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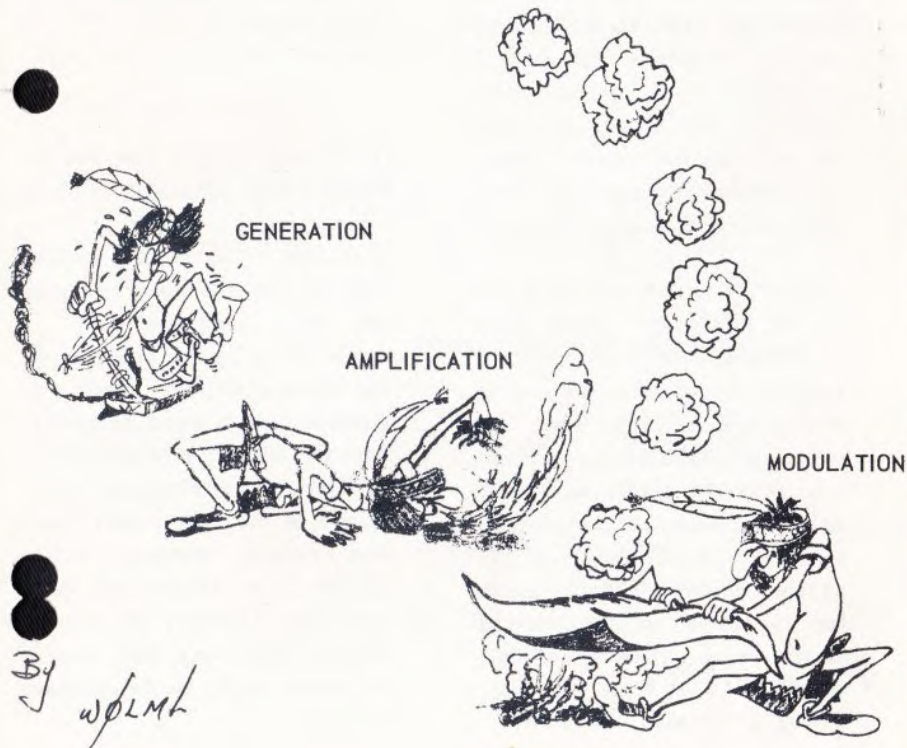
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NEXT MEETING FONTENELLE HOTEL FRIDAY - 8:00 PM NOVEMBER 11th (SHORT BUSINESS SESSION LONG GAB FEST)
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ONE YEAR OLDER!

Congrats to D. Bellew, WØBFY, Cedar Rapids, who celebrated his birthday at the Convention. Friend Leo Meyerson played the proverbial ditty "Happy Birthday To You" on the organ and the throng joined in. OM - ØBFY has been 29 years old for the past 15 years. Friend of Jack Benny?

OFFICIAL BULLETIN NR517 FROM ARRL HEADQUARTERS

A recent FCC action dealing with single side band emission has been misinterpreted by some amateurs as applying to the amateur service. The Commission has issued proposals with the objective of eventually limiting radio-telephone operations in the commercial fixed and mobile services below 25,000 kc to single side band emission. Contrary to rumor, this action does not, repeat does not, apply to the amateur service.

THANK YOU

All Our Convention Guests:

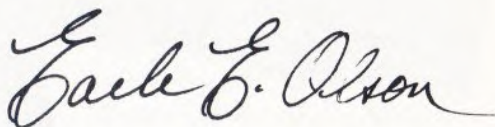
Each of you that attended the Midwest Division ARRL Convention in Omaha on October 22nd and 23rd is extended our sincere thanks for your wholehearted support and cooperation.

Almost 600 men and women registered for this event. Some of you had a long stand waiting to be registered. Some were mighty hungry awaiting your turn in that long food line on Saturday night. But regardless of these rough spots, you made this Convention what we consider to be the finest in the Midwest Division history.

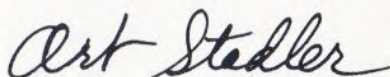
Your cooperation was outstanding; your patience commendable.

The Ak-Sar-Ben Radio Club - 120 members strong - extend their sincere thanks and we do hope you enjoyed your visit.

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Earle Olson, Convention Chairman



Art Stadler, President



SIDE BAND FOR TRAFFIC?

The following letter from WØCZ, Lee Chamberlin, Des Moines... "Had hoped to make the Convention and get your reaction on a matter of establishing a side band net in the morning for the primary purpose of handling traffic and other matters that might be of general interest to members of adjoining states. Now I have gone so far as to get a positive statement from Washington F.C.C. that side band is permissible anywhere that A-3 transmission is allowed and also, that the question of segregation to some portion of band has been brought up and dismissed on grounds that it would be a discrimination against one group and that no such action is contemplated at any time in the future.

"The writer has also taken the matter up with the National Emergency Co-ordinator, Mr. George Hart, WINJM, who will be one of your speakers during the Convention -- who finds something wrong with my request for the establishing of a single side band net for the purpose of handling traffic and anything of general interest to side band

operators in the states bordering on Iowa on a frequency of 3970KCS during the morning hours -- in my question to time, it was agreed that such operation would cease prior to the opening of the Iowa 75 meter net which convenes at 12:30.

"If the writer were present to make the question complete would suggest 0900 as the time.

"Now for those of you who have been around as long as the writer and had an opportunity to observe changes due to progress you know that something has to happen and the question arises whether there are enough around who are willing to participate in a new movement that could well develop into something similar to the T.C.P.N. at night.

"If you find it agreeable to present this to members present I should be pleased to know reaction and how received.

73 - Thanks & Good Luck
Lee - WØCZ"

ED: What's your opinion?

Lincoln, Nebraska
October 25, 1955

Dear Members of Ak-Sar-Ben Radio Club:

We had such a wonderful time at the ARRL Convention.

We want to say thank you. We feel you did a mighty fine

job and we enjoyed it all 100%. This was our first con-

vention and we hope there will be many more.

Sincerely,
Erlene Cook, KNØBRT and
OM Harold Cook, WØKNT



At left side across the table is Dorothy Hicks, KØBEZ. Clockwise are Erlene Cook, KNØBRT, Margie Noble, WØQZF, Marguerite Bourell, WØSAT, Marge Church, WØUDU, Frances Propst, WØLHP, Marion Olson, WØNJK, Norma Gray, WØSZH, Janice Robidoux, WØQXA, Janet Robidoux, WØQXF, Eunice Nordenfoss, WØIXR, Jessie M. Gorst, WØNUY.

Carl H. Dick, W0SBY
Carrolton
Scout

Luke Kunkel, W0RHJ
Norfolk, Nebr.
Tower

Marjorie H. Church, W0UDU
Des Moines, Iowa
D-104 Mike with push to talk stand.

Jack Ritter
Kellogg, Iowa
Tube



Ray Fetzer
Topeka, Kansas
Beam

H. C. Hawkins
Bellevue, Nebr.
Tube

G. David OHP
Lincoln, Nebr.
Gonset Line

A. Uogt, 0GBH
Plymouth, Nebr.
Tube

R. E. Macy GDE
Vermillion, S. D.
Q Multiplier

E. Pecenka, OPQ
Jesup, Iowa
Heath-Kit VFO

Hugh Byal, AIX
Mingo, Iowa
Signal Sentry

Max McKinney, W0YVV, Ticket No. 326,
won first prize, the Globe King & VFO.

J. Cardell 0DNA
Lincoln, Nebr
100-KC

PRIZE WINNERS

R. Curtis, RVI
Albert City, Iowa
4 x 250 B

C. L. Rockholz, UOP
Des Moines, Iowa
Vibroplex

Ralph Evans, KN0BNH
Oakgrove, Mo.
Power Supply - 12 volt vibr.

Mrs. F. Carrington, JXJ
Kansas City, Missouri
4 x 250 B

John Beyreis, KXX
Lawnee City
60 Meter

G. E. Chandler, WN0WEG
(Emmett Murphy)
2 Meter Beam

L. Rees, UUH
Lincoln, Kansas
A. R. R. L.

Carl E. Swanson, ZNI
Waverly, Nebr.
Match Box

F. Powell, ISU
Omaha, Nebr.
100 KC Standard



OFFICIAL BULLETIN NR516 FROM ARRL HEADQUARTERS

You are cordially invited to take part in the 22nd ARRL sweepstakes November 12, 13, 19 and 20. Awards will be given in each ARRL section to the leading phone and CW entrants. Certificates will also be awarded to the highest scoring Novice or Technician in each section where three or more submit logs. Contest rules follow those for 1954 and will appear in November QST. Special sweepstakes reporting forms are available upon request.

If you missed the melodious modulation of WØIOS it is only because his KW final couldn't stand the pressure of the DX on 10 meters. So, instead of getting out - it went out. The same evening Frank's Ranger gave up the ghost too. If it had happened on Halloween we could understand that mystic swirl of smoke that still has Frank bewitched.

The RI had his tables loaded at the Convention. It appeared that 75 would-be "generals" were crowding the doors at 9:00 A.M. Thanks to Dick Curzon for his able assistance to the RI.



40 DB OVER 9

Congrats to our good friend Wendell, WØOOX, of Royal, Nebraska. Wendell took the pre-registration prize - a National NC-300 receiver. Wendell came to the Convention with his neighbor Ray, WØHTA, of Orchard, Nebraska. The boys say they left the XYL's at home so there would be more room to haul back the loot. They weren't kidding. Ray also won a prize - an oscillator kit. Just what he needed - it says here.

Have you listened to 10 and 15 lately? When you hear com-
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plaints of QRM on 10 and you can be assured that the band is getting back to the "old days." Heard IOS in QSO with a PAO and JJK mobile talking to a VE3! The sunspot cycle is definitely on the upswing.

PREVIEW - December Meeting

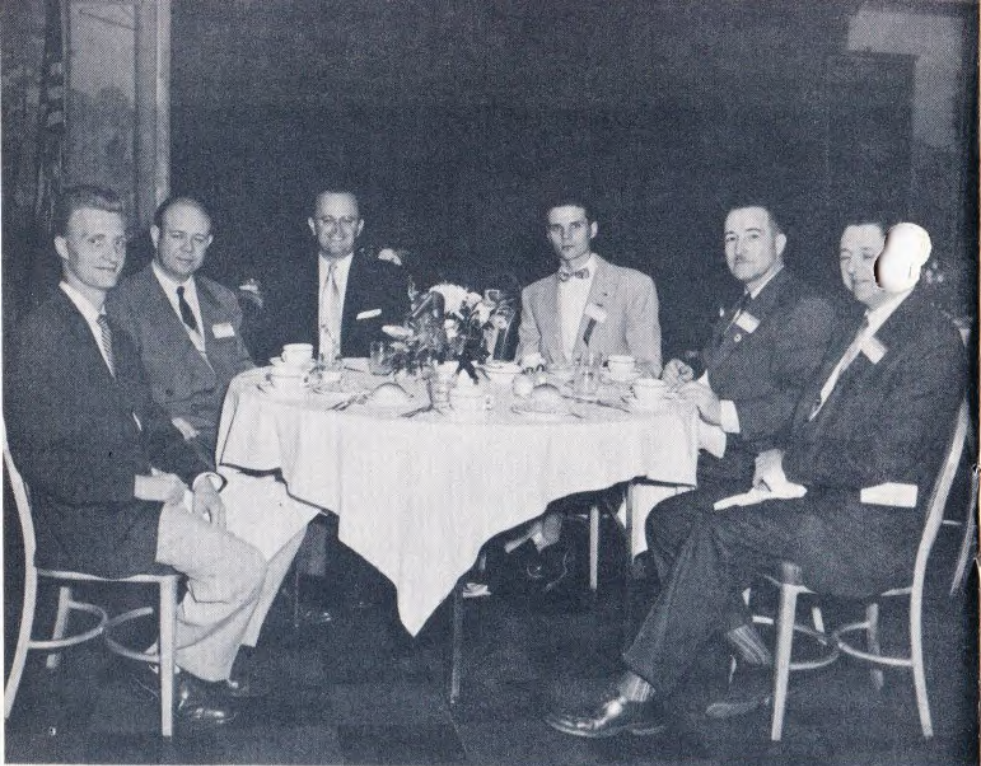
The December meeting will be another big prize giving fiesta with over \$100.00 in prizes. All Ak-Sar-Ben Radio Club members, whose dues are paid up, are eligible.

Pay up, boys!



At the speakers table, reading from left to right: Art Stadler, QMD, Mrs. Stadler, George Hart, WXNJM, "Bud" Budlong, WIBUD, Earle E. Olson, JKE, Marion

Olson, MJK, Father Strange S. J., QHG, Bill Schmidt, OZN, Mrs. Schmidt, Mrs. Eilers, Dick Eilers, YZV.



CONVENTION SPEAKERS

Our special thanks to the fellows serving on the registration desk for the full day Saturday. Their service was outstanding as they not only handled about 580 reservations but were there to answer all types of questions and stuck to it right up to the social hour. They are Erv Darge, MHB, Bob Downing, NAG, Dick Nystrom, UKE, Dick Curzon, AIS, Curt Hicks, AMM, Ed Gutman, CQX, Lee Beckley, SRR.

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GOOD?

Must be! They came from far and near for this Convention. Perusing the roster of attendance, we find W6UPH, San Fernando, California, and two, namely W. Brack and D. J. Merten of Mineola, New York. A special handshake to these two since they hold no amateur tickets but did show interest in our Convention. Incidentally, all call areas excepting W3 were represented.



CONVENTION SPEAKERS

NO MORE PINK TICKETS

Fay, WØISV, won a transistorized 100 kc frequency standard. From now on its "bandedge" for Fay.

A THOUSAND PARDONS

The Convention Program listed J. Fifer as Vice President of the ARC - should have read Dick Eilers, Vice President.

AUCTION - November Meeting

An auction will be held at the November meeting with all proceeds going to prizes for our Christmas party. Bring your extra gear and donate it on November 11th for this worthy cause.

Don't forget your cash boys, somebody has got to buy the stuff.

Dear Sirs:

Does anybody know about Globe Scouts and BFO's, Heath Kits or other? I just got my general about a week ago. The rig is a Globe Scout 65, and NC-88 and a Windom for an antenna. We have worked 30 some states with 29 confirmed, DX WH6, VP7 and VE3. I am very active on 15 meters. A 15 meter folded ditole is all ready to go up.

(signed) Bruce Peck, KØAKU (Age 14 -)

Dear OM:

Just thought I would let you know of my new location: 4924 Evans. I just got back from the ranch where I was earning money for things for the shack. I just built up a new Johnson VFO, Heath Kit grid dip and impedance meter. Also got a new bug and Turner 80X mike. I'd like to invite everybody out to the new QTH. Plenty of room to sit around and rag chew. Antennas and shack will be done in a couple of months.

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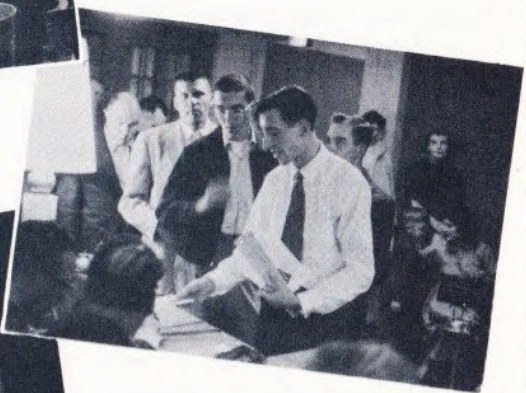
Rollie Johnsen, WØSPQ

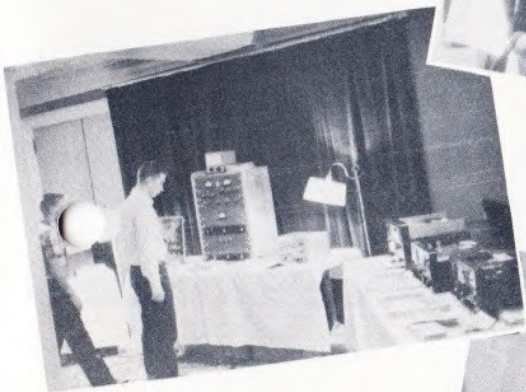
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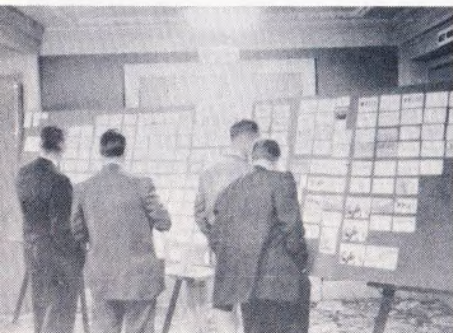
I would like to hear from anyone interested in going on 6 meter PH/CW. I am at present building a crystal-controlled converter and a 100 watt rig.

My home QTH is in Omaha but my address during the school year is Richard Nolan, Room 5120, Selleck Quadrangle, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Thank you and 73.







**SEE THE SECRETARY WHEN
RENEWING OR SUBSCRIBING
TO QST OR CQ.**

The contributions received from non-members during the past month to cover Ham-Hum postage were certainly welcome. Thanks, guys, we appreciate your help.

Call-Letter License Plates Bring Us a New Responsibility **DRIVE CAREFULLY!**

Hams long have been known for the fine job they do in policing their own ranks. Recent comments from OO's, for example, indicate that their friendly warnings to brother hams are received in good grace and with fervent thanks in nearly every case.

Now we note comments in two widely separated local ham club bulletins which indicate some organized self-policing may be in order in a new field—among those fortunate enough to be granted auto license plates bearing their call letters.

The license plate program has met with considerable success throughout the nation—and has given us a great boost in publicity. In many cases we are thus put on a level with doctors and other public servants.

However, as we attain this stature we also have to remember that it behooves us to live up to our new standing—by added care and courtesy on the road. Need more be said than to comment that every traffic ticket a ham with call-letter license plates gets is a black eye for ham radio? And suppose through our carelessness it should be something worse than just a "ticket"? Suppose it's a broken, twisted body of a child on the highway? We see such pictures in the newspaper once in a while. And I fervently hope I never see one which includes a "murder car" bearing ham call-letter license plates.

You think this is a painful and unpleasant subject? Sure is. But not half as painful and unpleasant as the real thing. We bring it up in the hopes that a few thoughts now, beforehand, may prevent the real thing from ever happening.

—Lighthouse Larry

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