



#555 GROSS, Wilbur C., W8BKM, handle "Gross". Born August 12, 1905. First two way contact, March 1921. Occup: Chief Clerk to General Car Foreman, N & W Railway Co. Early rig Ford spark coil and Galena detector, then home made $\frac{1}{4}$ kw rotary gap. Was in USNR 13 years from 1928 to 1941, as Chief Radioman with the N & W Railway Co. for the past 38 years. Member QCWA #563, Conneaut Radio Club, Radio Assn., Erie, Pa.



#556 SOUTHWORTH, Francis G., W3JJ, Ex-5JJ, W5EOW. Handle "Frank", Born Nov. 30, 1905. First 2-way contact Dec. 1922. Occup: Certified Public Accountant, Maj. Sig. C.E.T.O. 1941-1945. Early rig, Ford spark coil open fixed gap, 2 slide tuner, Galena crystal. Member ARRL, QCWA, RCC, Old Timers, and various local clubs.



#557 REED, Stanley C., W8CC, Ex-8ANZ, W8IQS. Handle "Stan". Born June 4, 1902. First 2-way contact early 1920. Retired. Was Area Engineer, Michigan Bell Telephone Co., Dodge Institute 1921, Amateur, also Commercial First Class, 1921. Later ship operator, Gulf, Caribbean, Atlantic and Great Lakes. Schools: Univ. of Michigan and Milwaukee School of Engineering. Early rig first wireless exp. in 1917, using spark coil coherer and de-coherer and crystal detectors. Member of QCWA, holds WAZ and DXCC. Home is a Centennial farm.

#558 IRVING, Herbert W., W3FK, Ex-W8FC. Handle "Herb". Born Sept. 30, 1899. First 2-way contact 1929. Occup: Retired Country Notary Public and other office work. USN 1917-1919, Merchant Marine 1919-1923, Broadcast Station KDKA 1923-60. Early rig, commercial sparks, ARCS and crystal detectors. Member IRE and ARRL previously.