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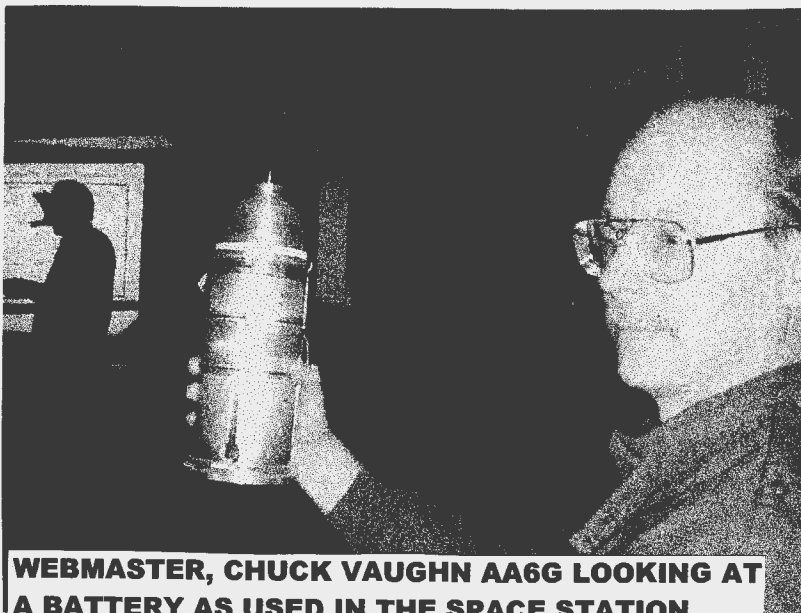
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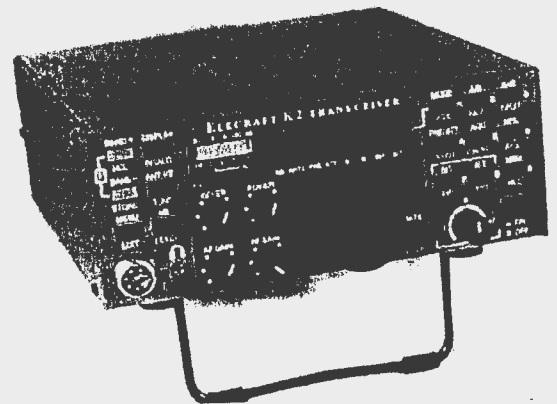
DXCC NEWS. The ARRL has announced that Wayne Mills, N7NG, will be the DXAC Chairman and that John Kanode, N4MM, will be the ARRL Board DXCC Liaison for 1999.

QSL CARDS AT LAST!

QSL CARDS ON THE WAY! The BOD and Officers approved printing of 10,000 Club QSL Cards. This long overdue project will again make available QSL's that spell out for the user that he or she is a proud member of the NCDXC. The cards will be almost identical to the last club card design, however they will be printed on stock that will be easy to print the call sign with name and address on the front. Another good thing is that the cost for these cards will be less than those in the past. The cards will sell for \$65.00 a thousand and adding your call and information will be another \$25.00. You will be able to purchase them in lots of 500 of course, but the cost of the additional printing will remain at \$25. I hope to have the finished product at the February meeting so that we can take your orders at that time. Also don't forget that you can purchase our club logo pins from the club also. If you do not have your membership badge or have not received your "years service" add on badge, be sure and let me know. New membership badges can be ordered through the club secretary.



WEBMASTER, CHUCK VAUGHN AA6G LOOKING AT A BATTERY AS USED IN THE SPACE STATION



February Program
Thursday Feb 11th
Elecraft Radios (New to the world)
by Eric Swartz, WA6HHQ
Our club repeater Chairman

N O R T H E R N C A L I F O R N I A D X C L U B

Club Officers:

President: Dick Letrich, W6KM
Vice Pres: Marilyn Bagshaw, N6VAW
Secretary: Jerry Bliss, K6III
Treasurer: Ted Park, K6XN
Director: Chuck Patterson, K6RK
Director: Chuck Vaughn, AA6G
Director: Ron Pantone, W6VG

The DXer:

Editor:

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AND CALL
COULD BE
HERE!

Printing, Mailing: Don Anastacia, AA6W
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Contests: Doug Westover, W6JD
California Award: Ruben Hughes, WA6AHF
Historian/archivist: Ron Pantone, W6VG
Records Manager: Ron Pantone, W6VG
Publications Mgr: Ron Pantone, W6VG

Club Repeater, W6TIR

Frequency/offset: 147.36 MHz, +
Trustee: Bob Vallo, W6RGG
Comm. Chairman: Eric Swartz, WA6HHQ
Club simplex: 147.54 MHz (suggested)
Thurs. Net QTR: 8 pm local time
Net Manager: Randy Wright, W6CUA
DX News: Dave Pugatch, KI6WF
Propagation: Al Lotze, W6RQ
Swap Shop: Ben Deovlet, W6FDU
QSL Information: Mac McHenry, W6BSY

W6TI DX Bulletins:

W6TI Station Trustee Bob Vallo, W6RGG, transmits DX information at 0200 UT every Monday (Sunday evening local time) on both 7.016 and 14.002 MHz.

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Menlo Park, CA
94026-0608

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President's Comments



I really feel sorry for those members of the club that live so far away that getting to a club meeting is nearly impossible to do. I also feel sorry for those that live so close and yet cannot get to club meetings because of health or limited night vision to drive. In this case everyone in the club loses. I am not sure just what we can do to help those that would be willing to attend if they could only get there. So with that in mind I am going to try and develop a Telephone Calling Committee. Lets see if we can lend a hand to our fellow Hams. I want to bring to your attention that our VP, Marilyn N6VAW goes out of her way to bring Bud Bane W6WB to the club meetings as often as she can. She takes the extra time to help a fellow Ham and that is a great attitude. Lets see what all of us can do. I will be calling around to see if I can put together about 6 members who in turn can do the local calling. The ideal Hams to do this of course are the very ones who could benefit mostly by getting rides to the meetings.

I am just a little green with envy....remember I reported that the Southern California DX Club lost their editor....well someone has stepped right up and they will make a smooth transition. If you want to see a real nice club bulletin, go over to our club website and link up to the SCDXC and look or print out their club newsletter the BULLETIN, it is fun to read. Our newsletter will not be on the clubs web site for awhile as I can only cut and paste and it cannot be put on the site. So another reason for a knowledgeable editor. This will explain why, if you requested to go totally electronic to receive your DXer you are now getting hard copy again. If you missed any issues please let Don AA6W know and he and I will attempt to replace any missing issues.

Speaking of our cousins to the south, they also have their Officers and BOD elections in February. One of the elected offices is "Membership Chairman", this is a good idea. Do you think that our club could use one also? Someone who would try and attend local Radio Club meetings with the sole purpose of recruiting future DXers? With all of the clubs in the immediate area it could be a real full time challenge. I am sure that between Brad W6WR and the listings in World Radio Magazine you could find quite a list of clubs to visit. Are you interested? Let me know.

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I got a real nice note from Smitty W6JZU with suggestions that we might be able to put a list of members that are willing to help others in the club if they need help with questions or suggestions relating to Ham Radio. I like the idea and it has great merit. More on this in the near future. Also in the future is the question of "Mail in voting", I feel that it would be interesting to see if we actually could get some feedback from the members out there...write in and let me know what you think. The Board will discuss it at the next BOD meeting (none planned at the moment). We are working on the DXER of the year at this time so be thinking about it. We are also putting together a committee for the election officers for next year. Again if you would consider becoming either an Officer or Committee member let us know. We have to many chiefs and to few Indians.

Did you know that our January Speaker, Gerald Tucker, WA6LNV gave a most interesting talk about the Space Station? Not only were his slides neat he brought along some of the hardware that he has been developing and is going to be used in the actual Station! Another fine presentation for the club. You cannot afford to keep missing these programs..Marilyn N6VAW has been just blowing us away with the program contents. Hey if you miss our February program, you are really going to be left behind. Erick WA6HHQ (our very own repeater chairman) will give us a real special presentation of the new Elecraft Rigs. He is a major player in the design, construction and sales of this modern new HF rig. I promise that if you miss this meeting you will be really left in the dust. Ya Got Ta C it!!!!!!

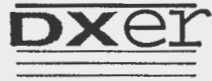
W6KM



DXER of the Year Nominations are now being accepted. Chairman this year is Glenn Vinson, W6OTC and you should send to him at his Roster address any nominees for that award. Deadline is March 15th, but do not wait until the last minute to make your nomination.



LEFT TO RIGHT, DAN KE6PQV, DAVE KA6BIM AND DAVE NT6K DROVE DOWN FROM MANTECA. DAN IS DAVES SON.



Pre-Registration Form

International DX Convention (Fresno) April 9-11, 1999

Banquet Meal Choice(s):

C = Chicken, P = Prime Rib, S = Salmon (Circle Below)

		<u>Meal</u>
Name _____	Call _____	C P S
Name _____	Call _____	C P S
Name _____	Call _____	C P S
Name _____	Call _____	C P S

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Country, USA or ? _____

Email address: _____@_____

Pre-Registration, Post Marked by 3-27-99, \$60.00 per person.--\$ _____

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-----Total-\$ _____

After 3-27-99 or at the Convention = \$65.00. -----Your Check # _____

Make check payable to: (NCDXC Convention 99.) --No cash please.

Mail this Form and payment to:

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Convention Location: Radisson Hotel & Conference Center,
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2233 Ventura St, Fresno, CA
Tel. 209-268-1000

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***Reservations MUST be made before 3/15/99,**

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Minutes of the BOD of NCDXC - 8 Jan 1999

Meeting called to order by the President, W6KM, at 6:40pm at the Sunnyvale Hauf Brau Restaurant. Present were W6KM, N6VAW, K6III, AA6G, K6RK and K6XN.

The President provided an agenda.

1. The BOD reviewed the proposed new NCDXC QSL Card. Two bids had been received. The lowest bid was \$65/1000 2-sided printing (in lots of 500). Members could have their call signs printed on the front for an additional \$25/1000. The BOD authorized the printing of 10,000 cards for the first printing.
2. The NCDXF (Foundation) solicited a donation from the NCDXC. The BOD voted to table this item until after the DX Convention and we better understood our financial position.
3. The BOD received a request from the Amsterdam Island Dxpediton operators to pay the way of two of the Dxpediton team from France to the DX Convention in Fresno. The BOD is willing to consider this request, however, would take the recommendation from the Convention Committee.

Membership is invited to contact the BOD to present their view on any and all of the subjects discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm.

Faithfully submitted, Jerry Bliss/k6iii, Secretary, NCDXC

Minutes of the NCDXC, 8 January 1999

The meeting was called to order at 7:50pm by the President, Dick Letrich, W6KM. There were 19 members present and 5 guests were introduced. They were AC6BW, KA6BIM, KE6BQV, NT6K & K6ZAN.

Vice President, Marilyn Bagshaw, N6VAW, introduce the program and speaker, Gerry Tucker, WA6LVN. She also previewed upcoming programs: February: WA6HHQ on a new HF rig kit he has designed and is marketing.

Gerry Tucker presented a comprehensive overview of the International Space Station with particular emphasis on the Power Systems; the area of his expertise and design. The first two launches of Space Station modules has already taken place. There are scheduled launches about every 6 months until year-2002. The station will be in a low orbit and easily visible to the naked eye; circling the Earth each 90-minutes. A fascinating program!

A short business meeting was conducted:

The November minutes approved as printed in the DXer

A first reading for Regular membership was conducted for Roger Miller, AC6BW who is sponsored by AD6E and W6ZX

The President reiterated the need for someone to step up as Editor for the DXer. The former Editor, Dave Earnest, K7JJ, has relocated to San Diego, CA.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20pm.

Faithfully submitted,

Jerry Bliss, K6iii
Secretary, NCDXC



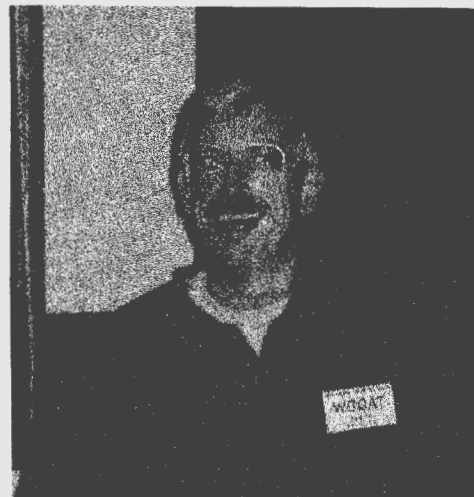
W6WB AND W6TWO ENJOYING AN EYEBALL QSO

DXer Editor Needed Now!
Please don't trample each other,
rushing to fill this most
important position!
Call or e-mail Dick, W6KM

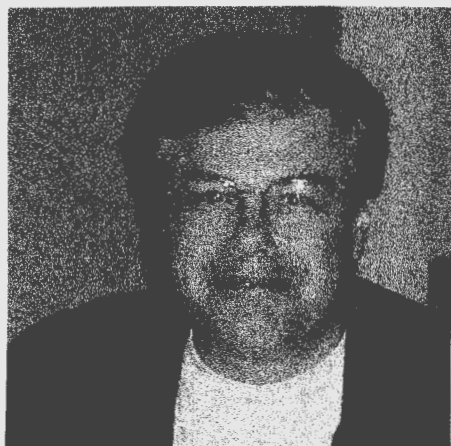
**PROSPECTIVE MEMBER ROGER MILLER, AC6BW
GIVING TED PARK, K6XN TRES. HIS APPLICATION**



3 GUYS SEEING WHO COULD EAT THE FASTEST



PAST PRESIDENT, RUSTY EPPS W6OAT



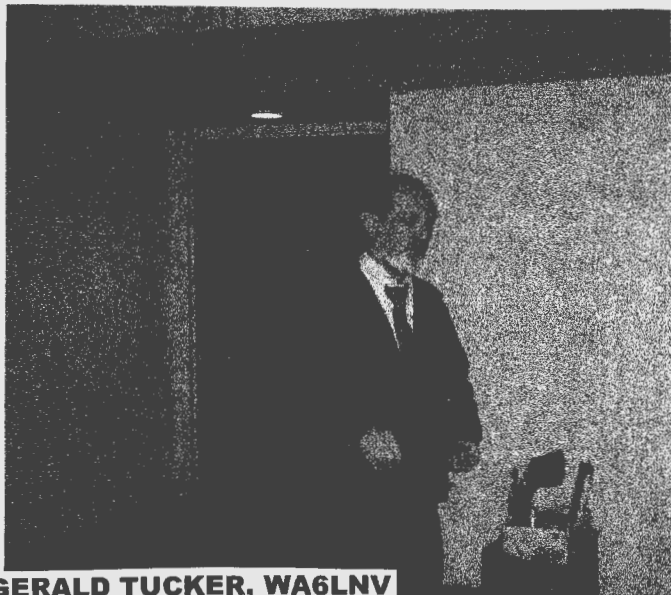
VISITING, AD6E ALAN MAENCHEN



K6ZAN, RALPH BUTLER AND NQ6X, BOB WILSON



PROGRAM PRESENTER GERALD TUCKER, WA6LNV



Jan 1999

NCDXC DX LADDER

CALL	HONOR ROLL			DX TOTALS				DX BAND TOTALS					OTHER BANDS				
	MIX	PH	CW	MIX	PH	CW	RTY	10m	15m	20m	40m	80m	160m	6m	12m	17m	30m
W6EKR		332			327			221	283	327	118	107			19	22	
W6KH	330			375				130	159	327	138	115		35			
W6XP	330	328		353	350												
K6RK	330	326	328	349	343	334		100	100	100	100	100	153				
JA1BK	329	329	329	329	329	329		100	100	100	100	100		100	100	100	
W6BSY	328	328		375	369												
W6ISQ	328	328	328	368	362	337		261	251	251	282	192	17		70	142	95
W6RJ	328			364				200	200	300	200	300	54				
K6MA	328	327	327	363	351	335		270	305	330	260	145	10		205	255	160
K6PU	328	328	318	361	352	326		200	200	300	200	100					
K5YY	328	328	326	359	356	335		174	239	349	222	283	174	42	13	82	14
N6HR	328			352				100	100	100	100	100	4		3	12	100
K6RIM	328			351													
W6LQC	328	328		350	350	89		100	100	100	100	100					
K1ER	328	322		344	339	301		212	252	340	218	123	1		110	146	133
WB6CUA	328	328	325	341	338	334		100	100	100	100	100					
K6LM	328	327	327	340	339	334		100	100	100	100	100	8				
W6IJ	328			336													
K6SLO	328	328		336	336	9	1	307	321	336	246	250	7	18	179	148	
WG6P	328	328	326	334	334	331	208	218	265	334	238	134	15		55	114	103
WA6TJM	328			333	261												
AJ6V	327			337	242	279		155	182	270	142	66	9				
K6MD	327			328		172		100	100	100	50	35	1				
K6DC	326			375	211	217		114	133	312	220	41			8	11	
KI6T	326	325		371	363	350		200	279	359	201	157	8		56	89	72
K6DT	326	325	325	359	343	335		301	315	349	272	170					
W6CF	326			355	294	185		204	239	306	178	138					
W6OAT	326			355	335	346		278	317	343	289	226					
W6ZKM	326	326		352	352			268	261	290	169	141					
K6UR	326			351				100	100	340	290	120					
WA6AHF	326	326		347	347		272	100	100	100	100	100					
W7XA	326			346				277	298	309	174	137					
W6HXW		326			344			164	236	332	2	1					
N6JV	326	319	326	342	330	335		270	252	302	259	210	114		170	204	185
W6TC	326		325	342		334		264	235	277	278	189	13		172	176	160
WB6ZUC	326		326	341	1	333		189	258	316	169	111					
N6ZM	326			339	267	242		144	180	255	145	132					
W6IEG	326	325		338	337			17	33	290	3	3					
W6OSP	326			335													
N6ST	326			335	313	275		209	244	307	149	84	2		4	1	1
KI6WF	326	326		328	328	170		266	307	326	173	130	6		33	72	2
W6TEX	325			330	289	304	155	100	100	100	100	100					
K6LQA	324			350													
W6NPY	324			341	200	300		100	100	100	100	100					
W6FAH	324	321		333	331	312		246	288	325	245	176					

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W6ZX	324			332	323	268	316	243	279	313	158	134	1		105	141	51
NI6T	324			330	320	326	214	247	280	322	300	248	156		195	246	243
W6YWH	324	324		329	329			146	195	266	172	128	5				
K6BIA	324			324													
W6BJH	323			349	192	313		120	117	187	117	100					
N7NG	323			348				244	273	315	244	163					
W6JD	323		320	342	241	330		121	200	337	247	67	2		22	104	119
K6XN	323			334	326	294		300	298	320	275	182					
W6DPD	323	323		332	332												
WZ6Z	323			331	316	299		217	248	311	255	174	24				
K6EL	323			328	177	317	1	134	158	199	134	92	11		2	15	5
AA6YQ	323			328	303	292	67	184	201	293	166	139		2	18	33	38
AF6S	323			323		319		270	294	308	228	149			145	205	120
K6WR	322	322		354	354			100	100	100	100	100					
K6KLY	322	322		330	330	16		254	212	227	130	110		72	3		
K6WD	321			337		289		100	100	100	100	65					
W6NW	321			326	324	100		100	100	100	26	6					
KG6AM	320			322	312	236		204	257	279	61	33					
N6OJ				344	275	105		157	234	310	133	52	11				
K6ANP				342	259	271	5	193	230	316	236	179	75		2	5	4
N6AN				339	288	287		281	281	307	177	118			68	100	41
W6JZU				331				75	115	255	22	12					
N6JM				328	315	287		231	253	295	163	103	18		8	19	37
WB6UOM				328	319	5		46	51	224	3						
WR6R				327	312												
K6LRN				325	238	285		106	138	273	133	48	14				
N6XU				324		314		141	161	228	140	94	6		3		5
NQ6X				323	321			100	100	100	100	100					
KG6I				322	297	304	122	198	230	303	231	182	137	13	115	191	181
AI6L				321													
WB6OTB				321													
K6UM				321	301	294		244	272	282	139	85	6	57	151	145	16
AH7G				318	317	200		215	300	317	155	150					
NW6P				316													
WB6GFJ				314	300	70		203	225	285	125	62					
NT6G				313	306	283											
WB6KJE				312	313	1											
K4UVT				313	249	175		65	112	293	88	24	2			8	
N6EK				312	271	285		211	252	287	192	87	14				
WA6BSS				310	310	3		143	177	250	59	26					
W6JOX				310			310										
K6ZUR				310	97	308		155	182	237	175	102					
KN6J				309	301	287	245	218	210	200	152	165	108				
KG6LF					307			182	146	214	82	92	6				
W6GM				306	305	1		109	125	187	125	116					

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WA6CTA				305		286		135	154	246	86	11	9		14	61	67
KI6YB				302	285	244		152	217	271	34				57	91	
AA6MV				300	293	259		183	196	264	127	44					
KE6WL				295	259	266		218	245	273	179	69	8			5	13
K6OP				285													
KD6GC				282	42	216		5			2						
KC6ESL				281	281			195									
N6OND				281	209	72		173	119	110	51	7	2		7	16	73
W6EE				280	260												
KA6ING				280	279	93		279	2					53			
AB6ZV				278	272	132	48	150	155	248	141	163	9		36	42	20
W6WA				275	199	200		129	131	140	131	102	12		2	8	11
W6EKR/M				268				101	221	176	4	3					
W6SYL						265											
W7BX				263				86	140	157	66	17	2	1	2	8	7
N6OJ/QRP				256				111	149	236	86	21	10				
WW6D				248	121	225		84	134	188	93	40					
AJ6T				247	183	201		130	147	153	163	96	103	8	3	18	35
AD6E				245	2	245		117	134	178	116	32	3			3	1
WA6O				235				89	52	144	3	19					
KA6BIM				221	216	116		138	161	181	71	44	10			1	3
K6AFL				213	195	18		31	16	110	36	6			2	12	
N6LTN					213												
AB6EQ				212	200	96		104	60	173	36	1			16	13	8
KB6MXH				211	130	185		104	110	116	9				7	6	1
AA6TA				208	200	20	45	93	54	97	1				3	11	
N6VAW				208	186	116		61	34	100	20	1					
W6NF				195	127	105		1	5	187	27					6	6
AA6LF					186			93	79	149	10	1					
AA6TD				178	95	125		90	55	101	39	3	1				
KO6MX				165	161	6		32	43	134	18	12					4



**W6YD, GEORGE ALLAN, PAST PRESIDENT
1999 CONVENTION CHAIRMAN AND ALL
AROUND CLUB SUPPORTER.....**



FCC Issues 5-MHz Experimental License To ARRL (January 21, 1999) -- The FCC has issued an Experimental Radio Service license to the ARRL to permit two-way tests in the vicinity of 5 MHz--the most likely site of the next amateur HF band. The license, bearing the call sign WA2XSY, was issued January 8. A group of 15 current amateurs in various parts of the US and the Caribbean will conduct experimental, two-way RTTY and SSB transmissions within the band 5.100 to 5.450 MHz. To avoid interfering with existing services, the participants will confine their operations to the least-populated 50-kHz segment.

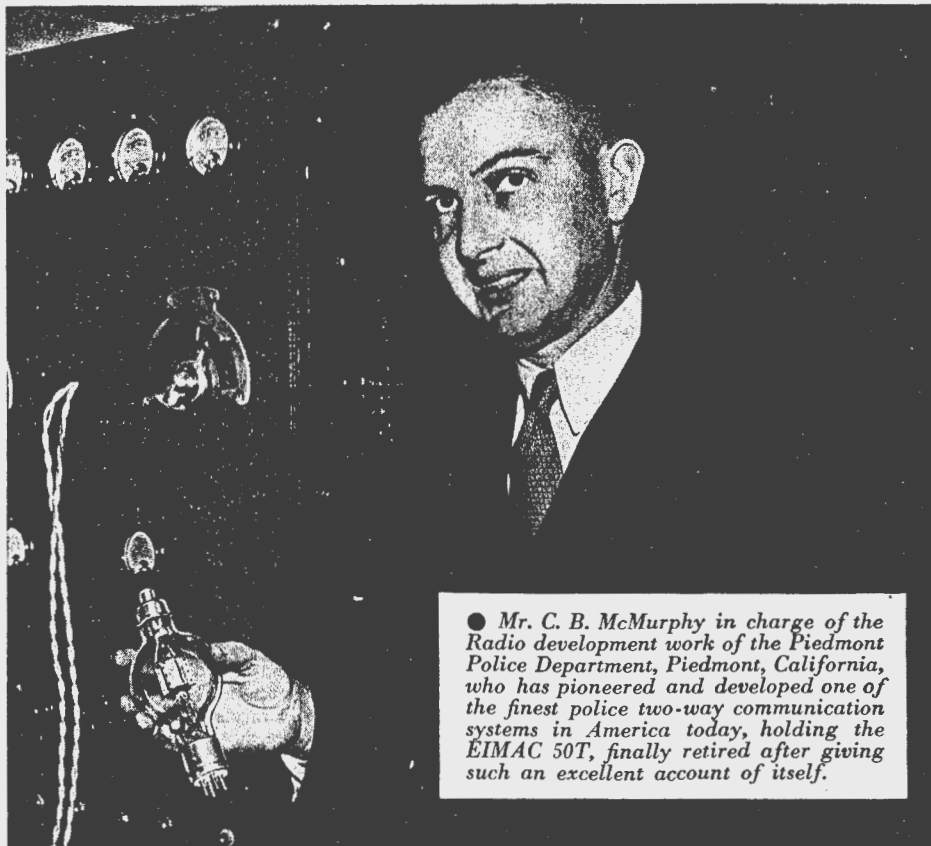
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	Phone	CW	RTTY	
W6BSY	375	K16T	W6ZX	316
K6DC	375	W6OAT	W6JOX	310
W6KH	375	W6ISQ	WA6AHF	272
K16T	371	K6DT	KN6J	245
W6ISQ	368	N6JV	NI6T	214
		K6MA	WG6P	208
W6RJ	364	K5YY	W6TEX	155
K6MA	363	WB6CUA	KG6I	122
K6PU	361	K6LM	AA6YQ	67
K6DT	359	K6RK	AB6ZV	48
K5YY	359	W6TC	AA6TA	45

Jones Radio Handbook



● *Mr. C. B. McMurphy in charge of the Radio development work of the Piedmont Police Department, Piedmont, California, who has pioneered and developed one of the finest police two-way communication systems in America today, holding the EIMAC 50T, finally retired after giving such an excellent account of itself.*

This **EIMAC 50T** was finally retired after 12,500 hours of grueling 24 hour a day service in a 9 meter police transmitter **W6XBF.**)

Just another example of the stamina and unusually long life built into each and every **EIMAC** tube.

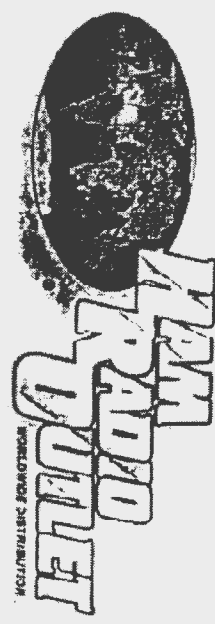
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