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CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES TO OUR NEW OFFICERS OF YLRL FOR 1947 - 48.

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Dear YL's:

Thanks to each of you for your splendid cooperation and fine letters during my term of office. My most sincere thanks to the other officers for a job well done. I want to take this opportunity to thank W6UXF Enid and W6NAZ Lenore, for the time and effort they so graciously gave when we needed them.

A hearty welcome to the new officers and my very best wishes for the continued success of YLRL.

VY 33

Lou Lacy W5IKG

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Dear YL's:

Just a note to express my thanks to everyone for the help and cooperation you have given me.

VY 33

Louis Baker W9JTX

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To the officers and members:

Many thanks for the FB cooperation give me during my term as secretary.

VY 33

Helen Cook W6MWO

HIGGINS-WOODWARD TORNADO DISASTER

FB WORK DONE BY W5HYF JEAN DOSS AND OTHER AMATEURS FROM AMARILLO, TEXAS. (Report of W5HF - W5HYF).

First contact was established 10:10 A.M. Thursday April 10th on ten meters between portable-mobile W5HYF in a car driving to the disaster area and in contact with W5HYT, Amarillo, and W5WX, also of Amarillo, and W4JTF, in Miami, acting as relay stations. These contacts were held continuously for 7½ hours. Upon arrival in Miami, Texas, we were able to get a partial list of casualties in Higgins and relayed through W4JTF to W5WX and W5HYT in Amarillo. W5AVM and W5IAN who were standing by prepared to leave Amarillo with 75-meter equipment were notified to do so. We arrived in Higgins about 2 P.M. and obtained from ARC a list of all known fatalities and relayed back to Amarillo. A few minutes later W5IZW, W5JZB, and W5LIZ arrived in Higgins with 75-meter equipment ready to go on the air. We left immediately for Woodward arriving about 4:30 P.M. where we found a complete state of confusion. There was also another portable-mobile W5LTM (signed), W5LGU and W5KXE following us and arriving about the same time. We started immediately putting out all information that could be obtained as to the welfare of persons who had been inquired about while enroute. At this point we want to commend W4JTF who stayed on the air continuously for 7½ hours operating with no relief relaying messages back to Amarillo through W5WX and W5HYT and helped tremendously in clearing the emergency frequency of all interference.

Upon arrival in Woodward the car generator on mobile W5HYF ceased operating and the batteries had to be used without means of charging, at that time we relayed back for W5HCR of Phillips to leave for Woodward and bring along a generator, and he arrived in Woodward about 10 P.M. He also had a mobile installation in his car. Throughout Thursday night the three mobiles were used in checking all emergency hospitals finding out who were the injured persons. W5AVM and W5IAN in the meantime were operating the 75-meter band in Higgins, but were needed badly in Woodward, so at about 1:30 A.M. W5HYF drove back to Higgins and had them bring the equipment to Woodward and went on the air at 6 A.M. Friday, and immediately started operation with the Oklahoma emergency net, clearing traffic. In the meantime there were several operators with equipment from other points in Oklahoma arrived and set up operation on 75 meters and 40 meters.

Contact was established again with W4JTF the morning of April 11th and many messages were given to him throughout the entire day. W5HYF, W5AVM and W5IAN returned to Amarillo Friday night to secure additional equipment and returned to Woodward Saturday with both 10 and 75 meter gear. Because of conditions of the 10-meter band, no contacts could be made by W5HF who had taken ten-meter gear but W5AVM contacted the Oklahoma Emergency Net and operated until midnite Monday nite when the emergency as far as communications, were declared over. The OPS who assisted W5AVM were W5HF, W5HYF, W5CYX, W5LGU, W5KXE, and W5KYD.

Article in July issue of QST.

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The following article came to us from W2WOS, whose OM works at a radio station which has a program everyday from 6:30-6:45 P.M. called "Journal of the Air", and each day they feature someone on the program as the "Citizen of the Day". May 22 they featured Lucille Sweet as their "Citizen of the Day".

Sightless Lucille Sweet of the reel manufacturing department Kodak Park, who after four years of arduous study in radio theory won her amateur license to become the only blind woman ham radio operator in the United States. Now she's singing the praises of air wave exploration as an exciting hobby for blinded war veterans. Lucille Sweet scored her first triumph as a radio operator last September when she received her class B license after long study under the guidance of her friend Leo B. Enright. We at WHEC feel proud of these accomplishments because Leo Enright is a member of the WHEC engineering staff. 23 year old Lucille admits that there were times when she almost lost faith in her ability to learn, so difficult were some of the technical phases of her education. But teacher Enright came to her

rescue, and by ingeniously stringing wire over cardboard she was able to follow his descriptions of the circuit theory charts. Recently when Lucille's 100 watt transmitter was set up in her house she immediately contacted amateurs in Texas, Nebraska, Colorado, Arkansas and even an operator on a boat in the Gulf of Mexico. She is particularly anxious to begin logging European stations and has already enjoyed conversations with foreign points. Somehow, Lucille also finds time to take lessons in tap dancing and maintains that it's just the thing to offset those long evening hours at the mike. Lucille Sweet has been a machine operator at Kodak Park for over three years and thoroughly enjoys her work. In her personal dictionary there is no such words such as "Handicap" and the tremendous scope of her activities in spite of her blindness proves her point immediately, so to the only blind woman amateur radio operator in the United States goes congratulations from the Rochester Savings Bank and their salute to Lucille Sweet as Rochester's citizen of the day.

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Correction on the article above in the use of the word only.

Another very active ham radio operator is, W8UDA Dorothy Ann Willett, Flint, Mich. who became a member of YLRL in 1940. Dot sings the praises of Ham Radio too, having had many contacts and like Lucille does not find the word "Handicap" in her dictionary. Dot is a very efficient C.W. operator working 40 and 80M C.W. In the past Dot has held the office of Vice President which is in charge of club activities and as District Chairman whose duties are to collect news from club members in her district.

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RESULTS OF YLRL CONTESTS
"NEWS CONTEST"

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>WINNER</u>	<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>WINNER</u>
1st. District	W1MCW	6th District	W6UXF
2nd. "	W2RUF	7th. "	W7JFB
3rd. "	W3CDQ	8th. "	W8WUT
4th. "	W4GUZ	9th. (only entered 1 mo.)	
5th. "	W5FJW	Ø	WØUD

"YLRL ANNIVERSARY CONTEST"

		Score
FIRST PRIZE	W1FTJ Dot Evans	17, 146
Second Prize	W1MCW Lou Littlefield	6, 346
	W3JSH Dot Wickenhiser	1, 348
	W2OWL Ruth Seigelman	79

Stationery awards to first and second place in YLRL anniversary contest and tokens of appreciation to other two scores received, YLRL emblem attached to key chain.

Very sorry, girls, that we were unable to bring you the results of these contests before now and our sincere thanks to you for having been so patient.

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Seems in the last mailing of HARMONICS, some copies played along the way, were mis-routed to you by the P.O. or held up in some other way. In mailing HARMONICS, all copies are mailed at the same time and as 3rd Class mail (in U.S.A.) Once these copies are in the mail it is beyond us to know what happens to them. If any changes in your QTH, you should notify the Sec'y immediately. New Members do not receive a copy of HARMONICS the month they become a member, but the following month. If you became a member in July, you will receive your first copy in August, etc. We are sorry when these things happen but have no control over them, and appreciate your letting us know about not receiving them as quickly as possible.

75-METER YLRL NET MEETS EACH TUESDAY MORNING AT 4:45 A.M.

YLRL FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR MAY, 1947
BY SECRETARY W6MWO

BALANCE OF YLRL GENERAL FUND:	\$321.10	EXPENDITURES:	
DUES:		POSTAGE - W6MWO	.90
Renewals	3.75	Bank Service Chg.	<u>.47</u>
New Members	3.00		1.37
Donations	1.25		<u>329.08</u>
Pins Sold	<u>1.35</u>		\$330.45
			<u>9.35</u>
			\$330.45
			<u>1.37</u>
Expenditures			\$329.08
BALANCE OF YLRL GENERAL FUND:	\$329.08		

Secretary's Corner

Renewals: KL7AX - W9JTX - W2QGK - KH6FD - W7EIU

New Members: WLHIIH Veronica Lavery, 6 Taft Aveune, Lexington, Mass
W7LSC Toddy Nye, 1802-12th Avenue, Seattle 22, Washington
W2UZJ Theresa A. Taylor, 57 W. 88th St., New York 24, New York
W7KOY Gertrude M. Pond, 1415 N. 25th St., Phoenix, Arizona

Donations: KL7AX .25 - W9JTX .25 - W7EIU .25 - KH6FD .25 - W7LCS .25

New Addresses: Lenore Conn W6NAZ 4632 Coldwater Canyon, North Hollywood, Calif.
Verna StLouis, KL7AX Ugashik, Alaska.

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DISTRICT NEWS

1ST. DISTRICT
NO REPORT

D/C BEA MYER WLNSA

2ND. DISTRICT

D/C LILLIAN RUOCCO W2PMA

The opening of the official amateur radio station (W2CPX) (Centennial Philatelic exhibit) at the Grand Central Palace, 48th St. and Lexington Ave, New York City, May 17 to 25, YL's assisted in getting the sets working are: W2JZX Vi Grossman and W2NGO Viola Villar. Handling of messages was done by hostesses W2NGO/PBI/PMA/NFR/IXY/QWL/QNL/QGK/FUY/MJS/TWJ/RAQ/YL's Helen Quparn/Evelyn Trantman.

W2FKA Kitty, busy with No. N.J. ARC Publicity Chairman and attending to her convalesant OM.

W2IXY Dot's shack was televised for a showing over the television program on 5-25-47 at 8 PM over WMBC. The first time an amateur radio station to be filmed. About 500 feet film used.

W2JPT Betty, will be strictly CW on 40 meters.

W2JZX Vi, heard on 10M fone over W2CPX with bulletin sked for the official station for UN News Bulletin, time/band/fone/CW.

W2KUG Jennie, her last card said "We're not on the air".

W2MEG Willy, happy to get the new suprememxtmr with FM narrow band. Hopes to work more DX.

W2MJS Emma, Played hostess at W2CPX, met many hams which she worked before the war.

W2NFR Helen, keeps a daily sked with GI's up around Hudson Bay.

W2NGO Anita, enjoyed doing a grand job as hostess at W2CPX.

W2NQC Vi, the most efficient CW operator at W2CPX.

W2OLB Amelia, is in for a case of writer's cramps when she settles down. HI.

W2OWL Ruth, had her first QSO from sta. W2CPX with W2PMA, initial contact.

W2PBI Jerry, worked 40 states on 10 moter fone, hopes to get 8 more for WAS.

W2PCU Martha, is glad the cold wx is over, can log her important affiliations.

W2PMA Lillian, sent radiograms from CIPEX while on duty as hostess.
W2PUY Selma, gave YL's at the NYC Club Meeting an interesting account of easing BCI.
W2PVS Betty, finally contacted W2PMA on LOM fone.
W2QBJ Hazel, says, "I haven't nerve to attend the Ham Club, being the only YL with 40 men." HI.
W2QFM Esther, is working over at the broadcasting station WOV.
W2QJC Rita, flew to Tenn. to attend H.S. graduation exercises.
W2QFA Francis, took to designing her new wardrobe.
W2QWL Mignon, was punctual for the hostess sked at CIPEX.
W2RAQ Catherine, gives pause to the days occupation known as "The Children's Hour" listening to the radio programs with the jr. OPS.
W2RNJ Beryl, looking forward to the issue of HARMONICS.
W2RTZ Hope, generosity for the YL's meeting can be at her home. Tnx vy much.
W2RUF Clara, has topped honors for NYS Net for the months of Feb. and March.
W2RZW Edna, home from Florida, vacation with FB sun tan.
W2TU Rose, had antenna down and was glad the OM had weekend off to fix it.
W2TBU Kit, sez one could become an engineer with W2BEV's instructions.
W2UBC Marge, worked DX on LOM ZL-EL-KH6 when band condx is bad she shift's to 40CW.
W2UMY Mary, must brush up on theory for that Class A ticket.
W2WOW Jo, was formerly an 8 and by shifting locations became a "WOW"
 THE THIRD ANNUAL YL NYC CLUB LUNCHEON ON JUNE 14, 1947 AT 12:30 PM AT HANKOW RESTAURANT 132 WEST 34 ST NYC QST \$1.50. DOOR PRIZES, TABLE FAVORS. THE NYC CLUB ROUNDTABLE, FIRST OF EACH MONTH, LOM fone, freq. 29,200 KC. THANKS TO ALL FOR SENDING IN YOUR LOVELY LETTERS AND CARDS.

33 LILLIAN W2PMA.

3RD DISTRICT
 No report.

D/C FRANCES DARNE W3AKB

4TH DISTRICT
 No report.

D/C JERRIE STOCK W4HWS

5TH DISTRICT

D/C EUNICE FALCONI W5ZA

W5ZA Eunice, reports louis the OM has been critically ill, but much better now, (our sincere hope for his speedy recovery, Eunice)
W5IKC Lou, reports field activities very good, some 18 operators took part, having 3 transmitters 40, 80CW, 75 phone, with picnic winding up the two day event. (Gets plenty cold at 3 A.M. plus sunburns during the day, HI).

6TH DISTRICT

D/C CLARA DISHONG W6TDL

Latest visitors to KH6FD es KH6FE are W1BOO es XYL also W6SXX/MM on SS John McMillan and W6EMK/MM (same boat) DX worked on LOM fone with 40 watts, VS9AB Aden Arabia, OZ1H, ZB1E Malta, KA7GC Cobu, YV1AN, D4ALN.

A record attendance as thirteen members were present at the May meeting of the LA - YLRL at Helen's W6MWO, in Beverly Hills, including W6WSV, VWR, NZP, NAZ, YRL, UXF, UHA, TDL AND MWO. We missed our sec'y Ruth W6WQK who was unable to be present due to the baby daughter's illness. A hearty welcome as extended to the following attending for the first time, W6MSG Dorothy, W6YZU Naomi, W6YYM Ellen, who came all the way from San Diego, and Helene W6QOG, who did such a swell job of conducting the National, pre-war, YLRL 10 meter net, using the OM's call W6MED. Election of LA-YLRL officers for the ensuing year resulted in Clara, W6TDL being elected president and Maxine W6UHA Secy-Treas. An element of fun was created by presenting birthday gifts of questionable practicality to W6TDL. i.e., tubes with rattling, good filaments, etc. Novel refreshments included a huge, decorated cake complete with YLRL & ARRL insignia and beam antenna. (was it my faint imagination or did the YL fondly gazing at the bean bear a faint resemblance to W6MWO?). Lenore NAZ took pictures to commemorate the occasion. (Heard the cake took a good picture, HI!)

The ten meter net was held as usual on the 3rd Thursday 9:30 P.M. with 6UHA, control station, YRL, NAZ, and TDL reporting. As something of a ground wave record or Qth (take your choice) Maxine has been able to hear all stations reporting thus far. Latest news over the net is that Sandy 6YRL is going higher power on 10 M using the mighty little 4 watt as an optional transmitter. W6WQK Ruth, has had the beam anchored directionally for the 8th and 9th District now advises that Hank, the om, has it rotatable once more complete with indicators. Glad to report baby daughter well again. W6WSG Dorothy, has a nice write up in the LA Times concerning her QSO's with LUSEE Olavarra Argentina, near Buenos, she maintained numerous weekend schedules on 10 M fone, often for as long as six hrs at a stretch (despite QRM) for the purpose of playing chess. As many as 6 boards would be in play at each station with national champions participating. Dorothy an ardent chess player herself, did the necessary language translating and operating the transmitter, tho' using the OM's call WYC. This is an ingenious use of amateur radio, making history in both hobbies. W6NSV Carol, our gracious and tactful president who guided the LA-YLRL Club thru its pioneer, first year is very busy with finals preparatory to receiving her masters degree from the University of Southern California, come graduating time. Heard via the grapevine of the possession of a new communications receiver. W6TDL Clara, contacted CR9AG, Macao China on 10M fone for a fine QSO and handled a message to Enid UXF who had contacted John a couple months previously on 40 CW. Jim the OM is converting a 522, winding transformers for the power supply for a new 2M rig and receiver. W6YYM Ellen, is organizing a San Diego YLRL Club, and we wish her much success in her fine undertaking. Also becoming an expert solderer in her job at Consolidated Vultec Aircraft, advises she could really improve on previous soldering she had done for her 40M rig. Enjoys a lot of 40 CW QSO's frequent ones with Lenore, W6NAZ. W6YZU Naomi, is a new amateur and a fine addition to YLRL, rumor has it that she has a good fist on 20 and 40M CW. Has a super DX record, 58 countries & 30 zones worked thur far (not all confirmed) the OM Bob, W6LEE is a DX man in his own right! Naomi has a midget 2 watt (capable of more power) all band transmitter on which the OM in Parker, Arizona on 40M CW receiving R7 report! Als a 6M enthusiast. Expects to join the local YLRL 10M net soon with a small transmitter on 10M fone. All this in addition to being the mother of 3 small jr. ops!(I can't imagine what she does with her spare time). W6NAZ Lenore, has moved next door and the Qth is now 4639 Coldwater Canyon Ave., North Hollywood, California. At long last the anticipated 4L 10M and 3L 20M beams have been erected on the roof, which means another 9 plus signal for the 6th district. W6NZP Evelyn, expects to be on 6M by converting the wartime WERS rig and erecting an appropriate antenna. W6UHA Maxine, has worked VQ3TOM Tanganyika, EL5A Liberia, CPLAG Bolivia on 10M fone and ZM6AC Western Samoa on 20M CW for some FB DX. Has had the pleasure of entertaining G3BM Bill es XYL Edna, who are visiting here from Poole, England.

MY SWAN SONG

Dedicated To The YL's of 6th District.

I am a poet of some doubtful repute,
 That I even am one, some may refute,
 The occasion demands sometimes more than mere prose
 To tender my thanks for a pleasant year's close!
 What orchids I gathered go to you their rightful owner
 (Hmmm-I'd better wind this ditty up, before I pull a bonor!)
 But its really been swell, knowing you in YLRL
 So happy CQ's, DX, 33 and farewell -
 This is no time for sorrow, see you on the band tomorrow.

Clara W6TDL

7th DISTRICT

KL7AX Verna, just got down from their trapping cabin, address is Ugashik, instead of Naknek, is off the air entirely for the summer but will be on again about Sept.

D/C LIZETTE WOLF W7HDS

8TH DISTRICT

No Report

D/C KATHERINE HENRY W8YQJ

9TH DISTRICT

No Report

D/C HARRYETTE BARKER W9KSA

Ø DISTRICT

WØUD Letha, is taking a vacation from the Mo. TFC net as her rig will not work on 40M so the boys are running skeds for their TFC work on the new 813 rig is progressed to the stage where they have drilled the new power supply panel and sprayed it with gray lacquer. This one is to be a vertical breadboard style with the pretty equipment showing.

D/C LORETTA ENSOR WØUA

WØTAB Ruby, called in on the 75M YL Net on the 24th for the first time. Reported securing her Class A while on the west coast during the war. They have sold the farm they were on and have bought a larger and better one and have been busy painting, moving, etc., so have just put up the 75M antenna. Wants to move the transmitter into another room later. Likes the 10M band best as she can contact the hams on the West Coast that she has been acquainted with while there.

WØUA Loretta, is still active on the 75M YL Net each Tuesday Morning at 4:45 CST. Have been keeping regular schedules with 9KSA giving her weather and river reports as her parents were visiting her and wanting to return to Kansas City, BSP has been taking two weeks training duty at Great Lakes, Illinois. I wish to thank the girls who have sent in reports in helping me make the Ø District news possible and hope that you will faithfully send your reports to my successor.

33 Loretta Ensor