

HAM HUM

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SPECIAL NOTICE

"Ham Hum" the official organ of the Ak-Sar-Ben Radio Club is published monthly prior to each regular meeting. News items must be forwarded to the Editor, F.W.Cooper - 3332 North 57th Street on or before the 25th of each month for news to appear in the following issue. The paper is mailed to over 250 amateurs and other interested parties of amateur radio. After this issue only members of the Ak-Sar-Ben Radio Club will receive "Ham Hum" regularly. All others who might like to receive "Ham Hum" should contact Earl Olsen, WØJKE, President, who will see that your name is placed on our regular mailing list. While we would like to continue sending the paper to all interested parties besides club members the expense involved is too great unless you write us that you would like to continue to receive copies of our club paper. Only be sending us a card or letter can we know that our paper will be received by those who want it. Therefore, if you enjoy the paper and still want to receive same, even though you are not a club member, don't forget to drop Earl Olsen a line or call him on the phone as soon as possible. We would like everyone interested to receive our paper but we do not want to mail it aimlessly to hams who have either moved or are no longer active in amateur radio.

A LITTLE QSB

WØPZJ, Kenny Akins XYL is expecting a little spark in July. It appears that Kenny's antenna has had far reaching effects!!!!!!

Sorry to hear that WØGKL lost his beam in a recent storm.

WØBCA is now on the air with 15 watts on 10 meters using a Lysco 15 watter.

CONTEST WINNER

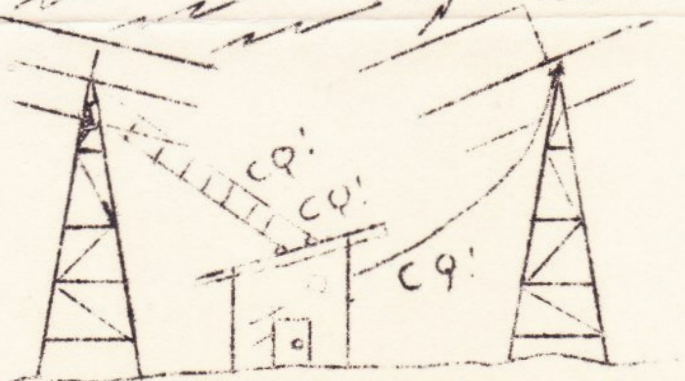
We are very happy and pleased to announce that "Ham Hum" submitted by Mary Richardson one of our pin up girls has been selected as the name for our newspaper. Congratulations, Mary, and I hope those nylon stockings, which you won as your prize for submitting the best name, fit those gams of yours very effectively. Thanks to all others who entered the contest. It was fun and we enjoyed your cooperation.

HAM HISTORY

At the February meeting the following Ex-Presidents were present:

John Leder,	WØUFD	1946
Art Gaeth,	WØFQB	1947
Herb Curry,	WØQXR	1948
Elmer Stein,	WØAVN	1949
Doc. Becker,	WØBBX	1950
Earl Olsen,	WØJKE	1951

BUY A BLOCK FOR
YOUR NEW SHACK



As you all know our next big project is the plans and proposals for the construction of an Ak-Sar-Ben Radio Club House. Our sincerest thanks to John Orr for building the bank to hold all of the green and silver stuff which go into a fund for our club house. Let's keep the pot boiling.

EDITORIAL

It appears that at the February club meeting considerable QRM in the form of dissention regarding several articles which appeared in the earlier issues of the paper was brought to the floor for discussion. We welcome such criticisms especially since most of the members have failed to respond to our requests for news items and we were forced to manufacture news items from facts which would bring sufficient interest to members to start a discussion, thereby creating more active interest in the club paper. Please do not forget that we who serve on the various committees and other functional duties to keep activities at a high pitch are constantly bombarded with a continuous succession of extra curricular work and must of necessity use our own judgement as to the plan of attack when little or no cooperation is forthcoming from other members of the club. We have begged and begged for news items and there has been little response up until this issue. We want to personally thank all those who contributed news for this issue because without this news there would have been no paper. As Editor of your paper, I do not feel that it would be fair if just 2 or 3 people continued to write all of the news items. After all we want to hear about all club members and not just those who are most active.

It appears that some of our "ribbing" was taken to heart by some sensitive individuals. How sorry we feel for you if you are unable to withstand a few "ribbings", which you usually are not reluctant to fire at others. At no time do we of this paper want anyone to feel that we are jeopardizing your social standards or personal character. It is our only desire to make a paper which is full of life, fun, frolic and not bore you with a lot of details which are uninteresting and simply copies of QST, CQ and other paid periodicals. This paper was planned and produced with one thought in mind -- to keep everyone informed of what is going on other than what we hear and find out at the regular club meetings. Now then, to those members and non-members who feel that they have been insulted or "raked over the coals" may we at this time extend our humble apologies for these humble souls and hope that their minds rest in peace hereafter.

But let's not forget that we shall keep a sharp ear pealed for any and all transmissions from these parties which might humiliate other club members and let it not be forgotten that the ears of this newspaper are constantly aware of such transmissions and so help us we will let you know about it. Let's be fair, friendly, and brotherly and if at any time there is anything printed in this paper which does not meet with the full approval of all club members we personally ask that you let us have your opinion and we will try by all the virtue and honesty invested in us to justify any printed article. However, please remember that we do have free speech and we intend to keep this freedom in the course and life of this paper. Come on fellows -- let down your long hair and let's get together and make this a "top-notch" paper.

GHOST EFFECTS
 AND WE DON'T MEAN TVI !!

It appears that several Sunday mornings Doc. Becker, WØBBX, was operating his gallon and out of no-where during the church ceremonies (there is a church immediatly behind Doc. Becker's home) out from the electric organ comes a familiar voice of Doc. Becker calling CQ, much to the embarrassment of the Reverend and the congregation. The supernatural really entered the church that morning so most of the congregation thought. Along these same lines one evening while the wife of a neighbor of WØIOS, Frank Cooper, was taking a bath she heard the voice of WØIOS coming out of her bath tub drain. She immediately jumped out of the tub and put on her robe thinking that WØIOS was in the room at the time. The moral of these stories, fellows, is be careful what you say at all times as you can never tell who might be listening.

CONGRATULATIONS

Frank Dyba, WØUSU and George Fox, WØAEN, have both recently received their Class A tickets.

WANTED

A code practice machine for future ham and son. Anyone interested call Chester Doll, 8012 State Street, Ralston, Nebr. Orchard 2582.

THE OTHER FELLOWS STATION

A few weeks ago we took a trip over to see Bill Ashly, WØUSB. Well, we thought we had seen commercial stations before, but Bill's takes the cake. Bill's transmitter, receiver, VFO, etc. are mounted in a desk type console which he constructed after a model in a QST of about a year ago. The panels are gray and the masonite console border is red. Bill's receiver is a BC-34BQ which he completely revamped. He has a regular size gray rack panel on the front it the old "Q" and the knobs are all of the latest type. Bill's rig at the present time is only a Meissner signal. The sky wire is the "off center fed" type strung between two 35' guded pipes. This antenna is used on all bands but Bill says he gets the best reports on 20 and 40 C.W. The station is in the basement in a nicely finished room which has the latest type of radiant heating. As well as a ham Bill is an Amateur Astronomer. He has a home-made 80 power telescope which he looks at the moon with. We found the "moon" to be something on the inside of a third floor window at County Hospital.

For months, WØBTE, has been using a S-38. Consequently he has never had any idea of the Frequency of the station he has been working. Now that he has the HF 10-20 he spends all day trying to get it on the nose.

Rich, WØIWI, has been trying to get his new rig on the air. He has taken all precautions against TVI, BCI, HI, RPI, etc. in his P.P. 100th rig. We understand that he narrowly missed a trip to "Ham Heaven" when he discovered 1000 v running up his arm. Take it easy, Rich Those angels might have AC-DC sets up there and that would be Hell.

Don Field, WØGJI, left last week for the Merchant Marine Academy at Kingsport Long Island. The whole gang will miss that mighty signal on 10 and 2 meters; but maybe they will be hearing WØGJI/2 soon.

Don's address is
C/M Don Field 4th Class
Room 6233 Ionos Hall
U.S. M. M. A.
Kingsport Long Island N.Y.

HAM TELEVISION

We are very fortunate to have an Amateur first in Omaha. There have been a few hams with Amateur TV on 420. Even tho the FCC does not allow it WØJKE and WØ Big Tough Elephant now have Amateur TV on ten meters. Congratulations Earl and Frank. Both were heard announcing that they were "looking over the band" for a call. The rest of the Hams in Omaha are still tuning the band.

NOTES FROM LEO

From Council Bluffs we hear that Leo Meyerson, WØGFQ, presented a speech and demonstration on amateur radio to approximately 75 people in the Reorganized Church of the Latter Day Saints in Council Bluffs, Iowa. He also presented the same program to the Council Bluffs Kiwanis Club.

We have heard that Guy Bailey, WØKJP, has a very sick wife and our sincerest wishes for a speedy recovery to Mrs. Bailey.

NEXT REGULAR

AK-SAR-BEN RADIO CLUB MEETING

WILL BE HELD

ON MAY 11, 1951

8:00 P. M.

HOTEL

" FONTEN' BELLEY "

B C N U THERE

A FEW CYCLES

Port Quinby's pet super filter Condensor on his KW?? Finally died of old age - Port may have trouble to find another 23MMF 2000 volt bath tub. At a recent hamfest out at Port's WOLLY Noel Harman met an ole timer - Jack Matern EX 9ASO - first time in 30 years that they QSO'D.

Will Doc Becker complete his ultra single dial KW. Doc must be planning a system like a dial telephone selector relays and all. Quite a deal if you can do it, Doc and we believe you can.

Why does our Emergency Coordinator JED run 20 DB over 9 with all his ant trouble. Forget it swamic You have FB sig in Omaha.

For Sale: Febr. 1950 CQ 24G P.P. XMTX less power supply 100 to 225 watts all bands

By NOEL HARMAN, W4LPK

NOW HERE THIS

FOR SALE 1939 Chevrolet. Good shape. One door and fender no dents. Fully equipped. Radio (receiving only) heater, tires and necking knob (never used). Guaranteed to go 45 mph in second on a grease rack. For a good deal see Just Fine Motors.

F D

That's not Fire Department that is Field Day, and another one is in the fire for the club. Again we will go out with transmitter and receiver and a mad fury for contacts. Our record of over 5000 points with 566 contacts put us in the favorable six place last year. And why not first place this year. The first step will be a survey of the location for proper placement of the tents and antennas. There will be board and room for all ops. Of course, we plan to eliminate the six legged creatures as was done last year. This year we again have plans for sending up a balloon as was done last year with exception of anchoring it to the ground with 300 feet of seventy five meter antenna. For further info and ideas see any of the committee Al Fleming YOE George Fox AEM, Frank Dyba USU or John Orr, PHW. They also have copies of F D rules. More potent scoop next issue.

BROTHER, HERE WE COME !

On February 13, W0NKG and his XYL left for a much needed vacation. The route as planned was Omaha--Wichita, south on 81 all the way to the Southern tip of Texas return trip via Topeka and Kansas City, but old man weather fouled up the return trip with closed roads, ice, and snow. So--they came back the way they went! The old 10 meter band was well populated all the way there and back. Both coasts came banging in at the same time while they were in Southern Texas. In Oklahoma City NKG pulled into a gas station and along came two cars full of hams and there on the spot was a hamfest ! Invitations to club meetings came a'flying. Mobile rigs give rise to mistaken identities! It seems that the Mexicans down thar in Texas have a deep respect (?) for the Texas Rangers and a ham mobile looks just like the Rangers. Other hi-lites of the trip were visits to Mexico, Falcon Dam, Lackland Field, and stealing grapefruit! It appears that one may swipe citrus fruits safely if you limit it to one bushel. So--they did--but again fouled by old man winter. The grapefruit was frozen! Oh well, it was a good trip and one to be recommended for the winter and NKG is now an ardent mobile fan ! TVI doesn't bother the mobiles!

HERE AND THERE

Lee Riggs, W4LW, got class A and is active on 75 meter phone. He can use a xtal around 3550-3575 kc. If anyone has one for sale. W0BTE has an HF 10-20 Frank has been using belongs to HR2JM. W0BCA has been heard on ten phone. Rodney only has a 6AG7 in the final. Listen for him on 28606 kc. Because of no good antenna he won't be too loud. George W4LFZ is building a new modulator. Plans to use a pair of 807s in Class B. His rig is starting to look pretty good now that he has a Rack. W0IOS can be heard on either Paxton or Fontenelle Boulevard every night on his way home from work. His mobile sounds fb.

"LUCKY"

Stan Davidson, W0UJL, gets our nomination for luckiest ham in this area. He has recently been rejected and given a 4F classification by the Army. Congratulations Stan.

QST! ----- QST!

HERE'S THE WAY TO FAST BECOMING A MEMBER OF AK-SAR-BEN RADIO CLUB

CQ CQ CQ de AK-SAR-BEN RADIO CLUB

The club is looking for new contacts and new members. We want to invite all non-members to visit us at our next meeting.

Since its conception our club has greatly widened its scope and services. Our membership today is able to support many new and interesting projects and provide interest to most all hams.

In the past the club has supported such projects as picnics, parties transmitter hunts, field days, equipment purchases, neckties, and lots of rag chewing.

Our ever increasing membership is demanding and deserves better activities. We will get them with the same cooperation we have shown in the past.

We can plan many new projects and activities for our club but they depend upon a large membership. Example: a ten member club could easily support a coffee pot but a one hundred member club could easily support a club house. Let's go out and get those new members and that shack. The more the merrier.

I am interested in the following subjects:

- CW
- Phone
- Mobile
- Field Day
- Antennas
- Club Paper
- Civil Defense
- Gadgets
- Receivers
- Club House
- Getting Licensed Women

I hereby make application for membership in the
AK-SAR-BEN RADIO CLUB
OF OMAHA.

affiliated with ARRL

AND ACCOMPANY THIS APPLICATION WITH A REMITTANCE OF
\$1.00 initiation fee plus \$ ____.

Applicant _____ Call _____

Address _____ ARRL Member _____

Name of any other club you have ever belonged to

Please check

Dues are 50¢ per month or \$5.00 a year

By John Orr,
Chairman Membership
Committee