**Dorothy D. Hall Jacobsen-\*1902-1983\* W2IXY - W4IXY - NYC -** Springfield L.I. - N.Y. The period of the 30's Dorothy was once known around the world as The Number 1 Female radio ham. She got into Pitcarin VR6TC and KC4USC with able assistance regularly with her high power station. She was the Second District Chairman of YLRL. Ms Hall got interested in amateur radio and short waves through her husband Captain Horace L.Hall (1881-1947) U.S. Navy, who was an author, Sunday columnist, mariner and builder of museum quality ship models, from material by Jerome Berg. QSL via K8CX Ham Gallery.



We are aware of Dot's WW2 service; Giving code classes at NYU and Chamberlin Tech School; Head of NYC Fire Dept. Station (WNYF) radio department to train operators. We learned Dot was a long time well qualified NYC Fire Dispatcher in busy Manhattan. She had an article in the WNYF Magazine dated April 1948 Vol 9 entitled Dot and Dash.

Dot's husband Captain Horace L. Hall who expired March of 1947 built museum quality ship models, working best in late night hours, during rest period breaks he would smoke and listen to the radio discovering short wave after BCB stations signed off. He started his craft when only 7 years of age. Horace has a New Bedford Whaler on display at "The Louvre." His Sunday column for the New York Sun featured radio news supplements about short wave and some times amateur radio coverage "Captain Halls Short-Wave Page" The Captain has a writeup in Life Magazine January 2<sup>nd</sup> 1939 issue Page 36. He was a radio specialist for the Australian News Bureau.



Recently more is known about the couple from Springfield Long Island who graced the printed page and the short wave radio bands. Hall's had one daughter Ms Lillian Freeman. Some say Dot's voice can still be heard over the NYFD radio system. There is a record of Dot's Twenty meter chat with King Farouk of Egypt. Dot's call is not listed in the Call Books after 57.

Karl Detzer in Readers Digest April 1947 wrote about Dot Hall, we are trying to obtain a copy of the Digest. By 1949 Dot was still listed as a YLRL member. Dot shows moving to West Palm Beach Fla noted Palm Beach Post

joining the amateur radio society functions moving from New York 22 Sept 1950. Page two follows.

Dot Hall W2IXY was finally located with print in the Palm Beach Post dated 22 Sept 1950. Dorothy was part of a group assembled at the George Washington Hotel a fashionable social and civic center in West Palm Beach. Many hams attended including H.H. Smith - Elsie W4CQL and other YL operators. The article had noted Dorothy Hall had relocated to Florida from NYC. "Making her home here."

In 1958 Dot obtained four land W4IXY and resides in Rivera Beach and by 1961 Dot has moved to Tampa, Hillsboro County. There is a record of her death in Tampa Florida 24 June 1983 expires at age 81 in which she became a Jacobsen. RIP Dot ZUT!

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