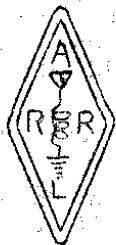


# PACK RATS' CHEESE BITS



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HELP ME, PLEASE!

How many times have we heard these words, through the years, from children and Charitable Organizations, but have you ever had it put to you personally by a bewildered, lost woman of 75?

This happened to me on Saturday, October 5th, about 5:00 P.M., just one block from the QTH.

Before relating the story we would like to print the words of a hymn which we feel applies to all concerned.

"Make me a blessing,  
Make me a blessing,  
Out of my life may Jesus shine;  
Make me a blessing,  
O Savior, I pray.  
Make me a blessing to someone today."

While on the way home from a quick trip to the store, I stopped to talk to a neighbor and upon leaving her, I saw an elderly woman on the corner beckoning to me. She said, "I've been waiting for you." My answer was, "Can I help you?"

She said she was looking for her daughter and asked me if there were a number of stores where I had just come from. It seems her daughter worked in a store that sold everything. The store, she said, was a whole block long with other stores on the street. She didn't know the name of the store or the name of the street. The store was on a busy street with a lot of traffic coming from the center of the city. We have three such shopping districts in a radius of about 3 miles. When I suggested one, and said it was too far for her to walk, she asked, "Will you come with me?" By now I sensed that she was really lost. (She spoke broken English and was hard to understand).

I told her that I would and asked her to walk to my house until I put the bag in the house. She took my hand, just like a little child, while we walked the one block. When I started up the steps she asked me where I was going, and I told her, and she said, "You'll come right back, won't you?" After assuring her that I would, I made a quick explanation to Frankie and asked him to get the car and drive her around to see if she would recognize the store. I went right out and told her what we were going to do to try and help her. She had nothing with her except a handkerchief, which she kept twisting nervously.

I took her to the car and then went in the house to put the things in the refrigerator. She wouldn't get in the car, but just stood there asking Frankie "She's coming back, isn't she?" When I came back we got into the car, and she kept clinging to my hand like a child, afraid that I would leave her.

We drove slowly through the shopping districts, and once in awhile she said she recognized a small store, but never the big store. She knew the name Broad Street, and as we neared Broad and Olney, she asked where the hospital was. This seemed to be a start in the right direction as the hospital is only one block south. We asked her which way we should go when we reached the

corner and she said to turn right. But, when we got to the shopping district, she didn't recognize the store.

She knew her name, but not where she lived, so it was impossible to take her home. So, we did the only thing we could do, took her to the Police Station.

When we got out of the car she wanted to know where I was taking her and I explained to her that the police could help her better than I could since they knew better how to help. She didn't want to go in, but I convinced her that they were going to try and help her to get home.

Now, here you can say, "Well, you did your duty, now you can go home." That was not the case. Did you ever try to walk out on a frightened, bewildered person and leave them among strangers? A small child, yes, as the police can appease them with ice-cream, candy and cookies, but not with a child-like adult.

She kept pulling me and saying she wanted to go, she could find her way and I had to keep assuring her that everything would be alright.

Lt. Mulligan, of the 35th Police District, spent over one hour trying to get information from her and learned that she was susceptible to suggestion. If he mentioned a name of a church, that was the one she attended, but she did not know the name of the Priest. If he suggested a way of spelling her name, she agreed. When he found a name similar to hers in the phone book and asked if that was her son's home, she agreed. He called that number, probably scared the wits out of them, but they never heard of her. When he asked her to write her name, all she did was scribble. At one point he asked me not to hold her, and I said, "Look, I'm not holding her, she is holding me."

We finally learned that she spoke Italian. By luck, there was an Italian speaking officer on duty at the station house. So Lt. Mulligan got Officer Del Rossi to speak to her. Ah, we thought, our problem is solved. Officer Del Rossi will be able to get the information we need. As it turned out, as is often the case, each country has a different dialect for different sections and he did not know enough of hers to get the information. But, his father came from that section of Italy. He asked permission to call his father and let him speak to her. This was done, and in a three-way conversation, with Officer Del Rossi telling his father what to ask her, we got the name of a church in South Phila., about 6 miles from where I found her. But that was all the information we could get.

This was the first time that she was at ease, she found someone she could talk to in her native tongue. She kept asking for officer Del Rossi after he went off duty.

Finally Lt. Mulligan resorted to the only possible avenue open to him, after asking Detective McPeak to speak to her, that of placing her in a police car and driving through the district to see if she recognized any place. If that didn't work, he would have to turn her over to investigation. The duty of driving her through the district fell to Officers Ullman and Schmid. I had a hard time to keep her there until they arrived. When we got to the police car, I told her to ride with them and tell them if she recognized her home. This was at 6:30 P.M.

Why did I spend that time with a perfect stranger to me? Because I wanted to. I know that I would want someone to help my mother, and Frankie's, God forbid, should the occasion arise.

How did I get the names of the Officers involved? They wear pins with their names on them. Not only did it save time, but also saved them the irritation of being asked while they were busy doing their job. The detectives do not wear them and he was the only one I had to ask, and I only asked him because he looked familiar. Perhaps that is why the lady asked me for help; I looked familiar to her!

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Now you're going to ask, "What does this have to do with ham radio?" Do the dates October 5th & 6th ring a bell? ARRL Simulated Emergency Test? This was not a simulated emergency, this was for real, and although not handled by radio, it was handled by a ham who knew what to do because of his association with ARPSC, AREC and the American Red Cross.

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Perhaps you are wondering why this story is on the front page instead of our usual drawings depicting the holidays for the month. This story, we feel, points out the meaning of "Thanksgiving Day." Being human we usually thank God for our food, our way of life and our well being, but how many thank Him for our policemen? It's true, if everyone lived by the Ten Commandments, the police departments would not be necessary, but this is not so. True, the police departments have been the butt of abuse throughout the years. Some children have been taught that policemen are a source of punishment not a

friend in need as I was taught, and I taught my son; "Never be afraid to ask a policeman for help".

Policemen are human beings, just like you and I, and they don't like being called to arrest anyone. They would rather spend their time helping people.

It is true that some policemen are not up to par, but isn't that true of all societies? So, why condemn one group when all others are the same?

When you give "Thanks" on Thanksgiving Day, give "Thanks" for your police department.

As a follow-up on the case I called Lt. Mulligan to see how it turned out. It seems that she lived only around the corner from us on Olney Avenue, but we had taken her past the house, and so did Officers Ullman and Schmid and she didn't recognize it. Her son-in-law called the police station seeking her.

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PURPOSE: As part of United Nations  
Week, the Amateur Radio Op-  
erators of Phila. will be  
part of the week events.  
Their Exhibit in Gibbels will  
be live demonstration whereby  
the members of the Club will  
be on duty throughout the  
week and set-up contacts with  
Amateur Radio Operators  
throughout the world. The  
public will be able to listen  
to the conversation between  
nations.

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(EX-OFFICIO)

SET-UP: The Delaware Valley Council  
of Radio Operators, through  
its director, W3AYG, John  
Harris, will set-up the equip-  
ment which includes two an-  
tennas to be placed on the  
roof of the Market Street  
Building and cable lines from  
the roof to the exhibit area,  
Center doors Market Street  
floor

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day of each month. 8:00 P.M.

GENERAL: Third Wednesday  
of each month. 8:00 P.M.

MEETING PLACE: WEST OAK LANE JEWISH  
COMMUNITY CENTER, SEDGWICK  
& THURON STS., MT. AIRY,  
PHILA., PA.

The antennas and cable will  
be installed on Friday after-  
noon, October 18. Cables  
courtesy of Kass Electronics.

The radio and transmitter  
sets will be installed on  
Saturday, October 19.  
National Equipment courtesy  
W2BAY, Ed Braddock

## EDITOR'S CORNER

### INCENTIVE LICENSING RUMORS

We have been hearing, and reading, so much about the ARRL Incentive Licensing Plan, both for and against, mostly against.

The latest that we have heard is in regard to one of the latest ARRL Bulletins. Unfortunately we are unable to quote it as, through some mix-up, we no longer receive them for transmission or re-print.

This rumor says, in effect, that the ARRL is after the abolishment of the Technician and Conditional Class license.

Now we ask: How many of you have actually read the ARRL Program for Incentive Licensing?

How many holders of Technician Class licenses do you know who are not Technicians, but "Commercial Hams", i.e.; Commercially built equipment where if anything goes wrong they must return it to the manufacturer because they are unable to fix it themselves?

How many holders of Conditional Class licenses do you know who received them because of Military Service were unable to get to the FCC for the regular exam, and keep renewing them rather than taking the exam now that they are out of the service, or within distance of a local FCC examination office?

We present a summary of the ARRL Program which is printed on the last page of "Remarks by Herbert Hoover, Jr., President, American Radio Relay League, Atlantic Division Convention, Washington, D.C., September 1, 1963". and we will let you decide for yourself whether or not they are out to abolish or improve them.

### THE ARRL PROGRAM

- for more efficient use of amateur frequencies
- for increased amateur technical proficiency
- for more effective performance in the public interest, convenience and necessity.

1. A complete review and revision of the present written examinations for various classes of amateur license to conform more closely with modern techniques.

2. Reinstatement of an advanced grade of license, with appropriate frequency privileges, to provide an incentive for improved technical knowledge.

3. An expanded educational program in operating and technical fields through:

- a. QST and other League publications.
- b. Encouragement to affiliated clubs in planning worthwhile programs for regular meetings.
- c. Enlargement of the club Training Aids project administered by Hq.

(Now that doesn't sound like abolishment of the Technician Class license, but more like a way in which to help them become better technicians and a manner in which to up-grade themselves and receive larger frequency privileges. Let's put it this way. In school, business or the Military, you do not receive promotions with more privileges if you are content to just slide along in the same old rut.)

4. A more effective Official Observer system

5. Combining the Amateur Radio Emergency Corps and the National Traffic System to constitute an Amateur Radio Public Service Corps for maximum effectiveness in the public interest.

6. Limiting the term of Conditional Class licenses and making them non-renewable except in cases of genuine hardship (i.e., the handicapped).

(Now that doesn't sound like abolishment of the Conditional Class license, but more like a way to prevent the renewal when the condition, 'i.e., temporary distance, Military Service' no longer exists.)

7. An educational program in QST to better acquaint members with the League's history, accomplishments and goals.

8. Strict observance of the following operating principles:

- a. To make proper choice of bands below 30 Mc. appropriate to the distance covered.
- b. To achieve equipment flexibility so that an adequate choice of frequency bands and powers may be available.
- c. To use minimum bandwidth, consistent with good engineering practice and compatible with the mode of transmission being employed.

d. To expand the use of v.h.f. for local contacts whenever possible, with the ultimate aim of conducting all short-distance communication in this portion of the spectrum.

e. To use the minimum power necessary for each communication.

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We quote the following Bulletin from ARRL Headquarters, from the Reading Radio Club Bulletin, Reading, Pa. W3WJC, Richard Ahrens, Editor.

OFFICIAL BULLETIN NR 915 FROM ARRL HEADQUARTERS, NEWINGTON, CONN. SEPT. 19, 1963

TO ALL RADIO AMATEURS BT

Effective November 1st, FCC has changed its procedure for the handling of examinations supervised by volunteers. The examination papers will be requested only from FCC's office in Gettysburg, Pa., by either the examiner or the applicant, but the full name and permanent addresses of each must be shown. The papers will only be mailed to the volunteer examiner who must, after Nov. 1st, be over 21, and who must be a current holder of an Extra, Advanced or General class license, or commercial radiotelegraph license. If the applicant seeks a Conditional class license, the request for papers must show the reason he is eligible for that class; distance, handicap, Military Service or residence overseas. The text of the FCC order will appear in November QST.

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FCC LICENSE FEES

Docket No, 14507 )  
In the matter of )  
Establishment of fees for )  
the Commission's licensing )  
and regulatory activities. )

1. The Commission has before it seventeen Petitions for Reconsideration of its Report and Order in Docket No. 14507 which amended Part 1 of the rules, effective January 1, 1964, so as to establish a schedule of fees for applications filed with this Commission.

Petitions for Reconsideration were received from.....American Radio Relay League (ARRL).....and Woodrow C. De Byle, K8RFA.

(We quote paragraph 6, sections 12, 13, 14 and 15)

12. The ARRL argues that the fee requirement will thwart its recently initiated efforts to upgrade the Amateur Service by establishing a new Amateur Advanced class. This general argument was considered by the Commission in establishing the special fee schedule for Amateurs. Furthermore, we are not persuaded that charging a nominal fee will prevent an earnest amateur from obtaining a higher class of license.

13. In response to a question raised by the ARRL with respect to when the \$2 fee and the \$4 fee will be charged, we wish to point out that the \$2 fee will be charged when an application is filed for modification of an Amateur license other than a Novice Class license, e.g., a change of address or name, etc.; however, an application filed by an Amateur licensee for a higher or different class license will be treated as an initial license application and a \$4 fee will be charged.

14. The ARRL also argues that the \$20 fee for applications for special Amateur call signs is excessive and consequently will impede the establishment by the ARRL of an effective incentive program. As we stated in our Report and Order, the assignment of special Amateur call signs is a costly service since it involves considerable research. Moreover, a special call is of no direct benefit to anyone other than the operator to whom it is issued. Several other arguments included in the ARRL's petition were considered by the Commission, directly and indirectly, in the Report and Order and need not be treated further herein.

15. The Commission, on its own motion, has provided an exemption for applications for amateur station under military auspices. The cost for establishing such stations, including the payment of the fee, is borne by the armed service involved. Thus, charging a fee in this case would be inappropriate.

(We quote paragraph 7, section 23)

23. In view of the foregoing, IT IS ORDERED, that the Petitions for Reconsideration filed by the.....ARRL .....and Woodrow C. DeByle are hereby DENIED.

(We quote Rule 1.601 from the APPENDIX)

Rule 1.601 Payment of fees

(a) Each application, filed on or after January 1, 1964, for which a fee is prescribed in this part must be accompanied by a remittance in the full amount of the fee. In no case will an application be accepted for filing or processed prior to payment of the full amount specified. Applications for which no remittance is received, or for which an insufficient amount is received, may be returned to the applicant.

(b) FCC payments accompanying applications received in the Commission's Offices, should be in the form of a check or money order payable to the Federal Communications Commission. The Commission will not be responsible for cash sent through the mail. All fees collected will be paid into the United States Treasury as miscellaneous receipts in accordance with the provisions of Title V of the Independent Offices Appropriation Act of 1952 (5 U.S.C 140)

(c) Receipts will be furnished upon request in the case of payments made in person, but no receipt will be issued for payments sent through the mails.

(Here a question may be raised as to why no receipt for payments by mail. None is necessary, for the issuance or re-issue of your license is receipt for payment. Without payment; no license!)

(d) All fees will be charged irrespective of the Commission's disposition of the application. Applications returned to applicants for additional information or corrections will not require an additional fee when resubmitted. Refunds will be made only in the case of payments in excess of the fee prescribed in this supart.

SCHEDULE OF FEES

Applications in the Amateur Radio Service.

- For Initial & Renewed Licenses \$4
- For Modification of license \$2
- For Special Call Sign \$20 pursuant to rule 12.81

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Well, that's it boys, but remember there is NO charge for Novice or RACES licenses.

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Here is the Bulletin that raised the rumor of the ARRL's abolishment of the Technician and Conditional class license. Just received it in the mail from W2EIF, Jo Kilgore.

Read it, and re-read it, then figure how anyone could come to that conclusion.

We have come to the conclusion that a great number of people have the bad habit of putting into a message what they want instead of reading a message for what it says.

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OFFICIAL BULLETIN NR 917 FROM ARRL HQ. NEWINGTON, CONN. OCT. 3, 1963

TO ALL RADIO AMATEURS BT

ARRL today filed with FCC a request for immediate reinstatement of availability of the Advanced Class license to new applicants holding General or Conditional Class licenses for one year or more. The League also proposed that voice emission on certain high frequency bands be reserved to holders

of Advanced and Amateur Extra Class licenses on the following schedule. Effective July 1, 1965, 20 meters. Effective July 1, 1966, 15 and 40 meters. Effective July 1, 1967, 75 meters. Complete details will appear in November QST.

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ELECTION OF DIRECTOR & VICE-DIRECTOR FOR ARRL ATLANTIC DIVISION

The "Pitch" for election has been presented for Director and Vice-Director of the Atlantic Division.

The ballots have been sent out by the ARRL to all eligible voters. You have until November 20 to cast your vote. You have a choice of three for Director;

- W3YA, Gil Crossley, Current Director
- W3ZRQ, Al Broiner, Current Assistant Director & SCM for E. Pa.
- W3HFY, Hal Grace (See the flyer)

You also have a choice of two for Vice-Director;

- W3ECP, E. S. Van Deusen, Current Vice-Director
- W2PPS, Fred Kaffer (See the Flyer)

Now comes the question; "Will you VOTE?"

If you will, congratulations, we hope the party you vote for is elected. If not, we know that you will abide by the majority rule.

If you do not vote, and the party elected is not of your choosing, then we say, "Keep your mouth shut. You did when you had the opportunity to open it."

EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE, DON'T THROW IT AWAY!

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ALLIED RADIO CORP. TO SPONSOR HAM OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Amateur Radio Editors Association (AREA) has been selected as an advisory group for a proposed national amateur radio award by Allied Radio Corp., Chicago, Illinois.

The program will be under the direction of Mr. Irwin K. Tevin of the Public Relations Board, Inc., Chicago, Illinois.

The AREA Committee consists of: W3ZXV, Eugene Pressler, Editor of North Penn ARC "Static" 2105 Weber Lane, Norristown, Pa.

K4URX, Stephan E. McCallum, Public Relations, General Electric Co, 2910 Eastern Parkway, Owensboro, Kentucky

W6VTL (Ex-W1SAD) William G. Walsh, Sr. Editor of "LARC", Lockheed Employees ARC, 1962 winner of Edison Award 2300 W. Clark Avenue, Burbank, California.

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## THE SYRACUSE VHF ROUND-UP

By W3CL, Harry Stein

We left Friday afternoon, the 11th, from Feasterville, Pa. in the White "Green-brier" Bus (Campaign Headquarters); with K3HWZ, Grandpa Bill, doing the driving; K2LBT, Al, W3HFY, Hal, candidate for the Directorship of the Atlantic Division and myself enjoying the chit-chat and the passing landscapes. We proceeded on the Penna. Turnpike and then the Northern Extension through scenic Penna. coal country continuing onto US Route 81 into New York State. One could observe why VHF isn't going great guns in this part of the country with the cities cupped in the shell-like valleys.

We didn't hear or work a soul on six until we hit Binghamton and from there on in we had company all the way working WA2GVJ; WA2FRT/ and WA2SCN, later, in a three-way. We picked-up our old friend K2ATA, Phil, mobile and W82DWX in a three-way - lost him in the Syracuse city noise - picked him up again and we were joined by K2ZQJ, Tony (originally from Latrobe, Pa.) for another three-way, and so-on to the Three Rivers Inn about 10 miles out of town. Other stations worked were W2YRL, WA2PDS/M and K2PUI. On the way home we worked W3WDL/M operating from the Reading airport and when we were near the Valley Forge area we broke-in on W3MXW and W2AXU.

Now back to Three Rivers-- we had just registered and were exchanging pleasantries with K2ATA, in person, when John and Anne Houser (W3JSD) let out a whoop as they spotted us--this was about 9:30 P.M. We then proceeded to the lounge where the initial Round-up was already underway. Sam Harris, W1FZJ, his crew, and his XYL; Helen, W1HDY were among the first people we spotted. George Sallwood, W2RHQ, the spark-plug of the Round-Up, made himself known; bought a drink and then disagreed with everything and anything our candidate or anybody else, for that matter, said or stood for--Hi.

Little clusters of VE3's, 1's, 2's (from E. and W. NY, NYC, NJ, NJ) and 3's were all talking at the same time. Later in the evening, Al, W2IYR, showed and we had a round table discussion - this time George Sallwood started to make sense or maybe he couldn't hear Hal over the shrill sounds of a folk singer, Hi.

The next morning we got an early start and set up the white campaign wagon. The sign advertising our candidates looked good rigged across the tip of the wagon. The registration was under full blast and everyone had to pass our wagon for a handshake and a circular - we met many a good VHFer that way including Doc Kaffer, W2PPS. Doc is a real gentleman and compliments our Hal as a fine running mate. We also met the officers of the Syracuse club...President, Mel; WA2DVI, Vice-President, Joe, WA2ADG, Secretary, Chuck, K2TXX, Treasurer, Zip, K2BYU and of course our friend Al, W2IYR, the activities manager. It is noted that the Club has about thirty members with a five man committee doing the lions share of the work under the dynamic leadership of George, W2RHQ.

Later in the day we greeted the rest of the Pack Rat crew--W3KKN, Ernie and XYL, Bert, W3TNP; John, K3IUZ and XYL, Phyllis, K3NBS; and dapper Stan, K3IPM. A few others from our area were Ray, W3TDF; Al, K3CZI; George, W2REB and XYL, Eleanore; Gil, W3YA and XYL; Bob, W3QTC and last but not least, George, W3FEY who is a member of the campaign committee.

Strip tickets were sold for a tremendous surplus equipment "kitty" which was raffled off later in the afternoon before dinner. A separate room was set apart from the main festivities, housed the display of new items by Clegg, Amplidyne Labs, Hammerlund, etc. Door prizes for the hams and ladies were on view all day.

The program got under way about 1:00 P.M. with a little welcoming speech by Al W2IYR, who later turned out to be a real smooth MC. He introduced the first speaker, Sam Harri, W1FZJ, who talked about a new noise blanker which will be described in a future issue of QST. It poses to possibly be the answer to the writer's SPS noise problem. He was followed by K1DQR who showed color slides of the Mt. Grelock operation during the June QSO Party. W1FRR/1 operating from that site was the high scoring multi-op station.

The next talk was on "Pulse Techniques for Amateur Microwave", presented by John Zimmer, W2BVU and Bob Guba, W1QMN. They work in the engineering department of the Raytheon Co.

A discussion on "Non Man Made Radio Signals In Space" was made by Dr. Harold Ewen, a world wide authority on Radio Astronomy and president of the Ewen Knight Corp.

The technical sessions were topped off by the Aurora Code copying contest. While all these sessions were in progress, the ladies had a program going of their own in a separate room, it was as follows:

Christmas Decorating and Lighting Ideas by Miss Sylvia Girmus of the Niagara Mohawk Power Corp.

"Women In Amateur Radio" was the topic presented by Helen Harris, W1Hoy, Assistant VHF Editor, QST.

Mr. Dan Owen created quite a stir with "Headhunters In The Amazon".

A cocktail hour was followed by a "stick-to-the-ribs" roast beef dinner at 6:30 P.M. served to about 900 guests. The room reputedly will seat 1700 people. Al, W3OYR, the able MC, greeted the large group and called on W3YA, our present Atlantic Division Director. Gil spoke briefly on the Reciprocal Licensing Agreement, which has a good chance of passing and noted that he was a candidate for the coming election for the Directorship. He was followed by W3HFY, Hal, who made the following speech:

"As a candidate for Director of the Atlantic Division, I have a few brief remarks for those of you who are members of this important ARRL Division.

First, better two-way communication is needed between you and your Atlantic Division Director. I would establish a more effective system of active assistant directors associated with each major affiliated club within the Division, this to facilitate a real two-way flow of information and views between you, as individuals or club groups, and your elected director.

With regard to incentive licensing, sound arguments appear to exist for some extension of our present incentive licensing system, but not for restrictive licensing. Any extension of incentive licensing should come about without denying privileges which they now enjoy on any phone or CW band. Also, any extension of specific proposals for implementation well in advance of their final formulation and submission to the FCC by the League. Being informed of the league's specific proposals on this matter only after their filing with the FCC, as has just occurred, certainly does not inspire confidence that the present Board of Directors has any concern for the views of its members. It is interesting to note that in the yearly reports of each of the 16 Division Directors, as contained in the League's past annual report, incentive licensing is mentioned or discussed by only 3 of the 16 Directors. The report of our own Director is among the majority which completely ignore the issue.

With regard to the crowded operating conditions on our lower frequency bands, I do not believe that either incentive licensing or restrictive licensing, as now proposed by the League. Alleviation of this problem will come only from more thoughtful and considerate use of the proper frequency and power for the communication task at hand. The passing of a technical examination will not change the attitude or operating habits of an individual. Only continual education, guidance, and pressure from his fellow hams will accomplish this."

Doc Kaffer, W2PPS, the candidate for Vice-Director, concurred with Hal and said he was glad to be his running mate.

It was then time for the presentation of the June QSO Party Awards :

Multiple Operators -

National - King Phillip Amateur Radio Society-W1FRR/1  
Western N.Y. - East Coast VHF Society-WA2WEB/2  
Eastern N.Y. - Dutchess County VHF Society

Single operators:

National - K3IPM our own Stan. He reminded the audience to work Pack Rats come January.  
Western N.Y. - K2ERQ

The prize drawing followed with the lucky ones at our table winning a towel set by Anne Houser, an AR-22 Rotator by K3IPM, a 7 amp. Variac by K3LBT and a measurement kit by K3HWZ.

A floor show, featuring the "Crew Cuts" and starring George DeWitt with a supporting cast topped off the evening.

The 9th Annual VHF Round-Up was over and I say, it was a real success because I am going back next year and urge you to do the same. The Syracuse gang are to be congratulated on a real fine job.

73,  
W3GL, Harry Stein

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V O T E



UNMASKED

For Director Atlantic Division ARRL  
Harold P. Grace W3HFY

For Vice Director Atlantic Division ARRL  
Fred C. Kaffer W2PPS



HAL W3HFY

TO ALL FELLOW HAMS:

Your Campaign Committee wishes to express appreciation for your consideration in connection with the coming election of Harold P. Grace W3HFY and Fred C. Kaffer W2PPS for Director and Vice Director, Atlantic Division, ARRL. There are a few well chosen thoughts which we feel should be given consideration with respect to these candidates.

First of all, there is absolutely no conflict of interest, commercial or military, with either of these gentlemen. Both Hal and Doc have many, many years of amateur activity to their credit. This experience, of course, is invaluable particularly when as your representatives they can speak from personal knowledge of the various modes and techniques which have been in use throughout the years. They are both non-sectional in their feelings with respect to present and future ham activities.

The Atlantic Division, representing as it does such a large number of active amateurs in the U.S., naturally falls into a position of leadership and is looked upon by the other divisions with their members as one most capable of voicing the true feelings at headquarters. It is for this reason that it becomes imperative that the Atlantic Division have as Director and Vice Director men of the calibre required for this vital work. W3HFY Hal and W2PPS Doc meet all the requirements for complete representation on all bands in all modes.

The survival of future ham activities demands that your voice be interpreted with firmness and foresight. This can and will be done by Hal and Doc, provided you register your vote. This all important issue covering as it does the Atlantic Division from the capitol to the lakes, from the ocean to the mountains, needs your vote. Please remember No Vote means No Voice. Let us lead and not lag in the fight for betterment of ham radio. Let us preserve what we have and strive for greater achievement in the future. Your vote will help to make this possible.



DCC W2PPS

Your Campaign Committee  
W3CL, Chairman

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The complete details of the award will be announced in the near future by Allied Radio Corp.

73,  
W3ELI, George Van Dyke  
EC

When the full details are available we will print them in "Cheese Bits"

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE OCTOBER 2 MEETING

PHILA. COUNTY ARPS

PHILA. COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO PUBLIC SERVICE CORPS (ARPS)

(Formerly AREC and NTS)

Report on results of October 1963 SET.

For our first try at an SET I think we did a real good job and my sincere thanks to all those who participated. We did not try to bite off too big a bite for the first time, rather we tried to set up some random times for alerting our nets and see if they were dependable. They were!!

K3ESL gave report of 6 meter net. With so many stations checking in the net may well exceed the one hour limit. Delaware County and Montgomery County also are regular check-ins.

W3ELI says that more stations are needed on the 10 meter net. W3AHZ, Montgomery County EC checks in regularly to establish liaison.

As requested by ARRL we combined our activities with the NTS and had each station that would take the time prepare a message in ARRL form for our SEC. These were taken to the lower frequency NTS and handled very well. It brought to light, however, how much we need training in the preparation and handling of traffic. This we will discuss at our regular meeting and get something going.

A reply was received from the Boy Scouts of America, regarding communications for the National Jamboree to be held at Valley Forge in 1964. They will keep us informed of what is needed.

Plans for Oct SET were laid and a schedule of times was given to each member present. A very fine news release was published in the Evening Bulletin as a result of the Publicity Chairman.

All three of our net frequencies were activated; 145.2, 50.2 and 29.36 Mc. All traffic was taken to the PFN on 3850 Kc. The Red Cross Disaster Director for the SE Pa Chapter was contacted and he gave us a message for headquarters in Alexandria, Va. We also sent a message to a Red Cross representative in an adjoining county. A reply was handled within a few hours.

The meeting closed with a Birthday Party for Miss Florence Fulton, of the S.E. Pa. Chapter, American Red Cross, who was 73 years young. She signed up five new members with the Red Cross.  
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On Tuesday, October 15 an instruction meeting was held at Red Cross Headquarters.

A real emergency developed for W3SAO (See lead story) Another near emergency was handled when W3ELI witnessed a truck go over a temporary water line and break the pipe fittings. A fast report to the police brought the Phila. water repair crew to the scene to prevent many homes from being without water.

While this meeting was in process, Mother Rat received a phone call from Mr. Louis Stone, Public Relations man for Rand McNally, asking if it would be possible to set up communications between the warehouses and distribution centers for Polio Vaccine. The next distribution is Sunday, October 27.

During our net times we had contact with Montgomery County and Delaware County and with Burlington County in New Jersey. Mobiles were available at all times for dispatch to any spot in the county. (also Camden and Chester)

He explained that at the last mass distribution, it took them an hour and a half to get the vaccine through the regular communications channels.

Mother Rat naturally told him to contact W3ELI the EC.

(See boys, your services are being requested.)

The following is a breakdown of our scoring;

Members as of SET time	103	x	1=	103
Members active, SET nets	57	x	2=	114
No. of Mobiles	20	x	5=	100
No. fixed Emer. power	0	x	5=	0
Msgs to agencies	1	x	5=	5
Msgs sent to SEC	44	x	1=	44
EC msg to Hq.	1	x	1=	1
Contact with agencies	2	x	5=	10
Press releases	2			10
Local plan	1			10
Total contribution to Nt'l				397

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(Aside to W3DUI, E. Pa. SEC: Did I keep my promise that I made last year about reporting activity when we had it?)

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DON'T FORGET THE OPEN HOUSE AT HAM

BUERGER's, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26.

Ham is now a distributor for COMAIRE ELECTONICS, of Ellsworth, Mich. Most of the members are receiving their paper "VHFER" for at their request, I sent them the membership list. As you can see, they deal mostly with VHF Equipment.

Any ideas and comments from you will be appreciated so that we can do a better job next year.

NEW PRODUCTS OF INTEREST TO HAMS

By W3NSI, Lynford Rowland, Jr.

1. Convertible Grounding Plug

This is really the answer for tools and receiver/transmitter units that may be used in homes having older receptacles, but which may be taken to an area where the new safety receptacles are installed. The grounding blade is locked firmly in place until intentionally deflected by pressing the blade-latch button. The grounding blade then swings away on a pivot.

Priced at \$1.00  
Deflex Corp.  
Box 544,  
Englewood, N.J.

2. Miniature Rotary Switches

Alco Electronics has just introduced a new line of switches for use in tight places. They are all single deck - not shorting types and come complete with knobs. Available with up to 10 pos. in 1 pole model. Two, three & four pole models also stocked with 5, 3 & 2 pos. in that order.

Price \$3.85  
Alco Electronics Products, Inc.  
Lawrence, 51, Mass.

3. Toroid Retainers

I must say these are far better than using a lot of misco. washers when mounting Toroids on RTTY converters or in mobile power supply units. Retainers are made of molded phenolic and are attached with nylon screws so that no metal inserts are within the toroid area. Available in 5 sizes.

Average cost \$.25 each  
Modular Electronics  
637 South 1515 Ave.,  
Inglewood, California.

(Ed note: Before ordering any of the above products from the manufacturer, check with your local distributor.)

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WHAT HAPPENS

W3CPT, Ken, is in Japan for the Government. Don't know for how long, but Sophie is alone again.

W3FSC, Ozzie, is off for California on business, but Sylvia went along with him. He will be gone for about one month.

K3KLM/5, George and his XYL, @May are the proud parents of a boy, born on September 28, weighing in at 8 lbs. George, Jr. Congratulations.

Received a phone call from George on Sunday, Oct. 13 and everything is OK. He just gets lonesome for his buddies up here.

Same night, received a phone call from W3LHF, Dave. He and Jane are busy redecorating the house after their

stay in Troy New York for over a year.

Wondering if W3IHT, Doc and June are off on a cruise. Haven't heard from him lately.

LCDR R. E Mickley is the new Chief of Navy Mars as of October 7, 1963, replacing LCDR C. R Winnetto. We wish LCDR Winnetto success in his new location. We also wish LCDR Mickley success in his new position as Chief of Navy MARS.

Hey Bill, W3OZP, did you meet the people at the wedding that I was talking to at the picnic?

Wonder how W3BVR, Ted, is coming along. Haven't heard anything since we heard that he was back in the hospital.

Still haven't heard anything from "Pack Mouse" Sheri. Hope everything is OK at her QTH.

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We learned from W3QCV, Wynn L. LePage that the Franklin Institute is looking for an operator of their Amateur Station after December 31. Any interested party should contact the Franklin Institute, 28th and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Phila. This station is equip with Collins Equipment, donated by Collins Radio Co.

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STOLEN EQUIPMENT

STOLEN FROM 1957 PLYMOUTH STATION WABQW:

At 12:30 A.M., October 13, 1963, a Heathkit Sixer was stolen by someone over six feet tall from the auto of K2IQN/3 when it was parked on Irving Street near 39th. Also missing is a DM-23 dynamotor and Turner Mike.

Any information should be given to the police detective division at 55th and Pine Streets, or the owner, Harry F. Hochman, 2715 Cranston Road, Phila. Phone; TR. 8-5592.

Fifteen dollar reward for information leading to conviction.

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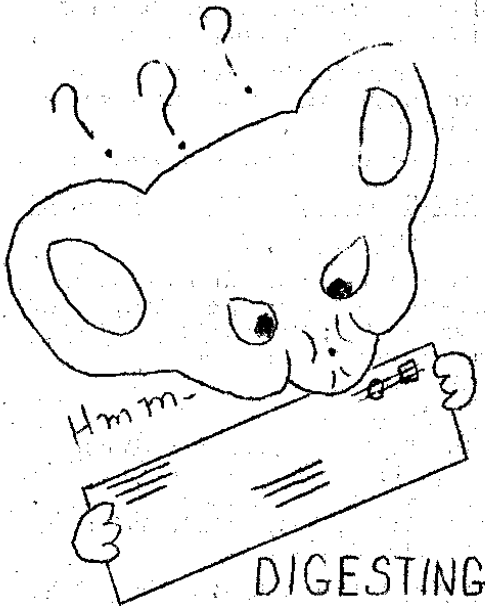
"SWAP & SHOPPE"

Conducted by W3ZRR, Raymond Whitehead  
4534 Smedley Street,  
Phila., Pa. 19140  
215- OA. 4- 5910

(Ed. note: These are the only ones that will be printed as I received them before the 15th. There will be no Late Swap Shoppe articles.)

FOR SALE: Rotary Converter  
120 V DC input 12 A  
110 V AC output 10 A  
60 cycles  
Like new \$60.00

CONTACT: K3KVK, Francis Hillibush  
R.D. #1,  
Ringtown, Pa. 17976



**DIGESTING THE MAIL**

The PENN-JERSEY VHF AUCTION!! SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10th  
 Held at the Disabled American Veterans Hall, 911 Arena Drive, Trenton, N.J.

Sale begins at 1 P.M.  
 Talk In Stations;  
 6 meters, 50.290  
 2 meters, 145.32

Nothing to sell? Come anyway and meet the Gang!

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PHIL-MONT MOBILE RADIO CLUB DINNER & DANCE, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1963  
 LLANARCH COUNTRY CLUB.

FOR RESERVATIONS, TIME & PRICE, CONTACT  
 W3WPD, Alexander Lewis  
 144 Earlington Road,  
 Havertown, Pa. 19083  
 or  
 W3QQH, Clinton Spencer, Jr.  
 124 Central Avenue,  
 North Hills, Pa.

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FROM AREA NEWS RELEASE FOR NOVEMBER,  
ALLIED RADIO WITHDRAWS ITS SPONSORSHIP OF AMATEUR RADIO AWARD.  
 (Quote from their letter)

I am sorry to report that Allied Radio, after careful consideration, has decided not to create an amateur radio award.

It is Allied's feeling, after long study, that such an award can be a more meaningful and effective instrument if it comes from a collective effort by the industry or by groups within the industry, rather than as the effort of one company.....

Sincerely,  
 Irwin K. Teven

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PACK RATS LADIES' NIGHT, SATURDAY, APRIL, 11, 1964. KEEP IT IN MIND!

MEETING NOTICES

NOVEMBER 6 PHILA. CO. ARPSC (AREC)

The meeting of the Phila. County ARPSC will be held on Wednesday, November 6, at 8:00 P.M. at the Gilbert Spruance School, Levick & Horrocks Sts.

NOVEMBER 13 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 13, at the QTH of W3ZRR, Ray Whitehead, 4534 N. Smedley St., at 8:00 P.M.

If for any reason you are unable to attend please call DA. 4-5910.

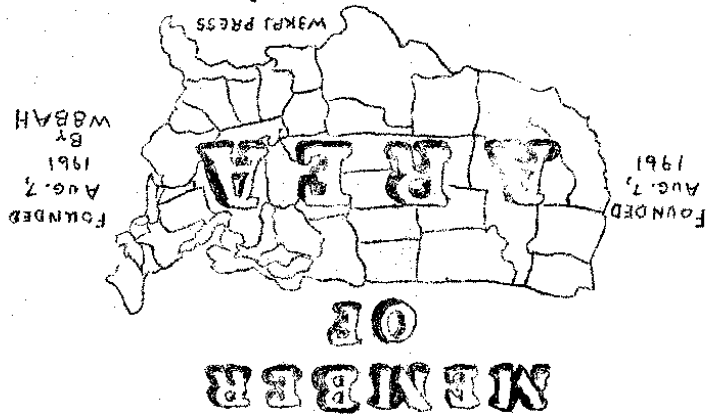
NOVEMBER 20 GENERAL MEETING

The General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 20, at 8:00 P.M. at the West Oak Lane Jewish Community Center, Sedgwick & Thouron Sts.

The Speaker of the evening will be, W3LYP, Ed Arvonio  
 His Topic will be;  
 "Side Band Equipment;  
 Especially on 2 Meters"

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