

A very busy VIP Hollywood craftsman, professional MGM and UA sound man, one **Harry M. Leonard, 2AKO and W6MBD**. A native Pennsylvanian born in 1900. With over 277 entries to his credit, the years of the 30s through 1960, for Hollywood film sound and TV shows. Harry received one nominee for an Oscar in 1946 to his credit (Film; Captain Eddie 1945) Mr. Leonard was also known in print as H.M. Leonard.

One of my all time favorite Si-Fi's 1951's "The Day The earth Stood Still" Was one of Leonard's babies. Another cult following, sound man for most of the "Charlie Chan serial movies." -

Then many unusually good musicals with hit scores, westerns and you name it. He was credited with many TV shows including Jack Benny. Then there is the film "Love Me Tender" the Presley cult picture.



Sound man or sound technician is an interesting study; Part of the film crew, seems have creativity in two areas, Production sound mixer and boom operator. The sound section then has four more branches, Recording engineer; Foley Artist; Sound Supervisor and finally sound designer. They use a sound device called a Fishing pole or a very expensive wheeled Fisher Boom.



Through Harry's working years and in retirement enjoyed our Ham game and many of his QSL cards adorned the walls of the faithful.

Our subject expired 17 December 1985 in California and rests at Forest Lawn in Glendale. The final stop for many Hollywood types. We've checked for activity when Harry was a young ham at 2AKO and find nothing listed. Thanks to W8JYZ for his extensive QSL collection.