

ANNUAL  
CONVENTION

NATIONAL  
RADIO  
CLUB

OMAHA, NEBRASKA

SEPT. 5-6-7, 1959

TOWN HOUSE



WELCOME !

N. R. C. CONVENTIONEERS

WELCOME TO OMAHA FOR THE BIG 1959 NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CONVENTION. WE ARE MOST HAPPY THAT YOU COULD MAKE TRIP TO OMAHA AND WE WILL DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO MAKE YOUR STAY HERE MOST ENJOYABLE AND YOUR VISIT TO OUR CITY A PLEASANT EXPERIENCE.

PLEASE DON'T FEEL THAT YOU ARE A STRANGER HERE. OMAHA IS HOME FOR 350,000 AMERICANS! IF YOU NEED ANY INFORMATION OR HELP, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CALL UPON ONE OF THE OMAHA HOST NRC MEMBERS.

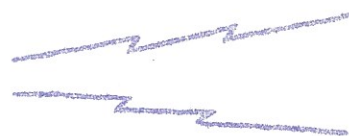
THIS IS YOUR OFFICIAL 1959 NRC CONVENTION BOOKLET. WE HOPE THAT IT WILL HELP AS A GUIDE TO EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES THAT ARE TAKING PLACE DURING THE CONVENTION.

1959 NRC CONVENTION COMMITTEE





# N R C



OMAHA, NEBRASKA  
CONVENTION CITY

Dear NRC Member:

As you know by now the National Radio Club is planning its big 1959 annual national convention here in Omaha over the big Labor Day weekend, September 5-6-7.

Omaha chapter members have been planning for months now anticipating the arrival of this big event. This year's convention will be held at the nationally-famous Tower House here in Omaha. It is a most ideal location for this type of convention.

If you are one of the NRC members who has never been able to attend one of these DX gatherings, you have really missed something! If you are one of our newer members, let us tell you that you are in for a most pleasant surprise when you attend one of these big conventions.

We here in Omaha are looking forward to a record-breaking attendance this year. Because Omaha is centrally-located it will present a wonderful opportunity for you to meet DX'ers from a great many areas of the country.

This is our special invitation to you to attend the big 1959 NRC Convention. We are planning this with you the DX'er in mind. When the DX'ers gather here on September 5th, will you be here? We certainly hope that you will, and we will be looking forward to seeing you soon now.

Your host chapter, from  
the OMAHA area,

*Marvin E. Robbins*  
*John Sampson*  
*Murray C. Mann*  
*Phil J. Robbins*  
*Ernest J. Wesolowski*



PROGRAM OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 4 - FRIDAY

8:00 - 10:00 PM

Pre-convention get-together. Those members already present meet in the lobby of the Town House.

SEPTEMBER 5 - SATURDAY

8:00 AM - 12 NOON

Official 1959 NRC Convention registration in the lobby of the Town House

12 NOON - 1:15 PM

Lunch on your own

1:30 - 4:30 PM

Tour of the transmitting facilities of Omaha's radio stations:

KOWH-660

60th and Redman

WOW-590

56th and Kansas Ave.

KOOO-1420

Near east end of South Omaha Bridge

KSWI-1560

On Highway U.S. 275 (Council Bluffs)

KOIL-1290

On Highway U.S. 275 (Council Bluffs)

KFAB-1110

Fort Crook Road

KBON-1490

2807 So. 38th St.

We are on a rather tight schedule with this tour, so we won't spend a great amount of time at any one station. For location of the transmitting facilities, check map on page 4. We will try to keep together as much as possible. Drivers of each car will be given special instructions.

8:00 PM

The Annual National Radio Club Banquet

Presiding: Ray B. Edge, President of the National Radio Club

Speaker: Arthur A. Johnson, Engineer in Charge, Grand Island Monitoring Station of the Federal Communications Commission

SEPTEMBER 6 - SUNDAY

No convention program is planned for Sunday morning, and we suggest that you attend the church of your choice. On page 9 is a list of the closest church for each denomination. To check location use map on page 5.

1:30 PM

Sunday Afternoon Banquet at Kenny's Steak House located at 7205 Dodge St. Kenny's is located just across the 72nd St. intersection on the south side of the street. At this time we will have our annual convention quiz conducted by Marvin Robbins, Len Kruse, and John Sampson.



After the banquet is finished, there will be several hours of time in the afternoon. We suggest a DX Swim Party for those who have their swimming suits with them and who have not already had the wonderful opportunity to try out the Town House swimming pool.

7:30 PM

At this time we will journey to the home of member John Sampson located at 7940 Pacific St. (see map page 5). We suggest that you leave by the rear of the Town House and continue over to 72nd St. as Dodge is heavily travelled and a poor place to make a left-hand turn. Continue south on 72nd St. to Pacific St. Turn right (now going west) and continue west to 7940 Pacific St. Please park on 80th St. as Pacific carries heavy traffic.

SEPTEMBER 7 - MONDAY - LABOR DAY

9:30 AM

Visit to the studios of Radio Station KFAB located at 5010 Underwood St. (see map page 5).

NOON

Lunch on your own

This ends the official 1959 National Radio Club Convention activities. Even though no official events are planned after 12 noon on Labor Day, we hope that NRC members and guests will take a little time to get together and exchange notes and talk DX with one another. The Town House never closes and we would like you to stay as long as you may wish.

I would like to acknowledge with thanks the help received from two other Omaha area members, Ernie Weselowski and Murray Mann, who helped a great deal to make this convention possible. Also, I would like to extend a hearty thank-you on behalf of the National Radio Club to Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Sampson, and NRC member John Sampson who graciously hosted our Sunday evening get-together. Also, thanks are due to the many others who in some way have contributed to the success of the 1959 NRC Convention.

We are certainly happy that you could make the journey to be with us in Omaha this year. We hope that you have enjoyed your stay for the few days and it is our wish that you will have an enjoyable and pleasant trip home.

Marvin E. Robbins  
1959 NRC Convention Host



## What do Nebraska Radio Station Call-Letters Mean?

KAWL	York	Chosen for similarity to word "call" (est. 1954)
KBON	Omaha	(unknown) (est. 1942)
KBRL	McCook	"Keynoting Better Radio Listening" (est. 1947)
KBRX	O'Neill	A similarity to "BaR-X" (ranch country) (est. 1955; changed from KVHC in 1958)
KONI	Broken Bow	"Keeping Central Nebraska Informed" (est. 1949)
KCOW	Alliance	K-COW "Cattle Capital of Nebraska" (est. 1949)
KCSR	Chadron	K-Community Service Radio (est. 1954)
KFAB	Omaha	(unknown) (originally located at Lincoln, Nebr. in 1924)
KFOR	Lincoln	(unknown) (est. 1924)
KGFW	Kearney	K-Good Fellows of the World (fraternal order) (est. 1927 at Ravenna, Nebr., moved to Kearney in 1930)
KHAS	Hastings	K-HASTings (est. 1940)
KHUB	Fremont	(unknown) (originally KORN, est. 1939; changed to KFGT in 1948; changed to KHUB in 1959)
KIMB	Kimball	KIMBall (est. 1959)
KJLT	North Platte	"King Jesus Lives Today" (est. 1952 as KNBR; changed to KJLT in 1957)
KJSK	Columbus	(unknown) (est. 1948)
KLIN	Lincoln	K-LINcoln (est. 1947 as KOLN; changed to KLIN in 1956)
KLMS	Lincoln	K-"Lincoln's Music Station" (est. 1949)
KMMJ	Grand Island	Initials of original owner, M. M. Johnson (est. 1925 in Clay Center, Nebr.)
KNCY	Nebraska City	K-Nebraska City (est. 1959)
KNEB	Scottsbluff	K-NEbraska (est. 1948)
KODY	North Platte	named after "Buffalo Bill" Cody and station is located at his original home (est. 1930 as KGNF)
KOGA	Ogallala	K-OGallala (est. 1955)
KOIL	Omaha	OIL stands for Mona Motor Oil Co., the original owner (est. 1925 in Council Bluffs, later moved to Omaha) /as KGKY)
KOLT	Scottsbluff	Chosen for similarity to word "colt" (est. 1930)
KOOO	Omaha	"O" for Omaha used in triplicate (est. 1957)
KOWH	Omaha	Owned at one time by the Omaha World-Herald (newspaper) (est. 1922 as WAAW; changed to KOWH in 1931)
KRFS	Superior	K-"Radio For Superior" (est. 1958)
KRGI	Grand Island	K-"Radio Grand Island" (est. 1953)
KRNY	Kearney	KearNeY (est. 1956)
KRVN	Lexington	K-"Rural Voice of Nebraska" (est. 1950)
KSID	Sidney	K-SIDney (est. 1952)
KTNC	Falls City	The letters are the first letters of the names of the family of the owner: Kaye, Tom, Melena, and Craig (est. 1957)
KUVR	Holdrege	Chosen for similarity to word "coverage" (est. 1956)
KWBE	Beatrice	Original choice of letters unknown, but the use of Kwee Bee (wee bee) is done by KWBE (est. 1949)
WJAG	Norfolk	originally the outgrowth of an amateur radio station using similar letters (est. 1922)
WOW	Omaha	originally owned by Woodmen of the World (insurance) in Omaha (est. 1923)



DX DOWN THE DIAL

We here in Omaha know that it is always of interest to visiting DX'ers to learn just what stations can be heard from this location during the daylight hours. The following readings were taken at 1:30 pm in January of this year.

540	KWMT	Ft. Dodge, Iowa	S-9 plus 15
550	KFRM	Concordia, Kansas	S-9 plus 15 (plus KSD)
560	KWTO	Springfield, Missouri	S-9
570	WNAX	Yankton, South Dakota	S-9 plus 23
580	WIBW	Topeka, Kansas	S-9 plus 23
590	WOW	Omaha, Nebraska (local)	S-9 plus 36
600	WMT	Cedar Rapids, Iowa	S-9 plus 15
610	WDAF	Kansas City, Missouri	S-9 plus 17
620	KMNS	Sioux City, Iowa	S-9 plus 15
630	KXOK	St. Louis, Missouri	S-6/9
640	WOI	Ames, Iowa	S-9 plus 18
650	WSM	Nashville, Tenn.	S-1 (on good days - winter)
660	KOWH	Omaha, Nebraska (local)	S-9 plus 30
670	WMAQ	Chicago, Illinois	S-7 $\frac{1}{2}$
680	KFEQ	St. Joseph, Missouri	S-9 plus 16
690	KGGF	Coffeyville, Kansas	S-7 (plus KUSD)
700	WLW	Cincinnati, Ohio	S-2 (on good days - winter)
710	WHB	Kansas City, Missouri	S-9 plus 5
720	WGN	Chicago, Illinois	S-4 $\frac{1}{2}$
730	KWOA	Worthington, Minnesota	S-7 (plus WOW)
740	KBOE	Oskaloosa, Iowa	S-6
750	KMMJ	Grand Island, Nebraska	S-8
760	WJR	Detroit, Michigan	S- $\frac{1}{2}$ (on good days - winter)
770	WCAL	Northfield, Minnesota	S-4/5
	KUOM	Minneapolis, Minnesota	S-4/5
780	WJAG	Norfolk, Nebraska	S-9
790	KXXX	Colby, Kansas	S-7/8
800	KXIC	Iowa City, Iowa	S-2/5
810	KCMO	Kansas City, Missouri	S-9 plus 15
820	WFAA/WBAP	Dallas/Ft. Worth, Tex.	S-5
830	WCCO	Minneapolis, Minnesota	S-7
840	WHAS	Louisville, Kansas	S-2 $\frac{1}{2}$ (on good days - winter)
850	KOA	Denver, Colorado	S-3/5 (plus KFUE)
860	KOAM	Pittsburg, Kansas	S-5/9 (plus KNUJ)
870	WWL	New Orleans, Louisiana	S-2 (on good days - winter)
880	WRFD	Worthington, Ohio	S-2 (on good days - winter)
890	WLS	Chicago, Illinois	S-3
900	KJSK	Columbus, Nebraska	S-9 plus 10
910	KGLC	Miami, Oklahoma	S-2/5
920	KFNF	Shenandoah, Iowa	S-9 plus 11
930	WKY	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	S-3/5 (plus KSDN and WTAD)
940	KIOA	Des Moines, Iowa	S-9 plus 3
950	KJRG	Newton, Kansas	S-4/6
960	KMA	Shenandoah, Iowa	S-9 plus 17
970	KJLT	North Platte, Nebraska	S-3
980	KMBC	Kansas City, Missouri	S-5 $\frac{1}{2}$
990	KAYL	Storm Lake, Iowa	S-7 $\frac{1}{2}$
1000	WCFL	Chicago, Illinois	S-2
1010	KRVN	Lexington, Nebraska	S-6



1020	WPEO Peoria, Illinois plus WCIL Carbondale, Illinois	S- $\frac{1}{2}$ (on good days - winter)
1030	KATR Corpus Christi, Texas	S- $\frac{1}{2}$ (on good days - winter)
1040	WHO Des Moines, Iowa	S-9
1050	KLOH Pipestone, Minnesota	S- $\frac{3}{4}$ (plus KSIS)
1060	WNOE New Orleans, Louisiana	S- $\frac{1}{2}$ (on good days - winter)
1070	KFBI Wichita, Kansas	S- $5\frac{1}{8}$
1080	KRLD Dallas, Texas	S-1 (on good days - winter)
1090	KNWS Waterloo, Iowa	S- $1\frac{1}{2}$
1100	(no signal)	
1110	KFAB Omaha, Nebraska (local)	S-9 plus 30
1120	KMOX St. Louis, Missouri	S- $1\frac{1}{2}$
1130	(no signal)	
1140	KSOO Sioux Falls, South Dakota	S-7
1150	KSAL Salina, Kansas	S-7
1160	WJJD Chicago, Illinois	S- $\frac{1}{2}$ (on good days - winter)
1170	KVOO Tulsa, Oklahoma	S-2
1180	(harmonic from WOW-Omaha)	
1190	WOWO Fort Wayne, Indiana plus KLIF Dallas, Texas	S-1 (on good days - winter)
1200	WOAI San Antonio, Texas	S- $\frac{1}{2}$
1210	(no signal)	
1220	KJAN Atlantic, Iowa	S- $6\frac{1}{8}$
1230	KTNC Falls City, Nebraska	S- $\frac{4}{7}$ (plus KHAS)
1240	KFOR Lincoln, Nebraska	S-9 plus 5
1250	WREN Topeka, Kansas	S- $7\frac{1}{8}$
1260	KWHK Hutchinson, Kansas	S-2 (plus KWYR)
1270	KUSN St. Joseph, Missouri	S- $\frac{2}{7}$ (plus KIHO)
1280	KCNI Broken Bow, Nebraska	S-1 (plus KDKD)
1290	KOIL Omaha, Nebraska (local)	S-9 plus 23
1300	KGLO Mason City, Iowa	S- $\frac{1}{2}$ (on good days - winter)
1310	KOKX Keokuk, Iowa	S- $\frac{1}{2}$ (on good days - winter)
1320	KELO Sioux Falls, South Dakota	S- $7\frac{1}{8}$
1330	KFH Wichita, Kansas	S-4
1340	KHUB Fremont, Nebraska	S-9 plus 3
1350	KMAN Manhattan, Kansas	S- $\frac{3}{7}$ (plus KRNT)
1360	KSCJ Sioux City, Iowa	S-9 plus 3
1370	KAWL York, Nebraska	S-7
1380	KCIM Carroll, Iowa	S- $\frac{3}{7}$ (plus KUVR)
1390	KNCK Concordia, Kansas	S- $\frac{4}{6}$ (plus KCBC)
1400	KLIN Lincoln, Nebraska	S-9 plus 5
1410	KLEM LeMars, Iowa	S-6
1420	KOOO Omaha, Nebraska (local)	S-9 plus 24
1430	KRGI Grand Island, Nebraska	S-6
1440	KCHE Cherokee, Iowa	S- $\frac{3}{6}$ (plus KJAY)
1450	KWBE Beatrice, Nebraska	S-9
1460	KRNY Kearney, Nebraska	S-6 (plus KSO)
1470	KTRI Sioux City, Iowa	S- $8\frac{1}{8}$
1480	KLMS Lincoln, Nebraska	S-5
1490	KBON Omaha, Nebraska	S-9 plus 15
1500	KSTP St. Paul, Minnesota	S- $\frac{1}{2}$ (on good days - winter)
1510	KANS Kansas City, Missouri	S- $\frac{3}{4}$
1520	KSIB Creston, Iowa	S-7
1530	(no signal)	
1540	KXEL Waterloo, Iowa	S- $\frac{3}{4}$



1550	KRES	St. Joseph, Missouri	S-7 $\frac{1}{2}$
1560	KSWI	Council Bluffs, Iowa (local)	S-9 plus 15
1570	KNDY	Maryville, Kansas	S-5
1580	KNIM	Maryville, Missouri	S-7 (plus KDSN)
1590	KVGB	Great Bend, Kansas	S-4 $\frac{1}{5}$ (plus KPRS and KWBG)
1600	KRFS	Superior, Nebraska	S-4 $\frac{1}{2}$
		(now: KNCY Nebraska City, Nebraska)	S-9

LOCAL OMAHA AREA RADIO STATIONS

<u>CALL</u>	<u>FREQ.</u>	<u>DAY POWER</u>	<u>NIGHT POWER</u>
WOW all-night	590 kc/s. - off Sunday AM	5,000 w. (non-directional day and night)	5,000 w.
KOWH daytimer	660 kc/s.	500 w. (non-directional antenna)	-----
KFAB all-night	1110 kc/s. - off Sunday AM	50,000 w. (non-directional day, directional night, N-W-S)	50,000 w.
KOIL all-night	1290 kc/s. - never off	5,000 w. (non-directional day, directional night, N)	5,000 w.
K000 daytimer	1420 kc/s.	500 w. (directional, NW)	-----
KBON all-night	1490 kc/s. - never off	250 w. (non-directional day and night)	250 w.
KSWI daytimer	1560 kc/s.	500 w. (non-directional antenna)	-----



## CHURCH DIRECTORY

The following churches are located within easy reach of the Town House, 70th and Dodge. There are no events scheduled for Sunday morning, September 6th. Go to church Sunday!

### Adventist

Seventh-Day Adventist Church  
2660 St. Marys  
Service: Saturday, 9:30 am

### Baptist

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Benson Baptist  
6319 Maple  
Service: 10:55 am

### Catholic

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St. Margaret Marys  
64th and Dodge St.  
Masses: 7, 8, 9:30, 10:45 am, 12:15 pm

### Congregational

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Countryside Community Church  
8787 Pacific St.  
Services: 9:30 and 11:00 am

### Episcopal

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St. Andrew's Church  
84th and Pacific St.  
Services: 8:00 and 11:00 am

### Lutheran (Mo. Synod)

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Mount Calvary Lutheran Church  
56th and Leavenworth St.  
Services: 8:30 and 11:00 am

### Lutheran (Augustana)

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Bethel Lutheran Church  
45th and Poppleton  
Services: 11:00 am

### Methodist

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First Methodist Church  
69th and Cass St.  
Services: 11:00 am

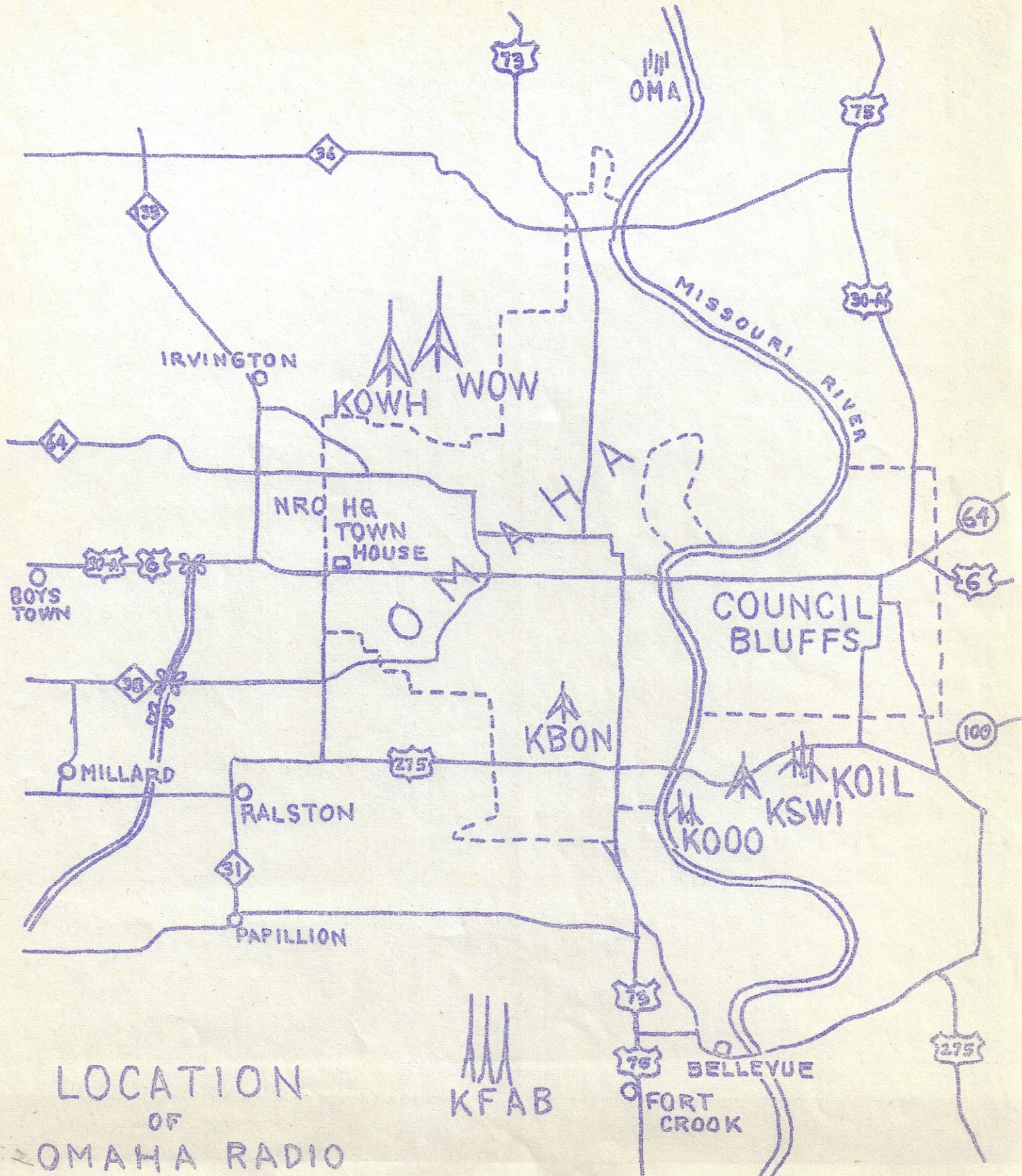
### Presbyterian

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Underwood Hills Presbyterian Church  
851 North 74th St.  
Services: 11:00 am

(Numbers refer to the location given on map on page 5)



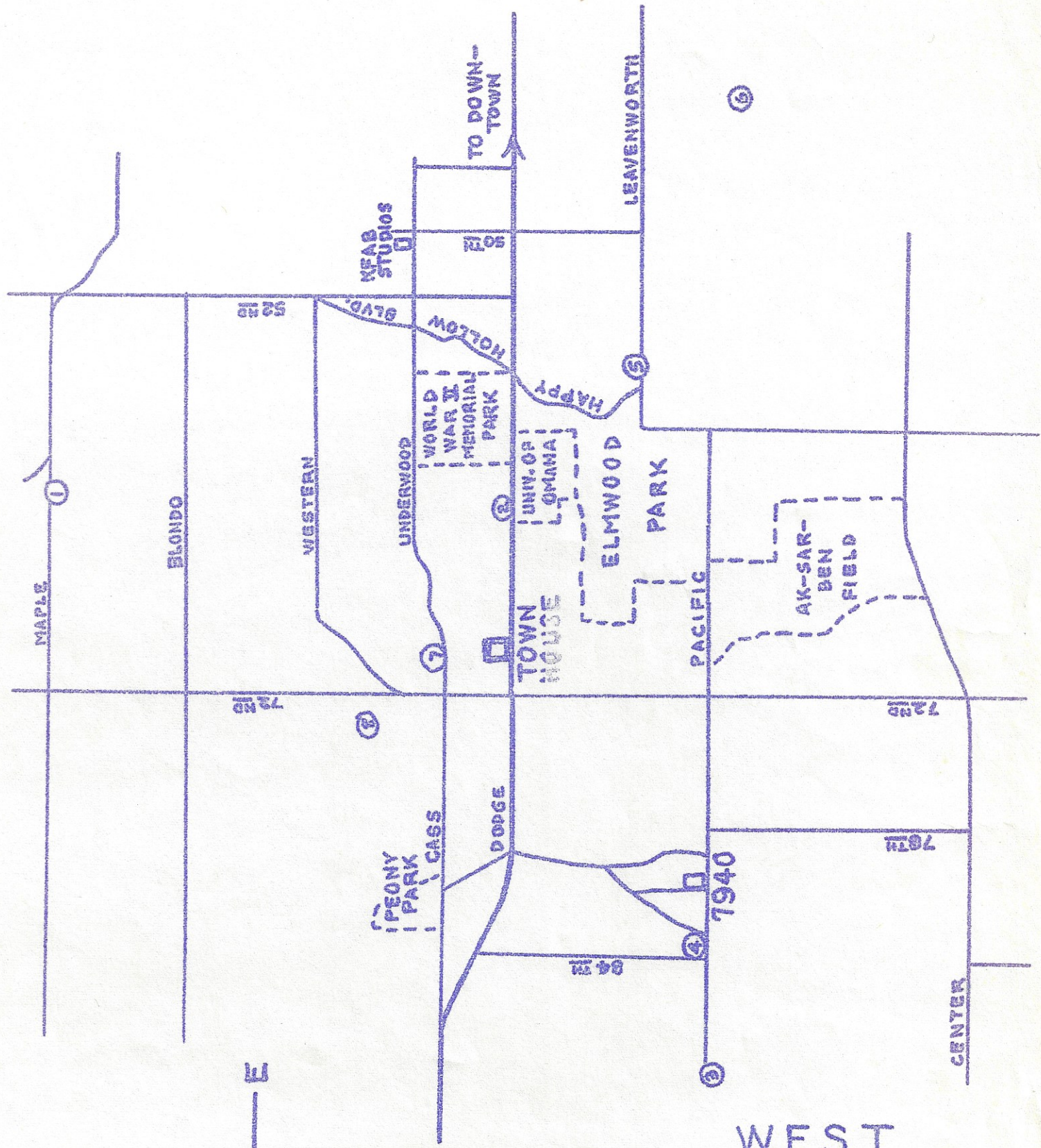
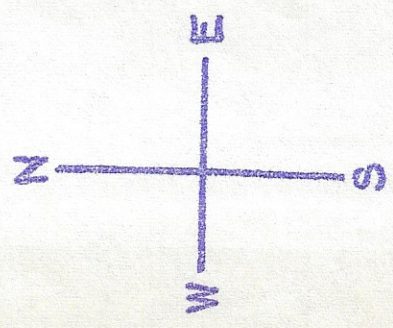


LOCATION  
OF

OMAHA RADIO  
STATIONS



# WEST OMAHA



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LEAVENWORTH

TO DOWN-TOWN

NEAB STUDIOS

89th

89th

BLVD.

HOLLOW

HAPPY

UNDERWOOD

WORLD WAR II  
MEMORIAL  
PARK

UNIV. OF  
LOUISIANA

ELMWOOD  
PARK

PACIFIC

AK-SAR-  
BEN  
FIELD

TOWN  
HOUSE

BLONDO

WESTERN

MAPLE

79th

79th

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7940

79th

PEONY  
PARK

CASS

DODGE

84th

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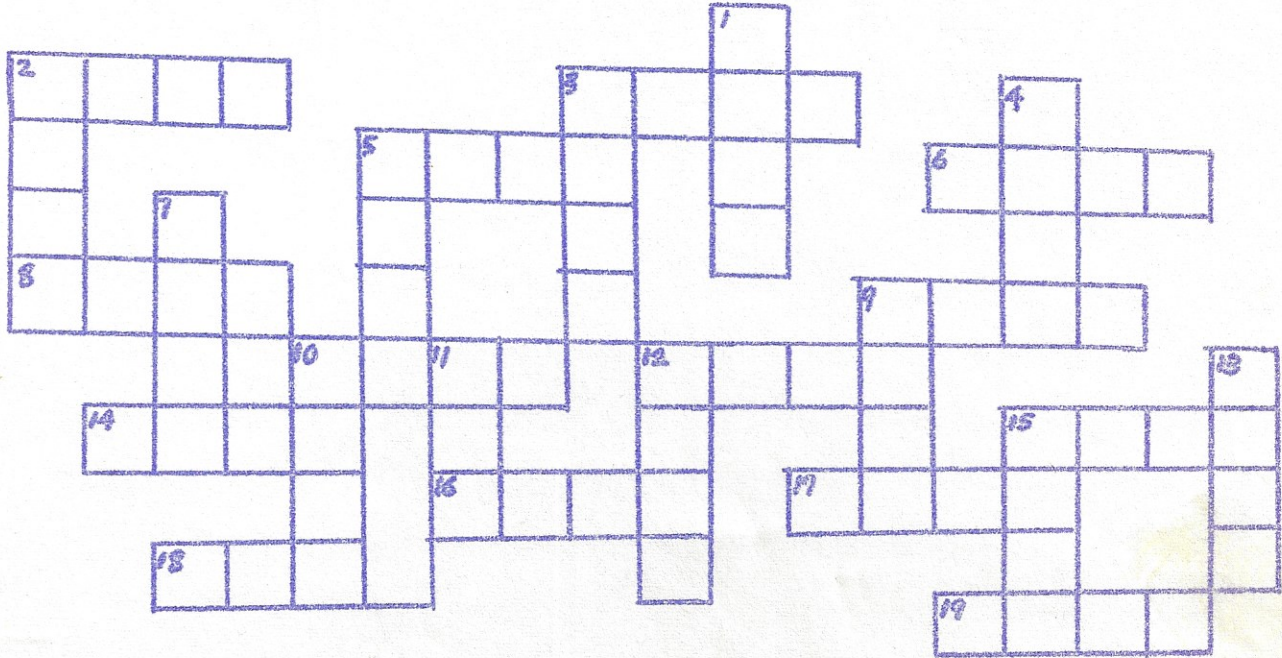
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CENTER



CORNHUSKER CRISS - CROSS

How well do you know your Nebraska call-letters?



ACROSS

- 2 Nebraska City
- 3 Lincoln
- 5 Kimball
- 6 Alliance
- 8 Beatrice
- 9 Lincoln
- 10 Omaha
- 12 Grand Island
- 14 Lincoln
- 15 Fremont
- 16 Norfolk
- 17 Falls City
- 18 North Platte
- 19 Kearney

DOWN

- 1 Scottsbluff
- 2 Columbus
- 3 O'Neill
- 4 Broken Bow
- 5 Omaha
- 7 McCook
- 9 North Platte
- 10 Sidney
- 11 Omaha
- 12 Ogallala
- 13 Omaha
- 15 Chadron

Fill in the call-letters of the radio stations that are located in the cities in the "across" and "down" columns. No call-letter is used twice.



**NRC**

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**OMAHA, NEBRASKA**

**W O W**

590 KCS. 5.000 WATTS

SPECIAL QSL

1959 NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CONVENTION

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This will confirm your reception report of April 9, 1959. Thanks

*W.J. Kotera*  
Dir. of Eng.

**OMAHA, NEBRASKA**

**K O W H**

660 KCS. 500 WATTS

SPECIAL QSL

1959 NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CONVENTION

SEPTEMBER 5-6-7

This will confirm your reception report of...8 April 1959.. Thanks

*Chuck Woodard, chief eng.*



**OMAHA, NEBRASKA**

**K F A B**

1110 KCS. 50,000 WATTS

SPECIAL QSL  
1959 NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CONVENTION  
SEPTEMBER 5-6-7

This will confirm your reception report of.....  
March 31, 1959 Thanks  
3:43 PM

**OMAHA, NEBRASKA**

**K O I L**

1290 KCS. 5,000 WATTS

SPECIAL QSL  
1959 NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CONVENTION  
SEPTEMBER 5-6-7

This will confirm your reception report of.....  
3-3-59 ..... Thanks



**OMAHA, NEBRASKA**

**K O O O**

1420 KCS

500 WATTS

SPECIAL QSL

1959 NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CONVENTION

SEPTEMBER 5-6-7

This will confirm your reception report of... *May 25, 1959* Thanks

**OMAHA, NEBRASKA**

**K B O N**

1490 KCS.

250 WATTS

SPECIAL QSL

1959 NATIONAL RADIO CLUB CONVENTION

SEPTEMBER 5-6-7

This will confirm your reception report of... *January 26, 1959* Thanks