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MEETING - MARCH 11

The next meeting of the Ak-Sar-Ben Radio Club will be held in the 4H Building - Ak-Sar-Ben Field at 8:00 P.M. March 11, 1960. The program is the talk by Royal Enders, KØLYO. His subject will be a discussion of self rectifying generators and transistor regulators. These are among the late developments and Royal is well qualified to talk about them. His work with United Motors brings him in contact with these products.

We have also planned a film for the entertainment of all. The title is not known at this time but it will be of general interest. We will enjoy the usual refreshments after the meeting.

FOR SALE.

Johnson Viking VFO. Excellent condition. Sell for \$28.00.

Dave, KØRWM
Gilead, Nebr.

LAST MONTH

Those attending last months pancake supper enjoyed some good cakes and the get-together with some of the members we have not seen for some time. Hope they come again this month. Total served - 100. Contributions to the Kitty equalled the cost. We had an enjoyable time and it cost nothing. That is, it only cost the time and effort of the committee who was glad to help. Did you like the idea? The drawing was finally held for the beam. It was won by KØQVL. Our thanks to those who donated to the club. In view of the large number of XYL's and Harmonics the technical talk was held over until the March meeting. The movies of the South Dakota trip were shown, and Jerry, WØNKG told of the experiences. Looks like the next one is in the making. A trip to North Dakota. Who wants to go?

Mr. John Droescher
Chairman, TVI Committee and
TVI Committee Members
4405 North 53rd Street
Omaha 4, Nebraska

Dear Friends:

It would give me a great deal of pleasure to be able to personally thank each committee and each member for the job that is being done throughout the country in our mutual endeavor to reduce television interference. But, because of the widespread distribution of committees, the Engineers in Charge of the Field Engineering and Monitoring Bureau will continue to be your closest contacts with the commission in this program. I do have the satisfaction, however, in writing to individual committees on occasions when my field staff brings noteworthy accomplishments to my attention.

After reading the enclosed pamphlet distributed by the Washington, D.C. TVI Committee, it occurred to me that you would also like to read it. It may offer suggestions for similar means of creating a closer coordination between your committee and local TV dealers and technicians so that all may work harmoniously in our TVIC program. I am asking my field staff to forward this letter and the WTVIC pamphlet to you.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you for your past interest and wish you all a very happy and prosperous 1960, and may our TVI problems continue to decrease in the new year through your good efforts.

Sincerely,
Geo. S. Turner, Chief, Field
Engineering and Monitoring
Bureau

Dear Sir:

There is enclosed a letter from Mr. George S. Turner, Chief, Field Engineering and Monitoring Bureau of the FCC, together with a pamphlet concerning TVI issued by the Washington, D.C. TVI Committee.

This office appreciates the work you and members of your committee are doing to solve the TVI problems in your area, and it shows that the amateurs can and do perform a worthwhile public service.

If you have TVI problems that you have been unable to resolve do not hesitate to call this office for assistance, and an engineer from this office will work with you when possible to do so on special or regular trips to your area.

Your continued cooperation in the coming year will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,
H. W. Bourell
Engineer in Charge

WINKLER APPOINTMENT

George Winkler, KØQYM has accepted an appointment to the Nebraska State Industry Advisory Committee. This committee is charged with the responsibility for developing within-state emergency communications under stress of war, natural disaster or other state or local emergencies.

FUND DRIVES

The drive for funds for the Heart Fund was assisted by the six meter gang. From a transmitter in their headquarters at 42nd and Harney and a ground plane fourteen mobiles were contacted throughout the city. Not as many pick-ups were made as in some drives so we were through early. The next one is usually much heavier and we will need all the mobiles we can get out. It is the Miracle Mile on Sunday, April 3, starting at one o'clock. We will pick up individual contributions missed by the regular collectors and will pick up the contributions left at the various collection points. In addition to the mobile operators we can use your help as a rider or at the NCS.

Wanted...A pair of 110 Volt 60 cycle selsyns. Please call Bob Burt, 8109 Grant St. Phone Te-4949.

***** KØDBU

S-LINE TO HUGH

Hugh Tinley, KØGHK is the proud owner of a set of S-Line equipment. For the benefit of those who do not know Hugh he has done a great service to Amateur Radio and the club. Hugh is our official speaker at meetings and gatherings of a variety of organizations. He tells them of the beginnings of the hobby, the service we perform and the fun we have. He carries with him a tape recorder with tape from actual contacts and a communicator on six meters. Your Ed. has been on the receiving end of the on the air demonstration most of the time with the help of many other stations who happen to be there at the right time. Some of these have been an arrangement and some because they were handy. Our thanks to you whichever it was. Hugh will tell of the interesting things he has encountered at a meeting soon.

TWO WAY SSB

150 Countries Confirmed
Not bad for a newcomer???
Most of the above in last two years on SSB.

WPCVU

Chas. W. Boegel, Jr.

PS: This is my 47th year on the air and going stronger every year on ham radio!!!

Dear Editor:

George Fox, WØAEM is now back on the air, this time on 2 meters, with his new Johnson 6N2 and 10 element cam.

A new station from Columbus also heard on 2 meters, WØPUM and another station not yet heard here.

South of Omaha, Orville, KØBWV in Nebraska City is also now on 2 meters with a good signal into Omaha.

Also from Crescent, Iowa is Ted, KØRRM, who is on with a 522 xmtr.

The activities of the 2 meter Civil Defense Net have been temporarily suspended for all practical purposes due to lack of interest. We hope this situation may be remedied in the near future. The 6 meter CD Net is continuing and meets at 9 P.M. Monday nights on 50.466.

The VHF Air Force MARS Nets are both doing very well and we hope too, that this interest continues. Anyone interested in the 6 meter net contact Royal Enders, KØLYO, and for the 2 meter net contact Harold Peterson, KØIJS.

73,

John Snyder, WØWRT

Car sickness strikes almost every motorist about the time his monthly payment falls due.

SAFETY

(de the Modulator)

Is your station safe? Unsafe conditions often arise in amateur operations. At the beginning of the New Year is an excellent time to make a check of your station from the safety standpoint. A number of things are of paramount importance. Below is a list of a few of these conditions.

1. All chassis and cabinets must be a ground potential.

2. The key (all of it) should be at ground potential or a very low current potential above ground.

3. All high voltage power supplier should have a bleeder across then at all times.

4. All chassis should have no high voltage potentials above the chassis that can be casually contacted. A cabinet is best. This is especially important when there are children in the home.

5. The high voltage power supplier should be operated through a lock-switch.

6. Haywire is a continual source of danger. This danger is both to the operator and to the rig.

SWITCH TO SAFETY AND LIVE - DEATH IS SO VERY PERMANENT.

A space suit is what you have after a few months of dieting.

DX NEWS

The month of February has been a real hot one for DX, with the DX Contest and all the good conditions.

Lee, NNW, has knocked off DU6MJ, FK8AU and a VU2 on fifteen meters. His neighbor fat Jerry got HK0AI, eight Russians and several stations in Japan.

Mac, YVV, got a new country that he has been looking for for three years, a ZS8. Also Mac and NKG tried to work a HV and FF8, and a UAØ in the contest but no luck.

SVØWT arrived at NKG's QTH via the QSL Bureau, with that card Jerry has all the SVØs Greece, Crete and Rhodes worked and the cards safely put away.

I might mention that it has come to my attention that a local ham had about half of his country's cards come up missing. He thinks his loveable son might of got into the drawer and put them in the waste basket. So it might be wise to put the cards in a scrap book like yours truly and tuck it away so tiny hands can't get at it. Orville, GKL also has an old diary which he puts notes in for future reference and countries heard he needs with the time and frequency. That way it is all together when needed.

Anyone interested in going on an expedition to North Dakota

please contact John, Mac, or Jerry. I hear several of the old gang are going.

KØKWB has been getting some very good ones being on vacation with the XYL in the hospital. Louis home and getting along fine now.

John Orr has a tri band vertical up, and also a beam mounted, but no feed line on the beam. John and Evelyn are expecting the first addition to the family very soon. Just think, John, of all the contacts that you can miss when you get up in the wee hours of the A.M. to warm that bottle because of no feed line.

Yours truly got a card from WA6JBB, Jim Noland, and he says he is working 28670 KC. now with a KW SSB and looking for the boys around.

Roy Foster, W7CIC is home and getting along fine after surgery. He has worked Mac mobile every day two or three times a day for a week on Mac's western part of the state excursion.

Frank Cooper is having a little trouble getting the VOX controlled in his new S line. He is also working Ferris on 20 meters 14270 at 7:30 P.M. Ferris has quacked so long and hard that the duck got stuck in the coax relay and caused such a mess that he had to get a new one. Same old duck.

Remember that we have

another weekend of the DX contest for phone and CW coming up in March. Keep the receivers sharpened up, panic button polished up, and the ice off the antenna for another wild weekend.

**OFFICIAL BULLETIN NR 740
FROM ARRL HEADQUARTERS
WEST HARTFORD, CONN.
FEB. 15, 1960 TO ALL RADIO
AMATEURS BT**

VHF enthusiasts will be interested in the following two notes. Single operator stations claiming over 15,000 points in the VHF Sweepstakes of January 9 and 10 are W3KKN, W3TYX, W3HYT, K2TYW, W1RJA, W2BLV, W3HXY, W1GEF, W3TDF, W3CL, W2EIF, K2ITP, K9KLU, W2PAU, W4LIP, W8NRM, W2BV, and K2HOD. Multiple operator stations claiming over 15,000 points are W2ADE, W1MHL/1, W2REB, K2AA, and W6VHF. Other high claimed scores will appear in April QST. Further VHF activity of interest concerns the operation of KG1FN from Fletchers Ice Island. Test transmissions were made for the first time February 11 on 50.04 Mc. KG1FN will be on regularly at least two months. Full details in March QST AR

ARRL OES: Please pass this info to the v.h.f. gang.--FEH

ATTENDANCE PRIZE - TWO

Due to not drawing out a name last month there will be two names drawn at the March meeting. This is beginning to be big money so don't stay home. The usual rules apply. You must be there with dues paid up to date.

**OFFICIAL BULLETIN 742
FROM ARRL HEADQUARTERS
WEST HARTFORD, CONN.
FEB 26, 1960 TO ALL RADIO
AMATEURS BT**

Amateurs are reminded that two weed ends still remain in the ARRL International DX Competition, the phone contest to be held March 4 through 6, and the c.w. contest to be completed March 18 through 20. Amateurs are further reminded to practice caution in their operating so as not to incur FCC citation and disqualification from the contest. Official Observers are out in full force to self police the amateur service. Contest logs are still available free on request from ARRL. Full details on page 49 January QST AR

"You sure look worried." "Man, I've got so many troubles that if anything happens to me today, it'll be at least two weeks before I can worry about it."

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NEXT MEETING

AK-SAR-BEN 4-H BUILDING

AK-SAR-BEN FIELD

MARCH 11, 1960

8:00 P. M. SHARP