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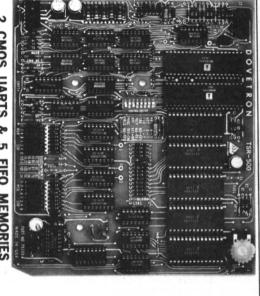
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From The Editor and his Mail



The JOURNAL is growing. The most recent count shows that we now send the JOURNAL to 105 FREE Countries and 3 communist controled countries. Plus of course every state and possession of the United States. And we have had an increase of 18% in our subscribers.

With the new postal regulations now in force, and wanting to increase the size of the JOURNAL you will see that we have went to a second class mailing permit. After a sampling of 35 subscribers located in various areas of both our country and some foriegn count ries we found that the delivery was almost as good as first class in most cases. You will also note some change in the subscription rates for foriegn countries. We have established one additional distributor in Italy and in Spain. We are looking for someone in Australia that would like to handle this job "Down There". The way this works is like this. we can bulk airmail say 50 copies to Australia for about \$2.50, now if we had a person there to remail at the first class rate there it would mean a great savings for that area. The old rate was \$8.00 per year for airmail, the U.S postage was \$8.60 per year or a loss to the JOURNAL of 60¢ per subscriber. With a person to redistribute in that country the annual rate would be about \$5.00 for airmail service from this country under the new rate system airmail to that and other countries had to be increased to \$12.00 per year. So any one that would like to handle this in that part of the world should get in contact with this office for details. You will not make a fortune but you will be well paid for your trouble.

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GREETINGS TO ALL.....

With the BARTG contest well out of the way, it is now timw to knock the bugs out of the gear and get things rolling for the 7th Scandinavian Amateur Radio Teletype Group Contest. Inadverfrom last months JOURNAL. I apologize and will do all that I can to see that this doesn't happen again.

Some comments from operator's logs from BARTG CONTEST. "Great fun and a splendid opportunity for remote people like myself in 9M2 to meet new stations and new countries. I found the participants helpful and courteous. No senseless pile-ups though it was very tough as a beginner with no tuning indicator except a keen ear for 2125 Hz -9M2CR

"Lost my beam in a windstorm a week ago so the signal wasn't the best here. I think I qualify for the James Bond award as I received 8 number 007." --WAOTAS.

"On several occasions there were at least five stations from a large south European country running long CQ tapes which effectively blanked out most of the band and nearly all the weak DX -this is both unnecessary and boorish." --G8LT

"Very good contest, lots of activity, keep up the good work." -- K5ARH. Who's who? With the many new calls

that are appearing on the band here in the US with the N calls we will publish your new and old calls so that your old friends will be able to keep. up with the changes.

Reminder: We plan to publish the RTTY DX HONOR ROLL in the December issue. Please try to have your totals of worked-confirmed in to me by the end of October. No list is required just the usual two numbers.

WAC on 20 Meters

G2ALE, Addis Combe Amateur Radio Club completed their contacts all during the BARTG Contest at 1749 GMT, on 27/3/77 while working ZS6BLV. The club will be issued certificate #43. GW3IGG, J.P.G.Jones completed his WAC on 20 meters during the BARTG Contest, His was achieved while contact-27/3/77. He will receive certificate #44.

The RTTY JOURNAL will issue WAC certificates which will not be numbered so anyone wishing a certificate please send in your cards with return postage for the return of your cards.

The following stations will receive these WAC Awards: SM6ASD, 9HLEL, G3ZRS and OKIMP, Congratulations.

Again this month I have the sad task of reporting that another faithful RTTYer has joined the list of silent keys. OHONI, Sigurd Mansnerus, known to most as "Sigge", was drowned in a boating accident. Also with Sigge was a son.

VK7TM Tom is now in Tasmania with a model 15 on 50 band. Tom reports that he is working on a VART speed control device for easier copy. He can copy 45 band at present. Look for Tom on around 0600z or there abouts.

WA2VCZ, Jack in New Jersev reports working A4XFW sorry that I didn't get a time or a date.

8P6AY has been working on the West Coast with fair signals QSL via K4ZS. During the middle of the month several stations in Sardinia were worked from the West Coast.

DUIAP, Tony, from outside of Manila was seen on the band briefly in June. The ARRL field day week-end was quite a wild one for RTTY'ers with stations being worked in W6-land from Europe and Australia at the same time. This station worked five Continents during that week-end. We are still looking for Africa for WAC.

BARTG

The results of the 1977 BARTG Contest results are in and to quote Ted Double G8CDW, "the best yet," This was the result of a number of factors, the main one being a period of improved conditions prior to and during the contest and these conditions produced contacts by both long and short path routes at the samr time of day. In several cases European stations were making GSO'S WITH THE Far East and with other European stations within minutes of each other. The band conditions remained good until well into the second day by which time a general move towards the lower frequencies became evident. Another factor was the appearance of a number of rare DX stations and this has been reflected in the large number of QCA awards which have been issued as a direct result of contest participation.

Our sincere congratulations go out to Bernie, CTIEQ for his remarkable efforts in achieving first place and this was a just reward for all the hard work he put in while preparing for the contest. The same was also certainly true of Jeff ,9H1EL operating from Malta. At times it seemed as if they were having a private battle with each other! I5WT in third place has improved on his placing of 4th position in last years contest. A special mention must go to Dave, G3YYD for his fine efforts by operating in a contest where G calls have not been prominent in recent years. Alsowe extend a welcome to Nolen, K5ARH as the top contender from the U.S.

As a result of the increased interest in the RTTY mode, the number of enteries was much higher than last year, showing an increase of over 40% and the number of contacts made by leading stations increased by about

The number of stations that worked WAC was over 31 including 3 short wave listeners.

The number of recorded countries that were active during the contest was 59, and included: Aaland Islands, Alaska, Argentina, Asiatic Russia, Australia, Austria, Barbados, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Canary Islands, Czechoslovakia, Chili, Cuba, Denmark, England, France. both Germanies, Hawaii, HongKong, Hungary, Iceland, India, Israel, Italy, Jan Mayen Island, Japan, Jordan, Kuwait, Latvia, Malaysia, Malta, Mexico, Monaco. Netherland Antilles, Newfoundland, New Zealand, Nothern Ireland, Norway, Okinawa, Oman, Paraguay, Portugal, Sardinia, Scotland, Sicily, South Africa, Spain. Sweden. Switzerland. Turkey. United States, Uruguay and Venezuela.

The majority of logs were well written, but again the summary of times on and off the air was missing on some entries and this caused a great deal of extra work. It may be a qualifying condition in future contests that the

time summary is completed.

All in all a most successful event. One which has once again been generally accepted as one of the major events in the RTTY calendar. Despite requests for assistance, the whole operation has once again been a "one man" effort and at the date of these notes some 150 hours have been spent since the contest on the hard graft and it is hoped to have most of the certificates sent out in a month or so. Even so my thanks to all of those who took the trouble to take part and a special thank you to Eric, G3ITR whose publicity via GB2ATG was a major factor in creating the much better support from the G membership this year.



CARTG

The Canadian Amateur Radio Teletype Group (VE3RTT) sponsors the 17th annual W/W RTTY DX "Olympics 22" Sweepstakes.

- 1. When October 22nd, 0200GMT to October 24th, 1977 Ø2ØØ. Not more than 30 hours of operation is permitted. Nonoperating periods can be taken at any time during the contest. Summary of times on and off must be submitted with score.
- 2. BANDS all amateur bands 3.5 to 28 MHZ.
- 3.- COUNTRY STATUS ARRL country list - KL7, KH6 and VO to be considered as separate countries.
- 4. CLASSIFICATIONS (a) single operator (one transmitter)
- (b) Multi-operator (one transmitter)

(c) SWL Printer

Individual operators of multi-operated stations may submit their logs singly instead of a group log.

- 5. MESSAGES Message number, time GMT and zone
- 6. EXCHANGE POINTS (a) All two way RTTY QSO's with own zone 2
- (b) All others will receive points listed in zone chart (same chart as last year)
- (c) Stations may not be contacted more than once on any one band. Additional contacts counted on different bands
- 7. MULTIPLIERS Each country contacted including ones own on each band e.g. If one country worked on 3 bands three multipliers given each u.s.a. and canadian district

will be considered a separate

country

8. SCORING -total exchange points X number of countries worked X number of continents (map 6). Canadian Bonus points added last - 100 bonus points for each VE/VO contact on all bands. Use separate log sheet for each band. Log sheets and zone charts available for SAE or IRC's. Logs must be received before December 1st 1977 in order to qualify.

THE "C.A.R.T.G." MERIT AWARD The original "CARTG" merit award was created in 1967 to be presented

to the Amateur chosen for his outstanding contribution to the art of Amateur Radio Teletype Communications. It need not necessarily be confined to technical contributions but recognition of any outstanding achievement in the world.

RTTY experimental work, RTTY technical articles, traffic handling or net organizing operation - RTTY, DX for world-wide good will. Assistance to the blind or handicapped in RTTY, Or for any other outstanding RTTY act or achievement.

A plaque has been offered for this award, complete with engraving and the 'CARTG' is pleased to request the names of suggested qualifiers to be sent in for consideration. Recommendations should be sent to: 85 Fifeshire Road, Willowdale, Ontario, Canada M2L 2G9 or to Alan Venning, VE7LL, 6171 Brantford Avenue, Burnaby 1, British Columbia, Canada, V5E 2T8.

ALL VE/VO on RTTY

RULES

- 1. Contacts must be two way RTTY only, any date.
- 2. Award will be a certificate, numbering from one.
- 3. There is no charge for the award, but the necessary QSL cards are to accompany the request. These will be returned.
- 4. An official of a RTTY Group or -Society may inspect and send in a signed list of such QSL cards, including all pertinent information (in place of sending the actual QSL's) Send all requests to:

THE CANADIAN AMATEUR RADIO -TELETYPE GROUP VE3RTT

85 Fifeshire ROAD, Willowdale, Ontario, Canada M2L 2G9.

There's a rumor afoot that the letters D.C. after the word Washington stand for darkness and confusion.

EUROPE

The Deutscher Amateur Radio Club (DARC) has the honor of inviting amateurs all over the world to participate in the European DX Contest. 1. CONTEST PERIOD: ØØØ1 GMT.Saturday, 12 November to 2400 GMT Sunday 13 November 1977.

- 2. BANDS: All bands 3.5 thru 28 MHZ. 3. CLASSIFICATIONS: Single operatorall band; Multi-operator-single trans-
- 4. REST PERIOD: Only 36 hours of operation out of the 48 hours are permitted for single operator stations. The 12 hours of NON OPERATION may be taken in one, but not more than three periods anytime during the contest. 5. EXCHANGE: A contest QSO can only be established between a non-European and a European station. The usual five or six digit serial number RST report plus a progressive QSO number starting with ØØ1.
- 6. POINTS: Each QSO will count one (I) POINT. A station may be worked once per band, Each confirmed QTC given or received-counts 1 point (see) BELOW). below).
- 7. MULTIPLIERS: The multiplier for non-European stations is determined by the number of European countries worked on each band. Europeans will use the last ARRL countries list. IN addition, each call area in the following countries will be considered a multiplier: JA, PY, VE, VO, VK, WK, ZL, ZS and VA90.

The multiplier on 3.5 MHZ may be X by 4.

The multiplier on 7.0 MHZ may be X by 3.

The multiplier on 14/21/28 MHZ may be X by 2.

- 8. SCORING: The final score is the total QSO points plus QTC points .. multiplied by the sum total multipliers from all bands.
- 9. QTC TRAFFIC: Additional point credit can be realized by making use of the QTC feature. A QTC is a report of a confirmed QSO that has taken place earlier in the contest and later sent back to a European station. It can only be sent from a non-european

station to a European station.. The general idea being that after a number of European stations have been worked. a list of these stations can be reported back during a QSO with another station. An additional one(1) point credit can be claimed for each station reported(note special regulations for RTTY, see #13). a) A QTC contains the time, call and QSO number of the station being reported, i.e: 1300/DAIAA/134. This means that at 1300 GMT you worked DAIAA and received number 134.

b) A QSO can be reported only once and not back to the originating station. c) ONLY a maximum of 10 QTC's sent. station is permitted. You may work the same station several times to complete this quota. Only the original contact, however, has the QSO point value.

d). Keep a uniform list of QTC's sent. QTC 3/7 indicates that this is the 3rd series of QTC's sent and that 7 QSO's are reported. Europeans may keep the list of the received QTC's on a seperate sheet if they clearly indicate the station that sent the QTC's. 10. CONTEST AWARDS: Certificates to highest scorer in each classification in each country, reasonable score provided. Continental leaders will be honored also. Certifications will be given to stations with at least half the score of the Continental leader.

11) DISQUALIFICATION: Violation of the rules of this contest, or unsportsmanlike conduct, or taking credit for excess ive duplicate contacts will be deemed sufficient cause for disqualification. The decisions of the contest committee will be final.

12) LOGS: It is suggested to use log sheets of the DARG or equivalent. Send large size SASE to get the wanted log and summary sheets (40 QSO's or

QTC's per sheet.) 13. SPECIAL REGULATIONS FOR RTTY: In the RTTY section of the European DX Contest also contacts between all continents and also one's own continent are permitted and count one (1) point per QSO. Multiplier will be counted according to the European and ARRL countries list. QTC traffic is allowed between all stations (sent and received), but not between stations in the same country. SWL logs are appreciated for according rules.

EUROPEAN COUNTRIES LIST.

14. DEADLINE: RTTY, December 1st. C31-CT1-CT2-DL-DM- EA- EA6-F-FC- G-CCGUER-GC JER-GB-GI-GM-Shetland-gw-HA-HB9-HBØ-HV-I-IS-IT JW Bear - JW - LA - LX - LZ M1 - OE - OH - OHØ - OJØ - OK ON - OY - OZ - CA - SM - SP - SV SV Crete - SV Rhodes - SV Athos TA1 - TF - UA1,3,4,5, - UA2 - UB5 UC2 - UN1 - UO5 - UP2 - UQ2 - UR2 - UA Franz Josepf Land - YO YU - ZA - ZB2 - 3A - 4 U1 - 9 H1 CRITERIA FOR THE AWARDING OF CERTIFICATES AND TROPHIES IN THE WAEDC

1. MINIMAL REQUIREMENTS for a certificate or a trophy are 100 qso's or 10,000points. In addition, at least one of the following conditions must be fulfilled.

A) CERTIFICATES

- a) TOP score in a country respective district.
- b) In countries or districts with high participation, an additional certificate

will be given for each full block of ten participants.

- c) Members of the top ten or top six (multi-op) lists.
- d) Continental winners.
- e) Stations with at least half the score of there Continental winners.
- f) Participants with at least 250,000 points.
- B. TROPHIES
- a) Continental winners in the single operator category are awarded a plaque.
- b) Continental winners in the multioperator category will be awarded a plaque if they have at least 100.000 ner in the single operator category in their continent.
- c) A station may receive a plaque in the same category only once within a three year period.
- d) Special plaques will be presented to all members of the top ten (six if they have been in this list for at least five times.)
- e) The WAEDC Committee reserves the right to honour outstanding achievements in the contest by additional plagues.



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Well here we are...entering into the second issue of our VHF RTTY NEWS. It has been fun but.... the responses from our readers, so far, has not been exactly overwhelming, to say the least. I do hope, that everybody will agree that this column will be interesting only, if we have outside information from all of YOU out there. And, not only in this country, but from all over the world where there are teletypewriters! I felt a little hurt to my pride. when I found that the only inputs I had, so far, were from foreign countries!! Come on, my fellow Americans, let's rally up to it and show that we too can write. Any unusual activity will do. I know that there is a lot of interesting things happening in the RTTY WORLD.

For instance; the other day I was quietly working on a project in my shack when the SEL CAL started up and printed out my answer to a call. Don, W6KCW came back printing that he is on his way over to see me and that he is "mobile in motion."

I looked at the print in disbelief, as I knew that good old Don, our erstwhile Editor and Publisher, had been mobile, teletype before(with an extention cord tied to his garage and house current). I answered him back asking where he was, thinking still of that extension cord. Back he came, with perfect print, saying that he is on Freeway number five about twenty miles from my house, and no... he did not have an extention cord running from his house, as I had suggested.

All of this hit me right in the bottom of my stomach and made a warm feeling all over. Here was history in the making. Old Don really was mobile in motion with his teletype. He was using a Mite and a ST-5 terminal unit with a home brew converter and power

supply that ran off of the battery of his mighty Fiat automobile. Now how about that!!

About that time our DX Editor, Ship,

About that time our DX Editor, Skip, WB6CYA broke in to get into the historical moment and we had a three way robin going that was as fine a QSO as I have ever had with Don and Skip. It just goes to show that teletype in motion is really practical and can be done, even in a car (tiny though mighty) like Don's. I have included a picture of his set-up so you will believe it. A picture is worth a 1000 words. To top it off Don says that he will be doing more of this "teletype in motion" bit all over the country, so --- watch out and smile --- you too may be on teletype in motion.

Good news from the British Isles!! The British Amateur Radio Teleprinter Group of 89 Linden Gardens, Enfield, Middlesex, England is going to run a VHF distance contest on 144 and 432 MHRZ. The date and times for this contest will be: September 10, Saturday between 1800-2300 GMT, and September 18th,1977 at 0700-1200 GMT. Information on the rules and regulations for this contest may be obtained from Ted Double at the above address. This sounds like a lot of fun, for sure. Ted has done a lot of excellent planning.

Our publisher, Don, W6KCW, and I have been doing some planning on just such a contest here in the U.S. using VHF frequencies. We will keep you informed thru this column, as it develops. We sure hope that Ted,G8CDW will keep this editor informed on the progress of his contest and how things worked out, how many participants, and who the winners are with their respective scores. It will be fun to compare our results with those of Teds' contest.

Modification of the Kenwood TS-820 for AFSK____

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MODIFICATION OF THE KENWOOD TS-820 FOR AFSK RTTY OPERATION WITH 500 HZ CW FILTER.

With the 500 Hz. CW filter (Kenwood Part Number YG-88C) installed per Paragraph 6.2 (Page 34 of the TS-820 Operating Manual) and with the moveable connector IF2 installed in Location B per figure 25 (also on page 34 of the operating Manual), narrow shift (170 Hz) standard tones (mark 2125 and Space 2295) may be received thru the TS-820 with the mode switch set to the FSK position.

To operate the TS-820 in an AFSK configuration, it is necessary to transmit with the Mode Switch in LSB.

because when in transmit, the FSK position of the TS-820 generates its own carrier internally, which in turn is meant to be FSKed (not AFSKed).

The following modification permits AFSK operation in both LSB and FSK. The modification itself converts the FSK position of the Mode Switch to a second LSB mode, but with the 500 Hz. filter in the bandpass instead of the 2400 Hz SSB filter.

After modification, AFSK RTTY may be transmitted ineither the LSB or FSK position of the Mode Switch, and as before, may be received in either position also.

MODIFICATION With the top and bottom covers removed from the TS-820, locate the front panel Mode Switch, S-6. Although the switch consists of 5 wafers with 10 different switch sections, Kenwood only utilizes 8 of them. Of these 8, only 5 need be modified.

For the sake of this modification, the deck closest to the front panel will be referred to as Deck 1. The last deck on the switch will be Deck 5. With the TS-820 right-side up, and starting with the front-most deck:

DECK 1 TOP: Locate diode D2 on switch and install jumper across diode.

DECK 2 TOP: No change.

DECK 3 TOP: No change.

DECK 4 TOP: Terminal 5 has no connection on it. Install a jumper from this terminal to terminals 3 and 4 which have a blue wire connected to

DECK 5 TOP: No change.

Turn the TS-820 upside-down and modify the bottom side of the Mode Switch in the following manner. Again, Deck 1 is closest to the front panel.

DECK 1 BOTTOM: Clip the two wires (one is black and the other is white with a red tracer) from the switch terminal. Reconnect the two wires together, but not to the terminal.

DECK 2 BOTTOM: Clip the white/purple -Tracer wire from its terminal and tie back so that it cannot short to anything else. Add a jumper from this terminal to the terminal just to the left of it (looking from the front of the TS-820).

DECK 3 BOTTOM: Clip black wire from its terminal and tie back so that it cannot short to anything else. Add a jumper from this terminal to the terminal just to the left of it (looking from the front of the TS-820).

DECK 4 BOTTOM: No change.

DECK 5 BOTTOM: No change. With the TS-820 still upside-down, locate the X43-1110-00 board. This is the "voltage-divider" board in the center and towards the rear of the transciever.

Locate the orange wire that is wirewrapped on Terminal FSB of this board. Cut the wire loose from the FSB terminal and tie it back so that it will not short to other terminals or components.

This completes the modification of the TS-820 for narrow-filter AFSK RTTY operation with the Mode Switch in the FSK position.

Replace the TS-820 in its cabinet. OPERATION

When the front panel Mode Switch is now placed in the FSK position, the TS-820 is actually in LSB (lower sideband) and the CW (500 Hz.) Filter is switched into the IF section in place of the SSB 92400 Hz.) Filter.

Connect the TS-820's PHONE PATCH OUTPUT to the audio input of the TU. Connect the TS-820's PHONE PATCH INPUT to the AFSK output of the TU.

The tones of the AFSK Tone Kever in the TU should be set for 2125 Hz. Mark and 2295 Hz. Space, which is 170Hz. narrow-shift.

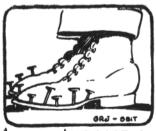
Tune up the TS-820 in the normal manner, switch to the LSB and set microphone gain for 50 watts output. as read on a good quality in-line watt-

Switch to the FSK position. If power output drops slightly (because of additional attenuation thru the 500 Hz. CW filter), increase microphone gain slightly for 50 watts output.

When in Receive, the Passband Tuning (IF Shift) will normally be set at 10 o'clock when using the LSB position and ZERO (straight up) when operating the FSK position.

Generally, AVC should be turned OFF for lowest error-rate copy on marginal signals.

The internal Audio Monitor may be used to "keep track" of the Memory, CW-IDer, etc.



COULDN'T RAISE A SOLE TONITE, OM

Special note

I wish at this time, to express my sincere thanks to the new publisher Mr. Don Crumpton, W6KCW for his permission to make the reprints of the RTTY JOURNAL.

Also a special thanks to the past .. publishers Mr. Dusty Dunn W8CQ and Mr. Merrill Swan W6AEE, to the RTTY Society of Southern California, and to all the past Editors and Authors, whom without their permission these reprints would not have been possible. To Irv Hoff W6FFC for the fine articles he has written, and also thank you Mr. Ed Phillips W6IZJ for your kindness in letting me use your original copies to complete my file, and to Merrill Swan again for taking the time to help out a perfect stranger. And to all you wonderful fellows.... the RTTY Amateur group.... R.H. Wilson WBØESF "RED".

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In view of the recent comments about the lack of 40 meter RTTY, I would like to suggest a means to open this band to RTTY. It appears to me that no one goes to 40m because they assume that they will be the only station there; I know, I've felt that way at times. There must be a way to show favorable results.

Forty meters appears to be a stable band to work consistant RTTY 'DX'. In past RTTY contests, I've had excellent results on 40m RTTY with solid contacts to both coasts and into South America. I regularly copy W1AW and find 40m to be the most efficient .. frequency for dependable reception.

Forty meter RTTY offers yet another benefit, a new definition for DX. The original concept of DX has been laid aside and replaced with the idea that DX means chasing some rare country on 20m and everything else is consid-

ered 'local copy'.

Well, from what experience I've had on 40m RTTY, the aim of chasing may be the same but in a different proportion. When I worked K6WZ on 40m one night, I was really proud of that contact and the same was true when I waorked W1AW. This type of 'DX'..reminds me of the original definition where 'a few bold souls ventured down into the hinterland'.* I have printed all around the world and now find an adventurous spirit to print around our own country on a band where few tread; unfortunately too few.

In the March issue of the JOURNAL Herb, WB5HVE, made an excellent suggestion - a contest restricted to 40m RTTY. With something like this, it would expose more people to the potentials of 40 meters. If there would be enough initial interest in this idea, I, representing the Milwaukee School of Engineering ARC W9HHX, would then like to offer a transcontintal RTTY contest conducted solely on 40m. Any suggestions or critism of this idea would be greatly appreciated.

Each person holds his own concept of DX; I find the following phrase - written by Clinton B. Desoto * in his famous 'TWO HUNDRED METERS AND DOWN', 1936, to be most inspiring. '.a large number of stations were heard the most notable performance being the contact between Reinartz, IXAM, and W.H. Hoffman, 9EK, in Madison, Wis., which was copied in its entirety by Frank C. Jones, 6AJF, of Berkely, CAL. An amateur signal being heard across the continent...IT WAS INCREDIBLE?

NOTE

PROGRAMMED PROMS FOR THE VE3 CTP CONVERTER

Because of the interest shown in the VE3CTP ASCII/BAUDOT - BAUDOT/ASCII code converter articles in the Oct 76 and Oct 77 RTTY JOURNAL (and soon upcoming in HAM RADIO), I have been furnishing Uarts and Fifos for that project. In addition I have had requests for the PROMS's used in it.

The popular 8223 PROM specified is now obsolete and the surplus scources for it have dried up. The need for a readily available replacement now exists. The 8223was easily programed with simple circuitry and procedures. However, the currently available substitutes cannot be so programmed with complete safety.

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RTTY DXCC # 26

Plaque number #26 goes to Glenn R. Kuryenknabe, K3SWZ of 403 Centerview Avenue, New Cumberland, PA.,17070. Glenn has contributed on numerous occasions to this article. His long hours at the "green keys" has finally paid off. He started amassing his cards in October of 1970 taking him just short of seven years, a very impressive short time for such an accomplishment.... CONGRATULATIONS GLENN.

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