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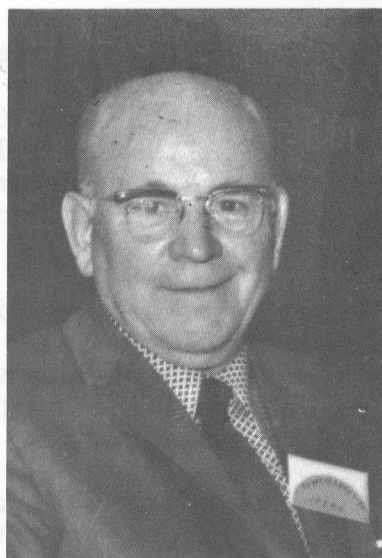
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Lloyd
Alford
VE3AX



PROMOTED TO GLORY

Ham radio has lost one of its finest Christian operators, in the person of the late Lloyd Alford....VE3AX of Lakeside, Ont. "Lloyd" was best known to many hams by the familiar "CQ The Sunrise Bible Study Group" as he would call to the frequency operators who would be interested in studying the Word of God together every morning on or about 3912 kHz. at 1130 GMT for the past nine or ten years.

Lloyd first became interested in amateur radio with a desire to have DX communication with his daughter Mrs. Marion Klassen who with her husband are serving with the Sudan Interior Mission in

Ethiopia. He was very interested in the ARMS net, and in essence the Sunrise Bible Study is an off shoot of that group.

Lloyd's original call was VE3CRG but because of his interest, care and Christian love for a sick ham in London, Ont. who had the call VE3AX, the family wanted Lloyd to have this call, when the friend passed on, and permission was granted by the authorities.

Lloyd was called to be with Christ doing what he loved best--participating in a Bible Study on the air, while convalescing from a heart attack. Surely he was "faithful unto death". Many ham friends from Ontario and various parts of the U.S. gathered to pay their respects for this Christian brother they had learned to love in Christ.

Many hams are hoping his widow "Edith" may find it possible to obtain the necessary qualifications and authority to operate the station under the same call letters--that again we might hear another familiar voice calling -- "CQ The Sunrise Bible Study Group this is VE3AX..."

(Many thanks to VE3CVN for providing this article and the picture)



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ARMS NETS

Eastern	M.W.F.	7 A.M. EST	3.907
Central	Thurs.	7:30 P.M. EST	3.907
Southeast	Thurs.	7 A.M. EST	7.260
Midwest	Sat.	8:30 A.M. CST	3.907
Rocky Mt.	Sat.	8 A.M. MST	3.907
West Coast	Sat.	11 A.M. PST	7.285
Cross Country Fellowship			
(Thursday)		9 P.M. EST	3.907
Transcontinental			
(Daily except Sun.)		10 A.M. CST	14.307
Halo Missionary Net		1 P.M. EST	21.390

ARMS Motto:

"...let us do good unto all men, especially unto the
household of faith." Galatians 6:10.

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"It all seems like a dream to
think I would be elected as pres-
ident of ARMS, when only a few
short years ago, while still strug-
gling along on CW, K2AXO would
so patiently copy me, then come
back with those encouraging words.

I feel really honored but plen-
ty scared. Still, I know that
"little is much when God is in it."
I am sure with the help of those
who are experienced we will get
the job done which God has laid
at our feet.

Since we who name His Name are
in Christ, let us lay hold on His
Promises, and each one spend just
a few minutes a day in prayer for
all ARMS activity.

Also, I trust that our members
can find it possible to fellow-
ship on the air...what a joy it
is to meet those of like prec-
ious faith on the ham bands."

Commissioned to Communicate,

Lloyd H. Alford

A 1974 edition of the ARMS Directory
will soon be printed. It will be
sent to all Stateside addresses.
Those persons with foreign addresses
may receive a copy by requesting it
from the Secretary, WØETA Chuck
Brockmeyer, 7135 S. Sherman, Little-
ton, Colorado 80122.

THE MINISTRY OF CAPSTAN

For thousands of years man was forced to rely upon his words and ingenuity alone to communicate with those around him. Today, however, science has given us an impressive array of communications tools. We at CAPSTAN are in the process of adapting this technology in order to communicate the most important message of all...the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!

CAPSTAN stands for "Christian Audio-Visual Production Services and Teaching Aid Needs."

We at CAPSTAN recognize the urgent need for printing in the Lord's work; not just the printing that is being done by our brethren on small offset duplicators, but artistically designed, multi-color printing that can compete successfully in the battle for reader attention.

CAPSTAN was organized for the specific purpose of building a team of communications people, furnishing it the necessary production tools and putting it to work on the task of creating audio-visuals for use in the Church, in the Bible classroom, in homes, on mission fields, in door-to-door evangelism, etc.

CAPSTAN envisions the beginning, some day, of a new type of school: a combination Bible College and Technical Vocations school. The major purpose of such a school would be that of providing an extensive Bible education for those young people who do not intend to enter the preaching ministry, but who want to use their lives for the Lord as active, competent workers in the local congregation and, at the same time, provide them vocational training which will equip them to earn a living as a productive member of the community.

CAPSTAN has been instrumental in arranging for a number of missionaries and ministers to receive flying instruction at a much reduced rate.

CAPSTAN personnel operate a ham radio transceiver which is used primarily to contact missionaries around the world and pass on up-to-the-minute reports from the field.

We are looking forward to having you as a very real partner in this challenging work. Please visit the CAPSTAN facilities whenever you are within driving distance of Checotah, OK.

(Thanks to W5SUH Ronnie L. Gamel, one of the CAPSTAN team.)

WB6OUS IS MAKING ITS VOICE HEARD

This Saturday, June 23, 1973, literally thousands of amateur radio operators all over the country will forsake their lawns and head for the lakes, hills, and mountains. The reason? Field Day 73. Each year the American Radio Relay League sponsors a contest to promote emergency preparedness and operating procedures by all "ham operators". Thus, individuals, groups, and clubs proceed to field sites such as a mountain top and set up one or more transceivers and attempt contact with as many hams in as many states as possible in a 27 hour period. It was just this kind of expertise and experience that provided the only source of communications with Nicaragua during that recent crisis.

Last year WB6OUS the Calvary Baptist Amateur Radio Club of Los Gatos, California, set up their field day site on a ridge above Saratoga, at about 1800 feet above sea level. The Calvary Club operated three separate stations on several different amateur bands and made 475 contacts in 46 states, Canada and the West Indies. This year the club will take to the hills again and set up antennas, a gasoline generator and four stations on the amateur high frequency and very high frequency bands.

The operators are: Will Haas W6DOM, trustee, Frank Nemec W6NJR, vice president, Charlie Mason W6NHG, president, Bob Hiebert WA6SME, vice president, all of San Jose, and Randy Wright WB6CUA of Castro Valley, assisted by Tom Ebert WN6SUL and Jeff Fiddes of Saratoga, and Rene Schleapfer, Phil Cook, Mike Conrad and Mark McLaughlin of San Jose. The Calvary Club hopes to better its score from last year and continue laying the groundwork for its eventual permanent set up on the ridge to provide better contacts with its own missionaries around the world.

(Many thanks to W6NHG Charlie Mason for submitting this article)

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The Eastern Section of ARMS met at Living Water Bible Conference on August 25, 1973 to discuss plans and possible sites for the 1974 ARMS annual meeting. Later action indicates that the 1974 meeting will be held at the JAARS Headquarters, Waxhaw, N.C. on July 26, 27 and 28th, 1974.

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On page 61 of the November 1973 issue of QST is a small report of the activities of W3EAN and W3EBY. It seems that on field day they used a National SW-30 receiver (1930 vintage) and a Bread Board transmitter using T.P.T.G. and 45 tubes. The transmitter blocked the receiver widely and they had difficulty determining the transmitting frequency. Sounds like good fun, though.