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MIDWEST DIVISION CONVENTION SCHEDULED

It appears that the AK club will be well represented at the forthcoming Midwest Division convention to be held in Des Moines on Oct. 16-17. Many of the club members have indicated that they will be in attendance.

To refresh your memory the convention will be sponsored by the Des Moines Radio Amateur Association and will convene at the Fort Des Moines Hotel at 9:00 A.M. on October 16.

Another note was given in the announcement which stated that reservation for Iowa and Missouri OM's should be mailed to The Rev. Duane U. Farris, ØEHH, 1210 63rd St., Des Moines 11, and registrations for Kansas or Nebraska hams to be mailed to Byron W. Mann, ØSEJ, 6510 School St., Des Moines 11, Iowa.

NOTE TO AK-SAR-BEN CLUB GREETERS--if you do not plan to attend the Midwest convention please make sure to give your "greeters" jacket to some member that is going to the convention.

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL IN DES MOINES

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NEBRASKA CALL BOOK SUPPLEMENTS MAILED

The editors of the "Nebraska Call Book" advise that the supplements which include up-to-date changes, have been mailed to all registered call book owners on September 23. If you haven't received your pages of this supplement be sure to drop a note to the club at P.O. Box 626.

E. F. JOHNSON COMPANY REP TO TALK FOR

AK-SAR-BEN CLUB MEET

The October club meeting will be high lighted by a talk presented by Thornton Lyford, ØQIK, representative of the Viking Amateur Division, of the E. F. Johnson Co., of Waseca, Minn.

Mr. Lyford confirmed that he would be present for the October 8 meeting and would bring a screen and projection equipment to round out his talk that is planned to cover pi networks, fixed and mobile antennas.

In order to properly handle and insure the additional crowd that is anticipated, your club exec committee has made arrangements to have this important meeting at the FONTENELLE HOTEL Hunt Room. The meeting will consist of a very, very short business meeting followed by the especially interesting Johnson rep's presentation.

In order that all hams in the area will have the opportunity to attend, we will mail this issue of "Ham Hum" to the entire mailing list, instead of our usual distribution.

REMEMBER--the next meeting will be held at the

FONTENELLE HOTEL -- HUNT ROOM

at

8:00 P.M. (sharp) Friday, October 8, 1954

WANT TO HEAR A FINE

TALK???

See U at Next Meet.

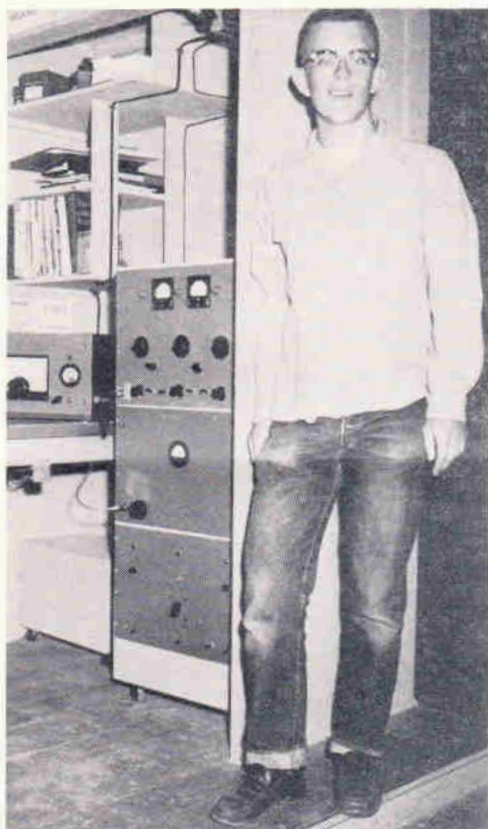
NEXT MEETING

October 8, 1954

Friday 8:00 P.M.

Video Page

Rev. Ray Strange, S.J., WØQHG
-- Operating His Home Station
At Creighton University



Jan Rampacek, WØQNC, With
His FB Home Built Rig and
VFO



Garry Greenwall's Station,
WØNRS -- Shirley, The XYL,
Shown At The Mike, Is Much
More Photogenic Than The OM

Traffic Handlers Attention

W0QBK/3 is looking for someone to sked with on or about 7240 MC. for any possible outlet to Junction City, Kansas and the Black Hills. He has many friends in the Black Hills and has a sister-in-law in Junction City. Look for him most any evening.

Ron W0CFM out in Culbertson wants to get in on some 2 meter operation around Omaha. Wants to run about 100 watts, a converter-HRO-60 receiver and a 5 element beam. So there you are 2 meter fans.

LOCAL PRACTICE SESSIONS

Good news for local phone men and all people studying code with an eye for becoming licensed. On or about October 25 there will be code practice sessions on 29,640 Kc. The speeds will be variable and cover from below four words to over twenty.

This is a supreme chance for all of you old phone men to pick some of the basic art.

For further information call Larry Donnelly, W0KCK, at PL 6358. Tentively the practice sessions will be held Monday and Thursday evenings.

OLD FRIENDS

Doc. Becker, W6AID, ex 0BBX sends greetings to all his old friends with a special to Herb W0QXR and Bob, W0HZE to get on the cotton pickin' ball and quit dragging their feet.

SCM'S INVITATION

All active amateurs are invited to send in operating and activity news to the SCM. He welcomes all group and individual info. It will make interesting reading to fellow hams.

OPEN INVITATION TO ALL HAMS

The ARC warmly welcomes Hams from the surrounding area to attend our October meeting at the Fontenelle Hotel.

The highlight of the meeting will of course be the program by the E. F. Johnson Co. The program will be educational and entertaining. Make this trip to Omaha, visit with us, take in the Johnson Co's. demonstration and make a big Hamfest of it. See you the second Friday of October, Hotel Fontenelle, Hunt Room at 8:00 P.M.

WORTHWHILE CAUSE

The Braille Technical Press, Inc., a non-profit corporation under NY state law publishes a monthly technical magazine covering radio, electronics, television and recording. This is the only magazine available in Braille covering this field. A campaign is now underway to raise funds to continue their support to aid blind in this respect. Tickets are now on sale, 10¢ each or 3 for 25¢. The award which will be drawn in December, 1954 will be a Magnetic Tape recorder. Marion Olson, W0MJK, 2730 Newport Street, Omaha, Nebr. has been designated to represent this organization in this locality. All contributions are deductible as a charitable donation, when computing your income tax.

ARC wishes to express its thanks and acknowledgement of receipt of the Tri-state Sparks, a publication of the Tri-State Amateur Radio Society of Evansville, Indiana. This publication appears to be very worthwhile, and some very useful data is contained therein. A copy will be on the bulletin board next meeting for those interested.

MOTTOS FOR THE DAY

If at first you don't succeed, forget it. I'm the most important person I know. Money is the best labor-saving device. If you feel your oats, switch to hay.

LARRY'S COLUMN

By WØNNN

A word to the wise is sufficient. Ref: CQ Magazine, Sept. 1954, See pages 13 to 15 -- Special attention is directed to item regarding dialing clicks. This is illegal and can result in heavy penalties. Need we say more? Much can be said about fone patches, but since this item makes reference only to the legal aspects, it is recommended that the above mentioned copy of CQ be referred to.

It is understood that one of our prominent members has signed a 2-year TV contract. He says the payments are very reasonable.

Stu says eatin' army food is like playing Russian Roulette. You don't know which meal is going to kill you.

Don't raise the bridge boys -- Just lower the river!

Never do things the hard way when there is an easier way to do it better.

Man the boats, port your helm, avast you landlubbers! We missed WØNNN at the September meeting. Larry and the XYL took a cruise on Lake Michigan and toured the central states. What, no mobile?

Newspapers recently announced the appointment of Herbert Hoover, Jr., as Undersecretary of State, and we recall that he is an active amateur of many years standing, with the calls of W6ZH and K6EV.

Wonders will never cease! The club just received a card from Bob Jenks, WØUTE, who is now stationed at Thule, Greenland with the U. S. Forces. Bob says that soon the Danish government may conduct tests and issue Danish licenses to all gibles. Get your supply of QSL cards and set for an even trade.

OUT OF TOWN NEWS

WØYSK sent in a nice picture of the SSB gang. Space doesn't permit the picture this time, but we'll get it in next issue.

Bob Falk, WØYCG reports that his mobile activity came to a sudden halt when his car, containing all his mobile equipment was destroyed by fire. Hope that you have a new charriot and rig soon Bob.

Elmer, WØPZB says FB on the video page. Guess the paper will continue this and as long as the pictures keep coming in. We will show the gangs and their rigs on the video page.

Al Wyland, out Hemingford, Nebr. way has a new wide spaced 10 meter beam. Hope the activity on 10 is picking up so we can all have the chance to use our 10 meter gear again. Al also reports that some time soon he is going to spend some time up in W7, and VE7 land.

WØWE, Ivan Cidlik, reports that he is now at Goodland, Kansas (Box 607). Ivan is on a job there but expects to be transferred back to Nebr. soon, possibly about the middle of Nov. Nebr. stations west of Grand Island come in there fb.

WØHAW, is now /6 at Upland, Calif. Duane is going to school there, but still interested in Nebr. activities.

CLUB MEMBER NEWS

Dean Barker, WØVOI says he is working on some hints & kinks. Wonder what the OM is dreaming up?

We have a wise guy in our midst! We mentioned in the August issue of ham that Frank, WØIOS had batter-y trouble during model airplane exercises. WØQMD writes, "Try Pillsbury, our batter never fails".

Tom Fifer, WØAQJ has a new B & W 5100 xmtr that works very fb.

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CLUB MEMBER NEWS (cont.)

One of our home town boys now resides at Albuquerque, New Mexico, WØJCK by call. John says he is in the land of the mobiles for sure now.

There is to be an auction by the CB&Q RR about Oct. 19. In this auction there are to be several FB sections of tubing which will telescope into each other and make a 40 foot mast. Our info says there will be enough tubing to make about 5 or 6 of these masts, and they will go very cheap. For more info contact Bob Stratbucker, WØHZE.

There are quite a few boys active in Council Bluffs, Iowa now, judging from all the equipment being purchased lately. We would certainly like to have the CB boys come over to our meetings.

A few of the boys were lucky enough to be able to go to the Midwest convention at Rapid City, South Dakota. It is reported the boys there put on a vy fb convention, and the hospitality was A-1.

WØQMD, Art (Pillsbury's fair haired? boy) has a new WRL 500 Globe King on the air. Operation is mostly of 40 now, but Art expects to have a few more antenna's up soon and operation will be on more bands.

WØJJK ran into a bit of QRM. Unfortunately it was rather solid QRM in the form of a coal truck that put a dent in the Rambler signal generator.

Tony Helbling, ØQMW, is sporting a new 40 Meter vertical thru the courtesy of Art, W3WJZ/Ø. Tony reports working a KH6 on 40 fone which is really something since Tony is only running about 35 watts input.

G-E HAM NEWS

Again we owe a bit of thanks to the GE Ham News staff. We see in their column, "Sweeping the Spectrum", there is a nice article about ØNPA and his XYL trying to escape the mobile dragnet set up at the church by members of the ARC.

The G-E Ham News, published about once a month contains a wealth of info on new and practical ham equipment. There are hints and kinks and many feature articles of prime importance to the progressive ham.

Copies of the news sheet may be procured from your local G-E dealer.

Volume 9, now at your dealers, contains an excellent article on a low noise 220 megacycle converter.

TWO METER ACTIVITY

Using the term "activity" loosely, I wish to note that there are several two stations in the Omaha area. There is a schedule set up every Tuesday evening at 7:00 P.M. between Tony, ØQOU, at Snyder, and Johnny, ØPHW, Omaha, on the low end of the band. Dick, ØUKQ, is on two in Omaha but in the midst of moving. WØAIY was heard from Pawnee City in Omaha. There will soon be some more activity in Lincoln. Frank, ØEMS, at Adair, Iowa is very active and can be worked almost any evening. Take a look around the low end of two.

CLUB TRAILERS

At the October meeting there will be more complete drawings of the proposed club trailers. At that time we hope to have a firm bid on the manufacturing cost. A complete list of the equipment will be available and a report from our local Civilian Defense will be ready if plans go as laid.