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I. M. SADD COMES TO CALL

Momma Zedd had headed back to her home in Mena, Ark., on the Honda Interceptor trailing a 40-meter zepp antenna, and the aluminum Christmas tree, which loaded up great on 10, had been dismantled and put back in the attic of Honor Roll Ranch, just a hoot and a holler south of town. The Dom Perignon was gone and we were back to Coors.

Clearly the festive holiday

season was behind us.

The great Q. R. Zedd, A5A, world's greatest DXer and all around marvelous person, was taking a break from his New Year's task of working all stations (again). Cowboy boots hiked up on the railing of the porch of Honor Roll, the great man contentedly puffed one of his prized Four-Dot pipes, the gentle clouds of Latakia tobacco curling across the front yard and felling prize herefords in the nearby pasture. Tondelayo, Zedd's nubile bride, QSL secretary and constant companion, curled in a hammock nearby, polishing the trophy she won some time ago as the cutest graduate in the history of the Harvard Business College. There was a warm winter sun, and the sound of a mockingbird somewhere imitating Zedd's resonant voice calling CQ DX. What a scene it was! How lucky some of us were to be there to bask in the radiance of Zedd!

A car -- a very dirty, very rusty, very decrepit 1960 Volkswagen -crept up the long dirt road from the country highway. We all wondered who it was.

"I wonder who it is," said W5OU.

"I wonder who it is," said W5MCN.

"I wonder -- " began N5HZU.

"I get it, I get it," Zedd cut in testily, removing his pipe from his teeth.

The battered Volkswagen limped to a stop in front of the porch. The door opened and then fell off the hinges, making a mild racket. This small, balding, wrinkle-faced gent clambered out, picked up the fallen door, and tried to stick it back in He managed to crush his place. thumb. Whining softly, he hopped around, first on one foot and then on the other. He was wearing sandals,

Q. R. Zedd

which made hopping difficult. rest of his getup consisted of a faded doubleknit jumpsuit covered with club patches and a baseball cap with an Edsel emblem on it.

"You lost, son?" Zedd called.

The man turned and crept nearer the porch, hat in hands. this Honor Roll Ranch?"

"You see them antennas?" Zedd asked. "It's either Honor Roll or the Voice of America."

"Is Mr. Q. R. Zedd, A5A, the world's greatest DXer, at home?"

"You're looking at him, boy." We all thought the feller was going to weep. He came up the steps, skinny hand extended. "Oh, Mr. Zedd, this is the greatest thrill of my life!"

"Well, naturally," " Zedd said, shaking his hand. "Get off your knees, son, no need to grovel like that."

"Mr. Zedd, sir, please allow me to introduce myself. My name is Sadd. I. M. Sadd. And I am your opposite."

Zedd's handsome profile wrinkled in perplexity. "Come again?"

"Well, Mr. Zedd, I believe you have worked all the DX there ever was?"

"Sure, you got that right."

"Well, sir, I am the amateur radio operator who can't work any DX."

Zedd looked stunned. "You can't work any DX?"

"Never," Sadd sighed, wiping a tear from his eye.

"How can that be?" Zedd asked in astonishment.

"Something always goes wrong."

"Always?"

"I thought," Sadd went on sadly, "things would change when the sunspot cycle started upward again. But no."

"Son," said Zedd, "you must be doing something wrong."

Sadd whimpered a little. "I call CQ DX. I always get an answer from

a 4 who wants to tell me I've got AC ripple, or a 3 wanting to tell me about his retirement.

"I listen. The other day I heard a G station. Everyone else yawns when they hear a G station. It shouldn't be competitive. I wrote down his call and tried to make contact. When I stopped calling, he was working somebody from a Boy Scout encampment. I turned up my power and blew up the transformer in my power supply.

"I almost worked Mexico on 40 meters, but just about the time the station might have come back to me, there was a solar flare that blacked out communications for two days.

"Once I heard a Canadian

station in the clear --"

Zedd cut in, stunned: "You can't even work VE?"

"l can't even work Idaho or Rhode Island!" Sadd cried. "Or Ohio or Tennessee or Texas, for that matter!"

The great man removed his Stetson and wiped a brawny forearm over his forehead in obvious amazement.

Sadd volunteered, "I would like to get WAS. But I'm from near Tulsa, and I can't even work Arkansas."

"Do you have a list of the states you need for WAS?" Zedd asked.

"Yes," Sadd said mournfully, and pulled out a typed list.

We all looked at it. Oklahoma and Kansas were scratched out.

"I need everything else," Sadd admitted.

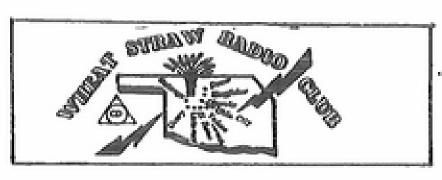
"Son," Zedd told him, "you have

a serious problem."

"I run a 940 into an Alpha linear," Sadd said. "I have a 7-element Yagi at 88 feet. I process my speech and computer-massage my CW and use a front-end filtering system and ARRL logbooks and a posture chair that cost me over \$700. I've got a world clock that tells me the time in 316 countries and a computerized beam heading program and hardline to the tower and two funny hats with my callsign on the front. I've done everything. I still can't work any DX.

"I thought I worked France once. My card came back 'not in log.' I imagined I worked a Russian once on 20-meter CW. After I didn't get a card in three years. I wrote Box 88

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CORA

The Wheatstraw Amateur Radio Club had their Christmas Dinner Sunday December 11 with about forty five attending. Seven of those were visitors. Among them was N6CL Joe our State Section Manager. The ladies did a wonderful job of cooking dinner and the Christmas decorations,

of officers was Election held for 1989. New president Perry Jones, W5MGZ, of 1.3 Weatherford. Vice president is Maschino, K5GGL, of George Secretary/Treasurer Okarche. is Joe Garland, WA5FLT, of Calumet. Editor is Ralph Wildser, WA5PFK, you can send in your contribution, story that is, to him at 811 N. Burford, Watonga OK 73772, phone number is 772-6063.

Ernest Martin of N5KFQ, Canton had a good program, mostly aerial slides of camping, picnic areas and improvement projects. These slides were taken the i n spring when the scenes were There were most beautiful. scenes of winter with snow on the ground.

K5LLX, Ray is on a recent sick list, we missed you and Verlena today. Hurry and get well so you can get back with us. Pauline, becoming the first lady of our radio club it is customary for you to attend the meetings with Perry when you can, Ha!

The next meeting will be at Okarche OK, January 8 at 2:30 pm. Tune in on Wednesday nights at 9:00 pm for place. Anyone is welcome to check into the net if you have a Technician or better license (Novices can at least listen). The frequency is 146.61/01.

The Wheatsraw Amateur Radio Club was organized in about 1960. We had 52 licensed members, and fifteen associate bers in 1988. Associate members are spouses that are not licensed and having no radio or voting privileges.

During the holidays please drive safely, and may I take the opportunity to wish all readers a Merry Christmas, and a happy, healthy New Year.

WA5PFK, Ralph

C.O.R.A.

The monthly meeting of Central Oklahoma Radio Amateurs was called to order by President Frank Tassone, AA5GI, at 7:13 p.m. on October 25, 1988. The following board members were present:

President Frank Tassone, AA5GI; EARS Vice-Pres Dorinda Skaggs, N5IUA; SCARS Secretary Marshall Maddox, WU5P; SCARS Treasurer Mark Kleine, N5HZR; OUARC Ex-Officio John Thomason, WB5SYT; EARS C&E Mgr. Ed. Joe Harding, WA5ZNF

ACARC Tom Mangham,
K5LDI
76'ers Jim Buswell,
N5BEQ
EARS Steve Hamlin,
KG5IP; Howard
Wise Jr.
WD5IDB
EARC Phil
Wolfenbarger,
N5HIP

Visitors present were: Lee Vaughn, KASWIS and Joe Lynch, NGCL.

The treasurers report was given with a Ham Holiday account balance of \$3452.04, and a C&E account balance of \$855.35. The report was approved as read with no objections.

Phil Wolfenbarger, N5HIP, reported that the monthly VE testing session went well with 10 applicants present. Certificates were given out for 2 Novices with a total of 5 certificates issued for upgrades.

Planning for Ham Holiday '89 followed and volunteers for committee heads were: Bob Ashby (W5HXL)-Publicity, Dave Medders, (K5PL)-Facilities, John Thomason-Programs, Dorinda Skaggs-Non Technical programs, Howard Wise, Steve Hamlin, Lee Vaughn-Registration, Louis Russell

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(KD5wA), Don Schader (KB5ABS)-Flea Market, Cora Officers-Banquet, Dave Medders, Thomason, Davis Egle (KD5IT)-Scholarship Program, Phil Wolfenbarger-Security, Marshall Maddox, Phil Wolfenbarger-VE testing. John Thomason requested that input for programs be directed to him and non-technical requests to Dorinda Skaggs. Committee heads were not yet chosen for Dealers/Prizes, Preregistration, and Talk-in.

topic of the Olympic Festival '89 was brought up and Dorinda Skaggs volunteered to follow up this matter with phone call. Also Mark Kleine mentioned that the Festival Coordinators were looking for a Ham to man a fully equipped mobil home that will follow a torch run through all 77 counties of Oklahoma. Anyone interested should contact Mark Kleine-N5HZR.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15, with several Directors seconding.

FC ARF

members and guests had a grand time at the annual Christmas party on Friday, December 16. More than 60 members and their friends, spouses, dates and possigs ate a great pot luck supper, listened KU5B to relate tales of QR Zedd, A5A, swapped white-elephant If you didn't make it, gifts. For \$5 a person and a tough. junk gift, you could have gotten you mind off the six burned resistors in your HT.

The Fall Novice class ended on December 5 with several new novice licence class holders. Most of the new grads went to the VE exam on wednesday and tried upgrade to tech. Here's list of the passers:

John Bowman Novice I-Na Chao Tech Brian Curran Tech Doyle Isaak Novice Vallory Moore Tech David Pond Tech Joe Sewell Novice Maggie Sewell Tech Steven Slate Novice Ed Smith Tech

CONGRATULATIONS to each one of these bright and talented amateurs.

real? $_{\rm Ls}$ Sho' muf, it is! Ah, well if you have an anyway ... interest is computing propagation stuff, I have a PC procalculating gram for world-wide MUF at any day and hour and showing it on a map on your CGA monitor. It was adapted from MINIMUF 3.5 published in QST some years Written in Turbo-Basic and compiled, it runs with or without a coprocessor(but very fast with a coprocessor). you want a free copy, send a formatted, 5 1/4 floppy and a

Davis M. Egle, KD5IT 2735 Poplar Lane Norman, OK 73072

SASE'd disk mailer to:

Remember munchkins and girls, SCARS dues are due now. So break open your piggy banks and send your \$16 to: N5LPZ found a June 1939 issue of 'Radio News' at a flea market over in Tulsa a few weeks back and let me browse through it. The English language sure has changed in the last 40 years. Here's a quote from the 'HAM Chatter' column-

W4DRD has put up a swell beam for tentwent and mailed us a pix which we show above. The beam is made of General's parts. Looks swell, too... but how is the DY wid it? W9ETI is building hisself a fb mobile rig. Has been running around Chi wid "W9ETI mobile unit" plastered on the back window of his Chevvy, but so far no rig inside. Now he will make the sign tell the truth.

There's lots of interesting construction articles inside too, like a "Send-'Ceiver" for \$30.00 (CW and AM). It uses a 5Z3, 7C5, 6SJ7, and another 7C5 inside. I'm not sure what those are, the schematic looks like they might be FETs or something, I don't quite recognize them. On the inside of the front cover there's an ad from 'DAVEGA' the 'World's largest retail radio dealer' in New York. They show a brand new ACR-11 for \$99.50, and a Hallicrafter Sky-Buddy for \$29.50! (I used to have one of those! I think I paid that much for it and it was 25 years or more old at the time!). Most of this issue is dedicated to Television. That was a very hot subject at the time and there's an editorial that says not to worry, TV will never replace radio! (If they only knew!) There's also an article on 'My Pet Portable' which is about the size or maybe larger than my 1 KW Ameritron Amp. But this portable you could build for 48 bucks! It seems they had a 5 meter band back then too, 56 MC (not MHz!). The ads are mostly for radio parts, tubes, variable condensers, and service equipment.

Monte Bateman, WB5RZX 1514 Denison Boulevard Norman, OK 73069 or, better yet, bring it to...

the next SCARS

meeting which will be on
Saturday, January 14, at 9:30
am at the Norman Red Cross.

For Sale New Heath Linear SB1000 Assembled and working Leland Black, W5MCN, 329-3222

For Sale
MiniQuad HQ-1 two element beam
for 20, 15, 10, and 6 meters.
Used but in excellent shape.
Davis Egle, KD5IT, 321-7570 pm

ARRL GIVES FCC ITS OWN VERSION OF PART 97 REWRITE

ARRL has filed extensive comments with the FCC in response to the Commission's proposed reorganization of the Amateur Radio rules (PR Docket No. 88-139). Annexed to the League's comments, prepared by Counsel Christopher D. Imlay, was a complete rewrite of the rules developed by a committee of the ARRL Board of Directors.

The League's rewrite was developed over a seven-month period of intensive study by an ARRL working group consisting of Vice President George Wilson, W4OYI, and Directors Steve Mendelsohn, WA2DHF, Marshall Quiat, AGØX, and Rod Stafford, KB6ZV, with detailed support from the ARRL HQ staff. In addition, the committee digested countless comments of individual League members. The final document represents the interests of the broadest majority of amateurs while protecting the needs of minorities with special interests. It was reviewed and approved by the ARRI, Board of Directors by mail vote.

The Committee noted that many of the comments filed early by individual radio amateurs expressed opposition to certain provisions of the FCC's proposed wording. A common thread in these comments was that the rules should allow for "due process of law" rather than FCC administrative sanctions taken without judicial hearings. The ARRL rewrite took these comments into account and strengthened "due-process" provisions of the rules.

The ARRL commended the FCC on its work to reorganize, modernize and clarify Part 97 of the Commission's rules. The FCC had succeeded in reducing the length of the present rules from 30,073 words to 24,397. The League's rewrite further reduced the length to 17,045 words without eliminating necessary substance, and retained the basic structure of the rules as proposed by the FCC. The ARRL version is styled as "Part 96," a number not previously assigned to any portion of the FCC rules, to prevent confusion between old and proposed new rules.

A copy of the ARRL filing, including the complete text of the proposed "Part 96" draft, will be sent shortly to each recipient of *The ARRL Letter*. Others may request a copy by sending a 9 × 12 inch self-addressed envelope with \$1.25 postage to ARRL HQ.

ARRL DIVISION DIRECTOR ELECTION RESULTS

Votes were counted for ARRL Division Directors and Vice Directors at Headquarters on November 21, 1988 under the watchful eye of a Price Waterhouse auditor. Newly elected representatives and those who were unopposed will take office January 1, 1989, and will serve two-year terms. Here are your newly elected representatives, and the vote counts for each candidate:

West Gulf Division, for Director: Jim D. Haynie, WB5JBP, 2768 Thomas W. Comstock, NSTC, 1802

Jim begins his second term as Director. He was first licensed in 1971, and has served as President and Vice-President of the Dallas Amateur Radio Club and is Assistant Dallas County RACES officer. Jim has participated extensively in disaster communications, including Hurricane Alicia and the Mexican and Guatemalan earthquakes. Jim is Chairman of the ARRI. Publications Committee.

West Gulf Division, For Vice Director: Sam C. Sitton, KVSX, (unopposed)

A new Vice Director, Sam was first licensed as WN5OAP in 1964 at age 14. His call was changed to KV5X in 1982. A former Assistant Director, he currently holds field appointments as Section Traffic Manager, Net Manager and Official Relay Station. His primary interest has been in the National Traffic System. Sam is an attorney with a JD degree from the University of Houston, and lives in Edmond, Oklahoma.

Christmas - A time for Love

Despite all our sorrows, I see many bright tomorrows, Christmas is a time for joy.

Although the air is chilling, My heart is ready, willing To hug each little girl and boy.

Jesus is the reason, We celebrate this season, And gather with our family for sharing.

Outside is deep with snow, But inside mistletoe. Sees mom kiss dad, and dad kiss mom for caring.

The frenzied pace of shopping, Doesn't keep our minds from stopping, To take a break from push and shove.

Each Christmas caroller sings, Of peace the Christ child brings, Yes, Christmas is a time for love.

From the rush of life we pause, To dress like Santa Claus, And travel home to loved ones dear.

"Share the bounty of your living, Christmas is for giving," 'The angel's voice rings loud and clear.

For promises unspoken, For bonds of love unbroken, Christmas is a time to pray:

"Dear God, we hope our earth, Remembers your son's birth, By building peace through love each day."



VHF Club NEWS

WSLOW The Elmer Goekler Memorial Station

VHF Club Meeting

for December will be the day after this issue is pasted up. I will report on the meeting next month. I will take this opportunity to express, for the VHF club members, best wishes for the New Year! Joe, K5JB, Sec'y

Shortie

This month's C&E caught me pretty well unprepared and I would have really been whistle-bitten if Dave, KD5FX, had not packeted the Kay County material the week of pasteup. Thanks for the reminder, Dave! In fact, I'll just add Dave's column to mine to make a single page.

I am still piddling with the TCP/IP and mulling over things that could be done to make it available to more users. (Assuming, someone is as interested as I am in it!)

The real nice thing I like about packet radio implementation of TCP/IP is the way mail can be sent and received right at the user's terminal without having to log into a BBS. There are other ways to do this (See Mail Drops, below.)

Another thing TCP/IP does is make computer files available to others. However, this ability is also provided by the regular WA7MBL, W0RLI type PBBSs, so this is no advantage.

TCP/IP does provide networking among stations as it uses the link layer facilities of the medium in which it us used. By this I mean that if I wanted to type to, send mail to, or read files belonging to someone within reach of the network, I would just issue the proper commands to my IP host and it would take care of the details. But, files, like ARRL bulletins are available on PBBSs.

There are two impediments to more general curiosity of TCP/IP in this area:

1. It doesn't run on a PK-64, and 2. Nobody seems to be particularly interested in what it does differently. Don't get me wrong. I am not being critical. I wouldn't run it if I had to make a choice of doing one thing on packet radio. I am probably running it more out of curiosity than anything else. Since I have some pretty good software tools for the MS-DOS environ-

ment, I find that I can have a lot of fun piddling with the thing; making up ways to create mail messages and feed them to the IP; logging what is going on; and, just getting the fun of seeing that computer over there doing what I am telling it to do over here.

I have had a packet bulletin board on 146.415 since there was packet, almost. I am looking at it critically and trying to decide if it would be worthwhile to make it the interface to the IP world. It would take a bunch of programming work that I am not sure I want to do. Dave, WB5FWE, has had success with the WORLI species of PBBS because it can pass files to and from the IP business. That PBBS does a lot more than I would want to do with an IP gateway so I am looking at another PBBS called C BBS that is a spin-off of the W0RLI. I have source code and can pare it down to size if I want to take the time.

Lots of food for thought these cold, winter evenings. Joe, K5JB

Mail Drops

During my last visit to Washington, D.C., naturally I visited with Hoss, WA5ZAI. Also, naturally, we did some packeting. I saw something go whiz by that I thought was neat.

An operator said that his program watched the "MAIL" beacons from his home packet bulletin board, looking for his call. When it saw it, it logged into that BBS, read the mail, killed it, and saved it on the operator's system. Neato!, I thought. That method gets the mail to its destination without the hassle of logging in and without the BBS operator having to make forwarding arrangements to the destination. With this passive method, the individual's system simply acts like an alert user when mail is available.

Likewise, if the end user wanted to send mail to someone without waiting his turn at the PBBS, all he would have to do is enter the message into his home computer, then let the computer start scanning for that "MAIL" beacon tag. As soon as it saw it, wham! SABM! (The keyboard user wouldn't have a chance.) I wouldn't think that such a routine would be very hard to write, even if it had to be written in BASIC for the Commodore 64!

I did something similar with macros in a commercial telecommunications program on the Apple once. It responded to the connect from a W0RLI type BBS with all the proper responses to receive mail being sent to it. It probably wouldn't be very difficult to do the header scanning, etc., and send the queued mail after doing a connect. How about that Procomm users?

If the winter nights are long enough and cold enough, I may tackle some of these "wish-list" projects. Joe, K5JB

KAY KOUNTY

Amateur Radio Club

December Meeting Notes

We had a good turnout for the Christmas dinner. I think I counted 21 there, this included the spouses and others. The program that was brought by Doug Forsythe was very good. He told all about the interesting research they are doing down in Norman at the Severe Storms Lab. It sounds like in just a couple of years the forecasters will be able to predict the weather a lot better than today. The dinner was also quite good. A big thanks goes to Steve Scott KA5SJK for making all the arrangements for the club.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will again be back at the Pioneer Vo-Tech at 7 P.M. on Jan. 19th. Mark your calendar now and plan to attend. I don't know yet what the program will be, but I do know that we will have some more information about the new repeater controller that will soon be installed on W5HZZ/R. (Hopefully by the time you read this or soon after). I've had it here at the house and programmed all the things that have to be set for installation. Steve, Jay, and I will get together soon and get it installed. Listen for the new sound of the courtesy tone and the new sound of the IDer.

Emergency Trailer Notes

Lou, N5GIW, C.L., W5ZWM, and myself got busy last Saturday and did a little work on the Emergency Communications Trailer. We replaced the hose clamps that were holding the antenna on with good ole DB type brackets and hauled it into town. We parked it at the EOC again (Police station). We will need to replace the crank on the tongue, it's shot. Keep an eye out for a good used one, it's almost impossible to use the trailer until we get that fixed, so something must be done before spring rolls around.

Thought For The Month

Aren't you glad you don't get all the Government that you pay for? That's it for now, see ya on the Monday nite nets at 9 P.M. on W5HZZ/R 146.97! 73, Dave KD5FX

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and asked why. I got back this crummy letter in Russian that I still haven't found anybody to translate. I asked my librarian if she knew anyone who could translate a Russian letter, and she told the FBI and I spent four years in federal prison.

"Once I got on a list. I really did. Just as he was getting to the fives, the master of ceremonies dropped dead right on the air. When someone else took over, they started a new list.

"I could have worked Italy once. I really could have. He came back to my call. I got so excited I threw up. Had to buy a new microphone."

Clearly, Zedd's noted compassion was aroused. He put a friendly hand on Sadd's skinny shoulder. "Do you want me to help you work a few hundred, son?"

Sadd straightened up, pride flaring in his eyes. "No sir!" he cried. "What kind of a man do you take me for? Accept help in working DX? Let someone else get me on a list? Use a spotter? Employ someone else's station? Take unfair advantage? Never!"

"At least let me give vou one

word of advice," Zedd said quietly. When you call the DX station, call him six or eight times in a row. Keep the rf in the air. Make a commotion -- "

"But," Sadd broke in, shocked, "that would be ungentlemanly!"

Zedd stared at this interloper for a long minute or two. Finally the great man's broad chest heaved in a sigh. "Yep. You're right."

Sadd stepped down off the porch, head hanging. "I just wanted to say hello, sir, and let you know that you are an inspiration to us all."

"Hang in there, boy," Zedd

"Oh, I will!" Sadd said with a sweet smile. "I'll never give up!"

"Atta boy."

The little man picked up his car door, put it in the Volkswagen on the passenger seat, climbed in, and drove

"Boys," said Zedd as the dust faded down the ranch road, "there goes a real gentleman.

"Too bad. If he'd just get a little pushy, he could probably work two or three hundred by next weekend."

-- KU5B

Cautioning her to remember she was under oath, the lawyer asked the witness her age.

"Twenty-one and some months," she replied.

"How many months?"
"A hundred and eight."

Golf: a good walk spoiled.

The motorist had always been law-abiding, but he tangled with a traffic officer. He claimed the policeman was wrong, one word led to another, and the motorist called the officer a jackass.

That landed him before a judge, who admonished, "You just can't go around calling police officers jackasses."

"Very well, your honor," said the motorist. "But would it be all right if I called a jackass a policeman?"

The judge said she didn't see how that would violate the law.

As the motorist was leaving the courtroom, he turned to the arresting officer. "Goodbye, policeman," he said cheerily.

The harassed father looked at his mouthly bills and commented: "My entire salary runs into five figures my wife's and four daughters"."