

## Sends Code Word Ideas

Dear Editor:

Here is a handful of stuff that came to me on the dog watch and was the result of much effort and thought, well at least effort and is offered with the desire to standardize the use of code words for both phone and CW. I believe that names of cities and states cause confusion in message building and separate codes for each form of communication is no good, because we note that familiarity makes for easier, more accurate copy, even relaying information to the ultimate consumer, the officers in the cars.

Here we go:

**ADAM** for A—What's wrong with Adam? Akron is longer in CW, no shorter for fone, and has the disadvantage of being the name of a large city. There is nothing wrong with Adam—it was Eve's fault anyway!

**BOY** for B—Boston is best known but has the name of city stigma. We like Boy. What do you like?

**CHARLES** for C—Chicago is name of city, contains two too many syllables for fone work—Charles has only one. Little long for CW. Any better ideas?

**DAVID** for D—Denver generally used (wish all cities would have as many good watch-keepers on CW net as they do at KGPX). David is our choice.

**EDWARD** for E—See no objections. Might use Easy or Edam but latter hard to get nowadays.

**FRANK** for F—No squawk here, might use Fox.

**GEORGE** for G—From this point of view George is OK, especially the George Dodge at WRDS, who is right up there with KGPX, WPKD and WPGQ on keeping good watch. G George.

**HENRY** for H—Goes good on fone and even when the jitterbugs send it as HRRY on CW it is still oke.

**IDA** for I—Sweet as apple cider and okedoke.

**JOHN** for J—Where you worka, John? Heeza worka Hokay here.

**LINCOLN** for L—Some of the boys might like Love but all in all I don't think you can beat it for Love nor money.

**MARY** for M—Or marry for money. A grand old name, leave it be.

**NORTH** for N—Nevada and Nebraska have taken an awful beating but neither will do. Let's make it one with only one syllable and please the phone boys, although the jits will send it Norb sure as the world.

**OCEAN** for O—The boys with the sea-faring blood will OK this one.

**PAUL** for P—Peter is out, look what happened to Mae West! Paul is shorter, all the way around.

**QUEEN** for Q—Quick Quintus the Quink before somebody queers the old standby.

**ROBERT** for R—Bob is a great guy.

**SAM** for S—Sam is short and snappy. Sugar might better suit the love bugs.

**TOM** for T—Never harmed a soul, let him be.

**UNION** for U—In Union there is strength.

**VICTOR** for V—Well known. Let's keep Vice out.

**WILLIAM** for W—Generally used. Watch might be better for shortness on both phone and CW.

**X-RAY** for X—Ought to set aside a week for the discoverer of the X-ray. Not just because of its medical, therapeutic value but what inell would we poor communication men do for a code word without it?

**YOUNG** for Y—Well known and

ain't hurting nobody.

**ZEBRA** for Z—It really makes no difference whether a zebra is a light colored animal with a dark stripe or a dark animal with a light colored stripe—it's still an ideal code word. Zero is obviously not as good.

Well, there you are. Hope this won't spoil your nice Bulletin. I'm ashamed to sign my real name to this stuff so just end it with,

—A. Nonim Mess

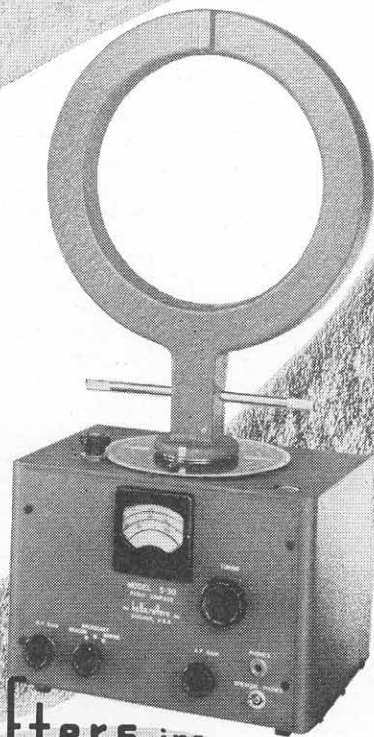
This month's report from Jim Virden, chairman of the 1940 Conference Committee and Conference host, indicates preparations for the Orlando meeting are progressing very nicely except for

some hesitation on the part of some companies because of the war situation and preparations for national defense. It is believed, however, that any plan for national preparedness will include the police services of the nation and probably will bring about an increase, rather than a decrease, of police communication facilities, as an absolute necessity for proper and efficient home protection.

Such manufacturers as RCA, Mallory, Finch, Wincharger, Karr Engineering and Radiart have already made arrangements for booth space. RCA and Finch have each rented two booths.

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