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From the Publisher: Some interesting news from the FCC about its plans to revitalize AM Radio this week in AM Switch.

The coming of fall means the revitalization of the MW DX season here. Time to dust off those receivers, fix up those antennas, and don't forget to send your tips to your favorite editors.

Wayne Heinen has been on the ham bands dealing with the massive Colorado flood situation, doing what ham radio operators do in circumstances like that. So no *AM Radio Log* updates in this week's AM Switch, but Wayne'll be back with a double helping next week.

Publications: Don't forget that the TWO essential tools for your 2013-2014 DX season are now available from NRC Publications: the 34th Edition of the *AM Radio Log* and the 7th Edition of the *Antenna Pattern Book*. For more information, see below for the *Log* and page 8 for the *Pattern Book*. These all-volunteer efforts build on the work of many NRC members (not just Wayne and Paul) and are available at discounted prices to club members. If you haven't ordered yours yet, what are you waiting for?

Unreported DDXD Stations: Just one station (KLEX-1570) was reported to DDXD in this issue for the first time since at least Volume 67 (1999-2000); 564 more such stations to go!

Perseus Auction: At this year's convention, John Callarman donated his fresh-out-of-the-box Perseus SDR to the club, to be auctioned for the benefit of the NRC. Bids will be accepted until November 1. For details see page 18.

Getting Started in MW DXing: When your publisher first joined the NRC back in 1977-1978 or so, I remember that dues for new members were \$2

higher than renewals, because we all got these nice "Getting Started in MW DXing" booklets that provided a lot of helpful information about the hobby not otherwise available.

The book has been updated since then ... most recently in 1995, which frankly is not very recent. And some time ago the book stopped going automatically to new members, but is just offered for sale through NRC Publications and the nrndxas.org web site.

So it's time to update this volume and – in keeping with the updating theme – to think about how we get this info out to new DXers and new and potential NRC members in the 21st century. This is the sort of thing that cries out to be a multimedia Web presence – to educate people about the MW DX hobby, help people discover the fun and challenge of it, and encourage them in the hobby and maybe even to join the NRC.

Want to help? Ideas for topics? E-mail David Yocis at NRCDXNews@gmail.com.

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AM Switch

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After a lot of talk over the last few years, FCC Acting Chairwoman Mignon Clyburn announced in a speech to the National Association of Broadcasters 2013 Radio Show in Orlando on September 18 that she has circulated a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking aimed at the renewal of AM broadcasting. Although the notice itself doesn't seem to have been published by the FCC yet, the notice contains the following six proposals, according to Chairwoman Clyburn's speech:



“One, opening a one-time filing window, limited to current AM licensees and permittees, which will allow each to apply for one new FM translator station to fill in its service area.

“Two, relaxing the AM daytime community coverage rule to allow existing AM broadcasters more flexibility to propose antenna site changes.

“Three, and similar to the second proposal, relaxing the AM nighttime community coverage standards, which will also provide broadcasters, who may have difficulty finding suitable sites, relief for towers and directional arrays.

“Four, eliminating the AM “ratchet rule,” which requires an AM station to “ratchet back” its nighttime signal to reduce interference to certain other AM stations. The rule, while intended to reduce nighttime AM interference, has instead discouraged service improvements and has apparently resulted in a net loss of interference-free AM, nighttime service.

“Five, permitting wider implementation of Modulation Dependent Carrier Level, or ‘MDCL’ control technologies, which allow broadcasters to reduce power consumption. We propose to allow AM stations to implement MDCL operation by simply notifying the Commission, rather than having to seek experimental authorization or waiver.

“And six, modifying AM antenna efficiency standards by reducing minimum effective field strength values by approximately 25 percent, thus allowing the use of shorter AM antennas.”

FCC Commissioner Ajit Pai, who has been making something of a name for himself as a champion of revitalizing AM radio, issued this statement:

“I applaud Chairwoman Mignon Clyburn for circulating a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking aimed at revitalizing AM radio. The item outlines many promising ideas for improving the service offered by AM broadcasters and reducing the regulatory burdens placed on AM stations.

“AM radio is older than the Federal Communications Commission. It has been an integral part of American culture for decades. But the AM band faces many challenges today, which is why I proposed one year ago tomorrow that the FCC launch an initiative to revitalize it. Since then, I've heard from AM broadcasters and listeners all across the country asking the FCC to take action. Today, thanks to Chairwoman Clyburn's leadership, we have taken the first step in responding to their voices.”

(By the way, Ron Schiller has sent along this link to an interesting article in the September 8 New York *Times* about AM radio and Commissioner Pai's efforts: <http://nyti.ms/19z0j8C> (“A Quest to Save AM Before It's Lost in the Static”).)

We'll let you know when the FCC actually publishes the proposal in the Federal Register, as well as how to submit comments for FCC consideration. (Check the FCC web site at www.fcc.gov, or www.federalregister.gov for the official published version.) Comments can be on the proposals in the FCC's notice, or can suggest alternative approaches.

In other FCC news, applications for new low-power FM stations are being accepted from community and non-profit organizations during the window of October 15-29, 2013. There hasn't been a window for new AM station applications since 2004, and the FCC is still sorting through some of the more complex situations where multiple, mutually inconsistent applications were filed in 2004, so don't expect a new AM window any time soon.

And now for the more mundane FCC news that usually graces these pages:

CALL LETTER CHANGES

- 910 KKSX WA Vancouver – Call change to KMTT (9/11).
- 1360 WELR AL Roanoke – Call change to WLWE (9/16).
- 1480 WGNQ AL Bridgeport – Call change to WVOV (9/7).

NEW STATION WATCH

New Stations Approaching Final Licensing

740 KCIK HI Kihei – Applies for license to cover CP for new station (U1 5000/5000).

Applications to Modify CP

1550 KDCO CO Golden – CP for new station (U2 5000/250) previously applied to modify the CP to U2 990/480 from a different site, now amends the application to U2 990/350 after FCC objected to potential QRM to KESJ-MO and KZRK-TX.

Construction Permits Expired/Cancelled

1240 CP UT Green River – CP for new station (U1 250/250) expired and deleted.

Note that the CP for KCWK-1430 Laughlin NV (U4 50000/310) will expire on Sept. 28.

LICENSE REINSTATEMENT

1380 WHEW TN Franklin – Licensed reinstated after some confusion over station's 2012 license renewal application.

CHANGES TO EXISTING STATIONS

CPs on the Air

1520 KYND TX Cypress – CP for D4 25000 (ch 18000) is on the air.

CPs Approaching Final Licensing

1460 WEEN TN Lafayette – Applies for license to cover CP for U1 1100/119 (now U1 860/119).

New Construction Permits Granted

810 WRSO FL Orlovista – Granted CP for U4 20000/1000 (now U4 10000/400).

870 KPRM MN Park Rapids – Granted CP for U2 50000/1000 (now U2 40000/1000).

970 KTTO WA Spokane – Granted CP for U2 5500/810 (now U2 5000/1000).

1150 KLPF TX Midland – Granted CP for U1 30000/207 on 1180 kHz (now U1 1000/148).

1230 KLAV NV Las Vegas – Granted CP for U1 900/1000, new site (now U1 1000/1000).

Applications for Construction Permits

1040 WZSK PA Everett – Applies for D1 2500 (now D1 10000 (ch 4000)).

1170 WWLE NY Cornwall – Applies for U4 2500/500 on 1150 kHz (now D3 800).

1230 WSKY NC Asheville – Applies to move to new site 35-37-08/82-34-19 (still U1 1000/1000); will diplex with WISE-1310.

1320 KXYZ TX Houston – Applies for U4 10000/5000 (now U4 5000/5000).

1460 KHOJ MO St. Charles – Applies for U4 12000/210 (now U4 5000/210).

1590 KLFE WA Seattle – Applies for U4 20000/5000 (now U2 5000/5000).

Construction Permits Expired/Cancelled

1450 KENA AR Mena – CP to move to Fort Smith AR has expired and is deleted.

For those who use the online FCC database – The listing for KHPY-1670 Moreno Valley CA was changed this week from U4 10000/9000 to U1 10000/9000, but this is in error – the actual license (which can be found on the web site with some digging) still says U4. (Did I mention that you need to get that 34th Edition of the NRC *AM Radio Log*, as updated weekly in *DX News*, if you want the most accurate and up-to-date information on U.S. and Canadian AM stations?)

SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY (STA)

580 KMJ CA Fresno – Granted STA to operate U1 5000/5000 from its old (i.e., 1941-2002) transmitter site during repairs at the new site.

960 WHYL PA Carlisle – Nothing at the FCC web site, but Dave Schmidt reports station is operating with U3 22/22 (night power all the time).

1010 KSIR CO Brush – Transmitter site was completely flooded on 9/16 during the historic Colorado flooding and is presumed a complete loss; applies for STA to broadcast via two FM translators (K223BV-92.5 Atwood CO, ordinarily // KTAD-89.9, and K280EQ-93.1 Fort Morgan CO).

1460 WPON MI Walled Lake – Granted STA for D1 25/ (that's right!) from a 25-foot temporary mast at 42-32-40/83-33-35, so the silent station won't lose its license before it completes its CP to move a new permanent site.

1470 KDEB CO Estes Park – Granted STA for D1 30/ from a temporary longwire, so the silent station won't lose its license – it has lost its tower location and hasn't found a new one yet.

1560 WMBH MO Joplin – Granted STA from a temporary longwire antenna, 133 feet long and 18 feet high, at a different site (37-05-37/94-34-51); application says power will be 500 watts fulltime, yet the station is licensed for only U1 250/9 – why?

Applications to extend existing STAs were received from WXQW-660 Fairhope AL (pattern out of tolerance or reduced power); WDMC-920 Melbourne FL (U1 1250/250); KSDN-930 Aberdeen SD

(U1 1250/250); KCKN-1020 Roswell NM (U4? 1000/1000 from auxiliary transmitter); WLNO-1060 New Orleans LA (U1 5000/1250, Hurricane Isaac 2012 damage); WENY-1230 Elmira NY (reduced power); WALO-1240 Humacao PR (U1 1000/5000 to overcome QRM from station in Barahona, Dom. Rep.); WFNS-1350 Blackshear GA (reduced power); WRSS-1410 San Sebastian PR (U1 250/250); WKHZ-1460 Easton MD (day pattern out of tolerance); and KBLA-1580 Santa Monica CA (U1 12500/12500 while KYPA-1230 is relocated to diplex with KBLA, but that relocation seems complete).

Previously reported applications to extend STAs were granted to WSVG-790 Mount Jackson VA, WEEL-850 Boston MA, KNRV-1150 Englewood CO, WLIB-1190 New York NY, WTTL-1310 Madisonville KY, KRIZ-1420 Renton WA, WSEL-1440 Pontotoc MS, and WVZN-1580 Columbia PA.

SILENT STATIONS

Stations notifying the FCC that they were silent and are now back on the air:

- 1130 WEAJ SC Camden – Silent station (since 1/15) back on the air 9/10.
 1310 KBOK AR Malvern – Silent station (since 8/15) back on the air 9/11 with new owners.
 1390 WFHT FL Avon Park – Silent station (since 6/17) back on the air 9/9.
 1460 WPON MI Walled Lake – Silent station (since 9/27/2012) back on the air 9/18 with STA (see above), probably only just long enough to maintain license.
 1470 KDEB CO Estes Park – Silent station (since 9/20/2012) back on the air 9/19 or 9/20 with STA (see above), probably only just long enough to maintain license.
 1570 WFTU NY Riverhead – Silent station (since 2/20) back on the air 9/10, has completed transmitter repairs and is operating with full licensed power.

Stations notifying the FCC that they are silent:

- 910 WAEI ME Bangor – Silent (9/1) to seek a buyer or to surrender the license.
 1080 WALD SC Johnsonville – Silent (8/30) for “technical upgrades and repairs.”
 1110 WOMN LA Franklinton – Silent (7/29) as old tower was dismantled; has CP to move to 1100 kHz with U4 50000/120 from a new tower.
 KTTP LA Pineville – Silent (9/12) for financial reasons.
 1160 WJFJ NC Tryon – Silent (9/2) for financial reasons.
 1230 WODI VA Brookneal – Silent (8/30) to address repeated transmitter shutdowns.
 1340 WMTE MI Manistee – Silent (8/28) “due to ongoing regulatory fee issues.”
 WXXK WV Clarksburg – Silent (9/7) for transmitter repair.
 1370 KRAC CA Quincy – Silent (8/13) awaiting PTA for CP to move to Red Bluff CA.
 1480 WQTM NC Fair Bluff – Silent (9/11) due to loss of programming source.
 1490 WTQS SC Cameron – Silent (9/5) for transmitter repair.

In addition to the above official notifications received and posted by the FCC, Shawn Axelrod passes along a notice by KPIO-1570 Loveland CO on its web site that it is currently silent due to damage from the Colorado floods. And former member Ken Onyschuk in Lockport IL reports that WHFB-1060 Benton Harbor MI, listed by the FCC as silent, was heard on the air 9/19 with NOS.

COORDINATE CORRECTION

- 660 WMIC MI Sandusky – CP to correct coordinates to 43-23-34/82-50-06 is on the air.
 900 KNUJ HI Kahului – CP to correct coordinates to 20-47-30/156-28-01 is on the air.
 1550 KZDG CA San Francisco – Applies for CP to correct coordinates to 37-31-59/122-16-27.

Canadian news (via Shawn Axelrod and Dan Sys):

- 580 CKUA AB Edmonton- Has CP to move to FM; FM is now on the air and 580 must go silent by 12/12.
 690 CBQM NT Fort McPherson – LPRT granted CP to move to FM.
 1050 CKSB MB Winnipeg – Has CP to move to FM; now testing on 88.1 MHz.
 1230 CBQC NT Fort Providence – LPRT granted CP to move to FM.

Dan Sys notes that CKUA (or some other Edmonton station) has been on 580 for more than 90 years and wonders which Canadian station will break their presumed record for continuous operation on the same frequency. (I imagine St. Louis 550 kHz is the US record-holder.)



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U.S./Canadian Loggings from Pacific/Mtn/Central Time Zones. All times ELT.

Reporters

- GH-OK** Glenn Hauser, Enid, OK. Mostly DX-398 with internal antenna only; or Sony SRF-59 as specified; Nissan stock car radio as specified; FRG-7 as specified. (Glenn's reports, with extensive commentary, are originally published in *DX Listening Digest*).
- JJR-WI** John J Rieger, South Milwaukee, WI. Icom IC-R75, Kiwa loop, MFJ-959B tuner-preamp.
- JR-OK** John Reed, Shawnee, OK. Racal RA6772E, RA6793A, JRC NRD-545 with Pühler roofing filter; homebrew ferrite tuned loop, Clifton Labs active whip.
- JW-CO** John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, CO. Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop.
- KDF-IL** Karl D. Forth, Chicago, IL. Tecsun PL-380
- RD-IL** Rick Dau, at the Ramada Inn in Urbana, IL. Kenwood R-5000, Quantum QX Pro loop.
- RD-IA** Rick Dau, at the Super 7 in Coralville (Iowa City), IA. Sangean ATS-909X, Quantum QX Pro loop.
- RD-MO1** Rick Dau, at the Budget Host Inn in Columbia, MO. Sangean ATS-909X barefoot.
- RD-MO2** Rick Dau, at Earl Higgins' QTH in University City (St. Louis), MO. Sangean ATS-909X barefoot.
- RD-NE** Rick Dau, South Omaha, NE. Sangean ATS-909X, Quantum QX Pro loop.
- SA-MB** Shawn M. Axelrod VE4DX1SMA, VEPC4SWL Winnipeg MB ICOM ICR-70 / DRAKE R8; 3 Foot un-amplified box loop / Quantum QX LOOP v2.0/ 155 Foot "U" shaped outdoor wire / 100 Foot indoor wire run around the basement walls / MFJ 1026 Phasing unit.

DX Logs

- 540 WKFN TN Clarksville – 9/7 2134 – Good in KWMT null with Austin Peay Univ. FB vs. Vanderbilt. Nice to get this one at last, now chasing after WFLF and WDAK. (RD-NE)
- 640 KFI CA Los Angeles – 9/2 0822 – "KFI, stimulating talk radio," PDT TC after 5 am, making slow SAH less than 1 Hz with KWPN OK, so KFI is still audible with it nulled well after sunrise 1204 UT here today. A bit surprised to hear this as there were no other significant skywave signals below 920 by this time, and no XEs at all on the lower half. (GH-OK)
- 650 WSM TN Nashville – 9/11 0116 – Very good with Johnny Cash's 1959 single "Frankie's Man, Johnny," then chatter by DJ Marcia Campbell during her all-night program. (RD-MO1)
- 690 KFXN MN Minneapolis – 9/16 2136 – Good on peaks in CKGM null with what sounded like Vietnamese music. Took comparing it to the webstream for me to be able to count it. WQNO in New Orleans (whose night pattern must be out of whack) took over shortly thereafter. (RD-IA)
- 690 CBKF-1 SK Gravelbourg – 8/30 0139 – Québécois interview stands out in the mix of other signals with KGGF KS open carrier. First thought is CBF Montréal, but that's long gone, its replacement anglais. Loops NNW anyway, so this has to be CBKF-1, Gravelbourg, Saskatchewan, the CBC = SRC Première Chaîne outlet which NRC Pattern Book 2005 shows with a minor night lobe in this direction, otherwise mostly northward. A predominantly French town? Supposed to serve also Swift Current, Moose Jaw, even Regina? Hearing any French on 690 is certainly a rarity here. (GH-OK)
- 740 KVOX ND Fargo – 9/16 2329 – Fair in CFZM null with Minnesota Twins BB, which normally airs on sister station KFGO-790. (RD-IA)
- 830 WFNO LA Norco – 9/4 0202 – "La Caliente 830" ID by super-hype voice actor (SHVA); no legal ID heard in break from non-soporific Mexican music. Per Wikipedia, "On March 11, 2013, WFNO changed moniker to 'La Caliente 830am'." WFNO is rather regular with WCCO nulled. Don't you believe their 750-watt night pattern is supposed to be a circle tangent to the SSE with the null toward me to

the NNW (And you'd think there would be a nominal notch north toward WCCO). **(GH-OK)**

- 860 **CBKF-2 SK** **Saskatoon** – 9/8 2331 – Good in CJBC null with its own FF program, “Sphere,” running about 4 sec. ahead of the webstream. **(RD-NE)**
- 880 **WMDB TN** **Nashville** – 9/9 0808 – With KRVN N/S nulled, all I hear is “La Ranchera” slogan. I was about to file this as unidentified till I googled La Ranchera 880 and found story on allaccess.com that WMDB “has tweaked its brand from ‘El Sol 880’ to ‘La Ranchera’.” FCC AM Query shows 2.5 kW day, TWO WATTS night, pace WCBS, always non-directional. September SR/SS: 0730/2000 ELT. Also has PSRA protecting WCBS (and/or CMAB!) of 47 watts in Apr/Sep/Oct; 2 to 10 watts other months except Feb with a hefty 500; and N/A May-Aug. **(GH-OK)**
- 920 **KBAD NV** **Las Vegas** – 9/2 0817 – “... right here on 920, The Game,” ads with 702-AC phones. Good thing I got the latter, as 2012 NRC AM Log shows no slogan for KBAD, but it was/is sports format with Fox SR, 5/0.5 kW. Neat, as Nevadans are rare here; city-to-city distance 953 miles. A few minutes later I was still getting KFI 640 LA CA before low-band skywave fadeout, which lasts a bit longer mid-band. Later in the hour, KYFR in IA resumed dominating 920 here, although it could have earlier, with September sunrise at 0800 ELT. It's easy to spot with religion and lots of quasi-classical sacred music. **(GH-OK)**
- 920 **KVEL UT** **Vernal** – 9/6 2253 – Fair in KYFR null with Roosevelt Union vs. Uintah HS football. **(RD-NE)**
- 920 **CFRY MB** **Portage la Prairie** – 8/24 0048 – Fair in KYFR null with ID: “You're listening to CFRY...,” then into Glen Campbell's “Bonaparte's Retreat.” Not heard from any QTH since the DX test on 1/30/1995. **(RD-NE)**
- 970 **KQAQ MN** **Austin** – 8/14 2306 – Finally heard at the Iowa City QTH after all those times of going after it during the 1990s proved to be fruitless. Fair under WGTK with fragments of an ID: “...southern Minnesota's...radio, 970 KQAQ.” **(RD-IA)**
- 1010 **WMIN MN** **Sauk Rapids** – 9/16 2059 – Good with Jack Jones' 1963 hit “Wives and Lovers,” then ID: “Uptown 10-10, WMIN, Sauk Rapids.” **(RD-IA)**
- 1070 **KNX CA** **Los Angeles** – 8/31 0819 – Remains barely audible after sunrise with KLIO Wichita nulled, already promoting a 2-hour show on Thursday, October 3, “Health Care Uncovered” on how to get involved in the Affordable Care Act. **(GH-OK)**
- 1190 **KQQZ MO** **De Soto** – 9/11 2210 – C&W music, in/out with call ID heard on fade-in. **(JR-OK)**
- 1220 **KDOW CA** **Palo Alto** – 8/13 0747 – Bloomfield Report and other biz features; ID at 0758: “We're watching the economy because it's your money; the Bay Area's Business Radio AM 1220 KDOW,” followed by another station promo and ID; faded near ToH so no legal ID heard; local KLDC came on at 0801, covering the frequency. A needed call change here, ex-KNTS. **(JW-CO)**
- 1220 **KMVL TX** **Madisonville** – 9/11 2145 – Nostalgia music, call ID and sports news. The carrier was at 1219.825 KHz. **(JR-OK)**
- 1240 **KWAK AR** **Stuttgart** – 9/10 2140 – Call ID with oldies. Good signal on graveyard frequency. **(JR-OK)**
- 1240 **KWLC IA** **Decorah** – 9/6 2339 – Atop with Johnny Cash's “Sam Hall,” then chatter by college-age female DJ. Webstream was about 30 sec. behind. **(RD-NE)**
- 1240 **KCCR SD** **Pierre** – 8/24 0059 – Atop with ID: “...central South Dakota's...KCCR, Pierre.” **(RD-NE)**
- 1250 **KPZK AR** **Little Rock** – 9/8 2140 – UC music with ID “KIPR – 92 Jam.” **(JR-OK)**
- 1260 **KSGF MO** **Springfield** – 9/7 2200 – Call ID with FOX and local news. **(JR-OK)**
- 1270 **KSCB KS** **Liberal** – 9/5 1507 – On car radio at a fairly quiet parking lot on the west side of Enid, hearing two stations, one with Spanish music, and the other with English talk. SS is surely KRVN Claremore/Tulsa, as indeed IDed at 1915 as “La Qué Buena” At 1956 English talker finally mentions it's the Glenn Beck Show, but with a sub today. Can't pull any ID before 2000 Fox News with the QRM, but suspect there wasn't any. Next closest 1270 for daytime groundwave is KSCB Liberal (no jokes, please), Kansas, and indeed it's on the Beck affiliate list. I don't normally get this in the daytime. It was fading up and down regularly, not too fast and not too slow, maybe as SAH with KRVN. Soon ruled out any skywave this time of year on higher frequencies, scarcely a semi hour after local mean noon at 1832 UT. KSCB is nondirectional days with

5 kW, so it's feasible, really only 175 statute miles, 281 km, quite closer than Fort Worth but with one tenth the power, except most of KFLC's power heads E/W, not towards us at all. **(GH-OK)**

- 1280 WGBF IN **Evansville** – 9/14 2215 – Fair with Purdue Univ. FB vs. Notre Dame. WLS was noted on the Notre Dame network. **(RD-IL)**
- 1280 KVXR MN **Moorhead** – 9/16 2344 – Fair with abortion discussion on program “At Home with Jim & Joy” via EWTN Radio. EWTN's website shows KVXR as the only affiliate on 1280. Heard just minutes after getting KVOX, whose CLs occupied the 1280 frequency in the Fargo-Moorhead market for many years, including during my logging of their DX test on 11/4/1990. **(RD-IA)**
- 1290 KWFS KS **Wichita Falls** – 9/10 0820 – *Rise & Shine* show is bragging about stream reaching everywhere, as they hear from California, North Korea, and Africa! Lots of local ads. **(GH-OK)**
- 1290 KOIL NE **Omaha** – 9/6 2200 – IDs as “Mighty 1290 KOIL” with news and weather. **(JR-OK)**
- 1290 KOWB WY **Laramie** – 9/6 2210 – Weak with call ID, caught on a fade in. **(JR-OK)**
- 1300 KCSF CO **Colorado Springs** – 8/28 2138 – Atop briefly with Colorado Springs Sky Sox BB. **(RD-NE)**
- 1300 KAKC OK **Tulsa** – 9/8 0822 – Sunday-morning public affairs ghetto show with guest from the Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma, about their Restaurant Week promotion; see TulsaRW on Facebook. Then I am hearing the same show but far from synchrony, on co-owned otherwise sports station, KTBZ-1430. THEN, it sounds like the same show yet again and unsynchronized on KFAQ-1170, which is not co-owned. **(GH.OK)**
- 1310 KIHP AZ **Mesa** – 8/4 0859 – Listeners Comment Hot Line announced (877-565-1077); ID as “KIHP Phoenix, Immaculate Heart Radio” and a prayer; soon faded. Not a legal ID, since Phoenix is not City of License. Ex-KXAM here. **(JW-CO)**
- 1310 KLIIX ID **Twin Falls** – 8/5 0743 – “News Radio 1310 KLIIX” ID and typical morning fare – news, weather, sports, etc. Generally fair. **(JW-CO)**
- 1310 KMBS LA **West Monroe** – 9/16 2145 – Call ID with “Serving SE Arkansas and NW LA.” **(JR-OK)**
- 1340 KVBR MN **Brainerd** – 8/26 2249 – Fair with severe weather warnings for Crow Wing and Aitkin Counties, including a tornado warning for the latter. Meanwhile, KKIN-930, which has been coming in well here at night in recent months under WKY, had no storm warnings whatsoever after listening for several minutes. Probably nobody at the station! KKIN gets an F on this one. **(RD-NE)**
- 1360 WIXI AL **Jasper** – 9/13 2159 – Fair with “1400 WJLD” heard between urban contemporary songs. Some snooping on the internet revealed that WIXI has been simulcasting WJLD for about 3 months now. **(RD-MO2)**
- 1400 KTMC OK **McAlester** – 9/17 1410 – NOS music and call ID. Reception with whip and loop using phaser. New here. KREF is strong on this frequency, but I was able to phase it out completely. **(JR-OK)**
- 1410 KLEM IA **LeMars** – 9/19 0621 – Poor with male, “Iowa” announcement twice in news stories, later “LeMars,” in WIZM null. **(JJR-WI)**
- 1420 WIMS IN **Michigan City** – 9/13 2154 – Good with Michigan City vs. Valparaiso HS FB. Little splatter from KZQZ-1430. **(RD-MO2)**
- 1420 WOC IA **Davenport** – 9/19 0627 – Poor. “NewsTalk 1420 WOC,” into lotto ad in KTOE null. **(JJR-WI)**
- 1450 KMRY IA **Cedar Rapids** – 9/3 2100 – On top with ID, 93.1-1450 mention, and CBS news. **(KDF-IL)**
- 1530 KQSP MN **Shakopee** – 9/5 0034 – Very good in WCKY null with Spanish tropical music // their webstream. Has been widely reported in recent weeks as leaving the day rig on late. **(RD-NE)**
- 1560 WNWN MI **Portage** – 8/27 0649 – Fair with announcements of Kalamazoo and Michigan in news stories, then “...from the WKZO Newsroom...” heard at the end, which clinched it. Last heard as WHEZ on 5/9/1988 from Iowa City! **(RD-NE)**
- 1560 KTUI MO **Sullivan** – 8/27 0709 – Good with very long list of current temps at locations around southern Missouri. Probably the same station heard with SSB and s/on at 0700. **(RD-NE)**
- 1570 WBGX IL **Harvey** – 9/8 2108 – Poor to fair signals fading in and out with Gospel music // their live web feed. New!! I keep trying 1570 to see what there is to hear now that CKMW is gone off air. I have noticed that WRFL and XERF are both

becoming pests with me hearing them almost every night. WRFL sure does get out for 500 watts at night, often dominating the jumble of stations. **(SA-MB)**

1570 KQWC IA **Webster City** – 9/14 0730 – Faded up over XERF pest with oldies music then a group of local ads for Iowa. NEW! **(SA-MB)**

1570 KLEX MO **Lexington** – 9/13 2030 – Poor signals fading in and out with religious talk then into local ads. NEW! **(SA-MB)**

1640 WTNI MS **Biloxi** – 9/5 0057 – Local KOAG has CCI from an ESPN Radio station, even when KOAG is not fully nulled. Must be WTNI Biloxi MS, as recently reactivated, the only known ESPN on 1640, and a slightly different angle from here than KOAG site; sounds like instead of 1 kW night power, it could be the 10 kW day that WTNI has previously been accused of running. The two are a fast SAH apart, which means maybe circa 15 Hz. **(GH-OK)**

UnID

650 UNID -- 9/10 0150 – “24/7 Comedy” network ID, laughter, applause and standup routine. Always something interesting on 650 with WSM nulled; in fact, at the moment it’s XETNT that needs nulling, not much from WSM. 9/12 0135 – 24/7 Comedy station is again audible in mixture of other stuff with WSM nulled. The comedy station and XETNT are making a fast SAH, like XETNT does with WSM, surely because XETNT is the one off-frequency. So as for who’s doing 24/7 Comedy now on 650, am still at a loss. **(GH-OK) CKOM – DY.**

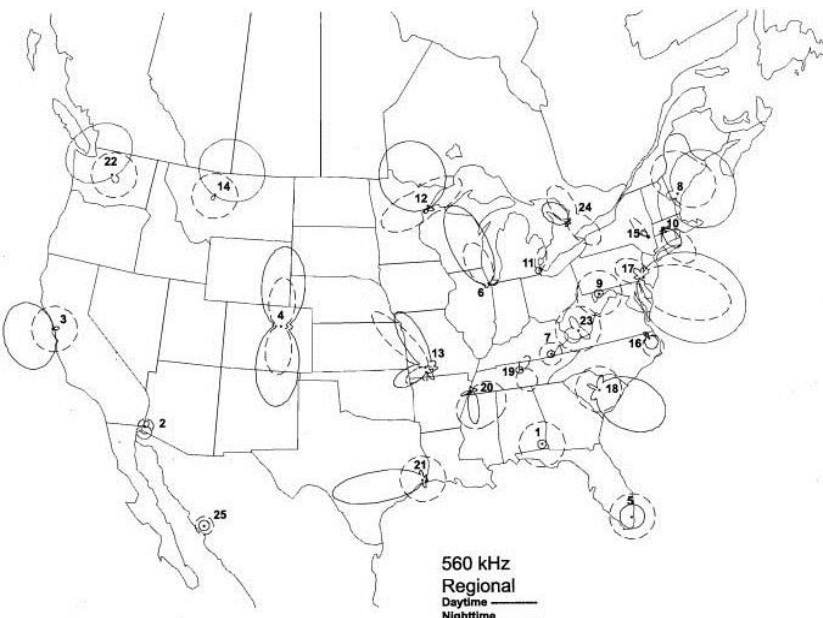
880 UNID -- 9/5 0816 – In E-W null of N/S KRVN NE, mentions WJJR 98.9? then Stevie Wonder. WTFDA FM database shows WJJR as an AC station in Rutland VT on 98.1 and I certainly was not sure of the numbers or letters. Would expect this to be KLRG in Arkansas, but unclear why they would mention that station with no direct connection. Perhaps a syndicated program also on it. **(GH-OK)**

960 UNID -- 8/30 0101-0105 – During Fox-hole of local KGWA running open carrier only, this time on the SRF-59 I am able to hear *without* nulling KGWA, a station with sports news and scores in English; bearing on it is NNW/SSE. Unknown which network but all-American so can’t be CFAC Calgary which I have DXed before in this window thru KGWA. Now the guessing begins. Based on last year’s NRC AM Log with format info, most likely is KOVO Provo UT with FSR, and which the old Pattern Book shows with a minor lobe this way. But it’s more NW than NNW. Another one I have yet to ID is KROF in Abbeville LA (Lafayette market), listed as talk format if not sports, 95 watts non-directional. KNEB Scottsbluff NE direction also fits with 350 watts, but supposedly C&W format. I can hardly wait to recheck these formats in the new NRC AM Log. **(GH-OK)**

With the debut of the weekly issues of DX News, the 2013-2014 DX season is officially on. Hope to hear from you often. (JDT-WA)

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REPORTERS

- BC-NH** Bruce Conti, Nashua – Excalibur SDR, MWDX-5, variable termination SuperLoop antennas northeast and south.
- KK-VA** Kraig Krist, Manassas – Winradio G33DDC SDR, Kiwa loop.
- TLK-FL** Terry L. Krueger, Clearwater – NRD535, roof dipole
- JJR-MI** John J. Rieger, L’Anse – Grundig Satellite 750, Sangean ATS-909X
- NjW-ON** Niel Wolfish, Toronto – Excalibur G31DDC + Wellbrook Loop or SONY ICF-2010 and loop antenna.
- MKB-ON** Mike Brooker, Toronto – Grundig G5, Grundig YB-400PE, Sony SRF-39FP, Panasonic RF-2200 (receiver emeritus)

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As we begin a new volume and a new DX season, thank you for all your log reports. Keep them coming, but PLEASE folks, go easy on those obscure, arcane abbreviations. Maybe it made a difference back in the day of handwriting or clunky manual typewriters, but in this age of laptops and tablets if you type “nx” for news you are saving a grand total of TWO keystrokes and maybe a quarter of a second! I have had to flesh out program details such as “tx re wx, cmt, lcl nx.” I even had to google “BS&T song” to find it referenced Blood Sweat and Tears. And in 2013, there is no reason to refer to women as “YL” (young lady). Political correctness aside, it is extremely patronizing.

LOGGINGS

- 540 WKFN TN Clarksville** – 9/15 0700 – Poor in CBK null with Mike and Mike ESPN show, talking Chicago Bears football, watchESPN.com promo and finally ToH legal ID. (JJR-MI)
- 650 CKOM SK Saskatoon** – 9/13 0719 – Poor in WSM null with ad for OK Tire, “Best of.... on 650 CKOM” station promo. (JJR-MI)
- 680 WOGO WI Hallie** – 9/6 2043 – Poor with Cardinal (High School) football v. Menomonie Mustangs, mention of “on WOGO” during game. (JJR-MI)
- 690 KGGF KS Coffeyville** -9/10 0700 – Poor with ToH legal “Coffeyville-Independence” ID. No usual CKGM at all. (JJR-MI)
- 750 WQOR PA Olyphant** – 9/10 1900 – Fair; “Make a leap of faith, listen, learn, and consider donating to listener supported Catholic radio, WQOR 750 AM Olyphant and 98.9 FM Scranton,” into EWTN news. 98.9 is W255BO. (BC-NH)
- 770 KUOM MN Minneapolis** – 9/17 *0700 – Sign-on announcement by man. Mid-way through the announcement I suddenly heard a weak Star Spangled Banner, which may have been a different station. Unfortunately, killed a few seconds later by WTOR-Youngstown signing on to serve the citizens of greater Toronto. (NjW-ON)
- 780 WXME ME Monticello** – 9/15 2300 – Over WBBM; “We are AM 780 WXME Monticello-Houlton-Presque Isle” and “All of your classic country hits, right here, AM 780 WXME.” (BC-NH)
- WTME ME Rumford** – 9/16 1900 – Good; WEZR jingle, cut to ID, “Talk your family can listen to, Maine’s family stations, AM 780 and 1450, WTME Rumford and WKTQ South Paris,” then cut back to music in progress, Elton John “Crocodile Rock.” (BC-NH)
- 790 KGHL MT Billings** – 9/8 0630 – Poor but steady on tight null of others with call letter ID, classic C&W. (JJR-MI)
- WNIS VA Norfolk** – 9/14 0558 – Faded up with promo for upcoming remote from West Marine in Loehmann’s Plaza in Virginia Beach with WNIS personality Captain Reese. ID: “Hampton Roads’ News and Information Station AM-790 WNIS Norfolk,” into Fox News (NjW-ON)



- 800 CJAD QC **Montreal** – 9/14 2045 – Poor with promo for Monday morning talk show discussing new Quebec laws, “from the CJAD traffic centre...”local traffic, no CKLW at all. (JJR-MI)
- 810 CKJS MB **Winnipeg** – 9/7 0651 – Poor with no WGY, “CKJS.com” website promo between songs. Still nice to hear music on AM. (JJR-MI)
- 820 WCPT IL **Willow Springs** – 9/11 0635 – Fair with “WCPT, Chicago’s Progressive Talk” slogan into Bill Press talk on Syria. Really strong, wiping out all comers. (JJR-MI)
- 850 WFTL FL **West Palm Beach** – 9/10 0100 – Under WEEI and *R.Relej*; ad for pain treatment center, “...Military Trail south of Linton Boulevard, the number’s 561-381-5800,” and NBC news. New log, domestic #700 in the logbook for this decade. (BC-NH)
- 910 KCJB ND **Minot** – 9/12 0711 – “Classic Country 91 KCJB” slogan in with some fades and no usual dominant WFDF. (JJR-MI)
- WAVL PA **Apollo** – 9/16 *0700 – Sign-on announcement by man “the new WAVL 910 AM” into old time non country gospel. Has changed from Christian talk format to gospel (what they called “regional Christian programming”). They are listed as having 69 watts at night, so maybe they decided it was not worth firing up the transmitter at night any more? (NjW-ON)
- WSBA PA **York** – 9/4 1906 – In multi-station mix (WRNL, WOLI, WJCW and UNID Radio Disney) with “News radio 9-10 WSBA” ID, Baltimore Orioles baseball game. (KK-VA)
- WOLI SC **Spartanburg** – 9/4 1944 – In multi-station mix with station promo: “This is ‘the choice’ at 105.7 FM 9-10 AM worldwide at WOLIAM.com.” (KK-VA)
- WJCW TN **Johnson City** – 9/4 1934 – In multi-station mix with ID as “This is the tri-states talk radio station AM 9-10 WJCW” into Mark Levin Show. (KK-VA)
- WRNL VA **Richmond** – 9/17 1900 – “Sports Radio WRNL” ID into Fox sports headlines read by a female announcer. Station promos at 1901. (NjW-ON)
- 920 WYBY NY **Cortland** – 9/16 1900 – Under WHJJ; “We’re WYBY Cortland,” and SRN news. (BC-NH)
- WMMN WV **Fairmont** – 9/5 1855 – In mix with WURA and various UNIDs (talk, C&W, religion, oldies) with usual Fox Sports programming, local Fairmont ads, Westwood 1 with Ravens v. Broncos Thursday night football game. (KK-VA)
- 930 WBEN NY **Buffalo** – 9/6 2002 – In multi-station mix (WDLX, WHLM, WFMD, WRVC and UNID religious) with Sean Hannity Show, “keeping your wife company while you’re at work. Hear Tom... weekdays 3 till 7 news radio 9-30 AM and 107.7 FM WBEN” station promo into CBS News. (KK-VA)
- WIZR NY **Johnstown** – 9/16 1900 – Over WPAT; “Your home for classic hits, Z102.9, W243CV, AM 930 WIZR Johnstown-Gloversville-Amsterdam.” Z102.9 is W275BS while W243CV is 96.5 FM. A very confusing ID. Adding to the confusion, W243CV is not in the FCC FM Query database, though W243CV is listed in the Wiki for WIZR, and Z96.5 listed at the bottom of the WIZR web page. A search of the CDBS by Wayne Heinen found Facility 143357 moved from 96.5 to 102.9 so W243CV is no more. The air staff is apparently clueless about the correct callsign for the 102.9 translator. (BC-NH)
- WRVC WV **Huntington** – 9/6 2021 – In multi-station mix with Huntington High football game, “you’re listening to super talk 94.1 FM and 9-30 AM WRVC” ID. (KK-VA)
- +++ – 9/15 0700 – Under WBEN with “Supertalk 94.1 and AM 930 WRVC Huntington, a service of Kindred Communications” ID into NBC news. (NjW-ON)
- 940 WADV PA **Lebanon** – 9/18 0700 – ID: “Solid gospel music for south-central Pennsylvania, WADV Lebanon.” Gospel music that was definitely not loose or gaseous followed. (NjW-ON)
- WKGM VA **Smithfield** – 9/15 0735 – Fair with various church/gospel announcements including one for a ‘gospel singout’ at phone number 757-722-6992. (NjW-ON)
- CJGX SK **Yorktown** – 9/14 0603 – Sports news read by woman with the lead item being about the Canadian Football League, and then about the Toronto Blue Jays. Weather forecast by man and then C&W. (NjW-ON)



- 950 WHVW NY **Hyde Park** – 9/9 2018 – In multi-station mix (WCTN, WBES, WKDN, UNID talker and Cuban R. Reloj) with oldies, “it’s the heart and soul of American music WHVW” station promo. **(KK-VA)**
 +++ - 9/7 1900 – “This is the heart and soul of American music, WHVW...” then lost to WKDN at power cut. **(BC-NH)**
- WKDN PA **Philadelphia** – 9/10 1859 – In multi-station mix with Family Radio programming, “this is Family Radio...your station...program and music WKDN Philadelphia” ToH ID into religious singing. **(KK-VA)**
- WAKM TN **Franklin** – 9/18 0655 – Promo for Franklin Synergy Football broadcast, promo for a Tennessee Radio Network feature and C&W music. **(NjW-ON)**
- 960 KLTF MN **Little Falls** – 9/18 0705 – Man with local news talking about the Little Falls Homecoming Parade followed by funeral notices that went on for several minutes, including one from a funeral home in Upsala. Time check at “10 past 6” at 0710 and then signal faded out. **(NjW-ON)**
- KZIM MO **Cape Girardeau** – 9/18 0659 – ID: “Your Regional Weather Authority KZIM,” then woman said that the National Anthem would be coming up after ABC news. Signal faded out after the ABC news had started up. **(NjW-ON)**
- WHYL PA **Carlisle** – 9/13 1859 – In WFIR mix with religious programming, man with “9-60 WHYL Carlisle” ID. **(KK-VA)**
- CFAC AB **Calgary** – 9/16 0700 – ToH ID: “Sportsnet Radio 960 AM, The Fan from Calgary, Alberta, Canada owned and operated by Rogers Communications.” **(NjW-ON)**
- 970 WAMD MD **Aberdeen** – 9/15 1931 – In multi-station mix (WKCI, WBGG and WDCZ) with today’s songs, but not Radio Disney type songs, promo for “KHZ TV dot com” and “KHZ TV” jingle. I check khztv.com and discover this is WAMD. **(KK-VA)**
- WDCZ NY **Buffalo** – 9/15 1944 – In multi-station mix with religious singing, mention of “Crawford Broadcasting.” I search the internet for “Crawford Broadcasting AM 970” and discover this is WDCZ in Buffalo. **(KK-VA)**
- 980 CFPL ON **London** – 9/15 0631 – Poor but alone on frequency with “weather on the 2’s, AM980.ca...” station promo. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1000 WLNL NY **Horseheads** – 9/16 1900 – Poor; “WLNL... wlnlradio.org, thanks for tuning in,” and SRN news. **(BC-NH)**
- 1060 WHFB MI **Benton Harbor-Saint Joseph** – 9/14 2040 – Fair in KYW null with Grand Valley high school football. Station running tests and should be on regular schedule “by Oct. 1” per part owner, whom I spoke with recently. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1070 KNX CA **Los Angeles** – 9/15 0716 – Poor but steady with “in East L.A., 57 [degrees], KNX 1070 News Radio.” Still in 30 minutes later! **(JJR-MI)**
- 1090 KMXA CO **Aurora** – 9/11 2114 – Poor but alone and no KAAY to be found, “KXMA” ID inserted over softer SS ballad. **(JJR-MI)**
- WKTE NC **King** – 9/16 0628 – ID mentioning the Triad area and oldies rock ‘n roll and R&B, “Your hometown station WKTE” and mention of website into CCR’s “Suzie Q.” Mixing with KAAY-Little Rock. **(NjW-ON)**
- KTGO ND **Tioga** – 9/12 0719 – Poor, slight fades but alone with “Talk Radio AM 1080” slogan and “Bakken” mentioning 1-877-...-1090” phone number. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1110 WCCM NH **Salem** – 9/18 0600 – Underneath WBT-Charlotte with legal ID mentioning 102.9 HD2 in Lawrence. **(NjW-ON)**
- WTBQ NY **Warwick** – 9/10 1900 – Over/under WUPE; live promo for promoting your business, “You’re listening to 93.5 FM WTBQ.” **(BC-NH)**
- 1150 WHBY WI **Kimberly** – 9/17 0500 – Under WWDJ; promo for WHBY Morning Show, “...on News/Talk 1150 WHBY,” and mention of whby.com. **(BC-NH)**
- 1160 WBYN PA **Lehighton** – 9/17 0500 – “1160 The Light” slogan heard through WVNJ and others. **(BC-NH)**
- 1190 WCRW VA **Leesburg** – 9/7 1900 – Under WLIB; sign off, “...WCRW is ending its broadcast day and will return tomorrow morning,” and instrumental Star Spangled Banner. **(BC-NH)**
- 1210 KGYN OK **Guymon** – 9/18 0558 – Under WPHT with C&W music, ID at 0600: “10,000 watts of today’s best country, KGYN Guymon-Liberal... a Steckline Communications station. The news starts now, it’s 5 o’clock” into Fox News. **(NjW-ON)**



- 1230 **WJOB** IN **Hammond** – 9/7 0625 – Poor in fade up with ad for “... memorial markers at 219-....” (219 is local area code, memorial markers is nice euphemism for gravestones) and station promo. **(JJR-MI)**
- WGUY** ME **Veazie** – 9/16 1900 – Good; “WGUY Veazie-Brewer-Bangor” triple-header ToH ID and “Oldies 94.1 WGUY” jingle. **(BC-NH)**
- WMPC** MI **Lapeer** – 9/16 0600 – ID by woman: “serving.... since 1926... WMPC Lapeer.” **(NjW-ON)**
- 1240 **WJMC** WI **Rice Lake** – 9/17 0600 – Arose from the jumble with legal ID that had man giving the 1240 AM frequency, a woman giving the 96.1 FM frequency and then man saying “Rice Lake.” **(NjW-ON)**
- 1260 **WWMK** OH **Cleveland** – 9/12 1902 – Over “Score 1260” (WSKO Syracuse, NY) sports talk with “AM 1260 WWMK Cleveland” legal ID by teenage-sounding girl amid usual Radio Disney crap. **(MKB-ON)**
- 1280 **WHVR** PA **Hanover** – 9/8 2008 – Presumed over WHTK (sports talk) and WADO (Spanish) with C&W songs, “Mainstream country AM 1280” slogan. **(MKB-ON)**
- WYVE** VA **Wytheville** – 917 1859 – C&W songs and ToH “WYVE” ID. **(NjW-ON)**
- 1290 **WCCC** CT **West Hartford** – 9/9 1900 – Popped up briefly; “...beethoven.com, the world’s classical radio,” into opera. **(BC-NH)**
- WWTX** DE **Wilmington** – 9/7 1900 – Fair; 1290theticket.com promo, and ID, “This is 1290 The Ticket, Delaware’s sports...” into Fox sports. **(BC-NH)**
- KOWB** WY **Laramie** – 9/7 0733 – Poor in tight null of others, “KOWB” clearly said twice. Off my Most Wanted list. NEW! **(JJR-MI)**
- 1300 **WOSW** NY **Fulton** – 9/16 1900 – Fair; “WOSW Fulton, Oswego County’s home for country legends, Country AM 1300, Real Country.” **(BC-NH)**
- 1310 **CIWW** ON **Ottawa** – 9/10 2110 – Poor in WIBA null with “1310 News” slogan and Toronto Blue Jays baseball game. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1330 **WEBO** NY **Owego** – 9/16 1900 – Good; “Remember, you get a local weather forecast every half hour and severe weather alerts at once from YNN on the Southern Tier’s hometown station, Newsradio WEBO,” and CBS news. **(BC-NH)**
- WFNN** PA **Erie** – 9/17 0100 – Poor; “You’re listening to The Fan 1330...” and Fox sports. **(BC-NH)**
- CJYM** SK **Rosetown** – 9/7 0640 – Poor, fading in and out, with local weather mentioning thunderstorms and morning show promo. No mention of 1210. (//CFYM-1210 Kindersley, SK) **(JJR-MI)**
- 1340 **WLEW** MI **Bad Axe** – 9/18 0602 – Local news, commercial for Peruski Insurance and also a woman proclaiming “Bad Axe is a great place to shop and do business!” **(NjW-ON)**
- WHAT** PA **Philadelphia** – 9/9 2000 – Fair; Philadelphia Eagles football in Spanish interspersed with football terms in English such as “third down.” **(BC-NH)**
- 1350 **WIOU** IN **Kokomo** – 9/18 0600 – “ESPN Sports 1350 AM WIOU Kokomo” ID into Mike & Mike ESPN programming talking about NFL football. **(NjW-ON)**
- WCMP** MN **Pine City** – 9/9 0844 – Poor in fade up with mention of “...with sports on WCMP” by young sounding jock. **(JJR-MI)**
- WOYK** PA **York** – 9/20 1904 – Over all comers with Dallastown Wildcats v. Dover Eagles high school football. Probably on regular power, not using any special high school football authority. It’s that time again on Friday nights! **(MKB-ON)**
- 1370 **KSUM** MN **Fairmont** – 9/9 0705 – Poor but over others with phone calls, local weather, chat between male and female program hosts, then lost. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1380 **WTJK** IL **South Beloit** – 9/9 0845 – Fair in surprise fade-up with “ESPN 1380” slogan, ESPN1380.com mentioned later. “Beloit’s Rock Bar & Grill” mentioned in promo. **(JJR-MI)**
- WABH** NY **Bath** – 9/17 1908 – Presumed in CKPC null with John Sterling & Suzyn Waldman’s call of Yankees-Blue Jays game from Toronto, //WCBS-880. **(MKB-ON)**
- 1390 **WLAN** PA **Lancaster** – 9/9 1900 – Fair; “...and now on FM at 97.3 HD2, this is WHP Harrisburg, it’s 7 o’clock,” into Fox news. 97.3 is WRVV. **(BC-NH)**
- WRSC** PA **State College** – 9/8 0500 – Fair; “A proud affiliate of the ABC radio network, this is Money Talk 1390 WRSC State College.” **(BC-NH)**
- 1410 **CJWI** QC **Montreal** – 9/16 0604 – Noted on new frequency (moved here from 1610) over CKSL-London and WDOE-Dunkirk with man speaking in French about Montreal. **(NjW-ON)**

- 1420 WJUB WI **Plymouth** – 9/10 0725 – Very poor in KTOE null with ad for Piggy Wiggly (food stores) and “1420 AM the Breeze” jingle. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1430 KLO UT **Ogden** – 9/11 0706 – Fair with CBS news, ad for Smetleys Heating at 801 area code, “serving for 66 years” ad or promo, America in the Morning show. No calls heard, but ad with area code fits. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1440 KRDZ CO **Wray** – 9/9 0824 – Poor in WNFL null with “1440-KRDZ” ID into Blood Sweat and Tears song. **(JJR-MI)**
- WJJL NY **Niagara Falls** – 9/12 2031 – Poor in WNFL null with call letter ID and oldies. Always chasing CKJR in Wetaskiwin, AB. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1450 WATZ MI **Alpena** – 9/16 0600 – ID as “Northeastern Michigan’s news and information station, WATZ AM Alpena,” into ABC news. **(NjW-ON)**
- WHTC MI **Holland** – 9/14 2030 – Poor over mess with “Sunday morning at 6 on AM 1450 WHTC” station promo into dating ad. **(JJR-MI)**
- WENI NY **Corning** – 9/15 0700 – ID that also mentions 1230-WENY into NBC news. **(NjW-ON)**
- WLEC OH **Sandusky** – 9/16 0700 – ToH ID and NBC news caught atop the graveyard jumble. **(NjW-ON)**
- 1460 WBRN MI **Big Rapids** – 9/12 2059 – Very poor with call letter ID, possibly with Mark Levin. Promo for Glenn Beck heard. **(JJR-MI)**
- KKAQ MN **Thief River Falls** – 9/6 2038 – Poor but over others with “KKAQ weather...” and promo for Thief River Falls bike ride. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1470 WMBD IL **Peoria** – 9/17 0500 – Fair; “1470 and 100.3 WMBD Peoria, Illinois, 100% news” and Fox news. **(BC-NH)**
- 1490 KRIB IA **Mason City** – 9/6 2027 – Poor with mention of “on KRIB...,” Lions (high school) Football and list of local sponsors. **(JJR-MI)**
- WKLQ MI **Whitehall** – 9/9 0844 – Very poor in brief fade-up with local ad mentioning “located in Whitehall. Call them at 213----” and lost. Not common. **(JJR-MI)**
- WERE OH **Cleveland Heights** – 9/17 1900 – Over WBTA-Batavia with “news talk 14-90 WERE” ID and mention of their website into ABC news. **(NjW-ON)**
- WLPA PA **Lancaster** – 9/9 2300 – Fair; “You’re listening to the worldwide leader in sports on Lancaster’s sports leader, this is ESPN 1490 WLPA Lancaster,” ex-Fox sports. **(BC-NH)**
- 1500 WQCR AL **Alabaster** – 8/30 0650 – Mexi-tunes, Spanish announcer. Male with canned “WQCR, Alabaster-Birmingham” ID at 0701 and back to Mexi-tunes. **(TLK-FL)**
- 1510 WUFC MA **Boston** – 9/16 1901 – Over UNID C&W station (not now-silent CKOT Tillsonburg, ON) with “this is WUFC 1510 NBC Sports radio” ID into sports talk. This station seems to change calls and formats as often as most people change their socks! **(MKB-ON)**
- 1520 KOLM MN **Rochester** – 9/15 0600 – ID: “KOLM Rochester, a Cumulus station” into CBS Sports Radio sports talk. Signal strength even with WWKB Buffalo. **(NjW-ON)**
- 1560 KBEW MN **Blue Earth** – 9/7 0706 – Poor with CBS news, Geico ad, local news, ad for Anderson Electric in Blue Earth. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1570 WFRL IL **Freeport** – 9/9 0829 – Poor with “1570 WFRL, the biggest hits of all time” slogan. In with a few others. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1580 WJFK MD **Morningside** – 9/7 2100 – Briefly over CKDO; CBS Sports Radio. **(BC-NH)**
- 1590 KVGB KS **Great Bend** – 9/11 0614 – Fair-good with “Kim Komando on 1590 KVGB” promo. Unusually loud, alone and almost un-nullable! **(JJR-MI)**
- 1650 KYHN AR **Fort Smith** – 9/14 2120 – Poor in null over two others with jingle after ad mentioning “I-40” and “AM 1650 Oklahoma’s talk radio” slogan. **(JJR-MI)** *Fort Smith is right on the border with Oklahoma and I-40 runs right through it. Mike*
- 1660 KQWB ND **West Fargo** – 9/14 2116 – Poor with “instant request” and “I’m listening on KQWB (oddly enough) TrueOldies1660...” station promo. Music might be moving from here as TrueOldies1660.com now points to “92.7 the Drive.” **(JJR-MI)**
- 1690 KDDZ CO **Arvada** – 9/12 0724 – Poor but steady with Disney key words, Radio Disney programming and no usual WVON. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1700 KBGG IA **Des Moines** – 9/8 0500 – Under WJCC; CBS Sports Radio, “...1700 The Champ” slogan. **(BC-NH)**

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Trans-Atlantic DX

- 531 **ALGERIA** *Jil FM, F'kirina Wilaya d'Oum El Bouaghi* SEP 9 0159 – Arabic music parallel 549; poor to fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 531 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros SEP 16 0300 – Fair in 530 CIAO splatter; time marker and fanfare into news. [Conti-NH]
- 549 **ALGERIA** *Jil FM, Les Trembles* SEP 9 0159 – Parallel 531 with string music, flutes; fair. [Connelly-MA] SEP 17 2302 – Strong with man in Arabic talking over a western style dance tune. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 621 **CANARY ISLANDS//SPAIN** *RNE1* synchros SEP 6 2300 – Soft piano music, 5+1 pips, Spanish news; to fair peak. [Connelly-MA]
- 639 **SPAIN** *RNE1 La Coruña et al.* SEP 9 0200 – 5+1 pips, fanfare music, *R.Nacional de España* ID, news; to fair peak. [Connelly-MA]
- 675 **NETHERLANDS** *R.Maria, Lopik* SEP 17 0300 – Good signal but difficult to copy in 680 WRKO splatter; canned *R.Maria* ID and organ music. [Conti-NH]
- 693 **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 5, Droitwich et al.* SEP 9 0200 – BBC news; poor to fair. [Connelly-MA] SEP 18 0000 – Good, with synchro echo; “First with breaking news and the best live sport, this is BBC Radio 5 Live,” into news. [Conti-NH] 
- 747 **NETHERLANDS** *Radio 5 Nostalgia, Zeewolde* SEP 17 2320 – Fair to good; pop oldies and jingles. [Conti-NH]
- 756 **GERMANY** *Deutschlandfunk, Braunschweig & Ravensburg* SEP 16 0300 – Good; jazz instrumental into “Deutschlandfunk” sounder and news in German. [Conti-NH]
- 774 **EGYPT** *Middle East Radio, Abis* SEP 9 0201 – Arabic vocal; over Spain. [Connelly-MA]
- 783 **MAURITANIA** *R.Mauritanie, Nouakchott* SEP 9 0200 – A cappella male Arabic vocal across the top of the hour; fair. [Connelly-MA] SEP 17 0140 – Good; mix of telephone talk and North African music. [Conti-NH]
- 837 **CANARY ISLANDS//SPAIN** *COPE* synchros SEP 9 0200 – Bits of Spanish talk by man; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 837 **IRAN** *IRIB R.Iran, Isfahan* SEP 18 0000 – Poor; co-channel *France Info* intro music to news, then the choral national anthem popped up, identical to an Iran anthem on the interval signals website. Thanks to Mauno Ritola at RealDX for the help. [Conti-NH]
- 855 **ROMANIA** *România Actualitati, Tancabesti* SEP 18 0156 – Over Spain; long version of choral national anthem. [Conti-NH]
- 864 **EGYPT** *Holy Koran Program, Santah* SEP 18 0300 – Fair; Koranic recitation through the hour. [Conti-NH]
- 909 **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 5* synchros SEP 9 0200 – BBC news by man and woman; poor to fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 936 **IRAN** *IRIB R.Iran, Urumiyeh* SEP 17 2330 – Good to excellent; vocal with setar, brief announcement in Farsi, mentioned “Radyoe Iran” and “Sedaye Jomhuriye Islamiye Iran,” then back to setar music. Thanks to Sylvain Naud and Mauno Ritola of RealDX. [Conti-NH]
- 945 **FRANCE** *France Info, Toulouse* SEP 9 0200 – *France Info* theme music, talk by woman in French; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 972 **GERMANY** *NDR Info, Hamburg* SEP 16 0300 – Fair; “ARD Info, NDR Info Nachtrichten” into news in German. [Conti-NH] 
- 1089 **UNITED KINGDOM** *TalkSport* synchros SEP 16 2301 – Fair; end of news update into electronic sound effects introducing *TalkSport* weather, then a report about Australia cricket. [Conti-NH]
- 1107 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros SEP 6 2359 – Woman in Spanish; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1206 **FRANCE** *France Info, Bordeaux* SEP 7 0001 – Woman in French; through 1200 WXKS slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 1377 **FRANCE** *France Info, Lille* SEP 9 0200 – News by woman parallel 945; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 1521 **SAUDI ARABIA** *BSKSA Duba* SEP 6 2301 – Man in Arabic; fair. [Connelly-MA]

Pan-American DX

- 540 **MEXICO** XETX Nuevo Casas Grandes, Chih. SEP 8 1149 – Immediate ID upon tune-in as “La Ranchera de Paquimé” on AM and FM, back to music. [Hauser-OK]
- 550 **MEXICO** XEPL *La Super Estación*, Cd. Cuauhtémoc, Chih. SEP 11 1212 – Mexican music, losing out to KFRM by 1214. No doubt the only northwest Mexican, XEPL. That’s one with some Low German, but no announcements heard today. SEP 19 1203 – Choral national anthem finishes, full ID for XEPL on 91.3 and 550, 24 hours, “La Súper Estación”; 1204 consumer program called ‘Radio Express’. [Hauser-OK]
- 560 **MEXICO** XEXZ Zacatecas, Zac. SEP 8 1151 – After song lyrics “alma de niña, cuerpo de diosa,” ID mentions 93-3, so the only match there in Cantú is XEXZ *Lupe* + FM 93.3. [Hauser-OK]
- 570 **MEXICO** XEJB Monterrey, NL SEP 8 0520 – Mexican music is dominating, southwest-ish, then PAN ad, next break 0524 a promo for Monterrey Televisión, so it’s XEJB, supposedly 500 watts night per 2013 WRTH and 2012 IRCA Mexican Log. SEP 12 1142 – PSA string, mostly federales, “escucha Noti-Radio 570,” sounder, then mentions Monterrey, so as expected it’s XEJB, a.k.a. just “Radio 570” en Cantú, IRCA and WRTH; and a departure from the norteña/ranchera format as in IRCA Log. Also produces a low rumbling het, as it’s slightly off-frequency to the hi side. Often it’s just the het bothering other stations such as KSNM which I had suspected of being the culprit. It’s not unusual for mostly musical XE stations to include a morning news block and this may be one of them. [Hauser-OK]
- 590 **CUBA** *R.Musical Nacional*, Santa Clara SEP 10 0500 – Over/under WEZE and CJCL; classical music through the hour, parallel 1140 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 610 **MEXICO** XEGS Guasave, Sin. SEP 10 0548 – Promo for 106.1 FM, maybe “La GS,” what a nice FM/AM match, as in Cantú XEGS *La Ley* + FM 106.1. [Hauser-OK]
- 620 **MEXICO** XEBU *La Norteñita*, Chihuahua, Chih. SEP 9 1205 – Mexican national anthem goes to Chihuahua state anthem, so as expected, XEBU, dominant XE on 620 here. Tho this time it’s under sports talk in English, surely KTAR Phoenix; my nearest 620, KMIK *R.Disney*, Plano (hijacked from KWFT Wichita Falls), is easily overcome, tho on daytime groundwave it conspires with 640 Moore to inundate 630 with IBOC noise; otherwise Denver or St. Louis might barely make it. [Hauser-OK]
- 660 **MEXICO** XEACB *La Lupe*, Cd. Delicias, Chih. SEP 10 1207 – Some Mexican is playing “Mañanitas”; 1209 time check for “6:07 en La Lupe.” [Hauser-OK]
- 670 **MEXICO** XETOR *R.Ranchito*, Torreón, Coah. SEP 9 1201 – Just as I start SRS MW session, ID as “Radio Ranchito, del Grupo Radio México.” This signal quite weak compared to many more XEs still skywaving in the low band from further west. SEP 12 1159 – Grupo Radio México has job openings, qualifications specified, then full ID for *R.Ranchito*, street address, etc., Torreón, con mil vatios. SEP 19 1201 – Full ID atop the channel but never very strong. [Hauser-OK]
- 680 **MEXICO** XEORO Guasave, Sin. SEP 11 1210 – Local wakeup host with saludos a pescadores, ganadores (fishers, cattle-raisers), mentions Guasave, norte de Sinaloa, so it’s XEORO, 1/0.5 kW per Cantú. 1212 promo a Saturday show at 11:30-1; 1215 losing to sports talk in English, presumably KNBR. [Hauser-OK]
- 700 **MEXICO** unID SEP 10 1141 – Just a hummy carrier, and still so at 1210; loops southwest/northeast. Suspect Mexico; XEGD Chihuahua would fit for that. Previously logged XEETCH further northwest in Sonora with real modulation. SEP 11 1200 – Before 1200 UTC I am again hearing that open carrier with a hum, while several northwest Mexicans are still propagating in the 600s and 700s. SEP 12 1145 – Woman and man with news in Spanish from datelines all over the country, loops southwest (discounting northeast). Suspect same station as I have been hearing recently with nothing but hum, likely XEGD but can’t completely rule out XEDKR. Retune 1201 UTC, probably same station and now Jalisco is less likely, almanac for 12 de setiembre including: something about Katharine Hepburn with a movie clip in English; 1953 Stalin to Khrushchev; 1989 Luna-2 launched; 1989 Germany algo; 1998 peace in N Ireland; 2010 Chile miners rescued; 1204 UTC “Noticias MVS” acknowledging Canal 5 and 97.3 FM. This however originates with 102.5 XHMVS in the DF. I also logged MVS news April 25 but couldn’t find an affiliate on 700; see DXLD 13-18. [Hauser-OK]
- 710 **MEXICO** XEDP Cuauhtémoc, Chih. SEP 11 1210 – Discussion of August (or Sept?) 4+ Richter earthquakes near Parral and Jiménez (short versions of town names), no doubt usual XEDP. [Hauser-OK]
- 720 **MEXICO** XEDE Saltillo, Coah. SEP 12 1150 – “La Kaliente” slogan with 105.7, i.e. this by itself now, but which all evening is the SAH nemesis of WGN, per Cantú XEDE *La Kaliente* + FM 105.7. [Hauser-OK]

- 720 **MEXICO** XEAVR *R.Fórmula*, Veracruz, Ver. SEP 19 1144 – Mentions Grupo Fórmula, SEP PSA, ad for ranchera CD to celebrate independence, 1146 a *R.Fórmula* full ID but too much interference; includes an FM frequency with an 8 in it and 720 AM. Therefore per Cantú it can only be this one, sunrise now late enough for the east coast still to be propagating: XEAVR *R.Fórmula 1er Cadena* + FM 89.1. [Hauser-OK]
- 780 **MEXICO** XEWGR *Exa FM*, Monclova, Coah. SEP 14 0502 – Coahuila state anthem is playing, roughly opposite direxion from WBBM which could not be nulled, but enough signal by comparison, unlike at 0505 when WBBM is starting ‘When Radio Was’ with music theme. Therefore, it’s XEWGR, the only Coahuilense on 780, 5/0.25 kW, 24 hours per IRCA Mexican Log. KSPI has been behaving itself lately without open carrier all night, tho it would be nullable. [Hauser-OK]
- 800 **MEXICO** XEROK Cd. Juárez, Chih. SEP 15 1149 – Big slow SAH between XEROK and KQCV, 50 per minute equals 5/6 of one Hz separation. [Hauser-OK]
- 850 **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, Nueva Gerona SEP 10 0501 – Under WEEI and WFTL; RR Morse code. [Conti-NH]
- 850 **MEXICO** XEM Chihuahua, Chih. SEP 14 0503 – Classic rock in English, so it must be a Mexican: yes, 0505 ID as *Milenio Radio* and another tune in English. KOA nulled but hardly necessary. [Hauser-OK]
- 870 **MEXICO** XETAR Chihuahua, Chih. SEP 8 1206 – Talk in Indian language, but pronounces XETAR in Spanish; soon live DJ back in Spanish mentions La Voz de la Sierra Tarahumara, which is in Guachochi, Chihuahua. SEP 10 1213 – Obviously XETAR playing a “Mañanitas” version by Chipmunks (doublepitch voices), hee hee, including English “happy birthday to you” twice or thrice. So there’s another exotic language on this indigenoustation. [Hauser-OK]
- 880 **MEXICO** XEV Chihuahua, Chih. SEP 17 1158 – “Grupo Fórmula” promo, slow SAH with KRVN. Ergo it’s XEV; by 1200 losing out to a cappella hymn, probably KLRG Arkansas. [Hauser-OK]
- 880 **MEXICO** unID SEP 10 1215 – “La Rancherita de...” slogan, CST time check for 6:14, young woman DJ, then 6:15 time check and federal PSA for reforma educativa, so no doubt it’s a Mexican. Zone means it has to be a change for one of these two in Cantú: XEV *R.Fórmula*, or XEPNK *Planeta*. The “Rancherita” in Los Mochis is listed as 1450, XECU which might have swapped; however, Cantú has no Chihuahua-city AM or FM stations by that name, so it’s a market ripe for its own Rancherita. At this time there was not much KRVN from north but nulled it anyway. Not to be confused with mere non-diminutive “La Ranchera” newish identity of WMDB Nashville as heard yesterday a few minutes earlier. One is relying on neither station ever varying its slogan. [Hauser-OK]
- 890 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Chambas SEP 13 0515 – Spanish discussion of cathedrals and their addresses in Habana; DF also fits for Cuba. 2013 WRTH shows 200 kW *R.Progreso* and one low-power elsewhere on 890; 200 kW, the highest MW power now listed for Cuba, also applies to one of the numerous Rebelde transmitters on 710 at same site, and another site on 1180. This 890 does not have the punch would expect from all those kW. Not much signal from WLS at the moment, and the co-channel interference in Spanish is normally from gospel-huxter KVOZ, thought to be failing to protect WLS at night and even running day power of 10 kW ND at night instead of 1 kW direxional. Worse, it’s almost opposite here from Chicago, making it hard to null in favor of WLS. *R.Progreso* soon fades and later KVOZ is back. [Hauser-OK]
- 900 **MEXICO** XEOK Monterrey, NL SEP 16 1142 – Two men are chatting and laughing, good dominant signal, XEW? Switch to reporter about crimes/accidents in the Estado de México, and an item about buses. This is Independence Day, so likely to be programming disruptions, more stations relaying output from the DF than usual, as heard on several other frequencies from other sources. Promo for “Siempre en 88.9,” 1146 adstring. Of the six 900s in Cantú, five have other FM frequencies, no 88.9s, and one without. But in the FM list, that slogan chex out as XHM *Siempre 88.9 México*, DF, which I got on FM DX years ago when it had some other identity. So which station on 900 would be mentioning it more than once? The DF lineup shows XHM is in the Grupo Acir, so the 900 would unlikely be XEW. Which 900s are in Grupo Acir? 2012 IRCA Log shows the only one is XEOK Monterrey, 10/0.25 kW, which is certainly likely now on day power. [Hauser-OK]
- 900 **MEXICO** unID SEP 19 1206 – Choral national anthem running late or a very long version, loops southwest, 1207 full ID mentions Cuauhtémoc, 98.3, maybe ACIR Radio group, and maybe “Radio Impacto.” Cantú has another but related slogan: XEDT *Hits FM* + FM 98.3. Googling XEDT leads to yet other names, possibly outdated: *R.Divertida*, and *La Reina*. However, not on the ACIR station list nor any other in that city. [Hauser-OK]

- 910 **CUBA** *R.Cadena Agramonte*, Camagüey SEP 10 0800 – Fair; ascending notes marking the hour, canned ID, “Desde la cuna de el mayor transmite Radio Cadena Agramonte, Camagüey, Cuba.” [Conti-NH]
- 920 **MEXICO** unID SEP 17 1201 – Instrumental national anthem, nonetheless multi-verse, and losing out to interference before any ID. Which XEs are in the UTC-6 zone, likely 6 a.m. time to be antheming? One of these two per Cantú: XEQD *Romance* + FM 95.7 or XECQ *La Nueva Ranchera* + FM 104.1. [Hauser-OK]
- 980 **MEXICO** XEDCH *La Romántica*, Cd. Delicias, Chih. SEP 19 1209 – Choral national anthem ends, either late or very very long version, long pause, and 1210 announcement does not seem like full ID but unreadable. Yet assuming it’s in the UTC-6 zone, playing anthem around 6 a.m. local, Cantú shows only XEDCH. [Hauser-OK]
- 1000 **MEXICO** XEFV Cd. Juárez, Chih. SEP 6 0600 – Choral national anthem playing here too, and it too is over by 0602 retune when back to other music; at times dominating KTOK, and from experience I know this one is XEFV, no daytimer despite Cantú as such; altho there are another Chihuahuan and two Sinaloans also in UTC-6. [Hauser-OK]
- 1030 **MEXICO** unID SEP 6 0600 – Choral national anthem, with co-channel interference and SAH, already over at 0602 retune and may have missed an ID. I was hoping there would be only one XE in the UTC-6 zone since anthem habitually plays at local midnite (except UTC Mondays when it may accompany earlier ‘La Hora Nacional’ instead), but IRCA and Cantú show there are two: XEYC Cd. Juárez, and XEMPM Los Mochis. [Hauser-OK]
- 1060 **MEXICO** XEEP *R.Educación*, México DF SEP 10 0500 – Over/under KYW and presumed *Radio 26*; choral national anthem. [Conti-NH]
- 1110 **CUBA** *R.Angulo*, Holguín SEP 8 0600 – Over/under WBT; announcement of telephone numbers including 424975 which matches numbers for *R.Angulo* reported by Gert Nilsson and “Onda Cero” program per Henrik Klemetz. Thanks to Andrew Brade at *RealDX*. [Conti-NH]
- 1180 **MEXICO** unID SEP 8 1218 – Pause in music for nothing but a 6:17 time check in Spanish, with north/south Omaha nulled, but avoiding IBOC noise from east/west 1170 KFAQ Tulsa only by off-tuning to 1178 or 1179. In Cantú there are two in the UTC-6 zone: XEUBS *Radio UABCS*, and XEJK *Ke Buena*. Likely the latter as it unseemed non-commercial. Soon faded out. [Hauser-OK]
- 1190 unID SEP 17 1207 – Spanish with language lesson about words: colateral; “protagónico” does not exist despite related words protagonista, etc. 1208 on to Mexican news about tormentas tropicales hitting both coasts with clips of various officials; 40,000 turistas affected in Acapulco; 1215 losing out to co-channel interference. Certainly sounds like a Mexican, but some U.S. stations do too; loops close to east/west indicating one of these unlikely XEs: XEMBC *Canal 1190 AM* or XEPZ *R.Norteña*. Another possibility is the one U.S. Spanish station westward: KNUV *Grupo Fórmula, La Radio Excelente*. [Hauser-OK]
- 1410 **MEXICO** XECF *La Mexicana*, Los Mochis, Sin. SEP 17 1217 – Spanish ad in pesos, SAH of about 5.5 Hz with probably Wichita, loops WSW/ENE; ad for Universidad del Pacífico Norte with phone number, two or three gobierno del estado PSAs, mentioning Sinaloa, “información al momento” by calling phone number. Then lists several AM and FM stations including 1270, 102.7, 94.3, 101.3, 93.3, 1410, including Mazatlán, Los Mochis, on “cadena en vivo,” so doubtless it’s the only 1410 Sinaloan. [Hauser-OK]
- 1520 **MEXICO** unID SEP 16 1158 – KOKC has heavy interference making a fast SAH in Spanish, talking about el Dia de la Independencia, 1159 woman wrapping up her show. Too much KOKC interference to catch any ID as KOKC goes from WSJ to CBS World News Roundup at 1200. Can’t null out one or the other, but by proximity likely one of these: XEVUC *La Norteñita*, or XEYP *Imagen*. Not the first time I have had such an unID; unlikely to be a U.S. station as none in the area, nor listed as Spanish even in Texas. [Hauser-OK]
- 2910 **MEXICO** XEVT Villahermosa, Tab. SEP 11 1131 – Man and man (instead of usual woman and man) with news in Spanish vs noise level, and those annoying on-and-off local bursts every few minutes at 1134 and 1137; 1135 a bit stronger with 6:35 timecheck; 1138 mentions industria petrolera; 1139 peak with a string of addresses mentioning Villahermosa. 3 x 970 XEVT Tabasco is indeed still here for another season. Thanks to VL8T staying on 4910, now it’s easy to home in on 2910 which is 2 MHz lower on the FRG-7. [Hauser-OK]

Hauser tuning Japanese: 747 & 774 kHz, JBA carriers from the northwest, Sept 11 at 1149, no doubt the NHK powerhouses for the first time this season; also 828 at 1154 UTC. Meanwhile, quickly stepping thru the MW band on up to 1220 on 9 kHz spacings with off-tuned BFO to detect carriers, also found some on 1134 and 1152 kHz. I had been looking for the NHKs several mornings, but maybe too early or too late. This is also prime time for 90 and 60m DX from PNG and Indonesia!

Not to mention lots of Mexicans on 10-kHz spacings. Neighbor Richard N. Allen out of Perry OK with a better antenna has also been hearing the NHKs for a few days shortly before our sunrises, currently in Enid 1211 UTC. Sept 12 at 1151 UTC, JBA NW carriers doubtless from the 500 kW NHK-2 outlets, 747 JOIB Sapporo, and 774 JOUB Akita. TP carrier search Sept 15 at 1141-1145 UT finds some JBAs on 747, 774, 828, 972, 1053. I really have no doubt that the first three are NHK Japan, and little doubt that the other two are South Korea. Sept 16 at 1149 UT: JBAs on 738, 747, 774, 972, 1053, i.e. likely respectively: Tahiti, Japan, Japan, South Korea, South Korea. Sept 17 at 1150 UT: JBAs on 774, 972; after finding 120, 105, 90 and 60m quite unproductive with only JBAs there. 774 and 972 were also the only two neighbor Richard Allen was hearing today over a longer timespan.

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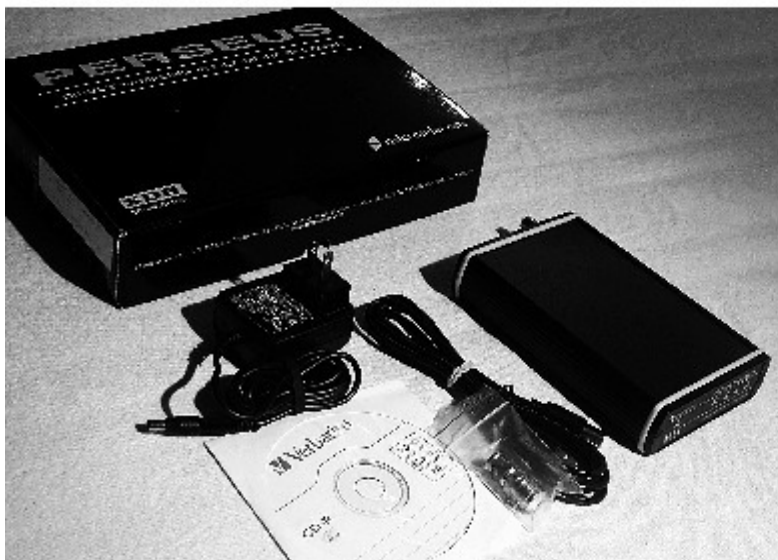
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<u>Station</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>DXer</u>	<u>DX Location</u>	<u>Miles</u>
KAAA AZ	Kingman	Ron Schiller	St. George, UT	110
KLAV NV	Las Vegas	Ron Schiller	St. George, UT	124

1240 kHz

<u>Station</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>DXer</u>	<u>DX Location</u>	<u>Miles</u>
WGBB NY	Freeport	Niel Wolfish	Louisbourg, NS	* 773
WIST NC	Charlotte	Russ Edmunds	Syracuse, NY	+ 605

1340 kHz

<u>Station</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>DXer</u>	<u>DX Location</u>	<u>Miles</u>
KIKO AZ	Miami	Ron Schiller	St. George, UT	* 293
WLEW MI	Bad Axe	Neil Kazaross	Barrington, IL	+ 282
WXKX WV	Clarksburg	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	+ 275
CKHV NL	Happy Valley-Goose	Niel Wolfish	Louisbourg, NS	* 511

1400 kHz

<u>Station</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>DXer</u>	<u>DX Location</u>	<u>Miles</u>
WTSL NH	Claremont	Russ Edmunds	Blue Bell, PA	+ 288
WOND NJ	Pleasantville	Niel Wolfish	Louisbourg, NS	+ 863
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1490 kHz

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KZZZ AZ	Bullhead City	Ron Schiller	St. George, UT	* 147
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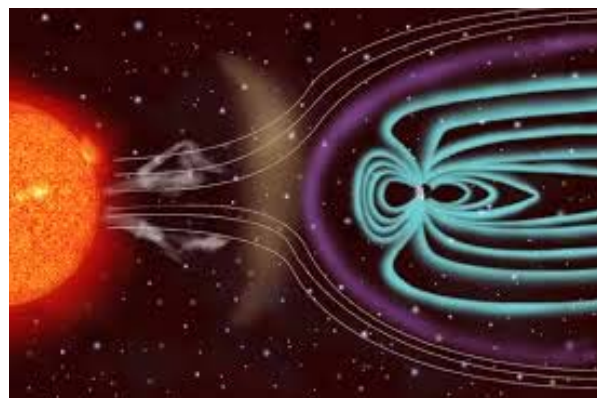
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