, VO1GW 4. (June) VO1GW 2.

ONTARIO: SCM, Larry Thivierge, VE3GT — Asst. SCM: Norman Nilmons, VE3GL. Latest addition to the PL club is the EC's past pres., Norm Doreen, VE3SZ, who has retired to the Toronto Islands. Norm will be sorely missed in Deep River where he has resided since 1958. A dinner was held in his honour and a presentation made by the local area amateurs. VE3APK has been appointed EC for Oakville. VE3IGR has had Advanced. ORS VE3ISW is mastering a new keyer. We welcome the following ARRL Life Members: VE3s RA SH BKB BLP CRJ DOR DOR DMB CUK RM EBF HIR FRU FQJ GK GHJ IKK and FVR. 1500 pieces of formal traffic, 1200 outgoing and 300 incoming was handled by CGICR at the Girl Guide Camp near Sydney, N.S., on the banks of the Mira River. The Ont. Phone Net operates nightly at 1900 local on 27.6 KHz to handle formal traffic and I would like to see more representation from the cities of south-western Ont., especially from the Kitchener-Waterloo area as many times traffic goes undelivered for this part of the province. Regrettably I announce the following are Silent Keys: VE3s GMM HO UM and GAX. VE3ALJ is enjoying good summertime DX on VHF with new rig. K3KX is forming a CW Wx Net for the Great Lakes and adjacent areas on 7.105 KHz at 1130. Interested Wx buffs can get details from Jim at 100 Redwood Ter., Williamsville, NY 14221. VE3EY provided the Windsor ARC with an informative talk on his duties as Harbour Master. Ottawa ARC held a successful antique display at the Carlingwood Mall, including coverage of the local TV repeater. VE3STP to be all solid state shortly. New amateur is VE3JRC. Congrats to VE3s HDH FMJ and FDX on obtaining their Advanced. VE3AQJ was voted the Albert Yates Memorial Award winner by the Northorn ARC. VE3CDK is enjoying holidaying in GI-Land where he has met many old friends. Oct. CD Party is an "open" event. CW on the 1st and second with phone on the fifteenth and sixteenth. Good luck to all contestants. Traffic: (July) VE3GL 522, VE3SB 506, VE3HGJ 322, VE3IG 203, VE3ISW 133, VE3GFN 125, VE3DPO 112, VE3GT 109, VE3EWD 86, VE3BDM 62, VE3APK 55, VE3DV 47, VE3ATR 46, VE3EJC 45, VE3EJC 25, VE3AW 23, VE3EHL 13, VE3BLM, VE3EJC 13, VE3JJA 1. (June) VE3GN 15, VE3FHQ 4, VE3GDC 2.

SASKATCHEWAN: SCM, Percy Groat, VE5RP. There is a lot of interest in WARC and I would like to see our affiliated clubs pass on information which they receive from ARRL-ARRL. Watch for increased Canadian content in QST and other publications but out for affiliated clubs. SATN will be in operation

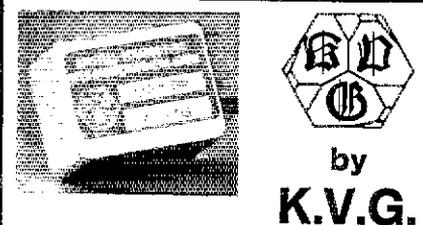
each evening at 6:30 PM on 3690.5 KHz. The SSB net is in operation at 7:30 PM on 3750 KHz. All nets are open for your participation. Our traffic nets were very successful last year and we are hoping for a better season this term. If you should require information concerning any net please contact VE5RP or VE5KN. Traffic: VE5HP 70, VE5QV 26, VE5BO 11, VE5WV 10, VE5RP 8, VE5DL 6, VE5AAG 3.

ATLANTIC DIVISION

DELAWARE: SCM, Roger E. Cole, W3DKX — SEC: W3PQ, RM: W3GQ, PAM: W3DUM, PSRR: K3YHR 49, W3WPY 47, W3PQ 44, W3JZY, DTN regular and W3EVE were among those doing an excellent job handling Johnstown Flood traffic. It appears that most urgent need in a disaster area is for 4 wheel drive vehicles that can provide power to operate 2-meter and 70-meter equipment. It would be well for each Delaware Club to check the availability of such vehicles in their area. W3FEB is now W3QQ and K3NEZ is W3HE. DTN: QNT 295, QTC 38. DEPN: QNT 69, QTC 6. Traffic: (July) W3PQ 148, W3WPY 84, W3DKX 35, W3WY 34, W3QQ 33, W3WD 20, K3YHR 14. (June) K3HPB 5.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA: SCM, Geo. S. Van Dyke Jr., W3HK — SEC: W3BFB, RM: W3SKU, W3YJG, PAM: W3PZO, W3AWJ, Net reports: PFN QNT 398, QTC 662; AREC (2) QNT 7; FPAE&TN QNT 279, QTC 150. Reports are still slow! DO reports: W3CL, W3KCM. OBS reports: W3TI, W3CL, DVS reports: W3GO, W3BJQ, W3AZE, W3NDQ, W3CL, BPL, W3COL, W3VR, K3NSN, W3PZO, W3WJQ, N3KZ, W3TQ, W3TI, W3BSV, PSRR: W3WJQ, N3KZ, W3PZO, W3BSV. Traffic status up, almost everyone involved in the Johnstown Flood traffic. W3ID reports 10M net useless until long skip is over! W3WRE was in need of communications to Johnstown and used Ham Radio. Says she knew we were good but not so good an answer would be back in less than a couple hours! Thank to the guys that send in their reports before they go on vacation and not late after they return! EPA must be a wealthy sector, much new equipment being put in to service. W3GMK reports that finding replacement parts is harder than redesign and rebuilding! W3EU reports spark rigs much simpler to service. DOs report air ways pretty clean! Hope all those active in Johnstown Flood mode reports to ARRL no matter how small your effort was report it! Tamaqua gang real active in flood, now starting classes for hams. W3HYT now K3AI, W3NIG now W3KM. K3ET did FB job at Allentown Ham Fest. W3WY, W3TI, W3OK clubs all participated. Lehigh Valley ARC, Lehigh Valley Cross, during Johnstown Flood. Hope all the summer mail is finished. Traffic (July) W3CL 4368, K3NSN 3650, W3PZO 16276, W3VR 1048, N3KZ 771, W3WRE 677, K3KW 509, W3WQP 505, W3THT 446, W3ATG 418, W3TI 319, W3BSV 141, K3NGN 138, W3BFB 141, W3PQ 131, W3BVP 65, W3NDQ 64, W3WY 43, W3QJ 43, W3WRE 28, W3ADE 24, W3PZ 20, W3ID 19, K3HX 19, W3YHR 19, W3BKV 16, W3CKA 16, K3FD 16, W3CL 12, W3WAC 11, K3IJ 10, W3AXA 9, W3WQ 4, W3YDC 4, W3HK 3, W3RJ 3, W3BR 1, W3AI 1, W3BJQ 1, W3EU 1, W3GMK 1, W3GOA 1. W3KCI (June) W3NRV 56, W3ID 16, W3GMK 1, W3YDC 1.

MARYLAND — DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: SCM, Karl R. Medrow, W3FA — Know you SEC: N3I, your EC. Volunteer your services for preparedness. W3B3DC joins W3PRW and K3ORW on the PSRR for July. W3AQB is glad to be active again. W3ZNV was hospitalized 2 weeks in June and in the mend. K3HP sorting cards for DXCC. W3KCY got ST2SA after a 2 year wait. W3FCI makes the news with his new work schedules. W3SKX is building super power rig. W3WBY finds 10 open to Europe. 6 stateside and 2 meters to VE1. W3B3DX eyeing a new tower at the new QTH. W3ZTW is getting out of school education! W3BHE worked himself into the sick bed during Johnstown. W3AZK is our new YL. ORS. Congrats. W3TJR/W3B3EN is now in Maryland, but no new call planned. QOs reporting W3B3E, W3KCY, W3RSK, W3J5Z and W3SKX. W3B3GO operated K3B3SF in his Bavarian Leather Shorts. K3OMN and W3DFW spearheaded the Cumberland contingent to Johnstown. W3FNN, W3AXV, W3B3MR, W3B3Z, W3CFC, W3B3PQ, W3K3GR, W3Y5F and W3WSW, W3AQV, W3BHE, W3WRE, and W3OYY held down the home front circuits. W3NKF and K3AF were heard and busy. Many others participated including K3CMY and W3HEM but full reports are not in to the SEC at this time. With the nets: Mgr. Sessions/TIC/QNT/Avg.: MDD, W3QQ (W3EBB) 62/135/6.1, Top Brass: W3PQ (K3KJ) 21/69/19.2, 100 percenters W3ADQ and W3ZRY. Others: W3LDD, W3OMN and W3PRW. MDCTN, K3ORW 18/11/13.5, MDC PON, W3OYY, 4/14/18.5, WR PON, W3DFW, 18/44/13.5, W3U3Y is fixing his own rig break down. W3PRW has 4 bassins and 2 coming with his at work code classes. W3CVE was on Channel 5. The resultant publicity made his traffic total hop. He got one telephone call from San Diego — a former neighbor! W3IKA opened a slow hamming month a busy working month. It is hot and humid, but you will read this cool and raring to go! The Ham Arundel News of the Anne Arundel Radio Club is getting larger. Galtersburg is Oct. 23rd. See you there. Traffic: (July) W3CVP 65, W3FA 158, W3B3DC 84, W3BHE 80, W3U3Y 65, K3ORW 46, W3PRW 36, W3IKA 35, W3ZAK 35, W3ZV/3 25, W3AQB 19, W3FV 13, K3HPG 6, W3WBY 3, W3FCI 2. (June) W3ZTW 4.



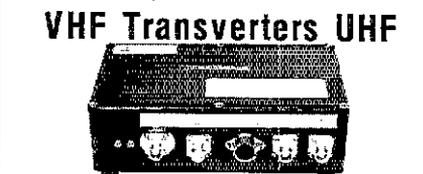
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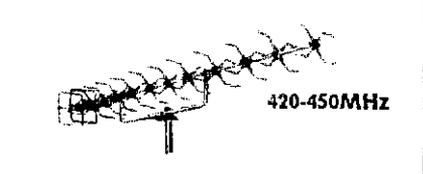
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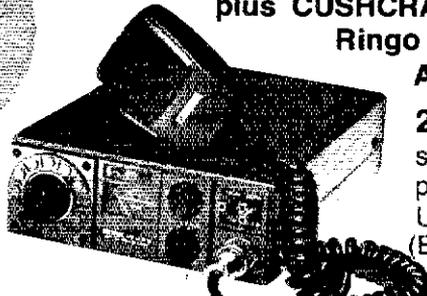


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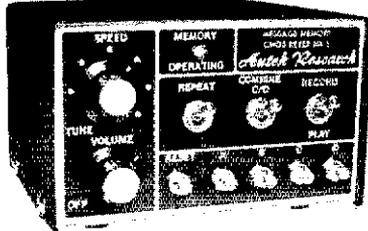
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SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY: SCM, Raymond F. Clancy, WB2GTE — Helping out in the Johnstown Flood was WA3HGK/2 who drove 250 miles to Ebensburg Command center in Co. Court House, stayed 31 days, handled many msg with 40 other hams at several operating positions. WA2EFL reports car accident on 2M to State Police. WB2JFM also called police to accident at Collins Lakes. W2ONW and W2IL have new rigs. WB2JFJ has been on 15 yrs. W2FZP is N2LR. KZ5TD is K2TD. W2UJY is K2IF. W2EPA is N2EF. W2TQ is K1TQ. WB2AFM new QBS. Gloucester Co., NJ, has new meeting place at National Park. SEC W2HOB has issued new Jersey Emergency Plan. WB2NBC has new quad. Delaware Valley RA repairs repeater tower and starts new classes Sept. 29, at the Hopewell Adult School. WB2ZJD a Silent Key. West Jersey Amateurs 946D FD contacts for a score of 3348. WB2JMU now General. W2I has held a combined flood msg, made PSRR. W2ZQ makes BPL. Stone Harbor ARC has plan for disaster alert. SJRA reports successful FD. PAM WB2LCC spent over 40 hrs. handling flood msg. W2PH has new scan converter. WB2PTH loaded up an old rain gutter for ant. when Apt. said no ant. W2PFTQ has 3 nets. WB2AYA reports QRM on WR2AJY. W2I helped Commercial riggers relay. Yonkers River forest fire. Rancocas Valley ARRL plans dinner at Ft. Dix Oct. sez K2BG. Traffic: (July) W2ZQ 690, WB2LCC 60, W2JI 48, WA2WSV 26, W2HF 5, K2BG 4, W2IU 3, WB2GTE 2. (June) WB2LCC 94, WB2WSV 18.

WESTERN NEW YORK: SCM, Joseph M. Hood, K2YA — Asst. SCM: W. B. Thompson, W2MTA. SEC: N2JC. A large number of clubs became affiliates in July and we welcome the following new ARRL affiliated clubs: Carlton Webster Jr. High School ARC, Jefferson County Radio Amateur Club, and Kodak Activities Radio Communications Club. You truly vacationed in Maine again this year where the first station I worked was the Streaked Mountain Repeater was WA1FCM, the SCM for Maine. Small world. NYSTN has been inactive for the summer months. NYS is looking for more traffic. K2QB is interested in forming a Daytime Weather Net for the Great Lakes Area on 1.05 KHz at 1:30 AM. Local Contact him if interested. W2MTA regrettably reports that W2VD is a Silent Key. More new 2 letter calls: W2HVA is now K2AV. WB2EKM is now N2EF. WA2ICU is now N2IC. WB2QKQ is now N2SY. WA2PJL is now W2CS. W2ACNE is now W2JU. and W2FZK is now W2TZ. K2DNN hospitalized for heart surgery was released on July 31. QVS. WA2ELB reports long 2-meter openings in early and mid July. He is also compiling a list of VHF beacons and needs call, freq., modulation mode, info being sent, time on/off radiation pattern and location of beacon. WR2ABF now running a pair of five-foot beams in the phase with their omni and pointed north to cover Rochester better. RRRR plan to move WR2AEI to Cobbs Hill. The AWA National Historical Conference will be held in Dearborne, MI on Oct. 7, 8 and 9. Traffic: W2MTA 175, W2FR 134, W2OE 134, WA2ZJP 98, WA2ELB 81, WA2AIV 32, WA2TPC 23, WA2UR 17, K2GJC 15, W2TZ 15, K2VR 9, WA2DRG 3.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA: SCM, Donald J. Myslewski, K3CHD — SEC: WA3VUP. Asst. SECs: K3SMB, WA3LJW. PAM: K3SMB. RMs: K3AT, W3NEM, W3LOS, W3KUN
Net KHz Time/Days
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It is with deep regret to note the Silent Keys of W3HGW, W3ZDW and W3RFH. The Fayette Westmoreland (FAY-WEST) ARES Net meets on Sun. at 2100 on 146.07/67 MHz WR3AFQ repeater. WB3EVZ and WB3EKB upgraded to General. K3SQP upgraded to Advanced. A reminder to all clubs in the Section to plan Novice code and theory classes this Fall. Notices have been sent to those appointment holders who have not reported on a monthly basis. All active appointment holders will receive endorsements in Sept. The Johnstown Flood of July 20, 1977 will go down in history as a disaster that amateurs were the only source of communications in the flood stricken area. Many WPA amateurs responded to the call to help with emergency traffic between the various relief agencies. Special thanks to the ARES, RACES and out of state operators who spent many sleepless hours manning their radios. An excellent job was done by the WPA CW Traffic Net, 3RN and EAN handling health and welfare messages. Again, thanks fellows for a job well done. The WPA CW Traffic Net had 33 sessions in June with 368 check-ins and handled 133 messages. The WPA Phone & Traffic Net had 25 sessions in July with 250 check-ins and handled 65 messages. PSRR & BPL credits WA3VBM. Traffic: WA3VBM 1110, K3AT 297, K3CHD 228, W3EGJ 225, WA3BSV 141, N3FM 139, K3SMB 110, W3ATQ 95, W3KUN 95, W3KUNZ 95, W3LOS 66, W3AS 22, WB3BTY 20, W3SAV 17, W3SN 10, K3UA 7, K3CR 6, WA3YR 4, W3IDO 2.

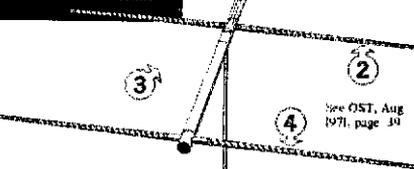
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ILLINOIS: SCM, Edmond A. Metzger, W9PRN — Asst. SCM: Harry Studer, W9RYU. SEC: W9AES. PAM: WA9KFK. RM: W9NJP. Cook County EC: W9HPG.

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III Ph - 3915	1800/1800	M-F	225	131
NCPN - 3915	1300/1800	M-S	295	52
1EN - 3940	1400	Su	4	10

The Schaumburg ARC presented a set of ARRL publications to their area library. WB9GMZ is now a General, also WD9AKB, WA9BTT, WB9VVR and WB9MKT are the new officers of the LaMoine Emergency Amateur Radio Club. The Executive Committee of the League has approved the application of the Okaw Valley Amateur Radio Club for League affiliation. The League's Board of Directors also approved the West Allis application for a 1979 Central Division Convention to be held in the Milwaukee area. WA9BHH presented an interesting program on "Certificate Hunting" at the Joliet Amateur Radio Society Inc. July meeting. WB9POG received his General Class license. Advance reports indicate that numerous clubs are planning to conduct code and theory classes. Please advise ARRL headquarters of your scheduling so that they can set up a clearing house for this information. Field Day results are still pouring in and those attending the annual exercise have been reporting great results. The Western Ill. Amateur Radio

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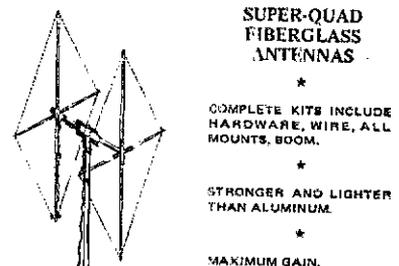
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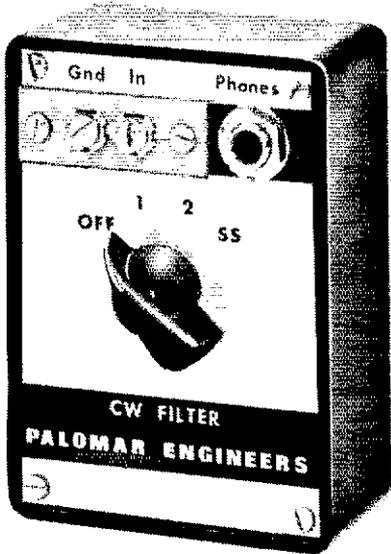
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Club has installed autopatch on their repeater system. NØJA and XYL are the parents of a baby girl born July 1st. W9RVG worked KH6HI on 6-meter CW July 3rd. KH6HI reported that the entire cost was also being worked on that day. The CAND report is 331 messages handled during 59 sessions. RN9D is 88.5% III. representation. The OH QSO party was held on Aug. 27 and 28. Traffic: (July) W9HOT 22, W9KFK 160, W9NKG 159, WA9GBW 148, W9OK 134, W9NJP 125, WA9VEW 106, N8TN 105, W9LNU 104, W9KRL 77, WA9EBT 73, W9LNU 55, WB9JSE 46, W9JL 31, K9EAA 30, WA9GBK 26, W9FLF 24, W9OYL 23, W9PRN 21, K9SW 21, W9LFH 5, W9HPL 3, WB9NEH 5, W9PE 4. (June) W9LNU 28, W9FLF 20.

INDIANA: SCM, M. P. Hunter, W9LF -- The Indy Hamfest is reported to have been the largest ever. W9TE/9 reports a Field Day score of about 9,000 in the 4A class. Congrats to WB9BPG (W9SU), WA9BWW and WA9NPM for 1, 2, 3 finish in the W9 area in the CQWW and WB9LH (N9MM), W9ZRX and K9OTB for top single band 20, 40 and 80. Several locals are well underway with antenna systems. With the reading of this issue of QST, you can mark the beginning of the '77-78 contest season with the CQWW phone test the last weekend of Oct. WB9FGK is the proud new owner of his Extra. W9LTU dumped his C-line for a Kenwood rig. Lake Co. ARES is now meeting on the Lake Co. repeater (147.84/24) at 7:30 P.M. local time on Week days. FWRG sponsored a 3 day public display of ham radio for the enjoyment of many. Congrats to Madison Co. ARC and Miami Co. ARC on their new ARRL affiliation. The following clubs are soon to be placed on the inactive affiliated club list unless annual reports are soon received: Gibson Amateur Radio Club, Kokomo Firebird Radio Club, Grant Co. Amateur Radio Club, INDXERS and Winslow Amateur Radio Society. Net Tfc.: QIN 264, ICN 26, ITN 437, INTN 50, IPON 3, Hoos. VHF 20. Traffic: (July) W9FC 271, K9DC 209, WB9IHR 205, WB9SKA 182, WB9PIR 171, W9GGW 165, W9HUF 154, WB9FOT 156, W9GLW 154, WA9OKK 130, W9TU 130, W9EL 127, WA9TJ 104, WA9GCE 84, K9FZX 83, WB9M 42, WB9EM 42, W9N 40, W9UEM 36, K9TKE 29, WB9OZW 27, WB9GEZ 27, W9PMT 25, K9RWQ 25, K9RPZ 20, WB9FGK 18, WA9OHX 16, WB9DIX 15, K9JQY 14, W9DLF 14, W9EGV 13, WB9HCH 11, WB9SLV 8, W9RTH 8, K9CGS 8, K9EQT 5, W9CMT 3, W9BDP 2. (June) WA9ITB 42, WB9SKA 37, W9TE/9 5.

WISCONSIN: SCM, Roy A. Pedersen, K9FHI -- SEC: K9ZZ. PAMS: W9AYK K9UTQ W9IEM. RMs: K9KSA WB9ICH W9SFL K9LQU K9EN. Nets, freq. time, QNI, QTC, Agr. BWN, 3985, 1145 M-5; 475, 429, W9AYK; BEN, 3985, 1700Z Dy, 856, 156, WB9IEM; W9BN, 3985, 2230Z Dy, 1028, 211, K9UTQ; WNN, 3725, 2215Z Dy, 39, 0, WB9ICH; WIN-E, 3662, 0000Z Dy, 226, 77, W9SFL; WIN-L, 3662, 0300Z Dy, 203, 101, K9LQU; WSSN, 3662, 2330Z M-W-F, 29, 1, K9KSA; WRN, 3662 S, 0030Z, 12, 0, K9EN; Wis Ex PG 345, 2925Z Dy, 3, W9OJL 23, W9OJL 23. W9OJL is now K9JT, New in Baraboo WD9FFM. WB9DWG is also K9APW. K9GA leaving for Iowa. W9OT received plaque for handling 1915 messages. K9CPM received tag for plaque for handling 10374 messages, also W9DND on handling 2565 messages and WB9KPK on handling 1224 messages, these in 1976. If you would like to see a list for handling messages in 1976, please your total points above some of these listed above. WNA picnic attendance was down maybe it was location or other doings at the same time, please let WNA know your feelings. A great big Thank You to the stations that helped in any way for the Phillips area. It's greatly appreciated. W9BN certificate to WB9KAX. (K9LWV is now N9NE -- also operated FD using GRP 3 watt transceiver netting 234 QSOs, 33 states, and 5 Canadian Provinces) (from Intercom). New Novices in Stevens Point area WD9ESL WD9ESM WD9ESV WD9ESW WD9EXS WD9XTX WD9FCG WD9FJJ WD9FIN (From Watts Snoo). BEN certificate WB9ALD WB9OALD K9CPM made traffic: (July) K9CPM 651, W9SFL 185, W9DND 179, W9CXY 173, W9IEM 112, K9FHI 94, K9MZO 69, K9LQU 59, K9UTQ 49, W9UW 45, W9VBQ 40, WB9ICH 39, WB9BRE 38, K9KSA 38, W9IHW 27, WB9JSW 25, WB9KAX 22, N9BE 21, N9CP 20, WB9LKC 8, WB9SXX 6, K9ASC 5, WB9OEC 4, WB9QKH 2, WB9YXY 2. (June) WB9KPK 87, WD9ALD 76, W9OT 36, K9KSA 18, WB9OEC 9, WB9QKH 4.

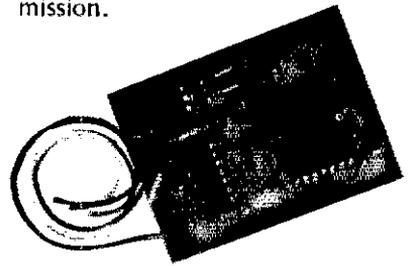
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MINNESOTA: SCM, Gordie Olson, KØEC -- SEC: W9SA. RMs: WB9DFG NØHY, WB9QWH. PAMS: WB9JYT WB9HOX WA9VYT. Net reports: MSN 1 QNI 140, QTC 93, MSN 2 QNI 54, QTC 23, MSPN-Noon QNI 757, QTC 60; MSPN-Evening QNI 806, QTC 185, PAW QNI 3377, QTC 197. O85 repts: W9OSJ K9SFW. We have a new SEC in our section, Dr. Peter Cross, W8SA, Rochester, MN. Congrats. All ECs please note and send your monthly rpts to Peter each month. The Red Lake County Fair had the first ever Amateur Radio demonstration this month. Thanks to: WØDFX WBØPKG WBØUKI WBØUTV and WAØQIT who traveled from Duluth to help with the 3 day event. WBØLRK found a very old copy of a Scientific Magazine in a local store that contained pictures and an article about the First Trans-Atlantic Radio communications. This publication is being forwarded to HQ, and hopefully we will see the pictures and article in a future issue of QST. This month I am going to list some of the very active cw operators in our Section -- the ten reps -- in their order of times they QNI'd the Tenth Regional Net in July: W8BL W9RG K9CVD K9I1 WB9HIF W9LW K9PIZ W9PET W9PGZ W9LW and W9LUP. If you want to increase your cw speed and proficiency, listen to these ops on MSN at 6:30 and 10:15 every evening on 3685 kHz. New call WBØLDW now NØHY, congrats. OK all you contesters, the big one, yes it's Sweepstakes time coming up in Nov. Also FMT and VHF QSO Party. Send me a message as to how you did in the CD Party. P55HR (JUL) WBØHOX KØJTW. BPL: WBØHOX. Traffic: (July) WBØHOX 511, KØCVD 212, WAØVYT 120, WBØJYT 113, NØHY 107, WBØQUE 95, KØPIZ 68, WAØTEC 58, WBØPKG 55, WØHZU 43, WBØQWH 43, WØRQJ 42, KØI1 32, KØEC 31, WBØPGZ 29, WBØNZB 28, WBØCS 24, KØJTW 24, NØJP 14, WBØCL 13, WØUW 11, WØOPX 8, WBØZUR 6, WBØLDO 6, WAØTGM 6, KØ5, FLT 4, KØ5XQ 4, WØUMX 3. (June) WØOPX 10, WØUMX 4.

NORTH DAKOTA: SCM, Mark J. Worcester, WAØWLP -- The Fargo Novice Club finished Summer

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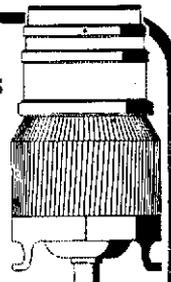
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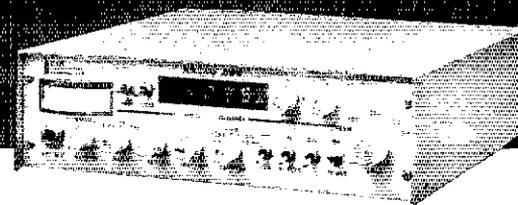
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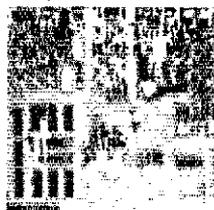


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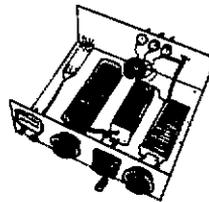
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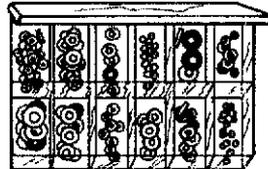
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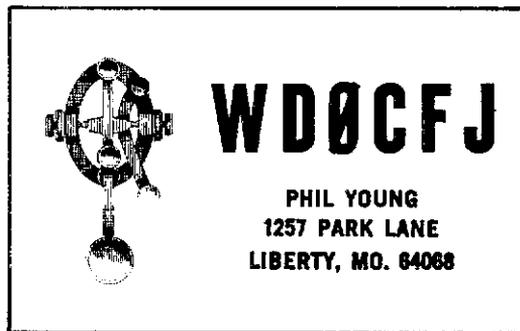
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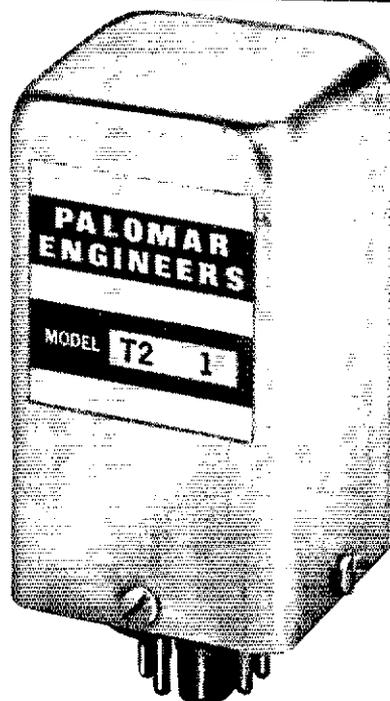
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Net - kHz	CDT/Days	Sess.	QNI	QTC
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Traffic: WA0SUF 31, W0DM 5, WA0JPT 4.

SOUTH DAKOTA: SCM, Ed Gray, W0SD - New Novices from the Huron area are WD0s CFD CXE CXF CXG DBI DBJ DBX DCJ. WA0TMM is the new SEC for S. Dakota and we are looking for Emergency coordinators for several counties. Anyone that is interested should contact Jim W0PTNM also made the PSHR this month with 49 points. WD0DME is a new Novice at Spearfish. WA0LYO is back on the DX bands with a new T5-520. WB7PUG, Spearfish also has a new T5-520 as does WD0DME. Net Reports: W0MZ1, Morning, 242 QNI and 8 GTC; NJG, 685 QNI and 35 GTC; CW, 124 QNI and 58 GTC; Evening Net, 658 QNI and 37 GTC. Traffic: WA0TMM 144, WA0VRE 115, WB0EVQ 39, W0MZ1 19.

DELTA DIVISION

ARKANSAS: SCM, S. M. Pokorny, W5UAU - SEC: WA0WNV, PAM: W5POH, WA5ZVZ, K5MEA, RM: W5MYZ. Nets, kHz Times/Day QNI GTC: Mgr, ARN, 3995, 0030/Dy, 608, 74, K5MEA, GZK, 3760, 0030/Dy, 204, 18, W5MYZ, APN, 3937, 1200/M-S, 679, 44, W5POH, M-Bird, 3928, 2230/M-F, 477, 10, WA5ZVZ, WB5GYE now N5NA, WB5AHN and WB5SPE exchanged wedding vows June 25th, at Russellville. New EC for Pope Co. is W5BLP, W5KJ took part in IARU world tests. Welcome to new hams in Ark. WD5s CPA CPB CPC CPD CPL CPM CPN CPO CPP CPQ CPR CQM CQQ CRF CRO CTF CWB CWF CWW CZU DAN DAK DAL DAR DAM DCO DCP DJU DDE DFD DFL DGA DGD DIJ DIA DJE DJH DJI DJW DJX. Traffic: WA5HNR 96, K5MEA 63, W5UAU 40, W5KJ 4, WB5GQH 3, W5SHY 3.

LOUISIANA: SCM, Robert G. Schmidt, W5GHP - Asst. SCM, John Meyer, W5JFB. SEC: WB5CIG, RM: N5YL, PAM: W5SNEZ, VHF PAM: W5VXC. Regret to report the passing of WA5FNB of Crowley. Jerry was a long time member of LAN, going back to the early 1960s. He will be missed by all traffic handlers. W5MI, or Brusty, in the hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery. The Louisiana Traffic Net Picnic in Alexandria was well attended with 25 members present. Total attendance in the picnic was won by WB5TPG, WB5CDX lost his antenna in high winds. The Tech ARC has started a weekly net on Sun. at 7 PM on their Repeater WR5ASU 147.72/12. All who can work this repeater are welcome to check in. LRN net certificates go to WA5QVN and WA5TQA. New net Mgr. for LSN the slow speed net is WB5OOM. New QRS is WB5OOM, new OPS is K5MC.

Net - Freq.	Time/Days	QTC	QNI	Mgr
LAN - 3615	7 & 10 PM Dy	313	525	N5YL
LTN - 3910	6:30 PM Dy	125	295	WB5NEZ
LSN - 3703	8:30 PM M-F	25	47	WB5OOM
LRN - 3587.5	6:30 PM Su&W	24	10	WB5FHU

Traffic: W5GHP 558, N5YL 478, K5MC 149, WB5CIZ 121, W5BLBR 108, WB5FHU 95, WB5NEZ 69, WB5CDX 38, WB5VJM 35, N5ES 23, K5TTC 18, W5YN 10, K5BLV 4.

MISSISSIPPI: SCM, E. Ed Robinson, W5TYN - SEC: WB5FXA. Newly elected MSBN Mgr. and appointed PAM. WB5SNB announced asst. Net. Mgr. K5QNE and K4RRG, congenials to all. Magnolia DX Information Net, WB5HVY has moved to 2.1400 MHz on Wed. nite 2000 CDST. New on 6-meters WB5MUQ, WB5VSN, WB5TZN. Shannon repeater tower damaged by high winds now back up. Section ARRL appointments being brought up to date. Do you want an appointment? Don't forget to renew your ARRL membership through your club; the club then gets a percentage. DRNS, W5KJ, sec. 29, QTC 248, Ms. Rep. 64% by WA5SNK, W5QOC, WB5MPQ, K5VXV, W5LQB, CAND, W5KLV, sec. 29, QTC 331, Ms. Rep. W5EDT, CGCHN, K5OWK, QNI 2048, QTC 70, MSBN, WB5SNB, QNI 1229, QTC 63, MTN, WB5FHA, QNI 150, QTC 55, MSN, WB5MTQ, QNI 32, QTC 11, Ms. Lou Weather, Net, K5VXV, QNI 93, QTC 3, Shannon ARN, QNI 12, TRG, WB5FHA 97, WB5MTQ 53, W5LSG 50, W5VTN 48, W5WZ 30, WB5SXK 26, WB5SNB 25, K4VXV 17, K5RRG 10, WA5OKI 8, WA5JWD 7, W5RUB 7, W5NCB 6, N5XA 5, W5LL 4, WB5NJZ 2, WB5VFS 2, WB5NGF 1.

TENNESSEE: SCM, O. D. Keaton, WA4GLS - SEC: WB4DYJ, PAM: WB4PRF, RM: WB4DJU, Net Mgr.: WA4EWW, W4PFP, WB4YPO, K4YFC, WA4CNY, WA4WZJ, WB4DZG, WA4EAY, WA4VXV, W4CYL.
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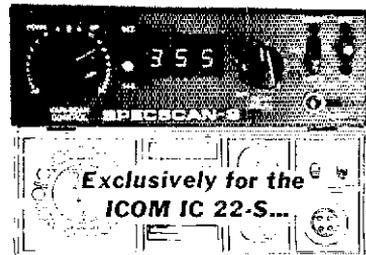
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The Crossville Hamfest was a success as usual, congrats. go to WA4YEM for carrying away the main prize. The Tenn. Council of Amateur Radio Clubs elected the following officers for 1978: WA4GZZ, the chmn.; K4JF, vice-chmn.; WB4WIE, secy.; Treas. the Tenn. Council is meeting on 3.980 MHz at 0300Z Mon. Net Control Certificates have been sent to W4HJR & WA4YSJ. Net Mgr. Certificates have been given to WA4CNY-TNN; K4YFC-TN; WB4YPO-TPN; W4PFP-TPN & WA4EWW-TPN. The outstanding Tenn. Amateur award went to K4LRL. June PSHR: WA4CNY 27, K4YFC 47. Please get in touch with me if you need my services. All affiliated clubs please get your annual reports to ARRL headquarters. As stated

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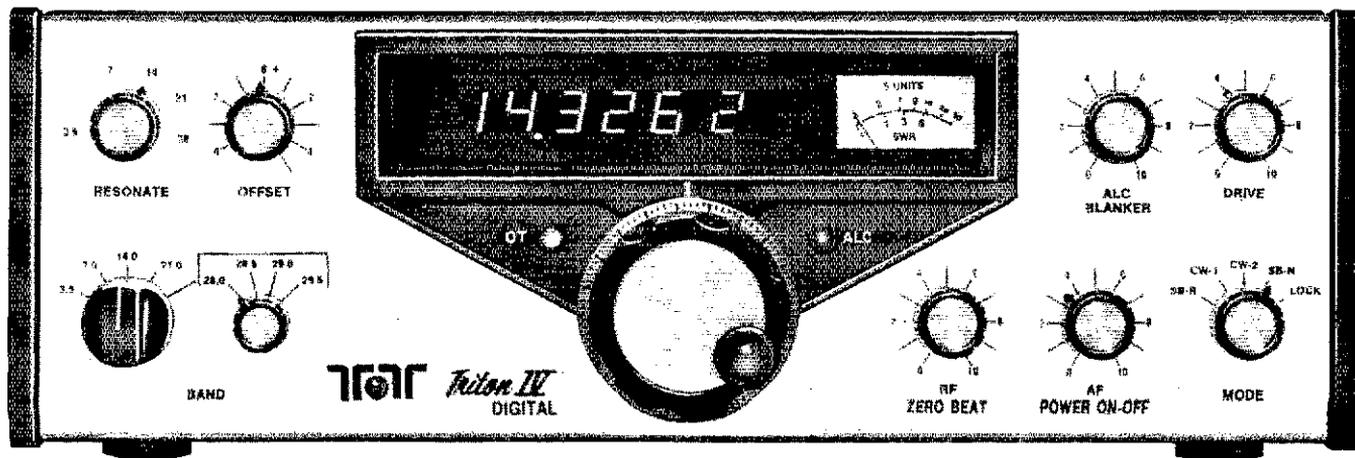
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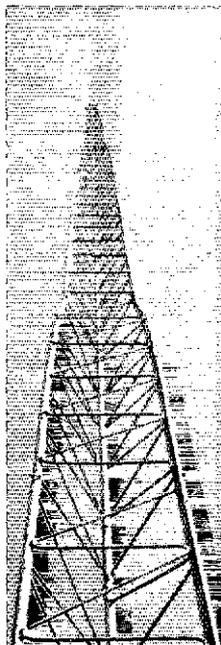
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last month, the traffic report is for June & July combined. Everyone plan to attend the Memfest '77 on Oct. 1 & 2 and Music City Hamfest Oct. 15 & 16. 1977 officers of TABARC are: 41MX, Chmn.; WD4BFJ, vice-chmn.; Kathy Chadwick, secy. Traffic: WA4CNY 245, WB4Z5Z 135, WA4KSO 128, WB4BKF 114, K4CNY 108, WA4VUX 103, WA4KQR 102, WB4RRK 102, K4WWQ 61, WA4WHQ 60, W4OGG 57, WA4DKC 52, WB4FUR 50, WB4GZF 79, WA4GLS 48, K4JSF 48, WB4HOI 42, WB4DYJ 38, WA4LJW 34, W4FSK 29, WA4WXT 29, WB4WHE 25, WA4WVW 28, K4XE 27, W4V5 25, WB4GBI 23, WB4VPO 12, WA4BGH 11, W4PSN 11, W4SGI 11, W4VJW 10, WA4YSJ 9, WB4AYM 6, K4UMW 5.

GREAT LAKES DIVISION

KENTUCKY: SCM, Ted Huddle, W4CID — SEC: WB4ZML. July nets:

Net	QNI	QTC	Net	QNI	QTC
KRN	283	24	KYN	154	78
MKPN	773	82	KSN	32	9
K4IN	685	72	KNTN	395	137
KPON	65	14	6DAREC	61	9

W4BAZ reports good activity on the Novice Net KNTN. Look at net totals above and see proof! W4TPB and WA4UBE have upgraded to Advanced. K4TXJ participated with Louisville RACES in a recent industrial explosion. Early warning for the annual section meeting in Louisville the this weekend in Jan. This is more than SET planning, it's for all appointees. Traffic: W4BAZ 116, WA4AVY 88, WA4IGS 59, K4TXJ 57, W4CID 44, WA4WSM 39, WA4JTE 29, WA4JAV 28, WB4NPD 24, WD4CQF 24, K4HRF 19, W4CDA 19, WA4AGH 18, K4UMN 15, WA4RCD 15, WA4YPO 12, WB4AUN 12, WB4KLC 9, WB4EAK 7, WA4UBE 5.

MICHIGAN: SCM, A. L. Baker, W8TZZ — Asst. SCM: Stan Briggs, W8MPD. SEC: WA8EFK. RMs: W8JYA

WB8NCD PAMS: K8LNE W8SOP, VHF PAM: WA8WVV.

Net — Freq.	Time/Days	QNI	QTC	Sess.
MACS — 3953	1500 Dy	969	459	35
QMN — 3663	22/30/0200 Dy	502	290	61
WSBN — 3935	2301 Dy	780	185	31
GLETCN — 3930	0130 Dy	744	102	31
BRMEN — 3920	2130 Dy	613	31	31
UPEN — 3922	2130 Dy	657	36	36
M6M — 50.7	2301 Dy	101	23	17
VHF PAM Report		456	21	25

Election results. Lansing repeater Assn. WA8OCW, pres.; W8BQD, vice-pres.; K8ZJU, secy.; W8MQW, treas. New licensees, Advanced WB8TNC WB8ZYC. General WB8VPM WD8DVL, Novice WD8KBD, MACS Net amateurs of the Month: Apr. W88ND; May W88JNJ; June K8CCP, Mystic Knights of the Sea Award now available. Contact K8JHA for details New equipment at K8JED is FPM 300 & Swan 1200. W8KZM has DXCC. Who's Who Dept. WA8LUS now W8VL. W8JUP very loud from his new QTH in Ind. New appointees: WD8BZ and WB8VPM CBS. Regretfully I report WB8WVG a Silent Key. No summer slump in Michigan. Record the report received. Traffic: (July) WB8DKQ 746, W8MRM 222, W8SYDZ 181, W8VPW 156, WA8WZF 128, W8RTN 117, WA8RXI 117, W8JYA 115, W8QW 91, W8SOP 89, W8TZZ 86, K8CN 85, W8EJ 85, WA8DHB 84, WB8POL 76, K8DYI 74, K8LNE 72, K8BD 70, W8YIG 67, W7KQU 53, W8BFBG 50, W8NOH 49, W8MO 40, K8ZJU 35, W8IHX 29, W8PDP 26, W8UOQ 26, W8IUC 25, W88DJS 24, W8BITT 22, W88ETB 21, W88DB 20, K8JED 19, W8LDS 19, W8KSF 18, W8VZ 17, W8MPD 16, WA8KBD 15, W8CPY 14, K8DTG 12, WA8LXY 11, W8WV 11, W88AVY 10, W8CUP 9, W8HKL 9, W8SCW 9, K8BZL 8, W8FXR 8, K8MJK 8, W81EL 8, W8FZL 7, W8TBP 7, W88DDV 6, W88JIX 6, W8JUP 6, K8PYN 5, W88DYA 5, W8DCN 5, K8ODY 5, W8QBE 5, W88JF 3, W8JLD 3, W8LOU 3, W8RNQ 3, W8TXM 2, W8WV 2, W88KB 1, W8JAX 1. (June) W8IHX 28, W88T 2, K8JED 15, W88NCD 11, N8AG 4, W8DC 3, W8TXM 2.

OHIO: SCM, Hank Greeb, W8CHT/N8XX — Asst. SCM: WA8RCR. SEC: WA8KRN, RMs: W88LW

WB8KI W8LTA W8BVLK PAMS: W8DIL W8FU W88SI. Net reports (July).

Net — Freq.	Time(Z)	Sess.	QNI	QTC
OEMN — 50.160	0100	31	237	35
BN — 3.577	0200/2245	61	460	208
QNN — 3.708	2230	30	133	34
OSN — 3.577	2210	31	175	72
OSSBN — 3.9725	1430/2000	93	2295	698

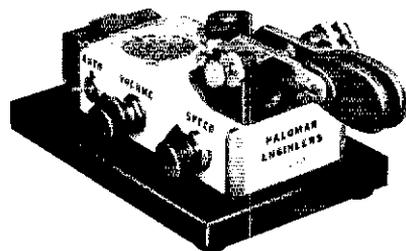
Newly affiliated clubs include Geauga Radio Amateur Assn. (Middlefield), Seneca Repeater Assn. (Tiffin), Univ. of Cincinnati ARC, and Upper Valley ARC (Kenia). Dayton Amateur Radio Club demonstrated Ham Radio at the Air Fair 7/23-24. Clermont County ARES held special SET in conjunction with DSA. K8OCL reports sporadic E on 2 meters to the east coast on July 15. W8CQ set RON participating on down due to summer heat! Ottawa County ARES has a functional repeater W8APB, on 147.66/06. OSN certificates were issued to N8CW K8DL W8DYF W8NI W8JGW W8KNI W8KQJ W88OZA W8P5O W88QXN W88RQK K8RXL W88WEK W88YI W88ZG. K8QB invites QNI Great Lakes Weather Net 7.105 MHz 1530Z daily. Central OH ARES had a simulated Glaciation Watch, with excellent results with 2-meter simplex. Public Service, Emergency Preparedness? Contact your local Emergency Coordinator and volunteer your services. If you don't know your EC, contact WA8KRN or me. Traffic: W88TWS 354, W88CFR 31, W88KKI 244, W8LTA 203, W8DIL 189, W88OMQ 120, W8JGW 114, W8BITP 110, W8TH 99, W8GZK 94, W88AVY 92, K8DL 87, W88MRL 79, K8BYR 76, W88YVI 67, W88GX 60, W88VLR 57, K8LXA 52, W88VEC 52, W88HHN 43, W88VWH 41, W88SI 40, W88TRK 40, W88TS 37, W88CE 36, W88VJL 35, W88PHY 29, W88JUN 28, W88OCE 26, W88LC 26, W88KB 26, W88KPN 24, W88CIU 23, W88KRF 23, W88HT 22, W88COS 18, W88IQ 18, W88ZNC 18, W88RW 16, W88GX 16, W88BHL 15, W88RG 15, N8JR 14, W88EG 14, W88FN 13, W88CQ 11, W88TP 11, N8AA 8, W88LKO 8, K8ONA 8, K8BPX 7, K8CKY 6, W88M 6, W88LI 6, K8ONA 5, K8HF 4, W88JTT 4, W88M 4, W88KDR 3, K8LT 1.

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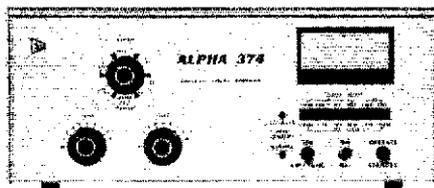
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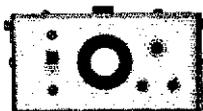
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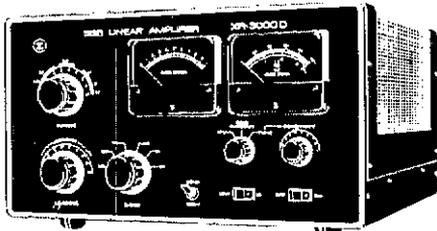
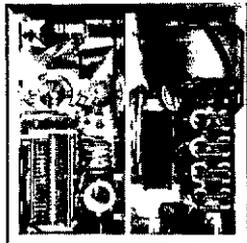
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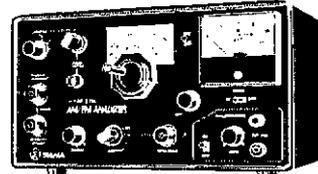
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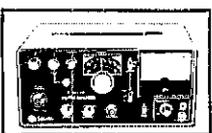


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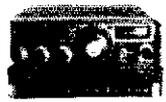
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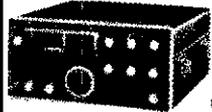


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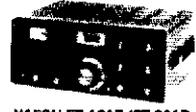
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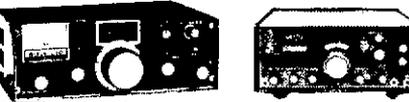
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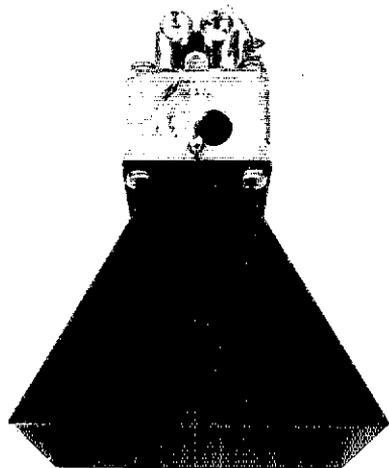
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I urge those of you who do not now support a net to pick your mode & time and check in. Look for you to QNI. Many stations report summer fun and vacations, with activity at the normal summer ebb. Have received a number of letters from prospective hams in the Westchester area. Need help from those willing to teach their nets. Please let me know how you can. Congrats to K2RRR on passing Advanced. Excellent OBS report from WB2COY. Bob also received commendation from ARRL for letter to newspaper rebutting Jack Anderson's column. Losing WB2HVB to 3-Land. Good luck in MD. Bill. Wish to welcome the Adirondack Amateur Radio Club (Glens Falls) to ARRL affiliation. W2CS had a mind-boggling traffic-centered crossword puzzle in the summer NYS bulletin. Still haven't figured it out. WA2YYM is waiting for new TS-520S. Congrats on BPL to WB2EMU (her 2nd) & W2YJR (his 4th). July PSHR: WB2EMU W2YJR WB2HVB W2CS. Traffic: WB2EMU 693, W2YJR 876, WB2HVB 150, W2CS 147, W2ACQ 77, WB2HVB 53, WA2YYM 51, N2EF 47, WA2RRI 41, WB2GOJ 25, WA2CJY 10.

NEW YORK CITY — LONG ISLAND: SCM, John H. Smitte, WB2CHY — SEC, K2HTX PAM: WA2ECO. The following are traffic nets in and around the section:

Net	kHz	Time/Day	Manager
NLI*	3630	1900/2200 Dy	WB2IDP
NLI Phone*	3920	1730 Dy	WA2ECO
NLS*	3730	1800 Dy	WA2BMI
Clear House	3925	1100 Dy	WB2AEK
Mic Farad	3925	1300 M-S	W1DFT
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NYSTPEN	3925	1800 Dy	WA2RSP

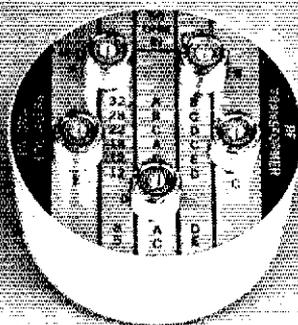
*Denotes Section Net, all times are local. Please try and QNI into the nets, help is needed in all parts of the section. It seems like only a few stations are carrying the heavy traffic. I think the nets have adopted for their motto "We can be very friendly," why not try a few sessions to see what's going on. WB2IDP is now NLI Net Mgr. He will be doing his best to fill the big pair of shoes that WB2LZN left. WB2WFJ now in new QTH in Valley Cottage, NY, which unfortunately is in ENY, which means I lose a fine Asst. SCM. K2TV reports that the Babylon Town 2 mtr net is now held on WR2AKV (146.085/685 MHz) at 1930 local, every Mon, and they will handle traffic into NTS. WB2YKG is now N2RQ. Lots of stations participated in the blackout emergency comm., too numerous to mention in this column, but I do want to pass along my thanks to all that helped and donated their equip. and time. Who says disasters don't hit the big cities. Welcome to the following newly affiliated clubs: Radio Central ARC (WB2FZE, pres.), Russell Sage Jr. H.S. RC (WB2DLP, pres.), Brooklyn Post Office ARC (WA2EUB, pres.), Kings County Post Office (WA2UMY, pres.), Congratulations to W2HF who has received a QSO award for 56 years cont. licensed. He was first licensed at 2HB in 1920. WA2IXG now on the air with a TR33C. The Citibank Club, WA2BTC now has the TR4C for its club station. Officers for the Wantagh ARC are: W2SUM, pres.; WA2KOC, vice-pres.; K2PAY, treas.; K2BPP, sec. WA2KOC, sec. WA2KOC, sec. WA2KOC, corr. sec. Larkfield ARC has resumed their hidden Xmt'r Hunts. Contact WA2YLO or WA2TZP for info. Congratulations to WA2ITA who passed his General exam. Also Grumman ARC now has two new Novices: WB2QDS and WB2QDT. WB2MKI is now act. chmn. for K2RA, replacing WB2GGC, who is also to be congratulated for upgrading his license. Also WA2NDA and WB2MKI who have upgraded to General. The FCC now has new hours, for amateur exams that is. Extra Class exams are given Wed. at 8:30 AM Advanced and General Wed. at 9:30 AM and Tech. on Wed. at 1200 noon, this info comes from K2CAR squeeze Tale. Congratulations to WB2IDP and WA2HTP on making BPL Traffic: (July) WB2IDP 672, WA2ECO 256, W2EC 243, WA2HTP 23, WB2LZN 143, W2MLC 85, W2HXT 24, W2NN 14, WA2BRF 6, K2JFE 6, WA2EUB 3. (June) WA2ECO 139.

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY: SCM, Bob Neukomm, WA2MVQ —

Net	Freq.	Time(PM)/Days	Mgr.
NJN	3695	7:00 Dy	WB2CST
NJN	3695	10:00 Dy	WB2CST
NJSN	3730	8:15 Dy	WB2DFO
NJPN	3950	6:00 Dy	W2QC
NJPN	3950	9:00 A Su	W2QC
PVTN	14 7	8:00 Dy	WA2OPY

SEC: WB2YUF. PAMS: W2QC, WA2OPY (VHF). RMs: WB2CST & WB2DFO. Congratulations to WA2YY on making BPL. New Novices are WA2LEP WA2LNN WB2LNM and WA2PIR. During the New York City blackout the NJPN was alerted with 37 check-ins and stood by to handle traffic. QO report was received from WB2CTR. W2UHX is now W2UH. WA2BSU is N2SW. W2RQ DXCC total 180/163. N2SW has qualified for DXCC. W2UH was a PR man for the Morris and Passaic County AREC FD at their site near Mendham. W2UH is also a new EC and recently acquired an ICOM IC-245. WA2MVQ and WB2GMV from NJNJ were operators at the 9th National Boy Scout Jamboree in Moraine State Park along with K2BS W3LPB K3RC W7VB W1WLU WB2IGW WB9VKO WA7HQU/6 W2GND and WA2BSR. The Jamboree Station was like a week long field day with plenty of rain and mud. Your SCM prepared this during a torrential downpour and had great difficulty copying the NJPN but managed some from NJN. The NJN/NJPN annual picnic was a big success at Shark River State Park. It was good to see W2RQ out of the hospital. WB2IXS and WA2CKV passed their Advanced. The Wayne Adult School will have classes for Novice code and theory. Tech and General theory being taught by WA2CKV. WA2DL is vacationing in Israel. Old Barney Amateur Radio Club will hold Novice classes in Sept. WB2DFO constructed a QRP attenuator that allows 2 milliwatts. W2GD working on Beverage antenna for 1R8/3R5 MCS. Guess he means 160 and 80 meters. WA2BSU reports his new call is W2SLJ. WA2MVQ is teaching a class for General and Advanced at the Ridgewood Adult School. Reports not received from RMs and PAM and will be included in next month's report. Traffic: (July) WB2ASD 488, WA2YY 293, WB2VTT 91, W2SWE 68, W2PA 65, WB2RKM 60, W2RQ 52, K2SE 45, WA2BFC 41, W2MCG 23, W2SQ 20, WA2YXW 20, W2WHF 19, WA2CNF 19, W2CF 19, W2ANU 19, WB2JRC 17, W2CU 16, WA2NLP 14, N2NS 12, W2CVW 8, K2ZFI 8, N2SW 7, WA2DL 5, K2NTJ 2. (June) WB2HSQ 28, W2ZZ 21, W2CVW 5.

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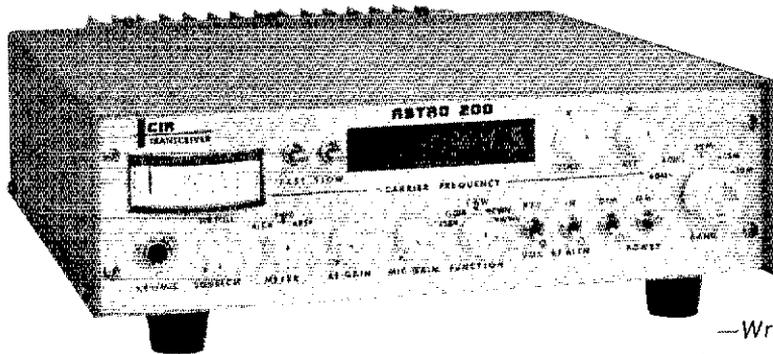
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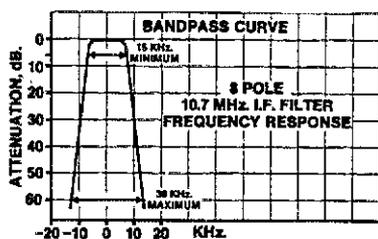
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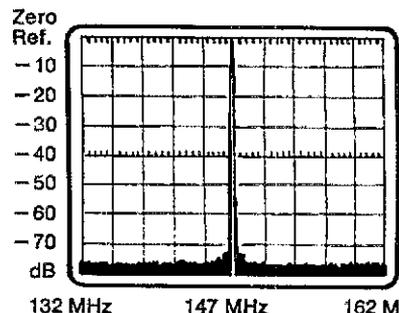
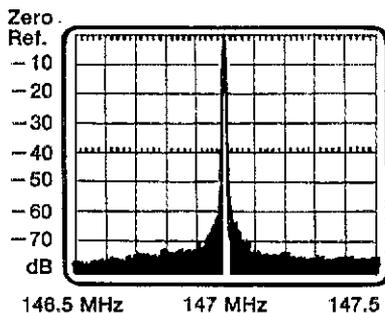
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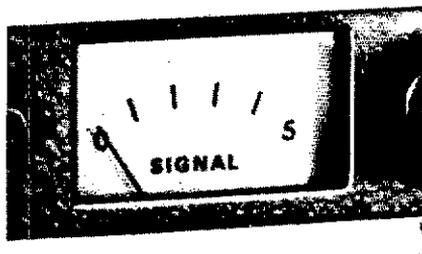


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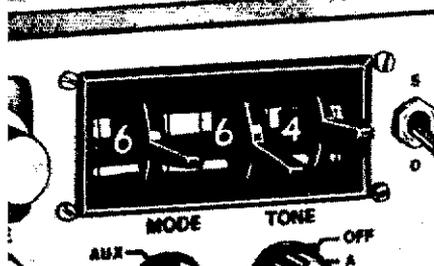


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Accessories give you flexibility

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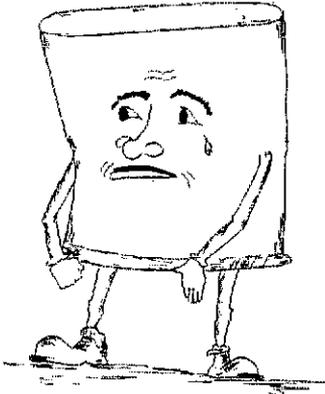
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MIDWESTERN DIVISION

IOWA: SCM, Max R. Otto, W0LFF - SEC: W0YV, PAM/HF: W0AVV, PAM/VHF: K0LKH, RM: K0EJ. Midwest Division Contest will be Oct 7-8-9 at Wichita Souldard Repeater Assn. provided Communications for the National Missouri River Ratt Regatta. Directly involved were W0TLD K0AAR W0YOW W0PWR W0SEZ K0TFT W0WQJ K0BGG W0WGC W0CLM W0TIR W0QMU and W0FHD. W0TGG gave assist to Wis. Badger Emergency Net after their storm. Area Repeater Inc. is a duly affiliated society. K0PNZ moving to Oskaloosa. W0SKP has new 5R220 and TH6DXX beam. W05NVB a YL Extra now living in Des Moines. The youngest known ham is 5 years old and lives in Iowa. More on this later. Congrats Dept: W0DANW W0BUX W0YFM W0VKN W0GSK W0JLU W0QAT new Generals. W0VVK W0DCE W0ZPY W0BBA and W0BBB new Techs. W0SS K0EVH W0SSU W0YLS W0OMV W0LKM W0PYD K0FLY K0JD and K0GP gave Iowa 90% on NTS-TEN. All by himself W0AUX gave Iowa 95% on DTRN. New Calls: W0FIX is N0AN and W0ZNT is W0ZN. W0SSV has new Tri-band beam. The Stone Lake Repeater 1979 now has good coverage. Ia. 75M 3570 kHz 1730Z K0JVO Mgr. QNI 1490, QTC 136, sess. 26. Ia. 75M 3970 kHz 2300Z K0RN Mgr. QNI 1047, QTC 58, sess. 26. Ia. Tall Corn 3560 kHz 2330/0300 W0YLS Mgr. QNI 347, QTC 110, sess. 61. Traffic: W0ALX 675, K0EVH 191, W0SS 150, W0SSU 65, W0JUX 60, W0JKT 48, W0JKT 46, W0JKT 45, W0LFF 33, GP 19, W05N55 17, K0JGI 10, W0BW 7, W0BQJ 3.

KANSAS: SCM Robert M. Summers, K0BFX - SEC: W0KJL, PAM: W0SEV W0BCL, RM: W0FT, Nice to hear from W0OMB, Net Mgr of the CSTN, Tex has been in the hospital again and we did miss the last two months reports. June QNI 768 and QTC 70 and July QNI 566 and 47 QTC. Looks like the summer weather is beginning to take its toll out on the traffic nets. W0FT mgr. slow reporting same conditions. July QNI 433, QTC 136. K0BN QNI 848 with 126 QTC and KPN 224 QNI and 6 QTC. W0LBB reports QNI 581, and QTC 151 on the KWN and again no real bad storm sessions. I have been asked to plug the OH QSO party, info came too late for good plug here, it will be over when you read this. W0KJL reports ECs: W0LKA K0CZ W0KJL W0KJL W0KJL W0KJL W0BLY submitted monthly reports. All ECs are reminded to check in with Doc at least once a month. W0PB had a good time at the Seattle Northwest Division Conv. Again we want others to help the newcomers into our hobby be aware of the good an ARRL membership could do for them. Member or not, your SCM would delight in hearing from all the new holders of ham tickets, your gear, your operating habits, your needs or whatever. Perhaps what you need can be achieved by a line or two. Check page 8 of the QST for my address, and do let me hear from you. A hearty welcome to the Pittsburg Repeater Assn. and the Cimarron Valley ARA. Ulysses on recent affiliation with ARRL Traffic: July QNI 98, W0KJL 81, W0CHJ 80, W0LBB 73, W0AM 68, W0HBM 62, N0IN 44, W0LKA 44, W0IX 43, K0BFX 42, W0FT 40, W0HI 34, W0SEV 34, W0PB 32, W0BLUN 31, W0OLA 30, W0FDJ 20, W0BKDE 20, W0PQH 14, K0KD 12, W0RVO 12, W0NYG 8, W0BQX 6, W0RT 2, W0PTRO 2, W0COWH 1 (May) W0GVR 22.

MISSOURI: SCM, L. G. Wilson, K0RWL - Asst. SCM: Joe Flowers, W0QTF. SEC: W0FFKY. Congratulations to W0SNT on receiving a direct hit by lightning. W0IYY was married sometime in Aug. W0SHQ/Q had Murphy strike on Field Day in the form of a neighbor complaining about an un-muffled generator. The most traffic logged was 1013 chigger bites. Congratulations to new licensees W05BSY BKV BWV BWV through BWZ; BXA through BXC BXH BHI BYA BYD BYH BYL BZC CAA CAB CAD CDZ CLZ CMI CMQ CNB CNW through CNZ CPH CPK through CPW CQC CQM CQN CQZ CRF through CRX, CSO through CSZ CTH CTJ CTT and numerous other MO hams. Traffic: (July) K0ONK 195, W0NUB 105, W0LFLY 77, W0BV 71, W0FKD 43, W0MEO 41, W0GUD 38, W0VHN 35, W0BVL 26, W0GLCV 24, W0GQ 24, W0EE 23, W0E 19, W0E 14, W0QAU 10, W0MCF 4, W0EMX 2, W0FKY 2, K0RWL 2, W0YEF 2. (June) W0EPI II.

Net	QNI	QTC	Net	QNI	QTC
HBN	323	16	MSN	84	42
SCEN	69	5	MON	152	71
MON2	115	41	MOSSBN	896	130

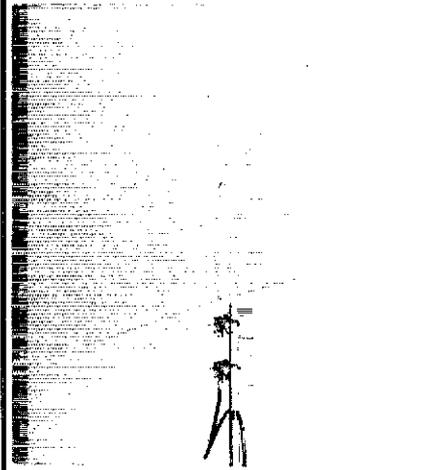
It is with sympathy that I report W0HTM lost his life when his tower received a direct hit by lightning. W0IYY was married sometime in Aug. W0SHQ/Q had Murphy strike on Field Day in the form of a neighbor complaining about an un-muffled generator. The most traffic logged was 1013 chigger bites. Congratulations to new licensees W05BSY BKV BWV BWV through BWZ; BXA through BXC BXH BHI BYA BYD BYH BYL BZC CAA CAB CAD CDZ CLZ CMI CMQ CNB CNW through CNZ CPH CPK through CPW CQC CQM CQN CQZ CRF through CRX, CSO through CSZ CTH CTJ CTT and numerous other MO hams. Traffic: (July) K0ONK 195, W0NUB 105, W0LFLY 77, W0BV 71, W0FKD 43, W0MEO 41, W0GUD 38, W0VHN 35, W0BVL 26, W0GLCV 24, W0GQ 24, W0EE 23, W0E 19, W0E 14, W0QAU 10, W0MCF 4, W0EMX 2, W0FKY 2, K0RWL 2, W0YEF 2. (June) W0EPI II.

NEBRASKA: SCM, Claire Richard Dyas, W0JCP - The last weekend in July was the setting for the Annual Victoria Springs HAMFEST and it was another very enjoyable event. The Lincoln ARC started the festivities off by serving a weiner roast on Sat. evening to about 350 persons. The Hastings, Grand Island and Kearney ARCs served the Sun. morning breakfast to about 340 people. The Sun. moon steak fry was served to well over 500 persons. There were 22 answered hams in attendance. Congrats to all for a job well done. Some of the out of states were: WA2JAY of NJ, K0JXN of IA and W0RYM of CO. Congrats to W0BISL & W0BIBT who recently became husband & wife. W0FQB elected to board of directors, National SCWA. Net reports: Q0WA, QNI 56; Western Neb Net, QNI 424, QTC 8; Cornhusker Net, QNI 1453, QTC 64; Morning Phone Net, QNI 1096, QTC 51; Sandhills WX Net, QNI 172, QTC 1; AREC, QNI 136; Nebr. Storm Net, QNI 953, QTC 28. Traffic: W0VEA 72, W0CBJ 32, W0HOP 31, W0FQB 24, W0NFG 23, W0BWR 16, W0GEX 14, W0BRS 12, W0EUT 10, W0SGA 12, W0JWQ 11, W0PCC 10, W0FUZ 10, K0HNT 9, W0BSYV 9, W0BGMQ 7, W0FOW 6, K0SFA 5, W0ATU 4, K0ODF 4, W0DFU 2, K0FRU 2, W0YFR 2, W0NIK 1, W0LOY 1.

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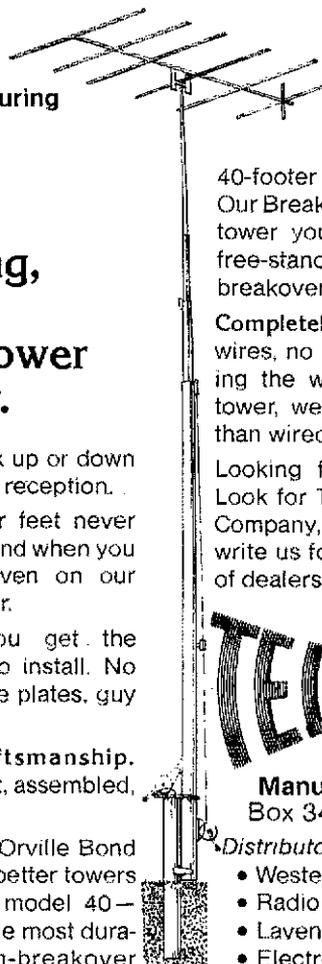
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Club News sent to all affiliated clubs should be
discussed and circulated at all meetings. July QO
Bulletin contains MUST reading for all OO's, they are a
big help to all. Meriden ARC Auction coming during
Oct. W1A1UR reports RTTY Traffic Nets on 75/15
and 85/3/255 with Autostart capabilities, more
check-ins requested. Congratulations for W1A1VDY
Extra, K1D5S Advanced, and W1A1UOW General
Class; Murphy's Marauders, Radio Amateur Society of
Norwich and Yankee Clipper Contest Club for ARRL
affiliation! Some clubs now planning next year's Field
Day, it was great, especially for many new Novice
operators. New England Division 1977 Convention
coming on Sept. 24 & 25 in Hartford — hope you can
make it and hope for the pleasure of meeting you
there! Traffic: (July) W1A1VGP 316, W1A1URA 209,
W1A1UR 161, W1TR 69, K1XA 62, W1GVT 56,
K1D5S 51, K1OQQ 36, W1AW 27, W1CUB 27,
W1BDN 26, W1GVT 13, W1A1BR 4. (May) K1OQQ
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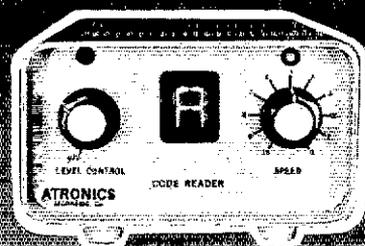
EASTERN MASSACHUSETTS: SCM, Frank Baker,
W1ALP — Asst. SCM: Raymond N. Witt, W1AOWG.
SEC W1AOG received reports from W1A1S RTR ZLD
AMHON, W1S EMB BHD JKW, K1S1N W1CW PALD
FM, W1XX W1P1R 516, 516, 516. A memorial
service well attended for W1NT. Foxboro ARC,
W1EMT affiliated with ARRL. NENN had 153 QNIs,
72 QTC. W1HZU was W1AGF, W1A1NT age 14,
went from Novice to Advanced in 8 months, congrats.
K1BJZ has her Advanced. W1ATFF moved to RI.
W1B1CJU of W1S1VW EMMN has QNI 115.
QTC 50. W1A1JP has Extra. W1EHS retired. N1HR
was W1A1MD. W1GQN in E. Bridgewater. New Clubs:
W1E1GG, Haverhill HS ARC, W1E1GH, Braintree HS
Comm. Club. NEEPN had QNI 85, QTC 16; K1BZD is
Net Mgr. & PAM. K1FJ was W1A1EH. K1KNN has
new tower & beam. W1A1VMG is Net Mgr. & PAM for
W1A1TN. W1A1K is Net Mgr. if you want to get an
idea what the weather is in New England, tune to
3905, Mon. thru Sat. between 0545-0645. K1OBL
has 1 kW on 80-10. W1A1VHY is Asst. EC to
W1A1MG. EC W1A1HON says classes are being held
for local residents. EC W1K1TU says the group helped
out in the 4th parade. K1VNB has 1st Class
Tempo W1F/One Plus. K1LW1 says 10 has been very
good. W1OUL got some QSLs dated 1946 from P.O.
K1SVP has NCX-1000. W1A1UZH has new tower.
W1A1ZXB General in Everett. W1A1ZAZ has new
Triton 4. W1DMS doing tone patches for Coast Guard
cutters. K1PAD in Europe for 3 weeks. W1A1YMD has
1st Class Fone, beam for 2 home brew. W1A1NEW got
HF rig on air, thru 3800 mile mobile. EMRI-55,
W1A1PJ, mgr., Mon., Wed., Fri. 2215Z on 3715 10
wpm. W1NF has Tempo 2020 TC. K1LCQ &
W1A1YMD new OBS. W1F1I endorsed as EC & OO.
Officers of Framingham RC. W1E1V; Lew Myman,
pres.; Jim Roates, vice-pres.; Howard D. Jones, Mike
Keller, secy. W1OAM W1A1FE worked DX on 6.
W1A1ONB has Ten Tec Argonaut and spending summer
on a 27 ft. sloop and on 20. W1B1DB got his license
thru B. C. HS ARC. Officers of Algonquin ARC
(Marboro) are: K1ACN, pres.; W1L1XN, vice-pres.; Bill
Dodge, treas.; W1H1R, secy.; W1E1K, editor;
W1A1RJ, N1CW, act. chmn. N1RR was W1A1KG.
N1XO was W1A1XU. W1A1S QAA QAB have a 96-ft.
tower. Chelmsford ARA & Billerica ARS were on FD.
K1C1J retired, has new Yaesu rig. Ex-W1NBS now
W1A1T. W1A1YH went up to General and then
Advanced in two weeks. W1L1MU and Newton gang are
on 160-190 kHz area. K1EVL, W1A1TO, W1A1EY,
ARC held a summer outing picnic. K1BA & K1FJ put
out a very newsy "zero beat" bulletin of the EMRIN.
1RN picnic was held at W1QY's QTH. W1SWP
celebrating their 37th anniversary in ME. W1A1WQC
now in Taunton. W1A1OHA now in Swansea, Massasoit
ARA held a meeting. W1K1F has his Advanced.
W1F1I in 8000 area. K1VYC was a Triton 4.
EMRIPN has 236 QNIs, 91 QTC. EM2MN has 118
QNIs, 55 QTC. EMRI for June 487 QNI, 233 QTC,
for July 220 QNI, 391 QTC. Traffic: (July) W1A1ZAZ
411, K1BA 228, W1A1TBY 226, W1A1EY 127,
W1PEX 121, W1DMS 94, W1A1YK 86, W1A1QR 61,
W1A1RVZ 59, W1A1OWG 49, W1F1I 54, K1PAD 43,
W1A1K 17, W1DMS 16, K1LCQ 16, W1A1YMD 7,
W1A1QJ 7, W1CZB 6, W1A1NEW 5, W1A1FE 4, N1E2
2, K1TKI 1. (June) W1F1I 37, W1A1PGY 18, W1NF 6,
W1CZB 4, W1A1PQY 4.

MAINE: SCM, Bill Mann, W1A1FCM — Asst. SCM/
PAM: Gerald Burns, K1GUP. SEC: K1EF. RM:
W1RWG. New EC: W1A1KWC/W1, Washington Co. For
the Friendship Sloop Days (July 28, 29, 30), 19
members and friends of Yankee RC supplied com-
munications from spotters at buoy. They had com-
munications from spotters at buoy, shore and to Coast
Guard cutter for emergencies. Messages were handled
via NTS for race watchers. Fine job under direction of
W1KYO. On July 16, N4SS spoke in Houlton urging
hams to take a more active role in FCC dockets
regarding WARC. Arrostook ARA auction and family
picnic very successful. New officers at K1NAN:
W1BUHU, pres.; W1B1DAB, vice-pres.; W1A1SLJ, secy.;
July reports:
Net — Freq. Time/days Sess. Tfc. Ck-in.
PTN — 3596 7 PM Dy. 21 148 203
SGN — 3940 5 PM M-S 26 95 975
BYN — 3968 8 AM M-S 36 120 882
Traffic: (July) W1A1FCM 458, W1KYO 162, W1ERW
109, W1RWG 96, W1A1ERT/1 91, W1A1RDX 59,
W1A1DC 58, W1A1JHT 30, W1A1CTR 27, K1GUP 26,
K1TZH 20, W1A1MEQ/1 12, K1NAN 10, W1CEV 9,
W1A1NKE 4. (June) K1GUP 26, (May) K1GUP 28,
(Apr.) K1GUP 25.

NEW HAMPSHIRE: SCM, Robert C. Mitchell,
W1SWX/W1NH — SEC: K1RSC. RM: N1NH. The
NHVW Net has 169 check-ins & 145 traffic. Active
OO W1A1SO is busy in the NH. W1A1EY has a
W1JB has a new phone patch. W1A1EL handled
traffic for the Johnstown, PA emergency. W1A1VWL
has his Advanced ticket. The GSPN had 363 check-ins,
99 traffic. W1MRG & W1A1JLT vacationed in NH.
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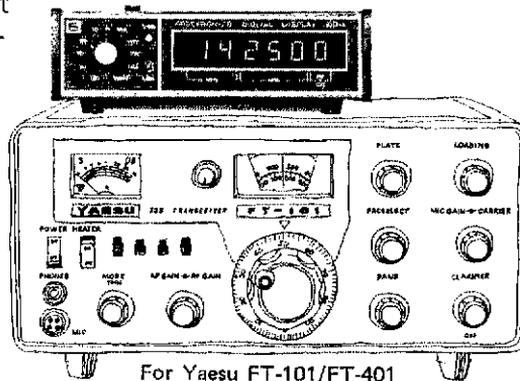
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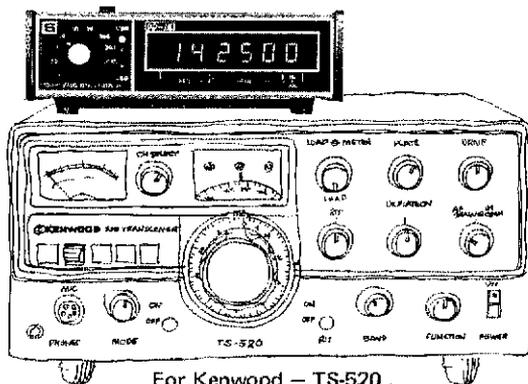
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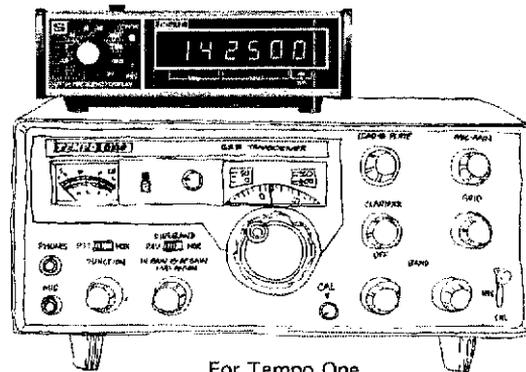
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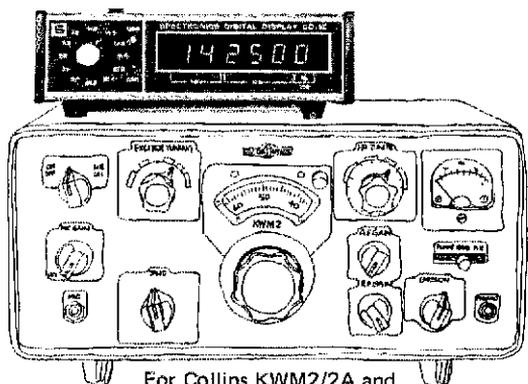
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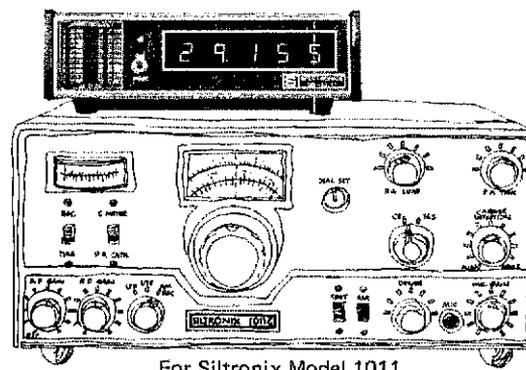
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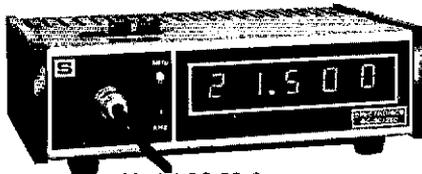
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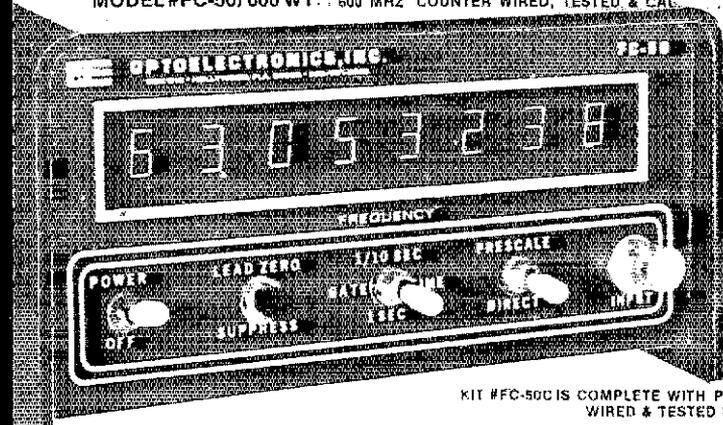
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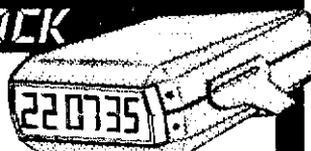
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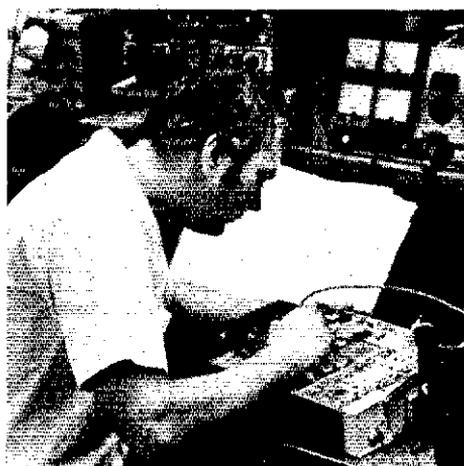
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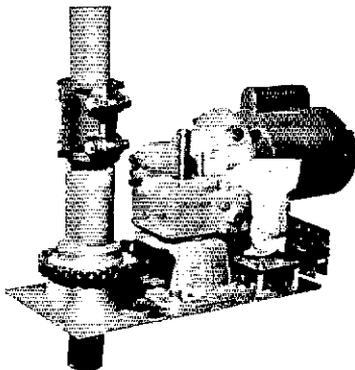
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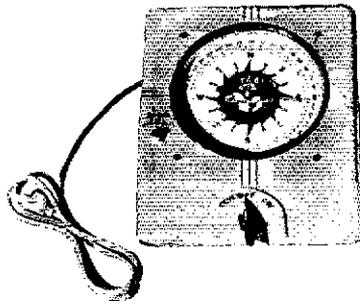
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RHODE ISLAND: SCM, John Titterington, W1E0F - R1EM 2 mtr. frc. net, WA1CSO mgr., reports sessions 26 QNI 141, frc. net reports their 2 mtr. repeater now at full efficiency. They had great setup for coverage of America Cup Races. WA1POJ reports EBAWA starting new classes for fall. New Novices in their area, WB1EHN WB1EHO WB1EHP and WB1EIE. PRA has speaking program lined up for fall. Welcome to new OPS, WA1TFE, a transfer from East. MA and congrats to 8 new Extras WA1POJ, WA1RFT and W1E0F. The EM-RI Slow Speed Net started again on Aug. 8th. It will run Mon., Wed., & Fri. at 2215Z and on 3715 kHz. The speed will be 10 wpm and it is intended to help those who are planning to upgrade their Novice or Technician licenses. WA1POJ will be mgr. and needs net controls. Traffic: WA1POJ 130, WA1YPN 24, WA1RFT 12, W1E0F 8, WA1TFE 3.

VERMONT: SCM, Bob Scott, W1RNA - SEC: W1VSA. Welcome new hams WB1S: C2G DHV DIE DIM DQY DSD DSR DTJ DWC EDZ EFJ EIX EJC & ELC. Apologies to those I've no word on as being new. Would appreciate hearing from one & all. K1BQB WIAD WB1L & W1TXV ran a ham activity July 15, 16, 17 with the Bellows Falls Bi-centennial celebration. W1AIM has worked 44 states on 6 mtrs. in last 15 months from new QTH in Cabot. WB1BZR & VE2EDB via 2 FM helped guide police cruiser via NYS Police to motorcycle accident at 0130. Carrier (3934) 26/51/04 GME (3947) 26/55/04 VTSSB (3908) 452/49 VT Phone (3908) 5/94/13 VT RF D (3908) 5/78/18. VT hams looking for Slo-Speed CW Net - 3702, Dy, 2330 UTC, the NH VT N. Traffic: K1BQB 1, 293, W1RNA 18, WA1UQY 14, WA1BZR 7, W1BKZ 1.

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NORTHWESTERN DIVISION

ALASKA: SCM, Roy Davis, KL7CUK - SEC: KL7ISB, PAM: KL7HOV, Alaska Snipers Net 3920 kHz 0300 seven days a week. ARES Net 145.52 MHz Thur. 7:00 PM local, Alaska Pacific Net 14292 kHz 1830 GMT, Mon. thru Fri. The visit of President Danials and Bob Thurston Dir. NW Div. was enjoyed by all. The SEA-QDX convention was also enjoyed by all. We had a wonderful time. KL7AF is back on the air after a long time off. KL7HMU and KL7IFD report regular skeds between Anchorage and Fairbanks on 6 meters. All those interested in a QSO listen for these stns. KL7HOV reports over 800 c/w-ins for ASN this month, also over 20,000 since 1975, the Anchorage and Fairbanks clubs are planning on large classes for new upcoming amateurs. The Juneau Club just affiliated with ARRL. Congratulations to you all for a very important step. The SEC and myself will be visiting all clubs in AK this fall. The Anchorage Club is constructing a new club station. Traffic: KL7CUK 8, KL7AF 5.

IDAHO: SCM, Dale A. Brock WA7EYW - SEC: W7JMH, PAM: WA7HOS, RM: N7DH. Net - Freq. Time QTC Manager. RACES - 3.9908 1415 M-F 386 5 WA7WX1 FARM - 3.935 0200 Dy 961 48 W7CJC IMN - 3.635 0300 M-F 187 114 W7GHT Dec marks the 20th anniversary of Pocatello Amateur Radio Club. W7GHT is now an Extra, congratulations. WA7QD scored over 20 QSOs in the 1st BU contest. SEC W7JMH reports 22 members participated in a Red Cross simulated disaster, response time was 14 minutes for 6 cities and 4 hospitals. Traffic: W7GHT 323, W7GBO 124, N7DH 12.

MONTANA: SCM, Robert Leo, W7LR - Asst. SCM: Edward R. Bodenberger, WA7PZD, SEC: W7YTN, PAM: W7DEO, RM: K7CHY, WA7FLG new Butte EC. MTN had 815 QNI, 50 QTC, 20 Sess. in July. IMN had 187 QNI, 114 QTC. MT hams busy in July attending: Glacier-Waterton Hamfest; ARRL Convention Seattle; and K7LTV, K7ABV, and K7LTV was W1MU chms. and put on good Hamfest. W7PGY and W1YL visited Butte, Bozeman, and W1MU. Events: Hunts, WA7PZO; ARRL, VHF, W7LR; Oscar W7RZY; DX, K7ABV; Homebrew, K7NM (ex WA7HDD); Slides on Russia, W7QVA; Movie W7YTN; CW, K7LTV, K7ABV, and K7LTV for K7LTV QSL for 325 confirmed out of 325 countries worked. W7LR attended all 3 hamfests. Traffic: W7DEO 40, W7NEG 26, K7SJK 16, W7LR 8, W7HAH 2, WA9OBH 2.

OREGON: SCM, Dwight J. Albright, W7HLF - Asst. SCM: WA7UUJ, SEC: W7LBH, Chief PAM: WA7SSO, PAM: WA7GFE, RM: K7OUF, BSN 3908, QNI 604, QTC 60, 31 sess. WA7GFE, mgr. OSN 3585 QNI 165, QTC 114, K7IWD, mgr. ARES 3993.5 QNI 441, QTC 14, WA7RWM mgr. ARES (JC) 147.06 QNI 90, QTC

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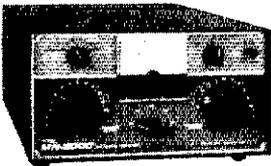
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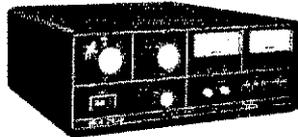


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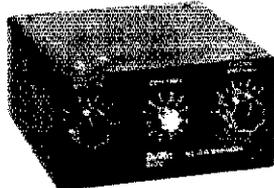
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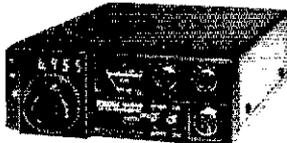


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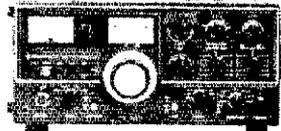


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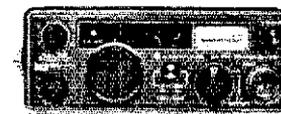
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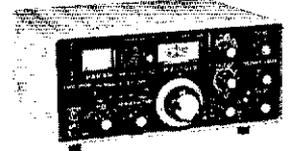


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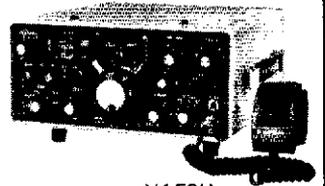


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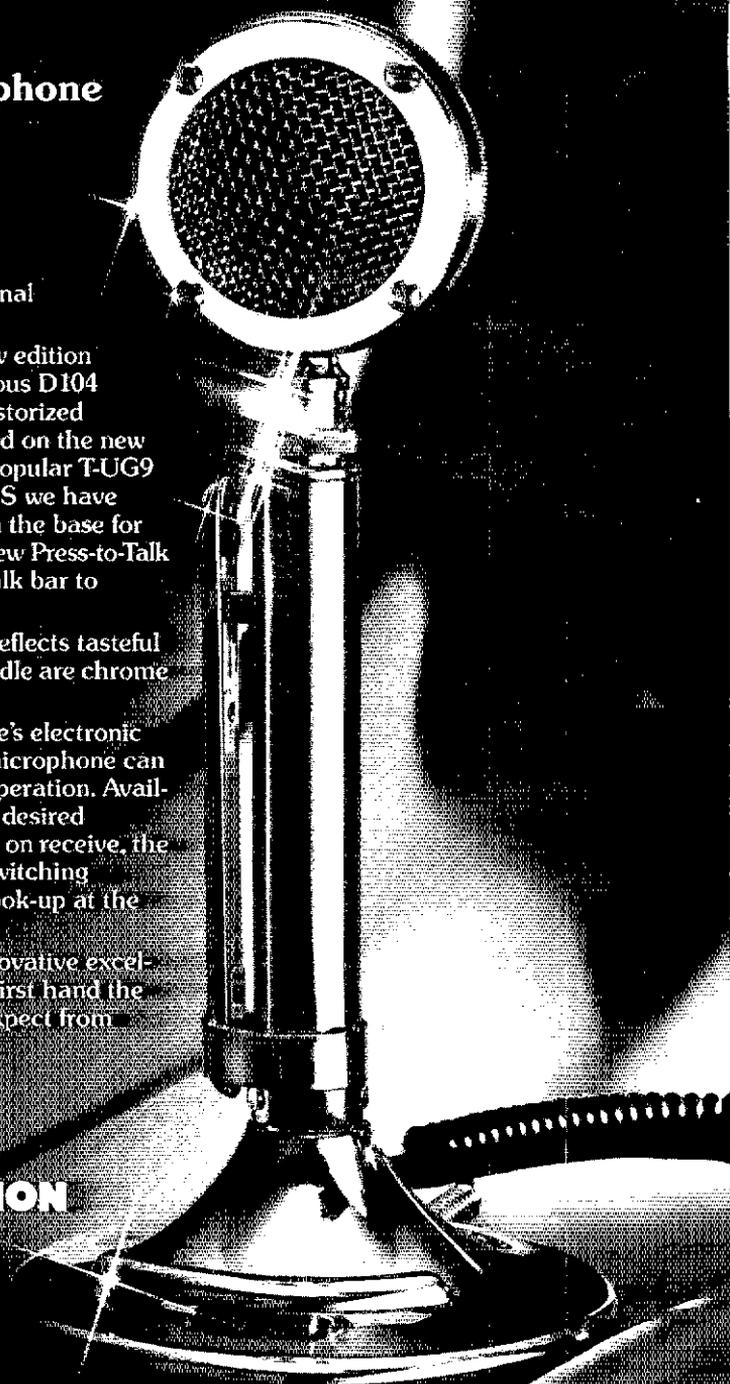
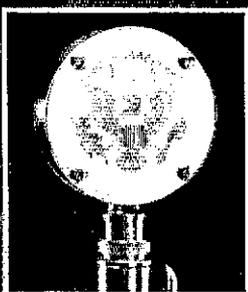
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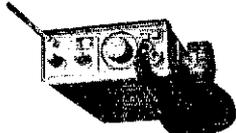
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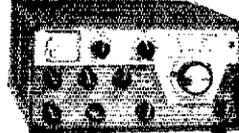
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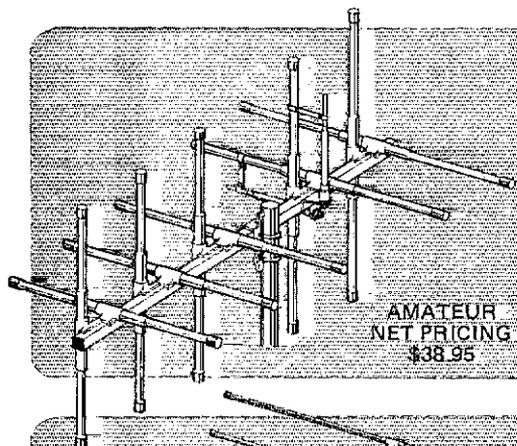
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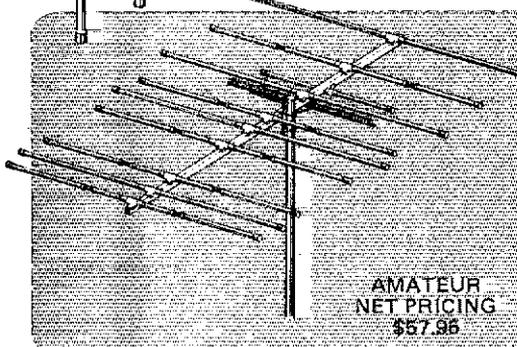
2 Meter

The model Stinger A 2+2 is a ten-element, dual polarization 2-meter antenna designed for OSCAR communications or where switching from horizontal to vertical polarization is required. The A 2+2 can even be phased to operate on both horizontal and vertical polarization at the same time (circular polarization). This is not only ideal for OSCAR work but gives your station versatility for ground communications.

Wide, non-linear element spacing gives the A 2+2 superior gain. However, since it is a five element beam in one given plane, the half power beam width does not make satellite tracking difficult because of sharp directivity. The dual gamma match assemblies provide for a very low V.S.W.R. and will withstand 2,000 watts P.E.P.

The Stinger construction features make the A 2+2 extremely heavy duty. Provisions are made for mounting the antenna at the end of the boom — for azimuth control — or at the middle of the boom for normal applications.

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FINCO STINGER A62

6 & 2 Meter

The model Stinger A 62 is a truly remarkable combination 6 and 2-meter beam designed for optimum performance on both bands yet only requiring ONE transmission line. This is accomplished through the use of exclusive phasing elements to accomplish dual band operation with no sacrifice to either band — NO SWITCHING REQUIRED!

On 2-meters, the A 62 has 6 collinear elements — equivalent to three 1/2 A 6-element yagis stacked side by side — thus giving outstanding performance. Maximum forward gain is assured on 6-meters through the use of four wide spaced elements. The heavy duty Stinger construction is used throughout so that the antenna will withstand 100 mph plus wind loads.

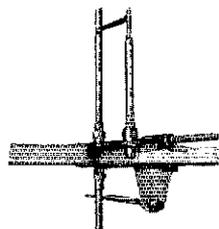
The A 62 is ideal for mounting on the same mast as your tri-bander or other antenna thus easily opening up the world of 6 and 2-meter VHF communication.

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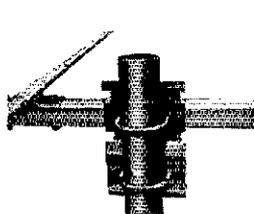
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A6-5	6 Meter	5	13'	35.95	A1 1/2-10	1 1/2 Meter	10	8'	24.95

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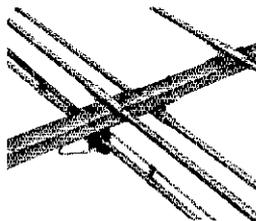
All Stinger Series Amateur Antennas incorporate heavy duty fully adjustable gamma matching systems to allow for maximum power transfer. The design provides for minimum V.S.W.R. and a wide bandwidth. A built in SO-239 type connector assembly is utilized plus the matching systems are power rated at 2,000 watts P.E.P.



A 4" x 6" x full 1/8" thick heavy duty plated steel mast to boom mounting assembly is used on all Stinger Series of Amateur antennas. The bracket assembly locks permanently on the square boom and thus withstands high wind loads and torque without twisting or becoming misaligned. The assembly accepts mast diameters of up to 2" O.D. Provisions for mounting either in a vertical or horizontal plane is incorporated in several models.



Exclusive Stinger square boom construction is used on all amateur antennas. The 1 1/2" square booms are of .064 wall high tensile strength aluminum which is many times stronger than its round counterpart. Also, special bracket assemblies have been developed to allow instant element to boom alignment — plus they stay aligned in the highest wind and ice loads. All elements are of thick wall high tensile strength aircraft aluminum.



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516E-1 KWM-1 DC PS	S-200 Speaker	19	
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2AC Calibrator	HW-101 Xcvt	269	
R-4 Ham Rcvr	SB-100 Xcvt	299	
R-4A Ham Rcvr	SB-102 Xcvt	369	
R-4B Ham Rcvr	SB-110 6m Xcvt	295	
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MS-4 Speaker	HP-23 AC supply	45	
SW-4 SWL Rcvr	HP-23A AC supply	48	
SW-4A SWL Rcvr	HP-23B AC supply	54	
SSR-1 SW Rcvr	SB-630 Console	79	
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5NB Noise blanker	SB-500 2m Xvtr	175	
SCC-4 Xtal cal	HWA-17-1 DC supply	15	
SC-6 6m conv	HW-17-2 FM adaptor	25	
CPS-1 Conv ps	HW-202 2m FM Xcvt	149	
TR-3 Xcvt	HWA-202-1 AC supply	15	
TR-4 Xcvt	HW-2036 2m FM Xcvt	249	
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420 VFO	VX-2 VOX	29	
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500C Xcvt	Triton IV Xcvt	549	
700CX Xcvt	262G AC supply	99	
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117XC AC supply/spkr	210 AC supply	24	
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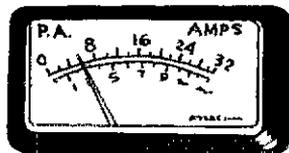
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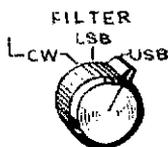


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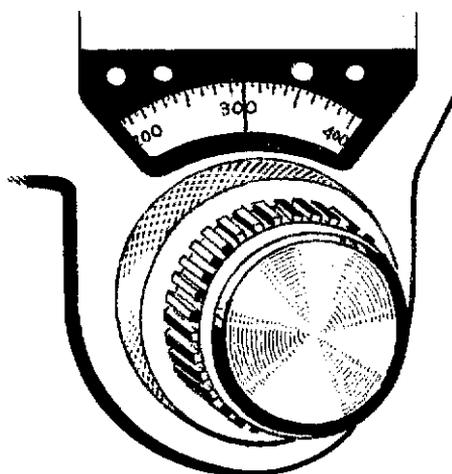
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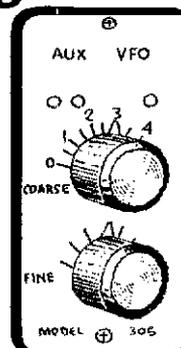
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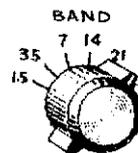


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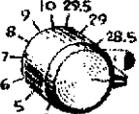
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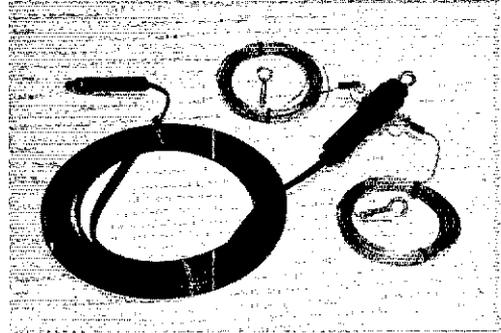
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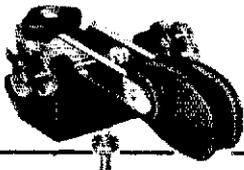
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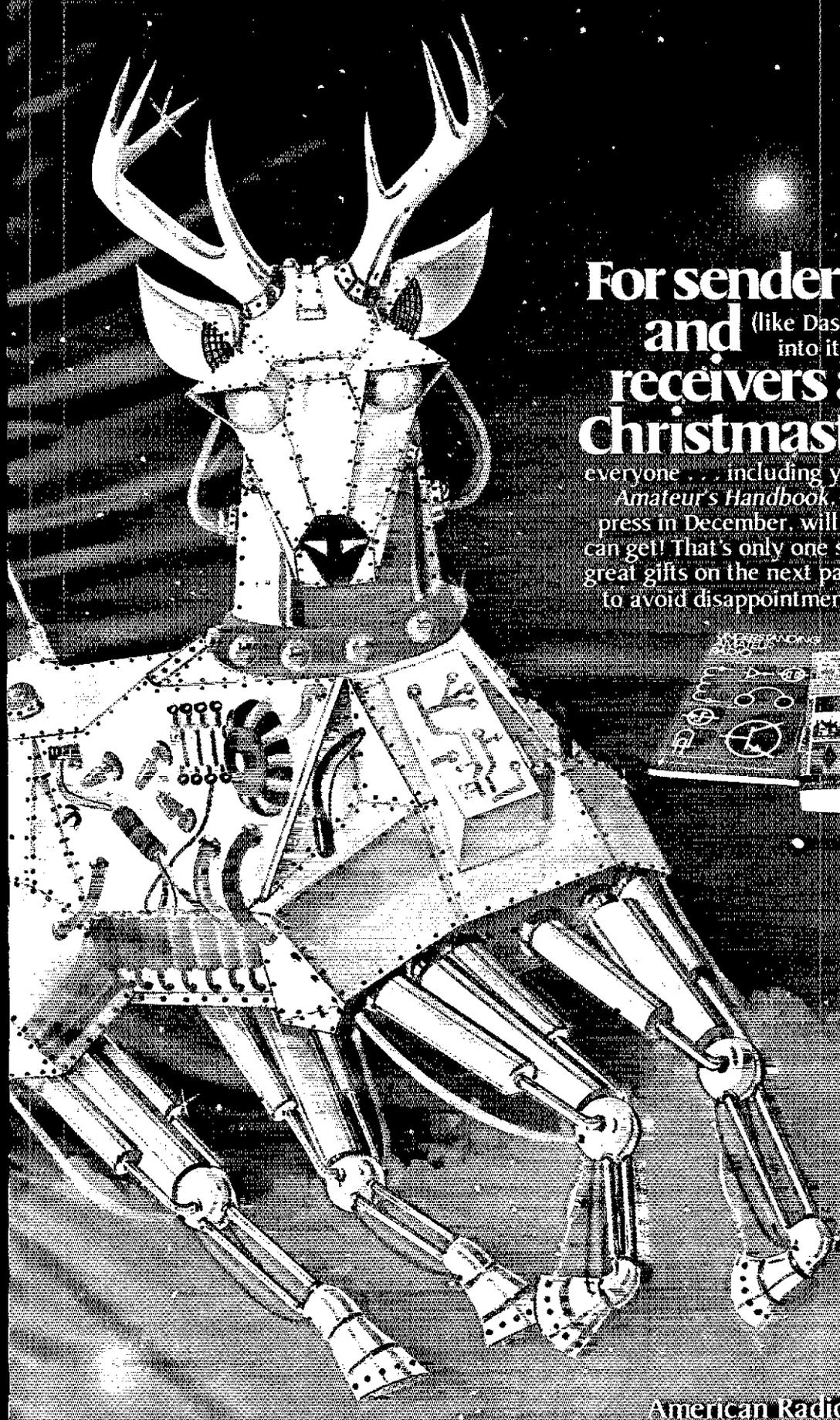
SOUTH CAROLINA: SCM Tom Lufkin, WA4DAX — Asst. SCM: Gary Barnett, WA4MDP SEC: WB4TNS, PAMs: W4MTK WA4DZG, RM: WA4CAK, I enjoyed seeing everyone at the Charleston Hamfest, W4FMZ big winner, new Trilcon IV sounds good on the air, The Trident AR elected WA4MDP, pres.; WA4NIE, vice-pres.; WD4EA, secy.; WA4OZ, 1st. pres.; WA4MDP, my XYL, and I had very nice visit to the Lancaster ARC. Included was a delicious dinner with son K4PFC and his wife and a nice gift for my XYL from the club. Received nice report on VHF activity from K4GL. He has some good tips on EME work so if you are interested in moon bounce you might contact Jack, WA4JWS reports he rec'd WA4UDK 35, 4000W, 1500WAS. Nets: PX QNI 241, QTC 64, SCSSB QNI 1181, QTC 158, CNN QNI 175, QTC 27, Anderson 2 Mtr QNI 678, QTC 24, Blue Ridge AREC QNI 41, Traffic: (July) WB4ARJ 544, K4ZN 413, W4ANK 161, WA4KXZ 63, W4NTO 59, W4MTK 45, WA4DAX 43, K4FRX 37, WA4JWS 35, WB4UDK 35, WB4DQ 32, W4OCX 23, WA4LCZ 19, WB4LINE 8, W4FVY 12, WB4CAK 12, W4DRF 10, WB4BZA 8, WB4NBK 4. (June) WB4UDK 41.

VIRGINIA: SCM, Robert L. Follmar, N4RF — SEC: WB4ZNB, PAM: WB4DBK, RMs: V4K8KX, VSN, WA4EPJ; 4RN W4SHJ, WB4PNY leads the tlc. with 429. This gal will make BPL in the near future! WB4DBK rpts gud results from new 80M sloper ant. K4BKK ran lone patch from WB4WUX (Ex-EC), somewhere in the Atlantic to Don's XYL in VA Bch. The following were actively engaged in handling flood traffic (Johnstown). N4FM, N4RF, WB4KJ, K4EJ and W4ZM. N4FM was the most engaged. He spent a week in Johnstown (N4RF's hometown) operating WB3BTC at the State CD Hqtrs. Tlc count when he left was nearly 5000! Kudos gents. Your SCM saw a lot of old and new faces at the Winchester Hamfest. As usual it was bang up. ARL Pres. Harry Dannels W2HD & 1st VP Vic Clark added the prestige. K4GR rpts "dull, hot and dry!" WB4ODZ Hampton, Hampton AREC rpts participation in VOPEX '77. The Lynchbg ARC will provide communications for the VA Ten-Miler Race on Sept. 17 & also for the Air Show Sept. 18, says W4WYQ. K4LEF enjoying attending area hamfests. WA4ZAJ passed General at the Roanoke Div. Conv. in Norfolk, W4YE busy with QSL Bureau work and hoping for gud condx on 160 & 10. He says W4PAY FID vy FB with 1300 plus QSOs. K4DHB also rpts much activity in Scottish games in Alexandria. W4TMN put up new wire ant (G5RV) and EC W4LJI busy organizing Rockbridge Co. AREC & making arrangements for AM, Rdo Stn for personal tlc at their festival. W4NWM took another vacation — went fish chasing in New Eng. & Canada instead of DX. W4ZM has new job on Frl. Operates NN3SI at Smithsonian Inst. WA4FDV, XYL of K4BKK is now NCS on the VSBN Wed. & Thurs. FB net. WA4JWS, W4DORS has competition from dance band wrk. WA4AJF, SB401 is off the air for more solid state conversions. 7 Gen. repairs. W4TE & K4LMB check into the Eye Bank Net twice daily. Ethel is now secy of the QCWA. Busy people! Our OBS performs a vy worthwhile svc & more credit is due the following: WB4DRC N4DW N4eci, K4KNP, WB4ZOH. The SCM reminds all appointees that regular monthly reports are a must and required. This also applies to the EC reports to the SEC. The EC is an SCM appointment but they are required by the SCM to report their activity to the SEC. Both the SCM & SEC must report to Hd. each month and the information for the reports must come from you, the appointees. Use Form 1 cards for your activity rpt to the SCM and the Form 5 to the SEC. Of course you may send a message or letter report to either. The EC reporting is poor. Let's bring it up to where it belongs. Thanks. QD reports from W4S J (26), K4ZS 1, WA4JWS 41, N4NWN (WV) 4. Traffic: (July) WB4PNY 429, WB4DBK 406, K4BKK 316, WA4EPJ 277, K4KNP 189, N4FM 160, W4LXB 159, WB3ETD/4 156, WB4ZNB 121, K4GR 113, WB4ODZ 98, N4RF 89, K4JM 69, K4MLC 63, WA4ULX 47, W4SUS 44, N4FP 38, W4AKIT 34, WB4DQZ 33, WA4LJI 29, W4WYQ 25, K4LEF 23, WA4ZAJ 22, W4YE 20, W4YVS 18, N4LE 16, W4OOL 16, WA4PBG 13, K4DHB 13, WA4GQI 13, W4KFC 12, WA4STO 12, K4EJ 11, WA4RBF 11, WA4LJI 10, W4TMN 10, W4NWM 9, W4ZM 8, WA4FDV 7, WB2VYK/4 7, N4DW 6, WA4EQW 4, WA4NY 4, WA4NOB 4, WA4AF 3, W4KXE 2, K4SPS 2, WA4WQZ 2. (June) K4KA 4.

WEST VIRGINIA: SCM, Donald B. Morris, W8JM — Congratulations to K8PFK for his recent picture showing West VA amateurs in action during recent flood in Southern part of state. WB8OSE/K4CQA photo and rig appears on page 14 of the ARL book, "Tune in the World with Ham Radio." K8KT and K8WMX received excellent publicity in their Company's telephone newsletter for activities in flood disaster. West VA QSO Party, WB8AW followed by K8KT and WB8YMJ. Out of state WA2HLP, W4KFB, N4FM, N4GF, WA1UWR, W3AKU. Net — Freq. Time(Z) Ck-in Tlc. Sess. CW — 3557 2300 Dy 146 53 31 Novice — 3730 2115 Dy 194 108 31 Phone — 3990 1500 Dy 269 81 26 Phone — 3990 2300 Dy 740 190 30 Hillbilly — 142901600 54 156 47 5 K8QEW received nice write-up in Weirton paper on Public Service activities. Traffic: WB8TDA 121, K8YL 104, WB8HJ 51, WB8TSE 27, WB8YMJ 43, WB8TJN 34, WB8VAT 32, WB8TCE 31, WB8JG 30, WB8JYM 22, WB8JYN 22, WB8JY 21, WB8LDY 5, WB8CYX 14, K8KT 10, K8MHR 8, WB8IHA 8, K8ZDY 8, WD8EGW 7, WB8F 5, WB8LFW 5, WB8OKG 4, WB8ZBM 4, WB8VZ 4, K8QEW 4, WB8SAW 3, W7RUA/8 3, WB8GBM 2, WB8NDY 2, WB8TTP 2, WB8RDX 2, WB8CNN 2, K8ZPN 2, K8TCM 2, WD8CQW 2, WD8WNZ 2.

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COLORADO: SCM, Clyde O. Penney, WA0HLQ — SEC: K0FLQ, RM: K0TER. PAMs: K0CNV, WA0YQG. Congratulations to K0DHU on upgrading to Advanced Class license. W0CP is enjoying his new TH3 beam, as well as his first Harmonic, April, born July 8. WB0MCL & W0KLE, among others, were active in handling emergency tlc during recent floods in Glenwood. K0LPE enjoyed 61 contacts during 10-X contest, while K0OTU & WA0YNG had totals of 65 & 242 respectively. Best Qs for a speedy recovery are extended to WB0FWD who is now at home recuperating from heart surgery. WA0YNG reports membership in the Colo. 10-X chapter has now passed the 1000 mark. K0SPR was active in handling



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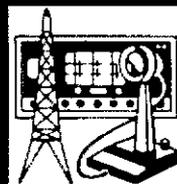
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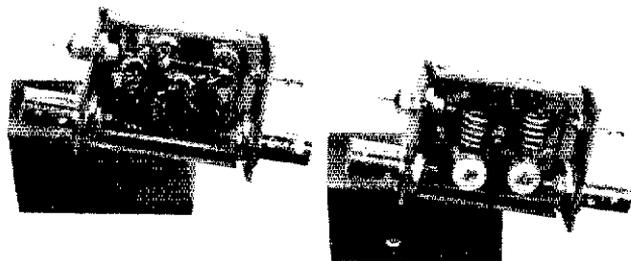
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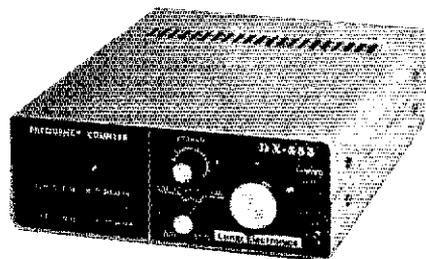
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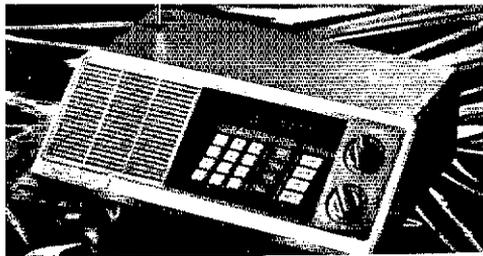
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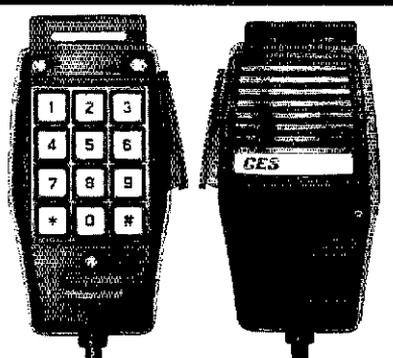
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NEW MEXICO: SCM, Joe T. Knight, W5PDY — SEC; W5ALR. PR: W5QNR. PAMS: W5PNY K5IKL. RM: K5KPS. Southwest (SWN) meets daily on 3585 kHz at 1915 local time and handled 192 msgs with 246 stations reporting in. New Mex. Roadrunner Net (NMRRN) meets daily on 3940 kHz at 1800 local and handled 67 msgs with 221 stations reporting in. New Mex. Breakfast Club meets daily on 3940 MHz at 0700 local and reports 82 msgs handled with 638 stations reporting in. With deep regret we report the passing of W5UNL, active with Eye-Band Net and W5LUX active on 2 mtrs. Congratulations to all who passed the exams in July. Pecos Valley ARC new officers are W5BWW, pres.; W5JVS, vice pres.; W5SUWD, secy-treas. W5JOV reports traffic on ARF increasing. Traffic: W5UH 302, W5IOV 216, W5LZF 172, K5KPS 136, K5MAT 126, W5ENI 118, W5ROP 85, W5TWZ 41, W5YQ 18, W5BFA 8, W5BWW 2, K5NM 2.

UTAH: SCM, Carl R. Ruthstrom, W7GPN — SEC; WA7ZBO. I'd like to thank W7EU for his help in getting me started as the new SCM. In spite of the summer heat and vacation time, activity reporting has been good. W7OCX off the air on HF, does not expect to be in operation again until home is sold and he's relocated. The Beehive Utah Net continues to operate daily on 7272 kHz at 1830 MDT. Net control conducted by WA7GTU W7LAE WA7MEL and W7QWH. W7OCX no longer BUN mgr., would like to have a qualified individual take this job. W7OCX reports he received a certificate for Armed Forces Day by copying the secretary of Defense CW message without error at 25 wpm. WA7MEL reports UCN had 31 sessions, 52 messages handled, and 158 check-ins during month. WA7ADK has built and has in operation a 4CX250 amplifier on 2 meters. WA7HQD busy working DX on 15 and 20 meters with W7H6DX antenna. W7RZ, W7SAU now working on Kwajalein and K6BAU on 15 and 20 meters. K7RGY busy building new home. W7TWZ new EC for Toole Co. Their emergency net meets weekly on 147.48 MHz. The Utah Hamfest was a great success due to the fine work of the UARC. Traffic: K7HJR 45, W7KHY 62, WA7MEL 58, WA7KHE 38, W7DMI 15, W7BE 14, W7OCX 6, W7UTM 6.

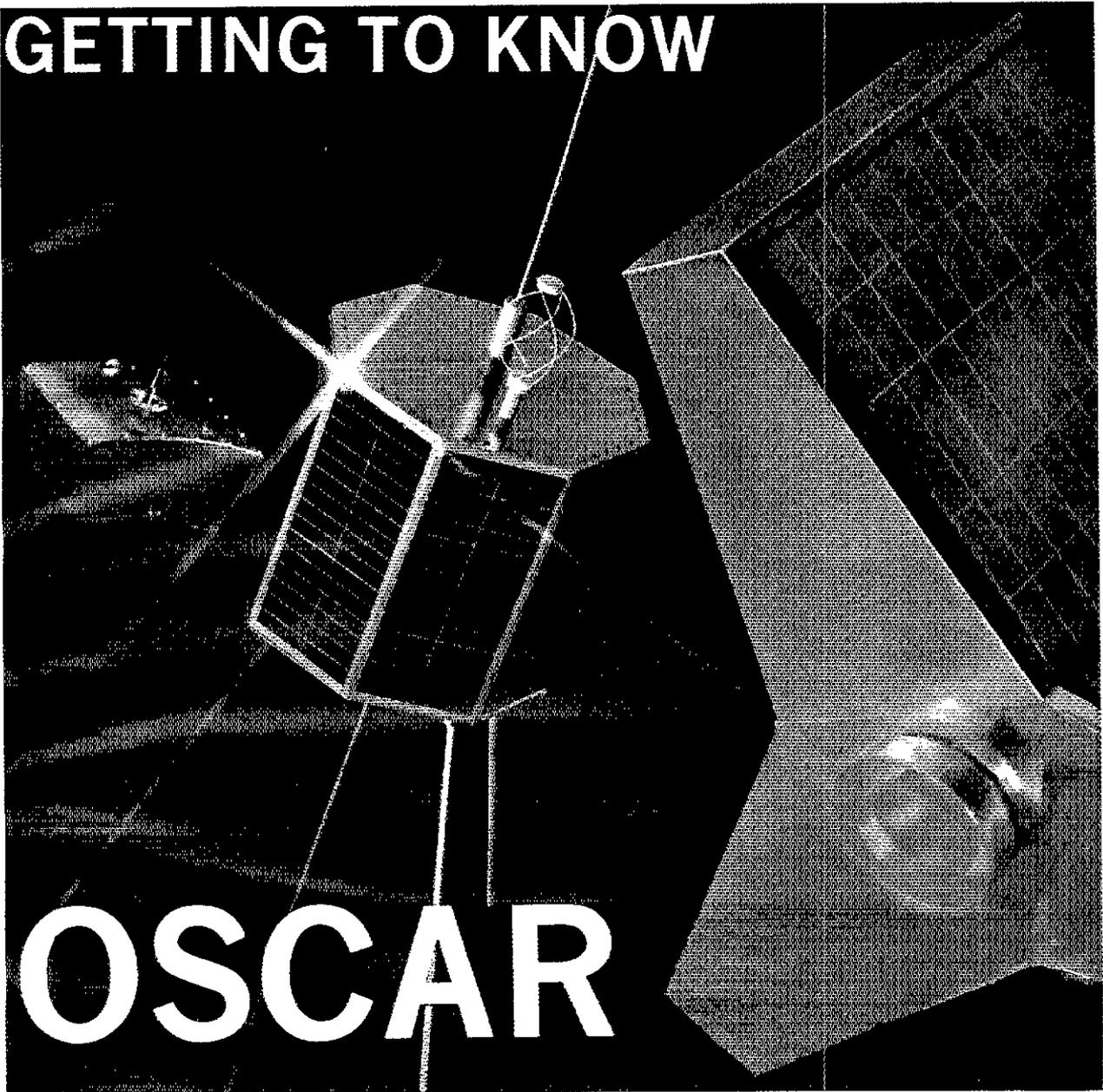
WYOMING: SCM, Chester C. Stanwally, W7SDA — The Wyoming Hamfest was well attended. Guest speakers were Lewis McCoy, WIICP from ARRL headquarters, and Charles Catterell, W9SIN Rocky Mountain Director. W7MEV gave a very interesting talk on Meteor scatter. EMM and Aurora types of VHF communications. The mobile hunt and swap tables were also busy. W7HEB had major lung surgery. W5AYS now W7LQV. W7KF married. New Advanced W7OGT and WA7WWE. New Novice W7SYJ XYL of W7NJI. W7RPI. K7SLM reports 21 sessions 573 QNI. T4 QTC for Wyoming Cowboy net. Traffic: W7TZK 450, W7SQT 205, K7VWA 196.

SOUTHEASTERN DIVISION

ALABAMA: SCM, Jim Brashear, WB4EJ1 — Thanks to those in the Huntsville ARC who nominated and elected me Ham of the Year — quite an honor! WB4CXD reports contacts on 6 and 2 with W1 and W9 areas. WA4VEK has new IC225. Congratulations to Birmingham ARC who will have their hamfest May 13 and 14, 78 in the AC Civic Center. WA4GIY is chmn. Mobile ARC starting on their hamfest for next year with WA4VPI as chmn. The Twin Base ARC maintains a library with over 30 books available for checkout by members. The Sand Mtn Repeater Assn. provided communications for the 38th Annual DixieCup Regatta in Guntersville on Aug. 6 and 7. K4JK says he smuggled a new Dentron MLA 2500 by his XYL and with the Ham and TV antennas on same mast, everything on his color TV turns green! K4HJM has 32 CES members in his club and the 100% mark. Congrats to him and the Calhoun Co. ARA. They recently held a Severe WX Seminar and AENW Emergency Communication Seminar at the Ala. Power Co. Auditorium in Anniston; representatives of CD Nat'l Wx Service, Law Enforcement, many hams and guests attended. W4MHO says they will have new solid state repeater QNI. EMM rig with automatic switching. Appointed WB4CXD as Secy. Traffic: (July) WA4JHD 880, N4MD 368, K4LYY 187, WB4EJ1 179, WA4RND 98, WB4KSL 67, K4AOZ 40, WA4VKD 19, WA4ZDW 12, K4UMD 14, W4EF 8, WA4TMG 8, W4BTVP 8, WA4WQH 8, WB4ZHS 7, WB4NJA 6, WA4RMP 5, W4MHO 4, WB4CXD 2, WD4CPF 2. (June) WB4AYO 4.

GEORGIA: SCM, A. H. Stakoly, K4WC — SEC: K4YRL. PAM: K4JNL. RM: W4SHL. Congrats to WA4OZT K4EVE and WB4TEK making PSRR. CAND QTC 331. DEPT. Q from GA: CVEN No. 2 QNI 951, QTC 71. Cntrl GA VHF Net QNI 87. QTC 1. Atlanta Radio Club officers for '77-78: W4GKF, pres.; WA4AKU, veep; W4NJF, secy.; WA4PYF, treas.; WA4PZO, act. mgr. Columbus Amateur Radio Club officers of '77-78: WA4TBG, pres.; K4JNL, veep; WB4CCE, secy/treas.; K4GOE, act. mgr. Toccoa Amateur Radio Society, Coosa Valley Amateur Radio Club and Colquitt County Ham Radio Net now affiliated with ARRL. N. GA. Skywarn Net QNI 39, CVEN No. 1 QNI 70, QTC 2. GARES Net QNI 82, QTC 1. Sadly we report a real pioneer W4KR and W4LBO becoming Silent Keys. ARE5 repeater for coastal area is W4RAVO on 107.0 and always open reports WB4RHS Repeater W4AA had act. blown down. Fairgrounds. Augusta Hamfest on Sept. 18 at Julian Smith Park. Farnvention at Stone Mountain Nov. 12-13. W4LRR working on 432. New Atlanta Radio Teleprinter Society RTTY only repeater on Stone Mountain, WR4BAG, 147.105 in 7.705 out. WA4OQO now N4EU. WA4LHH reports formation of GA Repeater Assn. W4AA had act. blown down. W4FOE and W4GH active on daytime 40. WA4CCY making CVEN No. 2 a great net. Excellent picnic well attended at Little Ocmulgee State Park by G5SB net. Traffic: (July) W4FOE 203, W4GH 96, WA4OZT 95,

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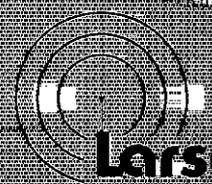
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NORTHERN FLORIDA: SCM, Frank M. Butler, Jr., W4RH — SEC: WA4WBM, RM: WB4GHU, PAMs: WA4TNC/75; WA4TXM/40; WB4BSZ/VHF. WA4CRI appointed QRP JTIC earned by WB4DTS on QRP; by WB4LUKX & WB4WWP on QRP; and by WB4QBB on Ala. Net "B." Orange Park ARC, Central FL DX Assn. & Hernando Co. ARA recently affiliated with ARRL. Congratulations! Traffic ops. had a picnic at Manatee Springs State Park. I'm sad to report W4IA of Mt. Dora a Silent Key, WD4HIF WB4JMM WA4PLUY WA4SN & WB4WJ upgraded to General; WB4TVQ to Advanced. WA4RA; and by D-RNS. Five Flags ARA planning a homebrew contest. Officers of Playground ARC: WA4UFP, pres.; WB4TPR, vice-pres.; W4MMW, secy.; N4GQ, treas.; WA4NDX, activities. K4KPI now N4XS. Officers of Tallahassee ARC are: WB4CAL, pres.; WB4UPJ, secy.; WB4VDL, treas.; WA4WV and W4WVA built a potent double-vee antenna for Field Day. Gainesville ARS provided comm. for the Special Olympics at U. of FL. GARS also held a Swapfest recently. WB4QBB & K4MZK added 25 wpm endorsement on ARRL CP certificates; K4MZK also added radar endorsement to list phone ticket. WB4RIS busy on 20M CW with a new homebrew tri-band quad. N4EWA has a simplex 2 m. freq. for alerts — contact: N4LJ for details. Fernandina Beach BC station WYHI running programs on AR. Daytona Beach ARA and Hernando Co. ARA had traffic stations at public exhibits. WB4YPS NCS on VLF, W1UX/4 very active on traffic net. WA4GOS and WB4RIS from ARRL for reporting accident; OM W4MGO received award for efforts in publicizing amateur radio. Traffic: (July) W1UX/4 298, WB4QBB 285, WA4TXM 266, WA4CRI 228, K4BV 224, WA4FKE 198, WB4EXA 189, WB4GHU 180, W4SDR 180, WA4OEM 175, N4WA 150, WB4JMM 138, W4LDM 130, WA4EYV 112, N4SS 92, K4YKX 65, W4KX 63, W4ATZ 60, WB4E 51, WB4E 48, WB4IIO 57, W4JL 53, WA4TNC 53, WB4HRG 48, W4MGO 48, WB4DTS 47, WA4BZV 45, W4RH 45, WB4VDL 41, WB4UKX 25, WA4IWW 24, WB4NJI 23, WB4OWX 23, WA4EYU 21, WA4NDO 21, WB4YKW 17, WB4RIS 12, K4RNS 12, K4EX 10, WB4VAP 10, WB4YPS 8, WB4WYX 4, WB4LNO 2. (June) WA4STZ 29, WB4JUR 2.

SOUTHERN FLORIDA: SCM, Wondrow Huddleston, K4SCL — SEC: WB4ALH, Asst. SEC: W4WYR, RM: W4MEE, PAMs: WB4AID, WA4NBE. New appointments: WB4NJU QRP, W5RE/4 QRP, WA4ISB EC Sarasota. WB4ALH advises revised Section Emergency Plan is ready for printing and distribution. A new Hillsborough County plan is also ready. Pinellas Emergency net is adding another weekly session, this one being on 220 MHz band. PEN is also starting affiliation with NITS by sending liaison stations to EAST Net and GFN. Our only BR this month goes to W4MEE. Congrats again, Doug. WB4AID, K4NAN, W4MEE and WB4NJU turned in nice PSHR scores. Our only Tech/Novice PSHR goes again to WA4GGV. Congrats, Bud. K4NAN was the only one to claim credit for handling emergency msgs directly with disaster area. With the Johnstown Flood (6/19/73), we believe many stations missed a good opportunity. WA4ZHU is leaving Aug. 25 to attend University of Texas. Good luck, Randy. Congrats to ex-WB4FLW on new call N4TW. With so many new calls it is hard to tell who you are talking to, but there are some very distinctive lists you can recognize regardless of what they sign. Then there's the guy who always sets up 200-300 Hz below net frequency and the guy who is always so weak you know it couldn't be anybody else. And how about the guy who always zeros in while radiating full power? You soon get to know who they are, even without benefit of call sign! Traffic: (July) W4MEE 621, K4SCL 253, K4SJIH, WB4JVPV 204, WB4WYG 186, WA4GYR 173, WB4AID 135, K4NAN 118, WA4PFK 115, WA4NBE 102, W4WYR 97, W4DVO 88, WB4NJI 81, WB4ALH 70, W4GRL 68, WA4E 62, W4NTE 59, W4NFK 56, W4QM 49, WA4YHU 43, W4EJA 39, WB4PIB 35, WA4QGV 32, K4BLM 28, W4GJK 26, K4EJK 18, K4SJA 14, WB4FLW 7, WA4TJG 6, WA4TJM 4, N4TW 3, W4KGJ 2, W4SMK 2. (June) WA4GNI 12, WB4FLW 5, W4MML 4, WB4KYE 2.

WEST INDIES: SCM, David Novoa, KP4BDL — Glad to hear good participation from this section in the IARU Championship. The YL Radio Club had a mini-hamfest at pres. KP4CL's home. Very nice party. They have a net on Wed. evening over 2/5/85 repeater. The DX Club of Puerto Rico was reorganized. New Board of Directors: KP4BL, pres.; KP4CL, vice-pres.; KP4DMZ, secy-treas.; KP4S, CLB, dir. The DX Net is on Sun. at 1430Z on 7230 kHz. KP4CM back in Puerto Rico after some time in the W4-Land. KG4AN is active on 20 ssb. KV4AA brass pounding on all bands. The Union Carbide Caribe Amateur Radio Club is active again with KP4APB giving Novice course and offering to report that KP4QA became a Silent Key. KP4BSQ is now EC and is assisting KP4CV in the ARES. Traffic: KP4EHF 92, KP4HG 46, KP4BSQ 42, KP4DGT 6.

SOUTHWESTERN DIVISION

ARIZONA: SCM, Marshall Lincoln, W7DQS — PAMs: W7UQG WA7KQE. RM: W7EP. Congratulations to W7HFR, honored as Ham of the Year by the Amateur Radio Council of AZ at the Ft. Tuthill Hamfest. The Scottsdale ARC is presenting a set of ARRL publications to the Scottsdale library. K7OO has moved from Kingman to North Hollywood, where he is chief engineer of KIOG. The Miners of Cottonwood is now affiliated with ARRL. The Cactus Net plans a picnic for the Tucson area in Oct. W6LGC, a conductor on Amtrak traveling frequently through northern AZ, often is heard operating through the Kingman repeater, and handled health and welfare traffic through the machine during a derailing. The Phoenix repeater club now has an autopatch on 440 MHz. Ex-WA7CNP now is N6NR at San Diego. Rick has an article on designing solid-state RF power circuits in Aug. QST. Nets (July): Cactus 182, ATEN 64. Traffic: W7EP 128, K7UXB 82, W7HFR 53, W7CAG 35, WA7KQE 31, K7NMQ 13, W7RO 12, K7GH 10, WA7WEB 8, K7RL 4, W7DQS 3, K7GLA 3.

LOS ANGELES: SCM, Eugene H. Violino, W6INH — RMs: WB6PKA. Well the summer doldrums and vacation time is taking its toll this month. The last

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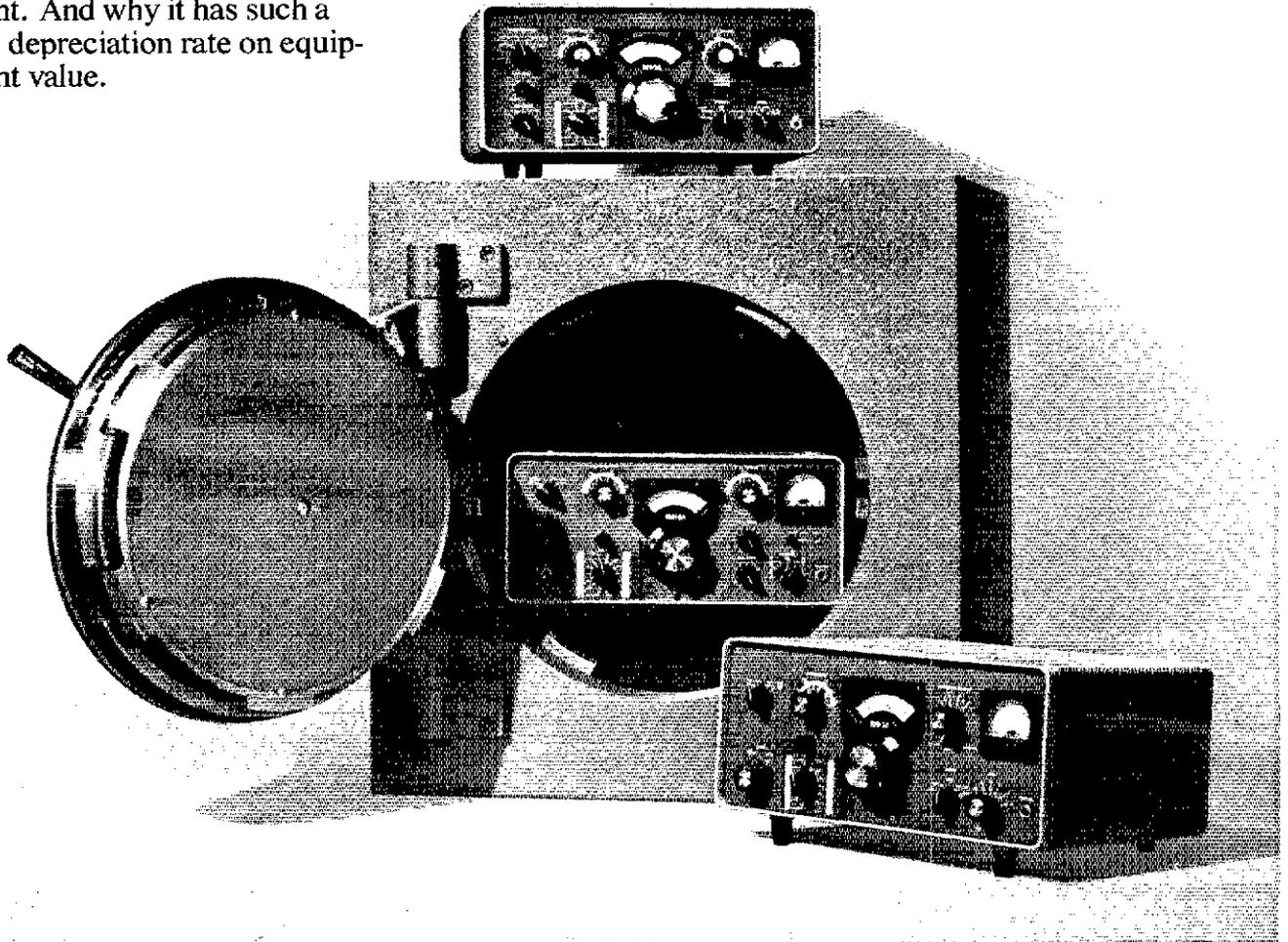
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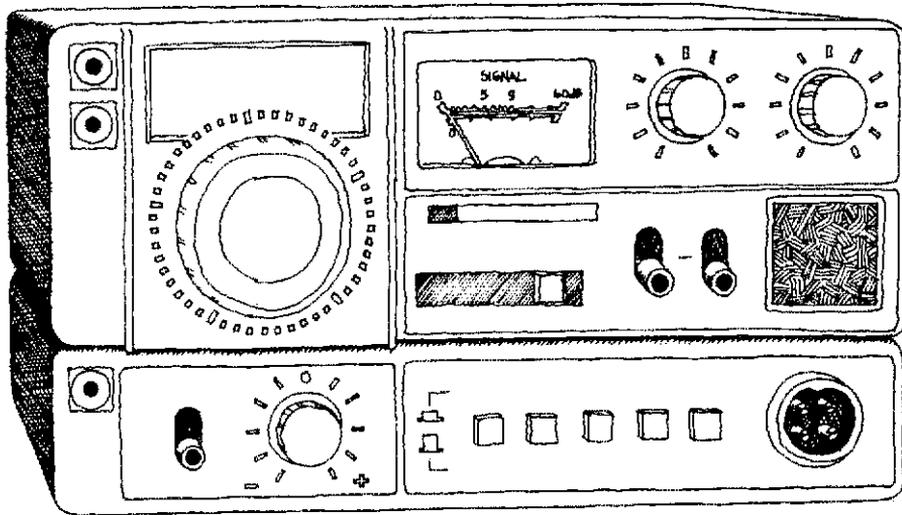


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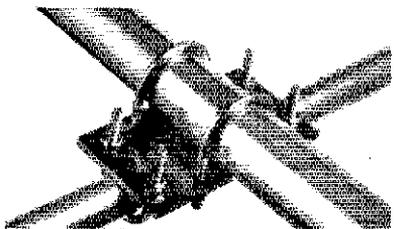
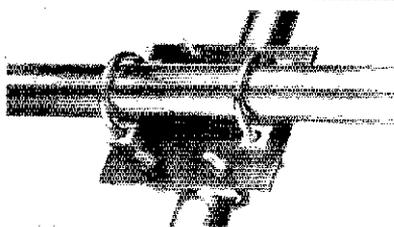
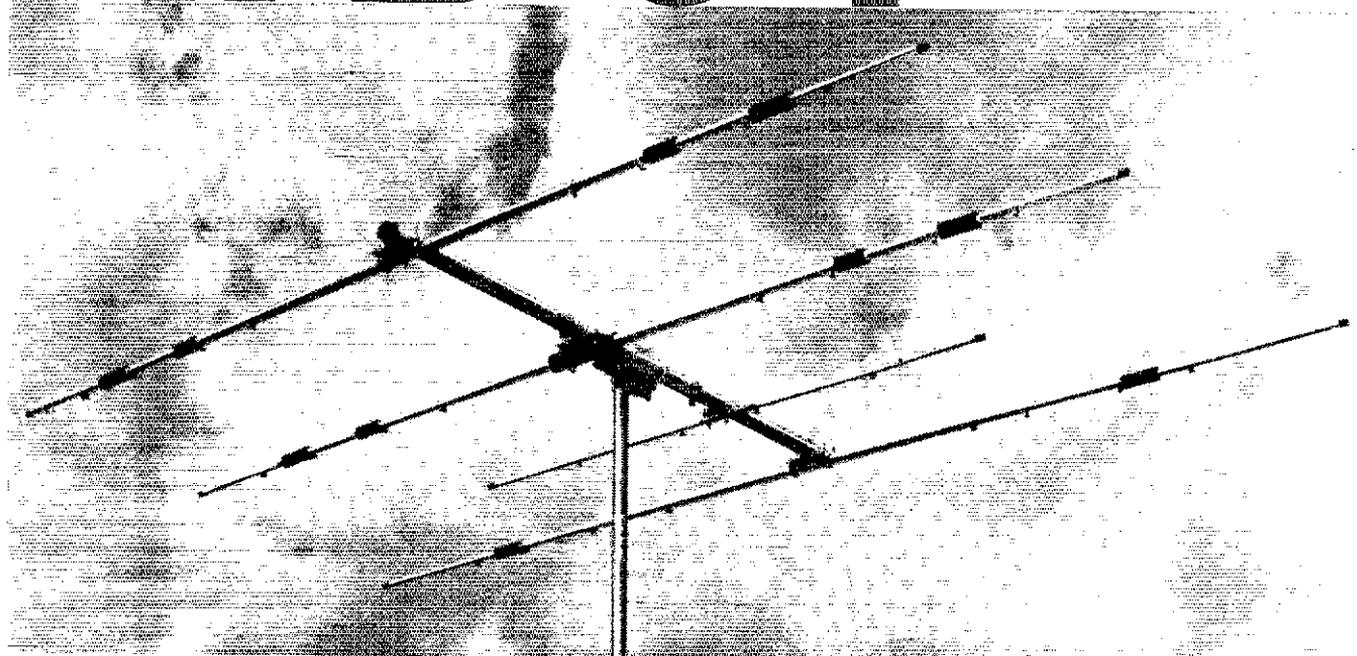


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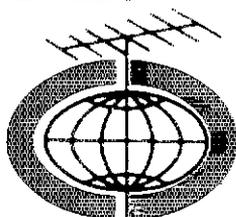
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part of July has been a very dry and warm one, which accounts for the drop in activity. In most cases the regular nets have been keeping up, however, with the regulars doing double duty. WB6PKA is the proud owner of an FT-3015 solid-state transceiver, which he is also using mobile. He is planning to build a solid state 200 watt amp for same. W6NOL is the proud owner of a new T5520 and is putting up dipoles as fast as he can climb palm trees. W6HUJ is house hunting at the moment, expect to be active again soon. The United RC of San Pedro is planning to have a booth at the Santa Maria convention with the P.C. board giveaway. Congrats to W6SARP on passing the Extra class exam. Bruce Johnson formerly, WA6IDN, who is now the International Editor ARRL/QST, has been making a whirlwind tour of the local radio clubs. If you remember Bruce used to be very active on SCN. Don't forget the San Gabriel Valley Radio Club annual Dec. dinner at the Castaways near Pomona, the date Dec. 2. received Bulletin from the West Valley Amateur Radio Club. The WVARC meets at 7:30 PM on the Fourth Tue. of each month at the Boy Scout Clubhouse at 5650 Shoup Ave. at Collins St.. Let's help these fellows make a big success of the club by calling Matt Futterman, N6PN 781 1392. The TRW RC next Swap Meet and Auction is scheduled for Oct. 2, 1977. Lets make this a big one. Traffic: W6INH 162, N6PZ 102, W6SGZ 60, W6GAE 52, W6BRO 42, WB6YID 42, K6CL 40, K6EA 40, W6HUJ 32, W6BWG 24, WB6JFD 18, W6USY 16, WB6AIT 8, W6NKE 5.

SAN DIEGO: SCM, Arthur R. Smith, W6INI — Only 11 months until the ARRL National Convention in San Diego, Sept. 22-24, 1978. Plan your vacation now. Don't forget the Southwestern Division Convention in Santa Maria, Oct. 7-9. Santa Maria is famous for its barbecue dinners. W6INI represented ARRL at Red Cross Disaster Institute in Claremont, CA. Aug. 1 thru 12. Other amateurs attending: W6ZHI, W6GFT. Santa Barbara fire disaster pointed out need for manual phone patches on 2 meters. N6RU conducts licensing classes at Claremont High School on Tue. for Novice and General, on Thur. for Advanced and Extra. Time 1830, rooms 102-3. ARES mini-drill on July 31 involved 40 members. Upgraded: WA6OR1 to Extra; WA6JFH, WA6SYN to Advanced; WD6AHE, WB6VYQ to General. WA6MMH working DX with new 14AVQ. New ARES members: WD6APA, W6BFQ, WB6D5P, WB6EUL, WA6LAW, WA6LXW, WA6LZC, WA6NEL, WA6NLF, WA6OUA, W6PEC, W6PWH, W6QX, WB6QQQ, WB6RWP, WB6SMD, WA6SMM, WB6YFA, WB6TFL. Amateurs equipped with gas-engine generators should ensure that they have an approved spark arrestor. Calif. Dept. of Forestry inspected several Field Day sites and acquainted clubs with requirements. Traffic: WB6PVH 430, W6GFTY 320, N6GW 199, WA6UAZ 139, WB2BKC, N6AT 72, W6DEY 33, K6PM 2.

SANTA BARBARA: SCM, D. Paul Gagnon, N6MA — SEC: W66HW, RM: K6XO, VHF PAM: W6KPS, HF PAM: Vacant. N6MA spoke at Siml Settlers ARC. Siml hams contact WA6OHX for info. SBARC Bazaar a big success and fun thanks to leadership of WA6TUO. Poinsettia ARC set up a booth at Ventura July 4th celebration and originated 150 msgs. W6NAZ and W6VGG gave an excellent show on broadcasting at Poinsettia ARC in July and WA6UEO discussed repeaters in June. Satellite ARC Vandenberg, has over 100 members. N6NB spoke on VHF mountaintopping at Camarillo Mike and Key meeting. WA6GRD and WB6VBR advised race for Santa Paula bike race. Hospital comm drill was handled in JO by W6NAZ and Disaster Comm Group led by W6SPT and WB6WGE. Northern SB County ARES net meets at 1930 Mon. on 147.81721. The Section ARES net (10 AM Sun. on 3935) was activated during the Montecito fire with WA6BLS R/S for 24 hours. Over 125 msgs handled and over 160 into contacts. ARES performed well using WR6ANW (19/79) to assist the Red Cross under leadership of WA6TUO and WA6OZQ. Congrats to all 5B ARES on a job well done. WB6EDA has a new quad up. K6XO found band condx poor for DX/contests. KH6IGU has five bands of antennas up in circuit. W6DKQ now N6MB. W6BTFV is N6FR. WARRGJ is N6IS. WB6GRW/WB6HJW/WB6MGI teaching Novice class for Hancock College. W6ITW moving to OR to do microwave maintenance for Telco. N6NB traveling in the east on an EME DXpedition. XYL and harmonic of K6WI are now W6SFTY and W6SFWX. WA6UDY a Silent Key. PSHR: K6W 34, WA6VBS, WA6JBC 42, N6MA 40. Traffic: (July) WA6VBS 246, N6MA 114, K6WI 166, KH6IGU 108, K6XO 8. (June) KH6IGU 208, WA6LBO 95, WB6HJW 2.

WEST GULF DIVISION

NORTHERN TEXAS: SCM, Ted Helthecker, W5EJ — SEC: W5DWL, RM: W5LA. 1977 Field Day activity reports from T1, Plano, Denton County and Dallas Amateur Radio Clubs in this area. It was a good Field Day, and enjoyed by all we talked to. Want to comment on traffic — we receive many messages from TTN and others, service generally better than US mail, meant to be a compliment. Urge you check in to TTN on 3961 or any others you have a chance to make. Two big hamfests in Aug. were Texas VHF Society and Golden Spread at Amarillo. Visited on 2 meters with friends in Amarillo, Borger, Dumas, Clayton and points west while traveling to GC early in month. Dallas Amateur Radio Club through WA5ZNY and others persuaded Mayor Folsom to proclaim June 25-26 as Amateur Radio Weekend in Dallas. Good publicity for Amateur Radio! W5TI reports good activity on 160, and is plugging for more activity on that band using special antennas for receiving. Panhandle ARC watermelon feast reported good, with plenty of melons for all. July 17. W5DWL has volunteered to help with NTEX activities, and we expect to get him on the line soon. There are a bunch of traffic handlers who always report activity and to them we want to say thanks for sticking in and pushing the traffic through. K5SOR particularly reports Novice activity with 221. W5BI, W5BIC, W5SDUT on regularly. K5SOR rebuilding, but not missing a stroke. WA5EQQ reports public service activity, not quite enough for honor roll, but working on it. W5BTMN attended Scout Jamboree in PA in Aug. General activity down some, but with 105 degree weather its expected. Send in reports and make Aug. a good month. Public Service activity by N2TJ/S WA5EQQ, W5PXM, W5SVC and WA5PI. Maybe a few honor roll members next month? Traffic: W5MTN 57, K5SOR 33, W5G5N 1, WA5QXD 1.

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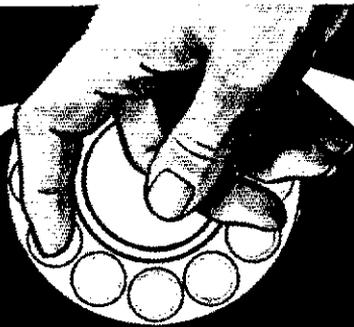


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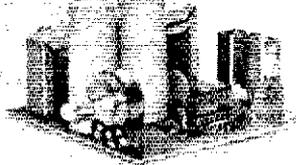
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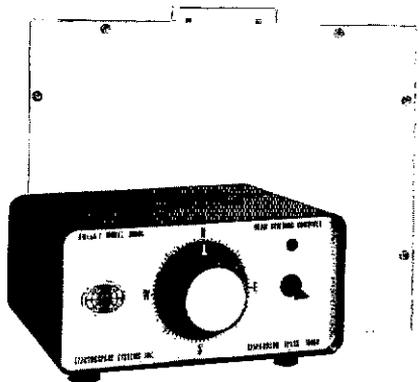
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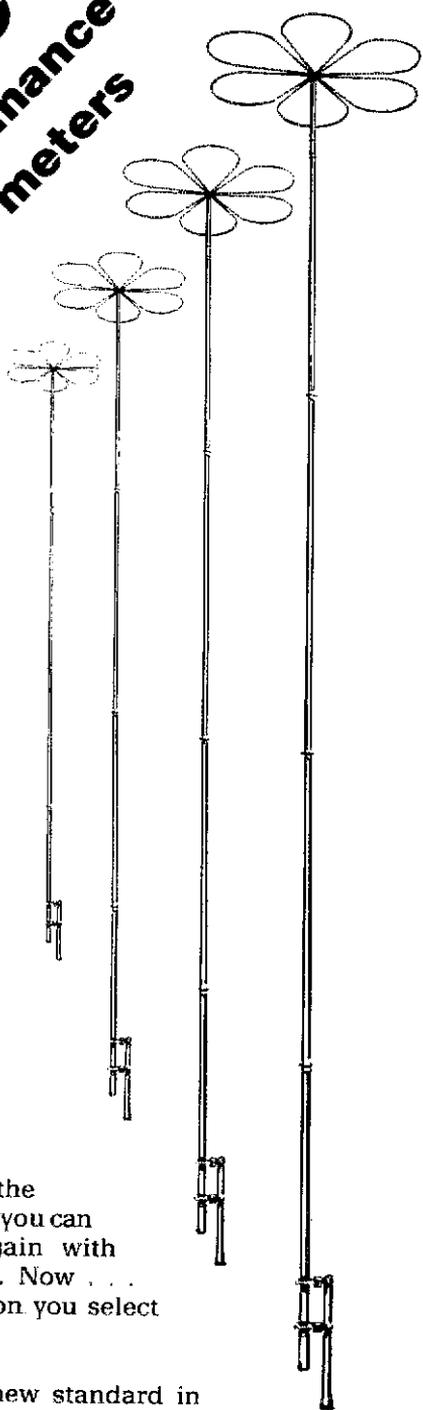
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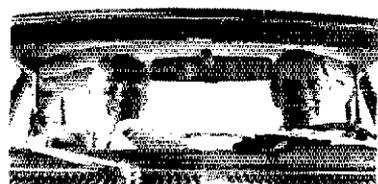
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SOUTHERN TEXAS: SCM, Art Ross, W5KR -- SEC: W5TQP. PAM: N5TC. RM: K5RG to July 31, then WA5RKU. QOS rptg this month: K5MUK (also a late rpt for June), K5DL WA5VAH N52Z. QVS rptg this month: WA5QCP. ORS/OPS WA5RKU is RM effective Aug. 1, vice K5RC, resigned. Thanks go to Ken for a very good job. QBS W5KLV and OPS WA5VBM made 6PL in July; Sister Mary rptg successful emergency operation of TS-520 on large battery for three hours during power failure in Lutkin. ORS K5ROZ heard often checking into 7290 Net mobile. Asst. EC WA5RVT has new 300W emergency alternator. OPS WA5LW rptg WB5RGN has changed call to N5JD; W5SURV upgraded to Advanced and has new 45-ft. crank-up tower. EC WB5TNN has new FT-101E and homebrew linear amplifier of 4-811s in grounded grid; also rptg K5AJN enjoying new FT-101E on 20-mtr CW DX; WA5HSR has new T4RC, SB-220 and TH6DX; W5VLR caught VHF-Cosat fever with TS-700 and two eleven-element Cushcraft at 70-ft. plus a Cushcraft "twist" and new 140W KLM amp. ORS WA5JYH enjoyed visiting and operating W1AW while on vacation, also enjoying DX with new TH6DX. K5QEW reports new Amateur Radio Club in Abilene County; have 20 members; new repeater is on 148.317.91 and operational when license is received; K5KTX, pres.; K5TK, secy.-treas. Traffic: (July) W5KLV 662, WA5VBM 370, K5HZR 354, WA5YEA 295, WA5RKU 107, N5TC 67, WB5GVO 42, K5MUK 37, W5BHO 28, W5RWW 25, W5GO 24, W5JYH 24, WB5TNN 22, WB5LW 18, W5KR 15, K5RVT 8, WA5RVT 8. (June) WA5GG/5 62, WB5GVO 47, WA5JYH 19, WB5TNN 19, K5MUK 17, W5BHO 12, WB5LW 9, WA5RVT 8, K5ROZ 2.

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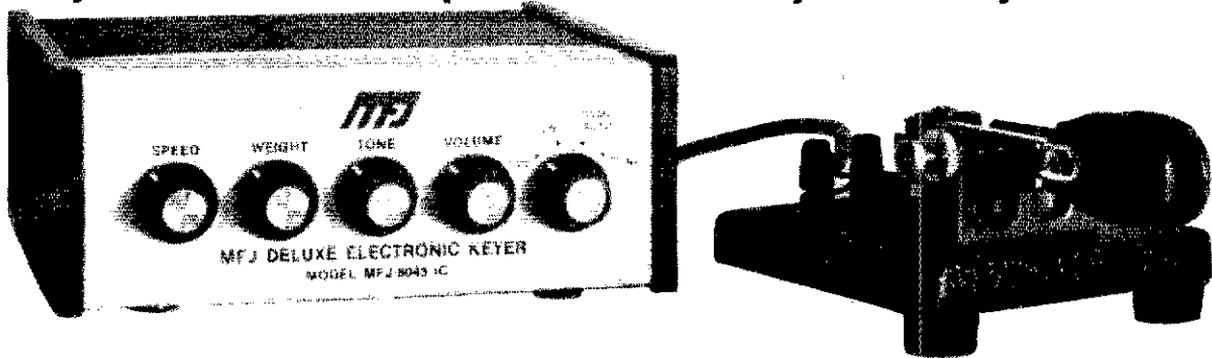
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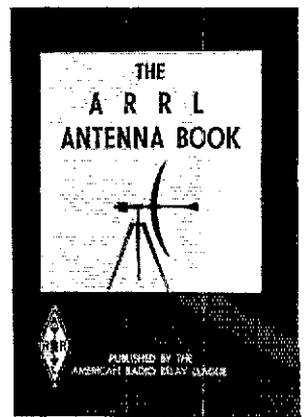
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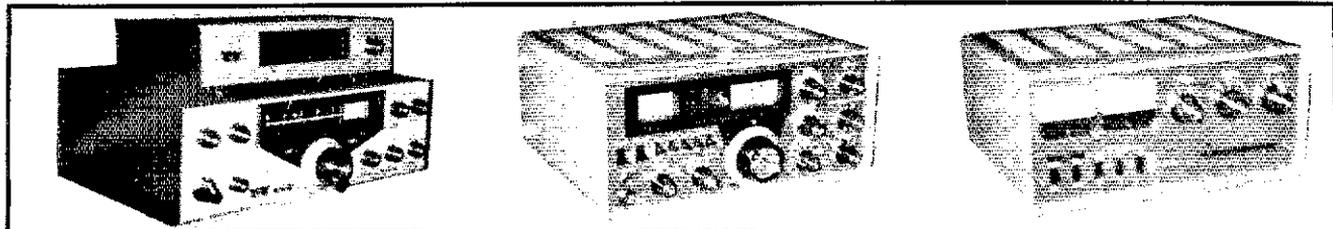
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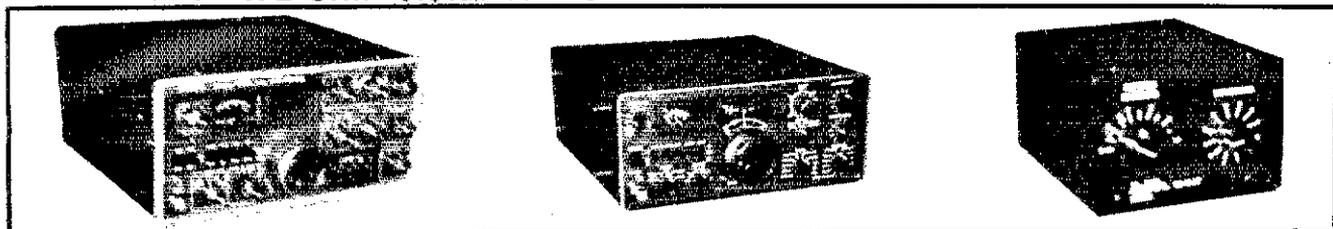
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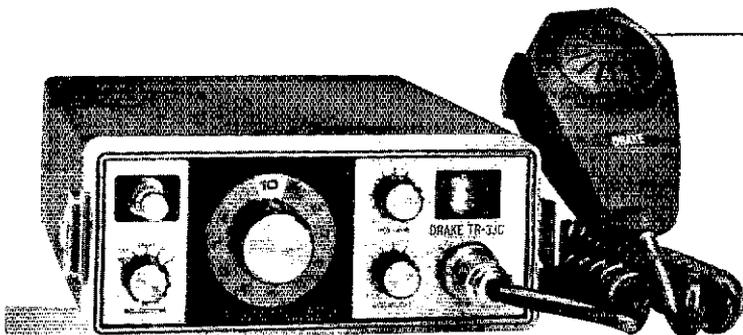
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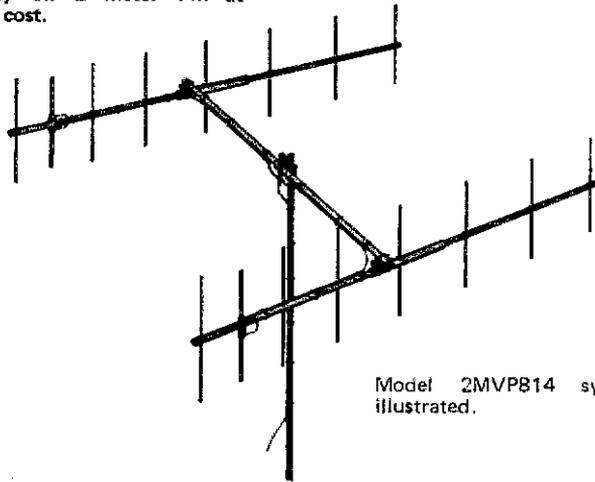
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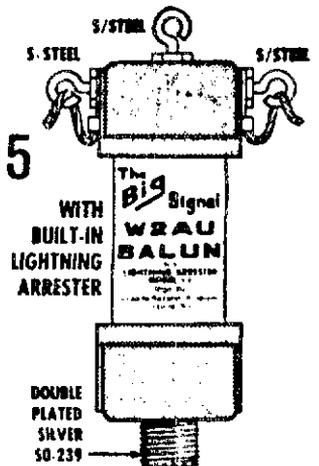
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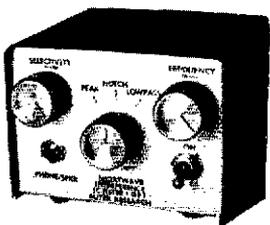
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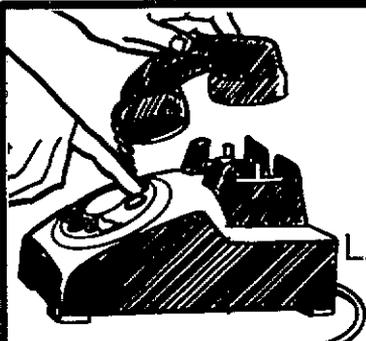
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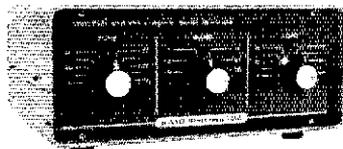
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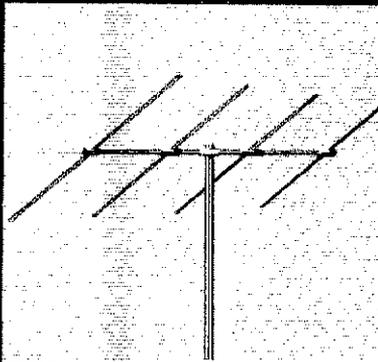
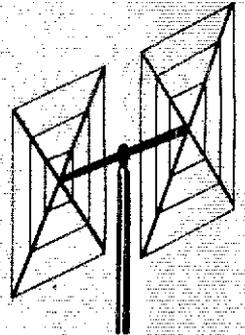
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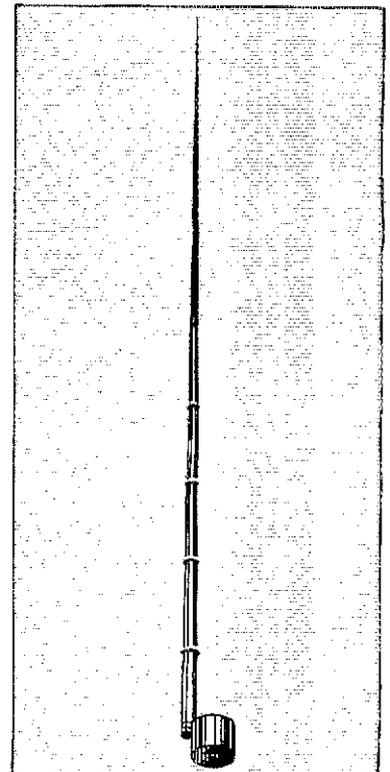
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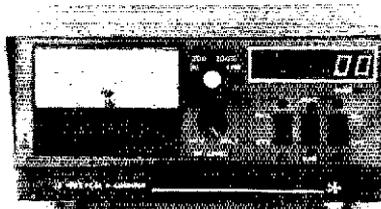
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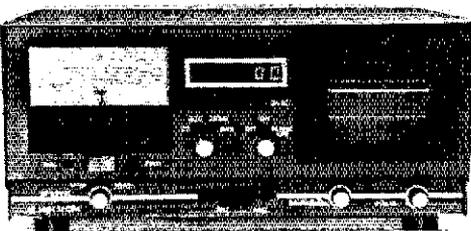
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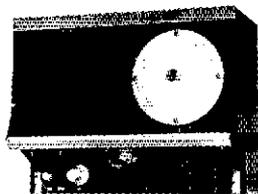


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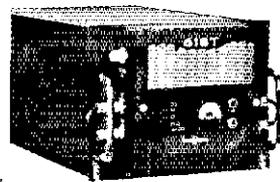
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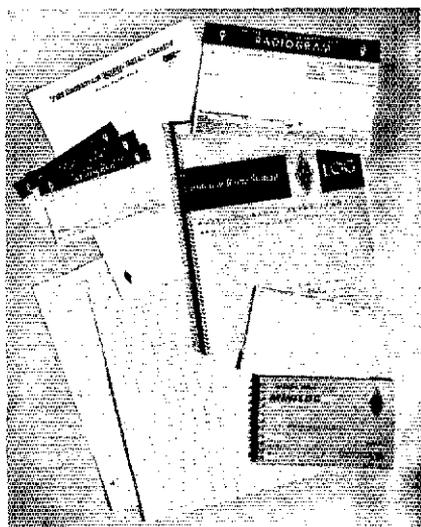


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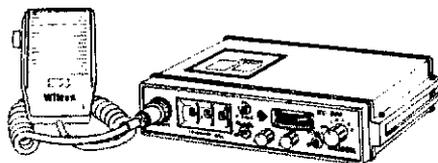
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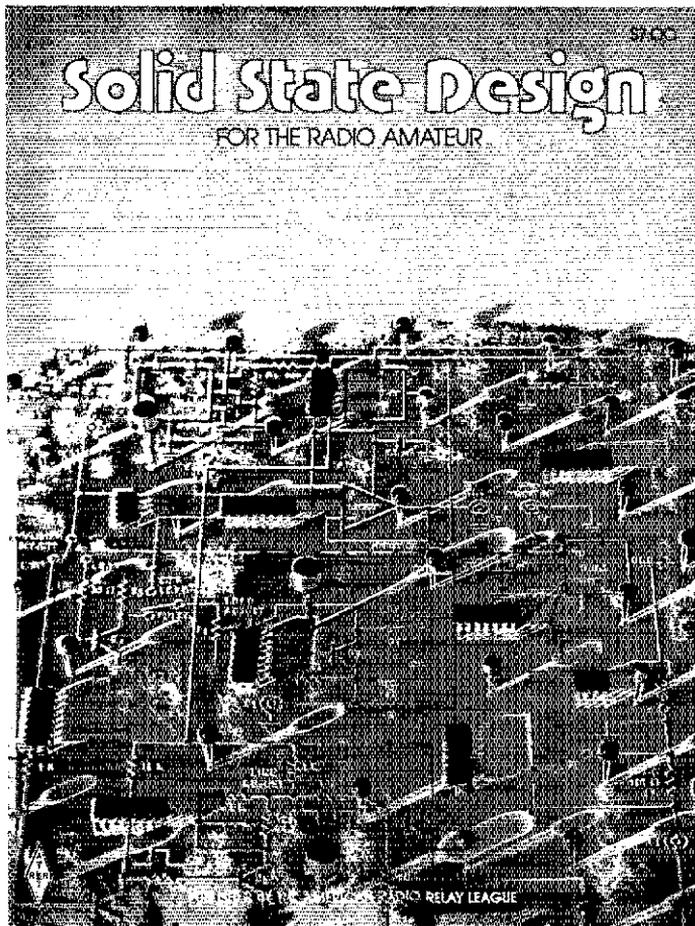
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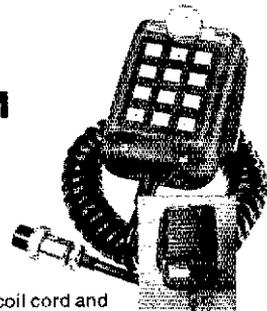
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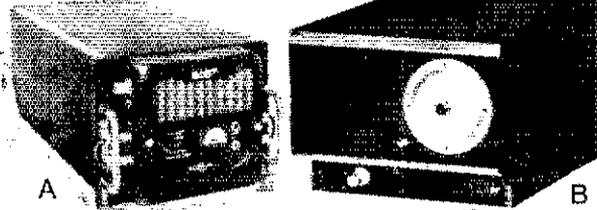
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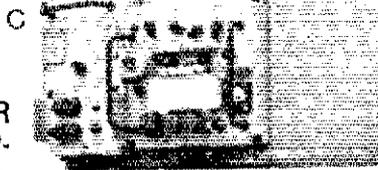
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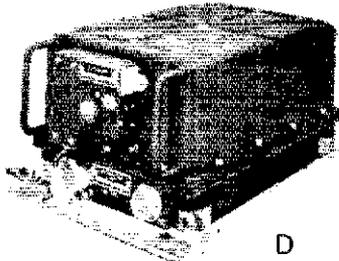
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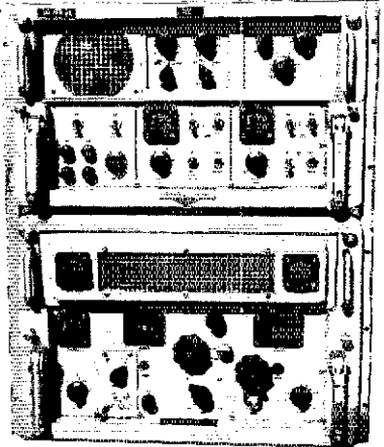


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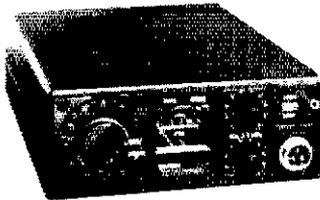
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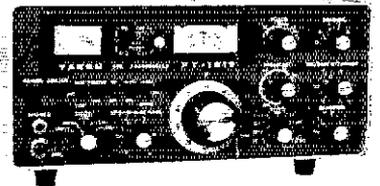
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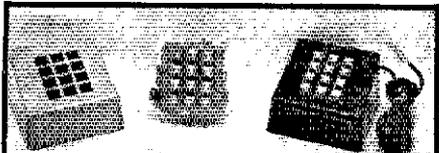
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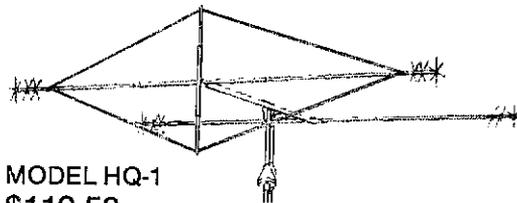


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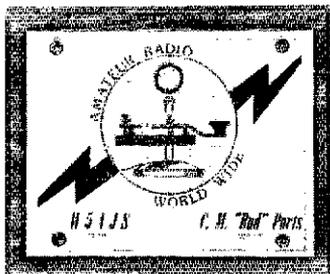
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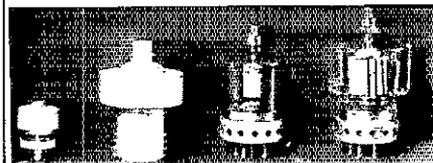
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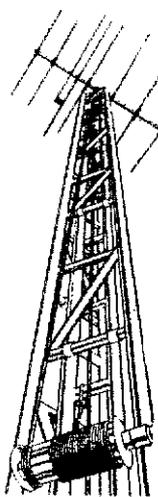
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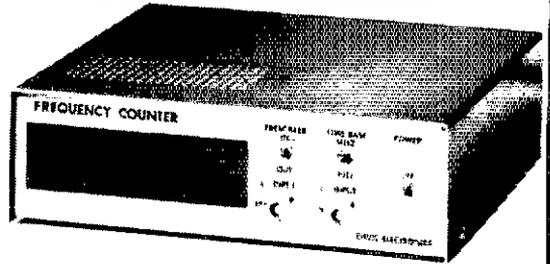
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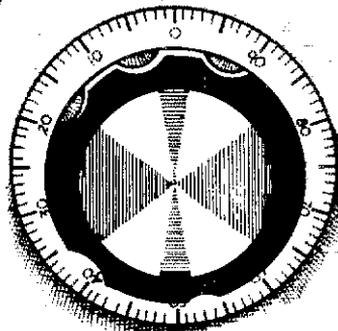
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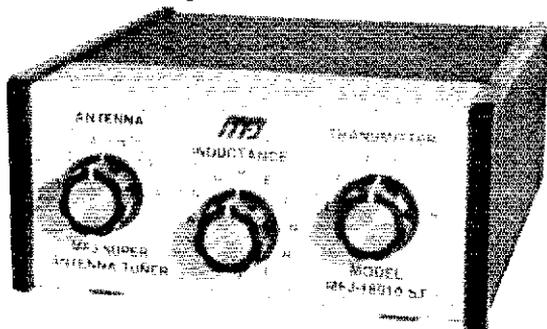
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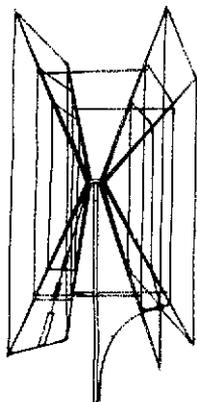
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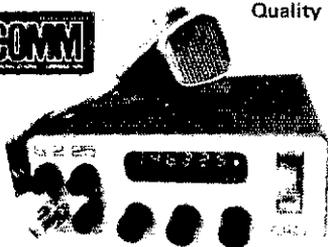
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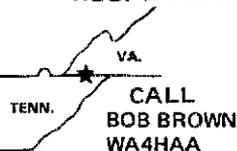


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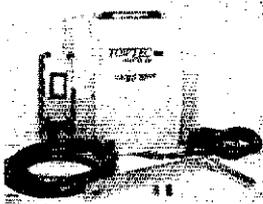
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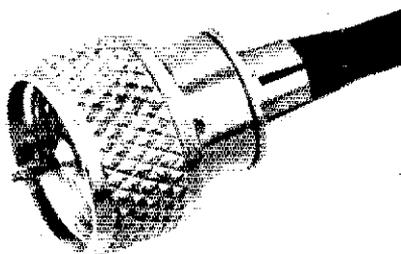
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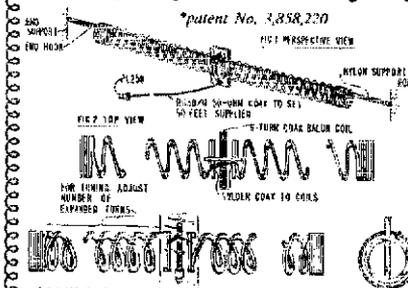
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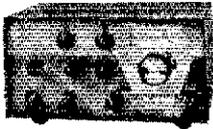
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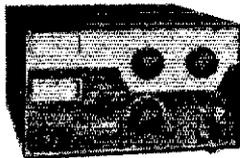
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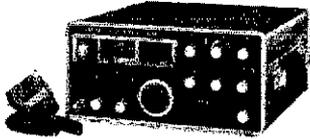
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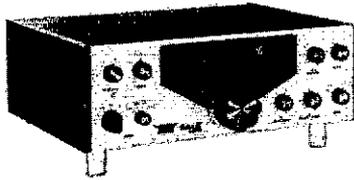
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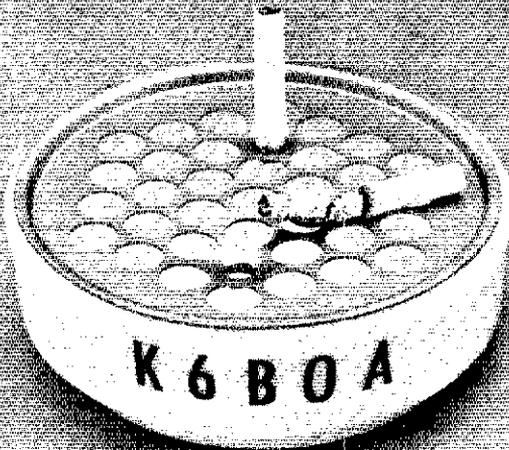
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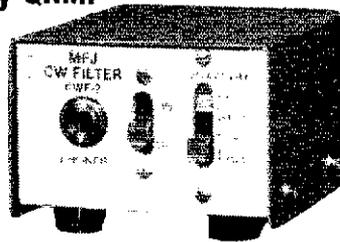
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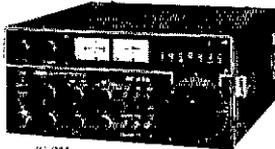
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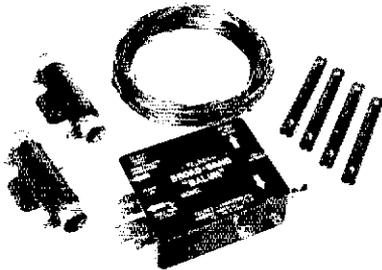
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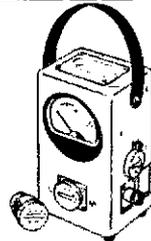
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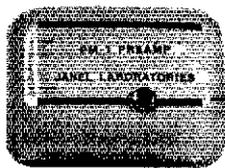
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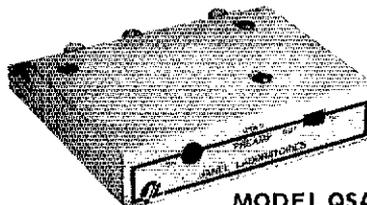
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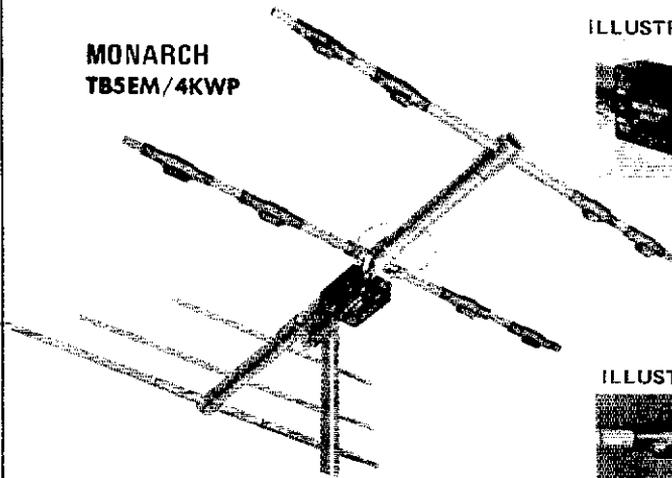


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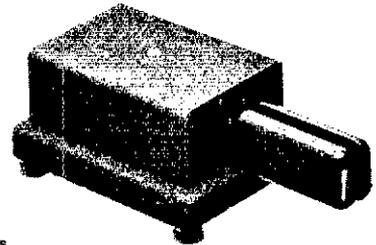
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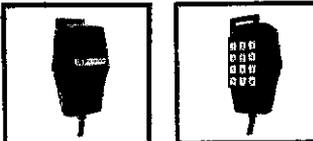
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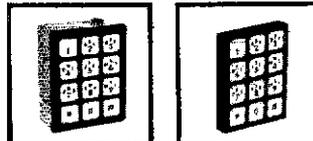
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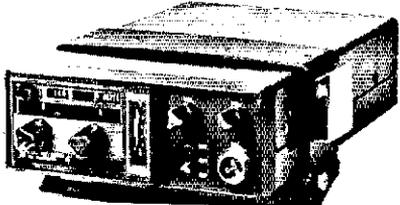
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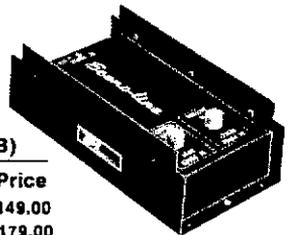
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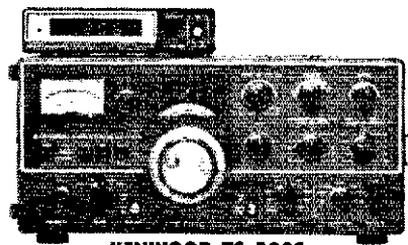
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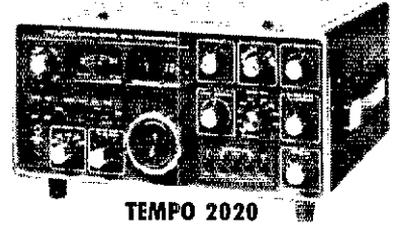
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DIGITAL DISPLAY DG-5 (option)

The Kenwood DG-5 provides easy, accurate readout of your operating frequency while transmitting and receiving.

OUTSTANDING RECEIVER SENSITIVITY AND MINIMUM CROSS MODULATION

The TS-520S incorporates a 3SK35 dual gate MOSFET for outstanding cross modulation and spurious response characteristics. The 3SK35 has a low noise figure (3.5 dB typ.) and high gain (18 dB typ.) for excellent sensitivity.

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FINAL AMPLIFIER

The TS-520S is completely solid state except for the driver (12BY7A) and the final tubes. Rather than substitute TV sweep tubes as final amplifier tubes in a state of the art amateur transceiver,

Kenwood has employed two husky 5-2001A (equivalent to 6T4BB) tubes. These rugged, time-proven tubes are known for their long life and superb linearity.

EFFICIENT NOISE BLANKING CIRCUIT

An effective noise blanking circuit developed by Kenwood that virtually eliminates ignition noise is built into the TS-520S.

ATTENUATOR

The TS-520S has a built-in 20 dB attenuator that can be activated by a push button switch conveniently located on the front panel.

REAR PANEL JACKS

A special jack on the rear panel of the TS-520S provides receiver signals to an external receiver for increased station versatility. A switch on the rear panel determines the signal path... the receiver in the TS-820 or any external receiver.

REMOTE VFO

The VFO-520 remote VFO matches the styling of the TS-520S and provides maximum operating flexibility on the band selected on your TS-520S.

POWER SUPPLY

The TS-520S is completely self-contained with a rugged AC power supply built-in. The addition of the DS-1A DC-DC converter (optional) allows for mobile operation of the TS-520S.

PHONE PATCH CONNECTION

The TS-520S has 2 convenient RCA phono jacks on the rear panel for PHONE PATCH IN and PHONE PATCH OUT.

CW-520 - CW FILTER (OPTION)

The CW-520-500 Hz filter can be easily installed and will provide improved operation on CW.

ADJUSTED TYPE AGC CIRCUIT

The AGC circuit has 3 positions (OFF, FAST, SLOW) to enable the TS-520S to be operated in the optimum condition at all times whether operating CW or SSB.

The TS-520S retains all of the features of the original TS-520 that made it tops in its class: RIT control • 8-pole crystal filter • Built-in 25 KHz calibrator • Front panel carrier level control • Semi-break-in CW with sidetone • VOX/PTT/MOX • TUNE position for low power tune up • Built-in speaker • Built-in Cooling Fan • Provisions for 4 fixed frequency channels • Heater switch.

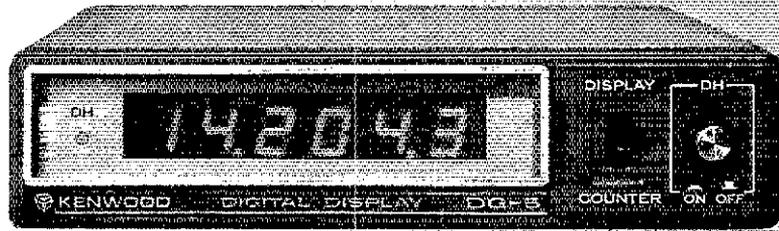
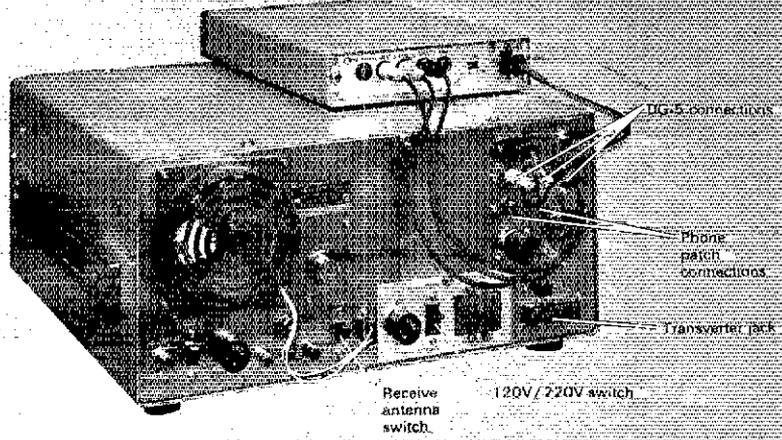
TS-520 Specifications

Amateur Bands: 160-10 meters, plus WWV (receive only)
 Modes: USB, LSB, CW
 Antenna Impedance: 50-75 Ohms
 Frequency Stability: Within 1 kHz during one hour after one minute of warmup, and within 100 Hz during any 30 minute period thereafter.
 Tubes & Semiconductors:
 Tubes: 3 (52001A x 2, 12BY7A)
 Transistors: 52
 FETs: 19
 Diodes: 101
 Power Requirements: 120/220 V AC, 50/60 Hz, 13.8 V DC (with optional DS-1A)
 Power Consumption: Transmit: 280 Watts; Receive: 26 Watts (with heater off)
 Dimension: 333(13 3/4) W x 153 (6-0) H x 335(13.3/16) D mm(inch)
 Weight: 16.0 kg(35.2 lbs)

TRANSMITTER
 RF Input Power: SSB: 200 Watts; PEP CW: 160 Watts DC
 Carrier Suppression: Better than -40 dB
 Sideband Suppression: Better than -50 dB
 Spurious Radiation: Better than -40 dB
 Microphone Impedance: 50k Ohms
 AF Response: 400 to 2,600 Hz

RECEIVER
 Sensitivity: 0.25 μ V for 10 dB (S+N)/N
 Selectivity: SSB: 2.4 kHz/-6 dB, 4.4 kHz/-60 dB
 Selectivity: CW: 0.5 kHz/-6 dB, 1.5 kHz/-60 dB (with optional CW-520 filter)
 Image Ratio: Better than 50 dB
 IF Rejection: Better than 50 dB
 AF Output Power: 1.0 Watt (8 Ohm load, with less than 10% distortion)
 AF Output Impedance: 4 to 16 Ohms

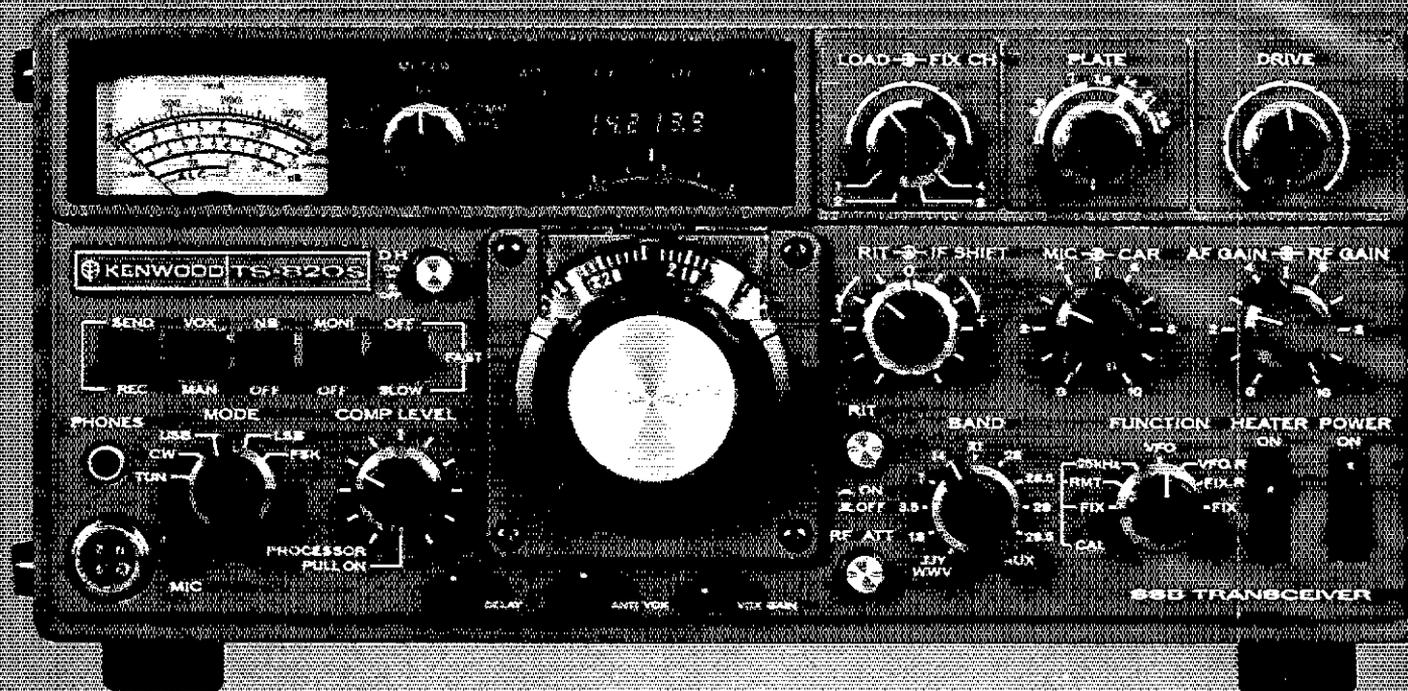
DG-5 SPECIFICATIONS
 Measuring Range: 100 Hz to 40 MHz
 Input Impedance: 5 k Ohms
 Gate Time: 0.1 Sec.
 Input Sensitivity: 100 Hz to 40 MHz: 200 mV rms or over, 10 kHz to 10 MHz: 50 mV or over
 Measuring Accuracy: Internal time base accuracy ± 0.1 count
 Time Base: 10 MHz
 Operating Temperature: -10° to 50° C/14° to 122° F
 Power Requirement: Supplied from TS-520S or 12 to 16 VDC (nominal 13.8 VDC)
 Dimensions: 167(6.9/16) W x 43(1.1/16) H x 268(10.9/16) D mm(inch)
 Weight: 1.3 kg(2.9 lbs)



The luxury of digital readout is available on the TS-520S by connecting the DG-5 readout (option). More than just the average readout circuit, this counter mixes the carrier, VFO, and heterodyne frequencies to give you an exact frequency. This handsomely-styled accessory can be set almost anywhere in your shack for easy to read operation... or set it on the dash-board during mobile operation for safety and convenience. Six bold digits display your operating frequency while you transmit and receive. Complete with DH (display hold) switch for frequency memory and 2 position intensity selector. The DG-5 can also be used as a normal frequency counter up to 40 MHz at the touch of a switch. (Input cable provided.)
 NOTE: TS-520 owners can use the DG-5 with a DK-820 adapter kit.

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TS-820S

WITH DIGITAL FREQUENCY DISPLAY

We told you that the TS-820 would be best. In little more than a year our promise has become a fact. Now, in response to hundreds of requests from amateurs, Kenwood offers the TS-820S*, the same superb transceiver, but with the digital readout factory installed. As an owner of this beautiful rig, you will have at your fingertips the combination of controls and features that even under the roughest operating conditions make the TS-820S the Pacesetter that it is.

Following are a few of the TS-820S' many exciting features.

PLL • The TS-820S employs the latest phase lock loop circuitry. The single conversion receiver section performance offers superb protection against unwanted cross-modulation. And now PLL allows the frequency to remain the same when switching sidebands (USB, LSB, CW) and eliminates having to recalibrate each time.

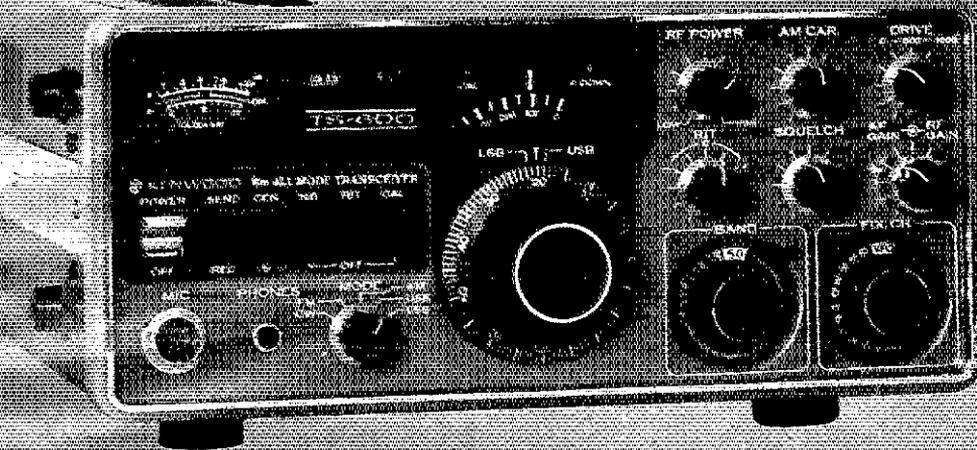
DIGITAL READOUT • The digital counter display is employed as an integral part of the VFO readout system. Counter mixes the carrier VFO, and first heterodyne frequencies to give exact frequency. Figures the frequency down to 10 Hz and digital display

reads out to 100 Hz. Both receive and transmit frequencies are displayed in easy-to-read, Kenwood Blue digits. **SPEECH PROCESSOR** • An RF circuit provides quick time constant compression, using a true RF compressor as opposed to an AF clipper. Amount of compression is adjustable to the desired level by a convenient front panel control.

IF SHIFT • The IF SHIFT control varies the IF passband without changing the receive frequency. Enables the operator to eliminate unwanted signals by moving them out of the passband of the receiver. This feature alone makes the TS-820S a pacesetter.

*The TS-820 and DG-1 are still available separately.

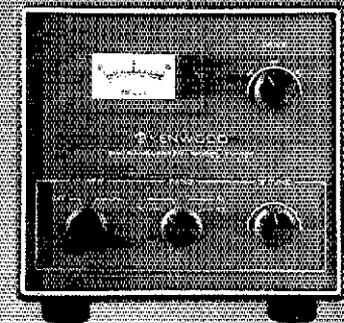
TS-600



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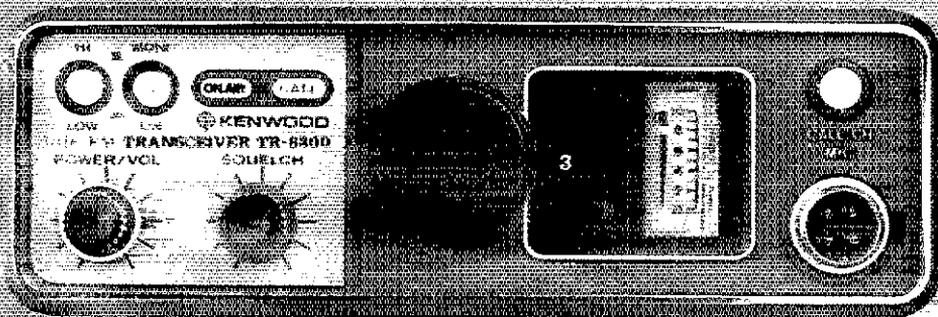
This 10 watt, solid state rig covers 50.0-54.0 MHz. The VFO tunes the band in 1 MHz segments. It also

has provisions for fixed frequency operation on NETS or to listen for beacons. State of the art features such as an effective noise blanker and the RIT (Receiver Incremental Tuning) circuit make the TS-600 another Kenwood "Pacesetter".



TV-506

An easy way to get on the 6 meter band with your TS-520/520S, TS-820/820S and most other transceivers. Simply plug it in and you're on - full band coverage with 10 watts output on SSB and CW.



TR-8300

Experience the luxury of 450 MHz at an economical price.

The TR-8300 offers high quality and superb performance as a result of many years of improving VHF/UHF design techniques. The trans-

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The TR-8300 incorporates a 5 section helical resonator and a

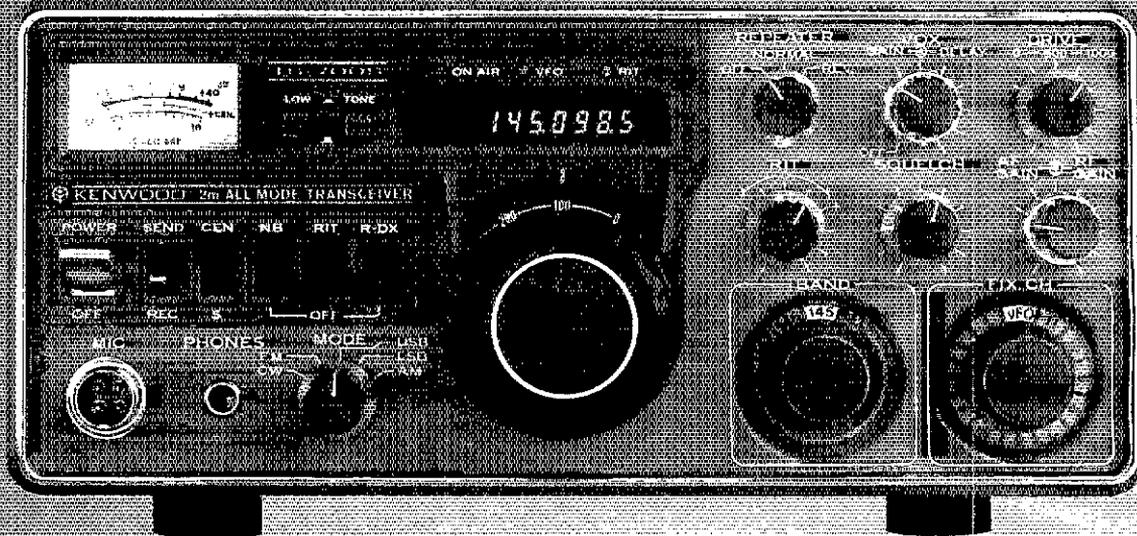
two-pole crystal filter in the IF section of the receiver for improved intermodulation characteristics. Receiver sensitivity, spurious response, and temperature characteristics are excellent.

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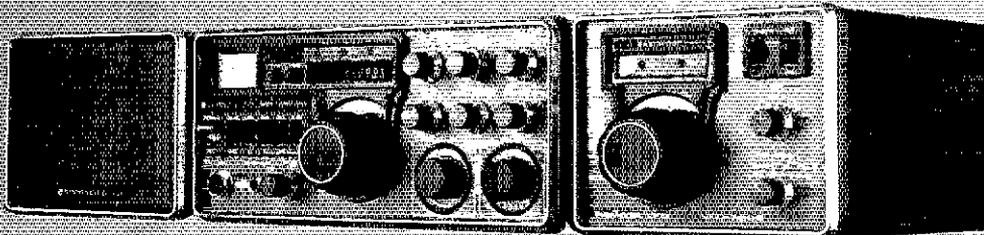
TS-700S

WITH DIGITAL FREQUENCY DISPLAY



Check out the new "built-ins": digital readout, receiver pre-amp, VFO, semi-break in, and CW sidetone! Of course, it's still all mode, 144-148 MHz and VFO controlled.

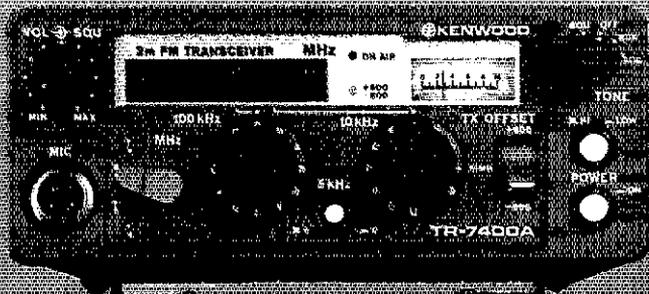
Features: Digital readout with "Kenwood Blue" digits • High gain receiver pre-amp • 1 watt lower power switch • Built in VOX • Semi-break in on CW • CW sidetone • Operates all modes: SSB (upper & lower), FM, AM and CW • Completely solid state circuitry provides stable, long lasting, trouble-free operation • AC and DC capability (operate from your car, boat, or as a base station through its built-in power supply) • 4 MHz band coverage (144 to 148 MHz) • Automatically switches transmit frequency 800 KHz for repeater operation. Simply dial in your receive frequency and the radio does the rest... simplex, repeater, reverse • Or accomplish the same by plugging a single crystal into one of the 11 crystal positions for your favorite channel • Transmit/Receive capability on 44 channels with 11 crystals.



VFO-700S

Handsomely styled and a perfect companion to the TS-700S. This unit provides you with the extra versatility and the luxury of having a second VFO in your shack. Great for split frequency operation and for tuning off frequency to check the band. The function switch

on the VFO-700S selects the VFO in use and the appropriate frequency is displayed on the digital readout in the TS-700S. In addition a momentary contact "frequency check" switch allows you to spot check the frequency of the VFO not in use.

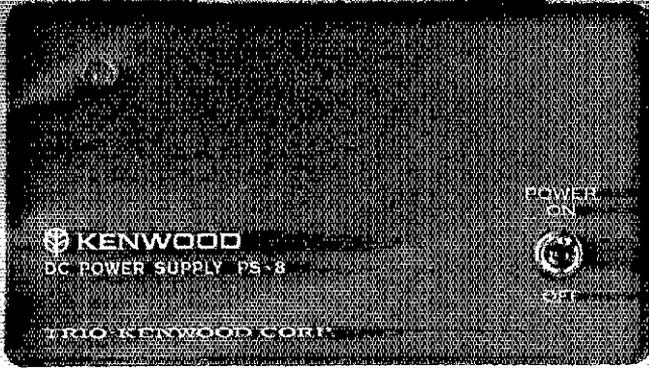


TR-7400A

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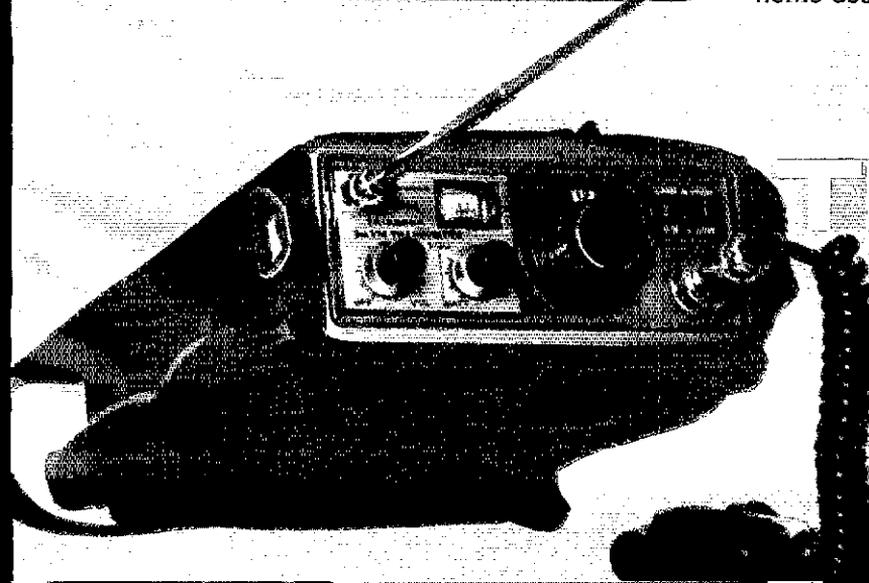
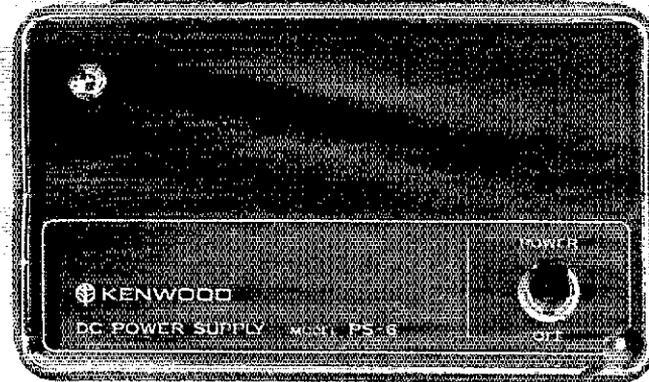
Outstanding sensitivity, large sized helical resonators with High Q, to minimize undesirable out-of-band interference, and give a 2-pole 10.7 MHz monolithic crystal filter combine to give your TR-7400A outstanding receiver performance. Intermodulation characteristics (Better than 66dB), spurious (Better than -60dB), image rejection (Better than -70dB), and a versatile squelch system make the TR-7400A tops in its class. Shown with the PS-8 power supply.

(Active filters and Tone Burst Modules optional)



TR-7500

This 100 channel PLL synthesized 146-148 MHz transceiver comes with 88 pre-programmed channels for use on all standard repeater frequencies (as per ARRL Band Plan) and most simplex channels. For added flexibility, there are 6 diode-programmable switch positions. The 15 KHz shift function makes these 6 positions into 12 channels. 10 watt output, ± 600 KHz offset and LED digital frequency display are just a few of the many fine features of the TR-7500. The PS-6 is the handsomely styled, matching power supply for the TR-7500. Its 3.5 amp current capacity and built-in speaker make it the perfect companion for home use of the TR-7500.



TR-2200A

The high performance portable 2-meter FM transceiver. 146-148 MHz, 12 channels (6 supplied), 2 watts or 400 mW RF output. Everything you need is included: Ni-Cad battery pack, charger, carrying case and microphone.

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Kenwood developed the T-599D transmitter and R-599D receiver for the most discriminating amateur.

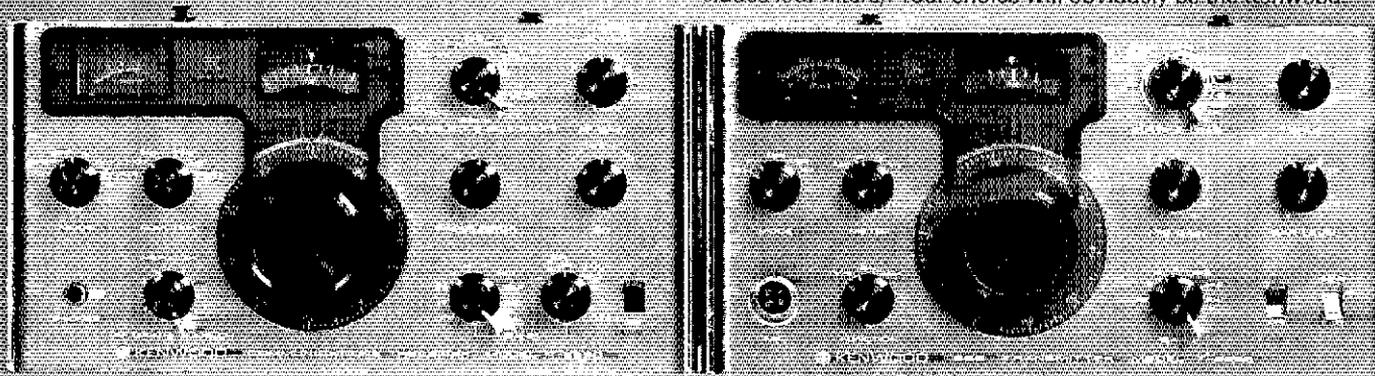
The R-599D is the most complete receiver ever offered. It is entirely solid-state, superbly reliable and compact. It covers the full amateur band, 10 through 160 meters, CW, SSB, USB, AM and FM.

The T-599D is solid-state with the exception of only three tubes, has built-in power supply and full metering. It operates CW, LSB, USB and AM and, of course, is a perfect match to the R-599D receiver.

If you have never considered the advantages of operating a receiver/transmitter combination, maybe you should.

Because of the larger number of controls and dual VFOs, the combination offers flexibility impossible to duplicate with a transceiver.

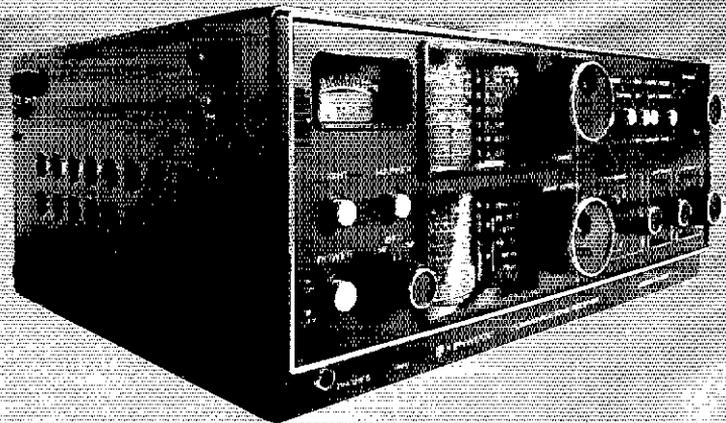
Compare the specs of the R-599D and the T-599D with any other brand. Remember, the R-599D is all solid state (and includes four filters). Your choice will obviously be the Kenwood.

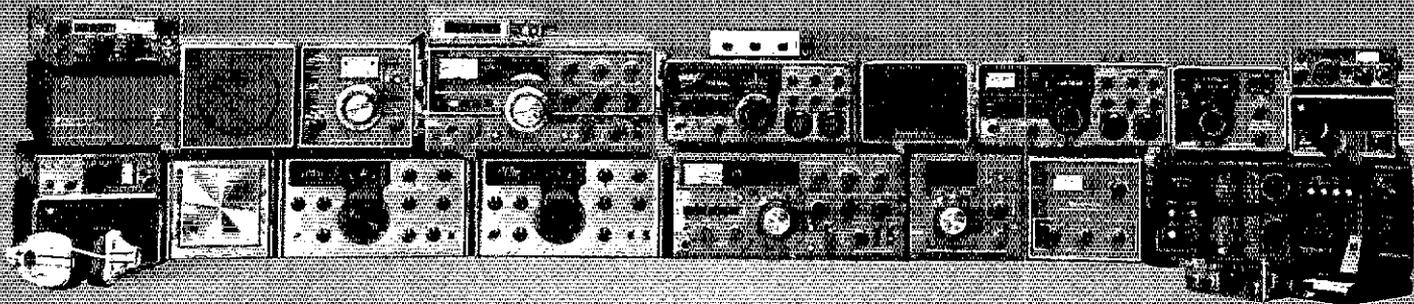


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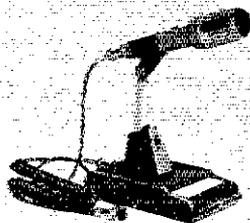
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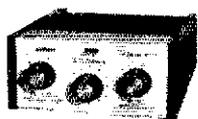


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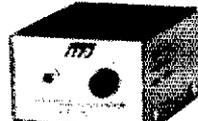
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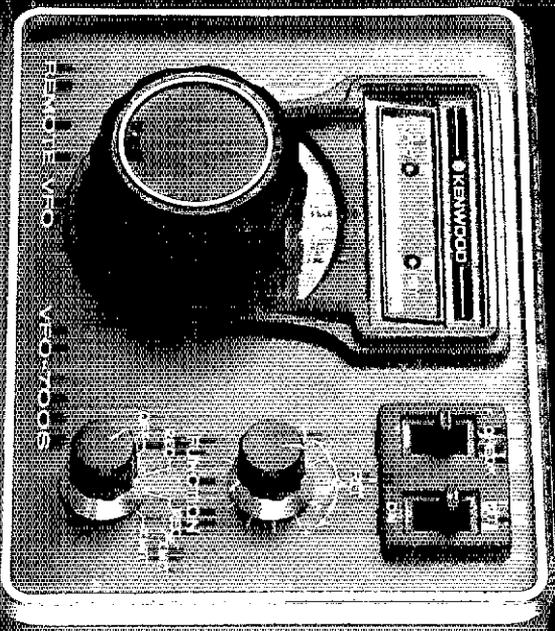
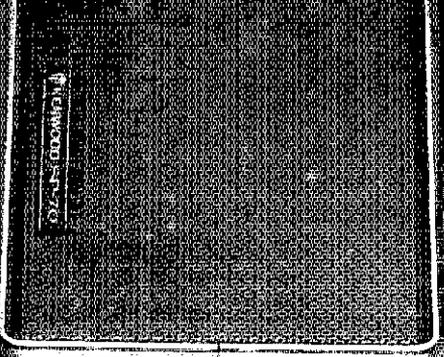
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