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Publisher's Notes

Matthew Regen of York, PA and Rick Shaftan of Sparta, NJ are our newest members.

Matthew says that he found us through a web search, Rick is a rejoin; welcome Matthew and Rick! A new Caribbean X-Bander is on: WDHP-1620 in the US Virgin Islands, IDing as "The Reef" //WRRA-1290. A short issue this week... --RT

Seattle Annual Get-together

Bruce Portzer is having his annual DX Get-together on Saturday, March 2, beginning at 2 p.m. Bruce's address is 6546 19th Avenue N.E. in Seattle. If you have questions or want to RSVP, his phone number is 206-522-2521.

"Here's a chance to meet other radio listeners and talk about hobby stuff - medium wave, SWBC, utility,

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DX Tests

Please remember, what's listed as being on, say, Monday *may* be what you think of as Sunday night! Even if you don't hear a test, be sure and drop a card, letter, or e-mail to the station personnel, thanking them for going to the trouble to run a test!

Ongoing, February, 2002 - WKDK-1240, Newberry, SC will send CW IDs every day during the month of February, 2002 at 6:04 am EST, immediately following ABC news. Reception reports (with return postage) may be sent to:

Powell Way, QSL Manager

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Newberry, SC 29108

Email (Reception reports only):

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(Arranged by **Powell E. Way III** and **Lynn Hollerman**.)

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Sunday, February 24, 2002 - WGY (810am, Schenectady, New York) will do a DX test. Since they will be running Coast-to-Coast AM at the time, they will run DX announcements three times per hour between 2am and 4am, at :03, :32 and :58 past the hour. Possible Morse code ID too.

Reception reports (with return postage) may be sent to:

Greg Foster, Program Director WGY/Clear Channel Radio One Washington Square Albany, NY 12205

or e-mail: dx@wgy.com

QSL's will be mailed.

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Blaine Thompson, NRC)

That's all for now...

Also, if you hear a test, PLEASE, PLEASE let me know, via either e-mail or in rec.radio.shortwave! And if you send a reception report to a station, please remember to include return postage with your report...—**Lynn Hollerman** (ircamember@geocities.com)

Web Sites for AM DX Stuff

Building the Broadcast Band is a web page that chronicles the early days of AM radio in the United States, written by Thomas White. "The history of AM broadcast band (mediumwave) in the United States spans eighty years. This is a review of its first decade -- how it was established, initially evolved, suffered through a chaotic period when government regulation collapsed, and finally was reconstructed by the newly formed Federal Radio Commission, along lines that are still visible today." To read this comprehensive account, point your browser to http://www.ipass.net/~whitetho/buildbcb.htm.

Bruce Portzer notes: "Here's an interesting on-line article about XEROK-800's days as a top 40 station (in the late 70s).

The URL is http://www.reelradio.com/km/index.html#xerok7780. It accompanies a composite aircheck of them from that era."

John Bryant sent this to **Phil Bytheway**, who forwarded it to me: "For those of you not connected to the SWBC DX Community, I just received this... If you have any interest at all, for heaven's sake, go to the website and read the rest of this article.... has the ring (and smell) of true authenticity! Here is a sample of the article from UNESCO worker and New Zealand Radio DX League member **Martin Hadlow** who is in Kabul."

"It looked like it would be an impressive place to visit. At the front gate, two guards stood with their tripod-mounted machine gun placed strategically atop what looked to be a table. The weapon was wrapped in a long belt of live ammunition. Steel combat helmets sat on the table alongside the gun and the guards gave us a cheery salute as we entered the compound. We were at the training centre of Radio-Television Afghanistan, a fine old building which had once been home to the first Radio Afghanistan station. Nestling in a back-lane in the old city of Kabul, just a stone's throw from the bustling money market and sellers of clothing and fruit, the building wears its age gracefully, albeit with countless scars of bullet holes dotted across its facade..."

You can read the rest at the New Zealand Radio DX League's web site: http://radiodx.com/spdxr/writing.htm

Finally, via Patrick Martin, comes this excerpt from Glenn Hauser's DX Listening Digest:

** SAMOA AMERICAN. Try this website - Samoa News for Saturday 1. Feb 2001. WDJD 585 - Assemblies of God (What Did Jesus Do)

http://www.samoanews.com/saturday/SAframeset.html

What Did Jesus Do? WDJD 585 AM, AOG Radio Station by Tauva Esera

American Samoa's Assemblies of God Ministry will soon be opening a radio station at the Assemblies of God Hall in Tafuna.

Mr. Bill Snider, an off-island Technical Advisor, who will serve as Media Director to the new Christian radio station, is conducting training for those who are interested in becoming staff members of the AM radio station.

Acting Station Manager, Mrs. Vicky Langkilde Haleck, told Samoa News that the training offers interested church pastors and lay people the necessary information on how to produce local ministerial programs for the station.

Starting this Monday, Mr. Snider will demonstrate to the training participants the installation of basic studio equipment, training in announcing and production skills as well as training in the use of a BSI computer for automated air sound.

In addition to the training offered by Mr. Snider basic training for Station Manager and Program Managers are also provided. Radio Operations exercises are also provided during What Did Jesus Do? WDJD 585 AM Radio Station is expected to officially open in approximately seven weeks.

WDJD 585 Radio Ministries will provide competition for the three-year-old Showers of Blessings radio station run by Pastor Gary Sword who is also expecting to open another Christian Radio Station very soon. (via E. Baxendale, UK, Feb 6, DXLD)

[IRCA] at Topica

There's been a flurry of messages recently on the IRCA e-mail reflector on using a timer to DX overnight; interesting results have been achieved. Not receiving these messages? By subscribing to [IRCA] at Topica, you become part of a select group that receives e-mails related to the club, advance notification of DX tests, chat between group members, and upto-the-minute DX news submitted by group contributors. These messages can be sent to your e-mail application such as Outlook Express, Netscape Messenger or Eudora, and can be read on your web browser, or in digest form. For more information, contact Lynn Hollerman, group moderator, at: <a href="https://linkabs.nih.gov/linkabs/l

Editors Needed

The **DX Worldwide – EAST** and **Sports Information** columns need editors. If you would like to participate in YOUR club, contact **Lee Freshwater** at engwtrs@aol.com

CALL CHANCES

BROADCASTING INFORMATION

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	CALL CHANGES			
	OLD CALL	NEW		
1080	KASH - ANCHORAGE, AK	KUDO		
1170	KBNZ – HONOLULU, HI	KENT		
1460	KMCA - SHASTA, CA	KCNR		

FREQ. CALL – CITY NE	W INFO
710 KUET - BLACK CANYON, AZ TE	STING !!
850 KJON - ANADARKO, OK RE	PORTED SILENT
880 WYKO - SABANA GRANDE, PR RE	PORTED SILENT
1340 KRLV – LAS VEGAS, NV SPA	ANISH TALK
1430 WRDN – DURAND, WI	PORTED SILENT
1620 WDHP – FREDERISKSTED, VI VA	RIETY // WRRA

A DXers TECHNICAL GUIDE

Now in its 3rd edition (published early 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 (and hints on their construction), how to build a Beverage and phasing unit, and much more. Only \$10.00 for IRCA members, \$12.00 for non-members (overseas airmail add \$2.50).

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900	WURD – PHILADELPHIA, PA	CHANGES XMTR SITE TO
1050	WJSB – CRESTVIEW, FL	39-55-02 75-13-17 CHANGES XMTR SITE TO
		30-46-01 86-35-07 DECREASES TO 3100 W. DAYS NDA
1220	WABF – FAIRHOPE, AL	ADDS 4 WATTS NIGHT DA-2

Not a whole lotta action this week, as several changes listed in M street were actually listed here some two weeks ago. And the FCC has not listed a call change since 1/4/02!!! Big news is the sign on of 1620 VI ...Going to try for them tonight. Shouldn't be too hard to bag from Central Florida.

...... Ilesii 2/05/02 1100

WESTERN DX ROUNDUP

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WDXR DEADLINES: Each Friday. Please use Eastern Time.

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(PT) Pete Taylor-6002 Bayview Dr. NE-Tacoma, WA 98422 taytac@att.net Sony ICF-2010 & Kiwa loop

OF SPECIAL INTEREST

1260 KZNI <u>ID</u>, Idaho Falls ex-KICN, news, talk, sports, ID at 1000 on 2/7 with "KZNR-690/KZNI-1260. (BN-CO)

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Sunrise/Sunset Maps

12 maps showing 15 minute sunset and sunrise times for the US and 12 maps showing hourly sunset and sunrise times for the World. Explanation includes use of the maps and examples of DX made possible by knowledge of SR/SS times.

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- 670 KIRN <u>CA</u>, Simi Valley 1/28 0700-0715 noted open carrier, no tones. Tried CE's extension, but only voice mail. Also called request on air number, no answer. Maybe CE was at transmitter. Nothing else under KIRN. (GL-CA)
- 710 KUET AZ, Black Canyon loud here at night with their test loop promising that changes are coming. Heard over KNUS and XEDP on 2/6-2/7 in evening and early morning. (BN-CO)
- 830 KUYO <u>WY</u>, Casper 2/8 0656 with REL program then slogan "Classic Christian Radio." Top of hour ID "KUYO Evansville-Casper." SRN news and ads for the Eastridge Mall. Local grade signal. New. (KR-AZ)
- 840 KSWB OR, Seaside 2/8 0858 Spanky and Our Gang song "Sunday Will Never Be The Same," top of hour ID and into news. KXNT ORM. (AB-CA)
- 990 KTMS <u>CA</u>, Santa Barbara was barreling in at 0800 at 1/26 with clear ID as "Santa Barbara's radio station, KTMS." Odd, no sign of KATD or XECL, so I suspect KTMS was on day power. Only ORM from CBW. (LG-MT)
- 1050 KDRK WA, Dishman 1/21 1930 numerous ID's and ads, C&W. (BN-CO)
- 1100 KZKL NM, Milan 1/25 heard on trip to Albuquerque with "Classic Country." Poor signal at 60 mi. distance. (BN-CO)
- 1110 KFAB NE, Omaha 2/6 2320 an IRS ad then into Art Bell. First time heard in a couple of months. A sign conditions are improving. (KR-AZ)
- 1190 KKOJ MN, Jackson 2/2 1834 local news, weather, ID, CNN business update. (NP-AB)
- 1220 WEZU MN, Stillwater 2/2 1833 "It's unforgettable, 12-20 WEZU," into nostalgia music. (NP-AB)
- 1230 KWG <u>CA</u>, Stockton in very nicely 2/6 2100 with plain ID and EWTN music logo. A quirk, since nothing else from the area was unusual. (PT-WA)
- 1240 KIUL KS, Garden City 2/3 0000 "You're listening to AM 1240 KIUL Garden City and AM 1310 KFLA Scott City," CBS news. After news, "KIUL/KFLA" ID during promo for sports coverage, then into ESPN. Only 2nd time heard, and still my only Kansas GY catch. (NP-AB)
 - KLTZ MT, Glasgow 2/5 0300 with "1240 KGLZ Glasgow" ID at top of hour. New for me. (MS-AB)
 - CKMK BC, Mackenzie 2/5 0800 with "550 CKPG" ID at top of hour. (MS-AB)
 - CJAR MB, The Pas 2/5 0900 with CFAR-590 Flin Flon and CJAR-1240 The Pas ID's at top of hour. (MS-AB)
- 1250 KEYT <u>CA</u>, Santa Barbara 2/5 0007 gal with KEYT ID, into local news, weather at 0009, "Voice of Santa Barbara" slogan, gone at 0010. (AB-CA)
- 1310 KLIX <u>ID</u>, Twin Falls 1/29 0030 Art Bell format and into ID as "We are Newsradio thirteen-ten KLIX." (BB-ID)
- 1320 KOZY MN, Grand Rapids 2/2 1810 ad for boat show in Grand Rapids, then "KOZY forecast." (NP-AB)
 - KFNZ <u>UT</u>, Salt Lake City 1/29 0024 spot for "Megafirm" and back to Sporting News Radio. (BB-ID)
 - KXRO <u>WA</u>, Aberdeen was buried deep in the jumble but I heard and taped a definite call ID at 1000 on 2/7. New. Thanks to Nancy J. for the tip. (LG-MT) (You're welcome, Larry.-- NJ)



The NRC Nighttime Antenna Pattern Book, 5th Edition is the perfect mate to the NRC AM Log, as the NPB provides DX'ers with up-to-date maps of all (except Class IV) stations with nighttime operations. Convenient to use: 3-hole punched for standard binders. Still only \$16.95 to U. S. and Canadian NRC / IRCA members; \$22.95 to U. S. and Canadian non-members. Airmail to NRC / IRCA members in Europe (except Italy): \$29.00. All others, please contact us for exact pricing. Order from:

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- 1330 KOVE <u>WY</u>, Lander 2/2 0100 s/off with SSB after "KOVE is locally owned and operated..." Unusual to hear a 2300 local time sign off. (BB-ID)
- 1340 KWXY <u>CA</u>, Cathedral City 2/5 1059 local ad for insurance company or agency, KWXY & KOXY-FM Cathderal City ID at 1100. CA #206. (AB-CA)
 - KYLT MT, Missoula 2/7 with "More music ---- on solid gold KYLT Missoula" ID at top of hour then into CNN news. New For me. (MS-AB)
 - KTSN NV, Elko 1/31 2300 sharing top spot with KGST. ID as "News Thirteen-Forty AM KTSN" and into USA network news. (BB-ID)
 - KGST WY, Jackson 1/31 2300 top of hour ID "KGST Jackson Hole, Wyoming." (BB-ID)
 - CIBQ AB, Brooks 2/7 0300 with 1340 CIBQ ID at top of hour. This surfaced on 4 different occasions. (MS-AB)
- 1360 KUIK OR, Hillsboro 2/7 0700 "KUIK Hillsboro-Portland." (BB-ID)
 - KKMO <u>WA</u>, Tacoma heard in Spanish (new to me) at 0755 on 1/31 with strong signal. Slogan sounded something like "Radio Cali," and announced call was "K-M-O." Program was not religious. (LG-MT)
 - +2/7 0500 mostly the dominant station on this frequency with SS Ranchers music into "Radio Sol...Tacoma." (BB-ID)
 - KRKK WY, Rock Springs 2/7 0400 something "America KRKK." (BB-ID)
- 1380 KQKD <u>SD</u>, Redfield 2/2 1823 finally! One of my most wanted, with country music and quick "KGIM and KQKD" ID through KOTA. (NP-AB)
- 1390 KJAM <u>SD</u>, Madison 2/2 1816 "Daylight Final" program, with SD news by woman, road report, weather, Madison ads, several ID's. (NP-AB)
- 1420 KGIM SD, Aberdeen 1/21 1810-1820 ID's as "KGIM and KQKD." (BN-CO)
- 1440 KRDZ CO, Wray 2/2 1910 "Dave's Dinner" oldies program, with inserted "14-40 KRDZ" ID. (NP-AB)
 - KPUR TX, Amarillo 2/2 1900 "KPUR, Amarillo's all sports radio leader 14-40 The Score, a Cumulus Station," then into ESPN. (NP-AB)
- 1450 KBFI <u>ID</u>, Bonners Ferry 2/7 0400 with "It's one o'clock and you're tuned coast to coast on --- talk on KBFI 1450 Bonners Ferry," then into ABC news. New for me. (MS-AB)
 - KVCK MT, Wolf Point 2/7 0500 with "The Wolf, 1450 KVCK Wolf Point" ID, then back to rock music. New for me. (MS-AB)
 - KBKW WA, Aberdeen 2/7 0000 with "Grays Harbor's original news -- KBKW Aberdeen" ID. Into ABC news. New for me. (MS-AB)
 - KCLX WA, Colfax 2/6 0900 with an announcement at top of hour that went "If you're hungry for real country, this is AM 1450 KCLX. This is real country KCLX Colfax, Colton and Moscow." Unable to get any more. New for me. (MS-AB)
 - KONP <u>WA</u>, Port Angeles 2/6 0200 "The news experts, all news radio KONP Port Angeles" ID at top of the hour. This one was dominant at the top of hour for four hours. (MS-AB)

NEW 2001 VERSION! The IRCA Mexican Log, 7th Edition

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. 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 2000 edition and carefully cross-checked by several IRCA members. **This is an indispensable reference for anyone who hears Mexican radio stations.** Size is 8 1/2" x 11" and three hole punched for easy binding. Prices: IRCA/NRC members - \$9.00 (US/Canada/Mexico/sea mail), \$10.00 (rest of the Americas airmail), \$10.50 (Europe/Asia airmail), \$11.00 (Australia/New Zealand airmail). Non-members: add \$2.50 to the above prices.

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- 1450 CKYR AB, Jasper 2/6 0600 "Greatest hits on YR Radio" ID at top of hour. YR Radio is the ID used by CJYR-970, of which CKYR is a repeater. First time heard since I moved from Fox Creek 4 years ago. (MS-AB)
- 1460 KKAQ MN, Thief River Falls 2/2 1821 ad for furniture store, ID "Your official station for today's hot new country and you all time favorites, KKAQ Thief River Falls." (NP-AB)
- 1470 KLBP MN, Brooklyn Park 2/2 1800 nostalgia music, ID "It's America's best music on AM 1400 KLBB St. Paul-Minneapolis and KLBP Brooklyn Park." (NP-AB)
- 1500 KABR NM, Alamo Community 2/5 0713 news read by a woman in Navajo. The story was about firefighters at a ranger station in the Lincoln National Forest.

 Program is underwritten by the Electric Co-op in Socorro. Then Navajo chanting. Rare. (KR-AZ)
- 1580 KGAL OR, Lebanon 1/27 0320 ID as "Talk of the Valley" and into Sporting News.
- 1600 KIVA NM, Albuquerque 2/5 0724 relaying the audio from NBC 4 in Albuquerque.

 The Today Show was on and then ID ad "Eyewitness Radio 4, KIVA." (KR-AZ)
- 1650 KBJD <u>CO</u>, Denver 1/28 0240 ID as "The Word in Praise, AM sixteen-fifty Denver, Boulder." (BB-ID)
- 1660 KAXW CA, Merced 1/28 0212 ID and into Sporting News Radio. (BB-ID)
- 1670 KNRO \underline{CA} , Redding 1/26 0305 "Community Calendar" PSA and into sports. (BB-ID)

UNIDS

- 1230 Utah station apparently at 0800 on 1/21. Call sounded like --YE and location, Brigham City, UT. Looped N-S. Only KJOS is listed in UT, though. (LG-MT)
- 1230 ID station, apparently, with s/on at 0800 on 1/22. Mentioned KOZE in Lewiston, which is on 950. I'm confused. (LG-MT)
- 1340 2/7 0000 with CBC Radio One ID at top of hour, then into CBC national news. The CBC's website only lists 4 Radio One transmitters on 1340, 4 in Ontario and 1 in Yellowknife. I suspect Yellowknife was the one as it's listed as being 2.5KW and is only 470 air miles from here. Pitty I didn't have the timer set for a longer period. (MS-AB)
- 1530 Religious station in Spanish under KFBK at 0800 on 2/7. At top of hour a man recited in English a long list of AM & FM stations in TX and CA, including KERB-600 which is listed as an affiliate of La Cadena Cristiana. I suspect this was KCLR-TX, which I've heard before. (LG-MT)

Don't forget that there is still time to enter the contest! Nancy 2/8 2100

CENTRAL DX ROUNDUP

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DOWN THE DIAL

590 KBHS AR, Hotsprings. 1-31 good to fair. 07:42 Jo De Mesina song ended, announcer with a real Cajun accent. Mentioned they were broadcasting from a live remote at a plumbing supply store in Hotsprings. [RCP-IN]

650 WNMT MN, Nashwauk. 2-2 fair to poor in WSM null. 17:48 with calls after MN PSAs, talk format. [JJR-WI]

730 WPIT PA, Pittsburgh. 2-2 fair, alone. 17:44 calls following spots. Rare. [JJR-WI]

760 WMEN TN, Knoxville. 1-31 very tough in partial WJR null. 07:59 with "You're listening to WMEN 7-60 Knoxville" followed by news. [RCP-IN]

800 KXIC IA, Iowa City. 1-31 briefly faded up in CKLW null. 18:22 with ID "You're listening to sports on KXIC." [RCP-IN]

820 WMGG FL, Largo. 2-9 fair over others. 07:23 with lively SS music, "La Mega" slogans. [JJR-WI]

860 KARS NM, Belen. 2-6. 21:00 with ID during country format. "8-60 on your radio dial, KARS. We're number one from the Heart of New Mexico." [NJ-MT]

1140 WBXR AL, Hazel Green. 1-30 very good, very little fading. WRVA barely heard. 17:25 religious talk show, "Leading The Way" with Bob Allen. [RCP-IN]

1180 WFGN SC, Gafney. 1-30 fair to poor mixing with WHAM and a Cuban. 17:41 with Black Gospel Music followed by a promo for "Brother Eddie....

Tomorrow at 7 AM." They mentioned "we leave you with a closing prayer." [RCP-IN]

1280 KAQQ WA, Spokane. 2-4 fair, KBNO nulled. 20:00 with "We are KAQQ Spokane" into CNN News. [NJ-MT]

1480 WSDS MI, Salem. 2-2 fair in fade up. 18:21 with weather "...on Classic Country AM 14-80." Rare! [JJR-WI]

1490 WESL IL, East St. Louis. 2-4 poor, faded up over mess. 21:58 with calls. [JJR-WI]

1580 WLIJ TN, Shelbyville. 2-9 fair over others. 07:14 with country music format and calls. [JJR-WI]

WWSJ MI, St. Johns. 2-9 alone. 07:44 with Urban Gospel format, calls. [JJR-WI]

1590 WTVB MI, Coldwater. 2-2 poor. 18:05 with ABC News, promo, spots. [JJR-WI]

DX TESTS

1240 WKDK SC, Newberry. 2-3 I tried for the test, very weak code heard twice during the first half hour. [RCP-IN]

25 YEARS AGO

February 19, 1977 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... Pitt McNeil of Washington, DC said he was 16 and started DXing after hearing TWR-800 on a little transistor radio ... Park Barton of Tuscaloosa, AL said he was back at the dials after 10 years away from DX ... Randy Tomer of Sonora, CA told about hearing Australia stations easily ... Bill Harang of San Jose, CA told about KDWN no longer airing the DXer Report.

OPEN MIKE

February is half over. This column was typed 2-9-02. 73, John



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0800see you all next week !!!!

DX WORLDWIDE – WEST / TROPICAL BAND DX

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More TA's to report this week. This time from **Nigel Pimblett** in Alberta, also some nice XE loggings from **John Bryant**.

TRANS-ATLANTIC DX ROUNDUP

NORWAY, Ingoy, NRK 0700 2/3. Time pips, news by a woman in NN. (NP-AB)

FRANCE, Allouis, 0400 2/3 in FF with time check as "cinq heure", then into news by a woman (NP-AB)

207 **ICELAND**, Eidar Rikisutvarpid 0403 2/3. Pop rock mx // with much stronger 189 khz. Long string of songs, inc some in EE, with no anmts. Unlike 189, this one is rare here. (NP-AB)

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PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 590 **MEXICO**, Rio Bravo, Tam. XEFD 2/3 0200. Noted in passing w/good signal and full ID and "La Consentida" slogan into Tejano mx. No sign of Rebelde, my usual dominant. (JB-OK)
- MEXICO, Guachachi, Chih. XETAR 2/1 0100, noted station in the phase null of WWL at 4:45 local time (1:10 before local sunset). Much of the time the signal was too poor to really copy. However, it peaked to clear audibility at 0101 for a call letter only s/off into choral NA. OC For two minutes after Anthem then left the air. Very pleased to catch this daytimer. It should be possible for anyone in the SW who can hear & null WWL by 0100. (JB-OK)
- MEXICO, Cd. Allende, Coah. XEVD 2/7 1201. Thanks to Randy Stewart's tip, finally IDed this as new on 1050, running 24 hours and using the slogan "La Radio Viva". Very difficult to separate signal from the co-channel XEG flamethrower. Peaks here in OK and MO around 0200 and 1200. Station appears to have moved from 1380. (JB-OK)
- 1130 **MEXICO**, Etchojoa, Son. XEETCH, 2/3 1300 S/on with unusual "banda" inst. version of MxNa and into a full ID by female 1301. In KWKH null. Fair level. As noted by Wilkins, this should be available to anyone in the SW and possibly NW who can lay a null of KWKH at 1300. (JB-OK)
- 1470 **MEXICO**, Mexico DF, XEAI 2/9 1200. Noted at about 1155 riding just atop the predawn jumble. Ran the choral version of the NA and then into call letter ID and slogan as "Radio Formula A" with the "A" given the EE pronounciation(eh). Fair level. (JB-OK)

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R C Watts, 4109 Graf Drive, Louisville, Kentucky 40220-3016 coloneldx@webty.net Squirrel again cut the cord holding my backyard antenna to a tree. Got it off the ground and up in a bush but will leave it as is 'til spring. No serious DXing as Col. XYL had a stay in the hospital and still not fully recovered, so I find myself doing dishes, washing clothes and that sort of stuff. Not in the best of health myself. WRVK-1460 (welcome to Renfro Valley, KY) was put on the air by John Lair, then owner of Renfro Valley, back in April, 1957. As of 1 January "the new" WRVK is back to playing bluegrass, classic country, country gospel and the like. Pete Stamper, Renfro Valley entertainer and off and on DJ, 1957-87 is the 600 AN morning man. Fellow entertainer, Betty Lou York, joins him later in the morning for talk. Afternoon DJs are Glen Harris and Kevin Roberts. Nice photo layout in February "Renfro Valley Bugle." Pete wrote a book "It all happened in Renfro Valley", published by U of KY Press, and produced an audio tape called "The fun and frolic of 60 years." Both are available from Country Music Store, Renfro Valley, KY 40473. I don't have the book but the tape is full of old country artists and even some radio stuff (studio ghost, etc). Not heard the station here in a long time. Good DX and 73, Col. DX. (RC, hope you and the missus get to feeling better soon.—rce)

Rick Evans, 7416 Hearthstone Way, Indianapolis, Indiana 46227-7215 Good to see some "old" names back in IRCA again. Nice card from **Herb Newberry, Jr.** of Newburn, Ga. letting me know that my mystery Fla. station from December was WTIR-1680 in Winter Garden, Fla. and mentioned that I should be able to hear it up here, although mixing with WINZ in Ada, Mich. I just took a look at my log here, and yes, I have heard WTIR up here in Indiana, but not WINZ yet. The interesting thing is that I have heard Ada down there about 35-40 miles north of Florida but not WTIR. The HQ is warming up, so I will be giving it a try in a few minutes after I get this off to Rich. Remember, the deadline for the anniversary issue is 3/10. I have already have two reports on hand. 73.

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