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CPC Test Calendar

Call	Freq	Date	EST/Time
WKWY	1150	Mar 15, 1993	0100-0130
KKAR	1180	Mar 15, 1993	0100-0130
WSMI	1540	Mar 24, 1993	0100-0110
WECO	940	Mar 27, 1993	0000-0030
WLKW	790	Mar 29, 1993	0000-0015

From the Publisher ... Jim Renfrew notes that his correct home phone number is (716) 461-2717; the number listed recently is for his work and connects you with a recorder.

We're proud to include in DXN this week the *NRC Product Catalog 1993* in a special members-only, pull-out edition. Browse through it and see what you've been missing from NRC Publications!

DXChange ... Dr. Bruce Elving - P.O. Box 336 - Esko, MN 55733-0336 has a quantity of GE Superadio II's for sale, at \$50 plus \$4.50 shipping and handling, or \$65 plus S & H with FM selectivity filters installed. If you're interested in purchasing one with an SCA (FM subcarrier) installed, write first for the exact price ... Alan Merriman - P.O. Box 66 - Annandale, VA 22003-0066, (703) 354-2135 is offering a JRC NRD-535D in excellent condition (except for a couple of light scratches on the left side) at \$1200; a JRD NRD-525, like new, with optional 1kHz filter and service manual, Kagil dust cover, for \$650; a JRC NVA-88 speaker, like new with Kagil dust cover, \$45; or the three pieces as a group for \$1850; a Datong TPA active antenna/tunable preamp, in good condition, \$25; a 1992 *World Radio TV Handbook* for \$8.00; and the 1992 U. S. and Foreign *Callbooks*, both for \$12.00. All prices include shipping.

Grove Enterprises' new catalog is out; if you didn't get a copy, send a note to them at P.O. Box 98 - Brassstown, NC 28902, and tell them that the NRC sent you. Convention Coordinator Beth Leinback also sent information about the fourth annual *Monitoring Times* convention October 15-17 at the Atlanta Airport Hilton. Anyone interested in exhibiting at the convention may contact Beth at (704) 389-4007, voice or fax. While we're mentioning conventions, you might want to mark your calendar for NRC's 60th anniversary

convention in Enfield, CT, September 3-6; IRCA's convention in Billings, MT June 25-27 (contact John C. Johnson - 979 Neptune Blvd. - Billings, MT 59105-2129), or WTFDA's July 22-24 convention in Nashville, TN (contact Tom Bryant - 849 Todd Preis Drive - Nashville, TN 37221).

Welcome to these new members ... Dan T. Rigilio, Capitola, CA; Andrew Hagen, Valdosta, GA; Carl DeWhitt, Ponca City OK; John Strang, Laguna Hills, CA; Bob Bittner, Needham, MA; Steven C. Wiseblood, South Padre Island, TX; David B. Gibson, Jr, Pittsburgh, PA; Loyal F. Richmond, Louisville, CO; Andy Finn, Marion, IL; Jerry S. Griffin, Long Beach, CA; David Potter, St. Petersburg, FL; Charles Gaharan, Thibodaux, LA; and David L. Kraft, St. Paul, MN.

Remaining DXN Schedule, Volume 60

#	Deadline/Pub. Date	26.	May 21	May 31	
22.	Mar. 12	Mar. 22	27.	June 18	June 28
23.	Mar. 19	Mar. 29	28.	July 16	July 26
24.	April 9	April 19	29.	Aug. 13	Aug. 23
25.	April 23	May 3	30.	Sept. 10	Sept. 20

DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News:
50 years ago ... from the Mar. 13, 1943 DXN: In reply to inquiries about *DX News* being delivered several days late, the post office explained that so many employees had been taken into the armed services that mail service had been slowed. It was suggested that First Class be used.

25 years ago ... from the March 9, 1968 DXN: Steve Bezilla, Osceola Mills, PA caught three new ones in February: WHJC-1360, Matestan, WV; WCPK-1600 Chesapeake, VA; and WDXB-1490 Chattanooga, TN; and a fourth in March: WJSM-1110 Martinsburg, PA. He also commented, "My radios are not of a special type and DX'ing since the middle '20's makes it hard to catch new stations."

10 years ago ... from the March 14, 1983 DXN: Three announcers took over WDBO-FM for several hours to protest a scheduled format change to country music ... Ray Nemecek, Naperville, IL asked members for details of the histories of WCAZ and WTAD.

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 listeners

CALL LETTER CHANGE

Old call:

1030 KBZR MO Blue Springs
1310 KZVE TX San Antonio

New call:

KBEQ
KONJ

APPLICATION FOR NEW STATION

1570 WV Parkersburg: 1000/280 U1

GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

None

APPLICATIONS/GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

None

OTHERNESS

- 1050 WCMS VA Norfolk: shown as silent in the Log, station is ON THE AIR
- 1450 KSKR MT Whitefish: despite the letter from the FCC we mentioned in Issue 18 in which they claimed KSKR had not notified the FCC they were off the air and were "presumed to be operating" as of 2-22-93 they were NOT on the air. The last listed phone number for KSKR now rings at a bank in Whitefish. There is no listing for KSKR under any number and people in Whitefish that member Ron Musco spoke to claim that KSKR has been "gone for years."
- WKEL SC Myrtle Beach: this station was referred to in the same FCC letter as "presumed to be operating" but member Mike Hardester visited Myrtle Beach on February 13, 1993 and reports they are NOT on the air. Further, a phone call to another station in Myrtle Beach to ask about WKEL received a chuckle and statement that they were "gone". This again raises the question as to how much the FCC really knows about what is going on in AM broadcasting.
- 1460 CJMH AB Medicine Hat: this station has received a permit for FM operation (92.1 MHz) and will be closing down this AM station when the FM is operational.
- 1500 WINE TN Trenton: station is SILENT for repairs
- 1560 WSQR IL Sycamore: silent station is ON THE AIR (MSJ reports this station is temporarily being run by students of Northern Illinois University with a modern rock format. Might be fun to hear this.)
- KKID OK Sallisaw: silent station is ON THE AIR and is reported to be relaying KKUZ-FM in Joplin, MO.

THANKS: Ron Musco, Mike Hardester, Dave Schmidt, MSJ

73 and Good DX, *Jerry & BK* Jerry Starr & Buffalo K. Foonman

How to place mail orders ...

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Domestic DX Digest

North: Bill Hale

495 Creekview Drive - Meridian, ID 83642-3241

South: Duncan Shaw

2618 Ellendale Place, #3 - Los Angeles, CA 90007

East: Dave Braun

11 Mill Bend Acres - Wyoming, DE 19934-9523



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Postal Box 180
Brooks, Alberta T1R 1B3

DDXD North

MEDIUM WAVE RAMBLINGS

- Remember the few rules we have for reporting . . . 1) Use one side of the paper, only; 2) divide your loggings into the groups you see here, and report in frequency order; 3) type, or print neatly; 4) report what you heard in a concise manner, but some "meat" is required; 5) keep the loggings current (no older than 30 days by the time I send it in to HQ, which is two weeks prior to the masthead date; 6) adding your equipment is optional, but a nice touch; and the most important 7) observe all rules. Not much to ask, huh. Considering the volume of loggings seen here, it makes things a lot easier. Thanx!
- Reports are welcome here via the mail, Prodigy (MTFH12A), FidoNet (in the Broadcast or FCC message areas) or Ma Bell. The phone number here is 208-888-7398. Call before 2100 Mountain Time.
- DDXD-N News Item: A ship loaded with red paint rammed another loaded with blue paint. Word is . . . sailors marooned.

SPECIAL

- 710 CHYR ON Leamington - On 2/11 the CRTC decided in favor of CHYR's application to move to FM (96.7 MHz). Station sez they hope to have the FM on line by July or August. No word on how long the AMs (710 & 730) will stay on the air after the FM start up. (REH-ON)
- 1090 WAQE WI Rice Lake - 2/16 1825 - Good over WCAR/WBAL with C&W music. Had sign-off at 1830 saying they are owned by Red Cedar Broadcasting Inc. No SSB. Log changes: Format to C&W and add slogan Q Country 1090. (REH-ON)
- 1470 KITO OK Vinita - 2/22 0828 - With AM-FM ID: *You are listening to 96.1 FM - 1470 AM KITO*. Apparently | FM, hence new CLs. Ex: KVIN. (BMC-NE)

UNIDs and UNID HELP

- 600 UNID ?? - 1/31 0100-0120 - Under WMT's DX Test with Jim Bohannon Show. WSJS? (RD-IA)
- 710 CHYR ON Leamington - This is FTS-MN's unID of 1/25 (Issue 17). They failed to make the switch to 730 the night prior and were all-night on 710. (REH-ON)
- 740 UNID ?? - 2/13 0305 - Very poor with satellite-fed *Super Gospel Country*. (REH-ON)

- 770 **WVNN** **AL Athens** - Very likely is **Dick Truax's** unID on 1/29 (Issue 18). They run mostly a talk format, and may have changed patterns at 5:50 PM (local). Another possibility is **KKOB Albuquerque** [LSS in Athens on 1/29 is/was/always will be 5:12 PM and in Albuquerque it's 5:30 PM (both local times) - Ed.]. I eliminated **KUOM** as it's an NPR station and **Barry Farber** wouldn't be on a non-commercial AM! (EB-MO)
- 1230 **UNID** ?? - 2/15 0113 - Someone briefly atop channel with mention of *Canada's Coast-to-Coast*. (RD-IA)
- 1240 **WKDA** **TN Nashville** - Is **MS-ON's** unID of 1/7 [Issue 16 -Ed.] with CNN Headline News 24 hours. (RS-MO)
- 1590 **UNID** ?? - 2/13 0535 - In **WAKR** null with repeat of the first hour of the **Jim Bohannon Show**. Lost to **WONX's** 0556 sign-on. Kinda late for this part of the world. (REH-ON)

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DX AND EQUIPMENT TESTS

- 550 **WDEV** **VT Waterbury** - 2/22 0400 - Poor with possible CIDs at 0407 & 0418. Heavy **KFYR QRM**. New for VT #1 and state #47. (SA-MB)
- 830 **KBOA** **MO Kennett** - 2/22 0110 - With CID, VID, TT, march music. Previously logged at SSS. (BMc-NE)
- KBOA** **MO Kennett** - 2/22 0106-0123 - With band music, code and tone. First ten minutes blanketed **WCCO** with **KBOA** in at about S7. **WCCO** started coming in at 0110 and **KBOA** started to fade. Completely gone at 0123, never to be heard again. Report sent with return postage and NRC mention. (FW-PA) [Thanks for the report, Frank. But I think you're in the DDXD-E zone. But Erie is close, hi - Ed.]
- 990 **WERK** **IN Muncie** - 2/13 0400-0430 - Faint CIDs during the first 5 minutes, then every four minutes starting at 0408 with the last CID at 0428. Poor under co-channel hash. (JL-OH)
- 1070 **WANM** **FL Tallahassee** - 2/6 0000 - Saw **CHOK** dominating with **CBA** in their null. After **CBA** sign-off at 0015, I continued listening and heard some weak code well under them between 0019 and 0025. (MS-ON)
- WANM** **FL Tallahassee** - 2/6 0028 - Weak with CID. (BMc-NE)
- WANM** **FL Tallahassee** - 2/6 0002 - With CID nicely cutting through semi-local **CHOK**. FL #185. (REH-ON)
- 1090 **KMUS** **MI Muskegon** - 2/5 0415 - With CID, under **KAAY**. (BMc-NE)
- 1110 **WNNW** **NH Salem** - 2/15 0307 - Fair with CIDs at 0307 & 0311. Latin music at 0317. Under **KFAB** for **NH #2**. (SA-MB)
- 1280 **KVOX** **MN Moorehead** - 2/13 0303 - With CID. (BMc-NE)
- KVOX** **MN Moorehead** - 2/13 0300-0310 - Not heard. Only **WWOK**. (JL-OH)
- 1590 **WWCC** **PA Honesdale** - 2/13 0000-0030 - Nothing until power was raised to 2.5 kw at 0015 when CIDs barely punched through. Managed to rise above the mess for a few seconds at 0023 and 0027. (JL-OH)
- WWCC** **PA Honesdale** - 2/13 Midnight - CIDs at 0018, 0020 & 0024. Under **WAKR/WONX/KVGB**. New. (SA-MB)

TIS & OTHER STUFF

- 1610 **WNII729** **WY Sheridan** - 2/14 0604 - Fair in fade-over of **Kenosha**, **Wisconsin TIS** with woman giving info on **Sheridan**. Mixing with unID **TIS** tester. (MBDXP)

BEE CONES

- 512 **XKQ** ?? **Unknown** - 2/14 0727 - Good signal from unID beacon. Any takers in who this is? (MBDXP)
- 517 **GQ** **MO Kansas City** - 2/14 0725 - Good signal. (MBDXP)
- 518 **GCT** **IA Guthrie City** - 2/14 0724 - Good signal. (MBDXP)
- 521 **TO** **KS Topeka** - 2/13 2237 - Good signal. (MBDXP)

MIDNIGHT TO 0800 HOURS ELT

- 710 **CHYR** **ON Leamington** - 2/10 0654-0700 - With song *Teddy Bear* by **Elvis**, then a **Statler Brothers** record, followed by *CHYR Country 7 News*. (JB-WI)
- 860 **KTRB** **CA Modesto** - 2/12 0125 - With *California's Big Country* slogan, many IDs and C&W music. (BMc-NE)
- 1260 **WBUD** **NJ Trenton** - 2/3 0723 - Fair with *News Morning* including business news and a mention of *WBUD News Headlines coming up*, then *WBUD hometown weather*. (MS-ON)
- WXCE** **WI Amery** - 2/14 0730 - Fair with weather for **Wisconsin** and *WXCE* ID. New. (MBDXP)
- 1290 **WWOK** **IN Evansville** - 2/14 0057-0100 - With song *Mr. Sandman* and ID *WWOK Evansville, the station of unforgettable hits*. (RD-IA)
- 1520 **KOMA** **OK Oklahoma City** - 2/6 0056 - Good with **REL**, *The Voice of the Last Days* from South Carolina ending with disclaimer from **KOMA** stating that it was a paid program and did not necessarily reflect views of the station. Legal ID at 0100 *KOMA 1520 and 92.5, Oldies in Oklahoma City*. Semi-local **WWKB** off. (MS-ON)



0800 TO 1600 HOURS ELT

- 740 **CBL** **ON Toronto** - 2/17 0845 - Good with discussion on **Metro Toronto** and **Canadian Government** relations. Frequent mentions of **Canadian members of parliament**. (TR-IL)
- 1320 **WKAN** **IL Kankakee** - 2/17 0856 - Fair with ad for **Kankakee McDonalds**. Weather (-10° wind chill, temp +7), *Cash Carousel* game. (TR-IL)

1600 TO 2400 HOURS ELT

- 580 **CKAP** **ON Kapushkasing** - 1/29 2120 - Fair with mix of oldies and current hits, non-IDs as *AM 58* and *The Star Station*. Local ads, eg *C.J.'s Restaurant* on **Government Road**. **CKYC** splatter. (MS-ON)
- 630 **WPRO** **RI Providence** - 1/29 2302 - Poor ⇒ fair with **ABC News**, *Hooked on Phonics* ad into *WPRO News* at 2305. Over **CFCO** and in **CHOG** splatter. (MS-ON)
- 730 **CJNR** **ON Blind River** - 1/29 2158 - Poor ⇒ fair in **CKAC** null with **Elliot Lakes Eagles vs Powassan Hawks** Northern Ontario Junior Hockey League game. (MS-ON)
- 900 **CKDH** **NS Amherst** - 2/13 1750 - Poor in brief fade-up with **CKDH** ID. Under **CHML**. Third time heard here. (MBDXP)
- 940 **WADV** **PA Lebanon** - 2/3 1659 - Poor ⇒ fair with country-gospel music, talk, several IDs. In and out with two or three details. So difficult to separate details. (MS-ON)
- 990 **WIVK** **TN Knoxville** - 2/21 2100-2110 - News of severe storms and tornadoes in area, phone numbers of **Red Cross** and other agencies to call for help. Loud and clear. Maybe using extra power or different pattern because of emergency.. [Probably just their 10 kw on non-directional - Ed.] Never heard anything on 990 but **CBW** before. (JB-WI)
- 1270 **WKZT** **KY Fulton** - 2/8 1856 - Fair in **WXYT** null with ad for **ICPenney** followed by legal ID: *You're listening to 1270 WKZT Fulton, Kentucky - South Fulton, Tennessee*. ⇒ local sports. (REH-ON)
- 1280 **WQUE** **LA New Orleans** - 2/8 1935 - With *Sports 1280* slogan and basketball ratings. (BMc-NE)
- 1370 **WKUF** **MI Cadillac** - 2/12 1754 - Fair with ad for **Twin Oaks**, weather for central and north central Michigan from *KJF staff meteorologist*. (MS-ON)
- 1380 **WNRI** **RI Woonsocket** - 2/5 1742 - Good with ad for **Pino Hardware**. *Pino Hardware pleases the people of Woonsocket*. Talk show host **Larry** (not King!) said *Good evening, you're on WNRI*. (MS-ON)
- WLRV** **VA Lebanon** - 2/8 1800 - Poor with legal ID: *WLRV Lebanon, Virginia, your station for ???* ⇒ **NBC News**. (REH-ON)
- 1420 **WACK** **NY Newark** - 2/5 1747 - Fair with ads for **Ace Hardware Stores**, **National Dairy Association**, and promos for *Larry King in the afternoon* and (missed name) in the morning... on 1420 **WACK** ⇒ **Larry King Show**. (MS-ON)

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 1470 **KWRD TX** Henderson - 2/5 1859 - With ID as *Henderson-Kilgore*. (BMc-NE)
 1500 **KJIM TX** Sherman - 2/4 1913 - With religious music and sign-off. (BMc-NE)
 1520 **WHOW IL** Clinton - 2/13 1827 - Poor with *WHOW* ID, C&W music during fade-up. New. (MBDXP)
 1570 **KQWC IA** Webster City - 2/19 1959 - With market reports. (BMc-NE)
KLEX MO Lexington - 2/18 1943 - With *Lexington vs Carrollton* basketball game. (BMc-NE)
 1580 **WDAB SC** *Travelers Rest* - 2/19 1815 - Poor with sign-off mentioning *Piedmont Broadcasting*. No SSB. SC #90. (REH-ON)

REPORTERS

- JL-OH** Jeffrey Less Toledo, OH; Panasonic RF-5000A
MS-ON MBDXP Morris Sorensen Scarborough, ON; Hammarlund HQ-150 + SM-2 Space Magnet
 Shawn Axelrod & Wayne McRae DXing from Valhalla Beach, MB; 2-ICOM R-70 w/PLAM board & 0.5, 2.4 & 4 kHz filter + south, northeast & west beverages
TR-IL BMC-NE Thomas Reiser Chicago, IL; Sony ICF-2003 w/built-in antenna
 Bob McCoy Lincoln, NE; Sony SRF-M30 Walkman, sometimes with an SM-1 Space Magnet
EB-MO Eric Buenceman Hazelwood, MO; reported via Prodigy
FW-PA Frank Wheeler Erie, PA;
RS-MO Rocky Stone On the Road; reported via Prodigy
JB-WI John Baumgarten Tomah, WI; Superadio II or '64 Zenith Royal 2000
REH-ON Charles Reh Leamington, ON; R-390A + Sanserino Loop + TR-3000 open reel tape recorder
SA-MB Shawn Axelrod Winnipeg, MB; ICOM R-70 + 4' box loop or 100' wire
RD-IA Rick Dau Iowa City, IA; report via satellite (Yo Mama Bell)
Ed.-ID Editor Meridian, ID; a wing and a prayer

GRAVEYARD DX UPDATE

1240 kHz:

WPAX GA Thomasville	Morris Sorensen	Scarborough, ON	920
WNBZ NY Saranac Lake	Morris Sorensen	Scarborough	266

1490 kHz:

WAQX NY Syracuse	Morris Sorensen	Scarborough, ON	218
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Totals:

	1230	1240	1340	1400	1450	1490	Total
MORRIS SORENSEN Port Carling, ON	2	5	5	6	4	6	28
MORRIS SORENSEN Scarborough, ON	1	8	2	5	5	6	27

ABBREVIATIONS AND SPECIAL SYMBOLS USED IN DDXD - North

| | :parallel with or to →: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 CL:call letter ContChr:contemporary Christian EZL:easy listening EE:English
 FF:French GOS:gospel IRN:Interstate Radio Net LSR:local sunrise LSS:local sunset
 NBA:National Basketball Assn NHL:National Hockey League NFL:National Football League
 NPR:National Public Radio OC:open carrier POL: political 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 TC:time check TT:test tones UC:urban
 contemporary UPI:United Press International



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73, Full

DDXD-East

NEWS AND VIEWS

Welcome to new member Leslie Wood. Hope to hear from you often, Leslie!
 Bruce Conti mentions that his logs include his first reception of Oklahoma in over 10 years, as KOMA was a cinch with WWKB off. Thanks to WWKB for providing the opportunity!
 Upcoming deadlines for DDXD-East are March 13, April 3, April 17 and then monthly. Already?

DX TESTS

- 690 **WZAP VA** Bristol - 2/13 Sked test not tried, not notified in time. (RA-MA)
 830 **KBOA MO** Kennett - 2/22 0113-0140 Fair under CFJR with CIDs, VIDs and march music. WCCO not noted during test. (RA-MA)
KBOA MO Kennett - 2/22 0100-0145 Good for first 15 minutes with march music, CIDs, VIDs and TTs, over WCCO and CFJR. Dropped off considerably after that. (EU-NY)
 1070 **WANM FL** Tallahassee - 2/6 0010 Call letters heard in code. Fair-good under WIBC/CHOK. (WPT-DC)
 1110 **WNNW NH** Salem - 2/15 Sked test not tried, not notified in time but call to ERC 2/22 sez he did not hear them. (RA-MA)
 1180 **KOFT MT** Kalispell - 2/1 0438-0458 Just WHAM. (WPT-DC)
 1280 **KVOX MN** Moorehead - 2/13 0300-0310 Never showed up. (WPT-DC)
 1310 **KAAM TX** Dallas - 2/8 0200-0220 Not heard, only WDCT. (WPT-DC)
 1480 **KLEE IA** Ottumwa - 2/7 0105-0120 A no-show, only WHBC. (WPT-DC)
 1590 **WWCC PA** Honesdale - 2/13 0010-0025 Not heard, too much WAKR. (WPT-DC)

UNID AND UNID HELP

- 540 **WGTO FL** Cypress Gardens - 2/23 2255 Reference Bruce Conti's UNID here on 1/31, heard *Sports Byline USA* talk show ending, then promo for *The Pat Williams Show* (Florida State's basketball coach) with ID mentioning location as Pine Hills. Is CP on? If so, that could explain why they have been heard here so much this year (DB-DE) Re: Jeff Kitze's UNID with Hornets Basketball: On 2/12 local WJNC-1240 carries the games, so a // frequency is a cinch. However, only WKGM and WMAZ have been noted. Not even a hint of any basketball game. Dunno, but will check when I think of it. (MH-NC)
 940 **UNID** 2/10 0650-55 - CW weak under WBAL. May be unneeded WKTE-NC. (RE-PA)
 1090 **UNID PA** Scranton - 2/10 0700 My UNID of a few issues back. Heard this time with a complete ID: "This is WBRE-TV's Sid Michaels here on your total sports station WTSS". (EU-NY)
 1320 **WTSS**

0000 to 0800 ELT

WMAQ 87

- 600 **CIQC PQ** Montreal - 2/21 0653-0710 Poor in WICC null with CW, IDing as "Country 960 Montreal". (RA-MA)
 870 **WHCU NY** Ithaca - 2/21 0307 Poor with "Newsradio" ID and talk, under/over WWL. (BC-NH)
 980 **WAAV NC** Leland - 2/21 0206 Poor with news, weather(temps in the 50s and 60s!), and "Newstalk" ID, mostly under WTRY. (BC-NH)
 1000 **WLUP IL** Chicago - 2/21 0150 Excellent with *Dr. Demento Funny Five Countdown*. (BC-NH)
 1020 **WNTKT NH** Newport - 2/19 0645 Most likely the one heard here with sign on announcement over/under KDKA until WKZE sign on buried it at 0647. Had a garbled call, address and ownership, but nothing else ought to sign on that hour. Was NOT NJ! (RE-PA)
 1070 **WKDR NY** Plattsburgh - 2/9 0747 Sounding like a Vermont station with Burlington news and *Crimebeat* police report. (BC-NH)
 1120 **KMOX MO** St. Louis - 2/18 0015 Good clear signal with local news, many "KMOX St. Louis" IDs. (LGW-NY)
 1150 **WDEL DE** Wilmington - 2/11 0005 Heard with sports scores, weathercast, dominating frequency briefly. (LGW-NY)
 1240 **WWCO CT** Waterbury - 2/21 0040 Good with oldies and "1240-CO" IDs. (BC-NH)
WGBB NY Freeport - 2/21 0044 Poor with CNN news and promo with ID "...right here on WGBB", briefly over WWCO. (BC-NH)
 1260 **WEZE MA** Boston - 2/21 0025 Noted in French with *Haitian Prayer Time*. (BC-NH)

- 1320 WICO MD Salisbury - 2/10 0653 In for a minute with "AM 1320 WICO" calls and a school calendar type activity rundown. (EU-NY)
- 1360 CJVL PQ St. Marie-de-Beauce - 2/27 0037 Heard FF phone talk briefly over an unusual mess on this frequency, usually only WDRC and WHLP. (DB-DE)
- 1520 WWKB NY Buffalo - 2/11 0120 With sign off and announcement "will return to air shortly". 2/15 0030 with sign off, announcement "WWKB is leaving the air for equipment performance measurements. Will return shortly." (LGW-NY)
- WWKB NY Buffalo - 2/22 0200 Noted off again on MM as previously reported. Summer-like static levels prevented any new loggings this particular morning. (EU-NY)
- WVOI OH Toledo - 2/15 0053 Heard soon after WWKB sign off. Heavy QRM from "CKY". (LGW-NY)
- KOMA OK Oklahoma City - 2/15 0300 Heard for second time here due to WWKB's sign off. Signal was weak with soft rock music and "Koh-mah" IDs. (LGW-NY)
- KOMA OK Oklahoma City - 2/21 0104 Good with oldies, jingle IDs, and callers on the air with requests, WWKB was off. (BC-NH)
- 1530 WDJZ CT Bridgeport - 2/11 0645 Briefly over WCKY with apparent sign on announcement in SS. (RE-PA)
- 1550 WCLY NC Raleigh - 2/12 1900 Heard with gospel music in heavy QRM from local WARD. (LGW-NY)
- 1560 WTNS OH Coshocton - 2/10 0655-0700 At times over WQEW with new and old CW, then news. Also 2/11. Partial ID 0700 2/10, full ID moving into local news 2/11 0703, new. (RE-PA)
- 1570 WBUX PA Doylestown - 2/17 0505 Good with music by Earth, Wind and Fire, and ID. (EU-NY)

KJNP RADIO
BOX 0
NORTH POLE, AK 99705

1600 TO 2400 ELT

- 690 WJOX AL Birmingham - 2/15 1823 In clear, over WPDQ, with ID as "American Sports Network, home of Birmingham Bulls hockey". (LGW-NY)
- WADS CT Ansonia - 2/19 1812 With local sign off. Had Spanish programming. Thought it was CMBC-Havana, Cuba! (LGW-NY)
- WPDQ FL Jacksonville - 2/15 1800 With local newscast, CBF nulled out. (LGW-NY)
- 720 WZAP VA Bristol - 2/12 1812-13 Weak but readable under CBF with promo, ID. (RE-PA)
- WGCR NC Pisgah Forest - 2/14 1812-14 With country-style REL music then shouted sign off announcement. (RE-PA)
- CHTN PI Charlotetown - 2/18 1715-1720 Strong and alone on channel with CHR. (MD-MA)
- 750 WBMD MD Baltimore - 2/13 1729 Good and well atop channel with ID. Never heard before - no doubt because of now silent semi-local WHEB. (MD-MA)
- 760 WJR MI Detroit - 2/17 2300 In like a local, great signal with ID as "Detroit's Superstation". (LGW-NY)
- 780 CFDR NS Dartmouth - 2/13 1715-1725 Good over WABS with CHR. 2/14 1747-1751 Good and alone on channel with CHR and local ads. 2/19 1810-1813 Loud and clear way over WBBM with CHR. (MD-MA)
- 790 WAEB PA Allentown - 2/19 1905 All alone, with *Accuweather* for area. (LGW-NY)
- 1200 WAGE VA Leesburg - 2/13 1945 Heard dominating frequency with local basketball game, "Seahawks vs. Eagles". (LGW-NY) (In case anyone is interested, that would be NC-Wilmington vs. American U. - db)
- 1320 CKEC NS New Glasgow - 2/20 2300 Good with ID and Shadoc Stevens *American Top 40* countdown. (BC-NH)
- 1350 WBSK VA Portsmouth - 2/20 2254 Weak with *Community Clipboard* and UVA basketball promo, briefly over WOYK. (BC-NH)
- 1410 WNCQ NY Watertown - 2/20 2159 Fair with ID as "Super Hit Country, the original Big Q Country for 15 years", under/over WPOP/CFMB. (BC-NH)
- 1450 WNOS NC New Bern - 2/23 2223 Actually heard NOS music on this frequency for second night in a row instead of usual talkers WILM/WFPG. At 2223 ID as "The Music of Your Life station, 1450, WNOS". (DB-DE)
- 1460 WVOX NY New Rochelle - 2/20 2055 Fair with pop music requests and dedications, Sade's *Smooth Operator* going out to Marie in Pelham, then sign off at 2100 with SSB, leaving CKRB in clear. (BC-NH)
- 1530 WRTP NC Chapel Hill - 2/13 1758 Tail end of *Overdrive* Christian rock program. Excellent. Ex-WRBX. (WPT-DC)

- 1550 WBCV TN Bristol - 2/11 1800-02 Atop with "...serving southwestern Virginia and northeast Tennessee, Radio 1550, WBCV" then into choral music, then lost. (RE-PA)
- 1560 WAGL SC Lancaster - 2/11 1811-15 CW then choral *America* then sign off announcement way over WQEW. (RE-PA)

REPORTERS

- RA-MA Ray Arruda, Acushnet, MA: SX-122, HQ-180A, Radio West Loop
- BC-NH Bruce Conti, Nashua, NH: R70, DX400, MWDX-5, 2-60 ft. wires
- MD-MA Marc DeLorenzo, Framingham, MA: Hyundai Car Radio
- RE-PA Russ Edmunds, Blue Bell, PA: Nissan Auto Radio & whip
- MH-NC Mike Hardester, Jacksonville, NC:
- WPT-DC Bill Townshend, Washington, DC: Sony ICF-2010
- EU-NY Ed Urzi, Centereach, NY: R5000 & LW
- LGW-NY Leslie Gregory Wood, North Merrick, NY: Superadio III
- DB-DE Dave Braun, Wyoming, DE: R-2000, Palomar Loop



Graveyard Achievements

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Distance records for stations logged on graveyard frequencies

1400 kc

Logged from Jan 1, 1960 to Present

Date of Last Update: Nov 28, 1992

WMSL	AL	Decatur	Joe Fela	Newark, NJ	819
WXAL		Demopolis	Robert Kramer	Chicago, IL	655
WJLD		Fairfield	Doug Smith	Nashville, TN	183
WFPA		Ft. Payne	Russ Edmunds	Parsippany, NJ	769
WJLD		Homewood	Steve Francis	Alcoa, TN	245
WJHO		Opelika	Charles Reh	Leamington, ON	667
AFRN	AK	Tok	Esa Hänninen	Lemmenjoki, Finland	3291
KXIV	AZ	Phoenix	Laurie Boyer	Invercargill, NZ	7400
KRVZ		Springerville	Jim Hilliker	Anaheim, CA	495
KTUC		Tucson	Don Kaskey	Sacramento, CA	740
KEZC		Yuma	Esa Hänninen	Lemmenjoki	5148
KELD	AR	El Dorado	Charles Reh	Leamington	932
KCLA		Pine Bluff	Robert Kramer	Chicago	785
KRE	CA	Berkeley	Eric McIntosh	Invercargill, NZ	7232
KREO		Indio	Mike Sanburn	Bellflower, CA	118
KQMS		Redding	Esa Hänninen	Lemmenjoki	4709
KSLY		San Luis Obispo	Gene Nix	Billings, MT	935
KAAP		Santa Paula	Don Kaskey	San Francisco, CA	305
KHOE		Truckee	Roy Millar	Marysville	581
KUKI		Ukiah	Frank Merrill	Nenana, AK	2035
KEYX		Visalia	Esa Hänninen	Lemmenjoki	4959
KRLN	CO	Canon City	Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg, MB	863
KDTA		Delta	Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg	938
KFTM		Ft. Morgan	Olle Alm	Abisko, Sweden	4374
KBZZ		La Junta	Roy Millar	Marysville	1161
KPAG		Pagosa Springs	Carl Dabelstein	Overland Park, KS	662
WSTC	CT	Stamford	Andy Rugg	Montreal, PQ	305
WILI		Willimantic	Jeff Falconer	Clinton, ON	487
WFTL	FL	Ft. Lauderdale	Bruce Conti	West Warwick, RI	1183
WIRA		Ft. Pierce	UK DXpedition	Sheigra, Scotland	4093
WNUE		Ft. Walton Beach	Charles Reh	Leamington	833
WERD		Jacksonville	Robert Kramer	Chicago	875
WUEZ		Sanford	Alan Imprescia	New York, NY	922
WPAS		Zephyrhills	Alan Imprescia	New York	1000
WWXX	GA	Alpharetta	Steve Francis	Alcoa	120

WCLB	Camilla	Karl Jeter	Stone Mountain, GA	182
WSGC	Elberton	Steve Francis	Alcoa	129
WNEX	Macon	Mike Csorbay	Canfield, ON	774
WMGA	Moultrie	Rich Eddie	St. Louis, MO	660
WSFB	Quitman	Karl Jeter	Stone Mountain	221
WSGA	Savannah	Rick Dau	Oakland, IA	1240
KART	ID	Esa Hänninen	Lemmenjoki	4471
KRPL		Esa Hänninen	Lemmenjoki	4233
KIGO		Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg	801
KSPT		Olle Alm	Abisko	4055
WDWS	IL	Joe Fela	Newark	741
WGLI		Esa Hänninen	Lemmenjoki	4196
WEOA	IN	Roy Millar	Marysville	1884
WBAT		Esa Hänninen	Lemmenjoki	4128
KCOG	IA	Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg	614
KVFD		Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg	544
KVOE	KS	Niel Wolfish	Winnipeg, MB	807
		Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg	(Tie) 807
		Olle Alm	Karesuando, Sweden	4443
KAYS		Hays		
WCYN	KY	Cynthia	Lincoln, NE	650
WIEL		Elizabethtown	Toledo, OH	286
WFPR	LA	Hammond	Marysville	2080
KAOK		Lake Charles	Lincoln	761
		Bob McCoy	Lincoln, NE	(Tie) 761
		Robert Kramer	Chicago	795
KWLA		Many		
WRDO	ME	Augusta	Omaha, NE	1333
WIDE		Biddeford	Petit Rocher, NB	380
WMCS		Machias	Youngstown, OH	740
WWIN	MD	Baltimore	Alcoa	469
WALE	MA	Fall River	Toronto, ON	450
WLLH		Lawrence	Easton, PA	225
WLLH		Lowell	Toronto	410
WHMP		Northampton	Scarborough, ON	352
WKNR	MI	Battle Creek	Alcoa	455
WQBH		Detroit	Winnipeg	887
WCY		Houghton	Winnipeg	473
WGON		Munising	Abisko	3642
WSAM		Saginaw	Winnipeg	757
WSJM		St. Joseph	Minton, ON	343
WKNW		Sault Ste. Marie	Valhalla Beach, MB	645
WTCM		Traverse City	East Lansing, MI	140
KEYL	MN	Long Prairie	Winnipeg	312
KMHL		Marshall	Marysville	1291
KEEY		St. Paul	Toledo	521
WHLB		Virginia	Lemmenjoki	3817
WBIP	MS	Booneville	Fairfield, CT	902
WJWF		Columbus	Staten Island, NY	896
WFOR		Hattiesburg	Alcoa	455
WJQS		Jackson	Milan, MI	750
KFRU	MO	Columbia	San Francisco, CA	1640
KJCF		Festus	Holland, OH	424
KSIM		Sikeston	Youngstown	605
KGBX		Springfield	Winnipeg	892
KDRG	MT	Deer Lodge	Lemmenjoki	4203
KXGN		Glendive	Leaf Rapids, MB	570
KARR		Great Falls	San Francisco	883
KJJR		Whitefish	Marysville	381
KBRB	NE	Ainsworth	God's Narrows, MB	935
KCOW		Alliance	Lemmenjoki	4530
KLIN		Lincoln	Lemmenjoki	4321
KBMI	NV	Henderson	Rapid City, SD	825
KWNA		Winnemucca	Abisko, Sweden	4556
WBRL	NH	Berlin	Binghamton, NY	294
WTSL		Hanover	Petit Rocher	425
WOND	NJ	Pleasantville	Anglesey, Wales	3335
KMIN	NM	Grants	San Diego, CA	552
KTRC		Santa Fe	Oakland	854
KCHS		Truth or Consequences	Wheat Ridge, CO	466

KTNM		Tucumcari		Jerry Starr	Hubbard, OH	1300
WABY	NY	Albany		UK DXPeditionf	Sheigra	3048
WYSL		Buffalo		Pat Hartlage	Louisville, KY	490
WDNY		Dansville		Laura McCusker	Lewistown, PA	132
WSLB		Ogdensburg		Charles Reh	Leamington	402
WGBC	NC	Greensboro		John Wilkins	West Des Moines, IA	832
WSIC		Statesville		Russ Edmunds	Kinnelon, NJ	495
WHCC		Waynesville		Steve Francis	Alcoa	60
WSMY		Weldon		Chris Lucas	Ithaca, NY	420
KEYJ	ND	Jamestown		Charles Reh	Leamington	859
WMAN	OH	Mansfield		Bob McCoy	Lincoln	742
WPAY		Portsmouth		Don Lynch	Lynn, MA	679
KWON	OK	Bartlesville		Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg	910
KTMC		McAlester		John Wilkins	Wheat Ridge	606
KNOR		Norman		Olle Alm	Karesuando	4644
KJVR	OR	Cave Junction		Esa Hänninen	Lemmenjoki	4613
KNND		Cottage Grove		Esa Hänninen	Lemmenjoki	4499
KJDY		John Day		Olle Alm	Abisko, Sweden	4344
KBCH		Lincoln City		Doug Lamerson	Kane'ohu, HI	2542
WEST	PA	Easton		Charles Reh	Leamington	394
WJET		Eric		Eric McIntosh	Invercargill	9141
				Laurie Boyer	Invercargill	(Tie) 9141
WFEC		Harrisburg		Andy Rugg	Montreal	390
WJAC		Johnstown		Joe Fela	Newark	250
WWSF		Loretto		Steve Francis	Alcoa	434
WKBI		St. Marys		Carl Dabelstein	Omaha	900
WICK	PA	Scranton		Frank Merrill	Milan	408
WRAC		Williamsport		Frank Merrill	Milan	353
WCOS	SC	Columbia		Roy Millar	Marysville	2354
WGTV		Georgetown		Ron Musco	Windsor, CT	700
WKDY		Spartanburg		Robert Kramer	Chicago	580
KBJM	SD	Lemmon		Mike Knitter	Rapid City	133
WJZM	TN	Clarksville		Dave Schmidt	New Castle, DE	670
WHUB		Cookeville		Forest Osborn	Hooker, OK	830
WLSB		Copperhill		Roy Millar	Marysville	2151
WKPT		Kingsport		Russ Edmunds	Parsippany	597
WGAP		Maryville		Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg	1198
WHAL		Shelbyville		Bill Bergadano	Staten Island	650
KUNO	TX	Corpus Christi		Roy Millar	Marysville	1941
KILE		Galveston		Wayne Heinen	Colorado Springs	872
KGVL		Greenville		Jerry Starr	Hubbard	1025
KIUN		Pecos		Roy Millar	Marysville	1552
KEYE		Perryton		Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg	947
KVOP		Plainview		Niel Wolfish	Winnipeg	1109
				Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg	(Tie) 1109
				Roy Millar	Marysville	1558
KDWT		Stamford		Roy Millar	Marysville	1751
KTEM		Temple		Rich Eddie	St. Louis	847
KVOU		Uvalde		Olle Alm	Abisko	4513
KSRR	UT	Provo		Tim Kerfoot	Toronto	310
WDOT	VT	Burlington		John Wilkins	West Des Moines	844
WINA	VA	Charlottesville		Steve Francis	Alcoa	190
WHHV		Hillsville		Russ Edmunds	Little Silver	264
WJMA		Orange		Andy Rugg	Montreal	615
WHIH		Portsmouth		Roy Millar	Marysville	2346
WHLF		South Boston		John Wilkins	West Des Moines	827
WINC		Winchester		Olle Alm	Abisko	4277
KLCK	WA	Goldendale		Esa Hänninen	Lemmenjoki	4343
KEDO		Longview		Esa Hänninen	Lemmenjoki	4253
KRSC		Othello		Olle Alm	Abisko	4175
KITZ		Silverdale		Don Kaskey	Sacramento	597
KTNT		Tacoma		Charles Reh	Leamington	229
WBOY	WV	Clarksburg		Tim Kerfoot	Toronto	420
WRON		Ronceverte		Andy Rugg	Waterloo, ON	325
WSPZ		Spencer		Esa Hänninen	Lemmenjoki	4054
WKWK		Wheeling		Robert Kramer	Chicago	406
WBTH		Williamson		Roy Millar	Marysville	1480
WATW	WI	Ashland		Charles Reh	Leamington	485
WBIZ		Eau Claire				

WDUZ		Green Bay	Morris Sorensen	God's Narrows	1035
WRJN		Racine	Frank Merrill	Milan	217
WRDB		Reedsburg	Niel Wolfish	Winnipeg	589
			Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg	(Tie) 589
WRIG		Wausau	Frank Merrill	Toledo	374
KATI	WY	Casper	Roy Millar	Marysville	840
KODI		Cody	Esa Hänninen	Lemmenjoki	4279
CKSQ	AB	Stettler	Esa Hänninen	Lemmenjoki	3811
CFLD	BC	Burns Lake	Roy Millar	Marysville	494
CHNK1		Clearwater	Tim Hall	Banff, AB	198
CKGR		Golden	Roy Millar	Marysville	351
CKRP		Princeton	Esa Hänninen	Lemmenjoki	4090
CJEK		Sparwood	Tim Hall	Banff	107
CBWG	MB	Gillam	Morris Sorensen	God's Narrows	200
CIHI	NB	Frederickton	Frank Dailey	Preston, CT	390
CBG	NF	Gander	Esa Hänninen	Ristina, Finland	3116
CKCB	ON	Collingwood	Shawn Axelrod	Winnipeg	925
CBOD		Maynooth	Tim Hall	Madawaska, ON	30
CKOB		Renfrew	Joe Kureth	Uniontown, MD	437
CBEE		Sturgeon Falls	Morris Sorensen	Emsdale, ON	74
CKRV	PQ	Drummondville	Rodney Valdron	Petit Rocher	350
CKFL		Lac Megantic	Charles Reh	Leamington	632
CJFP		Rivière du Loup	Esa Hänninen	Espoo, Finland	3583
CKRN		Rouyn	MB DXpedition*	Arnes	822
XEPF	BCN	Ensenada	Tim Hall	Chula Vista, CA	52
XEI	MICH	Morelia	Tim Hall	50mi W of Santiago Ixcuintla, NAY	335
XELH	NAY	Acaponeta	Tim Hall	20mi SE of Cabo San Lucas, BCS	256
XEEB	SIN	Culiacan	Richard E. Wood	Hilo	3058
PJB2	ATN	Bonaire	UK DXpeditionf	Sheigra	4548
2PK	NSW	Parkes	Roy Millar	Marysville	7832

UK DXpedition [Steve Whitt, Mark Hattam, Clive Rooms]
 * MB DXpedition [Shawn Axelrod, Wayne McRae]

International DX Digest

Foreign DX Catches. Times are UTC; for ELI, subtract 5 hrs.

By the time you read this I'll be in the Dominican Republic for a week on the beach, with radio in one hand, and cool beverage in the other. The location will be Puerto Plata on the northern coast of the island. I'm sure that I'll have some things of interest to report when I return! How delightful to receive César's report today to stimulate my DX appetite! Unfortunately, I will not be anywhere near Santo Domingo to arrange a visit with you, César.

PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 690 ANGUILLA Caribbean Beacon, 2/24 1002 - Man with ID, soliciting collect calls from Caribbean to 818-240-8151, Dixieland music, fair. [AQ-NY]
- 720 VENEZUELA R. Felicidad, Porlamar, 2/24 0955-1000 - Hyper DJ, shouted ads, timecheck, canned ID "YVQE, 720 kHz transmitiendo desde Margarita ... mas Radio Felicidad, onda ... de Venezuela!", music, fair. Porlamar is on the island of Margarita in the Caribbean. No doubt certain club lists would count this as a separate country. (Usually there's more water separation when an island counts as a separate country - Jim). Oh, and no mention of "Super Criolla" slogan (as in WRTH). [AQ-NY]
- 750 COLOMBIA RCR Caracas, 2/16 2329-2335 - Dominant and alone with non-stop news, EST timechecks, frequent IDs as "en Radio Caracas Radio, Red Nacional de Noticias". [AQ-NY]
- 760 CUBA R. Reloj, Guanabacoa, 2/14 0324 - Poor with time pips and "RR" Morse code on the minute under WJR. [DX*MB]
- 840 UNID 2/17 0220-0237 - Pretty much under WHAS, but bobbing up to top two or three times with Woman in French or Creole, then religious music on organ. Is Haiti active here? [AQ-NY] (I don't believe St. Lucia is on at night, so it probably was Haiti, especially since you heard religious music. Listen for "Amazing Grace" Interval Signal on the hour - Jim)
- 860 CUBA R. Reloj, ????, 2/14 0358 - New, under CKBF-2 with Reloj program. [DX*MB]

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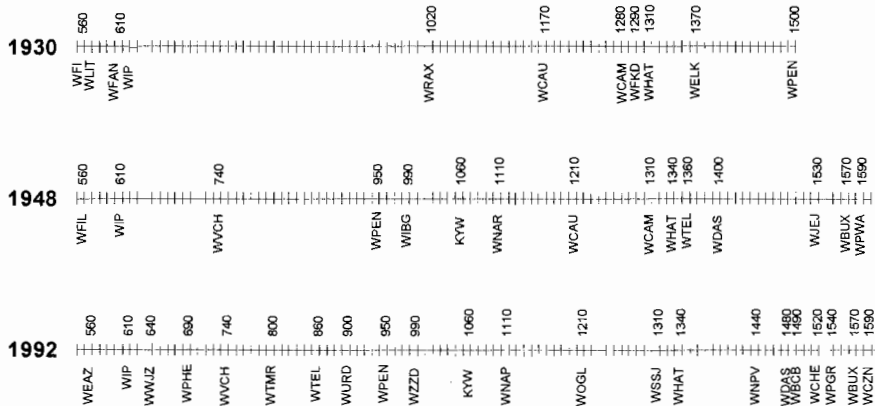
- 885 MONTERRAT Plymouth, 2/12 0013-0215 - Good signal during this time, with man and woman announcers, pop music and the news at 0200. Haven't heard recently, and sounds like a power increase. They DXed once for the NRC. [BD-PA] 2/16 2314-2329 - In WCBS splash with man in program of obituaries, many mentions of Plymouth and Montserrat. [AQ-NY] (See last week's IDXD for more information about this - Jim)
- 900 MEXICO XEW, Mexico DF, 2/21 0744-0830 - Good at times with Mexican music, but fell prey to CHML/CKTS in long deep fades. [BC-NH]
- 940 CUBA R. Reloj, Colon, 2/14 0348 - New, over CJGX, with Reloj program. [DX*MB]
- 940 MEXICO XEQ, Mexico DF, 2/21 0732 - Excellent with ID "XEQ ... en la banda de amplitudo modulada ... la frecuencia del amor", and romantic Mexican music, way over R. Reloj. [BC-NH] 2/23 0400 - "Esta es XEQ" ID, also mentioning address, poor with WJPC splash, no CBM due to snow, died between 0410 and 0415, back with fair signal and ranchera music at 0419. [TJR-IL]
- 1001 UNID - Het heard most nights here is, I believe, Cuban, although Al Merriman thought it was Colombian. But in my recent trip to Fort Myers FL this het could be heard all day, along with about 30 other Cubans coming in with fair to very strong signals. Most of these from western Cuba. [BD-PA]
- 1050 MEXICO XEG, Monterrey, 2/23 0423 - Ranchera music, promotion for concert in Bolivia, "La ranchera de Monterrey" slogan, references to Tamps and Nuevo Leon, fair signal. [TJR-IL]

AM 910 La Red

Now and Then John D. Bowker

Dial changes in AM markets, from 1930 to 1948 to 1992

PHILADELPHIA MARKET NOTE USE OF SHARED FREQUENCIES



- 1180 CUBA R. Rebelde, Habana, 2/14 0030 - New, excellent, totally dominating the frequency, strong on all three wires, WHAM barely in there. Many mentions of Cuba by man doing Spanish talk. Several Rebelde IDs // 5025 SW for over one hour or more. Signals finally dropped off enough to hear WHAM easily about 0200. UNID Spanish station underneath on and off, VOA? [DX*MB] (Might be R. Rebelde feed over powerful R. Taino - Jim)
- 1210 VENEZUELA R. Anzoátegui, 2/15 0441 - IDing as "R. Anzoátegui la radio 1210 del Oriente", the jingle with same ID, then time. "Están en sintonía con Anzoátegui, la radio" repeated many times, good. [CO-DR]
- 1230 VENEZUELA R. Valera, Valera, 2/12 0118 - IDed at end of romantic song, then a song by Los Panchos, a famous (since 40s and 50s) LA trio with guitars. The program was entitled "Recuerdos" (memories). [CO-DR]
- 1230 COLOMBIA R. Calidad, Cali, 2/12 0128 - With a program entitled "Las Noches Bohemias de R. Calidad", ID, among the melodies were Mexican rancheras, ad for appliance store. 2/15 0435 - Heard again, giving time as 11:35, so it seems that they have returned to their old UTC-5 time. [CO-DR]
- 1240 PUERTO RICO R. Oriental, WALO, Humacao, 2/12 0047 - ID during basketball game between Universidad Central de Bayamón and Universidad de Turabo. Very good, many ads for enterprises in Humacao. [CO-DR]
- 1250 COLOMBIA HJCA R. Capital, Bogotá, 2/15 0433 - "R. Capital, HJCA, Bogotá, Todelar está en todas partes" (Todelar is everywhere), ID at 0435, then a tango, very good. The time was given as 11:35 - what? Back to their normal time zone? The change of time in Colombia caused problems and there were many protests, perhaps because of this they returned to UTC-5. [CO-DR] (Or maybe different stations and localities are keeping time as they please? - Jim)
- 1250 COLOMBIA R. Reloj, Cúcuta, 2/12 0455 - IDed with EST time check, then a song. More proof that Colombia is returning to UTC-5. [CO-DR]
- 1280 COLOMBIA HJNB R. Suroeste, Concordia, 2/15 0500 - ID as "R.

- Suroeste, HJNB, Concordia, Antioquia", also announcing 15,000 watts (my old WRTH says 1000 watts. Wishes everybody "Felices Sueños" (happy dreams), then sign off with no National Anthem. [CO-DR]
- 1340 COLOMBIA R. Uno, Bogotá, 2/12 0100 - Starting program "Parranda Vallenata" after ID. A very happy speaker announcing the music. Then many ads. Accordion music is heard sung by the same man. [CO-DR]
- 1400 COLOMBIA/PUERTO RICO Antena Dos, RCN, unID site, 2/12 0105 - No location mentioned, Calarcá or Santa Bárbara? With fútbol game between "América" and "Atlético" clubs at Medellín playing for "Copa Libertador". Also a Puerto Rican station is heard alternating with RCN with a religious program, supposed to be WIDA, R. Vida, Carolina. [CO-DR]
- 1490 VENEZUELA R. Favoritas del Sol, Maracaibo - With a religious program entitled "MRC" (Movimiento Renovador Cristiano). The dominating station on this frequency. [CO-DR]
- 1700 BRAZIL CRJ Maraba, 2/14 0040 - Beacon in Morse code, good. [DX*MB]
- 2390 MEXICO XEJN Huayacocotla, 2/14 0315 - Good with Mexican music. [DX*MB]

Shawn speaks: Had to cut our trip short. Was -22 degrees C on 2/14, but 2/15 was to be -28 degrees with windchill of -40. Went home to stay warm. Still waist deep near the DX bus. Found that out when I fell in up to my rear-end (with feet on ground or in the air? - Jim). We had lots of fun. Just have to get some of you southern types up here for one of these? Takers? (see my travel plans at top of this column! - Jim)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX

- 1615 NEW ZEALAND OR Ohura, 2/14 1249 - Beacon in code, only DU heard, no hets at sunrise. [DX*MB]

TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- 936 GERMANY Bremen, 2/9 0350 - In briefly with German night program. [BD-PA]



ondas del ulúa

La Voz de Santa Bárbara
ONDA CORTA 4770 BANDA DE 80 Mts.
ONDA MEDIA 1150 - 1120 KHZ 80.1 F. M.
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8424-07
Santa Bárbara, Honduras, C. A.

- 1152 ROMANIA Cluj, 2/9 0340 - Quite strong for a few minutes with talk in Romanian and music. [BD-PA]
- 1161 BULGARIA Stara Zagora, 2/9 0340 - Heard with clear signal, man speaking. [BD-PA]
- 1188 HUNGARY Szolnok, 2/9 0345 - Talk show very clear during TA upsurge. One of my early veries, 1958, when known as R. Petofo. Fades quickly. [BD-PA]
- 1215 ALBANIA Lushnje, 2/9 0340 - Heard again with an Eastern European language. Not sure what the Albanians are up to these days, I mean with regard to their external broadcasting services. [BD-PA] (Last I heard is that they're selling time to TWR Monaco - Jim)
- 1359 SPAIN Arganda, 2/9 2230 - Again a very strong signal (my armchair, Jim!) at this time and after. Heard often. Seems to be on regular service. All over 1360 kHz. [BD-PA] (Where can I get one of those armchairs? - Jim)
- 1395 ALBANIA Lushnje 2/21 0510 - Very good signal with man speaking in an Eastern European language, but didn't sound like German which WRTH shows on sked at that hour. This followed a transmission from 1458 kHz in an unID language. [BD-PA]
- 1458 ALBANIA Lushnje, 2/21 0426 - A strong carrier came on at this time, with short "bips" followed by piano music, and then a man speaking in Albanian (probably). Had an excellent signal, but seemed to shut down at 0500 when 1395 took over.
- 1476 AUSTRIA Vienna, 2/9 0325 - Signal way up with usual classical music. [BD-PA]
- 1503 UNID, probably Poland, 2/21 0440 - Strong carrier, but couldn't get audio. [BD-PA]
- 1557 MALTA Cyclops, 2/20 2312-2330 - Strong, clear signal with man and woman speaking in German, relaying Deutsche Welle. Seemed to go off at 2400. I had been hearing this station at this time of the evening but previously had difficulty IDing the language. No question this time. By the way, I was in Malta three years ago and saw this transmitter. Broadcasts in English in the morning and at other times in Arabic. [BD-PA]
- 1566 TUNISIA Sfax, 2/17 2315 - Two men with conversation in Arabic. Heard

well again on 2/20 between 2300 and 2315. Woman in Arabic, followed by soft Arabic music. Station seems to go off at 2330. [BD-PA]

- 1575 SPAIN / GERMANY mixed, 2/20 2250-2300 - The Spanish station with talk, not often heard this early in the evening. [BD-PA]
- 1584 SPAIN various sites, 2/20 2250-2300+ - Men in conversation as usual, strong and clear, SER program. As noted above, these stations don't usually come in until later in the evening. [BD-PA]
- 1611 VATICAN 2/9 0320 - A regular, more or less, in again with a good signal with woman speaker at this time, station ID at 0320. This station with its 15 kW usually doesn't show until this time of evening. [BD-PA]
- Ben speaks: I will be in London and Paris the last week of March and the first week of April. I will try to check out any TA questions that are bothering anyone.

STATION NEWS

BULGARIA: The Kaliakra 2 x 500 kW 1125 kHz transmitter will not be on the air in 1993. Negotiating with VOA to finish the project and then renting is going on. Negotiations with BBC, Russia and Deutsche Welle is also going on. [SK, BG via BE in ARC 2/12/93]

COLOMBIA: HJAI 1040 R. Tropical, Barranquilla heard here [EPC in R. Panorama in ARC 2/12/93] (which some of us have heard in North America - Jim)

CUBA: 1110 CMKO R. Angulo carries R. Rebelde after R. Angulo s/off. [LARP in ARC 2/12/93]

GERMANY: 1044 DT-64, MDR's program for young people, has reduced power to 150 kW from 250 kW. [MDR's DX program via BE in ARC 2/12/93]

GUATEMALA: 1520 R. Tayajata, Santa Elena, new station. [LARP in ARC 2/12/93]

PERU: Peru has joined the UTC-4 area from January 1st. However, Loreto, Puno and Cusco are excluded. [HK in UKVK in ARC 2/12/93]



RUSSIA; FEBC Russia 783 Blagoveschensk will start a Korean service from February 1, 1400-1900 UTC. [Media Roundup via BE in ARC 2/12/93]

SOMALIA: The Voice of the Unified Task Force is heard daily broadcasting in Somali and English around noon on 1480/7400 kHz. [Media Network via BE in ARC 2/12/93] (Low power, I would imagine - Jim)

SPAIN: RNE5 1476 Bilbao varying to 1476.08, SER R. Santander 1485 on 1485.02 exact. [ARC 2/12/93] 531 RNE5 Cordoba ex 1476 kHz, 585 RNE1 Andalucia new transmitter, 936 RNE 5 Zaragoza ex 1413. [Frekvensnytt via DXclusive #649 in ARC 2/12/93]

TA FORUM

This from Ben Dangerfield: "On Friday the 19th I had the pleasure of participating in a TA forum at the ANARC/SWL meeting in Kulpville, PA. Dave Schmidt led our

delegation, and Kermit Geary and Andy Rugg talked about logging TAs, along with me. We had a nice audience and some good questions were asked. Alan Merriman also attended the meeting."

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[BD-PA] Ben Dangerfield, Wallingford PA

[BC-NH] Bruce Conti, Nashua NH; R70, DX400, MWDX-5, 2 x 60' wires.

[CO-DR] César Objío, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic; Realistic TRF, Realistic DX-400, 4' loop.

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KEN ONYSCHUK - 1643 OLIVE ROAD - HOMEWOOD, IL 60430

----- Hello again from this avid NBA fan! I also follow Chicago area HS basketball but find it hard to hear important games because some stations have changed format and won't broadcast them. I do realize that broadcasting is a business, area stations in Joliet, Aurora, Waukegan and Hammond, IN do well in local coverage but others can't sell the time for seasonal HS basketball. Thanks to JERRY STARR for the sheet on WWKB. I remember when WCFL used to carry day games in the 60's from Major League Baseball. Unfortunately, WWKB has a poor signal here as KOMA is dominant with rock/oldies. DX to mention, on 12/27 at my brothers home in Ukrainian Village (Chicago N side), I managed to log WR1K-750 o/u WSB just after the 5 PM network news but couldn't count it due to distance, I'll get it here eventually. I do enjoy a Sunday night pro Wrestling show on WSB at 8 PM but it is hard to listen to due to the erratic signal of YVKS that I finally IDed last Sunday at 8:25PM. Also, KTBT-700 heard 12/13 5PM carrying the Cowboys, in good with WLW nulled. Yeah, I tolerated the game long enough to ID it-hi! 12/27 KUOJ-880 heard with gospel program 4:30PM-4:40PM. And a special thanks to DR. BRUCE ELVING for fixing my Superadio. I'm hoping for a lot of years of DX on it but I'll also mention that I'm in the market for an R390A eventually this year. Recently, I tried organizing my logbook notes/totals and note that I've got 997 stations heard. I figure I'll get that 1000th eventually. Local WCGO-1600 is all talk now from 6A-7P, live and Sun network, 7-11PM is MoR with Keith Middleton, weekend is similar plus Spanish after 2PM til 11PM sign off. WTAS-FM is LMA'ed with WWHN and KWHN-FM, gospel programming. I hope PAUL shares the article on Chicago area radio by John R. Christ, a former broadcaster. I also taped a 2 hour interview with him from the morning show on WCGO and will send a copy to JOHN BOWKER. Good DX!

ROY H. MILLAR - 13714 30th AVE NW - MARYSVILLE, WA 98271-7007

----- "Update" of my MUSTING that appeared in the 2/1 DX NEWS re CBLR-1010 verie: A later, and 'closer' listen to a good CBW-990 signal at sign on disclosed that it is Red Lake, ON that is last on the W ON list that is recited at sign on rather than Red Rock. I was able to locate all 16 listed W ON LPRTs that are listed and the feed they are on, all W & N of Thunder Bay, ON whereas Red Rock is E of Thunder Bay. I felt a follow up letter to CBC/MB was in order and a quick response came through from Regional Eng, reading in part: "the list of the ON locations/call signs/frequencies I sent you is a little out of date, I do not have a more recent document here in MB, however if you really want one, I can request the Engineering office in Toronto to send you one" (Starr, Heinen please note)... Continuing: "one of the changes on the list is Red Lake, there is no longer AM radio in Red Lake, ON, only FM on 90.5"... "I thought Thunder Bay, ON sent Winnipeg programming E on 1F8 and that you would have picked up Red Rock, it being the closest to the W...." "In speaking with Thunder Bay today, they advised me that no Winnipeg programming goes E of Thunder Bay"... so scratch my old claim of my most distant LPRT, CBLR-1010, or the idea that it might have been CBEA-1010 Red Lake, ON. Just a fleeting wonder, which I'm not going to follow up on, is whether or not CBEA has vacated 1010 as of the date of my reception, 10/24/92 or if there is any LPRTs in MB itself that operate on 1010, I would gather from my correspondence that there are none left in MB. So it must have been some weird spur of a strong CBW-990, beating against local KOMO-1000, emerging on 1010. I haven't seen such a thing otherwise. Nice verie from the KZAM-780 DX TEST, must say that I never received a verie from such a 'minimal' tentative report, but I had no luck nulling KROW to any extent, nice listing of 'coast to coast' responses to said test included with the verie. 73

RAY ARRUDA - 47 BURT STREET - ACUSHNET, MA 02743-1939

----- With many stations going to a news/talk format on AM, I feel that it is an advantage to DXers. It's much easier to look for a station testing under a talker than a rocker! This DX season has been a very good one for me and it's still not over. Thanks once again to the noble CPC efforts, many tests, some at great distances have been logged that included code ID's. Recent veries: WEAZ-560, WMT-600-TEST, WFLD-870, CBZ-970 & WMUS-1090-TEST. Letter from WEAZ-560 on "WISH" letterhead calls themselves WISH so I guess no call change yet. MM 2/22: KBOA-830 test made it here fair/poor under CFWR with code ID's, voice ID's and march music from 1:12 til 1:40AM fade out, for the 3rd new "K" call this season. Finally after many tries, 600 Montreal reported as CIQC with CW music, IDs weak in WICC null on 2/21 6:50-7:10AM, was never reported as CFCF. We are looking forward to seeing many of you at NRC's 60th in Enfield this upcoming Labor Day weekend. 73

By Mark Perry

Thanks to the efforts of a former broadcaster, the rich legacy of Chicago-area radio is being preserved in a new book, titled "Valley Voices: A History of Radio Broadcasting in Northern Illinois and Northwest Indiana 1916-1992."

John Russell Christ, who once operated a tiny radio station in South Holland and last worked for WFPXW in Geneva and as a traffic reporter for WMAQ, has spent the past six years researching all of the radio stations that ever existed in the area. The result is a 450-page tome that highlights not only the familiar stations still on the air today but also the small community stations that are now only memories.

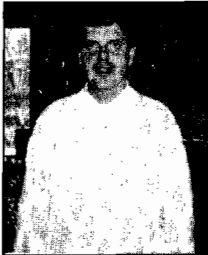
"I got out of the broadcast business a few years ago and moved to Elgin," noted Christ, "and somebody was showing me an old building up here where WGN was located in the 1920s."

"The local historical society was interested in a little article about it, so I researched the whole thing. And since that station was involved closely with other stations, it led to a book about radio in the Fox Valley. One thing led to another, and it ended up being a book about radio in northern Illinois and northwest Indiana."

"Valley Voices" begins with a summary of early radio and the innovations and developments that led to the first radio stations, then proceeds to highlight every radio station that ever existed in the Chicago and northwest Indiana area.

Included are 150 photos of radio personalities, old radio studio buildings and transmitter locations, and each station listing includes broadcast frequency, power outputs and major on-air personnel.

"There's over 80 documented stations, with a total of 184 mentioned.



John Russell Christ (above) researched the history of Chicago area radio for "Valley Voices," and highlights the efforts of many radio pioneers, including the late Earl Vieaux (right), a prominent Chicago Heights newscaster. *WCGO*

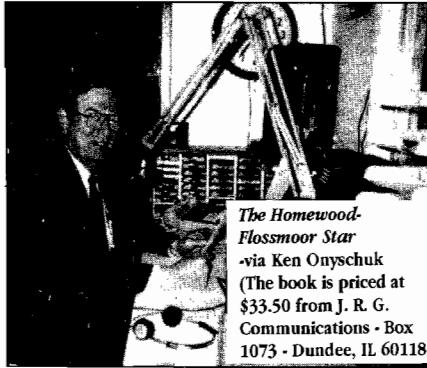
If you had a radio station in 1925, I've got it in there," said Christ.

Christ noted that the heyday of Chicago area radio was probably between 1920s - "You had a lot of people with good intentions on the air then, but when the FCC came along they closed a lot of them down," he said - and Chicago Heights briefly had its own radio station in that era. WCBZ, the first broadcasting station of any kind in the south Cook County area.

Anthony Coppotelli and his brothers, Carl and Frank, who owned a music store at 20 Illinois St., established the station in 1924, and the first broadcast was on May 9 of that year.

"The two-hour broadcast opening night featured numerous city officials, the Cadillac Quartet, baritone James Funk and the Rhythm Kings Orchestra," Christ reports in "Valley Voices."

"Most of the programming back then was live and local," he related.



The Homewood-Flossmoor Star - via Ken Onyschuk (The book is priced at \$33.50 from J. R. G. Communications - Box 1073 - Dundee, IL 60118)

"In the case of WCBZ, you had bunch of people gathering about once or twice a week. You had an orchestra, a piano player and a local singer, and maybe they'd get the fire chief or the mayor to come in and do a little talk. There weren't any networks or newscasts, it was all entertainment."

The WCBZ studio, which was erected inside the Coppotelli music house, measured 90 feet by 15 feet, with wall-to-wall drapes to deaden the echoes. On a large stand in the center of the room stood the station's microphone.

WCBZ had a brief history, however. Coppotelli sold the radio station in April of 1925 to the Neutrownd Radio Company of Chicago, who planned to move the station to Homewood. He made a brief return to radio in September of 1927 with WJZZ, but the station was only on the air for a year.

"Valley Voices" also includes the personal remembrances of Roy Pamler, who was the engineer for

both WCBZ and WJZZ, and lengthy sections on various other south-suburban radio stations, including current broadcast outlets WCGO and WTAS, which continue to serve the Chicago Heights area.

"I think it's important to preserve all of this history," Christ said. "It's always amazing when you go into a town and see a storefront or old building and tell people that used to be a radio station."

"Much emphasis is placed on stations that are no longer on the air, and the people who worked there, and many of the pictures are of buildings that at one time housed radio stations."

"I spent a lot of time talking to people to get this information," Christ added. "It was scattered around in old newspapers and old broadcast yearbooks. Now it's all between the same two covers. When people want to know about the local history or write up a paper on it, it's all in one place."

BILL MOSER - P O BOX 567 - PIERRE, SD 57501

My Pierre AM log now lists 608 stations heard, my lifetime verie count is at 1566. I noted the absence of KZMX-580 on 2/16. This gave me the opportunity to get a report for a weak but steady CKY and add WKTY and KFXD to my log. A call to KZMX was unanswered so I do not know if this is a temporary or permanent shut down. My latest verie is from KGAK-1330. CE Jeff Heck sent the following information of interest to DX listeners: Mon. through Fri., KGAK broadcasts in English from 6AM til Noon, and from 5PM til 11PM. From Noon til 5PM, they broadcast in Navajo. Sundays schedule is religious programming from 7-9AM, English 9AM til noon, Zuni language from Noon til 3PM and English 3PM to 10PM, no Sat. schedule was given. KGAK is a Mutual affiliate. The Cuban on 1180 is being heard at armchair strength here lately. Fidel must be using all the power generated on the island to feed the transmitter! 73s to all from Dakota Territory!

RICK DAU - 917 E. COLLEGE ST., #6 - IOWA CITY, IA 52240-5513

Well, 1993 started off like molasses in Jan., DX wise, at this locale, very slow! Only picked up 5 new ones for sure, 6 pending verification of an UN-Ided heard on 1/4 which I'll mention later. Feb. has been much kinder, mainly because I've more motivation to get out of bed at 5 in the morning! Best catch in 93 to date have been 2 DX TESTS from NH (WNTK verified), plus WAVD-1400, my 1st graveyard catch from AL. Had a great time at the NRC convention in Omaha over Labor Day weekend, was a pleasure to meet veteran DXers JOHN CALLARMAN, FRED VORBE and PHIL WAYNE for the 1st time. I definitely plan on making it to Enfield this year. There is a get-together in LaCrosse, WI tentatively slated for May 15-16 hosted by Waterloo, IA DXer JIM CONRAD. I should make it up there for that one as well. And lest I forget, the 4th annual HADX bash is coming this fall and hosted by yours truly. For now, it looks like 10/30 in Debuque, IA (home of NRCer LEN KRUSE), more info on that in coming months. Now for the UNIDs: 1) someone heard on 1220 with a mention of the "Commodore Radio Network" (obviously Vanderbilt football) back on 11/28 at 4:11PM CST; 2) UNID on 540 with 60's and 70's oldies at the same time as KNAX's 1/4 DX TEST, were oldies part of the test?; 3) UNID with the Jim Bohannon show on 600 during WMT's 1/31 test, log suggests WSUS but I want to be sure; and 4) UNID on 1230 heard at 12:13AM CST on 2/15 with a mention of "Canada Coast to Coast", which is the all-night CW music show up there. Any help on these would be greatly appreciated. That's all from Hawkeyeland. 73!

KARL V. JETER - 2115 SCARBROUGH ROAD - STONE MOUNTAIN, GA 30086

Greetings once again. The season is well underway and my DXing time has been very limited, I have been attempting most of the scheduled tests with some interesting results. As of this writing, my 'day of matrimony' is now 5 weeks away on 3/27. We are planning a trip to CO-UT-AZ-NM for our honeymoon and plan to hit some of the sights out there, including the Grand Canyon, the Arches National Park and whatever else we have time for. Since most of my DX has centered around the CPC schedules, I thought I would run down the results so far this season. One advantage of being self-employed is being able to work my schedule so I can try for the tests! (I hope you don't get busy-hi!-DWS). The highlight definitely has to be KCNO-570 which was heard during their 11/30 Test, with code ID's. They verified and it represents CA #8 and the 1st since 76 with KPNC. On 1/4, WNTK-1020 was also heard with code ID's, verie #3 from NH. KNED-1150 was tentatively picked up on 12/21 with weak code, a tape and report sent and they verified. On 1/11 while attempting the KDES-920 TEST (with local WAFS nullied), I instead bagged CKNX-920 with "Country Coast to Coast" programming around 4:05AM so a nice compensation for not hearing the test. Verie in from CKNX was #24 from ON. 1/25 tuned in for the KAZM-780 TEST and heard only a couple of 15 second tone bursts around 3:14AM so sent a tentative report and tape to them and they verified for AZ #4! 1/31 WMT-600 heard well on their test with code ID's and even some audio and voice ID's made it! Their verie, much to my surprise, was the 1st from a IA station for me since 1980! A report is out to KLEE-1480 for their 2/7 TEST, heard between 1:04-1:40AM with tones and code ID's. Also heard the WWC-1590 TEST on 2/13 which made it with a few weak code ID's after 12:18AM. That same AM, a tentative log on the WERK-990 TEST, with possible weak code ID's around 4:10AM. Virtually all of these new loggings were possible because of the inclusion of code ID's into virtually every DX TEST aired nowadays! Verie count has inched up to 1498 and I am just wondering how long it will take me to get the next 2! I saw CHUCK HUTTON over the holidays before his return to Madrid, and he says he will be back in the states for good by this summer, will be nice to have him back in town. I received the new Grove Enterprises catalog recently, and I was amazed to see they are located in Brasstown, NC which is only about 10 miles from my future in-laws home! 73's

GERRY THOMAS - 3635 CHASTAIN WAY - PENSACOLA, FL 32504

Just a quick note to relay a few thoughts/happenings from around here. First, a new TIS station started broadcasting from here in Jan. It broadcasts from the Gulf Islands National Seashore across the bay in Gulf Breeze, FL on 1610 and is an easy S9 around the clock in my shack. I don't know the call or other particulars yet but will forward them on when I do. The 2nd thing has to do with the demise this past summer of my 250' mini beverage, the lot adjacent to my house and running SE to the bay, was purchased last year. It was cleared (along

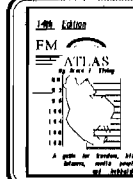
with my antenna farm) and a house was built this past autumn. Just as depression was setting in, the new owners put up a privacy fence contiguous with mine. This allowed me to string a wire at a fixed 5' height the full length of both fences (300'). Having learned my lesson with early beverage endeavors, I immediately tried it and was astounded to hear, at high noon, Jamaica on 700 at S9! I had never heard Jamaica before during daylight in all my years of DXing! Just on a lark, I tried the Quantum Loop and there was Jamaica at S7! So, either Jamaica has raised its power or the ionosphere has been very cooperative this past winter. Speaking of the ionosphere, the past 2 years around March 15th have seen auroras visible here in FL. I'm anxious to see if there is a repeat performance here this year. And speaking of beverages, I was astounded to hear that Harold Beverage died just last year at the age of 99. I thought he had died decades ago, we should have invited him to one of our conventions as a guest speaker. That's it, 73

BEN DANGERFIELD - 202 GOVERNORS DRIVE - WALLINGFORD, PA 19086

I certainly enjoyed my little trip up to the ANARC Winterfest in Kulpsville, PA on 2/19. The weather was good, for a change, and the Blue Route (I-476) sure makes travelling around Philadelphia much easier and quicker. It was great to see AL MERRIMAN, ANDY RUGG and yourself, Dave, once again, and to meet KERMIT GRARY, HARRY MAYO & JOHN TIEDECK. I thought the TA forum went along quite well and that what Kermit, Andy and I had to say on the subject all kind of dove-tailed nicely. There seemed to be a real interest in MW TA DX, with a lot of good questions, and I hope, maybe, that we have generated a spark to get SWL DXers and others trying this part of our hobby. The woman from the VOA told me she found it fascinating. And I thought Andy made a good point when he brought up the subject of what to do when a lot of TA's suddenly come in at once. Which ones do you go after? It doesn't happen too often (unfortunately) but you should have some plan of attack. You can't tape or log them all simultaneously and often the signals fade out in a 1/2 hour or so. I found out that by switching back & forth quickly, you can log about 2 stations at a time. It helps if they have the same programming. And, Dave, I also enjoyed our get-together around the lunch table and the discussion on area stations, especially your story about the snake that shorted out the transmitter down in MD. 2/20 brought some pretty good TA reception, almost all of which was on the high end of the band. At 6 in the evening, the Deutsche Welle relay in Malta on 1557 was blasting in with German, while next door on 1566 was Sfax, Tunisia, doing well in Arabic and the low powered Spain SER network station on 1575 & 1584 sounded like locals. Monte Carlo-1467 was also very good at that hour. Later, the Albanians on 1458 & 1395 did an act, with 1458 coming on lat at 11:30PM, and then, on 1395, starting up at midnight with what sounded like the same guy talking. Very strong signals. I think I also had the Polish station on 1503 around the same time, but couldn't get enough audio to read it so gave up and went to bed. I will get a chance to hear that one and many others over there in Sept., as I will be travelling in Germany (Berlin included), Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, the Czech Republic and Austria. And as I reported in my last MUSING, we will be in London and Paris in late March/early April. I intend to keep MUSING!

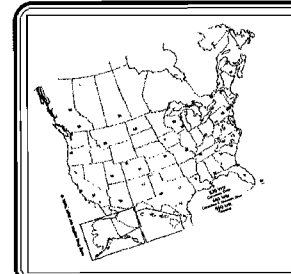
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A busy, busy week, the FCC has been out in the area visiting/inspecting stations of late, especially directionals, so everyone wants their stuff checked to make sure they're legal. A couple of reports are on hand for the next issue of MUSINGS so stay tuned! 73's



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