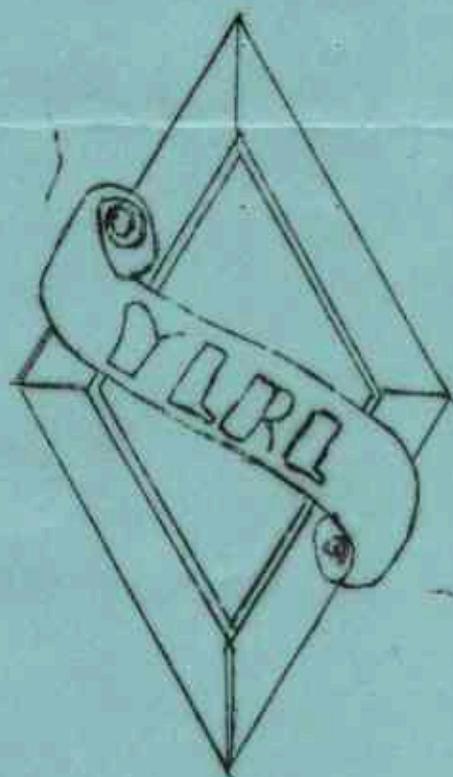


# HARMONICS



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ENID

Well, Girls, Here's Enid, our Ex-secretary and Editor of Harmonics. To her we are greatly indebted. We have all admired the way in which she handled the job. Our hats are off to the pioneers of the YLRL and especially to a grand gal, Enid, who worked untiringly to mold together the group of YLRLers and who stayed at the helm long enough to see a modest handful increase to several hundred strong. Enid's husband is taking a position as Indian Agent and they are moving to New Mexico and perforce she has to give up the heavy burden of the Secretary's job but intends to continue with us not only in spirit but in general activity to the best of her ability.



To the gratitude of all the girls I would like to add my personal thanks for the splendid shape that she handed over the records of the organization.

The above picture is a gift of Nita Bien, W8TAY, your publicity director, as a farewell gesture of gratitude to Enid (Mighty nice of Nita, wasn't it girls?)

Leta, W9DBD

Nominations.

Nominations are now in order for the offices of President and Vice-president. The three members receiving the highest number of nominations for the office of president will be voted on in our regular election next month. Also the three members receiving the highest number of nominations will be voted on for vice-president. Nominations may be made by all members in good standing and should be mailed direct to W9DBD, 3329 Abner Pl., St. Louis, Mo.

AMENDMENT TO GO INTO EFFECT MAR 1, 41

A regularly yearly assessment of \$.50 per member is hereby assessed in accordance with the provisions of Article 4 of the constitution for the purpose of providing funds for current expenses. The amendment to go into effect Mar. 1, 41

( all new members must pay fifty cents and all old members whose dues fall due after Mar 1 will pay fifty cents.)

Proposal for Amendment.

The following Proposal for Amendment to our by-laws was received at the Secretary's office, duly signed by five members in good standing. Results on this amendment will be published in May.

" That the office of Secretary and Publicity chairman be elective." (ign re this election, too late.)

KC4USB. sked.

Those who contacted Kc4USB- on YLRL sked. W1FTJ, W3FXZ, W8NAL, W8UDA, W9FRR, W9OWQ, W9NBX, W9ZWL. The call of Elmer when he gets back will be WLLWD.

FTS YLRL

The following is quotation from W2LSD, writer of the FTS publication. "YOUNG LADIES RADIO LEAGUE, we greet you with the highest respect; we congratulate you upon the spirit shown and we thank you for the friendship party made possible for us with the members of your league who so heartily extend their hands in token of friendship. May the YLRL prosper and thru its able officers and activity managers carry on in the noble spirit which is so radiant".  
W2LSD, Nils.

Contest Scored.  
1st Award. W9BRD, T 40 tube.  
2nd. Award W2MIY 2 Taylor 866's.

W2MIY	272,500
W9ZWL	260,000
W8UDA	235,000
W8NCJ	172,500
W5IG0	148,750
W5JTX	140,250
W5FKK	135,000
W5IKC	135,000
W7FTX	108,000
W2KAZ	103,350
W5JNJ	97,500
W6PZA	87,000
W8SJE	79,200
W4NEX	70,000
W4MDV	61,800
W3IXZ	37,100
W1BRO	23,000
W9WTO	27,000
W5WY2	17,500
W1FIJ	8,000
W6CG/MBD	5,600
W3CDQ	150
W9LDO	400

It was gratifying to receive the numerous neatly-typed copies from both the FTS and YLRL participants. The excellent co-operation and spirit of friendliness which prevailed during the contest was characteristic of all combined FTS and YLRL activities. On behalf of the YLRL, I would like to suggest that this "Tournament" become an annual affair, to take place during the earlier part of Feb. each year. I wish to express my appreciation to all those who participated and to those who turned in suggestions and criticisms for this last contest. The following stations receive special thanks for assisting so nobly in the contest as monitoring stations W6CG/MBD, W0QXL, W2IXY, W5EPW, W9OW, W1GQT, W9BRD.

W9WMP, Vice-Pres.

and activities manager of YLRL.

YLRL will offer certificates to all stations working YLRL members in 48 states and submitting proof of communication to W9WMP.

Clubs.

The Cincinnati club has not met lately due to illness of Marie's W8TP's son and also of W9WTO.

The Cleveland club is losing two good members due to change in QTH of JUCY, Carol and Sylvia, W4TE to Iowa.

St. Louis club is still going strong with 12 members and interest high. Meetings are devoted to code, radio theory and luncheon. The girls are hoping to have enough members soon wish code proficiency awards to get a special club award. Some of the girls are going to take part in the Emergency drill. You can bet on Carrie, W1IE really going to town on this contest. W9EZX, the OM of W9PFO has been doing the instruction in radio theory and does a fine job of it. We have been fortunate in finding a teacher who can make radio sound easy. W9LUM has gotten out a ham paper which hasn't been named yet, but which was very welcome in St. Louis. She also arranged for a broadcast on KMOX for the club. Josephine Halpin who has a regular hour on the station interviewed the girls. W9JTX told how she made a sked, so that she could have time for her work and her radio, and a slight grin went around as we thought of the work we had left undone that day to get down to the broadcast. W9GOJ told of her romance and marriage to W9W09. W9PFO told how we go into action during an emergency. W9ONW told how she got interested in radio. W9ILH told of her emergency work and traffic. W9LUM explained why the government encouraged hams. W0DBD told how the local club got its start.

I have received very little information on the nets so I will presume they are functioning as usual, with one exception. WBTPE has just informed me that the 160 net will be discontinued Thurs. morn. after April 17 and resume operations in Oct. But she says if any of the girls will look over the band Thurs. morning they might enjoy a round table anyway.

20 fone net needs more girls. Of course even tho' they are there the skip sometimes spoils the hookup between all members, but W7HDS and W9BDB have kept up a schedule at the same time every week on 20 fone for many months. W2IXY will be with us again soon and Jenny, W2KUP came in on the net a few times with her 40 watts. W9ZCI is back on but not always heard in St. Louis. W2HXQ got on Mar 14 for the YL net. She had just gotten back from Florida.

Let's have more news on the nets. Seems interest is lagging, but even tho it is the nets have served their purpose in getting the girls acquainted and given them experience in handling messages that some of them would ~~not~~ have had otherwise.

160 fone net, W8TPZ control. Marie says the net is having trouble as the band is going out but she did contact W8MPO, W3FXZ, W9EFV, W8UHB, W9UA, W9KBA, W5HWK, W1MRC. Sounds like a live-wire net.

Dues received since last publication.

W1FRO, W5GXT, W1GQT, W7HDS, W8UCY, W5IKC, W1KKQ, W9UA, W8TPZ, W1BEO, W9OTN.

Donations. PINS.  
W9NBX.70, W9KDX, W8UCY \* W9LUM, W9KDX

DISTRICT NEWS SUBMITTED BY THE CHAIRMEN.

1st Dist. Chairman, Lida King, W1GQT, 170 Homestead, Holyoke, Mass

W1FTJ says the cup she won on YL contest arrived and is very pretty. Is kept busy at shop due to Om being in Boston on active duty for the Navy.

W1KUI Ellen is taking a course in photography. Just returned from a vacation spent in N. J. Received Class A ticket.

W1LBO. Lucy has not been active on the air this winter due to sickness in the family. Met some of the girls on 160 net one day. Has met personally W3FXZ.

W1LJZ. Marion has a new teaching position and is now doing demonstration teaching for normal school and has been too busy for radio. Had Cse with W1MUV and both favor a get-to-gether for the girls in 1st district.

W1MDV Had to attend another funeral in Vermont. Stopped in Holyoke restaurant to eat and foned W1GQT. Had nice visit with them. Sent in 30 W. P. M. on code test.

W1MDV Frances said the big excitement right now is the anticipated visit of Dot, W2MIY about the middle of Mar. Dot is spending a few days with her. Had lot of fun on R. I. QSO party.

W1MUV Norma is sporting a new NC200 covr. Is planning on attending convention in Chicago over labor day and is hoping she can drive out there with a few of the girls along for company.

YLRL H.

March 4, 1944

Let dist cont.

WLMZH. Mary is on 160 fone. attends 2 radio classes and cooking school weekly. Would like to contact 160 meter fone girls, runs 25 watts and recvr is NC 44.

WIGQT Lida had interesting letter from VE2GN, who is in London as technical advisor for CBS. Have not been on air this month due to illness of Jim's sister. She is OK now and I am rerin to go. Thanks lots for news sent in.

2nd DISTT. Dorothy Hall, W2IXY, 186-18 Williamson, Springfield, L, I

Just wanted to see what would happen if I did not send out the regular reminders to the gals and I do want to thank those who so kindly sent in the news for this district. (those reminders good idea, Dot, LHB)

W2NAI. Says " I am sorry I have not been able to meet any of the girls but I have been waiting for the OM to help me put up a new skywire so I could get on 40 meters. Listened to PTS<sup>2</sup>YLRL party and gave one half-hearted call on 80 but then that better of it; sure would like to meet some of the members in person. Do you have any get-to-gethers"( We are planning on one a bit later when WX gets better, will keep you posted.)

W2KUG. Jenny, reports that the rig worked fine for the Schenectady winter carnival and fun was had by all. Went to the banquet given by the Chamber of Commerce and met the officials and National Ice Skating Champions. Attended a meeting of the Albany Radio Club and met many of W2MIY, Dotty's friends. Am off 20 fone for a week as a transformer blew out., Joe is me".

The rest of the girls forgot to send in any news but we did a little eyes-dropping and have some news on their activities. W2HXQ, Kay, was on the sick list and has been on 20 fone out her first love is CV. W2KBC, Sally is all tied up in a knot with three days a week devoted to the course she is taking, the First Aid under a hospital's supervision. W2NAZ, Lenore, is planning on going for her Class A very shortly. W2MOY, Horatia entertained K4FOY, Jenny, W2NGO, Anita, and W2IY at a little tea party and what a swell time we had. Really it went off with a bang. Jenny played hockey from school and later said she would not have missed it for anything. You never heard such "ribbing" and "panning" of the OM's in all your life. Anita is a very cute Southern girl with a drawl that you just love. Jenny, well, Jenny is just Jenny the grandest person we have met in a long, long while and we just won't ever let her lose contact with us. Horatia<sup>2</sup>tops the gang" as a gracious hostess and makes every one feel they had known her for years. The tea was in honor of Jenny who had the pleasure of meeting 3 YLRL members all at once.

The broadcast over WJZ went over with a bang, but we sho do like to talk from our own station much better. Hi. The American Red Cross has informed me that they are requesting blood donors for the Army's and Navy's blood bank and if any of the girls feel they would like to help in the humanitarian effort, I will be only too pleased to give them fuller particulars. My OM and myself went on Feb 26 and each gave a pint and there was absolutely no after effects. They classify your blood and send you a card certifying that you are enrolled in the volunteer blood donor service of the RED CROSS.

3RD Dist. W3CDQ, Elizabeth Zandonini, 3633 N. W. Everett, Wash, D C.

W3EXZ. Mary has been on 160 meters and met many new YLRs.

3rd Dist cont.

W3AFB Fran. again holds top honors in AARS code speed contest.

W3MG: Marie has been in Florida and from her card gather she is having a good time.

W3CPC Elizabeth has been doing a little on that new antenna, mostly made with W8CWP express ARRL.

4th Dist. W4GKO Helen Davy, 1604 Pineola, Ve. Kingsport, Tenn.

To Enid a sincere vote of thanks from the fourth district girls for a splendid work you have done in producing the YL Harmonics. We are proud of it, and proud of you for having made it the successful and inspiring paper that it is. Best of luck to you from us all.

Say, girls, sit up and take a look at this traffic score which Lola, W4FJR accumulated last month. In fact, better take two looks for you won't believe your eyes for the first time; she had a total of 2540. We think that must be a record and are interested in knowing if it has been topped by any other YLRL member. Lola says she was nearly worked to death doing it. We say FB, L'la, and more power to you.

W4FGR. This month's biography from the fourth district could have come out of a novel, and proves that ham radio can be romantic in more ways than one. Lois, is 25 years old, 5ft 3 weighs 103 pounds has blue eyes, dark hair and fair complexion and was the first licensed YL in the state of Alabama Lois was determined to be an old maid- but fate had different plans for her- plans which started to materialize when Lois started having skeds with K5AT in the Panama Canal Zone about a year ago. The operator at K5AT was James McKinstry, Jr. Finally after months of skeds, Lois and Mack met in person and as Lois herself puts it, "that was that". On Feb. 8 of this year they were married, so now she is Mrs. McKinstry. Lois' family is a real ham family for, besides herself and her husband, she has two brothers-in-law who are hams; another brother-in-law who is about to become a ham; and another sister is engaged to a ham. They could have a pretty good-sized net right in the family. Lois will be on 40 and 20CV before long, girls, so look out for W4FGR.

W4GFO. Helen. Have been pretty busy and who isn't these days, with Red Cross work, girl scout work, welfare work and just plain work. Spring must be nearly here, for I am getting the urge to start painting up things. Don't forget the Red Cross messages on April 4th and I expect YLRL will show again the YLs are just as capable as the OM's.

33's to you all. W4GFO.

Fifth Dist. Lous Lacy, Box 794 Phillips Texas.

W5IKC. Am finally working on 3610KC now by putting the antenna up in the neighbor's yard. Hi. Recieved some fb reports and had some swell QSO's. Hear W5ILH, W9EVL, W7GLK, all coming thru r 7 to r9 about 11Pm. Have to work till 11Pm on Thur. so am about 30 min. behind time to make the net. Say, what in the world happened to all those M's that I thot were pretty swell gain last month? Really girls, we can't let the new secretary down like that. We must cooperate if she is to do her job. So how about coming thru with that news for next month's issue. Please mail it in time so that I can send it on to Leta by the 4th of each month.

33 Lou.

Someone lately suggested we have some technical radio data in Harmonics. What do you say? How about some nice simple recipes for the OM's while we are on the air? L'LB.

3. 6th Dist. Genevive Capstaff, 4822 Norwitch, Van Nuys, Cal.

7615X Peggy is getting very interested in the Woman's Air Reserve after going to meetings with Louise, 76015. Also met Louise's OM JACKIE. They sure are swell people. Louis and Peggy have been conducting 2 1/2 meter experiments from airplanes. Everything highly successful.

7608J. Louise reports recent returns from flight to Florida at which time they delivered a new Lockheed "Lodestar" to the National Air L's coast to coast in less than 10 hours. Nice going, Louis. While in Florida Louise looked up WANA who is Lakeworth Nat control station for AARS. She also visited the West Palm Beach radio club and was made an honorary member. Louis is very interested in flying and is taking lessons. It seems sort of natural since the OM's been in aviation for 11 years. She is also fond of tennis but doesn't get much time for it.

76TAV. Norma. We're welcoming Norma into the YLMA this month. Glad to have you with us. Says she gets a big kick out of the Harmonics and is looking forward to meeting many of the girls. You'll find her on 40 and 80 meters and on 160 and 10 fone with 60 watts. Norma reports a Q30 with W7IHC and several attempts to contact 7632X on 160 fone but Norma and Marie never got together due to QRM. Norma lives about 10 miles out of Montagne on a ranch and is very interested in gardening and landscaping.

76SPX. Marie reports new antenna on 10 and says "Its working like a charm. Marie says she heard 76TAV the night of their sked but QRM was bad. W7IHC and Marie tried for over 2 hours to keep a sked but a round table spoiled the qso until the band went out. Then the OMs say "women talk".

76STJ. Glad to welcome Helen into YLML. Helen's had her ticket since Mary, 40 and is on 40 meters with 150 watts. You'll find her on the air most any time. Due to the high fogs and the fact that the shack is on the other end of a two acre ranch Helen says the rains have gotten the best of us". (as they say in Cal. a California mist" Hi) Ted, the Om was driving thru a wash the other day and reached the middle when the flood gates opened and the car was left a total wreck. Helen says she and Ted are collaborating on a 160 fone outfit.

76RIJ. Eva says calling her a farmerette isn't quite right. Says "If there ever was a feminine farmer it must be me." Says she can cut 300 crates of cauliflower in 2 hours and more than that of cabbage and stack packed crates 5 ft. high each crate weighing 75 lbs. Sorry, Eva, we didn't get the picture. Eva reports getting another deer this season. Also reports another deer coming up. Congrats. Eva is back on air on the weather net operating daily on 3540 report to 76GPV on the IX in the valley. 76JHI, bro. of Eva is in Brookfield, Texas in the Radio Air Cor. Eva is interested in hearing from any other girl who runs a farmer. And she says "I mean work".

73's Peggy.

7th Dist. No report.

8th. Mildred Wildman, 10538 Dupont, Cleveland, Ohio..

Tho't for a while the 8th dist. would be newsless this month, but today's mail brought lots of letters. Thanks, gals.

WBFB Blondie never fails us. She now has her rig working and will be back on the 160 line net every Thurs. Th. says the Pittsburgh hams are doing the 160 net fine job by being off the band that morn. She says WBFB who lives in Wilkesbarre, is trying to work YLs from every state and would like for the girls to look for her around 7200 KC and also on 160. UFB, on the first day back, after putting the new rig on says she had 9 qso's and one was 4 1/2 hours. "How's that doin" III.

WBFBZ Marie, has the recipient of one of those chain-letters that probably has gone over the entire YLRL by now. Marie was not too angry over it. She sent in quite a lot of news. W4FGN got married few weeks ago and will be in Bessemer for a month before going to Florida or Montgomery, Ala. W8MPO is out of quarantine after y1 had the scarlet fever. W8MNR has joined the 160 net and hopes to join the YLRL soon. W8UDA works the net each week FB with 8 watts W5HWK is back on 160 now that her antenna is up. W8UEZ has a new receiver. (whew, Marie, you're a pal. that was a swell gathering-in of the news) Marie says she has 24 pictures of herself that want a new home. She would like to exchange with the girls.

W8NCJ. Betsy was only on the FTS-YLRL contest for one evening. (We heard you, Bets, and were you being rushed!) She blew a filter condenser the first week-end, but even so, enjoyed the contest immensely. She just has received a letter of commendation from Frank Knox Sec. of the Navy for having again submitted a perfect copy of the Navy Day Message. This is Beth's third consecutive year for it, and we hope she keeps up the fine record for a long time. She would like to know how many other YL members got it. NCJ has a new NCO. Beth says, Ray, the OM is so busy handling traffic, she doesn't get on as often as she would like, so has decided to get her own transmitter.

W8UDA, Dot is collecting pictures of the YLRL, so anyone who has a picture, send it on to her. She still keeps skeds with Mary Tues. and has fine chats, but recently an OM in Flint loaned Dot a 9 watt fone rig for 160. Mary has been listening for her on the fone net for over a month, but just can't seem to hear her. She got so tired of listening, she put herself on 160 too. So look for Mary on 160. Dot is lacking six states for her WAS on 40. Will the following states be on look-out - Oregon, Washington, Wyoming, Idaho, Utah, and New Mexico. Any Y's to whom Dot owes pictures, please be patient and she will send them as soon as possible.

W8TLE Sylvia, is moving to Iowa, as her OM has accepted a post with the IOWA STATE U., teaching Engineering. Cleveland will miss Sylvia, as she has been one of the most active members. She entertained the Cleveland YLRL club in Feb.

W8ODI. Ruth is gaining speed on her Mill."

W8TLZ. who is attending school in Chicago writes that she is recuperating from an illness. Hope you come home soon, Ruth.

W8KYR has been appointed Emergency Co-ordinator for Genessee, Niagra, and Erie Counties. Clara gave a ten minute talk on Amateur Radio over the Buffalo Radio Station. She devoted some of it to YLRL. We hear she has moved from her big house to an apartment.

W8SPU. has taken up sewing for her young daughter, and also has adopted a dog which her son is very much interested in. Helen would like ideas on "How to teach a Puppy".

W8TAY is looking for a new location to stretch an antenna, one way up preferred. Hite is busy over plans for the Annual CRA dinner which comes up in April. Sez there will be lots and lots of people there.

St. Dist. cont.

W8PCE has just established herself in a new location and will be active on 10 meters. She has a charming little bungalow. Has lots of space for antenna.

W8VEL's slogan is VERT FINE LADY. She is making scrap books on music and Astronomy, and is interested in just about anything.

W8NAL and W8UDA are the only two W8 YLs who got thru to KC4U3B on the recent sked.

W8TTB is getting settled and soon will have 200 watt rig on.

W8MVN is one of our newest members. We hope to have more on her next month. She is an old timer in the radio field, but hasn't been very active lately. She hopes to have W4NS after her name soon.

W8PZA. "I am all in favor of having an earlier net on 80 or 40 meters too, so any of you gals in the East just whistle, and I'm sure our 80 meter gang here will be with you. We have just completed a push-button transmitter, used both XTAL and TCO. Will run 500 watts.

Now is a good time to say thanks to Enid for all the help and co-operation she has given us. And although we are sorry to see her leave we are glad she has given the reins to such a capable person as  
W9DBD.

33, Mil W8PZA  
Cleveland, O.

9th Dist. W9OUD, Letha Allendorf, 1015 Third, Joplin, Mo.

W9NBX. My plans are indefinite.

W9OUD. I am operating regularly on MO-A M<sup>-</sup>B trunk line B per AARG. Mo-c is new ARRL traffic net for Mo. on 3755KC at 6PM Tues and Sat. and could use more good ops. W9AEJ is net control on MO-C Missouri Emergency net will start again on 3755 at 8AM Sun. morn. Here's news for all those who seek W.S. Have lined up two Nevada stations.

W9OUD, Letha.

(The St. Louis and Ill. girls didn't send anything in this time. guess they thought the Sec. ought to know all about them, but here are a few things we found out.) LHB.

W9ONT and W9OJ two of our new members have helped do typing and clipping paper clips in the Harmonics. Anna Marie operates 80 CW and Alice May, 30J, operates 100 fone and 10. W9JVJ is so busy in school she has a hard time meeting with the girls, but does usually manage. She wants to go to the convention in Chicago this fall. W9ILH still handles lots of traffic but does take time out to get over to club meetings. W9JPT is also a faithful member. The girls are anticipating another traction ride over to her state when club meets at Helen's. Hi. W9LUM surprised all the hams with a nice little Ham paper. W9JIX is very busy on the nets and still going after those code certificates. W9ZIH and her OM operate on 10 and 5 meters. W9JIX is studying radio at night school. She is also a new member of the club and soon will be a YLRL. W9DBD hasn't much time for rag-chewing any more. She hopes the Harmonics this month won't be too awful a disappointment. Thanks to all the girls for their good wishes and good luck to Enid.

Leta, W9DBD