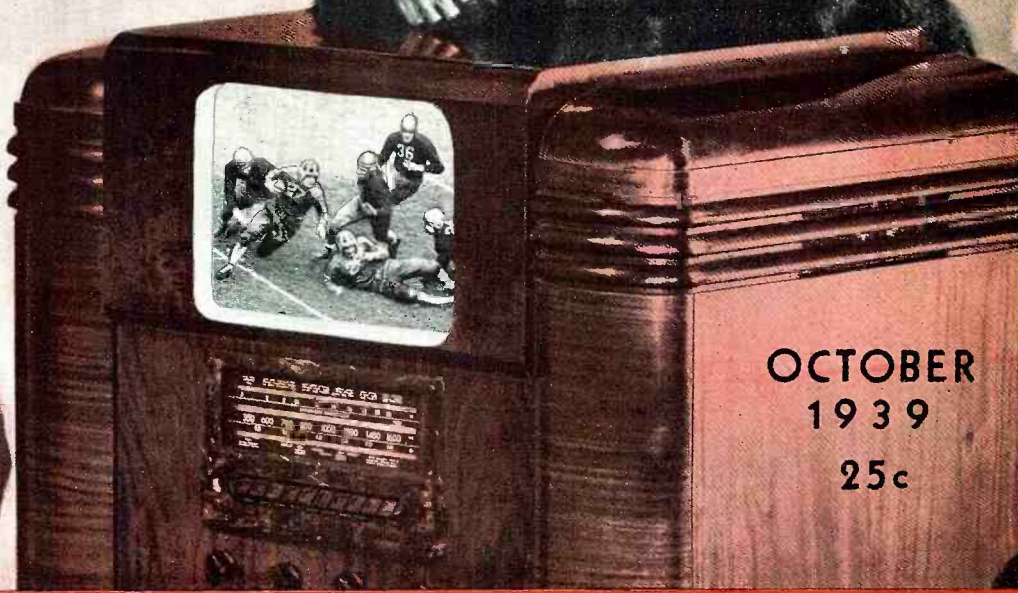


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SUCCESS STORY. He was just a ham—a hard-working one. He was also a musician of sorts. Night after night he worked at his music, and perfected himself. Pretty soon he was an orchestra leader. More hard work and more burning the midnight oil brought him a job with the Broadcasters. His ham rig didn't suffer from this either and he continued to be heard night after night pounding the brass, or going over the 'phone bands. He had many friends and was known as an all right guy. When I get up there, he would say, when I get up there, I sure will see that the ham gets cooperation from the broadcasters. Yessir, that I will. His amateur friends were thrilled to think that they would some day have a champion in the high places.

Well, he finally got his chance, and got up "there." He is program director for a big broadcast station. Recently he was asked to OK a short 15 minute program which would give the hams some publicity, and generally help the ham's cause with the BCL's. Did he OK the program?

No, my little chickadees, he didn't! He gave as his reason, that there would be competition between the big broadcast station and the ham stations which would be mentioned and that the BCL'S might want to listen to the hams after

hams get all the gravy publicity. Watsa? Yrs fer the American Way. Bozo.

DID you know that W7UE is a poet, and a puzzle hound at that? Reprinted from SRC (Spokane Radio Co., Inc.) Ham News:

(To the tune of "Three little Fishies")
We'll look in on ts ham in his itty bitty shack.

With his feet 'neath the table on the power pack.

He's feeling rather lonely and he's oh so blue.

So he thinks he'll try his luck and call a CQ.

Dah dit. Dah dit. Dah dah dit dah.

Dah dit. Dah dit. Dah dah dit dah.

So let's tune the dials on our radio.

And listen in on his QSO.

Good evening, old man, your sigs are fine.

You're coming in here nearly 5-9-9.

It looks like we'll have a fine QSO.

So I'll turn it back and away we'll go.

The rig here drifts like a tramp on the road.

The poor 45's carry such a load.

The antenna swings like a kite in the breeze.

That's the reason my note has a terrible wheeze.

Too bad you can't read my rotten fist. While tuning the rig I sprained my wrist.

Perhaps we'd better QRT.

So thanks for the chat and 73.

Excerpts from the same: (SRC HAM NEWS) which is one swell magazine: W7AYO is trying to develop a new brew for thirsty phone hams. The foam of the new brew will sink to the bottom, and thus will not be blown into the mike, spoiling modulation!

GLEENINGS from Owen Callin's "The Ham Corner" in the Ohio State Journal: W8BZY es W8DCG are the new top ranking officers of the Columbus Amateur Radio Assn. K7AZS is using a new type Marconi antenna in that the radiator is always an odd multiple of $\frac{1}{4}$ wave length and the point of feed is $\frac{1}{4}$ wave, or a multiple thereof, above ground. 7AXS is located in Anchorage, Alaska, where it gets to 40° below Zero in the Winter.

W8RMZ has been transferred from Columbus, Ohio, to the Panama Canal Zone. Because of the difference in the power supply at PCZ, 8RMZ is selling his entire equipment before leaving.

W8EDW was certainly surprised when he came home the other night and found a huge neon sign on the roof of his home with his call letters. The sign was the work of an SWL and an ardent admirer of EDW.

K5AF, All Brook Field, Panama, a member of the Air Corps of the United States Army, has a swell QSL card. There are three operators at 5AF and they will QSL promptly. W8JK was one of the speakers at the Columbus Convention.

STUFF from the Toledo Radio Club Official Bulletin.

W8TKS is rebuilding.

W8SCC is a new member.

W8JOJ was a bachelor for a short spell and was not on the air very much. Hi!

W8GN went to Toledo, set up a five meter rig in his hotel room and had a couple of very swell QSO's.

[Thanks to TRC for the swell bouquets on R. N. Hamchatter. Ed.]



No, this is not a hamset! It's the Canadian CZ7Z, Ina MacHummons, op.

W8AVB lost his receiving antenna in the recent high wind.

The Civilian Air Reserve has open squadron maneuvers each week. W8SKB, W8NPH, W8PNX, W8TIV and W8KEV are going to handle communications in the squadrons. Frequencies will be C. W. on 160, and 5 and 2½ on phone.

W8JOE had some tubes go haywire which have been replaced.

Hooray. Hooray, W8ESN went on 160 the other night.

[Underline: Thanks to CT001 for the swell QSL card.]

EXCERPTS from the ARC (Asheville Amateur Radio Club) Magazine:

Ted MacElroy has reached the unbelievable code reception speed of 75.2 words per minute. Human tape reading machine, huh?

At the Roanoke Division Convention, Charleston, West Virginia, 360 ham visitors were present and twelve cities were represented.

Here's somepin! Says ARC:

The Ham who doesn't belong to the A. R. R. L. can be likened to the man who lived in Boston all his life and never saw Bunker Hill Monument or the man who lived in Asheville all his life and had never been on Mount Mitchell. Join up now; some of these days you're going to need the league.

W5GIZ is nw a class A man es works all bands fone es CW.

W5FVK is still building a rig this having been his fourth year at it he is nw abt ready to go on the air. Hi. Don.

W5FVK, W4AV es W4BGO are ops. WJBO Baton Rouge, La.

W5HKQ whos shack was demolished by ole man lightning is nw back on 160 fone with 140 FB watts.

W5GIZ es XYL visited with W5HMV, es chewed the rag all afternoon.

W4AV Portable 5 just returned from his vacation on the Gulf Coast with his portable 10-160 rig.

W5BRB has a rotary beam that really works. W5HEZ is vy active on 20es40 c.w.

Five mtrs. has been open several nights down here in the swamps some of the stronger sigs being W3RL, W4EVV, W9AQQ, W8NZ es many others.

W5YW Leo Broussard L.S.U. op. says he is trying for W.A.G. (worked all girls).

When W5ICV es W5GIZ get together those



W5GXO (right) es W5HMV get together at Windy Bill's home town fer QSO.

hearing the program and thereby lose the B.C. Station some listeners! Success . . . what strange things it does to fellows.

SUMMER was swell for the hams. Many built portable-mobile equipment into their cars and ran all over the countryside QSO'ing lither and yon. There was not any new or outstanding contribution to mobile rigs except some variations as to the manner of bandchange. There is still a demand for a good, compact all-band communications receiver capable of a.c. or d.c. operation. The set should fit into a car's glove compartment.

In the Mail: Tnx to Ed. R. Lewis fer the crd. Sorri we couldn't make it, on account of we were busy with the column. Ed.

Aside to Owen Callin of the Ohio State Journal's Ham Corner: Dear Owen!—We appreciate your stuff no end, and we believe that you are doing a super-swell job with that column of yours. But don't you think that more news on the U. S. Hams would be more appropriate? We have a hard row to hoe with Congress and John Public as it is to get them to see that we are useful and worthy of keeping our bands, that it does not do us a lotta good to have the furrin



YL looking over W9HKB's gear, with W9KYO and W9GBD chatting in back.



The ice cream brigade at the picnic. Picture taken by W9ANZ, sent by 9MET.



Jack W9MET Pollard, Lincoln, Neb., at the operating position of his xmtr.