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Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 10, 1954. Time: 7.30 P.M. Sharp. Place: R.C.E.M.E. Pinnacle St.

Programme: Speaker will be Charles Young VE3BUV, who will give us a talk on "Pulse Time Modulation". Be sure to hear this interesting talk!

Film: We have secured the film on Radio Security, which will be presented at this meeting.

Transmitter: Howard Fralick VE3CAB will display a recently completed low power transmitter with many novel features.

Eats and Ragchew!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

You might call this bulletin our "Valentine Edition", since it comes so close to that well-known day.

We are not suggesting by the introduction of this theme that you should make the QARC your valentine, but it might be an idea not to forget your XYL AND/OR YL on this occasion, so she will feel more receptive to your attending the meetings.

Last meeting we had 21 members and 8 guests. Why not try for 30 members this time and 10 guests - to give us some good round numbers? We'll try to have enough chairs for everyone.

Best regards!

See you on the 10th at 7.30 P.M.

LISTENING AROUND THE BANDS

3.5 mc. The openings were as good as those last month. Stations observed,-- on the 9th, Cuba and Puerto Rico. On the 12th, Portugal and Holland. The C.D. test on the 16th showed a whole flock of W6 and W7 on this band. On the 17th, conditions really pepped up, Holland, Germany, England, Poland, Ireland, Portugal, Panama and Venezuela all put in good sigs. On the 21st, Spain, Portugal and Morocco. On the 29th, Germany and England.

7.0 mc. Several good Dx openings were noted. On the 3rd, Switzerland and Germany. On the 5th, Morocco, Haiti and Argentina. On the 13th, England, Spain and Yugoslavia. On the 15th and 17th, France and Holland. On the 21st, conditions to the South were very good, with Panama, Barbados, Haiti, Costa Rica, Argentina and Falkland Islands giving one another some competition. On the 24th, Algeria, Spain and Italy. On the 29th, Barbados, Jamaica and Panama.

14.0 mc. The Dx activity showed a definite slump this month. Short openings observed brought in East Africa, Chile, Azores, Austria and Germany, also several Ve8 stations.

21.0 mc. Conditions dull, with a very few W4's on this frequency.

Sometime during the Summer or early Fall the minimum of the present sunspot cycle will be reached. This will mark the third since the correlation between high frequencies and the cycle was discovered. To most amateurs 1954 will mark the last year (at least for some time) of deteriorating conditions with radio expected to pick up slowly during 1955, and more rapidly during 1956-57.

Harry Pitt VE3BND

DIMBULB'S CORNER

Two meter activity has been down in the mud lately, but we managed to add two new contacts in December and one in January so far. Our farthest DX, as yet, has been 285 miles when we got thru' to the southern part of N.Y. State. Dimbulb has just completed a new rig for 80-40-20 (Shame on him!) reports indicate F.B. sigs on these bands. Recent visitors were Jerry Martin, now in B.C. with the Redcoats, and Roy Beasley of Ottawa -- both in fine fettle and still interested in Ham Radio. Dimbulb has a lot of stuff for sale, such as a 6 meter converter, an 1155 receiver, cabinets and racks, dynamotors 12 and 6 volt, and lots of Hi fi audio stuff - speakers, etc. Howard Booth is building a 2 meter rig, and recently was at the shack discussing the pros and cons of Dimbulb's favorite band. Gene Hitchon also hopes to be on soon, time permitting. What happened to our 6 meter net? Anyone wanting a go on 6 can call us anytime. See you all at the February meeting. Let's give the new executive a good start for 1954 by paying our dues as soon as possible.

73 Dimbulb