# September V.H.F. Party Results 

Though it was not the intention of the originators of our June and September V.H.F. Parties, these affairs are becoming more like v.h.f. field days every year. Looking over the logs for the September V.H.F. Party, the week end of the 19th and 20th, we find that 20 per cent of the entries are for portable stations. The stay-at-homes would not have it otherwise, for there is nothing like a few strategically located portable stations for building up section multipliers and QSO totals for all of us.
V.h.f. men long ago found out that location is not everything. A high elevation far from city noise is fine, but it is only one factor in a winning combination. Unless the best possible equipment and capable operators are available, the highest spot in the country will not pay off in contest awards. Working from the high spots is fun, however you do it, and plenty of v.h.f. enthusiasts "go portable" during a contest just for the pleasure to be derived from it. Others make it a serious business, and the stations they set up for a v.h.f. party week end rival the best Field Day efforts. Transmitters running 500 watts or more are common. Nothing but the best converters and biggest beams will do. Then shifts of operators engage in simultaneous operation on several bands, making hundreds of contacts and running scores into 5 figures.

It was this kind of operation that produced the country's top multioperator score in the September V.H.F. Party. Eight members of the Copperhead V.h.f. Associates of the Washington area set up W3JZY/3 in the Foxville Fire Tower, not far from the presidential retreat at Camp David, Md. The last 150 feet of elevation to the fire tower can be made only on foot, but some 3000 pounds of gear were hand-carried up the hill. The $50-\mathrm{Mc}$. transmitter had a pair of $4 \mathrm{X}-$ 250 Bs in the final, modulated by 203Zs. A Tapetone converter ran into a Super-Pro. These were hitched to a 5 -element beam installed on a 50 foot crankup tower. Another pair of 4X250Bs served on 144 Mc ., with another Tapetone converter working into a $75 \mathrm{~A}-4$. The array was an 8 -element job atop the fire tower. A single 4 X 250 B in a coaxial tank was the final $220-\mathrm{Mc}$. stage. This had a 416B converter and a $51 \mathrm{~J}-4$ re-


Second place in scoring, nationwide, was achieved by W|BJ/1, Mt. Kearsarge, N. H., operated by WIPZA, WIRMH, WIAZK and WIJDF. Here WIPZA is working at the 220-420 position.
ceiver for company. The array, an 11 -element Yagi, was at the 50 -foot level on the fire tower. The 432 -Mc. setup had a 5894 final, a Centimeg converter and 51J-4 receiver, and an 11-element Yagi at 40 feet above ground.
This array of gear was furnished by W3MUO, W3SFY and K3AKK. With it, and last year's experience to profit by, W3JZY/3 racked up 560 contacts, the country's highest total. With a section multiplier of 47 , this netted 28,482 points.

Another group of old hands at mountaintopping made up the crew of W1BJ/1, Mt. Kearsarge, N. H. With W1PZA, W1RMH, W1JDF and W1AZK on the job, W1BJ/1 ran up 420 contacts on 4 bands, for 25,960 points. Their section total, 55 , was the largest reported.

With no pronounced band openings to build up section multipliers, scores were naturally higher in the areas where the ARRL Sections are geographically small. There is the reason, of course, that no national awards are made in our contests; there is no fair hasis for scoring on a nationwide basis. A switch in propagation to favor another section of the country, and these

It was cold on top of Mt. Hamilton, in the Santa Clara Valley Section, but K6TJL/6 was hot. The Southern Peninsula Old Timers Society made 274 contacts on 4 bands for the West's top score, 6304 points. Operators shown are W6CBE, K6SKU, W6GGV and K6IOM.

Easterners might have been snowed under by similar group efforts in other areas. Typical of Western portable ventures was the effort of the Southern Peninsula Old Timers Society, K6TJL/6, operating from Mt. Hamilton, a $4300-$ foot elevation 65 miles southeast of San Francisco. Bad weather held down the portable activity in Northern California, but K6TJL/6 worked 274 stations on 4 bands, for 6304 points. Highlight was a 144-Mc. QSO with W6NLZ, some 300 miles away. He was also heard on 220 Mc., though no contact could be made on that band.


Paso, Texas, scene of operations for W5MVL/5 in the September Party. Mountain top is reached only by aerial tramway.
At the opposite end of the scale as far as scores go, but certainly with one of the most spectacular locations, was W5MVL/5, atop Ranger Peak, El Paso, Texas. The site is 1900 feet above downtown El Paso, but only 3 miles distant. Access is by 2300 -foot aerial tramway only. A TV station is under construction there, but this will not rule out v.h.f. work there in the future. Chief Engineer of the new layout is W5MCI. The transmitter supervisor is W5ESZ. W5VYD is program director, and W5MVL is the studio engineering supervisor. The owner is a former ham. Adequate provision for amateur radio is being made in the building plans!
Leading home station, and winner of the Eastern Massachusetts Section award was W1OOP, Needham, Mass. Hank and K2CBA, Troy, N. Y., shared top section honors, with 37 each. Both worked 4 bands. W100P ran up 6253 points on 145 contacts. W8WEN, Alliance, Ohio, worked almost twice as many stations, but with two bands and a lower section potential he finished second to W1OOP, with 5796 points and the Ohio Section award. Top one-band total was made on 144 Mc . by K1CRQ, Bethlehem, Conn. Stu worked 298 stations (largest contact total by a single operator) in 18 sections, for 5328 points and the Connecticut Section award. W9ROS, Roselle, Ill., used 50 and 220 Mc . effectively in taking Illinois Section honors with 273 contacts and 3731 points. K9KLU, Tinley Park, Ill., was the top $50-\mathrm{Mc}$. station, with 281 contacts for 2810 points.
The countrywide v.h.f. boom is reflected in


K2JWT at the operating position of W2YKQ/2, station of the Lake Success Radio Club, atop Jane Hill, Huntington, L. I., highest spot on the Island. 308 stations were worked on 50, 144 and 220 Mc ., for 10,948 points.
scores almost everywhere. K4OSF/4, Sharps Ridge Park, Knoxville, Tenn., had no breaks in the form of DX openings, yet worked 140 stations on 50 and 144 Mc . K5WPD says that there was very little activity in the North Texas Section, but he worked 92 stations on 50 Mc .

Our contest report would not be complete without a little story from W2WZR, Syracuse, N. Y. Jim has an "aurora location," what amounts to a 3 -sided well, open to the north. He operates only on c.w. - which is the hard way to run up a big total under average conditions. He is not a needed section under ordinary conditions, and most of the phone-only operators give him little attention. His moment of glory came when aurora burst forth Sunday night. It didn't last long, but it gave W2WZR a chance to be "wanted" for a few minutes. Result: 15 contacts in 10 different sections, after almost no results in the first 18 hours of operating.


Crew of W2LWI/2, third-ranking multioperator station. Front, K2UKE, W2KGC. Rear, K2GCH, K2OZT, W2YPM and W2LWI. Operating from Overlook Mountain in the Catskills, W2LWI/2 worked 380 stations on 4 bands. Section multiplier of 51 gave them 21,624 points.

## SCORES

In the following tabulation, scores are listed by ARRL Divisions and Sections. Unless otherwise noted, the top scorer in each section receives a certificate award. Columns indicate the final score, the number of contacts, the section multiplier, and the bands used. A represents 50 Mc . B, 144 Mc.; C, 220 Mc.; I), 420 Mc.; and E, 1215 Mc. or higher. Multiple-operator stations are shown at the end of each section tabulation.

## ATLANTIC DIVISION

## E. I'ennsylvania

W3FEY W3OLV/3
W3ARW 3450-165-26-ABC W3LXM/3
W3WJC. $3151-137-23-\mathrm{AB}$ W3AZC. 1976-104-19-AB W3TDEF. 1104-92-12-AB W3OSA ...570- 30-19-AB W3GFN $1 . .468-52-9-\mathrm{A}$ K3IUV…468-52-9-A KN3HBí ${ }^{-423-47-9-A}$ W3MMV . 190 - 52 - 6-B K3CHF...175- $25-7-\mathrm{AB}$ W3LDA.... 44- 11- 4-A
W3FJV... . 36- 12- 3-B W3KX/32 (8 oprs) 18,737-427-41-ABC W3OI (6 oprs.) W3ZIN (5 oprs.) W3SNM (7928-225-26-ABC K3BUZ $/ 3 \underset{(\mathrm{~K} 3 \mathrm{~S} \text { BPH BUZ })}{4598-209-22-A B}$ K3GMM/3(K3s GMM GOX 1496-136-11-A K3IPM/3 (K3s IPM BSX AUH) ....62-31-2-A Md.-Det.-D. C. W3LCC. .2420-106-20-ABC W3CGV. . 1771- 67-23-ABCD K3DQA ${ }^{1} \cdots 364-52-7-A B$ W3GKP...364- 26-14-B KЗСРJ....245- 35- 7-AB K3AZH...259- 37- 7-A W3CQH...180- 45- 4-A W3MNE. . 140- 35- 4-A W3LMC.. 110- 22- 5- ${ }^{-10}$ K3BYB...105- 35- 3-A W3JZY $/ 32$ (8 oprs.)

28,482-560-47-ABCD K3DLB (3 oprs.)
W3CVL $\begin{gathered}\text { (3 } 3 \text { oprs.) } \\ \text {. } 140-28-5-B-16-A B\end{gathered}$
S. New Jersey

W2BLV. 4692-127-34-ABD K2MPV..4140-180-23-AB K2YIB...1524-127-12-B W2ESX...462- 42-11-AB WV2GLL...68-17-4-B WA2FFC $/ 2$ (WA2s AGJ FFC) . . . . 12- 6-2-A

Western New York W2UTH. . 1890-126-15-AB K2DBB. 1568-112-14-AB K2GUG. . 1008 - 78-12-ABC K2SQB1 $\ldots .560-80-7-\mathrm{A}$ K2SQB1...560- 80-7-A W2KIJ. W2REIX..272- 68- 4-A W2RXG...189-21-9-B W2MTA...180- $40-3-\mathrm{B}-\mathrm{B}$ W2MTA...160- 40-4-A W2WXY... 150- 15-10-B W2SSC... . . 86- 43- 2-B WV2GEK ${ }^{3} . .84-42-2-\mathrm{B}$ WV2GEK $. .84-42-2-\mathrm{B}$
WV2CJI...56- 14- 4-B K2PKK...56-15-28- 2-B WA2CUZ...38- 19- $2-\mathrm{B}$
WV2CWR
18-
WW2JGJ/2 $2^{2}$ ( 0 prs.) K2IXJ/2 (K2s 5301-171-31-AB K2RRM ( 6 oprs. K2ZER/2 (10 oprs. K2DUR/2 (K2s DUR VKR, W2OZE) 1078- 77-14-AB

Hestern I'ennsylvania W3RUE. . 2625- 96-25-ABC W3OMY.1904-112-17-A W3MSR/3.258- 43-6-B K3GQT 3 . 184 - 49- 5 - 4 W3KWH ${ }^{2}$ (40prs.) W3TIF (W3s TIF ZMP, K3WNSF K3AKR)
$550-55-10-\mathrm{AB}$
CENTRAL DIVISION
Ilitnois
W9ROS . .3731-273-13-AC K9KLU. . $2810-281-10-\mathrm{A}$ W9EQC...887-263-9-A K9EQC...880- 59-11-BC K9DTB...546- 78- 7-AB KN9RBE. $345-64-$ 4-AB KN9RBE. 256- 64- 4-B
KN9QAM. $105-35-3-\mathrm{B}$ W99QAM.105- 35- 3-B K9KWY . . .44- 22- 2-A K9GJO. . . . .28- 14- 2-A

Indiana
K9GFQ. .2130-213-10-A K9PED , 2115-141-15-AB K9MZV‥880-80-11-AB K9IXD...498- 83- 6-AB K9HYV... 180- 45- 4-A II isconsin
K90XY...765-85-9-AB W9TQ. . . 585- 65-9-AB

## DAKOTA DIVISION

Minnesota
KপAKJ. . . 315- 45-7-AB WQAUS . . 228-76- 6-A KøDTA ${ }^{1} . . .78$ - 26- 3-AB KøLAV....50- 25- 2-A

## DELTA DIVISION

Arka世: as
K5IPL. . . .132- 22- 6-AB
Loutstana
W5FYZ . . . 72- 18- 4-B Tennessee
W4HHK. 468- 34-13-ABCD
K4PZJ. . . . 72 - $24-3-\mathrm{A}$ K4UXL 1806-129-14-AB

GREAT LAKES DIVISION

Kentucku
W4GSH ..640-80-8-AB K4BPY (2 oprs.) ${ }^{160-32-5-A}$ Michigan
K8ACC . . 1032-129- 8-AB K8BGZ...888-74-12-AB W8PT - 825- 38-15-BC K8DKR.. $802-117-6$-A K8KIX... 588-98-6-A K8YA W8UUJC... 376- 94- 4-A K8GKX... 144- 36- 4-A
W8VRH.
4W8PYQ... 105-20-5-ABC
 K8BTH....60- 6- 15- 9- 1-B Ohio
W8WEN . 5796-276-21-AB W8AQ . 1782- 81-22-AB W8GGH. 1649-97-17-B W8COZ . . 1053-117-9-AB
${ }^{1}$ Technician Award Winner; ${ }^{2}$ Multiple operator Award Winner; ${ }^{3}$ Novice Award Winner; ${ }^{4} \mathrm{Hq}$. Staff, not eligible for Award; ${ }^{5}$ W4YHD opr.; ${ }^{6}$ WØIJR.

W8DAU.. .984- 78-12-ABD W8BAX.. $780-60-12-A B C D$ W8LCRA ...416- 52- 8-AB K8CRF .. 150- 50- 3-A KN8QAC.. 44- 22- $2-1$ K8NMD ( 7 oprs.) $1650-165-10-\mathrm{AB}$ K8LME/8 (4 oprs.) 560-70-8-A

## HUDSON DIVISION

Eastern New York K2CBA. . 5402-127-37-ABCD W2LKP . 1152-58-18-BC K2CVG. 780-65-12-A WA2EKE.476- 68- 7-B
K2YAZ...416-52-8-B K2YAZ. . .416- 52- 8-B WV2GGQV/ $\mathbf{2}^{3}{ }^{3}$ - 36-11-B WV2HAQ..204- 33- 9-B K2KEQ/2.135- 27- 5- 5 WV2HAW..28- 7-4-B W2TMM..24-12- 2-A W2LWI/2 $2^{2}$ ( 6 oprs.)
$\mathrm{W} 2 \mathrm{HBC} / 2 \underset{(\mathrm{~W} 2 \mathrm{~s} \text { HBC }}{21,624-380-51-\mathrm{ABCD}}$ W2AF $14.025-400-33-\mathrm{ABC}$
W2AF/2 ( 6 oprs.)
W2SZ (4 oprs.) 4725-189-25-AB
N.Y.C.-L.I.

K2IEJ/2.5088-159-32-AB K2TGR ${ }^{1}$. 3438-191-18-AB K2VIX...2774-146-19-AB W2AOC. . 2002- 64-22-BC K2UOY . . 1342-122-11-B K2LEG.. 1008-84-12-B K2UTN.. 909-101-9-A WV2FBA..288-48-6-B W2IN....160- 32- 5-B W2EZL. . $140-28-5-\mathrm{A}$ WA2BOY. 128-32- 4-A K2IRS. ...120-30- 4-B W2BYN....60-10-6-B K2QJQ.....48-
W20
6- 4-C
W-D W2YKQ/22 ${ }^{2}\left(\mathrm{~K} 2 \mathrm{~s}{ }^{5-} \mathrm{DB}^{2-\mathrm{D}} \mathrm{JWT}^{2}\right.$ W2YHP)
K2LIO (K2s LIO QEP YQL) K2LQL (4431-211-21-AB K2LQL (K2s LQL QLY) W2TUK $\begin{gathered}380-76- \\ \text { W2TUK, } \\ 88-22-\mathrm{B} \\ \text { W-B } \\ 4-\mathrm{B}\end{gathered}$

Northern New Jersey
W2DZA. 3213- 97-27-ABCD
K2KIB... 1860- 83-20-ABC K2GTO1..1212-101-12-A W2GKR...784-98- 8-A W2QJY …588-84- 7-B K2AEU..560-70- 8-A K2SHY...539- 77- 7-B K2JPD....306- 51- 6-AB K2DIG....252- 21- 7-AC WV2DEC. 176- 44- 4-B W2PEZ/2 ${ }^{2}$ ( 8 oprs.) K2OPI $20,670-485-39-\mathrm{ABC}$ 6966-251-27-ABC
K2LYU (K2s OWR LYU) K2YEW/2 2 (K2s U5 UKT YEW WYR). 1782-99-18-AB WA2CCF/2 (K2s GHY PNK, WA2CCF)
WA2AJS (K2LXL ${ }^{1771-161-A B}$ WA2AJS (K2LXL WA2AJS) WA2DNI $/ 2$ ( 10 oprs.) K2KUS (K2KUS, WA2FWG)
W2CVW/2 (WV2CHN, W2-

68-17-4-A

| MIDWEST DIVISION | NORTHWESTERN |
| :---: | :---: |
| Kansas | DIVISION |
| Oregon |  |

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## PACIFIC DIVISION

Santa Clara Valley K6TJL/6 (multiple-operator) 6304-274-21-ABCD
W7LIH/6 (W7s LIH VMP) 738- 82- 9-AB
East Bay
W6ASH. . 2613-193-13-ABC
K6TPO. . . 477- 53- 9-AB
WA6AGA/6 (4 oprs.)
3210-321-10-AB
Sacramento Valley
K6YII... .231- 33- 7-AB K6KDU. . .220- 44- 5-B K6LKK. . . 155- 31- 5-A WV6GNB . 100- 25- 4-B

San Joaquin Valley
W6FZA/6.705- 42-15-ABCD K6QEZ/6 (6 oprs.) 760-76-10-AB

## ROANOKE DIVISION

North Carolina
W4ZXI...1140- 56-20-ABC
W4CAH... 85- 17- 5-AB
W4VHH... .85- 17- 5-B K4KSM....24- 8- 3-A W4BUU.....5- 1-1-B W4NC/4 (8 oprs.) 729-81-9-AB W4GNF/4 (W4s ACY ULX, K4HQM)

503- 57-9-A
South Carolina
W4TLC. . .340- 32-10-ABC
W4VIW. . .256- 32-8-AB
W4FAN....12- 6- 2-A Virginia
W4LTU . .3807-141-27-AB
W4AO ${ }^{5}$. . $2900-145-20-\mathrm{B}$
K4RA Y ${ }^{1}$. 2322-118-18-ABC
W4WUX/4
1224-101-12-AC
W4AUR.. 132- 33- 4-B
K4VWH... 108- 27- 4-A K4EUS... . 100- 20- 5-B K4RTG....75-25-3-A K4PUD...112- 6- 2-A K4SSA/4 (K4s IEY SSA, W3-

WWA). 608-76-8-A
W3ML/4 (W3ML, W9QIQ)
72-18-4-B
West Virginia
K8AXU/8.279- 28- 9-BC K8ELJ. 1- 1-1-A W3PGA/81 (7 oprs.)

3743-197-19-AB
W8QLP/8 (W3DHQ, W8QLP) . . 340- 34-10-AB K3EIZ/8 (2 oprs.) 2- 2- 1-A

## ROCKY MOUNTAIN DIVISION

## Colorado

KøLSL ${ }^{6}$. . . 32- 32- 1-A K0LSL.....32-32- 1-A WøWYX...32-32- 1-A K0BTO . . . .30- 30- 1-A WดLVI.......7- 7- 1-A KøKKW̆....5-5-1-A

## New Mexico

W5JVO . 140- 35- 4-AB W5RKE/5..66- 22- 3-AB W5MVL/5..64-16-4-AB K5UYF/5. 24- 8- 3-AB K5IQL...16- 8- 2-AB

Wyoming
W7UFB.....1-1-1-A W7VTB......1-1-1-A

## SOUTHEASTERN DIVISION

Alabama
K4GQK. . . 80- 16- 5-AB Eastern Florida
W4RMU . 65- 13- 5-AB K4PPX ${ }^{1}$.. . .60-60- 1-A K4IQS . . . . .53- 53- 1-A K4SLJ. . . . . 52- 52- 1-A W4HGT....37-37-1-A Georgia
W4FWH . 260- 26 -10-ABC K4MDF... .85- 17- 5-B K4SJF . . . . .36- 12- 3-B に4YMC.....23-23-1-

## SOUTHWESTERN DIVISION

Los Angeles
W6TNJ . . 845-169- 5-AB W6NLZ. . 144-13- 9-ABCD WA6DHH. .42- 21- 2-B
K6IEA ( 7 oprs.)
$1265-253-5-\mathrm{AB}$
K6KDE/6 ( 4 oprs.)
584-69- 8-ABCE Arizona
W7QLZ/7..6-6-1-A
K7JTG/7 (K7JTG. W7s VLN
VMQ)....94-47-2-AB
San Diego
K6COE . . 144- 36- 4-AB

## WEST GULF DIVISION

## Northern Texas

W5FEG. . .370-74- 5-AB K5WPD ${ }^{1} . .184-92-2-$ K5PDD ....64- 32- 2-A K5KWB....28-14-2-A K5SXU . . . .27- 27- 1-A K5VPH . . . . 26- 26- 1-A
K5KVE....23- 23- 1-A
K5RAK. . . .22- 22- 1-A K5TXX....12- 6- 2-AB W5GMA...10-10-1-A K5PCN. . . 10- 10- 1-A K5VQK (K5s BKC VQK)

45-45- 1-A
Southern Texas
W5JLY. . 111- 37- 3-A
W5MVL/5..64-16-4-A13

## CANADIAN DIVISION

## Ontarto

VE3DIR.2784-110-21-ABC
VE3AIB. 1547-115-13-ABC
VE3AQG. 1104- 92-12-B
VE3ELA/3
568-71-8-B
VE3HW...462- 66- 7-B
VE3CIT...450-90- 5-B
VE3NW.. 392- 49- 8-AB
VE3DUU..252-63-4-B
VE3BQP . 162- 54- 3-B
VE3CIL … 120- 40- 3-B
VO1DS/VE3.2- 2- 1-B
VE3CNA $/ 3$ (multiple-operator) .... 244-61-4-B
VE3BAF/3 (VE3S BAF BNZ)

