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PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

We have a brand new committee consisting of Mike, 3FIV and Don, 3GEN who will coordinate all activities relating to such things as charity walks, parades and toy drives. The recent Miles for Millions walk showed the need for such a committee. The club was called upon to assist the GRS group and there were some problems caused by a lack of organization. They sometimes had trouble getting through but our group operating through VE3OSH did not experience any difficulty. It was a good trial and something our boys needed. There were some mobiles assigned to locations which would have been better for GRS and vice versa but we gave it a good try and should learn from the experience. Next time we should be in on the early meeting and would be better able to do a good job. There was a postmortem held at the EMO building and maybe the boys will tell us all about it at the meeting. Those taking part were 3DDD, FGL, BHQ, GMM, ADJ, DOC, CRK, DEN, FAT, GDK, GEN, ESY, CKK, and ERF.

Bernie 3ATI

LAST MEETING

Farny, 3BHQ brought along his home-brew Curve-tracer which was written up in the August and September 1971 issues of QST. He demonstrated with the aid of a scope that the characteristics of unknown transistors or diodes can be quickly obtained with the tracer. He wrote the author to determine if there were any errors or omissions before building it and found that it met his expectations. It might be a good project for you if you are playing around with discrete components.

NEXT MEETING

This is traditionally our Field Day meeting and a time to kick around any ideas you may have on the subject. Some like the picnic atmosphere - some like lots of contacts but Field Day should be fun for all. We need good dependable rigs with back-up units. Sometimes, they go sour, like Bert 3DUS's Collins did a couple of years ago and it didn't even make a contact. That's Field Day.

CLUB PICNIC July 15/16 Saturday & Sunday

As mentioned in last month's Bulletin, we are going to try for another picnic and campout at Egan Creek near Bancroft. You have to bring your own accomodation such as tent or trailer, food etc., just like you would if you were going camping in the Park. It is about 2½ to 3 hours driving time from Oshawa. Directions: Go up via 115 to 28, turn right at 7 and continue past the double highway to the sign showing Peterborough By-pass opposite a Provincial Park sign. Go up to 28 and turn right until you reach Bancroft. Turn sharp right over the tracks in Bancroft and go south on 62 to L'Amable about 4 miles. Turn left at the Gulf Station and General store and pass the tracks at Detlor continuing until you reach a small white Church. Turn right, go about a mile down the hilly road and you are at Ken and Doreen's hideaway. Hope you can find it.

WALKIE-TALKIE SETS

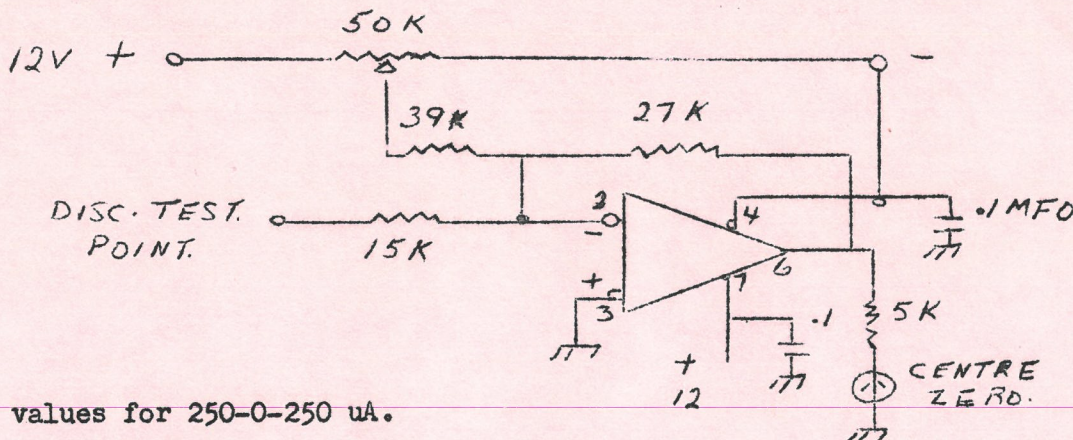
Don, 3GEN has inquired and found that there are no more of these available from Motorola right now but some are expected soon. Contact Don if you are interested and maybe he can help you. The Model H23-AAC has 3 tubes in the receiver and goes for \$20.00 while the transistor model H23-BAC goes for \$35.00. They come supplied with mike and speaker but you need to get xtals and make a whip antenna. They will work from a car if you have the unit connected to an outside whip.

TUESDAY NET

Our net controller, Bill, 3CKK is offering the members of the net a chance to act as controller for all or part of the net. The net meets at 7:30 p.m. except club nite when it opens at 7:15 This is a good chance to get a bit of experinece before you go on ONTARS or the SSB net as a controller.

TUNING AID

For those who have or are going to make tunable receivers for 2m FM Farny has a circuit to help you get it right on freq. Any scale meter will do but the 27K resistor will have to be changed to suit it.



Correct values for 250-0-250 uA.

This will be the last Bulletin until September. Have a good summer.

