



# DX NEWS

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### CPC Calendar ...

Date	Station	From/To (EST)
Feb 4	KBYR-700	4:00/4:30 AM
Feb 10	WMYM-1570	6:30/6:40 AM
Feb 11	WABS-780	12:00/1:00 AM
Feb. 11	KOTZ-720	4:01/5:00 AM
Feb. 16	WLIM-1580	4:45/5:15 AM
Feb. 18	KARY-1310	7:00/7:30 AM
Feb. 25	KUAI-720	5:30/6:00 AM
Mar. 23	KTGG-1540	4:30/5:00 AM

**KBYR-700**, P.O. BOX 102200, Anchorage, AK 99510 will conduct a special DX TEST on Monday morning, February 4, 1991 from 0400-0430 EST. This test will include Morse code ID's. Our thanks to Mr. A. G. Hiebert, Chairman/CEO for this test. Arranged by the Colorado CPC Machine for the National Radio Club.

**WMYM-1570**, BOX 1027, Minocqua, WI 54548 will conduct a special DX TEST on Sunday morning, February 10, 1991 from 0630-0640 EST. This test will include Morse code ID's. Our thanks to Mr. Pete Rondello, VP/GM/CE. Arranged by the Colorado CPC Machine for the National Radio Club.

**WABS-780**, 5545 Lee Highway, Arlington, VA 22207 will conduct a special DX TEST on Monday morning, February 11, 1991 between 0000-0100 EST. This test will include Morse code ID's. Our thanks to Mr. Bill Ashley, Chief Engineer. Arranged by the Colorado CPC Machine for the National Radio Club.

**KOTZ-720**, P.O. BOX 78, Kotzebue, AK 99752 will conduct a special DX TEST on Monday morning, February 11, 1991 from 0401-0500 EST. This test will consist of tones, Native American and Modern music. Our thanks to Mr. Pierre A. Lonewolf, Chief Engineer for this test. Arranged by the Colorado CPC Machine for the National Radio Club.

**WLIM-1580**, Woodside Ave. Patchogue, NY 11772 will conduct a special DX TEST on Saturday morning February 16, 1991 between 0445-0515 EST. This test will include Morse code ID's.

Our thanks to Mr. George Drake, Vice President. Arranged by the Colorado CPC Machine for the National Radio Club.

**KARY-1310**, BOX 1310, Prosser, WA 99350 will conduct a special DX TEST on Monday morning, February 18, 1991 between 0700-0730 EST. This test will include Morse code ID's. Our thanks to Mr. Tony Imus. Arranged by the Colorado CPC Machine for the National Radio Club.

**KUAI-720**, P.O. BOX 720, Eleele, Kauai, HI 96705 will conduct a special DX TEST on Monday morning, February 25, 1991 from 0530-0600 EST. This test will include Morse code ID's. Our thanks to Mr. Roger D. Rogelstad, Chief Operator for this test. Arranged by the Colorado CPC Machine for the National Radio Club.

**KTGG-1540**, Spring Arbor College, Spring Arbor, MI 49283 will conduct a Special DX TEST on Saturday morning March 23, 1991 from 0430-0500 EST. Details to follow. Our thanks to Mr. Edmond R. Trombley Chief Engineer for this test. Arranged by the Colorado CPC Machine for the National Radio Club.

**They joined ...** Stephen V. Biro, Ft. Lee, NJ; Dave Haller, Cincinnati, OH; Earl T. Higgins, St. Louis, MO (rejoins); William Nordmark, Delton, MI; James Feasel, Pataskala, OH; Thomas Galbraith, Berwyn, IL; Mike D. Jeziorski, Detroit, MI; Steven Rogovich, Virginia Beach, VA.

### DX Time Machine

#### From the Pages of DX News

50 years ago ... from the Feb. 1, 1941 *DXN*: Nine-teen DX Tests were listed, including 1 from Guatemala on 1310 kc. and 6190 kc. and two from Cuba ... "My Ten Years of DX'ing" by Bob Botzum, Reading, PA, listed his best verified catch as HIH-1390, 15 w.

25 years ago ... from the Feb. 5, 1966 *DXN*: Wes Boyd, Youngstown, OH, listed his latest veries as CFRA-580, WOOK-1340, WRUN-1150, WKAZ-950, and WORK-1350.

10 years ago ... from the Feb. 9, 1981 *DXN*: The 5th Edition of the NRC Log was still available for \$4.00 ... HQ was awaiting a postage increase.

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# AM Switch

**Jerry Starr**

 c/o WHOT Radio  
 4040 Simon Road  
 Youngstown, OH 44512-1320

*Status changes in AM stations, supplied by the FCC and NRC members*

 CALL LETTER CHANGES/APPLICATIONS/GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS  
 None

**APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES**

900 WILC MD Laurel: reduce day power to 1900 watts

**GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES**

 670 KPVA HI Hilo: powers to 50000/50000, antenna to U2  
 900 WODY VA Bassett: day power to 2000 watts  
 1220 KTSJ CA Pomona: day power to 930 watts  
 1470 WQSN MI Kalamazoo: day power to 900 watts  
 1590 WDBL TN Springfield: reduce power to 710 watts

**OTHERNESS**

 570 CBNK NF Cartwright: station not listed in Log: 40/40 U1  
 640 CBIA NWT Gjoa Haven: not listed in Log: 40/40 U1 (for the curious it's pronounced Joe Haven)  
 740 CBNZ NF Nain: not listed in Log: 40/40 U1  
 1110 WZAM VA Norfolk: station has been slapped with a large fine for numerous technical violations by the FCC, one of which was: operation after sunset for several hours with an unmodulated carrier! How many times have we, as DXers, noted this happening at a lot of daytime stations  
 1240 KJOP CA Lemoore: silent station is back ON THE AIR, they returned 1-11 with Spanish programming  
 CBS14 NF Labrador City: not listed in Log: 1000/1000 U1  
 1250 WKBR NH Manchester: station went SILENT 1-14-91, according to general manager Michael Galer the ownership decided to shut it down after negotiations with a potential buyer failed.  
 1300 KBCN AK Fairbanks: silent station has new ownership and can be expected to return to the air  
 1340 CKHV NF Goose Bay: not in Log: 1000/1000 U1  
 1490 CBDQ NF Labrador City: not in Log: 1000/1000 U1

THANKS: HOWARD KEMP, EUGENE HINTON, M STREET JOURNAL and BRIAN VERNON who spotted the missing Labrador stations listed above and JOE SMITH of the C.B.C. who confirmed their facilities!

 73 and Good DX, *Jerry & BKF* Jerry Starr & Buffalo K. Fooman

## The Challenging Crystal Set

For hobbyists demanding the ultimate DX challenge, Ray Cole's publication detailing step-by-step procedures in building a crystal set is for you! Only \$3.00 ... order from the Publications Center.

# Domestic DX Digest - East

**William Hale**

 734 Burlison  
 San Marcos, TX 78666

*DX Catches in the Eastern U. S. and Canada, with 24-hr. ELT*
**MEDIUM WAVE AM BINGS**

- Although we reported that the CBC was facing some cutbacks (see Issue 12), Charles Reh reports that the reductions only affect TV stations. No radio services are to be cut back except for a possible elimination of Radio Canada International (the SW service). Yet Morris Sorensen reported last week of the demise of CBO and CBOF. Was their move to the FM band announced before this latest report? Keep it right here. Our Band of Good Guys will keep you posted.
- Don Trelford reports getting a QSL in from WTZQ Hendersonville, NC with a note from the station president that his logging was correct, and that they were on regular night power of 21 watts. And his report from Scarborough is the most distant report they've received for nighttime DX!
- Can't remember the last time Bruce Conti graced these pages with a DX report, but we're glad to have him back!

**SPECIAL**

- 820 WPNT IL CHICAGO - noted off the air since 1/3; owner had been simulcasting with FM's *Music of the 80s and today* format, but decided AM wasn't worth it (KDF-IL)
- 820 WPNT IL CHICAGO - 1/8 hrd with OC and has been on for over 2 hours without IDing even once; carrier cut at 1834, again without an ID (RK-IL)
- [Okay, Okay! Unless this WPNT guy comes back from the dead, he's done for in this column! - Ed.]
- 970 WAKE? IN VALPARAISO - see 970 in UNIDS; this fellow may have moved here [Ed.]
- 1430 WRTH MO ST. LOUIS - 1/11 0036 noted with MoYL mx, these new calls, and *Worth* IDs (KDF-IL)
- 1450 WBNP MA NEWBURYPORT - 1/1 back to these CLS as of today; ex: WNCG/WCEA (SM-MA)
- 1480 WSDS MI YPSILANTI - 12/24 0530 sign-on with slow vocal SSB; Log sez 0600 sign-on (JF-ON)
- 1560 WRDJ AL DALEVILLE - 1/8 1800 with *WRDJ Daleville Alabama* legal ID, then nothing; unsure if this was a quickie sign-off or if they went to PSSA; incorrectly listed in *Log* and *AM Radio Station Maps* as Dadeville; relocate 1560 #2 in the *Maps* book to the SE corner of the state (REH-ON) [Who knows how long the *Log* has been carrying this as "Dadeville"?!?! As long as I've been doing DDXD-B this is the 1st report of the station. And there is a Dadeville, Alabama, too! Thanks, Chuck. -Ed.]

**UNIDS AND UNID HELP**

- 560 WJLS WV BECKLEY - possibly FV-OH's unID in Issue 12; I believe they are now 100% REL (REH-OH)
- 600 KTBB TX TYLER - see *1600 Hours to Midnight* section (REH-ON)
- 610 CFLO PQ MONT-LAURIER - may be RF-OH's 12/3 unID; they are 24hr and | CKAC-730 overnight (REH-ON)
- 800 WLAD CT DANBURY and CJAD PQ MONTREAL have both been heard with *Larry King* during CKLW's SPs; one of these may be KG-PA's 11/26 unID (Issue 12) (REH-ON)
- 900 CHA? ? - 1/8 1729 fair in WLS slop w/MoYL-type mx & ID as *AM 900 CHA?*; looping N/S; does anybody know if the CP for Dryden, ON is on yet? (RK-IL)
- 970 WAKE? IN - 1/14 0122 continuous oldies, interspersed with VID which sounded like *Wake 970*; is this WAKE, Valparaiso, IN, now on this channel? logged while awaiting start of KFEL DX Test (PC-VA)
- 1130 B-96 ? - re BP-NC's *B-96* unID (Issue 12)...as far as I can determine, only two AMs on 1130 have '96 FMs: WRRRL-WV and WQFX-MS (both at 96.7); both AMs are daytimers and shouldn't have been on at the time Bill hrd this (unless someone forgot to pull the plug); WQFX comes closest with a UC format but their slogan is shown as *Foxy-96* in the *FM Atlas* (REH-ON)
- 1210 KGYN OK GUYMON - carries IRN; possibly MH-NE's 12/16 unID; however, his second loop bearing of E-W doesn't agree with Oklahoma, so maybe IRN has a second affiliate on 1210 (REH-ON)
- 1310 UNID ? - 1/9 2315-0005 with *Sports Byline* and at 0000 *You are listening to —? NBA Radio*, gave time as *2 minutes to midnight*, so is not WIBA (maybe WORC?) (DT-ON)
- 1470 UNID ? - 12/23 1730 unID with *Giant* Football Network; WTKO? (JF-ON)



- UNID 77 - 1/12 0015 someone with Stardust, under WSRO; does WMMW or WKKW carry Stardust? (BC-NH)
- 1560 WCDN OH CHARDON - definitely KG-PA's unID of 11/12 (Issue 12); was noted here at the same time using feed from SMN's Pure Gold for ET (REH-ON)
- 1590 UNID 77 - 1/10 0400 over/under WAKR & jumble with SS; no ID heard (SM-MA)

### DX AND EQUIPMENT TESTS

- 830 KUYO WY EVANSVILLE - 1/4 1859:30 poor under WCCO w/EZL mx & 2 IDs hrd during sign-off (RK-IL)
- 970 KFEL CO PUEBLO - 1/14 0200 no joy; too many other stations, even with WWSW nulled (PC-VA)

### TIS, NDBs & OTHER STUFF

- 521 ORC IA ORANGE CITY - 1/4 0217 navigational beacon; good with GF-OH nulled (REH-ON)
- TO KS TOPEKA - 1/4 0229 navigational beacon; poor during brief fade of ORC-IA with GF-OH nulled (REH-ON)
- 526 AJG IL MOUNT CARMEL - 1/4 0255 navigational beacon; very weak during long fade of normally dominant OJ-KS (REH-ON)
- 1698 QYV PA DONORA - 12/29 0235-0300 inaudible - weak; mEDfer beacon IDs and MSG; less than 1 watt (per call to station) (HH-MD2) [What's a "mEDfer" beacon? -Ed.] (Medium Frequency Experimental Beacon, operated by a hobbyist just above or below the MW broadcast band -pls)

### MIDNIGHT TO 0800 HOURS ELT

- 560 CJKL ON KIRKLAND LAKE - 1/8 0010-0020 Global Satellite Network show, 5:07 [7 - Ed.] ad for hotel discount book at Budget Rent-a-Car, promo for CJKL Winter Carnival, want girls for princess contest; fair, no sign of CFOS (DT-ON)
- 570 KLIF TX DALLAS - 1/7 0300 poor with full ID (RK-IL)
- CJEM NB EDMUNDSTON - 1/7 0400 fair - good w/light mx, FF ID, nx in FF; ID did not sound like CJEM, so they must relay another station; my French isn't good enough to decipher the ID I have; haven't heard this one in years (REH-ON)
- 660 KTNN AZ WINDOW ROCK - 1/7 0105-0140 poor - fair under WFAN with IRN pgm, several K7NN IDs and station promos (KDF-IL)
- 740 CHCM NF MARYSTOWN - 1/5 0530 topping channel (SM-MA)
- 770 KKOB NM ALBUQUERQUE - 1/4 0228 poor with Larry King, ad, SID (RK-IL)
- 800 CJAD PQ MONTREAL - 1/6 0736 good with wx report for Canada & U.S., Montreal; CJAD ID in CKJS null (SA-MB)
- 930 WAUR IL SANDWICH - 12/23 0314 briefly atop with promo for Shadow Traffic weekday mornings on WAUR - OLD (JF-ON)
- KKIN MN AITKEN - 12/23 0300 just caught ID and into unID network news; think this one was the one later with C&W mx (JF-ON)
- 940 WCSW WI SHELL RIVER - 1/6 0750 fair with local anncet for Cumberland, wx, local ads for Shell River; new for WI #75 (SA-MB)
- 960 CFAC AB CALGARY - 1/4 0556 on top with 960 CFAC ID, ad (RK-IL)
- 990 KRKS CO DENVER - 1/5 0530 good with 9-9-0 on your dial, KRKS Denver, local ad, wx, TC - REL mx; faded at 0535 (SA-MB)
- 1070 WHYZ SC GREENVILLE - 1/11 0029 very good signal over WTSO with UC mx, ads, ID (KDF-IL)
- 1140 CISS AB CALGARY - 1/6 0200 poor with ID under WRVA/KSOO (RK-IL)
- 1160 WPGV MD FUNKSTOWN - 12/31 0623-0718 took over the channel when VSB3 faded; in and out, but fine report; plenty of C&W mx and IDs plus a few ads; QRM from WYNS, VSB3, & unID stns; called stn for address as not in NRC Log...it's 752 Robin Wood Drive, Hagerstown, MD 21740 (HH-MD1)
- 1190 KRDS AZ TOLLESON - 1/7 0038 with AM-FM ID calling itself Eagle; I have no FM listing for this one (RK-IL) [Since Tolleson is a suburb of Phoenix, maybe they hooked up with one of the area's FMers? -Ed.]
- KYII TX DALLAS - 1/6 0345 fair with CNN Headline Nx & anncet that people looking for KLIF should tune to 570 (RK-IL)
- KYII TX DALLAS - 1/19 0758-0810 with Dallas-Fort Worth mentions, ID and into CNN Headline News; new here due to tremendous WOAI adjacent-channel QRM [Ed.-TX]
- 1240 WLLV KY LOUISVILLE - 1/5 0201 fair in WEDC null with UC + ID (RK-IL)
- 1420 WADX GA TRENTON - 1/6 0559 fair with SSB and sign-on (KDF-IL)
- WPLY WI PLYMOUTH - 1/6 0659 good with sign-on; still using these CLs (KDF-IL)
- 1430 WFXP IN INDIANAPOLIS - 1/4 0421 good with non-ID as Classic Rock 103.3, The Fox; ROK mx (RK-IL)

- 1480 WZRC NY NEW YORK - 1/10 0300 fighting with WHBC & CHR D, and Sun Network (SM-MA)
- 1490 WLPA PA LANCASTER - 1/5 0559 only got ID (JF-ON)
- WLFN WI LA CROSSE - 12/22 0516 on top at times with OLD, IDs; ex:WLXR (JF-ON)

### 0800 TO 1600 HOURS ELT

- 1240 KODY NE NORTH PLATTE - 12/30 0914 poor with KODY ID by woman in a mess under KDLR; new for NE #34 (SA-MB)
- 1320 KSIV MO CLAYTON - 1/6 0920 fair with list of upcoming REL & GOS pgm; KSTV ID by woman; new for MO #49 (SA-MB)
- 1340 KNHN KS KANSAS CITY - 1/6 0815 fair with CNN News & sports; 1st time hrd as KNHN; ex:KFKF; KS #27 (SA-MB)
- 1430 KCLK WA ASOTIN - 1/1 0900 poor with ID for KCLK Clarkston, 94.1 and 1430; mixing with KLO and KTYN; new for WA #23 (SA-MB)
- 1510 KIDZ MO INDEPENDENCE - 1/14 0901 ID as KIDZ Independence-Kansas City, UCJAZ, Happy Birthday, Eva Hamilton, 0809 Rev. Fuzzy Thompson for Martin Luther King 10-Day Celebration (JB-TX)
- 1550 WLII WI MADISON - 1/6 0851 fair w/C&W mx, Q-106 IDs | Fm still; WI #76 (SA-MB)

### 1600 TO 2400 HOURS ELT

- 580 CHLC PQ BAIE COMEAU - 12/29 2227-2310 good, atop channel much of time, all in FF; POP mx, ads, plenty of sports; most of QRM from WHP (HH-MD1)
- 600 KTBB TX TYLER - 1/8 1840 with sports TLK - ad cluster for The Federal Jobs Digest, Matthew Brown's Sporting Goods Store at 124 Shelley Drive in Tyler (Your leader in team sports in East Texas) and The Inventor's Kit; after KTBB News Talk 60 call ID, gave a phone # with a 903 area code which didn't fit Texas or anywhere else for that matter; a call to 214 directory assistance sez Tyler is now in the recently added 903 area; mystery solved; also, this may be Rick Dau's unID (Issue 11); they were still audible well after their LSS with the East Texas News even tho night pattern sez they put zero watts in this direction, may be operating on day pattern at night for some reason; TX #165 (REH-ON)
- 640 WFNC NC PAYETTEVILLE - 1/12 1718 strong with promos for Talknet, The Dolans, and a Tarheels game; Full Service 640, then - CHR mx (HJH-PA)
- WCRV TN COLLIERSVILLE - 1/11 2228 REL; ad with directions for ordering a book from Manitoba with reminder Don't forget to say you heard this on WCRV; promo for 1991 Day of Prayer on May 2nd; up from noise for 2-3 minutes (JB-TX)
- 790 WWKY KY LOUISVILLE - 1/12 1746 fair signal with AM Stereo 790 WKY ID and slogan Traditional American Country the Way You Like It - Back to Back (HJH-PA)
- 800 KQAD MN LUVERNE - 12/30 1658 poor with Vikings FB, ID O.T.H. (Hub? -Ed.); MN #102 (SA-MB)
- WSVS VA CREWE - 1/12 1741 in with C&W mx and 104.7 FM IDs, with CKLW nulled (HJH-PA)
- 890 KQLX ND LISBON - 12/22 1726 fair in WLS null with Christmas mx, road report and wx, mentioning a storm warning (JF-ON)
- 930 WZNN NH ROCHESTER - 1/5 2027-2103 dominating the channel - usually well over nulled WBen and maybe other station QRM at times WPM; All News 930; CNN Nx plus local nx, wx and ads (HH-MD1)
- 950 CKBB ON BARRIE - 1/8 2028-2040 light ROK, apply for Summer parks Dept. job at City Hall, AM 950 and 1400; Eddie Money number, ad for Nutri-System; poor (DT-ON)
- 1040 CFZZ PQ MONTREAL - 12/22 1701-1715 good, over/under WHO with sports report in FF, ID; Bon Jovi song; ex:CHRS (JF-ON)
- CFZZ PQ MONTREAL - 12/28 1741-1806 XLNT signal, all in FF; POP mx, news, etc; often hrd; another try for QSL (HH-MD2) [Correct CLs inserted, Hank -Ed.]
- 1180 WFGN SC GAFFNEY - 1/3 1703 fair at times under WHAM with local news mentioning Kings Mountain, Gastonia, and Dallas, NC (JF-ON)
- WHJM TN KNOXVILLE - 1/13 1700 ranging from weak to loud with 30 minute pgm of patriotic GOS mx; ID AM 1180 WHJM; needed one (HJH-PA)
- 1200 WKOX MA FRAMINGHAM - 1/2 1700-1710 mx, mx, summary of coming pgms, traffic report, local nx, WKOX ment several times; poor - medium poor; all alone on frequency (DT-ON)
- 1230 WESX MA SALEM - 1/9 1847-1858 nx, sports, talk, WESX; over/under WENY (DT-ON)
- WENY NY ELMIRA - 1/9 1847-1900 talk show, WENY; poor, over/under WESX (not enough for a report) (DT-ON)
- 1240 WCBY MI CHEYBOYGAN - 1/1 2137-2255 OLD, NOS, Doris Day, piano boogie; finally at 2255 Your station for memories, WCBY; poor, under WGBB & unID (DT-ON)





- WGBB** NY FREEPORT - 1/1 2137-2250 nx, sports talk, talk, woman anncr *WGBB*, poor, over/under WCBY & unID (DT-ON)
- WNBZ** NY SARANAC LAKE - 1/9 1907-1915 C&W, 1240 *WNBZ*, ad for sale, sounded like a charity; poor, over/under WSKI (DT-ON)
- WSKI** VT MONTPELIER - 1/9 1907-1936 talk show, woman host, break at 1935 1240 *WSKI*; poor, under/over WNBZ (DT-ON)
- 1260 WNRK** DE NEWARK - 1/4 1651 weak in mess with promo for WNRK Weather and road information for New Castle County, south Chester County, and northern MD; sorry, *Dave*, not enough for a report (JF-ON)
- WNDE** IN INDIANAPOLIS - 1/11 1756 with sports talk mixing with WCRT and oldies; local ads, then - *The High School Basketball Game of the Week* at 1805; fair, steady signal (HJH-PA)
- WBNR** NY BEACON - 1/4 1643 briefly, with ID: *WBNR, your oldies station*, OLD mx (JF-ON)
- 1270 WLIK** TN NEWPORT - 1/11 1743 fair with C&W and female anncr; sounded overmodulated (HJH-PA)
- 1290 WIRL** IL PEORIA - 1/6 1930-1935 *Newsradio 1290, WIRL*; talk show; poor under WHLD (DT-ON)
- 1310 WTUX** IN INDIANAPOLIS - 1/6 2055-2120 sports, nx, *You are listening to WTUX*, OLD by *Les Paul & Mary Ford*; mention *Notre Dame BKB game*; poor w/unID QRM (DT-ON)
- WDKD** SC KINGSTREE - 1/11 1730 loud, ending C&W, ads, then - South Carolina Net Nx; dropped out abruptly at 1734 (HJH-PA)
- 1320 WWWW** VT RANDOLPH - 12/31 1922-1930 *AM 1320 WWW*; promo re drinking and driving, free taxi call 333-9794; over CJMR, blending with WJAS (DT-ON)
- 1390 WTMS** ME PRESQUE ISLE - 1/12 2322 strong with 96.1 ID, over WPLM (BC-NH)
- 1400 WLLH** MA LOWELL/LAWRENCE - 1/12 2310 noted in SS with meringue and salsa mx; also noted 1/13 1120 with Far East pgm; I guess WLLH is ETH on weekends now (BC-NH)
- CJFP** PQ RIVIERE-DU-LOUP - 12/30 2024-2030 FF TLK; 2030 FF folk mx (like square dance) (DT-ON)
- 1420 WHK** OH CLEVELAND - 1/12 2300 good with *Business Radio 1420* ID and NBC Nx; over CJMT (BC-NH)
- CJMT** PQ CHICOUTIMI - 12/20 2150-2355 talk in FF; poor under WHK (DT-ON)
- 1430 WENE** NY ENDICOTT - 1/12 2250 good with *SU Scoreboard*, over WXKS (BC-NH)
- 1440 WSSL** SC GREENVILLE - 1/11 1735 poor in jumble with *Whistle 100* IDs, mention of Greenville; ex: WGVV (JF-ON)
- WAJR** WV MORGANTOWN - 12/27 2230-0005 *Neil Myers* talk show; under WRRO, which signed off at 2400, then WMKH took over (DT-ON)
- 1450 WCTC** NJ NEW BRUNSWICK - 1/3 2104-2155 good with *Rutgers BKB*, ID as *Central New Jersey's Sports Leader, AM Stereo 1450* (BC-NH)
- WLEC** OH SANDUSKY - 12/27 2140-2300 OLD, *wx, Toledo* mention; poor under 2 unIDs (DT-ON)
- 1470 WLAM** ME LEWISTON - 1/12 2215 good over WSRO, WWWW and unID; format is MoYL (not to be confused with *Stardust*) (BC-NH)
- 1500 KXVQ** OK PAWHUSKA - 1/5 1830 with C&W mx 'til 1841 sign-off: *This is AM station KXVQ, 1500 on the dial and located at 513 Kibekah, Pawhuska, Oklahoma. KXVQ operates with a 5000 watt signal and serves the public in northern Oklahoma and southern Kansas* - sung SSB; no sign of WTOP/KSTP or even my next door neighbor, WLQV; OK #45 (REH-ON)
- 1520 KJIA** SD SIOUX FALLS - 12/29 fair with woman apologizing for technical troubles and saying *We now return to the Countdown America program on KJIA* - popular Christian mx; SD #35 (SA-MB)
- WITM** TN ELIZABETHTON - 12/29 1705 ID under WWKB - local obituaries (JF-ON)
- 1550 KSFT** MO ST. JOSEPH - 1/8 1737 good with CBE nulled with ID: *KSFT, country music 24 hours a day* - C&W mx; ex:KKJO (JF-ON)
- 1590 WJRO** MD GLEN BURNIE - 12/29 1700 ID only over mess including 100 Hz hum; *WJRO, Glen Burnie-Baltimore* (JF-ON)

### REPORTERS

- REH-ON CHARLES REH/Leamington. ON/R-390A + Sanserino Loop + TR-3000 open reel tape recorder
- RK-IL ROBERT KRAMER/Chicago, IL/R-5000, R-1000, HQ-129X + 2 RW Loops, Kowalski Loop + Kantronics Signal Enforcer peak/notch filter
- SM-MA STAN MORSS/Boxford, MA/HQ-180A + SM2

- SA-MB** SHAWN AXELROD/R-70, Superadio, Caradio + 14' LW or 100' LW or 3' loop [Shawn, was the GY list you sent in addition to what I already have? Or old stuff? -Ed.]
- HH-MDX** HANK HOLBROOK/Dunkirk, MD/SP-600 + (1)Colgrove Loop or (2)50' LW
- DT-ON** DON TRELFOURD/Scarborough, ON/DX-440 + LW
- PC-VA** PERRY CRABILL, W3HQX/Winchester, VA/R-5000, 65' Inverted 'L', 2' homebrew loop, CTR-75 cassette recorder
- HJH-PA** HARRY HAYES/WILKES-BARRE, PA/Superadio, SM-2
- KDF-IL** KARL FORTH/Chicago, IL//
- BC-NH** BRUCE CONTI/Nashua, NH/R70, DX400, wire
- JB-TX** JIM BOEHM/San Antonio, TX/Superadio II
- JF-ON** JEFF FALCONER/Clinton, ON/R9000 + SM-2 loop + 250' LW
- ED.-TX** Ye Editor/SAN Marcos, TX/TRF

### GYDXA UPDATE

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KBCR CO	Steamboat Springs	Shawn Axelrod	Swan River, MB	845				
1240 kHz:								
KWIK ID	Pocatello	Olle Alm	Abisko, Sweden	4348				
KODY NE	North Platte	Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg, MB	618				
1340 kHz:								
ZBM2 BER	Hamilton	Olle Alm	Göteborg, Sweden	*3886				
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1400 kHz:								
KFTM CO	Fort Morgan	Olle Alm	Abisko, Sweden	4374				
KSTP ID	Sandpoint	Olle Alm	Abisko	4055				
WQXO MI	Munising	Olle Alm	Abisko	3642				
WHLB MN	Virginia	Olle Alm	Abisko	3695				
KLCK WA	Goldendale	Olle Alm	Abisko	4277				
1450 kHz:								
KSEL NM	Portales	Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg, MB	1115				
CKYR AB	Jasper	Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg	1244				
1490 kHz:								
KNDC ND	Hettinger	Olle Alm	Abisko, Sweden	3982				
KUGR WY	Green River	Olle Alm	Abisko	4390				
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Olle Alm	Various Locations, Sweden	1230	1240	1340	1400	1450	1490	Total
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### ABBREVIATIONS AND SPECIAL SYMBOLS USED IN DDXD-E

|| :parallel with or to - :to or into :00: on the hour AC:Adult contemporary AP:Associated Press BBD:big band  
BRN:Business Radio Net C&W:country & western CHR:contemporary hit radio CID:code ID ContChr:contemporary  
Christian EZZ:easy listening EE:English FP:French GOS:gospel IRN:Interstate Radio Net jx:jingle LSR:local sunrise  
LSS:local sunset mx:music nx:news NPR:National Public Radio OC:open carrier PSRA:pre-sunrise authority PSSA:post-  
sunset authority QRM:man-made interference QRN:natural interference QTH:location REL:religious ROK:rock 'n' roll  
RS:regular schedule \$:stereo SID:singing ID SRS:sunrise skip SS:Spanish SSB:Star Spangled Banner SSS:sunset skip  
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## DX'ing off the Coast of México ... By Tim Hall

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 (TRH-MX2) DXing aboard the M/S "Viking Serenade" between Mazatlan and Cabo San Lucas (all with Sony ICP-2010, Radio West Loop w/car compass)

550 MEXICO, Tepic XETNC 1/1 1352 Good but distorted with PSA by man & woman, mx, announcements. Seemed very disorganized; lots of dead air between items. ID "todos los dias, XETNC programa las mejores y mas seleccionadas obras de la musica clasica, ademas un estilo diferente en sonido instrumental. Frecuencia 550 en AM, R. Atlan es la otra opcion." Sign-off time (if any) is later than 0500, per promos. Cultural/CLA/BFL format. (TRH-MX1)

560 MEXICO, Huatabampo XEYO 12/31 1524 First noted with fair-good signals, GMT-7 TCs and mentions of Huatabampo in every ad. (TRH-BCS1) 1/4 1838 Noted w/SS AC mx, "R. 560" (Quinientos-Sesenta) slogan, lots of local ads. Drop original slogan "La Onda Juvenil," as format is not juvenud to begin with! Freq may be drifting a bit -- hard to lock in ECSSB. (TRH-BCS1)

560 MEXICO, Santiago Papasquiaro XESRD 12/27 1205 Very distorted signal. XE anthem, then good and clear with "R. Sierra" slogans and local ads. Trying for XEYO. (TRH-CA)

560 MEXICO, UNID 1/1 1332 Possible mention by man of "La Z de Zacatecas" (which did not come out on tape due to a faulty connection on my SONY) has me wondering if XEXZ-1150 has moved to 560. Hardly farfetched, as the owner of this station has already moved his XELX-1280 to 830, and XEYQ-1510 to 1500, 890, and eventually 640! XEXZ not noted on 1150. This bears watching if XESRD & XEYO will get on frequency and stay there so we can DX this channel! (TRH-MX1)

570 MEXICO, Caborca XEUK 12/31 0043 Good w/AC mx, ID mentioned kW and AM Stereo (NOTE: Mexico selected the Motorola C-Quam AM Stereo format this past October or November). (TRH-BCS1)

570 MEXICO, Culiacan XENZ 12/31 1700 Station is definitely SILENT. Not noted day or night when other Culiacan stations were in. With 3 new stations in Culiacan I doubt they'll be back anytime soon. (TRH-BCS1)

570 MEXICO, Monterrey XEBJB 1/1 0831 "La Nortena" jingles. Announcements and TCs contained the phrase "en B-J-B." Mixing w/KLAC and KLIF. Be very careful not to confuse this with XETJ. (TRH-MX1)

570 MEXICO, Torreon XETJ 1/2 0106 Fair-good w/2 IDs: "XETJ, La Nortena, Tropical de Oro, 570" Both this station and XEBJB use "La Nortena" & "R. Alegria." (TRH-NAY1)

580 MEXICO, Guadalajara XEAV 1/1 1319 Fair with local ads and new "Canal 58" slogan noted several times throughout this morning & evening. (TRH-MX1)

590 MEXICO, Hermosillo XEHQ 12/31 0013 Noted with ranchera and new slogan "La Super Q". Rare at home due to KKLQ-600 slop. (TRH-BCS1)

590 MEXICO, Mexico City XEPH? 1/1 1350 Tentative with news about Mexico City. (TRH-MX1)

620 MEXICO, Tepic XE00 1/1 1359 TC, ad, "amanecer ranchero" program, mx, possible "XE-doble-O" slogan, local ads. Poor-fair at best. Presumed XECK w/OIR network jingle noted underneath. (TRH-MX1)

630 MEXICO, Mazatlan XETK 1/3 1425 Station does still use "R. Hit" slogan, at least in the morning. Also uses "Tu Chica Musical." (TRH-BCS2)

650 MEXICO, Puerto Vallarta XEEJ 12/26 1058 Garbled s/on w/XE anthem. 12/28 0655 female announcer, then male announcer with "R. Paraiso" slogan. R. Acir promo @0716. New, XE #217. (TRH-CA)

650 MEXICO, Zamora XEZM 12/26 1158 S/on with XE anthem (more than one verse) and several full IDs including new slogan "La Expresion de Zamora." Mega-pest XETNT very fluttery, may have been having xmr problems this week. New, XE #216. (TRH-CA)

670 MEXICO, Cd. Guzman XEIS 1/3 0209 Fair but fading w/Noti-Sistema nx for Jalisco, ID by man: "Esta es XEIS-AM, la Ranherita Consentida es la Onda de Alegria." Note they are on later than listed 0100 s/off. (TRH-MX2)

680 MEXICO, Hermosillo XESON 12/30 2316 Fair w/AC and Radio Acir promos. No call-letter IDs noted. Still need this from home. (TRH-BCS1)

680 MEXICO, Tepic XENF 1/1 2045 Station is apparently SILENT. XE0RO audible midday in Puerto Vallarta. There is an XHNF-PM in Tepic, so I bet they gave up on AM and just put the station on FM. (TRH-JAL1)

690 MEXICO, Fresnillo XEMA 1/2 0127 In briefly u/XETRA & XEST w/local announcements. (TRH-NAY1)

690 MEXICO, Manzanillo XECS 1/2 0748 Poor-fair w/ranchera, male DJ welcoming night workers and fishermen out on the lagoon. Lots of "La Grande de Manzanillo" jingles and spoken "La Grande" slogans. QRM from XETRA & XHEY. Christmas jingles noted later did contain call-letter IDs. Ex-960, now 24h, and there must have been a power increase. This is one of my UNIDs from home! (TRH-NAY1)

700 MEXICO, Hidalgo del Parral XEGD 1/1 0011 AC mx, "La Poderosa" jingles just like XEHES-1040. This is my recent UNID. (TRH-MX1)

710 MEXICO, Culiacan XEBL 12/31 2326 TCs by man (4 minutes fast, like most other Sinaloa and Nayarit stations -- this drove me NUTS!), new slogan "B-L, fiesta Mexicana, fiesta digital." (TRH-BCS2)

710 MEXICO, Empalme XEPS 1/4 1803 Fair midday w/SS AC mx, local ads, female DJ, ID by man: "Transmite XEPS, R. Amistad, kW de potencia, desde Empalme, Sonora." Grupo Acir mentions later. 1450 station not noted. (TRH-BCS1)

710 MEXICO, Tepic XERK 1/1 2048 Poor-fair w/uptempo mx, TCs, slogan "el 7-10 de su radio, con exitos enormes," and jingle which repeated "R. Korita" three times. (TRH-JAL1)

710 MEXICO, UNID 12/31 1514 Fair-good w/ads w/7-digit phone numbers, nx about Mexico City and government activity (an oxymoron? hi). Bank ads, anti-drug PSA, GMT-6 TC. Suspect XEMP Mexico City. (TRH-BCS1)

720 MEXICO, Mazatlan XEVU 1/3 1430 Station also uses slogan "La Mia." (TRH-BCS2)

740 MEXICO, Puerto Vallarta XEVAY 12/31 2024 Fair-good with new format of traditional Mexican music and "7-40 La Mexicana" slogan. "R. Vallarta" slogan, jingles, and AC/MOR/EZL format move to co-owned XEPVJ-1110. This station was on absolutely every store and car radio in town when I visited Puerto Vallarta the next day. Believe schedule is 24h. (TRH-MX1/BCS2/JAL1)

740 MEXICO, Torreon XEQN 12/30 1158 ID by man: "XEQN, en 7-40 kHz en AM", then long XE anthem. Probable s/on. Good signals. (TRH-BCN1)

740 MEXICO, UNID 12/31 0557 XE anthem f-g loop ENE. Believe this was XEQN's s/off. (TRH-BCS1)

750 MEXICO, Acapulco XEKOK 1/2 0129 New Years greetings by male DJ, then s/off w/XE anthem. (TRH-NAY1) 1/3 0126 Mixing w/XECSI again, but easier to copy: "Radio Sensacion, 5kW, desde el paraiso de America, Acapulco, Mexico." Announcer said goodnight, then XE anthem & off. Note power, s/off time have changed. (TRH-MX2)

750 MEXICO, Cd. Camargo XEOH 1/2 0226 Good, some fading. Slogan-ID "O-H 7-50, con la energia musical de Metal Magico." Several slogan variations all included "Metal Magico" phrase. This station may also have been the "El Tropicalismo 7-50" station/program here as well. (TRH-NAY1/MX2)

750 MEXICO, Culiacan XECSI 12/31 2245 New station, spent the whole week tracking it down. This is a CP originally issued for 1590 kHz, just recently came on the air on 750. Format is AC/CHR, seems automated. Power kW, slogan "R. Sensacion" used very often. Except for formal IDs around the top of the hour, call letter IDs are usually given in the form of a "rap"! Gets out well, will be a target for the beverage site. Schedule is 24h, network is Radio Rama. (TRH-BCS2)

750 MEXICO, Tempoal XETI 1/3 0249 Fair through XEOH w/local ads, "La Pabulosa" slogan, ranchera mx, ID "XETI, La Pabulosa, la Radio para Todas Las Huastecas... en Tempoal, Veracruz." Also mentioned kW. Ex-1430, see XERP-1330 logging below for a list of stations you may hear mentioned on this station. Gets out very well, Central & Southern DXers should try for it! (TRH-MX2)



760 MEXICO, Mexico City XEABC 1/3 0137 Fair-good w/dull nxcast and sx update, ads for Bancomer, announcers gave out two of the station's phone numbers: 687-0344 and 687-0041. (TRH-MX2)

760 MEXICO, UNID 1/1 1303 Promo for mx nortena on "XERO"(?) -- Can't be XERO, they're definitely still on 1490. Wonder who this was? (TRH-MX1)

770 MEXICO, Los Mochis XEZA 12/31 1510 Noted with "Z-7-7" slogan and tx about the Caribbean World Series. Audible almost every night. (TRH-BCS1)

780 MEXICO, San Fernando XESFT 12/31 0026 Fair w/ranchera and frequent use of "La Fronta Nortena" slogans. Gets out well; heard just about every night this week. (TRH-BCS1)

790 MEXICO, La Paz XENT 12/31 1408 Good with ID and cultural format. Possibly a public station. Does not get out to the North very well. (TRH-BCS1)

790 MEXICO, UNID 12/31 0058 "R. 7-90, con los exitos de ayer y hoy." Mariachi format. (TRH-BCS1)

790 MEXICO, UNID 12/31 1331 XE anthem and s/on u/KABC, faded immediately. Suspect XENT, which was noted a half hour later. (TRH-BCS1)

800 MEXICO, UNID 12/31 1708 Very weak ranchera/nortena looping NE. (TRH-BCS1)

810 MEXICO, Tuxpan XEUX 12/31 2218 ads by man & woman, ID by man. Doubt this is 10kW, as nearby stations on 1240 & 1340 get out much better. (TRH-MX1)

810 MEXICO, UNID 1/1 1247 Poor-fair w/man & woman "Universidad del Campo" rural education program from the University of Colima. GMT-6 TCs. Slogans garbled. Probably a new station somewhere in Colima state. (TRH-MX1)

810 MEXICO, UNID 1/1 1306 Fair w/XE anthem, but quickly faded. (TRH-MX1)

840 MEXICO, Tepic XETEY 1/1 1414 Fair, distorted & fading w/"Radio Sensacion" slogan and AC/CHR format. (TRH-MX1/JAL1)

859.8v MEXICO, Culiacan XENW 12/31 1658 Good with announcements by male announcer. Noted later in the week on 859.7. (TRH-BCS1/MX2)

890 MEXICO, Culiacan XEMZM 12/31 2153 Fair w/promos and IDs. Gets out very poorly middays, as does XEWT-1200. (TRH-MX1)

910 MEXICO, Leon XEACN 1/2 0145 Presumed with GMT-6 TCs, ad for Three Kings Day sale @local shoe store, possible Leon mention. (TRH-NAY1)

910 MEXICO, Mascota XEMST 1/2 2100 Station is apparently SILENT. Not noted from nearby Puerto Vallarta. (TRH-JAL1)

920 MEXICO, Hermosillo XEBH 1/4 1811 ID by man, TC, AC or romantic mx, dead air, 2 IDs by woman: "XEBH, La Correcaminos." Still need this from home. (TRH-BCS1)

930 MEXICO, Santa Rosalia XERLA 12/30 & 1/4 Station is apparently SILENT. Not noted either time we sailed past northern BC Sur. (TRH-BCS1)

950 MEXICO, Tijuana XEKAM 12/30 1930 Fair signals midday approaching BCN/BCS border. Noticed that XEPRS-1090 audio is audible underneath, just like at home!! When XEKAM fell off the air at 1933, the XEPRS audio disappeared as well. (TRH-BCN1)

950 MEXICO, UNID 1/2 0303 Fair with garbled slogan: "Los grupos musicales de mas fama, todo el dia en R. I \_\_\_\_\_." (TRH-NAY1)

970 MEXICO, Caborca XEEZ 12/30 2321 Good w/slogan "La Super Zeta hace la radio en Caborca." Promos and ads. (TRH-BCS1)

970 MEXICO, Mexico City XEDF 1/3 0701 Call ID after end of special pgm. (TRH-MX2)

980 MEXICO, Tepic XEXT 1/1 2108 Fair with nx by man, local ad, PSA reminding parents to feed kids enough milk, "year-in-review"-type program, new slogan/ID "X-T, una superestacion." (TRH-JAL1)

980.4 MEXICO, Navojoa XEKE 1/4 1831 Fair-good with het. Local ads for circus, "K-E" slogan. This is not going to help me log XEPQ or XEXT! (TRH-BCS1)

990 MEXICO, Monterrey XET 1/1 0822 Good with slogan "La Poderosa es la 'T' Grande" and local programming. (TRH-MX1)

1000 MEXICO, Mazatlan XEMMS 12/31 2145 Fair-good o/XEMIL w/uptempo mx, ads, Radio Mil network whistle, ads for Mazatlan newspaper "El Sol." Station is not // XEMIL-1000. It is distinguished from XEMIL by the fact that most "R. Mil" slogans or jingles on XEMMS are followed by the words "La Ola" and sometimes the sound of an ocean wave. Gets out pretty well. Will try for this at home. (TRH-MX1)

1000 MEXICO, UNID 12/30 1205 XE anthem u/KOMO, soon faded. Probably XEFV. (TRH-BCN1)

1010 MEXICO, Ures XEXN 1/4 1824 Station may be SILENT. Not noted when all Hermosillo stations were in, but Ures is farther inland so I can't be sure. (TRH-BCS1)

1070 MEXICO, Guadalajara XESP 1/2 0058 Fair w/full ID mentioning 5kW, "sistema R. Juventud", studios on Avenida Pablo Casal in Guadalajara. O/presumed XEOBS w/partial ID & lkw mention. (TRH-NAY1)

1070 MEXICO, Guerrero Negro XEZO 12/30 & 1/4 station is apparently SILENT. Not noted either time we sailed past. (TRH-BCS1)

1080 MEXICO, Cd. Morelos XEDY 12/31 1303 Good, o/KRLD with local ads, ID, "R. Gallo" slogan. Gets out well despite low power. (TRH-BCS1)

1080 MEXICO, Colima XEUU 1/2 0057 Ads for shoe store & jeweler, "R. Variedades" slogan, ID "transmite XEUU, la (fuerza?) de Colima, 1080 khz, grupo...". (TRH-JAL1) 1/3 0038 Good o/KRLD w/romantic mx, ads & jingles (TRH-SIN1)

1080 MEXICO, UNID 12/31 0003 SS AC mx, local ad, fading. XE anthem and off at 0102 leaving KRLD and XEDY. Looped NE, probably XEDT. (TRH-BCS1) 1/3 0058 noted same thing here. (TRH-SIN1)

1110 MEXICO, Navojoa XESON 12/30 & 1/4 Station is apparently SILENT (or never existed). Not noted when other Navajoa stations were in, and calls are now in use elsewhere. (TRH-BCS1)

1110 MEXICO, Puerto Vallarta XEPVJ 12/31 2028 SS MOR mx, "R. Vallarta" jingles and slogans as formerly heard on XEVAY-740 (see above). 1kW U1, gets out very well. Unlike 740, full IDs are given during the day. 24h schedule. (TRH-MX1/BCS2)

1120 MEXICO, Guadalajara XEUNO 1/3 0102 Weak w/ID by man, fading u/KMOX. (TRH-SIN1)

1130 MEXICO, Compostela XELUP 1/1 2100 Station may be SILENT. Couldn't get anything solid here or on their old frequency of 1050. (TRH-JAL1)

1130 MEXICO, Los Mochis XEMOS 12/31 1700 Not noted when all other Los Mochis stations were in. Presumed SILENT. (TRH-BCS1)

1150 MEXICO, Guadalajara XEAD 1/3 0021 Fair-good with slogan "Radio Metropoli, su mejor compania." TCs 4 minutes fast. (TRH-SIN1)

1150 MEXICO, Cd. Obregon XESO 12/31 1645 Station is apparently SILENT, not noted when all other Obregon stations were in. (TRH-BCS1)

1200 MEXICO, Culiacan XEWT 12/27 1158 Mx, probable s/on announcement, ID by man. Station should be an easy catch throughout the southwestern US, provided you can put a good dent in WOA1 at your location. Network is Radio Rama. (TRH-CA)

1200 MEXICO, UNID 1/1 1253 XE anthem, soon faded. (TRH-MX1)

1210 MEXICO, Colima XEBCO 1/2 1505 Poor-fair w/TCs by woman, 50kW mentions, and slogan "R. Occidente su preferencia." Should be stronger than this if really 50kW. (TRH-SIN1)

1240 MEXICO, Santiago Ixcuintla XESI 12/31 2200 Fair-good w/mx, new slogans/jingles "La S-I, Su Estacion Favorita, R. Felicidad." Lots of local ads, gets out well. (TRH-MX1)

1250 MEXICO, Saltillo XESJ 1/2 0730 Odd science-fiction drama, butter ad, OIR network ID tape: "Escucha Ud. XESJ, R. Saltillo, que transmite en 1250 khz con lkw de potencia efectiva radiada, Colonia Reyes, Saltillo, Coahuila" and OIR network mention. Schedule now 24h. (TRH-NAY1)

1260 MEXICO, Culiacan XESA 1/3 0226 Fair-good o/weak UNID w/songs and IDs: "XESA, R. Hit". (TRH-MX2)

1270 MEXICO, Leon XERPL 1/2 0038 Good w/ad for electrical supply store, slogan "solo exitos en la poderosa, R-P-L." Still in at 0732 recheck, which mentioned 5kW in an ID. (TRH-JAL1/NAY1)

1310 MEXICO, Tijuana XEC 12/25 1923 Noted off for annual Christmas SP. KDIA and KLIX noted at SSS. (TRH-CA)

1310 MEXICO, La Paz XELPZ 12/31 1730 Station is SILENT, no trace of them either day I sailed along BC Sur, or either time the boat pulled into Cabo San Lucas. (TRH-BCS1)

1310 MEXICO, Monterrey XEVB 1/2 0142 Poor-fair w/other XE stn, local ads for Monterrey, "R. Trece" slogans, 6-digit phone numbers in ads. (TRH-NAY1)

1310 MEXICO, UNID 12/31 1358 XE anthem loop NE, possible kW mention. Suspect XEPH. (TRH-BCS1)

1310 MEXICO, UNID 12/31 2340 Loop NW/SE w/CLA mx, possible ID "XE...R... , 1310 kHz, una emisora de... " (TRH-MX1)

1320 MEXICO, Santa Rosalia XESR 12/30 & 1/4 Station is apparently SILENT. Not noted either time we sailed past northern BC Sur. (TRH-BCS1)

1320 MEXICO, UNID 12/30 1251 XE anthem (more than 1 verse) looping SSE, weak. Soon faded. Trying for XESR. (TRH-BCN1)

1330 MEXICO, Cd. Madero XERP 1/2 0555 S/off announcements mentioned 7 co-owned stations: "R. Tampico" (XETU-980), "R. Jet" (XES-1240), "R. Ranchito" (XERRT-1270), "R. Ola" (XEOLA-1460), "R. Sensacion" (XERP-1330), "La Pabulosa" (XETI-750), and "PM 97" (XHEP-96.9). XE anthem & off by 0600. (TRH-NAY1)

1330 MEXICO, Culiacan XEUAS 12/31 1700 Station is SILENT. Not noted several times this week when other Culiacan stations were in. (TRH-BCS1)

1330 MEXICO, Irapuato XEBO 1/2 0204 ID "Sintonize XEBO, R. Variedades, 1330 kHz, con 5kW..." Noted throughout evening until 0600 s/off. OIR network. (TRH-NAY1)

1330 MEXICO, Monclova XEWQ 1/2 0136 Fair mixing with XEBO. Ads followed by ID: "XEWQ, La Superestacion" first by a woman then by a man. Slogan is new. (TRH-NAY1)

1340 MEXICO, Escuinapa XEQE 1/2 Station is SILENT. Not noted from nearby Mazatlan. XEZE here mornings, XECW evenings. (TRH-SIN1)

1340 MEXICO, Santiago Ixcuintla XEZE 12/31 2213 Fair w/slogan "mas musica bonita en 13-40 Z-E." Still uses slogan "La Cotorra de su Radio". Gets out well. (TRH-MX1/SIN1)

1350 MEXICO, Mexico City XEQK 1/2 0152 Good with mx by man & woman, IDs, slogan "La Hora del Observatorio Nacional" before time pips. Phone number 5-24-93-61. (TRH-NAY1)

1350 MEXICO, Torreon XETB 1/2 0159 ID, "R. Laguna" slogan and ORC network whistle. Still in OIR network as well per later ID. 5kW, 24h schedule. (TRH-NAY1)

1360 MEXICO, Celaya XEY 1/2 0546 Fair, fading w/local ads for Celaya. (TRH-NAY1)

1360 MEXICO, Chihuahua XEDI 12/31 0318 Caught call-letter ID and garbled slogan. KPOP/KLFP dominant throughout Baja peninsula. (TRH-BCS1)

1360 MEXICO, Jerez XEXM 1/2 0027 In all evening with fair signals, remote broadcast from "club Rosario", ads, slogan "la frecuencia de los hits." Promos included the station's phone number (5-24-75). (TRH-JAL1/NAY1)

1380 MEXICO, Acambaro XEAK 1/1 1416 Weak this morning but good at SSS & evening with "La Consentida" slogan and ranchera format. ID #0002 on 1/2 mentioned 1500w and OIR network affiliation. ex-1600. (TRH-MX1/JAL1)

1380 MEXICO, La Paz XEPAB 12/31 1730 Station is likely SILENT. See note on XELPZ above. (TRH-BCS1)

1380 MEXICO, Mexico City XECO 1/2 0004 Radio Mil network promos and ID by man. Gets out well. (TRH-JAL1)

1380 MEXICO, Tepic XEPIC 1/1 1420 Station is apparently SILENT. Not noted from Puerto Vallarta or Nayarit coast, and XEAK covers this area fairly well. Doubt this is on. (TRH-MX1/JAL1)

1390 MEXICO, UNID 12/31 0319 XE anthem, weak, looped NE. Probably XEQC. (TRH-BCS1)

1390 MEXICO, UNID 1/3 0601 Slogan "R. Huaxla(?)" by man, then XE anthem and off. (TRH-MX2)

1400 MEXICO, Acaponeta XELH 12/31 2209 Fair with ads for Tecuala, ID "Esta es la L-H, que transmite en AM de Acaponeta. Estamos al 1400 en el cuadrante de tu radio." Gets out well. (TRH-MX1)

1400 MEXICO, Navojua XENAS 12/30 & 1/4 Station is apparently SILENT or never existed. Not noted when other Navojua stations were in, and not listed by Mexican CIRT. (TRH-BCS1)

1410 MEXICO, Morelia XEI 1/2 0628 Good w/ID "Esta es R. Morelia, XEI, R. Morelia, en el 1400 de su radio." Mentioned kW, new 24h schedule. Other slogan "la estacion mas importante de Morelia, XEI." (TRH-NAY1)

1410 MEXICO, Cd. Valles XEIR 1/2 0606 Fair-good o/XEKB w/IDs, mentions of address (Av. Hidalgo #1, Cd. Valles). Also announced new 5kW power and 24h schedule. (TRH-NAY1)

1410 MEXICO, Guadalajara XERB 1/2 0603 Fair u/XEIR w/GMT-6 TCs and jingles: "siempre adelante con las canciones de moda, Canal 14-10." (TRH-NAY1)

1420 MEXICO, Monterrey XEH 1/2 0601 Fair signals, man gave station's phone number (43-42-10), TC, temperature for Monterrey. (TRH-NAY1)

1420 MEXICO, San Jose Del Cabo XEKA 12/31 2300 & 1/3 1500 Station is NOT ON YET. (Believe this is still just a CP). (TRH-BCS2)

1430 MEXICO, Mascota XEMTU 1/1 2100 Station is SILENT. Not noted from nearby Puerto Vallarta. (TRH-JAL1)

1440 MEXICO, Rosario XEHW 12/31 2212 Fair w/ranchera, local ads. "R. Provincia" slogan still used. (TRH-MX1/NAY1)

1450 MEXICO, Aguascalientes XEYZ 1/2 0111 Fair mixing w/XETD w/"R. Variedades" slogans. ID #0700: "Estas escuchando R. Variedades, primera en musica moderna, XEYZ, 1450 kHz de AM, kW de potencia efectiva radiada,..." mentioned OIR network (all OIR stations have excellent ID tapes, probably provided by the network as they do contain network "plugs"). Power increase from 250w. (TRH-NAY1)

1450 MEXICO, El Fuerte XEGU 12/30 & 1/4 Station is apparently SILENT. Not noted when other nearby stations were all blasting in, and not listed by Mexican CIRT. (TRH-BCS1)

1450 MEXICO, Empalme XEPE 1/4 1803 Station is SILENT. Nothing noted here when other area stations were in, and calls are now in use elsewhere. (TRH-BCS1)

1450 MEXICO, Tecuala XETD 1/2 0113 Fair in QRM with "XETD, R. Sensacion" IDs. (TRH-NAY1) 1/3 1825 Fair midday from Cabo San Lucas with AC mx, local ads, and additional slogan "Su Favorita, Canal 14-50." (TRH-BCS2)

1470 MEXICO, Mexico City XESM 1/2 0831 Fair simulcasting XERP-FM 103.3 "Kosmo 103" with promo for "Rock Concert" program. (TRH-NAY1)

1470 MEXICO, Tijuana XERCN 12/25 0900 Off the air for annual Christmas SP, leaving mega-pest KMFI. (TRH-CA)

1480 MEXICO, Monclova XEXU 1/2 0213 Poor w/"R. Variedades" slogan, mixing w/other XE station. Ad for diner "Loncheria Dos Hermanos" in Monclova. (TRH-NAY1)

1490 MEXICO, Aguascalientes XERO 1/2 0259 Fair w/TC by woman, ID "Escuche XERO, La Nueva R-O, Romantica, 1490 kHz AM, con kW de potencia, Aguascalientes, Aguascalientes, La Nueva R-O." O/UNID stn. (TRH-NAY1)

1490 MEXICO, Guasave XEVP 12/30 & 1/4 Station is apparently SILENT or never existed. Not noted when other area stations were in, not listed by Mexican CIRT, and calls are now in use elsewhere. (TRH-BCS1)

1490 MEXICO, Guaymas XEDR 12/31 1648 "D-R, R. Marinera" noted with poor signals. No sign of listed Guasave station, they are presumed silent. (TRH-BCS1)

1490 MEXICO, Matamoros XEMS 1/2 0122 Poor w/"La Grande de Matamoros" slogan. 0619 ID also contained slogans "M-S, La Mexicana" and "superestacion." Wonder if they're kW now? (TRH-NAY1)



- 1490 MEXICO, Todos Santos XEIB 12/31 1700 Station was not on both times I sailed past, doubt this station was ever on. Calls now in use by 1170-Caborca. (TRH-BCS1)
- 1490 MEXICO, Zamora XEGT 1/3 0030 Poor-fair w/ads for furniture store and pharmacy both in Zamora, then call-letter ID after TC. (TRH-SIN1)
- 1500 UNID, 1/2 2348 Slogan: "Los campeones de la... musica... solo en R. Istmo" -- no idea who this could be. (TRH-SIN1)
- 1510 MEXICO, Navajoa XEKI 12/30 & 1/4 Station is apparently SILENT. Not noted when other Navajoa stations were in, and not listed by Mexican CRT. (TRH-BCS1)
- 1550 MEXICO, Tijuana XEBG We 12/26 0620 Noted OC tonight. Usually NSP except for MM OC. (TRH-CA)
- 1560 MEXICO, Ixtlan XERIO 1/1 0002 Fair w/review of hits of 1990, slogan "R. Rio, una onda de alegria" mixing w/UNID. (TRH-MX1)
- 1590 MEXICO, Mexico City XEVOZ 12/31 0325 Very good signals with new "Capital R." slogan and CHR/Dance mx. Full ID noted the next evening at 2355. Really gets out well, should be audible in southern California if KOGO ever takes a SP. Noted every night this week, occasionally w/R. Acir promos. (TRH-BCS1/MX1)
- 1590 MEXICO, Tepic XEPNA? 1/1 1445 Ads, including one which seemed to mention Tepic. Another ad was for horse racing. Not at all sure if this was them. (TRH-MX1)
- 1600 MEXICO, UNID 12/30 2303 Heard slogans which sounded like "Cadena A-S" and "La B-K". Soon faded. (TRH-BCS1)
- 1600 MEXICO, UNID 1/3 0605 XE anthem looping E w/KMNY and UNID XE. (TRH-MX2)

I tried to limit the info submitted above to:

1. Good catches;
2. Slogan/power/format/network/frequency changes;
3. New stations;
4. Stations which I've never seen reported in IRCA or NRC bulletins; and
5. Information about "silent status" of questionable stations.

6. *NIQS.*

Have fun with all this! See you again in about 2 weeks, hopefully with some local beverage catches if all goes well. 73,

TIM

## IN THE BEGINNING

BY JOHN D. BOWKER

THIS IS THE COMPLETE LIST OF U. S. BROADCAST STATIONS ON THE INDICATED FREQUENCY AS PUBLISHED BY THE FEDERAL RADIO COMMISSION IN 1934. "S" MEANS SHARED; "SH" MEANS SPECIFIED HOURS; "T" INDICATES TRANSMITTER LOCATION; "D" MEANS DAYTIME OPERATION ONLY; "U" MEANS UNLIMITED TIME.

Frequency (kc)	Call letters	Main studio and transmitter location	Power	Time designation
890, regional (Canadian shared).	WJAR	Providence, R.I.	250 w	U.
			500 w LS.	
	WMMN	Fairmont, W.Va.	250 w	U.
			500 w LS.	
	KARK	Little Rock, Ark.	250 w	U.
			500 w LS.	
	WGST	Atlanta, Ga.	250 w	U.
			500 w LS.	
	WILL	Urbana, Ill.	250 w	S-KFNF, KUSD.
			1 kw LS.	
KFNF	Shenandoah, Iowa	500 w	S-WILL, KUSD.	
		1 kw LS.		
KUSD	Vermillion, S.D.	500 w	S-WILL, KFNF.	
KSEI	Pocatello, Idaho (S.A. See 900 kc.)	250 w		U.
		500 w LS.		

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# International DX Digest

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Foreign DX Catches. Times are UTC; for ELT, subtract 5 hours

I received a phone call from Jay Smilkstein who wondered how it is possible to hear Algeria on 891 when WLS comes in as early as 4:00 pm in the EST afternoon. Jay's question reminds me of how it can be intimidating to read IDX columns, with long lists of things that seem impossible. Why can't most of us hear this stuff?

A number of factors are involved: Your receiver must be able to tune "splits" between US/Canada frequencies. Your antenna is critical; either a good long wire or a loop is needed. A rural location is best, an urban is tougher because of harmonics, spurs, and electrical noise. Those right on the beach do much better than those inland. Mid-West locations are especially difficult. Ground-conductivity can also be a factor. A low A-Index (on WWV) over a period of days increases the likelihood of hearing something.

A number of tips to follow: Look for TAs and TPs that are on frequencies ending in 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7 Khz. The ones on 0, 1, 2, 8, 9 are especially difficult, unless they are extremely high-powered. Be patient. TAs and TPs do not come in every day, sometimes only a few days out of the season. For TAs some of the best receptions occur at sunset (your location) or sunrise (transmitter location). For TPs good receptions are possible around sunrise, but I am no expert concerning TPs! Listen for a hetrodyne (sounds like a whistle) between frequencies and stick with it as long as you can to see if an audio signal will rise up. Don't be fooled by signals from your television that will often appear between frequencies, but sound more like a buzz than a whistle (my computer causes whistles, however). Sometimes a particular radio equipped with a long-wire will cause an overload of shortwave signals on medium wave. Obtain a list of TA or TP stations, either your own list made from the most common loggings in IDX or from the World Radio TV Handbook - the WRTH is especially helpful in describing IDs in the native language. They will not generally identify in English. Main libraries may have the WRTH.

Which ones to look for first? For TAs, try Norway on 1314, Spain on 774, Yugoslavia on 1134. Strong hets, and occasional audio from Algeria on 891 and Saudi Arabia on 1521 can frequently be heard. I get a het on 1521 nearly every night! Perhaps west coast DXers could identify the most likely TPs for us. If you get one, het or audio, look

for others from the same region on other frequencies. Good luck, your day will come!

Jim

## PAN-AMERICAN

- 560 MEXICO XESRD, Santiago Papasquiaro 0350 1/13. Good o/KSFD w/2 full IDs and R. Sierra jingles. Second SS station mixing in at times, possibly needed XEYO. [TRH\*CA]
- 580 MEXICO XEHO, Cd. Obregon 0321 1/13. Fair/good o/XEF1 w/slogan "La Primera del Cuadrante, R. Centro." [TRH\*CA]
- 630 MEXICO XETK, Mazatlan 0402 1/13. ID by man, "R. Hit" slogan, Mazatlan BB (Liga Mexicana del Pacifico). [TRH\*CA]
- 670 MEXICO XEIS, Cd. Guzman 0213 1/13. Fair w/KBO1. Man/woman w/Noti-Sistema mx, "La Rancherita Consentida" slogans. Former daytime, now on past 0400. [TRH\*CA]
- 680 MEXICO unID 0505 1/13. Lots of R. Acir promos here tonight. NA noted at 1100. Perhaps needed XESON now operates w/longer hours? [TRH\*CA]
- 700 MEXICO unID 0400 1/13. XE anthem and off. Apparently XEGD is now signing off an hour earlier? [TRH\*CA]
- 710 MEXICO XEPS, Empalme 0240 1/13. Fair w/XEDP. Man w/ads for Guaymas, including "LV del Puerto" newspaper. ID @ 0259 "XEPS, R. Amistad, 710 kHz ... 1 kw ... desde Empalme, Sonora." [TRH\*CA]
- 750 MEXICO XECSE, Culiacan 0236 1/13. Fair in QRM w/lots of call IDs and "R. Sensacion" slogans as heard on vacation last week. [TRH\*CA]
- 790 MEXICO XENT, La Paz 0222 1/13. Fair w/XERPC (new, longer SE wire had a great null on KABC most of the time). BFL mx, man and woman announcers, slogan ID "NT, R. La Paz." [TRH\*CA]
- 820 MEXICO XEYX, Mexicali 0400 1/13. OC AN tonight. [TRH\*CA]
- 830 MEXICO XEVO, Culiacan 0400 1/13. OC AN tonight. Ruined the



frequency! [TRH\*CA]

- 850 MEXICO XEM, Chihuahua CHIH 0045 1/13. SS AdCon mx; male annrc w/R. Exitos slogans; 0057 s/off anmt., giving address as Calle Novena No. 513; then NA and off. New catch; good on peaks in semi-null of local KOA. First log of anything on 850 other than KOA! [QW-CO]
- 870s MEXICO XEKAM, Tijuana 0814 1/13. Loud noise spurs from 950 are back, but this time they picked new frequencies! 1030 much louder. [TRH\*CA] (I'm looking forward to my February vacation in Chula Vista - Jim)
- 990 MEXICO Cd. Guzman 1208 1/13. Poor-fair w/"La Divertida" slogans, possible use of R. Alegria as well. [TRH\*CA]
- 1030s MEXICO XEKAM, Tijuana 0814 1/13. Spur, see 870 above. [TRH\*CA]
- 1060 COLOMBIA unID 0045-0320 1/15. Program consisting of flute, traditional guitar or accordion mx. ID at 0101 and 0202, as "HJ??" then sound of a bomb exploding, and what sounded like "LV Musical" slogan. No ads heard. Faded up every 5 minutes or so under strong KYW/CJRP. [JR]
- 1080 MEXICO XEDY, Cd. Morelos BCN 1346 1/7. Presumed this one w/R. Gallo slogans, XE mx, PST TCS. Lots of ads for San Luis Sonora and San Luis AZ; also heard a slogan as "La Nueva Estacion de la comunidad Hispana de Yuma, AZ." No mentions of Baja California or Cd. Morelos. Target audience must be NW Sonora and SW AZ. [QW-CO]
- 1160 BERMUDA VSB-3, Hamilton 1103-1218 12/31. Atop channel from time to time, popular mx, church plus other ads, nx, IDs - Good report! Real suprise while looking for WPVG which ended up QRMing them. [HH-MD]
- 1170 MEXICO XEIB, Caborca SON 1300 1/6. S/on w/NA, "R. Sensación" slogan. Poor in partial KVDD null. [QW-CO]
- 1240 MEXICO XEBQ, Guaymas 0457 1/13. Good w/local KSON. S/off announcements by man, ID, XE anthem. [TRH\*CA]
- 1270 MEXICO XEGL, Navajoa 0436 1/13. Fair-good through local XEAZ w/Cd. Obregon Yanquis BB // XEDX 1430. [TRH\*CA]
- 1330 MEXICO XEBO, Irapuato 1313 1/13. "B-0" slogan and R. Variedades

(OIR Network), jingle exactly as heard on vacation last week. [TRH\*CA]

- 1350 MEXICO XETB, Torreón COAH 1111 1/7. Fair o/KGHF w/música romantica, soft-voiced male DJ, "R. Laguna" slogans. [QW-CO]
- 1380 MEXICO XEAT, Acambaro 1230-1313 1/13. (ex-1600) Fair w/"La Consentida" slogans, ranchera mx, IDs, mentioned 1500 watts power. [TRH\*CA]
- 1380 MEXICO XEKT, Tecate 0448 1/13. ID by man mentioned 250 watts, Cadena Baja California. Off after 0500, as usual. [TRH\*CA]

## TRANS-ATLANTIC

- 747 unID 0224 1/20. Brief audio, with male vocal, soon only a whistle, language uncertain. [JR-NY]

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- [TRH\*CA] Tim Hall, Chula Vista CA; Sony ICF-2010, Radio West Loop
- [TRH\*CA] Tim Hall, Poway CA; Sony ICF-2010, 1300' & 1700' E, 1500' and 2700' SE beverages all terminated.
- [HH-MD] Hank Holbrook, Dunkirk MD; SP-600 w/Colegrove loop
- [JR-NY] Jim Renfrew, Rochester NY; HQ-150, SMI "Space Magnet"
- [QW-CO] John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge CO; R-1000, 4' box loop



# Formats

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Changes in programming status; reported by NRC members and others

What do ancient Rome, Babylonia, the Inca civilization, the New York Yankees and four former full service radio stations all have in common? Yes, class, that is correct....they all have fallen.

To start off, Geov Parrish writes that WLAM-1470, up in Lewiston, Maine, has dumped its AC format, in recent months from a satellite, in favor of a satellite-fed adult standards format. WLAM, in the mid 1950's was the station that brought rock and roll to Maine. This happened in a conservative venture...the Frank Sweeney rock and roll show from 8pm to 9pm weeknights. Guess what hour was most popular of the WLAM 18 hour broadcast day?

And in past years, if you lived in Morris County, NJ, and wanted to know what was happening locally, you listened to WMTR-1250. Well, a couple of years ago, WMTR tried to bolster the slide of listeners to FM by programming financial news from the Money Network. The latter is gone, so WMTR is now offering northern New Jersey a delightful diet of BRN business news. Its competitor, WRAN up in Dover is long gone, and competitor WYMC-1310, I hope, is serving the area with the full service diet which every market needs. This info from New York Newsday.

Up in suburban Boston, North Shore residents lived and died with WESX-1230, and South Shore residents obtained their local news and information from WJDA-1300, Quincy. Both stations are owned by the same people. Staffers worked on those stations for years, bearing out information which I have heard that they pay very well. Well, the local announcers are gone....on a visit two weeks ago to Boston, I noted that both stations now are obtaining their adult standard music from a satellite network. The local talk about Salem, Beverly, Braintree, or Quincy is gone....now the glop about "twenty after the hour" and shallow hogwash about nothing in particular has replaced Boston accents and welcome announcers in almost every area home, business or car. How the mighty have fallen!!!!

Mia culpa department...Jim Rollins writes from Alexandria, VA, that WCAO has moved its transmitter site from the Baltimore Beltway site to Darrison Forest Road, two miles northeast of the old location. Those of us who have the WCAO QSL with the air photo of the old four tower array have quite a keepsake as are my slides that I took there a few years ago.

Our column comes courtesy of Geov Parrish....

- |              |                |  |
|--------------|----------------|--|
| 610 WROQ NC  | Charlotte      | - SMN Kool oldies (GP).  |
| 680 WOGO WI  | Mallie         | - BRN Business news (GP).  |
| 980 WSIX TN  | Nashville      | - Religion upon sale (GP).   |
| 940 KIXZ TX  | Amirillo       | - Unis AM Standards (GP).  |
| 980 KHOS TX  | Sondra         | - CWM(GP).   |
| 1110 WKEG PA | Washington     | - News, talk (GP).   |
| 1160 WPVG MD | Funkstown      | - New, CWM Music from the 1920's Onward! (GP).   |
| 1260 KSHO CO | Aspen          | - SMN Country (GP).  |
| 1310 WGSA PA | Ephrata        | - // with WAGO-1240-Reading in a joint agreement between the two stations "To better cover the area." (GP).                    |
| 1400 WWXX GA | Alpharetta     | - Religion // WRAF 90.9. WRAF is forming a religious network. WWXX is the first station and is being used as a test case (GP). |
| 1400 KIGO ND | St. Anthony    | - Silent (GP).   |
| 1490 WPAD VT | Middlebury     | - Silent because of lack of money (GP).  |
| 1530 KCTT AR | Yellville      | - Silent pending sale.   |
| 1590 WEHH NY | Elmira Heights | - Adult standards (GP).  |
| 1590 WABV SC | Abbeville      | - Urban Contemporary (GP).   |

All for this time. Thank you, Geov! And for the rest of you....get those formats in to your favorite Formats column...

73's

*Ty*

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# Radio Roundup

News of radio personalities, of interest to DX'ers

## Pete Kemp (KZ1Z)

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Greetings all...In the Big Apple everybody's favorite Guardian Angels, Curtis and Lisa Sliwa have signed on with WABC-770 for a 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday slot. They have substitute hosted in the past, but this is their first regular show...WABC has also dropped the weekend repeats of the Tom Snyder Show in favor of repeats of local ABC personality Joy Behar...The F.C.C. has relaxed a 1989 rule increasing the power limits for AM emissions for services, such as the Travelers Information Service (TIS) and college radio stations. They formally had to closely adhere to Part 15 regulations... WLAD-800 in Danbury, CT is going to be carrying the Boston Red Sox games this year.

It does seem strange as the station is only 70 miles from NYC. The station claims that they expect good listener response from the Red Sox addicts. Here in Connecticut, Red Sox country typically starts north of Waterbury...Dick Cavett is being inducted into Nebraska's Broadcasting Hall of Fame...WJR, in a move which has infuriated many loyal fans, has axed famed Detroit Tigers sportscaster Ernie Harwell, effective at the end of the 91 season, after a 31 year run. His long time partner Paul Carey will also be shown the door. Harwell is a Hall of Fame Broadcaster. Sources say that it was his age, 71, that was a factor, not fitting in with the companies new image. Law suit time? The Tigers are owned by Domino's Pizza and boycotts have been talked about by loyal fans. The talk show and newspaper circuit in the City of Wheels, is having a field day with this sporting event...Commercial broadcasters are currently in a debate with the Department of Defense and its proposed rules for covering activities in the Middle East. With the tremendous technological advancements in the field, old rules just don't seem to apply. In addition, this is the first time that a war was planned for, not reacted to. Networks have been very busy getting

their correspondents into position in case this war scenario is played out. A new game calls for new rules. Pool coverage is the key word in this debate. Time will tell how they work out the details on this coverage...Now for the time traveler's segment. It was 2:30 p.m. on the east coast, when on December 7th, 1941, radio stations interrupted their broadcasts to announce that the Japanese had attacked Pearl Harbor. News shows immediately surged ahead in the ratings. Many war correspondents became household names and their exploits on the front later propelled them into the fledgling t.v. industry in years to come. Here is a partial list of the names that made the airwaves come alive during this period of time: Edward R. Morrow, Eric Sevareid, Winston Burdette, Howard K. Smith, Farnsworth Fowl, Bill Henry, Charles Collingwood, Larry Lesueur, Francis McCall, Wright Bryant, David Anderson, Tom Traynor, W. W. Chaplain, Charles Shaw and Richard C. Hottelete. Here is the states, the networks presented the news and analysis of the unfolding events. Names such as George Fielding Elliot, Elmer Davis, John Daly, Fredric March, Gabriel Heater, and Lowell Thomas rose to the top of their chosen profession. Radio has always been the first line of information. As one tv correspondent once said, it takes about 20 big suitcases to carry the equipment needed for a satellite TV uplink station. Mobile radio, even cellular, will provide many of the links required to the initial news gathering activities. For example, as I write this report Soviet troops are invading Vilnius. Commercial TV and radio has been taken off the air and amateur radio stations in the capitol city are providing the only news source to the world. Many of the segments are being played by stations all across the country. News, as it happens by radio. Radio our gateway to the world. So much for now.

DX'ers - here's your chance to show off your DX shack, or that last DXpedition or activity! Yes, you can help Sue Knitter out with her class project - and participate in the NRC's first PR video. Sue says to send her slides and photos of DX'ers, DX equipment, and DX-related activities (with all persons identified) by February 15 to be considered for the multi-image show. Send them to her at P. O. Box 24 - Cambridge, WI 53523-0024.

# Musings of the Members

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I am probably the most tardy in congratulating John Mallicky on the splendid job he did in hosting the Pittsburgh Convention, but like veries, better late than never! Charlotte & I enjoyed ourselves tremendously meeting old friends and making new ones, and in celebrating our 49th wedding anniversary at the banquet. The station tour was outstanding. It was great to talk again with Ernie Cooper, Pete Clarius, Betty Lord, Karl Jeter, Bob Harrison, Bob & Patti Stonier, our editors Dave S. & Paul S., and the rest of the old timers, and to meet for the 1st time Don Trelford who is coming back strong after a half century hiatus; Rick Dau, one of the outstanding new-generation DX'ers whose collection of western veries almost made me weep to think that vast area was once a happy hunting ground for us East Coast DX'ers, Martin Wisniewitz, who enjoyed looking at about 3% of my collection of veries & EKKO stamps, Jack Parks & his lovely wife Gaye, whom I kidded about missing her grits at the club breakfast, and many others. Belated kudos, also, to our editor for adding 'Musings' to his busy schedule. It is comforting to know that our club has always been fortunate in finding self-sacrificing servants when in need. This has been a most unusual DX season. While the downturn in the sunspot cycle has yet to afford substantial TA & TP reception (coastal locations excepted), domestic DX is booming. By Dec., I had already sent out more reception reports than during all of last season! Five new 'K' stations have been logged (none last season) with veries back from 4 (KZIM-690 is still out). Those verified are KVKI-1550, KGHT-880, KRRY-1600 & KKLL-1100. Rather unusual has been the reception of a number of stations such as WAAK-960, WWT-1320, WPOG-1080, WQGL-1380, WBAG-1150 & WPTD-1080 that emerged from the QRM, rose to an S9 level or higher and then faded back into permanent QRM. One must be lucky to catch an ID at those moments. Veries, on the other hand, are extremely slow (or stalled completely) with about a 50% return at present. I anticipate a lot of station visits this summer to garner some of the delinquents. My verie total stands at 6082 of which 984 are foreign (exclusive of Canada). It's great to see so many active DX'ers reporting to the various columns, and my 73 and best DX to all! (Thanks, Kermit, appreciated!-DWS)

## ROGER WINSOR - 5012 E. 27th AVE. - LAKE STATION, IN 46405

Greetings to all and a happy new year 1991! Not much listening to the radio until the start of the new year when on 1/2 I noticed WPNT-820 off the air when I got into my truck. Lo & behold, an OPEN channel! It seems that they took the AM off the air to save \$\$ to the tune of 400K per year in engineering, rent, etc. It has opened up 810-830 nicely. WRFA is a daily visitor both in the AM and early PM. The afternoon of 1/10 I heard a clear ID of them at 1:15P CST. The DJ gave an EST TC & temp. check/ID "The Southern Gospel Giant". A nice 1050 mile haul in broad daylight. Much closer WCCO-830 was nowhere to be found, and WHAS-840 was at usual strength. I keep hoping to catch one of the EC 820's like WIQT or WNYC but not so far. The only new catch was WAPO at 5P s/off 1/6 and then 15 minutes later, KGHT-880 nicely w/CW music and power cut anc't. Both much wanted and bring the total up to 3067 heard. Now for WINU. For your info, WNDZ-750 is still REL but has ethnic programming from 7A during the week. On Saturday afternoon (as this is being typed), they're running Black Gospel stuff. A far cry from when I worked there. The only other local happening on local radio is WKVI-1520 is classic oldies after 9A, is CW/99.3 simulcast til then, power anc't given as 1800 watts day, 350 watts CH so change the log. That's it!

## RAY ARRUDA - 47 BURT ST. - ACUSHNET, MA 02743

Greetings to all from this long overdue Muser! First a thank you to ERC for his recent phone tips. DX has been slow with not much new being heard and returns on reception reports being at an all time low. Even follow ups haven't been working! Once again my thanks go out to The CPC Machine for another noble effort as many good tests have been scheduled, but unfortunately, only 2 have been heard & verified, WLUX-1550 & WARU-1600. One other verie has been received from WNTK-1020. Most tests have been tried for with overall results being disappointing. KSTL-690 & KCKN-1020 seemed to have been widely heard but not noted here. Total verie count is 987 with just a few reports out. Our Thanksgiving GTG of 11/24 was the smallest to date with just 5 making it to the 'Lower Deck', Ernie Cooper, Craig Healy, Glenn Cooper, Warren Greenberg & Burton Zachs. We enjoyed your company and hope you'll return next Thanksgiving! Our Christmas-New Year's Holiday was most enjoyable, quiet, low key, spent with immediate family. We hope 1991 is a good DX year, but more importantly the attaining of World Peace & a brighter economic future for everyone. 73



KARL D. FORTH - 2714 N LECLAIRE - CHICAGO, IL 60639

I've read of many stations around the country going off the air and now a Chicago-licensed station has joined them. Century Broadcasting pulled the plug on WPNT-820 in early Jan., only 6 weeks after a format change to "Music of the 80's". The AM station, formerly WAIT & WCZE, was simulcasting with WPNT-FM.

Apparently the owners felt that it wasn't worth the cost to keep them on the air. Watch for this one to return, possibly as a Spanish language or other ethnic station. Or Century might sell the transmitter site in suburban Elmhurst and make a quick profit. The land would probably be zoned for light industrial use and be valuable. I've heard 5 new ones on 820 & 830 in the 2 weeks since WPNT's departure: WRFA-820, WADU-830, WMMO-830, KUYO-830 & CFJR-830. WRFA & WADU have been in almost nightly and I've been able to get tapes and reports for a few other stations on 820. Conditions through the fall were very good, especially on many of the regional channels. I found that sunset was often quiet and then an hour or so later, the regionals would heat up with post sunset authorizations. Conditions really deteriorated about 12/15 and the last 2 weeks in Dec. were poor. In Jan., conditions picked up again coinciding with WPNT's departure. Other new stations heard here recently include the KOJM-610 DX TEST, WWCW & CHTX-990 during a WCFL SP, WADX-1420, WMLX & WLXA-1180 at sunrise, KCCV-760, WTK-1310, & KFON-1370 at sunset & KTNW-660. The KFEL-970 DX TEST was also heard here. I enjoyed the CKLW-800 station profile. I remember listening to them when I was a teenager and visiting the station with a group of DXers after the 1974 Toledo NRC convention. There are still plenty of interesting programs to hear on those familiar AM frequencies. One that I recently heard was a live broadcast of Canada defeating the Soviet Union to win the world Jr. hockey championships. The game, which was played in Saskatoon, was broadcast on CBL-740 by 2 genuinely excited announcers. 73

JERRY STARR - WHOT RADIO - 4040 SIMON RD - YOUNGSTOWN, OH 44425

Greetings. Well, I intended to Muse for the broadcaster's issue but, of course, I missed it. I am also very late in congratulating the Pittsburgh gang for a job well done at the convention. We'll be in West-by-gawd-VA next year almost for certain. The trend of radio stations simulcasting TV newscasts has moved into our market. The 6P 'cast from WFMJ-21 is being carried by WPIC-790, WYWR-1330 & WRRO-1440. By the way, WYWR has taken to calling itself "The Wire" & has been running a lot of locally produced sports & talk in addition to BRN. WBBW-1240 has been simulcasting the 6 & 11P newscast from WYTV-33 for over a year now and has been announcing that they are now the "Valley's Sports Connection" having added sports & sports talk up to 12 hours per day. Add to that the new sports and sports talk oriented programming on WANR-1570 and the new sports stance on WYWR-1330 plus all the YSU and high school sports we carry on WHOT-1390 and this is becoming a sports heaven...or hell, depending on your opinion of sports. I noted one night last week that 7 local AM stations were all carrying different high school BKB games at the same time. Good thing we have lots of high schools here-hi! My closest local XR, WOJY-1470 which has been mercifully silent since last year may be reactivated soon as new ownership is expected to return it sometime in Feb. Guess I better enjoy 1470 while I can. 73 & Good DX

DONALD S. VOORHIES - RD3, BOX 117 - OSWEGO, NY 13126

Its been sometime since I've written so here goes. Just closed the books on '90, logged 45 new stations to bring my Oswego total to 1350. Hopefully '91 will be better, had Norway-1314 booming in on 1/7 at 7:28P, still strong at 8P. Thanks to the OPC, I picked up and verified KRXV-1600, WITZ-990 & WARU-1600. Glad I still remember code from my WW2 days. KRXV was a special surprise as WWRL/WIXY/CHNR were going strong but the code cut right thru. Other veries received recently are CKRC-630, CHSU-700, CHCM-740, WFTK-1030 & WJMT-730 (127 watts per verie). Have just put what veries I have saved from the 30's in an album, also started another with items from recent verifications. I still have a Nov. '36 RADEX and an RCA Radio Travel Log of 1940, both old and worse for wear! 73's.

KARL JETER - 2115 SCARBROUGH RD - STONE MOUNTAIN, GA 30088

Greetings & welcome to a new decade! I hope all had a safe & happy holiday season, mine was fairly quiet with the exception of a trip to Orlando, FL to cheer on the GA Tech Yellow Jackets at the Citrus Bowl. I also had some time to DX, which I will highlight shortly. '91 starts off on a somewhat sad note (in a way) as my friend and fellow DXer Chuck Hutton left 1/7 for his move to Madrid, Spain. But of course, we wish him well and will benefit from his DXploits from over there! And now, statistics freaks, a review of the previous year in DX, 1990 ended with 30 new loggings and 30 new veries, no, not a perfect 100% return rate, unfortunately. The latter figure was actually due to some intensive wfforts following up no shows for the previous year, so, for '89, I had 34 veries for 38 reports for a 89.4% return rate. The only unanswered '89 reports were WKLR-810, WDKN-1260, KDRY-1100, & WWKO-860. In '90 to date, I have 22 replies for 34 reports mailed for about a 65% rate, I guess the same efforts will be necessary to improve that by this time next year. I do have access to a WATS line which helps but a positive phone call and a promise to reply is no guarantee! Some DX

of late: 12/23 a nice null on WFAN-660 yielded a copy on KTNW for AZ #3. They were actually heard twice that day, once at 1A with Interstate Radio Net., NBC news and clear ID. That evening they were in with local programming 10-10:33P. This is undoubtedly the best bet for AZ in the east, seems like I read they were having DA problems so this may not last long. On 1/10, I heard the f/c of KAMI-1580 NE, tone 1:10-1:20A with a weak ID at the end. WBZY-1200 PA nabbed on 12/30 5P with oldies, promo and AP news. Going back a little more, I was tuned to 1130 on the eve of 12/21 and heard a long program of comedy by a really cornball country comedian, after about 30 minutes of this, I got an ID from WJTP-NC and a local ad at 6:09P. And finally a log taken on WZZM-1170 VA back on 12/15 with Christian music and ad. In the Fall '90 Arbitrons for Atlanta, the AM's fared in the Top 20 as follows (overall share in parentheses): #6 WSB-750 (6.5), #11 WGST-640 (4.3), #13 WAOK-1380 (3.3), #15 WCNN-680 (1.5), #16 WIGO-1340 (1.1), #18 WGKA-1190 (0.9), #19 WQXI-790 (0.6). The #1 was UC WVEE-103.3 with an 11.0 share. Interestingly, WYAY-106.7, a country FMer, did a 5.6 share at #7 while its simulcasting twin, WYAI-104.1 could only manage a #17 spot with a 1.0 share! Verie count stands at 1,422....thazzit...73's.

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Thanks to all for the nice turn ou this week and the good reports, just what its all about. In addition to all of this, we're doing a studio install at WEAA-88.9 Baltimore, MD over the next few weeks. As Jerry Starr noted, on the AM band especially, sports is something which is a sellable item, generally stations stand to make a couple of bucks on high school sports. You may want to look for some low power P&A operations, it seems like they're very strong for such low power-hi! Typo's in this column? Naw....it's always proof read....when it comes back in the mail-hi! Hopefully, the type within the next few weeks will improve as we get our DWP210 back on line. See you next week!

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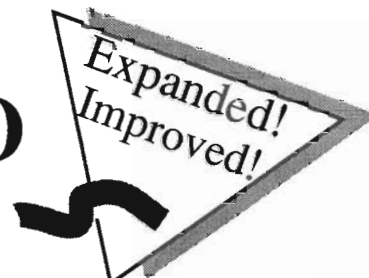
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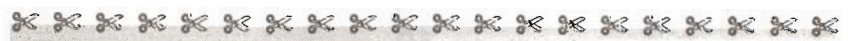
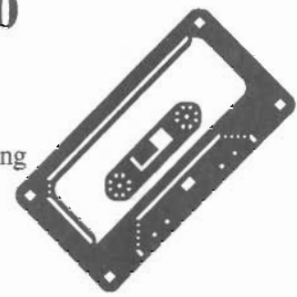
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