



Teachers Art Show

Discussing works on exhibit at the second annual teacher's art show of the Oakland County Educational Association are Birmingham-area teachers entered in the show. (From left), Mrs. DeWen Nicholas, Mrs. Carolyn Switzer and George Landino. The

show, which opened May 19, will close May 26. On display at the show are ceramics, paintings, sculpture and jewelry. Other area teachers entered are Joan Lukey, Don Dennis, Eleanor Smith and Georgia Crane.

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Take Most Remarks With Grain of Salt

Whoever said "Say what you mean and mean what you say," would find himself right behind the eight ball today. If he tried to go through even one day with this outmoded theory he'd wind up being hated by his wife, despised by his neighbors and fired from his job.

To show you what I mean let's consider these casual remarks which we hear every day. The parenthetical comments which follow each statement carry the real meaning.

"I was sorry to hear you lost your job, Herman. If there's anything I can do just give me a ring." (Remind me not to answer the phone for a few weeks.)

"This is a temporary layoff fellows. As soon as we re-tool, things will be humming around here." (We sold the business last night and the equipment is being shipped to Mexico next week.)

"THAT'S THE funniest joke I ever heard in my life, Mr. Clavner." (If he weren't my boss I'd tell him that joke was lousy 20 years ago.)

"Sure, Sam, Mary and I would be delighted to come over and see your home movies but we're all tied up this week." (When I run out of excuses I can wear my dark glasses and sleep without them knowing it.)

"You mean you owe me twenty bucks, Bill? Why I'd completely forgotten about it." (What a relief to get that dough back. I kissed that money goodbye long ago.)

"Why sure, Victor, I think we can find a place for your son in

our organization." (If that young clod shows up I'll think of some excuse for not hiring him.)

"Dinner on Thursday? Sorry but George and I already have a date, but we'll be glad to take a rain check." (She's O.K. but George can't stand her husband.)

"I'D BE GLAD to join your bird study club, Clarence, but I don't expect to be in town much for the next year or two." (I'd stay out of town forever if it meant ducking that bunch of deadheads.)

"Oh, I just about broke even playing poker tonight, Honey." (I wonder where I can borrow \$75.00 to carry me over till payday.)

"What a beautiful baby!" (Cheese what a noel!)

"We'd love to hear little Roger play the clarinet but we both have terrible colds." (If we can stall 'em off long enough maybe the kids' playing will improve.)

"Gosh, Freddie, it's nice of you to want me to take your sister to



How much does it cost to get into amateur radio? This is a question every ham must answer frequently in discussing his hobby. For some reason most people think of amateur radio as an expensive hobby. It can be just that, but it certainly does not have to be.

Comparing it with most other hobbies it is, or can be at least, among the least expensive. National Radio goes "all out" in an investment can be tied up in the equipment.

On the other hand by using the less expensive kits and second hand equipment the cost can be cut down to an unbelievable figure.

AN EXTREME case is one local ham who has a complete station which he has built himself from parts purchased second-hand, parts begged or borrowed, plus a few junked TV and radio sets.

His total station has cost him less than ten dollars in cash. Of course this is an extreme case but it shows what can be done.

On the other end of the line there are hams in the area with thousands of dollars invested in commercially built equipment. These are the two extremes.

In the middle are those hams who have either bought or built their equipment and have invested something between two hundred and a thousand dollars.

THE STATION which costs more than a thousand dollars is rare. A figure of around six hundred dollars being a good average. This investment is usually not made all at one time.

It more commonly is stretched over a period of years. There are many good buys available in second hand equipment and it is pleasing to note that the depreciation on good radio equipment is quite gradual.

Many units built prior to World War II are still in excellent condition and if they have been kept properly can make a very good start for the beginner.

SINCE WORLD War II the kits have become very popular too. This makes an excellent purchase because the amateur saves money by buying his equipment in kit form and at the same time he picks up some very valuable experience in putting them together.

The instructions that come with these kits are easy to follow and even a person with no experience whatever can usually do a commendable job. These units are easier to assemble than some of the toys that many of us have struggled with on Christmas Eve!

THERE ARE several hams in the Birmingham area who enjoy the hobby with low power inexpensive sets. Bill Phillipson, K8KQV, is one.

Bill is a student at Groves High School and is the son of Bill Phillipson, Eccentric printer. A very active ham, Young Bill has for a long time worked out with a forty dollar station which he bought in kit form. This is the same type of unit which I have in my own car and sometimes use in the home just for fun.

Bill talks to a lot of people with his little "lunch box" set and probably has as much fun as any ham in town!

WORLD WIDE communication is not the usual thing with this type of set, but it has been done. There are hams in this country who have certificates proving that they have worked all of the continents in the world with sets of equal or less power.

Anyone who is interested in amateur radio as a hobby can be sure that this hobby is no more expensive than any other. On the other hand it is a hobby which can be enjoyed all your life. You never can get too old for ham radio!

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the prom but I promised my mother I'd drive her to the hospital to visit my aunt. (Take HER to the prom? Uh, uh!)

"REALLY, DON." In sorry I can't accept your invitation to become a Scout master but my time is pretty well shot these days. (Count me out when it comes to hiking.)

"I'd be glad to clean the oven tonight, Edna, but I've got to work on an important speech I'm making next week." (Her mother's coming tomorrow and she'll do it.)

"If my car wasn't having transmission trouble I'd be glad to loan it to you for that big date tonight." (That wild man isn't driving my car.)

"I'd sure like to head up the fund drive but this is my busy season." (Count me out, Buddy, I'm having my own collection problems.)

"If our floor waxer weren't in the repair shop we'd gladly let you borrow it." (I hope he doesn't see it hidden behind the kitchen door.)

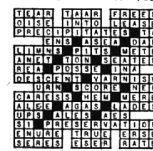
CONGRATULATIONS on your promotion, Paul, it's about time they recognized your ability." (What a politician. It's not what you know but who you know.)

Now that I've given quite a bit of thought to this double talk business I'm beginning to question some of the answers my friends have been giving me.

One classic example was the time I asked my neighbor, Bob Durkin if I could borrow the key to his freezer when he went to Europe. His excuse for turning me down was because he was taking the freezer with him. It seems he's allergic to European food.

With all this double talk going around it's getting so you can't trust anybody.

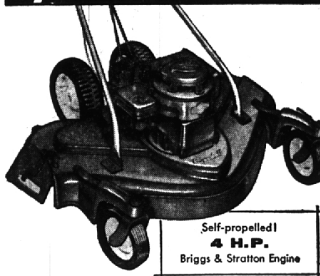
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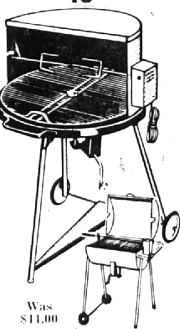
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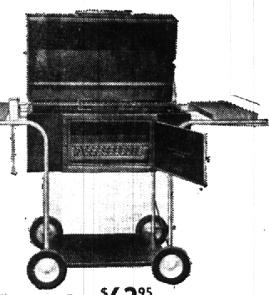
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