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RADI CLUB

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D X N E W S

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As we are about to enter into the final month of the present DX season we can readily see that we are now rapidly approaching the end of the season, inasmuch as the news seems to be getting less and less each week. We are a bit surprised to note the fair reception that we've been having during the past week or so, inasmuch as we have been anticipating the "summer static" to set in for nearly a month now. We hope that this good reception will at least continue through the April FCC tests, and through the splendid DX Party which Bill Stone is lining up for us on April 19.

Speaking of this DX Party, it really looks as though it were going to be just about the biggest DX Party from Canada that we've had all season. Since last week we've received the following acceptances from stations that have signified their intentions of taking part in this series of broadcasts:- CFFR, 580 kcs., Prince Rupert, B. C. from 3:00 to 3:30 A.M.; CKWX, 1010 kcs., Vancouver, B. C. from 3:00 to 4:00; and CJCJ 690 kcs., Calgary, Alta., from 3:30 to 4:30 A.M. That makes the complete list that we have thus far at hand read like this:- All times E.S.T.

- CFCN, 1030 kcs., Calgary, Alta., from 2:00 to 3:00 A.M.
- CFFR, 580 " Prince Rupert, B. C., from 3:00 to 3:30 A.M.
- CKWX, 1010 " Vancouver, B. C., from 3:00 to 4:00 A.M.
- CHNC, 1410 " New Carlisle, Que., from 3:15 to 3:45 A.M.
- CKFC, 1410 " Vancouver, B. C., from 4:00 to 5:00 A.M.
- VE9CS 6070 " Vancouver, B. C., from 4:00 to 5:00 A.M.
- CJCJ, 690 " Calgary, Alta. from 3:30 to 4:30 A.M.
- CERN, 1260 " Edmonton, Alta. from 4:15 to 5:00 A.M.

Bill also sends a telegram to us that he received from FQN, St. Pierre, Miquelon, relative to their broadcast which had been scheduled for our club this past Sunday morning. It reads as follows: Owing to heavy icicle one mast of aerial broke down stop Repairs will not be completed until five weeks stop Regret impossible to make special program as arranged letter follows. Hence no doubt many of our members were disappointed at not having the opportunity to hear this station this past Sunday but such things occur every so often, which really spoil many a good program after it has been arranged. Still more news from Bill, to the effect that KFBI, 1050 kcs., Abilene, Kansas will dedicate the first 15 minute portion of their monthly DX program to the members of our club on Friday morning, April 10. beginning at 6:00 A.M., EST.

A letter from WJAG, 1060 kcs., Norfolk, Nebraska advises us that this station has a monthly DX program on the air the second Friday morning of each month from 1:30 to 2:00 A.M., E.S.T. Please take note of this date, the next program will be on the air on April 10.

Still another letter which was received during the past week, which we feel will be of interest to our members is one from Frank Andrews, DX Commentator for the K F I DX Tip Period. He advises us that a portion of the broadcast from KECA, 1430 kcs., Los Angeles, Calif. which will be on the air on Sunday morning, April 19 from 3:00 to 4:00 A.M., has been allotted to our club and that at that time greetings will be extended to all our members, as well as a personal message will be read to the DXers from your editor.

Don't forget that the April issue of Radex is dedicated to the members of our club. We hope that each and every one of you will buy one of

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them, for in this manner we can show our appreciation to Radex for having bestowed this honor upon our club.

### SHORT WAVE DEPARTMENT

By Ed Brandon

There is evidence on the air that Germany is expanding its short wave broadcast plan, which is said to include new waves and higher power for existing transmitters. For instance, DJM with a 6080 kilocycle wave was heard at 4:50 P.M. recently on 9,679 kilocycles. The volume was louder than any signal heard from Europe that afternoon during several hours of listening. DJM seems to be trying new channels or a strong "harmonic" of the regular wave may be reaching America. It is a matter of record that harmonics sometimes can be heard more clearly than the 'fundamental' broadcast. A German announcer said: "Tell us how we are received."

Station DJD, Berlin on 25.49 meters or 11.77 megacycles returns to the air April 1. In the warm weather season DJD is loud in the American air, but DJC is the more efficient during the Winter months. Throughout April DJD and DJC will broadcast simultaneously but the early morning broadcasts on DJB, 15.6 megacycles, will be discontinued after April 1.

TFJ, Reykjavik, Iceland, was recently heard in a short test at 1:30 P.M. with a station in England, possibly GSC, with which a telephone service is conducted intermittently. TFJ is on 12,240 kc. This station has been silent for some time, but is believed ready to resume regular transmissions. The schedule is 1:40 to 2 P.M. Sundays.

Programs from the Philippines are unusual in this part of the world, but KBB, Manila, came across the Pacific clearly at 7 O'clock one morning while conducting a test musical program. The channel is 8,700 kilocycles. This new station occupies a place on the all-wave dial, other wise somewhat devoid of transmitters. One side of an engineering discussion which followed the musical test on KBB failed to disclose when the station goes on as regular.

Ted Lewis, popular band leader, found a use for amateur radio when he tried to contact his wife in Circleville, Ohio. Lewis was at one of the amateur stations in Milwaukee.

Dr. Hard, owner and operator of XELG, when known amateur voice from Mexico, who already has one of the most elaborate set ups in the field of amateur radio, has started construction of a super amateur radio station at his future home, located some fifty miles south of Mexico City. Not only will his transmitting unit be the last word, but he has ordered a special receiver from an American concern. The receiver is on the communication type used at the famous Rocky Point stations.

There are reports that the station creating some mystery as to its whereabouts and using the call HJAN, is a naval base station in Colombia South America.

Paul Trice, of Sharon, Penna. says: "QSL just in from YN1OP states that International Reply Coupons are no good in Nicaragua and to have listeners reporting signals send a 3¢ U. S. Stamp. Incidentally, he uses 59 Ktal, 10 Buffer and 2-10s PP in final. Mod. Class "B" with 4-59s. His frequency is 14, 273 kcs.

La Voz de La RCA-Victor, HIT, Ciudad Trujillo, district of Santo Domingo, are now arriving in the USA, according to an announcement in

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the New York Sun. The notice continues: "A special DX transmission is conducted each week end from 10:40 P.M. Saturday till 12:40 A.M. Sunday."

Latest catches: VF9R, G5JO, FI2AV, HI5X, NY2AE, HH2B, HI6F, HAT4, CO8RQ, RKI, HJLABP, EA3AA, ON4PA, KE1CC. Careful tuning will bring a score of other stations on 20 m. The band is open night and day at the present. Send in your latest calls to the Short Wave Department. The columnists QRA: Box 699, New Canaan, Conn.

#### HERE and THERE

WKBZ, 1500 kcs., Muskegon, Mich., were only off the air thirty minutes after fire destroyed their studios and transmitter. The answer being that auxiliary studio and equipment were fireproof!

William Randolph Hearst, publisher, now owns five stations in Texas, and is seeking additional transmitters in several other large cities. This appears to be the formation of a new broadcasting chain.

Remember our articles dealing with a scheduled shakeup of the broadcasting spectrum, mention being made of the increase of power allowed stations on "regional" channels? In addition to the several stations on these channels recently given the right to increase power along come thirteen stations more who applied to the F.C.C. last week for 5 kilowatts power: WEEL, KOIN, WDAY, WAVE, WCSH, KHQ, KHJ, WJAX, WRC, KFWB, WWJ, KECA and WIOD-WMBF.

It has been reported that CKY, Winnipeg, is now operating on 910 kcs., and has been causing bad QRM with CKPR both day and night, for those listeners who live in such a location, so as to be able to hear both of these stations.

WFAB, 1300 kcs., New York, are only waiting for FCC sanction before buying controlling operation of WHOM, Jersey City. WEVD, New York, also on 1300 kilocycles, are reported to be negotiating with WFAB also for control of the latter station. This latter sale may mean the loss of identity for WFAB, as WEVD are desiring full time operation on their channel in the metropolitan area.

#### DX CHATTER--SW's (E.S.T.) By A. W. Oppel

DID YOU KNOW...that RKI (15.04) and RNE (12.0), Moscow, U.S.S.R., broadcast special test programs every Sunday at 10 A.M...HIT (6.63), Trujillo, D.R., using the slogan "La Voz de La RCA-Victor", operate with 200 watts power from 12:10-1:40 and from 5:40-8:40 P.M., daily, excepting Sunday. This station also DXes every week-end from 10:40 P.M., Saturday to 12:40 A.M., Sunday. Address Apartado 1105...HJLABP (9.60), Cartagena, Colombia are on the air from 11 A.M. to 1 P.M. and 5 to 12 P.M., daily. Address Apartado 37...ETB (11.95), P. O. Box 283, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, are now on every Sunday at 4:30 P.M., according to a recent station announcement...VWY (17.54), Poona, India, are on every morning immediately after 9...YDB (9.60), Bandoeng, Java, broadcast from 5 A.M. to 1 P.M...HRD (6.2 Ca Ceiba, Honduras, can be easily verified on their daily piano program between 10:45-11 P.M...HCJB (8.78), Quito, Ecuador, are being heard on 9.64 megacycles instead, around 9:15 P.M. We recommend the following German Short Wave skeds: DJN (9.54) 12:30-3 A.M.; DJR (15.34) 1:30-3:30 A.M. DJB 15.20, 3:50-11 A.M.; DJN (9.54) 3:50-11 A.M.; DJL (15.11) 6:30-8 A.M.; The above broadcasts for South Asia. For East Asia, DJQ (15.28) 12:30-3 A.M.; DJA (9.56), 12:30-3:50 A.M.; DJA (9.56) 8:05-11 A.M.; DJE (17.76) 8:05-11 A.M. For Africa, DJD (11.77) 11:35-4:20 P.M.; DJC (6.02) 11:35 A.M.-4:20 P.M.; DJP (11.85) 12M-2P.M.; DJO (11.79) 3-4:55 P.M. For South America, DJA (9.56) 4:50-10:45 P.M. and for Central America, DJN (9.54)

DX CHATTER (E.S.T.)

By A. W. Opperl

DO YOU KNOW...that KFLA, 880 kcs., Greeley, Colo., will test a new 1000 watt transmitter April 5, starting at 2 A.M...HIT, 1050 kcs., Trujillo, D.R., use 50-watts power...KPDN, 1310 kcs., Pampa, Texas, started broadcasting programs the latter part of last week...Tuscoloosa, Ala., and Champaign, Ill., will probably receive new stations on 1200 and 1370 kilocycles, respectively?

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KERMIT GEARY, Walnutport, Penna. - Conditions for Sunday, March 29, were certainly excellent and the stations surely came through. This morning I caught what I consider one of my very best stations on the BCB: I heard a bad heterodyne on 1060 kc. around 2:20 A.M. but I couldn't pull anything through, so I went up to 880 and logged a portion of KFLA's program. Around 2:45 I came back to 1060 and a strong voice announced in Spanish that this was HJLABG in Barranquilla, Colombia, S.A., now leaving the air. Unfortunately Kermit says that he was too late to log any program material. Kermit says that he doubts however, that he would receive a positive verification of reception of their BCB station anyhow, because they, like most of the tropical South American stations, usually operate simultaneously on SW and BCB and their QSL cards do not confirm reception of any particular frequency. Strangely, though, Kermit says he tuned over 49 meters about half an hour before but didn't hear anything of them on their SW frequency. He says that it may be that they were just testing their BCB Xmtr. Kermit says that they use 150 watts on SW, and he doubts whether they use more on the BCB. Tues. March 24, VK2LZ R7 on 10 meters at 5 P.M. Wed. March 25, OA4J, ZS1H, K4DDH, CPLAC, heard on 10 meters at 10 A.M. Thurs. March 26, 1 to 2 A.M. VK2APR8, VK3MR R6, VK3JT R7, OA4R R7, XE3W and XE3AG R9, all on 20-meter phone; VK2AP put a real live kookaburra on the air and its laugh, just as VK2ME's world-famous recording, came in perfectly and it was quite a thrill to hear the bird in person. 2 A.M., WHIS, WRAW, WTFI on BCB. Paris on 11880 kc. and GSN on 11820 were both fine at 2:30 A.M. According to a letter received today from CKGB we were hearing CKGB testing a new Xmtr from North Bay, not from Timmins. 11 A.M.; a new phone, YSL, Salvador, heard testing on 14975. Fri. March 27: 3 P.M. ON4HW heard on 20 meter phone. Sun. March 29. Paris on 11720 kcs., at 1 A.M., CO9GC with Bacardi program from 1 to 2. KFLA, KTRH, WHIS, WPAR, WBIG, WHA, CMBX on 1070 kc. DXing; KIEM 3-5 A.M., with Midnight Varieties Program; TGW R8 all morning went off the air at 4 probably for CJCJ DX, but neither CJCU nor FQN was heard. LYA, 3YA, 4YA good from 4 A.M. on. 10 A.M., RKI broadcasting on 15090 kc. 6 P.M. G5NI, G5JO, HKIZ, LULEX heard on 20-meter phone. Signals on 25 and 31 meters best since last autumn. GSD blasting in R9-plus; EAQ, FYA, DJA, DZA, HAT4, GSC, PCJ all R9. (National HRO).

CARL FORESTIERI, Bronx, N. Y. (Atwater Kent 711) - March 28th - WDEL DX-ing, KIEM on 1450 R7, and KFAC and XEAQ R6, from 3 to 3:30. March 29. Conditions excellent- although some static, never have heard the coaster so strong but KFI-KFO-R3-4. KIEM were R9 plus until 5. KFAC ditto, KWSC, KFLA R8, WHIS, WATL, KSL, KTRH all R9 plus, CMBX on 1070 kcs. R7. On 121 a station with a strong signal was on all morning but I never heard any announcement. From 4:30 on only it's carrier was on.

J. WARREN RUTZAHN, York, Penna. (Silver Marshall 724 and Midwest 16) - March 25. Reception good. WIL R9 at 1:32. KSL R8, KFI R7, KGO R6, KPO R7 CFB R9. March 26. WAP dedication to NRC R8-9 and very good publicity for NRC. March 29. KFI R9, KGPC until 4 R7. WIL R9, KFLA R9, WHIS R9, KIEM R7. Several stations on 1210 kcs., from 4 to 5. LYA and 4YA from R1-5. KWSC R7. ATL R9.

U. B. (PAT) REILLEY, Jamestown, N. Y. - Philco 16. March 24 too noisy

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to do much DXing. WHIS at 2:30 and WEST at 2:40 A.M. March 25, heavy static. WRR at 2:35. KIEM until 5. KOL has been on until 4 A.M. lately. WLLH at 3:10. WRAW at 3:20. W3XBS at 3:55 - NBC, Belmore, Long Island on 2800 kcs., KADA at 4:10. March 26. Two excellent dedications for NRC from WHIS and WLAP, but heavy static took the pleasure out of trying to listen to these broadcasts. CMJC at 4:29 and WSMK at 5:03 on test. March 27. Lots of static present. WLAP at 3:45. WHIS at 3:20 and WCMI at 4. March 28. Very fine reception. WMC at 2:30, WDEL at 2:45, KGMB uses a 3 chime tone at the 15 minute announcements and give a resume of the next day's programs at 5 A.M. just prior to their sign off. 20 meter phones were active all night. March 29. Quite heavy static. CJRC at 1:30 KEHE at 1:45, WHA at 1:50, KWSC at 3:10, CMBX on 1070 at 2. KLO at 2:48, WHIS, WPAR, KECA, WBIG, KIEM, EGA, all from 2:50 to 3 A.M. the 1400 kcs., end of the dial was alive with stations. WTMV at 2:30. TGW on 1210 sighed off at 4:06 to let CJCUC have clear channel but nothing heard of CJCUC. KFKA at 3:20 testing new xmtr. WOI at 3:22 and CMCD on 950 at 1:40. March 30th too noisy to DX. Pat also says that during the past two Sunday morning the call TGWA has been used by TGW on 5950 and 9540 kcs.

BENJAMIN GENUNG, Spring City, Penna. March 18 was up listening to flood bulletins over KDKA and caught WFMD testing on 900 kcs., at 1:20. Heard 20 meter ham NY2AE last night. Ben says that he goes to one of his friends who has a 5 meter outfit and they have a fine time playing with the outfit each time he goes out there.

JOHN E. OTT, Sanborn, Iowa We have two reports from John this week. His report of last week did not reach us in time for the Bulletin owing to the fact that some of our mail was delayed by flood conditions. March 18 WTBO received for 1st time broadcasting emergency flood reports. CMQ R7-8 at 1, CMW R4-5 under KFSD. They always spoil the DX programs from CMW. March 20-heard the following stations on with flood reports: WLW, WCAU, WYVA, WBZ-WBAZ, WSAZ, KDKA, WPAR and WRAK. Gene and Glenn on program for flood sufferers over MO after 11:30. March 23. Received WGAL for the 1st time, WLW and WFAY still on with flood reports. March 24, 25 and 26 heard WHIS on with series of "Special engineer's DX programs". March 26 heard KGKY and CMCY for the 1st time. Held the latter for over a full hour. Came right over CFCN. March 28. Heard 3YA faintly for the 1st time. 4YA heard faintly but 1YA fairly boomed in here at times.

J. J. BECKER, Sr. Hamilton, Ohio - Fine dedications for NRC from WLAP and WHIS on March 26. KOY heard fine on March 29, CMCR heard as a new Cuban with Alec Kinghorn doing the announcing. On March 30 Joe says he heard a Spanish speaking station on or about 1430 kc. They were heard from 2:40 to 3:28 A.M. with typical Spanish music. Chimes at 3:53 and also classical music. Heard a name spelled out, which sounded like C-A-R-I-O. Can anyone identify this station for Joe, he certainly would appreciate information regarding this particular station.

MILES I. HART, Plainville Conn. - Says that he's sorry that he hasn't been sending in any NPO reports lately, but hasn't been doing much DXing. Says he's been so busy this winter that he's not had much time for DXing and then too he's been building up a new Browning 35 receiver and a new radio corner in his spare moments. Now he's finished both, so maybe he will be able to accomplish some DXing in the future. He says that the Browning sure is a peach of a set, very quiet and sensitive. Better than many multi-tube jobs that he's seen. Says that short waves have netted him some very excellent catches from South America with this receiver. Hope you'll soon be able to give the set a thorough try out and that you'll soon be sending in some of those NPO reports.

FRANK FIELD, Jr. Johnson City, Tenn. - Reports that a combination of heavy static and interference from college final exams during the week of March 16 spoiled DXing for most of the week. The frequency checks yielded only two new ones for the log: KDON and KFJI. The Northwest is the only section not pretty well worked out in these tests and the stati was too heavy most of the time. 4YA came through poorly, no other TP's

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CALL FREQ LOCATION	FROM	TO CLUB	CALL FREQ LOCATION	FROM TO CLUB
SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 4.				
CKNX 1200 Wingham	C	4:30-5:30		
SUNDAY MORNING, APRIL 5.				
KXYZ 1440 Houston		1-3	CHAB 1200 Moose Jaw	3-4 C
CMBX 1070 Havana		1-5 C	XEFL 1150 Tiajuana	3-4 G
CJLS 1310 Yarmouth		2-3 B	CFCT 1450 Victoria	3-5 C
WJBO 1420 Baton Rouge		2-4	KGDY 1340 Huron	A 4-4:30
CKWX 1010 Vancouver		3-4	CJCU 1210 Aklavik	4-5 C
MONDAY MORNING, APRIL 6.				
WIRE 1400 Indianapolis		3-5 B		
TUESDAY MORNING, APRIL 7.				
CKBI 1210 Pr. Albert		3:30-4 B		
WEDNESDAY MORNING, APRIL 8.				
WHBQ 1370 Memphis		2:30-3 B	KGFW 1310 Kearney	6-6:15
THURSDAY MORNING, APRIL 9.				
CMKC 1250 Santiago		2-3 B	KIUN 1420 Pecos	2-4
FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 10.				
WJAG 1060 Norfolk		1:30-2	KFBI 1050 Abilene	A& 6-6:30
SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 11.				
WSBC 1210 Chicago		7-8 B		
SUNDAY MORNING, APRIL 12.				
CMBX 1380 Havana (1070)		1-5 B		

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 even heard. CFCC heard March 12 after 3:00 A.M. (Philco 16B)

We want to take this opportunity to thank Eldon Addy, Marcus, Iowa for having arranged for the dedication for our members from station KGDY 1340 kcs., Huron, S. D. which will be on the air this coming Sunday morning from 4:00 to 4:30 A.M., EST. Eldon says that KGDY are very anxious to receive a lot of reports on this particular broadcast!

During the past week we have received here at club headquarters two copies of "Radio Calls of the World" which has been compiled by the Editorial Committee of the N.Z. DX R.A., and includes all the latest official information up to the time of going to press. They make the claim that this is the only edition in the World that contains accurate information regarding the Eastern stations. For this section and the complete information of Australian and New Zealand stations, it is invaluable to the DXer in the North American continent. They have advised us that on March 20th, they have revised the edition, and in it is found full information of the new Australian frequencies and of 2BE, 2AD, 4BU, 2WA, 4QN, etc.-calls that will no doubt be heard in North America. This book is available at 25¢ per copy, providing we can get orders enough for a dozen of them at that rate. If you are interested, kindly send your orders in at once for this valuable booklet so that we can get our order off promptly.

The Code System, which we are using in our DX Calendar is as follows:- A-National Radio Club; B-Newark News Radio Club; C-Canadian DX Relay; D-International DXers Alliance; E-Globe Circlers DX Club; F-Universal DX Club and G-Universal Radio DX Club. We are still asking for comments on this new system so that we can determine whether or not you desire that we should continue with this code system or whether we should return to the old system, which in our estimation really did crowd the sheet, so much so in fact that it made the second column of tips difficult to read.

The date has been extended to April 15 in regards to Bob Rawstron's suggestion, which we sent you special notices of about a month ago.