

# HAM HUM

AK-SAR-BEN  
RADIO CLUB

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## DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

WØBDR of Marshalltown, Iowa attended our August club meeting. Russ gave us a demonstration on the use of a Braille typewriter. Words fail us in trying to describe the speed and ease in which Russ copied high speed messages and read them back letter perfect.

However, seeing is believing and as Confucius says, one picture is worth 10,000 words. Stu, ØMGC, introduced Russ and drew a fine word picture of Russ's background and home QTH operating facilities in Marshalltown. Russ and his XYZ have just returned from an extended trip on the West Coast.

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## TIME CONVERSION CHARTS AVAILABLE

A supply of time conversion charts were brought to the last meeting by WØNMIN but do to the small attendance at the summer meeting, we still have a supply on hand. For those who were not able to attend the last meeting, Larry says be sure to get your free chart at the September meeting. It's just the thing for logging those DX QSO's. There's probably just enough to go around so get there early.

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## ATOMIC!!!

What with Atom and Hydrogen bombs, a man isn't safe any more. At the recent Air Force exhibition, here in the Omaha City Auditorium, a 1st jet engines, turbos, guided missiles, and other new weapons the Air Force unleashed a new secret weapon. At the recruitment booth we found Ruby Snellgross, 5WSG, displaying her charms---since then the Force is now overstaffed!

## SPECIAL OCTOBER MEETING NOTICE

A REMINDER THAT OUR OCTOBER MEETING WILL BE ONE WORTH YOUR TIME. PLAN TO ATTEND AND SEE THE WONDERFUL DEMONSTRATION PUT ON BY ONE OF E. F. JOHNSON'S TOP ENGINEERS! IN ADDITION TO THEIR DEMONSTRATION AN INTERESTING TOUR OF JOHNSON'S PLANT BY FILM WILL BE PRESENTED.

FULL DETAILS AND DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN OCTOBER ISSUE OF HAM-HUM. WATCH FOR THIS ANNOUNCEMENT AND PLAN TO ATTEND.

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## WANTED BY HAM-HUM EDITOR

Our Video Page is suffering from lack of photos! We need and want pictures of you, your station and your activities. Send all photos to Box 626 and we will print them as received. We want to continue this feature for your enjoyment so lets hear from you all.

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Florence Fire Barn  
is located at  
7500 N. 30th St.

### NEXT MEETING

September 10

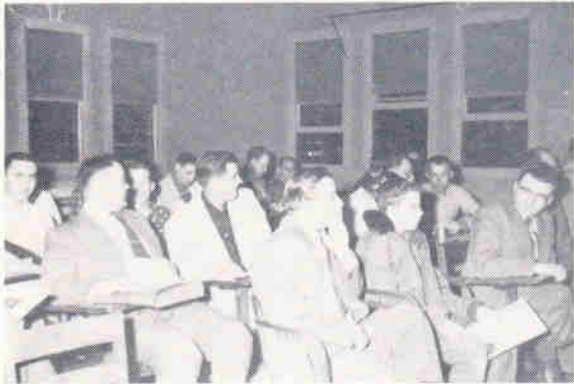
Friday 8:00 P.M.

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# Video Page

## CANDID SHOTS



## Editors Apology

Because of vacations, holidays and lack of personnel this issue of Ham Hum is going to press at a very, very late hour. In fact we are printing it on Sunday afternoon, September 5, and we couldn't get the postage due cards from Post Office. So your mail including want ads may be missing in this issue because of our failure to get to the post office prior to the week end holiday. Please accept our apologies and keep up the mail--we'll have a big, big issue for October.

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## HAM HUM PRODUCTION

Have you ever wondered what it costs to produce Ham Hum? We won't go into financial details, but we can say that it requires in excess of 24 man-hours to open mail, edit, compile and prepare drafts, retype, set-up plates, print, sort and prepare into book form. In addition, addressing, attaching page and mailing is required. The staff, comprised of, approximately five men does all except pay the printer and we are continually thankful to Dick Eilers for handling printing. Special thanks to one member who arranges for the staff to use the facilities of Westinghouse Electric and to Father Ray Strange, WØQHG, who, for a long time, has been handling the necessary final work of addressing, postage, etc.

General and sundray expenses are handled by your club treasurer, WØNPA. It's about time to add some new blood to the staff so any one and everyone are invited to help with editing, writing and publishing. You can at least join the staff by simply writing a card to the editor--in fact the card is enclosed with this issue. Let's hear from you!!!

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BARGAIN OF A LIFE TIME-- Elmac A54H, with 40 meters (factory installed) transmitter. D: mic mike input. Only \$100.00 QSO  
WØLWV--Fay Powell

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## QRM!

by Lawrence F. Caccaomo WØNMN  
QTH's

Attention is invited to a few errors in the roster listing members's addresses in Aug. issue of Ham Hum. Compiling this data is a difficult and tedious task. The staff is doing a fine job and is to be commended rather than condemned. Please mail in the post card indicating necessary corrections. Thank You.

## " NORSEMEN "

Hastings has gone crazy with Vikings!  
WØPDJ and WØOMH both have Viking II trans. that really put good solid signals into Omaha.

## " Safety is always in season "

Father Strange, WØQHG took a long needed vacation in August. We missed his presence at the August meeting.

We missed the three members of the Lipari tribe at our last meeting. Jim, Chuck, Bernard and the XYL were vacationing in California.

Why do people who fear death, flirt with it so often?

WØMKP is operating out of doors these days. Runs about 17 watts on the front porch. The transmitter is a McMurdo Silver 807 final with an improved osc. using 6AG7. Gets out real good, FB job.

Larry Meyerson, Jr. op. of Leo, WØGFQ; has a ticket now and the call is WØWOX. Larry was practicing on the sly and didn't let his dad know about it. When Larry showed the ticket to Leo, he was certainly surprised.(cont. P4)

## GRAND ISLAND CLUB PICNIC

The ARC did not make too good a showing at the picnic, August 15th, however it was a long trip. Nevertheless there were several ARC members there. (WØJjk, WØNPA, WØQMD, WØNMN and associated XYL's and jr. op's. It was a nice picnic and WØNMN sold 3 Nebr. call books (FB).

## MEET MR. AK-SAR-BEN RADIO CLUB

A surprise member of our club will represent Mr. AK-SAR-BEN Radio Club at the September meeting. The fifth member who shakes the hand of Mr. ARC will receive a prize of a new Call Book. Join in the hand shaking contest and meet Mr. ARC and the rest of the membership. The identity of Mr. ARC will remain secret until the meeting formally begins. Shake hands and meet your old friends, meet your new friends.

## AT THE NEXT MEETING

One of the most common tools found in the ham shack is very often the most misunderstood and usually misused. As a result the average ham gear, home made, looks home made. This tool will be explained and demonstrated. The proper method of maintenance will be vividly explained. The proper use of this tool will give you the professional touch. The right matching of this tool to the job will produce the "pro" look and operation. Cabling and parts placement will be investigated and discussed, along with the lowly soldering iron.

## WØNMN (cont.)

We wish to remind you that the 1954 season is coming to an end. Very few recommendations have been received for the special, "Most helpful ARC member award." A few nominations have been received. If you know of any ham who is a member of the ARC, and has contributed to the betterment of ham radio, put your recommendations in black and white and send them in.

WØISV has one of the new Johnson Whipload 6 antenna loading coils of the car, and reports that it works FB. First call on 40 fone mobile netted a call from a W2 in N.Y. who reported Fay had the frequency to himself.

## COMPETITION

Leo, ØGFQ, has a little competition in the Bluffs. Just made a contact on 20 Meters the other nite with ØUII/M who driving from Council Bluffs to Omaha enroute to his nightly chores at a local pub where he plays the Organ. Hope UII joins us as the entertainment chairman.

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WNØSPD, Clarkson, Nebr., reports he's on 2 with a Harvey Wells and a VHF-152.

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## FLY-BOY SCOTT WØGNM

We hear through the medium of our tin ears that Bob has a new wingless ship called by name a Cessna...Now we know why Bob is always up in the air. We have been wondering for quite a while why GNM flies through all discussions with one flap low.. Now Bob lets come down to earth and join in the fun and do your flying right-side up...eh what?

## HELP WANTED EXPERIENCE NOT NECESSARY

In the process of designing our new club trailers we find that we are in need of more information on the manufacture of trailers. We are planning and drawing the new units for manufacture. During the process we have learned much about the process and industry. Any one acquainted with the manufacture of trailers and associated equipment please drop us a line or make yourself known at the meetings.