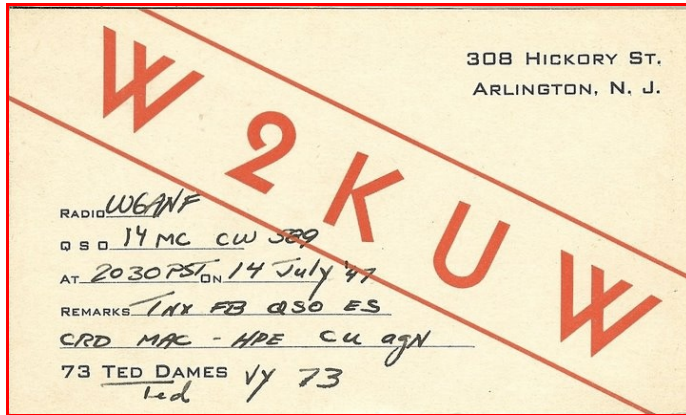


Theodore E. Dames, Arlington N.J. W2KUW *1921-1990* We observed Ted's electronic ads in the mid 60s of high end power tubes and military surplus wanted and for sale. Ted Dames Co., sold a lot of military R390's and would have had a good shipping department to get those brutes shipped properly and in one piece. I never observed a complaint, as Dames Co., must have had good customer relationships. Ted's QSL cards used my favorite up/down sideways print courtesy of www.w8jyz.com Bob has over twenty thousand cards on file.



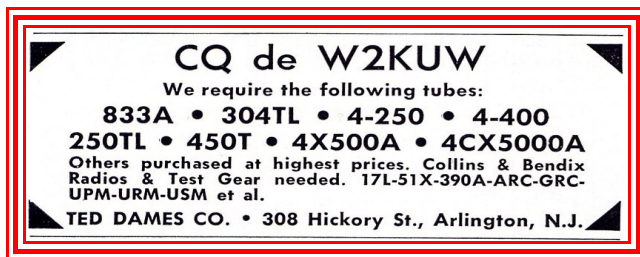
There was a period that Mr. Dames took over the W2 QSL card service bureau that had been foundering for a few years and got it back on its feet.

Dames had one revealing article he wrote in QST which could give us an idea of his character or what was behind this man. Dames wrote in 1964: "Good Neighbors." For almost six or seven years I have been writing and contacting a fellow ham in Ireland and finally had the great pleasure of meeting him in person for a few days

last summer when I went over. We really got to know one another and I have, as it were, adopted him. I send him whatever I think he can use and whatever may be of value.

Ted continued; I would like to see a national movement of this type where every U.S. ham seriously adopts one overseas ham and gets to know him as much as humanly possible through QSO's and letters and help them as much as can be done. The degrees will vary of course.

Wouldn't this truly bring about more brotherhood than the usual 599 CUL QSO such as I went through getting 280 pasteboards that don't mean a whole lot when you come right down to it? - Ted E. Dames, W2KUW, Arlington, New Jersey. Ted expired in 1990 at Ocean County N.J. It is thought he did well in his venture of the radio surplus business and made many friends.



Writer says; I've known several who have taken that approach and have had life long friends, some came over seas and naturalized. Yet I think too, it is something missed for state side friendships in our busy lives. There were many in the earlier days who enjoyed each others company and met for fellowship and the radio waves helped them keep in



touch via the key and microphone. May it be so. Ted was an alumni of Bishop Kearney H.S. in 1939.

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