This has got to be a FIRST. I think. A skinny magazine.

See what happens when you don't send in your reports. The columnists have nothing to send to us and thus you have nothing to read. If you all sent in one catch, one format change, one musing, you get the idea. REPORT please.

Actually a magazine this size is great for me, cause it only took us an hour to put it all together. No 4 hour sunday shift. In a way thanks. However, let's not make a habit out of this.

LOOK for the NRC Reprint list next issue. Didn't have time to get it ready for this issue.

#### DXChange

Wanted: Hallicrafter Panoramic Receiver, Model 8-35. [Peter Dal Corobbo, 18650 Marshfield Avenue, Homewood, IL 60430. Phone # 312-799-7837 (Home) or 312-353-1318 (work)]

For Sale: Tuning dials which, with a slight modification, can be used with the SM2-Price is \$5.00. (Dave Schmidt, 42 Chelwynne Road, Castle Hills, New Castle, DE 19720)

LOOK INSIDE 2....AM Switch 9....IDXD

4....DDXD-East

B....DDXD-West
12....NRC Addresses

Jerry Starr, c/o WHOT Radio, 4040 Simon Road, Youngstown, OH 44512 

#### CALL LETTER CHANGES

New CALL: OLD CALL: KTNS 1090 \*New CA OAKHURST

WARK \* KMBY WAS SET ASIDE AND NEVER 1280 WOZN MF GARDINER KVIV USED. STATIONS REMAINS KNZS 1340 KALY TX EL PASO

**KFXX** 1450 KKPW AZ TUCSON K7NS\* 1540 KMBY CO SOQUEL

APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

610 PR PATILLAS: 1000/500 U4

1550 NM SANTA FE: 50000/400 U2 (PREVIOUS APPLICATION WITH AMENDED POWERS)

GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

1530 CA YUCAIPA: 50000 D3 1550 CA Apple Valley: 800 D1

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

1460 WKAM IN GOSHEN: POWER TO 2500 WATTS

1530 KGTN TX GEORGETOWN: CITY OF LICENSE TO CREEDMOOR, TX, POWER TO 35000

(3000 CH) ANTENNA TO D3

1550 WNJO NJ SEASIDE PARK: POWERS TO 10000/3500

GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

980 WBZK SC YORK: POWER TO 5000 WATTS

VI CHARLOTTE AMALIE: RELOCATE XR

PA Norristown: power to 4800 watts, antenna to D3

1150 KEZB TX EL PASO: RELOCATE XR 1230 KFRV TX KERRVILLE: RELOCATE XR

1460 KMWX WA YAKIMA: RELOCATE XR

MN SHAKOPEE: POWER TO 8600 WATTS, RELOCATE XR

1540 KNZS CA SOQUEL: ANTENNA TO U3, RELOCATE XR

**OTHERNESS** 

1000 WLNL NY HORSEHEADS: STATION IS ON THE AIR WITH REL MARIETTA: SILENT STATION IS BACK ON THE AIR 1080 WFCA

TX CONROE: SILENT STATION EXPECTED BACK ON THE AIR WITH INFORMATIO 1140 KPHD

WXRA NY North Syracuse: Presently operating with 580 watts while New DA ANTENNA IS BEING CONSTRUCTED, EXPECTS TO MOVE TO 1200 KHZ BY 4/1

IDAHO FALLS: SILENT STATION ISBACK ON THE AIR 1260 KTEE ID

WNBN MS MERIDIAN: NEW STATION IS ON THE AIR

NEW BERN: SILENT STATION IS BACK ON THE AIR

1430 WOIR FL HOMESTEAD: SILENT STATION IS BACK ON THE AIR

KNOXVILLE: SILENT STATION IS BACK ON THE AIR WEMG

BAY CITY: SILENT STATION IS BACK ON THE AIR

AR OZARK: SILENT STATION IS BACK ON THE AIR

\*APP CA SAN JACINTO: APPLICATION FOR NEW STATION DISMISSED IN SAME 1550 ACTION GRANTING NEW STATION IN APPLE VALLEY, CA (SEE ABOVE)

TODAY'S CHRISTIAN MUSIC 89.3 FM AND 1540 AM Wsae/Ktgg

WHAT'S GOING ON IN TROY? A FEW ISSUES BACK WE NOTED THAT THE GRANT FOR UNBUILT WTRJ TROY, OH TO CHANGE THE FREQUENCY OF IT'S CP FROM 1510 KHZ TO 1030 KHZ HAD BEEN RECINDED AND THE CASE SENT BACK TO THE COURTS. FROM WHAT WE CAN DETERMINE FROM THIS RATHER COMPLEX MESS, THIS IS WHAT'S GOING ON. THE COURT BATTLE OVER 1030 kHz between APPLICANTS IN WORTHINGTON, OH AND POINT PLEASANT.WV BROUGHT WTR. Back into the picture since the Worthington Station. If granted, would AFFECT WTRJ'S MOVE TO 1030 KHZ SINCE THEY ARE QUITE CLOSE TOGETHER. SINCE THEN THE POINT PLESANT GROUP HAS REACHED AN AGREEMENT WITH THE PEOPLE BEHIND THE WORTHINGTON APPLICATION TO DISMISS THEIR APPLICATION FOR A STATION IN WORTHINGTON. SO YOU CAN SCRATCH THE WORTHINGTON APPLICATION FROM YOUR LOG. THAT'S THE EXTENT OF THE INFO WE HAVE AT THIS TIME BUT IT WOULD APPEAR THIS MOVE WILL ALLOW BOTH TROY AND POINT PLEASANT TO BE GRANTED 1030 KHZ, BUT STAY TUNED FOR, AS THEY SAY, IT ISN'T OVER TIL IT'S OVER.

THE EXCEPTINGLY ODD CASE OF KIGG. AMS READERS WILL RECALL THE QUESTIONS RAISED OVER THE CALL KTGG BEING LICENSED TO A STATION IN SPRING ARBOR, MI, A SMALL TOWN NEAR JACKSON. MI AND OBVIOUSLY WAY TOO FAR EAST TO BE GIVEN A "K" CALL UNDER EXISTING FCC CRITERIA. WHAT WAS FIRST THOUGHT TO BE A TYPO WAS FOUND OUT BY YOUR REPORTER TO ACTUALLY BE LISTED AS A K IN THE FCC DATABASE. THE CP FOR THIS 250 WATT DAYTIMER WAS GRANTED 7-12-84 SO OBVIOUSLY THE STATION WAS NO WHERE NEAR OLD ENOUGH TO BE "GRANDFATHERED" AS WERE THE STATIONS EAST OF THE MISSISS-IPPI RIVER WITH "K" CALLS ISSUED PRIOR TO THE PRESENT RULES. WE HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH ED TROMBLEY WHO IS THE CHIEF ENGINEER FOR THE SPRING ARBOR COLLEGE STATIONS AND FIND THAT THE STORY HAS A FEW BIZARRE TWISTS WE HAD NEVER EXPECTED. At this point we quote directly the words of Mr. Trombley.

"On July 12, 1984 Spring Arbor College was awarded a construction permit FOR A 250 WATT NON-DIRECTIONAL DAYTIME STATION ON 1540 KHZ....NATURALLY OUR REQUESTED CALL WAS WSAE (AM) TO MATCH OUR FM CALL. MUCH TO OUR SURPRISE THE LICENSE SAID WE WERE TO USE KTGG. THIS CALL WAS NOT REQUESTED NOR WAS IT REJECTED BY US."

COULD IT BE THAT THIS CALL WAS ISSUED BY SOME FUNCTIONARY OR SECRETARY AT THE FCC GETTING THEIR WIRES CROSSED OR MAKING A TYPO? AN OUTRAGEOUS THOUGHT BUT IT COULD VERY WELL BE THE CASE! WE NOW RAISE THE QUESTION: IF THIS CALL HAS BEEN ISSUED, EVEN THOUGHT IN ERROR, CAN IT BE RECIDED? OR, EVEN MORE OUTLANDISH, DOES THE FCC TO THIS DAY KNOW ABOUT THIS ERROR? SINCE THIS IS A VERY GOOD POSSIBILITY WE DECIDED NOT TO CALL THE FCC TO INQUIRE, NOT WANTING TO BE A PARTY TO HAVING THIS STATION LOSE ITS UNIQUE CALL IF THE ERROR WAS DISCOVERED. I KNOW THIS SOUNDS PRETTY FAR FETCHED BUT THIS WHOLE EPISODE IS FAR FETCHED. Mr. TROMBLEY GAVE ME HIS PHONE NUMBER AND PROMISED TO ANSWER ANY OTHER QUESTIONS I MIGHT HAVE. SO HOLD ONTO YOUR EARPHONES, THERE MAY BE A FURTHER CHAPTER TO THIS STORY. IT WOULDN'T BE THE FIRST TIME THE FCC MADE SUCH A BONEHEAD MISTAKE. NOT TOO MANY YEARS AGO THEY ISSUED A CALL TO A NEW STATION THAT HAD ALREADY BEEN LICENSED TO ANOTHER STATION IN ANOTHER STATE FOR MANY YEARS. OF COURSE, THAT CALL HAD TO BE RECINDED. THE CALL WAS WKOG AND THE NEW STATION WAS THEN ISSUED WKGO. But in the case of KTGG IF IT ACTUALLY WAS AN ERROR AS IT SEEMS WE WONDER IF IT COULD BE RECINDED. THIS CALL HAS NEVER BEEN ISSUED ELSEWHERE. THIS IS THE STUFF THAT MAKES WRITING THIS COLUMN FUN!

DIMY & BKF 73 AND GOOD DX, JERRY STARR & BUFFALO K. FOONMAN THANKS TO NRCER JIM RENFREW FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THIS EDITION OF AMS!

### O DOMESTIC DX DIGEST - EAST

William Hale

2160 Farm To Market Road, Johnson City, NY 13790

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#### MEDIUM MAYE CAMbilnes

- George Variath reports a Big MAC (major AUroral condition) attack occurred on 1/19, making a number of southern catches possible.
- Trivia Time: Name the only stations on Regional Channels in the U.S. operating with more than the normally allowed 5000 watts. Answer can be found below. Got a good trivia question on MW DXing? Send it in, along with the answer & reference.
- © Congrats to Jm Boshm and his lovely bride of 50 years. They just returned from a 50th wedding anniversary cruise aboard the MV Royal Princess around the Caribbean and through the Panama Canal. Jm actually had time to DXM, and he shares it with us in this issue.
- Gary Mitchell writes to say he has a GE Digital Superadio (model 72882A), which I inquired about back in Issue 16. Seems they were ahead of their time 5-6 years ago, and GE didn't think they would catch on, thus their apparent demise. I sure would like to run into one at a flea market or swap meet! Gary adds he is sick of junk-piling non-working \$20-30-40 portable radios. Anybody know how to fix 'em? As he lacks PC-transistor experience. The trouble is, as I see it, Gary, is it would cost that much for a repair place to fix it. So, its off to the junque pile.

Reference NRC Log

South Midmit with 25 km All thanks to Fidel

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#### SPECIAL

- 580 WKTY WI LA CROSSE 1/14 0318-0400 now noted #MCRN evernite; basically alone on frequency, but some QRM from WCHS (WPF-IN)
- 630 KMOX MO ST LOUIS 1/14 0320-28+ a nite regular, noted Yex from Richard Marx,

  Chuck Mangione, 4 Seasone; what kind of mix is this?; what happened to LK?
  in WLAP null (WPF-IN)
- 860 WTZX TN SPARTA 1/18 2100 America's Mb (sic) WTZX Sparta; OSW mx, no CJBC; wonderful 1st-timer on PSSA, that I had unn KNUJ (WPF-IN)
- 990 WSLI MS JACKSUN 1/13 1810 noted now simul MOR/OLD mx On the Class FM-96.3 (WPF-IN)
- 1040 WOKT KY CANNONSBURG 1/16 1728 Yearly Soff; gave address as a P.O. Box in Ashland; per AMS V54, 124 this CP was damled, but 'tis on the sir; 1st-timer (WPF-IN) (Yup, I've scratched it out of my log, too; what's the story, Buff?-WRH)

#### DX/EQUIPMENT TESTS

- 630 WVW WV ST MARYS 1/24 0000-0030 fair VWSKQ-620 splash VTTs, IDs bty male & female, instr SSB; conditions xint; WSKQ splash usually makes 630 impossible to DX here (RM-NI)
  - WVW WV ST MARYS 1/24 0001-29 Week TT from time-to-time; off @ :29; QRM from WPRO/CHLT & CFCO? precluded any IDs; only data I had for a tent rpt was SSB sandwiched between two interludes of TT @ 0018-19 (RUGG)
- 1060 KYW PA PHILLY 1/17 0115-0404+ noted TT, closest thing to mox I've hrd from them-hi; also OC; a SS stn was blasting them, un-nullable, playing CLA mx; KYW ID twice 6 0404, but only OC afterwards (WPF-IN)
- 1200 WOAI TX SAN ANTONIO 1/18 0332 \$9off; has been doing this on Mon AM for the last month, so must be a regular SP now (WPF-IN) (See SPECIAL, Issue 15 for this news from Jim Bomba-WRH)
- 1420 WIMS IN MICHIGAN CITY 1/20 0349 noted testing Polka mx; these guys are big on this Sun afternoons, they rarely use tones when testing, might even use polka on EBS Test; was using day pattern; WHK/WOC in their null (WPF-IN)

#### EMERGENCY BROADCASTS

- 990 WNRV VA NARROWS 1/6 0710-0715 9all Mannet of operation under Emergency Broadcast
  Regulations to air school closing info relating to record cold wx (KG-PA)
  WEEB NC SOUTHERN PINES 1/7 2125-30 Matrong Manney closing annets, wx reports,
  - POP mx & ads(!) (that's illegal-WRH) (KG-PA)
- 1000 WTAK AL HUNTSVILLE 1/7 1815-30 strong ∀snow info & ROK mx; annet that b'cast was by authority of the Huntsville Emergency Management Agency; ID as Huntsville's Great R&R; at 2100 on WLUP, a caller complained about WTAK QRM in IN (KG-PA)

  UNIDs & UNIDs IDd
- 990 WAL? ?? 1/14 2130 Ypoor YWZZD; noted ID but not much else; that it was WALK, but they're on another freq; lost in QRM (WW-MA)
- 1090 UNID ?? 1/4 0120-0200 FF speaker, Ystrong YWBAL off; chatter & sps, but no ID noted (GV-PA)
- 1160 UNID ?? 1/14 2120 fair→good ∜OLD; slogan Classic Rock'n'Roll Stereo (WW-MA)
- 1250 UNID ?? 1/19 1745-55 Yauto C&W mx, satellite DJ was <u>Terry Stevens</u>; AM-1250 Kickin' Country ment between songs; poss SNN nx @ 6 PM; should be either from a Southeastern state or located close to NE PA, due to conditions (GV-PA) See last week's UNIDs; could have been WTMA-SC; -WRH)

- 1440 UNID ?? 1/20 0400 noted the last week \(\frac{1}{2}\)LK show, but \(\theta\) :00 & :30, no IDs, only a one-sec tone, like it's trying to trip a cart machine for an ID; suspect \(\text{WNFL or WHHY; loops N/S; I only show KVON/KMED \(\text{WLK on 1440}\) (\(\text{WPF-IN}\)
- 1520 UNID ?? 1/3 0639-0703 good in WWKB null YOSW-style GOS mx, female DJ Yfrequent
  IDs (but couldn't quite catch 'em), rais by The Dalton Gang & the Echoes; also
  songs Wonderful, Glorious Day & Let Somebody Innau; WSFZ?? (EH-NJ)

#### TIS & OTHER

1610 KPC731 PA FT NECESSITY NAT'L BATTLEFIELD - 1/1 0130-40 fair, in the clear Prepeating info about Ft Necessity, the Nat'l Road, & Friendship Hill Nat'l Historical Site (KG-PA)

#### PIRATES & OTHER ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES

1620 WENJ? NJ ????? - 1/1 0130-0205 strong YROK OLD & frequent IDs by <u>Jack Beane</u>; gave phone #201-634-7816 to call for veries; prompt letter, QSL & 2 photos; hrd each New Years Eve since '73 (KG-PA)

#### WIDNIGHT TO WIDDAY

- 580 WELO MS TUPELO 1/10 0635-58 alone YOSW mx, lcl ads, prome for morning devotion pgm prome for Sally Jesse Rafael pgm repeated 3 times in a row; was totally puzzled 'til I found this listed in recent Formats column, missed AMS ernot (BH-NJ)
- 610 WIOD FL MIAMI 1/15 0447 good \(\frac{1}{2}\) the show, guest discussing laws regulating nutritionists and their dispensing products & info; ID @ 0500 This is 6-10, WIOD, Miami (JB-Cruise2)
- 630 WLAP KY LEXINGTON 1/24 Midnight ID noted while awaiting WWW test; 1st timer (BH-NJ)
- 700 WLW OH CINCINNATI 1/11 0156 Melton Trucking Co ad for drivers (mama & pape teams welcome), call 1-800-551-8925; lgl ID @ 0200 (JB-Cruisel)
- 740 KTRH TX HOUSTON 1/18 0530 Yux @ Hobby & Int'l Airports; KTRH NxRadio 7-40 A-M+ nx, then KTRH News Radio @ 0539 (JB-Cruise 3)
- 780 WBBM IL CHICAGO 1/11 0145 IL Lottery #s being drawn; ID @ 0151; WBBM NxTime is 1:51 (JB-Cruise1)
- 810 WOIZ SC ST GEORGE 1/8 0631-47 fair YWGY YB/GOS mx, DJ Yachool closings & reports of icy road conditions (BH-NJ)
- 820 WIGT NY HORSEHEADS 1/23 0729-37 good YWNYC splash Ymotorsports rpt, lcl nx, Light AM slogen, OLD (BH-NJ)
- 870 WWL LA NEW ORLEANS 1/2 Midnight fair→good; slogan Radio 8-70 WWL (WW-MA)
- 880 WCBS NY NEW YORK 1/11 0138 WWCBS Medical Tlk, Dr ? discusses use of Cold Stearics(?) in diet control; Clear skies in Manhattan, it's 190, WCBS NxTime is 1:48 (JB-Cruisel)
- 1080 WKGX NC LENGIR 1/8 0658-0703 way YWTIC YCSW red, lcl nx (BH-NJ)
- 1120 KMOX MO ST LOUIS 1/11 0035 Cinema Spectacular pgm about movies/TV pgms; It's
  13 minutes before 12 O'Clock here in St Louis; American Health Fund promo, #
  1-800-433-5959; lgl ID @ 0100 (JB-Cruise1)
  - KMOX MO ST LOUIS 1/18 0648 eye glass ad, In 9 minutes it will be 5 0'Clock this Monday here at KMOX (JB-Cruise3)
- 1130 KWKH LA SHREVEPORT 1/14 0339 Frequests for Wichita Lineman from Abilene, KS & Wichita, KS; LSU/TN BKB results (52 to 51); ID @ 0345 (JB-Cruise2)
- 1200 WOAI TX SAN ANTONIO 1/18 0601 MCBS Nx; no doubt about this one-hi (JB-Cruise3)
- 1240 WJIM MI LANSING 1/16 0405 WCLs just 9mush; only my 2nd catch on 1240 here,
- other than the trio from Chicago (WPF-IN)
- 1250 CBGA PQ MATANE 12/29 0130 good 9FF songs (WW-MA)
- 1280 WSQV PA BERWICK 1/8 0713-34 fair in WADO null WOLD, lcl ads; never hrd Wold CLs (BH-NJ)
- 1260 WBNR NY BEACON 1/16 0717-37 poor, MOLD, lcl ads, lcl nx, college BKB promo (BH-NJ)
- 1290 WCHY GA SAVANNAH 1/8 0656-59 way 9all 92 ads, wx, achool menu, Y-94 FM slogan (KG-PA)
  - WXKL NC SANFORD 1/8 0657-0703 strong ¥NC News Net Nx, ID as Lee Cnty's One & Only Christian Stn⇒sps from NC News Net: ex: ₩SBL (K5-PA)
- 1320 WANI VA RICHMOND 1/3 0628-35 fair, Ynx; Your source in Richmond for nx & information (BH-NJ)
- 1330-1500 Now a big gap occurs-hi
- 1510 WLAC TN NASHVILLE 1/14 0526 Mother ? selling a special stone, The Problem Solver & Success Plan for \$21, call 1-318-343-9246; 0530 ID WLAC, 15-10 AM, Nashville (JB-Cruise2)
  - WLAC TN NASHVILLE 1/18 0640 ad for The Cross, 17 songs for \$11.98, write to R-A-N-D-Y @ Gallatin, TN 37066; CLs @ 0644 (JB-Cruise3)
- 1520 WANI VA RICHMOND 1/3 0628-35 fair in WWMB null 95on, favorite mc jx, ABC Nx (BH-NJ)
- 1590 WCKY OH CINCINNATI 1/18 0625 NBC Nbc & WCKY NxTime is now 5:27 & On your Superbowl Stn WCKY, time is 5:32 (JB-Cruise3)
- 1590 WERA NJ SOUTH PLAINFIELD 1/3 0200 noted briefly \(\frac{1}{2}\)fair\(\to\)poor signal; CLs, \(\pi\x\), then what sounded like a prayer \(\theta\) 0201 (WW-MA)

#### MIDDAY TO MIDNIGHT

- 620 WJDX MS JACKSON 1/18 1800 Ye tough WTMJ+ABC Nx (WPF-IN)
- 670 WYLS AL YORK 1/4 1750-1815 Yatrong in WMAQ null YMx for listeners over 40,

- ABC Nx 0:00; frequent IDs as The Big Sumter Giant, and location as York & (b)
- 710 KEEL LA SHREVEPORT 1/18 1/56 it's dark outside, and Eureka!, a domestic on this freq playing the best of the 50s, 60s & 70s (moldy oldies); alone yeome WGN
- 720 CHTN PI CHARLOTTETOWN 1/9 2326 Ygood, but fadey signal, song Girl Watcher: 1st time on 720, ID 7-20, CHTN (WW-MA)
- 740 WKIS FL ORLANDO 1/19 1736-46 good, no CBL; call-in show, Newstalk-74 slogan; ad for surplus Toyota sale; gone @ 5:45; CBL in @ 5:46 (GV-PA)
- 810 WJXL AL JACKSONVILLE 1/9 1756-1801 L&C in WGY null \$\forall \text{SRN Nx, wx for SE U.S.,} boast about their 1/7 snow coverage (KG-PA)
  - WK2N VA CROZET - 1/7 1713-15good \( \PWCEC/\PWGY; \) snow canx, \( \psi off \) (6V-PA)
  - WHITS IN MURFREESBORO 1/13 1740-45 good YWGY; C&W mx, word abt free gifts from lcl merchants (GV-PA)
- TX FT WORTH 1/2 2256 in briefly 4wC6W mx 4wfair signal, ID; not hrd in a 820 WBAP long time; lost to WZYQ (WW-MA)
  - WZYQ MD FREDERICK ~ 1/2 2251 & 2310 good \$C&W mx; ID Hit Country, 82-Q; back to Live at Gilley's @ 2310; Log sez 500 watts @ nite; address in log is wrong, new address is P.O. Box 1129, Frederick, MD 21701-1002; 1st-timer here (WW-MA)
- 830 CFJR ON BROCKVILLE 12/29 2020 fair\*poor ymuch background noise (WW-MA)
- 840 WHGH GA THOMASVILLE 1/8 1735-45 poor "Fidel/WHAS; ad for Movies, movies, movies 'n' more @ Plantation Shopping Ctr (GV-PA)
- 870 WHCU NY ITHACA 12/29 2015 strong for a few minutes, then lost in FF stns QRM; song Mother-in-Law; hrd only a few times before (WW-MA)
- 900 WSEA DE GEORGETOWN 1/2 1657-1710 good in WDVT null \$\pi\mix of ROK OLD & MOR; IDd as WSEA 900; ex:WJWL (KG-PA)
- WECO TN WARTBURG 1/13 1738-43 C&W mx, ad for Landmark Restaurant on rte 62, folo by sps promo (GV-PA)
- 990 WZZD PA PHILLY 1/14 2135 poor+good WCLs; lost to unID stn (WW-MA)
- 1000 WHEV NC GARNER 1/5 1715-30 9off; 9all 9C&W mx & female anner; full-data 9off + SSB; ex: WKBQ (KG-PA)
  - WXWY AL ROBERTSDALE 1/16 1809-15 %off; weak, but in the clear \$C&W mx, fulldata %off & SSB (KG-PA)
- 1050 WFAM GA AUGUSTA 1/20 1650-1715 strong in WFAN null Frecorded REL, ad 0:00, and This is the stn that loves the family (KG-PA)
  - WFAM GA AUGUSTA 1/7 1757-1825 good WFAN/others; GOS mx, later Verse for the day (GV-PA)
  - WBNC NH CONWAY 12/28 1634 fair WWFAN; Go tell it on the mountain folo by Joff
- 1070 KHMO MO HANNIBAL 1/15 1717 in \$Stars & Strikes bowling rpt sponsored by something in Bowling Green; ments of Moberly, Mexico, Hannibal (don't you love small town nx?); in WIBC null & WNWI-1080 aplash (WPF-IN)
- 1120 WCGM TN MARYVILLE 12/31 1730 rose to strong level @ Soff MSSB, followed by clear ID by NRCer Steve Francis (KG-PA)
  - WDUF VA DUFFIELD 1/15 1737-45 %off; Ystrong MC&W GOS songs, female annor; full-data %off + SSB; now 1000 watts (KG-PA)
- 1140 WRVA VA RICHMOND 12/29 2006 strong Wend of nx & talk show called Viewpoint (WW-MA)
  - WQBA FL MIAMI 1/19 1752-55 fair, Yweek WRVA; nx in SS (GV-PA)
- 1180 WMLX KY FLORENCE 12/29 1701-15 \$off; strong in WHAM null \$\financial mkt rpt & ad, folod by STD memories mx 'til \$off (KG-PA)
- 1200 KYOO MO BOLIVAR 1/16 1800 just caught ID, --OO, Bolivar/Springfield-net mx (didn't note which one as was too thrilled 'bout picking up new one-hi); new stns rolling in today like the melting snow (WPF-IN)
- 1260 WMJI OH CLEVELAND 1/7 2149-2236 9all ₹ROK mx, clustered ads, frequent Magic 105.7 IDs; ment of AM @ :00 only; ex: WBBG (KG-PA)
  - TN CHURCH HILL 1/15 1744 fair \$3 off annot; said atn is member of TN Assn of Broadcasters, SSB folo (GV-PA)
- 1290 WCHY GA SAVANNAH 1/9 1726-36 9all \$CSW mx back-to-back, female DJ, Y-94 IDs (KG-PA)
- 1310 WNAE PA WARREN 1/13 1714 Yad for something in Warren; pwr cut? @ 1715; log sez day only, but went off in middle of an ad, so suspect is now on @ nite or PSSA pwr; 1st-timer, but won't count yeo little info (WPF-IN)
  - WDOD TN CHATTANOOGA 1/11 1803-05 nx, promo sez Best Contests, Best Prizes, Best Music (GV-PA)
  - WITL KY MADISONVILLE 1/11 1755-1810 good YWDDD; ABC Nx folo by WITL award-winning Bluegrass nx (GV-PA)
  - WITL KY MADISONVILLE 1/15 1805-15 fair WWICH/others; KY Net Nx, The Rest of the Story, & ad for F. D. Jones Co (GV-PA)
- 1330 WMLT GA DUBLIN 1/19 1813-24 good YunID SS; AC mox, ad for Jo-Jo's Burgers & Biscuits, ment of contest wher WMLT pays your electric bill (GV-PA)
- 1370 WDEF TN CHATTANOOGA - 1/15 1745 ad for 1cl Chrysler dir, then This is AM-1370, WDEF; faded soon after: in WLTH null, WSPD/KDTH not in yet: 1st-timer here (WPF-IN)
- 1380 W/SA AL VERNON 1/18 1729 out of hospital rpt withis is Vermon Country Radio, W/SA, Vermon/Sumiton, AL→CSW mx; now that's stretching it, Sumiton is abt 60 miles away, maybe it was Sulligent? (WPF-IN)

1390 WXTC SC CHARLESTON - 12/29 2009 good in mess \$1390 WXTC Charleston in middle of (↑) BB game, or was it FB?; 1st time noted 9this call; ex: WCSC (WW-MA) WIJS TN JACKSON - 1/16 1749-54 fair->good @ times with college BKB (Memphis State @ Tulsa on the Memphis St Radio Net); ad for car dlr in Jackson, otherwise couldn't ID for sure: 1st timer in WGCI null, 9unID C&Wer, KJPW? (WPF-IN) 1420 CJMT PQ CHICOUTINI - 12/29 2018 strong WFF tlk (WW-MA) (How the heck do they pronounce Chicoutimi?-WRH) 1430 WMNC NC MORGANTON - 1/4 1700-15 way 9all MCBS Nx, local nx, sps, & radar wx (MG-PA) WHIM VA ASHLAND - 1/10 1709-18 9all FREL songs, promo for Focus on the Family, & annot of pregnancy councelling for HS girls; ex:WIVE (KG-PA) 1460 CKRB PO ST GEORGES DE BEAUCE - 12/29 2025 9FF music (WW-MA) WJYA GA BUFORD - 1/13 1733-46 9all 9GA Radio Nx, wx, personal finance advise, & Great American STD mx; IDs as Joy, WJYA (KG-PA) IA WATERLOO - 1/14 2104 good signal behind WPTR; Yclear ID (WW-MA) (Have noted 1540 KXEL these guys quite regular lately, too; may be spruced up the XR or Antenna-WRH) WECZ PA PUNXSUTAWNEY - 12/29 1625-45 %off; strong YEZL mx, ed, nx hdlines & satellite wx 0:30; QRM from WMDO 0 \$off (KG-PA) 1560 WAGL SC LANCASTER - 1/15 1737 ya last look @ the wx on Waggle Country+C&W on Carolina's Best Country (WPF-IN) 1580 WPGC MD MORNINGSIDE - 1/16 1715 \soldon off, WPGC-FM 95.5 invite, so is not on @ nite, yet (WPF-IN)

#### REPORTERS:

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## UK Plans Spectrum Auctions, 73, 20 **Radio Deregulation Drive**

Up To 500 New Commercial Stations Expected

British government officials have announced plans to auction broadcast spectrum as part of a revolutionary shakeup of commercial radio broadcasting. The move is believed to mark the first attempt anywhere in the world to sell commercial radio frequencies to the highest bidder.

said the government plans to offer owing to requirements for applilisteners across the country more choice by introducing the United Kingdom's first national commercial service with up to three frequencies being made available to the highest bidders. In addition, the government plans legislation that would deregulate broadcasting and authorize up to 500 new radio sta-

"All these services will be free of the existing constricting statutory requirements which have applied to independent local radio. They will instead be subject to light regulation designed to protect the consumer rather than direct the broadcaster," Hurd told the British House of Commons last week However, according to British industry sources, a new commercial challenger to the dominant BBC

VOICE FOR MEMPHIS AND

Home Secretary Douglas Hurd Radio One pop service is unlikely cants to provide a "diverse program service."

> The development of commercial radio broadcasting in England lags considerably behind that in the United States, with only about two dozen commercial stations serving a population in excess of 60 million Under current British law, Americans may be allowed to purchase up to 49% of any broadcast property in the UK.

FCC Chairman Dennis Patrick, as well as his predecessor Mark Fowler, have proposed limited spectrum auctions of non-broad cast frequencies in the United States as a revenue-raising measure. Trade groups such as the NAB have resisted such auctions for

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commercial broadcasters on grounds that it would not properly serve the public interest.

### Disc jockey fired after racial jokes

PITTSFIELD, Mass. (AP) - A disc jockey has been fired for making racial jokes on the air on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, WBEC-FM radio announced Thursday.

Announcer Frank C. Turck, known as "Captain Turck," was fired Tuesday, a day after he opened his live show with the remark "It's Martin Luther King Day. Let's break out the watermelon and fried chicken," according to WBEC Program Director Patrick Ryan.

Later in the program, Ryan said, Turck poked fun at the civil rights leader's "I have a dream"

"He crossed over the fine line in broadcasting as far as taste is concerned and it was the last straw," Ryan said.

The program director said Turck had been repeatedly warned about ethnic and racial comments in his three months with the station. The voge

Nancy Hardy, 2301 Pacific Avenue, Aberdeen, WA 98520

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Where IS everyone this week??? It can't be that no one out west here is DK'ing. Send a DDKD-west report and let everyone know what is being heard. Deadlines are weekly through Pebruary, and March 12 & 26.

#### MIDDAY TO MIDNIGHT

BURNS - 1/6 1955-2000 excellent with country music, ID at 1230 KZZR OR 2000 by woman & into ABC-I News. Only second time heard. (NH) 1340

NAMPA-BOISE - 1/6 2035 oldie followed by ID, good with local KXRO-1320 slop nulled. New. (NH-WA) ABERDEEN - 1/15 2330 completely silent until sometime 1/22,

1450 KAYO WA hit by lightning. Not noticed by us until written up in local paper 1/191 (BH-WA)

#### MIDNIGHT TO MIDDAY

1460 KWFN CA SANTA ROSA - 1/22 1053 atop KMMX, item about possible strike by Golden Gate Transit, "on W-F-N," two oldies, W-F-N bumper sticker promo, oldie instrumental, KWFN legal ID & into UPI News 1100. "W-F-N" slogan might be "W-Fun," hard to tell from tape playback. Local KAYO-1450 off. Ex-KQTE, format change from Music of Your Life. (BH-WA)

The "hardy" reporters:

BH-WA/Bill Hardy, Aberdeen, WA/FRG-7, Radio West loop NH-WA/Nancy Hardy, Aberdeen, WA/PRG-7, Radio West loop

# Slain WTEL chief

By Bridgett M. Davis and Andrew Hussie

The general manager of radio station WTEL-AM in Cheltenham Township, whose body was found Sunday afternoon in his second-floor office. had been dead three days, police said yesterday.

Thomas W. Holtkamp, St., of Jenkintown, was probably killed New Year's morning, judging from the condition of the body, said Chelten-ham police Lt. Robert C. Krauser.

Raul Delgado, 32, sales manager and program director for the station at 1349 Cheltenham Ave., said he had been searching for Holtkamp since-Saturday morning, when the general manager failed to pick up relatives who had arrived at Philadelphia International Airport from Detroit.

Delgado said police found the body about 4:45 p.m. Sunday after one of the station's disc jockeys called him to say he suspected that a body was lying on the floor of Holtkamp's locked office.

"He looked under the crack of the door and saw a shadow, and he called me and I called police," Delgado said yesterday. Delgado said he had driven Holtkamp's brother and sister, who had flown in from Detroit, to the station for interviews with Cheltenham detectives.

The station had been operating throughout the weekend, with disc jockeys on the air from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. each day, according to Rene foledo, the station's news director. The studio is at the rear of the building at a distance from Holtkamp's office.

Police found Holtkamp's body lying face-up in a pool of blood. He had received several blows to the head. and there was evidence of a struggle, was dead 3 days lieved that robbery was the motive for the slaying. They have declined to say whether they believe Holtkamp was killed by someone who

> Investigators are searching for Holtkamp's 1985 Lincoln Continental, which was stolen along with other items they declined to identify.

knew him or who had access to the

The car was described as a tan and gray four-door sedan with license plate number NUE-298.

Born in Detroit, Holtkamp, a bachelor who had once studied for the priesthood, had worked for the station for 14 months. He lived at the Beaver Hill South Apartments in Jenkintown.

Delgado, who has worked at the station 25 years, said Holtkamp was active in the Hispanic community.

"You couldn't meet any nicer person than him. He was more of a friend than a boss to us," said Delgado. "Everyone at the radio station was shocked."

The station, 860-AM, has specialized in ethnic programming for 60

Montgomery County and Cheltenham Township detectives are conducting a joint investigation.

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ANTIGUA St John's good on 1/10 1700-1730 w/songs by Frank Sinatra. This was heard at Nizao, some 42 kms southwest of Santo Domingo by nulling out RTVD, (Obijo)

NICARAGUA R. Sandino x1nt w/live futbol o/WSB 0240 1/20. (Renfrew) COLOMBIA R. Almirante heard u/WBBM and Ecos del Torbe with local ads and 780

local and CARACOL IDs 0130 1/20. (Renfrew)

PUERTO RICO WABA San Juan as a local station at Nizao at 0818 on 1/10, ID'ing as "Super Ochenticinco" (Super 85). (Objio)

COLOMBIA Mar Caribe, Barranquilla, also from Nizao at 1824 on 1/10, as a 870 local stn in this place. (Objio)

PUERTO RICO R. Voz. WBOZ Sabana Grande, very good with pop mx, ID at 880 1829 on 1/18, (Objio)

NETHERLANDS ANTILLES R. 9-60 (Radio Nueva Sesenta), Oranjestad, Aruba. 960 ID this way at 1905, they did not say Radio Victoria as it has been named, I don't know if they have changed name. With religious programs in SS, regularly in EE. Very good on 1/10. (Objio)

1035 PORTUGAL Lisbon R. Comercial 0110 1/2 PP talk then mx, very weak. (Purdue)

1040 CUBA R. Moscow in EE with news and features 2305-2345 1/19. Poor u/WHO. (Renfrew)

1120 PUERTO RICO ath heard IDing as La Gran W. I did not hear any other ID but I think it must be the one in Hatillo as their call letters are WMSW, with pop mx, also heard on 1/10 in the afternoon. (Objio)

1315 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC an explanation to readers of WRTH 88: I reported the stn on this frequency - R. Bani on the new freq of 810 as they were assigned this new freq and the owner told me that the change was to be done on Nov. 21 but so far they haven't made the change, so they are still here, (Objio)

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC La Voz de la Romana, heard on this frequency on 1/10 1545 moved from 1540, also at Nizao. (Objio)

1560 HAITI La voix du Sud, this seems to be a new stn, it ID this way on 1/10 in FF, they in SS there came an ID as La Voz de la Esperanza (The Voice of Hope) but I think this is a recorded religious program usually played in religious stations. The ID was weak but understandable in the middle of, or between 1550 R. Enriquillo and 1565 R. Amanecer (this one avoiding QRM from Turks and Caicos too strong for them in 1570). No location was heard but probably Aux Cayes as this city is the capital city of the department du Sud. (Objio)

Ronald Purdue - Byron, MN FRG8800, 130' LW, tuner Jim Renfrew - Rochester, NY HQ150, SM1

### NBC Seeks to Sell Entire Radio Group: 'Limited Number' of Firms Are in Talks

By DENNIS KNEALE Staff Reporter of THE WALL STREET JOURNAL

NEW YORK-General Electric Co.'s National Broadcasting Co. unit said it is in preliminary talks with "a limited number of companies" to sell its entire radio group, the business on which NBC was

The sale of NBC's radio group would take it out of a business it has been in since the company's formation in 1926. The sale would be a switch of strategy for NBC, which had first said it would "reconfigure" its radio business by selling some stations and purchasing others.

NBC's radio group includes a total of eight stations. The company soon will close on the previously announced \$13 million sale of WMAQ-AM in Chicago, Currently, NBC is in separate talks with a potential buyer about the sale of WKYS-FM in Washington, said Randall D. Bongarten, president of NBC's radio division. Consultants say that station is NBC's single most

But NBC, acquired with its parent RCA Corp. by General Electric in 1986, had been expected to hold onto at least some of its six other stations-two in New York, two in San Francisco, one in Boston and an FM station in Chicago.

NBC's Mr. Bongarten wouldn't disclose the few prospective buyers involved in the talks, in which NBC is represented by Kidder, Peabody & Co. He said "there isn't a firm price tag."

But radio consultant Robert Mounty of Mounty Communications, who had been the NBC radio group's No. 2 executive until last year, estimated the network could get \$150 million for seven of NBC's eight stations. For WKYS-FM in Washington, Mr. Mounty believes the network could receive an additional \$45 million.

Disposing of NBC's old-line radio business would be in keeping with the oftstated strategy of General Electric Chairman Jack F. Welch, who has said the company should remain only in businesses in pany should remain only which if can be a No. 1 or No. 2 player Fix Usac

Play ball: Detroit radio station WCSX is initiating a petition drive to save Tiger Stadium — complete with a song, "Big Checkered Cab," sung

to the tune of "Big Yellow Taxi" by Joni Mitchell. "Baseball just wouldn't be baseball in Detroit if it wasn't. played in Tiger Stadium," said general man-ager Tom Bender in announcing the drive, which begins Monday.

Tom Bander

But perhaps the station song says it best: "We've seen Vernor's, Stroh's and Olympia Stadium crumble

And it'll break our hearts if you mess with Michigan & Trumbull."



Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1988 The Philadelphia Inquirer VIA TONY FITCHERBOT

Thomas W. Holtkamp

Body found in radio station

they said. An autopsy at Abington

Memorial Hospital showed that he

died from strangulation and multi-

ple injuries to the head, according to

Montgomery County Deputy Coroner

Cheltenham Detective Jacob Ger-

hart said yesterday that police had

not yet determined whether the

doors to the station were locked Fri-

day morning, when the slaying prob-

ably occurred. The doors are nor-

mally kept locked, news director

Cheltenham police said they be-

Ken Blewitt

Toledo said.

### MUSINGS

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Yeah ... I know, I know, only three Musings this week. I should check with the mailman to see if he's holding back, right?

Well, should you tear yourself away from tonight's intensive DX session, your next deadline will be Feb. 20, for your DX or other radio memories, followed by Feb. 27 and offerings from former/present NRC officers/editors. I'm really looking forward to that one; I'd like to hear from those who served faithfully and then retired quietly. Well, for now, let's get on with it!

#### Rambling and Scrambling

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I agree with Mike Hardester that NRC and IRCA members do not send "impolite" reception reports. In fact, I believe it is within the bounds of both clubs to discharge any member so doing! (Which I hope they've done -pls) Therefore I, too, feel it unnecessary to ask members to send a "polite" report.

Wendell Ford asks if the listing CKO, Pointe Claire PQ on 1470 is a typo. Not at all it is currently, at least, the only station in the CKO all-news network on AM. They bought out the facilities of old CFOX many years ago. They're heard here from time to time in the wee hours. Chris Cuomo's listing of CFIX-960 should be CFFX, "Sea-Fox", they call themselves, as old CFOX-1470 used to do. I believe Greg Coniglio's 1530 "Shadow Traffic" station would be either WDJZ-CT or WJDM-NJ, as "Shadow Traffic" is carried by many stations in the NY-NJ-CT area.

I enjoyed Tony Fitzherbert's profile of WCNW-OH, especially since many years ago, in the late '30's, old WCNW was located five blocks from my home in Brooklyn, NY, on Flatbush Avenue - 'twas the first radio station over which I spoke! They were 250/100 on 1500 kc/s then, sharing time with WWRL. They later became WLIB and moved to 1190 - at my suggestion, I might add, but with no reuneration or even a "thank you for the suggestion." At the time, WWRL was fighting for unlimited time and were nit-picking for alleged violations by WCNW hoping to get their license revoked - they claimed WCNW wasn't sticking to their assigned 250 w daytime power but were actually running 272 w! So I suggested to WCNW to apply for the then-free spot of 1190, right after the reallocation took place in March of 1941. They did. (You deserve a medal for that deed plus for giving away a DX'able frequency, Ernie! -pls)

There jjust has to be a story behind the use of "6W" for John Wilkins in DDXD-West - let us in on it, please? Edwin Headley's FF on 810 for caw has to be CJVA-NB which seems to be in FF 100% of the time. I vaguely recall the days of Fr. Coughlin on radio - he spoke on Sunday afternoons around 1930 or so - I say vaguely because my father wouldn't let me listen to him, hi!

I have a new plague here to ruin twilight and evening DX'ing. I believe it is being cause by a fluorescent light in the house next door where a man of about 92 lives alone. It goes on about a half-hour before dark and stays on till he goes to bed. I'm still trying to figure out how to approach him about my problem - he's kind of grouchy and unreasonable. I hope I never get like that! (I feel like 92 and get grouchy and unreasonable every day after my fifth hour class, Ernie! -pls) Forward - March!

#### Pete Kemp, KZ1Z - P. O. Box 73 - Bethel, CT 06801

Greetings all ... Parker W. Fennelly, known for many years as Titus Moody on Radio's Fred Show, and most recently as the bespectacled Yankee spokesperson for Pepperidge Farms baked goods, has died at the age of 96. He had been residing in Quaker Hill, CT ... Dick Bartley's Solid Gold syndicated show has moved from United Stations Radio Networks to Westwood One Radio Networks .. WFAN's initial results in he ratings have been disappointing. The listenership has dropped from WHN's 2.8 last spring, 2.3 during the summer, and currently 1.2. All-sports programming doesn't seem to be working. Maybe this new format will take time to develop. It certainly would help if the sports teams in the Big Apple were having more productive seasons ... It is also interesting to note that WYNY-FM, which switched to caw at the same time, went up from a 1.6 share to a 2.7 share in the book ... The FCC has to give preference in awarding lienses to minorities and women's groups, so says the U.S. Court of Appeals, thus short-circuiting the lottery tiebreaker procedures ... Gary Dee has departed WMCA to return to Cleveland, this time on WWWE. He had formerly been heard on WHK and WERE ... WJBR in Wilmington, DE is now operating fulltime ... Former KOVR-TV news anchor George Redding has joined KKSA-AM ... WRKO has edged out WBZ as the top AM'er in Boston, followed by AM'ers WEEI, WHDH, WILD, WMEX, and WSSH ... Westwood One Radio Networks is quite pleased, having won the rights to airing "The Lost Lennon Tapes". A weekly one-hour show will be aired, culled from hundreds of hours of John Lennon's never-before heard music and interviews ... Numbers-types should note that Canada has 422 AM radio stations, 71 of which are CBC-owned and operated outlets. Also included in the breakdown are 309 independent stations, 18 CBC indie affiliates, 13 school stations, 6 ethnic staions, 4 community outlets, 1 native and 1 remote community outlet ... The Republic of Ireland currently has pending in their congress legislation to grant licenses to 225 independent radio stations. Some provisions include: 100 stations with an 8- to 10-mile range, called community stations, and 100 stations with a 2- to 5-mile range, called neighborhood stations. Opportunities will also be made for the estimated 70 currently operating pirate stations to apply for licenses. The government would allow currente pirates to operate until approximately two weeks before the switch is to occur. Apprehended pirates operating after the cutoff would be fined \$60,000 and/or 2 years in jail ... so much for now.

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I am back in college, so no DX lately. Last month, I received a new station, WJOR-1040 St. Joseph, TN, and they sent me a v/l. They serve N. AL with gospel and caw and they run 2,500 w. from SRS to SSS.

Radio and Records had a short article about a new book about Mexican radio. The book is entitled Border Radio and is by Gene Fowler and Bill Crawford. It can be had for \$18.95 from Texas Monthly Press - Box 1569 - Austin, TX 78765, phone (512) 476-7085. Although not having a copy of this book, the article stated that it gives the histories and programming of the Mexican border stations in the good ole days I ordered the book and will comment on it after I read it. The publisher puts out an excellent, in-depth magazine called Texas Monthly, and it is about all things colorful in the Big Ole State of Texas. Local WHIE-1320 expanded their hours until 0011 with c&w and on Sun. eves BBo (?? -pls) So goodby 1320 forever.

# Newsman in trouble for interview remarks

NEW YORK (AP) — A news anchorman apologized to television viewers after he was suspended for a combative interview in which he told a formerly homeless woman she would probably be dead if the city hadn't forced her into a hospital.

John Roland told viewers in a taped apology aired Wednesday by WNYW-IV that "for the first time in 23 years on the air, I let emotion replace the objectivity that I am known for. For that I am deeply sorry." Roland conducted the interview on the station's "10 O'clock News" Tuesday night with Joyce Brown, who was released earlier that day after 84 days in the psychiatric wing at Bellevue Hospital Center.

Miss Brown was the first person forced into a hospital under a city program to treat the mentally ill homeless, but was released after a judge ruled doctors could not force her to take medication.

Roland, an anchorman with the station since 1972, said during the eight-minute interview: "You say that the only thing that was wrong with you was that you were homeless. I walked by you almost every day. You used to talk to yourself.

"You used to run out on Second Avenue in front of cars. ... You would defecate on the sidewalk. You're saying the only thing wrong with you was you were horneless?"

Miss Brown, hospitalized against her will after living near a heating vent on 65th Street and Scoond Avenue, replied, "The grason why I urinated on the sidewalk was because I had nowhere to no."

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stement released by the axid Rolland had been because "this emotions ed over objectivity."

