

Notice

This month YL HARMONICS brings you two extras. The first is the membership list which so many of you have requested. The names of additional members will be published each month so that you can keep your list up to date.

The second is a questionnaire for you to fill out and return to the secretary. Many of the questions must be answered for the ARRL before we can affiliate with that organization, so please send them in as soon as possible.

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Letter in QST

Probably many of you saw the letter written by the secretary, which was published in Jan. QST. As was expected, this brought an avalanche of letters, cards, and radiograms asking for further information. These have all been answered and new memberships are coming in in each mail. More power to the YLRL!

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Dues

Since last publication.

Dues for one year were received from: 9ZWL, 1EDM, 9JWJ, 11OR, 9HEM, 9OUD, 8NCJ, 8UCY, 8PZA, 3AKB, 6SGD, 8TLE, 1FTJ, 5GXT and VE4VO.

Dues for four years were received from: 1KUI, 9GLE, and 8TTS.

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Donations.

Received since last publication: 1EDM 12¢, 9JWJ 15¢, 9ZWL 24¢, 1KUI 13¢, VE4VO 10¢, 1FTJ 8¢, 9HEM 5¢, 9GLE 24¢, 6SGD 45¢. Also..a donation of about 1000 sheets of excellent grade of paper was donated by W1GQT and her GM of Holyoke, Mass., "The Nation's Paper City". Three cheers for Jim and Lida.

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Several members have sent in pictures for the club album. Have you sent yours yet? Let's have the album as complete as possible.

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Financial Report.

to January 1, 1940

Receipts

November	cash	\$ 6.05
	stamps	2.01
December	cash	1.50
	stamps	1.79
Total receipts		\$12.25

Receipts, divided into dues & donations

29 one year memberships	\$ 7.25
dues for additional yrs	1.25
donations	3.75
Total receipts	\$ 12.25

Expenditures

<u>November</u>	
cash- paper	\$.75
envelopes	.35
postage	1.01
total	2.11
stamps used	1.36
<u>December</u>	
cash- envelopes	\$.30
postcards	.10
hctograph	
supplies	.80
total	1.20
stamps used	1.74
Total Expenditures	\$ 6.41
Cash on hand	4.24
Stamps on hand	1.30
Total	12.25

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Round Table

On the night of December 29th, five members of the YLRL engaged in a QSO that they believe must set some sort of record. W9ILL, W9ZWL, W8SJE, W1GQT, and W9HEK had a five-way QSO that was one-hundred percent all the way around. The fellows who think all of the girls stick to phone are badly mistaken.

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A revised list of the district chairmen will appear in YL HARMONICS next month.

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Personalities

The following paragraphs are portions of a letter received from a new Canadian member, VE4VO, of Calgary, Alberta.

"Despite the fact that we are not on the air right now, our hearts and throats are still with ham radio...I think it is so nice to hear from our sister hams as we are rather small in number compared to the OMs.

"I am 20 years old and have had my ticket a year and three months. The three months have been spent off the air tho. During this time I had 367 QSOs entirely on 40 meters. I've worked no DX, one VE3 one K7 and one K6; but a nice long chat with anyone is much better than all the DX in the world, to me. I have only worked 26 states, but maybe I'll do better next time.

"I started in ham radio with a single 6L6 and an old SWL receiver without bandspread or beat oscillator, and a W9 was real DX to me then. Last Dec. my rig was increased to 100 watts... 6L6 osc. 307 buffer, pr of T2Os final, and receiver is a five-tube t.r.f.

"It is surely discouraging to tune over the band and hear the W's having such a grand time, but we are so thankful you are all staying neutral and keeping ham radio alive. The fate of ham radio is in your hands, but we Canadians know you will keep it. Anyway we have all put our faith in you and are just sitting back thinking of what we will do when we get back on the air. My only activities with radio now are copying a little code and practice sending. I'm entirely a cw ham and don't think I'll ever get on Sphone.

"We have not only had to give up our hobby here, but also our club, and some of our friends. So many of the boys have gone away with the navy and air-force that there were not enough left to keep up our club-meets, so we had to give them up. Out of a membership of about 50 we have 3 left. We still hold meetings, but we miss the other boys so much the meetings are not very cheerful.

"I would like very much to become a member of the YL League." "Best 73s, Dot Fitts, VE4VO.

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If this issue of YL Harmonics seems to be predominantly cw in flavor, it is because very little news of phone activity was received by the secretary. How about it, you phone enthusiasts? Lots hear from you. ---oOo---

November QSO Party Results

The Winner:

WIMCW, Lucia Littlefield, Searsport, Maine, with a total of 25 points.

The following are the reports received from the district chairmen:

W1GQT: WIMCW was winner in district, as well as in contest. Lucia worked W4DOE, W6MED (XYL there), W6PVV, W4FRR and W7HHI on ten meters with an input power of 50 watts. W1FTJ couldn't participate because she and the OM were working in Radio's DX Contest those weekends. W1LJZ reported but was unable to contact any YLs. W1WRG has let her license lapse. W1MJE ~~XXX~~ is a new XYL op. W1KEP was unable to contact any YLs in contest. W1GQT was on 30 and 40 m cw but was unable to work any YLs.

W2IKY: No report received.

W3FKZ: Reported that there were three active in her district.

W4DAI: No report received.

W5INE: No report received.

W6RGX: Unable to work any YLs on 160 phone or 40 cw but sent out 95 mimeographed notices about the contest in the 6th district.

W7FWB: Sent out 35 notices. No contacts were reported to her.

W8SEB: Reported that there were 10 active in her district.

W9CHD: No report received.

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Cherished QSLs

W1GQT

I had a QSO with Lieut.-Comdr. Frank M. Hawks on Dec. 14, 1933. I guess he didn't have his QSL card at that time as he had been on the air only a short time, but he sent me a photograph of a Texaco Sky Chief airplane flying in the sky. Up in the left-hand corner he wrote "To W1GQT, best 73, Frank Hawks, W2GKLx212/14/33." You can imagine how I cherish that acknowledgment of our QSO. In fact, I have it framed and it's on the wall of our shack.

VE4VO

I am quite proud of a card I received from Bud White, W3JHO, who was radio operator and electrician for Admiral Byrd on his last expedition to the Antarctic. ---oOo---

Fill in that questionnaire today, and send it to Enid Carter, Dowbells, N.D.

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NETS

Plans are now being completed for 40 and 30 meter cw nets; and it may be possible to organize nets on some of the other bands, too, depending on how many members want them. Be sure to state on the questionnaire, on what band or bands you would be interested in joining a net. They will operate on a spot frequency, and as many as possible should get on that frequency, to make the net efficient. The nets will be primarily for reg-chewing and getting acquainted generally, and it is not necessary to be a speedy operator to get in with the bunch.

The 30 meter net will operate on thirty six hundred ten kcs, (3610 kcs). This has been definitely settled and will not be changed. To begin with, the net will operate every Thursday evening beginning at 10:30 pm CST(11:30 PM EST; 9:30 pm MST, 8:30 pm PST). This will give the west coast stations a chance to get in. W9OUD will act as net control and if her duties on the ARRL Trunk Line prevent her from being there, someone else with a strong signal will take over. The call will be YLRL de W-----. Net frequency may also be used at any time for making skeds with other YLs; and a YLRL call any night may result in a YL contact.

The 40 meter net will operate on seventy two hundred twenty kcs, (7220 kcs), so that it will be possible to work both nets with the same crystal. Days and time of operation for this net have not been settled but all those interested will be notified.

If you are interested in cheap crystals W9EQV, Box 93, Dollar Bay, Mich., sells exact frequency crystal with holder for one dollar and sixty cents(\$1.60) and will send it COD. W9EQV has supplied some of the AARS nets with net crystals and they have proved very satisfactory.

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Slogans

- W1GQT - One Grand Queen Transmitting or Gee Cutie (and her OM suggests- Wanted One Good Quart)
- W9NEX- No Jan Xtals or Not Bad Knitting (Thanks to WSTAY)
- W9ZWL - Zulu with Lice
- WSTAY - Thinking about You
- W9WFP - We Women Persist.

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December QSO PARTY RESULTS

- First W1GQT - 3 contacts Winner
- Tie for second W8SJF - 7 contacts
- W9ILH - 7 contacts
- Third W9NEX - 5 contacts
- Fourth W9ZWL - 4 contacts
- Fifth W9OUD - 3 contacts
- Sixth W9WFP - 2 contacts

Contacts made:

- W1GQT: 40 meters: 1KIU, 4GIW, 3ODI, 8SJF.
- On 30 meters: 8SJF, 9ILH, 9NEX, 9ZWL.
- W9ILH: 30 meters: 8SJF, 7NL, 9NEX, 9ZWL 9OUD, 1GQT, 8OJ.
- W8SJF: 40 meters: 1GQT, 9WFP.
- 30 meters: 9ILH, (NEX, 9OUD, 9ZWL, 1GQT.
- W9NEX: 30 meters: 9ZWL, 9AWK, 9ILH, 8SJF, 1GQT.
- W9ZWL: 30 meters: 9NEX, 8SJF, 9ILH, 1GQT
- W9OUD: 40 meters: 9WFP
- 30 meters: 8SJF, 9ILH
- W9WFP: 40 meters: 9OUD, 8SJF.

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Puzzled

One YL writes in as follows: "One thing which would be of interest to me and other yl ops would be an explanation in brief of letters used in hamming work, for instance - AARS, SCM, ARRL, ORS, etc... I believe some cannot buy the radio magazines and may be curious."

How about it girls? Do you want such a list published? Send in the ones you think should be on such a list or the ones that are confusing to you, and we'll see what can be done about it.

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When making skeds with a station in another time zone, be sure to make allowance for this change of time. Remember that when it is 10 pm MST, it is only 9 pm CST, 8 pm EST, and 7 pm PST. Unless you state which time-zone you mean, the other station has no way of knowing whether you mean your time or hers. For a better YLRL, be clear and specific in making skeds; be prompt and dependable in keeping them.

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Miss Graynella Packer was the first sea-going radio operator. So far no women operators have figured in disaster at sea. Brava!! ---000---

CHATTER

4GFO is interested in traffic work. Helen has 350 watts on 30, 40 and 20 m/5EDD, Gladys, hopes to get more YEs interested down there in Marfa, Texas. 2FLA is just 15 miles from N.Y. and has QRM troubles. No, Kitty, 9MEX doesn't live on a ranch; but Dowbelle has less than 500 people in it, and is really the "wide open spaces"...9DLD is working up interest with other St. Louis YEs. Leta writes "Wonder if anyone would like to exchange photos. I am quite interested in photography and would like to get in touch with any of the girls who are interested." ...1GQT has a new 100 watt transmitter; an Xmas gift from the OM. She wxt writes "My sentiments are not the same as LFOF's, about barring cw. I hope that the majority will stick to cw as I would much rather have a cw contact than a phone qso." 8NCJ has WAS and has sent for her certificate. Congratulations Beth. She is both ROC and FTS, but prefers rag-chewing... 6UCY is a student nurse, so Carol's time on the air is limited...8TPZ is just recovering from a streptococcus throat infection, and before that her Jr. op had the flu. Tough luck, Marie...1KUI is just getting started on 30 meters...1IOP is an 30 meter rag-chewer, too, and by the way, is there a handle, or is it just C.A.?...1KQ works mostly traffic...4VO is our second Canadian member...We hope Santa brought 9WJ a North Dakota contact...9CMB works mostly phone, but her OM (9YOO) is on 30 cw. They are leaving soon on an extensive trip thru the south and west, and will return to Mann. in the spring...9ZWL is President of the Aberdeen Amateur Radio Assoc. and the 1940 S.D. State Convention is to be held there. Martha tells us how she became interested in ham radio:"It started in the summer of 1935 when the spectacle of the gigantic balloon ascension took place in Rapid City. I lived there at that time, and made the acquaintance of three N3C engineers who were all hams. One, W2LV, used to drop into my house every other evening and send code to me for half an hour. Got the technical points thru the help of W9TOP and some practical experience, and my memory. The OM here didnt seem to have much patience with me so I had to go to friends for help.

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STAY is interested in everything Spanish. Wata has become "Tay" on the cw bands..... 9OUD suggests, "How about appointing some of the YEs with nice loud signals in various sections as broadcasters, like the D.E.S. to give out information on schedules?" Leta also has a few comments on the SCM's job: "The reason QST reports are often so scant is because the fellows... and gals ..dont send the SCM news. My gang cooperates with me grandly down here since I managed to raise a few reports...if the girls will help by sendi in news even a mere OM SCM can do a bit in the way of editorial work. Also, the rules say no fancy trimmings and smart cracks in state news nor personal statements to individuals; which limits matters a bit. Hi."...1FTI is working so and may be found on "most any cw band...6SGD will soon be on 30 and 40 c Kitty writes,"The OM, 6RWV, is trying to work YEs from the various states. His frequency is 7163 kc, and he is on a good bit of the time. He is unfortunately ill and must spend his time in bed, so the amateur radio provides him lots of pleasure and helps pass the time. He got WAS after being on the air only about ten weeks"... 7COX is working portable from Miles City, Montana, and is trying to promote a cw AARS net, Good Luck Fran...9EDM is on 20 cw and 10 fone Frenchywrites"I am going to study for my class A. bt those darn diagrams have me down. Why cant the FCC think up an easier test for females? Guess they dont want us on 20 and 75 meters...8TTE is a consultant interior decorator for a large department store in Pittsburgh. Some's like interesting work, Jane. Let's hear more about it...2IKY has a four-way round-table going on ten meter fone (or would thatbe a square-table?). Dorothy is interested in getting a 20 m net started....5OKT has been trying to work N.D. for two years. The 30 meter net ought to solve that, Theresa.... 9MEX thanks all of you for the letters, Xmas cards, and pictures sent in, and for your enthusiastic cooperation.

Enid Carter, W9MEX
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Dowbelle, N. Dak.

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