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The 1958 Annual Meeting of the Hampden County Radio Assn., OUR JUNE Inc. was held on June 7, 1958 at the old United Church in Wilbraham, Mass. Dinner was served at 7 P.M. and consisted of a chicken dinner with all the fixings. It was a choice MEETING dinner and well received by the 86 members and their guests.

The meeting proper was called to order by club president Hank Baier, WINY, at 8:00 P.M. Several small but necessary business matters were discussed. Then a general discussion of Field Day plans was held by FD Chairman Dick Stevens, WlQWJ; with the leaders of the various bands reporting their progress to date. The decision to use the call WINY was made.

The annual election of officers was held with the slate of officers recommended by the nominating committee elected unanimously with no other nominations from the floor. Elected to office were:

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Tom Ferguson, WIWFL Dick Stevens, WiQWJ Norm Forest, WISTR Wes Thayer, WILRE Chet Ballcki, Wlivk Bill Gourley, Wlauf Bill Ham, WIRRX Ken Hardy, WIDXW

After the election, Hank turned the gavel over to the new president. Tom held a short discussion of the proposed booth to be held at the Exposition this year. The Meeting was adjourned and a ragchew held. The doorprize, a Tecraft 2 meter converter was won by KlCXH. Sandy didn't come to the dinner but he paid for his ticket and it paid off : for him. His son Ronnie, Klayu, brought home his prize.

The first meeting of the new officers and board of directors was held at the home of the president on Friday, BOARD OF L\_RECTORS June 13th. A "last minute" look at the Field Day plans MEETING was handled first, with the accent on transportation.

Then the summer get-togethers featuring the transmitter hunts were reviewed and the times and dates set. A search for a larger meeting place for the club was instituted in order to allow room for our expanding membership at the coming meetings. Parking, kitchen availability, accessability, etc. were considered and any suggestions will be gratefully received. Due to the fact that according to the recent survey of the members it was brought out that the favorite meeting of the majority of the members was the auction, the board decided that the September meeting will be an auction. It will be held on September 12, 1958 -- time and place to be published when decided at a later date.

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FIELD From the desk of Dick Stevens, WlQWJ, Field Day Chairman DAY

Don't forget, those who are to furnish equipment, we will meet on the mountain on Friday evening for some preliminary work.

- 1. Set up some equipment
- 2. Run A.C. power lines.
  3. Survey for antennas.

On Saturday morning plan to be at the FD site at 9:30 A.M. We will then start to put up our antennas. Don't forget to bring some food-if we can't make a high score, or conditions are lousy, it eases the pain to eat.

Remember the Field Day exercise is a Club event and all members are invited to attend whether they intend to operate or not. If you have never been on a Field Day outing you will like it and next year you will be in there pitching. Fellow amateurs that are not members of the club are also welcome to attend and also to operate—it being understood that members will get first chance at all operating.

The Field Day site will again be at Jack Lyman's place up on Wilbraham Mountain. For the benefit of those not there last year, you can find the place by going out to Wilbraham-up Mountain Rd alongside Wilbraham Academy to Ridge Rd.--turn right onto Ridge Rd., and along about one or two miles on the left you will see our sign at the foot of Mr. Lyman's driveway. Up the driveway and there you are.

HIDDEN TRANSMITTER

As mentioned earlier, it was felt that there

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might be an interest in some informal meeting
during the summer months when we have no regular
club meetings. The first of these will be held on July 11th at the
Memorial Field in Wilbraham starting at 7 P.M. A hidden transmitter
hunt will be held with the transmitter going on the air at 7 P.M. local
time. The transmitter will be on a frequency between 144 and 148 mc.
---the 2 meter band. Those who are not interested in the hunt are
asked out anyway to have a good ole "bull session."

WANTED Young man with amateur radio license eager to learn newspaper work as a reporter. Oppoutunity to work on a progressive paper, Zero Beat, dedicated to amateur radio. Contact the editor for this unusual opportunity to gain experience at no cost to you.

CLUB BADGES The new LARGE badges for club members are in and now available to club members for the nominal charge of 35¢ to cover the cost to the club. See the Treasurer at the next club meeting.

YOUR Remember that you can pay your League dues through the club ARRL at the regular rate and the club treasury will benefit to the DUES tune of 50 cents per subscription. The club treasurer is the man to see as soon as you get that notice that your year is almost up. A convenient place to catch Wes is over the counter down at Soundco. That way you can save yourself the postage and check fees incurred by mailing your dues to West Hartford.

Unlicensed radio stations uncovered --- 5 operated by police department in a small Georgia municipality, one of which was functioning in the City Hall. Chidf of Police thought he had authority to use station from sheriff, who in turn thought his "permission" came from the state highway patrol.

PUZZLER'S The earliest postmarked correct answer to the puzzler in CORNER last month's paper was received from the ARRL-IGY staff in West Hartford.

The correct answer to problem #1 is 41 trains. Enclosed with last month's answer from W. Hart. was the correct answer to the previous month's problem, the only one received and it renews my faith in the "gray matter" of puzzle fanciers and also my enthusiasm for this column.

The answer to the puzzle of the spots is: The color of the spot is RED. Basic reasoning will show that if only one spot were red all three wise men should not see a red spot and raise their hands, yet all three did. Exploring a bit further we find that if only two were red then one wise man would see one red and one black and know that his had to be red. (Because at least two reds are needed for all to raise their hands.) Knowing his opponents to be wise men the winner figured, and correctly, that his spot had to be red--as were the two he saw. Why else would it have taken over 20 minutes for his opponents?

And now on to this month's problems:
#1. The combined ages of a man and wife are six times the combined ages of all of their children.
Two years ago their combined ages were 17 times the combined ages of all their children.
In 8 years their combined ages will be 2 times the combined ages of all their children.
How many children do they have, and what are the respective ages of the children?

#2. A man entered a blacksmith shop with 6 lengths of chain, as pictured below, and wished them combined into one chain.

The charge for cutting a link was 10 cents, and the charge for welding a link was one dollar. What was the cheapest that he could get the job done for? Show the connections, labeled, on your answer.

You need not have both answers to submit an answer. In fact I doubt very much that I will get correct answers to both problems at all.

CONCORD At the Concord Hamfest we saw WlAGM, WIRB, WlUKR, WIKUE, HAMFEST WlJJO and his guardian whose call we have by now forgotten, WlKUL and a few we have missed. WlJJO left early and his ticket stayed with WlKUL, who obligingly collected the prize--a 20 meter beam--that WlJJO's ticket won. The beam is now collecting dust, rather than DX stations, in the cellar at WlKUL's QTH--but it will soon be atop the telephone pole in the back yard if the express charges are not forthcoming from WlJJO.

100 KC FOR What happened to the devotees of CW that have been CW ON 6 & 2 hollering for an exclusive 100 Kc in the six and two meter bands? They must still be around but they were not visible (or is it audible) during the VHF contest held by the ARRL last weekend--June 14-15. A couple of the loudest of the advocates were heard holding forth in this sacred ground (and they stayed there) using AM exclusively.