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NEW DISTRICT CHAIRMEN

1st D/C - W1FTJ, Dot Evans - QTH shown above.
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6th D/C - W6QOG, Helen Leonard, 1205 S. Edris Ave., Los Angeles, Calif.
7th D/C - W7HHH, Beatrice Austin, 1137 Federal St., Bond, Oregon.
8th D/C - W8VFL, Martha Lee Monte, Oak St., Chagrin Falls, O.
9th D/C - W9PFO, Marie Van Aller, 4127 Tholozan Ave., St. Louis, Mo.
*10th D/C - VE4APA, Maude Phillips, Chancellor, Alberta, CANADA.
**11th D/C - G2YL, Nelly Corry, Walton on the Hill, Petersmead, Meadow Walk, Surrey, ENGLAND.

* Canadian

** All other foreign members

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YL HARMONICS is the official organ of THE YOUNG LADIES' RADIO LEAGUE, which is international in scope but has units in various cities of the United States of America.

*SOMETHING NEW HAS BEEN ADDED TO THE YLRL

The following appointments have been made by the President for the coming year:

SECRETARY: Dot Evans, WLPTJ - 1st D/C
PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN: To be announced later.
*LIAISON OFFICER: Eliz. Zandonini, W3CDQ - 3rd D/C

ACCEPTANCE LETTERS

(As a result of elections and appointments.)

"Dear YLRL'ers:

"My sincere thanks to all of you who have made it possible for me to enjoy the office of President. I am honored and most grateful. In the discharge of my duties, I shall do my utmost to preserve your confidence. At this time of global crises, the continued cementing of our relationship and friendship is of utmost importance. Having worked with you YLs as Publicity Chairman, I am familiar with your spirit of co-operation and helpfulness. Your suggestions and ideas on club matters, including YL HARMONICS, are urged more than ever at this time. Thirty Three do **STAY** - Nita"

"Dear YLRL:

"I wish to express a million thanks for your support on my behalf. It really came as a great surprise to me. I only wish we could all have won for each of us deserved it each in her own way. I will try my best to co-operate with my fellow officers and with the girls at all times. If you have any suggestions for improvement at any time on any phase of the club, we will be more than happy to hear from you. I hope I will be able to do as well as the Vice-President before me has already done. Best of luck to all of you and **vy 33**. Yours for Victory. (Signed) Dot Willett, W3UDA."

"Dear Sister YLRL Members:

"Our new President, **STAY**, has done me the honor of asking me to be Secretary of our organization for the ensuing year. It is with enthusiasm and a feeling of gratitude that I have accepted this position.

"For the Duration we must all pull together and do our utmost to keep our organization rolling. Our past officers have all worked hard toward this end and they are to be congratulated for their efforts. Even though our activities must, because of the war, be curtailed for a time, let's not relax our efforts but dig in even more so that when we have won this war we will be on the top of the heap with a 100% organization.

"I shall do my part just as near right as I know how and want all YLRL members to feel free to write in to me with any question or criticism at any time. I am at your service. **33** (Signed) Dot Evans, WLPTJ, Secretary."

"Dear Nita:

"I am more than pleased to accept the position of 'Liaison Officer' between Navy and Army for the YLRL and shall do my best to keep the YLRL before those two organizations.

"I wish you lots of luck in your position as President of the YLRL and will do my utmost to assist you in any way I can.

"Lots of luck and **33**. (Signed) (Miss) Elizabeth M. Zandonini, W3CDQ"

Ed: (Here's hoping this Wartime YLRL Cabinet may be able to carry on its term of office to a successful completion.)

THE SECRETARY'S CORNER

NEW O-C-D RADIO PLAN !!

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By this time you have undoubtedly read in a late issue of QST of the FCC plans for amateur participation in civilian defense communication. For those who have not yet read this plan, we will outline it briefly. First, it is not planned to re-issue amateur licenses. This new plan is to be worked out from a different angle. Amateurs are to be contacted by the municipality; in other words, the amateur is not to take the initiative. The "War Emergency Radio Service" which has been set up by the FCC is to be divided into two classifications: Civilian Defense Stations and State Guard Stations. The first-named is the only one which we amateurs will be especially interested in.

Any clubs or amateurs desiring to set up Civilian Defense Stations should prepare for this WERS work by sending to the nearest FCC office for the necessary operator and station permits. Form No. 455 and Form No. 455 (a) are for the station license and Form No. 457 is for the operator permit.

It is suggested that amateurs approach, as tactfully as possible, the Communications Officer of the local OCD office and explain briefly the newly-formed WERS available to his department. After getting your local amateurs together, it would be well to take a complete inventory of the 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ meter equipment available and to find out who would be available as operators. It is further suggested that the names of two or three persons be submitted for the post of Radio Aide. These persons must be licensed, of unquestionable loyalty to these United States, and whose technical and administrative ability is good.

Doubtless your municipality will call upon you to advise of your plans, so it will be well to have them firmly in mind. It is hoped that amateurs living within 50 miles of the coast who have emergency equipment available, will immediately send for EC or AEC blanks so that they will be on record with the proper authorities.

For complete rules and regulations on the "War Emergency Radio Service", we refer you to the July issue of QST.

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REGISTRATION OF AMATEUR TRANSMITTERS!!!!!!

FCC Order No. 101, which was issued on July 19th, requires that ALL RADIO TRANSMITTERS, owned by an amateur station licensee, be registered by August 25, 1942.

Unfortunately no YL H was published in July, however QST and many of the local newspapers issued warnings for such registration so it is hoped that no girl failed to get blanks from nearest FCC office for proper registering of her equipment.

If you change your address for any reason, the FCC is to be notified within 5 days.

Hams all do their bit for those in the armed forces by advising and helping relatives who may not have known of this regulation. In many cases, some of the amateurs who knew various line-ups filled out the forms themselves.

(SIGNED: DOT EVANS, W1FTJ, SECRETARY)

W1FTJ's son Ira Russell, who was named after his paternal grandparent Ira and maternal grandfather Russell, now bears the initials IRE, characters used in the Ohm's Law and also the initials of the Institute of Radio Engineering. These facts alone already make him a Ham!

Many copies of YL HARMONICS are left over. These will be sold for 10¢ each. Check your files and see what's missing. A list of the available copies will be published next issue. Requests will be filled in order of receipt for same. First come - first served. Send orders to W8TAY, Editor.

All former executive officers and District Chairmen are urged to co-operate with the present staff in sending in ideas for changing the Constitution. Club grew faster than officers could keep up with rules for governing same. Present and past elections established the fact that some changes must be made. Send all ideas to the Secy. A Chairman will be appointed. Anyone desiring to serve on committee is welcome. Send name to W1FTJ, Secy.

WEDDINGS PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE ABOUT WHICH
WE'VE JUST HAD NEWS.

W9NEX/W6LBM

W6LBM of Calif. (W6LBM of the Army Net) and W9NEX (WLUJ) of the 7th Corps Area Net met on the air. Subsequent QSO's followed. That isn't unusual for amateur operators. Bill, as we call him, didn't stop there. He CAME, SAW and CONQUERED the fair Enid and that's what makes the story. He's an interesting conversationalist and his tales of Arabia (from whence he had recently returned after installing the King's xmt) must have made excellent eavesdropping. Enid was the league's first Secretary and second President. She found time too to teach radio to her Dad, a Minister, now W9UPH. Since one good ham always helps another, he solemnized the marriage at Sheldon, N.D. Bill is an Airlines Radio Supervisor so it was natural for him to take his bride on a plane honeymoon trip. Cleveland and New York were just two of their stops. Mr. & Mrs. W. B. Aldwell are now at home (6812 S. Lowe St., Chicago, Ill.) and welcome a visit from the YLRL'ers. (How about U Chi gals ganging up on 'em some night?)

(By the way, it was Bill who engineered the KO4USB, Byrd Antarctic Expedition contracts for the YLRL. Enid wants the girls to know that she is arranging some form of confirmation, which is good news indeed.)

W8UGY / W2LWQ

At a meeting of the Amsterdam Radio Club in N.Y., W8UGY, Bernice, was preparing her Goodbye speech as Secy. of the club. A good-looking blond Irishman came in with a friend. He was Leo Hanrahan, W2LWQ. He then and there decided, after a good look at Bernice, that it wouldn't be Goodbye for him. Shortly after, they were married. He is in the Xmt Dept. of G.E., and since both are hams, they plan the ideal shack about which we all dream. Schenectady is their home, 235 Park Place.

W1MIM / W1LDV

And still another member has decided to change her name from Lenore Marble to Mrs. Robert Powers Gooding. (Sorry, W1FTJ, the announcer of news, had no other dope nor their new QTH.)

W8SBB / W8OPX

Mary Stocking of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, and James Banberg, W8OPX, have announced their engagement. Mary whispered some grand plans about the future. For the time being, however, she will remain as a Laboratory Assistant at one of Cleveland's leading radio development plants. I've glanced into her office at times and have seen her drawing, soldering and performing odd interesting jobs. Like so many of our girls, Mary has more than her share of talents. She once planned to be an architect. Has been an art student and pianist. Now, if she is half as good at cooking as she is at smiling, etc., she'll be A-1 plus in her 1-A's heart.

W3GCU wants the girls to know that he'll QSL promptly if he has failed to do so. Just say the word. He publishes a very interesting ham paper - DELAWARE VALLEY RADIO ASSOCIATION club paper. W4FSE, Editor of THE ARC, likewise publishes an excellent club sheet. (50¢ a year for each, girls).

JUST LIKE A WOMAN!

Mary, W8SBB, and Jim have, since I cut this sheet yesterday, received their marriage license and have set the date for Saturday, August 29. Best wishes to all these gals!

LIAISON OFFICER'S CORNER

JUNIOR RADIO INSPECTORS in the Field Service of the Navy Dept. for duty in College Park, Maryland, suburb of Washington, D.C. (Few vacancies also in same classification for duty in Baltimore, Maryland.)

Qualifications: 3 yrs. high school or its equivalent, supplemented by:

- (a) Successful completion of 1 yr. of study in college or university leading to a B.S. degree in Engineering, Physics, or Technology. Applicants who haven't pursued this type of work will be considered if their college study included courses in mathematics and physics.
- (b) Successful completion of an engineering defense course in radio.
- (c) 1 yr. of experience in the inspection or testing of radio receivers or xtrs. or other radio equipment. Must have been obtained in employ of a reliable company manufacturing radio equipment.
- (d) 1 yr. of experience in the operation of an amateur radio xtr., providing that the amateur station is owned by the applicant.

Basic pay \$1620 per annum, with an additional \$350 per annum for Saturday work. Appointees will also be eligible for 26 days annual leave and 15 days sick leave with pay. (Contact W3CDQ)

JR. RADIO INSTRUCTOR JOE at Chicago or Scott Field (near St. Louis). Any hamette interested can apply for Civil Service forms. They will be given training for 3 months. Pay ranges from \$1620 to \$2600. College graduates with 20 hours of mathematics and physics are also eligible. (Write: Col. Wilson or Radio Dept. at Scott Field, St. Louis, Mo.)

HIGH FREQUENCY WORK - "We are in need of a woman interested in developing high frequency work in our Research Dept. Mr. George Spratt, a former member of ARRL, connected with our Lukensweld Incorporated subsidiary, is a Supervisor requesting such a person. Any help will be appreciated." (Signed: W. Francis Flood, Chief Clerk, Lukens Steel Co., Coatesville, Pa.)

SIGNAL CORPS LABORATORIES - prefer women with radio knowledge to receive training and employment as RADIO MECHANICS. \$120 a month while learning and then \$135 a month. Must report at own expense when accepted. (Write or wire: Personnel Officer, Signal Corps, General Development Laboratory, Ft. Monmouth, N. J.)

BUREAU OF SHIPS, Washington, D. C. (1) Civilian appointments - college women with training in physical sciences - \$2000 a year. (2) Women with amateur licenses - no college - can obtain civilian appointment in Bureau of Ships, Washington, D.C., on radio communications work at \$1620 a year. (Send qualifications to W3CDQ or direct to Mr. Geo. W. Bailey, 2101 Constitution Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C.)

Contact Mr. Bailey also for appointments available in radiolocator work, research labs., development and installation of communications facilities.

The WAVES (and no doubt the WAGS too) are asking for Radio Instructors, so keep up your practice. (Contact W3CDQ for WAVES job.)

Eliz. Zandonini, W3CDQ, Liaison Officer

Recently a Minnesota station wanted a YL radio op for special electronic test work. Many new jobs are opening up. Eliz. thru H. H. will keep you posted to best of her knowledge. If not free at the moment to investigate same, suggest you file away (in your mind) those possibilities against the time Uncle Sam may call your OM and your radio urge will be too great to subdue. Ed.

D I S T R I C T N E W S

1st DISTRICT CHAIRMAN - DOT EVANS

(W1FTJ)

WINAD's latest QTH is: Mrs. Ina G. Mansur, 35 Peterborough St., Boston, Mass.

W1GQT - Lida is feeling 100% okay once more and says she would like to hear from the various YLs who owe her letters!

W1MDV - Lou surprised us with a swell newsy letter. She recently attended the Framingham (Mass.) Hamfest and had a nice time. While there she saw W1MIM, W1MJE, W1MPP and W1MUW. Says her OM has rebuilt the rig and she is eager to get back on the air to give it a fling! Lou has an idea that we think is good. She suggests that since almost everyone has a Victory Garden this year, a space devoted to Garden Hints would prove interesting and popular.

W1MRC - Ethel is attending electrical engineering school and is studying like mad. Says she never knew there was so much mathematics in radio! Hi.

W1MZH - Mary tells us that she expects soon to report to the Naval Aircraft Factory in Philadelphia where she is to be hired as a Jr. Inspector of Radio. She's quite excited about this and well she may be.

W1MPP - Eunice's occupation is that of Draftswoman.

W1FTJ - I want to extend my thanks to all my girls for re-electing me the First District Chairman for another term. It makes me feel that perhaps I haven't done so badly after all - hi. Will certainly do my best to warrant this faith you have shown in me.

W1MVI - Has moved to new QTH which is now 211 S. Shore Dr., Belmar, New Jersey.

2nd DISTRICT CHAIRMAN - LENORE CONN.

(W2NAZ)

W2JZX is teaching code to the soldiers in Florida. She has developed a special speed system of teaching, which is evidently quite a success.

(Ed: Lenore, W2NAZ has a penthouse with terrace and plants, we are told.)

Lenore founded the Radio Training Course given at the AWVS in NYC. Jean Grabscheid, new YLRL'er is taking over the scheduling of the classes, leaving W2NAZ free to specialize in promotion and placement of these radio grads. In the IRIDIUM ROOM of HOTEL ST. REGIS, NYC, recently, 69 of these YLs were graduated, 28 received licenses, 41 having taken the Class B exam and are awaiting their tickets. Speakers were: Comm. Wakefield of the FCC; Lt. Crooker, USNR; W2GTZ, Reeve Strook, Deputy Raide Aide for WERS, NYC.; Lt. Ferretti, Radio Instructor from Ft. Monmouth and Mrs. Leonard & Mrs. Hess who represented AWVS. PM, NY TIMES & TRIBUNE all gave space to the event.

Matia Mendes, 78 yrs. old, got her AWVS Radio Diploma. She was a licensed op in World War #1 but had left it expire. Adele Macpherson, short-story writer is one of the members, also Ann Diamond, Concert Pianist, who hopes to use her training in the WACs or other government agency. We take our hats off to this group of girls and especially want to congratulate Lenore, our Television Actress, who not only makes believe but gets down to business in a hard, serious-minded way. Welcome to all these future members.

Congrats too to our Marjorie, W2NRC, of F.M. station W47NY. She holds ham ticket as well as 2nd Class radiotelephone and radiotelegraph licenses and is now announcing as well as operating a broadcast xtr. She likewise rated and got nice writeups in QST & RADIO. Bravo!

3rd DISTRICT CHAIRMAN - ELIZ. ZANDONINI

(W3CDQ)

W3JSH is former W2NIY - Dottie Knapp. W3WEP and W3AKB, Fran the Cryptographer who formerly worked at RCA, are both working in the Bureau of Ships, Washington, D.C. Carol is a former V.P.

Latest acquaintances of W3CDQ in the Washington, D.C. area: W3WWP, W3ZIH, W3AKB and W3RNO. W5IKC and W3JTX are due shortly.

W3CDQ visited with W3TAY in Cleveland recently and discussed club matters, etc.

(YL H seems to be short 4th and 5th District News but will try to dig up something for next issue. Will all members sending in news (and please all try to send something occasionally), get same to your D/C for SEPT.-OCT. issue by October 1 at latest. News, ideas, thumbnail sketches of YLs, etc., etc., all welcome. Be sure to keep us posted too on change of QTH inasmuch as it may be necessary in the future, due to increased costs of operation, to charge extra for second mailing of YL H. A post card to your D/C will suffice. - Ed.)

W3DBD sends the news that "long-lost" ex-W3FHK, now W4HPK, is radio op at the Army Radio Station at Ft. Benning, Ga. Agnes stated she enjoys the work. It keeps her in practice (to say nothing of improving her ability as an op) and when the shifts change, she just catches up on sleep.

DISTRICT NEWS

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6th DISTRICT CHAIRMAN - Helen Leonard

(W6QOG)

W6UIV is ex-W6HDJ of Ft. Sill, Okla. Katherine is a Military court reporter. She was perhaps the only YL op in the Philippine Islands a year or so ago. Her OM was in charge of Station KAIHR.

(Have been informed that the calls KGIUT, KGMZK, K6NEK & K6OW represent Hawaiian YLs. If so, does anyone know their names and QTH? - Ed.)

K6TCW-K6QUD

(Honolulu, Hawaii)

The lone YLRL Honolulu member, Helen Firth, aka K6TCW, writes about the eventful morning of December Seventh as follows:

"Frank, the OM, K6QUD, and I were having breakfast when we heard a great deal of shooting, however Honolulu has much practice firing and we were not too disturbed. But in a short time our radio gave the warning that our beautiful islands were under attack. It was like a bad dream. It just didn't seem possible that such a thing could happen to us. We are still a bit hazy as to just what did happen and when a bomb landed directly across the street from our house, while we were looking toward the waterfront, viewing the fighting, I lost interest.

"K6MB and K6U did a magnificent job in informing people what to do and keeping them posted on events as they happened. They then issued a call for all Hickam men to report to the Field. Frank started out on the run but was turned back and I was certainly relieved to have him return. We warmed up the xmtr preparatory to going on the air when the order came through that we were to clear the air waves. Now K6TCW/K6QUD xmtr is doing duty in the army.

"One can certainly sympathize with his fellowmen in the warn-torn countries of Europe when attempting to sleep through the night after his first real air raid. Now we have nightly blackouts and life goes on quite normally, except for hawking which we do miss so much. The life-saver is that we are so dead tired from war work that we have to turn in by nine o'clock. I am with the 9th Signal Corps in the message center in an army fort on Oahu and have worked Saturdays, Sundays, Christmas and New Year's day but am happy to be of service to my country. Remember our motto 'QRV--I am ready' - well, I am glad that I could serve in some capacity. Being stabbed in the back makes us start thinking. Frank works even harder than I. Americans can take it and also dish it out as 'they' will learn. The flowers are lovely. The birds sing so sweetly that it is as if Nature is trying to give us hope and courage. The lovely Lunar Rainbow, which according to Hawaiian tradition, is always a promise of victory and of happy times to come, appeared in our skies at two different and important times - the nite of Dec. 7 and on Xmas eve.

"So girls, carry on with the old ham spirit. Some day I'll be seeing you all on the air again. Until then ALOHA and ...-" (Signed: HELEN)

(Helen wants to hear from the girls and is especially eager to have news of Ella, K6ROJ)

7th DISTRICT CHAIRMAN - Bea Austin

(W7HHH)

In the W7FWR shack are several transceivers for 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ meters all ready for emergency. She teaches code classes three nights a week.

K7HUT - Verma writes an interesting letter from Ugashik, Alaska. They've been doing considerable traveling but are back in Bristol Bay for a short while. Says she likes Alaska better than California. We'll tell you more about her way up there where the winds blow and blow in some other issue of YL H.

W7OXI - Marjorie moved to Oroville, Wash. Is a member of Civilian Defense Communications Dept., studying 1st Aid and planting a Victory garden.

W7IXR - Esther has a new baby daughter.

W7IHK - Jessie moved to Calif. to be near the Major. Daughter graduated in June.

W7EIU - Violet now living in Newark, N.J. where W7AUH is radio inspector.

W7HHH - Bea acts as a mechanic in hubby's bicycle shop, is studying for 2nd Class Radiophone exam and still finds time to keep house and help with Central Oregon's Radio Club's code classes.

D I S T R I C T N E W S

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8th DISTRICT CHAIRMAN - Martha Lee Meats

(W8VFL)

W8ODI - Ruth is now located in Cincinnati, O.
W8UUY - Ann visited with Leta, W9DBD, in St. Louis. Ann's working there now as a chemist but intends to return to Pa. Her 2 1/2 meter experiences were most successful. W9PFO-GOJ-OMY & DBD all gathered together for a ragchew.
W8CKH - Gertrude Roddy moved to 8508 Rosewood Ave., Bethesda, Md., 10 miles from the center of town. OM doing government work.
W8SJP - took time out from Red Cross volunteer work to lend services to the sugar rationing board in Wapakoneta, O.
W8SKZ hopes to meet more YL ops.
W8KYR moved into lovely new apartment in Buffalo. (87 Thatcher St.) Was offered radio op job in a U.S. possession but instead went to work in OM's shop. Is learning biz from ground up. Gave up her music pupils.
W8WFO has had complete charge of her employer's business (Northern Ohio Laboratories - Wholesale Radio Distributors) while he was stationed at the Great Lakes Service School as Personnel Officer and Mrs. Turmonds was visiting the Liout. Dot is attending Penn College Radio Communications course. Mil, W8PZA, is likewise attending similar classes.
W8UCY passed State Nurses Exam and has an eye toward the Navy.
W8TLY entertained W9NEX in July, W3CDQ in August and will be visited by W8UDA in August.
W8VFL has lovely new trailer.

9th DISTRICT CHAIRMAN - Marie Van Aller

(W9PFO)

W9DMT, W9JPT, W9IHL & W9DRD all student instructors at Scott Field Army Air base.
W9EFT (Esther Davis, 1006 Hugh St., Ft. Wayne, Ind.) collects knickknacks of states and countries, exchanging for value received.
W9OUD again taking over as SCH of Missouri. Has been making a rose jar and at time of writing already had 2 1/2 gallons of rose leaves, rather petals, ready for spicing. The gals. are invited to visit and have a sniff.
W9ZIH - Jimmy from St. Louis has been meeting the girls in and around Washington, D.C.
W9DRD says: "I sure like women hams." (So say we all of us - hi).
 The sudden change from so much activity as former Secy. has given her a temporary relapse.
W9ZTU is now Senior Op at WTY (Ft. Knox, Ky.)
W9JTX - Louise has joined the OM in Norfolk, Va.
W9ZWL and the OM have loaned their transmitters to the Signal Corps. She has moved to 34 Hillcrest Terrace, Rapid City, S.D.

(Girls, some of this news was deleted from letters and much of it came from former D/Cs.)

DONATIONS		DUES	
\$2.75 rec'd	From K6TCW	W9NEX	*W1NSA
.50 "	" W9NEX	W8UGY	*Louise Wilcomitzer
.50 "	" W2JZX	K6TCW	W2JZX
.50 "	" W8UGY	W8UUY	*Pauline Gantert
(Sincere thanks to all.)		W8VYU	*W1NRU
		W8SBB	(* - New Members)

(Pin ordered by K6TCW) Requests sent to the Secy. will be shown next copy of YL H.

(Send all news, change of QTH notices, dues, donations, orders for pins, etc., and ideas on changes in the Constitution to the Secy., W1FTJ.)

We have learned that one has to be sort of a feminine Brahma, with as many heads and arms, to take care of all YLRL matters and the new officers will attempt to help out each other, to avoid overtaxing one individual. YL HARMONICS will be published bi-monthly in the future, inasmuch as our financial condition has been worsening due to increased costs, etc.

LU 28 - Argentinian amateur writes that he relished the Oct. 1941 article on YLs and he hopes that the hams around Jose Ingenieros will emulate the YLRL spirit.

F L A S H !

W3CDQ sends this additional information: "If anyone is interested in teaching radio to air force men, she is requested to write

Commanding General, Air Force Technical
 Training Command,
 Knollwood Field, North Carolina.

Salary \$1820 to \$2000, depending upon your experience."

P O T P O U R R I

A belated expression of sympathy is herewith extended by YLRL'ers to W9DXX, who suffered the loss of her dear Mother. Her Dad, too, has been quite ill. Alice was also in the hospital for a short period. Alice was a former Editor of a paper with a fair circulation so it was natural for me to ask her to be Editor of our paper but, heck, she had to refuse. Since the death of her CM, she has taken charge of his business in Chicago.

W100T also refused the job as Editor and Secretary. We're going to give you a writeup on Lida in next issue for she's been a very faithful member since club's inception.

W90UD and others refused the Publicity Chairman's job. All these girls are excellent executive material and we are sorry they refused to lend their talents but other more important work had to come first.

Best wishes to W9PFO, who was Asst. to W9DRD, and to all ex-District Chairmen, who donated much time, effort, postage and money in supplying the club paper with district news. Greetings to the new D/C's. A sincere, hearty welcome too to all new members. Promptly consider yourselves one of us and introduce yourselves to the gang. We're avid for information. YLRL has been credited for stirring into action more than one YL op, and news of other members' activities has lent impetus to hastily made plans hitherto unthought of before scanning YL H pages. Let's continue to give credit to YLRL whenever we can.

W8UDA has been granted a period of grace. Here's the reason. Dot is our new V.P. She is a former Braille teacher. She's blind but so far has managed to do considerable traveling and knows her way around. Her flawless fist and pleasant voice gave many members a needed Michigan QSO. She's been in training with a Leader dog, preparatory to taking on a new job. She and the dog returned to Flint and some youngsters molested the dog. The dog developed a bad characteristic in so far as children are concerned, which hampers Dot's work. She is therefore going back into training with another dog if Ronnie's habits can not be broken. She'll take over YLRL Activities and will let you hear from her in next issue.

Written by W1HNE. Contributed by W1FTJ

The xtal mike is covered with dust,
As long neglected it stands.
My Vibroplex is going to rust
All's quiet on the Amateur bands.

Time was when we keyed a KW
And sometimes a little bit more.
But now we hold up a window
With our faithful ole 864!

Slogans: W1FTJ -- Full Time Job
W1HNE -- 1 Nice Hot Number
W2NAI -- North American Indian
W2NWX -- Nighties with Zippers
W6TCH -- Take care, Honey
W6TDL -- Tune - Dial - Listen (A most appropriate radio slogan)

Merse Anagram - TELEGRAPH - Great Help.

What parts of the human body sound like electrical attachments? *SIEMOOS
Quotable Quotes: "The persistent telegraphy of crickets." (Father Lord)
TEXAS has towns named Telegraph and Telephone.

Stone was used for telegraph poles in India before iron came into use,
Wood can not be used on account of white ants, we're told.

P O T P O U R R I - Cont'd.

From THE ELECTRICAL ENGINEER, Dec. 1915:

"GIRL RADIO OPERATORS - No girls have as yet qualified as licensed radio operators in this country, altho it is stated unofficially that hundreds of girls are transmitting messages in amateur stations controlled by their licensed brothers. (B/L's??) Many French girls have qualified as wireless operators, and are now in active service in the war zone."

(27 years later - Take a look at YLRL roster. -- Yearly membership list will be out soon.)

LEARNING THE RADIOTELEGRAPH CODE, authored by John Huntoon, Acting Communications Mgr. of ARRL, and is designed to fill the need for a guide to the student of radiotelegraph code. Excellent for training classes or individual study. (From 7/30/42 bulletin of the ARRL.)

Dear Members,

I realize my copy isn't the best and that I haven't indulged in any art work for this issue but I promise an entirely different set-up in YL H next issue. From a lady of leisure, with time on my hands, I changed over night into a gal doing defense work, working on technical articles and instruction books for the Navy use of our radio equipment. The light in my office is bad for the close work involved - reading copy, etc. - - and when I'd get home late via street car, rapid transit and bus, I had very little time left to embellish this paper as I'd like. I've even typed up these stencils without preparing copy as any sane person would. I do enjoy this sort of thing but it has been ten years since I published a lil theatrical paper and I'd almost forgotten how to cut stencils and run the mimeograph machine. The danged machine is giving me an "orful" headache and I may be forced to run these off on another machine until our own YLRL Duplicator is checked and serviced. I had hoped to get instructions from local representative but no such luck for the time being. Bear with me until next time and perhaps I will have mastered the old machine's stubbornness.

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WETAY, Anita Bien, President.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Date _____ Date rec'd by Secy. _____

I hereby make application for membership in the YLRL and I enclose 50¢ for one year's dues. I am willing to abide by the constitution and by-laws and such rules as shall from time to time be promulgated by the club. I am a regularly licensed feminine radio operator (amateur) and my license expires. _____

I am _____ am not _____ a member of ARRL.

Name of applicant _____ QTH _____

Call _____ Endorsed by _____

This may be used for reinstatement, if you are a former member, or for a continuation of your dues, if they are about to expire. Kindly indicate status to Secy., WFTJ, Dot Evans, Box 312, Concord, N.H., to facilitate record handling.

If an old member, second endorsement will not be necessary.

LIDA KING - WIGQT

HOLYOKE, MASS.



WIGQT

(XYL of WIEVZ - Jim)

This quiet-spoken, serious-thinking girl, has been a mainstay of the 1st District since YLRL first suffered its growing pains. Lida is a Charter member and faithful ex-D/C. She has been a nominee for the Vice-Presidency on several occasions. Is a CW "hound" but has talked occasionally on 160 fono. Was one of the highest scorers in several YLRL contests.

She is pretty with lovely blue eyes and naturally curly brown hair. And has a nice "figger" but maybe it's that biking. Doesn't talk much about herself but encourages one to speak of himself. Is sympathetic. Devotes her time to making her OM happy. Is athletic and likes to garden. Rides her bicycle quite a bit. Has a keen sense of humor. Is a good cook and makes excellent cookies. (Gosh, the Ed. can't seem to find anything wrong with her - hi.) After high school, she went into hospital training. Jim was one of her patients. He seems to have discovered her talents at an early stage. Lida caught the radio bug from him. He is also a licensed amateur and aviator, but he's in the service now.

W9DBD

Had a writup on Lots prepared but held it up awaiting pix from Olson studio however they haven't arrived as yet. Will give them to readers when they DO come. By the way, if anyone knows where I can obtain small pix such as Olson gives, pse let me know. These are 100 for 25¢. Officers want to donate their pix for Anni Issue but we are not so sure we'd get them in time - hi.

Will also give you a writup in future on W9KSA - Harryette - to whom I'm indebted for considerable help in getting out this issue of YL H. She is downstairs running off stencils as fast as I got them typed and has been doing it for several Sundays. This is the fourth week-end she has devoted to services of "love", shall I call it? She's in the city, studying at Fern College for Signal Corps job as Under Engineer Trainee and I'm grateful they sent her here from Missouri. She "did" the front cover and a few of the other sketches. Boy, you work for a meal around here. Too bad! I've promised her a "party" tho after this issue gets off the press and will try to corral all Cleveland gals for a chatter party. W9KSA brought her 2 1/2 mter Transceiver (TR-4 Abbott) and her communications receiver like any good ham would.

W8JIW - The energetic Howy has worked and QSL'd 43 YLs toward his W-YL-AS, he says. Mighty good going.

LILLIAN RUOCCO - LSPH

Lillian is one of recent grads of the AWVS in NYC, tnx to W2NAZ, who made possible the "en masse" membership of most of the new members shown on another page. A hearty welcome to these new members. (W9DBD states St. Louis has just graduated a class so perhaps they intend to give these other girls some competition in joining YLRL.)

Lillian is 2nd Dist. Secy. of the local YLRL club and is now a teacher herself at AWVS in the Bronx and Washington Heights. She is a shining example of courage and fortitude proving the victors in a struggle against almost insurmountable odds. When she was two years old, she was the victim of double pneumonia. In those days, the method of curing such illness by tapping was unknown. Three ribs and the left lung were sacrificed as a result of an operation. Later it was felt another operation was necessary but her parents clutched her closely and refused. One can scarcely blame them. Lillian came thru victorious tho given up as a hopeless case. She's married and enjoys the hobbies of radio, art, novelty work and teaching. Our hats are off to this plucky gal, just under 5' tall and under 100#. She certainly has what it takes.

C O D E N O T E S

by
Letha Allendorf - WFOUD

SEM of Missouri for the AARR - SWIT WILL

According to my theory, the system of using flash cards is impractical, because it requires learning to recognize the letter by sight as well as sound - - - and the sound is all that is required unless you copy from those tapes, which is another process entirely.

Here is a very simple and effective method of presenting code to the un-initiated. On the blackboard, if possible, or a large piece of paper, put these characters and their equivalents in dit and dah - - - - - qjwuhvfrtgb. (These are the first characters you learn in typing, beginning those for the first fingers.) Then say the characters for the students - - - "q" - - dah; dah; "j" dit dah dah dah, etc., saying the dit dah crisply with a swing, not just divided syllables. Think when you say them of how they are sent - - - - - not dah - - - dah, but da' da, di da da da, etc., etc.

Let the student sit and absorb the written letters, saying them to himself over and over as you have done, for ten minutes or longer until he has them memorized in their visual form and sound form as made by himself. Then send them over and over, saying the letter as you send it. Don't send it too slowly, dragging the characters out too long. After a while, let him try to write the letters as they are sent. Don't expect too much the first time. In some cases it helps to let the student take the key and make the letters himself as the motor memory helps the auditory sense and is itself a part of operating. Don't present the letters in the lines and dots. When you write them on the board for the first time, write them the way they sound, not the way they look in the list.

Review and add the second finger letters - - - - - kiode - - - - - . Third lesson: third finger letters - - - - - lowax - - - - - and finally, then, the numbers - - - - - can be presented at one lesson as they are simple to learn, the notes so simple to recognize at first. Punctuation must be included in the lessons either in with the letters or at the end. In presenting this method, the letters have no fixed relationship to each other as they would if the straight alphabetical form was used. I use the typewriter division merely as it is a standard system and is easy to follow without using a chart. Any other division is, of course, ok. Some teachers prefer grouping the similar letters - - - - - e, i, s, h, 5, a - - - - - or a, w, j, 4, 7, er n, d, b, and 3.

I was taught it was best to put down a mark at least, even if the letter sent was not recognized so that your hand will learn to work in coordination with the timing of the code sent. A straight line or dot will suffice.

Another idea which can be incorporated - - - - - when the oscillator is not handy and you want to practice; say, something to substitute for flash cards, use either the letter form or the dit dah method and let the student say the other. Or whistle the characters, if you can.

Of course, I have in mind presenting the code sounds at a rapid speed with more spacing between letters rather than the teaching of slow drawn-out characters. I'd say, send the separate letter forms at what would approximate 10 wpm but make the intervening spaces much longer. In that manner the true character form will be impressed in one's mind.

33 de Letha

Two sentences for practice that contain all the letters of the alphabet:
THE SLY BROWN FOX JUMPS QUICKLY OVER THE LAZY DOG.
THE QUICK BROWN FOX JUMPS OVER THE LAZY DOG.

I had a Bible verse too (but mislaid it) that contained all but one letter of the alphabet. I thought it would be nice for those who practice the Biblical System of typing: "Seek and ye shall find"