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		DX Calendar
Mon	Feb 18	WROM-710, Rome, GA, 1000/500 w non-directional, will test 0130-0230 EST w/ tones and/or mx, plus voice IDs. If you don't hear it 2/18, try 2/25. It might be rescheduled. Address: John Steadham, CE, WROM, P.O. Box 1546, Rome, GA 30161. N. Zank, NRC
Mon	Feb 18	
Mon	Feb 25	WJWL-900, Georgetown, DE, 1000 w, D1, will test 0100-0200 EST, or possibly until 0230, w/proof of performance test using TTs w/varying freqs and modulation percentages. They will have a special "signal beacon" for DXers. Send reports to Stephen G. Wallace, CE, WJWL/WSEA, P.O. Box 111, Georgetown, DE 19947.
Wed	Mar 5	WJAZ-960, Albany, GA, 5000 w, DA beamed mainly southwest. Will test 0000-0030 ELT using 1000 Hz tone & ID every 40 seconds. Phone: (912)432-9181. Send reports to the CE's personal address: Sam Dudas, P.O. Box 772, Albany, GA 31702. Jim Wallace, IRCA.
Mon	Mar 17	KMMS-620, Sioux City, IA, 1000 w, will test 0130-0230 EST w/TT, music, voice & code IDs. Send reports to Steve Roberts, CE, KMNS, Box 177, Sioux City, IA 51102. Wayne Heinen, NRC.

<u>Central DX</u> <u>Roundup</u>. No CDXR this week, undoubtedly because Bob Lazar's mail hasn't caught up with him at his new address yet. As a reminder, Bob has resigned as CDXR editor; if you're interested in taking over the column, contactrour president, Father Jack Pejza, 212 S. Carpenter Road, Modesto, CA 95351. The main qualification is that you live somewhere in the central U.S. or Canada.

 $\overline{ ext{WGIG}}$ . The test 2/11 was definitely on, per Phil Bytheway, who called them. The test was with 1000 watts. They've been operating with this power since December, instead of 5000 watts, because the 5kw transmitter self-destructed and a new one had to be built. They should be back to full power shortly.

KASY-1220 in Auburn, WA is now 2.5 kw D3, per Jef Jaisun.

Deadlines. As a reminder, the deadline for last minute tips, test announcements, etc. is Monday. Allow at least 3 days for mail delivery from anywhere in N. America. Last minute information phoned in by 2200 PLT on Monday will normally make it into that week's DXM. My phone number is (206)522-2521. Bear in mind that about one week is needed to get DXM printed and into the hands of most members. For example, this week's issue is being put together 2/11 give it go to the printer 2/12, will be mailed 2/15 or 16, and will reach most club members 2/19 or 20 (2/18 is a postal holiday, I believe). 73 til next week......Bruce Portzer





# EASTERN DX ROUNDUP

Bob Curtis, 17 Cobbleview Dr., Colchester, VT 05446

DEADLINES: Hondays - All times are Eastern Local

Splatter:

"Two more veries needed for 100." Mike Saltmarsh - NH "...had been on since 0100." (see WSAO-1550) Paul Mount - OH

590 WOW NE, Omaha 1/29 0213 w/rock, ID as "WOW, the music station".

(PRM-OH)

910 WNHV YT, White River Jct. 1/31 1622-1624 Fair. Spot for a place
In West Lebanon, NH. Never heard here before. (MFS-NH)

1280 WGBF IN, Evansville 1/29 0057-0100 Fair to blasting at 0057-0100

at laundry and good at 0115 at home w/rock. New. (PRM-OH)

1290 WIRL IL, Peoria 1/29 0040-0043 at laundry, counts as new, as in

Nelsonville, rock mx, note null this way towards WHIO(PRM-OH)

MS, Senatobia 1/29 0230-0234 w/country then s/off w/invite to

join in morning. New, good. Per call to stn, "testing out a

new tube", had been on since 0100. Format a mix of adult contemp, country, some rlgs. No tests soon. v/s Walter Hearn.

PRM-OH)

REPORTERS THIS ISSUE PRM-OH Paul Mount, 352 West Columbus St., Nelsonville, OH 45764

GE Superadio
MPS-NH Mike Saltmarsh, 33 Fowler St., Penacook, NH 03303
MOnt'y Wards 1479A, Nat'l NC-183 + longwire

Mike Saltmarsh remarked, "Surprisingly I heard WNHV today, which is a relog. I never heard it here (Penacook); but have heard it at New London NH, about 20 mi. from here." (ed: It's heard here on the opposite side of the state with fair signal strength all day long.)

73 and good DX

Bob Curtis

# Yes, there really is a WKRP; it's a young Georgia peach

By Phil Whitesell Knight-Ridder Newspapers

ITH millions of people nationwide seeing his station's call letters every Monday night, Mitch Leopard doesn't worry too much about his promotion budget.

The CBS television network does it for him for free when it airs "WKRP in Cincinnati," on Mondays at 8 p.m.

Leopard, you see, is vice president and general manager of WKRP radio in downtown Dallas, Ga. It's a three-month-old, 1,000-watt rock and country-western station located about 35 miles northwest of Atlanta, and serves the 3,000 citizens of Dallas and another 40,000 or so in surrounding Paulding County.

And no, Leopard says before a caller can pop the question, he doesn't have anyone quite like Jennifer, the buxon receptionist played in the television program by actress Loni Anderson.

"We have three female employees, all goodlooking." Leopard said, "but they don't quite measure up to her."

Leopard may be right, figuratively speaking, but he makes no bones about why he picked the call letters that often leave business contacts and curious callers giggling.

"I had originally applied for WDLS, but an Atlanta station (with similar call letters) objected," Leopard said, "I started looking for something else that would be suitable. New stations are always trying to figure the best way to gain an audience and also get a lot of publicity.

"After a fair amount of consideration, I wondered if there was a WKRP. I looked it up and saw that there wasn't. The next thing I did was call the FCC call letter office." When federal bureaucrats told Leopard that MTM Enterprises (the producers of "WKRP in Cipcinnati") had reserved the call letters, Leopard reminded them the producers of the show weren't broadcasters and had no right to the call letters."

"I pursued it and I got it," Leopard said, and WKRP in Dallas, with a staff of five and studios in a renovated house, was on the air by Sept. 22, 1979

"On the business end of it, people will get a piece of mail from us and do double takes," Leopard said. "If we do business on the telephone, they laugh until they can compose themselves. The call letters have broken the ice many times. If you can get past the laughter, we do all right.

"But the publicity we get can't be believed. We've been interviewed by networks in Australia and Canada, the Atlanta papers and West Coast newspapers. We've been in Record World."

Though the image of the staff in "WKRP in Cincinnati" sometimes borders on the ludicrous, Leopard said the real WKRP is run by young professionals. There are no hog reports or religious shows on WKRP in Dallas, no disc jockeys like laid-back Dr. Johnny Fever and Venus Flytrap, but Leopard is trying to get actor Howard Hesseman (Fever) to come to Dallas for a promotional appearance.

The real WKRP goes off the air at dusk and its directional signal goes only about 25 miles, he said, but the notoriety has been good for busipess.

San Jose Mercury News, 1/28/80 via Robert Wien



# Nancy Hardy 2301 Pacific Avenue Aberdeen, WA 98520

950

970

KYES

KBEE

# WESTERN DX ROUNDUP

All times are Eastern Local

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Phone for hot WDXR tips: (206)532-6827 till 10:30pm(PLT)--no collect calls
DEADLINES: Thurs. 2/21, Thurs. 2/28, Thurs. 3/6, Thurs. 3/13, Thurs. 3/20
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(bp)
                   HQ-180A, 4' loop
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(RW)
                   GE long-range portable, SM-2
CA, San Diego 1/29 may have been on emergency power all day.
  600 KOGO
                   Noted extremely weak in this part of San Diego, the
                   Peñasquitos area. May have been caused by the extremely heavy rains & high winds we've been having here. Still weak here in
                   Penasquitos as of this writing. We're expecting even more
                   heavy rains & still stronger winds tonight so will watch
                   tomorrow for KOGO to maybe be completely off the air. (ASL-CA) KS, Coffeyville 1/27 0710-0715 Kansas nx, sports, wx, ID. Fair
  690
         KGGF
         mixing w/XETRA. (MEM-ID)
KFIA CA, Carmichael 2/4 0406 wx, ID, into MOR mx. QRM Fiji-711 het
                   and KMPC ET. (WJH-UT)
         (KMPC) CA, Los Angeles 1/28 0400 seems to have developed a MM SP.
         Noted off several MM's lately. (ASL-CA)
*WGBS* FL, Miami 2/4 0410 booming in w/ID. On ET. KFIA, Fiji, KMPC
                   ORM. New, state #35. (WJH-UT)
NE, Grand Island 2/3 0807 fair, alone w/talk about Nebraska, health care increases. KCBS off as usual to 0900. (RW-CA)
          KMMJ
  750
  780 *KCRL* NV, Reno 2/4 0404 brief TT, male annor. w/"This is KCRL Reno,
                   conducting proof of performance measurements" at 0405, more TT. CA, Eureka 2/1 1918 spot for Toyota, followed by ID (JKL)
   790
          KEKA
                    "This is your place to be for music. KEKA Eureka." Female DJ.
I'm confused. Is this a daytimer like predecessor KDAN, or
                   fulltime? Signal replaced by usually dominant KABC by 1921. (RtH-CA) (KEKA is D-1, 5000 watts.--NH)

ID. Boise 2/3 0800 good at s/on, topping KGHL w/mentions of ownership by New Life Broadcasting, "broadcasting for the Treasure Valley." Straight into hymns. New. (RW-CA)
          KSPD
                    HI, Honolulu 1/24 0504 fair u/WWL w/s/off. Not all that
   870
          KAIM
                    common. (RW-CA)
                    AZ, Flagstaff 2/1 2013 good signal o/KHJ w/wx & road cx rpt.
   930
          KAFF
                    AZ, Flagstair 2/1 2013 good signal of hid w/wx & road cx before we sign off here at KAFF." Unn, but not hrd in several yrs.(xtH) MT, Missoula 1/24 0833-0839 weak but readable u/KSEI w/Ai nx, into Paul Harvey, PSA, then farm nx. Sure sounded like 200 watts! New. (RW-CA) AZ, Tucson 1/28 0440 no ID, but hrd talk of a job placement center w/nhone no. of 882-5530. A check w/MaRell revealed tha
          KYSS
           KMGX<sup>t</sup>
   940
                    center w/phone no. of 882-5530. A check w/MaBell revealed that
                    the no. 882-5530 is located in Tucson & is that of an
         employment agency. Most likely KMGX. Not new, so not logged. (KFRE) CA, Fresno 1/28 0308 totally off. KIOA & CJIB (ASL)
                    alone. (RW-CA)
                    OR, Roseburg 2/1 s/off 2042 w/xmtr & studio location. S/off
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song a la Sons of the Pioneers style followed. Good signal w/ XEGM still off. Unn, but not hrd in some time. (RtH-CA) CA, Modesto now announcing "Beautiful mx, KBEE." (RtH-CA)

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KBEE +1/27 0508 now AN, unsure of exact hours. ID "You'll enjoy the
                    music, here at the all-new AM-97." Just barely of the mess, so no problem, KYTE still kills them. (RW-CA)

CA, Vista 1/23 1900 "This is KMLO" into nx. Dominate on SE
1000
          KMLO
                     Beverage (MEM-ID)
                    CA, San Francisco format has changed from pop to OLD. (RtH-CA) LA, New Orleans 1/28 0640-0645 DJ sports splatter, ID into mx. CFCW nulled on NW Beverage; WNOE dominate. (MEM-ID)
1010
          KIQI
          WNOE
1060
                    LA, Shreveport 1/28 0400-0405 YL w/nx, sports & wx, and ID into mx. CKWX faded out for once in a bleem, hi. (MEM-ID) CA, Santa Rosa format has changed from MOR (BBD) to CWM.
1130
          KWKH
1150
          KPLS
                     Obviously, a fulltimer trying to put daytimer KVRE out of business. (RtH-CA)
        *KSAL* KS, Salina 2/4 0123-0125 on per reply from CE. Informed bp of this, but perhaps a bit too late for other members. Solid TT to 0125, ID, TT. Very weak u/KIIS et al. (RW-CA)

KNCO CA, Grass Valley 1/24 1002 finally after 9 months of trying!

Way down in the mess u/KHOT/KTMS/KWSU/KNEU w/ID "Good morning, way down in the mess u/KHOT/KTMS/KWSU/KNEU w/ID "Good morning."
1250 KNCO
                     nx of the valley, the state, the nation, on KNCO, Grass Valley quickly gone. Puts no power in this direction whatsoever.(RW)
1260 *KYA*
                     UT, Salt Lake City still all news Mon.-Fri., but now MOR w/regular nx blocks on weekends. Still off MM. (WJH-UT)
 1280
          KWMS
                     WA, Port Angeles 1/31 1057 atop w/ad & wx, using NW Bev. (MEM) CA, Arcata 1/30 0342 ID by YL was clearly KATA or KAPA. Presume closer KATA. Does KAPA ever make it to Calif.? (HC-CA) (KAPA is usually off by this hour.--NH)
 1290
           KAPY
           KATAt
 1340
                     CA, Santa Barbara 1/30 0347 hrd ID twice, ads, mx. (HC-CA) NV, Las Vegas 1/30 0354 hrd "kay-ram" above the GY glop. That
           KIST
           KRAM
                      their slogan? (HC-CA) (Believe it is!--NH)
                      OR, Corvallis 1/31 1049 fish & game report, ID, into school lunch menus. Atop. (MEM-ID)
           KL00
                      WA, Raymond-So. Bend 1/31 1100-1110 "This is kap-pa radio KAPA
           KAPA
                      South Bend" into local nx, mx. Atop for 10 min. (MEM-ID)
                      OR, Hermiston 1/31 0159 call letters & wx, quickly faded u/
 1360
           KOHU
                      KFIV & KMO. (HC-CA)
                      CA, Marysville 2/4 0445 1st time noted on a MM. NSP now?(RW-CA)
 1410
           KMYC
                      On, Greeley 1/28 1850 wx then faded fast. (MEM-ID)
MT, Whitefish 1/28 1932 wx, into mx. Per call s/on 0800, s/off
0200 (EST). AOR or contemporary. May get CPC test in Feb.
1/29 1930-1950 dominate. ID's as "1450-KTXX" & SID "KTXX,
           KYOU
 1450
            KTXX
                      Whitefish--Columbia Falls." Ai nx. (MEM-ID)
                      WA, Port Angeles 1/31 & 2/1 s/off noted both days. (MEM-ID)
WA, Vancouver 1/31 0320-0340 same format, 24 hr NSP. Per call,
DJ said they had been using new call for 3 weeks. (MEM-ID)
            KONP
  1480
            KARO
                      UT, Ogden 2/4 0330-0458 much-wanted, finally hrd u/CJPR/KRNR w/rock mx & Acn features. "15-KJQN" ID at 0457. (bp-WA)
  1490
            KJQN
                      CA, Aptos-Capitola 2/1 1935 usual good daytime signal. PSA, ID "we're KMFO, Radio 1540." (RW-CA)

IA, Iowa City 1/28 0500-0505 ID into nx which ended w/SID.
  1540
            KMFO
  1560
            KCJJ
                       Mistook this before for KKAA. (MEM-ID)
  DX TESTS:
    850 (KGOE) CA, Thousand Oaks 2/4 0300-0400 nobody there but KOA. It was
                       fun hearing DX ers call in on their talk show. (HC-CA)
                     +2/4 0310, 0335, 0415, 0438, 0457 not noted at any of these checks, so not on. Unneeded anyway. (RW-CA)
                     +Fat chance! Nothing but KTAC/KOA. (bp-WA)
           KUEN WA, Wenatchee 1/28 noted at 0330 & still there later. (MEM) +1/28 0304-0308 start of test at 0304 w/ID, straight into TT,
    900
                       ID 0305, TT, ID 0306, TT till 0308 then suddenly off. Did not reappear unless there was OC for next 22 min.! Weak u/CJVI/XEW
           (KUEN) 1/28 0300-0330 not hrd, but not expected w/only 1kw and
                       a strong XEW. (ASL-CA)
UT, Vernal 1/28 0720 after nx "This is KVEL Vernal, UT. This
    920 KVEL
                       is not regular programming. This is a special DX test."
Dominating freq but taking beating from KSEI-930 slop.(MEM-ID)
            (KVEL) 1/28 0715 not noted, probably not on. Also not on at 0745
                        recheck. This I needed, not KUEN. (RW-CA) (Was on! -- NH)
   1st MM: KQIK-1230 OR 0300-0315 (RW-CA)
   Have two unID's, but will hold them for next week. ♡
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# Worldwide

### Elliot Straus Editor

# All times UTC Deadline Tuesdays

Box 168 - RedBank, NJ 07701 - 201-736-1681,M-F 18-2200, Wed 10-2200 ELT

### (All from Mark Connelly) TRANS-ATLANTIC DX ROUNDUP

- IRELAND Tullamore 0018 Jan 23, fair w/OM in EE. 567
- 576
- UNID 0019 Jan 23, singing in noise, 575 het present. PORTUGAL Norte 2213 Jan 22, good w/soft mx., then OM in PP. 719
- 738 t
- SPAIN 2250 Jan 22, poor w/avant-garde discordant cl. mx.
  UNID 0025 Jan 23, strong carrier w/lkhz. TT.
  W.GERMANY/PORTUGAL
  W/Lisboa w/cl. mx.
  PORTUGAL Lisboa 2231 Jan 26, loud & dominant w/cl. mx. 747 756
- 756 SENEGAL Dakar 2157 Jan 21, in w/huge signal on car rx.; demolishing 765
- WABC: OM in AA.
  SPAIN Cacares 2200 Jan 22, potent w/OM in SS, 3 sec. of mx., time 774
- pips, then nx. Also 2232 Jan 26, w/SS talk garbled by a fast multiple-stn. SAH.
- PORTUGAL Miramar/Porto 2233 Jan 26, poor w/muffled audio- PP talk, 782
- weaker than 783.

  E. GERMANY Burg 0028 Jan 23, dominant w/cl. mx. at low audio level, atop 782 Portugal het. 783
- MOROCCO Rabat 0100 Jan 23, poor w/OM AA moaning. This stn. doesn't seem to pack the signal that it had a few years ago. 819
- 882
- seem to pack the signal that it had a lew years ago.

  t ENGLAND 2240 Jan 26, strong carrier but too much WCBS slop for good copy of audio; light string mx. seemingly // 909.

  ENGLAND 0119 Jan 23, fair thru WRNL slop w/YL soprano operatic yocal. Also 2240 Jan 26, to strong peaks w/background mx., type 909
- group version of old Petula Clark song.
  FRANCE 2247 Jan 26, Toulouse the likely source of cl. mx. poorfair o/u TV QRM. 945 t
- PORTUGAL 2354 Jan 26, fair w/disco, o/SAH. 1035
- E.GERMANY/MOROCCO Burg & Sebaa-Aloun at even strength, slow SAH resulting @ 2359 Jan 22. Noted again, this time w/SAH evidence 1044 of a third stn. @ 2351 Jan 26.

  ENGLAND Start Point 2354 Jan 22, fair w/rr mx.

  PORTUGAL Azurara-Norte 0001 Jan 23, in w/cl. mx. at low audio
- 1053
- 1061
- level on fair strength carrier.

  ENGLAND Orfordness 2356 Jan 22, in w/strong carrier, mx. //1053, 
  Chopped up by WBAL slop. Sometimes BBC-1089 is hetted by something 
  on 1088 around 2200 GMT, but no audio of any significance has 1089 been pulled up on the 1088 stn.

  FRANCE Bordeaux 2207 Jan 22, good w/OM in FF, GRMing WCAU on car rx. in Boston.
- 1206
- 1233 t MOROCCO Tangier likely w/apparent OM AA chant, heavy SAH (prob. from the Czech.), badly slopped by WESX @ 0006 Jan 23.

  1287 CZECHOSLOVAKIA Praha-Melnik 0008 Jan 23, potent S9+20db. w/cl. mx.

  Stronger than 1422/1593 Germans.

- Stronger than 1422/1593 Germans.

  1395 t ALBANIA Lushnje the probable source of a powerful OC here. & 2313 Jan 26.

  1521 SAUDI ARABIA/CZECH. 0015 Jan 23, bits of chanting mixing w/inst. mx., trashed by WKBW. The het on WKBW was quite obvious even on the clock radio in the bedroom.

  1554 UNID 2308 Jan 26, carrier, bits of exotic mx. 1557 was in as a het on WkXR at the time.

  1566 TUNISIA Sfax 2306 Jan 26, strong w/AA violin mx. but suffering deep fades which were rapid.

- deep fades which were rapid. W. GERMANY Langenberg 2259 Jan 26, fair/very fadey w/light mx., GG

1593 talk. Oddly, it peaked best w/loop pointed due north.

# PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- ECUADOR Guayaquil HCFA2 0800 Jan 22, faded up to magnificent full ID (R.Tropicana) by YL. OM talk, then fade. (Hall-Patch, B.C.) COLOMBIA Bogota HJKA 0759 Jan 22, pulled Emissora de RCN, Radio 540
- 540 de Colombia out of crud, just before above took over. (Hall-Patch) JAMAICA Montego Bay 0700 Jan 22, 'JBC Radio One' ID followed by
- 700 Nx. Ended w/American sounding commercial about 'JBC News'. Dominant on channel but w/fades. // 750 & stronger. Country #38. (Hall-Patch, B.C.)

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- 720 UNID 1118-30 Jan 28, SS in WGN null on MM., not much mx, had YL ancr, did not sound Cuban. CA suspected. (G.Martin-Co.)
- ECUADOR Quito R.Melodia 0343 Dec 29, lite mx. SS talk & R.Melodia 735
- JAMAICA Port Maria 0648 Jan 22, huge @ 750.140 (5hz. error), WSB only a het. Cricket broadcast, ment. of W.Indies. Faded @ 0700 of course, but picked up wx/mx in // 700 from 0705 on. (Hall-Patch, B.C.) 750
- COSTA RICA San Jose TIW R. Uno 0648 Jan 25, in unusually well w/ 775 rr mx. (Portzer-Wa.)
- 780 CUBA Camaguey CMJW 1001-05 Jan 22, beating up KCRL w/good signal, better than WBBM has ever been. (McMillan-Id.)
- MEXICO (unid) 1210 Jan 28, obvious Mexican in WBBM null, 'la musica ranchera'. Misplaced the Mexi-Glenn list so don't know who 780 it might be. (G.Martin-Co.)
- UNID 0938 Jan 23, strong het to good carrier, but no audio. Ecuador? (McMillan-Id.) 785
- COLOMBIA Bogota HJCY 0950-1000 Jan 22, R.Sutatenza ID, almost over 810 KGO. (McMillan-Id.)
- DOM. REP. Santo Domingo HIJB 0600 Jan 22, SS stn. noted trading 830 places w/WCCO. Mixture of Latin & US pops & ads. Finally ID'ed @ 0622 w/'HIJB' jingle & Santo Dom. ment., by now way o/WCCO. Nice
- surprise; country #37. (Hall-Patch, B.C.)

  <u>BELIZE</u> RB 0430-0510 Jan 23, arm-chair copy w/EZL mx., NX on hr. 834 s/off @ 0510 after NA. (Harms-Ut.)
- COLOMBIA Santa Maria HJBI 0500 Jan 26, to 0505 s/off. long ment. 840 of stn. w/Colombia ment. into NA. pegging s-meter, then carrier only. (McMillan-Id.)
- PERU Lime OAX4A 0315 Jan 24, R. Necional ID. lots of audio thru 8 54
- KOA. (McMillan-Id.) COLOMBIA Bogota HJCE 0935 Jan 22, 'LV de Bogota! ID, strong as WLS. 890
- (McMillan-Id.) 975
- 995
- 1025
- 1035
- 1075
- (McMillan-Id.)
  UNID 0506 Jan 23, strong signal w/SS mx. Ecuador? (McMillan-Id.)
  ECUADOR Guayquil 0435 Jan 23, LA mx & SS talk. R.Suceso ID.
  HCE's also hrd on 975, 1005, 1015, & 1025. (McMillan-Id.)
  COSTA RICA R.Fidos 1200 Jan 28, alone & weak. (G.Martin-Co.)
  UNID 1151 Jan 28, surely that is too late for Haiti, anyway looped
  westward from Haiti, and faded by 1200. (G.Martin-Co.)
  COSTA RICA San Jose'TIFC 0250 Jan 23, //5055. Mx., SS talk, fairgood. some KRLD slop. (Harms-Ut.)
  COLOMBIA Barranquilla R.Aeropuerto ID noted @ 0217 Jan 23, listing
  of this one on 1580 in 12/8 DXWW is apparently a typo. (Stanbury) 1160 of this one on 1580 in 12/8 DXWW is apparently a typo. (Stanbury)
- CUBA Cadena Habana 1st positive ID noted @ 0405 Jan 26, again @0429 1160
- Jan 27, Is presumably the 10kw. xmtr formerly on 790. (Stanbury) CAYMAN ISLDS Georgetown 0635 Jan 25, assumed the strong OC, loop-1205
- ing Caribbean. (Portzer-Wa.) BELIZE RB (2nd Harmonic-ed.) 0205-0230 also 0405 Jan 23, //834. 1668 Also 0425 Jan 24. (Stanbury-Ont.)

### TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 639 UNID 1445 Jan 24, het in KFI null. too late for Fiji. (Portzer-Wa.) NEW ZEALAND Wellington 2YC 0952 Jan 25 w/cl. mx. //882. (Martin-Ore, 657 +0900 Jan 28, carrier quite weak & no audio. My notebook tells me I checked for NZ on 21 mornings in Jan., occasionally found carriers but no audio. Was much better in Jan-79 when I could hear 882 & 756 slmost every AM. Was actually getting bored w/them. Terrible CX for DU's this Jan. (G.Martin-Co.)
- 660 ALASKA Fairbanks KFAR 0730 Jan 21, fair w/rr mx. Some QRM from Latin. (P.Martin-Ore.)
- +0641 Jan 24, in well w/rr mx., w/some KBOI slop. (Portzer-Wa.)
  ALASKA Anchorage KBYR 0749 Jan 21, in good w/tele-talk show. 700 Heard spot for business on Northern Lights Blvd. (P.Martin-Ore.)
- AUSTRALIA Sydney 2BL 0915 Jan 25, fair w/EZL mx. & anncts. 702 Sounded like other stn. under them, but too weak to tell for sure.
- (P.Martin-Ore.)
  UNID 1049 Jan 28, DU carreir here. Think it might be my 1st Aussie signal of the forthcoming DU season. Would have been Grafton then which seems to have the best Aussie signal in my diggings. 738 (G.Martin-Co.)

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747
                    AUSTRALIA Toowoomba 4QS 1000 Jan 25, hrd w/ABC nx. (P.Martin)
                    ALASKA Anchorage KraD 0720 Jan 21, talk show where Chamblin.
Herb has been w/stn. since early 60's, tho he was mainly a DJ
750
                    when I was there. (P.Martin-Ore.)
                    0634 Jan 24, blasting in w/rr oldies. (Portzer-Wa.)

NEW ZEALAND Auckland 1YA 0857 Jan 23, fair w/ancts. on upcoming pgms. just before nx @ 0857. (P.Martin-Ore.)

NEW ZEALAND Hastings 27K 0912 Jan 23, also fair w/cl. mx. Haven the condition of 
                 +0634 Jan 24, blasting in w/rr oldies.
756
765
                    heard 2ZK for some time, quite a surprise. (P.Martin-Ore.)
AUSTRALIA Melbourne 3LO 1102 Jan 25, W/ABC nx. about equal W/747.
774
                    (P.Martin-Ore.)
                   (P.Martin-Ore.)

NEW ZEALAND Rororus 1YZ 1009 Jan 23, w/EZL mx., ancts. (P.Martin)

NEW ZEALAND Whangarei/Kaitiana 1YX/1YK 0835 Jan 22, presume both

as thry are // on 837 w/EZL mx. & ancts. Almost equal w/1ZD-1008

which was interesting as 837 runs only 2 kw. (P.Martin-Ore.)

NEW ZEALAND Invercargill 4ZA 0838 Jan 22, // to 837-1008 w/Tonite

Show, Wayne Mount was on phone, into rr mx. (P.Martin-Ore.)

AUSTRALIA Sydney 2GB 0958 Jan 26, w/racing results. (Martin-Ore.)

NEW ZEALAND/AUSTRALIA 1YA/4BH 1107 Jan 23, both fighting it out

for freq. (Martin-Ore.)
819
837
864
873
882
891
                    FIJI Lautoka-FijiII 0700 Jan 22, in w/EE programming. When into
                    Hindi @ 0800. Apparently they dropped their EE pgm. after 0800.
                    They were EE from 07-0900 daily. Haven't been able to catch any
                 EE on Fiji I freq., like 1206, only Fijian. (P.Martin-Ore.)
+ 0958 Jan 26, Hindi vocals, quite weak. (Williams-Ore.)
FIJI Sigatoka Fiji I 0731 Jan 28, in Fiji w/old US MoR, w/YL ancr.
927
                    (P.martin-Ore.)
                   SOLOMON ISLDS Gizo 0933 Jan 27, mxing w/4MK/3DB w/old US c&w. Lang. sounded like native tongue rather than EE. (P.Martin-Ore.)
HAWAII Honolulu KHVH 0659 Jan 28, atop freq. w/all nx format, ads.
945
990
                    into net nx @ 0700. (P.Martin-Ore.)
                    TONGA Nuku Alofa 0640 Jan 22, in Tonganese. (Martin-Ore.)
1017
                    NEW ZEALAND Wellington 22B 1100 Jan 27, //1008 & 1026 w/Tonite
1035
                   Show. (P.Mertin-Ore.)

NEW ZEW LAND Dunedin 4ZB 1105 Jan 27, // 1026,1035,1008 w/Tonite Show. (P.Mertin-Ore.)

FIJI Bakiraki Fiji I 0733 Jan 28, //927. Hear het there every
1044
1323
                    night, but can only get listenable signal about once a week.
                    (P.Martin-Ore.)
1404** W.SOMOA Apia 0747-0803 Jan 28, finally hrd in Somoan w/YL ancr.
                    Caught commercial type anct @ 0753 w/several ments. of Apia, &
                    Samoa. No direct ID at top of hour. Taped, and reported. Was strongest 0750-56, faded by 0803, but hard to tell snything.
                     (P.Martin-Ore.)
                    USSR Vladivostok 1536 Jan 20, YL in CC. lots of slop. (Williams-Or)
1476
                    AUSTRALIA Emerald 4QD 1132 Jan 23, hrd w/cl. mx. (P.Martin-Ore.)
1548
                    S.KOREA Cheju HLDA 1342-58 Jan 24, good signal w/JJ talk & relig.
1566
                    mx. (Herms-Ut.)
                    THAILAND VOA 1555 Jan 20, EE nx or Commentary bgm. fair signal. Frequency ancts. for SE Asia. (WIllams-Ore.)
NEW ZEALAND Manakua 1149 Jan 22, hrd w/phone show 'R.Pacific' ID.
1575
 1593
                     (P.Martin-Ore.)
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Washington DC 20008 (202) 966 8046 Jan BILL TOWNSHEND 4500 Connecticut Av NW #901 Jan 25 In my last Forum, I said that DX was rolling in--famous last words, hi. Since then, only seven newies have landed in my log over 18 days, despite almost daily SSS sessions and a couple of MM sessions, five domestic and two foreign. One was HJAC-1400 Barranquilla Colombia on a GY channel (I've heard enough HJs to recognize some Columbian mx, especially with the accordion playing; I guess I was lucky when this momentarily popped to the top of the GY heap); the other was the Guatemalan radio beacon RAB-1613 Rabinal. In a couple of day I'll be off to FL and the Bahamas although I'll be back home before this hits the DXM. I'll take the TRF along (ready for a barrage of LA's, hi) for a few midday DX sessions, especially in the Bahamas, and with luck, I might bag a TA catch or to at night, using a coconut palm tree aerial like I did in the South Pacific. It's defination of the contraction of the Pacific in the South Pacific ite now that WEAM-1390 has SP each MM, with the wee hours DJ, the YL known as "Toni the Night Owl" observing her Sabbath that night. I guess this is SOP(Standard Operating Procedure) before s/on. (I might be wrong on some detail, but I studied enough radio to know s. of XR opns): filament voltage goes on first, then grid voltage, and finally plate voltage, with the final PA stages and tank ckt last(the last button pushed being the red "Radiate" button). When on PSA power, all stages are actuated except the final PA stage (also when on Fight pwr). When securing the xr after s/off, "radiate" is off first, then plate, then grid, then finally filament voltage with the high voltage capa-

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then grid, then finally filament voltage with the high voltage capacitors grounded before any preventive &/or curative maintenance is done. When an OC is heard, that means the final PA stage plate voltage is on, and the tank circuit is in the radiate mode. 1.5369\*\*\*\*\*C (coupled exponential) which is 73 and good DX de WPT.

Greetings, and welcome to our new editor, and "farewell" to the former one. I recall meeting both Paul and John at the NRC Convention here in Atlanta in '78; how can I forget those anguished cries over the phone from a stranded John Zondlo at the airport? Good luck to him in his new endeavor in OK, and hope he continues in the club. January has been, as that month traditionally is, a good month DXwise. Lots of veries in--12 to be exact, and the month's not over! Here they are, w/v/s on their way to Susan S: WEBQ-1240 (v/l in 7 days), WPFA-790 (v/l in 5), WDIA-1070 (form in 19), WROZ-1240(not 1400?-PRM)(v/l in 13), WUST-1120 (form in 14), KIRT-1580 (v/l in 11), WKBC-810 (v/pp in 5 on 2nd rpt;lst rpt unanswered over several years w/many f/ups.), WJES-1190 (v/l in 30 w/flyer abt freq change), WKKS-1570 (v/l in 13), WJBS-1190 (v/l in 30 w/flyer abt freq change), WKKS-1570 (v/l in 13), WJBS-1190 (v/l in 6), WBRG-1050 (v/l in 7), and finally, the lst verie of the 80's for me, WMMH-1460, a v/l in 5 days. Many rpts out during Jan. as well, so I hope I can keep the momentum going. Those 12 veries make total 912. Picked up a copy of the new Communications World today, and I was pleased to see some improvement in White's Hadio Log; looks like it's been redone completely and is a lot more accurate. I use it mainly for FM info heard during AM s/on & s/offs, but the city listings of AM stns come in handy. Perhaps I should close w/a re-intro for those who dont know me. I'm 26, married since May '79 to lovely Linda, and a draftsman/designer at Kawneer Architechtural Products in nearby Jonesboro GA. his new endeavor in OK, and hope he continues in the club. January has man/designer at Kawneer Architechtural Products in nearby Jonesboro GA.

I've been DXing since 1969 roughly; began seriously around '72 (keeping logs, etc.) I joined N=C in 1973 and IRCA in 1977. My heard totals are 1370, mostly domestic. My veries date to 1969, w/my lst one being WCFL
1000. I use a HQ-150 unmodified and a self-made 4 NRC altaz loop W/ a Steve Bohac amp. Other equip includes a TRF, busted SM-2 and assorted taping equipment. Also have a MFJ SBF-2 SSB filter that is always used. Running over, me thinks, so 73's for now.

All Eastern U.S. members plus Canada, etc. are invited to send in a re-introduction for the Anniversary Issue dated March 15. Have your Forum in by March 3 and specify it's for the Anniv. Issue if you would. Deadlines here in Nelsonville look to be Tuesdays, 12 days shead. \*PRM.

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I was very interested in Foxworth's comments about Falkland Islands reception on 2370 & 536 kHz (1/26 DXM). Certainly, as he suggests, one would expect some correlation between propagation on the two frequencies. However I've heard 2370 when geomagnetic cx were NOT disturbed -- eg 12/19 11/22 & 23(dates are EST). Further there doesn't seem to be any correlation between reception on 2370 and that of the alleged Argentina Antarctic station on 49M. All of which has raised a good many unanswered questions about propagation from the Antarctic region and indeed it might be worthwhile to watch for Falklands on 536 as well as the McMurdo beacon (MC) listed on 518 kHz. Unfortunately, since its power boost, Falklands has apparently not verified for any NA DXer. Meanwhile ref. JZ's suggestion (1/5 EDXF) that ECB pirates could someday QRM 160M hams, it seems to me that pirates could generate interest in the new ECB freqs and create an audience even before licensed stations get on the air.

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It was interesting to read the sequel to "The Perils of Pauline" in the 1/26/80 DX Monitor. We could call it, "The Pinings of Paul", hi! Seriously, the section looked fine after Paul's first column, and lots of luck iously, the section looked fine after Paul's first column, and lots or luck with it, oh tall one! If any of you should feel like calling me, please bear in mind my sleeping hours are 9p to la (roughly), then I get back up and DX till about 3 am, then back to bed, so please don't call between 9 and 1; between 1 and 3a is fine, particularly if you have a good DX tip to pass along. Oh yes--not on Friday mornings, 'cuz Thursday night is my "night out". I have a big mystery station, on MM 1/14, from 4 to 5 am on 1500 kc/s., who was playing c/w album sides, with one break by a F ancr at 4:32a? The ID came during a badly distorted fade, as luck would have it. WTOP & WCZY were off. Verie count here is 4132, with my first verie dated 12/28/32. It came from WFIW-900 in Hopkinsville. KY which has evoldated 12/28/32. It came from WFIW-9h0 in Hopkinsville, KY which has evolved into today's WAVE-970, Louisville, a station I heard only recently, on Thursday AM 1/10 at 2:30 am. I applaud Paul's statement in an NRC musing that he welcomes Forum reports from dual members, as long as they aren't carbon copies of that member's musing. I agree 100% w/Bill Wurtzel's limerick in his 1/26 Forum. In some South American cities like Bogota, locals are now separated by just three frequencies -- if the 9 kc/s separation comes into use in the Western Hemisphere, that distance between locals will only be 27 kilocycles! Stations in San Jose, Costa Rica are only 25 kc/s apart now--how will they fit them into this plan? Chaos is on the horizon! To close, these pearls of wisdom:

There was a poet, Pete Wirtle Whose brain indeed was quite fertile Once I said to him, "Peter, You must indeed watch your meter,

And good old faithful WTOP!

Because sometimes you weigh down your last lines with so many syllables they could break the back of a large-sized snapping turtle!" --Yerks.

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Thank you Niel Wolfish for your letters. I wrote back, but it took a month. Only the usual DX is coming in lately. A battle w/our landlord over building problems is consuming a lot of my time. There's a new stn operating and reaching the whole country. The call letters-WSBD--Women Should Be Drafted. If the draft comesback, many club members may be getting new addresses. When the mails are slow, remember, it was well planned/the Post Office must be undermanned. WCBF-Wurtzel Can Be Funny. (When do you start(WDYS)-PRM). With a lot of medicore music filling the airwaves we wonder What Happened to Radio-WHTR. (WHTR Nelsonville? see #6 EDXR-PRM) It's getting late. Hi there folks, I'm your DJDirty Dave DXing at sunset I heard WDRC Playing hit records for you on KAVE Then its Connecticut neighbor WPOP You won't hear disco All the regulars WERE there Including WARE

Or music that's slow 'Cause I only play lots of New Wave! "Rush Hour DXing" - Like many others, I frequently find myself mired in nearly-stopped traffic trying to get home at the end of the work day. Some stuck in traffic lean on their horns and make obscene gestures at other motorists, but, to paraphrase a bumper sticker, "I'd rather be DXing". The focus of this drivetime DX turns to TA's during the late autumn and winter when sunset coincides with the homeward commute. As I leave Teradyne in Boston (around 5 p EST) and head north on Route 93, I first check 'old-reliable' Senegal-765. Usually it's there, doing a number on WABC. Furthermore, Spain-774 usually joins in to hammer WABC from the other side. We are talking about WABC groundwave here; under halfway-reasonable cx, WABC skip won't be loud until a half-hour of good sunset TADX has elapsed. Fortuguese stations on 719, 756, & 1061 usually dominate w/just slight hets from weaker adjacent domestics. France-1206, Mauritania-1349, Albania-1395 W. Germany-1422, Monaco 1467, & Saudi Arabia-1521 are usually in with strong hets, sometimes with perfect audio. My drive takes me on the elevated Central Artery in Boston: this provides a commanding view of the harbour and equally commanding TA reception. Skyscraper blockage to the west helps by causing some attenuation of domestic pests. I hear TA stations on the car rx there that I can't hear on the R390A at home. BBC-909 often puts a mean het on WABI; audio surfaces occasionally. Land blockage takes a heavy toll on the TA's on route 93 from Medford northward; often, only 765 still provides clear audio inland. Dakar peaks up on the section of I-93 overlooking Spot Pond in Stoneham. Route 93 meets Route 128 in Reading; I go west on 128 from there, then northward on Route 3A to Eillerica. In Eillerica, north of 128 (the "electronics belt highway"), the path to Senegal goes over eastward-projecting Cape Ann while farther-north TA routes go out to see over Tpswitch/Plum Island, considerably closer. Therefore, while Senegal-765 is regularly better than Spain-774 in the Stoneham

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A nice turnout for column four. This typer didn't look as bad as I feared 1/26, which I'm glad of, as this is my own typer, a Royal portable from the 60's. Mark's Driving DXing was interesting to read of; Mark, is your car rx modified in any way? I know car rxs tend to be good to overcome excess noise problems, but pulling 909 audio past 910 seems too good to be true. I wind up not going to bed until about 2 am every night regardless of what time my first class is; I think this lifestyle comes somewhat from being a DXer, as I'd stay up past midnight in the summer to DX or just listen to WKEW as I did a survey or something in my high school years; once I was a DXer I became a night person. So my SRS catches come only when I stay up the whole night. Recently I've been bringing the GE Superadio out here to the kitchen to tune around as I read homework or type, and add to my IRCA contest totals. Turnout is nothing like entries of old--see IRCA history below. I usually turn the knob while driving around sunset time, too, and count anything heard in Nelsonville w/an asterisk in thelogbook. Now to give way to myself. Deadline Tuesdays. 73-PRM'N'

Announcement that NRC Log #2 costs \$1.22 third class...Ray Arruda, just out of army, given suggestion to listen to "former IRCA member Geoff Fox"on WSAR...56 entrants in DX contests including Cliff Reno of New Cenaan CT(now of KNIX "fame")...One contest had teams of DXers w/1000 mile separation... PFC Bill Hardy reporting from Panama...Consistent ECDXR reporters:Ken Lyon-Clarence Center NY, Bill Peek-Roanoke, Richard Ryholm-Marietta OH, Frank Waldron-Matawan NJ, Bradford Wall-Newport RI...Ron Schatz in Guam...DXWW divided into East, MidWest, West reporting sections...Tim Davisson says he got weekend job at WCUE(later to work Q105 Tampa, WwWE, WDBN)...WCDXR reporters: Dan Adams-San Jose CA, Gary DeBock-Puyallup WA, Mike "Doc" Hardester-Modesto CA, Pat Martin-Warrenton OR(last 2 still heard of today), Kevin Slater-Salem OR...These taken from bulletins bought at Peoria Convention, I now have most of the 70's bulletins of IRCA in my collection.-Paul Mount.

# western **DX** forum



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# 1980 Deadlines

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520 stations and from 27 July 1979 to 29 January 1980 in seven months I got 305 new stations. So far 39 stations in 1980. Niel Wolfish must have got my GY records late because on 1230 I have some that are farther than

reported, but not the latest: KRQR, KWG, KVAS, KHSN, KOQS, poss tie on KYJC and KREW. Well, best DX, weather, twx. 73 from the land of ice and snow, W. Idaho. It's currently -2°F. 73 de MEM.

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have since disappeared, by the way) and was solemnly informed that (a) it was physically impossible for that to happen; (b) they were aware of the problem, but it was just due to the weather and there was nothing they could do about it; and (c) they expected to have it cleared up in a few hours. Anent NHP's remarks in the 19 January WDXF: CKDA 1220 is certainly one of the worst splat merchants around here. Even out in Coquitlam they give me as much trouble as most of the 50 kw Vancouver stations. And yes, CJVB 1470 does put out an exceptionally clean signal, but there's a reasonathey're operating without limiters until the final field readings and pattern proofs for the new 50 kw XR are done some time this spring. To keep it legal in the meantime they are holding the modulation way down, but will increase to normal modulation levels as soon as the limiters are installed. So anyone in this area looking for DX in the vicinity of 1470 might do well to get busy within the next month or two. Thanks to Station Manager Rudy Hartmann for the info and 73 de UGH.

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DX seems to have picked up here on the coast. Tonga 1017 was S/7 a few nights ago. In fact, Tonga was stronger than I believe I have ever heard them. They were about twice as strong as Los Angeles 1020! Solomon Islands 0126 was also in quite strong, but not nearly as strong as Tonga. Received new veries from KNDI 1270, as a reverification. I verified them years ago when I lived in Alaska. They now have a card. Also received a card and letter from E. Germany 1044. They identified the tape of the Home Service from Dresden. The report was about for 3½ months. I now have Great Britain, France, W. Germany and E. Germany verified from Oregon. Now if I could just hear and verify Africa, but I guess I'll have to wait for the sunspots to decrease. Well, that should do it for this time. . . .Good DX.

tiny hitch to this project; paper is due on 24 March, which is not too far off. So if anyone can assist me, it would be greatly appreciated. 73. (Editor's Note: Bill didn't mention any DX, but he did say that the only room in the house where he could talk on the phone without interruptions was in the convenience room - but Bill, I could still hear the kid hollering, hi-RtH).

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Since Ric left some space, I decided to throw in a forum. Re printing DXR details: I'm w/Niel Wolfish and Mike Bernardin. Our first consideration should be whether the info in DXR tips is of any use to honest DXers, not whether or not they could be put to fraudlent use. The very small minority of DXers who will fake a report to a station usually are more clever about getting their material. For example, one west coast 50 kwer once got a very detailed report w/several commercials, etc. Only problem was that the businesses listed were ones that didn't advertise on the station. It seems the person let his fingers do the DXing thru the yellow pages! 73

WGRM	Greenwood MS	805	Wheeler-Erie PA
	Gulfport MS	1955	Allen-Vallejo CA
	Natchez MS	959	
MAN	Flat River MS Jefferson City MO	623	Wheeler-Erie PA
KWOS	Jellerson City MO	1622	
	Billings MT	907 1003	Kaskey-San Francisco CA
KLTZ :	Glasgow MT	1003	Kaskey-San Francisco CA
KBLL	Helena MT	917	Sherman-Rosemount MN
KFOR	Helena MT Lincoln NE	630	Markewicz-Winnipeg MB
KODY	North Platte NE	1150	Allen-Vallejo CA
KELW	Files NV		Ford-Vancouver BC
MONT	Elko NV Bridgetown NJ	27.6	Wheeler-Erie PA
MULAN	DITUE COMIT NO		
KAVE	Carlsbad NM	1111	
KCTA	Clovis NM		Wein-San Jose CA
WGBB	Freeport NY	388	Wheeler-Erie PA
WGVA	Geneva NY	751	Eddie-St. Louis MO
		333	Breger-Long Island NY
wvos	Libertv NY	270	Wheeler-Erie PA
WNBZ	Jamestown NY Liberty NY Saranac Lake NY Watertown NY Brevard NC Charlotte NC Elizabeth City NC Jacksonville NC Raleigh NC Devils Lake ND Toledo ON	80	Morby-Balliston Lake NY
MATIN	Watertown NY	236	Wheeler-Erie PA
MONE	Progrand MC	11.22	McCormack-W. Lafayette IN
MILLOU	Chamlatta NC	722 570	Arona Taolean MC
MIDI	CHAILOUGE NO	2/10	Ayers-Jackson MS
WCNC	Elizabeth City No	540	Eddie-St. Louis MO
WJNC	Jacksonville NC	527	Wheeler-Erie PA
WRNC	Raleigh NC	697	Brown-Ottawa ON
KDLR	Devils Lake ND	998	Wheeler-Erie PA
WCWA	Toledo ON	525	Morby-Balliston Lake NY
WBBW	Youngstown OH	789	Kaksev-Galva IA
WHT Z	Zanesville OH	2143	Allen-Valleio CA
KVSO	Toledo ON Youngstown OH Zanesville OH Ardmore OK	1022	Brown-Ottawa ON Wheeler-Erie PA Morby-Balliston Lake NY Kaksey-Galva IA Allen-Vallejo CA Wheeler-Erie PA Breger-Austin TX Allen-Vallejo CA
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KBEL	idabel UK	1553	Allen-Vallejo CA
KFLY	Corvailis OR	759	Kesteven-Edmonton AB
KTIX	Pendleton OR	271	Bytheway-Seattle WA
KPRB	Redmond OR	481	McCullogh-San Jose CA
KQEN	Roseburg OR	485 445	Main Can Taga CA
WRTA	Altoona PA	445	McCormack-W. Lafayette IN
WHUM	Reading PA	207	Singer-Richmond VA
WRAX	Wilkes-Barre PA	282	Brown-Ottawa ON
MKDK	Ardmore OK Elk City OK Idabel OK Corvallis OR Pendleton OR Redmond OR Roseburg OR Altoona PA Reading PA Wilkes-Barre PA Newberry SC	541	Wheeler-Erie PA
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WBEJ	Elizabethtown TN	002	Dabetstein-Umana NE
WBIR	! Knoxville TN Fayetteville TN Nashville TN Soddy Daisy TN ! Union City TN	772	Sherman-Rosemount MN
WEKR	Fayetteville TN	696	Kaskey-Galva IA
WKDA	Nashville TN	1941	Allen-Vallejo CA
WEDG	Soddy Daisy TN	350	Ayers-Jackson MS
WENK	! Union City TN	606	Sherman-Rosemount MN
	Brownwood TX	683	Dabelstein-Omaha NE
	Alpine TX	972	Kaskey-Galva IA
	Darron MV	280	Augre-Teakean MS
KUGV	Kilgore TX	1 500	Allen Velleie CA
KOOM	VITEOLG IV	T 207	Allen-Vallejo CA
VOOY	! Raymondville TX	270	MOSS-AUSTIN TA
K-XCX	Sweetwater TX	1,283	Allen-Vallejo CA
WSKI	Montpelier VT Petersburg VA	411	Ayers-Jackson MS Allen-Vallejo CA Moss-Austin TX Allen-Vallejo CA Wheeler-Erie PA McCormack-W. Lafayette IN Bright-Muscatine IA Evans-Gary IN
WSSV	Petersburg VA	555	McCormack-W. Lafayette IN
WROV	Roanoke VĀ	785	Bright-Muscatine IA
WTON	Staunton VA	495	Evans-Gary IN
	! Ellensburg WA	592	Kaskey-Sacramento CA
KGY	Olympia WA	622	Allen-Vallejo CA
WKOY	Bluefield WV	495	Eddie-St. Louis MO
		368	
WTIP	Charleston WV	200	Abraham-Bridgeport MI
WDNE	Elkins WV	853	Kaskey-Galva IA
WOMT	Mantiwoc WI	1831	Allen-Vallejo_CA
WOBT	Rhinelander WI	365 1639	Kaskey-Galva IA
WJMC	Rice Lake WI		Allen-Vallejo CA
WIBU	Poynette WI	1874	Allen-Vallejo CA
KFBC	Cheyenne WY	1272	Wheeler-Erie PA
	! Newcastle WY	1000	Wein-San Jose CA
KRAL	Rawlins WY	1043	Winsor-Valparaiso IN
KTHE	Thermopolis WY	822	Allen-Vallejo CA
	Hone RC	1741	Rutheway & Portfor-Seattle MA
CKGO CFEK	Hope BC Fernie BC	131 562	Bytheway & Portzer-Seattle WA Belanger-Swan River MB

CKMK	McKenzie BC	531	Bytheway & Portzer-Seattle WA
CKBX	100 Mile House BC	760	Belanger-Swan River MB
CKOO	Osoyoos BC	181	Hall Patch-Victoria BC
CJAV	Port Albernie BC	159	Bytheway & Portzer-Seattle WA
CJAR	The Pas MB	93	Belanger-Swan River MB
CJCS	Stratford ON	175	Byrnes-Rochester NY
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Some of the tapes were made under "in-the-field" conditions with portable equipment; therefore, fidelity is not always up to professional aircheck standards. I have numerous other (unorganised) DX from Massachusetts tapes. If you are interested in copies of any of the above tapes, please send the appropriate blank cassette or reel tapes and return postage (30¢ or 1 IRC per cassette or 60¢ or 2 IRC's per ree1 tape). Taping is done on a spare-time basis, so please allow up to 90 days for delivery. I also have a large library of Boston-area rock shows, from 1964 to the present. Please write to me before sending tapes if you have requests for material other than the DX tapes listed above. I will write back to you to inform you of the feasibility of filling your requests.

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The ANARC DX Equipment Information Committee is chaired by Harold Sellers, 3 Camrose Crescent, Scarborough, Ontario MIL 2B5, Canada. This group (of which your editor is a member) contribute to "The Marketplace Report" (edited by Mr. Sellers) which gives news on commerc-

ially available DX equipment and modifications. So far the emphasis has been on SW equipment (ANARC has a majority of SW clubs), but I hope to pass on any equipment news which may be of interest to our membership, such as the R-1000 info which appeared in the last column. If you want to know more about this ANARC publication, send a  $17\phi$  Canadian stamp or an IRC to Harold Sellers at the above address.

Comments on the GE TRF (from Ed Satterthwaite)

I've been comparing my GE TRF to the Realistic TRF, and have the following to add to the Thomas/Barfield conclusions:

Getting reasonable copy on channels adjacent to strong locals is much easier on the In many cases, stations easily heard during a casual band scan on the GE could not be heard without careful nulling of the local on the TRF. With such nulling, the GE remains noticeably better; in very few cases, however, has the difference affected my ability to log a station.

The GE has separate bass and treble controls. This allows limited shaping of the audio pass band which, in my experience, can improve readability. (I find I usually set the TRF for maximum bass, which cuts out a fair amount of splatter and electrical noise but leaves rather muddy audio.)

The wider dial and vernier tuning are big improvements over the TRF, but the calibration is not. With the standard logging scale and a conversion chart, however, I can usually read out the domestic channels reliably.

As others have pointed out, later examples of the Superadio (model 7-2880B) come with external antenna terminals (AM and FM). In my limited experiments with relatively short, random-length wires, attaching an external antenna has actually decreased apparent AM sensitivity. I suspect that a good outboard antenna tuner is essential.

I often listen to KNEW-910. Harmonics of the IF are noticeable and somewhat annoying here on both the TRF and the Superadio. The only bothersome spur (weak KCBS audio on 880 during the day) also appears on the TRF and may well originate at KGO's nearby transmit er.

FM performance of the Superadio is good enough for me. Because the FM spectrum is so ull in this area (San Francisco), sensitivity is hard to judge (and not necessarily desirable), but I did note a Fresno station for the first time on FM. Selectivity seems.

very good, especially compared to other portables, and the sound quality is nice.

Looking at the schematic it appears that the RF transistor is bipolar, and that the entire AM mixer, oscillator and IF amplifier (as well as the power audio amp) are all in one IC. The first point suggests that overloading might be a problem with a good external antenna. My neighborhood suffers from a great deal of locally-generated RF noise at all hours, so I have never required more sensitivity and have never seriously considered a long wire here. Using the internal antenna, I have had no serious problems with spurious responses in this strong-signal area; the extent to which such signals block adjacent channels is harder to judge.

The second point probably means that opportunities for worthwhile modification of the Superadio are very limited. One might imagine replacing or augmenting the multiresonator filter at the IF input with a mechanical one (or perhaps a good ceramic), but achieving good deep-skirt selectivity seems doubtful (the input and output signals would be separated by just one pin on the IC). Because of the packaging, it's not even obvious how or where transfilters could be added.

Here's a possible tip for other users of portables with those abominable ear plugs. GE and others market a stereo headphone adaptor (GE part no. 5-1277, \$3.25). On one end, it has a 3.5 mm earphone plug; on the other, a phone jack wired to feed the same audio to both channels of stereo headphones.

# An Outboard Ferrite Loop for the Superadio (from Gerry Thomas)

As Charlie Barfield and I noted in our initial review of the GE Superadio, this new "TRF" has several things to recommend it. Unfortunately, we also felt that it could stand improvement in a couple of areas. Since the Superadio has gained some acceptance and popularity in recent months, we decided to give a little thought to overcoming what

we believed to be some of the more significant of the Superadio's shortcomings. High on our "wish list" was some means of easily rotating the Superadio to null and peak stations (its weight with six conventional D-cells is close to nine pounds, not the six to seven we had initially estimated). One solution is to simply place the Superadio on a Rubbermaid-type plastic turntable and plug an always-facing-you auxiliary speaker in the earphone jack. A more desirable solution, though, would be an external, rotatable

antenna along the lines of the one the RF-2200 uses. Locating the antenna outside of its cabinet environment should also, theoretically, result in an improvement in its nulling ability. What follows is a brief description of a high-gain, rotatable, tiltable, plug-in external ferrite loop for use with larger radios like the Superadio.

In a nutshell, this antenna is simply a relatively large-core ferrite rod antenna (in this case, the Radio West "Shotgun") mounted atop the ball-and socket head of a table-top camera tripod (Coastar #B-120, "Minipod"). RF signal is gathered from the tuned primary winding of the "Shotgun" by way of a two turn inductive pick-up and is channelled into and through the interior of the tripod's tubing to a standard two conductor, ½ inch phone jack which is fitted in the base of the tripod (the removeable legs of which have been removed). This self-contained unit is then plugged into a two conductor, normally-closed female phone jack which is mounted on the top of the Superadio and connected to the radio's RF stage.

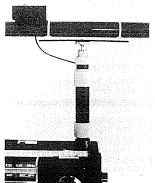
Without the antenna plugged in, the standard internal loop is operable and the Superadio performs as stock. Plugging in the outboard antenna disconnects the internal loop and all RF energy is supplied by the external antenna. A 5 kilohm rotary potentiometer was inserted (in series) in the RF line to allow control of gain from the internal loop, the external loop, and any "longwires" attached to, and tuned by, the Shotgun's circuit. The outboard loop rotates infinitely on the phone jacks and tilts in all directions on

the ball-and-socket head.

I won't take up valuable  $\underline{\text{DXM}}$  space spelling out all the details, but will submit a detailed construction plan for the upcoming tech manual. In the meantime, I'll offer to answer any questions and list the following tips that might be of value to those who might want to strike out on their own. (Gerry can be reached at 2355 W. Michigan Ave. Apt. A-ll, Pensacola, FL 32506.--ed)

- 1. The Radio West "Shotgun" works well in this design and looks really nice with the Superadio's cabinet. However, it supplies sufficiently more signal than the stock antenna that, unless an RF gain control is used a slight reduction in selectivity (in certain situations—next to strong locals) is the result. The same thing happens when used with a Realistic TRF so it isn't unique to the Superadio; it just means that an RF pot will improve performance
- 2. Don't use the leads coming from the variable capacitor box of the "Shotgun" (the loose wire and Fahnestock clip) to make the connection to the Superadio's RF stage. Rather, use a two-turn, #20-#24 gauge inductive pick-up wrapped around the outside of the Shotgun's plexiglass tubing (it isn't necessary to hacksaw your way into the "Shotgun" to add this pick-up, as "Yours Truly" dumbly did). The two ends of this pick-up are terminated at the same points on the circuit board (after travelling through the center of the tripod, to the male and female jacks, and through the RF pot) as the two tiny green wires which come from the internal loop and are its secondary winding.
- The weight of this outboard antenna assembly is such that the strongest male and female phone jacks you can find are recommended (the best I've





found are the Switchcraft, e.g. 14B, 14BPl, although the Calectro F2-837 holds up pretty well). Avoid the temptation to use the jacks with the molded plastic-enclosed contacts. The contacts are very flimsy and will short out in a few days.

- 4. If you don't want to use the "Shotgun" (either because of its weight, price, or sometimes excessive signal output), you can construct a creditable alternative using one (or two, cemented end-to-end) Amidon ferrite rods (\$2.50 each plus postage from Burstein Applebee (#13A5215-4) or direct from Amidon), wound by yourself, and tuned by a 365 pF miniature variable capacitor (e.g. Calectro #Al-232) that has been housed in a mini-box and mounted atop a length of PVC pipe (in which the ferrite rods will be installed).
- 5. Any hollow-bodied, table top tripod (with removable legs) can be used, but shop around. The "Coastar" cost \$4.93 at a Pensacola discount house but was seen in a Boston camera store last summer selling for \$12.95!

6. The only jury-rigging required in this project involves fitting the male phone plug in the base of the larger-diameter tripod body...try PVC plumbing fittings (the "Coastar" takes the  $^{1}\!_{2}$ " diameter ones).

There you have the main construction points of the antenna. After having used this radio/antenna combination for the past couple of weeks, I am impressed not only with its improved ease of use, but also its gain and nulling ability. At equal RF levels, the outboard creates deeper nulls than the stock antenna but, since the RF pot is operable on both, it is possible to null most of my locals into the noise with either.

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Speaking of the Radio West "Shotgun", a tip...
Instead of using the mounting method supplied with the "Shotgun", you might want to take advantage of the fact that the plexiglas tubing of the Shotgun is the same diameter as a C-cell battery and mount two, single, C-cell battery holders (e.g. Calectro #D3-062 (plastic) lengthwise on the top of the "TRF". With the ends of the battery holders carved out, the "Shotgun" will snap in and out of these mounts so that you can use one "Shotgun" on more than one radio. You can also then, remove the "Shotgun" when a longwire is attached and thereby control gain and tuning sharpness. A couple of rubber bands around the barrel of the "Shotgun" before snapping it into the battery holders will reduce lateral slippage.

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Realistic TRF dial calibration chart

# MIDDAY D X RECORD/



# the OO's

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Deadlines: First of the Month

Well, here it is, the first installment of Midday DX Records. Those who have never seriously DX'ed the BCB during the daylight hours might be amazed at some of the catches. Besides several loggings of 1000+ miles, we have a couple of catches which indicate extremely rare multiple-skip receptions (see Patrick Martin's 1969 loggings of WLW-700 and WOAI-1200). And speaking of incredible cx, January 7, 8, and 15 found WMAQ-670, WJR-760, WHAS-840, and many others audible here in Florida all day! Gene Allen also noticed better than average cx on those days, did anyone else?

The exact format is evolving as the column develops but, as a general rule, the most distant catch for each power category will be listed with full data and, if space allows, other loggings for that frequency will be noted in abbreviated form. The "time of day" of each catch has been omitted (due to popular request) but all catches appearing in this column must have been made during "midday," which is defined as that period between two hours after your local sunrise and two hours before your local sunset. Also, because of space constraints, loggings of stations less than 100 miles distant will be deleted (unless, of course, they are the best of a power category).

Enough drivel, here are the "Even Hundreds".....

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CKBI (SK)	Land	C. Taylor (Bermud Martin (OR) Whaley (FL) Connelly (MA)	11/77	407	ni
CMJB (Cuba).	Sea	Byrnes (NY) Whaley (FL) Connelly (MA) Thomas (FL)	Vr Rnd.	343	mi10,000w
KREX (CO)	Land	C. Taylor (Bermud		200	

STN (QTH)	PATH	DX'ER (QTH)	DATE	DISTANCE	POWER
WOAI (TX)	Land Land	Martin (OR)1200 Barfield/Thomas (FL)	12/69	1774 mi	50,000w 50,000w
WFFG (FL)	Sea	Martin (OR)	12/69	202 mi	500w
WOND (NJ) KONG (CA) WFTL (FL)	Sea Land Land	.C. Taylor (Bermuda) .Connelly (MA) .Meehan (CA) .Whaley (FL) .Meehan (CA)	Yr Rnd Yr Rnd Winter 11/77	277 mi 239 mi 172 mi	1,000w 1,000w 1,000w
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KLEB (LA)	Sea	Martin (OR)	12/77	490 mi	1.000w
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I hope the preceding listing will stimulate some of you to check the band the next chance you get...you might be surprised! Be especially sure to check cx during March and April because numerous scientific studies have reported reduced D-layer absorption during these months. And if you can, conduct a groundwave survey from your location and send in your station, state, province, and country totals. One name will be drawn from among those sending in their totals (by April 1) and will be awarded an IRCA T-shirt of his or her choice...yep, bribery (hi).

The next "Distance" deadline will be March 15 and will cover the Bo Derek channels....

the "10's" (610 kHz, 710 kHz, etc.). Deadlines thereafter will be the first of the month (the "20's"--April 1, the "30's"--May 1, etc.). Follow the format used in this column and note that it is no longer necessary to specifically state times before local sunset or after local sunrise that a station was logged (but do stick to the definition of "midday" for loggings submitted to this column). It also is no longer necessary to calculate Great Circle Distances or send in station or location coordinates (unless you're DX'ing from a not-on-any-map location) since I found myself double-checking everything anyway.

I'm planning a series of "Midday DX Basics" articles for the future so if you have discovered any midday DX secrets or have any thoughts on topics such as efficient ground systems, the relative merits of different antenna designs for midday MW DX. correlates of low D-layer absorption days, weather effects on groundwave propagation,

etc., please get in touch. 73's 'til next time and best of midday DX!

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LOOKING BACK AT RADIO

IN 1930

by Gene Martin

The North American broadcast band of 1930 extended from 540 to 1500 kilocycles, and it contained 642 U.S. stations, 81 Canadians, 27 Mexicans, and 17 Cubans. (Please allow me to use the term "kilocycles," for that was the word used in those days, 25 years or so before "kilo-Hertz" was coined to replace it.)

1930 also preceded such things as regular news broadcasts, 24-hour stations, directional antennas, singing commercials, soap operas, and Arbitrons. 1930 was at least a dozen years before the first disc jockey -- a time when stations did not have program formats; instead, they aimed at

providing something for everybody.

This article is accompanied by a reproduction of a log of the broadcast band of 1930. The log is from the December, 1930, issue of Radio Index, better known as Radex. To the DA-ers of the day, Radex was the essential tool to pursuit of the distant station. It was the most reliable DX publication available in North America.

The Radex frequency list contains a world of information. Take time to study the publisher's key which precedes the listing. The key contains the

explanation for the various symbols in the columns.

Today's DX-ers can have a field day wondering what it would be like to go over this broadcast band with a good radio. DX-ers of the present day will find similarities as well as major differences between the bands of 1930 and now. There are changes, addition, and deletions on every frequency yet from 550 to 720 much has remained the same. Over all these years, KFI has been on 640, WGN on 720, WMAQ on 670, WGR, WKRC, and KSD on 550. There is San Francisco on 680 and New York on 660, although in these cases the calls have changed.

Today's DX-ers may be astonished to see only two 500 watt stations -both Canadians -- on 1030. Many DX-ers used to report in Radex that they had heard stations on every frequency except 1030! From Dallas, I was able to log both these Canadians, and for a long time, Vancouver was my most

prized catch: 1740 miles!

The Radex list shows how extensive was the practice of sharing time on the same frequency. There were five stations in Calgary on 690, and I believe they all used the same transmitter. But most shared time arrangements required separate transmitters. KEX and KOP divided time on 1180, WBBM and KFAB on 770, WWL and KWKH on 850, and so on. When there was sufficient distance between station sharing time, each was permitted to operate at the same time during the day. I don't recall if WBAL and wTIC, on 1060, had this sort of arrangement but probably not, as 1930 was in the era of flat-top antannas radiating superior skywaves. WWL and KWKH had to share time both day and night. However, WEBM and KFAB only had to share time at night, and daytime listeners in central Iowa often complained about interference between the two.

Two stations sharing time on a frequency was quite a feasible arrangement inasmuch as not many stations of the time figured they had to be on the air all day or past midnight anyway. A typical broadcast schedule might have a station signing on at 7 a.m. for a couple of hours, then returning to the air at 11 a.m. for another two or three hours, then returning to the air once again at 5 p.m. until 10 or 11 at night. It is my impression now, many years after the fact, that it was the Chicago stations which first carried programs into the hours past midnight. The program fare in these hours was always the same--dance bands from some hotel or ballroom.

No self-respecting radio station of 1930 would ever be caught playing records! Everything which reached the air was live, obliging stations to hire musicians, singers, and other entertainment. Needless to say, a lot of this talent was mediocre. Yet the other side of the coin is that readio of that day offered local artists oppurtunities to be heard; this is not often the case nowadays. In all portions of the country the cream of this local talent eventually gained national recognition and was heard on the networks, making it into Show Biz.

The Federal Radio Commission, which preceded the FCC as radio's governing body, frowned on any station which broadcast popular records of the day, though the practice was never forbidden. The idea was that the people's airwaves should not be used to broadcast records which were easily available to anyone on the retail market. The FRC saw radio as much more than a jukebox! How times have changed!

The FRC attitude on records greatly irritated W. K. Henderson, owner of KWKH, Shreveport, La. (His memory is preserved in the call-letters.) To say that Henderson is a colorful character in U. S. radio history would be a vast understatement. He carried on a perpetual feud with the FRC and in the late 1920's and early 1930's he would personally go on the air and spend many minutes at a time denouncing the FRC. His grievances would make a long list, often having to do with FRC regulations: the KWKH power, having to divide time with WWL, and more. But one of his biggest complaints was over the FRC's discouragement of playing records. KWKH played records and Henderson defended this, telling listeners over and over again that his recorded music was far superior to any local talent he could find on the Shreveport scene.

Networks did exist in 1930. The National Broadcasting Company operated two networks, later to be known as the Red and Elue networks. The Columbia Broadcasting System was also operating in 1930, always referred to as "Columbia." It would not come to be known as "CBS" for many years. The key station of NBC-Red was WEAF, New York; the key for the Blue was WJZ, New York. WEAF is now WNBC and WJZ is now WABC. Columbia's key station was WABC, New York. Some time in the 1940's Columbia persuaded WCBS, a tiny station in Springfield, Ill., to give up its call. (You will find it in the list at 1210, a local channel.) Most likely, that was the most profitable transaction the Illinois station made that year. WABC, New York then became WCFS; WJZ quickly appropriated the call which Columbia had abandoned. It was all very timely, for by that time NFC had sold WJZ and its Elue Network which became the American Broadcasting Company. It was at this same time that NFC itself got into the act, changing WEAF to WRCA. (RCA was and still is the parent company of NFC.) There is a certain lustre in call letters which date back to the early days of radio; they are surrounded by an aura of prestige. The prestige attatched to WJZ was so strong that Westinghouse gave it new life and adopted it as the call for its TV station in Baltimore.

The anathema attatched to records existed strongly in the networks from the very beginnings in 1926 and 1927. The first recorded program ever heard on the networks was King Edward VIII's abdication speech in December, 1936, as relayed via short wave from the BEC. NEC's high brass of that day spent hours restling with their broadcast standards before deciding reluctantly it had to be carried, recorded or not. The whole world new in advance of this broadcast that it would probably be the King's abdication. Winston Churchill was credited with being the King's ghost-writer on that occasion.

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All during the great days of network radio, all programs on NEC and
CES were live -- music, drama, comedy, quiz games, soap poeras, news reports
and commentaries. However, by the mid '30's many individual stations across
the country were playing records for all or a portion of their broadcast
schedules. Still there were no program formats. Even a station which
played records played every kind of music, from grand opera to modern jazz

to spirituals on Sunday morning.

The manner in which broadcasting served the religious needs of the people in the 1930's deserves special attention because it is so drastically different from what reaches the airwaves nowadays. To put it bluntly, there were no "leather-lunged" evangelists on the air, peddling salvation and exhorting the pious for contributions. The stations of the day refused to sell time to any religious organization. Instead, broadcast time was given to churches as a part of the station public service obligations. Throughout the country the hour from 11 a.m. to noon on Sundays was donated to the churches of the community. The various denominations of a city would alternate broadcasting Sunday services in this hour. The networks also followed this policy, usually reserving time on Sunday afternoons for regular national broadcasts by the major denominations. The broadcast ethica of the day did not permit the commercialization of religion.

Popular network programs on the air early in the East were often repeated later that night for stations in the West. Thus Amos 'n' Andy was on the air at 7 p. m., Eastern time, on a Blue network of sixteen stations, the farthest west being WLW, Cincinnati. The program was on the air again at 11 p. m., Eastern time, on a network of twenty-six stations, the farthest east being WMAQ, Chicago. Since these were the days before tape recordings, Amos 'n' Andy actually had to perform their fifteen-minute stint twice each night. As late as 1943, Fred Allen's hour show on CES was aired twice each Sunday night. Inasmuch as I was a great Fred Allen fan, I often heard his first show from KRLD in Dallas at eight o' clock and later, at 10, I would listen to the repeat show on KSL, Salt Lake City. I discovered that he often improved on his comedy between shows.

I do not recall the year that Mutual Proadcasting became the nation's fourth network, although I recall it coincided with WLW's use of 500,000 watts. Mutual was founded initially as a means of linking WOR, WLW and WGN.

These three stations formed Mutual with the intention of forming a small network to reach the lucrative markets of New York and Chicago with the vast audience of superpower WLW. Eventually WLW pulled out of the network and Mutual put aside its intention to remain small and began adding affiliates wherever it could. However, WOR remained Mutual's key station and WGN remained affiliated for many years.

Today's DX-ers, contemplating this frequency list, should remember that this relatively uncluttered spectrum was filled with stations that would sign-off every night. Every station on the Pacific coast, for example was potentially available to the Eastern DX-er at a certain time each night, usually by midnight or 1 a.m. For the Western DX-er many stations on the Bast coast were possible by 3 or 4 a.m. if the Bastern station had an early sign-on. However, the reception reports of the early 1930's leave little doubt that the Eastern listener had the best of this coast-to-coast reception.

The first station I remember being on all-night is at 1200 on the list with 100 watts.\* Every DX-er in the nation who was halfway proficient logged that station, and, from my Texas location, I soon had it classified

as a "pest."

Another very early all-nighter was WJKS, Gary, Indiana, 1,000 watts on 1360, and a third was WFIW, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, 1,000 watts on 940.
Memory recalls that WMPB ("World's Most Beautiful Ballroom," the Trianon) in Chicago, a one-hundred watter on 1210 was another of the very early all-nighters. Its demise had come some time before December, 1930, as it does

not appear in the frequency list.

The Great Depression of the early 1930's resulted in the weeding out of many stations through bankrupcies, mergers, and the like, before this list was published. The process continued throughout the Depression, and the number of stations existing two years after the list was smaller than

that shown here.

Looking over the crowded local frequencies where powers ranged from 5 or 10 watts up to 100, one will find many stations which have since graduated to positions on the regional or clear channels. The eye falls on WJW, Mansfield, Ohio, on 1210. This is one of the ancestors of Cleveland's WJ#, now on 850.

The log shows that many stations have moved short distances over the years. KSO, Clarinda, Iowa, is now in Des Moines. WOR, Newark, is now New York. KFAR has moved from Lincoln to Omaha, and YMMJ, Clay Center is

now in Grand Island. Many more may be spotted in the list.

A number of stations prominent in the 1930's have vanished completely leaving no legacy in today's broadcast spectrum. Such is the case of WPG. Atlartic City, a major station in 1930, on a clear channel (1100, shared with a New York station that has since been replaced by WNEW). Such is also the case of WJAY, Cleveland, on 610, a well known station of the time. KFEL, Denver, became the parent of KIMN and bears no relation at all to the

present KFEL, Pueblo.

On 1490, two of the three stations there in 1930 were interred rermanently years ago, WJAZ and WCRD in Chicago, which shared time with WCKY, then in Covington, Kentucky. WJAZ was about the most famous station in the country from 1925 until 1927. Owned by the Zenith Radio Corporation, WJAZ took the Department of Commerce into federal court challenging its right to issue station licences and assign frequencies. WJAZ was eventually upheld by the Supreme Court, inaugurating an era when all stations were free to pick any frequency they liked and no licence was required to start a new During this breakdown in radio regulation many new stations came onto the air picking their own frequencies and the broadcast band was thrown into chaos. Often the new stations ignored the usual ten kilocycle separation between channels. It was a time of "wave jumping," as it was called. WJAZ picked 910 for itself, and WHT took up the practice of using two channels, using around 750 at night and 1260 by day. The chaos continued more than two years, until Congress passed legislation providing for a Federal Radio Commission. The FRC proceded immediately to reorganize the broadcast band, assigning new frequencies and issuing licences. But that 1927 reallocation lasted no more than about a year, when it was replaced by a 1928 reallocation, a massive frequency shake-up. This 1930 set-up is essentially the same as that provided for in 1928. It is easy to see that the Commission assigned WJAZ to the cellar! Not long afterward, Zenith gave up the idea of operating a radio station in Chicago.

<sup>\*</sup>Editor's note: The call KGFJ, according to some accounts, originally stood for "Keep Good Folks Joyful (24 hours a day)," at a time when a 24hour-a-day station was truly a novelty.

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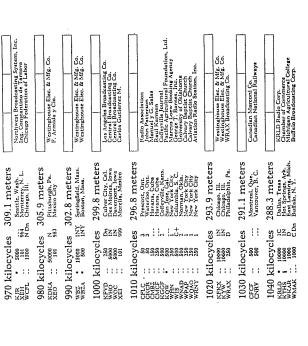
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# A Zonal Analysis Approach to Transatlantic DX

by Mark Connelly

This article attempts to group Trans-Atlantic countries in a manner which will permit the DXer to recognise different types of openings and to utilise each type in the most efficient manner. This idea has been spotlighted in my earlier "Common Sense TADX Strategy" article and in articles in recent LRCA Foreign Logs. This article is an updated, more formal, version of previous works.

The paths from eastern North America to Europe and western Asia pass through an area which is often within the auroral oval. This doughnutshaped absorption zone varies in size according to solar phenomena. The more northerly a route, the more likely it is to be rendered useless by absorption. Tryns-Polar IX does occur, however; two different

phenomena seem to permit it.

One is that a station skips in the "doughnut-hole" of the auroral absorption zone. The statements to follow refer to the north polar region. A normal skip may occur just south of the absorption zone, a subsequent normal skip occurs in the doughnut-hole, and the following skip occurs south of the auroral zone in the opposite hemisphere. Reception of Russians and other TA's by Brian Vernon in the Yukon appear to result from a first slip (heading out from Yukon) within the doughnut-hole and subsequent slips south of the absorption zone in the eastern hemisphere. His remarkable receptions are aided by high-gain Beverage aerials and by

a lack of local stations.

A second type of Trans-Polar propagation involves "chordal-mode" propagation, sometimes referred to by home as "grey-line" propagation. This enhancement occurs when the shortest great-circle path coincides with the sunset/sumrise line. In spring and autumn, sunset in the northeastern USA corresponds with surrise in western China. When Wulumqi was on 1525 (clear of European (MM), the long-haul northeast US-to-west China route exhibited viability, especially in late September/carly October. Chordal-mode skip is one theory offered by propagation analysts. The idea behind this is that reflective ionospheric layers are tilted at sunrise and sunset in such a way that a Trans-Polar signal bounces from a tilted (sunrise) layer in the eastern hemisphere just south of the auroral oval straight through the arctic region (under, and roughly parallel to, the layers in the region of highest absorption; the signal subsequently arrives at a tilted (sunset) layer just south of the absorption zone in the western hemisphere. From that point southward to the receiving site one or more additional normal skips could occur without excessive absorption.

Despite these Trans-Polar propagation possibilities, reception on far-north paths is generally much less reliable than that on routes farther to the south. Regularity of TA propagation to the east coast can be tagged to two parameters transcending individual station-power and interferencefactor considerations: these parameters are the great-circle bearing, specified in degrees east of true north, and the great-circle distance. Based upon years of loggings, it can be stated that TA stations from due north (0°) to 40° (E of N) are usually absorbed by the auroral zone and they offer little chance of reception. They may be heard during periods of low as unspot activity and prolonged auroral "quiet" (several days of low A & V indices). Apparent should reade transport recent to account A & K indices). Apparent chordel-mode trans-polar receptions seem to occur for high-band stations on bearings from 0 to 20 at a distance of 5500 to 6500 miles/8855-10465 km. In the table to follow, these are "zone 5F"

stations.

In medium-wave TA propagation, the closer the station is to you, the more often you will hear it, if all other factors (power, bearing, freq., band cx., QRM, etc.) are equal. The possible exception is on polar paths (zone group 5 in the table): stations in the 5500-6500 mi. range may do better than closer signals because of the special-case Trans-Polar modes

discussed previously.

Based upon loggings, receptions on most bearings of TA stations located farther than 6500 ml./10465 km. from the US listener are exceedingly rare. This is partially due to the high amount of absorption on such a long route (especially if much of the route is over land); also it results from co-channel interference from closer Th's. However, if South Africa had a megawatt coastal station on a good high-band split, it would have a fighting chance to get to the UC because of a clear water-path end a very southerly route, far from the auroral oval. Moderate AU CX could block out co-channel Europeans & North Africans, thereby clearing

the channel. Pete Taylor's recent receptions of American stations from

the channel. Fete raylor's recent receptions of American Stations from South Africa demonstrate the viability of this long-haul path. South Africa is 7820 mi./12590 km. from MA., at a bearing of 105°.

The table at the end of this article arranges TA countries into zones, based upon bearing and distance from an eastern Massachusetts QTH (G. C. 70.22°W./41.68°M.). This table should be of general usefulness to DXers living between Virginia and Mova Scotia; this region encompasses the great content industrial moral creaks from which most TA DX reports the great eastern industrial megalopolis from which most TA DX reports emanate. For those outside this area, TA zone tables may be prepared in the same manner by ordering a set of great-circle bearing & distance charts from a computer service. These services advertise in OST and other hobby publications; you will have to supply the service your home geographical coordinates. In my table, zones are specified by a number which refers to the bearing and by a letter referring to distance.

 $\frac{\text{Group 1}}{140^{\circ}}$  refers to stations on the most southerly TA bearings, from to  $\frac{1}{140^{\circ}}$ . These stations may be heard best during moderately-auroral conditions when the more-numerous Europeans are eliminated and domestic skip is weakened: a typical night will have these Africanshin at US sunset, followed by good Latin American conditions. To wit, Dakar - 765 and Surinam - 725 are often heard well at the same time, indicating similar Surinam - 725 are often heard well at the same time, indicating similar characteristics of favourable propagation modes. The Africans may be heard again in the late evening/early morning as many of them sign-on just before their local surrise times. Senegal - 765, Hauritania - 1349, and Guinea - 1404 lead the way. If these are strong and Europeans aren't in, you have auroral ex. favourable for the further pursuit of African DX targets. You might check for Gambia - 648, Sierra Leone - 1205 (or 1206), Benin- 1475, Togo - 1502 (or 1503), Gabon - 1554, Ivory Coast - 1493, and Upper Volta - 747. Historically, the spring months have provided the best openings. A coastal site, phased Beverage aerials, and low levels of electrical noise/local station QNM are advisable to "milk" sunset AU CX African openings effectively. Mike Duan, in his DXing from Nova Sectia in African openings effectively. Mike Duam, in his DKing from Mova Scotia in the mid-70s, raised the pursuit of African DX to the status of an art and a science.

Group 2, stations on bearings of 70° to 90°, are fairly consistent, but they can be knocked out by the type of auroral ex. which kills domestic skip. The big Portuguese stations on 666, 719, 756, 782, 1035, 1061, and 1578 are your propagation beacons to zones 2A to 2D. Also check the power-house Moroccan stations come in loud & clear on car radios & Realistic TRF's at Massachusetts beachfront locations around sunset. Sudam on 1296 (very rare) signals the potential for other exotic east African DX (zones 2E to 2H).

Group 3, 55° to 70° cast of due north, is comprised of stations which are slightly less consistent than those in group 2. These will be heard on nights when domestic medium skip is strong (e. g. WIS strong in Boston or in Washington). The closer-in Group 3 stations are quite consistently heard at

Washington). The closer-in Group 3 stations are quite consistently heard at east coast sunset (before stateside QRM builds up) and then again at European sunrise. There are many high-powered stations here, some of which can be considered as 'regular' in the eastern USA. Tune for: Algeria - 531, 549; Andorra - 819; France - 711, 792, 837, 864, 945, 1161, 1206, 1377, 1494, £1557; Albania - 1089, 1215, 1395, 1458; Italy - 846, 1062, 1332, £ 1575; Monaco-1467; Spain - 585, 639, 684, 738, 774, 855, 1224; Tunisia - 1566; Austria - 1476; and Malta - 1557. If many of these are strong, longer paths may be viable. Israel on 738 may show during fades on the Spaniard. Tibya on 827 should be noted hetting Morocco - 828; the 1125 outlet might be heard. Egypt - 1107 has occasionally been noted at sunset on Cape Cod with AA chanting at good levels. Switzerland sometimes over-rides the powerhouse 1566 Tunisian. east coast sunset (before stateside QRM builds up) and then again at European

Group 4: The vagaries of propagation are much more apparent when we deal with this group of stations, on bearings from 40° to 55°. Paths are frequently impeded by the auroral oval: many nights are "marginal" with only the superpowered higher-frequency (e. g. 1521, 1593) stations making it through, often with very fluttery/fadey signals. "Good" openings to this area occur about 3 days a month from August to March, less frequently from April through July. Auroral blanketing is sometimes total: even the 1593-type juggernauts don't make it. European dawn has traditionally provided better reception than North American sunset & early evening. You might went try for the following: Ireland - 567; Belgium - 927; Czechoslovalda - 1098, 1233, 1287, 1521; Denmark - 1062, 1431; Sweden-1179; East Germany - 783, 1044, 1359, 1575; West Germany - 1017, 1197 (VOA), 1269, 1422, 1539, 1593; Great Britain - 648, 693, 882, 909, 1053, 1089, 1215, 1296 and 1458; Holland - 747, 1008; Luxembourg - 1440 (dissectible from the domestics during top-notch cx.); Bulgaria - 747; Hungary - 1188; Turkey-1017; Poland - 1368, 1503; Romania - 1152; Vinnitza, USSR - 1548; Yugoslavia - 1134, 1143; Saudi Arabia - 1521 (remarkably loud for the distance); and Lebanon - 836 or 837. If many of these stations are strong, you have an excellent opening - a comparatively rare event. Given this, it would be vise to seek out rarer DK, such as low-powered British locals or exotic catches like Iraq - 1035, Qatar - 954, United Arab Emirates - 1481, and Oman - 1413 (BBC relay). These have all been heard in North America, primarily at Bill Bailey's Phased Beverage Farm in Holden, MA. and at Brian Vernon's Yukon Beverage site.

Group 5 stations, from due north  $(0^{\circ})$  to  $40^{\circ}$  E. of E., are generally blanked by the absorption of the auroral oval. The chordal-mode and doughnut-hole mode discussed earlier are the exception. What we conceive of as "normal mode propagation" can occur during very prolonged periods of

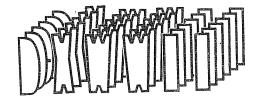
Zonal-analysis chart for TA DX countries from an eastern MA. QTH

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auroral "quiet" when the oval is at its smallest size. Enhanced high-latitude TA cx. often predede a major geomagnetic "blow-out". The mechanism at work seems to be that during a solar upheaval, radiation travelling at the speed of light enhances DX for a few days before more-slowly-moving ionised matter reaches Earth's ionosphere. As soon as the matter hits reflective layers, auroral absorption with a vengeance begins and most TA DX is wiped out. If many of the stations in Group 4 are booming in (especially Sweden - 1179), more northerly paths may be open. Norway - 1514; Greenland - 1425; & UCSR - 801, 1586 should be checked. You are a very lucky DXer indeed if you get an opening good enough to hear these with readable audio. Other Russiam & Scandinavian stations might be heard. Zones 5E to 5H might not be as good under these super cx. as they might be at a time of greater geomagnetic disturbance when special-case Trans-Polar propagation modes (e. g. chordal) are operative.

The author hopes that this article will spur DKers in other TA-active areas (such as Florida/Caribbean islands and far-northern Canada), experiencing considerably-differing propagation, to write similar articles.

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3 55°-70°	Cyprus Egypt Israel	Jordan	Djibouti Ethiopia Yemen Rep. Yemen PDR	Seychelles
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### TRANS-ATLANTIC

Algeria. The Voice of Palestine Voice of Palestine Revolution presented by the Facts carried by Radio Algeria on 531, 549, 980, and 1142 at 1802-1900 in AA. Program consists of news, talk, commentaries and press reviews. (BBCMS via NZDXT 12/79)

Bulgaria. Newly noted regional stations: 648-Plovdiv; 774-Sofija and Varna; 864-Blagoev-grad; 873-Stara Zagora; and 1377-Sumen. 1296 and 1377 broadcast 0400-0500, 1000-1100 and 1730-1830 for Turkish minorities in Kardzali and Sumen. (Arctic 12/14)

Germany, East. Additional transmitters are 1485-Kamenz, Zittau, and Spremberg; 1584-Ebersbach, Cottbus II, Guben, and Weisswasser; 1602-Neugersdorf, Bautzen, Forst and Sentenberg. (Arctic 12/28)

Germany, West. The ex-VOA transmitter from 173 may be used in the future by DLF on 209. More information on the split-up of NDR: it will be cut into two different companies, one for Schleswig-Holstein (Kiel), and the other for Niedersachsen (Hannover). A new company for the Hamburg area will be set up. In addition, private and commercial radio and TV will be allowed to operate in this part of West Germany. Other states in West Germany are expected to have pressure put on them to do the same. The federal government has no say sincy each state has different laws regarding media. Only DLF and DW are federally operated broadcasting stations. Apparently the federal courts are being asked to rule on the whole matter. (Arctic 12/14)

Great Britain. The Conservative government has withdrawn its effort to cut BBC's External Service's budget. Jersey and Guernsey are likely to have their own local BBC stations early in 1981. A relay of Radio 2 is being built at the Rohais, St. Peter Port. The BBC is using the former LBC transmitter at Lotts Road for Radio 4 on 720 khz. BBC Morning Sou'West is a program aimed at the SW of England and the Channel Islands 0630 and 0835. Main studio is in Plymouth with unmanned studios in Exeter and Truro, Cornwall. Frequencies are 756-Redruth, 2 kw; 801-Barnstaple, 2 kw; 855-Plymouth, 1 kw; 990-Exeter, 1 kw; and 1458-Torbay, 1 kw. (Arctic 12/14)

International Waters. Radio Delmare-1566 is silent again. The ship Aegir 2 was brought into Holland and was immediately raided by Dutch police. (Arctic 12/28)

Iran. The Voice of the Islamic Republic of Iran announced that its second program would begin on 1326, but this channel has been reported instead as carrying relays of the open sessions of the Council for the Final Study of the Constitution. (BBCMS via Arctic 12/28) The external service in AA has been extended from 49 to 63 hours per week. AA now 0530-0830 on 1116, 612, 575; 1430-1630 on 1386, 1116, 1080; 1730-2130 on 1116, 1080. (BBCMS via SCDX 1/8)

 $\overline{\text{Israel}}$ . Voice of Israel recently introduced additional external service in Persian 1840-1900 on 738//7465; otherwise this frequency carries Network D in AA with news bulletins in EE and FF. (BBCMS via SCDX 1/8)

<u>Jordan</u>. A new 2 mw transmitter is being used intermittently on 801 khz. Originally this was to be used on a lower frequency before that frequency was grabbed by Saudi Arabia. Used in afternoons and evenings, eventually will be fulltime in place of the existing 200 kw unit. (SWNS)

Kuwait. First program in AA 0225-2210 on 540 and 1134. Second Program and Foreign Languag, service from 0200-2100 on 1341. (Arctic 12/28) Marconi Communications will install an additional 750 kw transmitter for the Kuwait BC and TV Service. Kuwait already has three 750 kw transmitters in use. (Broadcast Engineering, via Bruce Portzer)

<u>Lebanon</u>. The Voice of Hope now operates on 945 ex 936. (BBCMS via Arctic 12/14) The pro-Phalangist Voice of Lebanon-866 is on 0415-0925 and 1010-2130. (BBCMS via Arctic 12/28)

Liberia. The Liberia Broadcasting Corporation (ELBC) is supposed to have begun use of its new 50 kw transmitter. An additional 10 kw transmitter is expected to be used soon. (BBCMS via NZDXT 12/79)

Malta. Radju Malta International on 756 is on 0700-1700. English programs 1315-1700 consist mostly of transcriptions of major SW stations such as R. Nederland, R. Moscow, UN Radio, etc. (SCDX 12/18)

Morocco. The Minister of Information says that measures to reopen Radio Tetuan were progressing and it would be back in operation by summer 1980. (BBCMS via Arctic 12/28)

Nigeria. Imo Broadcasting SErvice has purchased 3 10 kw transmitters AM and 3 10 kw FM trans mitters from McMartin Industries of Omaha. Transmitters will be installed in 3 town in Imo state in mid-spring 1980. (Electronic News via Bruce Portzer) 1017 Congola Bc. Corp., Yola 0430-2305

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1367 Cross River Radio, Calabar 0430-2305 Federal Radio Corp. stations heard on:

1313 Plateau Bc. Corp., Jos 0430-2305

593 Kaduna 0430-2305 827 Enugu 0430-2305 ex 621

1088 Lagos 0430-2305 (not 918) (BBCMS via Arctic 12/14)

Portugal. A bill containing matters of overal policy in radio broadcasting has been vetoer by the President. This bill would have permitted operation of private stations and also new frequencies subject to government control. (BBCMS via Arctic 12/28) Porto Alto (Lisbon) is now on 1035. Porto (Miramar) is still on 782. Third Program is called Radio Commercial onda media. Fourth Program (FM). These programs of Radio Commercial differ from First Program (666) and Second Program (756) by carrying commercials. (SCDX 12/18)

Saudi Arabia. Duba-594 has been noted in Europe, despite Frankfurt. (Arctic 12/28)

## Spain

1359 Radio Peninsular de Barcelona, ex 1539. (Arctic 12/28) New RNE stations to be on the air soon:

639 Almeria, 20 kw 774 Orense, 20 kw

855 Pontevedra, 20 kw.

1395 EFJ15, Radio Juventud, La Voz de Cataluna, Barcelona back here again. 1467 EAJ38 Radio Gerona ex 1485 1539 EAJ22 R. Huesca here ex 1602.

Arctic 12/14)

Switzerland. Swiss Broadcasting Corporation has 4 transmitters: 531 Beromunster for GG speaking Switzerland connected alternatively with studios of Bern, Basel, Zurich, and Chur. 558, Monte Ceneri for Italian Swiss (Radio Della Svizzera italiana, studio in Lugano. 765, Sottens for French Swiss, studios in Laussane and Geneva. 1566 Sarnen for GG Swiss with same studios as 531. (Arctic 12/14)

Syria. Western/Turkish program from Damascus now heard on 872, 1070, 1314, and 1484. Damascus also broadcasts in Hebrew to Israel on 782 0500-0630 and 1400-1530. (WRTH-via ARctic 12/14) Radio Damascus on 1485 has been heard with AA at 1830, Russian at 1900 German at 1930, French at 2000 and English at 2100. (SCDX via NZDXT 12/79)

Transkei. New Capital Radio opened on 12/26 with 500 kw on 603 from Herschel. Will broadcast 20 hours a day in EE. (Arctic 12/14) The signal will be powerful enoughto reach every major center in southern Africa in daytime except Capetown which will be covered by a special SW transmitter. (NZDXT 12/79)

United Arab Emirates. New schedule of the Voice of the United Arab Emirates is: Abu Dhabi-728 0200-2130 in AA; 809 0200-1400 in AA, EE, FF, and Urdu. Sharja-1575 in AA 0230-2130. Fujairah-972 0230-0600 and 0900-2130 in AA. Ras-Al-Khaimah-1175 0215-1610, 1000-1900 in AA, EE, and Urdu. Umm-Al-Quiwan-846 0215-1705 and 1100-1600 in AA. The frequencies of 728, 809, and 1175 do not correspond with the new MW band plan. (SCDX 1/8)

USSR. Radio Moscow will verify reception reports naming transmitter sites if program details are included with the report. (SCDX 12/18( Rumanian program at 1500 on 891 is from Kiev, using transmitter at Uzhgorod. This program is in same category as Foreign Service from Kiev on SW. (Arctic 12/28)

Yugoslavia. A new 1 kw transmitter at Pancevac on 1584. (BBCMS via ARctic 12/28) LATIN AMERICA

Brazil. Radiobras, the government broadcasting agency, plans to have all their MW station on 980 and 1130 only. R. Nacional will soon become a national coverage station, with just separate local outlets for news, weather, traffic, etc. R. Nacional do Rio de Janeiro and Brasilia will operate during the day on 1130 and 980 respectively; only Brasilia will remain on at night with 600 kw, programming originating in Rio. At present both stations are on 24 hours. R. Ipanema in Rio is presently on 980. Incidentally, R. Nacional is the only station in Rio playing exclusively Brazilian music. All other stations seem to play more US and British pop music. (Arctic 12/14)

Colombia. HJFY R. Avenida-1390 ex 1370 has been heard in Scandanavia by several. (Arctic 12/14)

Peru. The government plans to return all newspapers and radio stations which were confiscated in 1974 to their owners. (Arctic 12/14)

St. Lucia. According to official information, Radio St. Lucia has a 1 kw transmitter on 625 on the southern part of the island; hopes are to eventually increase power to 10 kw. (WRTH via NZDXT 12/79)

 $\underline{\text{Venezuela}}$ . YVNB-820 La Voz de la Sierra, Churuguara used to be on 1280, but seems to have moved here. Power is said to be 1 kw. YVLF-1290, R. Puerto Cabello now uses this slogan again according to several listeners. (Arctic 12/14)

China. Gansu People's Broadcasting Station, Lanzhou recently announced frequency as 873. Like the Inner Mongolian PBS in Hohet, it no longer uses the anthem "East is Red" or the "Internationale" at s/on and s/off. The Heilongjian PBS in Harbin broadcasts on 621 and 900 from 2040-0630 and 0830-1530. Programs mostly in standard CC, but there is a KK pgm from 0300-0400. Julin PBS, Changchun announces 738 ad- 1530 khz. Operates 2050-0530 and 0850-1505. Ningxia PBS, Yinchuan on 891 and 1287 are on from 2210-0150,..0350-0600 and 0920-1535. (BBCMS via ARctic 12/28)

Liaoning PBS in Shenyang broadcasts on 612, 1089 and 1260. Shandong PBS broadcasts on 594, 918, 1485 and 1548. Sichuan PBS at Chendu carries the first program on 1116 at 0250-0630, 0930-1505 and 2120-0100. Local news at 0300, 0400, 1100 and 2310. Radio Peking Domestic Service is broadcast at 1200-1230. (BBCMS via NZDXT 12/79)

Hawaii. Alan Roycroft has been made an honorary member of the NZDX League because of the help he has given DXers. (NZDXT 12/79)

- <u>Korea, South.</u>
  558 Yeong-il , Pohang, 2nd pgm, 250 kw, EE at 1100-1130 and 2330-2400 603 Namyang, 2nd pgm, 500 kw

  - Sorae, 1st pgm, 500 kw
- 756 Suweon, ex-HLSR program, cd 1600, 1st pgm, 100 kw
- 918 Yeoncheon, 1st pgm, 50 kw
- 972 Dangjin, Education, Social Education 1st pgm to N. Korea, 1500 kw
- Gimpo, cd 1600, 1st pgm, 250 kw 1134
- 1143 Jeju, 2ns pgm, 250 kw
- 1170 Gimje, Social Education 2nd pgm to Japan and S. Korea, 500 kw, ex-972. Japanese 1100-1330, EE 1000-1030, and Chinese 1030-1100.
- Yangju, cd 1600, 1st pgm, 10 kw Gimpo, cd 1600, 1st pgm, 10 kw 1269
- 1341
- 1008 Segcho, domestic pgm, 50 kw, ex 1170, KBS

1st pgm from 2000-1800 in Korean; 2nd pgm from 0500-0000 in Korean (includes English) Social Education 1st pgm from 0500-0100 in Korean; 2nd pgm from 1000-0500 in Korean (includes Japanese, English and Chinese). (Arctic 12/28)

Laos. National Radio of Laos announced a new service called the "Entertainment Program for Promoting Patriotism and Revolutionary Enthusiasm" every Sat. and Sun on 1030 khz. This channel used other times for National Radio of Laos' external service. Regular domestic service on 640 khz at 2200-0200, 0330-0700 and 0900-1600. (BBCMS via NZDXT 12)

Papua New Guinea. New station called Radio West Sepik opened 12/4 with 10 kw on 1593. (SCDX via Arctic 12/28)

Solomon Islands. SIBC is planning a 5 kw station on 1386 in 1980 from Kijakira. Another station is planned for Graciosa Bay with 2 kw. (Arctic 12/28)

Taiwan. International Community Radio in Taipei (ICRT)-1550, was off daytimes in November to install new towers. ICRT, a former AFRTS station, has an AFRTS-style format with somewhat less public affairs. News broadcasts sponsored by various businesses. (SWNS)

Titust Territories of the Pacific. KSAI-940, Saipan, nominal frequency of 936. WSZE is still on 1050, Saipan, nominal frequency of 1053. WSZC, Truk, is on 1602, ex 1300. (Arctic 12/28)

I think that's all for this time, 73 de FJP.

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# PORTLAND, OREGON RADIO FORMATS (Courtesy of Pat Martin)

620	KGW	Top 40	1290	KLIQ	Religious/Big Band
750	KXL	Easy Listening/MoR	1330	KUPL	Easy Listening
800	KPDQ	Religious	1360	KUIK	Top 40/pop
940	KWRC	Top 40/pop	1410	KPAM	Top 40
970	KYTE	Modern Country	1450	KBPS	NPR (Variety/Educational)
1080	KWJJ	Country Western	1480	KARO	Top 40/rock
1150	KKEY	Talk	1520	KYXL	News/Talk
1190	KEX	Contemporary/Personality	1550	KGAR	Country-Western
1230	KRDR	Country-Western	1600	KOHI	Country-Western

# Report From New Zealand

John L. Allchin Auckland, New Zealand

The following stations were heard either at my home in Auckland (indicated by  $\underline{AK}$ ) using a Sony ICF-6800W connected up to a 36 inch frame loop antenna  $\underline{or}$  at the beverage antenna site at Te Araroa, East Cape (indicated as  $\underline{TA}$ ) using the Sony, and a 1250 foot longwire directed to the northeast. Reception times are in G.M.T.

- 550 KTSA San Antonio, TX 11/19 0848 up fair w/contest promo, '55-KTSA' ID then into rr. KMVI way under. (TA)
- 560 <u>UNID</u> ----- 11/20 0734 C&W made it thru Fiji-558 and 2YA-567 splatter at this time, & other occasions, but peaks didn't correspond w/ID. KLVI & KWTO are suspects. (<u>TA</u>)
- 570 <u>KLAC</u> Los Angeles, CA 11/19 0756 peaking good w/C&W, frequent IDs thru 2YA-567 splatter. (TA)
- 580 <u>KFXD</u> Nampa-Boise, ID 11/18 1034 at a good steady level w/Top 40 mx, frequent IDs atop WIBW/KMJ
- 580 WIBW Topeka, KS 11/20 1100 ending C&W selection, ID then into CBS nx. Good o/everything. ( $\underline{\text{TA}}$ )
- 590 <u>UNID</u> ----- 11/19 0831 station followed past 0845 u/& mxd KGMB. EST t/c heard makes WPLO likely. (TA)
- 600  $\frac{\text{KSJB}}{\text{ID}}$  Jamestown, ND 11/13 0855-0910 in fair o/ KROD & Cuban w/C&W mx,  $\frac{1}{\text{ID}}$  0905 as 'Radio 600, KSJB'. No sign of usually dominants KOGO & CJOR. ( $\frac{\text{TA}}{\text{C}}$ )
- 600  $\frac{\text{KROD}}{\text{Radio}}$  El Paso, TX 11/13 0905 ID moments before KSJB ID, as 'better mx Radio 6, KROD'. This a/nx, rapidly faded. ( $\frac{\text{TA}}{\text{A}}$ )
- 610 WDAF Kansas City, MO 11/19 1011 fair o/subdued KFRC w/C&W, '61 Country' IDs, anner was Phil Young. Lost to QRM 0520. (TA)
- 620 WSUN St. Petersburg, FL 11/18 0930 noted w/nx headlines to 0931, ID & into C&W. Fair atop others. (TA)
- 620  $\frac{\text{KNGS}}{\text{uent}}$  Hanford, CA 11/13 0929 w/slight het against 3AR-621, C&W mx, frequent 'Kings Country 62' IDs, fair above QRM. ( $\frac{\text{TA}}{\text{CA}}$ )
- 620 <u>KWFT</u> Wichita Falls, TX 9/26 in fair w/severe 3AR-621 het w/wx for TX & Wichita Falls, then into farm news 1050. (<u>AK</u>)
- 660 WNBC New York, NY 11/18 0718 ID & into Stevie Wonder song, station promoting 'commercial free half hour of mx' easily thru 2YC-657 slop, but gone by 0223. (TA)
- 720 <u>KDWN</u> Las Vegas, NV 11/18 1122 thru 4YC OC (off for maintenance) w/talk prgm sponsored by the Holiday International Hotel. ID 1130 as 'K-Dawn' & KDWN. QRM R. Moscow which was in English. (TA)
- 760 WJR Detroit, MI 11/20 heard 0700 w/ID 'This is Radio 76, WJR Detroit' then NBC Nx, thru severe KGU QRM. KFMB heard earlier. (TA)
- 770  $\frac{\text{WABC}}{\text{WABC}}$  New York, NY 11/18 heard 0756 past 0830 competing w/KOB. Top 40 mx,  $\frac{\text{WABC}}{\text{WABC}}$  News' 1D 0259, then sport, wx. Peaked vg. ( $\frac{\text{TA}}{\text{A}}$ )
- 820 WBAP Fort Worth, TX 11/18 0635 thru extreme 1YZ-819 het, w/talk. ( $\underline{\text{TA}}$ )
- 880 WCBS New York, NY 11/15 1055 cutting thru 1YC-882 slop at good level w/nx, spot for Annual Olympic Ski Show at Rockland Community College. (TA)
- 890 WLS Chicago, IL 11/14 0949 unbelievable level w/advts, & jx ID 'The greatest mx, WLS'. Completely destroying Fiji & 2XW both on 891 kHz. (TA)
- 910 KRIO McAllen, TX 11/13 0735 atop KNEW/KJJJ/KOXR w/automated rr, & 'Super Rock, KRIO' IDs. ( $\underline{\text{TA}}$ )
- 920 KARN Little Rock, AR 11/14 1000 a/a block of BFL mx, an ID & into NBC nx atop another, some 3YZ-918 slop. (TA)
- 930 CJCA Edmonton, AB 9/23 1351-1407 w/good signal way o/KHJ, Nx 1400, then Edmonton Area Weekend Wx 1405, sports nx. (AK)
- 930 KSEI Pocatello, ID 11/18 1300 tentatively the one here u/KHJ w/Mutual IDs, very poor. (TA)
- 960 KABL Oakland, CA 11/15 0859 w/CLA mx, ID 0900 'In the air, everywhere, this is KABL Oakland, San Francisco', followed by nx. Good o/KARZ & 3YC-963 slop. (TA)

- 970 WDAY Fargo, ND 11/20 0643 Larry King heard here mixing KYTE/KPUA at this time, WDAY only one on 970 w/LK at this time, so seems likely. ( $\underline{\text{TA}}$ )
- 980 CKRM Regina, SA 11/19 0752 w/C&W past 0810 w/'RM-98' IDs way o/KFWB & Unid TT, 1YE-981 was little problem here. (TA)
- 1010 KLRA Little Rock, AR 11/18 1112 tentatively the one here w/CBS R. Network promo, weak and soon faded. Mixed XEHL and another. (TA)
- 1020 KBCQ Roswell, NM 10/11 1235 w/Top 40 mx fair to good atop KTNQ w/many IDs mentioning 50,000 watts, taking requests too. (AK)
- 1020  $\frac{\text{KDKA}}{0250}$ . Pittsburg, PA 11/15 0748 floated in o/KTNQ w/talk show, gone again by 0250. Peaked fair. ( $\frac{\text{TA}}{1}$ )
- 1030 WBZ Boston, MA 11/18 0623 tremendous signal, equal level w/NZers on 1026 & 1035 kHz, talk show w/ph. no. (617) 254-5678, then took call 'hello you're next on WBZ Radio'. ( $\underline{T}$ A)
- 1030 KCTA Corpus Christi 9/7 1315 up to vg level w/REL, ID anncing 50,000 watts clear channel, then 'Chapel of the Air'. Hrd o/KTWO. (AK)
- 1050 CHUM Toronto, ON 11/19 0733 came in out of nowhere peaking strong w/advts wx, and 'Chum' ID, then Bee Gees mx. Way atop SS station. ( $\underline{\text{TA}}$ )
- 1050  $\frac{\text{CFGP}}{\text{and}}$  Grande Praire, AB 10/29 1250 poor to fair but clear w/extensive farm and livestock rpts, o/the Mexican. (AK)
- 1060 KYW Pennsylvania, PA 11/19 0634 w/wx for '5 State Area' and 'KYW Nxtime' ID, then into nx report from Iran. Fair o/CFCN/KPAY, noted past 0644. (TA)
- 1080 KRLD Dallas, TX 11/18 1133 noted good o/KIOE w/ID & C&W mx. (TA)
- 1140 KMJJ North Las Vegas, NV 11/19 1120 fair to good w/PSAs & many 'Magic 11, KMJJ'IDs w/KRAK off for MM SP. (TA)
- 1150 KSAL Salina, KS 11/19 1133 fair atop XEJP w/spot for Music centre in d/town Salina, then '1150 KSAL' ID. ( $\underline{\text{TA}}$ )
- 1150 KAGO Klamath Falls, OR 10/23 1247 w/nx, wx and ID 'you're now up to date on KAGO'. Fair to good above QRM. ( $\underline{AK}$ )
- 1150 KBAI Morro Bay, CA 8/15 heard ETing w/George Harrison song, then annot that they were reducing pwr from 5000 watts to 500 watts, told listeners to standby. Wasn't heard on reduced power. Hrd 1317. (AK)
- T1150 CKIQ Kelowna, BC 9/9 1310 ID heard in between songs, w/contest promo 1314. Fair topping the freq o/QRM. ( $\underline{AK}$ )
- 1150  $\frac{\text{CKX}}{\text{and}}$  Brandon, MB 9/23 1222 poor to fair w/sports nx, than a '1150 CKX' ID and into mx. Made some further appearances from time to time. ( $\frac{\text{AK}}{\text{CK}}$ )
- 1150 KAYO Seattle, WA 9/22 1253 surfaced above the jumble w/KAYO ID, then SID & into C&W. Noted nil to fair to ABC Nx 1330. QRM CKX/KAGO. (AK)
- 1150 <u>UNID</u> ----- 11/16 0638 w/Larry King, a couple of possibilities, WJBO seems most likely. ( $\underline{TA}$ )
- 1180 KOFI Kalispell, MT 10/21 1300 fair, peaking good w/ID 'It's coming up 7 o'clock at KOFI in Kalispell'. Into UPI Nx. Het against 3KZ-1179. (AK)
- 1190  $\frac{\text{WOWO}}{\text{then}}$  Fort Wayne, IN 10/28 1203 w/KEX off, heard nx, wx then 'Wo Wo Nx' ID then into talk prgm. Fair to 1209 then faded u/QRM. (AK)
- 1180 KOFI MT KALISPELL 10/21 0900 fair, peaking good w/ID 'It's coming up 7 o'clock at KOFI in Kalispell'. Into UPI Nx. Het against 3KZ-1179. (AK)
- 1190 WOWO IN FORT WAYNE 10/28 0703 w/KEX off, heard nx, wx then ID as 'Wo Wo' Nx, then into talk prgm. Fair to 0709 then faded: u/QRM. (AK)
- 1190 KEZY CA ANAHEIM 11/18 0458 w/ID 'KEZY Anaheim', then into prgm called Powerline w/John Rivers. Fair thru KEX OC. (TA)
- 1190 CFSL SA WEYBURN 10/25 0817 surfaced o/KEX during KEX fade, w/ID then spot for a theatre in Weyburn. KEX back on top by 0819.

  (AK)
- 1260 KGIL CA SAN FERNANDO 11/14 0110 in the clear before 3XA faded in, always in behind the NZer. (TA)
- 1270 KFJZ TX FORT WORTH 11/18 0137 Neil Diamond hit, ID then wx for Forth Worth-Dallas Area from KFJZ's Meteorologist Mike Rucker. Temp was 57. Very good atop SS station. (TA)

- 1280 KKAL CA ARROYO GRANDE 8/14 0658 on new calls ex KFYV w/sports nx, and into C&W. Fair atop the QRM. (AK)
- 1280 KFRN CA LONG BEACH 8/14 0714 w/blocks of instrumental mx, then Family Radio ID. Fair when surfaced o/the QRM. (AK)
- 1280 KBDF OR EUGENE 11/29 0714 poor to fair w/ID and into 'Knights in White Saturn' song, gone by 0718. (AK)
- 1280 KJOY CA STOCKTON 11/18 0810 faded up o/KFRN with Top 40 mx, wx and jx ID ' W/Pat Kelly KJOY' then into rr. Good signal. (TA)
- 1280 KIT WA YAKIMA -- 11/18 0949 topping the freq w/spot for warehouse in Yakima, ID then into Pop mx. ( $\frac{TA}{2}$ )
- 1290 WHIO OH DAYTON 11/19 0210 pleasant surprise w/Carol King song, ID & wx then CBS R. Network prgm. Fair and clear o/QRM. (TA)
- 1290 KHSL CA CHICO 11/13 0900 noted w/s/off annot and SSB, leaving KMEN in the clear. (TA)
- 1290 KTRN TX WICHITA FALLS 11/20 0210 w/end of nx, then wx and '1290 KTRN' ID and into Bee Gees hit. Fair, dominating the freq. ( $\underline{\text{TA}}$ )
- 1290 KRGV TX WESLACO 12/20 0622-0700 w/extensive agricultural rpts, wx,
  PSAs for forest fire prevention. Wx 0658 sponsored by Chevy
  dealer in Brownsville. Generally good o/KMEN. (AK)
- 1300 CJME SA REGINA 9/14 0724 noted o/KWKW w/no sign of KMPS w/spot for car dealership in Regina, two IDs and into Top 40. Peaked fair but soon faded. (AK)
- 1310 KNPT OR NEWPORT 9/22 1010 fair and alone on freq, probably on day pwr and pattern w/spot for sports coverage and list of sponsors, many IDs then into mx. KDIA was there 5 mins before. ( $\underline{AK}$ )
- 1320 KGNR CA SACRAMENTO 11/14 0915 very good level w/KGNR Sports' ID spot for United Calif Bank then more nx. (TA)
- 1330 KFH KS WICHITA 11/20 0125 thru 1XI-1332 slop w/lady anner, '13-KFH' ID & into C&W. Poor-fair o/2 others, soon lost to QRM. ( $\underline{TA}$ )
- 1360 WSAI OH CINCINNATI 11/19 0334 exceptional level o/KRYS/KGB w/many IDs, spot for American Ctry Countdown on 'AM 1360, WSAI'. (TA)
- 1380 WLCY FL ST. PETERSBURG-TAMPA 11/13 0249 all alone except for XECO during unusual cx w/Top 40 mx, ID and nx 0250. No sign of KTOM. (TA)
- 1410 WIZM La Crosse, WI 11/18 0700 ending Larry King w/Mutual ID, then SID "WIZM' and La Crosse, Wisconsin mention. Poor to fair w/no sign of WUNI/ CFUN. (TA)
- 1420 WOC Davenport, IA 11/12 0720 peaking fair o/KCCN w/'WOC Sports' ID. (TA)
- 1420 KTOE Mankato, MN 11/19 0656 dominating to fade out 0205 w/Top 40, nx, sport, advt, wx & ID. Fair o/KSTN/KCCN/WOC. (TA)
- 1420 KSTN Stockton, CA 11/19 0657 ID heard u/KTOE w/promos for mx all night long. Poor.  $(\underline{TA})$
- 1430 <u>KLO</u> Ogden, UT 7/30 1316 thru severe het against 2WN-1431 taking calls for 'Super Sponge Contest', & '1430 KLO' IDs. Fair despite het. KALI way u/w/SS prgm. (AK)
- 1430 KGAY Salem, OR 11/14 1526 poor signal from this daytimer w/KGAY Nx & Sport ID, then into C&W. Gone by 1029. All alone on freq.  $(\underline{TA})$
- 1440 WHHY Montgomery, AL 11/19 0615 faded up to barely fair w/ID o/KUHL/KEYS and other QRM and quickly faded again. (TA)
- 1440 KUHL Santa Maria, CA 11/15 0917 best ever heard w/spot for the Union Hotel then into Top 40 mx, good past 0931. (TA)
- 1460 KSO Des Moines, IA 11/16 0843 poor, to peaks at good level w/C&W thru minimal 3YW-1458 slop. Many IDs. (TA)
- 1470 CJVB Vancouver, BC 11/16 0859 past 0931 nil to poor mixing XESM & thru
  1XA-1476 splash w/instrumental mx. Wx for major world cities 0930. (TA)
- 1480 KYOS Merced, CA 11/15 0726 thru little 1XA-1476 slop w/Top 40 mx, then  $\overline{\text{1D}}$ . Some fair to good peaks. ( $\overline{\text{TA}}$ )

- $\underline{KXRX}$  San Jose, CA 11/14 0937 assumed the one here w/Larry King mixing  $\underline{KUMU}/KSTP$ . (TA) 1500
- $\frac{WLAC}{mxd}$  Nashville, TN 11/12 0612 frequent visitor around this time, later mxd KGA. Many '15-LAC' IDs, w/rr mx. (TA) 1510
- WCKY Cincinnati, OH 11/17 0834 faded up to equal level w/KFBK w/Fromo for an upcoming prgm and a no. of IDs clearly heard.
- KZLA Los Angeles, CA new calls ex KPOL heard w/Larry King to 1058, world 1540 prgm to ID & nx 1100. Good signal the strong het against 1539 kHz. (TA)
- KOWB West Fargo-Fargo, ND 11/13 0721 topping the channel w/Top 40, often 1550 heard mxd & u/KGAR/KKHI
- 1570 UNID ----- - 11/15 0812 someone came up IDing as 'Centre Island Radio'. then back into Top 40, and faded. Maybe often heard CHUB. (TA)
- 1580 CBJ Chicoutimi, PQ - 11/19 1038 w/KDAY off, hrd instrumental mx, no annets then Canadian anthem 1056 & French talk heard. Fair level. (TA)

In addition to these stations many of the easier heard stations and clear channel stations were not listed; they are ....

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# Report From the Azores

by Mark Connelly

A friend of mine who works at Teradyne, Peter McGonagle, recently went to Lejes Field on a two week tour of duty with the U.S. Naval reserves. He took a Realistic TRF, a cassette recorder, and a copy of the World Radio-TV Handbook. During the tour, he also made a brief stop in the Canary Islands. After analysing tapes and logs, the following loggings are hereby reported:

### AZORES LOG

- 531 548
- Algeria, Ain Beida, xlnt w/YL AA chant & violins 0120 9/30.

  Algeria, Oran, loud w/AA mx //531 0120 9/30.

  Ireland, Tullamore, good w/"Take 5" by Dave Brubeck 0121 9/30. Also hrd evening of 9/30 w/special coverage of Papal visit to Eire; ancr said stn would be on for 24 hrs a day.

  Spain, Madrid, good w/SS family drama 0122 9/30.

  Unid, German suspected w/rock mx 0123 9/30.

  Morocco, Sebaa-Aioun, good w/AA mx 0125 9/30.

  Canada, St. John's,CBN, poor-fair w/EE talk o/SAH's 0128 9/30.

  England, Daventry, BBC good w/EE discussion 0129 9/30.

  Portugal, Lisboa, very good w/PP male vocal 0130 9/30.

  Unid, probably CHYQ 0131 9/30.

  Spain, Sevilla, loud w/SS argument, drama //585/855. Slavic male vocal way underneath, probably Yugoslavia 0132 9/30.

  England, BBC synchros, good w/EE talk, the old time piano mx atop het from something on 692 0133 9/30.

  Portugal, Norte loud w/PP dialogue mentioning Hebrew League 0135 9/30.

  West Germany, Braunschweig et al, noted w/"oompah band" style German 567 585
- 594 612
- 640
- 648
- 666
- 670 684
- 693
- 719
- 756 West Germany, Braunschweig et al, noted w/"oompah band" style German
- instrumental mx 0136 9/30. USA, New York, WABC, fair-good w/"Some Day We'll be Together Again" by 770
- 782
- Diana Ross & the Supremes 0137 9/30.

  Portugal, Porto Miramar, loud w/guitar rock 0138 9/30.

  USSR, Leningrad, good at s/on o/GG stn & 800 het (VOWR?); Russian anthem, woman in RR, then "skating rink" type organ mx followed by man & woman in RR 0158-0202 10/1. 801

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Spain, Madrid, good w/SS vocal and giutar 0139 9/30.
                      Morocco, Rabat, extremely loud w/AA mx 0140 9/20.

Portugal, fair w/PP talk. The Moroccan on this channel was off at the
810
819
828
                       Azores, Pta. Delgada, local hrd w/soccer in PP 1705 9/30.

Italy, Roma, good w/II MoR mx 0142 9/30.

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Statistical Night Olding Statistics of 846 & 855; Jim Sands
837
846
                       Saturday Night Oldie Show heard, WHDH ID 0143 9/30.
Spain, Murcia, good w/SS family drama //585/684 0144 9/30.
Spain, Zaragoza, suspected here w/disco 0145 9/30.
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Wales, BBC synchros fair-good w/"Nobody Does it Better" //909; just o/ strong WCBS het 0146 9/30.
 850
 855
873
  882
                         Algeria, Algiers, probably the chanting heard here just atop low het
  891
                         Italy, Milano, good w/time pips, nx in II, then RAI ID & nx in EE; AA station underneath was probably Saudi Arabia, 0300 10/1.

England, BBC fair-good //882 0148 9/30.
  900
   918 t <u>Spain</u>, disco mx, poor, 0148 9/30.
930 <u>Canada</u>, St. John's, CJYQ, fair w/Elton John song o/adjacent European
                          hets 0149 9/30.
                          Algeria, Alger, loud w/AA chanting 0150 9/30.

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USA, New York, WINS, xlnt w/sports, ID, 0150 9/30.

Worocco, Tetouan, good w/AA mx, totally dominant, 0515 9/30.

Unid, Morocco or Algeria here w/AA mx weak 0151 9/30.
   981
   1010
    1017
                          Unid, Morocco or Algeria nere W/AA mx weak 0151 9/30.

Unid, Weak AA//1062, Sebaa-Aioun off at the time 0152 9/30.

England, BBC good w/cw mx //1089 0152 9/30.

Unid, weak AA //1044; PP & II stns not noted 0153 9/30.

Unid, male AA chant o/low growl of hets 0152 9/30.

England, BBC good w/cw mx //1053 0153 9/30, xlnt w/light pop mx, female
     1026
    1044
    1053
1062
     1080
                           ancr in EE 0335 10/1.

<u>USA</u>, St. Louis, KMOX, fair w/talk, "...skies are still clear in St. Louis, this has been KMOX news." 0313 10/1.
     1089
     1120
                            Yugoslavia, male vocal //1143 good 0155 9/30.
     1134
                            Yugoslavia, good w/mx //1134 atop AFN 0155 9/30.
W. Germany, Stuttgart, AFN, audible u/Yugoslavia, US football game
     1143
                             0155 9/30.
     1179t Sweden, good w/rock song by Dire Straits 0156 9/30.

1188 Treland, Cork, fair w/"Midnight Blue" mx pgm 0106 10/1.

1190 USA, Ft. Wayne, WOWO, fair w/bank ad, Ft. Wayne mentioned 0105 10/1.
                            USA, Philadelphia, WCAU, good w/sports talkshow 0158 9/30.
Albania, Lushnje, xint, like a local, carrier popped on & 8-note trumpet IS was sounded. Slavic-sounding talk followed 0159-0201 9/30.
      1210
      1215
                            Spain, Zaragoza, suspected w/disco 0201 9/30.
      1260 Azores, Horta local heard w/PP talk 1652 9/30.
1332t Italy, pop song "It's too late" //1449 0204 9/30. WRTH does not list operation at this time however.
      1224
      1350 France, Nice, good w/FF vocal, then FF talk atop unid stn w/apparent
Slavic talk 0205 9/30.

1368 Italy, assumed w/II group vocal 0205 9/30.

1395 Azores, Angra Do Heroismo, local hrd, PP talk (soccer results) 1727 9/30.

1404 Guinea Construction of the constru
      Azores, Angra Do Heroismo, local hrd, PP talk (soccer results) 1727 9/
1404 Guinea, Conakry, loud w/Islamic chanting, violins, drums, flutes 0340
1422 W. Germany, Saarbrucken, good w/Kaemffert inst mx 0206 9/30. 10/1.
1440 Luxembourg, Marnach, ploughing in like a local; pgm was Barry Aldiss
DJ show featuring reggae, pop/MoR & disco records, ID given along w/
freq of 1439, not 1440 0225 10/1.
1449t Italy, song "It's too Late" //1332 0206 9/30.
1503 Azores, Lajes, AFRTS, local, LSU football 0210 9/30.
1539 W. Germany, Langenberg, very good w/GG vocal 0214 9/30.
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                              W. Germany, Langenberg, WDR, very good w/GG vocal 0214 9/30.
         1593
        CANARIES LOG
        The following stations were heard from near Las Palmas on 10/4/79 1745-1845.
                                                                                                                                                                         Libya, AA talk
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657
      Morocco, AA mx
                                            Algeria, AA talk
                                     1170
      France, FF mx
711
                                      1197a Unid, AA mx, maybe Moroccan
765
      Senegal, AA mx
                                            France, FF mx
Canary Islands, local w/disco mx,
                                      1206
882
      Wales, EE rock mx
                                      1269
      Morocco, AA talk
936
      Unid, hets w/FF mx under
                                            SS talk & ads
981a
                                     1332? Italy?, cl mx
999a
      Unid, rock mx
                                            Canary Islands, local w/EE lesson
                                     1341
      Morocco/W. Germany, AA talk
1017
                                            for SS speaking people
      o/GG talk
                                     1521 Unid, AA talk
     Morocco, pop/rock mx
1044
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