

The Story of the OCARC

A Closer Look

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Overview of the OCARC Chronology

- September 1932: Harry A. Moore licensed W6FUU.

- March 10, 1933: The Long Beach Earthquake

Beginning 1: The Radio Shops

- 1933: “Moore Bros” radio repair shop opens and Harry Moore co-owner of “Radio Den.”
- August 1933: OCARC display in window of Montgomery Ward.
- Thursday, November 16th, 1933: First OCARC Meeting
- March 15th, 1934: OCARC is ARRL affiliate.
- May 1934: The Moore Bros and Radio Den in business.
- September 1934: Earl K. Moore is licensed W6IGO.
- 1935: Earl Moore moves to L.A.?
- April 1935: Moore Bros and Radio Den are closed.

Ending 1: Disbanded

Pre-War Club:

Beginning 2:

- January 15th, 1936: Meeting, Norol Evans W6LYM, elected president.

Activity:

- 1936-1937: The Santa Ana Floods
- 1938: The L.A. and Orange County Flood
- 1939: The Long Beach Flood

Ending 2: Suspended

- 1942: Suspended for World War II

Post-War Club:

Beginning 3:

- 1945: Roy Maxson elected president.
- July 17-23rd, 1953: Third National Jamboree

Ending 3: Activities Slow

The Two Clubs, Beginning 4: “The Dog Patch”

- November 27th, 1953: “Orange County Radio Club” first record.

Beginning 5:

- October 22nd, 1958: Ken Kessel W6BVI, president.

The W6ZE Club, Ending 4: Relicensing

- February 9th, 1959: The Orange County Radio Club ends, and
- The Orange County Amateur Radio Club is granted “W6ZE,”
- Spring 1959: Last record of “The Orange County Radio Club”
- August 4th, 1960: The OCARC is incorporated.
- March 1st, 1965: Orange Section forms
- Sunday, March 3rd, 1968: Heart Fund Drive.
- 1980: Red Cross O’Neill Park fire operations.
- 1981: “Explorer Post,” for the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary.
- 1985: Health and welfare traffic after the Mexico City 8.2 magnitude earthquake.
- September 9th, 1987, 6:00pm: Santiago Canyon Fire
- 1992: Earthquakes
 - April 22nd, 1992: A 6.1 magnitude earthquake
 - June 28th, 1992: Landers 7.4 and Big Bear 6.5 magnitude earthquakes
- October 1997: The Orange Fire.

Rather than covering Field Day and other ARRL/OCARC activities, this presentation will be focusing on the beginnings of the OCARC, and its service to the community. New discoveries will be underlined.

Be forewarned, it's going to be a bumpy ride...

Our Founding Premise:

Southern California Amateurs Rise to Earthquake Emergency

By Clinton B. DeSoto*

THE earth went mad, heaving itself in a giant, retching shudder. . . . Ten minutes after the California earthquake an amateur station was on the air, telling the world.

Through the night, other amateurs emerged painfully from the wreckage, salvaged parts and tubes and power-supply facilities sufficient to get their stations back on the air again. Aid was offered the civic and military authorities in control of the situation; personal messages to relatives and friends of earthquake survivors commenced to trickle in; an avid press pleaded for information. The amateur emergency work of the Southern California earthquake on March 10th began in grim, actual earnest.

Six hours elapsed before any vestige of wire line service was through to Long Beach, center of the stricken area. It was four hours before broadcast station KFOX regained the air, the roof having fallen in the dynamo room. During this time amateur radio was the sole means of announcement and communication, and during the week following, when wire lines could not handle any appreciable percentage of the traffic, amateurs stepped to the fore as a communication system second to none in usefulness and efficiency.

The first official messages to be transmitted were from Mayor Harris of Long Beach and Mayor Porter of Los Angeles to the Adjutant-General of the state, requesting aid and reporting the loss of many lives. These were QST'ed by Francis M. Sarver, W6AOR, of Los Angeles, and by stations in the Long Beach and San Diego areas. A later message was addressed to Army officials at Washington, via WAR, requesting that the military at San Diego and surrounding points be instructed to operate in the

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emergency zone. When they did take over control, Major Albert M. Jones, head of the intelligence department of the 9th Corps Area, invoked the aid of amateur radio in handling his branch of the work, with schedules between Long Beach and San Pedro.

A five-station net centering on W6GSR in Long Beach was for a considerable time the only means of communication with the Navy Yard at San Pedro, the National Guard headquarters there, and the governor's office and state motor patrol

officers at Sacramento. George F. Moynahan, Jr., W6AXI, was the Sacramento station, with C. N. Fisher, W6FFN, Covina, W6ETV, San Pedro, and Vernal Routh, W6CJQ, Los Angeles, as relay points. Messages were handled for Governor Rolph and Lt. Governor Frank Merriam. W6GSR was put out of commission by a severe shock at midnight, but was back on the air within an hour with a hastily rigged small portable set.

Al Martin, Jr., W6BYT, one of the first stations on the air in Long Beach after the first heavy tremors, handled official traffic exclusively from his installation at American Legion hall, where he was assisted by half a dozen operators. Great quantities of supplies, equipment and personnel were secured through this station.

KFOX, the Long Beach broadcasting station, which began operating from an emergency booth in the Bail Bond office opposite City Hall, was overwhelmed with requests to broadcast messages reassuring relatives and friends of the safety of families and individuals, and turned this traffic over to amateur stations, as well as making announcements of the A.R.R.L. service. The bulk of the traffic received through his source was handled by W6BYD, assisted by W6BXI, W6UY, W6BQP, and W6CXS. The biggest difficulty lay in the fact that the telephone at

FEDERAL RADIO COMMISSION Washington, D. C.

March 18, 1933

The American Radio Relay League,
38 LaSalle Road,
West Hartford, Conn.

Attention: Mr. K. B. Warner

Dear Sir:

The Commission takes pleasure in informing you that it has received information commending the amateurs of Southern California for the splendid work done by them in handling communications in the recent earthquake area.

The names of the individual licensees who cooperated in this work are not known to the Commission. However, it is known that amateurs have always rendered every possible assistance during times of such emergencies, and it is hardly necessary to add that the Commission believes such service to be of the highest order of importance.

It will be appreciated if you will express through the medium of the American Radio Relay League the Commission's appreciation of the prompt and efficient action which was taken by amateur licensees in bringing aid to the stricken areas.

Very truly yours,

/s/ HAROLD A. LAFOUNT,
Acting Chairman.

May, 1933

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Courtesy May 1933 QST

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Film of 1933 Long Beach Earthquake Aftermath:

https://archive.org/details/con_00002

• Friday, March 10th, 1933,
5:54pm:

The Long Beach Earthquake

• May 1933 QST: "Southern California Amateurs Rise to Earthquake Emergency" by Clinton B. DeSoto

• OCARC Members Assist:
Earle H. Hanson W6BQP
Luther M. Turner W6EZY

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W6BVD was out of order along with hundreds of others, but after a conference with the manager of the telephone company an emergency line was rigged in less than an hour, and messages poured in along it in a steady stream.

In Los Angeles, where the damage was not nearly as great, nearly every active amateur in the city was to be found on watch. A big part of the relief traffic was with battleships lying off the California coast, whose officers and men had families ashore in the stricken cities. KFI, of Los Angeles, duplicated to some extent the work of KFOX in broadcasting information concerning the condition of individual families, but here again amateur radio service was considerably more effective.

The Los Angeles Police Department through municipal police radio station KGPL broadcast an urgent request for the erection of an amateur phone station at Los Angeles Patriotic Hall. Amateurs Nikirk, Cook and Strople of Pasadena responded and got W6BZC on the air, operating for 30 hours continuously. On the morning of March 13th, KFI broadcast a call for four amateur operators with portable receiving and transmitting equipment—and probably got them, although no further details are available.

Martin Corcoran, W6GOY, Artesia, W6QWX, South Pasadena, and stations in San Diego, Whittier, Santa Ana, San Clemente and La Jolla handled more than 500 messages for the American Red Cross, American Legion, Los Angeles General Hospital, Salvation Army, County Welfare



EMERGENCY TRAFFIC FLOWED WITHOUT PAUSE FROM THE KEY AT W6BVD
Edward Sealey, W6QXS, is shown at the operating position, while M. J. Campbell, W6UY, takes down messages from earthquake survivors via the emergency telephone line.

units and the California Highway Patrol. When W6GOY at Artesia announced, "Boy, that was quite a shakel!" the operators at W6BZC, in Los Angeles, waited three seconds before feeling the tremor.

The 1.7- and 4-mc. phone men did Herculean work, handling traffic to all sections of the country and broadcasting general information. The 1.7-mc. men, particularly, were the best organized of those active in any band during the early part of the evening; all those in the earthquake area that had workable stations were on. QRM was a problem in the 75-meter band, but a group of stations including W6CNE, W6EZY, W8DLD, W9FLT, W8WI, W8AOE, W1CWH, W2GO, W2HY and W9MM helped to clear the band for the emergency traffic.



CHARACTERISTIC OF LONG BEACH'S DEMOLITION IS THIS VIEW OF RUINS NEAR WHERE AN AMATEUR EMERGENCY STATION WAS SET UP

One young schoolboy with a simple self-excited transmitter on 1750-ke. and a brand-new "H" license (we can't determine the rest of the call) hooked a microphone and loop around his tank coil and did some of the best of the early work for the authorities. In emergencies all methods are justified! Although his home and station were close to the beach and terrifying rumors of tidal waves were circulating, he didn't run out and hit for the hills, but stayed at his post. Many other amateurs with comparatively little experience did splendid work, proving that the race is to the willing, not to the swift, in times like these.

The number of stations actually contributing to amateur radio's public service record in this emergency reaches into the hundreds; there were dozens in the primary earthquake area alone. We mention, briefly, but with due regard for the importance of their work, the following: W. A. Adams, W6ANN, Long Beach, who handled hundreds of personal messages, delivering much of his traffic direct on 14 mc. Vernon Keays, W6GRH, Huntington Park, who was on the air by 8:05 p.m. and handled traffic until 10 a.m., hanging onto receiver and transmitter with both hands in involuntary QSK during shocks—as did most of the other stations in the area; WLVR, WLVG, WLVE—both the Army and Navy nets displayed wonderful organization; Ludwig A. Hedstrom, W6CIZ, Oakland; who kept continuous watch on 7 mc. for three days, along with A. W. Fuller, W6AF, Oakland; Ed. Stevens, W7BB, Seattle, who took 1500 words of press to an AP direct wire and handled 300 messages in 48 hours' continuous watch. W6CIU, W6HBP, W6RQY, W6FDE, W6LN, W6FYN, W6CMT,

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Beginning 1: The Radio Shops

One question that comes to mind is...

- How is the start of the Moore brothers' radio shop connected with the start of the Orange County Amateur Radio Club in the Winter to Spring of 1933?
- Our club history goes beyond the name. It is a continuity of members, officers, and eyewitnesses back to 1933, with Earl K. Moore W6IGO, as our first president. The opening of the "Moore Bros" radio repair shop (by Earl K. and Harry A. Moore) at 206 W. 1st St., from January 1933 to later, to their closing by April 1935, sets their location in Santa Ana at this time.
- There are also signposts.
- There is an account by an employee (Eleanor Walden) of Montgomery Ward of the club display of an amateur radio station in the store window which opens in August 1933, on the corner of Fourth and Main, in Santa Ana. So the OCARC must have begun between January and August of 1933.
- According to the ARRL, The Orange County Amateur Radio Club becomes an affiliate on March 15th, 1934, while the Moore Bros. radio shop is in business.

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HISTORICAL COLLECTIONS, THE FIRST AMERICAN CORPORATION

Montgomery Ward 1934
102 E Fourth Street, Santa Ana, CA

RADIO AMATEURS FORM CLUB HERE

Plans for future meetings were being made today following the first meeting of radio amateurs of Orange county here Thursday night. Named the Orange County Amateur Radio club, members of the new organization elected Earl Moore, W6IGO, president, and Tom Jentges, W6BXI, secretary.

Twenty charter members were enrolled at the organization meeting. It was decided to hold future meetings in the Santa Ana Y.M.C.A. building. Other radio operators and amateurs in the county will be invited to join the new group, as well as anyone interested in radio work.

Members of the club voted to join the A.A.R.L. and the Federation of Radio Clubs of Southern California, becoming a part of the two organizations.

Another question that arises is...

- Were we named “The Orange County Amateur Radio Club” from the start?
- According to the ARRL records and the Santa Ana Register, yes.

However, in the days of the Civil Defense, from Fall 1954 to Spring 1959 the title in the Radio Amateur Callbook is “The Orange County Radio Club.” More on this later.

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ORANGE COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

Basic Information

Call Sign: W6ZE
Annual Report: Aug 11th 2015
Meeting Time: 3rd Friday Monthly at 7:00 PM
Meeting Place: Red Cross Building, 600 Parkcenter Dr., Santa Ana, CA
Section: ORG
Affiliation Date: Mar 15th 1934
Specialties: Contest, Digital Modes, DX, General Interest, Public Service/Emergency, VHF/UHF
Services Offered: Club Newsletter, Mentor, On-The-Air Bulletins
Links: <http://www.w6ze.org>

Club Statistics

Club Members: 113
Voting Members: 113
Voting Licensed Amateur Members: 113
Voting ARRL Members: 80

Contact Information

Club Name: ORANGE COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
Call Sign: W6ZE
Contact: Robert W. Eckweiler AF6C
Daytime Phone: (714) 639-5074
Evening Phone: (714) 639-5074
Email: ocarc_info@w6ze.org

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- The Founders
- Harry A. Moore W6FUU was licensed some time between June 1931 and September 1932, about two years before Earl.
However, it was Earl who became president of the OCARC. Were there hard feelings between Harry and Earl, or was Earl reaching out to Harry, who at the time, partnered with Edward Knapp to run “Radio Den,” a well-established radio store in Santa Ana?

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Radio Amateur Callbook
(Archive.org)

• Earl K. Moore W6IGO/W7JZQ/W5SKU
-1997:

W7JZQ Earl K Moore Silent Key

-Winter 1988 to 1996:

Earl K. Moore.

W7JZQ General class.

10401 Cave Crk Rd-#243.

Phoenix, AZ 85020

-Winter 1987:

Earl K Moore

W6JZQ General class

301 Carnes Valley.

Comanche TX 76442

-Winter 1976 to Winter 1986:

Earl K. Moore.

W7JZQ General class.

10401 Cave Crk Rd-#243.

Phoenix, AZ 85020

-Winter 1968 to Winter 1975:

Earl K Moore

W7JZQ General class.

5331 E Pinchot.

Phoenix, AZ 85018

-Winter 1968 No W5SKU

-Fall 1957 to Summer 1968:

Earl K. Moore

W5SKU

5864 Louisville

New Orleans 24 LA

-Fall 1952 to Spring 1956:

Earl K. Moore

W5SKU

205 North Broad.

New Orleans, LA

-Spring 1951:

“5” No Earl Moore

-Fall 1947 to Spring 1951:

W7JZQ Earl K. Moore

401 W. Jackson.

Phoenix, AZ

-Summer 1946 to Fall 1947:

“6” no Earl Moore

“7” W7JZQ E. K. Moore

401 W. Jackson.

Phoenix, AZ

-WWII

-Spring 1940 to Winter 1941:

11537 Pope Av.,

Lynwood, Calif.

(just west of Downey)

-Winter 1938 to Spring 1939:

703 N. Av 54.

Los Angeles, Calif.

-Fall 1937:

426 Main St.

Huntington Beach, Calif.

(Stn at 312 Jackson.

Midway City)

-Spring 1936:

6716 Cerritos.

Long Beach, Calif.

-Spring 1935:

162 Savona Wk.,

Long Beach, Calif.

-Fall 1934:

146 Siena Drive.

Long Beach, Calif.

- According to the ARRL, The Orange County Amateur Radio Club becomes an affiliate on March 15th, 1934, while the Moore Bros. radio shop is in business.

- May 1934:
The “Moore Bros” radio repair shop is recorded in business.

- September 1934:
Earl K. Moore is licensed W6IG0 by this time.

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- Harry A. Moore W6FUU/W7JWI -1993:

_____ W7JWI Harry A Moore
Silent Key.

-Winter 1988 to 1992:

_____ W7JWI General class
_____ Harry A Moore
_____ HC 75 Box 3727
_____ Camp Verde, AZ 86322

-Winter 1983 to Winter 1987:

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_____ Harry A Moore
_____ Box 2022
_____ Camp Verde, AZ 86322

-Winter 1975 to Winter 1982:

_____ W7JWI Harry A. Moore
_____ General class.
_____ 813 E Cheryl Dr. Box 9716.
_____ Phoenix AZ, 85068

-Fall 1967 to Winter 1974:

_____ W7JWI General class
_____ Harry A. Moore
_____ 4142 N. 18th St.
_____ Phoenix, AZ 85016

-Fall 1962 to Spring 1966:

_____ Harry A. Moore
_____ W7JWI
_____ P.O. Box 7245
_____ Phoenix 11, Ariz.

-Fall 1952 to Spring 1961:

_____ W7JWI Harry A. Moore
_____ 4142 No. 18th St.
_____ Phoenix

-Fall 1947 to Spring 1951:

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_____ “7” W7JWI H. A. Moore
_____ 4041 N. 18th St.
_____ Phoenix, AZ

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_____ Los Angeles, Calif.

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_____ W6FUU
_____ 3403 Arroyo Seco Av..
_____ Los Angeles, Calif.

- Ending 1: The OCARC is Disbanded.
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- The witness account states, “...Earl Moore moved to L.A., leaving Harry to run the business.”
- However, according to the Radio Amateur Callbooks, Earl doesn’t move to L.A. until fall 1937, at the earliest. This is more than two years after “Moore Bros” and “Radio Den” go out of business. So what can explain the two-year delay in the Radio Amateur Callbooks?
- There are three possibilities:
- 1. Latency due to periodicity
- 2. Bureaucratic latency and “Snail-Mail” of the time
- 3. Social misalignment between the announcement of Earl’s move, and the move itself.
- The latter is the most likely, and the last two both may have played a role in the discrepancy.
- By April of 1935, Moore Bros and Radio Den are closed.

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Orange County Amateur Radio Club

The Orange County Amateur Radio Club was organized in Jan. 15, 1936 with a handful of amateurs. The club has steadily grown and now it is one of the outstanding groups in Southern California with a membership of fifty, thirty-one of which are active. Active membership is confined to those amateurs living in Orange County, but any ham may belong. A recent survey including nineteen stations in the club disclosed that we have a total of 3046 watts of power or an average of 160 watts per station. Out of this group three were 160 meter, eight were 80 meter, fifteen were 40 meter, fourteen were 20 meter and ten were 10 meter. Most of the stations were capable of going on several or all of the bands at will. This is a pretty fair representation in the amateur spectrum. The CW men were about three to one in numbers against the fone men, a fact that proved CW men are better base ball players than fone men at our picnic last year. We have members actively engaged in all phases of amateur activity including traffic men, experimentors, and DX hounds. Speaking of the latter our club seems to be winning the reputation of being very DX minded group. Your reporter is very sorry but this edition will not include a full survey of the DX situation due to the short time available for the composition of this data, but he promises to get the works by next issue. The club meets every two weeks in the YMCA building in Santa Ana, the last meeting being held the twenty sixth of April. A cordial invitation is extended to all those that can get around to one of our FB meetings, and we are pretty sure you will go home full of groceries, inspirations, and an exalted feeling of good will toward fellow ham. The meetings usually start around eight P. M., remarks by NSA to the contrary not with standing.

Club Gossip, Highlight, and Personalities

Our president, Noral Evans, W6LYM has just plunged and procured a couple of the new Gamatrons that has the grid trickling out of the side of the bottle instead of the base as the old 354 used to have. He is very enthusiastic about them and has nothing but praise to offer for the excellent way in which these babies can take it. He, on the other hand, has his ups and downs. It seems that when you drag one of these California Kilowatts out of the power line something has to give and what it gave him was an abundance of good old 50 cycle Qrm in his HRO. Woe is me. The last electric storm that we experienced down this way took a nose dive down one of his Vee beams and tried to make its getaway through the side of his shack, with the consequence that he now has a new black charred effect on the wall about two feet square.

Our Secretary, Roy Compston, W6IBN proves himself to be a very highly deversified personality by the following contribution. His inspiration comes out of one of the least thought of spots that exists in every ham shack.

It is rumored that LXM has taken his second class fone commercial examination and is now waiting to see how he made out. Another good man gone wrong. Plans joining the BCL servers.

Nobody can ever accuse JMA of not being a kind hearted lover of nature. It seems as though a bird has built a nest in his five meter feed line and is very buisy raising a family. So, JMA has not been on five meters for a long time and now spends his time looking through the window at that last egg which hasn't hatched yet. Incidentally if you want to see how a 913 scope should be built up and you should drop in on him and take a look at the excellent job he has done. At the present time The scope is on display in a radio exhibit at the high school where he teaches.

There has apparently been a rush on 35T tubes lately. JMA, MQF, CIG, LPK, BVX, and LQX all have this tube in use or building up around it.

BAM had his station photo printed in a 1933 Argentine magazine called "Revista Telegrafica." And, speaking of pictures, if you want to see a swell collection of station photos from all over the world, you should see BAM's album. It contains over fifty pictures, dating back as far as 1927.

Who has got the oldest unmoved antenna mast? BAM claims that his has not been down for twelve years!

BVX has his station located on the top floor right under a hugh water tank. When it rains his tubes are water cooled, he says. He has a BCL receiver on the operating table and listens to music with one ear while he listens to R9's from Europe in the other.

LDJ, LHN, LVB, MNV, and INV are inseperable and their shacks are eternally being shadowed by weird new sky wires. We wonder where they get their inspirations for all those experimental antennas.

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THE AMATEUR RADIO NEWS

MAY, 1937

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Image Courtesy Marilyn Best
Left to Right: Geraldine, Raymond, Loron, and Norol Evans

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ROOFING



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PAINTS-WALLPAPER

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Santa Ana

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SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY DIRECTORY (1936)

REYNOLDS--Contd

"Harriet Mrs tchr H B Sch h233 1/2 Crest, H B
"Harriette V bkpr r925 N Flower, Santa Ana
"Helen M Mrs r518 S Birch, Santa Ana
"Hugh E (Ruby P) R D 1 Box 162, Orange
"Jack E studt r502 E Stanford, Garden Grove
"Jesse (Bess) R D 1 Box 492, Garden Grove
"John A (Edith C) rnrhr R D 1 Box 613, G G
"John L (Caro) carp h224 E Edinger rd, S A
"John M (Effie M) linemn Tel Co h815 S Parton,
Santa Ana
"John W (Helen M) h417 El Camino del Mar, La-
guna Beach
"Leman D (Emmy F) (Marquis Cafe) h1020 W Chap-
man, Orange
"Marshall A (Abigail S) bkpr h508 Fruit, S A
"Maude L Mrs h362 Locust, Laguna Beach
"Milton J oilwkr R D 1 Box 613, Garden Grove
"Palmer R (Anna E) dentist h720 Bush, S A
"Paul M (Ruby T) firemn City h1321 W 9th, S A
"Ralph B Jr r139 N Waverly, Orange
"Ralph H (Essie B) mech Ehlen & Schubert h139
N Waverly, Orange
"Robt N (Irene Z) emp S A Woolen Mills h1315
Custer, Santa Ana
"Roy J (Grace M) h W Delhi rd R D 2 Box 428, S A
"Thos J (Ella S) R D 1 Box 244, Costa Mesa
"Willard F (Corra L) lawn mower repr 384 S Grand,
Orange
"Wm L (Eliz A) h387 Holly, Laguna Beach
"Wm W (Eliz) gdnr h1429 W 6th, Santa Ana
"Wilson rnrch hd R D 1 Box 613, Garden Grove
Reyness Candido (Epinenia) h Jackson n of 1st
R D 4 Box 642, Santa Ana
Rez Alex (Jessie) oilwkr h825 N Parton, Santa Ana
"Inez M slsldy S H Kress & Co r825 N Parton, S A
"Paul E A studt r825 N Parton, Santa Ana
Reza Albt (Virginia) h909 Brown, Santa Ana
"Edwd car loader r Olive
"Frank lab r 6 1/2 Ocean View, Olive
"Jesus lab r6 1/2 Ocean View, Olive
"Jos foremn Mission Clay Prod Co r504 Main, Olive
"Josephine r6 1/2 Ocean View, Olive
"Lou moulder r Olive
"Nila r6 1/2 Ocean View, Olive
"Petronila (wid Edwd) h6 1/2 Ocean View, Olive
"Rhea Cassie D r6 1/2 Huntington, H B
"Wm W (Olive B) millmn R D 1 Box 3571, Long
Beach
Rheume Geo A (Park Mouth Riding Stables) R D 1
Box 506, Orange
Rhein Sophia A h446 Magnolia, Laguna Beach
Rhinarid Carleton J (Alta G) clk Joe's Grocery h729
Hickory, Santa Ana
"Chas P (Vera E) (Laguna Beach-Santa Ana Stage
Line) h1828 Gleneyre, Laguna Beach
Rhine Jas A (Hazel F) br mgr Hockaday & Phillips
Inc h115 Yorba st (Tustin) R D 1 Box 95, S A
Rhinehart Harry E (Anna E) clk Edison Co h529
Virginia, Santa Ana
Rhines Eugene (G Nevada) auto repr 809 E 4th
h818 E 5th, Santa Ana
"Genevieve H r818 E 5th, Santa Ana
Rhoades Harold E (Pauline) sta opr Union Oil Co
(Pub) h221 E 15th, Santa Ana
Rhoades Darius H (Lillian J) h780 Manzanita dr,
Laguna Beach
"Saml F (Emily M) oilwkr h301 35th, Newport Beach
RHODES, See also Rhoades, Rhoads, Rhodes
"Bertha M Mrs mgr Poinsettia Rooms r260 Ocean av,
Laguna Beach
"Clara L r552 Cress, Laguna Beach
"Elnora S Mrs h552 Cress, Laguna Beach
"Forest O (Rose) h1042 1/2 W 4th, Santa Ana
"Georgia V lady wkr S A Lady r417 E 2d, S A
"John R (Hazel C) acct h810 S Parton, S A
"John W h533 Brooks, Laguna Beach

RHODES--Contd

"Olive r552 Cress, Laguna Beach
"Rose Mrs h241 Euterpe, Laguna Beach
Rhote Thos B (Margt) phys 100 W Chapman h477 N
Center, Orange
Rhotan Elmer H clk Finley Hotel r410 E 4th, S A
Riedl Jack P (Mary J) h290 S Olive, Orange
Rice Allen A (Vivian) farmer h610 E St Gertrude pl,
Santa Ana
"Amelia Mrs r2451 Heliotrope dr, Santa Ana
"Arth A (Lauria C) r1904 Greenleaf, Santa Ana
"Chas E h412 1/2 N Orange, Orange
"Corra E Mrs h1102 1/2 N Sycamore, Santa Ana
"Earl L r412 1/2 N Orange, Orange
"Edith G Mrs slsldy H M Lane r125 34th, Newport
Beach
"Effie J Mrs h824 N Birch, Santa Ana
"Ellwyn A T R D 3 Box 132, Santa Ana
"Fred H (Anna M) (Fred H Rice & Son) h401 S
Flower, Santa Ana
"Fred H & Son (F H and R L) shoes 309 W 4th, S A
"Geo r721 S Bway, Santa Ana
"Gordon L (Edith T) rnrhr R D 3 Box 132, S A
"Harvey M mgr Cox & Rice r17th cor Hughes, Tustin
"Homer (Isabelle) h192 Vine (El Modena) P O Box
115, Olive
"Jas F (Emma) r124b 7th, Huntington Beach
"Jas M (Lizzie) R D 1 Box 256, Huntington Beach
"Jas W (Reubel M) musician R D 1 Box 366 (S A)
P O Box 104, Tustin
"Josephine M Mrs h426 Brooks, Laguna Beach
**RICE JUNK & WRECKING CO (R F Crbaro) Auto
Wrecking and Used Auto Parts, 905 E 2d, Santa
Ana**
"Merrill G rnrch hd R D 3 Box 132, Santa Ana
"Paul T r Barber City R D 1 Box 396, Long Beach
"Russell L (Cath W) (Fred H Rice & Son) h606 S
Van Ness, Santa Ana
"Sophia W Mrs r910 S Main, Santa Ana
"Theo V (Lottie) r230 Beverly, Laguna Beach
"Walter J (Tillie) real est h244 N Glassell, Orange
"Wm A clk V J Borchard r192 Vine st, El Modena
"Wm H (Dora) refrigeration eng h340 N Cambridge,
Orange
RICH, See also Ritch
"John C (Dorothy) mach h212 S Artesia, Santa Ana
"Miriam L Mrs tchr Washn Sch h138 Walnut, G G
"R F (Hattie) R D 3 Box 509a, Santa Ana
Richard Oscar W (Jennie) r1704 1/2 Ocean Front, New-
port Beach
Richards Anna M Mrs h110 W 20th, Santa Ana
"Arch r568 N Lemon, Orange
"Arth E r724 S Main, Santa Ana
"B Frank (Eibel A) h203 S Main, Orange
"Bessie Mrs h1652 W Camille, Santa Ana
"Bros Machine Works (J F B and M S) 929 E
1st, Santa Ana
"Bruce (Lucy M) transfer 144 S Olive, Orange
"Charlotte L signo Bank of America r1652 W Camille,
Santa Ana
"Clara h2417 Oakmont av, Santa Ana
"David M driver r176 S Pine, Orange
"Doyle C R D 4 Box 111, Santa Ana
"Eddie ranch hd r1215 1/2 N Ross, Santa Ana
"Edwd H (Nanette) h2001 S Main, Santa Ana
"Edwd S (Ann) slsmn h1047 W 2d, Santa Ana
"Etheil bkpr Independent Repair Serv r207 N Glassell,
Orange
"Frank A (Corra A) h H B Blvd R D 1 Box 591, H B
"G Newton drtismn r210 W 19th, Santa Ana
"Guy G (Daisy V) real est h210 W 19th, S A
"Harold studt r453 Forest av, Laguna Beach
"Harriet E r176 S Pine, Orange
"Harvey B (Emma B) carp h445 Holly, Laguna
Beach
"Helen A Mrs r608 E 6th, Santa Ana
"Helen S tchr r616 French, Santa Ana

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"Hughes" or "Hewes"?:

The meeting is on January 15th, 1936, at Norol's home on N. Hewes**.

Another question about the current OCARC History is the spelling of N. "Hughes."

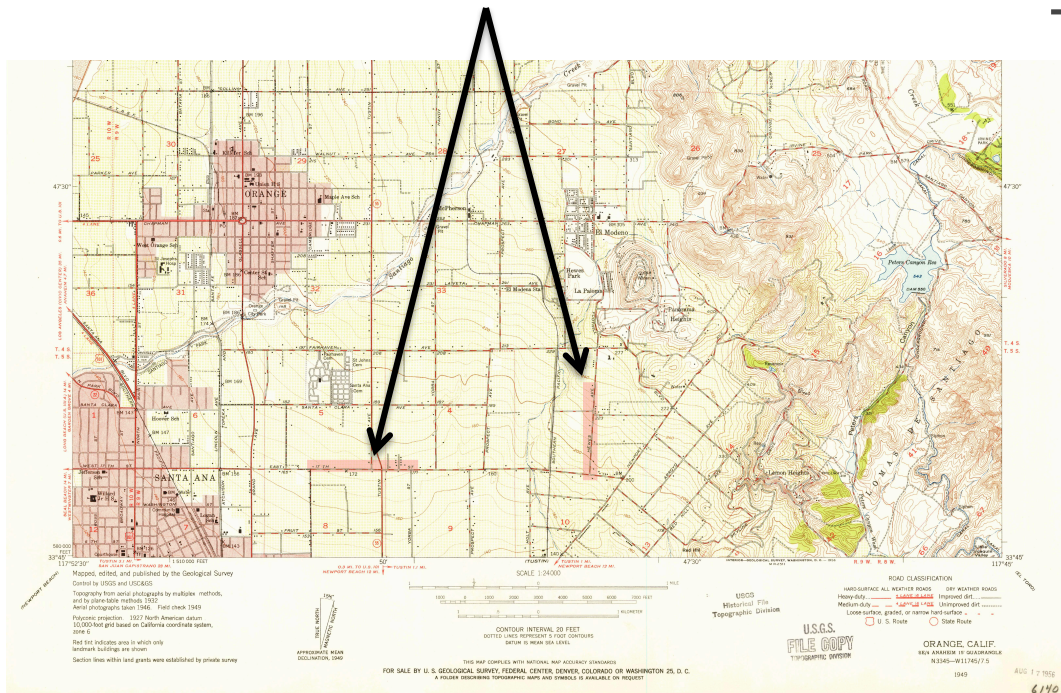
While according to the 1936 Orange County North and South Directory there is a "Hughes" street in Tustin...

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(*Hughes" Street Highlighted)

“Hughes” or “Hewes”?:

... this is a misspelling also. The “Hughes” that intersects 17th St. is the end of “Hewes Ave.” as it terminates in Tustin, south from Orange. There was no “Hughes” in Santa Ana or the City of Orange in 1936.

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There were, however a Hewes Ave., a Hewes Ranch, and a Hewes Hill Rd. in the cities of Orange and Santa Ana in the February 1951 Southern Orange County City Directory, and the December 1945 South Orange County City Directory maps.

BRIDGES, ROADS DAMAGED BY WATER

Resignations Of Supreme Court Justices Rumored

SPECULATION IS AROUSED AT SESSION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—(UP)—The Supreme court today was in session for the first time since the resignation of Justice Brandeis, which was announced last week. The court was expected to hear arguments on the constitutionality of the federal income tax law.

Highway Near Dana Point Damaged by Flood Waters



Here is State Highway Parkway Roadway being washed across a gap that was torn by the water highway when the San Juan river went on a rampage late last night. The damage is near the bridge below Dana Point. Workers in the vicinity were kept busy during the night, mending bridges and high tension poles that had been damaged by the river's heavy rain water.

REPAIR WORK UNDER WAY IN DISTRICT

Towns Are Isolated When Main Highways Swept Away by Water

DOLLAR EVENT ARRANGED HERE

San Juan... The event is expected to draw a large crowd of people to the downtown area.

COURT BATTLE ON AGT OPENS

San Juan... The court case is expected to be a significant one for the state.

Wall Falls On Car As Last Payment Made

Los Angeles... A car was crushed by a falling wall during a payment transaction.

RELIEF FUND TO TOTAL \$10,000

Cincinnati... A relief fund for flood victims has reached a total of \$10,000.

F. D. R. SPEEDS COURT ACTION

Washington... President Roosevelt is expected to take action on the court case.

NEW CROP BILL GIVEN SENATE

Washington... A new crop bill has been passed by the Senate.

Cincinnati Back To Normal Today

Cincinnati... The city is returning to normal after the flood damage.

GREEN FIGHTS UNION DEMAND

Green... The fight against union demands is ongoing.

9 RESCUED WHEN PLANE HITS WAVE

San Juan... A plane crashed into the water, and nine people were rescued.

RADIATOR BOMED TO WED IN JUNE

New York... A radiator was bombed on Wednesday in June.

HOLD ELLIOT ROOT FUNERAL TUESDAY

New York... The funeral for Elliot Root is set for Tuesday.

EIGHT INJURED IN STREET CAR CRASH

Los Angeles... Eight people were injured in a street car crash.

Quozon Arrives In L. A. Feb. 13

Washington... Quozon is expected to arrive in Los Angeles on Feb. 13.

LINDBERGH READY FOR TUNG FLIGHT

Washington... Lindbergh is ready for a flight with Tung.

FUKAI RESIGNS AS HEAD OF BANK

San Juan... Fukai has resigned as head of the bank.

THREATEN STRIKE OF RAIL WORKERS

Montreal... Rail workers are threatening a strike.

San Juan Register

San Juan... Information about the newspaper's operations.

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February 6-8, 1937: A damaging flood strikes Orange County, wiping out highways, bridges, and threatening lives and homes.

For the first time since 1916, the communities of San Juan Capistrano and San Clemente were isolated when sections of main highways were swept away by flood waters from the Trabuco and San Juan rivers.

(Santa Ana Register, Monday, February 8th, 1937.)

SANTA ANA HAM GROUP PRAISED IN U.S. RECORDS

With national attention focused on the service rendered by radio amateurs in the flood emergency, records of the Federal Communications Commission today showed Santa Ana has 39 licensed amateur radio stations.

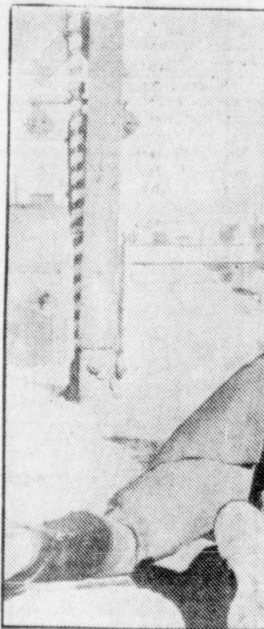
In each case, the owner of the station is himself a licensed amateur operator.

Often called "the last back-log of communications," the radio amateurs form an unusual group. Each station costs hundreds of dollars, on the average, and long hours of study and practice lie back of each operator's license. Yet any amateur will handle, for nothing, messages which would cost a day's pay on a commercial basis; he is prohibited from making any charge for services rendered.

Here is a list of the Santa Ana amateur radio stations, listed by call letters (exclusive of very recently granted licenses.):

W6ALO, Tom Jentges, 821 N. Olive St.; W6AVR, Cecil F. Yates, R. 1, Box 363; W6BAM, Shelley Trotter, R. 1, Box 490; W6BVX, John O. Trotter, R. 1, Box 490; W6CIG, Burton O. Baird, 316 W. Santa Clara St.; W6CNK, E. W. Heffner, 715 Lacy St.; W6DC, John W. Hancock, 831 S. Main; W6EEK, Rodney Engel, 912 E. Santa Clara Ave.; W6FGY, Lieut. Leonard E. Echols, Hdq. Co., 3rd Bn., 185th Inf. C. N. G.; W6FCT, A. R. Van Compernelle, 618-A N. Baker St.; W6HAA, Harold B. Smith, 1201 S. Flower St.; W6HDF, R. P. McGaughey, 925 S. Garnsey St.; W6IBN, Roy A. Cumpston, 1406 S. Garnsey; W6IMH, Norman H. Caldwell, 1315 Louise St.; W6INV, Charles G. Blanchard, 1108 French St.; W6JMA, C. N. Hicks, 1119 N. Lowell St.; W6JQB, Albert F. Hill, Jr., 826 E. Sixth St.; W6JZD, R. M. Kanegae, R. 4, Box 556; W6KQD, Donald D. Randall, 915 E. Washington St.; W6LBU, Ray R. Yakura, RFD 5; W6LDJ, Thompson McNeal, 1074 W. Fifth St.; W6LHN, Tom Hudspeth, 910 S. Birch St.; W6LNE, Gordon R.

Guards Train



These two young gunners of 1 in Flint and waited for one hostilities. Steel hats and side rounding

Mills, 1115 W. Chestnut St.; W6LQX, John R. Schick, 1524 W. Sixth St.; W6LSV, Leonard G. D. Thompson, 514 E. Washington St.; W6LVB, Kenneth H. Langenbeck, 1306 S. Van Ness; W6MNP, Cecil V. Hamilton, 1049 W. Camille; W6MNV, Robert E. Horseman, 2009 Greenleaf; W6MQF, Earle F. Kent, 1106 S. Ross St.; W6MQL, W. K. Howard, 912 N. Main St.; W6QG, Raymond H. Bloomer, 1117 W. Third st.

In the United States as a whole, 47,500 amateur radio stations are licensed. Of these, approximately 5,900 are in California, according to the communications commission.

Government scientists place little faith in the report that radioactive ore near the Burbank airport in California, deflects radio beams and thus throws pilots from their course.

Wed, Feb 10, 1937: "Santa Ana Ham Group Praised in U.S. Records" (pdf)

- Tom Jentges **W6ALO** [W6BXI] 821 N. Olive St. (paid dues)(secretary)
- Cecil F. Yates **W6AVR** R. 1 Box 363
- Shelley Trotter **W6BAM** R. 1 Box 430 (paid dues)
- Buton O. Baird **W6CIG** 316 W. Santa Clara St.
- E. W. Heffner **W6CNK** 715 Lacy St.
- John W. Hancock **W6DC** 831 S. Main
- Rodney Engel **W6EEK** 912 E. Santa Clara Ave.
- Lieut. Leonard E. Echols **W6FGY** Hdq. Co. 3rd Bn. 185th Inf. C. N. G.
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- Norman H. Caldwell **W6IMH** 1315 Louise St.
- Charles G. Blanchard **W6INV** 1108 French St.
- C. N. Hicks **W6JMA** 1119 N. Lowell St.
- Albert F. Hill Jr. **W6JQB** 826 E. Sixth St.
- R. M. Kanegae **W6JZD** R. 4 Box 556
- Donald D. Randall **W6KQD** 915 E. Washington St.
- Ray R. Yakura **W6LBU** RFD 5
- Thompson McNeal **W6LDJ** {W6IDJ} 1074 W. Fifth St. (listed as member 1939)
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- Robert E. Horseman **W6MNV** 2003 Greenleaf
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- W. K. Howard **W6MQL** 912 N. Main St.
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Santa Ana Hams numbering 30 are praised nationally for their service in the 1936-1937 floods, including 14 present and future OCARC Members. Each ham radio operator was commended by name.

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RESIDENTS OF COUNTY DIG OUT, AS BEA'S FLOOD TOLL REACHES 58

Red Cross To Aid Victims Of Disaster

RAISE FUNDS FOR COUNTY RELIEF WORK

Possibility Of New Flood Threat Seen



Here's That New Park In Anaheim

Approved for building and clearing for flood victims in Orange County...

FORECAST LOS ANGELES AND VICINITY... Possibility of new flood threat seen...

The photo taken by Earl Dwygner of Fullerton was taken late yesterday afternoon and shows the damage done by the flood water to the new park in East Los Angeles triangle...

LOOTERS RAID HOMES OF STORM BATTERED REFUGEES IN ANAHEIM, ATWOOD AREAS

Northern Orange county started yesterday to dig out from under a sea of mud that smothered into homes and business houses Thursday morning when the worst flood in the county's history struck...

FEAR EPIDEMIC IN FLOOD AREA

Anaheim was closed to outside traffic and mail and today, after water was raised by Chief of Police...

HEALTH VITAL AREA PROBLEM

Although protection of water supply remained the first concern of Orange County health authorities...

EXTRA SESSION STARTS MONDAY

SACRAMENTO, Cal., March 5.—California's legislative body...

Tragedy of Flood



Old Timer Recalls Flood Of '84; Rained 32 Inches

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BY EDDIE WEST The flood to stop all floods in Orange county was the Big Wash of 1884...

30 KILLED IN S. BERNARDINO

SAN BERNARDINO, Cal., March 5.—The flood sweep dog the state after several days...

BIG BEAR DAM RUMOR FALSE

Residents of Anaheim and other cities in the path of the flood that threatened Orange County...

Orange County Counts Its Dead

Twenty-five bodies of men were added to this Orange county's list of the dead—victims of the worst flood in the history of the Southland...

PERSHING REPORTED GREATLY IMPROVED

SACRAMENTO, Cal., March 5.—(AP)—The report of Pershing's condition...

Santa Ana Race Results

W. H. Barrett's Seven and eight-year-old daughter...

SEEK SOLUTION IN FARM LABOR STRIFE

SACRAMENTO, Cal., March 5.—(AP)—Solutions of labor problems which brought the labor problem...

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Twenty-five bodies of men were added to this Orange county's list of the dead—victims of the worst flood in the history of the Southland...

A series of heavy rainstorms in the coastal area, extending from San Diego on the south to San Luis Obispo on the north and inland to parts of the Mojave desert, produced extreme floods. These floods, which appear to have been the greatest within the last 70 years, left 119 people dead and 2,000 homeless. It flowed as fast as 100,000 cubic feet per second, and caused damage estimated at \$78,602,000.

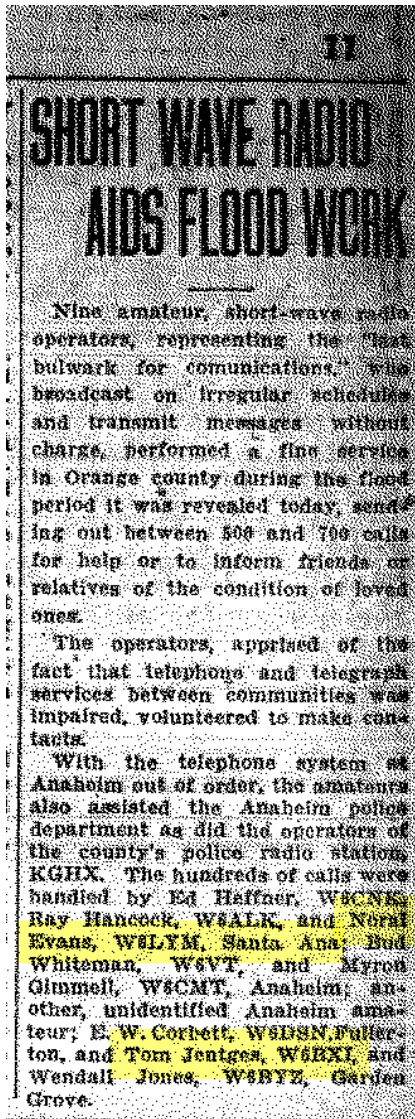


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Fri, Mar 4, 1938, p11, "Short Wave Radio Aids Flood Work":

- KGHX
- Ed Heffner W6CNK
- Ray Hancock W6ALK
- **Norol Evans W6LYM** Santa Ana
- Bud Whiteman W6VT
- Myron Gimmell W6CMT Anaheim
- E.W. Corbett W6DSN Fullerton
- **Tom Jentges W6BXI** (paid dues) (secretary)
- Wendall Jones W6BYZ Garden Grove

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Nine Amateur Radio Short Wave Operators handle messages, including those for the Anaheim Police Department.

With the telephones down, between 500 and 700 messages are handled.

NAVAL RADIO WORK PRAISED

Commendation of the United States Naval Communications Reserve and amateur operators working in cooperation with that organization on flood work, was given today by Sheriff Logan Jackson, in a letter directed to the Commandant of the 11th Naval District, San Diego.

"This office desires to express its appreciation for the splendid assistance rendered police communications by the Reserve and the amateur operators," the letter said.

"During the period that telephone communication was disrupted between cities in this area, urgent official traffic was handled by the reserve organization's radio circuits, not only between cities in Orange county but to the isolated Riverside-San Bernardino area with which no other means of communication was left."

The Reserve was under command of Lieut. (jg) C. W. Jones.

Those deserving credit, the sheriff said, includes Jones; Edward Heffner, KGHX; Paul T. Moses, KGHX; W. E. (Bud) Whiteman, chief operator, KGHX; Myron J. Gemmill, KGHX; Norval Evans, Ensign Ray Hancock, Lieut. R. A. Wood, T. W. Jentges, W. P. Corbett, M. J. Fickas and Lieut. (jg) C. M. Lindsley (Riverside).

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•Sat, Mar 12, 1938, p3 "Naval Radio Work Praised":

- Lieut. (jg) C.W. Jones
- Edward Heffner KGHX
- Paul T. Moses** KGHX [W6MAT] (paid dues)
- W.E. "Bud" Whiteman chief operator KGHX
- Myron J. Gemmill KGHX
- [Norol] Evans** (president 1936)
- Ensign Ray Hancock
- Lieut. R.A. Wood** ["Ray" W6HQX]
- T.W. Gentges** ["Tom Jentges" W6ALO W6BXI]
- W.P. Corbett
- M.J. Fickas
- Lieut. (jg) C.M. Lindsley [Riverside]

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The OCARC provides the only means of communication during the disaster.

The OCARC operates in cooperation with the Naval Reserve.

WEATHER
Continued on inside and
Thursday 5.4 to 11.7 (night),
Monday 4.8 to 11.7 (night),
Tuesday 4.8 to 11.7 (night),
Wednesday 4.8 to 11.7 (night),
Thursday 4.8 to 11.7 (night),
Friday 4.8 to 11.7 (night),
Saturday 4.8 to 11.7 (night),
Sunday 4.8 to 11.7 (night).

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CALIFORNIA'S MOST CONSISTENT NEWSPAPER

THREE CENTS

ONE KNOWN DEAD, SCORES HURT AS TERRIFIC STORM HITS COUNTY

Fear 45 Dead In Southland Storm

100 FEARED LOST AT SEA

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 25.—From 100 to 150 persons are feared to have been lost at sea in a terrific storm which hit the Southland coast today. The storm, which followed the night hours, was the most severe since the 1917-18 season, when 100 persons were reported to have been lost at sea. The storm, which followed the night hours, was the most severe since the 1917-18 season, when 100 persons were reported to have been lost at sea.



Raging Seas Claim Palatial Yacht In Newport Harbor Storm

The storm, which followed the night hours, was the most severe since the 1917-18 season, when 100 persons were reported to have been lost at sea.

FOR REJECTS FORCE IN EMBARGO BATTLE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—The White House said today that it would not support a bill to force the United States to join the League of Nations. The bill, which would force the United States to join the League of Nations, was introduced in the House of Representatives today. The White House said that it would not support the bill because it would force the United States to join the League of Nations.

Airport Hangar Wrecked By Storm



Airport Hangar Wrecked By Storm

Swedish, French Ships Torpedoed

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 25.—The Swedish government today announced that a Swedish ship, the *Ulfina*, had been torpedoed in the Baltic Sea. The ship was carrying a large amount of cargo and was bound for Sweden. The Swedish government also announced that a French ship, the *Le Comte de Paris*, had been torpedoed in the same area. The ship was carrying a large amount of cargo and was bound for France.

3 REGISTERED?

Three persons were registered at the Newport Harbor Yacht Club today. The persons were registered as members of the club. The Newport Harbor Yacht Club is one of the largest and most active yacht clubs in the United States.

Eye Witness Tells Of Rescues At Beach City

SEEK 24 LOST WHEN WAVES WRECK SHIP
An eye witness report today described the rescue of a man and a woman who were rescued from a wrecked ship at Beach City. The man and woman were rescued from the ship after it was wrecked by a storm. The man and woman were rescued from the ship after it was wrecked by a storm.

THUMBDEX

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Hero Of Newport Rescue Tells Of Battle To Save Victims Of Wreck

NEWPORT, Sept. 25.—A man who was instrumental in the rescue of a man and a woman from a wrecked ship at Newport today told of the battle to save the victims of the wreck. The man said that the battle was a long and difficult one, but that he was determined to save the victims of the wreck.

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Mrs. Dorothy Stalling, 25, of 127 North Palm, Burbank, was the lone victim of the sea, drowning when the yacht *Le Comte de Paris*, a 55-foot cutter, captured in the channel, seven others aboard were rescued, five of them requiring hospitalization. A second fatality occurred at 11 a. m. today when Charles F. P. Jones, 45, of 1111 North Main, Newport Beach, was critically injured by a 100-foot wave. The recovery is pronounced.

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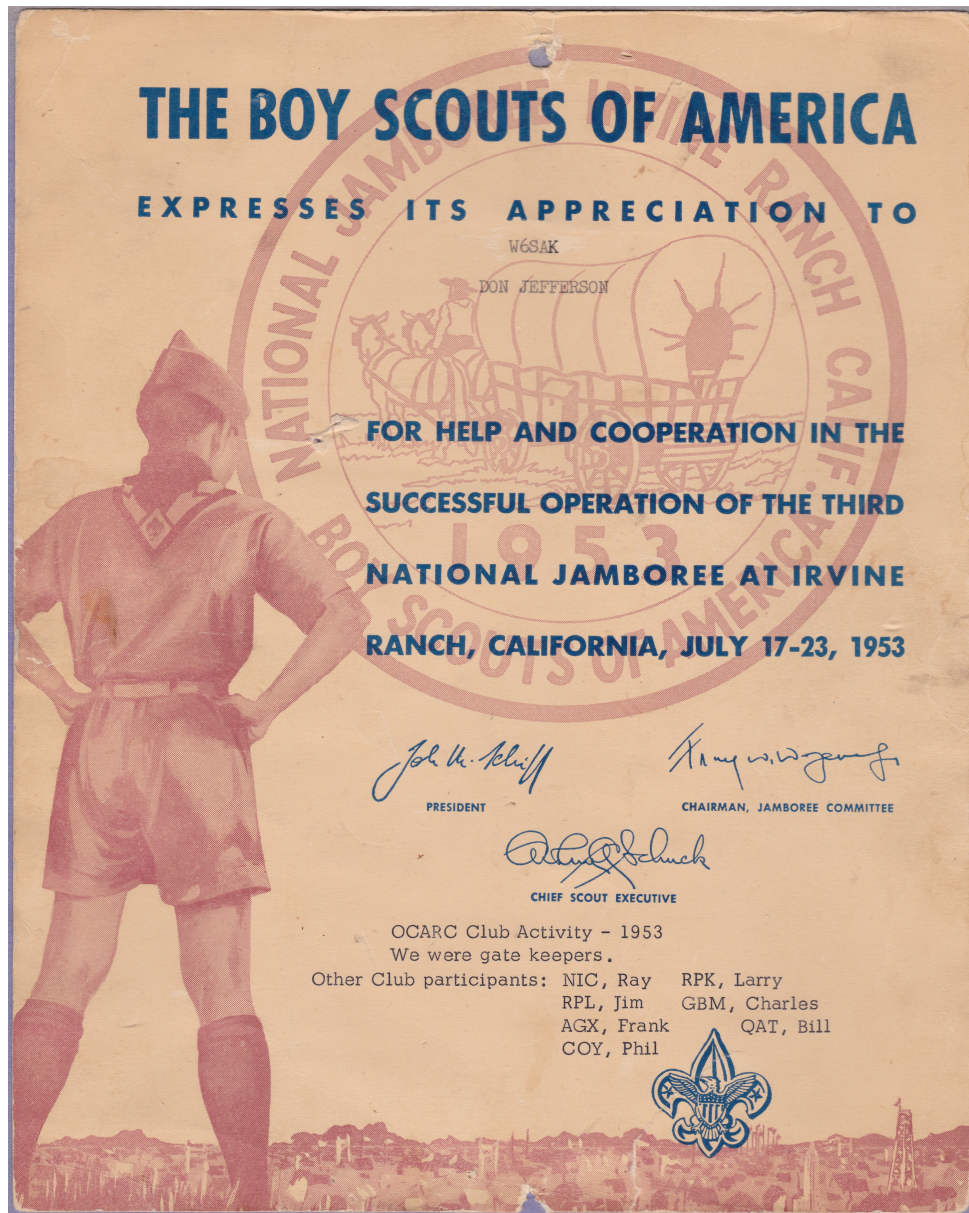
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Just nine days later, on the night of September 24-25, 1939, the most devastating flood in Long Beach history strikes the coast.

The sudden storm drops 5.35 inches of rain on Long Beach and L.A. in 24 hours.



Roy R. Maxson W6DEY

**Chronology Continued
Ending 2: Suspended**

- 1942: World War II

Post-War Club, Beginning 3:

- 1945:

Roy Maxson W6DEY is elected president.

- July 17-23rd, 1953:

OCARC are gate keepers for the **Third National Jamboree** at Irvine Ranch, CA.

Ending 3: 1953, Activities Slow

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Discovery of “The Orange County Radio Club”

On Saturday, May 5th, 2018, I found a link to the OCARC History in the Radio Amateur Callbook (as on archive.org):

- From Fall 1954 to Spring 1959, the following is listed:
- Orange County Radio Club, K6DKF, 12502 "Placincia," Orange.

The following document in the Archives links the Orange County Radio Club to the Orange County Amateur Radio Club:

- OCARC Timeline record:

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Type of Event: Misc

Date Begin: Feb 9, 1959

Date End: Feb 10, 1963

Description: License: W6ZE formerly K6DKF

Location: Trustee: Roy W. Morriss
207 Oak Street, Santa Ana, CA

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Item Type: Document

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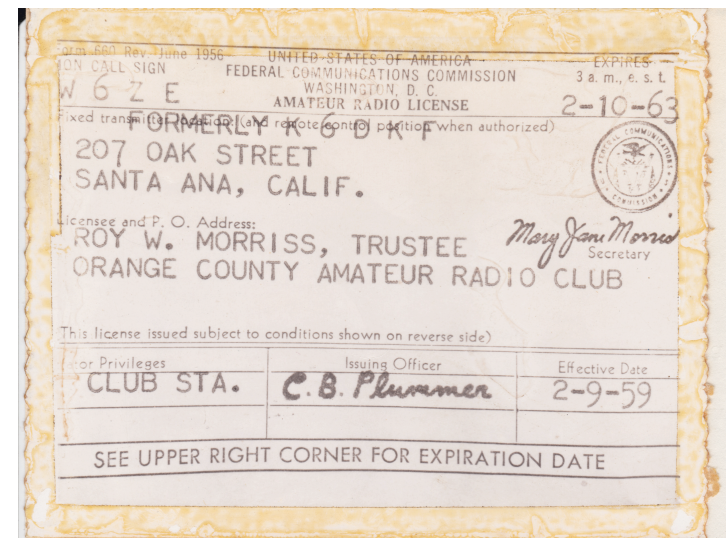
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(Scan of Club License)

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- In confirmation of this link, I have further discovered, from the IXN History, that the Orange County Radio Club, K6DKF, 12502 "Placincia," Orange, (which is now The City Drive South) is the address of *the Orange County Communication Center, in Orange, called the "Dog Patch."* It was used for meetings by the OCRC, as well as a separate OC Civil Defense group.

Chronology Continued

The Two Clubs, Beginning 4: “The Dog Patch”

- November 27th, 1953:

“Orange County Radio Club” K6DKF, first record in RF.

Beginning 5: the last beginning

- October 22nd, 1958:

Ken Kessel W6BVI as president.

The W6ZE Club, Ending 4: Relicensing

- February 9th, 1959:

The Orange County Radio Club ends, and

The Orange County Amateur Radio Club is granted the call letters “W6ZE,” silent key Earl Griffin’s call sign, at Ted Glick K6LJA’s urging. Roy Maxson W6DEY was instrumental in getting this. Roy Morriss K6IQ announces that he is first custodian of the call on February 18th, 1959.

- Spring 1959 Radio Amateur Callbook: Last record of “The Orange County Radio Club”

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OCRC at “The Dog Patch” 1957

Chronology Continued

•August 4th, 1960:

The OCARC is incorporated.

Lawyer Bob Neeland helps Ted Glick K6LJA and other members incorporate the Club.

•1963:

Roy Maxson W6DEY begins proceedings to get Orange its own ARRL Section.

•March 1st, 1965:

Orange Section forms, distinguishing it from the San Diego Section, thanks to the hard work of Club member Roy Maxson W6DEY and others. Roy Maxson is the first Orange Section Manager (SCM).

•Sunday, March 3rd, 1968:

OCARC President Dave Hollander W6COJ, other members and hams provide communications for the Heart Fund Drive. The OPs are awarded a plaque.

•1980:

Alex W6RE and others provide communications for the Red Cross during **O'Neill Park** fire operations.

•1981:

The club decides to sponsor an "Explorer Post," and Lloyd Harwood WB6ULU is appointed the ARES liaison to Flotilla 24, of the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary.

•1985:

Ralph "Alex" Alexander W6RE, Ted Glick K6LJA, and Bob Evans WB6IXN are involved in handling health and welfare traffic for the nuns in St. Francis Home, Santa Ana, after the **Mexico City 8.2 magnitude earthquake**.

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Ted Glick K6LJA

Chronology Continued

•September 9th, 1987:

Santiago Canyon Fire

An arsonist set a fire in Santiago Canyon in the Santa Ana Mountains. Our own Ralph Alexander W6RE coordinated the Red Cross communications effort, which began at 6:00pm that night. Hams numbering 39, 6 with the OCARC including Ken Konechy W6HHC, handled communications for family messaging with the 1,100 firefighters, as well as many practical, supply needs, and personnel deployment messages until Monday, September 14th 10:00pm.

•1992:

Earthquakes

April 22nd:

A 6.1 magnitude earthquake struck very near the OCARC April 24th, 25th, and 26th “Camp-In” site at Indian Cove Campground in Joshua Tree National Monument.

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Earthquakes

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During the June 27th and 28th Field Day, the Landers 7.4 and Big Bear 6.5 magnitude earthquakes struck.

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Damage to Highway 274
Image from CalTech Southern California
Earthquake Data Center



Earthquake rupture along highway 247
(Old Woman Springs Rd)

<https://www.usgs.gov/programs/earthquake-hazards/science/m73-june-28-1992-landers-earthquake#multimedia>

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Damage to the Yucca Lanes Bowling Center

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Parkfield sound of Landers
1992 Earthquake

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•September 2-3, 1997:
Elmer “Tom” Thomas WA6PFA
provides Amateur TV services to
the Orange Police Department
EOC during the **Orange fire.**

And the rest, is history...

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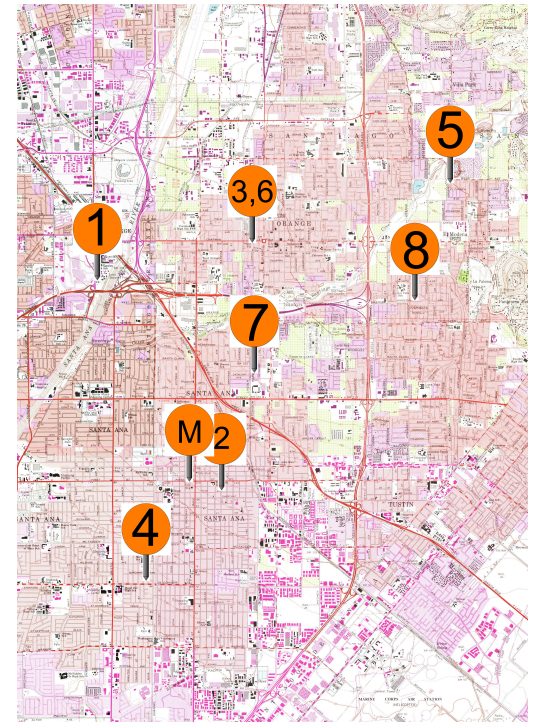
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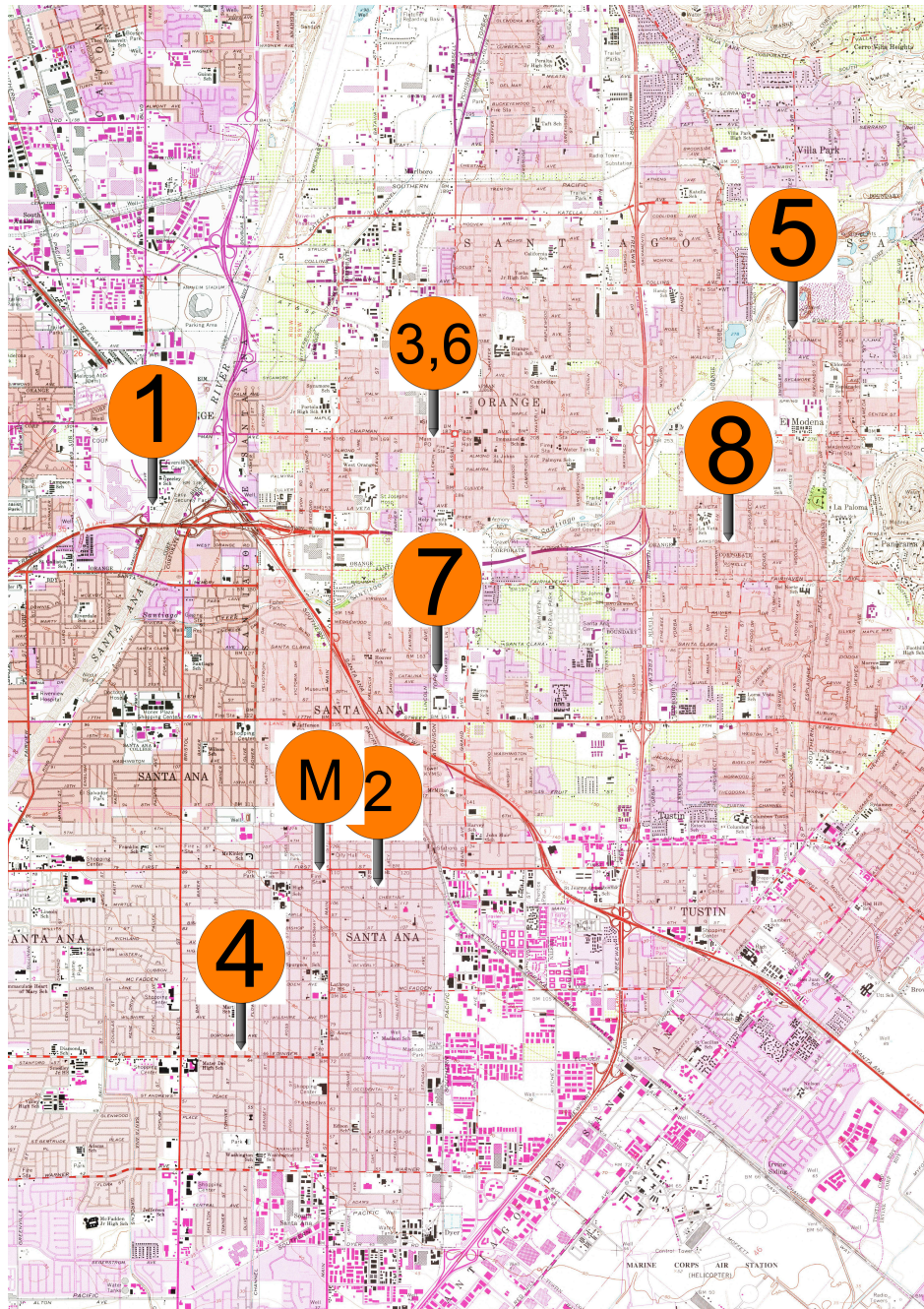
History of OCARC/OCRC Addresses

- On Sunday, April 8th, 2018, I was doing an internet search for club member John Angel at "205 Oak St.," to verify his information in the Historical Roster, and while on Archive.org, I was searching for his address on "Oak St." While there is no "205 Oak St." in Santa Ana, there was a "207 Oak St." It came up with our club QTH in the Radio Amateur Callbook from the early 60's. This is what was found:
- In the Orange County Business Directory, January 1933 (radio store), May 1934, and April 1935 (at the earliest): 207 Oak, was the location of "Hall F C" radio service and repairing.
- In the OCARC Archives, and the Radio Amateur Callbook: February 9th, 1959 to Fall 1961: 207 Oak, Santa Ana, was the location of the OCARC and OCRC.
- In the Orange County Directory 1933-1963:
207 Oak, Santa Ana:
Between E. Walnut and E. Pine:
 - Jan. 1933: 207 Oak; (radio store)
 - Jan. 30, 1933: 207 Oak; "Hall F C" radio service and repairing
 - May 1934: 207 Oak; "Hall F C" radio service and repairing
 - Apr. 1935: 207 Oak; "Hall F C" radio service and repairing
 - 1956: 207 Oak; Electronic Sup Corp
 - Nov 1958: 207 Oak; Cash-Carry Electronics
 - Nov 1959: 207 Oak; Santa Ana Electronics
 - Feb. 9, 1959-Fall 1961: 207 Oak; QTH of OCARC in R.A. Callbook
 - 1960: 832 E. 4th St: Santa Ana Electronics; (owner): John F. Angel, (XYL) Lorene; 5371 S. Bridgeview, Pico Rivera
 - May 1962: 207 Oak; Vacant
 - 1963: 207 Oak; Vacant
- Club Member, John F. Angel was the owner of Santa Ana Electronics, which started on 207 Oak St. in November 1959, the QTH of the OCARC in the Radio Amateur Callbooks and the Club Archives at this time.

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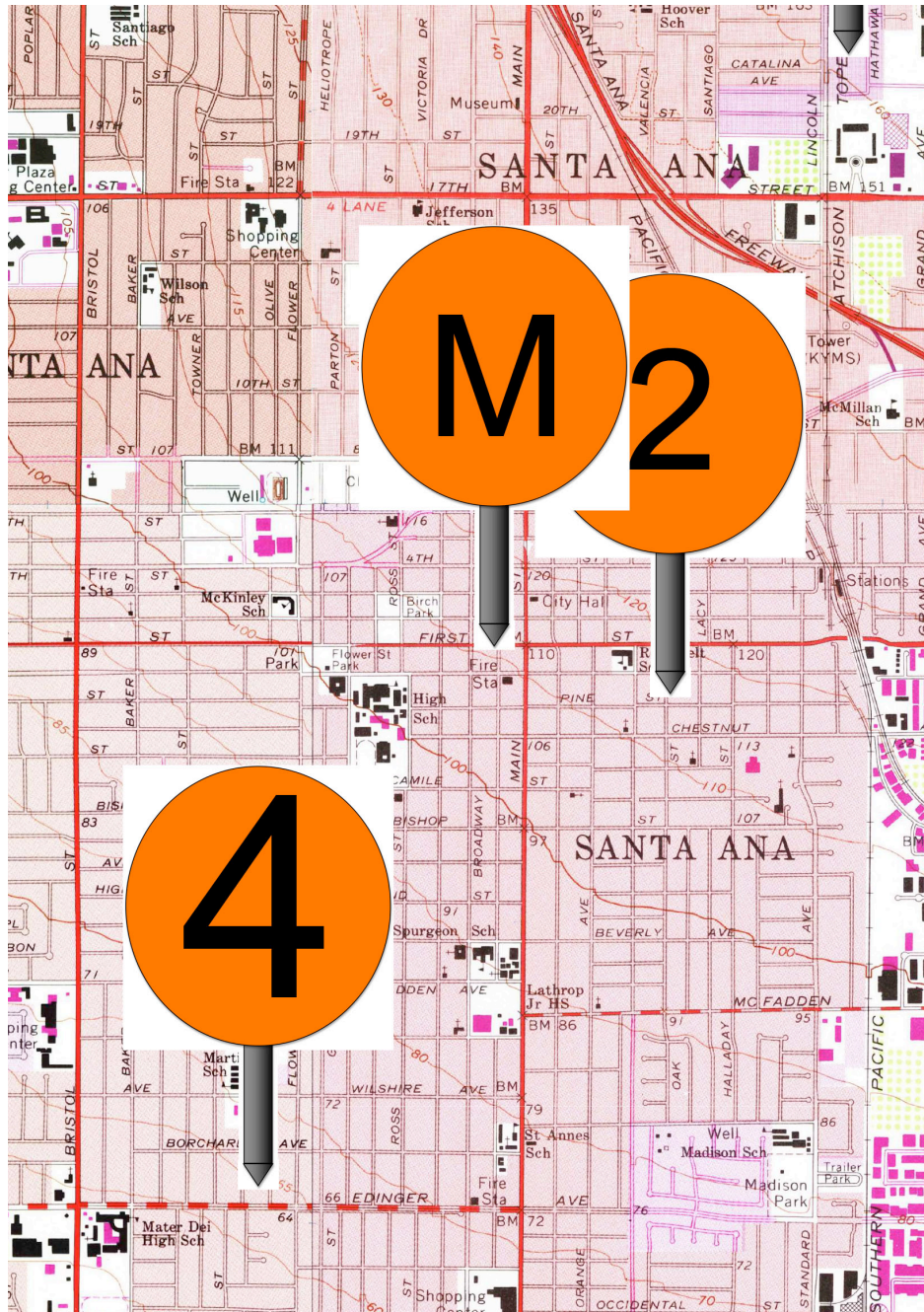


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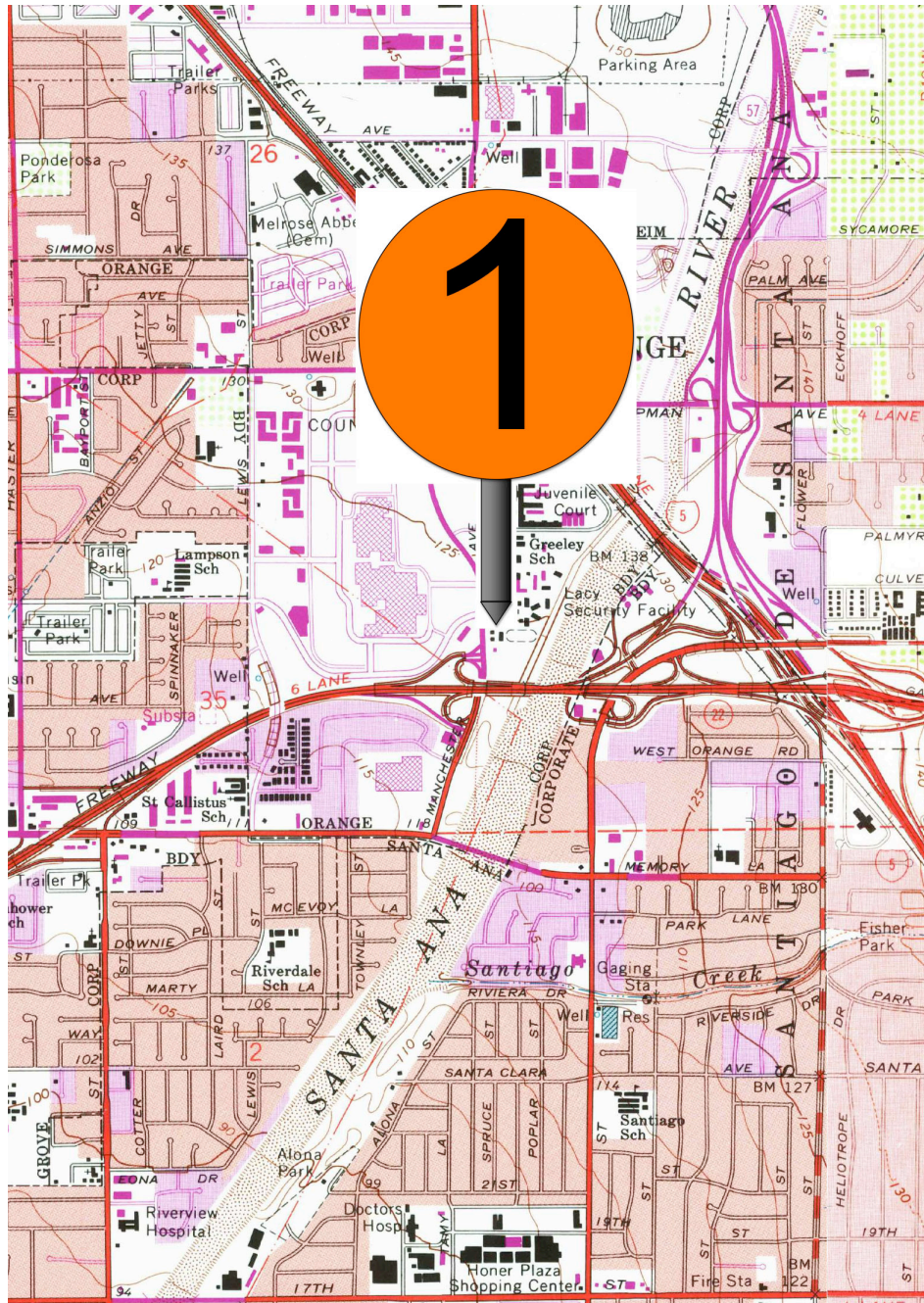
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Beginning with:

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at**

**-206 West First Street in
Santa Ana.**

-From 1933 to May 1934.



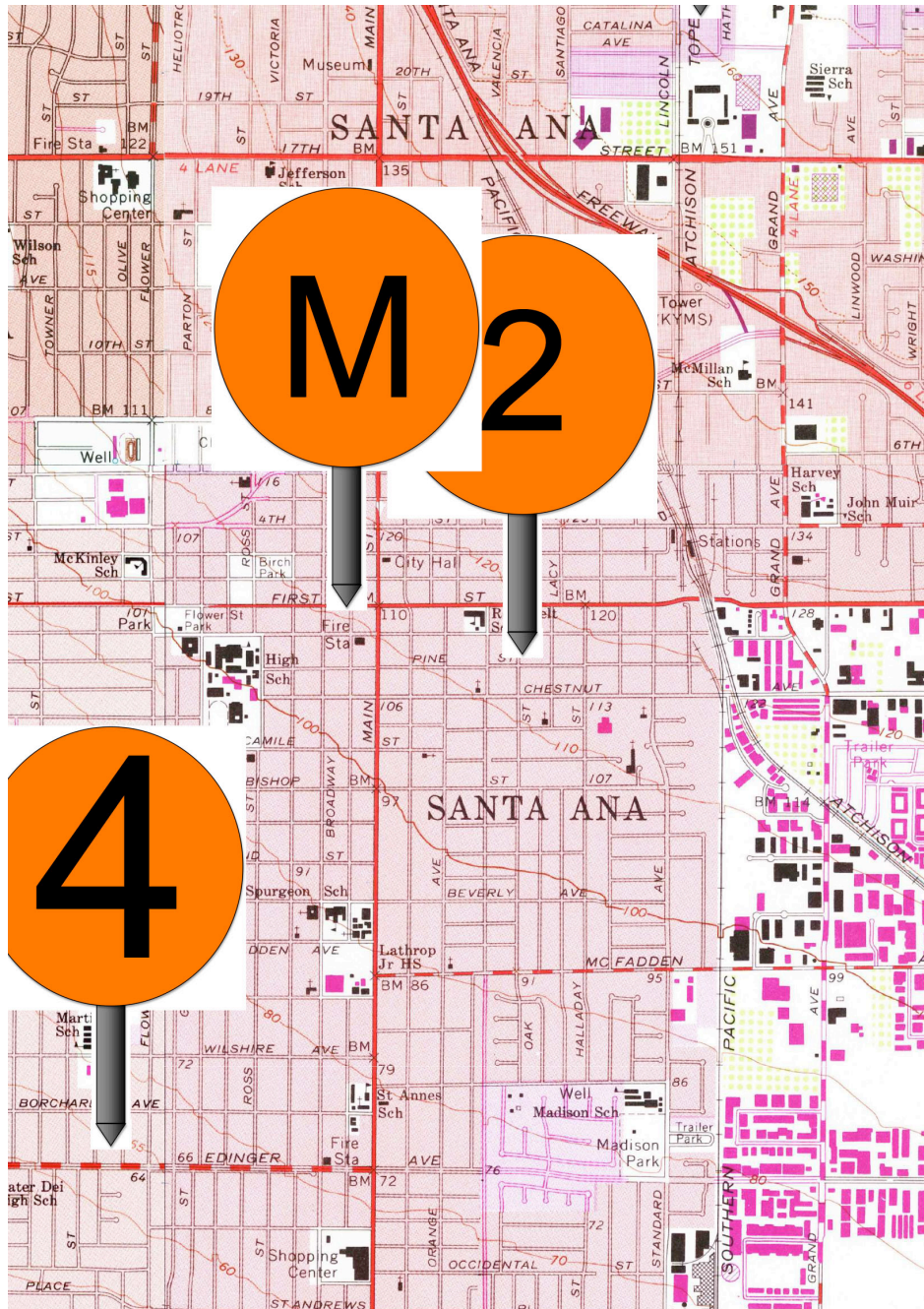
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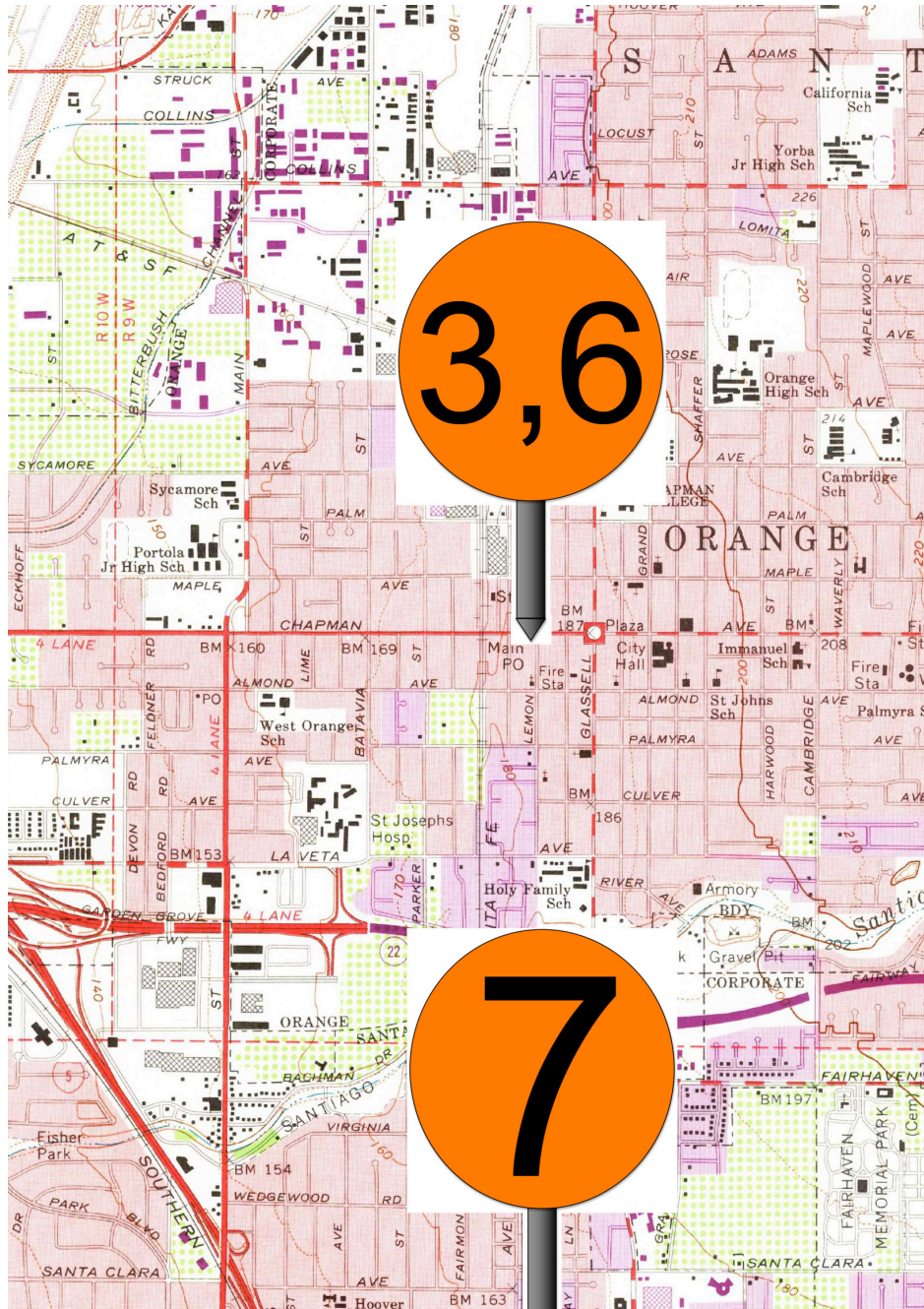
**- 12502 Placentia in Orange,
CA, (now The City Drive
South).**

**- First record November
27th, 1953, to February
8th, 1959.**



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2•Trustee Home Address: Our second official address was after we changed back to “OCARC” in Nov 1954 RF; the address registered by W6ZE Trustee: Roy W. Morriss K6IQ, was
-207 Oak Street, Santa Ana, CA, the location of Santa Ana Electronics in 1959
-That was from February 9th, 1959, to the fall of 1961.



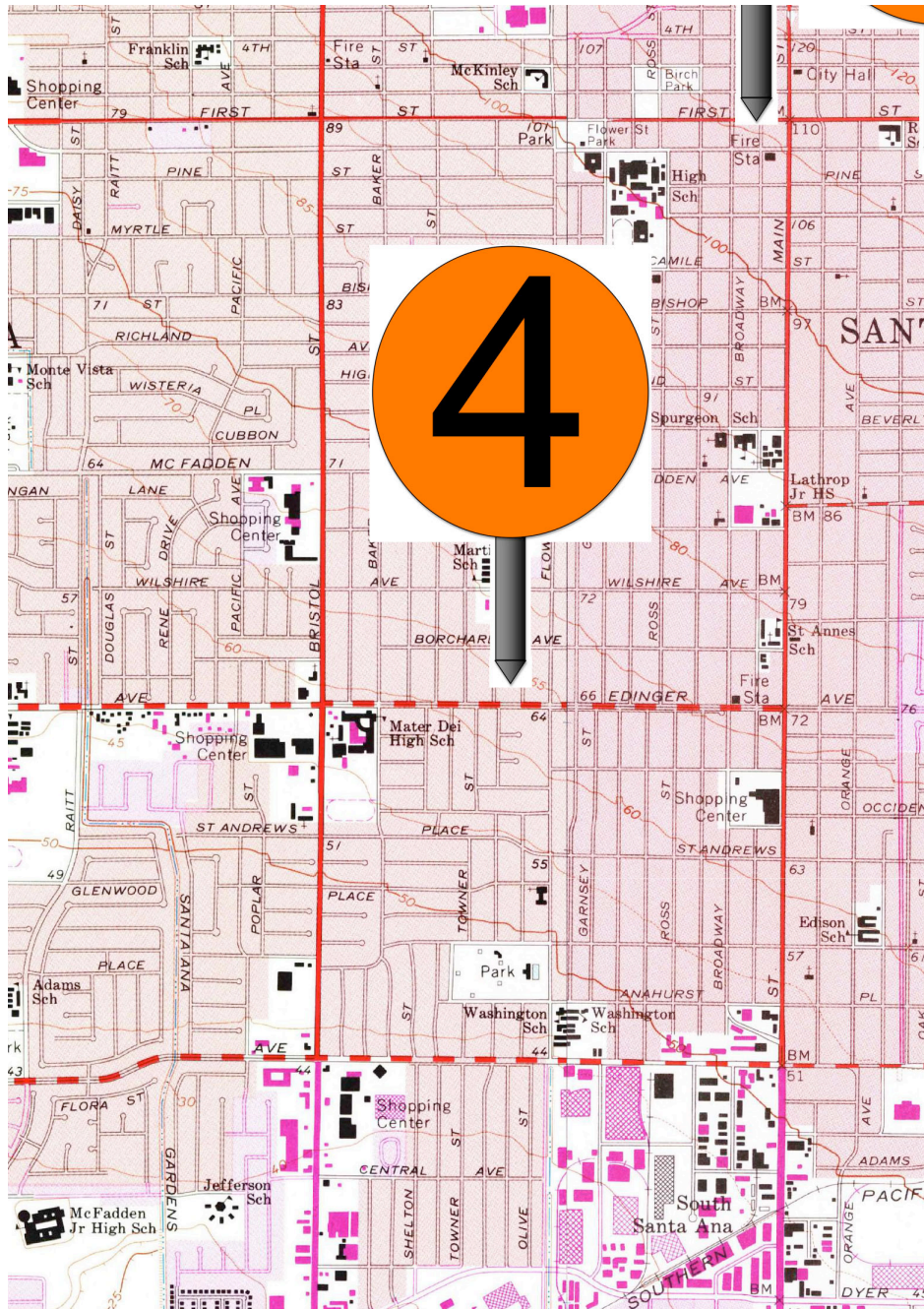
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3•Mailing Address:

**-PO BOX 95, Orange, CA
(located on West
Chapman):**

**-Fall 1962 to February 10th,
1963.**



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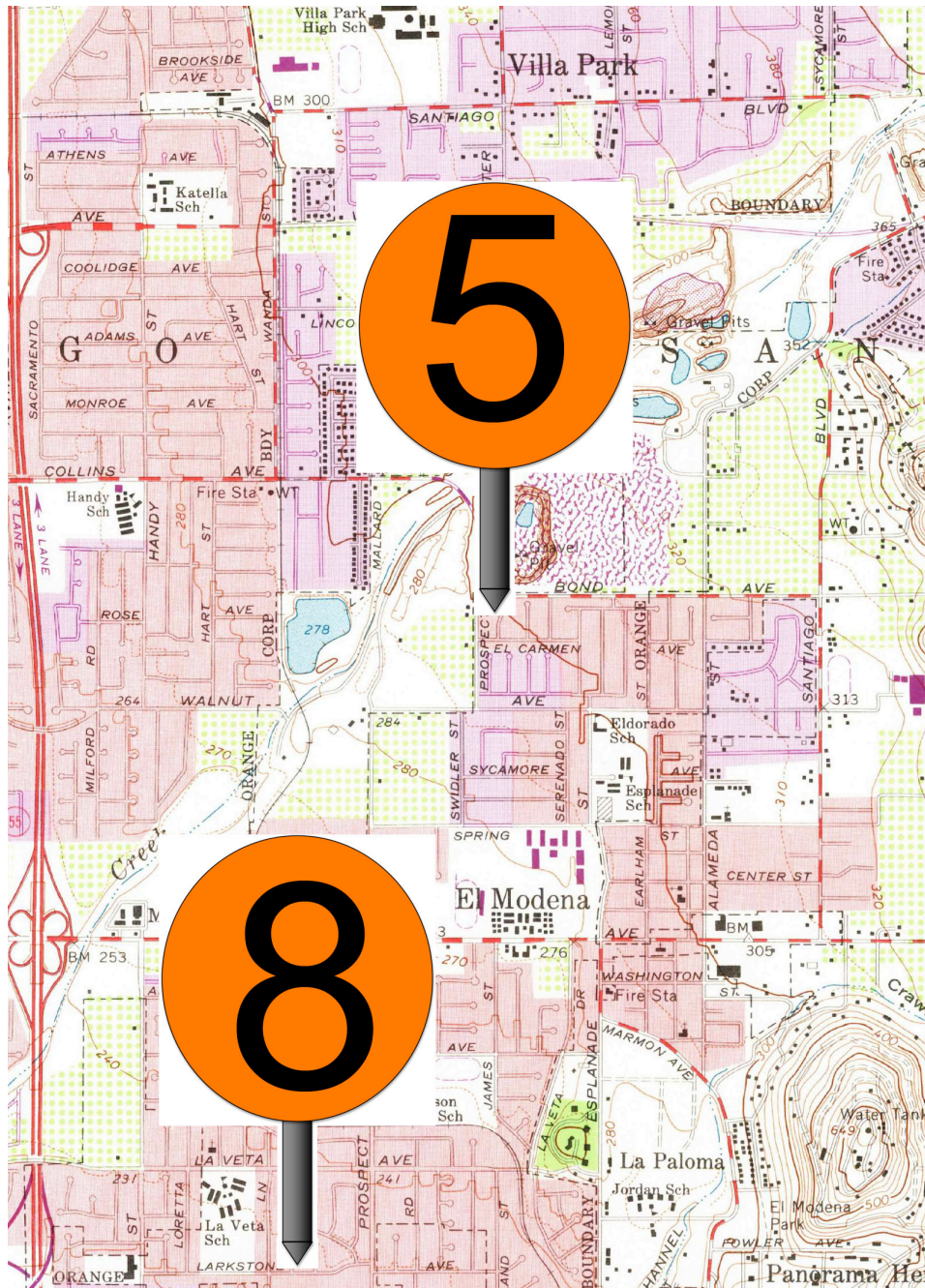
**In the Radio Amateur
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4• Trustee Home

**Address: Roy R.
Maxson W6DEY**

**-1434 S. Olive, Santa
Ana, CA,**

**-From the summer of
1963 to the spring of
1968.**



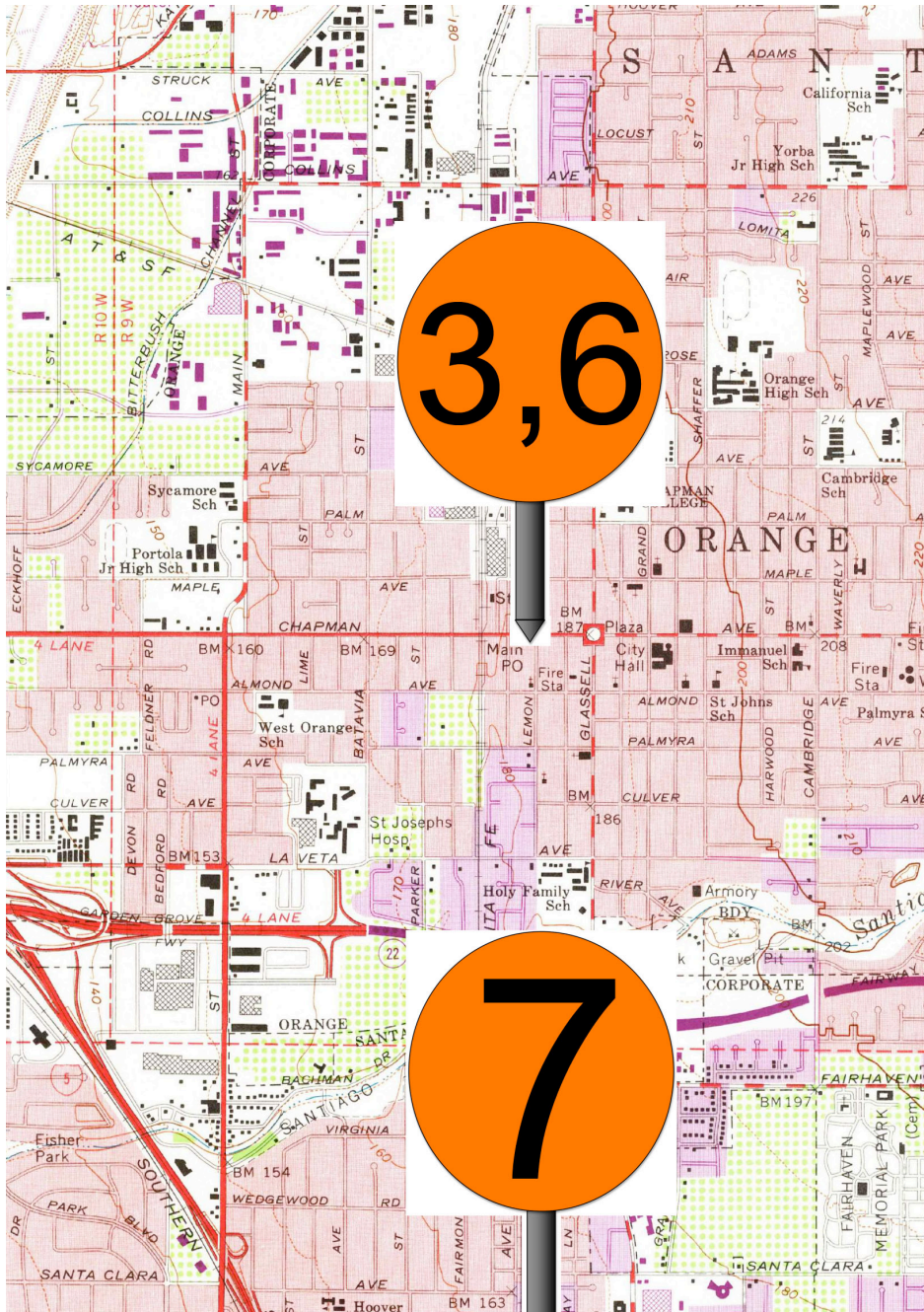
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**In the Radio Amateur
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**5 • Trustee Home Address:
Jack E. Shaw W6YWN**

**-676 N. James St., Orange,
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**-During the summer and
winter of 1968.**



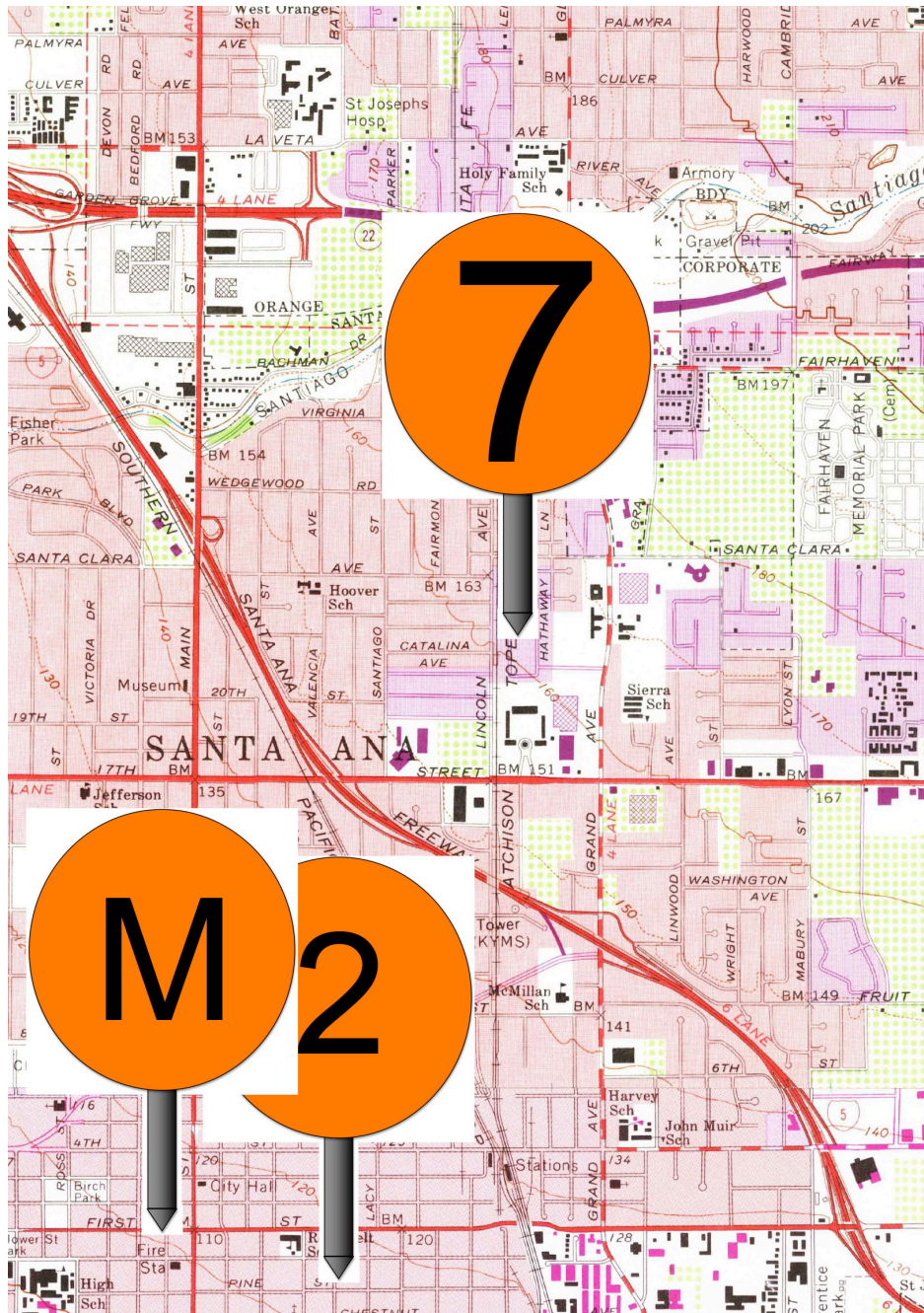
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**6• Trustee Mailing Address:
Alex Alexander W6WRE**

**- PO BOX 95, Orange, CA
92668 (back to West
Chapman):**

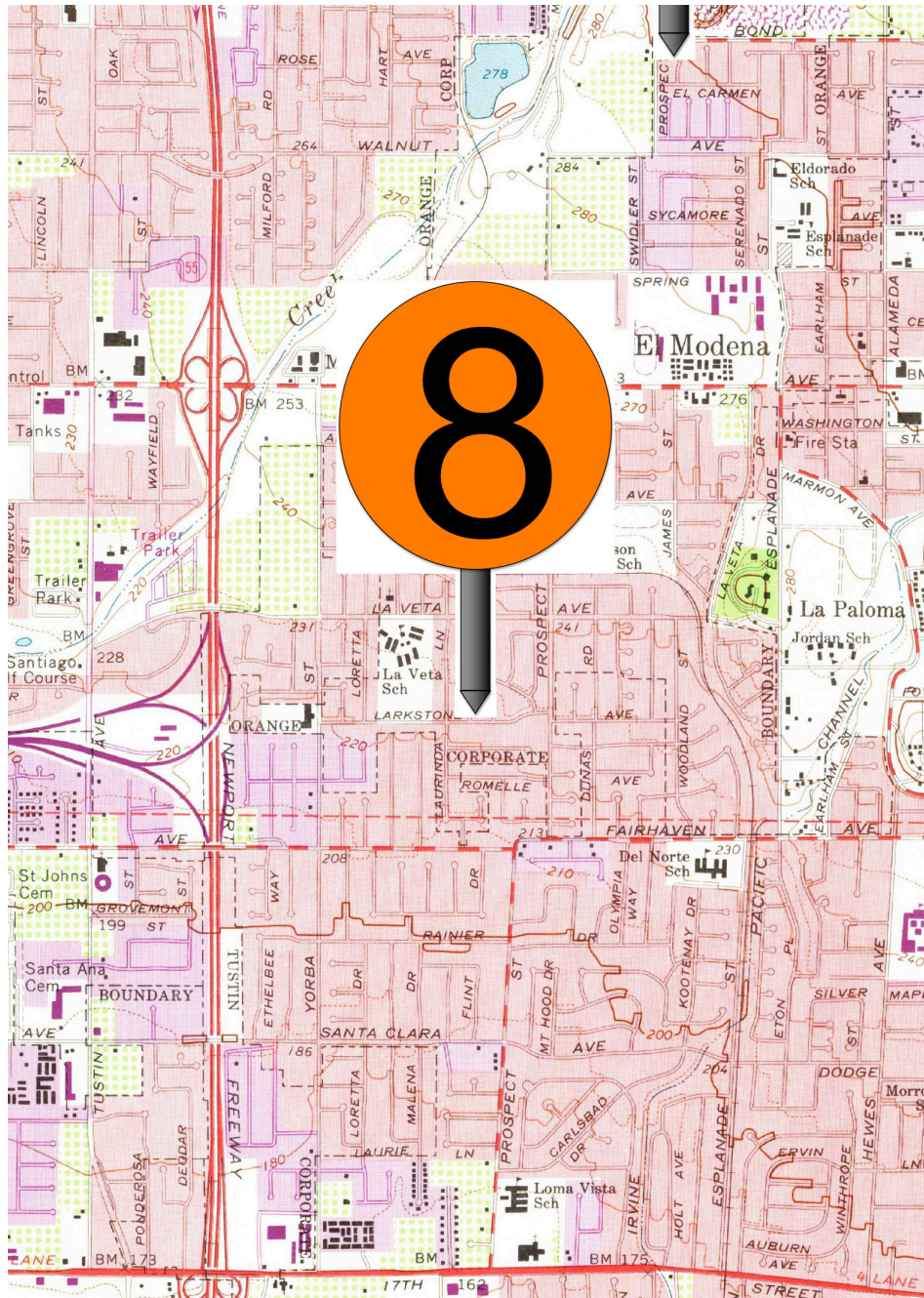
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**In the Radio Amateur
Callbook:**

- 7• Trustee Home Address:
Ken Konechy W6HHC,
-2201 Eastwood St., Santa
Ana, CA:
-From the fall of 1969 to
the winter of 1978.**



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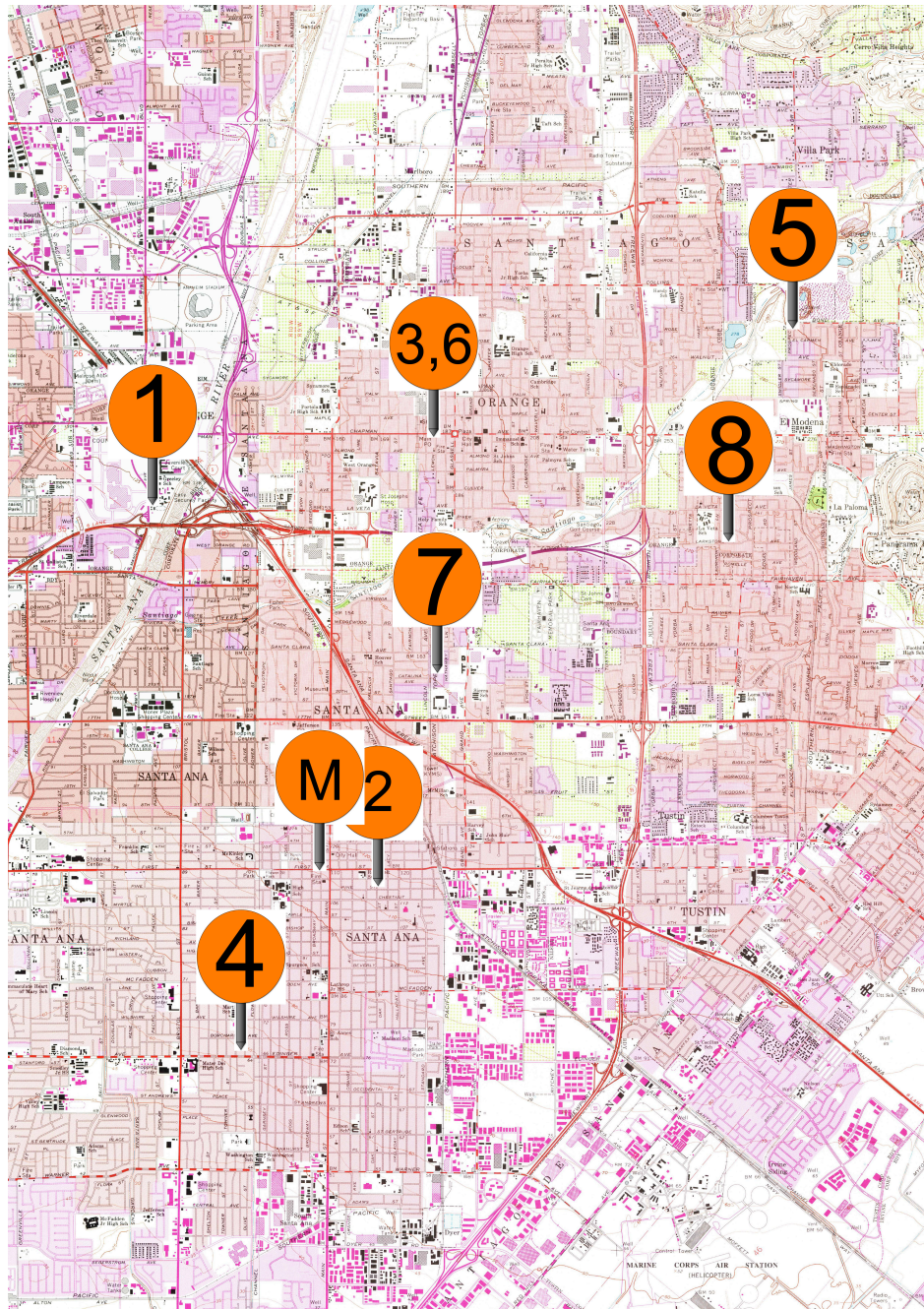
**In the Radio Amateur
Callbook:**

Then finally,

**8•Trustee Home Address:
Robert Eckweiler
WB6QNU/AF6C,**

**-667 Coate Rd., Orange,
CA,**

**-From June 6th, 1978 to
present day.**



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