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DX NEWS

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It gives us great pleasure to send you that frequency check list which we mentioned in last week's Bulletin. We are speaking, of course, of the revised list, which our good friend Dick Cooper, of Kittanning, Penna. has so kindly printed for us. We know that all of our members will appreciate Dick's efforts, and as we hinted last week, since Dick's hobby is collecting scenic post-cards, let's all send Dick a card of this type to show him our appreciation for what he has done for us. You can also put your comments on this card on the back of it, so let's all do our bit to show Dick that we really do appreciate his kindness in having gone to the trouble of printing these fine frequency check lists for us.

Incidentally a letter received from Dick today, tells us that we forgot to mention in one of our recent Bulletins, just where the Fourth Annual Get-Together of the club was going to be held. It will be held at club headquarters, 603 West Market Street, York, Penna., on Sunday afternoon, June 20th around 2:00 P.M. We hope that as many of you, as possibly can, will make arrangements to be here for this Gala Event. Each year the attendance has improved, and each year we feel the boys have had a grand time at this affair, and we'd like to break all existing records this year. So, let's all begin to plan now, to be here for the Get-Together on June 20th. Your Committee is already planning a good time for you, so, let's not disappoint them by a small attendance. This is your opportunity to meet many of your pen pals in person, and we are sure that you'll never regret having been here. Thus far we have received several letters from the boys, and it looks like we can expect a large turn-out.

Reception conditions during the past week have been very poor, it seems that old man static has already begun to put in his appearance, although we're hoping that he'll hold out long enough to allow us an opportunity at those April frequency checks which begin this week. We have had almost a week of fairly warm weather here at club headquarters, which of course would naturally tend to increase the amount of static, inasmuch as static is always more severe in warm weather.

From now on, until the close of the present season, our Courtesy Programs Committee will not do very much in the way of attempting to line up programs for the members of our club, since they have learned from experience that stations take a big gamble on reception conditions when they present DX programs after April 1st. However at this time we feel that it is only fitting and proper that we should congratulate each and every one of them on the fine job that they did for our club this season. We were delighted to see so many of the new CPCers turn in such a remarkable piece of work for us this year and it is our hope that we can retain the majority of them to serve our club in the same capacity again next year. We feel that this has been the most successful Committee that we've had as yet, inasmuch as they attempted to line up those stations whom they felt would make the most desirable catches. In the past we have found that our Committees have leaned too much to those stations that were easy to get on the air; stations who grabbed at every opportunity to present a program of this type, however, this year, our committee has worked along different lines and tried to line up stations that they felt would be welcome additions to the logs of most of our members. This was a step in the right direction.

J. B. Reilley, 810 N. Main St., Jamestown, N. Y., submits the following report on the Singleton & Eliminator Contest as of April 4, 1937.

Singletons:-

- Al Bartholomew (N.Y.) - KROY, KVOE, MECZ, Lille-Nord.
- Irwin Beitman (Ohio) - FRA8, LU2, Berlin.
- Walt Birch (Mass.) - CB138, LR9, FRH8, RL, Madona, Nice.
- Bob Botzum (Penna.) - FRA3, FRA6, W2IAL (790).
- Eddie Grant (Nova Scotia) - VOOM, KEI, NN, LN, SN, ILRO3, Portugese Nacional (629).
- Charles Hesterman (Sask.) - 2AY 2AL 2YB 2ZP 3DB 3GL 3MA 3UZ 4AY 4BU 4GR 4MK 4RO 4TO 7NT 7UV YLZ JCAG JOBG JOCG JODG JOFG JOKK JOLK JONK JOOK JOFK JORK JOSK JOUK Bucherest Monte Cerini Vienna.
- Ray Lewis (Ohio) - CMHD, KPQD, VOWR, EAJ41, LV1, HJLABA, JFAK, JOBK2.
- Bob Ludwig (Ohio) - CX16, TIGPH.
- Al Oppel (N.J.) - KEAL.
- E. L. Peters (Nova Scotia) - Lwow, EAJ8.
- Bob Rawstron (Mass.) - KZRM, 2XN, 3BO, 5KA, VE9LP.
- Pat Reilley (N. Y.) - KRMC, KTOK.
- Julian Schaefer (Ohio) - CMJF.

Eliminators:-

- Reilley - Birch's FRF3.
- Stone - Reilley's WAIR.

Possible Singletons:-

CFFA	TIEP	CMCK	CMKO	KEBX	KELA	XEXH	KHUB	KTKC	KZIB	WLIU
CJCU	TIEA	CMHB	CMKX	KEBZ	KELZ	ZEXM	KINY	KTMS	JBHP	WNNY
CKMG	TIGA	CMHM	KEAD	KEC	KEMG	KEKS	KOAM	KUTA	WBLK	WNRI
CRCY	TIGH	CMHW	KEAG	KECW	KEMI	XEYO	KOKO	KVCV	WDSD	WOLS
HIJ	TIVCA	CMJE	KEAI	KEDA	XENC	KAND	KPTA	KVEC	WEAU	WPRA
HIZ	TIX	CMJI	KEAM	KEDW	KEOK	KATE	KRIS	KVOX	WGAN	WRNL
HF50	VOAC	CMJL	KEAT	KEF	KEX	KAWM	KROD	KVSC	WGVA	WRTD
HRN	YNLF	CMJO	KEAZ	KEFC	KEXB	KDNC	KSJS	KVNO	WICA	WSAY
JFBK	YNOP	CMJX	KEBJ	KEJP	KEKC	KELO	KSRO	KYCA	WJBR	WSNJ
JOVK	YNVA	CMKF	KEBI	KEKL	KEKD	KGSA	KSUB	KZEG	WJOY	W3XJ
	CMAB	CMKG	KEBL							

HIGH FREQUENCY HEADLINES

Reception during the last week has, in general, not been particularly good. The ordinary run of stations were heard, but nothing unusual showed up. Morning reception on all bands was definitely below normal. The best DX was found during the afternoon and evening on the 20-meter Amateur band.

"North African Station FT4AG", located in Tunis, North Africa, was a fine 20-meter phone catch made on Saturday afternoon at 5 P.M. This station operates near 14300 kc., had an R 7 signal, and successfully contacted quite a few stations in the Eastern U. S. He also played a number of phonograph records.

It is suggested that you watch for South African amateurs around 4 P.M., E.S.T., on 20-meters. The CW stations have been pushing through with R 6 signals, particularly ZSLAL, and it is altogether possible that phone stations will also be heard.

From Mr. John J. Oskay of New Brunswick, N.J. comes the following report on the contest:

EAQ#2, Madrid, Spain, is heard nearly every night about 8-9 P.M., with a strong signal on 9480 kc., 31.65 meters.

JVN, 10660 kc., comes in fine about 6:30 A.M.

JVT, 6750 kc., broadcasts from 4 to 8 A.M.

JVE, 15660 kc., is heard nights around 9-10 P.M.

JZI, 9535 kc., Monday and Thursday from 4 to 5 P.M. (Latest schedule for JZI is 9 to 10 A.M., and 2:30 to 3:30 P.M., daily).

DZC, 10290 kc., was heard approximately 4 to 6 P.M.

UGT, 9560 kc., is heard around 7 A.M. and 4 P.M.

IUG, 15450 kc., still heard on their 9 A.M. sked.

KKH, 7520 kc., was heard at 12:30 A.M., Tuesday morning.

HIG, 6280 kc., is heard on again at 7:30 P.M.

HI2D, 6900 kc., is also back on again around 8 P.M.

Mr. Oskay adds that practically all of the stations in South America and the West Indies were silent on March 25th and 26th, perhaps because of Holy Week. Thanks very much for all the information, Mr. Oskay.

The schedule of English broadcasts from Radio Centre, Moscow, follows: (Time--E.S.T.)

RNE----12000 kc.

Sunday and Wednesday, 6 to 7 A.M.

Sunday---10 to 11 A.M.

RAN----9600 kc.

Daily----7 to 9:15 P.M.

RV59----6000 kc.

Sun., Mon., Wed., Fri.,----4 to 5 P.M.

The North-America program schedule of the German Short-Wave Stations for April is as follows:

Daily, 8 to 9 A.M., Musical Entertainment; DJL, 15110 kc.

Daily, 4:50 to 10:45 P.M., Regular North-America Program; DJB 15200 kc
DJD 11770 "

Sunday only, 11:10 A.M. to 12:25 P.M.; DJB, 15200 kc.

The back of the German Program-Sheet now bears a "Little German Reader" and German-English vocabularies. The little German stories are very interesting, and anyone with the slightest knowledge of German can readily read them.

HAT4, 9125 kc., Budapest, Hungary, has extended their broadcasting schedule. HAT4 now transmits programs to American listeners on Wednesday and Saturday evenings at 7 P.M., E.S.T., and on Sunday evenings at 6 P.M., according to an announcement by the station.

Has anyone succeeded in identifying the Spanish station on approximately 7300 kc.? This Communist station, located somewhere in Spain, transmits daily from 7 to 8 P.M., E.S.T.; signal is always very strong. Program consists of war news, interspersed with phonograph records. Transmissions close by playing the "Internationale"; the slogan "Viva de Republica Espanola" is frequently heard.

The "Communistische" Party's station in Madrid, on 10070 kc., has at last been taken by the enemy, and with no violence. Beginning about a week ago, his signals have been completely blotted out by a powerful code station which pops on him as soon as he begins his daily 4 to 5 P.M. transmission. The Fascists are thus very effectively

High-Frequency Headlines (Continued)

preventing the bitter denunciations of them by the Communists from reaching a world-wide radio audience. The moment I heard it, memories of a similar affair came to my mind. It was no so long ago, just a year, that the Conquering Lion of Judah was waging a losing battle against Mussolini's Fascist Armies. At that time ETB in vain attempted to tell its story to a sympathetic English and American audience on its Sunday afternoon, 4:30 P.M. broadcasts. But the enemy shot out their code artillery, and completely conquered ETB. Still, ETB will always live in the memories of DXers everywhere as the true Voice of Ethiopia, the Empire of the Conquering Lion, no matter what Abyssinian stations have replaced him, or will come in the future. But it's all a part of this game called WAR.

RIM, Tashkent, Turkestan, U.S.S.R., operating on 15252 kc., has succeeded in putting in an R 6 signal frequently during the past week. RIM phones RKI daily around 7 A.M.

KKQ is heard frequently relaying programs across the Pacific around 10 P.M. Frequency is 11950 kc.

Your comments and reports are requested. Please address me at: R.F.D. #2, Walnutport, Penna.

Best 73,
Kermit Geary

RADIO GOSSIP

By Al Oppel

WOR, Newark, New Jersey, is offering to prospective advertisers the opportunity to sponsor programs between two and four A. M. The present sign-off time of WOR is 2 A.M...The State of Georgia aspires to own and operate WGST. A radio commission, set up within the state, then aims to increase the power of the station to 500,000 watts and to advertise Georgia to the world!...As an aftermath of the recent Cuban radio conference, in which Mexico, Canada, Cuba and the U.S. participated, rumor has it that the United States will "trade" with Mexico certain wavelengths in exchange for stricter regulation by that country of existing interference from border-line and other Mexican stations. That will mean, of course, a reallocation of so called "clear channels", which after all are only theoretically clear...Arde Bulova, the watch man, is rumored to be organizing a new regional network. At present Bulova owns, or controls WNEW, Newark, N. J.; WNBC, New Britain and WELI, New Haven, Conn; WRAX-WPEN, Philadelphia; WOV, New York; WCOP, Boston and WTFI, Athen, Georgia...The "Foud" between Jack Benny and Fred Allen has caused sale of "The Bee" to spurt to 8500 copies weekly. New editions of "The Bee" show pictures of the two comics on the front page...WHN, New York, will broadcast the International League games of the Jersey City Baseball Club this Summer and WNEW, New York that of the Newark team...Looks as if Lufkin, Tex., will receive a new station soon...WCBF's transmitter at Zion, Ill., has been destroyed by fire at an estimated loss of \$150,000. An incendiary was blamed.

DX CHATTER

By Al Oppel

DO YOU KNOW...that KGLO, 1210 kcs., Mason City, Ia., will DX April 13, from 3:30 to 4:30 A.M...KVOE, 1500 kcs., Santa Ana, Calif., is on the first Thursday of each month, from 3:15-3:30 A.M...according to newspaper reports, WPHR will not change call letters to WRNL until sometime this Summer. At that time the station is slated to move from Petersburg to Richmond, Va...KSJS, 1500 kcs., Salina, Kans., is authorized to increase day power from 100 to 250 watts...WBBZ, 1200 kcs., Ponca City, Okla., increases day power to 250 watts...we remind you KOAM, 790 kcs.,

DK Chatter (Continued)

Pittsburg, Kans., is scheduled to start testing any day now. The same of KSJC, Salina...we understand, according to newspaper reports, WSPD, 1340 kcs., Toledo, O., will change call letters to WAAJ...WAPI, 1140 kcs., Birmingham, Ala., goes CBS August 15th, and with 50,000 watts... WNBK, 1500 kcs., Binghamton, N. Y., granted permission to increase day power from 100 to 250 watts...Examiner Seward recommended grant of construction permit to erect new station at Wilson, N. C. to be owned and operated by H. W. Wilson & Ben Farmer on 1310 kcs., using 100 watts daytime...Examiner Seward also recommended that WELI, New Haven, Conn. application to change frequency from 900 to 930 kcs., be granted conditionally...

NATIONAL POST OBSERVER REPORTS

A. W. OPFEL, Irvington, N. J. - Philco 116X. Reception Sunday, April 4 very, very poor. Static was all over the dial between 3 and 3:30 A.M.

JOHN J. OSKAY, New Brunswick, N. J. - Hallicrafters/Sky-Chief. S.W. Report. 5,700 to 7,400 kc. Time: Between 7 to 9 P.M. WX: Pt. Cloudy/Tem. 45/Hum: 40/Bar. 30.14 rising QAN-X---YV5RC R6, TIGPH R4, YV1RB R6, HILJ R6, YV3RA R5, TILS R5, HH26 R6, YV1RN R6, NEBT R5, CFCX R5, COCO R7, HJ1ABJ R6, HP5B R4, HJ4ABP R5, HJ1ABG R7, W8XAL R7, CFRX R8, W9XAA R6, HJ5ABD R3, CRCK R8, W3XAL R9, HJ4ABB R4, HJ3ABX R7, COCD R6, VE9HX R8, HJ4ABU R3, CJRO R5, YV5RD R6, YV1RI, R7, HRD R5, HIN R8, HIG R7, YV4RD R6, HIZ R6, HRP1 R3, YV1RH R7, YV4RF R5, YV5RH R6, TIPG R4, HILS R5, YV4RB R7, YV6RB R6, HI4D R5, HIT R8, TIEP R7, HI3C R6, HIH R5, KECR R7.

DICK COOPER, Kittanning, Penna. - Inquires whether or not WJBO gave us the dedication which they promised us this past Sunday morning. Unfortunately reception conditions were so poor here at club headquarters that we couldn't hear WJBO either Dick. He also submits some changes in the frequency check list which he just finished printing for us. Call letter change of KGFG to KTOK. Addition of KVCV, 1200 kcs., Redding, Calif. on second Tuesday from 5:40 to 6:00 A.M. Apparent change of KMED 1410 kcs., on Saturday 6:10 to 6:30 to 1310 kcs., and checking sked to second Tuesday from 5:00 to 5:20 A.M. Take note of these latest changes and we're sure that your list will be up to date. Dick also sends us the schedule of WSAJ, 1310 kcs., Grove City, Penna. on Sundays from 4:30 to 5:30 P.M. and two days each week from 7:15 to 8:45 P.M.

BILL STONE, Toronto, Ont. - CMCJ 1:30 to 2 R6-7; WCAK 2 to 2:30 R7, WGAR all night from 2 A.M. on. R8. KPSD 2:30-3 R6-7. KNX, KGO and KPO all heard well, but no sign of KEI. All these stations already mentioned heard on 3/29. 3/30 - WTCN 1:30-2 R5-6; WCSC 2-2:30 R9, CKX 2-2:09 R7-8, CKX coming in here louder than KSL, using 1000 watts. CMCJ 2:15-2:30 R6-8, KGIW 2:30-sign off 2:37 R6-7. KPFL 2:45-3:10 R7-9, KOCA 3:15-3:30 R8-9. KOCA on frequency check, other than the regular one. KVI 3:30-4 R6-8, 4/1 - WJAR 2-2:30 R9, WIRE 2-3:30 R9. Some station on 1300 kcs., making a mess out of WEVD until 3 A.M. 4/2 - no DXing, static and QAN impossible to pull in anything. 4/3 - WREC 2-2:15 R9, WAIR coming on the air at 2:15 for a test. CMCJ 2-2:30 R6-7, WNRB 3-3:15 R9. Station again on 1300 kcs., giving WEVD a bad battle. CMCJ is on the air every week day, on a "Come to Cuba for your Holiday Program." Bill also gleams some information from recent verifications received. KET, 690 kcs., Monterrey, N. L. Mexico has 5000 watts power, not 500 watts as listed, are on the air every night from 9:30 to 11:30 P.M., this is not certain though as to whether they mean E.S.T. or C.S.T. KGCK, 1450 kcs., Wolf Point, Mont. will DK April 18, although no time indicated. KRNR, Roseburg, Ore. use 250 watts during the course of their FCC tests each month. KGHI, Little Rock, Ark. also do likewise. KOL, Seattle, Wash. 1270 kcs., have a power of 5000 watts not 1000 as listed.

LLOYD REES, Ridgewood, N. J. - Advises that WLEU, Erie, Penna. and KANS, Wichita, Kansas have recently joined the NEC. Two Richmond stations, WPMO on the Blue network and WJG on the Red, will replace WBYA in

		FRIDAY, APRIL 9.				SATURDAY, APRIL 10.	
WIL	1200 St. Louis	5:50-5:50	NRC				
CMKW	1330 Santiago	1-2	KEEN 1370 Seattle	NRC	4:30-5:30		
WCLS	1310 Joliet	NRC 3:10-3:30	KFXD 1200 Nampa	NRC	5:30-5:50		
SUNDAY, APRIL 11.							
XEFW	1310 Tampico	2-3 AMR	KEP 1160 Juarez		3-5		
TUESDAY, APRIL 12.							
KGIW	1420 Alamosa	on at 2					
THURSDAY, APRIL 15.							
KGIW	1420 Alamosa	on at 2	OMHJ 1160 Cienfuegos		5-6		
CJOR	600 Vancouver	3-4	KGFV 1310 Kearney		6-6:30		
FRIDAY, APRIL 16.							
WFOY	1210 St. Augustine	1-3					
SATURDAY, APRIL 17.							
CMKW	1330 Santiago	1-2	WIL 1200 St. Louis		3-4	NRC	
KGIW	1420 Alamosa	on at 2	WGAL 1500 Lancaster		5:45-6		
SUNDAY, APRIL 18.							
KGB	1330 San Diego	3-4	NRC				

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Lloyd Rees - the near future.

PAT REILLEY, Jamestown, N. Y. - Philco 16. - March 29. 24 above and very heavy noise. KWEC modulation test at 4:04. CMCB at 3:40. KWJJ at 4:20 a good R7. W3XL on 6425 kc. testing at 2:30 on. March 30 - 22 above clear and bad buzzing. XET at 2:28; KOCA at 3:10; WSGN at 4:33; WRBL at 4:40 and WLAP at 5:02. March 31 30 above clear and very bad fading all morning. The east stations were hardly audible but the west was strong but faded bad. KGLO at 4:12; WAAB and WNEW weren't any stronger than a 10 watter. April 1st - 29 above bad buzzing. KUSD at 3:43; WPCM at 4:05; and somebody on 890 bothering KUSD at 3:50. April 2. 42 above raining. WFOY at 2:50. KGER at 2:55. WRBL at 3:03. KUSD at 3:15; KIUN at 3:20; XERA has been off the air the past several mornings. April 3. clear but reception very poor. WVAL off at 2:45. WFBC at 2:46 to 3:01. WNER at 3:05 and too noisy after that time. April 4 - 35 above. rained very hard. Very noisy and terrible buzzing. KEP at 3:20. CM CJ at 3:25. CMCD was very weak and too noisy to DX.

ARTHUR H. BRACKBILL, Lancaster, Penna. - Inquires whether or not WATL have changed call letters? He says he heard a station on 1370 kcs., last Wednesday morning announcing as WHL Atlanta. Art reports that he had a wonderful visit with Joe Becker and saw WLW studios, Factory and transmitter. Art reports that he has received his crystal plaque from KFUD that they were advertising on their DX for 10%. He says it is very beautiful and suggests that those of you who want a worthwhile radio memento should be sure and send for one of them.

WALTER C. SNYDER, Grand Rapids, Mich. - Atwater-Kent 145. Submits his NPO report for April 3. Conditions were not very good. Low noise level, but very weak signals. WNER was on at 3:05 A.M. with a test program coming in R8. WNAD at 3:40 a good R7. KASA on special frequency check at 3:44 R7. KUSD DX program at 4:25 an R6. WTNJ on at 4:28 with an R6 signal. WWJ at 4:35 testing R9.

John C. Kalmbach, Jr. our Publicity Director writes that he and Mr. Brode have decided to continue the extensive publicity program that they had mapped out for our club. It is our hope that the members will cooperate with these two gentlemen where-ever they possibly can.

Just a reminder, don't forget to send that card to Dick Cooper in appreciation of his fine work for our club on those FCC lists!!!!!!