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Send all News, contributions and Swap N Shop items to K2AOL ,

CLUB DUES TIME AGAIN * USE THE MAILY COUPON INSIDE TO MAIL YOU DUES WITH A CHECK TO THE EDITOR.

MEETING NITE MARCH 7th AT 8:00 PM. QUENS-ILLINOIS CLUBHOUSE

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CLUB MEETING

8:00 PM WEDNESDAY EVEN

MARCH 1962

at Owens-Illinois Clubhouse Glassboro, N.J.

PROGRAM will be a guided tour of the Owens-Illinois plant and observe how plastic products are made. Those who have been through before will agree that this is something not to be missed.

President George K2SOL is in the hospital for an operation. Mal W2MMD will be acting as president until George is able to resume the duties as president. We all hope for a speedy recovery for you George.

Eric WA2NZY has been declared winner and received a certificate for first place for Gloucester County in the New Jersey QSO party of August 1961.

Paul W2HSE was in the Newcomb Hospital in Vineland and operated on Feb. 6th.

CLUB HAM SHACK is nearly completed. About all that is needed is approximately two hours of electrical work.

CLUB QSL CARDS have been all sold. A new order of 5,000 cards is being prepared. Any one who wishes to buy more, it would be to your advantage to have your order in as soon as possible. The new cards will have glossy finish if possible. Mal Mason will handling the orders. We wish again to thank Frank Whitmore W2AAA for the wonderful job he did for the club and the fine article he wrote for 73 Magazine in the January issue. Anyone who needs their call and printing on the back of club QSL cards will probable get the best price to do the job at the Suburban Printing Service Elmer, N.J.

APRIL CLUB MEETING PROGRAM will be a WHITE ELEPHANT SALE so start looking around the shack, work shop or attic for something for the sale.

SJRA, the ham club for Camden County, racked up 421,836 points with 103 operators submitting logs in the VHF Sweepstakes.

NEW CLUB ROSTER will be made soon if everyone fills out the information requested on the form on a latter page of this or last month CROSSTALK.

OFFICIAL BULLETIN NR 835

FROM ARRL HEADQUARTERS WEST HARTFORD CONN
TO ALL RADIO AMATEURS

FEB 16 1962

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One amateur was electrocuted and another had a close call recently, both caused by failure of bypass capacitors in the primary circuit of the AC supply. These accidents could have been avoided by use of a common ground system linking all equipment chassis to a water pipe or other good ground. Send stamped self addressed envelope with a note to ARRL requesting copy of the Safety Code. Please indicate the station from which you copied this Bulletin. Switch to safety and stay alive ~~mt~~

de W2AFZ Della

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As most of our fraternity are well aware of the importance of Civil Defense, the following editorial in the AMERICAN RIFLEMAN Magazine should be of no small interesting interest.

GUNS AND FREEDOM

There is developing in America today a situation which can seriously affect the fundamental right of reputable citizens to keep and bear arms. Due to the strains of the world situation and our problems here at home, there is a growing sense of fear and frustration. Too many people are assuming extreme attitudes and reactions. Too often those who support or oppose a particular idea or action are designated communists, radicals, or fanatics. In the midst of all this name-calling, some of our finest citizens and some of our fundamental beliefs are being subjected to ridicule and misunderstanding. Already, those who oppose the registration of privately owned firearms are being classified by some as members of the lunatic fringe of society.

What do those who propose the registration of firearms really want? The purpose most frequently expressed has to do with the crime rate and the desirability of keeping firearms out of the hands of criminals and juvenile delinquents. The reasons advanced for such a law are:

- (1) to reduce crime by making it more difficult for undersirables to obtain weapons,
- (2) to assist in solving crimes by making it possible to trace the weapon used,
- (3) to aid in the apprehension of criminals by making it possible to arrest persons found in possession of unregistered guns,
- (4) to keep guns out of the hands of minors, mental incompetents, drug addicts and habitual drunkards, etc.

A firearms registration law will not disarm the criminal, but such a law will discourage the ownership of firearms by reputable citizens. By drying up the market, such a law forces reputable firearms manufacturers into other businesses, thereby accelerating the disarmament cycle. No legislation can prevent gangsters from securing and using guns, but proper legislation can severely penalize the illegal use of guns and, when properly enforced, can send to prison for long periods criminals who are caught doing so.

A firearms registration law will not assist in solving crimes by making it possible to trace the weapons used because criminals will not register their guns and because many of those used are stolen from legitimate owners. A firearms registration law should not be used as a means for authority to stop citizens on the street and frisk them or to search homes without a warrant. If an enforcement officer has legal reason to arrest a person or search a home, he has enough evidence to do so on some charge more serious than the mere possession of an unregistered firearm. The desire to apprehend criminals is not justification for legislation which circumvents due process of law in order to more easily obtain convictions or which can make a unwitting violator of a prudent, law-abiding citizen.

A firearms registration law will not keep guns out of the hands of minors or undesirables any more effectively than a simple statute, already in existence in most states, prohibiting the possession of firearms by such persons or the sale or transfer of firearms to such persons.

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To aid in bringing club records up to date and for necessary information requested by ARRL please fill out and add to my form and mail to

G.C. Stuart K2SOL

or give it to me at the meeting,
de K2SOL

Name _____ Call _____ Class of License _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Are you a member of ARRL _____ Age _____ (Optional)

What type of Gloucester County ARC membership? Full _____ Associate _____

Do you have a home station in operation? _____

Underline the bands you operate 160 80 40 20 15 10 6 2 Meters
other _____

Mode of operation in percent of time spent operating CW _____ % AM _____ %

NEFM _____ % RTTY _____ % SSB _____ % or other _____

Do you have mobile equipment? _____ What bands do you operate mobile?

Do you have emergency power independent of the electric utilities? _____

What type of electric power (generator, vibrator supply etc.) _____

Output voltage _____ What freq. or D.C. _____ Output watts _____

Underline any of the following of which you are a member: MARS (Army),
MARS (Airforce), Military Reserve unit, GAP, CD (RACES), Red Cross or
other _____

Underline one or more of the following which you like to do most in Ham Radio:
Ragchew, DX, Traffic, Experiment, Construction or other _____
