



HAM HUM

AK-SAR-BEN
RADIO CLUB

WØEQU

P. O. Box 626

Omaha, Nebraska

HAMFEST AT GRAND ISLAND

A highly successful gab fest and dinner was held at Grand Island's Palmer Hotel on December 29. A group of six, chauffeured by QXR, represented the Ak-Sar-Ben Radio Club. YMU supplied a BC 654, PE 103 and battery which made a very nice impromptu installation for mobile. Ignition noise made operation while in motion almost impossible on the jaunt. QHG, JKE, NMN and PHW completed the group.

Much to our pleasure twenty seven sat at the tables for dinner that evening. Midwest Nebraska was well represented. The following fellows were in attendance: AUH, VPR, CC and XYL, HSO and XYL, IDO and XYL, HXH and XYL, DJJ, DW and XYL, DYU and XYL, WNØEGQ, YHN, YUF, ASE, LEF and XYL.

During the afternoon our gang from Omaha visited WØCC. Gus is the president of the Grand Island Amateur Radio Society. As a matter of note there's about 27 hams in Grand Island.

After a very nice trip we are looking forward for more of the same. We invite the fellows out state to visit our meetings at any time.

HAM HUM PRICE TO INCREASE

To date our cost has been quite low and we believe we are enjoying a profit. From time to time we have mentioned the fact that to receive Ham Hum you must only express the desire and the paper will be yours. We are now requesting of all non-members a post card or club newspaper each month in return for our paper. Otherwise we must assume that they are no longer interested or just don't care for the paper.

AK-SAR-BEN RADIO CLUB ELECTS 1952 OFFICERS

President	Frank S. Cooper	WØIOS
Vice-Pres.	John W. Orr	WØPHW
Secretary	Raymond J. Strange S. J.	WØQHG
Treasurer	Rolland A. Fried	WØYMU

The Executive Committee members will be announced in the February issue of Ham Hum.

POT LUCK DINNER

It was a little late to write a review of the party in our December issue so we will make a short one for this issue.

On December 1st sixty-five Omaha and Council Bluffs Hams and XYL's and YL's gathered at the Miller Park pavillion each bringing a pot of food. It was quite astounding to see the great variety of foods and everyone left the dining room full to the ears. After the dinner a few games were played and Mac WØUPY did a bang up job of teaching square dancing. Typical remarks by the XYL's were, "This part of Ham radio I can see". Anyone missing utensils should contact WØJKE.

NEXT MEETING

January 11, 1952

Friday 8:00 P.M.

Fontenelle Hotel

LOOKING BACK

They say it is never too late to mend your ways, so looking back over 1951 possibly we could see where our sights should be set for 1952.

The year was fairly routine until March at which time our Treasurer "Doc" Fry moved to Indiana. At the April meeting Doctor Becker was elected as the new Treasurer. Field Day preparations filled a good deal of the spring meetings under chairmanship of John Orr. A new location was chosen, antenna difficulties ironed out and the serving of meals organized. The result on June 23-24 were not bad—419 contacts for a claimed score of 3996 points in the three transmitter class. This was the wettest and the coldest Field day in years.

At the April Board meeting plans were made and discussed for a club house. This was brought before the club at the next club meeting and enthusiastically received. A capacious "concrete" block was produced at each subsequent meeting to catch any loose nge floating about. Several members brought gear from time to time to be auctioned off for the benefit of the building fund. At the end of the year the building fund stood at \$72.42.

Mention should be made of the interest and activity that our new news paper stirred up. Frank Cooper was the original editor. The amount of interest in club activities it has stirred up both with members and non-members is incalculable.

Two picnics at Hummel Park were sponsored by the Club during the summer. The unseasonably cold and damp weather this summer caused them to be not well attended, but those that came reported "a good time was had by all". A 10 meter transmitter hunt in October happened to fall on a cold Sunday and was not too successful, though reported satisfactory by the chairman Al McMillan. A pre-holiday Pot Luck Supper was held at Miller Park pavillion. The party was declared the biggest social success of the year.

A 10 meter net, meeting on 29,640 MC at 8:30 P.M. Fridays, was started as the out growth of a Civilian Defense Test run held Sunday, June 17. During September the Club received an important communication from the FCC in Washington, this was the Club's station license W0EQU. Earle Olson is station trustee. During the month of July the Club

SUMMARY OF THE MEETING OF DEC. 14, 1951

Attention was called to the fact that three members had perfect attendance at the meetings of this past year, they are UFD, JKE and EHF. Gaeth announced that the amateurs of Omaha had been asked to help in the forth coming polio drive by furnishing mobile units for the use in the fund collecting. Furthering details will be had at the next meeting.

The election of the new officers was the first order of business. Motion by Cooper, seconded by Fried, that the election be put off until the next meeting when more would be present. Only twenty two were present on account of the storm. Discussion showed that according to the constitution at least ten members are necessary for conducting of business. The motion was voted down. The election resulted in the following officers for 1952:

Pres. Cooper W0IOS Vice Pres. Orr W0PHW
Sec. Strange W0QHG Treas. Fried W0YMU

The next point of business was the awarding of the annual prizes. A Simpson multimeter was won by Nelson W0MKP. Foster won the Drake soldering iron, Armstrong the long nose pliers and Prell the box of candy. Two prizes donated by Alco Radio were also given away, the Antenna Handbook to Francis Donnelly KCK's XYL and a call book to McMillan.

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Ed. note. The reporting of the minutes of meetings in this sheet should keep those posted who were unable to attend.

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acquired breathing space in the Post Office with Box No. 626.

The deaths of two outstanding radio amateurs were recorded, Milan Kinsey W0EKK and Porter Quinby W0AY. Suitable expressions of sympathy were tendered their widows in the name of the Club. Mrs. Kinsey later made an offer to the Club of Kinsey's radio equipment, including a KW transmitter. This offer was gratefully accepted and the gear transferred to Olson's home, pending suitable disposition.

Fifteen new members were received during the year and their names added to the roster carried in the Club paper. The latest roster shows 68 active members. When all is said and done the Club advanced and experienced a very prosperous year. We had fun didn't we?

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE PRESIDENT AND OTHER RAMBLINGS

SHORT FLASHES

At the December meeting our annual election was held inspite of the severe winter weather.

We of the Ham Hum staff are quite well pleased with the members choice of president. Our new president Frank Cooper is a very capable leader as he has demonstrated many times. Frank also is a very busy man. We must realize that Frank as President, fills that capacity as leader of a democratic club to fulfill our wishes. Our job, as members, is to let Frank know our wishes and our ideas. Only that way can Frank fill his job. It's our Club. Lets get behind Frank and push the club activities.

My personal experience is that working on a committee entails no work when we all get together and do the job. We only get out of the club's activities what we put into them. For example: getting out the Club's news sheet can supply no end of fun to the co-editors. And it gives the privilege of making "nasty" remarks about the rest of the members. HI

The editors of this sheet are working on a bill to be presented to the club amending the constitution. This amendment would give editorial immunity to the editors similar to that our congressional representatives enjoy in congress. This immunity would of course cover such activities as law suits and physical violence. Such things as antenna chopping, QRMing, and stooling to the TV neighbors.

We suppose that due to the activities this time of year, such as erecting that new beam which Santa sent and shoveling the walks, ham radio has dropped out. Anyway there wasn't much news in the PO box.

The government has set up a priority rating for Hams. It is interesting to note that they set a limit of \$100 per year (\$200 if you belong to a military organization or civilian defense) for the Ham to spend, thats just less than \$4.00 a week on radio parts (repaid). How many fellows spend that much?

We might consider some new color for new neck ties next meeting. This should kill a hours.

BBX (Soon to be W6AID) is on 10 and 75 from San Jose, Calif. using 6DAE's rig most of the time--IOS has moved in and is settled down at his new QTH--QXR is trying to figure out if JKE, PHW, YMU, NMN and QHG are going to give him any credit for the G.I. jaunt--PXJ is installing phones for Ma Bell--GJI was home over the Christmas Holidays and is anticipating some sea duty in the spring--JJK is keeping QHK company while Bud is home on leave--NNW was heard back on 10 meters working short skip the other night--PHW is busy ducking snowballs and ice--YMU got the longest ride going to G. I. seems the last seat in the station wagon travels further than the other seats--

OUT OF TOWN NEWS

Valparaiso, Ind.

W9QHW

Dear Friends:

My appreciation in receiving such a fine paper as "Ham-Hum", could not be stated on a small postcard. A hardy congratulations, should be extended to those who have performed a magnificent job, in a very worthy undertaking.

I thoroughly enjoy reading every article, and feel as though I am still associated with my friends--the members of the Ak-Sar-Ben Radio Club.

Although I am several hundred miles from Omaha and it will probably be impossible for me to attend any meetings, I still desire to be a member of the club. Therefore you will receive my yearly membership in the next few days. I am in hopes this may set a trend.

73

James "Doc" Fry

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From Al Keyes,

I have enjoyed receiving and reading "Ham Hum". Since I am retiring as Acting Director Midwest Division this month. You may desire to delete my name and add that of our new Director Schmidt of Wichita.

Al Keyes WØKTQ

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Mt. Vernon, Ia.

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AK-SAR-BEN MEMBERS TO BECOME DX

Capt. Robert Bender WØTKM is to leave for DL land around January 1st---hope Bob was able to see the new year in on this side of the Atlantic. Another Bob, S/Sgt. Bob Cox WØBUD, recently married and now living at 1815 Wirt St. is bound for England shortly after the first of the year, I say ol' boy pop around to the next meeting and have a spot of tea with us before you leave.

FOR SALE

FREQUENCY meter, complete, home made. In 12X12X10 inch metal case.

0 - 30 Kc. in four scales on meter.

\$12.50 WØPHY Pl 5732

WØVOI WRITES

Hello Editor:

Just received "Ham Hum" and thought I had better fill in my card right away. I really like the heading on the paper---Not much news here at WØVOI. My code class is doing very well for having only met 3 nights so far. I just wonder if I learned CW as quick as some of these younger fellows are. Realigned my Super-Pro and hearing signals much better on 20 now---Will see you all at the meeting.

731 Dean W. Barker

WØAPK

Denver, Colo.

Dear Gang:

Thx for beautifully edited copy of Ham Hum. Please advise subscription costs since I don't believe an out of townner should receive this gratis. How about a question and answer column many of us could certainly use experienced advise. WØIXL Bob Budlong, Scottsbluff has a FB $\frac{1}{2}$ KW regularly heard on Nebr. nets. Recently visited Bob and greatly enjoyed the Budlong hospitality. He has new Clapp VFO home bilt that seems to be as stable as a crystal. I am trying to compete with Doc Becker having just completed crazy system of full break in cw keying using xmmitting ant for receiving and 19 tubes for controls that short receiver, ant relay to xmtr, turn on vfo in advance of exciter and turn on power supplies when key is tapped along with adjustable time delay. When key is up receiver is unshorted vfo turns off

Financial Report 1951

Cash on Hand January 1, 1951		\$172.84
Receipts		300.31
Expenditures		317.22
Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1951		155.93
Building Fund		<u>72.42</u>
Total Club funds Dec. 31, 1951		\$228.35
Receipts	<u>Total</u>	<u>Mon. Avg</u>
Membership Dues	\$247.60	\$ 20.63
Raffle	45.20	3.77
Auctions	6.96	.58
Club Stamps	.55	---
Misc.	1.00	---
	300.31	24.78
Expenditures		
Refreshments	72.42	6.04
Secy.-Tres.*	54.94	4.58
Rent **	70.00	5.00
Membership Comm.	12.85	1.07
Silent Keys	15.00	1.25
Field Day	27.38	2.28
Prizes	47.98	4.00
Party	16.65	1.39
	317.22	26.44

* Includes cost of Newspaper

** Includes \$10.00 to put Hotel rent on even yearly basis.

YEARLY RAFFLE RESULTS

The free drawing was held at the Dec. meeting and Ed Nelson WØMKP is now measuring the volts, ohms and amps flowing around his shack with a new Simpson 260 VOM. NKG took home the long nosed pliers. VIG will cut any wire with the side cutters he was awarded. LRD had several soldering irons at home so he auctioned it off and donated the money to the building fund. Thx Roy.

and ant relay goes to receive. Its a beastie to get going but fellas sure sweet to just hit the key for all controls. Write me if you want the dope.

Noel Harman

The following is printed here for your information. Should you have any comments send them in on the enclosed card--or bring them to the next meeting.

ORDINANCE NO. 114

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING UNNECESSARY RADIO AND TELEVISIONS RECEPTION INTERFERENCE, DECLARING THE SAME TO BE A NUISANCE, PROVIDING FOR ABATEMENT AND PRESCRIBING PENALTY.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Onawa, Iowa;

Section One. It shall be unlawful for any person to use, operate or maintain any motor, machine, machinery, short-wave transmitter, electrical appliance, or other mechanical or electrical device or equipment of any nature or description, which shall be the direct cause of appreciable radio or television interference within the City of Onawa, Iowa.

Section Two. Any such radio or television reception interference is hereby declared to be a nuisance and may be abated as such by the City Council in the manner provided by law.

Section Three. The City Council, to abate such nuisance, shall cause written notice to be served upon the person committing or maintaining said nuisance, directing such person to abate said nuisance within a reasonable time. If such nuisance is not abated within the time specified, the City Council may abate the same by refusing to furnish electrical energy to the offender if said nuisance is caused by electrical energy or the use thereof; and if such nuisance is caused by other means then it may abate the nuisance in whatever manner is necessary and reasonable. All costs and expenses in connection with the abatement of a nuisance as herein provided, shall be levied against the person responsible therefor.

Section Four. Any person who violates, disobeys or refuses to comply with the provisions of this Ordinance, or who resists any officers of the City in carrying out the provision hereof, shall upon conviction pay a fine not exceeding One Hundred and no/100 Dollars (\$100.00) or be imprisoned for a term not exceeding (30) days.

Section Five. All ordinances or part thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section Six. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its publication as provided by law.

Duly passed and approved this 4th day of December, 1951.

(S) Earl A. Vir Den, Mayor, Attest:
(S) M. D. Mock, City Clerk

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