

MRS. RICHARD LESH reads a ham radio trade magazine while W. C. Swanson prepares to send the code on his extensive ham radio setup. Observing in the background are Burritt Wright, Richard Lesh, Roy Meier and Dr. George John. The other Wayne ham not pictured is Mrs. John.

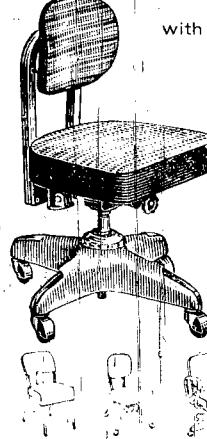
Ham Radio Hobby a Lifetime Pleasure; Jargon of Words

A hobby that snowballs into a lifetime of pleasure . . . a hobby with a jargon of words such as DX, rag-chewing, side band, CQ traffic . . . this is the hobby of ham radio. Those persons in Wayne who consider this a fad are nating, sometimes time consuming hobby are Roy Meier, W. C. Swanson, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lesh, Burritt Wright and Dr. and Mrs. George John.

Meier has spent the longest time with his ham radio set, 37 years, and Mr. and Mrs. Lesh are the neophytes having started in May with their FCC notice ticket issued June 30.

Meier considers it more a winter hobby because of the static in the summer months that sometimes prohibits working with the set. His favorite part of being a

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speak English fluently.

Burritt Wright broke down the meaning of the call letters: the W or K stands for United States and the O for our portion of the country. The last three letters are the personal call letters of the ham. Wright's call letters are WOPLK. His great satisfaction in his 10 years as a ham is speaking to his son, Gerald Wright, Long Island, N. Y., who has been a ham for 20 years. While Gerald Wright was here recently, he and his father installed a 70-foot pole with a 32-foot antenna. While testing the pole, they heard Peru, South America.

Dr. John became interested in radio work after having three and a half years in electrical engineering before being drafted into service. He started the work in 1957 and Mrs. John two years later. Her call letters are KOJHF and his are KOJHG.

Mrs. John has been interested in DX, contacting long-range stations and admitted modestly to contacting many in and out of the United States. For such contacts one receives a CQ confirmation of receiving from the contactee. She has talked to Alvin, Rey, Irene Dunn and Tex Beneke's wife. She has also conversed with Johnny Johnstone who played the part of Johnny on the Phillips program for many years. Other interesting contacts include the Minister of the Interior in Honduras, the head of the American Embassy in Nicaragua, head of the treasury department at the university in Capetown, S. Africa, Senator Wherry's son, David, in Washington, D. C., and a contact in the Arctic Circle.

The Johns have talked to servicemen in Greenland, Marybird Island, Wake Island and Ethiopia. Dr. John enjoys visiting with other medical friends in towns near Wayne, but seldom finds the time for more than once a month. Mrs. John regrets that she is not so active as she was at first, only operating a couple times a year now.

The Dick Leshes explained the entire process of becoming a ham operator. The first thing one must learn is International Morse Code which takes a great deal of practice. Before a ham may transmit, he must be licensed by the FCC (Federal Communications Commission.) A novice must pass a written examination in transmitting and receiving code, and an exam on electronic theory, FCC regulations and operating procedures. At this point of the training, the FCC issues the station license and call letters. After a year, the general license is issued and the code speed must be 13 words a minute. The general license perpetuates itself because the full-figured ham receives the license automatically every five years without a test.

The lowest sound a human can hear is 16 cycles. In the radio spectrum the amateur bands start above 1600 kilocycles. Certain bands are set aside for army, police, television, FM. A ham is allowed to use 1,000 watts of power. In transmitting, one frequency is taken and modulated. A novice is allowed to talk on only one frequency and can practice code on three bands which is a set of frequencies.

A male operator is called an OM (old man), an unmarried lady is a YL (young lady) and a married lady is an XYL. Mr. Lesh stated that the great curse of hams is other people's equipment that is not receiving correctly which causes TVI, television interference. Hams have this trouble frequently but the fault is usually with the TV.

The Leshes lauded the hobby as one for everyone and especially for those who are handicapped. Deaf persons can use the blinker light in transmitting. The hobby is also surprisingly inexpensive and can be continued with less than

\$100 worth of equipment. It is necessary, of course, to have a receiver, transmitter and antenna. Besides the seven ham operators in the county, two-way radios are operated by the sheriff, the airport, Propane Gas (with a range of 125 miles), Jensen and Brown (range 15 miles) and the REA (range 50 miles). In a county disaster the hams would organize and use their tools as prescribed by the group. In case of a national emergency, they would be off the air individually but would be able to assist other Civil Defense members who are already organized in Omaha and Norfolk.

The Leshes have call letters KNOKEF for Mr. Lesh and KNOKEP for Mrs. Lesh. They have until June 30, 1962 to finish their novice period. At that point in the process they will receive their general or conditional ticket.

They pointed out that amateurs actually opened up radio and since that day had almost sacred privileges with the government behind them 100 per cent. During wartime the government is gratified at the number of radio personnel they receive from the ham ranks.

The Northeast Nebraska Radio club was begun in 1954 and Swanson and Meier are both charter members. The group has 18 members who meet the second Sunday of the month for discussion on current developments. The group of hams have aided many other worthy hams who lacked funds, including a blind boy. Dr. John is also a member of the club.

It is easy to understand how the fascination of the ham radio hobby can get "under your skin," as Meier pointed out. Here is not only an interesting hobby but also a very worthwhile one.

Service News . . .

Wayne

Radioman Bill Hughes and his son, Teritor Communications Electrician Jim Hughes, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Hughes, recently completed a six month period of sea exercises aboard the USS *Kearsarge* in the West Pacific Oct. 1. The *Kearsarge* will dock at Puget Sound Naval Yards, Bremerton, Wash., for extensive overhaul.

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Admitted: Mrs. Inez Peterson, Concord; Mrs. Ed Ridgway, Laurel; Deborah Wetmore, Burbank, S. D.; Mrs. Marvin Stolle, Concord; Mrs. Howard Smith, Wayne; Mrs. Dale Eichler, Wayne; Mrs. Charles Brockman, Carroll; Patrick Shimoda, Wayne; Mrs. Bertha Ueckert, Wayne; Mrs. Dallas Longe, Wayne; Mrs. Joe Patten, Detroit, Mich.

Dismissed: Mrs. Rollie Thirick, Winslow; Mrs. Wallace Victor, Wayne; Mrs. Thomas Rose and

Douglas Jerome, Wayne; Mrs. Jake Johnson, Wayne; Deborah Wetmore, Burbank, S. D.; Mrs. Inez Peterson and daughter, Concord; Mrs. Ed Ridgway and daughter, Laurel; Miss Charles Brockman and Doug Fae, Carroll; Mrs. Jacob Smith, Wayne; Mrs. Marvin Stolle and son, Concord.

Business Notes

Larson-Kuhn co. has started remodeling of the former First National bank building at the corner of Second and Main. The interior and front of the building will be converted for a retail outlet. Completion of the project is expected next spring.

Anticipated when there is a greater than the average planted for harvest in any of the years 1959, 1960 or 1961.

Wayne Mrs. Joyce's Hold Annual Membership Tea
Wayne Mrs. Joyce held their annual membership tea Tuesday evening at the REA building. Ten members and seven guests were present.

Kent Hall showed a film, "Artistry in Flowers." Mrs. Hall gave a demonstration on flora arrangements. Hostesses were Mrs. Warren Elvyn, Mrs. Jack Major and Mrs. Dick Brauner. A dinner meeting is planned Oct. 10 in Laurel.

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Vernell Echtenkamp, Gary Nelson Wed
Sunday at Wakefield Lutheran Church



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Vernell Ann Echtenkamp daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Echtenkamp, Wakefield, and Gary O. Nelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl W. Nelson, Carroll, were married Saturday evening at Immanuel Lutheran church, Wakefield. The altar was decorated with candleabra and baskets of white mums. Blue bows encircled with white lace laced accented the pews.

Rev. A. W. Gode officiated at the double ring, candlelight ceremony. Yvonne Kralik was a maid of honor. The wedding party consisted of the bride's mother, Mrs. Marvin Nelson, son, Mr. and Mrs. Carl W. Nelson, Carroll; and Mrs. Edith (Meyer) Carlson, wife of the groom's father, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Echtenkamp.

furnished to a homemade crown of seed pearls and lace highlighted with tiny crystals. She carried an arrangement of mums on a white base.

The bride's attendants were her sister, Marlene Echtenkamp, Sioux City, and Mrs. Delwin Swanson, Oakland. They wore identical bouffant ballerina-style gowns of nylon organza over taffeta in two shades of iris blue. Draped or ganza framed the neckline and extended in a swirl to the hemline, caught at the waist with a fabric rose. They carried colonial bouquets of blue carnations and white mums.

Carl B. Nelson, Omaha, served his brother as bestman. Robert Heneagar, Wayne, was groomsman. Delwin Swanson, Oakland, and Melvin Korn, Wayne, ushered.

Judy Korn was flowergirl and Cloe Nelson was ringbearer.

The bride's mother wore a blue lace dress with matching hat. The bridegroom's mother wore a navy blue dress. Both wore white mums corsages.

A reception for 275 guests was held in the church parlors. Mrs. Gilbert Kralik and Mrs. Lawrence Wischhof, Wayne, were hostesses. Donna Wischhof had charge of the guest book. Mrs. Melvin Korn, Wayne, and Mrs. James McMillip, Elgin, sisters of the groom, cut and served the four-tier wedding cake. Mrs. Ray Jensen, Omaha, poured. LoAnn Schulz, Sharon Nelson and Darlene Nelson arranged the gifts.

Serving the bride's table were Dauphin Wischhof and Julie Duechert. Waitresses were Nancy Meyer and Marlene Carlson. Mrs. Rueben Meyer, Mrs. Edward Meyer, Mrs. Norman Meyer, Mrs. Arnold Rose and Mrs. Marvin Echtenkamp assisted with the serving.

The bride chose an orchid dress with a white mums corsage for her going-away ensemble.

The bride was graduated from Brookfield high school and attended WSTC and has been employed in Sioux City.

The bridegroom was graduated from Wayne High school and served two years in the Armed Forces. He is presently engaged in farming.

After a wedding trip the couple will reside on a farm northwest of Wayne.

NE Wayne

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Johnson and Mrs. Melvin Larsen, Allen, returned Sunday after a month's stay in Rochester, Minn. The women's father, Frank Hanson, Yreapana Calif., visited the Larson and Johnson homes Monday and Tuesday.

Guests Monday evening in the Ellis Johnson home to visit Frank Hanson were Mr. and Mrs. Del Hanson and family.

SOUTHWEST Wakefield

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Rural Home Officers Meet

Rural Home Society officers met with Mrs. Elvis Olson Monday afternoon to make out the year's program.

ALCW

Mr. Albert Sundell entertained 12 members of Unit I of ALCW and three guests Thursday afternoon. The same afternoon Mrs. Emil Lund was hostess to seven members of Unit III. Unit VIII met in the Marvin Mortenson home last Tuesday evening. Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Carlson were guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Hjalmar Lund and Mrs. Ethel Fredrickson spent last Sunday evening in the Emil Lund home. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ring were dinner guests Monday.

Last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Kormit Johnson and family visited in the Adolf Carlson home. Stromsburg. Wednesday evening they were in the Jack Krueger home, Winslow. Mr. Krueger has returned from the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Johnson spent Thursday evening in the Lawrence Ring home. They were with Mr. and Mrs. Axel Smith, Norfolk, and Mrs. Olga Bjorklund Sunday evening.

Mrs. Elvis Olson and Mrs. Russell Wenzstrand spent from Wednesday to Friday at a retreat at Camp Covenant Cedars.

Bonnie Mortenson started work as a nurse's aid at the Wakefield hospital, Omaha, returned home Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Art Longe and Mr. and Mrs. Emil Lund visited him Sunday evening.

Mrs. Herbert Johnson and Mrs. Fred Muller attended a committee meeting with Mrs. Art Longe Thursday afternoon. Sunday evening their son-in-law, Clark Kamrath, recently released from military service at Augusta, Ga., and his mother, Mrs. Clara Kamrath, Pennsylvania, visited there Monday afternoon. Lisa and Monte Barg were with Mrs. Borg.

Last Sunday afternoon Leonard Roberts and daughters were with relatives in the Eddie Roberts home for Daniel's tenth birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Suber, Fremont, and Mrs. F. A. Suber were Sunday supper guests in the John Suber home.

Joan Olson, who teaches in Norfolk, was home for the weekend. She accompanied the rest of the Harold Olson family to the Brice Nicholson home for Sunday dinner. Mrs. Martin Holmberg and Mrs. Joe Johnson attended a farewell party for Mrs. C. W. Carlson in the Mrs. Stine Johnson home Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Felt were in Lincoln for the fair last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Chambers, Dakota City, spent Thursday in the Jim Chambers home.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Carlson and David were in the Verdin Lund home Sunday evening for Gaylin's twelfth birthday.

Randy, Rhonda and Rita Olson were Friday overnight guests in the Ralph Ring home. Mrs. Walter Savige was there Sunday afternoon and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Smith and Amy, Sioux City, were Monday visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Chin were in Norfolk Sunday evening for a VFW Auxiliary meeting. Monday evening Mrs. Chin attended the local meeting in Wayne.

Friday dinner and supper guests in the Marvin Holmberg home were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ellison and fam-

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family. To continue the celebration, Friday supper guests were Mr. and Mrs. James Petrow, Mrs. Rose Dahlberg and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dahlberg, Sioux City.

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Mr. and Mrs. Keith Jech returned last Tuesday after spending a week with his mother, Mrs. Mary Jech, and other relatives in Kingfisher, Okla. While there they also attended Mr. Jech's high school alumni banquet.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Korth, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Carlson, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Beckman and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gatchie were fishing at Rush and Head Lakes, Minnesota, from Thursday until Sunday.

Last Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Neil Sandahl and family visited in the Gus Swanson home, Alton.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nagel and Roger Abiquiupe-N. M., were Tuesday supper guests in the Neil Sandahl home. There to visit them that evening were Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Dillon, Jr. and Michael Norfolk, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Bauer and Barbara, Wausa, and the Vic Kneische, Jr. family, Wyoming. The ladies are former college friends.

Wednesday supper guests in the Stanley Dahlberg home to celebrate his birthday were Mr. and Mrs. Warren Helgren and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Everett and

SCHOOL NEWS

District 18, Carroll
Mrs. Dorothy Forbes

Six pupils at our registered this year. They are Sheila Nelsen and Delmar Wacker, fourth grade; Bobby Harrison and Roger Nelsen, fourth grade; Rolenie Stahl, third grade; and Rayna Harmeyer, kindergartner.

Rolene has made a chart on the different kinds of homes she has been studying about. Bobby and Roger have begun their booklet, "Nebraska Is My Home," and are also making an Indian village. In English, Delmar and Sheila have been discussing good manners. Rayna is learning her numbers and the color names.

All are enjoying the nice clear schoolhouse, the new books and the new flags. We welcome parents and friends of the pupils to visit us.

District 64 *
Clara Heinemann

School began Sept. 4 with four pupils enrolled. They are, Billy Garelum, kindergarten; Linda Gust, second; Myron Gust, and Janice Giese, sixth.

The second grade has begun a unit on boats. We have many pictures of boats on our bulletin board, as well as a model boat. In science we are studying the earth, its people, climate, land, etc.

We have begun an English note book in sixth grade. Our first unit is on good story telling. In science we have learned what the scientist method is and how to apply it to our own problems.

We have discussed vacations and have a bulletin board on vacations we took this summer.

Everyone has written a story about himself. All the stories are now on a bulletin board entitled, "Getting To Know Each Other."

District 65
Mrs. Margaret Reeder

District 65 opened this week with 14 children enrolled. They are Sandy Moen, Teressa Diananda, Linda Juarez, Danny Grose, Rose Marie Kriester, Karen Grose, Tamra Mann, Joyce Grose, Larry Grose and Joyce Grimes.

The lower grades are spending much of their time in review. They have also done many drawings illustrating their class work.

Sharon Grose, an eighth grader, wrote a poem, "Sound on the Farm"; Joyce Grose and Tamra Mann received perfect scores on their spelling tests.

During art class we made a circus bulletin board. Each student cut out colored stencils showing different circus acts.

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