



Fall 1972

THE BEAM

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

by WØETA Chuck Brockmeyer

Timmy and I didn't get to Northwestern College until about 6:30 P.M., so were almost late for dinner. Charlie and Emily only beat us by about fifteen minutes so we had a Colorado reunion right there!

After dinner we retired to the main lecture hall for Greetings from Northwestern's President and a review of God's leading Northwestern College to the beautiful 87 acre campus with a mile of shoreline on Lake Johanna.

We then heard an excellent report on the success of the just completed Explo 72 in Dallas by Cheryl Peterson, daughter of WØEYL, Glen and Maybelle.

We had anticipated a report by WØJH George on Handy Hams. Unfortunately George had become ill and was unable to attend.

KØGAZ, Jay Sudenga and Dottie showed slides of their Caribbean Cruise and visits to Missionaries in that area. WØEYL Glen, showed pictures of previous conventions.

At 9:00 on Sat. morning, WA7MKH Amos Buckwalter brought a devotion from Ephesians 5:18 "...be filled with the Spirit."

WAØTFC, Karl Koppelman, from Cleveland, Minn. brought greetings, gave his testimony, and spoke briefly about "Handy Hams" a group sponsored by "The Minnesota Society for Handicapped Children and Adults." Karl is blind.

At 3:30 PM the staff of Northwestern conducted a tour of the college facilities and Radio Station KTIS studios.

At 6:30 PM the group gathered in the Blue Room Dining Hall and enjoyed a lovely meal. Jim and Louise Davies led in a sing-spiration and their own arrangements of "Ivory Palaces" and "God is so Wonderful".

President Gerry Brunk K4RBZ reminded us that there was a vacancy in our membership as a result of the passing of WB6IFK John Whitaker who went to be with the Lord May 22, 1972. (Just within the past few months, John had contributed his rather extensive file of "The Beam", "A history of the Midwest Section" and copies of the Midwest ARMS newsletter to the ARMS archives). We talked to him on May 21st on the Transcontinental Net. Gerry read a letter from his daughter.

The group then reassembled in the main auditorium to hear HC1RT, Roger Stubbe, report on his activities as Director of Engineering in engineering the

power generating stations (hydro and diesel), the 8 radio transmitters (510,000 watts total) and 21 antenna arrays at HCJB. (Heralding Christ Jesus Blessing) is attested to by the 113,000 letters received in the Quito office alone in 1971.

Sunday morning we were inspired and thrilled to hold our worship service in the Nazareth Hall Chapel -- Rev. Neale Thompson KØLHJ said, "I think of it more as a cathedral than a chapel" -- Pictures in the centerfold of Northwestern's Bulletin don't show the beauty of the red marble on the sides or back of the altar which was imported from North Africa and used the entire contents of that particular quarry. Nor do they show the grandeur of the 8 marble columns that support the roof structure that cost \$18,000 each in 1925 when the chapel was built.

At noon the weather continued to favor us and we enjoyed a tasty picnic dinner before saying goodbye to many friends we had come to know "by sight as well as by sound". We took another quick look at KTIS studios with a smaller group this time and then went on to Fergus Falls, Minn. to visit my old college buddy WØLUP.

Herman Hartzler K9YEO and his wife are planning to go to Spain as missionaries with the Gospel Missionary Union. He is to maintain and operate the tape recorders in their studio at Malaga which is used to produce radio broadcasts in the Arabic and Berber languages of Morocco. He needs some test equipment: 1) a multimeter, 2) a VTVM or equivalent, 3) an oscilloscope, 4) an audio signal generator, and 5) a distortion meter. Anyone who can help Herman in this can contact him at 6750 S. Green St., Chicago, Ill. 60621.

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New Members added since the convention in June:

WA7MX Y Roy M. Buell
WAØTFC Karl J. Koppelman
WA4WRY Lloyd J. Gosa Jr.
W8UAV Leroy Davis
WBØHJG Dean R. Nordell
WB6KGU Don Horneman
Rev. Al Bosenberg

A welcome to each one.

EXCERPTS FROM THE 1972 ARMS CONVENTION MINUTES

The 1972 ARMS Convention was held June 23, 24, and 25, 1972 on the beautiful 87 acre campus of Northwestern College on the shores of sparkling Lake Johanna, just north of St. Paul and Minneapolis at Roseville, Minnesota. The Convention was hosted by the Midwest Section with KØGAZ, Jay Sudenga, the Convention Chairman.

The meeting was called to order by President Gerry Brunk, K4RBZ. WA7MKH, Amos Buckwalter, led in a devotional period based on Ephesians 5:18 "...be filled with the Spirit."

The minutes of the 1971 meeting held at Harrisonburg, Virginia, were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR -- There was some discussion of the need for a Communications Coordinator but no action was taken.

STATUS OF CLUB STATION K3CBM -- KØELX, Mary, reported that she had word from W3BPJ, Horace, that K3JRD, George, has the ARMS equipment and has kept K3CBM licensed with himself as trustee. It is carried in the Callbook.

LETTER TO MEMBERS WHOSE DUES ARE IN ARREARS -- A letter was made up by the secretary and WØEYL, Glen, has mailed out copies to those we have not heard from since 1966.

ENCOURAGE CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS TO FORM CLUBS AND TRAIN HAMS -- The secretary reported that no action has been taken by ARMS as a group, but that a number of members have organized and taught some classes on their own.

ARCHIVES -- The secretary has sorted the material turned over to him.

DIRECTORY -- WØEYL, Glen, reported that a simplified and more easily updated directory based on the mailing lists was nearly ready for publication.

BROCHURE -- KØELX, Mary, reported that the brochure may be ready by fall and that WA4ZIZ, Earl, will arrange for printing.

TREASURER'S REPORT -- The Treasurer's Report was read by WØJAQ, Gene, and was accepted.

MID-ATLANTIC SECTION -- K2CAC, Al, reported that the section net is functioning much as last year according to the following schedule:

Mondays with K2AXO, Jack Buck, as NCS

Wednesdays with WB2ZNN, Penny Bonnema, as NCS

Fridays with W1FAT, Les Babcock, as NCS

K2AXO and K2CAC have had regular RTTY schedules with EL2F.



top row 1. to r. Wayne Kauffman, K4EGJ Elroy Kauffman, W0QCB Francis Fink, W0LSF Donald Peterson, K4RBZ Gerry Brunk, K0LHJ Neale Thompson, W0LIO Caleb Gustafson, WA7MKH Amos Buckwalter, W0JAQ Eugene Iliff, K0ELX Mary Rittgers, WA9ZWI Ralph Medford, Brent Hoff, K0ICG Joe Lillegraven, WA0TFC Karl Koppelman, K0RGO Ray Miller, Visiting Missionary, WA0OUY Ed Nordell, WA0NPH Russ Karsjens, WB0HJG Dean Nordell, WB9GGK David Hoff.

bottom row 1. to r. K0OAV Donald Berggren, W0ETA Charles Brockmeyer, K0GKR Charlie Cox, WA0DFT Arnie Kopischke.

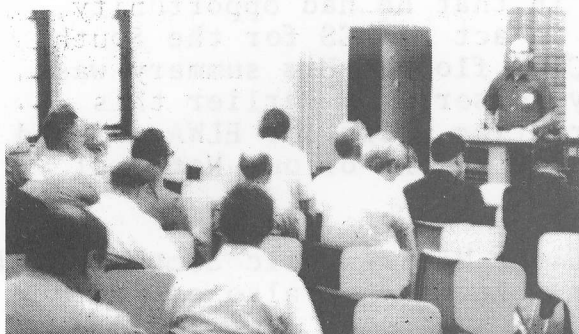
BANQUET -- Head Table

1. to r.

Joyce Stubbe
 HC1RT Roger Stubbe
 Janet Brunk
 K4RBZ Gerry Brunk
 K0GAZ Jay Sudenga
 Dottie Sudenga
 James Davies

not shown
 Louise Davies





President K4RBZ
Gerry Brunk



Secretary WØETA
Chuck Brockmeyer



Hand-i Hams WAØTFC
Karl Koppleman



1972 ARMS Convention

Picnic

Center KØGAZ Jay Sudenga
Convention Host

Left Joyce Stubbe
Wife of HC1RT

Right Timmy and
Chuck Brockmeyer WØETA



Al reported a rather unique experience in that he had opportunity, for a time because of band conditions, to act as NCS for the South Dakota Emergency Net during the Rapid City flood. His summary was "...praise the Lord for the opportunity to serve!" Earlier this year, Al was in Liberia setting up a printing press for ELWA and had the opportunity to attend the Liberian equivalent of our National ARMS Convention.

W2RJQ, Leonard Van Saun, is Chairman of the Mid-Atlantic Section, and K3RYV, Don Birx, is Secretary-Treasurer. Leonard is also editor of their section newsletter, "The Element".

NEW ENGLAND SECTION -- The New England Section is presently not organized and they have no active net. K1GUR, Harold Goss, was handling traffic daily into Bolivia until his home was broken into and his equipment stolen.

CENTRAL SECTION -- Not organized - no report.

SOUTHEAST SECTION -- No report.

MID-WEST SECTION -- WAØDFT, Arnie, Midwest Section Chairman, reported that the Midwest net has a group of five NCS who change off calling the net on Saturday mornings. KØGAZ, Jay, is their Communications Manager. The Midwest Section scheduled their election of officers following this business meeting. A brief discussion of the advantages that would result if the sections would have their elections a short time prior to the national meeting was held. If this were done, the Board of Directors, which is composed of the National Officers and the Section Chairmen, are in a good position to act at the National Convention. It was recommended that the Section Chairmen be so advised. The recommendation was favorably received.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECTION -- KØGKR, Charlie, read the following report of the Rocky Mountain Section which was prepared by WBØAKV, Ed.

During the past year check-ins on the Saturday morning 80 meter net have been excellent. We have averaged 12 check-ins. The lowest was 5 on Christmas Day and the highest was 18. Nine of our members checked-in more than 50% of the time and five of these more than 75% of the time.

Special recognition is given to KØYAR Warren who has been a member of ARMS longer than anyone else in the Rocky Mountain Section. He also checked in 46 times during the last 52 weeks.

Special recognition is given to WAØZYM Phil for initiating a ham training class for beginners and for checking in 45 times during the last 52 weeks.

Recognition is given to WØNIT Don for his work on the HW-12 project and for checking in 42 times during the 52 week period.

A commendation is given to KØUED Jack who has handled a great amount of missionary traffic -- regularity, persistence and patience seems to be what it takes.

During the past year five issues of the SPLATTER were produced and sent out. A big thank you to all who contributed information and articles to help make it a worthwhile paper.

Members of the Rocky Mountain Section have been contacting Ed Lind OA8AQ (Peru); Howard Morarie CP5BV (Bolivia); Dick Long 9M8FMF (Malaysia); Bud Crawford W4EES (North Carolina); the Waxhaw JAARS Net; the Halo Net; and the ARMS 20 Meter Net.

This year the Rocky Mountain Division of ARRL Convention was held at the Antler Plaza Hotel in Colorado Springs. More than 400 conventioners were enrolled and took advantage of the usual instrument displays, technical seminars, prize drawings and exhibits. Once again one exhibit was Christian oriented--The Amateur Radio Missionary Service. Chuck Brockmeyer, WØETA, was largely responsible for a very tasteful display depicting the Christian work of ARMS with local, regional and world maps along with reproduced copies of the BEAM, missionary letters and explanation of ARMS. In addition to the exhibit Chuck provided a radio amateur oriented sermonette Sunday morning, accompanied with free coffee and donuts with the assistance of Jack Huey, KØUED, and Phil Powell, WAØZYM. While 78 donuts and about 120 cups of coffee were being consumed Chuck, Jack and Phil circulated among the hungry group making personal contacts to stimulate interest in the work of ARMS.

Three special occasions have brought the Rocky Mountain Section together for an eyeball. One was a potluck dinner at the Brockmeyers on behalf of Bud Crawford W4EES who was vacationing in the area. The second was an Open House by the Brockmeyers at Christmas time. The third was the Annual Meeting of the Rocky Mountain Section at the QTH of the Hueys. At this time the following officers were elected for the coming year: Chairman - Jack Huey KØUED; Vice-chairman Warren Davis KØYAR; Secretary-Treasurer - Ed Andrews WBØAKV.

WEST COAST SECTION and NORTHWEST SECTION -- WA7MKH, Walt, reported for both sections. WA6WQT, Norm, and WB6IFK, John, changed off as NCS of the West Coast net until John passed away in May. WA7MKH and W7FQ, Emil, meet regularly near the top end of 40 meters (7290-7295). Walt also spoke for the Transcontinental Net on 14.307 MHz. at 1500 GMT as a good tie and clearing house for the sections.

ADDRESS CHANGES -- The group was reminded to let WØJAQ, Gene and WØEYL, Glen, know whenever they become aware of changes in mailing addresses so the records can be updated. The secretary was asked to contact the editor of the BEAM to insert a reminder to members to update incorrect addresses, and to insert a dues reminder in each issue of the BEAM.

K4RBZ reconvened the business meeting at 1:30 PM and the perennial problem of membership renewals came under discussion. During the year, the officers have exchanged correspondence on the subject and

ways and means of increasing new memberships and assuring renewals of old ones has been discussed. The following actions resulted from the conference discussion: 1. A renewal form will become a regular part of the Beam. 2. Acceptance of a new member becomes effective when the Treasurer sends the membership card. The action at the annual meeting is an acknowledgment of the membership. 3. The Treasurer will notify the President of new memberships and the President will initiate a congratulatory message.

THE BEAM -- Gerry reported that WBØAKV, Ed, had consented to be responsible for the next three issues... The Beam requires a great deal of effort. One of the problems is in gathering items for the Beam. It was moved and seconded that the Section Chairmen, either directly or through an appointed reporter, be responsible for reporting section activities on a monthly basis to the Beam editor. Motion carried.

CONSTITUTION and BY-LAWS -- It was moved and seconded that along with the printing of the brochure, the Constitution and By-Laws be reprinted to reflect the latest changes.

INVITATION FOR 1973 CONVENTION -- KØGKR announced that the Rocky Mountain Section had taken action at their meeting in May, to offer to host the 1973 Amateur Radio Missionary Service Convention in Colorado in July 1973. Probable dates - July 27, 28, & 29. It was moved and seconded that the invitation of the Rocky Mountain Section be accepted. Motion carried.

NEW MEMBERS -- The names of 31 new members were read. It was moved and seconded that they be accepted. Motion carried. WBØBCL Earl A. Graham, WA3BKM Glenn R. Shonk, ----- David Olson, VP1RB Edwin Blomberg, WB4QIZ Deryl B. Holliday, W8SZN William R. Finger, W1SBP Raymond C. Remington, WA8TUS John W. Elliott, WAØZON Roland J. Brunsma, WØOYF Herbert L. Banks, WB6UHA Donald F. Kinley, WB6VSW John Ott, WA7QQU Rev. Charles A. Knorr, KØQWO James W. Nelson, K4EJG Elroy W. Kauffman, XE3JE David Harms, WØEXL M. A. Powlishta, K8ZMC/6 Gary Burch, WA7NYU Frank E. Dunn, Jr., WN9GGK David A. Huff, WBØCRP Harold O. Bailey, WAØTPD David L. Immel, KØIYC Norville Sample, WBØGMR John G. Pegler, K7QEO Clarence E. Pierce, ----- Sylvia R. Carlson, W6WLS Joseph A. Ryan, WA6IGT/YV2 Darrell R. Nickolaus, W2TJO/Ø Thomas F. Brereton, W4GGE Elston Swanson, W8KGH Donald F. Carringer.

ELECTION RESULTS -- WØQCB, Francis, chairman of the election committee, reported on the results of the election. The officers for 1972-73 are: President - K4RBZ Gerry Brunk; V.President - KØGKR Charlie Cox; Secretary - WØETA Chuck Brockmeyer; Treasurer - WØJAQ Gene Iliff.

The meeting was closed with prayer by WØLSF, Don Peterson.