

Aircraft Electrical Society to Donate Radios to Explorer Posts

An exciting opportunity for science-minded Explorer Posts in the Los Angeles Area Boy Scout Council has been offered by the Aircraft Electrical Society.

The AES, a non-profit organization with 1100 members, will supplement the new specialty Explorer program by supplying one complete amateur radio station (Gonset Communicator III operating in the two meter band) to each of the 13 districts of the Los Angeles Area Council.

A complete radio station will be a loan to a Post for six months and then re-issued to another Post in the same district for another six months. This period of time has been determined as adequate for a Post, if it is interested, to develop its own radio communication equipment and become self-sustaining.

THE PROJECT is administered by the Council staff, and if successful this pilot program will be extended to other Councils in the area.

Posts interested in obtaining a set may contact their district Scout executive, or the Los Angeles Area Council office.

In addition to supplying the sets free of charge, the AES will give technical assistance where it is needed, according to Luther Monell, chairman of the group's youth science education committee.

MONELL, WHO operates his own ham radio outfit, believes that "the young man of Explorer age is aware that his role in society is becoming increasingly technical in nature. His everyday activities are involved with technical devices not available when his father was his age.

"The Explorer is living in a fascinating world where it is possible for his wildest imaginations to develop into acceptable programs for the future."

The aim of the Boy Scouts of America is to satisfy all the

curiosities Explorer-age young men have for science and business, and to kindle a desire for further exploration in the field of their special interest.

IT IS IN this area of aiding the curious young man that the new "special interest" Explorer

post was initiated. This program helps the Explorer to take a long look ahead at those questions of education and choosing the most useful role for himself in the business world.

The amateur radio stations purchased and given by the

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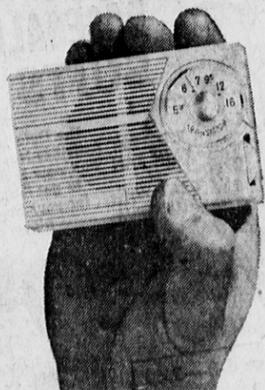
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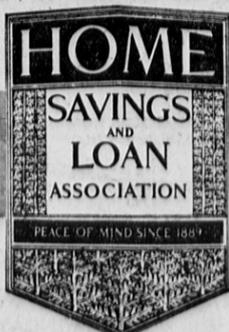


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