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We welcome Dudley J. Carter-91 Avenel St-Invercargill, New Zealand as a new member and the renewal of Carroll Bath. Thanks boys and lots of good DX for you both this season.

### DX CALENDAR

DATE	CALL	LOCATION	KCS	CLUB	TIME	ALL	EWT
OCT 25	WWNY	Watertown	N.Y. 790	N R C	4:00	-	5:00 AM
29	WMRF	Lewistown	Penn 1490	N R C	6:00	-	7:00 AM
NOV 1	VATW	Ashland	Wisc 1400	N R C	4:00	-	4:30 AM
6	KWBU	Corpus Christi	Texas 1010	N R C	3:00	-	4:00 AM
7	WSLB	Ogdensburg	N.Y. 1400	N R C	2:00	-	2:15 AM
10	WCBI	Columbus	Miss 1340	N R C	2:40	-	2:50 AM
10	KORN	Fremont	Nerb 1400	N R C	2:00	-	2:30 AM
14	KSJB	Jamestown	N.D. 600	N R C	2:00	-	3:00 AM
14	WISE	Asheville	N.C. 1230	N R C	4:00	-	4:30 AM
29 or 29	VAJR	Morgentown	W Va. 1230	N R C	4:00	-	4:30 AM
DEC 5	KVCV	Redding	Calif 1230	N R C	4:00	-	5:00 AM
11	KGBS	Harlingen	Texas 1240	N R C	4:15	-	4:25 AM
13	WKNE	Keene	N.H. 1290	N R C	4:00	-	5:00 AM

There being no station write ups this issue, your CPC Chairman sends this bit of reading for you members.

Your CPC Chairman wants information on west coast all nighters. Will you lads on the west coast let me know when the following stations are silent. KSFO-KMTR-KVI-KMJ-KXL-KXA-KLX-KHJ-KOIN-KNX-KRSC-KRKD-KFSG also the Mexican on 11.50 kcs-KGFJ-KLS-KOL-KFAC-XEPI-KTBI-KPBB. In case there are any others please mention them too. This information will come in handy in scheduling any DXes on their frequencies, if and when.

EVERYBODY - PLEASE INDICATE IN ALL YOUR REPORTS TO STATIONS THAT YOU ARE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB. IT HELPS TO PUBLICIZE US AND ALSO SHOWS DXING STATIONS WHAT PORTION OF THE DX LISTENERS ARE MEMBERS OF THIS CLUB. THANK YOU. Ernest R. Cooper, 438 East 21. St, Brooklyn 26.

There have been a couple prizes in the offering on the WKNE DX. Full information as to what they are will be announced as soon as it is definitely known. So remember the date and have this date open to tune in.

It would be appreciated if any of you members, either at home or in the Armed Services, know the GRA of any or all of the following members. Their bulletins have been returned to Club headquarters. They are Fulton B Creech; Ernest Griebel; Don Reynolds and Leon Zempoluch. Yes Fred Borchardt's bulletin came back today along with Lloyd E Staples. Any help will be very much appreciated. Drop a line to Club HQ if you have info.

Again this week a couple lads complain about their bulletins being late. As said before they leave Buffalo on sked and nothing can be done at this time, the hold ups do not happen here so the only solution is to have your bulletin sent first class for the duration. It must be remembered that we do not print many extra ones so give your bulletin at least a weeks time to arrive via 3rd class. Then if it fails to reach you drop us a line and we will send another. but please wait a WEEK.

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FREQUENCY FROLICS

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KCS	CALL	REMARKS
550	WDEV	Waterbury, Conn tested on Sat 10/7 from 1-1:30 AM and asked for reports. (Phil Nichols-E Hartford Conn)
570	WMAM	Marionette, Wis, now untd with 250 watts days and 100 watts nights. We will try for DX. When do they s-off (E C Brooklyn)
580	WILL	Urbana, Ill on with freq check Sun 10/8 at 2AM. (Nichols)
600	WMT	Cedar Rapids, Ia is good at 6:30-7AM here hrd thru WICC (Lefty)
626	WCAX	Burlington, Vt freq check on 2nd MON from 2-2:15 (Nichols)
640	ZNS	Nassau, Bahamas. I'm sure this is Botzum's station, they use EWT and relay BBC News. (Ernest (Lefty) Cooper-Brooklyn NY)
655	TIBAS	San Juan de Tibas, Costa Rica running until 1:07-1:08 AM Saturday AMs with good signal. Hrd 10/7 at 1:06 just too late for call, but heard country and s/off song by Wayne King & Orch. Think this is the one heard by Wagner in last DX News (Nichols)
1010	CFCN	Calgary, Alta in clear 1-1:30 AM MON mornings. (Nichols)
1060	CJOC	Lethbridge, Alta in clear 1-1:30AM MON mornings (Nichols)
1088	????	Station on this freq badly hetrodying WBAL, s/off at 7:30 PM would seem to be a European. (Lefty)
1190	WLIB	Brooklyn, N.Y says no DXes at this time. Catch em at sign on 7 AM this month, inc Sundays (Lefty)
1240	KWIL	Albany, Oregon believe his check 2nd SUN 4-4:30AM (Nichols)
	WBML	Macon, Ga checks 2nd MON 2:45-3AM very ppor signal (Nichols)
	KALB	Alexandria, La still on this freq, checked 2nd MON 4:05-4:15 and heard on Oct 9th. (Nichols) This is their check (Gorsuch)
	KVSO	Ardmore, Okla checks 2nd TUES 2:30-3AM (Al Maley-Highland Falls)
	WCOV	Montgomery, Ala checks 2nd MON 3:25-3:35AM (Gorsuch-3 Rivers Mich)
	WGAC	Augusta, Ga checks 2nd MON 3:35-3:45AM (Bob Gorsuch)
	WFOY	St Augustine, Fla checks 2nd MON 3:45-3:55 AM (Gorsuch)
	WINK	Ft Meyers, Fla checks 2nd MON 3:55-4:05 AM (Gorsuch)
	KGHS	Harlingen, Texas checks 2nd MON 4:15-4:25 AM (Gorsuch)
	KOVO	Provo, Utah checks 3rd MON 3:30-3:45 AM (Gorsuch)
1250	KWSC	Pullman, Wash signs on at 9AM and off at 10:30 PM EWT, this must be new, just hrd em s/on R-6 and it leaves KTMS in the clear for good reception. (C.E. Sleichter-Del Paso Hgts, Calif)
1340	KHMO	Hanibal, Mo checks 1st WED 3:30-4AM, next one on Nov 1st. <del>zhkxk</del> eng is A K Guthrie. (Frank Wheeler-Erie, Penn)
	KRJP	Miles City, Mont checks 2nd TUES 4-4:15 AM (Gorsuch)
1350	CFGP	Grande Prairie, Alta was worked on for an hour, very weak and sign off at 3-3:01 came in swell. Said they were using 1KW you boys better try for them. (Nichols)
1400	CKCW	Moncton, N.B. heard s/on with good volume at 6AM (Al Maley)
	WHOB	Cookeville, Tenn checks 4th THUR 3:30-4 AM The chief engineer is Herbert Beasley (Eric-Bristow-Chicago, Ill)
1420	WVTH	Armed Forces, New Guinea, This is a low powered station and maybe some of you demon DXers can hear it. On from 9:30PM to 6:15 AM EWT. (T/5 Jack Villard- in New Guinea) / (Lefty)
1450	WNOE	New Orleans, am I daffy or did this sta s/off 10/4 at 4:30AM
	WKLA	Ludington, Mich was off freq the AM of WATW's DX, WNOE and one other could be hrd in clear from louder WKLA (Lefty)
	WILM	Wilmington, Del checks 2nd MON 1:45-2 AM Hrd 10/9 (Nichols)
	VMAS	Springfield, Mass checks 2nd MON 1-1,15, hrd 10/9 (Nichols)
	<del>KMXX</del> KFMB	San Diego, Calif has news items 3-3:15 with man reporter. and s/off at 3:15; KSAN with music at same time (Sleichter)
	KRBC-KABC- <del>KMXX</del>	all ck 2nd MON 4:50-5:05 & 5:35-5:50AM (Maley)
	WMFJ	Daytona Beach, Fla checks 2nd TUES 3:05-3:20 (Maley)
1490	WDAN	Dansville, Ill checks 2nd MON 1:45-2 AM (Wheeler)
	KBUR	Burlington, Ia checks 2nd TUES (or 10th) 5:30-5:45 and uses band music and on top of other two most of way (Brauner-Wmsvle)
	KRON	Omaha Neb does not have checks anymore see to a (Maley)

S/SGT AL MALEY-HIGHLAND FALLS NY My antenna blew down on me the other day and it was sort of junky. I went out and rigged myself up with 100 ft of new wire, new insulators etc and erected a brand new one with an approximate 15 degree change in direction, hoping it might cut down on the pesty New England stations who dominate the crowded channels all day long and during the evenings. Also got busy with a screw driver (a la Dick Cooper) and hopped the set up a bit and proceeded to get some pretty good reception for a change. My first indication of change for the better was when I heard WCED at 11PM the other night right over WBOC and WHTT. Not content with that I really out did myself by getting WMRF at 6PM Sunday evening with no sign of WNLC or WBAB. And to think I couldn't hear em before that having been too lazy to get up at 6 AM. Sundays mornings to hear their NRC DX's. Yesterday morning Oct 9th seemed to be pretty good for DX, KRBC had a splendid signal from 4:50 to 5:05, and from 5:05 to 5:20 KABR really pounded in better than I ever heard them before. From 5:35 to 5:50 KABC was heard with no trouble at all, and I am mad at myself for not getting up sooner. Heard KVS0 testing right after KICD, from 2:30-2:55 AM. This morning Oct 10th but VRAL took them out at 2:55AM. Also WMFJ testing at 3:05 AM with band music. Only veric lately was from WHEB on a noon report. Can hear them all day long with no interferences from locals. Can also hear CMK at 10 PM, and the other night I had KFI coming in weakly as early as 10:45 PM. Shades of New Jersey, havent had reception like that since leaving Elizabeth.

LEFTY COOPER-BROOKLYN NY Reports out to WSLB-WATW-CBJ-WKLA. No veries in but latest count shows that I have 1033 verifications. (Frank Wheeler please copy) It looks as tho we were asleep during the WSLB show, I was back in mid-season form and fell asleep during it. I didnt even know WJLB was on too. 10/4 WATW put up a good fight against WHBQ and often surged to the top about R 6-7. Both these dedications read our tips. All our programs will, you know and you may get some late surprise ones from time to time. That morning I caught WKLA definitely off freq about 1452 kcs or higher and testing for modulation, R-7 here. I thought WNOE signed at 4:30 but I might be mistaken here. There was another station on after that on 1450 and from reports I gather it was KHIC. I am hearing what I think a TA on 1088 which gives WBAL the business until he signs at 7:30 PM EWT. I havent determined the language used yet, because the hetrodyne is very strong from WBAL but I may, since WBAL has a talking program from 7:15-7:30. No reply yet from WCOL. 10/10 WLOG was not on as sked but did come on 4-4:15 and messed up WISE along with WCOL and WMFR. Betty had it really tough until 4:15 and still WCOL was on louder. Also hrd were WJMC 3:25-3:40; WPAY 3:30-4; and KDTH testing and off at 3:45 on 1340 kcs. WEXL almost in clear here. WNOE off at 4:01. WGNC at 4:30-5 check R-7; WRRF A-9 4:30-5; WGNC checks with Washington Institute of Technology. (Lefty are you sure WLOG wasnt on until 4:30 AM or nearly then-Ray?)

C.E. SLEICATER-DENVER PASO HGTS CALIF Why not print time and date of all known tests. I am sure all the members would appreciate this information. A request to members to furnish this info surely would bring results, a few could be published each edition of DX NEWS which could be filed for use when time available to those interested. Lists I have seen seem to be out moded at least I am not able to get any results here. (Well C.E. this is about a good a spot to print your idea, we are printing all the known freq checks in our "Frequency Frolic" column and Al Moley is keeping a record of them to be published in December of this year. So to all you boys, Al says to send in all the tests that you know ARE CORRECT and he will take them from this Freq Frolic column and submit a full list later. Remember to PLEASE keep them in order as to their FREQ and list them by FREQ-CALL-LOCATION and then TIME OF TEST and the DAY of the mo.

JOHN D LONG-DALTON GA The first 3 DX programs has been very poor here. CJRL was heard with a very poor signal due to fading and static. WSLB was not heard at all after standing by for them for 35 minutes on 10/3. On 10.4 WATW was heard this morning behind WHBQ very weak. Did hear call several times and some of the DX Calendar and out club was mentioned several times. Am anxious for WJBO's DX to roll around.

P/O E.A. WHITWORTH  
NZ-4211684  
R N Z A F  
c/o BASE POST OFFICE  
R C A F HDQTS  
OTTAWA, ONTARIO, CANADA.

Recently I've really been piling in the flying hours and consequentially my DXing has suffered. My only logging since September 16th being WHOM. However veries have come in from WROL-WJAX-WTOL-WAVE-WING-WADC-WERC-WIOD-WHDL-WREC-WOC-WAIM-WCSC-CKEY. As yet I still havent any idea when I'll be down in the states again although it will

probably be sometime in November. However I'll let you know about that later. (OK Eric, we will be expecting you so drop us a line and we will be sure to have some time off here.-Ray)

T/5 John H Willard-37345203  
5257 th Det Co "C"  
S C T S USASOS  
APO 503 c/o POSTMASTER  
SAN FRANCISCO CALIF

Here is just a line to let you know that I have been receiving the bulletins pretty regularly and that I have enjoyed keeping up on what you fellows have been doing. Have just received the August 19th edition and was glad to note Art Kobb's address. I talked to him over the phone when he was at Lowry Field, in Denver, just a few days before I was inducted. Since then I have kind of lost track of him. I have enclosed a little piece, cut from Guinea Gold, our newspaper over here. Perhaps it will be of interest, but I am afraid it is a pretty low powered station. (Ips listed in Freq Frolics on 1420 kcs)

Best of luck to you all for the coming season. (OK Jack and good luck)

DR JOHN KIRK-PT PLEASANT VA I am sorry about the mix-up on WLOG. I have here at the office a letter from Mr Beckworth (CE of WLOG) dated Sept 19 saying that they would be on the air between 3:30-3:45 AM EWT for their freq check which they would dedicate to us. I tuned in at 3:30 but there was no WLOG. Listened for their entire period but could hear nothing but WCOL. At one time thought that there was something else on but could not get it through to identify it. Then at 4 started listening to WISE. That was a mess trying to copy it through WCOL-WMFR and whatever else might have been on. So imagine my surprise when at 4:15 there pops up WLOG with their program for the NRC. I dont know what happened but it did mean that there were 2 different programs from 2 different stations (WISE-WLOG) on for the NRC at the same time. I am awfully sorry that it happened fellows, but it was something over which I had absolutely no control. (Dont worry about it Doc as those things happened before and will no doubt happen again, you could not help for what happened at the station, or the stations error. Probably the station had trouble and could not get on at 3:30 and didnt know about WISE, or didnt realize-Ray)

RAY "POP" EDGE-BUFFALO N Y Well nothing much to report in DXing. Verie in from KPUN and WAGM for their May 31st DX. Looks as if we will have another DX from them this season when reception will be a lot better we hope. Said they received only a few reports but perhaps will put on another. Their letter verie looks swell along side my report they signed on the first attempt for a verie. In regard to the KTRB DX. They also sent along a lits of reporters, so I will list them and if you didnt receive your verie send a dup report. Lppincott-Howard-Campbell-Spencer-Stoerns-Tewell-Brown-Morss-Reilley-Bartholomew-Sullivan-Brauner-Gabriel-Bristow-Selling-Geary-Kirk-Addy-Long-Koop-Curgen-Judson-Edge-Johanns-Thomas-Batson and Wachtel, all NRCers. 27win all and Dick Cooper left off.

DR JOHN W KIRK-PT PLEASANT W VA What the heck is the matter with the fellows reporting CJRL. Everyone except Dave Thomas says they were almost no good on their test. Here they were admittedly weak, but certainly not nearly as weak as a lot of stations I have sent reports out to. With the exception of part of one song title I copied them solid from 3:01-3:51 and I sent them a complete report on this. Here they came in OK to my way of thinking. I noted the station testing with unmodulated carrier in their background but it didnt bother to any extent. I just might mention for those of you who didnt hear all of CJRL test that part of the time they were trying out different levels of modulation and made some modulation runs. Everyone should have got them without difficulty. Dont know why you didnt. (Just too much static in my location Doc, nothing but a lot of noise was heard and believe me it was noise-Ray) At 3:51 I tuned out CJRL and in to 1240 kcs for the mystery station here that Dave and Al Meley also hrd. Here also no go on identification on this one.

To SULLY SULLIVAN;- Did you try getting your antenna wire from Mr Okey Kyer as mentioned an issue or three ago? If you did and still had difficulty please write to me at once and I will see what can be done for you. QRA here is 415 1/2 Main St. I feel confident that he still has some wire. Just received a confirmation (not verie) from a good source on a broadcast I reported back last Feb. You may remember that a bunch of fellows hrd CX6 on their test and that I said that I had something else. Well it was what I thought it was and have just heard from one of the engineers that they were on at the time mentioned, but being a secret station they could not confirm my report. Thomas also hrd this one I believe and has heard about the same sort of thing from the BBC a couple months ago. BBC reported to him that this station was on at the time mentioned. I feel pretty good about this and even tho it isnt a positive verie. If it were it would be without a doubt be my best, but am going to wait till the end of this war and try to get the officials involved to verify.

ROBERT SPENCER-BUFFALO N Y Reports out this season to WWRL-WFBL-WSYB who come in over WBNX here-WATW on NRC DX-WISE and WMFR. Tried F-M adaptor and hrd WHEF with poor volumn. (OK Bob get in that contest)

COME ON BOYS GET YOUR ENTRY'S INTO NORMAN MAGUIRE, HE IS WAITING FOR THEM. REMEMBER YOU ONLY HAVE UNTIL NOVEMBER 1st. If you do not like RULE 1 and that is holding you up, enter anyway and WRITE to your BOARD CHAIRMAN asking him to revise it or submit your idea of a better one. BUT ENTER THE CONTEST NOW. Send to Norman L Maguire 609 S.Walter, Albuquerque New Mexico.

NEW QRA's

Robert Spencer	34 Winchester Ave.,	Buffalo 11, N.Y.
Eugene S Allen	128 Ohio St.,	Vallejo, Calif
Sidney R Steele	1865 Yale Drive	Louisville 5, Ky.
Albert Bartholomev	156 Wardell St.,	Corning, N.Y.
Sgt Joe Pelletier		Chas E Lippincott S 1/C RT
HD Battery	664th F A Bn	Co 1358 U S N T S
Fort Sill,	Okla.	Great Lakes, Ill
SGT Jesse B Strawn		CPL Edward J Wyman
23rd Tow Target Sqdn		35th Fighter Sqdn
APO 832 % postmaster		8th Fighter Group
New Orleans, La		APO 926 % Postmaster
		San Francisco, Calif.
Bruce C Keene	S 1/C	T/5 John H. Willard
Co 1838	U S N T S	5257th Det Co "C"
Great Lakes,	Ill.	S C T S USASOS
		APO 503 % Postmaster

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TIPS and LPO REPORTS

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INFORMATION ON NEW STATIONS by Bill Gabriel Jr.

WROX 1450	Robin Weaver Sr., 250 w ultd. 321 Delta Ave Clarksdale, Miss	WMOH 1450	Fort Hamilton Broadcasting Co A.R. Bruck, C.E. 250w 2nd National Bank Bldg ultd Hamilton, Ohio
WOCB 1240	E. Anthony & Sons, Inc E T Parker. C.E. 250w South Sea Ave., ultd West Yarmouth, Mass	KJAN 1450	KNOE, Incorporated James Gordon, manager 250w ultd Monroe, Louisiana
WELQ 1490	Birney Imes Jr Le Roy Green, c.e. 250w W-E-L-O Bldg ultd Tupelo, Mississippi	WKLA 1450	Ludington Broadcasting Co. K.L. Ashbacher, President 250w Masonic Temple Bldg. ultd Ludington, Michigan
WENT 1340	Sacandaga Broadcasting Co W.L. Murtough, c.e. 250w 8 West Fulton Ave., ultd Gloversville, N.Y.	KTHT 1230	Texas Star Broadcasting Co., Fred Alexander, Pro. Dir. 250w Southern Standard Bldg. ultd Houston 2, Texas
CKNW 1230	William Rea Jr. E.R. McIntyre, c.e. 250w Windsor Hotel ultd New Westminister, B.C.	CKFI 1340	John M Reid Gerald Prest, Pub Dir. 250w ultd Fort Francis, Ontario, Canada

KEY to ABOVE

Call Licensee  
Freq Verie Signer  
Watts Address  
Sked Location.

The following Poem was sent in by PFC Leo Herz  
and was written by 2 Paratroopers of the 101st  
Airborne Division.

"THE HEROES OF PURPLE HEART LANE"

Lets drink to the Trooper so bronzed and tan  
Who marched down the road into Carentan  
They are the boys who so long had to train  
To go fight this battle of "Purple Heart Lane"  
Yes, its the road across the flooded plain  
The road To Hell we call "Purple Heart Lane"  
Why was it called this-you may wish to know  
Well, Jerry was there putting on his show  
He had mortars, machine guns and 88's too  
With plenty of arms to back up his crew  
And then there were snipers, men we could not see  
They kept fighting at us, my buddies and me  
We laughed back in basic at hugging the ground  
But we did this and licked it all the way into town  
Then came the charge that led to their guns  
We beat back those Jerrys, the invincible Huns  
Invincible they say, and they werent far wrong  
But we made them change the tune of their song

The long battle over, we trudged up the hill  
And paused to look back at our Comrades so still  
We think now of the boys and hope they died not in vain  
Our Plas-Yes "The Heros Of Purple Heart Lane"

by Joseph Lippincott.

Many DXers think hearing a TA is like pulling a rabbit out of a hat. They think it is some kind of magic special performance. Last year there were many reports of TA reception and this year we hear that sun-spot activity is at a minimum and that TA reception should be even better than last year. If this is so, who should try to hear the TAs? I should say anybody and if he listens at the right time he should hear a few. If your set will tune a 1000 watter on the west coast, it ought to bring in a high powered TA. I have heard many TAs that come in R-8-9 and some R-9 plus. These stations are often as strong as the west coast stations. Of course you may think this is only the case with a large receiving set. From Celo I have heard 17 TAs on a 6 tube battery set. It is nothing out of the ordinary as a receiver. I paid only \$13.50 for it second hand. I also heard TAs on my brother's set right in the City of Philadelphia and the set was not especially tuned up and is a small set. A chap I know in Maine has VAC on BCB on a 5 tube set.

The important thing in tuning TAs is to know when to listen. I had the good fortune to hear my first TA the first time I tried. Had heard that Radio Normandie was on 1113 and was hrd at 2AM. I tried at that time on my 7 tube receiver and heard it quite well. There is no interference and reception was quite easy but it is not so simple these days with all niter to compete with. Not that the British stations come on fairly early this may offer the best bets for early AM reception. The station on 1149 seems to be most often heard. This station has foreign language broadcasts and comes in fairly well although it is QRM'd to some extent by XEL. The British station on 1222 kc is also reported this season. Algiers on 1176 has been heard fairly well this year. The French station usually offers the best opportunity for TAs. The following frequencies are about the best to try; 913-648-776-959-1213-1393. In ordinary times these stations are not heard until about 2:30 AM. It is not certain that they will be on before that now. I suggest that in trying for TAs you figure on 2:30AM as a fairly good time to try. If you find reception is pretty good try for other stations. Look in a copy of DX Almanac to see what TAs to try for. When reception is very good, it is sometimes possible to hear other TAs on your set by trying at an earlier hour. The German stations, Italy etc are on earlier than 2:30 usually. LKS on 850 is a good station to hear at 2AM but may not be on regular schedule now.

It is well to remember that the Skip operates on the BCB as well as on SW although it may not be noticed so much. In any case you should be on the look out for the Skip and try at a time when it will do some good. It is best to select a few stations as indicators. I often use CBK on 540 as a barometer to forecast next AM reception. CBK may not forecast TA reception very well but if I hear it early in the evening I usually got up to DX. My guess is that GRC on 2380 kes from 9PM until 12:45AM might be a good barometer for TAs. It is near enough to the BCB to give some indication as to how well they may come in. There is a good chance of hearing high freq BCB TAs when low freq BCB TAs are not well heard. I have known of 250 Dresden coming in H-8 when the TAs on the other end of the band were not even heard, except very poorly. Even reception on long waves does not indicate what can be heard or expected on BCB. A few times I have known of TAs not coming in so well at 1:30 or 2AM and doing quite well an hour later as the skip takes effect. Sometimes it is possible to hear TAs quite a long time. Once in a great while they can be heard for 2 or 3 hours at a time. Hamburg has been known to come in from MDT until 5AM. The British stations used to come on the air at 5:15 AM and have been heard doing so. For people with good sets (selective) afternoon reception offers a great thrill. Lyons on 648 came in one evening from 5 until 6:20PM with only one minute QRM from WSM. For DXers used to hear the

British stations except in the afternoons due to their late AM sked.

#### VERIFICATION OF TA's

With the war in Europe drawing to a close (we hope) it is entirely possible that restrictions will be relaxed and verifications of TAs become a reality. However even if the war is not over it is a good idea to keep a record of your tuning and make a file of your reports. In order to try for a few veries now I suggest the following. Make out a form letter and have it printed, leave a space for filling in brief but accurate data on what you hear. In the report use no technical terms like QSA, R, etc. These terms tempt the censor to throw your report out. Merely give a report of what you hear and say reception was good, medium or poor. This report may be attached to an International Reply Card which is addressed to you. I suggest typing in a brief verie statement to be signed at the station and leave the balance of the space for remarks. In this way you spend very little for trying to get a verie. I might say for the benefit of new DXers that reply cards come in 2¢ and 3¢ denominations. The 2¢ are for use in the America's exclusive of British possessions. If you enclose a letter you will have to add a 1¢ stamp to the 2¢ on the card but the 2¢ reply card will need no additional postage. For other parts of the world you will use the 3¢ card and add 2¢ if you enclose a letter. One advantage of this set up is that you do not have to have a philatelic permit but you can pay for your return postage.

#### TA's SCHEDULES

It is hoped that DXers hearing TAs will be careful to report as many as possible, the skeds so that all members will have an opportunity to try for them. This should be a great year for TAs. Overseas members might be able to send some very helpful data on unusual stations and skeds. I surely hope that it will be possible to hear and verify a bunch of TAs.

FRANK S JOHNSON-PITTSFIELD N.H. Just a line to let you boys know that I am still interested in DX. Received a verie from HCJB the other day, also from WAGM on the DX last May, they stated they had only a few reports on that program but would be glad to try again this winter sometime. Hope to settle down to some real DX next month. (OK Frank WAGM is on the list to be contacted and we may hear from it soon-Ray)

CARROLL SMITH-ERIE PA Was in Pittsburgh for the Notre Dame game and almost went on down to see Dick Cooper and family. Sure had a grand time Labor Day with Dick-Ray and Art Hankins. Art is a new acquaintance, a fine guy, which is what I like about Radio Conventions-meeting people and the gang in person and finding what nice people they are. Of course we have our Lunatic Fringe in the person of a baseball fan from Brooklyn. Received DX Almanac from Art and must say the VRC's magazine is best since Redex. Oh yes that Earthquake was no surprise to those of us in the know-When a lug the size of Ray Edge falls even such a scant distance as from bed to floor (Yes you did Ray) the shock is quite sufficient to cause the earth's equilibrium to shift. Reported CJRL.

Believe it or not, with apologies to Kipley.  
 We had an earthquake Labor Day  
 The papers gave it quite a play  
 It's epicenter scientists set  
 In Canada,,but they're all wet  
 Kittinging knows it happened there  
 The reason for the Country's scare  
 and seismographic needles sped  
 Cause hefty Edge fell out of bed.

by Carroll Smith