



DX NEWS

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STATIC FROM HQ

A special thanks to Chuck Hutton (I won't say if it's for the great bulletin you did last time or because you went back home, hi!) Seriously, thanks Very much Chuck for the work and hope you had a nice visit in Louisville. Speaking of which, the big four this week are Dave Peters, Gary Atkins and Dick Truax, in addition to yours truly. We gave poor Pat the day off due to snow, sleet, freezing rain, ice and a bunch of nasty things! At any rate, though this is the third year running we've had a major winter storm the first week in January here, this time we made it with the DX News. Speaking of news, there is not too much here, but we do hope you will support the various columns in DX News with your tips, comments and suggestions--we count on your support!

Ed

CPC TESTS

A note about the tests--there is no special CPC Committee and we hope one and all will try to arrange a test during the second half of the DX season. If you need arrangement information for a test, please write Jerry Starr at the address on the back page!

February 5 WILI-1400 Willimantic, Conn. 0100-0200 with 1 Kw. Will use tones, Monday music and lots of IDs. Reports to: Paul F. Moraghan, CE, WILI Radio, 948 Main Street, Willimantic, 06226. Prepaid calls will be accepted at 203/423-1621. Arr: Bryan Lee. (Thanks!)

February 5 WJWL-900 Georgetown, Del. 0100-0200, maybe as late as 0230. This Monday music and lots of IDs, tones & recorded music. Reports to: Stephen Wallace, CE, WJWL, Box 111, Georgetown, Del. 19947. Return postage is a must for verie! Also, only correct reports will be verified! Arr: Skip Dabelstein. (Thanks Much!)

THEY JOINED

We welcome these new members--please muse soon and introduce yourselves! Terry A. Ward, 5310 Joe Sayers #211, Austin, Texas 78756. M. Katherine Davis, 263 Congressional Lane, Apt. 109, Rockville, M.D. 20852. Michael A. Bittner, 221 36th Street, Manhattan Beach, Calif. 90266.

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The WOBGRATS (Wash.-Ore.-B.C. Radio & TV Society) Will hold a get together on Ground Hog's Day (Saturday, Feb. 3) at noon at the home of Bruce & Evelyn Portzer, 6546 19th Avenue NE, Seattle 98115. If you plan to attend or need more information, contact Bruce, Evelyn or the Penguin at 206/522-2521.

Russ Edmunds is lining up some Tests...details to be in DX News. In the meantime he tells us WBIO-1310-NJ will be running extended frequency checks on 4th Tuesday AM's 0000-???? (1/23, 2/27, 3/27, 4/24)..Format is 1000 hertz tone to 0015, followed by music and voice. Verie signer is Jerry Toro.

DOMESTIC DX DIGEST

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We are back to the Saturday deadline. Here's what we have this time.....

DX TIPS

KDLG - Not heard by ROSS, JS, ERS, EE
KABE - Brief TT 0204-0205 only by DS

FREQUENCY CHECKS

1st Fri. WFOY-1240 0010-0020 w/TT, phonetic IDs every min. (DS)
2nd Tue. WSNJ-1240 w/TT. (DS)
3rd Mon. WJDT-1470 0016-0027 atop w/TT, many IDs. (AR)

SPECIAL

1230 WFAS NY WHITE PLAINS - is now AN and calling itself "The New Twenty four hour WFAS." (ERS)

Many FPO's were noted running AN MM 12/25 Christmas morning, and most other Canadian stations seemed on past the usual s/off times. (ERS)

MIDDAY TO MIDNIGHT

580 OKAP OH KAPUSKASING - 12/9 very good 2243 w/ments. of last song before final nx @ 2245, 10 mins. of nx, then sports & wx. Ments of "Good night, see you tomorrow..." then lost to QRN, so don't know if they s/off, listed as ESP in new HRO Log. (PRM)

700 WLN OH CINCINNATI - 12/13 2130 xlt w/nx on Cleveland's financial condition. (SM)

730 OHYR7 OH LEAMINGTON - 12/18 noted s/on 1700 atop w/rr. (DS)

790 WWS FL MIAMI - 12/17 noted briefly 1726-1729 w/sports, local spot & gone at pattern switch. (DS)

870 WWL LA NEW ORLEANS - 12/24 2047-2051 xlt signal w/Dixieland Jazz version of "O Come All Ye Faithful." More Dixieland continued. (WPT)

880 KRVM NE LEXINGTON - 12/17 1950 has been clobbering WOBS recently, must be sending 5-10 KW this way. (DB)

900 WKIV TN KNOXVILLE - 12/24 1730 s/off w/SSB, au cr. (JK)

WATV AL BIRMINGHAM - 12/24 still very auroral @ 1745 w/"We invite you to join us tomorrow morning, from all of your friends at WATV," in good. (JK)

910 WJOW TN JOHNSON CITY - 12/24 dominating @ 1710 w/good signal in au cr. w/local spot, Xmas mx. (JK)

920 WMMN WV FAIRMONT - 12/10 1819 good sig. w/no sign of KDHL. (DB)

WGST GA ATLANTA - 12/3 1907 w/nx. (BL) 12/22 1808 w/wx for Atlanta area, fair sig. (WPT)

930 WLBL WI AUBURNDALE - 12/21 w/WFR programming, several IDs 1656-1715, fair but fadey. WI State Radio Network. (NZ)

950 WIBX NY UTOA - 12/13 2102 in good w/OBS Hx. (SM)

980 WRC DC WASHINGTON - 12/20 2112 good signal, but I lost important log data!!! (SM) Better luck next time buddy!!! (RA)

1050 WJXY SO CONWAY - 12/21 1714 good @ s/off by OM, then slow version of "Dixie." (WPT)

1060 KPIL MN PRESTON - 12/20 w/advertising block of about 7-8 spots 1710-1720. (NZ)

1080 WKGX NO LENOIR - 12/24 @ 1651, clears up NO for me on this freq. should be possible from this area by anyone by nulling out WTIQ, they were way behind 'em but made it. (JK)

1110 UNID -- ----- 12/16 1655 w/GOS program, "Family Life Radio" poor signal, off @ 1700. (BL) Maybe M.B.I. WMBI-1110 Moody Bible Inst....but they are GST. (RA)

OKJD ON SARNIA - 12/21 1650-1705 atop after WHIM s/off well o/WBT w/nx, OKJD IDs & promos, local phone #'s. (RA)

1130 WQAR MI DETROIT - 12/26 2303 poor u/WHEW w/nx, ID, new. (DY)

1170 WAMB TN DONELSON - 12/23 1729, w/no WWA, noted s/off, unusual to get SSS stuff on this frequency, au cr. (JK)

1190 KDAO IA MARSHALLTOWN - 12/16 1302-1308 ID w/ROL (?), also @ 1845 s/off, ments of 250W, 1st day on the air. Are they DL or D3? (DB) Sorry Doug, I should have listed this one under SPECIAL. (RA)

KNOW AR AUGUSTA - 12/23 1759 s/off, thrilled to hear this one, (JK) best SSS catch ever, only 500W w/no WOWO, au cr prevailed. Nice catch John. (RA)

1260 W_H_ -- ----- 12/13 1645 s/off sounded like WCHD/WBHD w/SSB, mentioned Radio Park. (PRM) WPHB Philipsburg, PA. (RA)

WUFE GA BAILEY - 12/28 noted 1730 s/off, calls itself "BIG WOOFIE." (ERS)

WFOO TN CHATTANOOGA - 12/28 noted 1730 s/off just before "WOOFIE" no SSB. (ERS)

WGVN MS GREENVILLE - 12/28 noted @ 1800 s/off w/ne SSB, to return @ 0600. (ERS)

1270 KSCB KS LIBERAL - 12/17 1804-1815 w/ABC Hx & Sports, then local nx, wx, fair signal on day power. (DB)

WHBO VA STUART - 12/21 atop w/good signal @ 1700 s/off. (JK)

1280 WJAY SC MULLINS - 12/17 1715 in WADO null w/s/off, WOIG-FM ments. (JK)

WSFD DE SEAFORD - 12/19 1220 Xmas mx, ID jx, then O&W mx, fair/good o/WHVR. (WPT)

WGBF IN EVANSVILLE - 12/3 1857 w/"Tri-State Report" then AT-40. (BL)

1300 WAVZ CT NEW HAVEN - 12/3 2225 xlt w/nx & area mentions. (SM)

WFER MD BALTIMORE - 12/9 1912 noted w/ID/TO, and skiing spot. (SM)

1310 WGH VA NEWPORT NEWS - 12/13 atop 1643 w/Rock, "WGH Your Music Station" ID o/several UNIDS & WCAM-NJ. (PRM)

1320 WGMA FL HOLLYWOOD - 12/16 atop 1827 w/contest promo, O&W mx, a rare catch. (JP)

1370 WSPD OH TOLEDO - 12/26 2258 poor u/WFEA w/talk, new. (DY)

1380 KNK MO ST. LOUIS - 12/11 2210-2220 strong w/Rock, no ads. Old leg sez LKW-N, if so, they must have a 9 tower DA aimed right up the Mississippi River...when did they return? (DB)

1420 WLET GA TOCOGA - 12/21 fair @ 1730 s/off by OM giving studio location, then SSB, tentative 12/4 now positively IDed. (WPT)

1430 OKFH ON TORONTO - 12/12 2110 fair/good w/continuous O&W mx. (BL)

1440 WPRS IL PARIS - 12/12 1715 w/local nx, after semi-local WPGW Portland, IN s/off. (BL)

1470 OHOW ON WELAND - 12/5 2146 in RS way o/WSAN. (SM)

WVAN PA ALLENTOWN - 12/5 2150 w/mx & poor signal u/OHOW. (SM)

1500 WTOP DC WASHINGTON - 12/5 2127 xlt w/Pro BKB Game. (SM)

WDEE MI DETROIT - 12/26 2239 good mixing w/WTOP w/O&W mx, never heard before w/WTOP on. (DY)

1520 KMPL MO SKESTON - 12/12 1725 w/mx & Missouri News. (BL)

1540 WADM IN DECATUR - 12/18 1715 noted in RS w/spot for Car Dealer w/conditions strongly favoring midwest. (JK)

1580 WSRF FL FT. LAUDERDALE - 12/13 fair w/Rock 1727-1730, nx, "Surf-16" ID. (PRM)

WEYY AL TALLADEGA - 12/13 1742-1744 fair w/spots then s/off w/ments. of 2500W and old favorite..."When WEYY goes off, even the sun goes down." Didn't say on whom! (PRM)

UNID -- ----- 12/13 1746 s/off ments. of 5KW, FCC, studios & offices at 316 South. OBJ QRN, WQXR splatter. (PRM)

1590 WIRS GA SWAINSBORO - 12/19 good at 1730 s/off by OM w/slight WINX splash. (WPT)

MIDNIGHT COCKTAILS

570 WMOA NY NEW YORK - 12/18 off & Eting w/varying TT/OC leaving spurs from WHN-1050 (loudest), WWDJ-970 & WABC-770 0310-0320. (PRM)

580 WHP PA HARRISBURG - noted on MM 11/27, but not there 12/4-11 & 18, just WHOH. (DS)

610 WIP PA PHILADELPHIA - 12/23 0014 poor but audible, 1st time here. (SM)

WDAF MO KANSAS CITY - 12/11 O&W mx, spot for Gift Shop, wx, "61 Country" ID, QRN from UNID talker/WIP 0134-0154. (PRM)

680 WCAW WV CHARLESTON - SM 12/17 popped up loud w/ID @ 0500 into O&W mx, KNBR supposed to be off at this time. (NZ)



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700 WLW OH CINCINNATI - 12/18 off and running 00/TT most of AM. (JS)
710 WOR NY NEW YORK - 12/18 off and ETing w/00/TT most of AM. (JS)
Has been noted off 12/18 MM fourth week in a row. (PRM)
WGBS FL MIAMI - 12/18 w/single ID 0240 in 00/ET. (JS)
800 CKLW ON WINDSOR - 12/18 noted off @ 0200 check. (JS)
UNID -- ----- 12/18 Canadian mx, nx, w/female anncr, 0201
ruined seconds before 0205 ID by XEROK which was evidently
off, suddenly came on in middle of tune, loud w/rr, SS
anncr, that they were all EE. (JS)
OJAD PQ MONTREAL - 12/4 0100 way atop w/jx ID, o/CHRC w/FF & SS
(XEROK?). CKLW off. (DS) See above. (RA)
820 WBAP TX FT. WORTH - 12/6 0005 signal poor but audible. (SM)
850 WRAT FL WEST PALM BEACH - 12/18 fair 0349-0413 w/O&W mx, ID/nx (PRM)
0400-0405, promo 0410 for job opening, WRUF & SS QRM, new.
WRUF FL GAINESVILLE - 12/18 ET/TT/00 0358-0403, ID 0400 u/WEAT. (PRM)
880 WOBS NY NEW YORK - 12/18 also off this MM 0145, leaving loud SS
here. (what did we do to deserve all these NSP's off on
a good au morning?) (JS)
900 OHML OH HAMILTON - 12/18 also noted off this MM w/00. (JS)
910 WROQ CT NEW BRITAIN - 12/5 fair w/AT40. (SM) Time? 12/18 fair
but distorted sig. w/Rock 0419, 91-Q ID, YL DJ. (PRM)
920 OFLS PQ LEVIS - 12/8 noted atop WTTM f/c 0033 w/rr, jx then more
Rock, loud. (DS)
930 CKNS ON ESPANOLA - 11/26 0015 noted running rr w/local anncr,
not usual OBC Net stuff. (DS)
950 WWJ MI DETROIT - 12/28 0100 xint w/OBS nx, then began to
fade and mix w/WPEM. (DY)
1040 WHO IA DES MOINES - 12/18 0007 xint w/WBZ off, O&W mx & traffic
report. (SM)
1060 KYW PA PHILADELPHIA - 12/21 0154 fair w/nx & ID as "Newsradio
1060, KYW." (SM)
1090 WKSP SC KINGSTREE - 12/10 0050-0058 ET w/rr, IDed @ 0054 "for
broadcast tests," weak. (DS)
1100 WWWE OH CLEVELAND - 12/18 noted off w/00 most of AM, must be
giving the \$\$\$ to the city. (JS)
1230 WTBC AL TUSCALOOSA - 12/27 w/T40 mx, wx, IDs 0305-0315, fair
w/QRM from WBHP. (NZ)
WBHP AL HUNTSVILLE - 12/27 w/O&W mx, "Big B" slogans, nx, several
IDs by DJ "The Midnight Cowboy" 0315-0330. (NZ)
WKUI WV PARKERSBURG - EX-WKYG 12/18 w/A1 Nx 0400 then O&W mx to
past 0430, loud, calling itself "KUI Country"...never
saw this call change in DXN, musta missed out. (JS)
1240 WROV VA ROANOKE - 12/11 fair w/Rock 0323-0327 ID, call to sta.
confirmed. (PRM)
1250 WTMA SC CHARLESTON - 11/27 0017 noted weak but alone w/rr,
NSP now? (DS)
1260 WOOO WI OCOONTO - 12/10 0759-0800 w/wx, barely atop heap. (DB)
WVVW WV GRAPTON - 12/18 SSB & s/on by female anncr 0601, 10 mins.
of Xmas mx, then agricultural program. (JS) (JS)
WPHB PA PHILLIPSBURG - 12/18 w/ID 0628, PSA's, wx, into Ae Nx 0630.
1270 WJJC GA COMMERCE - 12/18 atop freq. w/s/on & SSB 0559. (JS)
1290 CHR M PQ MATANE - 12/25 noted w/FF tele-talk show 0205. (ERS)
12/25 0219 w/talk show on later than usual, many
other FFC's on after normal s/offs, they were in poor. (JK)
1300 KVET TX AUSTIN - on RS MM 12/18 w/gal DJ/O&W mx 0245-0300. (NZ)
1310 KAAM TX DALLAS - noted w/Mutual Nx on 12/21, New Log sez UPI... (NZ)
1340 WSSC SC SUMTER - 12/18 0402 good atop GY heap w/ID/T40 mx. (WPT)
UNID -- ----- 12/18 0400 cycle TT here @ 0207 in f/c type
format, very weak but obvious 10 sec. breaks @ 0210,
0215 & off for good 0220, any ideas? DF to SW/NE. (JS)
1340 WLVL NY LOCKPORT - 12/25 0500 in fair with "Here's hoping you
have a good day, from WLVL." (JK)

1350 OJLM PQ JOLIETTE - 12/25 0244 on late w/Xmas mx in FF, good
signal. (JK) Noted approx. same time & date w/FF mx
& talk. (ERS)
1380 KWK MO ST. LOUIS - noted back on MM 12/18 w/DJ yak, rr mx.
A long time gone. (EZ)
1410 UNID -- ----- 12/28 0223 G&W u/WPOP in au cx, WPOP too
loud for readability of UNID. (DY)
1420 WVJS KY OWENSBORO - 12/18 very good 0120-0140 w/rr in RS, WHK off,
but back on by 0300. (JS)
WRGG GA COLUMBUS - 11/27 0058-0110 plus, noted ending CBS Misery
Theatre, ID for WOGQ & WROG, CBS Hx, then rr, mentioning
"107-Q" so evidently this was my 107-Q of a few months
back, and their AM MM now. (DS)
1430 WVAM PA ALTOONA - 12/18 0109 noted way atop again w/rr,
evidently still having problems with antenna overhaul
from summer. (DS)
1440 UNID -- ----- 12/11 AT40 Show playing song#5, started at
2100 o/O&W QRM. (PRM)
OFGO ON OTTAWA - 12/11 good mixing w/WPTQ, 0225-0240 w/spot for
Hotel Brampton, OFGO promos, not heard in awhile. (PRM)
1460 OKRB PQ ST. GEORGES DE BEAUCE - 12/6 0013 noted w/FF program,
similar to CBS Misery Theatre, way atop. (DS)
1470 OKPB PQ BAGOTVILLE - 12/18 in & out in cycles, 0016-0104,
dominant on peaks 0030 & 0102, but generally buried
by WJDI/WOHO/WSAN. (AR)
WIAM ME LEWISTON - 12/22 0249 good w/WIAM "Musicradio" ID. (SM)
1490 WMRP PA LEWISTOWN - 12/10 0028 s/off noted w/SSB, formerly off
@ 0005. (DS)
1530 KSMM MN SHAKOPEE - 12/10 0817 w/Sports, fair signal. (DB)
WTTI GA DALTON - 12/4 0110 ET noted in progress, rr & lousy
audio as usual. (DS) 12/18 on another ET noted 0320
w/mx, ho-hum. (JS)
1550 KOKA LA SHELLESPORT - 12/18 loud on ET/TT w/ID @ 0131. (WZ)
12/18 ET/TT on & off 0330-0400 ID, loud. (JS)
1560 WSHY IL SHELBYVILLE - 12/10 0059 00 noted w/ID for AM & FM. (DS)
1590 WQQW CT WATERBURY - 12/22 0235 good w/ID followed by "The
Larry King Show." (SM)
WETT MD OCEAN CITY - 12/11 good 0215 of course, w/WET Hx
o/WAKR. (PRM)
1600 WARU IN PERU - 12/18 atop w/s/on @ 0557. (JS)

THE BIG 16

DB	Doug Beard, Springville, IA	Zenith T-0
JF	Joe Fela, South Plainfield, NJ	HQ-180, Radio West Loop
ROSS	Ross Hansch, Madison, WI	HQ-180, Loop
JK	John Kromka, Montville, NJ	DX-160, SM2
GL	Gary Lovgren, St. Paul, MN	TRF
EL	Brad Lovett, Coldwater, OH	FRG-7
SM	Steven Miller, Boston, MA	TRF
PRM	Paul Mount, Teaneck, NJ	TRF, SMI
AR	Andy Rugg, Ile Des Soeurs, PQ, Canada	TRF
DS	Dave Schmidt, New Castle, DE	HQ-180A, Looped
JS	Jerry Starr, Hubbard, OH	HQ-180A, MW-1, 3 ft. Loop
ERS	Elliot R. Straus, West Orange, NJ	R-390A, Loop, LW
WPT	William P. Townshend, Washington, DC	TRF, DX-160
DY	David Yocis, Fairfield, CT	DX-160, LW
NZ	Neil Zank, Lincoln, NE	HQ-180A, TRF
RA	Ray Arruda, Acushnet, MA	SX-122, SMI

Thanks for the fine support. Paul Mount did his DXing from Teaneck
this time. All items received here by 12/30 are included in this
issue.

73,

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INTERNATIONAL DX DIGEST

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- 527.5 COSTA RICA TICAL R. Rumbos; Cartago 12/24 with "Domingo Musical" program of pop and tropical mx at 0750. Very readable, best CR of the morning. (Gleason)
- 545 DOMINICA Roseau back w/reggae mx, FF talk, very good; formal ID not caught 0105 12/19. (Connelly) The ID Dave Gleason and I have heard is "Radio Caribes Internationale". Ron Schatz reports hearing a Radio Calypso ID while in the Dominican Republic over Christmas-CH
- 545 UNID fair signal, male in FF or Creole, strange non-LA mx, noticed several times between 0015 and 0230, perhaps Dominica is back. (Lankford) Yes, the mx is strange. Not tropical, not really reggae, and not really calypso. By the way, Gleason says (and I agree) that they are not quite as strange as Jumbo was. Dave thinks that the former Jumbo 545 xmtx is being used for "The Voice of Life" (see last issue) and that the present R. Caribes xmtx could be the old Jumbo 1150 xmtx. Only T.X. Thrush knows for sure-CH
- 548 ALGERIA Oran still here; fair w/AA moaning 0055 12/19. (Connelly)
- 552.5 COSTA RICA San Jose TISBJ R. Libertad fair-good 0144 12/28 with a couple of ID's in the middle of some sort of long discourse. I hear them occasionally on this freq (with a fair signal) but they seem to be right on freq the rest of the time. (Hutton)
- 555 ST. KITTS ZIZ Basseterre AN 12/25 w/steel band mx and oddly, telephone talk. (Gleason)
- 574 CUBA R. Rebelde probably the weak het on Costa Rica the evening of 12/22; this one was strong enough to ID 11/29, but has returned to its former weak level. (Lankford) I think this is another stn. The Rebelde outlet was varying between 572 and 574 and had a fair signal. The thing on 574 is rock steady and has always been somewhat weak plus I seem to remember it was hrd simultaneously with the Rebelde-CH
- 575 COSTA RICA TIRN R. Nacional, San Jose booming in all evening (0000-0400) 12/22. (Lankford)
- 595 DOMINICA Roseau fair around 0050 12/22. (Lankford) Left carrier on AN 12/25. Is this usual, as with Kelkboom 1435 in the 60's? (Gleason) I wouldn't know-WPLO puts volts of RF on my antenna-CH
- 610 COLOMBIA RCN Bogota now definitely R. Suceso. AN 12/25 with female anncr. (Gleason) RCN has used the Radio Suceso thing as part of their ID for years. Many times they are part of the same ID-CH
- 612 MOROCCO Sebaa-Aioun good w/AA violins and vocals 0047 12/19. (Connelly)
- 650 VENEZUELA Maracay YVLH dominant w/Maracay ads 2320 12/22. (Connelly)
- 655 EL SALVADOR San Salvador YSS R. Nacional any evening you want them in North Louisiana. (Lankford) Except 1/1 and 1/2 when they were off the air when I checked-CH
- 670 ALASKA KDLG Dillingham 12/18 on DX test mentioning powers of only 1000 watts night and 5000 watts day. Reception fair to poor here: 1000-1109 MC-ID's, voice ID's, mx and TT plus many talks about the Bristol Bay area, very well run test. Only phone call was from Seattle, mentioned that KBOI and WMAQ were off but nothing hrd down there. The PD, CE, and GM all spoke during the test and 5 kw ND used throughout, signing off w/Alaska Flag song at 1109. (Vernon)
- 675 COSTA RICA TICN R. Sonora San Jose presumed, at good level 0135 12/22. (Lankford)
- 630 PUERTO RICO (and fulfilling this week's quota for out of order items-CH) WQBS San Juan, La Gran Cadena is AN-7 with the rest of the net (760 WORA and 910 WPRP) kissing off at 0400, back on at 0900 w/newscast. Disco mx. (Gleason)
- 680 PUERTO RICO San Juan WAPA "wa-pa" or Discoteca 6-80 is AN-7 with spurs on 655 and 705. Mostly disco mx, DJ in Spanish. (Gleason)
- 710 VENEZUELA Caracas YVKY good w/talk by YL about Venezuela, o/u WOR groundwave 2321 12/22. (Connelly)
- 720 VENEZUELA Parlamar YVOE loud o/other LA's-disco mx, TC 7:25 (AST), R. Vision jingle 2325 12/22. (Connelly)
- 725 COSTA RICA San Jose R. Columbia TILX likely, strong 0140 12/22. (Lankford)

- 725 COSTA RICA San Jose TILX R. Columbia noted AN'ing with talk 0735 12/24. (Gleason)
- 735 ECUADOR Quito R. Melodia HGGCI with clear "Melodia" ID 0107 12/22, its been a long time since they have been at ID'able level. (Lankford)
- 740 COLOMBIA HJNS R. Guatepuri, Valledupar 12/23 0420 with Vallenato mx (rural Colombian folk mx w/lots of accordions) and Christmas greetings. Completely dominates the channel. (Gleason) I think they have recently raised power-CH
- 747 UPPER VOLTA Ougadougou has finally made the move to 747: FF talk and African mx fair 2257 12/20. (Connelly)
- 765 EL SALVADOR Usulután R. Universal YSKLD probably the YSKL relay here most evenings. How do we know it is them? Do they ever give full ID's? (Lankford) If you mean do the relays ever give local ID's, the answer is no to the best of my knowledge. Ron Schatz has always said this is YSKLD; possibly as a result of one of the DX trips to Central America-CH
- 765 SENEGAL Dikar like a local w/native wailing and plucked strings, louder than adjacents WJR and WABC 2255 12/20. Xint w/repetitive drumming and wailing 0035 12/19. (Connelly)
- 774 UNID looped CA or Europe 0745 12/24, good carrier, poor modulation. Who is here now assuming this is one of the new TA freqs? (Gleason)
- 775 COSTA RICA TIW R. Uno, San Jose 0745 12/24 w/rock mx, recorded "Radio Uno" between songs. Music hrd all in EE. (Gleason) Good 0315 12/22. (Lankford)
- 800 GUAM KTWG Agaña 12/12 1157 QM w/nx, mentioned was from UPI (but not audio net). SID at 1200 "This is Trans-World Radio", then pre-taped ID w/QM "Keep your radio tuned to 800, KTWG Agaña, Guam, the voice of Trans-World Radio". Soft vocal mx followed w/a very deep voiced anncr. Ex 770 kHz. (Vernon)
- 805 UNID LA 12/23 0640 w/cumbias. I suspect (or hope) that this is HCFV1, Canal Tropical, Quito (it would be nice to hear... till last year WRTVH listed me as its owner!.. a bit of info only 7 years out of date... shows something about the book. The binding is lousy, too!) which is still here. Gone totally by 0650. (Gleason) WRTVH is known to reprint LA information from year to year regardless of whether more current information is available. They have never contacted me for any information and use very little of the information from DX News-CH
- 800 PANAMA HO-- "La Exitosa" 12/23 0600-0630 with incredible signal! Announcing #1 in audience in all Panama. Also plugged its "cadena" which is "Exitosa" and "Exitosa-Provincia Central", no freqs given. Due to Canal Zone on 790, I suspect that 800 is Provincia Central and Panama city is elsewhere. Strongest CA of the night. (Gleason) Sounds reasonable. Note the information, ERC-CH
- 819 NEW ZEALAND RNZ National Pgm 12/13 0956+ soft jazz type pgm w/QM anncr, 6 pips on the hour. (Vernon)
- 825 PANAMA San Jose TIOS Titania w/disco Christmas mx and everything else too. 12/23 0630. "Titania" between and over records. (Gleason) Maybe the one over a fluttery SAH 2328 12/21. (Lankford)
- 834 BELIZE Belize City R. Belize fair 2327 12/21 w/SS pgm. (Lankford)
- 837 NEW ZEALAND RNZ National Pgm 12/13 0957+, very weak but //819. (Vernon)
- 846 AUSTRALIA (tentative) 1059 YL anncr, pips, then ABC nx intro mx, at 1100 QM w/nx followed. (Vernon)
- 870 COLOMBIA HJLA LV de Tolima 12/25 0600 and on with AN pgm of prize drawings, greetings, and cumbias. Anncr's voice had tremendous echo on it. Alone on channel. (Gleason)
- 870 PUERTO RICO WHOA is San Juan, not "Hato Rey". H.R. is an area in San Juan, not a city or town. They ID as San Juan, is all EE with pseudo-MOR. (Gleason)
- 875 COSTA RICA TICPH R. Monumental, Liberia assumed, good 0108 12/22. (Lankford)
- 914 SURINAM Nieuw Nickerie RANI almost certainly the very weak signal 2325 12/21, not ID'able though. (Lankford)
- 919.5 PUERTO RICO WIPR San Juan has spurs here and on 960.5 since early 12/78. Makes DX'ing rough in this area of the dial. (Gleason)
- 925 COSTA RICA TICM R. Juvenil, San Jose 0740 12/24 w/"Fin de semana Juvenil" rock music pgm. (Gleason) Likely, good above SAH 0109 12/22. (Lankford)
- 944 HONDURAS Tegucigalpa HRYW R. Panamericana usual format of soft mx, good 0112 12/22. (Lankford)
- 945 ECUADOR Radio Ifesa, Guayaquil noted with pop mx 12/23 0330 in passing with best HC signal of the night. Ifesa stands for Industria Fonografica Ecuatoriana, SA, the owner. Again 12/24 0735. Better than 995 in signal. (Gleason)

- 965 ECUADOR HCOT1 R. Zaracay, Santo Domingo de los Colorados 12/25 0645 w/dance, Christmas, and HC mx. Stable but weak signal. Played sets of songs without any talk in between. Typical program of paid messages and greetings. (Gleason)
- 970 US VIRGIN ISLANDS St. Thomas WSTX briefly peaking up to fair strength through nulled WGSJ; 97X ID, Caribbean EE talk and mx 2245 12/22. (Connelly) Very good!-CH
- 995 ECUADOR HCEW2 R. Suceso, Guayaquil w/"Domingos Romanticos de Suceso" at 0730 on 12/24, pgm of light ballads and pop mx in SS. (Gleason) Presumed the one, fair 0113 12/22 w/male SS talker. (Lankford)
- 1005 COLOMBIA Neiva HJJR R. Colossal ID and into lively LA mx 0115 12/22, again later 0500 w/"Todelar" mention. (Lankford) 12/25 all AM with Christmas dance show. (Gleason)
- 1015 EL SALVADOR San Salvador YSG R. Internacional probably the one, good 0118 12/22. (Lankford)
- 1025 COLOMBIA HJFT Ibague, Ecos del Combeima AN 12/25, Christmas dance mx. First time hrd with local WOSO 1030 off. Presume WOSO is AN-6, silent Mondays. (Gleason)
- 1025 UNID wicked growl 0117 12/22, assumed Costa Rica and Panama fighting it out. (Lankford) Panama is no longer here-Colombia and Costa Rica are the only occupants-CH
- 1030 PUERTO RICO WOSO San Juan is AN again, SP MM. (Gleason)
- 1035 HAITI Cap Haitien R. 4VEH fair EE talker 2310 12/21, has recently been signing off at 0000 w/mention of Radio 4VEH and "Amazing Grace". (Lankford)
- 1037 COLOMBIA Bucaramanga R. Primavera HJZJ assumed, is strong in Ruston many evenings, but 1040 sloop makes the going tough, no positive ID on this one. (Lankford) In re-listening to the taped ID's I have, I don't think this is Primavera any longer. The ID has exactly the same cadence, ends in "era", and sounds very much like Primavera. The closest I can make it is "Portalera", which does not match any of the HJ's within 20 kHz or so. CH
- 1050 COLOMBIA HJBB R. Valledupar, Valledupar 12/25 AN'ing for Christmas with Vallenato mx, announcing "desde la capital Vallenato del mundo, Radio Valledupar...". Very strong, dominating channel 0600 to 0700. (Gleason)
- 1055 COLOMBIA HJFZ LV del Centro, El Espinal beautiful 12/25 with dance mx. Everyone else has reported them, so I might as well. (Gleason) They aren't really a common catch-outside of the south-east they don't have much signal-CH
- 1075 COSTA RICA San Jose TIFC Faro del Caribe assumed w/EE preaching 0340 12/22. (Lankford)
- 1085 HONDURAS San Pedro Sula R. Aeropuerto HROP w/"Radio Aeropuerto" ID 0000 12/22. (Lankford)
- 1100 ANTIGUA St. John's ZDK superloud, alone on channel during great Caribbean opening; man in Caribbean EE talking about mass suicides in Guyana, noted at 2239 12/22. (Connelly)
- 1125 COSTA RICA San Jose Onda Once Veinte TISRHB fair 0002 12/22, has been using both "Onda (pause) once veinte" and "Amigos (Pause) once veinte" ID's during the hour, but on the hour uses call letters and "Onda once veinte". (Lankford)
- 1135 GUATEMALA Retalhuleu LV de la Costa Sur TGVR presumed, fair 0004 12/22. (Lankford)
- 1140 PUERTO RICO WQII 11-Q, San Juan. City of license is not Guaynabo as listed in WRTH. I have reports swearing we ID as "Guaynabo". That's DX'ing without a radio! (Gleason) Now to figure out who to believe-you or them,hi-CH
- 1144.4 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HILF R. Cayacoa, Higüey 12/24 0330 w/dance mx and extremely stable, readable signal. (Gleason)
- 1155 EL SALVADOR La Union Ondas Orientales YSCF very good 0005 12/22. (Lankford)
- 1163.5 HONDURAS El Paraiso R. Paraiso HRGF the second time this fall at good level 0008 12/22. (Lankford)
- 1165 ANTIGUA St. John's Caribbean Radio Lighthouse w/EE preaching in heavy sloop 2327 12/21. (Lankford)
- 1190 PUERTO RICO WEMJ San Juan is AN-7, format is disco. 95% of music in EE, DJ's in SS. "Radio Rock" is ID. (Gleason)
- 1197 AUSTRALIA 4CG Southport 12/12 1130 OM anncr w/contest, address in Southport. (Vernon)
- 1202 CAYMAN ISLANDS Georgetown R. Cayman w/EE female talker, seemingly 7/1555 2323 12/21. (Lankford) A typo or were they wandering?-CH
- 1224 COSTA RICA San Francisco de Heredia R. Nueva Victoria TIPJ likely, good 0010 12/22. (Lankford) Ecuador here also-CH

- 1224 SENEGAL (tentative) bits of AA style moaning on fair carrier during African opening 2237 12/22. (Connelly)
- 1265 ST. KITTS Basseterre R. Paradise weak EE preaching 2322 12/21. (Lankford)
- 1290 VENEZUELA YVLF R. Puerto is the new name for R. Puerto Cabello. (Gleason)
- 1296 AUSTRALIA 4BK Brisbane 12/12 1131 a number of commercials, address of one given in Brisbane. (Vernon)
- 1320 PUERTO RICO WUNO San Juan is AN-7, ID is R. Uno with Latin ballads. (Gleason)
- 1365 HONDURAS Ciudad Danli R. Danli HRTR presumed, good 0013 12/22. (Lankford)
- 1371.2 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC unid 12/23 0514-0525 w/regional or Dominican mx. Was not detectable on loop, just barely discernable on amplified vertical. ID only as "Radio y Television Dominicana". (Gleason)
- 1400 PUERTO RICO WVOZ R. Voz, Carolina is apparently AN-6, silent on MM. (Gleason)
- 1404 GUINEA Conakry in w/strong carrier, male vocal at low modulation level 2303 12/20. (Connelly) A bit of audio slipping through 2315 12/21. (Lankford) 12/23 0450 with very shallow modulation, male speaking in apparent FF. Only TA in at time, except for Monte Carlo. (Gleason)
- 1411 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HIRM R. Sol, Higüey 12/24 0355-0400 w/variety music format, DJ and talk between records, dedications, etc. Occasionally 100% readable on DR33; just a het on SPR4 (and the SPR4 is modified with 2.4 kHz filters). Program called "Bailables Bermudez" sponsored by Bermudez rum. Announced s/off at 2 AM. (Gleason)
- 1419 CUBA R. Baracoa presumed per LA split list 0119 12/22. (Lankford) They're gone now-must be someone else-CH
- 1439.3 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HIFS R. Bahia, Nagua 12/24 0340-0355 w/Xmas dance mx pgm, phone requests and dedications. DJ occasionally said "Radio Bahia, con mejor programacion" over the records. Unreadable except for het on 1440 on SPR4, about 60% readable on new Dymek DR33 using a sideband filter and offset tuning. (Gleason)
- 1451.5 UNID 12/23 0430 w/EST TC's, traditional SS romantic mx, some cumbias (Colombian) and SS ballads. Would suspect an HJ. Very muddy voice, mx fairly clear. Slow, cyclic fades. Again 12/24 0400. (Gleason)
- 1456.2 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HIAR R. San Cristobal, San Cristobal w/seasonal dance pgm 0420-0435 12/24. Someone else on same bearing about 200 Hz below him. Again 12/25. (Gleason)
- 1458 ENGLAND BBC R. Manchester 12/11 0628+ Radio Two, 0629½ SID "2-0-6 Manchester Radio, good morning". 0630 YL anncr, intro to mx w/OM. 0632+ min of mx w/YL anncr. Stn was a regular at this time, end of October and beginning of November. Pattern on 1457 major lobe was due west w/5 kw, not sure if it's changed since. This could possibly be heard on US west coast, don't know London's pattern though. (Vernon)
- 1460.6 COLOMBIA HJTS R. Monumental, Villa del Rosario w/Xmas mx in 2-3 record sets, female saying "Alegra su navidad con Monumental" between records. Solid signal, 100% copyable. Cumbias, mostly. No 1460 sloop with the DR33's upper sideband filter in use. On later listening, turned out to be a remote from a hotel 12/24 0445-0500. (Gleason)
- 1465 ECUADOR HGDY4 R. Iris, Esmeraldas appears to be the one heard 0500 12/23. Looped about 10 degrees west of the 1451.5 unid. Appeared to have a lengthy space of "mensajes", messages sent (and paid for) to people in rural areas. (Gleason)
- 1471.2 COLOMBIA HJTB Ondas del Ibague, Ibague 12/25 0630 w/Xmas dance mx show, local spots, lots of echo on the ID's. Somebody could get rich selling xtals in Colombia to replace all those VFO's. (Gleason)
- 1475.7 HAITI unid presumed by language, 12/25 0620 w/traditional Xmas songs and Haitian merengues (in FF of course). (Gleason) It's LV du Peuple-CH
- 1490.5 COLOMBIA HJAY Onda Nueva, Barranquilla 12/23 0500 w/dance mx, ID on the hour. (Gleason)
- 1524.5 COSTA RICA (?) R. Columbia, suppose this is the Turrialba xmtr. 12/25 0610 w/bailables de navidad with frequent "Columbia" spoken over records. (Gleason) Assumed, good 0014 12/22. L'ford)

- 1530.8 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC R. Accion HI--, Santiago, another with Bermudez rum Xmas dance show. 12/24 0505, also running greetings from Gulf and Western "together in the future of the Dominican Republic". Announced 24 hours, although this may be for the season only. Blockbuster signal. Did not ID as Santiago, but all the local spots were for that town. (Gleason)
- 1541 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC unid, 12/26 0345 w/US rock and disco mx, ad for local lottery, only ID as "La Reina". (Gleason)
- 1555 CAYMAN ISLANDS Georgetown R. Cayman w/British accented EE female talker seemingly //1205 2310 12/21. (Lankford)
- 1555.1 ECUADOR HCTR3 LV del Guabo, El Guabo 12/24 0700 w/messages to rural areas, personal greetings and Christmas (all paid... this is this kind of HG's main source of income, not commercial ads). Music was mostly cumbias and Ecuadorian national music. Complete ID w/freq, location, and time at 0711. (Call not given, but name was. Names or slogans are granted with government approval in Ecuador... like call letters in US.) (Gleason)
- 1560 PUERTO RICO WRSJ s/off daily at 0630. (Gleason)
- 1590 PUERTO RICO Guayama is AN. (Gleason)

Not feeling so well so I'll hold the feature stuff for another week.

Mark Connelly	Arlington, Mass.	R390A, SM2
David Gleason	Guaynabo, PR	DR33, Sanserino loop, DA100 whip
Chuck Hutton	Decatur, Ga.	R390A, 1900' Beverage
Dallas Lankford	Ruston, La.	HQ180A, 15' shortwire
Brian Vernon	Elsa, Yukon Terr.	DX160, DX150A, FRC7000, 2000' and 1500' Beverage

FCC mulls end to 'clear channel'

'Garbage' may be new wave for listeners of WCCO-AM

By SYLVIA LANG
Staff Writer

—Minnesotans who listen to WCCO-AM radio might find themselves with increasing "garbage reception" if proposed Federal Communications Commission regulations to ease frequency restrictions are accepted, station spokesman Gordy Mikkelsen said Tuesday.

WCCO is one of 25 "clear channel" stations in the United States whose signals are allowed to carry about 1,000 miles.

—The FCC is proposing that current protection from interference on clear channel stations be limited so 200 new radio stations can be opened.

One proposal would protect clear channel stations from interference for a radius of about 700 to 750 miles. The FCC estimates this could open up 80 to 100 stations.

ANOTHER PROPOSAL would offer protection for a 100-mile radius, opening up about

Gary Lovegren of St. Paul, Minnesota.

200 stations and allowing 25 stations to operate on channels adjacent to clear channels.

Mikkelsen, WCCO's director of special projects, said the FCC's proposals are in response to "tremendous pressure from large cities, especially in the East, which want special-interest stations, such as those operated by minorities, to be opened. There's a good chance the Midwest will be hurt if the proposals are accepted."

He said with too much competition for the air waves, especially at night, "you're going to get a lot of garbage, and our listeners will get less service."

MIKKELSON DESCRIBED the situation as "breaking" the clear channel stations.

"The problem isn't how far but how clear the signal is," he said. "And I'm afraid the clarity is really going to suffer unless listeners are given some kind of protection from unwanted signals."

Mikkelsen explained that during the day signals are produced

by "ground waves," which run along the surface of the earth. But at night, the signals come from "sky waves" that are bounced off the air back to ground. Because of changes in the ionosphere, clarity of nighttime signals varies considerably.

"That's why the less interference allowed at night, the better," Mikkelsen said.

He said in 1961, the FCC allowed nighttime duplication on 13 of the 25 clear channel stations' frequencies.

WCCO IS ONE of the remaining 12 unduplicated channels.

In other action Tuesday, the FCC rejected a request from farm organizations and clear channel broadcasters to allow higher power transmitters than currently may be used.

WCCO operates with 50,000 watts, which is the U.S. limit, Mikkelsen noted.

"Yet some countries are allowing stations to operate at 2 million watts," he said. "In other words, we're being told to hold our power down while the rest of the world is letting its go up."

SIGN OFF CITY GUIDE - JANUARY

ELLIOTT R. STRAUS/JOHN KROMKA

ALABAMA

all 6 PM

except 6:15

Atmore
Bay Minette
Fairhope
Flomaton
Foley
Jackson
Mobile
Prichard

ARKANSAS

all 6:15 PM

except 6:30

Arkadelphia
Camden
Clarksville
Dardanelle
DeQueen
El Dorado
Fayetteville
Fordyce
Fort Smith
Hope
Hot Springs
Magnolia
Malvern
Nashville
Ozark
Paris
Prescott
Rogers
Russellville
Siloam Springs
Springdale
Texarkana
Van Buren

CONNECTICUT

all 4:45 PM

DELAWARE

all 5 PM

DIST. OF COL.

5:15 PM

FLORIDA

all 5:45 PM

except 6:00 PM

Arcadia
Auburndale
Avon Park
Barton
Bloumstown
Bradenton
Brooksville
Chattahoochee
Chiefland
Chipley
Clearwater
Crestview
Dade City

FLORIDA

6:00 PM

De Funiak Spgs.
Dunedin
Englewood
Ft. Myers
Ft. Walton Bch.
Haines City
Immokalee
Indian R. Bch.
Key West
Lake Wales
Lakeland
Largo
Lehigh Acres
Live Oak
Madison
Marathon
Marco Island
Marianna
Monticello
Naples
New Pt. Richey
Oakland Park
Panama City
Perry
Pinellas Park
Plant City
Port St. Joe
Punta Gorda
Quincy
Sarasota
Sebring
St. Petersburg
Tallahassee
Tampa
Valpariso
Venice
Wauchula
Winter Haven
Zephyr Hills

6:15 PM

Milton
Pensacola

GEORGIA

all 5:45 PM

except 6 PM

Albany
Americus
Bainbridge
Blakely
Bremen
Cairo
Camilla
Carrollton
Cedartown
Columbus
Cuthbert
Dawson
Donaldsonville
La Grange
LaFayette
Manchester
Moultrie
Newnan
Quitman

GEORGIA

6:00 PM

Rockmart
Rome
Rossville
Summerville
Tallapoosa
Valdosta
West Point

ILLINOIS

all 6 PM

except 5:45

Aurora
Bloomington
Casey
Champaign
Charleston
Chicago
Danville
DeKalb
Dixon
Elgin
Elmhurst
Evanston
Freeport
Geneva
Harvard
Harvey
Highland Pk.
Joliet
Kankakee
La Grange
La Salle
Loves Park
Mendota
Morris
Normal
Oak Park
Ottawa
Paris
Pontiac
Princeton
Rantoul
Robinson
Rochelle
Rockford
Sterling
Streator
Urbana
Watseka
Waukegan
Zion

KENTUCKY

all 5:45 PM

except 5:30

Ashland
Jenkins
Louisa
Maysville
Morehead
Neon
Paintsville
Pikeville
Prestonsburg
Vanceburg
West Liberty

except 6 PM

Benton
Bowling Green
Cadiz
Central City
Elkton
Fulton
Hartford
Henderson
Hopkinsville
Madisonville
Marion
Mayfield
Morganfield
Murray
Owensboro
Paducah
Princeton
Russellville

LOUISIANA

all 6:30 PM

except 6:15

Amite
Bogalusa
Franklinton
Gretna
Hammond

LOUISIANA

6:15 PM

Lake Providence
New Orleans
Oak Grove
Port Sulpher
Slidell
Tallulah

MAINE

all 4:30 PM

except 4:15

Bangor
Belfast
Calais
Carabou
Dover-Foxcroft
Ellsworth
Ft. Kent
Houlton
Lincoln
Machias
Madawaska
Millinocket
Presque Isle

MARYLAND

all 5:15 PM

except 5 PM

Aberdeen
Annapolis
Baltimore
Bel Air
Cambridge
Chestertown
Easton
Elkton
Glen Burnie
Havre de Grace
Ocean City
Pokomoke City
Salisbury
Towson
Westminster

MASSACHUSETTS

all 4:30 PM

except 4:45 PM

Amherst
Beverly
Chicopee
E. Longmeadow
Fitchburg
Gardner
Great Barrington
Greenfield
Holyoke
Leominster
Milford
North Adams
Northampton
Orange
Pittsfield
Southbridge
Springfield
Ware
Westfield
Worcester

MICHIGAN

all 5:30 PM

except 5:15 PM

Alpena
Bad Axe
Cheboygan
Gaylord
Marine City
Newberry
Petoskey
Rogers City
Sandusky
St. Ste. Marie
St. Ignace
Tawas City

MINNESOTA

all 6 PM

except 5:45

Aitkin
Cloquet
Duluth
Ely
Eveleth
Grand Rapids
Hibbing
International
Falls
Pine City
Virginia
Wabasha
Winona

MISSISSIPPI

all 6:15 PM

except 6 PM

Aberdeen
Amory
Booneville
Corinth
Fulton
Ripley
Tupelo

except 6:30

Natchez

MISSOURI

all 6:15 PM

except 6 PM

Bowling Green
Cape Girardeau
Charleston
Clayton
DeSoto
Dexter
E. Prarie
Farmington
Festus
Flat River
Fredrickton
Hannibal
Jackson
Portageville
Potosi
Sikeston
St. Charles

MISSOURI

6 PM

Warrenton

except 6:30

Carthage
Joplin
Neosho

NEBRASKA

all 6:30 PM

except 6:15

Falls City
Fremont
Nebraska City
Norfolk
Omaha
Plattsmouth

except 6:45

Alliance
Chadron
Kimball
McCook
North Platte
Scottsbluff
Sidney
Terrytown

NEW HAMPSHIRE

all 4:30 PM

except 4:45

Keene
Newport
Peterborough

NEW JERSEY

all 5 PM

NEW YORK

all 4:45 PM

except 5 PM

Amherst
Auburn
Baldwinsville
Batavia
Bath
Binghamton
Brockport
Buffalo
Cannadaigua
Cheektowaga
Corning
Cortland
Dundee
Dunkirk
Syracuse
Elmira
Endicott
Fredonia
Fulton
Geneva
Hornell
Horseheads
Ithaca
Jamestown
Lancaster

NEW YORK

5 PM

Lockport
Newark
Niagra Falls
Norwich
Olean
Oswego
Port Jervis
Rochester
Salamanca
Seneca Falls
Syracuse
Warsaw
Watkins Glen
Wellsville

NORTH CAROLINA

all 5:15 PM

except 5 PM

Ashokie
Beaufort
Edenton
Elizabeth City
Farmville
Greensboro
Havelock
Henderson
Jacksonville
Kinston
Louisburg
Morehead City
Murfreesboro
New Bern
Plymouth
Roanoke Rapids
Rocky Mt.
Soctland Neck
Tarboro
Wanchese
Washington
Weldon
Williamston
Wilson
Windsor

except 5:30

Asheville
Black Mountain
Brevard
Bryson City
Canton
Forest City
Franklin
Hendersonville
Marion
Marshall
Murphy
Rutherfordton
Spruce Pine
Sylva
Tyron
Waynesville

Corrections go to:

Elliot R. Straus
27 Devon Drive
West Orange, NJ 07052

OHIO

all 5:30 PM

except 5:15

Akron
Alliance
Ashtabula
Bellaire
Canton
Chardon
Cleveland
Conneaut
Dover
E. Liverpool
Elyria
Kent
Lorain
Massillon
Niles
Painsville
Salem
Stuebenville
Uhrichsville
Warren
Youngstown

except 5:45

Cincinnati
Fairfield
Hamilton
Middletown

OKLAHOMA

all 6:45 PM

except 6:30

Atoka
Bartlesville
Blackwell
Claremore
Cushing
Henryetta
Holdenville
Hugo
Idabel
McAlester
Miami
Muskogee
Okmulgee
Pawhuska
Ponca City
Poteau
Pryor
Sallisaw
Sand Springs
Sapulpa
Stillwater
Tahlequah
Tulsa
Vinita
Wagoner
Wewoka

except 7 PM

Guymon

PENNSYLVANIA

all 5 PM

except 5:15

Altoona
Ambridge
Apollo

PENNSYLVANIA

5:15 PM

Barnesboro
Beaver Falls
Bedford
Braddock
Brownsville
Butler
Canonsburg
Carnegie
Chambersburg
Charleroi
Clarion
Clearfield
Connellsville
Corry
DuBois
Ebensburg
Erie
Everett
Farrell
Franklin
Gettsburg
Greensburg
Greenville
Grove City
Huntington
Indiana
Jeanette
Johnstown
Kane
Kittanning
Latrobe
Martinsburg
McConnellsburg
McKeesport
Meadville
New Castle
New Kensington
North East
Oil City
Phillipsburg
Pittsburgh
Portage
Punxsutawney
Roaring Springs
Sharon
Shippensburg
Somerset
St. Marys
Titusville
Tyrone
Uniontown
Warren
Washington
Waynesboro
Windber

SOUTH CAROLINA

all 5:30 PM

except 5:45

Abbeville
Aiken
Allendale
Anderson
Bamberg
Barnwell
Batesburg
Belton
Burnettown
Cayce
Clemson
Clinton

SOUTH CAROLINA

5:45 PM

Easley
Fountain Inn
Gaffney
Greenville
Greenwood
Greer
Hampton
Johnstown
Laurens
Newberry
N. Augusta
Orangeburg
Pickens
Seneca
Spartanburg
Travelers Rest
Union
Walhalla
Walterboro
Winnsboro
Woodruff

TENNESSEE

all 5:45 PM

except 5:30

Bristol
Elizabethton
Mount. City

except 6 PM

Ardmore
Bolivar
Brownsville
Camden
Centerville
Clarksville
Columbia
Cowan
Dickson
Dyersburg
Brenham
Fayetteville
Franklin
Gallatin
Henderson
Hohenwald
Humboldt
Huntington
Jackson
Lawrenceburg
Lebanon
Lewisburg
Lexington
Madison
Manchester
Martin

McKenzie
McMinnville
Milan
Murfreesboro
Nashville
Paris
Parsons
Pulaski
Savannah
Selmer
Shelbyville
S. Pittsburg
Springfield
Trenton
Tullahoma
Union City

TENNESSEE

6 PM

Waverly
Waynesboro
Winchester
Woodbury

TEXAS

6:15 PM

Jasper
Kilgore
Longview
Marshall
Monahans
Mt. Pleasant
New Boston
Orange
Paris
Texarkana
Woodville

6:30 PM

Atlanta
Baytown
Carthage
Center
Clarksville
Daingerfield
Dallas
Gilmer
Gladewater
Hemphill
Henderson

6:45 PM

Athens
Bay City
Beaumont
Bellville
Belton
Bowie
Breckinridge
Brenham
Bryan
Cameron
Cleburne
Cleveland
College Station
Comanche
Conroe
Corsicana
Crockett
Denison
Denton
Diboll
Eastland
Edna
El Campo
Freeport
Ft. Worth
Gainsville
Galveston
Georgetown
Graham
Grand Prarie
Greenville
Hamilton
Highland Park
Hillsboro
Houston
Huntsville
Jacksonville
Killeen
La Grange

TEXAS6:45 PM

Lampasas
McKinney
Mexia
Mineola
Mineral Wells
Nacogdoches
Navajola
Palestine
Pasadena
Port Arthur
Port Lavaca
Quanah
Rosenberg
Rusk
Seymour
Shamrock
Sherman
Stephenville
Taylor
Temple
Terrell
Texas City
Tyler
Vernon
Waco

7:15 PM

Alpine
El Paso
Ft. Stockton
Kermit
Pecos

VERMONT

all 4:45 PM

except 4:30

Barre
Montpelier
Newport
St. Albans
St. Johnsbury

VERMONT4:30 PM

Waterbury
Wells River

VIRGINIA

all 5:15 PM

except 5:30

Abington
Altavista
Bassett
Bedford
Big Stone Gap
Blacksburg
Bristol
Brookneal
Chatham
Christiansburg
Clifton Forge
Clinchco
Collinsville
Covington
Danville
Galax
Gate City
Gretna
Grundy
Hillsville
Lebanon
Lynchburg
Marion
Martinsville
Narrows
Norton
Penn. Gap
Pulaski
Radford
Richlands
Rcanoke
Rocky Mt.
Salem
S. Boston
Stuart

VIRGINIA5:30 PM

Tazewell
Vinton
Wytheville

WEST VIRGINIA

all 5:30 PM

except 5:15

Berkeley Spgs.
Charles Town
Clarksburg
Elkins
Fairmont
Fisher
Grafton
Keyser
Kingwood
Martinsburg
Morgantown
Moundsville
Weirton
Wheeling

WISCONSIN

all 5:45 PM

except 5:30

Eagle River
Green Bay
Marinette
Menominee
Oconto
Sturgeon Bay
Two Rivers

except 6 PM

Lancaster
New Richmond
Platteville
River Falls

SUPPLEMENT TO THE CITY GUIDE TO SUNSET SIGN-OFF TIMES

Since the introduction of our Guide we have been pleased to find that it is of help to those NRC'ers who DX at sunset. We realize that our format for listing the times of the sign-offs by towns may make it difficult in certain cases. Let's say a DX'er is hearing Alabama good on one frequency and wants to try for other stations in Alabama on another frequency, having a city name does him only so much good, as there may not be enough time to look up 107 frequencies or so to see which ones Montgomery is on, before the station signs off. We understand this problem, but the reason for compiling it by city was because of space limitations in DX News. Possibly when this Guide is incorporated into a reprint we shall list everything by call-frequency. We are sorry we forgot the state of Ohio in December's list. We were rushed in getting it together, and completely overlooked it. We promise never to do this again, and you all will forgive us, hi. Obviously, no Eastern U.S. station sign-offs list is complete without the Buckeye State.

We are pleased to have received so many favorable comments concerning the list. Skip Dabelstein & Russ Edmunds, in particular, have expressed concern over the accuracy of our tables. Our Guide is to ascertain stations sign-offs by what the Federal Communications Commission says each station SHOULD sign off at. But according to Skip and Russ stations do not always sign-off at what the FCC says they should. Russ recently made a practice of observing station sign-offs and has noticed several discrepancies in our list. This is not our fault, the stations in question should sign-off at the time we list but they don't for some unknown reason. Maybe it has something to

do with antenna patterns, or interference to other stations at SS. Since Russ's information is relatively current, and our goal is to make our Guide as accurate as possible, we shall make the necessary revisions to our list from his observations. In addition, Carl sent us a list of sign-off times for cities that had radio stations back in 1937 taken from a Broadcasting Yearbook of the same year. He too has noticed some differences. We would assume that what the FCC regulated back in 1937 would still be in effect today, although we are not totally sure about this. John Bowker-could you write us and clear this situation up, since you are acquainted with current FCC practices? We would surely appreciate it. Also, if there are any other NRC'ers who could help us on this issue, please write, as we will greatly appreciate any assistance. By the way, if there are any DX'ers who are aware of any station's sign-offs that DO NOT conform to our list, please let us know as this will help all the club, as a whole.

In conclusion, I would like to say as co-compiler of the Guide I sincerely enjoy taking part in providing this service to the National Radio Club of which Elliot Straus and I hope a multitude of members shall benefit from.

WCTW

radio 1550

BROADCAST CENTER ROUTE 38-West
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Mr. Kelly Andrews
7016 Montauk Drive
Richmond, Virginia
23225

October 31, 1978

Dear Kelly,

This letter will serve as your official confirmation of reception of Radio Station W C T W New Castle Indiana. The times of your reception corresponds with our program log on that date (7:47 PM EDT on October 22, 1978) There is no question, you heard 55-CW...

It's always nice to hear from DX'ers, having been a DX'er myself. I have included some information on our operation for you.

WCTW operates with 250 watts fulltime service on 1550khz. We use a two tower directional pattern during the day, with a null towards crawfordsville to protect WCVL...During the nighttime hours we use a four tower pattern with very deep nulls to the North and South. We are in the process of re-building our Nighttime array, so I don't have any new coverage maps. I will include the proposed pattern direct from our F.C.C. application/ It will give you a good idea of how deep our nulls are.

As I said, I am also a DX'er although I have not had alot of time for the hobby in the last couple of years. I am a former member of the I.R.C.A. and pretty much contain my DX'ing to domestic BCB and TV.

Our station here in New Castle is owned by Delta D. Inc. We purchsed WCTW and it's FM sister station WMDH last May. WCTW has an up tempo MOR format, with Modern Country on our FM side. We also own WTLM/WEFE in Taylorville, Illinois and also two cable TV outlets. For the most part our reception reports to your area usually come in the fall and winter months during the sunset hours

We did have an occasion when we got a report from upper Manitoba. This was several years ago when the station was temporarily operating at 94 WATTS non-directional.

I hope this information will be what you want. If you need anything else, please feel free to drop me a note. And don't forget to tell all the NRC members that we do verify and appreciate any reception reports.

73's

Lee J. Freshwater-Eng. Sup.

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MUSINGS

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DX IS GOOD IN THIS FORMER N.R.C. CONVENTION CITY

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Greetings to all. Not too much DX to report since returning from Portland over Thanksgiving. What there was: AU CX 11/26 left usual pest KYAC nowhere to be found, that let in new station KNCO, Grass Valley, Cal. @ 8pm. Verie two weeks later gives station power as 500w, & DA to the NE. (to protect KROY, KYA, KHOT). S/on was Oct. 9, 1978. Address: 212 W. Main St., Grass Valley, Cal. 95945. Format is EZL to MoR, lots of local spots so the new business is doing pretty well for itself. Next night, with KYAC still gone, KTMS was all over KWSU & frequency @ 2am. KBRE-940 noted good o/KFRN/KWRC 7pm 11/27 & 28, report sent again, came back 12/20 verifying me on the back of a business card! 11/28- KYNG-1420 noted in at day here, rare, lost to KUJ at onset of SSS. 7:02pm, KMER-950 s/off noted u/unusually strong KBRJ. 11/29- KDYL-990 s/off weak 7:15pm u/KRKT, KUII-980 noted unusually strong 7:18 o/frequency. 11/30- KBGN-1060 finally good on new frequency (ex-910) w/s/on @ 8:02am as "Christian Radio for the Boise Valley." KXEL-1540 good after pattern change @ 8:13 am; KPOW-1260 on top of frequency 9:18am, & KTEE picked out as "K-T-Double-E" with automated rr @ 9:30am. 12/1- CKML finally noted at good levels here, though earlier report of poor signal got a v/l. Good Canadian CX, as u/CKML, CFUP was GJNB-1050, 7:49am. CKDM-730 also noted o/KSVN, KURL 8:47am. 12/3-4- CPCs all in well, KCTA-1030 12/3 & KRRR-1360 12/4 especially good. KADE-1190 made out tones u/NK of nearby KEE 2:00-5:00am & later, call confirmed & report sent. Thanks to NRC'er BOB GREENLEE for this TEST! KQY, a rare one here, on top of 1240 while waiting for KPFC and all that AM 12/4. KPFC seemed to be about 15 minutes late signing on 12/4, I heard nothing until 3:45 or so. 12/11 was my next DX date, as school work & work-work really cut into DX time with finals approaching. CHL-740 5:30am & GJBC-860 6:08am noted atop respective channels L&C, strange, as no other Eastern clears were in well that night. CKML-560, new, also IDed @ 6:25 w/ID of "Nelson Radio" & local spots. I've reached my limit - GUN 7.

ATMS AT OWNING A SMALL RADIO STATION

PETER E. HUNN - 450 Forest Avenue, J-306 - Norristown, Pennsylvania - 19401

After a Summer stint on WNAB Bridgeport, Conn. I tried a couple of years of WMLC, New London, Conn., eight towers and quite a sight to see. Look for them in the night pattern book. I believe they have the smallest on-land coverage of any U.S. station in that class. There was a hurricane threat back in 1976 & many of our local fringe audience panicked & then wrote to the FCC because that night signal is just not there. WMLC made life difficult for us. The real problem was the Canadian 1510 in Quebec. WMLC's owner would contact the FCC and the story goes that the Canadian 1510 would quiet down for a bit - but after a month or so, you could see the tower lights blinking and you'd hear FRENCH. (Peter refers to CJES, Sherbrooke, Que., 50,000/10,000 U-4 -ERC) Finally, a little over a year ago, I signed up with WMOK (FM) WPEN's old FM. The CE & I are working on a new WPEN v/q. Sorry about rambling on about all the stations - but they seem to take on almost human characteristics and are old friends to a kilocycle-weary memory. It's my dream to own and operate some pentat whistle in a rural area. You know - the wife does the books - the husband does programming, sales, etc. & becomes the chief cook and antenna climber. One of the first things I'll do is print up some v/qs. I bought used equipment along the way (cart machines, gates board turntables, etc.) & thought I was going to find that special frequency on Martha's Vineyard Island. I did about a year of background work but was recently outbid for the property & tower of the now defunct WVOI-FM, Tisbury, Mass. I also had a petition to amend the FM table of assignments (Up-State N.Y.) but that was rejected due to short spacing with Canadian allocations. Now I'm investigating a low power AM frequency and maybe I'll get lucky. Speaking of luck, SM 12/3 @ 6:10am I heard WFAT. It was coming in w/a fair/good signal, w/ phone calls & T-40 format. I'd love to get a QSL but with all my attempts to get my own radio station I don't want an FCC raid to net a clip board full of addresses (mine included), so - I didn't attempt to contact WFAT. (Good thinking Peter -ERC) Well, that's about all from the WMOK studio (my record is running out). I'd like to salute all NRC members & especially those who are responsible for our fine publications. 73's.

QUITE A FEW VERIES LANDING IN COLORADO SPRINGS

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Just a short note to make sure everyone had a good Holiday. It was O.K. here. Latest DX: MM 12/18- Alas, no KILG TEST, only two new logs, KGA-1510 finally @ 4:35am, KBRC-1230 s/off w/station info 2:10am. Veries since last time, v/l: KFEL-970, KEIN-1310, KSKY-660, KVSH-940, KEEL-710, KRKS-990, WGSO-1280 (new CE will mean veries for all!), KCOW-1400. v/q- KPOW-1260. V/s sent to ERC. Not much else happening, a little snow and a lot of work so I'll s/off till next time. 73.

LET'S MAKE THE SECOND HALF OF THE WINTER DX SEASON BIG IN MUSINGS! SEND IN THOSE MUSINGS, DOUBLE-SPACED, REMEMBER, WITH EVERY MONDAY THE DEADLINE DAY. THIRTY LINE LIMIT!

RHYME WITH A REASON

PAUL MOUNT - 35 1/2 West Columbus Street - Nelsonville, Ohio - 45764

If all the DXers read Musings to see, what a poet I could be. I think rhyming in Musings is best when it has to do with DX/music/radio like what you've been doing & hearing. CHRIS HANSEN did this successfully a few years back. MM of 10/20-23, 14 new stations were logged by me. Religious talk u/WCBS, no ID but I could guess. 860, 12:10am, Spanish & music sounded keen, would like to have heard "Radio Clarin". Guess they don't use that any more; I have no armchair, so I sat on the floor. 1590, 12:45am, country music typical of Doctor D., the WOOE Radio Party. 1:00 880k, religious show - she sounded angry, then another gave time in CST. Turning the TRF to null 'CBS, the other guys did finally confess, "KRNV AM & KRNV FM" time for sign off, no more for them. They played instrumental SSB, & I helped them, "Oh say can you see." 940k, with three more today, first GEM with 21 relay. They left the air & KIOA found there, QRH from Spanish and also some rock, time about 1:20 o'clock. WHLL-940 AM, high school promo then CatStevens gem. On 930k for an hour I'd be, first ID from pest 'FMD. Beautiful music Stereo-99, now give the calls, that'll be fine. But their ID I didn't know, instead I got WBEW from Buffalo. They went into news @ 2, and the other I soon knew, WTAD & WQCT, simulcasting, SSB, & then good bye. All day, all night, all nice the gentle sound of 9-20 KARN. No George, no Ted, I won't say that again. Now, this is what you prospective Carroll Seth's should do. If you want to write poetry, rhymes, write it about what you've been hearing, not eating, not dreaming of hearing in Arabia. Now to 'normal' language. Tones I described as 'bwol, bwol' & HILL COLEMAN better described as sweep tones also used by WTAE were heard by us on 930 and the phone. WFMD, Md. signed off @ 2:30 'for technical adjustment', leaving WBEW & someone else. First ID heard from KIUP was @ 3:06. I spoke to Chuck Kelly about ten minutes previously and he mentioned calls from MIKE HEFFPE, ROB KEENEY, & GERRY THOMAS. He also said that IDs were every 100 seconds. WFMD was the 1,000Hz tone that most of you heard; KIUP ran only sweep tones while I listened 2:10 to 3:14. When WFMD was on w/TT or mx they were well atop and KIUP was still audible but way under. V/l is back from them for verie #2. First is from WNVL. I sent them a "heard-you thank-you" card, did not ask for a verie, but they sent one. I don't send reception reports on postcards in practice, hi. Totals: 196/32/2/8, up 14.

HAS HIMSELF A NEW RECEIVER

HILL WURTZEL - 32 West 31 Street - New York, New York - 10001

12/4 & 12/20/78

The KFUD-850-TEST was heard from Mo. The Sony ICF-8000 brought in audio but not clear. The TRF gave me understandable voices, & I heard mention of the British & parachutes, on their WWII training records. I had an enjoyable time at RAY ARRUDA's GTG in Mass. He's really devoted to the hobby. I stayed up till 4am DXing on his TRF & SL-133. Many SSES from SA came in, & I believe Mexico City on 1110 while WBT was off. At 650 I heard in SS "La Mas Popular de Concoas" around 3:54am, probably the Dominican Republic with their new 20kw signal. I'm having lots of good listening on the Patrolman CE-8 from Realistic. Thank you, BOB GREENLEE, for the nice letter from KADE in Colorado. KADE needs a power increase! In November, I picked up a used Barlow-Wadley XCR-30 from an SW DXer in N.Y. It is a fine set for SW & uses large drum type tuning. It operates on batteries. This week I went out to the 47th Street Photo Store in town & bought the Panasonic RF-2200. Trying it out today when I got home, both WTOP-1500 & WKBW-1530 came in at 3:15pm in the afternoon by turning up the RF gain. I considered getting the model with digital readout but it was much heavier than I thought & opted for the more portable model. It has six SW bands, AM & FM, a gyro-antenna that turns & folds down. I paid \$129 plus 8% sale tax of \$10.32. I considered getting the Sony ICF-5900 but like the Panasonic better. Now I hope to contribute some real DX in the future, DDXD & IDXD get ready! The RF's are coming. I would like to hear from any DXers who have comments or criticisms of my poetry. How can I improve my style, content, & topics? Drop me a line & I promise to answer everyone. Don't worry, I can talk without speaking in rhyme. I spoke with HILL COLEMAN of N.C. this week & he plans to pay a visit to N.Y. & I've asked him to stay here for the few days instead of in a hotel by himself. In the Spring I plan to hold an open house & GTG here in N.Y. & will be able to put up two DXers overnight, so make your reservations early! I have 5,000 records to entertain you with. Let me close with two linericks:
One day while taking a shower
I spent nearly one hour
Washing off some grease
WNYC got a power increase
To 50kw, and turned on the new power!

Nothing else on New York's AM band can top
WOR's very annoying slop
Spreading from 680 to 730
Sounding like a weird birdie
Going flip-flop, flip-flop, flip-flop!

WE WELCOME A NEW NEW ENGLANDER INTO THE FOLD - MUSE OFTEN, STEVEN!

STEVEN D. MILLER - 368 Quincy Street - Boston, Massachusetts - 02125

Hello, NRCers - my name is Steven D. Miller. I'm 17 years old and I've been a CB enthusiast since 10/10/78. I've heard 22 states and three provinces. I'm an ex-IRCAan. I DX with the so popular Realistic TRF, which is great. I also think the Club's bulletin is a fine publication. For RAY ARRUDA, my receiver is the Realistic TRF. I've got a lot of Musings to send in. And finally a warm hello to fellow IRCAans PAUL MOUNT, WILLIAM P. TOWNSEND, & BRIAN P. SHERWOOD & BRUCE PORTZEL. Hey guys, I'm going to return with IRCA. Wow - you had me worried. Happy Holidays, 73's & good DX.

WE'RE WELCOMING ALL THE RECENT NEW MUSERS AGAIN, AND ASKING THEM TO CONTINUE TO MUSE OFTEN! DON'T FORGET TO DOUBLE SPACE - SKIP A LINE BETWEEN YOUR LINES, THAT IS! 30 LINE LIMIT! AND WHILE YOU'RE AT IT, INCLUDE SEPERATELY YOUR RECENT VERIE SIGNERS, ALSO DOUBLE-SPACED.

*ST. LOUIS '79 - THE YEAR OF THE LOADED BEVERAGE!

WALTER BREVILLE - 9127 Coral Drive - ST. LOUIS, Missouri - 63123

Another year is gone & a couple of milestones, which means another mind-intro: I turned 40 in December, am still single, finishing 15 years of NRC membership and looking forward to many more. I started chasing "stations between the stations" about 25 years ago. From 1958 through 1961 at Rolla, Mo. I logged around 350 stations on a table radio including such WC stations as KNEB, KNX & KPWB-980, believing I was maybe the only person in the USA to accomplish this until I discovered the existence of radio clubs and NRC in late '63. As for totals, I've lost track of them - on purpose. I have found it more relaxing to DX without getting steamed: up in any competition-type endeavor, and more effective use of time with less frustration since I quit sending reception reports except for TESTS & new states. It's very nice to get a good v/l or v/q, but it seems fewer and fewer stations send them out in recent years, with more DXers realizing they do not prove anything. I still keep logs in order to know if I have a new catch & maybe I ought to add 'em up again, with somewhere over 900 heard & maybe approaching 1,000 now. PAUL MOUNT, my TRF also has that weird "two-position effect" on its tone control, but no trouble with my volume control yet. I think your best solution is to put it aside & go out & buy a new radio like a GE AM-FM TRF portable, or one of those new Panasonics or Sonys or FRGs. When you collect radios, each one gets 1488 wear & tear, I now have 12 of them. If I get disgusted with one I use one of the others or add to the collection. My best one is an HQ-180A & SR-2 Space Magnet, I sure hope it keeps running. My oldest is an Atwater Kent model 46 (circa 1928) that can sometimes be coaxed to pull in XERF. I also have an SW-4a & SSR-1, both pretty good except the SSR-1 is prone to overloading, spurs & images in strong local signal areas. I finally finished the 500' loaded mind-beverage at my countrycabin. First new catch using it was on Dec. 9 after local SSS with KEND-1590, Lubbock, Tex. in good. While tuned to 1070 I switched from the 40' wire around the cabin to the beverage and KMX leaped out of the mud like a frog whose tail was set on fire! I am looking forward to trying it out more the next two weekends. WX permitting, stay tuned for more DX & Convention info, soon. The mind-beverage is the same type with loading coils cooked up by FRANK DAILLEY & described in the 1/10/77 DX NEWS. Here's wishing all a Happy New Year, & '73's.

A NEW GOSPEL STATION IS PROJECTED FOR GUATEMALA

PHIL BOERSMA - 15570 Cleveland Street - Spring Lake, Michigan - 49456 (Two Musings)
Big news this week is not good, at least for residents of one Upper Peninsula of Michigan town. WNEY-1340/AM-93.5 was destroyed by fire. (1450, no? -ERC) The fire was discovered at this station (licensed to Newberry, Mich.) 90 minutes after s/off on 12/23. This leaves the Luce County area without local radio service, & there is no indication when WNEY might go back on. Ironically, WNEY had just been sold, subject to FCC approval, two weeks before the fire. Its owner had to sell, as he is terminally ill. It's a jungle department: On his 12/25 broadcast, evangelist Jimmy Swaggart mentioned he will be starting a 50kw AM station in Guatemala. He mentioned the frequency as 800kHz. Question: Won't this mess up Bonaire, which is also a "missionary" station? Or did I read somewhere that TWR is suspending operations on MW? I can't recall for sure. If TWR is not vacating 800, both stations will probably negate each other. If TWR is leaving MW in the Caribbean, it would probably be smarter for Swaggart to purchase TWR's 500kw facility. WLDG-940, St. Ignace, Mich is off the air for an indefinite period. Seems the entire staff, including the GM, walked off the job a few days before Christmas in a dispute with the owner. Also the FCC will be breaking down the frequencies dominated for some 60 years by the class 1A clear channel stations. These stations (like WBZ, WGN, WHAS, etc.) will be protected from interference only within a 750 mile radius of their XR, with new stations to be set up outside that radius. According to UPI, the FCC said the new stations will be in the "200-500w range". Whether the 1A's will be required to go directional at night was not indicated. FCC Chairman Ferris estimated about 125 new stations will be accommodated on these frequencies, although in my opinion, many will probably be current daytimers who change frequency in order to go AM. It might be a locoong court fight over this by the 1A's, though. In any case, you can throw superpower out the window. In the matter of AM stereo, it looks like it's not as imminent as it seemed. It appears the MARBA Treaty may have to be partially re-negotiated to allow AM stereo, as current rules do not allow a multiplexing of AM signals, as would be the case with some of the AM stereo systems under proposal. Finally, WKJR's sister station, WKPR-1420, currently a 1kw daytimer, has filed w/the FCC to be allowed to go 5kw fulltime, DA-2. (U-4 - ERC) Even the consulting engineer says there's only about a 50-50 chance of that application being accepted by the FCC, though, due to WGRD-1410 in Grand Rapids during the day, & mucho stations to protect at night. All for now, '73's.

ALMOST A DX REPORT PER DAY THIS SEASON

ELLIOTTEL STRAUS - 27 Devon Drive - West Orange, New Jersey - 07052 201-736-1681
Time for a quick Muse during my report writing. Speaking of reports, I've now sent out 81 in 88 days since 10/1. Recent veries include: WKMI-1360, WNBC-1340, WHWB-1000, KLRN-1010, & WLBZ-620. Recent receptions are: 12/18- WKMI-1360, CFGM-1320. 12/20- WGBR-1150, WPEL-1250, WSLM-1220. 12/21- WCCZ-1550, WREV-1220, WLAS-910. 12/25- CHRY-1290, CKCV-1280, GJLM-1350. On MM Christmas morn, almost all Canadians ran late, AN in some cases & I logged three new FCCs, also many domestics were on that are usually off MMs, for example: WBAL, WCKY & many regionals. Totals are 1416/609, 70/28, 44/40, 9/8 w/62 new stations & 31 veries back since 10/1. Our NE network is in full swing on MMs from 2:30 until 5am, with myself, RAY AR-RUDA & JOHN KROMKA in constant communication. All DXers are welcome to join in. Give me a call during those times at the above number if interested in late tips or testers' IDs, we have three guys to check them out. See ya next week. 3's.

LOGS PANAMA on 800

ERIC FADER - 23-35 Bell Boulevard - Bayside, New York - 11360

12/18/78

And, some more DX from the King of Surprises. 12/12 SSS- Unn W30Q-1220 good w/s/off mentioning 100 FM, 4:30pm. Local WHEE-1520 signed off all month @ 4:45, why? Maps say 4:30. I'm not sure but I seem to recall them doing this every year. MM 12/18- Locals signing off all over the place on FM, then I turned on the TRF & got more of the same. WMCA-570, WVNJ-620, WNBC-660 & WOR-710 (and CKLW-800, hi), all locals, all off or Tling around 12:40am. Unn WKRC-550 very loud w/"55-KRC" IDs, great steady signal, & MoR, @ 1:30. WCBZ-880 joined the off'ers, welcome spur silence from 1:35 or thereabouts. Unn R. Melodia-730 loud, 1:30. WBBM-780 also apparently off briefly around 1:30, back by 1:22. Unn R. La Ex- itosa-800 extremely strong on peaks w/SIDs & lively mx, 1:37-1:43, w/many IDs, & promo stype stuff ("La Exitosa is my radio station" type) like "La Exitosa es alegria." ERC: As you've probably noticed, they say "La Exitosa de provincias centrales". Anyone who still needs them should have no problem w/CKLW off or u/AU CX. The 850 HJ was local-like 1:45, even louder than Clarin-860. I wasted some time on IEM-900, 1:50-2:05, as I didn't realize they were siked on at that time. They had yelling M & F DJs, fast SS mx & exuberant commercials & promos. Now a slew of unIDs to wind up the AM. Low TT-1460, 2:12. UnID talk on 1360, likely unn WKAT Fla. as WIOD was fair by 2:23. Another low TT, this time on 1350 o/WSLR, 2:18. UnID SS-610 w/MIP & mess, 2:28, maybe the unn HJ? Nothing like a few unIDs to get the ol' blood flowing, hi. Please do not call and ask why. '73's.

FOREIGN DX NOT SO HOT

PITT McNEIL - 3723 T Street N.W. - Washington, D. C. - 20007

DX? What's that? No such creature has visited my place in quite a while. Seriously though, about the only BCB DXing I've done in the past three months has been on my Pioneer stereo RX, & the only thing of note is that R. Caracas-950 rolls in every night to 12:00 s/off. Anyway, it seems like every time I crank up the ol' DL-160, the only TAs I get are Monaco & W. Germany. I remember just a couple of years ago hearing Rome-845, Spain-737 & Lisbon-665 every night, the latter being of steady quality for hours at a time. And that was just with a crummy longwire. And now, nothing. Same sort of deal on the tropical bands SW now, too, where flea-powered Peruvians used to be in any time, and now are at whisper levels. Electrical noise is at all time high too. I had a power outage the other night, and turned on the TRF, & presto, no electrical noise. No DX either, 'cause of poor CX. So much for that, hi. To NICK HALL-PATCH: Sorry I never compiled the SW parallels list. I started it, but put it aside for another project and never got back to it. If you want the up-to-the-minute Far East coverage of SW (and some MW) try to get a copy of the "Down Under DX Survey." Also, back in October I think I heard a station on 900 IDing as WKBW, no doubt about the calls, apparently in N.Y. state, but w/a different jingle than on 1520, & certainly not //1520. Any ideas what this was, anybody? (WKDW, Staunton, Va. - ERC) Latest news I've seen is that the FCC has approved about 125 stations to fill up the clear channel spots w/local coverage; I think I'll take up stamp collecting, hi. '73 & good DX.

ANGRY YOUNG MAN

JOHN KROMKA - Box 86 - Montville, New Jersey - 07045

Hi again, everyone. I will have to say out of all honesty that in my opinion this year's CPC TEST season STINKS! No one seems to want to write a few letters. When you compare this CPC season to one five years ago, it's a difference of night & day. Jeez, five years ago there were as many as five TESTS every MM in a season. That was beautiful. Obviously, there has been a drastic decline in the amount of TESTS as each year passes. It doesn't make much sense, there are more members in this club every year so that means more people to arrange TESTS, no? The only reason I can see for the CPC decline is that as time goes by station CE's are becoming more & more against the CPCer. They don't answer letters, & they probably mumble to themselves as they read CPC TEST requests something to the following effect: "Why should I reply, what the heck am I getting out of it?" Considering this, I try my hardest to make my CPC letters to sound so that the TEST will be for the station's benefit, not the NRC's. I have listened to old CPC TESTS on tape via ex-NRC member ERIC HAVEMANN, where they are actual DX TESTS, mentioning the NRC repeatedly, doing CIDs, doing tone modulations at various frequencies, asking for phone calls, mentioning people who have called, going into the history of the station & the town itself. TESTS I would call real excellent quality CPC TESTS, that are a pleasure to listen to & report to. CE's who cared. Now about 5% care. They are all college graduates who don't care about radio clubs, who go to work, earn their bread, & go home. Of course, there are some good souls left, & these are usually the old-timers. Most of the TESTS I have been fortunate enough to arrange were either Pop's or TESTS dictated to me at the station's convenience. 99% of the stations I've contacted will definitely not TEST for DX purposes, some even going as far as to send me FCC rules & regulations copies. Now! Even last year's CPC TEST asked was ten times better than this season's. What's the matter with all of you? Are we all content to sit on our butts and read the efforts of others in DX NEWS? Well, if that's the case I feel sorry for the future of CPC. I'm getting perturbed over the non-support. All I know is that the CPC is slowly dying, the facts are clear. I'll keep doing my part, in that I've just sent out 50 CPC letters recently, so we'll see what turns up. Hey, JERRY STARR, how do you feel about the CPC TEST decline over the years? '73's. (It certainly isn't only CE's at radio stations who have the "What's in it for me?" attitude - look at some of the professional athletes who have "defected" to other teams for the almighty dollar, for one example - ERC)

LET'S SEE THOSE MUSINGS, MEN! THE MORE THE BETTER! OUR DEADLINE IS EVERY MONDAY'S MAIL.

"DX DOWN THE DIAL" REVISED

MARK BAILLY - "The Huger Muser" - 1414 Braden Crescent - Norfolk, Virginia - 23502
 Since my last Muse, I haven't received one single new station. Not one! So, instead of reporting new catches, I'll give you a rundown of nighttime stations which are regular around here: 540kc/s- Absolutely nothing, a dead frequency! 550- Usually a three-way fight among WGR/WSVA/Cuba. 560- WFIL/WIS usually dominant, sometimes WGAJ/WQAM/WJLS. 570- WMSM/Cuban usually take care of this frequency, sometimes WWNC. 580- WCHS lately has been in all by itself although others which can be heard are WHP/WGAC/WDEB. 590- Cuba dominates, others heard are WOTM/WLVA/WFLO. 600- Cuban again dominates, WQAG/WSJS are also heard. 610- WIP/WSLC fight it out. 620- WDNC/WHEN. 630- WMAL/Cuban. 640- WFLC/Cuban. 650- WSM. 660- WNBC. 670- WMAQ/Cuban. 680- WPTF/WCBM w/equal strength. 690- CBF, I can also hear WJPE early, evenings, WYI/KGGF, which is rare. 700- WLW. 710- WDR. 720- brings in WGM/Cuban. 730- brings in CHTR. 740- CEM/KRNG, sometimes WKIS. 750- WSB. 760- WJR. 770- WABC. 780- WBBM. 800- CBLW & sometimes PJB/XEROX. 810- WGY. 820- WBAP. 830- WCOO/WHYC. 840- WRAS. 860- CJCB. 870- WML. 880- WCBS. 890- WLS. 900- CHML/CKTS/IEW. 910- WHLS. 920- Usually WBBM/WHEH. 930- WBBM/WFMD/WBOG, sometimes WPAT/WONT. 940- WYI/XBQ/CEM. 950- WZZD/WKAZ/WSPA. 960- WBOC/WFIR. 970- WWDJ/WWSW/WANN/WAVE mess. 980- WRC/WPHG. 990- WFLZ/WNDX. 1000- WFLX. 1010- WJNS/CFBR/KLRA. 1020- KDKA. 1030- WBZ. 1040- WHO. 1050- WEN/CHUM. 1060- KYW/WDOE. 1070- WIBC, which is beamed down my chimney, & also WJNA/WJCT. 1080- WTIC/WILO. 1090- WBLM. 1100- WWWE. 1110- WBT. 1120- KMIX. 1130- WHEM. 1140- WRVA. 1150- WDBL/CROC/WJMA. 1160- KSL, after WJJD s/off. 1170- WVA. 1180- WHAM. 1190- WQOW. 1200- WDAI. 1210- WCAU. 1220- WQAR. 1240- WROV. 1250- WTAR/WTMA/WDNA mess. 1260- WHDC/WCHY. 1270- Believe it or not, CHGJ dominates. Others: WYZZ/WSPR/WTNT. 1280- WADD. 1290- WFBG/WTOG/WHIO. 1300- WFR. 1320- WVOJ/WOIC. 1330- WISD/WFBC/WBIM. 1360- WDR. 1370- WSPD/WFPA/WDFP. 1380- WTVR/WBWX. 1390- WGSB/WKAM. 1410- KQV/WPOP/WDOV. 1420- WKX/WBSM/WVJS. 1430- WJWR/CKPH. 1440- WAJR/WQOK. 1450- WOL. 1460- WOMB/WPRM/WPDQ. 1470- WSAW/WHIG. 1480- WLEZ/WAME. 1500- WTOP. 1510- WLAC/WITS. 1520- WKBW. 1530- WKY. 1540- KXEL/WPTA. 1550- CBE/WBSC. 1560- WQXR o/Cuban. 1570- CFOR/CKLM/XERF. 1580- WCLS/WSPR. 1590- WAKR/WIQI/WKIT. 1600- WINK/WKEN/WFRC. What are best bets for Mont., Wyo. & Nev.? "Huger" means my Muses are very l-o-n-g, I just used "Huger" to rhyme w/Muser, understood? Come on people; let 's see some GOOD CPC TESTS before the season is over. I did not try for KILG as I underest. I woke @ 3:45am instead of 5. Oh well, it wasn't in anyway. so no time was wasted. I definitely will try for the WJAP TEST. That's it - 73's, good DX.

LOTS OF SIGN OFFS HEARD

EDWARD R. COTTON - 4106 Second Street - Chesapeake, Virginia - 23324
 Happy New Year to all. This Muse covers 11/17 to 11/30/78. Lots of DX so here it is. 5:06pm 11/17, WFYB-1130 N.C. w/ads for Dunn, N.C. 11/18- 5:28pm, WBAF-1090 Ga. s/off; 5:29 WBBR-1090 Tenn. s/off. 11/19- 5pm, WEZZ-1440 Ky. s/off fair, 5:30 WMTI-1090 S.C. s/off, mentioned serving upper Savannah area. 11/20- 5:14pm WREB-1220 N.C. s/off fair, 5:30 WFOG- 1010 N.C. w/WX for N.C., Ga., Tenn., & Va., s/off. 11/23- 5:45pm, WACR-1050 Miss. s/off. 5:48, WKRI-1050 Ala. s/off. 11/25- 5:29, WHEM-1110 Ill. s/off good, no WBT; 5:47 WNES-1050 Ky. s/off, 6:01 KIOA-940 Ia. VID. 11/27- 5:15pm, WKSP-1090 S.C. s/off fair, 5:47 WOTL-1280 Fla. rr s/off fair, 5:51, WMOK-1260 Fla. w/c/w; 6:05 WMYR-1410 Fla. w/SID weak/clear, 6:13 WCOA-1370 Fla., good signal, WX, VID. 6:47pm, WKAT-1360 Fla. call-in SX show. 11/28- 5:45 WSLM-1220 Ind. s/off fair. 11/29- 6:05pm, WKKI-1280 Fla. w/Mutual, N.J., editorial, fair, 6:43pm WMEK-980 Va. c/w fair. 11/30- 5:10pm, WCIL-1020 Ill. SX good, no KDKA at all, 5:39, KATZ-1600 Mo. PSA for crime prevention w/ST. LOUIS Police Chief, 5:45 KEOA-830 Mo. s/off, weak/clear. That's it for now. December will be in my next Muse. So far this year four CPC TESTS have been heard by me. They are, KIUP-930 Col., WNDJ-970 N.J., KCTA-1030 Tex, KADE-1190 Col. All but WNDJ were taped & all have been verified. Three months ago I had never heard Colorado. Now I have logged three Col. stations & verified two. May everyone hear whole bunches of new DX this new year. 73's.

DX SAILS IN ON HIS WATERPATH

MARC DeLORRIZZO - Box 466 - Centerville, Massachusetts - 02632
 Greetings from Cape Cod, land of the waterpath, right, Ernie! (Write! -ERC)
 DX: 12/14- WREB-1550 Fla. L&C in SS 5:01pm; WTGR-1520 S.C. L&C w/rr 5:08; WCRJ-1530 Fla. good, atop w/ads, religious mx 5:14; WOTO-540 Fla. L&C w/c/w, ads 5:26-5:30 s/off - heard on TRF w/an incredible signal for 250 watts (critical hours). 12/15- WCRJ-1070 W.Va. fair w/CBA @ 5:15pm s/off. 12/16- WIOD-610 Fla. excellent, atop w/ID before joining Larry King @ 1:06am. MM 12/18, an excellent high-band TA opening this AM kept me busy - details in last week's IDKD, I believe. I did note three domestic testers: WGOE-1590 Fla. BT/mx 12:05; WTTI-1530 Ga. fair on ET/rr mx 3:15-3:19; and KOTI-1550 fair/weak on f/c-TT 4:00-4:12 - the only ID heard was at 4:00 - any help on this one would be much appreciated. I suspect KOKA Shreveport as CX were good to Dixie and very poor to the West - thus KOBY or KOQT seem very unlikely. That PM, WSRF-1580 Fla. SURFACING w/album rock & "Surf-16" IDs @ 5:10. 12/20- WBEQ-1550 N.C. excellent with Christmas carol to 4:59pm s/off, no anthem. One minute later, WYNA-1550 N.C. fair, atop @ 5 s/off w/SSB; WBSC-1550 S.C. fair, atop w/WX & jingle 5:04; annoying WQXR-1560 spurs on 1541 & 1579 tonight and lasting for several days. This is plus/minus 19kc from 1560. 12/21- WNET-1070 L&C w/N.C. promo, ID, carol @ 4:56pm; WKO-1580 O. good, atop @ 5:14 s/off folo by WCNB-1580 Ind. weak @ 5:15 s/off - very rare to hear a Midwest daytimer at s/off here - most of my skip is to the South because of the afore-mentioned waterpath. WSSA-1570 Ga. fair @ 5:30 s/off, no anthem. Actually, I arrived on the channel in time to hear the last one second of RS: "WSSA, Morrow." Strange! 12/22- WCCZ-1550 Fla. good w/ads to 5:31 s/off, no anthem; WMOC-1550 Ala. good w/Mission for Children 5:42pm. 12/23- WTAL-1560 Fla. weak w/WQXR w/c/w 5:29pm; WTQX-1570 Ala. fair w/mostly ads 5:38-5:43 s/off w/gospel tune. 73, & have fun in the snow. (It NEVER snows on Cape Cod, Marc! -ERC)

NO LUCK ON KILG-ALASKA TEST

NEIL ZANK - 623 Lyncrest Drive - Lincoln, Nebraska - 68510
 I again have the urge to fit my typer to my fingers and manufacture a Muse. This one will feature some DX and some mouthing off, I guess. A few general observations on things heard on the band are that KWK-1380, ST. LOUIS is noted back on the air after a long silent period; and also noted is that KAAM-1310 Dallas has been using Mutual MX on the hour rather than UPI as listed in the new Log. On the subject of the Log, it is a fine looking publication. You people using only Vane Jones or White's Log are missing a great deal! DX down the dial follows. MM 12/18- I joined the crowd in trying for Alaska from KILG-670 but no luck at all, only Cuba & Venezuela heard here. I did add one new catch plus a state capital in KVET-1300 Austin, Tex. 2:45-3am w/c/w wF DJ. Morning of 12/17 brought WCAW-680 W. Va., Charleston, up loud @ 5am w/ID, into c/w mx (this period was supposed to be KNER's SF) per WC tip. Non-news logged for a try at veries include KOKA-1550 Shreveport, La. on ET/TT 12/18 1:30-1:40am & KFLL-1060 Preston, Minn. 5:10-5:20pm 12/20 with a strong of seven or eight commercial spots. Today 12/21, a welcome newbie @ SSS in WLEH-930 Auburndale, Wis. w/NPR programming 4:55-5:15pm & two IDs. And that's my late DX. It looks like JOHN HOOGERHIDE is getting enough DX & veries for the whole Club, hi. On the CPC scene, have you been counting the TESTS listed on schedule? Pretty bleak, eh? Also, regarding a recent Muser's comments on CPC-Station Relations, let me add my opinion. If a station is interested in the TEST suggestion, it does not take much imagination to put together a TEST which can fit the situation re legality. This past weekend I enjoyed an area GTG at ERNIE WESOLOWSKI's house in Omaha. So long until tomorrow.

TOO MANY ANS DRIVES HIM TO SSS DX

STEPHEN J. MCINTIRE - 2225 Searle Street - Des Moines, Iowa - 50317
 I return to the "LIVING NRC" after a few month's absence. The big news here is that KDAO-1190 Marshalltown, Ia. is on RS; first noted here on 12/17 (easiest newbie in some time, hi). Mx heard is the rr/pop type; but I haven't been able to listen long enough to be sure of their format. Also of note is WKKI-1300 ex-WRBC was heard 11/11 on AN w/soul mx; that's three changes for your NRC Log, hi. XEHR-1140 has been dominant here most SM's w/WRVA off, so it should be an easy catch over most of the country. Speaking of Mexicans on SM, XEB has an interesting show starting about 1:30, "Goodie Train" featuring soul mx & sponsored by a "spiritual advisor" & a hair growing tonic. Definitely classic Mexican radio! DX has been fairly productive over the past few months w/log totals going over 950. Almost all has been of the twilight type; my body doesn't seem to be up to the strain of AN sessions any more, & the ever-worsening AN situation doesn't encourage me to stay up either. Highlights: 10/9- A glorious Columbus Day. Much wanteds KJWW-1450, ZNSI-1540 & KLOU-1580 all finally made it between 2 & 3am; ZNS made Country #26. That evening, long sought WEA-970 came in on about the 50th try @ 7pm. WREB-1580 was a good SRS catch 10/11 @ 7:44am. 10/14- WOSU-820 just made it in u/WAIT @ s/off, 8pm. 10/16- A shock on SRS was KNAB-1140 Colo. @ 8:15. 10/19, SSS - A good night to the SW: umm KSVF-990 N.H. was in well even after power change to 250w & KKIT-990 arrived in style @ 8:59. 10/22- Another shocker was KALT-1090 on SSS @ 8:05; generally KAXY is in like a local & slops like one too! MM 10/23- KIUP TEST was in well past KIOA slop with the ward TTs noted by others. 10/24- CHIN-1540 was a good SRS catch o/KXEL w/KE NX @ 7:35am. 10/25- A good AU brought HJZD-1020 @ 8:02pm. 11/7- SSS saw WHCU-870 making it past a milled WML @ 6, & HRSF came in w/ERS on WGO @ 8:30. 11/10- An Okie SSS festival. First, KQCV-800 @ 6:02, then KSP1-780 u/WJAG w/WBBM milled @ 6:14 s/off. 11/13 SSS- Good to SW w/KKH & XEER both appearing. 11/30- A very good SSS session w/two new Texans, KFLP-900 @ 6:20 & KKEE-1220 @ 6:29, then much-wanted KBND-1220 Denver w/SX in SS at 6:31pm. Oh yes, for Jayhawk fans, KCMO-810, WREN-1250 & KVGB-1590 among others are carrying Kansas BKB this season. 73.

JOHN AND OLD MAN RIVER KEEP ROLLING ALONG

JOHN HOOGERHIDE - 105 Bayside Lane - Brandenburg, Kentucky - 40108
 QSLs keep coming- WFBF, KKDA, KDDD, WTJH, WJYM, WLAQ, KADE, who said they were heard coast-to-coast on TEST, KQMO whose friendly Lee Brooks sounds like a good lead for a TEST, & WNAD. Many of this group were out over a month. 12/13- KIOA-940 on tape w/F announcer, 6am. More QSLs: WBLU & WUME whose CE is an NRC member & says he would like to do a TEST once antenna is moved to FM antenna in January. 12/15- WJZA-1600 atop @ 5:25, WATM-1590 s/off 5:45, no mx. Then highly AU as WMOO/WLUX both @ 6pm s/off. On 1440 KDNT @ KEXY w/latter s/off 6:15 w/America. 12/16- KRLW-1320 s/off @ 5:45pm, KWCK-1300 F announcer w/SX @ 5:48, KLAZ-1250 @ 5:50 w/F w/SX. 12/17- WRON/WUFF-710 & WLLI-730 all s/off, no anthem, 5:30pm. KKH-850 w/F, accented EE & SS type programs @ 6:05pm, off @ 6:30 u/KFOU, WSEF-1580 s/off @ 5:45pm. 12/18- Am I hearing things? WLW again silent - two MMs in a row - maybe regular now! TT on 1340 off @ 1:19 - probably KXED. XEWK-1190 way atop all @ 1:45 for new log, R. Reloj-580 San Juan on top @ 1:45, lots of IDs. R. Reloj-700 also on top here - I still don't know who the other equally powerful SS on 700 is. Very weak SS @ 2:18am on 1576. I have noted this one before but I've never seen it reported by anyone. R. Super-1200 Cali was way over R. Tiempo @ 2:30am. R. Cordillera-1190 Bogota atop @ 2:40am. R. Super-710 Medellin atop WGBS testing @ 3am for the third time. Three new HJ logs in 30 minutes! KPOF-910 very loud, NX, @ 3am. WTTI-1530 testing w/mx @ 3:19; WKVI-1600 w/NX @ 3:15. YVNA-660 Coro had apparent s/on @ 3:50am. Ecos del Combate-1025 atop @ 4am, and Log #1,000 w/KAAM-1310 @ 4:10.

MANY MEN SMOKE, BUT FOO MEN CHEW. LIKEWISE, MANY NRCERS ARE BEMOANING THE LACK OF SPECIAL TESTS THIS SEASON. WE COULD USE SOME IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THESE AND OTHER NRCERS AS WE HEAD INTO THIS SECOND HALF OF THE DX SEASON. WHY NOT STOP IN AND VISIT YOUR LOCAL STATIONS, WHICH IN SO MANY CASES, WOULD MAKE IDEAL CATCHES FOR MANY OTHER MEMBERS? OR WRITE TO JERRY STARR FOR DETAILS ON HOW YOU TOO MAY BECOME A CPC WORKER. YOU ARE NEEDED! NOW!

DDID EDITOR IS PULLIN' 'EM IN TOO

RAY ARRUDA - 47 Burt Street - Acushnet, Massachusetts - 02743

Veries are in from WIMA-1150, CHT-1260, WOGO-1590, WOOE-1590 & WIXY-1600. WIXY went AM-7 as of 12/18 w/ABC public affairs programs to 4:00, then c/w. V/I just back says I am the first DXer to report them operating in their new AN sked. Here are a few other items heard during the holidays: Acting on an ERC tip, WJAT-800 r/c heard fair on Tuesday AM 12/19 12:45-1:00 w/Dixieland mx & IDs announcing f/c. (That tip originated with GARY SINGEL -ERC). CRLW was off, CJAD/XEROX QRM. Afternoon of 12/21 I had CKJD-1110 nearly covering WBT in RS w/IDs, promos, and many IDs from 4:50-5:05. SM 12/24 brought CJBK-1290 in long & loud enough for report 4:46-5:02am w/VIDs, T-40 mx mixing w/WNBF. WICE-1290 was off, but signed on along w/WKNE @ 7am. WKNE-1290 needed for a report, but not enough copy this time so we'll try again next week. Christmas morning 12/25- Many Canadians AMing, but only one new one, thanks to a tip this time from ELIOT STRAUS, in the form of CHOK-1070, Sarnia, Ont. with IDs, wishing everyone Season's Greetings, few announcements, playing c/w style Christmas mx 2:28-3:03am. They were weak, but alone on the frequency. Support the verie signers column. 73. (And Domestic DX Digest! -ERC)

WE WELCOME THIS NEW STATEN ISLAND MEMBER & HOPE HE'LL CHECK IN HERE OFTEN

BILL BERGADANO - 39 Marble Street - Staten Island, New York - 10314

Hi all. I'm new to NRC (since 9/78), and haven't yet Mused - till now. I'm 80 years old and a student at the College of Staten Island, trying to 'resurrect' WWSI, the campus radio station. Don't try to hear it - it's a campus station, yes, but an MoR-er for our lounge. WOWO it's not. The IRs for me are a Panasonic RF-1150 & a GE portable. On SW it's a Realistic Patrolman 10. However I just put a TRF on the desk. All MW DX is done only on the rig's antennas. Some recent SSS DX: WVKO, Columbus, O. @ 5:14pm totally unsuspected (but not unwelcome, hi). WLIJ, Shelbyville, Tenn. @ 5:06pm w/wrp (?? -ERC) walking o/WFGG 12/5. WKEY, Talladega, Ala. @ 5:18pm, and commercials a report do make, so I did and got a v/I back in ten days. I'm hoping for a bunch of TA's, and for Voice of Cuba SP, hi. Question- If WNBC & WGSB are non-directional, why the mulls? I can take both and null them out! Skyline blockage? Anywhere I go around here, I can null both. Until next time 73s & a Happy New Year and may you "grab" the elusive GY'er in '79.

LONG TIME NO HEAR FROM

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I thought I would send my Musing for the quarter. I have been a little slow in Musing. I want to thank everyone for the Christmas cards and such. I hope that everyone has been doing fine on the radio dials. I have once again given my Season's Greetings to my friends of the NRC on the phone. My year has been very productive due to the hard work I have spent on radios and antennas. If anyone wants any R-390's I have a friend who has some for sale. My friends in NRC are what keep me going. Why don't some of the newcomers and some of the oldtimers re-introduce themselves in Ernie's Musings? I have heard some African and German TA's several times. Also I have heard many of the CPC TESTS. I have heard a tentative KILG Alaska on Dec. 18 w/a 1kc, tone @ 6am on my radio with 1kc band width setting. Did anyone hear the Alaska TEST? If so, please let me know because I need Alaska. The other states that I need are New Hampshire and Hawaii. Which station in N.H. is the easiest catch in the South? If anyone has any trouble getting a Mississippi station please let me know. I hope that Christmas and New Year is joyous to everyone.

M O T H B A L L M E M O R I E S

CHAPTER LXIX - WOO/WOO - ONE HEN, TWO DUCKS, THREE SQUAWKING GEESSE -by PETE KEMP.

All aboard the Night Train. Ernie "Woo Woo" Ginsburg ruled the airwaves in Boston over WHEX from 1956 to 1967. Ernie was another DJ fond of unusual sounds and used them often on his Night Train Show. His Friday night record hops at the Surf Ballroom at Nantasket Beach have become legendary. The local hang out, Adventure Car Hops, even offered a two-for-one special if you mentioned his name and finally the epitome of success, having a hamburger in your honor, the Ginsburger. Farther on down the Boston radio dial was WBZ and its all night favorite on the East Coast, Dick Summer. His soothing voice and excellent command of the English language made him an alternative to the cackling rhythm of the Woo Woo. Summer's tongue-twisting, one hen, two ducks, three squawking geese routine was the envy of every potential DJ. Dick Summer left WBZ and returned to his home town, New York, to take on new listeners, this time on FM at WFLJ (WABC's frequency modulated sister station). After a short stint he moved on the WNBC-AM returning to the all-night shift. In the interim he has written poetry books and even set some of his poems to music, releasing it as an album. With WNBC presently in a state of flux, switching format, Dick Summer is off the air, however. He can be heard on various commercials doing voice-overs. Summer was fond of parades. He once spent a whole summer explaining to audiences that the Evil Earl of Sandwich got his idea for tasty delight which bears his name should actually be called a Shrewsbury after its rightful inventor.

WE HAVE MORE MEMORIES FROM PETE KEMP, AS WELL AS FROM JIM CRITCHETT, STEVE KENNEDY, GARY SINGEL, GARY SIMPSON, & HILL WURTZEL. NEXT WEEK, JIM CRITCHETT ON "CONELRAD". WE CAN USE MORE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THIS INTERESTING COLUMN & PLEASE DOUBLE SPACE AND SEND 'EM IN!

MOST OF YOU MUST HAVE DXED OVER THE RECENTLY COMPLETED HOLIDAYS. PLEASE JAR US OFF A MUSING TO TELL US ABOUT IT. LIST YOUR DX CATCHES BY DATE & TIME, USING E.L.T. WE HAD A HOLIDAY LET-DOWN FOR THIS ISSUE, AS YOU CAN SEE - SO LET'S HEAR FROM YOU FOR OUR NEXT DEADLINE. AND THE DEADLINES ARE EVERY MONDAY. ALSO SEND IN YOUR RECENT VERIE SIGNERS!

ON THE TERMS 'YL' & 'OM'

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Phone: (home): 809-293-4135. (NASA): 809-293-1142, ext. 249. WDJNPF Amen to Ernie's proposal to do away with the abbreviations "YL" and "OM" to signify female voice and male voice, respectively. OM and YL, as Ernie points out, are used by hams; but I want to clarify that they are terms that indicate camaraderie (fellowship or friendship) between the users. They are not unmoded. In fact, QST magazine has a column called "YL." The term "XIL" means wife, but YL hams have proposed using YL for all female hams, or "OL" (Old Lady). Anyway, how does a DXer feel any fellowship for some announcer that he hears on X station for the first time, as implied by usage of "OM" or "YL"? If you want to use OM or YL, get a ham license, and if you want to use "Good Buddy" get a CB license, hi. My Heathkit IM-4110 frequency counter (at \$150) as well as my Palomar MW loop (at \$100) are still up for grabs. I prefer my SM-2, & I plan to acquire a Heathkit IM-4100 to replace the former, as I need the smaller space. Wel come to new IRCA/NRC member HARRY D. VIRTUE over at Grand, Hamilton Parish, here in Bermuda. I have Harry a call a few days ago and hope he will be active in either club! 73 de Charlie!

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ALSO ON THE SAME SUBJECT, PETER NOLAN of Eugene, Oregon says: "Kudos to ERC on eliminating the OM/YL abbreviations. These have bothered me for years as being terribly sexist, among other things; nice to know I'm not alone in my feelings!"

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The last verie of the year straggled in; WCEB-810, #4,105, N.C. #166. Well, Christmas morn wasn't very productive here, even though it was a Monday as many stations on the air, like these which are usually quiet MMs: WBZ-1030 GBF-690 CBM-940 WQQW-1590 WBAI-1090 WPEL-1390 WUWE-1100 WIXY-1600 WCKY-1530 GJSO-1320 CJVA-810 CJBC-860, Paradise-1265. The GY channels were a jumble/jungle, yielding no FFCS which I sought. Who was the SS running AM on 1500 o/XERX? No IDs caught here. And a log on the FFC on 1250, hoping it would turn out to be CEGA and not GEOF, but I never did find out! And so to bed, before Santa Claus caught me up and awake. It was a very rainy, windy morning, as was 12/26 (wind), with nothing interesting noted, only WSOE-1230 & WRD-1340 topping those frequencies circa 2am. 12/27- Somebody TTING on 940 1:58-2:01, no IDs given. Usually NSP WCHS-970 was on OC today. 12/28- Somebody TTING on 1450 1:25-1:29 & on; usually NSP WHEE-1330 on OC today, as high winds continued here. Unn WCOB-1400 on top @ 2:27. 12/29- I noted ANER WEAM-1390 is back to EE MoR programming now, no more SS. They were on top @ 1:24am. UnID TTR on 1570 2:46-2:56. 12/30- UnID mx on 1575a @ 1:41am. UnID TTR on 1240, 1:51-1:55+. Somebody on 1490 w/Larry King, in a couple of moments & then down into the pile not to surface again. Unn WOL-1450 atop there @ 2:21. Back to 1240, and KIUP-TEST-like sweep tones heard @ 2:38 - now if only I knew who it was - it looped N/S and was about fifth best on the channel. SM 12/31- I took logs (again) on R. Ma-1110 & R. Petrolera-1180, both doing well with WBT/WHAM off as usual on SMS. That was only WEVD TTING on 1330 this AM, but someone on 1560 w/TTs 1:42-1:58+, no IDs caught. CKLM-1570 was absolutely horrible with severe splatter today, even worse than WPTR's amateurish signal. And a TTR on 1260 around 2:14 or so. That PM, New Year's Eve, one of the severest AUs I've heard in ages was noted, with a log taken on an SS practically in the clear and at "armchair level" w/R. Vision Oriente IDs, 6:17-6:40pm. Since R. Coro was like a local on 1210 with no sign of WCAU, & since there are two "R. Visions" listed on 1350, I figure it was the one in Cumarebo, hard by Coro. Too bad 'twas New Year's Eve, for then I had to leave for the doin's, leaving the great Aurora behind. Oh well, I had a ball, anyway! Don't forget to mention the types of s/off's you hear when mentioning such, like w/SSB, or no music, or Lord's Prayer, or whatever, as this is a great help to other DXers. CU N 7.

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Stations may increase

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's airwaves could carry up to 120 new AM radio stations under a proposal given tentative approval by the Federal Communications Commission.

And at the same meeting Tuesday, the commission ordered its staff to make further studies on a separate proposal that would create new VHF television stations for the first time in 20 years.

The radio proposal, approved unanimously, would permit the

new AM stations to move into some of the frequencies now held by the nation's 25 clear-channel stations, which operate on 50,000 watts of power and can be heard over wide geographic areas.

The Commission said it would accept public comment on that plan until April 9, 1979 before making a final decision.

The FCC's Broadcast Bureau recommended against the proposal to permit four new VHF television stations, which operate on channels 2 through 13. It

said the public interest would be better served by encouraging the development instead of UHF stations, which are on channels 14 and above.

The bureau said in a report that authorization of new VHF stations would mark an abrupt change in FCC policy and would harm development of the UHF band.

But commission members voted to send the matter back to the bureau for further study, with commissioner Abbott Washburn calling the staff report inadequate and deficient.

An FCC study has said that sites technically feasible for the four new stations include Salt Lake City, Charleston, W. Va.; Knoxville, Tenn.; and Johnstown, Pa.