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N R C A "M U S T"

"All my 762 veries can be ccredited to membership in the NRC. It is surely a great help to each and every DXer and is a "must" at this den.

- Relfe Luton - Route # 1 - Elizabeth City, North Carolina

N R C D X C A L E N D A R

DATE	CALLS	KC/S	LOCATION	WATTS	A.M. E.S.T.	STATION TIME
Mar. 29	W T W N	1340	St. Johnsbury, Vermont	250	4:30 - 5:00	4:30-5:00 EST
30	W M T S	860	Marfreesboro, Tennessee	250	5:00 - 6:00	5:00-6:00 EST
Apr. 4	W B G E	1340	Atlanta, Georgia	250	3:00 - 4:00	3:00-4:00 EST
17	C H W K	1270	Chilliwack, British Col.	1,000	3:00 - 4:00	12:01-1:00 PST
May 22	C H W K	1270	Chilliwack, British Col.	1,000	3:00 - 4:00	12:01-1:00 PST
Jun. 19	C H W K	1270	Chilliwack, British Col.	1,000	3:00 - 4:00	12:01-1:00 PST

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Mar. 24	W I N G	1410	Dayton, Ohio	4,000	3:15 - 3:45	3:15-3:45 EST
25	W R A W	1340	Reading, Pennsylvania	250	4:45 - 5:15	4:45-5:15 EST
26	W D A D	1450	Indiana, Pennsylvania	250	3:45 - 4:15	3:45-4:15 EST
29	C K B W	1000	Bridgewater, Nova Scotia	1,000	3:00 - 3:30	4:00-4:30 AST
Apr. 1	W T S A	1450	Brattleboro, Vermont	250	4:15 - 4:45	4:15-4:45 EST
19	W M S A	1340	Massena, New York	250	3:15 - 3:45	3:15-3:45 EST

TWO MORE BIG N.R.C. SPECIALS

W T W N - St. Johnsbury, Vermont. James MacDonald, Acting Chief Engineer
Mr. Guy Austin, Chief Engineer, notified us that the reason for WTWN's failure to show up last time was due to transmitter failure, and that they just did get on the air in time to make their frequency check at 5:30 a.m. This time, we envision no further trouble, and also look forward to a clear channel for WTWN. Send your reports to Mr. MacDonald this time, for Mr. Austin is right now busy with the installation of the new WNIX in Springfield on 1480 kc/s. Our thanks to Mr. Austin and to Mr. MacDonald, and we hope all get WTWN successfully. Arranged: **LEN KRUSE**

W M T S - Marfreesboro, Tennessee. Eugene Covington, Chief Engineer
This station broadcast a DX for us on March 6 at the same time as above, but unfortunately, notification was received too late for us to notify you about it. We have since explained this to Mr. Covington, and he has consented to run another special test for our club. A Tuesday morning, and after 5 a.m., which means that both all-night KONO and 5 a.m. s/off KIKI will be out of the picture, leaving a clear channel for WMTS. Mr. Covington is very much eager to receive your reception reports, and so let us bombard him with reports a-plenty. Arranged: **MIKE FERGUSON.**

APRIL ISSUES

Will be issued under date of April 3 and April 17. Deadlines in Brooklyn will be the Wednesdays preceeding; March 31 and April 14. In Buffalo it's the Thursdays preceeding issue date; West Coast the Tuesday preceeding, and Foreign, also Tuesday.

V E R I E S I G N E R S

580	K A B I	Richard Nicholas, CE	B	1260	W E K Z	Earl N. Eyster, CE, W9HAC	L
630	K T I B	Art Bachmann, M	J		W N D R	John L. Rathbun, CE	C
690	K G G F	Richard Embody, CE	C	1280	K D E F	D. J. White, CE	C
730	W P I T	Michael Komichak, CE	F		W P I D	J. A. Livingston, CE	F
790	Trinidad	Bryan C. Fergus, PD	F	1300	K Y N O	L. E. Chensult, GM	H
800	1 Y Z -	L. Sonoran, ASM	C	1320	W K I N	Philip Bahakel, P	C
820	W A I T	W# E.W. Jacker, CE	C	1340	K P R K	P. B. Madam, P, GM	C
836	Nancy	M. Villatte, Dir Reg	C		K O L E	Ray Hughes, CE	C
860	W H T S	Eugene Covington, CE	D		W L A V	Lee G. Stevens, VP Eng'g	G
890	W E N R	W. H. Cummings, ACE	H		W L B C	D. A. Burton, P	H
940	K L Y N	Eugene Fenimore, CE	H	1350	W C B A	Charles Charnesky, CE	E
	C J I B	Loren O. Merriman, E	I	1360	W H J C	Fred Morningstar, P	G
950	W B B F	V. A. Lopopolo, CE	C		K V R S	David K. Wood, CE	B
960	K A L E	Joseph Muench, CE, PD	J		W K Q A T	Arthur P. Smith, Jr., CE	B
	K F V S	Ralph L. Hirseh	K	1370	K A S T	Bruce Whitwell, CE	E
990	W N Q O X	Ray C. Evans, CE	K		2 LqT -	S. Emerton, M	E
1010	W C S I	Philip R. Hurlbut	H		W G R Y	George M. Whilmer, P	F
1050	K W S O	E. E. Robertson, CE	C	1380	W A Y Z	Fred E. Brabrandt, CE	F
	K V L C	Dale H. Mahurin, CE	C		K C I M	Eugene H. Raiff, AstM, CEA	
1150	K S A L	Don Engelhardt, CE	G	1390	K G E R	L. H. Crumbaugh, TSu	K
1220	C K C W	Arnold Brwster, CE	C	1420	W C O J	Louis N. Seltzer, Ptar	F
	W P R Y	Roy E. Payton, M	I	1470	W T T R	Charles T. Buffington	C
1230	W H O L	G. B. Werst, CE	J	1490	W K N Y	Carl C. Egolf, CE	G
1240	K L U K	C. W. Brokaw, CE	H	1510	K G T X	William V. Queen, CE	H
1250	K A A A	Robert Cooper, E	K	1560	W T N S	Elmer C. Maravecky, CE	G
1260	W D O K	C. E. Ormston, XSu	G	1570	C F O R	Gordon E. Smith, O, M	G

C R E D I T S

A - Hal Williams	D - Mike Ferguson	G - Ralph Johans	J - Pat Reilly
B - Jim Critchett	E - Relfe Luton	H - Croton DX Club	K - Craig Elyson
C - Pete Taylor	B - Joe Enz	I - Joe Brauner	L - Lefty Cooper

Musings of the Members

Marvin E. Robbins - Camp Gordon, Georgia

2/15 logged KSEL-950 DX and WBIR-1240 with f/c. Where was KEGT? Were they on? Also nothing from KPIG, but their channel was too crowded. On 2/17 the evening got WLAQ-1410 RS, WPNX-1460 (apparently WGBA is now WPNX just across the river!) and WKSJ-1420 RS. Another surprising catch for me here was WVKO on 1580 just before s/off. WFUR-1570 was logged on RS just before s/off with one Missouri, two Illinois, two Indiana, three Ohio and one Kentucky station still on their frequency. My log shows no DA for them. Guess they just have a good signal. Also logged the same day (2/27) were WNCA and WFGN-1570 plus WERL, same frequency. Next evening got a few breathers such as WSGN-610, WKY-1530, WLAC-1510. WKY and WLAC are very powerful here during the evening. On 3/1 logged WQAM-560, Miami, RS, KFGQ-1260 f/c and heard another home towner WFRM leaving the air at 1:00 with a nice signal. Didn't get enough for a report. The rest of the AM I got WEKY-1340 f/c, WKDA-1240 s/off RS, KCTE-1510 f/c with surprising signals, KCKY-1150 f/c, CKRD-850 on DX. Went almost 40 minutes without an ID. Also got WEKZ-126-DX. Had very nice signals down here, in Georgia. Tonight am getting a couple of new ones - WSUN WVEZ and WSJS. Have received QSLs from the following since the first of the year: WILL WLAP KFUP WIND XBG WCSI WBAA WGN WERC WKZO WKBZ CBL WGY CJBG KFI XELO KOA WJR WEW WBEM WMIX WGRG WCTT CKAC KWBU WOB WFRD WLS WOSU KCMO WILQ WNBC WDAF WYB CBW WVA WCNT KXEL KRKS KSTP WBEF WCBS W.L. WBBS WQWO WEEI WTRJ WVLN Paris I WGAR WQON KNIM CFOR WPAR WLNA WHIS WJCG WOW WMT WDAN WENK WQXR KSWI CHBC WITY WIBC WAPI WSAV WVOK WPTF WCEH WBBQ WGVV WQXI WJAT WIS WHNC WILD WDDO WKLO KTHS WMAZ KBOA WGST WERX KLOU WNOX WNEW WMEC WCAU WOAI WSPT WEDG KEAB WFCO WBNS WIRE CBOC WNOE WHO KDKA WBBQ WTEC WFBC WGSW WBGE WCRS WSFA KLBA WSB WVPO KOSE WAMI WOV WDSU WWSW and KFWB. Have about 95 still to be heard from. Some are DXes, too. Has anyone received his WAAB yet? I have a few questions - How can I get WGBD, Zion, ILL.? Do they have a f/c? I have WAIT "The Voice of the Midwest" logged, but no verie. I recall they are always pretty slow in QSLing. Does anyone know the f/c asked for any of these - KXLW-1590, WISH-1310 KOWH-660 KBON-1460 KOIL-1290 WNAH-1360 WSOK-1470 WLAQ-1440 WATZ-1450 WMBN-1340, KLOQ-1590 WLEP-1570 WJEF-1230? Boy, was last night a rough one. It is really rough on a guy to go four straight hours awake, hi.

Missings of the MembersHal Williams - 50 Third Avenue - Seymour, Connecticut

It's Friday afternoon and as I will be in New Jersey Saturday for NNRC meeting, then back to work Sunday at 10 p.m. I will not be able to do any DXing until Thursday AM 3/18. My DX loggings - 3/8 - KCNI (1280) Broken Bow, Neb. in strong and clear on NNRC DX but not needed. This should count as an NRC special as they gave us as many plugs as the NNRC. The scheduled DX programs on 1340 kc/s. from KWIM and WHED were not heard. I tuned 1340 at 3:55 and found WEMP testing, TT, music. I hung on hoping to catch KWIM but WEMP still going strong at 4:20, then some tester under WEMP. This tester was positively identified at 4:24, 4:27 and 4:30 as KRUX, Glendale, Ariz. so I don't believe KWIM was on at all and WHED did not show here at all. WEMP was still being heard at 4:40. At 4:45 some kind of a weak announcement but too poor to copy. After five years' trying, I finally got a reportable log on WHAZ (1330), Troy, N.Y. 8:30-9:30 p.m., QRM'd by the pest CMCB. Hope I get a verie as I was at work when they DX'd for us 12/1. On 3/9, a real surprise, WVSC (990) Somerset, Pa. news and s/off 6:07-6:15 p.m. Of course, WJGR was silent. My 107th Pennsylvania station. Now for the DX mail bag. 3/8 - A 9 x 3 1/2 QSL card from KIUL (1240 for NRC DX 11/30. This was such a poor tentative report I did not even enter it in my log but it's there now, hi! 3/9 - QSL card WCIN (1480) and a specially printed QSL card for NNRC DX from WFAV (1150). Also nice letter from Ev Johnson and European Radio Program schedule from Roy Patrick in England - thanks, Roy! 3/10 - Form letter WCSI (1010) for NRC DX and a real nice letter from KCIM (1380) - 32 reports to Iowa all verified! 3/11 - KTIB (630) letter for NRC DX and not in the mail bag was an Express package with my new Hammarlund HQ-140-X and speaker. I haven't had a chance to give it a real workout yet. So as soon as I get going with it I'll report results via "DX News." Too late in the season to break the contest wide open but watch out next season, hi! So until March 27th "DX News," good DXing and 73s.

Pete Taylor - Box 5068 Duke Station - Durham, North Carolina

I have done no DXing since my all night conquest of the continents on Feb. 1. A few prized veries have come in from that, including Lisbon II - 666 kc/s. and Nancy, France on 836. I am still awaiting a verie from SWL in Wollongong. Recent veries aside from the two mentioned above have been WAIT WTRR WQAT KPRK WKIN KDEF GKOW KWSO 1YZ KCNO KOLB KVLC and KLIR. I am looking forward to something new on 540 besides XEWA and CBK. KQMB is supposed to move there within the next couple of months. Their DA probably won't send too much this way, though. The campus radio station, WDBS, recently had elections, and three of the top four positions are held by members of the sophomore class. I was truly amazed to discover my appointment as chief announcer, as I have only been on the station for a little less than a year. Now if I can only stay in school! Thanks to Carroll Seth for a very interesting letter, which I will try to answer before spring vacation, March 27 (along with all my Christmas thank-you letters!) Fraternity pledging has started recently; it's nice to have the trophies shiny again. Any members of Beta Theta Pi in the reading audience? Duke is one of a few Beta Theta Pi chapters in which members live in a fraternity section; as the university allows no fraternity houses. Spring vacation won't, I imagine, advance DXing too much. Cuban veries are nice, but water skiing, swimming, etc. are much more profitable to the mind during the one week we do get off. 83s

Sid Rosenbaum - 806 Market Street - Wheeling, West Virginia

March 8 was a busy morning here but only new report was to KJAM (1340) on f/c with music, 4:45-4:56. Others heard were KTKR (1310) f/c with music 3:30-3:45. KCNI (1280) with DX for NRC-NNRC. WROK (1260) testing power supply at 4:30. KWIM and WHED both scheduled to DX failed to come on. On Mar. 5 heard XEBU (990) ? on with TT and English identifications, 1:50-2:00. Veries in were WEKZ and WONW. I'm going out on a limb and predict that Lefty's secret will turn out to be a chip off the old block and if this is correct his "it" at the Convention will have company. Yes sir! Rosenbaum will bring along his secret and it will speak for itself (hi). Best of luck to all the gang.

Bob Duggan - Box 13 - Georgia Tech - Atlanta, Georgia

DX is still curtailed here, due to much work at the Experiment Station, along with graduate study. Having built an FM tuner, I enjoy local FM. WATL (1380) bit the dust. Another station found good music just doesn't pay financially. I'll be in New York March 22-30 for business and the IRE Convention. Perhaps I can call you up if I can get a few spare moments while in the N.Y.C. area. 73.

Ron B. Schiller - 30 Park Avenue - Avenel, New Jersey

Veries in from: WRCO WABL WIND WGRB WMO KREW KLOU WROV WTAO WGFJ WNRJ (21) KNCE CKVL WTIK (airmail) WCLW WOTH and WMT by letter; KPEL WREL WROS WHNL CHNS CJOB WEAU and KNBC sent cards, to make my total 501. I'm DXing about as much as Lefty lately. 1/31, WEAU/WETB WQXI (790) all s/on at 7 (Sunday) with the first mentioned loud and dominant. 2/3, WRIC (1050) r/c; WPDQ third report and still no answer from this post. A card from Ev. Johnson identifying KNIM (1590) as my mystery s/off at 5:41 p.m. Many thanks! 2/5, WGRB (1450) s/on 5:45; WEOK (1320) s/on 5:59; WNRJ local s/on 6:30, v/l says all-Negro programming, owned by Rollins. 2/7, WMDZ (960) s/on at 6:15 very poor behind WHYL; WNGW (1490) and KMLB (1440) s/on at 7. 2/8 - believe WKIC (1340) on f/c at 5:50, very poor; KNCE (1390) s/on 5:50. 2/9, WSKY (1230) s/on at 5:30, no sign of CKRC. 2/13, WNGO/WILS (1320) s/on 5:30. 2/14 - Excellent conditions, WTIK (low) and WFPB (1450) very strong at 6, QRM'd by WDIX s/on. WKGN (1340) s/on 6; WPNB (1490) s/on 6:30. 2/15, CKRW (1000) very poor at 5:57 with WCFL off for some unknown reason. WGRB (1410) s/on at 6:02, ex WHTT/WONS. 2/16, WOPI (1490) s/on 5:30; WRHI (1340) s/on 5:45. 2/20, WCOG (1320) s/on 6. 2/22 - KFOJ (1280) seemingly they on RS at 3:40 strong, but terrible static. No sign of WAZF; KGLN heard but not needed; WTAO KNBC-dx forgotten. WMT on RS. 2/28 - WORD (1400) s/pr 6. 3/3 - WTLJ (620) RS 3:04. 3/4 - WKAY (1490) atop all s/on 6, looking for Lew's WMOG. Log at 724, not all reported, though. I found out Lefty's secret from Bernie. All I can say is (censored). My thanks to John Haskett for nice WCIN verid. To Mike Ferguson, WPTB probably heard by you at 6 EST as they are on early. Nuts to KPEL, didn't verify yet. Looks like a f/up along with many others. Hi to Scooter - youngest member in the club now. I'm not much older than you - I'm 14. 73 and best of DX.

Hank Holbrook - 4710 Edgemoor Lane #105 - Bethesda 14, Maryland

Have no DX to report this time so thought I'd list some statistics from the verie collection here. Due to the fact that I've had good DX locations, Chevy Chase and now Bethesda, Md. and also good receiving equipment, I probably have a better than average collection of veries. Not trying to show off by listing these statistics, but hope it will interest some of the fellows and that some of you will list info from your respective collections in future issues. Think it makes interesting reading. Have used many receivers but think the Hammarlund HQ-129-X I am now using is tops. Also have a Zenith Trans-Oceanic which is hot for a portable. Total veries 1,392 from all 48 states and 60 countries. Five leading states are Pennsylvania with 86 veries, New York 64, North Carolina 59, Virginia 56 and Ohio and California with 45. Foreign countries having ten or more stations - Canada 78, Cuba 46, Mexico 29, Puerto Rico 20, Australia 17, Brazil 16, France 15, Germany 15, and Costa Rica 11. Top veries - North America KFAR AHD with 22 watts, and Guadeloupe (most difficult to verify). South American YVLL CB-76 LR-1 CX-28, HCJB and PEB-6. Europe @ Kovno, Kishinev and Heidelberg. Africa, Algiers III, and Radio Dakar. Asia - no stations. Oceania 2LT, 2GN and 2XP. Most Eastern station - Kishinev, Most Western SPI, Northern KFAR, Southern 4YA. Stations over 2,000 miles total 349. Of these, 33 are 5,000 miles and over. 356 stations are 250 watts or under (Only 16 100 watts or under) - Breakdown of 250 watters by channels as follows - 1230 kc/s. with 19 stations, best catches CJBQ and KVM. 1240 kc/s., with 45 stations, best catches CJRW KRNO KWJB ~~WQXI~~ WORD KIUL. 1340 kc/s. - 59 stations - KEAA KCNA KGLN KOKK KMOR KNOG KFAM KAPA KPKW KRSD CKUX. 1400 kc/s., 50 stations, CKFH KCHS KCOG KGFL KKIN KOKO KENO and KNAK. 1490 kc/s., 43 stations - CKEN CMOX WMDZ KWIK and CKRC. Other channels, 82 stations - CBH 1330, CMHF 1040, ACE 1470, AHD 780 HWWW 1520 HIG 945 and KISE 1220. Lowest powered station, WJVC 610 with 8.1 watts, (University of Maryland received about ten miles from campus). Lowest powered foreign station, AHD 780 22 watts (Puerto Rico). Stations that gave me the greatest thrill were KFAR 2LT HCJB 974 kc/s., Sofia, AHD LR-1 CB-76 and many others. Greatest hunger if for an Asian station. All for now.

CHANGES IN STATION DATA - F.C.C.

CALL CHANGES

1250 W H N Y McComb, Miss. fr. WSKB 1590 K Y O K Houston, Texas, from KATL

WE WANT TO REMIND YOU ALL TO KEEP SENDING IN THOSE REPORTS. PLEASE CONFINE YOUR MUSINGS TO 30 LINES AS THEY APPEAR HERE IN "DX NEWS" AND PLEASE DOUBLE SPACE THEM, AND PLEASE ALSO KEEP AWAY FROM NON-STANDARD ABBREVIATIONS. THANK YOU.

Ralph Johanna - Buffalo 3, New York

V/1 by WTNS (1560) brown, red, CE says 8:45 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. and April, 6 a.m. - 7 p.m., Sunday 8 a.m. all year. WKNY (1490) sked 6 a.m. (Sunday 8:30)-11:15 p.m., Saturday through till midnight, f/c with RCA 12:02-12:15 a.m. first Saturday. WLAV (1340) sked 6:30 a.m. - 1 a.m., Sunday 7-12. WDOX (1260) form letter, 6 a.m. - 3 a.m., six nights and tests Saturday-Sunday-Monday nights, m2-6 a.m. WHJC (We Herald Jesus Christ) Three States Bldg. Co. has Christian broadcasts but is commercial station; s/on 5 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., 7 in April, Mr. J. Peterson of Kenmore, N.Y. is part owner. WFOR (1570) the old 1450er has 6 a.m. (Sunday 7:45)-12:05 a.m. sked. KSAL (1150) a v/c and v/1, KSAL, Inc. Journal Bldg. Co. CE says 3/5 was intermittent test, 1:22-3:42 CST, the BS 5:30 a.m. (Sunday 7)-midnight CST with carrier approximately ten minutes before and five after program and is directional after sunset. He mentions FCC rule, station ID within five minutes of hour and half hour or at end. (I wish this rule would be enforced and so eliminate getting Reilleyed over many many no-callers). This AM (3/15) heard WELH (1450) TT/c with RCA 1:15-1:25; KWFC (1340) r/TT/c; WGEZ (1490) r/TT/c; WRAW (1330) and r/c WASA to return at 6:15, but WIEK (Erie Pa.) has 6 a.m. s/on; WNRC I liked best; WBIR r/TT/c; WOXF had tough going and who said clear? WMON has r/TT/c at 4:30 and KMON/KAPA before and others. WSBS (1490) was like a local and that YL should be in bed with the station; GELC got the 5 a.m. works and later GEPG took front. 3/14 - WKEW (1520) Sunday off at 2:33 then TT/c (3:03 ID-call); on 1450 was KWEN v/c 3:10-3:25 and also WHLS (Port Huron, Mich. M/c 3:20-3:51 said all reports'll be verified. WLYN, WGGC had KEYD v/c 4:07-5 a.m., "I Got Rhythm" was dedicated to Ray Egan and Jim Critchett got "Left My Heart An Heidelberg" (any of that beer, Jim?); WELW (730) r/TT/c; 5:45 has CKIB (620) RS, 5:55 WJTN (Pat's home town) RS, no WANS (1280) at 5 (Ev. J.) maybe at 6; and local 550 WGR signs on at 5:50 also, a thunderstorm at 6:15 a.m. 3/11 - WGGC (1250) r/c not TT but music; then KWSC RS off at 2:41 to return at 6 a.m.; WWRL (1600) testing 2:50 etc., KOOL r/TT/c; WMBE (1340) r/c to return at 6:30 a.m. 3/10 - WHOW WSOO WGBT WKAM r/c and WSBT (960) TT/c 3:10-3:25; WISA (1450) Brattleboro, Vt. with ET/M (through WLESU) from 3:50-4:38 a.m. to 6 RS came nice. 3/9 - WWRL (1600) again TT/c 3:30-4 etc. 3/13 - KELP (920) r/M/c. That's all from Lake Erie.

Stan Morse - R. R. # 3 - Bradford, Massachusetts

3/8 - CMGM to 3 a.m. announcing "CMGM" "Radio Reports" "Cadena Azul" and "Radio Senator Presidente" prior to s/off, then CMGM. KCNI NWRC DX easy 3:07 a.m. 1Y2 3:23. 2YA 3:25 for a report on 570 kc/s. PRH-2 s/on 4 on 600, no WMP this AM. KHUX and WEMP 4:4:30 and no KWIM in sight. KJAM 4:45 and no WHED. Doesn't seem if either was on as conditions were tops. Veries, KIUL-dx WGPS KABC and WENR, to replace a verie from the sponsor of a show received in 1940 when WENE didn't verify its own reports. 2/10 - WBHU 2:15 TT, QRM by "Record Bar" new regular show to 2:30 daily from WENK, Union City, Tenn. WIOD test at 3:30, again announcing as no reports solicited and no veries will be sent out. WHED test to 3:01 a.m. Verie from KLUK-dx 3/11 - GEPG test 2:55. WCNU s/off 3. KOOL TT 3:12. HDAS to 3:36 s/off, proof of Performance. WMBE f/c 3:46. Veries, WCSI-dx and WLSH. 3/13 - WGGC-dx reported. 3/14 - WEYN DX test reported. WMBE with tornado reports. Veries, WKEO-dx KTIB-dx.

Relfe Luton - Route # 1 - Elizabeth City, North Carolina

As the current season draws to a close, conditions are not so favorable for DX. Static summer-like on several mornings of late. Some of the better loggings and veries are: KPRK WIRO WVPO-dx WTTT KTIM WONW KUJ WALL KWVO WMOG KIUL KPEW WCSI all on club specials. Prepared card for KDSJ-dx. KPRK, as others have reported, returned report marked "verified." Judging from their envelope they must have a beautiful letterhead. Sent report to KLUK but don't believe enough for verification. KWVO had a remarkable signals for conditions it ran into. 3/1 - KUIN-dx not heard here. 3/3 - GKNW logged for report. 3/7 - 2QN (1520) Denilquin, NSW logged 6:10-6:45 a.m. through carrier part of time. Same AM 4QB (910) Pialba, Queensland, for report. Fourth report to WPAG brought prompt reply and verification. WADK (1540) in like local all day every day. 3/8 logged CFRN (1260) with late program. 3/9 WJNO put the damper on WNDR, 3-3:45. WELW did same at 4 a.m. 3/13 - WGGC very strong on club special. 3/14 - WLYN ran into local thunder storms, good signal but bothered by severe static. Cards from 2LT, Litagow, NSW and 2NX (1360) Bolwarra, NT 2NX both ways in only 15 days. All my 762 veries can be credited to membership in NRC. It is surely a great help to each and every DXer and is a "must" at this den. Looks like we'll all have to go to the Convention to find out the great secret. Watch for the Aussies from now to mid-April.

Croton DX Club - 46 Morningside Drive - Croton-on-Hudson, New York
 Hi again. Veries in are as follows: KOTX WENR WUSI WCIN WTAU KLUK WJBC KLYN KYNO
 WHAM WGAR WBAL WAAT WOLF WFBL WITY WGLL WJDX. OK, now to the loggings: 3/2 - KAMQ
 (1010) r/c. 3/3 - KIMS (1290) test at 4:18. 3/8 - WCVS (1450) s/off 1:02. KJHL
 (1400) r/c. KVED (1400) r/c. KJAM (1340) r/c. KFSD (600) from Jim Critchett's
 home town, s/off 3:05 with WFT and WJG both off on Monday now. KNVI (1280) DX for
 both clubs 3:15 in very good. 3/9 - WJKE (1490) r/c. WJWK (1400) TP from the city
 of Sid Rosenbaum 4:48 to 4:55 for a much needed log. WJLV (1230) Tting 4:05-4:15.
 3/10 - WJJS (1390) s/off 1:00. WPAR (1450) r/c. 3/11 - WAIM (1230) s/on 5:30. 3/
 13 - KJLF (1370) 2:00 s/off rolled. 3/14 - WALE (1400) s/on 7:00. That's all.
 Well, how did you like the WNBC-dx show? Since I am writing this before we go on
 the air, I hope the weather was good. We hope to top 100 reports so if you listened
 to the show and didn't bother to write a report, do it now. Even if you mention one
 song that we played, your report will be verified. So slam it in the mail as soon
 as possible. If you already sent a report, thank you very much. You boys in New
 Zealand, I hope you heard it too. Incidentally, all reports will be written by us
 and not the station. It will be on station stationery though. I don't know whether
 you will receive a letter or a QSL as yet. Well, that's that. We want to welcome
 Reuben Delgold into the National Radio Club. I hope I spelled you name right, Reu-
 ben. Well, so long for now and happy DXing. 73s.

Joe Brauner - 23 Howard Avenue - Williamsville 21, New York
 Mighty little to report for the last two weeks. Missed quite a lot of tuning time
 due to other activities. On 3/1 tried for CKED but heard nothing except WHDH with
 music, few station breaks. WJZK came in very well on 1260 but no sign of WJWL-dx.
 Big snow here on night of 3/1-2 stopped any hopes of KBYR, very poor DX WX. Nothing
 new all that week except really clear signal from 2NX on 1360 at 4 a.m. on 3/4. A-
 bout the clearest identifications we have ever had from a TP here. On 3/8 DX was
 good but didn't get much. No sign of DXes from either KJWI or WJED. Some Califor-
 nia station had a test going on 1340 between 4:30 and 4:58, QRM first from KRUX and
 later from maybe KRUL. Could not get call clearly although plenty of dope for a
 verie. Few bits of QRM from strong signal on and off a few times. On 3/5 tried for
 WJDB f/c at 1:40 but no trace here, despite perfect reception of WDUZ, also 1400, in
 same state at 1:40 s/off. Finally added a new one in WJWJ, 1280 on 3/12 with ET,
 organ music, from 4:40 to 4:49 a.m. Strong here, thanks to tip in recent "DX News"
 from Len Kruse. Someone else, much weaker on 1280 after WJWJ left, no announcements
 at 5 o'clock, or up to 5:25 when others blocked them out, steady music, many tunes
 replayed a few times. Veries have been coming in well, letters from WJNW-dx, WAZF-
 dx, WPRY KABC KJUL-dx KJTB-dx KJUK-dx WJZK-dx and cards from WJAF WCIN WJCO and
 CJIB. A few stations who DXed for us are slow to answer, WJMB being the most per-
 sistent hold-out, YSDP WJEP are the others. 73.

Scooter Seagraves - Box # 660 - Stuttgart, Arkansas
 Hiya gang. Help! Can anybody tell me how to get a verie from WJJD? Ki Gerstner,
 how about going by some time and doing a little missionary work on their staff so
 they'll get on the Verie Wagon? Now for the DX: Believe I left off last time at 2/
 22 so I'll start there. Then I heard KGLN-1340-dx, WAZF-1230-DX, WTAU-1150-WNBC-dx.
 Received veries from KONO-660, a QSL, another QSL from KOL-1300, and a nice letter
 from KJRA-1600. Said I was the first reporter from Arkansas in three years. 2/23,
 a v/1 from KJDA-1510-dx. 2/24- Received a nice letter from Carl Pendergrass. Glad
 to see he's joining the club. 2/27, Hopping mad over forgetting about KJTB-630-DX.
 I thought it was the next day so didn't even bother to listen. Veries in are from
 KJMG-740 and WBAX-1240, both v/1s. 2/28, too much QRM to get DXes. However after-
 noon DX got me WJSC-1550 and WBAM-740, both RS. WBAM's a second try. 3/3- Received
 "DX News" and v/1s from WAZF-1230-dx and KJIG-1450-dx. 3/4- Verie from KJEP, a let-
 ter. Says they hope to go fulltime any day. Logged KONO-710-RS. 3/5- Received QSL
 from KJOX-1280 and a letter from KJL-1420-dx. 3/7- Verie from WTAU-1150-WNBC-dx-QSL
 also "DX News." Logged WJW-770 s/off 7 p.m. 3/8- Logged KNVI-1280-unsked DX for NRC
 and WNBC, KJUK-1340 f/c, WFBL-1390 s/on 5 a.m., WJGN-610 RS and KJRY-730 RS to s/off
 both at night. Verie, WALL-1340-dx-v/1. This ranks as my best DX to date as far as
 ratio of power to distance goes. Guess as far as actual distance HJGZ and YSDP beat
 all. Still no verie from YSDP, however. 3/9- Tentative log on GJCU-660 and positive
 one from KJSA-950-RS. 3/11, verie letter from WJSC. V/s is a native of Benton and
 knows some people in England about 25 miles away. 3/12- Verie, a letter from KJOC-
 710. Logged WJEF-1270-RS and WJPS-1330-RS. 3/13- Logged WJWN-1150-RS (con'd P. ?)

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Scouter McGraves, con'd from P. 6.) KEXD-1440 test, WEXL-1340 BS and KVEN-1280 BS. Also a wonderful DX show from WGCB, fair despite the QRM. Plenty of publicity for NRC and a downright wonderful program, as arranged by Smitty. This will possibly be my last report for the season and I just want to say that it's been swell working with the rest of you. Oh yes, today received QSL from WKKO for their 12/22/53 DX.

Bernie Duffy - 77 Livermore Avenue - Staten Island 2, New York

Once more veries outnumber additions to my log. They are, a postal from KCHR, a nice green printed card from WKKO, for their December DX, and letters from KEEN confirming that it's they I hear daily s/off with "The Lord's Prayer" at 3:00. Other letters are from: KEAR KPRW KXRA KTIB WEKZ WCSI and KFED. The latter said that their test of Mar. 4 that I reported was their annual "Proof of Performance" test, not a monthly as I had presumed. DXing the past week netted me these: 3/9 - KCHR 1350 fairly strong with its monthly test at 1:40-1:55. 3/11, either CENO or KEEN weak and fady on 1410 as they read news at 3 and 4 a.m. and played popular music the rest of the time. Hoping to learn which of them it was I sent a tentative report to each. That same AM KGCU came in weakish with its monthly 1000 cycle tone test for Kansas City at 3:10-3:20. 3/13 I got CKEC very poorly as they s/on 1230 kc/s. at 5:28 through terrific QRM, precluding much data. A minute later either WSKY or WFAI came on making matters worse. Oddly enough, I found KFI equal to WHKK till 6:20 a. m., no sign of the Cuban. 3/13 - WGCB's DX was well received, friendly and interesting at 4:00. WCOU's ill-timed DX at 5:00 nearly lost behind several early s/ons; Too bad they weren't asked to come on before 5:00 when only WEDC would QRM. 3/14 - WLYN's DX was good despite static and publicized NRC and MNRC nicely, at 4:00. 3/15 - KOY 550 found in the clear at 2-4 but was quite weak. WEAW and WOXP's DXes were well received and unusually friendly. WNBC's test naturally was perfectly received and CKLC's DX was fairly strong both at 4:00, but KVOZ "didn't show" behind powerhouses WSRB and WARD at 4:30.

Pat Bailley - 11 Irvine Place - Jansstown, New York

Veries back are KALE WBAX KTIB WCSI WGGG WROL WKKO. 3/9 - Unknown Spaniard on 1280, 3:19, no call heard and then tester here, on and off until 4:30 and now call heard. WHLN, 1230, f/c at 4:08. WGAP, 1400, f/c at 4:15. 3/10 - WSBT, 960, test at 3:05. WOBT, 1240, f/c at 3:28. Unknown on 1280, American and Spanish music, 3:40-3:53. KEAM and CJCH gave me a laugh at 4:27 on 920. One had "Stranger in Paradise" and the other "Moonlight and Roses" and they blended together so good that I woke up the wife with my chuckling. 3/11 - WEXY, 920, on f/c at 2:38 for new one. CPPL, 980, test at 2:57. WBHB, 1280, f/c at 3:07. KGCU, 1270, f/c at 3:11. KDAS, 1420, Proof of Performance test at 3:30 for second new one today. KRUX and WITE, 1340, at 3:43. KWK, test on 1380 at 4:12. WCOA, test at 4:23 on 1370. 3/12 - No DX, some more of that all-night company that stays. 3/13 - Very noisy, sat and wrote out reports until WGCB came on DX and copied them for contest and a duplicate. 3/14 - WEML, 1240, tornado news at 3:40. WLYN DX copied. 3/15 - Copied WNBC WEAW WOXP CKLC on DXes. WEAW was the only old one, the rest were new. Copied two announcements on KVOZ at 4:49 and 8:52½, a new one. I'll report but not enough for a verie, I'd say. Hal Williams, I have verie of WNBC in 1935, WRED in 1945 but never did hear WONS on air.

JoeENZ - 288 Central Avenue - Brooklyn 21, New York

A few late veries in here are KTIB WAYZ WGRY WPIT WTON WSSV CKEC two from WLYN WCOJ CBF CBB thank-you card and two airmails from my mystery on 790 kc/s., Radio Trinidad, one dated Feb. 14, second Mar. 7, both arrived a few days apart. Through the fine efforts of Mike Ferguson and Bernie Duffy was able to identify this station. To Joe Brauner, that's your station also. They have morning prayer every AM at 6 sharp - a different church each AM. Then announce deceased people, funeral services etc., then 5:15 a.m., "Rise and Shins" with plenty of plugs, and ads. WCOJ Coatesville, Pa. in clear till 6 p.m. Sundays - same for WTRR 1470 kc/s., till 6:15 p.m. Sent local reports to WKBS who is soon moving to Huntington, L.I., also WGEB. Also heard WEKZ on BRG DX. That's all for here a while. 73s and good DXing.

Hilding Gustafson - 2734 11th Street - Rockford, Illinois

Another year has rolled around and again my club dues are due. Still sitting on the sidelines and watching the other fellows perform as far as DX is concerned. Wishing you the best of health, happiness and prosperity.

REMEMBER, OUR TWO ISSUES FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL WILL BE OUT ON APRIL 6 and APRIL 17. DEADLINE IN BROOKLYN FOR THESE ISSUES WILL BE WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 31 and APRIL 14. WE HOPE YOU'LL ALL SEND IN YOUR DX REPORTS FOR THESE ISSUES OF "DX NEWS."

Jim Critchett - 1119 West Arbor Drive - San Diego 3, California

Time for another report of DX doings, including stations heard and verified. First, the DX Specials. 630 KTIB very bad through KFOA and beside KFI. 1010 WCSI not heard; 1370 KWVO stayed on a half hour beyond 3 for us westerners; thanked for doing so. 850 CGED not heard either the 28th or March 1. 1340 KULW good until KATO's f/c at 4:15. 1260 WEKZ heard several times through GREN. No WTVN on 1340. Didn't try for 1240 KBYR. On 1340 neither KWLM nor WHED were heard because of KGMJ KRUX KHUL and KJAM. Looks like another big weekend of specials coming. Veries are from 680 KABI, 1150 WTAW-dx, 1230 WAZP-dx, 1240 KLUX-dx, 1280 WONW-dx, 1360 KVRB-f/c, 1360 WKAT, 1420 KUJ-dx, and WTRR-dx. I quote from a couple of my replies. First, from Dick Nicholas, CE, 580 KABI: "As you can see, we don't have the time nor the inclination to answer the multitude of "heard" requests we get each month following a frequency check. I certainly don't have the time, nor do we have any QSL department set up. As a result, most of them go unanswered." Suggest prepared cards to him. Second, from Arthur F. Smith, Jr., CE 1360 WKAT: "We sometimes allow DX reports to accumulate for two or three weeks and answer a handful at a crack." Very nice stationery and QSL card, so keep trying for them. I hope that before the next DX season starts with its weekly "DX News" that you can get a typewriter with larger type and make it easier on our tired old eyes. After eight hours at work reading numbers, the small type is really hard to read. Perhaps some one in the club knows where you can get another machine cheaply and possibly the club could assist in the finances. Please add your comments, Lefty. Best wishes to all the club. (No comment here - this is a matter for the Board of Governors -Ed.)

Charlie Conley - 358 Market Street - Lemoyne, Pennsylvania

Ten veries in this week: WALL WAZP WEKZ WCSI WMOG KIUL KPKV and KTIB all on NBS DXes, WTAW on NCRB DX and, thanks to the "DX News," one from WENE who said the FCC hasn't officially OKed the merger, but it is expected shortly. Only two reports out the week of the 8th. No sign here of KWLM or WHED. WGGB nearness permitted his signal to break through WCMB and I heard the fine build-up our Fishin' Cousin "Smitty" was given! Will send them a thank-you and prepared card for contest entry. Slept through WLYN this (14th AM. A humming of a toothache burst forth for me on the 13th (appropriate day!) and I found I'll have to have four out tomorrow. Happened to be sleeping through a lull in the ache and thus missed WLYN. Will try for him next time. Hope it behaves sufficiently to enable me to try for the fine line-up again this (15th) AM. Sounds as though I'll have to have them all out, so I'll have to get to it and have the new chompers under control by Labor Day to tear into that delicious food for which the Brauners are noted! Fred Van Voorhees called me this past week to say his mother-in-law had passed away, and said he would advise Pop, as he would not be able to forward his column. Our sympathy to Fred and the family.

Carroll Seth - 41 Mariold Avenue - Buffalo 15, New York

Little DX here with the last TA just a whistle on 1232 March 7. Got side-tracked this morning as WHD broadcast Notre Dame vs. Indiana game which I thought ended very happily - Notre Dame on top. Will have to tape my arches for the St. Patrick's Day Parade here as they were pounded flat last week helping initiate a tough bunch of monkeys into the Sons of the Desert. Other injuries incurred have since healed. Appreciate the dope on my 545 catch as reported by Holbrook and Bernie Duffy who sent it by post card. Hank could out-DX me with a finger on his antenna post for a sky wire but he'd better find a new home anyhow. Monte Carlo verified last week the same day the sad news of Sullivan's defection came through. Agree with Conley that Sully shouldn't have taken that bunch home last Convention. Concerning Conley's irreverent remarks of last issue, it would seem that some disciplinary action is indicated. We were saving him for filibuster duty but no man is irreplaceable. However, his bankroll is.

CHANGES IN STATION DATA - F.C.C.

NEW STATIONS

970	Canton, North Carolina	1,000 D-1	1370	Corry, Pennsylvania	500 D-1
1330	Milton, Florida	1,000 D-1	1490	Toppenish, Washington	250 U-1
1350	Dade City, Florida	1,000 D-1	1590	Jackson, Mississippi	1,000 D-1

FACILITIES

1240	K S L V	Monte Vista, Colorado,	250 U-1, from 1490 kc/s., 250 U-1.
1410	K W C B	Searcy, Arkansas,	to 1,000/500 U-2, from 1300 kc/s., 1,000 D-1
1560	W Q X R	New York, New York,	to 50,000 U-3, from 10,000 U-1, same channel.

Sid Steele - Route # 4 - Charleston, Illinois

On March 11, a verie was received from KPM, Pasco, Wash. for the NRC special. It turned out to be verie #2000 in my collection. It all began back in 1931 with verie #1 coming from WTOG, Savannah, Ga. It won't take you younger DXers that long to get to 2000 with so many more to tune for. In 1931, there were less than 700 stations in the U.S. and Canada. At one time I had them all but about 50. Now I need about 1,025 in the U.S. alone! In other words, I'm not getting anywhere! It's hard to remember all the highspots of those years. There were those low powered ones - the 10 and 15 watt Canadian Amateur broadcasters, VESKK, Montmagny, Que., LOBQ, Brantford, Ont., etc., KFFM, 15 watts, Greenville, Tex., GFCT, 50 watts, Victoria, B.C. There were the foreigners - the Argentine broadcasts for the Bureau of Standards - LB-1, LB-4 and IS-2 (and how a lot of us almost passed up LB-1 because it came in like a local). There was KFXM, the first 100 watt from the west coast. There was KDFN, Casper, Wyo. which made the 48th state verified. There was Poste Parisien, the first European and 2-BL, the first TP. Some of the high spots have been more recent. last year's DX from GJON and this year's from GFAR. All through these wonderful years the NRC has played a most important part. I can't remember when I first joined but it was about 1934. Without its bulletin and special programs, DX would be a lot less organized and certainly a lot less enjoyable. We all owe a lot to those who make it possible - the editors, the officers and the CPC men. There is not much space left for a report. Recent specials heard from WMOG (very tough here) KVVV WESI WEKZ KUIN (also very tough here) and WLYN. Sunday AM, 3/7, found KINS-1330 in clear from 7-7:15. The specials on 3/8 did not show up but others heard were KCNL (1280) 3:55-4:10, KRUX (1340) 4:19-4:30 and KAYO (1150) on test 4:57-4:54. In afternoon, KWET (1370) logged at s/off at 7:15. So you see I'm not stopping, I'm on the way to 2000.

Len Kruse - 816 Euclid Street - Dubuque, Iowa

The morning of Monday, March 15 was the second best AM of the current DX season as far as to the number of new loggings, exactly six new ones added on that date, of which four were NRC DX specials. Station WNRG (1460) New Rochelle, N.Y. was heard, with a poor signal, but did hear two of the Croton DXers doing the announcing. And then on the WBAW-dx (1330) Evanston, Ill., I was happy to hear member Ben Patch handling a portion of the announcing. Mighty glad to hear WBAW as it is my last needed station in the entire state of Illinois, for verification. The hour-long DX from much-sought WOXF (1340) Oxford, N.C. was heard 4-5 a.m. but with QRM from KMYR who decided to go all night on 3/15 - let's hope this is not a regular occurrence, or 1340 will never be clear for some more fine DXes. The DX from KVOZ (1490) Laredo, Texas was heard, but with difficulty, with WSRB being the "top" station on that frequency. The regular s/on of 5 kw/ daytimer WBOY (1470) Tarpon Springs, Fla. was heard at 5 a.m. and listened easily for their first 30 minutes of BS for a new catch. And #6 for 3/15 AM was the logging of the new WAKE (1440) Greenville, S.C. with their BS s/on and programs 5:30-6 a.m., but some QRM was had from WHIS. A report was also sent to GJIC on their club special on that AM, too. The two DX specials slated for 3/8 AM did not show up as scheduled, namely KWIM and WHEE. However, reports did go to both WGOB and WLYN on their recent club specials, although these both not needed. A slim report was sent to WGOV (1240) Lewiston, Me. on their NRC DX of 3/23, they s/on 35 minutes earlier than asked to avoid QRM from WBIR who s/on at 5. Verifications received of late came from KLJK-dx, KIMA KDAV and WSNY. Then too, WKKO sent a nice QSL card on their December DX test, although a letter verie came shortly after the DX. Other club DXes recently verified, but duplicates, were WCSI KPM and WEKZ.

C. B. Gerstner, 9853 Escanaba Avenue - Chicago 17, Illinois

Total log now past 770 with only 23 veries to date. Here are some loggings. 3/13, sent report to WGOB on NRC DX despite very heavy static. (We had just about everything in the line of weather earlier that evening). 3/14 - KCOL, 1410, s/off at 2:04, 2:19 logged KXOC 1060; 2:30 logged KWJ 1080, three new loggings; 4:05 WLYN 1360 DX for NRC and NNRG marred briefly by WSAI testing. Will test March 21 on what they hope to be an all-request program. KVAN s/off at 5:00 another new logging. 3/15 - WNRG-dx heard with weak signal; KMYR on all night completely ruining WOXF-dx, also had WJON testing. (He seems to "pop up" every time NRC has DX on 1340); CKLC very good here as was WBAW which is a local. Couldn't find KVOZ through mess on 1490; 4:48, WQAO testing on 800, which is now clear of WMT and WICO on Mondays; 5:00 WSYR 570 s/on; CKCW heard very well from 5:05 to 5:20 a.m. 73a.
DON'T FORGET TO KEEP THOSE REPORTS COMING, BOYS, AND DON'T FORGET TO DOUBLE SPACE??

Lowell McCown - Bypro, Kentucky

This past week brought me in six veries. They were WTAW KPAL WPKZ KFOJ and WOC. Oh yes! I also received a verie from HJGZ for my first SA verie. I noted that a lot of the other boys were receiving veries from HJGZ so I thought I would try my luck and sure enough they veried on a very shabby report! I think I heard KIKI 860 in Honolulu but am not sure. I heard a station on this frequency s/off at 4 EST and they were very weak. If anyone knows whether KIKI s/off at 4 a.m. on Tuesday I'd appreciate it if they would drop me a line and let me know. Total veries are now only 135 and heard log is about 490 and will have 500 by the time you receive this. This past week I added 81 to my heard log with only five days of DXing. I am trying desperately to get a verie from KPOA 630. They refused to verify one report this year. This week I sent them one of three recordings and an author of a recording and I also enclosed a prepared card. KPOA also would not verify a report from Bernie Duffy. Anyone else having trouble with this one? Evidently they don't like to get DX reports, hi. I have missed a few DX specialss this past few weeks due to my bulletins coming a week late - and to think that the Postmaster General wants to raise postage, phooey, hi. I have found that March has been the best DX month yet. Will KSFZ 1340 verify? 3/13 we had 50° WX and today 3/14 it is about 34° and the ground is white with snow. For a fellow just starting out DXing, Monday AMs are the best times for DXing. I never knew that 1340 was a clear channel until about two months ago, hi. On Monday AMs I try to catch all the DX and don't get hardly any in the meantime, hi. Well, 73s and am out of space.

Mike Ferguson - 3337 Prospect Street - Houston 4, Texas

Still having dust storms in these parts and that means trouble to any DXer. Only one DX day for me this week and it was a honey. That was on 3/8 when the TPs were pounding away. Started off the AM with reception of PHE-7 on 1410 and an unidentified LA on 880 mentioning "Radio Rumbo." ZYC-660 heard so early that I thought maybe it was KFAR but no such luck. 4QS-750 8-5 4:06-4:39 and reported. I recently put my old radio (Silvertone) right beside the Hammarlund and hooked them both into the same antenna system. The Silvertone didn't produce a trace of 4QS because of WJR and KCBS sidewash. But the Hammarlund brought in a nice readable signal. I'm really pleased with it. 300-670 8-5 4:55-5:48 and reported, one I've been trying a long time to get. It was QRM'd by another signal which was weak and I couldn't even tell language. Probably LRA-2 as the only other possibilities would be DZAS, Taiwan and JOBK. IYZ-800 running as high as 8-8 along with 4XA-790. Noise returned on 3/9 so no DX. Rest of the week also poor DX-wise because of local noise and static. Still hear ZEM-1 1235 almost every time I DX at the 5:15 s/on. And still no verie. In fact, no veries from anybody for the past week despite 21 reports out. This is getting serious! WIEW-1540 has even refused to return my prepared card although I know my log is correct. On 3/8 I heard a station s/on 1460 announcing something about being a "Washington Post" station. Ideas, anybody? Thanks to Hal Wagner and the rest for their correspondence. Also Alex MacKenzie of the Croton gang. That does it.

Craig Ellyson - 300 Kenilworth Street - Waterloo, Iowa

Hi gang. Well, the DX season is fast coming to an end. Static has already set in, hi. March 15 is the last big AM, DX-Special-wise, with five programs on. Only two more weekly issues - let's make them the biggest of the season by swamping Lefty with our reports. Now to DX listening: 3/6 - WENK (1240) Union City, Tenn. s/off with "Dixie" at 2:30. 3/14 - CKCX (620) Regina, Sask. s/off at 3:05 with "I Believe", KTFI (1270) Twin Falls, Idaho s/off at 2:00, KOTA (1380) Rapid City, S.D. at 3:00, KIMS (1480) Lincoln, Neb. 2:15-2:30, KWBW (1450) Hutchinson, Kansas on with a test at 2:50, KIJ (580) Fresno, Cal. 3:05-3:15 RS, WBAL (1090) Baltimore, Md. s/off at 4: and WLYN DX program for the first ten minutes through a lot of static. Veries last week were WAXF KPIG KTLB WPKZ and WTAW from their DX programs, KGBR and WAIT also were received during the week. WAIT verified a report sent to WCRD Dec. 13. They wrote the verification Dec. 20 and lay around their studios till March 10. Maybe they misplaced the return postage, hi! 73s and best of DX to everyone.

HEAD SINCE LAST ISSUE

610 KIA: Agana, Guam	1400 KEMT Henderson, Nev.	1460 EDON Now Salinas, Cal.
1050 WRAP Now 1000 D1	KJND Now 250 U1	1480 KVOE Now 1,000 U2, ex-U1
1230 KOTS Daming, NM.	1420 CKOM Ex-1340;5000U2	1490 WMBR Monroe, Georgia
1250 WHNY Ex-WSKB	1450 KGMK McCansy, Texas	1590 KIOK Ex-KATL
1380 WAOK Ex-WAIT	KJBL Now 250 U1 /FLASH	- DX TO COME - WEND-1320 later

NATIONAL RADIO CLUB DX CONTEST STANDINGS AS OF 3/6/54

FIRST PLACE - EVERETT JOHNSON - 362 points

1 point: WFLM KLFM WROL WBAZ

3 point: KFXM WQTA WQHF KRAM WLOH WTJS KGOS CJQB CJGX

DX Spec: KFXM KHOZ KBTO WQTA WFUL WGAW KCNO WSAY WITY KPAM CJGX KDSJ WSSV WKEY

SECOND PLACE - GENE CAMERON - 347 points

1 point: WTIC WOW KYYI WOTC WHEB QBK

3 point: WGGG KTRY WTRR WSKB KMOX KRJE KFAB KSJE WTLJ KVRB / WRAX WALL

DX Spec: WGGG WTRR WSAY WKEY KCNO KODL WITY KBTO KTIM KUJ WVPO WHEB KPIG WONW

THIRD PLACE - LEN KRUSE - 325 points

1 point: KEVT KHOZ KFXM WGGG WQTA WTRR WGAW KOHR KGUU KPAM KLYN WSSV KAYO WHEB
KGOS CKLC CJGX

3 point: KSUN KUSA KABC WKKO WQFS KBAR WILQ KWSK WLBW WKHM WLSM KNDG WCIN WHEB
WKEY KUJ WPPF CFAC CKSM

DX Spec: KHOZ KFXM WGGG WKKO WLBW WLSA WQVA WPKY WFRM KPUL WGAW WSSV KPAM WKEY
KBTO CJGX WSAY KCNO KTIM KPIG WTRR WLSM WALL WONW WRAX WVPO WHEB KUJ WPPF

FOURTH PLACE - C. M. STANBURY - 315 points

1 point: WQTA WBBT WEMD WGAW WFK KPAM WHAN WHEB WBEJ WYR CBJ / CKSM CJGX

3 point: WULA KHOZ WONS KPIG KBTO WLBW WTRR WFKC KWK KPKK KAST WSSV WPPF CBA

DX Spec: WFRM KHOZ KBTO WPPF KFXM WLBW WQTA KPAM WGAW CJGX WSSV WKEY WSAY KRW
WITY KCNO WHEB WVPO WGGG WTRR KPIG KTIM

FIFTH PLACE - STAN MORRIS - 276 points

1 point: KXOC WONS WDOV WPCG WPAW CBA CJGX

3 point: KEVT KCNO WQTH WITY WTRR KUSD KJBC KPKW CKB

DX Spec: CJGX WSAY WKEY KPKW WTRR WRAX KCNO WITY WHEB KPIG WVPO

SIXTH PLACE - JIM CRITCHETT - 251 points

1 point: WBZ WEMP CKCW

3 point: WOOF WWL WGAW WOR WPTB KVGQ KDSJ KVRB CJGX

DX Spec: CJGX WGAW KBTO KCNO KDSJ KODL KTIM WRAX WKEY WSAY

SEVENTH PLACE - PAT REILLEY - 244 points

1 point: KPIG WTRR WAAB WTLJ KHMN KPKW WMMB CKSM CJGX

3 point: WSTW WQRA WITY WKEY WGAW WCIN KLYN WKEY

DX Spec: WLBW WSAY WAAB KPKW WGAW KBTO CJGX WITY WTRR WKEY KCNO KTIM KPIG WONW

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EIGHTH PLACE - KEN MURPHY - 194 points

No additions.

NINTH PLACE - BILL MOSER - 186 points

1 point: WGAW WJAR CJGX

3 point: WFUL WAAB WAWZ KOMA CKSM

DX Spec: WQTA WFUL WGAW WAAB WSAY WKEY CJGX

TENTH PLACE - HAROLD SCHROCK - 181 points. No additions.

ELEVENTH PLACE - CHARLIE CONLEY - 180 points. No additions.

TWELFTH PLACE - C. C. SMITH - 180 points. No additions.

THIRTEENTH PLACE - HAL WILLIAMS - 158 points

1 point: WMLV WJAR WYR WOBT CKSM

3 point: KBTO WBBT CJQB

DX SPEC: KBTO WFUL WKEY

FOURTEENTH PLACE - JACK HATHAWAY - 156 points

1 point: WOI WYWC

3 point: WIGG WFRM WAAB

DX Spec: WSAY WAAB WONW

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NBC DX CONTEST STANDINGS AS OF 3/5/54, CONTINUED

FIFTEENTH PLACE * CRAIG ELLYSON - 166 points.

1 point: WVOK KFFA WLEN WLSM KOBE WIPM KUJ CJCA
3 point: KCON KXO WRGA WION WLSO WISC CJGX
DX Spec: WLNA KEOZ WFHM WLEN WLSM CJGX KUJ WSAY WITY KPIG

SIXTEENTH PLACE - BOB GORSUCH - 154 points

1 point: KPKW 3 point: WKEY DX Spec: WSAY WKEY KPNW WBAX

SEVENTEENTH PLACE - BERNIE DUFFY - 145 points No additions.

EIGHTEENTH PLACE - FRANK WHEELER - 139 points.

1 point: WGGG WITY WTRR WONW WELP WBIR 3 point: WAAB WKEY
DX Spec: WKEY WSAY WBAX WTRR WAAB WITY WGGG WONW

NINETEENTH PLACE - SID STEELE - 132 points. No additions.

TWENTIETH PLACE - TED SALING - 130 points.

1 point: KFXM WLEN WTRR WAAB WINA KPAM WKEY DRAR GWS CJGX
3 point: KTIM KBTO WGAW WSAY KODL KUJ KUJ
DX Spec: WAAB WINA KPAM WLEN KBTO KFXM WSAY KTIM CJGX WLAJ WKEY KGNO WTRR KODL

TWENTY-FIRST PLACE - CLARA WACHTEL - 109 points

1 point: KOOL WITY WTIK WGAW WBNW KKKW WNON CJGX 3 point: KHUX WAAB WBAX
DX Spec: WFUL WGAW WAAB WBAX BJGX KPKW WITY

TWENTY-SECOND PLACE - HANK WAHD - 100 points. No additions.

TWENTY-THIRD PLACE - RAY EDGE - 95 points. No additions.

TWENTY-FOURTH PLACE - RON MATSON - 84 points.

1 point: KCPH WTOP WFPM WLS KGGF WLEN WCCO WTOB GFAC CJGX
3 point: WEDC WFUL WJKO WFWG CKSM DX Spec: KGGF WPKY WLEN WFUL CJGX

TWENTY-FIFTH PLACE - KENT COBSON - 80 points. No additions.

TWENTY-SIXTH PLACE - BOY MILLAR - 78 points.

1 point: KSTP KFAB CBJ 3 point: KWKH CJRL CKAC DX Spec: None

TWENTY-SEVENTH PLACE - RELFE LUTON - 76 points. No additions.

TWENTY-EIGHTH PLACE - HANK HOLBROOK - 68 points. No additions.

TWENTY-NINTH PLACE - LEFTY COOPER - 52 points. No additions.

THIRTEETH PLACE - JOE LIPPENCOTT - 28 points. No additions.

THIRTY-FIRST PLACE - GRANT BATSON - 5 points. No additions.

THIRTY-SECOND PLACE - FRED VAN VOORHEES - 1 point. No additions.

Same six with no entry. Only error from last listing to be brought to my attention, DX specials listed for Stan Morse are in error - the ones for Harold Schroek were printed for both of them. Another prize was won last month. On February 15th with the entry of WPBC in Minnesota, Stan Morse won the number 9 prize for seven unknown areas. It is interesting to note that 10 or 11 of you have had six of the seven for various lengths of time - some several weeks. All of you were missing Maine. Stan has had Maine but was missing Minnesota and California. The seven areas were the four "corner" states - a north central - a south central and a central. Maine, Florida, Washington, California, Minnesota, Louisiana, Kansas. The prize 11 for one specific station is still available. Everyone did fine in submitting entries this month. (signed) Bob Gorsuch, Contest Manager, 2509 "D" Ave. N.E., Cedar Rapids, Ia. Your Editor is sorry, but the last listings as submitted by Bob are not available here, so the correct DX specials for Stan Morse cannot be supplied from here. We want to compliment Bob for the neat way these are submitted each month, and it is comparatively a cinch to copy them onto the stencils. We're glad to see this contest has proven so popular, and is undoubtedly one of the most popular we have run in the last several seasons. Good luck to all the contestants.

- 550 WSVA Harrisonburg Va S/on week-days at 0500 (Len Kruse-Dubuque Ia)
600 ---- This channel is now apparently clear MON AMs (E Johnson-Ill)
690 CMBC Havana Cuba Reg S/on is 0530 (Johanns-Buffalo N Y)
710 WKRG ?????????? Apparently on an alnight schedule (Ev Johnson)
740 WIAC San Juan P.R. reg S/on is 0455 in Spanish/English (Johanns)
960 KNA Shenandoah Iowa S/on week-days is 0530 (Kruse)
970 KWBC Fort Worth, Texas S/on week-days at 0500 (Kruse)
WVOP Vidalia, Ga S/on SUN AMs at 0500 (Ev Johnson-Mendota Ill)
990 KSVP Artesia N M F/C is 1st SUN at 0235-0250 instead of my listing
last time. (Ev Johnson)
1280 WINA Charlotteville Va S/on week-days at 0554 (Kruse)
1340 KRUX ???????? F/C 2nd MON with Station ID every 2 min (Johnson)
1390 WFBL Syracuse N Y S/on week-days at 0500 (Scooter-Stuggart Ark)
1410 KCOL Fort Collins, Colo S/off at 0201 (Ev Johnson) / (Kruse)
1420 CKOM Saskatoon Sask now testing with 5Kw on this freq hrd 3/13
WLET Toccoa Ga Reg S/on is 0558, good here 20 min (Johanns)
1440 WAKE Greenville S C week-day S/on is 0530 (Kruse)
1450 WROX Clarksdale Miss week-day S/on is 0545 (Kruse)
1470 WBOY Tarpon Springs Fla week-day S/on is 0500, best MON AMs (Kruse)
WBIG Greensboro N.C. week-day S/on is 0530 (Kruse)

F/C's heard as listed; 1st SUN KWDM-WENY-WLAY-WARD-WBEX-WRAD;
1st WED WTCM 2nd TUE WALM-WJMA 2nd WED WPRT-WSKI-WASK-WPAR
WBOW-WNOX.

Scooter Seagraves writes saying that you lads and gals should not be worried if your KOSE veries are late. He is going to Osceola in about 3 weeks or a month and he wrote Ted asking him to wait to get the veries out. However Scooter says if you want to be sure of a verie in time for the contest, to drop a prepared card to Ted, and the other veries will be later. Scooter says that on 3/16 he noticed that 550 Kc was clear of CMW at least beteen 0319 and 0415.

Again me mention that if some of you reporters find items you sent in not listed you will know that they did not contain any definite info. Just hearing a F/C on such and such a date and time is no indication that it is a regular freq check. So these items will just be omitted. On the other hand I want to thank you reporters who continually send in items for this column and in doing so, make your items worth listing. It is a pleasure to get those reports from you.

SUMMER SCHEDULE for DX NEWS.

In going over the coming months and Pops working schedule we have come up with the following dates that your "DX NEWS" will be mailed in April-May-June-July-August and the first issue in September. With my work schedule now 40 hours and I have to work out of every 5 weeks, 3 Friday and Saturdays from 4PM to Midt, I have omitted those weeks in order to be sure of Saturday morning mailings. So you will have to keep an eye for the different EDITOR's deadlines because they might not conform with the mailing dates listed below.

April 2nd and 17th May 15th; June 19th July 17th Aug 14th.

To the Different Editor's. If the above dates do not coincide with your doings, make your deadlines any time you wish and send the stencils to me here in Buffalo when they are ready and they will be included in the DX NEWS that is mailed following your deadline. The reason Aug 14th was picked was for Pop to get in all the final information regarding the convention over the Labor Day week-end. By that time Joe and Marty Brauner will give me everything necessary to pass on to you members. Oh yes the Sept issue (1st one) will be on the 4th.

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"DX DOWN THE DIAL--WESTERN STYLE"

- 520 3AR Melbourne, Victoria heard at 4:45AM, Sat. 3/13. (Critchett)
- 590 3YA Christchurch, N.Z. logged 3/15 from 5:20 to 6:AM with perfect signal at times. (Cameron) Ed. notes: First, are N.Z. S/off's changed from 5:30AM? Secondly, no KGPH? I hope!
- 750 ??? Note here from Mike Ferguson to effect that TIWX is usually at about 757kc/s which would knock my tentative Id. into a "cocked hat"; This L/A heard after "Radio Caracas" S/off time, so --Is LS4 on 24 hours? Hi! (Miller)
- 354 OAX4A Lima, Peru was heard last season in the Far West at 6:AM S/en; maybe some of you might log 'em on a Mon. AM with KOA silent---???? (Miller)
- 360 GJBC Toronto, Ont. heard at 11:30PM, Sun. 3/14. (Critchett) Ed. Note: Through XEMD, Jim? Whoa--don't shoot!
- 1230 KELY Ely, Nev. said F/c at 4:45AM, Mon. 3/13. (Critchett)
- 1340 KMYR Denver, Colo. announce as "On all night"; heard Mon. AM, 3/15. (Critchett & Cameron). Goodbye 1340 DX! -Ed.
- 1360 WOBS Jacksonville, Fla. ran 10 minute ET at 4:37AM, 3/14, during WLYN-DX. Very good signal from WOBS. (Cameron)
- WSAI Cincinnati, Ohio ran short ET at 4:14AM, 3/14, this also being during WLYN-DX. (Cameron)
- 400 KBMI Henderson, Nev. announced "Nighthawk Show", 3:-9:AM Sat., 3/13. Not heard Mon. AM. (Critchett)
- 1410 2KO NEWCASTLE, NEW SOUTH WALES HEARD WEAKLY AT 4:30AM, SAT., 3/13. (Critchett). Listed as 500watts! Very Nice---Ed.
- 1420 CKOM Saskatoon, Sask. heard over KSTN testing at 4:32AM, 3/13. (Critchett). Preparing for r/s on 1420, I assume. ---Ed.
- 1440 KEYD Minneapolis, Minn. ran short ET at 4:05AM, 3/13, during WGCC-DX program. (Cameron & Critchett)
- 1450 "FEN" Sendai, Japan AFRS announced as 1450 & 1570 at 5:25AM, 3/13. Gave time as 7:25. (Critchett)
- KVEN Ventura, Calif. S/off at 5:07AM, Sat., 3/13. (Critchett)

FREQUENCY CHECKS HEARD AS LISTED:

2nd SAT: KBRO; 3rd MON: KFRL, KXLJ, KAWT(M), & KOBE (T). All Critchet

"DX" PROGRAMS

Jim Critchett heard WGCC & KVOZ DXes;

Gene Cameron heard WGCC, WLYN, KVOZ, & CKLC. A very tentative report to WOXF, through KMYR. WNRC may have gotten through with 3 songs, but no identification heard. WEAW also a maybe; a couple records heard through KFAC; not impossible may have been the Cuban.

"Hit's & Misses"---Gene Cameron wishes me to send along note that he is working about 70 hours a week at the present, so his DX time is rather abbreviated; also, please pardon lack of answer to some letters!

An idea here for the "FWS" of the SECOND "DX NEWS" of APRIL---How about all of you NRC DXers sending in a list to me of your "TOP 5" verifications? Might note power, if different than current (for instance, WNOE-250watts, and current WNOE would be two catches of entirely different color). How about it---A.C.; R.H.; H.S.; K.R.; G.W.; J.E.; and all you others whose initials I haven't taken time to list? This could be interesting!

Whoops---almost forgot; a few VERIFICATIONS reported to the "FWS": RITCHETT: KTIB, WKKO, KFKW; CAMERON: KNDC, KLUK, KFKW, KIUL, GJIB, KOOS, TIB; MILLAR: KWIE, WENR. Your "Ed." anxiously awaiting veries (I hope) from a number of unverified countries such as Taiwan, Ryukus, Costa Rica, Peru, & Colombia.

NOW---MAY I DRAW THE ATTENTION OF ALL TO THE FACT THAT THE "TP"s from "Down-under" are coming in; may not last long, so let's see what can be logged. Don't necessarily need clear channels, for TPs have been heard through such as WOR, WJR, CKLW, etc. DEADLINES for all issues of "DX NEWS" remains TUE. A.M., prior to Sat. of issue. Let's hear from U!

INTERNATIONAL DX DIGEST

Edited by: Fred L. VanVoorhees, Box 132, Lemoyne, Pennsylvania, U.S.A.
 Having missed last week, there is a lot to be told this week. If I have missed some of it in the confusion, please forgive me, and if it was important, send it again. Don't forget to send those lists of foreign non-verifiers, as we want to get the list compiled in order to get help as soon as possible. Send me a list of your genuine delinquent foreign reports. We will then publish this list, and anyone who has a recent verie will send in signer, address, and any other details which might help get a verie. Now for the DX news.

NORTH AMERICA

CUBA--RA reports an air mail verie from CMBC (690) Havana, with signer as Domingo Fernandez, Gerente. CMS also has a verie in from CMBC. CMS reports another verie in, this one from CMCF. RA notes that CMW (550) is now using musical background on all-night time-giving program. Copied on 3/1 at 0355. RHM reports a sort of a mystery on 760 Kcs. At 2359 on 3/4 a Latin was on top of 760 with a slow 3 gong identification. This at a time when Cubans and SE USA stations were not being heard on other frequencies. RHM says he can place nothing here other than CMAB. Wonders if anyone can help on the 3-tone gong as to whether it really was CMAB. How about it, you Latin experts?

COSTA RICA--TIWG (1040) San Jose, apparently was the Latin under WHO newscast from 0001-0006 on 3/2. Can't figure anyone else on at this hour, as RIST is not here any more. TIWX (750) San Jose is believed to be the Latin QRMing WSB at 0015 on 3/2, and later. This was well past the usual 2330 sign-off of YVKS. (RHM)

GUATEMALA--QSL card in from TOW (840) signed by Carlos Alberto Marrequin G. (Oficial Encargado de Reportes). Report was sent via air mail on 10/7/53. (RHM) RHM also notes that TGJ (880) is about the most frequent and best Central American now being heard. HT adds news of his verie from TGAX (950) Guatemala City, air mail letter verie signed by Alejandro Quinonez A., Director. HT notes a correction to Weyrich log: TGAX, "Radio Continental", 950 Kcs., (TGAX 6150 Kc.) new address is 5a Calle Oriente, No. 50 or Apartado Postal 46.

MEXICO--Mexico comes into the news this week. First from HT news of a verie from XELX (1380) Mexico City, signed by Dr. Fernando Gonzalez O., Gerente. "Radio Femenina", address Paseo de la Reforma No. 20, (Primer piso). No other veries reported, but RHM notes the following interior Mexicans on top of channels that usually have Western Canadians on top: XEQR (1030) Mexico City, XEWA (540) San Luis Potosi, XEW (900) Mexico City, and XEB (1220) Mexico City. Two other Mexicans have been logged, RA getting XEBG (1550) S-9 until 0356 sign-off on 3/1; and CMS with XEDW (1265) Winititlan at 2215 on 2/18.

EL SALVADOR--This country hits the news this week with a card from SM mailed in San Salvador on 3/6 in which he states "My friend Meardi of YSDF has promised faithfully to send the veries for the special as soon as possible." None here yet, but we hope Steve had the right word. While in the country, CMS noted that YSEB is back on 1070 Kcs. even.

PANAMA--Some fellows do get good veries, and EG is one with HQV (1025) which verified with a packet containing a verie letter, 4 photos of David, a collection of cancelled stamps, and an Esso road map of Panama and Central America. Slogan is "La Voz del Baru".

PUERTO RICO--No one is reporting a verie from WWW, but JA has one back from WKJB (710) logged on 2/8 0515-0530; verie is signed by Henry F. schbach, Chief Engineer.

JAMAICA--JA is the first one to report logging of "Radio Jamaica" on the 1180 Kcs. frequency. He had it at 2030 on 3/3.

GREENLAND*-Our last North American news comes from JA who received a mimeographed letter from Godthaab (633) with information about the station, but no mention whether his report was correct or not. He will try writing again.

SOUTH AMERICA

COLOMBIA*-Just about the most reported country in South America is Colombia. HH reports a mystery during early mornings on 1475 Kcs. Call sounds like "Radio Continella" and he wonders if it is HJAL "Radio Sincelejo", listed as 1460 Kcs. Station announces as being in Colombia. Any help? HJCZ is still verifying (710 Kcs.-Bogota) and has recently verified for JH on 2/8 and for FW on 2/27. Still talking about veries, HT reports that HJEK (1430) Talua has finally rubber-stamped and signed an International Reply Card; signature looks like Pedro Alvarado F. (His 11th Colombian) Last verie reported is from HJKM (740) "Radio Capital" and is reported by KG. CMS had a couple of new loggings in HJAG (1364) Cartago on 2/22 at 2100, and HJBC (1265) Cucuta on 2/23 at 2200. RHM is still listening to a Latin under and sometimes on top of KDKA on 1020 Kcs. He thinks it is HJCE, Bogota, as it is heard past 2330, probably sign-off time of YVRL. Also wonders about HOU also listed on 1020 Kcs. RHM reports no word from a tentative report airmailed to HJEL (1210) Cali on 11/14/53.

BRAZIL*-CMS has a verie to report in ZYR7, signed by Ary Leite, Bureau de Informacoes ao Estrangeiro. JA reports unbelievable early evening reception of PRG 2 (1040) Radio Tupi, Sao Paulo. First noted battling with WHO around 2000 on 2/21, then on 2/22 overrode bad static and WHO and was in clear with strong signal from 1915-2000 with several positive identifications. Has been heard nearly every evening since then, usually behind WHO, but dominated channel on occasions. Also noted PRG9 (1100) behind WTAM at 2200 on 3/2 and PRE9 (1200) behind WOAI around 2000 lately. PRI3 (880) heard signing on at 0403 on 2/8 with anthem. (All this from JA)

TRINIDAD*-JA has finally logged "Radio Trinidad" (790) at 0515-0530 on 2/14. Verified promptly, back in 9 days.

VENEZUELA*-Some news from here. First a verie from YVLL (1020) Caracas "Radio Rumbos", Apartado 2618. Operator short wave YVLK-4970. Fine large printed card verie, printed 1030 Kcs., but filled in 1020 in ink along with reception date, 12/25/51. (HT) Also in the verie line KG reports a packet in from YVMR (1250) "Radio Popular" containing a 2-page verie letter, QSL card, holiday card, and pennant. KG also reports hearing YVKS (750) "Radio Caracas" with carnival program on 3/2 from 0215-0231 sign-off. And he heard YVKG "Ondas Populares" now operating on 950 Kcs. (From 960) ran about 10 minutes longer on the same morning. Finally YVMR (1475) Barquisimeto, was reported on 2/23 at 2030 by CMS.

ECUADOR*-There is still hope for those of us who do not have our veries back from HCJB. JH reports that he has just received his. Your editor and Brother Conley are still waiting.

PERU*-Just one item from RHM who reports that OAX4X (783) Lima is tentatively identified as the Latin just above WBBM logged at his place on 3/9 from 2345-2400.

URUGUAY*-To round out South America, HH reports that CW1 (545) was heard on 2/18 with U. S. popular tunes and identification between each two selections. Said it is heard almost every evening, but best after 2300.

EUROPE

CZECHOSLOVAKIA*-Bratislava (1097) has apparently been sending out veries, as both HH and RA report receiving them. Both were definite and RA reports receiving 3 photo cards too. Signer of both was J. Masok.

FRANCE*-More veries coming in. RA received one from Lyon (602) signed by the Ingenieur en Chef. HH reports his in from Strasbourg

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(1160), his 15th from France. KG also received one from Strasbourg, but for 1277 Kcs, and from the "Services de L'Exploitation, 107 rue de Grenelle, Paris 7^e". Report had gone directly to Strasbourg. And finally from France, a letter verio in from Paris (863), quite definite replacing last year's form letter for CMS.

ENGLAND-*--CMS reports a verio letter in from the BBC for 1546 and 647 frequencies. Says usual BBC type. JA and MF both have comments about BBC verios. JA says he has received a rather puzzling letter from BBC regarding reception fo Russian language program on 647 Kcs. 2345-2400 on 1/8. States in part "647 Kc. carries from 6 PM local time until midnight the Third Programme of the BBC, but this wave-length is used during the daytime by the BBC European service and it was undoubtedly this transmission which you heard. This frequency is also shared with the Russian station at Simferopol in the Crimea, and probably this accounts for the Russian language transmission you heard". Now, since it was not daytime, GMI, what did JA hear? What is your guess? MF's letter concerned the 1457 Kcs, frequency and says that he listed light music when they are normally playing it and news during the time of a newscast, so "most likely" he was receiving them. Signed by J. Siller. Apparently they don't keep individual titles, as Mike reported two definite ones.

PORTUGAL-*--News all concerns "Radio Nacional" (665) Lisbon. It was logged by RA at 1840 on 3/11 and also verified by MF with two identical cards the same day.

GERMANY-*--JA reports a letter confirming his reception of BFN group on 1214 Kcs, from 0115-0130 on 12/19, signed by S. B. Duke, Major RARO Technical Officer, BFN. Also enclosed program bulletin and returned his IRC. CMS also reports this verio. Our Fred Anderson is now Chief Engineer at AFN Munich, APO 108, New York, New York, and he would like reports. Schedule is 6 AM to 2 AM local time with 100 Kw. on 548 Kcs. Fred was surprised at the number of reports at Stuttgart. He will personally verify reports to Munich now. RA has a verio to report from VOA-Stuttgart (1106) signed by Roger Leggo. He also has heard NWDR (1586) on 3/10 and 3/11. RIM has now had his letter from this station translated and finds that it is definitely a verio. He considers this his top BCB verio and wonders if anyone else in the Western U. S. has Germany verified. Now KG reports a packet received from Der Bayerischer Rundfunk containing a verio letter and QSL card for the low-powered stations on 1484 Kcs. also a listing of all West German stations, 2 weekly program schedules, and a magazine "Bayerland" with description and photos of the BR network. Synchronized on 1484 Kc are 2 Kw stations at Augsburg, Coburg, Landslut, Passau, Regensburg, and Wurzburg, a 1 Kw. station at Weiden, and a .4 Kw. station at Kempten. KG also reports a QSL card from Munich (800) and a verio letter in English from Osterloog (1295).

EIRE-*--Only one note here, a verio in from Athlone "Radio Eireann" received by KG. Whoops, almost overlooked the fact that JA also has a verio from Athlone, enclosing minute by minute log of programs broadcast on 12/28 and 12/29.

HUNGARY-*--Only one note here is a Photo QSL from Budapest II which was received by KG. (1187 Kcs.)

NORWAY-*--Several verios received from here this week, all included program schedules. JA received them from Finnmark (701) and Stavanger (1313) and KG from Frederikstad (LKF) (1578).

ITALY-*--Again news of verios, this time for 656 Kc. synch group by HH, a map card, and cards by JA for 656 and 1115 groups. RA says that Rome II (845) was again heard evenings between 3/8 and 3/11.

SPAIN-*--another verio, this one by JA from Madrid (737), a card for his 42nd country and 47th European verio, all since September. (A lot of nice DXing there in that record-FV)

AUSTRIA-*More veries, a letter in German from RWH Linz (773) by HH and JA. Signer not readable. Card and letter from Graz-Dobl (1025) signed by Ing. W. Walzel, also by HH and JA. JA has a third in English from Vienna (755) to round out the country.

MOLDAVIAN S. S. R.*-HH has a rare verie, from "Radio Moscow" confirming his reception of the transmission received on 1/1 over Kishinev on 998 Kcs. Signed by I. Petrov.

LITHUANIAN S. S. R.*-Another Iron Country verie in, this time by CMS for Kovno (1385). HW asks for an address for this station. To where did you send your report, Staff?

POLAND*-HW reports a verie from Warsaw (737). HH also has it and says beautiful card, likewise one from Warsaw (818). Title of signer is Chief Editor. KG has card, letter, and program schedule from Torun/Wroclaw (1367) mailed from Warsaw.

SWITZERLAND*-KG reports verie cards from Sottens (764) and from Beromunster (529). The Beromunster card was accompanied by a friendly letter in English describing the three Swiss medium-wave transmitters.

ROMANIA*-HH reports logging Timisoara II (755) on 2/2 from 2313-2335. RA received a verie from Bucharest I (854) via registered air-mail for New Years Eve program. Signer is J. Cruscescu, Foreign Relations Dept.

BULGARIA*-HH has a beautiful card from Radio Sofia (821) no signer.

SCOTLAND*-HH reports finally logging the stations on 809 Kcs. from 0130-0205 on 2/8.

ENGLAND*-Forgot this one in the right place. HH reports his last European logged this season was Brookmans Park (908) from 0130-0215 on 2/12.

AFRICA

ALGERIA*-As we turn to Africa, the news is mostly of verifications, very important and most interesting. KG has a card from Constantine I (1142) and RA has one for Oran I-Bene (1484) for reception of 2/16/53. Was verified previously from the Paris office who told him it was Oran I and not French synch. stations. Power is 1200 watts.

FRENCH MOROCCO*-Still talking about veries, one for KG from Sebba Aolun (701) same as previously reported in the DIGEST. RA has one too, signed by the Ingenieur En Chef.

TANGIER*- "Radio Africa" is in the news this week with veries to KG and JA. KG also received the usual QSL and photo cards from "Radio International" (1232). "Radio Africa" was JA's 9th African.

ASIA

CHINA*-We have news of one of the prize veries of the season this week from GA. He has received one from "Radio Peking" (640), a confirmation card and also a letter. The card is a picture of the Tatung Stone Buddha, and the letter is signed by Cheng Chang-feng. A very friendly letter.

JAPAN*-For the information of all, according to a recent item in the FAR WEST SECTION, it is JOHB, Sendai, Japan, that is operating on 1090 Kcs., with 10 Kw. JOHB is WHK and has been listed as 990 Kcs. (RHM)

TAIWAN*-Letter in from the Broadcasting Corp. of China (Signed by Shelley Lowe, Acting Gen. Mgr.) to the effect that they have discontinued use of 670 Kcs. This would be BED2. (RHM) Roy has sent back a follow-up on his tentative logging of BED24 on 1040 Kcs. and an inquiry report on his 830 Kc. mystery Asiatic, which might be the new frequency of BED2. Old schedule would check OK with his logging. And this just about wraps up the Asiatic news for this week. We have never had a lot, but some prize Asiatic veries have been received in the United States this past season.

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AUSTRALIA*-First some official news from our official South Pacific observer, JF. He reports that 4AT (800) is now operating on this frequency, as is 7QT operating on 720 Kcs. and 2NM in operation on 1460 Kcs., the latter with 500 watts. 3WR (1600) has another change in that the call has been changed now to 3NE. 2NX (1360) Bolwarra, has been well received in the US by FV, by CMS on 2/18 at 0400, by RL on 2/18 also who has his verie back. Address is 2NX-2NM, Box 501F, Newcastle, New South Wales. Same card will verify both stations 2NX with 2 Kw., and 2NM with 500 watts. Now rather than take each station we will check each report and report what is being heard by each reporter. First CMS with 2NX, and 3NZ (1190) Inverell on 3/4 at 0445. Next WR reports 2WL (1430), 3CV (1440), and 2CN (1540). RL reports in addition to 2NX, 2LF, (1370) Lithgow which has verified; 2NM (1460) possibly; 2QN (1520) Deniliquin, and 4QB (910) Pialba. Others heard but not needed were 3LO, 2WL, 4BK, 2MW, and 4QG. One on 830, but not enough for identification as yet. List from MF shows 3LO (870) 3/6 0440-0525; 3GI (830) on 3/6; 4QS (750) 0408-0439 on 3/8, but ABC network; 2WL (1430) heard but no report; 3AR (620) on 3/6; 4QG (790) on 3/8; and 2CO (670) copied and reported 0455-0549, but on network program. Last list is from RA who lists 2CR (550) 0544-0617 on 3/7; 3AR (620) 0530-0534 when US carrier on; 2CO (670) 0404-0508 on 3/8; 3GI (830) 0408-0502 on 3/8. Others well heard on 3/8 were 4QG (790), 2NX (1360), 4MK (1380), 2KO (1410), 2WL (1430), 2MW (1440), 2QN (1520), and 2CN (1540).

NEW ZEALAND*-New Zealanders are also coming in well with RA reporting the following list: 2YA (570) on 3/8 from 0350-0444. Others well heard on 3/8 were 2YC (660), 3YA (690), 4YA (780), 1YZ (800), 1YC (880), and 3YC (960). MF lists 1YC (880) most Mondays but with WWL slopover; 3YA (690) on 3/8 when KGPH not on; 4YA (780) very good on 3/8 between blasts from WBBM carrier; 2XP (1370) faint on 3/8; and 2YC (660) as early as 0220 on 3/8. WR adds 1YZ (800) on 3/8 at 0420-0445. Incidentally 3/8 was apparently a top TP morning. Even your editor managed to log 2WL that morning. Almost forgot the official news from JF. He says that 2XM (1180) Gisbourne, reports that they have equipment on hand for a 500 to 800 watt transmitter. Jack says he is a bit dubious, as he has heard that the Government was trying to purchase the station.

HAWAII*-CMS reports logging KILA (850) Hilo on 2/22 at 0300. WR thinks he had KANI (1150) from 0330-0400 on 3/8.

JOHNSTON ISLAND*-CMS feels that he may have logged WVTV (1250) tentatively at 0410 on 3/4. Says he is almost positive/

MYSTERY AND MISCELLANEOUS

To Gene Allen, YSS QSE card has no signature and carries no QRA other than YSS Radiodifusora Nacional, "Alma Cuscateca", San Salvador, Rep. de El Salvador. Mine is a photo of the Palacio Nacional.

MF asks about a Latin heard on 880 Kcs. on 3/8 from 0300 on. Seemed to say "Radio Rumbos". MF also heard a station QRMing 200 on 670 the morning of 3/8. Wonders if any noticed, or if it can be identified.

MF also asks about a Latin Monday mornings on 780 Kcs. in Spanish or Portuguese at 0330 with some U. S. Tunes.

RHM has one on 1180 Kcs. definitely a Latin, heard 3/10 at 0015 and on top. This is after TC's listed sign-off, so he wonders if anyone can help with the identity.

One last item here is that your editor hopes that all of you who were listening to WOXF (1340) on 3/15 from 0400-0415, also noticed that WSTA was testing under him. If you needed WSTA, this was about the best chance to log him in a long time. Positively identified as Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands. Used toag.

Don't get frightened. Page 6 is mostly so that you fellows who were kind enough to report during the past three weeks will get your names listed here. The list is a long one, so here goes:

REPORTERS

- MF-Mike Ferguson, 3337 Prospect, Houston 4, Texas.
 GA-Gene Allen, 1013 Mariposa Street, Vallejo, California.
 WR-J. Warren Routzahn, 231 South West Street, York, Pennsylvania.
 JF-Jack F. Fox, 9 Mulford Street, Concord, Dunedin S.W.2, New Zealand.
 RL-Relfe Luton, Route #1, Elizabeth City, North Carolina.
 RHM-Roy H. Millar, P. O. Box 754, Bellevue, Washington.
 HH-Hank Holbrook, 4710 Edgemoor Lane #105, Bethesda 14, Maryland.
 JH-Jack Hathaway, 44 Garden Manor, Rantoul, Illinois.
 FW-Frank Wheeler, Box 176, R. D. 5, Erie, Pennsylvania.
 CMS-C. M. Stanbury II, Box 218, Crystal Beach, Ontario, Canada.
 SM-Steve Mann, 192 Staab Lane, Westbury, N. Y. (Reporting from San Salvador, El Salvador)
 HW-Harold Wagner, R. D. #1, North Girard, Pennsylvania.
 HT-Henry Tyndall, 285 North Street, Burlington, Vermont.
 KG-Kermit Geary, R. F. D. #2, Walnutport, Pennsylvania.
 SJ-Steve Johnson, Box 145, Havre de Grace, Maryland.
 JA-J. P. Alexander, 2301 Jefferson Avenue, St. Albans, West Virginia.
 HSW-Harold S. Williams, 50 Third Avenue, Seymour, Connecticut.
 RA-Roger Anderson, 5700 Eighth Road North, Arlington 5, Virginia.

Other communications which were not exactly reports were received from the following. Will try to answer letters soon, and other matters are being taken care of as quickly as possible. Thanks to the following for letters and cards:

- Harry J. Hibbard, 21 Willard Street, New Bedford, Massachusetts.
 Carl E. Parsons, Jr., 2001 Central Drive North, East Meadow, New York.
 Peter Bretz, Park Trail, Croton-on-Hudson, New York.
 Ray B. Edge, 325 Shirley Avenue, Buffalo 15, New York.
 Carroll Seth, 41 Marigold Avenue, Buffalo 15, New York.

After seeing this list, I hope you can appreciate why I don't always get letters answered as quickly as I'd like. With the DIGEST going off the weekly schedule soon, we should be able to get more letters answered. Then in a couple of weeks, we will be finished writing DX reports, and that will free another evening a week. There is really hope.

Now, please get your lists on non-verifying foreigners in to me right away so that we can compile one large list for all of us to work on. This will be a means by which we can all help each other.

I'll still be glad to hear from anyone else who shares the two hobbies of railroads and DXing. Our little "club" consists of about five members so far.

That about covers the news from here for this week. Future deadlines at Lemoyne will be as follows: March 24; March 31; April 14; May 12; June 16; and July 14 unless you are told otherwise. 73 .

Edited by
 Hank Ward
 404 North 14th
 Ponca City, Oklahoma



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FCC INFORMATION

Construction Permits

Call	Channel	Location	Power	Call	Channel	Location	Power
—	2	Great Bend, Kas.	100	—	12	M. Palm Beach, Fla.	50.12
—	3	Wilmington, N.C.	6.03	—	13	Stockton, Cal.	158
—	7	Carthage, N.Y.	191	WBLK-TV	12	Clarksburg, W. Va.	4.3
—	7	Rapid City, S.D.	11.2	—	14	Modesto, Cal.	20.4
—	8	Selma, Ala.	2.51	—	16	El Centro, Cal.	21.9
—	8	Charleston, N. Va.	316	—	16	Mausau, Wisc.	22.4
—	10	El Dorado, Ark.	2.82	WOSA-TV	16	Chicago, Ill.	204
—	31	Slyria, Ohio	96	—	44		
—	50	Washington, D.C.	22.9				

Delete

KCHP	8	Billings, Mont.	WGIC-TV	46	Durham, N.C.
WRF-TV	38	Lewistown, Pa.	KVIE	48	San Jose, Calif.
KFTV	30	Baton Rouge, La.	WRFV-TV	50	Marion, Va.
WHP-TV	52	Benton Harbor, Mich.	KSPJ	62	Alexandria, La.

Call Letters

WBRZ	2	Baton Rouge, La.	KFTV	4	Siox City, Iowa
WIVO	3	Kirtsville, Mo.	WDEF-TV	12	Chattanooga, Tenn.
WGEO	5	Enid, Okla.	WQED	13	*Oklahoma City, Okla.
WGKB-TV	7	Tyler, Texas	WADN-TV	17	Camden, N.J.
WISH-TV	8	Indianapolis, Ind.	WTLF	18	Baltimore, Md.
WGT	8	La Crosse, Wisc.	WRY-TV	19	Cleveland, Ohio
WALB-TV	10	Albany, Ga.	KUSH	21	San Diego, Calif.
WTTW	11	*Chicago, Ill.	KVDO	22	Corpus Christi, Texas
WTLN-TV	11	Durham, N.C.	WFL	33	Miami, Fla.
			KTLC	43	Corpus Christi, Texas

WATE	6	Knoxville, Tenn.	from WROL-TV
KVVG	37	Tulare, Calif.	from KCOA-TV
KBAK-TV	29	Bakersfield, Cal.	from KAFY-TV
QXL	41	Louisville, Ky.	from WLOU-TV
QXN	54	Cincinnati, Ohio	from WCLM-TV

*denotes Educational Outlet.

Bill Moser, 217 Conneltsville, Uniontown, Penna.: No DXing here at all as antennas are being worked on. WQED* 13 will be on the air when you read this. WTRF-TV 7 goes to 316 kHz 5/20. 3/15 the CBS version of "Today" brings many new stations to the air at 7 a.m.

Pvt. Barry Foote, 273 North Ave., Weston 93, Mass.: Used some of my leave time to install a TV rotor which brought a new one here - WRCB Schenectady Ch. 6. They have shown up here several times since, but with a very poor picture and QRI from WOSH-TV Portland, also recently added. The unit seems to be the answer to UHF. The new WOR-TV Worcester Ch. 14 puts in a fine picture, but our local WTAO-TV Ch. 56 is still in a blizzard. Have hopes the new WPEP Providence Ch. 16 due first week in March shows here. Logged an unidentified FM tone signal on 90.5 mc. which ran four hours with no announcements during the afternoon of 2/9. Station located about 40 miles N.W. of Weston; perhaps near Fitchburg. FCC Monitor notified. Well, back to the salt mines. So long for a while. (Sorry this didn't make last issue Barry. I air mailed it to Buffalo to try and catch up with my copy, but it hit there late too. Included F.I. data in hopes you'll have a follow-up on the report from the FCC Monitor and a reaction. Hank.)

THE TV DX CONTEST IS IN THE MILL AND WE HOPE TO HAVE NEWS, ETC. ON THIS SUBJECT IN NEXT MONTH'S TV DXER. OUTLOOK LOOKS GOOD AND TV DX FORECASTERS PREDICT BARRIER YEAR!

Harry J. Hibbard, 21 Willard St., New Bedford, Mass.: Attached please find a TV DX report on the VHF bands only. Haven't done a thing on the UHF bands due to the fact that I am over 60 miles away from the nearest UHF station. Have spent a lot of money in the last 5 years on TV sets, boosters and antennas. For a set I am using a new 21" Philco TV Console, that is new last year, their top grade set. For VHF-TV reception I find an Inline allwave stacked with an Alliance DeLuxe Rotor the tops in antennas. The Inline allwave is turned by a rotor while the stacked Yagis for Channel 7 are beamed in a fixed position. For inside I have another stacked Inline allwave antenna, also a stacked folded dipole cut for Channels 7-13. I do very well on DX with both the inside and outside antennas. Now on the matter of boosters on the older type sets, "Yes." On the new sets they are no good. They create too much snow. I learned this the hard way by buying and trying. On the older type sets I found the static "Channel Chief" four tubes, the best. As a suggestion, how about these fellows who are pulling in DX on the UHF bands give the mileage from the UHF station and the name the UHF Converter used and the type of antenna used. (Fine with me Harry, if the boys'll give it, I'll run it. I have urged right along to send along every scrap of information of that nature that might benefit others. I for one feel Equipment "tips" are just as important to our hobby as DX "tips." H.) Stations received on the VHF bands on Saturday and Sunday nights, Feb. 20th and 21st with very little snow on both nights and with no booster were:

Channel	2	WJZ-TV	Boston, Mass.	60 miles from New Bedford, Mass.
"	7	WJAC-TV	Boston, Mass.	60 "
"	10	WJAR-TV	Providence, R. I.	40 "
"	6	WOSH-TV	Portland, Maine	140 "
"	8	WABC-TV	New Haven, Conn.	110 "
"	3	WITZ-TV	Philadelphia, Pa.	259 "
"	6	WPHL-TV	Philadelphia, Pa.	259 "
"	2	WCBS-TV	New York, N. Y.	178 "
"	4	WNET-TV	New York, N. Y.	178 "
"	5	WCBD-TV	New York, N. Y.	178 "
"	7	WCOC-TV	New York, N. Y.	178 "
"	9	WGR-TV	New York, N. Y.	178 "
"	11	WPIX-TV	New York, N. Y.	178 "
"	13	WATV	New York, N. Y.	178 "

WJZ-TV Milwaukee, Wisconsin on Channel 3 received only ONCE. That was last summer, one Sunday at 11:30 a.m. Used to get WABC-TV New Haven, Conn. a lot when they were on Channel 6. They are now on Channel 8. WJZ-TV is 900 miles from here.

Stan Morss, R-3, Bradford, Mass.: WITZ-3 reported 2/20 8:30-10 p.m. also seen were WOH-9, WPIX-11, WJZ-5 and WCBS-2. A verie from WITZ would give me 10 veries and 7 states on TV. Haven't reported my 3 locals yet. (Appears 2/20-21 were hot in the East, at least in Massachusetts. Hank)

Mike Ferguson, 3337 Prospect, Houston 4, Texas sends along a clipping from the Houston Post which presents TV's "greatest mystery" to date. It is presented herewith for TV DXer's information and speculation:

"Houston's Channel 2 may be involved in a mystery rivaling that of the flying saucer for sheer incredibility, Paul Hunkorff, chief engineer of KJAC-TV, said. It began in Sept. 1953, when KJAC-TV received a letter and photograph, addressed to KLEE-TV, from a Charles W. Tatley, of London, England. Mr. Tatley reported that the photograph was of a picture he took of his television screen with an ordinary box camera. The picture apparently showed the station identification of KLEE. It is unusual but not incredible for a TV signal to reach England from the United States. What is incredible, however, is that KLEE-TV has not been on the air since July 1950. At that time KLEE-TV became KJAC-TV. The KLEE-TV signal was received and photographed again on Jan. 8, 1954, by Atlantic Electronics, Ltd. of Lancaster, England. Letters from Mr. Tatley and Atlantic Electronics indicated that Channel 2, in Houston, was picked up in England many times between Sept. 1, 1953 and Jan. 8, 1954. Were the signals actually sent out by KLEE-TV before July, 1950, and received

(KLEF mystery cont.) nearly 4,000 miles away in 1950? "Impossible," Dr. Thomas W. Bonner, professor of physics at Rice Institute, said flatly when informed of the photo prints and correspondence. "Such a signal could not have been received even five minutes after it was transmitted," Dr. Bonner said. He said there was no similarity between the present instance and an experiment made shortly after World War II in which an impulse was bounced off the moon and detected on earth. "It took a great deal of special equipment to do that," he said, "and the impulse returned in a couple of seconds." Mr. Huhndorff is not so certain. He has several explanations, one prosaic, another fantastic. "The signal may be being sent out by an amateur using unauthorized call letters," he said. "I have looked through the records and KLEF-TV is not assigned to any station in the world." Another theory of Mr. Huhndorff's is not quite so mundane. "Maybe the signal hit a celestial body two light years away and was reflected. It would take the signal two years each way to make the round trip. His third theory is even more fantastic. Mr. Huhndorff offered this more as a question than as a flat statement, however. "Why couldn't it be possible that some form of reasoning being received the KLEF-TV signal on another planet and beamed it back to us here on earth?" he asked. Is it a hoax, some electronic wizard's practical joke, a signal from another planet or does it merely prove not only that old television signals never die, they don't even fade away?—David Westheimer, Lost TV-Radio Editor. Mike adds in a later letter on 3/4: Regarding those ghost pictures that I sent you a clipping about, the thing is still a deep mystery here and even deeper than before. Now several people in the deep pine woods in East Texas report that they've seen those ghost images recently. What an odd thing! (Light, Mike. If anything further comes of it, let us know. Hank.)

Gil Harris, 217 East Main Street, North Adams, Mass., sends along information that WAST-TV, Pittsfield, Mass., Channel 7-1 is now on the air as of 2/22 and earlier with test patterns and "bonus" programs. Their transmitter you will recall, is atop Mt. Greylock at an elevation 5600 feet above sea level. They advertise as "Highest Transmitter Elevation East of the Mississippi." Gil also sends info that WMA-TV Manchester, N. H. on Channel 9 expects to get underway with commercial programming late this month. (Thanks, Gil, good to hear from you. Hank.)

I would like to acknowledge some very interesting correspondence with Bob Cooper of Lafayette, California. Bob is the editor and founder of the American Ionospheric Propagation Association and his bulletins are timely and informative. By the time you read this, Bob will probably be a full-fledged M.C. Perhaps one of the most interesting features of his bulletin are the Sporadic E predictions, and he is willing to present them to the TV Mer for inclusion each month. Their accuracy is quite phenomenal. Herewith is his prediction for Spring Sporadic E Skip:

"According to some rather figuring of some experts, this Spring will be a big one. and I am rather inclined to agree with them. Also according to many current cycles, May will be a big month. In fact it might be the big month of the year. Look for skip to start opening up around the first of April in many sections. By the time June rolls around things should really be hot! Be sure to keep your eyes open for Sporadic E clouds. If one exists in the right spot, you may get almost constant reception from a station or group of stations over a skip distance for a two or three day period. I know, I have seen it happen. To summarize, this is the year when we are at the bottom of the Sun Spot cycle and anything can happen."

Should any of you be further interested in the A.I.A., details may be had from:

American Ionospheric Propagation Association
c/o Robert D. Cooper
1016 Sunnybrook Drive
Lafayette, California.

Bob has some very interesting experiments he is conducting in connection with the California State Science Show, as well as other projects, and his contributions will be most helpful and informative to all of us. So, one of those rousing M.C. welcomes to Bob Cooper, who incidentally should about bring the Coopers in the M.C. up to an even count with the Johnson's. Hi.

Hank Holbrook, 4710 Edgemoor Lane #105, Bethesda 1., Md.: Never thought I'd be sending a report to the TV section. Just recently purchased a RCA 17" TV set covering VHF Channels. I live in an apartment so am forced to be satisfied with an indoor antenna and am using a Tricraft #600 Video antenna. This is a punk location for DX since Bethesda is a suburb of Washington, D. C. and local stations not only tie up their assigned channels of 4 - 5 - 7 - and 9, but also louse up channels 6 - 8 and 10. On channels 2, 11 and 13 are Baltimore stations. Here is what DX I've had so far, I use the term DX loosely: Channel 2 WMAZ Baltimore, Md., 40 miles, usually a good picture, sound always good. Channel 3 WSAW Harrisonburg, Va., approximately 105 miles, seen many afternoons with best picture. Picture poor to fair, voice not usually heard and if heard most distorted. Channel 6 WTVR Richmond, Va., 100 miles, sometimes has good picture and voice around 9:00 a.m. before WTTG, local on 5, signs on. Also seen late at night after WTTG s/off. Channel 7, station noted here last Saturday night after WMAZ s/off. Junk picture and voice. Not identified. Channel 11, WJLA-TV, Baltimore, Md., 40 miles, with fair picture and good sound. Channel 13, WMAZ Baltimore, Md., 40 miles, sound and picture very poor as a whole. Occasionally seen well in late evening. I note that most fellows are using outdoor antennas but I would like to see what fellows have been able to receive with indoor antennas. (Geeck Harry Hibbard's remarks this issue, Hank, Hank, Hi!) also, if there is a skip would it be possible to pull DX through the Baltimore stations on Channel 2, 11 and 13? (I would say a definite "Yes" since my locals on 4 and 6 were taken clear out by the DX when it occurred and when the skip occurs, it is even possible your locals will be taken out or appreciably affected. Hank.) Am looking forward to a TV DX contest. At least I know of five out of town stations I can probably count on. What are the best TV months? (See Bob Cooper's forecast page 3, Hank. H.) Is there anyway I can stop images of local stations on the following channels? Example: WTTG on 5 messes up 6, WMAZ on 7 messes up 8, etc. (Welcome to the TV DXer Hank. Hope we'll be hearing from you often. Hank.)

Ray H. Miller, I.O. Box 754, Bellevue, Wash.: sends along info from the current "Radio Japan" handbook regarding their television service there and is herewith presented for enlightenment of all interested: "Nippon Hoso Kyokai inaugurated the first television service in the Orient in February 1953. Because it is the obligation imposed on NHK, as a public service organization, to develop its television service so as to bring the whole country under coverage just as it has done with the radio service, a five-year plan has been formulated whereby 32 television stations can be established in all the major cities of the country by March, 1958. Upon completion of this first five-year plan, 65 per cent of all the households in the country will be brought under coverage. The first step in the execution of this plan was the completion of a microwave relay link between Tokyo and Osaka through Nagoya. This link, which extends for 478.95 kilometers over rugged terrain, was successfully completed by August 1953. NHK's plan also calls for a regular service by the present experimental stations in Osaka and Nagoya in the near future. In view of the public nature of NHK's television service, news and information programs are given priority just as in the case of the radio service, but great care is taken in selecting and presenting wholesome entertainment programs that can be enjoyed by the entire family. The present ration of programs comprise 53 per cent for news and information and 47 per cent for entertainment."

TELEVISION ON STAMPS NOTE: Italy commemorated the establishment of a television network of six stations covering an area of 80,000 kilometers and an audience of 20 millions, by issue Feb. 25th of 25 and 60 lire stamps, printed in violet and deep green respectively. The design, which is the same on both stamps, shows a television set with the map of Italy appearing in the screen and a television antenna in the background. The stamps have also been overprinted 413-PTT for use in the Anglo-American Zone of Trieste.

Well, gang, that's about the size of it for this issue. Hope you all enjoy the copy and will be around next month for more. With the season soon opening up will be expecting these reports. 73's. DEADLINE FOR APRIL: SATURDAY, APRIL 10th EST. C.

Deadline for April TV-DXer is April 10th.