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IOS REPORTS ON THE "BIG" CONVENTION

We arrived in San Francisco the afternoon of July 6, 1956

After motoring from Omaha, arriving at the Hotel Whitcomb we attempted to obtain a room but, of course, there was not a soul in sight representing the convention. This was a point of disturbance throughout the entire convention as never could you find a member of the club putting the convention on to ask any questions.

We were kicked around the hotel for about two hours before being informed that no reservations were even being considered. How lucky we were! We found out later through some of our good friends that the rooms at that hotel were nothing but "rat holes."

We finally went to a beautiful brand new motel which had just opened and obtained a gorgeous suite of rooms and just two blocks from the convention center.

We met our good friend Mr. Ferris WØYZK and his wife and proceeded to go and register. Upon reaching the registration desk, we were politely informed, after waiting in line for one hour, that they were going out to lunch and we would have to come back later in the after-

noon. Again disorganization was prevalent.

Already being disgusted, the Kramers and ourselves decided to go sight-seeing and movie taking, which we did.

We finally managed later in the afternoon to register and was given a program which outlined a pretty decent schedule.

We hunted around for some activity but unfortunately nothing was available other than the usual gab-fest. In other words, if you didn't entertain yourself there wasn't anything available or supplied by the convention.

At this time I want to relate a little incident. While in Salt Lake City our car was parked in front of the Mormon Temple. Upon returning from this Temple I noticed a QSL Card on my windshield. Who could it be other than my old shadow WØØW, Dave Adolowich and Company. This is really funny because I have bumped into Dave all the way from New York to California many times in my travels.

The next morning we examined the convention program and sorry to inform there was little or no activity planned.

I met Mr. Budlong coming from the Civic Center and he informed me that when he arrived for the ARRL Meeting, there wasn't a soul in sight from the club to handle this affair.

It appears that all of the Frisco gang were embarrassed over the lousy showing put on and took off for points East; it would have been better if they had gone to points West and drowned themselves after the disgraceful showing of a national convention.

Confusion reigned throughout the three days of the convention and repetition is unnecessary.

Enough said when they fed us like cattle in a big auditorium through a catering service where the waiters highly insulted all of the guests, were belligerent, 30% of the people were not fed, we were practically roasted to death in the stagnant air, together with the pungent odor of the most horrible excuse for turkey dinner I have ever seen served anywhere at \$9.50 per plate.

The food was cold and I still can't find my turkey. We waited two hours for a glass of water and a cup of coffee.

However, I must admit that the speakers platform contained

about 400 seats where for the first time during the banquet all of the Frisco gang showed up to get their meal first.

The banquet was a complete flop and even their own people criticized and complained bitterly during the entire affair.

My hat goes off in complimentary exaltation to the Prize Chairman for a job well done. The main prize was a Collins KWSI followed by many many wonderful large prizes. \$7,000 in all worth of prizes were given away and to this end I say congratulations for a job well done.

One criticism must be made in that it took well over five hours to give the prizes away due to the very poor manner in which the drawings were held. Some would be Master of Ceremonies was trying to be funny and he was a total flop. When are our conventioners going to smarten up and go through the prizes quickly to eliminate the long drawn out affair.

In order to make an evening complete, Mr. Leo Myerson and his XYL and son invited us out for a fancy dinner at the fabulous Yamato Sukiyaki Restaurant. Present were Leo and Helen, Ferris and Betts, Andy and wife, Lotis and I, Larry and Maj, coupled with the Geisha

Girls, we had a marvelous evening and I might add without this evening the convention would have been a flop for us.

Thanks Leo for making this one item outstanding for our memories!

Along the same line I might add that Leo's booth was, as always, the center of attraction in the display hall.

I might enlighten you a little more at the next club meeting but I feel that the ARRL is totally at fault for not having an individual sent out to each national convention to oversee, direct, and otherwise control the planning of a national affair.

Conventions such as the ones put on in Huston and now topped off by the one at Frisco have soured me completely and have soured many other hams who attended this morbid, ill-planned and ill-fed excuse for what could have been a fabulous entertaining convention.

In closing I might add that our Division Convention in Omaha and the one held in Lincoln several years ago so far outshined either national convention that either one could have been a national convention and 100% successful.

QSL SHOWBOARD

You have probably noticed the absence of the cartoon on the front page of this issue of HAM HUM which have become a part of the format for the past many months. Seems that the artist (?) ran out of ideas and has asked for a short leave of absence.

Recognizing the interest that has developed in the QSL contest currently running in CQ and at the same time knowing the satisfaction every ham receives in seeing his QSL on display, we will use the front page of HAM HUM as a "QSL SHOWBOARD" as long as we receive cards from the readers indicating that they want them on display. With the many and varied ideas being incorporated in acknowledgement cards today, we can be of a service to the person that is still looking for his own original idea by giving him a few suggestions.

Send your cards to "Editor, HAM HUM", Box 626, Omaha, Nebraska, with the notation..."for the QSL SHOWBOARD"...and we'll do the rest.

"OPERATION ALERT 1956" BIG SUCCESS

It took a lot of doing to put the finishing touches on the Civilian Defense exercise communications operations but we are proud to report that the Amateurs of this area lived up to their usual standards and came through with flying colors.

The basis for this whole program got under way several months ago with the activation of a Civilian Defense RACES group and the approval of a RACES communication plan being accepted by CD Headquarters. With the acceptance of the plan, CD Operations Director Wm. Noyes, and the Director of Communications, George Winkler, secured for amateur use the necessary equipment with which to handle emergency communications at both a fixed base station and for mobile operations. There are still a few items necessary to complete the stations, but the present gear enabled those participating in the communications exercise to handle all traffic with dispatch.

It was originally assumed that the majority of the traffic would be handled on 75 or 80 meters, but as the summer season took its usual toll on this band, it became very obvious that some

other band would have to be utilized if we were to get the heavy load of traffic from Omaha to State CD Headquarters at Lincoln. Several tests were made on 2 meters between the two cities, and after several weeks, it was decided that the job could be handled on 144 Mc.

Through the efforts of Herb Curry and John Orr, QXR and PHW, a 2 meter link was set up, but not until these two fellows had made 2 round trips from Omaha to Lincoln with a crank up tower on a trailer, complete duplicate sets of fixed frequency FM 2 meter transmitters and receivers and the necessary equipment with which to get the job done. An attempt was made to have this equipment set up at the State House, but this did not come to pass as originally planned. Instead, the facilities of Bob, VEC, were commandeered (?) and plans made for a relay from his QTH to JDJ at State Headquarters. We had hoped to have more of the Lincoln 2 meter stations working in the program, but because of other commitments, this was not possible.

On Thursday night, July 19th, John and Herb made their third round trip to Lincoln to set up

the final arrangements, with an attempt to be made at handling the traffic direct from the Omaha headquarters to Lincoln. Because of the geographical location of the City Auditorium, which is located down behind the hills of the City, the results were not as satisfactory as desired. This necessitated a relay from the Auditorium to a site from which the transmission into Lincoln was satisfactory.

On the Tuesday before the Alert exercise, Frank, BTE, was busy installing the new Viking CD II, whip antenna, VFO, and accessories in the mobile van. At 2 AM Thursday morning that job was completed after 3 nights of solid work.

On Thursday, July 19th, starting at 4 PM, before PHW and QXR were on their way to Lincoln, a sizeable crew consisting of AMM, IGL, PHW, QMD, JJK, and WXG gathered at the City Auditorium to install the entire setup of receivers, transmitters, antennas, relays, and etc, with which the job of handling traffic was to be done from this end. First came the antennas....and if anyone ever asks for the poorest location for a communications center in the City of Omaha...this was it! A 2 meter 5 element yagi was erected on a 10 foot mast at-

tached to one end of the ventilation monitors on the roof of the building. To this same mast was attached the end of a 75 meter dipole strung between the entire length of the monitors, which are about 200 feet long. Another mast was erected at the other end to support the dipole. With the masts available, the length of the antenna, etc, we wound up with the coax feed point at the center laying down on the roof! With hammer, nails, string and wire a tripod was built to support the center of the aerial, and a good job it was!

Then...over the roof, down through the main auditorium through the floor to the operating position ran the approximately 250 feet of coax for each antenna! We do not suggest that anyone try to figure the line loss or the amount of RF reaching these sky wires with such a feed line system, for all we can say is that it did work.

The Viking CD II, VFO, HQ-140XA, clock, speaker, and intercom system had all been arranged in one of the finest workable lay-outs that we have seen in a long time. George Winkler should be congratulated for the fine job done in acquiring this portable arrangement for our use. The job of completing the switching and relay cir-

cuits, wiring and testing of all gear wound up at 1:30 on Friday morning...just 6½ hours before the big deal was to get under way.

Four men were scheduled for each six hour shift which started at 8:00 AM Friday, July 20th, and without exception, every man was there well in advance of his time and carried out his assignment. These schedules were for the full duration of the Alert which lasted for 36 hours solid from the opening; a 12 hour recess, and then for 12 additional hours.

The traffic was handled on 75 and 80 meters with JDJ at Lincoln, and via 2 meters AM to the relay point, and from there to Lincoln on 2 meter FM to VEC, who relayed to the State House.

QXR and PHW have been wanting to find out just how RTTY would work on such a situation, so off they went again to Lincoln with teleprinter, paper, converter and what have you, after having set up an identical rig at our Omaha relay point. In short order, traffic was being handled on the new installation without delay. It was a bit difficult at first for the ops that did not know how to use a typewriter, plus the lack of experience in operating RTTY gear.

But with a minimum of practice, the show was on the road.

There were a few tense moments at the start, but with these out of the way, the entire amateur communications operation came off without a hitch. There has been some question as to the use of one call sign during such operations, and as it is rather unusual, we can understand the reason for the concern. Provisions are made, however, in the F.C.C. regulations pertaining to RACES emergency or practice operations, whereby the Radio Officer can designate the use of one call sign for base operation and necessary suffixes to differentiate between other stations operating within the net. At the discretion of the Radio Officer such calls as Red Dog, Blue Dog, etc., can be assigned for the purpose of expediency.

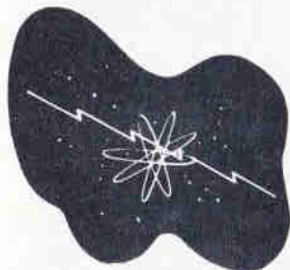
While there was a question raised about the use of a given frequency and trying to keep normal operating stations off that frequency, we are sure that any request made of a given station to QSY was made for the sole purpose of expediting CD traffic which was such a major portion of our part of the exercise. We do appreciate the cooperating afforded us and as requested of all hams by the FCC.

It would be impossible to differentiate between all the persons that cooperated as to whose effort was greatest, for every

man did an outstanding job in his own inimitable way. It is with a feeling of pride that we list the calls of the following persons that pitched in to make Operation Alert 1956 a big success.

KØAMM, WØIGL, WØQXR,
WØPHW, WØYZV, WØJJK,
WØJKE, WØNAG, WØQMW,

WØMKP, WØYVV, WØWXG,
WØVLI, KØAIS, KØEQK,
KØBSV, WØUIO, WØSRR,
WØNMN, WØYEV, WØCQX,
W9, WØQMD, plus all the others that assisted so capably. The attached letter from the Director of Communications, George Winkler, will certainly confirm all that is given above, and should make each of us happy that we had the opportunity to prove that Amateur Radio can fill the bill!



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OFFICE-402 CITY HALL PHONE AT. 8122

OMAHA 2, NEBRASKA

Communications & Warning Division

July 23, 1956

Mr. Arthur Stadler, Radio Officer
Amateur Communications
Omaha, Nebraska

Dear Art:

I wish to compliment you and the men you assigned to Civil Defense Communications positions during Operation Alert 1956 for the fine manner by which you carried out the responsibilities assigned to you.

The time and effort spent in preparing for the exercise was of course, perhaps much greater than the actual time spent during the actual hours of operation, and I want you to know that I am fully aware of the work you men gave to the cause, even though I was not with you during the preliminary phases of antenna installation etc.

The operators on duty at the Auditorium Control Center were very diligent, they did not leave their positions unmanned for one second. They concentrated on their work and they were most efficient and courteous.

I failed to find one single error or case of improper operational procedure with your crew. On the contrary, a mistake or two was discovered by your operators which occurred at some of the Directors' positions, and this indicated that they were very well briefed on proper message preparation and indicates to me that they can be depended upon 100% in event of a real emergency.

Further, I never met men who were more courteous or mannerly. The entire crew knew their business.....perfectly.

My only regret.....I did not get to know who they all were.

Again thanks....and a copy of my report covering the entire communications section will be made available for you and the club.

Sincerely,

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

CALAMITY AT THE HOME OF CQX

It all started a few weeks ago when CQX, who is at present using a small single wire for an antenna which, of course, is radiating R.F. from inside the basement shack, through an insulated hole by the side of the house and then up along the side of the house to a pole on top of the roof, was tuning up the antenna in preparation to going on the air.

The R.F. ammeter showed that something was amiss, the full current was not going into the wire, the current was wavering slightly but CQX figured that due to the heavy rains, possibly R.F. was leaking through some wet supporting insulators outside of the house, so proceeded to make a contact.

After the contact, which ended at 18:00, CQX took a stroll in the yard, to see why the kids had not cut the grass, when the stroll came near the side of the house where the antenna wire comes out, one look at the wire and boi-oi-oi-ng, quick like a flash, the cause of the difficulty was evident.

all the things to do, of all the places available, of all the things to plant, it seems that Grace, the XYL, had planted

some great big tall flowers right underneath the antenna wire and with the soaking rains they had grown about 3 feet tall, winding their precious stems all around the antenna.

When Grace was shown the burned spots on the flower stems caused by R.F. she said "That wire has got to go."

CQX replied, in a strong, meek voice, "Those flowers have got to go."

As you probably surmise, the flowers are still there and it seems that R.F. current is to their liking as they look healthier then ever now.

I ask you, what is a poor little down beaten "ham" to do in a situation like this?

FOR THOSE THAT INQUIRED

In the batch of mail we receive each month there are many cards and letters from HAM HUMreaders all over the country. The man with the straw cuffs, green eye shade and a two fingered typewriter gets a lot of satisfaction out of the kind bouquets that come in and, naturally, wrinkles the skin where his hair used to be when a sour one creeps in. But, you can be assured that we read

every piece of correspondence that comes our way and sap from it the many suggestions and constructive criticisms that each of you send along.

To the members of ARC, HAM HUM has become a matter of fact and there is no doubt in their minds that the next issue will be out just as sure as the sun comes up on the second Friday of each month. From out-state or those to whom we send our little paper upon request, we have had many inquiries as to, "What's the deal", or "How much do you charge for a subscription to HAM HUM?"

Well...that's an easy one to answer! There is no charge for HAM HUM. The members of the Ak-Sar-Ben Radio Club take pride in their paper and are proud to be able to send along, to those that request it, each monthly edition of HAM HUM.

The postage to mail the many hundred copies each month is paid by ARC out of its membership dues. Printing, production cost, and etc,...that's another situation. Our good President Dick, YZV can clarify that situation much more clearly than I, but as he is on his vacation we will have to defer that one until a later date.

Anyhow, while HAM HUM is free for the asking, we at no time return any contributions for the postage from those who see fit to send it along. In fact, we appreciate every 3¢ stamp that comes our way. If the spirit moves you in that direction, fine, but if you want HAM HUM sent to one of your friends,... let us know, it's free for the asking.

IOS should have his Johnson KW back in operation after a thorough factory rebuild job. We hope Mr. Johnson will forgive us Frank, but we think that homebrew KW job of yours is still tops.

Lookout men...IOS just returned from the west coast after having attended the "Big" convention and visiting with W6DKK. Frank tells us about the California kilowatts, mountain top antennas, plus swimming pools to cool the final. You just can't have everything Frank!

How would you feel if you heard that one of your neighbors that runs a half gallon rig on the same band that you work is going to move and let you have the sky around your QTH all your lonesome. Then...two weeks before he moves you turn on your receiver only to hear a new KW rig operating in your

favorite spot. Unfortunately the KW is just a block and a half away from your once QRM free location. Hello, AIS!

DON'T MISS THIS ONE!

For a long time we have been attempting to persuade John Orr and Herb Curry to give a demonstration of the latest in RTTY operation at one of the Club meetings.

After the recent CD exercise during which radio teletype played an important role in handling the many pieces of traffic between Omaha and Lincoln, we renewed our efforts to get this demonstration before the entire membership. John has agreed to give us not only a live demonstration but a verbal outline of the fundamentals of the fastest growing mode of amateur transmission...RTTY.

John, PHW is no newcomer to RTTY field, for not only has he pioneered amateur radio teletype transmission in this area but has devoted several years of his many years with Bell Telephone in their TT school both as student and more recently as instructor. FSK, ASK, polarized and neutral keying are all bywords with John and with this background there is no doubt that he can

and will clear up some of the seeming mysterys and intrigues that have bewildered those that have just recently come in contact with RTTY.

This promises to be an interesting demonstration so be on hand to hear the bells ring, the paper roll, and the type fly when PHW gets his RTTY in motion at the next meeting.

EDISON AWARD ANNOUNCED

SCHENECTADY, N. Y. Aug. 31 --The annual nation-wide search for the amateur radio operator who performs the most outstanding public service during the year was announced today with publication of the rules for the Fifth Annual Edison Radio Amateur Award.

A principal winner and several citation recipients will be chosen from the nation's 140,000 licensed radio amateurs, said L. Berkley Davis, award committee chairman and general manager of the electronic components division of General Electric, sponsor of the Edison Radio Amateur Award. He said the winners will be chosen by four nationally-known judges from nominations submitted by individuals and groups familiar with public services performed by radio "hams" during 1956.

The judges who will review the candidacies shortly after nominations close Jan. 3, 1957, are: Herbert Hoover Jr., the under secretary of state; E. Roland Harriman, President, American National Red Cross; Commissioner Rosel H. Hyde, Federal Communications Commission; and G. L. Dosland, president, American Radio Relay League—the amateur's national organization.

Judging will be based on the amount of sacrifice, ingenuity and greatest benefit displayed by amateurs in employing amateur radio in the public interest. Award recipients will be announced immediately after the judges meet late in January.

The Edison Award Trophy and a check for \$500 will be presented to the principal winner at a banquet ceremony in Washington, D. C., next February. The official award rules permit any responsible person or organization to nominate a licensed radio amateur who is known to have performed an outstanding public service. The service must have been performed while the candidate pursued his hobby within the continental limits of the United States during the 1956 calendar year. Copies of the rules and a guide to preparing nominations are available from the secretary of the Edison

Radio Amateur Award Committee, Electronic Components Division, General Electric, Schenectady, N. Y.

Previous Edison Awards have gone to amateurs who have provided emergency communications in floods and other disasters, provided outstanding technical contributions in the public interest, and displayed a great amount of sacrifice in educational and organizational work. The first four principal winners of the Edison Award were residents of Arkansas, Indiana, California, and New York, respectively.

ADVENTURE...SO SHORT, SO TRUE.

His ears twitched as his receiver did twitter
Rare DX actually gettin through the litter.
One eye roamed the many meters, while
The other was glued to the vee-fo dial.
The DX called, and called awhile
Then he signed and we jumped in the pile.
But lo and alas can life be bitter
For out went that big bottle as too many kilo-volts hitter.

Egads! The boys on 2 meters tell of a SSB sig pouring in from Greenleaf, Kansas the other night. With SSB, FM, and CTTY on two it sounds like that band might be worth watching.

Have you heard the story about the traveling salesman? You have.....? My, how these new stories do get around!

In case you haven't heard, there's a new version of the lazy man's rig. Push-button... Naw...that's old fashioned. Now they have buttons pushed by remote control.

We get a big kick out of picking the flaws from TV pictures and programs having to do with our hobby and radio in its many phases. We kinda chuckle and go along with most of them, but in a recent show, a fellow sat down to a straight key and with the speed and concern of a novice, started to slowly mess away. At the same time on the other end, the signal came thru at about 45 wpm and as sharp as a tape. Oh come now...lets be realistic!

Earle, JKE, has a new triple Globe Spanner beam that he hopes to get into operation this fall. Seems that Earle can't wait to get it up in the air where it belongs for he has been trying to load it on the ground in the back yard. What do you want, a strong ground wave, Earle?

There has been a rash of the old disease lately. The common carrier of this infection is known to be the RF of a DX station. The disease is called "LID-ITIS". Don't be alarmed, the cure is simple. Just try courtesy applied to all affected individuals. Lets all take a big dose of the Rx and ward off an epidemic.

QMD will soon be located on new terra firma. Reports have it that he's so tight that he picked the spot because of the free power available at the new QTH. Art is building a new RF drip pan just over the hill from the KWs of Frank Cooper, IOS, and Bill Mashek, CPM. Then, of course, Ferris Kramer and his 500 jugs are within needle bending distance! All Art has to do is point the beam NE and soak up the free power. Hi!

20TH ANNUAL PICNIC

The Northeast Nebraska Radio Club held their 20th Annual Club picnic on July 8th at the Stanton, Nebraska Fair Grounds with a great big turnout of hams, prospective hams, XYL's, YL's and young'ens in attendance.

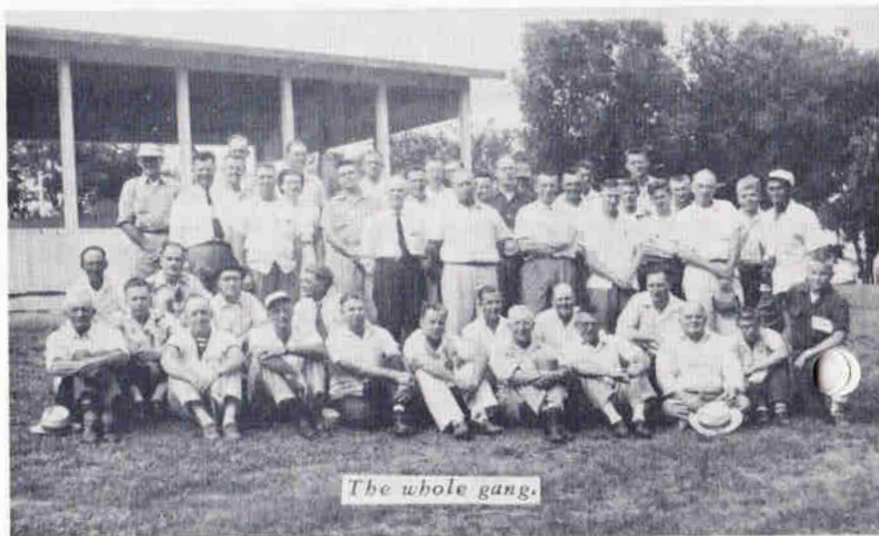
The pictures will give you an idea of the turnout but try as you might you can't catch all of the gang before they leave. Look real close and you will recognize some of the local personalities that made their appearance at the gabfest.

With the majority of the NENRC operating on SSB the big appeal was the New 600L side band rig in operation at the picnic. This is the rig that W6ZHD of

Anaheim, California (formerly of Wisner) just purchased from Marv', FYP of Oakland. We hear that this setup converted 2 of the AM boys to sidebands. Mmm...mm I wonder if there was a motive to the madness of these sidebanders...hi.

The AM rig furnished by the Norfolk Club to talk in the mobiles, the food that the folks brought along, plus the pop and ice cream furnished by the Club made this a real turnout.

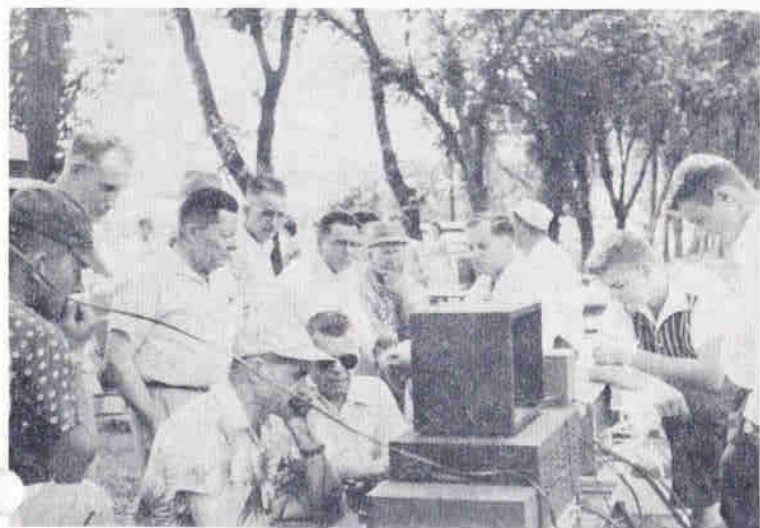
A special commendation goes to W6SPD, APS and ZUT, all of Stanton, for their all out effort in making the necessary arrangements for a fine picnic. You can bet the whole crowd is looking forward to the 1957 event.



The whole gang.



SSB gang.



The gang around the rig.

Al, JJK, is now located in Papillion, Nebraska. That's down there in South hollow, but still within ground wave range. Al doesn't have anything on the air at this moment, but he's still suffering from the delusion that he'll finally finish that KW after these many years and get on the air. Mmm. ..mm, could be.

Clarence Draper, KOCZE, has been on an extended TDY so has been off the air, but expects to be heard from on or about the first of August. Al is putting up a "10 for 10" as described in QST, so lookout, DX, here comes Clarence!

Did you know that Frank Cooper IOS, just received his second DXCC? Frank had over 200 countries confirmed and for it received his original certificate while residing in Connecticut. The second one arrived in June and denotes the second time that IOS has submitted the more than 100 confirmed DX contacts. Congratulations Frank.

Have you seen the new WRL rig called the Globe Chief 90? It has many of the same features of the Globe Scout 65B and in appearance is very similar. It's a 90 watt CW rig with plug-in printed circuit modulator available on an optional basis.



**"No need to set the alarm clock from now on.
The boss hired a pretty little redhead today"**

Bob, WQ~~N~~NAG, (Whoa, Nag) is putting the finishing touches on his '56 model phone and CW rig. Those 65 watts input a dipole are doing a FB job and you can be sure to be hearing more from NAG in short order. A dyed-in-the-wool CW man, Bob is looking forward to phone operation, but I'll bet my squelched spark gap that he'll be back at the key in a hurry!

Bill, CPM, has been missing from the airways for several weeks and the big signal has been conspicuous by its absence. Bill and Tony are down in VP2 land basking in the cool breezes of the Caribbean, but you might give a listen for Charlie Peter Mary in the DX portion of the 20 meter band for it's possible you will hear Bill working DX from the QTH of VP 2KM.



Dick, UKQ, tells us that he really blasts his neighbor's receiver when the 6 meter rig is on the air. It wouldn't be so bad except that his neighbor hears the other end of the QSO too! Wow...that TV is hot!

Remember Charlie Vanderpool, W5NT? Chuck has left New Mexico and is headed for Dallas, Texas, where he will join the Engineering staff of the Collins Radio Company. NT will be only a couple of hours from his home at 708 West Harris Street, Madill, Oklahoma. From this QTH, Chuck will be working 75, 40 and 10, so give a big ear down Dallas way for that familiar call of W5NT.

John Snyder, WQWRT, one of the 2 meter stalwarts of this area checked his log and reports that on July 12th he worked WQVOP at Falls City with VOP working 2 meter mobile. On the same evening, John had a solid QSO with WQEZM at Independence, Mo. The way the 2 meter band is behaving, how about firing up the 144 Mc gear before you miss the boat.

Bob, EUT, is back on SSB with a new Phasemaster II and a P&H linear. Maybe we'll get Bob to attend the Club meetings yet.

Six is reported to be picking up according to CHK. Mac tells us that his 6 meter sig will work stations on ground wave, at will, up to several hundred miles. Mac is getting to that point where only a very few states stand between him and the WAS on 6 but with conditions getting better all the time it looks like he has it in the bag.

An anonymous bit of wisdom: Don't worry about what people are thinking about you, for they are not thinking about you, but are wondering what you think of them.

KQÇZE says that things are buzzing radio-wise at SAC headquarters. General C. E. LeMay passed the exams and is now signing KQÇRL. KQDWC is General F. H. Griswold. Welcome to the land of Ha gentlemen, but do we have to salute before we say 73 and sign after a FB QSO with you fellows?

Don Field, GJI, is still swabbing decks for Uncle Samuel, and relies on HAM HUM to keep in tune with the Omaha group.

Com says the skipper hasn't seen fit to let him operate M/M from the big battle wagons, so far, but that he will keep trying. Funny how some people feel about ham radio, isn't it?

We're all ready to hear the sig from YZK's new antenna set up. Ferris has his new 10 and 20 meter Telrex beams all assembled on the ground and expects to have them in the air, temporarily at least, in a week or ten days. Wanted pole climbers and high line men. We'll be a-listening, Ferris.



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