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Hi-vs.-Lo Scheme

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Editor, *QST*:

About every so often a ham must "air" his views in print—not that it does a whole lot of good but somehow it affords a lot of personal pleasure and satisfaction to let off steam on some burning amateur issue. So I've chosen the Correspondence Section of *QST* as the logical place to put forth my pet idea. I know I'll receive some worthwhile rebuttal that will probably give me plenty of angles on the question that never entered my head.

Yes, it's the same old thing—High Power vs. Low Power. I have no permanent solution to this raging controversy but possibly an idea which might bring temporary relief and be workable if conformed with wholeheartedly. What I have in mind is this:

That each week, one twenty-four hour period be set aside in which only United States amateurs using 200 watts *input* (manufacturer's tube ratings) or under could operate.

That each week, one twenty-four hour period be set aside in which only United States amateurs using more than 200 watts *input* (manufacturer's tube ratings) could operate.

That this plan apply to all amateur bands both 'phone and c.w., except 5 and 10 meters.

That these twenty-four hour periods be rotated so that it wouldn't work a hardship on the fellows having to work certain days in the week.

I realize that this would be a restriction in particular on the operating of all low-powered men (I'm one of 'em), because we would have to remain quiet during the high-power twenty-four hour period. The high-powered boys could lower their input and operate all the time but out of courtesy's sake I don't believe they would. Even if they did come on with a reduced input it would still be a blessing to have those kilowatt rigs cut down one day in the week.

To me it seems a possible solution for obtaining a better chance at hearing and working those far away DX stations which now are always covered up by heavy "W" QRM. If the idea was tried we might draw some valuable conclusions. I expect the first several times it was attempted the QRM would be about the same as usual as we'd all be on, but would improve after several months. . . .

—Hugh Foster, W9FWL

Stamps

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Editor, *QST*:

Here goes an offer to all W/VE hams!

I will send free every two or three months a bunch of European stamps of different countries and value to one or more hams under the following conditions:

1. Only bona fide stamp collectors shall ask for them, tradesmen abstain.

2. No swap or trade offers, as I don't care for stamps and hate all profit-making ideas in ham circles.

Preference will be given to hams of my age (30) who are fighting for their butter in the newspaper jungle as I do. But don't rush, fellers—it isn't King George's collection.

—J. M. Van De Velde, ON4MO

