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It was with the deepest of regrets that we learned of the passing of long time member Norm McGuire- too late to include in the last issue which was at the printer. Norm was a member and contributor of this Club for many years, most recently being editor of International DX Achievements. In recognition of his many years of contributions as a DXer, we dedicate this issue to his memory.

The following 'muse' was received from Norm's son, Dick McGuire, and is being printed as a final last salute to Norm. Also on the last page is the Eulogy forwarded by Dick from the memorial service.

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My father, Norm Maguire, passed away on July 24, 1980. We are thankful that it was such a peaceful death. I would like to thank everyone in the DX and amateur radio community for being so kind to him, for you were his lifeline. Besides sailing and the sea, he liked nothing better than talking about his world wide contacts and verifications. He was almost bubbly in regards to attending the NRC Convention in late August. I am sad that he will not be at the convention, for the anticipation of seeing his friends certainly brightened his spirits. Take care and happy DXing. For the last time, my father bids you his "Aloha".
(Dick Maguire)

CPC TESTS

We have the first information of a scheduled TEST via IRCA and Neil Zank. Now is the time to start sending those CPC letters for this season.

9/13 KLRR-1230 Leadville, CO 0230 for a ten minute frequency check, Sat. then at 0240 a special 20 minute CPC TEST ending at 0300 ELT. Format will be 1000 cps tones, voice ID's and code ID's. Reports to: KLRR Radio, Arnold F. Olean- Chief Engineer, 520 West 6th St., Leadville, CO 80461.

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On hand for today's pub session are former LPCer Wayne Murphy, David Peters, Lynn Gillis from Bloomfield, Ky., new member Rich Levin from Louisville, Gary Atkins and yours truly Dick Truax.

GRAVEYARD DX ACHIEVEMENTS

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Let me say right away, I'm really excited to edit the GYDXA for the NRC, and I hope to do as well as Bill Hale did. Our format is basically the same, except I'm going to discontinue the pre-1960 records (unless you'd rather we use them). So, please write me regarding that. Also, if you feel you hold a record on any given station and have it verified, mark your entry with an **. This way folks like myself who won't report to a lot of GYers out of the notion, "Oh, they'll never believe me", will see that maybe these stations have QSLed once, and maybe will again.

As Bill asked, I have to also, please compute the mileage. I can't use any entries without the mileage. OK? The 1230 deadline at my humble abode is September 27th, in order for it to see print on October 20th. I'll announce the 1240 deadline then. PLEASE CONTRIBUTE!!

We have a bit of room for very short Static From HQ., so we'll use up some odds and ends received here recently. We are awaiting news of the site for the 1981 NRC Convention from Los Angeles. If we receive news prior to going to press, we'll squeeze it in this bulletin somewhere.

We will be needing an editor for the irregular column International DX Achievements. Volunteers should write HQ to the attention of Gary Atkins.

Most correspondence on hand has been answered or forwarded to the appropriate person for followup. If anyone has any correspondence to HQ that has NOT been answered, please direct inquiries to Dick Truax at HQ and we'll give it another try.

We recently received a letter from a non-member in Quebec informing us of a new service to DXers known as "DXers' Hotline". This is a Montreal telephone loop line with a view towards exchanging DX tips on all facets of the DXing hobby. It is sponsored by the Montreal Area DX Club and is available on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 7-10 PM EST. On other nights it is used by local area Esperantists as an Esperanto Information and Practice Line. DXers' Hotline may be reached through dialing either of the following numbers: 514-766-1194 for the waiting side or 514-766-1195 for the calling side. Keep in mind that only direct-dialed long distance calls will be accepted since it's against the law for anyone to accept collect calls over a telephone loop line. DXers wishing to obtain more information about the 'Hotline' should send a SASE (for Canadians) or 25¢ in coin (for Americans), or 2 IRCs (for those living elsewhere) to: DXers' Hotline P.O. Box 603 Verdun, PQ H4G 3E4 Canada.

Welcome to the following new members. Please Muse soon and introduce yourself.

Rob Harrington, 3181 South York St., Englewood, CO 80110.
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Ed Sershon, P.O. Box 138, Antioch, IL 60002.
Jim Weber, 123 Olive St., West Reading, PA 19611.
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Charles Sanders, P.O. Box 12628, Knoxville, TN 37912.
Charles R. Smiley, Jr., 18351 Blackhawk St., Northridge, CA 91326.
Ian Harris, 3841 Judd Rd., Milan, MI 48160.

Recent renewals include the following members:

John Clemmer, Yves Morissette, Cary Simpson, Peter Huhn, Watson Wendt, Mike Collins, Joseph Perko, Al Jones, R.J. Loewen, Donald Woods, Richard Harrison, James Hoke, George Kesteven, Fred Holland, Gordon Anderson, Myron Gray, Jim Wallace, Mike De Roo, John Hunter, Paul Wardell, Don Reynolds, Tim Kerfoot, Wilfred Ritayik, Robert Larsen, Michael Worst, Richard Akerman, Sr., William Farmerie, Craig Cook, Darryl Belanger, Dennis Dean, Robert Kramer, Robert Lordo, Sidney Feldman, Rene Viel, Bruce Conti, Clayton Woodward, Dwight W. Smith.

AM SWITCH

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While the rest of us have been goofing off this summer, the staff people at the FCC have been busy catching up a bit on some of the backlog that's been building for quite a while at 1919 M Street. Here's a summary of some of their actions through mid-late-July:

STATION CHANGES NOW IN EFFECT:

Changes in Call Sign of existing stations:

OLD	NEW	OLD	NEW
790 - WWNY	- Watertown, NY	1390 - KBLW	- KBLQ - Logan, UT
900 - KFLP	- KFBA - Floydada, TX	1400 - KEYJ	- KQDJ - Jamestown, ND
930 - WTHD	- WAFB - Milford, DE	1420 - WEQC	- WTGE - Kalkaska, MI
1110 - KPOP	- KPIP - Roseville, CA	1420 - WKYZ	- WRMW - Herkimer, NY
1280 - WYND	- WWZZ - Sarasota, FL	1420 - KABR	- KDBQ - Aberdeen, SD
1320 - WADY	- WLQY - Hollywood, FL	1450 - WIBM	- WXCM - Jackson, MI
1340 - WMBN	- WWPZ - Petosky, MI	1590 - KHEN	- KGCG - Henryetta, OK
1360 - WLIO	- WPCY - Mobile, AL		

New stations on the air (may have been for some time now):

1450 - WXOL	- Cicero, IL	1490 - KNCW	- Grand Coulee, WA
1460 - KLTC	- Dickinson, ND	1540 - WRSM	- Sumiton, AL
1470 - KWXI	- Glenwood, AZ	1560 - KCJJ	- Iowa City, IA

STATIONS AUTHORIZED TO CHANGE EQUIPMENT (may take months to accomplish):

840 - WXEW	- Yabucoa, PR increasing to 5000 w. and go fulltime (DA-N)
940 - WLQH	- Chiefland, FL remaining daytimer, increasing to 1000 w.
970 - KNUU	- Las Vegas, NV going fulltime with 5000/500 w. (DA-2)
970 - KAKC	- Tulsa, OK increasing from 1000/500 w. to 2500/1000 w. (DA-2)
1010 - KIQI	- San Francisco, CA increasing to 50,000/5000 w. (DA-2)
1110 - WHYT	- Noblesville, IN remaining daytimer, increasing to 1000 w.
1110 - WHIM	- Providence, RI remaining daytimer, increasing to 5000 w.
1150 - KAYO	- Seattle, WA changing from 5000/1000 w. to 5000/5000 w. (DA-N)
1250 - WGUY	- Bangor, ME going fulltime with 5000 w. (DA-N)
1250 - WGUY	- Bangor, ME changing city of identity to Brewster, ME
1270 - WHEO	- Stuart, VA remaining daytimer, increasing to 5000 w.
1280 - WMRO	- Aurora, IL changing from 1000/500 w. to 2500/500 (DA-2)
1280 - KVOC	- Moorhead, MN changing from 1000/500 w. to 5000/1000 w. (DA-2)
1530 - KWOK	- Wagoner, OK increasing from 250 w. to 500 w. (Daytimer)
1600 - KWOW	- Pomona, CA changing from 5000/500 to 5000/5000 w. (DA-N)
1600 - WGIV	- Charlotte, NC changing from 1000/500 to 2500/1000 (DA-2)

STATIONS REQUESTING A CHANGE IN EQUIPMENT (FCC approval will take months):

570 - KCNO	- Alturas, CA wants to go fulltime with 5000/2500 w. (DA-N)
640 - WHLO	- Akron, OH wants to go fulltime with 1000/500 w. (DA)
670 - KBOI	- Boise, ID wants to increase night power to 50,000 w.
710 - WKJB	- Mayaguez, PR wants to increase to 10,000 w. (Daytimer)
790 - KURM	- Rogers, Ark wants to increase to 1000 w. (Daytimer)
800 - KQIN	- Burien, WA wants to remain daytimer at 1000 w. and
800 - KQIN	- Burien, WA wants to move to 810 kHz
810 - KWRS	- Rifle, CO wants to increase to 2500 w. (Daytimer)
900 - KFRB	- Fairbanks, AK wants to increase to 50,000/50,000 w.
900 - KRTIS	- Minneapolis, MN wants to increase to 2500 w. (Daytimer)
920 - WMEL	- Melbourne, FL wants to change from 1000/1000 to 5000/1000 w.
1060 - WQIO	- Canton, OH wants to go fulltime with 500 w. (DA-2) and
1060 - WQIO	- Canton, OH wants to move to 1070 kHz.
1120 - WVUV	- Leone, GA wants to move to 650 kHz with 10,000/10,000 w.
1130 - WSJP	- Murray, KY wants to increase to 1000 w. (Daytimer)
1140 - KMMZ	- Greybull, WY wants to increase to 10,000 w. (Daytimer)
1280 - KMAS	- Shelton, WA wants to increase to 5000 w. (DA) (Daytimer)
1300 - KWCK	- Searcy, Ark wants to increase to 5000 w. (Daytimer)
1300 - WKTX	- Aiken, SC wants to increase to 1000 w. (Daytimer)
1320 - WAMB	- Venice, FL wants to go fulltime with 5000/1000 w. (DA-2)
1330 - KSKI	- Hailey, ID want to increase to 5000/1000 w. (DA-N)
1380 - KBCH	- Lincoln City, OR wants to go fulltime with 1000/250 w. and
1380 - KBCH	- Lincoln City, OR wants to move to 1400 kHz
1390 - WEED	- Rocky Mount, NC wants to increase to 5000/2500 w. (DA-N)
1410 - WBZA	- Glens Falls, NY wants to go fulltime with 1000/250 w. and
1410 - WBZA	- Glens Falls, NY wants to move to 1230 kHz
1419 - KJCH	- Cleveland, TX wants to increase to 1000/1000 w. (DA-2)

STATIONS REQUESTING A CHANGE IN EQUIPMENT (also continued):

- 1430 - WKEX - Blacksburg, VA wants to go fulltime with 5000 w. (DA-2)
- 1480 - KPHX - Phoenix, AZ wants to go fulltime with 1000/500 w. (DA)
- 1480 - KARO - Vancouver, WA wants to increase to 5000 w. fulltime (DA-2)
- 1520 - WKJR - Muskegon Hghts, MI wants to go fulltime with 10,000/500 w.
- 1530 - WHIY - Moulton, Ala wants to increase to 2500/2500CH w.
- 1550 - WSAO - Senatoria, Miss wants to move to 1140 kHz.

- 1170 - WAMB - Donelson, TN now has a CP to increase to 25,000/1000CH w. but has applied to modify that CP to allow 50,000/1000 CH watts; in both cases they propose to use a directional antenna system.

STATIONS REQUESTING A CHANGE IN CALL SIGN:

- 550 - WDBM - Statesville, NC wants WDRV
- 600 - WSNY - Jacksonville, FL wants WAIV
- 730 - WPIK - Alexandria, VA wants WPKX
- 790 - WTUG - Tuscaloosa, Ala wants WTSK
- 990 - KTRM - Beaumont, TX wants KALO
- 1260 - WWOK - Miami, FL wants WHTT
- 1330 - WEVD - New York, NY wants WMNY
- 1340 - WBRE - Wilkes Barre, PA wants WKRZ
- 1430 - WKDH - Ashland, VA wants WIVE
- 1440 - KOPA - Scottsdale, AZ wants KXAM
- 1480 - KLEO - Wichita, KS wants KWKN
- 1500 - KGMR - Jacksonville, Ark wants KIEL
- 1500 - WCZY - Detroit, MI wants WLQV



CONSTRUCTION PERMITS GRANTED FOR NEW STATIONS:

- 740 - New - Harrogate, TN for a 250 w. daytimer
- 900 - New - Eddyville, KY for a 250 w. daytimer with DA
- 960 - New - Mount Pocono, PA for a 1000 w. daytimer with DA
- 1000 - New - Bullhead City, AZ for a 1000 w. daytimer
- 1010 - New - Wicklife, KY for a 250 w. daytimer with DA
- 1240 - New - Globe, AZ for 1000/250 w.
- 1400 - New - Berlin, NH for 1000/250 w.
- 1420 - New - Trenton, GA for a 500 w. daytimer with DA
- 1540 - New - Guayama, PR for a 250 w. daytimer
- 1580 - New - Morovis, PR for a 1000/1000 w. (DA-1)

APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS RECEIVED BY THE FCC (Action takes months):

- 680 - New - Bountiful, UT for a 1000 w. daytimer
- 940 - New - Woodstock, VA for a 250 w. daytimer
- 1000 - New - Hayden, CO for 10,000/5000CH w.
- 1530 - New - Hartselle, Ala for a 1000 w. daytimer

APPLICATIONS RETURNED OR DISMISSED BY THE FCC:

- 910 - New - Needham, MA (Appln by Radio Needham, Inc.)
- 1220 - New - Arlington, TN (Appln by Dr. Flinn, Jr.)
- 1430 - KTYN - Minot, ND to increase to fulltime at 5000 w and to change city of identity to Burlington, ND.

There, that should hold us for about another month or so! I have received some information about changes in Canadian stations that I want to acknowledge with great thanks and will try to include that information in next month's column...with due credits for their source. I must admit that I am typing this month's column while on vacation and all that reference material is at my office, so forgive me!

John

More Static...

In an effort not to leave any white space, two items of importance will be added. Long time member Joe Brauner has been recently hospitalised. We are sure that he would be cheered by hearing from members who could take the time to write a note of encouragement. Joe Brauner, R.D. 1, Box 153, Punxsutawney, PA 15767.

Also the price for the FRG-7 listed in DXchange, page 12 last issue is \$400.

DOMESTIC DX DIGEST

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Another good sized turn-out for this issue considering conditions ain't been to hot. Anyway, when sending your items in, please double space between items, typed or neatly written, ELT, etc. Here we go:

SPECIAL

- 640 WHLO OH AKRON - Applied for fulltime on 5/13, 500 watts from KFI sunset to Akron sunrise. May take anyplace from 30 days to 3 years for FCC approval. (LMP-OH) And the FCC might turn it down completely! (DS)
- 710 WQBX VA BLACKSBURG - New format: CWm. (DS-DE)
- 930 WAFL DE MILFORD - Noted on new calls w/CWm, AM-93 and WAFL-FM ID's, noted 8/1, ex-WTHD. (DS-DE)
- 950 WJPC IL CHICAGO - Now on fulltime, noted MM 8/11, all soul mx. Much weaker than day signal, WWJ noted plainly under, presumably NSP. Kiss Montana goodbye! Interesting note, this was Chicago's last daytimer, WMBI/WAIT/WJJD are limited time stations. (EH-IL)
- 1260 WKXW NJ TRENTON - 8/7 not noted u/WNRK as usual, and confirmed by FM that the AM is off "for rebuilding." (DS-DE)
- 1360 WEBB MD BALTIMORE - Still running 1000 watts day non-directional with rented equipment. Station was sold to new female owner from bankruptcy of James Brown Broadcasting. (GWJ)
- 1590 WJRO MD GLEN BURNIE - Silent, off the air for several months due to going bankrupt. (GWJ-MD)
- WQIQ PA CHESTER - Silent, signed off 4 PM 8/15, bankrupt. (DS) 1590 must be the "lucky" frequency-hi! (DS)

F/C's:

- 1st Mon - WCNC-1240 w/TT (DS-DE)

KYW NEWS 1060
INDEPENDENCE MALL EAST PHILADELPHIA PENNSYLVANIA 19106

MIDDAY - MIDNIGHT

- 630 WPRO RI PROVIDENCE - 8/9 1257 Fotomat spot, then oldies mx, good in WMAL null. (WPT-DE)
- 680 WRKO MA BOSTON - 8/9 1258 Top 40 mx, good in WCBM null. (WPT-DE)
- 860 WEVA VA EMPORIA - 7/28 2030 s/off w/mention of Southside VA and Northern NC, right after local WAYE s/off. (WPT-DC)
- 910 WBRJ OH MARIETTA - 8/7 2009 talk by male ann'r, mention of Wood County Schools, spot then CW mx. (WPT-DC)
- 960 WDLM IL E. MOLINE - 8/10 1200 fair signal, inaudible back home due to WJPC/WSBT. (EH-IL-b)
- 1060 WRHL IL ROCHELLE - 8/10 1440 good, just o/WHFB, this one is very directional away from WHFB and not heard at home. (EH-b)
- 1090 WAQE WI RICE LAKE - 7/16 2137 good, topping WBAL/KNWS, no sign of KAAV, wx, jingle ID, then CW mx. (EH-IL-a)
- 1322 WICO MD SALISBURY - 8/19 1904-1930+ noted up from 1320 w/Blue-grass mx, very shallow modulation, notified station and promised to verify. I'll believe it when I see it-hi!(DS)
- 1350 WHWH NJ PRINCETON - 7/25 2045 caught tail end of Phillies/Braves BB w/good signal, gone at pattern switch. (WPT-DC)
- 1390 WTJS TN JACKSON - 7/27 2204 fair/poor in tight WYON null w/Ae nx, wx/ID. (EH-IL-a)
- 1440 WDOV MI DOWAGIAC - 7/31 2115 at good level w/s/off, mention of FM (92.1) and address, one of my closest unheards. (EH-a)
- 1480 CKAN ON NEW MARKET - 8/9 2050 many mentions of New Market noted, temp. then wx, and rr, gone to din on freq. (DS-DE)
- 1490 WZOE IL PRINCETON - 8/10 1505 w/oldies, ID then cw mx, has very poor signal and not likely at home due to WOPA (EH-IL-b)
- WJNL PA JOHNSTOWN - 7/29 2040 ID, fair atop GY pile momentarily, #11 on 1490. (WPT-DC)
- WAZL PA HAZELTON - 8/15 2049 way atop w/Top 40 mx, remote b'cast, usually atop GY din til 1 AM s/off here, pest. (DS-DE)
- 1500 WGEN IL GENESEO - 8/10 1130 good w/Cards promo, ID. (EH-IL-b)

MIDNIGHT - MIDDAY:

- 620 WRJZ TN KNOXVILLE - 8/9 0001 atop channel w/network nx w/report on Hurricane Allen. (WPT-DC)
- 860 KONO TX SAN ANTONIO - 8/11 0444 Loud/Clear/Alone w/oldies, phone # 470-KONO, 1st time heard. (EH-IL-a)
- 910 KIKM TX SHERMAN - 8/11 0500 good, atop w/spots for Dennison, Sherman, contest for \$91. (EH-IL-a)
- 920 *KYST TX TEXAS CITY - 8/9 nice w/local WGST nulled, 0116. Gave Hurricane Allen info, local closing, Red Cross info, etc., and BFL mx til 0124 tune out. (KVJ-GA)
- 930 CKNS ON ESPANOLA - 8/4 AN w/"The Music Leader, CKNR," ID's, again 8/11 w/CJNR/CKNS/CKNR triple ID. (EH-IL-a)
- 1060 WHFB MI BENTON HARBOR - 8/4 0015 noted on ET w/long, detailed ID's, asking for reports, TT, some mx, loud and equal w/NSP KYW. (DS-DE)
- 1150 WDEL DE WILMINGTON - 8/15 0215 noted off this AM leaving a loud CKOC, noted back by 0300. Has been off a number of AM's lately due to antenna work. (DS-DE)
- 1140 WRLV KY SALYERSVILLE - 8/16 heard at s/on 0632 weak but signal improved 0648 w/CW mx, wx, PSA, and KY Net. Nx 0655, noted w/"country morning show." (KVJ-GA)
- WKCM KY HAWESVILLE - 8/16 0700 noted at s/on, weak w/WRLV, quickly gone to an UNID'd power increase. (KVJ-GA)
- 1260 WWDC DC WASHINGTON - 7/22 0005 noted off w/intermittent OC til 0057 when mx returned. (CENSORED!). (WPT-DC)
- 1410 UNID 8/9 0058 s/off, a strange one, mentioned power of 5000 KW and 1000 KW, called sounded like WBAZ. (It wasn't WPXC as far as I could tell.) (KVJ-GA) WPWC-1530 used to sign off stating 250 kilohertz! (DS-DE)
- 1480 WCIN OH CINCINNATI - 8/4 0155 atop w/NBN nx, nx. (EH-IL-a)
- WUEZ VA SALEM - 8/10 0435-0500+ very loud on ET w/rr, way atop, as usual. Call to station and CE said studio was just rebuilt. Still not on fulltime either. (DS-DE)
- 1490 WOPI TN BRISTOL - 8/12 0024-0030 in/out w/Reds-Padres BB (per list), ad for discount store then ID. (KVJ-GA) Nice! (DS)
- 1520 WKBW NY BARFALLO - 8/12 0020 noted on OC only, back by 0130. (DS)
- 1530 WTTI GA DALTON - 8/18 0115 noted on ET again, this time w/CW mx. (DS-DE)
- 1550 WWVN GA VIENNA - 8/14 0600 xclent at s/on w/SSB w/WTYN, quickly faded down, pronounced "VY-ANNA", new station. (KVJ-GA) 8/2 0600 s/on noted w/SSB, welcomed visitors to station "during regular business hours." Take note George Greene-hi! (DS-DE)
- WTYN NC TRYON - 8/14 fair to good at 0558 s/on, mentioned mxtr in SC then NBC nx. (KVJ-GA) 8/3 0558 s/on, ditto KVJ, also gave short prayer. (DS-DE)
- 1560 WGLB WI PORT WASHINGTON - 8/4 0122 ET w/pop mx, RS sounding, noted w/KKAA ET (again) and UNID TT. (EH-IL-a)
- *KGUL TX PORT LAVACA - 8/9 0043 weak u/WQXR/WPAD w/Hurricane Allen info, mentions of Victoria, then MoR. (KVJ-GA)
- 1570 WIFF IN AUBURN - 8/4 0120 fair on ET, caught tail end of ID ending test. Also 8/11 0645 w/ISSB then S/on w/full ID heard. (EH-IL-a)

RAN-DUMBS:

DICK WRIGHT in Sacramento, CA sends a note from KPFR-940 saying all reception reports will be answered, over 200 were misplaced by a secretary dating back to 1978, this from Hal Torosian, CE. GEORGE JENSEN sends a note that WFBR has an irregular SP starting at 0000 on Tues., Wed., and/or Thurs. AM's. DAVE ARBOGAST writes that WKNT-1520 ran an NRC TEST on 7/23 from 0100-0230 w/TT, etc.

All of the items above with * before the calls are Hurricane Allen info from Karl Jeter, who seems to have been the only one who heard anything during the storm. Nice goin', Karl!

MADE POSSIBLE BY THE FOLLOWING:

- KVJ-GA Karl Jeter, Decatur, GA HQ150, TRF, SM2, NRC Loop
- LMP-OH Louis M. Poda, Akron, Ohio
- EH-IL-a Earl Higgins, Riverside, IL HQ140X, Superadio, SM1
- EH-IL-b Earl Higgins, near Utica, IL Superadio
- WPT-DC William P. Townshend, Washington, DC TRF
- WPT-DE William P. Townshend, Dewey Beach, DE TRF
- GWJ-MD George W. Jensen, Baltimore, MD Trans-Oceanic, TRF
- DS-DE Who'd you expect, Dan Myers?

That's it, see you in 2 weeks, and send those tips in! 73's

INTERNATIONAL DX DIGEST

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Times are GMT. For ELT subtract 4 hours. Deadlines are usually Monday.

- 531 ALGERIA Ain Beida weak w/AA vocal 0408 8/14. (Connelly)
- 549 ALGERIA Oran noted w/bits of AA mx in bad CFNB slop 0427 8/8. (Connelly)
- 576 AUSTRALIA 2FC Sydney heard well on 7/6 and 7/9. (Wilkinson)
- 587 NEW ZEALAND 2YA Wellington heard well on 7/2, 4, and 8. (Wilkinson)
- 585 SPAIN Madrid loud w/man in SS 0425 8/8. (Connelly)
- 594 AUSTRALIA 3WV Horsham also heard well on 7/6 and 7/9. (Wilkinson)
- 612t MOROCCO bits of female ocal poor in storm QRN 0115 8/6. (Connelly)
- 648 ENGLAND poor w/only the BBC pips making it at 0300 6/29. (Kaz)
- 657 NEW ZEALAND 2YC Wellington in good on 7/7, 8, 11, 14, and 16. (Wilkinson)
- 693 ENGLAND in for nice taped "Weekends in the morning on Stereo Radio Three" SID at 0303 6/29. (Kaz)
- 700 CUBA CMJT Ciego de Avila //690 w/WLW and Jamaica 0512 7/7. (Kaz)
- 702 AUSTRALIA 2BL Sydney in on 7/2, 4, 6, 8, and 9. (Wilkinson)
- 711 AUSTRALIA 4QW St. George in on 7/6 at 1227. (Wilkinson)
- 720 NEW ZEALAND 4YZ Invercargill in on 7/6 at 1232. (Wilkinson)
- 738 AUSTRALIA 2NR Grafton in on 7/6 at 1211 with ABC World News. KCBS was off! (Wilkinson)
- 747 AUSTRALIA 4QS Toowoomba also in on 7/6 at 1234. Was in // to 2NR on 738. (Wilkinson)
- 756 NEW ZEALAND 1YA Auckland in on 7/1, 2, 7, 9, 11, 14, and 16. Almost a regular morning visitor. (Wilkinson)
- 774 AUSTRALIA 3LO Melbourne in on 7/2, 6, 8, and 9. (Wilkinson)
- 774 SPAIN synchros good w/time pips, SS talk 0400 8/8. (Connelly)
- 783 NEW ZEALAND Wellington heard again on Tuesday 8/8. (Wilkinson)
- 792 AUSTRALIA 4QG Brisbane in well on 7/2 and 7/6. (Wilkinson)
- 819 MOROCCO Rabat poor w/AA violins and chants 0407 8/6. (Connelly)
- 819 ANDORRA La Vieja good w/man in FF, then light mx 0402 8/8. (Con)
- 819 NEW ZEALAND Rotorua logged from 1248 to 1305 on 7/7. (Wilkinson)
- 820 COLOMBIA HJED Cali poor-fair in TVI and static w/LA music in different styles. Mentioned "Cristal" several times but don't know if it was a commercial. CARACOL mentioned in announcement at 0630 on 8/2. (Worst)
- 820 SURINAM Paramaribo poor-fair w/DD male anncr and T40 mx 0005-0010 6/29 when faded into the mud. (Kaz)
- 825 COSTA RICA TIOS San Jose-deep fades and lots of static. Vocals in SS and EE. "Titania" by YL at 0641 8/2. (Worst)
- 828 AUSTRALIA 3GI Sale heard well on 7/6, 8, and 9. (Wilkinson)
- 837 AUSTRALIA Rockhampton in on 7/1, 7, 8, 9, and 16. (Wilkinson)
- 846 AUSTRALIA 2CY Canberra in on 7/2, 6, and 9. (Wilkinson)
- 854 PERU Lima poor-fair while WHDH OC was cut w/LA mx at 0507 MM 7/7. Last heard and ID'ed 11/26/79. (Kaz)
- 855 SPAIN Murcia poor w/woman in SS, then rock mx; slopped by WHDH 0405 8/8. (Connelly) Poor-fair in slop w/soft SS vocal 0155 6/29. (Kaz)
- 860 BRAZIL Rio de Janeiro very good 0645 7/5 and 0521 7/7. Format is usual mix of PP songs and T40/disco. SID by girl "Radio Mundial-Ocho Sesenta" in PP. This seems best in July. (Kaz)
- 873 AUSTRALIA 2GB Sydney in well on 7/1 and 7/9. (Wilkinson)
- 882 AUSTRALIA 4BH Brisbane in good on 7/1, 6, and 9. (Wilkinson)
- 882 NEW ZEALAND 1YC Auckland in good on 7/8, 11, and 16. (Wilkinson)
- 885 MONTSERRAT ZJB very good w/island mx, ID and TC at 0045 7/5. (Kaz)
- 891 ALGERIA Algiers assumed here w/massive signal creaming WLS; male AA vocal followed by AA talk 0319 8/8. Booming in w/AA chanting 0409-0422 8/8. (Connelly) Taped w/fair strength, signal almost totally free of any 890 QRM which made nice clean copy of the AA chants 0049 7/8. (Kaz)
- 891 AUSTRALIA 5AN Adelaide in on 7/6, 7, and 9. (Wilkinson)
- 914 SURINAM fair in WJAR slop w/very strange mx and lang 0040 7/5. (Kaz)
- 1000 COLOMBIA LV de Cartagena 0831-0833 8/11. Surprise! WCPL really off the air. Had R. Suceso and RCN ID's at 0833. (Loy)
- 1008 NEW ZEALAND 1ZD Tauranga in on 7/1 and 4. (Wilkinson)

- 1008 UNID persistent het on WINS, but WINS slop was too much to permit dredging up positive audio; bits of mx may have been AA 0412 8/6. (Connelly)
- 1035 NEW ZEALAND 2ZB Wellington in well on 7/5, 6, 8, and 9. (Wilkinson)
- 1044 MOROCCO fair in slop w/FF anncr and song "Blowing in the Wind". Gone at 0105 recheck so they still s/off at listed 0100. (Kaz)
- 1044 NEW ZEALAND 4ZB Dunedin in on 7/4, 5, 6, and 9. (Wilkinson)
- 1197 NEW ZEALAND Whanganui in especially well at 1125 to 1131 on 7/6. (Wilkinson)
- 1200 COLOMBIA R. Super, Cali, ID by male heard at 0715 on 7/28 when WOAI off. Poor in mx with unid SS plus a very low het. Lotsa static. (Kowalski)
- 1200 CUBA which one of the Cubans has LV de Cuba?? Noted w/chimes almost every night now. (Loy) Sorry, I don't know for sure-CH
- 1325 HAITI fair w/man in FF dialect 0205 6/29. (Kaz) In reference to previous report of 6/23 I was totally unaware that Haiti carried SS every night. My "///?" was a typo not a regard to any parallel. Sorry for sloppy typing. (Kaz)
- 1413 NEW ZEALAND 1Z0 Tokoroa in at fine volume from 1138-1158 7/6. (Wilkinson)
- 1422 WEST GERMANY fair w/instrumental version of "Sweet Caroline". WBSM slop nulled 0123 7/8. (Kaz)
- 1512 SAUDI ARABIA Jeddah poor to fair w/man in AA atop second stn; some WITS/CJRS slop present 0033 8/6. (Connelly)
- 1512 AUSTRALIA 2NA Newcastle in quite well at 1230 7/7. (Wilkinson)
- 1521 SAUDI ARABIA Duba good w/man in AA at 0032 8/6. In with huge signal, xlnt at 0057 8/6. (Connelly)
- 1548 AUSTRALIA 4QD Emerald very strong at 1234 to 1247 7/7. (Wilkinson)
- 1554 UNID perhaps Gabon? Heavy het on Caymans-1555 0422 8/6. (Connelly)
- 1560 MEXICO XEVIP Mexico City fair u/WQXR OC w/ID and CBS nx 0600 7/7. (Kaz)
- 1566 TUNISIA Sfax fair w/AA mx 0032 8/8. (Connelly)
- 1580 MEXICO XEDM every night helping CBJ's TT ruin this freq. (Loy) Fair w/ranchera mx and many mentions of "La Grande". Full "La Grande de Sonora" ID at 0626 7/7. (Kaz)
- 1593 WEST GERMANY Langenberg in w/usual blockbuster signal: US hit "Are You Ready?" then woman in GG 0333 8/8. In the wide selectivity position 1593 was clobbering WDCI/WQQW et al on 1590. (Connelly) Fair w/"Sexy Eyes" 0310 7/8. (Kaz)

Mark Connelly	W. Yarmouth, Mass.	HQ180A, 2 37 meter phased wires
Kaz	Narragansett, RI	R390A, Sanserino loop, 1300' Beverage
Paul Kowalski	Milwaukee, Wis.	A2515, Radio West loop
Eric Loy	Mahomet, Ill.	TRF
Hank Wilkinson	Santa Rosa, Ca.	SP600, Sanserino loop
Mike Worst	Beaumont, Tex.	SP600, 51J4, Wedge loop, 20' LW

While this IDXD was typed under relatively tranquil conditions, that has not been the case for the last two. I am having to travel some these days, often not knowing a day in advance where and when. The last two columns were both completed after the deadline because I was out of town. Hopefully I will be able to work things around deadlines, etc. so that the column will not be interfered with any more.

1981 CONVENTION INFO

Yes it's official!! The site of the 1981 NRC Convention as selected in Los Angeles will be Northern New Jersey to be hosted by none other than Russ Edmunds and company. This via phone call to Don Erickson who is in attendance at this year's convention. Other bidders were St. Louis and Ft. Lauderdale, FL. More information should be available hopefully by next issue as to the goings on at this year's gala event, as well as Russ' plans for next year.

PRO FOOTBALL NETWORKS

By Dave Arbogast

Hello all, I've been appointed as editor of all the sports nets, replacing Bill Hardy. I also do the GWDXA listings, for all those interested. Send all additions, deletions, questions-comments or otherwise to me at 3851 Porter Road, Rootstown, OH 44272. All the info was compiled by Bill, as I was appointed after all the questionnaires were sent out, so we agreed to do it this way. Now, on with the show!

Symbols used-

* Daytimer	# Specified hours
** Limited Time	% Share Time
& Daytimer w/CP to go 24 hrs.	+ AM-FM Simulcast
	<u>Flagship stations are underlined.</u>

Other notes explained as I go along.

<u>ATLANTA FALCONS</u> Announcers-Bob Neal, Harmon Wages.			
610 <u>WCEH-GA</u>	1250 WYTH-GA	1420 WPEH-GA	1590 WALG-GA
WIOD-FL	1260 WBBK-GA	WRCG-GA	WTGA-GA
650 WSM-TN	WCRT-AL	1430 WWGS-GA	WLFA-GA
710 WUFF-GA	1280 WEXI-FL	1440 WWCC-GA	1600 WQCK-GA
790 WGRA-GA	WEXI-FL	WSAT-NC	WAZL-GA ¹
850 WPTB-GA	1290 WCHK-GA	1450 WCON-GA	WGEC-GA ²
<u>920 WGST-GA</u>	1310 WOKA-GA	WKEU-GA	WWSA-GA ³
	1340 WVOH-GA	WVWG-GA	WRSB-GA ⁴
	1360 WMAZ-GA	1470 WCLM-GA	WWGA-GA ⁵
940 WAKN-SC	1370 WFDL-GA+	1490 WMOG-GA	
WMLM-GA	WDEF-TN	WMJM-GA	(plus 6 FM's)
1000 WYOK-GA	WLOV-GA	WYFZ-GA	
1050 WMNZ-GA	WLOP-GA	WSYL-GA	
WGCA-GA	1380 WGUS-GA	WMRB-SC	
1130 WMGA-GA	1390 WISK-GA	WSNT-GA	
1170 WSNE-GA	WTNL-GA	1520 WXPQ-GA	
1230 WAXX-GA	1400 WJHO-AL	1530 WTHO-GA	
WBLJ-GA	WCOH-GA	WTTI-GA	
1240 WDUN-GA	WJTG-GA	1540 WJGA-GA	
WLAG-GA	1410 WLAQ-GA	1570 WGSB-GA	
WBHB-GA	WDAX-GA	1580 WKIG-GA	

1, 2, 3, 4, & 5 - not listed in NRC Log or White's Log.

<u>BALTIMORE COLTS</u> Announcers-Chuck Thomson, Vince Bagli			
680 <u>WCBE-MD</u>	1280 WHVR-PA	1430 WNAV-MD	
930 WFMD-MD	1330 WASA-MD	1450 WTHU-MD	
960 WBOC-MD	1340 WPEM-WV	1470 WTTR-MD**	(plus 8 FM's)
1010 WCST-WV**	1350 WZIX-PA	1530 WCTR-MD*	
1050 WMSG-MD**	WNIS-VA	1590 WETT-MD	
1240 WCBE-MD	1410 WDOV-DE	WCBG-PA	

<u>BUFFALO BILLS</u> Announcers-Van Miller, Stan Baron			
790 WLSV-NY	950 WBBF-NY	1410 WDOE-NY	1560 WWBK-NY ¹
930 WBEW-NY	1340 WMBO-NY	1450 WHDL-NY	???? WJJN-?? ² (no FM's)

1-Flag's listing says WWBK, they moved to 1590 and changed to WJBT so they may or may not air Bills games.

2-not listed in NRC or White's Log.

CHICAGO BEARS Announcers-Joe McConnell, Brad Palmer
WBEM-IL 780 ONLY. NO NET. When Baseball and NFL conflict, NFL on AM, BB on WBEM-FM.

CINCINNATI BENGALS
 700 WLW-OH (net not complete). When NFL and BB conflict, Reds on AM, NFL to WSKS-FM, the sister of WLW in Hamilton, OH.

CLEVELAND BROWNS Announcers-Jim Mueller and Gib Shanley
 900 WPRO-OH* 1320 WCLU-KY* 1460 WBNS-OH And, the pack of unid's-
 930 WEOL-OH 1340 WNCO-OH 1480 WHBC-OH WNRN-OH
 940 WGRP-PA* 1350 WCHI-OH* 1490 WMOA-OH WOKY-OH
 950 WLIT-OH* 1400 WMAN-OH 1540 WBCO-OH* WWWJ-OH
 960 WWST-OH*+ 1420 WHK-OH 1550 WDLR-OH WKLR-OH
 970 WFUN-OH 1430 WCLT-OH*+ 1560 WTNS-OH*+ WKIQ-OH
 1240 WBBW-OH+ 1450 WIEC-OH 1570 WTCL-OH*
 1260 WLKK-PA WJER-OH 1590 WAKR-OH (plus 7 FM's)

DALLAS COWBOYS
 We have no info yet except on Mutual Southwest Radio Net (100+ AM & FM stations) and flag is KRLD-1080.

DENVER BRONCOS
 No info till late August, flag is KOA-850-CO.

DETROIT LIONS Bob Reynolds, Frank Beckman
 760 WJR-MI. Didn't send net, is there one???

GREEN BAY PACKERS
 No official reply so far, most likely will use WTMJ-620 again.

HOUSTON OILERS Announcers-Ron Stone, Ron Franklin, Mark Oristano
 560 KLVI-TX 1050 KPXE-TX* 1400 KILE-TX 1500 KTXO-TX*
 600 KERB-TX* 1090 KKYN-TX KIUN-TX 1520 KRJH-TX*2
 610 WIOD-FL¹ 1110 KOLA-NM* KEYE-TX 1540 KEPO-TX
 680 KKYX-TX 1220 KVLJ-TX* KTFP-TX 1550 KWBC-TX*
 690 KPET-TX 1270 KFJZ-TX 1440 KETX-TX* 1560 KEGG-TX*
 740 KTRH-TX 1280 KTTX-TX* 1450 KCYL-TX 1580 KTLU-TX*
 KRMG-OK KLUE-TX* KMHT-TX+ 1590 KGAS-TX*
 800 KDDD-TX* KRAN-TX* KNET-TX KEND-TX
 840 WMOB-AL* 1320 KVMC-TX* KSNY-TX WACA-SC*
 910 KNAF-TX* 1330 KINE-TX* 1480 KJOE-LA*
 KIRO-TX 1340 KWKC-TX 1490 KBIL-TX
 920 KARN-AK 1370 KTSM-TX KBST-TX (plus 18 FM's)
 KYXX-TX KPQS-TX* KNEL-TX
 1010 KIKK-TX* 1380 WBWD-TX KSAM-TX

1-WIOD will carry only 13 of the games this year.
 2-KRJH will carry only 5 scheduled games this year.
 SPECIAL NOTE ABOUT THIS NET--SEE THE PITTSBURGH STEELERS LISTING
KANSAS CITY CHIEFS Announcers-Wayne Lerrivee, Bill Grigsby
 810 KCMO-MO is flag, didn't send network. Help anyone???

LA RAMS (aka the Convention Bunch, hi) Announcers-Bob Starr, Dick Bass, Steve Bailey. KMPC-710 is flag, net incomplete.
 One pre-season game (8/30) will be on KNX-1070 because of Angels game on KMPC. After the season begins, (NEL) Angels will be going to KBRT740 days and KLAC-570 nights if Rams conflict.

MIAMI DOLPHINS (NOTE-ALL stations are in FL, so I won't bother to list it by each station.)
 610 WIOD 970 WFLA 1270 WNOG 1340 WSEB
 740 WKIS 1150 WNDB WTNT 1350 WCWR
 790 WLBE 1230 WGGG 1280 WIPC* 1490 WTRL
 930 WJAX 1240 WINK 1330 WFTP WTTB
 (and 2 FM's)
 Announcers-Rick Weaver, Henry Borrow, Hank Goldberg

MINNESOTA VIKINGS Announcers-Ray Scott, Grady Alderman
 570 WNAX-SD 1230 KTRF-MN 1310 KNOX-MN 1410 KRWB-MN
 710 WDSM-MN KGHM-MN 1320 KOZY-MN 1450 WELY-MN
 830 WCCO-MN 1240 KPRM-MN 1340 KDLM-MN KBUN-MN
 920 KWAD-MN WMFG-MN KVER-MN 1480 KSDR-SD*
 930 KSDN-SD 1250 KBRF-MN 1360 KEYZ-ND 1520 KLYX-SD*
 970 WDAY-ND 1260 KRCC-MN 1400 KEYJ-ND 1570 KQWC-IA
 1220 KCUR-IA* 1270 WBOM-ND WHLB-MN (and no FM's)

To Be Continued Next Issue.....

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NOVA SCOTIA BY DAY AND BY NIGHT

MARK CONNELLY - 30 William Road - Billerica, Massachusetts - 01821 7/14/80
 A ham friend of mine, Mark Ryan, W1AFAP, (a member of GWDXA) traveled to Eastern Nova Scotia in late May. Using a Realistic TRF w/a Palomar Engineers crystal calibrator, he made a daytime study from Alder Point, near Sydney, N.S. and a nighttime report from Antigonish, N.S. First, the Alder Point day report (many Newfoundlanders heard): CBT-540 CHCM-560 CFCE-570 CJFX-580 VOXM-590 CECL-600 CERC (t)/CKYQ(t)-610 CFCY-630 CBN-640 CFDR-680 9/SAH (probably CIYQ) CBRM-740 CJCB-750 (?? 1270?? -ERC) CFNW-790 CJVA-810 WHDH(t)-850 weak CBH-860 CKDH 900 CFSX-910 CJCH-920 CJYQ-930 CHER-950 (960 covered by 950 slop) CBY-990 CRA-1070 CBI-1140 CHTN-1190 CQAR-1230 CJCB-1270 unID-CBC-1340 & 1360, St. Pierre-1375 un-ID-1400, CIGO-1410. From Antigonish, around 11:30pm EDT: WNBC-660 weak but alone, WRKG-680 annihilating CFDR WOR-710 solid o/het, maybe France-711, WJR-760 weak, WABC-770 loud WBBM-780 innoise, un-ID-790 w/ Mutual NX, WGY-810 solid, 819,820: hets, no audio. WHDH-850 extremely loud, trace of possible CKVL in null, during fades. WBSB-880 excellent. CHER-950, WCSH-970 louder than adjacent CHNS-960. FFC on 980, probably CBV. Quebec-1000 w/FF, no WFL. WINS-1010 solid, well atop CFRB & a hot (Holland-1008?) KDKA-1020 weak o/SAH (YVRS?) WBZ-1030 good o/low LA hot rumble. CBA off, WTIC-1080 o/LA growl. WBAI-1090 very good. Jumble on 1100, probably WNE/ZDK/EJAT mess. WBT/unID (CBD?)-1110. WNEW-1130 excellent. Mess-1140 WBAI-1180 o/SAH FFC/others-1230. Un-ID-1240 WBER-1250 CIHI-1260 CJCB-1270 o/low hets CJMS/WABK(t)-1280 UnID FF rocker-1290. EE rocker mentioning "FM-101" on 1300. (Sounds like WLOB-1310 to me -ERC) WLAM(t)-1470 WSAI-1480 WTOP-1500 WITS o/CJRS-1510 WKBW-1520. (t) means 'tentative.' Mark said that he was falling asleep towards the top end of the night scan, so he didn't investigate the above-1300 region all that thoroughly. I hope all of you Summer vacationers turn on your TRF's when you get back to your cottages at sunset after a long day at the beach. As you sit there eating your oysters or clams, you may log some choice DX! Watch for Caribbean goodies. 73.

SOME MORE CALL LETTER MEANINGS

TONY FITZHERBERT - 116 Devon Road - Chalfont, Pennsylvania - 18914 7/18/80
 Hi all! I enjoyed the recent list of call letter meanings, so here are a few more from stations I have known and loved, or found interesting, or, in one or two cases, obnoxious, in my travels: KTNT - Tacoma News Tribunes. KTAC - Tacoma, WYSL - We Tell the story of Jesus. WTMR - Where The Master Reigns. WIMG - Imagination Radio, WNFN - Newton (good oldies station). WITS - Information, Talk, Sports. WCRB - Charles River Broadcasting. WFLN - Franklin Broadcasting. WBBR - Brooklyn Bible Radio (now WPOW), WOST (ex-home of Woody Hayes) Ohio State University. WNEP, Newburyport, Mass. WLYN, Lynn. WCOF - Copley Plaza Hotel. WJIT - Hit Radio (In SS, the J is silent). WMEK - Middlesex County. WCAS - Watertown, Cambridge, Arlington, Somerville. WFAU & WCOU, both founded by Faust Couture. WLAM - Lewiston, Auburn, Maine. WPFO, financed by the Pineau "ean" is pronounced "O" in FF, Funeral Home. WJAB - Jack Auger Broadcasting. WLOB was once the flagship station of the defunct Lobster Network. WGUJ & WGAN, established by the Guy Gannett Company. WTVL - Waterville. WSMC is in Sanford, ME. WIDE "Wide Service" (at 1400 kHz?) WESX - Essex County. WDCR is the radio outlet for Dartmouth College. WBUX serves most of Bucks County. WNPV covers the North Penn Valley. WNAI's studio & XR are in Norristown - Arch Street. WABI re/bcnds the enthusiasm of the Bangor local populace when they first went on the air ("We're All Behind It.") WEST is in Easton, WPCR is in Portland, WMTM's XR (FM) was atop Mt. Washington, although, once they were 1150 in Portland. (That was WMTW, Tony -ERC) WLLH serves Lozell, Lawrence, Haverhill. WPTF - Platoon Broadcasting Company. WRUM - well, if you are in Rumford, Me.... WQDY is owned by The Quoddy Broadcasting Company. WRCP represents Rust Craft in Philadelphia. WPEN - William Penn Broadcasting. WVCH is the Voice of Chester, WCHE is out in West Chester (Hi, Dave), WBRW is in Bridgewater Township, WPIF can be found at 1500 on the dial, WNLK serves Norwalk, WSTC is WNLK's neighbor in Stamford, Conn. A couple of miles South is WGCH in Greenwich. WLIX, Roman numerals for "59" but is a little further to the left on the dial, and many miles and frequencies away is WXIV, for Radio 14, but is actually on 1450, and WRXV "Radio 15" but really 1530. Now, await WIHO for the Flagship station of Hi-Ho Communications, owned by a Bridgeport firm which makes paper cups. Nice station, too! Best wishes, and more DX next time.

NIEL VISITS SOME STATIONS

NIEL WOLFISH - 15 Donwoods Grove - Toronto, Ontario - M1N 2M4 7/25/80
 Hello. Nothing much is happening around here in Baysville. Little DX, but I have managed to get some station visits in on days off. I've been to CFBK (Huntsville), CFCH (North Bay), CK30 (Sudbury) & CFBR CHNO (Sudbury). On the way to Sudbury I tuned in CJBC-13 (1360, Verner) & noticed it lasted for ten miles. Pretty good for an LPRT? If anyone is interested in CFBK stickers, drop me a line! The station gave me one, but a nearby store had around 50 for me. Well, that's all for now. Bye.

WE HOPE MORE OF YOU WILL MAKE IT A POINT TO CONTRIBUTE TO MUSINGS AND THE OTHER SECTIONS OF 'DX NEWS'. WHY NOT BECOME A REAL PART OF THE LIVING N.R.C.? TRY IT - YOU'LL ENJOY IT!

MORE FROM RICK ON HIS MEMORABLE MORNING

RICK KENNEALLY - 8132 Ashgrove Drive - Cincinnati, Ohio - 45244
 ##### Continuing my memories of 8/13/79: I listened to KRDS enough for a report. I decided a tape wasn't enough for this station. As far as I could tell, KRDS was "riding" in on KLIP's OC. I listened for another hour, then at 3:56am, a voice looping MW yelled, "11-90 Music Radio, KEX." Oregon, State #40, was now mine! I called KEX and got the DJ, Vern. I told him he was playing Linda Ronstadt, then I told him I was listening from Cincinnati. He believed it as little as I did. When the record ended, he talked to me over the air. That night will be remembered for a long, long time. There were a couple of interesting coincidences connected with these two loggings. The first is that I heard these stations just after reading BILL BERGADANO's recollection of the same reception. The second is that the next log entry after KEX was XEK in Nuevo Laredo. There have been many exciting nights since 8/13. Some of my more memorable moments have been: Listening to a carrier on 1000 that I thought to be KTOK ID as KQMO; trying for the KURL-730-TEST and receiving Trinidad instead, hearing an EE voice rise out of the 660 mess and ID as R. St. Lucia, and logging ZIZ and Surinam-725 one night and ZBVI & ZJB the next. This Fall I leave for college. If my parents decide to move, my Cincinnati log will come to a close, but I will never dispose of my log, & I always will have the memories. Hopefully by the next issue I'll have some current DX. One more thing, I have some 1930's radios with stations marked on them. Who was KPBI and whatever happened to KFNF, Shenendoah? That's it. 73. (KFBI was in Abilene, Kansas. KFNF became KYFR-920. -ERC)

*BIG NEWS MUSE!

TERMY A. KLASER - 9720 Vickie Place - St. Louis, Missouri - 63136 WIS-240
 ##### Hello there fellow fanatics! Here comes a bomb! St. Louis has bid on the 1981 NRC Convention! I am the Convention Chairman, and RICH EDDIE is Convention Treasurer. Other help includes ROGER GIANNINI and WALTER BREVILLE. We are the guilty ones who organized it. We chose the Ramada Inn next to the Airport as they have a 24-hour shuttle bus service, and cheap rental for the Convention facilities! This will be the BEST organized Convention that you've ever attended, & I am planning a 32 page Convention booklet! Also the St. Louis group has bid on the new publication committee. I have offered my services as NRC Secretary, and RICH EDDIE has volunteered as NRC Treasurer. We found a good offset printer who gave us a bid of \$345.00 per 32-page issue - total, and that I think is cheaper than what Louisville is paying. We all have a lot of time we can donate, and a great deal of energy. All of us are over 30 and fairly well set in our ways so we will be able to handle things for a few years - starting now! We wish to serve the members of the NRC, & I welcome any letters from members - offering encouragement, advice, articles, stickers for reproduction, etc. I will personally answer each letter the same day I receive it. So get me into the groove if I get the nod for NRC Secretary. Send those letters for I will be unable to attend NRC in LOS ANGELES due to my pregnant wife due around then! Good DX, 73s, and let me hear from all of you soon!

MORRIS IS ON THE MOVE

MORRIS SORENSEN - 53 Duncan Avenue - Kirkland Lake, Ontario - P2N 1X9 7/10/80
 ##### I don't have any DX to report but I thought that I would write a few lines for the "Nostalgia" issue. I received my first radio (a little three-tube set) back in the early 60's while I was still an elementary school student living at home with my parents in the town of Richmond Hill, Ontario, just North of Toronto. In those days my favorite stations were CKRY & CHUM but since at that time they had night powers of 1kw & 2.5kw respectively I often had trouble picking them up after dark and while tuning around for something to listen to I picked up many of the U.S. clears such as WABC, WBL, WLS, etc. Without knowing anything about the hobby of DXing I began keeping notes of the stations I'd heard. My father who had been an SWL in the 1930's told me that such distant reception on BCB was not unusual and also informed me that SWCB stations sent out QSL cards as verifications but he wasn't sure about BCB. Finally in July 1964 I decided to write letters to two of my catches - WET-1110 & WFBL-1390. When both answered with QSL cards I was hooked and began writing reports with a vengeance. At that time my father gave me the use of my first communications receiver, an old Echophone EC-1 (similar to the Hallcrafters 3-38) which he'd owned since the 1940's. I began listening to SW and joined my first radio club, the now defunct Canadian DX Club (CDXC). At that time ANDY RUGG was the BCB Editor and some fine catches were being reported to his column, thus increasing my interest even more. Visits from local CDXCers WAYNE PLUNKETT and TIM KERFOOT gave me additional insights into the hobby. Although I continued to listen on all bands, BCB remained #1 and in 1966 I joined NRC. By that time I was living in the tiny central Ontario town of Emsdale and attending High School in nearby Burk's Falls. In 1971 I moved to Northern Manitoba and the next year I purchased a Hammarlund HQ-150 which I still use today and began doing more foreign DX. My first TA, BEC-1244, was received in October 1972. I have been an NRCer ever since 1966 with the exception of a brief lapse in 1977-78 when I was doing my pre-Masters in History at the University of Manitoba and I still enjoy the hobby of BCB DXing. Well, I guess that's it for now except to say that the address above is effective until about 8/24 around which time I expect to be going to Saskatoon. 73.

INTRODUCING MIKE. WELCOME ABOARD!

MIKE CSORBAY - R. R. #1 - Canfield, Ontario - NOA 1C0
 ##### Since I have just joined NRC, I thought I'd Muse and introduce myself. I'm 17 and have been DXing MW, SW & TV for about 1 1/2 years. I hope to get a good receiver and antenna system to DX FM in the near future, if the funds in the bank are healthy. My totals for MW

(Mike Csorbay, con'd.) are 551 heard from 36 states, seven provinces and eight countries. My total verifications are too small to list (this is supposed to be a Musing, not AMUSING!) but I've verified ten states and one province plus Belize in the Foreign department. I just bought an NRC Log earlier in the year, which started my verification game. I'm at awe at the fact that I'm in the same company as such well-known DXers as you all seem to be. Canfield is just as it sounds; a small hick town about 30 miles South of Hamilton, & I live about four miles from CKOC's (Crosschannel Kings Of Canada) newest tower site, so DX from 1130-1170 kHz is useless, unless I use my TRF. My other main receiver is a Yaesu FBG-7 with a 75' LW. I have a 250' wire up but I ran out of wire to use as lead-in (help!) I would like to hear from any younger members of the NRC, but if any of you "old-timers" want to give me an education in the sunrise days of MW, I'll be more than happy to correspond with you. I would also like to hear from anyone in the NRC in Ontario. I don't have much room to list DX, so I'll just let you know that W4SR-120 Wolfelboro N.H. will be testing from midnight to ??? on August 13. I arranged this for my other club, the Ontario DX Association of ODXA for short; it'll probably be too late when this bulletin comes out anyway, but if you hear the test and don't get an ID, then this may help you. I've made Ernie's eyes water with my half-page Muse, so I'll say 73 for now, & I'm glad to be an NRCer! (We're glad to have you, Mike, but - please be so kind as to double-space your Musings?? -ERC)

THE SHORT HAUL

ALBERT M. HARMON - 30 Woodland Street - Hartford, Connecticut - 06105 7/29/80
 ##### Hello! I thought I'd take the opportunity to introduce myself to the NRC, and to share a few thoughts with fellow DXers. Most people are on vacation and have left their hobbies behind; hence, slow or non-existent DX reports through the Summer. Since I haven't vacationed yet, AM DXing is still part of my routine. It is now time to sharpen our skills and equipment for the coming season. Mid-Summer is poor at best for that long-distance haul, so let's keep things close to home. The object is to log every station in your home state. Easy, you say? Well, not so. Propagation changes by the hour, and electrical storm activity seems always to smother that 250 watt station three towns over. For example, at 1400 WSTC (Stamford) and WILL (Willimantic) both share the frequency, but are located at opposite sides of the state. However, WPOP-1410 is local for me and at 5,000 watts provides enough adjacent channel interference to make it almost impossible to copy either of the two stations at 1400. When seeking low-power locals, electrical noise and adjacent channel spatter are your worst enemies. Work to minimize them, tune your antenna, receiver and operator for best reception. I live in central Connecticut where none of its nearly 40 stations is more than 60 miles from my listening post, and I've logged all but a few. It has taken time, planning and good equipment to achieve that mark. The final stations will allow (or force) me to develop techniques that will work during the best time mid-Winter. Remember, an advantage to Summer DXing is that the critical hours occur in the evening, after most of us are home from work, providing a few extra hours each day for good DXing over those early darkness days of Winter. Take advantage of the time and use it. Trying to succeed when it is not so easy in this case can be both fun and rewarding. (Welcome, Albert, to the NRC!)

DAN'S DX IS DEAD

DAN BARTER Jr. - 4 Hanford Way - Fairport, New York - 14450 1-716-223-4288 5-10pm
 ##### About three weeks ago, on an early Monday AM the wire connections from the coax leads to the braided shielded SM-2 antenna leads - one of these leads touched the handle of the R-390A; and puff.... The SM-2 stopped working! So as soon as I can get bucks together, it's 'off to JOE WORCESTER's' for a "check-up" & repair. I will be in LOS ANGELES at the NRC Convention this year, because American & United Air Lines have a discount "Super-Saver" fare from Rochester to LOS ANGELES for \$415.00, round trip. Otherwise I would be going to Lou-ah-Vull for their Convention Aug. 15-17, just a day or two away. RON SCHATZ, as in your Muse of July 14 - you mentioned a query about an NRC Convention in Miami ('81). Why not make a presentation at the LOS ANGELES Convention? In person, or a cassette tape (if someone out there can borrow a tape recorder). (Ron'll be there to make said presentation, Dan -ERC) Many thanks to one and all you out there in NRC-land, I phoned over the last DX season, DICK TRUAX, BILL COLEMAN, RON SCHATZ, ERNIE COOPER and also special thanks to JOHN CLEMENTS' (wife - mom??) for her gracious help. Very important - does anyone, anywhere have a cassette of the very eloquent TED "Flywheel" FLEISCHAKER's superb vocalizing, audio auctioneering? This great unbelievable highlight was at the St. Louis NRC Convention last year.

DX IS SLOW HERE TOO

ERIC (E.C.) LOY - 604 East Locust - Mahomet, Illinois - 61853 217-586-3255
 ##### I urge every NRCer to put down the times that are better for someone to call this time. Mine is between 1 & 10pm EDT. QSLs are at 65, but it's WJR-760 as #65, a v/q. If someone can give me the address of ZNS-3, I can send them a f'up. This is being written on 6/29-30. TT at 12:52am on 910, apparent switch at 12:55, faded at 12:57. 11:58, TT on 1580 loud, beeped me at 1:00 (CBJ). At 1:15am an ID was heard on 910, "Stay in touch, we're FM-91, Harffarf-mrr, fmmxtl. Research pointed to KSUI, Iowa City, not logged though. No more DX to report today, but maybe more next time. Contribute! (WRTH gives the address for ALL the ZNS stations as Box N-1347, Nassau, Bahamas, Eric - ERC)

WE RESPECTFULLY DEDICATE THIS EDITION OF "MUSINGS OF THE MEMBERS" TO THE MEMORY OF THE TWO LONG-TIME NRCERS WHO DIED THIS SUMMER, ROSS HANSCH and NORMAN MAGUIRE. MAY THEIR SOULS AND THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED, PARTICULARLY FORMER MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL RADIO CLUB, REST IN ETERNAL PEACE.

WE WELCOME A NEW COLORADO MEMBER

ROB HARRINGTON - 3181 South York Street - Englewood, Colorado - 80110 303-781-1185
 ##### Greetings from Englewood, Col. I am pleased (8:30pm - 12:30am PLT) to say I have just joined the NRC. I was once a member of the NRC, that was about seven years ago. Here's a little info on myself: I am 31 years old, not married yet, but hope to be married within the next 18 months. Yes, I have a girl friend who loves DXing; gee, does she have the same problem that I have? I have been interested in DXing since 1963. My first station that I ever heard was Radio Australia on SW in 19 meters. I started SW DXing in 1963. I now have 100 countries heard on shortwave, & 66 QSLed. I got interested in BCB DXing in the year of 1970. Two IRCA members were at one of the meetings in Denver in 1970. They told me about BCB DXing. They are Larry Godwin & Bill Nittler. I joined IRCA in 1971 & started to give BCB DX a try. It was really hard for me to get used to all the weird sounds of BCB DXing. It is not like SW. I still do SW DXing, in fact I do more shortwave than BCB. My true love for DXing has always been SW DXing. I would guess that I DX 60% SW, 37% BCB, & 3% would go to Amateur Radio DXing. During 1979 I owned a Realistic DX 300 RX. I am very happy to say in Feb. 1980 I was able to sell it to an SWL in Illinois. I now have an S-120, a very old Hallicrafters RX for SW listening. I use a TRF for my BCB DXing. I hope to buy a Kenwood R-1000 in October or November 1980. If anyone in the NRC has an R-1000 I would be most interested in hearing about how it performs for you on BCB & SW & on the ham bands. I am now working with the IRCA CPC program. I am trying to get tests set up this Fall for BCB DXers. I have enjoyed my membership in the IRCA, and decided to come back to the NRC. I now belong to 12 clubs: IRCA, NRC, NNRRC, ASDA, ASWLC, WVDXC, MVDXC, NASKA, SPEEDX, DSWNCI, SDXA, WDXC & the CSWLI - NRC is my 13th club! I try to be active in all of the clubs. It's really hard to support 13 clubs, but I am giving it a try. Well, that's all folks, I have to go now, Star Trek is starting on TV. (Welcome to NRC, Rob - we too ask all users to double space. Please? -ERC)

HERE'S ANOTHER NEW MEMBER IN HQ CITY - WELCOME!

RICH LEVIN - 7311 Cross Creek Boulevard - Louisville, Kentucky - 40228
 ##### Being a newly-inducted member of the NRC, I figure that it's about time that I introduce myself. I'm a sophomore at Durrett High School, where I carry a rather heavy schedule. I take a full slate of advanced classes, & I maintain a 3.81 academic average. The classes are tough, and keeping my grades up takes a whole lot of time and effort. I'm also involved in sports, Student Council, the math team, and I'm Class President here at Durrett among other things. My hobbies include baseball, basketball, bowling, collecting baseball cards, and DXing. I have about 14,000 baseball cards, and about 4,000 football cards, many of them might be worth a little bit of something in the \$\$\$ column. (Save 'em ALL, Rich - in another decade or two they'll be almost priceless! -ERC) Anyway, the good old BCB is where I spend a whole lot of time. I'm a data nut. I've got a table or chart for almost everything that has to do with radio stations. I've also been known to have my head buried in my VJ Station Guide memorizing things hours at a time. I use my stereo with a Sony ST80-W tuner hooked into it with an 80' or so LW hooked up to it. I get plenty of QRM sometimes, and lots & lots of local slop. WEAS causes most of my slop problems, completely eliminating 800-860, along with WJLN, disposing of 1230-1250. I've logged 212 on AM (29 states), and 16 of them are Canadian. I've got 58 on FM (six states) and 28 off the tube (seven states). I first got ideas about the NRC in a local newspaper article. It gave some details on the NRC, and about the '77 Louisville Convention, along with a bit of a profile on GARY ATKINS and PAT HARTLAGE. It also mentioned that the world champion was ERNIE COOPER, with 4,106 stations. When I read that, my eyes almost fell out. So now, a couple of years after reading that article, I decided to join the NRC. I'm really glad to be involved with such a proud group, & I hope to be an NRCer for a long time to come. Happy DX & 73's to all. (Welcome, Rich, to you also, and please double space?? -ERC)

AND HERE'S ANOTHER NEW MAN FROM THE KEYSTONE STATE

REM MURPHY - 1358 Lindbergh Avenue - Roslyn, Pennsylvania - 19001 9/12/80
 ##### As a newly subscribed member of the NRC, I suppose an introduction is appropriate. My first name is Remington (to end all suppositions over what the "Rem" could mean - e.g. is-that-Rapid-Eye-Movement-what's-your-middle-name-Norelco?), and have been MW DXing since 1971. My current receiver is a Realistic DX-160, & I use a drooping 70' longwire, which is MNW by SSE. I am currently 22 years old and a Graduate English student at Temple U. in Philly (though you couldn't tell it by this Musing!) This Summer I began serious day-by-day DXing again after an absence of three years. All considered, as Summers go, it's been very successful. I've finally logged Maine, which leaves me with all states East of the Mississippi logged outside of Wisconsin (help! You Philly area DXers - I need Wisconsin!) W1AM-1470 gave me my Maine log around 3:30am on 8/14. Other new logs are WQNT-930 (which is blasting out WBN now!), WLEE-1480 at sunset on 8/19 (verified), WRFD-880 Ohio from 9pm to s/off on 8/27 (verified). (This is being typed on 8/20/80-ERC) WCVL-1550 from 1 to 2am throughout late July (after CBE signs off), & WPUV-1580, around SSS on 9/1. (??? -ERC) Towards the end of July I report WEDM-1580 coming in nightly around 3am and I may have gotten KDAY-1580 at least twice (or was it WGLS?). The several times that I've tried on MMs there were severe T-storms in my locality, though most good DX this Summer has been late at night. SSS DX has been generally nothing but the regular up-state New Yorkers with a few Massachusetts logs thrown in, while SRS has been pretty much stinko. I've yet to hear KSL-1160 this Summer, although WQAI-1200 has at least been coming in. 73's to all fellow DXers, to Mike in Robbins Park, etc. do write me at the listed address! (Welcome to the NRC, Rem! -ERC)

THE NEXT MUSINGS DEADLINE IS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22. IT'LL BE THE FIRST ISSUE OF VOLUME 148.

VACATION, VISITS, AND NOSTALGIA

MICHAEL JEZICRSKI - 3908 Circle Drive - Brookfield, Illinois - 60513 8/13/80
 ##### Hello again. This is a rather late post-vacation Muse. My family & I took a driving trip to Tucson and back 6/14-7/12. I didn't do too much DXing on the trip, since we stayed at TV-infested motels along the way. However, the DXing at the Grand Canyon was almost spectacular as the scenery. WLS & WBBM were heard easily, as were CKWX, KOMO, & a few others I would give anything to hear here. Otherwise, the only noteworthy catch was KXO from Tucson. I managed to visit ten stations out West though, all of which were friendly, although four stood out: KAZM in Sedona, Ariz., KHYT, Tucson, where my aunt had a scheduled a meeting for me for a graduation present (the Production Director was amazed to find that some stations don't verify!); KFLL, Tucson, a religious station with a professional sound and very friendly personnel; and KEOS, Flagstaff, where a DJ almost tore apart the GM's office looking for promo material. The other stations visited were KIIQ, Manitou Springs; KTKT, KCEB & KMGX, Tucson (the CE at KCEB had a page from the NRC Night Pattern Book); KFWJ, Lake Havasu City, Ariz., & KUTA, Blanding, Utah. Locally, WJPC went fulltime 8/11. They are rather weak out here for a Chicago station. Gary Deeb reports that WMRO expects to boost to 2,500w sometime next year. WLTH, WRAN, & WONX are still daytimers, though not for long. I really enjoyed BILL HALE's article on finding distances for GYers. I couldn't find Detroit, which I approximated to be at 42039' by 8305'. Also, my name was skipped over in the GY totals column; was there something missing? Since I missed the nostalgia issue, I'll tell my story now. Like Mr. X (Pat Mason?) I was started in DXing by the Radio Bingo game in "Know Your World", a national grammar school paper. Among the stations listed in the article were KOB-1030 & WFAA-570. I still need KOB. I started on a Juliette clock radio, on which I was able to hear KQA & KYW, as well as about five other clears. One night I went to my grandparents' house, where there was a large receiver from the late '30's. That night I heard WSB, WBZ, & my greatest catch at that time, WQAI. I also heard something very weak mentioning Utah between 1140 & 1170. I eventually graduated to a Sears multiband portable, on which I heard "tougher" clears like KVOO & KSL, as well as WGNT, WDAF, WONE, & WWJ. I learned about the NRC and IRCA in a Popular Mechanics article, & I picked the IRCA, which I joined in 8/78. I bought a TRF in 1/79 & joined the NRC later that year. I've noticed that my "GIs" idea, which was mostly tongue-in-cheek, has caught on. At least I know that someone reads my Musings, hi. I'm way over 30, so 73s or 94s & good DX. Whoa, a hot tip. WPRZ-1530 in Evanston will be pulled off the air sometime in September and will change owners. Get 'em now! That's it.

AUGUST HAS BEEN A LITTLE SLOW

SIDNEY E. MARSHALL - 7224 Pam Drive - Millington, Tennessee - 38053
 ##### While it's still hot, it's nothing like the temperatures we were having when I was preparing my Muse for the Nostalgia issue! While on the subject of the Nostalgia issue, I must say this was a great issue and it brought back many memories of the earlier days. Early days of DXing goes hand-in-hand with my other hobby, i.e., Old Time Radio. Since my last Muse my station total has risen to 786 heard, with the end of July bringing me the following new ones: On 7/24 at 11:55pm to midnight, KENA-1450, Ark., was in very strong with ARN MX folo by s/off. This is GYer #62. Then on 7/27 @ 10pm KUXL-1570, Minn., popped in with full s/off heard. On 7/28 KTHS-1480 Ark., came in, behind WQCM's s/off, with ID, mention of morning program skeds, and mx from 9:16 to 9:20pm. A few minutes later at 9:30pm WFWV-1580 Ill. was in weak, but clear, with most of s/off heard. KVPI-1050 La., was in on 7/29 at 9:16pm with all of s/off heard. Then on 7/30 at 9:40pm KVGB-1590 was in, like a local, for several minutes with Red Sox-Royals ball game, ID, & several spots. The month of August has been slow for new ones with only one, at the time of preparing this Muse on 8/17, as follows: On 8/8 @ 8:31pm, WQTA-950, Ga., boomed in, with excellent signal, with full s/off heard. I have a heavy work sked for the next few weeks so DXing will have to take a back seat & I may not have a Muse for the next issue. Good DXing to all!

BEWARE OF THE DX-200

DALLAS LANFORD - 3505 Evelyn Circle - Ruston, Louisiana - 71270 8/11/80
 ##### I recently dropped by the local Radio Shack to take a look at the DX-200. In some ways it is a nice little receiver, but the disadvantages were what particularly caught my attention. Listening was done at about 3pm. The antenna was a 40' "short wire" run along the ceiling inside a metal building! Needless to say, about all that was audible was the fluorescent lights! Well, not quite. A few BCE locals limped through, & the 15 mHz band produced a few signals. I zeroed in on YWV (15 mHz) while I chatted with the salesman. "Great little receiver, etc." etc." As we talked, I noticed that YWV had vanished. Faded? Nope - a slight adjustment of the bandspread tuning recaptured YWV. Then for the next 15 minutes I "chased" YWV around. The DX-200 is the most incredible "drifter" I have ever seen. Buyer beware! Tuning is also very "mushy". And the plastic front plate seems to be a departure from the usual practice of fully enclosing a communications receiver in metal (for the obvious reasons of stability, strength, shielding, and so on). Seeing junk like this on the market makes me appreciate those fine old tube type "battleships" all the more. Good to hear from you, Dallas, but please double space??? -ERC)

ONE YEAR IN PARADISE

STEVEN PARADIES - 18 Cornwell Avenue - Millville, New Jersey - 08332 8/14/80
 ##### Greetings! Just a quick note to mark my first anniversary as an NRCer. My first Musing was in the 9/3/79 issue, so this one marks one year. DX has slackened with only one report to WXYZ-1270, Mich. Next issue comes my totals (as meager as they may be).
 FOR THE NEXT SEVERAL ISSUES, DX NEWS WILL COME TO YOU EVERY TWO WEEKS.
 WE NEED YOUR MUSINGS FOR THESE ISSUES, GANG! LET'S HEAR FROM ALL OF YOU!
 NEXT MUSINGS DEADLINE IS MONDAY SEPT. 22.

GEORGE IS BACK FROM HIS VACATION

GEORGE WALTON - 314 High Street - Easton, Pennsylvania - 18042
 ##### Hello members. Well, vacation is over. I had a great time in Toledo. I finally got to meet NRC'er KEN RONSTADT. I also watched GARY SIEGEL do an awful lot of TV DXing. Everything took place at the home of JOHN BUEHLER. A real good time was had by everyone I'm sure, playing poker, drinking Busch, shooting darts, drinking Busch, AM DXing, drinking Busch, and in general just being rowdy. Mix all that with Tigers baseball, Lucas County Fair, Put-in-Bay, and you now can see how it is possible to have a good time in Toledo. Even my wife Eileen and daughter Jennifer seemed to have a good time. On the subject of DX, I heard a very interesting test on the morning of August 16. WKBA in Vinton, Va. was first heard at 1:06am. The engineer gave a phone number to see if anyone would call. Leaving my tape recorder on, I ran downstairs to call. He wanted to put me on the air but I declined. I asked him to mention the NRC. He did, and did anyone else hear it? He was definitely under the influence of something, as his speech grew more and more slurred and his laughter became uncontrollable. He was having a good time. I got the whole thing on tape, and it is unbelievable some of the things this guy said. I wonder if he still has a job. Definitely it is one of my strangest catches - all in all, a very strange equipment test. Funny, but strange. Varies are in from WBY, WPGC, which included a CM for AM & FM. My verification from WVIO was nothing more than my original report signed by someone and the statement "Consider this a verification". A real money-saving idea for the station. I hope all stations don't adopt this way of verifying. The Voice of Cuba finally got around to replying to a report I sent them in March. New catches this month include WLDN Westfield, Mass., WERI, West Warwick, R.I., & CRBW in Bridgewater, N.S. The state of Pennsylvania does not require license plates on the front of a car so WZZO in Bethlehem is offering their own plates with their own colorful logo. They cost \$2.00 with all proceeds going to Jerry Lewis. If any of you collectors want one let me know soon as they may not be around long. I will have to ask for a little more than \$2 though to cover shipping. Gotta go now. Good DX to all & I hope I haven't gone over the limit. As they say in Nashville - Why not Share a Muse?

EXPLAINING THE KIX-101.5 ID

BILL BERGDANO - 39 Marble Street - Staten Island, New York - 10314 212-698-4735
 ##### I figured I'd let ya' all know I'm still around (or do you really care, hi). All DX is (eh, should be) in DXDD. So what's new? New York, New Jersey, New Monia, hi. No, really I'm proud to announce I'm the new GYDXA editor. The format is basically the same as BILL HALE's was, so peruse through the DX NEWS to find out when deadlines, etc. are. You can phone in any entries you may have passed over inadvertently, weeknights, pre-paid, 7-10pm; weekends, any time. Now to some much important bizness: Re the "KIX 101.5" everyone is getting on 1260 of late, I am of the conclusion that STEVE PARADISE is right, but on a certain M 8:35am I heard "This is WCRT, Birmingham, testing." This was lost to "KIX" in QRM fast. So I figured I'd knock out a report to WCRT, but stating they were dumping out "KIX" in my report. OK, so now any bird brain can see what I'm alluding to - in comes a v/1 from Hal Fredericks, stating he verifies that! Evidently WCRT and the Trenton, N.J. station mixed in on 1260 at the same time. I apologize for any problems I may have caused in this bit. Che sera sera, hi. Other than that, RICK KENNEALLY, you sure know how to get a person's attention! In your Musing in the Aug. 2 issue, you were describing a WC opening you experienced. & I quote: "I knew just then what was happening. I had just read a Kothball Memory where Bill Bergadano recalled the night he logged Arizona & Oregon," etc. Boy, Rick, did you have to rub it in? When I heard KIX, I had just shut off my recorder, but most important, I've not logged Oregon. But I do recall the piece you read. I wish it was me. But it's (sob, whimper, etc.) someone else. On the local front WSLA, the College of S.I. station licensed for 88.9 is still not on - & I was the one who opened up the CP out of the FCC envelope - when I was the new PD in Jan. '79! The college is full of red tape, and absurdity prevails - how many stations offer \$9,500 for a GM for one year? Then put him on the payroll, when the station's not even broadcasting to our cafeteria (due to vacation)? When you hold a CP for 10w for Todd Hill, 404' above C level, and you sit still you're an idiot in my book. Hey, over my limit, so adios or something like that. 73s.

A 15-YEAR-OLD DXER REMINISCES!

LYNN GILLIS - Box 105 - Bloomfield, Kentucky - 40008 502-252-5069
 ##### Hi to all. Summer DX is fair (for Summer). The good stuff is in the columns so I won't use up space here. Although it's an issue late, I'll let you know how I became a DXer. It's been a "luck trip" all the way. My original start was the result of an article in the Louisville Times about DXing and the LPC members (four at that time). Since I don't get the Times, I was at a friend's house when I saw it; the page was opened to it. So I went home & DXed, logging & verifying 23 "clears" in the three months leading up to my birthday, 6/22/79, when I turned 14. On April 13 or so, I got a WJR verie from MIKE STONEBRIDGE. It had gotten stuck on his envelope & he mailed it to me. We started corresponding, & he let me in on the NRC (which I'd forgotten about in the article) & I joined starting 7/16/79. On 6/22/79 (my birthday) I got an AM FM cassette player, not a "DX machine" by any means but a great improvement over the table radio I had. I wrung about 160 more out of it. Then for Christmas I got a TRF. I promptly logged CHOO-1390 for #185 & I was rolling. Then I was lent GARY ATKINS' SP-600 on 4/10/80, hooked it up to a 75' LW & heard CRRB-1010 for #101. I used that combo till 6/28 when I bought the SP-600 from Gary & got hold of a loop. I've now heard a total of 456, in about 13 months' worth of serious DXing. I'm scratching up parts & cash to build a spiral loop, & this Winter I'll take about 500-plus feet of wire to a lot far from electrical noise & see what happens. Though Summer CX & quickly-approaching school have limited my DX, when I get settled & CX improve I'll be ready to get going again. Let's get more NRC members and fewer DX NEWS subscribers this Winter! (I'll drink to that! -ERC)

DICK TRUAX - 3003 Gleason Lane - Jeffersonton, Kentucky - 40299
 ##### No new loggings here since 4/21. Local WJWJ-1080 is changing formats as of about 8/11, to modern C&W from rock so look for possible call change here. The 1290spot vacated by local WDCS last Fall still is open, leaving only WHIO in Dayton days at over 150 miles. Continuing local daytime bandscan from #28: 1010-WCSI/WICI, 1020-WCIL/KDKA, 1040-WHO, 1050-WZIP/WMES, 1060-WJKY, 1070-WIBC, 1080-WKJJ, 1090-WKFI, 1100-WWVE, 1110-WCNR/WHIT, 1120-KNOX, 1130-WKED/WCM/WAMG, 1140-WKCM/WSTV/WIXC, 1150-WLOC/WNST, 1160-WJJD, 1170-WLBH/WVA, 1190-WCWO, 1210-WAVI, 1220-WBIM/WFKN, 1230-WHIR/WTCJ, 1240-WINN, 1250-WNVL/WLCK, 1260-WNDE/WNXT, 1270-WOEX/WAIN, 1280-WIKI/WGPF, 1290-WHIO, 1300-WTEC/YMAK, 1310-WIFE/WTLL, 1320-WBRT, 1330-WKKR/WTR/WGO. 340-WKEY/WBGN/WBIV, 1350-WLOU, 1360-WSAI/WFLW, 370-WTTS/WTKY, 1380-WWKY/WQK/WMTA, 1390-WJCD/WFW, 1400-WJEL/WCYN, 1410-WLBJ/WING, 1420-WHBN/WVJS, 1430-WLBC/WIRE/WJRB, 1440-WNGR/WGDS, 1450-WXVW/WCKQ/WMOH, 1460-WOCH/WRVK, 1470-WCAC/WBUT/WBFC, 1480-WCIN/WTHI/WTLO, 1490-WPKY/WKAY/WOMI, 1500-WBRI/WKXO, 1510-WIAC/WATY, 1520-WHIC/WBSL/WVSL, 1530-WCKY, 1540-WPML/WCKB/WGRK, 1550-WJDW, 1560-NUME/WCWW, 1570-WOBS, 1580-WAXO/WMTL, 1590-WLBN/WNTS, 1600-WSIL/WLLS As noted earlier these represent normal reception year-round between 10am & 2pm. I recently bought a used typewriter so ERC might be able to read this a bit easier. I'm looking forward to the upcoming DX season - no new catches mean nothing to report, & I like to "brag" about my catches once in a while! How about the rest of you members Musing so ERC's fingers get a good workout? More as it happens.

CENTRAL FLORIDA DX-PEDITION - PART I

8/17/80

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 ##### On Aug. 16th, JEFF LOCKWOOD and I took a 15 hour, 340 mile tour of Central Florida tower sites, studios, and orange groves. First stops were WINQ-1010 & WFLA-910. We visited tower sites only here. We then proceeded to WPC-1280, Lake Wales, a very small station. Only one person was on duty, the DJ, so we took off on a self-tour of the station. Next stop was WZNG-1360, Winter Haven. Here we met Diana, the Station Manager, who gave us a 45-minute tour. She was very friendly, and explained to us in detail that WZNG will soon be full time and how that came to pass. Upon leaving Winter Haven, we set out to find WGT0's towers in Cypress Gardens. They are located 2 1/2 miles NE of Lake Alfred. WGT0 has five towers, and they are 50kw D, 1kw night. I've heard that WGT0 is considering going to 10kw night, but to do so, a ten-tower array must be built! At each of the sites, Jeff photographed the studio building, and towers. He used his Panasonic 2600 as a direction finder, tracking down signals using the RF gain and ferrite bar. We then drove to Orlando, and found the sites for WKIS-740, WLOF-950, & WHOO-990. WHOO was hard to get to; we had to go through an apartment complex first! Jeff will cover Apopka to Lakeland on Part 2. Personally, it's been a while since I've Mused. Totals are now 345 domestic, 399 in all. My SM-2 loop has a short in it, so it can only be used passively. More next time. The best!

MIAMI RADIO DOINGS

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 ##### Well, assuming I attended the fabulous LOS ANGELES Convention, & without an unexpected side trip to José Martí Airport, hi - I really had a great time meeting old & new friends out there. I hope to see you all again next year in New Jersey or (hopefully) here in Broward County. Now, about the HQ-180 & the R-388 I want to sell. I've been swamped with calls & letters about them, but first I must look them over so the buyers won't get the BBB after me, hi. The 180 has an alignment problem on one of its SW bands, & I must take care of that first. Keep watching DX-Change for the official word - O.K.? By the way, Cubans pronounce "OK" as "oquey" in Miami but "oca" in Habana, something even more trivial that the ridiculous "Ye-l-griega" controversy. Hollywood's WADY-1320 became a gentleman again & is now WICY, "Lucky 13, playing the Music of Your Life"; i.e. nostalgic standards of the past 40 years. Miami's newest SS appeared with a blast around midnight of 8/4 (?), when WWOX-1260 turned into WHTT, "Radio Hit", a high-pressure operation with a sound more typical of San Juan than Miami. They managed to snatch Antonio "Toni" Rivas, an ex-"musical shark" from WOCN-1150, for their AM drive. No doubt they'll do good in the ARB-itrons in a few months, but "Super-Q" is tough to beat. By the way, WHTT puts a very decent daytime signal into central Cuba, the only Miami SS to do so. Now for the "weirdo" news item: WNW-790 is asking for 780 kHz 50/10kW DA-2. With Rebelde-780 in Casaguey only 300 miles away at 30kw & blasting into Miami 24 hours a day, they must be nuts! Perhaps they're going by a 1959 Cuban list, hi. WREC-1550 has been trying to go fulltime for months, going by my own testimony that no Cuban presently occupies their channel; they may not have much of a case, methinks. By the way, KRC's tower complex is located on ocean platforms off the tip of Key Biscayne; you may have a gun pointed at you if you approach the place without warning! 73 de RFS.

CONGRATULATIONS TO DAVE!

DAVE ROGERS - Box 465 - Fort Supply, Oklahoma - 73041
 ##### Greetings! I just returned from vacation in Taos, N.M. (actually it was our honeymoon as I got married July 12 after 31 years as a bachelor). I didn't do much DXing but did go by local KXIT-1340. They seemed friendly enough & said they would verie correct reports. They also said their r c is third Wed. from 2 to 2:15 ET. They broadcast in EE, SS, & Indian dialects. KXRT (FM) studios were located in the motel where we stayed (Kachina Best Western) but they were temporarily off the air due to technical problems (so they stated). KOB-770 has about the best coverage of any N.M. station as we started picking them up on the car radio just as soon as we crossed from the Oklahoma Panhandle over into New Mexico. We also listened to KLMX-1450 & KRTR-1490 on the way. While passing through the Sangre de Cristo Mountains we did notice several spots where there was nothing

(Dave Rogers, com'd.) audible on the AM band. One verie recently; a v/1 & CM from KHYM-1060. The v/s mentioned he is a former IRCAer. That brings my verie total on CBC to 577 from 43 states plus D.C. & 20-plus foreign countries. I still do most of my DXing (when I'm active) on the Hammarlund HQ-145-A with a spiral loop. I see NRC has another Oklahoma member in JOHN ZONDLO. I'm also a member of the IRCA & WTPDA. 73 & good DX.

HER'S SOUPED UP HIS TRF 8/19/80

DAVE LEGLER - 354 West Wadsworth Hall - Michigan Tech University - Houghton, Michigan - 49931
Considering I have been an NRC member for about 3 1/2 years & I have Mused only once or twice before, I thought it was about time I Mused again! A re-intro; I'm a 21 year old computer science major at Michigan Tech University in Houghton, Mich. Although I'm writing this from my home in Marquette, Mich. about 100 miles from Houghton, by the time you read this, school will have started, hence the address above. School plus a busy Summer job sked have kept me away from the dials lately, but I did find the time to soup up my Hutton-purchased TRF using several helpful DX NEWS articles. I modified it for 10 kHz readout (1/16 /78 & 4/1/78 DX NEWS), added an S-meter (5/12/80), and installed a "real" external antenna jack (3/6/78). Instead of putting a birding post on the side for the jack, I took the wire that would have gone to this birding post and connected it to the existing antenna jack where the black wire (from the variable condenser) was attached. I subsequently cut off the black wire. Then I attached a 1/16th inch plug onto the leads from my 2' spiral loop, and voila! I can now plug my loop into the external antenna jack and pull in the DX! To anyone who is considering making the same modifications I did; DO IT! If I can do it, anybody can, hi. Seriously, many thanks to GERRY THOMAS and CHARLIE BARFIELD, CHRIS BOBBITT, and MARK CONNELLY for taking the time to write such useful articles. On to other matters, my next project, whenever I get around to it, will probably be the simple loop antenna amplifier described on P. 22 of the NRC Antenna Reference Manual. If I get really ambitious, I may even try the FET Altazimuth Loop Antenna, but that will probably have to wait until next Summer. By the way, I'm also a member of the IRCA & WTPDA. Unfortunately, lack of \$\$ prevents me from attending any conventions this Summer. Maybe next year! 73's to all, and I'll try to kuse again soon!

AUGUST HAS BEEN GOOD FOR DAVE 8/21/80

DAVE FOX - 333 Douglass Street - Reading, Pennsylvania - 19601
I hope that everyone is getting ready for another good DX season. Things have been very slow here until the last few days when attempts at DX have been made. Beginning with MM 8/18 old pest WTTT-1530 was at it again with an ET around 1:30-2:30am - only this time w/c/w mx. WNBC-660 was noted off the air @ 2am & ERMG-740 was conducting one of their frequent ETs at 2am. Semi-local WGAN-1470 is now silent MM with a s/on at 5:30am with their new c/w format. WMBD & CHOW dominate 1470 during this time after the CKO s/off. WUPP-1600 was heard booming in 4-5:30am and also heard with WRLR after their 5:30 s/on. Both on 8/18 & 8/19 @ 5:59am weak s/ons were heard from first WJIS and WACK on 1600. The former was preceded by a bit of Dixie and the latter mentioned a PSA of 500w. Too bad nothing more of these was heard. Also on 8/18 @ 5:59am a weak s/on from WBCU-1460 was heard with no SSB. On 8/19 several FFCs were noted at s/off; CHEF-1450 after NX & Oh Canada at 12:03am and CKRB -1460 @ 12:12am after period of cl mx, mention of CBC & vocal Oh Canada. CBJ-1580 also noted in well at 1:05am s/off - almost immediately into TT then. S/on for CBJ noted at 5:15am. Back on 8/17 from 8:10-8:15 enough for report to WBLP-970 was finally heard. Pirates BB and several local spots were heard well. On 8/20 the s/on of WNDJ-1260 was noted @ 5:59am with UPI NX & 6:05 plug for their SX coverage. Only a few veries were received this Summer; KVOA-730 for DX TEST, WHHH-1440, WZZD-990, WRSC-1390 & WITB-1230. Total now 1290 heard and 870 verified. For what it's worth I also received my first FM verie on a very accidental logging of KAYL-101.5 back on 7/19. Maybe next Summer I'll try FM. Let's all try to support the Club this season and perhaps we can get a few DX TESTS out of our locals. I promise to try! Remember that September and October are two very good DX months. Don't wait too long to start listening!

HARRISON SPRINGS A SARATOGA BANDSCAN ON US

HARRISON PIERCE REED III - 123 Woodlawn Avenue - Saratoga Springs, New York - 12866
Hello friends; how about a bandscan? I use an RCA pocket radio of mid-60's vintage, with a feedback loop from the final IF to the IF input (I have to be careful to avoid oscillation howl, hi). I will rate each station on signal strength, from 1 (barely audible) to 10 (very strong). WLLX-540 (1)/unID; WDEV-550 (2 1/2)/WGN (1); WCKL-560 (7)/HYN (2); WSYR-570 (4 1/2)/WACA (2 1/2); WTAG-580 (4); WRON-590 (9); WICC-600 (2 1/2); WSWG-610 (4)/unIDs; WHEK-620 (5)/WVAT (4); WPRO-630 (2)/WJL (1 1/2); WNBC-660 (6); WRKO-680 (3)/WNR (2); CBF-690 (5 1/2); WLM-700 (1); WOR-710 (5 1/2); WGN-720 (2); WACE-730 (5)/WDOS (3); CBL-740 (1)/WGS (1 1/2); WEEB-750 (1); WJR-760 (1); WABC-770 (6 1/2); WAEB-790 (1)/unIDs; WLAD-800 (1)/CKLV (1)/unIDs; WGY-810 (10); WNYC-830 (1); WRYM-840 (1 1/2); WDDH-850 (1 1/2)/unIDs; WBSB-860 (3)/CJCB (1); WZCU-870 (2); WCBZ-880 (7) (QRM, WKAJ), WKAJ-900 (1011); WKQC-910 (3 1/2)/unID (QRM, WKAJ) WGHZ-920 (7), QRM-WKAJ; WIZR-930 (8)/WREB-930 (1); CBM-940 (3)/WINE (1p); WIBX-950 (6) /WHPN (2); WELI-960 (2)/WEAV (2)/unID; WCHN-970 (2 1/2)/unIDs, QRM, WTRY. WTRY-980 (10); WYSC-990 (2)/unIDs; WENB-1000 (2) WILS (1)/unIDs; WINS-1010 (1)/unID; KDKA-1020 (1 1/2); WZ-1030 (7 1/2); WEN-1050 (5 1/2)/CHUM (1 1/2) WSEN (1)/unIDs; CJRP-1060 (1)/WCTR (1); WKAR-1070 (1 1/2) WKOK (1) WSCP (2); WTIC-1080 (8); WILD-1090 (2)/CHRS (1 1/2); WHLI-1100 (1); WUHN-1110 (6); 1120-unIDs; WNEW-1130 (5); WRUN-1150 (4); WLIB-1170 (1 1/2) WJMQ (1 1/2) WVVA (1) WKZE (2); WHAM-1180 (2); WLIB-1190 (2)/unIDs; WCAU-1210 (1); WKBK-1220 (1) unIDs; WHUC-1230 (3) WMBB (2)/WLPH (1 1/2); WNYD-1240 (8 1/2); WARE-1250 (2 1/2) WIPS (1 1/2); WBNR-1260 (1 1/2) WNDR (1); WDLA-1270 (2 1/2) WSPR-1170 (2); 1280-unIDs; WKNE-1290 (1) WNEF (1 1/2) WGLI (2); WQBX-1300 (8) WAVZ (1); WATR-1320 (1 1/2)/unIDs (QRM, WBAZ). WHAZ-1330 (9 1/2); WENT-1340 (7) WBRK (4); 1350-unIDs; WDRB-1360

(H. P. Reed, com'd.) (2)/unIDs; WBTN-1370 (7 1/2)/WPEA (2); WSYB-1380 (3 1/2)/WVNR (1); WBOK-1390 (3)/WFBL (2 1/2); WBYA-1400 (8) unIDs; WBAZ-1410 (8 1/2)/WFOP-1410 (1 1/2)/unIDs; WRMV-1420 (2 1/2)/WBEC (2); WTTT-1430 (1 1/2)/unIDs; WFTQ-1440 (1) unID; WWSG-1450 (8); WOKO-1460 (9 1/2); WCSS-1490 (8 1/2); 1570-unIDs; WADR-1480 (2 1/2)/WCFR (1 1/2); WCSS-1490 (8 1/2)/WFAD (3); WFFP-1500 (1 1/2)/unIDs; WITS-1510 (2)/WRAN (1)/unIDs; WKBW-1520 (1-7)/unID; WDJZ-1530 (2) (QRM-WFTR); WPTN-1540 (10)/unIDs; WNTN-1550 (2)/WUTQ (2)/WELB (1 1/2); WQXR-1560 (2-7); WKOL-1570 (9)/unIDs; WYFA-1580 (1 1/2); WQQW-1590 (2)/unIDs; WMCB-1600 (1 1/2) WJAY (1 1/2)/unID. That's as detailed and thorough as I get with my receiver, hi. Next week (or should I say, next time) I'll send a bandscan from Albany, N.Y. about 35 miles South of here. Until that time, 73's.

JERRY HAS FOND MEMORIES OF NORM MAGUIRE

JERRY STARR - c/o YSRD Radio - Youngstown, Ohio - 44505
Greetings all. I was both saddened and shocked to learn of the passing of NORM MAGUIRE. In all my trips to Albuquerque I was only able to get in touch with him once, when WAYNE HEINEN & I visited him last October. Most NRCers never got to meet Norm, which is too bad, he was a really interesting person. Because he maintained a low profile in the DXing community, most did not know of his interesting background, that he was the first CE of KOB-TV when television was still in its infancy, that he was an extremely brilliant designer and held several patents for important aircraft designs used in military and commercial aircraft, that he was quite a financial whiz in the stock market, or that he was an accomplished sailor and loved to sail. He could talk the leg of a brass monkey on nearly any subject you could name yet never be boring. He was a gracious host who welcomed visitors openly. He will be sadly missed. His collection of verifications was mind-boggling. I hope some effort will be made to preserve them. On a lighter note, I actually turned on the RX 8'17-18, first time in months. Nothing startling was heard although a tester was noted on 1580 at the illegal time of 9:20-9:45pm 8/17 w/Sinatra record over and over. I assume it might be WCRV who seems to do this occasionally, loop bearing supports this but no IDs were heard. Otherness from the past DX NEWSes; Welcome new area member GENE WALEGA of New Middletown. Gene probably has both WOT & WENB XRs in his backyard. Also hi to AL RESNICK, are you the same person who worked at KQV years back? Youngstown-metro will get its first-ever AM call change soon as WPAR-1470 has applied for WYES. Every other AM station in this market is still using the same calls it went on the air with, something of an oddity. WTCL-1570 was first granted WNDL and WQPT-1500 was granted WYNO but neither of these were ever used on the air as both CPs were sold and the calls were changed before the stations were built. I see KELLY ANDREWS has moved to Texas, this probably accounts for why I was unable to locate him on two recent trips to Richmond, Va. A puzzle in the AM Switch in the 7/14 DX NEWS, the station on 1060 in Flemingsburg, Ky. was listed both as "granted construction permit" and "dismissed application." Hmm - could there perhaps have been two applications for the same frequency? By the way, ERNIE, has your WZEE-1170 become WKRZ yet? That was the call of the first station I worked for, then it was in Oil City, Pa. (They aren't changing, Jerry - the WKRZ call is going to WERE-1340 -ZRC) Looks like I'm missing my first Convention since 1971 but L.A. is out @s to other commitments. I strongly endorse the North Jersey bid for '81. The one North Jersey put on in '70 was one of the best. We might even arrange another lamp-launch. But please, send a photo with WBC in the next block next time! If anybody'd like a copy of the YAD-80 group photo; they're available from me for \$1.00 a copy & SASE. Remember, NOW is the time to start writing your CPC requests. 73 & good DX.

THOSE WERE THE GOOD OLD DAYS

STEVE BEZILLA - 307 Second Avenue - Osceola Mills, Pennsylvania - 16666 8/16/80
Error in my last Muse makes me Muse again. The 15 watt KPFL in Greenville Tex. is KPFM "The Kew Furniture Station". Verified on a test March 21, 1930. Some of the better reports came from Clarksville, Ia., Tuscola, Ill., New Windsor, N.D. and from my old homestead, Norem, Pa. about eight miles up the road, at age 20. Best years of DXing were 1927 to 1932. My first verie, WQCA, Pensacola, Fla., Oct. 1927. They sent me a letter Feb. 1928, inviting me to listen to their second birthday party. The good old days of DXing. Stations begged for reports. They wanted to know how far they reached. How we enjoyed the programs. Pictures, pennants were easy to get. I remember WLAC sent me a metal double spool with black and white thread and two needles in the center of the spool. Best radio I ever used was a \$20 RCA Radiola II, like a cigar box, bakelite top, two W.D.11 tubes sticking up through giving a bit of light for the arrow-like dial, extra sharp tuning, great for the West Coast reception, with earphones. But WGY, KDKA and the closer big ones, I used a gooseneck speaker with it. My veri collection amounts to about 60, when the postage was 2¢. I have some late ones after I joined NRC, only for the Club TESTS. My best daytime catch was WCMI, 100 watts, Ashland, Ky, about noontime in the 30's. 73s.

AM AND FM DX HAS BEEN GOOD

FAT MASON - 64 Spring Lake R.R. 5 - Mahomet, Illinois - 61853
Not much DXing recently, but since last muse I have added 72 new FM's, most from a month ago. Thirty-four of them were logged on 7/17, between the hours of 4-10pm, EDT. I have never experienced a better FM DX opening since I began DXing this band. Most of the catches were from Texas - eight newies from San Antonio, four from Houston, two from Dallas, & many others, including two New Mexicoos. Also countless unID FFC stations were heard. I received a call from JOHN CLEMMER of Peoria, as he also logged many newies on this occasion. TV Channels 2-6 had many newies, or should I say "would-be newies", as there were too many to count an ID, shucks. A couple of weeks ago, I was receiving almost every FM from Detroit, 12 new, a few others from Lansing & vicinity. Anyone interested in what I have been receiving on FM can write me - I would like to compare lists with other FM DXers. On CBC, ten newies were logged: WKBX-630, ERGI-1430, WSHN-1550, WIFF-1570, KLT1-1560, WFR-1570

(Pat Mason, con'd.) KBRF-1250, WGOE-1590 (per f/o list), KNDY-1570; & WQEM-1440 (finally!) Veries are in from: WBO-1040, WGOE-1590 & KQNK-1530. The Phoenix, Ariz. P.O. has once again rejected my letter to KRDS in Telleon, but I'm willing to try again. August DX has been slow since the Detroit FM opening, and golfing is receiving more attention, as school and the golf team are only three days away. Now the totals read as of 8/18: AM-638, FM-349, and TV-194 for a grand total of 1,181. On 8/9 GARY ATKINS, ERIC LOY, & I had a mini-GTC at my house, and JOHN CLEMMER arrived here on 8/17, on his way home from the IRCA Convention, with a bag of convention goodies for Eric and me to split. We had a good time both occasions. What is "Z-100" from St. Louis on 99.9? Time to split. 26's.

GREG DID SOME CONVENTION-HOPPING

GREG MONTI - 1110 Fidler Lane - Silver Spring, Maryland - 20910
 In July, I took ten days on the West Coast to attend two DX conventions. The first was ANARC in Irvine, Cal. July 18-20. Considering there are two major MW clubs that are ANARC members, plus several UHF-VHF clubs, there were an awful lot of shortwave sessions there. I spoke with another DXer there whom I'd met in NYC at a Metropolitan Area DXers (MADmen) GTC, and he said that last year's ANARC had much more variety and choice. The highlight of ANARC was the HAP auction, conducted by Radio Canada International's Ian MacFarland. Bidding was high and furious at times, especially with DON ERICKSON there, hi. The items I had my eyes on, Radio Sweden T-Shirts and Royal Canadian Air Force LP's, were going for a bit too much for me, over \$20 apiece. After ANARC, it was up to L.A. for some general vacationing and visiting, plus some decent Mexican FM DX. It even comes in in a moving vehicle in stereo in L.A.! We tried to get up to Mount Wilson (the XR farm), but had only limited luck finding the right road. Later in the week, it was off to Eugene, Ore. via Amtrak, arriving in plenty of time for the G7DXA/EURP GTC, hosted by radio junkie PETE NOLAN. The KUGN tour, the promo smorgasbord, and the attempted Saturday SSS DXpedition to the Oregon Coast were the definite highlights. It was good to meet several G7DXers who are also in the broadcasting industry. There were many sticker-grabbers among us, and oohs & ahs at sticker collections (especially Pete's!) Only other Easterner there was GEORGE GREENE, so I guess I was the longest traveler, or whatever. 73's to all.

LOGGINGS AND VERIES IN THE SPRING

TONY FITZGERBERT - 116 Devon Road - Chalfont, Pennsylvania - 18914 8/22/80
 Hi, everyone. I am inspired to muse while awaiting a flight home after business in Detroit. Update your logs - WQZY-1500 joins the 50k ranks of REL, as the "Praise of Detroit." WCXI, ex-WCAR, is a popular o/w outlet, at 1130 MHz. WNIC, ex-WYER, 1310, is the AM T-40 outlet, but wait - WCAR lives! At 1090, it is a fulltime ETH/REL/TLK station in Livonia, with night directional away from Detroit. WCHB-1440 is the local DIS/SOL station, although located in Inkster. I did hear one night, when not out, on CHYR "Now we must interrupt for technical adjustments at this end - turn your dial to 730, and listen for this sound." Then a weak signal at 730 with "Hi, we're back" fole by the ID. Highlights of late Spring DX, so you know who veries. WEAU-960, WGHQ-920, WTAR-790 (with a package of material) during a WAEB SP, WRIV-1390, WJDA-1300 (Little Act of Kindness), WFLM v/c, & WQCY-1300 on 4/21, v/1. WLNH mailed my letter back with no comment. Also WRKO, WYWG-1460 & WOKO-1460 with a very friendly letter on 5/10 looking for reports "in two months" as they are installing a new ground system. (How about taking the opportunity to help out an interested broadcaster?) Also WPHB & WEZE on 1260 on 4/25 w/v/1's. Other surprises were WICE, WKXL, Concord, N.H. (3Y achievement?). May was great too - v/1 from WFEA, also I logged WAJR & WHIS, both 1440, WNLK-1350 (cordial v/1), WEOK-1390 w/v/1, & CHYR7 right over giant CEAC for 30 minutes on 5/5. WNOX during a WZZD SP. (When is this silent period, Tony? - ERC) WLYN-1360 on 5/5 & 5/6 w/v/1. A double on 1280 with WBRX & WYVR, fole by WYKC-1590 at SSS w/s/off. WYOW veried with a Bible Tract & v/1, CROC v/1, & WATR-1320 w/v/1 from AE who DXes. I also logged WKIK-1370 on 5/17, & WLDW-1570 Mass. (new call?) (I show a WLDW as ex-WDEW -ERC) & WKOX-1190 on 6/6, who sent a package of material. By the way, on 1570, local WBUK calls it quits at 6pm on Summer Sat. & Sun. GY achievements on 1230 - WJNF & 1240, WYON R.I. with humor-laden v/1, & on 6/30 WPKN-1280 w/v/1 from anchor woman whom I logged. WHEU-1150 request returned as they have no address in Boston. Finally, WUHN, ex-WUPB-1110 on 6/10. Final GY achievement was WABY-1400 - more DX in the fall! By the way, add WAIQ-1590 & WAKN-1260 to WBIO-1310 as now off the air in this basic area. For the next muse, JIM GUTHRIE & I have assembled many more call letter meanings. Best regards. (Who signed your WUHN veries? -ERC)

DXING "ABOVE THE BIRDS"

MIKE HARDESTER - 574 Deer Springs Road - San Marcos, California - 92069 8/17/80
 The BYRDS had their hit record "Eight Miles High" a few years ago & while I was about seven miles short (6.73 miles roughly) I think a potential record may be in the offing. What I'm babbling about is DXing at 6700 feet (a bit over 2km up) at a site approximately four miles from where KTOT (now KBBV)-1050 aired their 5/26/69 DX TEST: Big Bear Lake, Cal. Though I've been there numerous times, I have never really seriously DXed the area & of course the first time I do, a geomagnetic storm hits! Still, I noted the L.A. stations were easier to null than near San Diego (a farther distance) & KSL-1150 seemed to have another station under them! Not the best DX CX but an idea of the potential. QRM is a bit high as the area is covered with homes; QRN wasn't that bad, despite the storm & time of year. On the way back, I passed by (I assume) the lone tower of KCAL-1410 (N side of I-10 just E of the I-15E exit). For the only time I can recall, the car radio was swamped w/KCAL's SS signal! On another matter, for those who collect station bumper stickers decals, while I do not have any to trade, I'll send you a list (and addresses) of San Diego area stations which have stickers/decals available for a list of your locals addresses in return. All for now. Very 73.

HANK'S BEEN HAVING A FEAST

HANK HOLBROOK - 7211 Chestnut Street - Chevy Chase, Maryland - 20015 7/27/80
 It's been about 1 1/2 years since I've sent in a Musing. We can knock off the 1979 in one line - (underlined in this report have QSLed) - WAB3-780 Va.; ZNS3-810 Bahamas; CEGM-980 Que.; & WYOV-1000 Ala. We listen from two locations - (1) Chevy Chase where we use an SP-600 of 20 tubes with a 100' antenna directed East. (2) Fair Haven Cliffs, Md. where we have our cottage overlooking the Herring and Chesapeake Bays, 15 miles below Annapolis, Md. or about 30 miles SE of Chevy Chase. Here we use an HQ-129X of 11 tubes, antenna 100' South. Most of my AM DXing during the years has been on this set purchased new in 1950. Best RX I've ever had! It still perks almost like new! 1980 stations logged and reported from Chevy Chase - WAKY-790 Ky. 5:30-5:42pm on 1/12. On 3/24 CMW-600 Cuba English 5:16-5:47am thru some QRM. On 4/26 CKFH-1430 Ont. good 4:23-4:56am, 50kw, previously QSLed on 4:00k, 250w. In '52 & 4/29 WUEZ-1150 Va. good 6-6:2am, ex-WBLU. In May - WDMV-540MD. 6:57-7:3am. ex-WDMV (??-ERC) & WARC-540 Pa. 7-7:28am thru heavy WDMV QRM, both on the let. WLDW-900 Md. 6:11-6:35am local on the 2nd; WESP-1560 5th from 8:16-8:25pm; WYJZ-860 Pa. 7th 6:1E-6:33am, 1 watt; WEGM-940 6:28-7:06am 9th; WQQW-1590 Conn. 10th from 8:48-9:52pm thru heavy QRM; WDIH-1590 Pa. 5:59-6am s/on on the 11th - good for about a minute & then clobbered by other s/ons. WETQ-1320 Pa. 17th 8:35-9:10pm good; WEET-1320 Va. 8:35-9:08 on 18th, oft heard; WSWW-970 Pa. 19th 10:16-10:40 good, previously QSLed years back when 250w on 1490; WAEH-1150 Va. 6:48-7:33 am on 21st spotty thru QRM; WSEB-800 Va. 22nd from 6:15-6:50am previously QSLed in '47 when on 650 kc/s.; WNER-1350 Pa. 25th from 6:01-6:36am thru heavy QRM, 2.5 kw; WVAW-350 Va. 30th 8:19-8:30pm; and to finish out May, WBYU-1440 N.C. 31st from 6:34-7 previously QSLed 1450 kc/s in '52. Logged & reported in June from Chevy Chase - WTRK-1520 Md. 1st 7:30-8:10 good. Has this station ever QSLed anyone? They don't even return PP/c's. WKOK-1070 Pa. 5th fair, 6:34-7 previously QSLed on 1240 in '55; WINA-1070 Va. 7th 7:14-7:46am previously QSLed on 1280 in '52; WGET-1320 Pa. 8th from 7:49-8:45am thru heavy WHEEL splash - previously QSLed in '52 on 1450; WJAC-850 Pa. 9th 9:10-10pm heavy WHEEL QRM, 10kw; WFLS-1350 Va. 3:14-3:50pm good on the 14th; WSCW-1000 Ohio 24th 8:58-9pm s off & 25th 5:49-5:55am s/on, nice v/1. WGGG-1590 5:59-6:23am thru heavy WAKR QRM. Three logged this year from Fair Haven Cliffs, cottage (would be an excellent DX location but plagued past few years with powerline buzz) - WFBG-1290 Pa. 5/25 9:32:04pm (also evenings at C.C.) previously QSLed in '54 on 1340; WIEG-1520 N.J. 12:04-12:37pm - excellent days. This logging on 7/6 & then on 7/13 WREY-1440 N.J. 4:28-5:10pm This one has had splash from WNAV, is all in SS, has live NX from P.R. four times daily, only SS talk show in S. Jersey, captive audience of 50,000 & age bracket 15-49. Two other stations here QSLed on fringe of ECB - KUF-703 Washington D.C. 530 kc/s. low good here in C.C. but not noted lately. Other is regular at Fair Haven is Matapeake, Md. 1610, 10w. This one also has not been heard recently. Both carry boating tips & now in peak of season, not heard. All band QSLs at 10,955, of which 2,420 are ECB in 101 countries. Till next time, whenever that will be, good DX.

DAVE'S GOT SOME NEW ONES TO REPORT

DAVE SCHMIDT - 42 Chelwyne Road - Castle Hills - New Castle, Delaware - 19720 8/3/80
 A few things of interest have hit the wire, so we'll wire off a Muse to the Cape's "Key Man", ERCL 6/23 - WGOE-1590 1:25-1:37am from their usual fourth MM f/o-ET-or whatever, once again easy with WQIQ off AN. WPOE-1520 1:55-2:19am w/ET/oldies, way atop WKBW. WEXW-1260 10:50-11:04am w/r/r, local WNRK nullled. The P.O. returned the report, marked "unknown." Complaint form and letter returned to Trenton P.O. brought response from a P.O. clerk saying the calls were changed to WDXW. Letter didn't come back this time, but neither has the verie yet, hit On 8/2, the new WYWN-1550 was caught at 6am s/on, no SSB noted but mentioned they welcomed visitors during regular office hours, quickly gone. On 8/3, the 6 am s/on of WYIN-1550 was noted but quickly gone to WMLB with their quickie 6am s/on. Veries are at 1033, a nice v/q showed up from WGOE-1590, for one that was a holdout many years back. C.E. Jim Grainger is also CE at WKIE-1540, he signed my verie for WEET-1320 back in '65. WTHD-930 noted on new calls 8/1, now WAFI "AM 93" w/CW/mx, simulcasting with their FM. WZZD is still using those calls as of this writing, IDing only on the hour. Anyone get a WPOE verie yet? Dale Cook spoke with me a few times, mentioning the Mds he'd have WPOE on. They haven't been noted lately and no veries have been reported. Will this be the year for a WCHE MM ET? If anyone can get word on an MM WKBW will be off, it can be easily arranged. And our line noise problem has again shown its head, power company is loaded down with work due to recent severe storms that have blasted thru the area. I hope they can get it fixed by DX Season. Fear not, the axe is still sharp from the last bout with them, hi! Keep up the DDXD support! 73's.

BACK TO THE BOOKS

DAVE YOCIS - 190 East McDonel - LSU - East Lansing, Michigan - 48825 517-353-1039 8/21/80
 The above address takes effect on 9/20, this Muse from Connecticut. No DX to report until this past week, as camp job took up most of my time, with plans of erecting a Beverage scrapped, due to lack of time, interesting DX of note - R. Tropic ON 1070 @ 2:55 a.m. on 8/15 w/GMT -5 TC, then faded, who be this mystery? (Not sure, Dave, but I think he's in the Dominican Republic -ERC) CJVA-810 and WRUN-1150 apparently ANing on 8/21, aargh! Still no TA activity. Plans for the near future (like as soon as cash is available) are a frequency counter and MFJ-1020 "Active" Antenna for my DX-160. Maybe that will get me a bit more active than I have been for the last few months. 73.

SEPTEMBER MUSINGS DEADLINES: 9/8 and 9/22, then OCTOBER 6, 20, 27, and WEEKLY THEREAFTER! ONE MUSING PER ISSUE PER MEMBER, AND A THIRTY LINE LIMIT. NO VERIE SIGNERS IN MUSINGS!

HE'S OFF ON AN EASTERN TRIP

PETER A. NOLAN - Box 1524 - Eugene, Oregon - 97140
 The Eugene Thing has come and (thankfully) gone, and was a big success for those who came instead of chickening out at the last moment. Among NRCers there were myself (uh, right), GUY KUDLMAYER, GREG MONTI, GEORGE GREENE & MARK STRICKERT, the latter three from quite a distance. Also phoning in were DAVE ARBOGAST (twice), ELLIOT POLLOCK (twice), PAUL MOUNT, and Bill Wurtzel. This all the weekend of July 25-27, actually the weekend of July 23-28 judging by when the people came and left. I understand some of those callers even paid for their conversations. I will not be able to make the Los Angeles fest, as I'll be in about Montreal that weekend. I'm leaving August 9 for a 6-7 week trip across country and to the EC, where I'll be visiting graduate schools and wreaking havoc on at least half of the licensed stations in the country. I might even meet a few DXers, too. A reminder that I am an avid collector of anything (CDS, stickers, etc.) with a station's logo on it, and am always looking for new people to correspond with. As if I didn't already, I'll have a lot of new material after this trip. Lots of tapes, too, for aircheckers. Errata dep't.: Last Musing, typed late at night, I said the Beaverton, Ore. CP was granted to the holders of the Lacey, Wash. 1500 CP. Wrong. I meant Renton, Wash., 1420. Not that anyone would notice. KROW-1460, Callas, Ore., maybe KWIP by now, was finally bought by some ex-Genie Autry employees from KPCC & KEX. The station has been a standing joke for years and for the last year has been under possession of the Polk County Sheriff Dep't. for non-payment of property taxes and generally owing everyone in town money. I am looking to DX this season with re-doubled effort as it will almost certainly be my last DX season in Oregon. Format changes: KYES-950 now album rock; KBFJ-1280 going all oldies, will have only one current an hour by the time you read this. They are the old-line T-40 in Eugene, but the current crew running the station, who make the Village People look normal, have taken it right into the ground. Local KPWN-1120 is taking Larry King only, all other Mutual features stay on KATR. I said this last time, a nice program, pity they never break for local IDs, hi! That's enough for now, More in six weeks or so. 94's.

RETIRES HAVE MORE FUN!

HANK WILKINSON - 5028 Maiden Lane - Santa Rosa, California - 95405 8/21/80
 The Santa Rosa Summertime DX Experiment for New Zealand and Australian radio stations was quite successful. I have received the following veries from June & July reception reports: 1ZH, 1XI, 2ZW, 200, 5CK, 1ZE, 1YZ, 120, 2YZ, 3ZE & 2YB. I am waiting for replies on reports to the following stations: 1XP, 4AT, 2CC, F4j1-927, 2XW, 3AR, 4YC, 2YW & 4ZW. I also have reports out to "K.B.S."-756, HLCQ & "K.B.S."-1143. The month of August was not as good as June & July for TP DXing. The signals were much weaker and there was an increase in static - which is a bit unusual in this area. For those readers who don't know I wish to inform them that I am retired, therefore, I have a tremendous advantage of being able to DX when and as long as I want to. For instance, I DXed 27 mornings during the month of June; 26 mornings during July. Not many guys are able to do this so I thought that an explanation was in order. My receivers are: (#1) Hammarlund SP-500JX and (#2) Hammarlund HQ-180. The SP-500 is a much superior receiver than the HQ-180. I use a Sansarino Loop that I really treasure (thanks very much, RALPH SANSEERINO) as it has given me superb results. For those who care: I stopped using IRC's about 18 months ago. I use nothing but mint stamps for replies in all my reception reports. I find this method the way to go. Before I forget I wish to thank all those N.Z. & Australian DXers who have helped me in the past few years such as JOHN ALLCHIN, BRYAN CLARK, ART CUSHEN, RAY CRAWFORD, CHRIS MARTIN, etc. I appreciate all your help.

DX IS AS SLOW AS MUD RUNNING UP HILL

ERNEST R. COOPER - 5 Anthony Street - Springfield, Massachusetts - 02657 617-487-9337
 I think the veris count is (Sleeping time: 9pm-1am & 3-8am EST) 8/26
 now 4,177 - gotta do some re-checking and cross-checking, hi. I enjoyed very much the two conventions I got to attend - the WFDPA in Dunkirk, N.Y. (where it always rains!) and the big IRCA whopper in Louisville, hosted by Ted, Gary and Dick. The WFDPA's was all in one place - converted barn, while IRCA moved around and visited many stations and sites, and was by far the better of the two, even coming complete with a 4:45 a.m. "fire drill" in the beautiful Hyatt Regency Hotel. Bob & I have had "an addition to the family" as his brother has come to live with us. He is not well, suffering from rheumatism, back pains, as well as the more serious angina and emphysema, the latter the result of some 40 years of heavy cigarette smoking, which even in his condition now he cannot quit. What has this got to do with DX? Nothing, but the space may be considered well used if it convinces any younger member who now smokes to quit while he still can rather easily, and not let the habit get to rule his very life. Think, if you smoke three packs a day, at about \$2.25, after a year, you would have something around \$777 which would get you a mighty fine receiver! Some Summer station-riden DX: 6/11- Thanks to a phoned tip from PAUL MOUNT, a tentative logging of WIGN-1510's POP @ 12:50-1:14. Umm XEVIP-1560 s/off @ 2:06 in EE, loud, saying they're on 6am to midnight, their time. 6/13- UNID BFL mx station on 1560, announcements about every 1/4 hour, in SS I believe, very weak. MM 6/15- WHWH-1350 s/off @ 1:00 w/VSSB, after a five-hour cl mx show. WAKR was on TT today, 2:57. UNID TTer on 850 3:06-3:13. MM 6/23- WPOE-1520 on again promising to verify, as of 8/26, they haven't done so. Umm CFT-1270, P.Q. was AN today. WCYZ-1500 "inspirational". 6/24- CKRB-1460 was AN today, in FF, tele-talk, but it was a one-night stand. 6/25- UNID SS on 1425 "Canal Tropical" & "La Voz Tropical" mentioned. WFAA-570 now carries L. King. 6/26- Cn 1510, TTer 12:23-1:30am, no IDs caught, if any. 6/28- TTERS on 1570 1:08-1:12, & 1270 1:51-1:57. SM 6/29- TTer on 1370 TT on a POP-type ET 12:54-1:08am. Another try to verify WIBC-1520 on a daytime report failed, even w/a PPG. Sorry not to have been on hand for the NRC Convention in the city of Lost Angels! CUN-14.

MIKE HAS JOINED THE C.P.C.

MIKE KNITTER - 2159 Circle Drive - Cambridge, Wisconsin - 53523

Well, time to decorate these pages with a Muse from myself. First off, I received a letter from R. Moscow concerning their Cuban outlet, and according to the letter they say that the station is only on the air from 7 to 12 midnight, ELT. I've also received a letter back from N.P.R. with a list of all their member stations. Before I forget, a BIG THANKS to MARK STRICKERT for all those stickers, and to BRIAN VERNON for his letter and thoughts. Not much DXing lately, I've been going to a bunch of schools to try to learn more about all this here electronic technology stuff we use in the phone company, for DX - nothing but static and noise, no new catches. As of the 21st of July I'm still poking around with 317 stations. Oh well. Since my last Muse, some time back, I've written a letter to NEIL ZANK about the CPC program, and since then I've been typing a few letters. I've also restrung and moved my 49M and 19M antennas, but you don't want to know this just AM stuff, right? Well, time to s/off, this hot weather is getting to me, it's time for a "beer break." Bye.

MOTHBALL MEMORIES

CHAPTER XLVII - "AN ALASKAN NIGHT IN INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA" - by CHARLES TAYLOR

It was another Monday Morning, and time for another unauthorized (by my parents, I was 15 years old) session at the old Hallicrafters S-10B and preselector, and 30-foot longwire. It was 1:45 a.m., I had heard nothing new, and that was a bad omen for a night already half-spent. The night before had brought Dakar-764, for my first African. My tunings brought me to rest on 730, where something told me CKIG North Vancouver, B.C. might show itself for my first B.C. CKDM was in, as usual - pest! I waited to see if anything else was on the channel. As if on cue, CKDM began to fade out. Another station began to fade in - could it be - yes, CKIG! A positive ID and CKIG went into the log. I was going to copy CKIG for a report, but CKIG also began to fade - rats! However, what followed relegated CKIG and B.C. to forgetful oblivion. A third station, not CKDM, began to fade up. An Aussie or Zedder? Not likely. 2:00 ID time came and passed and still the station continued fading up to where copy was becoming possible. At about 2:05, bits and pieces of a weather report were snatched from my earphones and - a mention of Anchorage! No, impossible! But I dived for the preselector, tuned it soooo carefully, cranked up the gain, and was rewarded with a spot for Anchorage Trailers and Sales and some other organization that memory has trash-canned! The brain was stunned but the fingers were copying! At 2:10 came an ID: "KFQD, Anchorage." Ecstasy, panic, insanity! The KFQD began to weaken under receiving pest CKDM; nonetheless, I thought what I had was enough for a report. Slowly, laboriously, I penned a report (no typewriter at this time; this was an unauthorized DX session) to KFQD. That finished, I hit the rack. Anything else would be an anti-climax. A few fitful hours of sleep, a call from my mom, a quick breakfast, and beeline for the post office and a special delivery stamp for return postage. Now, just wait. Came Saturday, a verie, a letter from KFQD! A five-day round trip from Indianapolis to Anchorage. Ecstasy, fantasy, panic, insanity, big smile! Postscript: Two weeks later, another letter came from KFQD, this time with a QSL card. Thereafter, KFQD, which heretofore had had a reputation for being a poor verifier, reportedly turned into a good one. Did I do it? I dunno. But I had a KFQD verie!

NEXT ISSUE, ANOTHER STATION PROFILE FROM PETE KEMP. WHEN THESE HAVE ALL BEEN RUN, WE WILL LIKELY PHAZZ THIS COLUMN OUT, AND SAVE OUR MOTHBALL MEMORIES AND NOSTALGIA FOR OUR OFF SEASON SUMMER ISSUES. WE THANK EVERYONE WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THIS INTERESTING COLUMN!

ONE MUSING PER ISSUE PER MEMBER

We have additional Musings on hand for the next issue from: MARK CONNELLY, TONY FITZHERBERT, RICK KENNEDY, TERRY KLASER, and MORRIS SORESENSEN. Please remember our 30-line limit, and the one-musing-per-issue limit. It is perfectly O.K. to send in more than one Musing at a time, to save yourself postage but if you do, please number them in the order you want them run, and keep a record of what you have on hand for future DX NEWSes. Thank you!

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"Will you stop fiddling with the radio and leave it on one station."

Guindon

Via ERC
(I think)



"This has been a test of the emergency broadcast system in your area. Had this been an actual alert..."