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News From HQ

This issue contains the campaign statements and ballot for club officers, the Vasilopoulos Award, and the convention site. We have a good slate of candidates, including two persons running for president, and lots of well qualified people on the ballot for BoD. Be sure to exercise your rights and vote in this most democratic of clubs. I've never figured it out, but our form of government (with elected leaders) is like most other fraternal organizations I know of, but it's almost unique in the world of DX clubs! We also have four very deserving people nominated for the TVA Award and a choice of two convention sites: Topeka, KS (which would be held jointly with the NRC) and Sacramento, CA. You have until April 14 to get your ballot in, so be sure to vote.

We have a bunch of International Reply Coupons for sale again. The Post Office charges 95 cents for them. We'll let you have them for 80 cents each plus an SASE.

Karl Zuk has heard of some very preliminary, tentative plans for the use of the new portion of the AM Broadcast Band. Initially, it looks like the frequencies would be assigned to existing daytimers, who would be able to operate on their existing frequency and one of the frequencies from 1610 to 1690 kHz. All existing TIS stations would be relegated to 1700 kHz. We hope to have a more official version of the story soon.

IRCA T-Shirts

Don't forget to order your T-Shirt Doug Pifer is taking orders now. He would like to receive orders for a few more before he makes the first batch. I've seen a sample of the shirt's artwork and it looks really great. See recent DXMs for ordering instructions.

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This week's WDXF is a combination of two columns (last week's was delayed by the PO), a couple reports were held over to make room for the election statements. No EDXF, DXWWE, or DXWWW this week for the usual reason, but we have a really impressive WDXR this week.

New Members

Welcome this week to:
Thomas Haynie, Belton, SC
Ron Walling, Vienna, VA

Achievement Awards

As another reminder, the IRCA issues these attractive certificates to those who have verified reception of some number of states, provinces, countries, state capitals, stations and continents. For more details, send a SASE to our awards chairman, Bruce McFadden, 412 Harding Road, Williamsburg, NY 14221.

Volume 26 Sched

Here is the rest of the schedule for Volume 26: weekly until the April 1 issue, then April 15 and 29, May 13 and 27, June 17, July 15, and August 12. The deadline for material to reach headquarters is one week before the above dates. See the individual columns for the editors' deadlines.



NOMINEES FOR PRESIDENT

KARL ZUK

Thank you for nominating me for President of IRCA. In the past two years I have learned how the club operates, and what an important job the presidency is. I have done the best job I could to keep the club growing and improving. I have tried to be responsive to all your comments, suggestions and proposals. I am very proud of our democratic government and the wide range of opinions of our board members. This, alone, makes our club superior. The Board and I have managed to maintain membership dues without an increase, and club activities and publications continue to improve and increase revenues. I would like to use my resources, and all your help and input, to continue our club's progress. Your votes would be the finest compliment I could receive. Thank you for two years of fun and education, and happy 25th anniversary, IRCA!

JOHN CLEMMER

I accept the nomination for the position of President of IRCA. I've been active in the club for many years and currently serve as Secretary-Treasurer a position I've held for the past 3 1/2 years. The IRCA has had a very successful first 25 years - certainly challenges + problems confront us in our next few years. Attracting new members + involving more current members in the club's activities are two areas that I feel are important. The club has a great core of support + reservoir of talent. I believe I can provide the club positive leadership in which to build upon this solid foundation. I'd appreciate your support. Thank you.

NOMINEES FOR SECRETARY-TREASURER

DONALD E. ERICKSON

With 25 years membership in IRCA including service as Chairman of the first Board of Directors, early involvement with the membership committee, and a short period as publisher, I hope I am qualified to serve as Secretary-Treasurer, a position that is of great importance to the efficient operation of the club. If elected, with the help of a Kaypro IV computer and Epson FX286E printer I will strive to produce accurate, up-to-date, and useful membership address labels and maintain club records including treasurer's reports and membership lists. Your vote is solicited and will be appreciated.

NOMINEES FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RICH TOEBE

I am proud to have served as your board member during the last two terms, and hope to continue serving IRCA. A brief biography: I am 30 years old, and a member of IRCA for ten years. For the last seven years, I have been editing the Slogan's List for the Almanac (another edition is coming soon) and the updaters which appear in the Monitor. In 1986, I co-hosted the club's annual convention. In my personal life, I co-manage a small business engaged in manufacturing. IRCA is an outstanding club, and it's been enjoyable working with a lot of talented people. I ask for your vote so that I may continue.

STEVE MITTMAN

I am honored to be running for the office of Board of Directors. As the IRCA now celebrates its 25th anniversary, I, myself, just celebrated my 10th anniversary of being in the club! During these ten years I feel the club has provided me with not only a wealth of DX information, but also, via these pages, a great many friends! I love the hobby, and have contributed regularly since I first joined. As the IRCA now begins its next 25 years, I would welcome the opportunity to help serve the club on its BoD. As a personal objective, I would like to see the club continue to encourage members of all DX'ing levels of ability to contribute. Active participation from all is what keeps the club strong! I am extremely enthusiastic about BCB DX'ing, and very dedicated to the club. If elected to the Board, I would strive to serve in the best interests of the IRCA. Thank you and good DX.

RICHARD C. EVANS

I am a candidate to be a Director of IRCA since I feel that my background as a former BoD member, two term club president, and over twelve years of editing weekly columns for IRCA gives me the insight needed to help determine the direction the club should move on the issues which have unfolded over the past couple of years. I agree with those who feel that the club needs to change over the years to meet new needs and to attract new members to the club. I also feel some of these battles have been fought before and that what I have seen and heard as a member of this club since 1965 will help guide me in decisions. Your comments on club issues are always welcomed.

ROBERT WIEN

Thank you for nominating me for the Board of Directors. Being an IRCA member now for almost thirteen years, I have gotten a good feel of what the club is all about, and also what the club needs. The IRCA membership is very knowledgeable and willing to help any new members out to learn and enjoy our great hobby. If I'm elected, I'll try and keep up the fine record of leadership and achievement that our Board of Directors and club leadership has prided itself upon. My mailbox will always be open for suggestions and opinions about club operations. I am currently frequency check list editor, and correspond with many members, so I've had the opportunity to get to know many of our members. I'll simply do the best job I can. Thank you.

DALE PARK

On behalf of my fellow members I accept the nomination to the Board of Directors. I am 27 years old and, after several years of college I am currently a radio station intern. I have been a mediumwave DXer since 1979 and an IRCA member since December 1982. I am also the "IRCA SportsCentre" columnist. Although the IRCA is 25 years old, interest in medium wave listening, whether by DXers or program fans, is on the decline. I believe that publicizing the IRCA and the hobby will help to slow down and reverse that trend. A better relationship with the broadcasting industry would also be beneficial. Remember that without radio broadcasters, there would be no IRCA. Thank you very much, and onward to another 25 years.

MIKE BROOKER

I am pleased to accept the nomination for IRCA Board of Directors. I have been an active DXer since 1973 and an IRCA member since 1977. I edit a BCB/FM column for CIBX, "Time Out", featuring sports news and format changes. My DX interests include BCB, SWBC, clandestine/pirate stations, and listening to sports on the clear channels. I attended the 1988 ANARC Convention in Irvine, CA and was pleased to see that ANARC is finally beginning to pay more than lip service to DXers and DX clubs beyond the shortwave bands. I would like to see ANARC continue to recognize that SWBC is not the "only" or the "purest" form of DX. In its quarter century of existence, IRCA has earned its reputation as the #1 BCB DX club and the most democratic of all radio clubs. IRCA must maintain its commitment to democracy and openness in the 1990's. This club must not be allowed to degenerate into a pompous clique, or a mouthpiece of the religious right wing. IRCA is your club and your vote for BoD does count.

GLEN KIPPEL

It is an honor to be nominated for Board of Directors. I believe in the saying, "if it ain't broke, don't fix it." I think the IRCA is a fine club and I don't want to propose massive changes. However we do need to be willing to change to accommodate changes in the DXing environment in the future. Since the IRCA is a democratically-run club, we are here to serve the needs of the membership. If I were elected to the Board of Directors, I would carefully consider every idea presented to me. I don't believe there is such a thing as a "bad idea". How can the club serve your needs better? I would appreciate your vote for me to be on the Board of Directors.

PATRICK MARTIN

I am very pleased to accept the nomination for the Board of Directors and I would like to thank whoever it was who nominated me. I have been very happy to serve on the Board the past two terms and to help serve the IRCA and its members. For newer members who do not know me, I have been a DXer since 1962 and an avid QSLer since 1965. I first joined IRCA in 1968 and have been the editor for DX Worldwide West since 1980. I will be very happy to have your vote for the Board of Directors. Thank you.

JAMES R. HALL

It's an honor to have received a nomination once again for a post on IPCA's Board of Directors, for which I am prepared to accept responsibility as a director if elected. In the tradition of a democratic IRCA I would ensure that all matters brought before the Board or to my attention as a Director on the Board be treated promptly and accordingly, and especially with the fairness that has distinguished the IRCA as an organization run by and for the members. I have enjoyed editing DX Worldwide-East for the last five years as well as writing several articles for IPCA and the Almanac and would look forward to additional service on the BoD. My thanks in advance to those of you in IRCA who have supported me with their vote.

ERNEST COOPER

"When things run smoothly, as they have for the past several years, it is amazing what can be accomplished. The IRCA has come a long way, and it has been exciting and pleasurable to have been a tiny part of it. Harmony and common sense have played as much a part in our rise to #1 status as have the DX accomplishments of our members, and the heroic work of our publishers and editors. I would like to serve on the Board of Directors for another term, and do my bit to keep things humming. As DXing becomes more difficult due to the literally thousands of all-nighters, the DX Monitor keeps getting better and better! I'd like to see more participation by some of till-now silent members, which would improve the Monitor even more. What say, IRCans, we can do it! So, to whomever nominated me, thank you, and I promise to use my best discretion on all matters that may come before the Board of Directors. Everyone vote."

JOHN C. JOHNSON

It is an honor to be nominated for another term on the Board of Directors. If re-elected you can be sure I'd continue to serve you with the same dedication. I am an active DXer, Charter member of the IRCA and edit the CDXR column. I am into my seventeenth year as a Master Control Operator at KTVQ, Channel 2, here in Billings. I was recently re-elected as President of the condo association of which I am a home owner. Your vote is appreciated.

RIC HEALD

Thanks to whomever submitted my name for re-election to the Board of Directors. The last two years have seen IRCA sail a smooth and steady course. While postage rates have increased, dues have not, and I pledge to do whatever possible to see that there will be no dues increase in the next two years. As always, I offer an open door policy, open to any and all ideas from the membership to improve the greatest BCB club in North America. I have been your WDXF editor 14 years, and have a heavy investment in IRCA. I am also planning to bring the second IRCA convention ('76 San Francisco) to Sacramento this year. When you receive your ballot please vote, and check my name for the Board of Directors. Thank you.

BRUCE PORTZER

I accept the nomination for Board of Directors. As a brief introduction, I'm the current editor-in-chief of DX Monitor. I've also been President, DX Worldwide editor, and a convention host, so I have a fairly good understanding of how the club operates. In real life, I'm 37 years old, married with one child, and work for a consulting firm as a communications engineer. I believe we are, first and foremost, a broadcast band DX club (as opposed to radio groupies or some other such thing). Some people seem to think the BCB DX hobby is dying out. I strongly disagree. The dial may be more crowded than it once was, and the DX may be harder to find, but it is there for the listening. We need to continue to emphasize and promote the hobby as best we can through DX Monitor, other club publications, and personal contact. The hobby is what we in IRCA choose to make it. By picking leaders who can make this a better club, we in turn can make this a better hobby (or vice versa). 73

SHAWN AXELROD

I would like to thank the person or persons who nominated me for a position on the Board of Directors. As I am fairly new to this club I will give a brief introduction to myself. I am 35 years old and employed at the provincial Hydro Electric Co. I have been married for fifteen years and have two children. I have been a DX'er since 1971. At the present time I am an editor at CIBX and the president of the Association of Manitoba DX'ers, a local DX club. I feel that I could make a valuable contribution to the club if elected to the B.O.D. I feel that it would be a good idea to have at least one representative from Canada on the Board to give the club a different point of view. I hope that I can be of assistance in what ever way the Board and most importantly the membership see fit. Thank you for your support.

NIEL L. WOLFISH

For those not familiar with me, I served on the IRCA's Board of Directors for three consecutive terms from 1981 to 1987. In this day of diminishing bulletin support I think some important issues need to be addressed by IRCA's next Board of Directors: (1) Is there really a need for weekly bulletins in the winter? How much timely information would actually be missed if thicker and less frequent bulletins were published? Most Canadian members already receive two bulletins every two weeks, assuming the post office is cooperating. (2) Why does Nancy Hardy edit two completely different columns in NPC and IPCA each week when one for both clubs would suffice? (3) Is there any reason why IRCA's DX Forum is incessantly used as a soap box for people who need to complain about NPC's DX News? And finally, (4) is there really a need for two BCB/Medium Wave Clubs in 1989? Maybe it is time to finally bury the hatchet? It's your club's future! Don't forget to vote this year.

FLOYD PERRY, JR.

I like to thank the person or persons who nominated me for the Board of Directors. Though I have only been a member of IRCA since 1987, I am also a past member (in the late 70's and briefly in the early 80's). I have DX'ed BCB for quite a while (about 15 years to be precise). I have sent reports to WDXR and many, many forums to WDXF (just ask R.H. hi). I am also currently the IRCA Goodie Factory Manager. I believe, if elected to the Board, that I will do a good job. I think IRCA can be one of the best, if not the best, organization in the world. I know I am not Ernest Cooper, Bruce Portzer or even Ric Heald. I know I will do a good job, and I hope everyone else will. If elected to the Board, I plan to help promote IRCA to get new members. I would really appreciate your vote. Please vote for me. 73 de FPJ

ALBERT S. LOBEL

I have been nominated for the IRCA Board of Directors. Most of you are aware that I have been IRCA's ANARC Representative for the past two years. I will continue in that capacity and now wish to serve on the IRCA Board. I feel I can do a much better job as IRCA's ANARC Rep. if I am also on the IRCA Board. If elected I will serve in the best of my ability and always be in the best interests of IRCA. I will always vote on IRCA matters the way the membership wants. I will poll the Membership on all important matters. I have been an IRCA Member for 20 years. I am first a BCB DX'er, then a shortwave listener. IRCA is a great club. I hope to keep it that way. VOTE FOR ALBERT S. LOBEL FOR IRCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS!

GEOV LEAL PARRISH

I'm flattered to have been nominated, and hope my experience and interests will be valuable additions to the Board. I have been in IRCA since 1975 (about half my life!), DXed from a number of locations in the US and Canada, and edit BI. Surrounded by TVI, I've not DXed actively in about a year, but MW DX has been and remains my first radio interest. Most useful for the Board would be the experiences of the rest of my life. I've edited columns and published bulletins for the last 12 years (my only column now is BI). Through DX I came to work professionally in radio for a dozen years; and (through non-profit radio) now do organizing and fundraising for non-profit community groups for a living. IRCA has now the most useful and informative MW DX publications anywhere; as a Board member I would hope to provide the perspective to keep and improve that quality and work, actively promote MW DX, and see that DX'ers & IRCA reach the wider audience they deserve. Thanks for your support.

JIM HILLIKER

I gladly accept my nomination for a spot on the Board of Directors of the IRCA. I truly believe that the club is being run better than ever today, and with the great interest and participation in the club the past few years, I feel that the club's future will continue to look bright. If elected, I will do my best to represent you on the Board and hopefully keep the IRCA the best AM DX club around. I've been a member for 6 1/2 years, have been an AM DXer off and on for 20 some years and continue to keep up with the changes in our hobby. As AM DXing and the AM radio business changes, it's important for the club to keep pace with these changes and have something for every member, whatever their hobby interest is. The leadership of IRCA is its foundation, so let's keep it strong by voting for the people you believe are most qualified. Thank you.

CONVENTION SITE

Sacramento, California

convention bid submitted by Ric Heald & Floyd Perry

Set aside the Forth of July weekend, beginning with the evening of June 30, for a fantastic 25th anniversary convention. The convention will be held at the Best Western Heritage Inn in Rancho Cordova, with great rates, huge rooms and plenty of amenities. There is a restaurant and bar on premises, plus several other eateries and two shopping malls nearby. Rates are \$48 single, \$52 double, or \$6 more for rooms with King size bed, whirlpool, refrigerator, and wet bar. Besides the pool, there's a spa and sauna. For those flying, Sacramento is served by United, American, Delta, and USAir, or you can fly to San Francisco, rent a car, and be here in a couple hours. A Monday morning Beverage antenna session is planned, along with banquet, a tour of tower sites and stations, and guest speakers from local radio stations. Sacramento is the state capital and a few hours' drive from the San Francisco area, Reno/Tahoe, and the Sierras, so you can arrange a unforgettable vacation around the convention. This will be our Silver Anniversary convention, a time to celebrate our achievements and share our goals as a club. What better way to celebrate than to hold our convention in the state with the largest number of IRCA members. We look forward to seeing you in Sacramento June 30-July 3.

Topeka, Kansas

convention bid submitted by Paul Swearingen

Plan now to make Topeka DXCon '89, September 1-4, part of your summer vacation package for yourself and your family. Prices are right: One room at the downtown Ramada Inn, single or multiple occupancy, will cost under \$40; the traditional Saturday-evening banquet will feature a selection of meats at under \$14 per person; and many events will take place in Topeka that weekend for the enjoyment of you and your family, including the famous Railroad Days celebration. Just a few blocks away from the convention site is Topeka's downtown area, including the capitol building and many fascinating shops. Scheduled at the convention itself are all of the traditional events, including the auction, and a local antique dealer has been invited to bring her display of antique radios. Also, local radio personages will be invited to mingle with convention-goers. Access is easy: the Ramada Inn overlooks I-70; both the bus station and the railway station are within walking distance, and both Kansas City International and Topeka's Forbes Field will have shuttle transportation available. It promises to be a fun-filled weekend in the heart of Kansas ... and I would appreciate your vote for Topeka DXCon '89.

TED VASILOPOULOS AWARD

The following persons have been nominated for the TVA Award:

Ernest R. Cooper: for decades of service to the hobby, especially for regular contributions to DXM and serving on the IRCA Board of Directors.

Jim Hall: for excellence in editing DX Worldwide East, and for writing several well-researched articles on foreign DXing.

John Johnson: for setting high standards as Central DX Roundup editor.

Geov Parrish: for compiling and editing the Broadcasting Information column.



Eastern Dx Roundup

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DEADLINES:

SATURDAY'S

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(LH-AL) Lynn Hollerman
1237 Willowbrook Dr., Apt 5
Huntsville, AL - 35802
DX'ing on a Toyota car radio
(WD-ON) William Dulmage
R.R. #3
Colborne, Ontario
KOK 150 Canada
GE Superadio w/built-in antenna
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560 WFRB MD, FROSTBURG 2/5/89 1704 in good enough for ID then
gone; o/u CFOS. (WD-ON)
560 CJKL ON, KIRKLAND LAKE 2/8/89 1925 AC mx, IDs, mixed w/CFOS and
WGAN. (WD-ON)
670 WIEZ PA, LEWISTON 2/12/89 1708 VERY POOR w/CFTR, slop and jx.
(WD-ON)
680 WRKO MA, BOSTON 2/12/89 1648 Talk show, Jx = "WRKO Boston",
tough to hear w/CFTR. (WD-ON)
690 WAPE FL, JACKSONVILLE 2/4/89 1801 CHR w/DJ Doug Hudson; ID =
"WAPE FM & AM, Jacksonville," w/CBF & WVOK and CFTR slop.
(WD-ON)
690 WVOK AL, BIRMINGHAM 2/4/89 1803 ID & gone; mixed w/CBR & WAPE
w/CFTR slop. (WD-ON)
720 WWII PA, SHIREMANSTOWN 2/5/89 1639 ID = "The only station
you'll ever need, 7-20 AM stereo W-W-Two." (WD-ON)
730 WPAL SC, CHARLESTON 2/4/89 1759 ID only & gone: "Now hear the
difference. This is WPAL Charleston." (WD-ON)
730 WACE MA, SPRINGFIELD 2/5/89 1633 ID only, then gone. VERY
POOR. (WD-ON)
730 WPIT PA, PITTSBURGH 2/12/89 1758 only caught the s/off with "73
WPIT" ID. (WD-ON)
870 WPRQ TN, COLONIAL HEIGHTS 2/12/89 1737 ID & gone. VERY POOR.
(WD-ON)
890 WFKJ PA, CASHTOWN 2/12/89/1728 ID = "You're listening to 890
Radio, WFKJ, Cashtown, Pa." (WD-ON)
920 KDHL MN, FARIBAULT 2/9/89 2049 ID during PBP sports; mixed with
CBO, WHJJ, CKCY & WMMN. (WD-ON)
960 CIAM ON, CAMBRIDGE 2/8/89 2002 CHR "AM 96" IDs; o/u CFFX &
WFIR. (WD-ON)
960 CHNS NS, HALIFAX 2/9/89 2120 AC mx; IDs as "96 CHNS"; o/u CFFX
& WFIR. (WD-ON)
980 CFPL ON, LONDON 2/6/89 2320 AC/Oldies; "Radio 98" IDs; mixed
w/CHEX & WWRC. (WD-ON)
980 WTRY NY, TROY 2/8/89 2036 ID "98 WTRY" under CHEX/CFPL/ &
CKGM. (WD-ON)
980 CKGM PQ, MONTREAL 2/9/89 2220 ID, AC/Oldies with QRM from CHEX,
CFPL & WTRY. (WD-ON)
1040 WSKE PA, EVERETT 2/4/89 1515 VERY POOR w/IDs and CHUM slop.
(WD-ON)
1050 WEVD NY, NYC 2/3/89 220 "This is WEVD, NY's Greater 10-50";
last week this was still WUKQ. (WD-ON)
1070 WDIA TN, MEMPHIS 2/9/89 1838-1846 Promo for "WDIA's Any Number
Can Win" contest, IDs, soul mx; FAIR. (LH-AL)
1160 WYNS PA, LEHIGHTON 2/7/89 2140 "Live from the 60s" promo w/ID =
"1160 WYNS." (WD-ON)
1190 WANN MD, ANNAPOLIS 2/4/89 1540 Weather, ID & gone. Under
CJMR. (WD-ON)
1220 WFAX VA, FALLS CHURCH 2/4/89 1555 ID only, then gone; o/u CHSC,
WGAR & WXRA. (WD-ON)

1230 WENY NY, ELMIRA 2/12/89 1401 IDs; nulled out WEZE. (WD-ON)
 1260 WRDZ OH, CLEVELAND 2/9/89 2209 IDs u/WHHZ, WNDR & WEZE. (WD-ON)
 1290 CJBK ON, LONDON 2/6/89 2015 AC, ID = "Lite rock, Less Talk, 1290, CJBK," o/u WNBK, WHIO and WFBG. (WD-ON)
 1330 WNYM NY, NYC 2/6/89 2255 ID at ToH; mixed w/WHOT & WSPQ. (WD-ON)
 1330 WTRX MI, FLINT 2/6/89 2259 ID u/WHOT, WSPQ & WNYM. (WD-ON)
 1370 WFEA NY, MANCHESTER 2/8/89 2145 ID u/WXXI & WSPD. (WD-ON)
 1390 WHMA AL, ANNISTON 2/9/89 1832-1836 Nx by local reporters, ID, wx forecast, into "Slow Dancin'." Signal GOOD-FAIR; not heard here before. (LH-AL)
 1400 WRAK PA, WILLIAMSPORT 2/6/89 2002 ID then gone. (WD-ON)
 1400 WICK PA, SCRANTON 2/13/89 1929 Promo for "WICK Wedding _ _ _?" then gone. (WD-ON)
 1400 WKAV VA, CHARLOTTESVILLE 2/13/89 1934 Promo "Join us weekday mornings for ??, right here on WKAV." (WD-ON)
 1410 CKSL ON, LONDON 2/6/89 2227 CHR, jx and gone; o/u WNCQ. (WD-ON)
 1410 WPOP CT, HARTFORD 2/13/89 1857 News, talk, IDs, mixed w/KQV and WNCQ. (WD-ON)
 1410 KQV PA, PITTSBURGH 2/13/89 1859 News, talk, IDs mixed w/WPOP and WNCQ. (WD-ON)
 1440 WFTQ MA, WORCESTER 2/13/89 0027 weather, ID = "14 WFTQ." (WD-ON)
 1450 WILM DE, WILMINGTON 2/15/89 2258 ID = "...all through the weekend on 1450 WILM Newsradio;" CBS nx; nulled local CHUC. (WD-ON)
 1450 WCTC NJ, NEW BRUNSWICK 2/15/89 2306 ID = "1450 WCTC New Brunswick;" Talknet promo; nulled local CHUC. (WD-ON)
 1470 WKMF MI, FLINT 2/12/89 0044 ID = "1470 WKMF" under CHOW and WOHO. (WD-ON)
 1470 WXXW PA, ALLENTOWN 2/12/89 0049 ID = "1470 WXXW" under CHOW and WOHO. (WD-ON)
 1490 WGCH CT, GREENWICH 2/6/89 1919 Quick ID and then gone; promo as "Classic Radio." (WD-ON)

TENTATIVES

0940 WCPC MS, HOUSTON TENTATIVE 2/9/89 1849-1856 Ads mentioning (t) Calhoun City, Bruce (??? rb), and Grenada. Mx by black/f @ 1853, more ads, into "Killing Me Softly." Local-like signal. (LH-AL)

COMMENTS

Thanks to this week's reporters and welcome to Bill Dulmage of Colborne, Ontario. These were his 1st loggings in over 10 years...he's just rejoined the club. He claims this DX season in Canada has plenty of "dead" days and believe me when I say that Mike Brooker will agree with him. DX is slacking off a bit...not too many loggings this time around. I hope to have more in the next column. REMEMBER to contribute to the 25th Anniversary issue of DX Monitor!! We'd all like to see a humongous (look the word up-hi) issue! Till next time, continued good DX de Mr. B.

FCC Denies New License For a Small Radio Station

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter
 WASHINGTON—The Federal Communications Commission, at a closed meeting, denied Henry Serafin's application to renew the license for WBUZ, the only AM radio station in Fredonia, N.Y., marking the first revocation since 1961 on ground of character.

The FCC cited lying to the commission on a wide range of matters, racial bias in hiring, and a contest in which WBUZ kept the grand prize—a stereo receiver and tape unit—for its own use.

Mr. Serafin, sole owner of the tiny station in western New York, denied any wrongdoing and said he intends to appeal the decision. WBUZ will remain on the air during the appeals process.

An administrative law judge and a few board found Mr. Serafin unfit to be a licensee nearly two years ago. The station's license was challenged in 1981 by three local groups that have been represented by Media Access Project, a public-interest law firm in Washington.

According to testimony in the case, Mr. Serafin had told the local office of the Comprehensive Employment and Training Administration that a black woman sent to apply for a secretarial job "would make charcoal look white," and then he said, "Don't you have any white girls to send me?"

The FCC said the case was complicated but "the pattern of deliberate misrepresentations" was "sufficient grounds for denying renewal." The bias issue and contest violations, it said, "only reinforced the conclusion" that Mr. Serafin was unqualified.

Wall Street Journal 2/23/89

via John Johnson



A diagram of a vertical container with a piston and a spring. A line points to the piston.

880 KIKR TX Conroe, 1/30 good. 1832-1848 w/C&W, Paul Harvey, spot for Autumn Hill Convalescent in Conroe. [RD-IA]

920 KQLO NV Reno, 2/18 good. 2000 w/NBC News, Sun Network "Sports Digest". Spots for Reno businesses. [JC-SK]

930 WSLI MS Jackson, 2/11 good. 1905 out of SNN news w/ID "Superstar Country WSLI Jackson." [RD-IA]

940 WMIX IL Mount Vernon, 2/13 fair in KIOA null. 0119 w/Best Of King. 0130 ID at network break. [RD-IA]

960 WSBT IN South Bend, 1/30 weak in slight KMA null. 2255 w/Iowa vs Indiana basketball (\\WIRE). Good opening into IL and IN tonight. [RD-IA]

990 WYAT LA New Orleans, 2/6 fair. 0344-0350 w/rock oldies, ID. New for me, New Orleans #6. [RD-IA]

1020 WJEP GA Ochlocknee, 2/8 weak in KDKA null, in clear following WCIL sign off. 1830 with sign off. [RD-IA]

WRIX SC Homeland Park, 2/8 fair. 0716 w/sign on. "This is WRIX Homeland Park, Anderson, South Carolina bringing you another day of inspirational broadcasting." SC#1, State #38. [RD-IA]

1030 WJKZ TN White Bluff, 2/13 good. 0035-0038 w/C&W. ID "Tennessee's best 10-30 KZ Country." Spot for Fairview Chiropractic. An obvious recent call change that I somehow missed. [RD-IA]

1060 KRSP UT South Salt Lake City, 2/10 fair in WNOE null. 1951 w/promo for a Saturday morning show "right here on Utah's oldies, KRSP." New for me, UT#5. [RD-IA]

WCFB MS Tupelo, 2/6 fair. 0705 w/Union County school closings. [RD-IA]

WHFB MI Benton Harbor, 2/6 fair. 0711 with promo for weathercast "on AM 10-60 WHFB." C&W music. [RD-IA]

WMCL IL McLeansboro, 2/1 fair. 1810 with spots for Hamilton County Implement and a local furniture store. [RD-IA]

1090 KVDB IA Sioux Center, 2/11 poor in CHEC null. 0807 w/"KVDB", weather for area then spots. New for me, IA#49. [SA-MB]

1140 WSAO MS Senatobia, 2/11 good. 0725 with ID "Your station for Christian music, WSAO." Must have missed this format change. [RD-IA]

1160 KFHM TX San Antonio, 2/4 way o/R. Taino. 2100 with EE ID "san Antonio's 10,000 watt megastation." Then SS ID "Kah-effay-abchah-emmay." New for me, San Antonio #7. [RD-IA]

1170 WWVA VA Wheeling, 2/6 very good in KVOO null. 0717 with PSA "Keep West Virginia's highways clean." WV#1, State #36. [RD-IA]

1180 WJNT MS Pearl, 2/6 fair, KKAR off. 0450 w/TalkNet. [RD-IA]

1190 KHAD MO DeSoto, 2/3 fair in KKOJ null. 1844 w/weather, sign off. [RD-IA]

1220 WSLM IN Salem, 2/6 atop briefly. 0634 w/end of a tradio-type show (but who's buying and selling at this hour?), then ID: "Radio 12-20, WSLM." [RD-IA]

[JCJ: Cable's CUN and QVC run 24 hours; what a country! John.]

1230 WCUZ MI Grand Rapids, 2/11 poor. 0506 w/weather for Grand Rapids, ID as "WCUZ 12-30 and PM 101.3" into C&W music. [SA-MB]

1300 KMPS WA Seattle, 2/22 good, no CJME, KVOR. 0415 w/C&W music. ID "12 in-a-row, KMPS. The only station in the Great Northwest playing back to back country favorites, 94 Country KMPS." Not needed, just very rare here. [JcJ-MT]

1310 KGMT NE Fairbury, 1/24 fair u/KDLS. 1255-1259 w/rock music, ID, Paul Harvey. Was one of my closest unheards. [RD-IA]

1350 WGAD AL Gadsden, 2/11 good. 1818 w/rock, ID, spot for a hot tub and spa business in Gadsden. AL#8. [RD-IA]

1360 KFFA AR Helena, 1/22 good in KSCJ null. 2121-2125 with C&W. Promo for "Radio Bingo each Thursday night from 8 to 10 on KFFA and KCRI-FM." [RD-IA]

KLYR AR Clarksville, 2/13 fair. 0701 with sign on. [RD-IA]

KMRN MO Cameron, 2/13 good. 1837 w/weather, Paul Harvey, spot for Farmers State Bank in Cameron. [RD-IA]

KRYS TX Corpus Christi, 1/23 good. 0131-0135 w/"K-99" and "The Pride Of South Texas." C&W format. [RD-IA]

1370 KOKE TX Austin, 2/1 good. 1848 with ID "This is KOKE your station for beautiful music." [RD-IA]

1380 WNLA MS Indianola, 1/22 fair. 2143 w/ID "In 25 years we've grown with you WNLA." Song by Byrds. Not bad for 44 watts! [RD-IA]

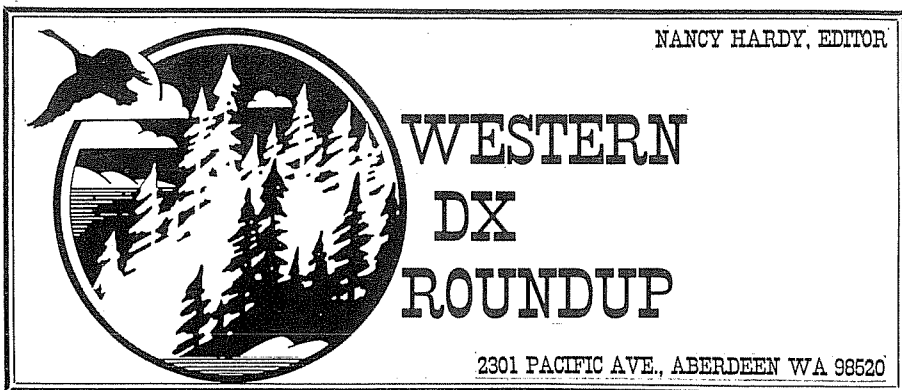
1390 KDZR CO Denver, 1/23 fair. 1830 w/weather, TC. Denver #6. [RD-IA]

1400 KCOW NE Alliance, 2/27 good in GY mess. 0312 fade up with very complete weather forecast, then 0314 said "KCOW, Alliance now leaves the air." Vocal SSB and off at 0316. Rare here. [JcJ-MT]

KDRG MT Deer Lodge, 2/21 fair. 0634 w/C&W, numerous "KDRG" IDs. [SA-MB]

KXGN MT Glendive, 2/14 good. 1958 w/oldies music, ID "Amazing AM 14, KXGN Glendive, Montana." [SA-MB]

1410 KGRN IA Grinnell, 2/12 fair. 1845 w/sign off, SSB. IA#56. [RD-IA]



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OF SPECIAL INTEREST:

- 1400 KZTR CA, Santa Paula Wed. 2/8 1407 call change, ex-KCZN. Now // with KZTR-FM 95.9. Format is classic AOR (Pink Floyd, etc). All IDs are "96 ZTR" & "Rock classics 96 ZTR." Live legal IDs as: "We are KZTR, Santa Paula and KZTR-FM, Camarillo--1400 AM and 95.9 FM--Rock classics 96 ZTR." Call used to stand for "K-Star," though that wasn't heard during this reception, and is probably no longer used. (SMM-CA)
- +2/20 0343 ex-KCZN. Good in KBLX null with ID "Dennis, in Camarillo, this is for you, from 96, ZTR." Simulcast with FM. Legal ID on hour, song "You Got It" by Roy Orbison. (RW-CA)
- 1510 KPNN AZ, Mesa 2/12 2014 good with BRN program about venture capital and business management. Slogan "Financial News Radio 15-10 AM." Ex-KJAA. (TRH-CA)

- 530 WNHI810 CA, Simi Valley 2/16 1300 TIS station broadcasting a 4 min. loop tape with messages on earthquake preparedness, drinking & driving, and gas, food and lodging locations. Gave ID ment. HQ at Simi Valley Police Dept. Loud over L.A. & Burbank airports. (MS-CA)
- 570 KISN UT, Salt Lake City 2/13 1951 rock music, "KISN-97" IDs. (NP-AB)
- 580 KFXD ID, Nampa-Boise 2/17 2150 SS with Latin music. Thought I had a good catch until I heard an ID on the hour! (NP-AB)
- WIBW KS, Topeka 2/19 2239 fair with KMJ with post-game show for KSU-Wichita SU BKB game. Local ads, IDs, and "Radio 58" slogan. Best of King later. New, KS #11. (TRH-CA1)
- CKXR BC, Salmon Arm 2/20 0341 xInt & steady signal in KMJ null with ID "You're on the R Country Network, CKGR-1400 in Golden, CKCR-1340 in Revelstoke,...(etc)," weather for BC. C&W music. Which way do these guys put their nighttime power? (RW-CA)
- CKY MB, Winnipeg 2/15 2006 Jets hockey broadcast. (NP-AB)

590 KSUB UT, Cedar City MM 1/16 0408-0500 fair with mix of oldies and AdCon, SNM News at 0423, ID 0500: "Winner of the Utah State Broadcasters award for local news coverage, KSUB Cedar City." Format change from C&W. Rare here due to KKLQ-600. (TRH-CA)

600 KNYO CA, Independence 2/20 0948 very good way over KKLQ-KHTE with easy rock format. ID "AM 600, KNYO," weather for Independence, another ID "33 degrees at AM 600, KNYO." Gone by 0956. Call change, ex-KESR. (RW-CA)

(KKLQ) CA, San Diego MM 1/16 0407 totally off, leaving unID Talknet. (TRH-CA)

CHRX BC, Vancouver 2/20 0220 very poor under KKLQ with ID and Led Zep. music. My 2nd station on 600! (DP-CA)

610 KFRC CA, San Francisco 2/19 0125 Jim Bohannon Show, ID as "Magic 61." (NP-AB)

650 WSM TN, Nashville 2/19 0241-0325 better than usual lately, especially tonight with XETNT off. "Nashville Network Radio" seems to cue up a lot more local IDs than the old "Music Country" service did. Has been quite rare since XETNT got stronger a couple of years ago. (TRH-CA)

KUUY WY, Orchard Valley 2/19 0300-0325 fair with WSM. NBC News, C&W music, IDs. Killed by XETNT return to the air at 0325. This one was easier on 870. (TRH-CA)

CKOM SK, Saskatoon 2/19 0300 fair under WSM with megapest XETNT off. Male DJ, "65 CKOM" IDs, congratulated contest winner. Soon lost to KUUY/WSM mix. Very rare here. (TRH-CA)

730 KKDA TX, Grand Prairie MM 2/20 0219 great signal, level with XEX. Male DJ "Rockin' Robin" with R&B/Motown oldies & requests, lots of IDs, promo for Wed. night dance contest, slogans "Soul 73, not the same songs over & over!" Still in well at 0345 recheck. Night power 10 watts! New, TX #42. (TRH-CA1)

740 KMEO AZ, Phoenix 2/19 0240 elevator-type music until an ID on the hour. KCBS off. (NP-AB)

KBRT CA, Avalon 2/19 1823 ads for KBRT programming, relig. talks, fair under CBX. (NP-AB)

750 KOAL UT, Price 2/21 0710 creaming KXL with local news & ads. Usually not this strong. (bp-WA)

760 (KFMB) CA, San Diego MM 1/30 0325 off, leaving KSJL with SMN Z-Rock. (TRH-CA)

810 KMIK NM, Santa Fe 2/12 0818-0900 good, best signal ever here with classical & instrumental music (//KLSK-FM 104), lots of dual AM/FM IDs by man, "K-Mike AM 81" slogans, lots of ads for local ski & tourist-related businesses. Moderate interference from KGO & XERSV. (TRH-CA)

840 KVEG NV, North Las Vegas Th 2/9 1304 a midday regular on TRF, but finally hrd midday on car radio with "Cat's in the Cradle," then, "It's 10:05 on your Superstation." Ground conductivity up due to rain. Very poor and QRM from KFI-640/KWIZ-1480 cross-modulation (1480-640=840). (SMM-CA)

(KVEG)+MM 1/16 0500, Tu 1/17 0500 totally off (NSP most weeks). (TRH-CA)

870 (WWL) LA, New Orleans 2/18 0410 off due to trouble at their xmtr site (exact nature unknown). KRVN-880 told "Road Gang" listeners about it. Callers to KRVN said WWL was just putting out a noisy OC. Noted back on 1 or 2 nights later. (TRH-CA)

890 CJDC BC, Dawson Creek 2/20 0600 poor to good. ID, news, weather, spots, taking dedications. Only WLS & SS way under. (DP-CA)

930 (KRTH) CA, Los Angeles MM 1/30 0330 off, leaving unID Talknet (possibly needed KAGI). (TRH-CA)

WKY OK, Oklahoma City MM 2/20 fair with KRTH. News, a clear ID, into C&W music. Rare. (TRH-CA1)

940 (KFRE) CA, Fresno 2/20 0337-0742 totally off. Back on RS 0742. KIOA/CJIB/KIXZ weak mix. (RW-CA)

960 KOOL AZ, Phoenix is the apparent originating station for a new satellite-delivered oldies format known as "Cool Gold." All TC's are just "...minutes after the hour," etc. Noted KYNO-1300 (see below) on $\frac{1}{2}$ -second delay behind KOOL. (SMM-CA) (Steve, see 12/24/88 Broadcasting Info.--NH)

970 KBBK ID, Rupert 2/21 0719 atop with string of ads for Burley & Rupert, then lost under unID class. music station. (bp-WA) (Bruce, KYTE is now classical. Modesto has dropped classical for oldies.--NH)

990 (KTKT) AZ, Tucson MM 2/13 0440 not a sign of them. Does anyone know if this station is off the air? (TRH-CA)

990 (KKIS) CA, Pittsburg MM 2/13 0440 off. (TRH-CA)
 KBBQ CA, Santa Barbara Th 2/23 1455 good midday on TRF with KFVB-980 slop nulled with C&W music. No legal ID at 1500. Jingle at 1508: "Stereo 990--KBBQ!" Legal SID at 1557. Also, poor stereo reception on car rx under KFVB slop. Ex-KBLS for me. (SMM-CA)

(KBBQ)+MM 2/13 0440 off. Regular SP? (TRH-CA)

KRKS CO, Denver MM 2/13 0443-0630 and subsequent nights with contemp. Christian music, local ads, and promos for syndicated relig. programs airing during the day. Never a trace of them before. New, CO #29. (TRH-CA)

KGTM TX, Wichita Falls MM 2/13 0446-0516 poor mixing with KRKS. Best of King, Mutual News, ID as "AM Stereo 9-90, KGTM." New, TX #41, station #8001 (TRH-CA)

1010 KIQI CA, San Francisco 2/20 1006 good level in SS with plenty of Bay Area spots. (DL-HI)

1020 (KTNQ) CA, Los Angeles 2/1 0530, 2/2 0602 off, leaving only KCKN this time. (TRH-CA)

1030 (KKSA) CA, Folsom-Sacramento now silent. It may be sold to Tribune Broadcasting who currently owns local KGNR-1320. According to the local TV news, Tribune has expressed an interest in the property, but not certain. I'll keep everyone up to date. (FPJ)

KJJD CA, San Luis Obispo 2/20 1010 local news and "1030 news radio time, 7:10" TC. Weak to fair and losing it rapidly. Is this an all-news operation? (DL-HI)

KBUF KS, Holcomb 2/19 1906 enormous signal with IDs, Talknet. Sounded like a 50kw clear. (TRH-CA1)

1060 KYW PA, Philadelphia MM 2/20 0315-0330 unbelievably good signal. Lengthy sports report by woman named Susan, weather, news, lots of IDs. Incredible! New, PA #2. (TRH-CA1)

1100 KVEE CO, Grand Junction 2/19 2052 alone on freq. KFAX who? hi. (TRH-CA1)

1110 KRLA CA, Pasadena 1/30 1618 heard quite unusual "patter" from DJ Johnny Hayes: "Back in 1965, KFVB didn't have the smarts to play this song--and we did. And KRLA played it a lot!" Into "Mr. Tambourine Man." (SMM-CA)

KRCX CA, Roseville 2/13 1803 news, "Radio Capital" IDs. (NP-AB)
 +2/14 0545 SS "musica," jingles and "Rahdio Capeetal" IDs o/u KRLA. (DL-HI)

1130 KRDU CA, Dinuba 2/14 0615 besting CKWX much of the time with canned relig. programming and IDs on the half hour. CA #100. (DL-HI)

1150 KSAL KS, Salina 2/19 1927 BKB game between Wichita State & Kansas State. (NP-AB)

1170 KPUG WA, Bellingham 2/14 1751 "Solid Gold KPUG" ID. (NP-AB)

1180 KERI CA, Bakersfield 2/14 0030 strong, noted using slogan "The 50,000 watt voice of the valley," so CP must be on. Booms in at SSS. (TRH-CA)

1210 KASY WA, Auburn 2/18 0415 & 2/19 0500 noted on RS with AdCon music, DJ said "I'm...on the allnighter." Bye bye midnight s/off. (bp)

1220 *KBET* CA, Canyon Country Su 2/19 1503 brand new station now testing. Extremely poor midday with faint TT. ID 1600 "This is KBET, Canyon Country, testing." IDs were given only at exactly the top of the hour. Thanks to Gary Larson for phone tip, and who also tells me signal is beamed away from me towards Palmdale/Lancaster/Mojave. Studio is in Santa Clarita, 805-298-5238. (SMM)
 +2/19 1530 on air for second day to my knowledge. TT used as well as voice IDs every 15 minutes "This is KBET Canyon Country testing." 2/21 on all day with TT. Power during testing is 250 watts non-directional, for normal service is to be 1000/500 directional. Hoping for March air date. (GL-CA)

KDFC CA, Palo Alto 2/20 0925 weak with classical music & ID 0930 mentioning FM as "San Francisco." Stronger around 1000. (DL)

CJOC AB, Lethbridge 2/20 0206 either unusually weak or off with a jumble of stations present. 0208 suddenly popped back in with satellite-fed C&W format. Brief SP? (bp-WA)

1230 KGE0 CA, Bakersfield MM 1/30 0345 fair with ment. of giving away \$1,000 with "details at 7:20 this morning." SID 0351 "AM 1230 KGE0!" Into Beach Boys' "Let's Do It Again." Also heard slogan "The station playing four decades of hits." KGFJ off. (SMM-CA)

KSTC CO, Sterling 2/14 1802 ABC News, jingle ID, into country music. (NP-AB)

1230 KBAR ID, Burley 2/17 1918 girls high school BKB game between Burley and Idaho Falls. (NP-AB)

KLAV NV, Las Vegas MM 1/30 0400 surfaced over KGEO with legal ID: "Music of the 50's, 60's and 70's; KLAV, Las Vegas." Into oldies music. KGfJ off. (SMM-CA)

KBMN MT, Bozeman 2/21 1902 ABC News, KBMN jingle. (NP-AB)

KLGB MT, Libby 2/14 2206 "KLGB, Libby" ID out of the mud. (NP-AB)

KLAV NV, Las Vegas 2/19 0400 fair with ID "Nevada's home for great country, KLAV, Las Vegas." Format change from EZL. (TRH-CA)

KWYZ WA, Everett 2/14 2211 ID at end of high school BKB coverage & IDs as "Radio 1-2-3." (NP-AB)

CJNL BC, Merritt 2/14 1855 Kamloops Blazers hockey broadcast, ID as "NL Radio Network." (NP-AB)

1240 KNRY CA, Monterey 2/20 0658 end of talk program, clear ID, weather, lost after 0700. My 1st CA GYer. (NP-AB)

KALY NM, Albuquerque MM 2/20 0120 dominating 1240, over local KSON with SS programming, "Radio Kaly Caliente" slogans, and a nice English & Spanish full ID. Ex-KLTN. (TRH-CA1)

1270 KSCB KS, Liberal 2/19 2111 fair over semi-local XEAZ, dominating channel with Wichita SU - Kansas SU BKB game //1480. C&W music later. (TRH-CA1)

1290 KHSL CA, Chico MM 2/6 0300 good at s/off with legal ID as "Chico-Paradise" & ment. of 5,000 watts. Also ment co-owned Channel 12. Into Nat'l Anthem. Then, for something unusual, following the Nat'l Anthem, they returned again to say "KHSL now leaves the air until tomorrow morning"! (SMM-CA)

1300 KROP CA, Brawley MM 2/6 good with legal ID at 0400, "KROP, Brawley-El Centro-Calexico." Into UPI News. 0405 jingle "Imperial Valley weather!" Slogan "Hit Kickin' Country--KROP!" C&W format. Also, poorly audible midday in tight KAZN null. Assume at one time call may have stood for "K-Rope" (??). (SMM-CA)

(KROP)+2/18 0350 off, leaving KPTL/XEP mix. Station has been LOUD in KAZN's absence. (TRH-CA)

KYNO CA, Fresno 2/5 2225 fair without KAZN. Has added SMN "Kool Gold" oldies, //K00L-960. Slogans "Kool Gold" & "The oldies you can't forget." (TRH-CA)

+Format is satellite-delivered "Cool Gold" oldies on $\frac{1}{2}$ -second delay //K00L-960 Phoenix (see above). Has SID at :59:50. (SMM)

?KYNO)+2/16 1754 ads, sung ID, oldies from the 50's & 60's. Is this their format? (NP-AB) (Yes it is!--NH)

KPMO CA, Mendocino is definitely on the air and to my knowledge has never been dark. Noted 2/14 0700 with Sun Radio Network telephone talk, "News talk Radio" slogan after ID & UPI Radio News on the hour. Very weak groundwave signal here. (RET-CA)

KLER ID, Orofino 2/17 1803 ABC News, local news, ads, into pop music. (NP-AB)

KPTL NV, Carson City 2/18 0352-0400 fair mixing with XEP with Sally Jesse Raphael, s/off at 0400 said they'd be back 0900. Rare here. (TRH-CA)

KMPS WA, Seattle 2/18 2010 country music, ID as "94 Country, KMPS." (NP-AB)

1310 KZZP AZ, Mesa MM 2/6 0402 was being obliterated by further KZRQ, but would occasionally poke through with CHR-dance music and "KZZP 104.7 FM" IDs and jingles. (SMM-CA)

KDIA CA, Oakland MM 2/6 0352 very good with PSA's. Numerous "K-D-I-A" IDs and Black music. Some QRM from KZRQ. (SMM-CA)

KZRQ NM, Corrales MM 2/6 0400-0530 a surprisingly very strong signal all morning long, blowing away closer KZZP! Heavy metal format with IDs as "1310 Z-Rock." Taped legal IDs as "KZRQ, stereo AM, Corrales 1310 Z-Rock." Ex-KXAK for me. (SMM-CA)

1320 KGNR CA, Sacramento 2/21 no longer has a SP. They now carry Transtar's "The Oldies Channel" overnight. (FPJ-CA)

KOLT NE, Scottsbluff MM 2/20 0042-0106 poor-fair under KEMX with man reading a local annct., ID on hour as "KOLT Scottsbluff-Gering," then into Westwood One's "Jazz Show" with David Sanborn after 0100. Only heard once before. (TRH-CA1)

1340 KATA CA, Arcata format change to "Oldies Channel" & ID'ing as "1340 Gold," still carrying Larry King evenings. (RET-CA)

KMTW NV, Las Vegas 1/18 0144 fair during local 1330 SP, mixing with KIST. "K-M-T-W" IDs and Motown music. Slogan "The heart and soul of rock 'n roll." (Beware: KKAM-Fresno also uses that

KMTW slogan--as do numerous other stations.) Ex-KRAM for me. (SMM)
cont'd (Steve, both KKAM and KMTW use SMN's satellite "Heart and Soul" format, says the upcoming Almanac.--NH)

KL00 OR, Corvallis 2/15 0713 atop with ID "Corvallis Classics on 13-40 KL00" into 60's rock song. (bp-WA)

1350 KSR0 CA, Santa Rosa 2/16 1759 ID, NBC News. (NP-AB)
KRYT CO, Pueblo MM 2/20 0211 DJ named Randy playing oldies & using slogan "K-Right, the oldies station." Had been in most of the night. Ex-KIDN. (TRH-CA1)

KRNT IA, Des Moines 2/14 2027 ID, weather. (NP-AB)
1370 KWRM CA, Corona 2/14 0036 noted in Spanish. Used to run Spanish programs occasionally, but never at this time of day as I recall. Maybe a format change? (TRH-CA)

KSOP UT, South Salt Lake City MM 2/13 0415 pretty good signal with oldies, IDs, "AM 14/FM 104.3" slogans. Not an everyday catch here, as they're in the same direction as my local KPOP-1360. (TRH-CA)

1390 KGER CA, Long Beach 2/19 0344 noted with Black programming including lots of ads for Long Beach-area businesses. Full format change, or are they just brokering time like KMJC-910? (TRH-CA)

KDZR CO, Denver 2/19 2020 good signal, but a real dogfight with KENN. BRN business talk, same show KFNN had been running. (TRH-CA1)

KENN NM, Farmington 2/19 2019 fair-good with Talknet, mixing with KDZR's business talk. No KGER QRM. (TRH-CA1)

1400 KTRC NM, Santa Fe 2/19 2037 poor, but surfaced for two good clear IDs. C&W music, including some syndicated programs. (TRH-CA1)

1430 KEZW CO, Aurora 2/19 2000 huge signal with MYL. No KALI QRM. Slogan "Denver's Own." (TRH-CA1)

KLO UT, Ogden 2/19 2000 loud, mixing with KEZW, also MYL. (TRH-CA1)
KCLK WA, Asotin 2/21 1846 plug for BKB coverage later that night on KCLK AM & FM. (NP-AB)

1450 KVSL AZ, Show Low MM 2/20 0203 fair with local KOWA, with ID by woman who then read the AZ lottery #'s and some news. (TRH-CA1)

KGRZ MT, Missoula 2/19 0358 break from Talknet, local ID, NBC News. (NP-AB)

KBPS OR, Portland was probably my unID here. Bill Block confirms they're now AN. (bp-WA)

1470 KUTY CA, Palmdale 2/20 0401 AP news & spot for "ML's Fashion Den" then back into C&W. Consistently weak and in/out all AM with someone else WAY down in the mud. (DL-HT)

1480 KLEO KS, Wichita 2/19 2024 pretty good with Wichita State-Kansas State BKB game //1270. Never heard at this time of day before. (TRH-CA1)

1490 KDB CA, Santa Barbara 2/1 1310 poor midday with KWIZ-1480 splash on car rx with "Money Radio" format, usually // KMNY-1600 on $\frac{1}{2}$ -second delay behind KMNY. Promo: "Money Radio KDB-1490, Santa Barbara, is also your station for UCLA Bruins sports." At 159:45 gives legal ID, local weather, then into "Worldwide News from Money Radio" (which is not carried on KMNY). Eves & weekends KDB is // with FM 93.7 classical music. (SMM-CA)

KDBM MT, Dillon 2/22 0713 Inter-Mountain Network state news, ID, into local news by woman. (NP-AB)

1500 KHTT CA, San Jose per local newspaper article, will be changing format from oldies to newstalk, and calls to KSJX on approx. March 1. (RW-CA)

KABR NM, Alamo Community 2/15 0000-0100 poor-fair mixing with KSTP, KHTT. Program of loud thumping club/dance music, simulcasting KANW-89.1. Slogan "The non-commercial FM." Someone forgot to turn the AM off at sunset! Thanks Neil Kazaross for tip. (TRH-CA)

1550 KUAT AZ, Tucson 2/20 0915 blowing away KKHI at s/on, into "Morning Edition" news. (RW-CA)

KZQQ UT, West Valley City 2/20 0920 was scheduled to change formats to classical, but still in with rock music, traffic report, phone number "570-Bear," ment. ID "106.5, K-Bear," ID on hour "AM 1550, KZQQ and 106.5, K-Bear, West Valley City." Thought they might've changed calls! (RW-CA)

1560 KPMC CA, Bakersfield 2/12 0355 staying on late with a new Sat. night rap/dance music program. Used to s/off around 0307. Format remains mostly talk. (TRH-CA)

+2/13 2035 ID "10,000 watt clear channel, KPMC." (NP-AB)

1560 KLLV CO, Breen 2/19 1855 fantastic signal with Moody satellite feed, IMS news, etc. Sounded like a local. (TRH-CA1)
 KWCO OK, Chickasha 2/19 2342-2400 fair, level with KPMC with syndicated program "Rock & Roll Never Forgets" with guest Eddie Money. Tape-delay ABC News at 2357, then s/off 2400 with no SSB. Never heard with KPMC on before. (TRH-CA1)
 1600 KRXV CO, Lakewood 2/19 2059 and later at several rechecks. CHR music, "Denver's best music, Y-108" slogans, local ads. Often even with KMNy, over usual pest KGST. (TRH-CA1)

UNIDS

660 MM 2/20 0408 lively relig. call-in talk show. Suspect KSKY, as Dallas-area stations were in well tonight. Killed by Cuba. (TRH-CA1)
 910 Sun. 2/19 0055-0105+ local "quiz show" in which bits of oldies tunes were played, and callers had to answer questions. Not KNEW or KFYI, from which I heard IDs. KOXR (SS) never heard here at night, and KMJC is relig. KALL maybe? (SMM-CA)
 1030 MM 2/20 0350 local talk show under KJDJ. Perhaps WBZ? (TRH-CA1)
 1090 2/19 0153 relig. talk under semi-local pests CHBC & KBOZ. (NP-AB)
 1090 2/20 0334 unID TT strong over KBOZ in XEPRS null. KING? (RW-CA)
 1230 MM 2/13 0643 Best of King. Nearest listed affiliates (4/88) are in Texas. Any new affiliates in CA or AZ? (TRH-CA)
 1300 MM 2/6 0355 under the KROP/KYNO mess heard what sounded like "94 Country KZN." KAZN off. Perhaps I misunderstood "KMPS"--are they country // FM? KMPS still need here. (SMM-CA) (KMPS uses slogan "94 Country, KMPS."--NH)
 1340 2/15 0700 with SSB on flute or similar sound instrument. (bp-WA)
 1360 MM 2/20 0048 rock oldies (Moody Blues, et al), ABC-C News, under KLFF, KPQP. Suspect KRKK. (TRH-CA1)
 1400 2/19 0335 C&W music looping north, ID sounded like "North Country, KCLA." Doesn't seem to match anything. (TRH-CA)
 1450 2/20 0332 unID TT weak under KEST, looping N-S. No f/c's listed for this time. (RW-CA)
 1460 2/20 0335 in & out all AM with oldies. Couple others there too but tough to sort them out. One KMNx ID heard; does this fit them? (DL)
 1480 2/12 0345 Larry King/Jim Bohannon show, looping NNE. (TRH-CA)
 1590 MM 2/20 0115 Best of King. (TRH-CA1)

Welcome to WDXR, Nigell! It's great to see Alberta represented in the column. The anniversary issue is just a couple of weeks away--I hope we have a nice long WDXR that week. ♥

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1988 was a poor year for DX, partly because of the geomagnetic conditions (hearing only static at 0300 while hoping for the Far East or Down Under is not conducive to further DX'ing!) and in the evening due to the band congestion with new stations on former Clears. I've also started a new hobby interest: genealogy, that has that has taken some free time.

Unfortunately, I've spent no time doing propagation research or articles recently. I would be happy to answer any questions about nighttime skywave propagation for any of the members. One issue that actually may enhance long distance propagation is the new "anti-skywave" antenna system; these direct more energy along the ground and at low angles to the ground at the expense of high incidence angle skywaves (that typically travel only 100 to 300 miles). The net result may be marginally increased field strength at distances over 1,000 miles, because the skywaves we're receiving are "errant" ground waves. (Hey Randy, how about a talk at the Convention?-RtH.)

In April 1988 I had a business trip to Toronto and was able to spend an evening with Gray Scrimgeour. Gray DX'ed from La Jolla in the mid '60s and was a big influence in my DX life. He and his wife and two grown sons are well and happy, and it was great to relive some memories of the good old days of DX. Gray and I put together the IRCC (IRC of California) editions of the mid '60s, the first April Fool's editions. Gray, Larry Godwin, Art Peterson and I also transponded (reel-to-reel!) in '65-'66, playing our TP and LA DX for each other every two weeks.

Our family took a Caribbean cruise in late August, visiting Cozumel, Cayman Islands and Jamaica about two weeks before hurricane Gilbert passed through. I tried to DX on my TRR at sea between Cozumel and Cayman, but it was difficult in a bad light on deck without a digital readout.

My wife got me a little Sony radio for Christmas and I've tried it out at home and in Le Havre, France. I did a band scan between 0500 and 0700 in Le Havre, but it's difficult to tell the stations without a scorecard and with a radio that tunes in 10 kHz increments. Interesting, though, and very quiet in Le Havre at that time. 73.



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(Cont. from last week. . .) KJCC 540 Carmel Valley began as a 500-watt daytimer, now they're going to be 10 kw day and 500 watts night. Their towers are going to be somewhere on Old Stage Road outside Salinas. Seems that KTGE 1570 will also move their towers nearby when they go 5 kw day and 1 kw night with a night DA. Apparently, the owner of KJCC is back east and "really believes in AM radio." I'll bet they won't get on 'til next year. Format isn't known yet, but I heard they will co-own an FM licensed to Gonzalez. No news yet on 700 for Soledad or 1200 for Soquel.

Have been doing some SW listening lately, not much AM DX, but took the Superadio to Carmel River State Beach on 23 January at sunset. Not much to brag about there, but later at the Safeway parking lot about a mile away, heard newie KCRE 1310 Crescent City s/off. Report sent.

Someone a few weeks back reported KQWB 1560 ND. Last time I heard them they were on 1550. Have they moved? And Rush Limbaugh is also carried on KN7S 1540 at 1000 PLT. They also carry Michael Jackson, Tom Snyder and Sally you-know-who, hi. Warriors bkb can also be heard on 1540.

Everyone keep up the good work on DXM, I really enjoy each issue. Until next time, take care and 73.

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On 06 February, I made the mistake of calling KCVR to mention the total lack of AM ID's during their simulcast period with KWIN. My conversation with them makes SMM's experience with KGRB look like a Sunday school picnic. The owner totally insulted me and bashed DX'ers and radio clubs in general.

I called at 1600 and asked to speak with the CE or GM and was connected with the owner Roger Turnbeaugh. I tried to explain who I was, the hobby and IRCA and that I was really concerned that KCVR wasn't mentioned during the simulcast hours (1800 to 0600 PLT) and that he might not be aware of this as I didn't want to see him get into trouble. I said that all they have to say is, "KWIN FM, KCVR AM Lodi" on the hour. He then told me that it was none of my business what the stations do. He said that if I didn't like what I listened to that I should change the station. I apologized and said that I was making a simple suggestion so that he wouldn't have any problems from the FCC. He then said, "A simple suggestion my ass. You're just a little (expletive deleted) causing trouble. I thought about hanging up, but then thought by doing so it would cause him to insult other people. He told me that . . . "what his station does or doesn't do was none of my (expletive deleted) business and that the club I belong to is full of scum of the earth who do nothing but listen to radio stations and complain about very minor problems of which is none of my business in the first place."

His attitude and language was appalling and I was really taking offense to it. So before losing my cool, I simply told him I was sorry he felt that way and hung up. The following day I called the Better Business Bureau, but they in turn referred me to the FCC. (Floyd, FCC is at 500 Battery St., San Francisco, 94111-RtH.)

SMM, I think your chat with KGRB's owner made him look like a gentleman compared to Mr. Turnbeaugh.

Well, until next time, remember, 25th Anniversary convention in the River City, Sacramento, one of Newsweek's ten most liveable cities in America.

73 de FPJ and Sacramento in '89!

RIC HEALD, 8539 BELLAMY WAY, SACRAMENTO, CA 95828 (916) EV6-8677 1000 to 1400 PLT & ppd

Gees, it's either feast or famine in forum-land, hi. And all of us are within a 100-mile radius to boot!

Floyd is right. I thought Mexican/Canadian Clears, or rather US stations fulltime on those channels had to s/off at 0000 local. Yes? Not KCVR. No AM ID, and I've listened several mornings for up to two hours after getting home from work. Is this legal? So long as one of the stations, in this case KWIN, ID's then that's OK? I have an idea. All who can hear KCVR at night (and that's probably not too many of you, hi) send a reception report claim-

ing KWIN 1570, but not addressed to the owner, hi.

I've tried several times to hear 1090 Oakhurst midday, but XEPRS is just too strong. Awesome signal at 500+ miles. I have a picture of both XEPRS and XETRA's towers while on a travel agent's trip to Ensenada in the late '70s. One of XEPRS's towers (and guy wires) is partly inside a cemetery!

What little DX I've done has been in the 0000-0130 PLT range after work. I've been concentrating lately on the GY channels, but with two already blocked (1230, 1240), I'm not doing too well. I don't have the patience I once had, I guess.

Aside from BCB and briefly. Car radio experts, need your help. I have a wandering FM. KRAK is 105.1, but seems to settle on 103.1 and occasionally drifts up to 105.1. I usually hear a static kind of noise when it starts drifting and takes about three to five minutes to drift up, settles in for a few minutes then wanders back down. When it drifts up, my button setting brings in 103.1 KBEE, and when back down, the previous setting brings in KEAR. It sits 90% of the time on the low setting (based on dial readings). Any explanations for this? A bad AFC? I need a new radio? -hi.

Speaking of car radios. Who puts out a good stereo AM/FM/cassette with good selectivity and sensitivity on both AM and FM and for under \$150? My current Honda radio has a decent AM, and I bandscan on that to see if there's anything worth pursuing on the FM and the FM does bring them in. And does the AM stereo side decode all three stereo systems?

That's about it this time. From record-breaking cold to near record-breaking highs in a matter of less than three weeks. We're now in the '70s!

Anniversary issue deadline drawing very near. Get your forums in soon. And ask your boss for 30 June, 1, 2, 3 July off for your California vacation and 25th Silver Anniversary convention in Sacramento. We'll make it worth your while! Best of DX and 73 de Rth and Sacramento in '89. .

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Hi again. Got DXM #845 today, 21 February, and in CDXR of an unID on 1490. I have a z rock list showing KBSO Billings, MT as one of its affiliates. Address is 2401 Montana Ave., Laurel, MT 59101. Phone is (406) 245-5200 and GM is listed as George Beaudet.

Regarding my 24 January trip, I drove past two old KUTY towers on Ave. S near Sierra Hwy. and signal got distorted and very strong even for 500 watts. I kept listening as I hunted all over for the new site and even at the site I detected a strong signal but not distorted so I think at that time the old one (site) was in use. At least for their measurements the engineers had more flat land to deal with than what the KBET people are encountering; lots of hills in all directions. Couldn't tell if the new 1470 transmitter site will have a perimeter fence but I think KBET will as well as electrifying the one around the dog house at middle tower.

PD for KBET is Mike Levine and I got the impression that the format will be AdCon days and CHR evenings. Also very heavy on local sports (three high schools and two colleges in the area) plus heavy promotions in its coverage area. I asked about ads in local papers. Seems Newhall Signal and others to be used as well as trades. Said probably nothing in Daily News promotion-wise.

Carl of KHJJ is a student at Antelope Valley College (I think that's what you meant with the abbreviations, Gary, hi-Rth) as well as doing two shifts, one at KHJJ and another at KKZZ 106.3, same time, but with automation. (And that can get real hairy - take it from personal experience, hi-Rth.)

On another recent drive I hunted down the 97.7 KAVS tower which is located on Soledad Mtn. off Hwy. 14 near Backus Rd. KAVS as well as KAVL are on Ave. 1 in Lancaster. KTPI 103.1 and KVOY 1400 are currently operated from Mojave on Hwy. 58, but soon will move to a new site off Sierra Hwy. between Aves. M and N, Lancaster, just outside the Palmdale city limits. There new phone number is 274-1031 (as in 103.1, hi).

As for XERCN being "pushed" away from the Palmdale area, doubt it. KUTY will probably protect Tijuana as well as Sacramento. I believe signal will be stronger northeast of new site as well as north. (That's a contradiction. Who's due north of Palmdale? Sacramaneto!-Rth.)

Thanks to TRH for return call recently. We talked for a fairly long time and he told me of using a Beverage site KZZ used and of how far DX had been heard.

I do recall s/off of KFAC 1330 at 1900 PLT and tuning in to 1330 at work at 2325 and hearing SS. 1300 had RS until 0000 PLT then went to a loop tape announcement regarding the frequency change. KAZN went on the following day from Pasadena around 1130 PLT. SoCal paper radio log says KZAN so will write or call to get it corrected.

I'll see if the Daily News will change their listing for 1220 from KTSJ to KBET (1220) because there's no trace of KTSJ in the San Fernando Valley. (I had no problem hearing them going through Burbank on I-5-Rth.) I've seen the paper on the racks in Pasadena, but it's still in far fringe of KTSJ.

I've heard KKG0 540 plans fine arts format. I suppose now 25 kw will reach here in my area well. It would be nice if they aren't NSP. (Gary, plunk down \$50 for a Superadio, hi-Rth.)

Time to s/off so 73.

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