



Dr. Michael I. Pupin - PH.D LL.D -2XM-
1854-1935 - Physicist, inventor, chemist
and Instructor. Born in Serbia, emigrated to the U.S.
when he was only age 16. He held a series of menial
jobs in the Cortlandt Street section of Manhattan
(long before Radio Row was established) learning
English and American ways.

Dr. Pupin pride of Columbia Univ. and of Serbia. He
graduated with honors in 1883. Your author has a
copy of his book "From Immigrant to Inventor." A
wonderful thing in this book, Dr. Pupin expresses his
faith in the midst of a technical workmanship.

One of the better known inventors and technical
minds of the 20th century was **W2XMN** Major Edwin
Armstrong who studied under Dr. Pupin at Columbia
Univ. NYC – Armstrong had his own private lab on
university property, as long as he lived.

Dr. Pupin's book "From Immigrant to Inventor" won the Pulitzer Prize in 1924. He held many
patents and was early on X Ray theory and application, long before the science was practicable.

Columbia's Pupin Hall is the site of their Physics Labs named after our subject in 1935. The old
wireless call (2XM) reminds me of the SCI-FI release in 1950 "Rocketship X-M" starring Lloyd
Bridges, which became a cult film. If you can obtain Dr. Pupin's book, it is a good read.

X IMP BOTHERS WIRELESS.

**"Static" Cuts Columbia's Communi-
cation With Ireland.**

That indefinable imp of the perverse known as "static" or X prevented the operators of Columbia University's new high power wireless plant from passing the time with San Francisco, exchanging greetings with Ireland and asking Paris about the weather, for the edification of the students and their friends last night.

Ireland was all right in the trials earlier and San Francisco was only in the next room so to speak, but when night came and Prof. J. H. Morecroft, Prof. Pupin's assistant, started things, static closed down and the best they could get was Glace Bay, Washington, Pensacola and a few nearby points.

There were 300 at the lecture last night. Among them were the Naval Academy graduates who are taking a post-graduate course at Columbia. As the receivers were fitted with amplifiers every one could hear the messages come in and most of them could read them.

Wireless telegraphy is young yet, Prof. Morecroft said. Everybody thinks it wonderful that they got Neuheim, Germany, from Pemberton, N. J., the other day. In a couple of years that will be nothing. They will get any place on this planet.

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If I am not mistaken, Dr. Pupin rests in the same cemetery as my Rock and Roll hero Allen Freed, in NYC.

