

January 09, 1999 - Volume 35 - Number 16 - Edition 1168 - ISSN 899-9733 **************** IRCA WEB SITE: http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/5792/ ************************* PUBLISHER'S E-MAIL ADDRESS: sanser@GTE.net ****************** SOFT DX MONITOR E-MAIL ADDRESS: philip_bytheway@mukilteo.hac.com **************** IN THIS ISSUE: CPC DX Tests Summary .. 2, Hot Stuff .. 4, FCC .. 4, TVA and Heald award ballot..5, Upcoming Elections..5, Broadcasting Information. .6, Western DX Roundup..9, Central DX Roundup..11, Eastern DX Roundup..
12, Eastern DX Forum..14, Back Page Officers and Membership Information ***************** CLUB POSITIONS NOW AVAILABLE: CPC Chairman, "DX Techniques" editor, "Sports" editor, IRCA Almanac coordinator as well as "DX Monitor" Publisher, DX Worldwide East editor. Contact IRCA President Phil Bytheway, 9705 Mary NW, Seattle WA 98117-2334. ******************** A DXers TECHNICAL GUIDE: Now in its 3rd edition published in 1998, this 155 page book answers questions on receiver and antenna theory (how to improve their performance), how audio filters and loop antennas can improve DX with hints on their construction, how to build a Beverage and phasing unit, and much more. Only \$10.00 for IRCA/NRC members, \$12.00 for non-members (overseas airmail add \$2.50). Order from the IRCA Bookstore 9705 Mary NW Seattle WA 98117-2334..... **************** IRCA MEXICAN LOG 5th EDITION: The IRCA is proud to announce the release of the 5th edition of its MEXICAN LOG. The IRCA MEXICAN LOG log lists all AM stations in Mexico by frequency, including call letters, state, city, day/night power, slogans, schedule in UTC/GMT, formats, networks and notes. In addition, stations that have changed frequency since 1996 are cross-referenced on the old frequency. The call letter index gives call, frequency, city and state. The city index (listed by state, then city) includes frequency, call and day/night power. The log has been completely updated from the 1996 edition and carefully crosschecked by IRCA members in Mexico and the US. This is an indispensable Size is 8 1/2" reference for anyone who hears Mexican radio stations. x 11" and three hole punched for easy binding (optional). Prices: IRCA/NRC members - \$7.00 (US/Canada/Mexico/seamail), \$8.00 (rest of the Americas airmail), \$8.50 (Europe/Asia airmail), \$9.00 (Australia/New Zealand airmail). Non-members: add \$2.00 to the above prices. Make checks out to: Phil Bytheway. Order from: IRCA Bookstore, 9705 Mary NW, Seattle WA 98117-2334 ****************** RENEWING: Please note the numbers above your name on the address label this is your expiration number, a 36-16 means your membership in the IRCA will expire with this issue. I will rubber stamp a reminder on the front page of your DXM and I will try to remind you 2 issues before you expire. If you have not renewed on time your name will be removed from the address list, so please try to renew early...Thanks....Pub...... *****************

WELCOME TO IRCA's "soft" DX MONITOR

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CPC DX TESTS SUMMARY

CPC Chairperson (IRCA) - Lynn Hollerman - gmhollerman@mindspring.com CPC Chairman (NRC) - Bill Hale - phantom2@eaze.net

1/23/99 Sat - 0400-0415 - 850 - KICY - Nome AK (IRCA)
1/24/99 Sun - 0105-0115 - 1320 - WJAS - Pittsburgh PA (NRC)
1/24/99 Sun - 0115-0125 - 1360 - WPTT - McKeesport PA (NRC)
1/25/99 Mon - 0200-0600 - 1390 - WFIW - Fairfield IL (NRC)
1/30/99 Sat - 0200-0400 - 1160 - KSL - Salt Lake City UT (IRCA)
2/ 6/99 Sat - 0000-0600 - 1450 - CHUC - Cobourg ON (NRC)
2/15/99 Sat - 0105-0600 - 660 - KEYZ - Williston ND (NRC)
2/21/99 Sat - 0105-0130 - 1450 - WILM - Wilmington DE (NRC)

(ELT = Eastern Listening Time, i.e. the local time in the Eastern time zone). Please remember, what's listed as being on, say, Monday *may* be what you think of as Sunday night!

DETAILS:

Saturday, January 23, 1999 - KICY-850, Nome, AK will test using Morse code IDs and voice announcements from 12:00-12:15 am Alaska Time (4:00-4:15 am ET). KICY will test using 10000 watts, non-directional.

Reception reports may be sent to:
Mr. Dave Oseland
General Manager
KICY-AM
P.O. Box 820
Nome, AK 99762
E-mail: kicy@nome.net
(Arranged by Ragnar Danneskjold for the IRCA CPC.)

WFIW-1390 Fairfield, Ilinois will broadcast a Morse Code ID, along with their regular on-the-hour ID at 0200, 0300, 0400, 0500 and 0600 Eastern Time on January 25, 1999. WFIW will be utilizing their daytime authorization of 710 watts non-directional. Fairfield is about 20 miles east of Mount Vernon, IL.

Reports may be sent to:
Mr. Kirk Wallace
WFIW-AM
Box 310
Fairfield, IL 62837-0310
(Arranged by Bill Hale for the NRC CPC.)

WJAS-1320 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania will broadcast 15-second long 1 kHz tones, march music, Morse code IDs, and a little history of the station from 0105-0115 Eastern Time on Monday, January 24 1999. WJAS will be utilizing their daytime facilities of 5000 watts non-directional.

Reports may be sent to:
Mr. Phil Lenz, Chief Engineer
WJAS-WPTT Radio
900 Parish Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15220
(Arranged by John Malicky for the NRC CPC.)

WPTT-1360 McKeesport, Pennsylvania will broadcast 15-secong long 1 kHz tones, march music, Morse code IDs, and station history from 0115-0125 on Monday January 24 1999. They will be on their nighttime facilities of 1000 watts, directed due north. But possibly for the test will be on 5000 watts, non-directional for a short time.

Reports may be sent to:
Mr. Phil Lenz, Chief Engineer
WJAS-WPTT Radio
900 Parish Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15220
(Arranged by John Malicky for the NRC CPC.)

KEYZ-660 Williston, North Dakota will test with Morse code IDs and 1000 Hz tones at various intervals from 0105 to 0130 ELT and prior to the news at :00 from 0200 to 0600 on Monday morning, February 15, 1999. Both daytime and nighttime patterns will be used during the period from 0105 to 0130. Nighttime pattern only will be utilized the remainer of the period.

Reception reports may be sent to:
Mr. Earl R. Gross
KEYZ Radio
PO Box 2048
Williston, ND 58801-2048
WWW/ http://www.keyzcountry.com/
(Arranged by Bill Hale for the NRC CPC.)

Saturday, January 30, 1999 - KSL-1160, Salt Lake City, UT will conduct a DX test from 12:00-2:00am MST(2:00-4:00am EST). The test will consist of Morse Code IDs on the hour and half-hour inserted into regular. Their format will be "The Road Gang Show", basically C&W music for truckers.

WWW: http://www.ksl.com/ E-mail: QSL@KSL.com

Reception reports may be sent to:
John Dehnel
Chief Engineer
KSL-AM
55 N. 300 W.
Salt Lake City, UT 84180
(Arranged by Ragnar Danneskjold for the IRCA CPC.)

CHUC-1450 Cobourg, ON will conduct a DX test on Saturday, February 6, 1999 from Midnight to 6:00 am EST. The test will include march music and Morse code IDs.

Reception reports may be sent to:
Mr. John Ton - Engineer
CHUC-1450, P.O. Box 520, Cobourg, ON
KGA-CL3 Canada
É-mail: jton@eagle.ca or chuc@eagle.ca
(Arranged by JD Stephens for the NRC CPC.)

Sunday, February 21, 1999 - WILM-1450, Wilmington, DE will test with tones, Morse code IDs, "recognizable music" and test announcements from 1:00-3:00 am ET. WILM will conduct the test using 1000 watts, non-directional. Pre-paid phone calls will be accepted at (302)656-9800; fax # is (302) 655-1450.

Reception reports may be sent to:
Mr. Allan Loudell
Program Manager
WILM Radio
1215 French St.
Wilmington, DE 19801-3213
(Arranged by Bill Hale for the NRC CPC.)

HOT STUFF

The 1999 IRCA Convention will be held at the Holiday Inn-Boardwalk Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. The dates are June 25, 26, 27 1999. Get in touch with Mike Sanburn, PO Box 1256, Bellflower CA 90707-1256 310-614-1444 for details

FCC

Lee J Freshwater 414 SE 3rd St, Ocala, FL 34474 FAX 352-732-7223 E-mail Lfreshwate@aol.com

The F.C.C. has started putting CALL LETTER changes in their computer data base...We will include them here as time and space permits.

PREPARED ON 12/29/98

CALL SIGN CHANGES

NEW CALL	CITY AND STATE	FREQUENCY *	FORMER CALL
KMKI	PLANO, TX	. 620	KAAM
KFXN	MINNEAPOLIS, MN	690	KXBR
KCMX	PHOENIX, OR	880	KTMT
WJJB	BRUNSWICK, ME	900	WCLZ
WTOF	CANTON, OH	1060	WRCW
KAVC	MOJAVE, CA	1340	KVOY
WTBL	DUNEDIN, FL	1470	WLVU
WHHQ	ELIZABETHTON, TN	1520	WKPP
KDDZ	ARVADA, CO	1550	KQXI

KADZ ARVADA, CO 1690 KAYK

* The F.C.C. does NOT list the frequency in their database. I have tried to suppliment this with information from my own database,, so look it over "carefully" before you_change anything in yours.

We have put this information in order of frequency rather than location. Send any suggestions, changes AND corrections to the above E-Mail address.

CHECK OUT THE LATEST LOGBOOK AT

http://members.aol.com/bcblogbook/main.htm

IRCA 1998-9 TED VASILOPOULOS AWARD BALLOT

Each year, the IRCA membership selects an IRCA member to receive the TED VASILOPOULOS AWARD (TVA). The award was named after Ted Vasilopoulos, a charter member of the IRCA known for his high DX standards and contributions to the club. The award is given to the IRCA member that has made a significant contribution to promoting and keeping the IRCA a thriving club during the 1996-1997 DX season. The winner receives an engraved plaque and a free year membership in the IRCA.

The last 5 TVA winners are not eligible for the award. They are John C Johnson, Pat Martin, Phil Bytheway, Lynn Hollerman and Nancy Hardy. Any other IRCA member can be nominated and last year's winner, Phil Bytheway is coordinating the nominations.

Also up for voting is the Heald Award. The purpose of the Heald Award is to recognize the IRCA member who most benefitted the club in a particularly noteworthy way during the previous year (1998-9). Ralph Sanserino, JD Stephens, Lee Freshwater and Nick Hall-Patch are not eligible for the Heald Award. The winner receives a printed certificate. Should the same member win both the TVA and the Heald Award in a given year, he/she would be presented with the TVA, and the runner-up for the Heald Award would receive the Heald Award.

Send the names and a brief description why the person should receive either award to:

John C. Johnson - 265 Waterton Way - Billings MT 59102-7755 E-Mail: John_Johnson@prodigy.net

Deadline for recieving nominations is February 1 1999. pb

NOTICE OF UPCOMING ELECTIONS
ALL MEMBERS SHOULD KEEP A COPY OF THIS NOTICE

All IRCA members are hereby advised that elections for President, Secretary-Treasurer, and all seven Directors of the Board for the period September 15, 1999 through September 14, 2001 are about to begin.

The following timetable and conditions will be followed:

Nominations for President, Secretary-Treasurer, and the seven Directors will open December 1, 1998 and close January 15, 1999. Each IRCA member can only nominate one person for President and one for Secretary-Treasurer; up to a maximum of seven may be nominated for Director. A member may nominate him/herself. Only members in good standing shall be eligible. This means the nominee must have held one

year's continous membership in the IRCA as of April 15, 1999. All nominations must be submitted in writing and be received by the Election Committee Chairman (ECC) by January 15, 1999. Faxes and e-mails which clearly identify the sender will be accepted.

As soon as possible after January 15, 1999, the ECC will send to the Secretary-Treasurer a list of all nominees; the Secretary-Treasurer will return the list to the ECC as soon as possible indicating which nominees have been members in good standing for the requisite one-year period.

The ECC will notify all eligible candidates concerning their nomination by February 1, 1999. All nominees must reply in writing (again, e-mail and faxes will be permitted) if they accept the nomination, except that those who may nominate him/herself will be presumed to be accepting the nomination. Each candidate, including self-nominees, may submit a campaign statement, not to exceed 20 DXM bulletin lines, to appear in a March issue of DXM. A campaign statement is not required of any candidate. If a member is nominated for more than one office, he/she may submit a campaign statement for each or any of the offices for which he/she intends to run. If nominated for more than one office, the candidate must decide for which office(s) they prefer to run and notify the ECC of all such office(s) the will run for. This decision by a candidate is final.

Notifications of acceptance and all campaign statements must be received by the ECC by February 20, 1999. The ECC will prepare the campaign statements in alphabetical order by candidate's last name, and the ballot categorically by office and in alphabetical order by candidate's last name and submit them to the Publisher by March 1, 1999.

All ballots must be received by the ECC no later than 0001, Mountain Local Time, May 1, 1999. Again, faxes and e-mails, clearly identifying the sender, will be accepted.

The above information is a summary of Article III of the IRCA Bylaws.

Please direct any questions to:

BROADCASTING INFORMATION

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SECTION 1:

FORMAT CHANGES:

	Cullman Ceres	WXXR-1340 KLOC- 920	was oldies//WXXR-FM, now 1 on 1 sports was regional Mexican// KCVR-1570, now JRN SS AC
CA	Lodi		was regional Mexican, now JRN SS AC
CA	Ventura	KUNX-1590	was KXFS, ranchera, to be Unican SS talk
			January 5th
CO	Denver	KRRF-1280	was talk, drops Imus for local programming
CO	Grand Junction	KSTR- 620	was KKGJ, talk, now classic rock//KSTR-FM
FL	Marianna	WTYS-1340	was nx/talk, now classic country
FL	Sebring	WJCM- 960	was AC//WYMR, now classic rock//WWLL
KY	Central City	WNES-1050	was sports, now JRN country//WKYA

KY	Salyersville	WRLV-1140	was country//FM, adds Young & Elder
MD	Rockville	WINX-1600	was CHR, now SS AC
MA	Newburvport	WNBP-1450	was oldies, now all Christmas, to be new
	**		format after holidays
MN	Minneapolis	KXFN-7650	was KXBR-690 classic country, now sports
	-	7.	"Score"
NH	Portsmouth	WMYF-1380	was WIMN, sports, now JRN stds.
IJ	Flemington	WJHR-1040	was soft AC, now hot AC
NM	Artesia	KSVP- 990	was talk, adds ESPN sports
NM	Roswell	KRSY-1230	was country, talk, now SS AC
NC	Camp Lejeune	WWJV-1580	was WCTJ, s. gospel, to be JRN Stds.
			(January)
OH	Gallipolis	WJEH- 990	was religion, gospel, to be AS (January 1)
OK	Idabel	KBEL-1240	was s. gospel, talk, now ABC AS (continues
			s. gospel 6-10 AM)
SD	Aberdeen,	KSDN- 930	was AC, now talk and sports
SD	Watertown	KSDR-1480	was oldies, now talk and sports
TX	Longview	KFRO-1370	was AS, now news/talk/sports
VA	Fredericksburg	WYSK-1350	was soft AC//WYSK-FM, now CHR//WYSK-FM
WV	Buckhannon	WBUC-1460	was country, now all Christmas (to be new
			format in January)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY:

MO	Sedalia	KDRO-1490	dec.	to	780/780 ND
WI	River Falls	WEVR-1550	dec.	to	920/4 ND

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS:

AZ Black Canyon City KUET-710 mod. CP to decrease to 22000-D

FACILITY & PARAMETER GRANTS:

IA	Mason City	KGLO-1300	mod.	CP	to change to DA-2 (vice DA-N)
OK	Moore	WWLS- 640	inc.	to	5000-D, DA-2
NW	Aklavik	CBAK- 540	move	to	1210 khz., 40/40 ND
NW	Fort Providence	e CBQC-1230	inc.	to	99/99 ND
NW	Tulita	CBQI- 920	inc.	to	99/99 ND

CALL LETTER CHANGES:

	Tempe San Rafael	KCWW-1580 KKHI-1510	becomes KMIK (confirmed-ed.) becomes KJQI "Joy" (confirme-ed.)
CA '	Ventura	KXFS-1590	requests KUNX "Radio Unica"
CO	Grand Junction	KKGJ- 920	beocmes KSTR "K-star"
HI	Honolulu	KULA-1460	becomes KGMZ
IL	Belleville	WIBV-1260	becomes WSDZ "Radio Disney"
IN	South Bend	WNDU-1490	becomes WNDV
MA	Concord	WADN-1120	becomes WBNW "Business News"
MA	Orleans	WKPE-1170	becomes WFPB
NV	Reno	KHIT- 630	becomes KPTT "The Parrot" (this info is
			incorrect, station remains KHIT per call
			to station-ed)
NV	Reno	KPTT-1450	becomes KHIT (see above-ed.)
NC	Camp Lejeune	WCTJ-1580	becomes WWJV
NC	New Bern	WLOJ-1490	becomes WWNB
OH	Cleveland	WMIH-1260	becomes WWMK "Mickey" (Radio Disney)
TX	Victoria	KNAL-1410	requests KYFV

SECTION 2:

FORMAT CHANGES:

AL	Butler	WPRN-1330	was country//FM, reported silent
CA	Sacramento	KOME-1470	was oldies, to become KRAK, classic C&W
			(January 4th)
ID	Lewiston	KOZE- 950	was oldies, now talk
IN	Indianapolis	WSYW- 810	was SS, adds SRMusic SS AC
KY	Harlan	WFSR- 970	was country, now s. gospel, contemp. Xtian
KY	Mount Sterling	WMST-1150	was country//FM, now oldies
MI	Gladwin	WGDN-1350	was country//FM, now Reach s. gospel
MI	Taylor	WCHB-1200	was silent, to be black gospel, talk
	1		(January 4th) (slogan is Spirit 1200)
NJ	Princeton	WHWH-1350	was stds., talk, now business news, talk
OH	Piqua	WPTW-1570	was AS, now soft AC
RI	Westerly	WERI-1230	was talk, now nx, talk//WRNI (part of
			Boston University Group)
ТX	San Antonio	KXTN-1310	was KPOZ, positive AC, now tejano //KXTN-FM

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY:

HI	Hilo	KIPA- 620	builds new experimental sync. station or	n
			620, 5 w. ND at Hilo	

LA Ball KWDF- 840 dec. to 8000-D, ND

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS:

NC Hendersonville WTZQ-1600 dec. to 1000/12 ND

CALL LETTER CHANGES:

CA Sacramento KOME-1470 requests KRAK

Pete Taylor of Tacoma, WA. confirms earlier info on KSTR-620 CO., and also passes on that KIGS-620 Hanford, CA. is all Portugese 24 hr/day except SS for a few hours in the morning.

Pat Martin of Seaside, OR. and Mike Brooker of Toronto, ON. pass on the following:

VA Portsmouth WHKT-1650 testing of late.

Pat also sends word that 1680-NJ. may also be testing of late.

Dale Park of Honolulu, HI. passes on the following:

AL CA	Montgomery Pasadena	WACV-1170 KRLA-1110	adds Michael Reagan show per program 9/14 is talk, ads "Dr. Toni Grant Show", adds Premiere Radio's "The Group Room" (the only radio cancer talk show per press release), an on air "support group" for cancer patients, families and health care professionals per PR Newswire 12/5
FL	Orlando	WDBO- 580	adds Sat. program "Kim Komando Komputer Show" per 12/12 broadcast
GA	Atlanta	WSB - 750	adds "Kim Komando Komputer SHow" 11/28 per broadcast (note: WCNN-680 already carries this show!)
HI	Kihei	KAOI-1110	is news/talk, drops "On The House With The

Carey Brothers" show

adds "Kim Komando Komputer Show" per 12/12 Bloomington WJBC-1230 IL broadcast

WICO-1320 Salisbury

adds "Kim Komando Komputer Show" per 11/28 MD broadcast

Silver Spring WWRC- 570 is talk/financial, adds Sunday show "The MD Group Room" per PR Newswire 9/13

Pat Martin also sends on the following:

Cheyenne (Fox Farm) KKWY-1630 no longer //KJJL-1370, now country, uses "Spirit of Wyoming" slogan

Ye editor passes on the following:

KSMH-1620 per letter from KIHM-1590 NV., they CA Auburn mention an xmtr is arriving soon, they hope to be on air mid-late January, an annmt. will be posted on their website (http://www.immaculateheartradio.org).

Hope everyone had a great Xmas and hope you have a happy New Year in 1999, may your DX be the best ever (sans the sunspot max in 1999!)... 73's. *-*-*-*-*-*-*-*-*-*-*-*-*-*-*-*-*-*-*--*--*--

WESTERN DX ROUNDUP

Nancy Johnson - 265 Waterton Way - Billings MT 59102-7755

E-Mail: Nancy Johnson@prodigy.com

WDXR Deadlines: Fridays. Please use Eastern Time.

REPORTERS FOR THIS ISSUE:

- Frank Aden-4096 Marcia Place-Boise, ID 83704 (FA) FRG-7, with 4' box loop
- Ragnar Danneskjold-Mesa, AZ (RD) Kenwood R-1000 with terminated helical coil antenna, Realistic DX-440
- Glen Hansen-3585 SE Franklin St.-Portland, OR 97202 (GH) Hammarlund HQ-180A, various longwires, Sanserino air core box loop
- Gary Jackson-7735 Center Parkway-Sacramento, CA 95823 (GJ) FRG-880 & KIWA loop
- Mike Sanburn-P.O. Box 1256-Bellflower, CA 90707 (MS) GE Superadio II
- Robert Wien-1309 Dentwood Dr.-San Jose, CA 95118 rjw@webtv.net (RW) GE Superradio, GE TRF circa 1963, Select-A-Tenna, HQ-180A, Radio West loop ***************

OF SPECIAL INTEREST

1580 KMIK AZ, Tempe-Phoenix 12/21 0900 good over KBLA with ID "AM 1580, KMIK, Tempe-Phoenix, Radio Disney!!!" ID later as "AM Lots of call-in sequences, female 1580, Radio Disney." announcer. Call change, ex-KCWW. Calls mean "K-MIcKey (Mouse)" I assume.... (RW-CA)

580 KFXD ID, Nampa 12/18 0417 ad for Orchard Feed Store. Male gave

- ID as "Classic Hit Country K-F-X-D." Potent signal atop the rest. (GH-OR)
- 600 CJWW SK, Saskatoon 12/19 0200 ID by male on the hour into country and several female ID's as "Country 600." This is a new one for me. (GH-OR)
- 650 *KSTE* CA, Rancho Cordova 12/21 0931 with open carrier, only KMTI/CISL under open carrier. Hoped for KGAB or CINT but no trace of either needed station! KSTE came back on about 0945. (RW-CA)
- 770 KKOB NM, Albuquerque 12/19 1007 ID by male after news, into Laura Lee show. Predominant in mess. (GH-OR)
- 780 WBBM IL, Chicago 12/18 0018 with ID and traffic report with weather stating there is snow in the forecast. (RD-AZ)
- 790 KGHL MT, Billings (rare) 12/18 0020 playing country music "It's So Close to Christmas and I'm So Far From Home." ID at 0023 "Montana's Good Neighbor, KGHL" into "Harper Valley PTA." (RD-AZ)
- 830 KPLS CA, Orange 12/21 0950 running possible loop tape (?)
 mentioning the praises of Catholic Family Radio, ID on hour
 as "KPLS, Orange, Los Angeles." (RW-CA)
 - WCCO MN, Minneapolis 12/18 0026 talking to woman who wrote children's books. (RD-AZ)
- 870 WWL LA, New Orleans 12/18 0030 with the Prophecy Club with David J. Smith. (RD-AZ)
- 880 KRVN NE, Lexington 12/18 0033 playing country music. (RD-AZ)
- 930 KAFF AZ, Flagstaff 12/18 0036 playing Christmas carols. (RD-AZ)
- 950 KKFN CO, Denver 12/18 0037 with Avalanche hockey. (RD-AZ)
- 1000 KOMO WA, Seattle 12/19 2256 heard over Radio Mil with Washington Husky basketball report and news. (RD-AZ)
- 1060 CKMX AB, Calgary 12/20 0107 male ID into NOS programming. In strong for over half an hour. (GH-OR)
- 1080 KSCO CA, Santa Cruz 12/19 2300 AP network news and ID KSCO //
 KONY (?) into "When Radio Was." (RD-AZ)
- 1100 KNZZ CO, Grand Junction (rare) 12/19 2333 with Laura Lee Show over local KFNX. (RD-AZ)
- 1140 KGEM ID, Boise (new log) 12/19 2343 playing OLD Christmas carols then Jungle Bells by Les Paul. (RD-AZ)
- 1150 KDEF NM, Albuquerque (new log) 12/19 2346 NM Aggies and Washington Huskies. Aggies lost by 20. Over near local KCKY. (RD-AZ)
- 1210 KREW WA, Sunnyside (new log) 12/20 0000 ID and USA Radio News. (RD-AZ)
- 1260 KVSF NM, Santa Fe (rare) 12/20 0003 with UPI news and into sports and national weather at 0005. (RD-AZ)
- 1280 KIT WA, Yakima 12/12 0204 male gave ID as "K-I-T Yakima," then into Artie Bell's nonsense. Fair signal. (GH-OR)
- 1290 KYKN WA, Port Angeles 12/12 0200 male gave ID as "Your new home of hot country 1290 KYKN." In strong for 20 minutes then back into the mix. (GH-OR)
- 1330 KFH KS, Wichita 12/20 2205 with ID and into Art Bell. New log. (RD-AZ)
- 1340 KXEQ NV, Reno 12/7 2300 ID (Spanish) "Esta es la super Q," then English "K-X-E-Q Reno," followed by news items in Spanish separated by musical notes. Super Q slogan again at 2304.

 An incredible reverse Murphy faded up to dominance out of nowhere right at top of hour! New for me. (MS-CA)
- 1370 KCTC CA, Sacramento 12/20 0025 ID & Christian music. New log.

(RD-AZ)

- 1380 KRKO WA, Everett 12/17 0209 weather forecast, ID by male into ad for battered women's shelter. Weak signal. (GH-OR)
- 1400 KART ID, Jerome 12/15 0020 this regular from last season fading up for an ID. Some NOS tunes noted. Still haven't received a verie irom these guys. (MS-CA)
- 1510 KMSL CA, Ontario 12/20 1433 promo for remote at Sneakers Sports Bar in Upland, mentioned free muscle T-shirts. Also spot for Fuji film. (MS-CA)
- 1530 KHPY CA, Moreno Valley 12/20 1400 good with KCTD splash. Songs
 "Me and Mrs. Jones" by Billy Paul (1972) and "Who's That
 Lady" by Isley brothers (1973), ID "The Inland Empires...AM
 1530 KHPY." Seems to be classic soul format now. (MS-CA)
- 1570 KHPN CO, Loveland 12/19 2000 "Your giant on the front range,
 KHPN, Loveland, Windsor, Brighton, Ebons (?) and your town
 too!" Running C&W music, into AP net news. Solid signal.
 New! I wonder what they have done? (FA-ID)
- 1600 KYBC AZ, Cottonwood 11/23 0203 coming out of weather, ID "The station that brings you great memories KYBC." Songs "Misty" by Johnny Mathis and "Twilight Time" instrumental.

 Local KMNY off. EX-KVRD for me. Thanks to Bob Wien for helping me identify it. (MS-CA)
- 1610 WNMQ214 CA, City of Newark 12/16 in briefly with ID, mention of 1610 water conservation at 0630. Call letters confirmed by City Manager. (GJ-CA)
 - KNID553 CA, Los Altos Hills station reported 12/11 as KNID553 has been ID'd as TIS/HAR Los Altos Hill, by Los Altos Hills PD. (GJ-CA)
 - WNWN392 CA, Saratoga TIS/HAR knocked off the air during a storm
 Thanksgiving weekend. It is now back on the air according
 to Paula Reeve station director, per phone call to station.
 (GJ-CA)
- 1630 KKWY WY, Fox Farm 12/20 2140-2204 playing country music. Weakest of all the X-banders heard in Arizona. Did they change format? (RD-AZ)

CENTRAL DX ROUNDUP

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RIDING GAIN

[NJ-MT] Nancy Johnson, Billings, Montana Nancy_Johnson@prodigy.com Yaesu FRG-7, "Radio West" Loop. Or the radio in the 1995 Mustang.:)

[JcJ-MT] Your editor using an Icom IC-R71A, "Radio West" Loop.

DOWN THE DIAL

- 570 CKEK BC, Cranbrook. 12-20 weak to good. 2228 with spot cluster, mention of "EK Sports Line" and music. 2242 weather and more spots. First time heard here. [JcJ+NJ-MT]
- 590 KAQQ WA, Spokane. 12-20. 2254 with call ID at end of station promo into Christmas music. [NJ-MT]
- 650 KSTE CA, Rancho Cordova. 12-20 weakly through others. 2258 with call ID and mention of "Home of the Oakland Raiders football" into ABC News. [NJ-MT]
- 840 CJXX AB, Grande Prairie. 12-20. 2220 with "Country 8-40 CJXX" ID into Christmas music. [NJ-MT]

- 1320 KHRT ND, Minot. 12-20. 1837 with spot for job openings at KHRT into country music. [NJ-MT]
- 1340 CIBQ AB, Brooks. 12-20 weak with many others. 1900 with call letters. [NJ-MT]
 - KCAP MT, Helena. 12-20. 1906 with jingle ID. [NJ-MT]
 - KTSN NV, Elko. 12-25 above others. 2000 with ID "13-40 AM KTSN Elko." [NJ-MT]
- 1420 KULY KS, Ulysses. 12-20 weak. 1918 with promo for a great gift giveaway station contest, calls mentioned at end. [NJ-MT]
- 1590 KCNN MN, East Grand Forks. 12-20 in clear and strong. 2156 with "We're an Edward R. Morrow Award winning station. KCNN East Grand Forks, Grand Forks" into sports. [NJ-MT]
- 1700 KBGG IA, Des Moines. 12-20 poor to good with numerous complete fades. 1959 out of "America's Dining and Travel Guide" with spot, ID "The big 17-hundred KBGG Des Moines" into SRN News. [JcJ-MT]

25 YEARS AGO

January 12, 1974 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... Howard Meyerson of University City, MO said he was 14 and had logged 468 stations ... Paul Mount of Teaneck, NJ told about repairing his Hallicrafters S-56 ... Larry Godwin of Boulder, CO said he was finishing up his doctorate studies and would take a faculty position at Oregon State Universidy in Corvallis next fall.

OPEN MIKE

Who dares nothing, need hope for nothing. Thanks to Nancy we have a column this week! 73, John.

EASTERN DX ROUNDUP

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WELCOME TOP 1999!!! May the New Year bring you Joy and Happiness and lots of GREAT DX !!!!!A reminder that deadlines for weeklies have been moved from Wednesday to TUESDAY- 6pm. This will assist Phil and Ralph in getting DXM out faster.Send your tips IN TODAY !! LeeFresh@broadcast.net or lfreshwate@aol.com FAX # 352-732-7223 Now on with this weeks effort.

STARS OF THE WEEK

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VIA E-MAIL

LOGGINGS

600 WREC TN Memphis, 2343 12/24, fair/good, w/Christmas music, mention of their website (www.WREC.com), Crimestoppers, and spot for Tiffany's Cabaret in Winchester mentioning their own website (www.tiffanys.com) (rce)
830 WXII NC Kernersville, 2110-2120 12/25, "News Station". News and

930	WNZS	FL	Jacksonville, 2258 12/24, good w/ESPN year in review sp	orts
				(rce)
970	WFLA	AL	Tampa, 2232 12/24, fair w/Bruce Williams	(rce)
1030	KCTA	ТX	Corpus Christi, 1757 1800 12/25, strong with religion.	
			•	(rce)
1110	WBCA	AL	Bay Minette, 2130-2200 12/24 commercial-free Christmas	
			music, poor u/WBT, mentions of "New Eagle" and FM 105.9	€.
			Also heard fairly well the next two nights.	(rce)
1260	WENC	NC	Whiteville, 1700 12/26, with Black programming, fair.	(rce)
1280	WSVE	FL	Jacksonville, 1808 12/26, "Your Inspirational Leader, 1	1280,
			WSVE, Jacksonville."	(rce)
1460	WXOK	LA	Baton Rouge, 2215-2325 12/25, good, urban contemporary.	
				(rce)
1460	WZNZ	FL	Jacksonville, 1817-1820 12/26, fair with CNN news	(rce)
1460	WPNX	ΑL	Phenix City, 1918 12/26, strong with southern gospel	(rce)
1520	KOMA.	ОК	Oklahoma City, 1735-1738 and later 12/25, strong with	
			oldies	(rce)
1570	WCLE	TN	Cleveland, 2245-2257 12/25, fair-good w/C&W.	(rce)
1580	WOXR	AL	Oxford, 1745 12/25, poor with spot for Miller Funeral I	Home.
				(rce)
1580	WZZJ	MS	Pascagoula-Moss, 1850-1853 12/26 fair, local spots and	
			gospel music.	(rce)

(rce)

sports, excellent, then fading bad

SPECIAL INTEREST

A couple of weeks ago I sent you a logging about a station in TN. I had given you the incorrect frequency. Here is the incorrect submission:

1020 WGOC TN Blountville 12/14 17:45 Country Music and then an add for a local fish market, saying that they have fish fresher than the shore and Tennessee's freshest fish. [RB-PA]

And the corrected version:

640 WGOC TN Blountville 12/14 17:45 Country Music and then an add for a local fish market, saying that they have fish fresher than the shore and Tennessee's freshest fish. [RB-PA]

UN-IDEN:

Here is an interesting tidbit. I have heard a station on 1650 KHz for a couple of evenings (12/15, 16) at around 18:00-20:00 playing some instrumental stuff. One of the pieces I heard was kind of a new age/hoe-down/middle eastern mix. Some of the folks on the internet are saying that this is probably WHKT 1650, Portsmouth, VA. This station was huge in Allentown PA on the old Jetta radio. You may want to pass this tip on.

You are corrrect. I believe they are running a full 10 KW They BOOM into Ocala at s-9 or 10. - They were off for a few days. Are back now (12-29)

HELP WITH UN-IDEN:

re: RCE's Indiana UNID 11/27

Area Code 317 outside the immediate Indianapolis area has been changed to Area Code 765. If it involved a Lafayette team, then it could very well be WCVL Crawfordsville, IN, which is close to Lafayette. They're U2 250/250, according to the NRC Log. (EB-MO)

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R. C. Watts, 4109 Graf Drive, Louisville, Kentucky 40220-3016 As I write this, am hearing 1650 kHz music test o/u KCNZ, Cedar Falls. Loops towards GA or VA. Had a quick verification letter from KCNZ which is more than I can say for WTDY, KBGG, WQSN and KCJJ. It is now 2045 EST 12/10. Had my two backyard pecan trees trimmed so took down the short longwire. It is not in the best of shape but not a good time to work it over. So am going to re-hand it until spring. Might even be able to make it a little longer. I have gotten CA on it so another 5 feet may give me HI or AK! Our local T.I.S./H.A.R. now IDs as "WPNQ-995, Louisville and Jefferson County Convention and Visitors Bureau and TRIMARC Traffic Control Center". Sounds like more power and there are more signs. On same subject, on the way to Columbus, OH and passing Cincinnati on I-75, noticed a 530 kHz sign just before the St. Bernard exit. More 530 signs on OH-562 through Norwood to rejoin I-71 which had them almost to Kings Island. Some signs were associated with flashing lights. Intended to monitor the T.I.S./H.A.R. situation enroute but forget an earphone. On a tour bus with some Senior Citizens so couldn't listen otherwise. A bunch of old ladies can turn hostile if rubbed the wrong way. Listened to WOSU-920 in the hotel for awhile. Should be able to get it down here daytime, but not. Terrible head cold so I missed the 11/30 DX tests. Randy Davis called me this evening with a tip. The new 1520, KRHW rattling the speaker from Sikeston, MO. Must be the new higher power applied for. Still playing great music at 0100 That's enough for 1998. See ya next year. Col. DX.

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I was back in Alabama over the Christmas Holidays. Had the HQ-100 and Quantum Loop with me again but it wasn't as productive as Thanksgiving was. I only heard 26 new stations this time, so I am up to 227 heard there from 3 countries. Conditions were not as great, with rain and/or fog most of the time, plus visitors who were also from out of town. big surprises were KOMA-1520 OK, WENC-1260 NC, and WBCA-1110 AL giving WBT a run for its money later in the evening. One of the nice things about the computer is in being able to double-check locations of advertisers I hear. I had one which I thought at first might be in Jamaica, NY (parts of Queens Borough, which is NYC, but it actually turned out to be in Fort Myers, FL, which was where I finally decided it might be.) Details are being sent to Lee for use in the EDXR. sure when the next time will be that I will be down there. I will probably spend New Year's weekend cleaning up the DX/computer room so that I can do some listening here in a comfortable setting. Nothing new on the job front so I will really have to get moving on that after the first. I hope you all had good holidays and that 1999 will be good to you. 73.

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