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TR-7500



There are a number of good 2 meter FM transceivers on the market. You may already own one. But, even if you do, we suggest that you put your radio to this test. And, if you're thinking of buying one, this test should be a helpful guide.

	NO	YES
Is it PLL synthesized?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does it have 100 channels (88 pre-programmed)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does it have 12 extra diode programmable channels?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does it have single knob channel selection?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does it have a LED digital frequency display?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does it have a powered tone pad connection?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Does the receiver have helical resonators?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If your answer is NO to any of these, the TR-7500 is the radio that you should own. And, in addition to these important features, you get proven Kenwood quality, value and service.



TR-7500 Specifications

Semiconductors: Transistors 41
 FETs 8
 ICs 7
 Diodes 35

Frequency Range: 146.01 to 147.99 MHz
 Mode: FM
 No. of Channels: 100
 Operating Temperature: -20 to +50 degrees C
 Power Voltage: 11.5 to 16.0V DC (13.8V DC nominal)

Grounding Polarity: Negative ground
 Antenna Impedance: 50 Ohms
 Current drain: Less than 0.5A in receive with no input signal
 Less than 3A in transmit (HI) Less than 1.5A in transmit (LOW) (at 13.8V DC)

Dimensions: 172 mm (6-3/4") wide
 250 mm (9-7/8") deep
 75 mm (2-15/16") high

Weight: Approximately 2.2 kg (4.8 lbs.)

TRANSMIT SECTION
 RF Output Power: High: 10 Watts
 Low: 1 Watt (approximately)

Modulation: Variable reactance frequency shift

Frequency Deviation: ±5 KHz
 Spurious Radiation: Better than -60dB

Tone Pad Input
 Impedance: 600 Ohms
 Microphone: Dynamic microphone with PTT switch, 500 Ohms

RECEIVE SECTION

Receive System: Double conversion superheterodyne
 Intermediate Frequency: 1st IF: 10.7 MHz
 2nd IF: 455 kHz

Sensitivity: Better than 0.4 uV for 20dB quieting
 Better than 1 uV for 30dB S/N

Squelch Sensitivity: Better than 0.25 uV
 Selectivity: 12kHz at -6dB down
 40 kHz at -70dB down

Image Rejection: Better than -70dB
 Spurious Interference: Better than -60dB

Audio Output: More than 1.5 watts across 8 Ohms load 10% distortion
 Intermodulation: Better than 66dB

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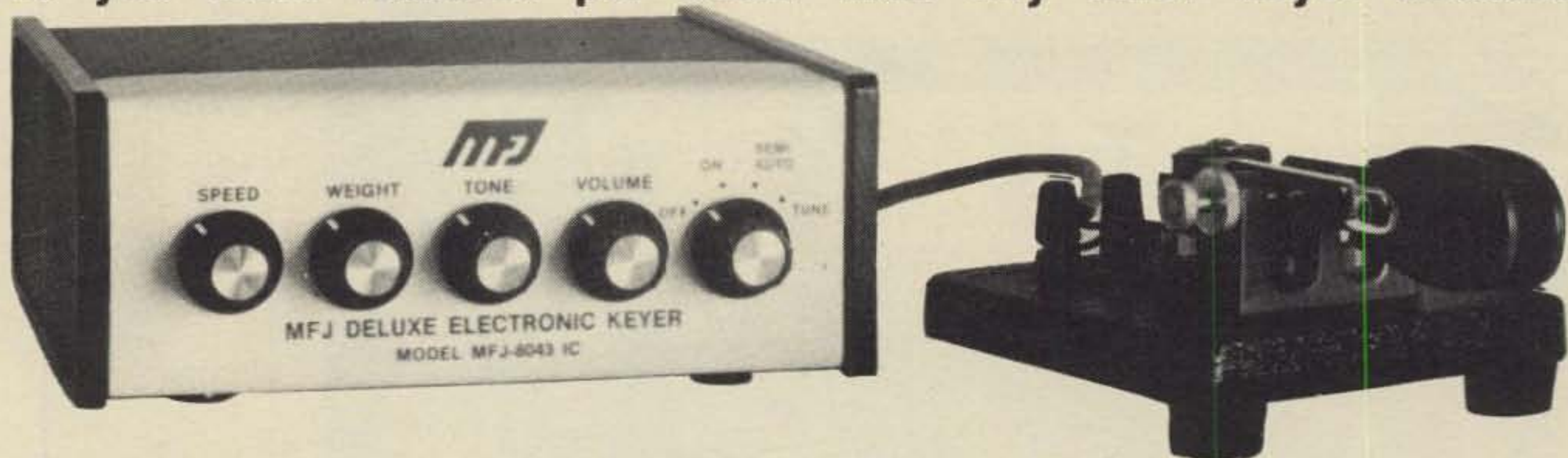
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Zero Bias

an editorial

Last month when I wrote an Open Letter To The President I had no way of telling what was about to happen at the FCC. Well, it went down to the wire at Gettysburg. The farewell dinners and lunches, the goodbye parties that people have and all the sad trimmings of a group about to disband. Literally at the last moment a reprieve came through in the form of permanent positions for those about to depart that day. However the word temporary came through again in the form of a "review" to be held in the fall so that even though the positions are "permanent" they are only permanent until the fall. The net result to Gettysburg will be the loss of one employee position due to some reshuffling in order to accommodate the "permanent" status of the rest. It is rumored that we owe this benevolence to someone with CB interests who put a "word" into the White House who in turn put the "word" to the OMB. Whatever the reason or whoever is responsible . . . we thank you.

As this is being written before the August issue reaches most of you, I cannot judge or measure the reaction to the Open Letter or to the report of the meeting we had at Gettysburg. On July 13, another meeting is scheduled to be held by the FCC in Washington. This meeting will also deal with the workings and problems of the FCC with afternoon sessions in an open forum format whereby interested parties can make presentations or present thoughts on areas of concern to amateur radio. I think that this meeting concept is a terrific idea whereby on a regular basis we can discuss what is happening in amateur radio and ways and means to make it more effective, efficient and meaningful to all of us. It brings the FCC and the entire system closer to the people concerned and gives everybody a clearer perspective on what is happening. I welcome the openness.

There are several other meetings to be held in Washington in July and early August by the FCC to gather other information presumably to file reports with various committees on updating or rewriting the Communications Act of 1934 to make it relevant to today's needs. This is the Act which regulates and sets down the rules and regulations for the amateur radio service and other users of the radio spectrum. Perhaps with this new Administration we will see more and more of the official bureaucracy peeled away and Government Agencies actually being able to serve the needs of the people who put them there. I hope all of these moves towards progress come to pass and that we can all benefit by them. We are facing a brand new and tremendous interest in amateur radio for the future, so let's all help it along and work together.

Progress in any area sometimes exacts a sad price as evidenced by a letter received here written by Jim Millen of Millen Mfg. Co. For a full story on Millen Mfg. Co. and its impact on amateur radio, I suggest you read "Designed For Application, The Story Of James Millen, W1HRX" in the July 1967 issue of CQ on page 26. Jim's letter speaks for itself:

The End Of An Era

Dear Alan,

May 31, 1977

After 50 years in the Electronic Business in Malden, (May 1927) the Malden Redevelopment Authority has taken our present factory, which we have occupied since May 1939, by eminent domain.

As a result, certain plans had to be made for future operations from a new location. These plans proved impracticable. New and different plans are now in the process of implementation by which our line of "Designed for Application" products will be produced under license by three other fine companies:

COMPONENTS: Electronic Instruments & Specialty Co.

MAGNETIC SHIELDS: MuShield Division of BOMCO.

INSTRUMENTS & EQUIPMENT: Caywood Electronics Co.

They will use our tools, molds, dies, etc., under the supervision of a group of our longtime experienced personnel.

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Personal mail should be addressed to me at Tarbox Lane, North Reading, Mass. 01864.

Regards, Jim

New Novice Editor

As most of you know by now Herb Brier, W9AD, passed away recently and this month we ran the last column he submitted. We will all miss Herb and his writing and the effects of all of his efforts to teach the newcomer.

Starting in October our new Novice Editor will be Bill Welsh, W6DBB. I knew of Bill by his reputation with the Lockheed Amateur Radio Club (W6LS) and when I asked him to join CQ he said yes. He has been extremely active in teaching programs for Novices for many years and in some circles he is known as "Mr. Novice". I am confident that Bill can provide a wealth of information, based on his vast experience, to the newcomer to amateur radio. I asked Bill to send me a little background material so that I could let you know something about him. Well it turns out that the highlights and accomplishments of Bill's career in amateur radio, public service and work took four single-spaced type-written pages (both sides) and spans over 28 years. The only thing I would like to know is when he found time to sleep or to keep up with his seven children.

Welcome to the CQ Team Bill we all look forward to reading your column and meeting you through the pages of CQ next month.

73, Alan, K2EEK

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DIGITAL DISPLAY DG-5 (option)

The new Kenwood DG-5 provides easy, accurate readout of your operating frequency while transmitting and receiving.

OUTSTANDING RECEIVER SENSITIVITY AND MINIMUM CROSS MODULATION

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FINAL AMPLIFIER

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HIGHLY EFFECTIVE NOISE BLANKER

An effective noise blanking circuit developed by Kenwood that virtually eliminates ignition noise is built-in to the TS-520S.

RF ATTENUATOR

The new TS-520S has a built-in 20 dB attenuator that can be activated by a push button switch conveniently located on the front panel.

VFO-520 — NEW REMOTE VFO

The VFO-520 remote VFO has been designed to match the styling of the TS-520S and provide maximum operating flexibility on the band selected on your TS-520S.

AC POWER SUPPLY

The TS-520S is completely self-contained with a rugged AC power supply built-in. The addition of the DS-1A DC-DC converter (option) allows for mobile operation of the TS-520S.

EASY CONNECTION PHONE PATCH

The TS-520S has 2 convenient RCA phono jacks on the rear panel for PHONE PATCH IN and PHONE PATCH OUT.

CW-520 — CW FILTER (OPTION)

The CW-520 500 Hz filter can be easily installed and will provide improved operation on CW.

AMPLIFIED TYPE AGC CIRCUIT

The AGC circuit has 3 positions (OFF, FAST, SLOW) to enable the TS-520S to be operated in the optimum condition at all times whether operating CW or SSB.

The TS-520S retains all of the features of the original TS-520 that made it tops in its class: RIT control • 8-pole crystal filter • Built-in 25 KHz calibrator • Front panel carrier level control • Semi-break-in CW with sidetone • VOX/PTT/MOX • TUNE position for low power tune up • Built-in speaker • Built-in Cooling Fan • Provisions for 4 fixed frequency channels • Heater switch.



Specifications

Amateur Bands: 160-10 meters plus WWV (receive only)
 Modes: USB, LSB, CW
 Antenna Impedance: 50-75 Ohms
 Frequency Stability: Within ± 1 kHz during one hour after one minute of warm-up, and within 100 Hz during any 30 minute period thereafter
 Tubes & Semiconductors:
 Tubes 3 (S2001A x 2, 12BY7A)
 Transistors 52
 FETs 19
 Diodes 101
 Power Requirements: 120/220 V AC, 50/60 Hz, 13.8 V DC (with optional DS-1A)
 Power Consumption: Transmit: 280 Watts Receive: 26 Watts (with heater off)
 Dimension: 333(13 $\frac{1}{4}$) W x 153 (6-0) H x 335(13- (13-3/16) D mm(inch)
 Weight: 16.0 kg(35.2 lbs)
TRANSMITTER
 RF Input Power: SSB: 200 Watts PEP CW: 160 Watts DC
 Carrier Suppression: Better than -40 dB
 Sideband Suppression: Better than -50 dB
 Spurious Radiation: Better than -40 dB
 Microphone Impedance: 50k Ohms
 AF Response: 400 to 2,600 Hz

RECEIVER
 Sensitivity: 0.25 μ V for 10 dB (S+N)/N
 Selectivity: SSB: 2.4 kHz/-6 dB, 4.4 kHz/-60 dB
 Selectivity: CW: 0.5 kHz/-6 dB, 1.5 kHz/-60 dB (with optional CW-520 filter)
 Image Ratio: Better than 50 dB
 IF Rejection: Better than 50 dB
 AF Output Power: 1.0 Watt (8 Ohm load, with less than 10% distortion)
 AF Output Impedance: 4 to 16 Ohms

DG-5 SPECIFICATIONS
 Measuring Range: 100 Hz to 40 MHz
 Input Impedance: 5 k Ohms
 Gate Time: 0.1 Sec.
 Input Sensitivity: 100 Hz to 40 MHz... 200 mV rms or over, 10 kHz to 10 MHz... 50 mV or over
 Measuring Accuracy: Internal time base accuracy ± 0.1 count
 Time Base: 10 MHz
 Operating Temperature: -10° to 50° C/14° to 122° F
 Power Requirement: Supplied from TS-520S or 12 to 16 VDC (nominal 13.8 VDC)
 Dimensions: 167(6-9/16) W x 43(1-11/16) H x 268(10-9/16) D mm(inch)
 Weight: 1.3 kg(2.9 lbs)

DG-5 (optional)



The luxury of digital readout is available on the TS-520S by connecting the new DG-5 readout (option). More than just the average readout circuit, this counter mixes the carrier, VFO, and heterodyne frequencies to give you your exact frequency. This handsomely-styled accessory can be set almost anywhere in your shack for easy to read operation... or set it on the dashboard during mobile operation for safety and convenience. Six bold digits display your operating frequency while you transmit and receive. Complete with DH (display hold) switch for frequency memory and 2 position intensity selector. The DG-5 can also be used as a normal frequency counter up to 40 MHz at the touch of a switch. (Input cable provided.)

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SPECIFICATIONS

FREQUENCY COVERAGE
MODES
SUPPLY VOLTAGE
SIZE (mm)
WEIGHT
TRANSMITTER
TX OUTPUT
CARRIER SUPPRESSION

144-000 to 148-000MHz
FM (F3)
SSB (A3), CW (A1)
DC 13.8V ±15%
90W ±15W ±2.00
2.1

SPIRORADIATION
MAXIMUM FREQUENCY
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MICROPHONE IMPEDANCE

RECEIVER
SENSITIVITY

-60 dB BELOW CARRIER
±9KHz
500 OHMS

1KHz at 0.5 MICROVOLT
INPUT GIVES 10 dB S+N
F3.0 MICROVOLT OR LESS
FOR 20 dB QUIETING
S+N + 20dB AT 1 MICROVOLT
INPUT 30 dB

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SPIRORADIATION

RECEIVER
FREQUENCY RANGE
STEP SIZE

STABILITY

-8 dB OR LESS (F3)
-60 dB OR BETTER

144 MHz to 148 MHz
5 KHz for FM
100 Hz to 5 KHz for SSB
PER C IN THE RANGE OF -10
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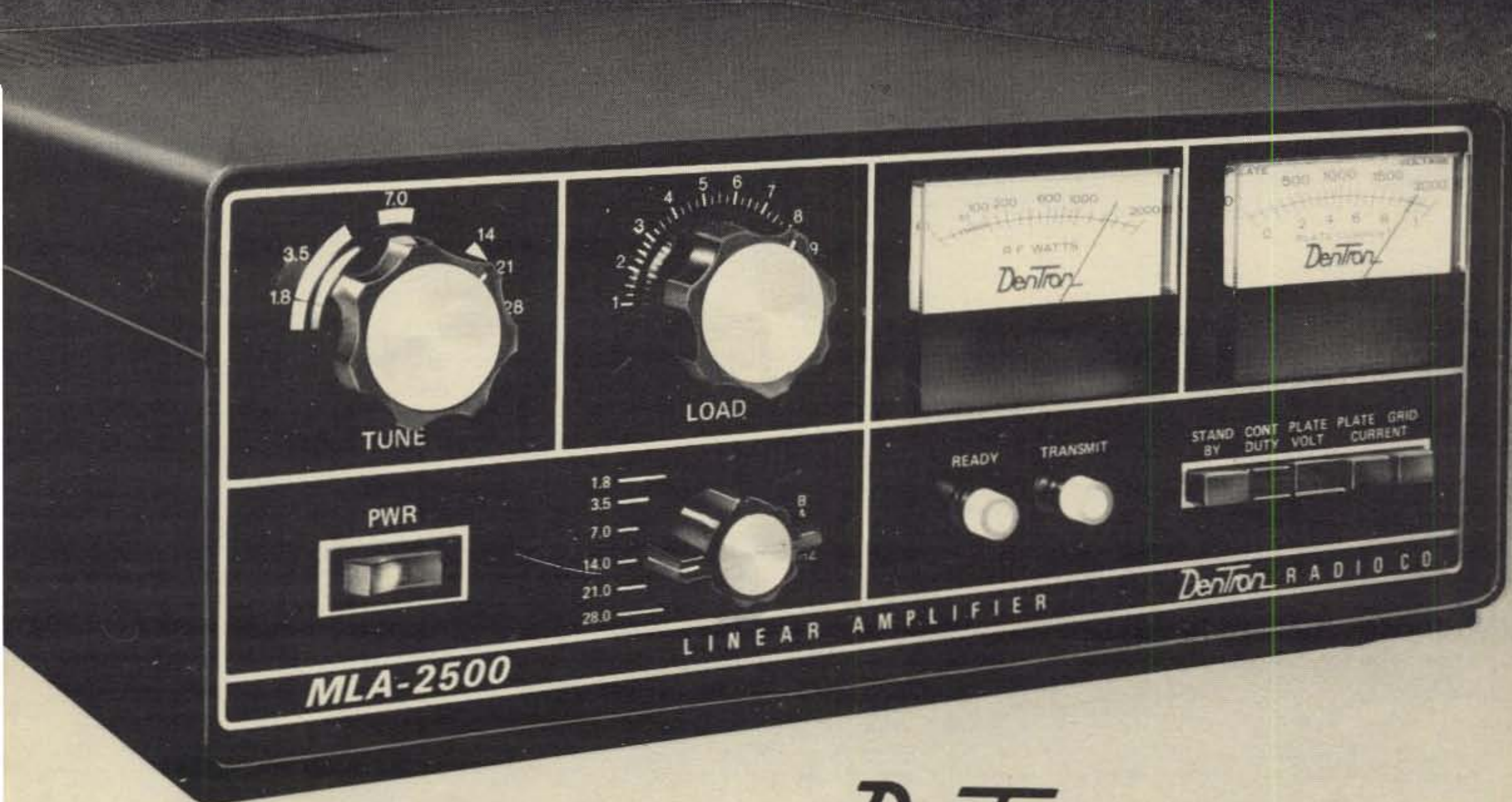
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• **Falls Church, VA** — The 1977 Technical Symposium will be held on Friday evening, Sept. 16th at the Tysons Corner Ramada Inn. This is in conjunction with the ARRL Virginia Station Convention on the 17th and the 18th of the same month. Both the convention and the technical symposium are sponsored by the Northern Virginia Amateur Radio Council (NOVARC). Areas of interest include: propagation, antennas, transmitting and receiving equipment, design and construction techniques, etc. For further info, write or call Paul Rinaldo, W4RI, 1524 Springvale Ave., McLean, VA 22101, (703) 356-8918 evenings or weekends.

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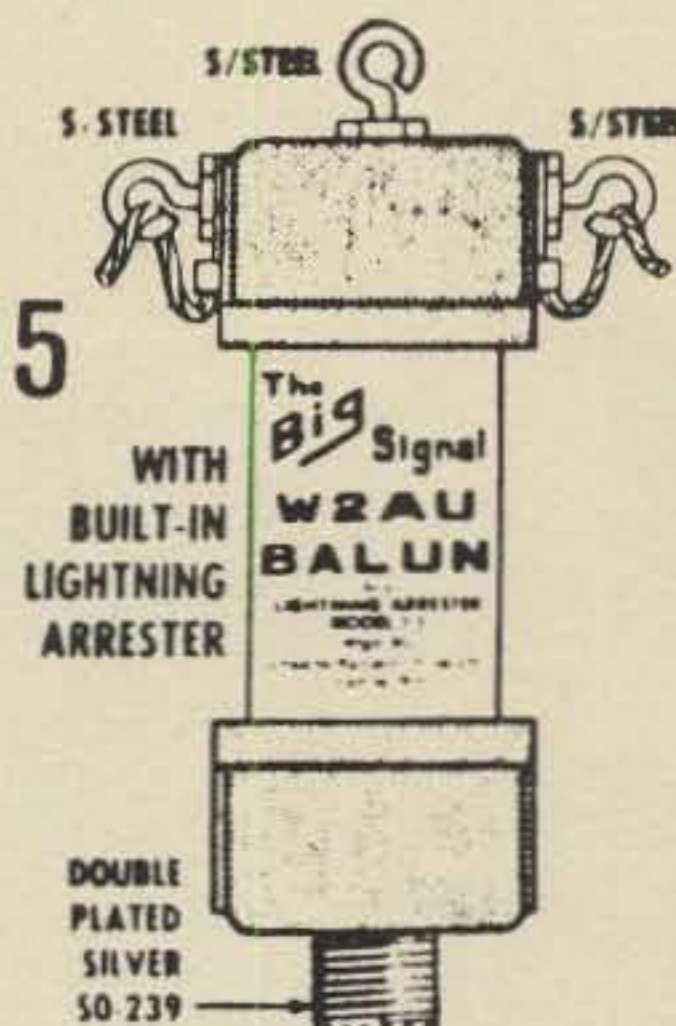
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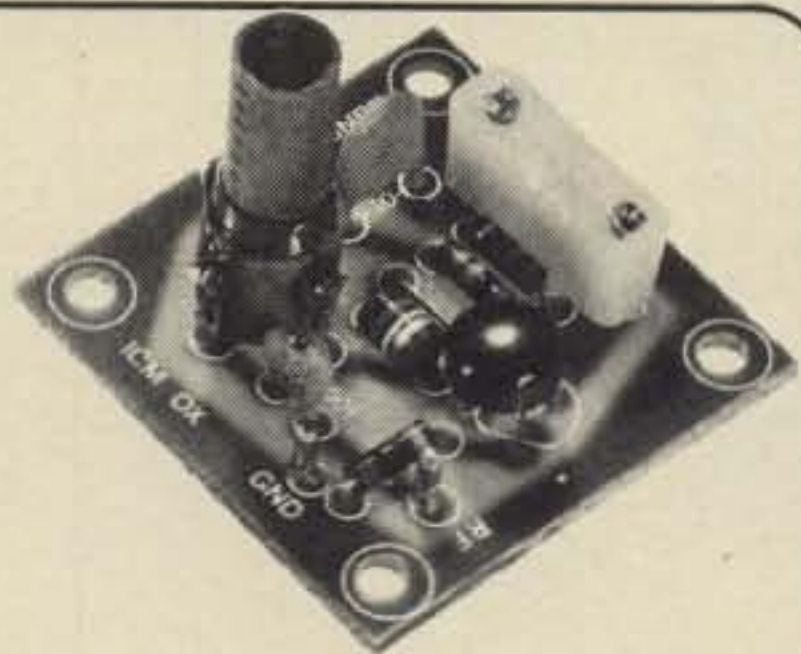
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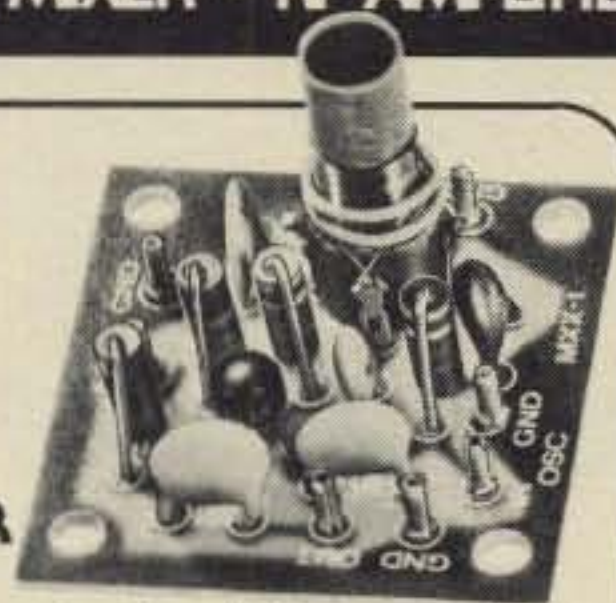
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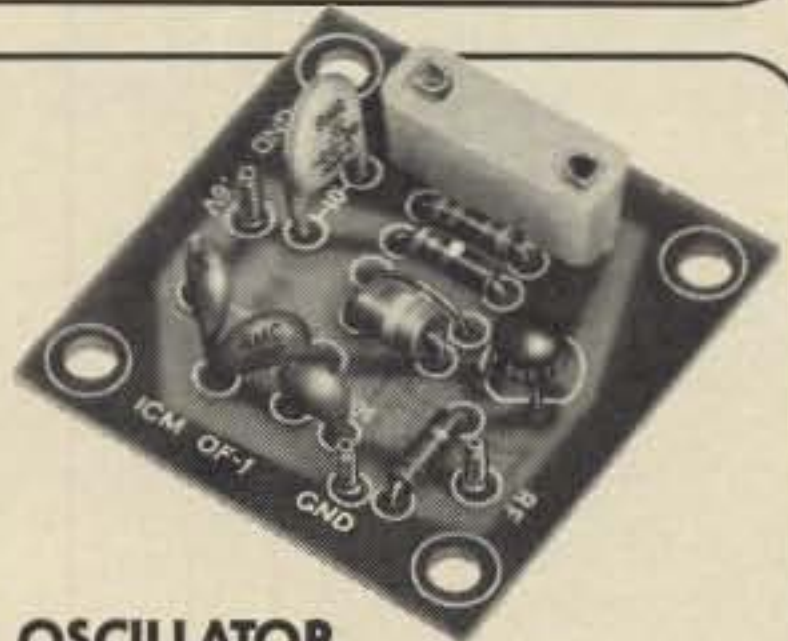
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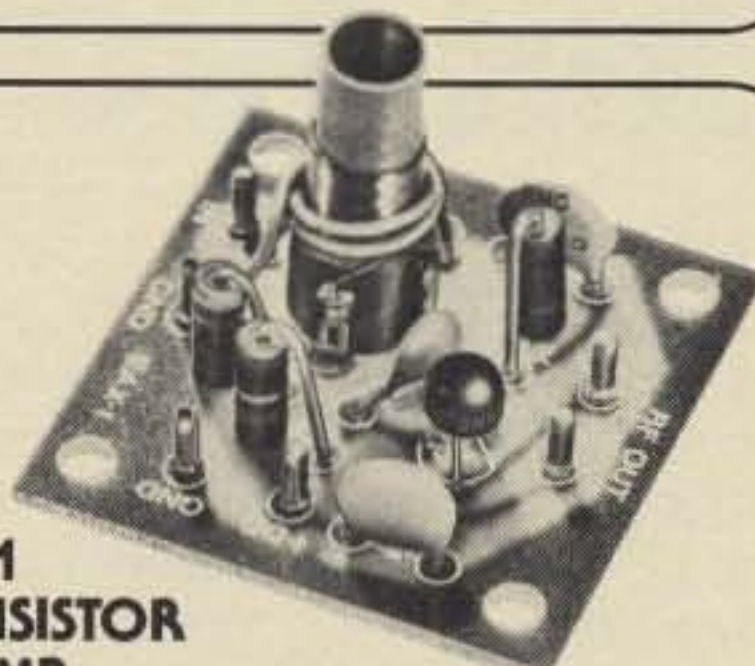
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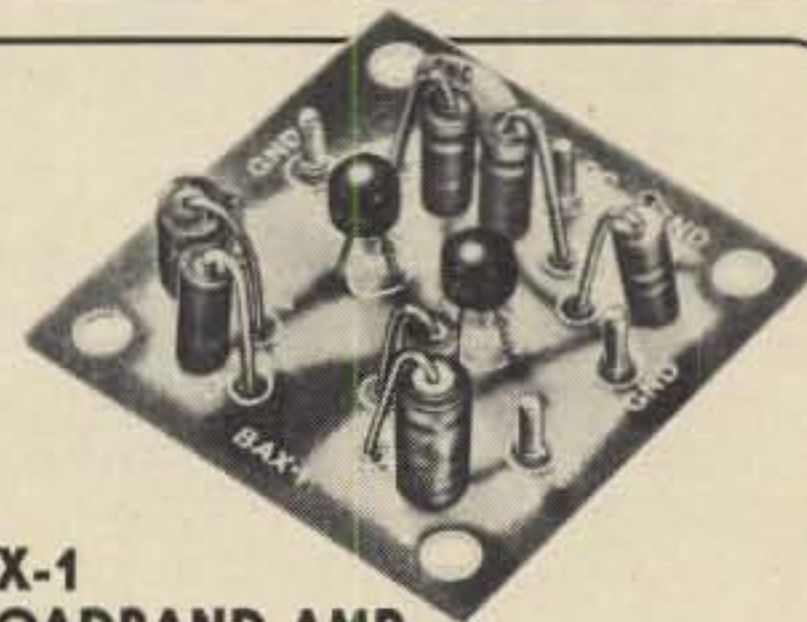
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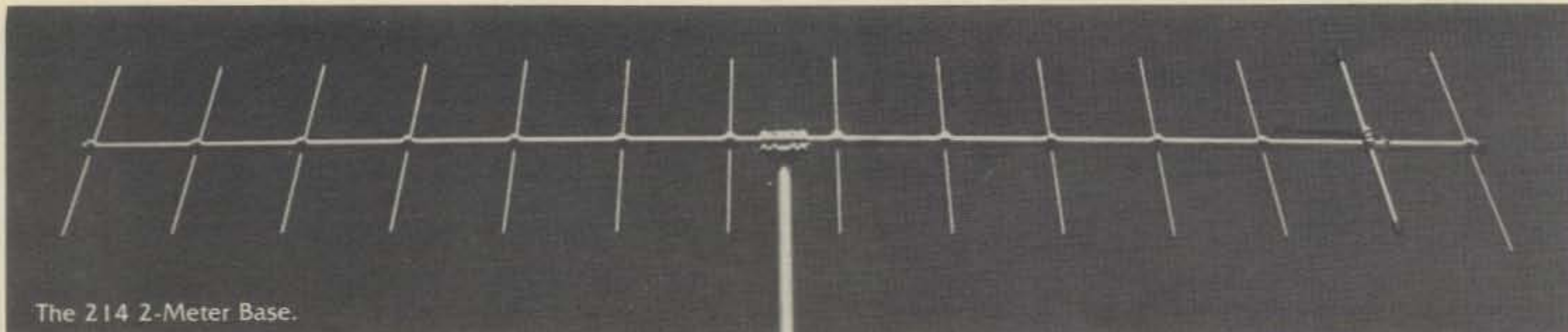
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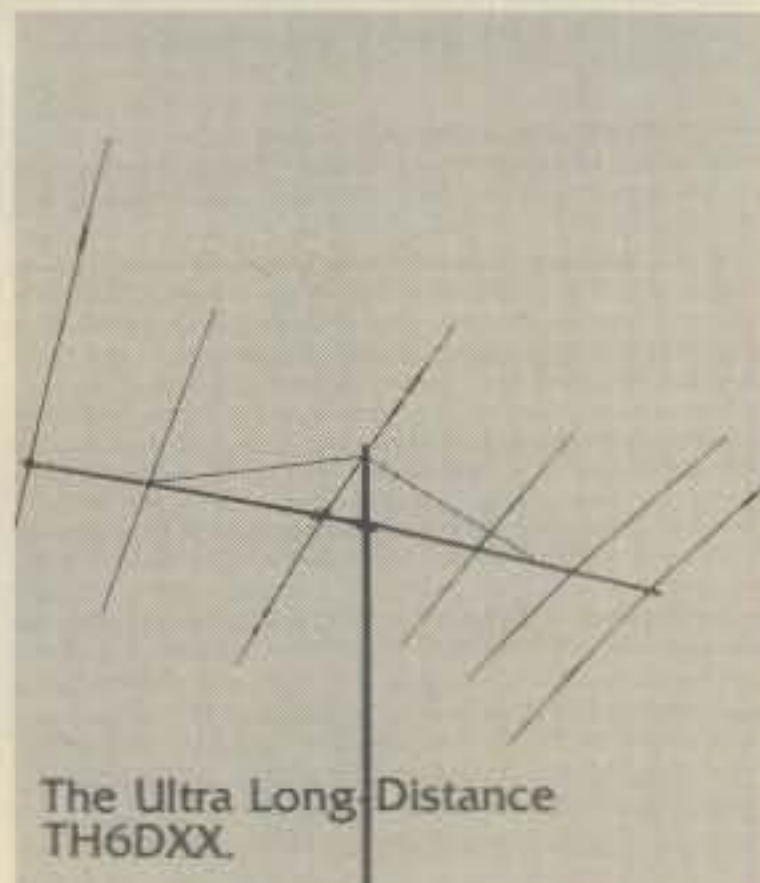
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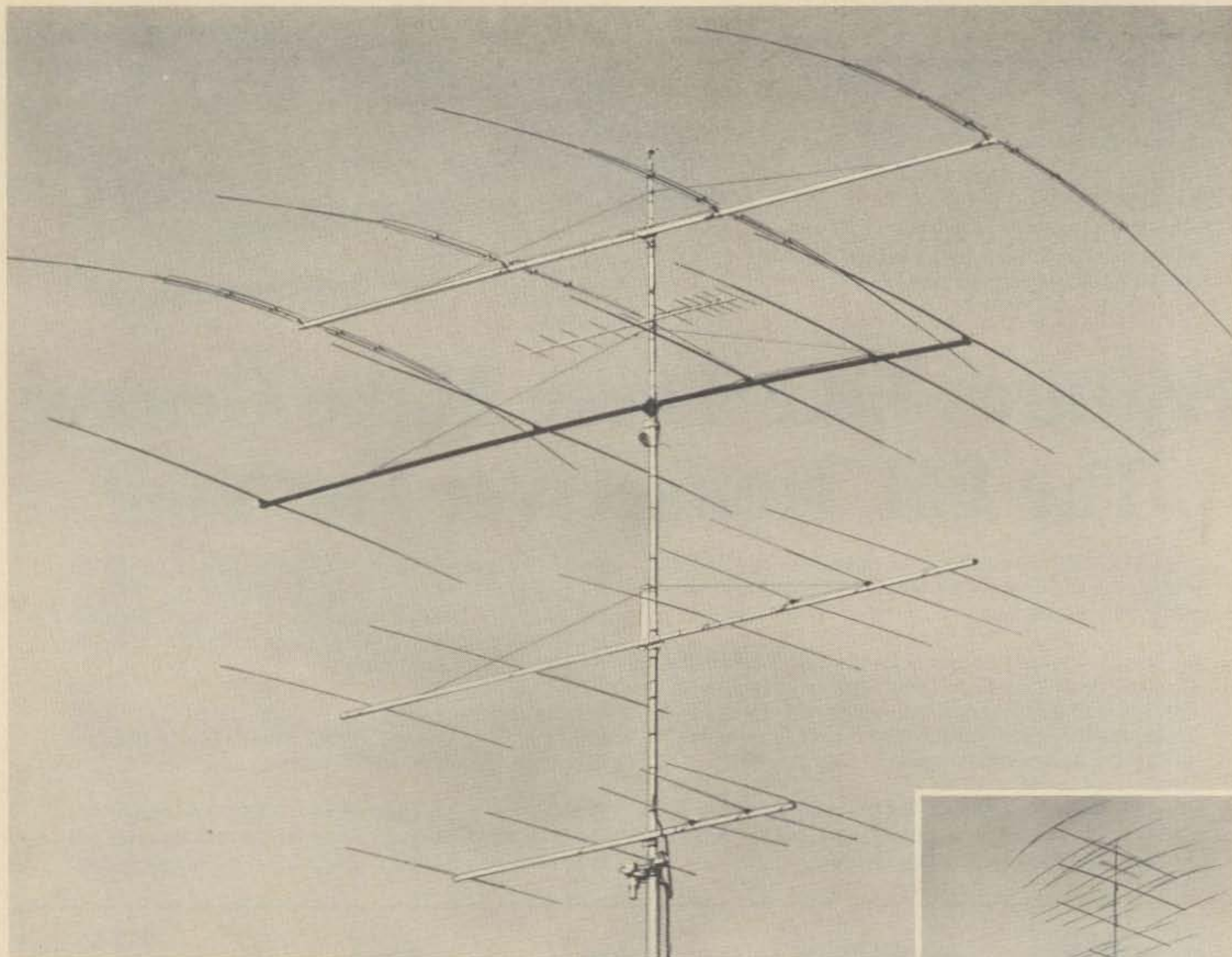
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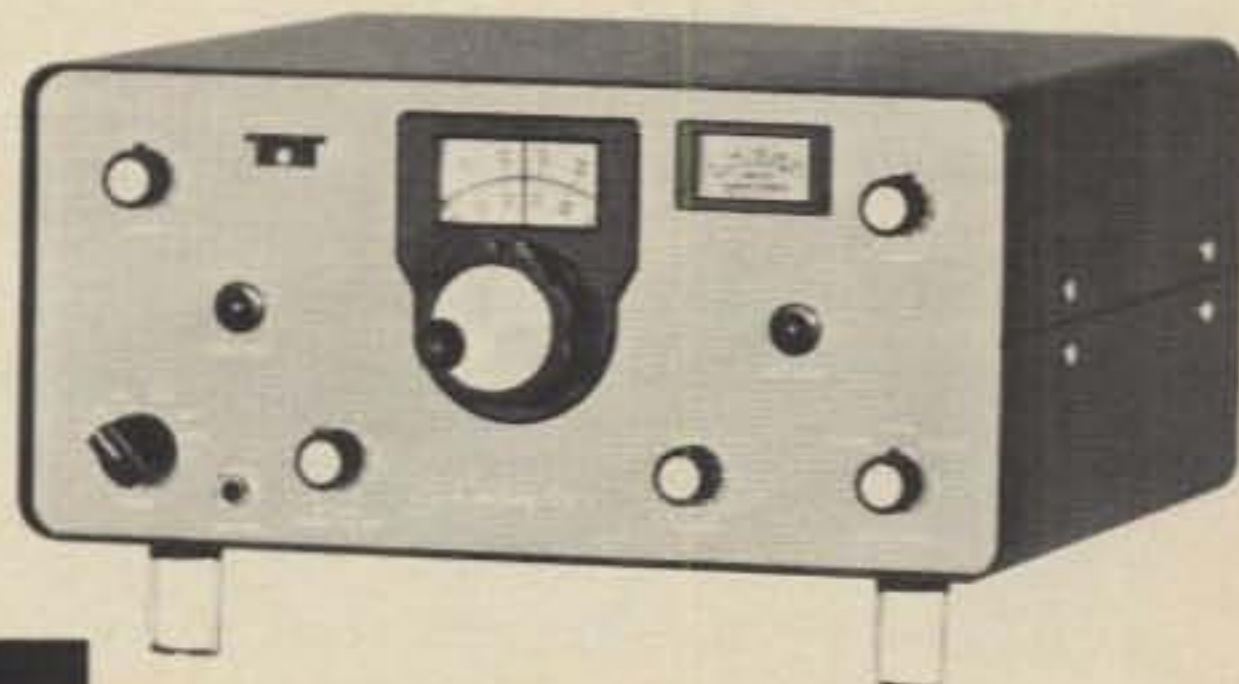
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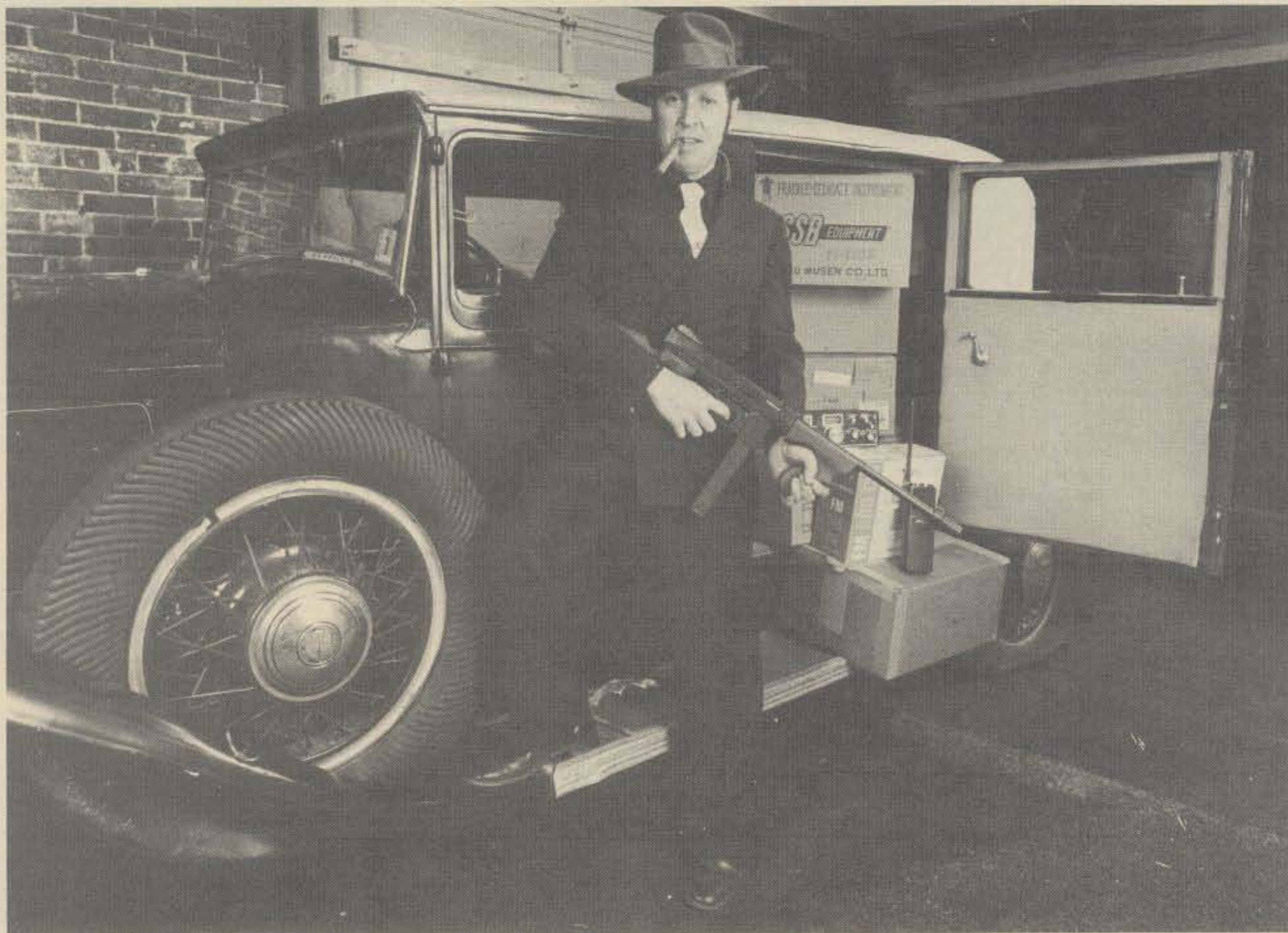
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Only dis munt Alan is attendin' a bunch of big ham tipe convenshuns so he keeps busy on da road. It's a grate oportunittee to get out an' meet up wit other ham fokes from other areeas. Alan's a reel poisnable fellow and all dat.

Now, Millie, and boy aint she a doll?!.; well she's bin so busy keepin in a fresh new stock of all dat ham

ekwipment she's been travelin' back an' fort to dose manufactoorers to make shoor we got plenty goodys in stock all da time. All dem Yaesus an' Kenwoods an' Drakes an' Swans an Atlasas an Dentrons an' evryting, you know how it is. So iffen you don't find Millie in de store dis week you'll ketch her nex week.

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Ted and Meredith Henry team up for another DXpedition across the Pacific. Read about their travels in the coming months of CQ and better yet work them as they travel along Odyssey "77".

ODYSSEY "77"

AN AMATEUR RADIO TRIP AROUND THE WORLD

BY TED HENRY*, W6UOU

DX is the magic word in amateur radio. No single aspect of our hobby so excites the imagination or more fully illuminates the essence of its appeal for amateurs all over the world. During forty years this salient fact has been as impelling for me as it still is for DX'ers everywhere. It is for this reason that my wife, Meredith W6WNE, and I are so pleased that CQ Magazine is joining us in documenting the ultimate radio thrill, a DXpedition right around the world. We are calling it our "Odyssey 77".

*11240 West Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. 90064



Ted, W6UOU, and Meredith, W6WNE, are very happy contemplating their trip with the map in the background and their new amplifier just waiting to bust through the pile-ups.

Our trip will, we hope, celebrate the arrival of number 21 in the modern series of sunspot cycles. Long distance communicators have impatiently awaited the arrival of the new cycle remembering all too vividly the non-stop 24 hour propagation bonanza that prevailed during the historic highs of cycle 20.

The question has been asked, "why would anyone want to endure a radio DXpedition?". It's a fair question and a flip answer would be the mountaineer's reply, "because it is there". But the real explanation is not quite so simple and is considerably more basic than that.

Having experienced two previous radio trips to the South Pacific, I can affirm that radio offers no greater thrill. The emotional impact one feels when the calls start flooding in from all over the world, the sudden wonderment of communicating across time and space, the babel of voices from all the continents, messages floating from my sunset to their dawn, signal reports (the common world language of amateur radio) passing from culture to culture, these things are the "why" of a DXpedition. So finally the answer to the question is if you have to ask "why", then probably you will never understand "why".

Because we are among the initiate who understand "why", on about August 15th, Meredith and I will depart Los Angeles flying west to Oceania. In the baggage compartment will be the latest in amateur s.s.b. transceivers chosen especially for its maximum adaptability and efficiency in split-channel DX operation. Also flying along with us will be a prototype of our newest full power Desk Model Amplifier. Finally we will be carrying a two element

tri-band beam modified for portability so that it can be transported in the baggage compartment of any commercial aircraft. Hopefully with equipment of this quality, we will be heard in the U.S. whenever there are band openings. It will be interesting indeed to observe the level of the signal we can develop as we proceed from continent to continent to continent.

In all we plan to operate from five or six different locations. The first stop will be in the far Pacific for a period of about four days around August 16th to the 20th. The next one or two stops will be in Asia and the final two or three will be in Africa. In so far as possible, we'll try to schedule operations during weekends in the U.S. and traveling times during the middle of the week in this way exposing ourselves to the maximum number of contacts. If all goes well, the last operation will be about October 1st.

Making up the itinerary for this kind of expedition is more than challenging. The first chore is compiling a potential list of rare countries that are in demand. During this phase we have relied heavily on John Irvin's "How Rare Is That Country?" in July CQ and on the "1977 Needed Country Survey" of the WCDXB.

After a tentative list of prospects is compiled, then begins the weeding out process. One country can't be reached by normal means of transportation as part of a necessarily tight schedule. The next country has an unsympathetic government which doesn't understand ham radio and doesn't want to understand. Some locations are unfavorable for radio propagation to the U.S. during the time period involved. A number are doubtful because of possible bad weather. Typhoons and monsoon storms are not included in our plans. Finally a group is excluded because we would not be welcome there.

So one by one the prospects fall and finally, after a seemingly endless river of letters and cablegrams have floated back and forth, the list comes down to a precious few. These furnish the rationale for our radio experience of a lifetime.

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By the time you read this we will be travelling, eager for the opportunity once again to say "hello" to our thousands of radio friends. Join with us in welcoming the new "DX" cycle. Join us on our "Odyssey '77".

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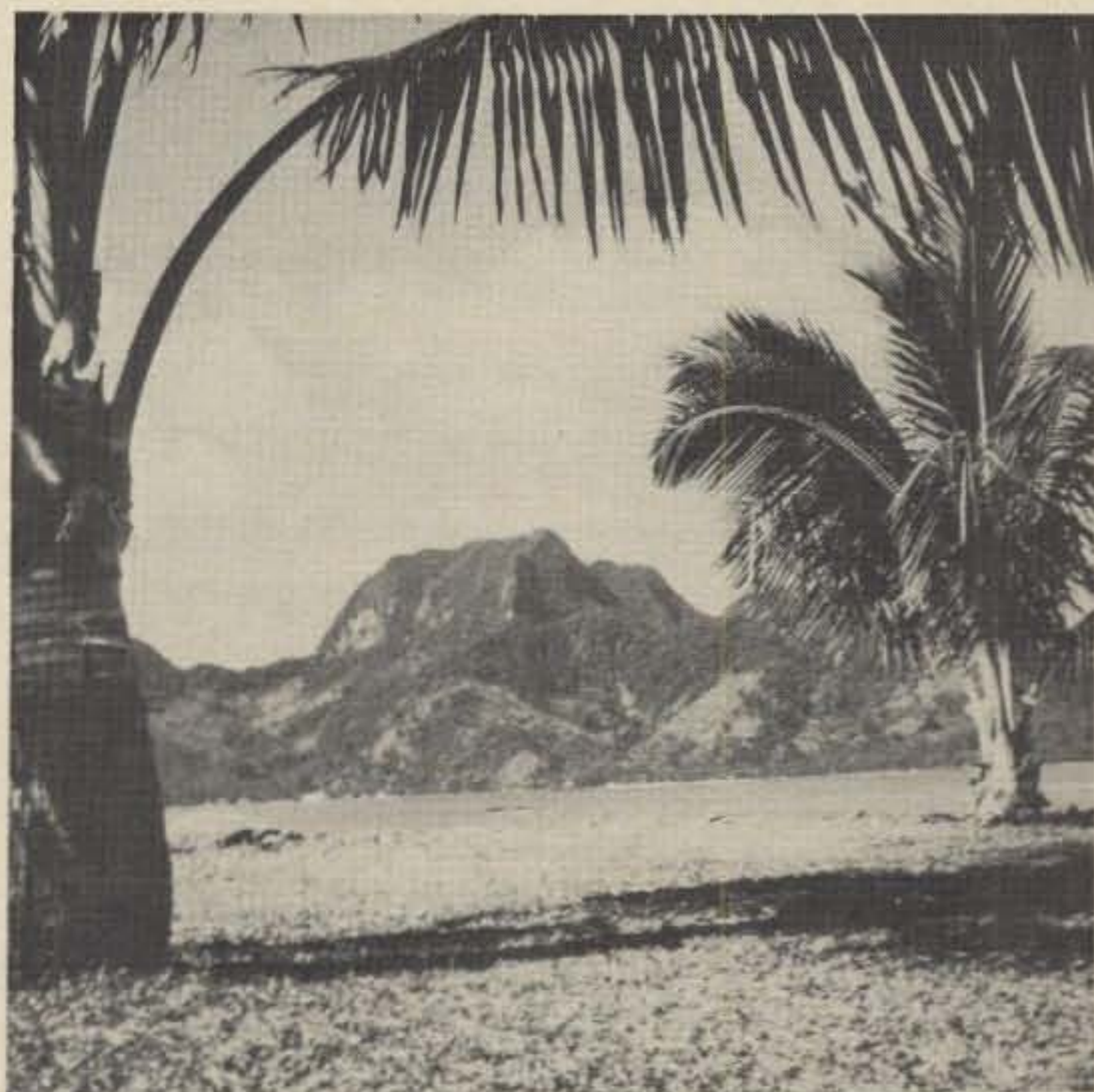
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The Pacific offers many delightful spots for a DXpedition. Tropical climate, beautiful surroundings and great band openings to the U.S.A. The above scene was the operating position at W6UOU/KS6 in 1958.

1977 CQ World-Wide DX Contest

Phone: October 29-30 & C.W.: November 26-27
Starts 0000 GMT Sat. Ends 2400 GMT Sun.

I. OBJECTIVE: For amateurs around the world to contact other amateurs in as many zones and countries as possible.

II. BANDS: All bands, 1.8 thru 28 MHz.

III. TYPE OF COMPETITION:

1. *Single Operator (Single band and all band).* Single operator stations are those at which one person performs all of the operating, logging, and spotting functions. The use of DX spotting nets or any other form of DX alerting assistance places the station in the Multi-Operator category.

2. Multi-Operator (all band operation only).

a. Single Transmitter, only one transmitter and one band permitted during the same time period (defined as 10 minutes). *Exception:* One—and only one—other band may be used during the same time period if—and only if—the station worked is a new multiplier.

b. Multi Transmitter (no limit to transmitters but only one signal per band permitted).

IV. NUMBER EXCHANGE: Phone: RS report plus zone (i.e.: 5705). C.W.: RST report plus zone (i.e.: 57905).

A station in a call area different than that indicated by its call sign is required to sign portable.

V. MULTIPLIER: Two types of multiplier will be used.

1. A multiplier of one (1) for each different zone contacted on each band.

2. A multiplier of one (1) for each different country contacted on each band.

Stations are permitted to contact their own country and zone for multiplier credit. The CQ Zone Map, DXCC country list, WAE country list and WAC boundaries are standards.

VI. POINTS: 1. Contacts between stations on different continents are worth three (3) points.

2. Contacts between stations on the same continent but different countries, one (1) point. *Exception:* For North American stations *only*, contacts between stations within the North American boundaries count two (2) points.

3. Contacts between stations in the same country are permitted for zone or country multiplier credit but have zero (0) point value.

VII. SCORING: All stations: the final score is the result of the total QSO points multiplied by the sum of your zone and country multiplier.

Example: 1000 QSO points \times 100 multiplier (30 Zones + 70 Countries) = 100,000 (final score).

VII. AWARDS: First place certificates will be awarded in each category listed under Sec. III in every participating country and in each call area of the United States, Canada, Australia and Asiatic USSR.

All scores will be published. To be eligible for an award a Single Operator station must show a minimum of 12 hours of operation. Multi-operator stations must operate a minimum of 24 hours. A single-band log is eligible for a single-band award *only*. If a log contains more than one band it will be judged as an all-band entry, unless specified otherwise.

In countries or sections where the returns justify, 2nd and 3rd place awards will be made.

All certificates will be issued to the licensee of the station used.

IX. TROPHIES & PLAQUES: Handsome awards will be made to the highest scoring stations in the following categories.

Single Operator, All Band Trophy Donors

World—Phone. (Bill Leonard, W2SKE)

World—C.W. (Larry LeKashman, W2AB)

USA—Phone. (Potomac Valley Radio Club)

USA—C.W. (Frankford Radio Club)

Canada—Phone. (Jack Baldwin, VE3BS)

Canada—C.W. (Canadian DX Association)

Europe—Phone. (W4BVV Operators)

Europe—C.W. (W3AU Operators)

Carib./C.A.—Phone. (Don Wallace, W6AM)

Carib./C.A.—C.W. (Don Wallace, W6AM)

Africa—Phone. (Gordon Marshall, W6RR)

Africa—C.W. (Gordon Marshall, W6RR)

Asia—Phone. (Japan CQ Magazine)

Asia—C.W. (Japan CQ Magazine)

Oceania—Phone. (No. Calif. DX Club)

Oceania—C.W. (Maui Amateur Radio Club)

Single Operator, Single Band Trophy Donors.

World—Phone. K2HLB Memorial Trophy.

(North Jersey DX Assoc.)

World—C.W. W2JT Memorial Trophy.

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World—3.5 MHz Phone. (Fred Capossela)

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World—3.5 MHz C.W. (Fred Capossela)

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Canada—Phone. (Gene Krehbiel, VE7KB)

Carib./C.A.—Phone. (Pedro Piza, Jr. KP4AST)

So. America—Phone. (Brazil DXers)

Oceania—14 MHz Phone. VK3JW Memorial.

(International Pacific DX Net)

Europe—14 MHz C.W. G2LB Memorial.

(From His Friends)

Year 1976
World Wide DX Contest
 Last Full Weekend of October (Phone) & November (CW)

Call Sign W6DHF USA Country
 Single Operator: Phone Single Band CW
 Multi-Operator (All Band Only): Single Transmitter Multi-Transmitter

QSO's (times designated)	QSO Points	Zone Multiplier	Country Multiplier	Score
1.8 mc 3	112	3	1	336
3.5 mc 46	130	19	30	702
7.0 mc 49	455	15	23	1573
14 mc 164	1714	33	67	3458
21 mc 575	495	31	69	10500
28 mc 175	129	27	54	1512
All Bands 1013	2913	129	249	7,100,114

How to score: QSO Points X (Zones + Countries) = FINAL SCORE
 EXAMPLE: 1000 QSO Points X (30 Zones + 70 Countries) = 100,000 points

Station Description W6DHF-1 754-3

Antennas 2 el 40 4 el 20 2 el 15 5 el 10
2 el 20 2 el 15 2 el 10 15 el 10

Operators _____

Remarks (Biggest thrill in Contest, special story, comments, etc.) Repeat sent 5753, Received 5725, excellent information on contest

Club Competition (Minimum 3 logs) Southern California DX Club

This is to certify that in this contest I have operated my transmitter within the limitations of my license and have observed fully the rules and regulations of the contest.

Type or Print (Signature) Richard J. Meyer

Name Richard J. Meyer GR W6DHF

Address 4130 N. G Street, Huntington, IN

City Huntington

State or Country Indiana Zip 46785

Logs must be postmarked no later than December 1st for PHONE and January 15th for CW. Indicate PHONE or CW on envelope.

Sample Summary Sheet

- USA—Phone. (Southern Calif. DX Club)
 - USA—C.W. (Northern Illinois DX Assoc.)
 - Multi-Operator, Single Trans. Trophy Donors**
 - World—Phone. (John Knight, W6YY)
 - World—C.W. (Anthony Susen, W3AOH)
 - Canada—Phone (Calgary A. R. A.)
 - Multi-Operator, Multi Transmitter Donors**
 - World—Phone. (Radio Club Venezolano)
 - World—C.W. (Hazard Reeves, K2GL)
 - USA—Phone. (Dale Hoppe, K6UA)
 - USA—C.W. (Rush Drake, W7RM)
 - Contest Expedition Trophy Donors**
 - World—Phone, Single Operator. (Stuart Meyer, W2GHK)
 - World—C.W., Single Operator. K2HLB Memorial. (Don Miller, W9WNV)
 - World—Phone, Multi-Operator. (Bill Schneider, K2TT/K2UYG)
 - World—C.W., Multi-Operator. (Bill Schneider, K2TT/K2UYG)
- Trophy winners may win the same trophy only once within a three year period. (This does not apply to any of the CQ Special Awards.)
 The Canadian, Carib./C.A. and the African awards are for residents only.
 A resident is defined as one living in that country with an established Post Office address.

X. CLUB COMPETITION: CQ will award a handsome plaque to the club submitting the highest aggregate score of the phone and c.w. scores submitted by its members.

World Wide DX Contest Page 2 of 15 Pages
 Last Full Weekend of October (Phone) & November (CW)

Call Sign W6DHF Phone CW Log for 21 MC fund

TIME GMT	STATION	SERIAL NUMBER		INDICATE MULTIPLIERS ONLY		QSO POINTS
		SENT	RECEIVED	ZONE	COUNTRY	
1705	E3MCT	58405	57919	19	2	3
1708	DL5PY	579	5714		DL	3
1711	DP2JTD	579	5714		DM	3
1720	L354F	579	5714	16	USS	3
1721	W2WY	579	5714	05	W	0
1725	W4RJ	569	5714			3
1732	ZHSRC	579	5715	15	CH	3
1740	VK5L	579	5714	04	VE	2
1745	DL6W5	559	5814			3
1747	YU2DD	529	5714	10	YU	3
1750	M2YHF	589	5814		484	3
1815	W4B6D	579	5714	03		0
1717	K1YFZ	579	5714	115	K1Y	2
1719	YV3BPJ	579	5714	09	YV	3
1725	W4W4F	559	5514			0
1731	KH64J	589	5731	31	KH6	3
1732	J454M	569	7725	25	J4	3
1735	J434L2	379	5635			3
1738	ZH1RC1	575	37525			3
1740	NL1PT	589	5750	01	NL1	2
1743	UH8BH	579	5815			3
1747	H017E	579	5814		H01	3
1749	L43D2	579	5714		L43	3
1750	M2YHF	589	5714		DL7E	0
1752	G3FXD	579	5714			3
1800	P10CC	579	5714		PJ	3
1805	ZD32	589	5714	35	ZD3	3
1817	C1664	579	5714	34	CR6	3
1820	F71F	579	5714		F	3
1822	K1YFZ	579	5714		DL7E	0
1825	OK271	579	5714			3
1828	OK271	579	5714	70	CA	2
1830	TF2672	579	5714	35	TF	3
1831	Z53CV	579	5714		Z53	3
1833	J4507	579	5714			3
1835	J434L2	569	5714		DL7E	0
1837	J710F	569	5714			3
1841	W2WY	579	5714	30	VK	2
1849	K1A248	579	37525			3
1850	I2W0L	569	7714	29	VSE	2
				15	25	75

Sample Log Sheet

- The club must be a local group and not a national organization.
 - Participation is limited to members operating within a local geographic area, (except for DX-peditions especially organized for operation in the contest and manned by members.)
 - To be listed, a minimum of 3 logs must be received from a club and an officer of the club must submit a list of participating members and their scores, both on phone and c.w.
- XI. LOG INSTRUCTIONS:**
- All times must be in GMT.
 - Indicate zone and country multiplier only the FIRST TIME it is worked on each band.
 - Logs must be checked for duplicate contacts, correct QSO points and multipliers, and recycled logs must be in their original form with corrections clearly shown.
 - Use a separate sheet for each band.
 - Each entry must be accompanied by a Summary Sheet showing all scoring information, category of competition, contestant's name and address in BLOCK LETTERS and a signed declaration that all contest rules and regulations for amateur radio in the country of operation have been observed.
 - Official log and summary sheets and zone maps are available from CQ. A large self-addressed envelope with sufficient postage or IRC's must accompany your request.
- If official forms are not available, make up your own by following the samples shown, 40 contacts to the page on 8½"x11" paper.



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80-40 HD	80/40 + 15	57.50	41/1.15	69/21.0
75-40 HD	75/40	55.00	40/1.12	66/20.1
75-40 HD (SP)	75/40	57.50	40/1.12	66/20.1
75-20 HD	75/40/20	66.50	44/1.23	66/20.1
75-20 HD (SP)	75/40/20	66.50	44/1.23	66/20.1
75 10 HD	75/40/20/15/10	74.50	48/1.34	66/20.1
75-10 HD (SP)	75/40/20/15/10	74.50	48/1.34	66/20.1
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7. All entrants are required to submit cross-check (dupe) sheets for each band on which 200 or more QSO's were made. All other entrants are encouraged to submit dupe sheets.

8. For each duplicate contact that is removed from a log by the committee, a penalty of three additional contacts will be exacted.

XII. DISQUALIFICATION: Violation of amateur radio regulations in the country of the contestant, or the rules of the contest, unsportsmanlike conduct; taking credit for excessive duplicate contacts; unverifiable QSO's or unverifiable multipliers will be deemed sufficient cause for disqualification. (In-

correctly logged calls will be counted as unverifiable contacts.

Disqualification can also result in the disqualified operator(s) being barred from competition in all CQ contests for a period of up to three years.

Actions and decisions of the CQ Contest Committee are official and final.

XIII. DEADLINE: All entries must be postmarked NO LATER than December 1, 1977 for the Phone section and January 15, 1978 for the C.W. section. Indicate phone or c.w. on envelope. Logs go to:

CQ WW Contest Committee
14 Vanderventer Avenue
Port Washington, L.I., N.Y. USA 11050

CQ Reviews:

The Heathkit GH-17A

Soldering Iron Kit

BY ALAN M. DORHOFFER*, K2EEK

What can you say that is glamorous or exciting about a soldering iron. It works or it doesn't work? It looks nice and is easy to use? Well the same could be said for many other irons on the market but I don't recall any irons that come in kit form. That's right a soldering iron kit.

The Heathkit GH-17A soldering iron kit is also unique in that you can use the kit to build the kit, as you go along. Obviously if you didn't have a soldering iron before, you'd need something to solder the connections in building this kit. Under the "Special Soldering Instructions" section in the manual they explain how to complete the soldering iron kit using the kit itself.

The kit is quite simple to wire and assemble and takes about an hour from the time you open the box to the time you can solder your first connection.

The iron operates off of a 6 volt transformer and has a nominally rated 25 watt element. A front panel switch selects three heat ranges; Low (2 watts), Med. (22 watts), and High (24 watts), plus an Off position. A neon indicator glows at different intensities for the three ranges. There is a heavy-duty six foot cord attached to the iron and a heavy-duty six foot three-wire power cord.

The iron heats up in about a minute or so and can be stored in a bracket on top of the cabinet between soldering jobs. A hood (see photo) over the cabinet protects you and other burnable objects from the iron while it is not in actual use. The bracket also has a cut-out that will hold the iron-handle stationary, with the tip extended from the rear of the hood, so that you can bring work to the iron and in effect have a "third hand" at the ready.

The cabinet measures 5 $\frac{1}{8}$ "x3 $\frac{5}{8}$ "x5 $\frac{1}{2}$ " and the completed unit weighs 3 pounds. Four rubber feet

keep the iron assembly from sliding over the bench when in use.

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The Heathkit GH-17A Soldering Iron

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Over the next few months, Herb Friedman will ease us over the hurdles into the realm of computers. This first installment goes into some of the language used and problems that can be solved with computers.

I Think I'll Just Pass By The Computers

BY HERB FRIEDMAN*, W2ZLF

Like many other amateurs and electronics experimenters I had just about decided I could get along very nicely without getting into what has been termed *personal computing*. As a somewhat active amateur for 30 years, an amateur photographer well into color printing (with electronic color controls I home-brewed), a *Saturday auto mechanic* (as I'm called in *Popular Mechanics*), and the father of two children with similarly expensive tastes in hobbies, the very last thing in the world I needed was computer equipment. To be perfectly honest, I strongly objected to computer articles in amateur radio publications on the basis that I paid for a subscription to what professed to be an "amateur radio publication," and I expected to get amateur radio articles for my money.

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WB2AHN ready to open the station and clearing the computer for logging. The computer, a SWTP 6800 is tucked away in the basement and remote controlled from the terminal system which is a Micro-Term ACT II. The acoustic coupler on top of the ACT II keyboard is part of an internal modem that permits the terminal to talk with a rental time-share computer system via the telephone.

Fact is, if I had any serious problems in life they were all the result of a computer: My being hounded to pay a traffic fine because a computer snafued my license number with the guy who actually jumped the light; my local utility insisting I use more power in 30 days than the city of Syracuse, N.Y. uses in a year; my paycheck getting delayed 30 days — all the result of a *computer error*. (Actually, I've come to learn computer errors are generally human errors caused by the boss hiring \$2.50/hr unskilled labor to replace someone having a moderate degree of intelligence earning \$5/hr.)

Even when the Jr. Op got hooked by the high school's computer installation I resisted all entreaties for "our very own personal computer." I always had the out: (A) "If you need to use a computer so badly stay after school." (B) "I'm your father and we're not starting any new hobbies in this house."

Unfortunately, one day the Jr. Op announces he is now a *General*, and "as one amateur to another we are on an equal footing." (I will forever stop using the line "Everyone's the same age behind a telegraph key.") Even worse, he says "There's no reason for two sets of equipment and antennas. Let's share, starting with a multiband antenna."

Five pages of matching section calculations later I'm no closer to an antenna system because I'm using formulas and math I haven't used in some twenty years when the Jr. Op whips out a T.I. SR-52 calculator, pops a small magnetic card into a slot, touches a few buttons, and gives me a full set of values for OUR antenna system.

"Great calculator," I say.

"No. Great computer," he says. (At this point I had not smelled the rat.) A short, but heated discussion over what constitutes a computer (it can make a decision, a calculator cannot make a decision) led to an evening spent loading every electronic and photographic formula I knew onto mag-

netic cards. I had entered the computer age. Yes, I was kicking and screaming all the way, but I was being pulled into modern technology—I would compromise on a “programmable calculator.”

Some two weeks after WE erected OUR multi-band antenna the Jr. Op suggested we computerize our logbooks. “After all,” he says with an absolutely straight face, “Many times we QSO a station we worked a while back; forget who, what, and where, and rehash the same info. If we loaded the highlights of the contact into a computer we could instantly call up the station’s previous QSOs and have a decent discussion on problems, equipment, vacations, and the like, that we covered on earlier contacts.” (Still, I don’t smell a rat.)

“How are we going to get all that info on a programmable calculator’s magnetic card. I doubt it could even handle that type of input,” I say with absolute stupidity.

“No sweat OM. I’ll borrow a TV terminal and we’ll store the info in my school’s time-share computer. All it will cost each time we use the computer is the price of a telephone call.”

Two days later the Jr. Op has what looks like a typewriter keyboard and a small TV set on the control desk. The phone is plugged into what he calls a *modem*, and each time he punches up a call we’ve previously worked the TV indicates the call, dates of contact, reports, WX, and just about anything that junior has transferred from the logs to the computer. As we work each new contact we simply type in the appropriate or desired info and it’s all there when we write up the weekly QSLs. We also get back from the computer who did and did not QSL.

This is really living. Fact is, I’m looking forward to the next contest (and I have never been a contester). I’ll simply punch in the required info to the computer and the Jr. Op can get a printout at the school.

Think of it. A contester’s dream come true. Almost an *instant log* alphabetically organized by call areas and call, or any way you want it.

Then came the denouement. “Pop (notice, now I’m no longer the OM), *YOUR* logs are tying up all *MY* authorized computer storage and I can’t work my school problems. *YOUR* logs have got to be destroyed.” Panic! I even forget to ask how come it’s my logs that must be destroyed, not his.

“Destroy our logs (notice, to me it’s still *our* logs)? Are you insane? I’m getting back my old enthusiasm for DXing. Can’t you get more storage?” (I still haven’t seen what’s coming.)

“No way,” says Junior, who suddenly stops conversing in c.w. abbreviations. “The only way to go is with our own *personal computer*. Now I happen to have a few catalogs here . . .”

The first thing one learns from the catalogs (actually advertising in computer and amateur pub-



High speed c.w. roundtables don't leave much time for notes. Instead, WB2AHN punches in times, calls and handles as they are received and he gets a continuous readout of all desired info during the QSO. After the closing he punches in the time and the computer logs all the info for future reference. The computer then stands by for input about the next contact. If there's no reason to save the info for future use the computer can be cleared without storing any information.

lications) is that personal computers are cheap. Rock bottom costs. For less than the price of a small 2-meter beam or a frequency counter anyone can own a personal computer. Luckily, I have a Jr. Op who knows what it’s all about and he quickly points out I can blow a fast \$500 and wind up with a computer that might add 2+2. Even if I went to a grand I couldn’t keep logs, or even a fast moving checkbook. Actually, I’d get a “black” box that would wink and blink and require I learn a whole new language called “programming.” And if I couldn’t speak *programming* all that black box would do is wink and blink.

And if I couldn’t do anything worthwhile — from my point of view — with \$500 to \$1000 of computer gear, just imagine how much less I’d do with those “under \$300,” or “under \$100” computer kits.

“Okay, Junior. What will we need so I can talk to the damn thing in english like I see them do at the airline ticket counters? Like we did when you had our logs stored in your school’s time-share computer?”

“Basically, OM (hey, I’m the OM again), we need computing equipment that already contains something we call a *higher language*, something which accepts and responds to commands typed or otherwise entered in the English language. Since we’re interested in handling electronic problems and data (our logs), we need a computer loaded with a language called BASIC. There are actually several versions of BASIC; since electronic formulas involve exponentiation and trig functions we will need a computer capable of handling what is known as 8K BASIC.”

If you have no idea what I’m talking about take heart, because I felt the same way after Junior finished. I hadn’t the vaguest knowledge of what

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BASIC was, let alone 8K BASIC. As I've come to learn, there are many BASICs: Micro BASIC, Mini BASIC, 4K BASIC, 8K BASIC, 12K BASIC, DEC Extended BASIC, etc., etc. There's also languages called FORTRAN, COBOL, PL/1, APL, etc., etc., etc. I've got enough trouble handling BASIC, and since it handles just about everything for the electronics hobbyist it's the one to use. Also, many hobby computers assume you're a flaming programming genius and provide no higher language for their system. A few computers, from the larger outfits, provide some form of BASIC, so BASIC it is.

Anyway, Junior has led me down a tortuous, twisted trail of personal computer equipment. Each time I faltered and fell back on the routine "I've had it. I got along for 30 years in electronics and amateur radio without computers and can do so for another 30 years," Junior simply smiled and came back with, "Remember, that 1978 car you want with the *lean burn* engine will have an 8080 or 6800 microprocessor to run it, so you might as well know what it's all about or you're going to pay a lot of loot for a simple tune-up you could do yourself in about 15 minutes IF YOU KNEW HOW A MICROPROCESSOR (microcomputer) WORKED." (And to think, they teach all this in High School. In my day I was only allowed to build a crystal set in the "Radio Course," which required physics as a prerequisite.)

Now many of you who have read this far might also feel it is possible to get along in amateur radio

without computers, and I would not be likely to argue if it weren't for a news release that came in today. According to this release, Texas Instruments has introduced a \$300+ a.m./s.s.b. CB transceiver that uses a *microprocessor* for s.s.b. tracking. No more "clarifier" or RIT. The received signal can drift up and down the band and the receiving station automatically tracks the signal. Also, microprocessor control is used for digital bandwidth processing. No matter how you look at it this CB rig has a built in computer, and anyone who doesn't see these features as part of the next generation of amateur gear is missing the handwriting on the wall.

The computer, personal or otherwise, is upon amateur radio and it is quite likely your next rig will come complete with a *data terminal*.

So when you start to see *computer* articles in CQ don't feel you're not getting 100% amateur value for your dollar. As a matter of fact, when phone first came along many *brass pounders* protested its coverage in the pioneer radio magazines, and when s.s.b. arrived on the bands many a.m.ers similarly protested space given it by the modern amateur publications.

Each new technology has become an important and significant part of amateur radio, *personal computers* is simply the latest in a long chain that stretches back to a lucky spark transmission across the *big pond*. ■

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BY ALAN M. DORHOFFER*, K2EEK

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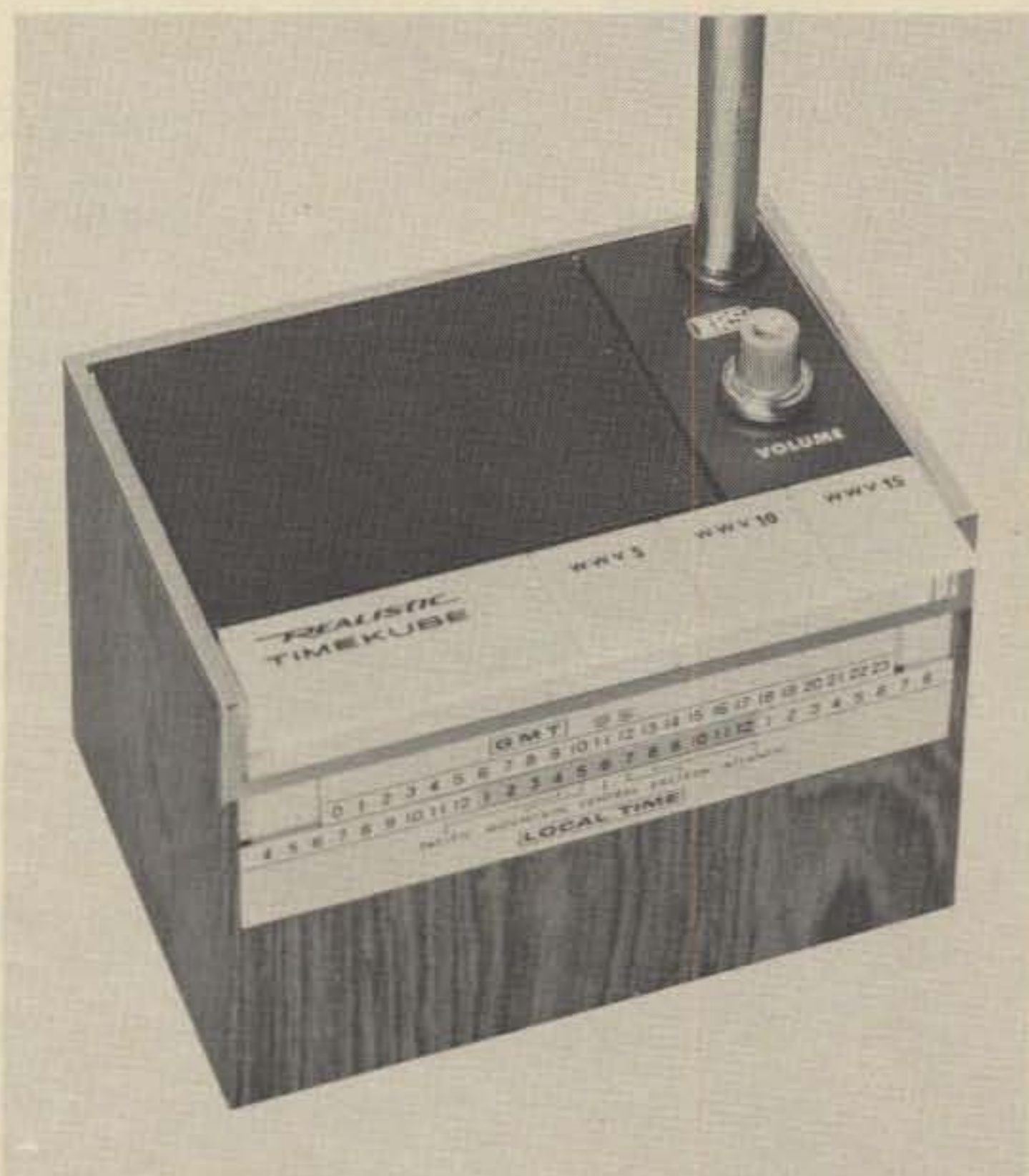
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Reception is quite good here on 15 MHz with the telescoping antenna and no attempt was made to use an external antenna. WWV comes through loud and clear. It's quite a nice addition to the shack.

The 12-159 Timekube® comes complete with crystals, battery and manual. The front panel has a sliding time scale which you can set up for converting GMT to your particular local time. The attractive cabinet is finished in simulated rosewood. The receiver measures 3 1/8" x 4 1/2" x 3 1/2". There is also a CHV version available in the Northeastern USA and Canada (12-158).

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The Radio Shack Timekube® should be available at most of your local Radio Shack stores. If not, write to them at: Radio Shack, 2617 West 7th Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76107. It may be a radio with only three stations (and the programming is rather repetitious) but it's well worth the investment if you consider the time you save. ■

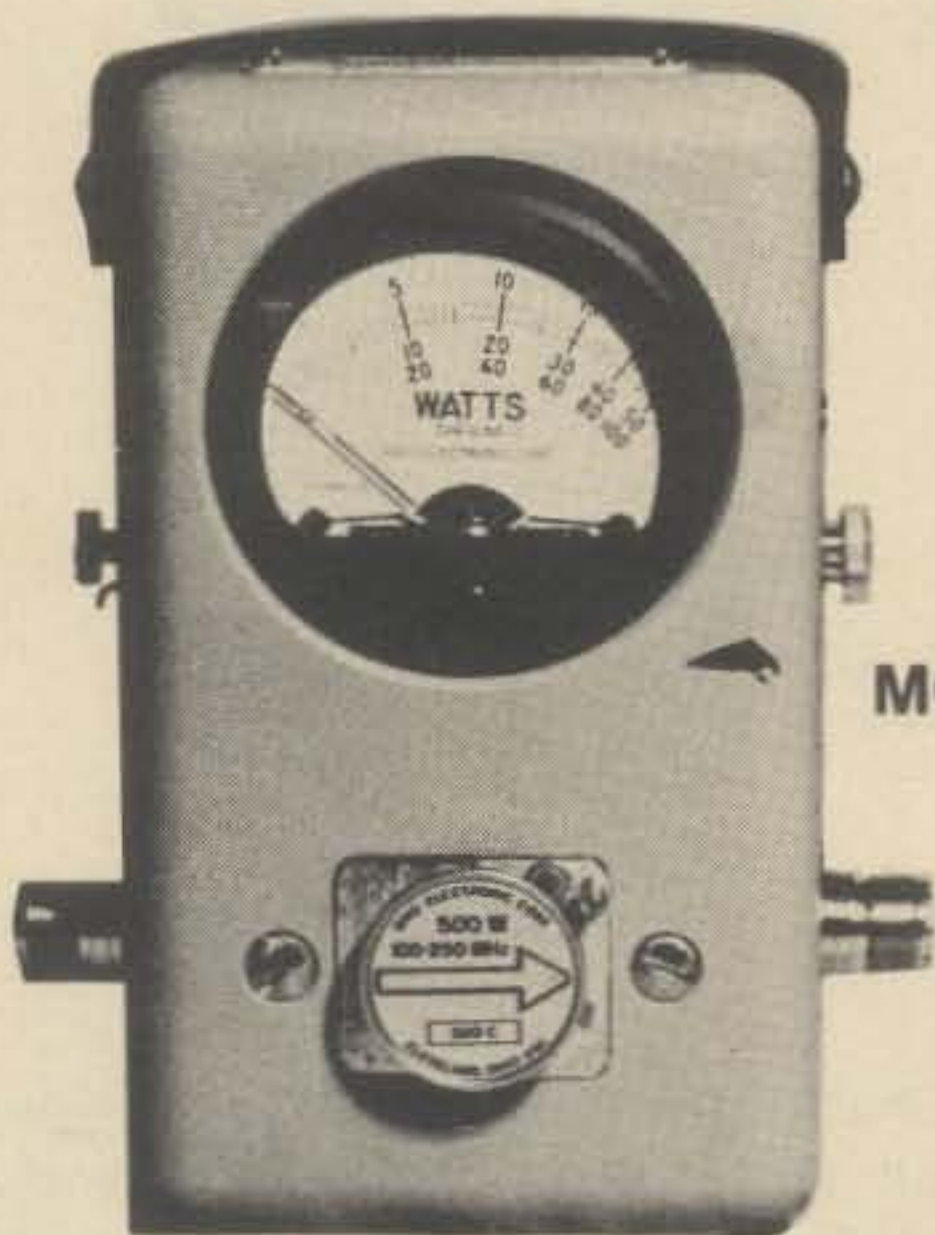


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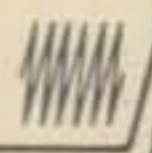
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100 watts	100H	100A	100B	100C	100D	100E
250 watts	250H	250A	250B	250C	250D	250E
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110-160 MHz	110-1	150-250 MHz	150-2
150-250 MHz	150-1	200-300 MHz	200-2
200-300 MHz	200-1	250-450 MHz	250-2
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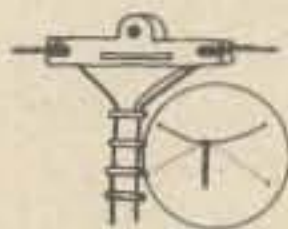
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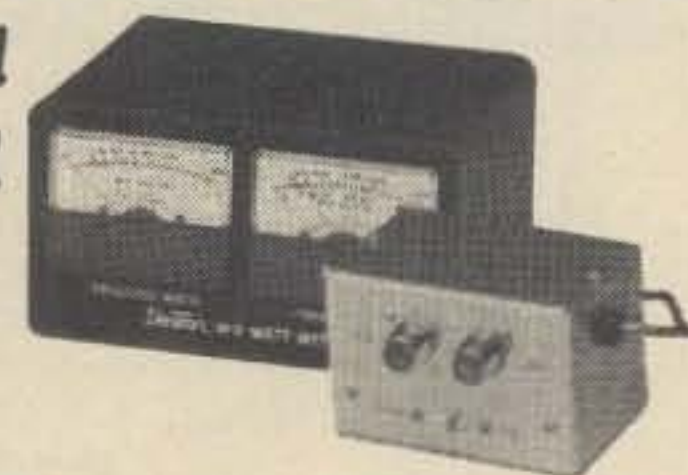


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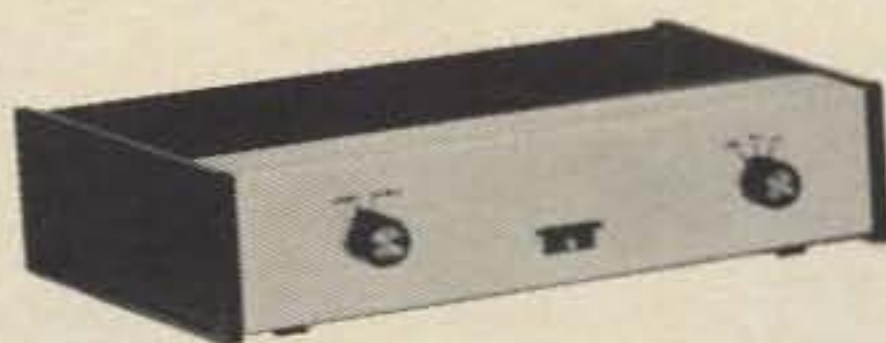
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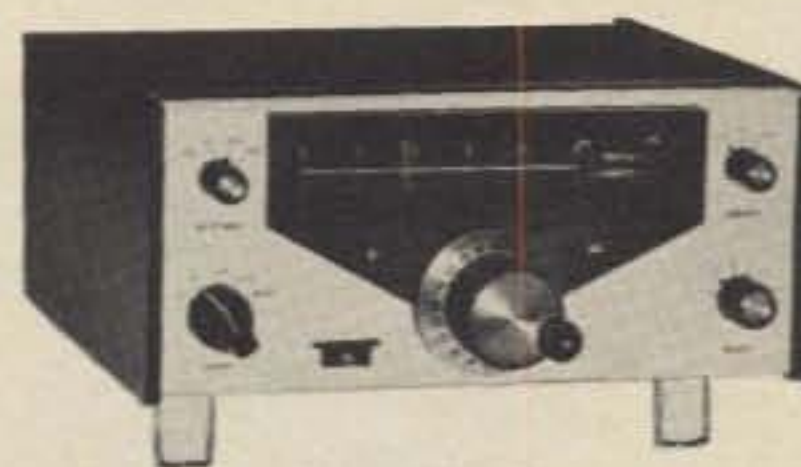
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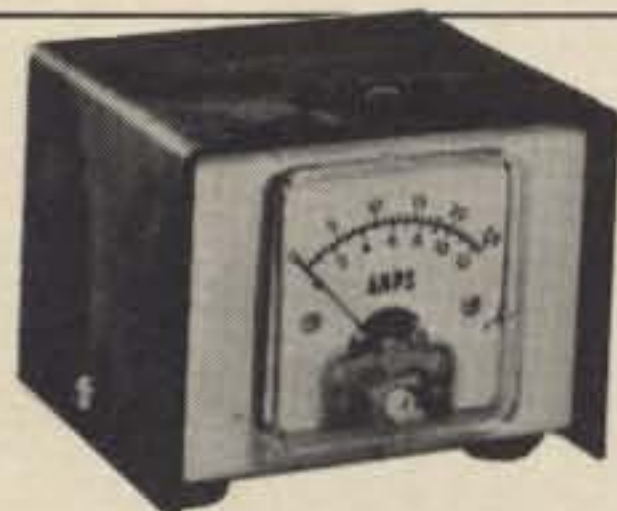
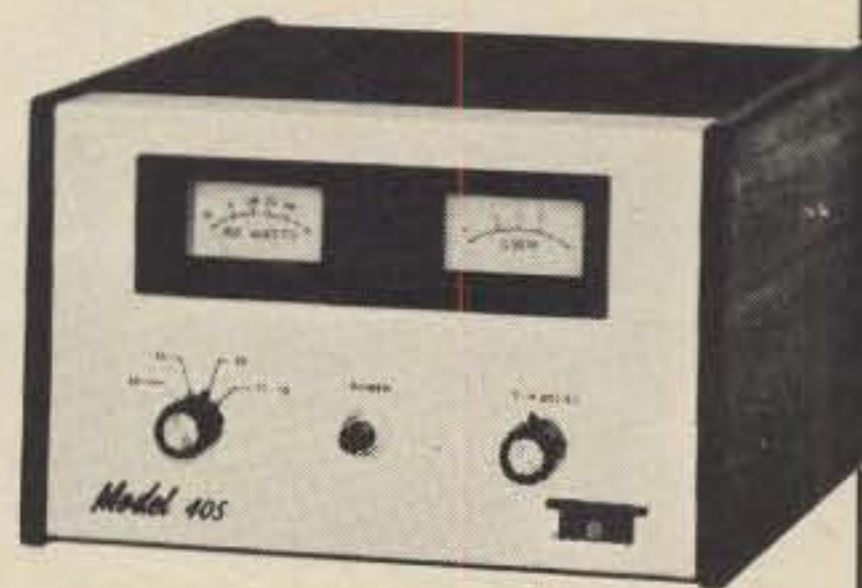
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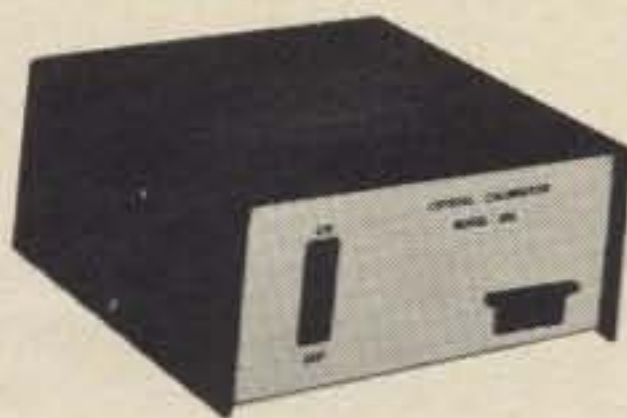
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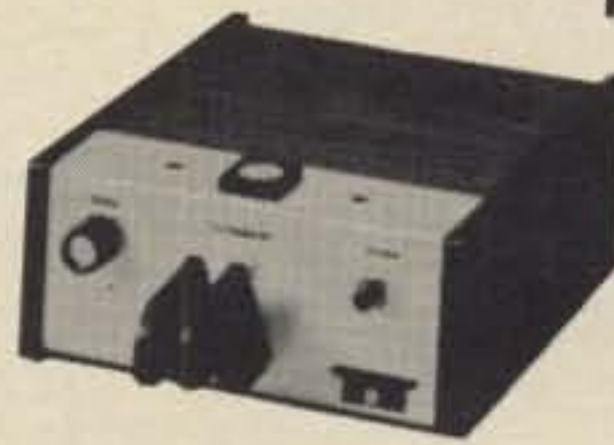


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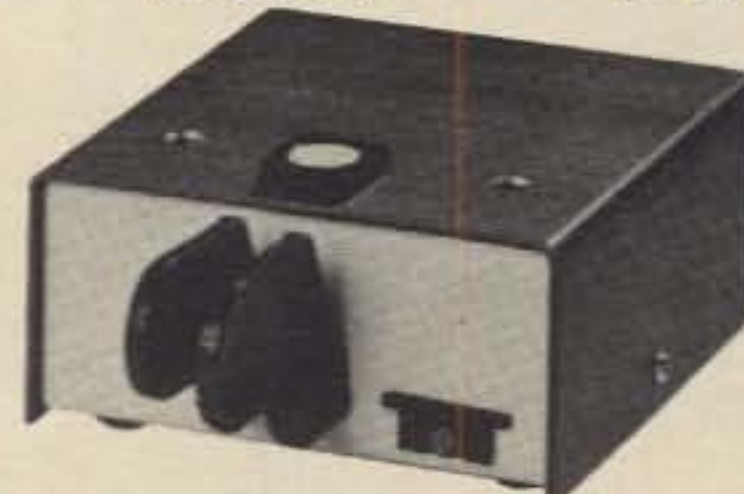
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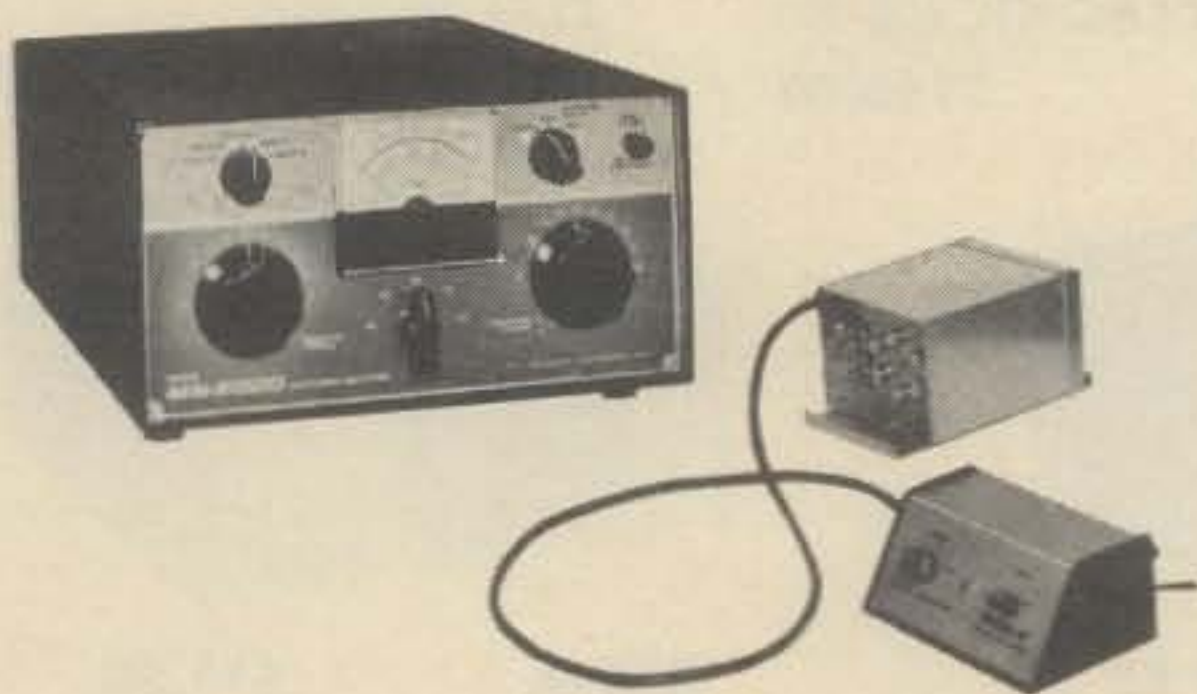
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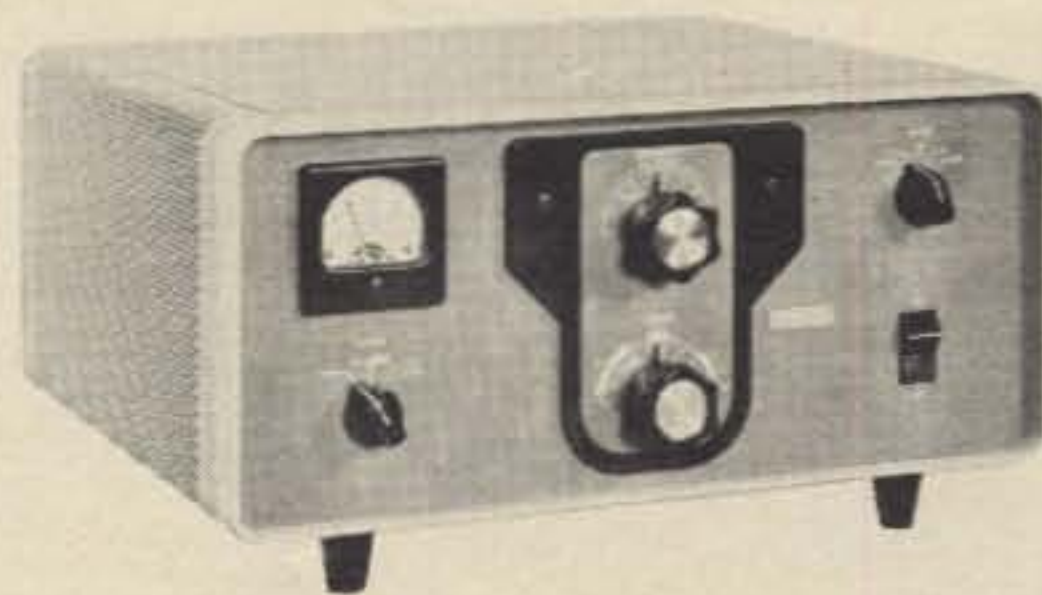
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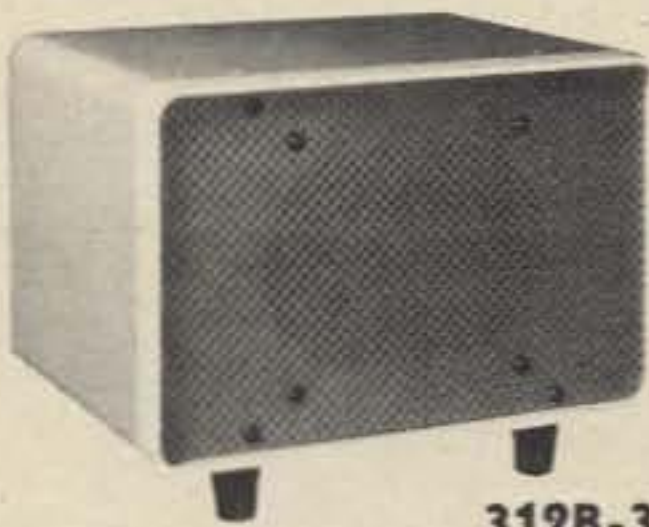
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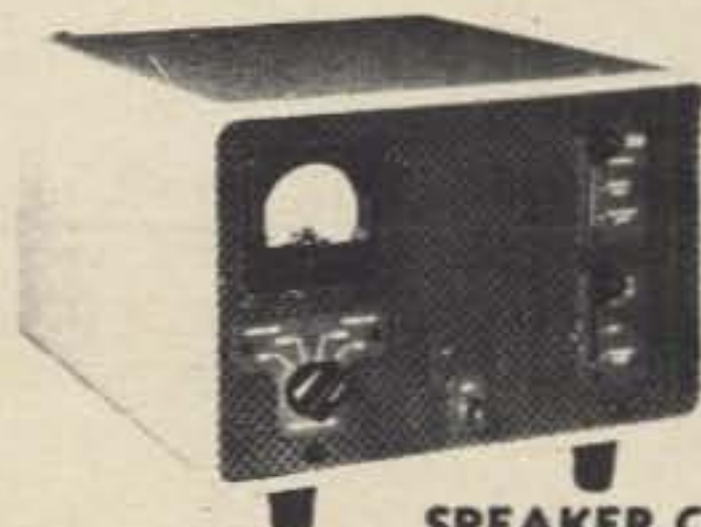
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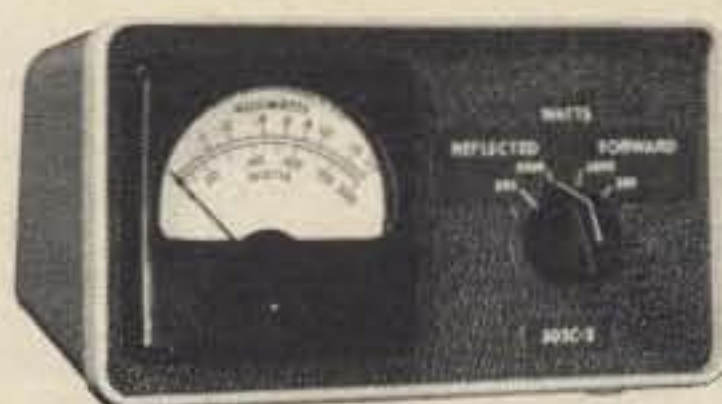
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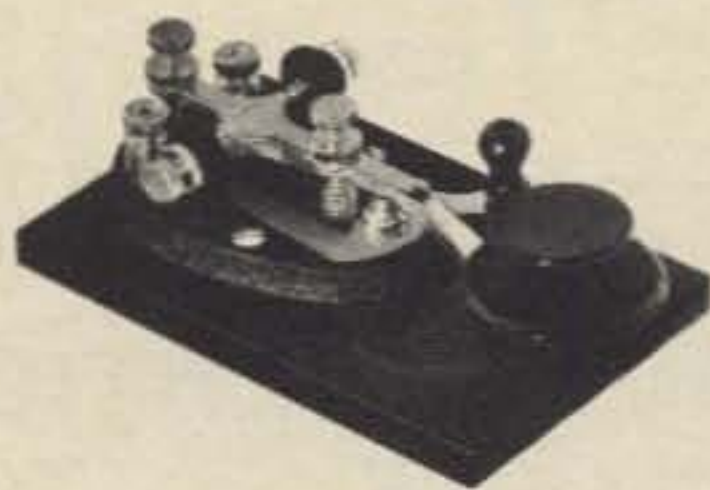
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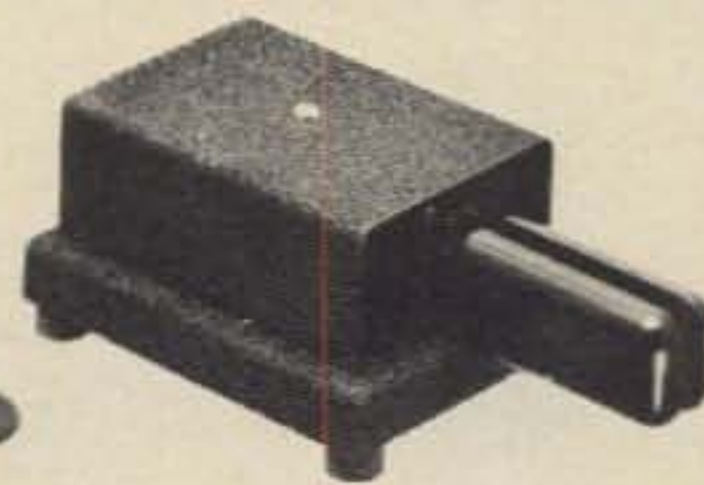
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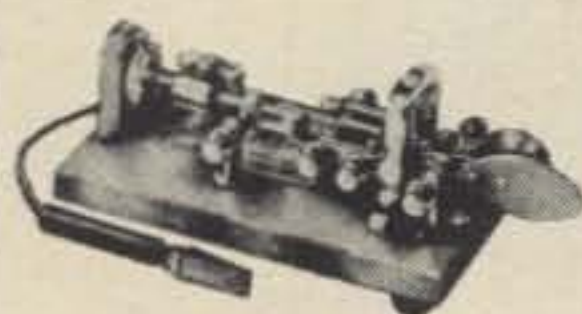
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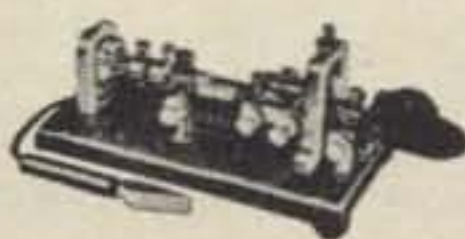
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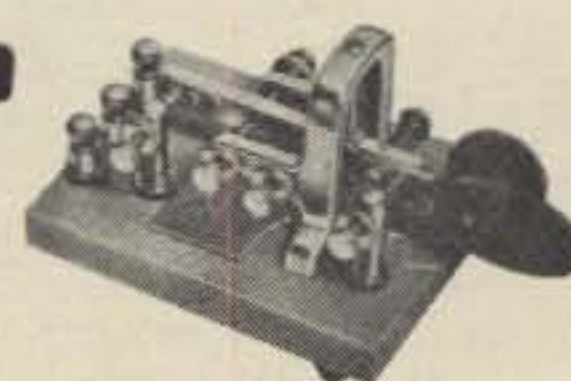
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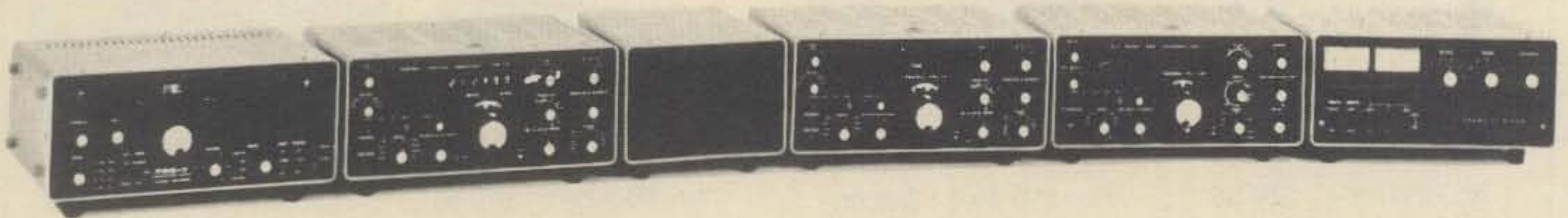
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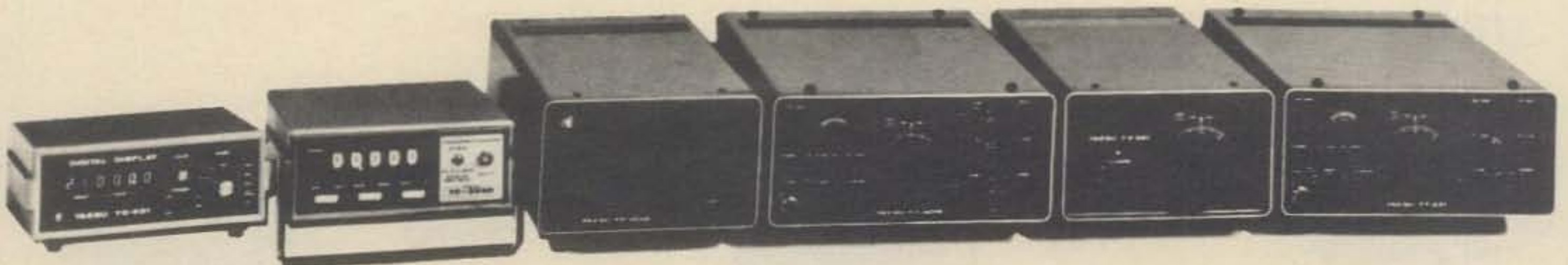
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Left to right - FT-620B, 6 Meter Transceiver • YP-150, Dummy Load Wattmeter • YO-100, Monitor Scope • FTV-250, 2 Meter Transverter • FTV-650, 6 Meter Transverter • FV-101B, External VFO • FT-101E 160-10 M Transceiver



Left to right - YC-601, Digital Frequency Display • YC-355D, Frequency Counter • FP-301, AC Power Supply • FT-301S Digital, All Solid State Transceiver • FV-301, External VFO • FT-221, 144-148 All Solid State All Mode Transceiver

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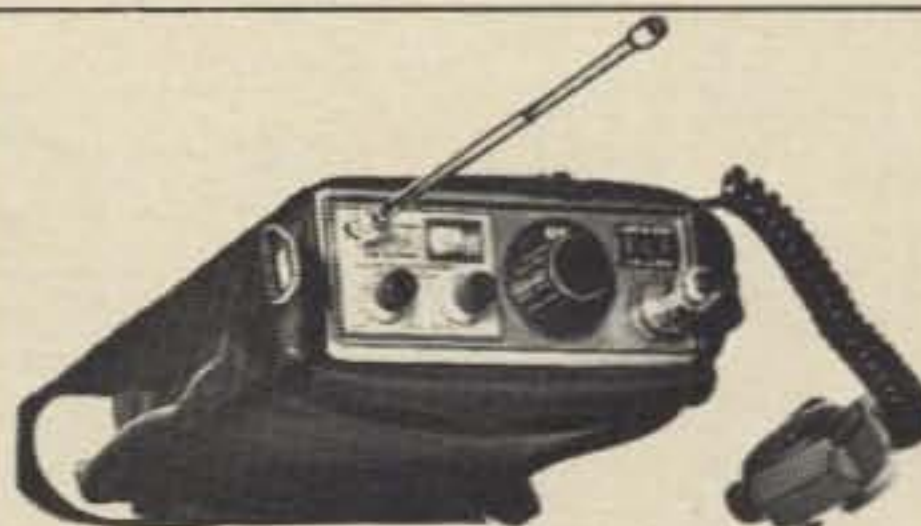


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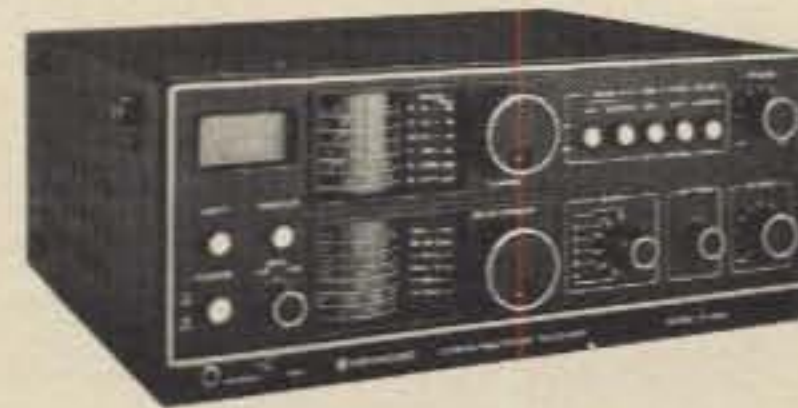
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1976 CQ World-Wide DX Contest C.W. Results

BY LARRY BROCKMAN*, N6AR (ex WA6EPQ) AND BOB COX†, K3EST

CQ's yearly Thanksgiving present to c.w. DXers and contesters alike seems to have been welcomed with the usual overwhelming enthusiasm. A record 2060 logs were received for this year's event, up 6% over last year. Even more astounding, a phenomenal 2 world records, 17 continental records, and 6 USA records were set, more than twice the number set last year, despite generally mediocre band conditions. As one contester wrote to us, "The contest seems to open the bands each year". Indeed it does, and even the ten meter band showed signs of real life, as evidenced in C5AZ's 28 MHz log. Although an all band entry, Ville racked up 293 contacts and 49 countries on the band everyone thought was dead. We all better take a careful look down there next year to catch those fleeting openings and elusive multipliers.

All Band Honors

The 3.7M top world-wide single operator effort by KP4AST (operated by Chip, K7VFP), set a new world record in one of the hottest competitions in WW test history. Breathing right down his neck were C5AZ, operated by Ville, OH2MM, at 3.6 M, and 9Y4VT, operated by Dick, W6DGH (now N6AA) at 3.45M. But cheer up Ville, a consolation prize awaits—the new African continental record, and the knowledge that your score also bested the old world record, one set by your old friend OH2BH at ZD3X.

Even closer was the battle for this year's Multi-Single top honors, with the three top stations finishing within only 46,000 points out of almost 4 Million. By just a whisker (15,000 points) PJ9MM, operated by W1GNC, W3ZZ, WB3GSV, and W8FAW, a joint venture of the PVRC and Murphy's Marauders, edged 9Y4A, operated by W2DXL, W2AX, W2ER,

W2GC, W2GGE, and K2LE representing the Royal Order of Boiled Owls. Third in the competition was ZD8W, operated by WA4 TLB, KP4EAJ, and KP4EKI, who trailed second place by just 31,000 points. PJ9MM pulled it out with a few extra contacts, as 9Y4A had the multiplier edge by virtue of their 160 Meter band score. ZD8W's incredible 15 meter contact total (1808 contacts) wasn't enough to compensate for the overall balance in the other two efforts.

Our congratulations to UK9AAN, operated by Sam, UA9AN, and fellow Chelyabinsk Institute Club members UA9ABA, UA9ACZ, UA9AEN, UV9AX, and UW9BY, in their first ever officially sanctioned USSR Multi-Multi effort. The boys from the Urals racked up a new Asian Multi-Multi record of 4.9M to top a close pack of US entrants led by W3WJD, W3AU, and W4BVV in that order. It looks like the stage is now set for some fierce but friendly East/West Multi-Multi competitions in the future.

The USA top all band score was that of W3LPL, Frank, who did it for the second year in a row. This time PVRC club member Frank captured the all time USA record from arch-rival Frankford Radio Club member W3WJD. Could this entice Sigge to abandon the Multi-Multi category for a new try at his old record?

One of the up and coming superstations, AA5LES, operated by WA5LES, K5LWL, WB5IZN, WB5OOW, WA5ZNY, WA5WCT and KL7IDH, captured this year's USA Multi-Single category with a fine 2.2 M point score, an all time USA record. Multi-Multi honors went to W3WJD, operated by Sigge himself and K3YUA, WA3LRU, and W3IFG.

The Frankford Radio Clubs joy over this victory was no consolation in the face of the club competition results. This year the PVRC ran away with it with a whopping 58 M points, an 18 M point edge over the runner up Frankford contingent. In the DX Club category the Rhein-Ruhr Club finished first once again with 23 million points.

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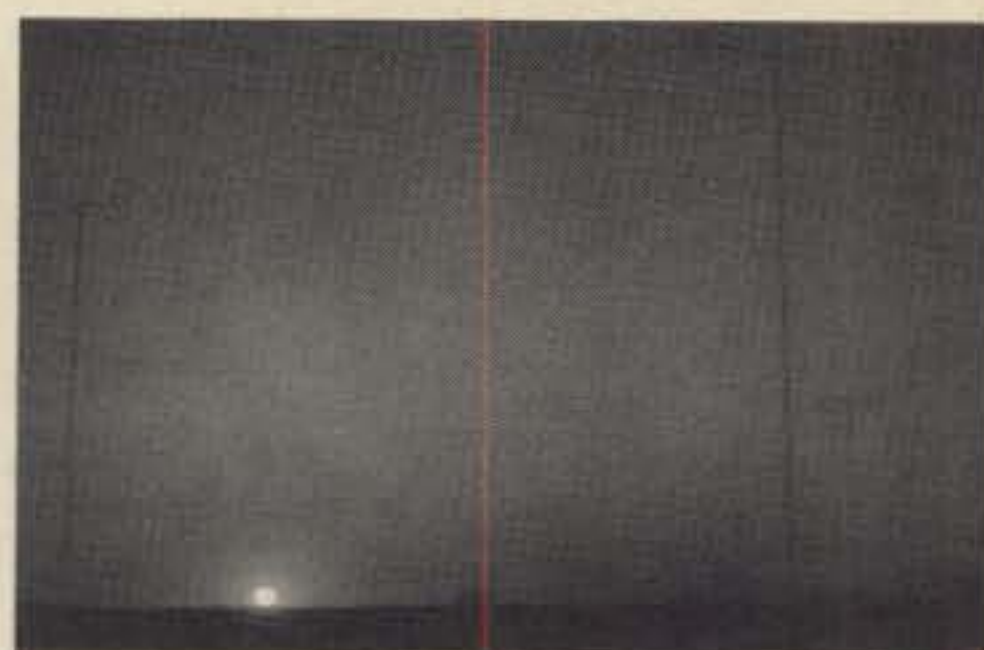
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FB8XO's QSL manager Bob, F6CRT sends along this photo of one of the juiciest multipliers to show up in the contest.



K5LWL and AA5LES, the brand new owners of the USA Multi-Single record are seen here seated at the operating position of the station they jointly own (right) with their antennas shown on the left.



Low power enthusiast OA8V shows us how he relaxes after the contest deep in the Peruvian jungles.



Luis Matho, CX1EK/W4 operating CW3BR during the CQ WW CW Contest.



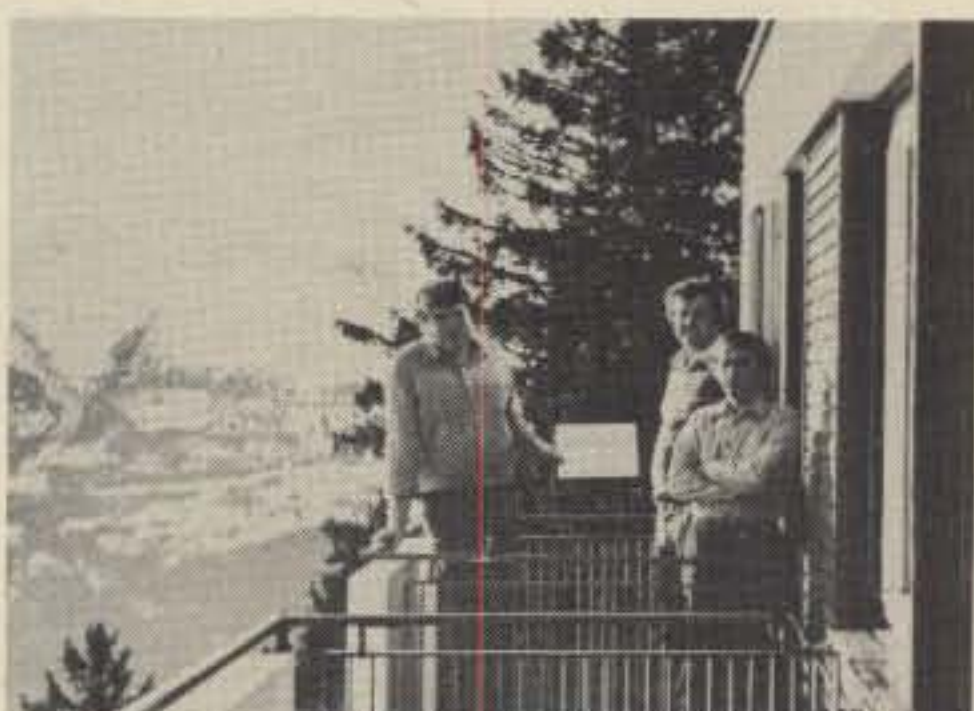
Dave Goldstein, 4X4UH, decides to do a little SSB operation after that single band 14 MHz entry in the CW contest.



Charlie (6W8FP) and Ville (C5AZ) are shown in the shack of 6W8A discussing propagation from West Africa.



Some of K6BCE's antennas are shown here but shortly before the big wind of November, 1976.



The crew at HB0AZD shows why the alpine location can help on propagation.



QRP contester WA6VNR put VP2MNR on this year, and ZF1JH in 1974.



One of the most active South American contesters, OA4AHA, shown at his rig.



The QTH used by Ville at C5AZ- what a score on 28MHz with that setup, Ville.



JA2HLX used this fine 5 element yagi to take 14 MHz honors in Japan.

BAND-BY-BAND BREAKDOWN — TOP ALL BAND SCORES

Number groups indicate: QSO's//Countries on each band.

WORLD TOP SINGLE OPERATOR — ALL BAND								USA TOP SINGLE OPERATOR — ALL BAND							
Station	160	80	40	20	15	10		Station	160	80	40	20	15	10	
KP4AST	66/11/21	331/16/59	814/27/75	1083/27/81	981/23/77	70/14/21		W3LPL	20/8/17	111/18/58	273/27/70	475/30/108	248/23/81	22/11/17	
C5AZ	27/8/15	110/12/37	464/16/44	859/21/70	1331/25/75	293/18/49		W1ZM	18/7/11	224/19/67	185/19/55	509/26/72	261/24/71	3/3/3	
9Y4VT	71/5/6	340/15/52	606/16/49	1163/26/65	1072/20/61	147/11/15		W2GXD	13/4/8	124/17/54	204/25/69	562/27/81	266/21/61	6/5/6	
CT4AT		421/16/61	1045/26/81	686/25/86	712/22/74	17/8/10		W6OUN	5/4/4	67/14/22	512/27/44	334/27/61	425/23/49	37/14/18	
VP2M	60/6/8	34/12/36	871/10/50	1057/22/62	805/18/52	33/9/11		K1GQ	10/4/7	82/14/43	288/24/68	542/25/83	200/19/64	8/5/6	
OA4AHA		50/11/11	237/16/26	790/24/56	958/22/58	97/9/17		K4VX	6/5/4	118/18/53	207/26/67	401/28/88	234/24/70	17/11/13	
W3LPL	20/8/17	111/18/58	273/27/70	475/30/108	248/23/81	22/11/17		K6NA	11/7/9	74/14/20	487/26/55	316/24/57	354/20/41	52/14/17	
JA1KSO		97/19/31	562/32/73	700/32/79	120/26/42	17/9/12		W4RX	11/7/9	135/19/58	156/27/68	439/30/90	221/23/67	5/5/5	
EA2IA		694/11/48	636/14/41	996/22/61	509/16/45	1/1/1		K3Z0	4/3/3	158/13/53	244/22/59	528/27/83	208/15/54	4/3/3	
ZE1JV		7/4/6	123/14/27	495/27/67	921/23/68	97/13/34		W1YK		113/15/50	188/23/64	506/26/76	209/18/61	5/4/4	

WORLD TOP MULTI-OPERATOR — SINGLE TRANSMITTER								USA TOP MULTI-OPERATOR — SINGLE TRANSMITTER							
PJ9MM		412/13/52	814/19/55	1047/27/77	994/21/66	157/15/20		AA5LES	20/9/20	130/19/50	633/30/80	566/30/96	292/27/75	29/15/28	
9Y4A	46/7/12	390/14/48	673/21/58	1121/24/75	874/23/71	135/12/20		WA8ZDF	15/8/14	101/18/60	222/27/79	711/29/102	181/23/73	15/12/14	
ZD8W	13/5/5	140/16/28	508/10/44	805/26/89	1808/24/78	111/13/16		W1ZA	10/6/10	219/15/62	110/23/55	809/27/91	279/22/78	4/4/4	
5W1AZ	3/3/3	135/12/13	577/24/29	961/31/68	1282/25/45	85/13/18		W2YD	3/2/2	178/14/55	262/26/70	726/27/92	218/20/57	7/4/6	
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PJ1AA	15/4/6	247/11/37	396/14/43	952/23/58	945/20/58	107/7/8		W3BWZ	15/7/13	109/18/57	173/27/74	607/32/103	117/24/73	14/11/13	

WORLD TOP MULTI-OPERATOR — MULTI-TRANSMITTER								USA TOP MULTI-OPERATOR — MULTI-TRANSMITTER							
UK9AAN		830/28/86	1203/33/88	1165/33/97	797/28/85			W3WJD	91/13/29	290/22/73	637/31/100	1107/33/115	419/25/95	41/12/19	
W3WJD	91/13/29	290/22/73	637/31/100	1107/33/115	419/25/95	41/12/19		W3AU	62/10/25	218/21/64	646/32/101	961/32/114	465/25/90	46/15/25	
W3AU	62/10/25	218/21/64	646/32/101	961/32/114	465/25/90	46/15/25		W4BVV	47/11/28	338/26/84	597/29/91	888/31/108	422/25/98	27/12/17	
W4BVV	47/11/28	338/26/84	597/29/91	888/31/108	422/25/98	27/12/17		K2GM	42/10/20	200/17/62	583/31/94	1038/35/116	334/24/90	23/10/13	
K2GM	42/10/20	200/17/62	583/31/94	1038/35/116	334/24/90	23/10/13		W2PV	58/10/22	256/22/68	532/27/89	1066/27/101	400/23/87	11/7/8	
W2PV	58/10/22	256/22/68	532/27/89	1066/27/101	400/23/87	11/7/8		W7RM	71/11/20	317/19/35	866/30/74	932/33/100	307/23/50	22/7/8	

Single Band Honors

The world wide high single band score was contributed by CW3BR, a great 753K 14 MHZ effort. Yet some of the thunder was stolen away by Herb, KV4FZ, who set a new World High 1.8 MHZ record of 42,800, almost doubling his own previous record. Our congratulations to runnerups VE3BMV and K1PBW who also broke the old 1.8 MHZ world record. A fierce competition developed for top 7 MHZ world honors between W5WZQ and WB5DTX (operated by W5BJA), who both smashed the old USA record held by Dave, W5WZQ. Dave came out on top by 40K with a fine 322K score. Other top world wide single band scores were YV4CB—28 MHZ, 5Z4NI—21 MHz, and VR3AH—3.5 MHZ. In the USA competition, single band winners included K5FVA—28 MHZ; W4WSF (now N4MM)—21 MHZ; K3MBF—14 MHZ; and W1MX—3.5 MHZ. W1MX, K1PBW and W5WZQ all broke old USA high single band records which they themselves previously held.

Continental Records

Besides those records already cited, many new continental records were set: EA8CR—African 1.8 MHZ record; UA9DN — Asian 14 MHZ record; PA0IHP—European 1.8 MHZ record; UA6LO—European 7 MHZ record; DJ6RX—European 14 MHZ record; KH6CHC—Oceania 1.8 MHZ record; VR3AH—Oceania 3.5 MHZ record; VK6HD—Oceania 7 MHZ record; 9Y4VT—South American single-op all band record; CT4AT—European single-op all band record; ZD8W—African multi-single record; GC4DAA—European multi-single record; and 5W1AZ—Oceania multi-single record. He who says that the sunspots have to be at peak to put in a record effort better look twice at this impressive list.

Low Point Record

Our heart goes out to those devoted operators who send in their scores each year knowing they

fall well down in the competition. Without those operations, the high scores wouldn't be possible. Yet this year in both the Phone and CW Contest, this devotion seems to have reached a new high. Two zero, yes zero, point logs were received by the committee—to our knowledge the first such entrants ever. A special word of thanks to EA2LY, CW and OX3AB, Phone who now share the record for lowest ever score for honest competition participants with 5 contacts each, but zero points.

Duplicates and Busted Callsigns

As mentioned in last month's issue with the phone results, some new rule changes are being made effective this year, the most important of which is a requirement for check sheets (dupe sheets) from all entrants for each band on which they make 200 or more QSO's. This change is a result of continued problems with busted callsigns and duplicates in the logs received by the committee—not by everyone, but by enough of the entrants to slow down log checking to a halt at times. One entrant and an incredible unremoved 20% dupe rate last year, with as many as 3 appearances of the same call on the same page! Some have suggested that we allow entrants the option of submitting their logs without dupe checking with the understanding that they are to be assessed a fixed 10% or so reduction in score to compensate. But this places the burden on the committee of checking to see who's dupe rate exceeds the fixed percent, which would still require a lot of extra work by the committee. It would also lead to ambiguities about who really won when some scores are close.

The committee feels that the burden for removing dupes rests with the entrant himself, and that to be eligible for an award, the log should be carefully checked accordingly. If one can find the time to operate the contest, surely enough time exists to check the log for dupes. It astounds us that some



One of Europe's most active contesters, Inaki, EA2IA, shows his fine shack and one of the trophies from a previous contest.



Here's the operating position at EA4BV, an all band entry from Spain this year.



G3MXJ and G3FXB helped put the GC4DAA activity together and racked up a new European Multi-Single record.



Living proof that the 9M2's are still active, Eshee, 9M2FK proudly displays his shack.



New European 14MHz single band record holder Klaus, DJ6RX, takes a quick look at the camera during the contest.



Fourth in the all band category for Sweden, SM5VB displays a neat rig and resolves to move up in the standings next year.

entrants will carefully take the time to rewrite their entire log or to computerize it, yet they do not take the time to check the log. The new dupe sheet rule becomes more and more important in the face of the significant increase in log submissions each year and in light of recent changes in the CQ publication schedule.

Requests to the CQ WW Contest Committee

We urge all of you who plan to submit requests to the committee for logs, summary sheets, and rules to do so well in advance of the contest each year—the earlier the better. Delays in response to your requests are inevitable, due to the procedure used. The requests are first bundled up and then sent to the contest directors for a response. One way to shortcut some of the delay is to mail your requests regarding the WW contest directly to one of the directors (N6AR or K3EST). Lastly, all requests must be accompanied by an adequate amount of return postage. On this last point, we urge the overseas requesters to think twice before marking their SASE's "Airmail", because not very many log sheets (only about 3 or so) can be sent overseas for the first unit air mail rate.

Credit Where Credit Is Due

The tireless efforts of the 12 CQ WW Contest Committee members should not go unrecognized. Burning the midnight oil this year over heaps of logs of all sizes, shapes and shades were: K3ZO, Fred Laun; K6NA, Glen Rattmann; N2AA, Gene Walsh; N4MM, John Kanode; N6ZZ, Phil Goetz; W3GRF, Len Chertock; N6CW, Terry Baxter; W3ZZ, Gene Zimmerman; W6BHY, Jim Neiger; W6PVB, Fred Morris; W6JPH, Larry Weaver; and WB2SQN, Dave Donnelly. Again, thanks for a job well done. A word of thanks also to our CQ Contest Chairman, Frank Anzalone, who kept us on the straight and narrow this year and provided excellent suggestions and guidance.

1977 CQ WW Contest

The rules for the 1977 CQ WW Contest and the official announcement appear in this issue. We are sure that it will prove to be the big contest event of the year. With the sunspot minimum behind us now, conditions will be on the upswing. Hope to see you all in the pileup.

73, Larry, N6AR and Bob, K3EST

C.W. TROPHY WINNERS AND DONORS

Single Operator Single Band

World 14 MHz

CW3BR (Opr. Luis D. Matho, CX1EK/W4)

Donor: No. Jersey DX Assoc. (W2JT Memorial)

Europe 14 MHz

Klaus Heintzenberg, DJ6RX

Donor: G2LB Memorial from Friends

U. S. A.

J. Dawson Ransome, K3MBF (14 MHz)

Donor: No. Illinois DX Club

Single Operator All Band

World

KP4AST (Opr. Charles H. Margelli, K7VFP)

U.S.A.

Francis J. Donovan, Jr. W3LPL

Donor: Frankford Radio Club

Europe

CT4AT (Opr. Carl G. Kratzer, WA3HRV)

Donor: W3AU Operators

Carib./C.A.

John R. Alday, KP4DKX

Donor: Don Wallace, W6AM

Canada

M. W. Muench, VO1KE

Donor: Canadian DX Association

Africa

6W8A (Opr. Charles Jones, 6W8FP)

Donor: Gordon Marshall, W6RR

Asia

Nobuyasu Itoh, JA1KSO

Donor: Japan CQ Magazine

Oceania

Peter W. Watson, ZL3GQ

Donor: Maui Amateur Radio Club

Multi-Operator Single Transmitter

World

PJ9MM (Oprs. W1GNC, W3ZZ, WB3GSV, W8FAW)

Donor: Anthony Susen, W3AOH

Multi-Operator Multi-Transmitter

World

UK9AAN (Oprs. UA9AN, UA9ABA, UA9ACZ, UA9AEN, UV9AX, UW9BY)

Donor: Hazard Reeves, K2GL

Contest Expedition Trophy

World

C5AZ (Opr. Ville Hiilesmaa, OH2MM)

Donor: K2HLB Memorial Trophy (by Don Miller, W9WNV)

WORLD TOP SCORES

Single-Op. All Band	KP4AST 3,725,836	OA4AHA 1,564,250
	C5AZ 3,580,980	W3LPL 1,538,784
	9Y4VT 3,438,644	JA1KSO 1,473,605
	CT4AT 2,809,421	EA2IA 1,444,560
	VP2M 2,151,165	ZE1JV 1,375,946

	28 MHz	7 MHz
	YV4CB 19,272	W5WZQ 322,383
	ZL2ACP 13,432	WB5DTX 284,900
	K5FVA 13,052	VK6HD 266,750
	AG6JFY 12,474	CX1BBL 212,139
	WB4OSN 5,964	UA6LO 205,082
	LU3DSI 4,746	4M4NQ 187,180

Single-Op. Single Band	21 MHz	3.5 MHz
	5Z4NI 474,894	VR3AH 178,560
	VR1AA 252,408	OH1XX 120,365
	YU3ZV 184,926	DL6KB 114,240
	CX2AQ 172,126	W1MX 108,288
	IØMGM 151,011	YU4FDE 108,270
	UG6GAF 141,930	I3GNO 107,016

	14 MHz	1.8 MHz
	CW3BR 753,228	KV4FZ 42,800
	8P8A 639,756	VE3BMV 30,258
	DJ6RX 420,512	K1PBW 22,626
	FC9UC 415,740	PAØIHP 14,105
	PY7AKQ/8 375,180	G3UBR 11,376
	DJ2BW 358,800	OK1ATP 9,792

Multi-Op. Single Trans.	PJ9MM 3,698,545	5W1AZ 2,534,416
	9Y4A 3,683,295	GC4DAA 2,300,942
	ZD8W 3,652,143	PJ1AA 2,282,233

Multi-Op. Multi-Trans.	UK9AAN 4,859,348	W4BVV 3,704,400
	W3WJD 4,165,749	K2GM 3,290,688
	W3AU 3,796,562	W2PV 3,237,654

USA TOP SCORES

Single-Op. All Band	W3LPL 1,538,284	K4VX 1,151,403
	W1ZM 1,298,388	K6NA 1,130,880
	W2GXD 1,261,764	W4RX 1,119,144
	W6OUN 1,208,966	K3ZO 1,107,964
	K1GQ 1,167,450	W1YK 1,000,838

	28 MHz	7 MHz
	K5FVA 13,052	W5WZQ 322,383
	WB4OSN 5,964	WB5DTX 284,900
	K5EWJ 4,520	WA7WXY 174,720
	W8WPC 4,280	W9VNE 144,440
	WA4EWX 1,586	K2LWR 115,050
		W7YTN 112,398

Single-Op. Single Band	21 MHz	3.5 MHz
	W4WSF 113,634	W1MX 108,288
	W5MYA 102,816	W7KW 29,580
	WA8KXC 77,900	W8JUN 28,471
	AC9LT 71,904	K5YMY 25,312
	W4WHK 67,517	K9OTB 23,940
	K9BGL 67,465	K6EBH 21,783

	14 MHz	1.8 MHz
	K3MBF 297,084	K1PBW 22,626
	WB9LHI 279,342	W8LRL 6,660
	W8KFL 278,664	W4QCW 3,996
	K8HLR 267,150	W5USM 3,420
	WA1NKK 235,175	K4YFQ 3,344
	WB2RWY 230,956	W1BB/1 2,375

Multi-Op. Single Trans.	AA5LES 2,246,989	W2YD 1,487,250
	WA8ZDF 1,616,139	W7FU 1,460,410
	W1ZA 1,611,026	W3BWZ 1,328,880

Multi-Op. Multi-Trans.	W3WJD 4,165,749	K2GM 3,290,688
	W3AU 3,796,562	W2PV 3,237,654
	W4BVV 3,704,400	W7RM 3,000,380

USA QRM

I hate c.w. . . . W5TMN. When a Rhodesian contester said 'Sorry for the delay chaps, some bush pigs were outside in the garden', I knew why I like DX . . . WA5YTX. Had to work Thursday night and spend all day Friday setting up. Sunday night I had been up 78 hours . . . W5WMU. My biggest thrill was when I turned the rig on—it worked! . . . AA4MFK. First time I ever worked a c.w. contest without a c.w. filter. Good thing there was no stateside QRM . . . WB4OSN. Sure wish I could get through the WB9's to Europe . . . WA3SWF. Rough sliding with the heater in the house not working and 9 year old son getting first tooth . . . WB2GFE. Have separate kw hr meter for shack, used 9½ Kw hrs. Cost me about 50 cents for the juice . . . AC1CNU. I have more elements on my ten meter beam than I had contacts on that band . . . WA1STN. After 40,000 QSOs the dial drive broke on my R4C. Had to finish the contest with the T4X PTO . . . W2YD. A thrill to hear USSR stations on 3.5 MHz before sunset . . . WA8ZDF. We greatly enjoyed our contest challenge with the gang at W0HZ in the twin cities—especially since we won . . . WA0CPX. Now I'm convinced I need a rotary beam for 40 . . . WA1NRF. Our club's first DX Contest; we had a thrill . . . WB2RLO. My assistant operator, WA3YHT, just 16 years old, helped me beat his old man, WA3YGH, in our Frankford intra-club competition . . . W3BGN. Our fourth stunning upset—we got whipped again . . . WA3YGH. The tension rises when I get into the same pileup with my neighbor, W3FCS, where there's only a dits worth of difference . . . W3FCI. Tough in the Novice bands . . . WA4RVC. Operating on generator power in the Santa Cruz mountains, we averaged 57 QSO's per gallon of gas . . . K6QZ. My loyal second op WA6DJI handled most of the load since I was busy with a medical emergency in the family . . . W6BIP. For a newly licensed General class, all that high speed c.w. was really something . . . WA6JUD. Started late and stopped early—but wait till next year . . . K6LY. Linear blew—had to go low power during the entire test. Had more QSOs than with high power in '75 . . . AC0IUB. Where were the JA's on 15? . . . AC9LT. My

first JA run on 40—new 3 element beam helped out . . . WA9BWY. Trying to catch the East Coast is tough—may have to move back to Florida . . . K9DX (ex WB4YLG, W9MEM). Heard about 25 JA's, but antenna to the west was not working on 3.5 MHz . . . WA8JUN. Never even heard Europe on 15 . . . WA7HRE. Cobwebs, dust and old boxes of gear dating back to WWII gave the shack an atmosphere which matches the conditions on 80 meters very well. . . . K6EBH

DX QRM

Not as well organized as for the Phone Contest, but watch our smoke next year . . . VE3DU. Enjoyed the first official multi-multi job from the Soviet Union. KP4AST was 10 over 9 on 80 . . . UK9AAN. Eighty meter antenna supported by two 365 ft. towers . . . SK5AJ. Thanks to the JA's and Europeans. Who said it couldn't be done from North America . . . KP4AST (op K7VFP). My first CQ WW CW Contest . . . UC2ABT. Straight key! Ouch! . . . VE1BHA. All I want for Christmas is a two letter call and a ten meter opening . . . WA1RFM/VP9. Worked 6 new countries for a total of 129 countries with 5 watts; worked 20 new band countries! . . . OA8V. Again had a great thrill operating FP0BG, thanks to FP8DX for such wonderful hospitality . . . VE1AIH. Pileups unbelievable—40 watts output sure got out . . . VP2MNR. It was very difficult to work Asia and the Pacific—bad conditions . . . CX2AQ. My first experience on 14 MHz band—W/K signals were very strong, 599 + 60 . . . YV1OB. There was a lot of activity, but very poor conditions for Africa, Europe and Oceania . . . PT2JB. After a few hours my rotor wouldn't work; then a relay in the rig failed; finally, an earthquake on Saturday night. All in all, a great contest . . . OA4AHA. Great opening on 160 to Europe—too bad KV4FZ was around again . . . VE3BMV. Had planned for 40 meters. Chip, K7VFP and Jim, W6BHY helped with the beam, but it failed at the beginning of the contest. As I jumped down to 160 I found Yuri, VE3BMV gobbling up my world record, which he had done the year before on 160 s.s.b. . . . KV4FZ (Look carefully at the results again, Herb—ed.).

U.S.A. Club Scores

Potomac Valley Radio Club	58,759,204
Frankford Radio Club	40,327,168
Northeast Contest Club	26,176,943
Western Washington DX Club	24,323,176
Murphy's Marauders	22,755,575
Northern California DX Club	21,253,224
Texas Association of Contest Operators	15,200,312
Southeast DX Club	12,911,035
Northern Florida DX Association	11,851,366
Southern California DX Club	9,223,679
San Diego DX Club	7,344,617
Southern California Contest Club	5,782,638
Wireless Institute of the Northeast	4,922,309
Southern Florida DX Club	3,950,576
Northern California Contest Club	3,879,698
Indy DXers	3,850,050
Arizona DX Club	3,133,200
Northern Illinois DX Association	2,824,219
Central Virginia Contest Club	2,823,552
Texas DX Society	2,690,212
Michigan DX Association	2,329,904
Virginia Century Club	1,253,951
Delta DX Association	1,011,986
Four Lakes Amateur Radio Club	715,158
Eastern Iowa DX Association	688,835
Mad River Radio Club	677,983
McDonald Douglas Radio Club	527,364

Bluegrass Amateur Radio Club	467,733
River Rats Amateur Radio Club	320,816
CW Contest Conspiracy	281,704
South Jersey Radio Association	268,937
Intercity Radio Club	173,348
Alamo DX Club	133,988

DX Club Scores

Rhein-Ruhr DX Association	23,095,211
Kaunas Polytechnic Institute Radio Club	11,298,518
Saar/Pfalz DX Club	9,068,284
South German DX Group	8,359,640
Toronto DX Club	8,054,633
Voroshilovgrad Radio Club	5,229,601
Channel Contest Group	3,589,537
Lvov Radio Club	3,344,936
Far East DX Ploeters	3,095,205
OA4 DX Hunters	2,305,771
SP DX Club	703,560
Uruguay DX Club	609,576
Winnipeg DX Club	523,524
Kiev Radio Club	518,472
Honolulu DX Club	471,403
Tallinn Radio Club	426,272
Worcester District Amateur Radio Club	274,239
CW YV Club	230,923
Danish DX Group	184,917
Nagaokakyo DX Club	50,967

AA6MQS	9,604	140	12	16
K6BCE 1.8	1,485	42	10	17
W7IR	A 843,865	891	107	228
K7RSC	477,714	800	73	133
K7DZ	413,205	878	65	104
K7HOZ	260,190	631	52	95
W7YBX	190,320	512	54	76
W7WMY	180,752	413	66	92
W7HAD	152,874	476	47	67
AA7JCB	109,779	348	46	65
W7ZMD	101,996	256	70	102
W7LZF	88,320	232	60	78
W7LR	56,592	189	40	68
K7MOK	17,280	133	25	29
W7NP	14,271	75	33	34
WA7RKJ	10,340	124	12	32
W7MCO	7,168	42	31	33
AB7ALT	6,120	50	20	25
W7JEG	4,125	49	17	16
AA7OBL	1,485	21	14	13
K7EFB	1,045	20	9	10
WA7HRE 21	38,610	213	22	44
W7AYY	16,032	117	18	30
WA7TIM 14	106,571	473	26	53
W7DAZ	97,740	393	26	64
W7DNU	80,080	333	26	62
K7CHT	1,584	35	8	8
WA7WXY 7	174,720	713	28	56
W7YTN	112,398	495	26	52
W7KW 3.5	29,580	193	20	40
	(Opr. WA7YRP)			
W7JLU	18,788	159	16	28
W7YN 1.8	540	24	7	8

Number groups after call letters denote following Band (A-all), Final Score, Number of QSOs, Zones and Countries. Certificate winners are listed in Bold Face.

ALL BAND NORTH AMERICA SINGLE OPERATOR

United States

W1ZM A	1,298,388	1,200	98	279
	(Opr. WA2CLQ)			
K1GQ	1,167,450	1,130	91	271
W1YK	1,000,835	1,021	86	255
	(Opr. WA1JLD)			
WA1STN	892,852	881	89	269
W1RR	783,941	876	86	231
W1DAL	688,744	712	85	258
W1YN	611,826	678	82	239
WA1NZT	463,797	638	75	186
W1YG	408,672	590	74	184
W1BIH	353,274	438	77	214
K1RQE	332,322	411	84	207
W1HFB	250,594	415	59	155
W1OR	199,448	300	64	169
W1HCO	192,085	336	60	145
WA1WEM	187,944	352	57	134
W1HX	132,086	232	63	148
W1GPK	122,808	251	53	119
W1FJJ	103,680	213	57	123
W1HUY	91,800	270	34	86
W1JAA	89,110	176	56	134
W1SD	80,152	171	51	121
W1WY	79,632	179	53	115
W1PL	72,850	174	51	104
AA1UAC	71,883	173	49	114
W1DK	58,890	167	45	106
W1CDC	57,810	173	40	83
AC1CNU	52,924	157	44	87
W1JFL	52,404	147	38	94
K1NH	45,045	141	36	81
K1RQF	43,407	143	32	85
WA1JXC	42,229	128	38	83
W1HXH	32,857	119	32	71
W1YZL	27,170	106	43	67
K1IK	25,272	115	19	59
W1OPJ	8,262	56	14	37
W1PLJ	6,321	47	17	32
W1PWK	4,888	36	17	35
AA1POJ	2,442	24	14	23
K1GAX	2,065	24	15	20
WA1FCN 21	3,360	41	11	21
WA1NKK 14	235,175	719	27	88
WA1RGW	108,225	487	17	58
WA1UWR	27,158	129	18	56
W1Z1Y	20,824	100	19	57
K1WJL	20,230	103	17	53
K1NOL	7,102,816	335	26	82
K1TZQ	22,648	116	22	54
W1MX 3.5	108,288	403	21	75
	(Opr. WA8WNU)			
WA1YUZ	1,755	32	9	65
K1PBW 1.8	22,626	157	15	39
W1BB/1	2,375	32	8	17
W2GXD A	1,261,764	1,175	99	273
K2BMI	876,026	853	95	269
K2SB	590,240	746	74	206
W2HMH	415,777	533	73	204
WA2JEK	378,000	506	76	194
	(Opr. WA2UOD)			
WB2RJJ	353,466	561	62	157
W2LYL	329,364	476	73	179
K2FL	267,376	362	76	196
WA2VYA	199,800	363	62	138
K2TD	150,692	282	58	144
WB2HZH	124,100	276	47	123
WA2AEJ	122,820	260	53	125
W2EUO	78,067	202	40	111
W2HUG	46,550	140	41	92
WA2ZBW	37,120	126	37	79

W2SGK	26,260	95	31	70
WA2YPF	22,260	91	27	57
AA2AUB	19,136	77	38	66
W2DF	16,992	70	34	62
W2LKH	16,037	71	23	56
WA2CXQ	10,812	61	26	42
W2HBT 21	65,170	244	23	72
AA2HZR	26,904	130	20	56
WA2PAT	2,028	29	9	17
WB2RWY 14	230,956	685	27	89
K2IGW	192,456	615	26	82
W2BA	127,124	363	26	96
W2NY	85,902	289	24	79
	(Opr. WA2YCO)			
AA2ZWH	28,656	139	20	52
WB2GFE	20,760	126	17	43
WB2SZO	11,220	73	18	37
W2FTY	8,190	57	16	37
W2MPP	760	14	7	13
K2LWR 7	115,050	345	30	88
K2RR 3.5	17,516	109	12	46
W3LPL A	1,538,784	1,149	117	351
K3ZO	1,107,964	1,146	83	255
K3GJD	944,820	954	90	258
W3GRF	822,952	919	85	243
W3AP	721,112	812	87	229
W4KNC	571,320	867	66	164
W3KWB	507,200	587	90	227
	(Opr. WB3AJQ)			
K3II	389,844	514	73	200
W3OV	353,256	498	66	180
W3AZ	343,156	504	67	175
K3ZOL	302,940	427	68	187
W3PZW	277,680	420	71	169
W3NZ	274,309	391	73	190
W3JSX	262,911	374	69	188
WA3SZI	247,292	419	60	151
AC3GID	210,572	319	67	177
K3AV	201,586	315	61	177
W3KV	195,661	385	56	125
WA3WRO	194,181	404	53	116
W3GRS	189,588	306	64	158
W3KFY	164,560	330	56	120
WB2JYM/3	158,470	267	69	161
K3KS	151,206	299	54	120
W3BB	102,582	285	33	90
AC3HDH	94,326	220	47	111
W3KT	92,536	206	52	120
W3GU	84,972	210	44	102
K2PLF/3	55,211	160	43	94
WB3AVN	51,940	145	43	97
W3GL	48,576	137	46	92
W3CV	47,190	124	48	95
W3HYM	41,209	112	36	65
WB3AOP	31,137	117	29	68
WA3RSK	19,110	84	35	56
K3WX	18,615	78	32	53
W3EVW	18,318	82	26	60
K3HWL	14,555	72	24	47
W3YFV	13,400	73	25	42
W3TN	12,060	65	27	40
K3BSY	10,860	62	19	41
W3KA	10,260	63	17	40
WB3BKD	10,248	67	18	43
WA3GVP	9,804	48	29	47
W3DRD	495	12	6	9
K3JGJ 21	9,020	61	17	38
WA3ARX	2,492	36	9	19
K3MBF 14	297,094	890	28	86
WA3SWF	221,130	651	28	89
W3IGQ	211,423	647	27	86
W3HW	69,625	197	29	96
W3GK 7	43,808	169	26	67
W3GZQ 3.5	4,860	60	8	28
K4VX A	1,151,403	983	112	295
W4RX	1,119,144	967	111	297
WB4AEX	851,200	860	99	251
K4PQL	850,896	970	85	226
W4YWX	747,656	810	93	245
K4LRO	675,454	781	89	224

W4QQN	633,736	741	89	207
AD4BAI	518,058	617	87	219
W3ZKH/4	500,938	594	78	220
W4KFC	492,336	578	85	227
K4SB	425,880	464	96	242
K4TBN	386,100	443	96	234
W4YZC	309,024	471	62	170
K4JWD	270,556	416	72	170
K4CL	267,794	381	84	173
K4DTD	236,307	387	66	161
W4BV	227,076	353	76	178
K4EZ	223,510	399	59	147
W4DM	170,355	298	57	148
W4E1	151,488	297	53	139
WB4DHO	150,735	290	63	132
K4VT	150,280	316	49	121
AD4JGI	133,584	266	48	136
W4KNW	132,800	252	61	139
W4HOS	129,168	230	68	140
AA4SHL	110,783	281	40	99
WA4GQJ	89,430	198	55	110
WA4IAR	88,270	186	66	116
W4ZM	87,165	216	49	100
K4KZP	81,829	185	58	115
K4JM	81,530	191	48	107
AA4UFW	77,252	226	34	90
W4RW	69,010	187	40	94
K4UEE	62,034	153	57	90
AC4EDB	49,046	130	47	90
AA4WYN	36,782	128	33	73
W4MWT	35,581	116	39	80
K4EF	26,040	96	39	66
K4KA	24,465	88	37	68
W4EZ	24,416	91	39	70
W4GF	20,056	95	29	59
WA4LWO	21,939	86	35	68
AB4FOT	21,331	97	28	55
K4FOK	17,860			

CQ looks at some of the latest equipment and accessories of interest to amateurs.

New Amateur Products

Heath's New Personal Computer Line

Heath Company, the world's largest manufacturer of electronic kits, has introduced their new line of personal computing products for hobby, home, educational and small business applications.

The new product line, according to company spokesman, is designed around two new computers, the H8 and the H11. The H8 is an 8-bit computer based on the popular 8080A microprocessor.



It features an intelligent front panel with octal data entry and display, and a resident monitor with built-in bootstrap for one-button program loading or storing. The H11 is a 16-bit computer using the digital Equipment Corporation (DEC) LSI-11 with 4k memory, a built-in backplane and regulated switching power supply. System compatible peripherals include a CRT terminal, paper-tape reader/punch, serial and parallel interfaces, a hard-copy printing terminal and a cassette player/recorder. Input/output interfaces, additional memory and supplementary software package complete the initial product offerings.

Heath Company will back up their computer systems with complete documentation and service support, self-instructional programming courses, and a Heath User's Group (HUG). Heathkit

H11 owners are also eligible for DECUS, the DEC user's organization.

Shipping of all new computer products is scheduled for the fall. For further information, write for the "Computer Information Package"—Heath Company, Department 360-26, Benton Harbor, MI 49022.

Nye Iambic Keyer

Featuring a combination of the fast, comfortable Nye Viking Super Squeeze Key and the reliable Curtis 8043 keyer chip, Wm. M. Nye Company's new Iambic Keyer is designed to give the amateur faster, surer sending.

The super Squeeze Key, with extra-long, form-fitting molded paddles and gold plated silver contacts, adjustable-to-your-fist spring tension and contact spacing, gives faster, tireless, more accurate sending.

Powered by internal 9 VDC or 115 VAC supply, the unit will key transmitters (either negative or positive-keyed) up to 200 mA at 240 volts.



Other features include a Nye Viking 404 audio oscillator and speaker with on-off switch and volume control for monitoring and practice keying, and a "manual"

switch to allow slow-speed hand keying and "tune-up" using the dash paddle. In the test, or manual position, it also simulates the old-fashioned bug key. Keyer output is terminated in a shielded cable with standard 1/4-inch phone plug.

The unit's 1.2 kilogram weight plus nonskid feet lend stability for right or left-hand operation. Made in the U.S. and priced at \$98.00 (less battery), the Iambic Keyer is available from dealers nationwide, or circle no. 36 on the Reader Service Card.

Telco SWR/Wattmeter

Telco Products Corporation have announced a new SWR/wattmeter, the swattmeter, model 10-10. The meter provides three separate laboratory calibrated scales, 10, 100, and 1000 watts, adjusted to within 3 percent accuracy to provide the user with a professional laboratory standard of measurement. Ideal



for continuous duty operation in monitoring the SWR and power output of any system. The model 10-10 is packaged in a compact 8 x 4 x 5 inch chrome steel case. Price is \$59.95. Delivery from stock. For additional information, contact Telco Products Corporation, 44 Seacliff Ave., Glen Cove, NY 11542 (516) 759-0300, or circle no. 37 on the Reader Service Card.

CQ Reviews:

The Dentron MLA-2500

Linear Amplifier

BY HUGH R. PAUL*, W6POK

Over the years many amateur operators have approached the purchase of a new linear amplifier with the philosophy that "big is better." If the amplifier stood three feet off the floor and required two men and a boy to maneuver it into position next to the operating position, it was considered a reliable "power house." Until recently there was some justification for that philosophy; then along came the new Dentron MLA-2500 linear amplifier.

The MLA-2500 covers all bands from 160 meters through 10 meters, and is rated at 2000+ watts p.e.p. on s.s.b. and 1000 watts d.c. input on c.w. with a continuous duty cycle. The real grabber is its size—only 5½" high, 14" wide and 14" deep. Half of its 47-pound weight is composed of the power transformer.

Dentron has given special consideration to MARS operators and the possibility of band expansion after WARC 79 by designing in extended tuning ranges for the 80, 40, 20 and 15 meter segments. The amplifier will cover 3.4 to 4.6 MHz, 6.0 to 9.0 MHz, 11.0 to 16.0 MHz and 16.0 MHz to 22.0 MHz.

Other design features include a time delay relay to allow full warmup of the tubes before drive can be applied and a thermal switch that senses a 10 degree increase above normal operating temperature of the Eimac 8875 triodes. When the switch cuts in, the Rotron fan operates at high speed to increase air flow, thus maintaining tube temperature at a safe level. At high speed the fan is a bit noisy, but other stations reported hearing it only during pauses in speech.

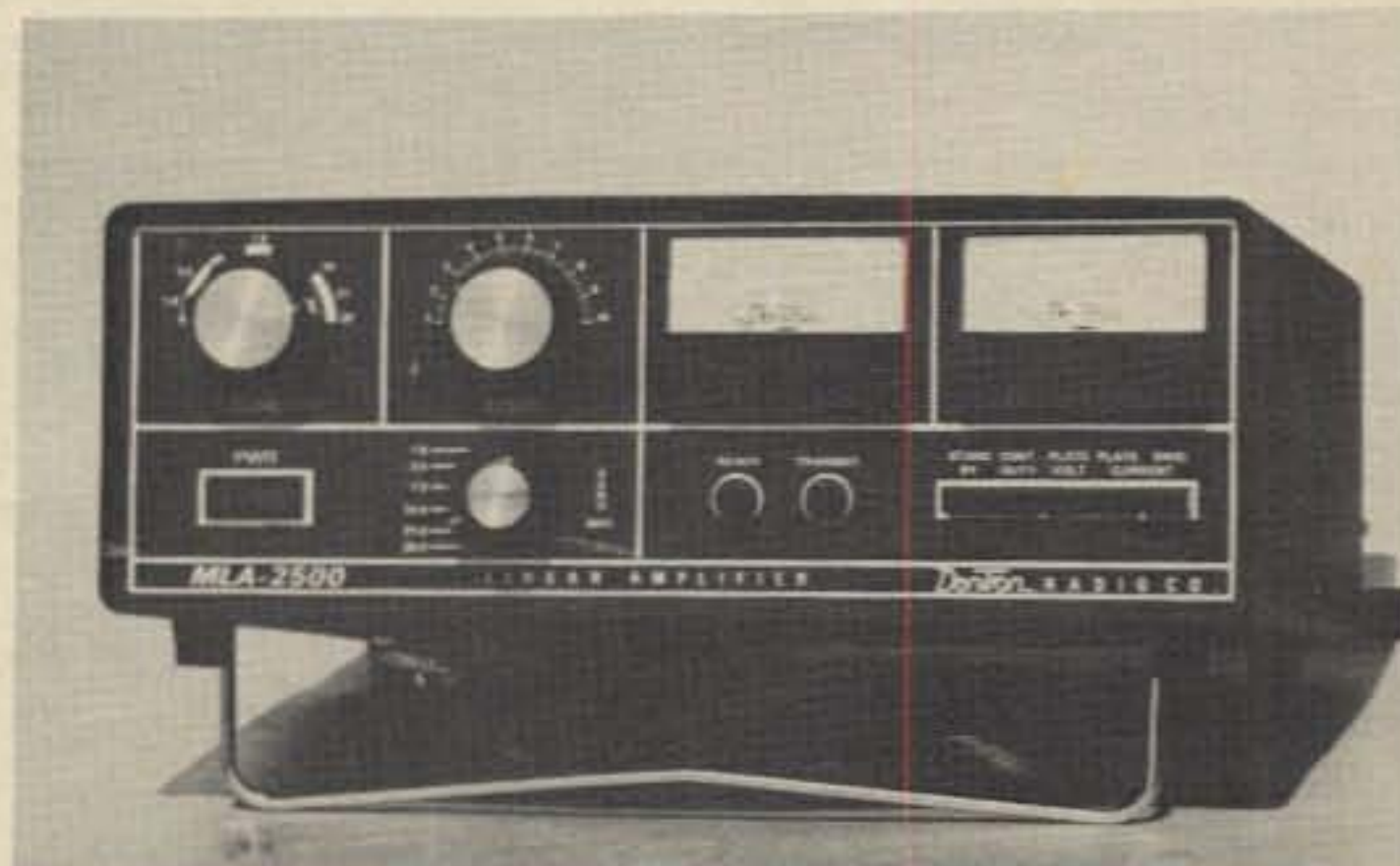
The Eimac 8875 ceramic triodes are rugged little tubes, but as with all tubes with external anodes their dissipation rating is dependent primarily on

the amount of air circulating past the cooling fans. At the power levels the MLA-2500 is capable of, a lot of air is necessary if long tube life is to be achieved.

The main power switch is an illuminated type that glows red when primary power has been applied. A green "ready" light indicates that the tube filaments have reached proper operating temperature. The time delay is about one minute. The transmit condition is indicated by a second red indicator light just to the right of the "ready" light.

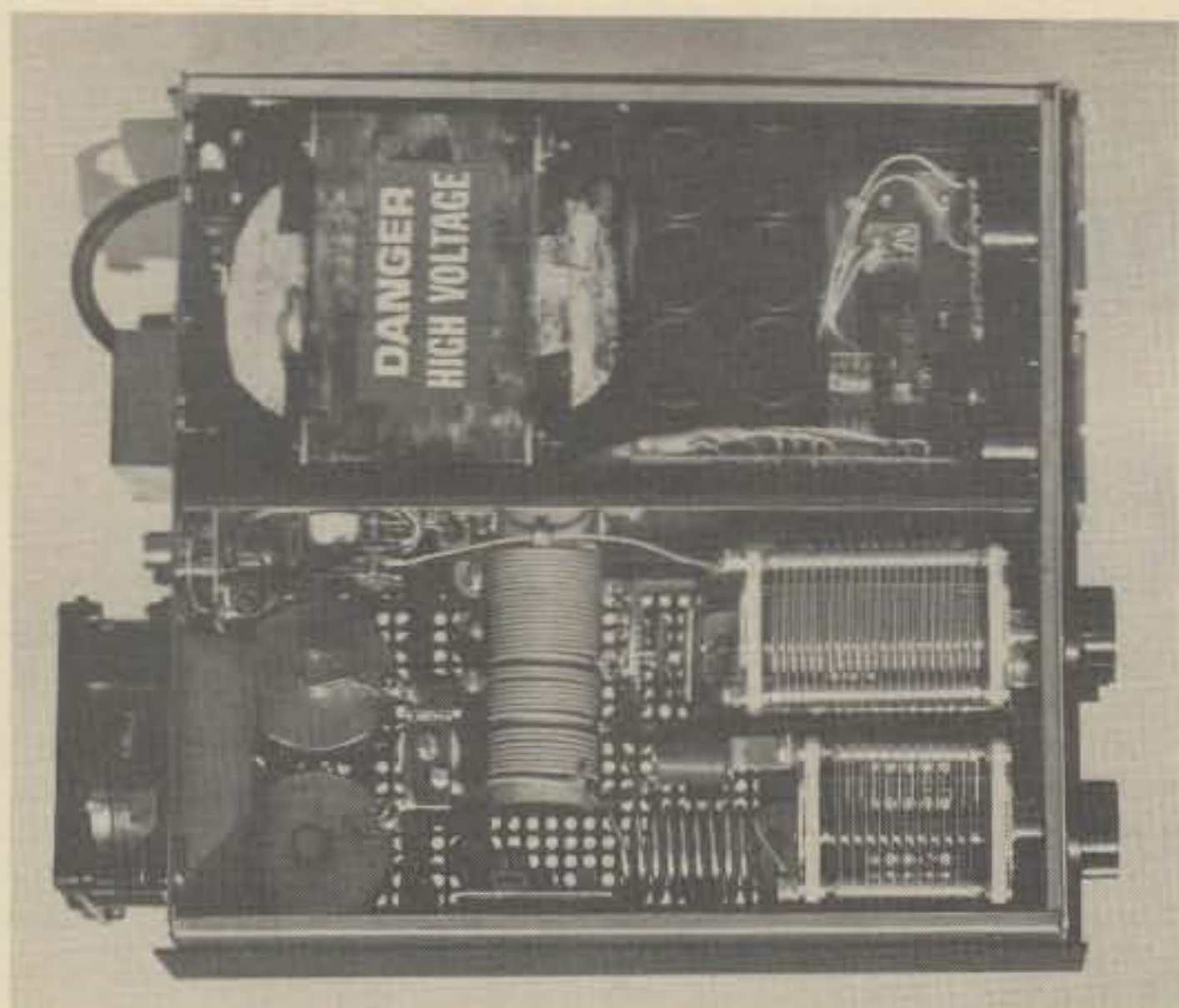
The meter on the right reads plate voltage, plate current and grid current as selected by push button switches located directly below the meter. Additional push type switches place the amplifier in a stand-by mode when one desires to use only the exciter and to bypass the thermal switch and place the blower on high speed at all times when operating RTTY or slow scan TV.

The meter to the left reads RF Watts output. The accuracy is within plus or minus 10% at the higher



Front view of the Dentron MLA-2500 linear amplifier.
(Photo by Sandra R. Paul)

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Interior view of the MLA-2500 linear amplifier. (Photo by Sandra R. Paul)

power levels, provided the s.w.r. is low. At higher s.w.r. levels or at lower power levels the accuracy can vary by as much as plus or minus 25%. In most cases the r.f. wattmeter was reading low when compared to a Bird thru-line wattmeter. The power measuring circuitry has adjustment which will allow you to calibrate the output indication against a standard such as a Bird.

The components used in the MLA-2500 have been selected to provide good safety margins with regard to power ratings, etc. The large inductor visible in the interior photograph is made by Dentron and is teflon coated. The variable capacitors are heavy duty transmitting types. The final PI network has been carefully designed with enough fixed capacity inserted where required, that the output is at a nominal 50 ohms impedance with the variable loading control at the #1 position. Only slight tuning of the variable loading control is required to achieve full output on each band. The result is that you won't experience arc overs during the tuning process. The final is capable of loading impedances of as much as 100 ohms. With 52 ohm coax and a v.s.w.r. of 2 to 1 or less, tuning the amplifier is a "piece of cake."

During lab testing of the MLA-2500 we found that 1 k.w. d.c. input could be achieved with from 35 to 40 watts of drive applied. Efficiency at 1 k.w. input averaged 62% across the various bands. At 2 k.w. d.c. input the efficiency increased to an average of 66%. These efficiency factors were calculated after subtracting the drive power, which averaged about 95 watts at maximum input. Maximum d.c. input power achieved with 220 v.a.c. applied to the primary of the power transformer, and with 95 watts of drive power was just over 2200 watts.

Dentron rates their amplifier at 1 k.w. d.c. input on a continuous duty basis. I'm sure that by continuous duty they mean hour after hour operation. We ran the unit under test at 1 k.w. d.c. OUTPUT for extended periods of time with no ill effects. The power transformer is extremely rugged and does not overheat like those used in many table top amplifiers.

Dentron recommends that the amplifier be operated from a 234 v.a.c. primary circuit, but it can also be operated from a 117 v.a.c. circuit by merely switching a jumper and adding a second jumper on a barrier strip located behind a protective cover on the back of the amplifier. At my home QTH I don't have 234 v.a.c. in the shack so "on the air" tests were made while operating on 117 v.a.c. primary power. High voltage regulation is not as good as it was with 220 v.a.c. in the lab, but I was still able to load the amplifier to almost 1.9 k.w. d.c. input. I might add that I have a separate 30 amp. service without any other load on it just for this purpose. I would not nor would your insurance company recommend using a standard lighting circuit for powering this amplifier.

The final test of a linear amplifier is not just how much power it will put out, but how clean is the output. This is especially true in light of the new FCC regulations concerning spurious emissions. The Dentron MLA-2500 is clean if the transmitter used to drive it is clean. Dentron claims third order products at least 30 db down. My TS-520 has third order products just under 30 db down from the single tone of a two tone test and that's what we found when looking at the output of the amplifier with a spectrum analyzer. The second harmonic was about 43 db down.

Performance of the a.i.c. circuitry in the MLA-2500 is excellent. Adjustment procedure for this circuit is outlined briefly in the owner's manual in case you should have some difficulty with a particular exciter. No adjustment was required for use with the TS-520 and it required a deliberate effort to overdrive the amplifier and achieve flattopping.

The instruction book is fairly good, but did lack some basic information such as how much grid current you should read under normal operating conditions (about 50 ma at full load). A few more details concerning the control circuitry could prove helpful in the event of trouble in this area. In the photograph you can see a wire bail that serves to elevate the front of the amplifier. This bail is a flip up type, which the manufacturer recommends you use to insure maximum flow of cooling air underneath the unit.

The Dentron MLA-2500 has been designed and built with integrity. The MLA-2500 is priced at \$799.50. It represents good dollar value in today's market. For more information contact Dentron Radio Co., Inc., 2100 Enterprise Parkway, Twinsburg, Ohio 44087. ■

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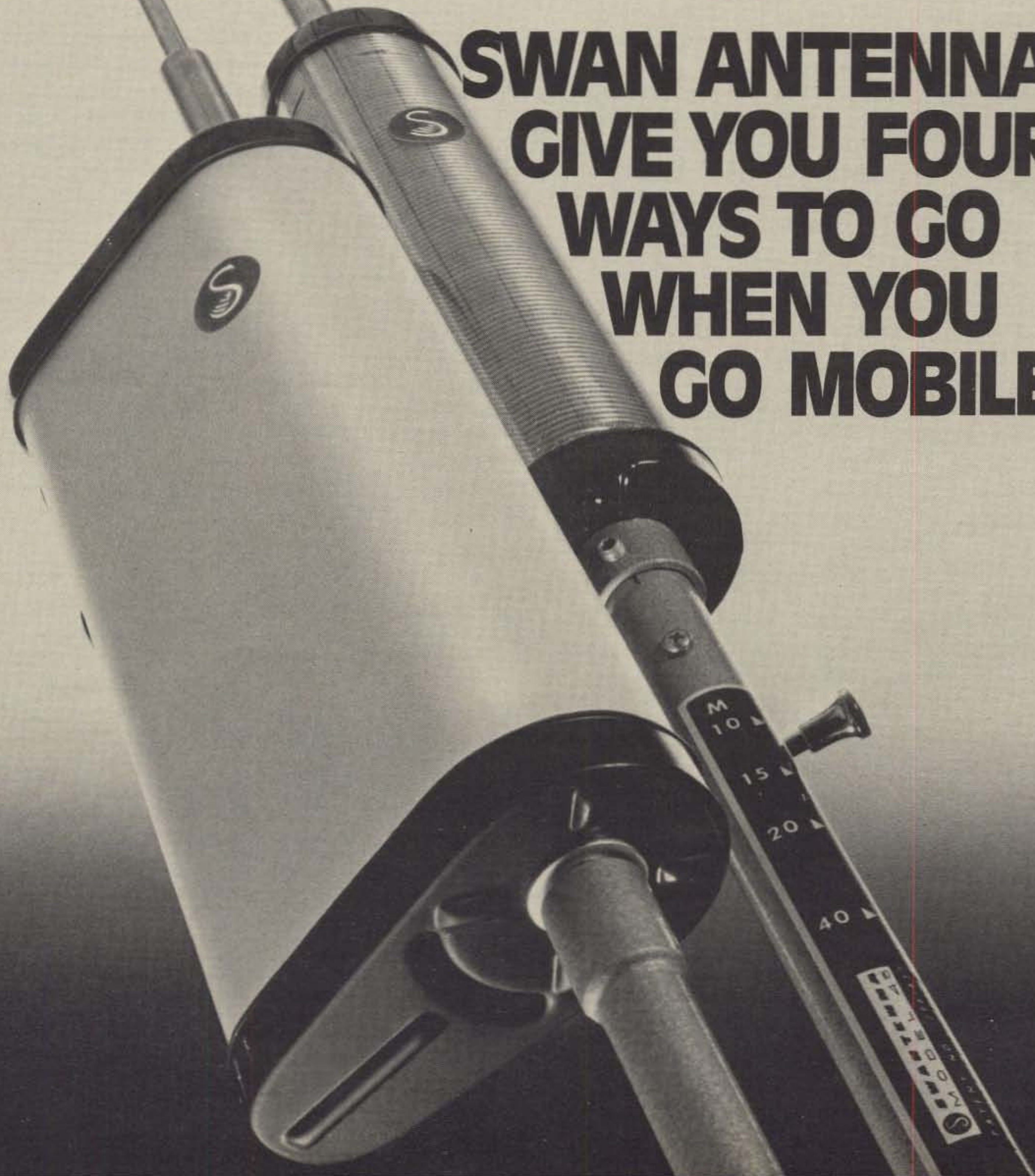
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BASIC RADIO

BY IRVING TEPPER*

Chapter 3: Dynamic Electricity

STATIC electricity can produce a flow of negative charges for a short period of time only. If we have two charged bodies as shown in Fig. 1.10A, one charged positively (missing electrons) and one charged negatively (an excess of electrons) and we place them close to each other, the electrons in Charge 1 will be attracted to Charge 2. A force is developed between the two charges but no movement of electrons occurs between them. This force is called a *pressure*, a *potential*, a *difference of potential*, or an *electromotive force (EMF)* and is caused by the accumulation of electrons on Charge 1 trying to force their way to Charge 2. The more excess electrons in Charge 1, the greater the difference of potential between the two charges.

Flow of Charges—When a copper wire is connected between the two charges, as shown in Fig. 1.10B, all the excess electrons on Charge 1 will move through the wire to Charge 2. At Charge 2 these electrons will fill in for the missing valence electrons and both charges will become neutral—there will no longer be a difference of potential.

But what happened when the wire was connected? For a brief moment we had a movement of electrons from the negative charge to the positive charge. This is called an *electric current flow* or an *electron flow*.

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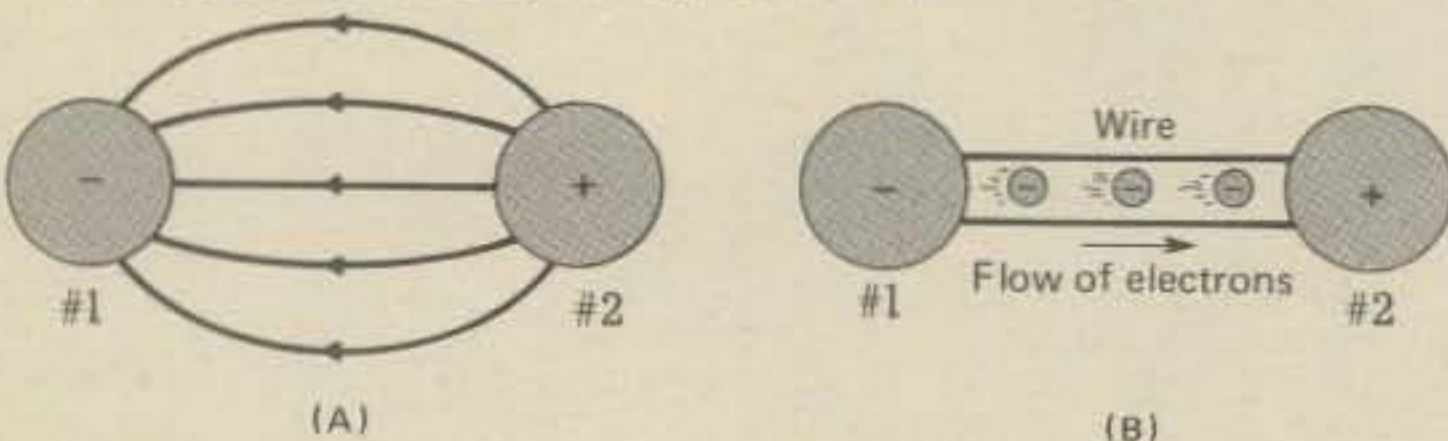


Fig. 1.10 (A)—Charge 1 is negative because it contains more than normal amount of electrons and Charge 2 is positive because it is missing electrons. (B) When a conductor (a wire) is connected between the two charged bodies, the electrons move from Charge 1 to Charge 2 and both become neutral.

The greater the difference of potential the greater would be the number of electrons flowing from Charge 1 to Charge 2. Since it is normal to generate different strengths of charges, there must be a method to define that strength. In electronics, the difference of potential is measured in *volts*. Some static charges develop only a fraction of a volt whereas lightning, also a form of static electricity, can develop differences of potential as high as several million volts.

Dynamic Electron Flow—The example of electron flow shown in Fig. 1.10 lasted only a fraction of a second, only the time needed to equalize the two charges. The flow of electrons did not last long enough to do any useful work. To accomplish work with an electric current it *must be continuous*. It is necessary, therefore, to create a form of electricity that is continuous or dynamic, and friction is not a practical method.

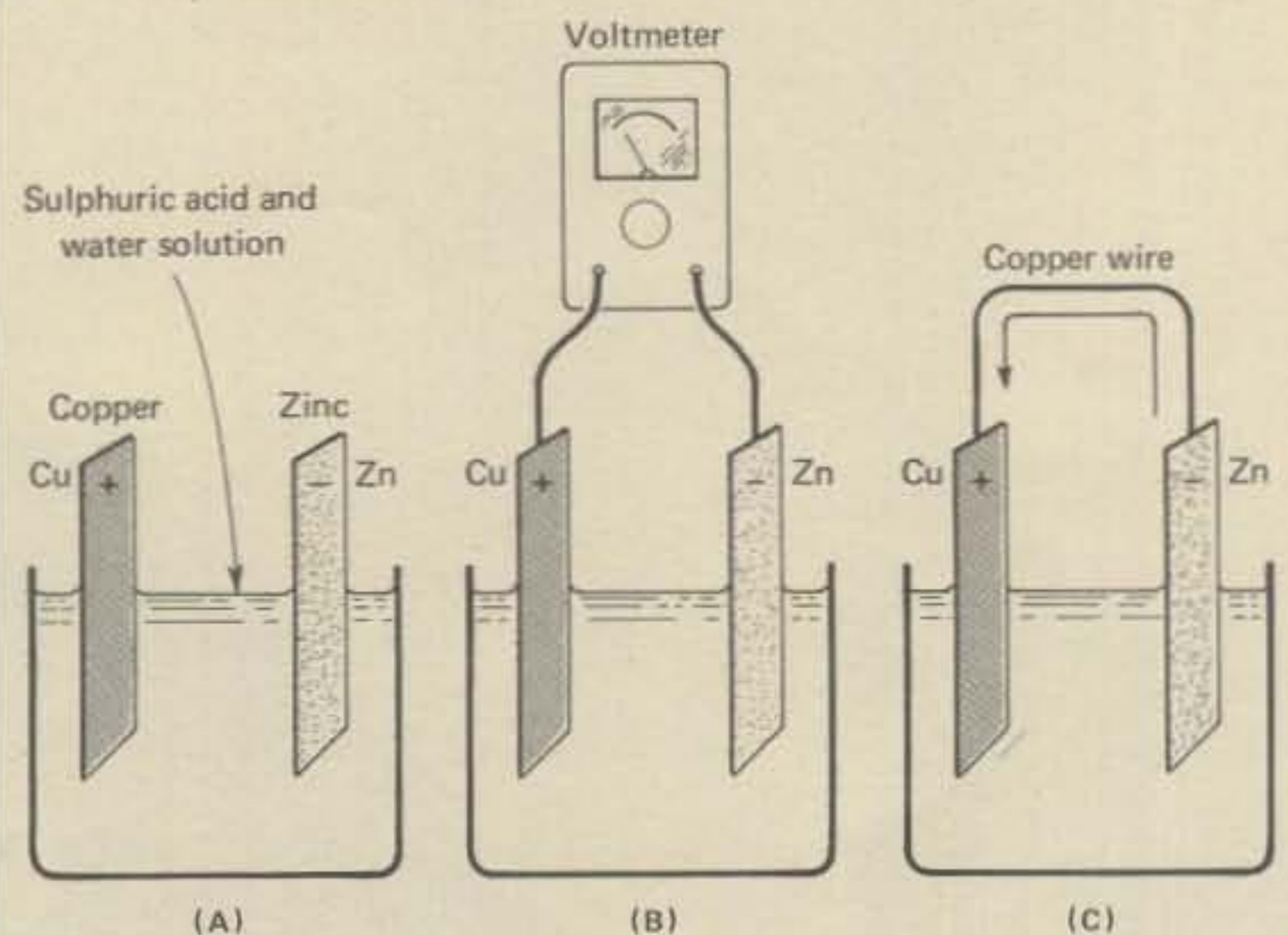


Fig. 1.11 (A)—Construction of a basic wet cell. A difference of potential is produced between the copper and zinc elements. (B) The difference of potential developed by the cell can be measured by a device called a "voltmeter." (C) When a wire is connected between the elements a constant flow of electrons moves from the zinc to the copper until the cell is exhausted.

INFORMATION SHEET #3: HOW TO USE THE VOLTMETER PORTION OF THE VOM

A volt-ohm-milliammeter, abbreviated VOM, is a multipurpose test instrument designed to measure DC voltage, AC voltage, resistance and current using a single meter to indicate all readings. The VOMs are rated in several ways such as the number of ranges, number of functions and their sensitivity. The sensitivity of a VOM is indicated by its ohms-per-volt rating; the higher the ohms-per-volt, the better. The meters recommended by the author are both rated at 20,000 ohms-per-volt. There are less expensive units rated at 1,000 ohms-per-volt but they are not satisfactory for our purposes. There are more expensive units rated at 30,000 and 50,000 ohms-per-volt but they do not serve our purposes any better than the 20,000 ohms-per-volt units.

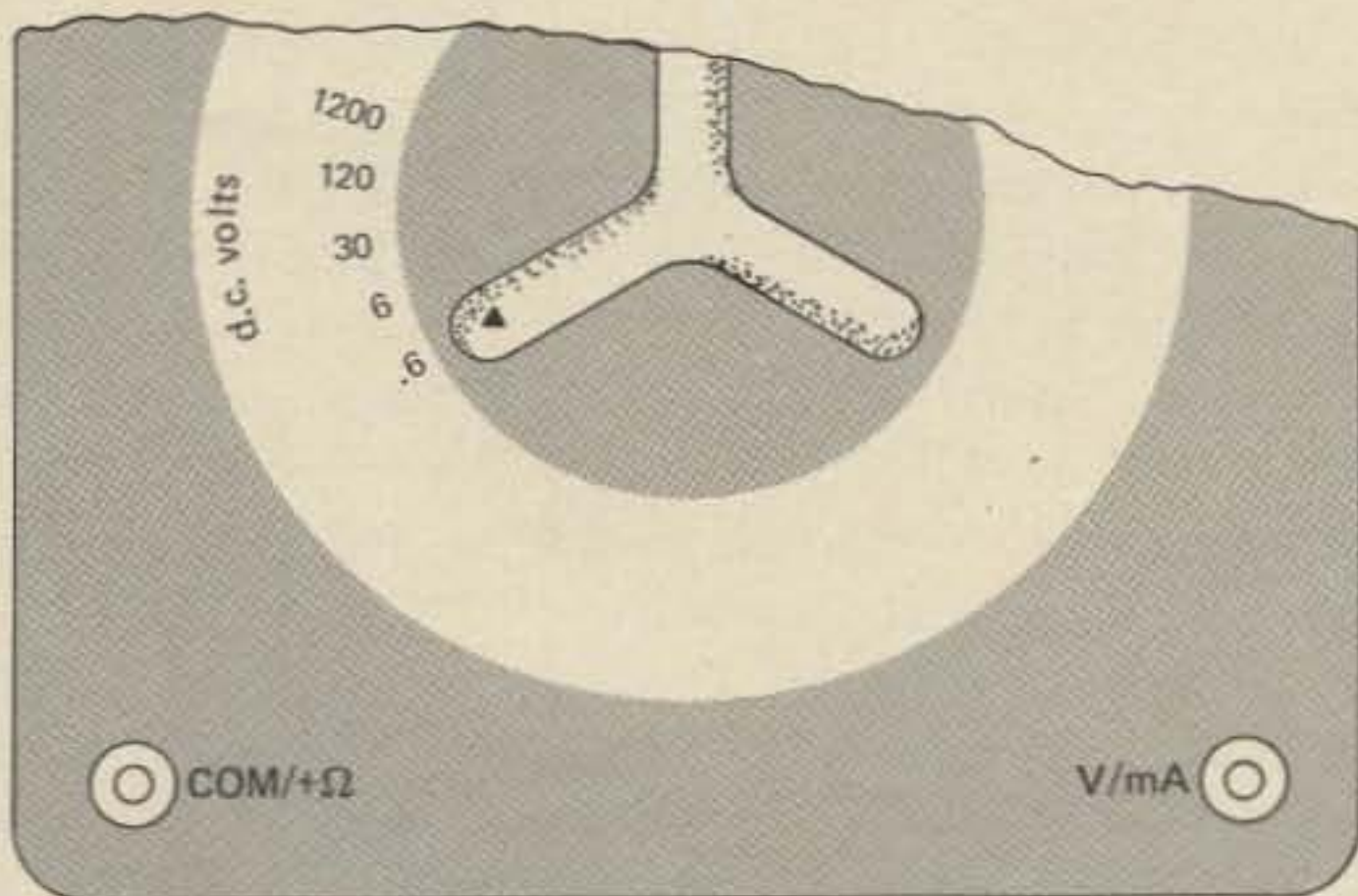


Fig. 1—Connection jacks and range selector switch for a typical VOM.

The use of the VOM in Experiment #2 is limited to the measurement of voltage. Therefore, we will only discuss this function. Do not use the meter for any other function until instructed how to do so or refer to the instructions that come with the meter.

The author recommends the Radio Shack #22-203 or the Lafayette #99R50734 VOMs. The meters are virtually identical in cost and performance. Any other equivalent brand will do, however.

The meter has the following DC voltage ranges: 0-0.6V, 3V, 30V, 120V, 600V and 1200V. To make connection to the VOM a black test lead is plugged into the left hand jack marked COM/+Ω and the red test lead is plugged into the right hand jack marked VmA (See Figs. 1 and 2) The desired voltage range is then selected by the main center knob.

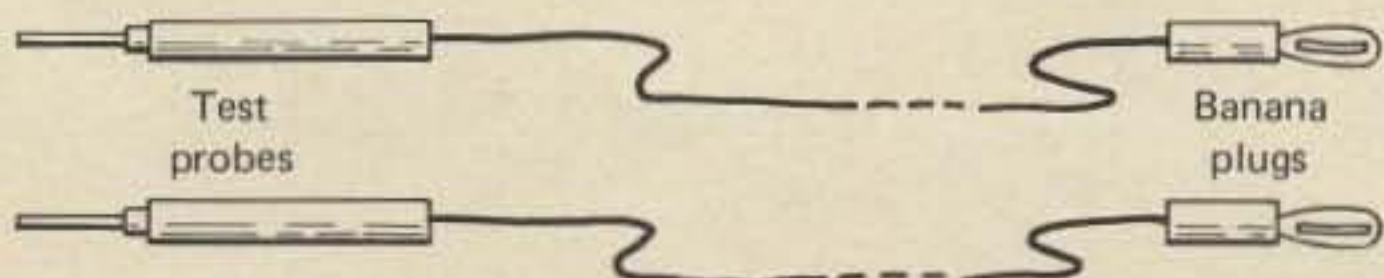
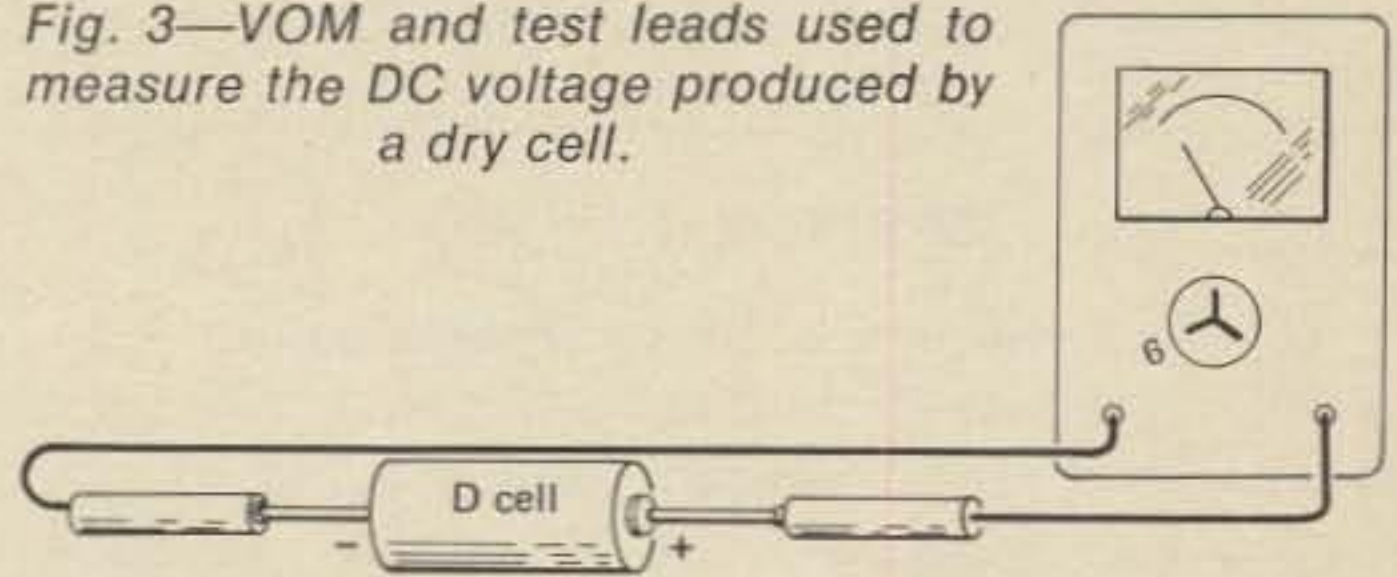


Fig. 4—Calibration of the 0-6V meter scale shows a 1.6V reading.

Fig. 3—VOM and test leads used to measure the DC voltage produced by a dry cell.



The pointer of the knob (marked with the white dot) is set to one of the five DC voltage ranges.

To measure a voltage, proceed as follows:

1. Estimate the amount of voltage you are going to measure and set the voltage range to one higher than the expected voltage.
2. If you do not know what voltage to expect, start with the 600V range.
3. Connect the test leads to the voltage source, placing the black lead on the negative terminal and the red lead on the positive terminal.
4. If the pointer deflection on the meter face is reversed the polarity being applied is wrong and the test leads should be reversed.
5. When the meter indication is very low, remove one test lead and reduce the voltage range to the next lower range and then reconnect the test lead.
6. Repeat the above step until a reading is obtained in the middle of the scale, or at least, as high as possible.

If, for example, you wished to measure the voltage developed by a dry cell as shown in Fig. 3, you would first try to determine the voltage expected. It is common knowledge that a dry cell develops about 1.5 volts. The choice of the 6V scale would be ideal because a higher range (30V) would produce a low reading and a lower range (0.6V) could burn out the meter or damage it severely.

To read the voltage you have to observe the position of the pointer on the scale selected, in this case 6V. On the 6V scale each division has a value of 0.1V. The position shown in Fig. 4 represents 1.6V, the reading obtained from the D cell in Fig. 3.

Test Leads—While a pair of leads always comes with any VOM when purchased, the author recommends the purchase of the Radio Shack Test Lead Kit #270-332. It enables you to convert your test leads to alligator clip leads when necessary; this helps free your hands for the various experiments.

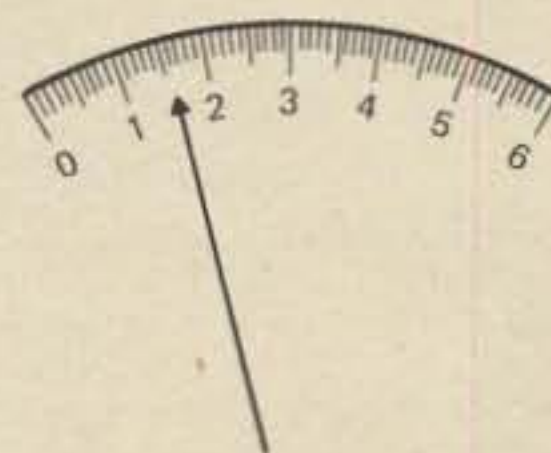


Fig. 2—Typical set of test leads, one red, one black.

There are at least five methods of generating *dynamic* electricity or voltage. These are chemical, magnetic, thermal, pressure and light.

EXPERIMENT #2:

Generating Electricity Dynamically

Each of the five methods of developing electricity, chemical, magnetic, thermal, pressure and light, will be tried experimentally. To keep the experiment orderly, we will list the materials required for each part separately.

EXPERIMENT #2(A):

Generating Electricity Chemically

Material: VOM; Quarter; Penny; Lemon.

Procedure:

- 1—Cut two short slits $\frac{1}{4}$ " apart in a fresh lemon as shown in Fig. 1.
- 2—Force a quarter into one slit and a penny into the other.
- 3—Measure the difference of potential using the voltmeter portion of the VOM as shown in Fig. 1. Enter the voltage reading in Chart 1.
- 4—Measure the voltage generated using different coins such as nickels and dimes in combination with the quarter and penny.



Fig. 1—Two coins inserted into a lemon creates a cell and generates a difference of potential.

Coins		Voltage
Penny	Quarter	V
Penny	Nickel	V
		V
		V

Chart 1

Chemical Generators—Typical chemical generators of electricity are called *cells*. When two or more cells are combined, they are called *batteries*. A cell is formed by placing two different metal elements in a solution called an *electrolyte*. A combination of copper and zinc elements in a sulphuric acid and water electrolyte is shown in Fig. 1.11A. Because of the chemical activity of the acid electrolyte, the zinc gives up positive ions to the solution and thus assumes a negative charge. The copper gives up electrons to the solution and so assumes a positive charge. Each element continues to give up particles which lock into the molecular structure of the electrolyte until a balance is reached. This means that the zinc cannot release any more positive ions to the electrolyte because of the repelling effect of the positive ions suspended in the electrolyte. The copper cannot release any more electrons into the solution because of the repelling effect of the electrons suspended in the electrolyte. A potential difference has been developed between the copper and zinc elements that will remain *constant* for a long period of time. If measured with a device called a *voltmeter* (Fig. 1.11B) it will show slightly more than 1 volt.

If a wire is connected between the copper and zinc elements as shown in Fig. 1.11C, electrons will leave the zinc element, flow through the wire and move into the copper element in which there is a shortage of electrons. As the electrons move out of the zinc, the balance is upset and the zinc can now accept electrons from the solution. One electron is accepted from the solution for each electron that leaves the zinc. As the electrons enter the copper element, they are fed back into the solution replacing those picked up by the zinc element.

Unlike static electricity this chemical generator of electricity will produce a continuous flow of negative charges until the elements or electrolyte fail chemically. When this occurs the cell is said to be *discharged* or *dead*.

There are a variety of cells such as just described, called *wet cells* and there are also *dry cells*. The various types will be covered later in greater detail.

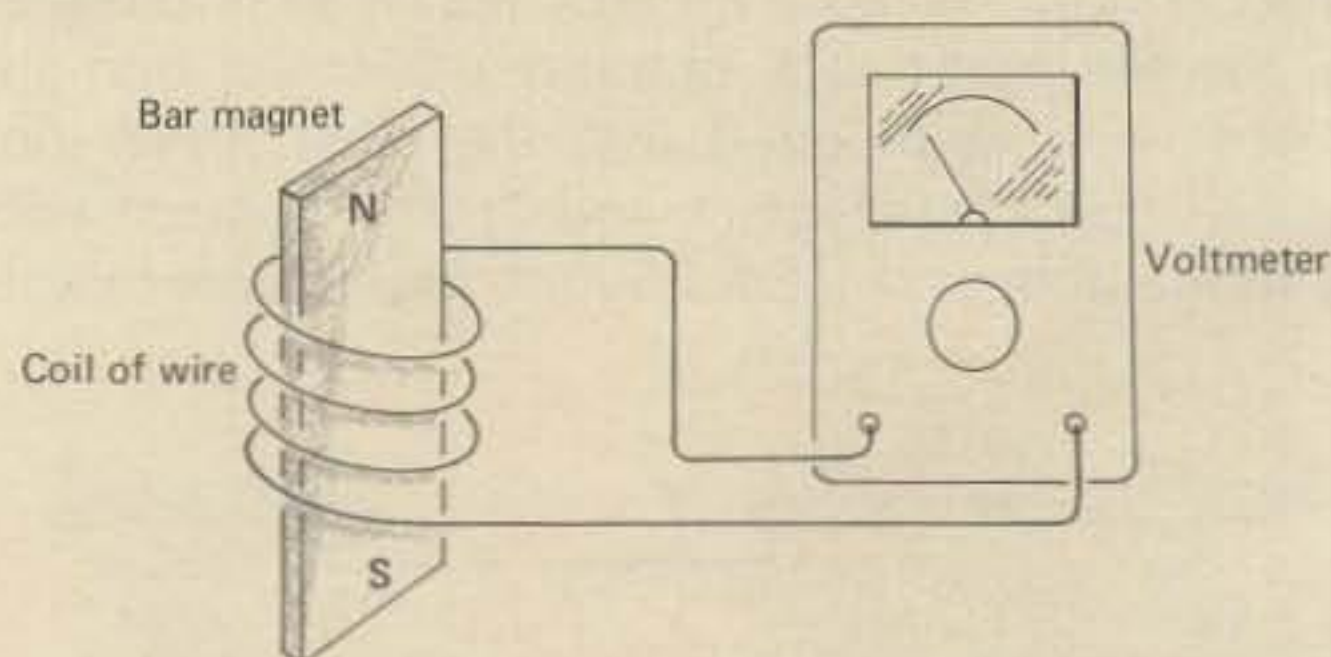


Fig. 1.12—A difference of potential can be generated magnetically by passing a bar magnet through a coil of wire. The voltage generated is shown by the reading of the voltmeter.

Magnetic Generators—One of the most common methods of generating electricity is by the use of magnetism. How this may be done experimentally is shown in Fig. 1.12. A winding of wire called a *coil* is connected to a sensitive voltmeter which will show the presence of a difference of potential. When a bar magnet is lowered into the coil, the magnetic lines of force cutting through the wire conductors will generate a difference of potential. This difference of potential will be indicated by the voltmeter.

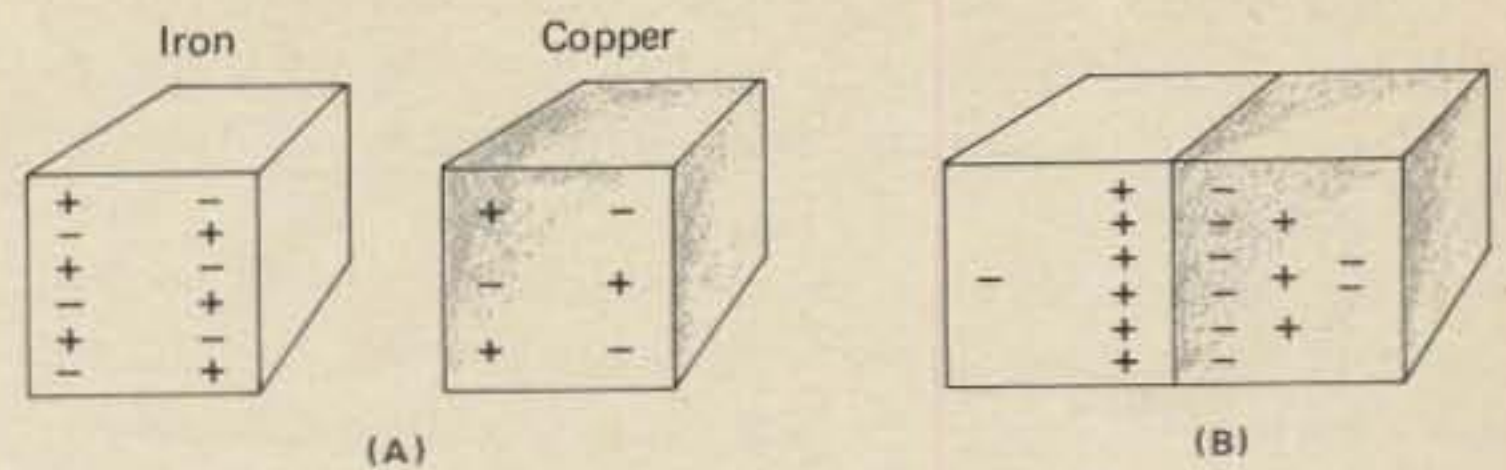


Fig. 1.13 (A)—The blocks of copper and iron are neutral until placed together as in (B), when they then develop a difference of potential because of the movement of electrons from the iron to the copper.

EXPERIMENT #2(B):

Generating Electricity Magnetically

Material: VOM; Bar Magnet; Coil of Wire (See parts list at end of experiment); Test Lead Kit, Radio Shack #270-332.

Procedure:

1—Using fine sandpaper or a sharp knife remove the enamel coating from the ends of the two wires sticking out of the spool (Fig. 2). Clean a $\frac{3}{4}$ " length so that it is bright and shiny.

2—Set the meter to the 0.6 range on DC Volts.

3—Connect the voltmeter to the coil of wire as shown in Fig. 3. Use the alligator clip leads to make connection to the coil in order to have your hands free for the experiment.

4—Mark one end of the bar magnet with a crayon or chalk so you can tell when you have reversed it.

Lower the marked end of the magnet into the coil *rapidly* and note the movement of the meter pointer. It should show a rapid rise and then drop back to zero. If the pointer moves backwards (to the left) reverse the magnet and lower the unmarked end into the coil. Observe the highest voltage reading and enter the voltage in Chart II.

5—With the magnet completely in the coil, withdraw it *rapidly* and note the effect; the meter reads backwards because the voltage generated is of the reversed polarity.

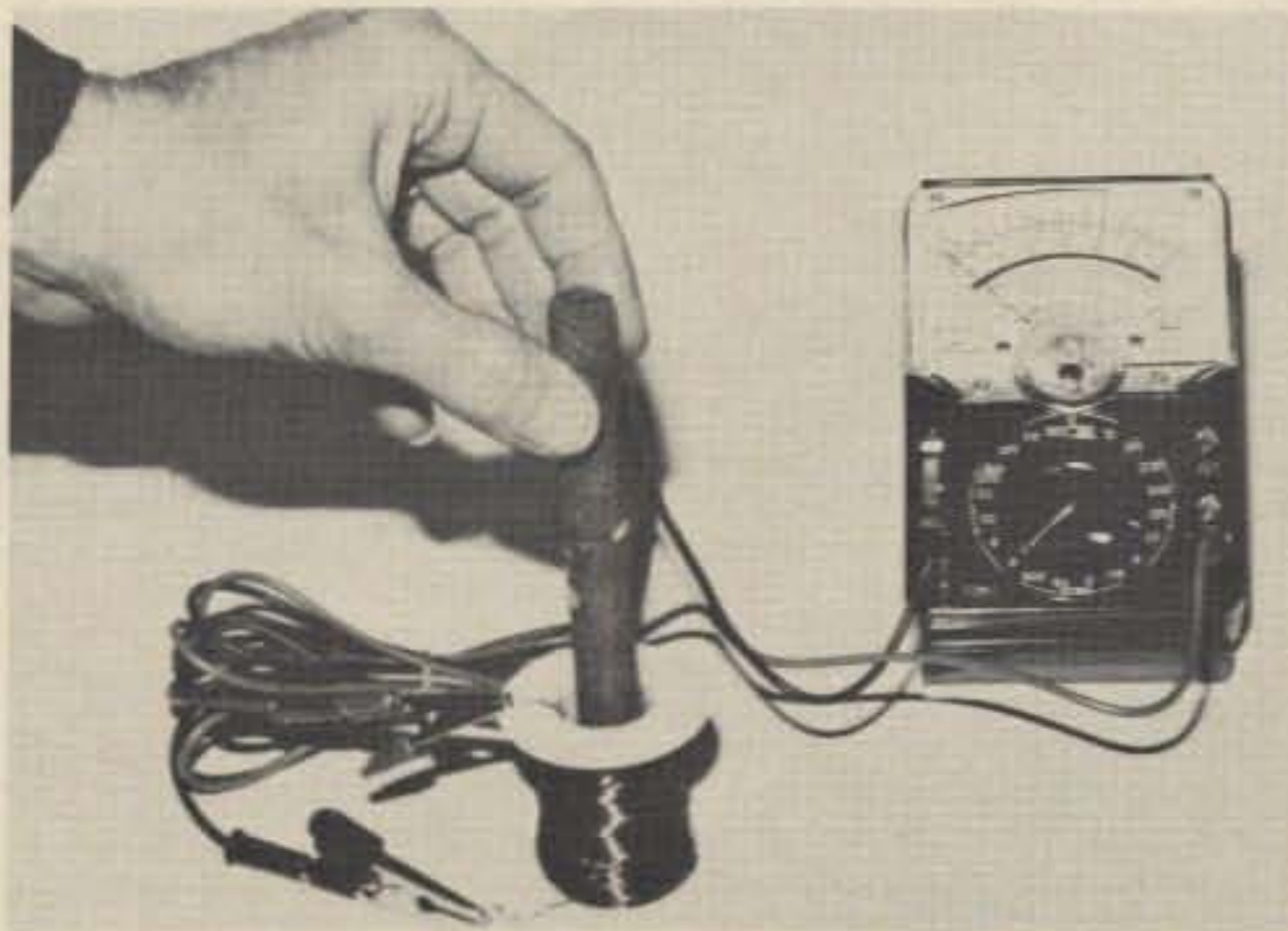


Fig. 2—Spool of wire showing the two connections to be made. Be sure the inside wire, #2, is long enough to make good electrical connection.

#	Directions	Voltage
1	Magnet lowered rapidly	_____ V.
2	Magnet raised rapidly	Reversed reading
3	Magnet lowered slowly	_____ V.
Reversed Magnet		
4	Magnet lowered rapidly	Reversed reading
5	Magnet raised rapidly	_____ V.

Chart II

6—Lower the magnet into the coil *slowly*. Note the reading and enter the value of voltage in Chart II, line 3.

7—Reverse the magnet and perform steps 4 and 5 of Chart II and enter the readings.

Conclusion: From the above we see that electricity can be generated magnetically. We further observed that:

1—The faster the magnet moves the more voltage generated.

2—The polarity of the voltage reversed when the direction of movement was reversed.

3—The polarity of the voltage reverses when the polarity of the magnet is reversed.

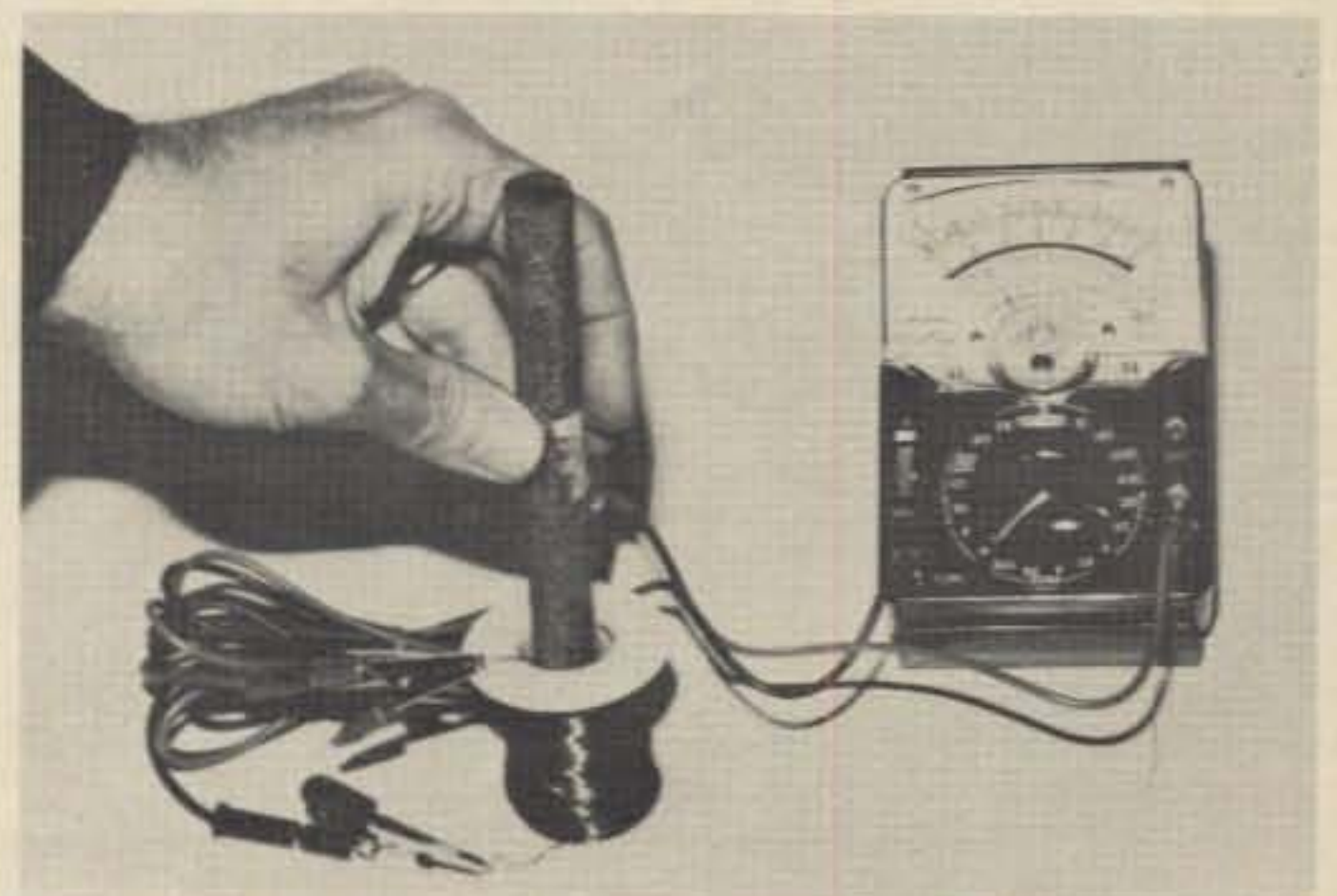


Fig. 3—Dropping the magnet gently into the coil will generate a voltage that will show on the meter.

The amount of voltage developed will depend on the strength of the magnet, the number of turns of wire in the coil and the speed at which the magnet is moved.

Magnetic generators of electricity are used by the large power companies as well as for the small generators in cars. In fact, this method of generating electricity is so important much more time will be devoted to it later when we study magnetism and generators.

Thermal Electricity—Electricity generated by the thermal method has very few applications in the electronics field. At present its use is for measure-

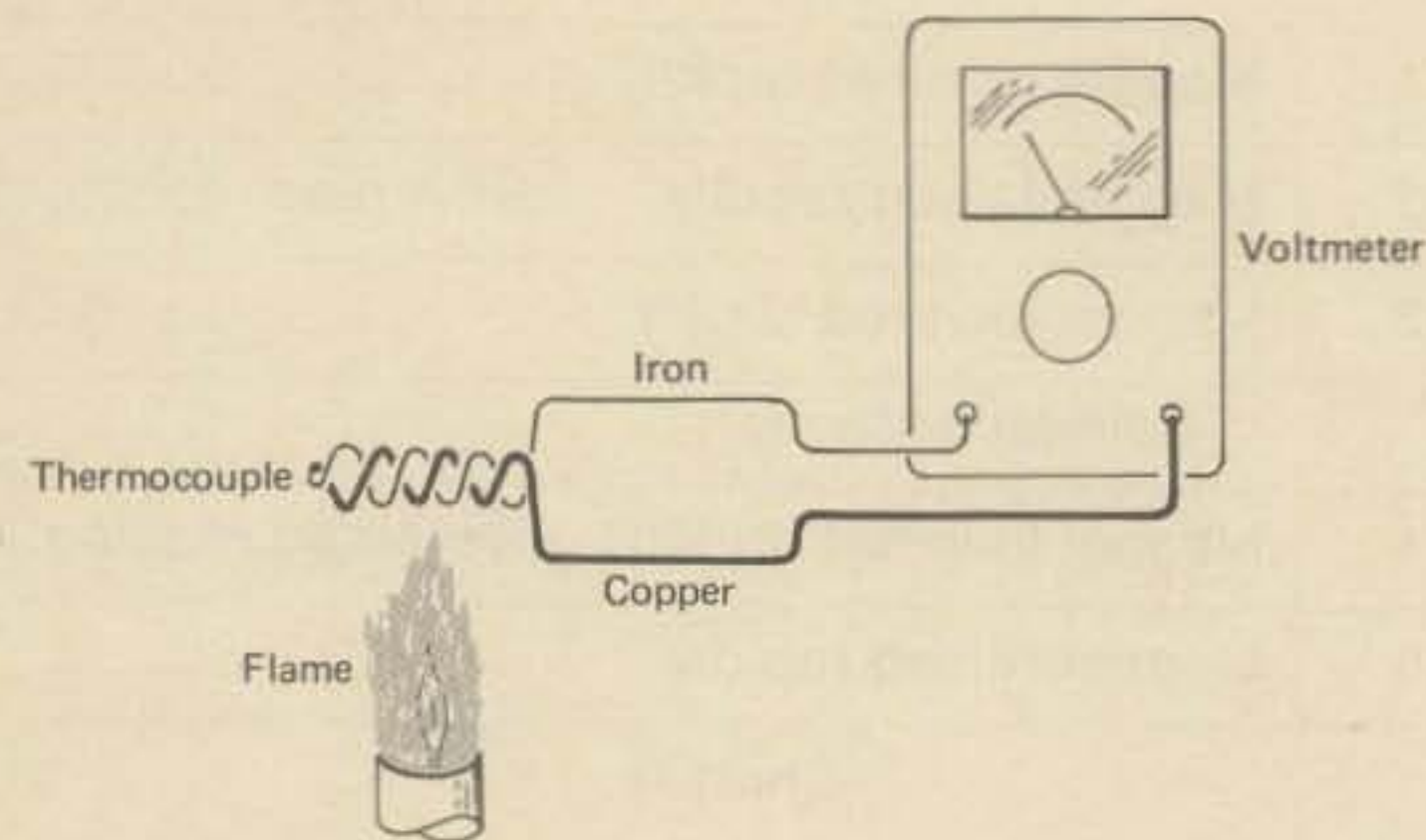


Fig. 1.14—A thermocouple formed by iron and copper wire generates enough voltage to produce a reading on the meter. The more heat the higher the voltage output of the Thermocouple.



Five methods of producing electricity, from left to right: chemical (battery); light (solar cell); magnetic coil and bar magnet; heat (thermocouple); an experimental battery consisting of two coins and a lemon.

ments rather than the generation of power. This is more fully explained below.

When two different metals such as iron (Fe) and Copper (Cu), as shown in Fig. 1.13, are placed in physical contact, the iron, which is most dense and whose electrons have the highest energy level, will move its free electrons into the copper. The copper

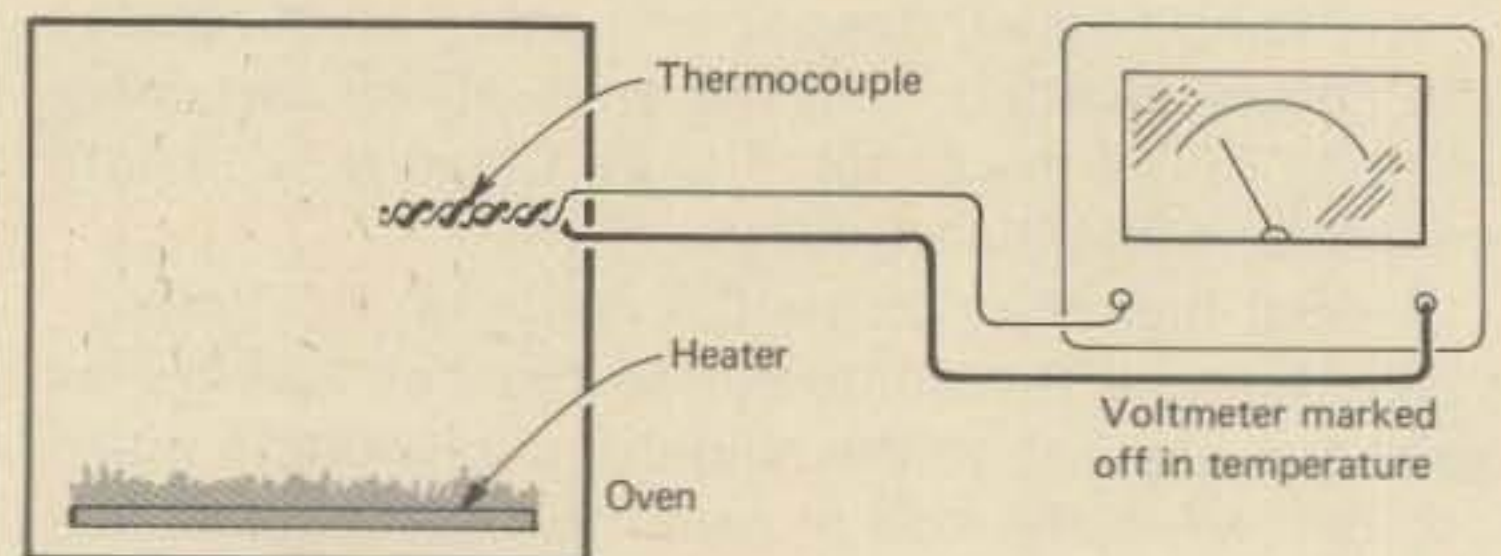


Fig. 1.15—A thermocouple and meter combination forms a pyrometer used to measure high temperatures at remote and difficult to reach places.

EXPERIMENT #2(C):

Generating Electricity Thermally

Material: VOM; 8" Lengths of Each—Aluminum, Copper and Iron Wire; Perforated Board, 6⁷/₈"x9³/₄"; Fahnestock clips (2); 1-Package 4/40 Round Head Screws, Radio Shack #64-3011; 1-Package 4/40 Hexagon Nuts, Radio Shack #64-3018.

Procedure:

1—Mount two Fahnestock clips on the perforated board 3" apart as shown in Fig. 4.

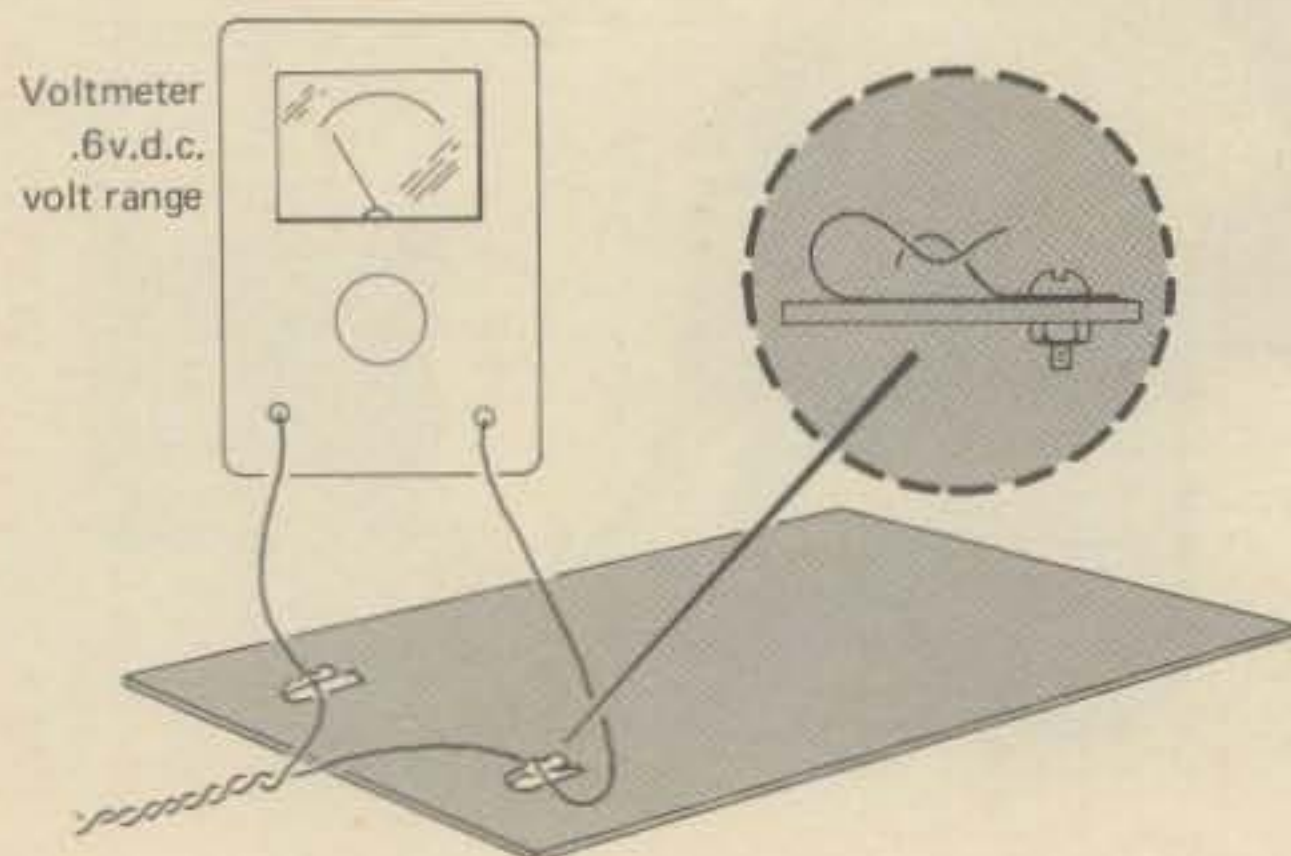


Fig. 4—Thermocouple set up on perforated board using Fahnestock clips.

2—Take an 8" length of bare copper wire and bare iron wire; place them alongside each other and twist one set of ends *very tightly* together for a length of 1".

3—Spread the two wires at the other end and slip them under the clips as shown in Fig. 4.

4—Connect the meter to the clips with the positive lead to the copper wire side.

5—Apply heat to the junction and observe the reading on the voltmeter. Enter the voltage reading in Chart III. NOTE: The amounts of voltage generated by this method are very small, in the range of 0.05 volts. In order to get even this small reading, it is necessary to heat the junction over the gas flame on a kitchen stove. Be careful.

6—Repeat the above procedure with copper and aluminum wires and then with copper and brass wire.

Wire Types	Voltage
Copper and Iron	_____ V.
Copper and Brass	_____ V.
Copper and Aluminum	_____ V.

Chart III

is less dense and its electrons have a lower energy level than those of the iron. This effect creates a shortage of electrons in the iron (a positive charge) and an excess of electrons in the copper (a negative charge). This causes a difference of potential between the two metals referred to as a *contact difference of potential*.

If the arrangement in Fig. 1.13(B) is heated, additional free electrons will be generated in the iron and cross over into the copper. This results in an increase in the voltage generated. As the temperature is increased the voltage generated increases and if the temperature is held constant, the voltage remains constant.

A more practical method of creating voltages thermally is shown in Fig. 1.14. Iron and copper wires are used to form a loop with a junction at one end and a voltmeter at the opposite end. When the twisted junction (called a *thermocouple*) is heated it produces a continuous flow of electrons from the iron to the copper at the junction. From the copper, the electrons flow around the outside wires and back to the iron. On the way, the electrons pass through the meter, indicating the strength of the difference of potential.

The thermocouple and meter combination can be used as a temperature indicator. This combination is called a *pyrometer* and is shown in Fig. 1.15. The higher the oven temperature, the greater the difference of potential generated by the thermocouple and the higher the meter reading. If the meter scale

EXPERIMENT #2(D):

Generating Electricity by Pressure

Material: VOM, Crystal Microphone or Crystal Phonograph Cartridge.

Procedure:

1—Set the VOM for 6 volts on the AC voltage range.

2—Using the alligator clips, connect to the microphone plug as shown in Fig. 5.

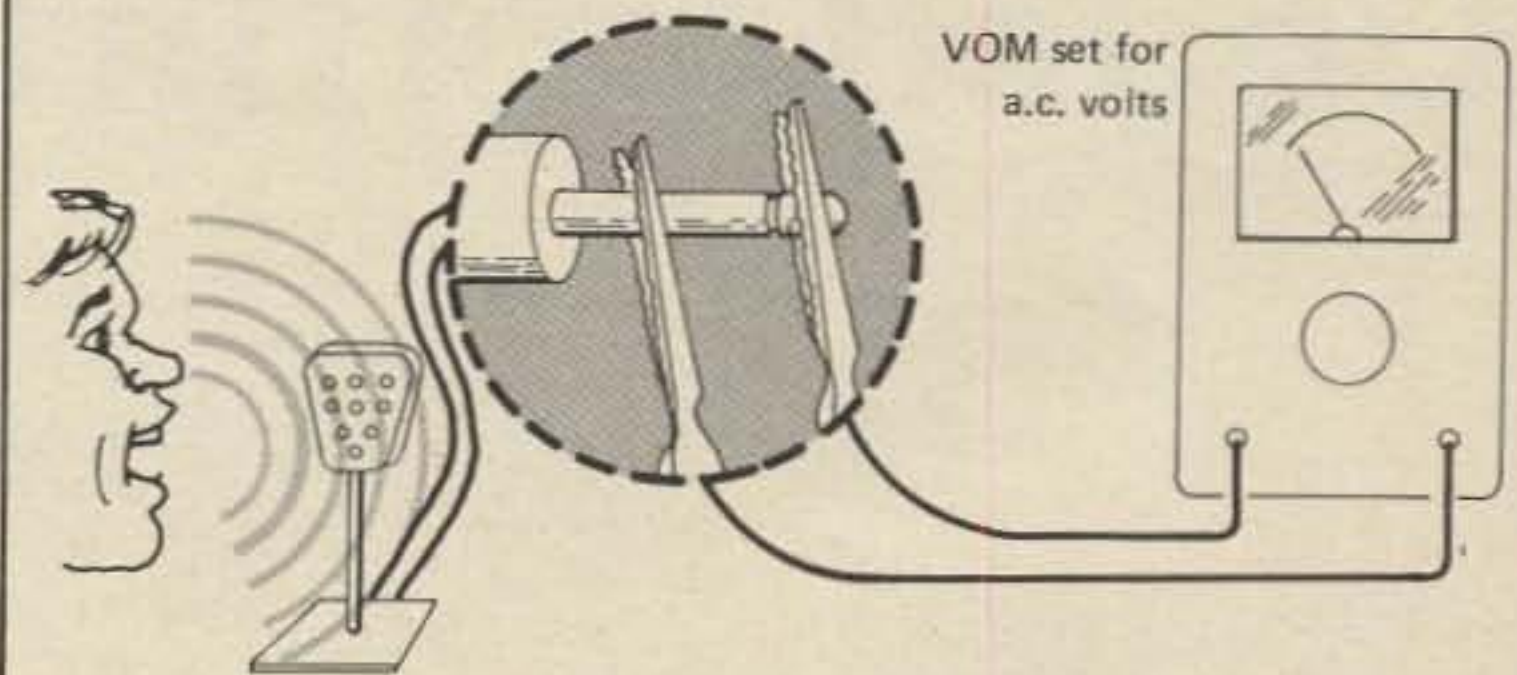


Fig. 5—Connecting the microphone to the voltmeter.

3—Shout, whistle or blow into the microphone and note the meter reading.

The pressure of the sound waves on the crystal element in the microphone generates the voltage.

4—If you have a crystal phonograph cartridge connect that to the VOM, flick the needle with the tip of your finger and note the meter reading.

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EXPERIMENT #2(E):

Generating Electricity with Light

Material: VOM, Selenium Cell or Silicon Solar Cell.

Procedure:

1—Mount the selenium light cell between the two Fahnestock clips on the perforated board as shown in Fig. 6.

2—Connect the VOM also as shown in Fig. 6. Set the VOM for 60 VDC.

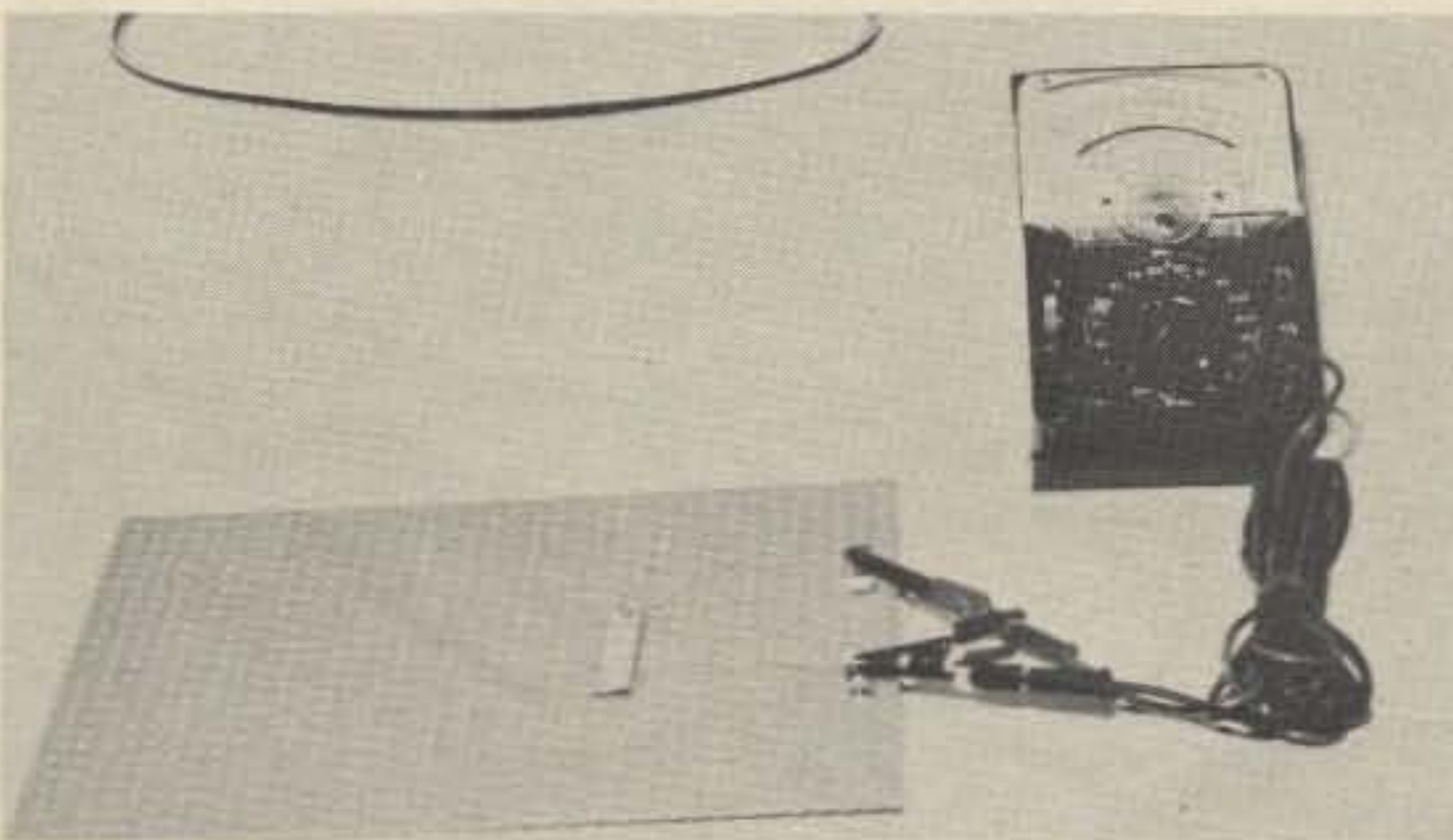


Fig. 6—How to connect the selenium light cell to the voltmeter.

3—Place the selenium cell under a strong light and gradually reduce the meter range until a good reading is obtained.

4—Vary the light intensity and note the effect on the meter reading.

SELF CHECK QUESTIONS, EXPERIMENT #2

- 1—What must you do if, when measuring a voltage, the meter reads backwards?
- 2—When generating a voltage using a magnet and a coil, how would you move the magnet to increase the voltage?
- 3—What causes a voltage to be produced from a crystal microphone when you speak into it?
- 4—How does the voltage output of the selenium cell relate to the light intensity?

ANSWER KEY: EXPERIMENT #2

- 1—Reverse the test lead connections.
- 2—Move the magnet more rapidly.
- 3—The pressure of the sound waves causes piezoelectric effect.
- 4—Directly; as you increase the light intensity you increase the voltage output of the cell.

CQ Reviews:

The Heathkit HD-1416

Code Oscillator

BY KIM SMITH*

Recently I decided to go for my Novice license. Being the Assistant Editor of CQ I am constantly dealing with amateur radio and therefore was interested in learning more. Especially in the operating end. My first priority, of course, was deciding on a practical method of learning. I've always preferred learning on my own at my own pace and therefore Heath's new Individual Learning Program kit (ER-3701) was ideal. My next step was to obtain a code oscillator for practice. Since I had the desire but no experience in construction, the Heath HD-1416 Oscillator made a perfect companion piece for the amateur radio course. As a matter of fact if you buy both at the same time there is a \$4.95 savings in the purchase price.

On examining the kit I found that regardless of my inexperience it was presented in such a clear and simple manner that I was able to assemble it

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The Heathkit HD-1416 Code Oscillator

with little difficulty. Every piece was clearly marked leaving no guess work. Everything is connected on one circuit board with full instructions on proper soldering techniques. There are three transistors in the circuit, two are a astable multivibrator and the third is the amplifier.

The kit took approximately 3 hours to construct. Upon completion I hooked it up to a 9 volt battery (not included) and to my surprise it worked! In the case of it not working, Heath has a section in the manual on the most likely places to check for mistakes. The styling of the cabinet is compatible with the SB series of Heath amateur radio equipment, with a dark green front panel and a grey wrinkle finish cabinet. Four rubber feet prevent slipping.

The front panel features a volume control, ear-phone jack and binding posts for hooking up the key. There is a built in speaker and the tone control is located on the circuit board. It can vary the tone from 200-850 Hz. The external phone jack makes private listening possible. The key is external, light-weight and adjustable and should be mounted to a board or even a desk top for ease in keying. The cabinet measures 4 $\frac{1}{8}$ " wide x 2 $\frac{5}{8}$ " high x 4 $\frac{3}{8}$ " deep and weighs 12 ounces.

The Heath HD-1416 Code Oscillator kit sells for \$9.95 (plus shipping). Their ER-3701 Novice Course sells for \$24.95 (plus shipping). Remember if you buy both at the same time the cost is \$29.95 (plus shipping).

In a future issue I will evaluate the Heath (ER-3701) Novice kit and let you know the results. Heath must be pretty confident because they guarantee results. If you don't pass the Novice exam you get a full refund.

For the true beginner in amateur radio these kits will prove to be an invaluable aid. ■

Antennas

Design, construction, fact, and even some fiction

"I still can't get over the idea of using an underground receiving antenna," exclaimed Pendergast. He slipped the earphones off his head and rubbed his ears, which were still ringing from the rifle-shot QRM that filled the 160 meter band during the warm, daylight hours. "And I don't understand how anybody can hear anything through this summer QRM," he added.

"It should be dropping off by now," I replied. "Wait until October. Things will be better by then."

"By the way, here's W1BB's 160 meter newsletter. It has some information on underground antennas. And they're not a joke. According to the newsletter, K7LFY uses one, and has done so for over two years. According to K7LFY they improve the signal-to-noise ratio, eliminate a lot of vertically polarized noise and reduce local ground wave signals. All of this makes the underground antenna a good receiving antenna for weak DX signals. Bob uses buried dipoles which are about one to four feet below the surface. The optimum length works out to be only about 0.33 of the free space length. Thus, for 1825 kHz, the underground dipole is only about 85 feet long overall. And, interestingly enough, the dipole seems to be directional off the ends. What do you think about that?"

"From what I hear, the whole idea of underground receiving antennas seems controversial. Some fellows have had no luck with them. Maybe it depends upon soil conductivity. In any event, they're cheap and easy to install. It may be interesting to try one out for 80 or 160 meters this coming winter DX season."

"Right," I replied. "I understand that W7QID has had good results with an underground receiving antenna for trans-pacific DX. So we have a lot to look forward to. The last word hasn't been said yet about these funny antennas."

"Before we leave 160 meters, you might be interested in these two an-

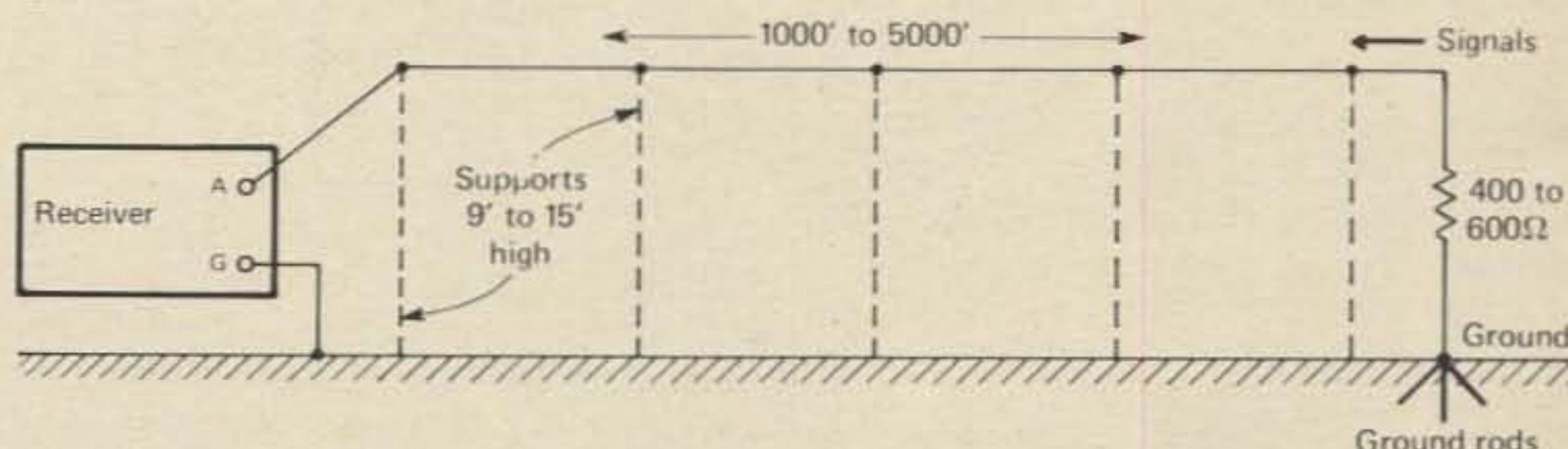


Fig. 1—The single wire Beverage antenna is useful for 160 meter DX. The directivity is from the far end towards the receiver. The antenna is terminated with a non-inductive resistor whose value can be varied to provide the best front-to-back reception ratio.

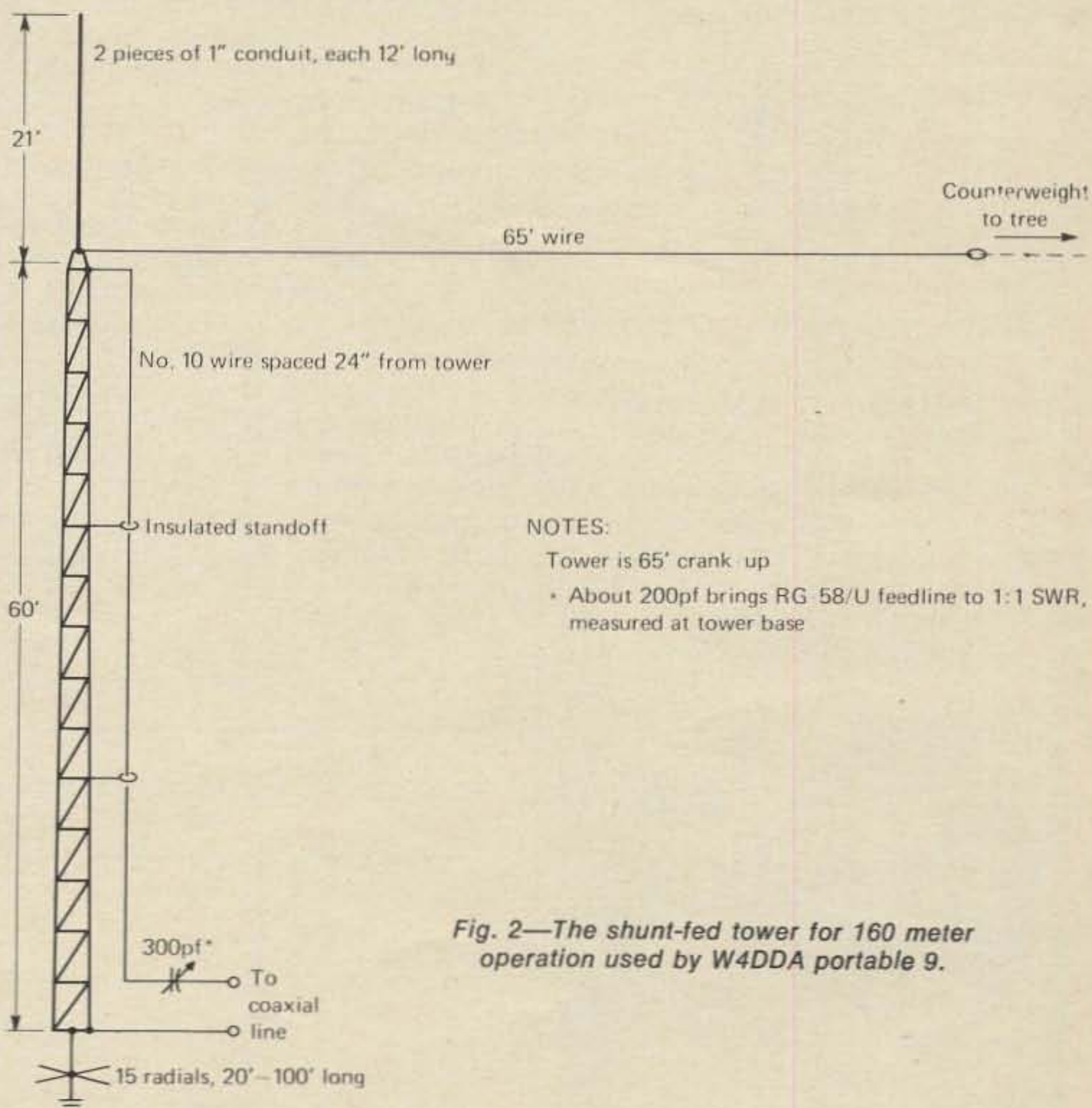


Fig. 2—The shunt-fed tower for 160 meter operation used by W4DDA portable 9.

tennas recommended by W1BB," I said. "The first one is a simple Beverage wire for receiving. It was used by Paul Godley at Androssan, Scotland in 1921 for the very first recep-

tion of trans-atlantic amateur signals. And some 160 Meter DX enthusiasts still use it today (fig. 1). It is directional off the far end. Basically, it is a terminated long wire. The terminating

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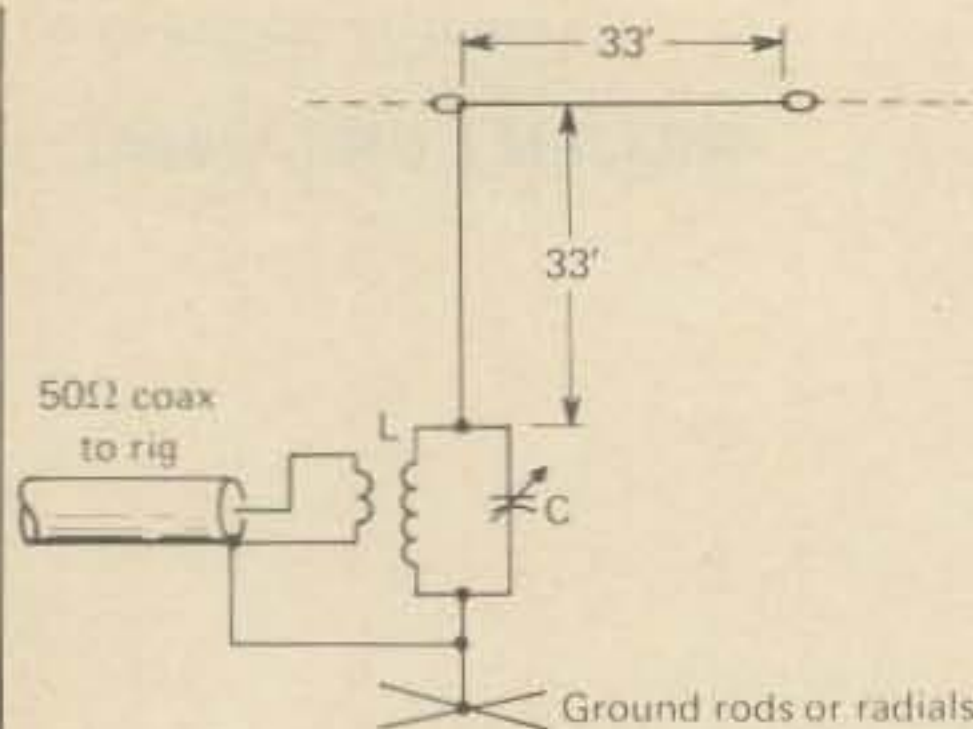


Fig. 3—The 40 meter antenna of W5AG. The L-C circuit resonates to 40 meters. W5AG suggests the use of an old pre-war Barker and Williamson end-link 75 watt plug-in coil.

resistor can be varied for best front-to-back ratio. It takes a lot of space, but it could be run along a fence, or something like that.

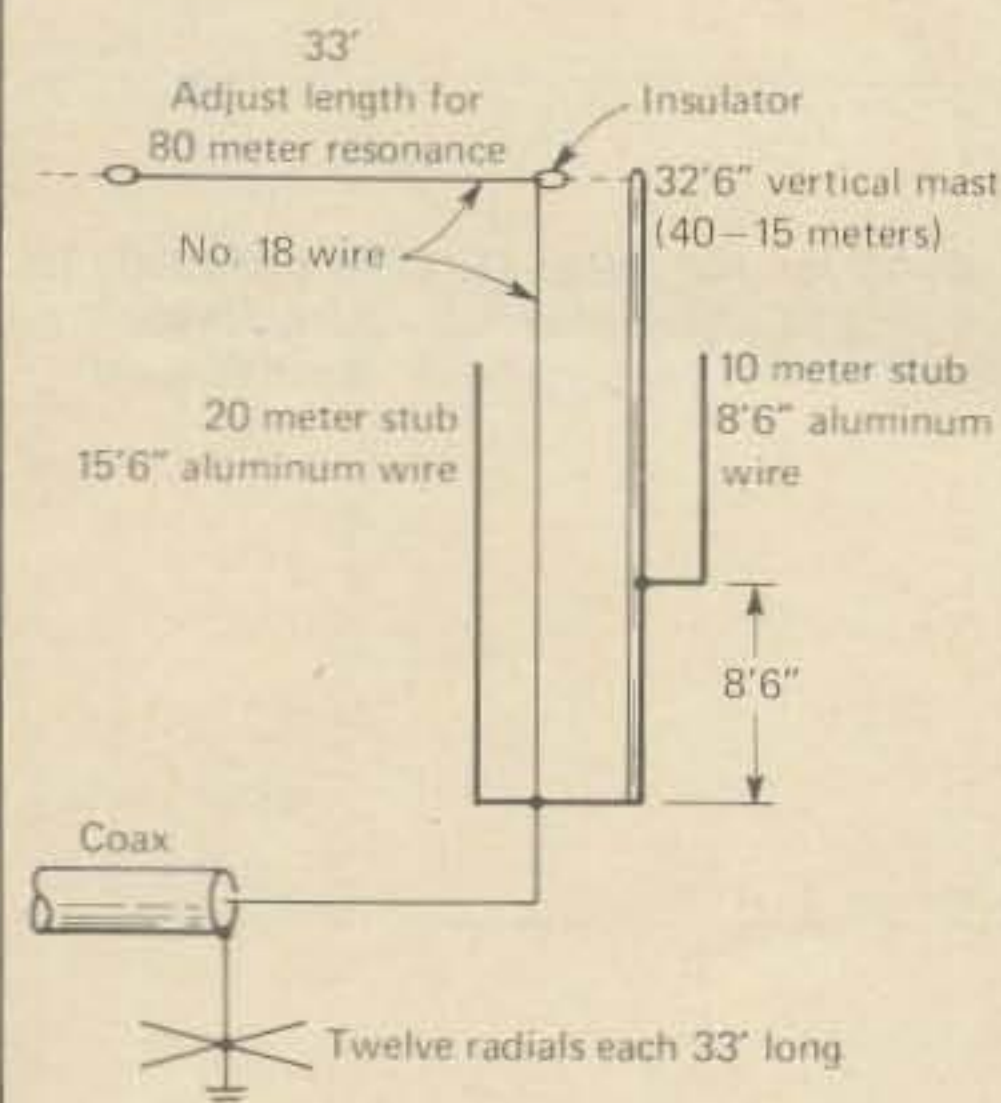


Fig. 4—The new multiband antenna at WA3GJA for 80 thru 10 meter operation.

“The second antenna probably appeals to more DXers as it can be erected on a small lot. Basically, it is a shunt-fed tower, with a top loading wire (fig 2). This antenna is used for 160 meter DX by W4DAA/9 who

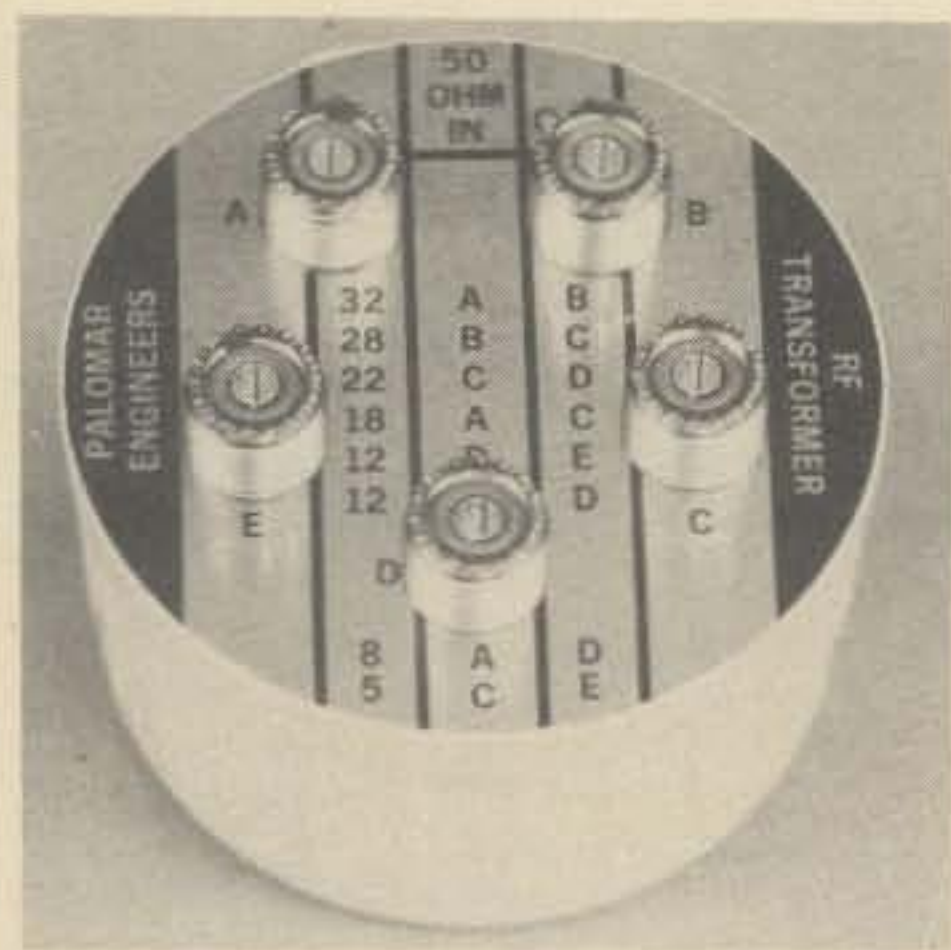


Fig. 5—The Palomar balun matches a coaxial line to load impedances of 5, 8, 12, 18, 22, 28 or 32 ohms.

really puts out a potent signal on that band.”

My friend sighed. “It seems to me that 160 meter DX antennas are a formidable undertaking.”

“They can be,” I agreed. “Ernie, K1PBW, has two 110-foot, phased vertical antennas over an extensive ground plane. He can switch the phasing and gets a front-to-back ratio of nearly 18 db. And Earl, K6SE, uses a similar setup. They use lots of radials. Plenty of height. And plenty of DX-know-how.”

“Well, how about the rest of us?”, demanded Pendergast. “How about the feller with a poor ground, and not much space in the back yard?”

I looked at the mail on the desk. “Here’s a letter from Sam, W5AG. He’s got a very simple antenna for 40 meters. He says it is a variation of the old “30 up and 30 out” used by DXers in the “thirties.” It gets the current point up in the air and has very low ground loss. Basically, it is a full-wavelength L-antenna, fed at the bottom (fig. 3). Sam says a super-ground is not needed, as the ground current is very low. He uses three ground rods. The tuned circuit is resonant at the operating frequency and antenna dimensions are not critical. It should work well for either 40, 80 or 160 meters.”

“Nice,” exclaimed Pendergast. “I can understand this!”

“And here’s a simple antenna for 40 and 15 meters,” I remarked, drawing a quick sketch in my logbook. A 40 meter dipole really doesn’t work very well on 15 meters, even though it is supposed to. This design, shown in the Japanese magazine, *CQ-Ham Radio* is claimed to provide good results on both bands. Note that it is a loaded dipole for 40 meters, with the a tip section electrically discon-

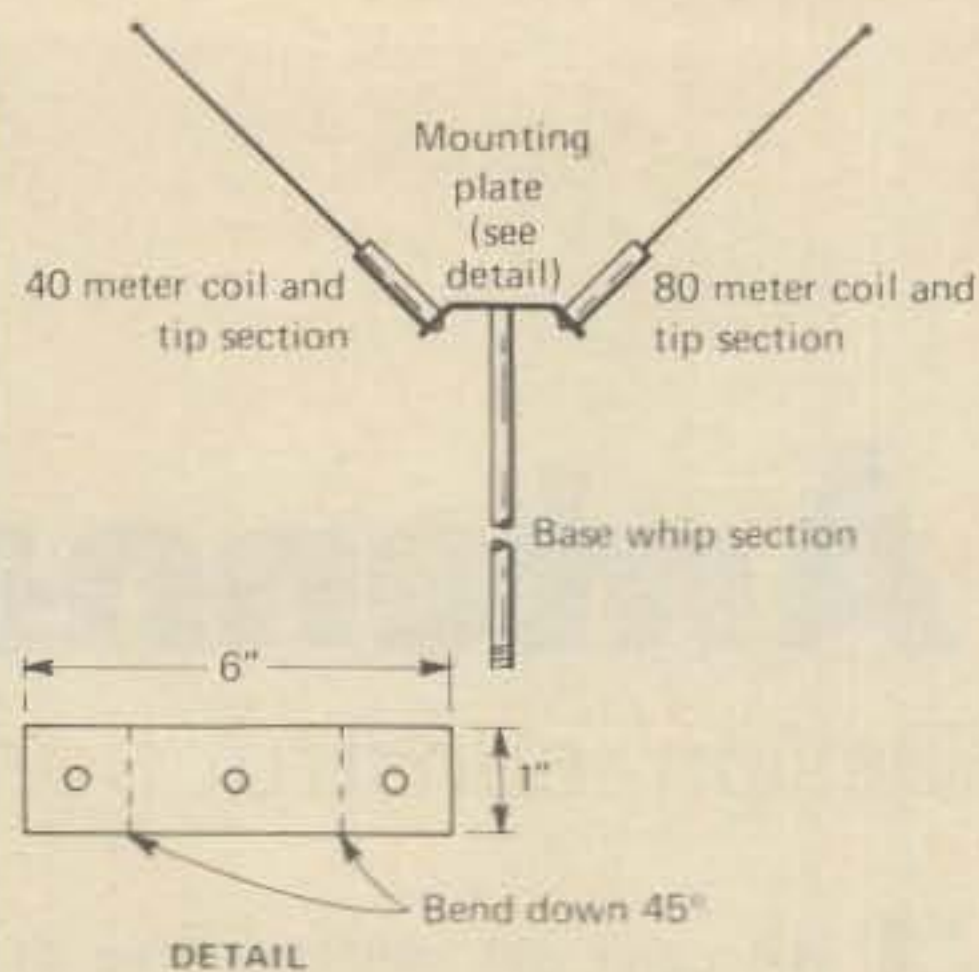


Fig. 6—Two band operation with a modified mobile whip antenna. Separate antenna tips and loading coils are mounted to a base whip section by means of an aluminum mounting plate. The plate measures 6" x 1". The tip sections are adjusted for proper resonance.

nected for 21 MHz operation by the inductor. The s.w.r. is less than 1.6-to-1 over both bands. I would think that this would make a nice DX antenna for Novices.

“I also received a note from Mike, WA3GJA, who comments on his antenna, which I discussed in the August, 1976 column. Since then, Mike has been doing more work on his installation, and has ended up with the antenna shown in fig. 4. This antenna works on all bands between 80 and 10 meters with no traps or loading coils. It uses tuning stubs, much in the manner of the Hy-Gain “Hi-tower” antenna system. Basically, Mike’s antenna is a 40-meter vertical, which also operates on the third harmonic for 15 meter work. Connected in parallel with it is a quarter-wave wire for 80 meters. The wire runs up the 40 meter antenna,

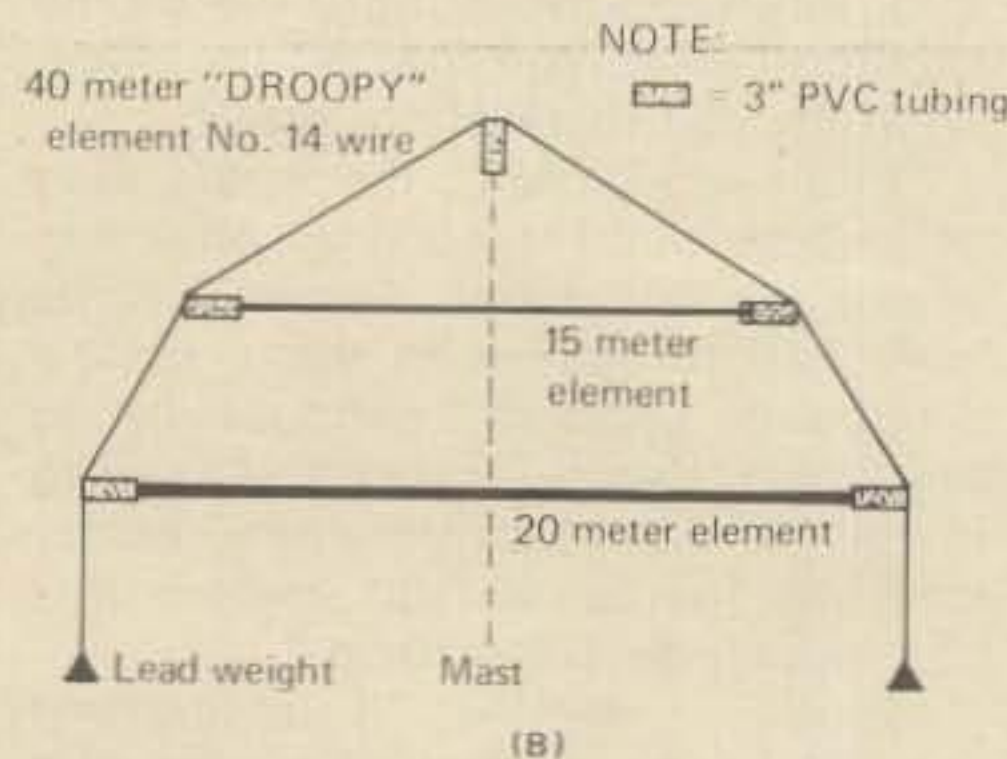
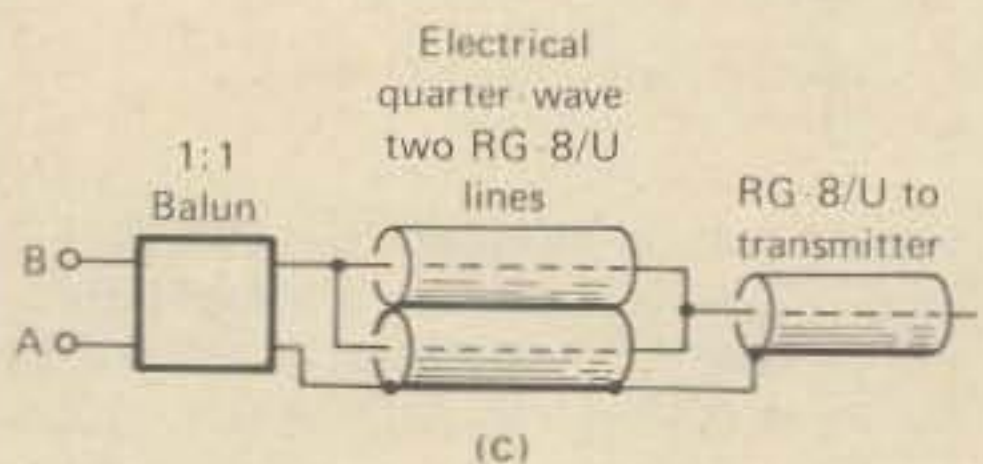
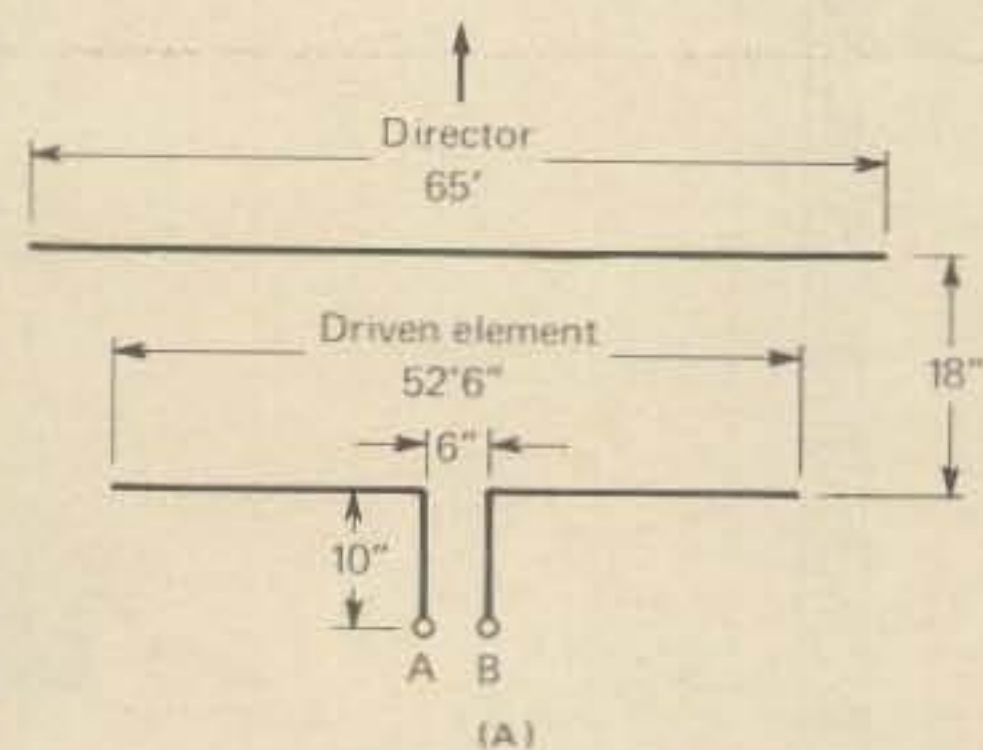


Fig. 7—The W6RRT “droopy beam” antenna for 40 meters (Courtesy of *The National Contest Journal*). (A)—Length of wire elements. (B)—Physical layout of the beam. (C)—Feed system.

which is made of three sections of aluminum TV mast. The wire is held free of the mast by means of TV-type "eye" insulators which are strapped to the mast. The wire then runs from the top of the mast to a nearby tree.

"Separate stubs are attached to the mast at the appropriate points to provide resonant elements for 10 and 20 meters. The stubs are made of wire and are held in position by the TV "eye" insulators. Mike uses aluminum TV ground wire for the stubs and makes sure that the top of the stubs—which are "hot"—are in the clear and that the TV stand-off insulators are placed a foot or two down from the top of the stub. Stub length is trimmed for best s.w.r. on the individual band.

"At the bottom of the antenna, Mike has laid out twelve radials, each 33 feet long, on the ground. He feeds it at the base with a 50 ohm coaxial line through an s.w.r. meter."

"I wonder if he gets a good match on each band?", murmured my friend, as he sketched the antenna in his notebook.

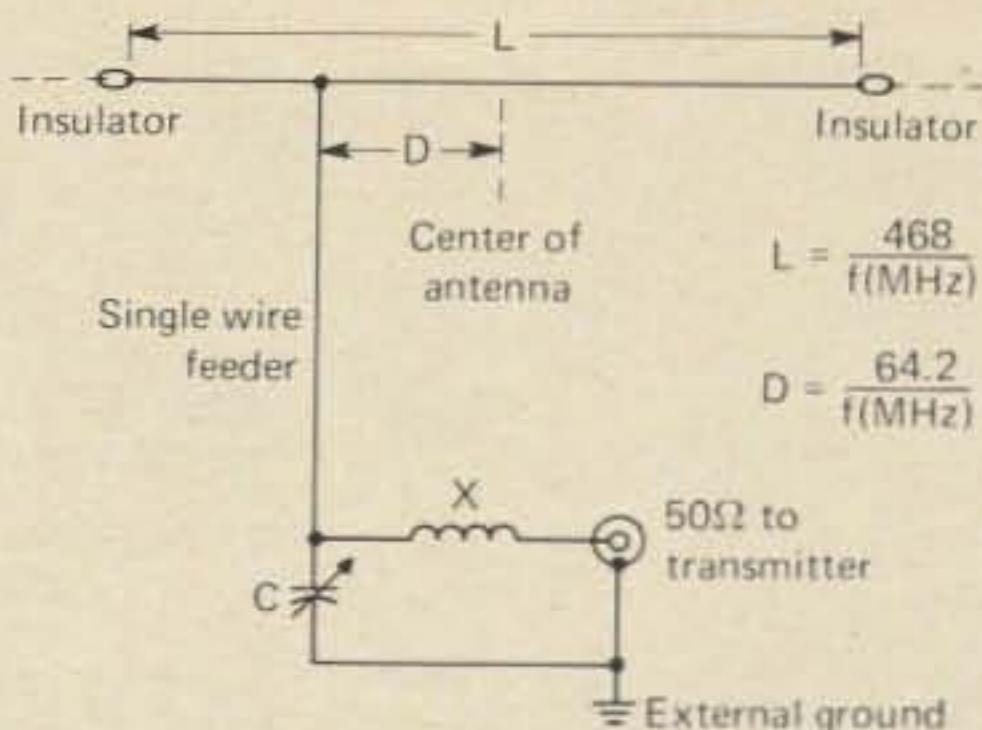
"I don't know", I replied. "But in any case, impedance matching on any multi-band antenna can turn out to be a problem. Its not bad on this type of antenna, but can get tricky with more exotic designs. You'll be interested in this new wideband transformer (fig. 5). It will match a 50 ohm line to load impedances of 5, 8, 12, 18, 22, 28 or 32 ohms, unbalanced. Now, that's not a bad deal at all! It will handle full power over the frequency range of one to 30 MHz. And its only about 3½" in diameter. And it is made by Palomar Engineers."

"It should be good for matching a mobile whip antenna, too", observed my friend.

"Yes, and that reminds me of a stunt that can be used for portable operation", I replied. "Some amateurs use a mobile whip antenna for portable operation when they are away from home, in a motel, or whatever. And this idea can work in a mobile home or in an apartment house where the landlord frowns on amateur antennas.

"Briefly, the idea is to mount two or more mobile loading coils and top sections on one whip base for multi-band operation (fig. 6). The loading coil and top section for each band are mounted on an aluminum plate which is bolted to the top of the base section of the antenna. Each top section, in combination with the appropriate coil and base section makes up a resonant circuit which operates over a range of frequencies in a

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Band	L	D	X	C
1.8MHz	160'0"	35'6"	16.0μh	480pf
3.7MHz	126'6"	18'0"	8.0μh	240pf
40 meters	66'0"	9'0"	4.0μh	120pf
20 meters	33'0"	4'6"	2.0μh	60pf
15 meters	22'3"	3'0"	1.5μh	45pf
10 meters	16'0"	2'3"	1.0μh	30pf

Fig. 8—The single-wire fed antenna of 1929 adapted to a modern 50 ohm feed system. This antenna also works well on the second harmonic.

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Awards

News of certificate and award collecting

Here is the September "Story of The Month" as told by Ed:

Ed. Schellenberg, VE4EL
All Counties #157, 9-22-760

"April 11th, 1931 was my birth date and I grew up on a "mixed" farm near Steinbach, Manitoba. Very early in life, I discovered that I was not cut out to be a farmer. It had always appeared to me that teachers had an easy time of it, what with two months holiday in the summer and all, so I tried it. The authorities first assigned me to a snake infested area in the wilderness where I almost came down with cabin fever. My next school was located even further North where I did contact cabin fever. Anyway, I learned that I had misjudged the teaching profession very badly and I continued my search for an easy career.

"Playboy magazine would not accept me as a staff photographer. You wouldn't believe the letters I got in reply to my application as a male model.

"Eventually, an opening as a Public Health Inspector in the Civil Service caught my eye, and with visions of all those good looking waitresses looking at me in awe while carrying out restaurant inspections, I applied and was accepted.

"My girl chasing days ended when I met Ruth, my WIFE. We have two

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Ed. Schellenberg, VE4EL.

Special Honor Roll All Counties

#167 Rudolph E. Veverka,
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beautiful daughters who have brought us unlimited pleasure.

"The work has taken us throughout Manitoba and Ontario. In 1965 we were transferred to Brandon. We did not know anyone in this City so Ruth enrolled in an adult-education course for something to do. I thought this was a good idea and I enrolled in a radio class which turned out to be a course in amateur radio. In 1966 I received my license and became thoroughly hooked on this hobby.

"There was no lack of friends once I became an amateur. Among these friends was one VE4QZ, who introduced me to County Hunting. My first check-in on the County Hunters' Net was on December 24th, 1970 and my first mobile was W4MEA in Tennessee.

"On February 18th, 1973 I went on my first mobile trip. Since then I have given out counties in North Dakota, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Minnesota, South Dakota and Wyoming.

"In 1973 I was invited to become a 'Lion'. In 1975 the Club honored me with the Presidency and County Hunting took second place. This was the only reason VE4QZ beat me to the USA-CA All Counties Award! (ATTENTION LIONS everywhere: I am very interested in exchanging Lions Pins and/or Banners).

"Ruth and I hope to repay many of you who helped us to obtain #157 by giving out many counties on future trips."

Awards Issued

Rudy Veverka, WØFBB made the big climb for USA-CA-3000 and All Counties.

George Dunn, WBØJYB acquired USA-CA-2500 endorsed All SSB.

Bob McCarthy, WA1UVX found time to apply for USA-CA-500 and USA-CA-1000 endorsed All SSB; All Mo-

biles and All 14MHz; also USA-CA-1500.

Ron Toller, W4MNZ obtained USA-CA-1500 endorsed All SSB.

Richard Peterson, W4KFA was issued USA-CA-500 endorsed All SSB.

Ivo Sarcevic, YU2OB received #4 USA-CA-500 to Yugoslavia, the others were YU1AG, YU1BCD and YU2QZ.

Jim Navary, WA4TZM qualified for USA-CA-500.

Awards

THE 49 MHz RADIO CLUB has two new Awards for Radio Operators:

Award For Public Service (APS): to be issued to those using two-way radio to perform a public service. Public service includes communications for community activities, sporting events, motor racing, traffic handling, etc.

The certificate is about 8½x11 inches, blue with black printing, suitable for framing. Send data on event, name, address, and \$2.00 for each AWARD to: 49 MHz Radio Club, P.O. Box 1400, Downey, California 90240.

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3. American (USA) Amateurs must submit postmarked QSL cards as proof of two-way contacts with Amateurs in all ten (1 through 0) USA districts.
4. The postmarked envelope may be sent with a card which is not postmarked.
5. Cards from W6LS and W6LS members (who use club cards) do not have to be postmarked.
6. DX Amateurs can have their cards or logs verified by their local Amateur Radio clubs. The signed and verified list is acceptable in lieu of postmarked cards or envelopes.
7. QSL cards (if provided) are returned to you at no extra cost. The cards and Award are mailed separately at the same time. The



Emergency Communications Award (ECA) of the 49'er Radio Club.

cards are usually received before the Award.

8. All ten contacts must have been made from the same callsign area, such as W6, G3, VU2, etc. However, these contacts do not have to be from one location in the callsign area.
9. Contacts can be to or from fixed, mobile, portable, or fixed-portable stations. Contacts count for the callsign area in which they are made.
10. If your callsign has changed, your previous contacts still count if they were made from your present callsign area.
11. Cross-band and cross-mode contacts are accepted.
12. Contacts do not have to be after any specific beginning date nor before any closing date.
13. Hawaii (KH6) counts for the 6th district and Alaska (KL7) is in the 7th USA district.
14. Hand-printed endorsements will be added (at your request) for operating distinctions such as Bicentennial, Code, One-band, Oscar, QCWA, QRP, RTTY, SOWP, SSTV, and YL. Naturally, the cards you submit must support your operating achievement request. one can request separate TAD Awards for each operating achievement.

USA-CA Honor Roll

3000	1500	500
WØFBB .186	WA1UVX .322	W4FKA .1174
2500	W4MNZ .323	WA1UVX .1175
WBØJYB .236	1000	YU2OB .1176
	WA1UVX .436	WA4TZM .1177

15. Application must be accompanied by one dollar (USA) to pay award costs and postage. Payment can be by IRCs, cash, check, or USA stamps.

The TAD Award is in memory of Tadpole, a Beagle dog who considered himself a W6LS club member. Tad liked the sound of code and he spent more time at W6LS than most members. Tad belonged to Marie (W6JEP) and Bill (W6DDB) Welsh and his full name was Tadpole, which was also the name of President Abraham Lincoln's youngest son. A tadpole is a baby frog (pollywog) with a large tail for a body and Tad had a tail which he whirled around like an airplane propeller. Tad was born in 1961 and he died in 1974, he was an extremely intelligent animal with real Class. (Thanks to Tom Sundstrom, WB2AYA for the data on the TAD Award).

Ten-Ten International Net, Inc.: As mentioned the past two months, this organization was organized to keep

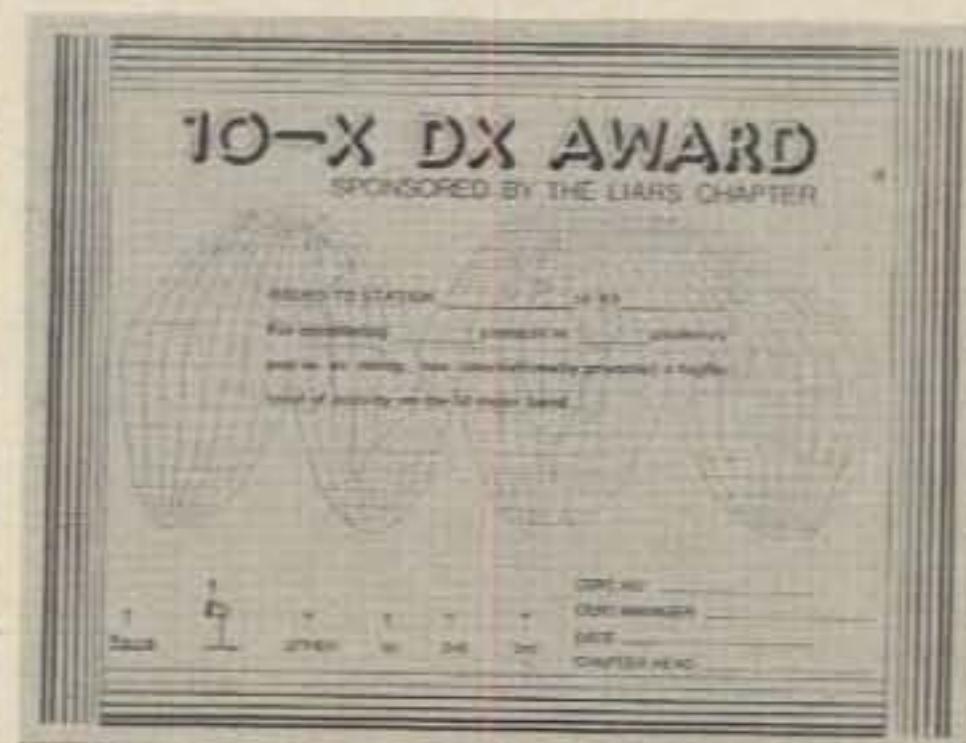


10-X Senior Liars Award

10 meters alive, and they issue some 110 10-X Awards to **Members:** If interested, read either of my last two columns for data or joining **Senior Liars Award:** This Award is sponsored by the Liars Chapter of the 10-X International which meets each Thursday at 8:00 P.M. Eastern Time on 28.620 SSB. To qualify, collect a total of 60 points of Liars Certificate holders. Point system: Liars Award number followed by an "A" = 1 point; Super Liars number = 2 points; Local Liars number (no "A") = 3 points; Senior Liars number = 4 points. Cost is \$1.00 send requests to Jack Banzer, W2KDI, 15 Langdon Blvd., Rockville Centre, New York 11570.

Liars 10-X DX Award: This Award is also sponsored by the Liars Chapter of the 10-X International. To qualify, list 15 confirmed contacts with 15 different 10-X stations in 15 different countries (ARRL List) made on or after July 1, 1973. Cards need not be sent, but must be in the possession of the applicant. A statement signed by 2 other licensed amateurs to that effect must be included. Cards may be sent with sufficient postage for their return. Alternate: List 50 10-X DX contacts with log information. Cost is \$1.00. Award Manager: M. R. Condon, K9EGA/2, 519 Franklin Terrace, Wyckoff, New Jersey 07481. Endorsements at 50, 75 and 100.

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Liars 10-X DX Award.

QRP

The art of very low power operating

Operatings News and Misc.

I've done it again! Several fellows at Dayton pointed out that I've been grinding out all this technical stuff for some time now, and that a few columns written by the fellows would certainly perk up interest in the human side of QRPp. I couldn't agree more. I suppose I just get all wrapped up in working on the technical side of things and forget that it can turn into rather stuffy reading month after month. So, here goes with odds and ends from the QRPp gang.

WB4ZOJ (Warren Flynn, 17-A Atlanta View, Lithia Springs, GA 30057): I've been waiting to write until I had some meaningful data for you. Well OM, the results are in—QRPp does have its place, if for no other reason than the performance of small miracles! I got my Novice ticket last December, and just got my General one week ago (March). During my short amateur career, me and my HW-8 have racked up 37 states (27 confirmed) and four countries. I first tried feeding a Gotham V-160 vertical. I got my WAS-QRPp-20 award with this multiband stick and a junkbox QRP transmatch (from the *ARRL Handbook*, 1976 ed, p. 350). I initially

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Skip Westrich, WB8OWM, shown at his QRPp operating position, apparently very happy about working a new one. Skip has recently taken to playing the harmonica while listening for KL7 and KH6, the last two states needed to complete his WAS-QRPp.

mounted the vertical on a 40 ft. mast. Then I tried working it against my mobile-home roof, with no noticeable improvement. But the fact remained that peanut power could not light up a short vertical. So now I have a 400 ft. endfed longwire strung up in the woods and DX is no longer a myth at this station. Read your recent article about QRPp mobile work (actually, I read all your columns) and may give that a try soon. But I sometimes get so excited running QRPp QSO's that I may become a traffic hazard—HI!! Well OM, I have a full-size 80 meter vertical outside waiting to be completed, so I'll QRT and wish you 73."

WB8VMF (Jan Kemp, 1916 Malvern Ave., Dayton, OH 45406): I talked to you at Dayton last year about QRPp, and at that time I hadn't been in QRPp very long. I'm still a Novice and work QRPp about 90% of my operating time. My rig is a Heath HW-8 and I just love it. QRPp is a bit rough since there is a 250 watt power limit in the Novice bands. My best contact so far is KV4CK, St. Croix, on 15 meters using my 40 meter Inverted Vee at 37 ft., with about 2.5 watts output. Doc gave me an RST of 549. He was also QRPp with an Argonaut and a beam antenna. That's about 1875 miles. I gave him a 569. Just had to tell you about it, as I am very proud of that QSL! Enjoy your column very much. Best 73."

WB5YHN (Frank Olson, 12506 Overcup, Houston, TX 77024). As a new subscriber to *CQ* and a reborn amateur (formerly K5IGA), I have really enjoyed your articles on QRPp. It is a column unique to *CQ* and I hope the ranks of QRPp'ers will swell. I know I do everything I can to interest people in QRPp. I happened upon QRPp quite by chance. After being out of amateur radio for 15 years, I got interested in it again. All I could scrounge up from my old gear was an old rock-bound DX-35. A friend of mine sold me his used HW-7 (3 watts) which I got for the receiver portion of the unit. When the power transformer melted in the DX-35, I decided

to try the HW-7 transmitter. I was amazed. By following Heath's suggestion of doing more listening than calling, and working after about 10 p.m. and early in the morning, I began to make about one QSO for every three calls. In addition, the reports I received were almost as good as those I sent. And were all my reports 2's and 3's? No, as I've had my share of 57-599's as far as 2000 miles away! I do most of my operating on 40 meters but have built a homebrew 15 meter, 4 element beam (that works sometimes!) and when it works I've had some great results. In three months I've worked about 30 states and four countries and I have every confidence that I can work WAS and do my share of DX on QRPp. I've received letters from guys who have said they have an old QRPp rig collecting dust or on a shelf, but after QSO'ing me, they've broken out the QRPp rig and started using it again. Some have made their first QSO's with QRPp after talking to me. It seems that the main problem with guys trying to use QRPp is that they do a lot of calling and not enough listening. Sometimes when there isn't much action, I decide to call CQ, but never seem to get much response (1 to 10 ratio QSO/CQ call) as opposed to 1 in 3 when listening and calling. I was particularly interested in your Oct./Nov. articles on DX and propagation. Unfortunately, I did not receive my copies until near the end of December (too late for the *CQ* WW DX Test), but it will come in handy in the future I'm sure. I've experienced the pipeline effect that you speak of and was fascinated by your comments on it. Keep up the good work and 73."

KA6DX/N1DX (Jack Corson, PSC Box 25913, APO S.F. 96230). After many years of high-power DX'ing, I have discovered the joys (and frustrations) of QRPp. I built the Heath HW-8 and have been using it for several weeks now from my QTH here on Okinawa. I was amazed to work 18 countries in my first 3 weeks of



great delight from a 579 report from a kw station in FLA using a quad at 75 ft.! I must note that my main station is the SB-401 and SB-313. Come summer, I will have an a.c. power source and it will be interesting to see if 170 watts input can work DX on my well-crib vertical. I use no radials with the vertical, and my conclusion is that the water itself is a massive radial system beneath the surface at many different levels. I've been somewhat brief in this note. The two problems up here are lightning and much wind, so this antenna is to be ideal so far. It's a glorified ground rod! 73."

Radio Shack Power Supply

An old QRP buff and friend K4COR and I hooked up in January while I was testing out the HW-8 on 40 m. First time in about two years due to my inactivity. It was a nice long rag-chew with two-way QRP. Pike sends in the following circuit and comments.

K4COR (Alan Pike, 689 Rolling-



"It's hard to believe you worked coast to coast with that!"

wood Dr., Stone Mountain, GA 30087): "Sure was great to run into you again today after such a long "dry spell." Your HW-8 sounds first-rate and I envy you—hope to eventually end up with one myself someday. I've accumulated quite an assortment of QRP gear now: my trusty MFJ-40T, a PM-3A, an antique Hallicrafters HT-18 v.f.o. (circa 1950) claiming 4 watts output, a copy of the MFJ-40T plus built-in power supply, and my original 6T9 "one-lunger" tube rig. A majority of my QRP operating time is on 40 m around 7040 kHz. I've even attempted some 200 mw stuff with moderate success.

Here's an ultra simple 12 v.d.c. supply capable of furnishing up to 1 amp with excellent regulation. This supply fully accommodates my MFJ-40T or PM-3A. I've also built this supply into the same cabinet as a copy of the MFJ-40T circuit, giving me a nifty package. The supply goes together easily, and, to avoid the hassle of hunting parts, everything can be found at the local Radio Shack or similar parts emporium.

Parts placement is not critical. I've used the bottom of the chassis for a heat sink and dropped a screw thru the tab of the voltage regulator IC (7812) and secured it with a nut. I did find the 7812 in the TO-220 type case (tab at the end instead of a hole in the center of the IC package) performs more reliably. A dab of heat-sink compound between the IC and chassis is a good idea! Approximate cost is \$15.00 including cabinet. Fig. 1 shows the circuit, and the caption gives the parts list. If you can use this in your column or shack, you are welcome to it. Hope to hear your QRP signals again soon!"

W1EXZ (Bob Curtis, 17 Cobbleview Dr. Colchester, VT 05446): "Enjoyed reading your QRP column in the February CQ. I was particularly pleased to read about the QRP mobile operations by some of the gang. I have also done some QRP mobile operation with my Argonaut, although not as much as I had intended to do. Actually worked out quite well when I have tried it. On 20 s.s.b. I have worked FG7XA in Guadeloupe from the car, also a new country for me. I have also worked a VE7 on 20 s.s.b. mobile. One point in favor of QRP mobile is that, when parked, one does not have to keep the engine running. I found this makes QRP mobile operation sheer enjoyment, particularly if one picks a good quiet location to do some operating from. My regular mobile rig is a KWM-1, a permanent fixture in my car. It draws 25 amps on trans-

mit and 15 on receive! Besides that, it suffers from more motor noise than I like to admit. Imagine the joy of operating mobile with no noise, which one can do with the low-drain QRP set-up. 73 for now."

News

Good news for those of you who have been writing asking for a QRP section in CQ-sponsored contests! W8IMZ has assured me that we'll have a QRP section this season in the WPX Contest. Scoring will be the same as for QRO, but with a 5-watts output limit and separate listing section in the results. Awards and other details have yet to be worked out, but I hope it becomes a reality this time!

Watch for the forthcoming announcement of the first-ever DXCC MILLIWATT — about 120 countries have been worked on 1 watt, but about 6 cards remain to be collected for this break-thru!

Many of you have inquired about QRP awards and the QRP-ARC-I QRP club. This organization underwent some serious staff difficulty during the past two years, but is now getting underway again. It defines "QRP" as 100 watts and does not specifically apply to real QRP. However, it does offer several QRP awards: 1.) WAS-QRP certificate with endorsements at 20, 30, 40, and WAS states; 2.) KM/W, or the "kilometers per watt" award; 3.) WAC-QRP, or "worked all continents". Details on the awards from WA8CNN, Hugh Aeiker, 929 S. Park Rd., Charleston, WVA 25304.

The G-QRP-C, however, is a real QRP club (5 watts) and is based in England, but welcomes members from the U.S.A. It publishes a newsletter SPRAT which includes useful data. Not quite in *The Milliwatt's* league, but good. A number of awards as well as operating activities are sponsored by the G-QRP-C. U.S. QRP'ers are encouraged to join up by sending \$3.00 check or money order to the U.S. G-QRP-C representative W1EXZ, Bob Curtis, 17 Cobbleview Dr., Colchester, VT. 05446; the fee covers membership and the subscription to SPRAT, which is airmailed quarterly to U.S. members. New members are requested to include in their application their full name, QTH, and a brief outline of QRP interests, for use in the membership list. I fully support the G-QRP-C and am very pleased at the great success it has had in England and elsewhere on the continent.

QRP Calling Frequencies: c.w.—

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Novice

"How to" for the newcomer to Amateur radio

This is the last column submitted by Herb Brier just prior to his passing away last May. Next month Bill Welsh W6DDB, will take over as Editor of the Novice Column. Bill is very active with the Lockheed Amateur Radio Club (W6LS) and has helped countless people in getting their licenses. Bill says that he will carry on in the same tradition and format for the Novice Column as did Herb. You can start sending any Novice info and pictures to Bill at: 2814 Empire Ave., Burbank, California 91520.—Ed.

Sending and Receiving Code Signals in the Amateur Station

In a transmitter, an oscillator converts d.c. power into high-frequency a.c. power at the resonant frequency of its frequency-determining circuits. The a.c. signal is then amplified and fed to an antenna to be radiated. In simple code transmitters, the oscillator is often keyed directly. But keyed oscillators have two fundamental defects. Their signals chirp as the applied voltage rapidly rises and decays at the beginning and end of each dot and dash. The signals also click as the result of the rapid changes of voltage. The clicks can be controlled readily with capacitive-resistive filters in the keying circuit which introduce approximate 5-millisecond delays in the lines. The delay accentuates oscillator chirp, however.

In spite of its defects, oscillator keying is very popular in low power transmitters, especially on 3.5 and 7 MHz. When a low-power transmitter using oscillator keying is operated in conjunction with a separate receiver, each with its own antenna, the combination makes full "break-in" operation possible. Space the antennas far apart and run them at right angles to each other.

When the key is pressed, the receiver next to the transmitter will probably emit a squawk from its loudspeaker. But by turning the receiver

AGC/AVC knob to "Off" and carefully juggling its audio and r.f. gain controls, the receiver will not overreact to the transmitter signal, and sensitivity to outside signals will bounce back as soon as the key is released. This type of "break-in" operation¹ is quite usable on 80 and 40 meters, if the two antennas are well separated and the transmitter power is not too high. On the other hand, there is always a chance of damaging the receiver, if the transmitter power is too high. And on the higher frequencies, the operator may often wish he was sending and receiving on a common antenna. Fortunately, there is no law preventing an operator with two antennas from sending and receiving on the better one.

The Antenna Relay

An antenna changeover relay is usually required when the same antenna is used for sending and receiving. A few years ago, a suitable relay was big with large contacts. Today, however, almost any modern multi-contact relay with contacts capable of handling five amperes of current will do the job. By choosing a relay with several sets of contacts, several circuits can be switched simultaneously with the antenna, as is done in transceivers. See fig. 1.

Mount the relay in a small aluminum box with three SO-259 coaxial connectors mounted on the sides of the box near the set of contacts

¹By definition, "full break-in" means that two operators on the opposite ends of a radio contact can instantly interrupt each other's transmissions to get repeats and fills by sending a couple of "T's" or other letters, because they can hear each other between the dots and dashes of their own transmissions; therefore, their contacts are conversations, not alternate monologues.

"Semi-break-in" means when the operator actuates his key, all transmit and receive circuits automatically switch to "transmit" and stay there until he pauses a programmed length of time, after which the circuits switch back to "receive."

selected to switch the antenna. One coaxial connector accommodates the antenna—the movable relay contact. The second connector accommodates the receiver—fixed relay contact—and the third connector accommodates the transmitter output—normally-open relay contact. Phono type connectors may be substituted for the coaxial connectors for economy and compactness. It is a good idea to use shielded conductors to the other relay contacts and bypass the contacts to the shield braid with miniature .001- μ F ceramic capacitors. Choose the relay coil voltage to match your control circuit. Other things being equal, d.c. relays are quieter than a.c. types.

Fig. 2 illustrates a simple differential keying circuit for improving keyed-oscillator transmitters. When the key is pressed, the oscillator comes on immediately and stays on while



Hoppy Hopkins, WB5UJO, 111 Gift St., Marlin, Texas, 76661, has been a Novice almost two years, and has 821 contacts in five continents to prove it. Africa is the hold-out. His tools are a Drake T4C transmitter and R-4C receiver, a Hy-Gain TH-6-DXX, Tribander, and a 67-foot "trap" vertical. "My back yard looks like a spider web," says Hoppy, who also says that he prefers ragchewing on his Ten-tec KR-20 keyer than phone. We are sending WB5UJO a one-year subscription to CQ Magazine for sending us this winning station photo. If you would like to try your luck, send us a clear photo of yourself at the controls of your station and some details of your radio career.

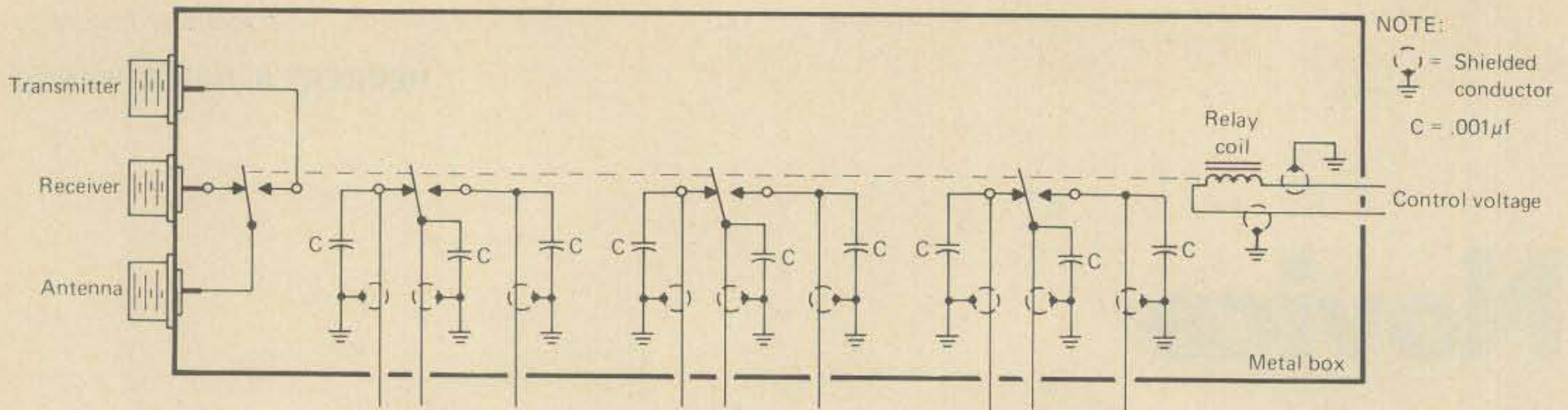
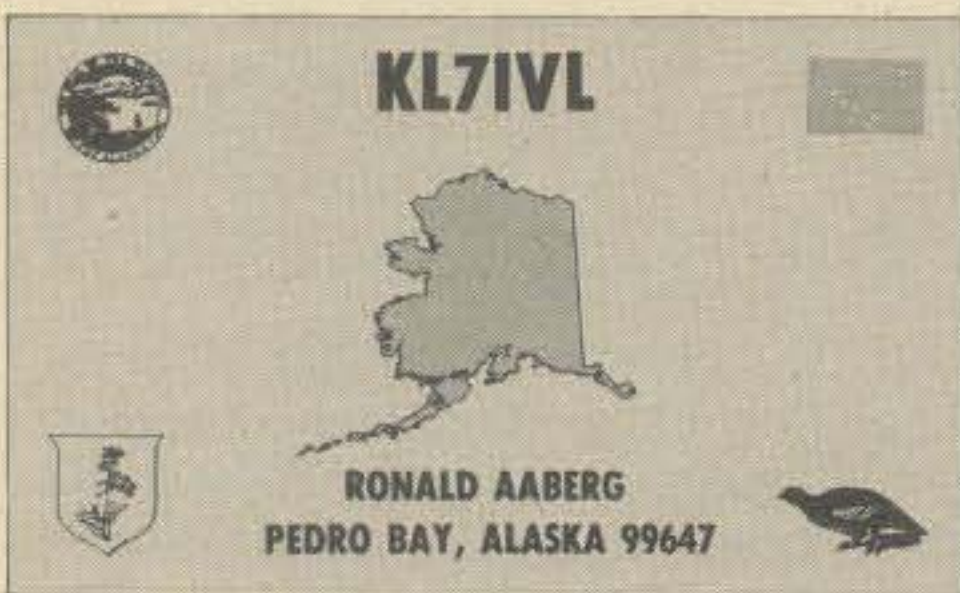


Fig. 1—A standard multi-pole miniature relay (Allied Electronics KN-522-4C or equivalent) may be used to switch the antenna and other circuits when switching from "receive" to "transmit."

the amplifier keys normally. When there is a pause in the keying, the oscillator shuts off. The major difference in the oscillator is that the grid resistor R_1 is connected to the oscillator cathode terminal, rather than to B—, as is done for normal "cathode" keying.

Capacitor C_1 and resistor R_2 affects keying characteristics. Increase the value of C_1 towards $10 \mu\text{F}$ to soften



If you work KL7IVL in the 80-meter Novice band, you will get a QSL card like this confirming the event.

the "makes," and increase the value of R_1 towards 100 ohms or so to soften both "makes" and "breaks." Capacitor C_3 and resistor R_3 right across the key terminals eliminate clicks that otherwise would be heard in your own receiver. Caution: Do not attempt to juggle the position of the grid resistor of a v.f.o. to try this system.

C.W. Operation with S.S.B./C.W. Transceiver

Seemingly, no two s.s.b./c.w. trans-

ceivers work exactly the same on c.w. But as a general guide, while letting the unit warm up, find the place in the instruction manual that instructs how to adjust the idling current on s.s.b. and c.w. operation. Carefully make the adjustment. Next, tune up to the desired power input on c.w. on the desired band—preferably to a dummy antenna, of course. Turn the c.w. drive control to minimum. While making slow dashes on the key, advance the "VOX" gain control until the transceiver switches from "receive" every time the key is pressed. At the same time, the c.w. monitoring signal should be heard from the phones or speaker. Next, while still sending slow dashes, adjust the "VOX Delay" control until there is a definite pause after the key is released until the transceiver returns to "receive" operation. At this point of adjustment, as soon as you press the key, your sending should be heard on the c.w. monitor. After a pause in your sending, the transceiver should revert to "receive." Tune the transceiver dial where the interference is heavy, and press the key to test whether the interfering signals are upsetting the "VOX" circuits. If they are, adjust the transceiver "Anti-Vox" ("Anti-Trip") and "VOX" controls; so that the transceiver keys smoothly. There is usually a limited range of speeds that one set of adjustments of these controls will handle. Therefore, if the "VOX" relay tends to drop out prematurely at very slow speeds, it

may be easier to set the transceiver "Function" control to "Push to talk," "PTT," "MOX," or "Manual" (They all mean the same thing) when operating on slow-speed c.w.

News And Views

Lloyd, Box 209, Scotland Neck, N.C. 27874, asks what is the best book for getting his Technician License in the very shortest time. He wants to operate 2-meter repeaters. As a study guide, the ARRL *License Manual*, \$1.50; belongs in any would-be amateur's library. ARRL's *FM And Repeater For the Radio Amateur*, \$4.00, is good. The *VHF Handbook For Radio Amateurs*, by Herb Brier, W9EKQ/AD and Bill Orr, W6SAI, \$5.95, Radio Publications, Inc. Box 149, Wilton, Conn. 06897, is also good. Also enroll in a General Class Study Course sponsored by the nearest amateur radio club.

Curtis Brown, WB4KZL, 3541 Marvin St., Annandale, Va. 22003, in ten months on the air as a Novice has worked 40 countries in all continents in 180 DX contacts. Also WAS. Curt averages about 80 per cent on his QSL cards without the use of IRC's, dollar bills, etc. He simply encloses a photo of himself and station and a friendly note in the envelope when he sends his card.

Curt works 60 hours a week and spends extra hours coaching Youth Soccer; so he doesn't get as much

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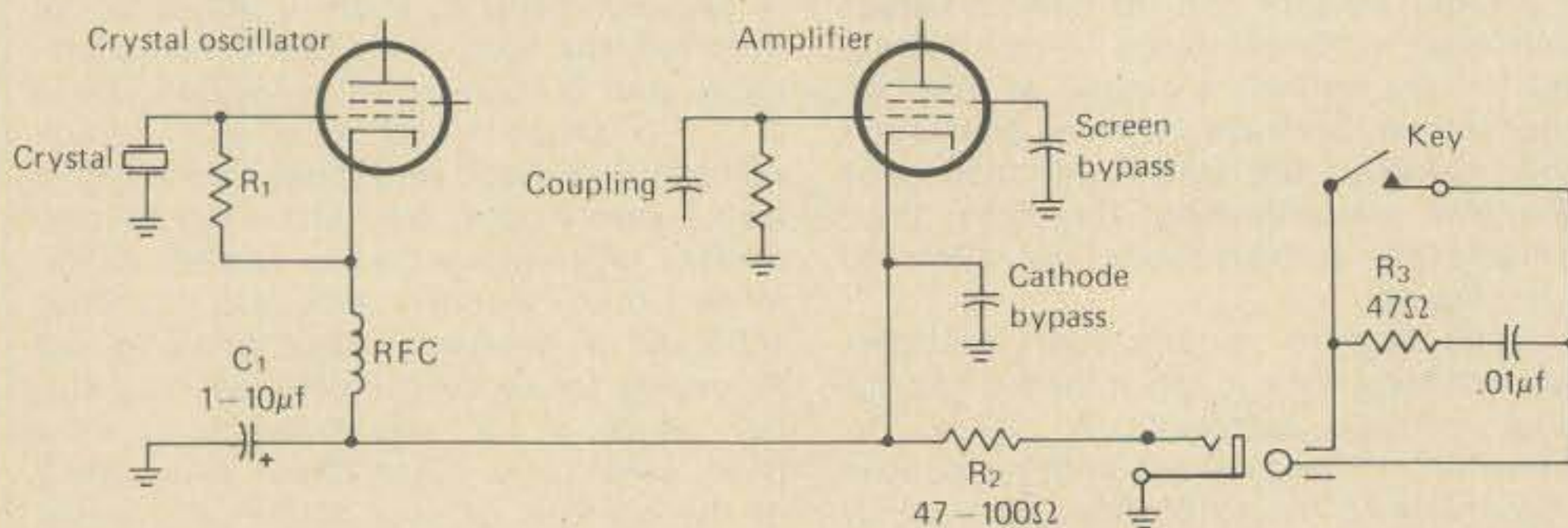


Fig. 2—Differentially keyed, crystal-controlled transmitter. When key is pressed, the oscillator starts immediately and hangs on longer than the amplifier, because the oscillator grid resistor is returned to the cathode, rather than to ground. Amplifier keying is shaped by resistor R_2 and capacitor C_1 .

Propagation

The science of predicting radio conditions

The new sunspot cycle remains pretty much at a standstill. The Swiss Federal Observatory at Zurich reports a monthly mean sunspot number of 18.4 for May. This results in a smoothed sunspot number of 13.3, centered on November, 1976. The sunspot cycle is measured by the value of smoothed sunspot number, and the level for November was the same as observed during October, 1976.

The new cycle is expected to pick up slowly, and a smoothed sunspot number of 21 is forecast for September, 1977.

During most of September and early October expect variable propagation conditions on the h.f. bands. On some days conditions should continue to be much the same as they were earlier in the summer, but on other days the first signs of winter-time conditions should be noticeable. For this reason, this month's column contains *DX Propagation Charts* for the one month period September 15-October 15, rather than the usual two month span. This month's column also contains *Short-Skip Propagation Charts* for September and October.

During September and early October expect an increase in **10 meter DX** possibilities. While the sunspot cycle is still too low to expect worldwide openings on this band, look for some fairly good openings to the Caribbean and Central and South America, particularly during the afternoon hours. When conditions are HIGH NORMAL or better, some openings may also be possible to the South Pacific and Africa.

A seasonal improvement is expected for DX conditions on **15 meters**, and with increased solar activity, a greater number of DX openings should occur this year compared to the past several years. The best time for DX openings should be from a few hours before noon through the afternoon hours. Expect good openings towards the Caribbean, Central

LAST MINUTE FORECAST

Day-to-Day Conditions Expected For Sept. 1977

Propagation Index	Expected Signal Quality			
	(4)	(3)	(2)	(1)
Day				
Above Normal: 27	A	A	B	C
High Normal: 6, 17, 21-22, 25, 28	B	B	C	D
Low Normal: 1-3, 5, 9-10, 14, 16, 19-20, 23, 24, 29, 30	B	C	D	E
Below Normal: 4, 7-8, 11, 13, 15, 18, 26	C	D	E	E
Disturbed: 12	D-E	E	E	E

Where expected signal quality is:

- A—Excellent opening, exceptionally strong, steady signals greater than S9+30 dB.
- B—Good opening, moderately strong signals varying between S9 and S9+30 dB, with little fading or noise.
- C—Fair opening, signals between moderately strong and weak, varying between S3 and S9, with some fading and noise.
- D—Poor opening, with weak signals varying between S1 and S3, and with considerable fading and noise.
- E—No opening expected.

HOW TO USE THIS FORECAST

1. Find *propagation Index* associated with particular band opening from Propagation Charts appearing on the following pages.
2. With the *propagation Index*, use the above table to find the expected signal quality associated with the band opening for any day of the month. For example, an opening shown in the charts with a *propagation Index* of (3) will be fair (C) on September 1-3; poor (D) on the 4th; fair (C) again on the 5th; good (B) on the 6th etc.

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and South America, with openings often possible to Africa, the South Pacific and Europe as well.

During September and early October, **20 meters** should continue to be the best band for worldwide DX propagation. The band should open in almost all directions for a few hours after sunrise, and remain open to many areas of the world throughout most of the day and into the early evening, with peak conditions expected during the afternoon. At times signals will be noticeably stronger than they were during July and August, but the band will close an hour or two earlier because of the shorter period of daylight.

Look for an improvement in nighttime DX conditions on **40, 80 and 160 meters**, which should result from the increasing hours of darkness and

a seasonal decline in the static level. **Forty** should be best for worldwide DX from sunset through the sunrise period. Check **80** and **160** meters during the hours of darkness, and particularly for an hour or so before local sunrise.

From mid-September through mid-October, for *short-skip* openings less than 250 miles, use **80** meters during the day and either **80** or **160** meters at night. For distances between 250 and 750 miles try **40** meters during the day and **80** meters at night. For openings between 750 and 1300 miles, best bet should be **20** meters during the day, **40** meters from sunset to Midnight and **80** meters from Midnight to sunrise. For openings beyond 1300 miles, **20** meters should be most reliable during most of the daylight period, with **40** meters optimum during the hours of darkness. Check **15** meters for some good openings beyond 1300 miles during the afternoon hours.

Equinoctial Propagation

It's that time of year again when the sun is almost directly overhead at the equator. This happens twice a year, in the spring and fall, and is called an equinox.

The fall equinoctial period marks the time that the sun crosses the equator on its apparent travel into southern skies. During this period the hours of daylight and darkness are just about equal in length throughout the world. Sunrise should take place at approximately 6 a.m. local time (7 a.m. daylight) and sunset at about 6 p.m. local time (7 p.m. daylight), no matter where you are in the world.

This results in an ionosphere of almost similar characteristics over large areas of the world, and is usually the best time of year for long DX openings between the temperate regions of the northern and southern hemispheres, on all h.f. bands. Expect considerably more frequent openings from mid-September through mid-October between the

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HOW TO USE THE SHORT-SKIP CHARTS

1. In the Short-Skip Chart, the predicted times of openings can be found under the appropriate distance column of a particular Meter band (10 through 160 Meters), as shown in the left hand column of the Chart. For the Alaska and Hawaii Charts the predicted times of openings are found under the appropriate Meter band column (15 through 80 Meters) for a particular geographical region of the continental USA, as shown in the left hand column of the Charts. A ** indicates the best time to listen for 10 meter openings; * best times for 160 meter openings.

2. The propagation index is the number that appears in () after the time of each predicted opening. On the Short-Skip Chart, where two numerals are shown within a single set of parenthesis, the first applies to the shorter distance for which the forecast is made, and the second to the greater distance. The index indicates the number of days during the month on which the opening is expected to take place, as follows:

- (4) Opening should occur on more than 22 days
- (3) " " " between 14 and 22 days
- (2) " " " between 7 and 13 days
- (1) " " " on less than 7 days

Refer to the "Last Minute Forecast" at the beginning of this column for the actual dates on which an opening with a specific propagation index is likely to occur, and the signal quality that can be expected.

3. Times shown in the Charts are in the 24-hour system, where 00 is midnight; 12 is noon; 01 is 1 A.M.; 13 is 1 P.M., etc. On the Short-Skip Chart appropriate daylight time is used at the path midpoint. For example, on a circuit between Maine and Florida, the time shown would be EDT; on a circuit between N.Y. and Texas, the time at the midpoint would be CDT, etc. Times shown in the Hawaii Chart are in HST. To convert to daylight time in other USA time zones, add 3 hours in the PDT zone; 4 hours in the MDT zone; 5 hours in CDT zone, and 6 hours in the EDT zone. Add 10 hours to convert from HST to GMT. For example, when it is 12 noon in Honolulu, it is 15 or 3 P.M. in Los Angeles; 18 or 6 P.M. in Washington, D.C.; and 22 GMT. Time shown in the Alaska Chart is given in GMT. To convert to daylight time in other areas of the USA, subtract 7 hours in the PDT zone; 6 hours in the MDT zone; 5 hours in the CDT zone and 4 hours in the EDT zone. For example, at 20 GMT it is 16 or 4 P.M. in N.Y.C.

4. The Short-Skip Chart is based upon a transmitted power of 75 watts c.w. or 300 watts p.e.p. on sideband; The Alaska and Hawaii Charts are based upon a transmitter power of 250 watts cw or 1 kw p.e.p. on sideband. A dipole antenna a quarter-wavelength above ground is assumed for 160 and 80 meters, a half-wave above ground on 40 and 20 meters, and a wavelength above ground on 15 and 10 meters. For each 10 db gain above these reference levels, the propagation index will increase by one level; for each 10db loss, it will lower by one level.

5. Propagation data contained in the Charts has been prepared from basic data published by the Institute For Telecommunication Sciences of the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Boulder, Colorado, 80302.

USA and South America, South Pacific, South Asia and southern Africa, particularly on 20 meters for a few hours after sunrise and again during the sunset period.

Long-path openings also improve considerably during the equinoctial period. In western states look for long-path openings to Europe and Africa on 20 meters shortly after sunrise and again during the early evening. Stations in eastern states can expect some long-path openings to the South Pacific during the late afternoon and early evening, and to parts of eastern Africa and Asia just after sunrise. Long path openings should also be possible on 40 meters, and at times on 80 meters, for an hour or so before sunrise, and just before sunset.

V.H.F. Ionospheric Openings

Although summertime sporadic-E ionization is expected to fall off con-

siderably during September and early October, an occasional 6 meter short-skip opening may still be possible over distances ranging between approximately 1000 and 1300 miles. Best time to check is before noon and during the early evening.

There is usually an increase in auroral activity during an equinoctial period, so look for some fairly frequent 6 and 2 meter auroral-type openings. The best times for such openings are when conditions on the h.f. bands are BELOW NORMAL or DISTURBED. Check the "Last Minute Forecast" at the beginning of this column for those days likely to be in these categories during September.

No major meteor showers are expected during September, so few, if any, meteor-scatter type openings are likely on the v.h.f. bands this month.

CQ DX Contest Special

This year's CQ Worldwide DX Contest will be held on the following dates:

October 29-30 — Phone Section

November 26-27—C.w. Section

As for the past 26 years, next month's Propagation column will be devoted to a special, comprehensive forecast which will focus on both Sections of the Contest.

73, George, W3ASK

**CQ Short-Skip Propagation Chart
September & October, 1977
Local Daylight Savings Time At
Path Mid-Point**

Band (Meters)	Distance Between Stations (Miles)			
	50-250	250-750	750-1300	1300-2300
10	Nil	10-21 (0-1)	08-10 (1) 10-15 (1-2) 14-18 (1) 15-22 (1)	08-10 (1-0) 10-14 (2-0) 14-18 (1) 18-22 (1-0)
15	Nil	08-10 (0-1) 10-14 (0-2) 14-22 (0-1)	08-10 (1) 10-14 (2) 14-17 (1-3) 17-18 (1-2) 17-18 (2-1) 18-22 (1) 22-00 (0-1)	08-10 (1) 10-14 (2) 14-17 (3) 17-18 (2-1) 18-20 (1) 20-00 (1-0)
20	12-20 (0-1)	08-10 (0-1) 10-12 (0-2) 12-15 (1-4) 15-17 (1-3) 17-20 (1-2) 20-07 (0-1)	08-10 (1-2) 10-12 (2-4) 12-15 (4) 15-17 (3-4) 17-19 (2-4) 19-20 (2-3) 20-21 (1-3) 21-23 (1-2) 23-08 (1)	08-09 (2-1) 09-10 (2) 10-14 (4-2) 14-16 (4-3) 16-19 (4) 19-21 (3) 21-23 (2) 23-01 (1) 01-06 (1-0) 06-08 (1)
40	08-10 (0-2) 10-12 (2-4) 12-16 (3-4) 16-18 (2-3) 18-20 (1-2) 20-22 (0-1)	08-10 (2-3) 10-12 (4-3) 12-16 (4-2) 16-18 (3) 18-20 (2-4) 20-22 (1-4) 22-00 (0-3) 00-03 (0-2) 03-06 (0-1) 06-08 (0-2)	08-10 (3-2) 10-12 (3-1) 12-16 (2-1) 16-18 (3-2) 18-20 (4-3) 20-22 (4) 22-00 (3-4) 00-03 (2-3) 03-06 (1-2) 06-08 (2-4)	08-10 (2-1) 10-16 (1-0) 16-18 (2-1) 18-20 (3-2) 20-21 (4-3) 21-00 (4) 00-03 (3-4) 03-06 (2-3) 06-08 (4-2)
80	07-09 (3-4) 09-12 (4) 12-19 (4-3) 19-22 (4) 22-04 (3-4) 04-07 (2-3)	07-09 (4-2) 09-12 (4-1) 12-17 (3-1) 17-19 (3-2) 19-21 (4-3) 21-04 (4) 04-06 (3-4) 06-07 (3)	07-09 (2-1) 09-17 (1-0) 17-19 (2-1) 19-21 (3-2) 21-22 (4-3) 22-04 (4) 04-06 (4-2) 06-07 (3-2)	07-09 (1) 09-17 (0) 17-19 (1) 19-21 (2) 21-22 (3-2) 22-04 (4-3) 04-06 (2) 06-07 (2-1)

See explanation in "How To Use Short-Skip Charts" in box at the beginning of this column.

160	17-19 (1-0) 19-21 (2-1) 21-06 (4) 06-08 (3-2) 08-10 (2-1) 10-12 (1-0)	18-20 (1-0) 20-21 (1) 21-03 (4-3) 03-06 (3-2) 06-08 (2-1) 08-10 (1-0)	20-21 (1-0) 21-23 (3-1) 23-03 (3) 03-06 (2-1) 06-08 (1)	21-23 (1-0) 23-03 (3-2) 03-06 (1) 06-08 (1-0)
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Openings Given In GMT #

To:	10 Meters	15 Meters	20 Meters	40-80 Meters
Eastern States	Nil	21-23 (1)	12-14 (1) 18-21 (1) 21-00 (2) 00-02 (1)	08-12 (1)
Central States	Nil	21-01 (1)	13-15 (1) 19-22 (1) 22-01 (2) 01-03 (1)	08-13 (1)
Western States	Nil	20-21 (1) 21-23 (2) 23-01 (1)	17-18 (1) 18-22 (2) 22-01 (3) 01-03 (2) 03-05 (1)	08-11 (1) 11-14 (2) 14-16 (1) 11-14 (1)*

HAWAII

Openings Given In HST #

To:	10 Meters	15 Meters	20 Meters	40-80 Meters
Eastern States	Nil	07-12 (1) 12-15 (2) 15-16 (1)	11-13 (1) 13-14 (2) 14-16 (3) 16-17 (2) 17-19 (1) 03-05 (1) 05-07 (2) 07-08 (1)	17-19 (1) 19-21 (2) 21-00 (3) 00-02 (2) 02-03 (1) 19-20 (1)* 20-23 (2)* 23-01 (1)*
Central States	09-13 (1)	07-11 (1) 11-12 (2) 12-14 (3) 14-15 (2) 15-17 (1)	05-06 (1) 06-09 (2) 09-13 (1) 13-15 (2) 15-17 (4) 17-18 (2) 18-20 (1)	17-19 (1) 19-21 (2) 21-02 (3) 02-04 (2) 04-05 (1) 19-20 (1)* 20-00 (2)* 00-02 (1)*
Western States	10-15 (1)	07-10 (1) 10-12 (2) 12-15 (3) 15-16 (2) 16-18 (1)	06-07 (1) 07-10 (3) 10-12 (2) 12-14 (3) 14-16 (4) 16-18 (3) 18-19 (2) 19-21 (1)	17-18 (1) 18-19 (2) 19-21 (4) 01-03 (3) 03-06 (2) 06-07 (1) 19-20 (1)* 20-22 (2)* 22-03 (3)* 03-04 (2)* 04-06 (1)*

September 15-October 15, 1977

Time Zone: EDT (24-Hour Time)

EASTERN USA TO:

To:	10 Meters	15 Meters	20 Meters	40-80 Meters
Western & Central Europe & North Africa	Nil	10-11 (1) 11-15 (2) 15-16 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-10 (3) 10-12 (2) 12-14 (3) 14-16 (4) 16-17 (3) 17-18 (2) 18-19 (1)	18-19 (1) 19-21 (2) 21-23 (3) 23-02 (4) 02-03 (3) 03-04 (2) 04-05 (1) 20-22 (1)* 22-01 (2)* 01-04 (1)*
Northern Europe & European USSR	Nil	10-13 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-10 (3) 10-12 (2) 12-14 (1) 14-16 (2) 16-18 (1)	18-20 (1) 20-04 (2) 04-05 (1) 21-04 (1)*
Eastern Mediterranean & Middle East	Nil	10-11 (1) 11-13 (2) 13-15 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-09 (2) 09-14 (1) 14-16 (2) 16-17 (3) 17-18 (2) 18-19 (1) 22-00 (1)	19-21 (1) 21-00 (2) 00-01 (1) 22-00 (1)*
Western Africa	14-16 (1)	09-11 (1) 11-13 (2) 13-16 (3) 16-17 (2) 17-18 (1)	08-10 (1) 13-15 (1) 15-16 (2) 16-17 (3) 17-18 (4) 18-20 (3) 20-21 (2) 21-23 (1)	20-23 (1) 23-02 (2) 02-04 (1) 01-03 (1)*

Note: The Alaska and Hawaii Propagation Charts are intended for distances greater than 1300 miles. For shorter distances, use the preceding Short-Skip Propagation Chart.

* Indicates best time to listen for 80 Meter openings. Openings on 160 Meters are also likely to occur during those times when 80 Meter openings are shown with a forecast rating of (2), or higher.

Eastern & Central Africa	Nil	11-13 (1) 13-15 (2) 15-16 (1)	13-15 (1) 15-17 (2) 17-18 (3) 18-19 (2) 19-21 (1)	21-02 (1)
Southern Africa	11-14 (1)	09-11 (1) 11-13 (2) 13-15 (3) 15-16 (2) 16-17 (1)	08-10 (1) 13-15 (1) 15-18 (2) 18-19 (3) 19-20 (2) 20-21 (1) 23-01 (1)	19-22 (1) 22-00 (2) 00-02 (1) 23-01 (1)*
Central & South Asia	Nil	09-11 (1) 18-20 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-10 (2) 10-12 (1) 19-22 (1)	05-07 (1) 20-23 (1)
South-east Asia	Nil	10-12 (1) 14-16 (1) 18-20 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-10 (2) 10-12 (1) 16-18 (1) 20-22 (1)	06-08 (1)
Far East		18-20 (1)	09-10 (2) 10-12 (1) 17-19 (1) 19-21 (2) 21-23 (1)	
South Pacific & New Zealand	15-18 (1)	11-15 (1) 15-17 (2) 17-18 (3) 18-19 (2) 19-20 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-11 (2) 11-14 (1) 16-20 (1) 20-00 (2) 00-04 (1)	01-02 (1) 02-03 (2) 03-06 (3) 06-09 (2) 03-04 (1)* 04-06 (2)* 06-07 (1)*
Australasia	17-19 (1)	14-17 (1) 17-19 (2) 19-20 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-10 (2) 10-12 (1) 14-16 (1) 16-18 (2) 18-21 (1) 21-00 (2) 00-02 (1)	02-04 (1) 04-06 (2) 06-07 (3) 07-08 (2) 08-09 (1) 04-05 (1)* 05-06 (2)* 06-07 (1)*
Caribbean, Central America & Northern Countries of South America	11-14 (1) 14-17 (2) 17-18 (1)	09-10 (1) 10-13 (2) 13-15 (3) 15-16 (4) 16-17 (3) 17-18 (2) 18-19 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-09 (3) 09-10 (4) 10-15 (2) 15-17 (3) 17-19 (4) 19-21 (3) 21-22 (2) 22-00 (1)	19-20 (1) 20-21 (2) 21-04 (4) 04-06 (3) 06-07 (2) 07-08 (1) 21-23 (1)* 23-04 (2)* 04-06 (1)*
Peru, Bolivia, Paraguay, Brazil, Chile, Argentina and Uruguay	14-15 (1) 15-17 (2) 17-18 (1)	09-10 (1) 10-11 (2) 11-14 (1) 14-16 (2) 16-18 (3) 18-19 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-10 (2) 10-11 (1) 14-16 (1) 16-18 (2) 18-19 (3) 19-20 (4) 20-21 (3) 21-23 (2) 23-00 (1)	21-00 (1) 00-05 (2) 05-07 (1) 01-06 (1)*
McMurdo Sound, Antarctica	Nil	16-18 (1)	18-20 (1) 20-23 (2) 23-01 (1) 08-09 (1)	00-03 (1) 03-05 (2) 05-07 (1) 04-06 (1)*

Time Zones: CDT and MDT
(24-Hour Time)
CENTRAL USA TO:

To:	10 Meters	15 Meters	20 Meters	40-80 Meters
Western & Central Europe & North Africa	Nil	10-14 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-10 (2) 10-13 (1) 13-14 (2) 14-16 (3) 16-17 (2) 17-18 (1)	18-20 (1) 20-23 (2) 23-01 (3) 01-02 (2) 02-03 (1) 21-23 (1)* 23-01 (2)* 01-02 (1)*
Northern Europe & European USSR	Nil	10-13 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-10 (2) 10-12 (1) 12-15 (2) 15-17 (1) 21-23 (1)	20-23 (1) 23-01 (2) 01-02 (1) 22-01 (1)*
Eastern Mediterranean & Middle East	Nil	10-13 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-09 (2) 09-15 (1) 15-17 (2) 17-18 (1) 21-23 (1)	20-23 (1) 21-23 (1)*
Western Africa	12-14 (1)	09-11 (1) 11-13 (2) 13-15 (3) 15-16 (2) 16-17 (1)	07-09 (1) 13-15 (1) 15-16 (2) 16-19 (3) 19-20 (2) 20-22 (1)	20-23 (1) 23-01 (2) 01-02 (1) 23-01 (1)*
Eastern & Central Africa	Nil	12-16 (1)	07-09 (1) 13-16 (1) 16-19 (2) 19-20 (1)	21-00 (1)
Southern Africa	11-13 (1)	09-10 (1) 10-12 (2) 12-14 (3) 14-15 (2) 15-16 (1)	07-09 (1) 12-14 (1) 14-16 (2) 16-18 (3) 18-19 (2) 19-20 (1) 22-00 (1)	20-21 (1) 21-23 (2) 23-01 (1) 21-23 (1)*

Central & South Asia	Nil	18-21 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-10 (2) 10-12 (1) 18-21 (1)	06-08 (1) 19-21 (1)
South-east Asia	Nil	17-19 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-10 (2) 10-13 (1) 18-22 (1)	05-08 (1)
Far East	Nil	15-17 (1) 17-19 (2) 19-20 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-10 (3) 10-11 (2) 11-13 (1) 17-19 (1) 19-22 (2) 22-00 (1)	03-05 (1) 05-07 (2) 07-09 (1) 06-08 (1)*
South Pacific & New Zealand	14-18 (1)	10-13 (1) 13-16 (2) 16-18 (3) 18-19 (2) 19-20 (1)	06-08 (1) 08-10 (3) 10-12 (2) 12-18 (1) 18-20 (2) 20-22 (3) 22-00 (2) 00-02 (1)	00-01 (1) 01-07 (3) 07-08 (2) 08-09 (1) 02-04 (1)* 04-07 (2)* 07-08 (1)*
Australasia	16-18 (1)	13-16 (1) 16-19 (2) 19-21 (1)	05-07 (1) 07-08 (2) 08-10 (3) 10-13 (2) 13-17 (1) 17-18 (2) 18-20 (1) 20-23 (2) 23-01 (1)	02-03 (1) 03-05 (2) 05-07 (3) 07-08 (2) 08-09 (1) 05-06 (1)* 06-07 (2)* 07-08 (1)*
Caribbean, Central America & Northern Countries of South America	11-13 (1) 13-16 (2) 16-18 (1)	09-10 (1) 10-11 (2) 11-13 (3) 13-16 (4) 16-17 (3) 17-18 (2) 18-19 (1)	06-07 (1) 07-08 (3) 07-10 (4) 10-12 (3) 12-15 (2) 15-17 (3) 17-19 (4) 19-21 (3) 21-22 (2) 22-00 (1)	19-20 (1) 20-21 (2) 21-01 (3) 01-05 (4) 05-06 (3) 06-07 (2) 07-08 (1) 20-23 (1)* 23-05 (2)* 05-06 (1)*
Peru, Bolivia, Paraguay, Brazil, Chile, Argentina, and Uruguay	14-15 (1) 15-17 (2) 17-18 (1)	09-10 (1) 10-11 (2) 11-13 (1) 13-15 (2) 15-17 (3) 17-18 (2) 18-19 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-09 (2) 09-11 (1) 13-16 (1) 16-18 (2) 18-19 (3) 19-20 (4) 20-22 (3) 22-23 (2) 23-00 (1)	21-00 (1) 00-04 (2) 04-06 (1) 01-05 (1)*
McMurdo Sound, Antarctica	Nil	16-18 (1)	17-20 (1) 20-23 (2) 23-01 (1) 08-10 (1)	00-03 (1) 03-05 (2) 05-07 (1) 04-06 (1)*

Time Zone: PDT (24-Hour Time)
WESTERN USA TO:

To:	10 Meters	15 Meters	20 Meters	40-80 Meters
Western Europe & North Africa	Nil	10-12 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-10 (2) 10-13 (1) 13-15 (2) 15-16 (1) 22-00 (1)	20-21 (1) 21-23 (2) 23-00 (1) 21-23 (1)*
Central & Northern Europe & European USSR	Nil	10-12 (1)	08-09 (1) 09-10 (2) 10-12 (1) 12-14 (2) 14-16 (1) 22-00 (1)	20-00 (1)
Eastern Mediterranean & Middle East	Nil	10-12 (1)	08-12 (1) 12-14 (2) 14-16 (1) 20-22 (1)	20-23 (1)
Western & Central Africa	12-14 (1)	10-13 (1) 13-15 (2) 15-16 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-09 (2) 09-14 (1) 14-15 (2) 15-17 (3) 17-18 (2) 18-19 (1)	21-00 (1)
Eastern Africa	Nil	13-15 (1)	07-09 (1) 13-15 (1) 15-17 (2) 17-19 (1) 21-23 (1)	20-22 (1)
Southern Africa	Nil	11-15 (1)	07-09 (1) 12-14 (1) 14-18 (2) 18-19 (1) 22-00 (1)	19-22 (1)
Central & South Asia	Nil	17-19 (1)	08-09 (1) 09-11 (2) 11-13 (1) 17-19 (1) 19-21 (2) 21-22 (1)	06-08 (1) 19-21 (1)
South-east Asia	Nil	16-19 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-10 (3) 10-11 (2) 11-12 (1) 21-22 (1) 22-00 (2) 00-01 (1)	01-03 (1) 03-06 (2) 06-08 (1) 03-06 (1)*

HOW TO USE THE DX
PROPAGATION CHARTS

- Use Chart appropriate to your transmitter location. The Eastern USA Chart can be used in the 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, KP4, KG4 and KV4 areas in the USA and adjacent call areas in Canada; the Central USA Chart in the 5, 9 and 0 areas; the Western USA Chart in the 6 and 7 areas, and with somewhat less accuracy in the KH6 and KL7 areas.
- The predicted times of openings are found under the appropriate meter band column (15 through 80 Meters) for a particular DX region, as shown in the left hand column of the Charts. A ** indicates the best time to listen for 10 meter openings; * best times for 160 meter openings.
- The propagation index is the number that appears in () after the time of each predicted opening. The index indicates the number of days during the month on which the opening is expected to take place as follows:
 - Opening should occur on more than 22 days
 - Opening should occur between 14 and 22 days
 - Opening should occur between 7 and 13 days
 - Opening should occur on less than 7 days
 Refer to the "Last Minute Forecast" at the beginning of this Propagation column for the actual dates on which an opening with a specific propagation index is likely to occur, and the signal quality that can be expected.
- Time shown in the Charts are in the 24-hour system, where 00 is midnight; 12 is noon; 01 is 1 A.M., 13 is 1 P.M., etc. Appropriate daylight time is used, not GMT. To convert to GMT, add to the times shown in the appropriate chart 7 hours in PDT Zone, 6 hours in MDT Zone, 5 hours in CDT Zone, and 4 hours in EDT Zone. For example, 14 hours in Washington, D.C. is 18 GMT. When it is 20 hours in Los Angeles, it is 03 GMT, etc.
- The charts are based upon a transmitter power of 250 watts c.w., or 1 kw, p.e.p. on side-band, into a dipole antenna a quarter-wavelength above ground on 160 and 80 meters, a half-wave above ground on 40 and 20 meters, and a wavelength above ground on 15 and 10 meters. For each 10 db gain above these reference levels, the propagation index will increase by one level; for each 10 db loss, it will lower by one level.
- Propagation data, contained in the Charts has been prepared from basic data published by the Institute For Telecommunication Sciences of the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Boulder, Colorado, 80302.

Far East	Nil	14-16 (1) 16-19 (2) 19-20 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-10 (3) 10-13 (2) 13-20 (1) 20-21 (2) 21-22 (3) 22-23 (2) 23-01 (1)	01-03 (1) 03-08 (2) 08-09 (1) 03-07 (1)*
South Pacific & New Zealand	13-15 (1) 15-17 (2) 17-18 (1)	11-15 (1) 15-17 (2) 17-19 (3) 19-20 (2) 20-21 (1)	14-18 (2) 18-20 (3) 20-22 (4) 22-23 (3) 23-01 (2)	21-22 (1) 22-23 (2) 23-00 (3) 00-05 (4) 05-07 (3) 01-07 (1) 07-08 (2) 08-09 (1) 08-10 (3) 10-11 (2) 11-14 (1) 06-07 (1)*
Australasia	15-17 (1)	13-16 (1) 16-17 (2) 17-19 (3) 19-20 (2) 20-21 (1)	17-19 (1) 19-20 (2) 20-00 (3) 00-03 (2) 03-07 (1) 07-08 (2) 08-10 (3) 10-12 (2) 12-13 (1)	01-02 (1) 02-03 (2) 03-06 (3) 06-08 (2) 08-09 (1) 07-08 (2) 02-04 (1)* 04-06 (2)* 06-07 (1)*
Caribbean, Central America & Northern Countries of South America	11-13 (1) 13-15 (2) 15-17 (1)	08-09 (1) 09-12 (2) 12-14 (3) 14-15 (4) 15-16 (3) 16-17 (2) 17-18 (1)	07-08 (1) 08-09 (2) 09-10 (3) 10-15 (2) 15-17 (3) 17-19 (4) 19-21 (3) 21-23 (2) 23-00 (1)	19-21 (1) 21-02 (3) 02-04 (2) 04-07 (1) 20-22 (1)* 22-03 (2)* 03-05 (1)*
Peru, Bolivia, Paraguay, Brazil, Chile, Argentina, & Uruguay	13-14 (1) 14-16 (2) 16-17 (1)	09-10 (1) 10-11 (2) 11-13 (1) 13-15 (2) 15-17 (3) 17-18 (2) 18-19 (1)	08-10 (1) 13-15 (1) 15-17 (2) 17-20 (4) 20-21 (3) 21-22 (2) 22-00 (1)	21-23 (1) 23-02 (2) 02-04 (1) 00-03 (1)*
McMurdo Sound, Antarctica	Nil	16-19 (1)	07-10 (1) 17-19 (1) 19-20 (2) 20-22 (3) 22-00 (2) 00-01 (1)	01-03 (1) 03-05 (2) 05-07 (1) 03-06 (1)*

In Focus

Television on the Amateur bands

Slow Scan Station Of The Month, W6VLH—Super Screen Size SSTV!

One of SSTV's best known operators has recently added a "really BIG show" at the receiving end of his slow scan equipment. Mel Shavelson, W6VLH decided to go "large screen" on his SSTV monitoring. By large screen, Mel means a picture approximately FIVE FEET square displayed on a six foot diagonal screen! As you can see in figs. 1 and 2, the picture quality is amazingly good. Here's how Mel described what he's doing in portions of a letter to yours truly:

"Enclosed are some photographs of what I believe is the largest SSTV monitor in the world—the six foot (diagonal) screen of my Advent 750 Projection Television set. The Advent is ideal for the purpose because it has a video and audio input, and of course the quality of the receiver itself—it has 6 MHz bandwidth—is slightly more than necessary! However, it allows me to feed the output of my Robot 300 directly in, by-passing the TV front end and allowing for the quality you see in the photos. (A frame I snatched of myself holding my station call letters, using an RCA fast scan surveillance camera.)

"The room with the projection TV set up is in my house, some 70 feet from the study in which the shack is located. A combination of RG8U and RG58U feed-line goes from the Robot 300 output to the Advent input via a hi-fi closet which serves as a distribution center in the house for various antennas, stereo sound, motion picture sound and tape recorders used for mixing sound tracks to dub onto my home movies.

"This whole operation is sort of a busman's holiday, as I am a motion picture director and writer—and the equipment is part of the projection room set up which also includes a 12' by 10' beaded screen which pulls down from a concealed panel!

*2112 Turk Hill Road, Fairport, N.Y. 14450

Rounding out the facilities are a soda fountain, bar, tape and film editing facilities, and 8, 16, and 35 mm sound projectors. (Note from W2DD, I'm eating my heart out!)

"The Advent will accept any signal coming from the Robot 300, including on-the-air pictures, pictures from tape and memory, closed circuit fast scan pictures from an RCA camera and a Javelin camera—both of which can be switched automatically by a Javelin Automatic Sequential Switcher.

"There is also two-way audio, so I can go live fast scan from the shack to the audience in the projection room and risk having my audience talking back to me! I do not yet have two-way video, but that is quite possible with the present equipment as soon as I install another coax line.

"The Advent projection TV uses three projection tubes and a screen which has 8 times the reflecting capacity of a beaded screen, so the pictures are perfectly visible in full daylight. Also, the three tube projection system seems to minimize the line structure in the TV picture so that it is almost invisible. This can be seen in the photos.

"Additional SSTV equipment in the shack includes a Robot 70 monitor, Robot 80 Camera, an RCA 12" monitor, an RCA 21" TV set, audio tape recorders, and a Sony TCV 160 fast scan video tape recorder.

"If I have any time left, the shack is also equipped for RTTY, 2 meter f.m., and hold onto your hat, CB. 73, Mel."

Thanks to Mel for the pictures and description of a "first" in SSTV! And as for that "ham shack"—it's hard to imagine a more complete and elegant place to operate amateur radio/SSTV!

The dramatic photographs of Mel and his large screen SSTV display were taken by his daughter, Lynne Joiner. She's a top-notch profes-

sional photographer and Channel 5 news anchor-person at KPIX-TV in San Francisco. If you have ever tried to photograph a person next to a TV screen, you can appreciate the excellence of Ms. Joiner's pictures.

Famous writer and film director-producer, photographer, amateur radio operator (30 years), SSTV innovator—all of these titles fit Mel Shavelson. One of Mel's books, *How To Make A Jewish Movie* describes his attempts to establish contact with K6DXK, Ernie Lehman in Hollywood while Mel was in Tel Aviv (operating as 4X4UT). This was during the making of the movie, "Cast A Giant Shadow." The book jacket says that he was "trying to make a movie with Kirk Douglas, John Wayne, Frank Sinatra, Yul Brunner, Angie Dickinson, Senta Berger, FIVE MILLION DOLLARS, and the Israeli Army!"

The photograph of Mel at the mike in his "shack" shows why he has that big signal. See fig 3. The Henry 2K linear and a tri-bander at 70 feet help.

Point your beam at Studio City, CA. sometime for a slow scan contact par excellence with W6VLH—and maybe a short chat with your favorite movie star.

Big Screens — Perspective

As readers of "In Focus" well know, I have been a strong proponent of small screens for SSTV, but Mel's demonstration provides some fascinating food for thought. One of these days, someone's going to come up with an amateur oriented design that will "put it all together" and the kind of picture we'll see on our screens will be orders of magnitude better. You can do just so much with a given number of bits of information and what you can pack into a given bandwidth is obviously limited.

Here's a prediction: Five years from now image-processing techniques will be used in conjunction



Fig. 1—A "First" in SSTV! Mel Shavelson, W6VLH, stands next to his station ID picture displayed super-size, FIVE FEET square! Photo by Ms. Joiner.



Fig. 2—At close range Mel is further dwarfed by his own image. As mentioned in the text, the three gun projection system seems to minimize the appearance of TV lines. Photo by Ms. Joiner.

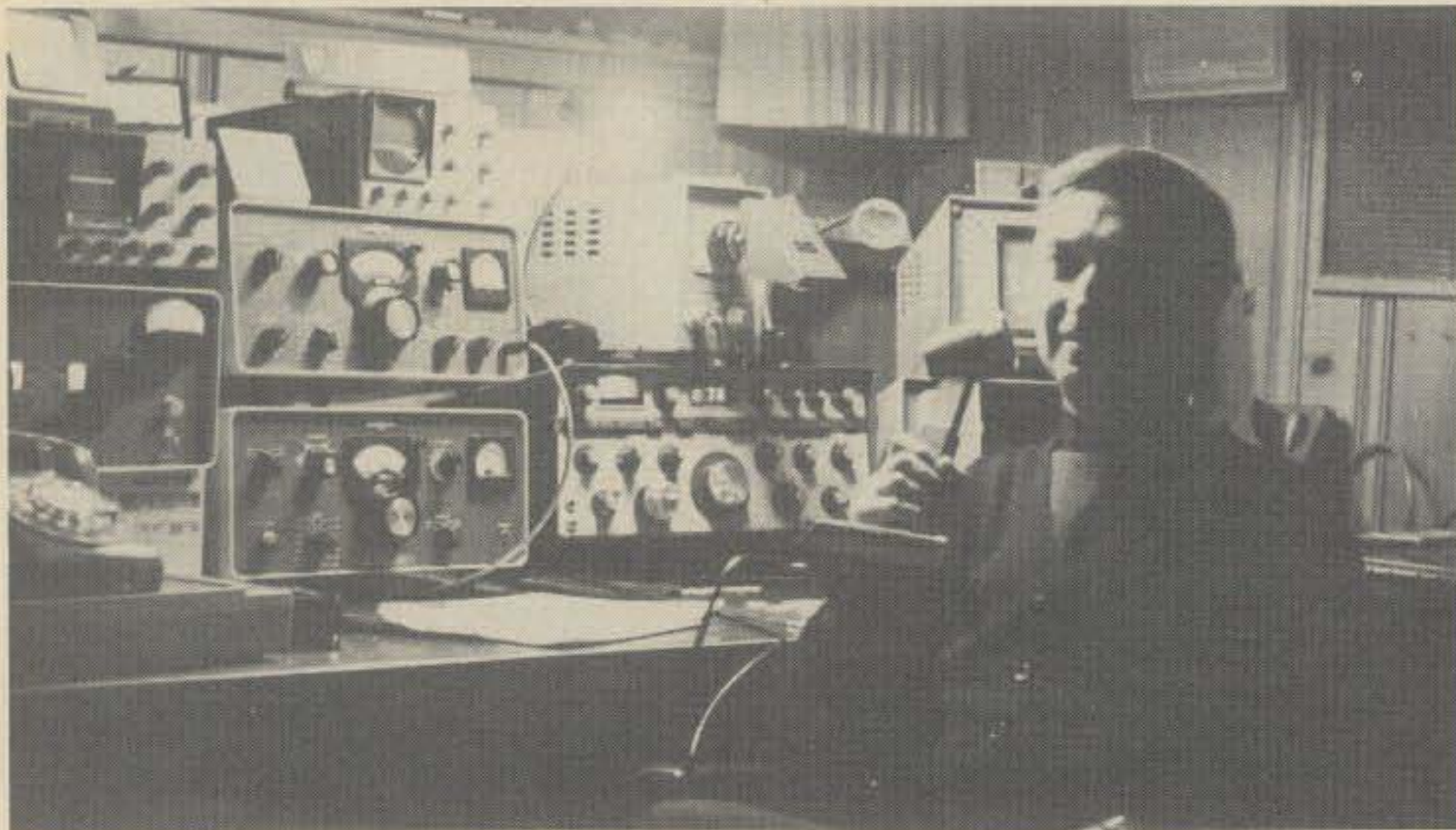


Fig. 3—W6VLH relaxing at the mike. Note the prism arrangement on the Robot 80 camera for televising desk-top copy.



Fig. 4—Len Butsch, K4CNP and Les Reinhart, W8ATK, use artful persuasion to get Len's scan converter working after a 1500 mile trip by car.



Fig. 6—Starting from the left, Phil Howlett, W9XX, Jim Young, K4TGC, and Ron, W8GZM, looked happy after a visit to the flea market.



Fig. 7—From the left, Bob McMillen, W3ATV, Russ Sievert, W8OZA, and Warren Weldon, W5DFU, were on hand for the Friday night SSTV Seminar.



Fig. 5—Bill Wells, W4CVS, demonstrated all kinds of program material for SSTV "programs."



Fig. 8—Jim Herteen, WA0NAA has one of the neatest amateur stations ever pictured in this column. This picture was part of a well written newspaper article telling how Jim uses SSTV to swap pictures with amateurs all over the globe.

with microprocessor hardware and some operation at increased bandwidths will be used to demonstrate vastly superior picture quality in the slow scan mode.

What are YOUR thoughts on this subject?

Echoes Of Dayton '77

As promised last month, here are some more photos of Dayton attendees. fig. 4 shows Len Butsch, K4CNP, rejuvenating his scan converter with the help of Les Reinhart, W8ATK. The 1500 mile trip to Dayton in the trunk of Len's car left the converter feeling a bit cranky. (It recovered OK and performed beautifully!)

Bill Wells, W4CVS, shown in fig. 5 was one of the featured speakers at the SSTV Seminar.

Perhaps the happy smiles on the faces of Phil Howlett, W9XX, Jim Young, K4TGC, and Ron, W8GZM, indicate a successful tour of the world's largest flea market. Shown from the left in fig. 6.

If you're a regular on the Saturday afternoon SSTV nets, you've already met these fellows. From the left in fig. 7, Bob McMillen, W3ATV, Russ Sievert, W8OZA, and Warren Weldon, W5DFU, famous for his lofty-lookie weather camera.

SSTV Frequencies — Again

From time to time I have asked for comments regarding the frequencies used for SSTV. I have made some proposals regarding the 3.8 and 14 MHz bands and asked the question, "What do YOU propose?" The flood of answers (!) totals two letters, one of which follows. It's from one of SSTV's earliest birds, Robert "Gervie" Gervenack, W7FEN of Duvall,

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Washington.

"I had intended to write to you earlier regarding SSTV on 14230 and 3845 kHz and am pleased that you brought it to our attention in the April issue of CQ again.

"First off, I will take the responsibility for the selection of 14230 and 3845. This happened many years ago when SSTV was getting started and the group at that time felt there was a need for a CALLING FREQUENCY. I was asked to name the frequencies, so that is where we landed.

"If you recall at Dayton in 1973, we suggested changing the 7220 kHz frequency to 7171. This has caused confusion and there is too little activity on 40. I believe it is because the frequency change was too drastic. (See note from W2DD below.)

"My suggestion is to move higher in frequency by 5 or 10 kHz., not more than 15 kHz. on 20 or 75. On the West Coast, 3845 kHz. is not bothered by teletype.

"I had hoped to make it to Dayton this year. Please pass along my regards to everyone. See you on ISB"
—Gervie, W7FEN.

Another Request For Comments!

What do YOU think of Gervie's proposals? Do you think that more than one or two daring slow scan-

ners would risk the horrific possibility of not getting a contact on some frequency other than QRM-laden 14230?

Gervie, I'm all for your idea—but the groove is so easy to follow—I just wonder if the present "stacked up SSTV" can ever be changed. It appears that collectively we slow scanners are a bunch of sheep. (NOW I'll get some comments!)

Note: In regard to Gervie's thoughts on the 7171 kHz frequency. There has been a fair amount of mid-morning activity on this frequency in the Eastern and Mid-Western parts of the country. However, there seems to be a great reluctance on the part of slow scanners to use 10 meters, 15 meters, or 40 meters.

There used to be lots of SSTV action on 21340 kHz. Not now. Why not "live it up a little?" Get off of 14230 at least ONCE A WEEK and CALL CQ SSTV on some other band. You might just possibly have some fun!

Good SSTV PR In Newton, Iowa

Jim Herteen, WA0NAA, and his SSTV station were recently the subject of a fine public relations article in the local newspaper under the headline, "Local ham radio operator sends and receives pictures."

The article explained in layman's language how slow scan is transmitted and received. As shown in fig. 8, Jim's very complete station includes a Robot Model 400 scan converter, plus a fast scan camera and monitors. A neat and efficient set up.

New Book on SSTV

Since up to now there has been one (U.S.) book on SSTV available, the appearance of a second is news! *The Complete Handbook of Slow Scan TV* by Dave Ingram, K4TWW, has finally hit the bookstands.

Dave has done a fine job of organizing and presenting a wealth of material on SSTV. I thought that the chapters on "Understanding SSTV Gear," "Digital Scan Converters," and "SSTV Satellite Communications" were especially well done. If you're looking for an up-to-date book on SSTV, this is it. Published by TAB, it's priced at \$9.95, paperback only.

Final — Final

Many thanks to those who have written to me and submitted pictures for publication in this column. I do appreciate your help. Please keep those letters coming my way. Address: 2112 Turk Hill Road, Fairport, N.Y. 14450. Regards, Bill W2DD

DX

News of communications around the world

Two premier DX events, the CQ Worldwide Phone Contest and the CQ Worldwide CW Contest, are coming up. See the complete rules elsewhere in this issue.

These two contests are widely regarded as the best opportunity of the year to build up a country, prefix and zone total. This does not guarantee activity from extremely rare DX countries such as Iraq or Clipperton Island. No way! However, it is the time when more semi-rare countries are active. Those such as the VP2 islands, the Canaries, Azores and Madeira Islands, the little European states such as LX, C31 and HB0, and of course many of the Pacific Islands.

Reserve Your Island

In an earlier issue we advised the importance of "staking out your claim" early if you plan a DXpedition during the CQ contests. The

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Rick Roderick, WA5VDH, is our new Committeeman representing the Arkansas DX Association. Rick is past President of ADXA and the Arkansas Valley Amateur Radio Club. He was one of the first group to qualify for the WPX Award of Excellence, is a member of the WPX Honor Roll and has 316 countries confirmed. He also has earned 3, WAZ certificates, c.w.—phone, s.s.b. and #7 on 20 meter single band c.w.

time is now! And as a result of the great interest in the earlier article we will attempt to make a few suggestions.

VP1 and VP5

A possible new contest spot is the Paradise House Hotel, San Pedro, Belize, formerly known as British Honduras. VP1 is as good a prefix as you can get for contest operation, and Jerry McDermott, owner and operator of the hotel can obtain a permit from the Belizian authorities allowing an amateur operator to temporarily bring equipment into the country free of Custom's duties, and to operate in Belize on his U.S. license. Reservations are handled through an office at 9225 Katy Freeway, #302, Houston, Texas 77024, phone (713) 461-2027.

The favorite spot for many southeastern DXers is VP5-land, the Turks and Caicos Islands, which now boast scheduled air service. The Third Turtle Inn on the island of Providenciales is a long time favorite of many, and the Admiral's Arms on South Caicos Island has welcomed amateurs in past years. Licenses must be obtained through the Administrator on Grand Turk, and you should accompany your application with a copy of your U.S. license. The fee varies from time to time, based on the Jamaican dollar. Reservations at the Third Turtle Inn can be made by writing to the Inn at 2633 Lantana Road, Lantana, FL 33462, phone (305) 967-2261. Contact the Admiral's Arms via the Caicos Company, Ltd., South Caicos, Turks and Caicos Islands, West Indies.

Zone 2

You don't think of Canada as a rare country, but during the CQ Contests Labrador is in greater demand than many island countries because it is in Zone 2 and everyone needs the multiplier. Unfortunately, Labrador has no balmy beaches or tour-

ist hotels, but Eastern Provincial Airways will get you there, and Canada will give you a reciprocal license.

6Y5 and VP9

Jamaica is a beautiful spot and reciprocal licenses can be obtained. If interested, contact Mr. Ken Penchoen, 6Y5BF, Shangrila Villa, P.O. Box 92, Montego Bay. Ken is happy to rent a villa to visiting amateurs and can advise you on licensing procedures. Reciprocity is also practiced in Bermuda, VP9. Contact The Colonial Secretariat, Hamilton, Bermuda, advising proposed length of stay, license held (enclose copy), reason for operation and proposed station location.

ZF—Grand Cayman

Another very popular QTH is Grand Cayman. However, be advised that authorities are giving U.S. licensees a careful look because of attempts to use ZF calls improperly. Application blanks should be requested from the Postmistress, General Post Office, Grand Cayman, British West Indies, and should include a clear copy of your U.S. license and a Bank Draft for \$25.00. *Personal checks will not be accepted.* Among the ZF-hotels welcoming amateur visitors is the Spanish Bay Reef, Box 800, Grand Cayman.

VP2

The British Virgin Islands are another favorite. A copy of your U.S. license and \$5.00 should get you a VP2V ticket from the Public Works Department, Government of the British Virgin Islands, Tortola, BVI. However, *go in person* as the authorities are much too busy to handle a lot of queries by mail.

Excellent Contestpedition facilities are available on Montserrat, complete with antennas, from the Beversteins, a well-known Canadian amateur radio family. Write Mrs. Hope Bever-

stein at 60 Amsterdam Ave., Toronto, M4B 2C2, Canada. She can help you secure a VP2M license.

If St. Lucia strikes your fancy, the Planter's Inn, 35 Brazil Street, Castries, St. Lucia, W.I., has a hamshack on the premises. Contact Mrs. Gay Gardner-Hobbs, VP2LYL, and if the time is short enclose a copy of your U.S. license plus \$5.00 for a VP2L ticket.

FG7/FS7

For info on Guadeloupe and St. Martin, see the article by W5SJS on pg. 19 of the December, 1976 issue of CQ. The title is *Caribbean DX Vacation* and it covers these French islands very well.

Power

Observe the laws of the country you visit should be the first commandment for good international relations. Power limits vary considerably from country to country. For example, in leafing through some of the licenses we have obtained over the years we find that on Montserrat our VP2MIF ticket specifies "Power —1 kilowatt," while our K4IIF/C6A ticket states that in the Bahamas maximum allowable power is "100 watts p.e.p." Our VP5JA ticket for the Turks and Caicos Islands says: "The power will not exceed 100 watts." A friend in W6-land once chided us for our weak signal from the Bahamas on 20 meters. So be it! The rules say 100 watts so the linear stays at home. It isn't necessary to run roughshod over another country's customs in order to enjoy a DXpedition.

Observing the power limit is important to you personally as well. On your CQ Worldwide DX Contest summary sheet you must sign a statement that "I have operated my transmitter within the limitations of my license." It would be tragic to have a great score wiped out because you were ignorant of the rules and regulations of the country in which you were a guest.

As of this writing, K4IIF plans to be out there somewhere in DX land for one or both of the contest weekends. Hope I can give you a new one. See you in the pileups.

DXer of the Month

It has been many moons since we recognized a DXer of the Month. This situation should be corrected, and with one in our midst who deeply deserves the honor, it shall be corrected forthwith.

The nominee is John Kanode, W4WSF, and although he is a mem-

CQ DX Honor Roll				
The CQ DX Honor Roll recognizes those DXers who have submitted proof of confirmation with 275 or more countries for the mode indicated. The top SSTV DXers are also listed. The ARRL DXCC Country List, LESS DELETED COUNTRIES, is used as the country standard. Total number of current countries on the DXCC list as of this listing is 319. Honor Roll listing is automatic when submitting application or endorsement for 275 or more countries. To remain on the CQ DX Honor Roll, annual updates are required. Honor Roll updates may be submitted anytime.				
CW				
W6PT317	W4YWX308	W4IC301	W4BQY296	WA6EPO282
ON4QX314	W2GT307	W6ISQ301	K6JG295	K9MM279
K6EC313	W8LY305	K6LEB298	VK3AHQ292	W6SDO279
W6ID312	W9DWQ303	W8AUB298	WA8DXA287	DJ7CX276
W8KPL309	N6AV302	DL3RK297	W6NJU284	
SSB				
W2TP318	K4RTA310	K6WR304	OZ3SK296	W6HUR286
DL9OH316	W2QK310	K6YRA303	W8SFU296	DJ7CX285
K2FL316	W3DJZ310	VE2WY303	W2CNQ295	OE3WWB285
W4EEE316	W6EL310	VE3GMT303	W8SD295	G3KYF284
WA2RAU316	W6KTE310	WA3IKK303	K6XP294	W6SDO284
TI2HP315	SM6CKS309	K4MQG302	W4WSF294	N6AW282
G3FKM314	WA2EOQ309	ZL1AGO302	DJ9ZB293	WB2RLK282
I8AMU314	W4DPS308	K9LKA301	I5WT293	YV1LA282
W3CWG314	W6YMV308	OE2EGL301	VE7WJ293	SP5BSV281
W3NKM314	WA6AHF308	W6NJU301	K6AQV292	WA4WTG281
W6RKP314	I8YRK307	ZS6LV301	K8PYD292	WA8KDI281
VE3MR313	I9ZV307	W3GG300	WA2HSX292	XE2YP281
W3AZD313	K6JG307	I4ZSQ299	VE7CE291	N2SS280
W9ILW313	K8DYZ307	VE3GCO299	W8YDB291	W9QQ280
I8KDB312	K9WEH307	W6KZS299	W9YRA290	DL1MD279
W4SSU312	ZL3NS307	W9OHH299	DL6KG289	K4SB279
W4UG312	F2MO306	YV1KZ299	G3WW289	OK1MP279
W6EUF312	I6FLD306	EA4LH298	OE1FF289	WB4SIJ279
W6REH312	K6EC306	W9QLD298	W6FW289	VE7HP277
W9DWQ312	SM5SB306	WB6DXU298	K4HJE288	W7OM276
F9RM311	SM6CWK306	F9MS297	YS1O288	XE1KS276
I8AA311	W9JT306	G3DO296	DK2BI287	DK1FW275
VE3MJ311	W9KRU306	G3TJW296	W6FET287	
XE1AE311	KH6BB305	HP1JC296	C3RWQ286	
IT9JT310	W4IC305	N6AV296	K1KNQ286	
SSTV				
W8YEK108				

ber of the CQ DX Awards Advisory Committee the nomination was made by Leland "Buddy" Smith, W4YZC/W4YE, of the Potomac Valley Radio Club.

W4WSF has played a major role on the CQ DX Awards Advisory Committee. The WPX Award of Excellence was first suggested by John. He has served the Potomac Valley Radio Club as President, Vice President and Treasurer, and he is also a member of the National Capitol DX Association, the Shenandoah Valley Amateur Radio Club, the First Class Operators, ARRL (Life Member) and AMSAT (Life Member).

Among John's many DXing accomplishments are Single Band WAZ on

both 14 MHz phone and c.w., over 300 countries worked, over 1000 prefixes confirmed by mixed mode, over 1000 prefixes on s.s.b. and over 900 on c.w., and 5-Band DXCC. He is a member of the CQ 2-Way S.S.B. Honor Roll plus the mixed, c.w. and s.s.b. WPX Honor Rolls. In total, W4WSF has over 500 amateur radio operating awards. He has been an active contester for 23 years and has earned over 100 contest trophies and certificates including several from the CQ Worldwide DX Contests. He was a member of the Potomac Valley group which made over 10,000 QSO's and 19,000,000 points from PJ9JR in the October, 1974 CQ Worldwide Phone Contest.



Two of the most outstanding DXers in Italy are Luis Ladi, I3LLD (left) and Angelo Cipoloto, I3DHN (right) both of Venice. Using the Drake T4XC and R4C, a Sommerkamp linear and a Hy-Gain beam, Angelo qualified for WAZ s.s.b. #1327, plus DXCC, AAA, WAA, DUF, WSA and AJD. Luis also uses Drake gear and a Hy-Gain beam and earned single band WAZ #17 on 20 meter phone. Among his other awards are DXCC, WAPN, WAA, ADXA, WA-UK-CA, DUF DTA and others.



Jim Ray, WB5HIH, of Waco, Texas is another U.S. winner of the WAZ Award. Jim qualified for CW—Phone certificate #4038.

One of John's most important contributions has been the modernization of the W4/K4 QSL Bureau which is reputed to be the best of the U.S. Bureaus in terms of short delivery time and low backlog of cards. He spends several hours each week at the Bureau, and has gone to many hamfests and conventions at his own expense to promote the Bureau.

In operations from Panama and the Canal Zone, John earned DXCC and 43 other awards using a 100 watt rig and low wire antennas. He confirmed KZ5 and HP on all bands for many early 5-band DXers. Other calls he has held include: K5UYF, KZ5II, WA4LDI, PJ9KK, HP1XWS, WA3LYH, KK4ITU and KJ4ITU.

The antennas at W4WSF include 6 elements on 20 meters at 75 feet, 5 elements on 15 meters at 85 feet, a TH6DXX at 55 feet, a Quad loop on 40 plus dipoles on 80 and 160. He uses a Drake T4XC and R4C and a Henry 2-K linear. (See pg. 59 of the June, 1977 issue of CQ for John's photo.)

Congratulations to a very deserving DXer of the Month.

Here and There

Arkansas Committeeman—The CQ DX Awards Advisory Committee is



Ray Ault, WA6EVX/KG6, is back in the states now after 3 years of delightful DXing from Guam. Ray made SSB WAZ #1356 and also won a certificate during the CQ WPX Contest for 1976.

pleased to have Rick Roderick, WA5VDH, as a Member representing the Arkansas DX Association (ADXA). Rick was President of ADXA during 1976 and saw the group grow to the 80 member level with 2300 check-ins to the DX Net. Rick's home QTH is Russellville, AR, but he is presently located at Apt. 16, 515 Brookside Drive, Little Rock, AR 72205, where he has been a student for the past 4 years.

Delta DX Association—New officers are Russ Guidry, K5YMY, President; Wondy Wondergem, K5KR, Vice President; Howard de Laneville, WA5AWF, Secretary; Ralph Rusca, W5CB, Treasurer; and Lowell Otto, W5NO, Board Member. Russ Guidry is also a Member of the CQ DX Awards Advisory Committee.

N4, K4, W4, QSL Bureau—If you have more than one call in the 4th Call Area, you should keep an en-



CW—Phone WAZ #4086 went to Sherman Harrison, WB4FJO, of Kingsport, Tennessee. His roughest zones to work were 24 and 26, and he finally got both on the same day. Sherm is a Jr. High School Principal and holds an Advanced Class License.

velope at the Bureau for each separate call. You cannot have more than one call per envelope. If you wish to have your cards sent monthly, regardless of how few have been received, write *monthly* in the lower left hand corner of the envelope. If you prefer to use all of the postage on each envelope, write *fill* in the lower left hand corner. If you are a QSL Manager and plan to have cards for the stations you handle routed via the Bureau, keep an envelope on file for each callsign. Do **NOT** send outgoing cards to the incoming Bureau. The outgoing Bureau is in Newington, CT.

From the Mailbag

de Don, G2GM—"I am disappointed to learn that the FCC is unable to issue special prefixes this year to

The CQ DX Awards Program

S.S.B.

484...G4CVZ	505...UK4WAB
499...K9LKA	506...DK5WQ
500...WA6EVX/KG6	507...UB5GBD
501...PA9JFH	508...UW9MF
502...WA2AOG	509...UQ2AN
503...K4PHE	510...UT5HP
504...W5DMM	511...VE3GCO

C.W.

260...W8ILC	265...UK6AAJ
261...UR2RCU	266...UR2RDO
262...DK4HD	267...UA6PK
263...G15UR	268...UQ2AN
264...UK1APA	269...UT5HP

S.S.B. Endorsements

150...K9LKA, VE3GCO, W4LVM, W5DMM, WA6-EVX/KG6
200...K9LKA, VE3GCO
250...K9LKA, VE3GCO
275...K9LKA, VE3GCO
300...K9LKA

C.W. Endorsements

150...UT5HP, W4LVM, W8ILC
200...UT5HP, W8ILC
275...K9MM
QRPP...W8ILC

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commemorate the I.T.U. Perhaps those stations unable to operate with a special prefix this year will use the time to QSL contacts made in previous years. After fighting the pile-ups to work the following I still don't have a confirmation: KD2, KD4, KG2, KH2, KI1, KI2, KJ4, KK1, KL2, KM4, KO1, KP2, KQ2, KR2, KS2, KU2, KV2, KV8, KY1, KZ4, WD2, WD8, WE2, WO5, WQ2, WT4, WV4, WV8, WX2, WY1, WY4, NA6, NU4, and NZ1."

(G2GM is a keen prefix hunter with over 1000 confirmed. He is listed in the WPX Honor Roll.—K4IIF)

de Dick, W7VRO—"Must clear up the confusion re the QSL route for D2AAI. Although he sends a log to SM0GMG for European QSLing, I handle all U.S. and other non-European cards. I also handle cards for ZS1XR, but the logs are slow in ar-

The WAZ Program Single Band WAZ

40 Meter C.W.

2...W1DA

20 Meter C.W.

21...I1TLA 22...JH3JEX

20 Meter Phone

45...JA7BJS	48...I6AMU
46...W7OK	49...K7LAY
47...JA1BN	

S.S.B. WAZ

1377...OZ5VT	1380...JA1VNA
1378...DL1YA	1381...I3ZMG
1379...DK3VJ	

C.W.—Phone WAZ

4093...I6AYS	4100...UR2CW
4094...K4CDZ	4101...JH1XHO
4095...DJ1YH	4102...N4CC
4096...DJ7ZZ	4103...JA1AFF
4097...DJ5VH	4104...W7ETZ
4098...DK8FS	4105...JA1OHD
4099...UL7GG	4106...JA1HQ

The complete rules for all WAZ awards are found in the May, 1976 issue of CQ. Application blanks and reprints of the rules may be obtained by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the DX Editor, P.O. Box 205, Winter Haven, FL 33880.

living. My address is P.O. Box 981, Bellingham, WA 98225."

de John, W6YY—"Have just returned from a month's visit to East Africa. In Kenya I found that about 40 amateurs are active, but mostly on 2 meters. Robbie, 5Z4ERR, has sold his pharmacy and is not very active in amateur radio any longer. Bob, 5Z4LW, is quite active, as is Herman, 5Z4RT/DK8RT, who has a lovely spider quad. There is no house delivery of mail in Nairobi, so cards for 5Z4LW should be sent to P.O. Box 47872, and for 5Z4RT to P.O. Box 14425.

Ibrahim, SU1IM, is recovering from an operation with the help of his daughter, SU1MI, who is a physician. He has the Swan 500 loaned by the Northern California DX Foundation, but certain difficulties are preventing him from using it. SU1MA is active at times, but is quite busy with real estate.

In Uganda, only 5X5NK is on the air and then only spasmodically. QSL

to DL1YW. Frank, ET3FF, is the only active, licensed amateur in Ethiopia and his license may not be renewed next year. He is purposely keeping a low profile with a 14AVQ and a small Yagi at roof level. QSL to P.O. Box 1365, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia." *de Bill, VE4BJ*—"Just a note for info on the Winnipeg DX Club. Our president is M. Pura, VE4MP and I am the secretary-treasurer. Correspondence may be directed to me at 578 Oxford St., Winnipeg, MB, Canada R3M 3J9. Our 2-meter frequency is 147.45 MHz."

de Bob, N5RM—"Re your list of 20 most needed on c.w., I operated W9DD/KG6S from Saipan and worked 1000 stations in 2 days on c.w. However, very few U.S. stations, despite tremendous signal reports from the states and frequent CQ W/VE only calls. Hope to be /HB again in the future and also active from the Eastern Carolines. Have moved back to Texas."



The father/son DX duo of Jim, WA3IIX (seated) and Bill, WA3UKY (standing), who operate from Dover, Delaware on 10-160 meters. Delaware is Considered DX by many overseas amateurs.

GC4DAA—c/o G3ZWO, B. J. Barrington, 59 Beatty Ave., Coldean, Brighton, Sussex BN1 9EP England

HC1WW/OA4—Via E. S. Gamble, K1ALP, 25 White Oak Road, Trumbull, CT 06611

HM1KE—To C.P.O. Box 3481, Seoul, Korea

HP1MH—c/o P.O. Box 3398, Panama 4, Republic of Panama

HS1ALD—Via Hans-Ulrich Kurt, ex-HB9-AZX, G.P.O. Box 821, Bangkok, Thailand

HW2ITU—To F6BFH, 21 Rue de la Republique, F-76420 Bihorel, France

HW6NFI (Nantes International Fair)—c/o F9AE, 63 rue Albert-Calmette, F-44000 Nantes, France

JY9EK—c/o WA5LMG, 8410 Gladwood Lane, Dallas, TX 75231

KC6KU—Via WA2EOQ

KG4AN—To C. S. Johnson, WA4MQJ, 2601-G Cashwell Dr., Goldsboro, N.C. 27530

KP6AL—c/o KH6CHC

N9MM/KP6—Via K9ECE

OA4SS—To G. A. Guy, WA6DVE, 5249 W. 138th Place, Hawthorne, CA 90250

OD5HU—c/o SM4CIV

OY1A—Via Bob Huntington, K6XP, 5014 Mindora Drive, Torrance, CA 90505

OY1AT—To K6XP, see OY1A

OY1M—c/o K6XP, see OY1A

PJ8CO (1977 only)—To James Capps, W8AEB, 6158 Wilson Mills Rd., Cleveland, OH 44124

U28WRW—Via Central Radio Club, P.O. Box 88, Moscow, USSR

UR2QD—c/o N6HR

VE3DIY/SU—To VE1APY

VK9RH—c/o P.O. Box 97, Norfolk Island, via Australia

VP1PG—c/o WB9TOU, Paul Gavin, 4900 Louise, Skokie, IL 60076

VP2LU—U.S. stations QSL to WA7OTT, 10610 19th St., S.W. Seattle, WA 98146

VP2SJ—Via R. L. Scott, WBBJEY, 1310 Cheshire Rd., Delaware, Ohio 43015

VR4DH—To P.O. Box 654, Honiara, Solomon Islands

VS5PM—c/o P.O. Box 969, Brunel

W9ABA/ZF1—Via Leo Haisman, 1044 S.E. 43rd St., Cape Coral, FL 33904

WA3FYL/5N2—To A. J. Maggitti, K3UZY, 33 Beverly Ave., E. Lansdowne, PA 19050

WA7OTT/VP2D—c/o WA7PTT (see VP2LDU)

WB9BZL/TI8—Via W. P. Corcoran, WA9UNR, 4336 Mozart St., Chicago, IL 60618

WB9SYA/5N2—To J. B. Forbing, 1416 Lakewood Dr., Ft. Wayne, IN 46819

The WPX Program

Mixed

578...PT2JB 579...UA3RH

SSB

977...DF4FX 981...UA3IAM
978...TR8DG 982...UK5IBM
979...I3ZNG 983...UQ2CR
980...I8KCI

CW

1583...JA3VOV 1594...UA9CGL
1584...K9QVB 1595...UA9FAR
1585...OK3YCA 1596...UA9YAQ
1586...W4TYE 1597...UA9YAR
1587...K4SB 1598...UC2CZ
1588...JA2RGH 1599...UK2PAT
1589...K4OAF 1600...UK9FER
1590...UA3RH 1601...UL7GAC
1591...UA3TAE 1602...UL7JAA
1592...UA6APP 1603...UP2BF
1593...UA9CCE

WPNX

97...WA4RVC

VPX

122...JA1-4876 125...UA0-1035
123...UA4-095-171 125...UC2-009-357
124...UA9-145-47

Endorsements

Mixed: 1275 W9FD, 905 UA3FT, 836 YU1ODS, 757 W2KE, 633 UA3RH, 598 PT2JB, 509 VE7DP. SSB: 1205 I8KDB, 1110 I4ZSQ, 1090 HP1JC, 900 WA5VDH, WB4KZG, 652 TR8DG, 648 YU1ODS, 550 JH1VRQ, 528 UK5IBM, 450 I3ZNG, 410 IS0MVE, 353 UA3IAM, 330 DF4FX.

CW: 1161 W9FD, 954 YU1AG, 792 G3OCA, 749 VE1MF, 666 K9QVB, 639 YU1ODS, 500 UK5VAA, 550 UA3RH, 467 WB4SIJ, 363 K4SB, 360 GW3-SB, 350 OK3YCA, 323 UL7JAA, 320 W4TYE, 310 UA9YAR, 309 UA9CCE, UA9FAR, UA9YAQ, UK9FER, 304 UL7GAC, 302 UA6APP, 301 UA9-CGL, UC2CZ, UK2PAT, 300 JA3VOV, JA2RGH, K4OAF, UA3TAE, UP2BF.

10 Mtrs: W1CHA, UA3FT.

15 Mtrs: JA1-4876, W1CHA, UK4WAB, UA3FT.

20 Mtrs: JA1-4876, W1CHA, YS1JWD, JA2RGH, UK4WAB, UA3FT, UA3RH.

40 Mtrs: WB4SIJ, UK4WAB, UD6BW, UA3FT.

80 Mtrs: G3OCA, OK3YCA, UK4WAB, UA3FT, UA3RH.

Africa: UA3FT.

Asia: JA1-4876, YU1OCV, VK3WU, UA3FT, UK5-IBM, UA3RH.

Europe: JA1-4876, YU1OCV, OK3YCA, VK3WU, UQ2CR, UA3FT, UA3RH.

No. Am: YS1JWD, UA3FT, K2UPR.

Oceania: JA1-4876, VK3WU.

Complete rules and application forms for the CQ WPX Awards program may be obtained by sending a business size, self-addressed, stamped envelope to "CQ WPX AWARDS," 5014 Mindora Dr., Torrance, CA 90505



Fred, W5UTT, is Executive Director of the American Radio Council, the group which secured withdrawal of a bill from the Texas Legislature which would have fined hams \$100 for TVI. Thanks to the Council, a new bill has been introduced requiring manufacturers to install adequate high pass filters. Fred is an enthusiastic c.w. DXer, running an S-Line to a 4-element quad. He holds an Extra Class license.

QSL Information

Over the years, several readers have requested that QSL Information include complete addresses rather than just the callsigns of QSL Managers. Beginning with the June, 1977 issue we are complying with this request wherever possible.

A4XGX—Via P.O. Box 8656, Salalah, Oman

A51RG—To Rinchen Gyeltshen, Amateur Radio Station, c/o Postmaster, Thimphu, Bhutan

A35CR—c/o 4Z4TT

A7XA—Via DJ9ZB

EL2AR—To WA5ZWC, D. M. Peddie, 5027 Braesheather, Houston, TX 77035

EL7E—c/o A. Hetzenegger, DK5RL, Proel-erstr. 5-A, D-8630 Deggendorf, Germany

EL8N—Via B.L.O. Johansson, SM4CWY Borresveg. 4, S-67100 Arvika, Sweden

F6BBJ/A (Abu Ail)—To J. Billaud, F6BBJ, 11 rue R. Champenier, F-58000 Nevers, France

F08DF—P.O. Box 5225, Pirae, Tahiti, French Polynesia

F08EY—P.O. Box 5444, Pirae, Tahiti, French Polynesia

FG7AR/FS7 (March 16 & 17, 1977 only)—Via Bill Jacobs, K3-RYA, 208 Sleepy Hollow Rd., Pnttsburgh, PA 15216



DK3SN, operated by Ladislav Holanda, ex-OK1AJX, is one of the top DX and contest stations of central Europe, as evidenced by the wall full of DX and contest awards. He also operates mobile using an Atlas 210. A recent trip included IHB9, IHB0 and IOE. Ladislav earned his WAZ from his home QTH near Stuttgart using only a dipole antenna. Making WAZ without a beam is a rare achievement.

Math's Notes

A look at the technical side of things

Last month, you will recall, we spoke about simple filter circuitry. This month we will continue the discussion with filters that are just a bit more complex but, with much sharper filter action.

As you will recall, we covered both low pass and high pass configurations and gave examples of the implementation of those devices with op-amps to reduce gain losses. To sharpen up these simple circuits even further we refer to fig. 1.

Here we have taken two low pass filters (R and C) and isolated them

by means of two op-amps or dual op-amp. Each filter acts independently on its input and, of course, the input to the second stage has already been filtered once. This results in a sharper low pass characteristic as shown on the accompanying graph. The gain of the op amps in this circuit must be adjusted to just restore the losses in the actual filter elements.

The same procedure can be used with high pass filter elements to achieve a sharper response. In fig. 2, we have a simple modification of fig. 1 that eliminates many of the problems associated with fig. 1. In

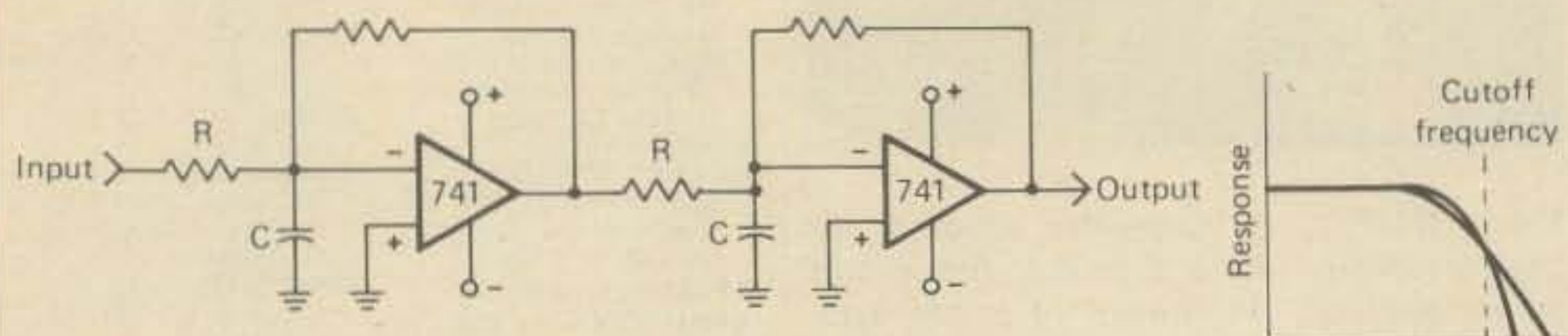


Fig. 1—A two stage low pass filter. The d.c. offsets have not been considered in this circuit.

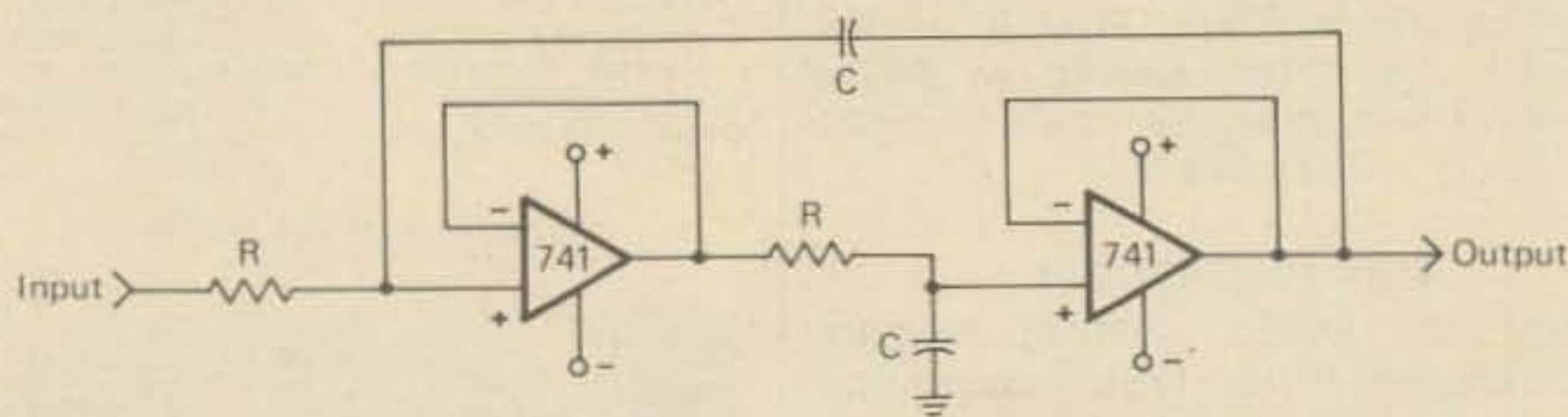


Fig. 2—A modified version of fig. 1. This unity gain configuration eliminates most of the undesirable characteristics of fig. 1.

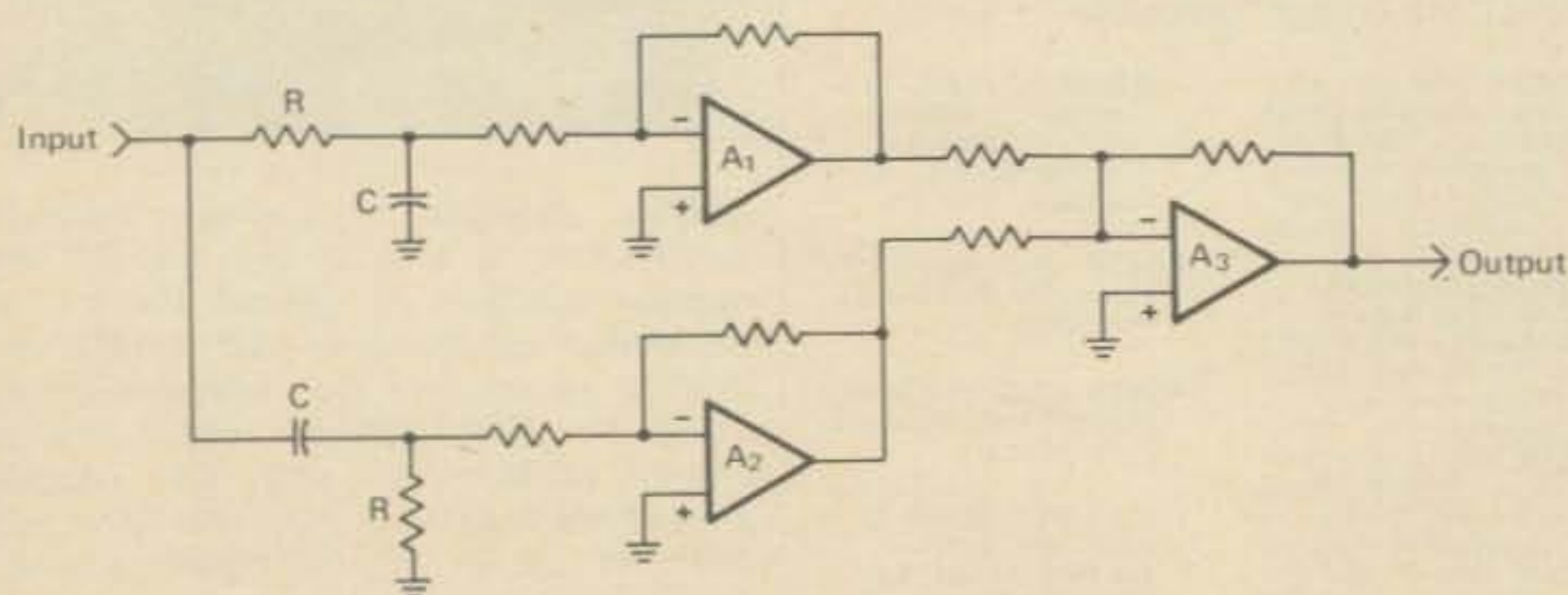


Fig. 3—A bandpass filter constructed of high and low pass elements.

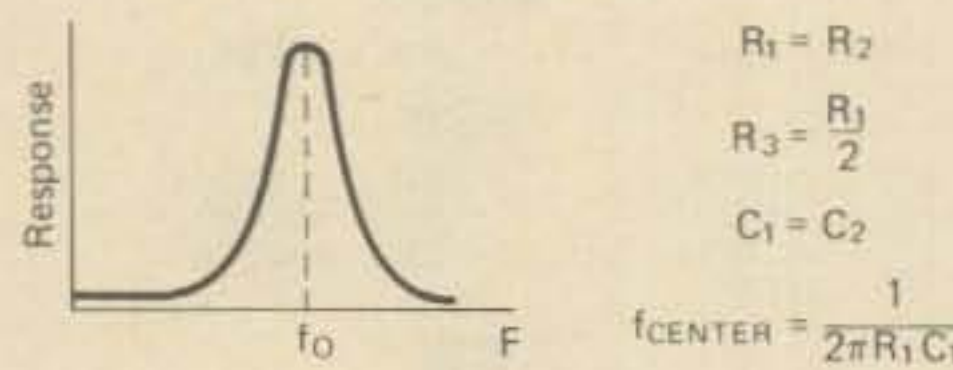
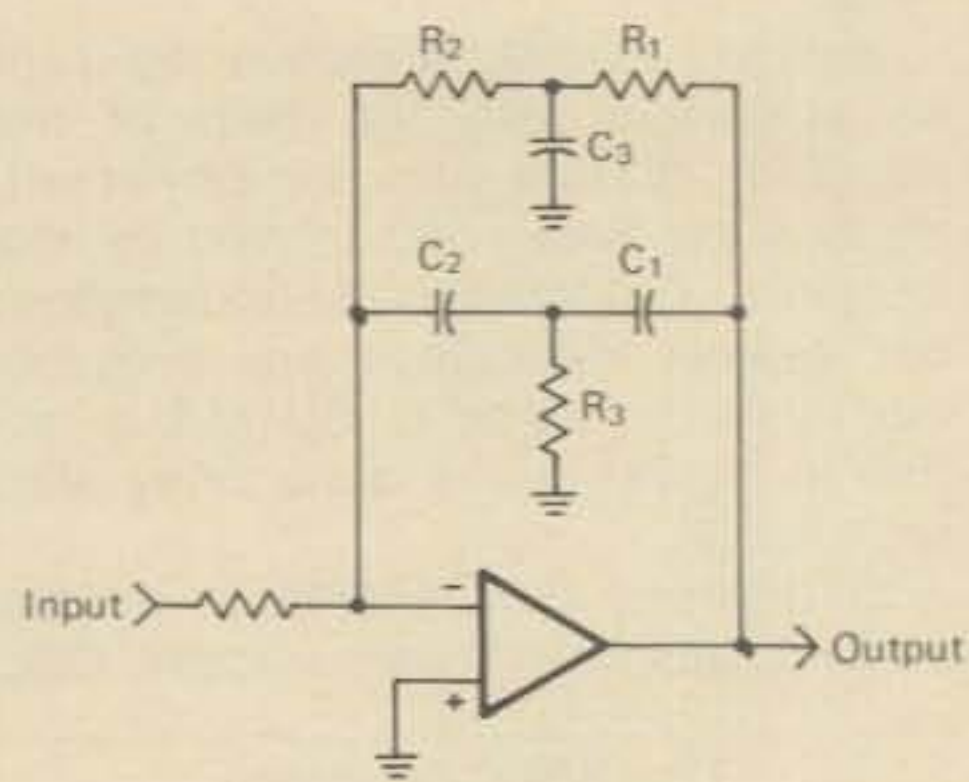


Fig. 4—A bandpass filter using a twin-T network.

this circuit, both op-amps are connected as unity gain-non inverting amplifiers. Operation of the center section is as in the previous case. Output of the second amplifier is fed back, through a capacitor to the first stage and overall gain is a function of the reactance of the feed-back capacitor. The primary advantage here is, that since the gains are only unity, offset voltages etc. have very little effect. Also, the high input impedances of the unity gain op-amp configuration allow high value resistors and small value capacitors to be employed.

When it is desired to pass only a band of frequencies, the circuitry changes. One could use a scheme such as fig. 3 where A1 is a low pass filter element, A2 a high pass filter element and A3 a summing amplifier, combining the outputs of the two filter elements.

This system will work but a better configuration is the one shown in fig. 4. The feedback network to the op-amp is called a twin-T bridge. In a certain sense, it is similar to the

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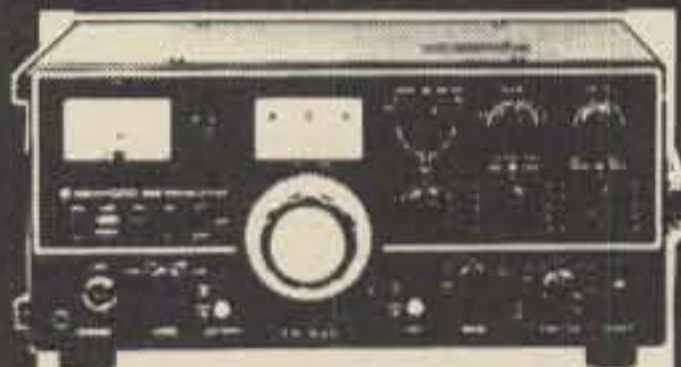
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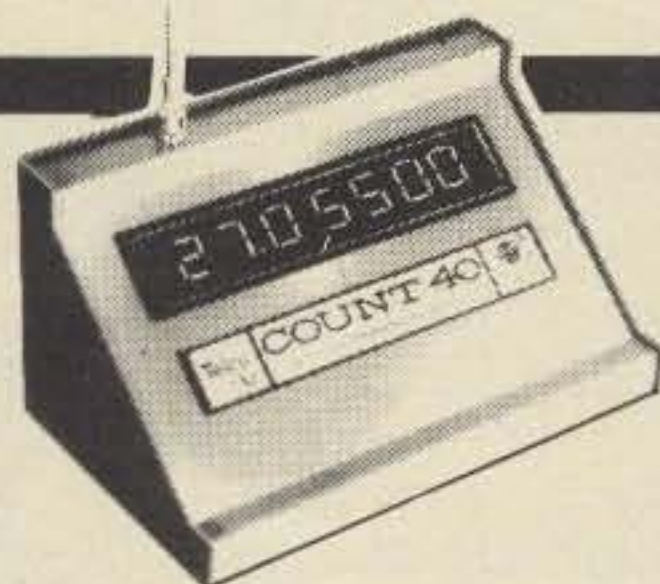
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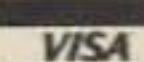
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Contest Calendar

News/views of on-the-air competition

The announcement for this year's CQ World Wide Contest appears on page 24 of this issue. Several rule modifications have been made so I advise you to carefully read the rules. The changes appear in *italic* print for ease of identification and they are also summarized below.

Starting with this year's contest, check sheets (dupe sheets) will be required for all bands on which an entrant contacts 200 or more stations.

Also, for each duplicate not deleted in a log a penalty of 3 contacts will be deducted from the score by the committee.

In the area of determining single operator criteria, the use of a spotting net is now prohibited to all who wish to enter as a single operator. (Such as a 2 meter repeater).

And lastly, stations not operating thru their licensed location and outside of their home call area will be required to sign portable.

Under Par. IX, Trophies and Plaques, you will note that 8 additional awards have been made for Canada, Oceania, USA and the World, making a total of 38 now awarded. We have also spelled out the interpretation of the residency clause.

On 80 meters the JA's are confined to a narrow band between 3793 and 3802 kHz. It is obvious that calling CQ and on frequency operation by stateside stations in this narrow 9 kHz will make it almost impossible to work the JA's. It is therefore suggested that the 160 "DX Window" technique be used and let the JA's indicate where they are listening, in a split frequency operation.

The Ohio Buckeye Belles will operate their Memorial station W8MBI and individually during the Ohio QSO Party, Aug. 27th and 28th. The YL's are awarding certificates to Ohio stations working 12 "Belles". Requirements for other states are 8 contacts, and 4 for DX stations. Logs should include the number of the Belle worked and go to: Certificate Custodian

*Sherwood Rd., Stamford, Conn. 06905

Calendar of Events

- * Sept. 3-5 Four Land QSO Party
- Sept. 10 North American Sprint
- ** Sept. 10-11 European Phone Contest
- * Sept. 10-11 Wash. State QSO Party
- * Sept. 10-11 Pennsylvania QSO Party
- * Sept. 10-11 Albatross SSTV Contest
- Sept. 10-11 ARRL VHF QSO Party
- Sept. 14-16 YLRL "Howdy Days"
- Sept. 17-18 VE/W Contest
- Sept. 17-19 Maryland/DC QSO Party
- Sept. 17-18 Scandinavian C.W.
- Sept. 24-25 Scandinavian Phone
- Sept. 24-25 Delta QSO Party
- Sept. 25-26 Classic Radio Exchange
- Oct. 1-2 California QSO Party
- † Oct. 1-2 VK/ZL/Oceania Phone
- Oct. 8-9 VK/ZL/Oceania C.W.
- Oct. 8-9 RSGB 21/28 MHz Phone
- Oct. 12-13 YLRL Anniv. C.W. Party
- Oct. 14-16 Boy Scouts Jamboree
- Oct. 15-16 WADM Contest
- Oct. 15-16 Manitoba QSO Party
- Oct. 15-16 RSGB 7 MHz Phone
- Oct. 29-30 CQ WW DX Phone Contest**
- Nov. 3-4 YLRL Anniv. Phone Party
- Nov. 5-6 ARRL C.W. Sweepstakes
- Nov. 5-6 RSGB 7 MHz. C.W. Contest
- Nov. 12-13 European RTTY Contest
- Nov. 12-13 Int. Police Assoc. Party
- Nov. 19-20 ARRL Phone Sweepstakes
- Nov. 19-20 WWDXA C.W. Contest
- Nov. 26-27 CQ WW DX C.W. Contest**

- * Covered last month
- ** See July Issue
- † Not Official

Marge, K8ITF, 1608 Rangeley Ave., Dayton, Ohio 45403. Include 50c for mailing costs.

73 for now, Frank, W1WY

North American Sprint

From 7:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M.
Pacific Daylight Time, Saturday
September 10th. (0200 GMT)

Organized by the National Contest Journal this contest is a real shorty, 4 hours and on c.w. only. Contacts can be made between North American stations and between stations in other continents and North Americans. (WAC boundaries used as standard).

Classes: Single operator and multi-operator, both single and multi-transmitter.

Exchange: Your call, QSO no., name and QTH. (State, VE province or country).

Scoring: For No. American stations—Multiply total QSO's by sum of states, VE call areas and DX countries worked. For others—Multiply total QSO's by states, VE call areas and No. American countries worked. (KH6 not counted as a state). (VE1, VO1, VO2 one call area).

Frequencies: 1800—1820, 3530—3550, 7030—7050, 14030—14050. (4 bands only). Same station may be worked on each band for QSO credit.

Awards: Appropriate certificates and trophies will be awarded.

Special Rule: No. American stations calling CQ NA and making a contact are not permitted to call CQ or QRZ on the same frequency again but must move at least 5 kHz before calling CQ again. He can however answer if called by another station.

Club competition is limited to a total of 15 operators as a single entry unit. A club may enter more than one unit. To qualify each operator in the unit must be registered with contest coordinator W6OAT no later than 6.30 P.M. Sept. 10th.

Use a separate sheet for each band, indicate each multiplier the first time it is worked, and include a summary and check sheet with your entry. A signed declaration is also requested.

Logs go to: Rusty Epps, W6OAT, 39 Belcher Street, San Francisco, CA 94114.

(I would suggest checking the National Contest Journal for more details).

YLRL "Howdy Days"

Starts: 1800 GMT Wed. September 14
Ends: 1800 GMT Fri. September 16

This activity is for YL's and scores will be based on contacts between YL's only. All bands and modes may be used, but cross-band and Net contacts do not count.

Score 2 points for each YLRL member worked and 1 point if its with a non-member. Only one contact with the same station is permitted regardless of the band. There is no multiplier, just add the QSO points.

The top scoring YLRL member will receive her choice of a YLRL pin, a charm or stationery. The highest scoring non-member receives a one year membership in the YLRL.

Logs must be received before October 17th and go to: Carol Bourne, WA9NEJ, 362 Hawthorne St., Glen Ellyn, Ill. 60137.

VE/W Contest

C.W.: 0001-2400 GMT Sat. Sept. 17
Phone: 0001-2400 GMT Sun. Sept. 18

Its the VE/VO's and W/K's exchanging contacts in the "General" portions of the US bands in this one.

Like last year the contest will be divided into c.w. and phone, with separate operating times for each. Separate logs are therefore required.

Only 18 hours total operating time may be used in the 24 hour period of each contest. The minimum time off period is 15 mins. which must be indicated on the log.

The same station may be worked on each band for QSO and multiplier credit. And there are two classes of entries, single and multi-operator.

Exchange: RS(T) plus a progressive QSO no. starting with 001 and QTH. ARRL section for W/K, geographical areas for VE/VO. (9 provinces plus Nfld., Lab., Yukon and N.W.T.)

Scoring: Two points per QSO. VE/VO use ARRL sections worked on each band for their multiplier, W/K use VE areas, max. of 13 on each band. In addition a multiplier of 10 has been instituted for W/K's to equalize the W/VE scores. (QSL's \times area multiplier \times 10 = Final Score).

Awards: Certificates to the top scorers in each class in each section with at least two entries. (min. of 25 QSO's). The Montreal A.R.C. is also donating Plaques to the top scoring over-all entry, c.w. and phone, in the U.S. and Canada.

Official log sheets are not necessary, a reasonable facsimile is acceptable. However summary and check sheets for entries with 200 or more contacts are a must. A signed declaration that rules and regulations have been observed is also requested.

Mailing deadline is October 31st to: Montreal A.R.C., P.O. Box 2206, Dorval, Quebec, H9S 3K9 Canada.

Maryland/D.C. QSO Party

Starts: 2300 GMT Saturday, Sept. 17
Ends: 0100 GMT Monday, Sept. 19

This is the 11th annual party sponsored by the Maydale A.R.S. The same station may be worked on each band and mode for QSO points as well as band multiplier.

Exchange: QSO no., RS(T) and QTH. County for Maryland, ARRL sections for others. Baltimore and Washington are independent cities.

Scoring: Two points for each QSO. MD/DC use ARRL sections and countries for their multiplier. Others use Maryland counties and Independent cities. (max. of 24 for each band).

Frequencies: On c.w. 75 kHz from low end of each band on even hours. On phone 25 kHz from top of each band on odd hours. Try 10 and 15 on the half hour. And 6, 2 and 220 may be worked through repeaters.

Awards: Certificates to the top scorers in each ARRL section, MD county and D.C., and in each country, both phone and c.w. A Plaque to the Top Scorer with a combined total from all bands and all modes.

Use a separate log sheet for each band and mode as well as a check sheet for each band and mode with over 100 contacts.

A summary sheet showing the scoring, name and address in Block Letters, and a signed declaration that all rules and regulations were observed is also requested.

Mailing deadline is November 1st to: Maydale A.R.S., c/o C. E. Andersen, W3XE/W5TWT, 1406 Claude Lane, Silver Spring, MD 20904.

Scandinavian Activity Contest

C.W. Sept. 17-18 Phone—Sept. 24-25
Starts: 1500 GMT Saturday
Ends: 1800 GMT Sunday

Major changes have been made in the scoring so check the Points and Multiplier paragraphs closely.

It's the world working the Scandinavians in this the 19th S.A.C. The same station may be worked on each

band, 3.5 thru 28 MHz, for QSO and multiplier credit. Phone and c.w. are separate contests.

The prefixes used in Scandinavia are: LA/LB/LG/LJ, Norway. JW, Svalbard. JX, Jan Mayen. OF/OG/OH/OI, Finland. OH0, Aland Is. OJ0, Market Reef. OX, Greenland. OY, Faroe Is. OZ, Denmark. SJ/SK/SL/SM, Sweden.

Classes: Single operator and multi-operator, single and multi transmitter. Multi transmitter stations must use separate series of serial numbers for each band. Club stations are considered multi-operator.

Exchange: RS(T) and QSO number starting with 001.

Points: For European stations: 1 point for each QSO on any band.

For non-European: 1 point per QSO on 14, 21, 28 MHz. 3 points if its on 7 or 3.5 MHz.

Multiplier: Each call area in the above list of Scandinavian countries worked on each band. (LA1, LB1, LJ1 are in same call area, as are SM3, SK3, SL3.) Portable stations in Denmark or Norway count as the 10th area. OH0 is the 10th area for Finland. And OJ0 counts as a separate area.

Final Score: The sum of QSO points from all band times the sum of the multiplier from each band.

Awards: Certificates to the highest scoring stations in each class, both phone and c.w., in each country and each U.S. call area.

Use a separate log for each band. Include a summary sheet showing the scoring, your name and address in Block Letters and a signed declaration that all rules and regulations have been observed.

The First Annual Contesters Roundup sponsored by the Texas Association of Contest Operators (TACO) was held in Houston, Texas last March. Bob Cox, K3EST, Co-Director of our World Wide DX Contest was one of the speakers on the program and presented two awards won in CQ DX Contests.



Dave Blaschke, W5WZQ winner of the Northern Illinois DX Assoc. 1975 W.W. C.W. Single Band Plaque for the U.S.A. Dave did it on 7 MHz.



Mike Badolato, W5MYA winner of the North Florida DX Assoc. 1976 WPX SSB Contest World Trophy for his operation from VP2G.

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Mailing deadline is Oct. 15th. This year your logs go to: The NRRL Contest Committee, P.O. Box 21, Refstad, Oslo 5, Norway.

Delta QSO Party

Starts: 1800 GMT Sat., September 24
Ends: 2400 GMT Sun., September 25

This is the 8th annual QSO Party sponsored by the Delta Division of the ARRL. Delta stations (Ark., La., Miss., Tenn.) may work stations both in and outside their boundaries, others only Delta stations. The same station may be worked on each band and mode, and portables and mobiles each county change.

Exchange: QSO. no., RS(T) and QTH. County and state for Delta stations. ARRL section for all others.

Scoring: For Delta — Total QSOs times ARRL sections worked. (max. of 75)

Outside Delta—QSOs times Delta counties worked. (max. of 316) DX stations may be worked but for QSO points only.

Frequencies: C.W. — 3550, 7050, 14050, 21050, 28050, SSB-3990, 7290, 14290, 21390, 28590. Novice — 3775, 7175, 21125, 28125.

Certificate Awards:

A. Achievement: All stations contacting 5 or more stations in each of the 4 Delta states.

B. Delta: To the 3 highest scoring stations in each of the 4 Delta states, 4th and 5th if warranted.

C. Others: To the highest scoring station in each ARRL section and each country, 2nd and 3rd if warranted.

D. Plaques: Top scorers in and outside the Delta division. Top portable and mobile Delta stations. Highest scoring Delta Club station.

Mailing deadline Oct. 21st to Malcolm P. Keown, W5RUB, 213 Moonmist, Vicksburg, Miss. 39180.

Classic Radio Exchange

Starts: 1800 GMT Sunday, Sept. 25
Ends: 0100 GMT Monday, Sept. 26

This is the Fall edition of this un-

usual activity sponsored by the Southeast A. R. C.

Object is to restore, operate and enjoy older equipment with like-minded hams. A Classic Radio is any piece of equipment built since 1945 but at least 10 years old. (An advantage but not required to enter).

The same station may be worked on each band and mode and with different equipment combinations, but no a.m. phone below 21 MHz. (Non-contestants may also be worked).

Exchange: Name, RS(T), state, province or DX country, receiver and transmitter type. (i.e.: home brew, 807 final and etc.) Also any other interesting information.

Scoring: Add the number of different transmitters and receivers, states, provinces and DX countries worked on each band. Multiply by number of QSO's made. Multiply that total by the Classic multiplier. (Total years old of all transmitters and receivers used. Minimum of 3 QSO's per unit.) Multiply years old by 2 if its a transceiver.

Frequencies: C.W.—60 kHz from low edge of each band. Phone — 3910, 7280, 14280, 21380, 28580. Novice/Technicians—3720, 7120, 21120, 28120.

Awards: Certificates to the highest scorers, longest DX, most equipment combinations, oldest equipment, and "unusual achievement."

Send logs with comments, pictures, anecdotes and etc. to: Stu Stephens, K8SJ/W8KAJ, 2386 Queenston Road, Cleveland Heights, OH 44118. Include s.a.s.e. for Newsletter.

California QSO Party

Starts: 1800 GMT Saturday, Oct. 1
Ends: 2400 GMT Sunday, Oct. 2

This year's party is again sponsored by the Northern California Contest Club. Last year there were 112 Cal. entries from 50 counties. They expect to exceed that total this year.

Operating time is limited to 24 out of the 30 hour contest period. Off time must be at least 15 minutes and shown on log.

The same station may be worked once per band and mode, portables and mobiles each county change. Cal. stations may work each other for QSO points but only one multiplier. DX stations for QSO points only.

Exchange: QSO no., and QTH. County for Cal., state, province or country for others.

Scoring: Two points per QSO. The multiplier for Cal. is the number of different states and VE call areas worked. (VE max. of 8). Others use Cal. counties for their multiplier.

(max. of 58)

Frequencies: c.w. — 1805, 3560, 7060, 14060, 21060, 28060, s.s.b. — 1815, 3895, 7230, 14280, 21355, 28560. Try 10 on the hour, 15 on the half hour between 1800 and 2200 GMT.

Awards: Certificates to the top scorers in each Cal. county, state, VE province and country, 2nd and 3rd place if justified. Also to the top scoring mobile, portable, multi-single, multi-multi and club submitting the highest aggregate score. (min. of 20 QSO for portables)

Indicate each new multiplier as worked. Include a summary sheet with your entry showing the scoring, type of entry and etc. A large s.a.s.e. will get you the results.

Mailing deadline is Oct. 31st to: Northern Cal. Contest Club, c/o Lew Jenkins, N6VV, 1750 Eucalyptus Ct., Concord, CA 94521.

VK/ZL/Oceania DX Contest

Phone: Oct. 1-2 C.W.: Oct. 8-9

Starts: 1000 GMT Saturday

Ends: 1000 GMT Sunday

Stations in the rest of the world will concentrate on working stations in Oceania, with the emphasis on VK/ZL for their multiplier.

Rules apply to stations other than VK/ZL.

Exchange: RS(T) plus a progressive QSO number starting with 001.

Scoring: For Oceania: 2 points for VK/ZL contacts, 1 point with rest of world.

Outside Oceania: 2 points for VK/ZL contacts, 1 point for other Oceania contacts.

Final Score: Total QSO points multiplied by the sum total of VK/ZL call areas worked on each band. (Single band logs also accepted).

Awards: Attractive certificates to the top all band scorers, phone and c.w., in each country and call areas of JA, W/K and the USSR. Single band awards if returns warrant.

Logs: Date/time in GMT, station worked, number sent/rec'd. band, QSO points. Underline each new VK/ZL call area worked on each band. Use a separate sheet for each band. A summary sheet showing the scoring, name and address in Block Letters and a signed declaration that all rules and regulations have been observed.

There is also a s.w.l. section. Only VK/ZL stations are to be logged. Include call of station being worked and serial number sent.

Logs must be in the hands of the Committee no later than Jan. 31, 1978. This year they go to: Wireless Institute of Australia, P.O. Box 67, East Melbourne, 3002 Victoria, Australia.

Math's Notes (from page 80)

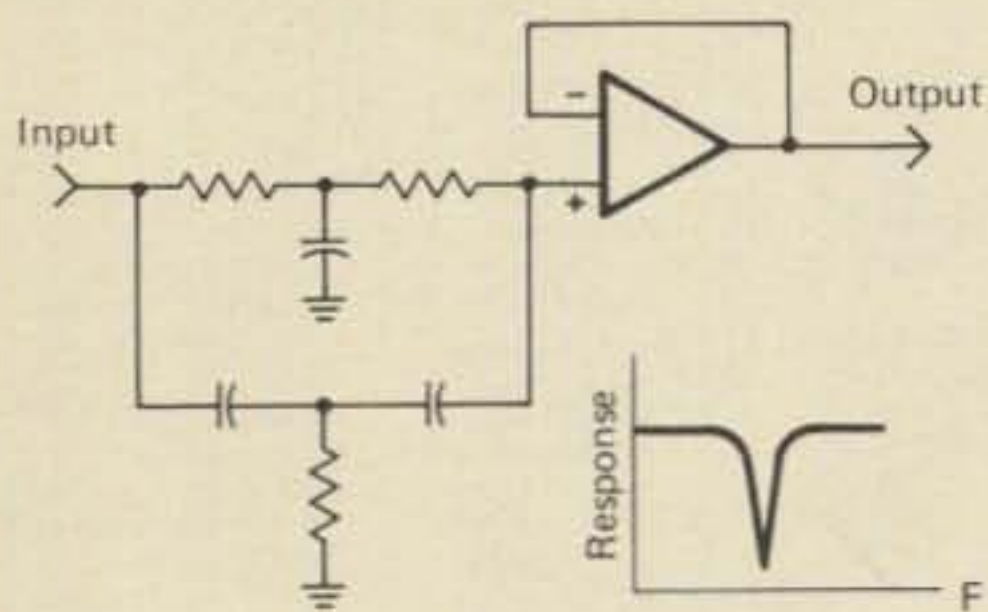


Fig. 5—The twin-T connected as a notch filter.

circuit in fig. 3 in that R_1C_3 could be thought of as a low pass filter while C_1R_3 could be a high pass filter. What actually happens however, is that frequencies applied to the input are phase-shifted by the upper and lower network but only at one frequency (depending on the values of R and C) is the phase-shift such that the input and output cancel. As a result, for all other frequencies, the network has a low impedance and the op amp, low gain. At the "resonant" frequency the feedback becomes very high and the amplifier exhibits considerable gain. A graph of the type of response is given in the figure as are typical selection criteria for component values. For best response, R and C values should be closely matched.

If this same network is now moved to the input, as shown in fig. 5, we gain a notch filter with a response as shown. This type of circuit is useful to reject unwanted frequencies such as 60 Hz hum since the notch can be made quite deep.

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DX (from page 79)

- YB7HB—c/o H. Sasaki, JA8BMK, P.O. Box 150, Asahigawa, Hokkaido 070-91, Japan
- YO0ITU—Via G. Cralu, YO3RF, P.O. Box 1395, Bucuresti 5, Romania
- YS10—To K. K. Miller, W2KF, 309 Cherry Hill Blvd., Cherry Hill, N.J. 08034
- ZL3OG/C—c/o Don Scott, Radio Station, Chatham Islands, via New Zealand
- ZV0ITU—Via J. B. Franco, PT2JB, Sqn. 113, BI D/607, Asa Norte Comercial, 70000 Brasilia
- 3A0GP—To J. J. Goddard, F6BFJ, 46 Ave du Cap d'Ail, F-06 La Turbie, France
- 4J8F—c/o UF6HS, E. A. Melnik, Central Radio Club, P.O. Box 88, Moscow, USSR
- 4K1D—Via UA3AEL, Central Radio Club, P.O. Box 88, Moscow, USSR
- 4K1F—To UA3AEL (See 4K1D)
- 4M2YV—c/o B. M. Espinoza, YV2YV, P.O. Box 456, Merida, Merida, Venezuela
- 4X4BL—Via C. L. Kelsey, WB2EDV, RFD-2, W. Lake Rd., Mayville, NY 14757
- 4Z4BG—To A. P. Stein, WB4FSV, Thunderbird Trail, Maitland, FL 32751
- 4Z4EV—c/o WB4FSV (See 4Z4BG)
- 4Z4PG—Via Joe Arcure, Jr., W3HNC, P.O. Box 73, Edgemont, PA 19028
- 5B4BK—To J. Schatzberger, OE2S JL, Kaserne Siesenheim, A-5071 Wals, Austria
- 5H3KS—c/o K. Schmidt, DK5EC, Am Erlensteg 31, D-6350 Nieder Moerlen, Germany
- 5Z4OM—Via Fumio Kaneko-Bun, JA1BUY, 365-1 Rokku, Maebashi Gunma. 371, Japan
- 5Z4PV—To K. Nakamura, JA1BGS, 2-12-205 Tamagawa Bldg., Komaie, Tokyo, 182, Japan
- 5Z4PZ—c/o F6EAO, J. M. Chapron, 6 rue Robert-Ayle, F-92600 Asnieres, France
- 9J2SJ, 9J2TN, & 9J2WK—Via R. W. Schlagheck, W3HHV, RFD-1, Fairfield, PA 17320

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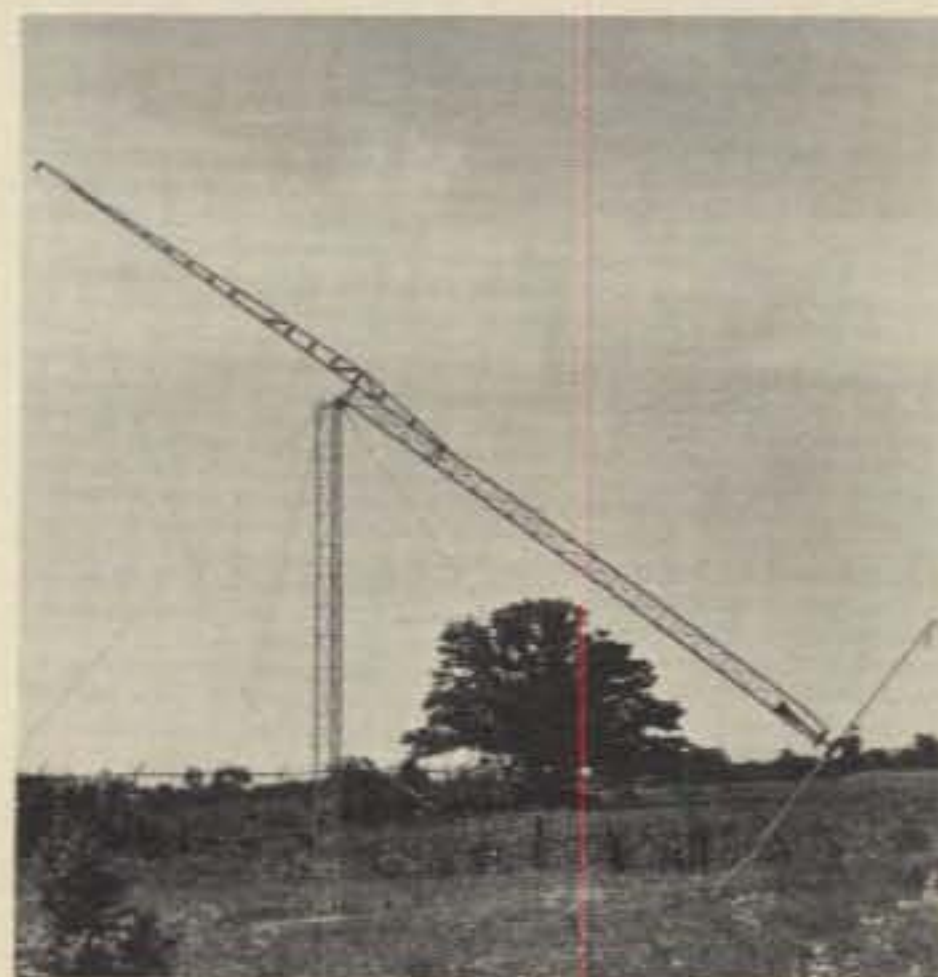
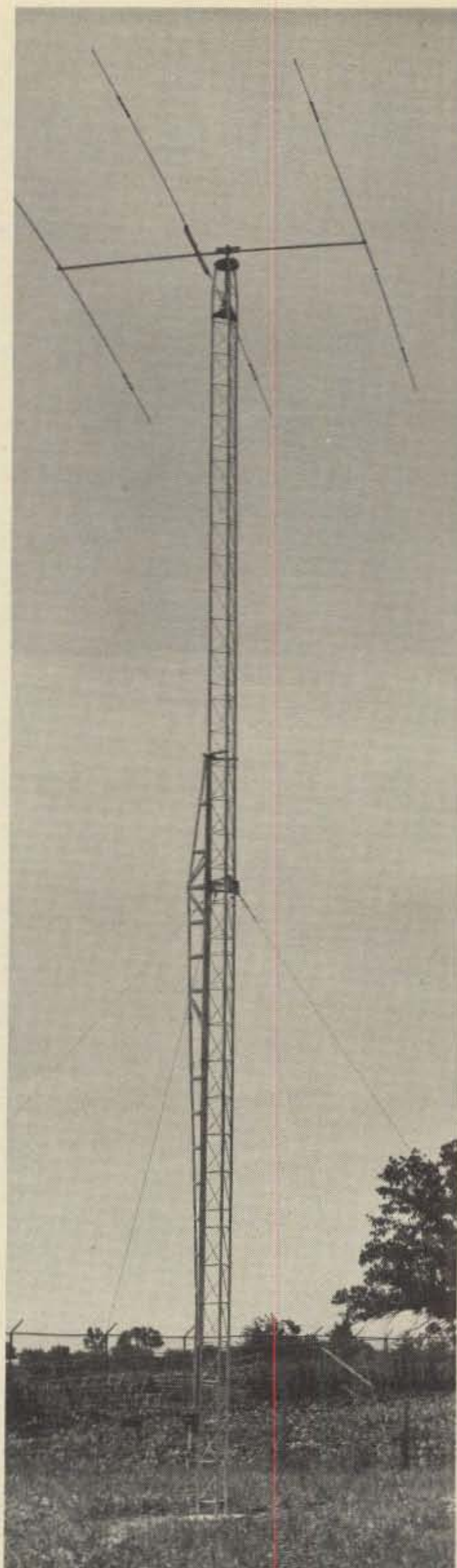
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Table listing various countries and their corresponding codes and values. Includes entries for Alaska, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, Canada, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Grand Cayman, Greenland, Guadeloupe, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Montserrat, Panama, and Puerto Rico.

Table listing various countries and their corresponding codes and values. Includes entries for ASIA, India, Iran, Israel, Japan, Azerbaijan, Armenia, Georgia, Kazakh, Kirghiz, Turkoman, Uzbek, and Mongolia.

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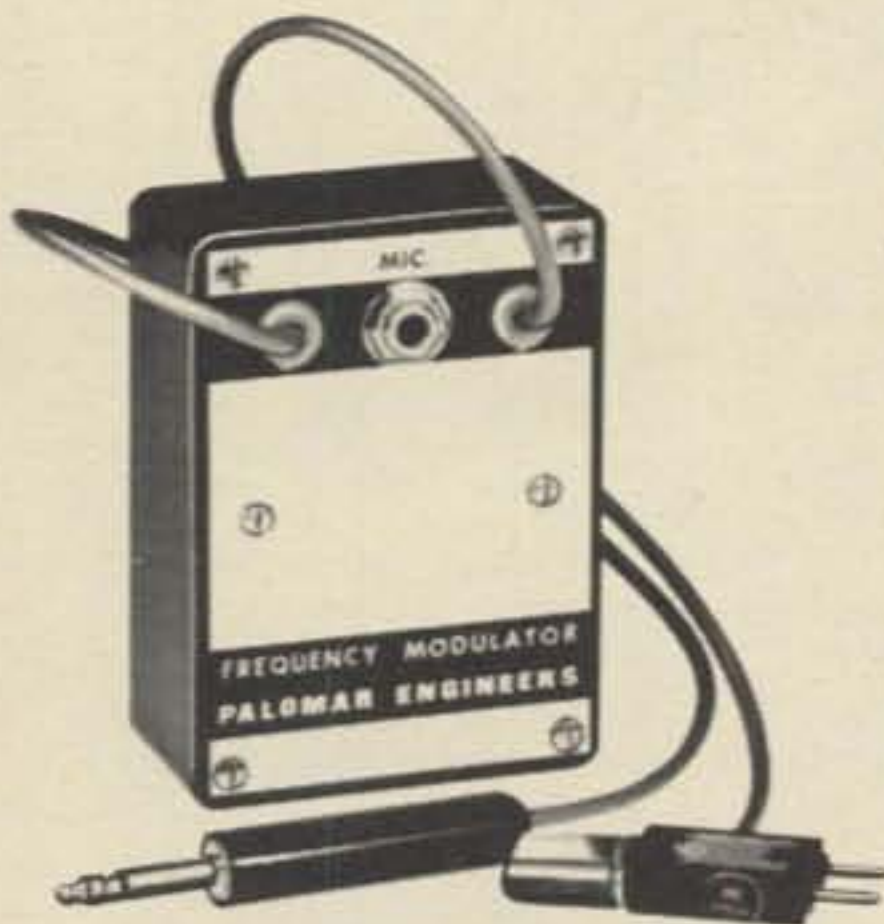
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OK3CWS	1,254	55	5	17	France	DM3DE	1,856	29	10	22	Norway	LA9JM	69,255	253	37	98	Portugal	CT4AT	2,809,421	2,881	97	312				
OL5ATZ	833	50	2	15	F6EID	389,844	955	60	161	DM3ZIM	1,075	33	9	16	LA7JQ	52,426	265	30	86	A 2,809,421	2,881	97	312			
OK2PAW	816	49	3	13	F6ARC	369,344	1,000	54	145	DM4ZUJ	700	25	9	19	LA5IH	35,638	212	25	78	(Opr. WA3HRV)	CT1QN	7	24,492	299	11	41
OK1MNV	800	38	2	14	F8VJ	270,837	573	55	134	DM4RDA	26,492	147	20	54	LA6XI	5,040	55	17	25	Romania	YO7DL	207,999	599	53	138	
OK2BQL	728	52	2	12	F6BFN	185,706	552	49	122	DM2BLE	9,996	81	16	33	LA3UG	3,740	77	10	34	YO3CR	133,732	551	50	143		
OL8CGI	700	54	2	12	F8NL	137,751	535	33	78	DM3UE	3,939	37	15	24	LA7MU	1,230	41	8	22	YO8DD	53,170	237	38	92		
OK3CEI	660	48	2	13	F6ERZ	71,173	308	36	67	DM2BML	2,139	34	11	20	LA6NI	9,282	120	12	30	YO2QY	44,880	262	27	97		
OL9CFE	546	42	2	12	F9BB	70,485	268	35	92	DM4VUG	37,554	260	18	48	LA2Q	588	18	6	15	YO4ATW	32,663	204	28	61		
OL6AUL	494	41	2	11	F6EBN	61,798	361	31	75	DM2CYE	13,715	99	19	46	LA8WG	3,600	121	4	26	YO7ARZ	25,296	176	30	82		
OK2PDL	378	27	2	12	F8TM	56,492	258	32	84	DM3VMJ	12,342	130	14	37	Poland	SP7CTY	325,638	812	57	180						
OK1JER	252	33	2	7	F2VO	51,072	295	28	84	DM2FJL	11,931	117	14	27	SP4DCS	178,363	702	43	138							
OK1AYY	180	13	3	9	F6API	42,583	225	28	69	DM2CKJ	6,149	84	11	32	SP9CDA	168,392	552	54	140							
OK3CAA	165	16	2	9	F6DNR	38,106	213	29	58	DM2FDO	4,644	68	12	24	SP5AFL	66,300	288	42	108							
OL8CHI	63	12	2	5	F2PC	32,476	205	27	65	DM2BUB	3,584	47	12	20	SP2BIK	40,828	175	36	82							
OK3CFT	18	4	2	4	F5RS	13,384	91	20	36	DM3CF	1,944	42	8	10	SP8EMO	36,612	206	30	78							
Denmark					F6BQJ	6,732	57	19	25	DM2FBM	946	19	10	12	SP6FER	34,375	156	29	96							
OZ1VY	322,560	619	64	160	F6EQI	5,859	87	18	17	DM2CTD	560	29	5	9	SP1ALK	25,991	116	36	46							
OZ6XT	51,168	174	45	78	F6CRT	21	26,400	184	19	31	DM3WMJ	22,100	227	15	53	SP2ZHB/2										
OZ6XR	42,344	508	15	64	F6DIM	21	26,428	203	15	29	DM2FFL	5,016	114	9	29	SP8GUV	24,975	124	28	59						
OZ5QU	34,485	165	34	61	F5UL	14	39,440	273	16	52	DM2YVL	3,115	70	8	27	SP6DB	17,376	102	32	64						
OZ2NU	19,392	140	25	76	F6BFH	12,321	154	13	24	DM2DXO	1,860	40	6	25	SP6AEG	13,585	74	28	37							
OZ7LF	16,368	172	16	15	Germany (FRG)					DM2DZG	1,540	29	9	19	SP2GUC	13,542	116	22	52							
OZ8E	13,823	63	7	17	DK3GI	1,200,457	1,617	80	277	DM2FEH	860	43	4	16	SP9EIJ	12,506	81	29	45							
OZ1AJL	4,968	90	11	25	DL7AV	890,590	1,032	99	271	DM5PBN	3.5	10,480	249	5	35	SP2JGY	7,408	97	16	39						
OZ7SG	3,800	52	15	38	DJ5JH	705,640	1,000	77	222	DM4SL	6,976	236	5	27	SP5DED	5,952	96	19	43							
OZ5DP	1,924	44	11	26	DJ9MH	494,172	1,008	70	189	DM3WPL	3,052	112	4	24	SP9CSU	5,346	67	19	35							
OZ7JZ	1,118	17	10	16	DK4PH	403,357	815	65	186	DM4WPF	2,976	98	5	26	SP9IHP	5,292	79	14	49							
OZ5WQ	798	17	11	8	DL7BQ	353,106	765	68	166	DM3TKL	2,178	101	4	18	SP2ADW	4,410	44	17	25							
OZ8XO	238	14	5	12	DJ0XT	316,436	599	68	171	DM2CYO	1,540	62	4	21	SP3AGE	4,185	31	18	27							
OZ1LO	209,196	818	26	82	DJ3LU	265,823	522	64	177	DM6PAF	1,308	60	5	15	SP1EVW	4,004	49	22	22							
OZ8XW	3,780	60	11	24	DJ4ZR	237,300	599	49	126	DM3VGC	1,224	53	4	20	SP3FYX	3,936	73	15	33							
OZ1BCI	2,760	54	9	21	DJ4US	221,400	521	56	149	DM3YPE	840	18	7	13	SP7ITK	1,392	51	6	23							
OZ7YL	55,514	271	24	58	DJ6BW	201,240	649	44	156	DM2FHH	817	43	3	16	SP9FEW	280	10	5	5							
OZ2E	38,192	244	20	57	DK3KD	195,228	538	61	143	DM3UFF	684	38	4	14	SP5DDJ	99	7	3	6							
OZ7HT	58,752	654	14	54	DJ2TI	181,940	455	63	157	DM2CUA	528	18	6	16	SP5GH	20	3	2	3							
OZ7BQ/4	5,922	129	6	36	DK5AD	155,736	512	48	120	DM2CJF	360	23	4	11	SP9DH	494	26	5	14							
England					DL1JF	137,922	356	50	131	DM2CDD	240	20	2	10	(QSOs via Oscar 6 and 7)	SP2FWC	7,920	77	11	37						
G3DYY	184,800	497	61	139	DJ6QL	118,424	474	40	91	DM5UNH	210	30	2	5	SP1ADM	7,654	72	14	29							
G4EHF	129,624	542	34	98	DL2HQ	101,794	332	44	110	DM2BUF	12	4	1	2	SP6BFM	5,313	67	11	22							
G3YBH	121,344	477	38	90	DL9PQ	96,280	343	44	101	SV0WTT	3.5	9,350	148	9	41	SP9BPF	5,100	51	14	25						
G3XBN	82,320	422	36	111	DL1YA	93,219	292	45	116	Hungary					SP9ADU	5,040	50	16	29							
G2AJB	66,740	303	38	104	DK5MP	85,371	332	35	108	HA5KF	88,312	347	40	93	SP6DNS	3,465	42	14	19							
G8DI	46,330	320	27	86	DF2RQ	81,648	330	44	82	HA7SQ	74,724	237	48	108	SP2ANE	3,330	38	14	23							
G3MWZ	10,990	97	21	49	DL4TJ	71,220	333	27	85	HA6ZV/P	74,266	351	38	104	SP3DOI	1,860	22	12	18							
G3ILO	13,082	118	20	42	DL8BU	67,340	309	41	99	HA5JZ	45,024	264	32	80	SP2AVE	97,416	497	24	75							
G6NK	8,512	122	15	23	DJ4AN	66,092	374	30	94	HA1ZU	41,470	267	37	79	SP2DVH	67,200	306	28	72							
G3RZI	100,674	511	27	75	DK8KC	64,325	305	31	84	HA5MD	32,422	258	28	58	SP2FAP	40,937	326	17	50							
G4CNY	67,396	360	23	60	DJ4EJ	59,272	262	38	86	HA7SU	12,415	169	13	52	SP5GOR	25,254	171	18	51							
G3DOG	6,840	59	17	28	DL1MD	56,115	211	37	92	HA5BU	12,006	175	15	43	SP8AWL	24,060	189	17	43							
G3HCT	286,552	1,081	30	89	DJ1LD	50,540	198	41	92	HA2MG	9,504	87	20	52	SP5FLA	23,584	169	16	51							
G3KDB	238,875	1,022	26	79	DL8YR	48,768	214	40	88	HA8VG	1,320	31	7	8	SP3CB	20,303	113	22	57							
G3TXF	183,872	840	26	78	DJ6OZ	41,148	210	30	78	H8KCP	174,608	778	28	84	SP3HC	17,685	234	10	35							
G3PVA	73,834	491	20	47	DJ1YH	38,304	154	27	69	HA5LZ	54,055	240	25	70	SP3JJC	16,060	195	13	42							
G3GRL	114,456	578	28	86	DL8DF	31,295	163	36	83	HA8CH	11,252	115	15	43	SP6ANY	15,051	112	18	45							
G3XKR	39,072	348	16	58	DJ2UU	30,528	169	30	64	HA5NG	38,033	405	16	57	SP8GTS	12,816	125	12	36							
G3HTA	35,360	282	18	62	DF3QN	26,544	183	17	62	HA0JL	26,605	343	13	44	SP8FNA	12,264	107	16	40							
G3TVW	31,752	298	15	57	DL8TV	22,704	162	26	60	HA3GJ	13,750	186	11	39	SP9BBH	12,195	128	12	33							
G4DBW	648	36	4	14	DL3CW	20,475	140	22	53	HA3GD	4,000	83	8	32	SP2HGG	6,678	55	16	26							
G3HZL	20,678	268	10	39	DK6CS	12,939	92	22	35	HA1YA	82,417	1,171	14	59	SP6AZT	6,493	80	11	32							
G4BBA	6,072	87	10	34	DK9NH	8,525	76	18	37	HA0KLE	72,380	723	16	67	SP8HZZ	5,772	75	11	28							
G3UBR	11,376	197	9	27	DJ4PT	3,050	59	18	32	HA3PT	9,246	186	8	38	SP9AMH	4,719	96	8	25							
G3YMC	3,575	122	5	20	DF2RG	195	11	6	9	HA5HM	5,184	144	6	30	SP9ERC	4,521	70	9	24							
Finland					DL7AA	28	1,029	30	6	15	HA9RO	2,376	136	5	19	SP6ATG	3,708	72	8	28						
OH1VR	307,582	698	62	180	DK1VN	78,676	373	25	66	HA8DC	1,955	88	5	18	SP8AWP	3,312	68	8	15							
OH8PE	105,798	485	36	118	DJ6RX	420,512	1,240	32	104	Iceland					SP9IGY	3,056	68	7	16							
OH6MM	92,316	364	37	120	DJ2BW	358,800	1,004	31	99	TF3AW	122,760	506	28	82	SP6PH	2,280	74	7	17							
OH7UE	74,947	288	43	106	DJ7RJ	92,824	432	22	60	TF3JB	43,836	450	12	40	SP7JJE	2,144	46	9	23							
OH2BME	50,924	222	37	79	DJ5PA	91,078	529	20	42	Isle of Man					SP6JLN	1,612	39	8	15							
OH7NW	35,056	192	27	85	DK1FQ	85,905	537	25	58	GD5AGA	192,975	734	36	119	SP6PAV	352	18	5	6							
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Antennas (from page 61)

single amateur band. If two assemblies are used, the antenna combination will work on two bands. Some amateurs have used as many as four top sections.

"Best operation, of course, will occur when a good ground and a good match to the transmission line are achieved. Radial ground wires for each band can be made up of insulated hookup wire. The radial is a quarter wavelength long for the band in use. In a mobile home, the antenna can be mounted on the roof and the radial wire run down the outside of the home. The far end of the radial is "hot" with r.f. and should be insulated from ground and protected so that no one can touch it. It should also be held clear of nearby metallic surfaces, such as the siding of a recreation vehicle".

"The Palomar *balun* should work just fine with one of these antenna installations", observer Pendergast.

"That's right", I replied. "Sometimes you'll be surprised what a mobile whip will do in a semi-permanent installation, especially when a radial ground wire or two is used".

Pendergast reached in his pocket and pulled out a letter. "I've been meaning to give this to you for a couple of days", he said. "It is from Guy, WA4HVL, in Georgia. Guy read the remarks of Mike, W5IOB, in the April antenna column where he compared the DX results of a low Quad Loop to a ground plane antenna. Mike concluded that in the best direction for the loop, the ground plane outperformed it on DX contacts. This was on 40 meters. The ground plane base was about 28 feet in the air and the top of the Quad loop was supported on a 70 foot tower. And Mike ended up taking the Quad loop down.

"Well, Guy was mostly interested in stateside contacts on 40 meters. So he compared his Quad loop with his vertical ground plane antenna. The top of Guy's loop was about 45 feet in the air, and the base of his ground plane was about 5 feet clear of the ground. Now, out of 36 tests that Guy ran, switching back and forth between the two antennas, 28 stateside stations preferred the Quad Loop by as much as three S-units. Four stations preferred the vertical antenna, and four stations said the antennas were equal in performance."

"Very interesting", I replied. It all hangs together. W5IOB tested the two antennas and found the ground plane best for DX. And the ground plane has considerable low angle radiation, suitable for DX. WA4HVL

tested the two antennas on stateside contacts, which are mostly high angle skip. And he found that the Quad loop, horizontally polarized, was best. This antenna, of course, provides fairly high angle radiation. So it should be better for stateside contacts".

"Yes", Pendergast agreed. "Some time ago I compared a 40 meter dipole against a 40 meter ground plane. During the day, the dipole ran rings around the ground plane on contacts within, say, 1000 miles. At night, beyond 1000 miles, the ground plane was much the better antenna."

"I had much the same experience on 80 meters when I was running a sked from San Francisco to Los Angeles", I replied. "The 80 meter ground plane was worthless on this hop, but a low dipole—about 25 feet off the ground was just perfect. The distance was about 420 miles."

I took a small pamphlet off the desk and tossed it to my friend.

"Have you ever seen this?", I asked. "It's the *National Contest Journal* sponsored by the Southern California Contest Club. It costs four dollars a year in the USA. The editor is Pete Grillo, W6RTT (Box 3762, Glendale, CA 91201).

"Well this little publication has a lot of good feedback from contest operators on operating techniques, contest news and—of course—contest antennas. The January-February issue has a short article on quick and dirty contest antennas that makes very interesting reading. For example, there's a write-up of the 40 meter "droopy beam" thrown up by W6RRT for 40 meter work. Pete had a 15 over 20 meter stack, but nothing for 40 meters. So he put plastic plugs made of PVC tubing in the ends of the beam directors and reflectors (fig. 7) and spread a 40 meter wire beam over the two regular beams. He had a crank-up tower and could reach the tips of the beams from the ground, using an extension ladder. He strung the 40 meter wires over the existing beams, making a two element 40 meter beam that drooped over the aluminum beams. The lengths of PVC tubing separated the beams. And the wire elements were held in position with 3 ounce lead weights. How does that grab you?"

"Pretty clever", remarked Pendergast. "I see he used a quarter-wave matching transformer and a balun to match the 40 meter wire beam".

"That's right", I replied. "The feed point impedance of such a contraption probably is quite low."

"I wonder how it worked?", mused Pendergast as he sketched the "droopy beam" into his notebook.

"Have you ever heard the rock-crusher of Pete's on 40 meters?", I countered.

"No", replied my friend. "And I don't want to run across him in a pile-up". He gathered up his notebook as he prepared to leave.

"By the way", he remarked. "In your July column, the drawing of the single-wire fed antenna was all screwed up. Anybody who works from that picture will be in a heap of trouble".

"I know", I replied. "I got several hot letters about it. So here's the correct drawing (I hope), maybe it will be right this time (fig 8).

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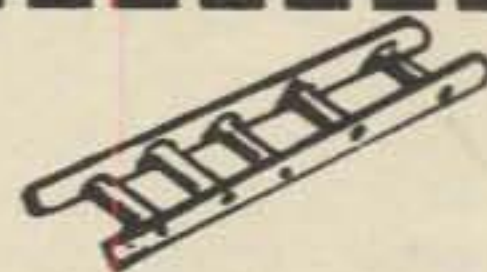
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QRP (from page 91)

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this issue! Excellent job Lou! So, for now, 73 and good QRP'ing.
 Ade, K8EEG

Awards (from page 63)

Notes

Sorry to hear, via W9ZD (ex-W9ZHD) that his friend, Ralph Duke, W9IWJ became a silent key.
 Always happy to get data and copies of Awards to use in my column. How was your month?
 73, Ed., W2GT.

Novice (from page 68)

time on the air as he would like, but he is fairly well satisfied with his record using an old Johnson Ranger transmitter running 30 to 50 watts driving a homebrew, 4-element beam,

20 feet high. But his brother Greg, WBØRTK, worked WAC and WAS and 40 countries ahead of Curt with 30 watts! . . . **Ronald Aaberg, KL7IVL**, Pedro Bay, Alaska 99647, has no TVI! Pedro Bay has a population of 20, Ron's nearest neighbor is two miles away, and no TV for over 100 miles. In his first two months on the air as a Novice, KL7IVL's HW-104 transceiver worked 10 states on the 80-meter Novice band. His antenna is an 80-foot Rohn 25-G tower on top of a 40-foot hill fed through a home-built antenna coupler. He now has the tower working as a 40-meter vertical, too. Ron is a commercial salmon fisherman in the summer and is a trapper in the winter. He is 33 years old.
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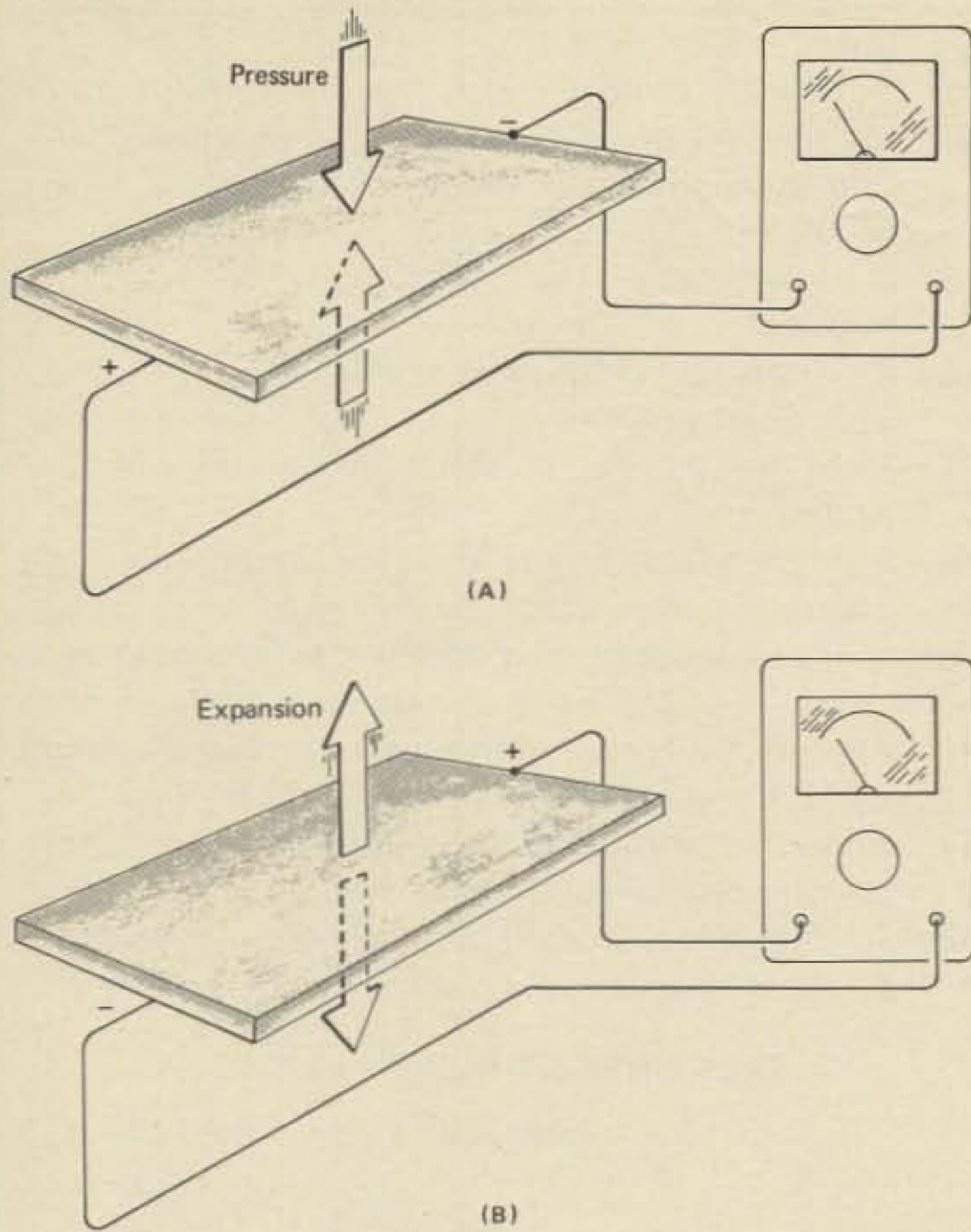


Fig. 1.16 (A)—When pressure is applied to a crystal substance a voltage is generated between opposite faces. (B) When the pressure is released and the crystal expands a second voltage is generated but of opposite polarity.

is calibrated in temperature, we have a direct reading pyrometer.

Pressure Generators—Another method of generating a difference of potential makes use of the ability of some natural materials to generate a voltage when pressure is applied. This is called the *Piezoelectric Effect*. The materials are tourmaline, Rochelle salts and quartz are all crystal structures similar to carbon or diamonds. They do, however, contain positive and negative ions whereas diamonds and carbon do not. Because they contain these ions they are capable of generating voltages whereas diamonds or carbon cannot. Only ionic crystals are Piezoelectric.

A piece of quartz crystal has the appearance of opaque or frosted glass and is as fragile. A quartz crystal (Fig. 1.16A) will generate a voltage between its opposing faces when a pressure is applied to it. When the pressure is removed and the crystal expands, a second voltage will appear but the polarity will be reversed (Fig. 1.16B).

Devices that use piezoelectric crystals are microphones, phonograph cartridges and oscillator circuits used for transmitter and receiver circuits and other amateur radio applications.

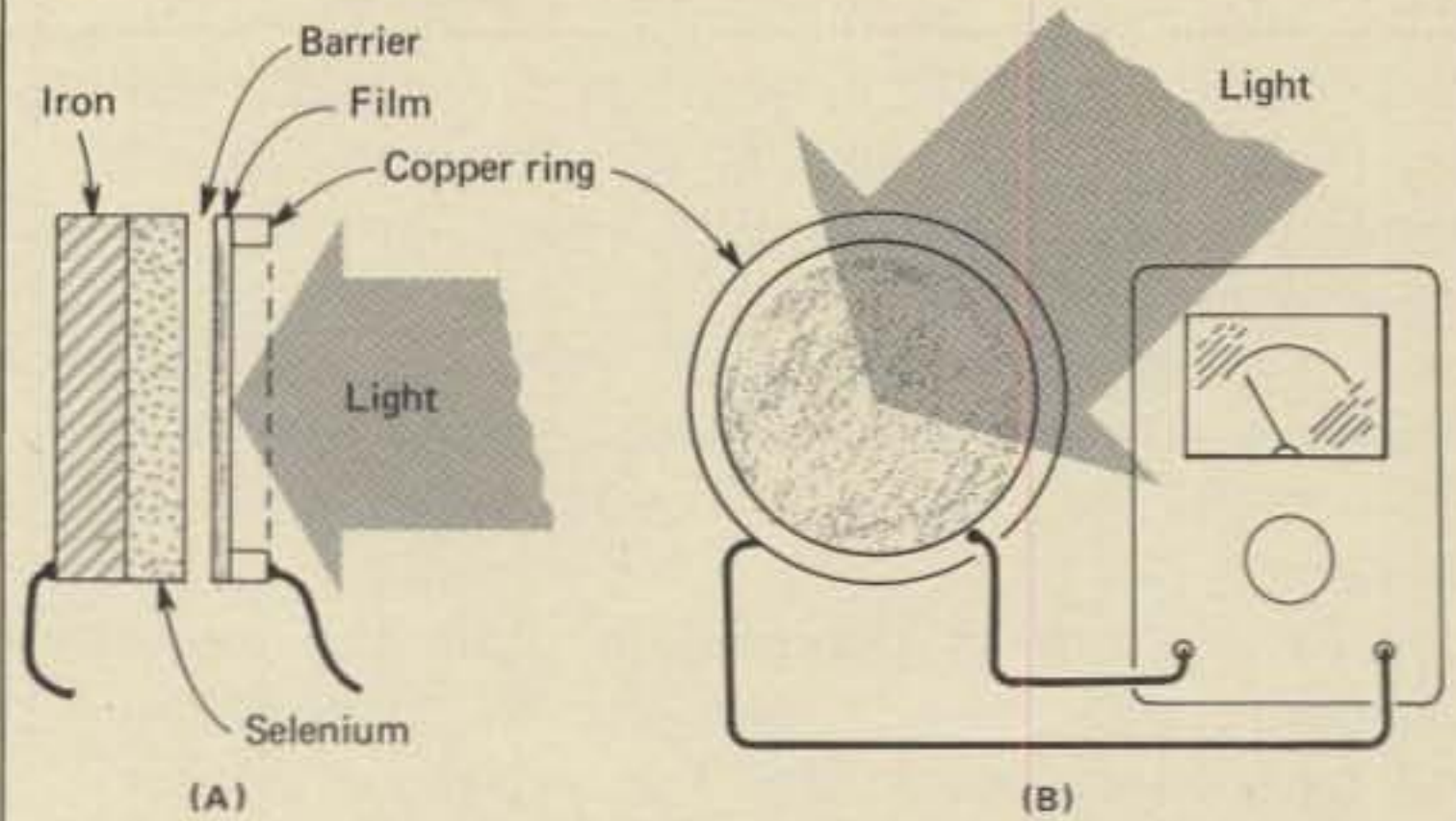


Fig. 1.17 (A)—Construction of a selenium type photoelectric cell. (B) Photoelectric cell combined with voltmeter produces a photographer's light meter.

Five different methods of producing electricity.

Light Generated Electricity—It was pointed out earlier that electrons can break free from the valence ring of an atom if they picked up enough energy. The example given earlier was energy developed by friction, but there are other forms of energy that the electrons will accept. One of these forms is light. Certain types of material will actually release electrons from the atom's valence rings when struck by light. As the electrons are freed and leave, the material assumes a positive charge and thus a difference of potential has been developed. This is known as the *Photoelectric Effect* and the device as a *Photoelectric cell*.

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The construction of a typical photoelectric cell using selenium is shown in Fig. 1.17A. There is a metal base, usually iron, on which a layer of selenium is placed. The next layer, selenium oxide, is placed over the selenium; it is a very thin layer and called a *barrier*. Next, there is a very thin layer of gold or silver, so thin in fact, that it passes light. Finally, there is a copper ring around the outer edge of the gold layer that acts as an electrical connector.

When the cell is exposed to light, the energy passes through the gold film and the oxide barrier and falls on the selenium. The selenium releases electrons in accordance with the strength of light; the more light the more electrons released. The electrons pass through the barrier and collect on the gold film. The film becomes negatively charged and the selenium positively charged because the electrons cannot pass back through the barrier.

If a voltmeter is connected to a photoelectric cell as in Fig. 1.17B, the difference of potential causes electrons to flow through the wires and produce a reading on the meter. If the meter is calibrated in light intensity, the combination of the two become a photographer's light meter. Another application for the photoelectric cell is to power electronic equipment in space satellites using solar energy. These units are called solar cells and usually are made from silicon in preference to selenium, as silicon is more efficient and develops more power.

SELF CHECK QUESTIONS #3

- 1—The more electrons piled up on the left charge and the more electrons missing from the right charge in Fig. 1.10, the greater the difference of potential. T or F
- 2—When two charged bodies are connected to-

gether with a wire, electrons from the stronger charge will flow through the wire to the weaker charge. T or F

- 3—Difference of potential is measured in the number of electrons moving between charges. T or F
- 4—The strength of an electrical charge is measured in _____.
- 5—A battery generates electricity by the _____ method.
- 6—A battery is made up of several _____ connected together.
- 7—Most commercial power in this country is generated _____.
- 8—Thermal electricity is ideal for generating large quantities of power. T or F
- 9—A thermocouple and meter combined form a _____ used to measure heat.
- 10—Any crystal type material can develop a voltage using the piezoelectric effect. T or F
- 11—Enough electricity can be developed by light to power some electronic equipment. T or F
- 12—A photoelectric cell combined with a meter forms a _____.

SELF CHECK ANSWER KEY #3

- 1—T
- 2—T
- 3—F
- 4—volts
- 5—chemical
- 6—cells
- 7—magnetically
- 8—F
- 9—pyrometer
- 10—F, only ionic crystals
- 11—T
- 12—photographer's light meter.

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