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Verne C. Hampton
NON-PARTISAN CANDIDATE FOR SECOND
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Your 'Lucre' Filthy? It's Not Their Fault

At the Cuyahoga Works of U. S. Steel's American steel and wire division, it would be difficult to convince the workers that money is "filthy lucre," as it is often called.

Working to the exacting specifications of the U. S. Treasury Department, the plant produces quality steel strip for the banking of currency. And this strip must be ultra smooth, meticulously clean and bone dry to avoid defacing or soiling the money.

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MRS. JON HUDSON JARMAN

Local 'Ham' Is Way Out, Wins Award

Thomas E. Lutz, K8DTZ, 1147 Hillside Dr., Birmingham, has been awarded membership in the DX Century Club, exclusive society of amateur radio operators who have made two-way short-wave radio contacts with at least 100 countries and colonies of the world.

Using the call letters K8DTZ, assigned by the Federal Communications Commission, he talks regularly from the instrument-packed room of his home with "ham" associates all over the earth—a fraternity of 250,000 friendly, interesting men and women.

After chatting on the air most amateurs follow up their radio contacts with colorful personal postcards, called QSLs after the international signal referring to acknowledgment of receipt.

IN ADDITION to the friendliness of the QSL, these cards are required as evidence of achievement by an amateur seeking membership in the Century Club.

Tens of thousands of American hams have contacted the "easy" countries where there are a large number of amateurs, such as Canada, Germany or Australia.

But the ones like Thailand, Uzbek, Tibet and the Sultanate of Oman are another matter, requiring a high degree of proficiency in long-distance communications. A thorough knowledge of the behavior of radio waves in the ionosphere is but one requisite. Underlying all the apparent fun an amateur has, there is a basic self-training in radio operating under difficult conditions.

The American Radio Relay League, national amateur society, sponsors the DXCC award for proficiency in radio operating which becomes a special asset during natural disasters such as floods or tornadoes, and during war time when the armed forces must have large numbers of trained communicators in a hurry.

MRS. BRUCE E. Mitchell served as honor attendant and bridesmaids were Arlene Daur and M. William R. Jarman. They appeared in white silk organza featuring turquoise embroidered flowers on the skirt and sash to match.

The bride's mother selected a pale blue lace sheath with white accessories and white tea roses. Mrs. Jarman chose an aqua silk organza dress with matching sequin hat. Her flowers were pale yellow roses.

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Since 1953, when the health insurance people to the fore and caused people to cut down drastically in their smoking, cigarettes have made a big comeback. What turned the tide was the timely appearance of new filter-type cigarettes, with their purported protective features. Since then, there has been an annual increase.

BIRMINGHAM residents smoked a total of 3,229,000 packs of cigarettes during 1959, several percent more than in the prior year, on the basis of regional statistics issued by the tobacco industry and nationwide data from the Department of Agriculture.

Among the local population above the age of 14, this was equivalent to a rate of 718 packs a year per capita.

Generally, throughout the United States, consumption amounted to 600 packs a year for this age category and, in the East North Central States, 181 packs.

THE REPORTS show that Americans, with their 190 packs of cigarettes a year, are the smokingest people in the world. Runners-up are Great Britain, with 150 packs, Canada with 144 and Australia, 119.

Some 35 million men in this country and 23 million women are cigarette users, says the Agricultural Department. It expects that the ratio of women smokers will increase much faster than that of men in the next few years.

As to the cost of this little pastime, while it isn't very large at the per-pack level, it runs to enormous size on an annual basis.

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