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AK-SAR-BEN
RADIO CLUB

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THE QSL's ARE HERE

Our club QSL cards were delivered this past month. The cards will soon be in the mail in conformation of our FD contacts.

The cards are blue on white with a silver club shield, printed on high gloss cards. Operating data occupies the wall side of the card. On the lower left corner of the card is the club name and address. The card was designed by Earle Olson WØJKE. The card design was Earle's entry in the recent card contest held by the club. The club log not being available at this writing, we wonder who was the first station to work WØEQU? Let us know and we will get your card out to you. Better yet, contact us and you will receive your card at the next meeting.

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FD PROOF

As the saying goes "What fools these mortals be", any way Dick Reimund has the proof in some mighty fine photographs which were taken during the past event. In spite of the lack of sunlight and a strong wind the pictures show clearly the faces of several well known 'hams' in their native haunts.

The pictures will be available for all to see at the next club meeting.

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This is the story of Pete McGrab, Who found a hot lead and made a grab. The story's short and rather sad, For Pete now sleeps on a marble slab.

Grand Island Picnic

The Grand Island Club is planning a picnic for August 17 just north of the Veterans Hospital in Grand Island. Amateurs generally in this area, and especially members of the AK-SAR-BEN radio club are invited. Bring a lunch, coffee and pop will be supplied. WØ HSO will be operating portable to contact visitors using mobile.

Gus Lynch, WØCC, (75 fone, 75&40 CW) is General chairman, and is planning some activities over and above the usual chin festing. It will be appreciated if those who plan to come will drop Gus a card or tell him on the air that you may be counted.

Knowing what a swell time the boys from Grand Island can show us, we will be more than happy to make all the arrangements and reservations for all the fellows from our club. A motorcade will leave from Omaha at 7:30, expecting to arrive at Grand Island around noon. If you plan to enter the aforementioned motorcade, call me, Jerry Armstrong at PL-3762, and for the small fee of a mint julep or a short beer we will take care of everything. Just raid your local ulcer gulch and grab the XY1 and plan on a day of jovial fun. Be sure to get the pertinent data in as soon as possible so that we can relay the dope to the grand bunch at Grand Island.-----

NEXT MEETING

August 8, 1952

Friday 8:00 P.M.

Fontenelle Hotel

FROM HERE AND THERE

Flash--Mig Becker, CSN, will be leaving the city by Aug. and will be residing in San Jose where "Doc" has now established his practice.

Without going into great detail, we of the Ak-Sar-Ben Radio Club will really miss Mig and all that she has done for us. Her home has been a second club house for the gang and she has always given her utmost to further the cause of Amateur Radio.

So we will take this space to wish you Bon Voyage, the Best of Luck, 73's and don't forget to drop us a line.

Roy Foster, LRD, has built an all band portable job, $6\frac{1}{2}$ X 8 inches for use in a suitcase when he goes traveling.

How about bringing the rig to the September meeting, Roy.

Jerry Armstrong, NKG, is going all band mobile wid a home brew xmitter.

Dick Reimund, MI3RR, passed his General Class exam. on July 17 and now is just waiting the postman so he can flip on the big switch.

Marilyn Deal of 5417 No. 16 is another YL who passed her Novice examination on July 17, Congrats, hope to see you at the club meeting.

Allan Demorest worked into Omaha twice on Sunday July 13 from K2USA on 20 meter phone.

FMV, Marshall Parker, late of Omaha, can be heard on 7168 from Clinton, Ia.

Al McMillan, JJK, was all hepped up on radio controlled model planes but after seeing some of the best crack up at Benson Park is changing his mind and will go in for radio controlled boats.

Johnny Orr, PHW, has been trying his h... at RTTY but hit a snag in JJK's car. A... brings his car over every night for repairs so Johnny's RTTY is by the way-side. Rumor has it they plan to install a motor in the Smash next week.

NOW THIS IS THE SCOOP

Special congratulations are in order for Roy Rydberg of 4506 Poppleton upon his successful passing of the Novice exam after just one week of extensive study.

Roy is quite physically handicapped and was examined by the Radio Inspector at his home. He is now the proud owner of a new HQ-129-X and is going to get a Bandmaster for an Xmitter.

Hams are always welcome at 4506 Poppleton, so how about dropping in to say hello to Roy when you are in the neighborhood.

Jo Connell, LHZ, is now using the new world wide phonetics which in his case is Lima Hotel Zulu.

Anyone interested in the others??????

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome John Huntoon, W1LVQ, who is ARRL Assistant Secretary to our September 12 meeting. We make this note now to get the word around in time. He will attend the Dakota Division Convention in Minneapolis.

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We wish to note also that some thought is being given to a 1953 Nebraska Hamfest. We would appreciate your comments. Pass the word around and lets get all Nebraska together and talk over our mutual problems. We might mention a few of these problems as emergency communications and the problem of getting our call letters on our license plates of our cars etc.

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There is tentively planned a mid-west conference with William J. Schmidt, W0OZN, Director, Midwest Division, ARRL, similar to the one held in K.C. to be held in Omaha some time in September. Two delegates will be chosen from our club. All others we believe are invited.

OF TOWN NEWS

Don Fields, GJI, reports doing time at the Alameda Maritime Training School while waiting for his new ship, The S.S. Empire State to arrive-----

Vic Nelson, CCY; Ried Neilson, BBZ and Orin Miller; SEE attended the Iowa 75 Meter Net picnic at Oskalusa, Iowa.-----

Sixty five Hams were present for a good turn out. ØYDN, who was located at the picnic site welcomed the boys in on 3970kc while they were enroute.

Orin, SEE, won a mobile Master Mount antenna in the prize drawings, so we should be hearing Orin on mobile in the near future.

The boys are looking forward to the Nebr. Net picnic at Wayne, Nebr. in the near future.-----

Orin Miller, SEE, finally got his new 20 meter beam up (two folded dipoles fed 135 degrees out of phase) and reports very excellent results with it. Up to 40 db front to back and has got 15 over 9 in Brazil, and 10 over from KA.-----

UQJ is going to a new QTH up in the high hills of Council Bluffs.-----

Falls City Ham Club (Nebr.) reports new Officers as follows:

President: John F. McCarty JUJ
Veep: - - Harvey H. Hinz APH
Sec. & Tres. Art Chesley BQR

Congrat fellows es hpe to hear more abt ur activities from Falls City. --

Noel Harman, APK of Denver reports working like mad trying to get his two half gallon rigs on the air. He sends a good hint in finding out that some of the surplus variable silver plated ceramic condensers are not what they should be and may be the cause of drift in the ECO, as it was in his case.

Noel has mentioned the snow fall in Denver on July 6 (Eds note; "Gasp Gasp") He has had excellent results with a resistance terminated folded dipole for DX but it seems to be inferior to horizontal center fed dipole for short range work.

Glen Byers, BNF, reports most active Kearney hams in the area are CSE, FOW, FJU, KLB and BNF.

FJU and BNF are spending more time operating mobile than fixed, using cowl mounted, base loaded, 8 ft whips which are working out well on 10 and 20, and satisfactorily on 75.-----

OFFICIAL BULLETIN FROM ARRL HEADQUARTERS
WEST HARTFORD CONN. JULY 17, 1952
TO ALL RADIO AMATEURS BT.

U.S. amateurs desiring to operate in Canada and Canadian amateurs desiring to operate in the U.S. on visits may now secure authorization to do so. U.S. amateurs secure, fill out and file forms through Radio Division, Department of Transport, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. Canadian amateurs secure, fill out, and file forms thru Federal Communications Commission, Washington 25, D.C. Appropriate authorization will then be issued by the respective government agencies and should be shown to customs authorities at the border AR.

FOR SALE

RECEIVER SX-42
SPEAKER R-42

Like new - best offer.

Don Mehl
8311 Webster St.
WA 1791

HAVE the following items for sale:
Used Elincor 3 element ten meter beam complete with tee match, \$8.00
Eldice brute force AC line filter for TVI, cost \$12.00 yours for \$4.00
Call WØJCK, OR 1089

DESERTED

It is our sad duty to report that some unappreciative individual deserted a noble friend of man, a large and sturdy rain coat. This coat has proven it's worth in time of great stress, as witnessed by Ed Gutmann and Dick Reimund who sought shelter in it's voluminous folds while operating under the only leak in the 80 meter tent. This worthy item of apparel may be claimed at the club meeting upon presentation of adequate identification. If not claimed, said coat will be embalmed, and last rites held at the city dump at Midnight, August 32nd.

THE CRYSTAL BALL

At this time of the year our club is starting to regain its composure after a summer of varied activities. Ham radio comes into its own on those cold winter nights but we have many activities which, after the urgent business of the summer has been transacted, will be of interest to most everyone.

The most urgent topic before the club, a topic which is close to the roots of the club. Recently we have been cussing and discussing the possibilities of moving the club's meeting place. The main thought seems to be a place where we can call our own. A location where we can set up and operate a transmitter and keep other objects belonging to the club. But we must consider many things which affect the proposed location. Heat must be available in the winter and access should be with a minimum of effort. The latter might construe a centrally located meeting spot. We hope all of the members will keep the subject in mind and let us know of their findings.

We can look forward to an enjoyable time at our next meeting. Dick Reimund will give us his impressions of 'The Other Side of DX'. Dick worked as MI3RR for 28 months. Asmara, Eritria is north of Ethopia by the Red Sea. Recently Dick took the exam. for a W call and is biting his nails waiting for the mail man. Films will complete the evenings entertainment.

September will be "Pet Project Month". All of those beloved projects which are on the fire or finished will be displayed. Bring your gear, new or old, to the September meeting. A picnic is planned for October which will be auction month.

In contacting the local police, it was noted that they are interested in our operation and realize our services to our community. Further information is pending.

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Anyone spotting AFZ's car coming down the street better run, not walk, to the nearest bomb shelter. George is giving his YL driving lessons.

LOCAL TID BITS

Wonder what Frank Dyba's, USU, new project is? How about 'fessing up Frank and let us in on it.

Dick Eilers bought a new tape recorder the other day. We suspected that it was to help his boys learn the code--- maybe it will backfire?

Bob Ferguson, PXJ, is the owner of a new Gonset Mobile rig and it is really working out swell.

Mig Becker, CSN, received her official MARS call AFØCSN but sorry to say she will not be using it in WØ land.

"Rosie" Rosenquist, EHF, supposedly stripped his car down for repairs and painting but it seems he snuck in a few extra gadgets and now claims a motor that is hotter than an off resonant KW tank coil.

Orv Weimer, GKL, put the third element back on his beam but says the two elements worked out better----maybe we are all going about this beam business in the wrong way, and should be working out better with less and less elements.

Herb Curry, QXR, our avid 2 meter representative, worked seven stations last month, among them was EMS of Adair, UOP at Des Moines and GUD at Conway.

Herb Williams, ZZG, finally moved away from 160 to 20 and promptly proceeded to work a local. Great going, Herb.

Chuck Walbridge, Johnny Paluka, and Joe (last name ?) all of WRL passed their respective exams the other day. Even one of the office girls is studying for the exam. It must be catching over there.

BUW, Bud Van Horn, figured he would be a big fly-boy when they transferred him to Enid, Okla. but instead it was just for more boot training. The irony of it all, another 6 mos. as a ground pounder.