

Official Monthly Paper of the Young Ladies' Radio League  
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A.R.R.L. CONVENTION

We are off to take part in the N.E. Division ARRL Convention, Worcester, Mass., April 20th and 21st, with none other than W1IOR as Convention Manager.

It's a Hamboree,-- something new,-- free eats,-- drinks,-- dancing and entertainment Saturday night,-- Banquet Sunday.-- Peppy meetings and plenty of prizes, to say nothing of the Wouff Hong initiation.

Our YLRL meeting should be attended by as many of us as possible. YFs and YLs not members are cordially invited to attend and participate in our special door prize, etc.

Anything any of you can do to help me round up the YL and YF gang and get them to the Convention will be appreciated.

-- "Cookie", W1FCF, YLRL Chairman for N.E. Division ARRL Convention.

QST ..... QST ..... QST

Every YLRL member will want a copy of the May issue of QST. There is to be a feature length article telling all about the organization and progress of our club, with pictures of many of the officers and members. WBTAY wrote the article (with some assistance from W9NBX) and Nita is to be commended on her excellent work. Personal bits of information about various members, as well as general information about the club make it a story which will be of interest to every ham. So tell your friends to watch for the May QST.

Did you notice the poem by one of our members, W3AKB, in the last QST? If not, you really missed something. How about a poem for YL HARMONICS, Frances?

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIPS

(The following idea was submitted by W1FOF. What do the other members think about it?)

I believe we should have an associate membership in the YLRL, making a place for girls who have a sincere interest in amateur radio, but who have not as yet secured a ticket or been bitten quite hard enough to go after it. I would suggest they pay the same dues as we do, but have no vote in the activities until such time as they receive their license, when they become full members.

There are a great many men in Ham radio whose wives have been very cooperative and have made it possible for the said Ham to have continued success. Think we ought to receive these folks into an associate membership and build up an underpinning both from the standpoint of future membership and financial independence.

I feel that while many of the girls would not be Hams, they would make possible a great many YL meetings, anything from the proverbial sewing circle to the dry code and theory classes. It is going to be hard to make up individual clubs with the few YL and XYL licensed amateurs in each area. Think all together under the same association, it would be swell to sponsor Hamfests for all the gals in the surrounding towns.-- W1FOF.

DUES

Since last publication dues for one year were received from: 1LBO, 3CDQ, 6RIJ, 7PTX, 7FWR, 7GPO, 7GUQ, 7HHH, 8CKH, 8SPU, 8TUQ, exG2YL, K7HUT, and K7ENU (W7ENU)

DONATIONS

Received since last publication:

1KKQ 9¢; 2IXY 22¢; 5IKC \$1.37; 7FWB \$1.05; 7HHH 20¢; 8TAY 25¢; 8TUQ 75¢; 8UCY 7¢; 9CHD 8¢.

We are very happy, this month, to welcome into our League our first member in England, exG2YL, and our first members in Alaska, K7HUT and K7ENU. K7ENU is W7ENU of Seattle who is moving to Nome, Alaska in May. K7HUT was snowed in all winter at a little brapping cabin at Ugashik, Bristol Bay, and is only now able to get mail again. She joined through a QSO with W7FWB, who sent in her dues for her. She is on 3600 kcs and radio contacts mean a great deal to her.

C H A T T E R

1st district 1GQT Chairman

(GQT sent in her usual prompt report but said she had heard from very few members. How about it, you first district members? Send a post card or letter to your chairman at least once a month, so that your district will be well represented in YL HARMONICS.--Ed.)

GQT: "I did quite a bit of listening on the phone bands during the Party. Not being ~~used~~ a phone operator I found it extremely hard getting the calls, and hope I got them all right."

FRO: Is back on the air on 1032 kcs. She listens in on the 40 meter net freq. at 5:30 pm EST and wants the girls to listen for her at that time. She is secretary in an insurance office, and is interested in outboard motor racing. She owns her own 12 foot boat and claims she will give any member an exciting ride.

LJZ: "With each issue of YL HARMONICS I am becoming more enthusiastic. Am interested in what we are having for an insignia for the organization. Hope we have one, for I would like it on QSLs." (Any suggestions from you members?--Ed.) "Am looking for some YLs to come down to 3745 kcs to carry on a debate with the OMs. They have their debaters all ready and are anxious to go. Anyone interested?"

KKQ: "I have been a widow for nine years. W1TH is responsible for my interest in ham radio."

LBO: "I am on 160 fone at the present time. I was on 20 cw all last summer. I have had my ticket for two years and haven't had a QSO with a YL yet. I'll be back on 20 or 40 meter cw this summer."

2nd district 2IXY Chairmen

IXY: "W9DBD, W5DEW, and I are working out a weekly sked for Wed. at 4 pm EST. Any others who will join us on this round-up of YLs will be more than welcome. Our frequency is 14,244 kcs....I dote on animals; have 1 dog, 2 cats, 1 monkey, and the OM!"

MWY: "I attended an FTS meeting Sunday afternoon (April 7) here in New York City. I met Nils (Head of the Forty Traffic System) at the meeting and he certainly was enthusiastic about the YLRL. He is interested in having as many YLs as possible join the FTS. He thinks they do a swell job of traffic handling. I have just joined myself and will be glad to handle any traffic. The FTS is going to handle traffic at W2USA, at the N.Y. World's Fair, and I have put myself down for Friday night. I'm also going to do all I can to boost YLRL." (MWY is exW5IRS)

MIY: "Have been pretty busy at the office lately and most of my spare time has been taken up with rehearsals for "Tovarich", a three-act play coming off the 26th of April..Have also built up a new power supply giving me the proper voltage for my rig;-- so now I get about 60 watts input instead of the former 11. Hi! I am Red Cross Life Saving Examiner and Water Safety Instructor; also hold First Aid Certificate."

IXY: "I have two 66½ foot steel towers, with 4½ waves in phases strung between them. Then a 20 meter rotary and a 10 meter rotary. Have worked 102 countries,-- 33 zones,-- on two-way phone. Am trying for CC DX Club certificate, but as I have never worked any cw station as am a bit stuck. Have 91 countries verified, and am waiting for the other cards to come through;-- three of which, (Latvia, Madagascar, and New Hebrides) probably never will!"

3rd district 3FXZ Chairman

FXZ: "DX Contest was disappointing--did not seem like a DX party of yester-years, hi! I got one new one,-- HC1VT. I sked 3HVO each Tuesday and sked 8NCJ Tuesday a.m. also. Girl Scouts activities fill my time, and I wonder if any of the others are active with Girl Scouts."

HVO: "I held '3AEC' from 1924 till 1928. Then dropped Ham radio until issued 3HVO in 1938."

CDQ met exG2YL personally in London in 1937. Elizabeth is usually on 7193 and 14386 kcs cw.

4th district 4DAI Chairman

No report received.

5th district 5DEW Chairman

No report received.

IPR is a new-comer to ham radio, having received her ticket only a few months ago.

IXC: "Am anxious to contact some of the YLs, as yet, I haven't. Have sked 24 states, hoping to talk to the rest real soon. I have a ham photo album, but no YLs in it yet."

OFFICIAL BALLOT

This ballot must reach the secretary, W9NBX, Bowbells, N.Dak., before June 1, 1940.

PRESIDENT  
Vote for one only.

W7FWB, Ethel Smith \_\_\_\_\_  
W2IXY, Dorothy Hall \_\_\_\_\_  
  
W8TAY, Anita Bien \_\_\_\_\_

VICE PRESIDENT  
Vote for one only.

W9WVP, Carol Keating \_\_\_\_\_  
W1GQT, Lida King \_\_\_\_\_  
  
WBTPZ, Marie Corcoran \_\_\_\_\_

RULES OF ELECTION

Section 4 of the YLRL By Laws reads as follows:  
"In each regular April issue of the club paper the secretary shall list the officers to be elected, together with the rules for election. Each member in good standing is entitled to one vote for president and one vote for vice president, votes to reach the secretary before June first of each year. The member receiving the most votes is elected to each respective office. Results of election shall be published in the June issue of the club paper and the new officers shall take office July first. Each appointed officer shall hold her office until her successor has been appointed."

The offices of President and Vice President are the only elective offices in our League, the Secretary and District Chairmen being appointed by the President. Send your votes to the Secretary without delay, sealing them in the small envelope enclosed for that purpose.

- W7FWB: Wenatchee, Wash. Founder and first President of YLRL. Member AEC, RCC, AARS. Has held Class B ticket for four years. Age, in twenties. Unmarried. Cashier in mercantile store.  
W2IXY: Springfield, N.Y. Second District Chairman. Member RCC, OPS. Has WAS, WAC, WBE. Has Class A license, having held a ticket for five years. Age, in thirties. Married.  
W8TAY: Cleveland, Ohio. Publicity Chairman. Member AEC, RCC. Has held Class B ticket for over a year. Age, in thirties. Married.  
W9WVP: Urbana, Ill. Vice President of YLRL. Member RCC. Has Class A license, having held a ticket for four years. Age, in twenties. Unmarried. Is a student at University of Illinois.  
W1GQT: Holyoke, Mass. First District Chairman. Has held Class B ticket for seven years. Age, in thirties. Married.  
WBTPZ: Wyoming, Ohio. Net Control Station for 160 meter fone net. Member RCC. Has held Class B ticket for about a year. Age, in thirties. Married.

NETS

Net Control Stations and Alternate Net Control Stations are being appointed for YLRL nets on all amateur bands. The following definite arrangements have been made, and others will be published next month.

BAND	STATION (NCS & ALT)	DAY OF WEEK NET WILL MEET	TIME	FREQUENCY
160 fone	W8TPZ(NCS)	Wednesday night	7:00 am CST	1804 kcs.
		Sat. afternoon	2:00 pm CST	1859 kcs.
80 cw	W9ILH(NCS)	Thursday night	10:30 pm CST	3610 kcs.
40 cw	W9ZTU(NCS)	Mon. Wed. Fri.	3:30 pm CST	7220 kcs.
	W9OWQ(ALT)			
20 fone	W2IXY(NCS)	Thurs. afternoon	4:00 pm EST	14,244 kcs.
	W9DBD(ALT)			

BTPZ says that the 160 meter net will tune the band at the scheduled times to catch any girls on other frequencies who want to get in.

The 20 meter fone net will also make it a policy of listening over the band for girls on other frequencies. 2IXY, 2KKG, 9DBD, and 5LEW have already been having success with a 20 meter round table, getting together at 4 p.m. EST, Wednesdays.

Get in the nets, and get acquainted with the other members.

C H A T T E R, cont.

6th district 6RGX Chairman

RGX: "I'm after WAS with my two watts and would appreciate having the girls giving a listen for me. I think I'll stick to low power and see just what I can do with it.

"Congrats to QOG for doing such a swell job on that contest. More power to you, Helen.

"The gals are reporting pitched battles trying to get to the YL MAR HARMONICS before the OMs find out that the latest and best has just arrived.

"We have RIJ in the YLRL now. Eva hails from Peoria, Ariz. and is 18 years old. Eva is our idea of a grand ham; she makes her own rig, which is more than most of us do. She reports a K6, KD6, CM, J2, KAL, and most of Mexico, as DX. She's only been on the air since June, and that's good in any league.

"RGX is still struggling along with her 2 watts and getting a big kick out of it. Worked WIMGG the other night and was very pleased to get an S7. The OM, "Cap", insists that he had the FCC clear the frequency for her. Grrrrr!

"You'll find RIJ down on forty most any time, along with RGX. QOG seems to stick to 160 phone. Lida at 1GQT and 6RGX are going to try to get together some Tuesday in the wee small hours. It's OK for RGX, but Lida has to get up at 5 a.m. Which reminds me, I'm getting sleepy, so we'll go see what's on the band before crawling in for the night. ----- Peggy, 6RGX. (Thanks, Peggy, for the fb report.-Ed.)

7th district 7FWB Chairman

FWB sat up till 2:30 one night writing 42 letters to YLs in her district. (Due to her activity, the seventh district boasts five new members this month. Good work, Ethel.-- Ed.)

GUQ is 29 years old, is married, and has four children. She is on 75 meter phone most of the time.

GPO is getting a new xmtr and couldn't enter contest because it didn't arrive in time.

FWR is just out after having a broken leg and ankle. She is XYL of 7FWB.

FTX: "I have been a ham about five years and like ham radio better every day. Have had a sked every Monday night on 80 cw with 6GRH, (my cousin) for four years. I like to build my own rigs. We have two boys, one 3 years and one 11 years old. I wonder how many YL hams there are in Montana?"

COX lives in an apartment and is on the air at irregular hours only, because of ECL trouble.

HHH is active on all the phone bands, and lacks just one state for WAS. Which one, Bea? Maybe we can help you out.

HDS: "I am enclosing something I won on a bet with the OM. He had been calling his head off to get a J2, and I bet him I could get the fellow with one call. So,-- here's a \$1. donation." (Good work, Lizette. Maybe some of the other members can work the same thing. Hi!- Ed.) HDS also sent in a clipping of a picture and article about herself and her station, that was published in the Wyoming Eagle.

8th district 8SBB Chairman

No report received. The following items were gleaned from letters received by the secretary.

TPZ: "On Feb. 17 there were ten YL and XYL ops in one round-table on ten meter fono. That must set some kind of record!" Marie will be glad to QSO by mail with any and all Canadian stations.

TUQ: "Although I have been pianist at the three Rochester broadcasting stations, and soloist with the Albany, Rochester, and Cincinnati Symphony Orchestras, as well as over NBC, I still prefer pounding the key to the microphone!"

## MORE CHATTER

8th dist. cont.

KVR: "I have had my ticket since 1933 and in '35 I received Class A privileges. Since then I have received 2 Public Service Certificates for emergency work in the 1936 Pennsylvania floods, and 1937 Ohio and Miss. floods. During the New England hurricane I transferred Western Union messages via short-wave from that area to W.U. here in Buffalo. I now am a member of the W.U. emergency net. I need Nevada for my WAS, all contacted on 40 meters. I would like to contact all of you YLs, and you can usually find me on 7129 kcs, my favorite spot."

SPU: "Would especially like to meet any XYLs in person. We keep 'open house' for hams".

UCY: "So far since I have been on the air I have made one VL contact. That was with 2MIY. I had a nice QSO with Dot and took my first QSP from her. We were almost ready to sign off before we discovered that both ops were YLs. I met 8TAY at her home a few weeks ago and enjoyed a pleasant few hours with her."

TAY keeps busy as Assistant Secretary in the Cuyahoga Radio Club and Publicity Chairman for the VLRL. Nita's dream is "a nice shack (comfy and full of drawers and book shelves) out in the sticks with a good clearance for antennae."

UCW believes she is the only VL op in Erie, with ROP being the only xyl op there. WBSER, who is editor of a column, "With Erie Radio Amateurs" published weekly in the Erie Dispatch-Herald, is giving the VLRL some fine publicity in his column. We appreciate his interest and cooperation.

### 9th district 9CHD Chairman

GHD was married to Joe Conn (W2MSC), a television engineer, of New York, on April 1st. The VLRL extends heartfelt congratulations. Lenore will be operating portable from New York until she gets her W2 call. The ninth district is sorry to lose her, but we know she will be continue to be active in club work.

WVP will finish out the year as ninth district chairman. Carol has been busy lining up net control stations for the VLRL nets.

OWQ: "I had such a nice letter and pictures from ZS2AA, Iris Hayes, and K4EZR, Alice Rodriguez. Their pictures were both in "Radio" at the same time mine was, so I had written them."

TLJ: "I am secretary of the Chicago Area Radio Club Council and also of the Lake Michigan Amateur Radio Club."

JWJ: "Two local hams created quite a bit of comment March 17th at the Washington U. Engineers' Mask Ball; namely, W9JWJ, escorted by W9TCG, who is a Jr. E.E. there. I wore a black dress appliqued all over with schematic diagrams in yellow bias tape; and topped with a cap supporting a three-inch antenna tower holding a lighted flash-light bulb. (Batteries were hidden in the cap.) We told everyone the bulb was lighted with r.f. TCG's costume was similar."

LLG: "Right now I am very busy as we have adopted a baby girl, and she does demand attention. Hi! However, the OM is at the mike a good share of the time. He promised me the fone rig if I passed the exams and I passed, so he works it with my call."

ZTU is just recovering from an operation, and expects to be on the air again soon. Mickey has recently joined the PTS and ARRL.

QUD: "I have just received a picture of W9NSU, who is one of our best traffic handlers here in Missouri. For fourteen years--ever since he was in high school and was hurt in a car crash--he has been unable to walk and does most of his operating from his bed. X He would like to contact any other hams who are handicapped like himself, so if you hear of any please let me know." Letha is an ex-cryptography-fiend, but had to give it up because of the eye-strain.

AFK has a new eco rig on 80 meters-- a 6N7 osc and pair of 6L6s in the final, with 40 watts input. Myrt and NBX both attended a local ham-fest a few weeks ago, being the only XYL ops present.

### Foreign

K4FOW: "I received my ticket in Aug. 1938, Class C-- we did not have an R.I. at that time. We have now, and I must go up for Class B soon. I have been a resident of P.R. off and on for 25 years. Was born in New Orleans. Married to K4FAB, and we have one daughter, Edna. Alice, K4EZR and I do quite a bit of scheduling, for folks who have relatives in the states, and especially parents who have their children at school there. Alice goes in for DX and has a surprising number of cards from DX stations. A few of them are OQ5AB, PK1VM, SM5WU, SV1CA, PK6XX, and OZ9Q. Rag-chewing is my forte, and I enjoy every minute of it. I love to exchange snapshots and have a large album of them. Was wondering if you girls know anything about our club, the Porto Rican Amateur Radio Club? We are giving out a very handsome certificate to those stations who have worked twenty-five K1 stations, and send in proof of having done so. We also have two annual ham-fests."

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(Chatter, K4FOW, Cont.)

"Don't be surprized to hear that Alice is off the air, because the Power Co. thought it would be a good idea to put one of those high voltage transformers right smack on a pole next to her antenna. But never fear, she will be on as soon as she moves to her new home, where there will be no interference." (Thanks, Jenny, for all the news)

K6ROJ: "I'm mighty glad to see and to welcome the new members. They seem to be rolling in, and the more the merrier. I received letters from exVK4JP and exVK3XP last mail, wishing the VLRL lots of luck. I worked PK1VM, Java, Q5/R5, off the back end of my beam. Not bad, eh?"

G2YL. Nelly's membership was brought in by W3CDQ.

K7ENU(W7ENU) Mary is leaving Seattle for Nome, Alaska, in May, where her OM has taken over a job with the Signal Corps for Wash.-Alaska Communications. Mary writes: "Our mail service up there will be very good compared to some other Alaskan locations-- twice a week by plane from Fairbanks. I don't know as yet what I may be able to manage in the way of rag-chewing or skeds, as we will be so far west. There is three hours difference in time between Nome and the Pacific Coast, and we will be only 70 miles from the Arctic Circle. I'd love to hear from any and all of you, to keep my finger in the pie when I am so far away."

#### NEW MEMBERS

W1LBO. Lucy L.O'Regan, 100 Olive Ave., Malden, Mass. 160 fone  
W3CDQ. Elizabeth Zandonini, 3633 Everett St. NW, Washington, D.C. 40, 20cw  
W6RIJ. Eva A. Sanderson, R.I.B. 50. Peoria, Ariz. 40 cw.  
W7FTX. Clarice L. Goodman, Corvallis, Mont. All bands.  
W7FWR. Mary Ann Tatro, 513 N. Central, Olympia, Wash.  
W7GPO. Mary Roden, 519 N.W. 9th St., Pendleton, Ore.  
XXFXR W7GUQ. Elizabeth M. Fine, P.O. Box 805 Whitefish, Mont.  
W7HHH. Bea Austin, 1137 Federal St., Bend, Ore. All phone bands.  
W8CKH. Mrs. Gertrude Roddy, 109 Cushing Ave., Dayton, Ohio  
W8SPU. Helen V. Smith, Sycamore, Ohio. 75 and 20 phone.  
W8TUQ. Irene Gedney, 242 Herald St., Rochester, N.Y. 20, 40, and 80  
exG2YL. Nelly Corry. (Will have her mailing address next month)  
K7HUT. Verne St. John, Ugashik, Bristol Bay, Alaska  
K7ENU. (W7ENU-Mary B. Davis, 2403 7th Ave. W. Seattle, Wash)  
After May 30th,-- Nome, Alaska. 80 cw. But 10 and 20 soon.

In spite of the fact that the sun-spots picked the same week-end for their party that we did, reports have been pouring in and the QSO Party results will be published next month.

Due to lack of space, the quarterly financial report will be published next month. There will also be a new complete membership list next month.

The following was written by W8TPZ, Marie Corcoran, Wyoming, Ohio. Marie thinks it may give some idea of what is to come.

My Mom, she joined the YL club,  
My Pop, he's always home.  
He seldom speaks a single word,--  
She's on his microphone.

He used to call "CQ, CQ."  
While she his meals did get.  
Now he says, "Dinner's ready, dear,"  
And she ain't ready yet.

She used to be his XYL,  
Now she's the other op.  
We used to hafta call for Mom,  
And now we yell for Pop.

I think my Pop has learned a lot  
And still has much to know,  
Since Mom she got her ticket  
And is on the radio.