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MEETING

Time: Wednesday, 7 Feb. 1962, 2015 hrs.

Place: N.R.C. Sussex St., Room 3001.

Program:

Noise Generators by Oscar Sandoz, VE3CRA.

Surplus Bargains in the UK, Steve Chisholm, VE3ATU.

Coffee and ragchew.

Noise generators and how to use them to measure the quality of a receiver, especially VHF receivers, will be Oscar's subject. Noise is a necessary evil in VHF receivers but reducing it and measuring it is a high art. Come and hear.

Steve, 3ATU, was in the UK in December and made a point of examining the surplus market (nothing to do with the Common Market). He has some samples to show and will tell us about the many others that got away -- the HRC's that he could not jam into his briefcase for example.

NET DIRECTORY

ARRL Bulletin Nr. 831 advises that the cross-indexed net directory is now available on request. A card, letter, or Hamgram to ARRL, West Hartford, Conn., will bring you this very worthwhile listing of nets by name, frequency, time, region. Write for it now.

OSCAR

ARRL bulletin Nr. 830, 4 Jan. 62, advises that OSCAR is now silent after expected three weeks battery life. For a complete story on how OSCAR came to be see QST for Feb.

ECHO II

Notice is received from ARRL that ECHO II, 135 feet dia. is to be launched into orbit in March or April. The lower polar orbit of this balloon, about 600 miles at first down to 200 -- 100 miles at end of two year life, may permit bounce signals on 144mc and 220 mc. Distances of 1400 miles and more may be expected. A beacon transmitter on 136mc will aid in tracking.

AUCTION

Start now! Don't wait for Spring!! The Spring AUCTION is coming up, on Monday, 19 March, 1962, at the G.E. auditorium on Richmond Rd. Time will be 1930 to 2200 hrs local. As before it will be a combined OARC -OVMRC effort. Dig it out, dust it off, shine it up, tag it, make a buck or two. Put a ring around the date on the calendar now.

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