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Election Results

In our regular annual election, the following officers were re-elected for the coming year:

President: Ethel Smith, W7FWB

Vice President: Carol Keating, W9WWP

A letter from our President:

Gee, girls, I'm sure glad to be President of the YLRL again. I appreciate your "vote of confidence", and promise to try very hard to be a better president this year.

I want to thank every member for her fine cooperation during this first few months, and to extend a special vote of thanks to the district chairmen for their work, and to Carol for her fine assistance.

It's hard to express my gratitude to Enid. She has been the backbone, the brains, the motive power--- in other words, she has been "the works". But, heck, you all know that. I just hope, Enid, that some day I'll have an opportunity to show my appreciation.

We have come a long way in the past few months, and with the grand spirit you girls have shown, we can be confident of accomplishing a lot more in the coming year.

Ethel, W7FWB

And a word from the Vice President:

May I extend my sincere and hearty thanks to all the gals for my re-election to the Vice Presidency of the YLRL. I sincerely hope that I'll be able to fulfill all my duties as satisfactorily as all YLRL'ers wish, because I intend to be in there plugging to the best of my ability, to keep our organization right out on top. Re-election to this office is both an honor and a privilege.

Carol, W9WWP

A.R.R.L. Affiliation

"It gives me great pleasure to advise you that at the meeting of the A.R.R.L. Board just held, the application of your club for affiliation with the A.R.R.L. was formally presented and your club declared a duly affiliated society. A charter will be sent you as soon as it can be prepared. I know that our respective organizations will always find much of benefit in each other's strength and progress.

Sincerely,- F.E. Handy, Communications Manager, A.R.R.L."

Board Meeting Highlights

Official ARRL message, Hartford, Conn. June 1, 1940. To all Radio Amateurs: The board of directors in annual session voted that the ARRL President as a committee of one be given extraordinary powers to act in any manner necessary for the defense of amateur frequencies in any emergency situation arising to threaten restriction of amateur radio.

It was voted that the League management offer the government the whole facility of amateur radio, also voted that the league officers inaugurate a campaign to stress the importance of code proficiency and encourage general high attainment of code operator ability. The board adopted the text of an understanding looking to closer collaboration with the Red Cross in rendering radio communication service in the public interest in times of flood, hurricane, or other relief disaster.

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## Board Meeting Highlights, Cont.

A poll will be taken in August QST of amateur sentiment on expanding amateur radiotelephone allocations to 3800/4000 and 14000/14200 kcs.

The directors elected G.W. Bailey, W1KH, as League President, and Charles E. Blalack, W6GG, Vice president. The board voted to create a membership committee to study extension of League membership. A finance committee consisting of directors Reid, Blalack, and Hill was set up to supervise the financial affairs of the League and five hundred dollars was appropriated.

The directors moved to request F.C.C. to eliminate the log signing requirement for phone visitors, also to request F.C.C. to establish additional examining points for each state to correct abuse of the Class C license.

The board appropriated five hundred dollars continuing the authorization making possible travel and attendance of mainland section communications managers and the QSL managers at one official divisional convention annually under certain restrictions.

It was voted that a special endeavor be made to improve relations with Latin American amateur radio. The board's planning committee examining amateur frequency band utilization was extended for coming year and thanked for recent studies. Plans were directed at the holding of another national ARRL convention in the autumn of next year, 1941, in Chicago.

### F.C.C. PROHIBITS FOREIGN CONTACTS BY AMATEURS

Official ARRL message. West Hartford, Conn. June 4, 1940. To all Radio Amateurs: The Federal Communications Commission today adopted Order Number 72 effective immediately. This Order provides that amateur radio operators and stations licensed by the F.C.C. shall not exchange communications with operators or stations of any foreign government or located in any foreign country. Violation of this order is subject on conviction to the penalties provided by law.

It is not intended to prohibit communication between amateurs in the continental United States and U.S. citizens authorized to operate amateur stations in the territories and possessions of the United States. It does not prohibit work between amateurs in the different territories. In the Philippine Islands and Canal Zone, only U.S. citizens authorized to operate amateur stations may be contacted. The F.C.C. Order prohibits any contacts between F.C.C. amateur licensees and stations in any foreign countries and is effective immediately.

### F.C.C. ORDER PROHIBITING PORTABLE OPERATION

The blanket prohibition of portable and portable-mobile radio station operation by licensed amateur operators and stations, is now subject to the following exceptions, and restrictions, to permit continuance of important amateur services to the nation:

(1) Provided notice of proposed operation has been filed with the proper F.C.C. office 48 hours in advance, the testing of self-powered portable and portable-mobile emergency equipment in daylight hours on Saturdays and Sundays, is permitted.

(2) Work by stations of amateurs supplying, or attempting to supply, communication in the public interest, in a bona fide domestic communications emergency, is permitted.

(3) Exception is specifically made for stations participating in the A.R.R.L. Annual Field Day June 22nd and 23rd.

(4) Operation on frequencies allocated to amateurs "above 56,000 kc." is permitted unrestricted, seven days per week.

(5) F.C.C. now interprets its orders to permit amateurs who change residence, and move fixed equipment to continue to operate using (portable designation) privileges as provided in Sec. 12.93 (152.13) which remains in full effect.

The League finds the situation such, that in addition to the above (and F.C.C. Order No. 72 prohibiting radio communication with any foreign amateur or foreign country) and the 7-point A.R.R.L. Neutrality Precautions, A.R.R.L. now strongly urges and recommends that:

All radiotelephone amateurs deny use of their microphones to anyone except members of the immediate family or other licensed amateurs who at the time are in possession of their F.C.C. licenses.

F.E. Handy, W1BDI/W1AW, Communications Mgr.

W2USA- QRG 7224 kc. Tfc periods: 1400 to 1700 and 1900 to 2200 EDST  
(2:00 to 5:00 and 7:00 to 10:00 pm EDST)

On May 11th, 1940, W2USA was opened in a somewhat unique manner, by the President of ARRL, Mr. E.C. Woodruff, from the Hudson Division Convention at Newark, N.J. The managing director of W2USA, Mr. Arthur Lynch "went way up in the air" on this occasion, to wit, around 6,000 feet, where he operated his amateur station W2DKJ as PMA (portable mobile aircraft) in a heavy rain and thunderstorm. Art maintained contact with the convention and W2USA all the time with his 5 mtr rig until the storm forced them to "come down to earth again". Doc/2BW, Mr. A.L. Walsh - president of W2USA Radio Club, Inc. was master of ceremonies at the World's Fair station, and after due opening, Art called for Nils/2L3D and delivered him a msg from the Honorable F.H. LaGuardie, Mayor of the City of New York, which was to be transmitted over the PARTY TRAFFIC SYSTEM to the Excellencies, the Governors of all the states in the United States and its possessions. Msg nr 1, addressed to THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, WHITE HOUSE, WASHINGTON, D.C., from the Mayor of the City of New York, was entrusted to the able representative of the V.L.R.L., Eleanor/2NWY.

(The above paragraph was taken from the May 20 issue of ETHERNETS, the FTS Bulletin.)

It has been reported that W2USA would like to receive QSL cards from VL operators, whether they have contacted W2USA or not. These are to be displayed, and a special "spot" has been set aside for LRL cards. Send our card to Radio Station W2USA, New York World's Fair, New York City, so that the LRL will be well represented.

Some joint activity with the FTS is being planned by the 40 meter net, for VLRL members who operate on 40 meters. This will take place sometime in August, and details will be in July L HARMONICS.

#### DUES

Received since last publication: For one year: 9EVT, 9MSU, 9UTO, BUGV, 9ZTJ, 60EJ, 9CAI, 8UEZ, 9PHK, 4GIW, 1KOH, 8ROP, 9DXX. Two years: 1MDW. Four years: 1GQT, 2HXQ.

#### DONATIONS

Received since last publication: 8UGV, 75¢; 5IKC \$1.60; 9ZTJ 25¢; 60EJ 12¢; VE4AFT 10¢; 1FTJ 12¢; 1KOH 75¢; 8ROP 70¢. 9ZTU donated a ream of typewriter paper (and the 40¢ postage on it!)

#### Personalities. Verna/K7HUT

"Our big rig (75 watts input, h11) is out of order. The rig itself isn't, but we were running it with power packs and they burnt out about two weeks after we got them. So then the OM built up a little rig, using two 6L6's in parallel in a Jones oscillator with only 225 volts on the plates, using B batteries. We were working loss of W9's on twenty during the day before the packs went hay-wire but we seem to be doing all right with this little rig. Have worked several V6's and V7's and plenty K7's but it may be due to antenna which is 260 ft long, end fed, and 40 ft high.

"During the winter we live up at the Lake at our trapping cabin and in summer live at the village of Ugashik. Our nearest neighbor is about ten miles away, but we have a dog team and when the going is good we can have lots of fun. Dog-teaming is over for this year, tho.

"There is a salmon cannery at Ugashik where the OM fishes in summer. The country around here is very flat. Flats for miles, and no trees, only small alders and now and then a cotton-wood patch. The mountains look awfully close but they are miles away. Natives and Eskimos make up the greater part of the population. There is one other white woman besides me in Ugashik and there are only about 25 or 30 people altogether.

"We have been here about 4 1/2 years. I was back to Seattle 2 1/2 yrs ago for a visit with my folks. I got my call last fall. The OM's call is K7HAI. The fur we get up here is mink, red fox, otter, and now and then a cross fox.

"We are in the Bristol Bay, Bering Sea district and about 400 miles southwest from Anchorage. The wind blows a gale here most of the time. We have a wind-charger and it sure goes to town. Every time we have an extra hard wind the first thing we think of is our antenna poles, cause we had a hard time getting them up, just the two of us.

"The lake we're on is about 20 miles long, I would say, and boy does it get rough! Just like the ocean when a big blow comes up. Most of the travelling by water is in sail boats and I hate them. I don't like any boats for that matter, but I like sail boats even less." -- Verna.

A U S W  
C H A T T E R

1st district W1GQT Chairman

GQT, Lida: "We took Eleanore, 2MWY, back home one Saturday and stayed at her home over night. Had a grand time next day seeing the sights in the big city. Took movies of those two big ships, the Queen Elizabeth and the Normandie."

KEP, Gene, has a new Sky Buddy at the home shack. She plays the organ at church, and is in charge of the choir. Gene just put on a very successful minstrel show.

FRO, Alice, is trying to get new members from Eastern Mass. She wants the girls on 40 meters to look for her on 7032 kcs each night between 7:00 and 9:00 pm EDST. Alice just purchased a 12 foot open runabout boat with a 28 horse Speeditwin Evinrude motor. She would like to hear from any VLS interested in outboard racing.

PTJ, Dot's hubby (1BFT) is an ensign in the Naval Reserve. Dot is trying to get new members from Maine and N.H. She got her WAS certificate. Her brother (1BII) is on 2 1/2 meters.

KUI, Ellen, has been busy in her flower garden.

LBO has also been qrl in her flower garden. Her OM raises mink for a hobby. Lucy has done quite a bit of traffic handling on the American Emergency Net on 5 meters.

KOH and family just got back to Maine from the south. Flo is the mother of 1GOJ, Pete Swasey. Pete is a top-notch traffic man, devoting a great deal of his time to this work.

LJZ, Marian, has joined the AARS. Likes fishing. She sent the following poem in a letter to Lida:

I like letters in the mail  
Sent from friends by air or rail.  
I think I'll answer right away,  
Then put it off from day to day.  
First thing I know a year's gone by,  
My friends don't write. I wonder why?

2nd district W2IXY Chairman

IXY, Dorothy: "Due to the new FCC regulations regarding foreign contact, the inauguration of the DX Column will be postponed indefinitely. The following DX had already been reported: W9OWQ reports KALDM, a YL, Dot Miller (14340 kcs cw). Between 10 and 11:30 pm CST W9OWQ hears KE6SRA, Johnston Island; KP6JEG, Canton Island; JSCN. W2IXY worked KG6MV, Palmyra Island; KP6JEG, Canton, on phone. The band (20 meter phone) has been very erratic, and KC4USA or KC4USC have not been heard since May 16th. Who would like some 5 meter DX tests?"

NAZ, Lenore (ex9CHD): "I now have my new call, W2NAZ. I'm so glad they didn't stick an "i" on the end of it! I've been very busy with my professional work and seeing all the Television shows on my rcvr, learning photography, establishing our home, and seeing New York with my folks who drove all the way from Hollywood to visit us."

MIY, Dot: "Helped operate with the Albany Radio Club on the Albany-NYC motor boat races. A lot of fun and good experience. 1MDW and I sked almost daily, and through her I have met 1MDV."

HXQ, Kay, is battling by correspondence for Women's Checker Crown with Gertrude Huntley of Minn., who took the Women's World Championship title at Flint, Mich., last summer. Kay is also Secretary and Station Trustee of W2USA and extends an invitation to licensed ops to act as operators and receptionists if they plan to visit the World's Fair. She is married to W2EOA and they both operate on all bands.

3rd district W3FXZ Chairman

FXZ, Mary: "Very busy these days, and will be away most of the summer, and since portable is out I won't be on the air much. I met HVO in person, and Polly is a sweet gal."

BAK, Jean: "Last summer I spent about 5 weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Candlor in Asheville, N.C., where I entered a code copying contest and won another cup in the thirty wpm class. From there I came home for a couple of days; then went to Lake Spofford, N.H., where I operated W1KMN at the girls' camp for several weeks. I am fifteen years old now and have been a ham since April 1933. W3BAK is my father's station. My brother Roland has a station, W3AXD, at the Penna. Military College."

IHA, Dorothy, and Jean are sisters. Dorothy has her radio station in her kitchen, and keeps daily skeds with the folks at home.

AKS, Fran, is busy with traffic, tennis, and putting an additional wallop to her rig, besides holding down her job at RCA in Camden, N.J.

4th district. No report received.

GIW, Bernice, is a new member. Her husband, 4BMH, works for the CAA. He is principal maintenance electrician to keep up Airways Stations.

9th district W9WWP Temporary Chairman

WNP, Carol: "I note with interest that W3BAK,-- who is supposed to be one of the youngest hams ever to get a ticket, I believe,-- is now a member. I remember when I first looked at some of my Dad's QSTs, preparatory to getting a ticket, that she was always my ideal."

QUD, Lotha: "I entered the closing contest of the season (AARS) and made a magnificent score of 102 points--34 contacts. Hi! Not very good for anybody's money, but so it was. Was a good contest, too, and QRN was only S8 most of the time. The traffic season is closing now and I was expecting to close skeds, but find I have a job on my hands again. Due to the increase of enlistments in the Army and Navy necessitated by increase in number of men being sent to our possessions, the traffic across the ocean is increasing rapidly and someone must take it and help distribute it. Knowing how much the folks at home appreciate little notes from the boys over there, I couldn't refuse."

ZTU, Mickey: "Won't more of you gals cooperate with us on the 40 meter net, so we can really make a splash against all the OMs we have to contend with. Get on 7220 kcs. Tuesdays at 10:00 pm CST and Fridays at 3:30 pm CST, and we will have a real net.... I handled 733 messages in 24 days, while the boys were on maneuvers in Texas. You can imagine how much time I had left to clean house and cook meals, let alone trying to keep up my regular ham work. I will work the boys again when they go to Northern Wisconsin this July or early August. Incidentally, Mamie, OWQ, helped me get in the RCC through our VLRL net sked."

NLW, Jean: "During the summer my address will again be Troy, Ill. I expect to be active on 7170, 7112, and 1805 kcs. I hope I'll meet more VLRL members than ever before."

LDN, Mary(9JJZ): "I have received my own station call now, W9LDN. I am the first YL operator in Muncie and I am very proud of my call. Have been on 160 phone, and will be on 40 meter cw."

UTO, Mary: "Think I am the first Ky. YL and first YL op in greater Cincinnati. I have had a ticket since June 1935."

JWL, Gertrude: "I'll look for the 80 meter cw net as soon as my 80 meter rig is completed. Would like to contact YLs on 160 meters."

NBX, Enid, has been appointed ~~MEMBER~~ NCS for North Dakota for the summer AARS cw net.

10th district, Canadian

cxVE4AFT, Gladys, (at Dartmouth, Nova Scotia): "I was married May 13th and it rained all day. However, the OM's gang gave us the largest reception to date. I was very pleased to think they would do a thing like that when I had never seen any of them before. I'd like to see any hams who happen to be this way. I am now 3000 miles from home, but my brother is here in the Navy."

'33 (Thirty-three) meaning: "Love sealed with friendship between one YL and another YL."-- Originator, W8KYR. So many times our friendships call for more than a 73 in closing, even if we have never met the other YL operator. Suppose we adopt Clara's "33" for exclusive YL use.

RADIO NEWS

Beginning soon, the YLRL will have a regular monthly column, captioned "YLRL News", in the magazine RADIO NEWS. There will also be pictures of YLRL members. Watch for them.

More Slogans

- W8UHB- Ur Happy Baby
- W9WWP- Wet Wash Princess
- W7HDS- HowDy Stranger
- W6QOG- 6 Quarts Of Gin
- W4GIW- Gosh I Wonder

New Members

W1KOH	Flo	Falmouth Foreside, Maine	
W1NDW	Frances	East Greenwich, R.I.	
W2HXQ	Kay	Rye, N.Y.	all bands
W4GIW	Bernice	Tallahassee, Fla.	
W6OEJ	Louise	North Hollywood, Cal.	40, 80 cw
W8ROP	Ruth	Erie, Pa.	
W8UEZ	Virginia	Hillsboro, Ohio	160 fone
W8UGY	Bernice	Amsterdam, N.Y.	160 fone, 80 cw
W9CAI	Esther	St. Paul, Minn.	10 and 75 fone
W9DXX	Alice	Homewood, Ill.	
W9EVT	Caroline	Colorado Springs, Colo.	10 fone
W9FHK	Agnes	St. Louis, Mo.	
W9MSW	Nell	St. Paul, Minn.	10' fone
W9UTO	Mary	W. Covington, Ky.	20, 40, 80 cw
W9ZTJ	Marge	Duquoin, Ill.	160 and 20 fone

Remember, the emblem contest closes June 30th. 33,-- The Secretary.

5th district. No report received.

6th district W6RGX Chairman

RGX, Peggy: "Was interviewed on KMPC (Columbia) on ham radio. Gave the VLRL a nice plug and got a flock of cards from OM's wanting to know about the club. The OM, Cap, won't speak to me 'cause I turned traitor and went on Columbia. I was invited to attend the "Associated Radio Amateurs of Long Beach" and gave a talk on the VLRL. Was asked to take over the VL activities for the Southwestern Division Convention which will be held over Labor Day week-end at Long Beach. Hope we'll see a bunch of you gals there. Was also voted into the Club, and the Association now has its first VL. We're going back to New Jersey for the months of June and July and we'll be looking up some of you 2's." RIJ reports working J2CM, an XYL - also a FD6 and a KAL. Eva's rig is 6L6 xtal osc. - 21c amps with about 25 watts input. She is a farmerette and does most of her hamming between 4 and 6 am. Eva has quite a collection of hobbies, - singing, playing tenor guitar and banjo, or as Eva says, "anything with strings on it", collecting coins, picture post-cards, needlework, and all out-door sports. Eva is quite a hunter and rates right along with the best. She has bagged a deer every year since she has been eligible to carry a gun - 3 years, to be exact. Last year while on her hunting trip she operated portable rig and says she plans to do the same this year. We'll be down for a venison dinner Eva! She is at present vice pres. of the "Radio Club of Arizona" and is acting as pres. She's only VL in the club. Eva was very active in putting over a grand hamfest in Phoenix April 19, 20, and 21. Eva says the shack is always open to all hams, so "don't drive past, drop in".

We'll be welcoming SOH into the club soon. Helen is the newest ham in Phoenix and operates on 10 meter phone.

7th district W7FUB Chairmen

FUB, Ethel: "I've been keeping myself busy with the local radio club here. They elected me President. I had an opportunity to meet Violet, VEIU, at the Yakima hamfest, and found her one swell person.

HHH has been invited to write a page of VL news for United Radio's monthly paper, and she did a swell job of it last month. Bea has attended three United Radio luncheons and the Salem convention. (We hear she ~~xxx~~ won an 866-- which is now in the OM's rig!)

FWR, Mary, was also at the Salem convention, and won the CW contest.

GUG, Betty: "I've been so busy with my garden, but I will try to be on Thursday nights to meet some of you girls on the 80 meter net. The rig here runs about 90 watts input to a pair of 6L6s."

FTX, Clarice: "How about seeing some of you VLs at our Glacier Park hamfest. It is at Two Medicine Lake, July 20 and 21. We have a good get-together and lots of fun. There were about 150 there last year, and only four VL operators."

8th district W8PZA Temporary Chairman

PZA, Mil: "Our 8th district net now meets on 7220 kcs. We will start drill at 9:00 pm EST, every Tuesday. Of course, girls wishing to report in from other districts will be given a hardy welcome. We will try to have someone on every night at that time. Our June meeting of the Cleveland VLRL Club meets June 18th. We hope to have good attendance so there can be round-table discussion of future club activities. It will meet at my home, 10538 Dupont."

TAY, Nita, is writing an article on VLs in the Signal Corps of the U.S. Army, for a N.Y. publishing company.

CKH, Gertrude, will be in Cleveland during the summer months, attending summer school.

NCJ, Beth, has been elected to the A-1 Op Club. Beth has been sick, and has been ordered on a vacation to absorb sunshine all summer, so she is dropping all her skeds.

PZA, Mil: "We have moved, just three houses from the old address. Have a nice big room for the shack, -- and a bigger one right beside it which we are making into a game room."

UGY, Bernice: "The Amsterdam OM's are getting quite a kick out of my joining the VLRL. We have a club here with a membership of about fifty, not including the XYLs. There are 29 OM ops and 1 VL op, and the rest are beginners who are interested in getting tickets."

TPZ, Marie: "Spent all one Sunday with Virginia, BUEZ. She lives on a farm; has chickens, pigs, cows, sheep, etc. It's a grand place, and can she cook! Oh boy! Chicken and all the trimmings. We had a grand time, and hope she will return the visit this winter...will let the 160 meter net rest until September, and then get it going. I am able to talk to a few VLs now and then, but the band isn't good enough for skeds."

The following was respectfully (?) submitted by an interested OM, to be included in our list of abbreviations: OBA-- Old Battle Ax.